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YOUR SCHOOL NEWS

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At the chapel hour at Hoke High on Wednesday W. L. Poole, representing the American Legion, spoke to the student body on the American Legion citizenship award given to the best all-round school citizen in high school. Robert Gatlin, Raeford chairman for the Pollo Drive, also spoke to the student body in behalf of this drive. After the chapel exercises Mr. Gatlin met with the Key club and discussed their participation in the drive. The Key club will actively assist in this most worthy undertaking.

Mrs. Neill McFadyen, president of the Hoke-Raeford P. T. A. announces that the next regular meeting will be held at the Raeford Graded school, Monday evening, January 17, at 7:45 o'clock. Tuesday afternoon the executive committee of the P. T. A. held a meeting at the Graded school building. Plans were made for the meeting to be held Monday night.

The Coleman Puppets will show in the Hoke High auditorium tomorrow at 2,10 p. m. The show is open to anyone wishing to attend.

The library at Hoke High has been closed for the past several days while Mrs. Gore, the librarian, and her student assistants took stock and re-assessed the library.

Oscar Scull, Jr. received an injury in his eye last Friday while at play on the grounds at the Raeford Graded school. It is reported that Oscar is doing well but will be out of school for possibly six weeks. We hope that he will come around all right.

Mrs. Blackman of the Raeford Graded school faculty was absent from school Monday and Tuesday on account of the illness of her daughter in Hartsville, S. C. Mrs. Younger Snead substituted for her.

Mrs. Clyde Upchurch, Jr. of the Hoke High faculty was absent Friday in order to attend the funeral of her college roommate.

A group of parents and teachers met at Laurel Hill school Wednesday, January 5. They made plans for a countywide parents and teachers meeting, which is to be March 25 at Bowmore school. The teachers are having group meetings. Group four met at Piney Bay school January 10. The topic discussed was, "The Effect Reading Plays on the Personality of the Student."

All schools in the county will cooperate with their township chairmen in the Pollo Fund campaign. It is understood that the school campaign will take place the last week of the drive Jan. 24-31.

Our parents and pupils have a great deal to be thankful for and we hope that every child and every parent in the county will make a contribution to this worthy cause. No one knows who may be the next victim. A good collection during this drive will be a good insurance policy for all of us.

Tuesday bus No. 19 overturned, but we are thankful to report that no one was injured. Very little damage was done to the bus. The accident was investigated by the highway patrol; no charges were preferred; however, school authorities felt it better to relieve the driver of his duties.

LEE'S MOTHER DIES

The Rev. and Mrs. P. O. Lee left yesterday for Virginia, after hearing that Mr. Lee's mother had died there. All the information available here yesterday was that she is to be buried in Clinton tomorrow.

Knowles Resigns Accepts Position Brunswick County

County Agent Accepts Same Job in Coastal County; To Start Work There Feb. 1

County Agent A. S. Knowles sent his resignation as farm agent of Hoke county to the county board of commissioners. He requested that acceptance be made effective February 1, and said that he expected to assume the position of farm agent in Brunswick county on that date. Brunswick county is in the southeast corner of the State and its county seat is Southport. Mr. Knowles' letter, directed to W. M. Thomas, chairman of the board, is reproduced below. No action has yet been taken to secure a successor to Mr. Knowles, who has been here 11 years, succeeding H. L. Meacham. The letter follows. Dear Sir:

I am at this time offering my resignation as County Agent for Hoke County and ask that it be accepted by the Board effective February 1, 1949. On that date, I will take over the work as County

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Girls Team Wins Two More Games; Boys Split Two

Coach Faircloth's Hoke High girls continued their winning ways in the past week, taking two games and pushing their consecutive streak of victories to 13. They defeated Laurel Hill here last Friday night, 33-24. Lewis was high scorer with 16 points, followed by Williams with 12. Clark got 4. Gentry was high for the visitors with 11 points.

