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Addenda - -

By the Editor

Tommy Upchurch was telling me about a fellow he was with in Washington a few weeks ago. This fellow, it seems, was from Texas and operates the biggest cotton ginning plant in the State. While they were together in Washington a tornado struck his home town and did a great deal of damage. The man's wife called him to advise that his family was all right, and he asked her what happened to an old blind man that lived near by. She couldn't answer at the time, so he told her to find out and let him know. She called him back to say that the old man had not been hurt. Some time later Tommy asked him how his gins and other business enterprises had come out and he said he didn't know, reckon he'd have to call again and ask about them.

Appointment to fill the vacancy on the county board of commissioners caused by the death of Marshall Newton will be made by Clerk of Superior Court J. B. Cameron, according to state law. I guess John will get a considerable amount of advice until the appointment, and a considerable amount of cussing after he makes it, regardless of whom he names. He can pick a man from any section of the county he wants to, but many guesses are that it will be someone from McLauchlin township, since the people of the county had elected Mr. Newton from there. I think he should pick the man he thinks can and will give the most to the job, regardless of what community he lives in. Marshall Newton was a competent, fair-minded commissioner, and a good man for the whole county, and the same standards should be used in picking his successor.

Opinion of most people I have talked to seems to be that there were record crowds at the Raeford churches last Sunday morning. It was a beautiful day, one in which even the worst of us sinners didn't have to look for the glory of God. It was everywhere, and plain to see.

Giving is good for us all, and rare is the one of us who gives more than he should to charities and worthy causes. It does seem to me, though, that there should be some way to consolidate a few of the many chances we get to give around here. It seems that, in writing for the paper, I don't miss a week in handling an article about some new fund-raising campaign. They are all deserving causes, I know, but there is such a glut of them that I wonder if they all wouldn't do better if they would get together and make one strong appeal to the public, divide the take and call it quits until next year.

They say that "Shorty" Clark, almost seven feet of him, is really a scream as the bride in the Womenless Wedding the Lions Club is staging at the High School at eight o'clock Friday night. This is another affair being staged to help pay for the new grand piano at the High School.

About 200 citizens of the county met at the courthouse Saturday night and got a first-hand report from their committee which went to Washington last week on the Army land acquisition matter. They got it straight from the shoulder, with spades being called spades, and consensus seems to be that there is still almost an even chance to save the land, depending on two or three largely unpredictable developments.

"A little thing is a little thing, but faithfulness in a little thing is a great thing."

Miss Sue Gullledge spent the week-end in Raleigh with friends.

Baptists Complete Plans For Youth Week April 12-19

On Wednesday night, April 8 the following young people of the Raeford Baptist church will be presented their keys to various church offices which they will hold during Youth Week—April 12-April 19: Pastor C. J. Benner, Jr., Asst. Pastor, Jimmy Peek, D. R. E.; Linda Mercer, Organist, Janice Benner, Pianist; Helen Rose, Clerk; Jackie Baggett; Treasurer Leon Gatlin; S. S. Superintendent, Roger Dixon; S. S. Secretary, Kermit Wood; T. U. Director, Kenneth Culbreth; T. U. Secretary, Phillip Edge; W. M. U. President, Lilmar Sue Gatlin; W. M. U. Secretary, Lavinia Wade; Brotherhood President, Robert Weaver; Brotherhood Secretary, Fred Williams; Chairman of Deacons, Bobby Setzer; Chief Usher, Everett Garrison.

Other officers will be: Deacons: Milton Glisson, Kenneth Culbreth, Everett Garrison, Jimmy Peek, Robert Weaver, Kermit Wood, Jimmy Baker, Weldon Bishop, Dale Connell, Jackie Baggett, Richard Hord and Jackie Morris. Ushers: Bobby Blanton, James Odom, Garvin Bishop, George Parks, Jr., Howard Hendrix, Harold McCashier, Jerry Wilson, Jim Wade, Paul Blanton, and Ray Thomas. Sunday School Teachers: Sue Gullledge, Gathael Garrison, Betty Kinlaw, Anne Mercer, Sarah L. McGirt, Helen Rose, Jean Cook, Irene Lane, Lavinia Wade, Evelyn Blanton, Carol Coberly, Sandra Wood, Janice Benner, Nancy Bishop, Treva Duncan, Faye Dark, Barbara Warlick, and Lilmar S. Gatlin. Counselors for this Youth week are Mrs. Judson Lennon, Mrs. Wilton Wood, and J. L. Edge, Jr. During the week all the important meetings of the church will be scheduled in order to give these officers an opportunity to serve in their respective places of leadership.

