



COLONEL TONY TOLAR began an inspection tour of highway patrol units throughout the state last week, and Robeson was one of the first counties he visited. Tolar was made head of the Highway Patrol two weeks ago by the governor. The new officer says he plans no big changes in the operation of the patrol system and is spending several weeks familiarizing himself with his new job. In the picture the Colonel is in the center front. Behind him is county manager William Daniel Reynolds. At left are patrolmen W. T. Simpson (rear) and N. T. (Fig) Newton. On the right are patrolmen C. H. Phillips (rear) and Corporal W. A. Baxter. The inset is of Colonel Tolar shaking hands with Lt. Wilbur Lovette of the Lumberton City Police—Photo by Penn.

Robbins Scouts Meet In New Hut

RED SPRINGS — Boy Scout Troop No. 78 of the Robbins Cloth Mills community met last Thursday night, May 12, at 7 o'clock in the new boy scout hut there. At this time four new members were received into the troop which includes Ben Simpson, Davis, Eugene Davis, Billy McVickers, and one second class scout, Charles Collins.

During the business meeting the following patrol leaders were chosen: James Carr, leader of the Flying Eagles, Patrol No. 1; Jimmy Edwards, Wolf Patrol No. 2; and Bobby Setze, Silver Patrol No. 3. With a total of 18 boys in the troop, six boys were assigned to each patrol.

Troop No. 78 would like to express its gratitude to the Robbins Cloth Mill for its generous donation toward the organization of the boy scouts in that community.

Series To Pick Co. Ball Champs

RED SPRINGS — The Red Springs High School baseball team will compete with Lumberton in a three game series as contenders for the Robeson County baseball championship. Winners of two out of three games will be awarded a beautiful trophy by the professional baseball teams from Red Springs and Lumberton.

The first game in this championship series will be held at Robbins Park at 7:45 on Monday night, May 23, with the second game scheduled in Lumberton on Friday, May 28. The third game will be played at the home of the winning team on Saturday.

The Red Springs High School won the right to represent Class A teams against Lumberton, Class A team, by winning the conference championship including Fairmont and Rowland.

Governor Scott Makes Plea For Road Bond Approval

Courthouse Plans Show Progress

LUMBERTON. — Charles W. Connelly, Charlotte architect, presented preliminary plans for the additions to be made to the county courthouse to members of the Robeson County Bar Association Tuesday. The plans presented are for a two-story and basement addition.

The plans have not been approved as yet by the county commissioners who first planned a single story and basement wing on either side of the present courthouse. The bar association requested that additional space be provided so that the building would not soon need further enlargement and Mr. Connelly is now preparing plans for the additional floor.

Original plans called for housing the Clerk of the Court in one wing and the Register of Deeds in the other. The enlarged plans call for a recorders court room on the added floor of the south wing and for a law library, judges chambers, and attorneys' consultation rooms on the north wing top floor.

Two floors and a basement will cost an approximated \$40,000 to the end of the first plan. The money will have to be provided and the county commissioners have not yet acted on the matter. Original plans fell within the bond issue approved for the purpose in 1941.

Red Springs Dogs Must Be Confined

At a meeting of the town board of Red Springs this week, a resolution was passed requesting dog owners to keep their pets confined during the warm weather season in order to prevent an epidemic of rabies.

Reece Snyder, town clerk, announced Tuesday that during the past week, members of the police force here had killed three dogs which, from all indications, were mad and he further stated that every precaution would be taken to protect the citizens throughout the community from rabid animals.

Local veterinarians have advised that since dogs are more apt to contract rabies during the summer months, it would be wise to confine them through September. "Your cooperation in the matter," says Mr. Snyder, "will be greatly appreciated."

Asks City Voters To Help Farmers Get Roads For School Transportation



GOVERNOR SCOTT

Answer Made To Critics Of Road Bond Issue

Governor W. Kerr Scott pled for the cities to forget personal interest and join the farmer in getting him out of the mud. The Governor spoke to a not-quite filled court room Tuesday night in Lumberton in one of a series of talks he is making throughout the state in the interest of his "Go Forward" road program.

