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## Commissioners Plan New Roads In County

The board of county commissioners for Hoke county met in regular monthly session on Monday with four members present. The usual routine bills were considered and passed. Plans were made for aid as supervisors and the board voted a call amount to three.

It was ordered that a road leading from the Raeford Springs state highway by Mr. J. C. Cope's home be completed on to the home of Mr. M. McDonald as soon as possible. A petition for a road from the old one-cho school site to the home of Mr. J. T. Hobson was deferred until the next meeting of the commissioners.

A petition for a road leading from a tenant house on the Dr. Seavey Smith farm near Rockfish station southeast to the Cumberland county line and connecting with a road from that point to a road near H. H. Mills, was ordered laid out and F. P. Johnson, Harvey Monahan and W. E. Blue were appointed to lay it out.

A committee ordered to lay out a road from highway 24 where the Puppy Creek road enters said highway, reported that they had laid out this road from the point above mentioned to a point on the public road leading to the farm of M. S. McDiarmid over the lands of E. L. McNair, W. W. Hall and others. This committee was composed of Edgar Hall, J. H. Blue and J. F. McFadyen.

Figures furnished at the meeting by county auditor J. A. McGowan indicated that the prisoners being worked on the roads of the county were being fed at a net cost of twenty-six and three-quarter cents per day, this amount covering the cost of cooking. It seems to be the feeling of many that there must be some mistake about these figures and that later reports may show a higher cost. There are many, however, who would like to engage board for themselves and families at the same price, of course, that they are required to "put out" any other. It is stated by those familiar with the stockade that the prisoners are well supplied with good wholesome food, suited to the work that they are required to do.

## The Bethel Auxiliary

The Bethel Auxiliary had its foreign mission study class at the church February 27th, all day with box lunches, and it proved to be one of the most interesting and instructive classes it has ever held. It was a real treat to have Dr. and Mrs. W. M. Fairley, Mrs. W. T. Covington, Mrs. G. E. Rowland and Mrs. J. W. Currie from Raeford to present the book, "The Church in China." Each chapter was discussed thoroughly and effectively and all present enjoyed every one. At the regular monthly meeting of the Auxiliary, March 13th, officers will be elected and all members are urged to be present.

## W. E. Evans Addresses Kiwanis Club Meeting

The Kiwanis club had a delicious repast at their meeting Thursday evening prepared and served by the girls in the 10th grade of Raeford school. It certainly spoke well for the girls and their teacher also. The program was in charge of the committee on agriculture and was led by Mr. L. B. Brandon, farm agent of Hoke county. He introduced Mr. W. E. Evans, farm agent of Scotland county, who made an interesting talk on cotton and cotton seed, showing by diagram the field of each grade seed, stating or recommending that farmers use the same grade of seed, especially in a community where all cotton is ginned at the same gin. This would eliminate getting seed mixed, and if so, no difference would be made. Mr. James M. Gray of Raleigh accompanied Mr. Evans. He represented the Chilean Nitrate people.

## Mr. A. L. Gilliland Passes At Vass

Mr. A. L. Gilliland died Sunday at the home of his daughter, Mrs. E. L. Oldham, in Vass. Mr. Gilliland was born in Chatham county, but when a young man settled in Cumberland, now Hoke county, where he married Miss Mary McLeod. For many years he was postmaster at Vass, and he was also engaged in the turpentine business and farming. His wife preceded him to the grave several years ago. About a year ago he moved from Hoke county to Vass and has since lived with his daughter. He is survived by one son, Edward Gilliland, of Southern Pines, three brothers, Worthly Gilliland, of Greensboro, and James and Wesley Gilliland of Bennett, a sister, Mrs. Frances Kidd of Bennett, and five grand children, in addition to the daughter with whom he lived. Funeral services were conducted Monday afternoon by Rev. Charles A. Lawrence, and interment was made in the McLeod family cemetery in Hoke County. He was 77 years of

## Jurors Named For April Term of Court

The following good and lawful men have been drawn to serve as jurors at the April term of Hoke county superior court. Allendale, W. J. McLaughlin; Antioch, J. C. Cope, D. W. Gillis and H. G. Thomas; Blue Springs, J. A. Clark, J. A. Wilkes, Rex Currie, E. W. Norton, James Stevens, W. W. Leach, Henry Teal, G. D. Clark, Hector McNeill; Little River, J. G. Cameron, J. G. Hennings, D. M. Cameron, Wiley Flynn, J. A. Dees, J. V. McFadyen; McLaughlin, West White, W. S. Faircloth, J. T. Townsend, A. W. Wood, O. H. Scull, J. D. B. Lindsay, G. D. Dees, D. M. Ray; Quenberry, L. R. Cochran, G. T. Byrd, Frank Tapp, J. R. Lucas; Raeford, H. J. Rogers, G. C. Lytle; H. H. Holland, J. H. Campbell, W. A. Wright, H. A. Cameron, Milton Campbell; Stonewall, N. A. McMillan, J. E. Sumner, Luther Clark, K. W. Ellis.

