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Addenda -

By The Editor

Talk of a United Fund drive or a Community Chest for this county has been going on for some time, with a great many people expressing themselves as being of the opinion that such a collective appeal for the organized charities would be a good thing. It remained for Israel Mann, who is president of the Raeford Kiwanis Club this year, to do something about it. Israel got in touch with a field representative of Carolinas United who was able to give him some details on how such drives are conducted and how a community might go about getting started. He also dropped the information that the United Fund drive in Laurinburg in 1953 was one of the most successful in the United States, on a comparative population basis.

Since he talked with the fellow, several people around the county have been asked about the idea, as have clubs of various sorts and the Chamber of Commerce. Two or three folks have talked to the campaign directors in Laurinburg, with the main thing learned being that movement must be a widespread cooperative thing, with the support of a large majority of the people. He said they had that in Laurinburg.

A dozen or so persons, representing all the communities in the county and most of the civic clubs is to get together tonight to talk the matter over and come to a decision as to whether it will meet with the approval and support of the people of the county. If they conclude that it will, the initial steps of organization will probably be attempted in order to set up the machinery for conducting the first United Fund Drive in Hoke County this fall.

It has been said here, and I have heard many who work on charitable drives say, that a planned giving effort on the part of the people, with the money received to be divided among the several funds would be more satisfactory to all concerned, and I certainly hope the group meeting tonight will decide the people of this county will go along, for I believe they will.

If I read the figures in K. A. MacDonald's column right, one school in the county certainly has an attendance record for the last month to be proud of. It seems almost unattainable but Frye's Mission, a colored school in Little River Township with an enrollment of 46 pupils had perfect attendance for last month. Every pupil was in school every day. I don't believe you'll see a record like that very often.

Hooch McLean has not been by to tell me he has had to lug his groceries any shorter distance to his car lately. Several other shoppers in Raeford have offered a word of praise to the merchants on Main Street for their off-the-street parking practice, however, saying that parking places are much easier to find since they started it. This is obvious to anyone who will take a look, and undoubtedly means more business to every business on the street, so I expect they will be careful to keep it up.

Representative Harry Greene paid his filing fee to Election Board Chairman W. L. Poole this week and is a candidate to represent Hoke County again in the General Assembly. Others filing during the last week were David Lindsay and D. R. Huff, Jr., for the Board of Education. Lindsay, who is from McLauchlin Township and has been on the board one term, doesn't seem to have made his mind up completely either way on the question of a full time principal at the McLauchlin School, although his

Recorder's Court Back To Normal Without Whammy

Without benefit of the "whammy," which helped them catch 32 speeders in the county for last week's court, the State Highway Patrol only had about a half dozen for that offense this week which went with 13 other cases to make the session of Hoke County recorder's court before Judge T. O. Moses Tuesday a normal one.

In an old case J. R. Roper, colored, was sent to the roads for 30 days each in two cases of larceny in which he had not complied with the court judgment.

For being drunk in public Connie Lee Johnson, got 30 days to be suspended on payment of \$10 and costs and is still in jail. Bonnie James Kelly, colored, got the same treatment for the same offense but paid.

Richard B. Bailey, white, was charged with assault. It appeared that he was a member of the Marine Corps absent without leave and the Corps wanted him, and the prosecuting witness was not eager to prosecute, so the State dropped the case and let the Marines have their man.

Ila Mae Jacobs, Indian, pled guilty of having beer for sale and got 60 days, to be suspended on payment of \$25 and costs and two years good behavior. Willie Smith, colored, was found guilty of having non-tax-paid liquor for sale. Sentence was from three to four months on the roads. He appealed and posted \$200 bond.

Paul Baxley, Jr., white, pled guilty of stealing a radio from Raeford Auto Co. Sentence was 90 days to be suspended on payment of \$50 and costs, return of the radio, and two years good behavior.

Johnnie McDougle, colored, pled guilty of driving drunk without a driver's license. He got six months suspended on payment of \$125 and costs and two years good behavior.

