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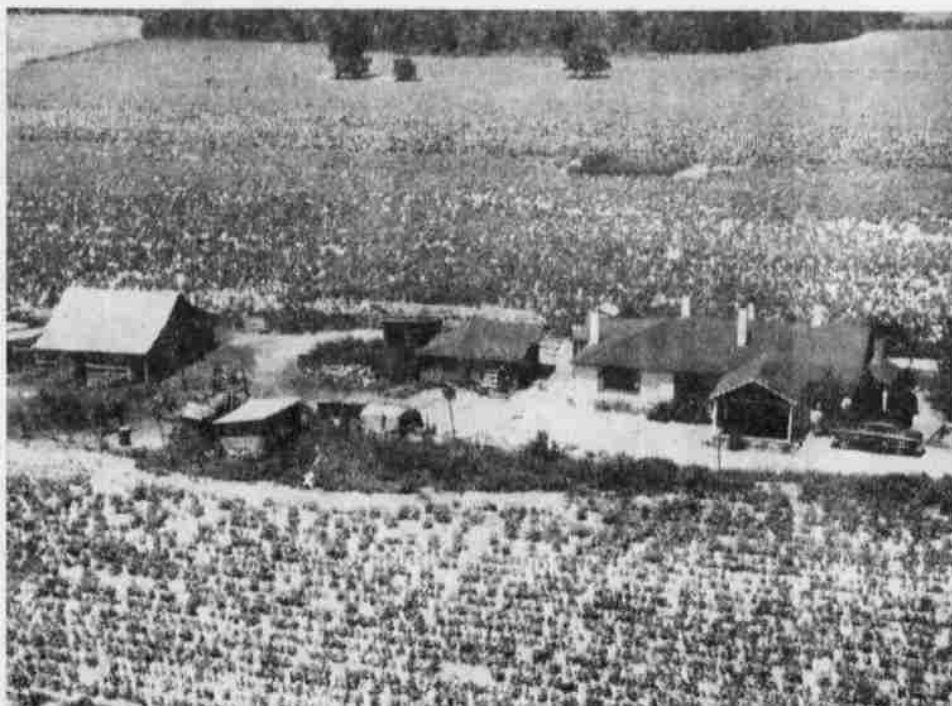
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CAN YOU IDENTIFY THIS HOKE COUNTY FARM?



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, 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.

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.

Addenda -

By The Editor

Representative Harry A. Greene of Hoke County had his picture in the News & Observer this morning. It was there because he had just been appointed chairman of the house committee on propositions and grievances, and because this is one of the most powerful committees in the house of representatives. Power is not the main reason for interest in the committee, though, but because it is likely to have to handle any legislation on liquor that comes up. Greene was its chairman in 1953, but such legislation as did arise on the subject of liquor was sent to another committee in a surprise move by the speaker. It is still, however, considered likely that new legislation, asking for a referendum on liquor, would be sent to the propositions and grievances committee this session. This county being dry, Greene's attitude would be expected to be in favor of a referendum if the subject comes up. There is not near the talk of a referendum this year there was two years ago, and the dries couldn't get one then, so they probably won't this time, I guess. Greene was also named a vice-chairman of the House Finance committee two weeks ago. This being his fifth term, he is getting to be one of the higher ranking members of the house, where seniority means right much sometimes.

Three or four readers have called my hand on my expressed intention to get with John McGoogan and write, or get him to write, an article about the rising of this community, Raeford Institute, etc. They say they hope it will be done. Well, I do too, and intention is still good. Furthermore, Mr. McGoogan told me yesterday he would work on it, but that we would have to rely in some degree on contributions of facts from readers after we got started.

Received a news release today about George B. Weaver's boy. It got here too late to get in, but will be in next week. George is a son of Mrs. Jennie B. Weaver and a brother of Robert Weaver, both of Raeford, and grew up here. He is now a newspaperman in Albemarle, and his wife was Nita Chason from Lumber Bridge. Their 15-year-old son, George Arthur, has a real record of achievement for his age, as you will see next week, and has just been appointed one of the 75 or so boys who will serve as pages in the United States Congress. It is a pleasure to congratulate the boy, along with his proud parents and grandmother.

A very interesting case was on the docket of the recorder's court this week, although it was not tried. Raeford Policeman Jesse Lee, as I understand it, saw a jar of white lightning come from a car. Being unable to find out who its owner was, he swore out a warrant for every one of the seven men in the car. Of course, when the case got to court there was no case against anyone, as obviously all couldn't own the liquor, and there was no way of finding out just who did own it. So the State dropped the case. I don't question that the case should have been dropped, and certainly the law violation is not serious enough for a fuss. In fact, I don't see anything wrong with having a little liquor open in the car anyway, if you can buy it legally in a store. This wasn't the kind you buy legally in the store, though, I understand. What I wonder is, what the court would have done if it were a murder that one of the seven had done, instead of owning a little liquor.

