

## NEWS OF OUR MEN AND WOMEN IN UNIFORM

### Raise in Rank

A Central Pacific U. S. Naval Air Station, Oct. 2.—James Adams, of Raeford, N. C., has been advanced in rating from Steward's Mate Second Class to Steward's Mate First Class, at this Naval Air station, effective September 1, 1944.

Lt. Col. Poole and Capt. and Mrs. T. B. Lester, Jr., of Camp Stewart, Ga. spent Sunday in Raeford.

William Poole who is taking army specialized training reserved program at North Georgia college, is spending this week at home.

Lt. (jg) Jake Austin left Sunday for San Francisco. He is expecting to meet Lt. Alvis B. Dickson, who is also in San Francisco this week.

Pvt. Earl Ray Gales returned to Fort Jackson after spending a ten day furlough with his mother, Mrs. Floyd Jenkins.

Raymond Bottoms F 2-c who is stationed at Norfolk, Va., was at home last week on a ten day leave.

## Cherry Outlines A Broad Program For State Agencies

RALEIGH, N. C., Nov. 1.—A board program for fiscal, farm, road and veterans matters was laid down by R. Gregg Cherry, Democratic nominee for Governor in a series of Congressional District Democratic Rallies held this past week. The candidate, along with several state officials seeking re-election, visited Plymouth, Wilson, Kenansville, Raleigh and Reidsville. In addition, he made several other addresses during the week. Last week the Democratic caravan closed its district rallies with visits to Burlington on Tuesday and Lumberton on Wednesday.

While Mr. Cherry was outlining the plans he will follow if elected Governor he was also declaring his full support of Franklin D. Roosevelt for president, saying it "would be a tragedy to defeat an experienced leader, would dismay our allies, break the morale of our troops and give encouragement to our enemies." At the same time Clyde R. Hoey, democratic nominee for the U. S. Senate, was making address after address, speaking twice a day sometimes, advocating re-election of Roosevelt, a large vote for the state ticket and declaring for a world court with police power to back up its decrees as the surest means of peace.

Mr. Cherry tackled the large general fund surplus and said he favored setting aside \$51,000,000 for debt retirement, \$5,000,000 to raid to returning veterans of World War II, this program to be integrated with that of the Federal Government, sufficient funds for such educational buildings as might be needed to carry on the federal educational program for veterans and a revolving fund for loans to counties in order to enable them to build necessary school buildings after the war.

On the subject of highways, he declared that the highway fund surplus should be inviolate for road purposes only with first attention to farm to market, farm to church, and farm to school roads. He praised the contribution of farmers to the war and pledged that he would make every effort to aid them in their continuing farm programs for fair prices.

With respect to veterans the candidate declared that it was the duty of the state to provide for all returning veterans every opportunity, and whatever was omitted from the federal program he favored being placed in the state program. The state service office for immediate aid to the returning men will be greatly expanded early in his administration, he said, to aid the veterans in preparing all necessary forms and taking advantage of whatever facilities are offered them by the state and federal governments.

## Bethel Meetings Continue

The series of evangelistic services being conducted at Bethel Presbyterian church this week by the Rev. F. Ray Riddle have proved most interesting and large congregations have attended.

They continue throughout the week, except Saturday, and will be concluded next Sunday evening, according to the Rev. William B. Gaston, pastor.

## Education Board Members Oppose School Amendm't

Ryan McBryde Joins In Opposition To Amendment Which Would Create "Czar" Of Schools.

Amendment No. 3, of five amendments on which the people of the State will have to vote next Tuesday is strongly opposed by the ten members of the present board of education, according to statement issued by them this week. Members of the present board dislike the portion of the proposed amendment which would abolish the present office of Comptroller, stating that it would place all executive and financial control of the entire state school system in the hands of the State Superintendent of Education.

