

Deaths And Funerals

Mrs. Chris Ella McArn
Funeral services for Mrs. Chris Ella McArn, of the Bridges Grove Community near Shannon were held Friday at 2:30 p.m. in the Friendship Grove Free Will Baptist Church by the Rev. Robert Douglas. Burial was in the church cemetery. Funeral arrangements were made by Dobie Funeral Home.

Mrs. Blanche Maynor
Funeral services for Mrs. Blanche Maynor were held Sunday at 3 p.m. in the Little Marsh A.M.E. Zion Church of St. Pauls, by the Rev. C.T. Farrar. She died last Tuesday. Mrs. Maynor was the wife of the Rev. J.S. Maynor. Funeral arrangements were made by the Buie Funeral Home in Raeford.

Mrs. Susan Rogers
Funeral services for Mrs. Susan Rogers, 83, who died last week in a Raleigh Hospital were held last Thursday at 2 p.m. in the Crumpler Funeral Home Chapel by the Rev. Jack Mansfield. Burial was in the Latta Cemetery in Latta, S.C. Surviving are a daughter, Mrs. Margaret Jones of Latta; two sons, Thomas Stanton Rogers of Marietta and William Rufus Rogers of Raeford; one brother, Nathan Rogers of Conway, S.C.; 12 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

Paul R. Tatum
Funeral services for Paul Robert Tatum, 61, who died last week in a Raleigh Hospital were held last Wednesday in the Crumpler Funeral Home Chapel by the Rev. Eugene Gagsens. Burial was in the Highland Biblical Gardens.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Joy Tatum; five daughters, Mrs. Agnes Ayers of Greensboro, Mrs. Lula Kucke of Cleveland, Ohio, Mrs. Donna Harris of Raeford, Mrs. Paula Morris of Snow Hill and Miss Connie Tatum of Cleveland; six sons, Alonzo of Snow Hill, Richard, Durwood and James, of Greensboro, Arnold of Raeford and Ronnie of the home; two sisters, Mrs. Estelle Brown of Dunn and Mrs. Alma Ramsey of Henderson; one brother, Malcolm Shaw of Fayetteville; 17 grandchildren.

Mrs. Romie Edwards Smoak
Mrs. Romie Edwards Smoak, retired school teacher of Hoke County School died last week at age 72. Funeral services were held Friday in the Shiloh Presbyterian Church by the Revs. Allen Smyth and Vance Baucom. Burial was in the church cemetery.

She is survived by her husband, R.A. Smoak; two daughters, Mrs. Earl D. Montague of Sumter, S.C. and Mrs. Harry Garber of Arlington, Va.; her mother, Mrs. Fannie Mason Edwards of Sumter; two grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Mrs. Maggie Jane McCormick
Funeral services for Mrs. Maggie Jane McCormick Evans were held Sunday at the Walls Chapel United Methodist Church in Bowmore by the Rev. J.O. Smith. She died at age 88 in Scotland Memorial Hospital.

After completing her education in Lumberton and Franklin, she taught school for several years in Hoke County. She is survived by four daughters, Mrs. Queen E. Graham of Red Springs, Mrs. Vandelia Blue of Fayetteville, Mrs. Vashiti Toram of Maxton and Mrs. Addie Dupree of New York; two sons, John and Richard Mack of Brooklyn, N.Y.; two sisters, Mrs. Mayme E. McCormick of Baltimore and Mrs. Vashiti Almond of Brooklyn; several grandchildren and great-grandchildren.



James McDiarmid
Funeral services for James McKinnon McDiarmid were held Monday at the First Presbyterian Church in Raeford by the Rev. John Ropp, pastor of the church, and the Rev. Layton McKeithan of the Highland Presbyterian Church in Fayetteville. Burial was in Raeford Cemetery. He died May 5 in Rosemont, Pa.

He was born in Raeford on Sept. 13, 1921 and received his education at Hoke County High, McCallie's and the University of North Carolina, where he graduated in 1949 with a bachelor of science in zoology. He then began working for the U. S. Public Health Service and in 1960 was made chief of the Communicable Disease Control of the U.S. Dept. of Health, where he worked until his death.

