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SCHOOL NEWS

By K. A. MacDonald

Miss Irene Downer of the Mil-douson faculty was sick on Monday. Mrs. J. M. Andrews substituted for her.

There was a county-wide colored teachers meeting held at the Upchurch school yesterday afternoon. The program consisted of a reading demonstration and discussion of this demonstration.

D. B. McFadyen, Jr., and Phil Johnson have been added to the vocational agricultural department staff of the Hoke High. Lawrence McLaughlin has been added at Upchurch. All of these men will teach and supervise the G. I. enrollees in the agricultural course. Hoke High now has 53 enrolled and Upchurch 48.

Meat canning is now being done by both of the vocational agricultural departments. White people wanting meat canned should contact W. P. Phillips at Hoke High for appointments. Colored people should see Stephen Williams at Upchurch school.

Mildouson has added 6 pupils to its enrollment since last week and now has 86 on roll.

W. O. Melvin, band teacher at Hoke High is now in the process of organizing a new class in band at the Raeford Graded school. He has one class there that was organized last fall. They are doing splendid work. We hope the new class will do as well.

Carl Riley, Walter Gibson, Robert Gatlin and A. W. Wood, members of the County Board of Education, W. T. Gibson and K. A. MacDonald attended a meeting of the State school board association in Goldsboro last night.

We are glad to report that Miss Isabel McFadyen, former secretary of the Board of Education, is improving nicely after an operation at Highsmith hospital in Fayetteville.

RAEFORD GRADED SCHOOL NEWS

By the Student

Miss Biggs' seventh grade students have been having interesting graphs and reports on different subjects. Rudolph Baker had such an interesting report that he was asked by Mrs. McFadyen's room to give his report on horses. It was enjoyed very much.

The Grammar school will have mid-term tests in two weeks.

Mrs. Shelton's room was sorry that John Davis had to be out of school for some days because of his grandmother's death.

Derry Walker was happy to have his sister from Hopewell, Va., and his father from Knoxville, Tenn., to visit him during the Christmas holidays.

Mrs. Shelton's fifth grade is now studying North Carolina history.

Mrs. J. W. Walker and Mrs. H. R. McLean wrote letters thanking Mrs. Shelton's room for salt and pepper sets they gave them for Christmas. Mrs. Walker and Mrs. McLean are their grandmothers.

Pupils having perfect attendance for the fourth month in Mrs. Roberts' grade are: Dale Connell, Ronald Gordon, Johnny Hall, Franklin Inman, Wayne Maxwell, Monroe McLean, Malcolm Sanderson, Betty Jean Aury, Janice Benner, Claudine Hodgin, Joan McLeod, Patsy Russell, Peggy Stanton.

Joanne Cox from Mrs. Roberts' fourth grade is sick with whooping cough.

The sixth and seventh grade boys are really in earnest about basketball. They are starting today preparing for the tournament.

Few Cases Tried Tuesday Morning By Recorder

FIGHTING, DRINKING AND DRIVING OFFENSES

In recorder's court Tuesday morning Carl Boahn, white, faced Judge Henry McDiarmid on a charge of driving a car under the influence of liquor. On the plea of guilty he was sentenced to 60 days on the roads, sentence to be suspended on payment of \$50 and the court costs.

James J. Fitzpatrick, white of Washington, D. C., had posted a \$25 bond for speeding. He failed to appear, so the bond was forfeited, the costs paid and the balance given to the school fund.

Ernest McRae, colored, got 30 days suspended on payment of the costs for violating the prohibition laws.

Bradley B. Lane, white, was found not guilty on a charge of careless and reckless driving.

Belton Beasley, white, was charged with assault. The state took a nol pros on payment of the costs.

Cases tried last week which were omitted from last week's paper were as follows.

Frank J. Derizzo, Irving Cheswick, Robert T. Conn and Robert E. Bonds, all white, each paid the costs for speeding.

Willie Martin McCain, colored, paid the costs for assault and trespass and paid a \$10 fine and the costs for driving without a license in another case.

J. T. Parnell, white, entered a plea of nolo contendere to the charge of careless and reckless driving. He paid the costs and damages to the car of C. H. Giles, Jr.

Alex McNeill, colored, got 30 days suspended on payment of \$10 and the costs for assaulting Snap Lee, Wright McNeill and Willie McIntyre, all also colored.

James Murchison, colored man charged with assault, got 30 days suspended on payment of the costs and on condition that he stay away from the home of Nellie Headon.

John D. Lowery, Indian, got 60 days suspended on payment of \$50 and the costs for driving drunk.

