

## Hubbard Lowrey Is In Extremis

**Pembroke Police Chief Who Was Shot Monday Has Very Little Chance of Recovery—Will Fred Locklear and Duckery Brooks Say Shooting Was in Self-Defense and They Hope Lowrey Will Die—Lowrey Capable and Fearless Officer.**

Hubbard Lowrey, Indian, chief of police of Pembroke, who was shot Monday about noon, is in a critical condition at the Baker sanatorium and there is not as much hope for his recovery as was expressed yesterday. Development of bad condition in the vicinity of his lungs and heart tends to lessen his chance for life. He is now in the crisis.

Will Fred Locklear and Duckery Brooks, Indians, are being held in the county jail following their arrest late Monday afternoon on the charge of the shooting. When Sheriff R. E. Lewis and deputies went to arrest them they were found at work in the field near the place of the shooting and did not offer resistance, claiming that they shot Lowrey in self-defense. After they were placed in jail they told Deputies A. H. Prevatt and A. R. Pittman that they hoped the would die.

According to eye witnesses, Lowrey drove his horse up in front of the house of Duckery Brooks and stated that he had come to collect unpaid state and county taxes. An argument began and Duckery told Will Fred Locklear, a boy whom he had raised, to go into the house and get a gun and kill Lowrey. Obeying his foster father, the young man went for the gun and upon returning opened fire on the officer, the load taking effect in his left side. On account of the fact that Lowrey had long before lost his right hand he is left-handed, and the effect of the wound kept him from hitting Locklear as he returned fire with his pistol. Lowrey got back into his buggy and started off toward the next house for aid, Locklear firing several more shots at him as he drove away. It is said that the young man's foster mother told him to run across the field and head him off and kill him. After reaching the home of Britton Locklear the wounded man was given medical attention by Dr. McLellan of Maxton, who sent him to Baker's sanatorium here.

In case Lowrey does not recover, Pembroke and that section of the county will lose a most valuable officer. He is an Indian who understands the Indian and his ways. He is a favorite among the white people of that section and has been very instrumental in the capture of many whiskey-stills that have been such a menace to that part of the county. He is a fearless officer and Sheriff Lewis states that it will be almost impossible to replace him if it becomes necessary to appoint another officer for that territory.

## Paving Assessments Approved

List Adopted as Official After a Few Corrections Were Made—Alley Proposed Between Second and Third Streets.

At a special meeting of the town commissioners held in the town hall Tuesday night, complaints and allegations were heard relative to the assessments made for paving.

A few corrections were made to the assessments, after which the board adopted the list as official. In some instances where real estate had been transferred to other than those assessed the corrections were made and the assessment made to the proper party.

Mr. K. M. Biggs was present at this meeting and laid a proposal before the board for the opening of an alley between Second and Third streets, between and parallel with Elm and Water streets. The matter was continued, but was evidently favored by the board.

Mr. J. Paul Lewis of Fairmont Wins County Checker Championship.

Mr. J. Paul Lewis of Fairmont was declared the champion checker player of Robeson county at a tourney held here yesterday. Those contesting were Messrs. A. B. Lawson, R. O. Edmund, A. E. Spivey, J. P. Lewis and A. B. Fisher and Dr. T. A. Norment. After the preliminary, Edmund, Lewis, Norment and Spivey entered into the finals, Norment and Spivey being eliminated and Edmund and Lewis playing with the following result: Lewis 1 D 1 0 0 1-3; Edmund 0 D 0 1 1 0-2.

The tournament was held in the building occupied by the McEschen Implement Co., and was witnessed by large crowds during the hours between 10 a. m. and 4:30 p. m. Mr. H. C. McNair, a former champion of the county, was unable to be present on account of sickness.

A dog belonging to Mr. A. P. McAllister was found dead on North Elm street Tuesday morning near a live wire which had broken and fallen to the street. The supposition is that the dog came in contact with the wire and was electrocuted, but according to information received from the electric department of the town the broken wire carried only 110 volts and was not one of the 2800 volt wires.