H. E. Stacy, board member of Lumberton, was the only member, according to the statement, who refused to sign it for publication. Other members who signed the statement are: H. McL. Graham, Ryan McBryde, W. C. Dawson, L. M. Massey, A. C. Edwards, Sanford Martin, A. S. Brower, H. E. Eisenhour, Julian Miller and Mrs. E. L. McKee. Carl Rudisill, another member is ill; Lt. Gov. R. L. Harris, ex-officio chairman, declined to sign as did State Treasurer Charles M. Johnson. State Superintendent of Publication Instruction Clyde M. Erwin was not asked to sign it.

### The Statement

The statement follows: "In the leading editorial, appearing in 'The News and Observer' on last Saturday, October 21, under the title 'Five Constitutional Amendments,' it is stated with reference to 'Amendment No. 3, to change the State Board of Education Amendment' as follows:

"This would rewrite the amendment adopted at the last general election. The principal changes proposed are: The position of Comptroller would be stricken out and the State Superintendent of Public Instruction would be the administrative head of the public school system and secretary of the board."

"The editorial further says, referring to the adoption of the constitutional amendment in the last general election, that: 'There are those who were not keen to make the change, but the new board of education has worked well and the amendment is an improvement in the opinion of its authors and the board of education.'

"The board of education as presently constituted has, as a board, at no time approved of the amendment to be voted on, on November 7, as inferred in the editorial. On the contrary, a majority of the members desire to express their opposition to the amendment for the following reasons:

"The Constitution now provides for a comptroller or business manager. The proposed amendment leaves out the comptroller and makes no other provision for the management of approximately forty (40) million dollars of money which the people pay into the educational fund annually. The board meets only once a month, and day by day supervision is needed. Instead of having less supervision of the money, it seems to us that more supervision should be had. The omission of the comptroller from the proposed amendment must have been an oversight, but it is an error which the people of the State cannot afford to perpetuate in the Constitution.

"At present, each congressional district has a member. All sections of the State are represented. This is more representative of the people than the creation of eight educational districts, subject to change every time the Legislature meets. For political and other reasons the Legislature could change the districts so that the whole membership of the board could also be changed each two years. No county could be certain as to what district it would be in or who their representative would be for more than two years at the time. This is a condition which the people of the State should avoid.

"The present constitutional amendment, under which the board now operates, has been in force only two years and has worked very satisfactorily. We feel that at this time, when the attention of the people is distracted by the war, that it is no time to amend so important a section of the Constitution.

"For the foregoing reasons we, the undersigned members of the State Board of Education, from our experience, feel that it is our duty to advise the people of the State that in our opinion the proposed educational amendment would not be for the best interest of the schools nor the people at large, and it should be defeated."

## Bazooka Berkshire



LOS ANGELES, CALIF. — No Arkansas Razor-back is this grand champion at the Pacific National Berkshire show purchased by Bob Burns, motion picture and radio comedian, at \$1050 for his Rancho Bazooka. Burns, who is famous for his wild tales of Arkansas hill folk, and the guttural rumblings of his gas pipe Bazooka, is an ardent admirer of fine livestock and spends much time at his ranch near here.

## Erection Of New Farm Equipment Building Begun

F. E. Vestal of Asheboro Will Open Farm Machinery Sales And Repair Business Here.

The erection of a one-story building, 50 by 138 feet in size was begun here this week on the property adjoining that of the Hoke Auto company by F. E. Vestal of Asheboro.

Mr. Vestal states that he will open a sales and repair agency for farm machinery in the building upon its completion.

The property was bought from T. B. Upchurch, Inc, some weeks ago, and the transfer included an additional lot of 50 by 150 feet on which the new owner expects to build an additional building after the war.

## Forty More Are Added To Lists Men In Service

Names Committee Still Being Notified Of Hoke Men In Forces.

Bringing the total list to over 1100, some forty more names were added to the roster of men and women of Hoke county who are in the armed services of the nation by the Names Committee of the Hoke County Honor Roll of which Mrs. Ina Bethune is chairman. Those listed since the last publication of names are:

### WHITE

Autry, Samuel Jackson  
Barnard, Conrad  
Baxley, Paul Spencer, Jr.  
Burns, Clarence Angus  
Costes, William J.  
Davis, Thomas Franklin  
Fields, Henry H.  
Huggins, L. M., Jr.  
Hurt, Phillip J.  
Jones, Roy Walby  
Lisenby, Fred Benjamin  
Lowe, William Henry  
McBryde, Joe Alexander  
McBryde, Ben J., Jr.  
McDuffie, Jack  
McKeithan, Wesley Lawrence  
McPhaul, John D.  
Mott, Robert Lewis  
Mayhue, Robert  
Scaboro, William Floyd  
Spivey, Charles Benjamin, Jr.

