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EDUCATION BOARD TO STAY WITHIN BUDGET

Donate Old School House To Boy Scouts; To Select Site For Colored School.

The county board of education met on last Monday with all members present except Mr. Gibson, who was prevented from attending on account of a frozen radiator on his car. The board made the hearts of the Boy Scouts happy by donating the old Glenecho school building to them. They will tear the building down and move it to a lot that has been leased to them. The board figured that the building would be worth very little as it stands and they showed a very fine spirit in donating it to the boys who are growing into fine citizens through the valuable training that they receive in the Boy Scout organization. The board is to be commended for their thought and interest of the boys and it is certain that the abandoned building will now be put to valuable service.

The board voted to allow one week for the Christmas holidays beginning at 12 o'clock on the 20th, and opening up on the 30th. They felt that this would give sufficient time since there will be a great number of children who will be needed on the farms in the spring.

Mr. M. W. McLean, Mr. W. F. Townsend, and the county superintendent were appointed to select a site for a colored school in Little River Township for the Frye's Mission school.

The board voted to hold to the ruling as had been adopted about the truck routes. At a former meeting it was decided that where a family lives three-quarters of a mile or more that the truck go for the children in the morning and let them walk in the afternoon. If a family lives less than three-quarters of a mile the truck is not to go for them. The Equalizing Board will allow funds within a radius of one and a half miles of the school or from the truck route. The board feels that they are reasonable when they cut that half and allow a truck to go for children who may be three-quarters of a mile or more, on the morning trip. The budget will not permit going to everybody's house. The board is required to live within the approved budget and it was not made for sufficient funds to make the side trips. There has to be a limit at some point and the ruling has been made in accordance with the budget. It would take more funds for operating the trucks if they tried to go to every home. The budget cannot be changed after it is approved and it is likely that the transportation item will not be sufficient after practicing all economy possible. The board is doing all they can and unless the funds were sufficient they will not be able to change the rule adopted. It is hoped that every one will cooperate with the efforts of the board in economizing everywhere it is possible. The rule applies to all parts of the county and no one should expect special privileges. The board can not allow the trucks to take one family to their homes where they are not on the route without allowing all to be treated the same way. So those who live less than three-quarters of a mile are not entitled to have the truck go to their homes unless they live on the route.

The board asked the commissioners for a loan of an amount not to exceed \$5,000.00 in order to pay the teachers for the month ending before Christmas.

Raeftord People Attend Ball Games

The Thanksgiving holidays passed off very quietly in Raeftord and Hoke County, one very favorable feature being the absence of automobile wrecks. Large crowds from the county attended the Carolina-Virginia game at Chapel Hill and saw the University of this state triumph over the Old Dominion by the score of 41 to 7. Others attended the Davidson-Duke game at Davidson in which Davidson was the winner by the nerve-breaking score of 13 to 12.



Arch McLean Weds In Florida Town

Of widespread interest to friends and relatives in Hoke County is the following announcement:

"Mr. and Mrs. Earl Wagner announced the marriage of their daughter, Irene, to Mr. Arch W. McLean, on Saturday the sixth of July, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-nine, Dade City, Florida. At home 802 East Turner Street, Clearwater, Florida."

Mr. McLean is the son of Mr. and Mrs. M. W. McLean of this place, having moved to Florida a few years ago where he is in the wholesale grocery business. He has many friends and relatives here who are much interested in his marriage. Mrs. McLean was a trained nurse and took a prominent part in girls' work prior to her marriage, having been entertained at the White House on one occasion in connection with this work.

Cockeyed World Coming To Sn. Pines

A new type of picture will take its bow at the Carolina Theatre, Southern Pines, on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, December 5th, 6th, and 7th, with a Saturday matinee at 3 in the form of "The Battle of Paris," which will remind most ex-service men of very pleasant memories. Gertrude Lawrence, musical-comedy star, who combines beauty, grace, voice, humor, dignity, acting ability and immense charm into such a delightful hodge-podge that you can't resist her appeal.

