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Addenda - By The Editor

Business firms in this town are together for once, I believe. Just about everything here will close up on Saturday, December 26, as well as on Christmas Day. Para Thread Co. and Robbins Mills are not running from Wed- and Hoke Concrete Works will close at noon Thursday and open Monday.

For a man who was only a lieutenant in the Air Force, Truman Austin gets around with some pretty high ranking airmen. Here as his guests for bird hunting in the county Monday and Tuesday of this week were General Nathan F. Twining, chief of staff of the United States Air Force, and Lt. Gen. Frank Everest, also of the Air Force from the Pentagon, who has duty with the Joint Chiefs of Staff. They were accompanied by Frank Everest, Jr., aviation cadet from Missouri, and all enjoyed a barbecue supper at Neill A. McDonald's pond Monday night.

Mayor Alfred Cole told me last week that during the street paving in the next few months the town was going to pave a skating rink in the pine park back of the McLaughlin school. This will really be fine, and will give the youngsters a chance to learn to skate and do their skating off the streets and sidewalks.

We have had the Boy Scout drive and we are having the T. B. fund drive through the sale of Christmas Seals and bonds. Coming soon will be the March of Dimes for fighting infantile paralysis, the Cancer Crusade, the sale of Easter seals for crippled children, the Red Cross drive, and probably others I don't think of at the moment. They are every one good causes, and each deserves all we can give it. Coming one after another and maybe two at a time, though, they make a person who wants to do his part wonder if there isn't some better way to help these causes. Some communities have "Community Chest" or "United Fund" drives, with the proceeds being divided among the causes needing the money. The approach used has been that this is the only appeal to be made to the public along this line in a year, and a person can make one contribution for all the causes. This is certainly easier on the public, and I understand the campaigns get just as much money. I would like to see such scheme tried here.

This column has been mighty quiet about the deplorable condition of the Raeford cemetery since one Paul Dickson was named chairman of a committee to do something about it. Others on the committee are Mrs. H. A. Cameron of the Woman's Club, Neill McFadyen of the Kiwanis Club, Joe Upchurch of the Jaycees and J. Evander Gillis of the Lions Club. Action will be taken early next month.

Got a note from Mrs. D. B. Traywick, our regular Arabia correspondent who has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. Gerald Richards, in Nebo, Ill., for several weeks, wishing everyone a Merry Christmas. While Mrs. Traywick is away her column is being written by Mrs. Brown Hendrix.

Judge T. O. Moses saved the county welfare department more than \$1,000 when he decided to put Joe Scott and Carson Locklear under suspended sentences instead of sending them to the roads, as both have families that would have to be supported. In addition, Scott has a good record for several years. Locklear, it appears, is more or less a visitor with his family from another county, doing no productive work and owning no property here. Sending him out of the county seems wise to me, also.

DR. MATHESON AT HOME

Dr. R. A. Matheson returned last Thursday from Duke hospital where he had been a patient since he was hurt in a wreck on Friday, December 4. While his condition is considered to be improving satisfactorily by the doctors at Duke, he will have to take it easy for several weeks yet. He is able to have company for short periods each day, but his doctors have told him he cannot return to work before February first.

PERSONALS

Miss Lona Graham and Murdoch McDuffie are spending the holidays in Faison with their sister, Mrs. D. Newton and family.

Mrs. A. A. Walters has returned home from Moore County Hospital and is recovering nicely.

Mrs. W. B. Crumpton of Belmont arrived Friday to spend the holidays with her mother, Mrs. B. R. Gatlin.

Mrs. Gordon Edwards of Sanford is visiting her daughter, Mrs. William Lentz and family.

Miss Maude Poole of Belmont arrived Sunday to spend her vacation with her father, D. Scott Poole.

Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Campbell left Tuesday for Miami, Fla. to spend Christmas week with their daughter, Mrs. M. G. Collins and family.

Kenneth and Edmund Miller of Duke University are spending the holidays with their parents, the Rev. and Mrs. J. H. Miller.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. McBryde had as dinner guests on Sunday the following members of their family: Mr. and Mrs. James McBryde and sons, Mr. and Mrs. Bob McBryde and family of Lumberton, Mr. and Mrs. Brown McBryde and sons of Pembroke, Mr. and Mrs. John S. Bateman of Lumberton and Mr. and Mrs. Buster Bread of Rex.

