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Harold C. Keith was recently graduated from Officer's Training School in Brisbane, Australia, and was commissioned a 2nd lieutenant in the Army Air forces. He writes that he likes Australia very much. He is now on furlough at Sydney, Australia.

Promoted

Word has reached Raeford that William T. Covington, Jr., who is at present stationed at the Naval Air Station, Miami, Fla., has been promoted to the rank of Lieutenant Commander.

CAMP LEJEUNE, N. C., Oct. 4.—Marine Private James A. Bostick, Jr., of Raeford, N. C., graduated here September 16 from Automobile Mechanics school. He is now qualified to do all types of engine and chassis maintenance and overhauling. Private Bostick is married to Isabella C. Bostick of Raeford. He is now stationed in Baltimore.

Mrs. Graham Dickson has received word that Major Dickson has arrived safely overseas. He is in the European area.

Lt. and Mrs. Sam Morris of Fort Crockett near Galveston and Lt. and Mrs. Bruce Morris, Jr., (Spec) are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Morris.

James Wood of the Merchant Marines is spending a short while at home.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Grimes, Fayetteville, Rt. 2, have been notified that their son, Tech. Sergeant John Gilbert Grimes, was killed in action in France August 16. He was a member of the 120th Infantry, Co. L. He went overseas early in 1944. In addition to his parents, Sergeant Grimes is survived by two sisters, Mrs. Douglas Stephens of Raeford, and Mrs. J. E. Gibson of Richmond, Va.

Private Ralph Chapman of Aberdeen Proving Grounds, Maryland, is spending two weeks leave here with his family.

LIBRARY NEWS

Charles Christian Wertenbaker, War correspondent for Time and Life magazine, has written a book about the Allied invasion of France. "Invasion is a clear integrated story of what really happened in France."

Richard Tregaskis, author of "Guadalcanal Diary," has written another book, "Invasion Diary," a first hand story of our army in Europe. Other new books received are: State of the Nation, Dos Passos; Sea Eagle, Aldridge; The Gals They Left Behind, Shea; A Walk in the Sun, Brown; American House, Chase; Bermuda Calling, Garth; Cluny Brown, Sharp; Captain Millett's Island, Katherine Newlin Burt; Anna and the King of Siam, Landon; and O Western Wind, Greene.

Parker Church Holds Ingathering Oct 13

Parker Methodist Church will hold its annual ingathering on Friday, October 13. The Rev. W. L. Maness, pastor of the church, will preach a short sermon at 2:30. The sale of many delicious cakes, preserves, jellies, fancy work and farm products will begin at 3 p. m. An "old time" picnic supper with delicious fried chicken, boiled ham, cakes, pies, etc., will be served at 6 o'clock. The public is invited to this.

Many Farm Machines Now Off Ration List

According to information received today by W. C. Hodgkin, chairman of the county Triple A Committee from the State Triple A Committee in Raleigh, N. C., the following pieces of farm machinery and equipment have been removed from WFA rationing and distribution control: combines, corn binders, manure spreaders, mowers, side delivery rakes, hay loaders, pickup hay balers, wheel tractors, garden tractors, well water systems, power pumps, farm milk coolers, sheet metal, water well casing, farm scales, grain drills, potato planters, potato diggers, silo fillers, irrigation pumps, and power sprayers.

Snakes are seldom killed by fire. They crawl into a hole and remain snug and cool until the woods fire has passed.

Lumbee Coop Gets Reduced Interest Rate On Loans

Pace Bill Signed Extends Federal Electrification Of Rural Areas Indefinitely, Says C. A. Alford.

Recent enactment by Congress of the Pace bill, modifying the terms under which the Rural Electrification Administration may make loans to qualified borrowers, has paved the way for construction of power lines to reach less densely populated sections of Hoke, Robeson, Scotland and Cumberland counties. Carl A. Alford, president of the Lumbee River Electric Membership Corporation, said today.

The new legislation fixes the interest rate on all REA loans at a flat 2 percent, and provides that borrowers may be given up to 35 years to amortize their loans where necessary to accomplish complete area electrification on a self-liquidating basis.