"The Battle of Paris" is a gay story of the lighter side of the war and the doughboys who made "whoopie" in the world famous capital of the bright lights. It is an all singing and dancing hit with a host of well known stars. In "The Battle of Paris" you will not only see the gay carefree city at play but you will hear many of the air that were popular at that time, such as "Madelon," "Tipperary," "Over There," "Madelon" from Armentiers, and "Montezuma," in addition to a number of new songs written for Miss Lawrence in this picture.

And then, from Monday, December 9th to Thursday, Dec. 12th, inclusive, with a matinee on Tuesday at 2, the Southern Pines Theatre will be taxed to its capacity with people from all over the section who have been waiting for the world's greatest laugh picture, "The Cockeyed World," with Victor McLaglen and Edmund Lowe, the two "buddies" of "What Price Glory" fame, who return with new loves, new tricks. Now you can hear the riotous Flagg and Quirt as they fool, frolic and fume with the other's sweethearts from Siberia to the Tropics. You laughed when you imagined their dialogue in "What Price Glory," now you'll roar when you actually hear them in "The Cockeyed World." One half the seats are now reserved every night show and these may be secured by phone, letter or person at the Broad Street Pharmacy, Southern Pines, and will be held at the Theatre Box Office if payment is guaranteed.

Drove of Deer Seen In Reservation

While returning from Little River Township, last Friday through the Fort Bragg reservation, Messrs J. B. Thomas, C. E. Upchurch and son, Clyde, Jr., had the good fortune to see a drove of deer between the Johnson Mountain and the head of Flat Creek which makes the mouths of hunters water. There were seven in the herd, close to the road, and among them were some old bucks with horns that looked like chairs on their heads. They were not frightened by the car apparently, and leisurely moved away after the car was stopped and the occupants got out. Later in the day this party saw two other deer on the South side of the reservation, making a total of nine seen in less than a half hour.

FIFTY DOLLARS REWARD will be paid as part of the court cost, to be paid to the person who furnishes to the State sufficient evidence to convict any Hoke for setting fire to the woods in Hoke county.

Hunters are warned to be careful with their smoking. Night hunters are required to clean a place 3 feet in diameter before making a fire, and must see that it is out before leaving. All violators of the forest fire laws will be prosecuted. We have had three big fires already this fall due to negligence. Let's be careful with our fires and warn others of the damage and expense they may cause for lack of a little thinking.

H. R. McLean, County Warden.

KILLS FAT PORKER

Mr. W. M. Monroe, Jr., a successful farmer of McLauchlin Township, reports killing a porker recently that was 345 days old and tipped the scales at 388-1/2 dressed. That is more than one pound for each day of age and going some. Who will be next?

To Occupy Prison Stockade January 1

The Board of Commissioners for Hoke County met in regular monthly session on Monday with Messrs J. A. McDiarmid, Arch McGill, N. H. G. Balfour and S. J. Cameron present. Routine matters were disposed of as usual. County auditor J. A. McGowan was authorized to purchase three Ford trucks for the use of the county road force, these trucks to be used in hauling prisoners and sand. Mr. McGowan thought these on Tuesday from H. A. Page, Jr., local Ford dealer.

A request from the Board of Education for a loan of \$5000 to pay off the teachers of the county before Christmas was granted. At present the commissioners are leasing the prisoners of the county to the commissioners of Harnett county while the stockade is being built. Work on the stockade is progressing rapidly and will be turned over to the county by January the first, at which time these prisoners, sixteen in number, will be brought back to work the roads of this county.

Dan Maxwell, who left with an 18 months sentence some time ago for abandoning his wife and children and who was brought back from Pennsylvania last week by Sheriff Hodgkin, appeared before the commissioners and made a request that he be allowed to take his family to Pennsylvania with him. No action was taken by the board.

Pinehurst Theatre To Re-open Monday

Monday, Dec. 9th, will be another gala night long to be remembered in the Sandhills. On this night the Pinehurst Theatre will re-open with the Southern Premiere of Maurice Chevalier's beautiful production, "The Love Parade," reproduced over the famous DeForest Talking Equipment. "The Love Parade" is now running to capacity business at the Criterion Theatre, New York, where it will remain until probably the first of March and will not be shown elsewhere until after that date, except at this Pinehurst opening.

