

## Wiring Inspection Slips Necessary For Connection

REA Requires Inspection. Certificates Before Meters Can Be Installed.

Consumers whose houses have been wired for electric service from the Lumbee River Electric Membership Corp., must have county inspection certificates from the county inspectors before meters can be installed, it was stated here yesterday by D. J. Dalton, superintendent of the project.

Mr. Dalton stated that T. H. Jones, serviceman, was now on the job installing meters and was unable to install many of them when he first called because the houses had not been inspected.

Over 800 houses on the project have now been wired and most of them are ready for service except for the service entrance and the inspection.

Edward Smith is the inspector for Hoke county; M. R. Lynch, for Scotland and Leon Hamilton for Robeson.

**"B" Project**  
The application for a loan of approximately \$200,000 for the construction of 227 miles of lines to serve some 700 consumers on what is known as the "B" project of the cooperative was filed Monday with Washington headquarters.

The majority of this mileage is in the south end of Robeson county according to Mr. Dalton.

**Warns Wood-Cutters**  
Those cutting trees near power lines of the cooperative are warned of the danger of allowing trees to fall across the lines, in a letter being prepared by the project office.

Mr. Dalton states that while these lines have not been energized, there still is great danger from the possibility of static electricity which may have accumulated in the lines. This is equally as dangerous as the regular alternating current and woodcutters are warned to be sure the trees fall away from the lines when cutting near them.

## Extend Time For Listing Taxes To March 15th

J. A. McGoogan, tax supervisor for Hoke county announces that the time for listing property for taxes has been extended until March 15th.

The regular time for listing expired March 1st, but due to extensive illness throughout the county and the large number of citizens employed in defense work at Fort Bragg, the board of county commissioners granted the 15 day extension.

Mr. McGoogan states that this extension is granted because of the heavy penalties exacted for failure to list and calls attention to this fact. He urges all citizens to see the listmaker of their respective townships and give in their property listings before the 15th of this month and avoid the heavy fines resultant to failure to comply with the tax laws.

## Railroad Fireman Found Dead In Cab Of Engine

Hamlet, March 1.—Sam Harrell, 43, fireman of the "Silver Meteor," Seaboard train, was discovered in a slumped position just before the train arrived in Columbia, S. C., by a member of the train crew. Medical aid was summoned after arriving at the Columbia station, but he was already dead. Death was attributed to a heart attack.

Mr. Harrell was born in Montrose, N. C., June 27, 1897, and entered the service of the Seaboard on March 2, 1923. He is survived by his mother, Mrs. Anna L. Harrell of Norfolk, Va.

## Murrill To Fort Davis For Duty

Patrolman J. E. Murrill was called to strike patrol duty at Fort Davis Tuesday afternoon. About 5,000 workers at the Holly Ridge anti-aircraft cantonment were called out on strike there Monday. Differences are expected to be settled this week.

## GROCERY DEPARTMENT REMODELED FIRST

Jim Poole, of the grocery department of McLauchlin company, says he can't understand why the hardware department was given a write up, when his department was remodeled and had fluorescent lights

## 'Tis "Erin go bragh" for Maureen



Every day would be Maureen O'Hara's day, if her countless fans had their way, but the Irish star herself will be after calling St. Patrick's as one of her favorites of the year. The beauty from the Emerald Isle, who makes pictures at RKO Radio, will next be seen as the South American colleen of Irish ancestry in "They Met in Argentina."

## Williamsport To Play Five Games In Raeford

By Elmer L. Schuyler  
Williamsport, Pa., March 6.—J. Roy Clunk, secretary-treasurer of the Williamsport Grays, today released the spring training schedule of exhibition games. The Grays will move into Raeford on March 23 and begin the conditioning process the following day under the expert guidance of Spencer A. Abbott, this year's manager. The schedule calls for sixteen games of which five will be played at Raeford.

The Grays will have nine days of conditioning before they meet Harrisburg on Raeford field Wednesday, April 2. Reading will be the next attraction there, on Monday, April 7. Wilkes-Barre will be there on the 9th, and Scranton will come on the 16th.

On Friday, the 18th, the Grays will play their last game at Raeford, meeting Greensboro, which has taken the place of Rocky Mount in the Piedmont League. Immediately after that game the Grays will pull out for Portsmouth, Va., playing there on the 19th and 20th and going from there to Richmond for an overnight stop and on to Williamsport on the 21st. They will open the Eastern League season at Bowman Field, Williamsport, with Elmira on Wednesday, April 23rd.

Harrisburg and Reading are members of the Inter-State League, and the manager of the latter club is none other than Fresno Thompson, who managed the Grays last year and made many friends in Raeford. Scranton, Hartford and Wilkes-Barre are Eastern League teams, training within easy driving distance of Raeford—Scranton at Bennettsville, S. C.; Hartford at Goldsboro, N. C., and Wilkes-Barre at Sumter, S. C.

