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YOUR SCHOOL NEWS

By K. A. MacDonald

D. J. Dark, bus route engineer for the State Board of Education visited the county yesterday and checked requests for bus route changes that had been made by various citizens of the county. We do not as yet have his decisions on the requests.

O. B. Griffin, State Division of the State Highway Commission, was in the county this week examining prospective bus drivers. He will be back early next week to finish with the examinations.

We are glad to report that Miss Williams of the Hoke High faculty and little Susan Gibson and Mary Neil Senter, who were with her in the car, were not injured to speak of when the car Miss Williams was driving hit a light pole on North Main street on Monday.

The Hoke-Raeford PTA will hold its regular monthly meeting on Monday evening at 7:30 at the Raeford Graded School.

The State Supervisor of Colored schools was in the county on Tuesday and Wednesday of this week. She visited quite a number of the schools while here.

On January 2, we received from the Certified Public Accountant the audit of county school funds for the school year ending June 30, 1949. The recapitulation is given below.

County Funds—Receipts

County taxes, \$43,573.63; Intangible taxes, \$1,988.64; Fines and Forfeitures, \$11,362.64; Unclaimed Witness Fees, \$57.85; Federal Funds for lunchrooms, \$15,391.27; Federal Funds for Veterans Training, \$42,631.79; State Funds for Vocational Training, \$8,890.30; Jeans Fund, \$100.00; Sale of Government Bonds, \$5,895.00; Rent, \$434.00; Donations, \$2,187.50; Temp. loan from Land Sales, \$3,000.00; Prior yr. accounts receivable collected, \$1,059.19; Miscellaneous, \$205.53; Total receipts, \$136,787.34; Balance July 1, 1948, \$106.83; Total, \$136,874.17.

Disbursements

General Supervision, \$1,773.80; Vocational Ed. and School supplies, \$22,551.73; Heat, Light, Water, Janitors and telephone, \$1,143.97; Repairs to Bldg. and Equipment, \$9,758.15; Insurance and retirement, \$5,396.15; Transportation and Misc., \$896.99; Re-employment adv. from land sales, \$5,000.00; Lunchrooms, \$15,429.67; Veterans training, \$42,631.79; Library, \$595.83; School Building and Equipment, \$8,779.79; School buses, \$6,023.70; Bonds and Interest, \$3,617.00; State Loans and Interest, \$3,652.00; Total Disbursements, \$127,250.57; Balance, \$9,623.60.

State Funds—Disbursements

General Control, \$9,358.85; Instructional Service, \$228,433.68; Operation of Plant, \$10,566.00; Auxiliary Services, \$29,537.73; Total State Funds, \$277,896.26; Total All Funds, \$405,146.83.

The above shows the operation of the school year 1948-49 as audited by the State Board of Education and a certified public accountant employed by the county Board of Education.

ANOTHER POLE HIT

Another telephone pole took a blow near the corner of the Aberdeen road and Main street on Monday afternoon when the Pontiac being driven by Miss Irma Williams of the school faculty hit it. Neither Miss Williams nor her passengers, little Susan Gibson and Mary Neil Senter, were hurt. The car, the property of Miss Doris Bradley of the faculty, was smashed up some.

Holly Thieves Pay Fines In Recorder's Court

Will Patterson, Jr., and Ira Patterson, colored, were charged with forcible trespass and larceny of holly from the land of Henry Blue in Quewhiffle township. The two were apparently taking the cut holly to Southern Pines and Pinehurst and selling it. They were found guilty and got 90 days each suspended on payment of fines of \$25 each and the costs.

Evander J. (Pop) Smith, white, was found guilty of giving Mrs. Pauline Faulk a bad check for \$87. He was sentenced to 90 days to be suspended on payment of the court costs and the check. He appealed to Superior court and posted a \$200 bond.

Arthur and Otis McPhaul, colored, were charged with operating a still and got 90 days each to be suspended on payment of \$25 and the costs.

