



SOON FORGOTTEN--This bedraggled snowman, once clad in a fiery red blazer, with head held high, was soon forgotten after warm sunshine melted the head and left the torso standing, like the ghost in Tam O'Shanter, amid strewn toys Sunday afternoon in Robbins Heights. Saturday's snowstorm dumped about three inches of snow on the area, but by late Sunday afternoon, it had melted from all but shaded spots.

New Lights Installed In Town

Fourteen new street lights of the mercury vapor type have been installed in Raeford within the past few days.

They bring the total of 7,000 candlepower lights to 179, plus 29 on Main Street with 29,000 and 19 of another type, bringing the total to 237. The mercury lights cost the town \$3.05 each per month.

Of the new additions, four were placed in Robbins Heights, four on North Main, three on Harris Avenue and Wright Street, one at McCluchlin Chapel, and one at the corner of Roberts Street and Harris Avenue.

The lights were installed at the suggestion of engineers who conducted a survey here.

It also was announced by Ed Williams, town manager, that the town board will meet Monday night and will adopt a bond and election ordinance on the proposed \$700,000 sanitary sewer bond issue.

Funeral Held For McNeill

Funeral services for Paul Thomas McNeill Sr., 61, of Durham, who died Tuesday, were conducted at 11 a. m. Friday at the Apex Funeral Chapel.

He is a brother of Mrs. Mary Lee Cides of Raeford.

Other survivors are his wife, Mrs. Edith McNeill; two sons, Paul McNeill Jr., of Durham, Charles Belvin McNeill of Washington; one daughter, Patricia Ann McNeill of the home; three brothers, James McNeill of Apex, Leslie McNeill and Carlton McNeill, both of Candler, and three grandchildren.

Hoke Soldier Pays For Overseas News

He was as good as his word, David E. Bullard, a former Hoke county student, wrote The News-Journal from Vietnam many months ago and asked that the paper be sent to him. He would come by and pay for it when he got home, he said.

The unusual request was carried to Publisher Paul Dickson who said, "send it on." The boy came home and he came in last week to pay up. "The boys over there just couldn't make it without mail," he declared. As for him, he had a girl and a mother to write him, but The News-Journal supplied that something extra, he said.

Bullard, drafted on August 22, was in Vietnam six months later. Among the lucky, unlucky ones, he was placed in a quartermaster outfit. He was not in the firing line, but his duty was not pleasant. It fell his lot to identify the dead and to fill out the death certificates.

Once, he didn't have to refer to records to make the identification. The body was that of a friend. The friend was a North Carolina boy from Fairmont.

The young soldier says his time of military service is due to be up in a few months, but a close friend has already been sent back to the war zone for a second time. So, Bullard is waiting to see what his own fate will be.



DAVID E. BULLARD

LEGALS

So do the party seeking service against you will apply to the Court for the relief sought. Done this the 21 day of Feb., 1968.

E. E. Smith, Clerk of the District Court HOSTETLER, McNEILL & WILCOX ATTORNEYS AT LAW RAEFORD, N. C. 42-43C

CREDITORS NOTICE NORTH CAROLINA HOKE COUNTY

The undersigned, having qualified as Administratrix of the Estate of Nanette Chisholm, deceased, late of Hoke County, this is to notify all persons having claims against said Estate to present them to the undersigned on or before the 22nd day of August, 1968, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said Estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned.

This, the 20th day of February, 1968, Katie Potter Route 2, Box 271 Raeford, North Carolina 28376 MOSES & MOSES ATTORNEYS AT LAW 114 East Edinborough Avenue Raeford, North Carolina 41-44C

NOTICE OF SALE NORTH CAROLINA HOKE COUNTY

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain Deed of Trust executed by Alton W. Owens and wife, Janice S. Owens, dated the 7th day of December, 1964, to Bobby Burns McNeill and A. J. Rainwater, Jr. Trustees, and recorded in Book 132, Page 553 in the Office of the Register of Deeds of Hoke County, North Carolina, and subsequently assumed by Wilson Horne and wife, Louise Moore Horne, and default having been made in payment of the indebtedness there secured, and said Deed of Trust being by the terms thereof subject to foreclosure, the undersigned Trustees will offer for sale at public auction to the highest bidder for cash at the courthouse door in Raeford, Hoke County, North Carolina at 12:00 o'clock Noon on the 18th day of March, 1968, property conveyed in said Deed of Trust, the same lying and being in the Town of Raeford, County of Hoke, and State of North Carolina, and more particularly described as follows:

In the Town of Raeford, situated on the North side of Fifth Avenue, adjoining the lands of Robinson, Epstein and others, and described in meters and bounds as follows:

BEGINNING at an iron stake in the northern edge of Fifth Avenue, said stake being 5 82-30 E 220 feet from where the northern edge of Fifth Avenue intersects with the eastern edge of Green Street, and runs thence N 1-30 E 200 feet; thence S 88-30 E 55 feet; thence S 1-30 W 200 feet to Fifth Avenue; thence with the northern edge of Fifth Avenue N 88-30 W 55 feet to the point of BEGINNING, and being the same property received by Harold L. Gillis and wife, Peggy M. Gillis, in Book 128, Page 580, of Hoke County Public Registry.

This property will be sold subject to any outstanding City and County taxes, if any.

CASH DEPOSIT: Ten per cent (10%) on the first \$1,000.00 bid and five per cent (5%) on any additional amount bid will be required at the sale.

This, the 10th day of February, 1968.