Miss Jean Sherrill will leave Friday for a visit with Miss June Sarratt in Shelby.

Miss Pauline Davis of Asheboro is spending the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Monroe.

Henry F. Crenshaw of Ft. Deposit, Ala. arrived yesterday to spend Christmas with his family at the home of Mrs. H. C. McLaughlin.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Niven of Duneedin, Fla. are visiting Miss Lizzie Niven.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Gullodge and C. J. Williamson of Fayetteville spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Dick Paschal in Greensboro.

Mr. and Mrs. T. N. McLaughlin and daughters, Mrs. G. W. Hanna and Miss Sara Hanna will visit Mrs. Earl McAuley in Statesville on Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Thomas returned Saturday from a trip to Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Reid and Ann of Dillon, S. C. spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Tom Jones.

Mr. and Mrs. John Nicholson and son are visiting Mrs. Nicholson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Winstead in Roxboro.

Mrs. L. B. Sutton of Live Oak, Fla. arrived yesterday for a visit with her daughter, Mrs. R. A. Matheson and Dr. Matheson.

Dr. and Mrs. W. S. Hood and daughters are expected tomorrow for a visit with Mrs. Hood's parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Warren.

Lt. Julia A. Kuempel and Lt. Ida Mae Schoen of Ft. Bragg will be guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Gobeille for Christmas Day.

Christmas Greetings

FOR many of us the Holiday season is also "inventory time." This is a happy coincidence. Because, when we come to count our assets . . . none is quite so valuable as the one that never appears on our books, but which is always written large in our hearts . . . the friendship and loyalty of those whom we are privileged to serve. To one and all of you we say sincerely: "Thanks a million . . . and may the happiness of the season abide with you and yours throughout the New Year."

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Cotton Council To Meet February 1-2

Lincolnton—Twenty-one members of the North Carolina-Virginia cotton industry will represent the area at the sixteenth annual meeting of the National Cotton Council at Atlanta, Georgia, February 1-2. B. C. Lineberger, chairman of the Council's North Carolina-Virginia unit, announced this week.

Council delegates representing cotton producers, ginners, warehousemen, merchants, cottonseed crushers and spinners at the Atlanta meeting, will take part in formulating 1954 programs designed to improve cotton quality, increase efficiency and step up sales promotion.

In announcing the delegates who will represent the North Carolina-Virginia unit, Mr. Lineberger asserted that "the cotton industry has come a long way since the Council's inception in 1938. The quality of cotton products, the efficiency of the industry and the acceptance of the products of lint and seed have all climbed to a level where cotton now enjoys a unique advantage and a real opportunity to score new gains. However, it must be stressed that a redoubled effort is needed if cotton is to consolidate its position in established markets and capture and hold new ones. In these tough, competitive times an all-out selling job, based on research and promotion is necessary to keep our industry strong and healthy."

Delegates elected to represent the North Carolina-Virginia cotton groups include:

Producers: T. B. Upchurch, Jr., Raeford and Fred J. Johnson, Raleigh.

Ginners: Clyde E. Upchurch, Jr., Raeford.

Crushers: L. M. Upchurch, Raeford.

DANCES NEXT WEEK

The Raeford Jaycees will hold a dance at the Armory next Wednesday night for the benefit of their community improvement fund. The music of Hal Gore and his orchestra will be featured.

On Thursday night the local National Guard unit will hold a New Year's Eve square dance, also at the armory, to which the public is invited.

Ruritans Enjoy Supper Meeting

The Stonewall Ruritan club held its regular monthly meeting at the Mildouson school on Wednesday night of last week, and as reported in last week's paper, they were served a fine chicken supper by the Mildouson Parent-Teacher association.

Officers for 1954 were installed as follows, W. W. Walker, president, W. L. Smith, vice-president, Whiteford Jones, secretary, Bill Jones, treasurer. New directors are J. A. Jones, J. M. Andrews and N. H. G. Balfour. Officers were installed by T. C. Jones. Daniel McInnis, retiring president, presided over the meeting.

Program for the evening was an inspiring talk by Ruritan J. M. Andrews on "What a Ruritan Means to His Community."

