

Town Water System Will Be Improved

The town board of commissioners in their monthly meeting last week closed a contract with the Boyd and Goforth company of Charlotte to make several improvements in the water lines in the town of Raeford.

The work will consist mainly of replacing some of the small water mains with six-inch ones which will improve pressure and output in the parts of town affected. The work will be done on four streets making a total of about thirty-five hundred feet to be replaced and the contract calls for the work to be done in the next forty days.

The construction company expects to begin work next week, and expect the job to be completed in about three weeks. The job is costing the town \$5280.

FMC Glee Club To Appear Here

Arrangements have been made for the Flora Macdonald College Glee club to present a sacred concert in the Presbyterian church Sunday evening, March 24th. This organization is composed of eighty voices and is under the direction of Dean Robert Reuter of the music department of the college.

Members of the Glee club will be guests of the Woman's Auxiliary of the church at supper at 5:30 at which time members of the church who have returned from active service in the armed forces will be entertained.

School News

By K. A. MacDonald

Outing For Teachers

Tuesday afternoon at 6:00 o'clock the Hoke County teachers held the last of their regular meetings. This was a social meeting, and a chicken stew was served at "Clyde's Pond." That, judging from the amount consumed, was enjoyed by everyone.

After supper, Miss Margaret McKenzie, president of the Hoke County unit of the NCEA, called the meeting to order for a business meeting of the unit. Ballots were distributed and a vote was taken on the state officers of NCEA. C. W. Phillips of Greensboro is unopposed for the presidency, Miss Cordelia Camp of West Carolina Teachers College and Claude Grigg, superintendent of the Albemarle City schools oppose each other for the vice-presidency.

After this ballot nominations were called for the local officers. Mrs. J. C. McLean was elected president, Miss Miriam Watson, vice-president, and Mrs. A. D. Gore, secretary. The new president will appoint the delegates to the annual state meeting that will be held in Asheville March 28-30.

At a principal's meeting held after the teacher's meeting it was decided not to have school on next Saturday on account of the poor attendance that was had in some of the schools. Also, it was decided not to have the "Skip Day" at the end of school as has been done for the past several years. This will cause the schools to close on May 31. The same day the schools closed last year.

Rockfish PTA To Meet

There will be a called meeting of the Rockfish P. T. A. on next Monday evening, March 18, for the purpose of electing officers for next year. Rev. H. L. Hamphill, pastor of Galatia church will be the speaker.

Rev. J. D. Whisnant, pastor of the Raeford Baptist church, held the chapel exercises at Hoke High on Wednesday at 1:10 P. M.

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REA Directors Execute \$190,000 Line Contract

700 More Families To Get Service

There was a special meeting of the board of directors of the Lumbee River Electric Membership Corporation at the corporation's office here last Friday night at which a contract for 230 miles of additional line in the corporation's area was executed. The new line will be fairly well scattered over the area served by the cooperative in the counties of Hoke, Scotland, Cumberland and Robeson and will give electrical service to approximately 700 more farm families who have not previously had it.

The contract, in the amount of \$190,000 was executed between the cooperative and the Cline Construction company of Raleigh. The Cline company was represented at the meeting along with T. F. Treadway of the Southern Engineering company of Atlanta, Ga. Treadway discussed with the directors the future development of the cooperative line in order to furnish electricity to every farmer in the area.

D. J. Dalton, manager of the cooperative, stated that his organization hopes to get construction on the new project started in the very near future, but added that due to material holdups it was impossible to give a definite date. Poles and transformers are the most critical items he added.

The following directors were present: C. A. Alford, Rowland, Marshall Newton, Hoke County, Mrs. Lucy Smith, Hoke County, J. R. Caddell, J. E. Morrison, R. F. Morris, all of Maxton, Lambert Lewis, Pembroke, J. McN. Gillis, Cumberland County, and C. L. Ballance, St. Pauls.

Announces Candidacy J. Benton Thomas

In this issue J. Benton Thomas, farmer, seed man and ginner of Raeford, announces that he will seek nomination as the Democratic candidate for the Hoke County seat in the General Assembly.

Harry Greene announced his candidacy for this office two weeks ago and Thomas, who has been chairman of the Hoke County Democratic Executive committee for some years, is the second.

Dr. G. W. Brown, the incumbent, has stated that he would be a candidate to succeed himself. Walter P. Baker, Raeford druggist who has been considering jumping into the race, stated yesterday that he would not do so.

Stolen Car Is Recovered Here

Last Saturday morning two young white boys from a training school at Rocky Mount left the school and stole the car of a Rocky Mount doctor at about nine-thirty.

The car was a 1941 Buick coach and the description was broadcast by the State Highway Patrol at once. At three P. M. State Patrolman Barnes noticed the car entering Raeford. He took charge of the car and occupants with no difficulty and they were all returned to Rocky Mount later that day.

Presbyterian Teachers Course Begins Sunday Afternoon

The leadership training class for Sunday School Teachers in the children's division will begin at the Red Springs Presbyterian church at 4:00 P. M. Sunday March 17 and will continue with night sessions Sunday and Monday at 7:30 P. M.

