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YOUR SCHOOL NEWS

By K. A. MacDonald

The Ashmont and Raeford District committees held their yearly meetings last week and re-elected the faculties of Ashmont, Hoke High and Raeford Graded schools. We hope that the other committees will act soon.

The Rockfish school held its annual picnic yesterday afternoon. A bountiful supper was spread and all present enjoyed it to the fullest extent. After supper dedicatory exercises were held for the new building.

Tomorrow night, Friday, May 18, the glee club and band will give their annual concert in the auditorium at Hoke High at 8:30 o'clock. The glee club will be under the direction of Miss Doris Bradley and the band is directed by J. B. Renn.

We regret to announce that J. E. Renn, band director for Hoke High, lost his mother last week. His many friends here will sympathize with him in his loss.

Everyone interested schools was glad to see that the Town of Raeford Improvement Bonds sold so well. It is hoped that the Hoke County School Bonds can be sold as well and that the new buildings can be gotten underway at an early date.

The Raeford graded school pre-clinic was held yesterday with a large number of pre-school children and their parents attending. Local doctors and the Health Department cooperated with the school in putting on the clinic. We appreciate their help.

Standard tests were given in the elementary schools last week. Results are now being computed and tabulated. These results will be compared with last year's scores and will be used next fall, by the teachers as aids in planning their year's work. For instance, if a certain 6th grade was found to be ahead of grade placement in geography and behind in history, more time would be assigned to history and less to geography. The same thing with pupils. If pupil A's test showed he was ahead of his grade and pupil B's showed he was behind, more attention would be given pupil B, in order to get him up with his grade.

The Antioch Indian school is giving a program tomorrow night, Friday 18th, at 8:30 o'clock. The younger children will give the program. On Sunday, May 20, at 2:30 o'clock, they will have their commencement sermon. It is hoped that a good attendance of parents and friends will be had at both exercises. Splendid preparation has been made for both.

On next Tuesday night, May 22, at 8:00 o'clock, the Upchurch class night will be held in the school auditorium. The senior class has been at work on their program for some time and the exercises should be most interesting. It is hoped that a good crowd of parents and friends will attend to see and hear the seniors.

LOCAL AUTO DEALERS ATTEND CONVENTION

Mr. and Mrs. Crawford Thomas and Mr. and Mrs. Younger Sneed of Hoke Auto Co. attended sessions of the convention of North Carolina Automobile dealers which was held in Pinehurst Sunday, Monday and Tuesday of this week. The program of outstanding speakers included Senator Willis Smith, Radio Commentator Richard Harkness, and Wachovia Bank President Robert Hanes.

McLauchlin Company Sells Grocery Dept. To Bladen Firm

J. L. McNeill, president of McLauchlin Co., Inc. announced this week that the company had sold its grocery store to the Cole Feed and Seed Company of Elizabethtown, and that the new owners would operate it as soon as inventory and transfer were complete. The store has been operated in the same place by McLauchlin company for many years, and in his announcement McNeill expressed the appreciation of the company for the patronage of the people here for this long time. McLauchlin Co. will continue to handle building materials, hardware, cotton and fertilizer. The Cole Feed and Seed Co. are operators of several cash grocery stores in the southeastern section of the state.

A & P Buying Boosts Income Of Carolinas Farms

Charlotte — The agricultural economy of the Carolinas was bolstered during the past year through the sale of more than five million dollars' worth of fresh farm produce to one form, A&P Food Stores.

Company officials revealed here today that Atlantic Commission Co., produce-buying affiliate of the grocery chain, paid \$1,412,938 to farmers in North Carolina and \$3,402,137 to producers in South Carolina for a total of 3,885 carlots of fresh fruits and vegetables during the fiscal year ending February 24, 1951.

"These figures do not include many other thousands of dollars worth of fruits and vegetables purchased for 'local' sale in our Carolina stores," said P. M. Bealer, Jr., vice president of the Southern Division of A&P with headquarters in Charlotte.

"Nor do they include the many tons of canned fruits and vegetables purchased by the company from processors in the two states," he added.

The Carolina produce, both fresh and canned, was distributed throughout the grocery chain's stores in 40 states, taking the Carolina labels into almost every section of the country.

Dr. Arnold Nash Finals Speaker At Flora Macdonald

President Marshall Scott Woodson has announced that Dr. Arnold Nash, head of the department of Religion at the University of North Carolina, will deliver the Commencement address to the Flora Macdonald graduates of 1951, on Monday, June 4, at 10:30 o'clock.

