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YOUR SCHOOL NEWS

By K. A. MacDonald

Mrs. J. C. McLean returned to work at Hoke High yesterday after having been out on leave since the death of her husband early in the month. Mrs. Ed McNeill has been substituting for her.

A representative of the publishers of the basal reading texts used in the schools of N. C. will be in Hoke County tomorrow to give a demonstration of the best techniques in the use of these texts. She will be at the Bowmore school to demonstrate for the colored teachers at 10:00 a. m. and at the Raeford Graded school at 1:00 p. m. She will be accompanied here by a representative of the State Department of Public Instruction.

William P. Duff, Jr. of the Division of Schoolhouse Planning and Surveys will be here Friday, inspecting the school buildings that have been completed so far in the State building program.

All schools are making a strenuous effort to raise every cent possible for the March of Dimes. At present the Raeford Graded school is leading in the amount collected. We give their collections by rooms as follows: Mrs. McPhaul's \$15.94, Mrs. Turner's \$18.57, Mrs. Freeman's \$13.30, Mrs. Brown's \$27.40, Mrs. Hardesty's \$29.29, Miss Currie's \$12.20, Mrs. Robinson's \$12.64, Miss Watt's \$28.45, Mrs. Roberts' \$21.55, Mrs. Shelton's \$35.93, Mrs. Stephens' \$19.55, Miss Little's \$18.73, Miss Higgs' \$36.45, Mrs. Furlington's \$50.45. Total for the Graded School \$338.45. We think this is a splendid record. We hope other schools will do equally as well in proportion to their membership.

Tuesday night Stonewall township put on a barbecue supper in the Mildouson lunch room for the March of Dimes. The school was delighted to have its facilities used for such a good cause.

COLORED NEWS

Considering the weather, the attendance in most of the colored and Indian schools was good during the fourth month. The total enrollment, membership and percentage in attendance for the month is given below. White Oak 105, 98, 93; Peachmont 49, 44, 92; McFarland 43, 29, 75.5; Lilly's Chapel 45, 45, 97; Rockfish Col. 29, 25, 83; Laurel Hill 143, 141, 97; Frye's Mission 60, 58, 96; Burlington 177, 165, 93; New Hope 62, 57, 89; Freedom 33, 79, 93; Millside 68, 65, 92; Friendship 53, 47, 96; Bowmore 186, 175, 93; Shady Grove 78, 71, 94; Buffalo 72, 64, 84; Bridges Grove 46, 38, 92; Timberland 48, 37, 95; Piney Bay 44, 38, 92; Upchurch Elem. 685, 653, 94; Upchurch High 325, 302, 95.

The Bowmore school is sponsoring the Southern Pines colored school high school band at the school next Wednesday night at 7:30 for the benefit of the March of Dimes. We hope they have a good crowd to hear this outstanding band.

On next Monday a delegation of prospective NFA members come to the Upchurch school for the purpose of organizing an NFA Chapter at Proctorville and so the prospective members may be initiated into the new chapter.

On February 13 ten schools in this area will meet at Upchurch for a Contest in shop work. The State Supervisor of Vocational Agriculture will be here for the contest. Upchurch was chosen for the site of the contest on account of its good facilities.

At the same time Sanford, Southern Pines and Laurinburg will send the best artisans in their Veterans bricklaying classes to

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GINNERS REPORT ON 1950 COTTON CROP

The Bureau of the Census makes the following report on cotton ginned from the 1950 crop up to January 15:

	1950	1949
Alabama	573,848	851,438
Arizona	446,852	516,095
Arkansas	1,051,276	1,584,625
California	893,823	1,252,866
Florida	8,021	9,312
Georgia	486,184	608,849
Illinois	1,038	2,293
Kentucky	4,332	8,990
Louisiana	421,939	631,285
Mississippi	1,294,969	1,455,129
Missouri	240,565	462,690
New Mexico	176,039	254,148
North Carolina	189,773	485,701
Oklahoma	237,605	572,352
South Carolina	411,920	563,079
Tennessee	394,741	618,839
Texas	2,841,864	5,740,709
Virginia	3,558	17,267
Total for U.S.	9,673,247	15,635,667

Consumption, Stocks, Imports, and Exports

Cotton consumed during the month of December, 1950, amounted to 784,057 bales. Cotton on hand in consuming establishments on December 30, was 1,998,850 bales, and in public storage and at compresses 6,663,560 bales. The number of active consuming cotton spindles for the month was 20,730,000. The total imports for the month of November, 1950, were 9,118 bales and the exports of domestic cotton, excludinglinters, were 371,870 bales.

