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YOUR SCHOOL NEWS

By K. A. MacDonald

Dr. Gordon Ellis, professor of Guidance at the University of N. C. was a visitor to Hoke High yesterday. Dr. Ellis came particularly to inspect and study the guidance department. Miss Watson is putting this department on the map, but the best part of it is the good that it is doing the boys and girls in the high school. Representatives of the Fayetteville office of the Federal Employment Service were here this week giving aptitude tests and interviewing the seniors in reference to job placement. This is just one of the services Miss Watson arranges for.

The county superintendent is in Raleigh today attending a meeting called by the State Superintendent for the purpose of meeting with representatives of the Federal Department of Agriculture in reference to additional funds for the school lunchrooms. Hoke is one of 9 counties that has been declared in an emergency area.

Rockfish and Mildouson schools are both making a special effort in spelling this year in addition to the county-wide emphasis on reading. These two schools have already had one match and have more scheduled between the schools. In the one held last week Carroll Scarborough of Rockfish stood up longest. Jean Heathcox stood up longest for Mildouson.

We are glad that these schools are taking this interest in spelling.

All schools in the county are getting ready for the Polio Drive that started this week. There seems to be more than the usual interest in this good work. We expect the schools to be of every material aid in the drive.

Mrs. C. S. Osment, county supervisor, is attending a clinic at Duke University today and will attend a state meeting in Charlotte for supervisors tomorrow and Saturday.

Dried milk and additional butter has been delivered to the county storeroom for use in the school lunchrooms.

NEWS OF THE COLORED SCHOOLS

(Contributed)

The teachers of group three met last Wednesday at McFarland School. All members of the group were present. The discussion was a follow-up of the last meeting. The subject was reading. Problems were given and explanation of how they were solved through experience gained by having discussions.

The State Elementary Supervisor was present and gave comments at the close of the meeting.

Group two will meet at Bowers January 23, when spelling will be the subject.

Burlington PTA met for its regular meeting January 10. Parents were present in large numbers. Plans were made for county-wide Founders Day on February 10, at Burlington. The speaker will be the state executive secretary, Ada M. Jorgagin. Plans were also made for securing the 20% of the insurance that they lack, so far they have only 80% of the total sum.

Teachers and students of Laurel Hill wish to thank Mrs. M. K. McNeill for magazines which she gave them. Should others have magazines that they wish to donate to the schools they may call the Board of Education office.

Overall crop production in the United States during 1949 surpassed that of any previous year except 1948.

Funeral Service For Mrs. J. A. Greene Sunday Afternoon

Funeral service for Mrs. J. A. Greene, Sr. was conducted at the Raeford Presbyterian church at three o'clock last Sunday afternoon by the pastor, the Rev. W. B. Heyward.

Mrs. Greene died suddenly Thursday night at the Raeford Hotel, where she made her home. She had had supper and had spent the evening at the home of her son, Harry Greene, and had visited with the Holtzclaw family on returning. She complained of not feeling well and was taken to her room where she passed away in a few minutes.

Mrs. Greene was a native of Nashville, Tenn., and moved to Lumberton in 1911. When her husband died in 1927 she moved to Raeford and had made her residence here since. She was 80 years old.

Pallbearers were C. E. Upchurch, D. H. Hodgin, R. B. Lewis, W. D. McLeod and Robert Galin. Honorary pallbearers were elders and deacons of the Raeford Presbyterian church. Burial was in the Raeford cemetery. Mrs. Greene's late husband is buried in Atlanta, Ga., but it is planned to move his remains to the cemetery here at some future date.

Mrs. Greene is survived by two sons, J. A. Greene of Atlanta and Harry A. Greene of Raeford; and by two grandchildren, Jimmie Greene of Los Angeles and Frances Ward Greene of Raeford.

Local Men Will Take Part In Council Meeting

Lincolnton, N. C., Jan. 4 — Twenty-two North Carolina Virginia cotton leaders will play major roles in planning the cotton industry's 1950 research and promotion program at the National Cotton Council's twelfth annual meeting in Memphis, Tenn., January 23-25.

B. C. Lineberger, Lincolnton, chairman of the Cotton Council's North Carolina - Virginia Unit, said that all state cotton groups had completed selection of official delegates to represent North Carolina and Virginia at the industry-wide meeting.

"At no time in recent years has the need for a well-integrated program or research and promotion for the American cotton industry been so great," Mr. Lineberger said. "It will be the job of the Council's official delegates from North Carolina and Virginia and the other cotton-producing states to set the policies which will govern Council activities during the year ahead.

"Cotton's competition becomes greater rather than less as time goes by," he continued. "It is the task of the National Cotton Council and the cotton industry to meet the challenges of competition and to maintain cotton consumption at a high level."

