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## NEWS OF OUR MEN—WOMEN IN UNIFORM

S-2-c Malcolm Sessoms received his discharge from the navy at Norfolk this week after serving fifteen months in the Pacific.

E. M. 2-c Jimmy Baxley has been separated from the navy after 26 months duty in the Southwest Pacific. His wife, the former Miss Winifred Waddell, of Swanbourne, Australia, is expected to arrive in about two weeks.

Lewis McNeill, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. McNeill, has been assigned to the USS Albany in Newport, Rhode Island.

Seaman 1-c Edwin A. Johnson, who is on thirty day leave from the navy, is spending a few days with his aunt, Mrs. M. W. Ford, in New York City.

Pfc. George F. Watson, Jr., is on furlough from Newfoundland. He was called home because of the death of his father.

Col. Allen McGee was separated from the army at Fort Bragg last week. He was in the ETO for three and one-half years. Mrs. McGee and children of Winston-Salem met him in Raeford and stayed until Thursday. Mrs. McGee was formerly Miss Bennie Lee Upchurch.

## PTA Valentine Party Highly Successful

The Valentine party given at the Armory on Thursday, February 14, was most successful, according to reports received from the organization. There were many persons present and the financial returns were all that could be expected. The money received will be used to buy refrigerators for the school lunch-rooms.

The officers of the organization expressed their gratitude for the fine support the public gave the venture and were particularly grateful to the business firms who donated the prizes.

## POOLE'S MEDLEY

(By D. Scott Poole)

Careful driving would have saved the ninety thousand lives lost in highway accidents last year, and perhaps everyone would have reached their destination at a lower speed. And over ten million were badly injured. Drive slower.

This country was settled by people who tired of intolerance in the Old World. People want to worship God conscience dictates. We should give each one the right to enjoy the FREEDOMS we enjoy.

Jacky was charged with a heinous offense and it looked like a conviction so his lawyer put him on the stand to testify in his behalf. To find if he understood the nature of an oath the lawyer asked: "Jacky, do you know what will happen to you if you swear to a lie?" "Yessir, I go down, down, down, and burn long time." "That's right," said the lawyer, "and you know what will happen if you tell the truth?" "Yessir, we lose de case."

A man who was in the terrible battles in Europe told the writer a few days ago that those men, who claimed to be atheists, prayed like the others when they were in battle, but saw mighty little chance to live.

Nearly everybody drives too fast to do a thing toward not hitting an object in the road. They all, or most do drive like they do not care what they hit. Even in town they drive too fast.

The clothes of this day and time look much better than those of an early period, but I do not believe they are as durable. People dress better, but one reason for that is pressing clubs.

Say what you please, but if they keep on there will be no old women if the Beauty shops continue to make em look young. Day by day in every way, we are getting better and better.

I remember when there were no leather collars for the horses to wear while they worked, and the shuck collars often allowed sore shoulders. In those days men and boys wore paper collars that cost 25 cents a dozen.

Isn't it a terrible come off for a man to live through the great war, come home, and before he sees home and meets loved ones to be killed in a road accident. That is certainly hard luck if LUCK.

Not only are the strikes losing time but workmen are being laid off jobs the country over for want of materials. New York City has been

## Highway Men Meet Here With Commissioners

Work On First Priority Roads Begins Soon.

The Hoke County Board of Commissioners met at the court house Tuesday morning where they discussed plans for surfacing the county roads with Dr. H. W. Jordan, District Highway Commissioner, and L. E. Whitfield, District Highway Engineer.

The board and the visitors examined a map of the secondary roads of the county on which the roads to be surfaced were marked in different colors in order of the priority of their treatment. Those classed as first priority were the road from Duffie's station to the Robeson County line, the unopened portion of the Raeford-Rockfish road, and the road from Dundagrach to Mildraun school.

Mr. Jordan and Mr. Whitfield stated that project for resurfacing these roads had been approved and that work on them would begin when material and labor became available, which they estimated to be about sixty days.

