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## Superior Court

Several Divorces Granted, Many Cases Settled by Agreement, Non-Suited and Continued—Less Than Half a Dozen Jury Trials.

Several divorces granted, many cases settled voluntarily, and some more cases non-suited and continued, together with less than a half-dozen jury trials makes up the work of the Superior court in session now for the trial of civil cases, with Judge W. A. Devin of Oxford presiding.

A jury trial is attracting the attention of a few court attendants this morning, this case growing out of a note given to Bristol and Thompson of Fairmont by Mr. Aversett Addison of Orange, route 1, for money due for a premium on an insurance policy.

Joe L. Murphy was granted a divorce from Nettie Murphy, Alice Davis Adcox from M. D. Adcox, Lillie Wallace from George Irvin Wallace, Alice Davis Adcox was allowed custody of one child, Mattie Davis' case against Joe Davis was called, but on account of plaintiff not appearing the case was non-suited and the plaintiff taxed with the costs.

A. H. Graham lost his case against the Southern Iron and Steel Co. and was taxed with the costs.

Kesler Tolar, adm., was allowed a judgment of \$100 against Lacy McNair.

W. T. Herndon was allowed judgment against Sanders and Jenrette in the sum of \$250.

W. H. Murray was rendered a judgment against E. S. Walters, et al., in a case involving real estate.

## ANOTHER ROAD DEVIL HOUND GETS IN HIS DEVELISH WORK

Mr. J. W. Mahn Seriously Injured When Thrown from Buggy by Auto—Driver Speed Did Not Stop to Find Out Damage He Did.

Another "Road Devil Hound" operated last Sunday night on the Elizabethtown road. Mr. J. W. Mahn was seriously injured when violently thrown from the buggy in which he was riding as an automobile struck a rear wheel and tilted the buggy on its side. The driver of the auto did not even slacken speed.

After lying on the side of the road for some time, the injured man regained consciousness, managed to get to a near-by house and secured conveyance home. Physicians were summoned and found that one side of his face had been badly injured and several ribs were either badly cracked or he had suffered serious injury near the ribs.

Mr. Mahn could not describe the car or any of the occupants.

## Flora Macdonald College Finals

Red Springs, May 16.—Flora Macdonald college commencement begins Saturday at 5 p. m. with senior class day exercises in the Woodland theatre. Sunday at 11:15 a. m. the baccalaureate sermon will be preached in the college auditorium by Rev. J. E. Purcell of Wilmington, vespers services will be held in the Woodland theatre at 6:30. Concert Monday evening at 8, followed by alumnae banquet with Mrs. Pearl Johnson Poole of Lumberton, president of the General Alumnae association, acting as toastmistress. Tuesday, meeting of board of trustees, reception and exhibit in afternoon, and senior play at 8 p. m. Wednesday morning, graduating exercises at 10, and address by Dr. D. N. McLaughlin of Norfolk.

## TO ELECT COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS MAY 25th

Candidates Are Invited to Forward Application—Citizens Who Have Suggestions to Offer Will Be Heard by the Board.

The Robeson county board of education will meet at the court house in Lumberton Friday, May 25, at 10 a. m., for the purpose of electing a county superintendent of public instruction for a term of two years.

All candidates for this position are invited to forward their application to Mr. T. L. Johnson of Lumberton, acting chairman of the board. Any citizens who have suggestions to offer as to any candidate will be heard by the board on the date set for the election.

An act passed by the last General Assembly requires that public notice of election be given, and in compliance with the provisions of that act a notice is published elsewhere in this paper.

## TO NOMINATE ROBESON DIRECTOR FOR COTTON CO-OP.

Meeting Will Be Held in Court House Here at 2 P. M. 22nd.

At 2 p. m. next Tuesday, 22nd, members of the Cotton Co-operative association will meet in the court house in Lumberton to nominate two candidates for director for this district, which is composed of Robeson. Names of the two nominees will be sent to headquarters at Raleigh and one of the two will be chosen. Dr. G. M. Pate of Raynham is the present director.

