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## Addenda - - -

By the Editor

Former Raeford Policeman M. N. Cook called this week and said he wanted credit for going with the sheriff on his raid to Allen's place. In my mention of this raid last week I did not mention Cook because, while the sheriff had told me he was along, he also told me Cook was not a deputy. The credit due Cook seems somewhat dubious anyway, as the sheriff said he sent Cook to the rear of the place to watch, and that Cook didn't stay out back but came on in. I still think the sheriff thinks what he was hunting went out the back, as I said last week.

Allen came to see me last Thursday, too. He said he didn't see how anything could have been taken out the back when there was a deputy out there, meaning Cook. I told him the sheriff said Cook wasn't a deputy and he said he sure didn't like a fellow running around his place with a pistol acting as much like an officer as Cook did if he wasn't one. Some point to that argument, too, seems to me.

Sheriff D. H. Hodgin and Deputy Crawford Wright did a good job in bringing one Edson Hodges to justice this week, I think. A Fayetteville white man, he was charged with being the brains and capital behind the liquor still which Cecil Locklear, 17-year-old Indian, was convicted of operating two weeks ago. Judge Greene found him guilty and gave him a two-year road sentence which he appealed. This it seems to me is getting at the root of some of the evil.

We quoted D. Scott Poole here several weeks ago to the effect that J. Worthy Johnson, Thomas and Joseph Upchurch all owned automobiles in 1918, and that these were the first around here. David A. Smith, local radio expert, thinks the year 1918 may be a little off. He says that his father, the late J. P. Smith, manufacturer of the famous Smith plow, bought a second hand 1909 Model Cadillac in 1915. David doesn't know whether he got it around here or not, but he still has the 1915 license tag which was number N. C. 898 in white numerals on a black background.

Since mentioning the school board last week it has been called to my attention that Mrs. A. H. McPhaul is a teacher in the J. W. McLaughlin Elementary school while her husband is on the Raeford school district committee which does the hiring and firing of the teachers and is otherwise responsible for the administration of the school. Now both Mr. and Mrs. McPhaul are known as persons of unquestioned integrity and both are undoubtedly of great value to the school system. However, as it was pointed out to me, such a situation might set a precedent which could be taken advantage of at some later date by other persons and not to the best interests of the operation of the schools. Both are doing so much for the schools that I hesitate to mention this.

Col. Lee Bizzell, Senior Instructor of the North Carolina National Guard, is an Infantry Colonel with 36 years Army service who thought he was going to retire this year. Due to the situation, however, he is going from this job to an active command. He attended drill last Tuesday with the St. Pauls unit and told the men in leaving that they were "members of one of the best battalions if not the best in the State," and that "your battalion commander is outstanding, both personally and as a soldier." This was quite a pat on the back for Lt. Col. William Lamont, Jr., who was then in the Veterans hospital.

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## William P. Amos, 68, Former Raeford Man, Passes In Kinston

William Pinkney Amos, 68, retail furniture dealer and former owner of a chain of furniture stores, died at his home in Kinston last Saturday morning after several years of ill health.

He opened the Amos Furniture Store here during the war and was here for several years.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Della Amos; two sons, W. P. Jr., of Asheboro, and Thomas L. Amos of Raeford; a daughter, Mrs. G. D. Pearson of Raeford; three brothers, J. E., R. T. and C. L. Amos of High Point; two sisters, Mrs. P. P. Troxler and Mrs. D. C. Smith of Reidsville.

Funeral was held Sunday morning in Kinston and the body was taken to Reidsville where a Graveside service was held at three o'clock Sunday afternoon.

## To Hold Upholstering Class Tomorrow

On Friday, May 23, beginning at 10:00 A. M., Mrs. Kay Riggle, Extension House Finishing Specialist from State College, Raleigh, will give a demonstration on Reupholstering Furniture. The meeting will be held in the Lions Club Room of the County Office building. Since the demonstration will run through the noon hour, those attending are asked to bring a sandwich lunch and tea will be made in the Lion's kitchen.