A corps of evangelistic college students from Wake Forest will conduct a Youth Revival on April 18-19. Under the leadership of Wilton Wood, a committee composed of Ramona Cornwell, June Connell, and C. J. Benner, Jr., has made preparatory plans for this revival. Some of these plans include prayer services and groups of personal workers. This week-end is expected to be the climax of Youth Week, and everyone is extended a warm invitation to attend all services.

YOUR SCHOOL NEWS

By K. A. MacDonald

The white and Indian schools have completed the seventh month. As soon as the colored schools complete their seventh month the organization report will be prepared and sent to Raleigh. This is the report on which the teacher allotment for next year is made. Below is given the total enrollment, membership and percentage in attendance for the white and Indian schools for the seventh month.

White: Ashmont 139, 124, 92.4; Mildouson 99, 87, 94.6; Hoke High Elementary 146, 133, 91.7; Raeford Elementary 626, 547, 91.7; Rockfish 126, 106, 97.3 Hoke County Indian 234, 218, 78.8

Total absences for the above schools were 2806. While this is a considerable reduction from the sixth month, we still feel that there are entirely too many absences. We hope that everyone will work to reduce the incidence.

The Rockfish PTA will hold its regular monthly meeting next Tuesday evening, April 14, at 7:30 o'clock.

The faculty and principal of the Raeford Graded school wish to thank the boys in the trades class at Upchurch and their instructor for building a retaining wall in front of the main entrance.

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Judge Tells Man To Stay In County In Court Tuesday

In Recorder's Court Tuesday Judge T. O. Moses reversed the occasionally used procedure of telling a guilty man to stay out of the county for a certain length of time. Joe Willie Sutherland, colored, pled guilty of non-support. Sentence was two years on the roads, to be suspended on condition that Sutherland live in this county for two years, pay \$10 weekly toward his family's support and pay court costs.

Fred Wilson, colored, pled guilty of violating the prohibition laws. He got 60 days suspended on payment of \$50 and costs.

James Patterson, colored, got 30 days suspended on payment of \$10 and costs for public drunkenness and 60 days suspended on payment of \$50 and costs for carrying a concealed weapon.

Nathaniel Williams, colored, was found not guilty on a charge of being drunk in a public place.

Hubert McLean, colored, paid costs for having improper driver's license. Dora Lee Gilchrist, colored, paid \$25 and costs for having no driver's license. State dropped its charge of having no driver's license against Charles Malcolm McNeill, colored, but he had to pay \$10 and costs for having bad brakes. Leroy McKenzie, colored, paid costs for having improper equipment on his car.

John R. Moriarty, white, paid \$25 and costs for careless and reckless driving. On the same charge Wade E. Jenkins, white, had to pay \$10 and costs.

Duane Spencer, white, and Roy Lee McLean, colored, each paid \$10 and costs for speeding. Hasker Dean, colored, left a \$25 bond for the same offense.

Willie Green Huey, colored, got 30 days suspended on payment of \$20 and costs for passing in the face of oncoming traffic.

Hoke Men Leave For Induction Center Monday

A group of 12 Hoke County men left Raeford Monday to be inducted into the Army under the Selective Service system. They were sent from here to Raleigh, and were to proceed from there to Fort Jackson, S. C., for basic training.

The five white men included Robert Hawks, Jr., Bennie D. Mays, Jesse Bryan Miller, Archie Elbert Bundy and Lloyd Faircloth. Seven colored men who went were Otis Mitchell, Willie Zett Purell, John Daniel McLauchlin, Henry Shields, Jr., Richard McLauchlin Kelly, Henry Hazel Monroe and Hughie Jones, Jr.