Council delegates will vote on recommendations for a 1950 program in the fields of production and marketing efficiency, utilization research, sales promotion and public relations, foreign trade, trade, and general activities including legislation.

Mr. Lineberger said that approximately 1,000 members of the cotton industry and allied groups are expected to attend the conferences at the Hotel Peabody in Memphis. Principal speakers of the three-day meeting include C. E. Wilson, Detroit, president of the General Motors Corporation; Allan B. Kline, Chicago, president of the American Farm Bureau Federation, and Harold A. Young, North Little Rock, Ark., president of the Council.

The official North Carolina-Virginia delegation to the Council meeting includes: Producers: Fred P. Johnson,

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Raeford Wins From Parkton Here Tues.

BY BILLIE LESTER

On Tuesday night of this week the Hoke High School basketball teams turned in two convincing wins over Parkton. The Hoke High girls, after trailing by seven points at the half, came from behind in the last half to win 30-29. With only four seconds left to play, and Parkton leading 29-27, Betty Jane Ashburn sank a long push shot to tie the ball game up, and Sarah Cole made a free toss as the horn went off to ice the game. Sarah Cole, who has been hitting the basket with unusual accuracy in the last few games, turned in her best game of the season as she hit for 21 points. Ann McDonald bagged 12 points to pace Parkton.

In the final game of the night the Hoke High boys had no trouble as they trounced the boys from Parkton, 51-31. The Parkton boys matched the Hoke High boys basket for basket in the last half, but the margin rolled up in the first two quarters by the boys from Hoke High was just too much. At the end of the first quarter Hoke High led 17-1, and at the half, 31-13. Landon Yarborough, towering local center, played one of his better games as he hit the hoops for 15 points. Joe Davis and Billie Lester had 12 points apiece for runner-up. Jackson and Edwards with 13 and 9 points respectively set the pace for Parkton.

Kiwanians Hear District Social Security Director

Program at the weekly meeting of the Raeford Kiwanis club last week was handled by Walter Baker, who presented as speaker Vernon D. Herbert of Fayetteville, district director of the Federal Social Security Administration.

Mr. Herbert gave a clear presentation of the operation of the Federal Security Administration and compared it to an insurance company, comparing all the wage-earners who pay social security to policy holders of an insurance company. His talk was interesting and made clear a great many points about his business not generally known.

Also a guest at the meeting was Carl Knott of Fayetteville, Field Scout executive for the Cape Fear area council of the Boy Scouts of America.

Boy Scouts Plan Court Of Honor In Wagram Wed.

James Mason, Laurinburg attorney and advancement chairman for Scouting in the western district of the Cape Fear Council, announced this week that a court of honor would be held in the auditorium of the Wagram school at seven-thirty next Wednesday evening, January 25.

He said that several of the 15 Boy Scout troops in Hoke and Scotland counties would be represented by more Scouts receiving awards than at any previous court.

He urged all parents of Scouts to attend the ceremony and issuing a cordial invitation to the public.

CHURCH OF GOD REVIVAL

The Rev. Clarence Turlington will conduct a series of revival services at the Church of God north of the mill village near Thames store. Special speaker for Tuesday night, the first of the series will be the Rev. E. C. Thomas, N. C. Church of God youth director. The services will start at seven p. m. Tuesday.

The number of persons at work on farms in November totaled slightly more than nine million about the same as a year ago.

Liquor Makers Pay Fines In Court Tuesday

Several Speeders Pay; Man Who Assaulted Deputy Goes To Roads For 60 Days

Defendants involved in three liquor stills uncovered by officers of the sheriff's department recently were brought to trial before Judge Henry McDiarmid in Hoke County recorder's court Tuesday morning. All were found guilty and fined. John D. Purcell, colored, was charged with having the still in one case and having illegal liquor in another. He got 90 days to be suspended on payment of \$25 and the costs. Joe Goodman, colored, and Roosevelt Chavis, Indian, were charged with having a still and they got 90 days suspended on payment of \$25 and the costs for having a still. John Pridden, colored, got 90 days suspended on payment of \$25 and the costs for having a still.

Junior and Elton Ross, colored, were charged with disposing of mortgaged property by C. W. Childress. Those involved settled the matter and Elton Ross had to pay the costs and the State took a nol pros with leave in the case against Junior Ross.

Watson Bethune, white, had to pay \$25 and the costs for driving without a driver's license.

Evander J. Smith, white, was charged by his wife with assault but when it came up for trial she didn't want to prosecute. He was let off on payment of the costs.

Gracie Mae Peterkin, colored, paid the costs for assault and Willie McNeill, colored, got 30 days suspended on payment of the costs for assault and being drunk and disorderly.

Joseph C. Moore, John H. Burton, Frank E. Lampert, Abraham Levy and Diana Gould Penny, all white, left \$25 bonds each for speeding. Leroy P. Austin, white, and William G. McAllister and Halbert Brown, colored, each paid \$10 and the costs for the same offense.

