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YOUR SCHOOL NEWS

By K. A. MacDonald

The Board of Education met in regular monthly session Monday evening with all members present. Walter Maxwell, member of the Raeford school board, submitted his resignation to the Board, which was accepted with genuine regret as Mr. Maxwell had served long and faithfully on the committee and had worked untiringly for the schools in the district.

A. H. McPhaul was appointed to fill Mr. Maxwell's unexpired term.

Several members of the Board of Education and the county superintendent will go to Fayetteville Friday evening to attend a district meeting of the State School Board Association.

Mrs. Davis' sixth grade of the Raeford Graded school put on the playlet, "Grandmother's Dream," on Tuesday afternoon for the benefit of the students and their parents. It was exceptionally well done. Quite a lot of talent was displayed. This production is being made a yearly event by this section of the sixth grade.

The chicken supper at Mildouson last Friday evening was quite a success financially and from a social standpoint. Everyone enjoyed it.

Alice Copeland, Vocational Home Economics teacher at Hoke High, took her future Homemakers of America to a state meeting in Raleigh last Saturday. Everyone enjoyed the trip and profited by it.

W. P. Phillips and his vocational agriculture boys went to Lumberton on Wednesday for a district meeting. The meeting was well attended and very worth while.

The Upchurch school will entertain their district vocational agriculture meeting on Monday, April 12. They are making extensive preparations for the large crowd of visitors expected.

L. E. Luck attended a district meeting of school bus mechanics held in Fayetteville on Tuesday.

K. A. MacDonald spent last Friday and Saturday in Raleigh working with the Resource Committee of the State Education Commission.

The white schools of the county will end their seventh month on Friday, April 9. The colored schools close the seventh month on Saturday, April 10.

The Rockfish school committee held a meeting last week and elected T. C. Jones as principal. We hope the other districts will soon follow Rockfish's lead.

Miss Claudia Cates, primary teacher of the Raeford Graded, was called home this week by serious illness in her family. Mrs. J. W. Walker is substituting for her.

Mrs. Andrews, manager of the Raeford Graded lunchroom, is ill at her home here. We hope she will soon be improved. During her absence from work Mrs. Christian Davis is operating the lunchroom.

HOKE HIGH SCHOOL NEWS

The speaking and peace contest "How Can the United Nations Be Strengthened" sponsored by the Bar Association took place Tuesday, April 6, in the high school auditorium as part of the Army Day program. Florence Cameron won first place in the contest. Mr. Whitley, president of the local Bar Association, was present and gave each of the contestants a box of candy. Mrs. Arthur D. Gore sponsored the contest in connection with the Journalism Club.

Associates Head Says Higher Yield To Be Profitable

Dobson, N. C.—Present indications are that the demand for the 1948 flue-cured tobacco crop "will be such as to make it profitable for most growers to increase the yield per acre, 10 per cent over the average yield of 1946 and 1947," J. B. Hutson, Washington, D. C., president of Tobacco Associates, Inc., said here Tuesday, (March 30).

"Many farmers whose yields have been low will find it profitable to increase their yields even more than 10 per cent," Hutson added. "Better fertilization, closer spacing rows, good cultivation, high topping, and careful suckering are all important in improving both yields and quality."

Hutson, head of the organization tobacco interests formed last year to promote flue-cured exports, was a principal speaker on a Surry County Farmers Day program sponsored by the Dobson Lions Club.

In recommending better tobacco crop practices, Hutson said: "This is the part that the growers acting alone can play in holding export markets and in increasing profits. This part of the problem is basic to any program of expanding exports. Tobacco growers will gain more than anyone else from increased export markets, but in order to gain, they must do their part in producing a high quality product."

Just prior to and during World War I, the tobacco leader pointed out, about one-half of the flue-cured crop was used in cigarettes, the other half going into other products, largely chewing and pipe mixtures. Last year, however, 95 per cent of all flue-cured tobacco used in the United States was manufactured into cigarettes and only five per cent into other products.

Stabilization Corporation holdings are heavily made up of non-cigarette grades of tobacco, Hutson said, and the demand for non-cigarette grades is only one-twentieth of the demand for cigarette grades. Current undesirable grades will be even less desirable in the immediate years ahead if these trends continue, he added, because as world markets again accumulate tobacco supplies, it will be easier to find substitutes for the non-cigarette grades than for the cigarette grades.

By making available adequate supplies of high quality cigarette leaves, Hutson said, growers can

SPRING MUSIC FESTIVAL

Much interest is being shown locally in the Spring Music Festival being presented in the auditorium of Flora Macdonald college next Monday and in the Red Springs High school auditorium Tuesday. Several local people are taking part. The festival consists of a recital on Monday evening by the celebrated French pianist, Maurice Dumesnil, and a concert on Tuesday evening by the Red Springs Civic Choral Society and the North Carolina Symphony orchestra with Mr. Dumesnil as piano soloist.

