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YOUR SCHOOL NEWS

By K. A. MacDonald

On Monday evening at Hoke High, Dr. R. M. Fink, Mental Hygiene Consultant, with the School Health Coordinating Service, talked to a county-wide teachers meeting on "Mental Health" as it relates to teacher and pupils relationship.

He was brought to the meeting by the Professional Service Committee of the Hoke County Unit of NCEA. Should the teachers vote favorably an effort will be made by the committee to arrange for Dr. Fink to carry on a workshop in the county on Mental Health during the school year 1952-53. He closed a workshop of this type for the colored teachers of the county on Monday afternoon. These teachers were well pleased and felt that their time had been well spent. Some expressed the opinion that a much better relationship had been established between teacher and pupil and also between teacher and parents as a result of the workshop. Others felt that they had been able to work with less strain and tension, consequently improving the atmosphere of the class some and pupil wellbeing.

We are happy to announce that W. P. Phillips, head of the vocational agricultural department of Hoke High, has organized an adult education class in education. This class meets each Monday evening and is open to any farmer in Hoke County who wishes to enroll. The class is most democratic in its organization. The course of study is outlined by the class itself and only those subjects in which the class is interested will be studied.

The regular monthly inspection of school buses by the highway patrol took place Monday. All buses were found to be in apple pie order. An unqualified okay was given each bus. Parents and pupils should appreciate this good work on the part of our mechanics.

Attendance in the various (Continued on Page 10)

Presbytery's Youth To Rally Sunday At Flora Macdonald

The young adults of Fayetteville Presbytery will hold their annual spring rally at Flora Macdonald College Sunday afternoon March 9. Registration will begin at 2:00 o'clock, followed by an inspirational service with music by the college choral club under the direction of Professor James Cobb with Professor John Williams at the organ. Mr. Cobb and his robed choir will lead the congregational singing during the entire service.

Dr. Price H. Gwynn, Jr., will bring the inspirational message, using as his topic, "Achieving Emotional Stability."

A period of recreation will be held under the direction of Bob Fakema of Highland Presbyterian church of Fayetteville. Orvo Perkins, president of Presbytery's young adults, will preside at the meeting, which is designed to stimulate a richer fellowship, broader vision and higher spiritual values among the group, which will represent a number of churches and communities.

A business session will follow the program and a picnic supper will be served at six o'clock in the college dining hall. All delegates will bring their own suppers, except the drinks, which will be furnished by the host group.

A nursery will be provided for the benefit of parents who may wish to bring small children.

Franklin County 4-H Club boys are showing increasing interest in beef cattle production.

Queens College Choir To Sing Here Next Week

The Queens College choir of 32 voices will be presented in concert on Thursday, March 13 in the Raeford Presbyterian Church, at 8 p. m. The choir is directed by John A. Holliday, professor of music, and is now making its annual spring tour which will include concerts in Georgia, North Carolina, and South Carolina.

One section of the concert will feature the famous lyric poem, "The Blessed Damsel," by Dante Gabriel Rossetti, in the musical setting by Claude Debussy. Soloists will be Miss Catherine Edgerton, Concord, and Miss Roberta Jones, Columbia, S. C. Another feature of the concert will be a new motet by Frederick Breydret, young German composer now residing in New York.

The offertory solo, Adagio from Sonata VIII by Haydn, will be played by E. Lindsey Merrill, assistant professor of violin and theory at Queens. He will be accompanied by Miss June Faulk, Charlotte.

Among the 32 members of the choir is Miss Bonnie Blue, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. N. B. Blue of Raeford.

TO WORK AT SEARS

Phil Johnson, for some time a veterans agriculture teacher at Hoke High school, is now in Richmond, Virginia, where he is taking a course in farm implements, selling, etc., before joining Sears, Roebuck and Co. in Fayetteville, in the farm implement division.

Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Currie have bought the house recently vacated by Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Stallings in Sunset Hills, and moved into last week. Mr. and Mrs. J. C. McKenzie, who have made their home with Mr. McKenzie's sister, Mrs. Reid Childress and Mr. Childress since the Dalton house burned, have moved into the house vacated by Mr. and Mrs. Currie on Bethel Road, Sunset Hills.

