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Addenda -

By the Editor

I hope the article elsewhere on this page about the meeting with the Army Department in Washington on Thursday of next week makes it clear to everybody that there really has been nothing new on the "Corridor" matter since the last time Greene and myself were in Washington, and that there will not be anything known until this meeting. That is a fact, and anything else would be nothing more than guesswork.

The bill Senator Terry Sanford of Cumberland County introduced in Raleigh this week providing for presidential preference primaries in North Carolina was right interesting to me, as I advocated the same in this column last spring. I hope his bill passes, for, as I said then, the State will be holding a primary at the same time anyway, and the only extra expense would be the printing of the ballots. If enough states would adopt these primaries they would give the people a tremendous voice in presidential nominating, where they have almost none now. Of course, delegates would not be bound by the primary, but they would usually stick to their people's choice on the first ballot at least, and when enough states get to doing it, this can be decisive.

We got a letter from an irate subscriber this week which really told us off. He had asked to have his address changed and had renewed his subscription. What do we do but send his paper to the old address and then send him a letter telling him we are going to cut him off if he doesn't renew. He likened us to the telephone service here and to the foul-up in getting a new Raeford Graded school building, and he was so right. I won't try to explain how it happened, but I stayed after it until I did find out. The result is that our entire subscription list filing system is being remodeled. This, we sincerely hope, will eliminate such things in the future, although I would never bet on it.

Several subscribers have complained lately about getting their papers late. Well, we have moved our mailing time down from Thursday morning to Thursday afternoon, but for the past two weeks we have been later in the afternoon than was our intention, due to some hitches in getting the new schedule straight. The change was made for two reasons. The first one was to eliminate the overtime work on Wednesday nights. The second was that we felt that we could get more news and advertising and have a better paper by having just a little more time in the week in which to get it together. I think this has proved to be the case. We intend to get the papers in the post office by 3:00 o'clock on Thursdays, which will get them to Aberdeen, Rockfish, Fayetteville, Shannon, Lumber Bridge, and Red Springs that day, and allow RFD delivery from all these places, as well as Raeford, on Friday morning. This is what we haven't done for the past two weeks, but which I hope will be the rule from now on.

I hate to admit it, but my wife taught me something about shaving last week. She read something a fellow said about finally after 25 years learning to shave his tough chin whiskers first, while the blade was new. Well, I had always come down the sides first and saved the chin until last, so I tried it. It's really amazing how much better shave you get, so I thought I'd pass it on in case there were others who had had no better idea about shaving than I.

Fellow really made a funny
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Doctors Think County Having "Mild Epidemic"

Raeford doctors, when interviewed on the subject this week, seemed to be in agreement that the county was experiencing at least a mild epidemic of influenza. It seemed to be their opinion also that it is beginning to abate slightly. It was the opinion of one that warm days seem to bring more new cases than cold ones.

The doctors were of the opinion a day or so ago that if it got any worse it would become necessary to close schools and eliminate public meetings for a few days, but all have noticed a few less new cases in the past 48 hours.

It was pointed out by the physicians contacted that most of the cases were reasonably mild, as the state epidemiologist said last week, but that many cases of the stuff had become quite severe by persons involved not taking care of themselves when first symptoms appeared. The public was urged to take first symptoms seriously and to take care of themselves. In these cases the flu is in from 24 to 48 hours in most instances, the doctors said.

Recorder Hears Routine Cases In Court Tuesday

In another session that took almost all day, ten cases were disposed of in Hoke County's recorder's court before Judge T. O. Moses Tuesday. A large part of the day was spent on a case in which judgement will not be rendered until later.

James Long, white, was charged with hit and run driving, driving drunk, careless and reckless driving, and having improper license plates. He was found not guilty of driving drunk and pled guilty of having improper plates. For this he got 30 days suspended on payment of \$10 and costs. He was found guilty of hit and run driving and sentenced to 60 days to be suspended on payment of \$50 and costs, and of careless and reckless driving and ordered to pay a fine of \$25 and costs. He appealed both these cases, posting a bond of \$300.

Daphne Haire Saunders, white, was found guilty of driving drunk. 90-day jail sentence was suspended on payment of \$100 and costs. She was found not guilty on a charge of hit and run driving.

Amos Huetee Jones, white, was found guilty of driving drunk and sentenced to 90 days, sentence to be suspended on payment of \$100 and costs. He appealed and posted \$300 bond.

