

Gov. Morrison Com- ing to Lumberton

He and His Daughter Will Arrive from Raleigh Sunday and Will be Guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. W. McLean, Who Will Give Public New Year's Reception in Honor of the Governor Monday.

Governor Cameron Morrison and his daughter, little Miss Angelia, will arrive in Lumberton next Sunday morning from Raleigh to spend a few days here as guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. W. McLean at their home on Chestnut street. This will be the first time Lumberton has been honored by a visit from the Governor since he entered office.

Next Monday afternoon, New Year's Day, from 3 to 6 o'clock, Mr. and Mrs. McLean will hold a public reception at their home in honor of the Governor.

Robt. Wilkins, In- dian, Dies of Wound

Said to Have Been Shot by Proctor Locklear When Latter Was Dragged Out of House and Fired on Christmas Night.

Robert Wilkins, Indian, who lived in Burnt Swamp township, died at the Thompson hospital early this morning as a result of being shot on Christmas night. Wilkins was shot through one of his lungs and pneumonia set in. He was shot during a drunken row at the home of Donnie Locklear, it is said. Proctor Locklear, Indian, admits firing the shot that struck Wilkins, it is said. According to information gained here, Wilkins and several other men went to the home of Donnie Locklear, where Proctor was visiting, dragged Proctor out of the house and fired several shots at him. He returned the fire and a bullet from his pistol struck Wilkins.

County Coroner D. W. Biggs will conduct an inquest tomorrow and some arrests are expected to follow. Wilkins was about 30 years old and is survived by his second wife and 5 children.

Free Dental Clin- ics Next Week

Free dental clinics for white and Indian school children of the county will be held next week, beginning Monday and continuing through Saturday, at the office of Dr. E. R. Hardin, county health officer, in the court house.

White school children are requested to attend the clinics the first four days of the week, as Friday and Saturday will be given to the Indian school children. School children within a radius of eight to ten miles from Lumberton will be treated. A dentist from the State Board of Health will be present to do the work. Clinics will be held in other parts of the county at a later date.

25 PER CENT. MORE MAIL HANDLED IN LOCAL OFFICE

Under Serious Handicap Lumberton Postoffice Force Cleared With Extraordinary Dispatch Largest Holidays Mail in History of Office.

The amount of mail handled at the local postoffice just prior to Christmas this year was at least 25 per cent. larger than ever handled during the holidays before, according to employees at the office. Although the postoffice force was delayed one day on account of the fire early Thursday morning of last week, and had to work under difficulties after that time, all mail was distributed before the office was closed Sunday night.

Postmaster McGill and his assistants did extraordinary good work, under difficult conditions, in distributing the Christmas mail. The efficient manner in which the mails were handled is remarkable in view of the fact that water-soaked mail had to be moved Thursday to the third floor of the Lumberton Cotton Mills office building.

CURB MARKET WILL BE OPEN SATURDAY

By Martha Flax Andrews

Due to the fact that there was a mistake in the announcement regarding the curb market for last Saturday, it has been decided that we will have the market open for one hour on Saturday of this week, December 30th. The producers and consumers will please keep this in mind and be ready for work promptly at 10 o'clock Saturday morning.

Mr. J. L. Humphrey of the Saddle-tree section was among the visitors in town last Thursday.

Young White Man Carved Up by Negro

Mr. Billie Brooks Seriously Cut and Stabbed by Alex. Hickman at Boardman—Result of Argument About Time Made by Negro With Butters Lumber Co.—Mr. Brooks in Hospital, Negro in Jail.

Mr. Billie Brooks, a bookkeeper in the office of the Butters Lumber Co. at Boardman, was badly carved up by Alex. Hickman, a negro employed by the same company, on Friday evening of last week. Mr. Brooks suffered two 6-inch gashes in the face, his left ear was split open, four ugly gashes were cut in his back and he was stabbed just above the heart by the negro, who used a pocket-knife. The cutting took place in the office after an argument about the time Hickman had made.

Hickman was arrested and later placed in the Columbus county jail at Whiteville. Mr. Brooks, who is a young married man, was rushed to the Baker sanatorium, here, and his condition is reported as favorable.

INDIAN BOY AT PEMBROKE LOS- ES EYES AND FOUR FINGERS.

Woodrow Sampson Seriously Injured as Result of Playing With Dynamite Cap.

Fayetteville Observer, 26th. Woodrow Sampson, 9-year-old Indian boy suffered the loss of an eye and two fingers of both hands, when a dynamite cap which he was playing exploded. The accident occurred Sunday morning at the home of the boy's father, near Pembroke. The boy was brought to Fayetteville and is now at the Highsmith hospital. Though it is not expected to prove serious, the operation for the removal of the eye has not been performed yet on account of the low vitality of the patient, it was stated by Dr. Wm. S. Jordan, who is treating him.

