

Stonewall Report

By Mrs. Harold Chason

Attendance at the churches was good Sunday, Feb. 2, for the weather to be so bad.

The WMU of Ephesus Baptist Church met at the home of Mrs. Woodrow Hayes Monday night. The program was given by Mrs. Earl Tolar, Mrs. Woodrow Hayes, Mrs. T.W. Jones and Mrs. Flozella Clardy on "Power God to Man."

The council on ministry of Sandy Grove United Methodist Church will meet at the home of Mrs. Bertha Hendrix Thursday night (tonight) at 7:30 p.m.

Mrs. Cleo Haywood of Candor spent from Wednesday until Saturday of last week with Mrs. Myrtle Sappenfield and visiting other relatives in the community.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Crawley visited Mr. and Mrs. Britt Maxwell in Fayetteville, Sunday.

Mrs. William E. Kennedy of the 71st community, spent Sunday with her father, Paul Barbour.

Mrs. Clellan McKenzie, Glenda McKenzie and Ted Hough attended a gospel singing at the high school auditorium in Lumberton Sunday afternoon. The groups singing were the Singing Samaritans of Wallace, the Plainsmen of Pembroke and the LeFevres group from Atlanta, Ga.

Mrs. Minor McGougan of St. Pauls was a Sunday guest of Mrs. Allie K. Maxwell and Mrs. Flozella Clardy.

Susan and Allison Evans of Raleigh spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Jim Maxwell and family.

Mrs. Mary Adams spent from Thursday until Friday in Aberdeen visiting Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Garner.

Miss Addie McDonald spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. John Glisson.

Mr. and Mrs. William S. Halselden spent the weekend in Walterboro, S.C., visiting relatives.

Mrs. Myrtle Sappenfield, Mrs. Cleo Haywood, Mrs. Harold J. Chason and Cathy Chason visited Mrs. Nannie Ritter, Mrs. Kate Hodgins and Miss Bessie Barlow at the Ladies Confederate Home in Fayetteville and Mr. and Mrs. Charlie P. Chason at their home Friday.

W. S. Crawley entered Highsmith-Rainey Memorial Hospital Monday.

Delana Marie McNeill, young daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas McNeill, returned home Thursday after a two-day stay at Moore Memorial Hospital where she underwent surgery.

Mrs. Chester Beasley and Mrs. Barbara Daniels are taking lessons in china painting from Mrs. Margaret Irving in Fayetteville.

Mrs. Jessie Simmons and Beverly Dees of Fayetteville spent Sunday with Mrs. Chester Beasley.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Spears visited Mrs. Lula Rackley at her home in Fayetteville Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Davis visited Mrs. Annie Bell Adcox in Fayetteville Sunday.

The rainy weather and flu are the biggest news this week.

Males Age 18

Must Register

"All young men who reach age 18 during 1975 should plan on making their first contact with Selective Service," Sam C. Morris, Chairman of Hoke County Local Board No. 48, announced today.

"Even though we are not currently drafting for military service," Morris said, "registering with Selective Service is still compulsory for all young men at age 18, so each young man should make certain that he complies with the law by registering."

Chairman Morris stated that a young man has 60 days in which to register - 30 days before his 18th birthday and 30 days after. "This should provide adequate time for an 18-year-old or a near-18-year-old to register," the chairman added, "and his timely registration will prevent any problems that might otherwise result from a late registration."