Odessa Douglas, colored, paid \$25 and costs for driving without a driver's license.

Ronald E. Olsen, white, paid \$20 and costs for speeding and illegal use of a spot light.

Speeders leaving \$25 bonds were John G. Maynard, Ervin C. Henney and Daniel L. Riggs, all white, and Rufus W. Payne, colored. Howard N. Seibert, white, got 30 days suspended on payment of \$20 and costs for speeding.

TAX MAN TO BE HERE

Jack Price, deputy collector of internal revenue of Laurinburg, will be at Robbins Mill on Friday of next week and on Monday of the following week, February 6 and 9, to help anyone that wants it with their 1952 Federal income tax return. He will also be at the courthouse on Thursday and Friday, February 12 and 13, for the same purpose.

Dr. and Mrs. H. K. Holland of Marietta, Ga., were here Wednesday visiting friends. They were enroute to their home after a visit with their daughter, Betty, in Wilmington.

Meeting Is Set With Army About Hoke "Corridor"

Public Meeting Planned

J. L. McNeill, chairman of the Hoke County Committee opposing the taking of the county's land for a corridor from Port Bragg to Camp Mackall, announced this week that a meeting had been scheduled in Washington next week with representatives of the Army Department to further discuss the matter.

He made the statement after members of the committee had been in telephone conversation with the county's attorney in the matter, Kenneth C. Royall, and said that representatives of the county, together with Mr. Royall, would meet with the Army men on next Thursday morning in Washington. He stated that he assumed the Army's final requirements in the matter would be learned at the meeting, and said that until the meeting he would have no idea what they were.

For the benefit of the people in the county who will want to know what takes place at the meeting and just what the status of the affair is, McNeill announced that another public meeting would be held at the courthouse on Saturday night, February 7, at 7:30, right after the return of the delegation from Washington. At this time, he said, all facts known to the committee about the situation would be explained and decision made as to further steps.

McNeill emphasized that there had been no activity in the matter in the past few weeks, during the time the Army had been "restudying" the matter, and that the Army had taken so long as it had presumably because of that inaction in Washington and the change of department heads with the coming in of the new administration.

AUTO STORE REMODELS

While not apparent from the street, Western Auto Associate Store here has recently undergone some extensive remodeling, adding space at the rear of the store, according to C. J. Benner, owner. The new space is an automobile service department which enables the store to install the accessories it sells on the cars of its customers. A grease and oil pit are also included in the new space.

Corrected List Of Greene's Committees

In last week's paper when the committee appointments of Representative Harry A. Greene and Senator J. Benton Thomas in the General Assembly were listed, several of the committees to which Greene had been named were left out through a false impression that there was a Green in the legislature as well as a 'Greene'. Such is not the case.

It was stated last week that Greene was chairman of the committee on Propositions and Grievances in the House, and a member of Roads and Highway Safety, Senatorial Districts, and Insurance.

By way of correction, it is herewith announced that he is also a member of the committees on Agriculture, Appropriations, Manufacturing and Labor, Rules, and the University.

ATTEND DALLAS MEET

Lewis Upchurch and Clyde Upchurch, Jr., of the Hoke Oil and Fertilizer Co., flew to Dallas, Texas, Sunday to attend the convention of the National Cotton Council. Lewis is a director of the council, and Clyde attended as a delegate from North Carolina. They were expected to return yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. P. T. Hines of Greensboro spent Friday with Dr. and Mrs. R. L. Murray.

Thomas M. Molden, 102-Year-Old Citizen, Passes Here Saturday

Thomas Martin Molden, 102, died at 3:15 o'clock last Saturday morning at the home of his daughter, Mrs. K. D. Lowe, in Raeford. He had been confined to his room for about three years, but had been critically ill for only one week.

He was born in Chatham County in 1850, and lived in Tampa, Florida, where he was a carpenter, most of his life. He was married to the former Miss Maggie Baxley, of St. Pauls, who died in 1935. He came to Raeford to live with his daughter about eight years ago.

Funeral service was held at the Free Will Baptist Church in Angier at three o'clock Sunday afternoon, with the pastor conducting. Burial followed in the Angier cemetery.

Surviving are one daughter, Mrs. Lowe, a son, Thomas M. Molden of Angier, and several grandchildren.

