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**TOWNSHIP NEWS.**

This week the News-Journal calls attention to the county news items. Almost every township in Hoke county has a contribution. These contributions came from boys and girls of the High School Journalistic Club, sponsored by Misses Freeman and Cress of the high school faculty.

We are proud to print these items. They are so well written that our copy seems a little mediocre. That good work is being done by the English classes, and in journalism has been evident in the high class of the material and the makeup of "Hoke Highlights," the school paper. The interest in the News-Journal will double if these contributions continue.

Norman McL. McNeill, of Fort Moultrie, spent the weekend with his mother, Mrs. John A. McNeill.

Billy Whitted, of Goldsboro, was a visitor in Raeford over the weekend.

Ben Currie is spending a few days at home before leaving for Florida to resume his new duties.

**HIGHWAY ROBBERY.**

Proposition to abolish alternate numbering of highway routes is one of the unfair pieces of legislation which has yet been introduced in the General Assembly. Reference is specifically to the bill fathered by Senator E. C. Brooks, Jr., of Durham. It is a measure aimed directly at diverting tourist traffic from the highway which passes through Raleigh and Fayetteville and giving that traffic to the highway which passes through Durham.

There were many who believed that the road through Raleigh and Fayetteville should have had the original and sole designation as No. 15—a route which runs by the same number from Walterboro, S. C., to Rochester, N. Y. However, by compromise years ago the road through Durham was given the designation 15, while the road through Fayetteville and Raleigh—although shorter—accepted the designation 15-A. This is what the Durham crew is trying to take away from Fayetteville and Raleigh today.

We hope that the General Assembly will not overlook the fact that there is a specific property value in a thing, as intangible as a highway number. Tourist traffic follows the number. Rooming houses, hotels, cafes, filling stations, and numerous other businesses have been created as a result of those two numbers and one letter. If they are taken away there will be a loss to those who have invested. It is not the purpose of the North Carolina General Assembly to loot one section of North Carolina for the benefit of another.—The Fayetteville Observer.

**LEADING DEALERS**

Your attention is called to a whole page advertisement, and several smaller ones, in this issue of the News-Journal by Baucom's, the leading department store of Raeford, who are large distributors of Frigidaire refrigerators, ranges and water heaters; Easy washing machines, Zenith and Sentinel radios. Their motto is: "Buy today—use it as you pay!"

Mrs. Earl Tolar and Clara Gibson spent Monday in Winston-Salem and Greensboro visiting Mr. and Mrs. T. D. Crews.

**SCHOOL BRIEFS**

By K. A. McDONALD

Antioch school announces that the following pupils made perfect attendance for the fall term of school: Bettie Mae Odom, first grade; Mamie Hendrix, second grade; Marie Blake and Lois Autry, fifth grade; Hutaff Blake and Bobby McBryde, seventh grade.

On Monday, February 3rd, Antioch school had their regular monthly fire drill. The building was entirely cleared in one minute and 50 seconds. We hope that all school will hold the drills each month.

Antioch has turned in \$2.20 for the infantile paralysis campaign.

The student-aid supervisor for negro schools working out of Raleigh, reports that all negro schools having student-aid in Hoke county, have been checked and that the work is as satisfactory as in any county and better than most.

On Monday night the Educo club held its regular monthly meeting and had as its guest the district committeemen of the county. The home economics department of Hoke high where the meeting was held, served the dinner. It was especially well prepared and served, and was thoroughly enjoyed by all who attended.

At this meeting, the district committeemen voted to organize and join the state school board association. The Hoke Board of Education is already a member of this organization. F. L. Eubanks, of the Ashemont committee, was elected chairman of this group. N. A. McInnis, of the Milidouson committee, vice-chairman, and M. L. Lester, of the Raeford committee, was elected secretary-treasurer. The group showed quite an interest in the matter.

Miss Mabel McPhaul, 4th grade teacher at Rockfish, was married to Gardner Bostic, of near Rockfish on last Friday evening, February 7th. The marriage took place in South Carolina. This is 75 per cent of the Rockfish faculty that has taken this step since school opened. We hope for them much happiness.

The Mildouson school P. T. A. invites all people who like barbecue to attend the barbecue supper at the school house next Wednesday evening, February 19, at six o'clock. The supper is sponsored by the P. T. A., and you may be assured that a fine, delicious plate awaits your coming. Don't miss it. Plan now to be present with all the family and enjoy the food, fellowship, and fun.

The Mildouson P. T. A. held its regular meeting in the school lunchroom Tuesday night, February 11, at 7:30 o'clock. A discussion on the educational program of the present legislature was led by Mrs. Nora F. McDavid. Plans were made for further improving the lunchroom and school grounds.

