

SCHOOL NEWS

The Board of Education at its regular meeting on Tuesday set the dates for the opening of the schools of the county for our first 9 months term. They are as follows:

White schools will open on Sept. 27th and close on June 1st. During this time at the discretion of the principals, there will be school on 8 Saturdays.

The Negro schools will open on October 25th and close on June 13th, teaching 16 Saturdays.

The Indian schools will open October 25th and close on June 13th teaching 16 Saturdays.

At the same time the Board adopted the budget for the year 1943-44 and ordered it submitted to the Board of County Commissioners for their approval with the request that a levy of 38 cents be made. This was the same as last year's levy.

The Superintendent and County Auditor reported to the Boards that the funds were in hand for the retirement of \$29,000.00 worth of bonds coming due this month. The teacher list was approved for the year. The Superintendent reported that all but

3 vacancies were filled. The Board approved the insurance values and ordered that the insurance be written.

Alexander Geddie, principal of the Bridges Grove Negro school, has been inducted into the army and has submitted his resignation.

New Income Tax Payment System Effective Now

Washington, July 1.—The government today inaugurates the most thorough-going innovation ever introduced into the nation's tax collection system—a 20 per cent tax to be withheld from the wages and salaries of most United States citizens before they receive their pay. The law is effective for the first pay period beginning on or after July 1, meaning that there will be no deductions from paychecks covering any part of June.

The withholding levy is part of the broad, new pay-as-you-go tax plan adopted by Congress and signed into law by President Roosevelt after one of the most vigorous and prolonged battles in Congressional history.

RURAL PEOPLE READY TO SPEND \$786,000,000 FOR AUTOMOBILES

(FROM THE AMERICAN PRESS)

In rural America alone—the farms and towns of under 10,000 population—there will be an immediate market, as soon as the war ends, for about \$786,000,000 worth of automobiles, \$2,500,000,000 worth of new homes, \$430,000,000 worth of household appliances, and \$350,000,000 worth of home furnishings, computations based on a nationwide survey made by the U. S. Chamber of Commerce indicate.

The Chamber of Commerce survey was completed at the end of 1943. The above figures are based on the proportion of each type of goods which were sold in rural America when the 1939 census was taken, together with other information which would influence sales to rural America. Thus, in the case of automobiles, the census of 1939 showed that 32.7% of sales in small towns is therefore estimated at 33.7% of that figure.

MANY INTANGIBLES

These figures can only give a guess-work indication of the actual rural market after the war, however, for there are many intangible factors which must be taken into consideration. In the case of automobiles again, that figure may give a fairly close picture of the probable orders dealers in small towns will get the month the war ends, but it does not include the purchases of automobiles rural people will make in the larger towns.

In the case of appliances, it is expected that rural sales will be

much higher than before the war because of the spread of rural electrification. Many of the farm families who have only within the last two or three years had electricity have never been able to purchase the appliances they will want as soon as they are available.

The survey of the Chamber of Commerce shows that 58% of farmers who own their own homes are planning major improvements to their property after the war. 452,000 farmers plan to build outbuildings, 396,000 are planning to repair barns, 296,000 will build new barns, 266,000 will build or repair fences, 147,000 will repair tenant houses, 105,000 will paint buildings, 87,000 will build new tenant houses and 2,800,000 will make miscellaneous improvements.

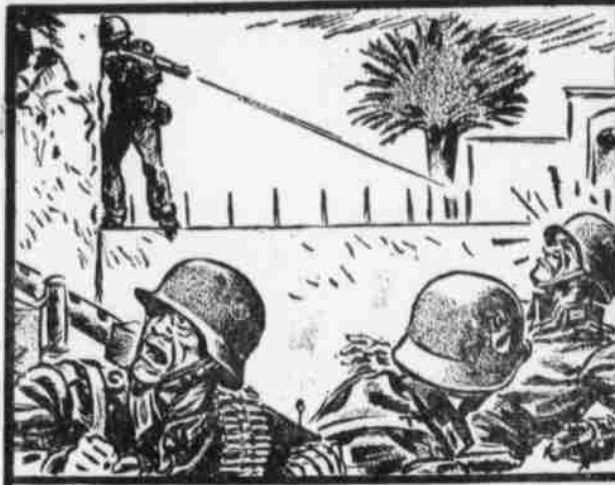
As to the amount they will spend for these repairs, 20% intend to spend over \$500, 52% will spend between \$100 and \$500 and 28% will spend \$100 or less. This means an immediate postwar home and farm improvement market of at least \$6,000,000,000.

As for the present financial set-up of the people in the rural areas, 31% reported that they are better off today than they were before the war, 46% are as well off and only 23% reported that they were worse off. Furthermore, 40% feel that they have more to spend for non-essentials than they did before the war, 31% feel that they have about the same and 29% say they have less.

It was also found that 53% of rural families are saving money at the present time which they can spend for postwar purchases.

