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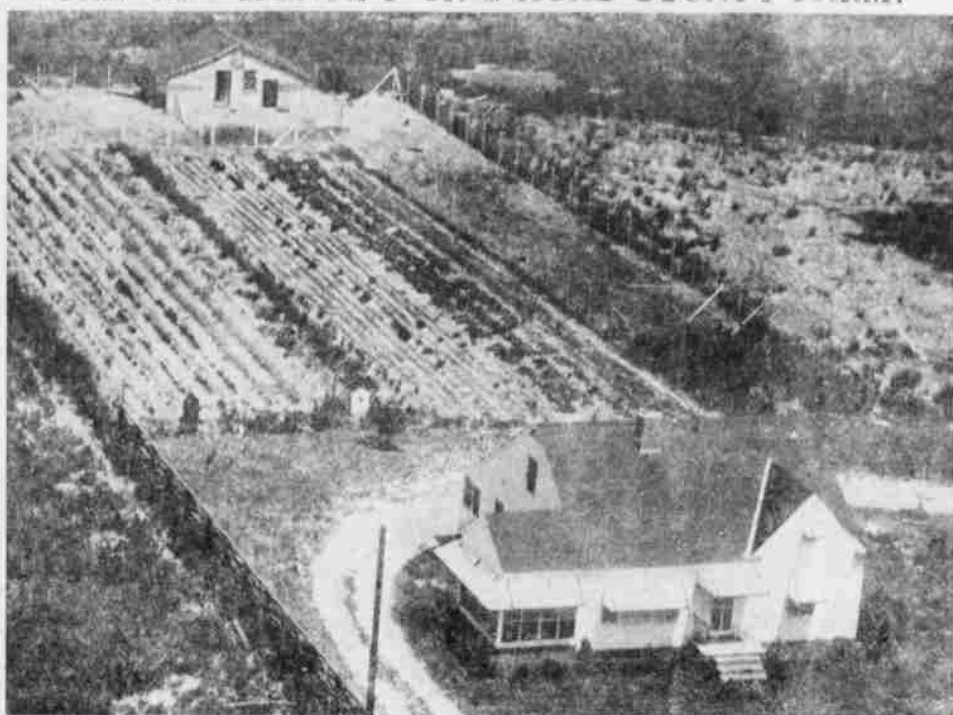
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## CAN YOU IDENTIFY THIS HOKE COUNTY FARM?



Above is another "mystery farm" of the series of unidentified farm pictures being published in The News-Journal. Nobody knows whose farm it is—not even the photographers—and the paper is relying upon the readers for identification. Names of those correctly guessing the farm will be published in next week's paper and a prize of a six-months subscription to the paper will be given to the first person with a Raeford city address making identification and another six-months subscription to the first person with an address outside Raeford, that is, Raeford RFD or other. The operator of the farm will receive a beautiful mounted enlargement of the original photo, if he will call at The News-Journal office. Farm operators who recognize their farms in the newspaper series should come to the office at first opportunity so they can make positive identification and get their free pictures.

### Addenda

By The Editor

The main topic of conversation here and all through the east to northern Canada this week is the first hurricane ever to come in this direction before, from all I can learn, much less get within 35 miles of Raeford. Named Hazel by the weather people, she really turned out to be a witch, and they are getting some kicks about giving these destructive things the names of girls. You can't please everyone, though, and I believe this one would be remembered whatever she was named. She has probably been called worse names than Hazel in the past week, too. . . . I heard one farmer of the county remark that as far as he was concerned it wasn't too bad. He said he could put a new roof on his barn about as cheaply as he could have a well dug on his place, and the 10 inches of rain he got will save that. Then there are others who will be glad to get to their fall planting, which couldn't be started due to the fact that up to last Thursday night it seemed as if it would never rain again here. . . . While there were 192 insurance claims and will be more, most of them are small, and I don't believe there's damage to a building that will equal the loss each of several people suffered when trees hit their cars. We are undoubtedly lucky and have a lot to be thankful for, and we shouldn't forget it.

