

71 Graduate From Lumberton High; Diplomas Presented Tuesday Night

LUMBERTON—Lumberton High School finals got under way Sunday night when the baccalaureate sermon was delivered by Rev. R. L. Alexander. The invocation was given by Rev. John H. Bonner, and music was by the glee club of the school.

Class night exercises were held Monday night when a pageant "Holiday in Hawaii" was presented.

Graduation exercises Tuesday night saw the presentation of diplomas to 71 graduates following a talk by superintendent B. E. Lohr and school board chairman, O. L. Henry. The Lumberton High School Band played the processional as the seniors entered, and the invocation was by Dr. Phillip J. McLean. A quartet composed of Joe Taylor, Stanley Meares, Max Kinlaw, and Theodore Richards sang "The Builders."

Honor students spoke in turn with their theme "Challenges to Youth of 1949." Speakers were John Hal Oliver, class president; Nora Dean Parker, salutatorian; Eunice Saunders, Mary Jo Wagner, Kathleen Bennett, Mabel Lou Vendrick, Luther Britt, Virginia Lewis, Bobbie Lou Sessoms, Leon Hamilton, Sarah Williams, Jeanette Chance, Gertrude Nelson, Virginia Everleigh, and Margaret Floyd, valedictorian.

Awards were presented by Supt. Lohr. Rupert Collins was presented the Citizenship Cup which is given by the faculty and the student body. Kitty Lee was presented the French Medal given by the American Association of French Teachers for a paper submitted in the competition. Leon Hamilton, Jr., while receiving no award was congratulated as being 4th highest in French competition among 713 entries in the state. The Readers Digest Award was given Margaret Newton Floyd as valedictorian of the class.

The recessional, "Pomp and Circumstance" was played by the band. Marshals were Tommy Parnell, Chief, Betsy Clarke, Kendrick Townsend, DeWitt Branch, Sarah A. Jackson, Betty A. Willford, Louten R. Britt.

Bible School At Centre Church

RED SPRINGS—Centre Church is holding its first Daily Vacation Bible School in many years next week, June 13-17. New Sunday School rooms which were constructed during the winter will be used for classes, and recreation will be out in the grove of the church. Teachers for the school are Mrs. Julian McKellar, Mrs. Ernest Odum, Mrs. Roger Gentry, Mrs. Alex Wilkerson, Mrs. Duncan McGirt, Mrs. Clyde Webster, Mrs. W. L. Roper, Sally McArthur, and Ann McArthur will serve as pianist. Rev. J. Ray Dickens, pastor at Centre, will be director.

Classes are scheduled from 9 to 11:30 each morning with a gala commencement Friday night consisting of picnic supper at 6:30, followed by the program and a display of creative work done during the week. Much interest has been aroused, and it is hoped that all children in the community between the ages of three and thirteen will attend.

McGougan Heads Springs Lions

RED SPRINGS—At the weekly meeting of the Red Springs Lions' Club on last Tuesday night the following members were nominated without opposition to the new officers of the club: President, William T. McGougan; secretary, Jasper Culbreth; 1st vice-president, Murphy McNeill; 2nd vice-president, R. B. McRae; 3rd vice-president, H. E. Skipper; directors, C. A. Gardner and Jack T. Beverly; Lion Twister, W. C. Lenoir; and Lion Tamer, Elbert R. Horton. These new officers were elected at the June 14th meeting of the Lion's Club and will take office at the first meeting in July to serve during the 1949-1950 term.

Retiring officers for the past year are: President, Leslie Baldwin; secretary-treasurer, Jasper Culbreth; 1st vice-president, William T. McGougan; 2nd vice-president, C. A. Gardner; 3rd vice-president, W. C. Lenoir; directors, Walter F. Spivey and Reese Snyder; lion tamer, H. E. Skipper; and lion tamer, Galen D. Harris.

MAXTON—The Mormax Club is erecting a building to be used by the Maxton Boy Scout Troop, located on the softball field near the high school. The former barracks building which was secured at the air base from the Airport Commission by the Mormax Club, will soon be completed and ready for use by the scouts.

The troop has been meeting each Monday night on the second floor of the bank building. Scoutmasters are Jack Casteven and Doug Purcell.

