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## Around Town

BY SAM MORRIS

The concert last Sunday night at the Raeford Presbyterian Church was given before a standing room only audience. All comments about the concert have been good and we expect that another one will be held next spring. Congratulations to Josef Privette for bringing this concert to the people of Hoke County.

The annual feed last Thursday by the Hoke High Key Club seemed like a political rally with all the candidates moving from table to table. The event as usual was a success and the politicians were an added attraction.

### CORRECTION:

A note from Jean McNeill Harris of Fayetteville follows and is self explanatory.

"The death notice in the April 9th issue of your paper stated that John Belton McNeill was a brother of my father, the late Clifford McNeill. This is incorrect. Belton McNeill was a first cousin of Clifford McNeill. Please make this correction."

We have received many letters and telephone calls about the pictures and write up in this column concerning Raeford Institute. We will report on these letters and calls this week and next week will continue with more pictures and comments about the old school.

The first person to identify everyone in the graduating picture was Miss Beatrice Sinclair, who was a member of the 1907 class. This was Thursday of last week.

On Friday we received a letter from W.T. (Will) McLean of Clinton. He was also a member of the class.

Miss Sinclair and Mr. McLean are the only members of the class now living. We will report from Mr. McLean's letter:

"We note the picture of the graduating class of Raeford Institute of 1907 and being a member of that class, we wish to identify the members of the class as follows:

Front row left to right:  
1. Daniel Archie McNeill, Presbyterian minister, Chaplain of the Army; 2. Will T. McLean, businessman of Clinton; 3. Paul Dickson, insurance and newspaper publisher.

Second row: 1. Lattie Rhodes, secretary to President of Meredith College; 2. Beatrice Sinclair, very much alive, native of Raeford; 3. Annie McKeithan, married James Poole.

Back row: 1. John McGoogan, first Supt. Public schools for Hoke County; 2. Ben J. McGoogan, Medical doctor and lived in Morven; 3. Hector McDiarmid, Presbyterian minister.

Mr. McLean also writes:  
"The picture of the 1907 graduating class of Raeford Institute was taken on the front steps of the residence of Prof. John A. McLeod which was built off the school campus and just back of the Presbyterian Church. And if my memory serves us correctly, Prof. McLeod resigned as principal of Raeford Institute at the end of the Spring term of 1907 and accepted the position of Supt. of the public schools of Moore County.

"Mr. Summers and his staff of teachers began their year of school work with the fall term of 1907-1908 school year. The music teacher whose family name was blurred, later married Mr. Willie Brown McQueen, who was first Clerk of Superior Court for Hoke County. Probably someone has an old catalogue from which you can secure her named spelled correctly."

"It is interesting to have happenings which occurred in the past brought to the attention of your readers.

Hope that you continue reminding your readers of things that happened in and around Raeford since 1895 to the present."

On the same subject a letter from Mrs. Mary David nee Mary McDuffie of Richmond, Va. states:

"I think your missing teacher was Mrs. Willie B. Hasselkus, who married Willie Brown McQueen and the boy on the left I think was Daniel Archie McNeill of the Antioch section.

"Your photo of Raeford Institute is very good. I enjoy every issue of the Journal."

We wish to thank everyone who took the time to write or call us. If anyone can add to the above information, please write or call.

## Boy Sentenced For Break-ins

Four of the youths charged in the recent break-ins in Raeford were brought before District Court Judge Joseph Dupree Friday. The fifth boy was a juvenile and was turned over to juvenile authorities for disposition of his case.

Fewes Dwinells, 16, of Fayetteville, was tried on the reduced charges of aiding and abetting misdemeanor larceny and aiding and abetting misdemeanor breaking and entering. The state presented no evidence for the five counts of felonious breaking, entering and larceny and those charges were dismissed.

The testimony all centered around the break-in and thefts from the home of Sam Motley, then assistant police chief of Raeford. No evidence was offered in the other cases.

Officer Motley testified that on March 7, while he was on duty, his home was entered and ransacked and two pistols, a pair of binoculars, some cash from a piggy bank and a holster for one of the guns were stolen.

Police Chief L.W. Stanton then said that the guns had been recovered by the Cumberland County Sheriff's department and read a statement from Dwinells describing how he had driven the other youths charged in the acts to Raeford and had let them out of his car in front of the Motley home.

Dwinells was found guilty and was sentenced to 18 months suspended for 3 1/2 years with 3 1/2 years probation. He was given the special condition that he pay Motley \$50 for damages and that he remain in school during his probation. Dwinells was described as a B student in high school. His father, who has been serving in Vietnam, was home on emergency leave.

Gary Williams and Howard Alan Headen, both 17-year-olds from Fayetteville, waived a preliminary hearing on five counts of felonious breaking and entering and larceny and were bound over for grand jury action. Bond on each was set at \$1500 to cover all five cases.

The charge of receiving stolen goods was dismissed against Joseph M. Davis, 17, of Fayetteville, after the state asked for a nol pros.

