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Ball Park Lights

The local American Legion
post last year took as its pro-
ject the developing of athlet-
ics in the high school here.

They set as their ultimate
goal the installation of lights in
the county's baseball park
here, where the high school
plays football also, in order
that these games might be
played at night.

All concerned agree that
lights in the park would make
high school athletics self-sup-
porting and would greatly
add to the recreational facili-
ties of everyone in the com-
munity.

The Legion post has offered
to put up half the money if
the county will put up the other
half. The county, although
it has spent a considerable
sum for the park fence, has
an opinion from the state at-
torney general to the effect
that the people must vote
such an expenditure before it
may be made.

ASHLEY
HEIGHTS NEWS

By Mrs. Ralph Cothran

Mr. and Mrs. David Jones and
family spent Sunday with Mrs.
Jones' sister, Mrs. Churchill, at
Cameron.

Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Green and
family spent Sunday with Mr.
Green's sister in Hillsboro.

Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Hardister
visited in Carthage Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Carwel Almond
and family spent Sunday in Dur-
ham visiting Mr. and Mrs. W. P.
Porterfield.

Mr. and Mrs. D. R. Huff, Jr. of
Raleigh spent the past week here
in the homes of Mr. and Mrs. N.
F. Sinclair and Mr. and Mrs. D.
R. Huff.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. L. R. and
R. R. Cothran and their families
spent Sunday in Raleigh. They
went especially to take Miss Kath-
leen Cothran, and enjoyed a pic-
nic lunch at a park there. They
returned by Willow Springs for a
visit with Mr. and Mrs. R. Fish
and Mrs. P. V. Sanders.

Stocks of corn on farms through-
out the county on April 1 were
25 percent larger than on April
1 last year.

THAT'S RICH!

A National Contributor's Column

By Rich Fowler

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MEMORIAL DAY 1947

This is a quiet day —
The clouds on high
Wash the calm surface of a new-glazed sky
As they majestically glide their way.

I do remember in another land
A day like this, so deep and blended blue —
There were small puffs of white in that sky, too,
And on that ground, Death also was at hand.

I knew not then that I should see this day
And stand between these tidy rows of white —
I know not why they lie six feet in night,
While I stand in the blessed light, and pray:

"O, Father — grant that Peace for which they fought
And make us worthy of their —
Grant Justice for all men, that their great price
Be paid not vainly — Peace, so dearly bought!"
—Lumpy, Middletown, Mo.

SO UNSTEADY IS THE condition of the World, that by the time
these lines appear in print, a new war may have started. This is a
sudden age we live in, and the old practice of declaring a war before
the shooting started

IS NOW VERY MUCH OUT OF FASHION. Having spent almost
five years of my life in the army, I sincerely hope the world will be-
gin to learn that war, like crime, doesn't pay.

IF THE WORLD REALLY LEARNED, if it could only memorize
its bitter

LESSONS AND REMEMBER TO LIVE in Law and Order among
Nations.

THERE WOULD BE NO NEED, after a few generations,
OF MEMORIAL DAYS!

HOW RIGHT YOU ARE!

The cemeteries are just full of people who said: "It must be all
right—the neighbors do it."
—Ruby Redd, Troy, N. Y.

RETURN TO HOME

My mother told me I should stay
Until I'd put my meal away;
But I'd no time, so I said No
I had too many miles to go.

"Son," my weeping mother said,
"I've put clean sheets upon your bed."
But I said No For I was bound
To sleep afar on muddy ground.

My mother said: "The girl next door
Has asked for you ten times or more."
But I said: "Tell her she must find
A man who's crippled, halt or blind."

At last my mother told me: "Son,
Come not again till you have won."
Now I lie snug within my Mother,
And every foe man is my brother.
—B. N. K., Elmwood, Ill.

WORDS OF WISDOM

One does well to listen carefully to fools—for there is no man
who babbles without sometimes speaking wisdom.
—Maximus, Putman, Conn.

TRAFFIC THOUGHT FOR TODAY

A Holiday is a good time to remember that Death never really
takes a.

MOTHER GOOSE REVISED

Early to bed and early to rise
And you won't be puttin' those drops in your eyes!
—Walo Worrywart, Armory, Miss.

PLEASE PASS THE LADYFINGERS!

Dear Rich:
Headline in the paper says:
LONG GLOVES
FOR DINNER?
WELL, MAYBE
Gosh, has the food shortage gotten THAT bad?
—Dale of Riverdale, Mich.

