

Area Incidents

Masked Men Rob Grocer

Three men wearing stockings over their faces robbed a Hoke County storekeeper last week.
Joe Palmer told deputies that the men, one carrying a sawed-off shotgun, came in the Palmer's gas and grocery store about 11 p.m. on April 8. They threw him down behind the counter and told him not to look at them, Palmer said.
The men took his wallet with \$50 and other personal possessions from his pockets and got about \$60 from the cash register.
Dogs from the McCain prison unit were brought to track the three men through a housing development called Wrightsboro to where they apparently had left a vehicle.
Items such as the stockings and the stock of the weapon were found on the road.
Several suspects are being sought, according to the report.
Two tires and wheels were reported stolen April 8 from the Rt. 1, Aberdeen,

yard of Virginia Baxley. They were valued at \$150.
Hamburger meat left out of the freezer at Upchurch School cafeteria was stolen early Friday morning. According to the report, the burglar alarm didn't ring because it was attached to the freezer which wasn't disturbed. The theft apparently took place after the night watchman went off duty, according to the report.
Five baby pigs and a hog were reported stolen April 12 from a pen in the Queenmore section. Leroy McDuffie reported the theft about 9 a.m. and again at 7:30 p.m. when deputies failed to come to investigate, according to the report.
Hoke deputies are investigating a break-in at the library at Sandhills Youth Center. The glass on the door was broken and the building entered Saturday sometime between 10:11:35 p.m. A desk was reported damaged.
No incidents were reported in the city last week.

Stonewall Report

By Mrs. Harold Chason

The youth group of Sandy Grove and Parkers United Methodist Churches attended the subdistrict rally at St. Andrews UMC Sunday afternoon.
Revival services at the Parker Church will be held on Monday through Friday nights, April 21-25 at 7:30 p.m. The Reverend Berry Barbour will be the speaker.
The men's group at Sandy Grove United Methodist Church has scheduled a work day for next Saturday beginning at 9:30. Come prepared to paint, pretty and clean the grounds. Ladies are invited to help.
The UMW of Sandy Grove United Methodist Church met at the Hut Tuesday night, April 8, with Mrs. C.M. Boyles and Mrs. John Glisson hostesses. Mrs. Nan Hayward gave the program.
Lester Sessoms, Jr., lay pastor, held a morning worship service in the open for the National Guard at Fort Bragg, Sunday morning, April 13.
Mr. and Mrs. Bill Crawley, Mrs. Stanley Crawley and Mrs. Dora Chason were Sunday night guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harold J. Chason.
Mrs. O.B. Maxwell, Sr., spent last week in Raleigh visiting relatives. Mrs. H.S. Butler and Mrs. Ben Ingram of Parkton were Sunday guests of Mrs. Maxwell.
Mrs. Ella Traywick returned to Durham Sunday after a two-week visit with Mrs. Gladys Bostic.
Mr. and Mrs. Percy Bernard of Augusta, Ga., visited with their aunt, Mrs. Stanley Crawley, Saturday.
Mrs. Myra Hagins and children, William and Louie of Parkton, spent Monday with Mrs. Richard McMillian.
Mrs. Woodrow Hayes is attending a cushion cover workshop at the old county office building kitchen.
Sally Lynn Maxwell spent the weekend with Amy Nell Jackson in Lumber Bridge.
Mr. and Mrs. Jim Maxwell, Mary Monroe Maxwell and Mrs. John Covington spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Jon Evans and daughter in Raleigh.
Mr. and Mrs. E.L. Ellis and son, Lynn, and Mr. and Mrs. David Jackson spent the weekend at Carolina Beach.
Mrs. Bertha Hendrix returned home Friday after a five-day stay at the 4-H Foundation Center in Washington, where she attended the citizenship seminar. The trip was sponsored by the North Carolina Citizenship Committee. The theme of the week was "Know America, its Country, its Judiciary and its Congress."
Mr. and Mrs. James Sherrill and Hector McFayden of Rockingham were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harold J. Chason.
Mr. and Mrs. Minor McGougan of St. Pauls were Sunday dinner guests of Mrs. Allie K. Maxwell and Mrs. Flozelia Clardy.
Mrs. Myrtle Sappenfield, Miss Marjorie Chason, Mrs. Mary Ann Goodman, Mrs. Dora Chason and Mrs. Nora Jackson visited Mrs. Kate Hodgins, Mrs. Nannie Ritter and Miss Bessie Barlow at the Confederate Daughters Home in Fayetteville, and Mr. and Mrs. Charlie P. Chason at their home in Skibo Sunday afternoon.
Mrs. Ailene Jackson and sons and Mrs. Grace Gause and son of McColl were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harold A. Chason and daughters.
Mrs. Annie Bell Adcox is a patient at Moore Memorial Hospital.
Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Jones of Charlotte spent the weekend with Mrs. J.A. Jones and visited their father at the Veteran's Hospital in Fayetteville.
Mr. and Mrs. Richard McMillian and daughters, Kim and Kris, and Grover McMillian spent the weekend at Carolina Beach.
Charles Livingstone, son of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Livingstone, entered Cape Fear Valley Hospital, Monday, for surgery.
Miss Ailene Shaw of Rex and Clyde Carter of Parkton were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. L.M. Chason and Tom.
Birthday
Melissa Jackson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Jackson, celebrated her fourth birthday with a party with her family, April 10.
Mrs. Leslie Irion, Jr., entertained with a party for the fifth birthday of her daughter, Wendy, Sunday afternoon. Birthday cake, potato chips and punch were served. Those attending were Noel, Missy and Bobby Jones, Amy and Jeffery Black, Sammie Hendrix, Andrea Jackson, Cathi, Susan and Eddie Miller, John Irion.
Mr. and Mrs. W.W. Walker visited Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Alphin in Fayetteville Sunday afternoon.



