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CHAMBER OF COMMERCE MEETING FRIDAY

ADDENDA

By The Editor

ALL TEEN-AGE boys and girls of the county are invited to a square dance to be held at the high school gymnasium tonight. A good string band has been secured and the affair will last from 7:45 to 10:30. The affair is under the auspices of the Recreation commission which is supervising the recreation program at the high school this summer.

CHARLES B. DEANE, Congressman from this district who made the commencement address at the high school here last month, was sent \$25 for his expenses in coming here. When Mr. Deane saw in The News-Journal that money was being raised for the recreation project he sent the \$25 back to be used in that fund. Pretty nice gesture, we think.

REAL HARD LUCK was the lot of Mr. and Mrs. Guy Taylor and children Monday morning when a spark from the chimney set a fire the house in which they lived on the Lentz farm near here. Their entire clothing and household goods were completely destroyed. The house was a total loss for the landlord also, as it was not insured.

A NEW CHEVROLET TRUCK will be on display Saturday in the showroom of the Hoke Auto company here, according to Younger Snead, manager. He says that the new truck will have an advance design which has as a basic concept the comfort of the driver and he invites all who are interested in trucks to see the showing.

OVER A HUNDRED young baseball hopefuls were given the once-over at Armory Park here last Friday and Saturday by Scouts Harry Hesse, Taylor Sanford and Frank Novasel of the New York Yankees, who conducted a try-out camp here those two days.

OUR BASEBALL TEAM of the Peach Belt League lost a good chance to take over top spot in the league standings when they lost to the league-leading Southern Pines team here yesterday, 8-7. They have managed to hold on to the second spot so far in spite of three defeats by Southern Pines and one by Hamlet. The locals defeated the Bennettsville team there last Saturday night 10-6. They have won eight games and lost four for a percentage of .666.

JAMES C. LENTZ, who recently finished a mortician's course at a Philadelphia school, has taken over the business of the McDiarmid Funeral home, which he will operate under the name of the "James C. Lentz Mortuary." He has purchased the new home recently constructed on the Aberdeen road by W. L. Poole and will run the business there. He plans to install a chapel and an otherwise modern and complete funeral home. Mr. McDiarmid and Mr. McFadyen will continue to be associated with the business.

BOLL WEEVIL are worse this year than they have ever been, according to Tommie Upchurch, who has been doing some extensive checking on the subject. He predicts that if farmers don't take some effective action right away they and the area will lose many thousand dollars they would otherwise have coming in on the cotton crop this fall.

North Carolina's production of rye is estimated at 264,000 bushels for 1947, compared with 275,000 bushels produced in 1946.

Three Defendants Under Bond For Superior Court

ONLY 4 CASES HEARD BY RECORDER IN SHORT SESSION

Matthew Phair, colored man is alleged to have assaulted his father-in-law near here week before last with a shotgun, waived preliminary hearing in Recorder's court Tuesday morning and was held under a bond of \$500 for trial in Superior court. He posted bond.

Robert McNair, colored man, charged with breaking and entering the smokehouse of J. C. Thomas at Antioch and removing some meat therefrom, also waived preliminary hearing. Bond was set at \$200.

Willie Thomas, colored man who was charged with entering the safe at the Farmer's Furnishing company here and removing several hundred dollars, waived preliminary hearing and is being held for Superior court under a bond of \$500.

William Woodell, white, pleaded guilty of driving drunk and was sentenced to 60 days on the roads, sentence to be suspended on payment of \$50 and the court costs and \$10 mileage to the deputy sheriff who fetched him from Bladen county. He got 30 days to be suspended on payment of the costs for being drunk and disorderly.

Clarence Gillespie, colored, paid the costs for driving a car with improper equipment on it.

Willie J. Eastman, colored, was found guilty of assaulting his estranged wife with a knife. Sentence was 90 days to be suspended on payment of \$10 and the costs.

Dougald Allred, white, and John Morgan, colored, each paid the costs for being drunk and disorderly.

Nurses Association Entertains District

The Fayetteville District No. 7 of the North Carolina State Nurses Association was hostess to the graduating classes from the four training schools in the district at the regular monthly meeting held at the North Carolina Sanatorium Wednesday afternoon June 11th. There were 85 members and visitors present among them students from Baker-Thompson Memorial Hospital, Lumberton; Highsmith Hospital, Fayetteville; Hamlet Hospital, Hamlet; and the North Carolina Sanatorium.

After the business session a tour of the Institution was made for the benefit of those who had not visited the Sanatorium before. Then the entire group enjoyed a picnic supper on the lawn.

P-80 Jet Plane At Maxton July 4

Maxton, North Carolina.—The fastest type of airplane in the world will be seen at the big air show being held in connection with the dedication of the Laurinburg-Maxton Airport to the public service on July 4th. Several P-80 jet planes from Washington, D. C., will take part in the program. One of these planes, the P-80R flew 623.8 miles per hour over a test course at Murdoc, California on June 19, 1947, setting a new world's record. It is hoped one of the visiting planes will be piloted by Colonel Ernest Beverly, a graduate of Presbyterian Junior College in the class of 1935 and a native of Laurinburg, N. C.

