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Addenda - - -

By the Editor

The discussion we and others had with "Red Buck" Bryant last summer about references in his column in the Charlotte Observer to Sherman notes in a Bethel church was settled in his column last Sunday. Mr. Bryant finally came around to admitting that he was in error in saying that the Bethel church he referred to was in Clover, S. C., and said that it was the church here in Hoke County. He was convinced by numerous letters, and he mentioned hearing from John McGoogan of Raeford, the Rev. Harold Dudley, General Secretary of the Presbyterian Synod of North Carolina, and Mrs. Charles Rankin of Fayetteville.

As we learned and reported at the time, the leaf on which Sherman is supposed to have written is now preserved with the Presbyterian Archives in Montreat where it may be seen.

Bryant's column of "Reminiscences" last Sunday was interesting in other ways to readers in this section, for he devoted right much space to a discussion of the settling of the Scottish Highlanders through here before the advent of the "Scotch-Irish" to other sections of the state. I learned in Scotland that the word "Scotch" should be applied only to something you drink (or don't as the case may be). I tried to figure some way to keep from using it with Irish, but couldn't, and I guess it works pretty well under that definition with the Irish anyway. For the benefit of my mother-in-law, I mean no insult to the Irish, but I do understand they are a pretty convivial lot.

I get wind of something that leads me to believe the Parent-Teacher meeting next Monday is likely to be about as lively as the last one. That meeting will be remembered as having the discussion of games of chance at Halloween carnivals. Incidentally, their prohibition didn't hurt gate receipts in the least. . . . But this time, unless my information is wrong, there will be a movement started to withdraw PTA support from the teaching of public school music in the schools. This has been taught in the schools here for a good many years, and I have never heard anything against it before. I certainly believe more people are for it than are against it. If you have a view either way on the subject you should go to the schoolhouse next Monday night and express it, as the majority at the meeting will determine the policy of the PTA if the question is raised. I hope it is not, and I repeat that my information is only a rumor. At any rate, good healthy arguments will increase the public interest and will make the PTA a much stronger force for the good of the schools. Peter McLean is certainly to be sympathized with at having to arbitrate discussions of this sort, but they are for the public good.

Tommy Upchurch sure made an interesting talk to the Kiwanis club last Thursday night about his trip to the National Cotton Council meeting in California. If I could get it back together I would reproduce in full, as some of the facts he saw and told about were mighty impressive. For instance, he said the soil in the San Joaquin valley is 600 feet deep. He also told of a farmer there having 19 combines, each of which would cut 30 feet. This particular farmer, Tommie said, was primarily a cotton farmer, having about 90,000 acres and about 125 overseers. He said mechanics were good out there, too, so good they could make a combine fly when their airplanes broke down. Seriously, though, most of what he said was believable and should certainly be heard by farmers of the county.

J. B. McIntyre came back from Charlotte this week with a rather (Continued on Page 5)

Building & Loan Honors President On Birthday

The board of directors of the Raeford Building and Loan Association at their regular monthly meeting at the association's office here Tuesday afternoon held a little birthday party for their president, F. B. Sexton. His birthday was November 10.

Mr. Sexton became president of the association in January, 1931, when assets of the association were \$85,014.46. He has been president continuously since that time and the association's statement as of October 31, 1952, showed total assets of \$304,677.32.

The president was given a gift by the group and what he says was his favorite dessert, persimmon pudding with whipped cream, was served with coffee. He said it tasted just like he remembered it.

H. L. Gatlin has been a member of the board of directors during all the time F. B. Sexton has been president.

1000 Hear Caldwell Speak At REA Meeting

More than 1,000 attended the meeting of the Lumber Electric Membership Corporation, held Wednesday, November 5, in Maxton, and heard a very instructive talk from Harry B. Caldwell, Master of the North Carolina State Grange, who spoke at length on the cooperative movement in North Carolina and our nation. Gwyn Price, Rural Electrification Authority in North Carolina, introduced the speaker for the occasion. W. T. Crisp, Executive Manager of Tarheel Electric Membership Association of Raleigh was recognized.

