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Mr. Schuyler Writes From Williamsport

The News-Journal received an interesting letter yesterday from Mr. Elmer L. Schuyler, of the Williamsport (Pa.) Gazette-Bulletin and the Evening Sun. Mr. Schuyler accompanied the Williamsport Grays of the Eastern Class A Baseball league on their first spring training trip here in 1938 and made many friends here. He plans to return with the Grays to cover their spring training for his papers this year.

In his letter Mr. Schuyler mensomed that Mr. J. Roy Clunk, busness manager of the club, had equested that he keep the News-Ac, unto they arrive in His first information fol-

LY ELMER L. SCUYLER

Williamsport, P., Feb. 5.—Raeford, here we contel Saturday, March 23, the Williamsport Grays of the Eastern Baseball League, will turn their faces southward for a month's training in the friendly, hospitable atmosphere of North Carolina in general and Raeford in particular.

If all goes well, they will roll into Raeford Sunday afternoon, February 24, sign the Raeford hotel's register and settle down for the conditioning they will need for the league's 1940 season which will be inaugurated April 24th.

mately be picked to constitute the on the roads, to be suspended on pay-Williamsport "regulars." Raeford ment of the court costs. folk will recognize only a few faces. come and go in baseball, you

And of Marty McManus in the of playing manager there will pama, now resident in New York, driving without a license. Sentence clunk, secretary and business man- the roads. ager, and Elmer L. Schuyler, representing the Sun-Gazette company's two daily newspapers, the Williamsport Gazette and Bulletin (morning) and Williamsport Sun (afternoon).

Mr. Clunk is busy making up the exhibition schedule, and it is certain that the people of Raeford will see a number of good games. The Grays will have plenty of company in that roads, the sentence to be suspended area. Connie Mack's Athletics' new farm team, Wilmington (Del.) will train at Sanford, N. C., and Scranton (Eastern League champions) will happened to Charlie Bradley, colestablish their training camp at Bennettsville, S. C. The schedule will include 16 or 18 games, as in former seasons. Louis Kress will be in charge of the big bus and look after the business of the club when Mr. Clunk cannot accompany the team.

Democrats To Delay Meeting at Raleigh

Ruleigh, Feb. 6.—The state Democonvention probably will be May 17, instead of May 16, as planned by the party executive committee last Friday. Governor Hoez revealed tonight

thet Raleigh memorial auditorium was engaged for May 16, and that ducts to the needy will be inaug- Jim Poole is substituting for her. R. Gregg Cherry, chairman, would urated experimentally in five to 10 write committee members tomorrow suggesting the change.

The chief executive explained that long before the committee set the the plan might be extended to a naconvention date, the North Carolina Funeral Directors association had engaged the auditorium for its annual meeting May 14-16 and the dates could not be changed.

had delayed conferring with him in be chosen from the 44 in which the hope that the runeral directors could change their meeting time.

Hoey said he did not believe committee members would object to holding the convention a day later.

Mrs. Mary Currie Dies In Raleigh

Mrs. Mary Currie, 51, died in a leigh hospital Monday after a prt illnes. Before her marriage For each dollar's worth of stamps bought, they will receive a dollar's worth free Relief agencies and the C. She was a daughter of the late Charles and Charlotte Herndon.

her C. Currie and two sons, E Currie and C. A. Currie, all of G. Y. Newton Calls; Sanford; by one daughter, Mrs. J. Is On Warpath L. Parker of Shannon; by two brothers, W. B. Usher of Rex and A. L. Usher of Asheboro; and by one sister, Mrs. J. W. Tucker of Dundar-

Funeral services for Mrs. Currie previous night at Rockfish. were held Wednesday morning at 11 o'clock at Lumber Bridge Baptist to house canvass of the district meeting people in every precinct and expects to speak in all the counties in the district between now and the cometant.

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Sentenced Tuesday McNeill's Yesterday Information Given

In Tuesday morning's session of liquor or stealing.

Austin McFadyen, colored man of Quewhiffle township, was found guilty of the theft of \$5.00 in cash. Sentence was sixty days on the roads.