Clifton E. Dean and Leonard E. Dunn, who were to have been inducted with the group, were transferred to the Army from the local National Guard unit in their National Guard grades.

Mrs. J. M. Baker, clerk to the local draft board, said that Eugene McInnis, white, and Eddie Hubert McCrimmon and Timothy Calvin Taylor, colored, were to have been inducted with the group but have not been located. She said that the call was for 20 men and that 14 were sent, counting the two from the National Guard. Five men from the county will be sent for induction on May 4, Mrs. Baker said.

She said that in recent pre-induction examinations 33 were examined on March 23 and 10 were accepted. On April 1, 17 were examined and report has not been made on results.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon McKay of Dunn were here for the week-end with Mrs. McKay's mother, Mrs. A. K. Currie.

Mrs. Manley Norton spent Easter in Shelby with her son and his family, the Rev. and Mrs. Zane Gray Norton.

1953 Cancer Crusade Starts In County; Runs Through Month

Mrs. Furman O. Clark, chairman of the Hoke County Cancer Crusade for 1953, announced this week that the organization for the drive had been completed and urged people of the county to be generous in their contributions.

The crusade will continue throughout the month of April, she said, pointing out that cancer strikes one person out of five, and that only through research can the threat of this dread disease be eliminated. Funds raised in the drive are used in the never ending search for a cure.

Mrs. Clark said that in addition to contributions made directly to workers in the county, they may be mailed simply to Cancer, care of the Raeford post office.

Goal for the drive in this county has been set at \$750. Mrs. Clark said, a small part of the \$18,000, 000 expected to be raised in the United States. As well as research the money will be used for service to patients, public and professional education about cancer, and general expansion of programs of service.

Chairmen in the communities of Hoke County were announced by Mrs. Clark as follows: Raeford, Mrs. C. R. Suddreth and Mrs. H. K. Brady; Asheley Heights, Mrs. Cole Almond; Montrose, Mrs. W. L. McFadyen; Ashmont, Mrs. E. B. Satterwhite, Pine Forest, Mrs. J. F. Jordan; Allendale, Miss Willie Mae Liles; Wayside, Mrs. Richard Neely; Dundarrach, Mrs. Jesse Gibson; Arabia, Brown Hendrix.

Marlin Dees, Hoke Native, Dies In Cal.

Marlin Dees, 35-year-old Air Force man, and native of this County, died Monday at Mather Air Force Base, California. He had recently returned from his second tour of duty in Korea. Funeral and burial will be at Mt. Pleasant Presbyterian church in Little River Township at a date to be announced later.

A native of the Dundarrach section of the county, he was the son of the late John and Harriet Dees, and had grown up in Little River Township, attending the Vass-Lakeview High school. He had been in the Army and Air Force for about 18 years.

He is survived by his wife and two children; three brothers, Police Chief H. E. Dees of Raeford, Leslie of Portsmouth, Va., and Daniel of Winston-Salem, two sisters, Mrs. W. L. Jones and Mrs. H. O. Wooten, both of Vass, RFD.

Home Demonstration Federation To Meet In Rockingham Wed.

The annual meeting of the 16th District Federation of Home Demonstration Clubs, which includes Hoke, Scotland, Richmond, and Anson Counties, will be held in the West Rockingham Methodist Church in Rockingham on Wednesday, April 15.

Arrangements have been made for the Hoke County women to go to the meeting on a chartered bus which will leave from in front of the Raeford Courthouse at 9:00 a. m. that morning. Lunch will be sold at the Church. Those planning to attend are asked to register in the Home Demonstration Agent's office immediately.

LEGION PLANS FISH FRY MONDAY NIGHT

The regular monthly meeting of the Ellis Williamson American Legion post will be in the form of a fish fry at Clyde Upchurch's pond in Raeford next Monday night at 7:00 o'clock. The pond is located below the Oil Mill on the southeast extension of Oakwood Avenue, and members are urged to attend.

Marshall Newton Buried Monday At Galatia Church

Marshall Newton, prominent farmer and merchant of McLauchlin Township, passed away in a Fayetteville hospital Sunday afternoon shortly after three o'clock following an illness of several weeks. He had suffered a heart attack on the afternoon of March 3 from which he never recovered.

