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SCHOOL NEWS

By K. A. MacDonald

Commencement

The commencement schedule is given below. We suggest you have it for reference.

Friday, May 17, 8:15 P. M., Mrs. Stuart's piano recital; Friday, May 24, 8:15 P. M., Senior class day exercises; Sunday, May 26, 11:00 A. M., Baccalaureate sermon; Thursday, May 30, 10:00 A. M., 7th grade exercises; Friday, May 31, 8:30 P. M., Graduation exercises.

On yesterday the last county-wide colored teachers meeting was held. Plans were made for the closing of the schools the last of the month.

Four Teachers Resign

Last week the Raeford school committee held its meeting and re-elected the teachers for 1946-47. Since that time the following teachers have handed in their resignations: W. N. Rhyne, Mrs. Jason Barnes, Miss Lillian Johnson, and Miss Margaret Register. It is regretted that these teachers are leaving us but we wish them the best of success in their new ventures.

Exhibit at Upchurch

Tomorrow there will be an exhibit at Upchurch school. This exhibit is being put on by the vocational departments of the Upchurch school in conjunction with the academic departments of the school and about 10 of the country schools. The exhibit will be well worth visiting. Both colored and white friends are invited to attend.

Food Being Saved

Reports coming in from the various schools on the food saving and production campaign are very encouraging. Especially good reports have come in since the last writing from Bowmore, Buffalo and Upchurch schools.

Rev. and Mrs. J. W. Mann went to the Antioch school on May 10. Mr. Mann talked to the students on Memorial day and Mrs. Mann made a talk to them on Mother's Day. Pupils and teachers appreciated and enjoyed the talks very much.

The Lone Star quartet will be at the Rockfish school on the evening of May 20 at 8:00 o'clock. Proceeds from the entertainment will go to the lunchroom.

Mrs. Thomas McLaughlin, representing the Chaminade music club, visited the Raeford graded school on last Friday and assisted with the music as part of the National music week celebration.

The Mildouson school committee had its meeting last week and re-elected the teachers for another year.

COLE IS HORNER'S MANAGER IN HOKE

Alfred Cole, erstwhile member of the Army now engaged in the service station business here as well as being sports promoter for the local American Legion post, has asked this newspaper to announce to the public that he is in politics as well. Cole states that he is the Hoke County campaign manager for Bill Horner, Sanford publisher who seeks the Democratic nomination to Congress from the eighth district.

REA

COOP GETS \$410,000
FOR 235 MILES
NEW LINE

The local REA Cooperative has received \$410,000 to finance the construction of its "C" project lines consisting of 235 miles of rural power lines in the counties of Hoke, Robeson, Scotland and Cumberland. C. A. Alford, President of the Cooperative, announced this week.

According to Mr. Alford this additional mileage will be built by amendment to present contract or by a new bid as soon as materials can be obtained for construction.

Contract was let to F. D. Cline Construction Company for the construction of 230 miles of line. Construction of this 230 miles is progressing very slowly due to the scarcity of materials, namely: transformers, poles, and conductor.

In 1940 the Cooperative received its first loan from Rural Electrification Administration of \$428,000 for the construction of 475 miles of rural power lines. These lines were energized in April and May 1941 with 1200 members receiving electric power. Today the system has 535 miles of energized lines and is serving 1700 members.

To finance its program to date the Cooperative has received a total of \$1,148,000.00 in REA loans to be repaid over a period of 35 years at two per cent interest.

A total of \$65,261.79 has been paid in principal and interest on the loan, \$32,386.79 of this being repaid on principal in advance of due dates.

Mr. Alford stated that within the next few years electricity will be made available to every rural farm home.

BROWN PUBLISHES PLATFORM

Dr. G. W. Brown, incumbent representative from Hoke County to the North Carolina legislature who is seeking renomination in the primary May 25, is setting forth his reasons for seeking the nomination in a paid political advertisement in this issue.

In his ad Dr. Brown states his record and his views on activities pending before the next Legislature. He also states that he favors an agreement among the candidates for the office that they withdraw after the first primary in favor of the high man as was suggested last week by Harry Greene.

CHAUFFEUR'S LICENSES

Information released this week by the local representative of the Highway safety division of the State Highway Commission was to the effect that all persons who expect to apply for new or renewal licenses as chauffeurs should do so as early as possible.