Jess Dunlap, local colored man, was found not guilty on the state's charge of careless and reckless driv- driven by H. C. Cribb of Florida. ing, improper brakes, and damage to personal property in connection trolman J. E. Merrill, Mortimer pullwith a wreck on Main Street a week or two ago.

Raymond Collins, local colored man and operator of the colored cafe here known as the "Puddin' J'int," was found guilty of violating the prohobition laws in two cases. Sentence in each case was thirty days on the roads to be suspended on payment of the court costs. Collins went to the roads.

Osie Harvey, local colored man, entered a plea of guilty of stealing a bicycle. Sentence was thirty days, suspended on payment of the court costs and on condition that the bicycle be returned in good condition.

man of Raeford, was charged with skidded. There were no arrests. being drunk and disorderly and with violating the road law in connection with a wreck on the Raeford-Rockfish road last Saturday night. The road law violation charged was that of allowing an intoxicated person to operate his automobile. Lilly entered a plea of guilty of being drunk There will be 24 or 25 men in the and disorderly only and the state Gray's squad, of whom 17 will ulti- accepted. Sentence was thirty days

Clarence Pittman, white man of Stonewall township and driver of the Lilly car at the time of the accident Saturday, entered a plea of guilty of driving a car while under Fresco Thompson, a native of Ala- the influence of liquor and also of who managed the Hartford (Conn.) was sixty days on the roads to be team last season. Accompanying the suspended on payment of a fine of will be, of course, J. Roy \$50 and the court costs. He went to

James Purdie, colored man of Stonewall township, entered a plea of guilty of larceny on the state's charge of breaking and entering and larceny. The state had charged that Purdie broke into a smoke house and stole some meat but the plea of the defendant was accepted and he was sentenced to serve sixty days on the on payment of a fine of \$10 and the court costs, and on condition that he pay for the meat. The same thing

ored man who accompanied Purdie. Wesley Coggins, local colored man, entered a plea of guilty of violating the prohibition law and careless and reckless driving. Sentence was thirty days on the roads to be suspended on payment of the court costs.

Coggins received the same sentence for violating the road laws by failing to stop at the sound of the patrolman's siren.

Government To Try Cotton Stamp Plan

Washington, Feb. 6.-The agriculture department's long - heralded stamp plan of distributing cotton pro-

cities within six weeks. Secretary Wallace outlined details today and expressed the opinion that tionwide basis later, particularly exports of cotton and cause surpluses

to increase again. Cities in which the program will be tried were not announced. Wal-He said Mayor Graham Andrews lace said, however, that they would stamp plan for distributing surplus food is in operation.

Like the food stamp system, the cotton program will utilize regular trade channels. Eligible families will receive purchasing power, in the form of stamps, good for the purchase of cotton products at regular stores.

They will be given an opportunity to buy cotton stamps in an amount approximately equal to their presagriculture department will redeem the stamps from stores.

Giles Yeomans Newton, first to file his candidacy for Congress in the Eighth district, was a Raeford visitor yesterday, having spent the

The candidate is making a house

Several Offenders Two Wrecks At-

There were two more wrecks at the months the bridge has been under repair to about twenty-four.

Yesterday morning a Ford pickup being driven in the direction of Fayetteville by Z. M. Mortimer of Stingo, Pa., collided with a truck and trailer heading south on 15-A and

According to State Highway Paed his pickup in front of Cribb's the cost of production. He pointed truck as the latter was entering the bridge. There were no injuries and the damages were settled on the scene. No arrests were made.

Yesterday afternoon a truck owned and driven by E. H. Richardson of Columbia, S. C., and traveling Garris presented a number of picfrom Florida to Baltimore skidded through the side of the temporary fill below the bridge. Richardson paradichlorobenzine is the only conwas not seriously injured but his truck was badly smashed and his cargo of cabbage was scattered down the creek bank.

Patrolman Merrill said Richardson In the next case C. A. Lilly, white told him that he used his brakes and

By K. A. MacDONALD

RAINY DAY SCHEDULE All white schools will operate a rainy day schedule on Saturday of this week. This is to make up one of the days lost on account of bad

BOARD VISITS SCHOOLS

The Board of Education held its regular monthly meeting Monday, February 5th, with a full attendance. The afternoon session was spent in visiting the different schools where the W. P. A. school repair project is and has been operative. The board members expressed themselves as being very much pleased with the results obtained from this project.