Messrs J. W. Spruill and Luther Powell appeared before the Board of Commissioners on Monday in regard to the roads over which the school busses of the county travel. It was agreed at this meeting that when the busses are routed next year that Mr. Powell or Mr. Spruill would go with the representative of the school commission and the superintendent and try to work out a plan by which all roads over which busses travel would be placed on the county road map and cared for in an adequate manner. We appreciate very much the interest that is being taken in the matter by the commissioners and those in charge of the roads and we feel like our busses will have better roads to travel over next year than they have had this year. The interest shown by the grand jury in the busses and the roads we feel is also a big help.

Dr. Ralph McDonald, of the extension faculty of the University of North Carolina, was in town Tuesday. Dr. McDonald is forum counselor for the university in addition to his other duties. He was here in the interest of establishing a forum in Hoke county.

Last Tuesday night the Ashemont P. T. A. held its regular monthly meeting and celebrated the tenth anniversary of its founding. A pageant, written and staged by Miss Myrtice Barrington of the school faculty depicted the work of the association during the 10 years.

The first scene of the pageant depicted the organization meeting. That was held, in the original building by Mrs. Jesse Gibson of Dundarrach. (Everyone regretted Mrs. Gibson's inability to attend this meeting). Mrs. Gibson called the meeting to order, stated its purpose, and introduced Mrs. Martin, of Greensboro, state organizer, who explained P. T. A. work. A vote was taken which was 100 per cent for organization. After this, officers were elected as follows: Mrs. P. P. McCain, president; Mrs. Sifford, vice-president; D. H. Johnson, treasurer (Mr. Johnson held this office until his death); Miss Treva Almond, secretary.

Other scenes showed how two complete sets of stage equipment was bought (you will remember the Ashemont building was burned in 1933), two sets of lunch room equipment,

**Learns to Tootle**



Edmond O'Brien, required to play a few notes on a saxophone for a scene in Harold Lloyd's new RKO Radio production, "A Girl, a Guy and a Gob," became interested and has now taken up practice on the instrument in earnest. Appearing with O'Brien in the comedy-romance are George Murphy and Lucille Ball.



a poor chance of making his grade.

The Rockfish P. T. A. met in regular monthly session on last night. Plans for a play for the benefit of the school, were discussed.

Mrs. N. A. McDonald, Jr., and Mrs. C. W. Seate spent last Thursday in Greensboro.

Blanche Musselwhite, of Raleigh, spent the weekend at home.

Mrs. J. F. McPhail is still very ill at her home near Raeford.

Lucy Sumner spent Sunday in Raleigh.

Mrs. H. L. Gatlin and Mr. and Mrs. Marion Gatlin went to Lamar, S. C., Sunday. Mrs. H. L. Gatlin's mother, Mrs. J. H. Privette returned with her for a visit.

"SCATTERGOOD": Guy Kibbee, bringing to the screen Clarence Budington Kelland's perennial and lovable character "Scattergood Baines," is the benign co-conspirator with Carol Hughes in the first motion picture of a series. Miss Hughes plays a school-teacher who has to make herself look temporarily unattractive (which she isn't) in order to get a job in provincial Cold River.

of Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Smoak of the Ashemont faculty.

The regular county-wide monthly bus drivers' meeting was held today at Hoke high school. Safety and careful and economical operation was stressed.

The junior class under the direction of Miss Marjorie Heater presented the play, Apple Blossom Time last Friday evening to a large and highly appreciative audience. The students and teacher are due lots of praise for the production.

The negro county-wide monthly teachers' meeting will be held at Upchurch school Friday afternoon at 5 o'clock.

Attendance in all schools is much improved. We wish to thank the patrons for their cooperation and request a continuation of it. If a child is sick please keep him at home for his own sake and for the sake of his classmates, but if he isn't sick please see that he is in school every day for his own sake and for the sake of his school. Teacher allotment (the number of teachers allowed for each school) is dependent on average daily attendance. Hence, poor attendance can cause a school to lose a teacher. A child who is irregular in attendance is handicapped in his work and stands

the preparing and serving of free lunches to all the children for the past 10 years, the buying of \$100.00 worth of library books a year for the past 8 years, how health and safety clinics have been held; while others showed how the money was raised by plays, box suppers, hog-calling, no husband-calling contests, etc. There were 15 charter members, eleven of these members were present for the pageant. Mrs. R. A. Jones, the present president, has a 100 per cent attendance record, not having missed a meeting during the 10 years. Mr. Jones is only one behind, having missed only one meeting. Miss Myrtice Barrington has missed only two (and drove from Raeford). Mrs. F. L. Eubanks has missed only 3 meetings during this time. We doubt whether this record can be equalled anywhere in the state.

John L. Hathcock, of the state department of education, was a visitor in town yesterday.

The honor roll of Meredith college as given in Sunday's News and Observer showed that of the 3 students in the college making all "A's" one was Miss Leete Smoak, a graduate of Hoke high and Ashemont elementary school. Miss Smoak is the daughter



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