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COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEET IN SPECIAL SESSION

The Board of County Commissioners met in special session for the purpose of fixing the tax levies and to hear those who are opposed to the county taking over the district school bonds and State loans. Those who raised objection to the county taking over the bonds and loans were from the Allendale and Little River Townships and were represented by Justice L. R. Varsar from Lumberton. Their contention was that it is unfair for those who have not voted the bonds to have to assume their proportionate part of the payment of them. The commissioners were asked not to give approval and not allow the debt service item in the six months' school term. The commissioners had approved the item in the budget upon petition of the county board of education.

Those who favored the bonds and loans being taken over by the county claimed that the school buildings are a necessary item of expense for the operation of the six months' constitutional school term and they asked the commissioners to abide by the decision that had been adopted on the first Monday in August, to take over all loans and bonds. The matter had been under consideration for a number of years and some of the loans had already been assumed by the county in the six months' school term. Those who favored the proposition considered it fair that all parts of the county should share equally for the indebtedness that had been lawfully incurred for the erection and equipping of the necessary school buildings. A great majority of the county is under local tax and the districts will be relieved of the payments of the bonds and loans and in that way a great majority of the people will be relieved of more special tax than will be necessary by the county taking over the bonds and loans.

Allendale Township, under the county-wide plan of origination approved by a majority of the school committeemen of the county and adopted by the county board of education four or five years ago, was paying for the building and equipment for the consolidated district an it was contended that it would be fair and just that the Allendale district should assume their part of the payment of the bonds and loans. It was further contended that the Aberdeen Chapel and Glenecho districts were consolidated with the Raeford district under the countywide plan and that it looked fair that they should be paying their proportional part of the indebtedness, and that districts are practically on an equal basis when their indebtedness is compared to their valuation and all would benefit on an equal basis.

After hearing both sides of the proposition the commissioners went into executive session and decided to let the matter stand as it had been approved on the first Monday in August.

SOUP BEING CANNED IN DIFFERENT PARTS OF HOKE

Extending the idea of putting up soup mixture for the lunch room at the local school, other parts of the county have been doing some excellent work of the same nature, the mixture to be used in combating Pellagra. At Gold Hill, near Dundarrach, some twenty-five ladies met recently and put 365 quarts. They were high in their praise of the assistance rendered them by the colored people who made contributions.

At Antioch the ladies gathered at Mrs. Hodgins and put up a large quantity. A good start was made in the Montrose neighborhood with 110 cans the first day. The ladies of the Raeford community had another canning at the home of Mrs. Will Lentz and put up over 500 cans making their total nearly one thousand. If ever a worthy work was undertaken this is certainly one and the ladies deserve great credit for their unselfish work.

YEAR BOOKS NOW READY

The Year Books for the Woman's Club of Raeford have come, and can be secured from Mrs. H. S. McLean Treasurer. All members are urged to get their Year Books as soon as possible.

UNIVERSITY ALUMNI OF HOKE COUNTY TO GIVE SUPPER

On next Wednesday afternoon at six o'clock the University Alumni of Hoke County will give a supper at the Country Club to all Hoke County boys who are now in College or are planning to go to college this Fall. The exact nature of the feed has not been decided, but will likely be barbecue, Brunswick stew and other accessories. Invitations will be mailed each boy, but in case one is overlooked he can consider himself invited. President Frank Graham of the University has agreed to be present, and in addition there will be several other visitors from out of the County. The Kiwanis Club will be invited to attend. In fact the parties behind this supper are planning to pull off one of the biggest events of its kind that has ever been held in Hoke County.

ANTIOCH NEWS

Mr. George Murray Hodgins of Borger, Texas, arrived Tuesday night to spend several days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Hodgins.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. McPhaul and family spent Wednesday at White Lake.

Mrs. Mary McRae who has been visiting her brother and sister-in-law Mr. and Mrs. Ira Newton has returned to her home at Roberdell.