## Rural Letter Carriers Hold Profitable Meeting Here

**One of Best Meetings in History of Association Held at Court House Yesterday—C. D. Williamson and A. S. Pittman Re-elected President and Secretary—Address by Congressman Lyon.**

**MEETING TO FORM WELFARE COUNCIL TO BE HELD JUNE 31**

Congressman Homer L. Lyon of Whiteville delivered the address before the members of the Robeson County Rural Letter Carriers' association during the annual meeting held in the court house here yesterday.

President C. D. Williamson of Parkton called the meeting to order and after a few appropriate remarks introduced Mr. Lyon.

"Good roads would not have come to us as early as they have had it not been for the rural service," Congressman Lyon said as he praised the work of the rural carriers. He said that it takes a man to be a carrier, that no matter the weather—rain, snow or boiling sun—the carrier has to go, and that very few are as good and large number not nearly as good, men as the rural carriers. According to Mr. Lyon, there has not been a charge made against a man in the civil service in this district that would reflect upon his character and integrity. Only one removal has been made and he was not sure that it was justifiable.

Mr. Lyon said the president had asked him to talk "The Importance of Organization," and he told the carriers that it was absolutely essential for the carrying out of their plans, and told of how other people in different walks of life are getting what they want on account of organization. He told of the equipment bill which was introduced in Congress on December 9th, which if passed will give the carrier \$12 per year per mile in addition to his salary.

Carrier C. H. Howard of St. Paul, president of the State Rural Carriers' association and vice president of the National Rural Carriers' association, made a very interesting talk in which he said that too many of the carriers over the entire state and nation are satisfied with what they are getting and are not trying to get anything for their own betterment and the betterment of the civil service. He urged everyone present to join the association, if not already members.

A rising vote of thanks was given Mr. Lyon for his attendance and a like vote was cast for The Robesonian for co-operation given the association.

Messrs. I. L. McGill and J. C. Snoddy Jr., postmasters at Lumberton and Red Springs (respectively) were made honorary members of the association.

Definite steps were taken at this meeting for organization of a Welfare Council of Robeson county which will have as its members the rural letter carriers, postmasters and clerks. Mr. McGill was made chairman of a committee to notify all eligible of an organization meeting to be held in Lumberton June 21st at 8 o'clock p. m.

Among the carriers who made remarks during the meeting other than those above mentioned were Mr. E. B. Hayes of Fairmont, Mr. Frank Dunn of Lumber Bridge, M. N. H. Smith of Red Springs and Mr. A. S. Pittman of Lumberton.

Mr. C. D. Williamson of Parkton was re-elected president of the association, and Mr. A. S. Pittman of Lumberton was re-elected secretary-treasurer.

After the meeting dinner was served those attending at the Lorraine hotel.

This is generally conceded to have been one of the most profitable and interesting meetings the association has ever held, and carriers who failed to attend it are the losers.

After dinner at the hotel all members of the association were invited by the editor to be guests of The Robesonian during the afternoon at the Pastime theatre, and such of the carriers as could remain over accepted the invitation.

Yesterday was Congressman Lyon's busy day. He addressed the carriers of Columbus county at Chadbourn at 9 a. m. and after his speech here he left for Elizabethtown to address the carriers of Bladen at 1 p. m.

The following carriers were present: St. Paul—C. H. Howard, E. F. Parnell, J. M. O. Denmark; Orrum—A. J. Surles; Lumber Bridge—D. B. McDonald, F. B. Dunn; Rennett—D. L. McIntyre; Buie—J. A. Townsend; Marietta—J. J. Oliver; Parkton—C. D. Williamson, A. B. Williamson; Red Springs—N. G. Smith, N. A. Smith, G. I. Klarpp, T. E. Cope, J. C. Snoddy, Jr. (postmaster); Fairmont—E. B. Hayes, F. A. Floyd; Lumberton—Stinson Powell, A. S. Pittman, Hardy Munselwhite, J. B. Meares, C. D. West, W. R. Townsend, C. S. Smith, I. L. McGill (postmaster.)

The Business and Professional Woman's club will have its regular weekly "gym" exercises this evening at 8 o'clock at the tea room. All members are urged to be present.