HIGH SCHOOL DANCE NEXT THURSDAY NIGHT

The Band and Student Council of the Hoke County High School will sponsor a New Year's Eve Dance on Thursday, December 31 at the Hoke High School gym. The dance will be held from 9:00 p. m. to 12:30 a. m. Music will be furnished by the school orchestra directed by J. B. Renn. All students and former students are invited. A small admission will be charged.

GO TO SEE NEW FORDS

Bernard Bray, Evander Gillis and Archie Calhoun of Raeford Auto Company went to Charlotte Monday where they attended an advance showing of the new 1954 Ford cars and trucks. These new vehicles are to be presented to the public on January 8, 1954.

Lt. and Mrs. E. C. Brooks of Cherry Point are spending the holidays with Mrs. Brooks' parents, Dr. and Mrs. R. A. Matheson.

Mrs. Louis Parker has returned home from Highsmith Hospital after having broken her leg two weeks ago.

Richard Neeley is spending Christmas in Lamar, Mo. with his mother, who is recovering from virus pneumonia.

A. V. Sanders Loses Sawmill; Burns Thur.

The sawmill of A. V. Sanders on the northwest edge of Raeford was destroyed by a fire of unknown origin which started shortly before midnight last Thursday. In addition to the sawmill engines and equipment and the building, a truck which was backed up into the building was damaged considerably.

Sanders had not given an estimate of just how much he was damaged by the fire, but his mill was considered almost a total loss.

Several Other Alarms

There were three other fire alarms during the week, with none of them being serious. On Monday the fire department went out twice, once to a grass fire at the Chatterbox in Sunset Hills and again to a fire at the oil mill which was out when they got there. On Tuesday the alarm was turned in for a truck which was on fire, but it was out early enough for the fire truck not to have to go out.

W. C. Mishoe Dies Saturday Night

William Carter Mishoe, 77, died suddenly Saturday night at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Lonnie Smith, in Raeford. He was a resident of Fayetteville for many years.

He is survived by five sons, Willie of Beaufort, Bright, Ernest and Richard of Rock Hill, S. C.; six daughters, Mrs. Bessie Tedder of Garland, Mrs. Margaret Pitt of Jacksonville, Fla., Mrs. Louise Mason of Belvedere, S. C., Mrs. Elsie Williams of Springfield, Mrs. Sadie Edge of York, Pa., and Mrs. Lonnie Smith of Raeford; two sisters, Mrs. Manda Russ of Myrtle Beach, S. C. and Mrs. Adeline Martin of Conway, S. C.; 42 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Wednesday at 2 p. m. from the home of Mrs. Lonnie Smith in Raeford, conducted by the Rev. Luther Westley. Burial was in the Hope Mills cemetery.

Mrs. Juanita Hewitt of Martinsville, Va. is visiting her mother, Mrs. J. A. Cameron.

Annual Meeting Of Chamber Is Planned

Jake Austin, secretary of the Raeford Chamber of Commerce, this week is notifying members officially of the annual meeting of the Chamber which will be held at the courthouse on Thursday night, January 7, at 8:00 o'clock.

In his notice Austin told members that they would hear a report of the chamber's activities during 1953, and that four new directors for 1954 would be elected. Directors whose terms expire are J. H. Austin, C. L. Thomas, R. B. Lewis and W. H. Fann. They have been nominated for reelection along with Tom Cameron, Israel Mann, J. A. Baucum and Marion Gatlin.

Following the meeting of the membership the directors will meet to elect officers for the year. Harvey Gobeille, Para Thread Co. manager, is retiring president.

YOUR SCHOOL NEWS By K. A. MacDonald

Merry Christmas!

The holidays have started and will end on the twenty-ninth and thirtieth. We hope everyone enjoys them to the fullest. The colored schools re-open on the twenty-ninth and the white on the thirtieth.

Resale of Peachmont and Piney Bay school sites will take place on December 31 at 12:00 noon at the courthouse door.

The Board of Education will hold its January meeting on Monday, January 4, at 9:30 a. m.

We have never seen such beautiful Christmas doings in the schools as we have this year. We think Old Santa came to see every child who was in school.

Congratulations to the Bucks and Does for taking Seventy First! Good going!