F. D. McDonald, white, paid the costs for being drunk and disorderly.

Walter Barefoot, white, was charged with assaulting his wife. Sentence was one year to be suspended on payment of the costs and on condition that he be of good behavior for two years, stop drinking and support his wife.

Lonnie Covington, colored paid \$10 and the costs for having improper brakes on his car.

Jessie Farmer, colored, got 4 months on the roads suspended on payment of \$110 and the costs for driving drunk, speeding and having improper brakes.

Fred Lawrence, Jr., colored, paid \$10 and the costs for going 50 in a 35 mile zone.

Sam Spencer, white man charged with driving drunk, said that it was improper equipment on his car that made him drive crazy and the court accepted this plea and fined him \$10 and the costs.

Alex McQueen, Elige Smith and James Ferguson, colored, were charged with the temporary larceny of a truck. Each paid \$10 and the costs.

Paying \$10 and the costs were: K. E. Foster, white soldier, speeding; Purcell Henderson, Indian, improper lights.

Sam Menies and Emil Hartman, tourists, left \$25 each for speeding.

The case against F. C. McPhaul, white, and Lerow Henderson, Indian, was dismissed for lack of evidence. They were charged with some offense in connection with their crops for last year. The warrants were signed by Peter Locklear and it was not very clear just what they were charged with.

Bank Of Raeford Annual Meeting

The stockholders of The Bank of Raeford held their annual meeting on Thursday morning, January 5, 1950 in the banking rooms of the bank.

The report from the management indicated that the Bank had enjoyed a good year. A 15% dividend having been declared payable January 1st, 1950 and the Surplus Account was increased by \$7500.00.

The following Directors were elected to serve for this year: H. L. Gatlin, F. B. Sexton, T. B. Upchurch, Jr., J. L. McNeill, J. B. Thomas, A. K. Stevens, H. L. Gatlin, Jr., C. L. Thomas, L. M. Upchurch and R. B. Lewis.

At a meeting of the Directors held following the adjournment of the Stockholders meeting the following officers were elected for this year: President, H. L. Gatlin, Vice President, F. B. Sexton, Exec. Vice President and Cashier, R. B. Lewis, Ass't. Cashier, Miss Jessie B. Ferguson.

The bank is now in its forty-seventh year of service to Hoke County and this area.

Hoke High Cage Teams Win 3 Of 4 In Week

Beat Rowland Two And Split With 71st; Play Aberdeen Here Friday Night

By Billie Lester
On Friday night of last week, Hoke High defeated Rowland in both games of a double-header.

In the first game of the night the Hoke High girls came through with a 30-24 triumph. Lyda Williams again set the pace as she hit the basket for 15 points. Sarah Cole was close behind with 12 points. Knight was the leading scorer for Rowland, bagging 14 points.

In the final game of the night the Hoke High boys barely came through with a 31-30 victory. It was a rough and tumble affair throughout. Billie Lester set the pace for the Hoke High boys, hitting the hoops for 12 points. Joe Davis, 6 foot forward, bagged 8 points for runner-up. Britt led Rowland with 9 points.

On Tuesday night of this week the Hoke High girls and boys basketball teams met 71st in a doubleheader at the local gym. The Hoke High girls came through with a 30-19 triumph, while the Hoke High boys went down in defeat 32-23.

The Hoke High girls after leading by only 5 points, 16-11, at the end of the first half, really turned on the heat in the last half to win 30-19. Lyda Williams paced the girls to their victory as she bagged 18 points. Sarah Cole bagged 8 points for runner-up honors. Lee had 14 points to pace 71st.

In the finale the Hoke High boys went down in defeat 32-23. After leading 12-10 at the end of the first half, they could not match the shooting of the 71st boys in the second half. Landon Yarborough, local center, hit the hoops for 9 points before fouling out with two minutes gone in the second half. Billie Lester bagged 7 points for runner-up. Tillman and Cantrell both had 9 points to lead 71st.

