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Addenda

By The Editor

Looks of the center of town were considerably improved this week when the lot of T. B. Upchurch, Inc., on the corner of Main Street and West Elwood Avenue was cleared of the old red wagon. This wagon was operated for the sale of candy and chewing gum, tobacco and cold drinks for what seems to me to have been over 25 years at least, and probably longer, by a succession of owners, some of whom sold hot dogs and hamburgers also in the days before the health people got so strict on food sellers. It was really a landmark, but not one that will be missed. Seems like when I was a youngster it was known as "King's Wagon," and that we used to run around there from the movie when Willie Walters ran it to get peanuts and drinks.

Chief Warrant Officer Roger W. Dixon tells me that for the first time in several months there is a vacancy in the local National Guard unit, Company A, 130th Tank Battalion, of which he is unit administrator. He is at the armory every day, Monday through Friday as well as Monday nights, and says that the first man to apply will be enlisted in the vacancy. Others will be put on a waiting list with good prospects of being enlisted before the company goes to Camp Stewart, Ga., the last two weeks in August for its summer field training. I, incidentally, am really looking forward to learning to drive one of those big M-48 tanks with the 90 millimeter gun on it while we are there. That is, if they have one with a turret big enough for me to get through. I doubt they do, though, sorta like my wife's garden hoe won't fit my hand.

The weather has been talked about almost as much in the past few days as it was last fall when Hazel the Hurricane came through. Like Hazel, but on a smaller scale, its damage has been tremendous. Sad sight in my end of town, and many others that I didn't know about no doubt, was my neighbor Marion Gatlin, who always spends Wednesday afternoons hard at work in his beautiful flower garden. He didn't even have the heart to come out of the house this Wednesday after the cold had killed everything he had started, and I believe it's the first one he has missed.

Another rather toughing note on the cold snap comes from my old friend Henry Bost of Wilmington, who was with several Hoke County boys in Trinidad before the war, later lived here while working as a civilian at Fort Bragg and finally wound up as a Navy lieutenant at Wilmington. He is there now, running an advertising agency, and places the advertising with us for the Orton Plantation every spring. In his note he says that after the "tragic freeze" there will be no more advertising this spring, as "the gardens were hurt." In what is doubtless something of an understatement he says the azaleas will "not be nearly so colorful" for the rest of the season, although he says a visit to Orton for the natural beauty of the place and its historic background is worthwhile at any time. He said that last week's advertisement that the azaleas would be in beautiful color until after Easter was made in good faith, and invited all who would to come anyway.

In the drawings held Friday and Saturday afternoons at the Grand Opening of the new Shoe Department at Israel Mann's store Mrs. Alvin Seaford of Route three won the week-end bag on Friday afternoon, and Billy Dalton won the three-piece luggage set given away on Saturday afternoon.

Figures on State sales and use tax collections for February this year are over \$300,000 higher than for February of last year, indicating that much more business is being done in the State. Big increases were shown in Harnett, Moore, Scotland, Robeson and Cumberland Counties. All the (Continued on Back Page)

Recorder's Court; 25 Speeders Pay In Last 2 Weeks

The docket in Hoke County recorder's court before Judge T. O. Moses Tuesday was not as large as would be expected for the two-week accumulation of cases caused by no court being held last week during the civil term of Superior Court. About 20 cases were heard, including two speeders, and 23 other persons forfeited bonds on charges of speeding.

William L. Bolton, white, was found guilty of driving drunk. Sentence was 90 days to be suspended on payment of \$100 and costs. He appealed and posted \$300 bond. David C. Bean, white soldier, also appealed a conviction of driving drunk with the same sentence. He had to post bond of \$250.

Charles R. Barfield, white, was found guilty of driving after his license had been revoked. Sentence was 90 days to be suspended on payment of \$200 and costs. He appealed and posted bond.

John E. Townsend, white soldier, pled guilty of driving with improper license plates and with no driver's license. He paid \$10 and costs. Emerson E. Johnson, Indian, pled guilty of driving without driver's license and paid \$25 and costs. V. A. Winbrow, white, left a \$50 bond for speeding and having no driver's license.

For having improper brakes L. D. Faircloth, white, Willie J. Smith and Nick Easterling, colored, each paid \$10 and costs. Willie Nickson, colored, paid costs for the same offense.

Charles A. Pittman, white, and John Wise, colored, each pled guilty of violating the prohibition laws, and each had to pay \$10 and court costs.