Miss Mary McNeill of Lumberton spent last Thursday afternoon at her home here. She returned to her work as a student nurse at Baker's Thursday night.

Mr. C. McL. Hodgins of Enfield, N. C., is spending a week's vacation here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Hodgins.

Miss Thelma McPhaul of Reidsville spent last Sunday here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. H. McPhaul.

Rev. Fred Brown of Lumberton preached at Antioch Sunday and his sermon was enjoyed by all who heard him. On account of a rainy day there were not so many present at the service.

Miss Kate Dalton who is a student nurse in Johns Hopkins Hospital in Baltimore has returned to her work after spending a month's vacation here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Dalton.

Miss Margaret Hodgins who has been attending summer school at Greenville is expected home next Friday.

We are glad to know that Mr. M. H. McPhaul is improving rapidly now and able to be out of his room some. His many friends will be glad to see him out again.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Rowland McNeill and Rowland, Jr., also Miss Annie Mae Gibson of Lumberton spent last Tuesday evening in the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. McN. Gibson.

Mr. Henry Newton of Baxley, Ga., spent a few days recently in the home of Mr. Ira Newton.

Messrs. Hinton Floyd and Cecil McPhaul with Misses Margaret and Kathryn McPhaul returned Sunday evening from a several days visit to Hendersonville and other points in Western North Carolina.

Professor R. E. Sentelle of Southport, visited friends and relatives here last Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Smoak have returned to their home here after an extended visit to relatives in South Carolina.

Mr. Thomas McLaughlin is a member of a party spending several days at Montreat.

Mrs. D. A. McGoogan and Mr. and Mrs. Henry McPhaul and children spent last Sunday in Sanford.

BAPTIST REVIVAL TO BEGIN

The Baptist Revival will begin Sunday, August 24, lasting through August 31. Rev. Fred A. Bowers of Altemarle will conduct the services at 11 each morning and at 8:00 each night.

Everyone is invited to attend these services.

Treasury receipts for August 18, were \$7,787,586.08; expenditures \$10,036,826.88; balance \$99,431,899.36.

RAEFORD PUBLIC SCHOOL BEGINS THE FALL TERM SEPTEMBER 1ST, 9 A.M.

The Raeford public school will begin the fall term Monday, September 1st, at 9 o'clock a. m. Patrons of the school are cordially invited to be present at the opening.

Members of last year's faculty who will return are as follows: Mesdames J. C. McLean, Jr., R. A. Matheson and Ina P. Bethune; Misses Ruth Fulcher, Anne Buie, Margie Campbell, Elizabeth Tyson, Jessie Heafner, Xymena Smith, Carrie Sturgis, and Lois Waller. The new members are: Misses Isabel Tappan, Margaret McKenzie, and Mary McKinnon; and Messrs. N. G. Raynor, J. T. Biggers and J. F. Lowrance, Principal.

High school pupils will please arrange for enrollment as follows:

8th and 9th grades, Friday morning, August 29th, from 9 to 12 noon.

10 and 11th grades, Saturday morning, August 30, from 9 to 12 o'clock.

There will be a faculty meeting, Saturday afternoon, August 30, at 3 o'clock.

THE McPAUL REUNION

On Thursday, August 7th, the annual reunion of the McPhaul Clan was held at Riverton, and notwithstanding the unusually hot weather there was a large crowd present. The oppressive heat only made the water of "Lumbec" more alluring and refreshing and there were not many of the crowd who did not enjoy a dip during the day.

Swimming was the chief amusement in the morning and afternoon, as well, but when the dinner hour came, the river was left unmolested to wind its way for an hour or more.

The dinner was served picnic style and was "a feast fit for the kings" within itself, but when the barbecue was served, which had been so deliciously prepared by chef F. F. McPhaul, then not only was the feast fit for kings—but for queens as well.

This part of the menu is always prepared by Mr. McPhaul and each year it is better than the preceding year. However, we believe he has reached his zenith this time as this was declared by all to be the best barbecue they had ever eaten.

