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## SCHOOL NEWS

By K. A. MacDonald

All schools in the county reopened yesterday after an enforced two day holiday caused by the sleet and snow. We wish to commend the bus drivers for their care and good driving under extremely bad circumstances. The county superintendent and principals held special meetings with the drivers on Wednesday and commended them for their carefulness and warned them of the very dangerous road conditions they would face for the balance of the month. We also wish to thank the road men and the highway patrol for their very generous and hearty cooperation and help.

The Board of Education held its regular monthly meeting Monday night. Routine business was transacted, and reports by the superintendent on the various aspects of school work were heard.

Dr. Koonce, school dentist for the State Health Department, is in Hoke County at the present under the auspices of the County Health Department and the school health program. Dr. Koonce started work at Mildouson on Wednesday. He will go from Mildouson to Rockfish, to Ashmont, to Raeford Graded. We are delighted to have Dr. Koonce back with us this year. We were delighted with his work last year while here.

Dr. Wilcox, district health officer, expects a colored dentist on the same program within a few weeks.

This is health week. All the schools are having special work and special health programs emphasizing good health.

J. W. Turlington, principal of the Raeford Graded School, spent a long week end at home in Fremont. He caught the snow just right.

Mrs. W. T. Gibson, wife of Principal W. T. Gibson of Hoke High, was called to Boston last week by the illness of her mother. We are glad to learn that her mother is much improved, and that Mrs. Gibson will return this week end.

All students in Hoke High who took part in the Pepsi-Cola contest for scholarships rated above the state average for the 300 or more picked students who participated.

The colored eye clinic will be held next Wednesday and Thursday, February 12 and 13, at the Upchurch High school. All teachers who have not done so, are urged to get their pupils records to Mrs. Campbell of the Health Department, or Mrs. Giles of the Welfare Department at once.

This clinic is sponsored jointly by the Health Department, Welfare Department, State Commission for the Blind, and the Raeford Kiwanis club. A similar clinic for white children was held in December. 78 corrections were made in this clinic.

## Commissioners Hire 2 Rural Policemen

The Hoke County board of commissioners at their regular monthly meeting last Monday employed two rural policemen for the county and they have both assumed their duties. These men will both work under the supervision of the county sheriff, but will be on salaries paid by the county and will receive no fees, as deputy sheriffs do.

J. Crawford Wright, for several years a deputy sheriff, is one of the two men employed and W. L. Price is the other.

Price comes here from Lumberton, where he had several years experience as a rural policeman and deputy sheriff.

## Carolina Ginners To Hold Convention Next Monday

Raleigh, N. C., Jan. 31—The theme of the Annual Convention of the Carolinas Ginners Association, which convenes in Charlotte, February 9, will be "Cotton in the New Agricultural Pattern for the Southeast," it was announced today.

Fred P. Johnson, Executive Secretary of the organization, states that some 250 ginners, other raw cotton interests and agricultural leaders are scheduled to attend. Principal speakers for the occasion will be D. D. Day, Vice-President of The Murry Company, Dallas, Texas, representing the Cotton Gin Machinery Manufacturers Association; H. H. Williamson, Assistant Director, Federal Agriculture Extension Service, Washington, D. C.; C. E. McDaniel, Area Supervisor, Field Service, National Cotton Council; and Lt. L. Y. Ballentine of North Carolina.

The ginners 1948 program will be presented by the Board of Directors. "This program gives special attention to cotton seed marketing, one-variety work, and the organization's policies in respect to new improved gin service and its influences on production," Johnson said.

The ginners program will be coordinated with the cotton programs of State agencies, particularly the Agricultural Extension Services, he added.

The program submitted by the Board will be analyzed by a panel of specialists and authorities in several fields of production, ginning and marketing.

This panel will include agronomists, entomologists, practical ginners, gin engineers, representatives of gin machinery, seed crushers, cotton merchants and gin specialists from State College, Raleigh, North Carolina and Clemson College, Clemson, S. C.

