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Addenda...

W. L. Poole, chairman of the Pioneer Events committee for the Golden Jubilee, has asked us to announce that in addition to those named a while back in the different communities together names of oldtimers and former residents Mrs. J. A. Jones and Mrs. Bill Jones would collect them in Stonewall Township.

A reminder of the two meetings of the Jubilee Belles at the courthouse at 4:00 and 7:30 today might be in order, too. The Belles say they are going to outdo the Brothers of the Brush in the crowd they have. That'll be going some, girls.

I didn't get quite the picture I wanted of Clarence Willis out at the armory Monday night, but there is still time. You can see from the ones we are running, though, that Castro would certainly feel at home out there at a drill period. They already wore the same type uniform and now with the brush, they're plumb gone.

And one more Jubilee item... The Raeford Woman's Club is handling the sale of the advertising in the Golden Jubilee Historical program, and they hope to get around in the next couple of weeks.

Last week's paper had an article about the swimming pool association's meeting at the Presbyterian Church at 7:30 tomorrow night, but the headline over it said Tuesday instead of Friday. If you were a little confused, it is still set for Friday.

If we got by a week with no worse mistake than that, I feel not too bad, because there is usually at least one that someone takes personally, and I don't really see how anyone could about the pool—at least when it was no worse than that and they got two mentions for the price of one... on credit.

Thanks to A. M. McBryde for a contribution to The News-Journal Cemetery Fund. You might start giving that subject some thought now, too, with spring just around the corner, and grass to be planted and cut.

Read the report on recorder's court and see if you don't find a many many time offender there getting a suspended sentence. Or am I wrong?

around... town

The "Brothers of the Brush" organization is adding members every day and it isn't hard to tell now who belongs. The growth of hair on the face seems to draw comment from every source.

Paul and I went up to Aberdeen this week and stopped by the Sandhill Citizen Office to see Cliff Blue. When we got to his office Forrest Lockey, well-known in this county, who was there and Cliff had a few remarks to make about Paul's beard and my mustache. Cliff said I looked like my Grandfather Sam Cameron with a mustache and Forrest agreed. Going back into the rear of the shop Jerry Thompson, long time employee of the newspaper, said with my mustache I looked like my Grandfather Morris. Now as best as I can remember my two grandfathers didn't look alike at all and Grandpa Morris was clean shaven, so I don't know who I resemble but my wife says I look a mess. Guess everyone around town in the great organization gets the same comments.

Bill Howell said he would give \$5.00 to the first person to give him the score of the baseball game that is advertised on the sign in the picture of Raeford Main Street running in the paper this week, including his score in 1908. I don't know who can move who is right if more than one score is turned in.

A show that most sportsmen in this community would certainly like to attend this week, through Sunday is the Fourth Annual Sportsmen's Motor Boat and Vacation Show of the Car. It will be held at the (Continued on Page 6)



CASTRO is who the local National Guardsmen are saying First Sergeant Clarence M. Willis, looks like in his fatigue uniform when he and the others were snapped with their beards and uniforms. There were six in the picture, but somebody cut it up and scattered them around the paper in urban pairs. PD Pic.

Hoke Teams Win Last Games Here

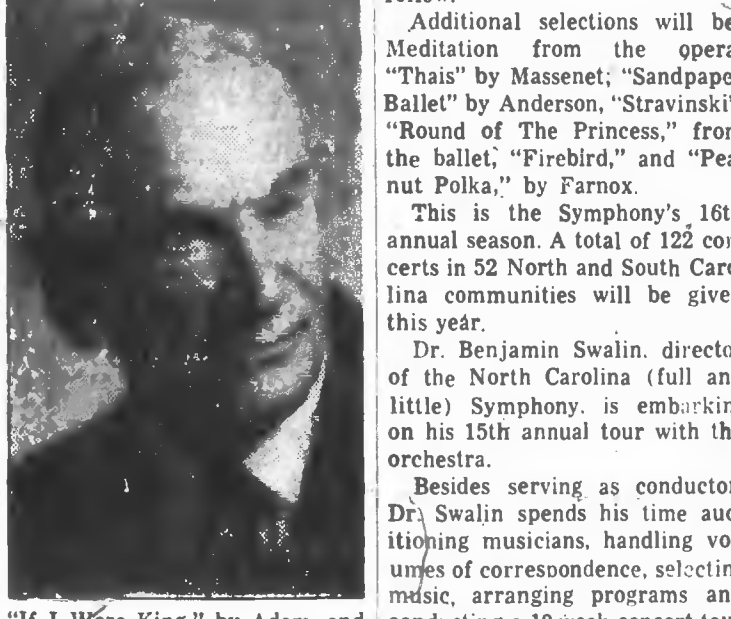
Hoke's Bucks dropped their non-conference game with the Campbell College freshmen here Friday night, but added a conference victory over Lumberton in their last regularly scheduled game on Tuesday, also on the home court. The girls also beat Lumberton.