# State's Adjutant General Visits Local Guard Unit

## Clean-Up Campaign Continues

The home of A.E. McGirt of 202 E. Prospect Ave. won the Yard - of - Week award while the April Clean-up campaign was concentrated in the northeast section of Raeford this week.

Honorable mention yards were those of R.W. Dixon of Edinborough Street and Jesse Gullede, also of Edinborough.

The Cub Scouts provided other clean-up activities for that area by clearing the trash and broken glass from the ball park in the Robbin's Heights area and by cleaning away cans and trash that had accumulated at the swimming hole on Rockfish Creek since the Boy Scout clean-up there a month ago.

Cub Scout Dens One, Two and Three participated in the effort.

The students and faculty at Upchurch School held a school beautification day Wednesday. They planted shrubs around the grounds near the sixth grade building and reseeded the grass. All the shrubs on the school grounds were pruned and all trash was hauled away.

Inside the school, flower arrangements were made for the tables in the cafeteria and bulletin boards throughout the school helped carry out the clean-up theme.

Next week, the southeast section of Raeford south of Edinborough Street and east of Main Street will be emphasized in the clean-up effort. Two large, plastic bags are available to each family from the city. They may be picked up at City Hall.



TOP GUARDSMAN - The Adjutant General of the North Carolina National Guard, Maj. Gen. Fred L. Davis, visited the armory at Raeford Tuesday, and was welcomed by local officials. Shown left to right are CPT. Fred L. McKenzie, Mayor John K. McNeill, Lt. Col. Edwin D. Newton, T.C. Jones, chairman of the county board of commissioners, and J.C. Edwin D. Newton.

Major General Fred L. Davis, The Adjutant General of North Carolina, made his first official visit in that capacity to Raeford this week.

General Davis was at the National Guard armory Tuesday morning, April 14. The armory housed the headquarters of the 2d Battalion, 252d Armor, 30th Infantry Division, commanded by Lt. Col. Edwin D. Newton of Fayetteville, and Headquarters Company of the 2d Battalion, 252d Armor, commanded by Capt. Fred L. McKenzie of Southern Pines.

Among those who welcomed General Davis were two former battalion commanders, William Lamont and Paul Dickson; Mayor John K. McNeill, Jr., John Gaddy, town manager; L.W. Stanton, chief of police; Sheriff D.M. Barrington; Representatives Neill L. McFadyen and Roger Hall, Younger Sneed, Jr., president of the Chamber of Commerce, Harold Gillis, chamber manager and T.C. Jones, chairman of the county board of commissioners.

Since being appointed the Adjutant General February 1, General Davis has visited three-fourths of the National Guard units in the State. He will continue to spend two days a week visiting the remaining North Carolina Army and Air National Guard units, and meeting Guard, civic and community officials.

In making the rounds of the Guard units, he is afforded an opportunity to observe day-to-day operations, the physical plants and the overall effectiveness of the units. The visits also give local Guardsmen and civic leaders an occasion to meet the new Adjutant General.

Noting that in his capacity as Adjutant General he is answerable to Governor Scott and the State of North Carolina "for the efficient operation of the North Carolina National Guard," he made these

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## Bad Check Cases Drop Ten Per Cent

Judge Joseph Dupree heard six worthless check cases in District Court Friday and advised prosecuting witnesses that they should have sales tickets signed by the defendant to substantiate any more bad check charges brought to court.

In a lengthy docket of 74 cases, the eight worthless check cases listed composed only 10 per cent of the docket, a drop of more than 10 per cent in the number of bad check charges usually

heard in court.

During the past four weeks, worthless check cases have made up from 22 to 26 per cent of the court docket, sometimes outnumbering any other kind of case.

Six cases were heard Friday. One other case listed on the docket was paid in Magistrate's court and the other listed case was continued. Another charge was also paid during the week before a magistrate to make a total of eight

worthless check cases being handled in Hoke County this week.

Judge Dupree saved the bad check cases until the end of court, leaving the defendants and prosecuting witnesses sitting through the rest of the docket before being heard.

Most of the defendants pleaded guilty. Robert McGregor, accused by Florence Peterson of giving her a worthless check for \$9.92, was assessed court costs and ordered to pay the check.

Conwell Cobb, who pleaded guilty, was given a suspended 30 day sentence and ordered to spend the next four weekends in jail for a worthless check of \$39.81 to Bobby Locklear. He was also assessed court costs and jail fees.

Bobby Blue, who had been released from work camp that morning after serving for another offense, was sentenced to 30 days in jail for a worthless check to Freddie Breeden for \$51.03. Blue gave notice of appeal and had bond set at \$300.

Mrs. J.W. Grainger was ordered to pay court costs and the check for \$73.05 to Raeford Department Store.

J. H. Tillman was given a 30 day suspended sentence, fined \$10 and costs and ordered to pay the check of \$83.32 for giving a worthless check to D. Gary Elwers.