Anyone in the county interested in re-upholstering is cordially invited to be present at the meeting, says Josephine Hall, Home Demonstration Agent, who has arranged for Mrs. Riggle to come to Raeford.

## PHILIPPI BIRTHDAY PROGRAM SUN. NGHT

The Women of the Philippi Presbyterian church will have their "Birthday Program" Sunday night, May 25th, at 7:30 o'clock. All families of the community are invited and the bus will make its regular run at seven o'clock.

## MILDOUNS PICNIC

The Mildousin School will have its annual picnic on Monday, May 26th at 6:00 in the afternoon. All friends of the school are invited to come and to bring along a picnic basket. After the picnic the seventh grade will present a play in the auditorium.

## YOUR SCHOOL NEWS

By K. A. MacDonald

Tonight the music teacher at Ashemont will present her pupils in recital both in piano and voice. The public is cordially invited.

Robbins Mills presented the Hoke High Science Department with a nice exhibit showing the evolution of silk from the egg that produces the worm to the manufactured silk. This is a splendid addition to the laboratory exhibits and is greatly appreciated.

The faculty of the Raeford Graded school wishes to thank the following for their assistance in helping put on the May Festival last week: The Fayetteville City Schools for lending bleachers; J. W. McPhaul for hauling the bleachers here and back; All parents who cooperated by making costumes and helping otherwise; Mesdames Marlon Gatlin, J. B. McIntyre, Lacy McFadyen and Lawrence McNeill for arranging and furnishing flowers for the Queen and her court; Rhoda's Flower Shop for storing flowers; Faye Dark and Jenelle Snead for helping to train dancers.

All committees in the county have had their re-election of (Continued on Page 10)

## County Democrats Hold Convention

The county convention held Saturday afternoon at the courthouse turned out to be a mild session, at least all precincts of the county were represented at the meeting. T. O. Mosses and "Smiley" Roper made speeches concerning their qualifications as potential judges of recorder's court.

The executive committee was elected as follows: Walter P. Baker, chairman; Mrs. A. D. Gore, vice-chairman; Mrs. W. C. Hodgins, secretary. Representing the various precincts on the executive committee are J. B. Thomas, Raeford No. 2; Neill McFadyen, Raeford No. 1; G. C. Lytle, Antioch; Archie Watson, Allendale; C. J. McNeill, Blue Springs; John Parker, Puppy Creek; Tom McInnis, Rockfish; T. O. Mosses, Ashley Heights; Daniel McGill, Little River; N. A. McInnis, Mildousin.

Among those going to Raleigh yesterday to the State Convention as delegates from the county were Harry Greene, J. B. Thomas and John McGoogan.

## Tomorrow Is Date For Scout Course

An eight week Leadership Training course of scoutmasters, assistant scoutmasters, troop committeemen and prospective men for these groups is scheduled to start Friday night, May 23, in the Legion home in Laurinburg. This course is sponsored by and for the Western district, Cape Fear Area council of Boy Scouts, and will be conducted in the various towns of the district.

The Western District comprises Scotland and part of Hoke and Robeson Counties to include the towns of Raeford, Red Springs, Maxton, Pembroke, and vicinity. The Leadership Training Course is comparatively new in Scouting and has been conducted only one time previously in this District.

The theory behind the course is to train men to be better leaders of boys. Uniformity of instruction throughout the nation is emphasized. The lesson plans originate at National Headquarters and the latest in Training Film and other aids have been made available for use during the course. The faculty is comprised of trained men who have previously completed this Course and who have had special instruction under the direction of Stanley Mate, National Leadership Instructor. This faculty is listed as follows: Neil Cornwall, Wilmington, N. C., Scout Executive and Director, Grant Wallin, Lumberton, N. C., Field Representative and Assistant Director, J. S. Stearns, Jr. Laurinburg Western District Leadership Training Chairman, and John Smith, Robert Beacham, Clinton Woodard, Claude Sanford, Glenn Bingham, and Mac Guest, all of Laurinburg, instructors. Tentative plans, call for the following schedule:

May 23, Legion Home, Laurinburg, Orientation and Outline of Course.

May 30, Community Building, Maxton, Organization and Leadership.

