

Tar Heel Spotlight

Archives Secure

Would you invest three-tenths of one percent of the worth of valuables to insure their protection?

The state of North Carolina has done just that -- invested a very small sum to protect its priceless archives collection -- one of the most valuable in the United States.

Just last week installation was completed on an extensive security system to monitor visitors to the search room in the Archives and History/State Library Building in Raleigh.

State Archivist Thornton Mitchell explained that in 1974, a series of thefts of several documents over a six - months period took place which precipitated the installation of the monitoring system.

"We had things stolen by people we didn't even know were here," Dr. Mitchell explained. "The people hadn't registered as they came in."

The system, recommended and developed by the SBI, features four stationary cameras and two roving cameras mounted in the search room, plus a monitor for each just outside the door. Two security guards who monitor the sets can use the moveable cameras to zoom in close enough to read the document or handwriting on the tables.

With the new equipment, visitor registration is mandatory. The first time a patron arrives to use the search room, his positive identification is shown to one of the security guards. He is then photographed and in a minute or two, is given a laminated card bearing his photograph and identification. The card is about the size and shape of a N.C. driver's license. A duplicate photograph of the patron is kept in the guard's files.

On subsequent visits, the visitor merely registers as he enters the search room and shows the guard

his identification card. When he requests a book or documents from search room staff, he surrenders his card, which is returned to him as the manuscripts or books are returned to the desk.

And the system is completed when the visitor displays his card to the guard again as he leaves.

"The security system was just a necessity," Dr. Mitchell explained. "Theft of valuable documents is becoming increasingly critical all over the country." He pointed out that the system is not entirely foolproof, of course, but certainly serves as a deterrent to theft. He noted that the pressure and the demand on the use of the search room is such that the staff had no time for the most elementary precautions -- with the search room full, the staff could not watch individual people.

Dr. Mitchell theorized that theft of valuable documents is on the rise for possibly two reasons: Thieves steal for money to buy narcotics; and also the market for valuable manuscripts has increased tremendously as a hedge against inflation.

He emphasized that these security measures have been taken in the N.C. Archives to protect the records and make them available to all citizens instead of just a chosen few. "These are public records, created by public officials at public expense -- the public is entitled to have them protected and made available for their use."

The archives collection of North Carolina is one of the major assets of the state and as such will be protected.

He said there have been few complaints about the system from regular users. One man complained about all the "fuss and bother," but was sympathetic when told of the 1974 thefts.

The cost of the \$23,000 system is less than .03% of the total estimated value of the \$75 million collection.

Would you pay a few pennies to protect a precious document?

---INCOME---

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Young explained that even though a decrease was shown for the year, it was not as bad as it seemed because there has been a steady decline in the figures since 1973 which was an unusually good year.

"Before the large increase to almost 19 million in 1973, the average income was only about eleven or twelve million. We are up to about 16 million now and if it had not been for the large increase in 1973, we would have shown a steady increase," he said.

He said the income level will probably stay about the same since the prices are expected to go up and the county will plant about the same amount of tobacco this year. "I'd say the overall picture is reasonably bright. It is as good or maybe a little better than in 1975," he concluded.

---BAREFOOT---

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there, but you should get justice, too," and he called Buoyer at the salvage yard. Dave then called Zeke and talked to him, and he hung up and told me to go back to Zeke. Zeke would take care of it. He told Zeke if it was stolen, it was a felony committed". Barefoot said.

The trailer, which is now at the city garage, was bought back from Raeford Salvage yard two weeks ago by a city worker identified as Thomas Carpenter, according to Clayton Buoyer, owner of the yard. Buoyer said he sold it back for \$11.50, what he paid for it three weeks previously.

City manager Robert Drumwright said last week the trailer didn't belong to Barefoot, it was surplus city property.

"The city wants me to show I bought the materials for it, well if it's theirs, don't they have to show they bought the materials?" Barefoot said.

"The trailer isn't worth anything, but I want the people to understand I wasn't trying to steal it. And people should know Thomas Carpenter is one of the best workers the city's got. I don't believe he would do that, somebody has framed him. He wouldn't do it without somebody telling him". Barefoot charged.

