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## Addenda

By The Editor

This county's people seem to be aware of their charitable responsibilities to at least a fair degree, although I suppose a complete awareness of such is seldom if ever achieved.

I refer to the United Fund Drive, completed recently, which Chairman J. H. Austin tells me reached its goal, and the March of Dimes drive, of which Mrs. Leo Little is chairman, which this week exceeded \$2,500, with more expected. I expect the burning of the barbecue at Antioch last week turned out to be a blessing in disguise. Word of something like that passes fast, and it may be that this served as excellent advertising in this case. At any rate, the folks really turned out for the most successful benefit of its kind in a great while.

Back to the United Fund. Austin says the money is in or promised but that the report is not quite in shape to publish. Seems a couple of large sources are certain enough to be counted on but haven't arrived yet.

Along the same line, the response of people of the county to their neighbors in need as a result of the rash of fires we have had this winter has been heart-warming also. At least one of two things I have often heard about small communities like this is certainly so—the one about your neighbors all helping you and sympathizing with you in time of trouble or distress. All you have to do to know this for sure is to experience sorrow or misfortune in any form. That's what makes me know that the worlds best people are here, and is why you'd have an impossible job getting me to leave.

The second of these things you hear is probably true, too. It's the one about all of us knowing most of each other's business and trying to find out that we don't know. Well, that goes along with us knowing each other, as people in bigger places don't, and in a large majority of cases our curiosity is just sympathetic interest anyway. Having more friends to talk to, people in small places have to have more subjects of conversation and the greatest such subject the world over, I suspect, is neighbors. Ain't it fun.

Interesting article in the Richmond (Va.) "News Leader" of January, 30 dealt with a former Raeford citizen who has become a leader in his field and successful from any point of view. The man is J. M. Stackhouse, principal of the Raeford Schools from 1923-27, who went on to become a pioneer in the field of educational films, known as Audio-Visual Education.

The article tells of Stackhouse's interest in films and educational movies while he was here, and quotes him to the effect that his interest in films as a highly educational medium began while he was principal here.

He has represented, at one time or another, most of the leading educational film companies, including Encyclopedia Britannica and Coronet, and has been the moving force behind programs of visual education in more than one State.

The development of audio-visual education in Virginia schools is told of and concluded with the opinion by Stackhouse that Virginia now has one of the best such programs in the nation—second only to California.

"Today, Stackhouse lives comfortably... (with) a competent manager for his retail photographic supply shop. In addition to his audio-visual travels in four Southern states, he spends a good portion of his time now traveling in other countries with his wife."

"In the past five years they've been to most of Central and South America, Alaska and Europe. Now they're planning a trip to the Far and Middle East... Because of his photographic diligence—he took 2,000 pictures in South America and 2,600 in Europe—Stackhouse has what he believes to be unequalled private collection of 3-D pictures."

Many folks here will be glad to learn the old professor is doing well and happy. I for one have fond, and not-so-fond, memories of him, and wish him nothing but the best.

## Governing Boards Hold Monthly Meetings Monday

The Hoke County board of education, the board of county commissioners and the board of commissioners of the Town of Raeford all held their regular monthly meetings for February on Monday or Monday night.

### County Commissioners

All of the county commissioners were present Monday morning, with Chairman J. F. McMullan presiding. This board approved the use of ceramic tile in the new health center instead of asphalt, at an increased cost of about \$250. They received a petition and recommended paving of the road in Little River Township known as Young's road, from the Long Point road at the Moore County line to Lobelia. Moore County commissioners were being asked at the same time to have the portion from the county line to Vass paved.

The board also authorized County Accountant J. W. McPhaul to proceed with the purchase of an automobile for use of the rural policemen.

Other matters, such as the paving of the parking area east of the courthouse, were discussed at some length but no other actions were taken.

### Board of Education

At its meeting Monday night the county board of education, with Chairman Neill McFadyen presiding, took action on the proposed "West Elementary School," for the Negro children of the western section of the county. They discussed the plans for this school with Architect Leslie N. Boney of Wilmington, and authorized him to proceed with the preparation of preliminary plans for a building to include 14 classrooms and necessary facilities. These plans are to be brought before the board at a meeting in about two weeks, and contract is to be let for the building in the early spring.