Mr. Alford pointed out that the lower interest rate will apply to the Lumbee River Electric Membership Corporation's outstanding REA loan, on which it is now paying up to 2.46 percent as well as to future loans, and will thereby make possible an immediate reduction in loan carrying charges.

The bill also extends indefinitely the life of the REA lending program subject to future Congressional loan fund authorizations, whereas the REA Act of 1936 provided for only a 10-year program. The effect on future loans and on the long-range program of the cooperative, he said, is described in the following statement released by William J. Neal, REA deputy administrator:

"The provisions of the Pace bill, just signed by President Roosevelt, provides one of the greatest forward steps in rural electrification since the basic Act of 1936. Its reduction in interest rates, and the new possibility of longer amortization periods where necessary, give promise that electric lines can be built on a self-liquidating basis into thinner and thinner territories. It brings much closer the attainment of our goal of electricity for every farm, every rural home, every rural establishment in America."

"I have just been advised by Secretary Wickard that the President, in signing the Pace Bill, recognizes that the attainment of this goal of complete electrification of rural America on an area coverage basis requires further legislation."

"The President urged that 'provision should be made for immediate comprehensive surveys of unelectrified areas and for preparation of plans for rural electrification projects which can be placed in construction as soon as manpower and materials are available.' He added, 'funds required for the construction of such projects should be made immediately available' and expressed the hope that as soon as its legislative program will permit, Congress will give consideration to pending legislation making such provision."

Discussing plans for post-war construction, Mr. Alford said the cooperative has applications for electric service on file and from more than 800 farmers and other rural residents. Approximately 100 of these farms, he said, can be served by building extensions from existing power lines.

"Area coverage," Mr. Alford said, "will continue to be the principal objective of the cooperative's rural electrification program. Under this plan the cooperative will endeavor to make electric service available to every unserved farm and rural consumer in this area. Less densely populated sections will be served along with those having a greater population. Such a program makes it possible to build a well-balanced rural electric system which can operate economically and provide ample service to all consumers at the lowest possible cost."

Ingathering At Bethel

The season for ingatherings is now on. These are occasions for town and country people to get together, renew acquaintances and have one big square meal during the year. The ingathering at Bethel church will be held Thursday, October 19. Barbecue with all accessories will be served as well as a chicken salad plate to those who don't eat barbecue. Home-made cakes, candies, quilts, canned goods, etc., will be sold.

Will McDiarmid Home From Duke Hospital

Mr. Will McDiarmid, who hasn't been at all well for sometime, entered Duke hospital last week. He returned to his home near Raeford by ambulance this week.

Revival Begins Tonight At Edinburgh Church

A ten days revival meeting begins tonight at the Edinburgh Community church in Raeford. The Rev. W. L. Maness is in charge of the meeting services each evening at 7:30. Next week he will be assisted by his nephew, The Rev. Bennie L. Maness of Carthage. We are expecting a good meeting. "Come thou with us."

Seek Russell Cagle For The Shooting Of John C. Black

Russell Cagle, negro, employee of the Hoke Cotton Warehouse and Storage company, is being sought by county officers for the shooting of John C. Black, negro, who died in Highsmiths hospital, Fayetteville, early Monday morning of a pistol wound received some six hours before reportedly at the hands of Cagle.

Sheriff D. H. Hodgkin and members of his department received a call shortly after midnight Sunday from the office of Dr. A. L. O'Brian, where Black was taken by several persons who were present when the shooting took place near Bethel church.

Investigation revealed that the men involved, along with Cagle's wife, Dinah, and Daniel Henry Shaw, Mary Bell Morrison, Wilka Lee Jones, and Carrie Lee McFadyen had all been in a car to lower Blue Springs township. Returning, car trouble developed and after this had been fixed an argument started between the two men and ended in Black receiving a mortal pistol wound just above the heart. Cagle and his wife remained at the scene of the crime while the others brought Black to Raeford. Monday morning Dinah Cagle returned to her home near the Warehouse but Cagle has not been found. Black was a truck driver for the Raeford Gin company and the McPhaul and Wright trucking company.

