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Name Polling Officials For Various Precincts

The Hoke County Board of Elections, composed of J. S. Johnson, Ryan McBryde and B. L. Cox met in the court house last Saturday morning and appointed registrars and poll holders for the various precincts as follows: Allendale—H. F. Currie, Kenneth Everleigh, J. W. Hasty; Antioch—P. McN. Gibson, J. A. McPhaul, Jr., W. W. Strickland; Blue Springs—J. A. McQueen, J. B. Covington, R. J. Hasty; Little River—J. W. Smith, Daniel McGill H. O. Wooten; Glenecho (Puppy Creek Mill)—D. K. Parker, J. H. Monroe, Hugh Blair; Rockfish—Neil Townsend; Frank Betha, Nazroo Barefoot; Quewhiffle—Herbert Bevan, A. B. Tapp, J. T. Robertson; Arabia—J. L. McFadyen, B. Tolar, E. McMillan; Dundarrach—N. A. McInnis, W. L. Culbreth, G. W. Pittman; Raeford—J. B. Cameron, L. M. Andrews, R. M. Cox.

The first named above will serve as registrar and the second named as the Democratic poll holder and the third named as the Republican poll holder except in some precincts where there were no Republicans.

The board named Puppy Creek Mill as the voting place in what has heretofore been Glenecho, the school house having been moved away and it being necessary to select a new voting place. They state that if there is any objection to this change that a hearing will be had on the matter.

No one appeared before the board to make recommendations and the meeting was a very quiet affair.

ANTIOCH NEWS.

Junior-Senior Banquet

The junior class of Antioch high school was hostess to the seniors and a number of invited guests at a banquet at the teacherage Friday evening, April 11.

The room was decorated in gold and white, senior class colors. The color scheme was carried out in the favors, yellow rose mint cups and the place cards which were gold ships with white sails. In the center of the big table was a miniature gold ship which contained the favors of those present. The room was lighted with gold candles.

The program was centered around the senior class motto, "Tonight we launch, where shall we anchor?" The toasts were as follows: toast mistress—Margaret Kirkpatrick; "Building of the Ship"—Margaret Livingston; "To the Ship Builders"—Virginia Williford; response—Miss Kate McMillan; "To the Passengers"—Edna Biggs; response—Vera Quick; "On the Pier"—Mr. R. A. Smolak; "Sailing of the Ship"—Margaret Kirkpatrick; "To the Musician"—Calton Gibson; duet, "Sailing"—Margaret McPhaul, Annie Mae Gibson.

The following menu was served: Grapefruit cocktail, chicken croquettes, mashed potatoes, beans, stuffed eggs, pickle, rolls, hot salad, saltines, gelatine, cake, mints, tea.

At the close of the banquet all received from the ship prophecies which were read aloud.

Music was furnished throughout the evening by Mr. Murdoch McDuffie of Raeford.

Those present were: Vera Quick, Margaret Livingston, Annie Mae Gibson, Margaret McPhaul, Margaret Kirkpatrick, Virginia Williford, Edna Biggs, Calton Gibson, Miss Stuts, Miss McLean, Miss McMillan, Miss Crenshaw, Mr. and Mrs. Smoak, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hodgins, Mack Gibson, Bernice McRacken, Lloyd McPhaul, Hinton McPhaul, Walter McBryde, James McBryde, Graham McKenzie, Archie McGowan, Daniel G. Biggs, John McPhaul, Margaret McNeill, Douglas McLeod.

Local and Social

Mr. Raymond McRacken who is a student at Chapel Hill, spent the Easter holidays with his parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Wade H. Leggett of Winston-Salem spent the weekend visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. T. Skipper and Mr. and Mrs. J. W. McPhaul.

Mrs. P. McN. Gibson and Mrs. H. S. Kirkpatrick were in Lumberton a short while last Friday afternoon. Miss Claire Crenshaw has been quite sick for several days. She was carried over to Highsmith's hospital in Fayetteville last Saturday morning and her many friends are delighted to know that she is much better and expects to be able to teach again this week.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Livingston and family went over to Gibson last Sunday afternoon to visit relatives.

Miss Edna Earle Biggs and Jack McNeill spent the weekend in Lumberton visiting Misses Hazel Biggs and May McNeill.

Mr. James McPhaul of State College, Raleigh, spent the holidays here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. McPhaul.

The many friends of Miss Stuts will be sorry to learn that her brother, Shelton, was one of seven boys who was in an automobile wreck near Gibson one night last week. He was the only one of the number who was hurt and has been in a critical condition since.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Fairley of State College, the former holidays here with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. K.