Paul Evans, colored, was found guilty of assaulting Russell McKeithan with a deadly weapon. He was sentenced to 60 days on the roads, to be suspended on payment of \$25 and costs, doctor's bill and two years good behavior. He went to the roads.

J. C. Purcell, James McPhatter and James Roper, all colored, were found guilty of assaulting Lawford McPhatter. Each got 90 days on the roads to be suspended on payment of \$25 and costs and two years good behavior.

Neill Sinclair, colored, had to pay \$10 and costs for driving with no brakes. At the same time he had to pay \$10 and costs for having improper brakes and lights in an old case in which he hadn't bothered to appear for trial.

Leroy Baker and William C. Rhaney, both colored, each had to pay \$10 and costs for speeding, and Felton Robinson, also colored, paid \$20 and costs for going a little faster. Leaving bonds for

Rabid Dog Found In Seventy First

Report that a mad dog was killed in Seventy-First Township of Cumberland County last Saturday was made by the Cumberland County Health Department on Monday. The report said the dog had bitten 15 or 20 other dogs in the Galatia section, bordering Hoke County, and followed by only a day or two the report from Rockfish of a dog in that section biting several dogs on Tuesday of last week before it was destroyed by Dickson Parker.

The Cumberland report said check after death showed that the dog had been rabid, and said that all stray dogs in the Galatia area should be killed at once and all other dogs confined for three months. The Cumberland health officer said that an epidemic of rabid dogs might be expected in some sections if these measures are not taken.

GUARDSMEN PLAN RED CROSS DRIVE



Captain Edwin D. Newton, local National Guard commander, is shown above, center, with Lieutenants Thomas Maeko, left, and Talmadge English, right, at the armory making plans for the Red Cross drive starting this week.

YOUR SCHOOL NEWS

By K. A. MacDonald

The Physical Education Gym class at Hoke High honored all students making A's and B's with a gym exhibit and movie on Wednesday afternoon.

We regret to announce that Mrs. B. D. Wright of the Hoke High faculty has been out of school this week on account of the very serious illness of her mother. Her many friends sympathize with her and hope for her mother's speedy improvement.

Mrs. Gladys Carlson of the faculty of the J. W. McLauchlin School has been out this week suffering with mumps. We sympathize with her.

The Hoke-Raeford PTA met Monday night in the J. W. McLauchlin auditorium. After the business was attended to a panel held a discussion on the duties of ministers, teachers, parents and pupils to the home, church and school. Rev. W. B. Heyward was moderator. Hazel McLean represented high school students, Allen McDonald the elementary school, Rev. Gower Crosswell the ministry, Mrs. Crawford Thomas and Tom Cameron the parents and Miss Ramona Cornwall the teachers. The discussion was considered by all who heard it as one of the best PTA programs that they ever heard. We

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SHOWS FAMOUS CARBINE



"Carbine" Williams, left above, shows Raeford Lions Club President Colon "Red" Scarborough the famous Army carbine rifle he invented and which bears the autographs of Generals Douglas MacArthur and Mark Clark and Movie Star James Stewart at Lions meeting here Thursday night.

Carbine Williams Addresses Lions Thursday Night

Members of the Godwin, Spring Lake and Raeford Lions Clubs held a joint meeting here Thursday night, and with "Carbine" Williams of Godwin and Fay Ridenour of Fayetteville as the main attractions, enjoyed a program that members of the club are hailing as the finest they have ever had.

Carbine, inventor of the famous World War II Army carbine rifle and other weapons and labor-saving devices, created a show effect at the beginning when he entered the Lions den wearing a ten-gallon hat, diamond-studded belt, a fabulous diamond stickpin and a tailored brown striped coat with wide lapels. He later turned up the lapels to show numerous honorary sheriff's badges from counties in the West.

