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YOUR SCHOOL NEWS

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The Board of Education, the Hoke-Raeford PTA, the Chamber of Commerce and the Woman's Club are sponsoring a public meeting at the courthouse tonight at 8 o'clock. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the proposed School Bond Issue. The reasons for asking for this issue will be explained and a chance given to everybody to ask questions. Everyone will be given a chance to express himself.

It is hoped that there will be a large attendance. This is a most important affair. The schools are facing an emergency. This emergency will have to be met. The sponsoring organizations feels that it is most important that everyone understand the issues involved. Please be present. The election is May 7.

Miss Leonora Currie of the Raeford Graded faculty is out sick. Mrs. W. J. Coates is substituting for her.

On next Monday, March 30, the Rockfish pre-school clinic will be held at the school beginning at 9 o'clock. That afternoon beginning at 1:30 the pre-school clinic will be held at Mildouson. It is hoped that parents who have children to begin school next year will take their children to the clinic to which they should go.

On next Monday, April 30, there will be a meeting of the Hoke County Unit of the NCOEA for the purpose of hearing reports from the delegates to the state meeting held in Asheville recently. The meeting will be held at the Hoke High school building at 4:00 p. m. The yearly election of officers will be held at this meeting. This year's general officers are T. C. Jones, president, and Mrs. Wilton Wood, secretary-treasurer.

The office force of the Board of Education is busy now preparing the organization's statement for the State Board of Education. This is the basis on which teachers for the following school year are allotted.

Last Friday the schoolmaster's club made up of the principals and men teachers in the colored schools of the county put on a (Continued on back, page)

To Observe 4-H Church Sunday In Two Hoke Churches

This coming Sunday, April 29, is National 4-H Church Sunday. Special services, in observance of this day, will be held in the Tabernacle Baptist church at Rockfish at 11 a. m. and in the Shiloh Presbyterian church at 7:30 p. m. The pastors of these churches, Rev. D. E. Miller and Rev. S. A. Ewart, will bring the messages but the other duties of the Worship Hour will be carried out by 4-H Club members. They will act as ushers, give the welcome, read the scripture, take up the offering and present the special music.

Those taking part in these services include the following: Tabernacle Baptist church, Janet Guin, Betty Dale, Betty Scarborough, Bobby Tice, David Tyler, Alma Lee Lovette, Frankie McDougald, Jimmy Matlock and Larry English.

Shiloh Presbyterian church: Wilbur Creed, Frances Calhoun, Marilyn Markel, Laverne Mays, Patsy Cameron, Bobby VanHoy, Nancy Faye Calhoun, Grady Butler and Bobby Walters.

Other 4-H Club members will compose the choir.

Leaders hope that every 4-H Club member, as well as parents and friends, will attend one of these services.

Methodists Of District Gather Here Wednesday

Over 300 Methodists representing the 43 pastoral charges of the Fayetteville district were guests of the Raeford Methodist church and the community yesterday when the annual District Conference was held here. Delegates were present from most of 118 churches in the district.

The conference was held in two sessions with a delicious luncheon being served by the local church in between.

The conference was presided over by the Rev. Walter Ball, District Superintendent, of Fayetteville, and the sermon at the morning session was delivered by Dr. D. D. Holt, pastor of Trinity Methodist church in Durham. Delegates representing the local church at the conference were Tommie Upchurch and Hinton McPhaul. Many other members were present as a welcoming committee.

Highway Patrol Will Soon Hire 105 New Recruits

The 105 additional State highway patrolmen authorized at the present session of the General Assembly will receive training in the Highway Patrol Training School at the Institute of Government, Chapel Hill, May 7 through June 16. Col. James R. Smith, commanding officer of the Patrol has reported.

Qualified men interested in becoming highway patrolmen and in attending the six-week school should submit their applications immediately to Col. Smith. The present starting salary for patrolmen is \$2,508 a year.

Col. Smith stated that candidates must be citizens of the United States and residents of North Carolina for the past five years, between 21 and 31 years of age and not subject to induction into the armed forces under present selective service regulations.

Interested men may obtain application blanks by writing or telephoning the North Carolina State Highway Patrol Headquarters, New Revenue Building, Raleigh, N. C., or the State Highway Patrol Troop Headquarters in Fayetteville.

Rev. and Mrs. W. B. Heyward are taking a short vacation this week, which is being spent in South Carolina. Mrs. Mary Autry is staying with the Heyward children while their parents are away.

J. E. Conoly Funeral Held Monday

Funeral services were conducted at Raeford Presbyterian church at 3:00 o'clock Monday afternoon for James E. (Cap) Conoly, merchant and former Raeford Mayor who died in a Fayetteville hospital early Sunday morning after a lingering illness.

The service was conducted by the Rev. W. B. Heyward, pastor, assisted by the Rev. P. O. Lee, pastor of the Raeford Methodist church, and the Rev. B. P. Robinson, former pastor of that church. Burial was in Raeford cemetery. Pallbearers were Cliff Conoly, Roy Conoly, Cecil McKenzie, Clyde Campbell, Douglas Johnson and Milton Campbell. Honorary pallbearers were members of W.O.W. Camp 118 and flower girls were members of Supreme Forest Woodmen Circle.