COTTON GINNED IN ROBESON

44,750 Bales Ginned to December 19 as Compared With 61,770 Bales Ginned to Same Date Last Year.

Correspondence of The Robesonian, Lumber Bridge, Dec. 27.—There were 44,750 bales of cotton ginned in Robeson county prior to December 19, 1922, as compared with 61,770 bales ginned to December 19, 1921.

JUNIUS J. SHAW,
Special Agent.

Christmas Tree at Gospel Tabernacle. The Gospel Tabernacle was the scene of a beautiful Christmas tree and a well rendered program Christmas night. The program consisted of recitations, songs, dialogues and plays, all of which represented the birth of Christ.

Miss Carolyn Shooter, who had charge of training the children, with the assistance of Mrs. Eddie McNeill deserve special credit for the way in which they handled the children. Many were heard to remark that it was the best exercises of the kind they had ever witnessed.

A present and a bag of fruit was given to every member of the Sunday school.

—Mr. D. P. McKinnon of Rowland is a Lumberton visitor today. Mr. McKinnon expects to go Monday to Raleigh, where he will represent Robeson in the Lower House of the Legislature. He is only 26 years old and will be the youngest member of that body.

—Mr. J. M. Flowers and three sons—Herman, Leslie and Vernon and Mr. Henry New and two sons—James and Harvey—all had a close call this morning when they were caught under a falling pine tree. All escaped with slight scratches except Herman Flowers, who suffered a bad scalp wound and was brought to the Thompson hospital. The seven people who were struck by the tree were cutting wood near the Flowers home in Howellsville township and the tree fell in the opposite direction from that expected, as a result of the strong wind.

Miss Christine Walker of Roxboro arrived Tuesday night to visit Misses Hazel and Sarah Carlyle at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Carlyle, Fifth and Water streets. Dr. and Mrs. J. N. Britt and two children, Martha Ware and J. N. Jr., of Rochelle, Ga., arrived Monday and are visiting relatives here.

Mr. Joe E. Thompson returned Tuesday afternoon to his home in Wilmington after spending Christmas here at the home of his brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. L. T. Townsend, Second and Walnut streets.

Mr. John Bateman of St. Pauls was a Lumberton visitor yesterday. Mr. J. H. Johnson of R. 1, St. Pauls, was a Lumberton visitor yesterday. Mr. J. S. Scott of R. 1, Raynham, was a Lumberton visitor Friday.

Fairmont News

Wedding Bells—Pitman-Lewis Marriage—Dr. Hayes Leaves for Georgia to Claim His Bride—Mr. Leaman Brice Passes—Colored Girl Cut in Auto Accident—It Was one of the Best Christmas Days.

By H. V. Brown
Fairmont, Dec. 27.—Born, to Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Ashley, this morning, a daughter.

Marriages
A marriage of unusual interest to Fairmont people occurred last week in Savannah, Ga., when Miss Gray Pitman became the bride of Mr. David Lewis. The bride's home is in Oklahoma but she has visited relatives here on several different occasions and has numerous friends who learned of the marriage with much interest. The groom is a native of Columbus county and is well known here, also having many kinspeople and friends in this vicinity. The young couple are at home to their friends in Savannah, where Mr. Lewis holds a very important position.

Another marriage of very much interest will be solemnized on the 28th of this month at the home of the bride in Scotland, Georgia, Dr. Albert H. Hayes, a very prominent physician of this place, left for the Georgia town last night to claim as his bride Miss Ora Kemp. Dr. Hayes was accompanied by Mr. Thomas F. Baker who will take a prominent part in the ceremony, acting as best man. Miss Kemp was a member of the faculty of the Fairmont high school during last year, in the music department, and made many friends here, who will learn of her coming back to Fairmont to make her home with pleasure. After the ceremony the bridal party will spend a few days in the Southern States on their honeymoon and will be at home to their friends, in Fairmont, after January 5th, 1923.

Rumors, reports, and whisperings would lead a correspondent to believe that there will be other wedding bells in Fairmont during the holidays. "Nothing official has as yet been announced."

Mr. and Mrs. Fares Lewis of Wachulla, Florida, are spending some time here with friends and relatives.

Thrown Through Windshield
A young colored girl, daughter of Richard Bradshaw, suffered very painful cuts about the face and head last Sunday afternoon when the Ford in which she was riding came to an abrupt stop when it collided with the cement steps in front of their home. She was thrown through the windshield onto the hood and fender. She was given local medical attention and sent to Baker's sanatorium, Lumberton, for treatment; where fourteen stitches were necessary to close the ugly lacerations.

