omen are jailed for fighting

Three Raeford women were dered to spend last weekend in the Hoke County District Court e A. Elizabeth Keever after were convicted of fighting in

Casandra Knight, 16, who was rested and cited on May 14 for iting in public, was ordered to from last Friday until Sunday p.m., according to court

Pandora Tew was given the Same sentence, records say. Tew, 17, was cited on the same

day as Knight, according to

In an apparently unrelated case. Sherry Lowry, a 17-year-old Raeford resident, was convicted of assaulting Lisa Poe on May 22,

According to a warrant for Lowry's arrest, she inflicted cuts and bruises on Poe's body and

Lowry was also ordered to spend the weekend in jail, records say.

In other court action, Commie Wall, 41, of Shannon, was ordered to spend last weekend in jail after pleading guilty to being drunk and

disorderly on June 5. Charles Goodwin, of Wagram, was found guilty of misdemeanor larceny and sentenced to 12 months in prison suspended for two years' supervised probation, according to records.

Goodwin was brought into court on a charge of forgery but that charge was downgraded, according to records.

According to a warrant, Goodwin took a check from Ellis Smith and cashed it for \$100.50.

Goodwin was ordered by Keever to pay a \$50 fine and \$100.50 in

restitution, records say. Ebender Locklear Usher, of Raeford, was given a six month suspended sentence and three years probation after being convicted of shoplifting from the local A&P foodstore.

A warrant for the 40-year-old Usher was issued on April 10.

According to that warrant, Usher stole four bottles of col-ogne, three pairs of "booties" and 12 cartons of chewing gum from the store.

Michael Gerald Scott, of Raeford, was convicted of stealing seven azalea plants from Hoke County High School, according to

Scott, 17, was sentenced to two years suspended for three years supervised probation and fined \$50, records say.

The man was also ordered by the court to perform 250 hours of community service.

According to records, the stolen plants were valued at \$10.50.

Five area residents were convicted of driving while impaired (DWI) in court last week.

Harold Blue, a Hamlet resident, was convicted of DWI on May 5, according to records.

The conviction was Blue's second, records say.

The 51-year-old man was sentenced to 90 days suspended for one year unsupervised probation and fined \$100, records say.

He was also ordered to spend seven days in jail, according to

Louise McLaughlin Robeson, a 55 year old Raeford woman, was sentenced to 90 days suspended for one year on special supervised probation and seven days in jail for

her second conviction of DWI, according to records.

The woman, who was arrested on October 12 of last year, was also fined \$100, records say.

Anthony Williams, a Maxton resident, was sentenced to 90 days suspended for two years special supervised probation for his second conviction of DWI.

Williams, 20, who was charged on May 18, was also ordered to spend seven days in jail and pay a fine of \$100, records say.

Vernon Woodrow Hair, of Raeford, was sentenced to six months suspended for two years special supervised probation, ordered to spend seven days in jail and fined \$150 after being convicted of DWI for the second time.

Hair, 43, was arrested on March 7, according to records.

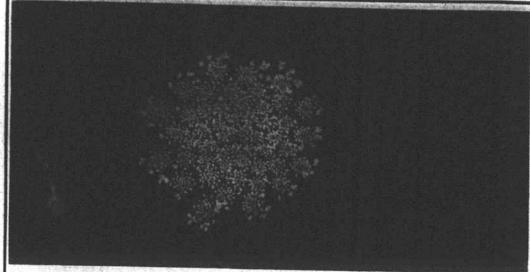
Jeffry Allen Murphy, 23, was convicted of DWI on May 4 and was sentenced to 60 days suspended for one year unsupervised probation and fined \$100 after being convicted of DWI.

Murphy is a Hope Mills resi-

Jimmy H. Hammonds, of Wakulla, was fined \$15 for possession of marijuana.

The 16-year-old Hammonds was cited on February 17, records say.

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Chance to pass

Every once in a while, a flower, wild or planned, will attack. Not attack to harm, but to assault the senses. The flower will stand out as being the most

beautiful thing in the area. So it was with this wild flower. Against a background of weeds, the white flower seems so out of place, but welcome.

Couple arrested for marijuana

By Ed Miller

Two Raeford residents were out of jail on \$2,000 bond each after being charged with drug viola-

John Henry McNeill and Lou Mattie Purcell Monroe of 1571 McBryde Lake Road were charged on May 29 with intending to sell and deliver marijuana and possession of drug paraphernalia, Hoke County Sheriff's Department reports show.

Deputy Mack High and Deputy C.E. Harris served a search warrant on the couple following an investigation.

Upon entering the house, High asked McNeill to show him where the pot was hidden, according to the report.

The 48-year-old man handed the deputies 113 grams of the controlled substance, High said in the

According to Hoke County Sheriff Dave Barrington, the marijuana weighed about three ounces.

The marijuana had been broken into 27 plastic bags and five paper envelopes, according to the report.

Also turned over to the deputies was \$260 in cash, apparently from the sale of the drugs, according to

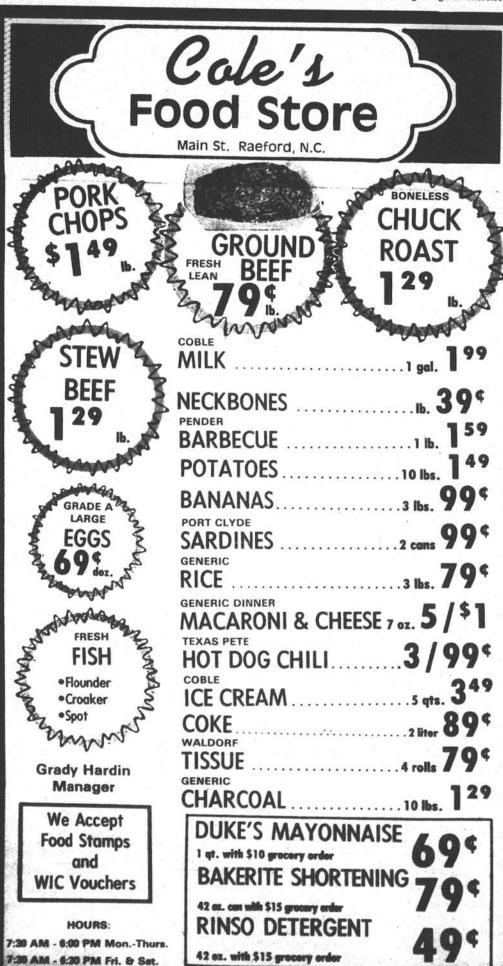
In a statement to the deputies, McNeill said that the marijuana confiscated was the second batch he had sold.

He had collected \$600 from the first sales, he said. McNeill also told deputies that

he got the pot from an unknown man in a van.

McNeill had not seen the man since he received the second shipment, he told deputies.

Both McNeill and Monroe, 39, were charged, reports say, adding that Monroe had not sold any of the drug but she knew it was in the



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