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YOUR SCHOOL NEWS

By K. A. MacDonald

The school phase of the "March of Dimes" has come to an end. We never saw so many dimes in our life. We are sure the Bank of Raeford won't need dimes for a long time.

We are extremely proud of the showing the schools made. They raised \$1705.13. A goal of one fifty cent card per child in membership was adopted. This was reached.

A prize was offered for the child in the county filling the most cards. This was won by Dixon Hall of the 8th grade at Hoke High. Dixon got 60 cards filled. He brought in a total of \$30.07. Others deserving honorable mention are Nancy Cloer of Ashmont with 32 cards, Patsy Irion of Mildouson with 21 cards, Gertrude Gilchrist of Bowmore with 20 cards, Jimmy Byrd of Raeford Graded with 19 cards, and Clinton McLauchlin of Burlington with 12 cards. We congratulate these young people on the splendid work they did for this worthy cause.

The list of schools and amounts raised follows: Ashmont \$33.25, Hoke High \$223.90, Mildouson \$39.70, Raeford Graded \$420.01, Rockfish \$23.70, Antioch \$8.57, Macedonia \$7.25, Bowmore \$100, Buffalo \$14.32, Burlington \$206.43, Freedom \$25.00, Friendship \$15.00, Frye's Mission \$28.10, Laurel Hill \$100.00, McFarland \$9.08, New Hope \$19.00, Peachmont \$11.46, Rockfish Col. \$8.10, Shady Grove \$7.50, Timberland \$7.85, Upchurch \$23.55, White Oak \$9.03. We think this is a wonderful record and we congratulate the schools and the pupils in their splendid effort.

Felix J. Banker, Director of Special Education, State Department of Public Instruction, was a visitor in the county this week.

The Board of Education will meet at 7:30 p. m. on February 15. Building problems will be the main subjects for discussion.

Hoke High has done lots of work on the "pasture" this week. Trees were removed and the land leveled. A splendid playground is in process of being made. The town is assisting the school with the drainage and leveling. This help is greatly appreciated.

Last Friday night the Ashmont school and lunchroom gave a barbecue in honor of the PTA. The supper and program was enjoyed by a large number of parents. Several new members were secured for the PTA.

Last Wednesday evening the Mildouson PTA held what was considered by many the best and best attended meeting of their PTA in the history of the school. We are glad that this organization is in such excellent shape.

Dr. Cherry, Dentist with the Division of Oral Hygiene, State Board of Health, is in the county for five weeks work in the colored schools.

We are expecting the white dentist at an early date.

COUNTY COTTON REPORT OVER TWICE LAST YEAR

Census report shows that 14,252 bales of cotton were ginned in Hoke County from the crop of 1951 prior to January 16, 1952, as compared with 5,536 from the crop of 1950. For the State 522,469 bales were ginned in 1951 as compared with 188,997 in 1950. Hoke County ranked 13th in production among the 40 cotton-growing counties of the State.

Mrs. W. B. McLauchlin, who has been a patient at Moore County hospital for the past two weeks, is not well enough to come home.

Arrest Made In Car Stealing, Looting Cases

Robert McLeod, colored, may have tried to loot or steal one car too many here last Saturday night, if he is the man who has been giving car owners the jitters around here for the past week or two as officers think he well may be.

On Saturday night Raeford policemen say he was caught about an hour after dark entering the car of Ray Privette, who lives in the Bank of Raeford building and operates the cafe at Allen Truck terminal one mile east of Raeford. It is said that Privette, returning to his car in the ally back of Wood's Furniture store, surprised McLeod in the act of using a beer opener on his glove compartment. McLeod ran and Privette caught him and gave him a fair going over by the time officer C. J. McNeill of the police force arrived.

McLeod was charged with stealing the car of William Lamont, Jr. in recorder's court Tuesday, as well as with breaking and entering two others. Probable cause was found and defendant posted \$500 bond for his appearance in Superior court.

