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## Addenda...

By Paul Dickson

We don't ordinarily give our want ad customers as much for their money as the one about whom Lucy Gray Peebles wrote the following after it was called in this week, but I believe you will enjoy her handling of the subject, which follows.

This story is full of bull—according to a want ad appearing in the News-Journal, Farmer David Liles of Antioch has lost a sizeable item, but hard to find. The item—a 600-pound horned bull.

The animal was a brand new addition to the Liles farm. Who knows, he may not have liked the flock of new girl friends—or could he have been lonesome for his old flame. Anyway his lengthy visit began on a romantic Sunday afternoon, and Liles has been playing the part of detective for the past three days results without success.

Being, in his own words, "a plain dirt farmer," the loser offered no reward but said he would gladly pay the charges to anyone who would notify him at Red Springs, phone 5461, of the whereabouts of the hefty wanderer.

N. B. Blue got busy the other day when he heard about Grace Canaday of Hope Mills, and the campaign to raise funds for her to be sent to the International Games for the Deaf at Helsinki, Finland, in August. Grace, 21 is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Carson F. Canaday of Hope Mills, Rt. 1, and is part-time supervisor at the N. C. School for the Deaf at Morganton.

She is a track star, and is to compete in the 200 meter race, the broad jump, the high jump and the 400 meter relay. Minimum expenses for the trip had been estimated at about \$1,300, and Ray Reeve, sports director of the Raleigh Station, started a campaign asking the public to send in contributions of \$1 each for the fund.

Reeve had received something over \$2,600 at last reports and due to Bonnie Blue's efforts, at least \$25 of it came from here, for that's how much Blue got together and sent Reeve. Contributing were W. B. Heyward, J. D. McMillan, A. A. Graham, A. G. Drake, W. L. Poole, C. R. Sullivan, D. B. McFadyen, R. L. Hales, W. L. Howell, W. P. Baker, Allen McDonald, W. T. Gibson, Jr., Graham Clark, Mildred Oliver, H. D. Harrison, Jr., Luke McNeill, Ed McNeill, D. H. Hodgin, M. D. Yates, Archie Byrne, T. B. Lester, Homer McPhaul, Paul Dickson, J. W. McGuinn and N. B. Blue.

Thanks to Mrs. R. A. Matheson for a contribution to The News-Journal Cemetery Fund in the amount of \$10. You can send yours any time, now, if you haven't this year, for the grass is beginning to grow.

## around.... town

With Sam Morris

The warm days we have been having lately makes one want to get out and throw the old horsehide around. Times have changed the popularity of a number of sports in the past few years. Baseball was the principal topic of any group of men or boys not too many years ago when spring came around and the big leaguers headed for Florida for Spring training. Arguments would take place about who would win the grapefruit league, pennant and World Series. The old men and just-out-of-schoolers would take on the local high school team in a practice game or two and would hobble around with sore muscles for a few days. But this would lead up to the start of a semi-pro league in the summer for surrounding towns.

The baseball bug doesn't bite now like it used to. Track has taken some of the boys away from the diamond. Yes what was the national game has lost much here in Hoke County.

Another sport that has declined is boxing. A number of years ago when a heavy weight championship fight was scheduled there would be considerable discussion about it on the streets and in different stores and filling stations in town. The fight Monday night didn't seem to bring about the hot debates and small wagers. (Continued on Page 6)

## Jubilee Service Will Hear Depp



DR. MARK DEPP  
... Jubilee Speaker

Dr. Mark Depp of Winston-Salem will be the featured speaker at the religious service, May 13, which will launch the Hoke County Golden Jubilee.

Dr. Depp was born in Punsunawney, Pa., and has been pastor at Centenary Methodist Church in Winston-Salem since 1945.

Active in many civic organizations, and public functions, he has preached and delivered addresses at a large number of colleges and is in great demand for pastors' schools, preaching missions, and summer assemblies. He has appeared on programs at Lake Junaluska, and Massanetta Springs, Va.

