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## YOUR SCHOOL NEWS

By K. A. MacDonald

Patrons of the school who have children riding on buses will be interested to know that on Monday and Tuesday before the tragic bus wreck in Nash County the superintendent made a check on the operation of the buses. The principals of Hoke and Upchurch, the head mechanic, and the highway patrolman were all contacted and questioned in regard to the operation of the buses. They all reported that the buses were operating in a most satisfactory manner and that they had had no complaints whatsoever. Since the Nash County affair we have had several suggestions for improvement in the operation and these have been acted upon.

Anytime a patron has suggestions for the improvement of the bus operation the school authorities will welcome them. Should an infringement of good safe driving practice occur these same authorities will welcome and appreciate information regarding it.

Next Tuesday at 3:30 p. m. part of the staff of the Division of Instructional Service will be in the Board of Education office for a conference with the principals of the white schools. A conference with the Negro principals will be held at a later date. Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock these same staff members will have a part on the program of a county wide teachers meeting held at Hoke High.

An order has been sent to the N. C. Department of Agriculture for the following surplus commodities that we have been notified are available: fresh apples, canned tomatoes, tomato paste and creamery butter. These commodities should begin arriving the last of this week or the first of November.

The Southeastern School Assembly Association, an organization that brings several educational and recreational entertainments to the schools during the year, sent an acrobatic exhibit to several of the schools in the county on Monday. Reports are that the exhibition was very good and was enjoyed by all the pupils who saw it.

The Hoke Beta Club held its initiation exercises yesterday. Quite a number were taken into the club. High scholastic standing is one of the requirements for a girl to the club.

## COLORED NEWS

Last Friday the colored principals of the county attended a meeting held on the campus of State Teachers college, Fayetteville. This meeting was called by Dr. N. C. Newbold of the State Department of Public Instruction.

The Jean's Supervisor attended a meeting held in Kinston last week dealing with the Christmas Seal Sale program. The meeting was under the auspices of the N. C. T. B. Association.

Last week Bowmore, Burlington, Laurel Hill, Lilly's Chapel, Rockfish and White Oak schools had entertainments of various kinds for the benefit of the schools. All were well attended.

Preparations are being made by the Hoke County Unit of the North Carolina Teachers Association for the entertainment of the Southeastern District meeting that will be held at the Upchurch school early in November. Principal A. S. Gaston attended a preliminary meeting held in Clinton last week.

A group meeting of teachers was held at Bowmore yesterday (Continued on page 4)

## Bucks Tie Apex In First Home Game Friday Night

Haywood Faircloth's Hoke County High school Bucks played the Apex High football team to a scoreless tie in Armory Park in their first game before local fans this season, and the second scoreless tie the Ducks have figured in, the other being with Hope Mills in the season opener at Hope Mills.

Several times Friday night the Bucks got deep into the territory of the visitors, but each time failed to have the scoring punch which would have won the ball game.

The entire Hoke team played well on defense with Robert McGirt, Bruce Phillips and Malcolm Glisson doing outstanding work. Fred Holland for the locals was a constant offensive threat to the opposition, getting away for long gains off tackle and around end several times.

Tomorrow the Bucks will journey to Elizabethtown where they will play at eight o'clock tomorrow night. Last year Elizabethtown took a close one from the locals, 7-6.

## Only Two-Thirds Of Vets Filed For Dividend

Veterans Administration reports that its central office in Washington has received applications for the National Service Life Insurance special dividend from approximately two-thirds of the veterans who are eligible for the payments. This means that something in the neighborhood of 5,000,000 veterans have yet to mail in their applications.

VA urges World War II veterans to give this matter their attention, as dividends will be paid only to those who make application. According to VA, the large volume of applications must be processed before they can write the checks and mail them, commencing in January, 1950.

The central office reports that some 50,000 applications have been received unsigned. Veterans are cautioned that to be valid the applications must bear veteran's signature.

Other mistakes that have been found in applications are as follows:

Some veterans have failed to write in their service serial numbers. This number is very important for identification. Some veterans have written their date of enlistment in the space where the service serial numbers should be written.

Some veterans have sent in simple application forms torn from a newspaper or magazine. The VA machines can use only the official VA forms.

Also, veterans are reminded they should write plainly the address where they can be found for the next six months, for the mailing of checks.

Dividend application forms are available from all post offices, veterans' service organizations and all VA offices.

The VA will commence mailing checks to eligible veterans in January, 1950. It estimates that at the rate of 200,000 checks per working day, it will require several months to complete the mailing.