Hoke Girls Get 16th Win Tuesday As Boys Lose

By Bruce Phillips

The Hoke County High school basketball teams took two games out of three against Central of Cumberland County here Tuesday night in their last regularly scheduled appearance of the season. The Hoke girls team raised their season record to an impressive 16 to one in regular play by winning, and the junior boys also won. The varsity boys went down by a 56 to 48 score.

The girls from Hoke took over the Central girls with comparative ease, 45 to 28. Sarah Cole dumped in a total of 19 points to take scoring honors for the victors. Lydia Williams was runner-up with 16 to her credit. Ina Scull and Ellen Kate Koonce, the "dancer twins," collaborated in a fine floor game for the "Does".

The Central boys varsity fought off a Hoke High rally in the final quarter and came out victorious, 56 to 48, in the nightcap. The "Bucks" scored a total of 33 points in the second half to Central's 21, but couldn't overcome the terrific lead they were facing.

John McLauchlin and Bobby Lundy, performing valiantly for the losers, poured in 17 and 11 points, respectively. Jimmy White and Johnny McPhaul were the local defensive standouts. Both turned in splendid floor games. Central's Shorty Jernigan and Elmond Bullard racked up 12 points apiece with Robert Cooper performing well on the defensive side.

Hoke High winds up regular season play at Red Springs tomorrow night. Next week they will participate in the Cumberland County tournament to be held at Massey Hill gymnasium Feb. 20 to 26. Boys, girls and junior boys teams will participate.

Local Man's Mother Buried In Dunn Mon.

Mrs. Letha S. Porter, 54, of Dunn RFD 3, died Saturday night en route to the Dunn hospital. She suffered a heart attack at her home and died while being rushed to the hospital. Funeral services were held in Dunn Monday afternoon and burial was in Greenwood cemetery there.

Surviving are her husband, her mother, six sons including James Porter of Raeford, two daughters, six brothers, two sisters and nine grandchildren.

PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. I. Mann and family spent Sunday in Elizabethtown.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Gullede and Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Williamson of Fayetteville spent Sunday in Greensboro with Mr. and Mrs. Dick Paschal. Miss Sue Gullede, who had been visiting in Greensboro returned to Raeford with them.

Mrs. Frances Falk, has returned home after having been a patient at Pittman's hospital, Fayetteville for three weeks.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Hinson Walters were patients at Moore County Hospital last week. She has returned to her home, but he remained in the hospital. However, his condition shows improvement.

Mrs. M. D. Gentry, Mrs. Bill Garrett and children, and Bob Gentry of Roxboro, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Carlton Niven from Thursday until Sunday.

Miss Margaret Gainey has accepted a clerical position with the Hoke Oil and Fertilizer Company.

Mrs. James Currie, who was with the REA for several years has accepted a position in the office of Robbins Mill. Her sister, Miss Anne Carter, formerly with the Bank of Raeford has accepted a clerical position at Robbins.

Miss Bonnie Kate Blue left Thursday of last week for Lockport, N. Y. On Saturday afternoon she was a bridesmaid at the wedding of her friend, Miss Beth Alameda Dobbins to Lt. Monroe Winsor Ramage III. The wedding took place in the Emanuel Methodist Church, Lockport. The bride is a graduate of Queens College, and has often visited Bonnie Kate in Raeford.

Miss Katherine MacDonald attended the Hospitality Week End at Queens College, February 8-10.

Mr. and Mrs. Kerr Stevens, returned last week from a visit to Yeardon, Pa. where they visited Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Purcell. Mrs. Purcell is Mr. Steven's sister.

W. C. Phillips, local OPS chairman, and Younger Snead of the local committee attended a meeting at the Raleigh OPS office last week.

Miss Lettie McMillan underwent a major operation at Moore County hospital on Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Deering and daughter, Carol of Washington Courthouse, Ohio, spent most of last week with Mr. and Mrs. Neil Senter. The Deerings and Senter became friends while they were in the Army.