Raeford Has Slight Population Increase

The News-Journal has received a notice from Mr. W. C. Downing of Fayetteville, Supervisor of the Census for the 11th N. C. District, giving a preliminary count of the population as of April 1st, 1930, which shows a population of 1302 within the city limits of Raeford as compared with 1,235 in 1920. He states that this estimate is subject to correction.

In this connection it is well to state that there are a large number of dwellings, really a part of the town, which are outside the corporate limits, and some dwellings empty on account of the mill being closed, which, in normal times, would show a much larger population.

State Normal Quartet Entertains Kiwanians

One of the very best entertainments ever given in Hoke County was rendered last Thursday night in Kiwanis hall when the male quartet of the State Normal College, colored, of Fayetteville entertained the club members and a number of guests for more than a half hour with a splendid selection of songs, everyone of which went over in a big way to a most appreciative audience. This quartet is under the direction of Prof. James E. Coppage and is composed of the following students: bass, C. Sampson; baritone, L. Wooten; 2nd tenor, D. Sykes, and 1st tenor, A. Sampson. The first and last being brothers and one being able to go as high with tenor as the other is low with a bass voice that has no bottom.

This quartet has won many prizes at various places and has reached the point that they have to select out of some contests in order to get other quartets to compete at all. They frequently broadcast over the radio and local radio fans who have heard them are loud in their praise of their singing. Their program here was varied, with a predominance of spirituals but every number was a good one. They were brought to Raeford by Mr. Lewis, a member of the Fayetteville club, who praised very highly the work being done over at the college. Prof. Coppage, also, spoke a few well chosen words about the aims of the college and made a most favorable impression.

Dr. Fairley, as invited this quartet to come to the Presbyterian church here on the night of May 7th to give a sacred concert and the invitation was accepted. Dr. E. E. Smith, president of the college, will come with them and make a talk. The public is invited to come and hear them.

Organize A Melon Growers' Association

More than half the acreage planted in watermelons in Hoke County was represented in a meeting at the court house Tuesday afternoon when the Hoke County Melon Growers' Association was organized. A permanent organization was perfected with the following directors: F. F. McPhaul, chairman, Jesse Gibson and J. A. McPhaul, and L. B. Brandon, County Agent. 480 acres were signed at this meeting and more acreage is expected to be signed later. "The Sugar Melons, Incorporated," of Moultrie, Ga., with Mr. D. K. Young, president and manager, will handle the crop of these growers.

This company has made a rather enviable reputation for its patrons for the past three years under the direction of Mr. Young. Any grower in the county who wishes to join may do so by signing the contract for delivery and marketing.

Sanatorium Children Had Real Easter Day

Sanatorium, April 22.—Through the kindness of Mrs. T. B. Upchurch, president, Mrs. H. A. Cameron and other members of the Raeford Woman's club, the boys and girls at the Children's Division at the North Carolina Sanatorium enjoyed an egg hunt party on Easter Monday. The Raeford ladies sent the eggs and furnished the prizes for the lucky children winning them.

Nurses at the Sanatorium arranged miniature Easter egg nests for the 175 bed patients at the institution, these being placed on the breakfast trays on Easter Sunday morning. Following a custom of several years, the members of the Sunshine Club, consisting of the wives of Sanatorium physicians and employees, arranged larger Easter egg nests for the patients' and employees' tables in the dining rooms. More than 1,000 eggs were dyed by Mr. J. B. Womble, the Sanatorium steward.

St. Anne's Guild of the Church of the Good Shepherd, Raleigh, which has remembered the men at the Prison Division at Christmas for several years, sent them Easter candies.

Watson. Mr. Neill Watson, Jr., left Wednesday for Wallace where he will work during the strawberry season.

State Championship Baseball Game At Red Springs Friday

Raeford enters the championship this year against the strong Laurinburg team Friday at Red Springs.

Raeford and Laurinburg have split in the series this year each winning one—Raeford defeating them in the early part of the season by a score of 11-3, but Laurinburg defeated locals in a tight contest there 6-5.

Rogers will likely pitch for the locals while Everette will most likely pitch for Laurinburg. Everette won his game while Rogers has not pitched against them this year. Raeford's sluggers have been in a slump in the last few games but are only saving to the championship.

Raeford goes to Red Springs this year hoping to repeat again this year. Last year the locals won out by a score of 6-12. The winner plays the winner of the Hamlet-Rowland series.

"Cool Knights" Was Big Success Friday

"Cool Knights," a home talent show under the auspices of the U. D. C. was staged at the school house last Friday night and was a big success from start to finish and netted the chapter the sum of thirty-two dollars. It was an unusually clean performance and those participating did their parts well.

