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## Addenda -

By The Editor

Yesterday, Congressman C. B. Deane of the Eighth District was officially named to the important Appropriations Committee of the U. S. House of Representatives. Mr. Deane was one of the 10 senior members of Congress named to this key committee of the House, and his seniority gave him the rank of third place among the 10 who were named. He received the unanimous vote of all 15 members of the Ways and Means Committee, which serves as a committee on committees for the House.

Deane, on being advised of his appointment, expressed his sincere appreciation and said that he "fully shares with splendid people of my Congressional District this signal honor and opportunity for public service."

There is no doubt about the fact that keeping the same man in Congress for a long time lets a district wind up with a much more powerful man after a while. This appropriations committee is the most powerful committee in Washington, in the minds of many people, and it certainly is among the most powerful. Deane is third ranking man on it. The "Little Giant of the Big Pee Dee," as the late Dr. Alex Bethune used to call him, is living up to his name just like Dr. Bethune said he would if we sent him up there. Dr. Bethune introduced him at a rally one time as "Not Dizzy and not Daffy, but C. B. Deane, the Little Giant, etc."

John McGoogan dropped me a note a week or two ago about Dr. Karl B. Pace of Greenville, who was recently named General Practitioner of the Year for the whole United States by the American Medical Association. John said that he was raised at Maxton and attended the University of North Carolina with him and my father. "At that time," McGoogan wrote, "we lived in Robeson and we belonged to the Robeson County club with Karl Pace and the other Robeson County boys. Karl spent a good bit of time with the Raeford boys — He was an A-1 mixer, loved to talk, and really seemed more interested in people than his studies. In my opinion it was his love for people and his interest in their welfare that won him the award 'General Practitioner of the Year.'" About the same time I got the note from McGoogan I saw that Dr. Pace was a native of Chatham County, and I was waiting to reconcile this with McGoogan saying he was from Maxton. Anyway, J. Benton Thomas, another Carolina man of the same time, came in this week and straightened me out. Not knowing about McGoogan's note, he was telling me about an old roommate of his who was getting famous coming by to see him Sunday. He said Dr. Pace had come by to see McGoogan too, but had missed him. Thomas said he didn't know whether he had seen him since being in school and rooming with him or not, but that he knew him immediately. He also said that while being a native of Chatham County he had grown up in Maxton.

There is an unclouded bit of philosophy in this tale of two Indians from the Louisville Courier-Journal. The two had been observing closely the construction of a coastal lighthouse near their reservation. After completion they watched it every night. One night the rolled in and the fog-horn blew continuously. "Ugh," said one Indian to his companion, "light she shine, bell she ding-dong, horn she woowoo, fog she come in just the same." —Gluey Cleanings

Mr. and Mrs. Emmet Smith were Sunday visitors in the home of J. A. Roper.

## Jake Austin To Head Chamber Of Commerce For '55



J. H. "JAKE" AUSTIN

J. H. "Jake" Austin, local insurance man and secretary of the Chamber for the past two years, was named president of the Raeford Chamber of Commerce for 1955 by the directors at a meeting held after the annual meeting of the members on Tuesday night. He succeeds Paul Dickson.

The annual meeting was attended by some 84 members and guests of the Chamber, who enjoyed a delicious roast chicken supper, served in the high school cafeteria by Mrs. Lucy Smith and the cafeteria staff.

Report of W. C. Phillips, treasurer, was heard and approved. Four new directors for the Chamber were elected. They are J. L. McNeill, John Morgan, Graham Monroe and Younger Snead.

Speaker of the evening was Ed Lewis, manager of the Chamber of Commerce of Roanoke Rapids, who spoke to the group generally and interestingly on Chamber operations, merchants division operations, and credit bureau functioning. Following his talk he answered several questions about these matters.

At the directors meeting afterwards in addition to Austin as president Marion Gatlin was elected vice-president, Younger Snead secretary, and J. W. McPhaul, treasurer.

The new president is a native of Raeford, youngest son of Mrs. J. H. Austin, Sr., and the late Mr. Austin. He is a graduate of the University of North Carolina, taking a B.S. in business administration with the class of 1955.

For several years he was employed by the Texas Company and Standard Oil Company. He spent four years in the Navy, being discharged in 1946 with lieutenant. During the war he served on a troop transport in the Pacific. He worked for Para Thread Co. and has been in the insurance business here since 1950.

In August, 1952 he was married to Miss Doris Bradley of Kipling. They live on West Elmwood Avenue and have one daughter. He is a deacon in the Raeford Baptist Church and a director of the Raeford Kiwanis Club.

## Two Weeks Left To Buy Auto Tags

With only two weeks remaining in which to purchase 1955 vehicle license plates prior to the January 31 deadline, only about one-third of the vehicle tags estimated to be sold in Hoke County have been purchased by car and truck owners, according to Martin Baumgartner, Chamber of Commerce manager of the local AAA tag outlet.

