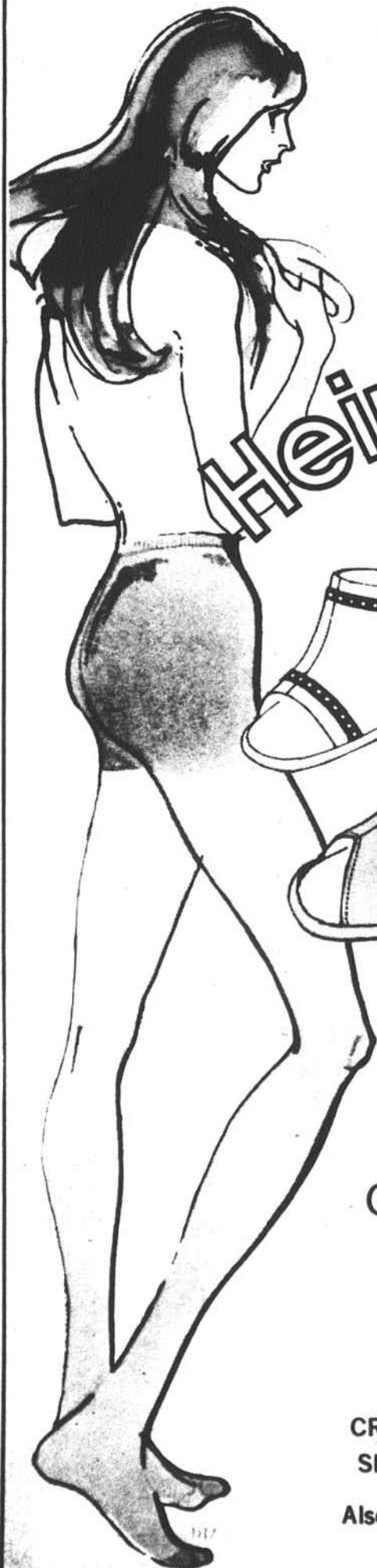




LOOKING HEAD ON... it's big. The new pumper, with a diesel engine is an impressive addition to the city fire department.

Rural Fires 875-4242

Belk



All Purpose Panty-Hose

88¢ pair, usually 1.25

Favorite of so many women because they fit so well, wear so long, look so smooth and sheer. Height proportioned sizes in your choice of High Noon, Coffeetime, Daybreak, Dusk plus white, navy, charcoal.

CONTROL TOP PANTY-HOSE

1.38 pair, usually 1.79

Lycra spandex knit control top shapes as it flattens, as it controls. Nude heel, demi-toe with runcheck. Dusk, Daybreak, High Noon, Charcoal, Coffeetime.

Heiress Sale

'Heiress' Sling-Backs, Open Toes Spring Shoes

14.88 usually '18 and '19

Fashion's theme for Spring—sling-backs, open toes, interesting heels and the total effect is light and airy. Perfect complement to all those new additions to your wardrobe. See fresh navy, white, black patent, even those zingy flower colors. Sizes 5 to 10.

CROSS CREEK MALL AND TALLYWOOD SHOPPING CENTER IN FAYETTEVILLE

Also: Aberdeen, Laurinburg, Red Springs And Whiteville

Scotch Heroine Remembered For Bravery

Flora Macdonald -- the name rolls off Scottish tongues all the way from Fayetteville across the Atlantic to Scotland itself. Flora Macdonald, romantic and brave heroine dear to Scottish hearts everywhere, died 185 years ago this week, on March 5, 1790.

Flora Macdonald was born in 1722 at Milton, an island in the Hebrides. The admiration for her stems largely from an act of heroism in 1747, when she risked her life to save Prince Charles Edward, young pretender of the House of Stuart, from falling into the hands of his enemies. However, she was equally as heroic and unselfish during her later years in America.

Just 24 years of age at the time of the Battle of Culloden (1746) at which Jacobite forces were decisively beaten, Flora was asked to try to get Prince Charles off the island and to safety. On the pretense of visiting her mother on another island, she disguised the prince as lady-in-waiting "Betty Burke," and with a crew of six men set sail, enduring a violent storm in an open boat. Despite armed militia threatening as they approached, the travelers finally landed near a cove on the island of Skye.

The prince escaped safely. However, Flora was immediately suspected and subsequently questioned on the disappearance of the prince, but later released when her answers satisfied the military inquisitors.

For her part in the escape, Flora was imprisoned a year - briefly in the Tower of London, and then in the custody of friends.

Some years later, on Nov. 6, 1750, Flora married Allen Macdonald of Kingsburgh. The couple lived at Flodigarry on Skye until the death of Allen's father, then moved to the family estate, where they lived until leaving for America in August, 1774.