On Tuesday night of this week the girls defeated the Massey Hill girls here in a one-sided game, 36-11. It was another easy one and every girl on the squad played in the game. Marian Lewis again led the scoring with 15 points. Lynda Williams, a ninth-grader who has been showing up well since she broke into the starting line-up after the first game, got 10 points. Mildred Clark got 6 and Sarah Cole got 4 in the three minutes she was in the game. Coach Faircloth praised his guards, Sue Upchurch, Florence Cameron and Alice Sutton Matheson for their fine job in holding the opponents' scores down.

Boys Win. Lose. The Hoke High boys won their game from Laurel Hill on Friday night in a contest that went overtime, 47 to 41. The score was tied at 38-38 when the regular time ended. Gullede led the scoring with 18 points and Yarborough and McNeill got 8 each. Gibson was high for the losers with 15.

On Tuesday night the local boys went down before a tall and experienced Massey Hill team here, 45-22. High scorer of the game was Brady of Massey Hill who got 12 points. Gullede, had 7 points for Raeford.

The local teams meet Tar Heel here tomorrow night with the girls game starting at 7:30 and the boys game at nine o'clock.

METHODIST MEN WILL MEET TOMORROW NIGHT

The men's club of the Raeford Methodist church will hold its monthly supper and meeting at seven o'clock tomorrow night at the Upchurch airport here. Speaker for the occasion will be Rev. Mr. Humphries, of Southern Pines. Dinner will be served by the ladies of Parker's Methodist church.

TRUMAN GOES THROUGH

Among those passing through Hoke county yesterday was President Harry S. Truman who visited General George C. Marshall in Pinehurst.

THANK FIREMEN FOR ISSUE'S APPEARANCE

A pile of paper, a pile of kindling wood, and some coal are the right ingredients for a good fire and all were present in The News-Journal's backyard Monday afternoon. A good fire got started and was in a fair way to take hold of the building when the timely arrival of the fire department put an end to it. A burned out window sash and frame was about the damage.

We are grateful to the fire department for putting out the fire, as well as for being so careful not to damage our machinery with water.

CCC President Will Address Carolina Ginners

Ralph Trigg, President of the Commodity Credit Corp., and Administrator of the Production and Marketing Administration, will speak at the Annual Meeting of the Carolinas Ginners Association in Bennettsville, S. C., January 17th. Mr. Trigg, after engaging actively in ranching operations in New Mexico, had several years of broad experience in management and fiscal control work in that and other States. This was followed by a period of administrative service with the armed forces, before accepting an executive appointment with the Department of Agriculture.

Mr. Trigg joined the staff of the Department of Agriculture in January 1946, as Assistant to the Secretary of Agriculture. He was appointed Assistant Administrator of the Production and Marketing Administration in June 1946; Deputy Administrator in February 1947; and Administrator on April 15, 1948. He has also served as Vice-President, and now President of the Commodity Credit Corporation.

Among other speakers that will appear on the program are Wm. E. Meek, Agricultural Engineer, Delta Experiment Station, Stoneville, Miss.; W. K. Anderson, cotton ginner and producer of Clarkdale, Miss.; Chas. A. Bennett, Engineer in Charge, U. S. Gin Laboratory, Stoneville, Miss.; A. W. Fisher of Cannon Mills, Kannapolis, N. C.; and F. F. Bondy, entomologist of the Pee Dee Experiment Station, Florence, S. C.

There will be a business session for the members, and every member is urged to be present. All other cotton ginners throughout the Carolinas and Virginia, as well as cotton producers, are extended a special invitation to attend this meeting. The general public is also invited to attend.

PROGRAM AT MILDODUSON NEXT TUESDAY NIGHT FOR MARCH OF DIMES

J. W. "Pete" Canady, of Dundarrach, chairman of the Stone-wall March of Dimes committee, announced yesterday that he had secured an outstanding speaker for the folks in that section on the subject of infantile paralysis. L. L. McDonald of Chicago, Ill. will speak at the Mildodouson school on next Tuesday night at 7:30 o'clock. Mr. Canady invites everyone to come and bring their friends.

