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YOUR SCHOOL NEWS

By K. A. MacDonald

Mrs. A. H. McPhaul of the Raeford Graded faculty is still ill in Moore County hospital. Mrs. Bill Howell and Mrs. Mitchell Epstein have been substituting for her. We hope that Mrs. McPhaul will be able to return home this week.

The Junior-Senior banquet, the outstanding social event of the year for the high school group, will be held in the gymnasium tomorrow evening at seven-thirty o'clock. We understand that an outstanding program for the evening has been arranged. Those privileged to attend will be amply repaid for going.

The Rockfish PTA held its regular monthly meeting last evening at the school building. Mrs. Osment, Elementary Supervisor, talked to the group in reference to the preparation of pre-school children for school in the fall.

The final spelling match for the county will be broadcast from Fayetteville between 10 and 11 A. M. Thursday, April 27. Plan to tune in and hear the children spell. There are some excellent spellers in the county.

Miss Dorothy Kirby, nutritionist with the State Board of Health is in Hoke County this week making a nutritional survey at the Bowmore school and assisting with pre-school clinics while here. She will return the week of the 24th to make the same survey at Rockfish.

Pre-school clinics were held yesterday at Ashmont and at New Hope. Doctors from the Sanatorium examined the children. We appreciate their doing this service for the children. Clinics are being held today at Rockfish and Mildouson with Dr. Wilcox, our health officer, doing the examinations. Dr. Wilcox had to rearrange his schedule in order to get our clinics in and we appreciate it.

The Wildlife clubs of Mrs. Ruria Shelton's fifth grade and Miss Ollie Bigg's sixth and seventh grades sponsored a bird house contest. Prizes were won by Delton Harden and Oscar Scull, 5th grade; Julia Morris, 6th grade; and Wayne Maxwell, 7th grade.

These two clubs meet together every Friday afternoon, alternating in giving the program. Some very interesting and informative programs have been presented. The following are a few of the topics discussed: Wildlife Conservation, The Muskrat, The Beaver, Snakes, Fish, Wild Flowers, The Black Bear, Trees of North Carolina, Marsupials, and the common O'possum. The pupils of these grades are not only learning about our wildlife and the need for its conservation, but are getting valuable experiences in arranging and presenting programs. The meetings are conducted according to parliamentary rules and each child is on a program at least once a month. New officers and program chairmen are elected every three months; thereby affording more children an opportunity for training in leadership.

Mrs. Shelton's fifth grade club visited the Wildlife club in Miss Thornberg's class at the Ashmont school recently. The members of the two clubs exchanged plans and experiences and got many new ideas from each other.

The baseball team of Freedom School played Millside school on April 6 at Millside. They played five innings and the score was 2-2.

A&P Files Formal Answer Denying All Anti-Trust Charges

New York, April 11—The great Atlantic and Pacific Tea company has flatly denied government anti-trust charges in U. S. District court and has termed the civil suit against it an effort to change the nation's "entire economic structure".

In its first formal answer to the complaint seeking dissolution of the 90-year-old food chain, A&P said there "is no justification in fact or in law for the drastic and confiscatory destruction" of the company.

A&P denied in detail the charges the restraint of trade and monopoly brought under the Sherman Act. Defendants John A. Hartford, chairman of the board, George L. Hartford, treasurer, and the A&P asked through counsel that the complaint be dismissed by judicial fiat, new and extremist principles of law which would result in a complete remodeling of the entire economic structure of this country.

A&P termed its expansion a "natural growth," which came almost entirely from within the company and not by mergers or by buying out competing companies.

The answer said the A&P "has made substantial contributions toward revolutionizing" the food business, "with enormous and incalculable savings to the consumer and especially to the worker families."

The effect of the company's activities "has not been to restrain trade or to prevent competition," the answer continued. "On the contrary, its competition has greatly promoted trade and increased competition."

Thus, dissolution of the company, A&P said, "would result in a decrease rather than an increase in competition."

The food chain contended a decree of dissolution is entirely unwarranted because:

"1. A&P is not a monopoly or otherwise illegal in itself.

"2. There is no clear, willful, serious and continuing violation of the anti-trust laws.

"3. Relief, if any were necessary, could be obtained through other means.

"4. The public interest will be harmed and not served thereby and competition would not be increased but diminished."