Distinguished Group To Attend Dedication Of Airport July 4

Matthew Phair, colored, who is former Governor J. Melville Broughton, Congressman J. Bayard Clark, E. C. Hemingway, head of the Veterans Administration in North Carolina, Colonel H. S. Craven of Fort Bragg, and Senator H. A. McKinnon of Lumberton have accepted invitations to be honor guests of Laurinburg and Maxton at the dedication of the airport with a big air show on July 4th. Other honor guests have been invited and their acceptance is anticipated soon, including many mayors of nearby towns and cities in North and South Carolina and presidents of civic clubs.

The program committee has announced an insurance policy giving public liability coverage of from \$50 thousand to \$500 thousand dollars and property damage coverage of \$250 thousand had been arranged to protect the P-80 army jet planes and marine and navy F6F planes. Arrangements have been made for free prizes to ticket holders and for the barbecue dinner and for bath house facilities for those who wish to swim in the morning between the light aircraft races and the dedication ceremony and airshow of the afternoon.

Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, who led Allied armies to victory in North Africa and Europe, will become President of Columbia University when he is relieved as Army Chief of Staff, probably early next year.

Gen. Omar N. Bradley, the Veterans Administrator, was regarded as Eisenhower's likely successor in the Army's top job.

Start Softball Play Tomorrow; Old Men Only

A softball league has been organized for the men of Raeford over 30 years of age. Three games a week will be played and the field at Pasture Park will be used as in years past.

The league consists of a team from the Presbyterian, Baptist and Methodist churches and another team to be called the Independents. Games will start at 6:00 p. m. on Monday, Wednesday and Friday afternoons.

The first game will be tomorrow afternoon with the Methodist opposing the Presbyterians.

Schedule for the first round is as follows: June 27, Methodist vs Presbyterians; July 2, Presbyterians vs Baptist; July 7, Independents vs Methodists; July 9, Baptists vs Methodists; July 11, Independents vs Presbyterians; July 14, Independents vs Baptists. Standing will be published after each round. The league is being sponsored by the recreation commission and there will be no charge for games.

KIWANIS NIGHT SUNDAY

Next Sunday evening there will be a Kiwanis night service at the Presbyterian church. The service is for all, and all Kiwanians and their families are urged to be present by Rev. W. L. Maness, chairman of the Kiwanis committee on support of churches. The guest minister will be Reverend V. E. McQueen of Haymount Methodist church, Fayetteville.

Production of peaches in North Carolina is indicated at 3,383,000 bushels for this year.

Poole's Medley

BY D. SCOTT POOLE

Bob Feller's father always wanted to play baseball but never had the opportunity to do so. When he was married and had a son he started him practicing throwing the ball at the age of five. When Bob was twelve he played in his first game. After long years of hard practice he went to the major leagues and became one of the fastest and best pitchers in baseball history. Hard work and practice has its reward.

No band of the many bands of robbers robbing in this country ever did so much rascally business as the "Farm Loan Banks" and the Mortgage Company doing business in this state after World War I.

Eight-five cents for a watermelon seems high, but that price is low compared to some we read of.

I grew a watermelon once which had but three seeds in it, and it was the sweetest melon I ever remember eating. If all melons were like that we would soon run out of melons.

The people of the United States are not making enough to pay the present cost of living. The prices of everything we use daily have doubled and there is not any excuse for it. All twenty-five cent medicines went up to thirty-five cents in time of World War I and stayed that way. Everything has done just that again.

It was said that a fertilizer company sold several acres of red dirt down near Wilmington for \$40 a ton. Later fertilizer had to be of some value and that Wil-

Tobacco Market Openings Listed At Meet Tuesday

OPERATIONS TO START ON BORDER BELT AUGUST 7TH

Raleigh, June 25.—Marketing of the 1947 flue-cured tobacco crop will begin July 24, the same date as last year, on the Georgia-Florida belt. From there the auctioneer's chant will move northward through the leaf country of the Carolinas and Virginia.

A 15-man committee composed of five buyers, five warehousemen and five growers, representing the three branches of the industry, yesterday set these opening dates for the other belts: North-South Carolina Border—Thursday, August 7; Eastern (North Carolina) — Monday, August 25; Middle — Monday, September 15; Old North Carolina (Virginia) — Tuesday, September 23; and Virginia dark fire-cured belt — Monday, December 8.

The committee, performing for the first time the duties formerly left to the Tobacco Association of the United States, also set the speed of sales on all markets at 400 piles an hour, and limited the maximum weight of each pile to 250 pounds.

The Georgia-Florida belt will open with five selling hours daily for each set of buyers, the committee decided. When the Eastern belt opens August 25, sales on the Georgia-Florida belt will be automatically cut 40 per cent.

Border belt markets will open with a four-hour daily sales period for each set of buyers, reducing to three and a half hours when the middle belt opens. When the Old Belt opens, sales will be reduced 40 per cent on Border markets, based on the four-hour selling time.