PHILLIES WILL AGAIN TRAIN ROOKIES HERE

Eddie Collins, Jr., manager of minor league clubs with the Philadelphia Phillies, baseball team of the National League, was in Raeford this week making arrangements to operate a training camp here for several Class C and D clubs owned by the Phillies. Four such clubs trained here last spring for about three weeks and Collins said he expected to bring about the same number of players this year. The boys are expected to begin arriving on March 27.

Kiwanis Club Installs Officers On Thursday

Robert Gatlin Is President; Succeeds Lewis Upchurch; P. O. Lee Vice-President

The Raeford Kiwanis club installed its officers for the year 1949 at the club's regular supper and meeting at the High school cafeteria last Thursday night. Paul Butler of Southern Pines, who succeeded R. B. Lewis of the Raeford club as Division Lieutenant governor, conducted the installation.

Robert Gatlin was installed as president of the club, succeeding Lewis Upchurch. Other new officers are P. O. Lee, vice president and Hinton McPhaul, secretary-treasurer. New directors are R. L. Murray, Edwin Smith, Tom McBryde, Julian Jordan, W. B. Heyward, Archie Howard and Marion Gatlin.

In installing the officers Mr. Butler was high in his praise of the Raeford club's work during 1948 under the leadership of Lewis Upchurch and optimistic for the future activities. His talk to the group was on the seven objectives for the year 1949, as laid down by Kiwanis International.

These objectives, Mr. Butler said are, 1. Reinforce the foundations of our social structure—the home, the church and the school; 2. Develop character and self-reliance in our youth by providing proper guidance, sound leadership, and abundant opportunity; 3. Perform all responsibilities of citizenship, and promote the fullest participation in local and national affairs in order that the fundamentals of free government and individual enterprise may be preserved; 4. Combat Communism and all other ideologies which tend to destroy the spiritual, economic, and political freedom of the individual; 5. Foster the conservation, replenishment, and development of our national resources; 6. Strengthen the existing bonds of friendship between Canada and the United States, and support all programs essential to their defense and mutual welfare; 7. Work for peace and international understanding, and further the efforts of the United Nations.

Annual Meeting Of Bank Stockholders

The stockholders of the Bank of Raeford held their annual meeting last Thursday morning, January 6.

The annual report of the bank was read by R. B. Lewis, executive vice-president, and showed that the bank had enjoyed one of the best business years in its history in 1948. The report showed that the bank had added \$10,000 to the surplus account and that a dividend of 15 percent had been paid to all stockholders of record on January 1, 1949.

Directors elected for the year are H. L. Gatlin, F. B. Sexton, J. B. Thomas, T. B. Upchurch, Jr., J. L. McNeill, A. K. Stevens, C. L. Thomas, H. L. Gatlin, Jr., L. M. Upchurch and R. B. Lewis.

At the directors meeting following the stockholders meeting H. L. Gatlin was elected president, R. B. Lewis executive vice-president, F. B. Sexton, vice-president, A. B. Hamilton, cashier, and Miss Jessie B. Ferguson assistant cashier.

CHRISTMAS SEAL NOTICE

Mrs. Neill A. McDonald, Jr., chairman for the county Christmas seal sale conducted during December, said this week that over one hundred regular contributors to the Tuberculosis seal sale had failed to respond. She said that the quota for the county had not been reached and asked those who had thus far neglected the matter to send in their contributions so that the money might be sent away this week-end.

Presbyterians To Start Music Worship Service

The Raeford Presbyterian church will begin something new in Sunday evening services when it starts the first of its three-months music worship programs on next Sunday evening at 7:30.

Dean Robert Reuter, head of the music department at Flora MacDonald college, will direct the program over the three-months period, which consist largely of congregational singing. These services, it was pointed out, will be decidedly informal, and are designed to give to those attending them, an opportunity to worship in song under capable leadership and direction.