The only defendant to plead not guilty to a worthless check charge was Hubert Peterkin of Raeford, who contended that he did not remember ever writing a check to Florence Peterson and that he did not owe her the amount claimed, \$96.40, as the last bill he had received was for only \$30. Judge Dupree asked Mrs. Peterson for tickets showing that Peterkin owed that amount, however Mrs. Peterson said she did not have her customers sign tickets for merchandise. Peterkin was also asked to sign his name on eight slips of paper and Judge Dupree examined the signatures on each. Peterkin was found guilty and ordered to pay the check and court costs, however, Mrs. Peterson was advised to keep signed receipts in the future. Peterkin was also sentenced to 6 months with capias or commitment to issue at any time during the next 3 years.



JOHNNY HOTTEL



JOYCE WILLIS

## Hoke High Students Get National Guard Grants

Joyce Willis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence E. Willis, and Johnny Hottel, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hottel, have received scholarships from the North Carolina National Guard Association Educational Foundation, Inc.

Only four students in the state were selected for the grants. Each scholarship is for \$300 and is renewable for four years.

Joyce has been accepted to University of North Carolina at Charlotte where she will seek a BS in nursing. A good student at school, she also holds a part-time job

after school and on Saturday as a sales-clerk at Cato's. She has been a member of the Future Homemakers of America and enjoys sewing and outdoor activities.

Johnny has been accepted at East Carolina University at Greenville where he will prepare for a career in business. While at Hoke High, he has been interested in sports and has played on the football, basketball and baseball teams. He is also a Key Club member and sings in the school chorus.



ALLEN WOOD



DAVID LENT

## Wood, Lent Awarded New UNC Scholarships

Allen Wilton Wood and David Roy Lent of Raeford have been selected one of the first James M. Johnston Undergraduate Scholars at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. William M. Geer, director of student aid, announced this week.

Lent, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy G. Lent of Rt. 1, Raeford, is first in his class at Hoke High and Wood, son of Mr. and Mrs. Allen W. Wood, Jr., of 835 E. Prospect Ave., is second in the senior class.

Lent is president of the Beta Club, president of the French Club, vice-president of the Chess Club and a member of the Student Council, the Science Club and Future Teachers of America. He is an Eagle Scout and a member of the school golf team. He also participated in the National Science Foundation summer program, attended the Governor's School, won the Chemistry Award and was selected as a finalist in the National Merit Scholarship program. He plans to major in mathematics at UNC.

Wood is president of the Student Council and is active in the Pep Club,

Beta Club, Spanish Club, Key Club and Future Teachers of America. He is a staff member of the school yearbook and plays football, basketball and track. He is also a Boy Scout and teaches Sunday school. In addition, he won recognition from the N.C. Council of Teachers, won the Woodman of the World History Award, the William Randolph Hearst Foundation award, was a U.S. Senate Youth Program Winner, a Morehead Nominee, a finalist for the Angier B. Duke Scholarships and a National Merit semifinalist. He plans to major in business administration.

The new scholarship fund was established by the late James M. Johnston, who was born near Chapel Hill and who attended UNC before going to Washington to make a fortune in investment banking. He left the stipulation for the annual \$500,000 scholarship program in his will. Awards will range up to \$2,100 annually for North Carolinians and up to \$2,900 for out-of-state students.

Any student qualified for admission to UNC, as an undergraduate or as a student in the Nursing School, is eligible for the Johnston competition.

## National Library Week Being Observed In Hoke County April 12-18

Read any good books lately? During National Library Week, from April 12-18, the local librarians and the committee of North Carolinians for Better Libraries, Inc., hope the answer to that question is yes.

The Hoke County library has about 21,000 books from which to choose. Mrs. Lee Cameron, librarian said and if the county library doesn't have the

book, she can order it from the State Library. The local library is connected with the State offices by a direct line. Mrs. Cameron can get information from the State reference library or she can request material and books to be sent on loan to the Hoke library.

The library on Elwood Street also has a large assortment of newspapers and magazines for reference. The New York

Times and Wall Street Journal as well as North Carolina papers are received daily.

About 40 different magazines, with back copies for several years, are kept in the files. Mrs. Cameron said. Students writing term papers often find these helpful, she said.

The library can also get films and film strips from the state library to show to clubs and organizations from the state

library. Mrs. Cameron and a part-time assistant, Mrs. Raymond Maxwell, staff the Raeford library. In addition, there are two part-time bookmobile drivers and two students who help in the library.

Several years ago the library was redecorated, using funds raised in a special drive and also money from the Library's Memorial Fund.

Since then, the Library Board has been exploring ways of obtaining a new library. So far, several lots for a new building have been inspected and approved by an official from the state library but there is no money available for the project.

This year, the library had an operating budget of \$10,825, provided by the city of Raeford, Hoke County and overdue fines. The money is provided by ABC

funds and other non-tax items since a library tax was voted down in 1962.

A new fund was established in January for the library called the O (for opportunity) Fund. Together with the Memorial Fund, it will be used to improve the present library and, if possible, to help provide new facilities.

The library is open six days a week from 9:5:30 and on Monday night from 7:9