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## Lennon To Address Luncheon On Voting

### Around Town

BY SAM MORRIS

The books will be open at the polling places again Saturday for anyone who isn't registered to vote in the general election on Tuesday, November 3. We understand that in the town bond election last Saturday, that some came to vote who were not registered. So if you are not sure go by your voting place and check to be sure.

Congratulations to coach John Pecora for being named "coach of the week." He and his staff have done an excellent job this year. So show your appreciation for this fine job by attending the next three games. Follow the Bucks to Dunn Friday night and give them your support.

The performance of the Hoke High School band between halves at the game last Friday night was something to behold. The music and the marching was excellent. We again offer our praise to Jimmy James for a job well done.

We are grateful to the citizens of Raeford for their vote on the bond issues last Saturday. The turnout was small, but still large enough to show the city council that the people are behind them.

We appreciate the following letter received from city manager John Gaddy. The letter follows:

On behalf of the Mayor and City Council I would like to take this opportunity to thank you and the staff of the News-Journal for your support in the recent Bond referendum authorizing the City to spend money for the betterment of our City and to assure our residents the best, in utility service, not only today, but for the future as well.

The fine turnout and affirmative backing from the public assures the City council of the expectation and desire of the people in Raeford to go forward in their endeavor to keep Raeford a good place to live, work and raise their families.

Thanking you again, I am,  
Yours truly,  
John D. Gaddy  
City Manager

The following letter is self-explanatory. We are grateful to Mrs. Harris for her kind words about the paper.

Dear Mr. Morris:  
Thank you very much for the flowery notice of the expiration of my subscription to the paper. I knew that I had missed the paper one week several weeks ago but did not stop to think that the subscription may have expired when the next week it came. I did mention this to my mother (Mrs. Clifford McNeil at Howell Co.) when she was visiting me recently and assumed that maybe she had spoke to you about it. At any rate I am enclosing my check for the renewal and want to thank you again for sending the paper to me. I always enjoy the paper and even though many of the folks I knew and went to school with are scattered now, they occasionally visit Raeford and get in the news.

"One thing I would appreciate your mentioning in your column for me is that the graduating class at Hoke High for the year 1947 will have a 25th anniversary (I'm not that old, am I?) in June of 1972 and I, ALONG with several others have been toying with the idea of a 25th reunion. We attempted one on the 15th anniversary, but something happened and plans were never carried out. I am wondering how many in the reach of your paper would be interested and how much interest could be stimulated toward such an occasion. It is certainly not too soon to begin planning for such an occasion with so many of our number scattered to the four corners of the world, so to speak.

"If there are those who are interested, I would appreciate hearing from them with any ideas they may have and any information they may have concerning the whereabouts of members of the class.

Thank you very much.  
Sincerely,  
Jean Ray Harris  
Office Manager  
3309 Bragg Blvd.  
Fayetteville, N.C. 28303"

### Judge Dupree Hospitalized

Judge Joseph Dupree, District Court judge, is scheduled for surgery Thursday at Moore Memorial Hospital.  
Judge Dupree was hospitalized last week for tests which revealed a stomach ulcer.

### Three Charged In Vandalism

Four plate-glass windows in the Johnson Company were broken by drink bottles early Friday morning and three Red Springs youths were arrested after a chase through downtown Raeford shortly after midnight Friday.

Arrested in connection with the damage were Bobbie Rawls and Donald Barton of Rt. 1, Red Springs and Alton Bullard of Rt. 4, Red Springs.

City policemen J.C. Barrington and G.G. Faircloth said they saw Bullard throw a bottle through one of the windows and heard other glass shatter. Then they saw the three boys run away from the building.

Bullard was apprehended and placed in the police squad car, but escaped as the two policemen were chasing the other youths, Faircloth said.

After they had arrested Barton and Rawls, they drove along South Main near the new textile industry under construction and saw Bullard walking along the highway, Faircloth said. They gave chase and Barrington fired a warning shot at Bullard, according to Faircloth. He said Bullard stopped at the shot and was placed under arrest.

The youths were tried in District Court Friday with Judge George Stuhl presiding. Barton and Rawls were found not guilty after Barrington testified that he did not see them throw anything.

Bullard was found guilty and sentenced to 60 days suspended and fined \$10 and costs. He was also ordered to pay \$100 restitution to The Johnson Company.

### United Fund Meeting Set

The board of directors of the United Fund will meet Thursday at 7:45 p.m. at the Board of Education building.

New officers and five new directors will be elected. Ed Murray, president, announced.