Against Campbell the Hoke boys stayed close throughout the first half, trailing one point, 34-33, at halftime. The college team put on the steam in the second period, though and took the contest, 70-62.

Bill McPhaul was high scorer for Hoke with 23 points, followed by Upchurch with 22 and Phillips with 17. Campbell's high man was Jackson with 25.

Little Symphony Here Next Thurs.

Raeford's first presentation of the North Carolina Little Symphony to take place here March 2, at the Raeford Elementary School will feature music from Rodgers' "Carousel," as well as from the more classical opera.



Dr. Benjamin Swain, director of the North Carolina (full and little) Symphony, is embarking on his 15th annual tour with the orchestra. Besides serving as conductor, Dr. Swain spends his time auditioning musicians, handling works of correspondence, selecting music, arranging programs and conducting a 12-week concert tour which involves thousands of travel miles and more than five score concerts annually. He also supervises financial arrangements for the maintenance of both the Full and Little Symphony and a diversified staff. Working always by his side is his talented wife, Maxine Swain.



THE NEEDLE is what Dr. K. M. Lewis, veterinarian, is giving this pooch at the rabies clinic, while Hoke Dog Warden Leslie Irion does the holding. This is not the one that took a piece of Irion's hand. Pic By PD III.

Name McFadyen To Committees Of Legislature

Neill L. McFadyen, representative of Hoke County, has been appointed to one of the most controversial committees to come up during the 1961 General Assembly.

He was named early this week to the Manufacturers and Labor Committee which will make recommendations as to whether the minimum wage law will be raised from the present 75 cents per hour. Rep. Joe Watkins of Granville County is chairman of the committee.

Other committees to which House Speaker Joe Hunt has appointed McFadyen are, Conservation and Development, Agriculture, Education, Banks and Banking, Insurance, Appropriations, Institutions for the Blind, Water Resources and Control, and Library.

The Water Resources and Control is a new committee.

Revival Set For Next Week By Local Methodists

The Rev. Marquis W. Lawrence, district superintendent of the Goldsboro District of the North Carolina Conference of the Methodist Church, will be Revival preacher at the Raeford Methodist Church, February 28 through March 3. First service will be Sunday morning and they will be held each evening through Friday.



The Rev. Mr. Lawrence came to the Goldsboro district from the Trinity Methodist Church in Durham. He received his A. B. degree from Duke Divinity School and is a native of North Carolina.

Recognized as a leader of the North Carolina Conference, he has served for many years as counselor, teacher and dean at the Louisburg Older Youth Assemblies. He is now serving as a trustee of the Methodist Retirement Home and of Louisburg College. He was a delegate to the Southeastern Jurisdictional Conference in 1956 and 1960 and was an official visitor to the World Council at Lake Junaluska in 1956. He visited historic shrines of Methodism while attending the Ecumenical Conference in England, and has toured the Holy lands and the West Indies on other occasions.

Townsend Store At Rockfish Burns Friday Night

O. L. Townsend's Store and service station at Rockfish was burned to the ground Friday night. The entire contents were lost.

Townsend, according to Sheriff D. H. Hodgin, said that when he reached the building at 3 a.m. fire was breaking through the door and he was unable to enter and salvage any of the stock. The Raeford Rural Fire Department went to the scene but arrived too late to save any portion of the building.

