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ADDENDA

By The Editor

NO CANNING will be done at the cannery at the school here next Monday, according to W. P. Phillips, High School vocational agriculture teacher who is manager. Mr. Phillips states that the cannery will be closed due to the fact that he and L. M. Lester, assistant teacher, are taking a group of the veteran agriculture trainees on a tour of the Oxford Experiment station that day.

IF YOUR NAME begins with A or B you must go to the courthouse some time between now and the end of this year and take an examination for a new driver's license. This is required by the new motor vehicle law which went into effect July 1. A license examiner is now at the courthouse on Thursday and Friday of each week and he asked that those who must get new licenses this year go ahead and do it so there will not be such a rush toward the end of the period.

WEWO, NEW RADIO STATION in Laurinburg, will not be on the air until around September 1, according to Jimmy Dalrymple, manager. The station closed its contest for a slogan this week with the following selection: "Wonderful Environment, Wonderful Opportunity," submitted by Dr. S. H. Fulton of Laurinburg. Dalrymple said that there were over 650 entries in the contest, many of which were from Hoke county.

ANOTHER SQUARE DANCE will be conducted at the High School gymnasium tonight by the county recreation commission to which all teen-age boys and girls of the county are invited. The affair will last from 7:45 to 10:30 and music will be provided by the same good string band which played for the dance there several weeks ago.

BILL CARTER, Carthage tobacco man, was in the office yesterday and brought us a sale schedule for the Cumberland County Warehouse in Fayetteville which he operates with his father and brother. This ad, together with one for the Fayetteville market which appears in this issue, gets us off a jump ahead of the farmers in getting a little money out of the tobacco season coming up. However, the jump the farmers takes will be a bigger one, we expect. Incidentally, the curing season seems to be really getting under way around here this week.

TOMMIE UPCHURCH will journey to Louisville today where the trustees of Louisville college will meet to select a new president to succeed Dr. Walter Patten, who died in March. Tommie is a member of a special committee named to secure a new president, and this committee is expected to make a unanimous recommendation to the trustees today.

Fayetteville Gets Better Stockyards

Opening of a new union stockyards at Fayetteville was announced by John A. Winfield, marketing specialist with the State Department of Agriculture, who said the improved facilities for marketing the expected increased production of livestock in the area would be a great help to farmers.

The new yards were erected by the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad at a cost of approximately \$20,000, and they replace the old yards situated in a congested uptown area.

Located near the railroad underpass on the Lillington-Raleigh highway, the new yards offer greatly expanded facilities for handling hogs and other livestock, Winfield said.

High School Pupils Visit Manteo; See "The Lost Colony"

by Mrs. A. D. Gore

On Wednesday of last week thirty-three Hoke High pupils, under the direction of Mrs. Arthur D. Gore, with Mrs. Chandler Roberts and James Lentz serving as chaperones, saw "The Lost Colony" at Old Fort Raleigh on Roanoke Island. The trip was made on a chartered bus, and the pupils spent the night in the Roanoke Camps.

En route a stop was made in historic Edenton where the boys and girls visited the St. Paul's Episcopal Church, the second oldest church standing in North Carolina, the Joseph Hewes House, the Cupola House, the Court House, and the site of the Edenton Tea Party.

A visit was also made to Wright Memorial where all the party climbed Kill Devil Hill and went to the top of the monument.

In the late afternoon a tour was made of Fort Raleigh, and the properties, scenery, and stage setting of the Waterside Theatre were inspected and studied.

Of course, to make the trip complete, all the group who had strength enough, had to climb a sand dune.

From the Indian dances celebrating the Corn Harvest when Sir Walter Raleigh's first expedition arrived on Roanoke Island to the march in the wilderness, every moment of the drama was most interesting and entertaining to the Hoke County young people. The pageant of "The Lost Colony" is well equal to a year's study of North Carolina history in our schools, for across a stage is vividly portrayed the events and activities that led to the first English settlement in America. Had it not been for the pioneer work of Sir Walter Raleigh and his associates, encouraged by Queen Elizabeth, the final permanent settlement at Jamestown would never have been attempted or effected.

PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Chesnut of New Jersey left last Friday to visit Mr. Chesnut's relatives in Charleston, S. C. after a visit here in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. McFadyen.

Mrs. Mildred Brinkley and children, Gloria, Millie and Johnny, left Tuesday for a 10-day vacation at Ocean View, Virginia.

Mr. and Mrs. Jessie Gullede, Misses Martha Ben, Nita and Sara Jane Gullede, and Eleanor Leach spent the past week end at Myrtle Beach.

Mrs. and Mrs. Roy Conoly had as their guests last week Mrs. Conoly's father, Charlie Reynolds and Miss Jean Medkirk, both of Mt. Airy.

