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SCHOOL NEWS

By K. A. MacDonald

The children of the Mildousen School are corresponding with the children in a school in Oklahoma where Mrs. Irene Thrower, nee Irene Downer, is teaching. These children are largely of Indian descent. They have written some very interesting letters.

SCHOOL ON SATURDAY

Tuesday afternoon a principal's meeting was held in the office of the County Superintendent at which time a schedule of Saturday school was made. All white schools will operate on Saturday, March 20, April 17 and April 24. This automatically sets the date of school closing on Wednesday, June 2. This schedule is caused by the loss of time during the bad weather. At the same time the daily schedule was set for these four Saturdays. School will open at Ashmont, Mildousen and Rockfish at 7:40 and in Raeford at 8:10; schools in Raeford will close at 12:00 noon, and at 12:30 in the county schools. This Saturday schedule is arranged so that the term would not have to extend too far into the spring. All parents are requested to cooperate to the best of their ability.

We are glad to learn that M. S. Gibson, school committeeman for the Rockfish school, who has been critically ill at his home near Rockfish is some better at the present.

The Mildousen School has chosen the operetta, "Peter Rabbit" for its production at commencement time. The date of the production has not yet been announced.

The Hoke County Educators Club will hold a meeting next Tuesday evening, March 23, at 7:00 o'clock in the Hoke High Lunchroom.

T. C. Jones, principal of the Rockfish school, announces that the attendance for the sixth month is the best that they have had all year. Keep it up Rockfish.

A very interesting film, "Visiting Arkansas" has just been shown at the Raeford Graded School.

J. A. Turlington, Principal of the Raeford Graded School, has made arrangements with the Trailways Bus Co. to take the 7th Grade to Raleigh and Chapel Hill one day next week. This will be a splendid trip for the children.

The Hoke High School is starting on a spring "Fresh-up" project. They have raised quite a bit of money and repaired and repainted the shower rooms at the gym and are now getting ready to do other painting and freshening-up of the building. The agricultural class boys have also been assisting at the Raeford Graded School by building shelves, tables, etc., for the lunch and storage room.

The Upchurch vocational classes and veterans classes are doing a wonderful job on their new lunchroom and cannery building. At present they are pouring the floor and installing the windows. It is hoped that they will not be too long getting in the new building.

There will be a county-wide colored teachers meeting held at the Upchurch School this afternoon at 3:00 o'clock.

Mr. Griffin, School Bus Driver Examiner for the State Safety Division, was in the county Monday training additional drivers. Mr. Griffin is attempting to give us a good supply of drivers.

At the eye clinic for colored children held at the Upchurch school house last week 77 children were examined. Eleven pairs of glasses were fitted. We are sorry

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Cotton Contest Offers \$3000 In Prize Money

A total of \$3,000 in prize money will be offered to North Carolina farmers in the Five-Acre Cotton Contest again this year, according to J. A. Shanklin, Extension cotton specialist at State College.

First and second prizes of \$800 and \$400, respectively, will be awarded, Mr. Shanklin said. For the three winners in each of the three districts in the state, the prizes will be \$300, \$200, and \$100. In counties where there is not a locally sponsored contest, there will be an award of \$50 to the highest contestant in the county provided the winner has not received a state or district prize in a previous contest. If he has received one of these awards, the prize will go to the next highest individual. However, a county award will not be made in a county where less than 10 contestants fulfill all requirements.

The cotton specialist said that any farmer, landlord, and tenant who produces as much as five acres of cotton in one body is eligible to enter the contest. However, any farmer who, in any previous North Carolina Five-Acre Cotton Contest, has won a prize is ineligible for the same prize, but he can always compete for a higher prize. No contestant is eligible for more than one prize in the contest.

A grower desiring to enter the contest must submit an application, not later than July 1, to the county in which the five-acre plot is located. Each contestant must state clearly in his application the variety and strain of cotton to be planted and shall notify the county agent of any change made after the application has been forwarded, Mr. Shanklin said.