Scout Council Plans Leaders' Conference

Ray W. Sweazey of Wilmington, Scout Executive for the Cape Fear Area council of the Boy Scouts of America, has announced a training conference for scout leaders in the seven counties of the council to be held at Carolina Beach Friday through Sunday, April 14-16, 1950.

The program will feature outstanding speakers and instructors on the many subjects with which scouts are supposed to become familiar. Also included will be recreation for the scoutmasters, patrol leaders, senior scouts and others in attendance. These men and boys will also participate in a demonstration program on several phases of scout work and will participate in a Scout worship service in the City Auditorium at Carolina Beach Sunday morning. This will be conducted on the theme "A Scout is Reverent," by the Rev. D. C. Webber, pastor of the Carolina Beach Community church.

A & R RR Bus Will Make Last Run Saturday

The Aberdeen & Rockfish Railroad company's passenger, mail and express bus, familiarly and affectionately known for years between Aberdeen and Fayetteville as the "jitney", will leave the service effective Saturday, April 15 and the railroad will no longer provide local passenger service said an announcement this week by H. McC. Blue, vice-president and general manager of the road. The announcement said that the discontinuance of the service had been authorized by the North Carolina Utilities commission.

In his statement Mr. Blue also said: "This company after many years of passenger service regrets very much to discontinue local passenger service, but loss of the mail contract, which the U. S. Post Office department cancelled and placed on the highway to be handled by truck, together with the continued decrease in passenger revenue, compelled us to abandon passenger service."

"So that the patrons along our line of road who do use the service will not be inconvenienced, we have arranged with Queen City Coach company to operate service in this territory. We feel that this service will take care of those who wish to use it.

"We deeply appreciate the business given us by patrons during the many years we have operated."

PTA To Meet Monday Night

The regular monthly meeting of the Hoke-Raeford Parent-Teacher Association will be held in the auditorium at the Raeford Graded school Monday night, Mrs. Neill McFadyen president, has announced.

Mrs. McFadyen said this meeting would be celebrated as "Father's Night," and she urged all parents to attend. Speaker for the occasion will be Harry K. Dorsett, professor of psychology at Meredith college. He will speak on some phase of child psychology.

Mrs. Frances Davis and Miss Betty Davis of Greensboro were week end visitors here.

MR. POOLE RECALLS BIRTH OF HOKE COUNTY ON APRIL 3, 1911

Our venerable predecessor and present regular columnist, D. Scott Poole, came in the office one day last week and said that somebody ought to write something about Hoke County passing its 39th birthday on Monday, April 3. He said he didn't feel much like doing the writing, but proceeded to do some talking on the subject. We thought it would probably interest right many of our readers and also thought maybe it ought to be recorded. All the following is what we made of what Mr. Poole told us.

April 3, 1911 came on Wednesday and the day had been set by the preceding legislature as the day the new county of Hoke was to come into being. Plans were made for ceremonies on the grounds of Raeford Institute, with a speaking and to be followed by dinner on the grounds for all comers. There was plenty of dinner and a good speech by Charles Webb of Asheville, attorney for the delegation which succeeded in getting the Hoke County bill through the General Assembly.

Judge Walter Siler of Pittsboro, also an attorney in the matter was also present. (names furnished by Herbert McLean as Mr. Poole couldn't remember). The weather was quite similar to April 3, 1950, there being high winds and fairly high temperature. A

Women Of Church Attend Presbyterial In Fayetteville

Many Presbyterian women from Raeford and the county attended the meeting of the Women of the Church of Fayetteville Presbytery, North Carolina Synod, at the First Presbyterian Church of Fayetteville on Tuesday and Wednesday of this week.

This, the 61st annual meeting of the group, was called to order by Mrs. H. C. McLaughlin, president.

Among the interesting personages appearing on the program were: Mrs. C. S. Harrington, listed as one of the twelve outstanding Presbyterians of 1949, Rev. B. Frank Hall, Th.D., D.D.; of Pearsall Memorial Church, Wilmington, and Rev. Marshall Woodson, Th.D., president of Flora Macdonald College. Miss Agnes Mae Johnson of Raeford responded to the greeting to Business Women and Miss Elmira Whitley, of Assembly's Training School and Raeford, discussed the birthday objectives for this year.

Mrs. Neill A. McDonald is corresponding secretary, Mrs. Archie Howard is treasurer and Mrs. A. A. McEachern is historian of Fayetteville Presbyterial.

Eight districts were represented comprised of seventy-nine churches.

