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YOUR SCHOOL NEWS

By K. A. MacDonald

Hoke, Richmond, and Scotland county Home Economics Teachers held their September meeting in the Home Ec. Department at Ellerbe High school on Tuesday, Sept. 12. Miss Mary Hines Leonard, Supervisor of Home Economics Education, of the State Department met with the group.

The meeting was called to order by Miss Hefner of Hoke County High, chairman of the group; minutes of the last meeting were read by the secretary, Mrs. Comer of the Ellerbe Department.

Subject for discussion was Adult Education in Home Economics. The group also started work on the Future Homemaker's Rally to be held in the early fall.

The Professional study and work program for the teaching force of Hoke County is continuing in the afternoons this week and will go through next week.

Last Friday Mr. Gibson had charge of the meeting which was on "Points of a Good Teacher." Monday Miss Watson presented guidance to the teachers of grades 8-12. At the same time a discussion on Enrichment of the Curriculum for grades 1-7 was led by K. A. MacDonald.

Yesterday Mr. Faircloth and Mr. Gibson presented Physical Education and Health with a teaching film on Personal Development to the teachers 1-12. Tomorrow Miss Shepherd will present Remedial Reading to the entire group.

Yesterday a district janitors school was held here by C. W. Blanchard, Director Division of Operation of Plant, State Board of Education. In addition to janitors, principals and superintendents of seven counties and their city administrative units met here for an all day session, studying the best ways to operate the school plants in an efficient, sanitary and economical manner.

Dr. J. W. Wilcox, Mrs. Ethel M. Giles, Mrs. E. B. Campbell, Mrs. Parks, Miss Lamb of the State Board of Health and K. A. MacDonald attended a group meeting on the School-Health Program held in Chapel Hill Tuesday. Mrs. C. D. Osment and Miss Marie Pfunder attended a similar meeting held in Fayetteville yesterday.

B&PW Club Hears Talk On Germany

The Raeford Business and Professional Women's club held their regular monthly meeting on Tuesday evening. They met at Elk Restaurant for a delicious steak supper, after which they went around to the Lions Den for a business meeting. Mrs. Ed Willis, president, presided over the meeting. Miss Grace Carter, Mrs. L. W. Turner and Misses Willa and Betty McFadyen were welcomed as new members. Plans were discussed for the district fall meeting to be held in Raeford October 15, and several members made plans to attend the Charter Night meeting of the Dunn club October 4. Mrs. W. R. Barrington and Mrs. Carlton Niven were appointed co-chairman of the Hostess Committee. They will present names of newcomers in town at each meeting and several members of the club will visit these folks during the month.

Miss Mary Peele, chairman of the International Relationship committee, presented Mrs. Paula Fyles of Munich, Germany, who spoke to the club. In a very interesting manner Mrs. Fyles told of the living conditions in her country and answered questions in an open discussion.

No Cotton Quotas In '51 Expected Because Of War

Washington, Sept. 19—Cotton industry leaders told government officials today that unlimited production would be necessary next year to meet demand for the staple brought on by the Korean war.

An estimated requirement of 16,800,000 bales in 1951, an increase of 73 per cent over the present year's crop, was recommended by the National Cotton Council's mobilization committee.

Disclosing its views after a closed door meeting with munitions board, agriculture department and other government officials the cotton committee said there is little doubt but what marketing quotas will be suspended on the 1951 cotton crop.

Spokesman for the group was Council President Harold A. Young of North Little Rock, Ark.

"When you consider the present carry over of cotton and the prospective demand," he told newsmen after the conference, "there can't be any question but what production controls will have to be lifted next year."

The agriculture department recently estimated the 1950 cotton yield at 9,882,000 bales of 500 pounds each. Young estimated the yield at 9,700,000 "running" bales, a classification which includes bales which sometimes run both above and below the 500 pound figure, weighed at the gin.

The 1950 crop is being harvested from a little over 19 million acres.

In order to produce the country's estimated requirement of 16,800,000 bales of approximately 500 pounds each nearly 30 million acres will have to be planted in 1951, Young said.

"If we are to meet the needs of our nation, for both domestic consumption and exports," he continued, "the farmer must be assured of sufficient planting seed, fertilizer, insecticides, farm machinery and labor."

"The ginners, warehouseman and textile mill and cottonseed oil mill must have adequate labor forces and the supplies and equipment necessary to operate."

Federal officials who attended the meeting did not make any commitments, Young said, but agreed carefully to consider all the facts brought out in the discussion.