A license examiner is at the courthouse each Tuesday for the purpose of issuing driver's licenses of all kinds and he stated this week that the time for getting new chauffeur's licenses for the 1946-47 period would expire June 30 and that all those desiring them should apply early.

NEW RFD ROUTE STARTS TODAY

Lacy F. Clark, Raeford Postmaster, announced yesterday that effective today all mail addressed and delivered at Timberland, R-1, would be delivered from the Raeford post office. He stated that the new Raeford Route would be Route 3.

Clark could not give details as to if or when the Timberland post office would be closed but did state that all RFD mail formerly delivered from that post office would go out of the Raeford post office starting today.

DEATHS

MRS. DONELLA CURRIE

Mrs. Donella Currie, widow of the late W. N. Currie, passed away early Monday at her home in Scotland county after a long illness. She was 74 years of age.

Mrs. Currie is survived by five sons, and two daughters, and two sisters. Among her daughters are Mrs. Eli Shankle and Mrs. G. C. Lytle, both of this county.

Funeral services were conducted from the home Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock by Rev. G. F. Kirkpatrick of Maxton.

MRS. D. T. HINE

Mrs. D. T. Hine, resident of Winston Salem, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. C. A. Mosley, in Louisville, Ky., at 9:20 A. M. Monday. She had been critically ill since the last of January.

Funeral services were conducted Wednesday afternoon in Winston Salem and burial was in Bethabara cemetery there.

Surviving are four daughters, four sons, and eleven grandchildren. Among her sons is H. T. Hine, of the Dundarrach Community.

COTTON PRESS WRITES UP J. BENTON THOMAS

In a recent issue the "Cotton Press," trade magazine of the cotton seed crushing industry published in Dallas, Texas, carried a write-up on J. Benton Thomas and his imminent retirement from the oil milling business. The writeup is quoted below.

"After thirty years of active oil milling, J. Benton Thomas will retire at the end of the crushing season to devote his time to his other interests, mostly farming.

He has been connected with the Hoke Oil and Fertilizer Co. since 1917. He has been sec-treas. and manager of the company since 1920. During this time the mill has grown from a small two-press mill to a modern eight-press mill.

Always active in civic affairs, he has served on the school board, town alderman, Red Cross and War Relief committees. During the war he served four years on the county rationing board. For twelve years he was chairman of the Hoke county Democratic executive committee.

He received his education at the Raeford schools, the University of North Carolina, and King's business college. He is: past president

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COURT

RECORDER HAS SHORT
SESSION TUESDAY
MORNING

Paul Hunt, itinerant white textile worker, was ordered held under a \$1000 bond for Superior court by Judge Henry McDiarmid Tuesday in recorder's court. Hunt was charged with robbery with firearms of a Fayetteville taxicab driver in the county on the night of May 7. The driver was M. L. Levy who is from Fayetteville and who says he was robbed at the point of a gun by three men who took his cab from him and left him a foot in the country. The other two alleged robbers have not been apprehended. The cab was later found parked in Fayetteville.

Russell Parker, colored, posted a \$25 bond and failed to appear for trial on charges of careless and reckless driving and failing to stop at a stop sign. Bond was forfeited, the costs were paid and the balance was paid into the school fund.

Joe McArthur and Dan Cherry, colored men of Little River township, were charged with violating the prohibition laws by operating a whisky still. Both pleaded guilty and paid fines of \$25 and the costs each.

Roger J. Cobb paid the costs for driving without driver's license.

Paul M. Maxwell and Ed-die Andrews, colored, each paid the costs for being drunk and disorderly.

James H. McGill, colored, got a 90-day sentence suspended on payment of a fine of \$50 and the costs for driving drunk.

W. D. BROWN ILL

W. D. Brown, manager of the Raeford Hardware Co., underwent a spinal operation at Duke hospital Wednesday of last week. The operation was apparently successful and he is improving although his father, Dr. G. W. Brown, stated yesterday that it was too early to determine definite results.

CANNED FOOD COLLECTION

Last week's News-Journal announced that the Home Demonstration Club members of the county were collecting tin cans of food to be sent to the needy in war ravaged lands. In order to help relieve suffering and prevent as much starvation as possible, Americans have been asked to share their food. "The Collection is not confined to contributions from the club women," says Josephine Hall, Home Demonstration Agent. Any individual or group who wishes to help in the drive is urged to do so. Tin cans of meat, fruit, vegetables, or milk may be brought to Miss Hall's office in the next several days. From there the food will be sent to the Overseas Relief Headquarters in New York City and then to the countries where it is needed.