Made famous by a hit movie featuring James Stewart and based on his life, Williams exhibited to the Lions a display of weapons including everything from a wooden gun he made when 10 years old and used by Stewart in the picture to the most recently developed version of the Army carbine. He also showed the famous carbine he made in a North Carolina prison camp from a Model-A axle and a hickory post. He surprised many of the Lions with his displays of other tools he has patented as well as weapons.

Three of Williams' brothers were present, one of them being the president of the Godwin Lions Club and the other two being members. He gave many interesting details of the making of the movie and his constant contact with James Stewart, who played the part of Williams.

After enjoying the display and talk by Williams the Lions were entertained briefly by Photographer-Amateur Magician Fay Ridenour who presented a few new feats of magic. President Colon Scarborough of the Raeford Club presided over the meeting.

Presbyterian Women Meet In Laurinburg

Laurinburg—The 65th annual meeting of the Women of the Church, Fayetteville Presbytery, Synod of N. C., Presbyterian Church in the USA, is being held at the Laurinburg Presbyterian church Thursday and Friday, March 18-19. Mrs. S. H. Fulton, wife of the pastor of the host church, is chairman of the entertainment committee.

The annual meeting of the Presbyterian executive board will be held at 2 o'clock Thursday afternoon, and the opening session will be called to order at 8 o'clock Thursday evening by Mrs. H. Lacy Godwin, president of the organization. Mrs. Godwin will preside at all sessions.

The Friday morning session will convene at 10 o'clock and the afternoon and concluding session will open at 1:50. Reports of special committees, reports of officers, Bible study periods, and discussion periods will feature all sessions.

Guests and visiting church leaders who will have part in the two-day program are: Mrs. Rufus D. Wilson of Burlington, president of the Women of the Church, Synod of N. C.; Mrs. W. D. Pearce of Raleigh; Rev. H. A. McBeth of Eagle Springs, Presbytery's chairman on woman's work; Dr. Claude H. Pritchard of Atlanta, member of the Board of Church Extension; Mrs. J. Emerson Fountain of Tarboro, Synod's chairman of Christian education; Dr. Walker B. Healy, minister of the First Presbyterian church, Fayetteville, who will conduct the installation service for new officers at the concluding session on Friday afternoon; and Rev. C. M. Gibbs of Fayetteville, treasurer of Fayetteville Presbytery.

John F. McDowell Dies Early Monday; Funeral Wednesday

John Fuller McDowell, 64, died in Moore County Hospital early Monday morning. He had suffered from cancer and had been seriously ill for several months. He had been a farmer of this county for about 21 years and lived on Raeford, Route 2.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Ruth Barahill McDowell; two daughters, Mrs. Elice Mae Barefoot and Mrs. Geneva Faircloth of Raeford; five sons, Maxie McDowell of Baltimore, Md., Melvin McDowell of Apex, Walter McDowell of Columbia, S. C., Curtis McDowell of Raeford and Pearl McDowell of Baltimore; four brothers, C. P. McDowell of Dillon, S. C., Rueben of North Adams, Mass., Kemper of Thomasville, Albert of Lexington; two stepbrothers, three stepsisters and several grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted at Tabernacle Baptist Church at Rockfish on Wednesday afternoon at 2:00 o'clock by the Rev. Scott Turner, pastor, assisted by the Rev. Luther Wesley of Raeford, and the Rev. E. B. Booker. Burial was in the Raeford cemetery.

REA Cooperative Lumberton Nov. 3

At a recent meeting of the board of directors of the Lumberton River Electric Membership Corporation, the directors accepted an invitation issued by the Lumberton Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture Incorporated and the mayor of Lumberton, R. A. Hedgepeth, to use the facilities of the new tobacco warehouse and the town of Lumberton for the purpose of holding the annual meeting. According to C. L. Ballance, president of the cooperative, early plans are being made, as the next annual meeting, on November 3, 1954, is expected to be one of the largest ever held. The planning committee composed of Ballance, D. J. Dalton, manager, and Wade H. Powell, Director is to work out the details well in advance of the date of the meeting. This will be the first meeting of the members of the cooperative held in the city of Lumberton. In prior years the cooperative has rotated its annual meetings over areas in which it operates, in order that it might be easily accessible to as many members as possible.

