

## Election Board Names Registrars And Judges

**C. L. Thomas Elected Chairman of Board; Saturday Final Date For Filing Candidacies.**

Following the organization at which Crawford L. Thomas was named chairman of the Hoke County Board of Elections, registrars and judges for the primary on May 30th and the general election this fall were appointed by the board.

The board announced that the registration books would be opened on Saturday, May 2nd, and on May 9th and 16th, and that May 23rd would be challenge day. Persons who have come of voting age, or will be of voting age at the time of the general election on November 3rd, and those who have changed their legal residences, should see the registrar in their precinct and register between May 2nd and May 16th.

J. W. McPhaul and D. C. Cox are the other members of the county board.

Saturday, April 18th, is the last day for office seekers to file their candidacies with the board, and to date, while a number have announced their intention of running for various offices few have paid their fees, according to Chairman Thomas.

Registrars and judges appointed this week are being notified by the board. They are listed below, the first named under each precinct is the registrar, the second and third are the judges.

**Raeform Township**  
Raeform No. 1  
L. J. Campbell, A. A. Harris, M. M. Culbreth.

**Raeform No. 2**  
Devoe Austin, W. W. McLean, G. W. Cox.

**McLauchlin Township**  
Rockfish:  
M. G. Ray, Frank Aownsend, G. P. Barbour.

**Puppy Creek**  
F. A. Monroe, Hugh Hair, John Parker.

**Quewhiffle Township**  
W. L. Thornburg, L. R. Cothran, Dewey Strother.

**Allendale Township**  
L. A. McGougan, H. F. Currie, J. W. Hasty.

**Antioch Township**  
F. K. Watson, F. C. McPhaul, John Culbreth.

**Blue Springs Township**  
E. A. Wright, J. F. McMillan, R. J. Hasty.

**Little River Township**  
E. B. Blue, Cameron Johnson, Jack Hening.

**Stonewall Township**  
N. A. McInnis, J. L. McFayden, D. L. McGougan.

## Present Board Commissioners Ask Re-Election

Announcement of the candidacies of the members of the present Board of Commissioners of Hoke county yesterday was the first intimation that the county would have a set of commissioners for the next two years.

Though candidates for the offices of sheriff and clerk of court have been announcing since early February, it was not until yesterday that any one had given any official attention to the commissioner's office.

In an announcement published in this issue of the News-Journal N. H. G. Balfour, chairman, A. K. Stevens, W. L. Gibson, E. R. Pickler, and Hector McNeill, who compose the present board, announce for re-election subject to the Democratic primary.

## Governor Designates May 4th-9th As War Bond Week

Raleigh, April 15.—May 4th-9th was today designated as War Bond Week by Governor J. Melville Broughton who issued a proclamation calling upon all citizens of the State to sign voluntary pledges during that period to set aside a portion of their income for the regular purchase of war savings bonds and stamps.

The campaign will be conducted throughout the State under the direction of the Defense Savings Staff of the United States Treasury, of which Charles H. Robertson of Greensboro is state administrator. Julian Price of Greensboro is state chairman of the campaign.

Plans for pledge-signing, which will be on a voluntary basis and for such amounts as the individual may designate, were perfected at a meeting of county chairmen and chairmen of the larger towns in Greensboro last Tuesday.

## Spring Rally Of Young People Held Saturday

The young people of the Raeform Presbyterian church were hostesses Saturday to the Spring Rally of the Young People of Fayetteville Presbytery. About 250 delegates from all sections of the Presbytery attended the meeting which was presided over by Miss Mary Blue of Parkton, president of the Young People's League of Fayetteville Presbytery.

Using the theme, "We Build With Thee, O Christ," an interesting program was presented embracing many of the phases of the young people's work. One of the features of the program was an address by the Rev. J. O. Mann, D. D., Director of Religious Education for the Synod of North Carolina. Dr. Mann spoke of the serious times in which the young people are living and challenged them to complete Christian living.