## Parkton Letter

**Rev. V. G. Smith Installed Presbyterian Pastor at Special Services—Preparing for Glorious Fourth—"Gospel Train" to Sumter for Ham-Ramsey Meeting—Mr. Ham to Preach in Parkton—New Irish Potatoes.**

By C. D. Williamson

Parkton, May 29.—Special services at the Presbyterian church here Sunday morning. Rev. Sam Phillips, pastor of the Highland Presbyterian, Fayetteville, preached at 11 o'clock a very able sermon. At the close of the sermon the pastor, Rev. V. G. Smith, was installed. Rev. Fletcher Smith, brother of the pastor, also of Fayetteville, was present. Special anthem by the choir. Rev. Mr. Phillips also preached at 4 o'clock. Both services were well attended.

Miss Jordan, one of the high school teachers of Fayetteville, spent Sunday with Miss Georgia Williamson.

There was a committee meeting last night in regard to raising funds for the Fourth of July celebration. Something ahead for the committee to carry it over the top, but it has been done and can be done if everybody pulls together.

This scribe, also his brother A. B., were fortunate in having the pleasure of going on the special train Sunday morning to Sumter, S. C., with the Fayetteville delegation who attended the Ham-Ramsey revival which opened in Sumter Sunday. "The gospel train," as it was justly called, left Fayetteville at 7 o'clock Sunday morning, arrived at Parkton at 7:25 and never stopped any more until it arrived at Florence; thence to Sumter, arriving at 10:30. We were met at the depot by representatives of the city hotel and others. We were royally entertained while in that city of about 12,000 inhabitants. Heard Rev. M. F. Ham preach at 11:30 to the delight of that large delegation of near 200 from Fayetteville.

The Ham-Ramsey choir and orchestra of Fayetteville furnished the music for the services there Sunday, to the delight of the Sumter congregation. It was a most wonderful service. At the afternoon service a number of the business men of Fayetteville and laymen were called on for speeches, which was most heartily responded to. Much more could be said of the afternoon service but we rush on.

The writer has traveled and participated in various trips and excursions, but never did he have the privilege of riding on a "gospel train" before. Every passenger on board this train was a professed Christian. At 8:30 o'clock the men's prayer-meeting was held, conducted by Mr. Bain, Mayor of Goldsboro, which was most interesting, also the ladies on board held prayer-meeting in the adjoining coach. The other spare time was occupied in singing, while the orchestra played. It was unanimously said that the occasion was the most enjoyable day they ever spent in all their lives.

The writer was assured by Mr. Ham that he would come up while at Sumter some Monday and preach at Parkton for one service, which will be good news to this town and entire community. Read The Robesonian and keep posted.

Mr. S. M. Odom and small daughter, Mary, of Hamlet, are on a visit to relatives.

Jack Thompson says the fresh water baths of Rockfish beach are fine. He has tried it a number of times already, also several other youngsters, but this scribe is awaiting warmer days.

J. G. Hughes, one of our largest truck farmers, commenced digging Irish potatoes today. He has a large force of hands at work, and they are fine.

## ST. PAUL SCHOOL FINALS JUNE 1 TO 4

Senior Class Play Friday Night, Sermon Sunday and Graduating Exercises Monday Night.

By Bessie G. Johnson

St. Paul, May 29th.—The closing events of the St. Paul high school are as follows:

**School Finals**

Senior class play Friday evening, June 1st, as mentioned elsewhere. Baccalaureate sermon Sunday morning, June 3rd, in Methodist church, by Rev. V. G. Smith of Parkton.

Graduating exercises and presentation of diplomas Monday evening, June 4th, followed by an address by Dr. J. H. Highsmith, State inspector of high schools, Raleigh.

Washington, May 29.—Agreement was reached today between a group of leading cotton exporters and the Secretary of Agriculture on an arrangement for conducting the cotton export trade under the new cotton standards act which becomes effective August 1, requiring use of the official cotton standards of the United States in all transactions based on standards in interstate and foreign commerce.