The cooperative attorney, J. D. McLean, Jr., presided over the election of officers for the coming year and the entire group of directors was unanimously reelected consisting of the following: C. A. Alford, J. M. Andrews, C. L. Ballance, J. R. Caddell, E. L. Cook, John R. Lassiter, J. E. Morrison, Wade H. Powell, and Mrs. Lucy Smith.

C. L. Ballance, president, gave a lengthy report of the progress of the cooperative, pointing out with pride the accomplishments of the local cooperative, stating that "most of our members were somewhat surprised to know now that our country has been so far behind many of the European nations in securing electric services." He pointed out that Germany, France, and most of the European countries were from 85% to 100% electrified at the time electricity was first made available to the rural people of North Carolina. He discussed at length the future plans of the cooperative in order to meet the needs of its members possible for the next few years. J. R. Caddell, treasurer of the cooperative and a charter member, submitted a detailed written treasurer's report to the members and pointed out that the cooperative had invested \$250,000 in bonds and paid back on our loan \$346,000. Of this amount, \$76,000 was in (Continued On Page 4)

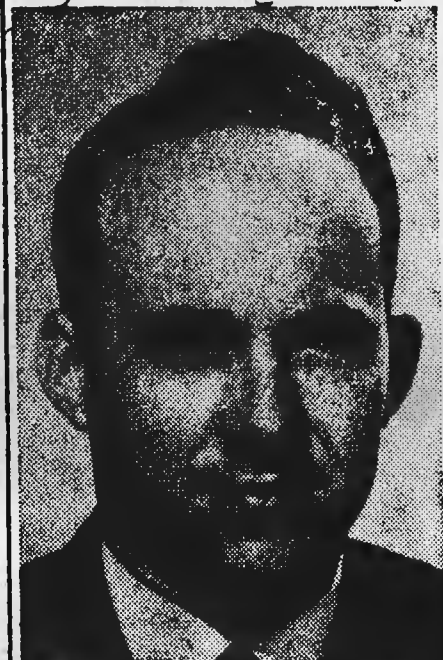
Homecoming Dance At Gym Friday Night

The final event of the Hoke High School 1952 Homecoming program will be a dance at the gym Friday night at which time the Homecoming Queen will be crowned.

The program starts this afternoon as the Hoke High Bucks play hosts to the Fayetteville "Bullpups" at Armory Park at 3:30. At half time the five candidates for the crown of Homecoming Queen will be recognized.

The dance Friday night will begin at 8:00 with music furnished by Hal Gore and his orchestra. Former students and friends of Hoke High students are invited to attend the dance and coronation.

Presbyterians To Have Seminary Service Sunday



DR. W. B. OGLESBY, JR.

Dr. W. B. Oglesby, Jr., professor at Union Theological seminary, Richmond, Va., will preach Sunday at the 11:00 a. m. worship service at the Raeford Presbyterian church. He has been elected to the newly-established chair of Pastoral Counseling at the seminary.

Dr. Oglesby is a graduate of Austin College in Texas and Union Theological seminary, and this year received his Ph. D. from the University of Chicago. He has held pastorates in Louisiana and Arkansas.

This is "Seminary Sunday" in Fayetteville Presbytery, and Dr. Oglesby's message will deal specifically with theological education, the need for ministers, and the program of the seminary.

The Rev. W. B. Heyward, who was a seminary classmate of Dr. Oglesby, reports that he is an outstanding student and a most effective preacher.

PTA Meeting Set For Monday Night

Peter McLean, president of the Hoke-Raeford Parent-Teacher association, calls the attention of parents to the regular meeting of the association at the Raeford Graded school next Monday night.

McLean said that the program would include explanations by Superintendent K. A. MacDonald and Principal W. T. Gibson, Jr., to explain the building program and how it will meet the local school needs. A social hour will follow.

McLean also called the attention of parents to the fact that the annual membership drive of the association is being held this week, and asked that they send their memberships in when appropriate on the subject by their children.

Scouts Get Awards At Court Of Honor

Several members of the local boy scout troop attended a Court of Honor at East Laurinburg Tuesday night and received merit badges and additional rank. Leon Cameron and Neil McFadyen received the rank of Life Scout. Life is one step below the coveted Eagle award and is in itself quite an achievement. Their badges were presented to them by Dr. Marcus Smith, a member of the local troop committee.

