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## Addenda

By Sam Morris

With the editor away in summer camp with the National Guard, it has been asked of me who would write this column. Smith asked the boss before they left if I was going to write it. The boss replied no one had asked him. So maybe I won't have a job when the boss sees the column with a new by-line.

The merchants of the town are staging Dollar Days this week. Much has been said about not shopping in Fayetteville. Now is a good time not only to get the specials that they are offering but to look over their other wares. Many of them have the same nationally advertised lines that you will find in other towns. Some people say they are cheaper here also. Could be true, as the overhead for a business in Raeford is cheaper than in the larger cities. So give the local merchants a chance.

During the week of July 11, N. H. G. Balfour and John McGoogan attended the National Convention for County Commissioners in Boston, Mass., where Mr. Balfour presented an address on the Hoke County-Fort Bragg land issue. Below is a letter received this week by Mr. Balfour which we think shows the manner in which it was presented:

"Dear Mr. Balfour: One of the earliest and certainly the most pleasant of my duties as President of the National Association of County Officials is that of thanking you for your very splendid contribution to the recent conference of our Association. Such a splendid and timely address is rare under any circumstances but you are to be especially commended and thanked for your service in delivering it without charge. I wish to assure you, however, that your purpose of rendering a public service was fully accomplished. Please accept the thanks of myself personally and of the National Association of County Officials.

Sincerely,  
G. A. Treagle, President."

Last week at the courthouse I had a talk with J. A. McGoogan, county auditor. Being the first superintendent of schools in this county we wanted his viewpoint on the progress the schools have made since that time. At first he said he didn't know because he was going to Bogue Sound for a few days. Then he started telling me about the teacher load in Washington, D. C. compared with the teacher load in North Carolina. To my surprise the teacher load in Washington is greater than in this state. Thirty-six to thirty-two, if I'm not mistaken. This information was from a Washington newspaper received by Mr. McGoogan from Charlie Howard. After telling Mr. McGoogan that he would have a week to prepare the article for the paper, he consented to do it. So here is something we can all have to look forward to if it is half as good as his answer to the editorial in the Fayetteville Observer. The people of my age will see that things have changed even since we were in school.

Along with the article of Mr. McGoogan's, which will be in a special section of the paper Sept. 3rd, will be pictures, both old and new, of school buildings, football and baseball teams, and local citizens connected with the schools. We will also have write-ups of the schools at Ashmont, Mildouson and Rockfish. We are trying to get people from these communities to write the articles so they will have a local aspect. We will have stories about the progress of the Indian and Negro schools of the county. Other articles will be on the agriculture department, physical education  
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## Mrs. M. L. McIntyre Dies On Sun.; Funeral In Wagram Tuesday

Mrs. Martin L. McIntyre of Raleigh, the former Ann McMillan of Wagram, died Sunday afternoon at 2:00 o'clock at Rex Hospital in Raleigh after an illness of two days.

Mrs. McIntyre, who was 21 years of age, was the only child of Mr. and Mrs. Monroe McMillan of Wagram. She attended Peace College in Raleigh. She was married to Martin L. McIntyre, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. McIntyre of Raeford in 1950.

Funeral service was at 3:00 o'clock Tuesday afternoon at the Montpellier Presbyterian Church in Wagram, conducted by the Rev. E. D. Johnson, pastor of the Spring Hill Baptist Church, assisted by the Rev. Jack Wooley of Raleigh. Pallbearers were Louie Brooks, Jr., Bruce McDaniel, John A. McKay, Houston Black, Frank Carter and Frank McNeill.

Surviving are her husband; her parents; and a son, Martin L. McIntyre, Jr.

## C. P. & L. Will Aid In Lighting Problem

Marion H. Gatlin, member of the town board, who is chairman of the street lighting committee, reports that the Carolina Power and Light Company will cooperate with the town of Raeford in its effort to get the wires and poles cleaned up or off of Main Street. In a letter received from the company they stated that Sam Mauney, their street lighting engineer, will come to Raeford at his first opportunity to talk over this problem. They are willing to do this work free of charge. Mr. Gatlin says that there are two types of street lights now in use, one in Sanford and the other in Southern Pines, either of which will add greatly to the power cost to the town.