Secretary of Agriculture Brannan, among those present at the hotel-room conference, must announce by October 15 whether there will be cotton marketing quotas and acreage allotments.

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 most 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.

Parker's Methodist, Wednesday, September 27, noon and evening.

Sandy Grove Methodist, Thursday, September 28, noon.

Ephesus Baptist, Wednesday, October 4.

Lumber Bridge Presbyterian, Wednesday, October 4, noon.

Raeford Methodist, Thursday, October 5, noon and evening.

Shiloh Presbyterian, Thursday, October 12, evening.

Tabernacle Baptist, Rockfish, Thursday, October 12, noon and evening.

Bethel Presbyterian, Thursday, October 19, noon.

Polio Hits 3 Times In Week; 1 School Closed

Three Hoke county children were taken to hospitals in the past week with infantile paralysis and school officials closed the Ashemont school yesterday with tentative plans to reopen it next Monday. There officials are to meet Sunday with health department officials to decide definitely about this.

Last Thursday Jerome Pickler, 17-year-old son and only child of Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Pickler, was taken to Duke hospital in a critical condition with the disease. Reports yesterday from the hospital were that his condition is still critical but that he appears to be holding his own.

On Tuesday Jack Marckell, 18-year-old son of Mrs. Mee Marckell of McCain was taken to Rex Hospital with what was diagnosed as polio, and on Wednesday Nancy Cloer, 11-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Cloer, also of McCain, was also taken to Rex with polio.

These three cases brought to seven the number in this county this summer.

Dr. J. W. Wilcox, director of the county health department, this week urged all parents to heed the following precautions issued by the National Polio Foundation:

1. Call a doctor immediately for headaches, nausea, sore throat, upset stomach, muscle soreness or stiffness, or unexplained fever.
2. Avoid new contacts.
3. Don't get tired. Strenuous play, late and irregular hours are invitations to attack by polio.
4. Avoid chilling.
5. Eat plenty of nourishing food and drink plenty of milk, water and fruit juices.
6. Keep clean and keep flies and other insects away from food.

Last Rites For Miss McLaughlin In Wagram Saturday

Funeral services for Miss Mary N. McLaughlin were held Saturday morning at Montpelier Presbyterian church at Wagram with the pastor, the Rev. W. K. Thompson, Dr. Stoffel, of Maxton and Dr. S. H. Fulton of Laurinburg, conducting the rites. The burial service was at Spring Hill cemetery near Wagram.

Miss McLaughlin died Thursday afternoon, September 14, at the Scotland County Memorial hospital after an illness of about three weeks.

Miss McLaughlin was born April 21, 1878, at the "Goose Pond," the McLaughlin home, near Wagram, and was the fourth child of Benjamin Lee McLaughlin and Effie Jane Johnson. She was railway agent for the Aberdeen & Rockfish railroad at Wagram and following that was agent for the Laurinburg and Southern for 22 years, retiring in 1943. She worked in Raeford for the L & S and had many friends here.

Survivors are one brother, four sisters and several nieces and nephews.

Tobacco Markets Taking Holiday

Tobacco markets in the entire flue-cured area were set to close for a holiday of indefinite length after selling was over yesterday, according to information from the Bright Belt Warehouse association which met in Raleigh the first of the week. Next Monday the board of governors of the association will meet to set the reopening date and the length of selling time on the markets. The action was taken to relieve crowded redrying facilities and congested warehouses.

Representatives of the North Carolina State Grange and the North Carolina Farm Bureau concurred at the meeting in approving the holiday motion. Supporters of the holiday motion contended that the move would permit a return of full buying power to the markets and restore full competitive bidding.

Capital Reporter

Scott Summers

Raleigh, N. C., Sep. 18—The Edwin Gill appointment as Collector of Internal Revenue for North Carolina — predicted by CAPITAL REPORTER three weeks ago—brought a lot of comment from the experts. Some tried to make it look as though President Truman was "agin" the Scott administration and National Committeeman Jonathan Daniels. Some said Governor Scott didn't know anything about it. Fact is, the Governor knew about it and did not try to stop it, despite the fact that he invited Gill, a Charlie Johnson for governor man, to quit his job as State revenue commissioner. The job for Gill was engineered by some Washington smoothies, this corner hears, and they weren't Senators.

The appointment of Charlie Johnson, ex-state treasurer and opponent of Scott in the gubernatorial race, as customs collector at Wilmington caused a lot of raised eyebrows. He was named by Senator Hoey, never a bosom buddy of the Governor's, and objection by Scott could have caused a further rift in the Democratic party in the State—or at least added fuel to the flames.