John Matthew Singletary, colored, was charged in two cases with assaulting Deputy Sheriff Harry Dees and attempting to escape. He was sent to the roads for 60 days.

BENEFITS MARCH OF DIMES

TONIGHT - Brunswick stew and barbecue supper at Montrose community house.

FRIDAY NIGHT - Square Dance at Raeford Armory, music by Hoke High Hot Shots. Rubie Clark will call 'em.

TUESDAY, January 24 - Barbecue and turkey supper at Mildouson school. Square Dance afterwards at Hendrix grill. Music by Elmo Stanton.

THURSDAY, January 26 - Barbecue supper and minstrel show at Rockfish school.

FRIDAY, January 27 - Minstrel show at Ashemont school.

THURSDAY, February 2 - Kiwanis and Lions clubs local talent minstrel show at Hoke High school.

ALFRED COLE PRACTICE PHARMACY STUDENT

Alfred Cole, Jr., a pharmacy student at the University of North Carolina, will spend the next ten months at the Southern Pines Pharmacy, gaining practical experience which will count toward his degree. He started his duties there last week and will return to the University next October, entering the senior class.

He has taken a room in the McMillan building with Watt Culbreth, who is also employed at the Southern Pines Pharmacy. Graham Culbreth is the proprietor.

Polio Campaign Needs Support

During the last six years the people of North Carolina have received more funds from the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis than they have contributed. This information comes from the office of Mrs. Phillips Russell in Chapel Hill, director of organization for the state headquarters.

In 1949, a net total of \$1,172,897.38 was raised and in that year the National Foundation supplied to North Carolina chapters \$1,039,562.45. It is hoped that the campaign this year may be more successful than last year's.

Since 1944, the state has had 4,286 cases of polio, 2,516 of which occurred during the 1948 epidemic. This is an average of 14 cases a year, amounting to an epidemic every year.

Since only 50% of funds raised in North Carolina go to the National Foundation, this definitely puts the state in the red.

At a district meeting held at the Hotel Prince Charles in Fayetteville, Dr. Ralph McDonald, state campaign chairman, told representatives of seven counties, including Hoke, that people do not realize why more money than ever should be raised this year. The ordinary person does not stop to think that, although polio was not as bad in the state last year as in 1948, the effects of that year's epidemic and still being felt and will for years to come.

Rebels Take Shape With Experience

After an early season slump, the local semi-pro basketball team is finally rounding out as a polished outfit. Under the tutoring of Coach Ben Robinson, the Rebels are now living up to their pre-season expectations. On last Wednesday night they showed the form they were in downing a crack Parkton team, 53-37. At present Luke McNeill and Jim Warner are setting the scoring pace, dropping in 66 points between them in the last two games. Poole is the Rebel's set-shot artist, and Thomas excels under the basket and on defense. Bill Clark is a consistent all-round performer. Pete Sawyer is back from last year, and Jack Lee and Ken Clark, both newcomers, are showing great promise.

A girl's team has been organized, and much is expected of them when they gain some needed experience.

Disaster Loans Now Available

The Farmers Home Administration located in the Hoke County Office Building in Raeford, N. C. is now authorized to take applications for Disaster Loans. This money is appropriated for farmers who suffered a crop disaster during the previous year—1949. These funds cannot be used for paying off debts made during the crop year 1949 but can be used to finance your crop for 1950.

A person must be unable to obtain credit from any other source at a reasonable rate of interest to be eligible for one of these disaster loans.

PLAN MEETING

Julian Wright, chairman of the Sunday School building committee at Bethel Presbyterian church has asked all members of this committee to attend a meeting at the church at seven-thirty o'clock tomorrow night.

ELK GIVES COFFEE

Tony Drake, manager of the Elk Restaurant, gave the coffee on Monday and all the coffee he sold that day went into the March of Dimes receptacle there. It hasn't been counted yet but appears to be a sizable sum.—Don't try to run off with jar.

State Representative Speaker At PTA Meeting Monday

"The PTA is an educational organization for the purpose of teaching ourselves to become better teachers and parents that pupils may profit thereby," stated Miss Genevieve Burton, State Field PTA Representative, in addressing local PTA Monday evening at the Raeford Elementary School. Miss Burton emphasized the scope of the PTA activities and reviewed the objectives and policies of the organization.

The PTA does not stop at the school, but it promotes the welfare of the children in all their activities in home, church and community.

Miss Burton concluded her talk by urging parents and teachers to keep the PTA strictly educational—that material equipment was necessary and important but should not be the final goal of the organization.

