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## Lewis Resigns Party Post On Heels of New Postmaster Selection

### NEW POSTMASTER

Word from Washington on the subject of the postmastership of Kinston indicates that a considerable upset has taken place. A Monday release states that Representative John Kerr has indicated his favor for E. R. "Buck" Wooten, law partner of F. E. Wallace. Wooten had not publicly thrown his hat in the ring for the job, but Assistant Postmaster Harry Pittman and County Democratic Chairman Meriwether Lewis had both announced their willingness to accept the appointment. Wooten is a veteran of World War II, a native of Kinston and a member of one of the county's most prominent families.

Until recently, potato diseases were of only minor importance to Alaskan farmers. Now, however, some of the diseases have become so severe that many farmers have decided to discontinue potato growing.

The appointment of E. R. "Buck" Wooten as acting postmaster of Kinston, which was recommended by Representative John Kerr, has already caused one ripple on the calm Democratic waters of Lenoir County with the Tuesday morning resignation of Col. Meriwether Lewis from the post of chairman of the County Democratic Executive Committee. Lewis' resignation addressed to Committee Secretary Fred Whitaker, is as follows:

Dear Secretary:

The recent repudiation of the unanimous will of the Lenoir County Democratic Executive Committee makes it impossible for me to continue as the head of this committee.

Therefore for the good of the party, I am resigning as its chairman, effective this date.

For the sake of peace and harmony among the ranks of the party I suggest the selection of C. Kersey Smith or Ely J. Perry to the responsibility of the chairman of this committee.

(signed) Meriwether Lewis.

### BIG CROWD AT 'ADKIN' MEETING

The Kinston City Hall was packed to capacity Monday night to hear Soil Conservationists explain methods of setting up a Drainage District. A series of full-color slides was shown to the group by local Conservationist David Dixon and explained by R. P. Moore, district conservationist. Following the showing of the slides District Engineer R. P. Dailey outlined the plan and made comment on peculiarities of the local situation. Mayor Guy Elliott expressed opinion for the city council and served as monitor for a discussion period that became lively at times. Four of the rural property owners present agreed to sign up in order to get the program underway. It was felt that the city would sign up as a unit, rather than trying to get the hundreds of individual owners in town to sign up. Dailey estimated that the project would cost close to \$18,000 and AAA Secretary pointed out that farmers could receive AAA grants in the ratio of 10 cents for each cubic yard of earth moved.

## Governor Scott To Be Guest at Wheat Swamp's Festival

### COMFORT SHOOTING

L. J. Koonce wound up with a .22 caliber rifle bullet in his leg and J. B. Griffin ended up in the county jail in Trenton Sunday afternoon as the result of an argument between the two natives of the Comfort section. Sheriff Jeter Taylor said both parties had been drinking. Koonce was discharged from a Kinston hospital Monday.

### PACKHOUSE BURNS

A major fire loss occurred near Pollocksville on Saturday morning on the farm of Mrs. Vera Foscoe tended by Jerry Bass. Fire consumed a large packhouse to cause large damage which has not yet been evaluated. It was reported that one-half of Bass' tobacco crop was still stored in the packhouse. It is not known whether the structure and contents were insured.

### Wheat Swamp PTA Meets

A regular meeting of the Wheat Swamp School Parent-Teacher Association will be held at 8 p. m. Thursday at the school, President John P. Dail has announced. All members and patrons of the school are requested to be present.

The next scheduled visit of the Governor of North Carolina to Lenoir County will be on Friday, November 4th. On that day Governor Kerr Scott will be the honor guest at the Harvest Festival of the Wheat Swamp Christian Church. The state's chief executive accepted the church's invitation on Saturday in Raleigh from the Rev. Rabon Rose, pastor, and John P. Dail of the board of elders.

The Festival on the 197-year-old church grounds in November will be the second. It was begun last year by the 375 members of the church. The purpose of the event is to raise funds for the continued growth of the church. The Harvest Festival this year is expected to far surpass the first in attendance, activities and enjoyment. The major part of the program will be the auctioning of farm produce and products donated by the congregation. The complete plans for the Festival will be announced later.