Mrs. James Stephens spent the week end and several days this week in Charlotte with her grandparents, Dr. and Mrs. H. C. Taylor.

James Currie, James Morris, Cecil Teal, Bruce Conoly, Dan Cox, and Milton Campbell spent the week end at Myrtle Beach.

Mrs. Howard Pope and son of Camp Lee, Virginia spent last Thursday and Friday here. They came to bring Mr. and Mrs. Pearl Sessoms and daughters home from a visit with them. Mrs. Pope was also accompanied by a friend.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen McGee of Winston-Salem spent the week end here with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Moon and daughters of Graham spent the week end here in the home of Mrs. Moon's mother, Mrs. W. E. Blue.

Cotton Specialist Hails New Poison As Weevil Control

JULE SHANKLIN, STATE COLLEGE MAN, TALKS TO KIWANIS CLUB

Jule Shanklin, cotton specialist at North Carolina State college in Raleigh, was guest speaker at the weekly meeting of the Raeford Kiwanis club here last Thursday night. In his talk he spoke of benzene hexachloride (BHC) dust as the most promising weapon against the boll weevil that the cotton farmer had yet run into.

Prior to his address Mr. Shanklin had been in the county inspecting fields, treated with BHC and discussing its use with Lewis and Tommie Upchurch, who are doing a pioneer work in testing the dust and developing its use. Hoke county is the only county in this state that the dust was used in extensively this year, he said, and great benefits are already obvious, although there is still time for further effective use.

The speaker, a talented man in his field who has devoted his life to making cotton farming more successful, went into some detail about the effectiveness of BHC as compared to other poisons and gave some interesting and convincing statistics to prove his points.

Mr. Shanklin has pioneered the annual 5 acre cotton contest staged for the promotion of greater yields of lint cotton and its promotion is still one of his activities.

His address was part of the program presented to the club by Dr. Julius Jordan and he was introduced by Tommie Upchurch.

Prior to Mr. Shanklin's talk Coach Haywood Faircloth, director of the recreation program being conducted at the High School, gave the club an interesting summary of his activities there to date. The program is in its sixth week and has two weeks to run.

Poole's Medley

BY D. SCOTT POOLE

The Mississippi flood of the past two weeks, reaching a high a few days ago, was the highest in 103 years. The government has done all possible it seems, but it occasionally gets beyond control.

You have heard old folks say, "A dry June for a good crop year", so that means a good crop year in 1947. But corn crops and truck crops are not good.

Congressman C. B. Deane is planning to have the Yadkin-Pee Dee river "bottled up", so the best of farming may be done in those rich river low grounds.

Ebb Ingram, one of the Pee Dee's best farmers, said he lost one crop in each four years, so he quit the river rich lands and bought and farmed on small sandhill farms where he could get half-crop tenants.

In the Bible we read of almost every musical instrument we have today. I suppose many of the things we read of were crude, perhaps, but some of those old cheap musical instruments were attuned to produce the sweetest of music. I recall a homemade banjo, a sifter rim, a coonskin head and horse hair strings made the sweetest of music.

I have outlived all my playmates and the companions of my youth all except a few. Those who used to sing and play fiddles and banjos with me have better musical instruments in their homes now I hope.

I never expect to hear better

Upchurch Vice-Pres. Of Potato Council

T. B. Upchurch of Raeford is the new vice-president of the Carolinas Sweet Potato council. He was elected at the group's second annual meeting at Florence last Friday. Edward Jones of Lake City was elected president, J. Y. Lassiter of Goldsboro, Secretary, and James Patterson, Timmonsville, treasurer.

Speakers at the meeting urged Carolina farmers to help change the thinking of the South so that sweet potatoes may come to be regarded as a major crop.

Funeral Held Here Last Saturday For Leon Ernest Brown

Leon Ernest Brown, 36-year-old native of Raeford, died in a hospital in Washington, D. C. at 2:00 a. m. last Thursday and was buried in the cemetery here on Saturday. He had been ill about six months.

He was a son of the late Claude E. Brown of Raeford, who died in 1920. His mother, now Mrs. C. A. Lilly, survives him. He had resided in Washington for some years where he was a building contractor.

Funeral services were conducted at his mother's home here Saturday afternoon at 4:00 o'clock by the Rev. W. B. Heyward, pastor of the Raeford Presbyterian church, assisted by the Rev. W. L. Maness, pastor of the Methodist church and the Rev. J. D. Whisnant, pastor of the Baptist church. Burial followed in the cemetery here.

Surviving are his widow, the former Miss Emma Howell of Berryville, Va.; his mother; three brothers, J. T. Brown of California, M. C. Brown of Washington, D. C., and C. E. Brown of Red Springs; one sister, Mrs. C. W. Harris of Raeford.

