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COUNTRY, GOD AND TRUTH.

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Local Schools Open With Largest Number in History

Crowd Filled Auditorium This Morning—Most Enthusiastic Opening—Supt. Crumpton Urges Organization of Parent-Teachers Association Lumberton's graded and high schools opened at 10 a. m. today with an estimated increased of 150 pupils. It was the largest and most enthusiastic opening in the history of the town. Many patrons were present at the opening exercises and the high school auditorium was packed to its capacity, both lower floor and gallery, a number of smaller children sitting on the rostrum.

FAIRMONT POLICEMEN DEPART "ALL OF A SUDDEN"

Messrs. Grady McCormick and Kelly Bass Succeeded, Departed Chief and Night Policeman.

Fairmont, Sept. 17.—A. Faircloth, chief of police of Fairmont, accompanied by H. A. Long, night policeman, and two Indian women who live near Fairmont, left all of a sudden a few nights ago for parts unknown, driving a new Ford sedan.

TEACHERAGE ENLARGED AND VERY MUCH IMPROVED

Four Bedrooms, Two Baths, Kitchen, Pantry and Screened In Porch Added and Dining Room Enlarged—Other Improvements Made.

GROUP MEETING OF DEMONSTRATION AGENTS HERE THURSDAY

Demonstrations in Grape Products Will be Given—Club Members Invited.

Record of Deaths

JOHN F. FRENCH PASSES.

Beloved Young Man Died at Black Mountain Friday Following Long Illness—Funeral Yesterday. One of Most Largely Attended Ever Held Here—Wonderful Tribute of Flowers.

One of the largest crowds that ever attended a funeral in Lumberton gathered yesterday to pay a last tribute of respect to Mr. John F. French, whose death at Black Mountain Friday following long illness, brought sorrow to his home community, where he was universally loved.

At the residence "Lead Kindly Light" and "Abide With Me" were sung, the closing song at the grave being "The Christian's Good-Night". The choir was composed of Mesdames E. E. Lewis and J. H. Felts, Miss Vivian Townsend, Miss Elizabeth Whitfield, Miss Aiken, Messrs. J. H. Teague, E. W. Dunham and W. W. Davis from Chestnut Street Methodist church and Mrs. Robert McIntyre of the First Baptist church.

The pallbearers were Mr. Joe Bridger of Bladenboro, Messrs. J. Dickson McLean, A. V. G. Wishart, Ira Bullard, Howard Morrison and J. S. Cox.

A touching incident at the residence was manifestation of love and grief on the part of a number of colored people, about twenty-five of them asking permission to view the remains and filing solemnly by the casket immediately after conclusion of the service at the house.

John Fuller French was the youngest son of the late Col. W. F. French of Lumberton and was 38 years old, having been born Dec. 23, 1885. He had been in poor health for two years and had spent most of that time away from Lumberton, the last few months having been spent at Black Mountain, where the end came at 4 a. m. Friday. His only sister, Mrs. Ira B. Townsend of Lumberton, had been with him for the past two months.

Messrs. Ira. B. Townsend, J. Dickson McLean and F. P. Gray went Friday to Black Mountain to accompany Mrs. Townsend and the remains to Lumberton, the funeral party reaching here Saturday night. News of the death reached Lumberton too late for a train and Messrs. Townsend, McLean and Gray had to go to Salisbury by auto, being accompanied to that place by Dr. R. S. Beaman.

HANDSOME BUNCH OF CHICKENS VISIT SEN. L. R. VARSER

33 of the Feathered Tribe Presented by Patrons of Laurel Institute.

Fayetteville, Sept. 14.—Charles B. McMillan, former mayor of Fayetteville, died this morning at the residence of his daughter, Mrs. Walter Smith, in Bennettsville, S. C. Mr. McMillan, who was for years one of the best known citizens of this community, went to Bennettsville recently to make his home with his daughter. He was eighty years of age.

Unknown Burned to Death Beneath Car He Had Just Stolen

Unidentified Thief Met Tragic End Near Maxton Saturday—Body So Badly Burned Even His Color Could Not be Determined—Car Belonged to Mr. Lucius Brown.

An unidentified thief met a tragic death Saturday near Maxton when the automobile which he had a few minutes before stolen from the street, where its owner, Mr. Lucius Brown, had left it, turned turtle and burned up, the thief being burned to death underneath.

HAD COCKED GUN IN POCKET.

Marshal M. Brewer of Fayetteville Arrested Here Yesterday for Carrying Concealed Weapon.

