

Supt. McDonald Announces Dates School Opening

The six white schools of Hoke County will open on Monday, Sept. 28th, it was announced yesterday by K. A. McDonald, superintendent of county schools. The two Indian schools will open on October 19th and the 23 schools for negroes will begin their terms on Oct. 26th.

Mr. McDonald stated that practically all places on the faculties of the 31 county schools were filled and that preparations were fast being completed for the enrollment of the 4,000 pupils expected to attend these schools this year. Estimated enrollment in the two high schools of the county is expected to slightly less than last year, he stated, but total enrollment for the year is expected to be practically the same as the 4,500 registered last year.

The principals of the schools are expected to meet next Monday in a pre-school conference to be held at the office of the superintendent and two bus drivers meetings will also be held next week. The white bus drivers will meet at the Hoke County High School on Thursday, Sept. 24, and the colored drivers will meet the following day at Upchurch high school.

The county-wide teachers meeting will be held for white teachers at the high school on Friday, Sept. 25.

It was pointed out that credits received for 8th grade work this year will not be accredited toward graduation from high school, as this grade is now a part of the grammar school, according to the new state law.

Raeford Lumber Company Moves

"It is an ill wind that blows no good." The housing shortage has caused the Raeford Lumber Co. to move its offices which were just off South Main Street.

The old offices were made into a comfortable dwelling into which Carson Clipper, one of the company's valuable employees, moved. A building on the back, west end of the lumber yard was remodeled and made an attractive office and warehouse. This stands in the shadow of four mammoth oak trees. A prettier or cooler site can't be found around here. Another sight, one can figure on its beauty to suit himself, was Ryan McBryde, John Murdock McDuffie and John Frank Chisholm gossiping in the shade of the trees in front of the office.

John Murdock looked mighty comfortable as he "lowed" since the "2nd Army" came he'd been sleeping in his coffin house.

Anyway, the Raeford Lumber Company is doing a fine business at present, and the new and up-to-date office is in keeping with its progress.

Stolen Car Found By Sheriff Hodgin

A car stolen from Marlboro County, South Carolina, was recovered this week by Sheriff D. H. Hodgin. The car was found abandoned on Route 15-A.

Three men, believed to have stolen the car and brought it to this state, were taken into custody shortly after the finding of the car and later turned over to South Carolina officers. Tires from the car had been removed. It is believed that tires in possession of the men taken by the sheriff were those taken from the stolen car.

Hold Negro for Knife Assault On Soldier

Jettie Smith, colored, is being held in the county jail on assault charges pending the recovery of James Tilgham, soldier, who was dangerously injured here Saturday night, receiving severe knife wounds which, according to officers, were inflicted on Smith.

Tilgham is in a Fort Bragg hospital. He has a good chance for recovery, according to information received here by local police.

PUBLIC CAUTIONED

The public is cautioned about taking care of such things as metal tubs, buckets, cooking ware, pins, needles, safety pins, metal hair pins, etc., as it appears there will be an acute shortage of these and many other articles made of metals.

Grew Demands War to Death

Warns That Japanese Mean To Conquer United States if Possible; Asks More Production

Bridgeport, Conn., Sept. 16—Former Ambassador Joseph C. Grew, asserting that "the ruthless will which is driving the Japanese nation toward conquest knows neither gentleness nor mercy," called upon America to "stop groping" and to realize that this war "is the real thing, played for keeps."

"Today we face the greatest task in history," said Grew, in addressing employees of the giant Remington Arms plant here at a dinner marking presentation of the Army-Navy "E." "An easy transformation is not enough. Our effort must be an extraordinary one—one which exceeds anything that we have undertaken heretofore . . . this is war to the finish."

"The Japanese understand this—peasants as well as admirals and generals. They have gambled everything on their belief that we are too soft, too divided among ourselves, to stand before the fury of their attack—indeed a furious attack."

The ambassador, who represented the United States 10 years in Japan, compared this nation at present to a football team playing against the scrubs and added that "the punch, the determined plunge that brings victory" was absent.

"It is up to each one of us, to every American, to see the picture as a whole, to realize that we are fighting for our individual and national existence and for everything that each one of us holds dear, to gain from that realization inspiration, zeal, courage and determination to harness all our energies into a tremendous effort, an epochal effort, that will make our victory sure."

Ervin McGill Passes In Fayetteville

W. Ervin McGill of the Galatia section of Cumberland county, died in a Fayetteville hospital Sunday morning after a long period of failing health, and a week of serious illness. He was 66 years of age.

He was the son of the late Archie D. McGill, legislator and social and spiritual worker, well-known in this section of the state, and Mrs. Effie Currie McGill, a member of a long prominent family. He was a deacon in Galatia church, a prominent and successful farmer and one of the most genial of men.

