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## Addenda

By The Editor

A little trade magazine we get reports that according to a recent survey, the six saddest phrases in the English language are: Buy me one, does not paid, insufficient funds, External use only, Out of gas.

The six sweetest phrases, says the same source, are: Sleep 'til noon, Keep the change, Here's that (five, All is forgiven, Dinner is served, I love you.

The sweetest line to me, if you don't know, is the last one in this column each week. That's the last editorial link on each issue of the paper and I'm glad to see it not because I don't like my work, but because I'm glad to get it done. Sometimes I put things off a little, I'll admit, and these times it seems as if I won't ever get through. There's nothing to get things done like doing them, but simple as this truth is, it is easy to forget.

John McGoogan wasn't in when I went to find out what the county commissioners did at their regular monthly meeting Monday, but I learned that nothing unusual came up. They did appoint J. M. Andrews, former solicitor of the recorder's court, to be vice-recorder of that court, to serve in the absence of Judge T. O. Moses.

The National Guard unit here last week became Company A of the 130th Tank Battalion, being changed from anti-aircraft to armor. They got their annual Federal inspection by a colonel of the inspector general's department of Third Army in Atlanta on Wednesday night of this week, too. He is not allowed to make any comment on a unit's rating, but I was there and thought it looked mighty good. Its allowed strength is 105 men as a tank company, and they have 120 members now, and a small waiting list. The unit will not have to get rid of any men, but cannot take any more until the strength gets down below 105 by normal turnover. Of these 120 men 117 were present or accounted for at the inspection.

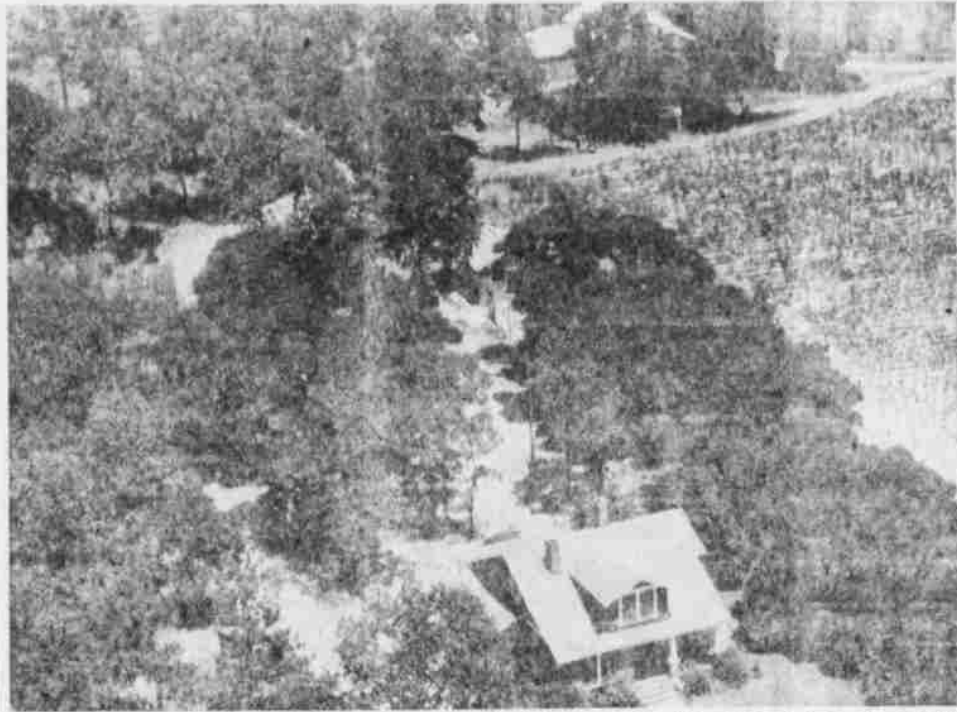
Congressman C. B. Deane, on the telephone Wednesday, had a word of praise and appreciation to the Democrats of the county for their turnout at the polls Tuesday and for giving him the vote they did. Just about all who voted, voted for Deane, and I know he does appreciate it.

Distribution of State auto license tags over the State is handled by the Carolina Motor Club, we expect those handled from Raleigh by the State Department of Motor Vehicles, I learned recently. The Raeford Chamber of Commerce recently, in cooperation with the town board, applied to Commissioner Scheidt to have an outlet for these tags located here. He referred the matter to the motor club in Charlotte, where it is pending at the present time. An office here would be a convenience to many car owners, perhaps as many as most of the 74 outlets in the State, although not so many as in the larger towns. Convenience to the car owner is the sole question considered in locating an outlet, I was told, and not the volume the outlet would handle.

