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Hasty Heads Hoke PMA Committee

The Production and Marketing Administration county committee for Hoke County in the coming year will be R. J. Hasty, Chairman; C. D. Bostic, Vice-Chairman; and J. H. Blythe. These were elected at the county PMA convention which met Friday at the County Office Building. Delegates to the convention were elected by mail from Hoke County's 8 PMA communities.

The convention also elected R. D. Strother and Douglas McPhaul as first and second alternate committee members, respectively, to serve in the event anyone of the first three should become unable to serve at any time during the year. With the aid of community PMA committeemen elected by farmers in the various communities, the county PMA committee will administer the Agricultural Conservation Program, marketing quotas, and price support operations in the county during the coming year. They will also help administer crop production goals and other defense assignments as they arise.

All three members of the county PMA committee are members of the County Agricultural Mobilization Committee, R. J. Hasty being chairman of that group. The services of the PMA committeemen are available to all farmers in the county. Although they (Continued on Page 10)

Businesses To Take Different Days Off For Christmas

As announced in an advertisement in this issue most of the stores in the community and the Dundarrach Trading Company will be closed on Tuesday and Wednesday of next week for Christmas.

The Johnson Cotton Company of Raeford and Raeford Cleaners and Laundry Service will be closed on Tuesday, Christmas Day, only.

Raeford Lumber Company, The Johnson Company and the County Public Library will be closed Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. Hoke Auto Company, Raeford Auto Company and Morgan Motor Company will all be closed on Monday and Tuesday and will be open on Wednesday. The News-Journal will follow this schedule also in order that next week's paper may appear on Thursday as usual. The paper office will be open on Wednesday and will be glad to accept social and personal items for the paper until noon.

LEAVES FOR FAR EAST

Sgt. James R. Ray, son of Mrs. Marshall Ray of Rockfish and the late Mr. Ray left Saturday with the 118th Ordinance M.M. Co. for Fort Lawton, Wash., from where he will sail to join the Far East Command. Sgt. Ray was called to active duty from reserve status in August, 1950, with the first reserve unit to be called since the war started in Korea. Since that time he has been stationed at Fort Bragg, except for three months he spent at the Ordinance School, Aberdeen Proving Ground, Md. Sgt. Ray and his wife, the former Miss Jean McNeill, and their two-year old son have resided at their home on the Fayetteville Road. Mrs. Ray and son will make their home with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. J. McNeill, while Sgt. Ray is overseas.

LIONS TO JUDGE HOMES

The Raeford Lions club will judge the exterior decorations of the homes in Raeford this week and will award prizes for those rated first, second and third.

Guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Lester Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Archie Craig of Wilmington.

Funeral Service For Mrs. B. P. Robinson Sunday Afternoon

Funeral service was held at the Raeford Methodist church at 3:00 o'clock Sunday afternoon for Mrs. B. P. Robinson, who died at her home here Friday afternoon at about four-thirty o'clock after a long illness. She was 69 years of age last October 23. The service was conducted by the Rev. P. O. Lee, pastor, assisted by the Rev. H. B. Porter, pastor of the Troy Methodist church, an old friend of the family and a former superintendent of the Raleigh District, the Rev. Judson Lennon, pastor of the Raeford Baptist church, and the Rev. W. B. Heyward, pastor of the Raeford Presbyterian church. Burial was in the Raeford cemetery. Pallbearers were Frank Culbreth, R. B. Lewis, Younger Snead, C. L. Thomas, T. B. Upchurch and W. P. Baker.

Mrs. Robinson, the former Victoria Tew, was born in Sampson County near Clinton, daughter of the late Rev. and Mrs. John Oliver Tew, her father being a Baptist minister. She was married to the Rev. Mr. Robinson February 12, 1900. They came to Raeford in the fall of 1917 and stayed four years while Mr. Robinson was pastor of the Raeford Methodist church. They returned here to live in the fall of 1944 when Mr. Robinson retired due to her health. She had become partially paralyzed in September, 1943.

Since returning to Raeford the Robinsons lived in their home on the Fayetteville road about two miles from town until February of this year when they moved to the present residence on Donaldson avenue.