Wiggins said Tuesday it "appeared no criminal charges will be filed, based on the evidence" and said it would be impossible to take the case any further.

"There is no proof of ownership, there's nothing registered with Raleigh, how are you going to prove ownership?" Wiggins said. "Unless something new turns up, the case is closed."

City manager Robert Drumwright refused comment on the matter, as he did last week, although a reliable source said city workers Thomas Carpenter and David Lunsford both quit last week.

"I'd rather not say," Drumwright said when asked about the workers.

Road Closed

The Department of Transportation has closed SR 1100, the Rockfish Road, from U.S. 401 while maintenance crews replace the bridge over Little Rockfish Creek on SR 1102, the Gillis Hill Road, near the Cumberland-Hoke county line.

The road, which closed Feb. 12, is expected to be re-opened in about two weeks, according to DOT officials.

Traffic will be detoured over Rockfish Road on the Cumberland and Galatia Church Road, 1419, or from Wayside to Rockfish Road, 1418, over U.S. 401 in Hoke County. Length of detour is five miles.

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win, and W.E. McNeill, Jr.

Raeford number one-- Chairman Mrs. Graham Clark, first vice-chairman Ivery McNair, second vice-chairman Neill McFadyen, secretary Mrs. Palmer Wilcox, treasurer Mrs. Harry Greene. Precinct committee: Miss Frances Ward Greene, Charlie Morrison, Palmer Wilcox, Mrs. Ethelda Ross, and Mrs. Annie Nora Walker. Delegates: Charlie Morrison, Neill McFadyen, Mrs. Marion Clark, Harvey Warlick, Ivery McNair, Sam Morris, and Frank Teal.

Raeford number two-- Chairman Harold Gillis, first vice-chairman Kay Thomas, second vice-chairman Hinton McPhaul, third vice-chairman Josephine Hall, secretary-treasurer Clyde Upchurch, Jr. Delegates: Helen Dupree, Thelma McPhaul, Flora Alice Crowder, Otis Crowder, and Frank Crumpler.

Raeford number four-- Chairman Sarah Leach, first vice-chairman Ernest Sutton, Jr., second vice-chairman Clayton Buoyer, third vice-chairman Younger Sneed, Jr., secretary-treasurer Lillian Wood. Delegates: All five precinct officers.

Buchan-- Chairman Gilbert McGregor, vice-chairman Mrs. C.G. Odom. Delegates: Charlie Pendergrass and Raymond W. Parks.

Blue Springs-- Chairman Robert Taylor, first vice-chairman Mrs. Willie J. McKinnon, second vice-chairman Jeff Harris, third vice-chairman Miss Rita Oxendine, secretary-treasurer Charlotte R. Kelly. Precinct committee: LeRoy Horsley, Dannie McCollum, Earl Hendrix, Julian Love, John Currie. Delegates: Robert Taylor (uncommitted), Jeff Harris (Jimmy Carter), and Alexander Edwards (Sen. Henry Jackson).



WRECK- The driver and two passengers in this Pontiac escaped injuries when the car slammed into a van on U.S. 401 just south of the city last Wednesday afternoon.

Wreck Injures Two

Two persons were treated for minor injuries and a South Carolina man was arrested for drunken driving following a car and truck smashup Wednesday afternoon on U.S. 401 near the city limits.

Richard A. Elkins, 22, Rt. 8, Fayetteville, and Charles Polston, Hope Mills, were released from Cape Fear Valley Hospital in Fayetteville following the 1:40 P.M.

accident, according to trooper K.W. Weston.

Emett P. Stubbs, 23, Bennettsville, S.C., was charged with drunken driving, improper passing, following too closely, and careless and reckless driving, according to Weston.

Weston gave this account: Two North Raeford Fire Department trucks, along with several volunteer firemen vehicles, were returning from a fire and proceeding north on 401 headed for the city when a 1973 Pontiac Grand AM operated by Stubbs overtook the cars and began tailgating the fire truck.

Chief George Baker, operating the fire truck, radioed for law enforcement assistance, and the Pontiac crossed a double yellow line to pass the fire truck and struck the rear of a van truck occupied by Elkins and Polston which was headed north on 401.

