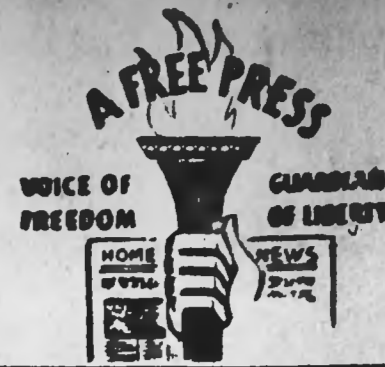




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Addenda

By the Editor

My Mother, who is getting pretty near old enough to start telling her age, can outdo many youngsters in hoeing a flower garden, or sitting over a bridge table, or just talking. She commented after going to church at the Presbyterian church on Easter that the choir there was largely the same as it was on Easter of 1909, 43 years ago, the first Easter service she attended at the church. Some have passed on and some are comparative youngsters, but she remembers Lacy Clark, Make McKeithan and Martin McKeithan as being there. She also thought Lawrence Poole was in the group, but he remembers the occasion and says he spent the week end in Winston-Salem with the University of North Carolina baseball team. As to the girls, her memory is not so good. Anyway, at least these three were singing God's praises there at both times. There must be a lesson of some sort in that.

Summer popped in with a bang this week, in case you hadn't noticed, or if you read this news of the old home town from some far-away place. The mercury has been getting up around 90 for three or four days now.

It's good to see that both our North Carolina Senators are among those who do not intend to let the President arbitrarily nationalize the steel industry. Senator Hoey voted not to allow certain funds to be used by Uncle Sam to raise the steel workers, and Senator Smith was paired the same way. If "He" can get away with that he could take my little shop over and start writing this column if he wanted to, couldn't he? It is theoretically possible that he could do it better, but the fact remains that I made the payments on the linotype machine, and feel that it's mine. I really do hope I am right in that feeling.

Well, the time for filing for the May 31 primary came to a close last Saturday with no candidate for solicitor of the Hoke County recorder's court and with both candidates for judge being from the fringes of the county. T. O. Moses of upper Quewhiffle township, who has run before, is in the Aberdeen trading area, and W. L. Roper of lower Allendale, a former corner, is of the Laurinburg - Maxton trading area. What is the reason no local talent legal or otherwise, is attracted to the jobs in this court? Could it be that the jobs only pay \$75 a month and that no active lawyer could very well afford to sacrifice his courtroom practice for that? Could be. This court operates at a profit for the county, and the commissioners ought to check around and see what other counties pay for these jobs and get in line.

After many years and much precedent for not expressing preference in primaries in this newspaper, I find I can't stand it any longer. As a veteran, my vote is not for sale, particularly to be paid with my own money. Like most veterans, I feel that I have been well rewarded for serving in World War II by getting back and having the opportunity to make better living than we ever had before. Not only that, but we've had a pretty good ride on the government with our farm schools, on the job training and getting to go to college when a good many of us never would have. I think the proposal of a gubernatorial candidate Olive that the State vote on a veterans bonus is nothing more or less than a bid for votes, and I believe the average veteran is too smart to fall for it, knowing that his taxes will have to go to pay it, and that the money will be just that much

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High School Baseball Team Does Well In Conference Games

On Wednesday afternoon of last week Bruce Phillips pitched the local Bucks' baseball team to a 5 to 0 conference victory over St. Pauls. Phillips, pitching exceptionally good ball, limited St. Pauls to only one hit, that a lone single by the St. Pauls shortstop, Marvin Sellers, in the second inning.

Billy Ray McCormick paced the batters with a 2 for 3 average for the day. The win left Raeford still at the top in conference standings with a 3-0 record.

In the Tar Heel game last Friday Phillips again took the mound and showed little effects of pitching a game the day before as he set the opposition down with only 2 hits and gaining his second victory of the week by, an 8 to 3 win.

Charles Sessoms was the big gun for Raeford in this game as he got 3 hits in 5 trips to the plate.

