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## YOUR SCHOOL NEWS

By K. A. MacDonald

Schools opened last Thursday as scheduled and the opening day enrollment was 1141 as against 1038 the first day last year. The enrollments for the various schools individually, for 1951-52 and 1950-51 are as follows: Ashmont 106 and 116; Hoke High (including eighth grade) 362 and 338; Mildouson 79 and 62; Raeford Graded 503 and 421; Rockfish 91 and 101.

Monday the superintendent went to Raleigh and was able to secure the allotment of two additional teachers for the Raeford Graded School. These teachers will be employed at the earliest possible moment.

James M. Street of Buladean, N. C. a graduate of East Tennessee State College, has been secured to fill the vacancy as principal at Mildouson caused by the death of L. P. Hendrix. Mr. Street started on his duties Monday.

### Memorial Service Held

On Tuesday morning at the chapel exercises at Mildouson a memorial exercise in honor of the memory of Mr. Hendrix was held. Rev. P. O. Lee, pastor of the Raeford Methodist Church read the scripture and lead in prayer. Mrs. Jesse Gibson of the PTA, Rev. E. C. Taylor, pastor of Ephesus Baptist Church, and K. A. MacDonald made talks honoring Mr. Hendrix as a man, a Christian, and a school man. Mary Elizabeth Jones, representing the student body, read an appropriate poem. The county superintendent then introduced the new principal who made a few most appropriate remarks. We felt that the whole exercise was a most fitting, tribute to a man who had justly earned it.

Tomorrow afternoon at 2:30 there will be a meeting of principals and teachers held at Wagram. This meeting has been called by the State Department of Public Instruction for the purpose of discussing the reading program in Hoke and Scotland counties. Representatives of both counties will participate.

On next Tuesday, September 18, C. W. Blanchard, Director of the Division of Operation of Plant, State Board of Education, is holding a janitor's school at Hoke High school beginning at 9:30 a.m. Janitors, principals and superintendents from seventeen school units will be present.

On Friday, September 21, at 3:00 p.m. there will be held at Upchurch School a county-wide colored teacher's meeting. At this plans will be made for the opening of the colored schools on Monday, September 24.

On Saturday, September 22, at 9:00 a.m. in the superintendent's office there will be held a county wide Indian teacher's meeting for the purpose of making plans for the opening of the Indian school on Monday, September 24.

Building plans for the Raeford Graded addition, the Upchurch addition, and the Indian school are still bogged down in Raleigh. The Board of Education will meet again shortly to try to get them started.

### MAULTSBYS TO RALEIGH

Commitments were issued by the clerk of the Superior Court this week sending John and Jennings Maulsby to the State Hospital in Raleigh and the sheriff's department was looking for them yesterday to take them.

Application for admission of John Leonard Maulsby has been made but approval has not yet been received.

## County Has Second Traffic Fatality During September

Gathier Watkins, colored, was killed in a wreck near Arabia last Thursday, bringing to two the number of deaths due to automobiles during this month, the other occurring on Saturday, September 1, on Highway 15-A near Raeford. Watkins was a passenger in a 1947 DeSoto being driven by Guy Lombert, white man of Raeford, RFD 2, when Lambert apparently lost control of the car, which left the road on the left side and hit a tree. He was the only passenger once but was dead on arrival from and was brought to Raeford at a fractured skull.

The accident took place at about 11:00 o'clock in the morning about one mile east of Arabia.

Lambert is out under a bond of \$1000 pending inquest into the matter by the coroner. Inquest will be held at the courthouse tonight. The wreck was investigated by State Highway Patrolman D. G. Surratt.

## Paul A. McDuffie Dies In Washington

Paul A. McDuffie, 56-year-old native of this community and a resident of Washington, D. C. for many years, died in Emergency hospital there last Friday night. Funeral services and burial were at Arlington National cemetery as he was a veteran of the first World War.

