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GOOD PRICES EXPECTED FOR TOBACCO ON LUMBERTON AND FAIRMONT MARKETS

Markets Open Here and at Fairmont August 10 with Bright Prospects—Expect Quarter Million Pounds in Lumberton on Opening Day—Estimated That Prices for Cigarette Tobacco Will Be Better Than Last Year.

SEVERAL CHANGES IN MANAGERSHIPS

Tobacco markets in Lumberton and Fairmont will open on Tuesday, August 10, the opening day for all markets in the South Carolina belt, with bright prospects for the biggest season in their history. While the crop is not so large as that of last year, the fact that the Tobacco Growers' Co-operative association will not open warehouses will mean that the auction warehouse will have more tobacco coming to their floors than was the case last year.



With His Father
The body of Robert Todd Lincoln 83, last of President Abraham Lincoln's immediate family, will soon be placed in the Lincoln tomb, near that of his illustrious father, at Springfield, Ill. He passed away while asleep in his summer home at Manchester, Vt., last week.

Road Commission Urges Completion Route 211

Want Work Rushed from Bladen County Line—Back Taxes to Be Distributed So That Road Board Receives Proportionate Part—Committee Appointed to Look into Chain Gang Operations.

SURVEY TO BE MADE OF NEW COUNTY BELT LINE

At the regular meeting of the county road board Monday it was ordered that the formal demand for back taxes collected by the county commissioners be distributed in such manner that the road board will receive a proportionate part of them.

On motion it was ordered that the route between Long Swamp and Gum Swamp in Smith's township for the new county belt line be changed from the original survey made by E. W. West to the present road.

At a joint meeting with the board of county commissioners regarding the wages of guards, keepers, etc., and other matters pertaining to the operation of the county chain gang for force, it was agreed that each board appoint a committee and meet and consider the changes. T. O. Evans and D. B. Lancaster were appointed members of the road board.

It was decided that an immediate request be forward to the State highway commission for laying out and rushing to completion route 211 from the Bladen county line to the intersection with route 20, east of Lumberton.

The following notes were renewed: St. Pauls Lumber Co. \$767.00 and \$294.44, B. F. Taylor Co. \$619.70, Planters Bank \$2,000, E. F. Craven Tractor note \$8185, M. J. McNair for road work in Smith's township \$150, H. A. Barnes, truck note, \$1,000.

Before the adjournment of the board, the matter of the route for the new county belt line was re-opened, and it was ordered that a survey be made from Long Swamp to Gum Swamp, the cost of the survey and other work to be paid by P. H. McArthur.

Georgia Tobacco Brings Good Prices

Waycross, Ga., Aug. 3.—Georgia's tobacco crop this year will prove a record breaker as to quality and price, it was indicated here today by initial prices on the opening of the tobacco market.

The price at the Farmers' Warehouse jumped from 8 to 26c in an hour after the opening and tobacco men asserted that higher prices will obtain as the quality of the tobacco improves.

J. A. Kersey, formerly of Virginia, in charge of the Farmers' Warehouse, said he had never seen a more promising outlook in the bright tobacco field.

Tifton, Ga., reported prices of 25c a pound, 25 per cent better than last year. Prices at Valdosta ranged from 22c to 33c and \$2,512 pounds were sold at Quitman for \$13,448.58.

Mr. W. P. Oliver of Marietta is in town today.

Messrs. E. J. Chambers and E. J. Davis, two of the best-known warehousemen of this section, who were Lumberton visitors Tuesday and yesterday, are also of the opinion that the crop this year will bring farmers as much money as last year's crop, and probably more.

FIRST OPEN COTTON IN ROBESON COUNTY

Open bolls of cotton were found yesterday, August 4, by Mr. John D. McMillan of Lumberton on his farm 4 miles east of Lumberton. That was all right, but less welcome news is the fact that he also found more weevils than he expected.

Tobacco and Route 211 Were Matters Featured At Kiwanis Meeting

Committee Named to Act With Others in Pushing Proposed Paving from Bladen County Line at Big Swamp to No. 20 Out of Lumberton.

TOBACCO MARKET UPPERMOST

Tobacco and the paving of Route 211 from the Bladen county line at the Big swamp to connect with Route 20 out of Lumberton were the serious subjects considered at the Kiwanis weekly luncheon meeting at the Lorraine Tuesday evening, and there were stunts besides. Mr. O. O. Dukes had charge of the program.

