

MONEY FOR VETS

Veterans who wish to apply for the money they have coming under the recently passed bill authorizing terminal leave pay for enlisted men may obtain blanks and assistance in filling them out at the Hoke county sheriff's office. Miss Marion Maxwell is doing this work free of charge for the veterans and Miss Clara Mae Gibson at the Hoke Auto company will notarize the forms free also.

BOY SCOUTS ATTEND MEETING IN ILLINOIS

Five Boy Scouts of the Cape Fear area left Sunday for Chanute Field, Illinois to attend a meeting of the Order of the Arrow, Boy Scout secret fraternity. Among those were Bobby Murray and Lauchlin MacDonald of Raeford who are charter members of the area chapter of the honorary select camping fraternity of the Boy Scouts.

MISS PRATT HERE

Miss Jane Pratt, Eighth district representative to the recently adjourned 79th congress and formerly of Raeford, visited friends here last Friday.

SCHOOL NEWS

By K. A. MacDonald

Mrs. Lela McKeithan McDowell has been elected principal of the Rockfish school and will take up her duties this week.

Mrs. McDowell is a graduate of Appalachian state teachers college at Boone and has done all of her teaching in Wayne county. She comes highly recommended and is very popular in the Rockfish community.

Principals To Meet Monday

The principals of the county will meet in the office of the superintendent on Monday afternoon at 3:30 to make final plans for the opening of school on Thursday, September 5.

Ashmont, Mildouson, and Rockfish schools will open at 8:00 A. M. on September 5. Hoke high and Raeford Graded schools will open at 8:30 to allow time for the buses to get from the rural schools into town.

The Antioch pupils will come into Raeford this year due to the failure of the state board of education to allocate a teacher to the Antioch school.

Teachers to Meet Tuesday

There will be a county-wide teachers meeting at Hoke High school on Tuesday evening at 8:00. Committeemen, members of the board of education and all interested patrons are invited to attend this meeting.

Immunization of Beginners

All parents are urged to have their beginning children checked by their family doctor, as the law requires that they be immunized against diphtheria and smallpox before entering school.

Miss Mary Thornburg has been elected to fill the vacancy in the Ashmont faculty caused by the resignation of Mrs. Levette S. Montague, who has gone to Raleigh to be with her husband and will teach in the Wake county schools.

Miss Thornburg for the past number of years has been a member of the faculty of the Ellerbe school in Richmond county.

Mrs. McLaughlin's Father Dies Monday

Rev. George W. Hanna, 68, well-known Presbyterian minister and pastor of Presbyterian and Associated Reformed Presbyterian churches in North Carolina, Pennsylvania, Iowa and Arkansas during the past 42 years, died Monday at the Davis hospital at Statesville where he had been a patient since last Friday. He had been ill for six weeks.

Mr. Hanna was a native of Gastonia and received his education at Erskine college and Erskine seminary, Due West, S. C. He was pastor of the First Associate Reformed Presbyterian church of Charlotte from 1909 to 1913. He formerly was pastor at Red Springs and for several years had been pastor of the Presbyterian church at Harrisburg, Calhoun county.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday afternoon at 2:30 at the Harrisburg Presbyterian church. Burial was in Oakwood cemetery, Gastonia.

Surviving are his wife, the former Janie Whitesides of Gastonia; three daughters, Mrs. Thomas McLaughlin of Raeford, Mrs. Earl McAuley of Statesville and Sara Louise Hanna of the home; three sisters, Mrs. J. Frank McArber, Miss Minnie Hanna, and Mrs. Harriet H. Allen, all of Gastonia.

Colored Youth Drowns Saturday

Joe Jackson, 18-year-old colored boy, was drowned in Rockfish creek last Saturday at the swimming place northwest of Raeford known as "Hannah's Hole," about two miles above Blue's bridge.

Jackson and his brothers and other boys, all of whom were considerably younger, were swimming there when he got beyond his depth with no help being available. The accident happened between 11:00 a. m. and 12:00 noon Saturday.

The body was recovered Saturday afternoon through the efforts of Alex Baker and his son, George, white men who live near the scene of the drowning.

Library News

Beginning Wednesday, September 4, the library will be open on Wednesday afternoons.

Miss Eleanor Leach has been made library assistant to take the place of Miss Betty McLean who will enter Flora Macdonald college September 9.

The library will be closed Labor Day, Monday, September 2.

Among the magazines to be found in the library are: Life, National Geographic, Atlantic, Saturday Review of Literature, Reader's Digest, Better Homes and Gardens and Time.

New titles recently placed on the shelves are: Treasury of Doctor Stories, Fabricant; Treasury of Great Poems, English and American, Untermeyer; Woman On Her Way, Baldwin; The Unforeseen, Macardle; Janey Jeems, Harris; Christopher's Wife, Shann and Personality Plus, Daly.