Robert Morris, white, paid the costs for violating the prohibition laws by having unsealed liquor off his premises.

Organ Barton, Indian, paid the costs for being drunk and disorderly.

ELIZABETH PARKER WINS ORATORICAL CONTEST

On Thursday, January 2, members of the senior class of the local high school assembled in the auditorium for the school finals of the High School World Speaking program. 124 high schools in the state participated in the program which was sponsored by the Extension Division of the University of North Carolina.

The Hoke County Bar Association promoted the contest in the Hoke County school and paid the \$5.00 entrance fee. The faculty advisor under whose direction the program was carried out in the school, was Miss Miriam Watson.

Forty-two essays on the topic "Is World Government the Path to Peace?" were submitted. Seven of the essays submitted were selected for the finals. They were those of Eleanor Leach, Martha Harris, Sonny McIntyre, Elizabeth Parker, Grady Covington, Joan Johnson, and Betty Davis. Elizabeth Parker was the winner.

Seven years ago W. J. Smith, a unit-test demonstration farmer in Buncombe County, produced 275 bushels of corn on 11 acres. In 1946 he grew 324 bushels on 4 acres.

Hoke High Loses Doubleheader To Parkton Boys; Girls

The Parkton High school girls defeated the Hoke High sextet at Parkton Tuesday night, 25-20. The game was closely played throughout and the score was tied several times, but the Parkton forwards started hitting the basket from all angles in the final quarter. Edge was the leading scorer for Parkton with 12 points, while McNeill with 11 and Lewis with 9 were best for Raeford.

In the second game of the evening the Parkton boys came out on the long end of a 32-30 score over the Hoke High quint. The score in this one was tied at 7-all at the end of the first quarter and Parkton led, 13-11, at the half. Melvin was top for the victors with 19 points scored. McNeill with 6 was the best for Hoke High.

Although the home team came out on the long end of the score, the game was played under protest by the Hoke aggregation. The Hoke High coaches protested a referee's decision and this will be ruled on by the protest committee of the State Class "B" conference.

To Certify Vets In Lumberton Monday

Charlotte, N. C.—Lawrence S. Everett, Veterans Certifying Officer of the War Assets Administration from Wilmington will be in Lumberton Monday and Tuesday, January 13 and 14, and will be available to certify veterans of World War II for the purpose of surplus government property.

Mr. Everett will be able to explain any question the veterans might have concerning their priority rights and will give them the "what, where and how" of obtaining surplus items. Eligible veterans will be able to get their certifications on the spot and will not have to go to Raleigh or Wilmington as in the past. All that is needed is for the veteran to bring a photostatic or certified copy of his discharge or his terminal leave papers.

This "mobile" certifying office will be set up in the American Legion Hut and will be open for business between 9 and 4 each day. On Thursday and Friday, January 16 and 17, Mr. Everett will be at the city hall in Wallace and on the following Wednesday and Thursday, January 22, and 23, he will be in room 321-2, Elks Building, in New Bern.

Mrs. Irene Cooke Dies At Varina

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday afternoon at the Wake Chapel Christian church in Varina for Mrs. Irene Johnson Cooke, 78, who died there Monday night following several years of illness. Burial followed in the church cemetery.

Surviving are one brother, one sister, and several nieces and nephews including Mrs. H. A. Cameron, and Clyde, Tommie and Lewis Upchurch of Raeford. Mrs. Cooke was a sister of the late Mrs. T. B. Upchurch, Sr.

COUNTY COTTON CROP GREATER IN 1946

According to figures released by the Agriculture Division of the Census Bureau in Washington there were more bales of cotton ginned in the county from the crop of 1946 than from that of 1945.

The report stated that there were 8,301 bales ginned in the county from the crop of 1946 prior to December 13 as compared to 7,902 bales ginned to December 13, 1945.

The 1947 cotton crop insurance program has been announced by the Federal Crop Insurance Corporation. Ask your AAA committee for a copy of the explanatory folder.

EMPLOYMENT EXPERT TO INTERVIEW VETERANS

Mrs. N. McN. Smith wishes to inform all veterans who are not taking on the job training, who are farming and have a crop of their own, and who wish to file a self-employment claim that they may meet with a representative of the Unemployment Compensation commission at the county office building next Wednesday morning, January 15, between nine and 11 o'clock.

Union Church Service Next Sunday Night

There will be a union service of the Raeford Baptist, Methodist and Presbyterian churches at the Presbyterian church at seven-thirty next Sunday evening, January 12.

The service is to be a service of appreciation as a parting gesture to Rev. Harry K. Holland who will leave this month for his new pastorate at Marietta, Ga. Rev. J. D. Whisnant and Rev. W. L. Maness will participate in the service in which the sermon will be delivered by Mr. Holland. Holland's final service here, however, will be on the morning of January 19.