Supt. W. E. Pell Goes To Troy School

The board of trustees of the Troy city schools, at a meeting last week, unanimously elected Mr. W. E. Pell, superintendent of Raeford schools, to the superintendency of the Troy schools for next year at an increase in salary over the amount paid here. Mr. Pell has accepted the position and this means that he will not be back here next year.

Mr. Pell has been superintendent of the local school for two years and has made many friends here who will regret to see him go and his family will leave Raeford.

Ashmont Pupils To Present Play Tonight

The high school pupils at Ashmont school will present a three-act play, "Aron Slick From Punkin Creek," in the school auditorium Friday evening, April 25, at 8:15. The public is cordially invited.

This is a clean rural comedy which will furnish much laughter and enjoyment for all.

This is the first of the commencement exercises. The play is being given now so as to lighten the work of pupils at commencement.

A small admission will be charged to defray expenses of commencement. A large crowd is expected.

Arrest Colored Woman On Whiskey Charge

Jennie Jones, a well known colored woman, and son, Abraham, were arrested by county officers last Saturday after nine pints of intoxicating fluid had been found in their home about two miles north of Raeford. The whiskey was concealed in a table which had a blind opening in the top and a small compartment underneath making detection very difficult. It is understood that the case will be handled in Federal Court.

Hoke People Attend Presbytery Meeting

Following is a list of those who attended the meeting of Fayetteville Presbytery in Maxton on Tuesday and Wednesday: Rev. A. D. Carswell, Mr. S. J. Cameron from Sandy Grove; Mr. L. A. McInnis from Dundarrach; Mr. Graham McLeod from Shiloh; Mr. W. J. McDiarmid from Bethel; Mr. D. M. Johnson from Phillip; Dr. W. M. Fairley and Mr. J. H. Campbell from Raeford.

Tax Body Petitions For Special Session

Messrs John Scull, Floyd Monroe, Harry Greene, J. E. Conoly, W. T. Covington and L. McEachern attended the state meeting of the association for tax relief in Raleigh Monday, going as delegates from the local association. This body went on record as favoring the state taking over the six months' school term and petitioned the governor to call a special session of the legislature to be elected in November soon after the election. The Attorney General has advised that this can be done but just what attitude the Governor will take is not known.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Born to Mr. and Mrs. N. B. Bullard a daughter, Peggie Dalton, on Tuesday, April 22, in Pittman's hospital. Mrs. Bullard before marriage was Miss Virginia Cowan.

Charges Against Sinclair Dropped

Wilson, April 22.—A United States district court grand jury this afternoon failed to return a true bill against Judge N. A. Sinclair, of the North Carolina superior court, charged with violating the national prohibition laws, by possessing and transporting intoxicating liquors.

The Fayetteville jurist was charged with possessing and transporting whiskey in bills of indictment sent to the grand jury by the United States District Attorney W. H. Fisher, of Wilmington. Warrant for Judge Sinclair's arrest was sworn out by C. S. Coates, federal prohibition agent, who preferred the charge after a search of the jurist's luggage and discovery of a pint bottle of whiskey and an empty whiskey flask, on Sunday, March 30. Preliminary hearing on the charges was to have been held before United States Commissioner I. W. Massey, at Selma, Saturday, but were postponed indefinitely last Friday. The case was removed to a local commissioner but following conference last night and today with friends here Judge Sinclair waived preliminary hearing and the bills of indictment were sent to the grand jury for action.

The grand jury received the bills this morning and this afternoon returned them to the court room, which was filled to capacity by interested spectators who were anticipating such a move. Judge F. M. Meekins, of Elizabeth City, presiding over the court, read the notations "Not a true bill" for the benefit of friends of the jurist who were in the court room at the time.

Judge Sinclair, upon being informed that the grand jury had found "not a true bill" upon the charges presented against him, appeared greatly relieved.

The jurist has suffered great humiliation, embarrassment and untold mental anguish since the charges were preferred against him by the prohibition agent and plainly shows the mental suffering he has undergone.

In an interview granted newspaper men, Judge Sinclair said:

"I think the people of North Carolina should be proud of my position in this unfortunate matter," and continued, saying, "at the time of the occurrence I had just completed the trial of a hotly contested lawsuit in Martin county in which the feelings of the participants had been wrought upon to a high degree. I felt it my duty as a judge to set aside the verdict rendered by the jury and naturally this was a bitter disappointment to those who wished the verdict to stand.

"My bag was searched by the prohibition officer just after I left Wilmington after completing this trial, when to my surprise a bottle of whiskey was found in my grip I at first assumed that it had been placed there by some partisan in the lawsuit above referred to who wished to embarrass me on account of my action in setting aside the verdict. I therefore, expressed the opinion that the whole thing was a frame-up. Later on I found this was not the case, but that the bottle had been placed in my grip by an acquaintance without my knowledge.