Mrs. J. B. Black of Red Springs, Miss Mary Boyce of Highland Church, Fayetteville, Miss Betty Taylor of the First Church, Fayetteville, and Miss Sara Grantham, of St. Pauls led discussion groups on various phases of the young people's work.

During the afternoon session David Huffins, Jr., Ali Taylor, Ed Hay, and Charlie Parish of Davidson college, spoke in an interesting manner on their impressions of the Youth Conference on World Missions held in Memphis during the Christmas holidays. The Rally concluded with an impressive installation service conducted by the Rev. John H. McKinnon, Jr., of Maxton. Among the new officers installed was Dixie Smith of the Raeform Church.

It was announced during the rally that the Pioneer Conference for Intermediates would be held at Flora Macdonald college, June 15-20; the Davidson Young People's Conference, June 10-17; and the Fayetteville Presbytery Young People's Conference at Flora Macdonald college on June 22-27. It is expected that young people of the Raeform Church will attend these conferences.

The Woman's Auxiliary of the Raeform Church served lunch to about 250 young people and their adult advisors. Arrangements for the Rally were under the direction of the young people of the Raeform Church of which Catherine Ann Walker is president.

Among the ministers attending the Rally were, P. H. Biddle of Broadway, G. F. Kirkpatrick of Maxton, C. M. Gibbs of Erwin, H. R. Poole of Hill, J. H. McKinnon, Jr., of Maxton, L. A. MLaurin of Hemp, G. M. Pickard of Sanatorium, and M. P. Calhoun of St. Pauls.

## Five Defendants Sentenced In County Court

Edgar Tew, charged with operating a car while drunk, was found guilty in county court Tuesday. Given 60 days on the roads with the sentence to be suspended upon payment of \$50 and costs Tew filed notice of appeal to superior court. Bond was set at \$100.

John F. McKenzie, young soldier from Fort Bragg, was ordered held for Army police in the same case on similar charges.

Albert Jones indicted for operating car with improper brakes paid court costs; Clarence C. Phillips, truck operator, paid costs and damage for careless and reckless driving and damage to property. Arnold Roosevelt drew a 60 day sentence for violation of the liquor laws, the sentence was suspended on good behavior for 12 months.

## Jo E. McMillan Dies At Home In Alabama

Mrs. Edgar Hall was notified Monday of the death of her brother, Jo E. McMillan, formerly of near Parkton, at his home in Andalusia, Ala.

Mr. McMillan was the son of the late Z. T. and Anne Murphy McMillan of the Parkton section and has many relatives in that community. He has been a resident of Alabama for the past 30 years where he has operated a turpentine and naval stores business.

## Wilson McBryde At Honolulu

Madison Wilson McBryde, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. M. McBryde of Stonewall township, has written his parents that he is still stationed in Hawaii. He is with an engineering unit which went to the islands in September.



This column will be devoted to the activities of the Red Cross chapter of Hoke county. Rev. E. C. Crawford is director of the publicity for the chapter and will prepare the copy each week. To get news of your community Red Cross work in this column send your material to Rev. Mr. Crawford.

With the entrance of the United States into the war the normal, peace-time methods of communication between this country and enemy, or enemy-occupied countries were suspended. As a result, individuals having relatives or friends in those countries are no longer able to communicate with them by the usual means. The Red Cross, however, through its international organization, is able to exchange messages of a purely personal or family nature between civilians of nations at war with one another. This is done with the approval of the governments concerned. The National Headquarters Inquiry Service handles these messages as well as inquiries about the safety or location of civilians or military or naval personnel outside the continental United States.

Work of this nature was formerly handled by the Inquiry and Information Service of Insular and Foreign Operations. With the entry of the United States into the war, the service was, however, transferred from Insular and Foreign operations and made a part of Home Service at National Headquarters, in order to centralize in Home Service all programs involving personal service to individuals in this country.

## Howard Stinchcomb Dies Suddenly

News of the death of Howard Stinchcomb, husband of the former Miss Lloyd Tapp, reached Raeform Tuesday. Full details of his death could not be learned as members of the Tapp family had left for the Stinchcomb home in Black Mountain.