### COLORED

Baldwin, Willie  
Chambers, Willie  
Davis, John Henry  
Fairley, Robert  
Goodman, Robert Floyd  
Graham, David Jasper  
McCall, Saul  
McIntosh, David  
McIntosh, Willie A.  
McIntyre, William Lucy  
McLean, John Lovis  
McNeill, Johnny  
McRae, Gilbert  
Morrison, Caesar Eugene  
Murphy, Wilbert  
Quick, James Ernest  
Rouse, Julius Bradshaw  
Smith, Edward

## Ginning Report

9,342 bales of cotton were ginned in Hoke county to October 18th, as compared with 10,061 on the same date last year, according to the Bureau of Census.

## Eagle Rank Given Three Scouts In Honor Court Here

Many Promotions Made At District Court Of Honor Friday Evening.

The Boy Scout court of honor for the Western District of the Cape Fear Council was conducted in Raeford on Friday evening, October 27. V. R. White, advancement chairman, was in charge of the court. C. M. Gaskins, field executive, directed the events of the evening.

The rank of Eagle Scout was awarded to two scouts from Raeford and one from Wagram. Hamer Leach and Alfred Cole, Jr. from Raeford and Williams Purcell from Wagram were the honored scouts.

The rank of Scout Life Guard was given to Bill Butler and Gramling McGill of troop 20 of Laurinburg.

The rank of Second Class Scout was awarded to: Bill Covington of Wagram, Earnest Broome of Laurel Hill and H. R. Hegwer, Mack Snipes, Eugene Snipes, George Howell, Curtis Rhye Ralph Fields, Henry Martin, Grady Chavis, Archie Williams and Alfred Bridges all of the East Laurinburg troop.

The rank of First Class Scout was awarded to: Paul Johnson, Bobby McNeill, Jimmy Sinclair, Joe Gullledge Jr., Buddy Blue and Milton Mann of the Raeford troop, Marshall Jones of the Maxton troop; Coleman Russell of the Wagram troop and Earl Bradley of the Laurel Hill troop.

The rank of Star Scout was awarded to: Don Cameron, Alton Clark, Lockley MacDonald, and Neill B. Sinclair of the Raeford troop; David Phillips, McKay Morgan, Angus Medlin, Williams Frostick, R. L. Watson and Dickie Hendricks of the Maxton troop, and Mitchell Rabil of the Wagram troop.

The rank of Life Scout was awarded to: Herbert McKeithan and Bobby Murray of the Raeford troop and John Hasty, Roland Seals and Mack Jernigan of the Maxton troop.

Merit badge awards were made to the following scouts: (Some of the scouts getting several different merit badges.) Troop 1, Raeford, Herbert McKeithan, Hamer Leach, Alfred Cole, Jr., George Freeman, Jimmy Conoly, Don Cameron, Neill B. Sinclair, Eugene Smith, Jimmy Woodhouse, Lockley MacDonald, Bobby Murray, William Freeman, Alton Clark, Buddy Blue, Milton Mann, Neill A. McNeill and Alan McGee, Jr.

Troop 39 from Maxton: Dickie Hendricks, McKay Morgan, Roland Seals, Mack Jernigan, David Phillips, Leitch Patterson, Angus Medlin, William Frostick and John Hasty.

Troop 50 from Wagram: Mitchell Rabil, Williams Purcell, and Jack Wooley.

Troop 52 from Laurel Hill: Bob McNeill, Ernest Meekings, Alex Barber, Alfred Caulder and Charles Smith.

There was a fine attendance of the boys from the different towns and a good many of the Raeford people were there on the occasion. The executive committee for the district met at the close of the court of honor. Mr. Gaskins announced that the Court of Honor would be held monthly from now on, and the next one will be in Maxton on November 24th.