Wreck On 15-A Saturday Noon

At 12:30 P. M. last Saturday C. I. Quarles was approaching Raeford on 15-A when he started to pass a car on the hill near Bill's place. As luck would have it there was a car coming over the hill at the same time. This car and that of Quarles collided and wound up out in the field on the south side of the road.

Quarles was arrested and charged with violating the road laws and got a sentence of 30 days to be suspended on payment of the costs.

Large Number Of Cases Tried In Recorder's Court

Dundarrach Fracas Interesting Trial

In the trial of Annie Mae Smith, Jessie Lee Johnson, and Johnny Thomas, all colored of Dundarrach, last Tuesday morning in Recorder's court the testimony was well delivered, graphic and highly entertaining both for the defense and the prosecution. The defendants were each charged with assault with a deadly weapon in the case of a hand to hand battle which had taken place at Dundarrach between the defendants and two or three other colored people. Smith and Johnson were found guilty as charged and were sentenced to thirty days each to be suspended on payment of a \$10 fine and the costs. Thomas was found not guilty.

Willie Turner, colored, got a sixty-day sentence suspended on payment of the costs for having an improper chauffeur's license and speeding.

Herbert Little, colored, paid the costs for being drunk and disorderly.

Henry Hollingsworth, colored, paid the costs for assault with a deadly weapon.

Junius Jones, colored, was found guilty of manufacturing whiskey and beer illegally and was sentenced to eight months on the roads to be suspended on payment of \$25 and the costs.

Essie McKay, Indian, paid the costs for making home brew and the state took a nol pros on the same charge against Porter McKay.

Joshway Brown, colored, paid the costs for having improper brakes.

Arthur Ellerbe, colored, paid the costs for gambling and \$10 and the costs for assault with a deadly weapon. John McMillan also paid the costs for gambling.

Clarence Bethune, colored, paid the costs for speeding.

And, of all things, to wind up with the Recorder's this week is

Alex Campbell and Mildred McMillan, colored, paid the costs for F. & A.

Property For Sale At Maxton Airbase

The Laurinburg-Maxton, AAB, Maxton, recently declared temporarily inactive by the Army Air Forces, has announced the sale of surplus small lots at the base at 10:00 A. M., Monday, March 18, 1946.

The surplus property consists of small farm equipment, office equipment, electric saws, a house trailer—all of which is available for public inspection through March 15, 1946, between the hours of 8:30 A. M. and 4:30 P. M.

Sale will be made by informal sealed bids which will be opened at 10:00 March 18. Lots will be awarded to the highest bidder. Military personnel and civilians employed by the War Department are not eligible to purchase this equipment.

County Allotted 4454 Acres Tobacco This Year

Acresages Will Be Measured

To further strengthen compliance with the marketing quota program, all acresages of flue-cured tobacco grown on all farms in 1946 will be measured by AAA Committeemen or others working under supervision of committeemen, it was announced this week by T. D. Potter, chairman, Hoke county AAA committee.

"Due to the manpower shortage, the AAA found it necessary to discontinue measurement of all flue-cured acresages during the war, and this will be the first year since 1942 when all acresages will be measured," Mr. Potter said. "The system of reporting their individual acresages by farmers, themselves, and subsequent spot-checking was the best means of acreage determination during the war. However, a return to measurement of all acresages is essential in order to make the marketing quota program fully effective."

Flue-cured producers of Hoke county have been notified of 1946 acreage allotments for their farms. The county's total acreage allotment for 1946 will amount to approximately 4454.0 acres.

John D. Stubbs Found Dead In Car Saturday

Rockfish Man Victim Of Heart Attack

John D. Stubbs, Sr., 53-year old Rockfish man was found dead in his car about seventy-five yards west of the Davis bridge over Rockfish creek on the old wire road last Saturday night at approximately eleven-thirty o'clock by G. J. Kinlaw of Fayetteville.

In the car with Stubbs was his son, J. D. Stubbs, Jr., who was unaware that his father was not alive.

The car had been driven from the road some time before and was stuck where it could not move under its own power.

At the coroner's inquest Monday morning it was revealed by evidence that John Stubbs, Jr., and Sr. accompanied by Brown Stubbs and Troy Johnson had been driving about and that there had been some drinking. John Stubbs, Jr., was driving the car when it ran off the road.

The coroner's jury found that the accident of the car getting stuck had not been material in the death of the senior Stubbs and that his death had been due to a heart attack. This was borne out by expert opinions heard by the jury.

It appeared that none of the three who were with him knew of his death until they were told of it later.

Funeral services were conducted Monday afternoon at a Fayetteville funeral home by Rev. E. B. Booker. Burial followed at the McFadyen cemetery in Hoke county.

FARM BUREAU WILL MEET HERE TONIGHT

Lieutenant Governor L. Y. Ballentine will address members of the Hoke County Farm Bureau and the public at the annual meeting of the Bureau at the armory tonight.