SOAP BOX DERBY RULE BOOKS HERE

W. L. Poole announced yesterday that he had received a supply of rule books for the National Soap Box Derby and that interested boys would be able to get them at his office as long as they last.

First Shipment Of Seeds To Europe

The National Council of State Garden clubs has just released the news that twenty thousand seeds of Peace units, consisting of 260,000 packages of assorted vegetable seeds and 30,000 packages of flower seeds have already been shipped to Europe. The national campaign instituted by the council has already reached into 41 states where there are Garden club federations, and where the generosity and cooperation of the members have provided food for 100,000 hungry people abroad. The Raeford Garden Club made a generous cash contribution to the North Carolina State Garden Club for its part in the purchase of these seeds.

State's Farm Income Drops Nine Million

North Carolina is one of only four states in the nation whose cash receipts from farm marketing showed a decrease during 1947, according to C. Bruce Ratchford, Extension Farm Management specialist at State College.

Although receipts for the nation as a whole rose 23 per cent—from twenty-four billion and five hundred million in 1946 to thirty billion and two hundred million in 1947—the farm-income in North Carolina showed a decrease of \$9,200,000, Mr. Ratchford said. Only other states showing a decrease were Delaware, South Carolina, and Florida.

Receipts from North Carolina crops during 1947 were \$32,100,000 less, primarily caused by lower prices for tobacco; but receipts from livestock and livestock products increased \$22,500,000, the specialist added.

COLE FOR UMSTEAD

Alfred Cole announced yesterday that he had been appointed to manage Senator W. B. Umstead's campaign for election to a full term in the United States Senate in this county, and that he had accepted.

LECTURER



Dr. F. Crossley Morgan, above, will begin a series of Bible lectures at the Raeford Presbyterian church next Sunday morning at eleven o'clock. He will give a lecture Sunday evening at eight o'clock and at 10:00 a. m. and 8:00 p. m. daily through Sunday, March 28, except Saturday, March 27.

Dr. Morgan comes to Raeford highly recommended by laymen and clergymen of all denominations. "He is gifted above many as an expositor of the Bible. I know of few men who combine such insight, thoroughness and clarity in their study of Scripture, or who can present their findings more convincingly and attractively," writes Dr. Richard O. Flynn, pastor emeritus of the North Avenue Presbyterian church of Atlanta, Georgia.

MRS. M'LAUCHLIN IS CONTEST JUDGE

Among the judges at the contest in Fayetteville Tuesday night was Mrs. H. C. McLauchlin of Raeford. The contest was conducted to select a student nurse to represent this district at a contest in Raleigh, April 20, for the purpose of selecting "Miss North Carolina Student Nurse of 1948."

Winner of the State contest last year was Miss Alice Geraldine Maxwell, of Raeford, a student nurse at Baker-Thompson hospital in Lumberton. Miss Joyce Patterson of Marners, student nurse at the Hamlet hospital, was selected Tuesday night to represent the district.

HORNER WILL NOT RUN

W. E. Horner, publisher of The Sanford Herald, who two years ago lost the Democratic nomination for Eighth District congressman has announced that he will not be a candidate for nomination this year.

Horner said that he received a great amount of encouragement to run this year but said he had decided against running this time but would take his second chance later.

WHITLEY MOVES OFFICE

H. W. B. Whitley, attorney, yesterday moved his office from the second floor of the old Page Trust company building to the second floor of the Bank of Raeford building. His moving there puts four of the town's five lawyers on that floor of the bank building, the others being G. B. Rowland, G. G. Dickson and A. D. Gore. The fifth, N. McNair Smith, remains where he has always been, across the street from the courthouse.

LEGION TO MEET FRI.

Clyde Upchurch, Jr., chairman of the Ellis Williamson American Legion post, wishes to advise all members that there will be a meeting of the post at Cox's Restaurant on the Fayetteville road at 7:30 p. m. tomorrow. Important business is to be discussed and Upchurch urged members to attend. Each will pay for his own meal.

