

This Is The Law

By Robert E. Lee

BOUNDARY TREES

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No. White may cut the branches and roots to the line without liability for any resulting damage to the trees.

The owner of a tree has no easement of natural right to have his tree continue to draw nourishment from and to shade by virtue of overhanging branches the adjoining land of a neighbor.

The cut branches and roots belong to the owner of the tree, not to the neighbor who cuts them.

If the roots of trees extend across the boundary line into the premises of an adjoining owner and cause damage, as by the clogging of a sewer line, there may be a recovery of damages for any injury sustained. The injured property owner may also get a court order in the form of injunctive relief against the encroachment of such roots upon his property.



FOOD SERVICE - Members of the food service class taught by Marjorie Foster stand behind their confections prepared for "Open House". Students shown are Teresa Orem, Vastine Malloy, Delphine McIntosh, Evelyn McPhatter, Carl Purcell, Aloyce Murchison, and Evelyn Eden.



LEARNING - Wanda Stephens and Sharon Smith, members of Jean Chappell's clothing and home furnishings class at Hoke High, display items made by the class during "Open House" last Friday. Admiring the work is a Mrs. Miller.

Accent On Agriculture

Agriculture continues to be the nation's number one business in spite of those who might picture it as an unimportant industry with only a few farmers left in it.

The truth is, agriculture is still the nation's largest employer. Between 14 and 17 million people work in some phase of agriculture -- from growing food and fiber to selling it at the supermarket. Farming itself uses 4.4 million workers. That's as many as the combined payrolls of transportation, the steel industry and the automobile industry.

Not only does it require large numbers of people, agriculture is a huge consumer. Annually, farmers purchase:

--\$8.8 billion for farm tractors and other motor vehicles, machinery and equipment. It requires 140,000 employees to produce this farm equipment.

--\$10.1 billion for fuel, lubricants, and maintenance for machinery and motor vehicles used in the farm business. Farming uses more petroleum than any other single industry.

--Products containing 360 million pounds of rubber -- about five percent of the total used in the U.S., or enough to put tires on nearly seven million autos.

--33 billion kilowatt-hours of electricity. That's about 2-1/2 percent of the nation's total and more than the residential use in all the New England states plus Kentucky, Maryland, and Washington, D.C.

--Six-and-a-half million tons of steel in the form of farm machinery, trucks, cars, fencing, and building materials. Farm use of steel accounts for 40,000 jobs in the steel industry.

--Over \$17 billion for seed, feed, fertilizer and lime.

So, the farmer is still a major influence in the economy of this nation. Not only does he provide food and fiber for this country and a good portion of the world, he helps keep the dollars flowing, too.

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Sunday School Lesson

We really don't know who the wise men were. We know only that they were from the East and that they were probably astrologers of some kind.

Despite popular tradition that there were three, we don't know how many there were - Matthew doesn't specify a number. We don't know whether they rode camels, as usually portrayed, or walked. We

don't even know whether they arrived on Christmas Eve or Christmas Day, only that it was sometime around the time "when Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the king" (Matthew 2:1).

Obviously, Herod was not a "wise man," not in any sense of the term. He should have been a wise man, but he wasn't. Although he

had great power, although he had fine resources and access to much wisdom and learning, Herod was not very wise. To be sure, there were times when he was cunning or crafty, but never wise.

He was the head of state, the government and, in a sense, he represents all those who possess temporal power. He who governs, whether as governor, legislator, judge, or mayor, may use the resources at his disposal with great wisdom or with equally great folly. To possess temporal power is no guarantee of wisdom.

Strangely enough, Herod knew that the child Messiah was sent by God, yet he obviously believed he could outsmart God. Man's greatest troubles and tragedies always occur when he assumes he can outwit his Creator.

Neither were the "chief priests and scribes" the wise men. Their foolishness is perhaps even greater

than that of Herod. Herod had to come to them for their expertise in the scriptures. When, in response to his question about the birthplace of the Messiah, he said: "And you, O Bethlehem... from you shall come a ruler who will govern my people Israel..." they demonstrated that intellectually at least, they knew the right answers!

Yet, for all their knowledge, they were not wise men either. They had the right answer, but they didn't know what to do with it. Or, better still, they knew what to do, but they didn't do it. So, instead of scribes and pharisees coming to the Christ-child, instead of the religious elite discovering the newly-arrived Messiah, it was, rather, some strangers from the East who followed the star to the place where Jesus lay.