Miss McKenzie's third grade surprised her with a kitchen shower at the time the grade mothers gave the children their customary Christmas party. The mothers prepared extra refreshments and all teachers were invited in. They presented Miss McKenzie, who will become the bride of Edwin Purcell of Laurinburg on the 30th, with a piece of her silver. The grade gave her a silver vegetable dish. Ice cream, cake and nuts were served. Best wishes to the happy couple. This will make the second teacher in the Raeford Schools to get married since school started. We are glad we are not losing either of them.

The Musical program given by the Hoke High Glee Club and Band last Thursday evening was splendid. The pupils showed excellent training and gave a most worthwhile program.

It is hoped that the new Ashmont lunchroom will be ready when school re-opens after Christmas.

Tuesday the architects and representatives of the State School Planning Division made final inspection of the Raeford Primary Building. With a few minor adjustments to be made everything was found to be according to plans and specifications. The Board of Education will pass on the findings at its regular meeting on January 4.

We haven't heard how the last Upchurch basketball games came out, but we hope they came through again.

We attended the Upchurch Christmas Candlelight Service, "Living Scenes of Christmas" Sunday afternoon. We wish space (Continued on back page)

Judge Suspends Road Sentences Of Scott, Locklear

Night Hunters Pay Fines

Joe Scott and Carson Locklear, who started off with eight months on the roads after being found guilty of operating a whiskey still last week, wound up with fines and suspended sentences in recorder's court before Judge T. O. Moses Tuesday at this week's session. The judge had withdrawn his judgment after last week's session and postponing sentencing until Tuesday of this week. He gave each of the defendants a sentence of one year on the roads, to be suspended on payment of \$100 and costs and five years good behavior. In addition he ordered Locklear to leave this county with his family by Feb. 1, 1954 and said that it would be a violation of his good behavior to be caught in this county within the five year good behavior term.

Two young white men of Raeford were charged with hunting deer at night, and both entered pleas of guilty. They were Robert Franklin Williams and Edward N. Williams. Each got a 90-day road sentence, suspended on payment of \$250 and court costs and two years without violation of hunting and fishing laws. Licenses were suspended for the remainder of the season. In addition a rifle belonging to one of them was confiscated. On motion of O. G. Williams, owner, the car being used by the two was not confiscated, as the law provides it may be.

J. R. Roper, colored, was found guilty of stealing some meat, and Louis King, colored, was found guilty of aiding abetting in the theft. Each got 30 days suspended on payment of \$25 and costs and two years good behavior. Roper also got 30 days suspended on payment of \$10 and costs for public drunkenness.

Thomas Lawrence Livingston, colored, was found not guilty on a charge that he had stolen a billfold.

Fairley Parker, white, was found guilty of driving drunk. Sentence was 60 days to be suspended on payment of \$100 and costs. He appealed and posted \$200 bond. Harry J. Ickes, white, pled guilty on the same charge and paid \$100 and costs. In court last week and omitted by error, Carl Parham, white, was found guilty of driving drunk. Sentence was 60 days to be suspended on payment of \$100 and costs. He appealed and posted \$200 bond.

Also omitted by error from last week's paper was the case in which John David Williams, white soldier from Rocky Mount, was charged with careless and reckless driving. As the case in which he was involved was the wreck in which Roger Adcock was killed, the charge was changed to manslaughter. Probable cause was found and Williams is being held for Superior Court under a \$1,000 bond. He had previously been exonerated by a coroner's jury.

Ed Buie, colored, was found guilty of failing to stop at a stop sign resulting in a wreck. Judgment was suspended until January 5, 1954.

Wilford McNeill and Furman Lee McNeill, Indians, were charged with assaulting Esther Collins, Indian. Wilford had to pay costs and charges were dropped as to Furman Lee.

Richard S. Black, white, paid \$10 and costs for public drunkenness.

Traffic violators included Willie Jackson Burnett and John P. Moss, \$25 and costs each, and Jessie Lee Lankford, costs, all colored for not having driver's licenses; Robert Earl Holland, white, improper lights, costs; Kelly Haskins, white, failing to stop at a stop sign and falling to yield right of way, 30 days suspended on payment of \$20 and costs; Casby Prince, Indian, improper license plates, \$10 and costs; J. (Continued on page 4)