

Mr. Schuyler Writes From Williamsport

Williamsport, Pa., July 10.—No doubt the good people of Raeford are wondering how the Williamsport Grays are getting along in the Eastern League campaign, and it gives the News-Journal's representative a great deal of pleasure to report that they started the current week with a three-point lead over Wilkes-Barre, the runner up. At the moment the standing lines the teams up in the following:

Williamsport, Wilkes-Barre, Elmira, Scranton, Binghamton, Springfield, Hartford and Albany.

It has been a nip-and-tuck race from the start, and once or twice the Grays have been in the second division—but not for long. The standing now shows Williamsport and Wilkes-Barre as the chief contenders, the latter being four and a half games ahead of Elmira and nine games ahead of the fourth place Scranton Miners.

The Grays have made some changes since they left Raeford April 18. The outfield has undergone no change, being made up of Kenny Richardson, Dave Goodman and Ron Northey.

Don Richmond, Hal Quick and Irv Kolberg are still infield fixtures, with Irv Hall doing yeoman service at the Keystone sack. Hall, who came to the Grays on option from Syracuse, easily displaced the veteran Leo Ogorek, who joined the squad at Raeford.

Rotund Harry Chosen is still the first string catcher, with Dewey Williams, on option from Toronto, sharing the backstop duties.

Of the pitching staff, Pete Blumette, Leon Kyle, Charley George Herman Drefs and George Klivak have departed, Blumette going to Scranton, George to Hartford, Kyle to Florence, S. C., Drefs to his home in the south and Klivak to Wilmington, Del.

In their places Manager Abbott has established Art Jones, a South Carolina lawyer, Alex Mustakis, a veteran, who was an over-night visitor at Raeford, but went to Little Rock, obtained his release later and signed with the Grays; Art Doll, another veteran, bought outright from Hartford; Rankin Johnson, on option from the Athletics, and the old standbys, Roger Wolff, John Cordell and Nick Butcher.

Final Rites For Miss Rosanna Peterson

Miss Rosanna Peterson, the last member of her immediate family died at the home of her nephew, L. B. Smith, at Dundarrach, Wednesday night, July 2.

She was a daughter of the late Neill A. Peterson of North Robeson, now Hoke County, and the late Mrs. Mary McNeill Peterson of Scotland county.

One of the oldest residents of Hoke County, she was 94 years of age, a member of Bethel Church since she was 14 years of age, joining one year after the Civil war.

She is survived by several nephews and nieces, L. B. Smith, of Dundarrach, with whom she had lived for several years; Mrs. J. D. Robinson of Hemp; Mrs. Conway of Danville, Va.; Mrs. E. P. Yarborough of Laurel Hill, Mrs. Bell Tedder of Fairmont, Miss Belle Smith, and Mrs. M. J. Robinson of Dundarrach.

The funeral was conducted Thursday afternoon from Bethel church by Rev. H. R. Poole, of Antioch, and Rev. W. F. Trawick, of Raeford. Burial was in Bethel Church cemetery.

Bill Upchurch Leads League In Hitting

Kinston—Bill Upchurch, Kinston Eagles third baseman, held the highest batting average in the Coastal Plain league for the second straight week, according to the weekly release from Howe News Bureau, which gives Bill an average of .397 this past week.

The rookie from Raeford has been in 43 games and has hit safely for 33 consecutive games until stopped June 30 by Fred Yeske, Goldsboro righthander. For 174 times at bat, Upchurch has made 69 hits and 27 runs. He has hit 11 doubles, one triple, five home runs and has batted in 37 scores. Bill is one of the best batters ever to be in the Coastal Plain league and stands a good chance of breaking some league records before the season is over.

Hoke County Boy Wins 4-H Scholarship

One of the delegates from Hoke County to the 4-H Short course at State College this year will be Riley Jordan of Timberland. He was named the outstanding 4-H club boy in the county, and the honor carries with it a scholarship to the Short Course, awarded by the Chilean Nitrate Educational Bureau, of which A. G. Floyd of Raleigh is State director. The scholarship pays all expenses and is worth \$5.50.

The 1941 State 4-H Short Course at State College will open with registration on Monday, July 28, and will continue through a morning assembly period on Saturday, August 2. L. R. Harrill, State 4-H Club Leader, and Miss Frances MacGregor, assistant State club leader, have announced a complete program for the event.

Governor J. M. Broughton will speak on the Achievement Day program Friday morning, August 1, and Dr. Frank Porter Graham, president of the Greater University of North Carolina, will address the young people on Wednesday morning. A Citizenship Ceremonial will feature the Thursday morning session, during which J. O. Howard of the Bureau of Agricultural Economics, Washington, D. C., will lead a panel discussion of "The Responsibility of Rural Youth as Citizens."