"I think the entire matter can be covered when I say that the bottle of whiskey was not my whiskey, and was not placed in my grip by me nor with my knowledge.

It has also been stated that another bottle was found in my grip at the same time. It is true that a small empty flask which had once contained whiskey was found there. These are the circumstances in that connection. When I was in Baltimore at the time of the recent illness and death of my wife, and was worn out with anxiety and sleeplessness a relative gave me this small flask of whiskey and I used it there under those circumstances. The empty flask was placed in my grip and had been there ever since."

MOTORCYCLE RACE IN ALPS THIS SUMMER

Paris — A six-day International Motorcycle race has been organized by the French Motorcycle Union, the Italian Motor Club and the Swiss Motorcycle Union, to take place July 29, to August 3, 1930, in eastern France, Switzerland and Italy, according to advices received from Assistant Automotive Trade Commissioner Schuette.

TO SET UP GLIDING INSTITUTE

Paris—With the continued increase in gliding in France, recommendations for the formation of a gliding institute have been placed before the French Air Ministry by two prominent aeronautics associations which have offered aid to the government in the way of finance, material and counsel, according to a report received from the Department of Commerce from Automotive Trade Commissioner Finger.

TOOK NO ORDERS

Salesman (hastily): "Don't talk to me that way. I take orders from no man."

"I noticed that on the report of your last trip."

Aged Citizen Of Dundarrach Passes

Mr. Calvin Blue of the Dundarrach community, died at the home of his son-in-law, Mr. Luther Clark, Saturday afternoon, April 19th, at 5 o'clock after only two or three days' illness with pneumonia and afflictions of the heart. He was in Raeford Wednesday before and none of his friends dreamed that his departure was so near, but he began to complain that afternoon and a physician was called and everything done that could be done, but he continued to grow worse until death relieved his sufferings as stated above. Mr. Blue was a native of Richmond county, coming to this section several years ago, was an honorable industrialist and highly respected citizen and held in high esteem by all who knew him. He lost his wife, who was a Miss Butler before marriage, in 1914, and he had been making his home in recent years with his children. He had just entered his 70th year of age, having been born April 5th, 1861. Mr. Blue was a consistent member of Bethel Presbyterian church, from which the funeral was held Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock by his pastor, Rev. A. D. Carswell, and interment was made in the cemetery there. He is survived by one son and three daughters, Mr. Neill R. Blue of Fairmont, Mrs. Luther Clark and Mrs. John Walters of Hoke county and Mrs. Boyd Butler of St. Pauls, besides a large number of grand children. A large crowd attended the funeral, indicating in a small way the esteem in which he was held. The active pall bearers were H. H. McKenzie, J. W. McKenzie, W. J. McBryde, D. M. McBryde, Judson Lee and R. H. Gibson.

Six Units Compete In Rifle Shoot Here

Over at the old Black place in the Fort Bragg reservation, about four miles north of Raeford, six National Guard companies met Monday for a rifle meet, with Company L, 120th Infantry, of Parkton, taking first place and battery F, 252nd Art. of Raeford, winning second place. A team of five from each company, 50 in all, competed and Captain H. H. Winslow-Salem, and Sergeant Scott of Greensboro tied for the highest individual score.

Companies competing were: Co. J, of Parkton, E. of Concord and G. of Winston-Salem, all of the 120th Infantry, and Battery C of Greensboro and F of Raeford, both of the 252nd Artillery and Combat Train from Raeford. Battery F of Raeford was a close runner-up on Parkton for first place, scoring only nine points behind.

Presbytery Met In Maxton This Week

Fayetteville Presbytery met in the Junior College auditorium for its spring session Tuesday and Wednesday. The opening sermon was preached by Rev. J. F. Menius of Lillington. Dr. Carl S. Matthews of Lumberton preached the presidential sermon on "The Power of the Resurrection." Rev. Joseph H. Walker of Raleigh spoke in the interest of the West Raleigh Presbyterian church on Wednesday afternoon.

Annual reports from the 96 churches in this presbytery for the church year which closed March 31 were presented to the presbytery for review. Fayetteville presbytery consists of 96 churches, 45 ministers and 11,000 church members or communicants.

The day sessions were held in the college auditorium while the evening meetings were in the local Presbyterian church.

The Presbyterian Junior College and the citizens of Maxton acted as joint hosts to the Presbyterian delegates.