## Liberty Closes Successful Year

Finals at Splendid Rural School in Alfordville Township—Consolidation of Hillside, McLeod, Moriah and Raemon—First Year in New Building—Address by President Wright of Teachers' College.

The last of the commencement exercises of the Liberty consolidated school were held in the handsome new building, which is located in Alfordville township, 9 miles from Maxton and 8 miles from Rowland, Tuesday morning.

A song by the high school opened the exercises, after which Mr. N. J. McRimmon, chairman of the board of trustees, in a very fitting manner introduced the speaker of the day, Mr. Robert H. Wright, president of East Carolina Teachers' college, Greenville.

"I was asked when I entered the building why I had driven 173 miles to a country commencement, to which I replied, 'I would rather drive 173 miles to a country commencement than to a city commencement', were the speaker's opening remarks. And in this connection he said that it was especially a pleasure to come to Liberty and see the progress being made within 6 miles of where he made his first mistake at teaching. Mr. Wright did not announce a subject for his speech but evidently had in mind a subject such as "Co-operation, An Enemy to Discord". As he said in the beginning, he talked to the grown people and not to the children, but he talked to the grown people about the children, and that drew the attention of the children.

Discord vs. Education. "The advance in the price of real estate in this community is due to the better type of civilization that lives here", declared the speaker, as he told in a very interesting way of the development and progress of the country schools. Especially did he mention the fact that discord would tear down the very principles of progress and keep, not only a community, but an entire nation in the deep ruts of barbarism, and would not help to keep pace with the better sections of the country, where there was no discord. In praising the people of the section of the Liberty school for their fine school building, a symbol of pride and hearty co-operation, he stated that he knew that there was some discord among some of the people, who declared that they just couldn't build a school house, the taxes would be so high they would be bankrupt. He then gave the comparison between the taxes paid for education, which was 61 per cent in the former and 2 per cent in the latter. "The taxation that is required to build a school is a business investment for the community", he said, "but the building cannot educate your child. It takes more than that. You must have qualified teachers."

Foreign Conditions.

During his talk on discord being a corruption to nations, Mr. Wright cited his hearers to conditions as they exist in Germany, France, Russia and the Near East, where children are raised with hatred in their hearts for enemies. At this point the important question of international relationship was brought out and he said it is not a political question but a cry of the children, who deserve it for their betterment, so they can live under better environments. The initials of the American expeditionary forces which won the war were and is "A. E. F.", but Mr. Wright has heard that "A. E. F." doesn't stand for anything other than "After Europe Failed."

Diplomas and Certificates

Following his speech, which was thoroughly enjoyed, "America" was sung, and Mr. Wright presented diplomas to the 2 graduates of the high school, Miss Maggie Mae McRimmon and Mr. James Smith. Prof. J. R. Poole, county superintendent of public instruction, presented to the members graduating from the grammar grades the 7th grade certificates, who were: Miss Vera Ray and Messrs. Neill Brown McCallum, Neill Williamson and Martin David McQueen.

Prizes

Following this the prizes offered by the principal, Miss Mary H. Stewart, were presented by Mr. Poole. The following received prizes for perfect attendance during the year: Misses Mildred McLean, Elizabeth McRimmon, Annie Mae Monroe, Bettie Jane Baker, Esther Gales, Bessie McRae, Delia McRimmon, Katie McLean, Margaret McLean, Ruby Fowler, and Master Archie McLean. Prizes for the greatest number of head marks received during the year were presented to Misses Mildred and Lois McLean, Mary Lula McRae and Master Sherwood McLean. A prize for the greatest improvement during the year was given to Miss Effie J. McLean. In the high school department the principal surprised the pupils by giving a prize, a set of books, to the pupil who had made the greatest improvement, which was Mr. Bruce McCallum, who did not know that any prize was to be given in the high school department.

The trustees of the Liberty consolidated school are Messrs. N. J. McRimmon, chairman, J. S. Monroe, Artemus McLean, Jim McPhaul and

## 53 Join Church as Result of Meeting At First Baptist

21 Persons Were Baptized Last Night by Dr. Durham and 32 Will Be Baptized Later—49 Young People Consecrate Their Lives to Special Service—Meeting Well Attended and Dr. Jester Preached Sermons of Great Power.

