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SCHOOL NEWS

By K. A. MacDonald

Mrs. Ruria Shelton and Mrs. Francis Davis of the Raeford Graded school faculty represented the Hoke County Unit of NCEA at the Delegate Assembly held in Asheville last Thursday and Friday. They report snow and ice on the outside and a hot time on the inside.

The Esso Travelogue "North Carolina" in technicolor, will be shown at the Raeford Graded school on Friday, April 4, at 9:45 a. m. The public is invited to see this picture. The same picture will be shown at the Rockfish school at 10:45 a. m. the same day. The public is also invited to the Rockfish school to see the picture.

Tonight at 8:15 the Hoke High Band and glee club will give a concert of Easter music in the high school auditorium. The concert is under the direction of Mr. W. O. Melvin director both of the band and glee club. The public is cordially invited. Be sure to go. It's free.

The Laurel Hill school is having a popularity contest tonight at 7:30 o'clock. The proceeds will go to the lunchroom. The patrons of the school are especially invited to attend.

Mildouson Committee Changes
Sometime ago, after many years of faithful and efficient service, the Mildouson school committee resigned. The committee was composed of N. A. McInnis, chairman, J. L. McFadyen and Frank McGregor. Messrs. McInnis and McFadyen were among the oldest school board members, in point of service in the county. Both had served the Mildouson school as committeemen since the early 20's. Mr. McGregor was a more recent appointee. The Board of Education hesitated a long time before accepting the resignations. They were finally accepted because it was felt that these were deserved to be relieved after having served so long and so faithfully. It was with a great deal of regret that this decision was reached.

The writer wishes to express publicly his appreciation for the great help given him in the operation of the school. It has been a pleasure working with these gentlemen for the benefit of the children of the Mildouson district. After accepting these resignations, the Board of Education appointed Messrs. O. B. Maxwell, H. T. Hines and M. D. Yates to fill the vacancies. All three of these gentlemen have accepted the appointments and we are looking forward to a continuation of the good work at Mildouson.

Clinic's Start Next Thursday
Pre-school clinics are scheduled to start in the county on April 10. We urgently request all parents with children who will start to school next year for the first time to get their children to these clinics so that they may get the checkup and have all the vaccinations over that are required for school entrance. We are indebted to the following for making the schedule possible: Doctors. Brown, Matheson, Murray, O'Brian, Hyatt and Marks Dr. Wilcox, District Health officer, will hold all clinics not held by the above mentioned doctors. Mrs. Campbell and Miss Coleman will attend all clinics.

It is suggested that you clip the schedule given below and keep for reference.

Hoke County Pre-School Clinic Schedule:
Peachmont, Friendship and Rockfish, Colored, at White Oak

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'Skin' Game Ends In Death For Player Sunday

ROBERT SMITH HELD FOR SHOOTING LEROY SHAW

Sheriff D. H. Hodgkin, accompanied by Deputies J. C. Wright and Harry Dees arrested Robert Smith, colored man of Stonewall township, in the vicinity of Arabia at about eleven o'clock near Arabia for allegedly killing LeRoy Shaw that afternoon following an altercation arising from a card game.

The story as the sheriff said he heard it was that Shaw, Smith, and Fester Bain and Jesse McKinnon, also colored, were down in the woods about 150 yards from the Furmage filling station approximately a mile north of the Robeson county line on the Dundarrach-Lumber Bridge road. They were indulging in a gambling game called "skin". It was in this game that the sheriff said he understood that Smith and Shaw had a disagreement about four o'clock. Smith told the sheriff that Shaw had choked him, after which he went to his home about 1/2 mile away, got his single-barrelled 12-gauge shotgun, returned to the scene of the game and shot Shaw.

Shaw was hit in the abdomen in the region of his pelvis and lived only about thirty minutes after being shot, the sheriff said. Smith was apparently taking elusive action when the officers located him that night near Arabia. He is lodged in the county jail pending action by the grand jury at the next term of superior court which is to begin on Monday, April 21.

A coroner's jury after an inquest Monday ruled that Shaw had died at the hand of Smith, and the coroner directed that the latter be held.

A UNION SERVICE

The Raeford Methodist, Baptist and Presbyterian churches will have a union service at the Methodist church on Easter Sunday evening. Dr. Watson Fairley, who will be supply pastor of the Presbyterian church only for this month, will preach the sermon.

The Board of Education will hold its biannual organization meeting on Next Monday, April 7.

WHAT ARMY DAY SHOULD MEAN TO YOU

April 7, 1947 -- America is at peace.