After everyone had feasted on every good thing taste could call for, a meeting was called to order by Dr. C. E. Hodgins, who presided in President F. F. McPhaul's place, by request.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and adopted after which all of the officers were re-elected. These being: President, Mr. F. F. McPhaul; Vice-President, Sheriff David Hodgins; Secretary and Treasurer, Miss Dorothy McPhaul; Committee of Arrangements, Mrs. N. B. Sinclair, Miss Flora Belle Currie and Mr. Douglas McLeod.

Several short talks were made by Mr. Hanna, Sheriff Hodgins, Mr. F. F. McPhaul and Dr. Hodgins. All these were enjoyed very much.

Of special interest was the history of the first McPhauls who came to America from Ayrshire, Scotland as told by Mrs. Margaret McPhaul who is seventy-eight years of age.

After these talks the meeting came to a close with a very touching prayer offered by Dr. Hodgins in memory of those who have passed away since the Reunion of 1929. These are three: being Mrs. Ida Currie of Red Springs, Miss Geraldine Moore, of Madison, and Mrs. A. D. McPhaul of Red Springs.

The remainder of the day was most pleasantly spent in the water, several coming in from a long distance to enjoy the afternoon in the famous "Lumbec."

The following is a list of all those who registered during the day: Mr. and Mrs. J. H. McPhaul and children, Francis and Henry Jr., of Red Springs, Mrs. Ernest McPhaul and children, Mac, Claude, Jean, Jack and Tommie, Shannon, N. C.; Mr. Wade Currie Charlotte, N. C.; Mr. and Mrs. Wade Leggette, Red Springs; Mrs. Kate Lowe, Mrs. Mary Lowe Skipper and Mrs. Gene Skipper of Chapel Hill, N. C.; Mr. and Mrs. J. D. McLeod, Raeford; N. C.; Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Hodgins, Mr. W. C. Hodgins, Misses Martilla, Katherine, Sarah, Harriet and Jean Hodgins, Red Springs; Mrs. Margaret McPhaul, Red Springs; Dr. and Mrs. Charles E. Hodgins and sons,

PELLAGRA CLINIC TO BE HELD WEDNESDAY AT RAEFORD CITY HALL

The County Health Department and the committees from the Women's Clubs and the Kiwanis club, have decided to hold another Pellagra clinic next Wednesday, August 27th in the City Hall in Raeford. They desire that all who did not attend the first clinic come to this one, but that all who did not come to the first clinic come, as the work will be the same. They are anxious to get a survey of the situation in the county and wish to urge all who did not attend the first clinic to come to this one.

There were fifty-four patients at the first clinic.

Tobacco Market Improving Rapidly

Only about one-eighth of the 1930 tobacco crop has sold the first two weeks in the South Carolina or Border belt, in the opinion of experienced tobacco warehousemen here. Most of the offerings have consisted of primings, but several baskets of good tobacco began to find their way to the warehouse floors the latter part of the week.

Warehousemen state that the better grades of tobacco are now bringing a normal price, and they advise selling these before the season advances further. Be sure to get out strings if you urge, for buyers have been instructed to buy no piles of tobacco with strings in them, regardless of the quality.

Prices Advance Somewhat

Tobacco advanced on the Lumberton warehousemen are of the opinion that market latter part of the week, and warehousemen are of the opinion that it will sell at a still better price this week. On 2 days the past week, the market here went well above the average.

Sales For The Week

Sales for the week were 731,919 pounds for \$71,062.84. During the season the Lumberton market has sold 1,535,473 pounds for \$141,327.65. The average the past week was \$9.71 per hundred or 96 cents above that of the opening week. Thursday's sales were 223,508 pounds for an average of \$9.41 and Friday's 111,220 pounds for an average of \$10.27.

