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## Green Light Hoke, Upchurch, Hawk Eye Are Given Bank Ready To Graduate 165 Seniors



### Davis Named As Manager Of Outlet

Joel E. Davis has been appointed senior officer and manager of Southern National Bank in Raeford, according to an announcement Tuesday by Hector MacLean, president. Davis currently is associated with Southern National Bank at Laurinburg where he is vice president. He moved there from the home bank at Lumberton when the branch was opened in 1959.

Before entering the banking field, Davis served in an executive capacity through the southern territory of Sears Roebuck and Co. His last assignment with Sears was, as group credit manager of the Memphis Group.

A native of Robeson county, he is a graduate of St. Pauls High School, and he attended the University of Chattanooga. Davis has completed courses in banking with the American Institute of Banking. Currently, he is attending the Banking School at the University of Virginia at Charlottesville where he will graduate in August.

In banking affairs over the state, Davis has held several positions of importance. At the present he is a director of the Cape Fear Chapter, American Institute of Banking.

The Southern National vice president has been elected to the Executive Committee of the N. C. Bankers Assn. for 1963 and 1964. He is also vice president of the Alumni Assn., School of Consumer Banking University of Virginia.

Davis is active in civic affairs in Laurinburg and is a past director and treasurer of the Laurinburg Chamber of Commerce. He has served as chairman of the Christmas Parade Committee and chairman of the Tourist and Convention Committee. As a member of the Laurinburg Rotary Club he is a past director and secretary and treasurer. He also is a Mason.

Davis and his wife and their three children are members of the First Baptist Church, and he is on the board of deacons. The family plan to move to Raeford from their home in McLaurin Acres in the late summer. Other personnel of the new bank at Raeford will be announced at a later date.

### S. National To Open Branch By This Fall

The application by the Southern National Bank of North Carolina to establish a bank in Raeford has been approved and construction on the building is expected to start within 30 days.

Announcement of the approval of Southern National's application by the U.S. Comptroller of Currency was made last week by the bank's president, Hector MacLean of Lumberton. The bank made the application on April 10.

Harold Gillis, Raeford realtor who played a strong part in bringing the bank to the town, said the bank building will be of modern brick design, two-story, 5,000 feet of floor space with drive-in facilities. It will be located at Elwood and Main Sts. on the site now occupied by an abandoned diner, and the McPhaul-Williams Co.

The structure will be erected and owned by T. B. Upchurch Inc. and leased to Southern National.

According to Gillis, the architects currently are revising plans used to build another bank to meet the local situation.

He said bids on the building will be advertised in two weeks and let soon after that.

Gillis said: "Those of us who worked to get the bank are pleased with the swift approval and know that it will be a fine asset to our business community."

MacLean said that the bank is planning a fall opening.

The Raeford bank will be the seventh in the Southern National chain. There are already four branches in Fayetteville, two in Lumberton, where the home office is located, and one in Laurinburg, Southern Pines, Hamlet and Fairmont.

A board of managers selected from Hoke County citizens will control the bank here and stock will be made available to the people of the county.

### PTA Installs New Officers

Officers were installed at the final P-TA meeting of the year Monday night at Raeford Elementary School.

Featured on the program were the Boys' Chorus, the Junior Chorus and the Girls' Glee Club of the school. They were under the direction of Ann Miller and were well received.

John Manuel awarded a desk pen set to the "World's Best Baby Sitter," John Pickup. For the past three years Pickup, an industrial engineer at the Raeford Worsted Plant, has been showing cartoons to children while their parents attended P-TA meetings.

Manuel also recognized Arthur Ramsey and members of the Hoke County High School Key Club for their assistance on the program.



HOKE COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL salutatorian, left, Nancy Bray, valedictorian, Jean Brock.



UPCHURCH HIGH SCHOOL valedictorian, left, Connie Murchison, and salutatorian, Marilyn Murchison, sisters.

### \$195,000 Turkey Loan OK

A \$195,000 industrial loan to help Raeford Cold Storage Warehouse, Inc., Raeford, North Carolina, construct and equip a plant for the freezing and storage of poultry was announced yesterday by the Area Redevelopment Administration of the U. S. Department of Commerce.