If this project is approved, it will be tried out for three blocks in the business section of Main Street. If the cost is not prohibitive, the new lights will be used all over town. It has been pointed out that the moving of the wires and poles from Main Street to the alleys might be expensive to some stores, because most of the present power connections are at the front of the buildings. The expense of wiring inside each building will have to be borne by the property owner.

## PERSONALS

Mrs. J. H. McAnulty and son, Mike, visited J. H. McAnulty in Salisbury over the week end. On their return, they visited Rev. and Mrs. Judson Lennon and family in Albemarle.

Mrs. W. C. Sellers and daughters, Mrs. H. K. Morgan and Linda spent last week with Mr. Sellers in Chattanooga, Tenn.

Mrs. John Lentz has accepted the position of office nurse for Dr. R. M. Jordan.

Dr. and Mrs. R. A. Matheson are visiting their daughter, Mrs. E. C. Brooks and Lt. Brooks at Cherry Point.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Bishop of Key West, Florida spent last week with Mrs. Bishop's parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. A. McInnis.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Thomas visited their daughter, Mrs. Bob Foreman and Mr. Foreman at Nega Head last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Furman Clark and children are visiting Mrs. Clark's parents in Detroit, Mich.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. O'Rourke and children of Colorado Springs, Colorado are visiting Mrs. O'Rourke's mother, Mrs. W. F. Walters.

Mr. and Mrs. Wade Currie and children of Charlotte visited Mr. Currie's sister, Mrs. J. W. McKenzie, the past week end.

## Local Guardsmen Arrive At Camp Stewart Monday

Members of the local unit of the National Guard in training at Camp Stewart, Georgia for their annual two weeks encampment are looking forward to their day and a half vacation from Army life as they begin to wind up their first week.

They arrived in camp around ten o'clock Monday morning after an uneventful, but tiring trip by motor convoy. Sunday night was spent at the airport at Ridgeland, S. C., forty miles north of Savannah. A hot meal of steak and all the trimmings was served them by their own kitchen unit. The noon meal consisted of sandwiches and lemonade served on the road during the mid-day rest stop.

Monday was spent getting their personal gear and unit equipment unpacked and set up for use. Tuesday, the training began in earnest, as classes were conducted in the field with practice runs with 50 caliber machine guns and 40 mm anti-aircraft guns. Firing began Wednesday and will continue today and be brought to a close Friday at noon. The targets consist of sleeves towed about 1000 yards behind a B-26 airplane and radio controlled pilotless aircraft known as "R-Cats". The R-Cats have a wing span of approximately 15 feet, attain speeds up to 300 miles per hour and perform maneuvers equal to those of any airplane. When one is hit by a burst of machine gun fire, a parachute is released and floats the plane down to the ground. When hit by a burst from the 40's the planes come down in small pieces, usually burning. The guardsmen brought several planes down with their machine guns on Wednesday and expect to score several direct hits with the 40 mm guns today and tomorrow.

Friday afternoon will be used to clean equipment in preparation for Saturday morning's inspection and parade. After the parade, men that do not have week end duty, will be free until Monday morning reveille.

Facilities available on the post for recreation include a swimming pool, three theatres, post exchanges, and all types of athletic fields and courts.

The food so far has been extremely good, and arrangements made in nearby Hinesville provide the men with speedy laundry service for their uniforms.

Next week the local battery will join the other batteries in the battalion in a field maneuver which will begin Monday and run through Thursday afternoon.

Seventy-nine enlisted men and six officers from Raeford and Hoke County are under the command of Captain Edwin D. Newton, and along with outfits from Red Springs, St. Pauls, Sanford and Southern Pines, make up the 130th Battalion under the command of Lt. Col. William Lamont, Jr. of Raeford.

## NEW STOP LIGHT

A new stop light has been installed at the intersection of Main Street and Elwood Avenue. Motorists will be able to make right and left turns but U-turns will be prohibited. This has been one of the most congested corners on Main Street due to motorists making U-turns.

## RETURNS FROM FAR EAST

Completing a nine-month tour of combat duty in the Far East, the fast attack aircraft carrier USS Philippine Sea returned here Aug. 14th.