A. B. Scott, Former Surry County Sheriff, Dies Sunday At 91

A. B. Scott, former Surry County sheriff who celebrated his 91st birthday August 29, 1951, died here Sunday at the home of his daughter, Mrs. M. L. Jones. Mr. Scott had made his home with Mrs. Jones for the past 11 years.

He had been in declining health for the past four years and was confined to his room. Prior to coming here he lived at Shoals in Surry County.

Funeral services were conducted at the Shoals Baptist church, near Pilot Mountain, at two o'clock Tuesday afternoon by the Rev. J. L. Powers, pastor. Burial was in the church cemetery.

Besides Mrs. Jones, he is survived by five other children, Mrs. H. L. Powell of Winston-Salem, C. H. Scott, A. U. Scott and T. H. Scott, all of Shoals, and J. F. Scott of Jonesboro Heights; 37 grandchildren, 66 great-grandchildren and three great-great-grandchildren.

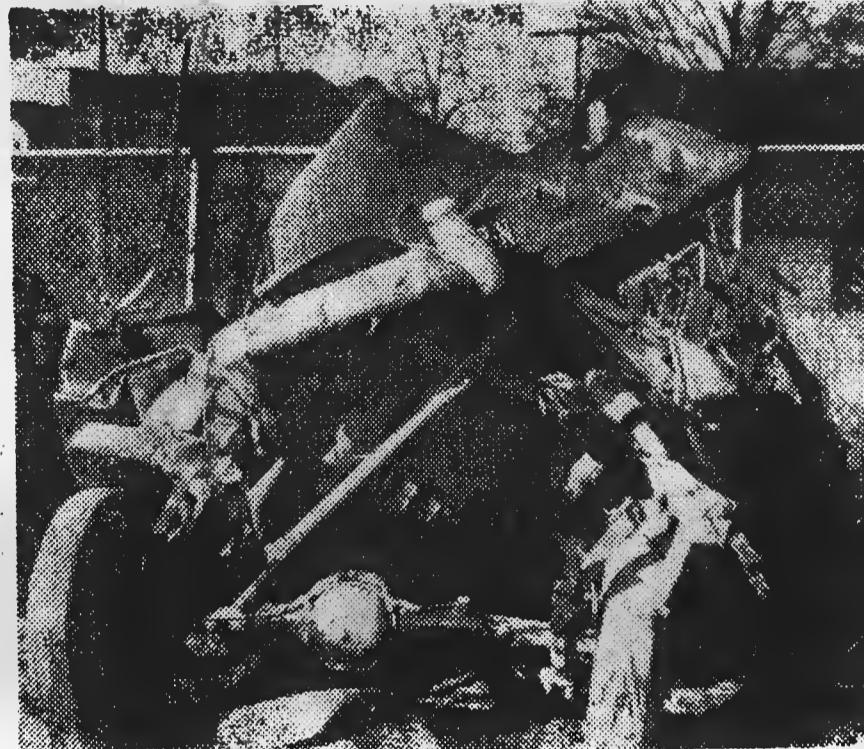
Wreck Saturday P. M. Hurts 1; Others Go

State Highway patrolmen investigated a wreck at about 10:00 o'clock Saturday night on the Antioch-Dundarrach road about a mile from the Antioch end of it. They found that Alex Brigman, white had been injured and pinned in one car, and that the other car had been unattended on the shoulder of the road. Brigman said he was not driving and that the others with him had fled.

The car Brigman was in was a 1948 Chevrolet and the other was a Ford. The collision was head-on with one vehicle sitting still, and both cars were considerably smashed, indicating a fairly good momentum at the moment of impact. Brigman is still in a hospital and his companions haven't appeared, so the Highway patrol has as yet taken no action.

There were several other wrecks about the county during the rainy week end, but this was probably the most serious.

Angus Keith Missed Death In This Car



Angus Keith, 41, of Raeford, was in the car when it was hit by a train on the Laurinburg and Southern track where it crosses the old Bethel road about a mile south of Raeford. The accident occurred at a few minutes before 10:00 o'clock. Mr. Keith was driving north and the train was going south toward Laurinburg.