The board also plans the construction of fire towers and toilet rooms at the McLaughlin Elementary School in Raeford, with contract to be let at the same time.

### Town Board Meets

The regular monthly meeting of the town board was held Monday night with all members present and Mayor Alfred Cole presiding. The board considered bids on a pump for the town's new well, but postponed final action.

The board voted to install a street light at the corner of Jackson Street and Reeves Avenue. Police Commissioner A. V. Sanders was authorized to use his own judgment in filling the position of relief policeman until C. J. McNeill is able to return to work.

Clerk Robert Weaver was authorized by the board to negotiate the purchase of a truck for the use of town water department.

## Nixon Home Is Farm Picture

The farm home of Mr. and Mrs. H. B. "Pat" Nixon, nine miles west of Raeford, near the Turnpike road, was correctly identified as last week's mystery picture. First to name it right was Yvenit Locklear, also of Raeford. Route three, and first rural subscriber to make a correct guess was Mrs. W. L. McFadyen of Montrose. Mrs. Charlie Pendergrass and Mrs. Alvin Seaford were others.

The home is on what was formerly the D. Currie farm, 50.6 acres, and was purchased by the Nixons 20 years ago. Mrs. Nixon is the former Ola Collins, and both are from near Pilot Mountain in Surry County. They were married in 1923 and came to Hoke County in 1925.

Since buying the farm they have constructed all buildings on it, three tobacco barns, a pack barn, tool house and feed barn. They built the home shown in the picture in 1942.

The Nixons have three sons, James of Ashley Heights, Douglas of Raeford and H. B., Jr., of Raeford. They have two daughters, Mrs. Lucille Pendergrass and Mrs. Betty Lou Braverman of (Continued on Back Page)

## Phone Co. To Expand Cable Facilities Here

An estimated \$30,000 project to expand telephone facilities in several different sections of Raeford is scheduled to begin within the next two weeks.

This was disclosed today by T. P. Williamson, local manager for Carolina Telephone and Telegraph Company, who stated the company expects to complete the project during the early part of March.

According to Manager Williamson, the project will involve placing aerial cable facilities primarily along Prospect Avenue, Fifth Avenue, Sixth Avenue, Fulton Street, Harris Avenue, Main and other streets.

The new cable will replace existing overloaded cable facilities and will provide new and higher grade service to applicants and existing subscribers in many sections of Raeford.

## 5 Possible Locations For Church College: Red Springs Out

The Board of Trustees of the Consolidated Presbyterian College, after four days of meetings in Raleigh last week, selected Wilmington, Laurinburg, Rocky Mount, Fayetteville, and Lumberton for further consideration as the future location for the college.

The selection was made from a list of seventeen communities that have been seeking the college, all of them presenting their cases before the full board of Trustees after being visited by special committees during recent weeks.

William H. Neal, of Winston-Salem, Chairman of the Board, stated that the selection was a most difficult one for the Board to make.

"All of the communities seeking the college had much to offer. All of them made very effective presentations before our Board of Trustees. The response of all eastern North Carolina to the opportunity of securing the college has been phenomenal. There has never been anything like the sustained effort and organized campaigns of these communities."

"The Trustees gave consideration to all factors, not just to promised financial support alone. At no time have we attempted to place the college up for auction. We have sincerely sought to discover the place where it would best serve, where it would most likely have its fullest development, and where it would receive the continued support of the entire community."

"We spent the entire day in prayerful consideration of all the invitations and arrived at our selections only after full consideration and discussion. We sincerely trust that we shall continue to have the support and interest of the entire state as we seek to arrive at our final decision by March 6th."

## LUMBER BRIDGE FEED

The Lumber Bridge Presbyterian Church will have a barbecue and Brunswick stew supper at the church on next Thursday, February 16 for the benefit of their organ fund. Fred Russell, under the supervision of the Women of the Church and the board of deacons, will prepare the food, and serving will start at 5:30.