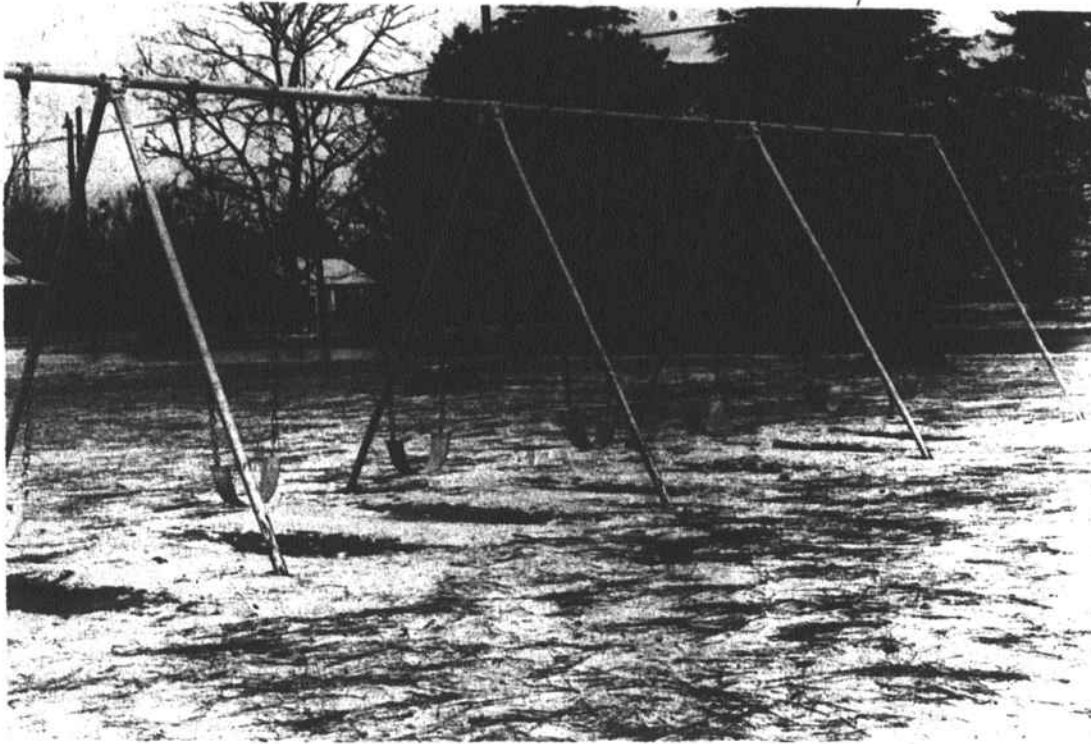
Morris stated that 18-year-old young men in Hoke County who have not yet registered may do so at the Selective Service Area Office, 111 Lamon St., Fayetteville. Students should see their principal or guidance counselor at Hoke High.

Twins Meeting

"The Behavioral Approach With Children" will be the topic of the regular February meeting of the Mothers of Twins Club Wednesday, (Feb. 5).

Wayne L. Wampler, psychologist with the Developmental Evaluation Clinic, will be the featured speaker at the meeting which begins at 7:45 p.m. in the community room of First Citizens Bank on Green St., Fayetteville. A question and answer session will follow.

All mothers of multiples (triplets and more) are urged to attend Mothers of Twins Club Meetings. Relatives and friends are welcome at all programs. Regularly scheduled meetings are held on the first Wednesday of each month.



POWDER -- A thin layer of snow powdered the ground Tuesday before rain washed it away later in the day.

Juries Hear 3 Cases As Superior Court Ends

A Hoke County jury last week found Reggie Jacobs not guilty of armed robbery.

After brief deliberations, the jury returned the verdict freeing the Red Springs resident following a trial in superior court. A breaking and entering charge was not pressed by the state.

It was one of three jury trials held during the week-long session presided over by Judge James Pou Bailey. A jury also acquitted Harry Scurlock, who was accused of forgery. However, another jury found Ernest Wade Fields, Jr., of Sanford, guilty of driving under the influence and driving while his license was revoked.

Fields was sentenced to 90 days in jail, but Judge Bailey delayed the date he is to report to the sheriff until Feb. 10 because of a civil case pending against Fields in Lee County.

Mack Leo Dockery pleaded guilty to careless and reckless driving and resisting arrest. He was sentenced to six months suspended and placed on probation for five years on the condition that he pay a \$50 fine and not drive during the probation period with the odor of alcohol on his breath.

John Locklear pleaded guilty to felonious breaking and entering and was sentenced to not less than three nor more than five years. The court recommended schooling or work release.

Corbett Erwin Bryd pleaded guilty to speeding 78 in a 55 mph zone and was fined \$25 and costs.

A motion to quash a warrant charging Nelson Tyler with threatening to kill was allowed by Judge Bailey.

A DUI and speeding conviction of Curtis Baldwin was remanded back to district court and Baldwin was ordered to comply with the terms imposed in district court.