Receiving merit badges were Younger Snead, Jr., Leon Cameron, Joe McLeod, Neil McFadyen, and Marcus Smith, Jr.

The troop will participate in a camporee this week end at Chalk Bluffs near Wagram on the Lumber River. They will depart Friday afternoon and will return early Sunday morning.

NO LEGION MEETING

Commander R. B. Lewis announces that there will not be a meeting of the Ellis Williamson American Legion post this month. The next meeting will be held the first Friday night in December.

Christmas Seal Sale To Start This Week

Mrs. T. B. Lester, chairman of the Hoke County Christmas Seal sale committee, has announced that the sale of seals would start this week. Local canvass of the business houses in the Christmas Seal bond sale was started last week and has been almost completed.

She said the money is urgently needed to carry on the search for something to prevent tuberculosis, for finding the early cases, and for education to enlist everyone in the fight against it. She said that TB is still the number one killer among infectious diseases. In North Car. 2,088 beds are occupied by tuberculosis patients and there are hundreds of others who have it for whom there are not beds.

The Hoke County Tuberculosis association for 1952 has Charles Morrison as president, K. A. MacDonald as vice-president, Mrs. Hubert Cameron as secretary and treasurer, and Mrs. Lester as seal sale chairman. The Kiwanis, Lions and Woman's clubs are helpers.

Fairmont Edges Bucks 19-13 Friday Night

The hapless Bucks, an easy two touchdown underdog against Fairmont, almost upset the fruit basket Friday night as they forced the strong eleven of Robeson County to play their best before finally losing 19-13 in Fairmont.

As has been the case in several games this season the Bucks were in the midst of a scoring drive when the game ended. They started on their own 9 yard yard line and moved all the way to the Fairmont 45 before time ran out on them.

Fairmont started like a ball of fire as they covered 75 yards in the first two scrimmage plays for a touchdown and led 7-0 after the conversion with less than a minute gone in the game.

The Bucks showed they were still in the game as they moved the ball efficiently the first two times they were in possession of it. They lost possession of the ball on their own 37 but two plays later Wilcox recovered a Fairmont fumble and they carried all the way. Wilcox picked up 26 yards on the first play; a 15 yard penalty was taken in lieu of a 7 yard pass; McLeod romped around end for 14 yards to the Fairmont 19.

With third down on the 20 another 15 yard penalty was accepted nullifying a 10 yard pass from McLeod to Baggett placing the ball on the 5 yard line. Wilcox then drove off-tackle for the touchdown. The extra point attempt via a running play was no good and Fairmont was still ahead 7-6.

Fairmont stretched their lead immediately as they moved 90 yards for a touchdown in only 7 plays, of which two covered 70 yards. They failed to make their extra point and led by 7 points at the half time.

Fairmont scored first in the second half and led by 19-6 before the Bucks began to move. McNeill, doing his best passing of the season, connected to Baggett for 15 yards; he completed a successive one to Garrett for 33 yards and the Bucks were on the 17 yard (Continued on Page 10)

PRESBYTERIAN MEN TO MEET TUESDAY NIGHT

The Men of the Raeford Presbyterian Church will hold their regular monthly supper and meeting at the church next Tuesday night at 7:00 o'clock. T. F. McBryde, president, said this week. He said that the speaker for the meeting would be the Rev. Albert McClure, superintendent of Barium Springs orphanage.

Town To Start Drive On Rats Next Monday

At their meeting on November 3 the town commissioners of Raeford heard M. R. Mills of the county health department explain a proposed rat control program for the town. After hearing his explanation the board unanimously voted to cooperate with the health department, and to share the expense with the state, in a concerted one-year battle on rats in the town.

In his discussion of the problem here, Mills made a conservative estimate that there were 8,000 rats in Raeford and said that research and investigation had shown that each rat cost a community about \$8 a year. He said this much money is good enough reason to get rid of them, without considering their capacity for carrying filth and disease.