Mr. Stinchcomb was seriously injured in a fall in Black Mountain and was taken to Mission Hospital in Asheville where he died. Mrs. Crawford Wright, Mrs. Helton and Mr. Arch Tapp, sisters and brother of Mrs. Stinchcomb left at once for Black Mountain. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Tapp left Wednesday to attend the funeral. This news was a shock to Mrs. Stinchcomb's many friends. She had very recently visited her family in Raeform and the community.

A more detailed account of this will appear in the News-Journal next week.

## Tire Thieves --- Almost!

Miss Lizzie Niven was disturbed by a noise about ten o'clock last Friday night, and when she went to investigate, she found that someone was trying to steal the tires from her car which was in the garage. She shot twice at the two thieves and they got away—without the tires. Later in the night, one of them was caught. He was a sergeant from Fort Bragg. Lt. Gibson, of the Military Police in Fort Bragg is investigating the case.

## Three Hoke Men Promoted; Lewis Heads 252nd

From Fort Screven, Georgia, has come the announcement this week that three Hoke county men were among 19 officers of the 252nd Coast Artillery given promotions by the Army.

Promoted to Colonel and commanding officer of the 252nd was Lt. Col. Robert B. Lewis; to Captain and commanding officer of Battery E, 252nd CA was 1st Lt. Younger F. Snead, the son of Mrs. S. A. Snead of Raeform; to 1st Lieutenant and the staff of the 1st Battalion 252nd CA was 2nd Lieutenant Neill James Blue, the son of Mr. and Mrs. N. B. Blue.

Col. Lewis succeeds Col. McLeland, of Wilmington, as commanding officer of the CA regiment which was formerly composed of officers and men of the North Carolina National Guard. The regiment has been in training at Fort Screven since 1940 and is now composed of men from many states, the original complement of men already having been assigned in most cases to other outfits and stationed at numerous points on the Atlantic coast.

## Parents Of Mrs. Colon Scarborough Fatally Injured Sunday

Monroe, April 14.—Double funeral services were held at 11 o'clock Tuesday morning in the Wingate Baptist church for Mr. and Mrs. Wilton A. Williams, prominent Union county couple, who were killed last night on the highway in front of their home on Pageland road.

The couple had been on a visit to a neighbor and returned home in a friend's car about 10 o'clock. Just after they alighted from the car and started across the road, a car, driven by Charles A. Sturgeon of Darlington, S. C., struck them. Mrs. Williams was killed instantly and Mr. Williams died in the hospital at 2 o'clock Monday morning without regaining consciousness.

Funeral services were held in the Baptist church at Wingate Tuesday afternoon. The pastor of the church was assisted by several former pastors of the couple. Interment was in the Wingate cemetery. The bodies were laid side by side in the same grave.

Mr. and Mrs. Williams were the parents of one of Raeform's most popular young women, Mrs. Colon Scarborough. Mrs. Williams had been quite sick during the past winter and Mrs. Scarborough had spent several weeks with her. But she had entirely recovered and was in good health. The news of this tragic accident which was phoned to the Scarborough's Sunday night shocked the entire community.

Mrs. Tommy Upchurch, Mrs. Louis Upchurch, Mrs. I. Mann, Mrs. Paul Dezerne, Mrs. Julian Blue, and Mrs. Alfred Cole spent Monday in Monroe with Mrs. Scarborough.

Those going to Wingate for the funeral Tuesday were: Rev. and Mrs. E. C. Crawford, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Upchurch and Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth MacDonald.

Subscriptions paid now will be placed 1 year from THIS MONTH regardless of how far behind you are.

## NEWSPAPERS AND THE WAR

The American newspaper is having its problems incident to the war and it is a problem that threatens to become increasingly and progressively stunning.

Two important dailies, The Dallas Journal and The Kansas City Journal, have announced suspension of publication. The mortality among the smaller papers, the weeklies and semi-weeklies, is expected to be proportionately even greater than among the larger dailies.