BOBBY BURNS MCNEILL, TRUSTEE A. J. RAINWATER, JR., TRUSTEE HOSTETLER, McNEILL & WILCOX ATTORNEYS AT LAW RAEFORD, N.C. 41-44C

CREDITORS NOTICE

Having qualified as Administrator of the estate of Ann Marsh Tadlock, deceased, late of Hoke County, this is to notify all persons having claims against said estate to present them to the undersigned on or before August 15, 1968 or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned.

This the 15th day of February, 1968, Charles A. Hostetler, Administrator Hostetler, McNeill & Wilcox Attorneys-At-Law Raeford, N.C. 40-43C

CREDITORS NOTICE

Having qualified as administrator of the estate of Flora McNeill Boyce, deceased, late of Hoke County, this is to notify all persons having claims against said estate to present them to the undersigned on or before August 8, 1968 or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned.

This the 8th day of February, 1968, K. A. MacDonald Administrator Raeford, N. C. 29-42C

Hoke Gets Air Force Recruiter

Technical Sergeant Charles B. Denison has recently been assigned to Raeford area as Air Force Recruiter.

He will be in the "hoke"

County Selective Service Office each Wednesday between 9 and 11 a.m.

Denison is a veteran of 13 years in the Air Force and an honor graduate of the Air Force Recruiters School.

"The Air Force is centering its search towards filling the more than 140 different positions now open to young ladies

in the Air Force," he said.

The positions, the sergeant said, are of "the highest quality" and are open to women that are high school or college graduates. There is also great demand for registered nurses.

The sergeant can be seen here each Wednesday or can be contacted at P.O. Box 554, Fayetteville. Telephone 483-8608.

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People can't easily buy what you have if they don't know you have it.

The News-Journal

Agronomist Gives Tips On Best Use Of Seed

Builders say that a good house always starts with a good blueprint. Successful farmers, on the other hand, say that a good crop always starts with good seed.

Despite what successful farmers say, and do, many farmers and home gardeners are failing to recognize the importance of good seed. As a result, they are not getting all of the advantages that science has bred into modern seed.

One person who is particularly concerned about the seed problem in North Carolina is Gene Sullivan, extension seed specialist at North Carolina State University.

Sullivan has seven simple rules which he believes will help people get more mileage out of seed. They apply to the farmer who is planting 400 acres of corn as well as the housewife who is planting a row of okra.

First, says Sullivan, read the seed tag. See what the tag says about the germination and purity of the seed. A person's best bet is to buy certified seed where possible.

Second, buy seed from a reputable dealer. About 4,000 people are licensed to sell seed North Carolina. Most of them know their seed; some of them don't.

Third, start with a "high potential" seed of a recommended variety. See that the seed are treated for protection against disease.

Fourth, prepare a good seedbed. Seed are sensitive. They need a "good community" in which to start their life.

Fifth, plant the correct rate of seed per acre or unit of ground. Plant when the soil temperature and moisture are best.

Sixth, Use the right kind of planter and keep it properly adjusted. Don't plant too fast. See that the seed are placed at the proper depth.

Seventh, follow the recommended practices throughout the growing season.

Sullivan says that if farmers and gardeners will follow these seven simple steps that they will have only one more chore to perform, and that is to harvest a bumper crop.

Someone has suggested that the burning theological question today is not so much, "Is God dead?" but "Why isn't he more prompt?"

What they mean, of course, is that faith is more surely threatened when God seems to delay in answering our prayers. Many may doubt not so much his existence as his love. "If God really cares," we ask, "then where is the help I need?"

We sense some of this same attitude in the hearts of Martha and Mary. Anxiously they waited for Jesus to come while their brother's life ebbed ever lower. Often when human help fails to come, it is the result of someone's negligence or some other human failure. But it is not this in Jesus's case. The delay is purposeful: "So when he heard that he was ill, he stayed two days longer in the place where he was" (John 11:6 RSV).

If, as John says, Jesus loved Martha, Mary, and Lazarus, then why did he delay? That's a strange way to show love! When at last Jesus arrives in Bethany, there seems to be a thinly-disguised reproach in Martha's voice: "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died" (John 11:21 RSV). Apparently others felt the same thing, for as Jesus is led to the tomb of Lazarus, a bystander asks: "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?" (John 11:37 RSV). The question seems fair enough, like some which we ourselves have perhaps asked.

So why does the Master delay? Jesus says to his disciples: "Lazarus is dead, and for your sake I am glad that I was not there, so that you may believe." By the time the messenger arrives with news of Lazarus's sickness, Jesus knows that his friend has died in the meantime. There is no need to rush off to Bethany to save a life that already is gone. Therefore, Jesus' delay was partly dependent upon the fact that he knew what the others did not know.

So it may be with our prayers to God. We pray in our ignorance, but he answers them out of the context of his divine knowledge and wisdom. What we may ask may not be really wise or good in the long run. He gives his children what they need, not necessarily what they ask for. Cannot all of us say, "Thank God I have not received all from God that I have asked for?"

For example, a boy and a girl break off their engagement. Later the girl has a change of heart and begins to pray that God will lead her ex-fiancee back to her. Not an unreasonable desire, until she learns that he has since married someone else!

When Jesus arrives at the tomb, he does not ask God to do anything. Instead he thanks God

Sunday School Lesson

Faulty MUFFLERS ARE Hazardous! (particularly for winter driving)

Niven's Esso

10 Minute Muffler Check May Save Your Life!

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