



WINNING YARD - The clean-up campaign award for Yard-of-the-Week went to the A.E. McGirt home on East Prospect. Next week, southeast Raeford will be emphasized and the Yard-of-the-Week award will go to a home in that area.

Hoke County Workers Retiring Earlier

(Special to The News-Journal)

NEW YORK, Apr. 11 - In Hoke County, as well as in most other communities across the country, "non-work" is one of the fastest growing occupations today.

Counted in the non-work class in the local area are those able-bodied males over age 14 who are neither working nor looking for work nor going to school.

For the most part they are people who have acquired sufficient resources or financial backing to enable them to not work, many of them at a comparatively early age.

Although there are some shirkers among them who rely upon the rest of society to provide for them, the great majority are quite different. Because their funds are adequate for their needs they don't have to work and they don't choose to do so.

In Hoke County, the number of men in this non-work group is estimated, on the basis of statistics from the Department of Labor and the Department of Commerce, at about 860. The number in that category in 1960 was 641.

Throughout the United States at the present time there are 8.5 million men in this non-work population. Of those who are over 65, three out of four have retired. The others in that age bracket are still working.

The proportion of non-workers among those over 65 is 22 percent greater than it was in 1960.

In Hoke County there are many more men who are over 65 and no longer working than there were ten years ago. At that time the total was 247.

What do they live on? Outside of savings, interest, dividends and other income from investments that they might have, their main source of funds is from government "transfer payments."

These include social security benefits, pensions, the proceeds of life insurance policies, veterans benefits, unemployment insurance and the like.

Because retirement has become easier, financially, the proportion of non-workers to workers has been rising.

In the local area, on the basis of the latest figures, an estimated 17 percent of the male population over 14 is now in the non-school, non-work category. The comparable percentage in 1960 was 13.

Elsewhere in the United States, the non-workers represent 14 percent of the total.

Farm Items

By W. S. Young & T. S. Baker
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Tobacco growers should be checking their plant beds every day for any signs of disease. These showers that we have been having this past week plus the cool nights are ideal for blue mold spread. Earlier in the week some symptoms showed up on some beds on Route 1, Red Springs. Plants were sent to the lab and it showed no disease present. It was diagnosed as weather fleck in the plant beds. This is very unusual and according to Mr. Furney Todd this is his first knowledge of it being in the plant bed. Some flecks occur on large tobacco in the summer and it is caused by a substance called Ozones that comes out of the air in polluted areas. Most plants will grow out of the damage but it scares you to death when it hits.

Growers are encouraged to find out their troubles as they occur and also to use a preventative measure until transplanting time. Remember that strong disease free plants are the best to set in the field.

We are approaching the season for insects to attack pine trees. The pine tip moth and the different kinds of pine beetles are the most destructive. Trees must be checked often to see the damage. Resin coming out of the tree near the base and dried resin on the outside bark is a good indication that your trees have been attacked. Early detection can sometimes help to save your trees. Trees die fast due to the insects stopping the nutrient supply, by tunneling through the sap area just under the bark.

Chemical control of the beetles can be done with lindane. Three to five tablespoons of lindane per gallon of water or fuel oil is the proper rate. Oil will soak the material through the bark and will do an effective job of killing the beetle.

Rockfish News

By Mrs. A. A. McInnis

The Training Union of Tabernacle Baptist Church at Rockfish had a study course for a few nights the first of this week. The Bible book of James was taught by the pastor, the Rev. Carl Strickland.

Gideon R.B. Stokes of Raleigh spoke to the Parker Church congregation last Sunday a.m. The Gideons were holding a convention in Fayetteville and some of them were asked to speak at some of the churches in the Fayetteville area. The auxiliary of Gideons served lunch to the Gideon laymen in Fayetteville when they returned from their Sunday a.m. assignment.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. McInnis and their daughter, Mrs. Charles Proctor and sons David and Billy visited his mother Mrs. Mary McInnis and his brother Thomas McInnis Sunday p.m.

Mrs. Julian Barnes, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Plummer, Mrs. Floyd Monroe and grandson Mike Gillis, Mr. and Mrs. T.C. Jones, Mrs. J.D. Matlock, Thomas Ray and others from this area attended the concert at Raeford Presbyterian Church Sunday night and they all thought it was wonderful.

Mrs. Floyd Monroe went to a "quilting" at Mrs. E.T. Collins home last Tuesday. It was one of the old-fashioned quiltings where several women go and spend the day quilting until they finish the quilt or get it so nearly done the hostess can finish it. The women really enjoy talking as they quilt.

Mrs. A. A. McInnis and son Thomas visited Mrs. Clyde Collier and other relatives at Lake Waccamaw last Saturday. They failed to find the marker that had been erected at the lakeside several years ago to Captain Powell, Mrs. McInnis' great grandfather, Absalom, who served in the Revolutionary War and was at the Battle of Moores Creek bridge.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Monroe were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Wood and children, Debbie and Clyde last Sunday.

James Koonce of Cumberland was a guest of Mrs. Dave Koonce and Mrs. Dan Bradshaw Sunday p.m. Mrs. Koonce heard from her husband who is at Veterans Hospital Durham and there is a possibility he may be sent to McCain.

Mr. and Mrs. Laurin McColl of Red Springs visited his mother Mrs. S.N. McColl Sunday p.m.

Some of Mr. and Mrs. L.B. Bundys children who visited them last Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Bundy and son Robert of Route 3, Fayetteville.