Regarding how lucky we are here, my younger brother is in the Navy and stationed in Philadelphia, where the storm hit, too. The only home he has is on Topsail Island in Pender County, and it's only two or three years old. So when he heard of the storm he got right down here to see about his house, and I went to Topsail with him Tuesday. What I saw was beyond my imagination. My brother's house was damaged considerably but not irreparably, but the community of New Topsail about three miles farther south was all but erased. They say other places were hurt worse, but they couldn't be but one or two percent worse, because New Topsail is about 98 percent gone, it seems to me. You can't even tell where many homes were, and others are smashed and turned over and moved. The whole area is full of all sorts of personal effects, and several houses were blown into the sound. Some are even across it, high and dry since the water has gone down.

Mr. and Mrs. June Johnson don't feel very kindly toward the person who killed their pet doe they have had for several years one night lately. They had let her out to get to her fawn, thinking it would be safe since it's against "the law to hunt at night and against the law to shoot a doe, and since she had a collar on. About like the people who continue to steal shrubs from cemetery lots, I suppose, and we'll always have them with us, it looks like.

County Elections Board Chairman W. L. Poole thinks it's a nuisance and not right that we have to vote on resident superior court judges for all districts. He had the idea, as did I, that we only had to vote for the resident judge of the ninth judicial district and for special judges. We may be wrong, though, and people of this county are certainly going to get ballots with candidates for all districts on them.

People selling TV sets around here are expecting business to pick up now that Florence is on the air with a top power station less than 60 miles away. It does come in about as good as it could be, according to most viewers, and they say Durham is about as good.

### Children's Pictures To Be Taken Free And Run In Paper

Monday, October 25 is the big day for the picture taking of your youngsters! The News-Journal is having pictures taken of all children who are brought by their parents or other guardian to the Raeford Hotel between 1 p. m. and 8 p. m. free of charge. The Allen Studios, nationally known for excellent children's portraits, will take the pictures. The News-Journal wants a picture of your child to print in its forthcoming feature, "Citizens of Tomorrow", a series of photographic studies of local children. The more we get the better the feature will be, so the cooperation of the mothers and fathers is urged.

**Contest An Added Feature**  
To add to the interest and fun in this exciting event, Studios will award \$250.00 in cash prizes (Continued on Page 4)

### John W. Walters Dies Here Tuesday

John Walter Walters, 51, an employee of Robbins Mills since they opened here, died at his home at about 9:30 Tuesday morning. He was the son of the late Joseph and Susan Barker Walters of Scotland County, and has been ill since January.

Funeral service is being held at the Church of God here this afternoon at three o'clock, and burial is to be in Hillside cemetery in Laurinburg. The Rev. Frank Oliver is to conduct the service.

### LEGION AUXILIARY TO HAVE DINNER MEETING

The American Legion Auxiliary of Ellis Williamson Post No. 20 will have a supper meeting next Tuesday, October 20, at 6:30 o'clock in the fellowship room of the Raeford Presbyterian Church. It has been announced. The supper will be in honor of the Gold Star mothers of the community.

### No Charges Made In Negro's Death

The case of the death of George Bethune, Cumberland County negro, in this county on the night of Sunday, October 3, was closed last week with the conclusion by the Cumberland County coroner that he had died from alcoholism. Bartholomew Ray, colored, who had been held in the Hoke County jail pending investigation of the case, was released.

Story as Sheriff D. H. Hodgkin had it was that Bethune had been with others at the home of Palmer Chavis in this county, and that he had been sick outside for several hours while Ray and others were inside. On coming out Ray and Tom Campbell are said to have put Bethune in a car and taken him home, thinking he was just drunk. It was after arrival there that Bethune's wife discovered he was dead.

Autopsy disclosed a broken hip and a bruise over his eye, which were not explained in the reaching the conclusion that he died from drinking too much.

