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YOUR SCHOOL NEWS

By K. A. MacDonald

The Raeford Graded school will present its spring operetta "Florinda, or the Rose and the Pearl" tomorrow night, Friday, May 6, at 8 o'clock in the Graded school auditorium. In addition to this presentation the operetta will be given at about 10 A. M. on the same day for the benefit of the school children. Mr. Turlington says that any parents who find it impossible to attend on Friday night will be welcome to the morning performance.

Last Friday night the Rockfish school presented its operetta, "Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs," to an over-flow crowd that jammed the house far beyond the doors. The presentation was excellent and the audience enjoyed it thoroughly. Teachers and pupils are to be congratulated on the excellence of their production.

Principal J. W. Turlington of the Raeford Graded school announces that last week a fire drill was held at which time the building was entirely cleared in one minute and four seconds including 3 children on crutches. We think this is a splendid accomplishment, and that the parents should appreciate the efforts for the attention to the safety given their children by principals and faculty.

Principal W. T. Gibson of Hoke High and Mrs. Mary McInnis, Science teacher, attended a science conference called by the State Department of Public Instruction in Fayetteville on last Tuesday afternoon. This conference was held for a study of new science textbooks and new methods in teaching science.

On next Tuesday standard tests will be administered to the seventh grades in all white elementary schools. Wednesday tests will be given in all other grades in these schools. Wednesday will also be seventh grade day at Hoke High. All seventh grade pupils will be guests of the high school on that day.

The Hoke High band has been invited to play for the regular monthly meeting of the Rockfish PTA at the Rockfish auditorium tonight at 8 o'clock. We understand that this will be a joint meeting of the PTA and the Home Demonstration club. We are glad the band will be able to play for this meeting and we hope there will be a full house to hear the program.

Last Friday at 1:30 p. m. the Timberland and McFarland schools held a joint meeting at which time the best readers in the primary and grammar grades from each school completed with each other. Splendid reading accomplishments were shown by the contestants from each school.

After the reading contest spelling matches were held with contestants from the primary grades completing and those from the Grammar grades against each other. The spelling was excellent and showed that good work had been done both by pupils and teachers. This get-together Jay is a yearly event for McFarland and Timberland.

On Tuesday night the seventh grade of the Upchurch school gave its operetta before a large and enthusiastic audience. Pupils and teachers are to be congratulated on the quality of the performance.

Last Friday the Upchurch choral club broadcasted from the studios of Station WEWO, Laurinburg. All who heard them enjoyed (Continued on page 4)

Pay Fines For Driving Without Proper License

If you haven't been up to the courthouse on Wednesday or Thursday and gotten your new driver's license and your initial letter has come up for a new one, it's more than likely going to cost you about \$38 sooner or later. Highway patrolmen bring in two or three each week who haven't bothered to do it and Judge McDiarmid says "\$25 and the costs", every time.

This week three persons paid \$25 and the costs for driving without driver's licenses. They were John E. Conoly and Ruth Fields, both white, and Daniel Taylor, colored soldier. Robert H. Gibson, white, paid \$25 and the costs for allowing an unlicensed driver to drive his car.

Luke Brown, colored, Charlie Daniels, white, and Sanford Jacobs, Indian, each paid the costs for being drunk and disorderly. Three white soldiers did the same. They were Marion Luke, Julie Montoya and J. M. Reaver.

Leroy Murchison, colored, was let off with the costs by Judge McDiarmid for assaulting his wife when she took his side and wanted the matter dropped.

Leo N. Guess, white soldier, paid \$100 and the costs for driving drunk.

Cecil O. White, Rockingham taxi driver in whose cab a woman was killed last Thursday, paid the costs for having improper driver's license. Bronson A. Derrick, white soldier, also paid the costs for having improper driver's license.

Matho Odell Cunningham, colored, paid \$10 and the costs for carelessness and recklessness driving.

Prince McNeill, colored, paid \$10 and the costs for having no brakes.

Forrest C. Shaw, white of Fayetteville, paid \$25 and the costs for carelessness and recklessness driving.

Jack E. Lee, white of Camp Mackall, paid the costs for passing a school bus while it was loading.

Wayne Miller, white soldier, paid \$10 and the costs for speeding. Paul I. Cole, white of Moore county, forfeited a \$25 bond for speeding.

