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## YOUR SCHOOL NEWS

By K. A. MacDonald

The Board of Education met in regular monthly meeting on Monday, December 6. At this meeting the resignation from the Raeford School Board of J. H. Blue was accepted with regret. Mr. Blue has served on the board for quite a number of years, several which he served as chairman. At a previous meeting the resignation of J. E. Gullledge had been regretfully accepted on account of Mr. Gullledge's election to the office of Register of Deeds. Immediately following the acceptance of Mr. Blue's resignation the board appointed Dr. Marcus Smith and Marion H. Gatlin to fill the vacancies. The Raeford Board as now constituted is A. H. McPhaul, M. R. Smith and M. H. Gatlin.

We wish to thank the former members for their unselfish and untiring service to the schools and to hope for the board as now constituted a long tenure of useful and pleasant service to the youth of the community and county.

We see in the daily papers quite a number of accounts of school bus accidents. We know that everyone is interested in the operation of the Hoke County school buses. We feel that the patrons of the schools will be glad to know that the grand jury at the November term of court went carefully into the transportation problems and found the buses to be in good order.

Last week W. B. Griffin, state school bus driver examiner, came to the county and made a careful examination of all buses and found them to be in excellent shape.

It is earnestly requested that any patron noticing anything out of the way with a bus report this to the school authorities. All reports are investigated the day received. Every care is taken by those in charge to see that the buses are operated safely, efficiently and as economically as possible. The co-operation of the public is earnestly requested.

The friends of Miss Hortense McGregor of the Mildouson faculty sympathize with her in the loss of her mother who died at her home at Mildouson last week. Interment took place at her old home church of St. John's near Gibson.

The third month of the white schools ends today. The term is fast slipping away. Parents are urged to see that the children are kept in school every day they are physically able.

Dr. Clyde A. Edwin, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, will address the "Teachers Night" banquet of the Raeford Kiwanis Club tonight. We think that this is a most gracious courtesy that the Kiwanis club extends to the teachers each year.

Quite a lot of additional surplus commodities have been placed in the store room since the last writing consisting of canned tomatoes, dried apricots, prunes and fresh cabbage. Managers of the lunchrooms are requested to call for these items.

We are glad to report that Prin. Garfield Coleman of the Freedom school is able to be back on the job after being ill for some time. Also, we are glad to report that Prin. John Munford of the Rockfish Colored school has been able to leave the hospital this week. We hope that he will be able to resume his work after the Christmas holidays.

We are sorry to learn that Rev. J. B. Chavis, husband of Prin. Carrie Belle Chavis of the Mace-

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## New Board Takes Office Monday; Thomas Chairman

### Four New Commissioners And Solicitor Sworn In; Gullledge Starts Full Term

A new board of county commissioners for Hoke county took their oath of office in a body before Clerk of the Superior court J. B. Cameron at a ceremony in the courtroom Monday morning. They were Fulford McMillan, F. Knox Watson, J. W. Smith, J. H. Wright and W. M. Thomas. Watson was also on the retiring board. The clerk also administered oaths of office to Henry McDiarmid, succeeding himself as judge of the recorder's court, and J. M. Andrews, solicitor of the recorder's court succeeding N. McNeir Smith.

W. M. Thomas was chosen chairman of the board at their first meeting following their swearing in, and he administered the oath of office as Register of Deeds to Joe E. Gullledge. The board then approved Gullledge's bond. The jury for the January term of Superior court was drawn.

It was reported to the board that A. S. Knowles, county farm agent, had received an offer of another position, and the Board voted to release him, should he decide to accept.

J. C. Wright and H. E. Dees were employed for six more months, to June 30, 1949, at the same salaries.

**Old Board's Meeting**  
The retiring board of commissioners held their last meeting also on Monday morning. F. A. Monroe, N. B. Sinclair, E. R. Pickler and Hector McNeill were the retiring members.

F. Knox Watson, chairman, expressed his sincere appreciation for the fine service that they had rendered Hoke county and for the co-operation they had extended to him as chairman. He assured them that each one retired from the board with his goodwill and best wishes and that he would always remember their friendly association together.

