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RED SPRINGS, N. C. Thursday Morning, September 1, 1949

Funeral service will be held Friday at Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery, St. Louis, Mo., for Lt. David Powers of St. Pauls and two other flyers who were killed in an air crash over Italy May 12, 1944. The burial will be in a single casket.

Hallie M. Seawell has departed for Bombay, India, after visiting his mother, Mrs. Mattie Seawell in St. Pauls. Mr. Seawell is Asiatic manager for a Philadelphia drug manufacturing concern.

Pvt. William P. Edwards, 19, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Edwards of Fairmont, has recently graduated from non-commissioned officers school at Camp Crawford, Japan.

Recruit Alvin E. Jernigan of East Lumberton is now serving with the 1st Cavalry division at Tokyo, Japan.

Are you a fish culturist? If so there is a civil service position waiting for you at a starting salary of \$2,152 to \$3,727 annually. You can get more information at you. postoffice.

Private First Class Fred A. Edwards, of Route 1, Lumberton, has returned to the United States aboard the U. S. Army Transport General Morton, following completion of a tour of duty with the U. S. Army in the Philippines.

A pasture show will be held at Duart Farms of the Fayetteville highway north of Lumberton Friday at 10 A. M. All farmers planning to plant pasture are invited to attend.

Jasper C. Hutto, manager of the Lumberton Chamber of Commerce, will address the N. C. Association of Chamber of Commerce Executives at the annual convention in Wilson Sept. 18 and 19.

J. M. Johnson, former steward at the p.ison camp near Lumberton, has been made acting superintendent, succeeding H. C. Mason, who has been transferred to Lee County.

Veterans Rush For Insurance Refund Blanks

World War II veterans of Robeson County this week rushed to postoffices and the Veterans Service office to obtain their refund blanks for NSLI dividends.

The application for dividends were made available for the first time Monday. County Service Officer A. E. Watson reminded veterans this week that his office will be glad to help any who need assistance in filling out the blanks.

It was pointed out, however, that the blanks are worded clearly and that most veterans should be able to fill them out without assistance.

At the same time, Mr. Watson declared that it is necessary to have a certified copy of discharge in filling out or mailing the application.

Man Is Killed By Hit-Runner

MAXTON—Barney Locklear, 40-year-old Indian was struck on the old Red Springs road about a mile and a half from Maxton Saturday night and died of injuries Monday at Scotland County Hospital.

Police are on the lookout for the hit-run driver who struck Locklear. It was estimated that the injured man was left on the road for some four or five hours before he was found by passersby and carried to the hospital by Deputy Sheriff R. L. Purcell.

Coroner D. W. Biggs empaneled a jury but an inquest was postponed pending investigation. The victim is survived by a wife and two children. Funeral services were held Wednesday.

United Nations Course Will Be Given In County

There will be a course of study offered this fall to teachers and others of Robeson County which will deal with the United Nations. The course will be in political science and will be taught by Dr. Frazer of U. N. C., who is director of the Southern Conference on International Relations.

Four semester hours of undergraduate credit will be given for the course through the Extension Division of U. N. C. There will be 10 meetings, the first of which will be on Wednesday afternoon, Sept. 21, at the Lumberton High School auditorium. Tuition cost and fees will make the course cost \$23, according to Mrs. Emily Butler of the office of the county superintendent of education.

Crash Injuries Fatal To Pilot

Edwin Edward "Andy" Anderson, 30-year-old pilot, died late Thursday afternoon of injuries received in a crop dusting accident between Maxton and Rowland. Anderson received a fractured skull, chest injuries and other hurts when his plane crashed early Thursday morning. He was rushed to Scotland County Memorial Hospital where little hope was held for his recovery and died that afternoon.

A native of Ewing, Mass., Anderson had been crop dusting for Scotland Flying Service for the past month and had also worked here last year.

The pilot's body was returned to Massachusetts Saturday where funeral services were to be held. Anderson's death was the second to befall a Scotland County duster pilot this year. Four planes flying for county firms have cracked up while dusting with the other two pilots severely injured.