Robert Rogers, colored, pled guilty of non-support. Sentence was six months, to be suspended on condition that he pay \$20 every two weeks to his wife.

Albert Kirk, colored, went to the roads for 90 days for public drunkenness, and Charlie Lee left a \$25 bond for the same offense.

State dropped the case in which Eugene "Dock" Campbell, colored, was charged with violating the prohibition laws.

The case in which Alfred Chavis, Indian, was charged with driving drunk was dropped when it appeared that he was the wrong man.

A case in which Mrs. Geraldine Martin was charged with following too close, resulting in an accident was also dropped by the State for lack of evidence.

Harry Fein, white, left a \$60 bond for speeding 80 miles an hour. One speeder paid \$20 and costs, one paid \$10 and costs, eight left \$15 bonds and ten left \$25 bonds.

PERSONALS

G. C. Lytle, Jr. returned home Tuesday from Scotland Memorial Hospital after undergoing an operation on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester C. Kinlaw, Jr. of Gastonia spent the week end with Mrs. George W. Hanna and Mr. and Mrs. Pat Jenet.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Williams of Tabor City visited Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Scarborough on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Walters and family and Mr. and Mrs. Archie L. Walters and family visited relatives in Marion, S. C. on Sunday.

Mrs. Gene Brooks III and son, Gene IV, of Durham are spending several days with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. R. A. Matheson.

Mrs. Bryan Eubanks of Wingate and Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Hall visited Miss Josephine Hall during the week end.

Mrs. Mary B. Fuller returned to her home in Liberty last Friday after a visit with her brother, John McKay Blue.

Mrs. C. R. Suddreth left Tuesday for Marietta, Georgia where she will spend two weeks with Mr. and Mrs. T. T. Suddreth.

Patrolman Surratt Leaves Patrol For Farm Near Denton

Patrolman Dolan G. Surratt, who has spent his entire career with the North Carolina State Highway Patrol in Raeford and Hoke County, went to Raleigh today to turn in his equipment and be separated from the patrol. He plans to move with his family to his farm in Randolph County near Denton, where their new home has just been completed.

Surratt is a native of Route three, Denton, where he is returning, and was a farmer there before entering the State Highway Patrol in 1947. He was assigned to this county immediately after he successfully completed the course at the patrol school in Chapel Hill, and took up his duty here on November 1 of that year.

He was married in 1946 to the former Miss Lurene Talbert of Denton, and they have one son, Allen, aged six months.

During World War II he was in the Army Infantry, and served in combat with the 35th Division in Europe.

At his home Surratt plans to operate his own farm as well as that of his father, adjoining, as his father's health is not good.

During his seven years here Patrolman Surratt has built a reputation of honesty and fairness which any officer could envy, and his performance of his duty has been at all times in the highest traditions of the Highway Patrol, reflecting much credit on himself, the Patrol and the State which he served. He and his family take with them the best wishes and affection of the people of this county, and their commendations for a job well done.

Local Student Tours With Davidson Band

David McFadyen, Davidson College sophomore and son of Mr. and Mrs. Duncan G. McFadyen of Raeford, is on the annual spring tour with the Davidson College Concert Band. McFadyen plays the saxophone.

The band left Monday, and the tour included concerts in Cedar-town and Fort Benning, in Georgia, Pensacola, Florida, Montgomery, Ala., and New Orleans, La. They will return to the Davidson campus on Sunday.

The concert band is composed of 50 selected musicians and has gained a wide reputation for being one of the finest organizations of its kind. Its director is Professor Kenneth Moore.

Mrs. D. F. Truelove returned from Memorial Hospital in Chapel Hill Sunday where she has been a patient.

Angus Currie Is New Jaycee Head

At the annual election meeting of the Raeford Junior Chamber of Commerce Tuesday night Angus J. Currie, popular young Bank of Raeford teller, was elected president for the organization's new year, succeeding Peter McLean.

Other officers elected were vice-president, Dave McMillan; recording secretary, Eugene "Bud" Deibler; Treasurer, Charles Hostetter; corresponding secretary, Everett Ferrell; director at large, Bion Brewer.

The new president is 27 years of age and was born in Blue Springs Township, this county. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Rex Currie, and graduated from Hoke High School in 1946. He served two years in the U. S. Air Force with duty in Japan.

Married to the former Miss Margaret Duncan of Laurinburg, he is a deacon of the Raeford Presbyterian Church and has been employed by the bank for about four and one-half years. He lives at 207 Adams Street, and has shown much interest in church and civic activities.