A VERY GOOD QUESTION

"A little hard work never hurt anybody," says a self-made man.
Shucks, no—but where do you find a LITTLE?
—Eleanora, Pecos, Tex.

REMINDS ME OF THE ONE about the fellow who developed an
AWFUL CRICK IN HIS NECK, lying around on a
HARD JOB.

WITH NOTHING "OVER HIM" but a little old thin
STRAW BOSS!

PARTING SHOTS

"...we shall not rest...if you break faith with us..."
—R. F.

MORE ABOUT
Poole's Medley

voted 2 to 1 against Repeal. The
majority of those voters are Dem-
ocrats and constitute the back-
bone of the Democratic Party in
North Carolina. Now they are be-
ing treated as step-children.

seem to desire to enslave all hu-
manity. Labor is publishing large ads in
the daily papers claiming the
government is endeavoring to
prevent them as free men to earn
a livelihood. This is untrue. They
seem to desire to enslave all hu-
manity.

Dorothy Thompson
To Be Farm-Home
Week Speaker

An invitation to speak at the
1947 Farm and Home Week to be
held on the State College Cam-
pus August 25-29, has been ac-
cepted by Dorothy Thompson,
noted journalist and world-wide
traveler, according to a joint an-
nouncement this week from Mrs.
Glenn Duncan, president of the
N. C. Federation of Home Dem-
onstration Clubs, and John W.
Goodman, assistant director of the

State College Extension Service
and secretary of the event.

Th nationally known writer is
scheduled to speak before a spe-
cial meeting of the women at the
Raleigh City Auditorium the morn-
ing of August 28 at 11 o'clock.

Miss Thompson, whose column
appears in daily newspapers
throughout the country, has re-
cently returned from a trip through
Poland and other European coun-
tries.

Tobacco Plants
Available In Georgia
And Florida

Tobacco growers in North Car-
olina who are not able to get en-
ough plants from local stock
this year may fill out their crop
with plants from Georgia and
Florida, according to an announce-
ment this week from Roy R. Ben-
nett, tobacco specialist with the
State College Extension Service.
"I am advised by the Georgia
and Florida Extension Services",
he said "that there are large sup-
plies of tobacco plants available
in those states for immediate
transplanting."

"Growers who feel that they
will be unable to get sufficient
plants locally for this year's crop,

Facts Concerning The
Re-Issuance Of
Driver Licenses

In accordance with the law
passed by the 1947 General As-
sembly of North Carolina requir-
ing the re-issuance of Motor Ve-
hicle drivers licenses, the follow-
ing schedule has been made: the
period beginning July 1, 1947, and
ending on December 31, 1947, is
the time for all drivers license
holders, whose sur-names begin
with the letters A or B to apply
for new licenses. Persons whose
names do not begin with one of
the above letters cannot apply for
re-issuance of license in this per-
iod.

The period beginning January
1, 1948, and ending on June 30,
1948, will be the time for all op-
erators whose sur-names begin
with either of the letters C or D
to apply for re-issuance of licenses.
All Motor Vehicle drivers whose
sur-names begin with a letter
other than A, B, C, or D will be
notified by press releases at the
proper time as to when they
should appear for the re-exami-
nation.

The operator's license issued
under the 1947 Safety Act shall
automatically expire on the birth-
day of the licensee in the fourth
year following the year of issuan-
ce, and no license shall be issued
to any operator after the expira-
tion of his license until such op-
erator has again passed the re-
quired examination.

Everyone will get a complete
examination. The examination is
made up of four parts. These parts
are: (1) An Eye test (2) Highway
Sign test (3) Driving Rules test
(4) Road test.

The poorest visual reading that
will permit passing with glasses
is 20/50. This may be with both
eyes together, or it may be with
best eye alone. The Sign test con-
sists of the showing to the ap-
plicant several pictures containing
Highway Warning signs. The ap-
plicant will be requested to tell
what a driver should do when he
comes to such a sign. Inability to
read is not grounds for denying
a drivers license. The Rule sec-
tion of the examination consists
of twenty-five simple questions
that deal with the safe operation
of a motor vehicle. The Road test
will consist of a drive of some
twelve to fifteen city blocks. In
the past some applicants have be-
gun road tests with the under-
standing that the Examiner would
tell him to pass red lights, exceed
speed limits, and otherwise drive
improperly. This, however, has
not been the policy in North Car-
olina nor will it be during this
re-issuance.

