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YOUR SCHOOL NEWS

By K. A. MacDonald

The Board of Education is meeting today at 10:00 o'clock to go over preliminary plans for the Raeford Graded addition, the Upchurch addition and for the new Indian school. If the plans are approved the architect and superintendent will take them to Raleigh for approval by the state authorities.

Monday night the Rockfish Grammar grades held their closing exercises in the form of a Class Day Exercise.

Yesterday was skip-day in all the white schools of the county. Today all pupils will be given their report cards. Books, damage fees, etc., will be collected and the doors closed on the 1950-51 session.

Tuesday night the Upchurch band and choral club gave their annual concert. This was the first year for the band. Their performance was excellent for their first time. The audience thoroughly enjoyed the whole program. The choral club sang several outstanding numbers.

Tonight at 8 o'clock the McFarland school will hold their closing exercises. They have worked hard in preparing the program and it is hoped that parents and friends will turn out well.

Tomorrow night, June 1, the Millside school will present its final exercises. The school has made a name for itself for the way it does things. We feel that these exercises will be on par with all the others and it will pay parents and friends to attend.

The Upchurch commencement exercises will be held in the school auditorium, Monday morning, June 4, at 11 o'clock. These exercises have been prepared by the pupils and will be put on by them as has been the custom for the past several years. We hope there will be a large crowd of parents and friends to see the seniors graduate.

The colored schools of the county will all close for the session on Monday, June 4.

The superintendent's office will be busy all the balance of this week and next checking the schools out.

William E. McGill, Raeford Native, Dies In South Carolina

William Earl McGill, 66, veteran employee of the Atlantic Coast Line railroad, died Monday afternoon in McColl, S. C., while on regular run between Fayetteville and Bennettsville. He was stricken with a heart attack.

He was born in 1885, son of the late Celia and Byrus McGill of Raeford, and had been employed by the railroad for the past 40 years. He was a member of the First Baptist church of Fayetteville, where he made his home.

Funeral services were conducted at the First Baptist church at three o'clock yesterday afternoon by the Rev. Louis S. Gaines, pastor. Burial was in Lafayette Memorial park. Pallbearers were nephews of the deceased: Carlton, Berder, William and J. A. Niven and Landon, Tracy and James McGill.

Surviving are his wife, the former Lillian Tew of Red Springs; two brothers, Carl McGill of High Point and Tom McGill of St. Pauls; a sister, Mrs. B. G. Jones of Chocowinity; and a number of nieces and nephews.

Presbyterians Will Have Opening Of Home In Montreat

The following invitation has been received by a number of people in Raeford and by Presbyterians throughout the South: "The Board of Trustees of the William Black Home cordially invite you to the unveiling of the Portrait of Dr. Black and the formal opening of the Home at Montreat on June the twenty-first at three o'clock. Nineteen hundred and fifty-one."

The home was operated by the Presbyterian Synod of North Carolina as the "North Carolina Home" and Synod changed the name to "William Black Home" after his death in 1927. Its first establishment was proposed to the Synod by Dr. Black, official evangelist in the Synod, and it was run for ministers' and church workers. This home burned several years ago.

The churches of the Synod of North Carolina have now constructed a new building and the Women of the Church of the Synod have furnished it, and it is also to be named for Dr. Black. The portrait to be unveiled was presented to the home by his family. The new home has accommodations for about 50 guests and is centrally located in Montreat.

Clifton M. Wilson, Native Of Raeford, Buried In Aberdeen

Clifton Monroe Wilson, 57, died suddenly in the Moore County hospital Saturday afternoon after having suffered a heart attack several weeks before.

He was born and reared in this county, son of the late James A. Wilson and Mrs. Sallie Monroe Wilson. He went to Aberdeen in 1920 and entered the hardware business in which he was engaged until his death. He was a business, civic and church leader in Aberdeen, having been an elder in Bethesda Presbyterian church and for several years chairman of the Aberdeen school board.

Funeral was conducted at Bethesda at 10:00 o'clock Monday morning by the Rev. Charles W. Worth, pastor of the church and burial followed in the Bethesda cemetery.