PRINCIPALS MEET

A principals meeting was held yesterday afternoon in the office of the county superintendent. Safe transportation and routine matters were discussed. Good attendance considering the weather and sickness was reported.

BUSINESS MEETING OF P.-T. A.

The Raeford P.-T. A. held a business meeting Tuesday afternoon at the school building. Ten dollars was donated to the county council of P.-T. A. for the piano at the gymnasium. Five dollars was alotted for first aid supplies at grammar school. Twenty dollars was allocated to beautification of the school grounds. Ten dollars was voted to purchase victrola records for primary grades. Mrs.

Joe Gulledge presided in the absence Special Fertilizer of the president, Mrs. A. D. Gore.

MISS FLETCHER ILL

Miss Fletcher, second grade teachout, threatened with apendicitis. Mrs.

RADIO STARS PERFORM

There was a program at the Milby Wade Maynard and Johnie Love. of W. P. T. F. There was a good crowd in attendance. The program the various crops grown in this area. was well received.

COLD DAMAGES PLUMBING

The cold weather seriously hur the plumbing in the Rockfish and Ashemont schools. Ashemont did not resented at the meeting. get water in the building until yes

DISTRICT MECHANIC HERE

Mr. Benson, district mechanic with the state school commission, has been with us for the last several days helping us get our transportation in shape. We hope that after all his recommendations are carried out that the buses will give much better service. The principals are giving more time to transportation also. We hope that every parent will read carefully the mimeographed excerpts from the state school commission transportation regulations sent them by the NYA Getting Ball principals. A knowledge of what is expected, required and prohibited will help to give efficient service.

LITTLE MISS SMOAK ILL

Mary Ann Smoak, the small daughter of Principal R. A. Smoak of the Ashemont school, has been very ill at her home at Ashley Heights. She is slowly improving.

"CAROLINA ODDITIES"

Wally Smith of "Carolina Oddities" ame is lecturing at the lesh school this morning at 9:30. The proceeds for the school.

Weed Production

Mr. L. T. Weeks, extension to-Hoke county recorder's court several McNeill bridge five miles out on the bacco specialist, and Mr. Howard R. defendants were sentenced by Judge Fayetteville road yesterday, bringing Garris, extension plant pathologist of McQueen, most of the cases involving the total number there for the three the State College extension service were in Hoke county Monday. While here they assisted A. S. Knowles, county agent, in conducting a meeting where they discussed the production of tobacco from both the standpoint of cultivation methods and the control of diseases.

Mr. Weeks told how farmers should strive to make a quality tobacco and at the same time lower out that over a period of years it would pay to carry out at least a three year crop rotation on each tobacco farm, as it would tend to hold up quality in tobacco and reduce damage caused by diseases. Mr. tures on the effect of blue mold on tobacco plant beds and their conbridge and turned over down the trol. Farmers are reminded that trol method recommended to protect young plants from the destruction of blue mold.

New Payments On Loan Cotton

Washington, Feb. 6.-In a letter to Representative John L. McMillan, of the Sixth South Carolina district, Secretary of Agriculture Wallace today announced that an additional payment will be made to some of the Carolina producers who obtained loans on their 1937 cotton.

"Under the program of the Commodity Credit corporation," the Secretary informed Representative Mc-Millan, "any producer who placed cotton grown in 1937 under Federal loan and who had an equity in that cotton on September 1, 1939-the date on which the Commodity Credit corporation took title to the 1937 cotton remaining under loan-will be years. The number of these conpaid the difference between the loan testants makes very certain a secprice plus carrying charges and the ond primary, and the prospect of two highway and bridge baricade were September 1, 1939, market value of primaries and one general election paritally shrouded in a light mist. the cotton."

At the same time, however, the Secretary announced that loans on cotton now owned by Commodity Credit corporation will not be reinstated.