Q: I know that \$150 is payable for burial expenses at a veteran's death. Is the same award made at the death of his widow?

A: There is no provision of law that would allow a burial award based on the death of a widow.

## PTA TO MEET MONDAY

The Hoke-Raeform Parent-teacher association will hold its first meeting of the school year at eight o'clock Monday night in the auditorium at the Raeform Graded school. Parents and friends are invited to attend. After the program open house will be held.

## Health Dept. Says 4,644 X-Rays Made In Survey

The X-Ray Survey in Hoke County ended last Thursday, October 6, 1949, with fairly satisfactory results obtained. The Health Department believes that had it been possible to hold the survey at a different time of year a better response would have been noted. The final count was 4,644. All reports that have been received from the State Board of Health have been mailed out and the remaining few will be sent out as soon as they are received.

The Technician will be in the Hoke County Health Department on Wednesday, October 12 and Saturday, October 15 of this week, also, Wednesday, October 19 and Saturday, October 22 of the next week for the purpose of making large pictures on those who have been notified by letter to return.

The State Board of Health, the Hoke County Health Department and the Tuberculosis Association wish to thank everyone cooperating with them in the survey.

## Aberdeen Blaze Razes Warehouse Early Tuesday

Aberdeen, Oct. 11—Fire early today destroyed Carter's tobacco warehouse here, causing damage of more than \$50,000.

Police were checking the possibility that the fire might have been set, although Lloyd Mills, the warehouse owner, said he did not believe the blaze was of incendiary origin.

Mills expressed the belief that a man seen fleeing from the warehouse shortly after the blaze was probably a transient sleeping in the building. One of Mills' Negro employees, Jack Teal of Greenville, was severely burned before awakened by the fire.

A search of the ruins was made after Mills reported that transients frequently slept in the warehouse. Four transients slept there night before last, he said. There were no indications of casualties.

Firemen kept the flames from setting off fire in a nearby oil storage plant where gasoline was in a 250,000 gallon tank. The wreckage around the oil storage tanks was burned.

Assistant Police Chief Bob Pugh said he was near the warehouse on a routine inspection of the town when the fire started about 3 a. m.

He first heard an explosion and then noticed a man fleeing from the rear of the building. Flames were shooting through the roof by the time he entered the structure, Pugh reported.

The officer said that police were trying to determine the identity of the man who fled the building to determine if arson was involved. Police have not ruled out a spontaneous combustion as a probable cause of the fire, he added.

Fire companies from Aberdeen, Southern Pines, Pinehurst and Pinebluff fought the flames and kept them from spreading to adjacent buildings. Several hundred spectators gathered until the fire died down about 5 a. m.

## Caldwell Talks To Rockfish Grange

State Grange Master Harry B. Caldwell was guest speaker at the meeting of Rockfish Grange which was held at Wayside on Monday night. Members of the grange were also pleased to have as guest former Master Fred P. Johnson of Raleigh.

At the meeting at Wayside plans were formulated to buy the old church there for a grange hall and for changing the name of the grange to Wayside Grange and to change the meeting time to the first and third Wednesday nights of each month.

## Fine Driver For Passing Loading School Bus

### Three Men Pay Costs For Assaulting Wives When Wives Don't Testify

Judge Henry McDiarmid fined Cecil Beatty, colored, \$20 and the court costs in recorder's court Tuesday for having no brakes and failing to stop for a school bus which was loading. Sentence of 60 days was suspended.

Three cases of wife beating came up for trial and in all of them the defendant was let off with payment of the costs when the bruised wife did not wish to further prosecute her husband. They were Ernest McCall and Floyd Cameron, colored, and W. D. Wilson, white. Wilson's wife did not appear.

John Leonard Maulsby, white, was charged with careless and reckless driving and speeding, and the judge accepted his plea of guilty of speeding only. He was fined \$10 and the costs.

Tom Chappell, white, paid the costs for possessing non-tax paid liquor. Green Locklear, Indian, got 90 days for violating the prohibition laws by having a liquor still. Sentence was suspended on payment of \$25 and the costs.

Willie Graham Hendrix, white, and Lewis C. Stubbs, colored of McCain, were each charged with driving drunk. Hendrix pled guilty and got 90 days to be suspended on payment of \$100 and the costs. Stubbs, who was also charged with careless and reckless driving, was only found guilty of the latter offense and sentence was 90 days to be suspended on payment of \$50 and the costs.