He is survived by two sons, Clifton M., Jr., and Robert S. Wilson; his mother, Mrs. James A. Wilson of Raeford; two brothers, John L. Wilson of Charleston, S. C., and Daniel C. Wilson of Richmond, Va.; four sisters, Mrs. John Cameron of Raeford, Mrs. Charles Newberry of Washington, D. C., Mrs. E. L. Parrott of Sumter, S. C., and Mrs. Clay E. Kirk of Aberdeen. His wife, Mrs. Margaret Sessions Wilson, died in June, 1950.

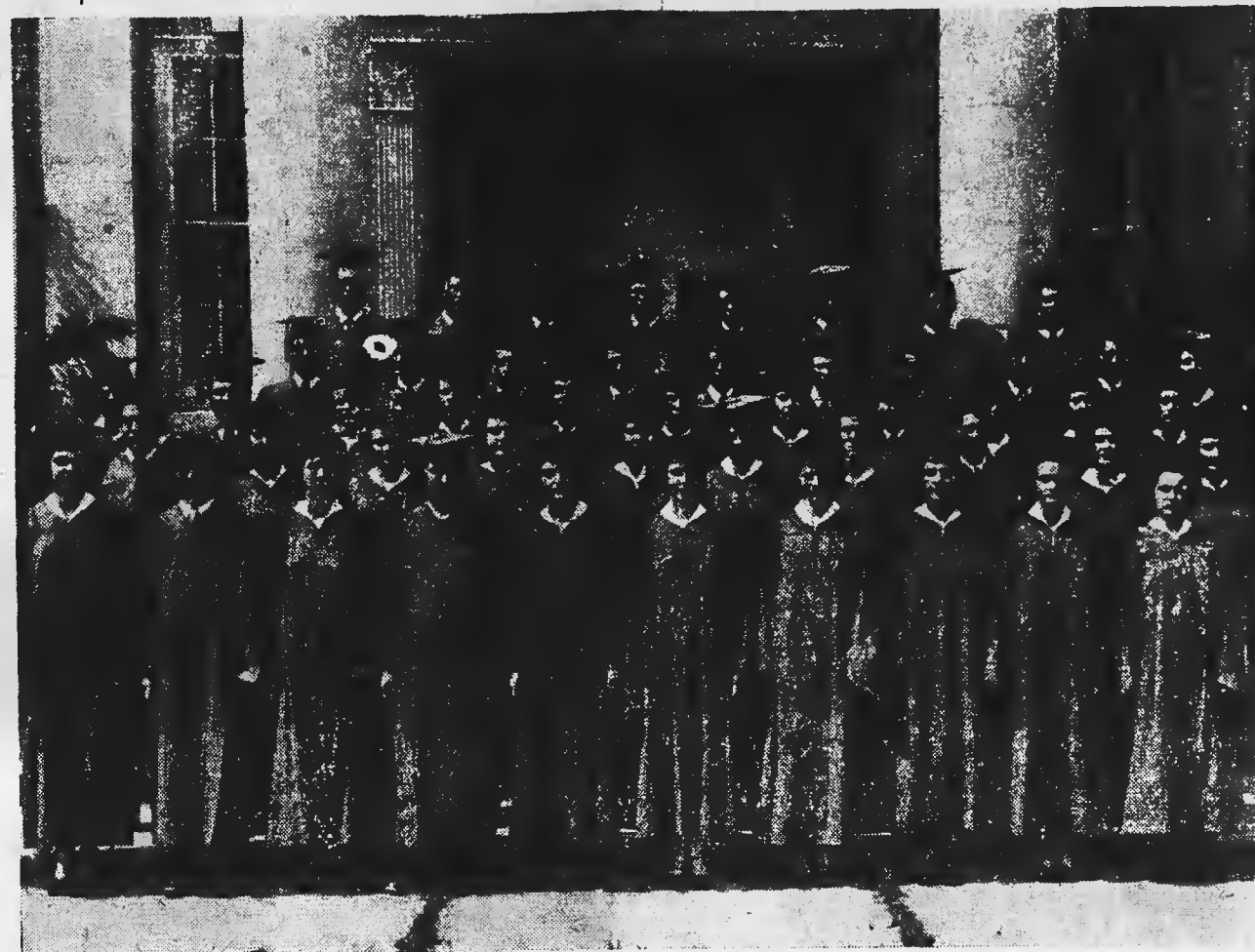
McCain Airmen Finishing Courses At Texas Base