Plant Disease Sleuths On Alert For Tobacco Menace

Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 1.—A staff of federal "sleuths" will be on the alert this month throughout sections of the Carolinas, Virginia, and Tennessee in an attempt to head off a "saboteur" that threatens to seriously cripple the multi-million-dollar tobacco industry.

The "saboteur" is a disease known as blue mold and the "sleuths" are members of a plant disease warning service operated by the U. S. Department of Agriculture.

Last year, following an exceptionally warm January, blue mold was first discovered in this area in Marion County, S. C., on February 14—a good month ahead of its normal appearance. Warnings were flashed to growers throughout the area, so plant beds might be protected against onslaughts of the disease, which is spread by air-borne spores. Even so, the blue mold wave spread so swiftly that plant stands were said to average only about 60 per cent of normal and a serious shortage of plants developed at the time of transplanting into fields.

Approved chemical fungicides should be sprayed or dusted on beds when plants are the size of a dime, with repeated applications every 10 to 14 days, in order to protect them with a coating that will ward off blue mold fungi, according to Howard R. Carriss, extension plant pathologist of North Carolina State College here. Growers who have followed such a program, starting chemical applications before appearance of blue mold in their sections and continuing until planting time, have been able to more than double the number of healthy plants from the same sized bed, he declared.

"Results over a number of years now prove the tobacco grower can successfully use ferbam or zineb for blue mold control and assure healthy plants in a section where the disease wipes out unprotected plant beds," Mr. Carriss said. "Comparative costs of growing enough plants for 10 acres, both with and without this chemical protection, show the grower who applies fungicides can save around \$120 in an ordinary year through successfully producing his plant needs on smaller beds."

The chemicals referred to are

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UNC Comptroller Kiwanis Speaker For Ladies Night

Lewis Upchurch Gets Cup For "Man of Year" Award Made Annually By Club

Some 120 members of the Raeford Kiwanis club, ladies and other guests heard University of North Carolina Comptroller W. D. Carmichael speak and saw Lewis Upchurch get the club's "Man of the Year" award at the Hoke county high school luncheon last Thursday night at the club's annual Ladies Night. Tom Cameron welcomed the ladies on behalf of the club.

The group enjoyed a delicious dinner of turkey with all the trimmings prepared and served by Mrs. Luy Smith and her staff. Arrangements were handled by Peter McLean.

Perfect attendance awards were presented to Marion Gatlin for seven years, K. A. MacDonald, A. H. McPhaul and N. A. McDonald for five years and to Younger Snead, T. N. McLaughlin, C. L. Thomas and Jim Tillman for one year.

The "Man of the Year" award, a beautiful silver loving cup presented each year by the club to the outstanding citizen in the community was presented by Dr. M. R. Smith to Lewis Upchurch. In making the presentation Dr. Smith told of the varied activities of Upchurch during the past year, mentioning his church and Sunday School work, his Boy Scout work, his work as county March of Dimes chairman last year, and his activities in the National Cotton council and the North Carolina Seed crushers association. He is to keep the large cup for one year and was also given a small replica to keep permanently. The cup was first presented in 1950 when Crawford Thomas was the winner. The committee making the selection this year consisted of Dr. Smith, Israel Mann and Marion Gatlin.

Mr. Carmichael was presented by Jake Austin, program chairman, and made a very interesting and informative address, mixing a considerable amount of humor with his serious and sensible remarks. He discussed at some length the aims of the University to produce health, wealth and happiness for the people of the state.

