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## Addenda...

By The Editor

Now that it has been several days since the Rowland child became ill, there is a rumor being circulated that she may not have the highly contagious type of meningitis, and that all the worry and precautions as to their children on the part of other parents may turn out to have been completely unnecessary.

Nothing could be further from the truth, in my opinion, even if by miracle it should turn out to have been nothing worse than a cold. With the diagnosis of meningitis by a responsible physician, and the confirmation of this by a laboratory test, I would want the precautions taken as to my children every time, regardless of what later tests might show. The incubation period of the disease is less than a week and sometimes as low as three days, and by the time all the checking had been completed my child might be one who had already contracted the stuff. Don't you feel the same way? The time to shut the gate is before the cows are out.

I am the somewhat red-faced operations officer of the 2nd Medium Tank Battalion, 196th Armor Regiment, and the same fellow who wrote the article in last week's paper about the achievement of a "Superior" inspection rating by the Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Trouble is, in the article last week I referred to my own unit as the "68th Armor" instead of the 196th. Only excuse I can offer for this lapse is that I publish the post newspaper at Fort Bragg, and the only tank battalion over there is the 4th Battalion of the 68th Armor. Guess I just had this stuck in my mind. Battalion Commander Lt. Col. William Lamont, Jr., didn't take long to get it unstuck Friday. (He was away at the governor's inauguration Thursday where he commanded 30th Division troops in the parade. Major T. B. Lester, Battalion executive officer, acted as battalion commander).

Sam's got a heading of his own now, and his column follows. Hope you enjoy it.

## around... town

With Sam Morris

The Australian Olympic team that went to Rome last summer wore uniforms made from Raeford 2/80's material that was donated to them by a Burlington Industries mill in that country. The managing director of the mill received letters from two members of the team praising the Raeford 2/80's uniforms which they wore during their visit to Rome. Both of the men stated "we wore the uniforms for more than five weeks and they looked as good when we arrived back home as when we left and we had the best uniforms worn at the Olympics."

The article the above was taken from came out of an Australian Textile publication. The headline in big bold type read, "Olympians Praise Our Raeford." The Raeford name has been appearing in ads all across the United States and now it moves overseas. So if you go to Australia just tell them you are from the town that made the material for their Olympic team's uniforms.

I went over to the courthouse last Friday to renew my driver's license. As I handed the paper back to the examiner in walked Patrolman J. E. Dupree. The remarks he made to the examiner about the way I operated a motor vehicle almost made me leave before finishing the test. Of course, it was all in fun and I got fixed up after forking over \$2.50.

Going back up stairs and walking down the corridor I happened to think about tax listing and went in to wait my turn. Well to tell the truth, there was no line and only the tax lister, Mrs. Ruby Tuttle, was in the office. If you haven't listed, now would be a good time to do so. From what I hear listing is about normal and everyone is waiting for the last day so they will have to stand in line or not list at all and then complain to the commis-



**NEW BANK OFFICIALS.** The Bank of Raeford selected the following officials for the new year at their directors meeting Thursday. They are, from left to right, H. L. Gatlin, chairman of the board; R. B. Lewis, president; Miss Jessie B. Ferguson, cashier; A. W. Wood, Jr., assistant cashier.

## E. B. Satterwhite Of McCain Is Buried Monday

E. B. Satterwhite, 66, who retired Dec. 31 after 34 years as McCain postmaster, died Sunday in Moore Memorial Hospital at Pinehurst. Funeral services were held Monday at 2 p.m. at Page Memorial Methodist Church in Aberdeen.

The services were conducted by the pastor, the Rev. Brooks Patten, assisted by the Rev. Charles Maness, chaplain at N. C. Sanatorium, and the Rev. T. J. Whitehead of Graham. Burial with Masonic rites followed in old Bethesda Cemetery, Aberdeen.

Mr. Satterwhite came from Salisbury to the Sanatorium as a patient and ran the store and switchboard before his appointment as postmaster in 1926.

He was a member of the Raeford Kiwanis Club, the Roman Eagle Lodge No. 550, AF & AM, of Aberdeen and the Page Memorial Church, where he was formerly on the board of stewards. He was also a director of the Aberdeen Savings and Loan Association, and a director of the Hoke County United Fund.