The directors will approve the budget and set the date for this year's United Fund drive.

A campaign manager will also be approved by the directors.

### City Approves Recreation Fund

Joint city-county recreation fund was approved Monday in a special meeting of the city council.

The council voted to provide \$1,500 if the county would furnish the remainder of the funds.

The motion was made by Councilman J.D. McMillian and seconded by Councilman Crawford Thomas.

Earlier this month United Fund officials Ed Murray and Sam C. Morris appeared before both the county



SOMEDAY SOON--The new Knit-Away, Inc. textile plant now under construction on South Main Street will soon look like the architects rendering proudly displayed by Mrs. Inge Hytton, executive secretary of Knit-Away, Inc.

### Few Voters Go To Polls To Approve Bond Issue

City voters approved by a large margin a \$140,000 water and sewer bond issue in a special election held Saturday. The water bonds passed 148 to 33 while the sewer bonds were approved by 148 voters and opposed by 35. There are 1126 registered voters in Raeford.

In addition to the \$140,000 provided by the city, federal grants of \$103,000 will be available. Another \$29,000 from a previous city bond issue will be spent by the city to construct the new water and sewer lines.

The new utilities will serve Knit-Away, Inc. and the Holly Park subdivision as well as overloading on the present sewer lines.

An 18-inch sewer line will be constructed parallel to the present 12-inch line which is now inadequate and frequently overflows near Raeford Turkey Farm. The new line will be the third sewer line built along the same route. According to the engineer's study, the 18-inch line will be large enough to allow for expected industrial and residential expansion, city manager John D. Gaddy said.

The city expects the new knitting industry to add \$30,311.74 a year to city revenue for water and sewer service. Debt service payments on the bonds will amount to \$23,660 a year, Gaddy said.

Construction of the water facilities is expected to begin soon, Gaddy said. Final plans for the sewer line are not complete.

### Jaycees Will Host Model Airplane Show

Model airplanes will be on exhibition in Raeford's first Fun Fly, sponsored by the Raeford Jaycee Nov. 15.

Radio control and control-line models will participate in the show, which is being held in conjunction with the Ft. Bragg Model Airplane Club.

David Skinner, who is a member of both the Raeford Jaycees and the Ft. Bragg club, and who staged a Fun Fly in Lumberton recently, is chairman of the event.

The show will be held behind the Hoke High School stadium from noon to 6 p.m. There will be no admission charge but donations will be accepted for the Jaycee's Christmas fund for needy children.

### Store Reports Break-In

A break-in was reported last Saturday morning at the C.W. Jackson store at Davis's Bridge.

Goods valued at an estimated \$350 - \$500 were reported missing. This included 100 cartons of cigarettes, 49 cases of beer, several beef steaks and other food.

An investigation by the sheriff's department is continuing. No arrests have been made.

Representative Alton Lennon will speak at a dutch-treat luncheon sponsored by the Raeford - Hoke Chamber of Commerce Tuesday at 1 p.m. at The Family Restaurant.

He will discuss the privilege of voting on election day Nov. 3 and urge all voters to go to the polls that day.

Rep. Lennon's visit was announced at the October meeting of the Chamber of Commerce board of directors Tuesday morning.

In other business, the directors set the annual Christmas parade for Dec. 4 at 4 p.m. The Chamber is expecting the parade this year to equal last year's 50 floats, Chamber manager Harold Gillis said.

Professional floats will be available for sponsors at the same price as last year, Gillis said. Other floats by churches, civic groups, schools and individuals are urged to enter.

The directors approved a suggestion that donations to the Empty Stomach Fund this year be made at the Chamber office and that a list of contributors be published in The News Journal each week beginning Nov. 15.

A Christmas tree which had been used to recognize contributors for the past several years is not strong enough to be used this year without extensive repairs, Gillis explained.

A meeting of local merchants to set Christmas hours and poll businesses concerning closing on Dec. 26, a Saturday, was planned by the directors.

The board also called attention to a Small Business Management Institute, sponsored by the Chamber and Sandhills Community College, to be held at Hoke High School on Monday and Wednesday evenings from 7 - 9 on Nov. 4 through Dec. 7.

Mark Jay King, Jr., a retired management consultant, will teach the class. Registration closes Oct. 30. Further details may be obtained from the Chamber of Commerce office.

The directors were encouraged to attend a leadership conference at Pinehurst on Nov. 19.

A report on the financial status and on dues and membership was given to the directors.

The board also discussed the results of the recent Firemen's Week activities and suggestions were made for next year's program.