Serving aboard with Fighter Squadron 91 is C. Alton McMillan aviation structural mechanic airman, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank McMillan of Route 2, Raeford.

Following a brief stop in San Francisco, the ship is scheduled to be at San Diego also.

## Raeford Stores Will Hold Dollar Days Friday Thru Monday

A Dollar Days sales event, sponsored by some of the local stores, will begin tomorrow morning and continue through Monday of next week with the customers being offered sacrifice savings on many summer wearing apparel items and general summer purchases.

With the opening of schools being less than three weeks away and with this sales event being the last opportunity to make summer purchases at a saving, shoppers will probably want to get school outfits at a savings to them.

Readers of The News-Journal are urged to shop the Dollar Days ads listed in the pages of the paper and then make their purchases accordingly.

## Wheat Controls Will Cover Crop Next Year

Hoke County wheat growers voted 100 per cent in favor of strict marketing quotas on the 1954 crop in last week's nationwide referendum.

The tabulation by the Federal Agriculture Department showed that 361,392 farmers voted for the controls, while only 53,252 registered disapproval.

By accepting rigid marketing controls, the wheat farmers are assured of continued high government price supports.

Secretary of Agriculture Benson promised the nation's wheat producers this week that he will carry out the rigid control program they have voted for next year's crop "in an equitable and constructive manner."

Benson, who has indicated in the past a preference for a different approach to farm surplus problems, issued this public pledge of co-operation after preliminary returns from last Friday's nationwide referendum showed that wheat farmers favored strict marketing quotas on the 1954 crop by a 7-1 margin.

The agriculture secretary said he feels the farmers "have made a wise decision—a decision in their own best interests."

He emphasized that his department furnished the farmers with all the necessary facts on which to base a decision and that this was one "objectively and without trying to influence the vote."

That top-heavy 87.2 per cent favorable vote set a new record for wheat referenda. It was well above the two-thirds majority required by law.

Although the returns were described as preliminary, the department said it expects little change from that ratio when the final official count is in.

## County Board Deals With Road Matters At Special Meeting

The County Board of Commissioners held a special meeting Friday, August 14 to take action on roads in the county.

Present at the meeting were Forrest Lockey, Division Highway Commissioner, T. G. Poindexter, Division Engineer, and E. T. Brame, District Engineer, who met with the board to discuss highway matters.

The following road was given unanimous approval by the board: the road to the swimming hole as laid out by the highway officials.

The road beginning on Highway 211 at the J. D. Mason residence and running to the paved road at the old Bethune residence was approved for stabilization.

The road from the Wire Road to Freddie's Lake was given unanimous approval of the board for additional to the highway system.

Visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Chester Wade over the week end were Misses Carolyn and Eleanor Dixon and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Dixon and sons, all of Oxford.

## Merchants Plan Festival Day For November 25th

At a meeting last week of the Merchants committee of the Raeford Chamber of Commerce it was decided to hold a Raeford Festival Day November 25 and on this date award several valuable prizes at a drawing.

Tickets will be given to stores participating in this event to customers when they make their purchases. Stubs will be deposited in containers in the store and then on Festival day drawings will be held to determine the winners.

A complete list of prizes is not definite at this time but it is assumed that they will be household appliances and various other gifts. Additional gifts awarded by various individual stores will be added to the prizes offered by the Merchants Committee.

A list of the prizes and merchants participating in this event will be announced later as plans are completed.

## Prevette Resigns As County Farm Agent

The Hoke County board of commissioners at their regular monthly meeting, accepted the resignation of J. H. Prevette, who has been county farm agent since last March.

Prevette came here from Raleigh, where he had been employed as assistant farm agent for Wake County, and he resigned to return to Raleigh as public relations representative for the Pine State Dairies at a considerably larger salary than he was receiving here.

Mr. and Mrs. Prevette moved to Raleigh on Monday, August 17.

Mr. Prevette is a graduate of State College, a veteran of World War II, and is married to the former Miss Helen Gillespie of Statesville.

No announcement has been made as to his successor.

## Monroe McMillan, Native Of County, Dies On Tuesday

Monroe McMillan, 64, prominent citizen of Wagram, died Tuesday afternoon in the Scotland Memorial Hospital in Laurinburg where he was taken after suffering a stroke on Monday.