Great numbers of Scots had emigrated to North Carolina, driven from their homes following the 1746 Battle of Culloden, and the migration continued through the years until stopped by the Revolution.

It was said that the Allen Macdonalds were "anxiously expected and joyfully received all over North Carolina," but chose to settle at Cross Creek (now Fayetteville) the capital of the Highland settlement. There Flora expected to spend the rest of her days in peace, prosperity and happiness at their plantation home, Killigrey.

But unfortunately, the Macdonalds arrived in America just as the seeds of independence were beginning to sprout. The Highlanders did not accept the Americans' position. Also, after Culloden, they were forced to take oaths of allegiance to the king, which they still considered binding. At the same time, they had been obliged to sign loyalty oaths to Royal Gov. Josiah Martin. So it seemed to them that they had no choice but to rally to the side of the Tories.

Gov. Martin expected great strength from the Highlanders, and hoped they would come forth in great numbers to support a vigorous campaign to invade North Carolina with a fleet of British ships. On that assumption Martin advised the British and called "all the king's subjects" to march to Brunswick by Feb. 15 (1776).

Martin enlisted the aid of Allen Macdonald in the raising of a battalion of "good and faithful Highlanders," appointing Allen brigadier.

Flora Macdonald was stirred to

action. She attended nightly gatherings and addressed men in their native Gaelic, urging them to enter the king's army. During the day, she went from house to house, using her persuasive powers to enlist support for the Tory cause. And on the public square she threw her considerable influence into the fray, urging the men to "their duty." Highlanders faced a dilemma.

In the end those who joined Allen were mainly the numerous Macdonalds and MacLeods.

During this time Flora, of course, was constantly watched by the patriots. When the armed Highlanders began to assemble and move toward Wilmington in early February, messages were sent to other county militia all over eastern North Carolina.

Flora, still spurring on her people, reviewed the troops from a white horse as they filed out of Cross Creek toward the coast.

However, the campaign was ill-timed and ill-fated. The men marched on, not knowing that the fleet they expected to meet around the middle of February hadn't yet left Ireland, and would not arrive until early May.

The Highlanders met the Americans in a showdown at the Widow Moore's Creek Bridge, in present-day Pender County - the first battle of the Revolution on North Carolina soil. The Americans had removed planks from the narrow wooden bridge which the Highlanders had to cross, and greased the supports underneath; then sat waiting for the Scots' attack at dawn.

The first Highlanders over the bridge were either tumbled into the swirling creek or mowed down by the American artillery. When their leader Donald MacLeod fell, the Highlanders scattered. The American victory was decisive and the power of the Highlanders was broken.

The toll included 70 killed and wounded among the Scots, and for the Patriots, one killed, one wounded. The Americans took 850 prisoners, plus valuable supplies, horses and armament.

The victory had a tremendous effect on Americans, who behaved with leniency toward the prisoners. Allen Macdonald and his son were jailed first at Halifax, then, in April were transferred to Philadelphia, and then to Reading, Pa. Allen was paroled and went to Halifax, Nova Scotia, where he took command of a regiment there until the end of the war.

Flora remained at Killigrey until her plantation was ravaged and pillaged by deserters. She sought refuge with her friends, but was always regarded with suspicion by Americans. And anyone who was seen in her company was assumed disloyal to America.

Though at first hoping to remain in America, Flora finally took the advice Allen had written from prison: return to Skye. She sold her silverware and with the money was able to arrange passage from Cross Creek to Wilmington through a friendly American officer. From there she took a ship to Charleston, and sailed on a British vessel toward Scotland.

Even during the voyage home, the spirited Flora was still cheering troops on to victory for the king. During an encounter with a French war vessel, Flora refused to go below, but remained on deck shouting encouragement, until she was thrown down violently, the fall breaking her arm.

Upon arrival in Scotland, she lived with her brother until Allen returned in

1783 when the two took up residence in Kingsburgh again. She remained there until her death March 5, 1790.

A monument erected to her memory was demolished by souvenir hunters, but a permanent cross was later placed at her gravesite.

Legals

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE

State of North Carolina
County of Robeson
In the General Court of Justice
Superior Court Division

Having qualified as Administrator CTA of the estate of Geneva Mae Davis, late of Robeson County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against said estate to present them to the undersigned within six (6) months from the date of the publication of this notice, or same will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate please make immediate payment to the undersigned.

This the 14th day of Feb., 1975.