Introduced by Major E. D. McGowan, Scott began his talk with a description of the needs of the school system, for which a bond issue is also asked. He traced school progress through the Aycock and Morrison programs and said that education now approaches a third major crisis following the war-enforced omission of proper maintenance.

He said that the educational system must have three things: Teachers compensated fairly and happy in their work, adequate buildings, and good roads which are dependable at all times for student transportation. "North Carolina," said the Governor, "through its neglect has crippled more children by illness resulting from exposure while waiting for school buses than have been crippled by polio."

Answering some of the objections which have been voiced against the proposed \$200,000,000 road bond issue he said that the state is in better shape financially than ever before, that the cost will be borne by the added one cent gas tax, that the money does not have to be spent during his administration, and that the size of the program was made what it is because it made smaller it would satisfy a majority of the people and thus make it impossible for the minority left to ever get the roads they want.

Mr. Scott said that New York bond attorneys have called the bond issue a sound financial proposition and that for 35,000 miles of "all-weather" roads, and give assurance that the primary system of highways could be maintained as usual.

He expressed the belief that opposition to the program would come from city dwellers who do not think they need roads and asked that they forget selfish motives and "come over into Macedonia and help us," the country folk.

Scott said that N. C. has moved forward each time roads have been improved and envisioned, with approval of the present proposal, that the state would become "the California of the east in agriculture, and the Pennsylvania of the south in industry."

School Bd. Talks To Architects About Schools

LUMBERTON. — The Robeson County Board of Education spent all of Tuesday interviewing fifteen architects and discussing their qualifications as planners for the school building program. No action was taken but it is probable that several architects will be employed and the \$3 million dollar project divided between them.

The architects interviewed were invited to appear by the board. Fees to be charged were discussed and building ideas were exchanged. An attempt will be made to group the work so that an architect may supervise several jobs simultaneously, and so that they will have some new work and some of the more difficult remodeling work.

The education board hopes to get preliminaries out of the way shortly so that the work can be assigned architects and blue prints can be prepared for the letting of contracts.

Hood President Pine Crest Club

LUMBERTON. — The newly elected directors of Pine Crest Country Club met Monday morning to elect officers and named John J. Hood president for the coming year. H. P. Allen was elected vice-president and S. Preston Douglas was made secretary-treasurer. In addition to the officers and executive committee was elected composed of J. E. Johnson, O. L. Henry and the officers.

Directors elected last week are J. E. Johnson, J. J. Hood, Cutlar Moore, Charlie McIntyre, S. P. Neill, Leroy Townsend, P. R. Floyd, O. L. Henry, Ingram Hedgpeth, R. A. Hedgpeth, Henry McKinnon, W. D. George Coleman Crabtree, Cecil Thompson and H. P. Allen.

President during the past year was J. E. Johnson, with R. E. Wilkins, vice president, Ingram Hedgpeth, secretary and James McCallum treasurer.

SMITHS NEWS

By MRS. WADE JOHNSON

Smith's Home Demonstration club sponsored a miscellaneous show on Tuesday night, May 10, honoring Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Neill and family who recently lost their home by fire. This was in observance of National Home Demonstration week.

The Neils received many nice and useful gifts. Among these was a \$25.00 check from the senior class of the high school and Mr. Rich, principal of the school.

The Neils were very grateful for all the kindnesses shown to them and expressed their appreciation to every one.

Jail 2 Soldiers After Auto Fight And Collision

LUMBERTON. — Two soldiers were jailed as a result of an auto accident which occurred early yesterday morning near the Lumberton Dairies on highway 301. Five were carried to the hospital and released after treatment. John W. Hooker was placed in jail charged with drunkenness, resisting arrest, and assaulting an officer. Ronald E. Gilsdorf was jailed and charged with careless and reckless driving. Others involved were three other soldiers, Lawrence G. White-eyes, Arlin C. Archer, and Robert D. Crausky.