The funeral was conducted from Galatia Church Monday afternoon at 4 o'clock, the pastor of the deceased, Rev. F. M. Bain, officiating. Interment was made in the church cemetery.

He is survived by one sister, Miss Eloise McGill of the home.

Officers Sanders And Wright Get Nine Gamblers

Raiding a gambling place near Edinburg Mills Saturday, Deputy Sheriff J. C. Wright and Special Officer W. R. Sanders caught nine men and booked them on gambling charges.

No Bethesda Homecoming

It is not planned to hold a homecoming at Old Bethesda this fall, due, of course, to the tire and gasoline situation and to other circumstances arising out of the war emergency.

This will be the first year in the recollection of many that another "red letter" day for Old Bethesda will not be written in the pages of Sandhill history.

L. E. REAVES IN HOSPITAL

L. E. Reaves, owner and manager of Reaves Drug Store, was taken to Highsmith's Hospital in Fayetteville last week where he continues quite sick. That he will soon be restored to his genial good health is the wish of his fellow townsmen.

FRED P. JOHNSON PAINFULLY INJURED

Fred P. Johnson, State gin specialist, suffered a painfully bruised hand while making an inspection at Oakdale Gin Saturday. His right hand was caught in the machinery at the press and the palm of his hand was badly mangled. No bones were broken.



ROAD TO VICTORY!

By Stuart Cloete
Why should anyone buy War Bonds? There is no compulsion to buy them. There is no winter relief . . . no SS man standing outside the door saying, "Buy or else." Nothing is at stake but the future of the country . . . perhaps of the World.

What then is a stamp or bond but a vote of confidence in ourselves? In our capacity to drive on, to break all opposition and then to reconstruct upon a new and better design, a world that will be different. A world of surplus instead of one of scarcity. But a bond is more than this. It is an investment. It is something of a miracle that freedom can be bought and that in addition it should pay a dividend of almost 3 per cent. And this is not all, bonds stand between us and the spiral of inflation which could engulf us more easily than any enemy backed by money exceeds supply, which normally equals demand, outside our gates. For the first time in many years, demand and even stimulates it by advertising and credit purchasing plans. Are we to save money against the time when we may need it, or bid for the few consumer goods that are left against ourselves? There is one more reason for buying bonds. The President, who is also the commander in chief, has asked us to do so.

Meanwhile . . . while we hesitate . . . while we complain of nominal hardship . . . men die . . . not only fighting men, but women and small children also. They die for a good cause. A good reason . . . for freedom. But we who are not dying must pay in time or money, or we shall find ourselves dishonored. The time is short. It passes . . . and having passed, is forever lost.

Men in France, in Poland, in Norway . . . men all over Europe are regretting time . . . are saying: "If only we had known. But we do know. The writing is on the wall. Corregidor, Pearl Harbor, Singapore, Dunkirk, are not dreams. They are evil things that have happened, and now this evil approaches us. It lies in wait off our coasts.

Time is money . . . but money cannot buy time, nor bring dead men to life, nor purchase freedom once it is lost.

That is why we must buy bonds now . . . today, and tomorrow, and the day after. Buy bonds until this thing is destroyed utterly . . . because time is not subject to manipulation . . . because the past is dead and the future is mortgaged . . . because the world cannot live half free and half slave. Nor we, the free, allow the mortgage upon our freedom to be foreclosed. Failing now, we fail forever. Never before could so much be bought for so little. Never so much lost for lack of that little.

New Raeford Bowling Alley

A trio of enterprising business men have answered the call of a long time want and opened a bowling alley in Raeford—Jack Morris, W. D. (Preacher) Brown and Tom Cameron are the owners. Lonnie Teal, Jr., is score keeper. The place is proving very popular and when cooler weather comes, specials will be put on, ladies' day, etc. It is to be a clean place absolutely. Coca-colas and other soft drinks will be served most of the time. This new alley is in the building formerly occupied by Hoke Furnishing Co. and is next door to Mack's 5 and 10c store.

Kiwanians to Give Fish Fry Tonight For 150 Soldiers

The Raeford Kiwanis Club will be host tonight to approximately 150 soldiers of the 2nd Armored Division at a fish fry to be held at the Armory.

Tommy Upchurch, Dr. R. A. Mathe-son and Neill A. McDonald are members of the entertainment committee in charge of supper arrangements.

MOSQUITO TALE FROM CHERRY POINT

One of Hoke County's boys just home from Cherry Point tells a tale, the truth of which he vouches for. He says that the mosquitoes are bad all day but when night comes on, it is something else." He says a rattlesnake bit a mule, that the farmer left the mule to die and went to haul him off the next day but the mule was up and, feeling fine but on the ground where he had lain there was a wagon load of dead mosquitoes.

