

Kinlaw Likely Will Be Made Postmaster

Name Sent to Senate by President Coolidge and Awaits Confirmation When Congress Meets After Holidays.

Mr. W. H. Kinlaw, present acting postmaster of Lumberton, will likely be made postmaster when Congress re-convenes after the Christmas holidays.

Mr. Kinlaw was made acting postmaster here on August 14, last, succeeding Mr. I. L. McGill, who held the office of postmaster for four years.

BIGGS FAMILY HAS REUNION

Children Gather at Home of Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Biggs in Saddletree Township for Day of Fellowship.

Immediate members of the family of Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Biggs of Saddletree township gathered at their home on Christmas day for a family reunion.

The reunion was occasioned by the arrival that morning from Detroit, Mich., of Mr. Z. P. Biggs, who has been away for the past 13 years, and his daughter, Miss Dorothy Biggs.

Mr. Z. P. Biggs and Miss Dorothy Biggs expect to return to Detroit Saturday.

FATHER OF MRS. BADGER MCLERO PASSES HERE

Became Ill With Heart Trouble While on Visit Here and Died in Baker Sanatorium—Body Taken to Goldsboro for Interment Today.

Mr. J. A. Cotton, father of Mrs. G. Badger McLeod of Lumberton, died in the Baker sanatorium yesterday afternoon at 5 o'clock from heart trouble.

Mr. Cotton had been in poor health for some time, but he became a great deal worse Monday while on a visit here to Mrs. McLeod and was immediately taken to the sanatorium. He was 66 years old.

LOCAL TRAFFIC TO BOARDMAN DETOURS VIA LOVETT ROAD

Local traffic from Lumberton to Boardman, Evergreen and Chadbourn is now detoured over the Lovett road on account of the fact that hard surface is being laid on route 20 from Lumberton to Boardman.

Local traffic will take the Fairmont road and turn off to the left where the old Lovett road intersects, following the detour signs to the highway at Lawson's filling station, where the paving began.

Fall-Doherty Trial February 2

The last legal maneuver to upset conspiracy indictments against Albert B. Fall, former secretary of the interior, and Harry F. Sinclair, growing out of the leasing of the Teapot Dome naval-oil-reserve to Sinclair's mammoth oil company failed and the trial was docketed to begin in the Supreme court of the District of Columbia on February 2.

Fall and Sinclair both entered pleas of not guilty after Justice Jennings Bailey in Washington had denied two motions, one in behalf of each defendant, to quash the indictments.

Correspondence of The Robesonian, Fairmont, Dec. 29: Miss Bertie Thomas of Lumberton spent the Christmas holidays with Miss Sally Johnson of Fairmont. Miss Thomas has returned to begin her school Wednesday, having enjoyed a Merry Christmas.

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Yes, I will make your goods up for you. You furnish the cloth, I will make Men's Suits or Ladies' Dresses to fit. All Hand Tailored to Measure. JOHN D. PURVIS, TAILOR, 5th St. Next Door to Postoffice.

Couple Misrepresent Church To Get Ads.

Obtain Letter of Authority to Use Church Directory and Use Church As Means to Solicit Money—Local Concerns Victims Before Stop Is Put to Their Work.

A man who gave his name as Rev. E. N. Tart, and represented himself as a Baptist minister of Fayetteville, and a woman who registered at a local hotel as Miss H. Boyer of Columbus, Ga., blew into town Sunday night and spent the first part of the week here gathering advertisements for a church directory, which they alleged they were getting up, until a stop was put to their work by the pastor and members of the Gospel Tabernacle church on Tuesday night.

Lumberton appears to be one of several towns the couple has visited. The man and woman went to Rev. C. W. Wallace, pastor of the Gospel Tabernacle, and asked for authority to use a church directory in getting up some advertisements. There would be absolutely no charge to the church, they stated. Mr. Wallace gave them a letter of authority, and they used the Gospel Tabernacle as a means of appealing to local merchants for advertisements.

Mr. Wallace learned what Tart and Miss Boyer were doing and about dark Tuesday went to them and demanded the letter he had given them. The woman refused to return it, and Mr. Wallace forbade them to use it or the name of the church any more. The woman claimed that they had sold some \$70 worth of advertising in Lumberton and that the church would have to pay her for her time, her expense in getting here and leaving and her hotel bill while in town.

Truck Growers Meetings Jan. 4 and 6

Mr. O. O. Oukes, county agent, states that a very important meeting of the St. Pauls Truck Growers association will be held in the bank building, St. Pauls, Tuesday, Jan. 4, at 2:30 p. m. All members of the association and others interested in truck growing are asked to attend this meeting.

Also an important truck growers meeting will be held in the high school auditorium at Fairmont Thursday, Jan. 6, at 3 p. m. All lettuce growers are asked to attend this meeting as instructions will be given about handling the crop the balance of the season. Those interested in other lines of truck are asked to attend.