A humorous skit "The Thing," was staged by Tommie Upchurch with Jim Lentz as model and Robert Gatlin as auctioneer which produced several dollars for the March of Dimes.

The group was entertained by the High school sextette under the direction and with the accompaniment of Miss Doris Bradley. The sextette which sang three selections, consisted of Iris Thomas, Irene Andrews, Betty Jane Ashburn, Florence Cameron, Sue Gullledge and Joan Sinclair.

Ruritan Club Has Meeting Monday

Hoke Ruritan Club met in called session on Monday evening, January 29, at Rockfish School. The purpose of the meeting was for a report from the delegates to the Ruritan National Convention at Roanoke, Virginia, held on January 22-23. N. A. McKeithan, T. C. Jones and C. W. Pittman were delegates to the convention. A very interesting report of the trip was given.

B. B. Cole, president of the club, appointed T. C. Jones to present the newly arrived charter to Troop 58, Boy Scouts of America. The Troop Committee were presented with Scout emblems in the form of lapel buttons. There was also a discussion of planning the year's work for the several committees.

Insurance Head Changes Hail Rates

Commissioner of Insurance Waldo C. Cheek announced approval today of the filing by the North Carolina Fire Insurance Rating Bureau of proposed changes in the rates, rules and forms for crop-hail insurance for the 1951 growing season. The changes approved in the hail rates for tobacco will increase the rates in thirteen counties, and decrease the rates in eighteen counties. The rate in this county remains the same. The hail rates for cotton will be decreased in Hoke and all but two counties. Based on the premiums written in 1950 these changes will increase the cost of this type of insurance approximately \$40,000 annually.

The overall experience indicates that a much larger increase would have been proper, but it was impossible to do so due to the concentration of losses in 1950 in a small area of the state. The losses paid by insurance companies in five adjoining counties totalled \$1,131,500 which was 47% of all losses paid last year.

The Commissioner also stated that the rule which heretofore limited the amount of insurance per acre has been discontinued. The new rule will only provide that the total insurance in any crop shall not exceed the actual value of the crop.

Mrs. Whitley's Sister Buried In Wingate

Mrs. J. B. Bass of Wingate, died Thursday morning in the hospital at Monroe. She had been sick for about a year. She had lived in Wingate most of her life but had been in the Monroe hospital for six months and her family had moved there to be near her. She was a sister of Mrs. H. W. B. Whitley of Raeford.

Funeral was conducted at Baptist church in Wingate Friday afternoon and burial was in the Wingate cemetery. Mr. and Mrs. Whitley attended the services.

Hoke Cage Teams Win 3; Lyda Williams Breaks Scoring Mark

The Hoke high basketball teams had a fairly good week with the girls winning both their games and the boys winning one of two during the week.

On Friday night in Red Springs the girls were hot as they piled up an impressive 53 points to 34 for Red Springs. Lyda Williams accounted for 44 of the Hoke markers as the girls got their 12th win in 13 starts. Lyda Williams tied the old record set here by Marian Lewis in 1948 when she got 44 points in a game. Sara Cole got 7 and Betty Jane Ashburn 2 to account for the other nine points.

The boys dropped their tilt with the Red Springs boys 29 to 47. Billy Lester scored 15 points and C. J. Benner 4 and were high for the locals.

In conference games with Stedman here Tuesday night the locals took both games of a doubleheader. The girls won their game 63 to 44 and Lyda Williams couldn't miss as she scored 53 points to break the record of 44 points in a game which she had tied last week in Red Springs. She was out the last four minutes of the game. Sara Cole got 8 points and Peggy Thomas 2 as the entire squad saw action. For the season the girls have scored 649 points to 497 for their opponents.

The boys won their contest in a close one, 41 to 37. The score was close the whole game. This game brought their season record to nine wins to five losses, three in the Hoke - Cumberland league. Bobby Lundy led the Bucks with 15 points, followed by Billy Lester with 11. Culbreth and Parker looked good on defense.