Next games will be with Aberdeen tomorrow night in the local gym. First game starts at 7:30.

County HD Council Has Meeting Monday

The Hoke County Council of Home Demonstration Clubs met in "The Lions Den" in Raeford on Monday, January 9 at 2:30 p. m. with the County Chairman, Mrs. John Baker, presiding. After a short business session Mrs. Baker introduced H. C. Chaney of the County Farmers Home Administration, who explained the new Federal Housing Bill. This should be a great help for tenant farmers who need and want home improvements.

H. E. Vernon, the county agent, made a brief talk on the farm and home outlook for 1950. He warned of lower incomes from farm products and cuts in acreages, etc. He stressed that more vegetables be grown, more chickens and livestock raised so that we can live at home and not count too much on money crops to buy all our needs.

Miss Josephine Hall read a list of problems and situations in Hoke County as seen by a number of leading citizens of the county. Most of these are problems we can easily solve; others not so easily but the first step toward perfection is to realize that problems and situations do exist and get busy correcting them, not only the Home Demonstration Club women but every citizen in Hoke County.

Mrs. Margaret Sinclair, Publicity Chairman.

Local Men Go To Ginners Meet In Shelby Monday

Four local men attended the meeting of the Carolinas Ginners association in Shelby Monday at which J. F. McLaurin of Bennettsville was elected president to succeed George Ashford as president. The local men were M. D. Yates, Clyde Upchurch, Jr., J. W. Canaday and Henry Maxwell. Upchurch was also there for a directors meeting on Sunday afternoon.

The association went on record as opposing the Brannan farm plan and also as favoring expansion of cotton exports. The group also passed a resolution advocating the preparation by the Department of Agriculture of a plan for the support of cotton seed prices.

Another resolution favored amendments proposed by Congressional committees for re-allocation of any cotton acreage that may not be planted in 1950.

Re-elected secretary-treasurer of the association was Lewis McGill of Red Springs. Clyde Upchurch, Jr., was also chosen a member of the board of directors for 1950.

The group heard experts talk on economics of cotton ginning, insect control for 1950, cotton handling and the functions of the New York cotton exchange.

Rules Explained For Allotments As "New Growers"

Eligible producers interested in applying for a "New Grower" tobacco allotment should file an application at the Hoke County PMA office prior to February 1, 1950, Robert J. Hasty, Chairman, Hoke County PMA Committee said here today.

He pointed out that in order to be eligible for a new grower tobacco allotment, all of the following conditions must be met: (1) The farm operator shall have had experience in growing the kind of tobacco for which an allotment is requested either as a sharecropper, tenant or as a farm operator during two of the past five years; Provided, however, that a farm operator who has been in the Armed Services shall be deemed to have met the requirements hereof if he has had experience in growing the kind of tobacco for which an allotment is requested during one year either within the five years immediately prior to his entry into the armed services or since his discharge from the armed services. (2) The farm operator shall live on and be largely dependent for his livelihood on the farm covered by the application. (3) The farm covered by the application shall be the only farm owned or operated by the farm operator for which a Burley or flue cured tobacco allotment is established for the 1950-51 marketing year; and (4) The farm will not have a 1950 allotment for any kind of tobacco other than that for which application is made hereunder.

Local Lady's Sister Dies In Charlotte

Mrs. L. R. McAlpine, 80 year old Charlotte woman and sister of Mrs. Lola Pope of Raeford, died in a Charlotte hospital Friday afternoon after an illness of several months. Mrs. McAlpine was a daughter of the late S. T. and Mary Elizabeth McQueen Throver of Wagram, and she was born in Scotland county Oct. 3, 1869.

Funeral service was conducted at 2 p. m. Sunday at McEwen chapel in Charlotte by the Rev. J. H. Eades, pastor of Northside Church of the Nazarene, and the Rev. Lee Tuttle, pastor of the First Methodist church of which she was a member. Burial was in Sharon Memorial Park.