Baumgartner said that business up to this week had been barely moving, and regretted that so many people were apparently waiting to get their tags at the last minute, at which time they will undoubtedly have to stand in line for long periods of time, wherever they buy them.

The local office, in the Bank of Raeford building, is open from 9:00 to 4:00 each weekday, and from 9:00 until noon on Saturdays.

## Hoke Girls Defeat Maxton, Lumberton, To Play Here Friday

The Hoke County High School girls basketball team, paced by A11-State Performer Claudine Hodgins, added two more victories to their string in the past week, beating Lumberton 73-62 there last Friday and beating the Maxton girls in Maxton on Tuesday night 58 to 48. The boys team dropped both games, losing to Lumberton 49-32 and to Maxton 32-25.

For the girls teams Claudine Hodgins has an average of 34 points per game and Janet Guin 30 points per game for the season so far.

The Hoke teams meet the teams from Clinton here Friday night, with the girls game scheduled to start at 7:15 o'clock, instead of 7:30 as usual.

## Bank Of Raeford Has Stockholders Meeting

On Thursday morning of last week the stockholders of the Bank of Raeford held their annual meeting. A report from the management showed that the bank had enjoyed another very good year during 1954. The stockholders elected the following directors to serve this year: H. L. Gatlin, F. B. Sexton, T. B. Upchurch, Jr., J. B. Thomas, J. L. McNeill, A. K. Stevens, C. L. Thomas, H. L. Gatlin, Jr., R. B. Lewis and L. M. Upchurch.

At a meeting of the directors held immediately after the stockholders meeting the following officers were elected for the year: H. L. Gatlin, president; F. B. Sexton, vice-president; R. B. Lewis, executive vice-president and cashier; Miss Jessie B. Ferguson and A. W. Wood, Jr., assistant cashier.

Organized in 1903, the Bank of Raeford is entering its fifty-second year of banking service in this community.

Mr. and Mrs. Neill Campbell and sons of Madison, Tenn. visited Mr. Campbell's sister, Mrs. Charlie Davis, and Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Davis last week. They visited Mr. and Mrs. Herman Campbell and family in Fairmont on Friday.

Cpl. Thomas A. McNeill is now stationed at Camp McCauley in Austria, where he is attending Military Intelligence School. Mr. McNeill is the son of Mrs. Hector McNeill and the late Mr. McNeill.

## Strother Home Is Shown Last Week; Not Many Name It

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert D. Strother, about one mile south of Ashley Heights, was pictured as the mystery photo in last week's paper, and was first correctly identified by Mrs. Edwin Pickler of Raeford, a former resident and native of Quewhiffle Township, An Ashley Heights resident, Mrs. D. H. Johnson, was the first rural subscriber to correctly name the home pictured. Others naming it were Ann Webb, Herman Clark and Billy Southern.

The Strother place, on Route one, Aberdeen, was a part of the old B. B. Saunders property for the most part before Mr. Strother acquired it in 1918. The other part was owned by J. L. Pickler before Mr. Strother. The farm now consists of about 200 acres.

A native of Montgomery County, Mr. Strother came to Hoke County in 1916 and bought the farm two years later. In 1920 he built the home shown in the picture, and was married to Nora B. Sides of Stanley County, who died in 1951. Children of this union are Robert D., Jr., who owns adjoining farm and farms with his father as well; Gladys (Mrs. J. W. Cain) of Ashley Heights; Ruby (Mrs. C. T. Crouch, Jr.) also of the same section; Ralph, in the Air Force at Tucson, Arizona; Betty Lou (Mrs. Harold Martin) of near Los Angeles, California.

In 1952 he was married to the former Bessie Rorie, and they have a son, Leland D., aged eight months. They are members of the Ashley Heights Baptist Church, the Farm Bureau and the Quewhiffle Fellowship Club.

Primarily a tobacco farmer planting 25 acres a year, Mr. Strother also plants cotton, corn and small grain on the 164 acres he cultivates. Cover crops are planted on open acreage. His hobbies are hunting and fishing, and the pond in the picture, built in 1924, was rebuilt in 1953.

Little Miss Jane Pratt returned from Moore County Hospital Thursday, where she was a patient for several days, due to a broken leg.

Mrs. W. R. Ivey returned to Chicago, Illinois with her daughter, Mrs. Donald Ratz, for a visit.

## Children's Pictures Finally Arrive, 12 Printed This Week

Newspaper cuts of the 100-plus Hoke County children who were photographed here on October 25 finally arrived this week, and the first of them appear in today's paper. Twelve of the children are shown today, and several will be printed each week for the next eight or ten weeks until every child's picture has been published.