The plan will start on Monday, November 17, when bait boxes will be distributed in the business area of town and a team will go from house to house in town and place the poison. Refills at the home may be made by the owners by calling at the town hall for the bait which will be paid for by the town and state and which will be ready for distribution during the year.

The program is being backed by the Lions and the Kiwanis clubs who plan to give the drive additional publicity and to urge the people of the town to cooperate. One way they urge home owners to cooperate is by having someone at home on Monday so the team will be able to leave bait at each home in town. The bait will be arranged so that it will not be accessible to pets. Homes not called at on Monday will be visited during the next week.

Bait boxes to be used in the alleys in the business section are being built by the vocational class at Hoke County High school with lumber contributed for the cause by Raeford Lumber company. These boxes will be kept filled at all times for a year by the county health department.

L. B. Crosby, of the N. C. Board of Health insect and rodent control section, will be here Monday to help get the drive started. He called attention this week to the fact that rats carry many serious diseases and cost much money, and urged the citizens of Raeford to cooperate in the drive.

Mrs. Sarah Jane Biggs Is Buried At Antioch Tuesday Afternoon

Mrs. Sarah Jane Biggs died at her home near Antioch last Sunday, at noon after an illness of several months. She was 79 years of age.

She was the daughter of Elizabeth and Angus Huckabee of Scotland County and was the widow of Daniel Biggs of the Antioch section.

Funeral services were conducted at Antioch Presbyterian church at 2:30 o'clock Tuesday afternoon by the pastor, the Rev. Gower Crosswell. Burial followed in the cemetery at Antioch church.

Mrs. Biggs is survived by two daughters, Mrs. H. M. Thompson of Johnson City, Tenn., and Mrs. Rurita Shelton of the home, a member of the faculty of Raeford Graded school; one son, W. L. Biggs of Miami, Florida.

STUDENT PASTOR WILL PREACH SUNDAY AT COUNTRY CHURCHES

William Newton, student pastor of Union Seminary, Richmond, Virginia, will preach at Bethel and Shiloh churches Sunday morning. Mr. Newton will preach at Bethel at 10 a. m. and will preach at Shiloh at 11:00 a. m. The public is cordially invited to attend the services.

I. Mann and Ed Brooks of Burgaw attended a men's clothing show in Charlotte Sunday.

M. S. Gibson, Sr., Dies In Rockfish; Funeral Today At 2

Funeral services will be held this afternoon at 2 p. m. for M. S. Gibson, Sr., 57, prominent farmer of Rockfish who died at his home about 2:30 Wednesday morning. He was a deacon of Tabernacle Baptist church and a member of the Grange.

Funeral services will be held at the Tabernacle Baptist church with the Rev. David Miller officiating. Burial will follow in the Alloway Cemetery at Red Springs.

Surviving the deceased are his wife, Mrs. Ethel Deaton Gibson; three daughters, Mrs. C. M. Kelly of Durham, Mrs. S. E. Sumner of Lumber Bridge and Mrs. A. J. Freeman, Jr. of Rockfish; two sons, Z. D. and M. S. Gibson, Jr., both of Rockfish; four sisters, Mrs. Delena McMillan of Rockfish, Mrs. N. A. Maxwell of Raeford, Mrs. E. T. Carr of Spruce Pine and Mrs. C. W. Ridge of Baltimore, Md.; four grandchildren.

Special Session Of Recorder's Court

Judge Harry Greene, in a special session of recorder's court last Thursday morning, amended the sentence of David McRae who had been sentenced to a total of two and a half years minimum on the roads.

McRae, who was found guilty of violating the prohibition laws, paid a total of \$250 and costs for the three cases and terms of good behavior for two years.

Quinten Bufogle, white tourist, paid \$10 and costs for speeding. Ernest Harris, colored, was found not guilty of assault.

John Henry Baker, colored, was found guilty of careless and reckless driving and speeding and received a 6-9 months sentence suspended upon payment of \$25 and costs and 12 months good behavior.

