

Deaths And Funerals

Former A&R President Dies



Forest Lockey

Forest Lockey, former mayor of Aberdeen and retired president of the Aberdeen and Rockfish Railroad, died Tuesday at a Pinehurst hospital following an extended illness.

Lockey, 76, served as North Carolina highway commissioner, a position he was appointed to in 1953 by Gov. William B. Umstead.

He was also appointed to the board of the North Carolina Tuberculosis Sanitarium in 1965 by Gov. Dan K. Moore.

A Shelby native, and a resident of Raeford in the early 1900's and student at Raeford Institute, Lockey was associated with the railroad for 50 years. He retired as the line's president a year ago.

Funeral services are scheduled for 3 P.M. today (Thursday) from the Page Memorial United Methodist Church by the Rev. Wilbur I. Jackson. Burial is scheduled for the Bethesda Cemetery.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Carrie Hurley Lockey; a son, Forest Lockey Jr. of Aberdeen; two sisters, Mrs. Arthur McEachin of Red Springs and Mrs. Oscar Camper of Kingsport, Tenn.; and two grandchildren.

Wilfred T. Walters

Funeral services for Wilfred (Willie) Thomas Walters, 43, of Raeford, were conducted Sunday at 3 P.M. at the Raeford United Methodist Church by the Rev. Kelly Wilson and P.O. Lee. Burial was in Raeford Cemetery.

Walters, who died Friday, was an active member of the Hoke County Rescue Squad for 13 years.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Catherine Walters; two sons, Mitchell Thomas Walters and James Carl Walters, both of Raeford; his father, T.C. Walters of Raeford; two brothers, Stutts Walters of Jacksonville and Lennon Walters of Virginia Beach, Va.; and three sisters, Mrs. Merle Harris of Chesapeake, Va., Mrs. Euzenna Stephens of Raeford, and Mrs. Retha Britt of Chadbourn.

Pallbearers were Pat Jackson, Jimmy James, Robert Cole, Leonard Ellis, Willard Byrd, and Jeff Sumner.

Rescue squad members were honorary pallbearers.

Joe Walter Lowery

Funeral services for Joe Walter Lowery, 27, of Rt. 1, Raeford, who died March 31, were held Sunday at 2 P.M. in Lowery's Funeral Home chapel. Burial was in the church cemetery.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Hattie Chavis Lowery; a daughter, Miss Connie Lowery of the home; his father, the Rev. Joe Lowery of Rt. 1, Raeford; two brothers, Sgt. Wyvatt Lowery of Ft. Stewart, Ga. and Timmy Lowery of the home; and two sisters, Mrs. Nancy Oxendine and Miss Rita Fay Lowery, both of Rt. 1, Raeford.



Edward E. Andrews

Funeral services for Edward Earl Andrews, 28, of Raeford, who died Friday, were held Sunday at 4 P.M. at the Raeford Church of God. Revs. B.V. Childress and Frank Moore officiated. Burial was in Raeford Cemetery.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Joanne Andrews; two daughters, Miss Pricilla Andrews and Miss Erlene Andrews of the home; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Andrews of Raeford; two brothers, Larry Andrews and Jerry Andrews of Raeford; and a sister, Mrs. Wade Garner of Ashley Heights.

Pallbearers were Buddy Lee, Jeff Sumner, Willard Byrd, Ted Lunsford, Ed Robinson, and Ronnie Wilson.

Robert A. Barefoot

Funeral services for Robert Arthur Barefoot, 30, of Raeford who died Friday, were held Sunday at 2 P.M. at Crumpler Funeral Home chapel. Burial was in Raeford Cemetery.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Gloria Barefoot; a son, Robert Thomas Barefoot of the home; a daughter, Miss Lisa Barefoot of the home; his father, James Barefoot of Raeford; five brothers, Charles Barefoot, Thomas Barefoot, James Barefoot, Ernest Barefoot and Wilbert Barefoot of Raeford; and two sisters, Mrs. Doris Skinner and Mrs. Edna Kerr of Kernesville.

Woodrow W. Holliday

Funeral services for Woodrow Wilson Holliday, 63, of Williamson, who died Sunday, were held Tuesday at 4 P.M. at Biggs Funeral chapel. Burial was in Woodlawn Cemetery.

Among the survivors is a brother, Homer Holliday of Raeford.

Head Start Applications Due April 30

Four-County Community Services, Inc., Head Start Program is now taking application for enrollees for program year 1976-77.

The deadline for application is April 30th. Enrollee selections will be made during the month of May and parents will be notified the first of June.

If you have a child between three and five years of age who is eligible under the program guidelines, please make application at your nearest Head Start Center or Neighborhood Service Center before April 30th. Children from families whose income is below the poverty guideline are eligible.



FLAG DAY - Carson Davis, representative of Woodmen of the World, presented to TexElastic Corporation a flag in a ceremony Tuesday, March 30. Accepting the flag is Horace Stogner, plant manager.



Ruritan Club -- Arch McGugan (on left), first president of the Allendale-Antioch Ruritan Club, is shown with first vice-president Dave Currie at the recent 21st anniversary celebration. Guests attending were Avalon Potts of Advance, N.C., national director; Ed Cartner of Mocksville, national treasurer; and Harold Matthews of Gray's Creek, zone governor. Rev. Ben Ferguson conducted a memorial for deceased charter members. (Photo by A.T. Johnson)



NEEDLEPOINT PORTRAIT of this 8-year-old table tennis champ is typical of the "paintings in yarn" being produced in the Peoples Republic of China. In special factories, teams of hand stitchers may spend months painstakingly creating these large needlepoint pictures, achieving high detail and color range.