Born at Stony Point in Alexander County on July 20, 1894, he was the son of the late Emma Watts Satterwhite of Stony Point and the late T. E. Satterwhite of Rutherford College.

Surviving in addition to his wife, the former Susie Burton of Hightowers in Caswell County and a former nurse of the Sanatorium, are: one son, Richard of the home; his stepmother, Mrs. T. E. Satterwhite of Rutherford College; four sisters, Mrs. John Keith of Rockingham, Mrs. Rudolph Mauney of Rutherford College, Mrs. Robert N. Groh of Washington, D. C., and Mrs. Wayland Seagraves of Raleigh; and six brothers, Harold and Pat of McCain, Garland and Arthur of Rutherford College, Bill of Raleigh and Tom Glass of Apex.

Sidney Stanley is spending this week in Fairmont with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Carlos Stanley.

## Gatlin, Lewis, In Bank Promotions

At the directors' meeting following the annual meeting of stockholders of the Bank of Raeford Thursday H. L. Gatlin, president since 1945, was moved up to the newly-created position of chairman of the board, and R. B. Lewis, executive vice-president since 1946 and cashier since 1920, became president.

The new board chairman is a native of near Hartsville, S. C., coming here in 1904 and acquiring stock in the then-new bank shortly afterwards. He became a director in 1907 or 1908, according to his memory, and was vice-president during the early nineteen thirties. Gatlin became president in 1945 after the death of T. B. Upchurch.

Lewis, a native of Wilmington and veteran of both World Wars, went to work for the bank as assistant cashier in 1919 when he got out of the Army, and became cashier in 1920. Since 1946 he had been executive vice-president and cashier.

F. B. Sexton was reelected vice-president and J. L. McNeill was elected a vice-president to succeed Lewis. The position of executive vice-president was discontinued, as the new president devotes full time to the bank.

Miss Jessie Bright Ferguson, an employee of the bank since September of 1928, and assistant cashier since January of 1947, was promoted to the position of cashier. A. W. Wood, Jr., who has been employed at the bank since April, 1949, and assistant cashier since January, 1952, continues as assistant cashier.

In his report to the stockholders the executive vice-president stated that the bank had enjoyed another outstanding year, only slightly under the record business done in 1959, and that dividends had been paid as of January 1, 1961.

The Bank of Raeford was organized in 1903 and its presidents, in order, have been John Blue, J. W. McLaughlin, E. B. McNeill, T. B. Upchurch, H. L. Gatlin and R. B. Lewis.



**LINE — UP.** Employees at Pacific Mills are shown here last week just before their X-Rays at the plant. Mill officials joined with workers in "Operation X-Ray" last week in an effort to prevent T. B. by taking time out from the work schedule for a trip to the mobile unit.

## Health Board Makes Plans At Meeting Tuesday

The regular quarterly meeting of the Hoke County board of health was held in the health center Tuesday night with all members present. Dr. Julius Jordan, chairman, presided and present were Dr. R. L. Murray, Dr. M. R. Smith, W. P. Baker, Alfred Cole, A. K. Stevens, W. T. Gibson, Jr. and Dr. Clifton Davenport, health director and secretary to the board.

The board voted to bring the mobile x-ray unit to the county every year, with fall of 1962 being set as the tentative time for the next trip. The unit is in the county now and will be in Raeford through Saturday of this week.

A resolution was passed by the board to the effect that a dog warden should have his services available, on a half-day basis during the whole year, and that a veterinarian should conduct the dog vaccination clinics in February if one is available. The veterinarian would be paid from the fees from dog owners according to the board's resolution.

Dr. Davenport, the health director, presented the quarterly report of the health department's activities including statistics on the various subdivisions of disease control, vital statistics, youth and adult health sanitation, rabies, laboratory service and health education.

Dr. Davenport reported that 1009 x-rays had been taken by the mobile unit operating in the county under the sponsorship of the Raeford Jaycees and the county health department in October, and that two cases of active pulmonary tuberculosis had been found with these films. The program also disclosed 10 cardiovascular, or heart, abnormalities and 44 cases of scarring or other pulmonary abnormalities.

## County Board Handles Routine Matters Monday

A road request from McLaughlin Township, requesting that a street be added to the Tyler subdivision, was one of many items on the agenda for the county commissioners as they met here Monday. The board approved the addition of the street to the county highway system, by a unanimous vote.