Raeford Presbyterian Church

H. K. Holland, Minister
9:45 A. M.—Sunday school, Mr. T. N. McLaughlin, Supt.
11:00 A. M.—Morning worship, sermon by the pastor.
7:00 P. M.—Pioneer Vespers, "One Body in Christ."
7:00 P. M.—Senior Vespers, "Introduction to Your Brother."
8:00 P. M.—Evening worship, sermon by the pastor.
3:30 P. M. Monday—Circles of the Woman's Auxiliary.
6:30 P. M. Tuesday—Pioneer Hayride.
8:00 P. M. Wednesday—Prayer Meeting.
8:00 P. M. Thursday—Adult choir rehearsal.
7:30 P. M. Saturday—Junior choir rehearsal.

Raeford Methodist Church

W. L. Maness, Minister
10:00 A. M.—Church school, Tom Cameron, general supt.
11:00 A. M.—Regular preaching service with an invitation to church membership.
7:00 P. M.—Youth Fellowship meeting.
7:30 P. M.—Evening worship, sermon by Chaplain Oxner. Be sure to hear him.
4:00 P. M. Monday—Circle meetings of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, as follows:
No. 1, Mrs. Tom Cameron, chairman, with Mrs. Lewis Upchurch.
No. 2, Mrs. M. T. Poovey, chairman, with Mrs. Marshall Thomas.
No. 3, Mrs. G. W. Brown, chairman, with Mrs. Harvey Cole.
7:30 P. M. Friday—Choir practice at the church.

Hoke Sends Group To Bragg Tuesday

The following negroes left Raeford Tuesday for Fort Bragg where they were inducted into the army:
Henry W. Whitted, Joseph Gordon, Harty Graham, Willie Baldwin, James Thomas Mills, Howard Monroe, Ernest Lee Singletary and John Henry Davis.

T. B. Upchurch Is Steadily Improving

T. B. Upchurch, who was taken to Highsmith's hospital several weeks ago very seriously ill, is much better and is steadily improving. The family hopes that his condition will be such that he can be brought home next week.

37 New Names Are Added To Service Roll Of County

Names Of Many Negroes In Service Believed To Be Unreported To Naces Committee.

Thirty-seven new names were added to the list of men and women from Hoke county in the armed forces of our country by the Names Committee of the county Honor Roll this week.

Mrs. Ina Bethune, chairman of the Names Committee, and her group have worked for a number of weeks trying to make the list complete but each week more and more previously unreported persons are found to be in the services.

It was pointed out today that many names of men serving in the merchant marine have been submitted, but the committee had announced the honor roll for men of the armed services of the nation and those in civilian services, no matter how dangerous their duties are not to be included.

The merchant marine is a civilian business and its employees are not members of an armed service, though the Navy does have armed guard units on many of the boats the members of which belong to the Navy and not the merchant ship's crew.

The model of the Honor Roll is now in the window at the Bank of Raeford, and boxes have been placed there where persons may place the names of the men in the armed services, and leave donations to the Honor Roll Fund.

Names added this week are:

WHITE
Baker, Roy Jr.
Gillis, Lloyd W.
Floyd, John Rufus
Gillis, Allie McLeod
Gillis, Nash
Grissom, Milton
Hare, William Lacy
Looper, Robert P.
McInnis, Henry
Peels, Catherine Flora
Ray, John Calvin
Rushin, Walter G.

COLORED

Alderman, Ernest
Billinger, King David
Billinger, Preston E.
Black, Maxwell
Blue, Curtis
Burke, Fairley Augustus
Cameron, Ollie
Clark, Ralph W.
Cooley, Edward Lee
Clark, Raymond
Covington, Ernest
Crouch, Floyd W.
McDowell, Robert, Jr.
Mack, Danny
Mack, David
Mack, Moses
Mack, Reedy
McLean, Dewey
McPhatter, Thearchie
McRae, Francis D.
Mills, Robert
Morrisey, J. D.
Morrison, Henry
Morrison, Rufus Lee

Raeford Baptist Church

J. D. Whisman, Minister
9:45 A. M.—Sunday school, Mr. A. S. Knowles, supt.
11:00 A. M.—Preaching service.
6:30 P. M.—B. T. U. Meeting.
7:30 P. M.—Preaching service, sermon by the pastor.
7:30 P. M. Wednesday—Prayer meeting.