Dr. Lee DeForest, the famous inventor of the original Audion Tube, which made Radio and Talking Pictures possible, will be in Pinehurst in person and will make a short talk on "The Miracle of Sound."

The North and South Carolina Theatre Owners Association which is convening at the Carolina Hotel at the same time, will attend the performance in a body and many other nationally known leaders of the industry will be in the audience. "The Love Parade" is acclaimed by the New York critics and public as one of the greatest triumphs of the talking screen.

Reserved seats are now on sale at the Carolina Hotel and Carolina Pharmacy. There will be but one show, starting at 8:15 p. m.

BAZAAR AT WAGRAM

Ladies of the Sunday School of the Presbyterian church at Wagram will have a bazaar in a vacant store room in Wagram on Wednesday, Dec. 11th. Booths where fancy work and other articles will be sold will open at 3 p. m. and beginning at 5 p. m. supper will be served. The public is invited. Proceeds are for benefit of the Presbyterian church.

Raeftord Colored School Progressing

The committee and parents of the Raeftord graded school, colored, are well pleased with the faculty this year. We have already realized that the school is progressing by the large attendance. Our most worthy and efficient principal, Prof. D. P. Scurlock with his strong and enthusiastic faculty have just completed their first drive in the form of a school fair, which was a success in spite of the unfavorable weather. This purpose of our drives is to raise money for addition to the building and also necessary equipment. We had six students in the popularity contest and prizes were awarded to two students that raised the largest amount. The amounts raised by these two were as follows: Irene Evans, \$15.75; Lenora McNair, \$15.60. The proceeds of the fair, including the contest, amounted to \$30.00. We are saying to Prof. Scurlock and faculty, go forward, we are to your back.

LILLY MAE GRACE DIES TUESDAY

Lilly Mae Grace, colored, who was living on Mr. Lee Bethune's farm died Tuesday November 26th of tuberculosis. She was 27 years of age and single. Interment was made at Silver Grove church Wednesday the 27th.

CARD OF THANKS

I take this method of thanking by neighbors and friends for their kindness and help during the illness and death of my beloved wife. D. M. Campbell and family.

No Liquor Cases Before Recorder

Six cases were up for trial in Recorder's Court Tuesday, none of which involved intoxicating liquors in any way, a rather unusual thing. James Bright Lee, young white man of the Rockfish section, living just over the line in Cumberland, was indicted for breaking and entering the store of Mr. W. T. Boseman at Rockfish on the night of October 29th and taking goods to the value of about fifteen dollars, including some money from the post office which is in the same building. The only evidence against Lee was a peculiar track which led from the store to his home, which was followed by Deputy W. O. Dudley. Young Lee produced the shoes to Mr. Dudley and the shoe apparently made the track A United States Commissioner sat in at the hearing and stated that he would issue a Federal warrant against the young man on account of the post office robbery. Lee was bound over to the January term of Superior court under a five hundred dollar bond. Another case against him charged him with shooting squirrels out of season. He entered a plea of guilty to this charge and was taxed with the costs. Lacy Williams, young colored man, was charged with forcible trespass, the removing of a horse taken up and held for keep after he had been ordered not to do so. His attorney raised the point of his age and his mother was put on the stand to prove that he was under sixteen. Her evidence with the school register caused the case to be remanded to the Juvenile Court. Adell Watson and Abraham Jones were tried on a charge of forcible trespass, it being alleged that they went on the premises of one Ross and took two heads of collards. The case was dismissed for insufficient evidence. Adell Watson who pleaded guilty last week to a charge of an assault with a deadly weapon, was given six months on the roads. He also was ordered to serve a remaining nine which was hanging over him on account of having escaped from the Wayne County roads after serving but 3 of a twelve months sentence. Quincy Smith, charged with embezzling from the Home Pride Store and was found bound over to the Superior Court.

Sheriff Hodgkin Goes To Pennsylvania

Sheriff D. H. Hodgkin, accompanied by W. W. Roberts, went to Montchanin, Pa., last Wednesday to bring D. A. Maxwell who was being held in that town for the authorities here under an indictment for abandonment. They made the trip in the Sheriff's car returning to Raeftord Friday evening.

