

Around Town

BY SAM C. MORRIS

The tour of old churches, sites and homes by the Hoke County Historical Association last weekend was very successful. The crowd that gathered at the site of old Raeford Institute was larger than expected. Every stop seemed to increase the group until approximately 75 were at Wayside Community House for lunch.

The ladies of the Wayside Community were gracious hostess to the group and furnished cool drinks and coffee along with homemade cake for the group.

I would say the only mishap was the time involved in the tour. Of course this was the first time, and no one could even estimate the time that it would take.

Anyway, everyone had a grand time and will be looking forward to other tours put on by the association.

See you the next time.

The Farm Bureau held its annual meeting Monday night with good attendance and a fine meal. This is an occasion I look forward to each year.

The Class of 1966 of Hoke County High School is planning its 10th year reunion to be held on November 29. They are in need of the addresses of three members of the class and have requested that anyone that can help, please do so.

The addresses needed are of Thomas McLaughlin, Bobby Steadman, and Stella Royce.

If anyone can be of help, please contact Alice Glisson at The Bank of Raeford.

The following letter was received this week and reminds me of the spirit for football that Chops McLeod had back a few years ago. I believe it deals with a football game played last Saturday.

My good friend and Carolina graduate, Ashwell Harward, asked me Friday night if ECTC played football and where was it located. I am now ready to answer his question. ECTC is located 110 miles east of Chapel Hill and YES they do play football, Ashwell. I must confess that at times some of the opposition is questionable.

Sincerely,
Raz, the Pirate

Now I won't get involved in this argument about football since I have two children who finished at UNC Chapel Hill and a wife that finished at ECTC at Greenville, but I will take issue as to what this institution is called today.

I was informed several years ago by one, Eugene P. Smith, editor and publisher of The Havelock Progress, that the school was not East Carolina Teachers College but East Carolina University. I went home and my wife said she graduated from ECTC at Greenville and I tried to set her straight after what Smith had informed me. Now Raz comes back several years later and uses the ECTC name.

So now the puzzle has to be solved again. So maybe Smith will give me the reason it has gone back to being called ECTC.

Anyway my son and wife haven't discussed football much since last Saturday.

Rose's Office Here Friday

The mobile office of Congressman Charles G. Rose will be in Raeford Friday, Oct. 31 from 10 A.M. to 3 P.M.

The van will be parked at the post office. Administrative assistant Rip Collins will be on hand.

EDITORIAL By The Editor

(For a change)

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SAMPLE BALLOT FOR MAYOR and CITY COUNCIL

(If you tear or deface or wrongly mark this ballot, return it and get another.)

FOR MAYOR

[] JOHN K. McNEILL JR.

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FOR CITY COUNCIL

(You may vote for five)

[] GRAHAM M. CLARK

[] HESTEL E. (Heck) GARRISON

[] DAVID E. LOVETTE

[] JAMES B. (Bennie) McLEOD

[] SAM C. MORRIS

[] W. D. (Danny) MORRISON

[] CARLTON E. NIVEN

[] CRAWFORD L. THOMAS

[] ROBERT W. WEAVER

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State of North Carolina
Municipal Election, November 4, 1975
City of Raeford

Havelock Bivok
Chairman, Hoke County Board of Elections

John D. Dardley
City Manager, City of Raeford

Tuesday, Nov 4 Election Day

Voters may choose five candidates out of nine names appearing on the ballot for city council and cast one vote for a mayoral candidate in the municipal election Tuesday, Nov. 4.

Voters may mark their ballots for less than five city councilmen, but any ballot marked with more than five will be void and not counted.

Write in votes may be cast for both mayor and city councilmen as long as the total for councilmen does not exceed five and one for mayor.

The polls will open at 6:30 A.M. and close at 7:30 P.M.
Polling precincts are Raeford One (courthouse), Raeford Two, (old county office building), and Raeford Four (Hoke civic center).

Only 5% Collected

The United Fund drive has collected only about five per cent of its nearly \$22,000 goal since the drive began three weeks ago but campaign officials are optimistic contributions will pick up.

Total collected as far was reported

Board Asks HUD Funds

The county planning board met Monday night and elected officers and then voted unanimously to continue a push for obtaining federal funds for county-wide development.