DUNDARRACH INGATHERING

Plans are going forward for the Dundarrach Presbyterian Church ingathering which is to be Thursday, Oct. 1st. It has been decided to serve only supper, instead of dinner, as stated last week. A delicious barbecue plate will be served, the outside oven at the community house making possible freshly baked bread, hot coffee, along with other good things. The ladies will start serving supper at five o'clock and continue as long as necessary.

Scrap iron and steel waste not important raw materials in Civil War days. The open hearth furnace, which today uses 90 per cent of the scrap consumed by the steel industry, was not operated in this country until 1888.

Five Volunteers In Group Entering Services

Five volunteers were listed by the Hoke Board of the Selective Service among a group of men entering the armed services this week from the county. The volunteers are: Sidney Albert Einig, Francis Robert McGill, Robert B. Slagle, Tom Clark Sinclair and Raymond W. Mize.

Those accepted at Fort Bragg of the group inducted from the county last week were: Herbert Clifton Gillis, Prince Long, William Smith, James Edwin Baker, Hugh D. McFaydeh, Ernest Adam Almond, Malcolm Hayward Campbell, Truman Bostic Austin, Julius Odell Melton, Hardy Britt Willis and Howard Reedy McNeill

War Meeting In Raleigh

Leaders of Civilian Defense through out North Carolina are assembling in Raleigh today to map plans for the State-wide blackout to be held later this month.

The meeting will be addressed by Gov. Broughton, Regional OCD Director Chas. H. Murchison, Brig. Gen. Eric Fisher Wood and members of State and Regional defense staffs.

In addition to planning the first complete State blackout, the new Citizen's Service Corps program will be launched with the assistance of staff specialists from the Atlanta regional office, State director Ben E. Douglas announced.

CHAPLAIN GUEST SPEAKER AT KIWANIS CLUB

Lt. Luke Bolling, chaplain with the 66th Regiment, 2nd Armored Division, was the guest speaker at the meeting of the Kiwanis Club last Thursday evening. He made a very interesting talk, and gave some suggestions as to what the people could do to help the many soldiers who are in town. Pvt. Homer Knowles, who played at the Fox theater in Atlanta for several years before joining the Army, gave two piano selections. The club voted to give a fish fry at the armory for a group of soldiers on Thursday evening of this week.

"LEST YE FORGET"

Officers wives going back to their homes can keep in touch with Raeford by The News-Journal for 50c for three months, subscribe now.

Please mention the News-Journal when shopping in Raeford and surrounding towns.

USO Director Pleased

Mr. Rosensteel, the associate USO director from the Ray Avenue Station of the USO in Fayetteville in a survey of the work that the committee from Raeford is doing in the way of helping the soldiers find pleasure in their leisure time, while in town was very highly pleased with the work.

Taking the comments of the soldiers themselves they had the highest praise for the way they have been treated. This in itself should be praise enough for the fine work of the committees, but at this time the USO wish to thank those people who have availed themselves of their time and labor for their splendid cooperation.

13 Defendants In County Court Tuesday

Thirteen defendants paid costs in lieu of sentences to the roads in county court here Tuesday. All drew 30-day sentences except Gib McLaughlin who was convicted of assault on Dwight Evans. McLaughlin drew a four-month sentence which was suspended upon payment of costs.

Others facing Judge W. B. McQueen were: Alex Brigman, charged with careless and reckless driving; Curmes Jones, having improper license plates, and drunkenness; Devon Jones, drunkenness; Ted Morris, drunkenness; Otis H. Salome, speeding; Lahome Hasty, drunkenness; Carrie Maynor, drunkenness; Leary Baldwin, James Baldwin and Leviney Small, gambling; Robert Oxendine, violation of road laws; and Tommy Dixon, larceny of stove wood. Dixon was also required to pay A. S. Priest \$3 for the wood taken.

Tobacco Prices Stay at Ceiling On Aberdeen Mart

Since the opening of the Aberdeen tobacco market Monday, prices for every grade have continued to stay at top ceiling every day for every pile.

On Monday 187,586 pounds of tobacco were sold for \$76,898.86 or an average of \$41.00 per hundred according to official figures released by H. Clifton Blue, secretary of the tobacco market.

Both warehouse floors were cleared Monday and have been cleared every day since the opening.

Tuesday's sales were just as strong in Aberdeen Tuesday as they were Monday according to secretary Blue. Tuesday 79,778 pounds were sold for \$31,912.14 or an average of \$40.00 per hundred pounds. The \$1.00 drop in average was due to quite a bit of real common tobacco being offered Tuesday.