### Dawkins Meets With Officials

A request by city and county officials for a highway supervisor for Hoke County was denied Monday in a meeting with Highway Commissioner Charles Dawkins.

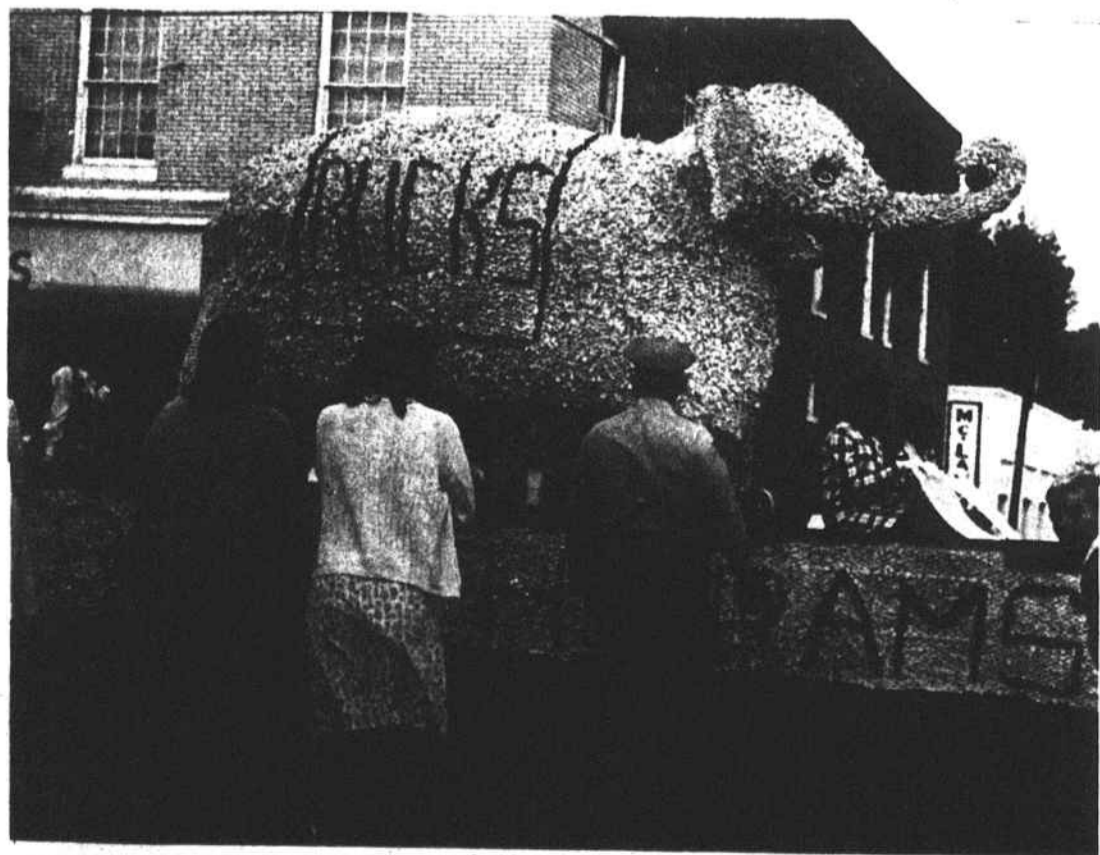
Hoke County does not have sufficient mileage on the state system to justify a full time supervisor for the county, Dawkins said.

Jimmy Lee, of Scotland County, is the present supervisor for a district composed of Hoke and Scotland counties.

Dawkins told the local officials that communications would be improved between the supervisor's office and Hoke County.

Several other proposals to provide a supervisor in the county at least part-time were discussed.

T.B. Lester, county manager, explained that a supervisor was needed for county residents to be able to get help or advice on highway matters directly from the department.



WINNERS--The Sophomore float with the slogan "Crush the Rams" was chosen as the winning display at the Homecoming parade last Friday. Riding with the pink elephant are (front left to right) Cinderella Bratcher and Lillian Kershaw; (back) Flossie Dupree.

### Saturday Last Day To Register!



NEW MANAGER--Semi Mintz has been named the personnel manager at Knit-Away, Inc. A native of Raleigh, he was employed with Madison Throwing Company, Madison, N.C. as director of training before coming to Knit-Away. Mintz is a 1959 graduate of Davidson College where he lettered in tennis and basketball. After graduation, he taught English and coached basketball and tennis in Wilmington for two years and then joined Burlington Industries in personnel. Mintz, a bachelor, lives at 116 South Jackson Street.