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harmony than I heard ringing over the hills, and re-echoing up or down Drowning Creek low grounds, than a crowd of boys singing as they plowed, or perhaps halted long enough to sing a verse of a tune. It was almost perfect harmony.

As good hunting dog as I ever went into the woods hunting with was a medium sized fice. I cannot spell the name of those dogs. That dog lay two days and nights by his master's cot which he had forgotten and left in the woods. The poor dog was nearly starved.

I have lived to see many changes. I remember seeing reaphooks. I used the grain cradle, and now we have "combindes". The first separators were run by tread power. A horse or mule kept walking in a box, a tread power that turned the sand wheel that operated a thresher.

Our community was noted for its openhanded hospitality. James L. Currie, I believe, entertained more people, kept open house more than anyone else perhaps, although everybody was friendly to strangers who might pass that way. And, Jackson Springs drew a large number of people seeking restoration of health, and that mineral water had a fine reputation as a health restorer.

Uncle Jake Clark and Jake McFadyen were slaves. Uncle Jake Clark married Foeba Armstrong after the war. She was typical of her race. She said when (Continued on page 4)

Tobacco Growers To Pay At First Sale

Warehousemen will collect an assessment of ten cents an acre from the flue-cured tobacco farmers of the Carolinas, the board of directors of Tobacco Associates, Inc., has decided.

The board, meeting in Raleigh last Friday, said the collection would be made at the first sale of each farmer, with the warehouseman stamping the farmer's allotment card with the amount of the assessment collected.

The levy is applicable to flue-cured growers of the Carolinas and to any sales farmers of those states may make elsewhere. Warehousemen in other states are authorized to make collections on sales of tobacco from the Carolinas.

The assessment was voted on July 12 by farmers to promote exports.

Ginners To Meet At Hartsville

The Carolinas Ginners association will hold its 1947 convention at Hartsville, S. C., on July 28, Fred P. Johnson of the N. C. Department of Agriculture and executive secretary of the association, announced in Raleigh last week.

Speakers will include: Frank Jeter, extension leader at N. C. State college; Charles A. Bennett, engineer in charge of the U. S. gin laboratory at Stoneville, Miss.; and Floyd A. Bondy, entomologist with the Pee Dee experiment station at Florence, S. C.

Rescue Service At Pope Field

There is a branch of the Army Air Force that's in existence today solely to save lives. It's personnel are constantly undergoing training and are constantly devising new and better means of locating missing aircraft and saving the lives of the survivors. This branch of the AAF is The Air Rescue Service.

Air Rescue Squadron "A", stationed at Pope Field, is responsible for locating missing aircraft and rescuing any survivors in North Carolina, South Carolina, Virginia, Maryland, Delaware, and West Virginia, and in parts of Georgia, Tennessee, Kentucky, Indiana, Ohio, Pennsylvania, and New Jersey.

The squadron uses a variety of aircraft including the B-17 flying fortress with a droppable sea going lifeboat, the C-47 Skytrain, the L-5 Sentinel, the OA-10 or PB5 as it is called by the navy and the Sikorsky helicopter which recently played such a prominent role in the rescue of seven men who parachuted from a burning B-17 over the jungles of Nicaragua. There is also a wide variety of survival equipment ranging from handie talkie radios and snow shoes to collapsible canoes and mercy bombs.

On Air Force Day, August 1, 1947, the Air Force Association will sponsor a display of the nations airpower; the airpower that is peace power; and although Air Rescue Service is dedicated to the saving of lives, it's part in this air power is very marked. The constant training it carries on, in search and rescue activities in both military and civilian emergencies, is invaluable asset to any airforce.

Some of the rescue techniques, as used by ARS, will be demonstrated for the public at the Air Force Day open house at Pope Field. There will be a display of the various survival equipment and air to ground communication. In this demonstration the public will actually hear, over a public address system, conversation between the ARS radio jeep on the ground and an ARS aircraft in the air.

Mother-In-Law Charges Assault Unsuccessfully

RECORDER SENTENCES 1 IN CROSS INDICTMENT OVER ARGUMENT

In a brief session of Hoke County recorder's court Tuesday morning the case in which Grady Love, colored, was charged with assaulting his wife came up for trial. The indictment against Love had been sworn out by his mother-in-law and when the trial came up Love's wife, whom he was charged with beating, would not testify against him. Judge McDiarmid ordered the case held open for further investigation by county welfare department.

C. M. Jackson, white man of the county, was indicted on affidavit of Warren Phillips, also white, on charge of having assaulted Phillips in a store which Jackson operates. It appears that an argument developed there over a light cord and Jackson was charged with getting out his pistol for use in the argument, which he apparently won the first round of. He was found guilty of assault with a deadly weapon. Sentence of 90 days was to be suspended on payment of \$25 and the costs. He appealed and posted a bond of \$200.