THIEVES GET MR. J. D. PROCTOR'S TIRE AND TOOLS

Thieves on last Wednesday night took the spare tire off Mr. J. D. Proctor's Ford coupe as it stood in front of his residence on North Elm street and Monday night returned to rifle his tool box, getting several of his wrenches. Wednesday night the lights were off in Lumberton at one time, and Mr. Proctor thinks the theft was probably made at that time. Both of the hauls took place between 7:30 and 9 p. m.

Community Christmas Tree and Sing Enjoyed

A large crowd gathered on the court house lawn Christmas Day at 5 p. m., and enjoyed a community sing, led by Mr. C. B. Skipper, a short address of welcome appropriate to the occasion by Mayor E. M. Johnson, and a brilliantly-lighted Christmas tree. Presents were distributed to smaller children in the crowd by Santa Claus as impersonated by Mr. Walter Nance of Proctorville. The tree and sing were gotten up by the Woman's club with the assistance of the Kiwanis club.

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GASOLINE 25c Fuller's Service Station Lumberton, N. C.

REVIEWING 1926

A collection of political cartoons by A. S. Chapin. The cartoons depict various events and figures of the year 1926, including 'World Court', 'The Hard Coal Strikers Struck', 'Our Country's 100th Anniversary', 'Takes Another Ride', 'Got This Hook', 'Traffic Shows at Sea', 'Some New Champs', 'Among the Missing', and 'His Well-'. Each cartoon includes a caption and a signature.

MR. WALTER MCMILLAN DIES NEAR PHILADELPHIA

Prominent Farmer Victim of Stroke of Paralysis—Funeral Wednesday. Mr. Walter McMillan, 58 years old, died at his home near Philadelphia Tuesday at 12:30 following a stroke of paralysis, being stricken Monday night about 8:30, from which he never regained consciousness.

The funeral took place yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock from the Philadelphia Presbyterian church, of which he was a member, by his pastor, Rev. Neill McInnis, interment being made in the cemetery near the church.

He leaves besides his widow, five children, Misses Myrtle, Sadie and Hattie who lived with him, Mrs. Neill McNeill of Philadelphia and Mr. Peyton McMillan of South Boston, Va. He was an uncle of Mrs. O. O. Oukes of Lumberton.

MOST DEVASTATING FLOOD EVER KNOWN AT NASHVILLE

Between 4,000 and 5,000 Persons Made Homeless and 250 City Blocks Affected by Back Waters of Cumberland River. Nashville, Tenn., Dec. 29.—(AP)—The Cumberland river, sweeping down through Nashville in the most devastating flood ever recorded here, gave promise late today of reaching its crest Friday or Saturday of between 55.5 and 56 feet.

The river, rising at the rate of one-tenth of an inch an hour, had reached 54.9 feet at 2 o'clock this afternoon, within four-tenths of a foot of the record stage of 55.3 in 1882.

The city police department, directing rescue work, estimated that 250 city blocks were affected by the back waters of the flood which had made homeless between 4,000 and 5,000 persons in north and east Nashville, as well as other low sections.

Root Gives \$25,000 Prize to 'Foreign Affairs' Magazine. New York, Dec. 29.—Elihu Root, recipient of the Woodrow Wilson Foundation prize of \$25,000, has turned over the check to the Council of Foreign Relations, as the nucleus of an endowment fund for 'Foreign Affairs,' official organ of the council.

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YES! We will keep our repair department open during the Christmas holidays. All repair work will receive our prompt attention. MOORE'S GIFT SHOP. Phone 454 Chestnut St.

Indian Woman Fatally Injured By Automobile

Run Over by Babe Lesane, Colored, in Town of Fairmont and Later Died in Baker Sanatorium. LESANE UNDER \$100 BOND. Mary Eliza Hunt, Indian, was fatally injured Friday afternoon when she was run over by Aronia (Babe) Lesane, colored, in the town of Fairmont, and she died here at the Baker sanatorium at 11 o'clock on Christmas day.

A jury summoned by Coroner D. W. Biggs viewed the body of the woman here Christmas day and on Monday went to Fairmont, where the inquest was completed, recommending that Lesane be held under a very nominal bond for superior court. Lesane has been arrested and released under a \$100 bond.

Evidence at the coroner's inquest tends to show that the woman came to her death as the result of an unavoidable accident. Eye witnesses testified that she was going diagonally across the main street of Fairmont towards the First National Bank and that the car was going south at the same time, it striking her and knocking her down as she seemed to run into it. The front wheels of the automobile passed over her, and she was hung under the body when the car was brought to a stop by the negro. After asking about a physician, Lesane, according to the testimony, jumped out of his car and ran. The woman was given medical attention by Dr. Hayes of Fairmont, and she died here of her wounds the following morning.