Hector Eugene Davis
Administrator CTA of
the estate of
Geneva Mae Davis, deceased
Attorney
1033 Bragg Boulevard
Fayetteville, N.C. 28301

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NOTICE OF SALE NORTH CAROLINA HOKE COUNTY

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain Deed of Trust executed by Harold Martin Russell, unmarried, dated the 31st day of October, 1973, to Charles A. Hostetler, Trustee, and recorded in Book 176, Page 531 in the Office of the Register of Deeds of Hoke County, North Carolina, default having been made in payment of the indebtedness thereby secured, and said Deed of Trust being by the terms thereof subject to foreclosure, the undersigned Trustee will offer for sale at public auction to the highest bidder for cash at the courthouse door in Raeford, North Carolina, at Noon on the 1st day of April, 1975, property conveyed in said Deed of Trust, the same lying and being in the County of Hoke, State of North Carolina, Qu'whiffle Township, and described as follows:

Lying and being about 11.2 miles northwest of the Town of Raeford, about 1.2 miles southwest of the village of Ashley Heights, about 0.27 miles west of Secondary Road No. 1226, and on the southwest side of and adjoining a newly constructed 60 foot road. Bounded on the northeast by the aforementioned road, on the east by other lands of Ellis Smith, Jr., and wife, on the southwest by Nora L. Almond, and on the northwest by other lands now, or formerly, owned by Ellis Smith, Jr. and wife, and being more particularly described as follows:

BEGINNING at an original iron pipe in the southern line of the 49 acre tract of which this is a part, said iron pipe being located N 84-10 W 24.79 feet from Nora L. Almond's corner in said line, and also being located S 84-10 E 1365.00 feet from the southwest corner of said original 49 acre tract, and runs thence N 84-10 W 300 feet to an iron pipe, two oak and pine pointers; thence N 5-28 E 209.80 feet to an iron pipe in the southern edge of the 60 foot road; thence as and with the edge of it, S 84-27 E 250 feet to an iron in the edge of the road; thence S 7-50 1/2 minutes East 217.20 feet to the point of BEGINNING, and containing 1.32 acres.

The above description is taken from a plat prepared by George T. Paris, Registered Surveyor, for Ellis Smith, Jr. and wife, Lillian Ussery Smith.

CASH DEPOSIT: Ten percent (10%) on the first \$1,000.00 bid and five percent (5%) on any additional amount bid will be required at the sale.

Posted this the 28th day of February, 1975.

Charles A. Hostetler, Trustee
Hostetler & McNeill
Attorneys at Law
Raeford, N.C.

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ADMINISTRATOR'S EXECUTOR'S NOTICE

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
HOKE COUNTY

IN THE GENERAL COURT OF JUSTICE
SUPERIOR COURT DIVISION

Having qualified as Executrix of the estate of Bennie C. Powell of Hoke County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said Bennie C. Powell to present them to the undersigned within 6 months from date of the publication of this notice or same will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate please make immediate payment.

This the 17th day of February, 1975.

Mary R. Powell
Box 6, McCain, N.C.
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Guidance Head At Convention

Bobby Locklear, head guidance counselor at Hoke High, returned from attending the 48th Annual Personnel And Guidance Association convention Feb. 27 - March 1 in Raleigh.

The convention capped a statewide observance of Guidance and Counseling Week proclaimed by Gov. Holshouser. Speaking to the delegates were State

School Superintendent Craig Phillips, Laurinburg Schools Superintendent Dr. Kenneth Newbold, Dr. William Purkey of the University of Florida, and Dr. Joseph McDonough, assistant executive director of the association.

NCPGA has a membership of some 1,200 counseling professionals throughout the state.



"Look at the birds of the air: they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them." (Matthew 6:26)

We used to be amused by an acquaintance of our family, yet sorry for her. After her husband's death, although she had been well provided for, her anxiety had brought her to an eccentric state of mind. She denied herself many comforts she could have afforded, and her penny-pinching habits were often ridiculous.

"If I knew how long I would live,"

she often told our mother, "I'd know how much I could spend." This woman had been provided with worldly goods, but had not cultivated much faith.

In the depression years, when our mother was left to provide for us, a family of seven children, her faith brought us through. "The Lord will provide," she told us. She often reminded us of our debt to gratitude to God that she was enabled to provide for and educate us.

God holds in His hands the number of our days. How wonderful that He also knows our needs, and our supply is in His hands!

PRAYER: Dear, loving Father, who created the tree ripe with fruit and field with grain, I come with open hands and loving trust in Thy goodness. In Jesus' name I offer grateful thanks. Amen.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY: The God who cares about sparrows will surely care for you and me.

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-Evelyn S. Cason, Elwood, Kansas

Fire Causes

Slight Damage

A fire in an oil furnace was quickly extinguished by city firemen Saturday morning at the home of John P. Smith of 513 West Sixth Ave.

Damage, which was confined to the heater and hall closet in which it was enclosed, was estimated at \$200 by Raeford chief Crawford Thomas Jr.