The schedule in full follows:  
April 2—Harrisburg at Raeford.  
April 4—Harrisburg at Camden, S. C.  
April 6—Hartford at Goldsboro, N. C.  
April 7—Reading at Raeford.  
April 8—Reading at Wilson, N. C.  
April 9—Wilkes-Barre at Raeford.  
April 10—Greensboro at Darlington, S. C.  
April 11—Charleston at Charleston, S. C.  
April 12—Charleston at Charleston, S. C.  
April 13—Savannah at Savannah, Ga.  
April 14—Wilkes-Barre at Sumter, S. C.  
April 16—Scranton at Raeford.  
April 17—Scranton at Bennettsville, S. C.  
April 18—Greensboro at Raeford.  
April 19—Portsmouth at Portsmouth, Va.  
April 20—Portsmouth at Portsmouth.

There is also a game pending between Williamsport and Elmira, for April 15, to be played either at Fort Bragg or Rocky Mount.

Misses Lorna Langley, of Clinton, and Janet Cox, of Dunn, were visitors in town Sunday. Miss Langley was formerly a very popular home demonstration agent of Hoke county and Miss Cox a teacher in Raeford school.

## Minor Wreck And Wife-Beating Cases Feature Court

Clarke Goodman, colored of route 1 Shannon, paid costs for careless and reckless driving to the county court Tuesday when arraigned for driving head-on into the car of J. F. Pugh, superintendent of schools of Red Springs, Saturday night.

Raholman J. E. Morris was investigated the crash testified that the negro pulled out from behind another car and drove into the car of the Red Springs man. Damage to the car of Mr. Pugh amounted to about \$150.

Josh Purcell, colored man of Blue Springs, pleaded not guilty to an assault with deadly weapon charge and the court found his not guilty upon hearing the evidence.

William L. Knight, was found guilty of two charges, careless and reckless driving and driving car without operator's license. He was given 30 day sentences on each charge, suspended on payment of costs.

William T. Ussery pleaded guilty to operating truck without "for hire" license and was taxed with the court costs.

Reeby Bouyer was found guilty of operating a car under the influence of liquor and was fined \$50 and costs in lieu of a three months sentence on the roads.

Preston Fewes pleaded guilty to operating a car without plates and was taxed with the costs. Laurence Deese was convicted of drunken and disorderly conduct and paid the costs. Leary Watkins appealed to Superior court after being given a 4 months sentence for violation of the prohibition laws.

Jesse James McNeill was convicted of drunken and disorderly conduct and taxed with the court costs.

Jim Barber, local colored man, pleaded guilty to assault charges preferred by his wife who testified he had beat her. He was lectured by Judge W. B. McQueen and given 30 days on the roads, with the sentence suspended upon payment of the costs.

Lessie Belle Mainor, colored woman was taxed with the court costs for being drunk and disorderly.

## President of State Garden Clubs Will Speak Here

The Raeford garden groups will meet in Kiwanis hall Tuesday afternoon, March 11, at 3 P. M. At this time Mrs. J. Buren Sidbury, of Wilmington, president of the North Carolina Garden clubs, and Mrs. Allie Fechtig, azalea expert, also of Wilmington, will address the club. Mrs. Sidbury's subject will be "Highway Beautification," a timely subject as now more people are visiting and passing through the state than ever before. Miss Fechtig's talk on azaleas will be felt received as the azalea will become the state flower by an act of the 1941 legislature.

The hostesses on this occasion will be Mrs. J. R. Hampton, Mrs. A. C. Keith, Mrs. Paul Dezerne, Mrs. Israel Mann, Mrs. W. T. Covington, Mrs. William Lambert, Mrs. N. H. G.

## Jack Roper, 55, Dies At Home In Allendale

Prominent Hoke Farmer Buried At Center Church Yesterday Morning.

John Archibald Roper, 55, one of Allendale Township's most substantial farmers and public spirited citizens, died at his home there Monday evening about 8 o'clock, following a critical illness of three weeks. Mr. Roper was taken ill while in Bennettsville on business and was taken to a hospital there where he remained for two weeks.

Funeral services were held Wednesday morning at the Center Presbyterian church at Floral College with the pastor, Rev. G. F. Kirkpatrick in charge and burial was in the churchyard.

Deacons of the church were pallbearers. Mr. Roper was a member of the board of deacons of the church.

Mr. Roper was the son of the late Archie and Ella Bethea Roper, of Scotland county.

