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FARM NOTES

By A. S. Knowles

Small Grain Tour

A small grain inspection tour will be made by Hoke County farmers to Coker Pedigreed Seed company's farm in Hartsville, S. C. on Wednesday, May 22. All farmers interested in making the trip are asked to meet at the county agent's office at 8 A. M. on above date. We will leave Raeford at 8:15 and arrive in Hartsville at 10:00 A. M. Meeting at the county agent's office will afford an opportunity to group together to conserve travel. During the war years, several new disease showed up in wheat, oats, and barley. The Coker Seed company is constantly improving varieties and producing disease resistant strains.

Small Grain Meeting

A small grain inspection meeting will be held Monday May 20, at 2:00 P. M. at the official variety tests on the T. B. Upchurch farm located three miles from Raeford on the Lumber Bridge highway. These tests include several varieties of wheat, oats, and barley and are supervised by the North Carolina Crop Improvement association. The varieties are grown under the same kind of conditions and performance records kept by the Crop Improvement association. The purpose of the tests are to determine the best small grain varieties for farmers to grow in this section of North Carolina.

Dr. R. P. Moore, in charge of the tests, will be present to discuss the various production problems. Farmers interested in growing small grain should attend and get first hand information about proper varieties, fertilizer requirements, and cultural methods.

Plant More Gardens

The food situation is growing worse throughout the world. We should conserve our basic foods. Secretary of Agriculture, Anderson, says: "There is more need for victory gardens in this first year of peace than there was in any year of the war. Victory gardens afford one of the best ways to prevent inflation of food prices out of all reason and to help hold down the cost of living while demand for food is at all time high," says John W. Snyder, Director of War Mobilization and Reconversion. Growing a garden is a profitable business any year. It pays in health dividends.

Conserve Nitrogen

Nitrate of soda and other forms of nitrogen should be conserved and used on crops where the greatest returns can be expected. Food and feed crops should get consideration.

DEANE HERE

C. B. Deane, Rockingham lawyer, who is a candidate for congress in the Democratic primary of May 25, was a Raeford visitor in the interest of his candidacy last week.

Joseph Daniels, Angus Macdonald, and Carl Goerch had lunche here Tuesday.

COURT

RECORDER DISPOSES OF DOZEN CASES TUESDAY

In spite of a long impassioned plea from the defense counsel Judge Henry McDiarmid found James Wilkerson and Glenn Fulk guilty as charged Tuesday morning. Both are local white men. Wilkerson was sentenced to 60 days to be suspended on payment of the costs and a \$50 fine. He gave notice of appeal. Fulk got his sentence of 30 days for being drunk and disorderly suspended when he paid the costs.

The case against Blanche Peterson, alias Blanche Gant, was called and defendant failed to appear. She is a white woman of Cleveland county and was charged with larceny of money and clothing in Raeford. The judge ordered the bond of \$100 to be forfeited and \$30 of it paid to the prosecuting witness for the stolen money and clothing, the court costs in the case to be paid, and the remainder to go to the school fund.

John Robeson, colored, paid the costs for speeding and Dan C. Leach, also colored, paid the costs for assault with a deadly weapon.

John McNair, colored, paid the costs for driving with improper brakes.

Prentiss Williams, colored, was charged with the larceny of a hog. Sentence of 90 day was suspended on payment of the costs and on condition that he pay for the hog and behave himself for two years.

Mary E. McMillan and Willie A. Hill, both colored, were called and failed to appear on charges of violating the prohibition law. Each was under bond of \$20 which was forfeited.

John L. McNeill, colored, of Cumberland county, was sentenced to 90 days, suspended on payment of \$50 and the costs.

Bertha Lamac, colored, paid the costs in two cases for violating the prohibition laws and being drunk and disorderly.

William Barton, Indian, got a 90-day sentence suspended on payment of \$25 and costs.

Softball League Is Organized

At a meeting of interested players, managers and sponsors of softball at the courthouse Tuesday night the group voted to operate the league this summer with games at Pasture park as they were when the league previously ran.

It was decided that more interest would be taken if games were played at night and plans were made to light the field. Money is being raised this week for the lighting, with contributions being accepted by Clyde Upchurch, Jr., from firms, individuals, politicians and others.

Teams in the league will be sponsored by the same business firms which did so in the pre-war league and there will be six teams entered.

