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Lumberton and Fairmont Markets Open With Strong Sales and Fair Prices

\$8,067 Pounds Tobacco Sold on Lumberton Market for \$16,830.24—Warehouses Taxed to Capacity—Fairmont Sold 81,318 Pounds for \$15,969.41—Many Buyers on Both Markets.

Lumberton's tobacco market for the auction sale of leaf tobacco opened yesterday with record-breaking sales and fair prices, the exact figures for the market being 88,067 pounds, which sold for \$16,830.24, an average of \$19.11.

Figures of accuracy for last year's opening sale are unobtainable today but estimates show that about 55,000 pounds were sold at an average of about \$15 per hundred.

Both the Banner and Star warehouses were taxed to their capacity, it being necessary to hold two sales in the Banner. Both houses were filled early in morning and streets to them were congested practically all day. The quality of the tobacco offered yesterday was very good and primings and lugs brought better prices according to grade than did the better grades. All the big companies were represented and many independent and smaller buyers were competitive bidders.

A large number of warehousemen from the Eastern Carolina markets were here as spectators, getting a line on prices and quality. If the quantity and quality of the tobacco increase on this market throughout the season Lumberton will rank among the leading markets of the South Carolina belt. Except one or two who suffer with chronic groutiness, those selling yesterday were very well pleased with the result. The warehousemen are exceptionally well pleased at the big sale yesterday and consider the opening a huge success.

Fairmont tobacco market opened yesterday with strong sales and sold 81,318 pounds for the sum of \$15,969.41 and average of \$19.63 per hundred, which in comparison to opening sales last year makes a good showing for the market there. On the opening last year Fairmont sold 64,848 pounds for \$7,896.53 or an average of \$14.40 per hundred.

Not only were the warehousemen and farmers pleased with the prices received but everybody seemed to consider the opening a success, and according to those familiar with the market and the condition of tobacco, the market will pass last season's sales, which were 5,179,022 pounds for \$796,331.54, or an average of \$15.38.

There was no congestion in the streets at Fairmont on account of the larger warehouses and apparently better-trained labor in unloading.

The better grades sold for good prices but not in accordance with the prices paid for the lugs and primings. This was also very true as to the Lumberton sales.

Fairmont Letter

Mrs. Nancy Lewis, 75, Suffers Broken Leg in a Fall—Negro Lodge Hall Burned—Personal Mention.

By Mrs. H. G. Inman.
Fairmont July 31—Sunday morning about 3 o'clock the old building which is used as a hall by the Grand Union lodge in negro quarters southeast of town was burned. Some of the negroes had furniture stored in the building which was not insured. The building was partially covered by insurance.

Mrs. Nancy Lewis had the misfortune last Monday afternoon to break her left leg just above the knee. She had gone into the back yard to feed the chickens and as she started to go back to the house her foot caught in a wire, tripping her. She was carried to Baker's sanatorium in Lumberton where she stayed until the following Monday, she being able to return home. Mrs. Lewis is 75 years of age and though the pain and heat at times seem almost unbearable, she is doing remarkably well.

Mr. Creech of the Red Springs Citizen spent Sunday in town.

Mrs. Wilbur McPhaul and sons, Masters Wilbur Jr. and Jack, of Charlotte, are visiting their mother and grandmother, Mrs. G. F. Grant, there.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Grant and children of Henderson are spending several days with Mr. Grant's mother, Mrs. W. B. Grantham.

Mr. Lonie Pittman, who attended summer school at Chadbourn, has returned home.

Mr. Mark Page of Barnesville, who is a member of the firm of Page Brothers of this city, spent Monday in town.

Rev. and Mrs. J. A. Lanier and children, Esther May, Frances and Margaret, left Tuesday for Harnett county, where they will visit Mr. Lanier's father. Next week Mr. Lanier will assist his brother in a series of meetings at Seaboard.

Miss Mantha Floyd, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Floyd, is in Bakers sanatorium.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Hubbard of Columbia are visiting their brother and sister-in-law Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Hubbard.