Can you get up a crowd and commit a crime of any seriousness and say in effect, "One of us did it but we won't say who",

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Mother's March Is Success; Plan Other Events

Roger W. Dixon, chairman of the 1955 March of Dimes drive in Hoke County, said today that there seems to have been a renewal of interest in the drive in the past few days, and that things were definitely looking up. He said that almost \$800 had been collected up to the present time, with the "Mother's March on Polio", conducted on Monday night, bringing in the largest single amount so far. This effort brought in \$387.80.

Dixon said that the communities in the county were taking an interest in the drive, and that it is being supported by many business houses. In Raeford the Hotel was to give all profits from fountain and machine colas today. Tomorrow, Friday, the Elk Restaurant will contribute all receipts from the sale of coffee. On Saturday Howell Drug Co. will contribute all profits from the sale of Rexall goods, Bon Mart all profits from the sale of ladies hose, and Benner's Auto Supply all profits from the sale of brake fluid.

There will be a square dance on Friday night at the Blue Springs community house for the drive, and next Thursday night the High school orchestra will play for a round dance at the armory for the campaign.

Talent Show To Have Baby & Tot Contest

Part of the Talent Festival program to be held by the Woman's Club February 17 at the high school will be a baby and tiny tot contest, which all preschool children are eligible to enter. The two groups of these will be under three and from three to six. Prizes will be given to boys and girls in each group.

The committee requires that the mothers fix voting jars with names, ages, pictures and carry them to Mrs. W. E. Willis, Mrs. Stanley Koonce, Mrs. Hubert Chaney or to Howell's Drug Store before February 9. This contest will be the first thing on the program on February 17, and all the children will have opportunity to be on the stage at that time.

J. W. Bowman entered Moore County Hospital on Sunday and remains a patient there.

Prisoner Escapes From Hoke Jail Sunday Night

Sheriff D. H. Hodgkin said today that there was still no trace of Willie Arnold, 41-year-old Negro who escaped from the county jail on Sunday night through a skylight. Arnold was one of four prisoners in jail in connection with the robbery of Johnson Cotton Co. here and had been placed by himself in another section of the jail because the sheriff said it was suspected he might be a bad actor.

The store was entered Wednesday night of last week and some tires, wrenches and \$40 cash was stolen. Allegedly caught in the act by the quick work of Policeman Jesse Lee was C. J. "Sandy" Blue. Others in jail charged with having a part in the affair are Junior Arnold, brother of the escaped man, and Samuel E. Martin. Bubba McKinnon, who had been held for investigation, was released without charge. They were given preliminary hearing in recorder's court Tuesday, which is to be concluded next Tuesday.

In getting out of the jail the sheriff says he doesn't know how he got to the 12-foot ceiling of the room where he was jailed, but he did, and pushed back a skylight which was designed to be fastened. Conveniently waiting for him there was a new ladder to the ground which Janitor Dave Jones and others had been using in working on some leaks in the roof since the snow and the grand jury. Sheriff Hodgkin said it was quite possible Arnold had outside help in getting up to the skylight.

He is described as five feet six inches tall, about 180 pounds, with a scar on his left wrist. He has a criminal record, the sheriff said.

CHURCH HEATER STOLEN

Bethel Presbyterian Church was entered on Sunday night and the large gas heater for the assembly room was stolen. It was a well planned job, apparently, as a key was used to get in the building, the gas was cut off at the tank, and the heater disconnected and hauled from the back door. Rural Policeman Jones is investigating and has reported no arrest so far.

Hoke High Girls Add Laurinburg, Clinton To List

Whiteville Here Friday

It begins to be not a matter of reporting how the Hoke County girls basketball team, paced by All-State Claudine Hodgkin, came out, but who they beat. Last Friday night they went to Clinton and beat the Clinton High girls 84-72, and on Tuesday night they handed the Laurinburg sextet a sound licking 77-61.

In Clinton Friday they won behind Hodgkin's 43 point shooting and Janet Guin's 32 points. Williamson for Clinton was high with 39.

Here Tuesday night Hodgkin got 37 against Laurinburg with Guin sinking 30 points. Hatcher led for Laurinburg with 45 points. Against Clinton the boys lost 73-36, with Koonce being high with 10 points. Here against Laurinburg they lost 56 to 35, Bowling being high with 11.