June 6, Scout Hut, Raeford, Program Planning.

June 13, Cafeteria, Laurel Hill, Meetings.

June 20, School, E. Laurinburg, Helping the Boy to Grow.

June 27, (—), Red Springs, Hiking and Camping (Preparatory).

June 12, Camp Tom Upchurch, Rockfish, Hiking and Camping, (Application).

Each of the above meetings will be conducted from 8:00 until 10:00 p. m. except the final one which will consist of a week end trip to the Boy Scout Camp at Camp Tom Upchurch near Rockfish.

Local Scout leaders state that it is important that all eligible persons attend the first meeting (for proper orientation), and that they make plans to continue the entire course. "This is a must if we are to give our youth the fullest benefit of modern leadership training and character building."

## Judge Severe With Whiskey Defendant Tues.

A Cumberland County white man drew two years on the roads, the maximum sentence that Judge Harry Greene could hand out, in Hoke County recorder's court Tuesday morning. The man was Edson Hodges, and he was convicted of violating the prohibition laws by being financially and otherwise interested in a whiskey still captured by the Hoke County sheriff's department a week or two ago. He appealed to Superior court and posted a bond of \$1500.

Garland O. Smalley, white soldier, pleaded guilty of driving drunk without a driver's license. He got six months suspended on payment of \$125 and the costs. D. T. Mays, white, pleaded guilty of driving drunk and paid \$100 and the costs.

Charlie Shipman and Dave Johnson, both colored, each paid \$10 and the costs for being drunk and disorderly.

John D. King, colored, paid \$10 and the costs for having improper brakes and \$25 and the costs for having no driver's license. Mary Cornelius Stewart, colored, paid costs for improper brakes and \$25 and costs for no driver's license. Neill Archie McMillan, Marshall McLaughlin, and Fred David Bandy, all colored, each paid \$10 and the costs for having improper brakes. James McKinnon, colored, left a \$25 bond for the same offense.

Andrew Melvin, colored, got 30 days suspended on payment of the costs for assaulting his wife.

Herman Stokes, colored, got 60 days suspended on payment of \$10 and the costs and 18 months good behavior for stealing some gasoline.

Junnie Jones and Thomas Tate, both colored, were each charged with disposing of mortgaged property. Each pleaded no defense and each had to pay costs and balance due C. J. Benner on property.

Robert Edward Edels, colored, paid \$10 and the costs for failing to stop at a stop sign. Isaiah Barrett, colored, paid \$10 and the costs for speeding.

## Plan Small Grain Demonstration

There will be a small grain meeting held on Tuesday, May 27, at 2:00 P. M. This meeting will be held on the T. B. Upchurch farm on the road to Arabia about four miles from Raeford.

Through the cooperation of Mr. Upchurch, it is possible for farmers to see for themselves the difference in varieties of wheat, corn, and barley. These are excellent demonstrations and provide a real opportunity for farmers in this area to get to see the results of variety testing.

Clyde Peedin, in charge of variety testing for the N. C. Crop Improvement Association, and Dr. F. J. Bell, extension seed and small grain specialist of N. C. State College, will be on hand to assist with the meeting and to furnish any other information relative to small grain production.

Small grain production is increasing in North Carolina, and one of the important phases of production is good seed.

## PTA Hold Last Meeting Of Year

The PTA held its last meeting of the present school year Monday May 19 at the Raeford Elementary School. Before the business session started the Junior Chorus, under the direction of Miss Doris Bradley, and accompanied by Mrs. Dwight Brown presented its Annual Spring Concert.

The program which consisted of well-known folk songs of different nationalities was enjoyed by a large and appreciative audience. The attendance prize was won by Mrs. Neil Senter's fifth grade.

## Several Teachers Not Returning To Local Schools Next Year

The Raeford District School Committee held its meeting Tuesday night and announced Wednesday that all of the teachers for the J. W. McLaughlin School and for the High School had been re-elected for the 1952-53 school year. However, there have been several resignations effective at the end of the present school term.