Luke tells us, instead of wise men from the East, of shepherds who came to worship the newborn King. Yet, in both Gospels, the welcoming committee is hardly the one we might have expected: shepherds and strangers rushed in where rulers and clergy feared to tread!

There is a relevance in Matthew's story even today.

Today, as then, one would expect the pious and the powerful to be the ones to recognize and worship God's Messiah. Yet, for the most part, it is an image they honor, while the real Christ comes unnoticed into their presence. The powerful still think they can outwit their God and the pious still have the right answers but the wrong reactions.

So, sometimes the true Reception Committee is composed of people who like those ancient astrologers from the East, would not fit comfortably in the pews of your local church.

Service Personnel

U.S. Forces, Germany (AHTNC) Nov. 19 -- Army Spec. 4 Ralph S. Cecil, whose wife, Cindy lives in Raeford, recently participated in Exercise REFORGER in Germany.

Spec. 4 Cecil is regularly assigned as an electronics repairman in the 218th Ordnance Detachment, 3rd Infantry Division in Giebelstadt.

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The purpose of the annual exercise was to sharpen techniques for receiving, equipping, assembling, and deploying dual-based units. This year the exercise was incorporated in a broader, coordinated series of NATO and national exercises known as the "Autumn Forge 75 Exercise Series." The broad objective of the series was to improve the capability of NATO forces.

The U.S. Air Force Military Airlift Command flew approximately 10,000 U.S. based soldiers and their equipment to Germany to participate in the exercise.

Spec. 4 Cecil entered the Army in 1973 and completed basic training at Ft. Jackson, S.C. He was last stationed at Redstone Arsenal, Ala.

LEGALS

available for public review in the Courthouse Annex building. This Ordinance along with the Electrical Ordinance presently in effect will require that permits be obtained and fees paid prior to any work being started. Permits may be obtained from County Inspector's office located in the Courthouse Annex building.

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EXECUTOR'S NOTICE IN THE GENERAL COURT OF JUSTICE SUPERIOR COURT DIVISION STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA HOKE COUNTY

Having qualified as Executrix of the estate of John Crawford Wright of Hoke County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said John Crawford Wright to present them to the undersigned within 6 months from date of 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 8th day of December, 1975.
Mrs. Ida Tapp Wright
Raeford, N.C. 28376

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LEGAL NOTICE

Pursuant to N.C.G.S. 153-9 (17)

North Carolina
Hoke County

The City of Raeford advises all interested persons that a public hearing is to be held on January 5, 1976 at 7:30 o'clock P.M., at the City Hall in the City of Raeford to act upon a proposal to close Knit-Away Drive located in the southern portion of the City of Raeford.

North Carolina General Statutes Section 153-9 (17) provides for the closing of streets by a municipality if it appears to the satisfaction of the City Council that the closing of said street is not contrary to the public interest and that no individual owning property in the vicinity of said street or road, or if the subdivision in which said street or road is located will thereby be deprived of reasonable means of ingress and egress to his property.

This the 8 day of December, 1975.

Willis C. Sellars, Acting City Manager
City of Raeford, North Carolina

R. Palmer Willcox, City Attorney

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Request for Bids

The Hoke County Board of Education request bids for removal of food waste from the eight school cafeterias. This waste will be removed daily and all containers will be left clean and orderly. The bid will extend through December 31, 1976. Bids will be received until 12:00 noon January 2, 1976 and opened at that time in the Conference Room of the Hoke County Board of Education Building. The Board of Education reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids.

Raz Austry, Secretary, Board of Education
Hoke County Schools
Raeford, N.C. 28376

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CREDITORS' NOTICE

All persons, firms and corporations having claims against Henry Eldon Rogers, deceased, are hereby notified to exhibit them to Miriam G. Rogers, as Executrix of the decedent's estate on or before the 30th day of June 1976, at Rt. 1, Box 171-A, Lumber Bridge, N.C., or be barred from their recovery. Debtors of the decedent are asked to make immediate payment to the above named Executrix.

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Miriam G. Rogers, Executrix

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IN THE GENERAL COURT OF JUSTICE SUPERIOR COURT DIVISION STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA HOKE COUNTY

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This the 19th day of November, 1975.
(Mrs.) Clara M. Wood
Route 3, Box 612 Fayetteville, N.C. 28306

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Legals

NOTICE

Effective January 1, 1976:
A Hoke County Ordinance adopting N.C. State Plumbing, Heating and Air Conditioning Codes will be enforced County-wide including the City of Raeford. Copies of the new Ordinance will be

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from
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