Charlie Morrison was elected chairman of the board and Brown Hendrix, Jr., was chosen vice-chairman. Sarah Leach was elected secretary.

A resolution was carried to request the county commissioners take action to apply for community development funds under the Housing and Urban Development (HUD) program. No application was made last year by Hoke to participate.

The panel also endorsed a plan to seek extended area telephone service which would expand the local exchange and link the system to the Fayetteville - Ft. Bragg exchanges.

Telephones in Hoke County are now presently scattered among many different exchanges and calls within the county are long distance for many residents.

Jim Dougherty, who began work on a long range land use survey under a grant from the Department of Natural and Economic Resources, briefed the board on details of a preliminary survey he completed.

as \$1,192.00 by UF chairmen Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Carter.

Five divisions reported donations as: commercial, \$500; professional, \$247; L & S Railroad, \$60; city, county, federal, and state employees, \$315; individuals, \$70.

No reports have yet been turned in from the larger industrial firms and UF treasurer Sam Morris indicated when these reports are received they will boost the total.

"It's encouraging, it always starts out slowly and then begins to pick up", Morris said.

This year's goal is nearly \$2,500 more than last year. The campaign officially opened Oct. 6 and canvasser's materials had been distributed by the end of that week.

Eighteen organizations will benefit from this year's \$21,920.61 quota, including \$1,914.61 for Carolina United, the arm for all national agencies supported by United Fund contributions.

Local agencies will share the remainder. Girl Scouts, \$5,000; Boy

Scouts, \$5,500; Red Cross, \$4,531; White Cane, \$750; 4-H clubs, \$1,075; Hoke County Rescue Squad, \$1,500; senior citizens, \$150; Hoke County Association for Developmentally Disabled, \$1,500.

Have Safe Halloween

Police chief Leonard Wiggins urged motorists to use extra caution and watch out for "trick or treaters" who will be out Friday night.

"We're hoping everyone will be careful. I don't believe there has ever been a child hit by a car on Halloween and I hope we can continue without a tragedy", he said.

Wiggins recommended youngsters stay in their own neighborhoods for trick and tricking and adults accompany smaller children who will be begging for treats.

Bloodmobile Visit Boosts County Fund

Friday's visit of the Bloodmobile yielded 101 pints for the county's fund, a slight increase over the last quarterly collection and an encouraging boost for the County's fund.

Twenty five donors had to be rejected, county Red Cross chairman Clyde Upchurch said. Upchurch gave the breakdown of blood donors as 44 Knit-Away employees, 25 from Burlington Industries, and 12 city and county government workers. The balance represented donors from small businesses and firms.

"It ran real well and it was an improvement over the last visit," Upchurch said.

The county's quota this year is 454 pints and 116 pints are needed at each quarterly collection drive, Upchurch said.

Upchurch said officials were very pleased with a large turnout of women at this visit. 40 women showed up to give blood and 12 had to be rejected as unsuitable, he said.

The next visit is scheduled for Jan. 15 at the Burlington Plant.

Rec. Director A Possibility

Pay Boosted Airport Gets 'Okay'

The Raeford Municipal Airport received favorable comments from Thomas W. Simmons of the program office of the FAA District Office in Atlanta last week after a visit to check on provisions of money granted in 1972.

Simmons was here to answer questions of the airport committee and to review the current project to see if it justified buying additional land.

"The project is being reviewed to see if it justifies buying additional land. We will notify the airport committee in a few weeks about the results of our review," said Simmons.

"The airport is basically in good shape. The pavement is good and the markings are excellent. The airport has two fixed base operators and they seem enthusiastic and interested," he added.

Simmons cited trees in the transitional area adjacent to the public road that leads to the airport as the only problem.

"These trees should be topped. We'll notify the committee about this problem this week," he said.

Simmons said that there was a need for more taxi-way spaces, more paved apron area and tie-down spaces at the airport.

These needs are outlined in the \$200,000 plus grant the airport committee is seeking which awaits Congressional action at the first of the year.

Crash Kills Hoke Man

A twenty one year - old county man was killed Thursday when his car ran off a rural road in Robeson County and overturned.