Court will convene Monday, April 14th with Judge H. A. Grady of Clinton presiding. A new grand jury will be selected this term to serve one year. Judge Grady has held court here before and is well known and highly esteemed by our people.

## ANTIOCH NEWS.

Mr. and Mrs. Rowland McNeill and son, Rowland, Jr., of Lumberton were guests of Mrs. McNeill's father, Mr. P. McN. Gibson, last Thursday evening.

Miss Sarah Hodgkin of Flora Macdonald College spent last weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Hodgkin.

Miss Hunsucker and daughter, Miss Lucy Hunsucker of Gibson, spent last Thursday in the home of Mrs. Hunsucker's brother, Mr. Ira I. Newton.

Miss Claire Crenshaw of the local school faculty spent last weekend in Fayetteville at Highsmith's hospital the guest of Miss Vysta Markham who is a student nurse there. Miss Crenshaw and Miss Markham taught at Millington last year.

The men of the Church enjoyed a fish fry at the manse Monday evening. This was to have been given in the annex, but on account of the unusually cold evening, they were invited to the manse.

The executive committee of the Ladies Auxiliary also participated in this beautiful repast.

Miss Nan Ewing who has been visiting her sister, Miss Nell Ewing, and aunt, Mrs. D. A. McGowan, for several days, has returned to her home at Candor.

Mrs. H. S. Kirkpatrick spent last Thursday with her sister, Mrs. H. McN. Watson near Red Springs.

Mr. J. C. B. Gibson was a business visitor in Wagram last Wednesday.

Miss Sallie Liles who is attending school at Flora Macdonald College, spent the weekend with her mother, Mrs. D. S. Liles.

Mrs. M. H. McPhaul and daughter, Miss Thelma, and Miss Claire Crenshaw went to Raeford last Sunday evening to hear the Glee club of Maxton Junior College in their concert.

They enjoyed the program ever so much and predict great things for these young men.

Mrs. J. M. Love of Red Springs spent last Wednesday afternoon with her sister, Mrs. Ira L. Newton.

Mr. and Mrs. Neil Sinclair of Raeford were recent visitors in the home of Mrs. Sinclair's father, Mr. John A. McPhaul.

The many friends of Mr. Starling Smith and sister, Miss Margaret, deeply sympathize with them in the death of their brother, Mr. Will Smith, which occurred last Sunday in Pine Bluff, Arkansas.

Mr. Smith was born and raised in the Antioch community and the sympathy of a host of relatives and friends is extended to the family.

Miss Flora Belle Currie of Red Springs spent last Sunday in the home of her uncle, Mr. M. H. McPhaul.

Mr. Mack Gibson, Jr., left Sunday afternoon for Wilmington and Raleigh.

The teachers of the local school were dinner guests last Thursday evening of Mr. and Mrs. George W. Hanna, this being Mr. Hanna's birthday, also the birthday of Miss Stuts of the faculty.

Mr. and Mrs. P. McN. Gibson and family went over to Lumberton last Sunday afternoon.

Miss Lila Liles who is a member of the senior class of Red Springs high school spent last weekend at her home here.

Mr. Elbert McPhaul of Red Springs was a business visitor in and around Antioch recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Neil Archie Smith of Mt. Tabor visited in the home of Mrs. Smith's father, Mr. N. A. Watson, recently.

Mr. John Brown of Lumberton, also Rev. Fred Brown, were guests of Mr. S. P. Smith and sister, Miss Margaret, recently.

**A WAR ON COLLECTIONS.**  
I do not pay; thou dost not pay;  
He does not pay; we have no money  
You have no money;  
Nobody has money.

I have paid; thou hast paid;  
He has money; we have money;  
You have money;  
Everybody has money.

