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YOUR SCHOOL NEWS

By K. A. MacDonald

The white schools of the county opened this morning at 9:00 o'clock. All schools opened with a full corps of teachers. Hoke County is very fortunate in this respect. Quite a number of other units are still looking desperately for teachers with which to fill their vacancies.

Tuesday afternoon a county-wide principal's meeting was held. At this meeting a schedule was made for the first 12 days. Schools were to open this morning at 9:00 o'clock. Those in Raeford were to close at 11:30 and those in the country at 12:00 noon. Friday the same schedule will prevail. Beginning Monday and running for two weeks the schools in the county will open at 7:30 a. m. and in Raeford at 8:00 o'clock. Those in Raeford will close at 11:30 and those in the county at 12:00 noon. This will put all pupils at home (we hope) by 1:00 p. m. We hope that the parents will use them to the best advantage as it is hoped that it will not be necessary to operate on a short schedule any longer than these 12 days. Parents are requested to make every effort to have their children attend school regularly. Irregular attendance is a tremendous handicap to a pupil in his work. If parents have not had beginners immunized against smallpox and diphtheria they are requested to take them to the health department immediately as the law requires that all school children have these immunizations. The law also states that no child shall be registered in school who was not 6 years of age on or before October 1, 1949. Teachers, principals and superintendent have to certify on oath that they have not registered pupils under this age. Parents are requested to cooperate.

Tuesday night at 8 o'clock there was a county-wide teacher's meeting held at the Hoke High school. The Rev. B. P. Robinson conducted the devotional exercises. Mr. Robinson's remarks were very helpful to all of us starting on a new year's work for the children of the county. After the devotional the meeting was turned over to J. W. Turlington, president of the Hoke County Unit of the N. C. E. A. Mr. Turlington stated that the first item of business was the election of a new secretary-treasurer as Mrs. Roberts, who was elected last spring had resigned and was no longer a member. Mrs. A. D. Gore was elected to fill the vacancy. After the election membership dues were collected for the local, state and national association. Before Mr. Turlington relinquished the chair he served coca-colas to the assembled teachers. After this courtesy he turned the meeting over to the county superintendent who took up routine matters pertaining to the opening of schools and the new year's work.

Wednesday morning there was a county-wide bus drivers meeting attended by all drivers and their substitutes. Principal W. T. Gibson and Supt. MacDonald discussed their duties with them and emphasized safety for the pupils and care of the buses. Also Mr. Gibson assigned the drivers their buses for the year. All the new buses have not arrived but it is hoped that they will be here within two weeks. In the meantime the old buses are in good and safe mechanical condition. Bus routes were surveyed by E. C. Crawley, bus route engineer for the State Board of Education, during August. Several changes have been requested by patrons. These changes have been measured by the superintendent and request for change made to Raleigh. Parents who have made the requests

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Fair Begins To Show Promise, Officials Say

The American Fair committee consisting of Mayor W. L. Poole and Legion Commander Julius Jordan, reported this week that plans for the exhibition to be held at the ball park September 19-24 are getting into good shape.

William Moore, advance agent and promoter, has offices in the Armory and may be contacted there for arrangements in connection with the fair.

The committee reports that the County Farm Agent, H. E. Vernon, and his office are cooperating with the venture and that Mr. Vernon has agreed to be livestock judge at the fair. Miss Josephine Hall, county Home Demonstration agent, is handling all the exhibits and contest entries dealing with handiwork, cookery, sewing, etc.

Moore said this week that the beauty contest was not full yet and that he was still looking for girls to enter. He said entries could be single or married. He also reported that the merchants were cooperating with his effort to get up the premium list and in taking advertisements in the premium book.

The amusement for the Fair will be furnished by the Twin State shows, who will offer rides, shows and concessions. Gates will be open to white and colored on all days. Saturday, September 24, will be "Colored Day" and several contests and games will be open to colored people only on that day.

Moore stated that several booths for machinery and equipment displays by merchants were still open, as well as eating and drinking concessions.

American Legion To Hold Important Meeting Wednesday

Dr. Julius Jordan, commander of the Ellis Williamson American Legion post, announced this week that the regular monthly meeting of the post would be held in the cafeteria at the high school next Wednesday night at seven o'clock. Supper will be served.

Dr. Jordan was particularly urgent in his plea for all legionnaires to attend this meeting, giving as his reason the fact that several important items in connection with the fair to be sponsored at the ball park September 19-24 must be discussed and taken care of.