Pvt. Robert S. Perry, Jr., 21, son of Mrs. and Mrs. R. S. Perry of McCain and Pvt. Duke Marshall, Jr., 20, son of Mr. and Mrs. D. Marshall of McCain, are completing AF basic airmen indoctrination course at Lackland Air Force Base, the "Gateway to the Air Force".

Lackland, situated near San Antonio, is the world's largest air force base, site of Air Force basic training, for men and women, headquarters of the Human Resource Research Center, and home of AF's Officer Candidate School.

Their basic training is preparing them for entrance into Air Force technical training and for assignment in specialized work. The course includes a scientific evaluation of their aptitude and inclination for following a particular vocation and career.

1951 SENIORS - HOKE HIGH SCHOOL



Members of the 1951 Graduating Class at Hoke County High school who received their diplomas Tuesday night are shown above as follows, from left to right: Front Row: Betty Upchurch, Avery Connell, Mary Lytle, David Gibson, Sue Gullede, Marjorie McDougald, Connie Fulk, Betty Vanhoy, Florence Cameron, Christine Sides. Second Row: Doc Ivey, Peggy Walters, Mattie Stevens, Iris Thomas, Sue Upchurch, Irene Andrews, Joan Freeman, Franklin Teal, Jane McKeithan, Louise Freeman. Third Row: Etta Mae Dees, Kenneth Davis, Elaine Chambers, Raye King, Tiffany Cothran. Jackie Maxwell, Betty Nixon, Billy Phillips, Joan Holtzclaw, Dorene Duncan, Fannette Gore. Fourth Row: James Tapp, John Eubanks, Dave Barrington, Billy Lester, Jesse Jones, Mitchell Davis, Franklin Webb, Carson Davis, Davis Currie, Betty Lou Burns. Fifth Row: Earl Hendrix, Ray Butner, D. B. Parker, Robert McGirt, John Balfour, Thomas Alexander, O. B. Maxwell, Jr., Everett Bowen. Class officers are: James Tapp, president; Betty Upchurch, vice-president; Fannette Gore, secretary; and Earl Hendrix, treasurer.

Finals Program To Start Saturday At Flora Macdonald

Dr. Bernard H. Boyd, James Gray professor of Bible at the University of North Carolina, will deliver the baccalaureate sermon at the 55th Commencement program of Flora Macdonald college on Sunday morning, June 3, at 11:15 o'clock.

On Sunday afternoon, at 3:30, John E. Williams, professor of organ at the college, will give an organ recital in the auditorium. Mr. Williams, a brilliant organist, was awarded first place in the Southern Regional meet of the American Guild of Organists, held in New Orleans in April.

The Senior Vesper service will be conducted by the Rev. R. L. Alexander, pastor of the First Presbyterian church of Lumberton, on Sunday evening at 7:30. This service will be held on the front lawn.

Dr. Arnold Nash, head of the department of Religion at the University of North Carolina, will make the graduating address to the seniors at the Commencement Day exercises on Monday, June 4. The Academic Procession will begin at 10:30 A. M. President Marshall Scott Woodson will award diplomas and certificates, and Dr. Leslie Bullock, head of the Bible department, will present Bibles to the members of the graduating class.

The Commencement program will open with "Alumnae Day", Saturday, June 2, when graduates of many classes are expected to foregather. At 6:45 Saturday evening, senior capping and class day exercises, will be held.

QUITS ONE JOB

Marion Gatlin, member of the new board of commissioners of the Town of Raeford and for several years a member of the Raeford district school committee, announced this week that he was resigning as a member of the school committee in order not to be in two public positions at one time.