Raeford played Massey Hill here yesterday and will meet Boone Trail on the local diamond next Wednesday afternoon.

YOUR SCHOOL NEWS

By K. A. MacDonald

The Hoke High band under the direction of Teacher J. B. Renn attended the State Music Festival at WCUNC on Tuesday. Four carloads made the trip, which all enjoyed very much. The band members are most grateful to all who helped make the trip possible.

A bus load of seniors from Hoke High leaves today on the annual senior trip to Washington, D. C. They go chaperoned by Principal and Mrs. W. T. Gibson and Miss Hilda Priest. This will be a wonderful experience for these boys and girls.

Pat Lamont, winner of the Hoke County High School World Peace Speaking Contest entered the District final contest held at the American Legion Home in Fayetteville on Friday evening, April 18. She competed for a free trip to the United Nations in New York which will be held on April 30. This trip is conducted by the United World Federalists of North Carolina. Winners from 12 districts in the state and their teachers will go by chartered bus to see the U.N. in action, visit its permanent headquarters, and meet United Nations' personalities. Pat won third place in the district contest and is an alternate for the trip to U.N.

Tomorrow night at 8 o'clock the Ashmont school will present its spring operetta, "The Wedding of the Flowers." Teachers and pupils have worked untiringly on the production and a most colorful spectacle will be presented. All parents and friends are cordially invited.

Tuesday evening of this week the Hoke County Chapter of NCEA held its annual dinner meeting in the Hoke High lunchroom. The teachers had husbands, wives and friends as guests. A bountiful dinner was served by the lunchroom staff. The mixed quartet from the high school, under the direction of their teacher, rendered several most enjoyable numbers. The whole crowd then engaged in group singing. W. T. Gibson, T. C. Jones and R. A. Smoak leading their sections with gusto. The president dispensed with all business possible. However, a partial election of officers was held and W. T. Gibson was elected president for the ensuing year.

The Raeford Graded School Pre-School Clinic is being held

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Edwards Gets 6-8 Years; Session Ends Wednesday

Judge Bone Sends Two Others For Long Terms

James Spencer Edwards, young white man charged with having carnal knowledge of a 13-year-old girl, was found guilty by a jury in Hoke County Superior court before Judge Walter J. Bone of Nashville here this week. The judge sentenced him to serve not less than six nor more than eight years in the state prison. He gave notice of appeal. The State dropped its charge against his brother Rufus Edwards of being an accessory before the fact.

Fifteen criminal and seven civil cases were disposed of in the term which began Monday and was completed at about noon yesterday.

Curtis Bandy, colored man charged with killing James Edward Breden in Blue Springs township last December 7, pleaded guilty of manslaughter and the State accepted. He got not less than 8 or over 10 years in the State prison.

Stuart "Sug" Moore, colored man charged with assaulting his wife with intent to kill her was found guilty by the jury and sent to the State prison for not less than six nor more than eight years.

Robert McLeod, colored man charged with breaking into several cars here some time ago and stealing one of them, entered a plea of guilty on three charges. He made good all damages and got a total of 18 months on the roads.

Bethune Maulsby, white, was found not guilty of assaulting the Taylors on an appeal. In another case that he appealed he was freed when the judge ordered a verdict of not guilty. Maulsby was charged under a state law with being drunk and disorderly and no proof was offered that he was anything but drunk. Case in which Maulsby charged Carlton Taylor with assaulting him was continued.

William Thomas Ray, colored, pleaded guilty of forcible trespass and went to the roads for 18 months.

Joe E. Swan pleaded guilty of escaping from the prison division at the Sanatorium and got six months added to the sentence he is serving.

The State dropped its case in which Pittman Bullard, Indian, was charged with breaking and entering. Case charging W. H. Graham, white, with giving S. D. Faircloth a bad check was dismissed by the judge because the warrant was improperly drawn.

