

Around Town

By Sam C. Morris

The weather Monday morning did an about face in approximately two hours. The temperature was in the 60's early in the morning and dropped about 20 degrees in two hours. Along with the rain that fell Monday, it was a very bad day.

Tuesday morning the temperature was around freezing or lower, but at least it was fair. This kind of weather is not helping to conserve fuel and with the price of it today, it makes for an expensive warmth.

One thing most of us can be thankful for is that we have not had the cold weather like they are having in the Midwest. Many have died because of it, and many are without heat or electricity. So, I guess we are lucky here in North Carolina after all

J. W. Turlington, principal at Raeford Elementary School, was by the office last week after the paper was off the press and commenting on the Sanitary ratings at the schools. He said that the reason for the low rating at his school was because of the condition of the building in which the lunchroom was located and not because of the food, food handlers and utensils used by the lunchroom.

Of course I told him I had thought this was the case due to the publicity given to the lunchroom at his school during the bond issue. This of course was passed and work will be underway in the near future.

So, to all parents who have children at this school, I hope this will straighten out the reason for the rating.

Monday the Congress came forth with a plan to try to stop the recession, and Monday night the President presented a plan which he will present to Congress. I don't know if either plan will work, but at least something is being done to try and aid the working man. This is more than had been done in recent years.

Of course for any plan to work, it must have full cooperation from all the people of this nation. But to keep this problem from coming up again in several years, we must also look for the cause that creates this problem. I don't think that the continuing pumping of money into the economy will ever solve the problem that brings forth these recessions.

After watching an interview with a number of people in Norway Sunday, concerning that country which has no crime problem, unemployment or problems with senior citizens, I believe that too much progress can create problems which we are unable to contend with.

Of course, most of us in business like to have problems from more business and progress, but we can go only as far as money we have or can borrow. It seems that the government thinks that money doesn't have to be paid back or that it is printed in Washington with no strings attached.

Anyway, if you don't try something, the problems will never be solved. Let's hope a solution can be found.

Area Incidents

Five Hoke High Students Charged With Marijuana

Five arrests for possession of marijuana were made last Wednesday at Hoke High after Principal Allen Edwards became suspicious and called Raeford police.

Officer Charles Campbell said Ricky and David Smith, both 17, of Harmony Heights Trailer Park, and Steve Horn, 17, of Rt. 3, Raeford, were charged with misdemeanor possession of marijuana and later released in the custody of their parents.

Two 15-year-old juveniles were also charged with possession of marijuana and are scheduled to appear at a juvenile hearing, Campbell said.

Edwards said no marijuana was smoked at the school.

More arrests are expected, it was learned Monday.

Police are also investigating a number of larcenies reported in the city. James Breeden, Raeford Hotel, complained someone entered his car between 9:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. Friday, and stole a tape player valued at \$84. The car was left unlocked, police said.

Mrs. Helen McAllister, 522 East Sixth Street, reported her home was broken into sometime Thursday or Friday and a portable television worth \$275 stolen. Entry was made by breaking the glass in a rear door and unlocking the door, according to the complaint.

Alfred Clark, 21, Fayetteville, was arrested by police after a brief chase



UNEMPLOYMENT LINE - A long line formed early Tuesday at the Employment Security Commission branch office on Dickson Street. It was a long, cold wait outdoors for many as the line slowly moved forward.

No Money

FHA Farm Loans Gone Until April

Even though apparently there will be no money available until April for farm operating loans, the Farmer's Home Administration here will continue to process loan applications.

William Clark, county FaHA supervisor, explained last week that he had received word that funds for farm operating loans had run out for the remainder of this quarter and that fourth quarter money would not be available until April.

"But I'm going to continue to fill out the applications on subsequent loans and send them in to Raleigh," he said optimistically. Subsequent loans are those made to persons already indebted to FaHA.

However, Clark said, even when the funds became available, there will only be enough money to make loans to persons who already have a long-term farm loan.

"We won't be able to make initial loans," he said.

Farmers will have to rely this year on other credit sources, such as the Production Association or banks, Clark said.

FaHA loans are made to those who can not obtain credit on terms they can afford from conventional sources.

Lately, FaHA has served more to guarantee loans made by conventional sources, in many cases, Clark said. This can be done now, even though there are no funds for lending.

Clark said, in addition, that borrowers are having to obtain 40 per cent of their loan from other sources.

The lack of farm loan funds is likely to produce some hardships, he agreed. Increased farm costs were blamed for

the money shortage. According to James T. Johnson, state director, the North Carolina quota was the same for this year as it was last year.

