

Cecil Dew Killed In Laurinburg Last Wednesday; Buried Friday

Local Civic, Church and Business Leader Dies Soon After Auto Accident

News that Cecil Dew had been killed in Laurinburg Wednesday night was received with a feeling of personal tragedy by all who knew him last Thursday morning.

Mr. Dew had been to Gibson and was returning to Raeford alone at about nine o'clock. As he entered the main street of Laurinburg (Highway 15) at what is known as the X-way intersection his car was struck by a Pontiac driven by Corporal Utah Caldwell of Fort Bragg. Mr. Dew's car was hit in the door on the driver's side, turned over, and smashed against a light pole, coming to rest with its wheels up. He was removed from it and died in an ambulance on the way to the hospital.

Marcus Cecil Dew was born in Raeford on June 27, 1902, a son of Mrs. M. W. Dew and the late Marcus Wellington Dew, who passed away in March of last year. He attended Raeford High school until his last year and was graduated from high school in Asheboro. He attended Davidson college and graduated in 1922, after which he held a position with the National Bank of Charlotte for several years.

He was associated for a time with the late Paul Dickson as associate editor of this newspaper and after the death of the editor in 1935 Mr. Dew gave generously of his time and effort to keep the paper going and in training Mrs. Dickson to run it.

He became associated with Johnson and McNeill (later The Johnson Co.) about 1932, and was active manager of the company from 1939 until his death. The late J. S. Johnson became ill in 1939 and died in 1940.

In his church, the Raeford Presbyterian church, Mr. Dew was a ruling elder and clerk of the Session, as well as a past moderator of Fayetteville Presbyterian. He was a Mason and Past Master of the Raeford lodge, a Shriner, a Kiwanian and past president of the Raeford Kiwanis club, a director and treasurer of the Raeford Chamber of Commerce.

Of him the Rev. Harry K. Holland, former pastor of the Raeford Presbyterian church, has written: "Cecil was a good man. As a matter of fact, I believe he was the best man I have ever known. No one who knew him ever questioned the sincerity of his Christian character or the purity of his motive. His life was an open book and it revealed nothing ugly or sordid, or even tainted. His was a positive goodness. He had the knack of being good without smugness. He knew how to be true and faithful without assuming an overbearing attitude. He was tolerant of the faults of others, yet for himself he insisted upon no compromise with his ideals and standards."

Funeral service was conducted at the home at five o'clock Friday afternoon by his pastor, the Rev. W. B. Heyward and the Rev. W. A. Wilkerson of Rutherfordton, Presbyterian minister and friend of the family. Pallbearers were N. A. McDonald, D. H. Hodgins, D. H. Yarborough, C. L. Thomas, Henry Maxwell, Dr. M. R. Smith, H. A. Greene and A. K. Stevens, Jr. Elders and deacons of the Raeford Presbyterian church were honorary pallbearers. Burial was in the Raeford cemetery.

Surviving are his mother, of the home; one brother, James Marion Dew of Charlotte; two sisters, Mrs. J. J. Renn of Rutherfordton and Miss Kathleen Dew of Charlotte.



M. C. DEW

Prayer Offered By Kiwanians In Memory Of Cecil Dew

At the regular meeting of the Raeford Kiwanis club last Thursday night after the meeting was opened by the singing of America, President Robert Gatlin asked all Kiwanians to remain standing for a minute of silence in memory of Cecil Dew, who had been killed the night before, at the conclusion of which he asked the Rev. Judson Lennon, of the Raeford Baptist church, to say a prayer.

Cecil Dew joined the Raeford Kiwanis club in January, 1937. He was treasurer in 1940 and was president of the club in 1943. At the time of his death he was in his seventh year of perfect attendance at the club's meetings.

Mr. Lennon's prayer follows: "Sunset and evening star, And one clear call for me! And may there be no moaning of the bar

When I put out to sea." Our Heavenly Father, thou hast come and called for Thy servant, Cecil. We rejoice in his promotion but at the same time our hearts are saddened because of his absence from us.

We pray thy divine blessings upon his loved ones. May Thine eternal love be their comfort and stay and may they find Thine everlasting arms bearing them up and giving them strength for this trial. We thank Thee that Thou art our Refuge and Strength—a very present help in time of trouble.

We thank Thee that we were permitted to know Cecil, one so devoted to Thee, so devoted to his church, so devoted to the Christian way of life, so devoted to the welfare of mankind and so devoted to that station in life to which it did please Thee to call him.

May the memory of his gracious life continue to be a blessing and benediction in our lives and in the lives of all who knew him. Our Father we know that the world is a better place in it to live because Cecil lives. We also know that heavenly joys at the homecoming of one to bless heaven even as he has blessed the earth. May the influence of his life help us to so live that when our summons comes to join

"The innumerable caravan, which moves to that mysterious realm, where each shall take His chamber in the silent halls of death, May we go not, like the quarry slave at night, Scourged to his dungeon, but sustained and soothed by an unfaltering trust, approach our grave, Like one who wraps the drapery of his couch about him, and lies down to pleasant dreams."