Lumberton-Clarkton Road. The interest manifested in the proposed paving of the Lumberton end of the Lumberton-Clarkton road was keen enough, when the matter was broached by President L. R. Varsler, to satisfy Senator O. L. Clark of Bladen, who, Mr. Varsler said, has thought that Lumberton was not interested. It is possible to get this road paved, Judge Varsler said, if the proper pressure is brought to bear. Already the road is being paved from Clarkton to the Balden-Robeson line at the Big Swamp. All agreed that this road is mighty important to Robeson county and Lumberton and that Lumberton wants to do and must do all that is necessary to get this stretch of highway paved. The upshot of the matter was that President Varsler, carrying out the purpose of a motion that passed unanimously, appointed Senator T. L. Johnson, former Senator Frank Gough, Solicitor T. A. McNeill, and Messrs. J. H. Felts and J. A. Sharpe a committee to go to Raleigh at such time as Senator O. L. Clark, chairman of the steering committee directs, with a committee of five from Bladen county and five named by the commissioners of Robeson to present the matter to the State Highway Commission. The five named for Robeson are Mayor E. M. Johnson, A. E. White, Q. T. Williams, E. J. Britt and W. G. Pittman.

Tobacco the Main Thing. Tobacco was the main walk and conversation of club members at this meeting, and warehousemen were guests of honor. Warehousemen present were: Messrs. Sam Watkins, Ira Bullard and W. S. Somers, from the Carlyle warehouse; Messrs. Geo. L. Thompson, W. M. Young and W. J. Ritter, from the Star; Mr. J. D. Perkins and Mr. L. P. Woody from the Big Banner.

Messrs. Perkins, Watkins and Young made brief talks. Each expressed appreciation for the interest and cooperation of Lumberton people and urged more united action. Mr. Young said that in many places the merchants devoted one afternoon a week during the tobacco season to canvassing for their market, traveling the country for 20 miles around. All expressed confidence in the outlook for a better market here than ever and in the prospect for good prices.

Push Is the Word. Mr. Sam Somers was the man who was voted to have said the best word when he and Dr. R. S. Beam, J. H. Johnson, Ertel Carlyle, J. H. Felts, R. S. Beam, L. R. Varsler, T. A. McNeill and a visitor, Mr. Pace of Durham, with A. E. White and Q. T. Williams to judge which of them could run down the room, sit on a chair, pick up a bag, blow it up and "bust" it with a noise, and get back to his starting place first. Mr. Felts beat the bunch. A New Member.

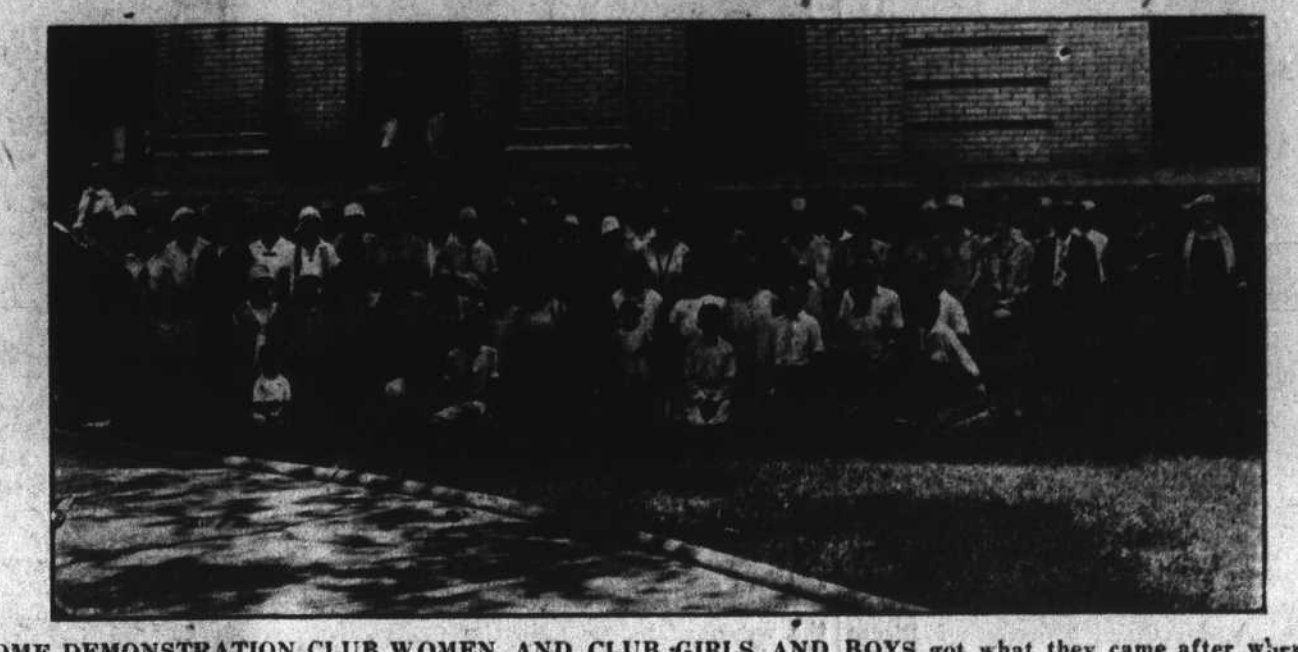
Mr. R. I. Walters, one of the managers of the Butters Lumber Co., now a citizen of Lumberton, was unanimously elected a member of the club, his application having been reported approved by the board of directors. President Varsler suggested that the