Mr. and Mrs. Fareese Lewis of Jacksonville Fla., have decided to make Fairmont their home. They are doing light housekeeping at the home of Mrs. Carolyn Jenkins.

Mr. Shelby of Laurinburg has accepted a position as bookkeeper with the First National Bank.

Mr. J. W. Harrison of Carrolton, Ky., spent the week-end with the family of Mr. J. D. Kyle Mr. Harrison was enroute to Loris, S. C., where he is interested in a warehouse.

Miss Carrie Jenkins has returned from Chadbourn, where she attended summer school.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde H. Webb of Pine Tops are spending three weeks in the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Pittman.

Mr. Robert E. Bullock and family of Marion, S. C., and Mr. T. W. Bullock and daughter of Lumberton spent Sunday with the Messrs. Bullock's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Bullock.

Miss Ethel Thompson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. I. Milton Thompson of route 1, is recuperating at Thompson hospital, Lumberton, from an attack of appendicitis.

Mrs. DeWitt Johnson, who has been visiting her mother, Mrs. Belle Baker, has joined her husband in Lynchburg, Va., where they will reside after moving from Asheville.

Miss Omega Stone of McDonalds spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Stone.

Miss Dalia Stanton and Mary Cook of Red Springs spent Sunday in the home of Miss Stanton's aunt Mrs. A. E. Floyd.

Advertising Campaign Proposed

No Definite Action Taken at Meeting Here Today—Robeson, Cumberland and Scotland Counties Represented at Meeting.

Members of the board of commissioners of Robeson, Cumberland and Scotland counties held a meeting here today about noon relative to an extensive advertising campaign to be carried on by the Eastern Carolina Chamber of Commerce, but no definite action was taken.

A committee of the board of commissioners of Hoke county failed to arrive in time for the meeting.

Robeson was represented at the meeting by Commissioner Claud B. Townsend and County Attorney E. J. Britt. Messrs. Blue and Buie of Laurinburg represented the Scotland commissioners, Mr. W. N. McCaskill and Dr. Walker, the latter clerk of the court of Cumberland, represented the Cumberland commissioners.

The secretary of the Eastern Carolina Chamber of Commerce, N. G. Bartlett of Kinston, and his assistant, Mr. Geo. B. Lay, were present at the meeting and Mr. Bartlett outlined the proposition which if completed would advertise every county in the eastern part of North Carolina to the rest of the world. Only one or two counties have refused to appropriate funds for this advertising. The decision of the Robeson county commissioners will be made at the regular meeting Monday.

INDIANS CHARGED WITH ASSAULT TO BE TRIED AUGUST 28

White Man Who Was Beaten Up is Recovering.

Willie and Jake Hammonds, Will Bell and Gus Deese, Indians, who were arrested last week charged with assaulting Mr. W. C. Courtney near Pembroke on the night of July 18th, and Ila Hammonds, Indian woman held as a witness in the affair, were released yesterday under bonds of \$1,000 each with the exception of Ila Hammonds, who gave a \$200 bond for their appearance before Recorder W. B. Ivey August 28th.

If the condition of the assaulted man continues to improve he will be able to attend the trial on that date. He has been in the Baker sanatorium since the beating and was for a few days considered in grave danger, but his condition is reported as very much improved.

CONTRACT LET FOR BUILDING FOR PROSPECT INDIAN SCHOOL

New Building Will Relieve Badly Congested Condition—Contract Price \$12,584.39.

A contract for the erection of a school building for Prospect Indian school, 4 miles west of Pembroke, was let Monday to Mr. L. A. Bell of Orum for \$12,584.39.

The specifications call for a building of wood containing seven classrooms and one auditorium. There are over 200 school children in the district and the new building will relieve a very badly congested condition.

The funds for the erection of the building are available from the appropriation made by the last Legislature.

