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DRUNK DRIVING CASE

Headache Powder Plea Fails

A plea that he had swallowed nothing but headache powders and pills failed Tuesday to free a Raeford man of drunk driving charges.

John Willie Smith, Negro, told Judge J. M. Andrews that he had not been drinking when he crashed a "borrowed" truck into a Raeford Oil and Fertilizer Co. truck on the afternoon of October 23.

"I had took several BCs and Goody powders and some pills my doctor give me," he said. "I have been bothered with high blood," he explained.

Smith admitted that Robert Lee Grace, Raeford Negro, had come by his house with a pint of whisky and offered him a drink. He said that after several invitations to drink he finally "touched it to my tongue."

Smith was given six months suspended, fined \$120 and costs, and placed on good behavior for two years on the drunk driving

charge and for driving without a license.

He was found not guilty of temporary larceny of an automobile -- a charge filed against Grace, who left his pickup truck in Smith's yard and went home by taxicab on the afternoon in question.

Testimony indicated that Smith later drove the truck away from the premises to haul a load of wood. It was then that he became involved in the accident with the oil truck.

Grace, the prosecuting witness, was taxed with court costs, and was ordered to pay \$99 in damages to Hoke Oil or serve 30 days on the roads.

Other decisions handed down by Judge Andrews during Tuesday's session included:

Sherman Breedon, Red Springs, exceeding speed limit that was safe under existing conditions, \$60 days suspended, \$10 and costs, \$15.50 in

damages to Aberdeen and Rockfish Railroad, and pay \$25 ambulance fee to Crumpler Funeral Home.

Joe Strong, Shannon Rt. 1, possessing distillery outfit, six months suspended, \$50 and costs and still fee, good behavior for 12 months.

Jakie Cummings, Raeford Rt. 2, possession of a complete distillery outfit, 12 months suspended, \$200 and costs and still fee, good behavior for two years.

Leroy Gillispie, Red Springs Rt. 1, non-support, six months suspended, buy groceries for his family not less than \$10 per week in amount and make other contributions necessary for the support and welfare of family according to his ability to do so, good behavior for 12 months.

David Jones, Montrose, assault, 30 days suspended, \$10 and cost, good behavior for 12 months.

Robert Junior Grace, Raeford Rt. 1 drunk and disorderly, 30 days suspended, \$10 and costs good behavior for 12 months.

Anthony Plascencia, public drunkenness, 30 days suspended, costs.

Willie E. Graham, Raeford, Rt. 3, improper brakes and illegal parking, 90 days suspended, \$10 and costs, pay to clerk of Superior Court sufficient amount to reimburse Garland Little for damages to his auto, good behavior for 12 months.

Bond forfeitures included: Thomas Everette Person, Cameron, speeding \$20.

Pauline McDowell Waters, Fayetteville, overtaking and passing at a marked intersection, \$20.

Ruth Sizemore McMillan, Fayetteville, overtaking and passing at a marked intersection, \$20.

Gail Tucker Boyles, Shannon,

speeding, \$20. William Louis Wetzel Jr., Gastonia, speeding, \$20.

Freddie Revels, Raeford, speeding, \$20. Jerry Mitchell Cumber, Raeford, speeding, \$20.

Albert Derwood, Collins, Greensboro, speeding, \$20. George Washington Grove, McCain, speeding, \$40.

David Michael Raider, Lake Mohegan, N.Y., speeding \$30. Joseph Miles Robinson Jr., Carthage, speeding, \$20.

Dosh Junior Long, Lumberton, speeding, \$20. James Mathew Cameron, Wilmington, speeding, \$20.

Fred Arlo Lane, Louisville, Ky., speeding, \$30. Young Hawkins Allen Jr., Lumberton, speeding, \$20.

Nunice Parnell, Scotland County, no operator's license, \$50. Eliot Donald Smith, Raeford, speeding, \$20.



MY GOODNESS -- Mrs. Oscar Maxwell got the surprise of her life last week when she visited her daughter, Mrs. Hal Gore, on Dickson Street. Stopping her outside, Mrs. Maxwell went into her daughter's house. Moments later they heard a crash. It was Mrs. Maxwell's car which somehow had gotten into gear, ran across a vacant lot, and crashed into I. W. Kinlaw's screened back porch. Kinlaw is shown above surveying the damage.

Moose Lodge Takes Over Fire Truck

The Hoke County fire truck will no longer sit idle due to lack of funds to operate it. Raeford Moose Lodge has adopted its operation as a project.

