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Wants Funds To Operate

Chamber Launches Drive For Members

Raeford-Hoke Chamber of Commerce this week began a concerted membership drive and came up with 146 new members. The addition brought the total membership from 84 to 129.

The chamber drive began on the heels of the resignation of Jim Fout, chamber manager for the past four years. Fout explained that he was leaving for a position with a federal agency and will have offices in Carthage.

A lack of funds in the chamber treasury to continue operations at the present budget pace also was cited by Fout as a primary reason for his resignation.

Wyatt Upchurch, chamber president, said this week that officers and directors of the chamber are "extremely appreciative" of what Fout has meant "to the chamber and the community."

Fout will continue to work with the chamber on Saturdays and at night until a qualified replacement can be assured, Upchurch said.

"We want to compliment Jim highly for the splendid representation he has given Raeford and Hoke County and for the excellence of his job performance," Upchurch said.

The current membership drive is being conducted by directors of the chamber, who have concentrated on signing industrial and business members, as well as individuals and professional people.

While the chamber has but one class of membership (and Upchurch stressed that the organization is interested only in "active members"), its dues are based on type business, size of work force, and gross volume.

"I also would like to thank members and directors of the chamber for the splendid manner in which they have conducted the membership drive up to this point," Upchurch said.

Fout said the chamber requires about \$18,000 a year to operate and currently is about \$6,000 behind such a schedule. Without a full-time director, at least \$11,000 a year would be required to operate the chamber and the automobile license bureau, which it does under contract with the state. Following is a list, by classification, of members of the chamber:

Membership By Category

Individuals:

Mrs. J. M. Andrews, Daniel E. Baker, Talmadge Baker, Robert Gatlin,

Josephine Hall, Mabel McDonald, Neill McFadyen, Mayor McLean, Charles E. Morrison, Anton Primaky, Wendell Young, Neill J. Blue, Donald Abernethy.

BUSINESSES:

Amusements - Entertainment - Recreation - Raeford Pool Room, Arabia Golf Course.

Barber Shops - Beauty Shops - Louise's Beauty Shop, Johnson's Style Salon, Bluemont Beauty Shop, Sports Barber Shop, Hotel Barber Shop, Edmund Style Salon.

Construction - Speros' Construction Co., Carolina Turf.

Financial - Investment - Finance Companies

Hotels - Motels - Apartments

RETAILERS

Carter's Tire Recapping Co., City Market, Farm Service Co., Hoke Drug Co., Home Food Market, Howell Drug Co., The Johnson Co., C.P. Long's Bait & Tackle Shop, McDonald's Tire Recapping, McLaughlin Co., Inc., Pope's Inc. of Raeford, Raeford Hardware, Raeford Lumber Co., Southeastern Business Equipment, Inc., Theresa's Dress Shop,

Western Auto, Wood's Grocery, McLean Flower Shop, Allen's Ltd. Harry's 5 & 10, Griffin Fabric Shop, Raeford Floral Co., Dundarrach Trading Co., R. L. Long Grocery, Raeford Super Market, Sears Catalog Sales, Niven's Appliance & Furn. Store.

AUTOMOTIVE DEALERS - (USED) Quality Motors

AUTOMOTIVE DEALERS - (NEW) Hoke Auto Company, Raeford Auto Company.

RESTAURANTS - CAFES The Family Restaurant.

SERVICES - (LAUNDRIES - CLEANERS - SERVICE STATIONS - REPAIR SHOPS

City Cleaners, Conoly's Easo, Graham's Service Station, Mac's Welding Shop, Niven's Easo Service, Woodell Upholstery Shop, Clark's Gulf, Jackie Maxwell Raeford Cleaners, Raeford Plumbing & Heating, Irby Exterminators, Travelers Service Station, Webb's Tire Service, Hugh's Texaco, Averitt Pure Oil Station, Carson Davis, Hoke Texaco, Willis &

McNeill, Auto Inn.

INSURANCE AND REAL ESTATE Autsin Insurance, Avery Connell Insurance, Nationwide Insurance, W. L. Poole Agency, Town & Country Realty, Best Insurance, Wilton Wood Inc., Jerry Goza, Ins., Service Insurance.

PROFESSIONAL (DOCTORS - LAWYERS - ARCHITECTS - ENGINEERS - CPA

Mrs. Reid Childress, Joseph Dupree, A. K. Lovin, Phil Diehl, William L. Moses, Hostetter, McNeill & Wilcox, Raeford Medical Group.

TRANSPORTATION (RAIL - BUS - AIR - TRUCKING Laurinburg & Southern RR, Aberdeen & Rockfish RR.

CHAIN STORES A & P, Collins, Belks.

MANUFACTURERS AND PROCESSORS

Hoke Cotton Warehouse, Hoke Oil & Fertilizer, Raeford Turkey Farms, Inc., (See CHAMBER, Page 11)



TESTING - At Bobby Gibson's farm, a state soil fertilization test has failed to render the desired results two years in a row because of adverse weather conditions. Results of various ways of fertilizing sandy soil for growing cotton failed last year because cold and wet conditions in spring stopped the growth and the crop was lost. This year, mid and late summer drought was a hindrance. Shown here are Farm Agent W. S. Young assists two helpers by serving as a rack for the scales while a sample batch is being weighed. Gibson, and Dr. Jack Beard, at N. S. State University specialist, stand at the back of the truck.

Voter Registration Books To Open Saturday In Hoke

Voter Registration books will open Saturday, October 12, in Hoke County

Race Relations

Board Named

Hoke County commissioners Monday named a nine-man commission on human relations then were urged to "go even farther by participating yourselves in the work of the commission."

Not a woman was included on the panel, which has three members from each of the county's three major races.