He was a son of the late John G. and Isabelle McDuffie, a brother of the late William F. and John Gilbert McDuffie and a sister of Mrs. Alice McDuffie Brooks, all formerly of Raeford. He is survived by a son, John Warren McDuffie and several daughters, also a brother, John D. McDuffie, and sister, Mrs. E. R. Thomasson of Washington.

## 4-H Club Members To Broadcast Sat.

Five 4-H Club members, Mary McLean, Jerome Pickler, Frankie McDougald, Annie Blue Cameron and Hugh Wright, all members of the Hoke High School 4-H Club will put on a 15-minute broadcast over station WPTF in Raleigh, Saturday, September 15. The time of the broadcast is 12:45 p. m.

The club members will put on a citizenship program entitled, "Our Four Freedoms." The club members taking part on the program would like to invite their fellow club members as well as other people in the county to listen to their broadcast.

## LIBRARY NEWS

The Circus Reading Club, sponsored by Hoke County Public Library during the summer, was closed with a party for club members on Thursday afternoon, at the library. A miniature circus tent, colored paper streamers and balloons were used for decorations. Circus games were played and a book quiz conducted by Mrs. Bethune. During the summer the group was divided into "rings" with ring number two reading the largest number of books.

Mozel and Harriet Price, sisters, each read 72 books, and were presented a book. Mary Roberts, from ring one, was next highest, reading 68 books, and Belinda Elliott, for ring two, reading 56. Both were given clusters of balloons.

Booklets in the shape of elephants, containing the author and title of each book read, were given out to the members by Jane McKeithan, student assistant.

Certificates were given each boy and girl who read as many as ten books.

Refreshments consisting of pink lemonade and animal crackers were served.

Jane Sinclair came into the library as student assistant on September first, succeeding Jane McKeithan, who leaves for WC-UNC this week.

## Hoke High Opens Grid Schedule Friday Night

The Hoke County High school Bucks will take to the football field for the first time in the 1951 season against the usually strong Hamlet High team in Hamlet tomorrow night. Coach Bob Rockholz has been working the boys hard for about a month now, but the squad is made up mostly of young boys without much experience, and there are only 25 on the squad up to this time. Coach Rockholz expects more to report as soon as the farm work gets a little nearer completion. They are said to be looking quite well, everything considered, however.

Seven games have been scheduled so far, with a couple of dates yet to be filled. Due to a number of schools switching to six-man football it is becoming increasingly difficult to schedule games with nearby teams in the same class. Hamlet is a AA team.

Squad roster includes Sessoms, Holland, Edge, Culbreth, Clark, Lundy, Sappenfield, McLaughlin, Lovette, Glisson, Benner, Butler, Davis, Dixon, Brown, Setzer, McLeod, McCormick, McPhaul, Hall, Adams, Baggett, Clark, Glenn, Haywood Faircloth, George Russ and Jackson.

Freeman and John Campbell are assisting Coach Rockholz.

Schedule as it now stands is September 14, Hamlet there; 21, Mt. Olive there; 28, Fairmont here; October 5, open; 12, Massey Hill there; 19, Hope Mills there; 26, open; November 2, Erwin here; November 9, open; November 16, Spring Hope here.

## Coroner Sets \$1500 Bond In Death Case

Coroner James C. Lentz held an inquest into the death of Charlie Tew, colored, and found that he died on the night of Saturday, September 1, from being hit by a car driven by James Brown, colored.

He ordered Brown held for action by the grand jury on charges of manslaughter and hit-and-run driving. Bond was set at \$1500, in default of which Brown is in the county jail.

## Must Class Cotton To Get CCC Loan

There are two methods of obtaining government classification on 1951 crop cotton for use in obtaining CCC loans, W. L. Smith, chairman of the county PMA committee, said today.

The methods are: 1. If the farmers belong to a Smith-Doxey group (locally referred to as "one-variety communities") the sampling agent, usually the ginner, will cut samples and send them to a government classing office. Meantime the farmer delivers the ginned cotton to a CCC approved warehouse and receives a warehouse receipt. Later the government classing office will send the farmer a report showing the class of his cotton. The farmer gets his loan by taking the class report and the warehouse receipt to any approved lending agency and completing the necessary documents. He will not be charged a classification fee. (Hoke County farmers belong to a Smith-Doxey group).