The first church, Baptist, was erected on the site of the present church in 1752. It was some 100 years ago when the church there affiliated with the Disciples of Christ Church. Extensive remodeling of the present church, parts of which are 100 years old, is now going on. Services are held there each first and third Sunday, with Sunday School every Sunday.



Officers of the Lenoir County Council of 4-H Clubs are gathered to make plans for the coming year and to complete plans for exhibiting the model furniture display shown here in the State Fair in Raleigh later this month. At the extreme right, President Faye Dail displays a bedspread made by 4-H'ers for the tiny bed and Vice President Bobby Hicks, next to Miss Dail, is seen admiring the entire display. In the center background Assistant Home Agent Rachel Harigrove can be seen along with the 4-H'ers, some of which tower over her by several inches. (Whitaker-Lefew Photo.)

## Biggest Airshow Ever Given In Eastern Part State Sunday In Kinston

"The biggest and best air show in the history of Kinston." That's what members of the Kinston Junior Chamber of Commerce are saying about the air circus they are sponsoring for this coming Sunday, October 16th, at the Kinston Airport. The starting time is 2 p. m.

Already lined up are enough fancy and heavy air equipment to assure the local Jaycees keeping their word about it being the "biggest and best".

Perhaps for the first time for many people in this area there will be an opportunity to see the huge B-29, the same type plane that dropped the A-bomb on Nagasaki and Hiroshima. From Cherry Point Marine Air Base a group of jet fighters will come to give an exhibition of 600 miles per hour riding.

From Charlotte a detachment of P-47 fighters from the North Carolina National Guard will be on hand. This was one of the planes most active in every theater during the past war.

In addition to the huge B-29 bombers, the Air Force is also sending a detachment of F-86 jet fighters, the type plane that now holds the world speed record of nearly 700 miles per hour.

### PTA MEETING

The Lenoir County Council of the Parent-Teacher Association will meet at 7:30 Friday in Deep Run High School. County Superintendent Henry Bullock and County Supervisor Muriel Scott will be the principal guests of the occasion and all members of the Association are urged to be on hand.

### RENEW YOUR SUBSCRIPTION

To top off this extremely interesting day for the air-minded, the local group has contracted for an appearance by one of the nation's top stunt teams, who will give an exhibition of "plane and fancy" flying that is guaranteed to curl even a baldheaded man's hair.

To many the biggest thrill of the day will be a delayed parachute jump by a nifty individual who will fall 8,000 feet before pulling the ripcord on his parachute.

The entire show is scheduled to last for three hours and every minute of that time is slated to have at least one thrill in it.

## 'BLUE' BABY FUNDS TO BE RETURNED

The money so generously given by citizens of this section to make possible a heart operation for Jones County's "blue" baby, little Florence Marie Canady, who died last week, will be returned to the donors. That decision was reached in the face of a bewildering number of requests for use of the fund for other needy causes. It was made by Jones County Welfare Superintendent F. J. Koonce, Sr., who was charged with supervision of the fund; Mrs. Lurley Hines, who had it in custody; and The Journal, which sponsored it.

It was at first proposed that each donor be written and asked whether the money should be returned or used for some other worthy purpose. But in the flood of requests for its use, so difficult was the decision as to which was most worthy that it was decided the best course was the return of the funds. Checks will be mailed this week to those who so generously gave to try to give the unfortunate little girl a chance.

Those who have had a part in the raising, handling and custody of the funds have expressed their deep appreciation to the contributors. If little Florence Marie had not been stricken by spinal meningitis her ailing heart would have had the surgical attention it required.



Pictured is the Grumman F4F Panther which will be featured in Kinston Junior Chamber of Commerce Air Show October 16. This plane is from the "World's Largest Marine Corps Air Station" at Cherry Point, N. C. (Official U. S. Marine Corps Photo.)