WILL HOLD REVIVAL AT ASHLEY HEIGHTS

Rev. Harry D. Wood of Angier will conduct a revival meeting at the Ashley Heights Baptist church next week beginning with the Sunday morning service on September 1 and continuing with services each evening through Sunday, September 8. The public is invited.

-RALLY-

BROUGHTON, PRATT AND DEANE SPEAK TO DEMOCRATS

Members of the eighth district young democrats left their meeting at the Chalfonte club near Pinehurst Tuesday night with admonitions by party chieftains to carry out a strong, forward movement to insure a full-slate victory in the fall.

C. B. Deane of Rockingham, democratic nominee for congress in the Eighth district, urged the group to join with him in a strong fight against, what he termed, "the newspapers' contention for a strong two-party rivalry" in North Carolina.

J. Melvin Broughton, former governor, said that it would be impossible "to turn America back to old-fashioned things, ideas or living." He said that the nation's youth would liberalize reactionary thinking.

Also speaking were Rep. Jane Pratt, present Eighth district congresswoman, and Lt. Governor L. Y. Ballentine of Raleigh.

The group passed a resolution requesting the state YPC president to call a state-wide meeting soon. A committee was named to pick the convention site and time. The meeting also passed a resolution requesting the party not to remove its president from the state executive committee's membership.

Recorder Has Light Session

In Recorder's court Tuesday morning Frizzelle Jenkins was sentenced to 60 days on the roads for driving drunk. Sentence was suspended on payment of a \$50 fine and the costs.

E. J. Hollingsworth entered a plea of guilty of violating the prohibition laws and sentence was 30 days, suspended on payment of the costs.

Maggie Bostic, Cora Lee McKeithan and William Moore each paid the costs for being drunk and disorderly. 30-day sentences were suspended in each case.

Bill Thompson got a 30 day sentence suspended on payment of the costs for parking on a public highway.

Jackie Dempsey Gay, white, was sentenced to serve 60 days on the roads for speeding and otherwise violating the road laws. Sentence was suspended on payment of a \$10 fine and the costs.

Ruby L. Tate got a 30-day jail sentence suspended on payment of a \$10 fine and the costs for violating the road laws.

4-H PARTY SAT. EVENING

The Hoke county 4-H boys and girls are invited to a party at the Hoke county high school gymnasium on Saturday evening, August 31, at 7:30 p. m.

POOLE'S MEDLEY

BY D. SCOTT POOLE

The highest price I recall for cotton was 44 cents a pound. Not much was sold for that price they wanted 50 cents, and took 7 1/2.

Corn sold as high as \$3 a bushel in the neighborhood in which I lived, but there was not much for sale. Meat was no higher than it is now.

For forty years cotton averaged 8 1/2 cents a pound, and corn from 50 to \$1 a bushel. Wheat sold between 70 cents to \$2.50 a bushel since the Civil War.

The earthquake on August 31st, 1886, frightened people badly. They prayed and shouted and sang until I went to sleep about midnight that night. It was said many did not sleep at all.

It is a frightful experience when you do not know what is going to come next. If you feel the ground may open its mouth and swallow you up, you will doubtless feel a little uneasy.

To see a forest fire racing through the woods, climbing pines and shooting rolls of flame a hundred feet into the air makes a person feel uneasy. Numbers of people are drowned and burned to death yearly.

A forest fire started from a burning logheap in Alex. Green's field eight miles east of Troy, at 3 o'clock P. M. and within an hour, it was nearing Carthage, and burned a number of homes.

I remember the fire which destroyed Chicago in 1871. The smoke from that fire settled all up and down Drowning creek valley. Baltimore was almost totally destroyed in February 1904. Fayetteville was burned in 1831. The State Capitol was burned in 1833, I believe.

Three years since the close of the Civil War, tobacco sold

at an average price of 7 cents a pound, and for more than forty years, the average price of cotton was only 8 1/4 cents a lb.

Women in our neighborhood made pants of homemade cloth into pants which they sold at \$1 a pair to turpentine hands in the section. Anything that would help get rations.

We are really having the best times now I have ever known, still I am told people do not save, or safely invest much of their money.

It is said living costs have increased 14 percent, and will likely go higher. It is more likely living costs will not be lower for the next year, possibly longer.

The countries from Mexico, through Central America and South America allowed race amalgamation, soon after discovery, and those countries have not produced a noted human being since. All races, mixed, retrograde.

I have always desired that the little I know be sound doctrine, correct, well based knowledge. When I meet something I do not understand I want to be taught by one who is orthodox.

To know, and know that you know is possible, and may be attained without conceit and pride. Satisfaction in believing we are right is not conceit. Conceit conceives superiority.

As tilling the soil is now more profitable, more people should move from the towns to the country. The ideal life is the well lived country life.

Clusters of country homes is a delightful idea, and makes for safety, and social enjoyment. Electricity brings many advantages to the country people. How in the world did we used to see

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-HIGHWAY-

LAFAYETTE MEETING IN MONDAY

Well wishers of U. S. 15 and 15-A, better known as Lafayette Highway, held an enthusiastic meeting in Fayetteville Monday. Towns from eight to Savannah were represented. There were seven in attendance from Raeford, Fayetteville and Laurinburg, N. C.; and Bennettsville, Hartsville, Bishopville, Sumter and Walterboro, S. C.