**GASOLINE 25 CENTS**

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## Service The Key-note at Rowland High School Finals

**Delightful Commencement Exercises Held Tuesday—16 Graduates, 20 Step up to High School, and a Number of Medals and Prizes Were Given—Address by Dr. Shapiro of University.**

Delivery of diplomas to 16 graduates, of medals and prizes and of seventh-grade certificates to 20 pupils and an address by Dr. A. A. Shapiro, professor of Spanish at the university of North Carolina, were features of delightful final exercises of commencement of the high school at Rowland Tuesday morning. The stage was tastefully decorated and the auditorium was filled by an appreciative audience.

Diplomas were delivered by Senator L. R. Varner of Lumberton to the following graduates: Eva Dickinson, Opal McCallum, Sarah McCallum, Annie Mae Jordan, Annie Hammond, Margaret McCrek, Katie Tolar, Lottie Porter, Bessie Pleasants, Edna McPhaul, Mack Baker, George Bridgers, Ralph Brake, Madison Maness, Bruce McQueen, Worth Webster.

Medals and prizes were delivered by Mr. D. P. McKinnon, a young lawyer of Rowland, member of the last legislature and a former student in this school, to the following:

**High school recitation**—Reedy Moore Jordan.

**High school declamation**—John Howard Carper.

**Grammar school recitation**—Sarah Lee Bracey and Cromartie Lennon.

**Best Essay in junior and senior classes**—Alice Whitley.

**Best work in music**—Christine McLean.

**Prizes**

For most improvement during the year, \$5 each: 7th grade—Halleen Crawford; 8th grade—Gertrude Redfern; 9th grade—Elizabeth McCallum; 10th grade—Janie McPhail; 11th grade—Annie Mae Jordan.

**Best work in boys' society**, \$10—Jack Morrison.

**Largest number of headmarks in spelling**, pencil—Eva Dickinson.

**Best attendance record for year**, picture, given by Woman's club—senior class, presented by it to junior class.

Mr. McKinnon made the presentations gracefully. These rewards of merit should have wonderful value, he said, as an inspiration to go forward to greater victories.

The Graham McKinnon Memorial cup, a beautiful piece of silver, for making the highest average during the year, was won by Miss Sara McCallum and was presented by Mr. W. E. Lynch, another young attorney of Rowland, in a few appropriate words. "Back of this prize," he said, "is the life of a man who was dear to every one in this community, a man who labored to found this school. In memory of his noble life this cup is given to the one who proves worthiness by endeavor and efficiency."

**7th Grade Certificates**

In the absence of County Superintendent J. R. Poole, 7th-grade certificates were delivered by Prof. J. Frank Sinclair, principal of the school, to the following: Sara McKinnon, Wilburn Straughan, Archie McCormac, Ethel Williams, Louise McNeill, Newton Clegg, Mary Kate Webster, Sarah Faircloth, Archie Bracey, Vera Miller, Halleen Crawford, Lytch Hedgpath, Mary Louise McCormac, Richard Lennon, Reedy Williams, Marley Walters, Cecil Webster, Mary Stewart McCallum, Euphia Thompson, James Porter.

Supt. E. L. Veasey delivered certificates of award to the following pupils who were not absent or tardy during the year: Mary Kate Webster—she has not been tardy or absent during the past 7 years—Eva Dickinson, George Dickinson, Joseph Dickinson, William Faircloth, Mary Kate Faircloth, Mildred McArn, Elizabeth Faircloth, Frances Grahap, Richard Lennon.

The exercises were opened Tuesday at 11 a. m. with a piano quartet, "Sondo Villaggiois" (Dennee), by Misses Annie Mae Jordan, Margaret McLean, Minnie Jackson and Mary (Continued on page 8)

## REQUEST FREE RIGHT-OF-WAY ON ALL STATE HIGHWAY PROJECTS IN ROBESON COUNTY

Matter to be Considered at Regular Meeting of County Road Board Next Monday.

The request that rights-of-way for all State highway projects in Robeson county be furnished free of charge, and that all claims arising from said projects be handled by the county was presented to the Robeson county road commission at a special meeting held at the court house Monday afternoon.

Mr. W. L. Cohoon, attorney for the State Highway commission, and Mr. W. F. Morson, district engineer, appeared before the board in the matter. Action on the request was deferred until the next regular meeting, next Monday, June 4th.