## Guard Unit Federal Inspection Planned

Orders have been received by Battery A, 130th Anti-aircraft automatic weapons battalion, local National Guard unit, to the effect that the Annual Federal inspection of the unit will be conducted at the armory on Monday, October 24, 1949, by Col. John G. Howard of the Inspector General's department at Third Army headquarters, Atlanta, Ga.

This will be the fourth Federal inspection of the local battery, and its third annual one. The first federal inspection was on March 10, 1947 and was for initial recognition of the unit at its organization. At the inspection last year Battery A got a "Satisfactory" rating with no deficiencies noted. Only two ratings are given, satisfactory and unsatisfactory.

The unit at present has its full quota of 245 enlisted men and a small waiting list. There is a fairly constant turnover, however, due to the fact that in so large a number of men some are always moving away or joining the Regular Army, Navy or Marine Corps.

## AMERICAN LEGION PLANS MEETING NEXT WED.

Commander Julius Jordan of the local American Legion post has announced that the regular monthly meeting of the post would be held next Wednesday night, October 19, at the High school cafeteria. He urged all legionnaires to be present and said that a chicken supper would be served at seven o'clock.

## RED SPRINGS VFW DANCE

The Red Springs post of the Veterans of Foreign Wars announced this week that a square dance would be held at the post clubhouse on the Raeform road in Red Springs on Saturday night, October 15 and that all veterans with foreign service were invited to attend. There will be no charge for admission.

## Daniel A. Lowder Buried Tuesday At Ashley Heights

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday afternoon at Ashley Heights Baptist church at three o'clock for D. A. Lowder, 61, who died of a heart attack at his home on Monday morning. Service was conducted by the Rev. H. R. Randall and interment followed in the family plot in the Ashley Heights cemetery.

Surviving are his wife, of the home, one daughter, Mrs. Robert Strother of Raeform, Route 3; four sons, Harold, Thad, Alton and Adrian, all of Aberdeen, RFD.

## Feature Folk Music At State Fair

Raleigh, N. C., Oct. 11—Choirs and quartets will sing the old time religion, banjos will twang, and the lilting chant of "docey-do" and "swing you partner" will ring out at the N. C. State Fair next week — October 18-22.

It'll be State Fair Folk Festival time then with the "Minstrel of the Appalachians," Bascom Lamar Lunsford, conducting dancing teams, instrumentalists and vocalists in a fight for the state championships and cash prizes.

Dr. J. S. Dorton, fair manager, announced today that more than \$1,000 in cash prizes — along with loving cups to first place winners — will be handed out to the state's best church choirs, gospel quartets, dance teams, fiddlers, string bands, banjo pickers, clog dancers, and ballad singers.

"In addition there's a sweepstakes prize for the best novelty number not listed," Dr. Dorton said.

Winners from other fairs in the state, including the Southern State Fair, plus a long string of

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## Yates To Manage The Johnson Co.

The Johnson Company announces this week that M. D. Yates is new manager of the company, succeeding the late Cecil Dew, who was killed in Laurinburg on August 24. He will go to work next Monday.

Mr. Yates has considerable experience in the lines of business of The Johnson company, having been for some years manager of Dundarrach Trading company. Since leaving Dundarrach he has been associated with the Robbins Cloth Mills in Aberdeen.

## 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.

**Antioch Presbyterian church** Thursday, October 13, meal at noon, sale following.

**Lumber Bridge Presbyterian church** - Wednesday, October 19, Meal at noon, sale following.

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

**Bethel Presbyterian church** - Thursday, October 20, meal at community house at noon, sale to follow.

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

## Mrs. McCain Named On State Health Group Committee

Mrs. McCain, of Southern Pines, has been named to another year's state health group committee, executive committee of the Hospital Council, organization which last week a state health group leader.

The committee will serve as coordinator of health activities of private and public agencies in the state, for pre- and community and state health programs. Its organization followed a two-year study by a special committee appointed at the first annual North Carolina Health conference.

Dr. William P. Richardson, of Chapel Hill, director of field training for the UNC school of public health was elected president of the council, with Mrs. Marie B. Noell of Raleigh, executive director of the N. C. Nurses' association, as vice-president.

Serving with Mrs. McCain on the executive committee are Dr. Ellen Winston, Raleigh, state superintendent of public welfare; Dr. J. W. R. Norton, state health officer; Mrs. Ernest Hunter, Charlotte; and James H. Clark, Elizabethtown, chairman of the Medical Care commission.