Chairman V. C. Mason, announced the committee to handle the annual meeting of the western district to be held in December. The following committees will be responsible for the meeting. Program committee: L. B. Singleton, Tom Cameron and G. Y. Newton. Arrangement committee: W. C. Covington, E. H. Evans, and J. N. Gibson. Nominating committee: R. L. Sutherland, W. H. Hasty, and H. C. McLaughlin.

Mr. C. M. Gaskins gave a partial report of the survey in Laurinburg, which revealed that there were 30 boys who would like to have some form of Senior Scouting, and about 30 who would like to get into a Scout troop and something over a hundred boys who wanted to get in Cubbing. A similar survey will be made at the Raeford Mills.

## Shiloh To Serve Barbecue

On Friday, November 10, the ladies of Shiloh Church will serve supper, featuring barbecue and chicken salad plates, and cakes and candies for the benefit of the church. The supper hours are from 5 to 8 p. m. The church is located on the Aberdeen highway near the State Sanatorium.

WITH A 12TH AAF B-26 MARAUDER BOMBER GROUP—Cpl. Ray O. McArthur of Rt. 1, Hope Mills, N. C. sewed on his fourth gold overseas stripe recently. Overseas two years in the Mediterranean theater, Cpl. McArthur is in the transportation section of his 12th AAF squadron.

## Polls To Open At 6:30 A. M. Close At 6:30 P. M.

The polling places in all precincts in North Carolina will open at 6:30 a. m. and close at 6:30 p. m., it was stated here yesterday by Crawford L. Thomas, chairman of the Hoke County Board of Elections.

Mr. Thomas stated that these hours would give ample time to all persons employed at Fort Bragg and other military installations nearby to cast their ballots before they had to leave to get to their work.

## Club Women Asked Help Get Out Voters Tuesday

Calling upon the women of Hoke county to aid in getting out the voters on next Tuesday, November 7th, for the general election, Mrs. Arch K. Currie, president of the Raeford Woman's club, pointed out that this was a prime duty in the exercise of their citizenship.

It was pointed out that since so many men, who normally would be active in getting voters to the polls at this time are now serving with the armed forces, that many voters would probably be unable to get to the polling places unless the women took a much more active part in the election this year than usual.

Mrs. Currie stated that a recent action of the executive committee of the Federated Womens clubs of North Carolina had placed a great deal of stress on the Citizenship program of the club and the state president had called upon each club president to appoint a citizenship committee which will be expected to present at least one program per year before the local club. Mrs. Paul Dickson has been named chairman of the local committee and additional members are to be named, it was said.

## Hoke High Meets Rowland Here In First Grid Game

County School Offering First Football Team In Three Years.

The Hoke High football team plays its first game of the season here Friday afternoon, November 3, at 3 o'clock against Rowland High. The boys have been practicing with enthusiasm since school begun, and are now ready for their initial contest after a lay off of two years. The following boys have been working hard and will be in good condition for the game Friday: Ransom Baucum, Buddy Blue, Don Cameron, Ted Clark, Alfred Cole, Jimmy Conoly, George Freeman, Harold Gillis, Floyd Keith, A. J. Freeman, Herbert McKeithan, Malcolm McKeithan, William Niven, Robert Perry, Jimmy Sinclair, Jimmy Plummer, Harold Thomas, Jimmie Warner, Ed Whitely, Fred Yarborough, John Scott Poole, A. J. Lunday, Angelo Sarrentino, Joe Gullledge, Bobby Murray and William Clark.

The team will meet Fayetteville High on November 17.

## Auctioneer's Chant To Feature Sales Local Ingathering

Featuring the auctioneer's chant of Gene Maynard, popular tobacco auctioneer of Aberdeen, the Methodist Ingathering will be held at the Raeford armory here tonight, it was announced yesterday by T. B. Upchurch, Jr., who had just received word from Mr. Maynard that he would be present for the sale of the farm produce.