Mr. and Mrs. S. McIntyre returned Tuesday morning from New Haven, Conn., where they spent several days with their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Stack.

## CLAUDE KITCHIN DIED AT 6:14 THIS MORNING

Congressman Claud Kitchin died this morning at 6:14 at a hospital in Wilson, where he had been undergoing treatment for stomach trouble for several weeks. The funeral will be held tomorrow afternoon at 5 o'clock at his home at Scotland Neck, according to a wire received this morning by Mr. A. W. McLean.

## Recorder's Court

**Wife Sues Husband for Non-Support—Unusual Judgment in Assault Case—Other Cases.**

Frank Walters, a man of many years who makes his living by repairing cook stoves, was indicted by his much younger wife for non-support and tried before Recorder Ivey Monday. It was a long-drawn-out trial with much evidence being offered and long speeches by the attorneys. Witnesses testified that Mrs. Walters had been thrown upon the aid of her kinspeople for something to eat and the defendant's witnesses testified that they knew of his sending provisions to her. Among these witnesses were Mr. Alex Sessoms of L. H. Caldwell's grocery department, who testified as to the amount of groceries sent to the woman and paid for by the man. The court ordered that Walters pay \$15 per month for the support of his wife. An appeal was taken by the defendant and he was required to give bond in the sum of \$300 for his appearance at July term of court. The defendant was represented by Mr. W. H. Kinlaw and Mr. L. J. Britt, while Mr. R. C. Lawrence assisted Solicitor F. Eitel Carlyle in the prosecution.

Bud Singletary was told by Recorder Ivey to make it a point not to face him any more for any violation of the automobile law, and was let off with costs in the case against him charging speeding.

W. V. Branch plead guilty to giving a worthless check, judgment being suspended upon payment of the costs and paying the check.

Jim McNeill plead guilty to disorderly conduct and an assault and was taxed with the costs.

A judgment somewhat out of the ordinary was rendered in the case charging Leonard Britt with assault, the recorder suspending judgment upon payment of costs in the case and provided the defendant pay the prosecuting witness' attorney fees.

W. V. Branch was again before the recorder Tuesday on an embezzlement charge and had his case continued until Monday morning of next week. Mr. S. P. Wilson of Fairmont, who recently took over the plant of the Fairmont Review, of which the defendant was sole owner and editor, claimed in his warrant that while Branch was in his employ he failed to turn over to him (Wilson) the sum of \$15.80 which Branch had collected for work done. Another warrant charging embezzlement against Branch was also sworn out by Mr. Wilson, who claims that Branch embezzled stationery valued at \$13.81 from him. Some of the evidence was heard Tuesday but the hearing will be continued Monday.

Had it not been for the fact that he had during the last few weeks married a young girl, John Rowland Lowrey, Indian, commonly known as "Whistling Rufus", would have received a greater sentence than \$25 and costs when he was found guilty of fornication and adultery by Recorder W. B. Ivey yesterday. The crime is said to have been committed prior to his marriage to the young girl. He is about 45 years of age and denies the charge. A warrant was issued for Liza Jane Locklear at the same time for the same crime, but she has not been apprehended. It was alleged that Lowrey and the Locklear woman had been living together as man and wife near Pembroke, the woman having a living husband.

## Jennings Now Model Mill Village

**Water and Sewer System Installed—The 80 Odd Houses of Village All Now Have Baths and Toilets.**

The Jennings cotton mill can now rightfully boast a model mill village, the installation of a private water and sewer system having been completed Tuesday.

Local plumbing contractor G. B. Kirkman was given the contract for all plumbing and installing the baths, toilets and sinks in the 80-odd houses of the village. The contract for laying the water and sewerage lines was given to Messrs. Tucker & Laxton, of Charlotte. Both contractors completed their work and turned on the private water Tuesday, much to the pleasure of the officials of the mill and the inhabitants of the village.

Mrs. E. V. McDaniel and daughter, Miss Annie Lee, of Fairmont, were Lumberton visitors Tuesday.