Six Year Old Boy Burned To Death

Horace New Perished in Flames Which Destroyed Home in Barker-Tenmile Section—Father Saved 4 Other Children and Was Badly Burned.

FIRE STARTED FROM LANTERN.

Horace, 6-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. John Henry New of the Barker-Ten Mile section, was burned to death Tuesday night about 8 o'clock when fire destroyed the home, all the furniture and a lot of tobacco valued at \$600. Horace and four other children were sleeping when the fire was discovered. The father was able to save the other four children, but could not get to Horace as he was badly burned about the neck, arms and shoulder when he rescued the fourth.

Mr. and Mrs. New with two of the older children were sitting in the kitchen eating supper when they discovered flames bursting out of the other part of the house. Mr. N. immediately ran into the burning room and while dodging flames managed to get the four children out. The frantic screaming of the mother and other children and the roaring of the flames did not awaken the unfortunate boy. Had Mr. New gone back into the house after carrying out the fourth child it would have meant death for him. Not a word was heard from the one that perished. It is believed that he suffocated before he awoke.

The remains were gathered together after the house was left in ashes. Interment was made in the Howell cemetery near the burned home yesterday afternoon.

The building was a 6-room dwelling on the farm owned by Messrs. O. M. and W. S. Britt and was located about 1 mile from the Ten Mile church. It was valued at \$1500, with no insurance. Neither was there any insurance on the household goods or tobacco.

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Gen. Gouraud Will Be In Hamlet Aug. 6

Famous "Lion of the Argonne" Will Spend Hour in Hamlet Next Monday Morning.

Special to The Robesonian.
Hamlet, Aug. 2—General Gouraud, one of France's most famous generals known as the "Lion of the Argonne", who is touring this country under the auspices of the American Legion, will speak in Hamlet at 8 o'clock Monday morning of next week, August 6. This is the only place at which General Gouraud will stop between Atlanta and Richmond and preparations are being made for a great crowd and a great occasion.

The coming of General Gouraud to Hamlet is a great honor not only to this community but the entire State of North Carolina. It is hoped that everyone that can possibly be present to do him honor will be present for the ceremony between 8 and 8:30 o'clock Monday morning.

RELEASED UNDER \$500 BOND.

Tony Ward Will be Tried August 20 for Hitting Girl With Brick—Lily Britt's Condition Improving.

Tony Ward, who last Friday night threw a brick in the direction of a noise and hit Lily Britt, 8-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sanford Britt of East Lumberton, was released from jail today under a \$500 bond for his appearance before Recorder W. B. Ivey Monday, August 20th.

Willie Griffin, who was Ward's companion at the time, was also released under a bond of \$100.

When arrested Ward told officers that he threw the brick in the direction of what he thought was a cat playing in the weeds, admitting that he heard the little girl crying afterwards and saying that she had been shot.

The condition of the injured girl is gradually improving and it is thought she will be sufficiently recovered by the 20th to attend the trial.

St. Paul News

Missionary Basket Meeting Friday—Rev. Jas. J. Murray Will Preach at Presbyterian Church Sunday—Sidewalk Paving is Progressing—Personal Mention.

By Bessie G. Johnson.
St. Paul, July 31—The many friends of Mrs. G. T. Fisher were glad to have her return home last Thursday from Pittman hospital and to know she is much improved following several days treatment. Her daughter, Miss Clyde, who was sick when her mother returned, is now a patient in the hospital, having been taken to Fayetteville last Saturday. Her friends hope she may be able to return in a few days. Mr. D. S. McEachern is also undergoing treatment in a hospital in Richmond, Va., where he was taken last Saturday night. We hope he may return very much improved. Mrs. McEachern and little son, William Alexander, are visiting her people in Raeford while he is away. Mrs. McEachern and sister, Miss Blue, and Miss Maude Poole were in town a short while yesterday afternoon.