Dean Reuter is well known in Raeford, having directed musical programs here on a number of occasions. Too, a number of local singers have participated in programs of the Red Springs choral club under his direction. These singers who have heard of the local church plans, have expressed great satisfaction in learning of his coming to Raeford on Sunday evenings, and it is expected that large congregations will meet him here.

All members of the other congregations in Raeford are invited by the Presbyterians to have a part in these music worship programs. In fact, it has been said by some of the Presbyterian officers, that the real desire in beginning these programs, is to encourage the entire community in its music worship. An unsurpassed opportunity is being given to local people in this provision to have Dean Reuter here, as his abilities are widely recognized as being of the best available, and it is felt that these services will fill a need long existing in the community.

County Council Of Home Dem. Women Meets

Twenty-eight Home Demonstration Club women, who are officers in their local clubs, met in the Hoke High School lunch room Monday afternoon to transact business and formulate plans for the new year's club work. New County Council officers were elected as follows: President: Mrs. John Baker, Vice-President: Mrs. B. F. McGregor, Secretary - Treasurer: Mrs. J. R. Blue.

Both Mrs. Baker and Mrs. Blue are members of the Little River club and it is a distinct honor to their club to have two of their members elected to county offices.

The council discussed the matter of the use of the hospital bed and wheel chair which the club women purchased within the last two years. It was decided that since there had been numerous calls for the bed by club women or members of their families that it would be necessary to charge a fee of \$4.00 per month to people who are non-club members.

In February the Home Demonstration Clubs are studying the topic, "Take Time to be a Good Citizen". It was decided that since this discussion comes during the time the Legislature is in session it would be interesting to visit Raleigh and attend the meetings of the Senate and the House. Tuesday, February 1st, was the day set to make the trip. The group will leave on a chartered bus from in front of the Raeford Court House at 7:30 a. m. The price of the round trip will be approximately \$2.85 plus the cost of lunch. Those who plan to go should register at the (Continued on Page 4)

KIWANIANS TO HEAR POLIO REPRESENTATIVE

Phillip Randolph of Chapel Hill, March of Dimes chairman for the Eastern North Carolina division, will be the guest speaker at the regular weekly meeting of the Raeford Kiwanis club at the High school cafeteria tonight.

MANY BIG EVENTS SLATED FOR RECORD DIMES DRIVE

The annual March of Dimes swings into line throughout the nation January 14 and will continue to the end of the month, Lewis Upchurch, 1949 March of Dimes chairman for Hoke county announced today, urging everyone to give at least 50% more this year.

Recorder Hears Dozen Cases; 10 Speeders Charged

State Highway Patrolmen were active in Hoke county last week, bringing in 13 speeders. Ten of these were white travelers from out of the State and were allowed to post bond of \$25 each for their appearance in recorder's court for trial. They were W. P. James, Hermain Newfield, M. C. Martin, R. H. Tutthill, M. E. Davidson, H. J. Simpson, Sam Eig, Elliot Sperber, J. J. Morris, G. E. Miller, and all failed to appear for trial and forfeited their bonds.

The other three, Lewis Cunningham, colored, Kestler Naylor and J. A. Gardner, both white, appeared for trial and paid \$10 each and the costs.

Milton Chavis, Indian, was sent to the roads for one year for assaulting Ester and Bobby Collins with a deadly weapon.

Lacy Lee Collins, Indian, got 60 days suspended on payment of \$25 and the costs for having a whiskey still.

Willie S. Blue, colored, paid \$10 and the costs for improper brakes. Libby Wilson, colored, got 90 days suspended on payment of \$100 and the costs for driving drunk.

William E. Meador, white, paid the costs for violating the prohibition laws.

John Purcell and his wife Willie Purcell, colored, paid the costs for violating the prohibition laws. 30-day sentences were suspended on condition of two years good behavior.

The State took a nol proci in the case in which Leroy Murchison, colored, was charged with raping his sister-in-law, Olivia McIntyre, when it appeared that it wasn't rape.