MAYPOLE - A fourth grader at South Hoke dances the Maypole during Bicentennial week there.

South Hoke Is Celebrating

Students at South Hoke School are celebrating the Bicentennial with a week of activities ranging from the Maypole dance to field days.
Hoke County Bicentennial chairman Mrs. Iris Davis outlined the county's plans to celebrate the national birthday and gave ideas on how the youngsters could help.
She urged them to talk to their grandparents and great-grandparents about their childhood and to write down the stories to collect in the heritage room that is planned for the library.
Mrs. Davis also suggested that each person could try to make the county cleaner by picking up litter.
"But most of all," she told the students, "I want you to be a part of something great. Get caught up in the spirit of '76."
Fourth graders entertained Tuesday

with a Maypole dance and demonstrated square dance skills.
Wednesday, Thursday and Friday are set aside for field days for the fourth, fifth and sixth graders in turn. Activities include relays, sack races and a greased pig contest. A sock hop in the gym for each grade will conclude the day.

Many students and teachers came to school Tuesday dressed in colonial costumes. Best-dressed youngsters were chosen from each classroom and judges later picked the best-dressed couple for the school. Chosen were: Teresa Capps, sixth grader, and Eric McGee, a fifth grader.

ESAA Committee Named

In order to continue participation in the Emergency School Aid Act (ESAA) program, the Hoke county school system has established a 15-member District-Wide Parent-Student Advisory Committee, Assistant Superintendent John D. McAllister announced.

Jimmy Morrissey, Mrs. Bonnie Niven, Ivory McNair, Roman Jacobs and Mrs. Maggie Hunt.
Teachers on the committee are Mrs. Dorothy Farrow, Mrs. Betty Rogers and James Baxley.
Student members are Donna Poe, Wanda Locklear, Ronald Black, Martha Ann Wood, Debbie Hammonds and Jerlyn Bratcher.
Committee members will assist the administrative staff in preparation of the 1975-76 program proposal to be submitted May 16 to the regional HEW office, McAllister said.

\$240,261 in funds were channeled to the county through the ESAA for the current school year for programs in reading, guidance counseling and social services.

Members of the District-Wide committee are Mrs. Richard Neely,

Hoke Highlights

by Terri Tucker

The S.A.E. held a meeting at 6:00 Wednesday night April 9. They discussed the project they will be involved with April 17 and 18. The members will be doing their student teaching in the Hoke County area. Students are assigned a teacher in the school they they have chosen.
The S.A.E. members observe and

participate in helping the teacher while they are there. Each student teacher is to report on what they observed and how they individually took part.
A Library Club meeting was held on April 9, 1975, in the Hoke County High School Library. The Library Club members are planning a trip to Carowinds on May 3, 1975.

Consumers Meet
The North Carolina Consumers Council will meet May 2-3 at UNC in Charlotte. Principal speakers will be attorney general Rufus Edmisten and Elizabeth Hanford, deputy director of the office of consumer affairs before she was appointed to the Federal Trade Commission.
A panel discussion on electric rates and a session on organization of local consumer groups will be held. For further information on the council, or on forming a local consumer group, contact Ben Niblock, 719 Green Street.

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Dance Band In Concert
The Hoke High dance band will give a concert Monday night at 8 at the high school gym.
The newly organized group of 18 students has played for several schools in the county.
The concert will be informal and no admission will be charged.

Woodmen Elect Cox
The thirty-first state convention of the Woodmen of the World was held in Wilmington, April 6-8.
Robert M. Cox, Jr., was elected Chairman, state fraternal committee.
Attending from Raeford were Bobby Currie, Mr. and Mrs. Carson Davis, Sr., William Lowe, Mrs. Ruby Conoly and Mrs. Nannie Ashburn.

Jurors List Delayed
A prepared list of the persons chosen for jury duty for the April 28 week of Hoke County Superior Court had not been completed Tuesday at the court clerk's office.
The summonses will probably not be issued before Monday as the jurors may not be needed. Instructions from Judge Hamilton H. Hobgood are expected Monday.
A jury list of forty-seven names selected for duty on May 5 was released by the clerk's office.

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