We extend a very special invitation to servicemen and their families to attend any or all of these services.

The pastor wants to thank every teacher and officer of the whole church for fine cooperation during the past associational year. May every teacher and officer for the new year be found worthy and faithful.

We urge all our people to be on time for all the services of the church. Let's begin every service during the new year on time, so as that we might close on scheduled time.

Ephesus Ingathering

The Ephesus Baptist church will hold its annual ingathering on Friday, October 6. Both chicken and barbecue dinners will be served, beginning at noon. An auction will be held also of handwork, cotton, produce, and other products.

Much Respected Colored Man Dies

Lacy Barrett, a colored man who was much respected by both white and colored, died at his home in the Arabia section this week. Lacy came to Hoke many years ago from Moore county and was always a good citizen, hard working and thrifty.

County Offers Reward For Info Against Illegal Deer Hunters

The favorite sport of this section is now in season, and deer hunters from far and wide have congregated at their favorite spots for the first week's round of shirt-tail cutting, yarn-swapping and that one good shot of the season which will land a fleet buck with a "rocking chair" set of antlers right at their feet.

Few if any shirt-tails were sliced off on opening day, it was reported, and most of those getting within range of a buck proved that their eyes were keen even after nine months of inactivity.

Last season was marred by the apprehension of some persons whose desire for venison led them to the illegal and unsportsmanlike night hunting of the deer with flashlight, auto spotlights, etc. A number of the offenders were brought into court here and heavy fines affixed. This season the Board of Commissioners have given further impetus to the action of the Board of Conservation and Development in trying to stamp out this type of deer-murder. A substantial reward is offered to persons who furnish information leading to the conviction of such offenders.

Hoke Narrative Report For Sept

Twelve Home Demonstration clubs met in Hoke county in September. The attendance was 131. The major project for the month was on "Storage of Food." Storage of canned food, dried food, fresh vegetables, butter and the preservation of eggs were among the topics discussed. Since September was National Nutrition month a radio skit on nutrition was given at most of the meetings.

On September 6, five club members, Mrs. Jessie Gibson, Mrs. R. H. Livingston, Mrs. D. J. Dalton, Mrs. Lacy McFadyen, Mrs. N. F. Sinclair, and the home agent attended a bond meeting and luncheon which was held at the home of Mrs. P. P. McCain at the Sanatorium.

A sewing machine clinic was held in the Sewing Laboratory of the Hoke high school on Sept. 5th and 7th. 49 sewing machines were adjusted, oiled, and several overhauled by a representative of the Singer Sewing Machine company of Fayetteville. A group of Rockfish women carried their machines to a man in their local community.

Three club members, Mrs. Marshall Newton, Mrs. Roy Shockley, Mrs. T. C. Jones, and the home agent attended the meeting of the State Council of Home Demonstration clubs which was held in Raleigh on September 19-21.

The home agent attended a meeting of the Area Camp and Hospital Council at Region hospital No. 2, at Fort Bragg on the afternoon of September 14.

288 Red Cross Kit bags were filled and shipped the last of the month. Over half of these were made by club members.

The Hoke High 4-H club girls met on the morning of September 26. The county dress revue was the main topic of discussion at this meeting.

67 library books were checked out to the club women at the meetings.

Josephine Hall, home agent.

Peoples Tabernacle

H. Gwyn Clayton, Minister
9:45 a. m.—Sunday School, Lester Baker, superintendent.
11:00 a. m.—Morning worship, sermon by the pastor.
6:00 p. m.—Young People's meeting.
7:30 p. m.—Evening worship—sermon by the pastor.