The war years are behind us now, but we have not forgotten. Ours was a hard won victory, bought at an awful price.

We can never erase our debt to the men and women who made victory possible. But we can take steps to safeguard the future, by creating the structure for a lasting peace. We can make tomorrow a better day for everyone.

Army Day is the day you can turn your attention to those patriotic citizens who have dignified their intention of taking an active part in preserving the peace and protecting America by proudly donning one of Uncle Sam's military uniforms.

To make this possible, the Regular Army, the National Guard of the United States, the Organized Reserve Corps, and the ROTC have planned special exercises and exhibits, not only on Army Day, but also through the week.

You can back up these public spirited volunteers and show them that they have your interest and support by visiting their displays and witnessing the events they have planned for you.

Mrs. Watson, Sister Of Poet McNeill Dies At Wagram

Mrs. D. A. Watson, widow of Daniel McArn Watson, and sister and late immediate survivor of John Charles McNeill, noted North Carolina poet, died suddenly last Saturday morning at her home in Wagram. She was a member of a family long prominent in this section of the state.

Surviving are her sons, McNeill Watson and Daniel Watson, both of Wagram, and a daughter, Mrs. J. H. Jones of Boiling Springs. Services were held Sunday at three p. m. at Spring Hill Baptist church. They were conducted by Rev. J. D. Whisnant, pastor, assisted by Rev. J. L. Jenkins of Boiling Springs. Burial was in Spring Hill cemetery.

Archie McNair Is Buried Here Late Saturday

Dr. Watson M. Fairley, pastor of the Raeford Presbyterian church conducted graveside services here last Saturday afternoon for Archie McNair, former resident of this community who died Friday night in a hospital at Roanoke, Virginia. He had been in the hospital about two weeks. Burial was in Raeford cemetery.

Mr. McNair was 53 years of age and was unmarried. He was born in the vicinity of Maxton but moved with his family to this county about 1900. He lived here until about a dozen years ago when he moved to Galax, Virginia, where he spent the remaining years of his life.

BAPTIST MISSION SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday morning April 6th at 9:45 Mr. E. M. Smith will meet all those interested, at The Edinburg Community Church for the purpose of organizing a Baptist Sunday School. This mission hopes to reach the Baptist and the Baptist inclined of The Edinburg Community. We have no intention of interfering with people or churches of other faiths.

We are grateful to Mr. M. T. Poovey, Superintendent of the Mill for giving us the privilege of using The Community Church Building. When this Sunday School is organized it will belong to those interested in making it a success. Those interested will set the hour for meeting each Sunday. Mr. Smith is giving his time each Sunday in leading the school. Preaching services will be arranged from time to time.

We trust that this Sunday School will meet a need in this community that has not theretofore been met. To all those interested we extend a most cordial welcome.

J. D. Whisnant, Pastor Raeford Baptist Church.

LIBRARY NEWS

Mr and Mrs. Hallie L. Gatlin have presented three books to the Hoke County Library in memory of Mr. T. B. Upchurch, Irwin's Bible Commentary, Peloubet's Bible Dictionary and Cruden's Complete Concordance.

The Roosevelt I Knew, Frances Perkins, has been presented to the library by Mr. and Mrs. Marion Gatlin in memory of Mrs. Malcolm McLean, mother of Mrs. N. L. McFadyen.

A beautiful edition of The Birds of America, by Audubon, has been received and is ready for circulation.

Lydia Bailey, by Kenneth Roberts, has topped the best seller list for several weeks. This is another of his great historical novels.

Other new books received are: Operations Crossroads; The Show Piece, Tarkington; The Clover Sister; Banning; The Light Heart, Thane.

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REA Co-op Opens Labor Bids For 125 Miles Line

ADDITIONAL LINE TO LUMBEE; TOTAL 1000 MILES OR OVER

Bids for an additional 125 miles of line to be constructed in the near future were opened at the office of the Lumbree River Electric Membership Corporation here Tuesday. According to D. J. Dalton, general manager of the corporation, nine bids were received, ranging in price from \$43,000 to \$62,000. These bids were for labor only, as the co-op acquires and furnishes its own construction materials.

Interesting fact about the opening of the bids for this contract is that for a similar contract six months ago there were only six bids submitted and these were requested. There were nine unsolicited bids for the presently discussed contract.

The low bid was submitted by the C and S Engineering and contracting company of Shelby, N. C. It is expected that this company will be awarded the contract very soon and that construction will start in about 60 days. The work is expected to take about three months to complete. The line will be located in Robeson and Scotland counties, generally within a 15-mile radius of Pembroke.