Rayburd Dale Smith pleaded guilty to driving on the wrong side of the highway and was charged with court costs. The state took a nol pro on a charge of DUI.

Wayne Edward Byrd pleaded guilty to breaking and entering a coin operated machine. He was sentenced to six months suspended for three years and was placed on probation for three years.

John G. Barefoot pleaded guilty of carrying a concealed weapon, breaking and entering a coin operated machine and having no financial responsibility. He was sentenced to six months suspended for three years and was placed on three years probation.

Larry E. Smith pleaded guilty to speeding 75 in a 60 mph zone and was sentenced to 30 days in jail suspended for 18 months. He was ordered to

complete a safe drivers course within 90 days and was fined \$25 and costs.

Benjamin Gerard Ray, 20, pleaded guilty to three counts of misdemeanor breaking and entering and was sentenced to six months suspended for five years with these conditions: use or possess no alcohol; not be present at the "Village" or any other place where alcohol is sold or consumed; stay at present home unless probation officer permits you to move; probation department is requested to explore sheltered workshop in Laurinburg; remain under guidance of vocational rehabilitation department as long as probation officer thinks useful; follow all usual terms and conditions of probation; pay court costs.

Larry E. Smith, 31, pleaded guilty to speeding 75 in a 60 zone, and was sentenced to 30 days suspended 18 months on condition that within 90 days complete a safe drivers course conducted by N.C. Department of Motor Vehicles; pay \$25 fine, costs.

Prayer for judgment was continued indefinitely for Lucille McLaughlin who pleaded nolo contendere to non-support. She had been ordered by the district court judgment to pay \$10 a week support to the child's grandmother, with whom the child lives.

Charles Locklear, 22, accused of probation violation, was sentenced to 90 days; credit was given for seven days in jail waiting trial. He was on probation for careless and reckless driving.

Davis Goins, 48, appealing a conviction of DUI third offense, pleaded guilty and was sentenced to 12 months, sentence to run concurrently with sentence now being served.

Sonny Bease, 29, charged and pleaded guilty to assault with a deadly weapon with intent to kill, was sentenced to five years suspended and placed on probation with these conditions: pay hospital and doctor's bills to Cape Fear Valley Hospital; not possess a weapon while on probation; be on good behavior and pay restitution and costs under supervision of probation officer.

Bobby Gene Locklear, 23, pleaded guilty to worthless check and was sentenced to 30 days in jail.

Plate Sale

A chicken plate sale and turkey shoot will be held Saturday by the West Hoke Fire Department.

The plate sale will begin at 4 p.m. and the turkey shoot will start at 8 p.m. at the fire station.

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Investigation Ends In Fire

The investigation of a trailer fire in which a Bowmore man died Jan. 25 has ended with firemen still puzzled about the cause of the blaze.

"I've walked around that trailer and sniffed dirt and tasted dirt but I can't find anything," North Raeford Fire Department chief George Baker said.

Samuel Gates, 34, was found on the bedroom floor by North Raeford firemen who answered an alarm turned in at 2:30 a.m. on the 25th by a neighbor, Hattie Morris.

"This is the wierdest thing I've run into in a long time," he said.

Baker said several aspects of the case were unusual: —Gates, who lived alone, was dressed in street clothing although it was early morning.

—The trailer was burned more thoroughly on both ends, possibly indicating that the fire started in both ends.

—There was no heat or electricity in

the trailer from which a fire could start. —Gates had had another trailer destroyed earlier when a power line connected to a nearby pole was blown down during a windstorm. He was not injured in that fire.

According to a telephone report of the autopsy, Gates died of smoke inhalation, Sheriff D.M. Barrington said. Baker said that an opening found in Gates neck that had appeared to have been a wound was caused instead by the intense heat of the fire, according to the autopsy.

Funeral services for Gates, were held Jan. 29 at Nazareth Baptist Church in Wagram by the Rev. S.E. Fairley. Burial was in Island Grove Cemetery.

Gates is survived by his wife, Mrs. Blanche Purcell Gates; his mother, Mrs. Odessa Gates; three sisters, Mrs. Lizzie Marian, Mrs. Eva Harrigan and Miss Jacqueline Gates; three brothers, Everett Gates, Hubert Gates and Clarence Gates.

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