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## Landowners Complaining

# Town And County Commissioners Have Garbage Disposal Problems

### Around Town

BY SAM MORRIS

A visitor to the office last week was Mrs. Sallie H. McKeithan of the Rockfish community. She had a clipping taken from a Virginia paper concerning a writeup about her daughter, Mrs. William Mottley of Burkeville, Va. Mrs. Mottley was one of the two Burkeville persons who were selected to appear in the 1969 edition of "Personalities of the South." Mrs. Mottley was the former Eunice McKeithan and graduated from Hoke High School in 1938. She is now Home Extension Agent in Burkeville and has lived there for 24 years.. The Mottleys have four children and one grandchild. Congratulations to another Hoke County native who has made a name for themselves out in the nation.

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A booklet received at the office last week entitled "Uncle Sam Counts" is about the up coming Census-taking in 1970. Looking through the booklet late one afternoon brought back memories of the 1940 census. We will try to recall a few of the instances for you.

Hoke County was in the Eighth Congressional district in 1940 and a man named Raper from Wadesboro was head of the district census-taking. His assistant was Mrs. Paul Dickson, Sr. and my boss at The News-Journal. The Democrats were in power and the late Senator J.B. Thomas was party chairman for Hoke. The wheelers and dealers of the party finally agreed that the late Mrs. J.W. Currie would take the census in Raeford. A school for all census-takers was held in Laurinburg and was taught by Mrs. Dickson. I went with her for the three day course. After the first day Mrs. Currie decided she didn't want the job so Sam Morris was given the job.

Two other census-takers in the county that year were Archie Epstein and Miss Katie Black of the Rockfish community. I can't recall the others at this time, but there were several more or one for each township.

Of course everything that is asked for by the census-takers is strictly confidential. At one household here in town a lady told me that she knew the law that I couldn't ask her about the family financial status or what their income for the year would be. This was the furthest thing from my mind to start with because all takers went by a form and everyone was asked the same questions. The last question on the form was as follows: Is your husband/wife self-employed or on salary? After this question the lady told me what her husband's income was for 1939, also how much money she made at part time work and different stocks and bonds the family owned. This is still in my mind, but the census people didn't need the information.

We had a map to go by so that all homes were marked off as the household was recorded. Mrs. H.A. Cameron was ready for me the first day with lemonade and cookies and this was a treat to start off the month's job ahead.

Another question was the age of each member of the family. If anyone didn't want to tell, they could say 21 plus. At one house I asked the age and the lady said 28. I put down 21 plus because she had taught me in school and I was 22 at the time.

One night during the census-taking all over the United States hotels, tourist homes and motels were visited to get all transit people who were missed. In this district Pinehurst and Southern Pines was a problem. Some of the tourists weren't to pleasant at twelve o'clock after traveling all day. But the census-takers had a job to do.

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DUMPED - County sanitarian M. R. Mills pokes through trash heaped along a road that runs beside Scurlock School between the Hillcrest and Scurlock communities. This is only one of hundreds of dumping grounds scattered throughout the county, Mills said.

## Superior Civil Court To Convene March 2

Superior Court Civil Session will convene March 2, with Judge Hamilton H. Hobgood presiding.

Jurors have been drawn for the session. They are: Donald Poe, Maggie Lee Covington, Paul W. Gadd, Mrs. Mildred Parks, A.E. Lupo, Wade Pittman, Daniel Herring, Leslie Franklin Faircloth, Carl G. Riley, Willie B. Nickelson, Rosa Lee Gillespie Blue, Annie Bell Allen, Winston Willis Lawrence McGill, Treva T. Koonce, Kenneth Cummings, Dannie Dupree.

John Galbreath, J.A. Tucker, Jesse James Locklear, Mrs. W.S. Shaw, Hamilton Grace, Isaac Dockery Graham, Ervin Lee Everett, Marion Thomas Baker, Solon James, Lela Daniels, Julian P. Barnes, Rachel Wright Dees, Sam Jackson, Robert Leslie Brooks, Nell Vincent Snead, Willie Green Myers, Ora Lee Smith Lathom, James Albert Graham, Therman Chavis, Horace T. Davis.

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## Burlington Promotes Borrelli And Bradford

Jack A. Bradford, Manager of the Lexington Plant of the Burlington Worsted Division of Burlington Industries, has been promoted to manager of the division's Raeford Plant, it was announced this week. He succeeds A.D. Borrelli, who has been promoted to division technical advisor, with offices to remain in Raeford.

Bradford joined Burlington in 1965, and was assigned to the Lexington post in January of 1967 after serving in various other capacities in the Worsted Division. A native of Anderson, South Carolina, he is a graduate of Clemson University in 1949, holding a degree in textile manufacturing. In Lexington he has been

active in civic and church affairs. He is married to the former Helen Williams of Anderson, South Carolina, and they have two children.

Borrelli came to Raeford in April, 1969 after serving several years as Manager of the Oxford and Drakes Branch plants. He joined Burlington in Raeford in 1955. He is a native of Lawrence, Massachusetts and a graduate of Lowell Textile Institute in Lowell, Massachusetts. He is married to the former Evelyn Pucci of Plymouth, Massachusetts. The Borrellis will continue to live in their new home in Southern Pines.