The revival meeting which had been in progress at the First Baptist church since May 14th came to a close with the service Tuesday evening and Dr. J. E. Jester, who did the preaching left yesterday morning for his home in Winston-Salem, where he is pastor of the First Baptist church. Much interest was manifested in the services, 53 joining the church, 43 for baptism and 10 by letter. The attendance was splendid at all the services, the lower floor being full at every service and many people attending from all parts of the county. Dr. Jester is a powerful preacher and will long be remembered here.

Twenty-one persons were baptized at the church last evening by the pastor; Dr. C. H. Durham, and 22 will be baptized later. At the conclusion of the morning service Sunday, 49 young people went forward at the invitation of Dr. Jester, signifying their desire to consecrate their lives to special service for God, to go wherever He may lead them or to do whatever He may want them to do, in the foreign fields or at home.

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## TOBACCO CO-OPS RE-ELECT NEARLY ALL DIRECTORS

Raleigh, May 15.—Re-electing 17 out of 22 of their directors, 89,000 tobacco growers through their elected delegates, cast an overwhelming vote of confidence in the management of the Tobacco Growers' Co-operative association, according to the final election returns confirmed at Raleigh headquarters today.

Every director from Virginia, from South Carolina and from eastern North Carolina who had labored with the association in its first successful year of growth was returned to office by the members from the three states.

The only changes which took place in the entire directorate were in the old belt of North Carolina where several of the directors expressed their desire to retire from the board because of pressure from other business interests.

A slight accident occurred this morning about 11:15 when two Ford touring cars collided at the intersection of Walnut and Ninth streets. According to eye witnesses, the Ford car driven by a colored man was going north on Walnut and the Ford driven by a white man turned into Walnut from Ninth at too great a speed to miss the other car. The names of the drivers could not be learned. A bursted tire, two bent fenders and jar constituted the damages.

Mr. John W. Smith of R. 5, Lumberton, was in town this morning.

Frank Sinclair, Mr. McLean, who had served faithfully on the board, died early Tuesday morning. These trustees have no doubt acted very wisely in their selection of Miss Mary H. Stewart as principal of the school, who had as her assistants during the past successful year Misses Alice Gattis and Mary Gluyas in the high school department and Misses Edith Brown, Mary Hogan and Lutie Alexander in the grammar grades. Miss Genevieve McCormick was the capable head of the music department.

Consolidated School

This wonderful rural school is the result of the consolidation of the Hillside, McLeod, Moriah and Raemon schools during the year 1922, and during the past year had enrolled 110 students, 41 of whom were members of the high school. This was the first year the big school had used the magnificent school building, which is brick structure with large class rooms and an excellent auditorium. Lights for the school are furnished by a lighting system which is located at the rear of the building.

Trucks Transport Pupils

Three trucks were used during the year for the transportation of the children, and were well driven and cared for by James Smith, Bruce McCallum and John Willard. A system used in the transportation is one of the best in the county and the drivers of these trucks have fulfilled their duties admirably, not an accident being reported against them, and according to the principal had their passengers at the school every morning in time for chapel exercises.

The commencement exercises began last Friday night when a play, "Home Acres" was given before a large crowd by the Junior and Senior classes; Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock the baccalaureate sermon was preached by Dr. C. G. Vardell, of Flora Macdonald college, Red Springs. Monday night the primary grades gave an operetta, "Cinderella in Flowerland" at the exercises Tuesday was "Aunt Becky", the well-known and much-admired correspondent of The Robesonian, and Prof. E. J. Green, president of Carolina college, Maxton.

## St. Paul News

Death of Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Duncan Regan—Mr. W. F. Hester: Claims Bride in Georgia—U. D. C. Meets—Lumber Company Installs New Machine—Personal.

