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Around Town

BY SAM MORRIS

On the sports' page of The News and Observer last Thursday was an article about the death of Jake May of Wendell. The article brought back memories of the early 1930s and the baseball series between Rowland and Raeford. Jake May was a left - handed pitcher who started his baseball career under the training of the late Col. W.L. Poole. Col. Poole was either working in Wendell or playing ball there in the 1910s and started May to pitching. This is the reason Jake May came to Raeford to pitch two games in the 1930s.

He started his big league career with the St. Louis Cardinals in 1917 and closed out his playing days as a big leaguer in 1932 with the Chicago Cubs. In his last year he pitched in the World Series against the New York Yankees that included Babe Ruth and Lou Gehrig.

The next summer he pitched two games in a series between Raeford and Rowland. The first game was played here and the score was 1 - 0 in favor of Raeford and Jake May not only pitched, but hit a home run for the only score of the game. Raeford won the series. The late Julian S. Johnson was manager of the team and yours truly kept the bats.

If you want to hear more about this series and other baseball players of the early thirties, go by McLauchlin Co. and contact John McKeithan or John D. McNeill.

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An event that we look forward to each year is the Senior Breakfast at Hoke High School.The Future Teachers of America Club and the faculty honor the graduating seniors with a breakfast. The affair is under the sponsorship of Jerry Thompson adviser to the F.T.A. The seniors of course are in high spirits as all work is over and the faculty also have about completed the school year. The atmosphere surrounding the affair is one of gaity and happiness.

The singing of the senior members of the Glee Club is worth the early rise to attend the breakfast, but the speeches by Mrs. B.B. Cole, senior advisor, and Raz Autry, principal, are tops. The speeches do not give all praise to the seniors, but put forth a challenge for them to take their place in the world and try to make a better place for future generations. We feel that under this circumstances the messages brought by these close friends of the seniors goes further than any speech at graduation.

One thing that happened at the breakfast that will leave a lasting impression on me was when Cindy Smith gave a gift to Raz Autry, the Senior Class, as a whole, rose and cheered and applauded their leader. Raz may make mistakes like all of us and may require certain things from his students, but he has their respect and they know he will go to bat for them. Yes, we can only hope that the people we deal with have the same trust and respect for us.

The occasion is another bright spot in our life and we look forward to many more Senior Breakfasts.

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Mrs. A.J. Lundy was by the office last week and we started talking about the old days. She stated that her husband came here and opened his Shoe Shop in 1929. She also stated that with the retiring of Israel Mann that Lundy's Shoe Shop was the oldest business under the same head in Hoke County. We hadn't thought of this, but we believe she is correct. Of course some corporations are older but they don't have the same president or managers. If this is not true, let us know.

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Next week we will publish in this column a letter and pictures from John A. McInnis of Japan who we wrote about last year.

Head Start Begins Fifth Year

Head Start will begin its fifth year in the county Monday morning when 169 students start the seven - week course at J.W. McLauchlin School.

James Bowles will again serve as director for the Sandhills Community Action Program. Mrs. Iris Abernethy is the social worker.

The course for children of low - income families who will enter the first grade next fall is desgined to familiarize them with classroom procedures.

Bus service will be provided for all the pupils. The session will run from 8:30 to 12:30 and the children will be given a free mid - morning snack and lunch each day.

The Head Start students will be given pre - school physicals and immunizations.

Dental examinations and treatment will also be given by a team of four student dentists and a supervisor.

The program will employ 11 teachers and 11 aides. The aides are parents of children participating in Head Start. Parents of the children are encouraged to visit the center, Mrs. Talmadge Baker, SCAP secretary said.

Also volunteer workers are needed to help with the planned activities, she said.

Vote Count Official

The State Board of Election's canvass Monday made official the results of the recent run-off for seats in the 24th House District.

Rep. Neill L. McFadyen edged out Roger F. Hall of Lumber Bridge by seven votes to win the nomination for reelection.

The official count for this district was J.J. Johnson, 5,386; Mrs. Mary Odom, 5,115; Neill McFadyen, 4,897 and Hall 4,890.