He is survived by his wife, formerly Miss Rebecca Russell, two sons, Thomas Russell and Jack Roper, Jr., and a daughter, Mrs. Kemp Glenn, of Norfolk, Va. Two sisters and a brother also survive. They are Walter Roper, Mrs. Dougald Stewart and Mrs. Willie Cooper, all of near Laurinburg.

Recently Mr. Roper was one of the promoters of the Lumbee Electric Membership Cooperation and upon the approval of the REA project by the Washington Authority, he was selected as a director of the corporation which is now completing the construction of approximately 500 miles of electric lines to serve the farmers of many sections of Hoke, Robeson, Scotland and Cumberland counties.

## Raeford Scouts Attend Rally

The Raeford Scouts will be entertained at the annual district rally of the Western District, Cape Fear Area Council in Red Springs Friday night. One hundred and sixteen scouts from the area were present with Laurel Hill leading in attendance. The Raeford troop won the greatest number of points in the contests. Points were made as follows:

- Inspection ..... 9
- Knot-tying ..... 5
- Fire by friction ..... 20
- Signaling ..... 10
- Rescue race ..... 7
- First Aid ..... 5
- Tug-o-War ..... 10

All Scouts appeared for inspection and the following Scouts in the various contests:

Knot-tying—Hal Clark, Jimmy Alexander.

Fire by friction—Hugh McLauchlin.

Signaling—Hugh McLauchlin, Hal Clark, Wm. Poole, Chas. Spivey.

Rescue race—Wm. Alexander, J. W. Dawson, Hal Clark, Wm. Poole, Alfred Cole.

First Aid—Hal Clark, Hugh McLauchlin, Wm. Poole, Chas. Spivey, Hamer Leach.

Tug-o-War—Wm. Alexander, J. W. Dawson, Hal Clark, Wm. Poole, Hugh McLauchlin, Jimmy Warner.

## Walter H. Culbreth Dies At White Oak

Walter H. Culbreth, 76 year-old farmer and highly respected citizen of the White Oak community of Bladen county, died suddenly Monday morning about 4 o'clock of a heart attack at his home.

Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon at 3:30 at the home in White Oak. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Della Cain Culbreth; four sisters, Mrs. W. J. Brambel of Atkinson; Mrs. R. L. Dew, Fayetteville; Mrs. C. T. McClure, White Oak, and Mrs. W. A. Sewell, Fayetteville; four brothers, T. F. Culbreth, Raeford, A. A. Culbreth, Juniper, Fla.; T. S. Culbreth, J. G. Culbreth, both of Culpport, Miss. Mr. Culbreth was a member of the Methodist church for many years and a member of the Masonic Lodge.

## A. & P. Food Stores Are Celebrating Hogewood Week

Over 2,000 employees of the A. and P. food stores are celebrating the "M. A. Hogewood Week" this week. This is a tribute to an official who has been with the company for 31 years, starting as a clerk in one of the stores, and by application and loyalty has risen to be manager of the Carolina division and vice president of the A. & P. organization.

## Two Former Pastors To Participate In Installation of Rev. Mr. Holland At Presbyterian Church Here Sunday

## County Defense On Defense Well Attended

The county meeting on agricultural defense which was held at the Hoke high school auditorium, Tuesday was well attended by the various county and governmental agencies. It was decided at the meeting to contact as many farm people as possible within the next few weeks to inform them of the agricultural situation and how they may prepare themselves for a better living by increasing food and feed crops on the farm, reports A. S. Knowles, county agent.

The discussion was led by W. H. White, a member of the State AAA committee. His subject was an explanation of the cotton stamp plan which cotton farmers of Hoke county should take advantage of, and the food and feed program. Twenty-five million dollars is available to cotton farmers in the form of cotton stamps for reducing their acreage of cotton below the 1941 allotment or the 1940 planted acreage whichever is smaller. In addition to the stamp plan three million dollars is available to those taking part in the stamp plan for increasing their food and feed on the farm.

Only farms that take part in the cotton stamp plan will be eligible to receive payments for carrying out food and feed crops as farmers on such farms can receive three dollars extra by increasing their food and feed above the previous year. In order to qualify for their payment under this practice at least 3 of the following crops must be grown in excess of last year's garden: (a) 0.2 acre of Irish potatoes, (b) 0.2 acre of sweet potatoes, (c) 0.1 acre of spot crops (other than sweet or Irish potatoes), (d) 0.2 acre of peas or beans, (e) 0.3 acre of peanuts, (f) 0.2 acre of peas or beans, (g) 0.3 acre of corn, or at least 0.1 acre of combination of three or more of the following fruits: (a) Strawberries, (b) raspberries, (c) dewberries, (d) figs, (e) bunch grapes, and (f) Muscadine grapes.