Ralph Plummer, governor of the lodge, said his club has voted to keep the vehicle in operation rather than see it sit idle for lack of gasoline.

He said the club will not only see that the truck is kept in good state of repair, but also will see that personnel to operate it is ready and waiting at all times.

Baker Boyles and Ed McNeil will serve as county fire chiefs on a co-chairman basis.

"We are taking this as a public service project," the governor said, "and we expect to purchase more equipment as soon as possible."

He pointed out that in case of fire the police department should be called.

Revival Set

Revival services will be held at Community Chapel Methodist Church near Five Points next week, the Rev. J. W. Scott, pastor, announced.

A guest speaker will bring the message each night beginning at 7:30 o'clock. Special music will also be offered nightly.



REV. J. M. GLENN

J. M. Glenn Moderator Of Baptists

Robeson Baptist Association held its eighty-first session here last week with about 250 Baptists attending.

At the close of the session, the group re-elected the Rev. J. M. Glenn moderator and named the Rev. Lawrence Knott vice moderator, succeeding David M. Britt.

Other officers, all re-elected, are the Rev. Robert D. Davis, clerk; the Rev. J. C. Halliburton, assistant clerk; the Rev. Nash A. Odom, historian; John S. Gardner, treasurer. See GLENN, Page 9

Cy Israel Commended In Testing

Cyrus Israel, a local high school senior, has just received a letter of commendation from the National Merit Scholarship Corporation for his outstanding performance on the NMSC qualifying test.

The honor places him in the upper 2 per cent of all the high school seniors throughout the country who took the 1963-64 merit program test. It also signifies noteworthy accomplishment.

The letter of commendation provides tangible recognition of his ability. The Merit Corporation sends the names, home addresses, and test scores of all the commended students to the two colleges they indicated as their preferred choices at the time of the test.

Other special services are also performed by the NMSC in an effort to increase the scholarship opportunities of these high bracket students.

The test is a three-hour examination that covers five separate areas of educational development. Each commended student is considered for certain scholarships that are offered through the facilities of the National Merit Scholarship Corporation.

Airport Raises \$9,534

Only \$80 was added to Raeford's airport fund last week, leaving the campaign \$466 short of its \$10,000 goal.

To date, a total of \$9,534 has been raised. Of that amount, \$5,000 was contributed by Hoke County and \$3,000 by Pacific Mills. The additional \$2,000 is being raised by public subscription.

When the \$10,000 is raised, another \$10,000 in federal funds will become available to build the 3,000-foot landing strip four miles north of town on the Doc Brown farm. The Airport Commission already has made arrangements to purchase the property.

The commission pointed out, however, that the money must be raised, plans drawn, and work ready to begin by January 2 for the town to be eligible for the federal grant. Federal money for the project already has been set aside.

Proponents of the airport point out that the strip is being built for benefit of the town and the county. Airport facilities are now needed and are vital to future growth, they say.

"The new airport is not for local plane owners," a spokesman said. "They already have landing facilities. Actually, it will cost them to move to the new airport."

When completed, Raeford's airport will be put on aeronautics. See AIRPORT, Page 9



FLORIST FIRE -- Fire caused extensive damage Thursday to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Vernon H. Fulmer, 603 Fulton Street, but left undamaged their florist business in back of the residence. Firemen are shown above battling the blaze, which all but destroyed the frame dwelling.

High School Career Day Is Scheduled

Edward K. Crothers Jr., southern director of personnel for Burlington Industries, will be keynote speaker at the Hoke County High School Career Day in Raeford November 5.

Crothers is a native of Philadelphia and a graduate of Cornell University. He joined James Lees and Sons Company, a division of Burlington Industries, in 1951.

After serving in manufacturing and staff positions, Crothers was named Director of Manufacturing for the Lees organization in 1956. He served as Director of Industrial Relations, Product Service and Traffic, for Lees from 1958 through early 1962 when he assumed his present responsibilities and transferred from the Lees offices in Bridgeport, Pa., to Burlington's Executive Offices in Greensboro, N. C.

Crothers is married to the former Miss Jane Littlewood of Philadelphia and they have two children.

Bank Names Local Board

Southern National Bank has named a board of local managers for the branch bank which will open here November 21.

The board includes John Balfour, R. L. Carter Jr., Charles Hostetler, Walter L. Gibson, Harold L. Gillis, Riley M. Jordan, Clarence P. Kinlaw, Kenneth McNeill and Joel E. Davis.

Additional members will be named at a later date, bank officials said.

