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Tobacco Prices On Local Market Higher Last Week

Over Quarter Million Pounds Sold at Auction—Daily Averages from \$21 to 29.03—Big Breaks Expected This Week—“Coops” Pleased With Amount Being “Pooled.”

More than a quarter-million pounds of the golden weed were sold on the Lumberton auction market last week and prices ranged higher than at any time since the market opened. The daily averages ranged from \$21 to \$29.03 the hundred. If the weather is favorable, it is expected that around a half-million pounds will be sold here this week.

Convict Escaped Gang Last Night

Floyd McEachern, Negro and Said to be a Trusty, Makes Second Escape—Serving Term for Robbing Freight Cars—Escapes Seem Rather Numerous.

Floyd McEachern, negro convict, escaped from the Robeson county chain gang last night. He was in the division of the “gang” stationed near the county home and was serving a two-year sentence for robbing freight cars at Buie. McEachern escaped one time before and was recaptured. He was a trusty, it is said.

Several long-term prisoners have escaped from the division of the “gang” stationed near Marietta during the last few weeks, it is said. It would seem that escapes from the Robeson county chain gang are altogether too numerous.

HE CAN PAY HIS WAY BACK.

Boy Who Walked to Robeson from Washington Has Made Some Money Growing Tobacco.

Thodore Regueline, a 19-year-old boy, who walked from Washington, D. C., to Lumberton last winter, has made some money in Robeson growing tobacco. He rented a tobacco farm from Mr. J. W. Barker of R. 7, Lumberton. He sold the last of his crop here Friday. While he had not figured out just what his 3 acres of the “weed” netted him, the prices he received ranged from \$27 to \$56 the hundred. It is not likely that he will walk when he returns to his home in Washington.

That Long and Said-to-be Deadly Cabbage Worm Again.

Mr. H. L. Wilcox, who lives on R. 4 from Lumberton, brought to The Robesonian office Saturday a white string like worm over 12 inches long that was found that morning by Mrs. Wilcox as she was preparing cabbage for cooking. This worm, owing to its color and exceeding attenuation can be detected only by the closest scrutiny. It is said to be deadly if it escapes detection and passes on in the cooked cabbage. Anyway, it is a customer that looks altogether undesirable for consumption, and close examination of cabbage before cooking is advisable.

Odd Fellows Picnic for Colored People September 2.

An Odd Fellows picnic for colored people will be held at Hilly Branch church September 2nd. There will be a debate and addresses will be delivered by Prof. A. W. Bethea of Dillon, S. C., Prof. Isley of Fairmont, Rev. Pecos of Elkton and others. Among the managers of the picnic are A. R. McKinley, McKinley Thompson, R. B. Bethea and H. P. Powell. The picnic will begin at 10 a. m. and “best behaviour” is expected.

Britts Road Bond Election Will be September 30.

Saturday, September 30, has been named as the date when Britts township will vote on a \$20,000 road bond issue. The election was ordered at the regular meeting of the board of county commissioners on August 7, but the date was not determined then.

Typhoid Vaccination Dates.

Dr. E. R. Hardin, county health officer, will be at the following places to vaccinate for typhoid fever: Tuesday, Aug. 22—Parkton 11 a. m., Jimmy Dial school house 4 p. m. Wednesday, Aug. 23—Rowland 11 a. m. Thursday, Aug. 24—Proctorville 8:30 p. m.

Lumberton-Maxton Road Grading Will Begin August 28

Paving Contractor Sub-lets Contract to Corporation Headed by A. E. White of Lumberton—Grading to be Completed in 200 Working Days and Will Cost Between \$40,000 and \$50,000.

Grading work on the 19.08 miles of road from the Maxton-Red Spring fork 3.3 miles west of Lumberton, just beyond McNeill's bridge, to Maxton will be begun Monday of next week by the Robeson Construction Co., a corporation composed of Messrs. A. E. White and Carlyle & Bullard of Lumberton, and organized for this particular purpose. Contract for the grading was sub-let Saturday to this corporation by Jas. O. Heyworth & Co., a big Chicago paving company to which contract for paying this road was let by the State Highway Commission June 28th last for \$588,625, the largest single contract that has been let by the commission, the rate being \$2.52 per square yard.

The grading work is estimated to cost between \$40,000 and \$50,000. The contract provides for completion of the grading work in 200 working days.

The Robeson Highway Construction Co. will begin work next Monday at Pembroke with 30 mules and grade toward Lumberton. When this end of the road is graded work will be begun on the Pembroke-Maxton end. Camp will be established near Pembroke on land belonging to Mr. S. McIntyre of Lumberton.

