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FFA Group Wins Athletic Banner At White Lake

The Future Farmers of America of Wakelon High School attended the camp at White Lake the week of July 4. Twelve boys, along with their teacher, E. D. Ellington, made the trip. The week is divided into competitive athletic events, consisting of softball, volley ball, water ball, ping pong, swimming events, horseshoes and shuffle board. There were twenty four schools represented, from Cleveland to Hyde Counties.

For the first time, as far as it can be determined, Wakelon won the banner for the most points scored in these athletic events. The boys were also judged on "house-keeping," and general conduct. The spirit of these boys, as well as a rugged determination to win were determining factors in winning the banner. Wakelon scored 155 points, while its nearest competitor, Red Oak, scored 147. Two first places, two second places and three third places were won by the Wakelon boys. Rod Horton set a camp record for the underwater swim, travelling 60 yards under water. The four man, 50 yard relay swimming relay team also placed first by a comfortable margin. This team was made up of Reuben McSwain, K. D. Lloyd, J. C. Liles and Buck Massey. Charles Perry advanced to the finals in ping pong.

Those making the trip were: Tommy Temple, K. D. Lloyd, George Crowder, Jimmy Medlin, Billy Bunn, Dwight Horton, Bobby Gill, Rod Horton, J. C. Liles, Buck Massey, Reuben McSwain, Charles Perry.

Services Held Today For Mrs. Bert Seawell

Funeral services will be held this afternoon at Lees Chapel at three o'clock for Mrs. Bert Seawell who died at Rex Hospital Wednesday after an illness of several months.

Mrs. Seawell, the former Doreas Driver, was born and reared in the Lees Chapel community and had made her home in Zebulon for a number of years.

Surviving besides the husband are two daughters: Mrs. Edwin Perry of Creedmoor and Mrs. Cleveland Liles of Wendell, and eight grandchildren.

Pitts-Nichols

On Thursday evening at seven o'clock in the home of the officiating minister, Rev. Theo B. Davis, Miss Lucy Nichols of Durham was married to Mr. W. N. Pitts of Zebulon. The single ring ceremony was used.

The bride is the daughter of Mrs. R. E. Nichols and the late Mr. Nichols of Durham. Mr. Pitts is a retired farmer of this community. The couple will be at home on Arendell Avenue in Zebulon.

Twelve Baptised

The ordinance of baptism was administered by Pastor Mitchell at the Baptist church last Sunday evening in a very beautiful and impressive service. The following young people were received by baptism into full fellowship in the church: Peggy Green, Jennie Vee Watkins, Luther Long, Malcolm Martin, Leonard Lewis, Hazel Tant, Elva Jane Cox, Anne Upchurch, Carolyn Hinton and Janet Upchurch.

OLDHAMS HONORED



Pictured are Rev. and Mrs. S. W. Oldham of Star, who were recently honored by dedication of the minutes of the Montgomery Baptist Association to them. Mr. and Mrs. Oldham are well known in this community, having lived in Wendell for many years where Mr. Oldham served as pastor of the Baptist church.

Soil Conservation Work Promotes Good Seeding

By C. L. Winchester

J. B. Baucom, Soil Conservationist of Wake County, has been detailed to Moore County as acting Work Unit Conservationist while C. A. McKinney is recovering from a heart attack. The present personnel of the office will carry on Mr. Baucom's work until he returns.

The Soil Conservation Service technicians assisted Richard Rand in developing a District Conservation plan on his farm. Some of the terracing was done in the spring. The remainder of his terracing will be done this fall. Contour cultivation will be followed. He plans to develop a poorly drained area to pasture this fall seeding Tall Fescue and Ladino clover. In future years he will sow additional areas to the same mixture along a small stream that is now growing mostly bushes. A sloping field of about 3 acres will be sown this fall to alfalfa and orchard grass. Mr. Rand plans to follow a rotation that will conserve the soil.

Marsh Knott, G. I. Instructor and farmer of Wendell, is being as-

sisted by the Soil Conservation Service in developing a conservation plan on his own farm. Plans for terracing, meadows, pasture crop rotations, and woodland management are being made. Mr. Knott has some very good tobacco soil and is doing a very nice job of keeping the soil where it is by sowing critical areas to grasses and legumes. It is planned that this plan with some variation will be followed. Many farmers attempt to continue clean cultivation of these steep, critical areas but in so doing they are endangering their adjoining fields of good soil.

Recent rains have demonstrated the need of additional soil conservation practices. The seeding of properly placed meadows and contour cultivation would have prevented much of the damage done. F. A. Todd, John Blackard, and Carl Davis of Wendell, C. D. Richardson of Zebulon, and others prepared their meadows in the spring and sowed them in lespedeza. They will sow to a permanent mixture this fall such as orchard grass, ladino clover or alfalfa.

Mayor Opposes Zebulon Bond Issue; Members of Board Make Sharp Reply

Members of the Zebulon Board of Commissioners and the editor of The Zebulon Record answered sharply yesterday Mayor R. H. Bridgers' charges that they were attempting to mislead the public.

Mayor Bridgers, who had previously told friends that he would remain neutral in the campaign to pave streets and sidewalks in Zebulon, last Saturday accused Ferd Davis of the Record of distorting facts in an effort to gain votes for the proposed \$70,000 bond issue, and yesterday addressed a letter to the editor which declared that, contrary to statements of local commissioners, not one cent of the local bond issue would be spent for sidewalks.

Norman Screws, veteran member of the Zebulon town board, stated yesterday that he had checked with Local Government Commission officials in Raleigh and was informed that under the present wording of the ordinance the bond issue money could be used for streets alone or sidewalks alone or both.