club secure a list of men who will give half a day a week to the tobacco market, and Solicitor McNeill made his annual suggestion that everybody in Bladen county will be at Bladen court next Monday and said he'd wind up his first speech to the jury by telling them to bring their tobacco to Lumberton.

Mr. John Felts had as his guest Mr. Pace of Durham, who presented each club member and guest with a package of Chesterfield cigarettes.

Three New Nash Sedans and Two Open Nash Cars for sale or exchange by C. M. FULLER & SON, Lumberton, N. C.

You Know The County Commissioners Goul'dn't Refuse These Folks,



HOME DEMONSTRATION CLUB WOMEN AND CLUB GIRLS AND BOYS got what they came after when they stormed the county commissioners in Lumberton Monday in demanding that Home Demonstration work be restored. They had their picture taken and called it a day.

Robeson County Branch Of Regional Chamber Seems To Be Assured

County Commissioners Vote to Appropriate \$1,000 For Full-Time Chamber of Commerce Secretary for Robeson If Towns Raised Their Quota.

THIS AMOUNT FOR ONE YEAR.

At their meeting Monday the county commissioners voted to appropriate \$1,000 for one year toward the fund of \$5,000 to support a Robeson county branch of the Eastern Carolina Chamber of Commerce, provided the various towns of the county raise the quotas assigned them at the recent meeting in Lumberton when the movement to secure a fund sufficient to provide a full-time secretary for a county branch was launched.

As has been stated in The Robesonian, Lumberton and Pembroke have raised their quotas and Mr. J. C. Lentz of St. Paul, county chairman, fully expects that the entire 500 memberships will be secured within the next week or ten days.

SURPRISE MARRIAGE AT McLEAN APARTMENTS

Miss Esther Willoughby of Lumberton Becomes Bride of Mr. Hughie Maples of Wadesboro.

A marriage to the surprise of their friends was that of Miss Esther Willoughby of Lumberton and Mr. Hughie Maples of Wadesboro, which took place at the McLean apartments yesterday morning at 6:30 o'clock, only a few intimate friends witnessing the ceremony.

Dr. C. H. Durham, pastor of the First Baptist church, officiated, using the beautiful ring ceremony. The wedding march from Lohengrin was used, with Mrs. N. E. Drum at the piano. Miss Bonnie Sessions, accompanied by Mrs. Drum on the piano, sang "To You," from Jarekie.

After the ceremony the couple left for Asheville, where they will spend their honeymoon. After August 15 they will be at home in Wadesboro.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. Amos Willoughby of Fairmont. She has been employed here by the Efrid Department store and L. H. Caldwell for some time and has made many friends in Lumberton who regret to see her moving to another town.

The groom is a prominent mill man of Wadesboro, being superintendent of one of the cotton mills there.

Watermelons and Canteloupes Being Shipped From Maxton.

(Special to The Robesonian.) Maxton, Aug. 5.—Canteloupes and watermelons are now being shipped from Maxton by truck, express and in car load lots. The crop was badly diminished by dry weather and the prices are only fair, but some of the farmers state that even under these conditions they will make a little money off these fruits. They bring some money to this part of the country at a time when money is badly needed, and a good hay crop follows.

Mr. Somers was handed a package by Mr. Dukes and was told to unwrap it and read, with the emphasis on the third word. It proved to be a bunch of tobacco, bearing the legend, "We are TOGETHER for a better tobacco market in Lumberton."