"But, as you know, the cost of things the farmers purchase has gone up which means they need more money and credit."

Bill Parham, deputy agriculture

commissioner, was quoted by the Associated Press as saying the FaHA needs more funds because of the increased cost of farming.

Already this year, \$29.2 million has been loaned to Tar Heel farmers.

An additional \$2.2 million will be received in April, according to Johnson.

Money for other FaHA programs, such as rural housing, is still available.

Sandwich Sellers Warned

County sanitarian M.R. Mills issued a warning this week to businesses selling wrapped sandwiches.

Health regulations must be met, he said and inspections will be made of establishments selling sandwiches.

Mills said the most frequent violations were lack of refrigeration for perishable sandwiches and not dating the sandwich wrapper.

The regulations, which apply to businesses that sell ready-made sandwiches in vending machines or at the counter, specify that all perishable sandwich fillings such as barbecue, chicken salad, ham salad or egg salad must be cooled to 50 degrees or colder unless the sandwich is sold within three hours after preparation.

Mills said storekeepers should refrigerate such sandwiches as soon as they are delivered.

Other non-perishable sandwiches can be placed on the counter as long as they are kept wrapped, he said.

All sandwiches must be dated and show the manufacturer's name and sandwiches must be removed from sale after 24 hours, Mills said.

He said undated sandwiches were found on sale recently in the county, which is a violation of the health law.

Mills Lists Causes Of Food Poisoning

County sanitarian M.R. Mills listed the most common types of food poisoning resulting from improper food handling.

Botulism, found in chicken and turkey products.

C. perfringens, found in beef products, tuna, ham, corned beef.

Salmonella, found in eggs, egg salad.

Staphylococcus, found in turkey, chicken salads, cooked pork, hamburger.

Shigella, found in potato salad and chicken salad.

More Physicians Is C Of C Goal

An effort to recruit more doctors to Raeford was tentatively begun Tuesday by the Raeford-Hoke Chamber of Commerce.

The county's only two doctors, R.G. Townsend and Riley M. Jordan, met with the Chamber's directors to discuss the need for more physicians and ways of attracting doctors to the area.

Harold Gillis, C of C manager, said that a committee from the community would be appointed soon to investigate and develop a recruiting program.

Gillis said that other towns in North Carolina have been successful in attracting medical personnel. A young physician recently left McCain Hospital to set up a practice in a small town after being guaranteed a starting annual income, he said.

"I'm not saying that this is the way we'll proceed," he said. "But some places have done this and it is one of the ways we can look into."

Gillis said the committee would probably investigate help under some federal and state programs. The county had once tried to apply for medical aid, he said, but because the physicians at McCain Hospital were included in statistics as practicing medicine in Hoke, the county was not eligible based on need. Gillis said he understood that the statistical method of counting patients per doctor had changed and that the county would now qualify. He said he was not sure just what programs were available.

Dr. Townsend advised the Chamber on ways to recruit. "I told them you can't build a building and expect to fill it with doctors," he said.

Instead, the community is the thing that will attract and hold medical personnel, he said.

"Some small towns guarantee a certain amount of income, but this really doesn't have a bearing on whether a doctor will come here or not," Dr. Townsend said. "Liking the community is what does it."

Dr. Townsend said that the biggest drawback for Raeford was the lack of family life facilities.

"They would have to drive out for recreation or for cultural activities," he said. Dr. Townsend said, unfortunately, the excellent golfing opportunities in the area were not much of a plus since he had found that few young doctors played the game. "They don't have time in medical school and during their residency," he said.

He pointed out that, in past years, several doctors have left Raeford. Gillis said that both the physicians stressed the need for more doctors. They told the C of C directors that with just the two of them in practice, county residents could not receive round the clock medical coverage.

At the meeting, the directors also heard a report from Ed Brown of Knit-Away on the natural gas situation. The firm has sufficient gas to operate until the early part of February, Brown said. The plant expects to have alternate fuel within 90 days, he said.

Gillis also reported on the legislative luncheon held last week by the Chamber, which was attended by approximately 60 persons to hear the House of Representatives members from the 21st District.

Bloodmobile Tomorrow

The Bloodmobile will make its second visit of the fiscal year here Friday stopping at Burlington from noon until 5:30 p.m.

Since many persons from the county have used blood in the last several weeks, a large collection is needed, chairman Clyde Upchurch said.