Legion Ladies Will Sponsor Fashion Show

MAXTON—Plans were made to sponsor a fall fashion show in late September, at the monthly meeting of the American Legion Auxiliary held on Tuesday evening of last week at the Community Club with Mrs. Percy Phillips, president, presiding. Mrs. G. W. Pulliam was appointed chairman of the fashion show and will select members of the committee to work with her on this project.

Reports were heard from Misses Ann McLeod and Betty Evans, delegates to the recently held Girls' State at Chapel Hill, who were sent by the local Auxiliary. The young ladies gave very interesting reports on the activities and objectives of their work at the University of Chapel Hill attending the 10th annual Girls' State.

Refreshments were served by hostesses Mrs. Fairley Morris, Mrs. Kenneth Chisholm and Mrs. D. L. Maynard.

School Board Approves Orrum Building Plans

The Robeson County Board of Education Wednesday afternoon approved plans for the Orrum gymnasium-cafeteria-home economics building, to cost approximately \$80,000.

The group also voted to employ a registered nurse to supplement the work of the County Health Department in the schools, and also decided to appoint a school treasurer for each school in the county system. The treasurer will be bonded and will have charge of all school funds which do not go into regular state or county funds.



THREE PRETTIES IN A POSE... Barbara Smetana, 13, lostery salesgirl from East Bridgeport, Conn., was selected as fairest of the fair of the nutmeg contest and crowned "Miss Connecticut" in a contest in Bridgeport.

Red Springs Schools Open Monday

RED SPRINGS—The white schools of Red Springs will open here Monday, Sept. 5, at 8 o'clock, it was stated today by Walter R. Dudley, superintendent. Mr. Dudley states that there will be no formal opening ceremony but regular registration with short class periods for orientation purposes, assignment of text books and explanation of schedules.

Tuesday the schools go on regular schedule from 8:30 to 3:15. Luncheon prices will be 20c for high school students and 15c each for elementary students, the same as last year.

Negro School is expected that everything will be in readiness for opening of the Negro school on the following Monday, Sept. 12. The contractors are completing the repair of the building which was severely damaged by fire in July, and Principal J. T. Peterson and his staff are now completing the reconditioning of the fixtures and installation of equipment which is replacing that damaged beyond repair in the fire.

Faculty The faculty of the white schools is composed of the following: Mrs. Mable Bostick, 4th. Miss Julia Nurnberger, 1st. Mrs. Lucy Prevatte, 2nd. Mrs. Mildred Lewis, 3rd. Mrs. Sarah McDonald, 4th. Miss Helen Buie, 5th. Mrs. Geneva Martin, 6th. Miss Rachel Perkins, 7th. Mrs. Dorothy Carruth, 8th. Miss Beatrice Hill, elementary principal.

DOLLAR DAY EVENTS PLANNED BY MAXTON MERCHANTS GROUP

MAXTON—A meeting of the Maxton Merchants' Association was held on Friday afternoon last week at the Community Club, with Percy Phillips, serving as acting chairman. In a discussion of closing local stores and firms on holidays, it was voted to observe the following holidays by closing: Labor Day, Thanksgiving, Christmas (Monday, December 26th), Fourth of July and also to close on Wednesday afternoons at one o'clock, beginning April 12th through August 1st.

Plans were made to hold a series of Dollar Days in Maxton during the months of September, October and November. Appointment on the committee to work out the details of the Dollar Days, were Ed Carroway, Mrs. W. H. Hasty, R. P. Edwards and J. L. Pace. The object of this project is to stimulate trade and business in Maxton during the harvest season.

In a discussion of the lots in the veterans housing project, Mayor T. O. Evans stated the importance of all veterans claiming lots to begin building at once or giving up their lots. He stated that a meeting of the Chamber of Commerce would be held this week to determine the status of these lots and also the disposition of them in the event that veterans are not planning to build.

It was decided to hold another meeting of the Merchants Association in early September.

AIR MAIL IS SOUGHT FOR COUNTY

Representative F. Ertel Carlyle this week asked Postmaster General Jesse M. Donaldson to help Robeson County obtain "adequate passenger and air mail service." Carlyle requested that Donaldson investigate the county's need of air mail and intervene in the Civil Aeronautics board hearing Sept. 26 of Lumberton's request for air routes.