Of English birth, Dr. Nash was educated at the University of Liverpool, Ripon Hall, Oxford, and the London School of Economics, University of London. He holds graduate degrees in chemistry, philosophy, and sociology.

His fame as a lecturer has spread throughout the United States since 1939, when he came over to lecture at the Berkeley Divinity School and at Yale Divinity School, since which time he has been much in demand as lecturer at leading universities throughout the United States and Europe.

He is also an author of note in his field, and has contributed extensively to leading journals, both American and continental. His best known book is "The University and the Modern World".

BETHEL SQUARE DANCE

The Raeford Woodmen circle is sponsoring a square dance at the Bethel community house next Wednesday night for the benefit of the circle's charity fund.

Old Offender Sent Off For 2 Years Tuesday

Recorder Releases Indian On Assault Charge After Hearing Evidence

Ozell Beatty, colored man who has been in the habit of appearing in recorder's court as a defendant with considerable regularity for some time, will not be there for the next couple of years. He appeared before Judge Henry McDiarmid Tuesday on charges of being drunk and disorderly, disturbing religious worship, fighting his wife at church, and destruction of personal property at the county jail. He was sent to the roads for two years.

James Willie Ross, Leonard and Weldon Ross, all colored were charged with assault by Lucius McClennahan, Willie Diamond and John L. McLean. In another case Willie Ross, Sr., was charged with carrying a concealed weapon and assault with a deadly weapon by the same three. The defendants were freed as there wasn't evidence against them, and the judge let the prosecuting witnesses get up the costs for what amounted to a frivolous prosecution.

Willard "Buddy" Hunt, Indian charged with assault with intent to commit rape, was released when the state took a nol prois with leave to reopen the case due to insufficient evidence against Hunt.

Earl Otis Rhye, white, got 90 days suspended on payment of \$100 and the costs for driving drunk.

Robert L. McLean, colored, was charged with obtaining money under false pretenses. His plea of guilty of disposing of mortgaged property was accepted by the state, however, and he got a one-year sentence to be suspended on payment of court costs and \$212 to James Hollingsworth.

Luther Allen Taylor, white, paid the costs for driving on the wrong side of the road, and Walter R. Storek left a \$25 bond for passing in the face of oncoming traffic.

Herbert C. Sheffield and Wilbur Black, white, were each found guilty of careless and reckless driving. For the same offense William Lacy McIntyre, colored, paid \$25 and the costs and Leon Crofford Williams, white, paid \$20 and the costs.

Sallie McRae, colored, paid \$25 and the costs for having no driver's license.

Albert Douglas and James Richard McMillan, both colored, each paid \$10 and the costs for driving improperly equipped cars.

Robert L. Bass, white, paid \$10 and the costs for speeding.

Earl Meggs, white, paid the costs for being drunk and disorderly.

Field Meeting On Small Grain Next Wednesday

A Small Grain Field meeting will be held at the official Small Grain Variety Test Plots on the Tommie Upchurch Farm on Wednesday, May 23 at 1:30 p. m. according to E. M. Stallings, County Agent.

These plots are located 3 miles Southeast of Raeford on the Arabia road and contain many varieties of oats, wheat and barley including several new experimental ones, which look very promising.

F. J. Bell, Extension Seed and Small Grain Specialist and J. C. Wells, Extension Plant Pathologist, will be present to show the group through the plots and discuss the different new varieties as to yields, disease resistance and general characteristics.

All farmers of the county are invited to attend this meeting and see the latest results of these variety tests.

UNC Professor To Preach In FMC Finals June 3



REV. BERNARD BOYD

The Rev. Bernard Boyd, Th. D., James A. Gray professor of Bible at the University of North Carolina, will preach the baccalaureate sermon at the 53th Commencement of Flora Macdonald college, Sunday, June 3, at 11:15 o'clock.

Dr. Boyd received his A.B. degree from Presbyterian college, South Carolina; his Th.B. from Princeton Seminary; his M.A. from Princeton University; and his Th.D. from Union Seminary, Richmond, Virginia. He has held professorships at Presbyterian college and Davidson college, and served as navy chaplain in second world war.

Demonstrate Various Soybean Varieties

A Soybean Variety Demonstration was planted this week on the farm of Will McNeill of Antioch, according to E. M. Stallings, County Farm Agent.

This demonstration was planted beside the Highway from Duffie toward Red Springs and contains three rows each of 15 different soybean varieties. These varieties include Roanoke, Ogden, Woods Yellow, Arksoy, Dortchsoy, Hale, Haberland, Lincoln and several experimental varieties.

The purpose of this plot is to show the plant type, yield and disease resistance of the different varieties. The plot will be marked and staked to show the name of each variety. All farmers of the county are invited to observe this demonstration during the year.