He served with the military in the 8th Armored Division from 1940 - 45, when he was discharged with the rank of master sergeant. He saw action in WW II at the Battle of the Bulge.

He also served as an Elder and Deacon in the Presbyterian Church.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Joyce McDiarmid of Rosemont, Pa.; his mother, Mrs. T. D. Hatcher (former Mrs. Hector McKinnon McDiarmid of Fayetteville); one daughter, Mrs. Rebecca Ann McDiarmid Pearsall of Wakefield, R. I.; five sons, James Jr., of Tarakue, New Zealand, Grover Williamson of Athens, Greece, Dennis Scott of Rosemont, Mark Sanford of Athens, Tod Durant of Rosemont; one brother, Harold David of Jackson, Miss.; and two grandchildren.

The family has requested that friends may send a donation to the James M. McDiarmid Memorial Fund, 300 Vance Hall, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, in lieu of flowers.

Social Security News

C. V. SHELTON
FIELD REPRESENTATIVE
Fayetteville Social Security Office

I've been harping in these columns to call Fayetteville to file your claim for Social Security benefits!

To this you might well reply that that is fine, but I have to make a long distance call to Fayetteville from where I live, and this will cost me money. Also, since I understand it might take from 15 to 45 minutes to file my claim via the telephone, this could really run my phone bill up.

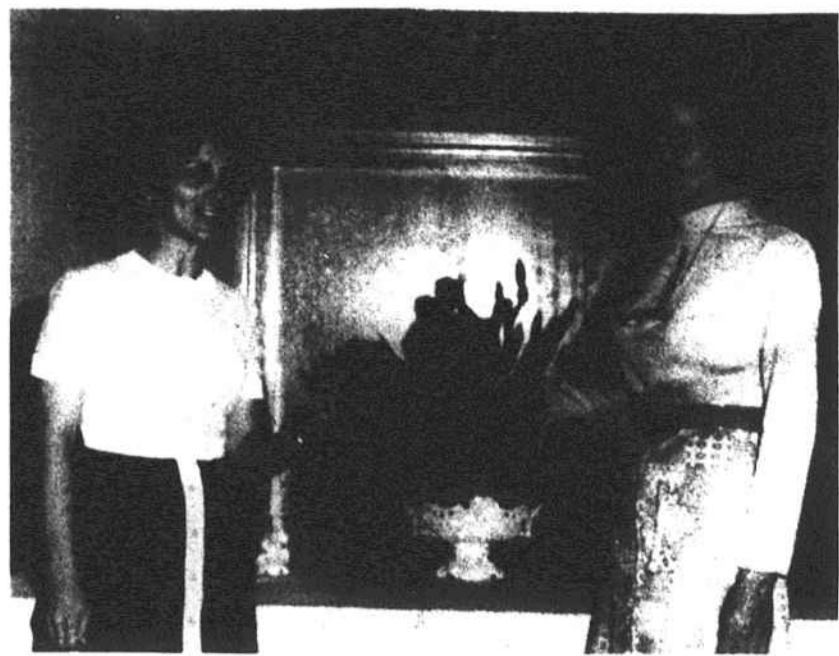
I am sorry if I have confused anyone regarding a teleclaim, as we call it. There are several ways we can overcome anyone wishing to file his claim by phone from running up his phone bill.

First, all you need do is phone us in Fayetteville at 483-2661, and let the person you speak to know that you are interested in filing a claim for social security benefits. That person will get your name and phone number and have one of our claims representatives call you back. All of this shouldn't take more than the initial three minutes allowed for a long distance call and the charge should not be more than 45 cents.

Second, if you want to save the 45 cents involved in a long distance call, you can drop us a line or mail us a post card asking to have your claim filed by phone. Include your name and telephone number, and we will call you.

At this point, you may well be wondering that all of these long distance calls are going to cost the Social Security Administration a lot of money. This is not so, as the Social Security Administration makes use of the Federal Telecommunications System which is a leased phone system for which there is a flat monthly charge not based upon the total number of long distance calls made.

Again, our telephone number in Fayetteville is 483-2661. Call us!