Other subjects which came under the consideration of the board included the appointment of a new trustee for the library and a discussion of the dog warden program.

J. A. Webb, trustee of the Hoke County Library, resigned from the position this week and has been replaced by R. A. Smoak, who was named by the board to succeed him. Webb was thanked by the board for his past service in library work. The motion to appoint Smoak Continued On Page 6

## Library Entered During Week End; Only \$1 Is Taken

A mysterious break-in at the county library, which netted unidentified "thieves" a total of \$1, occurred here on Sunday night. The "uninformed" culprits completely overlooked 49 cents in change which had been left in desk drawers at the building.

Mrs. Luke Bethune, county librarian stated that she was awakened early Monday morning by the janitor at the county office building who informed her that a break-in had occurred: "I went downtown later and arrived at about the same time as the police," she said.

The thieves gained access to the building by removing the screens from the library, according to Mrs. Bethune. "Magazines on the desk just beside the window were 'well, just scattered all over the place,' she stated. The windows have never had adequate locking device, according to Mrs. Bethune.

Chief Stanton is said to believe that the incident was the result of "youngsters looking for excitement." The "thieves" have not been located, as yet. The vandals left the library by way of the library door, which was unlocked by them from the inside. It was the open door which aroused the attention of the janitor on Monday morning. The "thieves" overlooked, in addition to 49 cents in change, approximately \$35,000 in books.

## Child's Illness Said Meningitis; Only One



**Public Library Personnel**  
Mrs. Lee Cameron, left, and Mrs. Harry Greene, right, are shown in the Hoke County Public Library this week with Mrs. Luke Bethune, whose resignation as librarian was accepted by the library board of trustees Friday. Mrs. Cameron, bookmobile librarian, was selected by the board to succeed Mrs. Bethune when she stops at the end of January, and Mrs. Greene, who has been bookmobile assistant, will succeed Mrs. Cameron.

In addition to personnel problem, the board at its meeting Friday faced some difficult and as yet unsolved financial problems. Not being eligible for support from tax funds without a special election, the public library is in critical financial condition.

## Town Fathers Talk Of Trailer Zoning

The town board has directed Clerk Charles Morrison to investigate the practice of nearby communities in coping with the problem of "parked trailers" within the city limits. The location of these trailers has become something of a problem for the board and efforts are being made to govern the location of these "homes on wheels." The "city fathers" are anxious to see that owners of the trailers are not unduly inconvenienced in the future and desire to adopt a policy which will work to the benefit of both trailer owners and the town zoning commission.

A report is expected at the next meeting of the board on this problem. Morrison is expected to contact city zoning officials throughout the area before submitting his report to the board next month.

The trailer problem was but one of many items covered by the board at its meeting on Monday night. A new street for Raeford was another important issue which Mayor Alfred Cole and other members of the board found worthy of attention here last Monday. Neill McFayden, who owns a tract of land between Lamont and Oakwood, has agreed to deed a strip of land, between the two streets to the town, if the board will construct a paved street to join the two avenues. Arrangements are being made to provide a street, which are contingent upon the costs involved.

The board was also informed by the clerk that the ten year statute of limitations has run its course on debts owed to the town from unpaid taxes, and that debts totaling \$254.52, which had previously been owed to the town, are now unenforceable.

Mayor Cole announced that an increase in natural gas retail rates has been received from the North Carolina Natural Gas Corporation. The gas corporation has indicated to the board that increases from their supplier, and losses during the first year of operations, which were in excess of their estimates for this period, were responsible for the increase. The new rate increases will amount to approximately 87 cents per month, according to the president of the corporation. The rate increases have not been approved by the North Carolina Utilities Commission, but the expected increase will have to be met by the town in the event that the "price-hike" is approved by the commission.

The town board also announced at the meeting that Raeford has purchased a 1952 Chevrolet "Continued On Page 6"

## Danger Period For Others Thought To Be Nearing End

Cynthia Rowland, 13, daughter of Sgt. and Mrs. C. H. Rowland, who live at the Army ranger station on the Raeford-Vass road inside the Fort Bragg reservation, was sent to Womack Army Hospital at Fort Bragg Sunday night with what was diagnosed at the hospital Monday as infectious or contagious meningitis. Her condition was reported yesterday as greatly improved and it was thought that she would suffer no permanent after effects of the disease.