Rayon prices, which may drop to around 22 cents per pound within the year, are virtually certain to force a comparable reduction in cotton prices.

KIWANIANS HAVE MUSICAL PROGRAM

As part of the celebration of National music week last week the Raeford Kiwanis club had a musical program at its regular meeting on Thursday night.

The program featured group singing, songs by a trio from the Chaminade music club, and vocal and instrumental solos. It was informally handled and was greatly enjoyed by all present.

Procedure For Farm Building

Under the Veteran's Housing Program designed primarily to furnish housing for veterans, restrictions have been placed on the construction of buildings costing more than \$1,000 and all dwellings costing more than \$400. T. D. Potter, chairman of the Hoke County AAA Committee, said here today in explaining that the main objective of the restriction at this time is to be low-cost living units built as fast as possible.

"Applications for the construction of all farm buildings in Hoke County should be filed at the local AAA office," Mr. Potter said, "and the final approval of the applications rests with the State AAA Committee in Raleigh."

"Data such as materials needed, total cost of all new materials, labor costs, and the necessity for the building will be requested," he explained.

The AAA chairman pointed out that approval of the proposed construction will be based on whether it is essential to increasing or maintaining production of food on the farm; whether present facilities on the farm are being utilized to maximum capacity; and whether the proposed construction will be fully utilized upon completion.

A copy of the approved application will be returned to the applicant accompanied by a placard to be posted on the construction site. In the case of farm dwellings, priority ratings for the purchase of needed materials may also be issued by the State AAA Committee.

The County and State AAA Committees have the final approval of all farm construction up to \$10,000 for a single dwelling; \$17,000 for a double family dwelling and \$50,000 for barns and other constructions.

G. T. Scott, chairman, State AAA Committee, reported that approximately 300 applications have already been received in the State Office and are now being processed as rapidly as possible.

DR. JORDAN OUT

Lieut. Julius F. Jordan has been separated from the Dental Corps of the U. S. Navy after 20 months service in Guam and Hawaii. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Jordan of Timberland and expects to practice dentistry here.

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BASEBALL

EIGHT HIGH SCHOOLS
TO PLAY HERE
NEXT WEEK

The American Legion sponsored high school baseball tournament is scheduled to get under way at 2:30 P. M. next Tuesday, with the opening game being played between the schools of Raeford and Aberdeen.

The tournament is an invitational affair, the eight participating teams having been invited by the local veterans organization. It will consist of seven games and will last four days. Immediately following the Raeford-Aberdeen game Bennettsville will play Lumberton. On Wednesday afternoon Rockingham and Red Springs will play the opener and the second game will be between McColl and Fayetteville.

Semifinal games will be played Thursday, with the first game being between the winners of Tuesday's games and the second between the winners of Wednesday's. The final game for the tournament championship will be played at 3:30 o'clock Friday afternoon between the winners of Thursday's games.

According to Legion officials indications from advance ticket sales are that the games will be well attended. Tournament tickets for all seven games were placed on sale by Legion members here this week. These are being sold at a considerable reduction from the gate prices for each game.

Impartial officials are being selected by the athletic committee of the organization, as well as a committee to select the best players of the tournament. According to the committee, several scouts from organized baseball are expected to attend the games.

FARM NOTES

By A. S. Knowles

Cotton farmers should not chop out the stand too thinly. Leave two to four stalks every eight to twelve inches. Higher yields can be made by following this plan. Don't forget the five acre cotton contest. File applications by July 1.

Spray pecan trees with bordeaux mixture to control scab and mildew.

Small Grain Meeting

Don't forget the small grain meeting at T. B. Upchurch Farm on Monday, May 20, at 2:00 P. M. The small grain tour of Coker's Pedigreed Seed Farm will be held on Wednesday, May 22. Those making the trip will leave Raeford at 8:00 A. M., and arrive in Hartsville, S. C. at 10:00 A. M.

Now that warm weather is here and most chicks are six to ten weeks old, coccidiosis, one of the most dangerous poultry diseases, may become prevalent. The disease is spread by contamination of food, water, and soil. The best way to prevent this disease is to keep

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