LIBRARY NEWS

Closing the summer reading club, "Fill a Shelf For Yourself", sponsored by Hoke County Library, a party was given for the members at the library Tuesday afternoon, August 30, at 4 o'clock. The boys and girls were asked to come dressed like some character chosen from a book read during the summer. The judges were Mrs. J. M. Andrews, Mrs. Hinton McPhaul and Mrs. Nat White. Harriet Hodgkin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Willie Hodgkin, received the prize for the girls, and Earl Robinson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bishop Robinson, for the boys. Second high were Lillian Scarborough, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Colon Scarborough, and Bessie Robinson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robinson.

Margaret McLeod, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Douglas McLeod, read the largest number of books, 50, and Harriet Smith, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Marcus Smith, read the next highest, 32. Certificates were given to those who had read as many as 12 books. These were Billy Guin, Harriet Hodgkin, Margaret Maxwell, Virginia McFadyen, Sara Lynn McGirt, Hazel McLean, Joan McLeod, Margaret McLeod, Julia Morris, Harriet Smith, Lillian Scarborough, Edna Ray Tyler, and Lewis Upchurch, Jr.

Apology

Business at The News-Journal was a little better than usual last week, and the staff was a little shorter than usual due to vacations. This combination resulted in some errors in last week's paper which were considerably worse than usual.

Collins Department Store had two ads, one for gabardine suits and the other for "Buffalo Plaid" back-to-school dresses. The suits were on sale for \$24.95 and the dresses for \$5.95, and we got them crossed-up, causing the store the embarrassment of not having a gabardine suit for \$5.95 as advertised. For the cross-up and resulting embarrassment we apologize to Collins Department Store.

The Johnson Company sent us an ad for cover crops - clover, vetch, alfalfa, winter peas, etc. We ran the ad, all right, but we signed it Johnson Cotton Company, by mistake, so that no one was advised that The Johnson Company had these items for sale. We regret this very much, and the ad appears on page 10 of this issue with the correct signature.

Pine Cones Can Now Be Sold

The North Carolina State Forest Nursery at Clayton will need an additional 2400 bushels of loblolly pine seed cones to meet its planting requirements for the 1950 planting season. The Division of Forestry of the Department of Conservation and Development will pay from 75c to \$1.50 per bushel for mature, seed bearing cones delivered at a central collecting station. Anyone interested in collecting these cones or knowing of a good crop of cones may contact C. F. McBryde, county Forest Warden, route 1, Raeford, or this district Forest office Sandrock Building, Fayetteville.

According to a report received by District Forester L. E. Hicks, the increasing public demand for planting stock and the indicated light seed crop this year makes it necessary for the nursery to supplement its normal supply of seed for the 1950 planting season.

NEW SUPERVISOR

Following provision made by the state legislature last spring the State Board of Education made an allotment of 300 additional teachers to be used by the various school units in a supervisory capacity. Hoke County was allotted one for work with the White and Indian elementary schools and one to work with the colored elementary schools.

Mrs. Cecile D. Osment of Durham has been secured for the work in the White and Indian schools. Mrs. Osment is an A. B. graduate of Bessie Tift college and holds a masters degree in elementary education from Peabody Teachers college. She has done additional work at Carolina, Duke and Harvard Universities. She comes here directly from Duke where she has been taking work and assisting Dr. Proctor with some of his courses.

NATIONAL GUARD FEED TOMORROW

Battery A, 130th AAA Battalion, local National Guard outfit will have its annual supper for the members and their wives or girl friends tomorrow night at Clyde's pond. As usual at the battery's feeds, there will be no speeches, just food. Following the supper the crowd will attend the square dance which the battery sponsors at the armory each Friday night.

DEAN OF MUSIC



Robert Smith, native born Scot, who arrived Wednesday to assume his new duties as Dean of the Conservatory of Music at Flora Macdonald College. Mr. Smith received his entire musical education in Scotland and England, and is a Licentiate of the Royal Academy of Music in London. He has been a member of the faculty of the Transylvania Music Camp at Brevard during the summer.

Flora Macdonald Opens 45th Session On September 15

With the faculty complete, and the buildings and grounds in excellent condition, showing many improvements added since commencement, Flora Macdonald College is ready to open its 45th session on Thursday, September 15.

Since its organization in 1896, the college has gone steadily forward in every respect, and has earned its right to its "reason to be", which was the establishment of a school for the higher education of young women in this section, where the intelligent minds of school age girls were demanding an opportunity for more education, and where the facilities were so few.

While during these 53 years, transportation conditions have gone forward to an almost unbelievable extent, making it far easier for students in and adjacent to Red Springs, to attend college in distant places, this transportation improvement, in the form of excellent hard surface roads and good care, have also made it possible for girls in nearby towns to commute as day students, and this opportunity is being taken more and more, particularly since special classes are offered in various departments.