A/3C James L. Odum, Jr. has completed his basic training at Lackland AFB, San Antonio, Texas and is now stationed at Brooks AFB, San Antonio, Texas.

Dr. R. L. Murray, accompanied by his brother, the Rev. M. J. Murray of Jonesboro Heights, attended the homecoming celebration and ball game at Davidson College Saturday.

## CAN YOU IDENTIFY THIS HOKE COUNTY FARM?



Above is another in the series of "mystery farm" pictures being published in The News-Journal. Nobody knows whose farm it is—not even the photographers—and the paper is relying on the readers for identification. Two six-month subscriptions are offered for first identification and the rules are as follows:

1. You may win but once in the year the series runs.
2. One winner will be the first person to Come to or Call The News-Journal Office, 2121. Staff of the paper cannot accept identification anywhere else.
3. The other winner will be the present subscriber who now receives the paper on Raeford route one, two or three, or an address outside Raeford, who first identifies the picture at The News-Journal office in person or by telephone.

## John Wilkes Home Pictured Last Week Named By Many

The home of John Alex Wilkes, five miles south of Raeford on highway 15-A, was identified by many readers as the mystery farm picture published in last week's paper. First to identify the picture was Mrs. Henry Monroe, and first out of Raeford subscriber to name it correctly was Mrs. J. M. Norton, who lives nearby. Others making correct identification included Miss Margaret Gainey, Mrs. Reid Childers, Mrs. Halley Blythe, Miss Elizabeth Sumner, Rod Locklear, Mrs. Merle Wright, Elmer True-love, Mrs. Mary McBryde and Jerry Williams.

The farm, about 50 acres, is owned and occupied by John Alex Wilkes, who has worked with the State Highway Commission for many years. Since 1934 when her husband died, his sister, Mrs. Lucy Wilkes Smith, has lived with him, along with her children until they grew up and left home.

Just when the farm was acquired by the family is not known, but Mrs. Smith and John are certain that it was five generations ago, about two hundred years. They know that their great-grandfather Currie lived there. Their mother was Margaret Alexander Currie and their father, John Wilkes came to this section from Virginia.

The family have been members of Bethel Presbyterian Church, probably since its formation, Mrs. Smith thinks.

John farms the place with a tractor, raising cotton, corn, tobacco and hogs.

## Bucks Drop Close One To Tabor City

The Hoke High school football team dropped its seventh straight game of the 1954 season to Tabor City in a hard fought game here Friday night, 6-0, but managed to look like the best team on the field to the largest crowd of fans present in spite of the loss.

Tabor City's fine back, Jerry Cartrette, pitched to Tommy Collier for the lone touchdown. Collier, a guard, was shifted to end for the play that won the game.

Cosch Archie Brigman takes his Bucks to Fairmont tomorrow night for a game and next week they will play Laurinburg here.

## Whammy Gets 28 Speeding Cases To Recorder's Court

Twenty-eight speeding cases went through the books at the Tuesday session of Hoke County recorder's court before Judge T. O. Moses, and several were postponed for one reason or another. The speeders are being caught in the county by the speedwatch, or "whammy", being operated by the State Highway patrol, and most offenders seem to be tourists.

Billy R. Adams, white, pled guilty of driving drunk and got 60 days suspended on payment of \$100 and costs.

James Monroe, colored, was charged with assaulting his wife, but by the time of trial she had relented and wanted to "take up the papers." Judgement was continued on payment of costs.

Addie Mae Amos, colored, was found guilty of assault and given 30 days in jail, to be suspended on payment of \$10 and costs and two years good behavior.

Willie Odell Ross, colored, pled guilty of disposing of mortgaged property. He got from three to four months, suspended on payment of \$43.89 to the finance company and court costs.

Nathaniel Smith, colored, pled guilty of careless and reckless driving and judgment was continued on payment of costs and on satisfactory adjustment of damages.

Norman Wajtowicz, white, left a \$25 bond for careless and reckless driving.

L. C. Mack, colored, paid \$10 and costs for driving with improper brakes.

Donnie L. Haitheox, white, paid (Continued on back page)

## LEGION TO MEET

The American Legion post will have its regular monthly meeting and supper in the high school cafeteria at 6:30 next Monday night. Commander Truman Austin reminded all members this week.