Many of the children were photographed individually, and many were also taken in family groups. The cuts came to the paper in no particular order, and they will be published competely at random also. They cannot be arranged in alphabetical order, as the company has already placed them on the cuts in groups. Whatever the order, though, every child's picture will finally appear.

These pictures have already been entered in the Southeastern States division of the "Citizens of Tomorrow" contest, in which the Allen Studios will award \$125 each to the cutest boy and the cutest girl photographed in these states.

## Ballentine To Speak To Grange, Kiwanis

President J. H. Blue of the Raeford Kiwanis Club and Program Chairman Walter P. Baker have announced that the Kiwanis Club will have its weekly meeting and supper tonight with the Wayside Grange at the Wayside Community house.

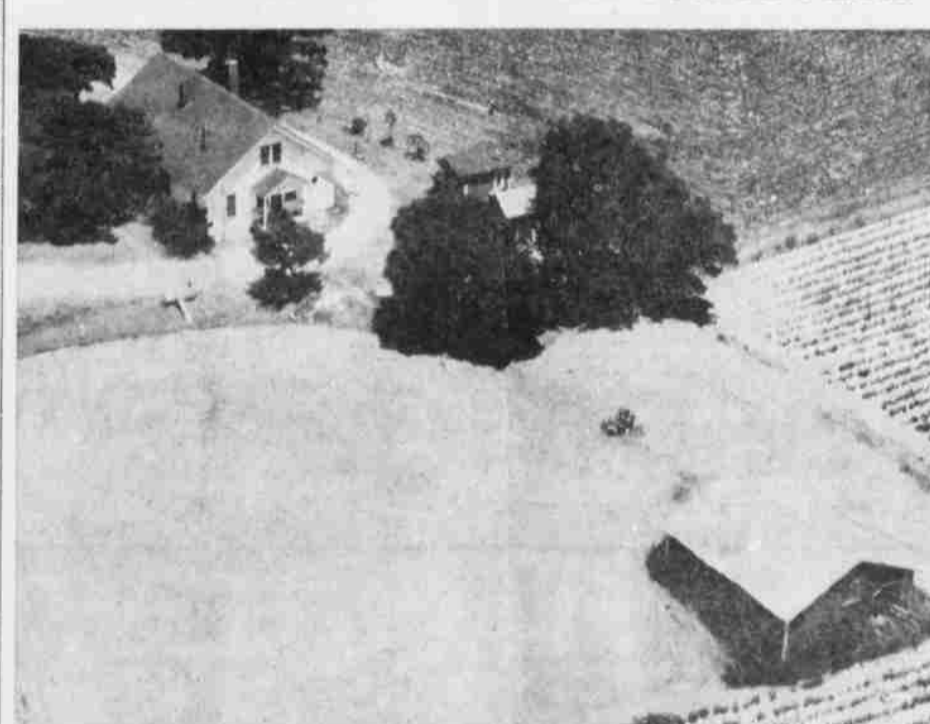
Fred P. Johnson, master of the Grange, has announced that the speaker for the joint meeting will be L. Y. "Stag" Ballentine, commissioner of agriculture of North Carolina.

## WOMAN'S CLUB PLANS VARIETY SHOW FEB. 15

The Raeford Woman's Club announced this week that it would promote and stage a "Variety Show" at the high school auditorium on the night of Thursday, February 17, for the benefit of its community building fund.

The show will be entirely of local and Hoke County talent and will consist of a baby contest with a prize for boys and girls, an amateur hour, a minstrel, a cake walk, a swing band and a string band. Complete details for contestants will be published later.

## 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-months subscriptions are offered for first identifications 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, 221. 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.

Owners or operators of the farms pictured are not offered the prize, but we do have a beautiful mounted enlargement of the original photo, free for each of them and invite them to call at the office for it each week.

## TWO HOKE MEN ARE KILLED IN HIGHWAY ACCIDENT SATURDAY

### Recorder's Court: 56 Cases Cleared, 40 For Speeding

State Highway Patrolmen continued their drive on speeding in the county as they charged 40 defendants with speeding on the docket of the county recorder's court. Although the cases went through the court, only two defendants appeared, the others leaving bonds and continuing their journeys. Cases involving 16 other defendants were heard in the session before Judge T. O. Moses.

On charges of driving drunk, violating the prohibition laws and resisting arrest, Calvin Foster McBryde, Jr., white, was found guilty. Sentence was 90 days, to be suspended on payment of \$120 and court costs. McBryde appealed to Superior Court and posted \$250 bond.

James V. Bryan, white, was found guilty of driving drunk, and driving after his license had been revoked. He got 90 days to be suspended on payment \$125 and costs. Grady P. Grimes, white, pled guilty of driving drunk and got 90 days suspended on payment of \$100 and court costs. Austin P. Kendrick, colored, pled guilty of driving drunk, and prayer for judgment was continued until February 1 upon payment of \$40.