"The Post Office department is paying a subsidy to many air lines to carry the mail, and I don't think it's fair to let the planes fly over a city as big as Lumberton without stopping," the congressman said in an interview. Lumberton is requesting service by two air lines: Eastern, flying between New York and Florida, and Piedmont, connecting Wilmington, N. C., with Louisville and Cincinnati. Although Eastern operates without a subsidy, Piedmont receives considerable government funds for carrying the mail, said Carlyle, who is a member of the House post office and civil service committee.

Carlyle said his constituents in his home town of Lumberton and the adjacent area are "greatly disturbed" because they pay for air mail service which they do not receive. Letters with air mail stamps reach their destination no sooner than those with ordinary postage, and sometimes later, he told a reporter. Writing the Postmaster General the Congressman said: "The city of Lumberton is completely surrounded with many large and important municipalities and they, too, urgently need and are entitled to passenger and mail service. There is no air mail service in that area although a large volume of air mail passes through the many post offices in that area. The mail is not actually transported by air and consequently, air mail postage is purchased from the Post Office department and used, but no air mail service is received. I know that you appreciate the seriousness of this situation. "I am respectfully requesting that you investigate the great need now existing for air mail service in that area and join with the City of Lumberton, or intervene in the hearing before the Civil Aeronautics board September 26, to the end that such air mail service as may be adequate be provided for the area of North Carolina. "I am confident that your assistance in this connection will be of great aid in obtaining the air mail service for that area which has been so urgently needed, and so long neglected. I shall thank you very much indeed, for your assistance in this connection."

278 Miles Of Robeson Roads Slated For Paving Projects

High Winds Sweep County

The tail end of a hurricane which wrecked parts of Florida last week-end swept across Robeson County all day Sunday, damaging crops and buildings. Several towns experienced power failures during the day. Corn and cotton were the crops hardest hit by the storm but no estimate of the farm damage could be made his week. The speed of the wind was estimated at from 30 to 40 miles per hour although the county experienced several gusts that reached a velocity of as high as 60 miles per hour.

Telephone Office Now At Red Springs

MAXTON—R. M. Gupton, local manager of the Carolina Telephone and Telegraph Company, announced last week that the company's business office would be moved from Maxton to Red Springs at 105 West 3rd Avenue, on Thursday, September 1st. Accounts for both Red Springs and Maxton will be handled by this new office. For the convenience of Maxton subscribers, Mr. Gupton stated that effective today (Thursday) payments of all future statements may be made to Russell Hellekson at the State Bank in Maxton, or by mailing them to the Carolina Telephone and Telegraph Company in Red Springs. For business transactions with the company on or after September 1st, Maxton subscribers will call Red Springs 9000 collect.

Mr. Gupton further stated that office hours for the new business office will be 8:30 a. m. to 11:45 a. m. and 1:00 p. m. to 5:00 p. m., Monday through Friday, with the office closed on Saturdays. For several years the business office of the Carolina Telephone and Telegraph Company has been located at the Maxton telephone office, above Carroway's Store.

Miss Armstrong Joins Church As Child's Worker

Miss Julia Ann Armstrong began her work September 11 as children's worker with the First Baptist Church of Lumberton. The church is opening a kindergarten September 7 under the direction of Miss Armstrong. She will serve as director of children's work in the new Children's Building now being completed by the church.

Miss Armstrong comes to Lumberton from Peabody College for Teachers in Nashville, Tenn., where she has been studying for the past three years majoring in work with children. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Armstrong of Asheville. Graduating in 1944 from the Lee Edwards High School in Asheville, Miss Armstrong studied for a year in a junior college in Asheville and then spent two years working in a kindergarten in that city. She has been active in children's work in Calvary Baptist Church, Asheville, and in the Buncombe Baptist Association. She has served on the faculty of the Ridgecrest Baptist Assembly conducting courses in creative activities for children. While in college she has been an active member of the Baptist Student Union and Student Christian Association.