## Tobacco Production Meeting Wednesday Night In Lumberton

There will be a tobacco production meeting in Lumberton at the Armory on Wednesday, February 27th at 8:00 P. M., reports County Agent A. S. Knowles. This will be the closest meeting of its kind to Hoke County tobacco farmers. Interested farmers are urged to group together and attend this meeting.

Dr. W. W. Garner, formerly chief of tobacco investigations Bureau of Plant Industry, U. S. D. A., will discuss Soil Management and Fertilization of tobacco. There will be other specialists on the program. This is a real opportunity to tobacco farmers of this section.

Valuable information can be obtained by attending.

## Bill Horner Here; May Be Candidate

W. E. (Bill) Horner, publisher of the Sanford Herald and Lee County's representative in the state legislature, was in Raeford last week calling on local democrats.

Mr. Horner, who has been Lee's representative for four regular and one special term in the General Assembly, is considering running for Congress and is sounding out opinion of Democrats throughout the 8th District.

shut up, and the people are left to freeze and starve just because men want a little more pay.

Our duty as shown us is to love God supremely, and to love our neighbor as ourselves. There are people who are living up to that who are freezing and starving. No man has a right to bring such on his fellow man.

RIGHT can be no manner of means warped into selfish gratification without totally ignoring principle of law and justice. Striking is enforcing one's desires without regard to the injury done to innocent bystanders.

Yes, strict justice should be accorded every member of the CIO and the AFL by impartial laws based on equity and justice can never be made the purveyor of benefit to me while it brings wreck and ruin to my neighbors.

One reason I believe in ceiling prices for farm produce is that I have seen too many farmers poking around without a cent in the world, "looking like their Heavenly Father had died and left them no legacy."

I find a many farmers opposed to ceiling prices, but they did not object to parity prices when Roosevelt, by that means, brought back prosperity. In 1929 cotton was bringing right good prices and stocks and bonds were high and going higher every day, but in less than twenty four hours all prices of everything tumbled so low the whole carton was "on the hog." I hope I will never see another depression.

It is not much wonder that the young are delinquent with so much obscenity now appearing in print and humorists mistaking vulgarity for wit, and even stories of the barest of living also appear in the public prints.

Two pretty girls met on the depot platform and put on an exhibition of kissing. "I sincerely object to such as that," said flagman No. 1. "Such as what?" asked flagman No. 2. "Women doing men's work" said flagman No. 1.

## Stock Of Quail Is Replenished

Quail have been released since the hunting season closed in the fourteenth district, consisting of Harnett, Cumberland, Robeson and Scotland counties, according to H. R. McLean, leader of the district. These birds raised by the State Game farm at Lakeview, were released in areas that afford ample food and water supply, in addition to good coverage, which should furnish bird hunters some good shooting next season.

It might be interesting to know that the game protectors of the State prosecuted and convicted 200 violators during January, for an all time high. District 14 put second only to District 18. McLean says Hoke lead the district with seven prosecutions for the month.

## Wildlife Club Meets; Hears Ross Stevens

The Hoke County Chapter of the North Carolina Federation of Wildlife Clubs had a meeting in the court house last Friday night and was addressed by Ross Stevens, of Raleigh, Executive Secretary of the federation.

In the absence of the president, J. A. McGoogan, the meeting was presided over by the vice president, R. H. Gatlin. The business part of the meeting was taken up with the recognition of new members and discussion of plans for a membership drive in Hoke County, where the club hopes to have 100 members. Present membership is 31.

Stevens, in his speech, reaffirmed the avowed intentions of the state federation which are to sponsor a new department of game and fish in North Carolina to be financed entirely from hunting and fishing licenses and to be run by persons who have a definite interest in the state's wildlife resources.

He also emphasized in his talk that his organization is having no part in the proposed game scarcity and shortened season proposal of the state department of conservation and development.

He further elaborated on the aims of the state's game and fish resources. He also discussed the need for education of the people in the state as to the needs of the state regarding the best methods of bringing this full development into being.