Mr. C. T. Davis of McDonald was a business visitor in Lumberton Tuesday.

## Cotton Market

Reported by J. H. Barrington

Middling cotton is quoted on the local market today at 25 cents the pound.

## Items of Local News

—There will be a regular meeting of the local post of the American Legion in its hall tonight at 8 o'clock.

—A barbecue for members of the Goat club will be held at the river-side club house this evening at 8 o'clock.

—Members of the American Legion and the American Legion auxiliary were out in full force yesterday selling poppies for the memory of the heroes of the World war, the proceeds of which goes to the help of tubercular patients at Oteen hospital.

—Mr. M. B. McCormick, who lives 4 miles from Rowland on E. 2 from that place, was a Lumberton visitor yesterday. He says a heavy rain fell at Rowland yesterday. Mr. McCormick says he has 65 acres of as fine oats as he ever saw. He also has 40 acres in tobacco, 36 acres in cotton and 130 acres in corn on a ten-horse farm.

—The time for the regular monthly meetings of the Woman's club has been changed from the first Wednesday to the first Monday. A social meeting will be held Monday afternoon of next week at the Goat club. Members will meet at 4 p. m. Monday at the tea room on East Fifth street and will be conveyed in autos to the Goat club.

## Play at St. Paul Night of June 1st.

**Dramatization of Tarkington Novel "Monsieur Beaucaire" to be Presented by High School Students.**

Correspondence of The Robesonian. St. Paul, May 29.—"Monsieur Beaucaire," a novel by Booth Tarkington, dramatized by Misses Margie Russell and Mary McLean of the high school faculty will be presented by students of the St. Paul high school in the auditorium Friday evening, June 1st, at 8:15 o'clock. Admission 50c and 20c.

**Cast of Characters:**

Monsieur Beaucaire—Elizabeth Hartman.

Duke of Winterset—Walter Watts.

Lady Mary Carlisle—Katherine Ayers.

Lady Rellerton, her aunt—Mary Johnson.

Mr. Moleynex—Harvey Kinlaw.

Marquis de Mirepox—Frank Johnson.

Comte de Beaujolais—Pearle Shaw.

Francois—Martin Howard.

Beau Nash—Rosalie Townsend.

Squire Bantison—Margaret Ayers.

Sir Hugh Guilford—John Evans.

Lady Arme Herrick—Polly Johnson.

Lady Elizabeth Townbrake—Annie Couch.

Lady Jane Rakell—Ila Johnson.

Beaucaire's Lockeyes—Martin Howard, Hugh Murray, Clarence Kinlaw, Brietz Lockey, Theodore Northrop, Edison Willis.

Winterset's Lackeys—Helen McGeachy, Lena Allen, Sarah McGeachy, Ma Mae Kinlaw, Ethel Fisher, Elizabeth McGeachy.

Link Boy—Dan Northrop.

Attendants.

Teachers of Local Graded and High Schools Who Will Return.

The following teachers of the local graded and high schools have been re-elected and will return next fall: High school—Miss Aileen Gramling, principal; Misses Nell Sutton, Elizabeth Peay, Ruth McEwen and Linda Newton, Mr. W. L. Haltiwanger; grammar grades—Misses Ada Edwards, Eva Oglesby, Vivian McNeill, Emma Lucas Ward, Evelina Beckwith, Dovie Prevatt, Kathryn Redwing, Winifred Rowland, Carolyn White, Pennie Rowland, Carolyn Shooter, Emma Norment, Onie Davis, Lillian Cook; music—Misses Evelyn Boyd and Lelia Straughan.

**Cumberland Man Acquitted of Charge of Murdering Son.**

Fayetteville, May 29.—Alexander M. Murchison was acquitted of the charge of murder in connection with the death of his son, Henry Murchison last October by a Superior court jury here late today.

The jury reached its conclusion that Murchison was not guilty after deliberating 25 minutes. The younger Murchison was shot by his father during an altercation at their home in Carver's Creek township. Attorneys for the defense contended that Henry Murchison was drunk and assaulted his father and that the older man was compelled to shoot him in self defense. The state contended that both men were intoxicated.

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