Students may come to the college for special courses in every department of music, including courses in Church and School music - and with the very versatile new Scottish Dean of Music, these courses promise a wider range and greater interest than ever before; pre-med and pre-nursing courses; classes in sewing and designing; special courses in Speech and Drama, etc. A comfortable, attractive room on the first floor is kept for the use of day student exclusively.

Members of the Student Cabinet and Student Council will arrive on Friday preceding the opening of college, and the week end will be devoted to planning the work of both organizations interspersed with many social activities. New students will arrive on Monday, the 12th, for their orientation period, when then the upper classmen will play host to them, and returning students will come in on Tuesday. Wednesday will be registration day, and the formal opening and the beginning of classes will be on Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Carson Lytle and daughter of Indianhead, Md. spent Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Lytle.

Ingatherings

The annual harvest ingatherings will be held by churches in the county at various times during the fall. Meals will be served, with the main dishes in most cases being chicken salad and barbecue. There will be sales of food, handiwork, produce, cakes and the like at all of them. For the benefit of these churches and the people who wish to attend the ingatherings we will carry a schedule of those we are told about in this space until they are held.

Sandy Grove Methodist church - Thursday, September 29, meal at noon, sale following.

Parker's Methodist church - Friday, October 7, meal at six p. m., sale following.

Galatia Presbyterian church - Thursday, October 20, meal at six p. m., sale following.

Raeford Methodist church - Thursday, October 27, at Raeford Armory, meals at noon and night, sale following supper.

8th District YDC To Meet In Southern Pines Saturday

Eighth Congressional district, YDC, will hold its annual reunion and rally Saturday at 7 p. m. at the Southern Pines Country club, in the form of a chicken buffet supper.

H. Clifton Blue, of Aberdeen, state YDC president and secretary of the N. C. Democratic Executive committee, will be the keynote speaker, said J. Hubert McCaskill, of Pinehurst, district chairman. Others expected to take part on the program include Basil Whitener of Gastonia, Mecklenburg District solicitor, and Hoover Taft, Jr. of Greenville, both past state presidents; Jeff Wilson, state highway safety director, past Eighth District chairman; Bedford Black, Kannapolis, state organizer, and other state YDC officers.

Also present will be John A. Lang, Jr., of Carthage and Washington, secretary to Rep. C. B. Deane, from whom he will bring greetings; Col. C. R. Tolar of the state highway patrol, and others of state and district interest.

Delegations are expected from all clubs of the district and reports will be made by their presidents, as follows: Anson county, H. P. Taylor, Jr., Wadesboro; Davidson, Ross Carver, Lexington; Davie, Gordon Tomlinson, Mocksville; Hoke, T. B. Lester, Raeford; Lee, Ralph Monger, Jr., Sanford; Montgomery, Ernest Wilson, Jr., Troy; Moore, W. Lamont Brown, Pinebluff; Rich-

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I. E. McANULTY ILL

I. E. McAnulty, 79-year-old citizen of Quewhille township, was taken to Moore County hospital Tuesday, where his condition is reported to be critical.

BELTON WRIGHT ILL

Belton Wright, of the Hardware department of McLauchlin Co., became ill with something akin to both arthritis and paralysis on Sunday and was taken to a Fayetteville hospital Monday, where his condition is still reported as serious.

SQUARE DANCE LADIES NIGHT

Tomorrow night will be Ladies night at the weekly square dance at the armory, which the local National Guard unit sponsors. Plenty of men will be present, as the men of the battery are expected to attend the dance after their supper, and all ladies will be admitted free to the dance.

Raeford Advances To Finals By Defeating Aberdeen

The Raeford Rebels mauled three Aberdeen pitchers for 20 hits and 14 runs to hand the Aberdeen outfit a 14-6 defeat in Southern Pines Monday afternoon. The win was Raeford's second over the Aberdeen's in the semi-final play-offs of the Sand Clay league, with the losers dropping out of further play.

Make McKeithan and Bill Upchurch, with four hits apiece paced the Raeford attack. Every player in the line-up got at least one hit, Raeford's two biggest blows being the double with the bases loaded by McLeod and a triple with the sacks loaded by J. D. Currie.

Raeford defeated Aberdeen here Friday night in the first game of the semi-finals playoff series 11-3.

J. D. Currie, Rebel pitcher, put on a one-man show as he pitched a neat four-hitter and tripled with the bases loaded in the eighth inning. Bill Upchurch, with three for five, and Rex Currie, with two for three, led the 12-hit attack. Wicker led Aberdeen at bat with two hits.