He was one of the organizers and a member of the board of directors of the Lumber River Electric Membership Corporation, and was serving his second term as a member of the Hoke County Board of Commissioners at the time of his death. He was deeply concerned with the prospect of the loss of more land in the county to the Army and had been active on this matter as a member of the board.

Mr. Newton was an elder in the Galatia Presbyterian Church, and the funeral service was conducted there at five o'clock Monday afternoon by the pastor, the Rev. Beverly O. Shannon. Assisting were the Rev. R. H. Poole of St. Pauls and the Rev. W. B. Hayward of Raeford. Pallbearers were nephews of the deceased and burial was in the churchyard cemetery at Galatia.

Surviving are his mother; his wife, the former Cleve Martin of St. Pauls; a son, Edwin Newton of the home; a daughter, Mrs. Edward Brisson of St. Pauls; two grandchildren; a sister, Mrs. Neill McCormack of St. Pauls; eight brothers, H. S. Newton of Parkton, Glenn Newton of Bladenboro, Tom Newton, J. A. Newton, M. C. Newton, Edwin D. Newton, Bill T. Newton and Gordon Newton, all of Fayetteville, Route 3.

Red Cross Drive Extended 2 Weeks

J. W. Canaday, Hoke County chairman of the 1953 Red Cross fund drive, said this week that the drive had been extended for two weeks and that several benefit social affairs were being planned to help raise the quotas in several communities.

The chairman said that only about \$1000, or one-third of the quota given the county, had been turned in so far, but he had hopes of raising the remainder in the next two weeks. He urged all the people of the county to help in the drive, and called attention to the many services the Red Cross renders to people in need in all walks of life, as well as to members of the armed services all over the world.

Local Lady's Mother Dies In Rowland

Mrs. Lela Cottingham McCormick, 81, widow of John A. McCormick, died at her home in Rowland Sunday. The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Jackson Cottingham, she was the mother of Mrs. G. W. Williamson of Raeford.

Funeral services were conducted Monday afternoon at four o'clock at the Ashpole Presbyterian Church, and burial followed in the church cemetery.

In addition to Mrs. Williamson, Mrs. McCormick is survived by two other daughters, two sons, five brothers and seven sisters.

Major and Mrs. Lewis Hart and son of Langley Field, Va., spent several days with Mrs. Hart's mother, Mrs. Arah Stuart.

Mr. and Mrs. Fay Morris of New Bern were week-end guests of Mrs. A. R. Morris.

Lockey Endorsed For Highway Job By County Board

The Hoke County Board of Commissioners at their regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, passed a resolution endorsing Mayor Forrest Lockey of Aberdeen for the job as Sixth Division Highway Commissioner.

Upon resolution of W. M. Thomas, seconded by Douglas McPhaul, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

"Resolved, that we, the Board of Commissioners of Hoke County, hereby endorse Forrest Lockey of Aberdeen, N. C. for appointment of Highway Commissioner of the Sixth Division. Mr. Lockey possesses outstanding ability to handle the job of commissioner. He is a man of sound judgment, and is energetic, fair and honest in all his dealings. He spent his early years in Hoke County and our people have watched his successful career with admiration, and his appointment as Highway Commissioner will meet universal approval in Hoke County."

George Coble of Lexington is present commissioner of the Sixth Division and his term will expire April 30.

The board also passed a resolution on the death Sunday of Marshall Newton, a member of the board. This resolution will be published next week.

Hoke High Wins Two In Week On Diamond

The Hoke High Bucks won their second and third baseball games of the season this past week as they downed Wagram in a lopsided game Friday 24-4 and took a fourteen inning contest from Tar Heel Tuesday afternoon 10-18.

Against Wagram Friday they spotted the visitors two runs, one in the first on a triple and an error and one in the second on another hit and two errors before they scored themselves in the second. But the bottom fell out for the visitors in the third and fourth innings. The locals sent fourteen men to bat in the third inning as they scored nine runs on five hits, three walks and three errors. These were enough to win the game but they still wanted more and got ten runs in the fourth inning on eight hits and three walks. Their final runs came in the sixth inning on four hits and an error.