Cause of the fire or the amount of damage has not been determined.

Guy Phillips To Speak Here To District Group

District 8 of the North Carolina School Boards Association, will meet at the Hoke County High School Cafeteria, Thursday, March 2. Dewey W. Huggins, Jr., principal, announced.

Registration of those attending and a tour will take place from 6 to 6:30 p.m.

Dr. Guy Phillips, a member of the State Board of Education, will be guest speaker.

Dr. Phillips, known to be active in school work for the past 40 years, has for some time been dean of education at the University of North Carolina, where he is a professor of education. He is also dean of summer school at the University.

Huggins said that between 150-175 school men and women are expected to attend the dinner meeting.

Schools from Harnett, Hoke, Lee, Montgomery, Moore, Richmond, and Scotland counties, as well as from the city units of Hamlet, Laurinburg, Pinehurst, Rockingham, Sanford and Southern Pines, will be represented.

Annual Meeting Of United Fund To Be Held Tuesday

The annual meeting of the United Fund of Hoke County will take place Tuesday, Feb. 28 at 7:30 p.m. at the Courthouse.

John Campbell, president, said that matters of business would include the election of new directors and the changing of the organization's constitution.

The Hoke County chapter of the United Fund has advanced from a \$5,000 to a \$16,000 budget during its years of existence.

Hoke Leads State In Woods Burning

BY James A. Pippin District Forester

Forest fires in Hoke County have reached critical proportions this year. Since January 1, 1961, 33 Hoke County forest fires have burned over approximately 2164 acres. Most of these fires have occurred in the vicinities of Bowmore, Antioch, and Dundarrach, and were apparently caused by people in these areas attempting to burn off bays and fields.

Some particularly large and destructive fires are listed as follows: January 6, 158 acres on the C. A. McLeod Estate; January 8, 128 acres on G. Q. Lytle's land; January 8, 66 acres of Z. V. Pate, Inc.; January 9, 48 acres of James Butler and Z. V. Pate, Inc.; January 11, 125 acres of J. A. Hodgin and Cecil McPhaul land; January 11, 71 acres of W. Stanley Crawley; January 12, 95 acres of W. Stanley Crawley; January 13, 28 acres on Mrs. Betsy McCormick's land; January 13, 21 acres of T. F. McBryde; January 14, 25 acres on G. B. Bostic's land; January 25, 41 acres of J. W. Hasty and McNair Farms, Inc.; January 25, 67 acres of J. M. McGougan and W. G. Marley.

These are just a few of the forest fires on N. C. Division of Forestry records for January, 1961. During the period of February 16-19 several more extremely serious fires burned and destroyed Hoke County woodlands, one of these reaching a size of 450 acres before it was finally brought under control. More information concerning these and other fires will be published later.

The number and size of forest fires occurring in Hoke County far exceed that of any other county in North Carolina. A great deal of damage has been done to Hoke's young forest stands and planted seedlings. While the fires were probably set with the intent of burning briars, brush and grass out of bays or fields, this year's unusually dry weather has caused the flames to spread out of the lowlands into very valuable timber stands where they caused severe damage. Several barns and outbuildings have also been lost to these fires.

Highway Race Ends In Death For Hoke Youth



Wreck Injuries Feb. 5 Cause Death Of Man

Dan Ferguson, 84-years-old colored man who was hurt in a wreck near the Catholic Church south of Raeford on the afternoon of Sunday, February 5, died in a Fayetteville hospital at about 7:00 o'clock Saturday, February 18, from the injuries.

He was a resident of the Bowmore community in Blue Springs Township and had been carried to Memorial Hospital in Chapel Hill after the wreck, with a neck injury, and was later brought to Fayetteville.

Ferguson was a passenger in the car driven by Needham McBryde colored, 79, also of Route One, Raeford, which ran into the back of Timothy McPhatter's car which had stopped preparatory to turning left into the filling station there.

McBryde had been charged with reckless driving by J. E. Dupree, the investigating State Highway Patrolman, with trial having been postponed because of Ferguson's condition.

Ferguson's death was the second traffic fatality of 1961 in Hoke County.