AMERICAN HEROES

BY LEFF



Because he scaled the walls of the fortification at Kasha-Mehdia, French Morocco, and from that hazardous position diverted the attention of the enemy with his rifle fire, enabling our troops to enter through the main gates of the fort, Pfc. C. L. Mohler was awarded the Distinguished Service Cross. He risked his life for you. How many more Bonds and Stamps can you afford, to help him? Figure it out yourself.

U. S. Treasury Department

REPORT OF CONDITION OF THE BANK OF RAEFORD

of Raeford, in the State of North Carolina at the close of business on June 30, 1943.

ASSETS	
Loans and Discounts	\$218,809.51
United States Government Obligations, direct and Guaranteed	559,664.06
Obligations of States and political subdivisions	83,708.28
Cash, balances with other banks, including reserve balances, and cash items in process of collection	481,091.49
Bank premises owned \$12,915.07, furniture and fixtures \$3,270.97	16,186.04
Real estate owned other than bank premises	1.00
Other assets	2,957.49
TOTAL ASSETS	\$1,362,417.87
LIABILITIES	
Demand deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations	\$885,450.59
Time deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations	211,700.84
Deposits of United States Government (including postal savings)	122,367.79
Deposits of States and political subdivisions	43,282.54
Other deposits (certified and officers' checks, etc.)	869.63
TOTAL DEPOSITS	\$1,263,670.95
Other liabilities	3,044.51
TOTAL LIABILITIES (not including subordinated obligations shown below)	\$1,266,715.46
CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	
Capital*	\$25,000.00
Surplus	60,000.00
Undivided profits	10,702.41
TOTAL CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	95,702.41
Total Liabilities and Capital Accounts	\$1,362,417.87

*This bank's capital consists of common stock with total par value of \$25,000.00

MEMORANDA

Pledged assets (and securities loaned) (book value)
 (a) U. S. Government obligations, direct and guaranteed, pledged to secure deposits and other liabilities \$229,800.00
 (c) TOTAL 229,800.00

Secured and preferred liabilities
 (a) Deposits secured by pledged assets pursuant to requirements of law 229,800.00
 (c) TOTAL 229,800.00

Subordinated obligations
 (a) On date of report the required legal reserve against deposits of this bank was 173,080.00
 (b) Assets reported above which were eligible as legal reserve amounted to 481,091.00

I, W. A. McDonald, Asst. Cashier, of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true, and that it fully and correctly represents the true state of the several matters herein contained and set forth, to the best of my knowledge and belief.
 W. A. McDONALD.

Correct.—Attest:
 T. B. UPCHURCH, Jr. H. L. GATLIN
 J. B. THOMAS J. L. McNEILL,
 F. B. SEXTON Directors.

State of North Carolina, County of Hoke, ss.
 Sworn to and subscribed before me this 7th day of July, 1943, and I hereby certify that I am not an officer or director of this bank.

JESSIE B. FERGUSON, Notary Public.

My commission expires March 29, 1944.

Home-Canning Suggestions

Housewives doing home-canning with wartime jar caps are cautioned to follow explicitly the instructions of the cap manufacturers if they wish to avoid unhappy experiences and waste in their patriotic effort to conserve. Spoilage of food and breakage of jars is certain to result, if instructions are not followed to the letter.

Proper methods and careful canning will insure excellent results, more important in the present food situation than at any other time.

The Glass Top Seal fruit jar cap, a wartime product developed to conserve metal, requires careful use, according to the home service departments of fruit jar manufacturers. This cap consists of a metal band, glass lid and rubber ring. With these three widely varied materials making up its component parts, the cap must be used according to important but easily followed instructions. First of

all the cap is not recommended for and must not be used in oven canning.

If the food is processed (cooked in a jar), one inch of space must be left in the top of the jar when filled, in order to allow room for expansion. If an open kettle is used, one-half inch space must be left in the top of the jar.

The next step is to place the rubber around the projection on the bottom side of the lid must then be placed so that the rubber lies between it and the top edge of the jar. All jars on which top seal closures, either glass or metal, are used must have smooth top edges.

The band is then applied tightly and immediately loosened slightly, about one-quarter of a turn. Bands must fit loosely during the processing, or cooking. If an open kettle is used, the bands are to be screwed tight as soon as the jar is filled. After the processing is completed, the bands are screwed tight to complete the seal. The bands may be removed 12 hours after the canning operation. At no time should the filled jars be turned upside down.

TENTATIVE BUDGET

Tentative budget for 1943-44 period adopted by Town of Raeford, Board of Commissioners at their regular meeting held July 6th, 1943.

C. R. FREEMAN, Clerk.

ESTIMATED REVENUE.

Tax Revenue	\$20,000.00
Tax Penalties	200.00
Intangible Tax	250.00
Water Revenue	8,000.00
Water Taps	50.00
Labor and Materials sold	750.00
Key Charges	25.00
City Court	225.00
Cemetery House Rent	75.00
Miscellaneous Revenue	500.00
TOTAL	\$30,075.00

ESTIMATED EXPENSE.

