

Around Town

By SAM C. MORRIS

A memo from Mrs. Charlotte MacDonald, clerk at the local Selective Service office, states that the office will be closed Tuesday and Wednesday, August 22 and 23, due to a staff conference in Raleigh on those days.

The Rev. Joe Amory of Dunedin, Fla., preached at the morning worship service Sunday at the Raeford Presbyterian Church as the pastor, the Rev. John Ropp was on vacation. Joe is associate minister with the Rev. W. B. Heyward. He stated that Bill Heyward said that one reason he wanted Joe associated with him was that he wanted a man that had less hair. Joe said that he may lose his job because Bill is catching up with him fast.

It was hard to believe that the Amory family has been gone from here for 14 years, but as we all get older, time seems to go by faster.

Raz Autry must had a bad round in the golf tournament at Arabia Golf Course last weekend as the scores were not turned in to the paper. The reason I made this statement is that Tom McBryde said that Raz didn't turn in the scores of the last tournament because he had a round near 100. This is hard to believe because Raz is usually in the 80s.

This paper likes to print letters to the editor because when someone finds fault with this paper, it shows that it is being read. There is one type of letter that the paper will not print, and that is a letter that is not signed. If anyone wants to find fault with anything they should be strong enough to let others know who they are. Anything that I write is under my signature and so are the other writers in this paper. So if you have written to the editor and it did not appear in print, it is because you failed to sign your name to the letter. The paper will omit your name upon request, but you must sign the letter for it to appear in print.

Superior Court will be in session for the next three weeks in Hoke County trying to clear the backlog on the docket. I know that this must be done but I can only think about what will be happening to the case that will be scheduled for District Court during that time. Chief Justice Burger made a statement last week about the critical situation in our court dockets all over the country. He seemed to think that our court system must be looked into, or we will be in trouble before too long. Let's hope something can be done about this problem.

Mrs. A.D. Gore brought a key ring into the office Monday with three keys on it. She found the keys Sunday and if the owner will come by The News-Journal office he or she can get the keys. So if you have lost any keys come by and take a look.

'Look First In Raeford'

"Look first in Raeford." If those words don't seem to hold any particular significance for you now, they soon will. This is the slogan that was adopted for

School Hours Set

School hours for the coming year have been set by the administrative staff of the Hoke County Schools. Some changes were necessary to accommodate the new bus routes for the county schools.

The class day at Upchurch and Hoke High will begin at 8:10 a.m. and recess at 2:55 p.m. Classes for the elementary schools in the county, grades one through five, will begin at 8:25 and dismiss at 2:40.

A complete daily schedule for Hoke High follows:
8:10 - 1st period bell; 8:17-9:10 - 1st period; 9:17-10:10 - 2nd period; 10:17-11:10 - Short Courses; 11:17-12:10 - 3rd period; 12:10-12:55 - Lunch; 1:01-1:55 - 4th period; 2:02-2:55 - 5th period; 2:55 - School dismissed.

The first school day for students will be Friday, Aug. 25, for pupil orientation and will not be a full day of instruction. Classes are expected to be dismissed by noon.

The first full day of instruction will begin on Monday, Aug. 28.

Bloodmobile Visits Raeford

The Bloodmobile will make a visit to Raeford on Wednesday, Aug. 23, in front of the Raeford Methodist Church from 12 noon to 5:30 p.m.

Hoke Superior Court Begins This Week; Two Men Sentenced For Adcox Murder

\$100,000 Bond For Washington

Bond was set for Junior Lee Washington at \$100,000 by Cumberland County Superior Court Judge Edward B. Clark. Washington, 21, of Rt. 1, Red Springs, is charged with the Aug. 2 rape and kidnapping of Mrs. Patricia H. Adams of Raeford. He also faces a breaking and entering charge in the case.

True bills of indictment were handed down in all cases against Washington in Grand Jury hearings in Hoke County Criminal Superior Court on Monday.

Washington had been held in the Hoke County Jail without privilege of bond since his arrest on Aug. 2.

Adult Classes Taught Here

Registration is now open for adult evening classes to be taught by Sandhills Community College instructors. All classes will be taught in Raeford and will begin in early fall.

Scheduled for Tuesday and Wednesday nights is upholstery. Courses in beginner's and advanced sewing will be taught on Thursdays. Instructors also plan to have a class in either cake decorating or decoupage, depending on where the most interest is. Also a class in Christmas decorations is being considered if enough interest is expressed.

Additional classes under consideration are principles of insurance, reading improvement and English for adults. A minimum enrollment of ten students is necessary for each class.

Most courses run for 11 weeks, with fees varying according to the kinds of supplies that are needed. Interested persons should contact the Extension Homemakers Office at 875-2162.

Power Interruption Scheduled By CP&L

There will be a scheduled interruption in power service from 6 to 8 a.m. Sunday for customers of the Lumbee River Electric Membership Corporation, Carolina Power and Light Company reports.