### Luther C. Currie Funeral Is Held At Bethel Wed.

Luther C. Currie, 69, died Monday night at his home on Red Springs, Route 1. He was a son of the late Flora Ann and John A. Currie of Robeson County. He was a Mason and a member of the Raeford lodge.

He is survived by his wife, the former Irene Bradshaw, of the home; two sons, Charles A. and Edgar Gray Currie, both of Portsmouth, Va.; two daughters, Mrs. J. L. Parker of Laurinburg and Betty Jane Currie of the home. Funeral service was held at Bethel Presbyterian Church on Wednesday afternoon at three o'clock with the pastor, the Rev. Joseph Amory, conducting. Burial was in the churchyard cemetery, and Masons were in charge of the graveside service.

Bob Murray of the School of Medicine of UNC spent the week end with his parents, Dr. and Mrs. R. L. Murray.

Miss Jenelle Sneed of Greensboro College spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Younger Sneed.

### McLeod Farm In Last Week's Photo Was Never Sold

The farm of Mrs. J. D. McLeod and her children four miles south of Raeford, pictured in last week's mystery farm picture, can be traced in ownership farther back than any pictured in the series so far. It has been in the same family or its connection since granted by the king of England before the Revolutionary War.

First to make identification of the picture was Archie McDiarmid. Others in Raeford naming it correctly included Mrs. Helen Barrington, Mrs. A. K. Stevens, N. B. Sinclair, Mrs. Furman Clark, and the crowd at McLaughlin Company. Rural reader naming it first was Kerr Stevens of Route one, followed by Hubert McLean, Walker Stanton and Bill Hodgkin.

The 272-acre farm is located on Raeford route two and Red Springs route one, in an overlapping area of postal service. It was granted by the king to a McMillan, and McMillans settled and lived there for more than 100 years. John McLeod, great-grandfather of Mrs. J. D. McLeod's children, came from England at the age of two with his family, and the family settled in the vicinity of Addor, in Moore County. His son, William McLeod, married one of the McMillan girls from down here, and they lived on what is now the McLeod farm. John D. McLeod, who died in 1941 at the age of 81, was born on the place and lived there all his life. Mrs. McLeod is now 83 and still lives there. She and Mr. McLeod were married in 1900, she being Mary Catherine McPhaul from the Gold Hill section of this county, not far away.

Mrs. McLeod's children are W. D. McLeod of Raeford, Mrs. Agnes MacAulay of Columbia, S. C., and Miss Lucille McLeod, who lives with her mother. The home shown in the picture was built in 1914, and is the third to be built on the farm. The first was nearby, and the second was where the present one is.

The farm is now operated by tractor mostly, and cotton, tobacco, corn, grain, cattle and hogs are raised. The road past the house, paved during the Scott administration, is the old Lumberton-Carthage road, coming from Shannon and going on out by Bethel Church. The family are members of Antioch Presbyterian Church.

Lawrence McNeill, Jr. of McCallie School, Chattanooga, Tenn. spent the week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Lawrence McNeill. He sustained a knee injury in a football game at McCallie on October 2, and is recuperating nicely.

Miss Betty Upchurch of Wesleyan College, Macon, Georgia spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tommie Upchurch.

### Supper Monday For United Fund Campaign Crew

Name Community Leaders

The Hoke County United Fund campaign committee said this week that all was in readiness for the first drive of the fund in this county next week. J. L. McNeill, chairman, this week named the community chairmen for the county, which completes the set-up, as division organizations for Raeford were announced last week. McNeill said he expected a large attendance of workers and leaders from all over the county at the supper at the high school cafeteria next Monday night at 7:30 o'clock. Following the supper complete materials and instructions will be given to the workers and the campaign will get started on Tuesday. Each solicitor will be furnished a kit for the drive.