By Bessie G. Johnson  
St. Paul, May 15.—Meadames G. R. Thagard and W. Alford McCormac entertained jointly the U. D. C. at the home of the latter last Monday afternoon. Quite a number of very enthusiastic members were present. After all business was dispensed with ice cream and cake, served by the hostesses proved a delightful feature of the social hour which followed.

The St. Paul Lumber Co. is preparing to install a moulding machine, which will add very much to the plant.

Several from here attended the funeral of the 8-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Duncan Regan, of near Regan's church, where the funeral took place Monday afternoon at 4 o'clock, death having occurred Sunday night, after an illness of intense suffering. Mrs. Regan prior to her marriage was Miss Katie Broadwell, sister of Mrs. L. H. Townsend.

Mr. W. F. Hester, one of our popular young attorneys, as well as owner and publisher of the St. Paul Review, was wedded to Miss Flonnie Almond of Atlanta, Ga., last Sunday, the marriage being a very quiet affair on account of illness of the bride's mother. That the young couple drove over to Decatur, Ga., where the "knot was tied" by Rev. D. P. McGeachy, D. D. Mr. Hester returned to St. Paul Monday night. Mrs. Hester will join him as soon as her mother's condition will permit. Mr. Hester has a wide circle of friends in St. Paul who wish him and his fair bride a life of happiness and will gladly welcome them in our midst.

Friends of Miss Margaret McGeachy are glad to have her return home for the summer, her school at Robelard having recently closed.

Miss Dura Holt of Columbia, S. C., arrived in St. Paul last Saturday for a visit to her aunt, Miss Sallie Hughes.

We gladly welcomed Miss Rosa L. Johnson of Fayetteville in our home last Sunday, where she spent the night.

Friends here regretted very much to learn last week of the death of Mrs. Florence Britt, which occurred at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Furman Biggs, the Britt family being former residents here.

Visitors at the home of Mr. J. F. Lockety last Saturday were Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Sanford and children from Vass and Mr. W. H. Maples of Durham.

Mrs. C. D. Pierce of South Jacksonville, Fla., arrived in town last week for a few weeks' visit among relatives.

Miss Alice Shaw, who was a patient for 3 weeks in a hospital in Fayetteville, has been at the home of her niece Mrs. A. A. McEachern in Fayetteville since Thursday of last week, where she will spend several days before returning home.

## BAKER HEIRS ARE BUSY

Two Wake County Claimants Visit Robeson Seeking Information—Two Jim Bakers Went from Robeson to California.

Messrs. D. A. and R. E. Baker of Holly Springs and Mr. J. E. Pearson of Apex were here Tuesday seeking information relative to the big fortune which has been reported left by one Jim Baker, who died a millionaire in California.

According to Mr. Pearson, who is an attorney of Apex, and who is representing the Messrs. Baker, there were two Jim Bakers, one who lived in Harnett county and moved from that county to Robeson and then to California, and the Jim Baker who moved from Robeson, the place of his rearing, to California. These men claim that they are the nephews of the Jim Baker that went from Harnett county to California, but that they are not related to the Baker that Messrs. W. H. Shooter and Ed Tyner are related to.

These men were directed here by the News & Observer of Raleigh in which an article was printed written by the Lumberton correspondent.

A letter has been received by the local correspondent of the Greensboro Daily News from a Mr. W. H. Baker of Roanoke, Va., who claims that he is a nephew of the Jim Baker who left the big fortune in California.

Raleigh, May 14.—Engaging a group of engineers, the lost provinces railroad commission set to work in earnest today to select the best route for the new road which it proposes to build with the \$10,000,000 bond issue authorized by the last general assembly.

A profitable and interesting meeting of the Robeson Co-op Marketing associations was held in the court house here Tuesday. A report of the meeting is held over till next issue.

**GASOLINE 25 CENTS**  
**Fuller's Service Station.**  
**Corner 2nd & Chestnut**

## Splendid District Missionary Meeting Held Here

Annual Meeting of Women's Societies of Rockingham District at Chestnut Street Methodist Church Best in Several Years—Laurinburg Next Meeting Place—County Districts Formed.