He is a member of the Rotary and Torch clubs and the Winston-Salem Housing Authority.

After graduating from the School of Theology, Dr. Depp entered the Baltimore Conference and several churches in Virginia, Maryland and the District of Columbia. He was also an army chaplain in World War I. He was a member of the General Conference and Jurisdictional Conference, 1944, and for the ensuing quadrennium, a member of the committee on the Crusade for Christ and the Commission on World Peace.

Dr. Depp received his doctor of divinity degree from Allegheny College.

The Rev. W. B. Heyward, chairman of the Jubilee's "Faith of Our Father's" religious service, said that the event will take place at the ball park at 8:15 p.m. Some 2,000 people are expected to be in attendance.

Assisting the chairman in securing the outstanding speaker were the Reverends Kermit Wheeler and John Glenn.

## Mrs. R. L. Calder Dies At Her Home

Mrs. Rosa Lee Calder, 65, of Rt. 2, Raeford, was buried Saturday in the church cemetery of Ephesus Baptist, following services conducted by Rev. James Purcell and Rev. E. C. Taylor.

She died Thursday afternoon from "a self-inflicted gunshot wound," according to County Coroner William Berry, who made the ruling.

Relatives of the deceased told Coroner Barry that she had been "somewhat depressed and withdrawn in recent weeks."

Mrs. Calder is survived by one son, Robert O. Woodcox, of Rt. 2, one brother, L. A. Sandy, of Rt. 2, one sister, Mrs. J. P. Jernigan, of Norfolk, Va.; one half-sister, Mrs. Jannie Shaw, Rt. 2; and seven grandchildren.

## Antique Meeting Set For So. Pines

The fourth annual Antiques Fair will be held in Southern Pines at the Armory March 22, 23 and 24.

Hours each day will be from 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Dealers from 10 states will be on hand with a display of their most exclusive furniture, glassware and jewelry.

Officials of the historical society said that the show has greatly increased in popularity since the first event three years ago.

Proceeds from the show go to the Moore County Historical Association, Inc.

Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Gentry and children spent the week end in Roxboro with their parents, Mrs. Frank Hedrick and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Stewart.

## Mrs. Greene Hurt As Bookmobile Hits Bumpy Road

The condition of Mrs. Harry A. (Hazel) Greene was much improved Wednesday in Moore County Hospital at Pinehurst, according to relatives.

Mrs. Greene, bookmobile librarian, suffered a head injury Monday when a sudden stop of the vehicle caused the folding seat in which she was riding to pitch forward, throwing her to the floor.

Mrs. Lee Cameron, Hoke County librarian, said that Mrs. Lacy McFadyen, driver of the bookmobile, told her that in meeting a school bus on a narrow road, she had pulled over to the edge of the pavement where she was forced to stop suddenly to avoid hitting a washout.

Mrs. Greene, taken by ambulance to the hospital, remained unconscious until Tuesday morning.

The accident occurred about 3:45 p.m. Monday while the two were serving the Blue Springs route. They were approaching their next stop at the home of Mrs. John Russell.

Mrs. Greene has been an employee at the library for the past 3 1/2 years. According to Mrs. Cameron, the greater part of the library circulation is done through the bookmobile service. The accident is being investigated by Highway Patrolman W. T. Herbin.

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## Highway Figures

Three people were killed in 20 highway accidents which occurred in Hoke County during the first two months of 1961, according to a report released by the N. C. Highway Patrol this week.

In the same 20 accidents, 13 persons were injured. Property damage amounted to \$15,735.

These statistics do not include the March 4 accident in which Johnny Sams lost his life, and two others were injured.

Ten of the accidents occurred during January. During this month six were injured and two killed. Property damage was estimated to be \$9,075 for January.

## Ashley Heights Meeting Friday

A baked turkey and chicken supper will be served at the Ashley Heights Community House this Friday from 5 to 7 p.m., under the auspices of the Ashmont Home Demonstration Club.