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Cotton Market

Middling cotton is selling on the local market today at 11 1/2 cents the pound.

NEED A NEW SUIT? SEE JOHN D. PURVIS, The Tailor, HAND TAILORED CLOTHES \$25.50 AND UP. See us for gifts of all kinds "Always something new." MOORE'S GIFT SHOP. Phone 454 Chestnut St. In front of Lorraine Hotel.

Begin the New Year Right

There will be no watch-night service at the First Baptist church Friday night. Saturday, New Year's day, will be a busy day for most people and they should have a full night's rest for the day's duties. But every member of the church is respectfully asked to make his plans and preparations to attend Sunday school and church services on Sunday, thereby beginning the New Year in the right way.

CHRISTMAS DRUNKS OCCUPY TIME OF RECORDER

6 Before Recorder Kornegay During Holidays and All Are Fined \$25 and Costs—Other Cases. Christmas drunks occupied most of the time of Recorder P. S. Kornegay during the holidays, the recorder convicting 6 men on the charge, giving each of them the same fine—\$25 and costs. Those before the recorder and convicted on the charge were J. T. McIntyre, Rowland; Archie Jones, Will Griffin and Edwin Locklear, Indians; and Ellison Grady and Alex Lewis, colored.

Will Jetter, colored, paid the cost for reckless driving. Glen Allen paid the costs for violating the parking laws. H. Kinlaw, in court for giving two worthless checks, was made to pay the amounts of the checks and the costs in the case.

Quinnie Hunt, Indian, pleaded guilty of trespassing and paid the costs.

COTTON GINNED IN ROBESON

67,010 Bales Ginned to December 13—Johnston County Slightly Ahead.

There were 67,010 bales of cotton ginned in Robeson county prior to December 13, 1926, as compared with 60,218 bales ginned to the same date last year, according to report made by Mr. Junius J. Shaw of Lumber Bridge, special agent of the Bureau of the Census.

Johnston county, with 67,275 bales ginned prior to Dec. 13, as compared with 71,011 last year, led the State in number of bales ginned.

Dr. and Mrs. C. H. Durham and daughter, Miss Kathleen, returned Wednesday evening from High Point, where they made a two days' visit to Mrs. Durham's mother and other relatives.

Lumber Bridge Girl Wins Prize in Nation-Wide Essay Contest

Miss Katie Packer, High School Girl, Wins Second Prize for Essay on Highway Safety. SILVER MEDAL AND \$10.

Miss Katie Packer, high school girl of Lumber Bridge, Robeson county, has just been awarded the second prize in a series of six prizes offered by the National Automobile Chamber of Commerce, 366 Madison avenue, New York city, during the school year 1925-26, for essays on Highway Safety. The prizes were judged in the order of excellence and the committee forwarded to the State Department of Education at Raleigh the second prize, a silver medal and a check for \$10, to be delivered to Miss Packer.

Prof. A. T. Allen, State superintendent of public instruction, sent the prize to Prof. J. R. Poole, county superintendent of schools, who promptly forwarded it Monday to Miss Packer. This is quite a distinction for a high school girl as the contest was nation-wide and her essay was judged to be second best.

Ford Crashes Into McMillan Bridge

Right Front of A. M. Cox's Car Wrecked When It Collided With Bridge—Cox to Be Tried Monday on Two Charges.

A. M. Cox will be tried before Recorder P. S. Kornegay Monday on charges of driving an automobile while under the influence of liquor and carrying a concealed weapon, which grew out of his wrecking his Ford touring car at McMillan's bridge, near Lumberton Friday.

Cox's car crashed into the railings of the bridge, and the whole right front of the Ford was wrecked by the collision. It is alleged that another man besides Cox was in the car and that he escaped with slight injuries. Cox was not injured.

LUMBERTON BAPTISTS LEAD IN CONTRIBUTIONS

Thanksgiving Offering to Orphanage Was \$116. In our receipt columns Lumberton leads the list of Thanksgiving contributors to the orphanage—Charity and Children.

From another column of the same issue, Dec. 23, of Charity and Children, it is learned that the Thanksgiving offering of the First Baptist church of Lumberton to the Thomasville orphanage was \$1,116. This brought the grand total for the year up to \$4,518.66, a little more than \$200 in excess of the 1925 total for the same cause.

HATTIE STRICKLAND DIES AT STATE HOSPITAL

Hattie Strickland, 23, wife of Ed Strickland, Indian, who was shot while entering the store of R. D. Caldwell & Son some time ago and is now serving a penitentiary term, died at the State hospital, Raleigh, early Sunday morning from exhaustion from dementia praecox, and her body was brought back to Robeson county Sunday night. Interment was made at Bethel church, near Rowland, yesterday, Rev. Ed Hunt being in charge of the funeral services.