Methodist Conference Laboratory School

DURHAM—Beginning on June 19 the N. C. Methodist Conference will conduct a laboratory school for teachers of children in the Church School. Church Schools from all sections of Eastern North Carolina will send delegates to the school, which is to be held at Duke Memorial Church, Durham, N. C. According to Miss Doris Sutton, Conference Director of Children's Work, Durham, and formerly Religious Education Director at Lumberton's Chestnut Street Methodist Church, this type of school is unique in the fact that expert teachers instruct classes of children for the observation of the student teachers. The demonstration class is followed by discussion of the methods and materials used. Miss Sutton also states that a nursery class teacher has been secured, so that the nursery class, once cancelled, will be conducted as planned so that teachers in this department may register for the school.

J. B. McCloskey Commander Of Legion Post

RED SPRINGS—At the American Legion meeting held Monday night at the Legion Hall the following new officers were elected for the coming year: Commander, J. B. McCloskey; 1st vice commander, Sam Laney; 2nd vice commander, Warren McNeill; adjutant and finance officer, Loven Finton; chaplain, C. E. Leigh, Sr.; sgt. at arms, Johnny King; assistant sgt. at arms, Will Varnum; service officer, Martin McKinnon; and building trustees, E. H. Alexander, Morrison Peterson, and J. A. Graham.

Retiring from the above offices at the next meeting are: Commander R. McMillan, Jr.; 1st vice commander Al Grant; 2nd vice commander C. E. Leigh; adjutant and finance officer, A. C. Stephenson; Chaplain H. G. Bedinger, and Sgt. at Arms Sam Thomas.

Picnic Notes End Kindergarten Year

MAXTON—The Maxton Kindergarten completed its second year of operation last Friday with a picnic given for the tiny students by the director, Mrs. J. B. Hord. The picnic was held at the group's favorite spot, the pine trees near the SAL Railway Station on Friday morning, followed by games and songs.

Eight members of the kindergarten became first graders next year and are Betty Kirkpatrick, Connie Daniel, Lucille Ruth Severson, Diane Ford, Jane Hasty, Sandra Gilbert, Janice Marie Hord, and Betty Bracey. Other two students during the past year have been Jay Kirkpatrick and Alex McCallum.

Guernsey Bracy New President Red Springs PTA

RED SPRINGS—At a meeting of the Parent Teachers Association of the Red Springs school on Tuesday night the nominating committee submitted the following names of new officers to serve as the coming year: President, Guernsey Bracy of Pembroke; vice-president, Mr. David Brown; secretary, Mrs. R. D. McMillan, Jr., and treasurer, Carson Manus.

Plans were also announced at this time concerning the new gymnasium and class room buildings which the school hopes to be able to have constructed by the early winter term of 1949.

During the social hour refreshments were served to the member present.

MAXTON—Funeral services were held yesterday morning for Wm. E. Caddell, 88, who died Tuesday in Clio, S. C., hospital after a long illness.

Services were conducted by Rev. Forrest Young of Maxton and interment was in the Caddell cemetery.

Mr. Caddell was born in Moore county and was a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. William Caddell. He had spent most of his life in Robeson.

Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Lawrence Carmichael of Laurinburg and Miss Mary Caddell of home, and by 2 sons, Walter of Raeford and Harry of the home.

County Against Roads, For Schools, Both Bond Issues Carry In State

Robeson County voted decisively against the Scott \$200,000,000 road bond issue last Saturday while the State of North Carolina voted just as decisively in favor of the enormous financial transaction. Both Robeson and the state approved the \$25,000,000 school bond issue. With the passage of the road bond an increase of one cent per gallon tax on gasoline was approved. Robeson's vote disapproved the road bonds 3-2 with a count of 1,982 votes for the issue and 3,142 against it. The school bonds were approved in the county by a majority of only 73, 2,567 for and 2,494 against.

In the state the western and rural counties swung the election and the final count is about 3-2 for the road bond issue and 2-1 for the school bonds. About 400,000 votes were cast in the state.