All persons present are expected to take an active part in the discussions, Johnson said, as the program presented at the convention is subject to amendment before final adoption.

## Kiwanians Disrobe For Overseas Relief

At the instigation of Clyde Upchurch, Jr., county chairman for the Church World Service clothing drive, the members of the Raeford Kiwanis club who attended the meeting at the High School lunch room last Thursday night each wore or brought garments to be given for overseas relief.

During the program the members lined up and took off their garments and piled them up. A prize went to Club President Lewis Upchurch for taking off the most clothes for relief, when he got down to a suit of long-handled union suits.

Speaker of the evening was Dr. A. B. Noland, of the firm of R. S. Dickson, investment bankers of Charlotte. Dr. Noland, a native of Virginia, talked about the resources of the South in general and of North Carolina in particular. He also talked about possibilities and probabilities of industrial expansion in the South and, in closing, told briefly the part played by men of his business in industrial expansion. His talk was highly interesting to all present. He was presented to the club by Crawford Thomas.

## TO GO TO DISTRICT MEET IN PINEHURST

The Hoke county commissioners and other county officials will go to a meeting of the District association of county commissioners in Pinehurst next Tuesday February 10. F. Knox Watson, chairman of the Hoke Board, is president of the district association and Charles M. Johnson, State treasurer and candidate for governor, will address the group.

## The Scout Citizen at Work

...IN HIS HOME  
...IN HIS COMMUNITY  
...IN HIS NATION  
...IN HIS WORLD



More than 2,000,000 members of the Boy Scouts of America will observe Boy Scout Week, Feb. 6th to 12th, marking the 38th anniversary of the organization. This year Boy Scouts are emphasizing conservation of food and natural resources, planting gardens, safety and fire prevention, home repairs and personal health check-up. Scouting promotes world peace through World Jamborees and practical help among 42 nations with 4,400,000 members. Through its World Friendship Fund of voluntary gifts the Boy Scouts of America helps Scouts overseas to rebuild their units. So far, more than 3,000 tons of equipment have been shipped. Above is the official poster marking the Scout birthday.

## Legion To Hold Dance At Armory Friday, Feb. 20th

J. H. Blue member of the American Legion committee which is working on the ball park lighting project, announced this week that the post would sponsor a dance at the armory on Friday night, February 20, for the benefit of the lighting fund.

Blue stated that Stephen Lambert and his orchestra, of Fayetteville, had been engaged to play for the affair, and that he thought local people would enjoy this orchestra which comes highly recommended by all who have heard its music.

An extensive advance sale of tickets is being conducted by the Legion post and tickets will be placed on sale at Hoke Drug Co., Howell Drug Co., McLaughlin Hardware, and Kinlaw's Jewelry store. Admission will be \$1.00 on advance sale tickets and \$1.25 at the door.

## STUDENTS RECOGNIZED

Four Hoke County High school students were recently notified that they had been selected for inclusion in the 1947-48 edition of the High School Register. The four are Bobby Murray, Bonnie Kate Blue, Miralyn Johnson, and Nancy Lee Cole.

"The publication, High School Register, is a biographical index of outstanding students selected from schools accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools or by the several states," the letter of notification said.

## TO COLLECT CLOTHES

Clyde Upchurch, Jr., chairman of the clothing drive being conducted for overseas relief, has announced that the Boy Scouts will make a house to house collection in Raeford next Sunday afternoon between two and five o'clock. Residents are requested to cooperate and have their clothing contributions ready for the boys.

## Ten Defendants Face Recorder; All Are Guilty

LIQUOR, CARS, INVOLVED IN MOST CASES TRIED TUESDAY

Ten cases were disposed of in Hoke County recorder's court before Judge Henry McDiarmid Tuesday morning, and all defendants either entered pleas of guilty as charged or were found guilty.