A. R. Fitzsimmons, who is a patient at Veterans Hospital visited his wife and children at the home of Mrs. Fitzsimmons' mother, Mrs. Ryan McBryde the past week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Peele and son of Harrisburg, N. C. visited Mr. Ed Peele and family Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Koonce had as their guests Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Turlington and three children, a brother, Woodrow Turlington, Mr. and Mrs. James Tew and children of Salernburg, Mr. and Mrs. Furman Martin of Fayetteville, and Mr. and Mrs. Harper Coydell of Clinton.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Morrison and daughter are spending a two week vacation in Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Newsome and little daughter, Ruth, of Raleigh, and Mrs. Hugh Odom of Ahoskie were guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. McDuffie Sunday.

Edison McGirt is a patient at Scotland Memorial Hospital. He underwent an operation Saturday morning.

Cpl. Neill B. Cox is home on furlough from Korea.

Mrs. B. L. Cox has been quite sick for several days.

Mrs. Richard L. Burkhart of Seymour, Indiana arrived in Fayetteville by plane last week. She came especially to see her father, W. J. McNeill, who recently returned from a Fayetteville hospital, after having had a severe heart attack.

Lucius A. Biggs Dies Monday A. M.; Buried At Antioch

Lucius Angus Biggs, 59-year-old resident of Shannon, Route 1, died Monday morning in a Fayetteville hospital after a brief illness.

He was a son of Jane Huckabee Biggs and the late David Biggs of the Antioch section, of which he was a native.

Funeral services were conducted at three o'clock yesterday afternoon at Antioch Presbyterian church by the pastor, the Rev. Gower Crosswell. Burial was in the church cemetery.

He is survived by his wife, the former Ruby Broom; a son, Sgt. Lucius A. Biggs, Jr., in Korea; five daughters, Mrs. Clyde Pittman of Raeford, Mrs. Woodrow Conzens of Trinity, Mrs. William Penny of Fort Bragg, Mrs. William Melton of Shannon and Mrs. Hector King of Miami, Fla.; two sisters, Mrs. Hugh Thompson of Johnson City, Tenn., and Mrs. Ruria Shelton of Antioch, a teacher in the Raeford Elementary school; his mother, Mrs. Jane Biggs of Antioch; and eight grandchildren.

Plan Meeting To Organize Jaycees

It was announced this week that meeting would be held in the library at the High school at seven o'clock next Tuesday night, February 19, for the purpose of organizing a Raeford Junior Chamber of Commerce. If formed, the local chapter is to be sponsored by the Fayetteville Junior chamber.

Harry Stewart, N. C. Jaycee president, will be present along with Jerry Stockard, state secretary, also of Raleigh. Local men aged 21 to 36 are invited to attend the meeting, which will last not over one hour.

Next Legion Meeting Set For March 7th

The monthly meeting of the Ellis Williamson American Legion post will be held Friday night, March 7, at seven o'clock in the Hoke High school cafeteria. Due to conflicting dates the meeting scheduled for this month had to be postponed.

All members and prospective members are urged by Commander R. B. Lewis to attend the meeting, as there are several matters of importance to be discussed. A turkey dinner will be served. He said that about 65 veterans were members of the post and urged others to join.

Lions, B & PW Clubs Giving Minstrel

The Raeford Lions club and the Raeford Business and Professional Woman's club are working together and have been for some time getting ready for the two-night run of their minstrel show at the county high school tomorrow and Saturday nights.

The affair is being staged with top local talent and proceeds will be used in work by the clubs with blind and underprivileged children.

TOWN TAG DEADLINE

Mayor W. L. Poole said this week that the police force would not take Raeford residents to court for not having town tags on their cars before February 29. After that date they will have to pay mayor's court costs as well as the cost of the tag if found guilty, he said.

GO TO SCOUT MEETING

Dr. R. L. Murray, Israel Mann and Younger Snead attended a meeting of the Cape Fear Area Council, Boy Scouts of America, in Bladenboro Monday night.

County Exceeds Dimes Quota By More Than \$2000

Report this week on the March of Dimes in the county was supposed to have been final, but Chairman H. D. Harrison, Jr. said yesterday that he knew of more money still to come in, so the report which follows is, still not complete. It is, however, just about the whole story.