Mr. McMillan was born in the Blue Springs section of Hoke County and moved to Wagram about 30 years ago and was engaged in farming there. He and his wife operated the McMillan Motor Company here for several years in the early '40s.

Funeral service was held this morning at 11:00 o'clock at the Spring Hill Baptist Church in Wagram, of which the deceased was a member. The Rev. E. D. Johnson conducted the service and burial was in the Spring Hill Cemetery.

Mr. McMillan is survived by his wife, the former Bessie Crump; four sisters, Lettie, Mary Lee, Ginny and Annie, all of Blue Springs township; and a grandson, Martin L. McIntyre, Jr.

## Eight Inducted At Raleigh Monday

Eight Hoke County men were inducted into the Army in Raleigh Monday. They were sent to the reception center at Fort Jackson, S. C. and stopped by here on the way. Those inducted were: Julian Hubert Blue, Jr., Neill Blue Sinclair, Jr., James Sinclair, Bobby McNeill, Benjamin Bridges, Robert E. Steele, Alvester McNeill and Leon Love.

Mrs. J. M. Baker announced that the September 18th call for induction will take all the remaining men who have been examined and accepted.

Their will be a pre-induction call on September 2nd. Orders have already been issued for those registered.

## REA Announces Reduction In Rates Beginning Sept. 1

The Lumbee River Electric Membership Corporation announces a reduction in the rates for electric service to its members.

According to C. L. Ballance, president, this is another effort to meet the demands and satisfy the best interests of the membership at large. For quite some time the directors of the cooperative have been considering a rate reduction. However, any rate adjustment must be approved by REA in Washington before final action can be taken by the board of directors of the cooperative. At a recent meeting the board adopted the new rate structure as approved by REA to become effective with the September 1 electric bill.

The new rate structure is set up in such a manner to benefit each member of the cooperative—from the minimum user to the maximum user. Reduced rate schedules have been set up for the farm and home consumer, the commercial consumer, and for schools, churches, and community buildings.

Lumbee River Electric Membership Corporation serves some 7,000 members with more than 1,200 miles of line located in the counties of Hoke, Robeson, Scotland and Cumberland.

## Liquor And Car Cases Face Judge Moses On Tuesday

In recorder's court Tuesday morning before Judge T. O. Moses, liquor and car cases were dealt with. Two were tried for driving drunk. Jarvis Edward Johnson, colored, was found guilty of driving drunk and was sentenced to three months on the roads. Sentence was suspended on payment of a fine of \$100 and court costs. Rufus McCall, colored, was sentenced to 90 days on the roads for the same offence. Sentence was suspended on payment of a fine of \$100 and court costs.

Eddie Scrivens and David Chapman, both colored, were found guilty of having improper brakes on their cars. Judgment was suspended in both cases on payment of a fine of \$10 and court costs.

Allen Putt Grew, white man of McCain, was found guilty of public drunkenness. He forfeited a \$25 bond.

Pearson Hall, white, was found guilty of public drunkenness. Sentence was 30 days suspended on payment of a fine of \$10 and court costs.

James W. Chavis, Indian, for having no operator's license, paid court costs.

Dewey T. Lovette, white, charged with failing to stop at a stop sign, was found guilty. Judgment was suspended on payment of court costs.

Johnnie G. McLauchlin, colored, was found guilty of speeding and failing to stop for a siren. Sentence was 30 days suspended on payment of \$35 and court costs.

Speeders were: Marvin L. Swenson, white tourist, forfeited \$35 bond; Ernest L. Ferguson, white, forfeited \$25 bond; John C. McGrath, white tourist, 70 mph, forfeited \$35 bond; Robert F. Frasca, white soldier, 70 mph, forfeited \$35 bond.

## MRS. MCINNIS SICK

Mrs. A. A. McInnis, Rockfish correspondent for the News-Journal, is a patient at Moore County Hospital where she underwent an operation Tuesday. Mrs. McInnis is recovering nicely and we hope to see her column in next week's edition.

Mr. and Mrs. R. O. Atkinson of Chester, S. C. visited Mrs. L. B. Brandon the past week end. Caroline and R. O., Jr., who spent two weeks here with their aunt, returned home with their parents.