The impact knocked the van 397 feet onto the shoulder, rupturing the gas tank, and the firemen hosed down the highway to prevent a fire.

Stubbs and two passengers were uninjured. According to Weston, Stubbs became belligerent and cursed Baker, and Stubbs was physically restrained.

Stubbs was released on bond pending a Mar. 5 hearing.

Lumber Bridge News

By Lib Sumner

The Lumber Bridge Volunteer Fire Department and The Ladies Auxiliary enjoyed a cookout Saturday evening at the Fire Department Building.

Mrs. Rick McMillan and children, Kimberly and Kristy were dinner guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. S.E. Sumner and Miss Pamela Sumner.

Mrs. J.E. McGougan has been a patient at Rex Hospital, Raleigh for a week. Reports Sunday were that she had improved some.

Mrs. H.P. Honeycutt of Rocky Mount is spending some time with her mother, Mrs. Dennis Clifton.

Mrs. Buddy Jones entered Robeson Cancer Clinic, Lumberton last Thursday.

Miss Wanda Ammons of Campbell College spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S.F. Ammons and Stevie.

Mrs. Mary Stewart of Mt. Airy is visiting her son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Shelton, Courtney.

Mr. and Mrs. Tim Courtney and daughters, Kim and Michelle of Fayetteville visited Mrs. Courtney's grandmother, Mrs. A.F. Tolar on Thursday and on Saturday Mrs. Daisy Conoly, Alvin and James of Wendell visited Mrs. Tolar.

Mrs. S. E. Sumner and Miss Pamela Sumner spent Friday until Tuesday visiting Mr. and Mrs. Jack Kelly and Ronnie Kelly in Phoenix City, Alabama.

Mrs. Ethel D. Gibson is able to be out again after being in bed for the past two weeks.

Misses Lois and Elizabeth Sumner spent Saturday and Sunday in Rowland with their sister, Mrs. Henry K. Crawford.

Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Slabach of McComb, Mississippi have moved to Lumber Bridge and living in Mrs. Mack John's house. Mr. Slabach is manager of a Department at The Croft Aluminum Plant.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Clifton visited relatives in Washington last week.



Read John 15:1-8

Herein is my Father glorified, that ye bear much fruit; so shall ye be my disciples. (John 15:8)

I like to observe plants and fruit trees. Recently I saw an orange tree beside the road with its limbs bare of leaves. Only on the highest limbs were a few ripe oranges that appeared to be tasty.

I stopped to think about the orange tree. How many times had passersby lashed the tree, and how much fruit had it given each of them?

Even when it has no more fruit, as long as it has leaves it can be used as a shade. It is useful even after it is dead -- its limbs can be burned to give heat.

Our Christian life can be fruitful even in the midst of the ungratefulness of fellow human beings. Our life in Jesus Christ makes this possible.

PRAYER: Lord Jesus, help us to be useful to tired travelers who come under the shadow of our life. In Your blessed name we pray. Amen.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY: Are some of the fruits of God's love available to others through us? --copyright--THE UPPER ROOM --Ezequiel Lopes Pereira-- Sao Paulo, Brazil

LEGALS

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Antioch Township, Hoke County, North Carolina, and being more particularly described as follows:

TRACT 1: Lying and being about 2 miles North of the Town of Red Springs and on the Northeast side of and adjoining North Carolina Highway No. 211, Bounded on the Southeast by McCallum Estate lands, on the Southwest by North Carolina Highway No. 211, and on all other sides by other lands owned by Henry H. Hodgin, Jr., and being more particularly described as follows, to-wit:

BEGINNING at an iron pipe in the Northeastern right of way (50 feet from center) of North Carolina Highway No. 211, said iron pipe being located at a point where the southeastern line of the original tract of which this is a part intersects said right of way, and also being located N 81-13 E 293.05 feet from an original railroad iron, the Southwest corner of the original tract, and runs thence as the Northeastern right of way (50 feet from center) of North Carolina Highway No. 211 N 16-34 W 210.00 feet to a point in said right of way; thence as a new line N 81-13 E 210.00 feet to a stake; thence as another new line S 16-34 E 210.00 feet to an iron pipe in the original Southeastern line; thence as said original line S 81-13 W 210.00 feet to the BEGINNING, containing One (1) acre, more or less, according to survey and plat thereof prepared by George T. Paris, RLS, from survey of August 6, 1973. Being a portion of a 55 acre tract of land devised to Henry H. Hodgin, Jr., by last will of Dr. H.H. Hodgin, as of record will appear in Hoke County Registry.