Cynthia was brought to Dr. Riley Jordan Friday night and he was told that she had been ill since Thursday, although she had attended school that day at Raeford Elementary School, where she is in the eighth grade.

Dr. Jordan said she had been nauseated and had fever and that he had given an antibiotic and that the next he heard was when he saw her on Sunday night and heard that her condition had not improved. He at that time diagnosed her illness as meningitis and sent her to the hospital.

In cooperation with Dr. Clifton Davenport, county health officer, eighth grade pupils Monday took their parents a note suggesting that measures be taken with family physicians to prevent the spread of the disease. These measures usually consist of sulfa drugs or other antibiotics. The doctors say that meningitis has an incubation period of from four to seven days, which should be about up by now, and that it is usually transmitted by "droplets," from a sneeze or cough, or by personal contact. Indirect transmission is considered unlikely.

The health department suggested that parents take children to their family physicians when symptoms of an upper respiratory infection appear. These are usually upset stomach, fever, headache, stiff neck. No further cases have made their appearance in the county according to the health department, and while Army doctors now state that they have not isolated the germ, local physicians feel that all measures taken in preventing the spread of the infection were necessary.

## To Face Judge For Cutting Saturday

Rufus McRae, colored, 59, was released from the Hoke County jail under bond Sunday and has been charged with assault with a deadly weapon. He admits cutting William Wade, also colored and also about 60, with a switch blade early Saturday night.

The cutting, investigated by Deputies Dave Barrington and Jesse Lee, took place at the home of Sarah Livingston just east of the North Main Street extension. Due to Wade's excessive bleeding he was at first thought to have been hurt worse than he was. Sent to a hospital, he was soon sewed up and back.

## Hoke Teams Defeat Hamlet

Hoke High School's fighting Bucks used the same rugged determination that has characterized their play throughout the season to overcome Hamlet Tuesday night in a contest that remained undecided until the closing seconds of the game. Jimmy Guin, a clutch player all season, cinched the game for Raeford over the Hamlet squad had pulled within three points of a tie with 18 seconds remaining in the game. With 14 seconds still on the clock, Guin stuffed one through the nets after stealing the ball from a pair of Hamlet guards and the contest was on ice. The final score stood at 37-46.

Raeford was never able to command a convincing lead in the battle which found virtually every member of the Hoke club lacking in height against the now fallen giants from Hamlet. The Raeford team made up for the lack of physical stature by evidencing the same type of "never say die" self-assurance that makes winners.

The winner in the Tuesday contest saw a slim eight point margin at half-time slashed to three points, late in the fourth quarter. It was then that Guin, who acted as though the play was pre-ordained, stole the ball from the befuddled Hamlet guards and made Raeford's victory a certainty.

The Raeford club came through with a remarkable shooting average of 48 percent from the floor in the Tuesday encounter. Hamlet had 35 percent in a losing cause. Scoring leaders for Raeford were Guin Upchurch, and Phillips who scored 17, 11, and 8 points, respectively. Byrd, with six, and McPhaul, with four, rounded off the Hoke scoring McPhaul and Upchurch were competent in their ability to grab the rebounds for the local club.

Larry Nunn led the team for the losers with 16 points for the evenings work.

**Girls Victorious**  
The Raeford girls took the measure of their opponents from Hamlet Tuesday in their contest which preceded the boys game. The local girls walked away with a 50-36 win over the Hamlet lassies. Evans McNeill, played her usual brilliant game in leading the local squad to their final margin of 14 points. Connie Culbreth and Ann Gatlin rounded off the Dea attack with 10 and 12 points. Guard Pam Loftus, Ann Livingston and Debra Hickey contributed to the winning cause with their defensive ability.

The Hoke High School Bucks have lost only one game during their effort for the season. The local club suffered their first setback against Wadesboro on Jan. 6 by a score of 57-50. The Hoke quintet takes on the Wadesboro squad again on Jan. 27. The Bucks have their next cage contest tomorrow night when they play Rockingham at the new Wake High School gymnasium. The Rockingham quintet has suffered defeats from both Asa and...

Scoring by Quarters

Raeford	7	14	9	16	46
Hamlet	5	8	13	22	37