Getting Ready To Take The Census

Mr. W. C. Downing, of Fayetteville who is chairman of the 11th District of the Census Enumerators, was in Raeftord Tuesday making arrangements to begin this work about January 1st, 1930. Of course the work of enumerating the population will not begin before April 1st, but it is the plan of the government to enumerate the commercial, manufacturing and agricultural part of the work first and have this complete before beginning the other. Mr. Downing says that eleven persons will be needed for Hoke County and he is ready to receive applications. There are seven counties in the 11th district composed of Bladen, Brunswick, Cumberland, Columbus, Hoke, Robeson and Scotland.

Hoke Has Small Number Tax Suits

There were around one hundred tax suits filed in Superior Court for the collection of delinquent taxes up to Saturday night, the time limit set by law for beginning these suits. There were more than this but a great many have arranged to pay up and stop proceedings while others will likely be doing this after this date. A comparison with some of the other counties indicates that the number in Hoke county is the smallest of any county hereabouts. It is said that there are eleven hundred in Cumberland, two thousand in Mecklenburg and about eleven hundred in Wake. Robeson county is said to have started over one thousand suits.

SOME TATER

Various and sundry individuals have been exhibiting large sweet potatoes in the banks and stores of Raeftord this fall and Mr. Percy English came near stopping the contest when he left one weighing nine and one-quarter pounds at the Home Pride Store. However Mr. M. M. Culbreth wouldn't stand for any such and politely produced one that tipped the scales at ten and a quarter. Next, please. (Editor's note: These scales should be tested. They are evidently the ones Mr. Cap Conolly sells by.)

Weather Last Week Not Very Boring

Mentioning the weather sometimes indicates that one is bored but the type of weather handed out during the past week in this county was anything but boring. After several days of rain the earlier part of last week the sun came out Wednesday and Thursday and Thanksgiving day was beautiful. Friday morning was colder and by night the mercury was dropping at a rapid rate. This fall continued through the night and Saturday morning was by far the coldest of the season, some folks reporting the mercury as low as eighteen. Many frozen cars and water systems resulted from this sudden drop, folks evidently not anticipating such a sudden change. Rain Monday and continued cold makes the past week one to be remembered.

Negro Charged With Death of Soldier

Ed McLean, negro, is in Cumberland county jail charged with the death of Floyd T. Easley, private Battery A, Fifth Field Artillery, Fort Bragg. The soldier was walking on highway No. 53 near Manchester Saturday afternoon, and was struck by an automobile alleged to have been driven by McLean. The driver of the car did not stop after striking the soldier, but was arrested Saturday night at Overhills.

LYDIA McLEAN DIES

Lydia McLean, colored woman who lived on Mr. J. D. Mason's farm died Tuesday November 26th of paralysis and was buried at Silver Grove colored church Wednesday. She was a widow, her husband having died two years ago. She was about 48 years of age and is survived by several children.

Duke Blue Devils Preparing For Game With Carolina Sat'd'y

Durham, Dec. 2.—The backs of the Blue Devils are to the wall but their forks are sharp, their teeth grinding viciously and all in all a busy afternoon may be expected by the Tarheels of Carolina, when the two state rivals meet Saturday afternoon in the handsome new stadium at Duke.

There was little moaning over the game lost at Davidson Thanksgiving day afternoon. The Blue Devils instead came back home fighting mad. Saturday the biggest mass meeting in the history of Duke was held and the team was given a vote of confidence by the 1200 men present. Enthusiasm is running high with pep meetings every night this week.

Duke has been pointed to the Carolina game for weeks and may be expected to stage a much better game than that against Davidson. Duke beat Louisiana State University 32 to 6 this year while the season's Southern Conference champion, Tulane, won over L. S. U. by the narrower margin of 21 to 0. Duke was pointed to L. S. U. and after that game was out of the way the coaches pointed to Carolina. Duke took on State, Wake Forest and Davidson without special preparation.

