

SCHOOLS TO OPEN THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

State Baptists Get Ft. Caswell Property

Buy 248-Acre Convention Site For \$86,000

The North Carolina State Baptist Convention has attained long-sought property objectives through ownership of a reactionless and educational facility of its own. It has been awarded the 248-acre Ft. Caswell property near Southport by the War Assets Administration for \$86,000.

In a telegram received Tuesday Congressman F. Eitel Carlyle advised I WAS ADVISED THIS MORNING BY THE WAR ASSETS ADMINISTRATION THAT BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION OF NORTH CAROLINA HAS PURCHASED THE FORT CASWELL PROPERTY. THIS WILL BE OF GREAT ADVANTAGE IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF OUR STATE.

F. EITEL CARLYLE, MEMBER OF CONGRESS.

The Baptist convention, which has been conducting its state-wide activities—particularly in the summer—on leased property at Carolina Beach, is expected to move its major operations of this type to Fort Caswell next year.

The fort site, which combines many buildings constructed by the Navy during World War II with a number of structures dating back to Confederate use of the fort against the Union blockade, borders on the Elizabeth and Cape Fear Rivers and Ship's Canal. It was used by the Navy as a section base for small craft during the recent war. In World War I, National Guard units trained there, and between wars it has been privately owned for extended periods. It was declared surplus after World War II, and Rep. Deane suggested to M. A. Huggins of the State Baptist Convention that the Fort Caswell property might be utilized for church education and recreation activities. The sale included all utilities except the water system, which is and has been privately owned.

Private interests, the State Board of Health and the Third Army also had been interested in buying the old fort.

Mrs. Dargan Stanton Services Held

RED SPRINGS—Funeral services for Mrs. Dargan Stanton, 73, were held Tuesday afternoon from Trinity Methodist Church, with the pastor, the Rev. Graham Eubank, in charge. Burial was in Alloway cemetery.

Funeral services were: Charles Edens, G. S. Edens, A. C. Edens, Clint Parrish, Morris Shoock and Oliver Varunans.

Mrs. Stanton was the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Bosh of Marlboro County, South Carolina, and the widow of the late Dargan Stanton of Red Springs. Surviving are two daughters: Mrs. John Heffin of Atlanta, Ga., and Mrs. Charles Epps of Dayton, Ohio, and one son, Frank Stanton of Red Springs, with whom she had made her home for the past several years.

Farm Machine Show Draws Big Crowd

D. S. Weaver Says Farms Mechanized By Necessity

LUMBERTON—Several thousand farmers viewed the huge display and demonstration of farm tractor machinery staged here Wednesday by six farm implement dealers in Lumberton. The show, staged on the site of the old Lumberton airport, included more than 75 tractors with a complete assortment of attachments ranging from discs to cotton pickers.

David S. Weaver, assistant director of the State College Extension Service, remarked that the show reminded him of the sort of thing that used to be staged in the mid-west 15 or 20 years ago when farm mechanization was getting its start there. He said that at that time a mechanical farming demonstration in Carolina would have been ignored because the tractor was considered a rich man's toy, but that Carolina and southern farmers are now becoming efficiency conscious. He predicted that this show, unique to Robeson County now, would become commonplace and that

Rowland Man May Get Federal Post

Burton M. Graham, a native of Rowland, will probably be appointed regional director for the Federal General Service Agency in Atlanta, according to reports from Washington, D. C.

Mr. Graham is a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Graham, Sr., of Rowland and is a brother of Mrs. A. E. Watson of Lumberton, and the late Dr. R. F. Graham of Rowland. The position in Atlanta has just been created by the Congress and will combine several agencies which grew out of the war. Mr. Graham was an engineer with the 30th division in the first World War and has recently been regional director of the War Assets Administration in Atlanta.

Farmers Day Is Planned By Merchants Assn.

RED SPRINGS—Plans for the Farmer's Day celebration approved recently by the promotions committee of the Red Springs Merchants Association, will be discussed Friday evening at a meeting of the directors of the group.

Tommy Tucker, secretary, states that the meeting will be held after Rotary at the Legion Hall at 8:15, and all members of the board of directors are asked to be present. President Waverly Barham will appoint the general committee for staging the Farmer's Day and many of the plans for the celebration are to be made at this time.

It is expected that the Lumberton Electric Membership corporation will have its annual meeting and membership-wide "open house" at this time, when the new office building and warehouse of the electric corporation will be visited by hundreds of its customers.