Surviving are her husband, two daughters, two sons, one sister.

Raeford Probably To Be On Route Of New Highway

Super-highway Planned to Leave 301 Near Fayetteville Follow 15-A To S. C. Line

Since shortly after the end of the war, a big topic of Chamber of Commerce and Merchants association secretaries was the proposed super-highway system.

Of special local interest has been the controversy whether or not the section of highway, on leaving Fayetteville, would continue on 301 through Lumberton or whether it would connect with 15-A and come through here.

The Highway commission, under Governor Cherry, favored the former route, while both the U. S. Department of Roads and the S. C. Highway commission, favored the latter route through Raeford and Laurinburg.

Governor Scott's Highway commission seems to be in favor of routing the highway through here, according to a report in the News and Observer, Monday, which said in part: "The tentative plan for North Carolina to run the main north-south route down U. S. 301 to near Fayetteville and then down U. S. 15-A to South Carolina."

This, at least for the time being, seems to indicate that the super-highway will run through here on its way to South Carolina.

Younger Sneed New President Kiwanis Club

Younger Sneed was installed as president of the Raeford Kiwanis club at the regular weekly meeting of the club at the high school cafeteria last Thursday night. He succeeds Robert Gatlin.

Other officers installed to serve in 1950 were W. T. Gibson, vice-president; A. H. McPhaul, secretary and Alfred Cole, J. W. McPhaul, T. B. Upchurch, N. A. McDonald, Julius Jordan, C. L. Thomas and J. M. Andrews, directors.

Installation was made by S. Preston Douglas, of Lumberton Kiwanis club, lieutenant-governor of the fourth district for 1950. Mr. Douglas made a short talk to each on his duties and a short talk to the club on Kiwanis objectives. He presented the President's pin to Sneed and a past president's pin to Robert Gatlin.

The new president thank the members of the club for their confidence in him in choosing him president and briefly outlined some of the things he wants the club to accomplish in 1950. He also spoke of the fine leadership the club had under Robert Gatlin in 1949.

OFFER WILDLIFE SEED

David Taylor, of the North Carolina Wildlife Resources commission, will be in the local soil conservation office on Friday, January 20, to take applications for bi-color lespedeza and multi-flora rose crowns. These seed are being offered free of charge to those landowners who will use them to plant to be eaten by game birds and animals.

SUPPER AT ROCKFISH

There will be a chicken and oyster stew supper at the Rockfish school tomorrow night, Friday the thirteenth of January, for the benefit of the school lunchroom. The lunchroom's pressing need is for funds to continue the serving of milk to the children.

Friends of Mrs. W. B. McLaughlin will be sorry to hear that she has been sick for the past several days.

PLAN MANY BIG BENEFITS IN COUNTY FOR MARCH OF DIMES

Almost Every Community Plans Some Event To Raise Its Part Of County's Quota

The annual March of Dimes swings into line throughout the nation on Monday, January 16 and continues to the end of January. In Hoke county a great many benefits of various kinds are being planned to raise the \$3000 quota for the county with the climax coming on Thursday, February 2, when

the Raeford Kiwanis and Lions clubs stage their local-talent minstrel show at the high school.

Lewis Upchurch, county chairman for the drive, and Robert Gatlin, Raeford chairman who is assisting Upchurch with the work of organizing the county, said this week in announcing the drive that the need in the nation was greater than it had ever been, as there were 41,000 cases of infantile paralysis in the United States in 1949, a record total. Many thousand of these cases will still need what has been estimated at \$20 million, not considering cases still needing treatment from other years and new cases in 1950.

Another big item for consideration, the chairman said, is the fact that due to the record number of cases last year most local chapters are entirely out of funds for local use in the care of current and past cases of polio.

The only source of funds for these items is the annual March of Dimes, they said, and in view of the bad time in North Carolina in 1948 it is felt that a great sum should be raised in the State, as a tremendous amount of money was brought here from all over the nation during our epidemic.

