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NEW MEDIA CENTER - The new media center is going up at Scurlock Elementary School. Additional classrooms are also being constructed.

Area Incidents

Tobacco Thefts Mount

Sheriff's deputies are seeking suspects in the theft of \$5,000 worth of tobacco taken from the Dundarrach Trading Co. last Wednesday sometime between 1 - 6 A.M.

Entry was apparently made by breaking in a back door, according to the report. The theft was the third involving tobacco reported this month.

In other incidents, deputies investigated two break-ins reported at the West Hoke school over the weekend.

Willie Lowery complained the school was entered Saturday night. It was not determined immediately if anything was taken. Lowery also reported a break-in sometime Sunday with about \$4 worth of food taken. Damage to a window was put at \$25.

Deputies E. Dial and J. Riley apprehended a suspect in the theft of

a \$685 lawnmower reported stolen from J.S. Johnson at the Oakdale Gin last Wednesday night.

Terry W. Caulder, 21, was charged with larceny and placed under \$500 bond pending a Sept. 19 court appearance.

James E. Leach, Rt. 2, Raeford complained his automobile was broken into last Sunday in the Queenmore section. Listed as stolen are a wheel, tire, battery, radiator, and other items valued at \$177.

Flora Holmes, Rt. 3, Raeford, complained shots were fired at her home about 12:30 A.M. Sunday. Two bullets struck the front door, believed to have come from a .32 caliber pistol, according to the report.

The N.C. Forest Service complained a 12-volt battery was stolen from a vehicle parked near the Oakdale Gin last Wednesday night.

Magistrates Court

The following cases were heard by the magistrates:

Daisy M. Alford, P.O. Box 672, Raeford, inspection violation, fined costs; Retha M. Armstrong, Smithfield, speeding 65 in a 55 mph zone, \$5, costs; Elva S. Barnes, Laurinburg, inspection violation, fined costs; Delmer E. Bordeaux, Hope Mills, public drunkenness, \$10, costs; Edgar Bryant, Rt. 2, Raeford, inspection violation, fined costs; Eugene Campbell, E. Edinborough Ave., Raeford, public drunkenness, \$10 jail fee, costs; Willie Jasper Carthen, Jr., Red Springs, no registration fined costs; Lewis E. Dockery, P.O. Box 353, Raeford, 50 in a 35 mph zone, \$10, costs; Freddie Foster, Maxwell St., Raeford, worthless check, \$31 restitution, costs; Lomax Gillespie,

Pinebluff, inspection violation, fined costs; Henry L. Graham, Rt. 1 Shannon, driving left of center.

Hilma W. Hanna, Springfield, La., 68 in a 55 mph zone, \$10, costs; Earnest N. Hornes, Rt. 1, Raeford, public drunkenness, \$10, costs; Earl Huffman, Jr., 67 in a 55 mph zone, \$10, costs; Roger Locklear, Maxton, no driver's license, \$25, costs; Jimmy Lowery, Lynchburg, S.C., transporting alcoholic beverage with seal broken, \$10, costs; Wesley G. Miller, Rt. 3, Raeford, stop sign violation, fined costs; Linda K. McLaughlin, P.O. Box 332, Raeford, stopping violation, fined costs; James Lee McNatt, Rt. 1, Raeford, driving without a license, \$25, costs; Joe L.

Deaths And Funerals

Correll D. Kiger

Correll D. Kiger, 72, of Raeford, died Monday.

Funeral services are scheduled at 2 P.M. Thursday, Sept. 18, with Cox Funeral Home, Pilot Mt., in charge. Burial will be in Mt. Zion Methodist Church in Pinnacle.

Surviving are his wife, Elsie L. Kiger; one daughter, Dorothy E. Moore of Fayetteville; two sons, Henry Kiger of Raeford and Robert Kiger of Annandale, Va.; two sisters, Mrs. Stella Legans and Mrs. Alma Coon of Winston-Salem; four grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.