To Play Here Monday

The Hoke teams will play the postponed games with Lumberton here on Monday night and will go to Elizabethtown on Tuesday night. They play Whiteville here on Friday night of this week.

Tractor Schools Set For Next Wednesday

W. C. Williford, county farm agent, again reminded farmers of the county this week of the two tractor schools to be held here next Wednesday and urged them to take advantage of them. They are to be conducted by J. C. Ferguson, State College tractor specialist who is considered an outstanding authority on the subject. One school will be conducted at Hoke High School starting at 2:00 p. m. and the other will be in the agriculture building at Upchurch High school starting at 7:00 p. m.

Tractor dealers will have their equipment on display and will be given opportunities to explain it. Diesel engines will also be discussed briefly.

JAN. 16 COTTON REPORT

Census report shows that 8,164 bales of cotton were ginned in Hoke County from the crop of 1954 prior to January 16, 1955, as compared to 12,188 bales ginned for the crop of 1953.

Kiwanians Honor 4 At Ladies Night; Hear Carmichael

In addition to the "Man of the Year" award covered elsewhere, the Raeford Kiwanis Club honored four of its members by presenting them with 25-year "Legion of Honor" pins at the "Ladies Night" held last Thursday night at the start of the club's 31st year. The four who received their pins from Lieutenant Governor J. Benton Thomas in the ceremony were Dr. R. L. Murray, Israel Mann, Dr. R. A. Matheson and D. H. Hodgkin. All are former presidents of the club, Mann having served last year. The 25-year pins were pinned on Mann and Dr. Matheson by their wives, on Dr. Murray by Charlie Justice, who happened to be present, and on Hodgkin by his daughter, All-State Basketball Player Claudine in absence of Mrs. Murray and Mrs. Hodgkin.

President J. H. Blue opened the meeting and turned the program over to Robert Gatlin, program chairman for the year, who served as master of ceremonies. The ladies were welcomed by Clyde Upchurch, Jr., and a poetic response was made by Mrs. Younger Snead. Each lady guest of a Kiwanian introduced herself, and several humorous games and contests were played, with prizes being won by Mrs. John Flannery, Mrs. Marcus Smith and W. T. Gibson, Jr.

Gifts were presented for the club by A. H. McPhaul, secretary, to Mrs. Ina P. Bethune, pianist, and Mrs. Lucy Smith, manager of the high school cafeteria.

Perfect attendance awards were presented by Lt. Gov. Thomas to E. B. Satterwhite for one year, Jake Austin for two years, Younger Snead for four years, Dr. Julius H. Jordan for six years, Neill A. McDonald for nine years, (Continued on back page)

State College Club Hears Earle Edwards Here Monday Night

Earle Edwards, new football coach at N. C. State College, was the main speaker at a regular dinner meeting of the Hoke County State College Club on Monday night. Forty-two alumni and friends of the club enjoyed the meeting and supper at the J. B. Thomas pond.

Coach Edwards endeavored to give the gathering a glimpse of the football picture at State College as he presently sees it, and what the future will hold for supporters of the State College football team.

Coach Edwards, formerly with Penn State College thirteen years and Michigan State College six years, is rounding out his first year at N. C. State College. He left a very favorable impression with all present, and it was generally agreed that the football destinies at State are in very capable hands.

The meeting was opened by President John L. Morgan, Jr., who introduced the popular "Pop" Taylor, Secretary of the Alumni Association. Taylor pointed to the tremendous strides made at State College in recent years. Outstanding among Alumni Association projects, he mentioned the building of Owen and Tucker dormitories, and the Memorial Tower, the Development Council and the "Nickels-for-know-how" program.

Also on the program was Wolfpack Club Director, Harry Stewart, who outlined the plans and program of the Wolfpack Club in other counties in the state and the progress they are making. He expressed his appreciation for the interest shown Wolfpack activities by the Alumni of Hoke County.

The meeting was adjourned after Coach Edwards showed films of the State-Wake Forest freshman game of last season, which State won 13-7.

Truman B. Austin Kiwanis Club's "Man Of Year"



TRUMAN AUSTIN

The sixth annual presentation of the Raeford Kiwanis Club's "Man of the Year" award, to the man of the community considered most outstanding, was made to Truman B. Austin for the year 1954 at the Kiwanis Club's annual "Ladies Night" last Thursday. Previous recipients of the cup have been C. L. Thomas, L. M. Upchurch, J. L. McNeill, Robert H. Gatlin and Paul Dickson.

The presentation to Austin was made as a climax to the program by R. B. Lewis, past president of the club and past Kiwanis division lieutenant governor. He described in detail the outstanding activities considered by the committee in selecting Austin for the award.