Hoke Soldier Finishes Course At Fort Jackson

Private Thomas Dean, son of Mr. and Mrs. James T. Dean of Shannon, N. C. has successfully completed the 8 weeks Leader's Course conducted by the Specialist Training Regiment of the famed 8th Infantry Division at Fort Jackson, S. C.

Private Dean attended Hoke High School in Raeford. He was engaged in farming employment prior to his induction into the Army last November.

Students enrolled in the Leader's Course are chosen from the ranks of the enlisted men from the Third Army Area for the purpose of determining their potential as commissioned or non-commissioned officers.

"HIGH SCHOOL DAY" AT METHODIST CHURCH

Pastor P. O. Lee of the Raeford Methodist church, announced this week that next Sunday would be "High School Day" at the Methodist church and that all high school students were especially invited to attend the morning service. His subject for the sermon will be "What Will My Life's Work Be?"

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Baker spent Sunday in Pine Level in the home of Mrs. Baker's parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Oliver.

MacDonalds Guests Of Historical Society On Cape Fear Trip

Mr. and Mrs. K. A. MacDonald were guests of the State Historical Society last Saturday when they went on a trip down the Cape Fear River to Wilmington and out to sea.

The trip was organized by Hon. John A. Oates, vice-president of the society and was managed by O. P. Breece. Willis Briggs, president of the society of Raleigh, and Miss Medlin of Anson county, secretary, were among those present.

They went on the Pamlico, which left Breece's landing at 8 o'clock Saturday morning, and was staffed at Lock 2. The next stop was at Elizabethtown where the party was met by a committee from the D.A.R. and invited to lunch. Going down the river many beautiful homes, predating the Revolution and ante-bellum days, could be seen. Malcolm Fowler of Lillington was in charge of the program on the boat and he saw to it that there was not a dull moment.

They arrived at Custom House in Wilmington at 9 p. m. and spent the night in Wilmington. On Sunday morning they were taken on a tour, which included the historic and beauty spots in and around Wilmington. They then left on the boat and continued down the Cape Fear past Orton, Fort Caswell, the Old Quarantine Station and other points of interest out to sea, returning to Southport for lunch.

After lunch they took a bus to Fayetteville and stopped at historic spots on the highway. Between 32 and 40 took the trip.

TOWN STILL DIGGING IN SEARCH OF WATER

The town failed in its attempt to sink another well at the ball park to add to its water supply. This digging went on last week, and while water was found, only about 40 gallons a minute could be pumped and a minimum of 100 is needed. They are now drilling back of the Stanley Koonce home on the Main street extension north of town.

MAULTSBY PADLOCKING CASE SET FOR AUGUST

The hearing on the padlocking of the Maultsby residence here was postponed until the August term and transferred back to Hoke county Superior court by Judge Clawson Williams in Cumberland Superior court Monday. The home is to remain padlocked until the hearing at which time the decision will be made as to whether the padlock should be removed or made permanent for one year.

PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. Foster McBryde had all their children and their families with them for Mother's Day. They were: Mr. and Mrs. Tommie Cardwell and children of Madison, Miss Mary Black McBryde of Greensboro, Mrs. Hal Kinlaw and daughter of St. Pauls and Foster McBryde of High Point college.

Jimmy Woodhouse of Wake Forest spent the week end here with his parents.

Mrs. W. E. Blue had as her week end visitors Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Moon and Miss Sandra Moon of Graham. Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Bethea of Dillon, S. C. were also visitors in the home of Mrs. Blue Sunday.

Capt. Russ Parker left Friday for Camp Campbell, Kentucky after spending last week in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. McBryde. Mrs. Parker remained for a longer visit with her parents. Capt. Parker was transferred to Camp Campbell from Ft. Benning, Ga., where he has been stationed for the past year.

Commission Sells Town Bond Issue For Water, Sewers

The Local Government Commission sold bond issues for Haywood and Carteret counties and the town of Raeford on Monday.

The issue for the town of Raeford was of \$130,000 water and sewer bonds, has an average maturity of 19 and one-third years and sold at 2.8446 per cent interest.

Buying the issue were J. Lee Peeler, Inc. of Durham, and Vance Securities corporation of Greensboro.

The issue of these bonds along with \$50,000 street improvement bonds was authorized by voters of the town in an election held last March 6. The street bonds have not been offered for sale.

PERSONALS

Mrs. B. J. McGowan of Morven spent several days here last week in the home of her sister, Mrs. J. R. Hampton.