Mr. and Mrs. James E. McInnis and her mother Mrs. Coleman Salter were dinner guests of his mother, Mrs. Mary McInnis Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. William Wright had all of their children and grandchildren as their dinner guests last Sunday. They were Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Miller and children Kim and Pat, RD2 and Mrs. Bobby Tatum, Mr. and Mrs. W.G. Wright Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wright and son, Frank Aubrey, James, Neill and John, RD2 Bobby Tatum of Portsmouth, Va. left for Cuba Tuesday.

Sgt. and Mrs. Alford Hendrix and three children recently moved into one of Mrs. McColls houses near her home.

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. A.A. Ray the past Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Edward Pollard and their son and daughter - in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Mickey Pollard of Greenville, Mrs. Micky Pollard is the former Patricia Evans and granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ray. She stayed until Thursday with her grandparents.

Mrs. Rowland Smith of New Orleans, La. is making a ten day visit to Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Ray, Mr. and Mrs. A.A. Ray, Mrs. Willa Parker, Miss Caroline Parker, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Neeley and other relatives. Mrs. Smith is a daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. A.H. Ray and a sister of Bruce Ray.

Mrs. Brown Hendrix, Jr. of Lumberton, Misses Jane and Marilyn Barnes and Mr. and Mrs. L.B. Dees spent last Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Donnie King of Henderson.

Mrs. R.W. Posey, Mrs. Marshall Newton and Mrs. R.D. Parker attended the Grange meeting at Montrose Monday night from Wayside Grange.

Mr. and Mrs. June Rogers and sons Craig and Keith spent the weekend in South Carolina. Mrs. Nelia Brock is spending this week at the beach.

Mrs. Will Monroe did not know that she individually owned a mule until she saw in The News Journal last week that her mule had died. It is good that we can laugh at some of our mistakes.

Mr. and Mrs. Stacy Hobson of Wayside visited Mr. and Mrs. Howard Hobson of Lumberton last Sunday. They also visited Mr. and Mrs. Rob Hobson of Red Springs.

The people of this community were sorry to hear of the death of Rudolph Baxley who died unexpectedly at his home in St. Pauls last Sunday a.m.

Guests of Mrs. Jim Reynolds last Saturday were Mrs. Blue and Mrs. Bessie Jessup of Vass.

Mrs. Mattie Hollingsworth and her daughter, Mrs. L.E. Reaves of Fayetteville visited Mrs. Reynolds Sunday.

The community extends sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. Joe Lovette in the death of his brother Paul Lovette of Thomasville who passed away last Wednesday. Mr. and Mrs. Lovette and their daughter Mrs. Vamik Bombatepe

Five Day Summer Camp Open For Raeford Girls

Day camping will be available to hundreds of girls in this area through plans being made this spring by Girl Scout adult volunteers and professionals for sixteen day camps.

Mrs. R.J. Volk of Raleigh is chairman of the Program Services Committee of the nineteen county Pines of Carolina Girl Scout Council which is responsible for planning and implementing the day camp program for girls ages 7 - 17. Both Scouts and non-Scouts may attend.

Nine of the camp programs will be five - day sessions. Six others will be eight - day sessions, four days a week for two successive weeks. One aquatic day camp program with emphasis on swimming, canoeing, and water safety will be available to girls in the Triangle Area at Umstead State Park.

"Qualified directors have been appointed for all day camps," stated Mrs. Volk, "and they are receiving additional training during the spring to ensure an interesting and enriching program in each of the camps with primary emphasis on fun in the out-of-doors. We expect the Day Camp program to be an appreciation of nature and develop in our campers a spirit

attended the funeral services at Thomasville Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Plummer and Mr. and Mrs. Thomas McFadyen had as their guests at a banquet at the Downtowner Motor Inn, Fayetteville last Saturday night the Rev. and Mrs. Berry Barbour, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Abernethy, and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Crumpler of Raeford.

of camaraderie as they enjoy hiking, exploring, singing, folk dancing, games, skits, cookouts, nature crafts, and other activities which the campers will plan with their counselors," Mrs. Volk said.

The five - day camp program will be held at Camp Gertrude Tutts, Pinehurst; Hoke County at Raeford; Camp Reigel Tree Farm at Lumberton; Camp Reeves Ridge at Sanford; Scotland County at Laurinburg; Lake Day Camp at Fayetteville; and Camp Bladen Lakes at Bladen Lakes State Forest and Camp Holly at Smithfield.

The eight - day camp programs will be at Camp Laurel Acres, Raleigh; Camp Marion Hill at Chapel Hill; Carver's Falls, Fayetteville; Eastern at Satterwhite Point near Henderson Camp Ester Sittig, Roxboro; and Harnett County near Lillington.

Most of the camp sites are owned or leased year round by the Pines of Carolina Girl Scout Council and are regularly used for troop camping and various outdoor events by Girl Scout troops in the area. Specific dates on the day camps may be obtained by writing to Pines of Carolina Girl Scout Council, P.O. Box 25246, Raleigh, N.C. 27611.

4-H Talent Show

The County 4-H Talent Show will be Friday, April 17 at 7:30 p.m. at Raeford Elementary School. Individual participation in the talent show will include vocal solo, instrumental solo, dancing - tap, ballet, etc.; puppetry, acrobatic, baton twirling, impersonations, humorous reading or recitation.

Group participation will include vocal duet, trio, quartet, chorus; instrumental - band, etc.; dancing - folk, square, etc.; novelty - puppetry, acrobatic, and skit.

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