Hoke Resident Dies In Auto Wreck Saturday

DONALD NEWTON DEAD; SEVEN OTHERS IN CAR ARE HURT

Donald Rex Newton, textile worker of Raeford, Route 2, was instantly killed at 3:05 o'clock last Saturday afternoon when the car he was driving entered the Raeford road in Fayetteville and was hit by a northbound Greyhound bus. The car was pushed 24 feet by the impact and Mr. Newton's neck was broken. Seven other occupants of the car suffered injuries of varying seriousness. None of the 30 occupants of the bus was injured.

Those injured were: Mrs. Donald Newton, wife of the deceased, small lacerations and shock.

Philip Newton, aged two leg months, fractured leg.

Charles Newton, aged five months, fractured leg.

Mrs. Jack Pittman, sister of the deceased, lacerations of the head and right leg.

Jack Pittman, her husband, fractured pelvis and lacerations of the head, lips and hand.

Benny Pittman, aged 10 years, shock.

Milton Pittman, aged 2 years, shock.

The two Pittman children were able to leave Highsmith hospital after treatment. The other injured were still patients there at last reports, and it was reported that the two discharged had been re-admitted for further treatment. Mr. Pittman was considered the most seriously injured.

All are of Raeford Route two. Coroner J. W. Pinkston said that there would be an inquest when the injured were able to testify.

No charges were made against the driver of the bus pending the inquest.

Funeral services and burial of Donald Rex Newton, will be held in Osceola, Iowa.

Mr. Newton, 26-year-old veteran of three and a half years army service in England, France and Germany, was a corporal in the medical corps. While overseas, he married Miss Helen Rosina Kemp, of Eastbourne, England.

He was a native of Kellerton, Iowa, and was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Elmore Newton, now of Kakhon, Minn. He had lived at Raeford route 2 for about a year and was employed at Robbins mill in Red Springs.

Surviving are his wife, his parents, and two sons: Philip Rex Newton and Charles Elmore Newton.

Light Session of Recorder's Court

Only a half-dozen cases came up for trial before Judge Henry McDiarmid Tuesday morning in Hoke County Recorder's court.

William Gardner, colored, got 30 days suspended on payment of \$10 and the cost for violating the prohibition laws.

Donnie Morris, colored, was charged with larceny, but the plea of guilty of trespass was accepted. Sentence was six months to be suspended on payment of the cost and \$29.50 to Lena May Shaw and on condition of two years good behavior.

J. Henry Cook, white of New Jersey, forfeited a \$25 bond for speeding.

Charlie Lockhart and George Davis, colored, were charged with assaulting Goldie Simpson; Davis was found not guilty and Lockhart was found guilty and sentenced to 30 days to be suspended on payment of the cost.

In another case Goldie Simpson was charged with assault with a deadly weapon and carrying a concealed weapon. She was found guilty and sentenced to three months in jail to be suspended on payment of \$25 and the cost.

Fred Heath, colored, man who had given notice of appeal from a conviction of careless and reckless driving, withdrew this notice and paid \$25 and the court cost.

The case against Robert Kisler, charged with assaulting H. L. McMinis, was continued for another week.

LIBRARY NEWS

A booklet has been received in the Hoke County Library which is most interesting, "The First Hundred Years of the Smithsonian Institution, 1846-1946," by Webster P. True, Chief of the Editorial Division of the Institution.

"Prophet in the Wilderness," by Hagedorn, is the biography of Albert Schweitzer, one of the great men of our time.

"Eagle in the Sky," by Van Wyck Mason, is high on the best seller list. "House Divided," by Ben Ames Williams, is still in the lead.

Thornton Wilder, Pulitzer prize winner, and author of the play, "Our Town," has written a new book, "The Ides of March," which is now in the library.

Another best seller, "The Last Billionaire," by Richards, is the life of Henry Ford, and is now on our shelves.

Several other new titles have been received.

PTA IS GRATEFUL

The Hoke-Raeford Parent-Teacher association wishes to express its appreciation to the more than forty local firms who contributed prizes for their game nights last Friday and Saturday.