The cooperative expects to energize 140 miles of line this week. It already has 644 miles in operation and with the contemplated 125 miles the total will run to 1009 miles of line.

SACRAMENT TOMORROW

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be administered continuously Good Friday (tomorrow) at the Raeford Methodist church, from the hours of 11:00 a. m. to three p. m.

Kannapolis Pastor Accepts Call Of Presbyterians

RELIEVES DR. FAIRLEY ON FIRST SUNDAY OF NEXT MONTH

Rev. William B. Heyward, pastor of the Second Presbyterian church of Kannapolis, N. C., has accepted a call issued him by the Raeford Presbyterian church and will come to Raeford to be the pastor of the church. Present plans call for him to occupy the pulpit as pastor on the morning of May 4. He will succeed Dr. Watson M. Fairley, who has been supply pastor since Rev. Harry K. Holland accepted the call of the First Presbyterian church of Marietta, Georgia.

Mr. Heyward is a native of Memphis, Tenn. and grew up in Raleigh, N. C. where his father was in the insurance business. He was educated at Hampden Sydney college in Virginia and Union Theological Seminary in Richmond, Virginia. His first pastorate was the Kannapolis church from which he comes here. For the past several years he has been director of young people's work in the Concord presbytery.

He is married and has two children, a daughter aged three and a son aged seven months. Mrs. Heyward was formerly Miss Sarah Ramseur of Lincolnton, N. C.

Mr. Heyward's decision to come to Raeford will be taken up at the Concord presbytery on April 15 where the pulpit committee of the church here will appear to prosecute the call. Concord presbytery is expected to dismiss him to Fayetteville presbytery at that time.

Mrs. A. D. Gore, librarian of the Hoke High school announces that the library has just received \$282.00 worth of new books. This is a welcome addition.

Legion Will Give Car Away At Dance Tomorrow

Officials of the local American Legion post predict a large attendance at their pre-Easter dance to be held in the armory tomorrow night. At 10 o'clock there will be a drawing from a box into which the stubs of all tickets to the dance have been placed. One stub will be drawn and the holder of the ticket with the corresponding number will be given a new 1947 Chevrolet Stylemaster town sedan. The winner is not required to be present.

Music for the dance will be furnished by Bob Jones and his Swingmasters 12 piece music-making aggregation who have played for previous dances and who have a large following in this section. The affair will not be a square dance.

Coroner Decides Willie Siler Died Natural Death

Coroner W. L. Roper after personally investigating the death of Willie Siler, colored employee of Graham's Service station, last Sunday night, decided that he had died of natural causes and not directly because of the bootleg liquor and opossum he had been eating a short time before his death. The coroner arrived at this conclusion after discussing the case with the attending physician.

Siler died suddenly at about eight p. m. Sunday at the home of Clara McKeithan in the colored settlement north of Raeford. His death was the result of a heart attack, according to the doctor. He was approximately 50 years of age.

SERVICES AT PHILIPPI PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Services will be resumed at Phillippi Presbyterian Church (Raeford - Route 2). Easter Sunday afternoon at four o'clock with a special service and will be held thereafter every first and third Sundays at 4:00 o'clock. The Sunday School services will begin at 3:00 o'clock.

The Rev. Donald McMahan of Fayetteville will conduct the Service. (Continued on page 4)

RED CROSS NETS \$2592.48

Hoke County has gone over the top in another Red Cross drive. County Drive Chairman Neill A. McDonald announced yesterday that a total of \$25,924.48 had been turned in up to that time, topping the county's quota of \$2535 by \$57.48.

McDonald expressed himself as being grateful to all those whose contributions made the successful completion of the drive possible and said he was particularly thankful to all the workers in the drive for their splendid efforts and cooperation.

Israel Mann, chairman of the Raeford community in the drive wishes to thank especially his district chairman, Mrs. J. L. McNeill, Mrs. Robert Gatlin, Mrs. Herbert McKeithan, Mr. Joe Gullidge and all their co-workers who helped raise the \$1267.75 turned in by Raeford.

A. S. Gaston and Ed Bule, colored drive chairmen, also expressed their thanks to all their co-workers and teachers in the colored schools of the county for their excellent work.

McDonald emphasized his appreciation to every person in Hoke county who had a part in any way, working or contributing toward making the drive a success and keeping the county's record intact.