## BRIDGE WINNERS

The regular weekly game of the Raeford Duplicate Bridge Club was held in the Lion's Club room last Friday night. North-south winners were Mr. and Mrs. I. B. Hall of Fayetteville, followed by Mrs. J. L. McNeill and Mrs. N. A. McDonald of Raeford. East-west leaders were Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Cooper, with Mrs. C. L. Thomas and Mrs. Younger Snead. Mrs. Arch Graham and Mrs. Neill McFadyen tied for second. The game will start at 7:45 Friday night and will be for master points.

## LEGION TO MEET MON.

The regular monthly meeting and supper of the Hoke County Ellis Williamson American Legion post will be held Monday night at 6:30 at the Hoke High school cafeteria. Commander John D. McNeill urges all members to be present.

## Name Gatlin To Head Chamber Of Commerce For '56



MARION H. GATLIN

Marion H. Gatlin, local furniture dealer, was named president of the Raeford Chamber of Commerce at the meeting of the board of directors of the organization following the annual meeting of the members held at the High School cafeteria Friday night. Gatlin had been vice-president during the past year, and succeeds J. H. Austin as president.

About 50 members of the chamber were present at the meeting and enjoyed a supper prepared and served by Mrs. Lucy Smith and her luncheon staff. President Austin briefly reviewed activities during 1955, and called on various members to report on committee work. Treasurer J. W. McPhaul reported on the financial condition of the Chamber, indicating a bank balance of about \$1200. Much of the Chamber's budget during the year was spent in keeping the office open for the sale of State license tags, until it became apparent that the budget would not stand this and it was discontinued. Through the Chamber merchants' division the Christmas religious parade was also financed, Israel Mann reported.

J. L. McNeill reported on prospects for further industrial development of the community, and Neill A. McDonald reported on the progress of the attempt to organize a Credit Bureau, stating that less than \$700 of a goal of \$1500 to finance this had been raised. Marion Gatlin reported on the successful cleanup campaign conducted during the spring of last year.

Several members spoke briefly to the group on community projects to which the Chamber should give support.

New directors elected for three-year terms were J. W. McPhaul, Israel Mann, E. E. Smith and Paul Dickson. At the directors meeting Younger Snead was elected vice-president, E. E. Smith secretary and J. W. McPhaul was reelected treasurer.

The new president is the youngest of three sons of Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Gatlin. He graduated from Raeford High School and received his B.S. degree in education from North Carolina State College in 1935. Following his graduation he taught science and history in the Shalotte High School for seven years and was assistant principal there. He came to Raeford to enter a partnership with his brother, H. L. Gatlin, Jr., in the operation of Raeford Furniture Company in 1942, and has been here since.

He has an outstanding record as a member of the Raeford Kiwanis Club and is a former president. He has also been active in church, school and other civic work.

In December of 1938 he was married to Miss Gladys Frye of Shalotte. They have a daughter, Lilmar Sue, and a son, Harold, and live at 515 Fulton Street.

## Deane Files For Another Term

Congressman C. B. Deane of the Eighth N. C. Congressional District filed Saturday in Raleigh with the State Board of Elections for reelection to the U. S. House of Representatives subject to the Eighth District Democratic Primary Election, May 26, 1956.

Mrs. Archie McGill of Vass is spending several days with her sister, Mrs. J. M. Norton.

## World Day Of Prayer Observance Planned

Plans are being made locally to observe "World Day of Prayer" in this community on Friday, February 17, at the same time with most of the Christian world.

A joint prayer service will be held here, following a custom of several years, and this year it will be held in the Raeford Baptist Church, from 2:00 until 3:00 o'clock.

Mayor Alfred Cole has issued a proclamation that Friday, February 17, is a day of prayer in this community. In it he urges everyone to pause in their work on that day for a period of prayer and if possible to attend the joint service at the Baptist Church.

## Busy Day In Recorder's Court; Handle 60 Cases

Tuesday was another busy day in Hoke County recorder's court, as 60 cases were handled before Judge T. O. Moses. The usual proportion of these, more than 40, were on charges brought in by State highway patrolmen from the highways of the county. Others involved stealing, fighting, family difficulties and liquor.

James A. Currie, white, pled guilty of assault and got one year suspended on payment of \$25, court costs, doctor bill and two years good behavior.

James Currie, colored, pled guilty of assault and got one year to be suspended on payment of \$200, costs, \$40 doctor bill and two years good behavior. He went to the roads.