Dumesnil is recognized as a foremost authority on the interpretation of France's great modern composer, Claude Debussy, and is the author of two books and numerous articles on the life and works of the composer. The North Carolina Symphony orchestra is the first state-supported symphony orchestra in the United States and is one of the State's greatest cultural assets. Both affairs begin at 8:15 o'clock. Dates are Monday and Tuesday, April 12 and 13.

Cancer Campaign Starts In State; Local Drive Also

North Carolina's first intensive fight against cancer was launched last week when the Cancer Control Division of the State Board of Health swung into operation.

Financed with funds from the Federal and State governments and the American Cancer Society's North Carolina chapter, the big program will be carried out by a staff headed by Dr. Irvan M. Procter of Raleigh and Mildred Schram of Philadelphia. They have been assigned offices in the State Health Building here.

While a number of other states have sponsored cancer control programs in the past, this is the first year that North Carolina officially has set up machinery for a State-wide fight against cancer.

Funds Available

Authority for setting up a cancer program in this State was granted by the 1945 General Assembly. For carrying out the program, the Federal government has made \$71,000 available yearly; the State \$18,000 yearly; and the North Carolina Division of the American Cancer Society, \$25,000 for a three-year period.

"The primary object will be to render the greatest amount of cancer control service to the greatest number of citizens of the State in the shortest time practical," Dr. Procter stated.

In Hoke County the Raeford Woman's club in cooperation with the American Cancer Society will conduct a drive to raise funds for the society's work. Mrs. Julian H. Blue will head the drive in this county and she stated yesterday that a list of workers for the drive will be announced next week.

Will L. Rose Buried Sunday

Will L. Rose, farmer and resident of this community for about 30 years, died suddenly at his home here last Thursday afternoon at one o'clock of a heart attack. He was 67 years of age.

Funeral services were conducted at Raeford Methodist church on Sunday afternoon at 2:30 by the pastor, the Rev. P. O. Lee, assisted by the Rev. W. L. Maness and the Rev. B. P. Robinson, both former pastors of the church, of which the deceased was a member. Burial was in the Raeford cemetery.

Will Rose was the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. David Rose of Randolph County, where he was born.

He is survived by his widow, the former Sarah Peele of Gibson; five daughters, Mrs. John McVicker, and Mrs. Dan Clark of Raeford, Mrs. Bessie Clark and Mrs. Joseph Chasey of Long Branch, N. J., and Mrs. Frank Twiddy of Edenton, N. C., four sons, Carl, Clarence and Heston Rose of Raeford and Causey Rose of Asheboro; two sisters, Mrs. Margaret Saunders of Randleman and his twin, Mrs. L. C. Lathan of Hoffman; one brother, John Rose of Star; and 19 grand-children.

Poole's Medley

BY D. SCOTT POOLE

These makers defy the courts and the executive Department of the Federal Government. John L. Lewis pays very little attention to judges and Presidents and the like.

Fellow citizens, you may readily see now that governments like ours, a government of the people, can hardly be effective among wicked, impatient people. Only people who fear God and obey His commandments are to be ex-

Hoke High Ball Team Takes Two

Last Friday afternoon at Laurel Hill the Hoke County High school baseball team opened its 1948 season with a 7-2 victory over Laurel Hill High. J. D. McMillian pitched the whole game for the Hoke High Bucks, giving up two hits and striking out 13. Freeman, Cullidge and Keith each got two safeties for the victors.

On Tuesday the Bucks again defeated Laurel Hill, 10-6, again behind McMillian, who pitched six innings and got credit for the victory. A. J. Freeman had a hot day at the plate in this game, getting five for five. He got two doubles and three singles. Floyd Keith hit a long triple for Hoke High in the first inning.

Red Cross Drive Goes Over Quota

Israel Mann, county chairman for the 1948 American Red Cross fund drive conducted for the past few weeks, announced this week that Hoke county had exceeded its quota of \$1900 and that some contributions were still remaining to be turned in. He has received \$1945 so far.

Communities exceeding their quotas were Dundarrach, Sanatorium, Antioch, Upchurch school and Raeford. The chairman expressed his appreciation to each chairman and each worker who contributed to the success of the drive and to the people for their generosity. He stated that anyone still desiring to contribute may do so.