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## Boy Held In Kidnap

A juvenile is back in custody after leaving the Samuel Leonard Training School Thursday and forcing a McCain woman to drive him to Reidsville. He is released to juvenile authorities for further action.

The boy broke into the home of Mrs. Albert Seaford, according to Hoke County Sheriff D.M. Barrington, and stole a gun from her. When she returned home from work at McCain Sanitorium, the boy forced her to drive him to Reidsville. He returned the gun to her, Sheriff Barrington said.

Mrs. Seaford alerted the police in Greensboro and the youth was arrested near Reidsville.

He is now in custody at the C.A. Dillon Training School at Butler, according to Juvenile Officer Howard Culbreth. The youth's home is near Reidsville. Culbreth said.

Miss Elaine von Oesen, assistant state librarian, met with members of the library building site committee Feb. 18 and inspected five sites selected by the committee as possible locations for the proposed Hoke County Library Building.

She said that all of the sites were approachable by the state library. Franklin Teal, site committee chairman stated.

The state library must approve the site before the Hoke County library is eligible for any federal grants.

Teal said that the committee had not made any inquiries about acquiring the properties before showing them to the library official and did not yet know which, if any, would be available. He did not disclose the location of any of the sites under consideration. Accompanying Miss Von Oesen were library officials from Maryland and Virginia. Miss Nettie Taylor, director of Libraries for the State of Maryland and president of the American Association of State Libraries, and Miss Evelyn Muller, Region 3 Library Program Officer of HEW, were returning to Raleigh with Miss Von Oesen after attending the opening of the new South Carolina State Library in Columbia.

Garbage and trash heaped beside the road or dumped into woods and fields is a problem in Hoke County that is growing daily.

While everyone in city and county government seems to recognize its importance, there is still no solution to the problem in the near future.

"The county commission has been talking about this for the past several years," county manager T.B. Lester said. "But it's a costly proposition, to get into land fills and the county just doesn't have the money."

"This is one reason why we had hoped to get the 1 cent sales tax to alleviate some of this problem."

He estimated that it would cost at least \$40,000 to provide the county with four land fills, and the personnel and equipment necessary to maintain them.

After the land and equipment were paid for, the cost of operation would be much less, he said.

To finance landfills would require at least 10 cents of each dollar on the tax rate. An alternative would be to charge a small dumping fee, Lester said, but this might cut down on use of the fills.

"People don't like to pay to dump their garbage after they drive all the way out to the dump," he said.

At present, the only county facilities for garbage disposal are operated by Clyde Leach of Dundarrach. Under a health ordinance passed by the county commission in March 1963, Leach was contracted to provide garbage pick-up and disposal service for county residents who requested the service.

He maintains his own landfill and equipment and charges \$3 a month for once a week pick-up and \$5 a month for twice a week service.

Leach estimates he serves about 400 families in the county, most of whom are located in the east side of Raeford and some who live on the west side.

For the rest of the county residents, garbage disposal is an individual matter.

It is also a matter of increasing concern to property owners in the county who find their woods and fields have become public dumping grounds without their permission.

One area near Scurlock School has a large dump which stretches along a sand road between Hillcrest and Scurlock communities off old 401 North.

"Everytime I go out in the woods, I find another place where people have started dumping," R. M. Mills, county sanitarian said.

The property values of the woods and fields are depreciating because of the trash that is accumulating in them, he said.

There is little that a property owner can do to protect himself from dumpers, however. A county ordinance forbids littering, but the property owner must

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Lacy Hair

## Hicks Files For Coroner

The Rev. Donald Ned Hicks filed this week for the office of Hoke County Coroner.

He is president of the American School of the Bible and is pastor of the Joe Hilton Hicks Memorial Bible Chapel in western Hoke County.

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## State Library Official Inspects Building Sites

Rep. Gus Speros of Maxton announced today that he will be a candidate for re-election to one of the 24th House District's four seats in the North Carolina General Assembly.

Speros, a construction, real estate,

industrial executive is the ninth candidate in the race for the Democratic nomination for the four seats. The 24th District embraces Robeson, Scotland and Hoke Counties. He had been mentioned

as a freshman legislator last year. Speros spearheaded the drive for university status for Pembroke State University and also spearheaded the drive to allow senior citizens to pay (\$10.00) dollars at age 65 and receive permanent hunting and fishing license.

Speros served on the Appropriations, Conservation and Development Corporations, Manufacturers and Labor, Public Utilities, Water and Air Resources, and State Personnel Committees in the House.

Speros was appointed last year to serve as chairman of the Commercial and Sport Fisheries Advisory Board. This board has been very active in the coastal areas of North Carolina and works in conjunction with Fisheries Committees of North Carolina State Department of Conservation and Development.

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in recent weeks as a possible candidate for the State Senate seat being vacated by

retiring Senator Hector MacLean of Lumberton.

"I have had many people urging me to run for the Senate Seat from Robeson County, but I feel that I have an obligation to the citizens of Scotland and Hoke Counties who supported me so well in 1968," he said. The Senate seat represents only Robeson County.

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