J. A. McGoogan, county accountant, joined Mr. Watson in these sentiments and added that it had also been a great pleasure for him to work with Watson.

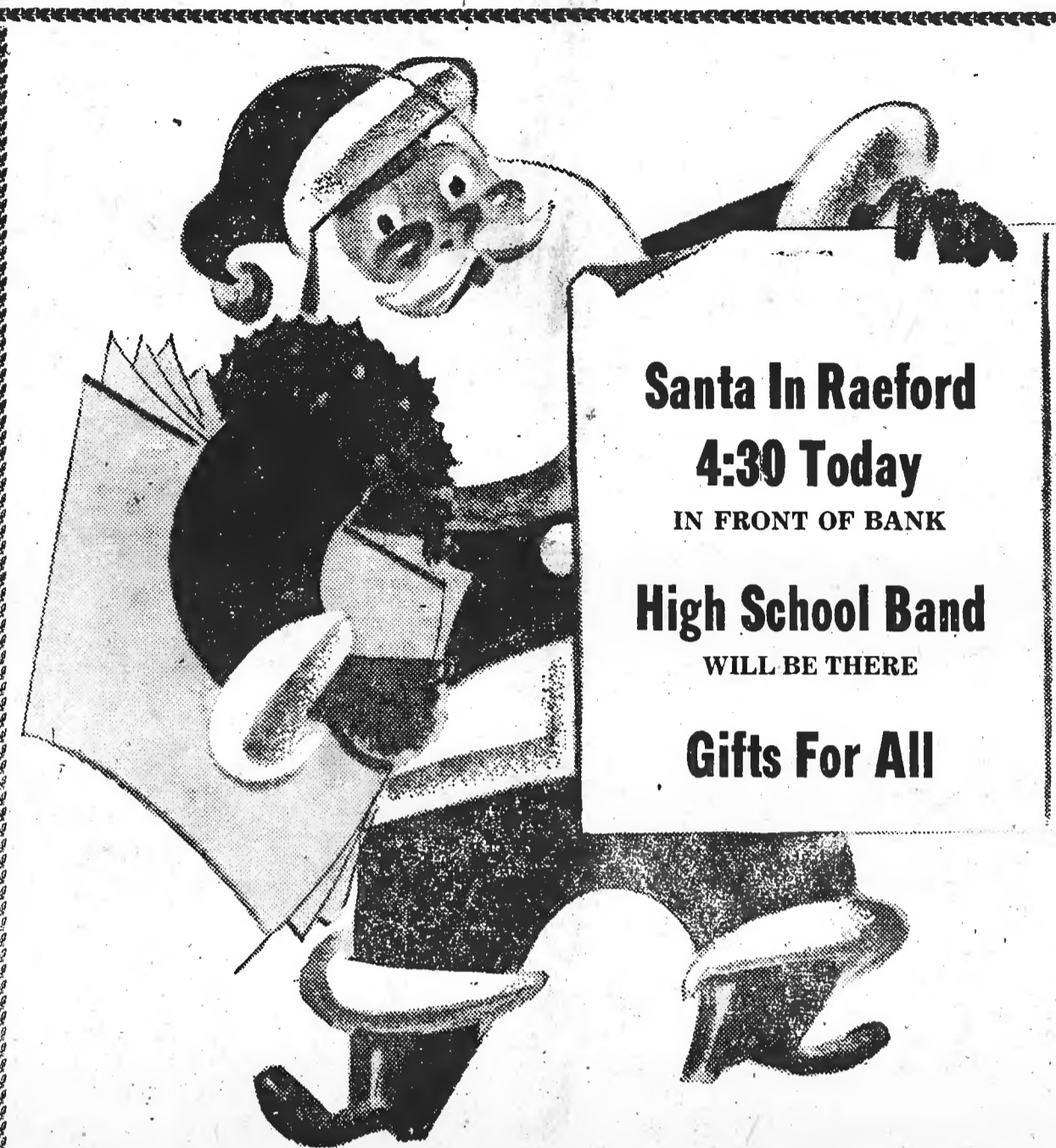
## CROP Committee Has Meeting Mon.