W. L. Poole To Be Next Mayor Of Raeford

ROWLAND WITHDRAWS SIX RUNNING FOR COMMISSIONER

CITY ELECTION MONDAY

When the last time for filing of candidates for Mayor and commissioners of the town of Raeford came around last Thursday there were two candidates for mayor to be placed on the ticket and six for the board of commissioners. G. B. Rowland and W. L. Poole were at that time running for mayor and Clarence Lyton, A. V. Sanders, Milton Campbell, Alfred Cole, John K. McNeill and J. D. McKeithan. Since filing, however, Rowland, a former mayor, has withdrawn his name leaving Poole the nomination for mayor without a contest.

The primary will be held at the town hall next Monday, April 7 and the formality of election, required by law, will be held in the same place on Monday, May 5, 1947.

Registration books were open through last Saturday for the registration of voters and they will be open next Saturday, April 5, for challenge day.

Of those running for the town offices' only two are present officials. These are Milton Campbell and A. V. Sanders, both commissioners. Neill McFadyen, retiring mayor, is not running.

Recorder Hears Few Cases Tuesday

Only five cases were disposed of at the Tuesday morning session of Hoke County Recorder's court before Judge Henry McDiarmid, and one of these was simply forfeiture of a bond by non-appearance of the defendant. Nathaniel Williams, colored, got a 30-day sentence suspended on payment of the costs for being drunk and disorderly.

Steve Calianan, white tourist, was charged with violating the prohibition laws and being drunk and disorderly. He did not appear and his bond of \$50 was forfeited.

George Graham, Scotland county colored man, got 30 days suspended on payment of the costs for giving a bad check when he paid the check.

Walter Barefoot, white, got 60 days suspended on payment of \$50 and costs for driving drunk.

William C. Clark, white, was charged with abandonment and insufficient support for his family. He was found guilty and sentenced to two years on the roads, sentence to be suspended for so long as he pays his wife, Pauline Clark \$40 a month for the support of their children. The defendant gave notice of appeal and bond was set at \$200.

HOLDUP MAN GETS SHOT

At about four o'clock yesterday morning a taxicab from Fayetteville drove up to Bill's Club on the Fayetteville road, according to local peace officers, with the driver under a pistol in the hand of a soldier. The soldier was in the act of ordering gas for the cab when he took too long a look at the service station attendant. When he did this the driver jumped him and took the weapon. In the ensuing struggle the driver received a powder burn and the soldier was wounded, not critically, two or three times.

The affair was investigated by the military police from Fort Bragg who departed with the soldier, so names of those involved were not available.

Poole's Medley

BY D. SCOTT POOLE

Editorily The Charlotte Observer Monday morning stated that American Communists voluntarily went before a Congressional committee and expressed their extremist and contempt and disrespect for everything American.

In the face of everything unfavorable and helpful the American Government is going ahead and doing all it is able to do for all they discover in need. That is a commendable spirit.

A man who has been governor of Pennsylvania, and Ambassador to two or more European countries gave expression to the most fearful statement as to the dangers that threaten our country we have yet heard spoken or written. I will not repeat, but what I say to myself I say to all, "If you must die, die with our head up."

Fear is the greatest suffering that can come to any one, so avoid it if you can. Place your faith in The Eternal God, do right by the world and cast fear to the winds.

We expect the future to provide a great deal more for the present world, and we have opportunity to prepare for a great deal happier existence in the future, so why fear.

The writer of this column has had an exceptionally good life of this present existence, and he has no fearful forebodings for the future - and he means to exist happily and peacefully as he has for many years.

Make a better yield of every crop you plant this year, and gather and sell it for more money than usual; pay your debts, Live peaceably with all men, and ask

none of them any odds in any matter.

We are each left in charge of one man. Let us see that that man lives orderly and is respected because he is a good and orderly citizen - me and you.

Mules have almost displaced horses, still I rather work horses, and feel safer while I am at it. Josh Billings said anybody can work a mule, provided his life is not worth any more than the mule's.

We boys used to jam up a crowd of yearlings in the jam of the fence, and two would hold while the third climbed on the yearling's back and they turned that yearling loose and he took that third boy to ride, while he could stay on that yearling's back.

When a man or boy catches two or more good sized fish he feels proud of the accomplishment. And, if he catches a number of small fish even he is proud. My chum and I went to Drowning creek one night and caught 23 each from four to six inches long, and we had almost half a wash-tub full.

I was ten years old when I saw Fayetteville first, and a train came into town just after dark, and he thing blew the loudest kind right near me. I was frightened.

The goods in the stores then were much prettier than they are now, I could not see how a man who had a store full of such pretty things should not be very happy all the time.

Red striped candy was not only very pretty, but the best stuff anybody ever ate, and I was a

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