It has been proposed that the folks of Red Springs don overalls and that a Farmer Mayor and Board of Commissioners be elected for the day and the town be given over to them for operation. Should this feature of the day be adopted, it is expected that the Farmer Police will spend their day arresting citizens of the town who do not conform to the "overall" requirements, and the mayor try their cases of infractions of the "law," with fines to be used to erect a town clock at some central spot. It is expected that several thousands of dollars worth of prizes will be given away to farmers in attendance at the event.

Dr. Dan T. Caldwell, director of Christian Education of the Synod of North Carolina was introduced by Dr. S. H. Fulton of Lumberton and spoke on the educational institutions of the Synod of North Carolina, mentioning especially the bounds of Fayetteville Presbytery, Flora MacDonald College and Presbyterian College as introduced. Dr. S. H. Fulton reported for the Commission on the Minister and His Work, and Dr. S. E. Howie reported for the home mission committee. Action was taken seeking to bring all salaries of ministers up to the minimum set by the Presbytery. Presbytery appointed a special committee to reorganize its committees, to conform to the new system of boards set up by the general assembly commission reported. Dr. T. E. Davis reported for Christian education and ministerial relief. Three elders from one congregation were introduced and referred to the home mission committee as laymen ready to accept invitations to preach in vacant churches and do evangelistic work in neglected areas.

Such demonstration could be seen on any farm in a few years. The show was all motion. Dealers demonstrated the power and equipment they have for sale and the audience climbed aboard the power units to get the feel of the thing for themselves.

A parade of the equipment through the streets of Lumberton, beginning at 9 A. M., and continuing to the site of the demonstration half a mile west of the city, was the kick-off for the show, and from then until late afternoon there was a six-ring circus all day long as the six sponsors of the show displayed their wares.

Mr. Weaver remarked that mechanization of farming is not a thing of choice; it is, he said, a necessity—not a universal necessity for there are small farms that can't use machinery efficiently, but almost a universal necessity. Citing his reasons for this statement the speaker said that power of some sort is a necessity and that there just isn't a horse and mule population to do the farming. The number of draft animals decreases at the rate of more than a million a year he said and

Airport Drive-In Has 'Em Too

RED SPRINGS—Last week's Citizen stated that the Airport Drive-In Theater was served by a loud speaker and system and that the Red Springs Drive-In has individual car speakers. Now we inform you that the Airport Drive-In has in-the-car individual speakers, too.

Manager Ed Petee states that the Airport Drive-In has the very latest type D.T.R. speakers, and is also equipped with the new high-powered lens projection equipment with 70 ampere high intensity lamps which projects a picture that is clear and sharp and easy on the eyes. This equipment requires a 100-watt current and is ample to carry a theatre seating as many as 2,500 people.

The screen size is 40 by 30 feet, ramps for cars a 30 feet for easy access. Mr. Petee's wife is in charge of the concession stand and prices are in line with the popular prices down town.

The management states that its theatre is for white only, and that it is their intention to show the best pictures available.

Presbytery Meets At Junior College

MAXTON—The Fayetteville Presbytery met in its mid-summer session in the chapel at Presbyterian Junior College July 13, being called to order with a devotional by the Rev. E. Lee Stoffel, presiding moderator. One hundred thirty-two ministers, elders, and deacons were in attendance. The Rev. C. M. Gibbs, stated clerk, assisted in the roll call by Rev. J. F. Menius, permanent moderator clerk, and J. W. Mann, temporary clerk. Dr. Walker D. Hily, pastor of First Presbyterian Church, Fayetteville, was elected moderator. Rev. Charles Parrish and Dr. R. L. Wharton introduced and invited to visit visiting brethren. After exhortation on theology, sacraments, church government, and personal religion, the Rev. R. H. Howie was received from Wilmington Presbytery and a commission was appointed to install him as pastor of St. Pauls Church.

A report from a special committee on electing commissioners to a general assembly was made by the Rev. Thomas A. Fry of Red Springs, and was adopted. The place for the October meeting, having been previously set, the Presbytery accepted an invitation to meet at Cameron Church in January, and took recess for 15 minutes while his picture was taken on the steps of the Administration Building of Presbyterian Junior College.

The "Red and the Caudron" was the subject of the presidential sermon preached by the Rev. E. Lee Stoffel from Jeremiah 1. The communion service was led by M. Stoffel and Dr. R. L. Wharton. Luncheon was in the college cafeteria.

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George Davis Named Clerk

RED SPRINGS—George Davis was named a permanent clerk in the postoffice here on July 1, it was stated this week by Postmaster William T. McGoogan. Mr. Davis was custodian of the new postoffice building since its erection in 1940, except for three and one-half years and one day, while in the armed service.