Several "circuit rider" for the large tobacco concerns visited the Lumberton market the past week and were very favorably impressed with the added facilities here, particularly in the matter of more warehouse floor space and a redrying plant. They referred to the market here as one having bright prospects for great growth.

Mondays sale of 258,855 pounds sold for an average of \$13.12 per hundred.

PURCHASES BUILDING ON ELWOOD AVENUE

Capt. W. L. Poole has recently bought the building on Elwood Avenue, formerly owned by Mr. Bruce Morris and used as a sales stables, and is fixing it up for what he says will be the best armory in North Carolina. This property joins the building of Mr. Poole which is now used as an armory and makes his holdings on this street quite considerable. He expects to put a new roof suspended so that basket ball and other sports can be played in the building which is fifty by eighty-five feet in dimensions.

Nelson and James, of Greensboro, N. C.; Mrs. H. S. Kirkpatrick, Red Springs; and James Kirkpatrick, Red Springs; Mrs. D. H. McNeill, Jack, David, John Charles, Katherine Alice, and Virgil McNeill, Red Springs; Miss Mary Baker, Maxton; Miss Lena Trawick, Mr. and Mrs. John Trawick, Maxton, N. C.; Mr. Will McPhaul, Misses Mamie and Maggie McPhaul, Red Springs; Messrs. John A. McPhaul, Sr., John A. Jr., Misses Katherine, Mary, Lillian, Christine McPhaul, Shannon; Mrs. S. E. McCornick, McDonald, N. C.; Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Currie, Douglas, Annie Neil, Angus, David, Sarah and Baby Cur-

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ASHEMONT SCHOOL TO OPEN SEPTEMBER 1ST

The Ashemont school will open on the 1st of September for the 1930-1931 term. The same crops of teachers will be back again this year and the patrons are looking forward to another good school year. Mr. W. P. Rodgers comes back as principal of the school. He needs no praise as his good work for the three years he has been in the county speaks for itself. Miss Treva Auman will have the sixth and seventh grades, Miss Mary Dunlap, the fourth and fifth grades, Miss Margaret Hodgins, the third grade, Miss Myrtice Barrington, the second grade, and Miss Thelma Auman, the first grade.

The opening date for the Raeford school appears elsewhere with a list of the teachers. The opening dates for the other schools have not been definitely set and the openings for these schools will be announced later.

GRAND JURY'S REPORT

TO HIS HONOR, R. A. NUNN: We, the Grand Jury of Hoke County, respectfully submit the following report:

We passed on eight True Bills of Indictment, and two Not True Bills and one Presentment.

Reports from Magistrates were examined and found to be correct.

We examined the Court House and Jail and found them to be in fine shape.

We also examined the Stockade and the prisoners of the County, and find same to be in excellent shape in every respect.

We, the Grand Jury of Hoke County ask the County Commissioners to see that the Raeford-Lobelia road be kept open during court week. Some of the Grand Jury were turned back by U. S. soldiers and forced to travel back via Vass, Southern Pines and Aberdeen, a distance of sixty miles.

Respectfully submitted,
W. J. McLaughlin,
Foreman.

A. W. Wood.

MACHINERY ADDED TO UPCHURCH COMPANY

Upchurch Milling and Storage Company, one of Hoke County's most substantial business concerns, have ordered all machinery necessary for a feed grinding and mixing plant which they expect to arrive about September the first. This machinery will consist of hammer mills which can grind as fine as any mill and of mixing machinery, so that if an ear of corn in the shuck were run through this mill, not a trace of the shuck could be found in the mixed feed. They expect to make all kinds of feeds, such as chicken feeds, dairy feeds and other varieties. They are getting the best formulas obtainable from the Department of Agriculture in Raleigh and expect to be in position to give the people of his section the opportunity of getting their prepared feeds at a minimum of cost.