Community contributions and chairmen were as follows: Antioch, Mrs. W. C. Hodgins, \$110.25; Arabia, Mrs. J. A. Jones, \$31.45; Allendale, Mrs. A. A. McEachern, \$50.54; Ashley Heights, Mrs. T. C. Sinclair, \$37.12; Blue Springs, Miss Margaret Gainey, \$33.00; Dundarrach, Mrs. Jesse Gibson, \$85.75; Montrose, Mrs. W. F. McFadyen, \$13.50; Pine Forest, Mrs. Bernice Williamson, \$52.70; Rockfish, Mrs. T. C. Jones, \$20.00; Sanatorium, Mrs. J. L. Beall, \$126.45; Wayside, Richard Neeley, \$67.65; Turnpike, H. B. Nixon, \$31.00; White-Tex Mills, Paul Long, \$41.60; Hoke High W. T. Gibson, \$30.50; Upchurch High, A. S. Gaston, \$207.10; Raeford business section, I. Mann, \$708; NE Raeford, Mrs. J. A. Baucum, \$59.50; NW Raeford, Mrs. N. A. McDonald, \$100.80; SE Raeford, Mrs. Marion Gatlin, \$82.10; S. W. Raeford, Mrs. R. A. Matheson, \$54.

REVIVAL SERVICES AT CHURCH OF GOD

The Rev. Russell A. Tedder, pastor of the Church of God, located at the west end of the Mill village next to Colson's laundry, announced this week that a series of revival services was being conducted there. Services are being conducted each evening by the Rev. Roland Fields of Laurinburg, and special singing services are being held. He welcomes the public.

Former Resident Dies In Lumberton

Mrs. C. H. McNeill, 42, died Tuesday night at 8:15 o'clock at Baker-Thompson hospital in Lumberton. Mrs. McNeill was a resident of Red Springs and had been a resident of Hoke County until about two years ago. Before her marriage she was Miss Annie Moore.

Funeral services will be conducted at Philadelphia Presbyterian church today. Surviving are her husband and two sisters, one of whom is Mrs. Austin Butler of this county.

Politicians Have Begun To Emerge

According to G. B. Rowland, chairman of the Hoke county board of elections, 12 office-seekers of the county have paid their filing fee and will be on the ticket for the primary May 29. Several others have indicated their intentions to do so before the time for filing closes at six o'clock on Saturday afternoon, April 17.

For judge of the county recorder's court incumbent Henry McDiarmid and Aspirant T. O. Moses have paid the fee. Harry Greene has filed to succeed himself in the state house of representatives and Ryan McBryde has filed for the state senate.

For solicitor of the county recorder's court, J. M. Andrews has filed and N. McNair Smith, incumbent, has signified his intention of doing so. W. W. Roberts has paid his filing fee to run to keep his position as county register of deeds.

Most competition seems to be developing for the five seats on the county board of commissioners, six men already having paid their filing fees and at least one more having expressed intentions of doing so. Those filing from the present board are F. Knox Watson and E. R. Pickler. Hector McNeill of the present board has announced that he will run again. N. B. Sinclair and F. A. Monroe have not indicated intentions of running again. Others filing for county commissioner are W. Marshall Thomas, G. C. Lytle, J. Fulford McMillan and Julian H. Wright.

Wildlife Group To Hold Meeting In Charlotte

Col. Clyde P. Patton, Director of the New Wildlife Resources Commission, will be a principle speaker at the April 22 and 23 meeting of the North Carolina Wildlife Federation to be held in Charlotte, North Carolina, according to Federation President Forrest Heath. This meeting, at the Charlotte Hotel, will be the first under a plan adopted in Winston-Salem in January whereby the Federation will have two state-wide meetings each year—one in April and one in November. Plans are to make this meeting one of the most outstanding ever held by the Federation.

Judge F. Donald Phillips of Rockingham, a leading proponent of more adequate game and fish laws throughout the state, will be the speaking after a barbecue supper on the evening of April 22. The supper is being sponsored by the Mecklenburg Sportsman's Wildlife Club, which has a reputation for putting on very good feeds.

Others on the program will be D. Stator Insoce of Raleigh, Hayden Olds of the Wildlife Resources Commission; D. K. Sing of Charlotte, Commission member from District 6; P. K. Gravely of Rocky Mount; and Col. Frank L. Page of Greensboro, both of whom are past presidents of the Federation.

All club members and the public are cordially invited to attend. A business session as well as an open forum discussion on statewide problems will be held.

Red Springs Team Opens Schedule Of Exhibition Games

The Red Springs Red Robins open their exhibition schedule here Saturday afternoon when they play the Carbonale, Pa. team. On Sunday afternoon they play the Welch, West Va. Miners of the Appalachian league in Robbins park in Red Springs. This game will start at three o'clock, as will the one in Raeford on Saturday. Al Burch and Harry Wood are expected to be in the mound for Red Springs in Sunday's game.

Other games to be played in Red Springs by the Red Robins on their exhibition schedule are: April 13—P.J.C.; April 17—P.J.C. in the first night game; Elizabethton, Tennessee on the afternoon of Sunday, April 18; Dover, Delaware on the night of Monday, April 18; Springfield, Mass., on Tuesday night and Robbins, N. C. on Wednesday night, April 21.

