

# Airport, School Bonds And City Leash Law All Made News In 1974

Schools were closed, but school officials found themselves the center of attention in July when dismissed Hoke High teacher Bettie L. Patterson slapped a lawsuit on the school board, charging racial discrimination.

The three juveniles accused of kidnap and attempted rape suffered a setback as the court appeals upheld a ruling which bound them over to trial as adults. As tobacco ripened in the hot summer sun, tempers grow hot as boycott threats and angry accusations flew among growers over collusion between the Department of Agriculture and cigarette companies. Congressman Rose stepped in and requested a 10% increase in tobacco allotments. The school bonds moved forward as county commissioners threw their support behind them after a meeting with the school board.

August brought gloomy news, as newly released statistics for the fiscal year confirm the effects of tight money and a worsening slump in the housing industry. Record amounts of rain fell during the month, and Hoke Countians wondered if the sun would ever appear. Sheriff's deputies brightened with a pay raise, in a move to make salaries more competitive with city police.

Schools opened, and Hoke High star Kathy McMillian returned triumphant from the Junior Olympics with a new record set.

Controversy erupted as the dress code at the high school set students and parents bickering, a proposed city leash law started squabbles, and local judge Joseph Dupree and assistant prosecutor Duncan McFayden defended themselves after a Fayetteville newspaper disclosed their travel allowances paid for commuting to Fayetteville.

A ray of sunshine appeared for the county as bids on the new office building were far below what was projected. Bill Moses, Benny McLeod, Joe Rackley and Gene Thacker were appointed members of a renewed airport committee.

September brought another resignation, as electrical inspector Jimmy Baxley quit following complaints he was unavailable. Obviously unavailable during the first week of the month was a magistrate from 5 p.m. to 1 a.m., and embarrassed officials scrambled to explain the lack of a substitute for the vacationer as complaints flew from law officers.

Plans for the local participation in the Bicentennial celebration took shape as Mr. and Mrs. Carson Davis, Jr., were named co-chairmen for the county. On Sept. 10, the community was saddened by the death of long time clerk of superior court E.E. (Ed) Smith. Democrats hurriedly convened to pick a successor and for the first time a woman, Juanita Edmund, got the nod and was assured the post, with no

Republican opposition. Talk of widening 401 to four lanes cropped up at the state level, and citizens began the wait for the official announcement with caution, as though it were too good to be true. Garbage problems drew the wrath of residents and sanitarian M.L. Mills, as reports of overflowing containers were made.

Hopes are again dashed for three juveniles as the state supreme court dismissed their appeal and trial loomed closer.

The high school football season got underway with a big victory for the

Bucks, but more news of the worsening economic outlook dampened the high spirits as a Burlington layoff rocked the community.

Welfare recipients got a boost in benefits, but prices continued to skyrocket and the pinch was felt in all income levels. The airport again made news, this time with the discovery of a young soldier found hanged, an apparent suicide.

As October unfolded, thoughts turned to the coming election and Raz Autry brought his appeal for the school bond issue to the people. The Union Fund drive began and campaign officials

crossed their fingers on a \$19,441,21 goal. The city council appointed a fifth member to the airport committee, Larry Upchurch, and weary observers hoped the dead lock would end. Disappointment came to the county with the news no funds were allotted for the 401 project, and transportation board member Rex Harris tried to soften the blow with "maybe 1976" talk.

Murder dominated the news also as citizens are shocked at the brutal killing of elderly Frank Williams, a crime which was to remain unsolved at the end of the year, and a week later, the double murder of Board of Education candidate W.T. McAllister and his wife, a crime charged to the 25-year-old boyfriend of the McAllister's daughter.

Sparked by the local issues, a better than predicted turnout of voters on a chilly Nov. 5 narrowly approved the \$1,250 million school bonds and returned all incumbents to the school board. Democrats enjoyed huge margins, beating back Republican challenges to the state house. After a year of study and delay, the city council approved a lease at the airport with aviation school operator Paul Rose, and a visit from an FAA safety inspector later in the month concluded with an urging for "cooperation and plain horse sense."