TO HOLD CLINIC

The monthly orthopaedic clinic will be held Friday, June 1, 1951, in the Armory in Lumberton. Dr. J. E. Jacobs of Charlotte will be the surgeon in charge. Patients should register between eight and eleven o'clock.

Woodmen Circle Wins State Honor

The fifteenth state convention of the Supreme Forest Woodmen Circle was held at the Sheraton Hotel, High Point, May 25, 26, 27, with Piedmont Grove No. 172, High Point, Hostess Grove. Distinguished guests present were: Mrs. Dora Alexander Tally, National President, and Miss Blanche Eakin, National Director.

The Raeford Grove won the first prize for being the outstanding Grove in the State. Mrs. Florence Macko of the Raeford Grove was also elected one of the state officers, that of state auditor.

Mrs. Macko, president, and Mrs. Ruby Conoly, past president of the local grove, attended the convention.

LIBRARY NEWS

There will be a story hour at Hoke County Library Thursday afternoon, June 7, at 4 o'clock. This will be the beginning of the Circus Reading Club, put on by the library for the summer, to last till August 17. At this time the boys and girls can register for the reading club, and the details of the reading project will be explained.

The bookmobile has been out of order, but is being repaired, and will make its regular schedule in a few days.

Among the new books received are the following: Proud New Flags, Mason; Neither Five Nor Three, MacInnes; God's Men, Buck; His Eye is On the Sparrow, Waters; Each Man's Son, MacLennan; Pacific Hopscotch, Del Rey; Joy of Flower Arranging, Wilson; Flight of Fancy, Riddell; They Came to Bagdad, Christie.

Mrs. Earl Blue and Mrs. Annie Irby of Augusta, Ga. visited Mrs. W. E. Blue and Miss Louise Blue this week.

Miss Eleanor Leach, who is in training at the Medical College of Virginia at Richmond, arrived Monday to spend the month of June with her mother, Mrs. Grady Leach and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Gervais of Plainville, Conn. and Miss Claudette Gervais of New Britain, Conn. spent the week end in Chapel Hill and Raeford. On Monday they visited Miss Jean Campbell, who is on vacation at Myrtle Beach.

15 Cases Heard In Recorder's Court Tuesday Morning

Judge Henry McDiarmid ruled on 15 cases in recorder's court Tuesday morning. Most dealt with traffic violations, although liquor, fighting, bad checks and non-support also came up.

Walter Rogers and Ralph Chavis, Indians, indicted each other for assault. By trial time they had resolved their difference and did not want to prosecute. The judge allowed the case to be dropped on payment of the costs by each.

Andrew Purcell, colored, was charged with non-support of his wife and four minor children. He pleaded guilty and got one year on the roads to be suspended on payment of the costs and \$40 monthly for the support of his family.

Bill Almond, white, pleaded guilty of driving drunk with no driver's license. He got a total of five months on the roads suspended on payment of \$125 and the costs.

Robert L. Savage, white marine, charged with driving drunk. He failed to appear for trial and a capias was to issue.

David Miller, colored, was found guilty of assaulting his wife. He got six months on the roads, suspended on condition that he pay the costs and a \$10 doctor bill and be of good behavior for two years.

J. D. Wilkes, Jr., white, pleaded guilty of giving a bad check in two cases. In one, to the Atlantic Tobacco Co., for \$180 he got 90 days suspended on payment of the costs and making the check good. In the other, to Raeford Super Market for \$57.10, he got 60 days suspended on the same conditions.

For driving improperly equipped cars Willie Davis and Ervin Davis, both colored, each had to pay \$10 and the costs.

Speeders paying \$10 and the costs were Herbert S. Clark, Harold Atkins, Julian E. Parks, William T. McQuage and James W. Lawrence, all white. Obie D. Solomon, colored, paid the costs for speeding.