Dean I. O. Schaub, director of the Extension Service, and Miss Ruth Current, State home agent, will talk on "The Responsibility of Rural Youth on the Farm and in the Home" at the Tuesday morning assembly.

The annual 4-H Health Festival will be held Thursday night, and new officers will be installed at a Candlelighting Service on Friday evening, both events being planned for Riddick Stadium. Dairy production, foods and cattle judging contest are scheduled during this week.

U. S. Naval Forces Ordered Into Iceland

Washington, July 7.—In a swift historic move, the United States landed naval forces in Iceland today, and President Roosevelt directed the Atlantic fleet to keep the vast stretch of ocean between the strategic island and the United States "free of all hostile activity or threat thereof."

In a special message to Congress, the President disclosed that the naval forces were taking over from the British the task of guarding the north Atlantic nation, which was a sister kingdom of Denmark until the Nazi seized the latter country.

The President told Congress that he had ordered the navy to take all necessary steps "to insure the safety of communications in the approaches between Iceland and the United States, as well as on the seas between the United States and all other strategic outposts," such as the American bases in Trinidad or British Guiana.

Fire On Subs?
Whether the presence of a German submarine, surface raider or warplane in the areas described would be considered a threat of hostile activity, and whether the United States navy would open fire on such craft at sight was not stated.

It was recalled that Secretary of the Navy Knox recently pictured the present as a golden opportunity to clear the sea of the Germans, but the full import of the orders Mr. Roosevelt issued today remained to be disclosed by future events.

The orders embrace a tremendous ocean area. Iceland is near the Arctic circle about 2,500 miles from New York, while Trinidad and British Guiana are in the north-east part of South America.

The occupation of Iceland provides the United States with an armed outpost within 700 miles of the British Isles and defies Germany's designation of the area as a war zone.

To Replace British
Mr. Roosevelt told Congress that "forces of the United States navy have today arrived in Iceland in order to supplement, and eventually to replace, the British forces" which moved in there in May, 1940, to prevent the Germans' gaining a foothold.



JOAN POURS
Joan Pours, co-starred with Cary Grant in RKO Radio's romantic mystery, "Before the Fact," finds that three o'clock snack—orange juice, toast and tea—just the thing to build reserve energy for the arduous task of acting.

President Declares U. S. Defense Action Will Not Be Limited

Washington, July 8.—President Roosevelt made it clear today that the uncertain line separating the eastern and western hemisphere would not be considered the eastern boundary of American defense activities.

In a press conference statement which followed the American occupation of Iceland, the President said there were points beyond that line which might become of terrible importance to this country. He had stopped, he said, trying to determine just where the line ran.

The chief executive met reporters toward the close of a day which had seen the White House, through his secretary, Stephen T. Early, approve Senator Wheeler, Democrat, Montana, for saying last week he had information that Iceland would be taken over by this country.

Revealed Military Secret.
Early took the position that Wheeler had disclosed military information and at his press conference, Mr. Roosevelt said he thought the case spoke for itself.

Senator Wheeler asserted today that the administration had arranged United States occupation of Iceland because it wanted "to get us into a shooting war" and realized that it had to have "a hell of a series of incidents to get this Congress to declare war."

He made these remarks at an informal press conference at which he also said he was informed that Iceland already had been occupied when he forecast the move last week. Wheeler said his prediction was based on letters he had received from parents saying that their sons would receive mail there.

He added that it was a "known fact that the President had previously intimated very definitely that he was considering taking over the Cape Verde and Canary islands."

No Definite Reply.
As for the reasons behind the Iceland move, the President said he could not reply categorically to a question whether he knew of any German intention to establish a base upon the island.

Light Docket In Recorder's Court

Only three defendants faced recorder W. B. McQueen Tuesday. First was Joe Watson, colored who pleaded guilty to driving a car without a license and operating a car with improper brakes. His sentence was thirty days, sentence to be suspended on payment of the costs. Johnnie McFayden, colored, pleaded guilty to being drunk and disorderly and was sentenced to sixty days on the roads or payment of the costs and a year of good behavior. William Brigman, colored, pleaded guilty to simple assault, and sentenced to thirty days or payment of the costs and twelve months of good behavior.

Big Time At Bechah

H. L. Gatlin, Jr., local General Electric dealer, spent the week end at Carolina Beach as the guest of that company. He reported on his return that it is a fine beach and a good place to have convention, etc.