## Superior Court To Convene Here Monday Morning

Judge Nimocks To Preside

Judge Q. K. Nimocks, Jr. of Fayetteville will convene the regular August term of Hoke County Superior Court here next Monday morning for the trial of criminal and civil cases. Criminal cases are set for Monday and Tuesday and the civil docket is to follow.

The criminal docket has four old cases continued from the last term of court. These include the Johnnie Thompson charge of selling land he didn't have title to, the Archie T. Ferguson non-support case, the larceny charge against Alton Odum and R. P. Lambert and the assault with a deadly weapon charge against William McDonald.

New cases coming up include schedules have been set up for the farm and home consumer, the commercial consumer, and for schools, churches, and community buildings. Lumbee River Electric Membership Corporation serves some 7,000 members with more than 1,200 miles of line located in the counties of Hoke, Robeson, Scotland and Cumberland. Liquor and car cases were dealt with. Two were tried for driving drunk. Jarvis Edward Johnson, colored, was found guilty of driving drunk and was sentenced to three months on the roads. Sentence was suspended on payment of a fine of \$100 and court costs. Rufus McCall, colored, was sentenced to 90 days on the roads for the same offence. Sentence was suspended on payment of a fine of \$100 and court costs. Eddie Scrivens and David Chapman, both colored, were found guilty of having improper brakes on their cars. Judgment was suspended in both cases on payment of a fine of \$10 and court costs. James W. Chavis, Indian, for having no operator's license, paid court costs. Dewey T. Lovette, white, charged with failing to stop at a stop sign, was found guilty. Judgment was suspended on payment of court costs. Johnnie G. McLauchlin, colored, was found guilty of speeding and failing to stop for a siren. Sentence was 30 days suspended on payment of \$35 and court costs. Speeders were: Marvin L. Swenson, white tourist, forfeited \$35 bond; Ernest L. Ferguson, white, forfeited \$25 bond; John C. McGrath, white tourist, 70 mph, forfeited \$35 bond; Robert F. Frasca, white soldier, 70 mph, forfeited \$35 bond.

Two cases are held for grand jury action on recommendation of a coroner's jury in each case. They are Carrie Lee McLauchlin in the death of Ida Belle Deberry and Roby Calloway, Eugene Gordon and Talmadge Melton in the death of Elmer Gordon.

The civil docket includes three divorce cases, and eight other cases.

Grand jury will be the same as served last term and those called for petit jury duty are as follows:

Mrs. L. J. Tapp, R. H. Livingston, R. A. Smoak, J. F. Smith, Harrell Boyles, R. H. Edge, J. A. Webb, John D. McKeithan, Jasper Chavis, W. A. McBryde, Belton Wright, Odell Wooten, C. L. Williams, J. L. Guin, William Smith, Cliff Gillis, D. W. Gillis, H. O. Wooten, L. A. Moss, Kermit L. Wood, Milton Parks, Guy R. Bullock, A. W. Wood, S. L. Glisson, E. B. Campbell, N. A. McKeithan, Clyde M. Pittman, Mrs. Arthur D. Gore, Zeb Butler, Frank McMillian, Luther McGirt, Martin McKeithan, D. L. Moss, Graham Monroe, F. A. Monroe, D. A. McDouglas, D. L. Halthcock, David A. Smith, J. W. Scull, Mrs. J. H. Blue.

## Elwood Avenue Being Repaved This Week

State road equipment was in town this week reworking the paving on Elwood Avenue eastward from the Bank of Raeford. This street had become one of the roughest streets in town in spite of being paved, and the work being done will save what is already there.

While the work on Elwood Avenue was being done Highway Commissioner Forrest Lockey offered to pave Racket Alley, which runs from Elwood Avenue next to Dr. Matheson's office to Central Avenue between the hotel and McDonald's Esso Servicenter. This alley has the traffic of over 40 buses every day and really takes a beating. Lockey said that while the equipment was there it could be done with little extra expense and would not be charged to the town's paving allotment under the Powell bill, but would be charged to the equalization account which each highway commissioner has available for such items. It being a case of taking advantage of the situation as it existed, the town fathers did so, and the citizens of the town will undoubtedly be glad.