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## Around Town

BY SAM MORRIS

Charlie Hottel, president of the Hoke High School Booster Club, was by the office this week and asked that we remind members of the meeting of the club Monday night, February, 9 at 7 o'clock. It will be held in the coaches' room at Hoke High School. Hottel stated that this was an important meeting as plans for the annual spring banquet would be discussed.

The speaker for the banquet this year will be Homer Rice, athletic director at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. This announcement was made last November.

The president said that to make the banquet a success, all members must work and help plan the affair. So if at all possible be at the meeting Monday night.

The ground hog saw his shadow Monday afternoon, and as the old timers say, went back into his hole for six weeks. The legend says we will have six more weeks of bad weather. Time will tell!

The writer of this column was in Raleigh last Friday and had lunch in the Belk store cafeteria and ran into a Raeford native, also having lunch there. He was Alex Patterson who is now with the Archives & History department of the state. Alex is now a retired Admiral from the navy. His first wife was also a native of Raeford, the former Mary McBryde. She died a few years ago and the Admiral has married again. He stated that most of his kinsmen were gone from Raeford, but that he still read The News - Journal. He asked about Fred Culbreth and the Wilson family; the Wilson being Mrs. John B. Cameron. They are cousins of the Admiral.

He did say that he had picked up some historical information from Buddy Blue a Hoke native who now lives in Williamston. We invited him to drop by the office on his next trip into this section of the state.

At the annual Ladies Night of the Raeford Kiwanis Club last Thursday night the "Man of the Year" was named. When Attorney Bill Moses was giving the facts on the man he began. Born in Raeford, graduated from Raeford High School in 1932. I said J.H. Austin, but the fact ended that graduated from Davidson College.

We will say again. Congratulations to Tom Cameron, the Man of the Year in Hoke County.

Skip Dickson, a young soldier at Fort Knox, Ky. this week and we know that he was missed by the City Commissioners Monday night. Before he left he came by the office and gave me the receipt for his parking ticket. I have it on my desk for anyone that doubts this information. We understand that Skip also praised officer Jim West in the performance of his duty - this fact came from the coffee room of the Raeford Savings and Loan. So if you don't believe that, go by, and some of "that gang" will give you the details. If not about Skip, about someone.

Quotes:  
Only when a man is not afraid to die, is he not afraid to live.

A bore is a fellow who opens his mouth and puts his feet in it.

## S/Sgt. Cromartie Is Awarded Bronze Star

A Bronze Star for meritorious service has been awarded to Staff Sergeant Jerial L. Cromartie of Raeford for outstanding service as a platoon sergeant in Vietnam from November 1968 to October 1969.

S/Sgt. Cromartie was commended for outstanding success and resourcefulness in solving the many and varied problems inherent in a combat environment while serving as a platoon sergeant of the headquarters platoon and motor sergeant for the 14th Light Equipment Maintenance Company.

"His initiative, zeal, sound judgment and devotion to duty have been in the highest tradition of the military service and reflect great credit upon himself, his unit and the United States Army," the award citation read.

He is now stationed at Ft. Belvoir, Va. His wife, Geraldine, and two children, Darrell, 5, and Valerie, 2, are residents of Raeford.

S/Sgt. Cromartie is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Moody D. Cromartie of Lumber Bridge, N.C.



MAN OF THE YEAR - Bill Moses (left) presents the Kiwanis award to Raeford's new man of the year, Tom Cameron.

## Cameron Gets Kiwanis Man Of Year Award

Tom Cameron, prominent Raeford businessman, was presented the Man of the Year award by the Raeford Kiwanis Club at the annual ladies night banquet held last Thursday at Christy's Steak House in Fayetteville.

Attendance pins were also awarded with Marion Gatlin being honored for 26 years attendance, Dr. Julius Jordan for 17 years and J.H. Austin for 16 years. James Ataway presented the pins.

Other pins were presented to Harold Gillis and Charles Pierce for 7 years; John Campbell, Avery Connel and Benny McLeod for 6 years; Bill Moses for 5 years; Frank Crumpler for 4 years; Joe Jenkins and Clyde Upchurch, Jr., for 3 years; Frank Blue and Bill Lancaster for 2 years.

The award for best program of the year

## Berry Will Not Seek Re-election

Doran Berry, solicitor for Ninth District, announced this week that he would not seek re-election.