Pay Raise Granted At Raeford Worsted

Wage employees of the Raeford Worsted Plant will be given a pay increase effective November 4, 1963, according to Marvin Pinson, plant manager. He said the increase will average approximately 5 per cent.

Confirmation that the local plant will make an increase followed a statement by Burlington Industries President Charles F. Myers Jr. that many divisions of the company would make such increases within a few weeks.

Myers said at the time that amounts and effective dates would be established by management of Burlington's decentralized divisions in keeping with the particular business situation in each type of operation.

Pinson pointed out that eligible wage employees at the local plant were also participating in a new profit sharing retirement plan which was announced earlier this year by

Burlington. He said that entire cost of the plan is paid by the company, and that for the fiscal year ended September 28, 1963, the company contribution to the plan totaled approximately \$4,300,000. The amount to be credited to accounts of individual employee members of the plan is equivalent to approximately 3 1/2 per cent of their annual wages.

Meanwhile, a total of 10 textile plants in North and South Carolina announced wage increases, triggered by Burlington's announcement last Friday.

They include Spring Cotton Mills at Laurel Hill and Scotland Mills of Laurinburg.

"We believe that conditions justify wage advances in many areas of our operations, and have asked our division managers to work out appropriate rate increases on the basis of studies now being made," Mr. Myers stated.

SHOTGUN BATTLE

Negro, Stepson Are Wounded

A Hoke County Negro and his stepson were wounded in a gun battle at their home near Rockfish Friday night.

Robert Martin, 55, and Fred Alton Currie, 29, of Raeford Rt. 2 were taken to Cape Fear Valley Hospital in Fayetteville.

Currie was transferred to N. C. Memorial Hospital in Chapel Hill Saturday morning, where at last reports his condition was serious.

Currie's step-father, Martin, was not seriously hurt. A physician removed 10 shotgun pellets

from his thigh, arm and face.

The shooting was reported to Sheriff Dave Barrington's officers by Cumberland County officers, who discovered the shooting through hospital authorities. When they learned the incident occurred in Hoke County, they called in Hoke officers.

Martin told officers that he and his stepson had a disagreement because Currie had returned home late in Martin's car.

Martin said he took his shotgun from another car when Currie walked behind the house to pick up an arm. Martin said Currie went next door to a relative's home to borrow a shotgun.

Martin told deputies that Currie fired once in the air and then leveled the shotgun at him and pulled the trigger. Realizing he was wounded, Martin said, he shot Currie in the upper leg.

Martin's wife then took both men to the hospital.

UF Drive Is Near Halfway

Hoke United Fund neared the halfway point in its drive for \$18,950 this week, with total collections and pledges standing at \$7,307.85.

Volunteer workers were asked to complete their canvass by Friday. The drive already has gone a week beyond the two-week limit set when the campaign began.

Public employees head the list of donors to date, having passed their goal by a few dollars. Goal for that division was \$2,675.85. It has raised \$2,686.66, with reports all but complete.

The industrial division also was past the \$2,000 mark, with \$2,432.19 reported as of Wednesday. That amount included cash collected at Pacific Mills, but not pledges from the Raeford textile plant. Pacific pledges and proceeds from Raeford Turkey Farms and Raeford Lumber Company were expected to put the industrial division beyond its \$3,475.48 goal.

A total of \$1,624.50 had been raised as of Wednesday in the commercial division, whose goal is \$3,623.42.

The professional and individuals division had reported only \$360 of a goal of \$1,783.28. County areas also was lagging behind, with only \$204.50 toward a \$1,392.90 goal.

Drive officials said they are confident the fund will attain its goal "if everybody works as we have in past years." They attributed the low figures to "slow reporting."

A total of 22 agencies will share in proceeds of the drive. If the fund does not reach its goal, they will share proceeds on a pro rata basis.

Only once in its more than 10-year history has the fund failed to reach its campaign goal.

Meetings Set For Monday

Governing boards for the county, schools and town will hold their monthly meetings Monday.

County Commissioners will meet at the Courthouse Annex at 9 a. m. The Board of Town Commissioners will meet at the town hall at 7:30 p. m. and the Board of Education will meet at 7:45.



NEW OFFICERS -- Shown here are new officers of Hoke Community Development Association, elected last Wednesday night at the association's annual meeting. They are, left to right: Mrs. O. B. Isreal, vice president; D. J. Dalton, president; Mrs. Willa McLauchlin, secretary-treasurer, and Mrs. Dave Hendricks, publicity chairman.