And now, O Lord, when the sense of sorrow and loneliness weighs heavily upon us, and the shadows deepen, and faith falters, and hope grows dim, draw us closer unto Thee, O God; en-

American Legion Post Will Sponsor Fair Sept 19-24

Commander Julius Jordan of the Elvis Williamson American Legion Post here, has announced that the post will sponsor a fair here at the ball park during the week of September 19 through 24. Committee making the arrangements consists of Jordan, Mayor W. L. Poole, and W. Moore, of the Twin State shows.

Entertainment during the week will be provided by the Twin State shows and will include shows, rides, concessions and free acts in front of the grandstand daily.

Contests will be promoted also. On Monday there is to be a fiddler's contest. Tuesday is to be children's day. Wednesday will be Farmer's day with contests and competitions especially for and by farmers, and there will also be a baby contest on Wednesday. Thursday will be Mayor's day and on Friday the beauty contest will be held. A public wedding is to be arranged for Saturday.

Mr. Moore is here helping with the arrangements and can be contacted at the armory by those wishing to enter farm products, merchants wishing to display equipment and others wishing to get information about the fair. A premium list is being prepared and will be made public later.

Officials of the Legion post state that if the fair is a success they will attempt to make it an annual affair.

Storm Passes Here Sunday; Rain Tuesday

High winds accompanied by rain vented themselves on most of North Carolina Sunday in what was supposed to be the playing out of the most severe hurricane the state of Florida has had in some years. Damage was done but not to a great extent in this section, although two houses are reported to have been considerably damaged near Laurel Hill.

On Tuesday afternoon there was rain several parts of the county with the heaviest being in the neighborhood of Bowmore and just north of there where, according to accounts of those that saw it, several inches of rain must have fallen.

GAMBLERS INVITED

The Rev. P. O. Lee, Methodist minister has announced that the subject of his sermon for next Sunday morning is to be "Believe in Gambling." He says "Whether we gamble or not is not optional. We all have to gamble. It is optional with us as to the horse we pick—the thing we select to risk our all up on. What are you betting on, right or wrong? All gamblers are cordially invited to hear this message on gambling."

MAKE VETERANS SURVEY

Miss Marion Maxwell, local veterans service officer, stated this week that the veterans commission is now making a survey of the status of all veterans and that forms are being distributed to all veterans. She asks that veterans fill out these forms, which amount to a history of each veteran's connection with the services, and turn them in to her at the courthouse.

SANDCLAY PLAY-OFFS HERE FRIDAY NIGHT

At a meeting in Aberdeen last night final arrangements for the playoff games for the championship of the Sandclay baseball league were made. First game is here in Armory park tomorrow night between Raeford and Aberdeen. Game time: 8:00 P. M.

Officers Make It Hard On County's Liquor Producers

Five Tried By Recorder For Having Still; Two For Having and Selling

Officers of the Hoke county sheriff's department had a spell of making it hard to handle "black" liquor around Hoke county in the past week. They captured four stills and five defendants were convicted, as well as two for having and selling illegal liquor.

Daniel Goins, Indian, pleaded guilty of having a still and got six months sentence suspended on payment of \$50 and the costs. His partner, Quilla McRae, colored, pleaded not guilty and was found guilty. His six months sentence was suspended on payment of \$50 and the costs. Rubeth Locklear, Indian, got 90 days suspended on payment of \$25 and the costs for having a still, as did Alfred Chavis, also an Indian. For having and selling liquor David Cherry and Willie Smith, both colored, each got 60 days suspended on payment of \$25 and the costs.

Other liquor violators included Tom Baxley, white, drunk and disorderly and violating the prohibition laws, \$10 and the costs; Charlotte Blue, colored, having home brew, 30 days suspended on payment of the costs; William F. Shepherd, white of the army, driving drunk, 60 days suspended on payment of \$100 and the costs.

Richard, Ralph, Maggie Lee and Van Evans, all colored, each paid the costs for participating in an affray, instead of assaulting D. A. Graham as they were charged.

John Henry Johnson, colored, was charged with shooting Fred Campbell. He was bound over to superior court under a \$300 bond. James Springfield, white, got 30 days suspended on payment of the costs for trespassing.

James McPhatter, colored, got 60 days suspended on payment of \$25 and the costs for stealing \$35 from Leslie's store. He returned the \$35.

Sam Clark and Amos Locklear, Indians, got 90 days each to be suspended on payment of \$10 and the costs for stealing some beans. Clark also got six months for assaulting his wife, sentence suspended on payment of \$25 and the costs and two years of good behavior.