Mr. Upchurch states that a number of bales of cotton will be sold tonight, beginning at 7:30, and that strangers to tobacco land will have the opportunity of hearing the chant with which the natives are familiar, when at least one big pile of the golden weed will be offered for sale by Mr. Maynard.

Barbecue and chicken salad will be served at noon today as well as just before the auction this evening. The general public is invited to attend.

## The Ladies' Shop Perks Up

The Ladies' Shop has been re-painted inside, the display windows redecorated and new cabinets, show cases and mirrors added. Other improvements have been made and they have an attractive place to display their new line of fall merchandise.

## War Fund Over Subscribed As Drive Ends

Final Reports Of Townships Chairmen Expected To Show At Least \$6000 Raised.

The United War Fund quotas of Hoke county reached and passed the quota mark of \$5750 yesterday at noon, according to County Chairman Tommy Upchurch, who stated that the active campaign for funds had been concluded.

W. A. McDonald, treasurer of the Fund, reported that though the county was now over the top a number of solicitors and township chairmen had not yet made their final reports and that additional gifts were expected to bring the total to about \$6,000.

Mr. Upchurch stated that in no previous effort of this nature had he had such wholehearted cooperation as that given in the present drive. In the first three days of the campaign, before active solicitation was begun by the canvassers over \$1300 was contributed by firms and individuals who were made members of the "Early Bird Club." This gave the needful impetus to start the campaign off with speed that carried it through its three weeks duration and to a successful conclusion, stated Mr. Upchurch.

The committee expressed its appreciation of this wholehearted cooperation so willingly given by both canvassers and individuals in every section of the county and was highly pleased that every township and every unit assigned a quota reached and in most instances oversubscribed its quota.

### Negro Teachers And Children Raise \$641

In a county-wide drive among the negroes under the chairmanship of A. S. Gaston, principal of Upchurch High school, a total of \$641 was raised for the United War Fund of Hoke County. This amount was \$41 over the quota assigned the school. The 64 teachers of the 22 negro schools of the county served as the canvass committee under Chairman Gaston and quotas ranged from \$10 to \$200 per school. The amount raised equaled \$10 per teacher plus one dollar, with each school, its teachers, pupils and the churches and individuals of their 22 communities contributing its proportionate share.

## \$487 Realized At Hallowe'en Shows

The Hoke High gym was the scene of much rollicking and fun-making on Monday evening when over seven hundred joined together in celebrating Hallowe'en. Bingo, fishing, fortune-telling, cake walks, pitching pennies, costume parade, guessing beans, and a house of horrors offered entertainment to a gay, confetti-sprinkled group. The popularity contests in each school aroused much interest and friendly rivalry.

In the graded school John Patterson and Norma Lou Mace were crowned king and queen. The Hoke High King and Queen were Harold Gillis and Betty Barrington. Mark Smith, Jr., Katherine MacDonald, Belle Smith, and Lana Terrell won prizes for the most attractive costumes.

The following amounts were taken in by the various concessions:

Fishing, \$16.18; House of Horrors, 6.20; Fortune-telling, \$10.30; Cake Walk and Auction, \$31.80; Fishing Pennies, 22.01; Confection-selling, \$4.46. Popularity Contests: Graded school, \$114.30—High school, 193.47; Rogue Gallery, \$9.00; Guessing Beans, \$7.42; Entrance admissions, \$33.15; Refreshments, \$20.61; and Bingo, \$17.51.

The total amount taken in was \$487.41, but from this the Federal amusement tax must be subtracted. The amount is to be divided between the Hoke high and the Raeford Graded schools. The proceeds will be used by the Hoke High school for expanding the physical education program. The schools are pleased with the success of the carnival, and the wholehearted cooperation of the public is appreciated.

## Nets \$167

A large crowd attend the Hallowe'en carnival held at the Asheboro school Friday evening and \$167 was netted by the Parent-Teachers association. The funds will be used for the operation of the lunchroom of the school and to carry out other projects of the association in connection with the school's work.

## "13th" Deer Tale

Dr. R. A. Matheson says that up until Friday the 13th of October, deer hunters had had poor luck. But on that day they killed two deer. He said there were thirteen in the party and that they had thirteen dogs.