The only way the disease will be conquered is for a cure to be discovered and to this end the finest medical and scientific brains are working. This also costs money and the money must come from the March of Dimes.

Community Benefits
Schedule for the benefit gatherings in the various communities in the order that they occur, is as follows:

- Tuesday, January 17; Basketball.** Hoke High gymnasium, Hoke High boys and girls teams against Parkton High;
- Wednesday, January 18. Square Dance** at Blue Springs community house, music by Elmo Stanton's band;
- Thursday, January 19, Brunswick** stew supper at Montrose community house;
- Friday, January 20. Square dance** at Raeford Armory, music by Hoke High Hot Shots;
- Tuesday, January 24, barbecue** and turkey supper at Mildouson school with Square dance following at Hendrix Grill;
- Thursday, January 26, Barbecue** supper and minstrel at Mildouson school;
- Friday, January 27, Minstrel show** at Ashmont school;
- Thursday, February 2, Minstrel** show by Raeford Kiwanis and Lions clubs at Hoke High school.

Community Chairman
Chairmen for the drive in the various communities are as follows: Rockfish, E. T. Brock; Ashley Heights, Mrs. T. C. Sinclair; Raeford, Robert Gatlin; Alledale, W. L. Roper; Blue Springs, E. C. Smith, Jr.; Sanatorium, E. B. Satterwhite; Little River, Dougald Cameron; Timberland, Mrs. Leon Cameron; Wayside, to be announced; Antioch, Cecil McPhaul; Dundarrach, J. W. Canaday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Upchurch, Jr. spent the week end in Gastonia with Mrs. Upchurch's parents, Mrs. Upchurch's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Falls.

FARMING

Cottonseed
A large percentage of the cottonseed that was saved from the 1949 cotton crop has a low germination. Don't trust the appearance of the seed; let the Seed Testing Laboratory of the N. C. Department of Agriculture in Raleigh give you a germination report. Mail them a representative sample of your seed to be sure. With the large cut in cotton acreage a good stand on the allotted acre is a necessity. A knowledge of the percentage of good seed will serve as a guide for the planting rates per acre. Don't wait too late as it may take as much as a month or more to get a report on your seed. Good seed is a good investment, so don't let your seed get too far from the breeder. The extra price of good cotton seed will pay off in yield and quality and a small amount will produce seed for the following years crop.

Tobacco Seed Cleaning
Farmers who haven't already cleaned their tobacco seed can have them cleaned free at the County Agents office. The air cleaner set up there can do a pretty good job of removing chaff, trash, and faulty, immature seed.

Farm Family Living
With many things competing for the Farm Family Living Dollar, it will be wise for the farm families to produce and conserve the major portion of their food and free dollars for other items of family living. Although indications are that there will be plentiful supplies of foods in 1950, this does not mean that their prices will be lower.

Records show that the largest amount (37 per cent) of the money spent for family living (not per cent of total income) by farm families in the South goes for food. To produce more food and allow none to go to waste is the

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Rebels Split Two With Barnesville

The Raeford Rebels, local semi-pro outfit, split a doubleheader with a fighting Barnesville team Monday night. The local lasses lost by a heartbreaking score of 28-23, while the boys, led by Jim Warner and Luke McNeill, raced to a convincing 50-36 victory over a fighting but outclassed Barnesville quintet. Warner and McNeill dropped in 21 and 12 points, respectively. Hardin was the big gun for the opponents, racking up 11 points. In the girl's game, Stanley was tops for Raeford, scoring 8 points. Ivey was high for Barnesville with 17. There will be a poster in the street on days there is to be a game.

PLAN LEGION MEETING

Commander Julius Jordan of the local American Legion post has announced that the next meeting of the post would be a turkey supper in the High school cafeteria next Wednesday night at seven o'clock. He urged all members to attend.