Wednesday Will Be Big Day at Maxton

Demonstration Training School at Carolina College All This Week—Big Barbecue Dinner August 23.

As has been mentioned in The Robesonian, a demonstration training school will be conducted at Carolina college, Maxton, this week, beginning today and running through Saturday. A strong faculty offering courses in various departments of Sunday school work, in missions and in Epworth league work has been secured. An interesting program for the entire week has been arranged—classroom work, lectures, organized recreation and play—a week brimful of instruction, inspiration and recreation.

A big rally and barbecue dinner will be given Wednesday. Invitations reading as follows have been issued: “The people of Maxton and vicinity urgently request the honor of your presence at the rally exercises and barbecue dinner given to friends of Carolina college Wednesday, August 23rd.”

500 Guardsmen Sent to Spencer

Tense Situation at Southern's Shops Causes Governor to Order Troops There to Maintain Order—Water Main Supplying Shops Blown Up.

Five hundred national guardsmen, the largest body of troops ever called out in a peace-time emergency in North Carolina, states the Raleigh News and Observer, were ordered by Governor Morrison Saturday to Spencer, East Spencer and Salisbury, where, according to representations of Southern railway officials and the sheriff of Rowan county, the situation brought about by the attempt of the railroad to man its big shops with non-union workmen is menacing. A Spencer dispatch of last night states that a 12-inch water main feeding water to the railway shops was blown up shortly after midnight Saturday night, shutting off the entire supply of water for engines. The main, apparently was blown up by dynamite inside the shop yards. A colored fireman was injured by the explosion. Other features of the strike situation as Spencer yesterday were an outbreak of promiscuous shooting a few hours after the explosion, closely followed by the burning of several box cars in the yards, and the arrival of 25 new employees.

Three Young White Men Charged With Stealing Car.

A Ford coupe stolen from Dr. H. T. Pope some three weeks ago, was found in a bay 2 1-2 miles north-east of Lumberton Saturday morning. Mr. Lon Edwards, who found the car, reported his find to Sheriff R. E. Lewis and the car was brought to town. Ed Bass, W. J. Kite and Croson Bryan, three young white men, who live here, were arrested Saturday in connection with the theft of the car. They made bond in the sum of \$500 each and will be given a preliminary hearing tomorrow. The car was taken from Dr. Pope's garage at night.

Dr. Poe Will Speak Here Saturday.

Editor of Progressive Farmer Will Deliver Address Here on Cooperative Marketing—Well Informed on This Important Subject.

Dr. Clarence Poe, editor of The Progressive Farmer, Raleigh, will speak at the court house in Lumberton Saturday of this week, Aug. 26, at 3 p. m. Dr. Poe is one of the best-informed men in agriculture and agricultural conditions in the South and no doubt will be heard by a large number of farmers and business men Saturday. Women and children are also invited to attend the meeting. Mr. J. A. Livingstone, director of the department of information of the North Carolina Cotton Growers Co-operative association, writes The Robesonian that the meeting here will be one of the most important to be held during the campaign for new members.

Dr. Poe has made a study of cooperative marketing of farm products for a number of years. He spent some time in Europe studying cooperative marketing and a few years ago wrote a book “How Farmers Co-operate and Make Money,” on the subject. Don't forget the date and hour and be on hand.

No Wrecked Plane Near Lumberton

Story in Today's Star About Airplane Wrecked Near Lumberton Appears “Fishy”—Nothing Can be Learned to Substantiate Story.

Nothing can be learned here to substantiate the story published in today's Wilmington Star about an “army D. H. 4” airplane being wrecked “2 miles south of Lumberton” Saturday, as related by lads who gave their names to The Star as Jack Lewis of Washington and Bruce Griffith of Atlanta. Messrs. J. E. Walters and K. Woody, local airmen, searched a radius of 10 miles south, south-east and south-west of Lumberton this morning and found no trace of a wrecked plane. They say that Saturday about noon two young men came to their field here and asked to be taken to Wilmington, but said they were broke and could not pay the price, that they came to Lumberton that morning from Charlotte in an auto with Mr. Hal Brown of Fairmont. One of them said he was from Washington. Later they were seen at Sessoms' store in East Lumberton, where they asked Dr. T. C. Johnson, as he was passing, to send them a jitney to take them to Wilmington.