Mr. A. R. McEachern, who was home last week on business interests, returned to Jackson Springs Sunday morning accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Neill A. McEachern, who will spend several days with him and Mrs. McEachern at the Springs. Mr. Duncan McEachern, who spent the week-end there, returned home Sunday night, bringing his aunt, Mrs. Maggie L. McEachern of Fayetteville as far as Mr. Robert Monroe's, near Lumberton Bridge, where she will spend a while. She accompanied the McEacherns to Jackson Springs some two weeks previous. Mrs. McEachern in her letters spoke very complimentary of her trip to that part of the country, having been fed on the "best of the land" and entertained in a most delightful way.

The young folks are rolling in from the numerous summer schools, the following have arrived last week: Misses Belle and Annie Lou Johnson of St. Paul, R. F. D. arrived Wednesday afternoon from Wake Forest; Misses Lena and Ila Johnson, Aileen Bennett and Tommie Fisher from Raleigh; Mr. Marion Howard, from Boone; Mr. Fay Caudell and Miss Flossie Caudell from Wake Forest.

The "missionary basket" meeting will be held Friday afternoon at 4 o'clock in the grove back of the handsome new Baptist church. Ice cream will be sold, and all who wish may attend.

The many friends of Rev. James J. Murray were glad to have him arrive in town last Friday for several days' visit to his parents, Dr. and Mrs. E. C. Murray. The scores of friends of his former congregation will be delighted to note he will preach at the Presbyterian church next Sunday morning, announcement having been made to this effect last Sunday. Rev. Mr. Murray will possibly be here some 10 days or more.

Mr. Francis Northrop, who spent several weeks at White Lake, where he was a member of the orchestra, returned home Sunday where he will spend the remaining summer months. He was accompanied to St. Paul by his friend, a former school-mate, Mr. Spratt Moore, who spent Sunday night in the Northrop home, returning Monday morning to his home, Rock Hill. He was also a member of the orchestra.

Rev. and Mrs. Frank Hare of Jonesboro are expected in town tomorrow for a few days' visit among friends here. He being a former pastor of the Baptist church has many friends in St. Paul who will gladly welcome them. Instead of the usual mid-week prayer meeting the Baptist congregation will be glad to have Rev. Mr. Hare fill an appointment tomorrow night.

Mr. and Mrs. Duncan Malloy and children came over latter part of the week, where they spent several days and are now guests in the home of his sisters, Mesdames, Jas. A. Johnson and Sam M. Davis.

The sidewalks on Broad street have been beautified very much since the paving process has been finished. They are now on Armfield street, where the work, which is under the direction of Mr. J. R. Peany, is progressing nicely.

Mrs. Marcus Smith and son, Mr. Edwin, recently motored over to White Lake, where they visited Mr. and Mrs. Harry C. Moffit, the party going over to Lake Waccamaw in the afternoon. They enjoyed a few hours' recreation. Mrs. Moffit, who is related to Mrs. Smith, will be remembered by St. Paul friends as Miss Minnie Shaw, a former St. Paul girl. Mrs. Moffit's many friends will be glad to note she is planning to visit her people in and around St. Paul in the near future. Mr. Moffit was in town a few minutes last week, being in company with several gentlemen friends who were passing through.

Mr. W. H. Hasty of Maxton was a Lumberton business visitor today.

B.Y.P.U. Convention At Fairmont Was Great Occasion

26 Churches and 15 Unions Were Represented—A Fine Program Was Rendered and the Day Was a Great Success.

By Mrs. H. G. Inman.

Fairmont, July 31—The Robeson Association B. Y. P. U. in its 3rd annual convention was entertained by the Fairmont Baptist church Sunday, July 29th. Nearly 200 visitors registered representing 26 churches, there being 15 unions represented. We also had visitors from several different states—this was one of the great days of the Baptist church and especially for the B. Y. P. U. It gave all of us a better understanding in the work and will go toward making all the unions 100 per cent, also making the inactive unions active and organizing unions where there are none at present. The day was a great success and the members of the local B. Y. P. U. wish to thank the Ladies Aid society and other members of our church and the ladies of the other denominations for the help and hearty cooperation rendered toward making the dinner such a pronounced success. Rev. J. A. Lanier conducted the devotional exercises, after which Dr. H. M. Baker, county president of the B. Y. P. U. convention, called the meeting to order.