All weekly services have been called off to attend revival at Community church.

The pastor announces that work has begun on additional rooms to the Peoples Tabernacle. The plans are to build 3 rooms at present. The people are very enthusiastic over their new project, that will be built by members and friends of the church.

SHILOH CHURCH

Rev. William B. Gaston, Pastor
The Shiloh church has just completed a series of Evangelistic services which was highly successful. Dr. C. H. Storey of Aberdeen conducted the services. The church welcomed in ten new members, three of them by profession of faith.

Services for this week:
Friday Oct. 6—Church night at 7:00 P. M.
Sunday, Oct. 8—Sunday school at 10 A. M.
Sunday Oct. 8—Evening Service at 8:00 P. M. The second of a series of Bible studies in the Gospel of Luke, war correspondent for Time and Life

War Fund Drive Begins In Hoke Monday Morning

County Commissioners Are First Members Of "Early Bird" Club.

Making the first contribution to the United War Fund of Hoke county this year was the Board of Commissioners, whose donation of \$100 was the first to be received by the committee and the board was officially designated the Earliest Bird of the "Early Bird" club.

Chairman Tommy Upchurch states over one hundred volunteer workers will begin the solicitation of Monday morning and that within days it is expected that the county will have contributed at least \$1,500 to this fund. \$1500 of this will be used locally for the benefit of the Hoke County Soldiers, while the rest goes into the national War Fund which supports proved agencies for recreation relief.

Upchurch workers attended two held Tuesday night and last under the direction of Robert Gatlin. It was especially stressed at these classes that work of the drive should be completed as soon as possible and that it was hoped that all canvassing would be completed next week so that the entire drive would end within the next ten days.

Mr. Upchurch stated that he was highly pleased with the attendance at these meetings and that the entire committee was gratified that such enthusiasm should be shown when everyone was so busy with other matters. "This illustrates how much we have got to know about the fine work that is being done by the USO, the War Prisoner's Aid and these relief agencies, and also shows that our people of the county are willing and anxious to give of their time and their money to make things easier for our boys and girls in the services who are aided by the United War Fund."

The "Early Bird Club"

In next week's issue of the News-Journal will appear the names of all firms and persons who can be members of the "Early Bird Club" this year. Persons and firms who make their contributions directly to the treasurer, Mr. W. A. McDonald, at the Bank of Raeford, either by mail or in person, before 11 a. m. Wednesday, October 11, will be officially designated as members of this unique organization. By making your contribution direct to the treasurer you will save a great deal of time of the campaign worker who has you to see, and you show that you do not have to be asked to aid these agencies.

County School News

Since many farmers requested that their children be released from school in order to pick cotton, it was decided by the County Board of Education that the schools would go on short schedule for at least two weeks. During this time, the schools will close at one, some busses leaving at 12:30. At the present it is not known how long it will be necessary to continue the short schedule.

Several clubs have been organized in the high school, among them Photographers, Home Makers, Journalism, Future Farmer of America, Dramatics and Glee clubs. In addition to these is the Beta club, which is an honorary club in which only these students who maintain an average of 85 in their studies and manifest high standards of character and conduct are permitted membership.

The clubs serve the purposes of broadening the pupils experience and knowledge, affording him an opportunity to practice worthwhile interests and hobbies, and aiding in bringing out qualities of leadership.

This year, it has again been decided for the students with the supervision of the faculty, to discuss means of bringing about improvements in the school. To carry on this work, a student council has been formed, composed of two representatives from each home room. The representatives chosen by the students are: Nita Gullede, Mildred Sinclair, Sara Neal McKeithan, Alfred Leach, Shirley Blue, Angela Sorrentino, John Scott Poole, Joe Maxwell, Anne Gore, Buddy Blue, Bobby Burns McNeill, Betty Ella Benner, Alfred Cole, Edith Monroe, William Harris, J. D. McMillan, Kathleen Coltran, and Mary Carter.

There's a farm fire every seven one-quarter minutes. Checking fire hazards and doing something about them will be time well spent.