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Around Town

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This column will be filled this week with two letters received during the past weekend.

The first is from L. Starr McMillan, Jr., New Hanover County Coroner in Wilmington and a native of Raeford. Also was enclosed a clipping from a Wilmington paper. The letter is as follows:

Sam:
Thought you and some of the older Raeford folks might be interested in Henry. Mrs. Craig is Henry's youngest daughter, Dorcas. He's still in the promotion business and seems to be doing pretty good. But Henry could sell electric blankets in Hoke, anyway.

The Henry mentioned in the letter is Henry C. Bost who lived in Raeford during the 40's. He received an award of merit for faithful service to his church, the Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd. Below is his daughter Mrs. W.G. Craig presenting the award to Henry.



The other letter was from Debbie Anderson, local high school student, who is an exchange student to France this year. Debbie wrote the high school column for the paper last year. After her opening paragraph the letter is as follows:

Hello Raefordites!

It has been a long time since I last saw Raeford and since then I have seen and learned a lot. My plane landed at Le Bourget Airport in Paris at 5:30 a.m. August 12th. From there a bus transported the SAS students to the Paris School Affiliation Service office. There, one of the English teachers from the high school in Alencon, Anneke Coroller met me and took me to her apartment in Paris where I stayed for two days. During this time I saw a little of Paris - namely the Eiffel Tower and the Arc of Triumph. I ate lunch in one of the restaurants on the Eiffel Tower and at the Arc of Triumph. I saw the French Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. From the top of the Arc of Triumph, I was able to see a "Bird's Eye View" of Paris. After this I walked down the Champs - Elysees which is the main street of Paris! Late Wednesday afternoon we, Mme. Coroller and I, left Paris to go to Rouen. We stayed there 5 days. During this time I toured Rouen and the surrounding Normandy countryside, including some coastal towns.

Late Sunday night I saw Alencon for the first time. It is larger than Raeford, about 40,000 inhabitants and is a very busy place.

I stayed with two families before school started. One lives in Alencon and the other in a small town between Alencon and Le Mans. While I was with them, I visited Le Mont Saint Michel, a very beautiful chateau, and the place of debarkation of the allied troops during the war. One day me, and about eight other kids took a bicycle hike to a "nearby" lake for a picnic. This "nearby" lake was 25 kilometers (about 17 miles) away. The whole trip was about 35 miles long. But I have learned to try to "grin and bear" and "enjoy" things like that! Well this brings me up to the beginning of school - which I'll tell you about in the next letter! Anyone who would like to please write! F4 Rue de Bretagne, 61-Alencon France.

A Raefordite forever
Debbie Anderson

Booster Pep Rally

The Hoke High Booster Club asks that all Booster Club members and Bucks' fans attend a pep rally at the Hoke Athletic Field, Friday afternoon at 2:30.

Charlie Hottel said the pep rally was being staged to show the Bucks' fans in the area still have faith in the Bucks and their ability to finish the football season a winner.

"Take 15-20 minutes off from work and join the Hoke High School student body in boosting the Bucks past the Fighting Scots from Laurinburg," urged Hottel.

\$2,100 Stolen; Clerks Are Busy

Collins Department Store was the victim last Thursday of a lunch hour theft involving more than \$2,100.

Between noon and 12:30, someone came into the store, opened the cash drawer at the main desk, and removed all the \$5, 10, and 20 dollar bills.

"Someone just walked in and helped themselves" lamented Collin's manager Irvin Hubbard.

The three clerks in the store were all busy and failed to see anyone at the desk. The desk was left unattended for 20 to 30 minutes.

Hubbard explained that the store regularly kept large amounts of cash on Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays so they could cash pay checks for their customers.

The theft is the second to occur at Collin's of this type in the last year and a half. Hubbard indicated that security measures in the store would be strengthened to prevent any more thefts in the future.