Raeftord Native Wins \$5000 By Writing Novel

A native of Raeford, Charles O'Neal, now a screen writer of Hollywood, California, won a \$5000 third prize in a national literary contest recently with his Irish novel, "Three Wishes."

The prize was awarded by an organization known as "The Christophers," self-described as "a non-profit movement for the return of Christian principles in literature and public life." First and second prizes in the contest were \$15,000 and \$10,000, respectively.

O'Neal said he was born in Raeford in 1904, moving from here to Oklahoma; from Oklahoma to Arkansas; from Arkansas to South Dakota and from South Dakota to Georgia. He played football at Georgia Tech and later at the University of Iowa after which he spent several years in Europe before settling in California to become a writer. This is his first novel.

O'Neal's father, also named Charles O'Neal, worked for Herbert McLean in a furniture store that was located where the Red Wagon is next to Baucom Appliance Co. He later bought the store. The family lived for a time in the house now occupied by Mrs. Dixie Smith and O'Neal built the house now occupied by Mrs. L. B. Brandon.

As the family left here in 1909, little could be learned of Charles O'Neal, but several people here remember his brother Grover and his sister, Beatrice.

Preparations For Clean-Up Week Moving Along

Chamber Designates Days Of Week For Various Cleaning, Painting Jobs

As time for the Clean-Up Paint-Up Week approaches plans are shaping up so that this campaign sponsored by the Raeford Chamber of Commerce will be successful.

The Town will be divided in four sections and committees have been appointed for each section.

The following schedule will apply for the week May 15th-21st.

Sunday—Church Co-operation day.

Monday—Safety and Fire Prevention Day. Clean basements, attics, dispose of rags, newspapers and other rubbish in the house.

Start paint jobs inside and out, also paint porch and lawn furniture.

Tuesday—Front and Back Yard Day. Clean alleys, garages, front and back yards, gutters and walls.

Wednesday—Vacant Lot Day. Clean vacant lots of cans, bottles, paper and weeds.

(on this day be sure that all trash and rubbish is put in piles where it can be picked up on Pick Up Days).

Thursday—Pick Up Day. West Side of Main Street, Magnolia St., Fulton St., Bethel St. and Green St.

Friday—Pick Up Day. East side of Main Street, Stewart St. McLauchlin St. and Jackson St.

Saturday—Householders and owners of business property make final inspection of their premises to insure that no contemplated project has been overlooked.

Every occupant of residential property is urged to enter into the spirit of this campaign to make this a cleaner town. Your loyalty and cooperation will make this a better town to live in.

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Mrs. McKenzie Buried Sunday

Funeral services were conducted at three o'clock last Sunday afternoon at Montpelier Presbyterian church in Wagram for Mrs. M. H. McKenzie, 35, of Wagram. Mrs. McKenzie died Saturday morning at Scotland county Memorial hospital. Burial was in Spring Hill cemetery.

Mrs. McKenzie was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Parks of this county who survive her. She is also survived by her husband and three children, five sisters and six brothers.

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LOCAL GIRL WINS GRANT AT DUKE

Janet Shirley Blue of Raeford has just been awarded a departmental assistantship in Spanish at Duke University for the 1949-50 academic year, Dr. Paul M. Gross, vice-president and dean of the graduate school, announced today.

Some 121 grants have been awarded at Duke to outstanding applicants for awarded work in 18 departments of the university, Dr. Gross said.

Miss Blue received her AB degree from Duke University in 1949. She was a member of Ivy, the freshman scholastic honorary; Phi Beta Kappa, and Sigma Delta Pi, the language honorary.

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TO HOLD CLINIC

The monthly orthopedic clinic will be held Friday, May 6, 1949, in the basement of the Agricultural Building in Lumberton. Dr. Lenox D. Baker of Duke Hospital will be the surgeon in charge. Please register at the desk between eight and eleven o'clock.

Phone Rate Boost Granted To Carolina Telephone Company

A rate increase estimated at \$603,958 a year was granted the Carolina Telephone and Telegraph company Tuesday by the utilities commission.

The phone company, in two applications, has sought increases totaling \$911,978.

In its order the commission said the company had "shown a definite need for additional gross revenue but not in the aggregate amount requested."

The new rates, which will be effective immediately, will enable the company to earn a return of 6.14 per cent on an investment of \$16,223,338, the commission order said.