Events before, during and after the accident made up quite a clamor. The sheriff's department was notified that a car full of soldiers was fighting in highway 74, but before officers arrived the melee had crossed town and, according to the driver, the scrap so crowded the driver that he couldn't see and the auto side-swiped a semi trailer from Lake City, S. C., head-on.

City police were notified after bystanders had put a temporary stop to the fistfights. The offenders were taken to the hospital where Hooker made the mistake of continuing the fight, but with an officer. Necessary measures resulted in more stitches, and in the removal of Hooker and Gilsdorf to the local lockup.

Fatal Collision Is Unavoidable

ST. PAULS. — A coroner's jury Monday night found the accident, which brought death to Claude Chavis Saturday night, to be unavoidable.

Chavis was killed in a car-truck collision on Highway 301.

DOCTORS WANT BETTER ROADS

ST. PAULS. — The following telegram was sent to Governor Scott by the doctors of St. Pauls yesterday morning.

"St. Pauls, N. C. May 18, 1949

Governor W. Kerr Scott
State Capitol
Raleigh, N. C.

We know bad weather usually brings a large number of sick people, especially in the rural areas of our state.

We know bad weather usually brings bad roads that delay and too often prevent prompt medical care for the sick.

We urge our people to vote for better roads and schools as an investment for better health and better living.

(Signed)
J. F. Nash, M. D.
M. E. Pate, Jr., M. D.
R. E. Hooks, M. D."

Fairmont Board Approves Paving Of Alley Area

FAIRMONT. — Fairmont town board in a special meeting last week voted to pave the alley behind stores on the west side of Main Street, from Thompson to 10th streets, provided 51 per cent of the property owners sign up for the work.

Memorial Planned

LUMBERTON. — The Emma Norment Class and the Serena Moore Class of the First Presbyterian Sunday school in Lumberton are laying plans for memorial class rooms in the new Presbyterian education building to honor the women for whom the classes were named. Contributions are being accepted for furnishings for the class rooms which will be designated by a memorial plaque when the building, now under construction, is completed.

Accepting contribution from class members and from the public for the Emma Norment memorial room are Mrs. S. P. Douglas and Mrs. Herbert Walden. Collections for the Serena Moore class room are in charge of Mrs. Gordon McMillan and Mrs. Hector McBride.

Solicitation of funds is not planned as a more than sufficient amount is expected to be volunteered.

ATTEND TEA

Mrs. Charlie Barker, Mrs. Roscoe Kinlaw and Mrs. Wade Johnson attended a tea at the home of Mrs. George S. Hargrave last week. The tea was in compliment to Mrs. Flax Andrews Lawrence of Brevard, a former Robeson County agent.

PERSONALS

Mrs. Gertie Campbell of Johnston, S. C., is spending some time with her daughter, Mrs. Johnnie Neill, Mrs. Neill's mother, sister and brother-in-law of Durham spent the week end in the Neill home.

Mrs. Raymond Stubbs went to Duke hospital on Monday to visit her nephew, Lynell Lovette of Lumberton, who became suddenly ill Sunday afternoon while riding around with other friends. He was rushed to Baker hospital in Lumberton and later carried to Duke hospital by ambulance. We all hope for Lynell a speedy recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Wade Johnson and family spent Sunday in Fairmont visiting Mrs. Johnson's brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm Prewatte.

A prayer meeting service is held every Wednesday night at 8 o'clock at Zion Hill Baptist church and Sunday school every Sunday morning at 10:30 o'clock, except the first Sunday, then at 2:30 with preaching afterwards. A. P. Stephens is pastor and everyone is cordially invited to attend.

PIKA PLEDGE

LUMBERTON. — Among the seven members of the Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity was Cecil E. Stephens of Lumberton.

NOTICE

RED SPRINGS. — Members of the Dilettante Club will not be responsible for any injury or accident sustained on the Red Springs playground.

Final Rites For Mrs. Townsend

LUMBERTON. — Funeral services were held Saturday for Mrs. Epsie Fuller Townsend. Mrs. Townsend died Thursday afternoon after an extended illness.