ARA Administrator William

L. Batt, Jr., said the loan, which will run for 15 years and bear an annual interest rate of 4 percent will help create an estimated 140 jobs at an adjacent turkey farm, which is owned by the firm's parent company, Raeford Turkey Farms, Inc. The project will also create 10 direct new jobs (See ARA LOAN, Page 10)

### Hawk Eye To Graduate 10 Seniors

Commencement exercises for 10 graduating seniors at Hawk Eye High School will be conducted at 8 p.m. Wednesday, May 29.

The students who will graduate are Bobby Locklear, Carvie Lee Miller, Charles Clark, David Earl Bullard, Donald Ray Oxendine, Eloise Clark, Hellen Locklear, Henry Thurmond Locklear, Judy Faye Jacobs and Willie Foy Jacobs.

The commencement address will be given by Dr. Martin L. Brooks who will be introduced by Earl H. Oxendine, principal.

Diplomas will be awarded by Lonnie Locklear, chairman of the local school committee.

The school's Baccalaureate Sermon will be delivered at the school at 4 p.m. Sunday, May 26. The speaker will be the Rev. Venus Brooks.

### Wheat Vote Yes In Hoke, No In Nation

Almost 95 per cent of the wheat growers in Hoke County voted in favor of continued production restrictions and price support in the referendum conducted Tuesday. The control program failed nationally.

The total county vote was 533 of which 28 were against controls. The total figure represents 95 per cent of the wheat growers in the Hoke, which, according to Mrs. Louise Blue, ASC agent, is an extremely good turnout.

There were 20 absentee ballots which had not been tabulated by press time Wednesday.

The control program passed in North Carolina. Virginia was against it as were most states in the West.

### Mrs. MacDonald Hurt In Crash

Mrs. K. A. MacDonald, 303 E. Central Ave., is still confined at Cape Fear Valley Hospital as a result of an accident which occurred Saturday on U. S. 301 near the Americana Motel.

Mrs. MacDonald's husband, who was driving the car, was not injured. She suffered a broken ankle and minor head injuries.

The car was struck by another driven by Allen Norman Roush, 16, of Bidwell, Ohio. The Bidwell car belonged to Lucian Strickland of Wilson.

The youth was charged with public drunkenness and littering the highway by tossing a liquor bottle out of the car. Damages to the two vehicles totaled approximately \$600, according to investigating officer, E. C. Colwell.

### Dr. Morton Public Relations Director Will Address Commencement Speaker Senior Class

Upchurch High School will graduate 87 seniors at commencement exercises in the school auditorium at 8 p.m. Tuesday, May 28.

The speaker will be Dr. Charles E. Morton, dean of Fayetteville State Teachers College.

The schedule of closing events for the school year will be as follows:

At 8 p.m. Thursday, May 23, in the school auditorium a Senior Class night at which the graduating students will present the class history, prophecy, recitals and skits.

At 4:30 Sunday, May 26, in the school auditorium, the Baccalaureate Sermon by the Rev. Charles Blalock, pastor of Bright Hopewell Baptist Church, Laurinburg.

On Monday at 10:30 a.m. in the school auditorium an Awards Day at which all students will receive honors for achievements in school activities.

Dr. Morton, the commencement speaker, is a man of remarkable achievements.

Only 37 years old, he graduated from Morehouse College in Atlanta. He also studied at the Union Theological Seminary in New York and obtained a B.D. from Heidelberg University in Germany. He received a Ph. D. at Columbia University.

He is a Baptist Minister, a lecturer and writer. He is listed in the third edition of Directory of American Scholars and in Who's Who in American Education.

Among others, he has contributed articles to "The South Today," "Journal of Religion," "The Catholic World" and "The Pulpit."

### License Bureau To Close Monday

Because of the Chamber's annual meeting and banquet scheduled Monday evening at Hoke High School cafeteria the Raeford License Bureau, located in the Chamber office, will be closed Monday afternoon at 1 o'clock. Office personnel will be engaged in preparations for the banquet. The license bureau, however, will open at 9 a.m. Tuesday.

### Two Soldiers Captured And Charged By Motley

Patrolman Sam Motley last Saturday at 4 a.m. discovered and arrested two Ft. Bragg soldiers in the act of burglarizing Teal's Gulf Station on the Aberdeen Highway, just past the overhead bridge.

Here is the story as given in an interview at the Raeford Police Department.

Patrolman Motley was making a routine check of the station, as he does approximately every hour, and discovered the padlock he usually sees to be missing. Looking in, he saw a man inside the station office and immediately radioed for help. Dispatcher Leslie Faircloth was at the desk when the call came in. He picked up Patrolman Harvey Young who was making the rounds of the local business establishments and sped to the scene.