RECRUITING SGT. HERE WEDNESDAYS

Sgt. Arthur Thomas of the Army Recruiting station at Rockingham is now spending each Wednesday at the courthouse in Raeford where he signs men up for enlistment or reenlistment.

Sgt. Thomas also is prepared to answer questions on the G. I. Bill of Rights and on the other benefits concurrent to enlistment in the Army, including the much advertised college courses the army is offering. The sergeant is at the courthouse from 9:30 A. M. to 4:00 P. M. each Wednesday.

JANE PRATT

NEXT REPRESENTATIVE IS COUNTY VISITOR MONDAY

This county was honored Monday by a visit from a distinguished former resident, Miss Jane Pratt, who was recently nominated by the Democratic congressional executive committee of the Eighth district as the party's nominee to succeed the late W. O. Burgin.

Voters of the district will select Miss Pratt as their representative and North Carolina's first congresswoman in a special election to be held coincident with the Democratic primary on May 25. She is opposed by a republican candidate from Lexington, but is expected to be the victor without difficulty.

Miss Pratt is spending this week in the district, starting with Hoke County on Monday and going to Moore the next day. She expects to wind up in Davidson County, the place of her formal residence, on Saturday where she will register to vote in the primary and the general and special elections.

While here she called on as many old friends as her schedule would permit, made a short talk to others who gathered at the courthouse, and visited the county commissioners in session.

THEFT

STOLEN CAR QUICKLY RECOVERED

Last Saturday afternoon State Highway Patrolman Barnes and officers of the sheriff's office were in the patrolman's car in the vicinity of the McDonald Esso station here. At precisely 4:18 P. M. they heard over the radio that a car had been stolen in Red Springs at 4:10. As they heard its description the car came from Main street into the Fayetteville road at a great rate of speed and passed them.

Seeing that the officers were giving chase the fugitive turned left from the highway and the officers chased him through and around several blocks, finally forcing him to stop near the Mann residence.

The driver, who was Eldridge E. Fowler, was a young white man of Erwin, N. C. He, along with the auto, was returned to the Robeson county authorities for disposition.

REGISTRATION BOOKS OPEN THROUGH MAY 18

W. L. Poole, chairman of the Hoke County board of elections, called the attention of all persons eligible to vote in the forthcoming primary and general and special elections to the fact that registration books would be open at the voting places on Saturday, May 11, and Saturday, May 18. May 18, he said, would be the last day on which persons may be registered to cast their votes in these coming elections.

Everyone was urged to register and vote in the Democratic primary May 25.

CELEBRATION

FLORA MACDONALD IS HONORED AT COLLEGE TUESDAY

The spirit of 18th century Scotland dominated the town of Red Springs Tuesday as Flora Macdonald College in its Semicentennial celebration paid tribute to the Scottish heroine from whom it took its name.

The festivities began in the afternoon with a concert by the Kilie Band of York, Pa. The concert was witnessed by an estimated 5,000 persons.

The principal event of the anniversary program was an address Tuesday afternoon by Angus L. Macdonald, premier of Nova Scotia and wartime minister of the Canadian navy. Macdonald was introduced by Josephus Daniels, former secretary of the navy and ambassador to Mexico, who is publisher of the News and Observer.

The celebration was concluded Tuesday night by the presentation in the college's woodland theatre of Flora Macdonald, Preserver of Prince Charles, a symphonic drama written for the occasion by Clare Johnson Marley of Cary and Chapel Hill.

Greene Would Let High Man Win

Harry A. Greene, candidate for Hoke county's seat in the North Carolina general assembly, asked this newspaper to announce to the public and to his opponents that he would be willing to let the high man in the primary May 25 be the winner. Others seeking the nomination are J. Benton Thomas and Dr. G. W. Brown, incumbent.

Greene stated that as there was no other contest which could cause a second primary in this county it would save the county considerable expense if the possibility in this one were obviated. He said that if other candidates would agree to the same he would promise to withdraw in favor of the high man in the primary May 25.

AMERICAN LEGION TO MEET MONDAY

Officers of the local post of the American Legion wish to call to the attention of all members the fact that the regular monthly meeting will be held at the armory here next Monday night and that the yearly election of officers will be held at this meeting.