The Christian Rural Overseas Program committee for Hoke County met with Chairman P. O. Lee on Monday night to complete plans for the drive in the county for food for CROP. The county's goal has been set at one carload of food.

Each community has been organized with workers and chairmen being substantially the same as those listed in last week's paper. The campaign is to be centered around the various community houses in the county, with the community goal being 100 bushels of grain or the equivalent for each community. In addition to this each school child in the county will be given an opportunity to join in the campaign.

After food has been received and stored in the community houses it will be moved to the A & R depot here to be stored until the car is available for it to be loaded and shipped. Israel Mann and the Hoke High school Key club boys have agreed to load the car.

In connection with the CROP drive it is interesting to note that it is just about seven years since this county became one of the first in the country to start a scrap drive to further the war effort and now this drive is for food for the same people the scrap was used to conquer.



## Farm Bureau To Meet On Tuesday; Plan Square Dance

The board of directors of the Hoke County Farm Bureau at a meeting this week decided not to have a supper at the annual meeting as has been the practice in the past, but to have a square dance instead and to contribute the money saved to the March of Dimes campaign for funds to fight infantile paralysis. The dance is to be held at the Raeford armory next Tuesday night starting at eight o'clock.

Another worthwhile charity will also benefit by the decision of the board. This one is CROP, the Christian Rural Overseas Program. It will benefit through the fact that the Farm Bureau members attending the square dance and annual meeting will be required to bring a contribution of food or grain, etc., to the dance for admission. A truck will be stationed at the door to receive the contributions, which will be stored here until the car is loaded with the county's contributions to CROP at a later date.

## Warn Against Delay In Mailing Christmas Parcels

With the normal mail volume at an all-time high, Postmaster General Jesse M. Donaldson today warned Christmas mailers that unless they mail their Christmas parcels at once and their Christmas cards well in advance of Christmas Week that they face the likelihood of not having them delivered until after Christmas.

Directing the attention of Christmas mailers to the fact that normal mail volume in the last several months has daily reached the proportions of the peak of the Christmas period a year ago, the Postmaster General said that

## KILLED WHILE HUNTING

H. Clarence Mann, 57, retired lumberman and farmer who was serving as building inspector at Fort Bragg, was accidentally killed while hunting near Lillington last Saturday. His wife, Mrs. Mamie Senter Mann, who survives, is a sister of Neill Senter of Raeford.

Funeral services were held Monday at the Lillington Presbyterian church of which he was an elder. Surviving in addition to his wife are four sons, four daughters, and 12 brothers and sisters.

## Luther Clark Buried At Bethel Last Sunday

### Farmer and Former Deputy Sheriff Passes At Home Friday After Long Illness

Luther Clark, farmer and former deputy sheriff of this county, died at his home in Blue Springs township at 12:30 o'clock last Friday morning. He was 62 years of age and his health had steadily declined for over a year.

He was a native of Scotland county, son of the late Malcolm Clark and Mary Ann McNeill Clark. He was deputy sheriff when Edgar Hall was sheriff and held the position for about 16 years.

Funeral services were conducted at Bethel Presbyterian church Sunday afternoon by the pastor, the Rev. S. A. Ewart, assisted by the Rev. W. B. Heyward, pastor of the Raeford Presbyterian church. Burial was in churchyard cemetery. Pallbearers were Hilton, Graham, Dutch, Reuben, and Robert Ellis Clark, all nephews of the deceased, and Dan Currie.

Surviving are his wife, the former Maude Vinton Blue of Hoke County; six daughters, Mrs. J. A. Bounds of Laurinburg, Mrs. Harold West of Salisbury, Mrs. Harold Beach of Lenoir, Mrs. Odell Osborne of Red Springs, Mrs. Carl Lodolee of Rochester, N. Y., Mildred Clark of the home; six sons, Archie Clark of Red Springs, Wilson Clark of Raeford, John Clark of Morganton, Douglas Clark, Glenn Clark and Billy Joe Clark of the home; one half-brother, McLaurin Clark of Raeford.