No appointment has been made of a custodian to replace Mr. Davis.

Laurinburg Work on Hospital

Laurinburg—Work on the new Scotland County Memorial Hospital is progressing satisfactorily to date and the general contractors expect to wind up the job some time next May, it was announced this week.

Concrete for the ground floor of the four-story building has already been poured and work on the second floor will be completed by August 1st according to present schedules.

Jakie Dunie Buys Children's Shop Will Enlarge Stock and Change Name

LUMBERTON—Purchase of the Tot Shop by Jakie Dunie has been announced by Hicks Bailey and Murphy Bowman, the previous owners. The business passed into new hands Friday of last week and Mr. Dunie took over management immediately. The name of the shop will be changed to Frankie and Jakie's Children's Shop and Mrs. Dunie will assist in its operation.

The shop opened on Fourth Street in Lumberton adjoining the Lorraine Barber Shop, in 1948 and has been managed by Mrs. George Dover and Mrs. Luther Edens, who remain with Mr. Dunie. A more complete stock will be purchased by the new proprietor who this week went to northern markets to buy merchandise. The needs of infants and of children up to 12 years will be carried.

Well known throughout the county, Mr. Dunie is a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Harris Dunie. His father was in the mercantile business and the business was later operated by Jakie. Two weeks ago Jakie Dunie resigned a position with Sugar's Men's Store which he had held for four and a half years; prior to that he was with A. Weinstein for 14 years. He served with the armed forces during the late unpleasantness.

Typhoid Clinic At St. Pauls

There will be a typhoid clinic held at Robeson Textile Mills in St. Pauls from 9:30 to 11:30 a. m. on July 27 and August 3 and 10. The public is invited.

A lot of women would look more spick if they had less span.

Fire Guts Negro School At Red Springs Monday

\$20,000 Damage Is Estimated; To Be Repaired By September

RED SPRINGS—Fire damaged the Negro school building here Monday afternoon to the extent of approximately \$20,000, it was estimated by Supt. Walter R. Dudley and a state fire inspector.

The fire was believed to have been caused by lightning during a thunderstorm which ceased a short time before John Walter McRae discovered the smoke pouring from the lunch room at about 3 P. M. Within a few minutes of the fire call turned in by McRae, the Red Springs volunteer fire department had a line of hose playing water on the blaze. However, due to the fact that fire spread quickly from pavement to roof of the large one-story brick and wood structure, a call was sent to Maxton and Raeford for help from their departments. A truck from each of these towns responded promptly. Chief Galen Harris of the local department and school officials were highly appreciative of the quick response and able assistance given by the visiting firemen in fighting the stubborn fire which was finally put out about 5:30.

Supt. Walter Dudley and Principal J. T. Peterson, state that four class rooms and the lunch room will have to be completely rebuilt, and that it is expected that the entire building will have to be re-roofed. Repainting throughout will be necessary, and much cleaning up and some repairs will have to be made.

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Nimock's Son Is On Carlyle Staff

Steve Nimocks, youngest son of Superior Court Judge Quincey K. Nimocks of Fayetteville, has joined the staff of Congressman F. Eitel Carlyle in Washington.

Carlyle's new assistant, 23, served aboard a destroyer in the Atlantic during the war. He attended the University of North Carolina for three years and is now studying law at Wake Forest.

J. L. McLean Talks To Presbytery

MAXTON—The men of the Presbyterian Church enjoyed a fish fry on Monday evening of this week at Sells Landing on Lumber River at seven o'clock. Guest speaker of the evening was John Luther McLean of Lumberton, president of the men of Fayetteville Presbytery. Mr. McLean addressed the group on "The Work of the Men of the Church."

Approximately forty-five men attended the fish fry which was served by Hugh McCall. A business session was conducted by President H. J. Prosser, who announced that two men of the church would have the opportunity to attend the Presbytery Men's Conference to be held November 4-6 in Atlanta. This conference is to be attended by only 5,000 men of the Presbytery Church. Several members made plans to attend the Men-at-Montreat Conference to be held in Montreal this week.

The weather was most favorable for the outdoor supper which was one of the most enjoyable get-togethers of this organization.

Council Gets City Budget Today; Office For Manager Almost Complete

LUMBERTON—The city council will probably get a first draft of the budget for 1949-50 today. The budget will probably not get the council OK at the meeting today.