Mr. and Mrs. Hallie Gatlin, and Mrs. B. R. Gatlin spent Sunday in Columbia, S. C. Mrs. Hallie Gatlin remained in South Carolina to visit her brother, W. H. Privette, who lives near Darlington.

Seven Men To Be Inducted Today

The following young men of Hoke County will report to local Selective Service Board Number 1 at 10:30 A. M. today and will be inducted into the United States Army at Fort Bragg at 12:15 P. M.

- 230—Armond Daniel Black
- 301—John Howard Clark
- 316—William Smith
- 413—William Elmore Davis
- 479—Lacy Lee Sloan
- 618—Eulas Edward Oldham
- 735—Charles Francis Marks

These men are the first men to be inducted into the army under the selective service system from Hoke County, owing to the large number of men in the National Guard and the large number of volunteers from this county.

F. D. R. Favors Extending National Guard Service

Washington, July 8.—President Roosevelt today approved continuing a portion at least of the selective service army and national guard in the active service beyond the one year for which they were originally called to duty.

To muster all out at the end of that time, he said at a press conference, would result in impairing the efficiency of the nation's armed outposts in both the Atlantic and Pacific. But whether men not involved in those outposts should be released after a year, he did not say.

To that extent he thus approved the proposal of Gen. George C. Marshall that the term of service be extended. A second Marshall proposal that legal restrictions limiting the service of the draftees and national guard to the western hemisphere and American possessions be removed, he thought of less importance. He had given up, he said, trying to determine where the hemisphere boundary line ran.

Asked whether he planned to send a message to Congress requesting legislation along the lines of Marshall's proposal, Mr. Roosevelt replied that he thought Congress understood the problems involved pretty well.

The selectees and guardsmen, Mr. Roosevelt explained, have been distributed among regular army units for training in line with the plan followed in the world war.

Among the units containing these men, he continued, is an anti-aircraft detachment in Hawaii, so that at the end of the one-year service a large portion of the unit might have to be brought home and replacements would have to come from raw material.

The same situation applies in Alaska, Panama, Bermuda, Trinidad or Newfoundland, he added.

A measure to defer men over 28 from selective service, already passed by the senate, is scheduled for house consideration tomorrow. The death of Representative Bolles, Republican, Wisconsin, prevented action today.

Geraldine Wright and Mary Grey Helton are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Bill Tapp in Battleboro, this week.

Visitors of Mr. and Mrs. T. T. Cottingham the past two weeks were Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Green and family of Spartanburg, S. C. and a grandson, Worth Cottingham, Jr., of Dillon, S. C. Della Cottingham spent the last week with the Greens at Carolina Beach.

Franklin Ray, Jr., Killed By Car

Franklin Ray, Jr., 13, was struck by a car driven by J. A. Chason of Lumber Bridge Tuesday afternoon and died soon after. The chief injury received by the boy was a broken neck. The accident occurred when the lad rode a bicycle from a side road onto the road which passes Sandy Grove Methodist Church in lower Hoke county. He had been swimming with other boys and was unable to stop his bicycle after he saw the car a few feet away. Mr. Chason stated that the boy was in front of the car before he could stop or turn. The car struck the bicycle and boy with the right front fender and passed over both the boy and the bicycle before coming to a stop. Witnesses stated that neither the boy nor Chason could see the other until they were unable to do anything about it.

At the coroner's inquest yesterday morning the jury returned a verdict stating that Franklin Ray met his death from an automobile driven by J. A. Chason and that the accident was unavoidable on the part of Chason, completely exonerating him.

The boy was the son of Franklin Ray, former county commissioner.

July 1st Draft Registration Totals 22,971

Raleigh, July 8.—A total of 22,971 North Carolinians registered in the second draft July 1, state selective service headquarters announced today.

All but 175 of the total were men who had become 21 years of age since last October 16, when the first registration was held. The 175 should have reported for the first registration, but neglected to do so.

Six hundred of the 22,971 registered in other states.

Among counties which had a large July 1 registration (including residents of the counties who registered elsewhere) were Guilford 1,026, Mecklenburg 910, Wake 801, Forsyth 700, Buncombe 584, Durham 534 and New Hanover 513. Hyde and Currituck, with 31 each, had the smallest.

Dam On Clyde's Pond Breaks

The dam on the pond owned by C. E. Upchurch on Peddler's branch in southeast Raeford broke last Sunday for the third time. The dam was washed out near the spillway. The cause of washout was attributed to muskrats, which bore holes through the dam that caused leaks when the water rises.

