



The last in line
 This once productive dairy, in the western part of Hoke County, is now waiting the cows. Silos and barns are the only clues as to what used to go on at this farm. This was the last dairy in the county to close.

County man, 62, imprisoned

A 62-year-old Raeford man was sent to prison last week after having his probation revoked and being convicted in Hoke County District Court of possessing a drivers license known to be revoked.

The court woes of Raymond Leroy Clark are not over though as he must be returned to Hoke County to be tried for driving while impaired (DWI), according to court records.

Excluding any prison time he may receive on the DWI charge, Clark already has been sentenced to six months for the probation violations and an additional 90 days for the illegal license charge.

No where in the court records does it specify that Clark, diagnosed as a chronic alcoholic with other health problems by a local doctor, be sent to a prison hospital in the state.

"If a man goes to prison with serious health problems, they will help him," District Court Judge Warren Pate said.

According to probation violation reports by Probation Officer George McGuire, Clark did little to help himself.

While on probation, Clark moved from his Raeford address without telling his probation officer, did not report to McGuire as directed and failed to get alcohol counseling from Sandhills Mental Health Center as directed in the terms of his probation.

"His prison term just may have helped to save his life," Pate said.

Clark was tried while the DWI case is still pending because time had run out on a safe keeping order signed by Superior Court Judge Coy Brewer allowing him to be kept at Central Prison's hospital facility, according to Hoke County Assistant District Attorney Jean Powell.

The order was signed on the recommendation of Raeford's Dr. Riley Jordan.

When Clark moved from Raeford without telling McGuire, he apparently went to a Bethesda House, a "half-way" house in Aberdeen.

Clark further violated his probation while there, according to McGuire in reports.

Clark drank while at the home and then left the shelter without notifying McGuire again, reports say.

To add to the string of violations, Clark failed to show up for court when his DWI case was to be heard originally, according to Pate.

"Probation is a right, not a privilege. It is not something to be abused," Pate said.

In other court action, a Raeford man was arrested and sentenced to jail after being charged with contempt of court.

Ronnie Campbell, who had no cases to bring before the court, was cited for repeatedly talking out loud in court despite requests from the bench to be quiet, records show.

Campbell was ordered to take a breathalyzer test after being arrested.

According to records, the man registered .15 on the meter.

Legally impaired is .10, officials say.

Campbell was sentenced to spend 10 days in the Hoke County Jail.

Another Raeford man, Jerry Dean Cummings, 23, was sentenced to 10 days in jail after being convicted of assault, records say.

According to a warrant for his arrest, Cummings beat Mildred L. Locklear in the face with his fists.

The warrant was issued on January 10, records say.

In another assault case Marice McLaughlin, 17, was given a 30 day sentence suspended for one year supervised probation after being convicted of abusing Kimberly Bratcher, say records.

According to a warrant issued on March 12, McLaughlin twisted the woman's arm and pushed her around while holding her throat.

The Raeford man was ordered by the court to continue mental health counseling until released by his probation officer.

Jerry Roscoe Bratcher, a Raeford resident, was given a six month suspended sentence after being convicted of shoplifting two cartons of cigarettes from the local A&P, records say.

Bratcher, 34, was placed on unsupervised probation for one year and fined \$100, records say.

Break-in nets \$1,800 in property

Hoke County Sheriff's reports and Raeford Police reports showed light crime in the area last week even though one county break-in netted apparent thieves over \$1,800 in property.

On last Thursday, Betty Jones reported that she arrived home to find her residence had been broken into.

Someone had opened a window and entered the house, according to Sheriff's reports.

Taken from the house was a diamond ring valued at \$1,500, a television radio combination worth \$160, three pairs of gold earrings worth \$170 and a gold chain valued at \$99, reports show.

Jones had gone uptown for just a short time, according to reports.

Larry McBryde reported a break-in to his home in which he lost an entertainment system and money.

According to reports, McBryde came home and found his front door open.

The door had been pried open at the lock, reports say.

Taken from inside the home was a color television set worth \$499, a video tape recorder valued at \$364, a stereo worth \$189 and a \$190 cashiers check, reports say.

The incident occurred last Saturday, according to reports.

Katie Holland reported a break-in at her home but there was nothing missing after investigation, reports say.

Although the screen door had been cut, nothing was taken from the house.

Raeford Police Chief Leonard Wiggins reported a shoplifter at Raeford's A&P food store.

Parrish N. Slade, 18, of Raeford, has been charged with trying to take three packages of cigarettes from the store, Wiggins said.

According to the chief, the boy tried to put the smokes under his coat and leave the store.

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