2. Where the farmer does not belong to a Smith-Doxey group he may deliver his cotton to an approved warehouse. The warehouse will take a sample and send it to a government classing office for classification. When the class card is received by the farmer he may obtain a loan by taking his card and warehouse receipt to any approval lending agency. The farmer will pay a 25-cent classification fee. (Does Not apply to Hoke County)

Loans in 1951 will be made on an average price of \$2.55 cents (Continued on back page)

## Prisons Chief To Address Men Of Methodist Church

Walter F. Anderson, who assumed the directorship of the prisons division of the State Highway and Public Works Commission last August 2, will be the speaker at the regular meeting of The Methodist Men of the Church on Friday night September 14 at 7:15 p. m.

Mr. Anderson, a former head of the State Bureau of Investigation and one-time chief of police at Charlotte and Winston-Salem, recently attended the annual convention of Fishers of Men, Inc., at Toccoa, Ga. He is president of this nonsectarian religious organization.

The Men's Club from Page Memorial Methodist Church in Aberdeen and from Gibson and St. John's Methodist Churches will be present on this occasion.

## School System Has Insurance Program

It was announced today by Superintendent MacDonald of the Hoke County School System that a school child accident insurance program similar to that carried last year will be offered to the students of the Hoke County schools this coming term.

Last year's program proved to be an outstanding success which exceeded all expectations. The insurance company in payment of claims arising from injuries sustained in connection with school accidents issued 55 checks totaling approximately \$1700.00 to pay for the cost of medical treatment rendered substantially more than was paid to them in premiums.

A Master Policy will be issued and held in the office of the superintendent. The cost of the insurance is 75c per year per child. Each student will be given the opportunity to bring his payment to school. When the payment is received, the student's name will be placed upon a list of insureds that is attached to the policy. The program has the support of the P. T. A., the school board, the principals and the teachers but the most enthusiastic praise comes from those who were unfortunate enough to sustain injuries during the past school year.

The new policy has a \$500.00 medical expense allowance. Mr. MacDonald explained that when a student is injured under the coverage of the policy, all medical expenses up to \$500.00 are paid. This takes care of such things as bills from the doctor, dentist, hospital, registered nurse, etc. Also such fees as those charged for X-rays, operating room, anesthetics, laboratory supplies, etc. For accidental loss of life covered under the terms of the policy, \$1,000.00 will be paid; for the loss of any two hands, feet or eye, \$5,000.00; for the loss of one hand or foot, \$2,500.00; for the loss of sight in one eye, \$1,000.00. Any medical expenses incurred in connection with these losses are also paid.

## Watson, Balfour At Commissioners State Convention

F. Knox Watson and N. H. G. Balfour of the Hoke County board of commissioners attended the annual meeting of the State association of commissioners and accountants at Blowing Rock the first three days of last week. Watson, retiring president, made the presidential address. He was succeeded as president by John Long of Statesville. C. A. (Gus) Hasty of Maxton, a Robeson county commissioner for the past 21 years, moved into position to become president by getting elected first vice-president.

The convention was held at Mayview Manor and approximately 200 commissioners attended the meeting, the 44th the group has held. Ninety-four counties were represented.

## Local Boy Gets Eagle Scout Badge Tuesday

### Local Troop Leads District In Honors At Court Here

Lawrence McNeill, Jr., received his badge as an Eagle Scout, the highest rank attainable in the Boy Scouts of America, at a district ceremony and court of honor held at the High school here Tuesday night. He is 15 years old, the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. McNeill, and is the first local boy to reach Eagle rank since 1946.

The court of honor was presided over by Clyde L. Stutts, advancement chairman for the western district of the Cape Fear Area Council. The district includes about 15 scout troops in Scotland, Robeson and Hoke counties. The presentation of Eagle badge was made by R. B. Lewis to Mrs. McNeill, Lawrence's mother, who pinned the badge on her son. She was then presented a miniature for herself.

