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## Addenda -

By The Editor

W. C. Williford, county farm agent, tells me that he had a letter today from the farm agent in Martinsville, Virginia, to the effect that most of the tobacco plants up there were killed by the late freeze, and that farmers are really in a bad way for them. Williford asked me to pass the word along, and said that if any tobacco farmers having excess plants would let him know he would make arrangements for the distressed Virginia farmers to get them. I told him I had heard some farmers here saying they needed plants, but he said he thought most of them had gotten what they needed by now, and that there might be some excess. Would be a good turn, I suppose, to help those folks out, and things like that usually come back to you.

I understand that Suzanne Cameron, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Cameron who won prizes in the Hoke High School and Flora Macdonald College science fairs, was winner of third place in the statewide science fair at Duke University. Her exhibit is undoubtedly outstanding, and if we can get it we'll try to have a description of it in the paper soon.

Lawrence McNeill, president of the Hoke Development Corporation, tells me that a large percentage of the locally owned stock was represented at the meeting last week. Results of the meeting were that an eight percent dividend on all stock has been paid, and all stock is being redeemed at face value by H. L. Gatlin, Jr., the corporation's treasurer. In view of the probability of another such project coming up in the future it was decided not to dissolve the corporation, but to retain its framework, officers and directors available for such a situation. . . . Might want to put up another building some time, or a swimming pool, or something else, and then stock could again be offered for the project without having to organize again. Similar corporations are being organized in other communities, and it seems wise to me that the one already organized here is not to be dissolved.

After having received complimentary press tickets many times to the stock car races on Friday nights at the Champion Raceway near Fayetteville, I finally decided to see what went on there, and went last Friday night. It was my first sight of any sort of auto racing, and I got quite a kick out of it. In case you know no more than I did it's a one-third of a mile banked asphalt track, the cars mostly appear to be about 1935 Fords, and most are coupes. The way the bodies and fenders were so bent up made an impression on me to start with, and I was not long seeing how they get that way. They really do travel around that thing, and frequently bump each other side-ways and bump into the outside wall, although I understand injuries are rare. Anyway, there were several thousand people there hollering, and before it was over I had me a car picked out and was hollering too. I enjoyed it almost as much as my four-year-old son, but not quite.

Must apologize to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Klutz and to their son, Roger, for mistakenly referring to him as Charles, Jr., last week, when all I had to do was look on the article to get his name right. I am sorry, and his picture is in this issue, with his name right, I hope.

Chamber of Commerce activity I meant to write about this week will have to wait another, as I have been unable to get together with President Jake Austin while he is out beating the bushes for hall insurance and I around on Elwood Avenue rubbernecking at Gus Speros and crew throwing up our new building. Never had a connection with a rising structure before, and I find I am about as bad for hanging around it as some others I have commented on in the past. . . . Gus is doing all the worry. (Continued on Back Page)

## Stores Say Mother Queen Of The May

Featuring values of every description in their individual advertising prior to Mother's Day on May 8, Raeford stores this week also got together in an ad on page five of this issue in which they stress the fact that Raeford has grown into a fairly complete shopping center, and that most things that can be purchased anywhere may now be bought here.

They also point out that along with the ability to find things the customer wants he can also have the pleasure of doing business with people he knows and trusts, and that the courtesy and attention one gets from dealing with neighbors are still to be had in full measure in the Raeford stores.

The promotion of gifts for Mother's Day has steadily increased in recent years, and this year it is apparently going to find the stores of Raeford well-stocked and ready.

## WOW District Meet In Laurinburg 4th

Thomas J. Gibson, district manager of the Woodmen of the World, has announced that the meeting of the seven-county Scottish Log Rolling Association would be held in the Woodmen Hall in Laurinburg on Wednesday, May 4, beginning at 4:00 p. m.

The afternoon session will include reports from some 22 Woodmen camps on their activities, as well as plans for future activities. About 35 county school bus drivers will be awarded WOW safe driving awards for completing one year without an accident.

The banquet session at 7:00 o'clock with the wives and families of the Woodmen also present, will feature an address by Judge D. E. Henderson of Charlotte, and will be the occasion of the fifth anniversary of the association. Banquet reservations may be made through the local camp secretary, Gibson said.

Mrs. H. C. Fisher returned to her home in Wilmington, Delaware Sunday, after a visit here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Gullege. Mrs. Gullege and Joe, Jr. accompanied her home for a visit.

Israel Mann spent several days this week in New York on a business trip.

Bill Sellars of Waverly, Ohio spent several days with his family here this week.

Tommie Upchurch is very ill at his home.

## Town Election Set For Monday

The town of Raeford will hold its bi-annual election for mayor and the five-man board of commissioners at the Town Hall next Monday, May 2.