DRIVE-IN TO OPEN

The 15-A Drive-In Theatre located about three miles east of Raeford will open for the summer season tomorrow night at seven-fifteen. The theatre is now under the management of Howard McNally, manager of the Boulevard Drive-In in Fayetteville and is now equipped with individual speakers.

PRESBYTERIAN MEN TO MEET TUESDAY

The Men of the Raeford Presbyterian church will have their monthly meeting and supper in the basement of the church next Tuesday night at seven o'clock.

Guests in the home of Mrs. W. E. Blue Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Moon and daughters, Sandra and Bettie Blue of Graham and Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Bethea and daughters, Patsy and Mary Louise of Dillon.

CCC Will Erect 15 Bins Here For Storage Of Grain

G. T. Scott, state director of the Production and Marketing administration, has announced that grain storage bins or elevators will be erected in Raeford among 100 such bins to be erected in North Carolina. The bins will be used to store corn acquired under price support programs by Commodity Credit corporation after commercial storage facilities have been exhausted. The bins will be erected by the Commodity corporation.

The other bins will be located as follows: 30 in Elizabeth City, 15 in Smithfield, 15 at Statesville, 15 in Washington, and 10 in Tarboro.

Bids for construction of all these bins will be accepted until 12:00 noon, Friday, April 14, 1950, at the State office of the Production and Marketing administration in Raleigh.

Specifications of the bins are on file at the county PMA office and may be seen there by interested parties. The bins will hold 3300 bushels of grain each.

Deane Is Pleased With Reports On District Campaign

Washington, D. C., April 1—Representative C. B. Deane of the 8th District on Saturday in his office in Washington expressed his sincere personal appreciation for the excellent reports that he has received from throughout the district since he made his announcement as a candidate for election in the Democratic Primary of May 27.

Mr. Deane stated that within the past two weeks he has been in contact with each of the 12 counties of the district and is exceedingly pleased with the responses that have come to him.

The Congressman pointed out that during the past several weeks the Congress has been faced with its heaviest legislative schedule of the year which included Cotton Acreage Allotments, the Marshall Plan, and the several important hearings on the Omnibus Appropriation Bill which comes before the House this week. Mr. Deane feels that the people back home want first of all to know that he is paying close attention to the legislative duties in Congress to which they have elected him.

"These are critical days both at home and abroad," asserts Mr. Deane, "and I am determined to faithfully and conscientiously discharge the responsibilities that now face me as a member of the Congress."

Mr. Deane goes on to say that he expects to wage as active a campaign in every section of the District as his legislative schedule will permit.

Census Head Says Safeguards Used To Assure Secrecy

Residents of this area have been given assurance by W. Lamont Brown, Census District Supervisor, that any information obtained from them by Census takers will be held in strictest confidence.

Brown said that the law which authorizes taking the 17th Decennial Census of the United States expressly forbids Census takers and other employees from communicating to any person not a sworn Census employee any information obtained in the discharge of their official duties.

Severe penalties are provided for violation of the Census law on the part of employees of the Census Bureau. To reveal any such information, he pointed out, would render the Census taker liable, upon conviction, to a fine of as much as \$1,000 and imprisonment. (Continued on Page 4)

All Commissioners And Solicitor Pay To Enter Primary

G. B. Rowland, chairman of the Hoke county board of elections, said yesterday that all members of the county board of commissioners had paid their filing fees and were running for another term. Those filing in the past week were Fulford McMillan, W. M. Thomas and F. K. Watson, Julian Wright and John William Smith had previously filed.

Rowland also said that J. M. Andrews had paid his fee and was running for another term as prosecuting attorney of the county recorder's court.

Only one to file for the county board of education so far is David Lindsay of McLaughlin township, not a member of the present board.

Judge Henry McDiarmid of the recorder's court is a candidate to succeed himself and is opposed by Talmadge O. Moses, farmer and lawyer of the Ashley Heights section.

Harry Greene has filed to go to the General Assembly again. Clerk of the court John Cameron and Sheriff Dave Hodgins are still waiting.

Horner Announces Speaking Series In 8th District

W. E. (Bill) Horner, Sanford publisher seeking the Democratic nomination to congress from the Eighth Congressional District, today announced a list of six speaking engagements which will be highlighted by a radio address to voters Tuesday, April 18, over the first district-wide radio hook-up in the history of the Eighth District.