Mr. McMillan conferred with the Secretary on these two questions recently, and it was in response to questions raised by the South Carolinian that the Secretary wrote him today, as follows:

The loans on 1937 crop cotton were for middling or better cotton, while in grade, having a staple of 7-8 inch cotton manufactured on July, 1938. but were extended by the Congress to July 31, 1939. The Department of Agriculture announced on August 17, 1939, that title to any 1937 crop cotton not withdrawn from the loan (Continued on page eight)

Meeting Next Friday

A special fertilizer meeting will er in the Raeford graded school is be held at the courthouse in Fayetteville Friday, January 16th, for all agricultural workers and iertilizer representatives in this section, announces A. S. Knowles, county agent. The purpose of this meeting is douson school Tuesday night given to acquaint and give all workers uniform information upon which to base fertilizer recommendations for

Professor C. B. Williams, head of the agronomy department at State College has arranged a number of qualified speakers to discuss the fertilizer needs of the counties rep-

Hoke Medical Society Holds Meeting

The Hoke County Medical Society held its regular meeting at the Sanatorium Tuesday evening, February 6th and enjoyed a good meal and an evening of mutual helpful discussion. Officers for another year were elected as follows: Dr. H. F. Easom, president; Dr. B. Harper, vice-president; and Dr. R. L. Murray re-elected secretary and treasurer.

Park In Shape

The National Youth Administration in Hoke county is at work on the grounds, grandstand, fences, etc., at the baseball park here getting it ready for the second coming of the Williamsport Grays of March 24.

The National Youth Administration in Hoke and Scotland counties is under the direct supervision of Mrs. Rena Woodhouse.

to be used for purchasing song books

HIGHWAY WORKER LOSES LIFE ON BRIDGE NEAR HERE TUESDAY

Smith Decides Against Race

Raleigh, Feb. 6.-Willis Smith, Raleigh attorney, announced tonight that he would not be a candidate for the Democratic gubernatorial nomination in the May primary.

He was the fifth to withdraw from the race after having been mentioned as a possible candidate.

In a formal statement he said he had "reached the conclusion that I should not at this time abandon my business and professional contacts and neglect my personal associations to enter this race."

Of all prominently regarded potential candidates, only William Fenner of Rocy Mount has not declared himself.

There are six candidates—J. M Broughton of Raleigh, Mayor Thomas E. Cooper of Wilmington, Paul D. Grady of Kenly, L. L. Gravely of Rocky Mount, Lieut. Gov. W. P. Horton of Pittsboro, and Revenue Commissioner A. J. Maxwell.

Four others previously had withdrawn from the race—State Treasurer Charles M. Johnson, who will seek renomination to his present office; Horace E. Stacy of Lumberton. who will run for the State Senate; Dr. Clarence Poe, Raleigh farm leader; and D. L. Ward, speaker of the 1939 State House of Representatives.

"Six North Carolinians have now announced their candidacy for nomination in the Democratic primary for the governorship of North Carolina," Smith's statement said.

"All of these are personal acquaintances of mine, with whom I have had most cordial relations for many means a severe strain both physically and financially. A contest for the governorship of North Carolina is one not to be entered upon lightly, and I have felt that keenly."

Burgin Appoints Local Boy to Annapolis

It was announced last week that Arthur Watson Gillis, of Raeford and on the construction job, rushed Reina student at the University of North made at the rate of 9 cents a pound Carolina, had been selected by Congressman W. O. Burgin as his principal candidate for entrance to the or longer, and at various lower rates United States Naval Academy this for cotton of shorter staples and low- year. Gillis will take the entrance er grades. The loans on 1937 crop examinations in March, probably at bruises in the scramble. Fort McPherson, Ga.

Young Gillis is the older son of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Gillis, of Hoke county, and is a graduate of Hoke county high school, finishing in 1937. Prior to his matriculation at the Un-Tuesday morning, shortly after the iversity last fall he attended Louisburg college, Louisburg, N. C., for two years.