School Men After Funds In Washington

Donald Abernethy, Superintendent of Hoke County Schools, and R. L. Gibson, member of the Hoke County School Board, were in the nation's Capitol, Monday, to confer with North Carolina Congressman Alton Lennon.

The two school officials from Hoke were in Washington to see what they could do to help unlock some federal funds that have been cut off by the Nixon Administration.

Prior to this year, the federal government supplemented school systems for each child in the system, whose parent, or parents worked on federal property.

This supplement has amounted to between \$40,000 and \$45,000 to the school system of Hoke County in past years.

Abernethy and Gibson, along with school officials all across the United States, are working to get the funds back.

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Mystery Surrounds Girl's Disappearance

Donald Locklear, 21 year old youth, from the South Hoke area of Hoke County was taken into custody by sheriff's deputies, Monday night, and charged with contributing to the delinquency of a minor.

Locklear was seen leaving a church in the South Hoke area with Jennifer Locklear after evening church services. Miss Locklear has not been seen by her mother since. She is the 14-year-old daughter of Mrs. Marianne Locklear, who lives in the vicinity of Lowery's Chapel.

Sheriff Dave Barrington asks that anyone who has seen Jennifer Locklear, or knows anything of her whereabouts, contact the Sheriff's Office.

On Saturday afternoon, John Clifton Monroe was arrested for allegedly shooting his wife, Annie Mae Monroe, during a family dispute.

Mrs. Monroe was taken to Moore Memorial Hospital for treatment of two gunshot wounds; one in the back of her head and one in her back. At last report, the bullets had not yet been removed.

Monroe has been charged with assault with a deadly weapon with intent to kill. A hearing in District Court has been scheduled for October 10.

Norman Smith was struck in the head with an axe Saturday during a family squabble. The wound required 32 stitches to close.

Smith, apparently did not see his assailant. No warrant has been issued in connection with the assault on Smith.

Smith, however was charged with destroying personal property, and his wife, Helen was charged with assault on Annie McFadyen.

Warlick is one of four servicemen from Hoke County to be killed in action in the Vietnam War. Jerome McCormick, Kenneth Floyd and John Pratt have also given their lives in Vietnam in defense of their country.

Warlick was born in Raeford on May 1, 1945. He was a star football player for Hoke County High School, where he graduated in 1963.

After studying two and one half years at N.C. State University, Warlick joined the Marine Corps in February 1967.

Major Stargel stated that this is the first National Order of Vietnam he has presented during his two years of duty in eastern North Carolina.

Warlick was born in Raeford on May 1, 1945. He was a star football player for Hoke County High School, where he graduated in 1963.

After basic training at Parris Island, he entered Marine OCS at Quantico, Virginia. He was commissioned in March 1967.

Lt. Warlick left the United States for Vietnam in October 1967. He was serving

Committees Appointed New Library Building Is Proposed For Hoke County



EVERYTHING EXCEPT DONORS - The Bloodmobile's visit last Wednesday was well staffed with nurses, doctors and local ladies with the blood donating process. Only 68 people in Raeford and Hoke County could spare 45 minutes to give a pint of blood to the Carolinas Piedmont Blood Bank.

An enthusiastic group of some twenty Hoke County citizens met in the Hoke County Library Monday evening to discuss possible plans for a new library building in Hoke County.

Mrs. J. M. Andrews, Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Library, led the discussion of the group, composed of residents from all areas of the county.

The Library Board named 22 people to an over-all planning committee. The appointees are: Palmer Wilcox chairman, H. L. Gatlin, Mrs. Paul Dickson, Miss Josephine Hall, Tom Jones, Mrs. Sarah McDonald, Wilton Wood, Harold Gillis, J. H. Austin, Ralph Barnhart, Mrs. Warren Phillips, Mrs. Brown Hendrix, Mrs. Bernice Bostic, Mrs. D. R. Huff, Jr., Leonard Frahm, Eli Shankle, Hugh Simmons, Mrs. R. E. Neeley, Mrs. Charles Hostetter, Franklin Teal, K. A. MacDonald, and Mrs. Laurie McEachern.