Alton Eugene McGirt, Rt. 1, Box 281-A, Shannon, was pronounced dead following the 12:05 P.M. accident about one half mile east of Red Springs, according to the highway patrol.

McGirt was traveling east and alone in a 1970 Chevrolet on rural paved route 1500 at a "very high" rate of speed, according to the patrol.

The vehicle went out of control on a curve, ran off the road and struck a ditch then crossed the road and left the highway on the other side where it overturned several times.

The patrol spokesman said there were no witnesses to the accident. The car was termed a total loss.

Moonlighting Cut

Health Center Crisis

A new Army restriction prohibiting military doctors moonlight, created a crisis for the Hoke County Health Center as it has been without the services of an obstetrician - gynecologist for the last six weeks.

Acting director Mrs. Susan McKenzie indicated that the reason for the restriction stems from the malpractice insurance controversy in Cumberland County and an increase in the number of patients needing attention at Ft. Bragg.

"They have stopped all moonlighting because of malpractice and increase number of patients at Ft. Bragg," she said.

Mrs. McKenzie said she was told that the move was made to provide doctors for military people who are on CHAMPUS, which provides medical treatment for military personnel and their dependents by private physicians, so that they would be treated at Ft. Bragg and reduce the use of the CHAMPUS program.

The action has severely curtailed the family planning program.

"We've called all the doctors we've had in the past, but we can only get

The Hoke County Commissioners bowed to pressure and unanimously passed a motion to budget \$11,000 for a recreation director on a full-time basis at a special meeting Wednesday night.

The \$11,000 will be used to supplement a \$10,000 grant the recreation commission already has, and will assure the new director a job for a period of 18 months.

"We've come to ask you to tell us to hire a recreation director," said Mrs. Billy Postel, recreation commission representative.

Mrs. Postel, Dick Lovett, Mrs. Iris Davis, Younger Snead, Frank Bundy, and J.H. (Buddy) Blue Jr., attended the meeting representing the recreation commission.

"We have two dilemmas. We have \$10,000 which would include benefits reducing it to \$8,750 which is not nearly enough money for a full-time person," said Lovett, commission chairman. "\$12-13,000 is what we need for the sake of flexibility. We need \$13,000 to get a person with experience," he said.

"We do not have money to supplement the needs of a full time person," he added.

Lovett said that he was in hopes of having enough funds to provide a ratio of \$3.350 per person in the county for recreational purposes. He said this situation would be ideal and had hopes of it coming about in the future.

He said that the commission was hoping for an increase for next year's budget plus the salary for the full-time director.

"We're hoping for a twelve per cent increase plus salary for the new director which would be about \$50,000 for next year. I'm saying these figures are based strictly as what we see as need," said Lovett.

"We've already spent in excess of \$25,000 for the recreation program this year," he said.

The representatives pointed out that the job of the new director was not only to organize recreation within the county but to apply for federal grants that would add to the recreation program.

"This Guy (recreation director) will probably bring in \$100,000 in federal grants in the first twelve months," Lovett added.

"We're right on the threshold of getting some real nice situations for Hoke County," he concluded.

"We need to try to get a good qualified individual. With this person as director, it could be a county program and this has been stressed," said Mrs. Davis.

County commission chairman Ralph Barnhart pointed out that county revenue sharing money was the only source for money.

"If you're going to have a recreation program, you've got to have a full-time director," said commissioner John Balfour.

Commissioners heard a plea from Frank Bundy of Rockfish for some

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one once or twice so far," she said.

"We get a doctor every now and then, but not nearly as often," she continued.

She explained that the doctors that were available, came at a time that was convenient to them it often caused a change in the schedule of the health center.

"We often have to drop our entire schedule which means changing appointments. We have trouble contacting some of the patients and this causes a grand mess," she said.

She explained that the average week brought about 30 patients and the doctor received a regular state fee of \$35 per hour for his work.

"This is not as good as it sounds because in a private clinic a doctor can see five or six patients and make \$100 or more," she said.

She indicated that there was always hope and that the board of health, she, and anyone else who would help were looking for a doctor.

"There is always hope. We hope to find someone some place, but we don't know who or how or when," she concluded.