Community chairmen for the drive not named last week include Peter McLean at Sanatorium, Neil F. Sinclair at Ashley Heights, Peter Sawyer at Montrose, E. C. Smith, Jr., in Blue Springs, W. L. Roper in Allendale, G. C. Lytle at Antioch, Daniel McInnis at Dundarrach, Mrs. Herman Koonce at Rockfish, Ralph Plummer at Wayside and John Alex Smith in Little River.

McNeill said the quota for the county had been set by the board of directors at \$5460 and that every effort would be made to raise this next week. He said the goal was to get each individual to contribute one day's pay for the year, and that it could be paid in cash, quarterly or monthly. There is no national quota, no outside interference or instruction, the chairman said, but that the campaign is strictly a Hoke County affair, by and for the people of Hoke County, led by local citizens and sparked by pride in the county and its communities.

In the effort Hoke County will be joining some 1800 other towns and counties which are expected to raise some 300 million dollars in the United way this fall. Most of these drives started last week, and may be read of, seen and heard about on radio and television and in the newspapers about every day.

The chairman said he expressed the feeling of the entire board of directors when he said he thought the people of this county should support their first United Fund Drive.

### Name J. B. Thomas Kiwanis Area Head

State Senator J. Benton Thomas of Raeford was unanimously chosen fourth division lieutenant governor of Kiwanis International at the Carolinas District convention held in Durham the first of last week. Senator Thomas is a charter member of the Raeford club, having served continuously since its organization in 1924. He replaces R. Ed Batton of Smithfield as lieutenant governor. In the past 30 years R. B. Lewis and T. B. Upchurch, Jr., of the Raeford club have served as lieutenant governors.

Thomas was president of the local club in 1946. A member of the Raeford Methodist Church, he has been a member of the board of stewards and a trustee. He was manager of Hoke Oil and Fertilizer Co. for about 30 years, and is vice president now. He was also at one time president of the N. C. Seed Crushers association.

He is a graduate of the University of North Carolina and presently farms and operates the Raeford Gin with his brother, W. M. Thomas under the name of Thomas Brothers.

Miss Betty Upchurch of Wesleyan College, Macon, Georgia spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tommie Upchurch.

### HOKE COUNTY & RAEFORD ARE LUCKY IN CLOSEST HURRICANE

No Deaths Or Injuries

### Indians Appeal Booze Convictions In Court Tuesday

Buddy Bryant and John Carlos Emanuel, Indians, were brought before Judge T. O. Moses in Hoke County recorder's court Tuesday on charges of operating a liquor still and having non-tax-paid liquor. Emanuel was found not guilty on both charges, while Bryant was found guilty of both. For having the still he got from 15 to 18 months on the roads, which he appealed and posted a \$500 bond. For having the liquor he got another four to six months to start at the end of the other sentence. He appealed this also and posted \$250 bond.

West Bullard, also an Indian, was found guilty of having a liquor still. Sentence was 60 days to be suspended on payment of \$300 and court costs and two years good behavior. He appealed and posted \$500 bond.

Pleading guilty of possessing non-tax-paid liquor, Fred Clark, colored, got 90 days, suspended on payment of \$25 and costs and stay out of Hoke County for two years.

For driving drunk Willie Haynesworth, colored, got 30 days suspended on payment of \$100 and costs, and Dan V. Allen, white, left a \$150 bond.

Willie McNeill, colored, was found guilty of assault and non-support. Sentence was eight to 12 months on the roads, to be suspended on payment of \$10, court costs and \$10 weekly for his family.

Allen Baldwin, colored, pled guilty of assaulting his wife. Sentence was eight to 12 months, suspended on payment of \$10, court costs and two years good behavior, and on condition that he continue to support his family.

Buddie McDougald, aged colored man, was charged with being drunk in public. State dropped the case when his folks showed up to take him home.

James D. McCormick, colored, got four to six months suspended on payment of \$50 and costs for careless and reckless driving.

For failing to stop at stop sign William C. McMillan, colored, and Richard C. Self, Jr., white, each had to pay \$10 and costs.