Wagram was never in the game after the fatal third and fourth innings, but scored two in the fifth innings on two hits and an error.

Jim Bracy pitched for the Bucks and allowed five hits, struck out four and showed wonderful control as he allowed no bases on balls. McLeod and Brown led at the plate with four for five each. McPhaul got three in five trips.

In Tar Heel Tuesday afternoon the Bucks were forced to go fourteen innings against their opponents before winning 10-6. At the end of nine innings the score was tied at 6-6. Raeford got six runs by scoring two in the second inning, three in the fifth on two doubles and a walk and one in the eighth inning on a triple and an infield out.

Tar Heel got two in the first one each in the fourth and fifth and two in the seventh.

Raeford's winning runs in the fourteenth came on three singles and a walk. In all the Bucks got 15 hits with Brown and Bobbitt getting four for seven and Sappenfield getting four for five. Supplying the extra base power was Brown with a double and Sappenfield with two doubles and a triple.

Hardin pitched for Raeford, gave up nine hits, struck out five and walked four.

The locals will play away from home until the 22 of this month meeting Wagram Friday and Southern Pines next Wednesday.

One Car Man Suing Another: Hannon vs Bray

\$32,000 Asked For Slender

David Hannon, automobile salesman for Moore Motor Company of Aberdeen, last week filed suit against Bernard Bray, of the Raeford Auto Company here, asking \$7,000 actual compensatory damages and \$25,000 punitive damages.

The complaint, prepared by the Lumberton law firm of McLean and Stacy, alleges that Hannon as a salesman for Moore Motor Co., contracted to deliver 75 Ford cars to Safety Cab Co., of Fayetteville at the rate of 15 per month, and that two of 15 already delivered had been sent by Safety Cab Co., to Raeford to be used as taxicabs.

That Bray, who owns an interest in Raeford Auto Co., found out that Safety Cab Co., had bought the 75 cars from Moore Motor Co., and called a Mr. Benton, of the Ford Motor Co., in Charlotte, telling him substantially "The deal whereby David Hannon sold 75 cars to Safety Cab Co., for Moore Motor Co., is a crooked deal. David Hannon is not only making a profit on the sale of the cars, but he is also making a profit on the operation of the taxicabs in Raeford."

That Benton, acting for the Ford Motor Co., accepted Bray's charges as true and cancelled the contract which Hannon had negotiated with Safety Cab Co., for 75 cars.

That on the same day, March 18, 1953, Bray said on the streets of Raeford in the presence of Julian Wright, Belton Wright and others, substantially "David Hannon has pulled a crooked deal on Ford Motor Co., and I am going to see that he loses his job with Moore Motor Co."

That these statements amount to moral turpitude, and that they were false and defamatory statements attacking the character, honor and integrity of the plaintiff; that they were intended to and did harm, discredit and damage his reputation and cause him to lose his \$7,000 commission on the cars he had sold Safety Cab Co., for Moore Motor Co., that the words were spoken with the intent and purpose of injuring plaintiff in his trade and did so;

That plaintiff's reputation and standing in community was thereby damaged and he has been held up to scorn, contempt and ridicule and has damaged his good name and character before the public; that plaintiff asks judgment of \$7,000 actual and \$25,000 punitive damages, costs and such other relief as plaintiff may be entitled to upon the whole cause.

Scouts Planning Unique Session

Some 250 Boy Scouts form 100 troops in eight Southeastern North Carolina Counties are expected to attend a unique Junior Leaders Training Conference at the Royal Palm Hotel, Carolina Beach, April 17, 18, and 19, Neill Cornwall, Boy Scouts of America Executive announced today.

The Conference is set up and run entirely by the Scouts, from 11 to 14 years old, and adult participation in the event is limited to roles as discussion leaders and advisors.

The event is planned by the boys from the beginning to the end and all decisions are made by them Cornwall said. Representatives from Boy Scouts troops in New Hanover, Pender, Brunswick, Columbus, Bladen, Robeson, Scotland and Hoke Counties will attend the three day conference.

The purpose of the meeting is to train the boy leaders in the functions of Scouting, Cornwall said.

Friday, April 17, members will (Continued On Page 4)