The commission consists of Peter Dial Jr., the Rev. Joe Lowery and Robert Bullard, Indians; the Rev. Thomas D. Walker, Gilbert A. Robinson and James F. McGrover, Negroes; and the Rev. Cortez Alonzo Cooper Jr., Leonard Frahm and Harold Gillis, whites.

The commission was named after enabling actions were taken by the county and town boards of commissioners. It was first endorsed by an alliance of Negro ministers who have congregations in Hoke County, although several of them do not reside here.

One - the Rev. Mr. Walker - does. He is pastor of Piney Grove Baptist Church (See RELATIONS, Page 4)

for the first of three consecutive Saturdays according to John Scott Poole, chairman of the county board of elections.

Registrars will be at their precinct polling places each of the three Saturdays at 9 a.m. and will remain there until 6:30 p.m. During the week, voters may register at the homes of registrars during reasonable hours. Registrars who work will take the registration books to work with them.

Saturday registration days will be October 12, October 19 and October 26. Challenge day will be November 2.

Hoke County citizens who registered during this spring's registration period will not be required to sign again, Poole said, but he warned that all other voters must sign up under the new looseleaf registration system.

Hoke County registration books were wiped clean before this spring's primary elections. During the registration period, 5,072 voters re-registered - a record number for Hoke.

The vigorous interest was sustained through the primary elections, with the county rolling up a record 80 per cent participation at the polls.

Voter instruction periods will be conducted during the registration weeks

by some Negro leaders. Estimates are that registration here may climb past the 6,000 mark by November 5 and that all voting records for the county will be smashed in the presidential election.

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Delegation Objects To Plans For Camp

At its regular monthly meeting Monday, Hoke County Board of Commissioners learned from a distraught delegation from that area that the Burlington School building has been sold.

Mrs. Alex McCormick, accompanied by several from the Negro Community and by A. S. "Slim" Baldwin, a white resident, appealed to commissioners to put a stop to plans which they allege would make a "reformatory school" of the abandoned school to be started there by the Rev. Claudie Dial.

Unaware that the building had been disposed of, Chairman T. C. Jones sent

for D. D. Abernethy, superintendent of schools. He acknowledged that the building had been sold by private sale for \$6,500 after a high bid of \$2,500 at a public auction was rejected.

Mrs. McCormick insisted that the Rev. Mr. Dial had told her husband that he had purchased the building for \$30,000 and if this was true, they wanted to seek an injunction against the opening of a place for wayward boys in their midst.

Abernethy declared that there must be some misunderstanding because the sanitation department would not allow a

detention home there because of lack of land area.

The Rev. Mr. Dial, of Red Springs Rt. 1, a minister for the past 27 years, later sanctioned Mrs. McCormick's statement about the purchase. But he said the institution will be operated as a non-denominational Bible training center for boys. It will be known as The Lifeline Boys Bible Camp. The building is in Hoke County but is nearer to Red Springs than to Raeford.

The minister said further that about a year ago he had visualized such a training

United Fund Cuts Budget By \$2,000

A budget of \$20,000 (\$2,000 less than last year's) was adopted by United Fund board of directors, Thursday night, and Bobby Conoly was named chairman of the fund drive which will begin the last week in October.

New officers were elected, with Ed Murray taking the president's chair vacated by Wyatt Upchurch. W.T. McAllister was elected vice president and Mrs. O.B. Israel and Sam Morris were re-elected secretary and treasurer, respectively.

Conoly said that he would release names of various chairman and committee members as soon as they can be selected.

Major cuts came in scouting on the level. Instead of allotting the entire amount for use of the Girl Scout council, \$1,500 was this year budgeted for area use and \$500 will be kept for county use. Last year's total Girl Scout budget was \$2,400, with none left in the county.

The overall Boy Scout budget was cut by some \$1,600. Last year \$4,310.53 was sent to the area councils. This year \$500 will be kept for local use, \$1,500 will go to Cape Fear Area Council, and \$700 will go to Oconeechee Council. Last year's total Boy Scout budget of \$2,400 was sent in its entirety to the area councils.

The remainder of the agencies were budgeted as follows after hearings with respective officials were held.

Red Cross \$4,130; White Cane (Lions program for blind) \$500; Four-H Clubs \$350; Carolinas United \$1,941.63; Community Development \$1,000; Crippled Children (local) \$200; County Recreation Program \$4,800; Senior Citizens \$125; Needy Children (School) \$500 and Emergency, Shrinkage and office expense \$1,753.37.

The fund for needy children was reduced because of an increase of government funds coming into the area to be used in this area.

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ED MURRAY

BOBBY CONOLY

Dr. Jordan's Son Is Seriously Hurt

Robert Jordan, seven-year-old son of Dr. and Mrs. Riley M. Jordan, was seriously injured here Saturday afternoon when he apparently dashed into the path of an automobile and was struck.

Police Chief L. W. Stanton and Assistant Chief Sam Motley identified driver of the car as Gerald Wright of Raeford.

They said their investigation revealed the Jordan youth and several of his friends were playing in mid-afternoon just

off Bethel Road near the UniRoyal plant. When the Wright vehicle approached on the residential street, young Jordan, apparently without sensing danger, darted onto the pavement.

The officers said evidence at the scene indicated Wright tried to "dodge" the youngster and that he "slammed on brakes," causing the automobile to skid sidewise.

The youngster was knocked, dragged (See HURT, Page 4)

mission and had set out to organize what is now known as the Southeastern Evangelistic Fellowship. The body was chartered through the N. C. Secretary of State's office and plans are to invest \$50,000 in the institution.

"We plan to build a swimming pool and to establish pony stables for recreation. Boys of all races will be eligible to attend. There will be 10-day courses and courses which will continue for several weeks. Evangelistic services will be held nightly," Dial said.