Thomas L. Lloyd, white, was charged with speeding 75 miles an hour. He pled not guilty but was found guilty of exceeding 70 and fined \$25 and costs. He appealed and posted \$100 bond. For speeding 80, Alonzo Plumer, colored, got three to four months suspended on payment of \$65 and costs. Clarence M. Constantine, Jr., paid \$15 and costs for speeding, and Marvin Rufus Gainey of Clinton, paid \$10 and costs. Both are white. Gene Cook, white, left a \$45 bond and Leo A. Ray, also white, left a \$15 bond, both for speeding.

### Robeson Native Dies At Rockfish

Ed Kinlaw, 79, a native of Robeson County, died at noon Tuesday at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Hugh Overton, near Rockfish on Raeford, Route 2. Funeral service was conducted at three o'clock Wednesday at Tabernacle Baptist Church at Rockfish and burial was in the Kinlaw cemetery in Robeson County.

Surviving are four daughters, Mrs. Overton, Mrs. Fred Britt and Mrs. Otis Jackson of Robeson County, and Mrs. G. L. Brown of Charlotte.

Lacy John of Lumber Bridge underwent an appendectomy last Friday at Scotland Memorial Hospital in Laurinburg.

Damage from Hurricane "Hazel" in Raeford and Hoke County last Friday was considerable, but an accurate estimate cannot be arrived at for some time. Raeford insurance agents were processing a total of 102 claims as of this morning, with more expected.

The storm got here with its full fury at 11:00 o'clock or shortly before, and power service went out at 11:10. This followed rain of more than seven inches by the rain gauge at Hoke Oil and Fertilizer Company in the preceding 18 hours, and as much as ten inches was reported in some sections of the county. The blow here lasted about two hours, and the eye, or center of the storm, is said to have passed through the vicinity of Roseboro, in Cumberland County some 30 to 35 miles east of Raeford.

A. V. Sanders, who with his lumber crews has been cleaning up trees in and around Raeford since the storm, estimated this morning that there were at least 200 blown down in and around town, and would not estimate the number in the county. Carolina Power and Light Company crews were from several hours in some sections of Raeford to a couple of days in others getting power restored, and REA crews were several days getting power to many of the 7,500 members. This work, in fact is not expected to be completed until sometime today. Telephone service has about returned to normal, with it and telegraph service being interrupted until some time Tuesday.

There were numerous instances of damage from trees falling and wind damage in and around Raeford, with the 102 claims reported by The Johnson Co., W. L. Poole, Jake Austin and J. W. Canaday ranging everywhere from a few cents to a thousand dollars or more.

Jake Austin sustained a several hundred dollar loss when a tree hit on his house, which he says was fully insured. Worst appearing damage in Raeford was the garage of N. McL. McDiarmid on Magnolia Street, which took a large oak tree fairly across it. The garage and the two cars inside were practically destroyed. One of them was the property of Mrs. G. W. Hanna, and neither were insured against such damage.

Garage of Mrs. Ryan McBryde was hit, as was the Tommie Upchurch home, the McBryde residence on East Central avenue, and many others in varying degree. Perhaps the biggest yardfull of blown down trees was at the home of Fred Culbreth on Harris avenue, but none of them did serious damage to the house. The car belonging to Fred's company, parked in his yard, was unhurt, but Fred's own car took a tree on it.

Eastest to see about town and everywhere else were the television antennas which were blown down or broken off. At Dundarrach the home of Mrs. Clayton Maxwell was damaged severely when the roof was blown off, and at Arabia the home of D. L. McGougan suffered considerable damage from falling trees.

Several residents of Raeford were able to prop trees during the storm which, if they had fallen, would have damaged buildings.

Furman Clark of the Soil Conservation service, reports that there was considerable erosion from the rain, but that it was not as severe as that usually from spring rains. The pond area of the county is mostly west of Raeford where the storm was not nearly so severe, and Clark says that to his knowledge no farm dams were lost. County Farm (Continued on back page)