Maxton School Bus Drivers

MAXTON—All Maxton students who are interested in being certified as school bus drivers will have an opportunity to take the drivers' test on Thursday and Friday, Sept. 1st and 2nd. Those students planning to take the test should report to the county garage at Lumberton on Thursday or Friday mornings at nine o'clock.

John Allen McLean

RED SPRINGS—Funeral services were conducted Monday afternoon at the graveside for John Allen McLean, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. James Dickson McLean, Jr. The services were in charge of the Rev. Graham Eubank, pastor of Trinity Methodist Church. The child was born Friday in a Fayetteville hospital and died Sunday in Wilmington. needed, and so long neglected. I shall thank you very much indeed, for your assistance in this connection."

Lumberton Tobacco

LUMBERTON—With its average still well above \$50, and with choice cutters and wrappers soaring all the way from 61c to near \$1, this old reliable Border Belt Capital steamed past the 20-million mark early this week, and hit the 3rd lap toward its season goal of 30 millions. The opening of the new Sandhills Belt Monday did not seem to have any more effect on the local leaf center than did the Eastern opening. Lumberton sailed a full steam ahead with capacity sales of 1,000,000 pounds and up every day, and with prices as high or higher than ever. In fact, many experts and old-timers in the game declared that the prices this week and last were the highest of the whole season, grade for grade, and that it was only the large percentage of heavy leaf, common tips, and green wet baskets that kept the average from being even higher. Thus, fancy cutters recently hit a new season high of \$67.8, while choice wrappers continued to soar from \$70 all the way to \$100. Select leaf remained firm at \$64-66, while even medium grades were steady in the \$50's, and green grades were the "highest ever" at \$30 to \$46. Numbers of satisfied customers have been racking up averages from \$63 to \$65 for their whole sales, but the two highest farmers bills which have been brought to the newspapers' attention, so far, were those turned in by Kelmer and Ed Hunt, both tenants of Pitt Allen. Kelmer just sold four piles this week-end, but each was the maximum 300-pounds, and one brought 65c, two 68c and one 80c for a total of \$843.00 and a cool average of \$70.25 per cwt. Ed sold 1,202 pounds for an average of \$68.49. Both live between McDonald and Fairmont. The last official Weekly Sales Report from Supervisor M. R. Alexander revealed that Lumberton sold 188,378,403 pounds in the first 19 selling days (up to this week) for a total of \$9,279,740.96 and an Official Government Average of \$50.49.

Guyot To Attend NCEA Conference

MAXTON—Harold M. Guyot, president of the Robeson County Chapter of the North Carolina Educational Association, will represent the county at the annual leaders' conference of the NCEA to be held at Catawba College in Salisbury Sept. 2nd, 3rd and 4th. The conference will begin with an evening session on Friday, Sept. 2nd, and close with a breakfast session on Sunday morning. NCEA leaders from the national, state and county level will attend the conference. Persons at work on U. S. farms at the end of July totaled 11,800,000 compared with 12,100,000 a year ago.

PEMBROKE FAIR STARTS MONDAY; TUESDAY WILL BE FARMERS DAY

PEMBROKE—All is in readiness for the opening of the third annual Pembroke-Robeson County fair which will open Monday with a week-long program of fun and entertainment. Many exhibits have been entered already and there will be 15 rides and shows on the midway, it was announced by General Manager Harry West Locklear. Tuesday, Sept. 6, has been set aside as Farmers Day at the fair and the gates will be open from 9 A. M. until midnight. The program will consist of judging livestock after which there will be a lecture demonstration on the outstanding qualities of those animals appearing in the show. The judging will be done by a team from N. C. State College. Dr. Hague, a veteran in the field of Animal Husbandry will instruct the farmers on the proper procedure in approaching the livestock program in the South. Mules and horses will be shown on Tuesday only. Swine, poultry and other livestock will remain throughout the week. Adequate facilities will be arranged for taking care of all livestock, according to an announcement by English Jones, agriculture teacher of Pembroke High School.