The Star story says the young men were on their way “to enter the national airplane races at Los Angeles September 1-12” and that they purchased the “army D. H. 4” plane from the government. Messrs. Walters and Woody say no such races are scheduled and that an “army D. H. 4” cannot be purchased from the government. These and other discrepancies in the story cause the general conviction here that these young men dreamed a dream and told it to a Star reporter.

Boy Says Shooting Was Accidental

Negro Charged With Blowing His Sister's Head Off With Gun Says Gun Fell From Its Resting Place and Was Accidentally Discharged—Released Without Bond.

Otha McBryde, the 12-year-old negro boy who was placed in jail Thursday afternoon on the charge of shooting and killing his 14-year-old sister at St. Pauls Wednesday, was allowed to return home Friday. As was stated in Thursday's Robesonian, the young girl was shot and killed while she and her brother were in a room alone. The boy denies firing the gun, stating that it fell from where it was leaned against the wall and fired. The coroner's jury ordered that the boy be held for the proper court. No bond was required for his release, however.

HARDING ASSURED RAIL STRIKE PROBABLY END THIS WEEK

A Universal Service Washington dispatch of the 19th to the Charlotte Observer states that “President Harding was today assured that in all probability the shop strike will be over and the railroads functioning properly before the end of another week.”

—Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Thomas and Miss Bessie Huggins of Toccoa, Ga., and the former's son, Mr. Harold Thomas of Canton, N. Y., are guests at the home of their brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Huggins, Pine street. They are en route to Canton, N. Y., the home of Mr. Harold Thomas, from Toccoa, and stopped over here to visit relatives and on account of the condition of Mrs. Thomas, who became ill on the way and whose condition was found to be very serious. They will resume the trip as soon as her condition will permit, the trip being made in Mr. Harold Thomas' auto.

Government by Law Will be Sustained as President's Pledge

Declares That No “Small Minority” Will be Permitted by “Armed Lawlessness” or Otherwise to Override Interests of the Public.

Washington, Aug. 18. (Associated Press.)—President Harding laid the whole story of the rail and coal strikes before the American people today with a pledge that, whatever the cost, government by law will be sustained. Summing up before a joint session of Senate and House his efforts toward industrial peace, the President asserted that neither employers nor employees could escape responsibility for the present situation and that no “small minority” would be permitted by “armed lawlessness,” “conspiracy,” or “barbarity and butchery” to override the paramount interests of the public.

“We must reassert the doctrine that in this republic the first obligation and the first allegiance of every citizen, high or low, is to his government,” said the President. “No matter what clouds may gather, no matter what storms may ensue, no matter what hardships may attend or what sacrifice may be necessary, government by law must and will be sustained.”

“Wherefore, I am resolved to use all the power of the government to maintain transportation and to sustain the right of men to work.”

To Handle Coal Problem.

To strengthen the hand of the administration in dealing with present and future coal troubles, Mr. Harding asked for creation of a national agency to purchase, sell and distribute coal and for creation of a commission to inquire into “every phase of coal production, sale and distribution.”

No similar request was made for emergency rail legislation, the President asserting that, although the railroad labor board had inadequate authority, other agencies of the government were armed with statutes to prevent conspiracy against interstate commerce and to insure safety in railway operation.

“It is my purpose,” he continued, “to invoke these laws, civil and criminal, against all offenders alike.” One other legislative enactment, a law to permit the federal government to step in and protect aliens where state protection fails, was advocated by the chief executive as a result of what he termed the “butchery of human beings, wrought in madness” at Herrin, Ill. Despite the protests of foreign governments whose nationals suffered in the Herrin mine battle, he said, federal officials were powerless to take in hand the situation created by “the mockery of local inquiry and the failure of justice in Illinois.”

Members of the senate and house relieved the pronouncements of the President with repeated salvos of applause and the leaders of both branches announced later that no time would be lost in putting his legislative recommendations into effect. Generally the address won approval from all elements in Congress, although some democratic members were inclined to criticize the chief executive's utterances as capable of a double construction.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S RALLY.

Rally Held by 5 Young People from Toccoa at Gospel Tabernacle Closed Last Night—An Address on Safety First.

Reported for The Robesonian. The young People's rally which began Friday night at the Gospel Tabernacle closed last night. The rally was held by a party of 5 young people from Toccoa, Ga., chaperoned by Mrs. R. A. Forrest. The rally closed last night with special music and a sermon by Mr. Kelly Barnes, a Lumberton boy, one of the members of the party. Mr. Barnes is a son of Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Barnes of East Lumberton. Mr. Barnes used as his subject “Safety First” signs all around you. He has the Bible, which is the best “Safety First” sign made; then He has the church, the Sunday school teachers, the prayer meetings, and above all He has Himself to offer as a protector if you will only heed Him. Mr. Barnes closed his talk by saying that he recommended Jesus Christ to all that were unsaved.