Palmer Wilcox introduced Randall Harris and Gregg Bens from the firm of Charles Morrison Grier and Associates of Charlotte, who showed some architectural sketches and described plans used in Yadkin, Anson, and Davie counties for procuring funds for library buildings.

Wilcox stated that members will be named to work on committees in different areas of planning, such as: locating possible building sites, fund-raising, architectural design and building and publicity.

According to Wilcox, the proposed library is "really just starting, we're trying to find out ways we can get a new library in Hoke."

He said the group was genuinely enthusiastic about the project of getting a new library building.

The Hoke County Library now has more than 26,000 volumes according to Mrs. Lee Cameron, Hoke Librarian, the library is bulging at the seams, and is badly in need of additional space.

Wilcox said the next meeting of the planning committee would be the latter part of October.

Bloodmobile Here But Donor Turnout Is Poor

Last Wednesday's visit by the Bloodmobile to Hoke County was termed, "very disappointing," by Clyde Upchurch, Jr., American Red Cross Chairman in Hoke County.

Only 68 pints of blood were donated by citizens of Raeford and Hoke County. Hoke had a deficit of 51 pints with the Piedmont Carolinas Blood Bank prior to Wednesday.

Upchurch stated that the bulk of the donations were from the staff and prisoners from McCain Sanatorium. "We were really pleased with the support of the people at McCain," stated Upchurch.

For the first time since the Bloodmobile began coming to Raeford, in 1960, the people from Burlington didn't turn out in large numbers. Upchurch said that the Burlington employees had been the major donors and supporters of the blood bank. "Maybe they're tired of being the major support of the Bloodmobile here in Raeford," said Upchurch.

The dependence of the local blood bank upon the usually fine turnout from Burlington has hidden the fact that the people on Main Street and out in the County have not been giving enough support to their blood bank, continued Upchurch.

Upchurch expressed appreciation for the many ladies who staffed the operation Wednesday. "They were well

prepared to handle twice the number of donors as came to give blood."

According to Upchurch the Bloodmobile is scheduled to return to Raeford for another visit on December 29. "I surely hope more people take a few minutes and come by to donate," Upchurch concluded.

4-H Clubs Sponsor Fun Day

Come One! Come All - to a Fun Day at Armory Park on Saturday, October 4, from 10:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M. Everyone, 4-H'ers, non - 4-H'ers and adults are invited to attend. All youths ages 7 - 19 will be eligible to enter the events scheduled.

The purpose of the Fun Day is to kick off the observance of National 4-H Club Week, October 5 - 11. This Fun Day is being sponsored by 4-H'ers in Hoke County and is only for the purpose of having fun as the name implies. It is assumed and expected that good

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In Hoke County

Association For Mentally Retarded Children Organized September 24

About 50 citizens attended the organizational meeting of the Hoke County chapter of the Association for Mentally Retarded Children, held Wednesday night, September 24.

Principal speaker for the meeting was Carey Fendley, Executive Director of the North Carolina Association of Retarded Children in Raleigh. Fendley told of the Association's progress in the past five years and discussed the future of the

Association in Hoke County.

According to Cecil Brown, District Coordinator for the Southeastern Region of the N.C.A.R.C., a coordinator will be assigned to Hoke County in the very near future.

Mrs. Brown Hendrix was elected president of the local chapter, Mrs. James Miller, who put forth a great deal of effort to get a local organization for

retarded children established, was elected vice-president. Mrs. Hal Knott and Mrs. Boyd Edmunds were elected secretary and treasurer, respectively.

Any family interested in retarded children and mental health can join the local association. Dues are \$2 per family.

An open meeting will be held on Thursday, October 23 at 7:30 p.m. in the Hoke County Court House. The public is invited to attend.