BASEBALL

HOKE WINS OVER ROCKINGHAM NINE LOSES TO EMI

By Jerry Roberts

Raeford high last Monday defeated the strong Rockingham American vets in a well played game, 10-5. Jimmy Warner, star Hoke hurler, received credit for the win, for his sixth straight triumph, although, he was relieved in the sixth inning by "Speed" McKeithan who whiffed seven of the next nine batters to face him.

The win was the second over the Vets, the score of the first game being 7-3. Parnell was the losing pitcher for Rockingham, being relieved by Covington in the seventh. Rockingham gathered only three hits off the combined pitching of Warner and McKeithan.

Raeford banged out seven hits for the day, McKeithan being the leading hitter with 2 for 3 times at bat. Freeman, star right fielder for the Hoke team, got two hits for four, to follow up his fielding for the day.

"Speed" McKeithan, stellar pitcher and infielder, drove a tremendous ball into right field with Poole and Clark aboard in the 4th—but he was called out on a decision from the base umpire after he had circled the bases with the two men scoring in front of him.

Edwards Military Institute defeated the locals on Tuesday afternoon by the 6-4 count, in an overtime game that went 13 innings. Raeford had many scoring opportunities but failed to cash in after they had tied up the game in the ninth and Freeman was thrown out at the plate on a throw from first in the 11th inning.

McKeithan appeared tired from his relief role on Monday and gave up 18 hits but kept them well scattered and pitched well with men on bases but ragged support and Dodger base running kept the team from winning.

Raeford plays EMI at Salemburg on Friday afternoon. The season's record now stands at 10 wins against 3 defeats. Games for the next week are pending with Robbins and Dunn. Raeford will enter the tournament to be sponsored by the American Legion the next week.

PAVING

MAYOR CALLS FOR EXPRESSION OF DESIRES

In an advertisement in this issue entitled "Paving Notice", Neill McFadyen, mayor of the town of Raeford invites all property owners in the town who desire that the street or streets adjacent to their property be paved to come to the town hall and sign a paper asking that this work be done and asking to be assessed for it.

The mayor further states that if the project is well supported and the Town board approves it there will be an election in which the citizens will vote on a bond issue to finance the project.

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SCHOOL NEWS

By K. A. MacDonald

"Here Comes Charlie"

The play given by the senior class of Hoke High last Friday evening was a great success, both from a production and a financial standpoint.

The casting was well done to begin with and students who took part fitted into the parts well. The coaching was well done. All actors entered into the spirit of the play and all knew their lines well. It would be hard to point out any particular star, all did so well.

The play, "Here Comes Charlie," was also well chosen. Miss Watson, the coach, Daniel Baker, who had charge of the scenery, and all the players deserve the greatest praise.

The cast included Kathleen Cothran, Ted Clark, Helen King, Glenn Maxwell, Franklin McNeill, Mildred Sinclair, William Clark, Mary Raye Freeman, Edith Black, and Hamer Leach.

Rockfish Exercises Monday

On Monday night, May 13, at 8:00 o'clock the Rockfish school will present its closing exercises in the school auditorium. The exercises will be in two parts. First, piano by the pupils of Mrs. Bostic and Mrs. Capps. Second, operetta, "If I Were a Queen." The operetta will be in two acts and will include practically all of the student body. Costumes will be colorful and the music catchy. Pupils and teachers have worked hard on the production and a treat is in store for all who attend.

PTA Meeting Today

The Hoke-Raeford PTA will hold its regular monthly meeting today at 3:30 at the Raeford Graded school building. Mrs. B. B. Cole, president, will be in charge.

Graham To Address UDC

The U. D. C. will give a Memorial Day program at Hoke high auditorium on Friday, May 10, at 10:00 A. M.

Dr. H. Tucker Graham of Red Springs will be the principal speaker and will speak on the "Life of Stonewall Jackson." All interested are invited to attend.

Hold Record Clinic

The pre-school clinic was held at the Raeford Graded school yesterday. The largest number of pre-school children were examined that have been examined in a number of years.

Our baseball club under the leadership of Coach Jerry Roberts has been doing well lately. As this is written, the boys have won 9 and lost 2 games. We think this is a splendid record and think Coach Roberts should be congratulated. However, they would rather have attendance at the games than congratulations. Lets go out and see them play.

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Education was postponed until later in the month and will be held on call of the chairman.

On Wednesday the Raeford Music club put on a special musical program at Hoke High in honor of National music week. This program was very much appreciated by faculty and student body.