Some folks were surprised that Johnson would accept the job, which reportedly pays \$6,400 per year to start. Reports from Charlotte indicate:

1. That Johnson was not too happy in his job there, despite a salary estimated at anywhere from \$10 to \$15 thousand per year.

2. That Johnson's boss and the former State treasurer were not exactly pals.

That other Charlotte bankers did not cotton to the addition of Johnson to their ranks.

The new job will give Johnson plenty of leisure time and he is expected to live on his farm, some 12 miles from Wilmington. The new job should hamper him politically, since technically his hands will be supposedly tied by the Hatch Act. That's the law prohibiting federal employees from messing around in politics, it says.

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Well, sir, Tar Heel bankers reacted like a heifer jabbed with a pitchfork. The North Carolina Bankers Association has called a meeting of "representative agriculture-minded bankers." They'll meet here in Raleigh October 17 with State Commissioner of Banks Gurney P. Hood, C. B. Ratchford of the N. C. State College Extension.

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"Not Guilty" Is Verdict As To Bill Wright

McDiarmid Acquits Him On Careless & Reckless Charge In Recorder's Court Tues.

Bill Wright said he did not see the car driven by James W. Mann until he looked to his right and saw it wrecked near the Fayetteville road about a block from Main street in Raeford, and that this sight so startled him that he hit his brakes and wrecked his own car off the other side of the highway. Judge Henry McDiarmid apparently believed this in Recorder's court Tuesday, for he found Wright not guilty on a charge of careless and reckless driving. Wright was charged by Raeford Policeman Cook as a result of both Wright's and Mann's cars being wrecked here before day on the morning of June 2, in a wreck in which occupants of the other car said Wright chased them and bumped them several times, finally causing their driver to lose control.

Wright said he could not say that he had ever seen the other car or its occupants before, that he had almost been run off the road about a mile farther toward Fayetteville, but that he was not even sure that it was Mann's car which had done it. Two occupants of the Mann car testified that they had seen and felt Wright bump the back of their car four times with his car between his "place" and the wreck, the fourth bump causing the wreck. Policeman Cook said in effect that he saw, from the street near the hotel, two cars coming toward him at a high rate of speed and that they appeared to be side by side momentarily just before they both wrecked. Wright, only witness in his defense, said he did not get close to another car after being almost run off the road some distance farther from town.

Judge McDiarmid found him not guilty of careless and reckless driving, but guilty of speeding in a 35-mile speed zone. The judge fined Wright \$25 and the costs for this. James W. Mann, driver of the other car in this affair, was found guilty of speeding and fined \$25 and the costs. He appealed to Superior court.

P. J. Thompson, colored, pled guilty of driving drunk and got 4 months suspended on payment of \$100 and the costs. He was found guilty of temporary larceny of a truck belonging to I. J. Kinlaw and got three months suspended on payment of the costs and \$75 to Kinlaw for damages. He works for Kinlaw and Kinlaw indicted him and paid him out.

Belton Beasley, Jr., white, was found not guilty of driving drunk. Fred Douglas Campbell and Willie James Cunningham, both colored, each paid \$10 and the costs for having improper brakes and tail light on his car.

H. L. Hendrix and wife, Mattie Hendrix, white, were charged with giving a warranty deed to property in which they only had a life interest to J. W. Saunders with intent to defraud him. Probably cause was found and the two were held for Superior court. \$400 bond was continued.

Leroy Brunson, colored, pled guilty of disposing of property mortgaged to C. J. Benner and had to pay the costs and \$29.50 to Benner. Hattie Gray and Viola Torrance, both colored, were charged with the same offense by Benner, but were found not guilty as they had the property.

Eddie Roper, colored, pled guilty of allowing his hogs to run out and eat Jim McLaughlin's corn. He had to pay the costs and \$7.50 to McLaughlin for the corn.

Clemmie Miller, colored woman caught by the sheriff's department last week with seven jars of white lightning, was found guilty of having it illegally for

CITIZENS MEETING PLANNED FOR NEXT TUESDAY NIGHT

Hope Mills Takes Hoke High, 6-0 Here Friday P. M.

Coach Haywood Faircloth's Hoke high Bucks were a little disappointing to local fans and doubtless to their coach in their opening game here last Friday night with Hope Mills which the visitors won, 6-0, on a pass interception on the Bucks 10-yard line.