The broadcast will be made from 6:15 to 6:30 next Tuesday evening and will be carried over 10 radio stations, located in Sanford, Southern Pines, Laurinburg, Monroe, Rockingham, Lexington, Thomasville, North Wilkesboro and Wadesboro.

Next Monday night Mr. Horner will speak to the Fair Grove Lions club which is scheduled to meet in the Fair Grove Methodist church, near Thomasville, at 7 o'clock. Immediately after the Lions club address, Mr. Horner also will speak to a political meeting which is to be held at 8 o'clock, same night, in the Pilot school, also located near Thomasville. Music for this and all other public addresses will be furnished by Corbett Bennett and his Mountain Boys.

Wednesday, April 20, Candidate Horner will appear at the Ronda school, Wilkes county, for an address at 8 o'clock that night.

Thursday night, April 20, Horner will address his second political gathering in Wilkes county within two days when he speaks to voters attending a meeting at Miller's Creek school at 8 o'clock.

Publisher Horner will wind up his speaking engagements for next week with an address Friday night, April 21, at Grimes school at Er-langer, Davidson county, at 8 o'clock.

Miss Mildred Oliver of Pine Level is visiting in the home of her sister, Mrs. Walter Baker. Miss Oliver and Mrs. Baker spent a few days last week in Winston-Salem with Mr. and Mrs. Riley Jordan.

Trial Of Liquor Cases Continued In Recorder's Court

Cases involving liquor charges against E. O. "Blondy" Wilson, operator of Bill's Club and H. L. McMinis, operator of the Farmer's Restaurant, were both postponed for one week in Recorder's court Tuesday. Trial of Clay Lilly Raeford white man, on charges of driving a car under the influence of liquor and violating the prohibition laws was also postponed for one week by Judge Henry McDiarmid.

Malachi Evans, colored, was found guilty of careless and reckless driving, having improper brakes and damage to personal property. It appeared that he hit the car of Sellers Baker and damaged it. Sentence was 90 days to be suspended on payment of fine of \$25 and the costs. Defendant appealed to Superior court and posted \$200 bond.

Ozell Beatty, colored, got 60 days suspended on payment of the costs for careless and reckless driving and failing to stop when signaled. He also paid \$25 and the costs for having no driver's license.

D. L. Dobson, white soldier, paid \$10 and the costs for passing on a curve. Claude L. Stokes, also a white soldier, paid \$10 and the costs for passing in the face of oncoming traffic.

Thomas Ed Galbraith, colored, was charged with being drunk and disorderly and violating the prohibition laws. He failed to appear and his bond of \$30 was forfeited.

Speeders paying \$10 and the costs or forfeiting \$25 bonds included Libby Wilson, colored, and Max Abrams, Gordon Hughes, W. T. Fullerton and Carl Rose, all white.

The State took a nol pro on payment of the costs in the case in which John Henry Johnson, colored, was charged with assaulting Lee McLaughlin.

William D. Prince, white of the Army, and Leonard Bratcher, colored, each paid \$10 and the costs for having improper brakes.

Rockfish - Wayside Ruritan Club Is Organized

The eighteenth Ruritan Club in the Cape Fear District was formed recently when the Hoke Ruritan Club was organized in the Rockfish and Wayside Communities. This is the first Ruritan Club organized in Hoke County.

Officers chosen were: Vernon E. Parson, president; Douglas Monroe, vice-president; T. C. Jones, secretary; J. D. Matlock, treasurer; Rev. D. E. Miller, chaplain; Steve Little, sergeant-at-arms; C. M. Koonce, Sam Overton and David Lindsay, directors.

Sponsored by the Seventy-First Ruritan Club, the Hoke Club was the fourth to be organized this year under the direction of Clifton A. McClelland, Chairman of Expansion for the Cape Fear District. Assisting in the organization were District Governor Charlie E. Jones, Sr. and Malcolm Gillis, president of Seventy-First organization and also Winston McDaniel of the Eastover Club. The Hoke Club will meet the first Wednesday of each month. The official charter of Ruritan National will be presented at a "Charter Night" banquet to be held April 19, and the charter roster will be held open until April 15.

Misses Janice and Jean Blue of Raleigh and Mrs. R. L. Rogers of Bradenton, Florida were week end guests in the home of their sister, Mrs. William McFadyen. Mrs. McFadyen accompanied them to Raleigh Sunday for a visit.

Don't Forget
You've got to
REGISTER
to Vote May 27