Luther McGirt, white, was found guilty of assault and went to the roads for a year.

Leroy Locklear, Indian, convicted of assault last week, was sentenced to one year in the Hoke County jail.

Carmen Locklear, Indian, pled guilty of stealing \$100 from Flora McLean. Sentence was six months, suspended on return of the \$100, payment of \$25 and court costs and two years good behavior.

Henry Morrison, colored, was found not guilty on a charge of assault.

Eddie Webb, white, pled guilty of driving drunk and was found guilty of receiving stolen property and went to the roads for 90 days. John W. Sprull, colored, got five months on the roads for driving drunk and careless and reckless driving. He couldn't pay fine, so went F. S. Thomas, white, was found guilty of driving drunk, speeding and careless and reckless driving. Sentence was five months, suspended on payment of \$150 and costs. H. C. Cameron, white, was found not guilty on a charge of driving drunk and violating the prohibition laws.

James Ferguson, colored, was found guilty of non-support. Sentence was eight to 12 months, to be suspended on payment of costs and \$30 monthly for his wife.

W. J. Overcash, white, left a \$25 bond for careless and reckless driving.

James A. Jones, white, for speeding and having no driver's license, got 90 days, to be suspended upon payment of \$60 and court costs.

Horace Morrison, colored, pled guilty of driving with an improper muffler and without a driver's license. He paid \$25 and costs.

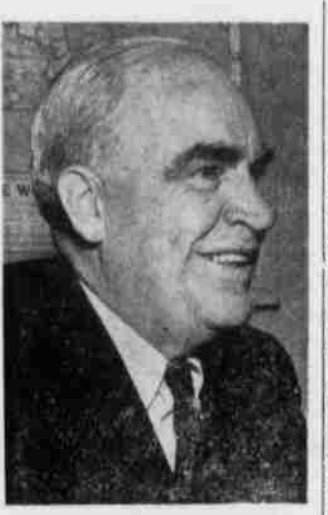
E. C. Pate, white, got 30 days suspended on payment of costs for public drunkenness.

George Spell, white, paid \$10 and costs for failing to transfer a car title within the prescribed time limit. David Dunn, Jr., paid costs for the same offense.

Two defendants paid costs for driving with improper lights and one paid same for driving an improperly registered car. For passing on a curve or hill, two left \$25 bonds, one a \$15 bond and one paid costs. One left a \$15 bond for driving on the left.

Two speeders paid \$85 and costs each, two paid \$40 and costs each, and one paid \$10 and costs. Three left \$40 bonds, nine left \$25 bonds, one a \$22 bond (all he had), and 12 left \$15 each.

## HODGES TO SPEAK AT McCAIN PRISON DIVISION DEDICATION



GOV. LUTHER H. HODGES

## Hoke Girls Win Two More; Bring Record To 14

In basketball games at Wadesboro Friday night and here against Southern Pines Tuesday night Coach George Wood's Hoke High girls team picked up two more victories to keep the season perfect so far with 14 wins.

In Wadesboro Friday night the Hoke girls had a comfortable 30-13 lead at the half and went on to win, 69-45. Guin was high with 30 points, followed by Gatlin with 16, Virginia McNeill with 13 and Morris with 10. Guards were Linthicum, Matthews and Shirley McNeill. Cates was high for Wadesboro with 25.

The girls had good competition from Southern Pines here Tuesday, as they trailed 28-22 at the half, but were leading 49-47 at the final gun. Guin scored 27 in this game, followed by Morris with 15, McNeill with five and Gatlin with two. Britt was high for Southern Pines with 22.

In the boys games, the Hoke boys lost to Wadesboro, 63-52. Koonce was high for Hoke with 18, followed by Upchurch with 12, Tickle with eight, D. Hendley with 7, P. Huffman with five and Culbreth with two. Wadesboro led 39-29 at the half.

Against Southern Pines Tuesday, the visitors won, 63-50 behind two high scoring forwards, Humphrey with 26 and Watkins with 18. Koonce was again high for Hoke with 13, followed by Tickle and Upchurch with 12 each, Culbreth six, D. Hendley four, and R. Huffman three. Southern Pines led, 36-25, at the half.