This news emphasizes the wartime problems that are facing all newspapers. "The fate of The Journal," declares The Kansas City Star, in commenting on the announcement of its competitor's discontinuance of publication, "unhappily is a symptom of the difficulties that increasingly confront all newspapers in the emergency of rising costs and lower revenues that necessarily attend war."

The factors of lower revenues and rising costs were in the lap of the publishers of American newspapers prior to the outbreak of the war.

It is now only being intensified as important sources of advertising revenues are being closed up because of war conditions, and yet others are in prospect.

And while this is happening at one end of the industry of newspaper publishing, rising costs at the other end are only accentuating the difficulties which many of these papers are facing in keeping their heads above water.

Important annual meetings of publishers and editors of the nation are soon to come along and these new aggravations of sorely besetting old problems will engage the thought of the leading brains of the industry to conceive of some plan of economy by which to combat the double-barreled attack that conditions are making upon the business of newspaper publishing.—The Charlotte Observer.

## Miss Flora Boyce Kiwanis Speaker; Plan A. & R. Trip

Members of the Raeform Kiwanis club and their wives expect to participate in a district rally to be held at Breece's Landing at Fayetteville Friday evening. Members expect to travel to Fayetteville by motor coach over the Aberdeen and Rockfish railway.

Kiwanian Paul Dezerne, agent for the railroad, is making arrangements for a special trip of the coach to carry the local delegation. Members from Sanatorium will be picked up there and others will join the party here. Exact hours for departure and return are to be announced.

Miss Flora Boyce, for twenty years a teacher of children of missionaries in Japan and China, was the speaker at the club meeting last week. Miss Boyce spoke of the vast difference between these people who to the casual sightseer seem so much alike.

The speaker told of the treatment received by the Koreans at the hands of the Japs after their country had been taken over. She stated that the Koreans had been driven off of their more productive lands and that when she was last in that country, fully seventy-five per cent of the good lands had been taken over by the Japs. This, she said, would be true of any land which they subdued.

The Japanese have been taught, Miss Boyce said, that there is no sin except against the state. Their emperor, said to be descended from the Sun God, was considered holy and through him the national government was all powerful and could do no wrong.

Miss Boyce stated that in most of the islands of the Pacific the merchants were Chinese. These merchants, she added, were the ones who had contributed so much to the war fund which had kept the armies of Chiang Kai Shek in the field against the Japs. Now, she concluded, the Japs have conquered most all of these islands and this great flow of money to Chiang has been stopped. To replace this money, she said, America and Britain will have to supply more funds to the Chinese war fund.

## Grays Win From Scranton, 4-3, Wednesday

The Williamsport Grays came from behind Wednesday to win again from Scranton, 4 to 3. They won 6 to 2 at Bennettsville Monday. Tommy Neill did the trick with a smashing two-bagger to left center in the ninth inning, scoring Hall, who had reached first base on Wortman's error, and Curry, who singled. Two men were out.

The Miners scored all of their runs in the opening round. Cordell was ineffective in that inning, yielding four hits which, with Neill's miff of a long fly to left center, chased Calhoun, Nieman and Zipay across the rubber. Cordell then settled down to business. He yielded two hits in the second and two more in the third, but the punch necessary to score was not forthcoming. Twyble gave a base on balls and hit one batter (Carnevale) in his five inning tenure on the mound but he gave up no hits. He fanned Kluk twice.

The Grays got their first run on a base on balls, an error by Wortman and Hall's single to center. They went scoreless until the eighth when Dorish passed Neill and Kolberg and McCarthy scored Neill with a single to right.

The climax came with dramatic suddenness. It looked like a lost cause in the ninth, when Wortman threw Mustakis out at first base and Twyble fanned. Then Wortman bobbled, Curry singled and Neill doubled into deep center. Catcher McGah suffered a split finger in the fourth inning from a foul tip and will be out of the game for several days. Mustakis covered acres in left field and made two hair-raising catches. Twyble fielded his position nicely collaborating with Kolberg to make three nice plays at first base. The Miners made three double plays.