Robeson County Bond Vote

PRECINCT	ROADS		SCHOOLS	
	For	Against	For	Against
Alfordville	45	29	26	47
Backswamp	21	42	21	42
Britts	38	63	26	72
Burnt Swamp	67	69	69	120
Fairmont No. 1	89	176	147	94
Fairmont No. 2	51	85	61	73
Gaddys	37	20	29	39
East Howellsville	115	77	18	73
West Howellsville	115	49	120	36
Lumber Bridge	54	53	50	57
Lumberton No. 1	86	300	192	191
Lumberton No. 2	92	329	174	248
Lumberton No. 3	80	97	94	84
Lumberton No. 4	51	73	56	66
Maxton	34	200	118	69
Ornum	82	75	103	27
Parkton	88	44	83	115
Pembroke	107	154	134	115
Philadelphus	38	32	34	24
Raft Swamp	18	27	19	24
Red Springs	58	277	135	200
Renner	31	8	16	22
Rowland	57	221	159	120
Saddletree	68	18	64	19
South St. Pauls	91	62	104	47
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Shannon	12	31	10	32
Smiths	46	9	49	15
Smyra	60	25	62	32
Stearlings	76	104	22	100
Thompson	68	113	85	66
Union	40	45	58	38
White House	51	76	20	84
Wisharts	31			
TOTAL	1982	3142	2567	2494

Maxton Students End School Year At Commencement Exercises Tuesday

MAXTON—Commencement activities for the graduating class at Maxton High School began on Sunday evening, June 5th, at 8:15 p.m. with the Baccalaureate Service, at the high school auditorium. The service, which was largely attended by three congregations of Maxton, with the Presbyterians as hosts, opened with an academic procession led by chief marshal, A. L. Patterson, Jr., Rev. H. G. Cuthrell, Rev. E. L. Stoffel, and Rev. Forrest Young, followed by members of the senior class in cap and gown.

The invocation was given by Mr. Young with special music by the Glee Club, "The Heavens Are Telling", directed by Miss Mary McQueen and accompanied at the piano by Miss Ann Elizabeth McKinnon.

Delivering the sermon which was an inspirational message to a young people, was Rev. Mr. Cuthrell, pastor of the St. Paul's Methodist Church. Hymns were sung by the congregation accompanied at the piano by Mrs. J. P. Stansel.

The benediction was delivered by Rev. E. L. Stoffel, followed by the recessional.

Senior Class Night was held on Monday evening at the high school with the address of welcome made by Katherine Ray Carter, class salutatorian, "The End of the Rainbow" a skit directed by class sponsor, Mrs. J. H. McKinnon, was presented. Staged as the last class meeting of 1949, the group entered and were seated at a long dinner table and proceeded with their formal dinner meeting with the class president, John Hunter LaMotte, presiding. Elsie McKenzie, Class Poet, presented the class poem and foretelling the future of the senior class was Class Prophet, Billy White, Ann Nash, Myrland sang "A, You're Adorable" and Sara Lee Duncan presented the gifts to the class mascots, Pat Holland and Bobby McKenzie. She also presented appropriate and quite often humorous gifts to members of the class. The last will and testament was read by Sally James, Testator and class statistics were read as compiled by Margaret Ann Clarke, concluding the entertaining play by Marie Essay.

Eighth Grade Certificates Following the singing of a selection by members of the eighth grade, certificates of promotion were presented to thirty-five students by H. M. Guyot, principal. A medal for class scholarship was presented to Miss Patsy Purcell with the eighth grade citizenship medal going to Miss Ann Joseph.

Senior Class Gift The presentation of the senior class gift to the faculty and student body of a Webster's New Standard Unabridged Dictionary and a stand for its use in the library, was made by John Hunter LaMotte and accepted most graciously by Mr. Guyot. Following this, the valedictory address was made by class valedictorian, John Hunter LaMotte, who expressed appreciation of the seniors to parents faculty members and friends

for guidance and encouragement, with the usual senior admonition to rising seniors and other high school students of "obtaining the most out of high school life."

Commencement exercises were held on Tuesday evening at the high school with the traditional academic procession. The invocation was given by Rev. J. R. Dickens and a selection, "A Spirit Flower" sung by the Glee Club.

Principal H. M. Guyot introduced the commencement speaker, Rev. A. D. Leon Gray, superintendent of the Oxford Orphanage, whose subject was "By-Products of Life."

Presentation of diplomas to the seventeen seniors was made by Mr. Guyot and J. D. Medis, chairman of the School Board. Following the awards, the benediction was offered by Dr. L. C. LaMotte.

Awards John Hunter LaMotte was presented the Mormax Medal, annual award to the class valedictorian, by Russell Helekson. The Lions Club Medal, salutatorian, was presented by G. M. Henderson to Katherine Hattie McBrayer also received in honor of a former teacher of Maxton; presentation was made by E. Hervey Evans of Laurinburg.