A little nonsense now and then, you know. Mr. Dukes called out T. L. Johnson, Ertel Carlyle, J. H. Felts, R. S. Beam, L. R. Varsler, T. A. McNeill and a visitor, Mr. Pace of Durham, with A. E. White and Q. T. Williams to judge which of them could run down the room, sit on a chair, pick up a bag, blow it up and "bust" it with a noise, and get back to his starting place first. Mr. Felts beat the bunch. A New Member.

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Home Demonstration Work Reinstated

County Commissioners Appropriate \$1200 Per Year to Work—Other Matters Before Board.

Home demonstration work suspended by the county commissioners at their regular monthly meeting in July, was reinstated by them Monday afternoon after they had heard speakers from the State department and from each home demonstration club in the county tell of its work and its need in Robeson county.

The women and club workers from all over the county came to Lumberton Monday morning, fifty strong, with adegree of talks, songs and yells, and the commissioners had to adjourn for dinner to catch their breath. They deferred action on the matter until the afternoon session, at which time they passed an order appropriating \$100 a month, or \$1200 per year, for the work during the ensuing year. No one has yet been employed to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mrs. Martha Flax Andrews Lawrence, who had held the office of county home demonstration agent for the past eight years.

John G. Hughes, County Auditor A. V. G. Wishart, the list taker of Red Springs township, and John T. McNeill (as appraiser) were appointed a committee to investigate the taxes of the Red Springs Cotton Mill Co. for the purpose of adjusting them.

W. G. Pittman and W. J. Council were appointed a committee to investigate the matter of employing guards for the county chain gang at the least possible cost to the county, with full power to act until the September meeting of the board.

J. H. McQueen was appointed cotton weigher and grader for the town of Rowland. He was required to file bond for the sum of \$500.

It was ordered that the board borrow the sum of \$1,200 from the Planters Bank & Trust Co. for a period of six months and the chairman and clerk of the board were authorized to execute the note.

Mrs. Norma West was placed on the Mother's aid list at \$15 per month, and Maggie Gilmore on the regular pauper list at \$5 per month.

The registrar of vital statistics for the first six months for 1926 were ordered paid.

Monthly reports of Dr. E. R. Hardin, county health officer, Miss Elizabeth Fry, county welfare officer, and the Planters Bank and Trust Co., county treasurer, were filed.

Great Union Tent Meeting In Rowland

Powerful Sermons of Evangelist Are Attracting Great Crowds—Next Sunday Last Day.

Correspondence of The Robesonian. Rowland, Aug. 4.—The union meeting in Rowland conducted under a tent which began July 25 is proving a great success. The powerful sermons of the evangelist are attracting great crowds. He preaches to men in the stores every morning at 9:30 and in the tent every evening at 8 o'clock. Next Sunday will be the closing day. The indications are that a real revival is being felt in the community.

The last day of the meeting will be marked by three sermons under the tent, 11 a. m., 3 p. m. to men and boys only and at 8 p. m.

Let all the people who can come and hear Dr. Thomas, who with great force is declaring the whole counsel of God.

Keith Vandeville Stars at Lake Waccamaw Tonight. Billy Burke and Nubby Brauer of Richmond, Va., formerly of Keith Vandeville, will be guests and entertain at the masquerade dance at Lake Waccamaw tonight (August 5).

Master Percy and Ertle Davis of Lumberton R. 4 were visitors in town Tuesday.

COME AND MEET YOUR FRIENDS AT THE BIG BANNER TUESDAY, AUG. 10th. PERKINS, WOODY & LEWIS

Many In Court For Giving Bogus Checks

Appears to Be Epidemic of Bad Checks—Woman Gives Collection Taken for Her to Husband Sentenced to Roads—Other Cases in Recorder's Court.

There appears to be an epidemic of bad checks in Lumberton at this time, there being six cases of this nature in the Lumberton recorder's court this week. Ed. Johnson, colored, indicted on three charges of giving worthless checks, was required to pay the amount of the checks and the costs in the cases. Lettie Thompson, colored, W. F. Bryan and Mike Ingram were required to pay the amounts of the checks and costs in their cases on the same charge.

Ben Freeman and Art Speights, convicted of vagrancy, were sentenced to 60 days on the roads. A collection was taken for Freeman's wife and his three children, none of the latter of whom appeared to be more than six years of age, and his wife turned the money over to her husband. Out of the kindness of his heart, Mr. A. Sprivey purchased groceries for the family after the faithful wife had placed her husband before her own self and her children.

