

Around Town

By SAM C. MORRIS

The member-guest tournament at the Arabia Golf Course was very successful. The weather was perfect except for a little wind. We also understand that the steak supper was a success. We know that the success of this tournament came from the hard work of the committee composed of Raz Autry, Joe Upchurch and C.D. Bounds. We congratulate them on a job well done.

We think that a word of praise should go to Brown Hendrix and his son, David Hendrix, who had the course in such fine condition. We think that the course is in the best shape it has ever been in.

Anyway we think everyone had a fine time, win or lose.

The rain arrived in the county Monday and as we write this early Tuesday morning it is still raining and we can't see much chance of it letting up today. More woes for the farmers.

We appreciate the following letter which we think is self-explanatory.

Dear Mr. Morris:
I recently attended the annual Distributive Education conference at St. Andrews College in Lenoir, where all D.E. coordinators in the state were present.

Before attending the conference, a letter was sent to each coordinator asking him to bring a maximum of ten newspaper articles concerning his D.E. program during the past year. These articles were mounted on a cardboard sheet, put on display, and judged. Mr. Lewis Owens, the advertising manager of THE CHARLOTTE OBSERVER, made the decision of the winner.

I was very pleased to learn that Hoke High School won first place from the articles I had submitted from THE NEWS-JOURNAL. I would like to thank you, Mr. Morris, and the entire staff for the cooperation you have given the D.E. Department at Hoke High. We at the school received the trophy, but you and your staff deserve the credit for making that award possible. It is gratifying to know that the staff of THE NEWS-JOURNAL has such a fine spirit of

cooperation with its community.

Sincerely,
Donald D. Steed

We were asked by Raz Autry, principal at Hoke County High School to print the following notice:

"All parents of seniors at Hoke High for this school year are urged to come to meet with Guidance Counselors and Mr. Autry on August 26 at the Gibson Cafeteria at 8:00 p.m.

Raeferd gets into the papers in all sorts of ways. The following is reprinted from The Virginia Pilot in Norfolk. It was written by Virginia McNeill's husband, Lawrence Maddry. Maddry, a graduate of the University of North Carolina, was a reporter for The News-Journal several years ago. Mrs. Maddry is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence McNeill.

Maddry said he was "painted into a corner relatively":
DON'T EVER GO TO Raeferd, N.C., for a vacation at the home of your in-laws. I have just been through that punishment. On a pain chart it ranks higher than childbirth and just below death by fire.

This is mainly because any out-of-town man who marries a girl from Raeferd is always going to be known as that girl's husband. Or, as they say in my case, "that fellow Virginia married."

And it doesn't make a damn who you are, either. I mean if Pat Nixon were from Raeferd and the President flew to her hometown with 50 Secret Servicemen and a color guard, it would be the same. In his case, the mayor of Raeferd might greet the President at the airport. And, as soon as they plugged in the microphone, the first thing he'd say would be: "Folks, this here's Pat's husband."

A man can get awful tired of that kind of treatment. We have been going down to Raeferd for years. It is always the same. I once had a badge printed in Norfolk with my name on it. It was about the size of an Esso sign. I wore it on my lapel to all those Raeferd cookouts and church suppers. Virginia would be

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Physicals Set For Players

Physical examinations for Upchurch Junior High football players will be held Aug. 24 from 12 - 3 p.m. at Hoke High School.

Physicians from the 82nd Airborne Division will give the examinations. Junior high athletes are to meet at the athletic office at the high school at noon.



PETER GARRETT

County Holds Surprises For Summer Researcher

A study of what was believed to be one of the biggest public health problems in the county has turned up some surprises for Peter Garrett, a medical school student from the University of Pittsburgh.

Garrett has spent the summer in the county on a research project to determine the prevalence of hookworm infestation in Hoke County and the prevalence of anemia, which is closely associated with hookworms. His study was also designed to reveal the overlap of the two problems and to pinpoint infested children for treatment.

Garrett said that in talking with professors at the university, it was generally agreed that hookworm would be a big problem here.

"In fact," he said, "the week I came down here, the article on Hoke County in Time Magazine quoted a figure of 30% infestation. I figured Time already had the answer to my study before I even got started."

With the permission of county school and health authorities and of the children's parents, Garrett began testing the students in the ESEA summer reading program. He checked heights and weights and collected blood samples on 442 school children. In addition, visiting each school twice, he collected stool samples from 345 children. These were tested for parasites by the state laboratory.

Then came the surprise. From 555 stool samples collected, there were only five positive findings of hookworms, and a total of 15 positive findings of any kind of worms.

This amounts to about one per cent, but Garrett cautions against accepting the figures uncritically. There were several factors in the study which affect the figures, he explained.

First, he said, hookworm eggs are hard to find in samples and a minimum of three samples are recommended for each child. Garrett said he only collected an average of 1.6 samples per child for his study.

Second, he explained, about 85 per cent of the students in his study were blacks, who, it has been found, have a higher resistance to hookworm infestation than do other races.