Services were conducted by Rev. Forrest Hedden, pastor of Chestnut Street Methodist church, from the home on North Elm. Assisting Rev. Hedden were Rev. Edmund Berkeley of Virginia Beach. Interment followed in Meadowbrook cemetery.

Mrs. Townsend was a daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Fuller. Born in 1896, she married Fred H. Townsend in 1920. Mrs. Townsend was a member of Chestnut Street Methodist church and was active in all its work. She was one time director of the church choir and a member of the choir for many years. In rather poor health for several years she had been ill since March.

Music was by the church choir, accompanied by Knox Andrews, Jr.

Palbearers were David Townsend of Rowland, Lawrence Blanchard, Jr., of Raleigh, C. D. Potter of McDonald, B. H. Stansel of Allenton, J. C. Morrison, Charles E. Fuller and Donald Fuller.

Scholastic Honors For Lumberton Men

LUMBERTON. — Phi Beta Kappa Keys went to three young men from Lumberton at Chapel Hill last week. A scholastic average of 92.5 is required for initiation into the national honorary group.

Among the initiates were J. Dickson McLean, Jr., Raymond L. Sarbaugh, Jr., and Dwight C. Rhyne, son of Rev. and Mrs. S. A. Rhyne.

ON CRUISE

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Bodenheimer of Coppedge Street, Red Springs, will leave from Norfolk, Va., on May 14 aboard the Furness liner "Queen of Bermuda" on a convention cruise for members of the Southern Retail Furniture Association. This organization of furniture retailers is having its 37th annual convention in the form of a trip to Bermuda. The cruise will take six days, two of these days being spent on the magic isle of Bermuda. Mr. Bodenheimer is connected with the Home Furniture Company, Inc., of Red Springs.

RED SPRINGS

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Miss Mary McInnis spent last week-end in Baltimore, Md., visiting friends.

Top Students Named At Lumberton Hi

LUMBERTON. — Miss Margaret Newton Floyd has been declared valedictorian of the senior class of Lumberton high school and will take part in the graduation exercises on June 7. Second honors go to Miss Nora Dean Parker who was topped scholastically only by Miss Floyd; Miss Parker is salutatorian.



MISS FLOYD



MISS PARKER

Sunday Movie Issue Pops Up In Fairmont

New Cotton Gin Is Being Built At Fairmont

FAIRMONT. — Work has begun here on a \$100,000 cotton gin, which will be owned by Mrs. M. C. Carter of Lumberton, operator of a number of gins in this section.

The gin is located on the east side of Walnut a short way south of Planters Warehouse No. 2. Construction is progressing rapidly and the gin is expected to be operating during the coming season.

FAIRMONT. — Saturday, May 28, has been designated as VFW Poppy Day in Fairmont and poppies will be sold on the streets during the day by members of Mrs. Jake Shockett's fifth grade. Warren H. Barnes, Poppy Day chairman of the South Robeson VFW post, said that proceeds from the sale would go for the benefit of disabled veterans.

NC-SC Bird Club In Weekend Meet

LUMBERTON. — Lumberton, one of the few cities in North Carolina which has been made a Bird Sanctuary and in which it is illegal to kill or trap, will be host this week end to the more than 20 clubs in North and South Carolina which comprise the Carolina Bird Club. This is the annual meeting of the club; headquarters will be at the Lorraine Hotel. J. L. Stephens, Jr., president of the Lumberton Club, says that arrangements for the meeting are complete.

A business session Saturday afternoon will elect new officers and will hear papers read by two members of the club. A dinner at seven Saturday night will accommodate a limited number of interested non-members and reservations should be made with Mr. Stephens. The address at the dinner meeting will be by W. H. Olds, of the NC Fish and Wildlife Commission.

Senior Play At Red Springs

RED SPRINGS. — Members of the Red Springs High School will present their annual senior play, "The Divine Flora," on Thursday evening, May 19, at 8:15 P. M., in the high school auditorium.

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