The power interruption is necessary so that substitution repairs can be made.

Residents in the Red Springs, Lumber Bridge, Antioch, Wagram and Bowmore areas will be affected by the power cut-off.

the first promotion of the newly formed Raeford Merchant's Association.

President of the association, Lewis Quick, of the Raeford Department Store, said the slogan was chosen because "we feel we have a lot to offer the people of Raeford if they just look for it." Quick said he feels shoppers "can find just about anything they need right here, without having to go out of town."

The slogan "Look first in Raeford" has been used extensively in the first advertising promotion of the association which began this week, and the organization also had a number of signs printed with the slogan. Quick said the signs will be placed in all of the stores in Raeford.

Quick said the association officers are very pleased with the cooperation they have received from the merchants in Raeford and the interest shown in the association. The group continues to grow at a steady rate, Quick added, and he expressed hopes that all of the merchants will take an interest in the ideas and promotional efforts of the organization.

In addition to the fall advertising campaign now underway, the organization is already looking as far ahead as Christmas. They are in the process of planning some new displays and programs for the downtown area. Quick said that although some of the traditional Christmas activities such as the parade through the downtown area will be cancelled this year, "Raeford and Hoke residents will be treated to some very nice programs."

The Raeford Merchant's Association hold their meetings on the second Tuesday of each month at 10 a.m. The next meeting will be held Sept. 12, in the Board of Directors room of the Southern National Bank.



CLOTHING SHIPMENT - James Pratt of the Hoke Social Services Department helps arrange the clothes that were recently delivered to the county by an Army reserve unit from Ft. Stewart, Ga. The clothing drive was arranged by the director of a Huntsville, Ala., movie company near a year after they visited Hoke County to make a documentary film about the Army's Domestic Action Program.

Clothing Shipment Received By Hoke

The old axiom "Out of sight, out of mind," fortunately does not always hold. A movie company from Huntsville, Ala., certainly went out of their way to disprove the statement last week when they sent a 300 pound shipment of clothing to the Social Services Department in Hoke County nearly a year after they had produced a movie here on the Army's Domestic Action Program.

The movie group, hired by the government, came into Hoke for a short period of time last year and filmed "Green Scene IV," a documentary film about the Army's Civil Affairs units that were aiding Hoke County in a number of areas.

The Domestic Action Program, sponsored by the groups from Bragg, has helped secure household furnishings, clothings, toys and even food for disadvantaged families in Hoke on many occasions.

Social services director Miss Mabel McDonald said the movie group left and was never heard from again until recently, when a call from Sheehy informed the Social Services Department that a large shipment of clothing was being brought

to Hoke by an Army Reserve unit from Ft. Stewart, Ga., who were coming to Ft. Bragg for their two-week summer encampment.

Sheehy had personally led the clothing drive in Huntsville to collect needed stock for the clothing closet, maintained by the Social Services Department. Among the items sent were men's and women's suits, women's dresses, coats of all sizes, children's clothing and a good assortment of shoes.

"The clothing," Miss McDonald said, "is very good...some of it looks practically new." She also commented that it would greatly add to the stock of furnishings maintained in the clothing closet.

The movie that was produced by the Huntsville company has never actually been viewed by anyone in Hoke, but Miss McDonald said she had word that it was sent to the Pentagon and was "very well received."

"But the important thing is," she commented, "is that Mr. Sheehy was here only a short time during which he became greatly interested in the county and the people here. Then he calls nearly a year later and tells us about all the clothing he collected for us. I think it's quite unusual."

School Board Appoints Tenure Committee

An advisory committee was formed to draft a policy statement concerning teacher tenure during the regular monthly session of the Hoke Board of Education Monday night.

The committee will submit a statement for consideration by the board concerning employment and dismissal policies of the county schools. Headed by assistant superintendent J.D. McAllister,

Airport Grant Offered by FAA

A grant offer of \$77,500 has been made the City of Raeford by the Department of Transportation of the Federal Aviation Administration for improvements to the Raeford Airport. The grant is subject to special conditions which have already been agreed upon by the city and the FAA.

Approval of the grant offer is expected to be made by the Raeford City Council and then sent back to the FAA for final approval along with the completed contracts for the airport work. City Manager John Gaddy said work is expected to begin soon after all of the agreements have final approval.

Electrical work will be handled by the Rockwell Radio Corp., and will include installing runway lights, a rotating beacon and tower and underground cables at a cost of \$28,130.

The paving work will be handled by the C.W. Matthews Contracting Co. and will include clearing of land, excavating, installing turf and paving of the runway. The bid they proposed for the work was \$91,632.50. The two bids were accepted by the City Council at a special meeting in late July.

The grant offer was signed by David Kelley, chief of the Airport District Office of the Southern Region of FAA in Atlanta.

One youth was sentenced from 15 to 25 years and another from six to ten years in Hoke County Superior Court this week for the murder of Stanly Adcox on March 8.