"It is almost impossible to say with any certainty just what the percentage of hookworm infestation in the county," he said, "but my guess is that it may be around one or two per cent."

Garrett said that he would guess that the incidence was negligible in both blacks and whites and perhaps as high as

ten per cent in Indians, who seem to be much more susceptible to infestation.

A further surprise to him was the percentage of anemia found in the summer school children.

"The anemia rate was about five per cent," he said. "This is about the same as you would find in Scarsdale, N.Y."

Garrett had some ideas on why his study turned up such unexpected results.

He credited the school lunch program with reducing both the degree in hookworm infestation and anemia.

"The better nutrition makes the kids more resistant to infestation and if they do get hookworms, the effects are milder," he said. A study done in Hawkeye School in 1965 showed 168 children out of 360 tested had hookworms. Garrett's study indicated a huge reduction in infestation.

Furthermore, Garrett said that tests on pre-school children indicate a higher rate of anemia than he found in his school-aged children. Both these findings support his ideas that the school lunch program has played a significant part in improving the children's health, he said.

Not all of his surprises this summer have come from the results of his project, Garrett admitted. While he had been to Durham and Raleigh before coming to Raeferd, this was the first visit to the rural South for the native New Yorker.

"The county was a tremendous, and very pleasant, surprise for me," he said. Prepared for poverty and conditioned by news media coverage of the squalor found in some areas of the region, Garrett said he had not expected to find the attractive homes and countryside here.

"I hear people fuss about pollution around here and I just have to laugh," he said. "There's no comparison to what you'll find around Pittsburgh and New York."

"In fact, I'll have to say that Raeferd has Pittsburgh beat by a mile and a half," Garrett said he was impressed with the friendly cooperation he received from everyone connected with the project -- from the school superintendent, teachers, students, parents, health department and Army personnel and others.

"I couldn't have done all the things that had to be done for this project without a tremendous amount of cooperation from everyone," he said.

Garrett is returning to Pittsburgh next week to begin his second year of medical school. He already holds a master's degree in public health.

Debbie Didn't Place At Junior Olympics

Debbie Little made the best jump of her career but finished well behind the winner at the AAU Junior Olympic national championship track and field meet held in Colorado Springs last week.

Miss Little said she jumped 5' 1", topping her previous high of 5' 0". The winner, Denise Kemp of Reno, Nev., set a new record for the girl's high jump, with a 5' 4 1/2" mark.

Debbie told her coach, Billy Colston, that she was the fifth to jump in the competition and that she thought she placed about eighth out of 14 girls in the event. She and her mother, Mrs. Ernest Little, left Colorado early Friday morning before they found out the complete placings, Colston said.

Debbie flew to Atlanta on Aug. 9 and joined a charter flight there of about 30 winners from this area.

While in Colorado, she toured the Air Force Academy where the meet was held and visited the Flying W Ranch near Colorado Springs.

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One Car Crash On 401 Kills Three In Family

Opening Of Court Term Delayed Until Thursday

The opening of the superior court session scheduled to begin last Monday has been postponed twice and is rescheduled to open this morning.

The delay, according to E.E. Smith, clerk of superior court, has been caused by the unavailability of a judge to preside at the session. Judge Clarence W. Hall was scheduled to preside, but was detained in Wake County by a case that continued past the normal session over the weekend and through the first part of this week. No other judges, apparently, were available to take the Hoke County session, so the superior court term was delayed here.

Smith said that there were about three judgeships vacant in the state now.

Superior court opened here Monday by Sheriff D.M. Barrington and was recessed immediately until Wednesday, when Judge Hall was expected to be ready for court. However, on Wednesday, he was still delayed, so court was again opened and recessed until Thursday morning, following instruction by the judge.

Smith said that in a phone conversation, Judge Hall indicated that after court opened Thursday, a grand jury would be selected and the rest of the jurors would be dismissed for the term. Guilty pleas would probably be disposed of in the remaining two days of the session, Smith said.

He speculated that a special term of court might be called because of the number of persons in jail awaiting trial and to prevent a large backlog of cases for the November term.

Jurors for this session must be paid for the two full days of court on Monday and Wednesday, even though they were dismissed immediately after the court opened, Smith said.

Man Sought For Cutting

A warrant has been issued for a Robeson County man following a cutting at a McNeill's Lake grocery store Thursday evening.

Sheriff D.M. Barrington said that James Earl Collins of near Lumber Bridge was being sought in connection with the wounding of George Windburn, Jr. during a fight at the store early Thursday evening.

Windburn was hospitalized with facial cuts.

ABC Profits Up \$7,000

Income to the county from liquor sales increased more than \$7,000 this past year over revenues in 1970.

According to the auditor's report for 1971, the Alcoholic Beverage Control store distributed \$51,277.95 to the county compared with distributions of \$44,109.33 the year before.