## Hospital Patient Thanks Schools

County Superintendent K. A. MacDonald received a letter recently from the soldier patient at the Moore General Hospital at Swannanoa who is occupying the bed sponsored by the Hoke schools in a war bond and stamp sale during the war. The letter is reproduced below.

Dear Folks: Just a few lines of appreciation for your efforts in raising enough money in Victory Bond and stamp sales with which to sponsor the hospital bed I am now occupying in Moore General Hospital here. It was a mighty fine way for you to show your interest in and support of the boys and girls in uniform, and I know I speak for every soldier who will use this bed in the future in saying that we appreciate what you have done.

If you are ever in this section of the state, hope you will drop in and visit a while with me so I can show you how well-invested is the money you have tied up in Victory bonds. Again thanks a lot. Your friend, William F. Jackson.

## Raeford Grammar School News

(By the Students)

On Friday the Primary grades enjoyed a program about Abraham Lincoln given by Mrs. Barnes' third Poems were recited by several pupils and songs were sung by the grade.

By Jane McKeithan and Fannette Gore.

On February 14th the Raeford Graded School was delighted to have Miss Alma Ferguson's sixth grade present a Valentine program entitled "Belated Valentine," telling the meaning of Valentine Day.

## Recorder Sentences 14 Defendants Tuesday Morning

Alcohol And Automobiles Figure In Most Cases.

In Recorder's court Tuesday morning fourteen defendants either pleaded guilty or were found guilty by Judge Henry McDiarmid, and, as usual, most offences had to do with liquor or automobiles or both.

Claris Addison, colored, of Aberdeen, paid the costs for violating the prohibition laws by having liquor open off his premises.

Vernon Tapp, also an Aberdeen colored man, paid \$10 and the costs for driving a car without driver's license.

Garfield Watkins, colored, paid the costs for driving a car without driver's license.

Fred R. Robinson, colored, of Southern Pines, was sentenced to 60 days on the roads, sentence to be suspended on payment of \$50 and the costs for carrying a concealed weapon.

David Thomas, colored, paid the costs for being drunk and disorderly and for violating the prohibition law.

Jimmie Lee Cloward, colored, went to the roads for four months for being drunk and disorderly, using profane and indecent language, and for assaulting a female.

Tom and O. C. Brunson, colored, each paid the costs for being drunk and disorderly and driving with no license, respectively.

Foster McNeill, colored man of Fayetteville, paid the costs for speeding.

John LeGrand, colored man, got a 6-month sentence suspended on payment of a \$25 fine and the costs for violating the prohibition law.

Glenn Fulk, white, paid \$50 and the costs for driving a car while under the influence of liquor and violating the prohibition law.

Dock Smith and Kennie Monroe, colored, pleaded guilty of violating the prohibition law. Smith paid the costs and Monroe had a 6-month sentence suspended on payment of \$25 and the costs.

David McKinnon, colored, had a 3-month sentence suspended on payment of \$25 and the costs for stealing some meat.

## Hoke 4-H Boys; Girls Will Broadcast; WPTF

Josephine Hall, county home demonstration agent, stated yesterday that she planned to take a group of 4-H club boys and girls from the Rockfish, community to Raleigh Saturday, February 23, for a radio broadcast.

Miss Hall said that the broadcast would be fifteen minutes in length and would go on the air at 12:45 P. M. Saturday.

The program will portray a meeting at the 4-H neighborhood leader's home where the planting and cultivation of vegetable gardens is being discussed.

The group includes Ray King, Pat Ritter, D. B. Parker, Herman Gillis, and Mrs. Herman Koonce.

The boys and girls at the Raeford School showed much interest in the Valentine tournament which was held in the armory last Thursday night. All of the decorations were designed made and arranged by students in Mrs. Frances B. Davis' sixth and seventh grades. Taffies which were used in the games were made by the boys and girls in Mrs. Roberts' 4th grade. Pupils from all grades brought butter sugar and eggs for the cakes which were used in the cake auction.

By Gloria Brinkley.

The Raeford Grammar School is cooperating with the Chaminade music club in collecting as many musical instruments and records as possible. These instruments and records will be sent to our wounded soldiers and veterans who are still in hospitals in the United States.