John Ryan and Dick Cartaret were each fined \$25 and costs on charges of being drunk and disorderly. Charlie Smith and Estiea Butler were convicted of disorderly conduct, the woman was given until this morning to get out of town and Smith was fined with the costs in the case. The woman gave Brunswick county as her home, stating that she came to Lumberton on the bus Tuesday afternoon. She has been married to a man in Hamlet, whom she left. The girl admitted her crime to town officers but stated on the stand yesterday morning that she told them what she did because they had frightened her. She and Smith were arrested by Policeman Vance McGill Tuesday night, and she spent the night in jail.

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Big A. and P. Truck Goes Through Bridge

Standing in Lumber River at Campbell's Bridge, Near Maxton, with Water up to Top of Truck—One of Two Occupants Slightly Injured.

(Special to The Robesonian.) Maxton, Aug. 5.—A big A. and P. truck in crossing Lumber River at Campbell's bridge last night went through the bridge, tearing it all to pieces. The truck was a closed one and loaded to the top with A. and P. groceries. It is standing in the water, which is up to the top of the truck. Two persons were in the truck whose names are unknown. One man was slightly injured. This truck and another were on the way from Maxton to Raeford and the drivers had inquired the way while in Maxton and had been advised to go by Wagram, but it seems had not taken the advice and were on the upper road to Red Springs.

The bridge was completely destroyed, but, as this is on the belt line which is now under construction, it is thought that a new concrete bridge will soon be built. The river at this point is in Robeson County, and the eastern banks in Robeson county with the western bank in Scotland County. The first truck had gotten across safely.

First Bale of Georgia Cotton Brings \$1 a Pound. Savannah, Aug. 3.—(AP)—The first bale of Georgia raised cotton was sold at auction at the Savannah cotton exchange today for \$1 a pound. The exporters of Savannah made up a pool to buy it. It was raised in Bulloch county by J. R. and D. C. Bowen and was received by the Savannah cotton factory company. It will be shipped to New York for reshipment.

Cotton Market

Middling cotton is quoted on the local market today at 16 1/2 cents the pound.

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ITEMS OF LOCAL NEWS

—Born to Mr. and Mrs. M. S. Floyd, Tuesday morning a daughter.
—Miss Janie K. Wishart has as her guest Miss Mary Page Wilder of Aberdeen.

—Mr. J. Rowland Prevatt and family moved yesterday to their new remodeled home on the Garthage Road.

—Mrs. Stephen McIntyre, Mrs. Daisy Jenkins and Messrs. E. R. McIntyre and Stephen McIntyre Jr. left Tuesday morning for Black Mountain. Mrs. McIntyre and Mrs. Jenkins will remain here for some time, while the others are expected to return today.

—Former Justice L. R. Varsler returned home Monday evening from Goldsboro and Wilmington, where on Sunday he made an address in the former town and then came by Wilmington to attend court there Monday.

—Dr. G. Blair Jennings has returned from Greensboro, where he spent several days with Mrs. Jennings, who became seriously ill while on a visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. K. M. Spoon. Mrs. Jennings' condition is now improved.

—Mr. James D. Proctor is expected home tonight from a week's vacation spent with his family at Brevard. Mr. Proctor is returning home via Thomsville, where he will visit the Thomsville Orphanage, of which he is a trustee.

—Rev. Richard Parker, returned missionary from Cuba, now of Nashville, Tenn., conducted the service at the Methodist church Sunday morning. He left for Oxford Sunday afternoon, where he will join his family to visit relatives for several weeks, after spending a few days here with relatives.

—Mrs. O. C. Duncan has returned from Cairo, Ill., where she had been visiting her cousin Mrs. Ernest Mulkins. While away Mrs. Duncan also visited St. Louis and saw the famous Babe Ruth of the New York Yankees in action. On her return trip she spent a few days with Mr. Duncan's brother, Mr. Ben Duncan at Birmingham, Ala.

—Mr. J. M. Osteen, district supervisor of vocational schools, visited vocational classes at the Indian Normal at Pembroke Tuesday, at Orrum Wednesday and at Philadelphia today. A report of his visit to Pembroke is given elsewhere in this issue. Mr. Osteen has supervision of the counties south of Randolph. He was a Lumberton visitor Tuesday.

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