The final defeat for the three juveniles came as an application for a writ of habeas corpus taken to a federal court is denied, and over their attorney's objections, trial is postponed by Superior Court Judge Hamilton Hobgood and the trio continued to remain in custody, nearly a year after their arrest.

Hoke Countians mourned the death

of Julian Johnson, Jr., well known businessman and avid sportsman. The Bucks were clobbered by Dunn in their final game, but end the season with a respectable 6-4-0 record.

Families planned traditional Thanksgivings, but it was not to be a bountiful holiday for some as rumors of actual and impending layoffs haunted the community, and applications for food stamps and public assistance reached record highs.

In December, the full impact of the economic decline was brought to bear with the release of the latest joblessness rate, 10.7%, a jump of nearly 8% in a year. Faced with a lack of money, county and city officials prepared for the start of a new federal law limiting the hours policemen may work, and Sheriff D.M. Barrington warned of inadequate protection unless his department is doubled.

In spite of the downturns, Hoke

Countians opened their hearts and pocketbooks as Christmas approached and generous donations helped to make sure those in need had a Merry Christmas.

As the year drew to a close, decorations were festive and celebrations were in full swing, but serious thoughts intruded as families pondered the events of the past year and speculated on what the coming year would bring.

## Judge Dupree Endorses New Court Procedures

District Court Judge Joseph Dupree of Raeford endorsed the new court procedures established last week by a superior court judge in Cumberland County and said he hoped the same rules would apply in Hoke County.

Hoke and Cumberland counties both make up the 12th Judicial District.

"I wholeheartedly agree with Judge Pou Bailey, as quoted in an article in the Fayetteville Observer in which the judge sets out new regulations for the courts," Dupree said. "I would hope that the same rules would apply in Hoke as apply in Cumberland."

According to the article, Judge Bailey has ordered restrictions on continuances of cases and placed priority on jail cases.

Bailey, who is scheduled to preside over the January session of superior court here, mailed the regulations to Fayetteville court officials last week. According to the article, these recommendations were included:

-Attorneys will not be called or sent for unless they advise the court room clerk of their location and then only with the consent of the presiding judge.

-Attorneys having cases on the calendar may be excused by the

presiding judge. After the calendar is printed, only the judge may excuse attorney or witnesses of continued cases.

-No case will be continued on motion of the district attorney except of causes arising after the printed calendar is published.

-Attorneys should not accept employment unless satisfactory financial arrangements are to be concluded prior to the case being calendared for trial and the employment is established in sufficient time to allow the attorney ample time for preparation. Bailey's document is quoted.

-Cases will not be continued either because of inadequate financial arrangements or inadequate preparation time.

-Jail cases will be given absolute priority by the district attorney. No case in which a defendant is out on bond may be tried as long as anyone has been in jail 30 days or more awaiting trial unless the jail case has been continued at the request of the defense.

## Wrestling

### Chews Scotland, Fayetteville

The Bucks matmen enjoyed decisive victories in their last two meets. They trounced Scotland on January 2 with a 58-6 win, and Monday night the Hoke wrestlers defeated Terry Sanford 45-12.

Hoke vs. Scotland  
100 lb. Jeff Upchurch (H) pinned McRae (S) in 4:44  
107 lb. Mike McNeill (H) pinned Crossby (S) in 0:38  
114 lb. Steve Connell (H) pinned Jeffries (S) in 2:33  
121 lb. Maverick Carpenter (H) pinned

Russell (S) in 1:35  
128 lb. Bob Ray (H) pinned Terry (S) in 5:32  
134 lb. Ricky Singletary (H) pinned Rae (S) in 1:21  
140 lb. Bartell (S) decisioned Ronnie McRae (H) 10-5  
147 lb. Bill Wall (H) decisioned Alford (S) 11-10  
157 lb. James (S) decisioned Neal McNeill 2-0  
169 lb. Nate Singletary (H) pinned Smith (S) in 2:55  
187 lb. Leo Salzer (H) decisioned Garany (S) 17-5  
197 lb. Anthony Freeman (H) decisioned Alford (S) 7-3  
Unl. George Small (H) pinned Best 2:35