ESEA Program Will Aid 625 Students This Year

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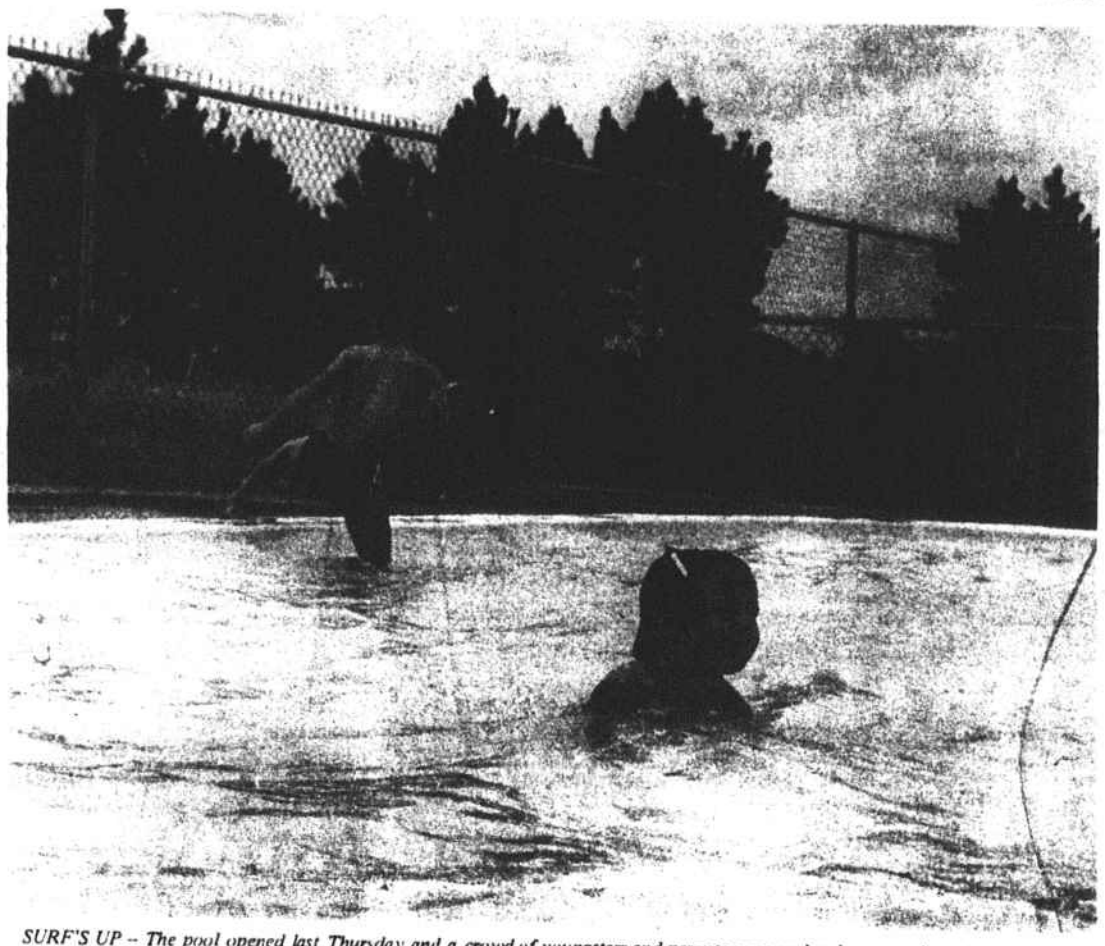

SURF'S UP -- The pool opened last Thursday and a crowd of youngsters and parents were on hand to start the swimming season at the Hoke Swimming Association. Lisa Inman, 3 year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Inman, shows off her style in the kiddie pool.

A reading development program sponsored by ESEA will begin Monday for about 625 students at five schools.

The program will try a number of new approaches designed to raise the reading ability of children who are now reading below their grade level.

It will be a non-textbook oriented program, in contrast to the reading methods used during the regular academic year, Ernest Sutton, director of ESEA for Hoke County, said.

Students in grades ony through twelve may participate. An English course for credit will be offered to high school students. Pupils who failed English during the school year may be able to make up the credit and advance with their class to the next grade, he said.

The ESEA summer program is the best federally sponsored educational programs, Sutton said.

Bus service for grades one through eight will be provided in conjunction with that for Head Start students. Like Head Start, the program will run from June 15 to July 24 from 8:30 - 12:30. The English classes will run from 8:30 to 1 p.m.

A total of 51 teachers and aides will staff the program. Students will be grouped by reading ability into small classes, Sutton explained. Teaching machines, programmed reading materials, tapes, film strips and sound films will be among the materials used to help children improve their reading.

A meeting with the parents of children enrolled in the project to acquaint them with the need for the program has been planned for the first part of the course.

The students will be given a mid - morning snack during the school. Medical and dental service will also be provided through the program. Unlike the Head Start program, medical attention is scheduled on an individual basis with a private physician or dentist of the parent's choosing, Sutton said. ESEA funds pay for the treatment. The cost of

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Man Arrested For Break-Ins

Atlas Blue McNeill was arrested Sunday and charged with breaking, entering and larceny in connection with two break-ins earlier Sunday.

A grocery store and service station owned by Pete Peterson was broken into and robbed early Sunday morning. Later that morning, the Curtis McNeill Grocery was reported entered. Groceries, beer, change and a straight razor were taken.