The county as a whole exceeded its quota of \$5,000 by \$2,245, taking in a total of \$7,245. The receipts by townships in the drive are as follows: Allendale \$423.24, quota \$350; Antioch \$624.73, quota \$500; Blue Springs \$580.83, quota \$350; Little River \$541.64, quota \$300; McLauchlin \$515.40, quota \$750; Stonewall \$946.27, quota \$500; Quenwhiffle \$716.24, quota \$750; Raeford \$2896.65, quota \$2500. Anyone adding the quotas will note that they total \$6000 instead of five. This was done on purpose by the committee in order to be a little more certain of reaching the actual quota for the county as a whole.

Figures for the schools of the county may be found in the school news column.

Expenses of the drive paid so far are as follows: Miss North Carolina, \$50; Hal Gore for orchestra \$18; J. W. Best for supper for Miss North Carolina and party \$15; Sarah Lyth for expenses for Miss North Carolina \$5; Fred Fletcher for expenses \$5. The chairman said there were still several small expense items yet to be paid also.

Red Cross Chapter Holds Two Meetings

Meetings of the Hoke County American Red Cross were held in the Red Cross office here on February first and eighth. A special district representative was present and assisted at both meetings, which were held for the purpose of reorganizing the chapter.

The chapter accepted the resignation of Dr. R. L. Murray as chairman with regret, and it was pointed out that he had served the chapter as chairman since 1928, giving much time and effort to the Red Cross during these years.

Charles Hostetler was chosen by the chapter to succeed Dr. Murray and other officers picked were W. T. Jones vice-chairman, Mrs. John McGoogan home service chairman, Tom McLauchlin chapter treasurer and Mrs. W. R. Barrington home service secretary.

County Board Raises Jurors Pay To \$5.00

At their February meeting the county commissioners voted to raise the pay for jury service in the county to \$5 a day in the future. The rate had been \$3 a day for many years and the fact was called to the board's attention by the Grand jury at the last term of Superior court.

The board also received \$120,000 of the school building funds from the sale of anticipation notes and voted to deposit this money to the credit of the board of education as soon as this body posts acceptable security.

Possibilities for a replacement for E. M. Stallings as county agent were discussed by the board and two men were to be contacted about the position.

Two road improvement delegations from the county were heard by the board and both requests were to be discussed with the State Highway commission.

SQUARE DANCE FRIDAY

There will be a square dance tomorrow night at Hendrix Grill for the benefit of the Mildouson school, sponsored by the school's PTA.

H.D. Council Plans For District Meeting Here In April

The Hoke County Council of Home Demonstration Clubs met on Tuesday afternoon in the Lions Club room in Raeford with 29 officers and leaders present. Mrs. Tom Sinclair, County Council President, presided. The meeting began with the singing of "Hail Club Women; Crowned Thru Service" in the new Club song book.

Mrs. Bernice Williamson, secretary and treasurer, read the minutes of the last meeting, called the roll of clubs and gave the treasurer's report.

The items of business discussed were as follows: Federation plans for the new Home Demonstration building on the State College campus, the Federation cookbook which is to contain southern colonial recipes, the Homemaker's Creed contests, the good reading project, and the county budget.

The district meeting to be held on April 9, at the Methodist church in Raeford was discussed and committees appointed to assist with the preparations. The Mildouson club was asked to make corsages for the guests. The Antioch club members were asked to have charge of the flowers for the meeting, and the Ashmont club was picked to serve on the clean-up committee.

Mrs. Sinclair urged the Council members to participate in the "Better Rural Mail Box Drive" being sponsored by the clubs in the county.

Mrs. Mary L. McAllister, District Agent of Raleigh, spoke to the group on the statewide music program which Home Demonstration clubs are sponsoring in every county in the state.

Miss Josephine Hall, Hoke County Home Agent, announced that Mrs. Gower Crosswell, the wife of the new Presbyterian minister of Antioch, had been secured to direct a county-wide community chorus. Miss Hall reported that Mrs. Crosswell said she would like to have both men and women join the chorus which is to be organized in the near future.