This firm has, for a number of years maintained a grist mill, a flour mill, a wood-working plant with a lumber yard and an ice plant. Their flour mill has been a drawing card for Raeford ever since it was installed and while, some years, it has not paid, the owners have continued to operate it, even at a loss. If people practice the live-at-home idea, as the outlook now is that they will, these mills will be of great benefit to the people of this section and should draw business to Raeford.

CAUGHT AGAIN AT THE SAME OLD TRADE

Lexie Melton, white, who has been in court several times for violating the prohibition laws, was caught by federal officers in Drowning Creek swamp on the Scotland County side one night recently at a whisky still and is now lodged in the Cumberland jail awaiting trial in Federal court. Melton was recently hired out from the Hoke County roads after serving six months of an eighteen months sentence. He promised faithfully at that time to forever quit making whisky but he evidently forgot the promise.

MANY CASES DISPOSED AT AUGUST TERM OF SUPERIOR COURT

The August term of Hoke Superior Court convened in the court house in Raeford on Monday morning with His Honor, Judge P. A. Nunn, of Newbern, presiding and Solicitor T. A. McNeill, of Lumberton, representing the state. Judge Nunn made no charge to the Grand Jury, they having been empaneled at a former term of court. The trial of criminal cases were taken up immediately.

Torrence Allbrooks, colored, who was bound over from Recorder's Court under a charge of stealing a pistol and a small sum of money from Mr. D. J. McNeill, was found guilty and was sentenced to serve six months on the county roads.

Clarence McDougald, colored, who appealed from a six months' road sentence in Recorder's Court for the possession of a whisky still, was found guilty and sentenced to serve six months on the county roads. Evidence was not brought out in Recorder's court tended to show that he was an old offender and that his prior liquor troubles were thought to have been the cause of Hector Graham killing Mr. Paul Johnson several years ago.

Luke Jones, and Hezekiah Watson, colored, received four months each for larceny. The evidence showed that they entered the barn of Tapp Bros. last season and stole a quantity of leaf tobacco.

L. B. Seals, white, who was bound over from Recorder's Court recently on a charge of larceny, was found guilty of the charge and sentenced to six months on the county roads.

The evidence tended to show that while Mr. Winecoff was away from his home in Quehville Township, the defendant, who was familiar with the premises, entered his house and took a fountain pen, some cigars and other small articles and that after getting a search warrant and searching the home of Seals the articles were found by the officers.

Alexander Ray, colored, who was bound over from Recorder's Court under a charge of an assault with a deadly weapon, was found guilty and sentenced to serve four months on the county roads. The evidence tended to show that Jim McPhaul, Jr., was loading a car of watermelons at Dundarrach recently and had asked several by-standers to get in the car while it was being switched and that later McPhaul asked the men to get out of the car, but that the defendant and another man had to be told several times to get out before going so.

That after Ray got out of the car he walked away several steps but opened his knife and returned to the car door, whereupon McPhaul jumped out of the car and struck him a severe blow with his fist and backed to pick up a stick when Ray cut him with his knife, making a long gash from his left ear to the middle of his chest, though the wound was not deep, otherwise it could easily have proved fatal.

Weldon Wright, who was convicted sometime ago of careless and reckless driving and ordered to pay for the costs and twenty-five dollars as compensation to the prosecuting witness and who appealed to Superior Court, was found guilty and sentenced to serve thirty days on the county roads, Wright offered to comply with the judgment of the lower court, but Judge Nunn told him that he thought a month on the roads would do him good.

Bill Shephard, who was convicted of careless and reckless driving in Recorder's Court recently and took an appeal to Superior Court, gained a verdict of not guilty.

GRAND JURY DINES AT PRISONERS TABLE

On Monday of this week the Grand Jury took dinner at the Stockade, eating pretty much the same fare as is given prisoners. This is something entirely new for this is the first Grand Jury to take dinner at the Road Camp. They expressed themselves as being well pleased with the feed, and it is rumored that some of the men applied for admission to the roads, but that Chief Cook, Charles Lie Pride advised against admitting them on the ground that they would be worth their board.