TRACT 11: Lying and being in Antioch Township, Hoke County, North Carolina, about 1.8 miles North of the Town of Red Springs, and on the Northeast side of and adjoining North Carolina Highway No. 211, Bounded on the Southeast by a 1.0 acre lot previously conveyed from Henry H. Hodgin, Jr., to Brady Locklear, and also being located N 16-34 W 210.00 feet from the intersection of the Northeastern right-of-way of N.C. Highway 211 with the Southeastern boundary line of the tract of which this is a part, and runs thence as the Northeastern right-of-way (50 feet from center) of N.C. Highway 211, N 16-34 W 105.00 feet to an iron pipe; thence as a new line N 81-13 E 210.00 feet to an iron pipe; thence as another new line, S. 16-34 E 105.00 feet to an original iron pipe, the Northeast corner of the aforementioned 1.0 acre conveyance; thence as the Northwest line of said conveyance, S 81-13 W 210.00 feet to the Beginning containing 0.50 acres as shown on a map prepared by George T. Paris, R.L.S., dated May 24, 1974, and being a portion of a 55 acre tract of land owned by Henry H. Hodgin.

Five percent (5%) of the amount of the highest bid must be deposited with the Trustee pending confirmation of the sale.

Dated this 2nd day of February, 1976.

WILLIAM L. MOSES, Trustee
 40-43C

UNITED STATES MARSHAL'S SALE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA

By virtue of an Order of Sale issued out of the United States District Court for the Middle District of North Carolina, on the 21st day of November, 1975, notice is hereby given that I will sell by public auction, for cash, on Friday, the 27th day of February, 1976, at 12:00 o'clock Noon, at Hoke County Courthouse, Raeford, North Carolina the below described property, to-wit:

House and lot, located in Raeford Township, Hoke County North Carolina at 413 Dickson Street, Raeford, North Carolina. Property being in the western portion of said Town of Raeford on the west side of Dickson Street, almost opposite Town of Raeford filtering plant, and being Lot # 6 (Six) fronting 100 feet on said Dickson Street comprising an area 100 ft. x 175 feet, as shown and described by metes and bounds on a plat of said property captioned "West Side Heights", dated November, 1955, drawn by R.H. Gatlin, C.E., and recorded in Hoke County Registry Book of Maps J, Page 96, to which reference is hereby made for further identification.

P. Ellis Almond, U.S. Marshal Middle District of North Carolina P.O. Box 1528 Greensboro, North Carolina 27402 40-43C

CREDITOR'S NOTICE

Having qualified as Administrator, C.T.A. of the estate of W.L. Beckwith, deceased, late of Hoke County, this is to notify all persons having claims against said estate to present them to the undersigned on or before August 12, 1976 or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned.

This the 12th day of February, 1976.

Hallie B. Beckwith
 Rt. 4, Box 149
 Raeford, N.C.
 Hostetler & McNeill
 Attorneys-at-Law
 Raeford, N.C.

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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 Brady Locklear and wife, Aleatha D. Locklear, to Philip A. Diehl, Trustee, dated the 3rd day of July, 1974, and recorded in Book 180, Page 594, in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Hoke County, North Carolina, default having been made in the payment of the indebtedness thereby secured and the said deed of trust being by the terms thereof subject to foreclosure, and the holder of the indebtedness thereby secured having demanded a foreclosure thereof for the purpose of satisfying said indebtedness, and the Clerk of the Court granting permission for the 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 10:30 a.m., on the 4th day of March, 1976, the land, as improved, conveyed in said deed of trust, the same lying and being in