Cotton Allotment Release Date Is Moved To April 8

Miss Louise Blue, office manager for the Hoke County office of the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Administration, announced yesterday that she had been instructed by telegram to extend the time for turning in cotton acreage not to be planted from March 25 to April 8.

Miss Blue asked farmers who may decide within that time that they have acreage allotments which they will not plant to please turn them in to the county committee so they may be allotted to other farms in the county. She again pointed out that the farmer really protects himself and his farm for the future by releasing acres not to be planted, as such acres will be entered in his farm history as if they had been planted, and that this would not be done where they were not released.

JAYCEES PLAN DANCE

The Raeford Jaycees have announced that they will hold a dance at the National Guard Armory on Saturday night, April 9, from 8:00 until midnight for the benefit of their civic activities. David Pugh and his orchestra will furnish the music, and the public is invited.

TO SING IN "CRUCIFIXION" SUNDAY



THOMAS HOWERTON



LAWRENCE SKINNER

Thomas Howerton of Southern Pines is to be featured as tenor soloist and Lawrence Skinner of Red Springs is to be featured as bass soloist in the community presentation of Sir John Stainer's cantata, "The Crucifixion," at the Raeford Presbyterian Church at 4:00 o'clock Sunday afternoon, April 3. The public is cordially invited to attend.

Mr. Howerton is administrator of Moore County Hospital and has done much solo work in that vicinity. He studied voice at Duke University and sang with the Duke Glee Club. He was also soloist with the Duke Chapel Choir and at the First Methodist Church in Durham. At present he is soloist at the Village Chapel in Pinehurst.

Mr. Skinner is head of the voice department at Flora Macdonald College and director of the col-

lege choral club. He received his B. S. in education, his B. M. in choral and church music, and his M. A. in vocal pedagogy from the University of Ohio. He has done much solo and oratorio work throughout the midwestern states.

The 52-voiced chorus is composed of local choir members and interested singers. Assisting the soloists will be Robert Gatlin, baritone, and Douglas Dixon, tenor. Mrs. Thomas A. Wood, local music instructor, is director for the cantata, and Mrs. Kerr Stevens, choir director and organist at the Raeford Presbyterian Church, is organist.

"The Crucifixion," a cantata depicting in a moving fashion the final events of the Master's life, is widely known as one of the most significant religious musical works and has a great popular appeal.

BAPTIST CHURCH PLAN REVIVAL APRIL 11-17

The Rev. James E. Baker, pastor of the Raeford Baptist Church, announced this week that a series of revival services was being planned for the church during the week of April 11-14, with the preaching being done by the Rev. James P. Carroll of Bamberg, S. C., and with morning and evening services being conducted. Further details will be given later.

MUSIC MEMBERSHIPS

Mrs. Clyde Upchurch, Jr., said this week that she was handling memberships in the Fayetteville Civic Music Association for this year. The association sponsors a series of at least four concerts each year, with admissions for members only. Mrs. Upchurch said that the memberships would not be available after Friday afternoon.

15-A Truck Stop Women Charged In Immorality Case

Two women were arrested by Sheriff D. H. Hodgkin and State Highway Patrolman J. T. Harris on Tuesday of this week on charges of operating a house for immoral purposes and soliciting for same. Both have been released under bond and trial has been set for the county recorder's court on April 12.

The women were arrested at "Jean's Truck Stop," a former filling station presently boasting no gas pumps and a few groceries and located just north of the Drowning Creek bridge at the Scotland County line some eight miles south of Raeford. The place has been talked about for some time by residents of the section and other parts of the county as probably being operated for immoral purposes, but this is the first legal action to be taken.

Jean Ellis, white, was charged with leasing and operating a house of prostitution, and her sister, Katherine Styron, is charged with aiding and abetting in this and with soliciting the illicit trade.

Each of the women posted a \$200 cash bond for her appearance at recorder's court on Tuesday, April 12.

Hoke High Loses To Rockingham Tues.

The Hoke High baseball team, coached by Archie Briggman, went to Rockingham Tuesday afternoon and lost to Coach Bill Eutler's Rockingham High team by a score of five to nothing.

Hoke High got only three hits off Rockingham Pitcher Malcolm Goodman. Bowling, McLeod and Thornburg each got a single, Thornburg in the first, McLeod in the fourth and Bowling in the sixth inning.

Rockingham got their five runs on six hits, one a triple by Pinch-hitter Dawkins in the sixth inning.