Surviving are her husband; 3 daughters, Mrs. Frances Davis of the home, Mrs. Dabney Allen of Fayetteville and Mrs. James E. Harkins of Pekin, Illinois; two sons, Earl H. Robinson of Raeford and Ben O. Robinson of Fayetteville; 12 grandchildren and one great grandchild; two sisters, Mrs. W. F. Tew of Greensboro and Mrs. M. M. Howell of Roseboro; two brothers, C. N. Tew of Norfolk, Va., and J. E. Tew of Greensboro.

Little River Man Wins Corn Contest

The four top men in the Hoke County 1951 Corn Growing Contest were awarded prizes of 75, 50, 25 and 15 silver dollars at a recent meeting in the Hoke County High School Auditorium, according to E. M. Stallings, County Agent.

Ed Simpson of Little River township was first place winner. Ira Newton of Antioch second, J. M. McGougan of Dundarrach third, and David Liles of Antioch fourth.

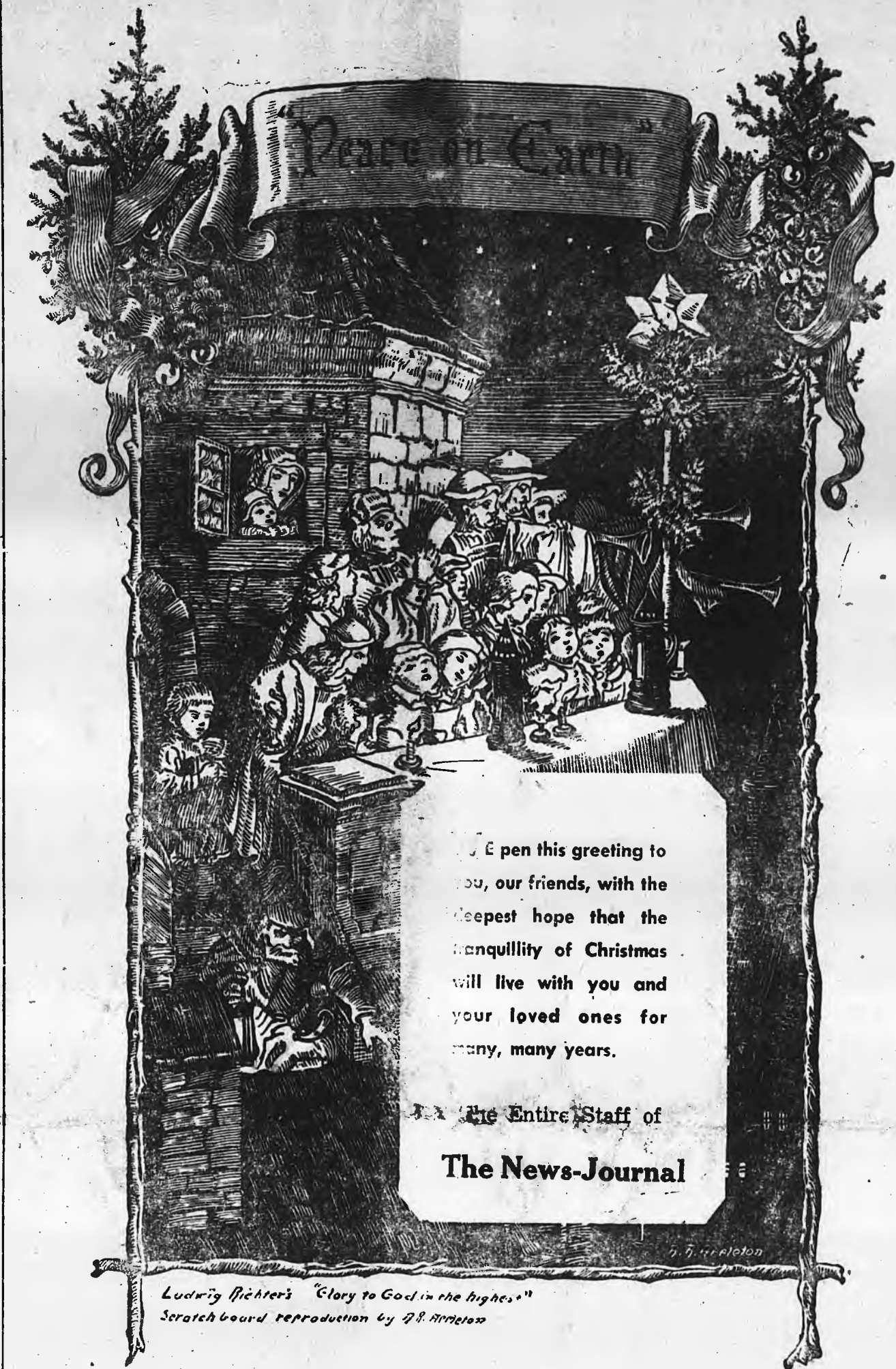
The contest was sponsored by the Bank of Raeford, Upchurch Milling Company, The Johnson Company, T. B. Upchurch Inc. (Seed Dept.), Johnson Cotton Company, McLaughlin Company and Dundarrach Trading Co. and was conducted by the County Agent's office.