Bucks And Does Drop Three Out Of Four Games

Lumberton Here Friday

The basketball fortunes of the local quintet and sextet took a nose dive in the past week as they lost three of the four games they played. The fourth ended in a tie. Friday night the girls were tied at Bladenboro 54-54 and the boys showed little scoring punch as they went down 49-34. Tuesday night at Massey Hill both teams lost; the girls 47-46 and the boys 68-49.

Down at Bladenboro last Friday night the Does played a hotly contested game in which neither team was able to build a safe margin at any time. The first quarter ended in a 16-16 tie but the Does were able to pull away to a four point margin in the second quarter and led 35-31 at half time. The third quarter saw the home team come back and tie the game by scoring 11 points while holding the visitors to only 7. Each team scored 12 points in the final period, which got rough and ragged before it was over. Hodgkin kept the Does in the contest with a remarkable display of shooting to lead both teams with 32 points. Guin with 12 and Scull with 10 accounted for the other points.

In the boys game Bladenboro threw up a tight zone defense that couldn't be solved by the Bucks and they lost 49-34. They were behind 10 points at half time, 26-16 and dropped further behind in the final half to account for the margin of victory for the home team. (Continued on Page 8)

MOTHER'S MARCH ON POLIO SATURDAY EVENING AT 7:00

This Is Your Battle

Contributed

There's a great event coming up this week. It is the Mother's March on Polio, which will take place this Saturday evening at 7:00 o'clock.

According to Dr. R. M. Jordan, chairman of the March of Dimes drive, on that night scores of Women's club volunteer workers, known as "contact mothers" will stop by every home where-ever you, Mr. or Mrs. Citizen, take time out to light your porch lamp or put a light in the window.

The glow of lights will be a reflection of your wish to help those who have been hit by infantile paralysis and to protect the boys and girls of the future from this crippling menace of childhood.

The Mother's March on Polio will be the highlight of the March

Kiwanis Club Picks Gatlin Man Of Year



ROBERT H. GATLIN

Annual Ladies Night Held

The Raeford Kiwanis Club held its annual Ladies Night in the High school cafeteria Thursday night at 7:00 o'clock, and during the program it was announced that Robert H. Gatlin had been chosen by the club's secret committee as Hoke County's "Man of the Year" for 1952.

Dr. Julius Jordan, president, opened the meeting and introduced Ralph Barnhart, master of ceremonies, who began with a welcome to the ladies.

Award for the best program during 1952 was made by A. H. McPhaul, secretary, to Clyde Upchurch, Jr., for his program consisting of a talk by Tommie Upchurch on his observation of mechanized cotton farming in California. Perfect attendance awards were presented by H. L. Gatlin, Jr., to J. C. Lentz, and M. D. Yates, one year; Julius Jordan, four years; Neil A. McDonald, six years; A. H. McPhaul, seven years; and Marion H. Gatlin, nine years.

Speaker of the evening was Dr. Paul Mobray Wheeler, professor of English at Winthrop College, Rock Hill, S. C. His humorous talk on "Marriage" was greatly enjoyed by all present.

Dean White presented the "Man of the Year" cup to Robert Gatlin, citing in his presentation the many useful acts of service to his community and his church. Gatlin had performed to merit the award. He spoke of his service on the county board of education, as superintendent of the Sunday School and in the choir at the Raeford Baptist Church, in the promoting of Robbins Heights, and on the committee dealing with the Fort Bragg-Camp Mackall "corridor."

The Raeford Woman's club served a delicious turkey dinner to approximately 125 Kiwanians and guests.

County Milk Supply Gets Grade A For '52

The Hoke County Health department this week announced that milk for sale in the county during the past year was given a rating of "A" by the department. The rating was given by the department in accordance with specifications of the standard milk ordinance and code adopted in 1947.

Only supplier involved and getting the "A" rating was Cumberland Dairies of Fayetteville, all of whose products were given the rating.

The health department estimates that there were 46,368 gallons of milk and milk products distributed by this dairy in the county last year. A laboratory milk analysis is run by the health department each month to assure the county a safe supply of milk.

YOUR SCHOOL NEWS

By K. A. MacDonald

A comparison of total enrollment and average daily attendance for the first three months this year and for the first three months last year shows that by races, there were 1271 white children enrolled in 1951-52 with an ADA of 1149. This year, 1952-53, 1299 enrolled with an ADA of 1171. The Indian enrollment for 1951-52 was 174 with an ADA of 117, 1952-53 have an enrollment of 196 with 150 in ADA.