Auditor Tells Board County Is In Good Shape

J. M. Williams, certified public accountant of the firm of Williams and Wall of Raleigh, appeared before the Hoke County commissioners at their meeting last week to report on his firm's audit of the county's books for the fiscal year 1951-52. He commended the board on the fine financial condition of the county as reflected in the statement of June 30, 1952, which is printed in this issue of The News-Journal.

Attention was invited to the fact that the county's budget for the year was \$100,000, and that only \$89,000 was spent, including several items which could have been classed as non-budget expenditures. He also commented on the fact that U. S. Government bonds listed in the statement at \$68,450 have an actual value of over \$90,000.

The statement also shows a surplus in operating funds of \$20,170.98, and that property value in the county exceeds funded debt by \$980,419.05. The county's bank balance as of June 30 was \$106,753.83.

Other matters taken up by the commissioners included a discussion of the fact that the Fort Bragg authorities had closed the Raeford-Vass road during hunting season. Opinion of the board seemed to be that this was not right, and County Accountant J. A. McGoogan was instructed to write Sixth Division Highway Commissioner George Coble and ask if he could do anything about getting it opened for public use again.

The board decided that the county should pay for a boat lost during the search for the body of Charles K. Honeycutt in Rockfish creek by the coroner and others several months ago.

Mr. and Mrs. Nell Ross had as their week end guests, Mrs. Warren Wood, her daughter and son, Jane and Warren of Raleigh.

Major Cases Are Postponed At Superior Court

In his last term here for five years Judge Chester Morris of Currituck County wound up the regular term of Hoke County Superior court this week in two and a half days. Eleven cases were continued to the January term for trial, including two murder cases and the two incest cases. Civil docket was light, with most cases being settled, and it was unique in that there were no divorces granted. One divorce case went to a jury but was denied.

The case in which Charlie Flynn, colored, is charged with murder, was continued due to absence of witnesses. The case in which Zeph Graham, colored, was charged with murder, was continued due to the illness of the defendant. The cases charging R. P. Lambert and his daughter, Mildred Lambert Chavis, both white, with incest, were both continued. On complaint of Alton E. Odom, Lambert's son-in-law, Lambert was placed under a \$1000 peace bond by Judge Morris.

Henry Burnett, Jr., white, entered plea of guilty to hit and run driving resulting in death. Pearl Shipman, colored, was hit by Burnett's car north of Raeford on the night of September 24, and died September 25. The State accepted this plea and Judge Morris sentenced Burnett to serve not less than two nor more than three years in the state prison. Sentence was suspended on condition that he pay the Pearl Shipman estate \$1000 and pay the court costs. He was placed on probation for three years and his driver's license was revoked.

Levi Allen, white man of Little River township, entered a plea of no defense on a charge of trespass and was found guilty of non support and assault. He was sent to the roads for 18 months. George McMillan, colored man who had appealed recorder's court convictions of driving after license revoke and driving drunk, entered a plea of no defense on both counts. He was sentenced to the roads for three years, suspended on payment of \$400 and costs and his license was revoked for three years.

David Chason, white, offered no defense on a charge of assault with a deadly weapon with intent to kill. He was sent to the State Prison for three years and ordered to serve a year on the roads afterwards for violation of probation. Prison authorities were ordered to investigate his mental and physical condition.

The state dropped its case against Earl Robinson, white, with leave to reopen. Shirley Jones and Graham, colored, each got four months on the roads for violating the prohibition laws. John Buster Townsend, colored, on the same charge got a year on the roads suspended on payment of \$75 fine, court costs and three years of good behavior.

The case against Jim Bullard, white, for violating the alldordmentant act, was dismissed. Other cases continued included Johnnie Thompson, false pretense; Andrew Jackson Smith, speeding; Luther Taylor, improper brakes; Laurin Kelly, driving drunk and assault with a deadly weapon; Graham Wright, assault with a deadly weapon; Margaret Maulsby, driving drunk; Fred Harris, careless and reckless driving and damages.

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Philippi Revival To Be Concluded Friday

Revival services are being conducted at Philippi Presbyterian church this week. The Rev. W. O. Nelson of Robbins, N. C., is bringing the messages and there have been fine congregations each evening.

The final two services of the series will be held tonight and tomorrow night at 7:30 o'clock. All are invited to attend.