Mr. Conoly was born in Hoke county, son of the late James and Lizzie Conoly, and he lacked about a week of reaching his 73rd birthday. He was a member of the W.O.W. and was for a number of years teacher of a men's Sunday School class at the Raeford Presbyterian church. He operated a store in the business section of Raeford for many years, but recently operated it near his home on East Prospect avenue. He was mayor of Raeford at one time and was for many years a justice of the peace.

He is survived by his widow, the former Lora Alice Campbell, two sons, Lawrence and Bruce, both of Raeford, one daughter, Mrs. Glenn S. Taylor of Rocky Point, N. C.; and six grandchildren.

CONCERT AT ROCKFISH

The Hoke High band, under the direction of Band Teacher J. B. Renn, gave a concert Wednesday morning to a very appreciative audience at Rockfish school. After the concert the band members were invited into the lunchroom where they were served a delicious lunch.

REVIVAL AT WAGRAM

The Rev. J. Royce Brooks, pastor of the First Baptist church of Albemarle, is preaching in a special series of evangelistic services at Spring Hill Baptist church at Wagram this week. Services are at 10:30 a. m. through Friday and evenings at 8:00 through Sunday.

MARION LEWIS CLASS PRESIDENT AT SALEM



These three Salem College girls won the important posts of class presidents for 1951-52 in recent elections, Miss Edna Wilkerson, left, of Pulaski, Va., was chosen to serve as president of the Senior Class. Frankie Strater

of Burlington, center, was elected president of the Sophomore Class, and Marian Lewis, right, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Lewis of Raeford, was chosen president of the Junior Class.



DR. CHARLES G. VARDELL, JR.

Dr. Charles G. Vardell, Jr. New Head Of Conservatory Of Music At FMC

Dr. Charles G. Vardell, Jr., Dean of the School of Music at Salem college, has accepted the position as Dean of the Conservatory of Music at Flora Macdonald college, and will assume his new post on July 1. It was announced by college authorities today. He will succeed Robert Smith, present dean.

Born of distinguished North Carolina parentage, and with a rich musical background, he is the son of Dr. C. G. Vardell, Sr., President Emeritus of Flora Macdonald, and the late Linda Rumpie Vardell, founder of the Flora Macdonald Conservatory of Music. As a young woman, acknowledged the most outstanding pianist and musician in the state, she set her standards in accordance with the best conservatories in the land, and it was under her talented leadership that her distinguished son received his early musical education. He is the grandson of the late Rev. Jethro Rumpie, D.D., and Elizabeth Wharton Rumpie, of Salisbury. It was his musical training and organ study at Flora Macdonald which prepared him to hold the position of University organist at Princeton University for

three years, where he was graduated with the class of 1914. His musical education was continued in the Institute of Musical Arts of New York City, now Juliard School, where he was graduated in 1915, taking the post graduate "Artists' and Teachers' diplomas in 1916. He taught for one year in the Hotchkiss School of Lakeville, Connecticut, resigning from this position to enter YMCA war work, where he served as secretary in the Officers Training Camp at Fort Oglethorpe, Georgia.

From 1919 to 1923, he was Dean of the Flora Macdonald Conservatory of Music, resigning to go to Salem college as head of the piano department, and since 1928, has been Dean of the School of Music at Salem. During this time, he has constantly been employed in teaching piano, organ composition, orchestration, and has served as organist and choir master in various churches in Winston-Salem.

Dr. Vardell's earlier compositions include a sonata for violin and piano, and a suite, "From a Mountain Walk". Each of these compositions took a prize in the state competition for the Shirley Cup, offered for work by a North Carolina composer. This cup is now in his permanent possession. Dr. Vardell's wife is the former Eleanor Ferrill of Macon, Georgia. Their only daughter, Margaret, is a graduate of Salem college, with a master's degree from Eastman. She taught at the Oberlin (Ohio) Conservatory of Music for two years, and is now head of the organ department at Salem college.

It is most fitting that Dr. Vardell should return to carry to final completion the dreams of his mother and father, for a great Conservatory of Music at Flora Macdonald College.

Brother Of Local Lady Passes In S. C.

Julian R. Ellis, 59, brother of Mrs. Ernest Campbell of Raeford, died at his home near Hartsville, S. C. Friday night of a heart attack.

Funeral service was conducted at New Providence Baptist church near Hartsville on Sunday afternoon and burial was in the churchyard cemetery. Mr. and Mrs. Campbell attended the service.

In addition to Mrs. Campbell Mr. Ellis is survived by his wife and three daughters of the home, two other sisters and two brothers.