Mr. and Mrs. Hurd Bradford and daughter, Elizabeth Gordon, of Hamlet, spent Mother's Day with Mr. and Mrs. Roland Covington.

Misses Libby Suddreth and Belle Smith of Appalachian State Teachers College, Boone, spent the week end here with their parents.

Joe Gullage, airman apprentice, left last week for Jacksonville Florida to enter the Naval Aviation Technical Training School, after a leave here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Gullage. He had just finished his boot training at San Diego, Cal., before coming home on leave. Joe's friend, Rommie Harding, who was his roommate at ECTC, Greenville and who enlisted in the navy at the same time as Joe, was also here on leave. He left for Corpus Christi, Texas, where he will be on the job training for aviation training.

Mr. and Mrs. McNair Smith were guests of Sgt. and Mrs. George Johnson at Greenville for several days last week.

Miss Bess Henniger has returned to her home in Statesville after a week's visit with her sister, Mrs. J. C. McLean.

Mrs. Hugh Lowe returned to her home last Friday after spending several days here with her father, D. S. Poole, and her sister, Mrs. Luke Bethune.

Miss Beth Deaton of Statesville, who teaches in Lumberton, spent the week end with Miss Leonora Currie.

Mr. and Mrs. William McFadyen had as their guests Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm Rogers and Mr. Roger's mother, all of Raleigh.

Mrs. N. A. Clark returned to her home last Thursday after being a patient at Moore County hospital for about ten days.

Miss Hilda Priest spent the week end with friends at ECTC, Greenville.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Campbell and daughter of Butner spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Campbell.

Mr. and Mrs. Fay Morris of New Bern spent the week end with Mrs. A. R. Morris.

Mr. and Mrs. Riley Willis had as their guests Sunday, Mrs. Willis' parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Webb of St. Pauls.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Stephens had as their guests Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Carl Dilday of Raleigh and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sessoms of Fayetteville.

Negro Lad Admits Setting Upchurch Barns On Fire

10-Year-Old Is Sent To Reformatory From Juvenile Court Tuesday

Clyde Upchurch lost a barn by fire on Wednesday afternoon of last week and there was considerable conjecture as to how it might have started but little thought that it might have started by human hands. However, when he lost another right beside the first on Friday afternoon it became apparent that something fishy was going on.

The barns were located just up the hill from Clyde's pond on the Lumber Bridge road just outside Raeford. The one which burned Wednesday had about 10 tons of nitrate of soda in it and was uninsured. The larger barn which burned on Friday afternoon was a stock barn and contained a quantity of feed. No livestock was lost. Both were beyond saving when discovered, although the Raeford fire department went out on both occasions and protected other buildings.

Matthew McRae, Jr., colored lad who lives in the neighborhood, admitted that he had set the fires, and other things about the way he has been behaving recently made his story credible, although he would admit no motive. There is no record of the boy's age except at school where records indicate that he will be 10 years old on the 12th of next month. He appears to be possibly a year or two older.

McRae was caught by Pete Howell, who lives nearby, after stealing some \$40 from him and Howell got his money back. The same thing happened with a teacher at his school.

He appeared in juvenile court on Tuesday before Clerk of the Superior Court J. B. Cameron, who also serves as judge of the juvenile court. He admitted to the court that he had set the fires, the first in some straw near the front of it and the second in the hay in the loft. He was sent to the Morrison Training school at Hoffman for detention there as long as the authorities think he needs it or until he reaches his majority. Both the thefts and the setting of the fires were recorded as the reasons for his going.

Baxter McNeill, Native Of Hoke, Passes Suddenly

Baxter McNeill, 40, died suddenly early Saturday morning of a cerebral hemorrhage. He was taken ill just a short time before and rushed to the hospital.

He was born in Hoke county, near Raeford, a son of the late Neil Arch McNeill and Mrs. Kate McNeill. He was owner of the McNeill Funeral home in Maxton for a number of years, but sold his business there and moved to his farm at Floral College last year.

He is survived by his wife, two small sons, his mother, and four brothers, including Clifford McNeill of this county.

Funeral was conducted at the home Sunday afternoon by Dr. E. L. Stoffel, pastor of the First Presbyterian church of Maxton, assisted by the Rev. Ray Dickens, pastor of Centre church. Burial was in Oakgrove cemetery in Maxton.

PAYS \$9.00 COSTS FOR FOLLOWING FIRE TRUCK

Alfred Hart, Jr., of McCain, was arrested by City Policeman H. E. Dees last Friday afternoon on a charge of following the fire truck too close. He was tried before Mayor W. L. Poole and had to pay the costs of the court, \$9.00. This is the third such offense in the last year.