## Recorder's Court Has An Interesting Session

A case that has created quite a bit of interest among the colored people and others, came up for trial in Recorder's Court Tuesday when Maggie and Leslie Hadley were arraigned on a charge of an assault with a deadly weapon. The fracas was the outgrowth of a fight an cutting out at a colored school east of town several weeks ago when a Kemp boy was lacerated about the head to such an extent that he is still wearing plenty of bandages around his head. It appeared that there was "bad blood" between the Kemp and Hadley families and this fight was the outcome. Both defendants entered pleas of guilty to the charge and investigation revealed that Maggie was only fourteen years of age and she was, therefore, remanded to the juvenile court. It is interesting to note that she was unaware of her legal rights on account of her age and that her father had no evidence as to her age, but that the Bureau of Vital Statistics, which were in the court house, showed her to be under sixteen. Leslie Hadley, 17, was put under the care of the court for two years, during which time, if she misbehave, she can be brought into court and punished for this offense. She was also required to pay the costs in the case and pay into the clerk's hands the sum of fifteen dollars to be used in paying the doctor who is treating the Kemp boy.

Lonnix Graham, young colored man, plead guilty to a plea of larceny and was sentenced to four months on the county roads. The solicitor prayed judgment in another case of larceny in which prayer for judgment had been continued just four weeks previously, and he was given two months on this case.

Ed Graham and Bud Campbell, colored, were indicted on a charge of larceny but the state took a nol prosequit.

Those from Hoke county included: Dr. Hooper, Dr. S. M. Bittenger, Dr. G. B. Garrett, Dr. H. R. Cromartie, Dr. G. W. Brown, H. A. Currie, W. P. Baker, L. W. Andrews, L. M. Andrews, D. H. Hodgkin, Jack Hodgkin, Dr. A. C. Bethune, M. W. Dew, C. E. Upchurch, J. B. Thomas, W. M. Thomas, L. S. McMillan, G. A. Fuller, H. A. Greene, Deedy Dash Currie, B. R. Gatlin, H. L. Gatlin, H. L. Gatlin Jr., K. D. Lowe, G. B. Rowland, L. S. McFadyen, R. W. Parks, W. L. Floyd, John A. McGowan, W. R. Barrington, N. McL. McDiarmid, W. C. Odom, N. B. Sinclair, L. B. Brandon, J. B. Cameron, S. J. Cameron, Buckie Chisholm, J. E. Omond, G. D. McQueen, W. S. McLaughlin, H. G. McLaughlin, Dr. McDiarmid, G. D. McFadyen, Lawrence Starnum, Dr. E. A. Matheson, J. W. McLaughlin, W. L. Poole, Frederick Johnson, Eugene Johnson, Phil Johnson, D. B. McFadyen, Joseph Gulleddge, P. C. Howell, Chief Peter Howell, Dr. W. W. Robert, H. B. Aycock, Make McKeithan, Martin McKeithan, Herbert McKeithan, Frank Tapp, Luther Tapp, Arch Tapp, Don Lowe, Lee Teal, M. B. Warren, J. W. Walker, J. C. Wright, A. A. Graham, Charlie Baker, John Hendrix, Will Davis, W. A. Carver, H. R. McLean, Laurie McFadden, B. B. McKeithan, W. B. McKeithan, C. W. Seate, Carl Morris, Bruce Morris, J. S. Poole, F. G. Leach, W. C. Hodgkin, Douglas McLeod, L. M. Lester, Carlton Gibson, J. B. Gibson, F. B. Sexton, John P. McFadyen, Jr., John C. McLean, Jr., James Baker, Harry Cromartie, Clyde Upchurch, Jr., Jimmie Greene, Albert Dow, Edwin Smith, P. McN. Smith, John McPhaul, Rev. W. F. Traywick, W. E. Blue, L. J. Campbell, W. T. Covington, Millard Baker, Cliff Conoly, W. P. Hawfield, Paul Dezerne, John McDiarmid, Clarence Brown, M. S. McDiarmid, Paul Decker, Herman Koonce, Hector McNeill, last but not least "Uncle Bob" Lige, Dave Jones (colored).

## Local Boy Marketing New Patent Medicine

Mr. Roy Reeves, a visiting product of Raeford and the State of North Carolina, has opened laboratories in Asheboro and is putting a patented medicine in the form of a tonic, on the market under the name of the Reeves Laboratories. He was in town one day this week putting his product on the market and meeting old friends who believe that "Roy" has the ability to put across whatever he undertakes.

## Maxton Glee Club Gives Concert Here

The Glee club from the Presbyterian Junior College, Maxton, composed of twelve young men and their leader, Prof. Key, gave a delightful concert at the local Presbyterian church Sunday evening, Mrs. Stancell of Maxton acting as accompanist. Pres. R. A. McLeod and Prof. W. M. Martin also accompanied the club, the latter making a talk to the young people of the church. It was a splendid entertainment and greatly enjoyed by a large and appreciative congregation. Dr. Fairley, pastor of the church, introduced the speaker and made some comments on the achievements and prospects of this young but growing institution.