The Aberdeen market has proved to be about the strongest in the middle belt since the opening Monday. Many Hoke County farmers have sold tobacco in Aberdeen and report most pleasing prices.

Aberdeen Tobacco Board of Trade Elects Officers

At a meeting of the Aberdeen Tobacco Board of Trade Monday morning the following officers were elected to serve during the year: Robert Wright, warehouseman, president; K. R. Edwards, vice president; H. Clifton Blue, secretary-treasurer.

BARRINGTON APPOINTED COMMISSIONER

W. R. Barrington has been appointed United States Commissioner for the Middle District of North Carolina, for a term of four years. His duties are to give preliminary hearings in all violations of the federal law in this section of the district.

MRS ARCH GRAHAM BRIDGE HOSTESS

Mrs. Arch Graham entertained her bridge club on Monday evening. There were two tables of players, four of whom were visitors and the other four were club members. Mrs. Arch Graham won high score prize.

Mrs. Graham served a delicious salad plate. Visitors were: Mrs. Arch Stuart, Mrs. Frank Tapp, Mrs. Marshall Thomas and Mrs. Margie C. Townsend.

Miss Harriet Elliot Keeps U. S. Job

Mrs. Annie Beam Funderbunk Takes Her Place at Greensboro

Greensboro, Sept. 16—Acting upon the request of Secretary of the Treasurer Henry Morgenthau that Miss Harriet Elliott, dean of women of the Woman's College, continue for the present as associate field director of the war savings staff of the Treasury department, Dr. W. C. Jackson, dean of administration, today announces the appointment of Mrs. Annie Beam Funderbunk to act as dean of women until such time as Miss Elliott will be able to return to return permanently to the college.

Miss Elliott, who has been in Washington since June to organize the women's division in the war bond program, is here this week for the opening of the college for its 51st session, but will return to her post in the capital the last of the week. Under her direction, women chairmen in the 48 states have been appointed to organize the efforts of women individually and collectively in a relentless campaign to sell war bonds.

Since 1934 Mrs. Funderbunk has been a member of the college faculty as a residence hall counselor and instructor in the romance language department. She will continue both duties in assuming the functions of the dean of women during Miss Elliott's temporary absence. Miss Elliott, Dr. Jackson stated, will return to The Woman's College as soon as Secretary Morgenthau will release her from her war service in Washington.

Before coming to The Woman's College, of which she is a graduate, Mrs. Funderbunk was assistant dean of women at Western Carolina Teachers College. She has also taught French in the high schools of Shelby and Monroe.

Army and Navy News - Native!

Pvt. N. A. (Buck) McGill of the Upper Hoke Community who was drafted into the service of Uncle Sam in the Army last spring is now stationed at Drew Field, Fla., and is working in the Army post office, a position he held at Fort Bragg before entering the army. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Archie McGill of Vass route 2. His address is: Pvt. N. A. McGill, 503rd R. P. O., Drew Field, Fla.

Crew North Lilly, of Raeford, is now at Army Air Forces Pre-Flight School for Pilots at Maxwell Field, located on the outskirts of Montgomery, capital of Alabama.

In the Pre-Flight School for Pilots, Cadet Lilly will receive nine weeks of intensive military, physical and academic training, preparatory to his 27 weeks of flight training, which leads to the highly-coveted wings symbolizing the role of a flying officer in the nation's air forces.

Upon completion of his training at Maxwell Field, he will be sent to one of the many primary flying schools in the Southeast Army Air Forces Training Center.

Cadet Lilly attended Hoke High School, Raeford. He was accepted as an aviation cadet in the Army Air Forces March 30, 1942, at Fort Bragg. He was employed as a grocery clerk before entering the service of his country. He began his pre-flight course at Maxwell Field on August 18, 1942.

Fort Benjamin Harrison, Ind., Sept. 16—Pvt. H. A. Currie of Raeford, N. C., arrived in the Finance Replacement Center here recently to begin his basic training in finance.

Prior to his induction at Fort Bragg, N. C., August 14, Pvt. Currie was a clerk and farmer at Raeford.

News has been received that Murdoch McDuffie, who is with the army in England, has been made a sergeant.

D. C. (Tooney) Wilson is now at the School of Pharmacy, Navy Hospital, Charleston, S. C.

John Dunc McNeill and Dee Austin have passed all requirements for entry into Volunteer Officers Candidate School. The young men volunteered their services last week and completed their tests Tuesday at Ft. Bragg. They will await their call from the 4th Corps Area, Atlanta, Ga., within a few weeks.

Every ton of iron and steel scrap salvaged saves two tons of iron ore, one of our most precious national resources.