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YOUR SCHOOL NEWS

By K. A. MacDonald

Tonight at 8 o'clock the Hoke High Glee Club and the Hoke High Band will give their annual pre-Christmas Concert. Both the band and glee club have been practicing on their Christmas Music and a good program has been prepared. Everyone is cordially invited.

Hoke High basketball teams put Hope Mills in the bag Tuesday night. We especially request that they put Massey Hill in on top of them when the time comes.

We are glad to report that Mrs. George Wilcox of the Raeford Graded faculty is improved enough to be home from the hospital. Mrs. W. J. Coates has been substituting for her.

The Raeford seventh grade is making a special study of Hoke County - its geography, topography, history, economic condition, agriculture, wild life, etc. They are making a composite map showing the above mentioned things. They hope to be able to put this map on display in the near future.

In making this study the class is making as many field trips as possible. This week they visited the Hoke Oil and Fertilizer and Concrete and the Para-Thread plants. They appreciate the courtesy shown them by officials of the companies. They were very much impressed by what they learned and saw. They hope to visit many other places of interest in the county.

The first eye clinic of the year was held yesterday and today by the Health and Welfare Departments, under the auspices of the school, health fund and State Blind Commission.

Dr. Dan Currie of Fayetteville is the physician in charge, assisted by Miss Helen Trexler of the State Blind Commission and H. E. Trogden of the City Optical Co., Fayetteville. The staffs of the Health and Welfare Departments also assisted.

These two departments except to put on at least one more eye clinic as only about one half of the pupils needing attention could be examined during these two days. The pupils having the worst eye trouble were the ones chosen for this clinic. The Welfare and Health Departments are hoping to be able to work out an eye clinic either in January or February. We are glad to report, however, that not nearly as many pupils suffer from hearing defects as do from eye troubles.

We feel that the schools are exceedingly fortunate in having these interested allies to work through and with the school health program for the betterment of the children of the county. We appreciate their untiring work and cooperation.

Miss Lora Mae McKenzie of the Board of Education staff was confined to her home by illness the first of this week. She is back now at her post much improved.

We have been advised by the architects that quite a number of firms will be present on the 18th of this month to bid on the two projects advertised by the Board. We hope that bids will be low enough to enable the Board to award the contracts that day.

The schools cooperating in the T.B. Seal Sale have not reported as yet. We hope to be able to give the results of this sale in the near future. We are sure that the schools will measure up to their usual high standards of cooperation.

Monday night the Junior Chorus (Continued on Page 4)

Santa Claus Makes Gala Entry Into Town Yesterday; Gets Big Welcome

Turning on of the Christmas lights on Main Street Tuesday night was considered a sure sign by old heads who know that Santa Claus was not far away, and sure enough, he rolled in in a blaze of glory at four o'clock yesterday afternoon, being preceded down the main street by a mammoth parade the likes of which this town has seldom, if ever, seen.

The affair was staged by the Raeford Chamber of Commerce with the cooperation of the whole community and the streets were lined with kids and grownups from far and near and some 2000 or more gifts were given away to the kids. The proceedings were broadcast over Station WBO in Laurinburg. Chairman of the committee making arrangements was Chamber Director J. I. Hubbard. Police began clearing the street of cars shortly after noon and before three o'clock there was not one between the courthouse and the railroad.

The parade began at a few minutes to four and came south down Main street, Santa having arrived by air. Leading was State Highway Patrolman D. G. Surratt, followed immediately by a

car carrying Mayor W. L. Poole and members of the town board.

Floats were entered in the parade by Wayside Community, Business and Professional Women's club, Kiwanis club, Lions club and Raeford Woman's club. All were homemade and all were excellent. Float of the Raeford Lions club was picked as best in the parade.

Colors were carried by members of the National Guard unit, and heavy weapons and vehicles of the battery were in the parade. The Hoke High Homecoming Queen, and the Kings and Queens from the High, Graded and Primary schools in the Fall Festival all were there in convertibles. The Raeford Boy Scout troop with Cubs in the rear came by, and the Negro troop with colors in front and drums in the rear was quite snappy.

Bringing up the rear, of course, was the key man in the whole thing, Old Santa himself, riding in a fire truck. He arrived at the platform in front of the Bank and was properly greeted. He then spent a few minutes circulating in the crowd talking to his young friends, while his helpers were handing out gifts.

Recorder Hears 25 Cases In Long Session Tuesday

Sanatorium Escapee Gets More Time To Serve; Several Sent Away

Twenty-five cases went through recorder's court before Judge Henry McDiarmid Tuesday. Several of them were contested cases and a good part of the day was spent in trying them.

Pittman Bullard, Indian, was charged with breaking and entering the home of Pash Locklear and with damage to personal property. Probable cause was found and bond until Superior Court was continued at \$500.