Carolina Telephone, which has headquarters in Tarboro, serves some 72,031 customers in a large area in eastern North Carolina.

The commission said that the rate increases would range from 25 cents to \$1.75 per month for business telephones and from 25 cents to \$1 per month for residential customers.

A hearing on the original application in which the company sought an increase of \$700,000 was held on January 21, and a hearing on a supplemental application asking for \$211,978 more was held on March 3.

JOHN WALKER AT HOME

John Walker, who underwent a major operation at Veterans Hospital, Fayetteville, last week, returned home yesterday. He is improving rapidly since his operation.

LIBRARY TEA

The people of the county are cordially invited to visit the Hoke County Library today (Thursday, May 5) from 2-5 in the afternoon and from 7:30 till nine in the evening. A special effort is being made to get the people in the county as well as the citizens of Raeford to see the Library which has recently been painted. Refreshments will be served.

TAKE HOLIDAY

The armory will be closed next Tuesday, May 10, as all State employees will be on holiday.

SENIOR PLAY MAY 13

The senior class at the High school will present its annual play in the auditorium next Friday night, May 13. The title of the play this year is "Aunt Tillie Goes to Town," a comedy-drama in three acts. The play is being coached by Miss Miriam Watson.

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CLOSE COURTHOUSE

Along with almost all the business section of Raeford the courthouse is also closing on Wednesday afternoons during the summer. They started yesterday.

CHARLIE SIMMONS

Charlie Simmons, who has been employed at The News-Journal for the past three years, has returned to his home in Winston-Salem where he has accepted a position with The Winston Printing Company. He has been replaced at The News-Journal by

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Tarheel In Washington

By Lester Baker

We southerners usually are willing to go the limit in making humble sacrifices. But when it comes to sacrificing that old southern delicacy — HOMINY GRITS — it's an altogether different story.

The Senate voted favorably a few days ago to require the economic cooperation administration to ship 15 per cent of the corn for Europe in the form of hominy grits, flour, or meal.

It was Senator Russell of Georgia, however, who spoke his piece on the South's supply of hominy grits.

Said the notable Senator: "If this amendment causes any shortage of hominy grits in the South it will be outrageous!"

Then, another senator came forth with the suggestion that it would be well to educate the people of the United States to the food value of grits.

"Perhaps," Russell remarked, "But if we educate the rest of the people in this country to the eat-

Antioch Church Will Dedicate New Building

Former Pastor To Preach At Special Service Sunday Morning; Dinner To Follow

On next Sunday morning, May 8, at the regular morning worship hour the new educational building at Antioch Presbyterian church will be dedicated.

The Rev. H. R. Poole, former pastor of the church and now pastor of a Norfolk, Virginia, church, will preach the dedicatory sermon and Mrs. Poole will sing a solo. Special music will also be provided by the church choir and by the youth choir. Arch McEachern, chairman of the building committee, and W. A. Howard, clerk of the session, will also take part in the service and the pastor, the Rev. J. W. Mann, will lead the congregation in a litany of dedication.

The building, which was completed in November, has 10 classrooms, a well-equipped kitchen and facilities for fellowship meetings.

All who care to do so are invited by the church to bring lunch and remain for a fellowship hour at the close of the service.

The Rev. and Mrs. Poole will be house guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. A. McEachern.

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SERMON ON "PREPARING FOR CHRISTIAN MARRIAGES"

There will be a special service Sunday for young people at the Raeford Methodist church. The pastor believes the best way to observe Mother's Day is to observe it with the "Future" mothers. All Courting young women and men as well as all young married couples are cordially invited to attend this service. The Minister will speak from this subject: "Preparing for Christian Marriage."

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Memorial Day To Be Observed In Ceremony

Memorial day will be observed here next Tuesday, May 10, and a special program has been arranged at the High school auditorium for the occasion.

The program will be presented

at 10:00 o'clock and will feature

an address by John A. Oates,

prominent attorney and well known

historian of Fayetteville.

The public is invited to attend.

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Crowd Attends Musical Program At Upchurch High

On last Sunday afternoon at 4:30 o'clock the annual Upchurch School Music Festival was given

to a large and appreciative audience.

Quite a number of white

friends were present and enjoyed

the splendid musical program

the fullest.

The Upchurch choral club had

as their guests the

Laurinburg Institute Glee club

and a pianist from Fayetteville

State Teachers college