Mayor Alfred Cole is unopposed in his effort to succeed himself, but there are eight candidates for the five seats on the board of commissioners. The entire board is seeking reelection. Members of it are Tom Cameron, A. V. Sanders, Marion Gatlin, Truman Austin and John K. McNeill, Jr. Also seeking seats on the board are Sam C. Morris, Julian B. McKeithan and Frank Culbreth.

City Clerk Robert Weaver reports that registration has been light for the election, and if the election goes according to those in the past the vote will be light. Mrs. Kate Blue Covington is registrar, and W. T. Walters and G. W. Cox are judges of election.

## Cancer Chairmen Appeal For Funds

Mrs. M. D. Yates and Mrs. L. W. Turner, co-chairmen of the Hoke County Cancer Crusade this year, made another appeal to the people of the county to support the crusade with funds this week. Congratulating the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis, they said "This good news demonstrates what research can accomplish when it receives proper financial support. Let us make certain that scientists in cancer research have all the money they need. It is our support which gives them the opportunity for great achievement."

"Let us raise our goal here in Hoke County so that dreaded cancer may be the next affliction to fall before the advance of science. Mail your contributions in this week, so the Hoke County report may be mailed the first week in May."

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Cameron, Misses Suzanne Cameron, Virginia McNeill, Lilmar Sue Gatlin, Delaine McFadyen, Carol McPhaul, Betty Kinlaw, Linda Phillips, Sonny Parks, Tom Cameron, Jr., Jimmy Peak, Bobby Tickle, Pat Kelly and Lewis Upchurch spent the week end at Myrtle Beach.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Howell and Miss Becky Howell of Ellerbe visited Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Howell, Jr. during the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmo Flannery have returned to their home in Johnson City, Tenn., after visiting Mr. and Mrs. John Flannery of McCain.



## Parker's Methodist Church Dedication Next Sunday; Bishop Peele To Preach

### Jaycee President Of State Speaks At Installation

Bill Henderson of Reidsville, president of the Junior Chamber of Commerce in North Carolina, stressed the duties and responsibilities of Jaycee members to their communities, State and Nation in an address to the members of the Raeford Junior Chamber at their annual installation meeting in the High School cafeteria Tuesday night. He also made a point of the opportunity for growth with a community in civic service work, and inspired his listeners to greater efforts for this community in the coming year.

About 50 Jaycees and their wives and guests enjoyed the supper of barbecued chicken and the program. Special guest was Roger Sheets, president of the Junior Chamber of Commerce of Red Springs.

Angus Currie was installed as president succeeding Peter McLean. New vice-president is Dave McMillan, Bud Deibler is secretary, Charles Hostetler is treasurer, Everett Ferrell corresponding secretary and J. Bion Brewer is director at large. Peter McLean was installed as State Director from the club.

### CHURCH OF GOD PLANS SINGING SERVICE SUN.

The Rev. John F. Oliphant, pastor of the Church of God, located in front of the Amerotron plant, has announced a special singing service for Sunday, May 1, at 2:30 p. m. He said that several different singing groups from other churches would take part, and that the public is invited.

### 44-Year-Old Church Was Once On Raeford Charge

On Sunday, May 1st, 11 A. M., Bishop Walter W. Peele of Laurinburg will preach at Parker Methodist Church, and will dedicate the present church building and furnishings. This church is located on Highway 15-A between Fayetteville and Raeford.

A basket dinner is to be served on the grounds following the service, and all friends and former members are invited to come with their baskets.

Parker Methodist Church was organized on January 29, 1911, by the Rev. J. W. Bradley, who was then pastor of the Raeford Circuit. This organization meeting took place in Glen Acre School House where the members continued to hold services until the first church was built. There were twenty-three charter members.

The following charter members are still active members of the Church: John L. Hobson, Hugh Hair, Willie M. Hair and Miss Maggie Hair.

The first trustees of the Church were Louis Parker, Gary B. Parker, Hugh Hair and Thomas Hobson. These men purchased one and one quarter acres of land from J. H. and Sarah K. Townsend in 1913 and made plans for the first church building. With the men of the church and community furnishing the timber and doing the work, the first building was completed and dedicated about 1915.

The first church building was remodeled and two Sunday School rooms were added during the early ministry of the Rev. E. C. Crawford. The old building became inadequate during the ministry of Mr. Crawford and plans were formulated and a building fund was started for a new church. The congregation and the building fund continued to grow during the ministry of the Rev. W. L. Maness.

Early in 1949, under the leadership of the Rev. P. O. Lee and the following members of the Building Committee - Ralph Plummer, Chairman, Louis Parker, E. G. Capps, John Parker and D. M. Ray, and with the help of the Duke Endowment, the present church building was started. The first service in the new building was held on December 18, 1949, with the Rev. B. P. Robinson doing the preaching. The Church paid off all indebtedness the last of 1952. In October 1952, the Parker Church was placed on the Parkton Charge with the Rev. N. P. Edens as Pastor.