All prizes were given in silver dollars and were awarded by Tom Cameron, R. B. Lewis, L. W. Turner, Tommie Upchurch, June Johnson, Pete Canaday and Tom McLaughlin.

The measured yield of Mr. Simpson's corn was 91 bushels per acre, while Mr. Newton produced 78.6, Mr. McGougan 75.3 and Mr. Liles 74.6.

The objective of this contest is to attain a higher yield per acre of corn in Hoke County at a lower cost per bushel. By encouraging the growers to follow the best known production practices it is felt this can be accomplished.

The four nearest competitors to the winners were J. W. Hasty of Allendale with a yield of 74 bushels per acre followed by J. R. Hendrix of Bethel with 73.7, and C. H. Marks and Larry Brooks of Little River with 72 bushels each.



Open this greeting to you, our friends, with the deepest hope that the tranquillity of Christmas will live with you and your loved ones for many, many years.

The Entire Staff of The News-Journal

John W. Sinclair, Local Girl's Husband, Dies In Philadelphia

John W. Sinclair, Jr., United States Navy, died early Monday morning in the Philadelphia Naval hospital from head injuries sustained in a fall aboard the U. S.S. Currituck on which he was working at the Philadelphia Navy Yard.

Funeral arrangements are incomplete pending the arrival of the remains.

Mr. Sinclair was the son of the late John and Mary Wilkes Sinclair of Maxton, and attended Maxton High School and Presbyterian Junior college before entering the Navy in 1942. He was a member of the Maxton Presbyterian church, and had seen extensive service in the Pacific during World War II. He returned to the United States in May of this year after ten months of service in the Korean theatre.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Martha Harris Sinclair and one daughter, Patsy, both of Raeford; one brother, Angus Sinclair of Maxton; three sisters, Miss Betty Jean Sinclair of Charlotte, Mrs. Ray Biser of China Grove and Mrs. A. G. Williams of Asheboro.

COURTHOUSE TO CLOSE

According to the ruling of the county commissioners at their last meeting, all county employees will be given next week off for Christmas. The courthouse, therefore, will be closed all week.

GINNING REPORT

Census report shows that 12,698 bales of cotton were ginned in Hoke County from the crop of 1951 prior to December 1, as compared with 5,498 bales to December 1, 1950 from the crop of that year.

Funeral Service For Pfc Hooper Held Last Week

Funeral service for Private First Class Robert M. Hooper, Jr., 28, whose body was returned from Korea, was conducted at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Hooper of the Ashley Heights community in Hoke county, Wednesday afternoon.

Rev. T. J. Whitehead of Aberdeen, Rev. L. M. Hall of Red Springs and Rev. Ray Gosnell of Ashley Heights were the officiating ministers. Burial was in the Ashley Heights cemetery.

Pfc. Hooper died of hemorrhagic fever, an Oriental disease, in Korea, August 22 of this year. He had been overseas since April. He entered service November 15, 1950, received basic training at Fort Jackson, S. C., and later had been stationed at Fort Bliss, Tex.