By Lynn Conk.

The boys and girls who came everyday during the last school month were rewarded with a musical party in the school auditorium on Valentine's day. Misses Mary Rae Freeman, Doris Keith and Nancy Lee Cole played "Golliwags Cake Waltz," "Clair De Lune" and "Faust Waltz" respectively. Mrs. R. H. Conk gave two humorous readings. Robert Gatlin talked about music and sang a solo "Tommy Lad." He then sang songs with the boys and girls. After the program Valentine candy was served.

By Iris Thomas.

## T. B. Upchurch, Inc. Open Seed Department

T. B. Upchurch, Inc., announce in this issue the opening of their seed department in the old Fuller stable across from the station platform in Raeford.

The business will be managed by H. W. McPhaul, Hoke county man, who was recently separated from the navy as a lieutenant after serving 3 years, mostly in the Pacific theatre. McPhaul graduated from North Carolina State College in 1939 and was a major in field crops. That year he won third prize in the crop judging contest at the National meet in Chicago.

The firm plans to feature certified seeds of all kinds, both wholesale and retail with a long term view of improving the crops in this county. They will grow many of the seed to be sold, including hybrid corn, and will handle leading varieties of Coker seed. Feed made by the Upchurch mill here will be handled, along with hay, baby chicks, etc.

## Will Hold Eye Clinic Here Next Tues. And Wed.

Mrs. C. H. Giles, superintendent of the Hoke County Welfare Department, stated yesterday that she had received definite information from Dr. Davidson of Duke university, that he would be here next Tuesday and Wednesday for the county-wide eye clinic being sponsored by the Kiwanis club.

The clinic will be held in the old rationing board offices in the county office building and will be open for white people on Tuesday, February 26, and for colored people on Wednesday, February 27.

Screening and certification of children for the clinic is still being conducted under the supervision of Mrs. E. B. Campbell, county health nurse. Where children are found to be in need of glasses and are unable to pay the flat fee of \$5, the Raeford Kiwanis club has agreed to give financial assistance. The clinic was arranged by Mrs. Giles through the State Commission for the blind.

## Four Wrecks In County Tuesday

No Serious Injuries.

Tuesday of this week was a rainy day and this apparently played some part in causing four wrecks on the roads of the county that day. Fortunately none of the persons involved were injured.

**Aberdeen Road**  
Two of the accidents happened at nearly the same time and place. At about eight A. M. on N. C. 211 seven miles west of Raeford the car of Lt. W. L. Geddes of Fort Bragg skidded, turned over and was practically demolished. A few minutes later he waved Alonzo Llewellyn of Norfolk, Va., to stop. Llewellyn applied his brakes and turned over also. His car was less seriously damaged than that of Geddes.

**Laurinburg Road**  
At nine-thirty A. M. Tuesday A. H. Anderson, transient going south toward New on U. S. 15A about one mile south of Raeford. There were no injuries except to the vehicle.

**Red Springs Road**  
At three-thirty P. M. Tuesday, in perhaps the most serious accident of the lot, a truck owned by Cecil McPhaul and operated by Roscoe McMillan sideswiped the Plymouth auto of Charlie Bruce on the bridge at Antioch. The Plymouth was seriously damaged.

All these wrecks were investigated by the State Highway Patrol and the sheriff's office. No arrests have been made in connection with any of them up to this time.

## LIBRARY NEWS

The Literature Department of the Woman's club has donated \$15 for memorial books for Hoke County boys who lost their lives in World War II. The books for this Memorial shelf are being selected and will be placed in the library in the near future.

Two best sellers, Brideshead Revisited, by Waugh, and Arch of Triumph, by Remarque, are now in the library.

The library has been enlarged, and the books for boys and girls are in a room recently added to the library quarters. The girls and boys are invited to come in and see the books. New titles are being added frequently.

Schedule: Monday through Saturday, 10 to 5:30.  
Closed from 12 to 1 for lunch.