The meeting will be at 8 o'clock and the farmers of this county have been invited to attend and join the organization, a group devoted to the general improvement of agriculture.

Officers of the Hoke County Bureau will be elected tonight.

Wrecks In Town Settled Amicably

There was a wreck last Saturday evening on Main Street two blocks north of the Aberdeen road and another one Sunday one block south of the first.

In the wreck Saturday Roscoe McMillan operating a truck belonging to F. C. McPhaul, drove into the automobile of Willie McDonald which was being driven by Willie Jones and which had entered into a turn in front of the truck.

The auto was considerably damaged and the truck not so much. The damages were settled among the parties concerned and no arrests were made.

On Sunday afternoon Lindo Sexton was making a left turn to the west from Main street at Walter Baker's house when he collided with the car of Clayton F. Hale, who was travelling South on Main. Both vehicles were seriously damaged but those involved settled it between themselves and there were no arrests.

Bobby Murray Is Made Eagle Scout

At the regular weekly meeting of the Raeford Kiwanis club here last Thursday night the program was devoted to the Boy Scouts, of which the Kiwanis club has for many years sponsored a troop here. The highlight of this program was the presentation of the badge of Eagle rank to Scout Bobby Murray, of the Raeford troop, son of Dr. and Mrs. R. L. Murray.

The program was conducted by Field Scout Executive J. Outley, of Fayetteville, chief Scout executive for the Cape Fear Area Council. Mr. Lee made a short talk on the history of scouting and presented a movie showing the great and lasting results of successful scouting.

Following the movie Mr. Lee, assisted by Eagle Scout Harold Walters of the Sea Scout Ship "Shaw," presented the Badge to Bobby Murray in an impressive ceremony.

C. B. Deane Is Candidate For Congress

Will Oppose W. E. Horner

C. B. Deane, Rockingham lawyer and insurance man who was defeated in the last round of a long hard primary fight for the seat eight years ago, announced this week that he would try again for the Democratic nomination to Congress from the Eighth North Carolina District. He will oppose W. E. Horner, Sanford publisher and member of the legislature, who is the only other candidate to announce himself thus far.

Deane stated in his announcement that Mr. Burgin's statement that he would not be a candidate to succeed himself came as a surprise and that he would not have been a candidate if Mr. Burgin had offered for reelection.

Major John Lang, Carthage man who has been giving serious thought to entering the race, has as yet made no public announcement, although it is rumored that he has decided not to do so.

Thief Makes Three Trips To Fowlhouse

Last Friday Mrs. Jesse Gibson of Dundarrach was the possessor of 190 baby chickens about ten days old. Sometime that night a thief entered her brooder house and made off with 165 of them. The next night 18 disappeared and on Sunday night the remainder stolen. At last reports the thief, one or four legged, had not been apprehended.

American Legion Post Has Monthly Supper Meeting

Information Released On Legion Scholarships

The Ellis Williamson Post of the American Legion held its regular monthly supper and meeting at the Armory last Monday night with Post Commander W. L. Poole presiding.

Following the meal there was a business meeting in which the various activities of the post were discussed and definite plans for devoting the maximum effort to each activity were made.

The appointment of a committee to handle applications and make nominations for the awarding of scholarships to orphans of veterans was announced. This committee consists of R. B. Lewis, C. E. Upchurch, Jr., Younger Snead, Ralph Plummer and Graham Clark.

Any son or daughter of a deceased veteran of World War I or II is eligible for a scholarship, irrespective of the date of the death of the father. Factors which will be considered in choosing the recipients of the scholarships are financial need, and outstanding ability and performance. They will be awarded on a basis of two from each area and five from the United States at large. For further particulars on scholarships those interested should see members of the above named committee.

On the recommendation of the athletic committee the post decided to make the high school Invitational Basketball tournament an annual affair. The post also decided to promote and sponsor an annual tournament for boys and girls of grammar schools.

A committee was appointed to make arrangements for a baseball school here next summer and it was announced that the Atlanta club of the Southern League had shown some interest in assisting with this school.

It was announced that the Legion had sponsored an oratorical contest at the high school this week.



MAM 2-c Malcolm McNeill was discharged from the navy at Charleston, S. C. last Saturday after three years service, fifteen months overseas.

Mrs. Robert McDonald and sons of Thomasville, N. C. spent several days last week with Mrs. N. A. McDonald at Timberland while Major McDonald was being separated from the service at Fort Bragg. He had just returned from 10 months in Japan.

Major Richard Burkhardt has been separated from the service at Camp Atterbury, Ind. Major Burkhardt, who is the husband of the former Miss Lucille McNeill of this county, has recently returned from India.

Lt. Tom McLaughlin, who has been at home on leave for the past six weeks, left Monday for Fort McClellan, Ala.

S 1-c Joe Upchurch of the Portsmouth Navy Yard, USS Champlain, arrived Wednesday to spend a week with his parents.

Bob Covington Will Work In Charlotte

In Monday's Charlotte Observer was the news that Bob Covington has recently been appointed promotion manager of radio station WBT, CBS station in Charlotte.