## EASTERN STAR TO MEET

The Raeford chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star will have a buffet supper meeting on Monday, November 8, at 6:30 p. m. Members are urged to come and bring supper dishes. The district deputy Grand Matron and Patron are to make their official visit at this time.

## Hoke Vote Bigger In Election Than Usual Off Year

Unofficial results in Tuesday's general election indicated that Hoke County voters went along with the rest of the State on most issues and voted as was predicted, but that a few more of them turned up at the polls than did in 1950, although this increase could be due in part to an increase in population and registration. This year there were approximately 900 votes cast, according to unofficial tabulations, as compared to about 814 in 1950, the last "off" year.

C. B. Deane, Eighth District Congressman, from Rockingham, received 903 votes in Hoke County this time, to 81 for his opponent, H. W. Gavin. In 1950 Deane got 809 votes to 14 for his opponent. The Congressman said Wednesday he expected his majority to exceed that of 1950 when all returns from the shoeing district are received and tabulated.

By precincts the unofficial vote for Congressman in the county was as follows with Deane's being the first figure given and Gavin's the second: Allendale 28, 0; Antioch 64, 0; Blue Springs 63, 2; Puppy Creek 57, 3; Little River 63, 1; Que-whiffle 105, 8; Mildouson 90, 1; Rockfish 29, 1; Raeford No. 1, 165, 8; Raeford No. 2, 219, 7.

About half the voters bothered to vote on the first constitutional amendments, and went along with the rest of the State on four of them. On the third amendment, to allow no county more than one State Senator, instead of redistricting the State according to population as the constitution now provides, this county favored the amendment while it was defeated in the whole State.

## Town Board Meets, Hires Policeman

The regular monthly meeting of the town board was held on Monday night, November 1, with Mayor Alfred Cole presiding and all members present.

The board voted to employ Jesse Lee to fill a vacancy in the police force on a 30-day trial basis, with the understanding that if his services as night policeman proved satisfactory he would be given the job permanently.

After a discussion of fire insurance rates it was decided that the town would confer with the Southeastern Underwriters Association and work out details for improving the Raeford Fire Department to the extent that insurance rates might be lowered.

The board re-emphasized that it had previously gone on record as being in favor of the sale of State auto license tags in Raeford, and asked Tom Cameron on behalf of the town to render any assistance possible to the Chamber of Commerce in bringing this about.

The board went on record in regard to the finer Carolina program as follows: That the Town has accomplished the installation of curb and gutter on certain streets along with paving; installation of improved lighting on Main Street; and the improvement of the swimming hole. That the sponsors of the following projects have not carried out to completion: the clean-up of the Raeford cemetery, the clean-up of backlots, and the improvement of the park.

## PTA FESTIVAL

President J. W. Canaday of the Hoke-Raeford Parent-Teacher association this week reminded all friends and patrons of the local schools of the PTA Fall Festival to be held at the high school next Thursday night to raise funds for PTA activities. He promised a lot of fun and a good supper for all who attend.

## LARGE CROWD IN RAEFORD FOR FALL FESTIVAL DAY WEDNESDAY

### Dr. R. L. Murray Receives High Boy Scout Honor

Dr. R. L. Murray of Raeford was one of two recipients of the Award of the Silver Beaver of the Boy Scouts of America, the highest honor bestowed upon an adult by the organization, at the annual meeting of the Cape Fear Area Council, Boy Scouts of America, in Clarkton Thursday night. Leo Corbett of Burgaw was the other recipient of the honor, and Clyde A. Stutts, of Laurel Hill, was elected council president to serve the year beginning November 1. In receiving the honor Dr. Murray became the second local man ever to win it, Lewis Upchurch having been the first.

The eight counties in the council were all represented at the meeting, with 135 persons being present. Dr. and Mrs. Murray and Mr. and Mrs. Israel Mann attended from Raeford.

The award is made for "distinguished service to boyhood, and is given annually to two adult scouters of the council. Dr. Murray has been interested and active in Scouting since the local troop was organized and sponsored by the Kiwanis Club some 25 years ago. He has served for the past six years as chairman of the council's health and safety committee. He has served as chairman of the troop committee and as institutional representative of the Raeford Kiwanis Club. He has been active in civic affairs of the community, serving as commander of the American Legion post, as president of the Kiwanis Club, as chairman of the Hoke County Red Cross chapter. He has also served as superintendent of his Sunday School and is a ruling elder of the Raeford Presbyterian Church.