The annual meeting of the women's missionary societies of the Rockingham district, held at Chestnut Street Methodist church Tuesday night and yesterday, was, according to one who has attended the annual meetings for the past seven years, the best meeting held for several years.

Laurinburg, after a very hard fight with Hamlet and Troy, won the next meeting place by a vote of the meeting.

One of the most important features of the meeting was the sub-dividing of the Rockingham district into county districts, with the chairman of the district newly organized as follows: Hoke—Mrs. J. C. Thomas, Raeford; Montgomery—Mrs. Frank Hurley, Troy; Moore—Miss Floy Martin, Aberdeen; Richmond—Mrs. Webb, Rockingham; Robeson—Mrs. L. T. Townsend, Lumberton; Scotland—Mrs. E. Y. Jones, Laurinburg.

Honor guests attending included 3 members of the North Carolina Woman's conference—Meadames J. LeGrand Everett of Rockingham and Harvey Boney Rose Hill, and Miss Lillie Duke of Durham—one director of the Fayetteville district—Mrs. Emma Hunter, Miss Sallie Lou McKinnon of Maxton, a returned missionary from China, and the district director, Mrs. W. R. Royal of Laurinburg.

Fifty-seven delegates were registered from 14 churches of the district. A special musical program was rendered Tuesday evening, followed by a splendid address on China by Miss Sallie Lou McKinnon, who made a most interesting talk, opening the eyes of her audience to the progress being made by Chinese who are consecrating their lives to reforms in China along educational and religious lines.

## Special Music At St. Pauls Sunday

Orchestra, Choirs and Quartets—Speaking Too—Planning to Begin Work on Tabernacle at Parkton Soon—Personal.

By C. D. Williamson  
Parkton, May 15.—Rev. C. R. Sorrell and family left Monday for Kansas City, Mo., to attend the Southern Baptist convention. They probably will be away several weeks. The tabernacle committee met at R. B. Hutson's store on last night. Plans are being made to collect the subscriptions at once, so the work may begin in due time.

Bear in mind that the N. C. Sacred orchestra will meet at St. Paul on next Sunday p. m., the 20th, at 3 o'clock. The public invited. Music lovers of the entire section would do well to attend. Mr. Frank Gough of Lumberton will direct the music. Mrs. D. S. Currie, pianist. The choir of Chestnut Street Methodist church of Lumberton, also the male quartet, and the male quartet from the Baptist church, will sing. Some good spicy speeches will be heard by prominent speakers.

All the teachers have returned to their various homes, leaving many sad hearts.

Chas. M. Williamson left Saturday evening for Charlotte, where he has accepted a position with the Belmont pharmacy. Clyde Council and C. Gillis left Monday for Lake View, where they hold positions. Joe Blount, Wilton Moore and Lacy Armstrong left for Rocky Mount to work. We shall miss these noble young men and boys. We trust they may do well and prosper.

Phillip McNatt and Vance McNeill of Chapel Hill spent Tuesday night and Wednesday at home and to enjoy the commencement.

The many friends of Rev. J. L. Jenkins, former pastor of the Baptist church here, will be pleased to know that he will be here on next Sunday morning.

Miss Flax Andrews and Mrs. Justin McNeill of Lumberton are spending the day in town. If the ladies of this community fail to learn to make pretty flowers, etc., it is not Miss Andrews' fault.

Solicitor McNeill Will Investigate Robeson Jail and Prison Camps.

Solicitor T. A. McNeill has received a letter from Attorney-General James S. Manning requesting him to investigate the prison camps, jail, etc., of Robeson county and if any mistreatment be found to proceed with prosecutions necessary to break up any such treatment.

Mr. McNeill states that he has not heard of any mistreatment in this county by anyone, but that he will proceed immediately with a thorough investigation.

The editor acknowledges with thanks an invitation to the commencement exercises of Laurinburg high school from Mr. George W. Beverly, formerly of Lumberton, who is a member of the graduating class.

## Cotton Market

Reported by J. H. Barrington  
Middle cotton is quoted on the local market today at 25 1-2 cents the pound.

## Items of Local News

The banks of Lumberton will observe Monday, May 21st, Mecklenburg declaration day, as a holiday.