Offenses including Drinking Stealing, Traffic Violations, Liquor Making, Bad Checks

Judge Henry McDiarmid found 26 cases on docket for trial in Hoke county recorder's court Tuesday morning as a result of not having court last week due to Superior court.

Burt Hankins, colored was charged with disposing of funds he received while driving a taxi for some one else and giving a bad check. His cases were continued until February 13.

James Edwards and Stanley Adcox, white, were each charged with assault with a deadly weapon as a result of an altercation with knives that they were allegedly involved in. Trial was postponed until next week. Adcox entered plea of guilty of being drunk and disorderly in another case and paid \$10 and the costs.

The cases in which Jennings Maulsby, white, was charged with being drunk and disorderly and James Irvin McIntyre, white, with driving drunk and with no driver's license were also continued for one week. The case in which Bethune Maulsby was charged with being drunk and disorderly on appeal from J. P. court was continued for one week as Maulsby was considering withdrawal of his appeal.

W. C. Benton, white, was charged in two cases with giving bad checks for \$86.85 and \$67.36, respectively. He entered plea of guilty and got 90 days in each case suspended on payment of the costs and payment of the checks by May 1. He paid the costs and posted \$300 bond for his appearance May 1.

Weldon McCrimmon, colored, charged with stealing some pipe from Clyde Upchurch. He was found guilty and sentenced to 30 days on the roads to be suspended on payment of the costs and \$25 to Upchurch. He appealed and posted \$100 bond.

Libby Wilson, colored, was found guilty of speeding 85 miles an hour, careless and reckless driving resulting in a wreck and leaving the scene of the wreck without offering assistance. He got two years on the roads to be suspended on payment of \$100 and the costs and two years good behavior and had his driver's license revoked for 12 months.

Christopher Raffoler, white pleaded guilty of driving drunk and careless and reckless driving resulting in a wreck. He was taxed \$125 fine, costs of court and \$55 damages to W. M. Thomas.

Buddy Melvin, colored, was found guilty of violating the prohibition laws by operating a still. He got six months to be suspended on payment of \$50 and the costs. He appealed and posted a bond of \$100.

Wilmer Junior Bowen, white, was found guilty of driving drunk. He got 90 days on the roads to be suspended on payment of \$100 and the costs. He appealed and posted \$100 bond.

For driving with expired driver's licenses or no driver's licenses the following paid \$25 and the costs: George Smith, Jim Patterson and James Borden, all colored, and Leslie Malpass Orr, white. John W. McLaurin, colored, was charged with no license, but he turned up with the license and the case was dropped.

Addie Mae Kershaw, colored, was sent to jail for 30 days for being drunk and disorderly. Sentence was to be suspended on payment of the costs but she is still in jail.

Minor traffic violators — bad brakes or lights — paying \$10 and the costs included Neill Richard Blue, William McGregor, and Willie McNeill, all colored. Speeders paying the same were James Gay and Terry Pickering, both white.

Recorder Hears 26 Cases Tuesday Six Continued

Since the Hoke County Library Bookmobile began operating in November 2074 books have been circulated. We are off to a good start, as the circulation increases on every trip, and as the weather gets warmer more people will be able to meet the bookmobile for books.

There are calls for certain books that are not on the bookmobile as yet, but new books are coming in all the time, so keep requesting, and the books will be carried out as soon as possible. The 1951 approved list of titles for the Home Demonstration Club members is out and many of these are on the bookmobile now, and others have been ordered.

There are many requests for Bible story books among people who are poor readers. The Negroes in the county are being served by the bookmobile, and are really taking advantage of the opportunity to read. Mrs. Margaret Sinclair is librarian on the bookmobile, and she says it is a wonderful experience to talk with the people of both races in all parts of the county, and that it makes you want to begin again learning the poem taught in school, "I love my county, and I'll boost my county, etc."

If you wish the bookmobile to stop nearer your home please contact Mrs. Sinclair, Mrs. Ina P. Bethune, county librarian or Mrs. J. M. Andrews, chairman of the Hoke County Library Board of Trustees. With the co-operation (Continued on Page 4)

METHODIST MEN HAVE RED SPRINGS GUESTS

The Men's Bible class of the Raeford Methodist church entertained the same class from the Red Springs Methodist church in the basement of the local church last Friday night. They were served a delicious chicken supper by the Methodist ladies.