3 Wrecks Occur Mon. and Tues.; 1 Serious Injury

A hit and run wreck Monday night and two wrecks Tuesday morning have been reported by State Highway Patrolman E. G. Inman. One of the Tuesday wrecks involved a school bus and the other caused the only injury of the three. All were in Hoke County south of Raeford.

Hit and Run Monday

On Monday night Mrs. Archie Howard of Antioch community was going southeast on the Raeford-Lumber Bridge road, N. C. 20, when a car coming from the Gold Hill road about three miles from Raeford failed to stop, hit the right rear of her car and kept going.

The car is believed to be a 1959 Ford, blue with white top. It had not been located yesterday. About \$200 damage was done to the Howard car with no personal injuries.

School Bus Hits Car

At 7:30 a.m. Tuesday there was a wreck between a school bus and a car at the intersection of two county roads about 300 yards west of the Raeford-Red Springs road three miles south of Raeford.

Inman said that it was reported to him that James Sandefson, white, of Red Springs, Route 3, had stopped at a stop sign at the intersection when the school bus, driven by Marion Hollingsworth, colored, 17, cut too short in making the turn and struck Sandefson's car doing about \$300 damage to the car and about \$50 to the bus.

Inman charged Hollingsworth with driving on the wrong side of the road.

Wreck Near Maxton

Also on Tuesday morning, at about 8:00 o'clock, Robert Milton Horne, 22, white man of Maxton, (Continued on Page 6)

F. K. Watson, Jr., Dies; Another Seriously Hurt

F. Knowlton Watson, Jr., 17, died shortly after being carried to Scotland Memorial Hospital Tuesday night after a wreck about three miles inside the county on the Red Springs-Duffie road. Edward Hector Currie, 16, was thought to have a broken neck from the same wreck and was carried from the Laurinburg hospital yesterday afternoon to Memorial Hospital, Chapel Hill.

The wreck took place at about 9:00 o'clock Tuesday night, according to State Highway Patrolman E. G. Inman, who investigated, and Inman says boys who were in one of the two vehicles involved told him they were racing.

Young Watson was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Watson of the vicinity in which the wreck occurred, and his father was at one time chairman of the Hoke County commissioners. He was driving a 1959 GMC pickup truck with Currie and James Henry McGougan, also 16, as passengers. The other vehicle, a 1956 Ford, the patrolman said was being operated by Bobby R. Creech, 17, of RFD 4, Red Springs, accompanied by Jerry Gattis, 16, of Red Springs. All involved were white.

Currie is the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Currie of Allendale Township, the patrolman said. Inman said that the vehicles were racing south, in the direction of Red Springs and that Watson, in the lead, apparently lost control of his vehicle in a slight curve near the Jim McPhaul place. The truck ran off the road on the right, skidded across and off on the left, then across and off on the right and into a tobacco barn being out of control for a total of 650 feet. He said that the truck was destroyed and that about \$500 damage was done to the barn in addition to the death of one of the boys and the serious injury of another.

Watson suffered a crushed chest and head injuries which proved fatal. McGougan, the third passenger, was taken to the hospital with what was thought to be a broken back, but the hospital said yesterday that he was not seriously hurt.

Trailing the Watson vehicle Creech lost control of his truck in avoiding hitting the Watson truck when it went out of control. His Ford went off the road on the left and turned over against a fence. Neither he nor Gattis were hurt.

The patrolman said that the boys who were able admitted to him that they were racing, and that Bobby Creech had been charged with racing and reckless driving.

Inquest Friday Night

Dr. William Barry, Hoke County coroner, has investigated the accident, and has set an inquest for 7:00 o'clock Friday night in the county courthouse.

The death of young Watson brought to three the number of fatalities from highway accidents in Hoke County in 1961, the same number in seven weeks as there were in all 1960.

Funeral 10:00 Today

Funeral service is to be conducted at 10:00 o'clock this morning at Red Springs Presbyterian church for Knox Watson, Jr., and burial is to be in Alloway Cemetery in Red Springs.



PAY is what Bill Howell is going to have to do for the next advertising he gets, but this picture in 1908 shows the same building the drug store is in now, although the rest of the street and the surrounds seem to have changed a mite.