Americans In Stitches Thanks To Needlepoint

What would they all have in common? Martha Washington, Spiro Agnew, Helen of Troy, Field Marshall Montgomery, Rosey Grier, Martha Mitchell, and the Duke of Windsor?

How about needlepoint? According to various reports, eyewitnesses, and confessions, they all have tried their hand at this ancient and increasingly popular stitchery art, the National Geographic Society says.

In fact, the skill that well-born Victorian mothers used to teach their daughters because "the Devil makes work for idle hands" big city businessmen now take up to help them unwind.

Needlepoint, the kind of embroidery that fills a piece of canvas with often identical stitches creating a colored picture or design, was invented nobody knows how long ago.

An example of needlepoint was found in an Egyptian tomb of the 15th century B.C., and some say needlepoint probably was invented even that long ago in China.

Chinese skill with needle and thread has since become world-famous. Now this expertise can be seen by Americans in a remarkable exhibition of 38 classic Chinese scenes in needlepoint and four finely worked silk embroideries, all made in the Peoples Republic of China.

They were collected in China for LeeWards Creative Crafts, Inc., of Elgin, Illinois. They will be ex-

hibited eight weeks at the National Geographic Society in Washington, D.C., and then in April at the Chicago Public Library.

Creating beautiful pictures and designs may be the basic motive behind needlepoint, but it's not the only one.

Today's needlepointers say it gives them something to do with their hands while trying to quit smoking, it passes time during commercials or between football plays while watching television, and it's a powerful aid to relaxing tensions.

A psychiatrist says needlepoint's vogue may be related to a search for identity. He says he does it while listening to patients on his couch, stitching away when they start repeating themselves.

In Colonial times little girls showed off their ABC's in needlepoint, painstakingly stitching samplers, perhaps signed "Made by Grace, Age 5, 1776," and prized today by their great-great-granddaughters.

Needlepoint samplers also marked life's milestones: a graduation, a marriage, or a "Home Sweet Home."

Pity mottoes and worthy sayings are needlepoint favorites: "Love is another Word for Mother," "Bless the Lord, O My Soul," "May the Wind always be at your Back," or "Before you Meet your handsome Prince, you'll probably have to Kiss a lot of Toads."



TURKEY TALK— Mrs. Louise Wood, a Pembroke State University senior assigned as student teacher at Hoke High, presented a demonstration on the many varieties of turkey products and how they can be prepared for about 50 home economics students at the high school. Products were furnished courtesy of House of Raeford Farms.



RURAL SCENE— The tobacco bulk barns, never-changing landmarks on the rural scene, will be pressed into service again this summer after a winter's rest to house the 1976 flue-cured tobacco crop. Designation of warehouses is now underway by growers.



WARNING— Despite the prominently placed warnings to put trash outside the containers, bundles of garbage and loose trash have been strewn on the ground at this county-owned sanitary container.

Cost Of Accidents, Veteran's Corner

\$3,393,000 Locally

For the average Hoke County resident, what are the chances of going through an entire year without having an accident of some sort?

Are local people more likely or less likely to be involved in a traffic accident or a home accident than those in other communities?

According to the latest government statistics, covering the entire country, local residents are more accident prone than the average.

The findings are based upon data compiled by the U.S. Public Health Service, in connection with its annual vital statistics survey, and upon reports from the National Safety Council.

Covered were all accidents in which Hoke County people were involved, wherever they took place, including those that occurred while driving, while at work, in the home, or while swimming, boating or hunting. Not included, however, were local accidents affecting non-residents.

Taking into account the Government's last three annual reports, it appears that there has been an average of 13 fatal accidents per year in the county. Motor vehicles were responsible for 8 of them.

In terms of population, the annual toll in the area was at the rate of 80 fatalities per 100,000 people during the three-year period.

It was a somewhat higher rate than was found in most other communities in the United States, where the average was 55 per 100,000. In the State of North Carolina it was 70.

The National Safety Council's latest figures show a big drop in the overall death toll from accidents, resulting in a saving of 11,000 lives in the past year alone. Some 9,300 of them were due to a decrease in motor vehicle deaths, attributed in

large part to the fact that people did less driving and kept their speed down.

However, despite the improvement, there were still no less than 105,000 accidental deaths in the United States. And, for every person who lost his life, there were more than 100 others who were seriously injured.

The National Safety Council estimates the economic loss involved, counting loss of wages, medical expenses, property damage and the like at \$43.3 billion.

Hoke County's share of this loss, applying the average cost per accident to the local area, comes to approximately \$3,393,000.

Social Security News

People should cash their supplemental security income checks within a reasonable time to prevent loss or theft, even though there's no time limit on cashing them, according to W.W. Thomas, social security manager in Fayetteville.

"A check that's lost, stolen, or destroyed can be replaced, but it will take some time," he said. "It's in your interest to handle your supplemental income checks carefully."

"It's a good idea to sign your check in front of the person who will cash it," he said. "If you sign your check and then lose it, it could be cashed by anyone who finds it."

People whose supplemental security income checks are lost, stolen, or destroyed should get in touch with the nearest social security office at once and explain what happened, Thomas advised.