## Steve Lambert To Play Here Dec. 23

J. H. Blue, chairman of the American Legion dance committee, announced this week that the orchestra of Stephen Lambert had been engaged to play for the Legion's Christmas Dance at the Armory on the night of Thursday, December 23.

Lambert's orchestra is well known and popular throughout this section and has played for several dances here in the past.

The Sauline Players will present Dickens' "David Copperfield" on Wednesday, December 15 at 10:30 a. m. in the high school auditorium.

## Farmers Choose R. J. Hasty To Head AAA Program

Delegates from the townships of the county met last Friday and elected the county Agricultural conservation committee for 1949. The delegates had been previously chosen in the community elections. Chairman for the new year is Robert J. Hasty, who succeeds T. D. Potter. Vice-chairman is to be Horace Walters and third member of the committee is John Parker. N. F. Sinclair and Ira L. Newton were chosen alternate members. The new committee met and elected Miss Louise V. Blue secretary to the county committee and treasurer of the Hoke County Agricultural conservation association.

The county chairman has also announced the results of the community elections. These follow the name of the chairman first, the vice-chairman second and the delegate to the county convention last.

Allendale Township: L. A. McGugan, J. W. Hasty, J. A. Roper, L. A. McGugan; Alternates: David Currie, George Watson.

Antioch Township: G. C. Lytle, W. L. Gibson, Douglas McPhaul, W. L. Gibson; Alternates: W. C. Hodgins, F. C. McPhaul.

Blue Springs Township: J. R. Hendrix, J. W. Russell, A. R. Walters, R. J. Hasty; Alternate: Emmitt C. Smith.

Little River Township: E. B. Blue, C. H. Marks, N. A. McGill, A. K. McMillan; Alternates: L. D. Brooks, M. H. Cameron.

McLaurin Township: D. P. Gillis, F. A. Monroe, T. C. Jones, D. P. Gillis; Alternates: Clarence Koonce, John Parker.

Quewhiffle Township: Ralph Cothran, W. T. Bobbitt, R. H. Webb, H. B. Walters; Alternates: Warren Phillips.

Raeford Township: Clarence Brown, D. B. McFadyen, William Lentz, W. J. McNeill; Alternates: W. S. Maxwell, W. J. McNeill.

Stonewall Township: W. J. McBryde, H. T. Hine, C. D. Bostic, W. L. Smith; Alternates: J. L. McFadyen, O. B. Maxwell.

## BULLETIN

Word was received as the paper went to press that Mrs. D. P. Andrews of Rockfish passed away at a Fayetteville hospital yesterday afternoon. She had been a patient there since last week and her children had come home. Funeral arrangements were not learned.

## DR. PAUL P. MCCAIN'S MEMORY HONORED AT SANATORIUM TUES.

### 600 Attend Production Credit Meeting Here

#### Roland Currie Wins Prize; Membership Favors Retiring Stock Held By Govt.

Over 600 stockholders of the Laurinburg Production Credit Association held their annual meeting in the courtroom of the Hoke county courthouse here yesterday morning. They voted in favor of a proposal to sell more stock in the association for the purpose of retiring stock held by the Federal government.

The meeting was presided over by N. H. G. Balfour, president. New officers elected were W. L. Thornberry, of this county and F. C. McCormick, of Scotland county, to the board of directors. The annual report of the board of directors was presented by W. L. Poole.

Speaker for the occasion was C. S. Rigby of the Production Credit corporation of Columbia, South Carolina. He pointed out the advantages of the course the local association is taking and commended it for taking steps to retire the outside stock.

Winner of the \$50 attendance prize was Roland Currie of this county.

### Recorder Hears 6 Cases Tuesday

Six cases were heard in Hoke County recorder's court Tuesday morning by Judge Henry McDiarmid. Two of the defendants, Lonnie Austin McFadyen, colored, and John E. Ray, white, pleaded guilty of driving drunk. Sentence in each case was 90 days to be suspended on payment of \$100 and the court costs.

William Conner colored, got 30 days to be suspended on payment of \$10 and the cost for larceny. He went to the roads.