The Hoke teams play in Laurinburg Friday night, and will play the 71st teams here next Tuesday night.

## James H. Reynolds Funeral Held Sunday At Parker's Church

James Harrison Reynolds of this county died Thursday in Moore County Hospital after a lingering illness. He was 66 years of age.

Mr. Reynolds was the son of Mrs. Fannie Shouler Reynolds and the late James A. Reynolds of Surry County, and was a farmer. He was a member of Raeford Methodist Church.

Funeral service was conducted at Parker's Methodist Church at 3:00 o'clock Sunday afternoon by the pastor, the Rev. N. P. Edens of Parkton, and the Rev. William B. Heyward of Raeford. Burial was in Raeford cemetery.

Surviving are his wife, the former Lena Simmons of Mount Airy; one daughter, Mrs. John W. Ragan of Berkley Heights, N. J.; three sons, Harry L. of Richmond, Va., James Cecil and Herbert of this county; three sisters, Mrs. Reid Gammon, Mrs. Jim Lambert and Mrs. Ralph Tilley, all of Mount Airy; and three grandchildren.

Joe Gullledge spent the week end in Wilmington, Delaware with his daughter, Mrs. H. C. Fisher and family.

## Program In Auditorium Of Main Building At 2:00 O'Clock Wednesday

Governor Luther H. Hodges will make his first address in Hoke County when he comes to the Sanatorium at McCain next Wednesday for the dedication exercises of the newly-completed Prison Division of the Sanatorium. The exercises are to be held in the Main Auditorium at the Sanatorium and will start at 2:00 o'clock.

Carl C. Council of Durham, chairman of the board of directors of North Carolina Sanatoriums, will preside over the dedication exercise. The invocation will be delivered by the Rev. Eugene Bauer, chaplain of the Sanatorium at McCain, and the State Highway and Public Works Commission will be represented by A. H. Graham, chairman. William F. Bailey, director of prisons, will also appear on the program.

Dr. H. S. Willis of Chapel Hill, general superintendent of the North Carolina Sanatoriums, will speak for the Sanatorium, and the dedicatory prayer will be made by the Rev. Ray Gosnell, pastor of the Ashley Heights Baptist Church.

The new section, located on the south side of N. C. Highway 211, between the Main Sanatorium at McCain and the Negro Division, is completely modern in every respect, according to Dr. W. M. Peck, associate superintendent and medical director at McCain. It will provide facilities for 139 patients, both men and women, and will be known as the Prison Division of the North Carolina Sanatorium.

Following the dedication program, which will include the address by Governor Hodges, there will be a tour of the prison division by the Governor, Sanatorium and State officials, members of the board of directors of the State Sanatoriums and members of the North Carolina State Highway Commission.

The public is invited to attend the dedication service.

## March Of Dimes Is Hiked By Antioch Feed

The 1956 March of Dimes got its biggest lift so far from the barbecue and chicken salad supper given by the Antioch-Allendale Ruritan club at the Antioch Presbyterian Church last Friday night. This supper, which suffered the destruction of much of its barbecued pork on Thursday night, still managed to result in a profit to the polo campaign of \$698.69, Mrs. Leo Little, county chairman, reported today.

Mrs. Little said that the Allendale-Antioch contribution and others received since last week's report had brought the total now received to \$2,579.58. This is a rise of over \$1200 from the \$1,291.97 reported last week.

Changes or additions to contribution reports since last week included the Mother's March, \$414.43; Quewhiffle, \$250.30; Blue Springs, \$125; Rockfish, \$208.15; the white schools, \$552.14. W. C. Campbell, chairman of the drive in the Negro schools, states that it will end on Friday, February 17, following which the report will be made.

## Blue Springs Dance

E. C. Smith, Jr., Blue Springs chairman, reported that the second square dance, held at the community house Friday night, netted \$75, and that another would be held tomorrow night, with Ed McNeill and his string band again furnishing the music. A barbecue is being planned at the Wayside community house on February 17, Friday of next week, for the benefit of the drive. Other benefits will be announced when plans are complete, Mrs. Little said.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Teal and daughter of Fayetteville visited Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Teal during the week end.