The address of welcome was given by Mr. Alford Mitchell Mr. Bedford M. Sibley of the First Baptist church Lumberton, gave the response.

At this time a mixed quartette of the Tar River association rendered a very beautiful selection, followed by an address, "The Call of The B. Y. P. U.," by the president, Dr. Baker. This address was very instructive, not only to B. Y. P. U. members but to all present. The message was far reaching and ably handled and we laud Dr. Baker on giving so much of his time and energy to this glorious cause of youth.

This address was to have been followed by an address by Mr. T. L. Johnson of Lumberton, but owing to impossibilities Mr. Johnson could not come. We missed a very great treat by his not coming. However, he was with us for the afternoon session. Music was furnished at this time by Zion Tabernacle. Next came a demonstration programme, "Loyalty To Christ In All Things At All Times," by the Fairmont intermediate union; B. Y. P. U. spirit song; prayer by Rev. J. A. Lanier; secretary's report by Miss India Rouse; "Bible Readers' Course" by Miss Lulabel Floyd; introduction by Mr. Pittman Fisher; "B. Y. P. U. Pledge" by Mr. Louis Pittman; "Loyalty to Christ and the New Testament" by Miss Virginia Floyd; "Loyalty in All Things" by Miss Flora Griffin; song, "Loyalty To Christ"; "Loyalty to the Training Service" by Mr. Bernice Shaw; "Loyalty to Privileges and Opportunities" by Miss Christine McDaniel; poem, "God's Best"; by Miss Edith Mitchell; "The Pledge and Standard of Excellence" by Miss Kathleen McDaniel; "How To Keep The Pledge" by Miss Kathleen Griffin. Miss Lilly Kyle gave a very interesting reading, "The House By The Side of The Road." Music was furnished by St. Pauls quartette, after which a nominating committee composed of Miss Christine Floyd, Mrs. Dudley Britt and Mr. B. M. Sibley was appointed.

This finishing the business for the morning session we adjourned to the grove opposite the cemetery, for a dinner, which was the most beautiful, most bountiful and most appetizing that it has ever been our pleasure to look and feast upon. After the crowd had gathered Rev. R. L. Byrd of St. Paul returned thanks.

The afternoon session was presided over by Mrs. H. M. Baker. The first business was a report from the nominating committee, which resulted in the reelection of Dr. Baker as county president with Mrs. Baker as vice president and Miss Agnes Ashley as secretary. A beautiful prayer was made by Rev. E. F. Sullivan of Maxton.

The topics for the Round Table discussion were as follows: Miss Agnes Ashley, "The 8-Point System"; Miss Lina Gough, "Being On Time"; Miss Dinabel Floyd, "Bible Reading"; Mr. Irvin Biggs discussed the same subject; Miss Mary Cook, "On The Program"; Mr. Ingram Hedgepeth, "Literature Paid for by B. Y. P. U."; Rev. E. F. Sullivan, "Study Course"; Miss Lois Hayes, "Attending church".

Mr. T. L. Johnson in a few well-chosen remarks introduced Dr. J. W. Lynch, the speaker of the afternoon. Dr. Lynch has recently accepted the professorship of Bible at Wake Forest college. He will move his family there from Athens, Ga.

Dr. Lynch took as his subject, "The Advantages of Early Youth," reading the 12th chapter of Ecclesiastes. He is a very forceful speaker, commanding the absolute attention of all under his voice. For about 40 minutes he brought out vividly the effect of youth on old age. He gave the hor-

Cotton Market

Reported by J. H. Barrington
Middling cotton is quoted on the local market today at 21 1-2 cents the pound.

Items of Local News

—During the month of July Register of Deeds M. W. Floyd issued 15 marriage licenses.

—There will be a meeting of the Robeson county pension board in the court house next Monday.