Mrs. R. M. Hooper, "Quewhiffie's chief cook" is in charge of the meal. Proceeds will go toward the purchase of a kitchen range for the Community Building.

Plates will be prepared to be taken out if desired.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Stokes and daughter of Charlotte were week end guests of Mrs. Stokes' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert McKeithan. Mr. and Mrs. Herbert McKeithan, Jr. and children of Laurinburg were here Sunday for the day.

## Hoke Lawmakers Gather Opinions On Terry's Tax



**HARD DECISION** — Dwan Upchurch, 3, taking a ride in the grocery store, ponders the hard question of eating versus learning, reading versus chewing, and grits versus books. She is the daughter

of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Upchurch. Cheer up, Dwan, your elders are pondering the Governor's food tax proposal just as hard.

(Staff Photo)

## Legislators Make Careful Sounding

Hoke County legislators came home from Raleigh last weekend to take public soundings on the proposal to place a three percent sales tax on food to finance education improvements. (See cartoon on page 2.)

Both Senator J. B. Thomas and Rep. Neill L. McFadyen agreed the food tax, suggested by Governor Terry Sanford, faced rough sledding in the General Assembly.

Thomas noted that he had found just a few folks in the County in favor of the Governor's tax program. He added: "The majority are opposed to it, some very strongly so. But, of course, everybody is opposed to some kind of tax."

Rep. McFadyen expressed the same thoughts, though in somewhat different vein.

"I found some in favor of the food tax, and right many against," McFadyen said. And like his senior colleague in the General Assembly, the local leader noted that "all taxes are unpopular."

The chief difference between the two lawmakers was that Senator Thomas questioned the need for more educational revenues. "I don't know that they have to have it," he said.

McFadyen, on the other hand, said: "It's necessary to raise more funds from somewhere," and he complimented the Governor for "right good nerve."

There was general agreement on the possible alternatives to a tax on food. The first item on the list was a tobacco tax but, as Thomas said, "I'd hate to put a tax on tobacco."

In addition to that kind of an objection, Rep. McFadyen posed the problem of "inadequate revenue" from a tobacco tax. It has been estimated that a tax of two

## Housewives Have Their Say On Sanford Food Tax Plan

Hoke County housewives, questioned at a local grocery store Friday, showed strongly mixed feelings towards the proposal Terry Sanford to put a three percent sales tax on food.

Typical of this majority group was Mrs. Edward Britt who, when first asked for comment on the Sanford proposal, said: "Oh, I don't hardly know."

Mrs. Britt then added: "The schools need to do something, but on the other hand, we're taxed to death now." She is the mother of two children, age 11 and 12, and her husband is employed at Pacific Mill.

A different point of view was offered by Mrs. B. G. Niven, whose husband owns a local service station. She indicated her opposition to the food tax proposal and felt that it would "put a crimp" in her buying. "We don't have children," she explained.

Also opposed to the food tax plan was the lone male customer in the store at that time—E. R. Thomasson. He showed a News-

Journal representative a petition he was circulating. When the petition is completed, Thomasson will send it to Hoke County lawmakers, Sen. J. B. Thomas and Neill L. McFadyen. The petition opposes a food tax.

Thomasson is a retired railroad worker, and he indicated his deep concern that folks living on pensions would find the three percent tax on groceries too burdensome. (See editorial page for a letter to the editor from Thomasson.)

Mrs. Joe Upchurch, mother of little Dwan Upchurch pictured above, said she was not in favor of taxing either food or medicine.

The possibility, that Hoke County schools were so outstanding they might not need an expanded program, was raised by Mrs. Julius F. Jordan. She said, "We're pretty well-fixed here in Hoke County. Of course, I don't know about the rest of the State, and I suppose there's room for improvement."

Mrs. Jordan also believes that,

"If they don't put a tax on food, they'll put it somewhere else. She and her husband, a local dentist, have three children, two girls and a boy.