The Devils have only one casualty, Fred Taylor, the big guard, who has a twisted knee. Taylor won't be in the game.

Captain Henry Kistler, Nick Warren, Mel Peeler, Bob Thorne, Ock Godfrey and Sam Buie are playing their last games Saturday.

Several of Carolina's varsity men are also getting ready for their last game.

Carolina rates three or more touchdowns better than Duke but does means little in this game. Duke always has played much better football against Carolina than against any other opponent. And the Tarheels, on the other hand, always have had plenty of trouble with Duke.

Each school sees this annual game as the most important on its schedule and a battle royal is expected Saturday.

The ticket sale is big and the new stadium may be nearly filled Saturday.

Fairbanks-Young In "Forward Pass"

The football season will open at the Red Springs Theatre Monday and Tuesday, and what a season it will prove to be!

In other words, a festive Fall will be really ushered in by the first showing of "The Forward Pass," the First National and Vitaphone all-dialogue picture of campus love and flying pigskins, in which Douglas Fairbanks, Jr. and Loretta Young are co-featured.

This pair, the youngest screen team are ideally cast in the story and really look and act like college youngsters, even in the midst of a cast that is composed largely of real college boys and girls.

CHRISTMAS CHEER FUND IS STARTED HERE

Several Families In Community In Great Need; Committee From Kiwanis and Women Clubs Calls For Donations.

Monday afternoon, a committee from the Woman's club met with a committee from the Kiwanis club in the office of Supt. Hawfield and laid plans for creating a Christmas Cheer Fund. The committee from the Woman's club consisted of Mrs. Ryan McBryde, Mrs. John L. McLeod, Mrs. Hector McBryde, Mrs. H. L. Gatlin and Mrs. H. A. Cameron. The committee from the Kiwanis club consisted of W. E. Freeman, W. P. Hawfield, Dr. H. R. Cromatic, and Dr. R. L. Murray. Different members told of many cases of actual want in the community, some of which were pitiful in the extreme. One case was of a family in which the father has recently died, leaving a widow and six children under the age of sixteen. Their club was almost a total failure and they are in dire need of the bare necessities of life. Another case is at the cotton mill where a mother is trying to support a husband who has been sick for months, a grand father and three small children. Her only income is from part time in the mill and it is reported that this will be cut off for some time. They need food, clothing and fuel. These are just two cases out of a great many that the committee members know of. Their object is to relieve suffering as far as they can and when possible to leave some little reminder of Christmas in such homes at Christmas time. They are asking the public for cash, food, clothing and bed clothing and ask that contributions over and over be left at Freeman Furniture Stores on or before December 10th. A list of contributors will be published each week in The News-Journal. It is believed that everyone who possibly can will make some contribution to this cause which should touch the heart of even the coldest. Cash contributions may be made to any member of the committees and other articles should be left with Mr. Freeman. There are thirty-five on Hoke County's pauper roll who get help from the county. These committees hope to be able to give them some remembrance at Christmas if the funds will permit.

These committees also expressed the hope that other communities in the county would organize committees for this purpose and The News-Journal expressed a willingness to publish other list as well. Those knowing of cases needing the attention of these committees are asked to report them.

Bodies Of War Dead Home From Siberia

New York, Nov. 29.—War veterans fathers of families, most of them, approaching middle age, some of them grown stout and a little gray, gathered on a pier today to receive the bodies of the last of their comrades come home from the battle grounds.

Around the flag draped walls of a baggage firm were ranged 74 caskets of American soldiers back from Siberia after a journey of more than half way around the world.

Over one casket, the 75th, set apart from the rest and containing the body of a hero whose identity must forever be unknown, prayers were said, an oration was delivered, and soldiers fired a volley. From among 24 unidentified this body was selected to receive the tribute accorded them all.

More than a decade ago on the dreary Siberian tundra they fought shoulder to shoulder, these veterans of the World War, not doughboys any more now, and those youngsters whose remains came back to their own country today.

For more than 10 years the 75, cut down in their youth, were to lie in lonely graves along the rivers that wind sluggishly through the white Siberian wastes until their comrades could go back and get them.