Members of the three churches and all others are invited to attend.

4-H CLUB MEMBERS TO SPONSOR SQUARE DANCE

The Hoke County 4-H Club members will sponsor a square dance in the Raeford Armory on Wednesday evening, January 15, at eight o'clock. The proceeds will be used to send several club members to 4-H Short Course at State College in Raleigh next summer. The public is cordially invited.

Flora Macdonald Concert Postponed

The Mack Harrell Concert at Flora Macdonald college, which had been scheduled for Monday evening, January 13th, has been postponed, and will be presented on Monday evening, January 20th, at 8:15 o'clock. This concert will be the third number of the year's concert-lecture series at the college.

Mr. Harrell's concert at Flora Macdonald was postponed so that he might sing in some special operas at the Metropolitan during the week of January 13.

The car of Dr. Julius Jordan, local dentist, which was stolen from Main street a couple of weeks ago while he was attending the movie, has not been recovered.

Presbyterian Men's Club Will Honor Harry Holland

The Men's Fellowship club of the Raeford Presbyterian church will have its regular monthly meeting on the second Tuesday of this month, rather than the third Tuesday as is customary. This meeting on Tuesday, January 14, is being called "Harry Holland Night," and will include a hot supper as usual. It will be a final tribute to the men of the church to their pastor, Rev. Harry K. Holland, who is leaving later in the month to become pastor of the First Presbyterian church of Marietta, Ga.

Speaker for the program will be Dr. Watson M. Fairley, pastor of the First Presbyterian church of Fayetteville who was pastor of the Raeford Presbyterian church for fifteen years and who was succeeded here by Mr. Holland.

Kiwanians Install New Officers And Entertain Ladies

At the regular weekly meeting of the Raeford Kiwanis club last Thursday night the club entertained the wives and sweethearts and installed its new officers for 1947. This has been a customary procedure for the first meeting in each year for some time. About 100 members and guests were in attendance.

The program committee consisted of Clyde Upchurch, Jr., Robert Gatlin, W. T. Gibson, and A. S. Knowles with Upchurch acting as master of ceremonies. Following a delicious meal served by Mrs. Lucy Smith the gathering was entertained by several vocal renditions by Miss Elsie Upchurch, accompanied by Mrs. Luke Bethune, club pianist. This was followed by some comedy by Edwin Smith and Judson Coates and the delivery of prizes, some serious and some funny, by Robert Gatlin. A guest speaker, Arthur Moore, was introduced by Clyde Upchurch, Jr. Mr. Moore told some jokes.

R. B. Lewis, Kiwanis lieutenant governor for the Fourth Division of the Carolinas District, then installed the club's incoming officers. These are K. A. MacDonald, president, Lewis Upchurch, vice president, and Hinton McPhaul, secretary-treasurer.

Hinton McPhaul presented attendance tabs to eight members who had perfect attendance for at least one year. These included one to Cecil Dew, who had not missed a meeting in four years.

Kenneth MacDonald, new president, briefly outlined his aims while in office after receiving the gavel from Tom Cameron, the retiring president. MacDonald then announced the club's committees for the year after which the meeting adjourned.

CAROLINA CONGRESSMEN MAKE DEANE SECTY.

C. B. Deane of Rockingham, Congressman from the Eighth Congressional District, was elected Secretary of the North Carolina delegation in the U. S. House of Representatives at a caucus of the delegation held today. Congressman Robert L. Doughton, veteran legislator from Laurel Springs, N. C., was re-elected chairman of the delegation.

Mr. Deane's election by the delegation came as an honor, in view of the fact that this is his first term in Congress.

TED CLARK WITH ADMIRAL BYRD

Ted Clark of the U. S. Navy visited his grandmother, Mrs. J. P. Smith, Monday, December 30. On Thursday he left Norfolk with Admiral Byrd's expedition to the Antarctic. He is aboard the U. S. S. Philippine Sea.

John W. Moore, Former Citizen, Dies Saturday

FORMER LOCAL LEADER BURIED MONDAY IN TARBORO

Funeral services were conducted Monday afternoon in Wilson for John William Moore, 80, who passed away at 2:45 p. m. Saturday at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Graham Boykin in Bailey, Wilson county. Services were conducted by Rev. W. C. Ball, pastor of the First Methodist church of Wilson and burial followed in Greenwood cemetery, Tarboro.