Born in Birmingham, Alabama, January 18, 1925, Pfc. Hooper had lived most of his life in Hoke county. He was a 1942 graduate of Hoke County High school and had worked as an electrician before entering the army.

Prior to his death, Pfc. Hooper had been stationed at Cheryun, Korea, about 20 miles from the 38th parallel, with an antiaircraft unit of the Third Infantry division.

The Hoke County soldier was the only child of Mr. and Mrs. Hooper. He was one of the first deceased servicemen to be returned to this area from Korea.

Among those who attend State College home for the holidays are: Johnny Sinclair, Buddy Blue, Bobby Gibson, Jimmy McGougan, Carson Davis, James Tapp, Hamer Leach, John Eubanks and David Gibson.

Mrs. Baker's Father Dies In Pine Level; Funeral Held Friday

Doc Berry Oliver, prominent 84-year-old resident of Pine Level and father of Mrs. Walter P. Baker of Raeford, died at his home in Pine Level at about 11:00 o'clock last Wednesday night.

Funeral services were conducted at the Pine Level Missionary Baptist church at three o'clock Friday afternoon by the pastor, the Rev. J. L. Jones. Burial was in the Oliver family cemetery.

Mr. Oliver was a founder of the Bank of Pine Level in 1890 and was its president from that time until his death. He was a graduate of Wake Forest College.

former chairman of the Johnston County commissioners, school board member, superintendent of his Sunday school, president of the Pine Level Oil Co., cotton gin operator, operator of the firm of W. B. Oliver and sons and was an extensive farmer. He was a native of Robeson county and moved to Pine Level when he was three years of age.

He was first married to Ione Crocker of Pine Level who died in 1911. Surviving this union are three daughters and one son, including Mrs. Walter Baker. In 1913 he married Mary Mitchiner of Wilson Mills and she survives along with three sons. Also surviving are one sister eight grandchildren, one great-grandson and several nieces and nephews.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Rockholz and Mrs. Rockholz's brother, Ronnie Edmonds, are leaving tomorrow for New London, Conn. to spend the Christmas holidays with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. John Lopez of Washington, D. C. were week end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Fann.

Mrs. Edgar Hall Dies Tuesday; Funeral Today

Funeral service will be conducted at the Raeford Presbyterian church at 11:00 o'clock this morning for Mrs. Katie McMillan Hall, wife of Former Sheriff Edgar Hall, who died at her residence here at 9:45 o'clock Tuesday night after an illness of several months. The service will be conducted by the Rev. W. B. Heyward, pastor, and burial will follow in the Raeford cemetery.

Mrs. Hall was born in Robeson County April 4, 1879, daughter of the late Zachary Taylor McMillan and Anne Murphy McMillan. She had lived in Hoke County since its formation. She and Mr. Hall were married January 21, 1903 and lived at Dundarrach for some time, moving to their present residence in Raeford in 1914. She was a member of the Raeford Presbyterian church.

She is survived by three daughters, Miss Josephine Hall of the home, Mrs. J. B. Eubanks of Wingate and Mrs. Archie M. Byrne of Raeford; one granddaughter, Anne Murphy Byrne of Raeford; one stepson, Raymond Hall of Fayetteville; three brothers, Murph McMillan of Lumber Bridge, Vance McMillan of Fayetteville and Duncan McMillan of Parkton; four sisters, Mrs. M. A. McMillan, Misses Meta and Mary Belle McMillan, all of Parkton and Mrs. Ausley Barnhart of Lenoir.

4-H Pig Chain Started Recently

A 4-H Club purebred Pig Chain was started in Hoke County recently with the placing of 7 gilts and 1 male with club members, according to E. M. Stallings, County Agent.

These pigs were placed with: Billy Everleigh, Fred Holland, Robert Currie, Bobby Vanhoy, Clyde Leach, Bobby Walters and Charlie Jacobs.

This chain is sponsored by the Sears-Roebuck Foundation and directed by the County Agent's office.

Each member has agreed to feed, care for and breed the gilts properly and repay at the end of 11 months the original cost of the pig received. This money will in turn be used to purchase another group of gilts. This will make it possible to carry on an endless pig chain year after year.