Pointing to his ready cooperation in any public endeavor, Lewis gave particular emphasis to Austin's work as a member of the Town Board, and to his achievements in the field of street improvement for the town. He said that Austin was always ready to throw in and get behind any project for Raeford's improvement, and had only to be told how to help. Austin also contributed greatly to the improvement of the swimming hole last summer and other projects in Raeford not specifically pointed out by Lewis, who said that he was the unanimous choice of the committee for the presentation.

Austin is a Baptist and the son of Mrs. J. H. Austin, Sr., of Raeford, and the late Mr. Austin. He was born at Trilby, Florida, where his father was in the lumber business, and the family moved here when he was a small child, where his father was engaged in the lumber and cotton ginning business until his death in 1937. There are four sons and three daughters in the family. Austin graduated at Raeford High School and attended the University of North Carolina. He worked here with his father and in Cleveland, Ohio with the Standard Oil Co., and prior to the war he worked at Fort Bragg and Pope Field. In the war he served as an Air Force lieutenant, with about two years in Europe.

Since the war he has been in the dirt moving and grading business, doing the grading for many roads and projects in this section, including the Robbins Mill here. He has been on the town board since 1952, and three and a half miles of streets have been paved in that time.

Austin is present commander of the Hoke County Ellis Williamson American Legion post. His hobbies include quail hunting and driving a speed boat.

SINGING NOTICE

All high school students or adults of the community who are interested in joining with the choirs of the several churches of Raeford in singing "The Crucifixion", Easter cantata by Stainer, are invited to meet at the Raeford Presbyterian Church on Sunday afternoon at four o'clock.

Two Verdicts Of Driving Drunk Are Appealed

Two men charged with driving drunk were found guilty in Hoke County recorder's court by Judge T. O. Moses at the Tuesday session, and each entered an appeal to Superior Court. Of the two cases on this charge heard by juries in the last term of Superior Court one defendant was found not guilty and the other resulted in a hung jury. Found guilty and sentenced to 90 days to be suspended on payment of \$100 and costs by Judge Moses Tuesday were Walter J. Holt, white, and Cornell Malloy, colored. Each posted \$200 bond for his appearance in Superior Court. Clyde Helms, white, and Austin P. Kendrick, colored, each pled guilty of driving drunk and got 90 days suspended on payment of \$100 and costs.

Malcolm N. Clark, white, was charged with refusing to surrender his driving license when asked by an officer. He pled guilty and judgment was suspended on payment of costs and on surrender of the license.

Sim Peterkin, colored, paid \$25 and costs for leaving his car unattended on the highway at night without lights causing a wreck. Thomas W. Wilson, colored man who ran into Peterkin's car, paid \$25 and costs for driving without a license.

Bennie W. Gregg, white, was found guilty of careless and reckless driving and having no driver's license. He was sentenced to 30 days to be suspended on payment of \$25 and costs. He appealed and posted \$75 bond.

Richard A. Sinclair, white, got 30 days suspended on payment of \$25 and costs for careless and reckless driving and having an expired driving license. For careless and reckless driving John W. Smith, white, paid \$10 and costs. Kermit Rogers, Indian, went to the roads for 90 days for careless and reckless driving and driving after his license had been revoked.

For failing to stop at a stop sign James A. McCall left a \$25 bond and Leonard Manley, Jr., left a \$15 bond. Lindberg Judd left \$15 for having improper brakes on his car.

John Brown, colored, pled guilty of stealing a ham from F. Harrison and went to the roads for (Continued on Page 8)

Child Narrowly Misses Death When Struck By Truck

A seven-year-old colored girl of this county was injured seriously Tuesday afternoon when she was struck by a trailer-truck on 15-A about eight miles east of Raeford.

Jeris Lee McLean of Route two, daughter of James A. McLean, who lives on the farm of Mrs. Marshall Newton, was rushed to a Fayetteville hospital for treatment of what was described as a brain concussion and a fractured pelvis. She was reported to have been improving satisfactorily this morning.

According to John Parker, she was returning from the store and had been kept on one side of the road for some time by a convoy. She saw a gap in it and rushed through without seeing the truck, which she apparently ran into.

Patrolmen said the truck swerved off the right shoulder after striking her and skidded about 75 feet into a field. The truck was not damaged and no charges were preferred in connection with the accident.

DR. O'BRIANT WORKING

Dr. A. L. O'Briant, who underwent a major abdominal operation at Moore County Hospital on December 3, returned to his office in the hotel building on Feb. 1, and is back at work. He looks well and says he feels that way.