Coble Lowry, Indian, got 90 days to be suspended on payment of \$25 and the costs for violating the prohibition laws.

W. H. Gilchrist, colored, got 60 days suspended on payment of \$35 and the costs for driving without an operator's license and with bad brakes.

Leroy Locklear, Indian, got 30 days suspended on payment of the costs for forcible trespass. He had previously returned some property he had removed.

### Mrs. Effie Chavis, 80, Dies Friday

Mrs. Effie Chavis, 80, died at her home on Lumber Bridge, Route one, last Friday after a short illness. She was a native of Chesterfield county, South Carolina, and the widow of Levi Chavis.

She is survived by one adopted son, Raymond Chavis, of Lumber Bridge, Route one. Funeral service was conducted at 2:30 o'clock Sunday afternoon from the home and interment was in the Ephesus Baptist church cemetery.

### CHRISTMAS SEALS OUT: WANTS MONEY BACK

Mrs. Neill A. McDonald, Jr., Christmas Seal Sale chairman, said yesterday that Christmas seals had been mailed to several hundred persons and firms in the town and county who had been in the habit of contributing to this anti-tuberculosis fund, and she urged all recipients to use the addressed envelop enclosed to return the money for them.

### Notables Pay Moving Tributes To Former Head As His Portrait Is Unveiled

Memorial Services for Doctor Paul P. McCain were held at the Central North Carolina Tuberculosis Sanatorium at McCain on Tuesday.

Luncheon was served in the dining room at 1 o'clock to several hundred who had received special invitations. These included state officials, doctors of all State tubercular Sanatoria, other doctors and their wives, members and close friends of the McCain family and others. Dr. H. Stuart Willis, present superintendent, and Mrs. Willis greeted guests as they entered the dining room.

Carl C. Council of Durham, secretary of the Board of Directors of the Sanatorium, presided. He explained why this meeting was being held, and that the North Carolina Medical Association was presenting the portrait of Dr. McCain to the Sanatorium. He introduced the luncheon speaker, Dr. Edward T. Blumquist, the chief of the office of State aid for tuberculosis of the U. S. Public Health Service. Dr. Blumquist made a most timely and fitting talk on the progress in control and prevention of tuberculosis and what an important part in this Dr. McCain had had. Charles C. Cannon of Concord, member of the Board of Directors, was then introduced. He told the great needs of the present Sanatoria and the need for a new Western Sanatorium. He read a letter from Lee Gravelly of Rocky Mount, chairman of the Board, in which he regretted his absence and spoke of his association and friendship with Dr. McCain, and his earnest hope that more funds would be available for Tuberculosis work in North Carolina.

Dr. H. S. Willis presented many of the distinguished guests. These included Justice Wiley Rutledge of the Supreme Court; Justice E. B. Denny of the North Carolina Supreme Court; Lieutenant-Governor and Mrs. L. Y. Ballentine; Lieutenant-Governor Elect and Mrs. W. P. Taylor; Attorney General and Mrs. Harry S. McMullan. Senator William B. Umstead; Senator-elect J. M. Broughton; Congressional Representative C. B. Deane, Eighth District, and Ertel Carlyle, Seventh District; Former Eighth District Representative Walter Lambeth; State Representatives H. Clifton Blue of Moore County, Ray Taylor, of Muncombe, and Harry Green, of Hoke; Dr. Frank Graham, presi-

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## FARM NOTES

By A. S. Knowles

### TEN YEARS OF PROGRESS

During the last 10 years Hoke County has made outstanding progress in Agriculture. Almost all phases of agriculture have been elevated during this period. There have been tremendous increases in yields of crops and value of crops. The dairy cattle for family use has been on the increase but has not reached the point where the milk supply is near adequate. There has been much progress made in mechanical farming and also in the improvement of homes and conveniences in the home and on the farm.

### PROGRESS WITH CROPS

Tobacco - Hoke County farmers have done an outstanding job of producing and marketing the tobacco crop during the past 10 years. There were approximately 3000 acres of tobacco in the county 10 years ago compared to 5000 acres in 1947. The yield of tobacco

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