Phillips was charged by Jackson with trespassing and found not guilty.

Claud Tyler, white man charged with driving drunk, was found not guilty.

Will McLean, colored, was found guilty of carrying a shotgun away from his own premises on Sunday. Prayer for judgment was continued on payment of the costs.

Elijah Dial, Indian, was charged with violating the prohibition laws by possessing a little home brew. Sentence of 30 days was suspended on payment of the costs.

Joe Chason, white, Henry Handon and Thurman Clark, both colored, were each charged with being drunk and disorderly and each paid the costs.

Charles H. Brown, colored, was charged with violating the road laws by driving a truck without a proper driver's license. Sentence of 30 days was suspended on payment of the costs and he was directed to obtain the license.

George Jacobs, white tourist, forfeited a \$25 bond when he failed to appear for trial on a charge of speeding.

Drop In Sandhills Peach Production

Production of peaches in the Sandhills area of North Carolina is estimated at 1,522,000 bushels, it was reported by the Crop Reporting Service in the State Department of Agriculture.

This is a decline of six per cent from last year's crop of 1,625,000 bushels but about 21 per cent larger than the 10-year (1936-45) average production.

The estimate includes all peaches, commercial and non-commercial, produced in Anson, Hoke, Montgomery, Moore, Richmond and Scotland counties. The bulk of the peaches produced in these counties enter commercial channels.

The estimate marks the first time production of peaches has been estimated for the Sandhills area and shown separately from the total crop grown in North Carolina. Total peach crop in the State is estimated at 3, 104,000 bushels, or two per cent greater than in 1946 and 57 per cent greater than the 10-year average production. According to these estimates, about 49 per cent of the prospective peach crop in North Carolina will be produced in the Sandhills area.

Scouts Make Trip Down Cape Fear To Wilmington

A canoe trip down the Cape Fear river from Fayetteville was started Monday morning by eight Boy Scouts, including one from Raeford.

Making the trip were Lockie MacDonald of Raeford, James Trawick, Randolph Lewis and Joe Barnes of Wilmington, Billy Mitchell of Fairmont, Williams Purcell of Wagram, and Ed Bass and John Kennedy of Fayetteville.

The voyagers are members of the junior staff at Camp Singletary, Cape Fear area recreation place for scouts. Each is a scout life guard and is capable of taking take of himself in the water.

Sponsored by the Cape Fear area council, the voyage was expected to terminate at the customs house dock in Wilmington late yesterday or early today, depending on the weather.

The scouts embarked in four canoes, each carrying two men, one extra paddle, food and duffel, securely lashed to the canoe so as not to be lost if the canoe should turn over.

FARM NOTES

By A. S. Knowles

Hoke County tobacco farmers will have an opportunity to study and see the results of the use of tobacco at the Oxford Tobacco Experiment Station next Monday, July 28, at 1:00 P. M. All farmers planning to make this tour are asked to get lunch in Oxford or other places in time to be at the station promptly at 1:00 P. M. The station is located a short distance from Oxford. The information that can be obtained from this trip can well be worth hundreds of dollars.

Farmers having cotton or corn to be certified by the N. C. Crop Improvement Association should make application by August 1. Application blanks may be secured at County Agent's office.

This is National Farm Safety Week—July 20-26. Every farmer should stop for a moment and make a survey of the dangers about his farm. It may be a step that needs repair or it may be a fence or wire about the barn. Every year has its accidents; usually careless accidents about the farm. Let's prevent this kind of accidents on your farm. Every week & every day should find farmers and others taking precautions against accidents. Be safe every day and avoid accidents.

Cotton boll weevil infestation continues to climb in Hoke County. The big migration is now on. Some cotton fields are showing 50 to 80% infestation. As squares get scarcer and boll weevil more numerous, young bolls are being punctured. It is these bolls that must be saved if we are to make a crop of cotton this year.

Dusting cotton is the only way to save it from destruction by weevil this year. Farmers should use every effective control available. The entomologist recommend 8 to 10 pounds of Calcium Arsenate per acre when infestation is as much as 10 per cent. Benzene Hexachloride is proving very effective and may be used after infestation has reached 15 to 20 per cent or more.

Several checks have been made in Hoke to determine how fast and effective Benzene Hexachloride was. On the Upchurch Farm on July 17, a field was dusted and at the end of two hours several plots were staked off and dead weevils counted. At that time over 800 weevils were dead per acre. In the early afternoon after about eight hours, over 1500 dead weevils were found per acre. (Continued on page 4)