The new city manager has spent most of his time, since taking office July 1 in studying and analyzing the requirements of each department of the administration and says that he hasn't had nearly as much time for the job as he would have liked. At the moment he is going over revenues, and because he has not finished this important part of the budget analysis declines to make any prediction of the total of the budget or the tax rate. The budget should be set and approved before the end of this month.

A handicap in the enormous amount of work Mr. Sansbury has had to do in the last 20 days has been the lack of office space and the lack of privacy for consultations. That will be remedied by next week when an office which is being built for him on the second floor of the city hall is completed.

The office has been constructed by partitioning one end of the council meeting room. It measures 10 by 25 feet and leaves ample room for council meetings in the remainder of the space. Painters are completing their work on it today, and office furniture will be installed as soon as it can be secured.

Building Progress Noted

County Doing Most Of Remodeling; Plans Approved On 7 New Buildings

County School Superintendent E. E. Littlefield yesterday announced that the opening date for Robeson County schools has been tentatively set for September 8. Mr. Littlefield said that virtually all teaching positions in the county system had been filled. He declined to predict the remodeling that the county maintenance and construction crew was doing everything it possibly could to accomplish a maximum amount of work in the next six weeks.

Remodeling recommended by the school survey has been completed on one building. Maxton white school; this work was done by G. Aves and Toy, architects of Charlotte, under a contract of \$31,317.00. Remodeling is in progress at Barnesville, Orlin, Smith, and St. Pauls white schools, with the work being done by the county crew. Remodeling is approved and planned for accomplishment by the county crew at Parkton, Rargor Ten-Mile, and Pembroke Elementary (Indian).

One project included in the bond issue has been completed, Maxton (Negro). Contract has been let on a new building at Rowland (white) on plans prepared by Graves and Toy for \$125,215.28.

There will be a letting on the Long Branch (white) building and on the Proctorville (Negro) building on Thursday, July 28. Plans prepared by Frank B. Simpson, Raleigh, on both buildings have been approved. July 28 was originally set as the date for letting these contracts, but several contractors asked for the postponement which was granted.

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NC Ginners See Mississippi Crops

Ten members of the Carolinas Ginners Association visited the U. S. Cotton Ginning Laboratory at Stoneville, Miss., on July 12 and 13.

The group saw actual demonstrations of ginning and the principal factors involved. The laboratory and other projects being developed at the laboratory were also visited by the ginners.

Some of these projects were experimental work on cotton seed drying, cotton seed analysis by electronics, and storing of conditioned seed cotton.

While at Stoneville, the group had the opportunity of visiting the Delta Branch Experiment Station which is devoted almost entirely to cotton mechanization. Most of the cotton at the station is approximately three feet high, and is being cultivated, flamed and sprayed in one operation. This is done with four-row cultivating tractors. Flaming is done to control grass which has to be absent for mechanical picking. Spraying is done for insect control. (We dust in the Carolinas.) Last season cotton was produced at the rate of 1.2 bales per acre at the station, with 21 hours of labor of which was for hand labor to remove large weeds. The average ginners required per acre for producing cotton throughout the cotton belt is one and 1/2.

The ginners had the opportunity of visiting the Stoneville Pedigreed Seed Company's processing plant and factory.

A tour of new cotton gins was made by the group. Gins costing \$100,000 or more were visited. Some of the buildings were 136 ft. long compared with the Carolinas' 89' mental leaving with the full battalion convoy at Laurinburg. The motor convoy here will be under the command of M/Sgt. Rescoe Smith.

The train element will leave Saturday via Fayetteville. This group will be under the command of Capt. George A. Forlines, Headquarters Battery commander. Other officers traveling with the train element will be Major Thornton B. Lester, of the battalion staff, and Lieutenants Harvey F. McMillan and Emil Bardell.

Capt. Forlines states that a very successful encampment is anticipated this year. Lieut. Col. William C. Lamont is the commanding officer of the battalion. Other batteries are from Raeford and Sanford.

GUARD GOES TO SUMMER CAMP

RED SPRINGS—Headquarters Battery, 130th AAA AW Battalion, the local unit of the National Guard, leaves this week for the annual summer training encampment at the army's anti-aircraft training center at Camp Stewart, Ga.

The battery will move to camp in three elements. The first group will leave this morning at 7 o'clock under the command of Capt. Walter R. Bullock, battalion supply officer. The main body of the battery will move to camp in two groups, with the convoy element leaving here at 7 A. M., Saturday morning.