Administrative Salaries	\$ 2,275.00
Police Department	3,220.00
Fire Department	500.00
Street Department Labor	1,750.00
Street Department Miscellaneous Expense	1,965.98
Water Department Labor	2,600.00
Water Department Miscellaneous Expense	1,296.70
Street Lights	1,796.04
Hoke County Library	200.00
Cemetery Labor	100.00
Municipal League Dues	21.28
Bond Maturities	6,000.00
Bond Interest	4,350.00
Sinking Fund	3,000.00
Miscellaneous Expenses	1,000.00
TOTAL	\$30,075.00

Farmers Asked To Send Sawlogs to War

By A. S. Knowles, County Agent.

Lumber is a critical war material. It is NOW urgently needed for war purposes. Many sawmills throughout North Carolina are now idle due to shortage of labor and logs. Farmers are being asked to help in meeting the shortage. We believe that the farmers of Hoke County can help and will be rendering a patriotic service in aiding to get out sawlogs.

Some mills operate seasonally and others are idle now due to lack of labor for cutting logs. Many of our farmers do not have large amounts of timber for sale. Yet there are many places in which a sawmill can be operated on a community basis by each farmer cutting a few trees—1,000, 5,000 or 10,000 board feet—and delivering the logs to a central point where a mill might be placed. A few spare days between crop seasons with farm labor and teams will send many sawlogs to war and help in winning this war and bringing an earlier peace. Every neighborhood leader can help in organizing a "Sawlog for War Program" in his or her community. We Are Asking Every Farmer who is willing and can cut a few logs on his own land or who is willing to aid his neighbors in cutting logs to report to the county agent's office. We will then endeavor to help you in getting a community sawmill located in your neighborhood.

Harvest Your Timber Wisely. Cut your timber with an eye to the future. We will need enormous quantities of lumber after the war is won. Don't cut your woodland destructively; leave it in condition to produce another timber harvest in a few years and provide a steady income. A good plan is to harvest all mature, marketable trees and thin the dense young stands in such a way that the remaining trees will make more rapid growth. Remember that a thrifty growing 10 to 12-inch tree will double in volume in ten years. Destructive Cutting is Not Necessary To Meet The Present Emergency.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Norton and small daughter, Harriet, of Selma and Mrs. Lila Snow of Wilmington spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Culbreth.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Townsend and Miss Mary Frances McNeill of Red Springs and Mr. H. M. Duncan of Asheboro visited Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Townsend during the weekend.

Mrs. W. R. Gray and daughter, Beatrice of Baltimore, Md. spent the holidays with Mrs. Gray's sisters, Miss Annie Moore and Mrs. Lula Butler.

LEGAL NOTICES

ADMINISTRATORS NOTICE

The undersigned, having qualified as administrator of the estate of the late W. D. Smith of Hoke County, hereby gives notice to all persons indebted to said estate to come forward and make settlement with the undersigned immediately; and all persons having claims against said estate will present the claim duly verified to the undersigned, on or before the 25th day of June, 1944 or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.
 This, June 25, 1943.
 James Johnson, Administrator of W. D. Smith, deceased.

4-10—Garvin.

ADMINISTRATRIX'S NOTICE

The undersigned, having qualified as administratrix of the estate of the late James Wiley Hewitt of Hoke County, hereby gives notice to all persons indebted to said estate to come forward and make settlement with the undersigned immediately; and all persons having claims against said estate will present the claim, duly verified, to the undersigned on or before the 30th day of June, 1944, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. This June 30th, 1943.
 MRS. JAMES W. HEWITT,
 Administratrix of James Wiley Hewitt.

4-10 Hewitt.

ADMINISTRATORS NOTICE

Having qualified as administrator of the estate of W. J. Long, late of Hoke County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the said estate to present them to me duly verified, on or before the 21st day of May, 1944, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

All persons indebted to the said estate will please make immediate settlement.

This 21st day of May, 1943.
 H. A. Long,
 Administrator, C. T. A.
 A. D. GORR, Atty.
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NOTICE OF TAX FORECLOSURE SALE

Pursuant to an order dated July 6, 1943, by the Clerk of Superior Court of Hoke County, N. C., I as commissioner will offer for sale at public auction at the courthouse door in Raeford, N. C., to the last and highest bidder for cash at 12 o'clock noon, on August 3rd, 1943, the following property, known as the Mary McAlister, deceased, estate:

In Antioch Township, Hoke County, N. C., and being the 10 acres devised by Ben McRae to his daughter, said Mary McAlister, as appears at page 44 of Book of Wills No. 1 in the office of Clerk of Superior Court of said County, to which reference is made for further details and description.
 Posted July 6, 1943.

ARTHUR D. GORE,
 5-8 Commissioner

SEE
RED ROBINS
 VS.

**THE WAKE FOREST
 ARMY FINANCE SCHOOL**

Sunday, July 11, 3:30

Batteries: Robbins—Bill Gates and Jim Moss
 W. F. A. F. S.—Stuka and Dawson

Robbins' Park
 Red Springs, N. C.