## Jeff Davis Carver Dies Saturday

Fayetteville, March 2.—Jeff Davis Carver, 80, died at his home in Rockfish township late Saturday night. He was a retired lumberman, having been inactive for ten years. He was a member of the Presbyterian church of Lumberton Bridge. Mr. Carver was the son of John M. and Elizabeth Black Carver. Surviving are his widow, Mrs. Sallie McNeil Carver, a son, John McNeill, a daughter, Miss Mary Frances Carver, and a brother, A. N. Carver. Funeral services were held from Jerigan's Funeral home at 11 o'clock Monday morning.

## H. L. Gatlin Attends Phico Dealers Celebration

H. L. Gatlin, Jr., of the Raeford Furniture company, local outlet for Phico products, was one of a number of dealers from Eastern Carolina and Virginia to attend the annual dealer's celebration last week. This year's award for securing a high volume of sales was a trip to the Mardi Gras and New Orleans, sponsored by Hunter Brothers, distributors of Fayetteville.

The group left Raleigh by special train on Friday and returned the following Thursday after spending four days in the festival city, seeing historic sights and the principal parades and attendant activities of the Mardi Gras.

## Polo at Pinehurst Next Sunday

Pinehurst, March 5.—Sunday next will again be polo playoff day on the No. 3 polo field. The Yellow Jackets will meet the Red Jackets in a regulation six-period match to decide the three-game jacket series of the Pinehurst polo club.

## OMISSION

In the ad listing those who contributed to the highway fund, two contributors were omitted by mistake. They are the A. and P. Tea company and the Cass-Sub Settlement Co., Aberdeen.

## Rev. L. A. McLaurin To Preach Sermon; Dr. P. P. McCain Will Charge Congregation.

Rev. Harry K. Holland, who came to the Raeford Presbyterian church early in February to succeed Rev. Watson M. Fairley, D. D., as pastor, will be formally installed in that position by a commission of Fayetteville Presbytery at the 11 o'clock service of the church on Sunday morning.

Rev. Mr. Holland was received into Fayetteville Presbytery from Mecklenburg Presbytery at a special meeting of the former body here on February 11th, and at that time Presbytery named the three former pastors of the Raeford church, Rev. L. A. McLaurin, of Hemp, N. C., Rev. W. C. Brown, of Raeford, and Rev. W. M. Fairley, D. D., of Montreat, to act with Rev. Louis C. LaMotte, D. D., of Maxton, Rev. H. R. Poole, of Antioch, Dr. P. F. McCain, of Fayetteville, and Edgar Hall, of Raeford, as the commission to install the new minister, and the date of March 9th at 11 o'clock was set for the occasion.

It was learned yesterday, however, that Dr. Fairley, the pastor whom Mr. Holland succeeded, would not be able because of sickness to be here for the service. Dr. Fairley has been quite ill with influenza, and is not able to be present to take part in the installation, along with the other ministers and laymen. The appointments have been made as follows:

Rev. Louis C. LaMotte, D. D., to preside and propound the questions.

Rev. W. C. Brown to make the prayer.

Rev. L. A. McLaurin to preach the sermon.

Rev. H. R. Poole to charge the pastor.

Dr. P. F. McCain to charge the congregation.

Edgar Hall is the alternate layman.

The local church, since its organization in 1899, has had only three regular pastors. Rev. Mr. McLaurin, who will preach Sunday, served here from 1901 to 1906; Rev. Mr. Brown, now retired and living in Raeford, served from 1907 to 1924; Rev. Dr. Fairley, also retired and now living in Montreat, served from 1925 to 1940.

Special music has been arranged for Sunday's service.

At the evening service at 7:30 o'clock the pastor, Rev. Mr. Holland, will preach.

## Safety Educational Campaign Held In County Schools

A special safety campaign is being conducted in the schools of Hoke county by Highway Patrolman J. E. Murrill and A. L. Leach of the National safety Council.

Tuesday programs were conducted in each of the colored and Indian schools and other programs were presented in the white schools of the county yesterday. These are expected to be completed today.

Both highway and general safety rules are being explained in the series of lectures and demonstrations.

## Meat Robbers Got Large Lot Hams And Lard

Thieves broke into the smokehouse of Leon Cameron, of Timberland, Saturday night and stole 6 hams, 6 shoulders and a stand of lard, officers of the sheriff's department reported yesterday.

While no arrests have been made several suspects have been questioned.

## Dewitt Tapp Out Again

Mr. Dewitt Tapp, who has been a patient at the Veterans hospital in Fayetteville, for the past three weeks, returned to his home Saturday. He went there for a treatment and complete rest and is feeling fine again. Mr. Tapp was very much impressed by the attention and care he received while in the new Veterans hospital in Fayetteville, and said he really enjoyed his stay there.

Mrs. A. R. Murrill is visiting her mother in Troy who is ill.