Miss Burton was introduced by Mrs. N. L. McFadyen, president of the local PTA. Preceding the address America was sung, and K. A. MacDonald led the opening prayer. A committee composed of Mrs. T. B. Upchurch, Mrs. J. L. McNeill, and Mrs. H. L. Gatlin was appointed to make plans for benefit party. February 9 was date tentatively set for this game tournament. In the attendance count, Mrs. H. C. Roberts, secretary, announced that not a single room had enough parents present to be eligible for the attendance prize.

Attend Boy Scout Anniversary Dinner In Wilmington

The 40th Anniversary Crusade of the Boy Scouts of America was celebrated at the annual meeting and dinner of the Cape Fear council at the New Hanover High school cafeteria in Wilmington on Monday night. Several Raeford persons were part of the large crowd which enjoyed a three course seafood dinner.

The meeting was presided over by James H. Clark of Elizabethtown, president of the council. Speaker for the occasion was Chancellor Robert B. House of the University of North Carolina, who in his usual entertaining way discussed with the gathering of parents and friends of Scouting the value of scout training to boys.

Those attending from Raeford, members of the executive board, committee chairmen and their wives, included Mr. and Mrs. Younger Snead, Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Upchurch Dr. and Mrs. R. L. Murray and Mr. and Mrs. Nat White. Mr. White is scoutmaster of the Raeford troop.

Open District Census Office In Lexington

W. Lamont Brown, eighth district supervisor for the 1950 census, said this week that an office has been opened at Lexington and that he is ready to receive applications for about 400 jobs.

Enumerators will be needed to work two weeks in urban areas, others to work about six weeks in rural areas (where an agricultural census will also be taken) and crew leaders to work about two months, all jobs to start April 1. Candidates are asked to write the district office, Bureau of the Census, at Lexington, for application blanks and information.

ATTENDS RADIO SCHOOL

Sgt. Martin L. Webb, of the local National Guard battery, will leave tomorrow for Camp Gordon, Georgia, where he will attend the Army's advanced school for radio repairmen. The course will last about seven months. Mrs. Webb and son expects to join him there later.

Judge Stevens To Open Superior Court Monday

Short Session Indicated; Only 4 Criminal and 8 Civil Cases; Same Grand Jury

Judge Henry L. Stevens, Jr., of Warsaw, will preside at the regular January term of Hoke County superior court which will convene here Monday for the trial of civil and criminal cases. At the times in years past this term of court has been skipped due to a lack of cases to be tried, and there are barely enough to justify having it this time.

The civil docket is set to be tried on Tuesday and consists of three divorce actions and eight other cases, most of which are expected to be brief if they even come to trial.

The criminal docket, to be tried Monday, has two old cases to dispose of. These involve Herman Maynor, Indian, an embezzlement charge, and C. H. Bridges, white, on charges concerning damages in a wreck here some time ago. Only two new cases are scheduled so far and they are both misdemeanors which have been appealed from recorder's court. In one Bethune Maulsby, local white man, appeals a conviction in recorder's court of driving a car while under the influence of liquor. In the other Evander J. Smith, white, is appealing a recent conviction of giving a bad check.

The grand jury will be the same as it was at the last term of Superior court.

Persons who have been summoned to attend court for jury duty are as follows:

W. J. McBryde, D. H. Walters, A. A. Walters, Mrs. Clara Mae Jones, Frank Chisholm, W. M. Hair, D. F. Clark, John A. Wilkes, H. B. Terrell, W. D. Pickler, John McFadyen, B. P. Townsend, R. H. Gibson, S. B. Hobson, R. H. Williamson, Jim F. West, Doug McMillian, W. T. McQuage, Earl J. Hare, Mrs. N. A. Clark, H. T. Hines, Jack Sides, Eulus Oldhom, Will Frank Wright, Dan Clark, R. L. Smith, H. B. Nixon, Bernice Garner, Israel Mann, N. J. McMillian, Roland Baker, Isaac Baker, W. W. Teal, J. V. Miller, T. C. Scarborough, M. L. Sides.

Star Route Now Carries Mail But Jitney Still Runs

The United States mail between Aberdeen, Raeford and Fayetteville began moving by truck on Monday of this week when a "Star" route began operation and replaced the mail service provided by the jitney of the Aberdeen and Rockfish railroad for many years.

The Star route contract, according to Postmaster L. F. Clark, is until June 16. It provides for two round trips daily (six days weekly) between Fayetteville and Aberdeen. The truck leaves Fayetteville at 7:15 a. m. and leaves Raeford around 8:00. It leaves Aberdeen on the return trip about 9:45 and Raeford at about 10:30. It stops at Rockfish on this trip and leaves Fayetteville on the next trip at 2:30, coming through Raeford at about 3:15. On the last trip it leaves Aberdeen at 4:15 and Raeford at 5:00. The truck goes through Rockfish on both trips toward Fayetteville but on neither trip toward Aberdeen.

This arrangement provides just double the mail service that was provided by the railroad when the jitney carried it to Fayetteville in the mornings and back in the afternoons.