The following have served the Church as ministers: J. W. Bradley, W. C. Smith, E. B. Craven, S. T. Moyle, J. T. Draper, B. P. Robinson, J. H. Frazelle, N. C. Yearby, W. F. Trawick, B. H. Houston, E. R. Clegg, E. C. Crawford, W. L. Maness and P. O. Lee. The present minister is the Rev. N. P. Edens.

Mrs. B. B. Cole, mathematics teacher at Hoke High school, said that 15 students had taken part in a math contest at the school, with Virginia McNeill winning first place and with Joan Gobeille and Suzanne Cameron in a tie for second. Virginia's entry has been entered in the State contest.

## To Hold Funeral At Galatia Friday For Mrs. Capps

Mrs. Florence Capps, 82, died Wednesday at her home on Route 3, Fayetteville. A lifelong resident of Cumberland County, she was the wife of the late J. H. Capps.

Surviving are five daughters, Miss Hattie Capps of the home, Mrs. D. B. Lockamy of Route 3, Fayetteville, Mrs. Doug Shaw of Fayetteville, Mrs. Foss Eldred of Lakeland, Fla., Mrs. J. J. Richmond of Rocky Mount; four sons, H. A. of Rocky Mount, Earl of Ahoskie, J. H. of Charleston, S. C., and J. A. Capps of Reidsville; 14 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a. m. Friday at Galatia Presbyterian Church. The Rev. Scott Turner, Jr., and the Rev. B. O. Shannon will officiate. Burial will be in the church cemetery.

## Observe National Music Week Here; Concert Tuesday

With a proclamation by Mayor Alfred Cole to start on, National Music Week, May 1-8, is to be given an active observance by the Chaminade Music Club here.

Feature of the week will be an organ recital by John Mueller, Flora Macdonald College professor, in the sanctuary of the Raeford Presbyterian Church on Tuesday night, May 3, at 8:15. The Chaminade club, sponsors, invite the public to attend.

Mr. Mueller received his bachelor's degree from Oberlin College in Ohio, his master's from the University of Michigan, and studied in New York with the head of the organ department of the Julliard School of Music. He came to Flora Macdonald in the fall of 1954 after serving three years in the Army.

Members of the Chaminade club will have a business meeting in the basement of the church at 7:30 p. m., preceding the concert.

**Proclamation**

In proclaiming Music Week Mayor Cole pointed to the fact that music is a source of pleasure, culture and entertainment for all people and contributes much to home, church, school and community affairs. He said the aims of Music Week are to advance the love of music and to increase performance of music by groups and individuals, to multiply opportunities for young talent and widen acquaintance with good music by American composers. He said he "therefore urges our citizens to take part in the educational and entertaining activities planned."

**Concert and Broadcast**

The Chaminade club chorus will present a program of sacred music over radio station WEWO in Laurinburg on Wednesday at 2:30 p. m. The chorus is under the direction of Mrs. Gower Crosswell and is accompanied by Mrs. J. H. Austin. The group will also present a concert in the Methodist Church on Sunday night, May 8, at 7:30 to which the public is invited.

## Seniors Give Play At Hoke High School Tonight At Seven

The Senior Class of Hoke County High school will present their play, the mystery comedy, "Hobgoblin House," in the school auditorium at 8:15 o'clock tonight, April 28.

Written by Jay Tobias, the play concerns an eccentric spinster who has rented a supposedly haunted house. Her attempt to keep two attractive nieces from marrying are complicated by ghosts, howling skulls and headless phantoms.

The cast consists of Carole Coberly, who stars as Miss Priscilla Carter, Carroll Scarborough as Darius Krupp, Joan McLeod and Faye Dark as the nieces, Don Tickle and Carson Clippard as their suitors, Carole Marshall as the housekeeper, Grady Butler as a servant, Janice Benner as the cook, Gerald Wright as "Bluebeard" Bronson, Dale Connell as a prison guard, Claudine Hodgin as a young girl, and the "Headless Phantom."

## Judge Stevens Concludes Term Of Court Tuesday

In the regular April term of civil and criminal Superior Court here this week 23 of the 38 cases on the criminal docket were cleared before Judge Henry L. Stevens of Warsaw, and one divorce was granted on the civil side. Trial of the other 15 criminal cases was postponed for various reasons. The session adjourned on Tuesday.

Largest single classification of charges was that of driving drunk convictions appealed from recorder's court. There were 12 of these, with four being dropped by the State, two being found not guilty by jury, one not guilty by the judge, three pleading guilty and two being found guilty, one by jury and one by the judge.