## Mrs. McColman Honors Friends

Mrs. Lee McColman was hostess at bridge on Wednesday, afternoon at her home on Main street. Her guests were several out-of-town friends and a few friends from Raeford, making up two tables. Her house looked lovely with bright flowers and a very interesting round of games was greatly enjoyed. Mrs. Paul Johnson won high score prize, very handsome book ends. Miss Miriam McInnis made low score. A very elaborate two-course luncheon was served. Those enjoying Mrs. McColman's hospitality were: Mrs. W. L. Gibson, her mother; Mrs. T. C. Pate, Mrs. D. J. Pate, Mrs. L. T. Gibson, Mrs. T. Guthrie Gibson, Miss Miriam McInnis, Mrs. Harry Greene, Mrs. Paul Johnson, Mrs. Julian Johnson.

## Bluemont Hotel Under New Management

The Hotel Bluemont which has been managed for several months by the owners of the property is now being operated by Mr. L. J. Dellinger, formerly of Wilmington and Red Springs. Mr. Dellinger is a hotel man of wide experience and a successful manager of this new and up-to-date hostelry is now anticipated. Raeford welcomes Mr. Dellinger and his good family to the town and wishes for them a happy and successful sojourn in the community. Raeford is proud of the hotel, and of the opinion that no town in the state of its size can boast of a better one. Then again it is gratifying to the people to know that one citizen was financially able to erect or improve a building without soliciting aid from anyone else.

## Hoke County Men Enjoy Big Fish Fry

On the historic banks of Puppy Creek on Wednesday night some one hundred and fifteen people of the masculine gender (more or less) assembled to celebrate another already famous fish fry and cat fish stew. It is difficult to say just who was hosts. Clyde Upchurch, John McGowan, Eldridge Chisholm, Harry Green, Bill Roberts, W. C. Odom, Bob Parks, and several others assisted in the catching of the poor fish, and in making them extremely palatable, though just who deserves credit beyond this would be hard to say. None of the nobs, suffice it to say, was adorned in chiffon, lingerie or other dainty paraphernalia that seems so necessary in an accurate account of a female party.

A week prior to this time the meal was furnished by Fred Johnson of the Puppy Creek variety. This time John Hendrix furnished the famous Upchurch water ground kind and the crowd voted that it was a tie between the two kinds and that the only possible way of breaking this tie was to have it all over again.

Guests from outside the county included Lt. Col. Gordon Smith, United States Property and Disbursing Officer, and Major Charles Barden, both of Raleigh; Dr. J. Vance McGowan, Hon. John G. Shaw, W. A. Peterson, district game and forest warden, and Warden T. I. McMillan, all of Fayetteville.

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## Six Wives of Former Presidents Still Live

The spotlight of public interest has turned its glare away from six women in the United States whose names were once household words. They are living quietly and without public acclaim as hundreds of thousands of other American women do—yet once they presided over the White House, in Washington, as the first ladies of the land.

The six are Mrs. Thomas J. Preston, formerly Mrs. Grover Cleveland; Mrs. Theodore Roosevelt, Mrs. William Howard Taft, Mrs. Woodrow Wilson and Mrs. Calvin Coolidge, all of whom lived in the White House; and Mrs. Benjamin Harrison, who was married to Mr. Harrison after he retired from the presidency. She, too, had her share of White House life, however, for she was a niece of the first Mrs. Harrison and spent much time in Washington.

## Parkton Man Dies From Brutal Assault

Alex McKay, negro, of the Parkton section of Robeson County, died in a Fayetteville hospital Monday from injuries received Friday when he was brutally beaten. It is alleged McKay was waylaid and beaten down with a heavy iron pin by Gus McKeithan, negro, of the same community, and was then dragged 200 yards to a ditch bank where the senseless body was thrown. McKeithan is held in the Robeson county jail on a charge of murder.

## Mother of Mrs. H. S. McLean Seriously Ill

Mrs. M. M. Copeland, mother of Mrs. H. S. McLean, has been critically ill at her home in Rockingham since Sunday. Mrs. McLean being notified Sunday night that she was very low. Mrs. McLean went at once to her bedside where she is. Latest advices state that she is a little improved and hope is held out for her recovery.

## William J. Smith Dies in Arkansas

Mr. William J. Smith, a native of the Antioch section but for 35 or 40 years a citizen of the state of Arkansas, died at his home in Pine Bluff that state last Saturday night at 11 o'clock. He was ill for only one day, and hence his passing was rather sudden and unexpected. He has many relatives in this section and will be remembered by the older people, especially around Antioch. Mr. Smith was about 60 years of age and is survived by his widow, six children, four sons and two daughters, also one brother and one sister.