Wesley Williams, colored of McCain, got 30 days suspended on payment of the costs for temporary larceny of an automobile.

Our Legislators On Committees

Representative Harry Greene and Senator J. Benton Thomas received their committee assignments for the session in announcements Monday from the house speaker and the lieutenant governor, respectively.

Greene was appointed chairman of the committee on manufacturers and labor. He was appointed a member of the following committees: Agriculture, Commercial fisheries, conservation and development, education, finance, insurance, propositions and grievances, public utilities, public welfare, rules, wildlife resources and University trustees.

Thomas was appointed to the following committees in the Senate: agriculture, banks and currency, corporations, courts and judicial districts, finance, immigration, institutions for the blind, insurance, justices of the peace, pensions and wildlife resources.

PTA TO MEET MONDAY

Mrs. Neill McFadyen, president of the Hoke - Raeford Parent-Teacher association, has announced that the monthly meeting of the association will be held in the auditorium of the Raeford Graded school at 7:45 o'clock next Monday night. She urges all parents to attend.

"The record polio epidemic of last summer and the soaring costs of care and treatment of patients," Mr. Upchurch said, "point to the urgent need of putting on the greatest March of Dimes drive in history. This annual appeal is the sole source of funds through which the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis can carry on the fight against polio."

The Hoke County Campaign Chairman disclosed that the National Foundation exhausted its emergency epidemic aid fund last summer in servicing stricken areas during the recent epidemics. "Consequently," Mr. Upchurch said, "we must all put our shoulders to the wheel and help roll up a new mark during the March of Dimes."

Mr. Upchurch revealed that every March of Dimes campaign committee had been organized well in advance, with plans geared so that residents of all parts of the county will have ample opportunity to back the fight against infantile paralysis.

The Special Events Committee, he said, has arranged for a variety of interesting activities during January 14-31, and the Sports Committee has set up a top-notch calendar of March of Dimes sports events. "Business and industrial leaders, through the Commerce and Industry Committee have aligned themselves wholeheartedly back of the drive," "The House-to-House, Women's and School committees likewise have planned the most intensive March of Dimes campaign ever slated in Hoke County.

"As we near the opening date of the 1949 March of Dimes," Mr. Upchurch said, "let us bear in mind that each and every one of us has a stake in this humanitarian work. During the past six years more than 100,000 fellow-Americans have been stricken by polio. This disease is on the increase in the United States. We do not know where or how severely it may strike in the coming summer. So we must prepare now for any eventuality. I am sure we in Hoke County will meet the challenge."

Community Committees

The county chairman has also announced the workers for each of the communities in the drive. They are listed below with the first named in each group being the chairman.

Raeford—Robert Gatlin, Neill A. MacDonald, W. B. Heyward, Harvey Warlick and W. J. Coates; **Little River**—Dougald Cameron, Ed Simpson, J. W. Smith, and Elmer Cameron; **Dundarrach**—J. W. Canady, C. W. Bostic, N. H. G. Balfour and Mrs. Jesse Gibson; **Timberland**—Mrs. Leon Cameron, Mrs. J. F. Jordan, Mrs. B. L. Williamson and Mrs. Paul McDonald; **Allendale and Blue Springs**—W. L. Roper, Dave Currie, Miss Willie Mae Liles, Mrs. J. S. Currie; **Rockfish**—E. T. Brock, Miss Lillie Wood, Mrs. Mary McInnis, T. C. Jones; **Wayside**—Dick Neeley and John Parker; **Ashley Heights**—Mrs. D. H. (Continued on page 4)

TOMMIE UPCHURCH ILL

Tommy Upchurch got a bad headache about the first of last week and on Thursday he was taken to a Fayetteville hospital where he suffered with it until yesterday when he was reported to be still suffering, but somewhat less. Diagnosis seems to be that some sort of infection seems to exist near his brain, possibly a virus given him by a mosquito while he was in Florida during the Christmas holidays.