Mr. Tommy Upchurch, brother of the owner of the pond, has devised a method to prevent the muskrats from boring more holes. This method consists of imprisoning tomcats in the dam at regular intervals. The cats will eat the rats and stop the holes before they are completely through the dam, Mr. Upchurch believes.

Tommy Upchurch Returns From Fishing Trip

Tommy Upchurch reports on his return from Swansboro on a fishing trip that there are some well-fed fish in the Atlantic ocean at present. He stated that he was unable to catch any of these fish but that he did what he could to prevent the finny inhabitants of the briny deep from starving. He also stated that as far as fishing was concerned he would rock his boat on Clydes pond hereafter, in order that he might fatten his own fish. He also let it be known that several others in the party were generous.

Albert Parham, Of Shannon, Dies

Albert Parham, aged 70, operator of a grist mill at Shannon, passed away Saturday morning, July 5, after having been in declining health for two years.

He is survived by his wife, who was Miss Leona Williford before their marriage; by one son, Carl Parham of Shannon; and six daughters, Mrs. W. P. Smith, Mrs. Katie Hubbard and Mrs. Judson Lee, all of Red Springs, Mrs. Jack Gibson and Mrs. T. P. Hogan, both of Shannon, and Mrs. Virginia Moss of Concord; and by one half-sister, Mrs. Jim O'Tuel of Gibson.

Funeral services were conducted Sunday afternoon, July 6, at 4 o'clock, from the residence by Rev. H. R.

Hit And Run Death Found Unavoidable By Coroner's Jury

At a coroner's inquest held Monday morning the jury found that Scott McPhaul, Blue Springs negro found dead on highway 15A June 29, met his death from a car driven by Carl A. Prosser, that he had been drunk and lying in the road, and that the death was unavoidable.

Acting Coroner W. R. Brington first determined from friends and relatives of the deceased that he had been drinking prior to the accident and that he was going after more whiskey. From statements made by officers regarding the injuries received by McPhaul it was determined that he was lying in the road when struck.

The car was driven by Carl A. Prosser of Arlington, Va., who made the statement to officers that he thought he hit a dog, curled up in the road and did not stop for that reason. Prosser's car was traced by Patrolman J. E. Murrill, who heard that a car had stopped in Rockingham to repair a damaged radiator.

Unreturned Questionnaires

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- 186—James Thompson
- 1147—Robert Junior Ellerbe
- 1213—Oscar Nathaniel Huff
- 1358—James Fountain Jussey
- 1439—Norman Feldon Husey
- 1475—John David Daniel

Mr. T. B. Lester, chairman of the Hoke County Selective Service board, yesterday stated that these questionnaires had not been returned to the board. He emphasized the importance of the fact that these documents be sent in at once. He urged that if anyone knew the location of these men they communicate with the board at once.

Notice To All Red Cross Sewers

The Red Cross Sewing Room in Raeford will be closed beginning Wednesday, July 9th, through July 22, due to the fact that the material that was ordered to sew with has not yet arrived due to the great demand. Those ladies, who were to sew during these dates, will just continue their days, beginning July 22nd.

Canning Project To Be Carried Out This Summer

A joint meeting of the County Council of the P. T. A. and the principals of the various schools was held at the home of the president of the County Council, Mrs. H. A. Cameron, on Tuesday afternoon, July 8th. Plans were made for the summer canning for the schools of the county. A list of dates will be sent the various schools and communities by Mrs. J. H. Smith, canning project foreman, so that each school may make preparations for getting vegetables into the central cannery in Raeford on time. Mildouson expects to do its canning in the community at the homes of the various members of the Mildouson P. T. A. It was decided that every effort should be made to can all vegetables possible on account of the National Emergency.

Hoke 4 - H Club Members To Broadcast

"Four members of the Hoke county 4-H club will present a fifteen minute broadcast over radio station W. P. T. F., in Raleigh, on Saturday, July 16th, at 1:45 P. M.," says Josephine Hall, home agent. The broadcast will be in the form of a short playlet entitled, "Mrs. Brown gets a water system." Mrs. Brown will be played by Elaine Smith, Mr. Brown by Robert Mott, Edward Brown by Rilea Jordan, and Mary Brown by Martha Harris.

Miss Hall and Mr. Knowles, county agent, will carry the boys and girls to Raleigh Saturday morning.

LIVESTOCK

Marketing of livestock and total meat production so far in 1941 have been about as large as in the corresponding months of last year, reports the U. S. Bureau of Agricultural Economics.

Pool. Burial was in the Antioch church cemetery.