Upon arriving, he found Patrolman Motley with the pair against the wall making the usual search of personal possessions.

Under questioning, the men disclosed that they were Oscar F. Bowen, 22, and Thomas D. Lambert, 22, and were soldiers stationed at Ft. Bragg.

According to Faircloth: Lambert, the driver of the car, let Bowen out at the gasoline station and drove to the home of Dewey McQuinn and parked his car in the yard.



DR. BUTLER

### Hail Loss Is Heavy

A good deal of hail damage was suffered in Hoke County from a hail storm last Friday afternoon.

County Agent W. S. Young said that tobacco, vegetables, soybeans and corn were damaged extensively especially in the Lumber Bridge, Rockfish and Davis' Bridge areas as well as in the northwestern section of the county at Quewhiffle.

The breaking buds from tobacco plants will cause large scale replanting, David Probst of the Davis' Bridge section, a vegetable farmer, said that tomatoes on his vines were stripped from the stalk.

One insurance agent said that his firm had received applications for payment from some 30 farmers, most of whom were located in the above mentioned sections.

In some cases hail insurance does not cover loss on tobacco unless the plants have grown to a size of 20 leaves. In other cases the company will help pay the expense of resetting.

Frank Crumpler, Hoke County coroner, entered the Moore County Memorial Hospital the evening of Thursday, May 16, for a hernia operation.

He was operated on Friday morning and is reported doing well. He is expected to return to work Thursday, May 23.

Dr. James Watson Butler, associate director of public relations at East Carolina College, will be the speaker at commencement exercises that will graduate 68 seniors from Hoke County High School the night of Wednesday, May 29.

The event will take place in the Auditorium of Raeford Elementary School and will begin at 8 o'clock.

Dr. Butler's talk will be on "After High School."

The high school also has two other events scheduled in connection with graduation.

Class and Awards Night will be at 8 o'clock on Friday also in the Raeford Elementary Auditorium. At this event, for the entire high school, the class history, last will and testament and class prophecy will be given. Awards will be presented to all students for achievements in various school activities.

Two scholarships will be awarded, also.

The other event will be the Baccalaureate Sermon at 8 p.m. Sunday, May 26. This will be delivered by the Rev. John Glenn, pastor of the First Baptist Church. He will speak on "The Secret of Success" in the Raeford Elementary Auditorium.

The commencement speaker, Dr. Butler, is a graduate of East Carolina College and did graduate work at George Washington University. He holds an honorary doctorate of letters from Berlin Memorial University at Chillicothe, Mo.

He has been editor of several North Carolina newspapers and a trade publication. He also is widely known as a consultant in public relations.

### Electric Power Off This Sunday

Electric power in the Raeford service area will be off Sunday morning, May 26, from 5 to 8 o'clock. Ben Hurley, service representative, has announced. Hurley said that the interruption is necessary in order to complete work for increasing power facilities at Raeford.

He cautioned that those depending on electric clocks should bear in mind the fact that they will stop at 5 a. m. Sunday.



P-TA OFFICERS INSTALLED Monday night were, left to right, Mrs. Brown Hendrix, treasurer; Miss Nancy Thornberg, secretary; and Mrs. C. P. Satterwhite, vice-president. The installing officer is Blon Brewer, immediate past president. The newly elected president, Fred Culbreth, was in Atlanta on business. (Staff Photo)

### Drifter Killed By Hit-Runner

The mutilated body of a handsome young Hoke County drifter still lies unclaimed on a cooling table in the Cape Fear Valley Memorial Hospital in Fayetteville.

He was struck down, dragged and killed by an unidentified hit-and-run driver early Sunday morning on Rural Highway 1228 near the Five Points Community.

The Hoke County Sheriff's Department, the Highway Patrol and the State Bureau of Investigation are still searching without results so far, for the driver of the car.

The young man, who Sheriff Dave Barrington thinks may originally have come from New Hampshire and who had been

in the county only three weeks, was known in these parts as Al Duntin. He, according to information the sheriff has received, had attended the Four-square Church in Raeford on at least one occasion.

The sheriff said that it is likely that Hoke County will bury him since efforts to contact his family have been futile.

Duntin, whose full name, as the sheriff received it, was Al Leon David Duntin Jr., was approximately 21 years old. Barrington said he had been working for Byron Parks of near Five Points but that he apparently was not a farmer and just taking what work he could find.

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