As a result of the wreck and fire on the Laurinburg road a few weeks ago Walter Parker, colored truck driver, and W. H. Finley, white, were each charged with driving on the wrong side of the road. Parker was found not guilty and Finley was found guilty and ordered to pay the costs. Case was left open for appeal.

Alex Brigman, white man already under a suspended sentence, was found guilty of driving drunk with no driver's license and resisting arrest. The judge gave him two years, to include the suspended sentence. He appealed and posted a \$50 bond.

Malcolm, Willie, Taffie and Wilbur Hines, all colored, were charged with being drunk and disorderly and assaulting Ed McRae and Ralph Ellerbe. They were found not guilty.

James Edwards, colored, was charged by his wife with assault. By the time of trial she wanted to take up the papers, so the judge let her do so by paying the costs in the case.

James Lewis McLean, colored, was sent to the roads for two years for forcible trespass.

James Lowry, Indian, paid the costs for hunting without a license. George Morris, colored, got six months to be suspended on payment of \$125 and the costs for driving drunk and with no license. He went to the roads. Samuel Alfred, colored, got six months suspended on payment of the costs for driving drunk.

Speeders leaving \$25 each were William P. Arnold, P. H. Ghouhassian, Vainard Brooks, A. J. Lebato and A. C. Brooks, all white.

Brooks James, colored, got six months suspended on payment of costs and damages to Jim Howard for careless and reckless driving resulting in damage to Howard's car. Alphonso Johnson, colored, and Dalton Ivey, white, each paid \$10 and the costs for careless and reckless driving. Johnnie Benjamin Hollingsworth, colored, had to pay the costs for the same offense.

James Peterson, colored, paid \$10 and the costs for having improper brakes.

Willie Vann Smith, colored, paid \$25 and the costs for driving without a license.

Roland Cole, white, was found guilty of escaping from the prison ward at the Sanatorium. He was sentenced to serve not less than six nor more than 18 months at the expiration of his present sentence.

Woman's Club Asks Help For Koreans

Mrs. W. B. Heyward, president of the Raeford Woman's club, said this week that the club had been running a campaign called "Care For Korea" within the club for the purpose of raising funds to help feed and clothe the Korean civilians made homeless by the war.

Mrs. Heyward said that this campaign would close the first of next week and that anyone who wished to contribute along with the Woman's club might send their gift to Mrs. J. L. McNeill, treasurer.

Presbyterians Plan Christmas Musical Program For Sunday

The Chancel and Chapel Choirs of the Raeford Presbyterian church will present the cantata "The Shepherds' Christmas" by Morten Luvaas and Everett Hendricks on Sunday, December 16 at 7 p. m. The Chapel Choir, which is composed of Junior and Intermediate girls, will sing the part of the angels as well as several of the solo numbers.

The pageant, "Thou Shalt Call His Name Jesus," will be presented on December 23 at 7 p. m. The public is cordially invited to both programs.

Hoke Man Gets Badge For Combat

Pfc. Wilbert Malloy, McCain, has been awarded the Combat Infantryman Badge, a symbol of close-quarter fighting with the enemy, while serving with the 25th Infantry Division in Korea.

The badge, consisting of a miniature replica of a Revolutionary War flintlock mounted on a blue background and superimposed on a silver wreath, distinguishes the actual fighting men from rear area and service troops.

Malloy is a member of the 27th Infantry Regiment.

B. B. COLE, JR. HONORED

B. B. Cole, Jr., senior student at The Citadel, Charleston, South Carolina, has been selected to appear in "Who's Who In American Colleges and Universities". Students who win this honor are selected by a committee of faculty members on the basis of scholarship, leadership, ability and the probability of future success.

PERSONALS

Jimmie McBryde, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. McBryde, has returned to his home from Scotland County Memorial hospital, where he was a patient for about eight weeks suffering injuries he received when run over by an automobile. He is improving.

Mr. and Mrs. I. Mann and daughters attended the Jewish Welfare Board at the Center in Fayetteville Sunday.

Mrs. Kate McPhaul and Johnny visited Lt. and Mrs. Bliss Croft in Fort Bragg Sunday.

Miss Peggy Thomas of High Point and Miss Sue Gullledge spent the week end in Raleigh with friends. They attended the Christmas party of the Alpha Gamma Rho fraternity at State College Saturday evening.

Billy Lester of East Carolina College spent the week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Lester.

Mr. and Mrs. George Wood of Vanceboro spent the week end here with Mrs. Wood's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jessie Gullledge.

Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Harrison, Jr. and son, David, returned Sunday after spending several days in Baltimore, Maryland, with friends and relatives.

Mrs. Richard Whitaker of Syl-vester, Ga. spent several days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Blue. She spent the first of this week at Duke University doing oral work on her thesis, towards her master's degree.

Among Raeford people seen in Charlotte last week were: Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Lewis, Mrs. Julian Johnson, Mrs. Paul Dickson, Sr. and Mr. and Mrs. Tommie Upchurch.