The local defense looked pretty good for most of the game as they held the visitors to 50 yards gained on the ground. The Hoke offense, however, was not so good, as they were in scoring position two times and lost the ball on downs each time.

This week the Bucks go to Hamlet where they take on a Class AA team Friday night. Hamlet is expected to be the strongest team on the Hoke High schedule this year, as they are usually contenders in the higher conference.

Local coaches have spent this week working on the elimination of the errors that caused the loss last Friday night and a better showing is expected in Hamlet, although the opposition is stronger.

Commission To Ask For Paving Bids Here On Tuesday

The State Highway Commission will ask for bids on three new road projects in Hoke County on September 26.

One project calls for surfacing on 1.45 miles of Donaldson Avenue, Campus Avenue, West Edenboro Street, West Elwood Avenue, Stewart Street, Marnolia Street from US 15-A to NC 211 and Magnolia Street north from NC 211 in Raeford. Bid received on this project advertised in the August letting was rejected.

A second project involves the hard-surfacing of 12.5 miles from US 15 to Ashemont School for 5.8 miles and from NC 211 at Timberland via Five Points to Plank Road for 6.7 miles.

The third calls for hard-surfacing on 7.3 miles on Old Carthage Road from NC 211 to the Robeson County line for 5.8 miles and from Duffie Road to the Robeson County line for 1.5 miles.

The last two projects will be financed under the \$200-million secondary road program.

Specifications also have been advertised on 42 other road jobs throughout the state, many of them financed by the \$200-million bond issue program. If satisfactory bids are received, the State Highway Commission will award contracts for the 45 projects at its next regular meeting on September 29.

Almost 3,000 miles of road already have been paved under the Highway Commission's accelerated roadbuilding program which began last summer. Because of a mild winter and the availability of labor and materials, the roadbuilding program has progressed more rapidly than expected, according to Dr. Henry W. Jordan, highway chairman. If good weather holds up, Dr. Jordan says more roads will be paved during 1950 than during any previous year in the history of the State Highway Commission.

J. O. VEASEY ILL

J. O. Veasey was taken to a Fayetteville hospital Saturday where he is seriously ill, having possibly suffered a cerebral hemorrhage.

Adrian B. McRae, 54, died in a Lumberton hospital Tuesday of injuries suffered in a wreck Monday afternoon. He was a brother of Dr. Walter McRae of Red Springs and was a partner in the Carolina tobacco warehouse in Lumberton.

All County Citizens, And Interested Persons Invited To Attend

R. B. Lewis, president of the Raeford chamber of commerce, announced this week that the chamber was inviting all its members and all other citizens interested in the future of the community and county to attend a meeting at the courthouse next Tuesday night at eight o'clock.

He said the meeting was being called by the chamber in response to a plea by the Robbins Mills (N. C.) Inc. for more housing for the employees they expect to have here after their new mill is complete, supposedly by next April.

The chamber of commerce has investigated various methods of providing large-scale housing as have been used in other communities and has talked with lending agencies, builders, prefabricated house manufacturers, the FHA, and others and the job remaining is to arrive at a method of getting the housing with the means at hand in Raeford.

As the whole mill proposition is expected to have a good effect on property values in Raeford and over the county, a good turnout at the meeting is hoped for and expected.

Ruritan Club Has Interesting Meeting

The Hoke Ruritan Club held its regular monthly meeting on Wednesday evening, Sept. 13. The meeting was called to order by the president, Vernon Parsons, after which the club enjoyed a fine supper, prepared and served by the ladies of Pittman Grove church. The club considered this a very outstanding meeting. Reports were heard from the several committees.

A motion was made and carried that the club entertain the Rockfish Boy Scout troop at the next meeting, at which time the Woodmen of the World Camp No. 118 of Raeford, will present the Scouts with an American Flag. A committee was appointed to look after the improvement of the roads and playgrounds in and around the school. The speaker of the evening was Mr. Griffin, a member of the North Carolina safety division, who made a very interesting talk on Highway safety, and laws relative to school bus operations.

Robbins Workers Get 8-Cent Pay Increase

William P. Saunders, president of Robbins Mills (N. C.) Inc., with plants in North Carolina and Virginia, announced last week that effective Monday, September 11, the wages of all their employees had been increased eight cents an hour.

The Robbins pay increase is in line with the firm's long-standing policy of providing top wages with excellent working conditions for its employees.

Burlington Mills and other textile firms in North Carolina also announced last week that they were also giving their employees an eight-cent raise effective September 18.

WAREHOUSEMAN DIES AS RESULT OF WRECK

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