Marshal M. Brewer, a white man giving his home as Fayetteville, was arrested yesterday morning after Officer of Police D. M. Barker and Policeman Ed. Glover had been advised that he was carrying a concealed weapon. He was lodged in jail in default of bond.

FINISH GRADING TODAY ON LUMBERTON-MAXTON HIGHWAY

Hard-Surface Road Between Lumberton and Maxton Will be Ready in Side of a Month if There are No Delays.

FOR JAPANESE RELIEF.

- Mrs. Jno. C. Fuller, \$2.50
Christian Endeavor Society,
Shannon, \$11.05
Miss Laura H. Norment, 1.00
Piper's Class, 1st Baptist, 16.00
Men's Bible Class, 1st Baptist, 40.00
Baraca class, 1st Baptist, 17.50
Previously reported, \$92.80
Total, \$180.25

Fish Laws Are Not Observed

Inspector Finds That Practically None of the Laws Governing Fishing Are Being Observed—Several Nets and Seins Were Seized Last Week and Some Indictments Are Expected.

LUMBER BRIDGE SCHOOL OPENS WITH LARGEST ATTENDANCE.

Best Year in History of School Expected—All-Day Meeting of Women's Club 21st—Personal.

List of teachers is as follows: Prof. F. D. McLeod of Red Springs, superintendent; Miss Janie McGougan of Rennett and Miss Marie Griffin of Woodland, high school; Miss Annie McGougan of Quitman, Ga., 6th and 7th grades; Miss Mary Hammond of Rowland, 3rd 4th and 5th grades; Miss Henrietta Duncan of Lumberton, R. F. D., 1st and 2nd grades. Miss Lena Marley of Lumber Bridge has charge of the music department this year.

Gov. WALTON DEFIES KU KLUX.

Notified Muskogee Paper That He Will be in That City Today Despite Threat to Whip Him.

Mrs. J. M. Russell expects to leave this afternoon for his home in Atlanta, Ga., after spending several days here visiting relatives and friends.

Mr. B. M. Stephens of R. 4, Lumberton was in town Saturday.

St. Paul News

New Business House—Movements of the People.

Misses Florabel McGoogan and Murphy Hall, student and teacher at Flora Macdonald and Philadelphia, respectively, who were responsible for the music in the marriage Wednesday afternoon, returned that evening to resume their school work.

Gov. Walton defies Ku Klux.

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Cotton Market

Reported by J. H. Harrington.

Middling cotton today, local market, 27 3-4 cents.

Items of Local News

The Thursday Afternoon Book club will meet with Mrs. L. E. Varser Thursday afternoon at the Tea Room on Fifth street at 4 o'clock.

Regular communication of St. Alban's lodge No. 114, A. F. and A. M., Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock. Work in first degree.

Mr. Frank McLeod returned Thursday from St. Louis, Mo., where he spent a week selecting a car load of mules, which he purchased for the firm of C. M. Fuller & Son.

It has been reported that Barney Floyd, colored, who lives on the Elizabethtown road about 2 miles from town, can pick an average of 142 pounds of cotton a day despite his advanced age, which he claims to be 97 years.

Mr. H. A. Oliver of Marietta passed through Lumberton yesterday en-route to Durham, where he will resume his studies at Trinity college as a member of the Senior class. Mr. Oliver is editor-in-chief of the Trinity college publication "The Archive".

Dr. Allen Newberry of Warsaw was a business visitor in Lumberton last week. He is expected to return to Lumberton today and complete several options he secured on a number of town lots and other real estate in Lumberton.

Mrs. A. P. McAllister and son, Master A. P. Jr., returned Saturday from Chimney Rock and Hendersonville, where they spent several weeks. Mr. McAllister went Friday night to Charlotte, where he met them and returned with them Saturday morning.

Mr. A. W. McLean was guest of honor and principal speaker at a banquet given in Laurinburg Friday evening by the Scotland county Chamber of Commerce. Other Lumberton people who attended the banquet were Miss Alice Kelly, Messrs. J. Q. Beckwith, W. W. Davis, A. W. Meshaw and W. L. Ritter.

Colored Trio Arrested as Result of Wreck on Elm St.

Front Wheel of Ford Broken When Car Struck Lamp-post—Pint of Fire-Juice Found in the Car.

Monthly Meeting of County Cooperatives Tuesday.

As was mentioned in Thursday's Robesonian, Mr. R. E. Brackett, of the field service department, will be present to give any information the members may desire. This will be a regular business meeting and some very important matters will be handled.

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