The ceremony was quite impressively staged, with the local troop standing in line on the stage in the light of three candles and reciting the 12 parts of the Scout law, lighting another candle for each part as it was said.

Young McNeill has been active in his troop attending the National Jamboree at Valley Forge, Pa., last year and the National Scout ranch in New Mexico this summer. Twenty-one merit badges are required for a boy to become an Eagle, and Lawrence has 25.

Three star scout awards were received by boys from the Raeford troop. The star rank is just two steps from Eagle and those receiving it were Joe McLeod, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. McLeod, Jimmy Phillips, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Phillips, and Lewis Upchurch, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Upchurch. These awards were made by Mayor W. L. Poole. Other rank and merit badge awards were made by Stutts, Poole, Lewis, J. M. Andrews and Tom Cameron.

In Hoke county both the Antioch and Rockfish troops were represented as well as the Raeford troop. Cliff Conoly is scoutmaster at Antioch, and his troop took two first class scout awards as well as several merit badges. Scoutmaster at Rockfish is Clarence Koonce. Tom McLaughlin is Raeford scoutmaster and Carson Davis, Jr., is his assistant. The Raeford troop also received five first class awards and a number of merit badges. Over 200 merit badges were awarded by Stutts to scouts from the 12 troops represented.

The Raeford troop received the trophy for best attendance percentage and for highest percentage of advancement.

### KINDERGARTEN MEETING

Parents interested in the Kindergarten to be operated at the Presbyterian church are invited to see the director, Mrs. John Scull, at the church at 4:00 Friday afternoon, September 14, at which time full information will be available.

## INGATHERINGS

Sandy Grove Methodist, Thursday, September 27.

Lumber Bridge Presbyterian church, Wednesday, October 3

Ephesus Baptist church, Friday, October 5.

Philippi Presbyterian church, Friday, October 5, dinner and supper.

Raeford Methodist, Thursday, October 11.

Galatia Presbyterian, Thursday, October 18.

Parker's Chapel Methodist church, Thursday, October 25.

## Many Offenders Pay Fines In Court Tuesday

A somewhat larger number of cases than usual was handled in Hoke County recorder's court Tuesday before Judge Henry McDiarmid. Case in which Claude Tyler, white, was charged with committing a crime against nature and with driving a tractor drunk was continued for two weeks and bond was set at \$5000.

The State dropped its charges of aiding and abetting in prostitution against Julie Collins, Indian, for lack of evidence.

Robert Tanner, white, Joseph Lowry, Indian, Joe Blue and Fred Bennett, colored, each paid the costs for being drunk and disorderly.

For driving drunk, with improper equipment Jerry Bennett and Thomas Tate, both colored, each got 4 months suspended on payment of \$110 and the costs in separate cases.

W. C. Cox, white, paid the costs for failing to stop at a stop sign. Speeders paying \$10 and the cost were D. R. Lavigne, D. R. Currie, H. D. Trout, H. E. Johnson, all white, J. C. Grubb, white paid \$25 and the costs for having no driver's license and E. K. Aaron, white, got six months to be suspended on payment of \$200 and the costs for driving after his license had been revoked. Isaac Lester, colored, and Junie Jones, Indian, each paid \$10 and the costs for having improperly equipped cars. Paul Huckabee, colored, paid \$25 and the costs for careless and reckless driving.

Rosetta McDonald, colored, paid the costs for forcible trespass, and Rosa Blue colored, paid the costs for larceny, in a compromised case.

J. M. McCall, colored, was found guilty of inadequately supporting his minor children. He got a one-year sentence to be suspended on payment of the court costs and \$10 weekly toward his family's support.

## Methodist Church Revival Services

The Rev. P. O. Lee, pastor of the Raeford Methodist church, said this week that a series of revival services would be held at the church next week. The services will start at the morning service at 11:00 September 16 and continue through the following Sunday, September 22 with services each night at 7:45 and with no morning services.