The affair was the result of a three-months attendance contest which the two classes had just finished and which Red Springs men won. The local men went to Red Springs as the result of a previous contest. These contests have helped Sunday school attendance considerably and there were over 100 men present.

Speaker was Joe Stephenson, tobacco warehouseman of Fayetteville and Fuquay Springs. He was introduced by Tommie Upchurch and made an inspiring address on "Christian Living."

MARCH OF DIMES CAMPAIGN GAINS IN PAST WEEK

Chairman Says Half Of \$5000 Quota Is Already In Sight; More Events To Come

Neill A. McDonald, county chairman for the March of Dimes, said this week that things were looking up after the lag reported last week and that the halfway mark on the \$5000 quota had been reached. He said cooperation had been good all over the county and that the various communities were really bearing down to get up the \$5000 the drive must have to get the county infantile paralysis chapter out of the red and have anything for the coming summer. He expressed his own personal appreciation for this spirit.

Plan More Benefits

He called attention to the benefits still to be held and urged the public to attend and enjoy these affairs and help the March of Dimes at the same time. Those still scheduled are:

Supper at Antioch church tonight — The Allendale community will have their barbecue and chicken salad supper at the Antioch Presbyterian church tonight instead of at the Allendale community house as originally announced. Serving will be from 5:00 to 8:30.

Montrose fish fry tomorrow — A fish fry will be held at the Montrose community house by the people of Quewhiffle township. It will start at 6:00 p. m.

Bookish supper tomorrow — The Bookish community will have an oyster and chicken supper tomorrow night at the schoolhouse. Serving will begin at 6:00 o'clock.

Band At Bowmore — The Bowmore school is sponsoring the appearance of the Southern Pines Colored High School band at the Bowmore school next Wednesday, February 7, at 7:30 p. m. for the benefit of the March of Dimes.

Most productive from a money standpoint up to this time was the affair at Mildouson school last week followed by the dance at Hendrix grill all of which was planned and executed by the people of Stonewall township. The supper and the cake sale and the dance with contributions brought the total for the evening to \$500 for the March of Dimes. Others bringing in money were The Talent Show at Hoke High, \$232; The Wayside supper, \$113; The Antioch supper, \$225; The Blue Springs square dance last week, \$35; The taxi which was operated two weeks by Donald Harvey, \$43.50; Raeford Graded school, \$333.50 and Hoke High \$102.

McDonald said anyone who had not been approached and who wished to contribute could send the money to him or to K. A. McDonald, permanent treasurer.

METHODISTS HAVE EXECUTIVE MEETING

The officers of the Fayetteville District of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Methodist Church met here Wednesday. The meeting began at 11 o'clock. Lunch was served at one. All zone leaders of the five zones in this district were invited.

Missionary work for the coming months was planned and other business of importance was transacted.

LIBRARY NEWS

YOU BET YOUR TOWN TAGS

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NATIONAL GUARD TRAINING INCREASED

In keeping with the times and the international situation the local National Guard unit, along with others in the state and nation, will spend more time in training in the next few months, effective at once. The first way this will be felt by guardsmen in this community is the beginning of extra assemblies weekly right away. These will be held on Sunday afternoons in addition to the regular Monday night drills.

The case against Buster Ross, colored, for careless and reckless driving was dropped for lack of evidence.

Archie C. Phillips and Dormie Basden, white, each paid \$25 and the costs for careless and reckless driving.

LOCAL UNC STUDENT MAKES PERFECT GRADES

Of the several thousand students at the University of North Carolina 263 made the honor roll for the quarter just past with an average of 90 to 95 on all courses. Dean C. P. Sprull announced last week. Of these 42 made all A's, or better than 95 on each course. Among these was Milton Mann, son of Mr. and Mrs. Israel Mann of Raeford.