"Due to other binding commitments, both personal and professional, I find it impossible to become a candidate to succeed myself as solicitor of the Ninth District," he said.

In announcing his decision, Berry expressed his appreciation for the support he had received from the people of Hoke and Cumberland counties.

"I have found this to be a deeply rewarding experience, and I want to express my appreciation for the support of the people of Hoke and Cumberland counties and for the devotion to duty of the law enforcement officers with whom I have worked."

## Congressman Alton Lennon Announces For Re-election

Congressman Alton A. Lennon made the following statement in Washington last week:

"My fellow Seventh District North Carolinians, I am Alton Lennon, your representative in the Congress. My purpose in speaking at this time is to let you know that I am a candidate for re-election to the Congress of the United States, subject to the Democratic primary of Saturday, May 2, 1970.

"First of all, I want to express my deepest appreciation for your past confidence; and second, I want to solicit your continued support.

"As many of you know, I began my service in the U. S. House of Representatives on January 3, 1957.

"I am privileged to serve on the Armed Services Committee and to have had the honor of chairing the subcommittee on enlisted promotion policy. In addition, I serve on four special armed services subcommittees - The Investigating, The Military Construction, The Seapower, and the subcommittee which handles most of the legislation concerned with active and retired military personnel and reserve and National Guard matters.

"As a member, too, of the Merchant Marine and Fisheries Committee, I have the honor of chairing the subcommittee on Oceanography - a field of growing national and international importance. I am the ranking Democrat on the Fisheries and Wildlife Conservation and the Coast Guard and Navigation subcommittees, and a member of the subcommittee on Merchant Marine actively concerned in revitalizing our Maritime industry.

was presented to J.H. Austin by Robert Gatlin.

Cameron, a native of Raeford, graduated from Raeford High School and received a degree in business administration from Davidson College.

He has been active in Raeford business and community affairs and is presently serving as a director of the Bank of Raeford and as president of the Upchurch Milling Company.

He is also treasurer of the Raeford fire department, a member of the town board, secretary of the Raeford Development Corporation, and scout master in the Boy Scouts.

A pilot for 25 years with a certificate for 3000 hours of safe flying, he is also a member of the Raeford Airport Committee.

He has served in his Methodist church as church school superintendent, church school teacher and on the board of stewards.

Cameron has held state offices as president in 1946 of the North Carolina

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## State Superintendent Phillips Commends Leonard Training School Monday Night

"Vision, hard work, faith and dedication have brought you here," Dr. A. Craig Phillips, North Carolina superintendent of public instruction, told Director William R. Windley and his associates at the Samuel Leonard School at McCain Monday night.

The occasion was a Recognition Dinner in celebration of the school's becoming accredited by the Southern Association

## No Penalty Until Tuesday Commissioners Vote Longer Listing Time

### Roger Hall Seeks Term In North Carolina House

Roger F. Hall, businessman and farmer of Lumber Bridge and Raeford, today filed as a candidate in the Democratic Primary for the House of Representatives, and became the first Robeson County incumbent to file for election.

Rep. Neill McFadyen, of Raeford, has already filed with the Hoke Board of Elections, and the other two Robeson County incumbents, Robert Campbell, of Rowland, and Gus Spero, of Maxton, are expected to file soon. The 24th house district is composed of Hoke, Scotland, and Robeson Counties, and has four representatives.

Last fall, Hall was selected by the Robeson County Democratic Executive Committee to fill the unexpired term of R. D. McMillan, Jr., of Red Springs, who resigned to accept appointment as State Purchasing Agent.

A native of Lumber Bridge, Hall graduated from Lumber Bridge High

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ROGER HALL

## Parking Ordinance Passed At Meeting Of City Board

A parking ordinance was adopted Monday night at the February meeting of the city council and a traffic violations bureau was established to take the payment of fines.

The parking ordinance included most of the parking rules already in effect and repealed any conflicting ordinances. The main effect of the new ordinance, city manager John D. Gaddy said, was to collect all the previously passed regulations into one body.

SFC Gene Thacker, of Ft. Bragg, met with the council and requested permission to lease a portion of the Raeford airport for use by three sports parachute clubs from Ft. Bragg.

The council instructed Gaddy to

investigate the cost of a building for the airport to be used as an office and instruction room. Leasing charges would then be based on the building costs. The Raeford Airport Commission has already approved SFC's Thacker's plan.