Miss Hall also announced that several women from the county would attend the meeting on "Briefing of World Affairs" to be held at Chapel Hill on Thursday, February 14th.

Native Returns To Join Police Force

C. Ervin Morrison, Raeford native who has been living elsewhere for the past 25 years or so, this week returned as a member of the police force. He is presently on the night shift.

Morrison, 37, lived as a child with his family at 206 West Fifth Avenue in the house more recently occupied by Carson Davis and family. At that time his father worked with the Page Ford Co., located in the building now occupied by The Johnson Company.

After leaving here he grew up in Southern Pines, joining the police force there as soon as he was old enough and serving for about 14 years before leaving for an other job. More recently he has been a policeman at Mt. Olive, N. C. and comes here from there. His wife and their two daughters and one son live in Southern Pines where one daughter will finish high school this year.

He was elected to the job by the town board at their meeting February 4.

POST OFFICE MOVES

Don't look for the Raeford Post Office next to the Bank of Raeford any more. It can now be found in the new building next to the town hall on the west side of North Main street, just across the street from the courthouse. Movement was completed Tuesday afternoon and early yesterday and some way or other business as usual went on during most of the regular business hours involved. Address is 311 North Main street.

Several Sent Off By Recorder In Court Tuesday

Five Drunks Pay Costs

Three defendants were sent to the roads by Judge Henry McDiarmid in recorder's court Tuesday, two for stealing and one for driving after his license has been revoked.

James Blue, colored, pleaded guilty of assault and the larceny of some gasoline. He went away for a total of seven months. Chasman Covington, colored, also got a total of seven months. He pleaded guilty of stealing some pants, and a pair of hair clippers and jumping a taxi bill in three cases. The third to get a road sentence was Thomas Lee Whitley, colored. He got six months, to be suspended on payment of \$200 and the costs for driving after his license had been revoked, but didn't have the money.

John McDiarmid McNeill, white, was charged with driving drunk. The State accepted a plea of guilty of careless and reckless driving and Judge McDiarmid fined him \$25 and the court costs. Mack Jones, colored, got five months suspended on payment of \$125 and the costs for driving drunk and without license.

Paying the costs for being drunk and disorderly were Jones McRae, Curtis Gilchrist, Albert Galbraith and Ida Barrett, colored, and Wade S. Fields, white.

Alex Campbell and Clarence Williams, both colored, got three months each in separate cases for violating the prohibition laws by having stills, etc. Each sentence was suspended on payment of \$25 and the costs.

Willie Edward Barton, white, paid \$25 and the costs for having no driver's license.

Thelma C. Harris, white, paid the costs for failing to stop at a stop sign.

Robert Washington, colored, paid the costs and repaired damages to a tobacco barn for careless and reckless driving and damage to property.

John and Ella McArn, colored, paid \$10 and the costs each for violating the prohibition laws.

Joe Elmo Swan, white, was found guilty of escaping from the prison division of the Sanatorium. He was sent back with not less than six nor more than 18 months to be added to his sentence.

Town Board Plans To Slow Down Speeders

At the regular monthly meeting of the board of commissioners of the town of Raeford on Monday February 4, an ordinance was unanimously passed regarding speeds at which vehicles may be driven on the streets of Raeford.

The ordinance reads: "That any person, firm or corporation who shall drive an automobile, truck or motorcycle at a rate of speed greater than 20 miles per hour in the business section or 35 on any street in Raeford after the enactment of this ordinance and shall plead guilty or be found guilty thereof, shall be liable to a fine of not to exceed \$50 and costs of the case or be imprisoned for a period of 30 days."

Ever see a corporation drive a car??

Mrs. Elsie Kennedy Buried Here Saturday

Mrs. Elsie Mae Kennedy, wife of C. C. Kennedy, of Fayetteville, route 3, died last Thursday afternoon after several months of declining health. Funeral service was conducted in Fayetteville Saturday morning by the Rev. W. B. Heyward, pastor of the Raeford Presbyterian church, and burial was in Raeford cemetery.

Surviving in addition to her husband are her mother, a sister and a brother.