FINALS START SATURDAY

Raeford plays High Falls in the league finals, High Falls having defeated Biscoe two of three games in the playoff semi-final. First game of the finals will be played here in Armory park at three-thirty Saturday afternoon.

4-H Club Members To Broadcast From Raleigh Saturday

Five 4-H Club members from the Hoke High School 4-H Club will present a fifteen minute broadcast over Radio Station WPTF on Saturday, September 10th at 12:15 p. m. Those taking part on the program are Mary McLean, Freida Moss, Ellen Kate Koonce, Harold Monroe and Earl Hendrix.

The program is in the form of a short playlet entitled "A Call to Achievement." Harold Monroe will take the part of the Farm Agent and Mary McLean will be the Home Agent. Freida Moss and Earl Hendrix will play the part of a 4-H Club girl and a 4-H Club boy. Ellen Kate Koonce takes the part of Mrs. Parker, whom the group is trying to persuade to become a 4-H Neighborhood Leader. The scene of the playlet is Mrs. Parker's living room in her home.

Deane In Group Making Tour Of Far East Countries

Congressman Charles B. Deane of the Eighth Congressional District is one of six members of Congress composing a committee appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, Sam Rayburn, to investigate occupational forces and expenditures of United States Government Funds on Rehabilitation and war damage in the Far East. This Committee is scheduled to leave Tuesday, August 30th, to see how wisely the dollars of American taxpayers are being spent in Alaska, Japan, Korea, the Philippines and the U. S. Mandated Islands.

Other Democratic members of the Committee are Walter B. Hunter of Ohio, and M. G. Burnside of West Virginia. The Republican members are R. Walter Richman of New York, Harold Louvre of South Dakota and Alvin E. O'Konski of Wisconsin.

The purpose of the trip is to scrutinize U. S. spending in Asia, study veterans problems in the Philippines, and determine how Uncle Sam's money can be saved or utilized to better advantage.

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Recorder Makes Tenant Return To Gather Crop

Man Who Hit Another With Gun Not Guilty Of Wilfully Breaking It

Fletcher Clark, Indian, was charged with violating the landlord and tenant act in recorder's court before Judge Henry McDiarmid Tuesday morning. Clark pled guilty of leaving his crop after having contracted to gather it. The judge ordered him to move back to the farm, gather the crop, and pay the court costs. For aiding and abetting Clark by letting him have his wagon to move with and a house to move to Archie Locklear, Indian, had to pay the costs.

The State did not prosecute Tom Smith, colored, charged with being drunk and disorderly and using profane and indecent language.

Joe McEachern, colored, was found guilty of assault and using profane and indecent language and got 60 days to be suspended on payment of \$10 and the costs. He also had to pay the costs for violating the prohibition laws.

John Armstrong, colored, was charged with assault and carrying a concealed weapon but the State did not prosecute because of insufficient evidence.

Alexander Blue, Nick Easterling, James Graham, all colored, and Vernon Cryster, white, each paid \$10 and the costs for improper equipment on their cars. Robert Posey, and B. P. Crittenden, Jr., colored, each paid \$10 and the costs for speeding.

Warren H. L. white found not guilty of careless and reckless driving.

Joe McArthur, colored, paid \$10 and the costs for being drunk and disorderly and having non-tax paid liquor. Lum Henry Thomas, Jr., paid the costs for being drunk and disorderly.

Will Andrew Purcell, colored man who was convicted of assault last week, was charged with willful destruction of personal property. The property involved was the gun he broke over somebody's head in the other case. The judge ruled that he was not guilty in that he did not intend for the gun to break when he hit the other person with it.

Willie Scott, colored of the Army, got 30 days to be suspended on payment of \$25 and the costs for having no driver's license.

FARMING

By H. E. Vernon, County Agent

Pastures

With quotas facing us next year on practically all our cash crops and an expected sharp cut in cotton acreage, every farmer with land suitable for growing permanent pasture should consider this as one use for those idle acres as well as supplying the cheapest source of feed for workstock, cows and hogs. The total cost per acre for 1 ton of lime, 1000 pounds of 2-12-12 fertilizer, 3 pounds of Ladino Clover, and 12 pounds of Fescue runs about \$40.00. With the AAA office issuing purchase orders to pay for about 50 per cent of this amount, planting a permanent pasture this fall will be really an economical practice. Assistance will also be given for construction of fences for these pastures. It is time to prepare and plant these pastures now - next spring is too late. Don't neglect proper preparation of the land and the above rates for seeding even if you don't get them seeded until October 15.

One other hint that may be (Continued on page 4)