MURDER CASES GET BACK SEAT IN SUPERIOR COURT THIS WEEK

Bethune Maulsby To Serve 6-Months; Immorals Case Verdict Due Today

With the cases against John Leonard Maulsby and associates starting on Tuesday morning and the last one due to go to the jury this morning, and with Bethune Maulsby getting a six months suspended sentence applied and being or-

Methodists To Hear Orphanage Head Sunday Evening

The Rev. A. D. Leon Gray, Superintendent of the Masonic Orphanage, Oxford, will be the guest minister at a Union Service at the Raeford Methodist church on Sunday evening, April 29th at 7:30.

Rev. Mr. Gray came to North Carolina from Alabama, graduated from Duke Divinity School, joined the North Carolina Conference and for four years was minister at the Jacksonville Marine Base. From there he went to Snow Hill and while serving that charge was appointed Superintendent of the orphanage.

Mr. Gray, an able speaker, has done an excellent job at the orphanage. He is a member of other churches and is periodically invited to worship with the Methodists on Sunday.

District Scouts To Meet At Camp Friday

A hundred or more Boy Scouts from the 12 troops in Hoke, Scotland and the western section of Robeson county will meet at Camp Tom Upchurch tomorrow afternoon for their spring camporee. This group of scout troops is known as the western district of the Cape Fear Council.

The camporee will be under the direction of Cary Knott, deputy executive of the council. Friday afternoon the boys will get their camp set up, have supper and attend campfire. On Saturday they will spend the morning preparing for the contests that will take up the afternoon. These contests will be on all phases of scout activity with the exception of swimming. On Sunday the boys will attend church service, have dinner and break camp.

About a dozen boys from Raeford are expected to attend under their scoutmaster, Tom McLaughlin.

FIDDLERS PLAY TONIGHT

There will be a fiddler's convention tonight at Rockfish school. Players of all string instruments are invited to participate and compete for prizes. An admission will be charged.

PRESBYTERIANS WILL HAVE GUEST PREACHER

The Rev. Price H. Gwynn, Jr., D.D., dean of Flora Macdonald College, will fill the pulpit at the Raeford Presbyterian church next Sunday morning in the absence of the pastor, who is on vacation.

A Leadership Training School

for the Methodist Church will be held in First Church, Laurinburg on April 29-May 1. A number of church school teachers from the Raeford Methodist church plan to attend. Mrs. Marvin Vick of Jonesboro Heights, Sanford, will teach "Planning for Children in the Church;" Rev. F. R. Dail of Kipling will teach, "Teaching Youth;" and Rev. J. T. Greene of Durham will teach, "Making Home Christian."

dered held for perjury by the judge, the public eye was taken away from the two murder cases on docket for trial in Superior court here this week before Judge Q. K. Nimocks, Jr. of Fayetteville.

John Leonard Maulsby, Bill Gordon, Leona Marlow and Elizabeth Marlow are on trial on charges of immoral conduct. All were found guilty in recorder's court and given a year and all appealed. The selection of a jury for the case started Tuesday afternoon and was completed shortly after 10:00 o'clock yesterday morning after it became necessary to call extra jurors. The State's evidence consisted of testimony by Officers Wright, Weeks, Dees and McNeill. The defense did not offer any evidence and court recessed yesterday afternoon after argument by defense and State with closing argument for defense and charge of judge to be heard before the jury gets the case this morning. Motion by defense for non-suit at close of State's evidence was denied.

On Tuesday the same four defendants, Maulsby, Gordon and the two Marlow women, were tried on charges of assaulting Bethune Maulsby with a deadly weapon, to wit bricks and stove legs. All four defendants had been convicted in recorder's court on this charge and given one year each. Bethune Maulsby was called by the state as first witness in the case and the state's case fell through as a result of his evidence, or lack of it. He said in effect that he didn't know who hit him or assaulted him. The judge found all defendants not guilty on this charge without sending the case to the jury. Presumably on the assumption that Maulsby had testified as to who had hit him at the trial in recorder's court, Judge Nimocks ordered Bethune Maulsby held for action of the Grand Jury at the next term of court on a charge of perjury.

In a separate matter the judge ordered Bethune Maulsby sent to the roads to serve a six-month sentence he received last year and which had been suspended on condition that he not get into trouble concerning liquor for five years. He had been found guilty or pleaded guilty of being drunk and disorderly twice in the past few months.

In the other cases Russell Cagle, colored, was charged with murdering John C. Black in 1944. The State accepted Cagle's plea of guilty of manslaughter and he was sent to prison for not less than three or more than five years.

Ruthie Jones, Indian charged with murdering her husband, Hughie Jones, entered a plea of guilty of second degree murder and the State accepted. She was sent to prison for not less than 25 nor more than 30 years.

H. L. and Mattie Hendrix, white, were charged in an old case with giving a faulty deed with intent to defraud. A mistrial was ruled and a new trial was ordered.

Deutsie Ervin Cannon, white man convicted of speeding 70 miles an hour in recorder's court, got his case sent back to that court for compliance with the judgment of \$25 and the costs which he had appealed.

Weldon McCrimmon, colored, charged with larceny of some pipe from Clyde Upchurch, was freed when the State did not prosecute.

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