Postoffice Came Through Christmas Fine

Owing to early mailing the local postoffice came through Christmas in the best shape ever experienced, according to employees, who wish to thank the people for their co-operation. At noon Christmas day every package that could be delivered was in the hands of addressees. Remarkably few complaints have arisen from packages delivered wrong.

Britt Cash Store Changes Hands

Mr. A. E. White has purchased the stock of the Britt cash store, Fourth street, and will purchase new stock and continue the business with Mr. Rossie Britt, former proprietor, in charge.

Mrs. Sue McLeod, who has been ill at the Baker sanatorium for several days with bronchial pneumonia, is improved.

Mr. Bobt, Simms Jr. of Raleigh is expected to arrive today to be the guest of Messrs. Irvin and Franklin Biggs at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. John T. Biggs, Pine street.

GOOD WORKMANSHIP DEMANDS GOOD TOOLS

Garments sent to us are really given four cleanings because our modern Glover equipment continually changes the naptha 8 times an hour. Clothes are removed from a body of solvent just as sparkling in its purity as that into which they were placed. You would not entrust a \$50 bill to any but the safest bank. Give your suit or dress the same protection and entrust it to us. LUMBERTON DRY CLEANING CO. Eddie L. McNeill, Manager. 4th Street Phone 94

ITEMS OF LOCAL NEWS

Local banks will be closed Saturday, New Year's Day.

The Woman's club will meet in the library of the high school building Monday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock.

Master Jimmie Green, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Green of Raeford, has been very sick with pneumonia since Christmas day.

Rev. J. F. Raybon was able to be down town this morning for the first time in 3 weeks, having been sick at the home of his daughter, Mrs. M. E. Raybon, Walnut street.

Mrs. W. F. Ellis of Floyd, Va., a daughter of Mr. C. B. Thompson of Fairmont, was operated on at the Baker sanatorium last night for acute appendicitis and is getting along nicely.

Mr. J. T. Williams of Rowland, who suffered a fractured leg when he fell on the streets of Rowland last week and was taken to the Baker sanatorium, is improving nicely.

Morris, young son of Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Johnson of Orrum, was operated on at the Baker sanatorium for acute appendicitis Christmas day and is convalescing nicely.

Dr. T. A. Norment enjoyed a fine watermelon Christmas day, which is a bit unusual for this part of the country. The melon was raised by a colored man by the name of Cobb, from whom Dr. Norment bought it.

Mr. Chappell Wilson, director of the Appalachian Normal school at Boone, spent part of the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Wilson, in Howellsville township. Mr. Wilson is making a splendid record in school work.

There was a Christmas tree and exercises consisting of songs and recitations by the children at Sand Hill school, on route 5 from Lumberton, Dec. 23. Mrs. Carl Bullard and Miss Mary Lou Lennon of Lumberton are the teachers.

Messrs. J. W. Perkins and George Walker, of Roxboro, who were connected with the Big Banner Tobacco warehouse here last season, have been spending several days in and about Lumberton in the interest of the 1927 tobacco crop.

There will be no preaching services at Chestnut Street Methodist church next Sunday. The pastor, Rev. T. McM. Grant, Mrs. Grant and her daughter, little Miss Ruby, left Monday to visit relatives at Kinston and Sunbury. They will return some time next week.

Mrs. J. P. McNeill, who has been confined to her bed at her home on East Fifth street for the past several weeks with heart trouble and high blood pressure, suffered a relapse Monday and was taken to the Thompson Memorial hospital. Her condition is now improved.

Mr. Bill Dougherty has returned home from Blowing Rock, where he was employed for some time, and will return to that place in the spring. He had as his guest during the holidays Mr. Alfred Bell, formerly an employe of The Robesonian, now of Raleigh.

Licenses to marry have been issued to Walter Steele and Miss Lena Naomi Beard, Henry Eugene Mock and Miss Lois Kathleen Munoz, Alonzo Pate Covington and Miss Tessie Gladys Britt, Jack G. Williams and Miss Mamie D. Monroe, J. J. Pittman and Miss Elizabeth Herring.

Letha Jones, Indian, who sustained head injuries when the Florence bus crashed into a wagon in which she and five other Indians were riding last week, has been discharged from the Baker sanatorium, where she was carried following the wreck. Jesse Smith, Indian, who suffered a fractured skull at the same time, is improved but is still a patient at the hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Grover Britt and children of Dunn spent part of the Christmas holidays with Mrs. Britt's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Hamilton, at Marietta, and with Mr. Britt's parents, Mr. and Mrs. I. V. Britt, in Howellsville township. Mr. Britt, who formerly was local editor and business manager of The Robesonian, is now editor of the Dunn Dispatch.