

news notes from QUEWHIFFLE

We wish to express our sympathy to Mrs. Helen Womble in the death of her mother, Mrs. O. Deloache of Savannah, Georgia, Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Hoyt Badgett of Ararat spent the weekend with the James Nixons.

RALPH HUFF:

We also wish to express our sympathy to Catherine and Lewis McKenzie in the death of their father, Murphy McKenzie of Wagram, Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. D. R. Huff Jr. gave a party for Ralph's 14th birthday at their home. Thirty of his eighth grade class-mates were present. Cookies, Cokes and potato chips were served after he opened his many nice gifts.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Van Huff and son, Tommy, of Greensboro were Sunday visitors of the D. R. Huff, Jr's.

H D CLUB MEETS:

Mrs. C. R. Dunn of West End spent part of last week with Mr. and Mrs. Marcus Thompson.

The Ashmont Home Demonstration Club met at the home of Mrs. Ed Bowling Wednesday afternoon with 16 members present.

Mrs. Edith Nixon and Mrs. Mandell Lucas remain patients at Moore Memorial Hospital.

The meeting was called to order by the president Mrs. Bessie Strother. Mrs. Ed Bowling and Mrs. W. W. Bobbitt had the devotional. Miss Hall gave the demonstration on "bathroom planning". The hostesses, Mrs. Bowling and Mrs. Bobbitt served refreshments consisting of cookies,

potato chips and Cokes at the close of the meeting.

Attending the Lumber Production Credit Association Annual Stockholders meeting at Red Springs on Saturday were the following from this community: R. D. Strother, Sr., R. D. Strother, Jr., Charlie Pendergrass, Ed Barnett, Mrs. Ruby Thompson, and Mrs. Edith McBryde. Each member was given a ticket as they entered for a drawing on door prizes. Mrs. Thompson's ticket was drawn for a 1/2 ton fertilizer from the Livery Manufacturing Co., of Red Springs, and R. D. Strother Sr.'s ticket was drawn for a tire from some place in Laurinburg.

The Ashmont Civil Defense Education School got off to a good start on Tuesday night. Anyone not attending should plan to attend some of these school classes.

Family Night Supper

Shiloh Presbyterian Church congregation will have a family night supper at the Montrose Community House beginning at 6:30 on March 25th. Beginning around 7:30 p.m., or after supper, the Rev. David McLean, a missionary from St. Andrews College, will speak and show films on some of his work. Friends and neighbors are invited to attend.

Mr. and Mrs. Kelly Blake, Jan and Jerry, visited Mr. and Mrs. Bob Moore and children and Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Almond of West End on Sunday.

The Brotherhood of the Ashley Heights Baptist Church will meet at the Ashley Heights Baptist Church Friday night at 8:30 p.m.

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Roy Vanhoy is a patient of the John Umstead Hospital of Butler.

A. E. A. Rodney Pickler called home on Monday night. He said he would be leaving Charleston on Tuesday morning for San Diego, California, where he will be stationed. Jack Pickler, his brother, is stationed in San Francisco, California.

Mrs. Allene Creed and daughters, Glenda and Sherry, of Southern Pines, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Mays.

Soybean Industry Healthy

The continued good health of the soybean industry in the United States has been forecast.

Robert W. Judd, managing director of the National Soybean Crop Improvement Council, says soybeans may surpass both wheat and cotton in value of the national crop within the next decade.

Speaking before the annual meeting of the N. C. Crop Improvement Association and the N. C. Foundation Seed Producers at North Carolina State, Judd said, "The years 1961, '62 and '63 have been the three largest for soybean production in U. S. history. . . however, even with this increase, there will be less than five per cent of one year's production carried over when the 1964 crop harvest begins."

The industry, which North Carolina practically gave birth to in this country in 1915, has grown to rank among the largest of the nation's agricultural industries.

Domestically produced soybeans were first processed into meal and oil in 1915 at a cottonseed mill at Elizabeth City. Since that time the soybean has become the nation's fourth most valuable cash crop.

The 1963 U.S. corn crop is valued at \$4.5 billion, wheat \$3.1 billion and cotton \$2.9 billion. Judd said American farmers will receive about \$1.8 billion for the 701 million bushel soybean crop.

"I predict soybean will rise above wheat in the next three years, Judd told his audience. "It is conceivable that within the next 10 years our cotton crop will become less valuable than the surging soybean," he added.

Soybean production has tripled in the last 15 years, from the 234 million bushels produced in 1949. In North Carolina—the state that led in production until the mid-1920's—the crop has expanded as much as the national rate within the last 15 years, but the state's acreage expansion rate is below the national average.



GREEN CANDLE -- Raeford Kiwanians are urging local citizens to light "Green Candles of Hope" on Easter morning for the oppressed people of the world. Posters proclaiming the program have been distributed downtown. Marion Gatlin is shown here with one of the posters.

Candles Termed Symbol Of Hope

Each year at Easter time throughout the world green candles are lit in symbolic hope for the oppressed people of the world. This year the Raeford Kiwanis Club will join in the ceremony.

The club has asked that citizens of Hoke County unite with them in this expression of freedom. The Support of Churches committee headed by Marion Gatlin, chairman, is busily distributing posters asking every home to light the Green Candle of Hope on Easter morning.

Gatlin said that the people behind the Iron Curtain know that open resistance against orders is futile. Yet, they have acquired skill in outwitting the regime. They now celebrate the "festival of the fir tree" by lighting a single green candle on their trees. They chose green because it is the color of hope. They want to feel that they are no longer abandoned.

The custom of lighting a green candle is no longer confined to Christmas. The hopeful now

place a single green candle on their table at Easter. They call it the candle of hope and resurrection. Iron Curtain refugees are spreading the idea of the green candle of hope all over the free world. Their philosophy is, "We who live in freedom shall retain our freedom; those who have lost their freedom shall regain their freedom."

"At this coming Easter season the Raeford Kiwanis Club requests that you place a green candle on your table. These will turn into powerful flood lights of warmth and sympathy that will shine into prisons, concentration camps and dreary homes of the oppressed masses behind the Iron Curtain," said John Manuel, Kiwanis president.

Next Thursday the club will dedicate its program to this cause with J. W. Canady in charge.

Latin Students To Attend Meet

Twenty local high school students, accompanied by Mrs. Arthur D. Gore sponsor, will attend the North Carolina Junior Classical convention at Chapel Hill on Saturday, March 21.

Gwen McNeill is being sponsored as a candidate for secretary of the State Classical League.

The league is composed of several thousand North Carolina students of Latin. Approximately 1,700 members will attend this meeting of the young classical group.

Dr. Albert Suskin, head of the UNC department of classics, will be host at the convention and Dr. B. L. Ullman, UNC Kenan Professor Emeritus of classical languages and literature, will be the featured speaker.

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