Hoke has a yearly quota of 398 pints and only 50 pints were collected at the last visit of the Bloodmobile.

Upchurch said that many people, including a large number of young

people, have asked about the requirements for giving blood.

Those under 18 years of age must have parental consent, he said, and a note from the parents will be accepted.

Physical requirements include weight of at least 110 pounds and generally good health.

The collection center will be staffed by volunteers, coordinated by Mrs. Ralph Barnhart. Professional personnel from Raeford and McCain will provide medical assistance.

Board Okays Inspections

Plans to implement heating, plumbing and air conditioning inspections in the county got a boost last week when the board of commissioners voted to begin inspections July 1.

The county will hire a fulltime inspector, who will also make electrical inspections, County Manager T.B. Lester said. Presently, only electrical inspections are required in Hoke.

The increased building inspections have been under consideration for several months by the board.

The action came at a special meeting of the commissioners last Thursday evening, at which several matters were taken up that had been postponed from the regular meeting earlier in the week.

Plans to reorganize the county

planning board were discussed but further action was delayed while an ordinance is being prepared.

F. Lawrence Stamm, planning director for the Lumber River Council of Governments, met with the board and agreed to prepare an ordinance based on one in effect in Scotland County.

Lester said the county had once had a planning board, but, as far as he knew, no ordinance had ever been passed.

A contract for two patrol cars for the sheriff's department was awarded to Raeford Auto for the low bid of \$8,392.84, including trade-in allowance.

The board also approved \$1,346.46 for the purchase of office furniture for the courthouse annex - the former board of education building.

Final Rites Wednesday For Lacy McFadyen

Masonic funeral services for Lacy Dickson McFadyen were held Wednesday at 3 p.m. at the Raeford Presbyterian Church. Rev. John Ropp and Rev. Kelly Barnhart officiated. Burial was made in Raeford Cemetery.

McFadyen, 84, died Tuesday at his home.

A member of one of the county's oldest families, he was the son of the late Emma Parker and Lauchlin McFadyen.

A retired funeral director, McFadyen was associated with McDiarmid Funeral Home and its successor, Lentz Mortuary, for over 50 years. He owned McFadyen Radiator Shop.

He was a Mason recently honored with a life membership.

Surviving are his wife, Donnie Gayne McFadyen; two sons, Lauchlin McFadyen of Raeford, and L. Dickson McFadyen, Jr., of Lillington; two sisters, Mrs. L.J. Collins of Colonial

Heights, Va., and Mrs. Grace Beasley of Bonnie Doone, N.C.



Lacy Dickson McFadyen

Welfare Costs Within Budget

Sharply rising welfare costs are expected to strain, but not break, the county budget.

Ben O. Niblock, county director of the department of social services, said this week, "With luck, I think we'll be able to stay within the amount we have budgeted."

To no one's surprise, the number of applications for aid to families with dependent children, has risen rapidly in the last three months. AFDC payments are the major category of money payments made.

Niblock said that as of Jan. 9, there were 544 persons in the county receiving AFDC payments. This was an increase over last year of 105 persons.

However, 91 of the applications were made since October of last year, with only 14 additional persons being added to the AFDC rolls during the earlier nine months of 1974.

merchandise was removed from a vending machine located at the Traveler's Station on 401 Bypass.

Hugh Gardner reported to police Monday a vending machine at Hugh's Texaco was tampered with and items listed at \$10 taken.

Also on Monday, Ellis R. Locklear complained a newspaper vending machine worth \$20 was stolen from in

front of the Raeford Hotel.

Sheriff's deputies are investigating several complaints of livestock thefts in the county.

Nellie McBryde, Rt. 1, Raeford, reported she discovered on Jan. 6 seven of her hogs were missing from their pen on her farm. The hogs were valued at \$266.

Glenn W. Grubbs, Rt. 1, Red Springs, reported nine hogs valued at \$342 were stolen from a pen containing 15. The bigger hogs were left undisturbed, according to the report.

An undetermined number of hogs were stolen sometime during the night of Jan. 8 from Raeford Livestock, Inc., Rt. 1, Red Springs, according to a complaint made by Bill McPhaul.

Schools were the target of apparently hungry thieves over the weekend.

Earl Oxendine, principal of Upchurch School, reported someone entered the building through an open window and pried off a freezer lock. Food items listed at \$187.70 were taken.

Officials at West Hoke School discovered a forced entry was made and

Open House

Open house at the new county board of education building will be Sunday from 5 - 7 p.m.

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