—Mr. Thomas Cottle left this morning for Winston-Salem where he has accepted a position with the Clayton & Hill Hardware company.

—Mr. Fred Scott, proprietor of the Scott's studio here, will open a branch studio in Laurinburg today, and will divide his time between the Lumberton and Laurinburg studios.

—The condition of Billie Hodges, little son of Mr. and Mrs. B. S. Hodges, who has been suffering for several days with tetanus at the Thompson hospital, is very much improved.

—Regular meeting of the local order I. O. O. F. tonight in the lodge rooms, Grand Master R. S. Curran of Greenville will be present. Refreshments will be served. Work in the initiatory degree.

—Mr. A. W. McLean left this morning for Wisconsin, where he will spend a few days vacation. For the past several months Mr. McLean has been touring the state, making addresses in many important towns.

—The G. U. O. of A. lodge for colored people will meet Friday night of this week. All members are urged to be present and a cordial welcome will be given visitors. W. B. Bethea is N. G. and James A. Gray is P. S.

—Messrs. E. A. Thompson, J. D. McLean, Howard Morrison and Lacy Barnes returned Monday night from Asheville, Waynesville and other Western North Carolina points where they spent a few days outing.

—Boll Weevils have been very active and destructive in the Renner section since the recent rains started, according to Messrs. F. W. Lindsay and J. C. Hardin, of Rennett R. 1, who were Lumberton visitors yesterday.

—Misses Lena and Freda Dunie and Esta Weinstein spent part of last week in Fayetteville, where they were honor guests at a home party given by Mrs. S. E. Sackhoff, who was before her marriage several months ago Miss Miriam Weinstein of Lumberton.

—Among those from Lumberton attending the funeral of Mr. William McMillan yesterday in Fayetteville were Mr. and Mrs. G. P. McMillan, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd McMillan, Mr. and Mrs. Hector McMillan and Mr. Edward McMillan. Deceased died suddenly Tuesday at his home while reading his Bible.

—Mr. T. L. Johnson expects to leave Saturday on a 10-days' vacation which he will spend in the western part of the State. He will go first to Hickory, where Mrs. Johnson and children are visiting at the home of her parents, and thence they will go to Asheville and other points in the mountains.

—Prof. E. E. Sentelle, former superintendent of the Lumberton graded and high schools, and son, Mr. Harris, were Lumberton visitors Tuesday and yesterday, leaving yesterday afternoon for their home at Tarboro. Mr. Sentelle is now superintendent of schools of Edgecombe county. They had been to Southport.

—Mr. Ira B. Townsend returned yesterday from Black Mountain, where he and Mrs. Townsend went last week to see the latter's brother, Mr. John F. French, who has been there for his health for some time. Mr. French's condition is not considered so favorable and Mrs. Townsend will stay with him for some time. Mr. and Mrs. A. E. White, who went to Black Mountain at the same time and are visiting other points in the mountains, are expected home early next week.

—Mr. C. D. Williamson, The Robesonian's well-known Parkton correspondent, and Mr. W. M. Merritt, also of Parkton, were Lumberton visitors yesterday, guests at the home of the former's son-in-law and daughter Mr. and Mrs. Justin McNeill. Mr. Williamson brought the editor one of the finest watermelons he has seen, of the Florida Favorite variety. Mr. Williamson said that the revival meeting which had been progress in the new tabernacle at Parkton for 4 weeks would close last night. Large crowds have attended the services.

—Dr. G. E. Moorehouse pastor of the Presbyterian church, wife and daughter, Miss Christabel, left yesterday morning for Sullivan's Island, S. C., where they will spend a month.

scope of years as follows:
"Tender" teens, teachable 20's, forcible 40's, doubtful 50's, Serious 60's and sacred 70's. The early years of life are easy for Christ, so enlist now while youth has full sway." After the address we were again invited back to the grove, where a feast of melons awaited us.

Everybody went home feeling that they were glad to have been with us.

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