The Eastern belt also will operate on the basis of four hours per day selling time, but automatically will be curtailed to three and a half hours with the opening of Middle belt markets, which will be allowed four hours of selling time the first two weeks and three and a half hours a day thereafter.

The same sales schedule applies to the Old belt for its first two weeks of operation. After that the committee will decide on whether to revert Old belt markets to three and a half hours or continue all flue-cured markets then operating on a four-hour sales basis.

Headed by Fred S. Royster of Henderson, the committee will serve during the coming season as the arbiter of all controversies arising out of the marketing regulations governing speed of sales, and sizes of piles, and will have sole authority for declaring sales holidays and speed-up and slow-downs in sales.

Royster, at the outset of the committee's all-day session, emphasized that the group's authority did not extend to action upon a request for transfer of a market from one belt to another.

The committee also decided:

1. The U. S. Department of Agriculture's grading service should continue for its second session the administration of sales regulations.
2. The practice of "pan-caking" or mixing of tobacco grades in baskets, should be eliminated, with growers urged to remove strings from their offerings prior to sale.
3. It would be advisable for growers not to place their offerings on floors too far in advance of sales, since such practice resulted in damaged offerings.

OVER TWO HUNDRED BUSINESS PEOPLE OF COUNTY EXPECTED

Group Plans To Promote Business Welfare Of County And Town

A meeting of all the business, professional and other people who are interested in the business future of Raeford and Hoke County is planned to take place in the courthouse here at eight o'clock tomorrow night.

The meeting is open to all who are in business in the county or who are interested in any business in the county and to all who are interested in the future of the town and county. It

Recreation Program Is Proving Popular

The summer recreation program sponsored by the Hoke-Raeford PTA, the Women's Club and the Home Demonstration clubs got started last week under the direction of Coach Haywood Faircloth and attendance has been fairly good so far, according to the coach.

He says that there have been from 35 to 40 grammar school children present at the morning programs at the high school gymnasium. They play a wide variety of games at the morning sessions between the hours of 9:30 and 11:30.

In the afternoons Coach Faircloth supervises recreation at Rockfish creek. In spite of a cool weather last week there were about 50 present for swimming there daily, he states. Children who cannot swim are being taught to do so by Mr. Faircloth. Among those who have learned to swim so far are Bobby Leach, Doris Walker, Dick McFadyen, Regie Perkins, Jimmy Baker, Jimmy Clory, and Tony Clark.

The teen-agers meet at the gymnasium each evening from 7:45 to 10:30. The attendance for the teen-age group has been some below that of the others with only an average of 20 to 30 attending. Attendance from outside Raeford has not been great and these young people are invited.

Miss Virginia Watson Buried Yesterday

Miss Virginia Watson of Maxton, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Watson, died Tuesday morning in Duke Hospital after a long illness.

Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon at four o'clock at Center Church, Burial was in Watson Cemetery.

Surviving are three sisters, Mrs. Rosa McEachin of Parkton, Mrs. J. W. McNeill of Red Springs, Lula Watson of Maxton, and four brothers, D. N. Watson of Daystrom, N. P. Watson of Hoke County, D. J. Watson of Rowland and A. W. Watson of Gretna, Fla.

\$60 More Given To Recreation Fund

Six contributions totalling \$60 were reported as having been received this week for the summer recreation program which started June 16 under the direction of Coach Faircloth. This is not a complete list of the contributions during the week but the others have not been reported. Total now on hand is \$653.25.

Those contributing during the week were:

J. H. Blue	\$10.00
J. A. McGoogan	5.00
N. L. McFadyen	5.00
McDonald Essó Sta	10.00
Keith Beauty Parlor	5.00
C. B. Deane	25.00

FARM NOTES

By A. S. Knowles

Be sure to make application for the 5-acre cotton production and quality contest and the 3-acre corn production contest by July 1. The cotton contest is being conducted on county, district, and state levels. The corn contest is conducted on county level only. Several hundred dollars in prizes are being offered this year. Make application at the County Agent's office.

The county cotton contest winners last year were: Robert Flowers, tenant on T. B. Upchurch Farm, 1st. prize with a yield of 838 pounds lint per acre; Lewis Ellerbe, tenant on H. A. Cameron Farm, 2nd. prize with a yield of 808 pounds lint per acre; and Moses Covington, tenant on J. L. McNeill Farm, 3rd. prize with a yield of 705 pounds of lint per acre.

The corn contest winners were: M. L. Jones, tenant on T. B. Upchurch Farm, 1st. prize with a yield of 103 bushels per acre; I. L. Newton, 2nd. prize with 90.69 bushels per acre; and J. W. Caddell, Jr. 4-H Club member, 3rd. prize with 75 bushels per acre.

Dusting should be started to control mildew on cantaloupes and anthrax disease on watermelons. Use a dust containing 5 per cent metallic copper, derived from tri-basic copper sulphate, in a diluent such as talc. Two or more applications may be necessary.

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