Driving drunk charges were dropped against Martin Scarborough, Paul H. Starnes and David C. Bean, all white. Charges of drunk driving, speeding and disorderly conduct against Calvin F. McBryde, Jr., were dropped by the State in the absence of State's witnesses and in consideration of the fact that he is probably entering the military service soon.

Jury found Charlie M. Welch and Willie F. Odum not guilty of driving drunk, and James L. Johnson was found not guilty in a direct verdict from the bench. All are white.

Erving Culbreth was found guilty of driving drunk by the judge, and Duncan Boyd Harris by a jury. Each was fined \$100 and costs.

Matthew J. Graham, colored, pled guilty of driving drunk. Sentence was one year on the roads, suspended on payment of \$100 and costs, length of sentence probably being longer than usual because he was given some time to complete payment. Walter J. Holt, white, pled guilty of driving drunk in two cases, and prayer for judgment was continued on condition of two years good behavior and payment of \$100 and costs in each case. William L. Bolton, white, pled guilty of driving drunk, and sentence was 90 days, suspended on payment of \$100 and costs.

State dropped a charge a year or more old of assault with a deadly weapon against William McDonald, colored.

Elmore Love, colored, pled guilty of assaulting Richard Graham with a deadly weapon. Sentence of eight months was suspended on two years good behavior and payment of \$50, costs, doctor bill and \$30 to Graham.

In the case in which four colored men were charged with breaking and entering and larceny at Johnson Cotton Company, Judge Stevens directed a verdict of not guilty as to Julius Arnold and Samuel E. Martin. Willie Arnold was found guilty as charged and was sent to State prison for from seven to 10 years. A charge of breaking jail against him was dropped. J. C. Sandy Blue offered no defense on the charge, and was sent to prison for from five to seven years.

The judge directed a verdict of not guilty in the case in which Duck McGougan, colored, was charged with assault with a deadly weapon with intent to kill.

Bond of \$50 was confiscated in the case in which Joseph E. Santa, white, was charged with speeding. George J. Kelly, white, had his prayer for judgment continued for two years on payment of \$15 and costs for speeding.

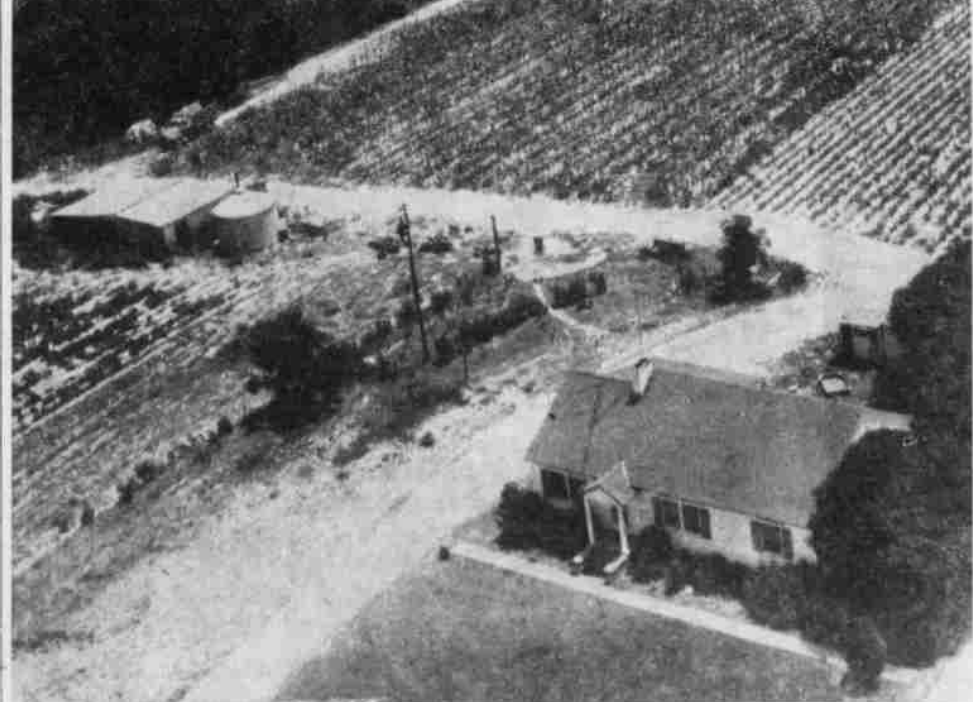
State dropped a charge of careless and reckless driving against Bennie W. Gregg, white.

## Judson Lennon Will Preach Here Sunday

The Rev. Judson Lennon, former pastor of the Raeford Baptist Church who is now preparing to go to Thailand as a missionary, will preach at both the morning and evening services at the church on Sunday, May 1, the Rev. James Baker, pastor, announced this week. The morning service will be at 11:00 o'clock and the evening service at 8:00.

Mr. and Mrs. Lennon are to spend the week end here seeing their friends before sailing to Thailand during the coming summer.

## 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.