Mr. Keith felt some soreness after the wreck, but was able to walk around. He went to a Raeford doctor who sent him on to the Moore County hospital. Subsequent examination there showed that he had suffered a fractured vertebrae in his neck. While his condition is serious and painful, it is not critical.

NO RECORDER'S COURT AGAIN THIS WEEK

Judge Henry McDiarmid was again unable to come to town Tuesday, so Hoke County recorder's court had to be postponed again. John McGoogan says that some arrangement will be made by next Tuesday in the event the judge is unable to be present, although it is considered probable that he will. If he is not, the commissioners will probably appoint a substitute or vice recorder to serve until he gets back.

Judging from what was left of his car, it is little short of miraculous that he got out of it alive. It is a certainty that had he been going in the opposite direction, which would have put him on the side of the car toward the train, he could not possibly have survived. (Continued on page 4)

LEGION MEETING FRIDAY

First monthly dinner meeting of the Ellis Williamson American Legion post in several months will be held tomorrow night at the High school cafeteria at six o'clock. Commander R. B. Lewis again reminded members this week. Attention was called to the early hour of the meeting due to the basketball tournament in progress in the gymnasium above the cafeteria.

TOWN BOARD LIMITS POST OFFICE PARKING

At their regular monthly meeting at the town hall Monday night the Raeford board of commissioners transacted several business matters of a routine nature. Main thing of public interest was their decision to limit parking to 15 minutes during the day time in the first six parking places south of the Fire Station on the west side of Main street, due to the Post Office now being there.

Local Guard Unit To Celebrate Its Fifth Anniversary

Hoke County's National Guard unit, Battery A of the 130th Anti-aircraft artillery automatic weapons battalion is planning to have a dinner of its members on its fifth birthday, next Monday. Following the dinner there will be a square dance at the armory to which the public is invited. Members of the unit will attend in uniform.

The local battery was organized in January and February of 1947 and had its Federal inspection and received Federal recognition on March 10 of that year. Commanding officer at the beginning was Captain Paul Dickson and officers were 1st Lt. Sam C. Morris and 2nd Lt. Ralph G. Plummer and there were 41 enlisted men. Of these six are still members of the battery. They are 1st Lt. William L. Poole, Jr., Master Sergeants Jesse N. Gullege and Clarence M. Willis, Sergeants Arvin J. Freeman, Martin L. Webb and James T. Wilkes. About 300 men have been members of the battery since its organization and the average strength has been 90 enlisted men. (Continued on page 4)

Another Meeting Is Planned To Make Little League Plans

A second meeting will be held in the High school cafeteria on Thursday night of next week for the purpose of arranging final details and discussing policies of the "Little League" which Robbins Mills is to sponsor to bring organized baseball to boys from eight to 12 years of age here and in Aberdeen this summer. The meeting will begin at eight o'clock and all interested adults are urged to attend.

The Robbins corporation will bear all expenses of the league, which is to have two teams in Raeford and two in Aberdeen. Membership on the teams is open to all boys eight years old and over who will not have their 13th birthday before August 1st of this year. (Continued on Page 4)

Hoke Teams Move Up A Round In Cage Tourney

Both Teams Play Parkton In Semi-Finals Friday Nite

By Bruce Phillips

By virtue of 1st round triumphs the local basket teams, both boys and girls, moved into the semi-finals of the American Legion tournament being held at the Hoke High gymnasium this week.

In the opening games Monday night the Hoke High boys took an impressive 57-26 win over an out-manned but determined Wagram quintet. The game featured fast team play with the local boys having the edge on offense and proving much stronger on the defensive side. John McLaughlin, Hoke High's stellar point-maker, had a fine night with 22 points to his credit. Charles Sessoms and Jimmy White turned in sparkling performances on defensive for the victors while Barber and Wright were the big guns for Wagram.