Recorder Has Light Session

In recorder's court Tuesday morning there were four cases of speeding before Judge McDiarmid. Theodore Farlow, white of New York, and Carter J. Deatherage, white of South Carolina, each failed to appear and forfeited a bond of \$25. James E. Bolton and James W. Waldon, both white of Fayetteville, each paid \$10 and the costs.

Robert J. Wike and Alfred Hart, Jr., both colored, each paid \$10 and the costs for driving with bad brakes.

J. E. Gibson got 30 days suspended on payment of the costs or being drunk and disorderly.

Lee Brown, white, paid the costs for violating the prohibition laws.

Wally Barrett, colored, got 6 months suspended on payment of 25 and the costs for waving a hotgun at M. A. Ferguson and indicating that he might shoot him.

Iler Chavis, Indian woman, got six months to be suspended on condition of 2 years good behavior and payment of a \$20 doctor bill for cutting Judy Collins.

Ernest Lee Singletary, colored, paid the costs for causing. He got a two year-sentence for non-support of his family to be suspended on payment of \$15 weekly toward their support. He posted a \$200 appearance bond.

Willie Cook, colored, got 30 days suspended on payment of the costs for using profane and indecent language.

FISHERMEN FINED

Oscar Chadwick, game protector of the Wildlife commission, brought two men to trial this week before Mrs. W. R. Barrington for fishing without licenses. They were H. G. Staley and C. S. Pickett, both from outside the county. Both were fined \$10 and the costs of the trial.

TOBACCO NOTICE

The closing date for all Combinations and Divisions for Flue-Cured Tobacco will be May 1, 1948, says T. D. Potter, Chairman of the Hoke County AAA Committee. He also stated that all tracts of land owned and operated by the same operator or by husband and wife within a county may be combined if operated as one family unit. Any part of a farm cash-rented to another operator shall remain a part of the original farm. In no case will the combination of the cash-rented tract with the farm operated by the renter be permitted. Anyone desiring to have farms divided or combined for 1948 should go to the AAA office by May 1 and make the request.

Lumbee River REA Corporation Has Anniversary

The Lumbee River Electric Membership Corporation celebrated its seventh anniversary, April 8, 1948, energizing additional mileage that had just been released by the contractor, D. J. Dalton, manager, says this week.

The Cooperative energized its first line April 5, 1941, and after the original construction program was over, the Cooperative had 47.5 miles serving some 1062 members. At present the Co-op is completing energizing more than 1000 miles of line serving 3300 consumers. Within the next 30 days, the Co-op will energize 100 more miles of line in the eastern part of Robeson county where the poles are now set. The Cooperative also has approximately 60 miles of poles set in Hoke, Scotland, and Robeson counties which will be energized just as soon as conductor and transformers are delivered, both of which have been promised for May shipment.

This leaves approximately 160 miles that has been allocated by REA remaining to be built and the construction of this line will depend entirely on the future delivery of conductor and transformers. C. A. Alford of Rowland is president of the Cooperative and has been since its origin.

The Cooperative has borrowed \$1,800,000 from the Federal REA to date. It is strictly owned by the members who are the users of the electricity. Payments have been met to the Federal REA and some 30,000 advance payments made in addition which gives the Co-op a sound financial standing. Dalton said.

FARM NOTES

By A. S. Knowles

Farmers who need to reduce the rat population on their farms are urged to apply for rat bait at the County Agent's office by April 17. The cost will be \$1.00 for a 3-pound package. This is sufficient bait for the average farm. Red Squill is the killing agent in the bait, but is not harmful to domestic animals. It is the safest rat poison available, because it kills only rats.

The spraying campaign for the control of flies and mosquitoes is being accepted readily by farmers. This is a joint program of the Extension Service and the Board of Health. Free living would be happy if these pests were controlled. Apply at the Home Agent's office for this service by April 17.

William Graham, Negro farmer of the Five-Point community, who purchased a farm through the Farmers Home Administration has done an outstanding job of fencing for pastures. William plans to keep 5 to 6 brood sows. He is now planning a grazing program of soybeans, millet, oats, and lespedeza for his hogs. For his cattle, he will plant one pasture to sericea lespedeza, one to soybeans, and another to tall fescue and Ladine Clover for permanent pasture. William plans first to produce plenty of home grown meat and next feed out pork and beef for sale to supplement the farm income.

Approximately twenty-five farmers attended the ditching and tile laying demonstration on Mrs. J. S. Johnson's farm last Friday. Those attending were impressed with the type of work being done by the ditching machine. This machine digs the ditch with the proper amount of fall for tile installation. Ditching by hand is slow and usually requires much extra work to keep the bottom of the ditch on a uniform slope ready for tile laying. The group was impressed with the amount of water being removed from the land to be ditched. (Continued on page 4)