W. H. Fendley, white, paid the costs for driving on the wrong side of the road in an old case.

Case against Arthur L. Park, white, for driving drunk, careless and reckless driving and damages, was continued. Case against Charlie Flynn, colored, for a killing at his cafe was continued again due to colored soldier witnesses being on maneuvers. Case against Johnny Thompson, colored, for false pretense was continued.

The grand jury did not find a true bill against Grant Ferguson, colored, for hitting a tree when Odell Stanton was killed.

Four divorcees were granted, Laurinburg Production Credit Association got a \$686 judgment from Dundarrach Trading Company in crop case, and two judgments in suits arising out of a wreck were granted.

PINE STRAW BURNS

The fire call that the local department answered late Tuesday afternoon was pine straw burning in the lot behind the grammar school. Little damage was done as the fire was quickly extinguished.

Chamber Asks All To Attend Meeting Tuesday Night

Neill A. McDonald, president of the Raeford Chamber of Commerce, announced this week that the Chamber has several more important matters to discuss with the business people of the community and that a public meeting will be held at the courthouse on Tuesday night, April 29.

He urged all members of the Chamber of Commerce and all other Raeford citizens to attend and said that action would be taken on matters of considerable importance to the town's future.

In view of the great activity resulting from the Chamber's open meetings in the past, a good crowd is expected to attend.

Jaycees Hold Charter Night Program Tuesday

The Raeford Junior Chamber of Commerce held its Charter Night program Tuesday at 7:30 p. m. at the Benton Thomas Pond.

James C. Lentz, president of the club, was toastmaster and introduced Mayor William L. Poole who gave words of welcome to the club and out of town and local guests. Wallace Leinwand, State Vice-President and representing the 5th District from Elizabethtown talked on what the Jaycee Creed meant to a Jaycee. Town Commissioner M. B. Lewis welcomed the new club to Raeford and praised the members for the fine spirit that they were in working together.

M. J. Weeks, President of the Fayetteville club, spoke briefly about what the Raeford club will mean to the community. Harry Stewart of Raleigh, President of the North Carolina Junior Chamber of Commerce spoke about the many opportunities of Jaycees in promoting good will and civic improvement for their communities. He stressed that it is a young man's club and is one of action. He commended the local club for finishing their first project before receiving their charter. The project he referred to was the beautification of the parkways on North Main Street. President Stewart presented the United States Junior Chamber of Commerce certificate along with that of the North Carolina Junior Chamber of Commerce, to the local president and then presented him the president's pin. He then inducted the other officers.

Other than local guest out of town dignitaries in Jaycee work included Dave Stancell, secretary of the Raleigh Club, Watson Lawhon, Dave Calloway, Ed Edgerton, and Dr. Jack Jordan, all of the Fayetteville Club.

The ladies of the guests and members were present and all enjoyed a delicious dinner of fried chicken and all the accessories. A district Jaycee meeting was held in Carthage Wednesday night and there was a large delegation in attendance from the Raeford Club.

Guard To Fire At Fort Bragg

Battery A, local National Guard unit, will go to Fort Bragg this week end and next week end with other units of the 130th AAA AW Battalion for their annual small arms firing practice.

The units will bivouac on the range and will feed Army rations in their field kitchens during the trips, which will last from Saturday morning until Sunday afternoon each week end.

The local battery is commanded by 1st Lt. Edwin D. Newton and the 130th Battalion by Lt. Colonel William Lamont, Jr.

When you are right you don't need to lose your temper—when you are wrong you can't afford to.

John F. McPhail Dies Wednesday; Funeral Friday

Funeral services for John Frank McPhail, 86, who died at his home in Hoke county last Wednesday night, were held Friday afternoon in the Raeford Methodist church at 4:00 o'clock. The Rev. B. O. Shannon and the Rev. W. B. Heyward conducted the final rites and burial followed in the Raeford cemetery.

Mr. McPhail was a merchant in town for a good many years and was the last living charter member of the Raeford Methodist church. He moved to Raeford 50 years ago. He was the son of the late William C. and Virginia Williford McPhail of Cumberland county.