In the elementary school Miss Britt, teacher of the 6th grade, and Miss Sheppard, special teacher, have tendered their resignations. Mrs. Fred Culbreth and Mrs. Neil Senter who helped in the emergency last fall have also expressed their desire not to teach next year. The committee was grateful for their help.

In the high school Miss Priest, science instructor, has resigned effective at the end of the present term. Miss Miriam Watson, guidance teacher, has resigned to accept a position in guidance work at Appalachian State Teachers College in Boone. Mrs. Emily Cameron has resigned from the High School staff to teach in the elementary school.

At the present time the only replacements for these teachers leaving are Mrs. Imogene Stephens of Raeford and Miss Martha Holland, a 1952 graduate of Meredith College in Raleigh. Mrs. Stephens will teach in the grammar school and Miss Holland at the High School.

## County Tops Goal In Cancer Drive

The American Cancer Society motto, "Strike back at Cancer," has been realized in Hoke County. The people of the county have done it again. The goal for the cancer drive had been set at \$722.25, and \$858.02 was raised during the canvass period. Of this amount \$501.29 was raised in the county while the remaining portion was collected in the town of Raeford.

Mrs. W. L. Howell, Jr., chairman for Hoke County, states that she wishes to thank all of the people who served as a door-to-door canvasser and everyone who contributed so generously.

## 200 Scouts Weekend Camp Tom Upchurch

The Annual Spring Camporee of the Cape Fear Area Council, Boy Scouts of America, held at Camp Tom Upchurch last Friday, Saturday and Sunday, May 16, 17 and 18, found approximately 200 Scouts participating representing most of the areas of southeastern North Carolina.

Based on camping skills and participation in Camporee events, Troops 53 of East Laurinburg, 444 of Laurinburg, 327 of Pembroke and 333 of Lumberton were classified as Proficient.

Troops 211 of Wilmington, 501 of Whiteville, 306 of Lumberton, 20 of Laurinburg and 84 of Lumberton, 301 of Lumberton and 326 of Magnolia received the Standard classification; and Troop 29 of Parkton will receive the Participating Award.

The Camporee was directed by Glenn Bingham of Laurel Hill, District Commissioner of the Western District who was assisted by James L. Morgan of Laurel Hill, Herb McGirt of Whiteville, Lauder Gibson of Laurinburg, Frank Biggs and Howard Price of Lumberton and John E. Thompson of Whiteville.

The Camporee Program consisted of camp fires Friday and Saturday nights, Troop demonstrations and a general swim Saturday morning and a Gold Rush Saturday afternoon which involved problems of a Scouting nature. The camp fire Saturday night was climaxed by a series of Indian dances led by Scoutmaster Walter Pinchbeck, a full blood Cree Indian who was raised in the Pacific Northwest.

## PLANS ARE ANNOUNCED FOR HIGH SCHOOL COMMENCEMENT

### Curb At Hotel Corner Is Being Repaired

A move that has been needed for a long time got underway last week on the corner of Main street at the Fayetteville highway as the Highway Commission began work to cut off part of the curb and move it back several feet. In moving the curb the corner was rounded more improving the old almost right angle effect that was there.

After the work is completed the parking arrangement at the "police corner" and also in front of the A & R railway depot will be changed. Instead of the present set-up of parking diagonal to the curb it will be parallel. There will also be three lanes in Main street at the corner instead of the present two, with north bound traffic in the right lane being able to turn right on a red light.

### Jaycees Plan To Pick "Miss Hoke County"

James C. Lentz, president of the Junior Chamber of Commerce was the delegate from the local club to the State Jaycee Convention in Charlotte last week end.

After he returned from Charlotte Lentz announced that partial plans for the beauty contest to choose a Miss Hoke County had been made. She will represent the county in the state beauty contest this summer in Winston-Salem. As the plans stand now the local contest will be held the 27th of June. Included will be a supper and a dance at which the queen will be elected.

### Rowland Beats Bucks Season's Last Game

In the final game of the 1952 school season the Hoke High Bucks were defeated by the team from Rowland last Friday afternoon, 4-2.