Preacher for the series will be the Rev. J. H. Lanning, pastor of the Rockingham Methodist church. Mr. Lanning is a well-known and able preacher and comes from one of the largest churches in the Fayetteville district.

## Gibson Tells Where Teachers Boarding

The following list of where the out-of-town teachers in the schools in Raeford will live during the school year was prepared by Principal W. T. Gibson, Jr., and is thought to be of interest to the public.

John F. Campbell, who lives in Wagram, will drive over each day; Misses Hilda Priest and Margaret Hefner at Mrs. Walker's; Miss Doris Bradley at Mr. and Mrs. Neil Senter's; Mrs. George Wilcox at one of the Tom Cameron apartments; Mrs. Phil Johnson in Sunset Hills in the Ben Robinson house; Miss Hannah Price and Miss Martha Pittman at Mrs. A. K. Currie's; Misses Ethel B. Britt and Miss Miriam Watson at Mrs. W. T. Covington's; J. G. Allen at Dr. and Mrs. A. L. O'Brian's; Miss Katherine Sheppard at Mrs. C. H. Giles'; J. B. Renn and J. W. Turlington, upstairs at Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Gibson's.

A Stanly County farmer, Gilliam Tucker, is finding that one of the best enterprises for a small farm is poultry.

## Soldier Shot Fatally Here Thursday A. M.

A shot from a moving Chevrolet coach into a convertible a few minutes after midnight last Thursday morning resulted in death for a Negro Army corporal. Dead after having been taken to the Fort Bragg hospital by James C. Lentz ambulance was Corporal John Banks, of Fort Bragg, allegedly killed by Private Joe E. Brooks, also colored.

The affair is said to have taken place after occupants of the two cars had had words at A.P.'s Place, colored cafe less than a mile east of Raeford on 15-A, and the convertible left in the direction of Raeford. The sedan caught it on the highway and the shot was fired. Investigation by the Criminal Investigation Department at Fort Bragg and the Hoke County sheriff's department led to the arrest of Brooks and his incarceration at Bragg.

Brooks is still in custody of Fort Bragg authorities and Sheriff D. H. Hodgin of Hoke County says they want to try him there. Ruling on this must be made by Solicitor Malcolm Seawell of Lumberton. Whether the Army would have jurisdiction over an offense committed in this county, even though all concerned were soldiers, would appear to be debatable, although if the Army is able to handle the matter it will result in a saving of the expenses of the trial by this county.

## Raeford Streets Are Being Marked

Bob Murray and Lauchlin MacDonald are busy this week putting the street names on the corners in town. Posts for this purpose have been up some time and equipment arrived last week for the lettering. The Raeford Chamber of Commerce is financing the project.

As soon as the street-marking is complete Robert Gatlin will release a town map which shows the street number, or address, of each house or lot in town. When these are numbered the Post office will add two more employees and begin mail delivery service in town.

To facilitate house numbering the Boy Scouts have secured mail boxes which will be sold complete with name and house number for \$3.00. These may be seen on display at Raeford Hardware, McLaughlin Co., Johnson Cotton Co., Wright and Currie Hardware, Harry's 5 and 10, The Bank of Raeford and The News-Journal. As soon as the map is out several of these will take orders for the Boy Scouts, who will make a small profit on boxes sold.

## Raeford's Telephone Facilities Expanded

Additional telephone facilities which increased the capacity of the Raeford exchange by about 25 per cent were placed in service on the night of Wednesday, August 29, W. E. Marshall, Fayetteville Manager of the Carolina Telephone and Telegraph Company, has announced.

Redistribution of existing facilities and placing the additional facilities in service made it absolutely necessary to change Raeford's telephone numbers, Marshall added. He expressed his regret that Raeford subscribers were not given more notice that a number change was necessary in order to provide much needed additional service to Raeford.

Prior to the date the new facilities were placed in service, representatives of the company visited Raeford subscribers and made the number changes on the number plates of their telephones and a new directory was delivered.