James Roy McGougan, 16, of Lumber Bridge, pled guilty to second degree murder and drew the 15 to 25 year sentence. The defendant appeared on a charge of first degree murder, which was later changed to second degree by the state after McGougan appeared with his attorney, Nathaniel Belcher. The state does not allow a guilty plea to first degree murder.

The defendant was given credit for time of incarceration before the trial, which was five months and one week. The court recommended that the defendant be segregated as a youthful offender and be given useful training.

Glenn Cummings, 22, of Raeford, entered a plea of guilty to accessory after the fact of murder for which he was sentenced from six to ten years. He was also given credit for time of incarceration before trial, and the court recommended he be segregated as a youthful offender. He also appeared before a court with his attorney, Phil Diehl.

Adcox, 51, of the Arabia community, had been found in the driveway of an Arabia home on March 8. He had been brutally beaten and was stabbed twice in the chest. Cause of his death was reported to be a result of multiple skull fractures.

In other cases tried in Superior Court this week, the jury found Glenn West, not guilty of two counts of assault after deliberating only about 10 minutes.

West, 31, of Raeford, had been charged with assaulting Mrs. Imogene Stocks and her seven year old son, Larry, on May 6, while on a picnic at a pond.

Testifying for the state were Mrs. Stocks and Larry Stocks. Mrs. Stocks testified that West slapped and knocked down her son and then slapped and knocked her down twice, before also beating up her husband. She said she had to help her husband to the car because he was not able to walk.

As part of the evidence presented by the state, the jury was shown photographs of Mrs. Stocks as she first appeared in court in May 26. The photographs showed her with blackened eyes and her face swollen.

Testifying for West was his girlfriend, Delores Mills, and her sister, Betty Young, who said they had also been on the picnic on May 6 when the alleged assault occurred.

Both claimed that Mrs. Stocks and her husband had been drinking and that an

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Car Overturns;

Driver Charged

One man was slightly injured last Thursday night when his car ran off the road on a curve and overturned on RP 1448 in the Antioch section of the county.

Treated for cuts and abrasions by the Hoke County Rescue Squad was Willie Locklear, 20, Stewart Street, Raeford. He had been driving alone at the time of the accident, about 10:20 p.m.

State trooper Ken Weston, who investigated the accident, said that Locklear has been charged with exceeding a safe speed and driving without a license. Damages to the car, owned by Tracy Locklear, were estimated at \$1,500.

Committee Formed To Obtain Additional County Medical Help

A steering committee was formed last week to try to obtain the services of two doctors and one dentist from the National Health Service Corps to supplement the outpatient treatment facilities in Hoke County.

The committee, headed by chairman of the Board of Health D.D. Abernethy, will draft an application to send to the Health Service Corps in Washington, D.C. The corps was formed to help provide additional medical care for needed areas of the country. Doctors who serve in the corps for a two-year period fulfill their military obligation.

The object of trying to obtain additional professional medical help in the county is not to provide low cost

medical treatment, Abernethy stated, but to supplement the care available in the county. At the present time, only one dentist and two doctors practice in the county, and all "have more than they can handle," Abernethy explained.

Doctors who serve in the corps charge fees commensurate with private practitioners, but the fees they collect are put into a trust fund by the government to support the program. The doctors, themselves, are paid a salary by the government.

The steering committee to draft the application was formed by the Health Department. Headed by Abernethy, it includes Charles Hostetler, T.B. Lester,

T.C. Jones, Ellen Willis, Nellie Flowers, Susan McKenzie and Dr. David Noonan of the Health Department, Mrs. Ann Thompson of the Wilmington Human Relations Division, Plummer Locklear of the Department of Social Services and Graham Peivier of the Region N. Council of Governments.

Abernethy said that merely applying for professional medical help from the corps does not assure that help will be provided, because of the limited availability of doctors.

The steering committee will meet again next week to plan additional steps to be taken.

Hoke principal, R.L. Gibson, board member, William Rice, assistant principal at Upchurch; W.H. Colston, Hoke High teacher and Glenda Lester, McLaughlin

Also discussed by the board was the salary for lunchroom workers. It was decided to make some adjustments in the salary and pay scales of the workers and allow annual increases in salary and pay scales of the workers and allow annual increases in salary up to fifteen years service. The policy has previously been to cut annual raises after ten years of service. Also discussed was sick leave for lunchroom workers, but no definite action was taken.

The board also agreed to approve the USDA lunch policy. Full details of the new policy will be announced next week.

Three teachers were also elected for the coming school year. They are Rosalyn McMillan, who will teach music at Upchurch; Mrs. Mary Hornaday, language arts teacher at Upchurch; and Jane Campbell, who will teach kindergarten at Scurlock.

The board members also filled out the School Board Association questionnaires concerning legislative policies.

A resolution was passed to support the efforts of the steering committee to obtain additional medical services from the National Health Service Corps.