The Bucks took the lead for one inning as they scored a single run in the second inning on two singles and two infield outs. In the top of the third Rowland scored twice and the Bucks evened it in the bottom of the third with another single run. This was all the scoring for the locals as the Rowland pitcher kept them in check for the remainder of the game. Rowland scored two more runs in the top of the fifth to run the final score to 4-2.

Phillips was the starting and losing pitcher, going out in the 6th inning, and Harding finished the game. Phillips gave up six of the seven hits made by Rowland and allowed two bases on balls. Harding got 1 strikeout and Phillips four.

### Hoke Lady's Sister Dies In Fayetteville

Mrs. Alma Glen Davis Barlow, 63, of Fayetteville, died Thursday night of a heart attack at the home to her son, J. B. Barlow, in Fayetteville. She was a native of Robeson County and a sister of Mrs. Maude Sandy of this county. Funeral services were held Saturday afternoon at three o'clock at the First Presbyterian church in Fayetteville, with Dr. Walker B. Healy, pastor, in charge. Burial was at Sandy Grove Methodist church cemetery in Hoke county.

### LIBRARY NOTICE

There will be no overdue fee for books returned to Hoke County Library from Tuesday, May 22, through Tuesday, May 27. Every one having overdue books is urged to return them. There will be a box placed at the entrance to the library for the books returned. Please see the librarian about any books which are lost.

### Winston-Salem Preacher To Make Finals Address; Baccalaureate By Lennon

The plans for the commencement programs for the school year 1951-52 have been completed, according to W. T. Gibson, Jr., principal of Hoke High School. The high point of the entire program will be Tuesday night when the graduating seniors of 1952 will receive their diplomas.

Fifty-seven seniors, one of the largest graduating classes in recent years, will hear an address by Dr. Mark Depp, pastor of Centenary Methodist Church in Winston-Salem. Dr. Depp is one of the leading ministers of the Western Methodist Conference and is much in demand as a speaker on various programs. He delivered the principal address at the Superintendents Conference in High Point during the past winter. Dr. Depp will be introduced by Rev. P. O. Lee.

Included on the program Tuesday night will be the presentation of various awards by different organizations to outstanding seniors and other students. The Valedictory will be delivered by John McLaughlin, son of Mrs. H. C. McLaughlin of Raeford, and the Salutatory will be delivered by Annie Blue Cameron, daughter of Mrs. Leon Cameron of the Pine Forest community. Valedictorian is the senior with the highest scholastic average through high school and the Salutatorian has next to the highest average.

**Baccalaureate Sermon**  
On Sunday morning, May 25, at 11:15 the Rev. Judson Lennon, pastor of the Raeford Baptist Church, will deliver the baccalaureate sermon in the high school auditorium. All churches in town are cancelling their eleven o'clock services in order that everyone may attend the exercises at the high school and honor the graduating class in this manner.

Following the regular procedure of rotating the baccalaureate service among the Methodist, Baptist and Presbyterian churches, this year the Baptists will present it.

**Class Night Exercises**  
On Friday night, May 23, at 8:15 the senior class will present its annual class night program "The Last Cruise on U.S.S. Hoke," directed by Miss Hilda Priest. A nautical theme will be carried out in the presentation.

**7th Grade Promotion Day**  
Monday morning at 10:15 in the High School auditorium the seventh grade promotion exercises will be held with the Rev. Gower Crosswell, pastor of the Antioch Presbyterian Church, as the main speaker.

Exams for all students except seniors will be given Monday and Tuesday. On Wednesday there will be no school and on Thursday the students will return for a half day to receive report cards. This will conclude the school year.

### Progressive Store Remodels Interior

Work has begun Monday morning on the interior of the local Progressive Store. The service area is being enlarged by moving a partition back and taking in part of the storage room. New windows are being installed to equip it for self-service trade. The date for completion of the project is not definite but the management expects it to be finished about the 14th of June.

On Wednesday May 28th, the Stonewall Ruritan Club will have its monthly meeting in the Mildousin Luncheon Room at 8:00 p. m.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Gatlin and Leon Gatlin spent the week end at their cottage at Topsall Beach.