For the first time in many years Fairmont last Saturday had only two passenger trains coming into its limits. A derailment near Conway caused train No. 24 to be so late that it was annulled, consequently automatically annulling train No. 97, these two trains being the same ones that pass here at 8:40 and 9:52 a. m.

The handsome new store building being erected by H. Weinstein is nearing completion and will, when completed, be occupied by the Robeson Hardware Co., which is now occupying one of the Jones buildings.

One of the Best Christmas Days.
A few firecrackers, a small evidence of slight intoxication, and happy little ones, handshaking, renewing old acquaintances, made up one of the best Christmas days Fairmont has experienced in many years. A few serious cases of sickness marred the pleasures of some, but there has to be a little portion of bitter with the sweet to make up a lifetime.

Death of Mr. Leaman Brice.
Friends and relatives here were saddened to learn of the death of Mr. Leaman Brice, which occurred at his home in Wallace on Christmas day. Deceased was ill for some time with influenza, which developed pneumonia, the immediate cause of his death. He is survived by his widow and three children. Mrs. Brice was Miss Mattie Brown, daughter of Mr. W. C. Brown of Fairmont, and has hosts of friends here who sympathize with her in her loss. Deceased was well known here, being a brother to the late Clayton Brice and son of the late W. E. Brice, both of whom died here of the same disease in the epidemic a few years ago.

The condition of Mrs. B. W. Pittman, who underwent an operation at the home of her sister, Mrs. Mollie R. Baker's sanatorium, Lumberton, some few days ago, is slightly improved.

Mrs. Hybert Leggett, who has been seriously ill at her home on R. 2 from Fairmont, is reported as being slightly improved.
The quarterly conference of Robeson circuit was held here last Sat-

Post-Christmas Re- corder's Court Dock- et Not So Big

Folks Seem to Have Been on Their Good Behaviour—Several Cases Aired.

The after-Christmas recorder's court docket was smaller this year than usual, which would indicate that the folks generally were on their good behaviour. The following cases were disposed of Tuesday by Recorder W. B. Ivey:

David Reid Regan, drunk and disorderly; defendant failed to show up for trial.

Will Gore, colored, seduction; bound over to Superior court under a \$300 bond, in default of which he was remanded to jail.

Willie Nichols, colored, assault upon his wife; not guilty. Willie's wife was fined \$10 and cost for bringing frivolous and malicious action against her husband.

Charlie Williams, colored, assault upon his wife with a gun; fined \$10 and cost. Williams was found guilty of striking his wife with the butt of a gun on Christmas day, inflicting an ugly gash over her right eye. He was fined an additional \$5 and cost on the charge of being drunk and disorderly.

George White, Norman Shields, Talmon Monroe and Robt. White, all colored, plead guilty of the larceny of some small articles from the McLellan store after the fire on Thursday of last week. The negroes assisted in fighting the fire and took the goods after it was gotten under control. Judgment was continued.

FUNERAL OF HUSBAND 24 HOURS AFTER THAT OF WIFE

Mr. John Sellers of Mt. Elin Died Last Night Following Death of Wife Tuesday—Both Victims of Typhoid.

Mr. John H. Sellers of Mt. Elin died last night about 9 o'clock at the Baker Sanatorium. Mr. Sellers' death followed soon after that of his wife, who died Tuesday afternoon. The funeral will be conducted at 4 o'clock this afternoon, just 24 hours after that of Mrs. Sellers, by Rev. Paul T. Britt, and interment will be made in the family cemetery, near Barnesville. Deceased was 45 years old and is survived by 5 children. It is said that the death of Mr. and Mrs. Sellers resulted from typhoid fever.

Ruth McNair, Colored
Ruth McNair, 15-year-old daughter of J. H. McNair, colored, of Raft Swamp township, died yesterday. The cause of her death has not been learned.

Former Mayor of Mer Rouge Arrested on Charge of Murder.

BASTROP, La. Dec. 26.—The second arrest in connection with the Morehouse kidnaping of last August was made late today, when Dr. B. M. McKoin, until a few months ago mayor of Mer Rouge, was taken into custody at Baltimore at the request of Governor Parker, who charged him with murder. The physician was taking a post-graduate course at Johns Hopkins.

The former mayor is expected to reach here within a few days to join a former deputy sheriff, who is now being held on a similar charge in the Bastrop jail.