Sheriff's deputies Alex Norton and Robert Locklear arrested McNeill near the Curtis McNeill store and found some of the goods missing from the store on him.

Bond was set at $2,100.

Three other break-ins that occurred during the Memorial Day weekend remain unsolved.

Upchurch School was entered May 31 and $6 in change was reported missing.

About $400 in property was reported stolen May 30 from Freddie Breeden's service station near Davis Bridge.

A compressor belonging to Scotland Oil Company was reported stolen May 29 from the Marshall Parks service station.

The sheriff's department is still investigating the thefts.

Demos Elect Officers At Precinct Meetings

About 300 party members attended the county Democratic precinct meetings Saturday to elect officials to the precinct committees.

Several changes in the party rules were in operation this year at the meetings. For the first time, the precinct officers were elected by all the members attending the meeting, instead of being elected by the members of the precinct committee, county chairman Sam Morris said.

A voice in party affairs was also given for the first time to non-voters between the ages of 18 and 20. Several young people signed a statement at the meeting which allows them to be considered "active Democrats" and to take part in county affairs, Morris said.

Precinct committees elected at the meeting are:

Allendale -- L.A. McGugan, chairman; Mrs. Alex McCormick, vice - chairman; Arch Locklear; Billy McPhatter; Jeanette McLaughlin; James Farrow; David Liles; Gratham McNeill; Johnny McNeill and George Wilson.

Antioch -- Dane Currie, chairman; Mrs. Thannie Gillis, vice - chairman; Tommy McPhaul; John Willie McNeill; Mrs. W.E. McNeill; Brownie McDiarmid; B.F. Ferguson; Henry Dial; W.L. Gibson and James Hall.

Blue Springs -- W.T. McAllister, chairman; Miss Margaret Gainey, vice - chairman; Gloria McLaughlin; L.B. Seals; T.J. Harris; Willie Davis; Roy Locklear; Shirley Leggett; Mrs. Julian Love and Mrs. Clydia Locklear.

Buchan -- C.G. Odom, chairman; Mrs. Elaine McGregor, vice-chairman; Mrs. Geneva Joy; E.P. Smith; Mrs. Nora Pickler; Mrs. Viola Davis; Gilbert McGregor; Mrs. Ruth Wilkerson; LeRoy Scott and Mrs. Bessie Smith.

Puppy Creek -- Mrs. Richard Neeley, chairman; Douglas Monroe, vice - chairman; Robert Graham; Mrs. Harold Monroe; Luther Cummings; Jimmy Dickson; Paul Johnson; Kerr Stevens; Lacy Hendrix and Buddy Newton.

Raeford One -- J.D. McMillian, chairman; Miss Frances Greene, vice - chairman; Marion Hollingsworth; Miss Jennie Matherly; Crawford Thomas; Harvey Warlick; William Hollingsworth; Mrs. Mary Farmer; John Nicholson and Mrs. Graham Clark.

Raeford Two -- William Lamont, chairman; Mrs. Charles Hostetler, vice - chairman; Bill Sellars; Bobby Baker; Mrs. A.D. Gore; N.J. Blue; Mrs. Julius Jordan; Mrs. James Adams; Mrs. Joseph Dupree and Benny McLeod.

Raeford Three - Mrs. J.K. Riley, chairman; Smith McInnis, vice - chairman; Mrs. William D. Cothran; Daniel H. DeVane; Mrs. Linda Scott; Mrs. Daniel Wright; Billy Posey; Raymond Hawkins; Mrs. Ozella Bridges and Mrs. B.B. Cole.

Raeford Four - Clayton Buoyer, chairman; Mrs. Younger Snead, Jr., vice - chairman; Randall Ashburn; E.R. Sutton; Bobby Cox; Alfred Leach; Younger Snead, Jr.; Jimmy Davis; Phil Diehl and Bruce Conoly.

Raeford Five -- G.A. Robinson, chairman; Mrs. Annie B. Farmer, vice - chairman; Hilton Villines; Mrs. Albert McPhatter; Mrs. Shirley Burney; Milton Leather; Mrs. Coheldia Lyons; Russell McAllister, Jr.; Mrs. Reba Allen and James F. McGregor.

Rockfish -- Mrs. Gilbert Ray, chairman; Thomas McInnis, vice chairman; Mrs.

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Youth Charged In Restaurant Damage

The Southern Restaurant was broken into early Saturday morning and ransacked, with dishes, bottles of ketchup and dressings, and glass coffee pots smashed and tables, chairs, coolers and other equipment destroyed.

Two plate glass windows in the front of the restaurant were broken out.

Harry Lyemn Bullard, a 17-year-old youth from Red Springs, was arrested in the building at 2 a.m. Saturday by city policeman J.C. Barrington.

Bullard is charged with two counts of injury to building and also breaking, entering and injury to personal property. He is accused of breaking three windows the same night in the Johnson Company next door to Southern Restaurant.