Hubert McFadyen, colored, paid the costs for assaulting Willie Anderson Purcell. Purcell was found guilty of assaulting McFadyen's father and got 90 days to be suspended on payment of the costs and two years of good behavior. The state took a nol pro in the case against Richard Dock Ivey for having no brakes.

Paul McNeill, colored, was found not guilty on charges of having no driver's license or tags.

For improper brakes or license plates Revel Henderson, Indian, Jesse James Jones and J. C. Godwin, colored, each got 30 suspended on payment of \$10 and the costs.

Roosevelt Johnson, colored of the army, got 90 days suspended on payment of \$35 and the costs for having no driver's license and no brakes. C. V. Hedrick, white of the army, paid \$25 and the costs for no driver's license. George Hedrick, white, paid \$10 and the costs for speeding.

344 X-RAYS SO FAR

In the first three days of operation in Hoke County the mobile X-ray unit sponsored by the county health department and tuberculosis association took 344 chest x-rays. The unit x-rayed 90 at Brown's store Friday, 130 at Calloway's Saturday and 124 at Ashley Heights Tuesday.

Local Kiwanians Attend Convention In Chapel Hill

Robert Gatlin, president of the Raeford Kiwanis club, and Younger Snead, president-elect, accompanied by Mrs. Snead, attended the Carolinas Kiwanis convention in Chapel Hill Sunday, Monday and Tuesday of this week. They report a highly enjoyable and educational trip.

The meeting was opened Sunday night by Dr. Frank Hickman of Duke University and on Monday morning the Kiwanians were welcomed to Chapel Hill by Chancellor Robert B. House of the University of North Carolina. At luncheon on Monday the group was addressed by John Wright, Kiwanis International trustee of Lakeland, Fla. His subject was "Aggressive Citizenship—Our Responsibility."

On Monday afternoon the delegates enjoyed a show in the Morehead Planetarium entitled "The Sun, Our Star." The banquet which was the highlight of the convention was at eight o'clock Monday evening. Speaker there was Wayne Guthrie, editor of the Indianapolis "News" who spoke on "Ringside at Bikini," an expository of the tremendous portent of atomic energy and the resulting necessity for patriotism and religion. Following the address the group was entertained by Controller W. D. Carmichael and football players Bob Cox and Charlie Justice, and a musical group from the University.

The convention was closed Tuesday morning with an address by Dr. Charles Armstrong of Salisbury, past president of Kiwanis International.

Guard Unit Goes To Southern Pines Mon.

Three officers and about 50 enlisted men of Battery A, 130th AAA Battalion, local unit of the North Carolina National Guard, went to Southern Pines Monday afternoon and carried four of their 40 millimeter anti-aircraft guns and two of the multiple 50 caliber machine gun mounts.

The men were served a buffet supper by the ladies of the VFW auxiliary in Southern Pines and afterward the men displayed their equipment during a program participated in by the Mayor of Southern Pines and others. The trip was for the purpose of showing people there the weapons and equipment of the local battery, as a similar battery of the 130th battalion is in the process of being organized there.

MURDOCH M'DUFFIE OUT

Murdoch McDuffie, who has been a patient at the Veterans hospital since February, came home Monday, and was down town yesterday. He says he's feeling better than he has in years.

SQUARE DANCE FRIDAY

The fall series of square dances at the armory on Friday nights will begin tomorrow night. The dances will be sponsored by Battery A. Local National Guard unit, and music will be furnished by Elmo Stanton's string band.

SCOTLAND CELEBRATION

Laurinburg—Citizens of this county are going all out to make its 50th Jubilee Celebration the biggest thing in Scotland County's 50-year history. The pageant will run for five performances on a 300 foot stage in Laurinburg's American Legion Park, starting Monday September 5th. It will depict life in Scotland county at the turn of the century.

The event is sponsored jointly by the Laurinburg Merchants Association and Chamber of Commerce.

COBLE ANNOUNCES ROADS TO BE PAVED IN COUNTY 70.8 MI.

County Schools Start New Term Next Thursday

Schedule Teachers, Bus Drivers Meetings During Week; Principals Tuesday

The white schools of Hoke County will open for the 1949-50 term on Thursday, September 8 at 9:00 A. M. A full faculty at all schools will be in attendance.

Previous to the opening of schools there will be a county-wide principals meeting at 3:00 P. M. on Tuesday, September 6. That evening at 8:00 o'clock there will be a county-wide teachers meeting. On Wednesday, September 7, at 9:00 A. M. there will be a county-wide bus drivers meeting after which the bus drivers will get their buses. At 10:00 o'clock that morning there will be held a faculty meeting at Raeford Graded school and a high school faculty meeting at 2:00 P. M. the same day. Time for faculty meetings at Ashmont, Mildouson and Rockfish will be announced at the teachers meeting Tuesday evening.