Recorder's Court.

Tom Farham and W. J. Kite were found guilty of an affray by Assistant Recorder L. J. Britt Saturday, judgment being suspended upon payment of cost.

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Skipper Jr., and small son, C. B. 3rd, of Rosemary, arrived last night and will spend some time visiting at the home of Mr. Skipper's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Skipper Sr., Water street.

B. Y. P. U. Rally Was a Wonderful Success

Three Interesting and Inspiring Sessions Held at Associational Meeting in First Baptist Church Here—Twenty Unions Were Represented—Robeson is Best-Organized Association in State.

With approximately two hundred people present and twenty unions represented, the B. Y. P. U. rally of the Robeson association held here Wednesday at the First Baptist church, was a wonderful success. Three interesting and inspiring sessions were held.

Mr. Perry Morgan, state B. Y. P. U. secretary, of Raleigh, and Miss Leila Cobb, junior and intermediate B. Y. P. U. worker, of Gastonia, were present and added much to the success of the rally with inspiring addresses on B. Y. P. U. work.

The rally was opened with singing of several songs, Scripture lesson was read by Mr. Lee Prigden of the Pembroke union, after which Rev. Dr. C. H. Durham, pastor of the First Baptist church, led in prayer.

During the morning session addresses were delivered by Mr. Morgan, Miss Cobb and Dr. H. M. Baker, president of the Robeson association of unions. Roll call was made and reports made by the delegates representing the different unions. A violin solo given by Mrs. Robert McIntyre, with Miss Mary Lee Caldwell at the piano, added much to this session.

In the afternoon Mr. Morgan spoke on “How to Kill a B. Y. P. U. and How to Resurrect it”, Miss Cobb on “The Qualifications of a Junior B. Y. P. U. Leader”, after which a round-table discussion was held, conducted by Mr. Morgan. Miss Lillie Barker delighted the audience with a vocal solo, which was much enjoyed.

During the afternoon session several members of the Intermediate union, under the efficient leadership of Mrs. Robt. Belch, gave a delightful and inspiring demonstration in the Sunday school auditorium. Those taking part were: Misses Isabel McLeod, Amanda Allen, Elizabeth Shaw, Viola Edwards, Hazel Prevatt, De Leslie Tyner, Masters Empie Wishart and Henry Allen.

A delightful vocal solo was given by Miss Isabel McLeod. At the noon hour a sumptuous lunch was served, cafeteria style, in the ladies parlor of the church and at the conclusion of the afternoon session supper was served. There was an abundance at both “feeds”, plenty for all and then some, all present feasting to their entire satisfaction.

At the evening session Rev. E. F. Sullivan, pastor of the Baptist church at Maxton, and Mr. Morgan made addresses on B. Y. P. U. work.

The Robeson association has the distinction of being the best organized association in the state and good work is being done by the different unions composing the association, as was evidenced by the splendid reports made by the delegates.

It will be noted that “B. Y. P. U.” has two meanings—“Baptist Young People's Union” and “Be Your Pastor's Umbrella.”

A Ford coupe owned and driven by Mr. C. G. Townsend of Rowland and a Studebaker coupe owned and driven by Mr. J. H. Teggie of Lumberton collided on the hard-surfaced Wildcat highway between Lumberton and McNeill's bridge last night. Both cars were somewhat damaged, though both drivers escaped injury.

Mrs. D. H. Britt Sr., who lives near Back Swamp church, returned home this morning from Moore county, where she spent a week visiting relatives. She was met here by her husband.

DOG ORDINANCE.

Attention of dog owners is called to the following ordinance: “Every person who fails or refuses to list dogs for taxation with the tax-collector, shall be subject upon conviction to a fine of ten dollars. On payment of the tax upon dogs as set forth in this ordinance, the tax-collector shall deliver to owner of the dog a metal tag to be attached to the collar, and any and all dogs found running at large without such collar or tag, shall be declared a nuisance and killed. Any person who shall allow a dog or bitch to remain on his premises or lot without such a collar and tag, shall upon conviction be fined five dollars. Provided, this ordinance shall apply to any and all dogs found or brought within the corporate limits of the Town of Lumberton at any time during the year. Provided, the Mayor shall have the right to revoke any license when he is convinced that dogs are dangerous, or a menace.”