Ernest Cook, white of Cumberland county, was found guilty of driving drunk. Defendant gave notice of appeal to Superior court and bond was set at \$300. Sentence was 3 months, suspended on payment of \$100 and the costs.

C. L. Teal, white of Raeford, was found guilty of driving drunk and sentenced to three months on the roads. Sentence was suspended on payment of fine of \$100 and the costs of court.

Boy Ray colored, was charged with the buying, transporting and detonating of pyrotechnics (firecrackers). Sentence of 30 days was suspended on payment of the costs.

J. L. Breeden, white of Hope Mills, paid \$10 and the costs for speeding.

J. L. Yancey, white soldier, was charged with being drunk and disorderly and with assault, it being charged that he struck A. V. Sanders in the Elk Restaurant here. Yancey failed to appear and bond of \$50 was forfeited.

John Norris, white soldier who was with Yancey, was charged with violating the prohibition laws and forfeited a bond of \$25. Alfred Watson, white soldier, forfeited a \$25 bond for speeding. Z. V. Moss, white, got a 30-day sentence suspended on payment of the costs for speeding.

Isiah Watkins, colored, was charged with carrying a concealed weapon. He was found guilty but the judge reserved judgment until next Tuesday.

C. T. Bender, white, was charged with violating the landlord and tenant act by removing crops from a rested farm without paying the landlord, Mrs. Pauline F. Reid. He was found guilty and sentence of six months was suspended on payment of the costs and on condition that Bender pay \$750 to Mrs. Reid. He was given six months to pay her this money and bond until payment is made was set at \$800.

## \$170 More Given To Lighting Fund

The High School Key club reported yesterday that a total of \$170 more has been contributed to the fund the club is raising to help the American Legion with its project to fix the ball park for night ball games. This amount added to the \$305 reported last week brings the total to \$475. Those contributing are as follows:

- A. B. Tapp \$ 5.00
- Mrs. Mary Helton 1.00
- Ottis Dunn 4.00
- J. M. Norton 1.00
- Beatrice Sinclair 5.00
- James L. Currie 2.00
- W. M. McFadyen 1.00
- Walter P. Baker 25.00
- Louis Parker 2.00
- J. L. Warner 10.00
- Dr. Marcus Smith 5.00
- M. C. Dew 3.00
- T. B. Lester, Sr. 10.00
- G. C. Lytle 10.00
- Amos & Co. 10.00
- Upchurch Milling Co. 25.00
- Tom Cameron 10.00
- Dr. A. L. O'Brian 5.00
- R. G. Hanna 1.00
- C. P. Long 1.00
- Unknown 1.00
- D. H. Walters 1.00
- W. M. Monroe 1.00
- Howell Drug Co. 10.00
- W. L. Howell, Jr. 5.00

## Carolina Glee Club Here February 28th

Mrs. Younger Sneed, president of the local Parent-Teacher association, announced this week that the contract with the University of North Carolina Glee club had been signed for the appearance of the group at the High school on the night of Saturday, February 28. The affair is being jointly sponsored by the PTA and the Chaminade music club of Raeford.

Under the terms of the contract she said that food and lodging for the group would be furnished locally, and she said that families in the community would be approached by the sponsoring clubs for help with this. She said that the bringing of this distinguished musical group to Raeford and Hoke county is an addition to the cultural life of the community and is deserving of the support of the whole community.

Further information as to the number of voices, program, etc. will be furnished later, she said.

## Weather Cuts Attendance At Bureau Convention

Asheville, N. C., Feb. 4, 1948—Despite the heavy snow which crippled transportation facilities last week end, some 500 members of the North Carolina Farm Bureau were all on hand Monday for the first formal business session of the organization's twelfth annual meeting.