C. T. Jordan, of Hartsville, president, presided. W. J. Ellison, president Hartsville Chamber of Commerce, made the address of welcome. Speakers were Congressman John Riley, Otis Hill and W. R. Pratt, Sumter; Geo. Eidson and C. T. Jordan, Hartsville; W. J. McLeod, B. R. Guy and A. J. Novit, Walterboro; T. C. Crosland, Bennettsville; J. R. Hood, W. L. Bunker, Laurinburg; A. E. Dixon, F. E. Crawford, Fayetteville.

Monday's highway conference of the veteran Lafayette Association showed evidence of considerable interest. In other words everyone pledged their united support as well as their respective communities. C. T. Jordan and John Riley, retiring president and secretary, were voted thanks for their outstanding work.

New officers named to head up the re-activated Lafayette Highway Association, are: J. B. Hood, Laurinburg, president; B. R. Guy, Walterboro, 1st Vice-President; C. E. Florden, Sumterton, 2nd Vice-President and Wade L. Dunbar, Laurinburg, temporary secretary. Directors A. E. Dixon, Fayetteville; Wade L. Dunbar, Laurinburg; Neil A. McDonald, Raeford; A. L. Bredin, Bennettsville; E. N. Lawton, Hartsville; Frank DeSchamps, Bishopville and Otis Hill, Sumter.

After the business session, the group from North and South Carolina were banqueted at Prestwood Country Club by the Hartsville Tourist Bureau, of which Frank Funderburk, is president and B. L. Cobb, secretary.

At the spirited road meeting Monday, plans were set in motion to publicize U. S. 15 and 15-A to the tourist world. Within the next week, all local towns along U. S. 15 and U. S. 15-A plan meetings to raise the necessary funds to employ a secretary and promote a worthwhile advertising program.

SUPER-ROAD HEARING IN RALEIGH TODAY

The hearing on the routing of the North-South super-highway will be conducted in the House chamber in Raleigh at 2:30 o'clock today. The hearing is being held by the State Highway commission for the purpose of hearing further discussion of the routing of the highway from Fayetteville southwards.

Raeford and Hoke county people are urged to attend, as a strong movement is expected by communities interested in seeing the new road follow U. S. 301 south from Fayetteville through Lumberton, although this is contrary to the expressed wishes of the South Carolina state highway commission.

Trial Of Ewing Gets Under Way

Wall C. Ewing, 54-year-old Fayetteville businessman who for years has been a political power in this section, late Tuesday went on trial for his life in Cumberland County Superior Court, charged with the murder of his wife last March 13.

Preliminaries to the actual taking of testimony moved at a rapid pace, and within a little more than one hour three of the 13 jurors who will sit on the case had been selected. Court then recessed until 9:30 Wednesday morning.

On Wednesday a. m. one juror was selected from 19 examined.

Ewing, dressed neatly in a dark business suit, appeared confident and unperturbed as he sat with his four lawyers, but one court official who has seen him a number of times since he was jailed March 27 on the murder charge, remarked that "The defendant doesn't look so well today."

Friends Offer Support

During a brief recess of court, several of Ewing's friends stepped up to the counsel table for a word with him. One pledged him "All the backing I'm able to give you." The former State Senator thanked him, then added:

"They ought to turn me loose in short order." The friend agreed.

Presiding over the trial is Judge R. Hunt Parker of Roanoke. (Continued on Page 4)

FARM NOTES

By A. S. Knowles

Pearlie McDowell, member of the Hoke 4-H club, is spending this week at Singletary Lake attending a forestry school. A total of fifty 4-H club boys representing counties throughout the state are the guests of the Champion Paper and Fiber company of Canton and the N. C. Pulpwood company of Plymouth. The school will be held under the supervision of the N. C. Department of Conservation and Development. Outstanding foresters will be on hand to give instruction in forestry.

Tobacco Farmers Warning

Tobacco farmers should make sure that they get at least 90 percent parity for their tobacco this year. Early sales indicate that the prices paid are above parity but it has been reported that some farmers have sold at less than the Government loan value.

The Tobacco Cooperative Stabilization Corporation stand ready to make loans available to farmers on tobacco at 90 percent parity. The average parity at the beginning of the season was 35.7 cents per pound average for all grades. At 90 percent parity the loan value for average all grades will be 32.1 cents per pound. Loans can be made on any basket not selling at 90 percent parity. Loans will be leased on Government grades.

Step Up Grain Yields

Small grain yields can be stepped up considerably by following five important steps. These steps were agreed upon after extensive experiment work was carried on throughout the state and 15 years of practical field results at the Piedmont Branch Experiment Station. The steps are:

1. PREPARE A GOOD SEED BED.

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