George Aiken of Gastonia has accepted a position with the News-Journal. He is rooming at Mrs. H. A. Cameron's.

McDonald 1952 Chamber Head



NEILL A. McDONALD

Neill A. McDonald was elected president of the Raeford Chamber of Commerce, Inc., for 1952, by the chamber's board of directors at their organization meeting after the annual meeting of the membership was held at the courthouse last Thursday night.

About 25 members were present for the meeting and heard H. L. Gatlin, Jr., retiring president, report on the activities for this year and urge business people to continue to support the body in its activities.

Other officers chosen were Harvey Gobeille vice president, W. C. Phillips, treasurer, and Paul Dickson, secretary. New directors chosen by the membership for three-year terms are J. L. McNeill, J. I. Hubbard, Harvey Gobeille and W. C. Phillips. McDonald, the new president has been a member of the board of directors since the beginning and was active in organizing the chamber in 1947.

Ephesus B. T. U. Wins Banner At Lumberton Meeting

Mrs. W. S. Crawley, director of the BTU at Ephesus Baptist Church, and 22 members of the BTU attended the "Mobilization Night," held at the First Baptist Church in Lumberton on Monday night.

Harry Scheidermann, Jr. was the guest speaker and his topic was, "A Map and A Message." A filmstrip, "Christ Speaks to His Churches," was shown.

One of the attendance banners was awarded the Ephesus group for having the largest training union attendance on the basis of percentage of enrollment.

Joint Meeting Of Men Of Churches Tomorrow Night

There will be a joint meeting of the men of the Raeford Baptist, Methodist and Presbyterian churches at the Methodist church tomorrow night. Supper will be served at seven o'clock and the Baptists will be hosts.

Speaker for the occasion will be Dr. Hubert Potat, professor of Latin at Wake Forest College and former Imperial Grand Potentate of the Shriners of America.

Christmas Music At Baptist Church Sun.

There will be a special Christmas Musical program at the Raeford Baptist Church Sunday night, December 16, at 7:30. The program will be presented by the Junior and Youth Choirs of the church. Each choir will present several numbers and they will combine to sing "Away in a Manger" and "O Night of Holy Memory."

The soloists will be Betsy Ross Gatlin and C. J. Benner, Jr. The program will be directed by Miss Martha Pittman and Mrs. Arah Stuart will be organist. Everyone is cordially invited to attend.

Negro Youth Dies Of Knife Wounds Friday Night

Coroner Holds Another Under \$15,000 Bond After Hearing Wednesday

Two 17-year-old negro boys got into an argument about a cigarette near the Hector McNeill home in Blue Springs township shortly after midnight last Friday morning and one of them was stabbed to death. Coroner James C. Lentz, after a hearing yesterday afternoon, ordered Curtis Bandy held under a bond of \$15,000 for action of the grand jury for the death of James Edward Breeden. Danny Dupree, also about 17, said he was present when the stabbing took place at the road in front of the McNeill home.

The story as the coroner got it from Dupree is that Dupree and Breeden were sitting by the road when Bandy came up and asked Breeden for a cigarette which Breeden refused to give him, saying he had only three.

Dupree said that the two began scuffling and shoving each other around and passing blows and that finally Breeden landed a hard one on Bandy. At this Dupree said that Bandy got out his knife and Breeden was stuck one time and died right away.

Bandy came to Raeford and gave himself up to Sheriff D. H. Hodgkin the next day.

Glee Club, Band, Will Perform Tonight

This is the night for the annual Glee Club and Band Concert, which will be held in the Hoke High School auditorium again this year. The joint recital, with the Glee Club under the direction of Miss Doris Bradley and the Band under the baton of J. B. Renn, will have as its theme, "The Christmas Spirit."

Special arrangements will feature the first part of the program as the Glee Club performs. A quartet and a special chorus group will be heard.

Mr. Renn's assembly then takes the stage to present Christmas band music. Several new numbers have been learned by the band, and the concert is expected to be a success.

The program will start at eight o'clock.

Rear Parking Is Suggested Again

Mayor W. L. Poole this week called the attention of the Raeford merchants to the fact that business was helped last year by all cars owned by people working on the Main street being parked elsewhere for the last two weeks before Christmas, allowing customers to use the parking places.

The mayor urged that everyone on the street start this practice today—next time they move their cars, and continue it until Christmas. Nothing but common courtesy, in addition to good business, he says.

Apology

Due to mechanical difficulties apparently beyond our control we found it physically impossible to get out enough pages this week to take care of all the news and advertising.

We are leaving out news that should be run and ads as well, and there are several of our good advertisers we didn't even call on. We express our regret to all of these, and to our subscribers, and we will do all we can to get it all in next week.

So, if something that should be in the paper isn't, don't blame us, please. Just call it to our attention and we'll have it in there next Thursday.