J. F. RUSSELL, Clerk and Treas.

COTTON MARKET

Middling cotton is quoted on the local market today at 21 3-4 cents the pound.

BRIEF ITEMS OF LOCALS NEWS

—The condition of Mr. Robert Belch, who has been ill for some three months, is somewhat improved.

—Miss Rachel McNamara returned Saturday from Boone, where she attended a State Normal summer school for teachers.

—The condition of Mr. J. M. McCallum, who is undergoing treatment in the Charlotte sanatorium, Charlotte, is reported as improving.

—Miss Amelia Linkhauer left Saturday for New York city, where she will spend 10 days buying fall and winter millinery for her store—the Style Shop.

—Mr. and Mrs. Troy McWhite began house-keeping Saturday in a residence belonging to Mr. A. W. McLean formerly occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Ira F. Davis, East Fifth street.

—Miss Josephine Breese left Saturday night for Baltimore and New York to purchase fall and winter stock for her millinery store. Miss Mary Rozier Norman has charge of the store during Miss Breese's absence.

—Rev. Paul T. Britt of Mt. Elin is a Lumberton visitor today. He has accepted a call to the pastorate of Person Street Baptist church, Fayetteville, and expects to move to Fayetteville with his family about November 1.

—The Mason Stock Co. will show under canvass here each evening this week. The tent has been erected on the McLean lot, opposite the municipal building. Al Williams and Dick Mason, both well-known here, are with the show.

—Miss Gussie Britt, daughter of Mr. D. H. Britt, Sr., of R. 3, Lumberton, left this morning for Wingate, where she is a member of the faculty of the Wingate high school. This is Miss Britt's third year as teacher in this school.

—Mrs. H. W. Bullard and small son, Master Barnes, who had been at the Baker sanatorium since Tuesday, returned Saturday to their home at Orrum. Master Barnes had his tonsils and adenoids removed while at the sanatorium and Mrs. Barnes remained with him.

—Mr. H. L. Pope arrived here Thursday night from Raleigh, where he held a position for several months. He has accepted a position in one of the leading drug stores in Asheville and expects to leave Wednesday of this week for that place. He expects to move his family to Asheville about September 15.

—Mrs. J. M. Hutchinson and two children, John Hafner and Jasper, arrived last week from Fort Mill, S. C., to join Mr. Hutchinson, who six weeks ago accepted a position as pharmacist in the North State drug store. They began house-keeping Thursday in a residence owned by Mr. D. P. Walters, North Elm street.

—Mr. and Mrs. Oliver F. Nance spent the week-end visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Barnes, near Back Swamp. Mr. Nance reports that the boll weevils are playing havoc with the cotton crop out Back Swamp way. He found 7 adult weevils in one cotton blossom on Mr. Barnes' farm. Mr. Barnes estimates that the weevils will get at least 50 percent of his crop.

—Messrs. J. W. C. and W. McC. Blue, A. R. Kelly and his two children, Master Floyd and Frank Kelly, of Moore county, spent Thursday in Lumberton. They came here to visit the local tobacco market. Before leaving they declared that Lumberton has a good market and that in their opinion tobacco is selling well. The rainy weather has not reached Moore county, they said, seasons being just right for growing crops.

—Rev. I. E. Wishart of Buffalo, Okla., who is visiting relatives in Robeson county, passed through town Friday en route to Wilmington, where yesterday morning he preached at Calvary Baptist church and yesterday evening at South Side Baptist. While in Wilmington he is a guest of a sister, Mrs. Mamie Warwick. Mr. Wishart was accompanied to town Friday morning by his father, Mr. A. S. Wishart, who lives near Lumberton, and the former's small son, Master Lowell.

STATE POULTRY SPECIALIST WILL VISIT ROBESON SOON.

Mr. Allen G. Oliver will be in County Week of August 29 to Assist in a Series of Calling Demonstrations.

Mr. Allen G. Oliver, State poultry specialist, will be in Robeson August 29th, 30th, 31st, and September 1st, for the purpose of assisting in giving a series of calling demonstrations. A special meeting and demonstration is being arranged for Lumberton, 29th, Lumber Bridge, 30th, Maxton 31st, and Rowland, Sept. 1st. The next issue of The Robesonian will carry the hours and places for these demonstrations. Those who have pure bred flocks should get in touch with Miss Andrews at once in order to arrange for special instruction in calling by Mr. Oliver.