Raeford To Have Fire Inspection Safety Campaign

Raeford will join the national home inspection drive to rid American homes of fire hazards starting June 1, Fire Chief R. B. Lewis announced today. This is part of a county-wide campaign sponsored by the International Association of Fire Chiefs and supported by past president Herbert Hoover and other prominent national figures in a vast effort to curb the annual loss of life and property by fires in the United States.

Every home in Raeford will be visited by a fireman to assist householders to check the common hazards in their homes. Chief Lewis asked for the vigorous support of every resident in helping firemen make the survey.

Another phase of the drive will be to keep complete records of every fire and its cause in an attempt to discover the worst home hazards in Raeford. Household holders will then be in a better position to protect their own homes against fires, the Chief added.

Chief Lewis commented on the local program in Raeford that following the home inspections the drive will extend to businesses and other public buildings.

He placed special emphasis on "good housekeeping" to reduce home fires.

"Many more of the fires in Raeford could be eliminated by careful housekeeping, by checking electric cords and other electric home appliances and getting rid of rubbish that's accumulated in the house over the winter—and then keeping the house that way all year."

Award Diplomas To 50 Tuesday At HHS Finals

The graduation program of the Hoke County High School brought the commencement exercises to a close Tuesday evening, May 29 at 8:15 o'clock when Dr. Frontis Johnson of social science department of Davidson College delivered an inspiring and challenging address. W. T. Gibson, Jr., principal, awarded diplomas to 50 seniors. Betty Upchurch gave the salutatory and Raye King the valedictory.

Marion Gatlin, representing the Kiwanis Club, presented prizes for best all round pupil in high school to Betty Upchurch, in Raeford Elementary School to Mollie Seall, and in primary grades to Billie Shankle. The American Legion award was presented by N. H. G. Balfour for best boy and girl citizen to Jane McKeithan and Davis Currie.

Mrs. W. B. Heyward, president of Raeford Woman's Club, represented the departments of the club with following awards: valedictorian's medal given by Educational Department to Raye King; prize for best reader in high school from Literature department to Joan Sinclair; prizes for best creative writing (also from Literature department) to Annie Blue Cameron from senior high school, to Lawrence McNeill in junior high school group, to Belinda Sue Williamson in elementary grades, and to Mary Roberts in primary grades.

Harry Harrison, representing the Lion's Club, gave the award to Carolyn Atkinson and Connie Mae Fulk for being best spellers in high school and to Linda Phillips and Nancy Faye Calhoun, best spellers in elementary school. The history medal given by W.O. W. was awarded to John McLaughlin by Superintendent K. A. MacDonald.

Special music for the program was furnished by John Davis accompanied by Miss Doris Bradley, public school music teacher.

Betty Jane Ashburn, who had highest scholastic average in the junior class, served as chief marshal for all the high school commencement exercises. Other marshals chosen on basis of their grades were Annie Blue Cameron, John McLaughlin, Joyce Conoly, Pat Ritter, and Frances Bobbitt.

On Friday evening the senior class, under the direction of Miss Hilda Priest, presented "Indian Echoes", their annual class night exercises. These exercises, with O. B. Maxwell serving as chief, were very original and entertaining. The script following the same meter and rhythm as Longfellow's "Hiawatha" was given as a choral reading by members of the class. The different features of the class night program were cleverly brought into the exercises. The entire program was enlivened by Indian songs and dances.

The baccalaureate sermon was delivered by the Rev. W. C. Ball, superintendent of Methodist Churches in the Fayetteville District, in high school auditorium Sunday morning.

On Monday morning, May 28, Seventh Grade Promotion exercises were held in high school auditorium. Joan Gobeille gave the salutatory and Frankie McDougald the valedictory. Mayor J. O. Tally, Jr. of Fayetteville gave the address on this occasion.

Linda Ann Phillips of Raeford Elementary was chief marshal. Marshals for seventh grade program were chosen according to scholastic record of sixth graders throughout the county. Others serving as marshals were: Nancy Lee Cloer of Ashmont, Edward Langston and Virginia McNeill of Raeford Graded School, Betty Scarborough of Rockfish, and Ruby Mae Clark of Mildwood.

Rockfish furnished a duet for way all year."

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