He is in Hoke County jail under a $8,000 bond awaiting a hearing in District Court Friday.

Damage at the restaurant was estimated by Police Chief L.W. Stanton at $1,000 to $1,500. The restaurant was closed three days to repair the damage to the inside.

Health Planning Council Getting In Operation

The South Central Comprehensive Health Planning Council, in which Hoke County is deeply involved, is rapidly getting into operation, with the hiring last week of a consultant.

George M. Stockbridge, the executive secretary of the Health Planning Council for Central North Carolina, which includes the area around Durham - Raleigh and Winston - Salem, will serve as a consultant for the newly - formed council here.

Origanizational meetings to form the council began last December, Joseph Lennon, assistant administrator of McCain Sanatorium and vice - chairman of the council said.

The council was incorporated this spring, with plans for full operation to begin this fall.

The council will serve a five county area made up of Hoke, Montgomery, Moore, Richmond and Scotland counties. Each county has ten representatives, more than half of which must be medical consumers. The other members are medical providers, such as doctors, pharmacists and other medical personnel.

The representatives from Hoke County are Dr. Riley Jordan, Joe S. Lennon, and Walter Coley, all providers and T.C. Jones, Neill McFadyen, T.B. Lester, Sam C. Morris, Donald Abernethy, Stephen L. Williams and Louis Oxendine, as consumers.

The council was established to help the region plan for and provide better medical service for the residents.

For example, Lennon said, Dr. Jordan pointed out the need for a visiting orthopedic surgeon to schedule regular visits to Raeford for orthopedic patients. By co - ordinating with other medical facilities, the existing facilities in the area could be made to serve the residents

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National Guard Returns From Annual Training

Raeford's National Guard unit returned Saturday from the annual two weeks of field training at Ft. Stewart, Ga., with an overall rating of satisfactory for the training.

The 2nd Battalion, 252nd Armor, North Carolina Army National Guard, with units in Raeford, Red Springs, Lumberton, Laurinburg, Sanford and Southern Pines, left May 23 for Ft. Stewart.

Upon arriving at Ft. Stewart on Sunday morning, the battalion moved directly to the field and set up bivouac.

The bivouac became a city in the woods with medical, mess, recreation, and operations facilities in tents.

The first week was devoted to platoon and company level training. The only live fire exercises conducted during the AT was by the battalion heavy mortar platoon.

The highlights of training came on Monday through Wednesday of the second week when this battalion and the 1st Battalion (Mechanized) 119th Infantry from the Akoskie area joined in conducting combined arms training.

Last Thursday the battalion moved to the cantonment area on main post and began the long and arduous task of turning in the equipment drawn for training.

Saturday the 558 men, officers and enlisted, left Ft. Stewart for home.

Lt. Col. Edwin D. Newton is the battalion commander and Capt. Fred L. McKenzie is the local unit commander.

Road Projects Announced

Bids for resurfacing about 49 miles in Hoke, Lee and Moore counties have been asked for this month by the State Highway Commission.

Details of 39 road projects containing 529 miles in 45 counties were released this week by the commission.

The bids on the projects will be opened on June 23 to determine the low bidders.

The project in Hoke, Lee and Moore counties contains 49.02 miles of concrete resurfacing for 15 sections of primary roads and 26 sections of secondary roads on U.S. 1, 401, 15 and 501 and N.C. 22, 5, 78, 87 and 211.

Rev. H.S. Winberry New Pastor Raeford United Methodist Church

The Rev. Herman Stanford Winberry will become pastor of Raeford United Methodist Church today to replace the Rev. R.C. Mooney, Jr.

The Rev. Mr. Mooney, who has been pastor here for the past two years, will go to the First Methodist Church in Graham.

The Rev. Mr. Winberry, a graduate of Duke University and Duke University Divinity School, comes here from Southern Pines United Methodist Church.

He has served as pastor of Westover Church in Raleigh, Granville charge, which included four churches in Vance County; Wesley Memorial Church in Wilmington; First Methodist Church, Louisburg; Trinity Methodist Church, Red Springs and Mount Olive Methodist Church in Manteo.

He was the first full time director of youth work for the North Carolina conference from 1957 to 1960 and was elected the first chairman of the N.C. Conference Commission on Christian Vocations.

He is now chairman of the North Carolina Conference Board of Education for the 1968-72 quadrennium.

The Rev. Mr. Winberry is a member of the N.C. Regional Commission on Christian Higher Education and Campus ministry and is a trustee of Louisburg College.

The Rev. H. S. Winberry

He is married to the former Mary Christine Crawford and they have a son, Herman Stanford, Jr., 15 and a daughter Lisa Ann, 10.

The Rev. Mr. Winberry is a native of Verona in Onslow County.