The American Legion Citizenship Medal was given by post commander Percy Phillips to Lois Russell. Mr. Guyot awarded the Danforth Foundation Award, a copy of the book "I Dare You," to Katherine Carter and Robert Neill Caddell in recognition of their leadership and their willingness to accept responsibility.

Debate medals were given Miss Carter, Ann McLeod, John Hunter LaMotte, Ann Friskick, A. L. Patterson, Jr., and Reginald McKivker. A certificate of merit was given Lois Russell by the State of North Carolina for her outstanding service as a schoolbus driver.

The seniors, through Katherine Carter, presented their teacher, Mrs. Ida J. McKinnon a gift.



HE HAD FUN BUT IT DIDN'T LAST LONG. Cpl. Joe W. Ledbetter of Fort Bragg took quite a joy ride Saturday morning before he landed in this awkward position at 2:30 A. M. His crash into the Court House in Lumberton (pictured here) climaxed a ride on which he was a hit and run offender on North Cedar, hit a house on East Seventh, and reportedly ran over a lawn mower and a child's wagon in George Faircloth's yard. The ride ended with a head-on collision with the county court house beside the Chestnut Street entrance. The crash was severe enough to bounce the rear end of car to the top of the concrete wall on the porch. On the ride Joe Barrington's car was slightly damaged when it was hit and some damage was done to the home and yard of W. G. Warwick. Patrolmen Carter and Shepherd (pictured) saw the corporal safely into an ambulance and called a wrecker and the fire department.—Photo by Bill Norment.

Supreme Court Upholds Nimocks On School Funds

The supreme court decision on the appeal of the plaintiffs from a superior court decision dissolving an injunction against the expenditure of funds of the county has been filed with the Clerk of Superior Court for Robeson; the supreme court's decision upholds the decision of the lower court.

The supreme court decision says that the plaintiffs offered no evidence at the hearing on the injunction and that the judge, Nimocks, made his decision wisely by his sound judgement consistent with the law. The ruling of the highest court says that the injunction sought to restrain county officials from acts which they had already accomplished. It upholds the dissolution of the injunction and says the laws challenged are constitutional.

The injunction titled "Branch vs. Board of Education" was entered by a group of six Robeson County citizens. It cited various misdeeds by county officials and challenged the constitutionality of acts of the legislature under which the officials expended money.

The supreme court denies, by its decision, that there was any reason for the injunction.

Quoting the opinion of the state's highest tribunal: "The decision of the court below rested largely on its sound judgment, subject, of course, to legally applicable principles. . . the acts sought to be restrained had already become a fait accompli" when the action began."

GINNERS MEET IN Lumberton Tues.

Announcement is made today by Louis G. McGill, executive secretary, Carolinas Ginnners Association, Red Springs, that the 1949 district meetings the association will be held during June are as follows:

For North Carolina: June 14—Central District, Pinecrest Country Club, Lumberton, N. C. June 22, Eastern District, Overton's, Rocky Mount, N. C. June 23, Piedmont District, Gardner Webb College, Boiling Springs, N. C.

All ginnners, members and non-members alike, county agents, and others interested in the cotton industry are invited to attend these meetings. Some very important problems confronting the cotton ginnners and other members of the cotton industry will be discussed.

The 1949 Cotton Loan Program and the Smith-Dokey Classing Service will be discussed in North Carolina by Dan F. Holler of the N. C. Extension Service.

The meeting will begin promptly at 10:00 A. M., and will adjourn at 1:00 P. M., after which lunch will be served.

Crump Personnel Council Member

LUMBERTON—Earl Crump, of Wilson and formerly of Lumberton, was appointed Saturday to the newly constituted State Personnel Council. Mr. Crump is assistant division engineer of the State Highway and Public Works Commission and is one of two council members representing state employees.

The new commission will handle all personnel matters for the state, a job previously handled by the assistant budget director. The first meeting of the body is scheduled for Thursday.

High School Diplomas To Be Awarded At Red Springs Tomorrow Night

RED SPRINGS—Approximately twenty high school seniors will be awarded diplomas on Friday night, June 10, when the Red Springs School holds its final commencement exercises at 8 P. M., in the high school auditorium.