NEW OFFICER -- Mrs. Hubert Cameron (right) hands Mrs. Robert Townsend the key of office of president of the Raeford Women's Club at their installation meeting last week.

Hoke Highlights

By Debbie Leach



HOKE CHORALE -- Members of the Hoke High Choral who will perform at UNC-G are pictured. (front row, from left) - Linda Barfield, Debbie Sue Vanhoy, Mary Margaret Sawyer, (row 2) - Sally Austin, Kelly Jordan, Sally MacJohnson, (row 3) - Joe McGowan, Stephen Ellis, William Woods, (row 4) - Edison Glover, Kathy Currie and Randy Huff.

The girls' track team has done it again! Saturday the girls traveled to Morehead City to compete in the relays. Our girls took first place in six of the possible nine events! Out of six schools, our girls came in first! Friday the team will travel to High Point to compete in the state meet. No doubt, our girls will be the best in the state.

Last Tuesday the boys' track team was host to Seventy-First. The boys fought hard but were defeated 81 - 47 in

the last match of the season. The boys who qualified traveled to Pembroke Friday to compete in the sectionals. Our fellows put forth a lot of effort but were defeated. Despite this defeat, all in all, the team had an outstanding season. We are all very proud of them.

The baseball team ended their season last Thursday when they tackled the Clinton Dark Horses. Our Bucks fought hard but were defeated 9 - 5. The season has been a tough one for the Bucks this year. With practice they will show everybody who's who next year!

With all sports ended, plans

for the annual athletic banquet are being made. The big event will be held next Tuesday night May 16. All the athletes are eagerly looking forward to it.

The Library Club met during lunch last Tuesday April 25. The purpose of the meeting was to elect officers for next year. Those elected were Kim Thacker, president; Susan Sanderson, secretary and Betty Postel, reporter. The remaining officers will be chosen next year from the new members.

The F.T.A. met last Thursday night. The members planned and began preparing everything for the annual Senior Breakfast.

Summer School

Hoke County public schools have announced the dates for the summer school session. Classes will begin on June 19, with the final day of attendance set for July 28 for students and July 31 for teachers. School will not be in session on July 4.

Details are not yet complete, but the tentative schedule includes English and history on the high school level and remedial language arts on the grade school level.

Choral Group Performs

A group of choral students from Hoke High and their director, Mrs. Mary Archie McNeill, represented the school in the annual All-State Choral Festival on the campus of the University of North Carolina at Greensboro last week.

The 500 voice chorus, conducted by Dr. Don Moses of Indiana University represented the best of choral students from over fifty high schools across North Carolina. The festival consisted of five two- and a-half hour class rehearsals and was climaxed in a public concert on Friday evening at Aycock Auditorium at UNC-G. This all-state festival is sponsored annually by the choral section of the North Carolina Music Educators Assn.

The program of music included the "Gloria" by Vivaldi, "Christ Be Thine Glory" by Shutz, "Shout On" by Wood - Parker, "Eloquence" by Haydn and "Fiddler on the Roof," arranged by N. Leyden.

In October the Hoke High Choral was one of the honor groups to perform at the Fall State Convention of the North Carolina Educators Assn. held in Charlotte.

The group consists of Sally Austin, Linda Barfield, Kathy Currie, Stephen Ellis, Edison Glover, Randy Huff, Sallie Mac Johnson, Kelly Jordan, Joe McGowan, Mary Margaret Sawyer, Debbie Sue Vanhoy and William Woods.



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Bank Officer

President and chairman of the board of Southern National Corporation, Hector MacLean announced the appointment of John Taylor, assistant vice president, as chief operations officer for Southern National Bank.

Taylor joined Southern National Bank in January 1971. He was formerly associated with Sears - Roebuck from 1966-1968 and Wachovia Bank and Trust Company in Raleigh from 1968 - 1970. Taylor was promoted to assistant vice president in November, 1971.

Originally from Mt. Airy, Taylor holds a degree in business administration from the University of N.C. in Chapel Hill.

Based on rainfall measured at 16 reporting points across the state, North Carolina received higher than average rain amounts in the September-October period. The excesses range from 1 inch over normal at Waynesville in the mountains to over 11 inches at Plymouth in the Tidewater.

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