As the convention began, with J. B. Hutson, Tobacco Associate's President as first speaker, Farm Bureau officials estimated that attendance at the four-day meeting was cut by more than 50 percent by the storm. A Farm Bureau special train on the Southern Railway ran from Goldsboro Sunday, carrying those members able to travel from their homes to the principal stations along the way. One of the high lights of the meeting was an address by Allan Kline, American Farm Bureau President, who said:

"The position of the American Farm Bureau Federation with regard to the present farm program is that its various segments must be maintained and strengthened. It is no imposition to forget the teaching of the people, nor to discard its achievements." "At the same time, we must meet new conditions with an open mind. It is neither possible nor desirable to simply maintain things as they are."

Other features were the annual message of W. W. Eagles, Mcleesfield, President, the yearly report by R. Flake Shaw, Greensboro, Executive Vice-President of the State Farm Bureau, and addresses by several leaders.

## BASEBALL PLAYERS TO ARRIVE MARCH 29

A letter from E. T. Collins, Jr., of the Philadelphia Phillies, National League Ball club, this week stated that a large contingent of players of minor league clubs affiliated with the Phillies would arrive in Raeford for spring training on March 29 and will be here about one month. Collins, who is director of minor league clubs for the Phillies, not say just what teams would be to Raeford, but he has stated that a Class A club would come here. Definite information on this is expected in the next few days.

## CLINIC FRIDAY

The Robeson County public welfare board makes the following announcement: "An orthopedic clinic will be held Friday, February 6, 1948, in the basement of the agriculture building in Lumberton. Dr. O. L. Miller of Charlotte will be the surgeon in charge and all patients are requested to register between nine and eleven o'clock."

## Manager States REA Construction To Move Faster

TRANSFORMERS TO COME IN MORE RAPIDLY DALTON SAYS

According to D. J. Dalton, local manager of Lumber River Electric Membership Corporation, the construction program to the cooperative will proceed at a more rapid pace as the conductor and transformer manufacturers have agreed to step up shipment beginning the first quarter of 1948. Some 230 miles of line in the central part of Robeson county is hoped to be completed and energized within the next 120 days. Approximately 100 more miles of line in the eastern part of Robeson county, including all sections of line from Red Springs-Lumberton Highway 211 over to the Robeson county line has just been added to the present contract.

The Cooperative is more than glad to get this section of Robeson county included in the contract, as this section of Robeson County has less power line according to the density of the people, than any section within the area the co-op operates. The co-op will have 3 phase service available for approximately 15 miles and 2 phase service available for about 40 miles. These areas with 2 and 3 phase service available will no doubt, see a number of small industries setting up along them in this section of the county, where this service has not been available in the past.

The engineers are now staking this line and poles are being set daily. This line should be ready to energize within the next 60 to 90 days. Mr. Dalton states that part of this line has been waiting since 1941, and that this is completing all line that has been approved by Federal REA up to the 1947 allocation.

The Cooperative has more than 100 miles of poles set and are continuing to set poles on this 1947 allocation as fast as material delivery will permit. The Cooperative has more than doubled its mileage in line construction since the war. At present they have over 1000 miles of line energized serving over 3000 consumers and many others are coming on as fast as they get their houses wired.

## FARM NOTES

By A. S. Knowles

Cotton farmers will be asked to meet at the Court House in Raeford on Wednesday, February 12, at 2:00 P. M. to hear authorities on cotton production and boll weevil control. Farmers attending will have an opportunity to help formulate a good control program including boll weevil control measures for Hoke County. Five Acre Cotton Production contest winners will receive awards at this meeting.

## MEETINGS NEXT WEEK

A series of meetings throughout the county will start in Antioch township on Monday, February 9th. These meetings will be designed to give farmers latest information on crop, condition and outlook for 1948. Later practices on top production, soil conservation, and farm credit will be made. All meetings will start at 7:30 P. M. The meetings for next week will be as follows: Antioch township at community house, Monday, February 9; Blue Springs township at community house, Tuesday, February 10; and Allendale township at community house, Wednesday, February 11. Every farmer should attend at least one of these meetings. Meetings for the other townships will appear in his column from week to week.

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