Making the trip were: H. C. Council, Parnell and McColl, St. Pauls, N. C.; Clude Upchurch, J. Hoke Oil and Fert. Co., Raeford, N. C.; J. W. McRae, N. C.; J. F. McLeod, Farmers Gin Co., Dalzell, S. C.; J. J. Lamm, Royal Gin Co., Aurora, N. C.; Meyers, Highman, General Utility, Dunn, N. C.; James I. Owens, Liberty Manufacturing Company, Red Springs, N. C.; Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Lutz, Waco Gin, Waco, N. C.; and Louis G. McGill, executive secretary, The Carolinas Ginners Association, Red Springs, N. C.

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RECREATION

THE JUNIORS
The Pembroke Scouts, led by Joe Culbreth, shoved across two runs in the seventh inning to win from the Towners 11 to 9, and move back into first place with a 2 win, 1 loss record, for the Junior Baseball League.

The Millers won a 13 to 9 game from the cellar-sitting Towners despite the fact that the Towners had 9 hits to the Millers 6. The combination outfit didn't play during the week but remained tied for second place with the Millers at 2 wins and 2 losses while the Towners are on the bottom with only one win in three starts.

SOFTBALL

The Baptists have at last got a win to their credit, after dropping five straight games. They defeated the first pick-sporting hitting squad that ran up a 21-20 score.

The Robin Rounders took a close affair from the National Guard by a 7-6 score in the only other game of the week.

Standings:

Team	Won	Lost
High School	7	3
Preps	6	3
Rounders	6	5
Nat. Guards	7	6
Sing Maes	3	7
Methodists	2	7
Baptists	1	0

MAXTON—Softball schedule for the coming week at the Maxton field is as follows:
July 21—High School vs. P.J.C.
July 22—High School vs. Maxton.
July 26—Maxton vs. P.J.C.
The Maxton team recently withdrew from the Scotland County Softball League which played on Monday and Wednesday evenings.

Military Rites For Sgt. Young

RED SPRINGS—Funeral services will be held for T/Sgt. Clay L. Young, who was killed in action over Germany August 9, 1944, at the Red Springs Baptist Church. Services will be conducted by Rev. Paul D. Early, assisted by Rev. Ray W. Harrington, pastor of the Bessemer Baptist Church in Greensboro. Military rites at the church will be by the Charlie Hall post of the American Legion and the Red Springs National Guard unit. Interment will be in the Guilford Memorial Park in Greensboro, and military rites there will be in charge of the Greensboro Legion and Guard at 4 P. M.

Sgt. Young survived by his wife, the former Claudine Brown of Greensboro; his parents, Clay L. and Ethel Ball Young of Red Springs; four sisters, Mrs. G. L. Eddins and Mrs. Howard McKellar of Red Springs, Mrs. W. E. Burrow of Reidsville, and Mrs. W. S. Lanning of Winston Salem; two brothers, T. G. Young of Red Springs and C. G. Young of the U. S. Army stationed at Guam.

Sgt. Young served as radio operator on a B-24 Liberator bomber with the 8th Air Force and was awarded the Air Medal with two Oak Leaf Clusters. He was born in Greenville, S. C., Nov. 25, 1918, and was educated in the High Point public schools. Prior to entering service he was employed by the Star Electric Co. of Greensboro and the Robbins Cloth Mills of Red Springs. He entered the army Dec. 5, 1942, at Fort Bragg, Falls, S. C., gunnery school at Kingman, Ariz., and had 17 her training at Clovis, N. M.

KILLED:

July 16 thru July 18 409
To Date This Year 409
To This Date in 1948 333

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To Date in 1948 3774

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CORONER'S JURY RULES DEATH OF 7-YEAR-OLD ACCIDENTAL

FAIRMONT—A coroner's jury ruled Thursday night that the death of Dannie Walter Freeman, 7-year-old Indian boy of near Fairmont, was an unavoidable accident.

The verdict exonerated Warren Alfred Lewis, 26, of near Fairmont, driver of a car which struck and killed the boy near the home of the grandfather, T. L. Freeman, Tuesday night, July 12.

Lewis had been under \$1,000 bond pending outcome of the inquest.

Early detection of cancer is the best chance of cure. Frequent medical examinations are the best safeguard against cancer.

T. A. Rogers Named R. S. Police Chief

RED SPRINGS—T. A. Rogers of Warsaw was named chief of police here Tuesday night at a special meeting of the Board of Commissioners. Rogers was named to succeed Floyd Whitman who resigned some weeks ago to accept a place on the Weldon police department staff.

Clint Parrish has been acting chief in the interim. It is expected that Mr. Rogers and his wife and son will move here about August 1, when he takes up his new duties.