The pigs will be brought to Raeford next April to compete in a pig show, at which time they will be judged for best development as breeding stock. Each animal will be fitted and shown in the show ring.

Prizes will be awarded at this show for the top three gilts.

The pigs used this year are of the Hereford Breed and were purchased from J. M. McGougan of near Dundarrach.

Robert Herriford Receives Commission

Robert Levi Herriford, for some time a resident of Raeford until he reentered the Army last year, received his bars as a second lieutenant on December 15 in ceremonies at the Officers Candidate School at Fort Riley, Kansas. He had attended the school since July of this year. He was a member of the local National Guard unit while here.

He is married to the former Miss Muriel Davis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Davis, and they have two sons.

PINE FOREST TREE

The annual Pine Forest Christmas tree party will be held at the community house on Friday night, December 21, at 7:00 o'clock. All in the community are expected to attend and to bring inexpensive gift, each for a person his or her own age, and something to "pound the preacher".

3 Drunk Drivers, Pay Fines In Court Tuesday

Others Pay For Speeding, Bootlegging, Bad Brakes, Letting Cow Eat Corn

The docket before Judge Henry McDiarmid Tuesday morning included a fairly interesting variety of cases. Two white men, John Martin and John D. Phillips, and William Fairley Burke, colored, each paid \$100 and the costs for driving drunk. Martin also had to pay an extra \$25 for having no driver's license.

Miss Mallie Kinlaw, white, had to pay costs in a case charging that her cow had been allowed to eat corn in an unharvested field.

Roy Monroe and Sally Monroe, colored, were found guilty in two cases of violating the prohibition laws, one on home brew and the other on having non-tax-paid liquor for sale. Sally got six months in jail suspended on payment of \$100 and the costs. Roy got one year on the roads suspended on payment of \$300 fine and two years good behavior.

Harvey Lee Ray, white, was found not guilty of careless and reckless driving.

George Hunt, white, pleaded guilty on charge by C. J. Benner of disposing of mortgage property. He had to pay the costs and straighten out with Benner.

Bessie Faulk, colored, paid the costs for violating the prohibition laws.

Speeders included Charles Walker and Richard DeSilva, white, and Willie Douglas Cole, colored, \$10 and costs each; G. B. Shirley, J. H. Wynne, Jr., white, and C. E. Williams, colored, \$25 bands forfeited by each. Charles G. Bryan, white, \$25 and the costs.

For having no driver's licenses Lonie Bullard, white, Herbert Jones and Booker T. Rooker, colored, each paid \$25 and the costs.

For driving improperly equipped cars J. L. Leach, W. H. Adams and Fred McCormick, all colored, each paid \$10 and the costs. Clarence McCollum, colored, paid \$10 and the costs for failing to stop at a stop sign.

Charles E. Herndon, white, paid \$25 and the costs for careless and reckless driving.

Gus J. Ratley Dies; Buried Wednesday

Gus James Ratley, 75, died Monday night at his home in Raeford. A native of Cumberland County, he had engaged in farming in Hoke County for several years. He was a son of the late John and Elizabeth Ratley.

Surviving are three daughters, Mrs. Burkley Rogers and Mrs. Jessie Tew, both of Raeford, and Mrs. S. P. Hall of Parkton; one brother, Alex Ratley, Wake Forest; two sisters, Mrs. Laborn Jackson, Hope Mills and Mrs. W. M. Johnson, Jonesboro.

Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock at Parkton Baptist Church. Services were conducted by the Rev. S. Judson Lennon and the Rev. J. M. Gibbs. Burial was in Parkton cemetery.

GORDON INFANT DIES; BURIED AT BETHEL

Dennis Harold Gordyn, six-months-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Gordon died at a Fayetteville hospital Monday afternoon after an illness of only a few hours. Funeral was conducted at Bethel Presbyterian church at 3:00 o'clock Tuesday by the Rev. S. A. Ewart and burial was in the church cemetery.

Surviving in addition to his parents are one brother, Larry, and his grandparents, Mrs. John Ivey and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Gordon.