Robert Lisenby pitched the whole game for Hoke, striking out five and walking seven in the seven inning game.

Deane Announces Disaster Help For Peach Growers

Rep. Charles B. Deane of the Eighth Congressional District announced Tuesday that the Farmers Home Administration has authorized production emergency loans to peach growers in each of the peach growing counties of this District. These loans may cover purchase of seed and fertilizer for new crops, pruning, spraying and replacement of fruit trees, and other farming operations.

The Farmers Home Administration has taken this action to grant this emergency financial assistance on the basis of strong recommendations from state officials in Raleigh and the North Carolina Congressional Delegation in Washington. Both state and Congressional officials moved in quickly to assist the peach growers to recoup some of their losses suffered during the recent severe cold wave. It is believed that this FHA assistance will do much to help cold-stricken peach growers get a start in other crops during 1955 and will serve to tide them over in their farming operations.

Peach growers who are interested in making application for FHA production emergency loans should present their requests to the County FHA office.

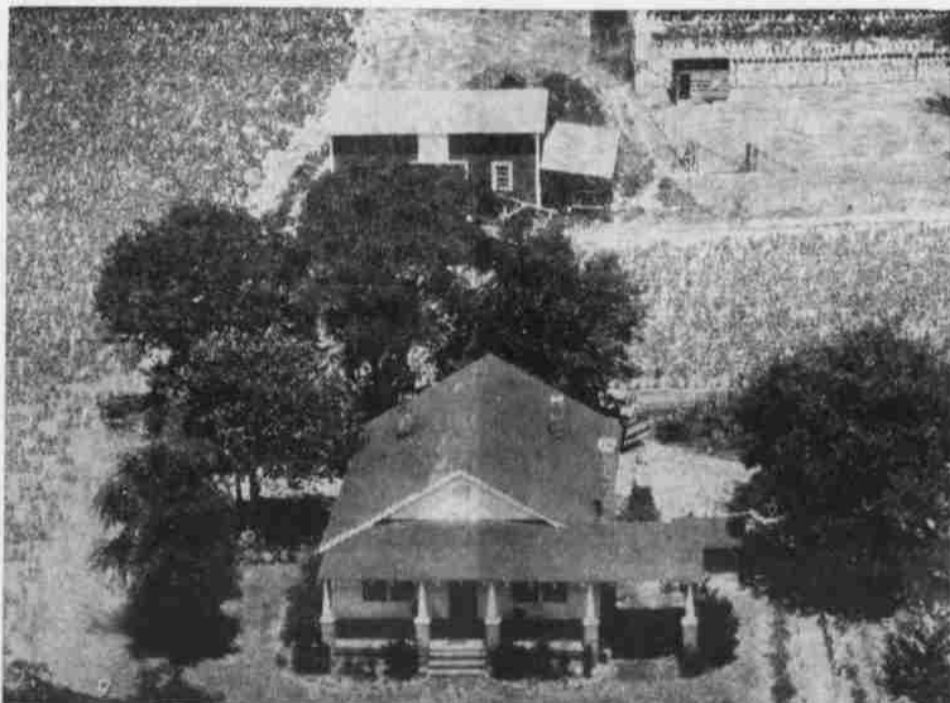
Mrs. Paul Whittington of Greensboro was a week end guest of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas N. McLauchlin.

Mr. and Mrs. David Falls of Raleigh visited Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Upchurch, Jr. on Thursday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh C. McLauchlin of Greensboro spent the week end with Mr. McLauchlin's mother, Mrs. H. C. McLauchlin.

L. S. Brock, Jr. of State College spent the week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Brock. He had as his guest, Ronnie Crow of Lexington.

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 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.

Living in Raeford are four of the boys, W. H., J. DeWitt, C. Frank and Luther J. Tapp. Mrs. H. E. Stinchcomb lives in Black Mountain, Mrs. D. H. Walters in Vass, Mrs. Mary Helton in Raeford and Mrs. J. Crawford Wright on Raeford, Route three.

Arch Tapp is a member of the Raeford Baptist Church, as is his stepmother, Mrs. Tapp. He raises tobacco, cotton, and grain on the 803-acre place and also has four other farms of 70, 97, 26 and 55 acres. He uses tractors for cultivation, and does some share-cropping. Hunting used to be his main hobby, but lately he has become mostly a fisherman.

Jim "bite of UNC, Chapel Hill spe. . . he week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dean White.