## March Designated For Biggest Red Cross Drive Yet In Peacetime

3,000,000 Volunteers Plan Solicitations Across Nation.

March 1 heralds the opening of the first postwar fund campaign of the American Red Cross. Upwards of 3,000,000 volunteer solicitors will begin their canvases of every home and office in communities from coast to coast for \$100,000,000, the largest peacetime fund ever raised by the organization.

The month of March has been designated Red Cross Month by President, who, in his proclamation, called for the fullest support of the organization's campaign. Simultaneously Red Cross Chairman Basil O'Connor and civic leaders everywhere pointed to the need for continuing Red Cross services to disabled troops abroad and in this country, to those in hospital, and to veterans, as well as to families and dependents of all who have worn the uniform.

Mrs. H. A. Cameron, county chairman for the drive, entertained the chairmen from all the communities at an organization luncheon last week and has announced that the following organization will be at work making the canvass on March 1. First named in each community is chairman.

Ashmont—Mrs. D. H. Johnson, Mrs. T. C. Sinclair, D. L. Moss, Noah Brown, B. F. Hardister; Blue Springs—John Frank Chisholm, Manley Norton, Mrs. D. J. Dalton, Mrs. Fulford McMillan; Rockfish—Mrs. T. C. Jones, A. W. Wood, Mrs. P. C. English, Mrs. Herman Koonce; Little River—Mrs. Alberta Grant, Daniel McGill, L. D. Brooks, Cameron Johnson; Dundarrach—Mrs. Jessie Gibson; Allendale—Mrs. Arch McEachern, Mrs. Belle Cuffie, Mrs. Willie Mae Liles; Pine Forest—Mrs. Mary Helton, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Tapp, Mrs. J. F. Jordan, Mrs. J. A. Veasey; Sanatorium—Mrs. P. P. McCain, Mrs. Katie McCorkle, Miss Lora Hardesty, Mrs. F. L. Eubanks, R. A. Jones, John McCoy; Arabia—Mrs. Stanley Crawley; Antioch—Miss Margaret McPhaul, Mrs. J. M. Andrews, Miss Jean Hodgins, Mrs. W. E. Everleigh, Mrs. Sadie Watson, Mrs. Julian Burroughs; Wayside—John Parker, Mrs. Marshall Newton, Mrs. Katie Potter, Mrs. Mary Mott, Mrs. Henry Plummer; Raedeen—Mrs. Ernest Duncan, Jack Holland, Mrs. J. B. McLeod, Mrs. Henry Maxwell; Montrose—Mrs. C. W. Covington, Mrs. W. L. McFadyen, Mrs. Duke Marshall; Mrs. J. A. Webb, Sr.

Workers for the town of Raeford, of whom H. L. Gatlin, Jr., is chairman, will be announced in next week's paper.

## First Hat Goes In Political Ring Here

Harry A. Greene, erstwhile Raeford Fire Chief, and presently Hoke County coroner, fertilizer salesman, tobacco curer salesman, cotton gin man, expert fish fryer this week not the political bull rolling in this county by announcing in this issue of the News-Journal that he intended to be a candidate for nomination as the delegate from this county to the House of Representatives of North Carolina in the Democratic primary to be held May 25.

Rumor has it that Dr. G. W. Brown, the incumbent, will seek re-election but to date Greene is the only one to throw in his hat.

## New Pastor At Phillipi Church

Rev. I. H. Hemphill, of Richmond, Va., has accepted a call to be pastor of Phillipi Presbyterian church. Rev. Hemphill will preach at Phillipi as well as the Galatia and Hope Mills churches. Services at Phillipi will be on the second and fourth Sundays of each month and the public is invited to attend.

Rev. Hemphill was an army chaplain during the war and served overseas. He was recently separated from the service.

## Attends Evangelism School

Rev. W. L. Maness, pastor of the Raeford Methodist church, was in Robbins this week attending a school of evangelism. The school was conducted Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday for the Fayetteville district by District Superintendent W. L. Chegg of Fayetteville and District Director of Evangelism S. J. Barnes of Mt. Gilead.