In the second round of the tournament Tuesday night, the top seeded Hoke girls did the expected by thrashing the Laurel Hill sextet, 40-31. The recently crowned Cumberland County champs had little trouble in disposing of the visiting crew and the substitutes enjoyed a little action. Claudine Hodgin and Sarah Cole collaborated to lead the scoring with 19 and 13 points apiece. Mary Guin and Ina Scull proved able defenders for the locals along with Betty Lovette and Hazel McLean. Jennette McNeill was the whole show for Laurel Hill by dumping 13 points and doing more than her share on defense.

Other tourney results include: Parkton girls 32, Vass-Lakeview 22; Parkton boys 57, Seventy-First 31.

The local teams will go into action again Friday night in the semi-finals, when they both play Parkton.

Telephone Company Manager Reviews Its Growth In Raeford

W. E. Marshall, manager of the Fayetteville district of the Carolina Telephone and Telegraph company, this week pointed to the improvements and enlargements in the facilities and service here in the six years since 1945 in a letter accompanying the release of a booklet by the company summarizing its growth. Portions of this letter are quoted below.

"During the years 1946 through 1951 our central office building in Raeford was enlarged to provide adequate space for the new and additional dial equipment which was placed in service last year. In addition to this, it was necessary to construct additional outside facilities to various sections of Raeford. With this work completed it was possible to increase the number of telephones from 296 at the end of 1945 to 627 at the end of 1951. This was an increase of 110 percent. In order to make this gain, it was necessary to increase our plant investment from \$44,251.00 at the end of 1945 to \$138,538.00 at the end of 1951 which is an increase of 213 percent."

"Your telephone company is now in the process of providing more outside facilities to sections of Raeford which have developed recently. Together with this work, engineering of additional rural facilities in Hoke County is nearing completion and construction is scheduled to be completed this year.

"We have experienced many problems in the provision of adequate telephone service in Raeford and throughout the surrounding area, and every effort will continue to be made to provide the service which our customers prefer."

PRIDE OF THE GRIDIRON - RAEFORD HIGH SCHOOL - 1914 - NAME THEM?



Pictured above is Raeford's first football team, and a right fair one it was, too, we hear. You ought to see how many of them you can name before looking the names up below. The team represented Raeford High school in 1914, and the coach (the one with the black derby at jack-deuce angle) re-members at least four games and thinks a couple of others were played that year. The games he remembered were with Rockingham there, lost 6-0; with McColl, S. C., here, won 12-6; with Hamlet here, won 12-6; with Donaldson Military Academy in Fayetteville, lost, by about, three touchdowns. Several are walking the streets here these days, some elsewhere, and some have passed on, but their names are as follows: Front row, left to right, Roy Reaves, Forrest Lockey, Ben Hassel and Dwight Niven; Second row same order, David Wright, McNair Smith, Neill Coe, Love Heins, Graham Dickson, Walter Baker, Herbert Seagroves; Back row, Lewis McBrayer (a player but out of uniform, because of injury), Julian H. "Buck" Blue, John McKay Blue, and finally, Coach H. W. F. Whitley. Picture is the property of David Wright.

TOM McLAUCHLIN IS MOVING TO CHARLOTTE

Tom McLaughlin, son of Mrs. H. C. McLaughlin and the late Mr. McLaughlin, who has been employed in the office at McLaughlin Company here for the past several years, is leaving this week to accept a position in Charlotte. He is going to work for the Mill-Power Supply company, an electrical supply house, and will start work there Monday. Tom is a combat veteran of World War II, having been a member of the Third Infantry Division in Europe, and has been scoutmaster here for several years.

Scouts Plan Drive

The Raeford Boy Scout troop will conduct a rat-extermination campaign in the town of Raeford next week. The boys will begin work on the project after school hours on Monday.

The drive is being sponsored by the Raeford Kiwanis club, which sponsors the Scout troop, and profits will go to the troop treasury. The bait, "Warfarin" is being obtained at cost for the scouts and will be mixed by the boys and sold from house to house and instructions given as to its use. The bait is said to be non-poisonous for children and pets.

DRUG STORE TO CLOSE

W. L. Howell, Jr., of Howell Drug Co., local Rexall store, said this week that the store would close at six o'clock next Tuesday night so that all employees will be able to attend a District dinner meeting of Eastern Carolina Rexall distributors to be held at the Prince Charles hotel in Fayetteville.