He had been in failing health for several years and seriously ill for a only a few days. He had been to a Fayetteville hospital for treatment but had returned to his home.

Survivors included two daughters, Mrs. Harry R. Logan of Asheville and Mrs. M. A. Dewar of El Paso, Texas; four sons, Robert and Hoke of this county, John F. of Raleigh and William of Portsmouth, Va.; one brother, U. D. McPhail of Cumberland county.

Nephews of the deceased acted as pallbearers.

Home Demonstration Club Members Plan Tour Of Homes

In celebration of National Home Demonstration Club Week, April 27-May 3, Hoke County Home Demonstration club members will visit several remodeled and new homes in the county on Thursday afternoon, May 1st. All club women and other interested people in the county are asked to assemble in the grove at the Raeford Presbyterian Church at 2 p. m.

From there, they will go to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Dezerne in Raeford. There they will see a remodeled home, homemade hooked rugs, antique furniture, and the home grounds. The next stop will be at Mr. and Mrs. Richard Neeley's new home on the Fayetteville highway. The Neeley's have used old paneling and ceiling in their living room. From the Neeley's, the group will go to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Lovette near Wayside to see their home in the process of being remodeled. The fourth stop will be at the new home of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Shockley between Rockfish and Arabia. The last stop will be at Arabia where the McFadyen home, which is over 50 years old, is being remodeled. Mrs. Lilly McDougald and Mr. and Mrs. Morman live there.

Anyone in the county who is interested is invited to go on the tour.

Baseball League Being Talked

Tentative plans have been drawn up to start a city baseball league in Raeford this summer. This league will not interfere with little league play. Any person older than the maximum for little league play will be eligible to play and the number of teams will depend upon the number of persons desiring to play.

Over 70 boys and young men have already expressed a desire to play. Each team will play two games a week starting at 5 o'clock in the afternoon.

Interested persons are to contact either J. D. McMillan, John Dunk McNeill, Jimmy Conoly, Dr. Julius Jordan, Frank Teal, Joe Upchurch, Lawrence McNeill, Jr., J. B. McLeod or Jimmy White. A meeting will be held next week (date not definite) at the town hall to complete the plans.

Dangerous Bridge On Red Springs Road Will Be Replaced

Included in the list of 43 projects released last week by the State Highway Commission was a highway project for this county. The Hoke project will involve construction of a bridge over Raft swamp and elimination of dangerous curves at Antioch on Highway 211.

Work has already begun on the project and a right of way has been cut through the woods with the road to be run from Hodgins' store, passing near the mill pond and meeting the old road approximately 1/2 mile north of the present bridge at Antioch. When completed the road will eliminate the dangerous curve and narrow bridge over Raft Swamp and will lengthen the curve at Hodgins' store.

Bids on this and the 42 other projects will be opened April 29 and low bids will be reviewed by the Commission at a meeting on May 1.

The 43 projects for which the Commission is seeking bids involve 292.62 miles of work in 37 counties.

Cancer Crusade Appeal Made By Chairman

Mrs. W. L. Howell, Jr., chairman of the Hoke County Cancer Crusade, said this week that every coin contributed to the American Cancer Society plays a part in the war on the disease.

"Fifty cents buys one mouse specially bred for bred cancer research by more than 100 generations. Multiply that amount 7,200 times and you have \$3,600, enough money for a year's clinical fellowship which will enable a young physician to attain a high degree of competence in diagnosing and treating cancer.

"Fifteen dollars maintains a hospital bed for one day for a cancer patient unable to provide his own care."

Some 600,000 persons will be under treatment for cancer in the United States this year. There is a cancer death approximately every two and a half minutes in the United States.

The local goal is \$722.25 of which \$279.76 has been raised. Those who have not been called on and would like to contribute, may call Mrs. Howell at 307.