Aerial Show Sunday

MAXTON—The big air show which was postponed on Sunday because of the inclement weather, is scheduled for this Sunday, Sept. 4th, and to be held at the Laurinburg-Maxton Air Base under the sponsorship of the Scotland County Flying Service and the Maxton Lions Club, who will handle tickets for the show. The two-hour aerial exhibition will start at three o'clock in the afternoon and a good deal of talent has been assembled, including an airplane that lands on an automobile, high speed aerobatics with smoke trails, and an airplane pick-up a man from a car. There will be twelve spectacular acts with all types of planes, including jets. Featured pilots, all nationally known, will be Ben Huntley Phay Daughtry, Ted Woods and the Thrasher Brothers, with Haskell A. Deaton of Charlotte, as the commentator and announcer for the event. Arrangements are being made with the airport to park all cars adjacent to the runways free of charge so that spectators may see the show to the best advantage. The Thrasher Brothers of Elberton, Ga., will present a series of automobile-airplane thrilling acts which have been featured at the largest air meets in the country. Parachute jumps will also be scheduled as well as comedy features and other thrilling and unbelievable acts.



THE REPUBLIC F-84 Jet Fighter will appear at the Maxton Air Show Sunday afternoon, Sept. 4. The Jets will be piloted by the most well trained pilots of the United States Air Force. They will fly close formation at low altitude, and will demonstrate the record speed by buzzing the airport at close to 700 miles per hour.

Two hundred and 78 miles of Robeson County roads are slated to be hard-surfaced in the first step of North Carolina's \$200,000,000 road improvement program.

Work on many of the roads will get underway immediately and paving completed before the advent of cold weather, District Highway Commissioner George S. Coble said today.

Coble said selection of the hard-surfacing projects had been made following visits to each of the counties in each county, extensive on-the-scene surveying of the roads and long conferences with each board of county commissioners.

A special yardstick for selecting roads was set up, he said, based on factors which he and his engineers considered would guarantee attention to the "highest priority" roads first. Factors considered under the yardstick system were school bus routes, traffic counts, recommendations from county commissioners, petitions from delegations, number of persons living along the road, feeder roads and relation of the road to the highway system.

The roads selected have been reviewed by each group of county commissioners and they have approved the system used. The Sixth Division Commissioner said preliminary work has already begun in all nine counties on the building program. Many of the roads will be completed before the winter weather. He set no definite time limit on completing the first phase of the construction program. "We will move along as quickly as we can," he said. "As soon as this part of the program is well along, we will announce the second group of roads to be improved. The stabilization program will be carried on along with the hard-surfacing jobs." Special master maps have been made for each county showing roads to be hard-surfaced and factors used in selecting these roads. The various factors are shown in different colors. By using this system, Coble said, any interested citizen can be shown

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New School Supervisors Expected Today

LUMBERTON—Supt. E. E. Lohr stated today that Miss Margie Caldwell of Dillon, and Mrs. Estelle E. Eaton of Winston-Salem are expected to arrive in this city on Thursday, Sept. 1, to take up their work as elementary school supervisors of the three city school units of Lumberton, Fairmont and Red Springs.

Miss Caldwell received her Masters Degree from the University of North Carolina a few days ago. She has been an elementary school supervisor for two or three years. Dillon County, S. C., after having successful experience of teaching both in North Carolina and South Carolina. Miss Caldwell will serve the three units as a helping teacher, spending two days per week in Lumberton, two days a week in Fairmont, and one day each week in Red Springs. Through the help of Miss Caldwell and the elementary school principals, Mr. Lohr stated that he hoped the quality of instruction would be improved. The headquarters of Miss Caldwell will be in the Joe P. Moore building here in Lumberton.

Mrs. Eaton is the elementary school supervisor for the Negro schools for the three city units. She will establish headquarters at the new South Lumberton school on the Fairmont Road, and will serve in the three city units on the same schedule as that of the white supervisor. Mrs. Eaton has her Masters Degree, and for the last two years, has been critic teacher in Tuskegee College of Alabama. The base salary of these two supervisors will be taken care of by the state of North Carolina just as any regular state allotted teacher.

With two new buildings and an elementary school supervisor for the Negro schools of Lumberton, noticeable progress will doubtless be made by the Negro school children of this community, Mr. Lohr said.

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