The commission amended Raeford zoning regulations and map to rezone from residential to commercial a portion of land on College Drive that was requested changed by John W. McPhaul. The commission also allowed a zoning change to permit the operation of a funeral home in a residential zone on North Main Street Extended.

A resolution was passed commending Mrs. Chandler Roberts, who retired this

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## Charles G. Rose, III Files For House Against Lennon

Fayetteville attorney, Charles G. Rose, III, announced Monday that he is a candidate for the Democratic Primary for the United States House of Representatives. Rose made the announcement from the Exposition Hall of the Downtown Motor Inn at Noon in Fayetteville, the following text of his announcement:

"I have asked you to come here today, to my hometown of Fayetteville, to tell you that I am a candidate for the Congress of the United States.

With the help of people like you, all over southeastern North Carolina, we will win the Democratic Primary in May.

Then we will bring to the Seventh Congressional District a new decade of service to the people.

I want to go to Congress as your representative to do more than tell you what is wrong with Washington. We must change what is wrong. Your Congressman is more than a protester, he is your lawmaker.

I am concerned about making our Federal Government prudent. I am concerned about our national debt. I am concerned about rising taxes and the high cost of living. And I am deeply concerned about the forty percent pay increase our present Congressman gave themselves last year.

We must face squarely the many concerns of all our people.

We must be concerned about the beaches in our district and their development. Our coastal resources must be protected from erosion and from shifting inlets. I will work to see that they get this needed protection. I will work for

The deadline for tax listings was extended through Feb. 9 by the County Commissioners at a commission meeting Monday morning at the Board of Education building.

A tax report to the commission showed a total of \$380,311.20 in all county taxes collected so far, with an uncollected balance of \$462,178.31 for all county taxes. However, some late returns were not included in the report. Fire taxes collected for 1969 totaled \$1,583.03.

Raeford city manager John Gaddy and city attorney Palmer Wilcox requested that the county consider allowing city to lease property now occupied by the Highway Commission maintenance garages. The Highway commission is planning to move to another location. Wilcox said, and the city would like to use the location for its garages.

Wilcox also suggested the county consider opening a land fill area for county residents to use for trash dumping. He said a committee had been appointed by the city to study the dumping operations of the city. Currently, county residents may use the city land fill, but are charged a dumping fee.

David W. Alexander, executive director of the Southeastern Economic Development Commission, outlined programs that are available to local governments and individuals.

He stressed that in order for counties to get federal and state money, they must first draw up a plan of action for the county.

Alexander also asked the commission to sign a resolution petitioning the state planning division to move Hoke County out of its tentative grouping in District 9 with Moore County and other counties to the north and return it to the grouping which includes Cumberland and Robeson counties.

The commission postponed a decision on the planning districting until after a meeting of the Comprehensive Health Planning Commission to be held in Southern Pines tonight.

Dr. Robert Townsend told the commission he thought that Hoke County might benefit more medically by being included in District 9 but the county was tied to the counties in District 10 in all other respects. He said he did not foresee a hospital being constructed in Hoke County in any event.

Requests and suggestions pertaining to the planning districts must be filed with the state planning division by the county commission by Feb. 16.

Mrs. Ellen Willis, county home extension agent, reported on activities in the 4-H clubs and in the Homemakers' clubs. The Sunset 4-H club in Raeford has been divided into a junior and senior club, she said, and two clubs have now been organized with elected officers in other areas of the county. The new clubs are West Hoke club and Tyler Club.

The Homemakers' clubs held a workshop on the making and wearing of

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ALTON A. LENNON

"Most of you know my record in the Congress and know that my efforts are for honest, efficient, and constitutional government. I am proud of this conscientious record.

"I am proud also of the economic growth of the Seventh District since 1957 and of the opportunities I have shared in promoting this development.

"There is more progress to be achieved, and there are many issues yet to be resolved, which require experience.

"With your support, I pledge to continue my best efforts toward the high challenge of service for you and for responsible government."



CHARLES G. ROSE III

the beaches of Brunswick County and for the Beaches of New Hanover County.

We must be concerned about attracting first class industry into the counties of our district. We must be concerned about the pollution of our air and our water. I believe that first class industrial citizens are concerned about the pollution of our air and water resources and I look forward to working with them. I am concerned that in parts of our district we have air and water pollution.

We must strengthen our concern for the farmers in southeastern North Carolina. They must receive a fair return from the sale of their products. I will

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