Previous practices governing
the issuance and use of Learners
Permits will not be changed. The
only change that will occur with
respect to fees charged will be
the increase in the cost of an op-
erator's license from one to two
dollars.

KNOW YOUR VETERANS
(Sgt. Edward S. Coley)

On a farm, located about 7 miles
from Raeford, resides Carl J.
McNeill, Jr. 24, son of Mr. and
Mrs. Carl J. McNeill. Carl Jr.
finished Raeford High School in
1940.

One day Carl Jr. received his
" greetings " from Uncle Sam and
promptly reported to Fort Bragg.
Carl laughed when he mentioned
Fort Bragg and then told me why.
He said that when he completed
his physical examination, a Ser-
geant approached him and ask
him what branch of the Army he
would like to enter.

Carl, being a bewildered "roo-
ky", replied that he would like the
Navy. The Sgt. told him that he
couldn't be in the Navy because
he was now a full-fledged soldier.
He made up his mind then and
there that he would make the best
of the situation and be a good
soldier. He did just that and has
a clean record all the way through.
He was first sent to Camp
Blanding, Florida for 12 weeks of
rugged Infantry basic training.
After 12 weeks were over he was
given a 10-day furlough before
reporting to Fort Meade, Mary-
land.

One day he set sail across the
blue Atlantic Ocean to the Eu-
ropean Theatre of Operations.
There he was assigned to the now
famous 30th Division. He stayed
with this division during all his
overseas duty.
Finally in November 1945, he
went to La Havre, France, after
fighting through France and into
Germany. From La Havre, France
he went on a boat to sail to the
dearest land of all, the good old
United States. He was discharged
on December 15, 1945 and return-
ed home.
Today he is living a quiet and
peaceful life on his farm.

MORE ABOUT
SCHOOL NEWS

John Allen Steele delivered the
vaedictory address.

A vocal solo "Oley Speaks" was
rendered by Jack Lawrence just
before the address.

After the address by Dr. Clark
the choral club gave another num-
ber. Prizes and awards were then
delivered. Next the diplomas were
awarded by A. S. Gaston, princi-
pal. The choral club gave "Get
Away Jordan" and a short talk
was made by K. A. McDonald,
county superintendent.

The class song came next af-
ter which the benediction was
pronounced and the class of 1947
became history.

A list of those receiving prizes
and awards will be given in next
week's school news.

The Trade and Industry Depart-
ment of the Upchurch school is
now receiving applications for a
trades class of G. I.'s. All who are
interested should contact C. H.
Thiopen, head of this department.

All colored schools in the county
were closed by Wednesday. A
few that taught extra Saturdays
closed on Monday and Tuesday.
The Freedom PTA and school
have started raising money for a
lunchroom for their school. They
hope to have it ready for use next
fall.

Laurel Hill is also making
plans for a lunchroom and have

some money in the treasury. They
hope to have theirs ready to use
next winter.

It is hoped that other schools
will profit by the example of the
above mentioned and make plans
either to improve their present
facilities or put in a lunchroom.

The schools that operated lunch-
rooms this year were Burlington,
Bowmore, Friendship, Laurel Hill,
Lilly's Chapel, Millside, Freedom,
White Oak and Rockfish Colored.

The Upchurch school is plan-
ning a combination lunchroom
and cannery building. They have
on hand quite a bit of the funds
for building, and hope to get
started early in the summer. The
school, the county wide PTA and
friends of the school are raising
the funds for this building.

The Timberland school had a
May Day program and picnic din-
ner at the school last Friday. A
large attendance of patrons was
had and all enjoyed the occasion.

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From where I sit... by Joe Marsh
Want to Run a
"Collective" Farm?
Was reading the other day about
the "collective" farms they have in
certain countries. It seems the
folks who run them have plenty of
help... good hours... and the
best equipment.
Sounds pretty nice—till you
learn that the "farmer" doesn't
own his land, or even farm it, in
our sense. He takes orders from
the state; produces what they
want, at prices they set. Even his
off-hours are spent according to
state regulations.
That wouldn't go here. We're
proud of our farms... but prouder
still of the right to make our own
rules. That goes not just for farm-
ers, but for every American indus-
try. Like the brewers' program of
Self-Regulation which sees to it
that taverns selling beer are de-
cent, law-abiding places.
From where I sit, we've gone
a lot further in this country with
self-regulation than other nations
have with strict controls. Let's
never change.
Joe Marsh
Advt.
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