The commencement program as announced by Supt. Walter R. Dudley will be as follows: Two selections by the Red Springs High School Band, "Warming Up," by Ribble and "Honor Band," by Weber; Processional; Invocation by Al Buie; Salutatory Address by Ann McArthur; Two folk songs by the Red Springs Glee Club; Senior Class President's Message by Billy Stutts; Response; Joan Hardesty, by Chenette; student council president's Message by Buddy McNeill; Superintendent's Message and Presentation of Awards, Mr. Dudley; Two Spirituals by the Glee Club; Presentation of Diplomas, Dr. C. T. Johnson; song by the Senior Class, "You'll Never Walk Alone." Valedictory Address, Eunice Duncan; Alma Mater, and Recessional.

The awards presented to various members of the graduating class during the commencement will consist of the DAR medal awarded by that organization to Miss Ann McArthur, the best girl citizen of the year; the World Peace Contest Medal presented to Bill Lewis by the Rotary Club for the best speech on "World Peace Through the United Nations"; cash prizes of \$10 to Ann McArthur and \$5 to Patricia McNeill for their participation in the Soil Conservation Contest sponsored locally by the Scottish Bank; cash prizes of \$10 to Joan Hardesty and \$5 to Joan Stevens for their themes on the Constitution sponsored by the Red Springs American Legion; and the engraving of Frank McDonald's name on the Rotary Emblem as the "Best all-around citizen of the year." Frank was selected for the honorary presentation by the faculty of the Red Springs School.

Following the program, the program will be held on the front steps of the high school following the program.

Rev. McKinnon Goes To Tenn.

MAXTON—Rev. John R. McKinnon, formerly of Maxton, received his Bachelor of Divinity Degree at Union Theological Seminary in Richmond, Va., on Tuesday, May 24th, at the annual commencement exercises. He has accepted a call to the Waverly Road Presbyterian Church in Kingsport, Tenn., which is a new church of Holston Presbytery. He assumed his pastoral duties on June 1st and he and Mrs. McKinnon are now at home in Kingsport.

Mr. McKinnon is the son of the late Samuel Hawley and Ruby James McKinnon and a nephew of Miss Maggie McKinnon of Maxton. He is a graduate of Davidson College and served in World War II, as a 1st Lt. in the 31st Inf. Div., stationed in the southwest Pacific until 1946.

In last week's edition of the Scottish Chief, the above story erroneously appeared beneath the picture of Rev. John H. McKinnon, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Concord, and former Maxton pastor.

Bible School Starts Monday In Red Springs

RED SPRINGS—Daily Vacation Bible School will begin on Monday morning, June 13, at the Presbyterian Church when children, ranging from the ages four to twelve, register for the two weeks' program. The bible school will be conducted on a five-day schedule, being held each Monday through Friday from 9 until 12 A. M., for the next two weeks.

Beginner, primary, and junior classes will be supervised by Mrs. R. D. McMillan, Jr., Mrs. O. L. Moore, and Mrs. Thomas A. Fry. Games during the recreation period will compromise a good deal of the morning's activities. Parents are urged to have their children attend this school for an instructive and enjoyable program.

Springs Athletic Awards Announced

RED SPRINGS—Those members of the Red Springs High School who will receive sports awards at the commencement exercises Friday night in the high school auditorium are: Football letters, Bill Stutts, Donald Watson, Robert Beck, Buck Hutson, Tommy Ashford, Bill Lewis, Tommy Ammons, Ertel Edwards, and Bill Coley; Basketball, (boys) Frank McDonald, Al Buie, Robert Beck, Bill Stutts, R. D. Evers, Gorman Williams, and Tommy Ammons; (girls) Eunice Duncan, Christine Armstrong, Jo Anne Hardesty, Mary Hutson, Joan Stevens, Elmira Hickman, Sally McArthur, and Pat McNeill, and baseball, Frank McDonald, Al Buie, Ertel Edwards, Robert Beck, Donald Watson, Bill Stutts, Buck Hutson, Robert Todd, Levon Cribb, and Tommy Ashford.

The students whose names appear more than once will receive both letters and stars for their participation in sports.

Al Grant Rotary President

RED SPRINGS—New officers of the Red Springs Rotary Club who have been elected to take office in July are: President, Al Grant; vice-president, Neil P. Clinton; secretary, Bobby Graham; sgt. at arms, Warren Detwiler; song leader, I. D. Baxley and directors, Hiram Grantham, Al Grant, Bobby Graham, Warren Detwiler and Neil B. Clinton.

Retiring officers for the 1948-49 term are: President, Hiram Grantham; vice-president, Al Grant; secretary, Neil P. Clinton; sgt. at arms, Carl Stubbs, and song leader, Tom A. Fry.

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