Hoke vs. Sanford  
100 lb. Jeff Upchurch (H) pinned McCormick (TS) in 1:59  
107 lb. Yopez (TS) decisioned Mike McNeill (H) 5-4  
114 lb. Clarence Patterson (H) by forfeit.  
121 lb. Maverick Carpenter (H) decisioned McDonald (TS) 7-1  
128 lb. Michael Gillespie, (H) pinned McMillan (TS) in 2:58  
134 lb. Ricky Singletary (H) decisioned Robinson (TS) 6-5  
140 lb. Ronnie McRae (H) decisioned Mackray (TS) 6-0  
147 lb. Bill Wall (H) pinned Jordan (TS) in 1:57  
157 lb. Siviske (TS) over Neal McNeill (H) 3-1  
169 lb. Nate Singletary (H) over Jackson (TS) 6-3  
187 lb. Leo Salzer (H) over Parkam (TS) 5-1  
197 lb. Inman (TS) pinned Anthony Freeman in 0:43  
Unl. George Small by forfeit.  
The Bucks will be at Pinecrest Thursday, Jan. 9.

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The annual stockholder meeting of the Raeford Savings and Loan Association will be held Tuesday, January 14, 1975 at the association's office at 10:00 A.M.

The purpose of the meeting is for the election of directors.

Proxy forms are available at the association office. They may be obtained by request, by mail or in person.

## LIST YOUR PROPERTY

The Law Requires That You Do This During The Period From

# Jan. 2 - Jan. 31, 1975

### LISTING BEGINS THURSDAY, JAN. 2, 1975 (Due To Holidays)

Notice is hereby given all persons owning Real or Personal Property that they appear before the taxlisters for their township between Jan. 2 and Jan. 31 and make return to them of all property for purposes of taxation. Failure to list will subject taxpayer to a fine of \$500.00 or imprisonment not to exceed six months. All property owned January 1, 1975 must be listed.

All Mobile Home Park and Aircraft Storage Facility Operators must furnish to the Tax Supervisor the name of the owner of each mobile home or airplane and a description of each by January 15, 1975.

**REAL ESTATE...**  
All taxable real property, including buildings and improvements and machinery permanently affixed to the Real Estate.

**HOUSEHOLD, KITCHEN FURNITURE, FARM**  
Household furniture and goods, including electrical appliances and tools of trade. All farming equipment, swine, livestock, poultry, farm supplies and farm products produced prior to 1974.

**OTHER PERSONAL PROPERTY**  
Radios, televisions, air conditioners, guns, bicycles, jewelry, diamonds, typewriters, boats and motors, golf equipment and office equipment.

**MOTOR VEHICLES...**  
All automobiles and trucks in your possession or registered in your name. Mortgages do not change the ownership or affect the listing. Also house trailers, airplanes, scooters and motorcycles.

**STOCK, FIXTURES, EQUIPMENT...**  
Merchandise, finished goods, equipment, furniture, fixtures goods in process, raw materials and samples.

**ALL OTHER TANGIBLE PROPERTY NOT SPECIFIED**  
Be Prepared to Report Your Farm Census.

Applications for the Use Valuation and Assessment of Agricultural, Horticultural or Forest Lands must be submitted to the Tax Supervisor by January 31, 1975.

**ALLENDALE - Miss Willa McLaughlin at home**  
Monday thru Friday 8 A.M. to 6 P.M.

**RAEFORD TOWNSHIP - You can list your taxes Monday thru Friday**  
8 A.M. to 5 P.M. and Saturdays 8 A.M. to 12 Noon at the Courthouse.

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**OLD POST OFFICE BUILDING** across the street from the Courthouse Monday thru Friday  
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Saturdays 8:00 A.M. to 12 Noon.

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