The colored schools show enrollment in 1951-52 2185 with an ADA of 1729 and in 1952-53 an enrollment of 2280 with an ADA of 1764. For the county this is a total enrollment and ADA in 1951-52 of 3630 and 2995; in 1952-53, 1775 and 3085. This shows a net gain of 115 in enrollment and 95 in average daily attendance.

The School Health Program in conjunction with the County Health and Welfare Department is announcing the dates for the yearly eye clinics as follows: White and Indian—February 11 and 12 at the Raeford Graded School, and colored—February 25 and 26 at Upchurch High. The Blind Commission always assists the above named agencies in putting on the clinics.

We urge parents whose children need attention for their eyes to have them enter these clinics.

Southeast Assembly Programs, Inc., put on a marionette program at Hoke High on Tuesday.

The first semester at Hoke High ended last Friday. Report cards went out on Monday of this week.

The photographer was here yesterday and today taking pictures, mostly group pictures for the Hoke High 1953 annual. This number of the Elkoh promises to be one of the best ever gotten out.

We wonder what has become of the Hoke High Lights.

Ten boys from Hoke High went to the Sanatorium on Tuesday and six of them gave transfusions. We understand that Sanatorium doctors will come to the school and will type the blood of all students who wish to have it done. Each student will be given a blood type card that they will carry with them at all times.

We understand it is possible to have your blood type tattooed on your body. We wish that this could be done, as students are liable to lose their cards. In case of accidents it might be invaluable. We hope parents will encourage their children to have the typing done.

The Architects are here today with plans for the new Raeford Graded School addition. We hope that there will be no further hitch from here on out.

Influenza is prevalent among the schools. So far, it has not been (Continued on Page 8)

Set For Final Week Of Annual March Of Dimes

Suppers, Shows Scheduled

Most of the events scheduled throughout the county in the polio drive will take place this week, but due to a late start the drive itself has been extended until February 11 in an effort to reach the goal of \$8500 set for Hoke County.

Close to \$900 was turned in during the past week to R. L. Shuford, treasurer of the drive, and this with over \$800 reported last week brings the total to over \$1700, approximately one-fifth of the quota.

McLauchlin Township got their drive under way with an oyster supper at Wayside Community house Thursday night and raised \$157 from the sale of plates and had additional contributions from others unable to attend in the amount of \$29.00, making a total of \$177.50 realized from their effort. Rockfish Gin contributed \$25, making an overall total of \$202.50 turned in to the county treasurer so far from McLauchlin Township.

Mildouson reported that their barbecue and chicken salad supper was a booming success as they turned in approximately \$675 from this and contributions.

Other communities have not as yet reported any money but the chairman feels that they are hard at work on their projects.

For those that enjoy good barbecue, chicken and fish there are still some suppers throughout the county that will take place this week end and next week.

Rockfish will throw their barbecue and chicken salad supper at the Rockfish school building tonight at 5:30 with a talent show after the supper in the auditorium.

Antioch will hold a barbecue and chicken salad supper Friday night of this week at the Antioch Presbyterian Church. Supper will begin at 5:30 followed by a cake sale.

Also on Friday night Ashmont is having a beauty contest and variety show. The beauty contest will be composed of men and will include several prominent men of that community and throughout the county. The variety show will have local talent of Hoke and Moore Counties.

The Mother's March on Polio which will take place in Raeford Saturday night is, according to reports, expected to go over well and is well organized.

There will be a fish and fried chicken supper at Bethel Church for the Polio Drive on Thursday, February 5th, starting at 5:30. The Blue Springs people are working very hard for this worthy cause and hope to have every family at this supper. They are also inviting all surrounding townships to join them at this time for a nice time together and a good meal. Dr. Riley Jordan, County Chairman of Hoke County will attend and talk on Polio.

Guardsmen All-Stars Win Another, 59-42

The local Guardsmen All-Stars took their second straight win of the season last Wednesday night as they defeated the Pine Belt league team from St. Pauls, 59-42. The All-Stars experienced little difficulty in getting their victory and held a comfortable lead throughout the entire contest. Charles Grooms led the scoring for the locals with 18 points followed closely by Scott Beasley, both 71st players, with 14.

Every member of the All-Stars squad saw considerable action, with the subs playing the majority of the second half.

Last night the guardsmen played the Red Springs Robins in Red Springs in a league game. The next game will be played here next Wednesday night with Southern Pines furnishing the opposition.