Noah James Andrews, colored, was found guilty of non-support of his two minor children. Sentence was six months, suspended as long as he pays \$10 weekly toward their support and on payment of court costs.

Edwin W. Seagraves, white pled guilty on a charge of assault and non-support. Sentence was 60 days, to be suspended on payment of \$10 and costs, two years good behavior, the return of a shotgun to his brother, and on condition that he not retain firearms for two years.

Dobbin Jones and Worth Jones, Indians, were found guilty of violating the prohibition laws and sent to the roads for from four to six months each, when they could not pay \$200 and costs each.

Bill Yarborough, white, got 30 days suspended on payment of costs for violating the prohibition laws. Tip McLaughlin, colored, for possession of non-tax-paid liquor, had judgment suspended on payment of \$10 and costs. John N. Graham, white, pled guilty of violating the prohibition laws and got 30 days suspended on payment of \$20 and costs.

Mattie Blue Barnwell, colored woman, offered no defense to a charge of carrying a concealed weapon. Sentence was 60 days suspended on payment of \$15 and costs, confiscation of her brass knuckles, and two years good behavior. She offered the same plea to a charge of possessing non-tax-paid liquor. Sentence on this charge was 30 days suspended on payment of \$10 and costs.

Early Marshall, colored, pled guilty of having no driver's license and had to pay \$10 and costs.

For careless and reckless driving resulting in damage mostly to themselves Joseph J. Finkley, colored, and Archie D. McFadyen, white, each had to pay court costs. Marion L. Wade, white, in a case involving more damage to other parties, got 30 days suspended on payment of \$50 and costs.

James A. Powell, white, pled guilty of the unlawful possession of fireworks and had to pay \$10 and costs. Wayne C. Parnell had to pay \$10 and costs for speeding, and Willie H. McMillan had to pay (Continued on back page)

### First Traffic Deaths Of '55 In Car-Truck Collision

The worst wreck of the new year, and probably the worst in Hoke County since seven were killed on 15-A south of Raeford on July 17, 1953, took place at about 1:30 a. m. last Saturday less than a mile from the scene of the first, about four and a half miles south of Raeford. It was the first fatal wreck of 1955 in Hoke County, and two Negro men lost their lives.

State Highway Patrolman W. T. Herbin, investigating officer, was told by Bruce L. Hoffman, owner and driver of the big Mack truck-trailer which was heading south that he saw an oncoming car clearly on the wrong side of the road as he approached a curve (near the residence of E. C. Smith, Jr.). He said that with his big loaded truck he was able to do little more than pull slightly off the side of the road before the vehicle collided with terrific force. Hoffman, a native of Coconut Grove, Fla., said he was driving at about 45 miles an hour.

Charles M. McNeill, driver of the 1942 Chevrolet and his passenger, Junior Knight, both of Raeford, Route 1, were killed almost instantly. Knight died lodged in his seat and McNeill was thrown from the vehicle when the driver's side was torn to shreds. The McNeill car bounced away from the big truck to the opposite side of the road where it came to rest upright on the shoulder.

David L. Kellar, of McShere-ton, Pa., stand-by-driver on the truck, received cuts and bruises about the face, as did Hoffman, the driver, and both were carried to Scotland Memorial Hospital for first aid.

Patrolman L. F. Brown of Wagram and Patrolman Herbin were the first officers to reach the scene. Herbin said the accident happened at about 1:30 and that it was about 4:00 o'clock before the demolished car and badly wrecked truck could be removed.

Coroner James C. Lentz also visited the scene shortly after the accident, but decided there was no necessity for an inquest.

## Lodge Installs 1955 Officers Tuesday

At a regular stated meeting on Tuesday, January 11, at 8:00 p. m. the Raeford Masonic Lodge No. 306 saw its officers for the coming year impressively installed by Past Master A. H. McPhaul.

Installed as officers were James E. Byrd, Worshipful Master; B. G. Langston, Senior Warden; Harvey Warlick, Junior Warden; Stanley Koonce, Treasurer; D. F. McInnis, Secretary; Paul Livingston, Senior Deacon; Willie M. Jones, Junior Deacon; W. L. Lancaster, Tyler; Sam F. Hiser, Senior Steward; Donald F. Yates, Junior Steward; Rev. J. Herbert Miller, Chaplain.

## FORMER RESIDENT TO EXTERMINATE HERE

James H. Irby, who lived here before going to Wilson eight years ago, has returned with his wife, the former Dorothy Currie, and their daughter, Martha Ann. They have bought a home in Sunset Hill where Mrs. Irby's mother, Mrs. D. A. Currie, will live with them.

When he was here before, Irby was employed at Fort Bragg as a teacher of field sanitation and in the department of malaria control. In Wilson for the past eight years he was manager of an exterminating company, and he now plans to operate his own exterminating company here. He is a Methodist, a Mason and a member of the WOW.