A Baltimore dispatch states that Dr. McKoin denied knowledge of the killing of the two men. "All I know," he declared, "is that both men who were killed were on the bad side—the side of bootleggers, gunmen and men who associated with negro women."

Watch-Night Services

Correspondence of The Robesonian.
Watch-night services will be held at the Gospel Tabernacle Sunday night, beginning at 9 and continuing until after 12 o'clock. Singing, prayer and testimony will be the order of the services. The public is invited to come and take part.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Woodell and Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Woodell of Dublin, Bladen county, were among the shoppers in town Friday.

Mr. J. O. Prevatt is returning today to Rocky Mount, where he holds a position with the Coast Line, after spending the holidays at his home on E. 3 from Lumberton. Mrs. Prevatt and their three children will leave Sunday to join Mr. Prevatt at Wilson, where they will make their home.

Mrs. Sallie McEae of Washington, D. C., who had been a guest at the home of her sister, Mrs. Mollie R. Norman, North Elm street, since last Friday, went yesterday to Fayetteville, where she will visit other relatives before returning home.

urday at the Methodist church. Presiding Elder Shore of Rockingham was present and filled the pulpit on Sunday morning.

Parkton Letter

Best Christmas Ever—Tree at Methodist and Christian Endeavor Program at Presbyterian—Many Visitors—A Great Fox Chase.
By C. D. Williamson

Parkton, Dec. 26.—Christmas has gone on record as the best in the history of our town, or so it seems to the writer. The ideal sunshine was appreciated by all, and that meant much to us, as the roads were passable, enabling all our guests to arrive.

The first thing was the Christmas tree at the Methodist church Saturday at 7:30 p. m., a beautiful tree, well laden with presents, church and tree beautifully decorated. The exercises by the Sunday school pupils were most appropriate and much enjoyed by all. The songs and recitations were well rendered. Meadames R. B. Hutson and Ed Gaitley, committee in charge, deserve much praise for their untiring efforts in training the children, especially as the weather was rough and there was much sickness during the past 2 weeks. After the various committees presented all the presents from the tree, oranges and apples were distributed to all present.

There was no preaching Sunday, owing to a misunderstanding by the new presiding elder.

A special program by the Christian Endeavorers at the Presbyterian church Sunday night was much enjoyed. A goodly number of the old members were here for Christmas and took part.

The union prayer-meeting meets this month at the Presbyterian church.

Among those from a distance here during Christmas were H. B. Culbreth from Chicago and A. M. Culbreth from Tarver, Ga., brothers who were reared here and have made good. They read The Robesonian and say they could not get along without it.

Mr. W. W. H. Proctor of Varena arrived Saturday to spend Christmas with his son Mr. D. C. Proctor.

Mr. L. L. McDonald, who holds a responsible position with the Coast Line at Norfolk, Va., and wife, and Mr. B. A. McDonald of Jacksonville, Fla., who is with the legal department of the Seaboard, spent Christmas with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. A. McDonald.

I feel that I should mention our own family reunion, which we enjoyed Sunday, as we plan every Christmas to have our children and grandchildren with us. This time was really more of a success and more enjoyed than ever, as every relative was present and in the best of health and spirits. The following were present: J. T. Williamson of Charlotte, J. Worth Williamson of Fairmont, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Pough of Irvington, O., Mr. and Mrs. Justin McNeill and children, Helen Marie and Justin Jr., of Lumberton, Marie McMillan of Troy, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. McMillan and little son Mack of Fayetteville, Mr. and Mrs. D. P. McMillan and small son Dan Jr. of Wade.

Mr. Collier Cobb and family left Friday for Homer, Ga. Mr. Yancy McCall and family of McColl, S. C., spent Christmas with home folks, also Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Stubbs and Mr. and Mrs. Angus Jernigan and little son of Fayetteville.

The following came home for the holidays: from Chapel Hill: Vance McGill, Phillip McNatt, Luther Thames, E. F. Williamson; from Davidson, W. J. Calhoun, Milton Thomasson, Jno. K. Currie; Mr. A. G. Wright of Winston-Salem; Miss Henrietta McMillan, who teaches at Lillington; Miss Margaret McMillan, from Burgaw; Misses Nellie Thomasson and Catherine McMillan from Flora Macdonald college.

Mr. J. D. McCall is out today after being confined for several weeks, also Mr. E. B. Daniel, who has been sick with flu. All the sick are on the mend.

Mr. Ertel Carlyle of Lumberton is a caller in our town tonight.