Mrs. McCain has served for some time on the board of trustees of the N. C. Sanatorium and is a trustee of the University of North Carolina. She is a member of the trustees' special committee for selection of a president for the Greater University of North Carolina, a committee whose work has had the deep interest and concern of the state for several months—and incidentally, one of the hardest working bodies of people in North Carolina just now.

## Require Declaration Of Frozen Game

According to District Game Protector H. R. McLean, sportsmen are permitted to store and hold game indefinitely after the close of the season in which it was taken, provided that the quantities and species are declared.

He stated further that owners of home plants as well as those renting refrigerated space are required to declare. This declaration must be completed and signed in duplicate, one copy to be retained by the declarer, the other copy to be retained by the game protector. No one will be allowed to store more than the possession limit.

Forms may be obtained and filled out at the local freezer lock-up plant.

## Southern Pines Elks Entertain Editors

John A. Park, publisher of the Raleigh Times, addressed a luncheon gathering at the Southern Pines Elk home at noon last Thursday on the subject, "Our Newspaper Heritage." The event was held in honor of National Newspaper week, and invitations were extended to publishers and editors of newspapers in Moore, Scotland, Hoke and Richmond counties. Mrs. Paul Dickson, Sr., represented The News-Journal.

The meeting was arranged by the Elk lodge, of which Col. Donald Madigan is exalted ruler. Mr. Park's address was broadcast over Radio Station WSTS.

## REVIVAL AT SHILOH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

The Rev. J. W. Ewart of Radford, Virginia, son of the Rev. and Mrs. S. A. Ewart, will begin a series of services at Shiloh Presbyterian church next Sunday morning, October 16, at eleven o'clock. Services will be held there each night during the following week, beginning at 7:30. The public is cordially invited to attend.

## Lumbee River REA Plans Annual Meeting Nov. 2

M. Newton Nominated For Director In Ryan McBryde Vacancy; Carlyle To Speak

Red Springs—The local Lumbee River Electric Membership Corporation is now making final plans for its ninth Annual Meeting to be held on November 2nd in the High School Auditorium in Red Springs. The Honorable Ertel Carlyle, member of the U. S. House of Representatives, is to be guest speaker for the occasion.

In line with this yearly meeting the Corporation has just had a meeting of the following Nominating Committee: W. J. Britt, Fairmont; W. F. Chason, Lumber Bridge; Lee McFarland, Maxton; George W. McIntyre, Maxton; Gordon Newton, Fayetteville; D. H. Wilkerson, Maxton; A. K. Stevens, Raeform; and J. M. Andrews, Raeform. This committee renominated the following members for the Board of Directors, the first five of whom are charter members who have been with the Cooperative since 1940; C. A. Alford, Rowland; J. R. Caddell, Maxton; Mrs. Lucy Smith, Raeform; J. E. Morrison, Maxton; J. McN. Gillis, Fayetteville; C. L. Ballance, St. Pauls; H. C. Newton, Wagram; and Rowland R. Sealey, Fairmont.

The Nominating Committee also nominated Marshall Newton of Raeform to fill the vacancy created by the recent death of Ryan McBryde. Mr. Newton was a charter member of the board; however, he has not served with the Cooperative for the last three years. The committee also commended the Board of Directors and management for the outstanding job that had been done to date.

The committee's report will be submitted to the members for their action at the next yearly meeting. Under the present by-laws, additional nominations may be made providing 15 members petition same in writing and additional members may be nominated from the floor.

The Cooperative is now in the act of making its final plans which will attract most of its members to the meeting. At present it plans to give away many electrical appliances as attendance prizes.

## Fire Prevention Week, October 9-15

This week is being observed as National Fire Prevention week. Mayors, fire chiefs, building inspectors and others are urging the importance of this week and its emphasis on the deadly menace of fire in American homes, business houses, theatres, schools and churches.

People are urged to get rid of all fire hazards, remove collections of inflammable material from premises, and make sure that there are no danger spots which invite fire. Chimneys and flues should be inspected and carefully checked, as many fires originate from defective flues. Prevention is better than insurance, better than the tears and disappointment which often result from fires.

## COUPLE CELEBRATES 62ND ANNIVERSARY

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Wright celebrated the sixty-second anniversary of their marriage on last Friday, October 7. Mr. Wright's eighty-third birthday was on September 30.

Miss Patsy Blue spent several days in Sanford with her aunt, Mrs. Max Heins, last week.

Misses Marian Lewis and Ann Graham of Salem spent the week end here with home folks.