Unite With Baptists To Welcome Pastor

The Methodist and Presbyterian churches of Raeford will unite with the Baptist church Sunday night in a union service to welcome the new Baptist preacher, Mr. Miller, and family to Raeford. Everyone is cordially invited to attend this service.

Dr. R. A. Lapsley To Preach Sermon Flora Macdonald College

Rev. L. A. Lapsley, D. D., pastor of the First Presbyterian church of Columbia, S. C., will preach the Baccalaureate sermon to the Senior class of Flora Macdonald College on Sunday morning, May 18, 1930. Dr. Lapsley is an excellent speaker. A man of deep insight and consecrated Christian character. This will be a rich opportunity for all who will be able to hear him.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to take this method of thanking our friends and neighbors for the many acts of kindness and sympathy to us during the illness and recent death of our father, Mrs. Luther Clark and family.

Recorder's Court Has Heavy Docket

Twelve cases were on the docket for trial in Recorder's court Tuesday and were disposed of as follows:

Tom Ray, colored, charged with driving by a school bus while loading or unloading children, was found guilty and taxed with the costs. Three cases were against Carl Cheek, white, charging careless and reckless driving, violation of the prohibition laws and driving a car while under the influence of whiskey. The state and counsel for the defendant agreed on a continuance for four weeks. Payton Washington, an elderly colored man, plead guilty to the possession of a pint of whiskey on the highway and was taxed with the costs under a continued prayer for judgment. Bill Sheppard, a young white man of Quewhiffle township, was found guilty of careless and reckless driving and was taxed \$25.00 and the costs. He appealed to Superior Court.

John Miller, colored, 1st son, Sing Miller, were charged with the possession of a whiskey still and other paraphernalia for the manufacture of whiskey. Sing was found not guilty and John guilty. He was sentenced to four months on the county roads. D. C. Ritter, white, mail carrier of Moore county plead guilty to passing a school bus while loading and unloading children and was taxed with the costs. Jim McCrimmon, colored of Stonewall Township, was indicted on two counts: one for larceny and the other for cruelty to animals. The state took a not prose in both cases after hearing a part of the evidence. Spence McEirt, colored, of Allendale Township, was found not guilty of a charge of violating the fish laws. Christine Blue, colored, plead guilty to a charge of larceny and prayer for judgment was continued upon payment of the costs and restitution for the stolen property.

Body of Noted Diplomat Is Moved To New Lot

After resting its original grave in Old Bethesda Cemetery since 1918, the body of America's and Abraham Lincoln's distinguished citizen, Walter Hines Page, was moved last week to the new lot recently acquired by the survivors of the noted diplomat, as the oak topped hill south of the old church. There, among some of the oldest and largest oak trees in the section, hard by the church which meant so much to him in his youth and later years, lies the great stone slab which marks the grave of a man who made local, state, national and world history.

It is truly a picturesque setting, the highest point of Old Bethesda Cemetery. The recently completed Walter Hines Page Memorial Highway skirts the mound on the left, a walk of stone slabs leading up to the grave from the roadway. It is the typical Southern setting which Mr. Page would have himself chosen for his final resting place—surrounded by the trees he loved, the historic church, the old Bethesda road, and with negro shacks within a stone's throw.

The original marker, a slab of native stone, was moved to the new lot, and around the entire plot in which one day will rest the other members of Mr. Page's family, a wall of the same stone has been laid, and shrubs and plants and trees have been set out. The late Ambassador to the Court of St. James, who played such a prominent part in the World War, is at present the only one resting on the little hill.

There has been some talk of a monument to more prominently mark the grave of so distinguished a citizen of his country, but it is understood that members of the Page family have discouraged the plans of various patriotic and other organizations to alter in any way the simplicity which they feel Mr. Page himself would have preferred. The Memorial Highway, a tribute from his native state, is, they believe, sufficient public acknowledgment of what Mr. Page did for and meant to North Carolina and its citizens.—Pilot.

Lambeth Withdraws From Congress Race

Lexington, April 17. — J. Walker Lambeth, Thomasville manufacturer and former state senator, who recently announced his candidacy for Congress in the seventh district, today announced from his political headquarters here that he is withdrawing from the race. Business reason of a compelling nature, are assigned in the formal statement. Mr. Lambeth gave out through Major Wade H. Phillips, who had been chosen as his district manager.

The retirement of Mr. Lambeth, who had not yet formally filed his candidacy with the state board of elections, leaves only Representative W. C. Hammer, of Asheboro, in the race for the nomination. Mr. Hammer filed his fee last week. Collis G. Spencer, of Carthage, is his Republican opponent.

The Thomasville man declared that the many assurances of support he had received from all parts of the district indicated that his success was assured.