Sexton Buys Lot On Horton Street

M. J. Sexton, Zebulon postmaster, purchased the lot on Horton Street offered for sale by the Town of Zebulon on Monday of this week for \$500. The sale was confirmed at a meeting of the Board of Commissioners Monday night and the purchaser was advised that he is to have constructed on the lot a building costing not less than \$8,000 within 12 months of the delivery of the deed.

Mayor R. H. Bridgers reported to the commissioners that the new well being drilled in south Zebulon on Arendell Avenue is now over 225 feet deep. The drillers anticipate that the well will be good and estimate its present capacity at about 48,000 gallons daily.

Town Clerk Willie B. Hopkins, in reporting on the proposed budget for the coming year, advised the commissioners that the present tax rate of \$1.85 is sufficient to make the interest and principal payments on the proposed bond issue without an increase.

Postal Receipts

Postal receipts at the Zebulon post office set an all-time record during the fiscal year ending June 30, Postmaster M. J. Sexton has announced.

Receipts for the past year totaled \$18,023.29, an increase of \$2,598.58 over the previous year, which had also set a new all-time record.

Upsets Mark Softball Play This Week

The Zebulon Record Scribes were pitched into first place in the softball league this week by Carlton Mitchell, who struck out 18 Rocky Nine players as the Scribes won, 3-2, on Monday afternoon.

The Rocky Nine edged the Square Dealers, 3-2, in a closely played game Thursday to complete the first round of play.

On Wednesday Pat Farmer's Wildcats came to life—and clawed the Reddy Kilowatts for 24 runs in taking their first victory. W. A. Allman pitched for the Wildcats in the game, which was called on

account of darkness at the end of the sixth inning.

With vastly improved pitching and fielding, the second round of

Standings

	W	L	Pct.
Scribes	4	1	.800
Square Dealers	3	2	.600
Rocky Nine	3	2	.600
Kilowatts	2	3	.400
Woodchoppers	2	3	.400
Wildcats	1	4	.200

play, which begins next week, is expected to be close.

Crowds have averaged about 300 for the twilight games, all of which are scheduled to start at 6:30.

(Week of July 18)
Monday—Wildcats vs Square Dealers

Tuesday—Kilowatts vs Rocky Nine.

Thursday—WOW vs Scribes.

(Week of July 25)
Monday—Square Dealers vs Kilowatts.

Tuesday—Rocky Nine vs WOW.

Thursday—Scribes vs Wildcats.

Rotary Addressed on Club Service

Armstrong Canady, Club Service chairman of the Zebulon Rotary Club, spoke to the group last Friday night, giving a resume of the plans made by his committee for the coming year. Armstrong, termed by President Willie B. Hopkins as a "fast talker," used his time to excellent advantage in explaining the progressive ideas formulated by his group.

If his plans are carried out, the Zebulon Rotary Club will be recog-

nized in the community for the excellent work it has done. More publicity will be given to its good works.

"People have come to depend on Rotary when they want something done," Armstrong said. He listed various drives such as the Red Cross drive, which has been sponsored and pushed by Rotary, and named the Boy Scouts and Cub Scouts as two examples of the club's work.

Ed Ellington, who attended the District meeting in Smithfield with President Willie B., told the club something of the benefits he had derived from the meeting and a talk by John Park.

Carlton Mitchell, pastor of the Zebulon Baptist Church, asked for help in establishing displaced persons in this community. He stated that he and Paul Carruth, Methodist pastor, both have available information for those interested.

"We figure that we can get the streets paved for \$25,000," he declared, "which will leave nearly twice that amount for paving sidewalks. On the basis of what sidewalks have cost other towns—and I am using information given me by the North Carolina League of Municipalities—we can pave all the sidewalks in Zebulon that need paving with \$45,000.

Commissioners Agree

Vance Brown, Barrie Davis, and Raleigh Alford declared themselves in accord with the statement by Screws, Wesley Liles, the other commissioner, could not be reached for comment, but has declared himself in favor of the bond issue.

"We don't propose to embark on a curbing and guttering campaign in Zebulon," Brown said. "I believe the people are more interested in getting all-weather streets throughout Zebulon than they are in getting just a few streets curbed, guttered, and paved."

Davis cited figures given him by T. V. Fahnstock, paving engineer with the State Highway and Public Works Commission, F. D. Cline & Company, paving contractors, Stokes Concrete Construction Company, James S. Burch, State Planning and Statistics Engineer, the Joe B. Martin Company, W. L. Cobb Construction Company, H. Wolf, Raleigh engineer, Nello Teer, and others in support of his editorial statement of last week which declared that funds would be available for sidewalk paving after all local streets were hard surfaced.

Experienced Engineers

"The figures I have, which were compiled by experienced, competent engineers, both in private business and state employ, show that Zebulon's streets can be hard-surfaced for 36 to 40 cents per square yard, which means a minimum of \$22,508.64 and a maximum of \$25,009.63 for paving the streets," he declared. "These figures are in the Record office, and will be shown to any person who wishes to check them, including the opponents of the bond issue."

Davis declared further that Bridgers' criticism of other cost figures were based on the mayor's calculations alone, and that Bridgers' minimum figure on what Home Builders Corporation would pave the sidewalks for was described by a firm specializing in sidewalk paving as a "high" figure. The Mayor set 30 cents a square foot as the least he or anyone would pave the sidewalks for.

"We are building only 8,000 feet of sidewalk in Raleigh with a great deal of grading," H. Wolf told the Record editor, "and we are getting only 30 cents a square foot. With a job the size of yours, the figure would be appreciably less."