Dewey H. Poythress

Funeral services for Dewey Hobson Poythress of High Point were held Tuesday at 2 P.M. in Sechrist Chapel with Rev. James M. Capps and Rev. Charles E. Morton. Burial was in Ebenezer Cemetery.

Poythress, 72, died Sunday in High Point Memorial Hospital. He had been in declining health for six years and critically ill one day.

Poythress was born in Orange County, a son of Simeon E. and Ola Canady Poythress. He married Auta Holland in 1938.

A member of the First Presbyterian Church in Raeford, he worked for C.L. Thomas and was employed for many years by Hoke Cotton Warehouse. A resident of High Point for ten years, he worked for the Pinkerton Company until his retirement in 1970.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Auta H. Poythress of the home, two daughters, Mrs. H.E. (Betty) Gorum of Eden, Mrs. Thomas A. (Kay) Perdue of High Point; four grandchildren; one sister, Mrs. Bill (Thelma) Stanley of Greensboro; and one brother, Whitney F. Poythress of Chapel Hill.

Athaleah W. Griffin

Funeral services for Mrs. Athaleah Wood Griffin of Raeford were held last Friday at 2 P.M. at White Level Holiness Church in Louisburg. Rev. Marvin Dorsey of Nashville and Rev. R.H. Murray of Rocky Mount officiated.

Mrs. Griffin, 64, died Sept. 10.

Surviving are her husband, H.C. Griffin; one son, Kermit B. Griffin of Raeford; three daughters, LaVerne Radford of Franklinton, Rosalie Tant of Raleigh, and Diane Odom of Aberdeen; two sister, Ruby Wood and Mrs. Thurston Dorsey, both of Castalia; one brother, B.T. Wood of Zebulon; 12 grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers were William E. Champion, Boyce Upchurch, Clinton House, Harold Kearney, Ronda Leonard, and George Leonard.



Charles L. Sewell

New Deputy

Former Scotland County deputy Charles L. Sewell has joined the Hoke County sheriff's department as deputy.

Sewell, 35, is a veteran of ten years police experience. He spent five years as a Laurinburg police officer.

The Hoke County sheriff's department is still seeking one more deputy to bring it up to full strength.

Letter To The Editor

Editor's Note: The following letter was received too late for inclusion on the editorial page. It is published here because of its interest to the community.

To The Editor:
I am writing to express concern over the possible loss of trees on the Hoke County Library site. It appears that twelve trees are either within the marked boundary of the building or very near to the string now up. Is it true that the flat-roof design may necessitate cutting all of the trees? I have no authority for questioning the selection of the site or the design, but the organization which I lead has much concern for

the beauty of our community and its history has been based on caring for Raeford's natural assets.

With concern,
Betty Morgan, Chairman
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Tractor Overturns

Traffic on N.C. 211 near McCain was blocked for more than an hour Friday afternoon after a tractor trailer overturned on the highway.

The Highway Patrol reported the driver of the truck, Gary D. Sanford, 22, of Rockingham, was headed west about 5:20 P.M. when he lost control of the truck on a downhill curve and overturned in the road.

Sanford, who was not injured, was charged with exceeding a safe speed and an inspection violation.

The truck, owned by Southeastern Asphalt Co. of Rockingham, was empty at the time of the accident, according to the report.

Scout Meeting Held

The Hoke County Scouting Committee met Tuesday morning with District Scouting Executive John Young of Laurinburg to discuss the program to kick off the Fall activities.

Committee members Gene Carter, chairman; Brown Hendrix Jr., Warren Pate, and Charles Hosteller announced plans to have a meeting in late September with scoutmasters of the county to organize the Fall program and discuss the District Camporee which will be held Oct. 17-19 at the Upchurch Farm.

There are approximately 250 scouts in Hoke County and about 1,000 scouts in the district.

Persons who have any questions may call any committee member or John Young in Laurinburg at 276-7698.

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