Mrs. Marcus R. Smith shifted a bag of groceries at the checkout counter and said, "I would hope there was another way than a tax on food." She has children attending Flora McDonald College and UNC Woman's College in Greensboro.

A final (and different) view point was presented by the manager of the store. "It'll be a hard pill swallow," he said, "but if you want to know the truth it will be easier from an administrative point of view."

The manager explained that, under the present system, a few items are hit with the sales tax. The girls at the cash register must nimbly remember what those items are, and figure them separately. Under the Sanford proposal, all of the grocery store items would receive the same treatment—a three percent tax on the retail price.



SEN. J. B. THOMAS  
... Majority Opposed

cents on each package of cigarettes would bring in only \$3 million a year to the State coffers, while the Sanford program would raise about \$33 million.

McFadyen also posed the alternative of an increase in the sales tax rate to four percent, retaining the present exemptions.

A crown tax on soft drinks was mentioned by Thomas. The Senator suggested that it might even be possible and desirable to levy a one percent tax on groceries "so everybody can take part."

After a solid weekend of phone conversations and street corner

## Forest Ranger Warns Of Fire Danger That Is Acute These Days

Extremely high winds have greatly increased the danger of forest fires in Hoke County, county forester, Benny McLeod, said, and the N. C. Division of Forestry has found it necessary to operate a motor patrol of Rangers in the Antioch, Dundergrach and Bowmore vicinities to maintain a constant watch for fires.

The ground patrol has been supported by a Forest Service aircraft which has circled over Hoke and Robeson counties for the past week and will continue to do so as long as forest fire danger remains critical in the area.

Anyone convicted of intentionally and maliciously setting fire to grass, brush lands or woodlands is subject to five years in the state prison, McLeod noted.

"These forests have contributed a large amount of income to Hoke County citizens in the past and will continue to do so if fires are kept to a minimum,"

he said.

Valuable pine stands or seedling plantings may be protected by maintenance of a fire lane around them at least 10 feet wide, McLeod suggested. These lines should be kept free of any material such as grass, leaves, brush, etc., that will burn.

Landowners should impress upon tenants the importance of protecting woodland from fire, he added. Many tenants have burned off valuable pine stands this year, believing they were doing the landowner a favor, he said.

Of special interest to persons who have planted tree seedlings under the Agricultural Conservation Program, or Conservation Reserve, is the fact that unless adequate fire lanes are maintained around these planted areas it is unlikely that any government repayment will be made for resetting them if the area should be destroyed by fire, McLeod concluded.

## C. W. Childress Buried Monday

Funeral services for Carl Wesley Childress, 66, who died Saturday at Moore Memorial Hospital, were conducted Monday at Raeford Presbyterian Church by the Rev. W. B. Heyward, pastor, assisted by the Rev. Kermit Wheeler, pastor of Raeford Methodist Church. Burial was in the Raeford Cemetery.

Childress was born in Surry County, S. C., and had been in the livestock business here for about 20 years.

Survivors are his wife, Mecie Elizabeth Childress; three daughters, Mrs. Hinton Faircloth of Fayetteville, Rt. 4, Mrs. J. T. Lee of Raeford, Rt. 1, and Rebecca Childress of the home; two sons, Reid Childress of Wagram, and Warren Childress of Raeford; two brothers, Howard Childress of Pleasant Gardens and Paul Childress of Greensboro; one sister, Mrs. Lester Cantor of Brown Summit; and eight grandchildren.



REP. MCFADYEN  
... Right Good Nerve

McFadyen summed it up: "I haven't decided yet," he said, "just how I'm going to cast my vote." He has a list of companies in that respect as the General Assembly continues to wrestle with the Governor's hot points.



**LION OF THE YEAR**—Marvin Pinson (R) receives the coveted award from Lion Ray Kluttz, president of the local civic club. Pinson, employed at Pacific

Mills, is presently serving as District Chairman of the North Carolina Eye Bank for Restoring Sight. Pinson is married, with two sons.