Hoke High School Cagers Lose Series

In a series of two doubleheaders, our games, the local high school basketball teams lost four times to the Hamlet high school teams. In the first games, which were played here, the boys were defeated 36 to 18. The

girls lost 17 to 11. The second doubleheader was played at Hamlet and still again Hoke foreman and his crew were at work. high school was defeated. The boys lost by the wide margin of 54 to 10, and the girls' sextet went down in defeat on the small end of a 23 to 7 count. Gregson led the Hamlet boys in scoring with 18 points and Jeffries spiked the girls' attack with 10. The body of Mr. Reinhardt was pre-There were no luminaries among the pared for burial at McDiarmid's fun-Raeford basketeers.

The Ellerbe game was postponed S. C., for burial. because of bad weather.

Cape Fear To Go To Flood Stage

Raleigh, Feb. 7.-H. E. Kichline. United States weatherman here, warned today that the Cape Fear 'flood stage or slightly over it" late

The river was rising a foot an al guard armory here. hour at Fayetteville today. Flood The garage, if approved, will house stage is at a depth of 35 feet.

The Cape Fear river at Elizabethtown will be 22 feet deep, two feet higher than flood level, by tomorrow night, Kichline said.

At Smithfield the Neuse will likely reach the bank-full stage late tomorrow.

Mr. R. H. Gibson has just returned from a trip to Richmond and Petersburg, Va., where he visited his son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Gibson, and other relatives for

Caswell Reinhardt Killed by Truck Loaded With Hogs at Mc-Neill's Mill.

One man was instantly killed and several others narrowly escaped death or serious injury Tuesday morning when a truck and trailer loaded with 150 Georgia hogs crashed through a barricade protecting the bridge construction job on the Fayetteville road and plunged nose first into Beaver Creek at McNeill's mill 5 miles from here.

Killed was Caswell Reinhardt, of Florence, S. C., bridge workman employed by the Coastal construction company, who was working on a platform over the creek bed when the truck ran on top of him. Ten or more men who had been working along side of Reinhardt seconds before the tragedy occurred had just left the "hole" when machine dove

Jacob C. Williams of Greenville, driver and owner of the truck. was arrested by highway patrolmen on a charge of careless and reckless driving and manslaughter. He was released when bond in the amount of

\$1,000 was posted. Sergeant J. R. Pridgen of the highway patrol quoted Williams as saying brakes on the trulk and trailer failed to grab. He told officers he could not make the turn onto the temporary detour bridge that parallels the highway. According to Patrolman J. E. Merrill, of Raeford, the accident was caused by the care-

less and reckless driving of Williams. Coroner W. B. McLauchlin visited the scene and viewed the accident but deemed an inquest unnecessary.

Road conditions at the time of the accident were described as bad. The Williams sustained only minor cuts

and bruises in the plunge. The truck was badly damaged and over half the load of hogs were either killed outright or so seriously injured slaughter was necessary, the officers reported. His helper, C. W. Jordan, also escaped without serious injury.

Hastern Rose, Alvin Seaford and Garfield Kirby, who were working hardt in to Highsmith hospital but the injured man was dead on arrival. His skull was crushed.

E. F. Billingby, bridge workman, was the only other casualty. He sustained cuts on both hands and minor

Traffic over the route was not blocked by the mishap. The truck and trailer did not touch the detour bridge at all. The accident occurred about 8:00

construction crew had gone to work on the job. Reinhardt and other workmen were laying concrete forms for some pourings when the truck nose-dived into the creek bed. Williams, the truck driver, said he was headed north on highway 15-A

enroute to Greenville with his load

It appears that Williams disregarded all highway signs of warning. "men working," and "danger," and seemed to have lost control of the truck, and drove directly on the bridge under construction, where the Below the concrete bridge, a temporary wooden structure has been built to accomodate the traffic while

the bridge is being widened. The deceased leaves a wife, but other relatives are unknown here. eral parlor here and sent to Kersaw,

County Applies For Garage At Armory

County Accountant J. A. McGoogan stated yesterday that he had, at the direction of the Hoke County Commissioners, made application to the river at Fayetteville would reach Works Progress Administration for funds for the building of a concrete garage on the grounds of the Nation

the several vehicles consigned to Bat-tery "F" and First Battalion Combat Train and will as well have at to house the two 155mm game a to house the two 15 mally consigned to Easters T. According to Mr. McGeograph to sure will allow the guns to be housed a firing position in order to allow to door drill by door drill by the