## Bank of Wagram To Re-Open Soon

The reopening of the Bank of Wagram, which closed its doors on Monday, Feb. 17, by order of its board of directors, is expected to take place soon as the result of a meeting of the depositors at Wagram on last Monday afternoon. At this meeting Attorney J. Dickson McLeod of Lumberton explained the plan upon which it is proposed to re-open the bank and an agreement was signed by practically all the depositors present at this meeting to that effect.

After an examination of the bank's affairs by representatives of the State corporation commission, which showed the bank's business to have been most honorably handled and every dollar of its funds strictly accounted for, it was announced that the bank would be permitted to re-open for business, if the depositors were willing, on condition that all deposits on hand at the time the bank was closed remain untouched until January 1, 1932. Separate accounts will be kept, it is stated, of the deposits made subsequent to the reopening of the bank. This will allow two years, or two crop periods in which to collect loans, now outstanding and get the bank's affairs in shape for paying off all accounts on deposit at the time it was closed February 17.

It is understood that the bank at Rowland last year was permitted to re-open on a similar basis and that something of the same plan was used in reopening the Bank of McColl (S. C.) a few years ago.

A matter that stands everlastingly to the credit of the officials of the Bank of Wagram is that none of them owe the bank any considerable amount of money and a big share of its deposits are in the names of the officers and directors of the bank.

The fact that the reopening of the bank is now assured is news that will be received happily by every one in any way acquainted with the situation or interested in it, and it is hoped that agriculture and business conditions generally will be so improved in the period between now and January 1, 1932, that the institution will be able to collect loans outstanding and make its assets available for any use or purpose necessary.

## President of Woman's College At Red Springs Stamps As Untrue And Founded Reports Being Circulated Concerning the Institution; Charlotte News Carries Article Denigratory to College; Dr. Vardell Replies.

Red Springs, March 6.—Considerable discussion is rampant in this section of North Carolina today concerning a news article appearing in The Charlotte News under date of March 5 with respect to Flora Macdonald College and resignations of faculty members. It is regrettable that so good a paper as The Charlotte News should be taken in on any such bunk when the source and purpose of the information is so obvious.

## Dr. Vardell's Letter to the Paper

The college officials are very emphatic in denying the report that the college is in dire financial straits or that there is any likelihood of its being made into a junior college, and that any unusual number of faculty changes are being made this year. The college resents the reports and insinuations being circulated by certain persons concerning the institution and is broadcasting to the world that the gossip is unfounded, untrue, and malicious.

Immediately upon receipt of The Charlotte News here Wednesday afternoon Dr. Vardell, president of the college, wrote the Charlotte paper as well as other daily State papers denying the rumors in no uncertain terms.

Dr. Vardell's letter to the paper follows:

"My attention has been called to an article in your paper of this date. May I offer a few suggestions.

"Your reporter seems to think that Flora Macdonald College is going to pieces because out of the faculty of some twenty-six members three were resigning. The fact is, that there was but one resignation before the board—that of Miss Caldwell—and one request for a transfer. That is, after thirty-three years of service as president, requested to be transferred to the chair of Bible. May I say that it is not as your paper says, on account of ill health. I am glad to say that I am sound and well. My reason for the change is what I desire to give my time to what is really my specialty—the teaching of the Bible. Miss Caldwell leaves. I remain. Touching Dr. Stuart reported by you as resigning, the facts are as follows: During the summer of 1928 our Professor of Bible was taken ill. Dr. Stuart, recently returned from China, was induced to fill the vacancy for one year. In 1929 we were vet without a Bible professor and Dr. Stuart consented to postpone his year of study at Yale for one more year and teach for us during 1929-30. Here again is no resignation but the close of a contract. Mr. McLeod notified the Board of Trustees in September last that he had other plans and requested them to look for a man to fill his place. The connection of Mr. A. H. Strick with the college was terminated by the board of trustees but not by resignation. May I say that the places made vacant, possibly two exceptions—the president and business manager—have already been filled with most competent people.

"That Flora Macdonald College is to become a junior college is one of Charlotte's jokes. We do not blame you gentlemen for pulling for Charlotte, but don't try to pull down other people's houses to get lumber to build your own. That is really not being right neighborly. This college has done and is doing good college work. We have the same rating and standing in all respects as Queens. No one need suppose that the losing by resignation, or otherwise, three or even six members out of a large and capable faculty will in any measure tend to cripple this institution.

"Hoping that you will be kind enough to give this explanation to your readers, I am

"Yours very truly,  
"C. G. Vardell, President."

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