The faculties of the various schools are as follows: Ashmont: R. A. Smoak, principal, Mrs. R. A. Smoak, Miss Mildred Womble and Miss Nannie Thornburg; Hoke High: W. T. Gibson, District Principal, W. P. Phillips, Miss Erma Williams, Mrs. Margaret McGoogan, Mrs. J. C. McLean, Mrs. A. D. Gore, Mrs. Tom Cameron, Miss Doris Bradley, H. A. Faircloth, Miss Miriam Watson, Mrs. M. L. McKeithan, Miss Mayme McKeithan. New teachers and home addresses - Mrs. Belton Wright, Raeford, William D. Kibler, Newberry, S. C. Miss Hilda Priest, Elizabethtown, N. C. T. B. Wrenn, Henderson, N. C. Mildouson: W. S. Bray, principal, Dobson, N. C., Miss Hortense McGregor, Mrs. Irene Throver. Raeford Graded: J. W. Turlington, building principal, Miss Ollie Biggs, Mrs. James Stephens, Mrs. Rurita Shelton, Mrs. W. W. Roberts, Miss Mildred Hamilton, Mrs. E. H. Robinson, Mrs. Dwight Brown, Mrs. Bertha C. Hardesty, Mrs. Carl Freeman, Mrs. A. H. McPhaul. New teachers and their home addresses - Miss Martha Sue Black, Matthews, N. C. Miss Betty Little, Union, S. C. Mrs. Nat White, Raeford, Mrs. L. W. Turner, Raeford. Rockfish: T. C. Jones, principal, Mrs. B. B. Cole, Miss Jeanne Shiel and Mrs. George Monroe. Lunchrooms will be operated by Mrs. Lucy Smith, Hoke High, Mrs. M. L. Wood, Rockfish, Mrs. Aganora Andrews, Raeford Graded. We do not have information regarding Ashmont and Mildouson.

Bus drivers by communities are as follows: Ashmont - Archie Walters, David Jones, Tiffany Cothran, Everet Bowen; Antioch: Billy Everleigh, R. H. Gibson, Jr.; Mildouson: Archie Maxwell, Clifford Dean; Raeford: Edward McGirt, Davis Currie, Doug Clark; Rockfish: Roy Brock, Donald Wood and Marion Wood.

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SOLDIER UNDER BOND IN DEATH OF CECIL DEW

Cpl. Utah Caldwell of Fort Bragg was placed under a bond of \$2,000 awaiting action of the Scotland county grand jury by a coroner's jury at an inquest into the death of Cecil Dew held in Laurinburg last Thursday.

There was evidence that Cpl. Caldwell was possibly going 60 miles an hour at the time of the accident, and also that there was liquor in the car.

Preliminary Work Begins; Some Roads Expected To Be Finished By Winter

ASHEBORO, Aug. 31.—Highway Commissioner George S. Coble today announced selection of 1,476.8 miles of secondary roads to be hard-surfaced under the \$200,000,000 bond issue program in the nine counties in his Sixth division.

Coble's announcement marked the official opening of a state-wide accelerated road - building program sanctioned by the June 4 bond election.

The Sixth division commissioner's release, issued from the division headquarters here, included a sizeable hard-surfacing schedule for each county.

Harnett county will get 205.5 miles; Lee county, 80.6; Davidson county, 180.2; Scotland county, 82.6; Hoke county, 70.8; Robeson county, 278.1; Moore county, 201.3; Chatham county 153.5; and Randolph county, 224.2 miles.

Coble said selection of the hard-surfacing projects had been made following visits to each of the counties in the division, public meetings in each county, extensive on-the-scene surveying of the roads and long conferences with each board of county commissioners.

A special yardstick for selecting roads was set up, he said, based on factors which he and his engineers considered would guarantee attention to the "highest priority" roads first.

Factors considered under the yardstick system were school bus routes, traffic counts, recommendations from county commissioners, petitions from delegations, number of persons living along the road, feeder roads and relation of the road to the highway system.

The roads selected have been reviewed by each group of county commissioners and they have approved the system used.

The Sixth Division commissioner said preliminary work has already begun in all nine counties on the building program. Many of the roads will be completed before the winter weather. He set no definite time limit on completing the first phase of the construction program. "We will move along as quickly as we can," he said. "As soon as this part of the program is well along, we will announce the second group of roads to be improved. The stabilization program will be carried on along with the hard-surfacing jobs."

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The commissioner also said he and his engineering staff will visit the governing bodies in each municipality in his division during the next few months to discuss the highway program inside these communities. Some visits have already been made.

Roads to be hard-surfaced in Hoke county are as follows: From 211 via Arabia to Robeson county line, 8.2 miles; from

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