Mrs. Howell announced the following volunteer workers for the county: Stone wall township, (Dundarrach and Arabia) Mrs. Jesse Gibson and Brown Hendrix; Antioch, Mrs. Willie Hodgins; Rockfish, Mrs. Burnice Bostic; Wayside, Mrs. Dick Neeley and Miss Caroline Parker; Ashmont, Mrs. E. B. Satterwhite and Mrs. W. L. McFadyen; Pine Forest, Mrs. J. F. Jordan; Allendale, Miss Willa Mae Liles; Blue Springs, Mrs. J. L. Warner and Mrs. Jimmy Warner; Radeen, Mrs. Bill Glisson; Raeford, Mesdames Alfred Cole, Harry Greene, Clarence Brown, Carlton Niven, Ed Willis, Chandler Roberts, R. A. Matheson, Marcus Smith, W. T. Gibson, Herbert McKeithan, Lawrence McNeill, H. S. Hiser, Irving Hubbard, J. A. Baucum, J. B. McIntyre, Virgil Dark, Marion Gatlin, H. D. Harrison, Retha Ashe, Peter McLean, Tommy Amos, H. B. McNeill, Jr., A. B. Ripley, and Miss Martha Davenport.

EXPECT FARM AGENT FRL

J. R. Potter, Jr., new Hoke County farm agent, will begin his duties here tomorrow. His wife and children will remain in Wadesboro until he locates a home here for them.

In most business deal folks are entitled to expect the best money will pay, but in politics the object is to get in office the best candidate money won't buy.

Indian Youth Dies Of Knife Wounds Sunday

Cutting At Line Near Red Springs; Doubt As To Which County

Two young Indians, both under 20, had some hard feelings near a tent meeting at the county line about one mile north of Red Springs Sunday night over a girl, officers understand. Result was that Frazier Lowry wound up with his throat cut from ear to ear, several cuts on his body, and dead. Cutting took place between seven and eight o'clock.

First investigation was made by Robeson County officers who arrested James Allen Hammond on a charge of killing Lowry with a knife. They finally decided it took place in this county and brought Hammond to Raeford where he is still in the county jail. Sheriff D. H. Hodgins and Coroner James C. Lentz got up a jury and went to the scene and viewed the remains and plans were to have an inquest either last night or today. It was not held earlier due to Superior court.

Sheriff Hodgins says Hammond told him that Lowry had grabbed him from behind when he had reached in his pocket for a match or something and that as his hand was in there he brought his knife out and worked on him. There is no evidence apparent that Lowry was armed.

Lowry lived on the William McNeill place between Red Springs and Duffie's Station.

Debate about the county line was caused by the sign on the highway at the old Red Springs golf course having been moved a time or two for various reasons. The sheriff is not sure yet just which county the killing took place in.

3 Offices Contested In May 31 Primary At Close Of Filing Time

There was competition for the board of county commissioners, the county board of education and the judge of the county recorder's court when the time for filing closed at six p. m. last Saturday, G. B. Rowland, chairman of the county board of elections, announced this week.

W. L. Roper and T. O. Moses filed as candidates for judge of recorder's court to succeed Judge Henry McDiarmid, who is not running.

Marshall Newton, N. H. G. Balfour, W. M. Thomas and Fulford McMillan filed to succeed themselves on the board of commissioners, while Chairman F. K. Watson did not. Others entering this race are Douglas McPhaul and William Stanley Crawley.

For the board of education N. L. McFadyen, Richard E. Neeley, David F. Lindsay and Robert H. Gatlin filed to succeed themselves on the board, while Carl Riley did not. Others filing for this board are D. R. Huff, Jr., Joel D. Royal and Alfred Long, Jr.

J. Benton Thomas for the State Senate, Harry Greene for the House of Representatives and J. E. Gullidge for Register of Deeds are all unopposed in the primary.

Forester Cancels Brush Burning Permits In County

County Forest Warden Foster McBryde has cancelled indefinitely all brush burning permits in the county until rain renders the forest fire situation less dangerous. Several bad fires recently coupled with the fact that it hasn't rained in several weeks brought about the cancellation of the permits.

Announcement will be made when burning is again permissible.