NORTH CAROLINA MARKET NEWS

Released By N. C. Dept. of Agriculture

POULTRY AND EGGS

The rush of eggs, which got underway at local markets around the first of the month, continued this week and caused prices to drop sharply again. The Raleigh market reported closing prices around three cents per dozen under the previous week with local eggs grading stations paying 45 cents per dozen for A, large, and from 36 to 40 for current receipts. At eastern egg auction and produce assembling plants, egg receipts showed an increase of approximately 6 8/10 per cent over the previous week, while central western primary markets reported increases of just over 23 per cent. The New York egg market was easy with supplies in excess of current requirements during the first part of the week with buyers purchasing only bare needs. After mid-week, the market was about

steady although some receivers had trouble clearing nearby whites.

Live poultry reversed the trend in eggs and moved upward at local and leading terminal markets. Fryers and broilers were short of trade needs at Central North Carolina points and returned producers 40 cents per pound f.o.b. the farm. The larger processing plants in the area were forced to go outside the state to secure enough supplies to meet local trade needs. Hens were short of trade needs and firm with farm pay prices at 27 to 30 cents per pound for colored stock throughout the week. North Georgia reported stronger trading in fryers and broilers with closing prices at 38 to 40 cents on the farm. Good quality heavy weight birds closed firm in the Delmarva and Shenandoah Valley producing section.

Key Club Fund Now Over \$1000; Lights Going Up

TRANSFORMERS ARE TO GET HERE TODAY; POLES IN PLACE

The high school Key club is exerting renewed effort this week to raise enough money to bring their fund for ball park lights to \$2000 by April 1. The boys had collected \$192 more yesterday afternoon to bring the total to \$1087.50 when added to the \$895 already collected.

These donations offer citizens of the county who desire to support the project of lighting the park an easy way to do so. The Key club is a high school civic organization which performs various functions for the good of the school and the students. This campaign to raise \$2000 to help the American Legion with the lighting project is being supported by the school and the students. This campaign will be completed by the end of the month and will be of benefit to the whole community.

Much of the equipment for the lighting has arrived and is being set up in the park. The poles are (Continued on page 4)

FARM NOTES

By A. S. Knowles

Permanent and temporary pastures are now showing up well in places. Dave Liles reports excellent grazing in the Johnson Clover. It is now 4 to 6 inches high. The Laddo Clover pasture at the Sanatorium is making good growth and will soon be ready for grazing. The other pastures at the Sanatorium have made progress during the last few days. The Five-Acre seed plot of Kentucky 31 fescue on N. H. G. Balfour's farm is in excellent condition. The grass remains green all year and with a mild winter could be grazed almost 12 months. The best time to seed Ky. 31 and Alta fescue is September, but it maybe seeded in the Spring.

J. R. Hendricks has done an outstanding job for the last eight years of utilizing two lots containing about 3 acres of land. His planting rotation permits about 11 months of grazing with hogs, cows, and workstock. One lot is seeded to soybeans about April 15 and grazed from June 1 to about September 15. It is then seeded to a small grain mixture for winter grazing. The other lot is planted to corn and soybeans about May 15 and hogged down beginning about September 15. After the corn and beans have been eaten, the hogs and cows are moved to the other lot to graze small grain and small grain planted after the corn. The corn and soybeans are rotated each year. From ten to twenty-five hogs graze these fields. There are usually two cows grazing most of the time, and two mules part of the time.

Make plans now to enter the 5-acre cotton contest and the one-acre corn contest. Valuable prizes will be offered for top producers. Make application for entry as soon as possible but not later than July 1. Coker 100 Walt cotton seed is the adopted variety. For corn plant either Hybrids N. C. 27 (yellow) or Dixie 17 (white). These seed should be obtained at once. Dealers are beginning to report shortages.

"Fire Prevention" is a much used expression. But according to records, March is the worst month for farm fires. Be sure to have some kind of fire fighting equipment handy in case of fire. Most fire losses can be reduced (Continued on page 4)