The most exciting fox chase we ever witnessed took place Saturday a. m. Eight or ten of us started out early, the ground a little crusty with the largest frost yet. We rode some 15 miles before a trail was struck. At 9 o'clock old roynard was on the go and he was kept in high gear until 10:30, and the capture was 8 or 10 miles from home. You never heard such running in all your life. We started with 25 wolf hounds and every dog in the immediate section joined in. It was a sight long to be remembered. The race Christmas morning did not last more than 40 minutes after the fox was jumped. No other pack in the State can equal this one.

Messrs. A. E. and M. D. Culbreth of the Parkton section were Lumberton visitors Friday.

Cotton Market

Reported by J. H. Harrington
Middling cotton is quoted on the local market today at 26 cents the pound; strict middling 26 3-4 cents.

Items of Local News

—The McLellan 5 and 10 cent store, which was burned Thursday of last week, will be reopened, according to Mr. E. J. Marlowe, manager.

—The condition of Mr. Alex. R. Phillips, who suffered a stroke of paralysis ten days ago, is reported as somewhat improved today.

—A turkey hen belonging to Mr. I. J. Flowers of R. 5, Lumberton, hatched 11 young turkeys on Christmas day. This hen "stole her nest" and set out to set some few weeks ago.

—The Lumberton graded and high schools, which closed on December 15 for the holidays, will open for the spring term on Tuesday of next week—January 2.

—Members of the Baraca class of the First Baptist Sunday school made it possible for Santa Claus to visit 62 children in and around Lumberton Sunday night.

—Members of the Lumberton post of the American Legion will have their annual dinner at the Goat club this evening at 6 o'clock. All members are invited to be present.

—Mr. Ben Blake yesterday deposited 2,200 pennies which he saved during the present year. That was not quite all the pennies which came into Mr. Blake's hands during the year, he said.

—Mr. W. R. Ivey, keeper of the county home, asks The Robesonian to thank the people of Lumberton who provided the bountiful Christmas dinner for the inmates of the home.

—Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Baxley will move next week from Buie to Raeford. They recently sold their house and lot at Buie to Miss Peels. Mr. Baxley was a Lumberton visitor Tuesday.

—Messrs. E. J. Britt, D. R. Shaw, Robt. A. McIntyre and Dr. M. A. Waddell of Lumberton and Mr. Craven Pittman of Barnesville went yesterday to New Bern to attend a Shrine meeting. The meeting takes place today.

—Mr. and Mrs. Guilon Lee are moving today from Lumberton to Goldsboro, where Mr. Lee holds a position in the office of the Enterprise-Whiteville Lumber Co. Mr. and Mrs. Lee have many friends here who will regret their decision to move to another town.

—Mr. and Mrs. E. Wheeler Stone of McDonald were Lumberton visitors yesterday. About two or three miles out from Lumberton they ran into a lively fox chase in which some fifty people and many dogs were taking part, and they mixed in the fun until the fox was caught.

—The fourth floor of the Baker sanatorium has been opened for patients. Fifteen beds are provided on this floor, bringing the total to 65. The increased number of beds was necessary to take care of patients, according to Dr. H. M. Baker, superintendent of the sanatorium.

—The following Lumberton people have contributed clothing to the sufferers of New Bern: Mrs. G. G. French, Miss Lillian Proctor, Messrs. A. Weinstein, I. L. McGill, J. P. Russell. Cash contributions of \$1 each have been turned over to the local Red Cross chapter by Meadames E. D. Pittman and J. H. Morrison.

—A three-room residence, occupied by Mr. Needham Conoley and family at the Dresden cotton mill village, was practically destroyed by fire about 8:30 Sunday night. Mr. Conoley saved part of his furniture. Mr. Bartow Jolly, who boarded with the Conoley family, lost three suits of clothes and \$45 in cash in the fire.

—The following Lumberton boys and girls who are in college, besides those mentioned in last Thursday's paper, are spending the holidays with home folks: Misses Margaret Durham, Mary Biggs, Annie Grace Williams, Marion Allen, Meredith college, Raleigh; Messrs. Stephen McIntyre, Jr., Beverly Biggs, William Caldwell, Hubert Thompson, Wake Forest; Marvin Barker, Robt. Allen, Jr., and Ingram Hedgpeth, Mars Hill; Knox Thompson, Carolina Military and Naval academy, Hendersonville.

—Climate unsurpassed on the globe did its prettiest Christmas day and night, and everybody hereabouts apparently enjoyed the occasion quietly until the glorious evening, when, in defiance of the ordinance made and provided by the town fathers, fireworks boomed and spouted and sizzled on the main thoroughfare of the town. In front of the Pastime theatre on Elm street seemed to be the favorite place of exhibition for quite a while, but the noise and display were not confined to any particular part of town and lasted at intervals until far into the night.