Other highlights of the meeting were the report of the retiring president of the council, Lester V. Lowe of Chadbourn, and an address by the Rev. Robert F. Sloop, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Lumberton. Elected to the executive board of the council for the coming year were Israel Mann and Lewis Upchurch of Raeford.

The Western District of the council, including Scotland and Hoke counties, received an award at the meeting for showing the greatest percentage growth in boy membership during the past 12 months, an increase of 39%. The trophy for growth in explorer membership also went to the Western District for an increase of 106%.

## Local Woodmen To Entertain District

W. V. Dark, vice president of the Scottish Log Rolling Association, announced this week that Raeford Camp No. 118, Woodmen of the World, will be host for the fall session to be held Wednesday, November 10th. Delegates representing some 22 W.O.W. Chapters from seven counties will convene for an afternoon business session at 4 p. m. to outline plans for the Annual W.O.W. Christmas Orphanage Fund drive and also to elect officers for 1955.

Stanton P. Williams, Head Consul for the North Carolina Jurisdiction will address the banquet session at 7 p. m. in the school cafeteria. All members are urged to contact the local secretary for banquet reservations before November 6th.

Ricky Gobeille, who attends school at Belmont, spent the week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Gobeille.

### Colorful Parade Enjoyed; Jimmy Carter Wins Car; FFA Float Judged Best

A crowd variously estimated at from three to five thousand persons crowded Raeford's Main street Wednesday afternoon for the second annual Fall Festival staged by the Merchants Division of the Raeford Chamber of Commerce. The crowd is considered larger than that of last year, with perhaps more adults and a few less children.

Jimmy Carter, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Carter, was the winner of the feature prize which climaxed the festival, the new 1954 Chevrolet. The winning ticket which Jimmy held was number 353036. Tickets for the festival had been given by the merchants participating since August 3 and these were drawn from for 27 other prizes before getting to the grand prize. These other prizes were given individually by firms participating in the festival.

The parade, which formed at and beyond the J. W. McLaughlin School on North Main Street, was led by the national and state colors, carried by members of Company A, 130th Tank Battalion, local National Guard unit. They were followed immediately by the Hoke High school band, the official car carrying the mayor and town board, the Hoke High queens, the Cub Scouts, the Girl Scouts and Brownies, and then the float from the Hoke County Indian School, judged fourth best in the parade. Next came the Laurel Hill School, and then came the Upchurch school by grades followed by the outstanding Upchurch band. Other colored schools in the parade were Buffalo, New Hope. Also appearing were a tobacco harvester, several antique autos and a new 1955 Chevrolet, a rhythm band from Burlington school, a float from McLaughlin school and from Friendship school. Floats were judged by a committee consisting of Mrs. Paul Dezerne, Mrs. Sam Hiser, Mrs. Hubert Chaney, the Rev. J. W. Amory and the Rev. James W. Baker. Ten floats receiving awards were FFA at Hoke High, Mildouson 4-H Club, Bowmore School, Hoke Indian School, Ashmont 4-H club, Burlington school, Rockfish 4-H club, Laurel Hill School, Shady Grove school and Upchurch school.

After the parade the attention of the crowd was drawn to the stand in the street between the Bank of Raeford and Collins department store where the festivities were opened by a few well chosen words of welcome by Alfred Cole, mayor of Raeford.

Features of last year's parade lacking this year were Jimmy Burkhead as a clown and Bill Nelson bringing up the rear on his ass.

## Clayton Man Stops On Railroad Track With Train Coming

R. P. Caviness, about 65, of Clayton, was entering Raeford from Aberdeen at about 3:45 Tuesday afternoon, and when he got to the A & R railroad crossing on West Prospect Avenue he apparently saw the signals indicating the train was coming and applied his brakes. He didn't stop in time, however, but came to a dead stop right on the tracks as the engine slowly approached.

He said he tried to get the car started, tried to get in low, and then reverse, that he didn't know exactly what he did do, but he didn't move, anyway. The train hit his car, a 1954 Hudson, carried it a few feet, smashed up the front of it some, and smashed the back against something else, not a great amount of damage, considering what hit it. Mr. Caviness was not seriously injured.