The Lumbee cooperative is now operating some 1,792 miles of line, serving approximately 7,500 members in Hoke, Robeson, Scotland and Cumberland counties. Within the last twelve months, additional sources of power have been made available to the cooperative by the Carolina Power and Light Company. Many miles of 3 phase lines have been extended through various sections of the area served, making 3 phase service available to many members who are now requesting this service in order to run their larger motors for irrigation, feed grinding and many other rural farm purposes.

A new metering point and substation was energized last year just south of Lumberton and Fairmont respectively. Within the next 30 days, the cooperative plans to energize another substation about half way between Laurinburg and Maxton. Along with this new source of power, there will be some 12 to 15 miles additional 3 phase line added in this section of Scotland and Robeson counties.

The manager, D. J. Dalton, states that the cooperative has continued to increase its transformer capacity in order to meet the growing demands made by its many members, and that at present, the cooperative is in better condition to meet this demand than it has been for a number of years.

Horace Walters, Rueben and Clarence Webb attended the wrestling match held in Charlotte Monday night.

Guardsmen Get Organized For Red Cross Drive

To Canvass Raeford Mon.

Officers and non-commissioned officers of Battery A, local National Guard unit which is conducting the annual membership drive of the American Red Cross in Hoke County this month, met with members of the county Red Cross chapter Friday afternoon and worked out detailed plans for the conduct of the appeal in every part of the county. In addition to Clyde Upchurch, Jr., chapter chairman, Miss Ingeborg Rudd of Southern Pines, Red Cross Area Field Representative, was present to assist in the planning.

The men of the National Guard battery were enthusiastic about the prospects for a successful drive in the county and expressed their intention to carry the appeal to every section of the county. They fully expect the \$2400 goal of the drive reached in the "Roll Call" between March 22 and March 31. The appeal will begin with a canvass of the homes in Raeford at 8:00 o'clock on Monday night, March 22, by the men of the battery, who will be in their Class A uniforms for the occasion.

The canvass of business houses in Raeford and the county is planned for Friday, March 26, and a committee of guardsmen has been named to conduct it, with business places being divided so that every one in the county will be called upon on the same day. Captain Edwin D. Newton, local guard commander, said.

Individuals in Raeford and Hoke County are being contacted by letter, and asked to mail their Red Cross contributions directly to Battery A in Raeford. The unit hopes for a membership of at least \$1.00 from persons contacted. Persons not responding to this mail appeal will be contacted later in person by a committee set up for this purpose. Persons not contacted either in person or by mail are asked to send their contribution to Battery A, Raeford, N. C.

Posters and advertising displays on the drive are being set up this week in preparation for its beginning.

In asking residents of the county to respond to the appeal Captain Newton pointed out the fact in years past as much as \$5,000 had been raised for the Red Cross, and said that this year only \$2400 was being asked for the disaster relief, help for service men and the distressed all over the world. He said he hoped that by a complete coverage of the county all the people would be able to have a share in this good work by becoming 1954 members of the American Red Cross, Hoke County chapter.

Merchants Staging Raeford Trade Days

Merchants of Raeford are staging another in their series of monthly trade promotions, designed to increase and promote trade in the whole business community this week end. Friday, Saturday and Monday they are advertising "Trade-In-Raeford Days," stressing the fact to people of the surrounding areas that goods and materials of almost every description can be bought at reasonable prices in Raeford.

The promotion is an activity of the Retail Trade Division of the Raeford Chamber of Commerce.

MRS. GIBSON ILL

Mrs. Jesse Gibson suffered a heart attack last Saturday and has been in serious condition in a Fayetteville hospital since that time. Reports today were that she had showed some improvement.