However, revenue this year is still more than \$10,000 less than the county received in 1969, before ABC stores opened in surrounding areas.

The ABC store had a net profit this year of \$61,458.85. Of this, \$6,143.63, or ten per cent, was distributed to the law enforcement fund and \$3,071.81, or five per cent, was put in the education and research fund.

Net income for the year was \$52,220.86.

In the nine years that the ABC store has been open here, the payments to the county have ranged from a high of \$70,000 in 1965 to a low of \$20,000 during the first full year of operation in 1964. In 1969, the county's share dropped from \$62,407.84 to \$44,209.33.

Judge Makes Steady Job Condition For Probation

A man convicted of misdemeanor larceny was placed on probation on the condition that he find and hold a steady job.

Leonard Hurst of Rt. 3, Raeferd pleaded guilty in district court Friday. He was sentenced to two years suspended for 3 1/2 years with 3 1/2 years probation.

He was ordered to find a job with the assistance of the probation officer and to work regularly. Any absences must be accompanied by a doctor's statement, according to the court order.

Hurst was ordered to pay \$500 in damages to Mrs. Rosa Lee Gilbert and to pay court costs.

The state took a nol pro on a charge of felonious receiving.

Appals to superior court were withdrawn in two cases. Robert Fauster Lee of Raeferd, withdrew his appeal and accepted the district court judgment on charges of DUI, careless and reckless driving and resisting arrest.

Walter Jones Everette of Rt.

1, Raeferd, withdrew his appeal on a prearranged racing conviction.

George Bullard of Hoke County appealed the revocation of his probation for an assault conviction.

Dennis Bervard Davis of Raeferd pleaded guilty to speeding 78 in a 55 mph zone and was sentenced to 30 days suspended and was fined \$25 and court costs.

William Purcell of Rt. 3, Red Springs pleaded guilty to assault with a deadly weapon and was sentenced to six months suspended for three years. He was ordered to pay \$50 to Pete Daniels and not to go upon the Daniels' property or to molest him in any way for the next three years. He was charged court costs.

Robert Lee McPhaul of Raeferd pleaded guilty to DUI, second offense and driving without a license. He was sentenced to 18 months suspended for 3 1/2 years with 3 1/2 years probation. He was ordered to give up his limited driving privilege and not drive

for the next two years. McPhaul was fined \$400 and court costs. The breathalyzer reading was .12 per cent.

Lacy Hasty of Raeferd pleaded guilty to DUI, third offense and was sentenced to two years suspended for 3 1/2 years with 3 1/2 years probation. He was ordered not to drive for two years and was fined \$500 and costs. The breathalyzer reading was .13 per cent.

Raymond McNair of Raeferd pleaded guilty to DUI and was sentenced to six months with capias and or commitment to issue at any time during the next 18 months upon conviction or a traffic violation. He was ordered not to drive for the next 12 months except under the conditions of a limited driving privilege. McNair was fined \$125 and costs. The breathalyzer reading was .15 per cent.

Allen Clarence Tew of Raeferd pleaded guilty to DUI and was sentenced to six months suspended for 18 months with 18 months

probation. He was ordered not to drive for 12 months and was fined \$125 and costs. There was no breathalyzer.

James McEachern of Fayetteville pleaded guilty to public drunkenness and was sentenced to ten days suspended and was fined \$10 and costs.

Ernest Howard Lilly of Parkton was sentenced to ten days suspended and was fined \$10 and costs for littering the highway.

Perry Lee Hall of Norwood pleaded guilty to driving without a license and was sentenced to 30 days suspended and was fined \$25 and costs.

Preston Chavis of Fayetteville was sentenced to 90 days in prison after pleading guilty to DUI. There was no breathalyzer.

Worth Allen McCall of Mebane pleaded guilty to DUI and was sentenced to six months with capias and or commitment to issue at any time during the next 18

months with 18 months

probation. He praised the help of the sheriff's department and the Hoke County Rescue Squad, also commented favorably on the new medical examiner system, which has been in operation in the county for the past three months. Under the system, a physician must go to the scene of a fatality. Dr. Riley Jordan investigated this accident.

This is the third multiple-death accident in the county since July 22 when two soldiers were killed in a one-car crash on Vass Road. On Aug. 5, three persons died in a car-truck collision on 401-Bypass near Virgil's Drive-in. Two other persons died in a car-truck crash near that same spot on April 1.

This wreck brings the traffic death toll in the county to 19, compared to ten traffic deaths here last year. So far, ten persons have been killed on 401. Most of the deaths have occurred in one-car accidents.

Miss Flossie Ezzell has been named manager of Macks in Raeferd, succeeding Winston Riddle who was transferred to Concord.

A native of Warsaw, where she first joined the Macks chain, Miss Ezzell has managed stores in Carthage, Lillington and Southern Pines.

She began her duties in Raeferd last Thursday. Presently living in Southern Pines, she is planning to move to Raeferd soon.

Miss Ezzell Heads Macks

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