The Woman's club will meet at the club room next Monday at 4:30 p. m. A full attendance is desired.

License has been issued for the marriage of Miss Hannah Baldwin Townsend of Red Springs and Mr. Frank Durham Bell of Tuxedo.

Tomorrow night at 8 o'clock there will be a musical recital in the high school auditorium given by Miss Lelia Straghan's class in music.

Supt. Poole says that many teachers already are registering for the summer school at Carolina college at Maxton. It will open June 5th.

Mr. D. P. McKinnon of Rowland, who has been in Lumberton several days this week on legal business, says that paving work has begun in Rowland. Sidewalks and the principal business street are to be paved.

Miss Janie Carlyle and Mrs. M. A. Weiss left Tuesday night for Chicago, Ill., where they will attend the Christian Missionary Alliance council in session there. Mrs. Weiss will go from there to Harrisburg, Pa., to visit relatives before returning to Lumberton.

The Barber shop on Elm street which has been known as Bailey's barber shop for the past several months is now graced with a new name and will be in the future the Star Barber shop, with Mr. S. S. Small as proprietor, Mr. L. O. E. Bailey having sold his interest in the shop. Mr. Bailey will remain with the shop for the present.

Mr. H. E. Stacy and daughter, little Miss Rosa Lytch, returned yesterday from Hamlet, where they went Friday following the funeral of Mrs. Stacy and where they were guests at the home of Mr. Stacy's brother-in-law and sister, Dr. and Mrs. H. F. Kinsman. Rosa Lytch is staying with her aunt Mrs. Mollie R. Norment, North Elm street.

Greensboro Daily News: A. W. McLean, of Lumberton, prominent banker and well known authority on financial and economic affairs, will make the principal address at a banquet to be given at the O. Henry hotel at 7 o'clock, May 25, on the occasion of the annual meeting of the Carolina Motor club, it was announced by C. W. Roberts, secretary of the club.

Mr. W. K. Culbreth brought to the farmers meeting Tuesday some fine samples of Burr clover, 3 feet 3 inches tall. He has a quarter of an acre of it, thick as a carpet, on his farm in Raft Swamp township, on which hogs and cattle have been feeding and which he sowed 3 years ago. The tall samples of clover were pulled from fence corners where the cattle have not grazed. It seeds itself and makes a fine pasture.

## Barker-Ten Mile School Finals

Sermon Sunday, Exercises by Primary and Intermediate Grades. Next Monday Night and All-Day Program Next Tuesday.

Correspondence of The Robesonian.  
Lumberton, E. 1, May 15.—Following is the commencement program for Barker-Ten Mile high school:

Sunday May 20  
8 p. m. Baccalaureate Sermon—Rev. J. M. Page.  
Monday May 21  
8 p. m. Primary and Intermediate grades.

Tom Thumb Wedding—1st and 2nd grades.  
Play—Mid Summer Eve—3rd, 4th and 5th grades.  
Holiday Pageant—6th and 7th grades.  
Midgets Parade—1st and 2nd grades.

Tuesday May 22  
11 a. m. Chorus—Come Where the Lillies Bloom.  
Literary Address—Dr. R. C. Beaman.  
Piano Trio—Sleigh Ride—Annie Nell Powers, Vivian Powers and Jauneta Hart.  
Noon.  
2:30 p. m. Piano Duet—Fairy Dance—Dixie Townsend and Vivian Platt.—C. Bohm.

Recitation contest.  
Piano solo—Edith Jones.  
8 p. m. Chorus—Awake With the Lark—R. E. De Ruf.  
Graduating exercise.  
Salutary—John Powers.  
History—Edward M'White.  
Prophecy—Maie Townsend.  
Last Will and Testament—Ruth M'White.  
Valedictory—Edith Jones.  
Presentation of Diplomas—Supt. J. R. Poole.

Miss Ethel Covington, during the past year a member of the faculty of the St. Paul high school, passed through Lumberton yesterday afternoon from Fairmont, where she spent several days with friends, to her home in Rockingham.