Mr. Moore was one of the leading citizens of this section in the early days of Raeford and Hoke County. He helped organize the Bank of Raeford in 1902 and was its first cashier, a post he held for almost twenty years. He was also active in bringing about the formation of Hoke County in 1911. He was a member of the town council and the school board and was known for his unceasing efforts toward the betterment of the community. He built and lived in the house on Central avenue now occupied by Mrs. John Maultsby. He was a member of the Raeford Methodist church.

He left here in the early twenties, since which time he lived in Wilson and Tarboro. At his death he was a member of the Tarboro Methodist church. Mrs. Moore, the former Lucinda Sugg, preceded him to the grave several years.

Surviving are four daughters, Mrs. Boykin of Bailey, Mrs. David Duncan of Newark, N. J., Mrs. Herbert Quinerly of Grifton, Mrs. Robert Corbett of Jackson; one son, William David Moore of Tarboro; one sister, Mrs. Mattie Tugwell of Walstonburg; three granddaughters.

FARM NOTES

By A. S. Knowles

Farmers have until January 15 to report estimates of their 1946 income, and pay the tax where it is due. Final returns must be made by March 15.

Cotton seed where needed should be purchased at once. Good seed is most important in a successful crop. Seed should never be planted after the third year from the breeder. If planted longer than three years, the staple tends to become short. "Key" farmers should renew their requirement each year. A large number of farmers were forced to plant "unknown" seed this past season because good seed was so scarce. A good supply of quality seed was produced last year. The coker 100 Wilt variety is recommended for Hoke county. No other variety should be planted.

January is a good month to take soil samples and send to the soils laboratory. An analysis of the soil will be valuable as it shows the correct need for lime and fertilizer.

Place orders for lime with Triple-A office at once so that the lime can be applied to pastures and other crops before planting time.

Plant oats at once for spring grazing and feed. Fertilize at planting time with a fertilizer as nitrogen may not be available for top dressing.

After tobacco plant beds are prepared, put 2 pounds of 4-9-3 fertilizer per square yard at planting time. Stir the fertilizer into the top two or three inches of soil. The bed should be covered within two weeks after seeding.

Poole's Medley

BY D. SCOTT POOLE

At the Methodist Hour Sunday a choir sang a tune I had not heard in fifty years, or so, and I have never heard sweeter harmony. It was: "I Love to Hear the Sweet Story of Old, When Jesus Was Here Among Men." The static was too much for me Sunday.

I wonder who can tell us what static is? It is something like exhausted, burned out electricity, I will guess. It is said the earth is imbedded in static.

The cold wave was several days behind schedule, or the weather man was ahead of the wind. We have had a lot of pretty weather and sunny days.

I have an idea there is a lot of tainted meat in the land. Farmers have an easy time now of cultivating their corn crops. We used to plow our corn four or five times, now they plow it twice and lay it by. They fertilize after preparing well the land. The new scientific farming of this day has removed the drudgery from farm labor. A tractor out travels a horse or mule and the driver gets a good day's riding. But they say when you drive a tractor all day you feel like going to bed when night comes.

Young people used to have parties during the Christmas holidays. I recall going to parties Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday nights during Christmas week, and we were frolicking all day most of the time. The loss of sleep was the greatest of our inconveniences. But we did have some wonderfully good dinners and suppers and we did not find enjoyment in drinking, fortunately. If there was any drinking in this section of town I did not hear of it. It was a sober Christmas here.

The shortest days of the year were from December 21st to December 24th. The shortest nights come about June 20th.

Four automobiles passed a Greyhound bus on the Fayetteville road a few days ago between Beaver Creek and Little Beaver Creek and the bus was making its usual speed it appeared. Cars run too fast for the drivers to have them under control, therefore, wrecks.

The Agricultural Departments are claiming improvements in farmers' crops. They help, and greater help is available money. A one-horse farmer with four acres of tobacco and six acres of cotton handles more cash in a year than a whole crowded township did during my coming up. And in the 1930's as a man said: "There are no money."

Senator Bilbo has gone home for an operation, it was reported the first of this week. The Republicans may miss turning him out, but if he is guilty as charged, he should be unseated. But if all the corrupt men were turned out of Congress, they might not have a quorum.

In 1898 a Republican, who was my neighbor and friend in Troy, said to me one day, "Well Scott, I did two mean things today, and I would not have, but the Democrats are doing so many mean things, I just can't help doing some meanness, too." I said to him: "Two rascals are worse than one, I mean to not do a thing I will be ashamed of."

A Republican, but a strong Franklin D. Roosevelt supporter and admirer: "If the sovereign people elect him any number of times it would be democratic." Then, a majority in any kind of government is democratic calling any thing by any name does not make that thing true to name.

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