## Lts. Lamont And Dickson Called Back Into Active Service

Lts. William Lamont, Jr., and G. Graham Dickson, of the 252nd Coast Artillery, have been called back into service.

Lt. Lamont is to report to Fort Moultrie, S. C., and Lt. Dickson to San Diego, Calif. Mrs. Dickson and children plan for the present to live with Mrs. Dickson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Will Lamont. They will submit their present home completely furnished.

## Williamsport Team Shaping Up Fine, Says Abbott

The Williamsport Grays will break training and leave Raeform Friday morning of next week for Fort Lee, Va., to play a game with a soldiers' team made up chiefly of former major league baseball stars. After an all-night stop in Richmond, they will go on to Wilmington, Del., for the final game of the training season Sunday. From Wilmington they will go direct to Williamsport, where they will open the 1942 Eastern League season Wednesday, the 29th, with the Elmira Pioneers as their opponents.

"Aided by fine weather the team has been shaping up very nicely," Manager Spencer Abbott said yesterday, "and, with the additional players expected, we'll surely have a first division team. We have a complete pitching staff—the best in the league, I think. Bill Peterman, a catcher acquired from the Phillies in the deal for Ran Northey, will join us at Wilmington, and share the season's backstop duties with Gus Hixson, who was bought from the Cleveland organization. It is expected the Grays will go into the league season complete and formidable. The men are in good condition, with very little muscle soreness, and all are rarin' to go."

The squad as made up at present consists of Alex Mutaikis, John Cordell, Sam Zoldak, Nate Pelter, Carl Twyble, Art Jones and Harry Petty. The latter joined the squad Saturday night. All are pitchers. Ori Arntzen, another pitcher, has been detained at his home in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, owing to the illness of his wife, who underwent a major operation and is still quite ill. The catchers, as previously stated, are Hixson and Peterman; infielders — Irv Kolberg, first base; Don Curry, second base and captain; Emil Skoloda, shortstop; Irv Hall, third base; Tommy Neill, center field, and Bill McCarthy, right field. Russell Goodrich, a rookie from near Williamsport, succumbed to an acute attack of homesickness and left for home last Friday night. Cordell is filling the left field position very acceptably.

The Grays will go to Charleston, S. C., for a night game Friday of next week and a Sunday contest, and to umter, S. C., for a Monday game. Local fans will have their final opportunity to see them play at Raeform park on Wednesday, the 22nd. After the game at Bennettsville with Scranton on the 23rd the Grays will head for Williamsport.

## April 17th Victory Book Day

In his press conference on Tuesday President Roosevelt named Friday, April 17th, as Victory Book Day. The President, at this time, will ask Americans everywhere to contribute as many good books as they can spare to the men in the armed forces, the soldiers, sailors, and marines at home and overseas who, while fighting and training to fight, still have time to read, and appreciate a good book.

The local depots in all cases are the local libraries, and in case you wish any further information, the librarian nearest you can help you. Your invaluable support will be appreciated many times over by our fighting men in all parts of the world who, in lonely hours greet a good book as a precious friend.

## Scranton Plays Camp Sutton At Red Springs.

The Scranton "Miners" of the Eastern League will play Camp Sutton at the new Robbins Park at Red Springs Sunday afternoon, April 19th, at 3:00 p. m., according to Tom Cope, park manager.

The Sutton team will be composed of former major and minor league stars now in the training camp at Monroe.

Approximately 2,000 fans witnessed the Scranton-Greensboro tilt at Robbins park when Greensboro edged out the Miners 12 to 11 in a slug-ging affair during which 8 hits went over the fence.

## AIR RAID WARNINGS FOR RAEFORD

WARNING SIGNAL—A series of repeated short blasts on the siren. This will be the warning for an actual raid or for a practice alert. If at night it means an instant and complete blackout.

ALL-CLEAR SIGNAL—One long blast of the siren.