

Airport Expansion

Council Makes Offer

The Raeford City Council voted to offer an appraised value for land needed for expansion at the Raeford Municipal Airport at a special meeting Monday afternoon.

The three tracts of land were appraised at \$35,200 including a hangar that is located on one of the tracts.

The appraisal of the land not including the hangar was approximately \$19,000.

Seventy-five percent of the

money used to buy only the land will be provided through a federal grant if it passes through Congress. The state may pay 12 1/2 per cent of the price, leaving the city with either 12 1/2 or 25 percent of price to be paid by local funds.

The offer for the land had to be made within 30 days of the appraisal.

The council unanimously voted to make the appraised offer for the land and the hangar.

2,100 Acres Charred

County Forests Burn

Aided by firefighting units from surrounding areas, forest rangers and county volunteer firemen battled a Saturday blaze which raged over the Hwy. 211 area and onto the Ft. Bragg reservation, destroying about 2,100 acres of woodland within the county.

County forest ranger Robert A. Jones reported the blaze started when a trash fire at a home got out of control. Fanned by strong winds and parched woodland, the fire sprang over a large area between Hwy. 211 west of Raeford and

Chicken Rd. on the military reservation.

Puppy Creek, Hillcrest, North Raeford, and city firemen, along with the Hoke County Rescue Squad, fought the fire assisted by crews from Chapel Hill, Rockingham, Harnett County, and Ft. Bragg, before bringing it under control about 11 A.M. Sunday.

Thirteen crawler tractors were reportedly used to cut fire breaks, but efforts were hampered by the strong winds.

UNC's Friday Speaker For May Alumni Meet

William C. Friday, president of the University of North Carolina, has been announced as featured speaker for the annual meeting of the Cumberland-Hoke chapter of the UNC Alumni Assn.

The local chapter will have its annual meeting on Tuesday, May 11, at Highland Country Club.

Other special guests will include UNC Alumni Affairs Director Clarence Whitefield, and Student Body President Bill Bates and President-elect Billy Richardson. Both Bates and Richardson are graduates of Terry Sanford High School.

Friday was named president of the university in 1956 at the age of 36. Since his inauguration, UNC has adopted a code of academic freedom, expanded from three to six campuses, developed an educational television network, expanded the University facilities, transformed the Research Triangle area

(with the help of Duke), and experienced unprecedented growth in service to North Carolina.

In 1966, Friday was appointed chairman of the Presidential Task Force on Education. That same year, he was listed among the nation's 14 most "dynamic and influential" college presidents in Time magazine.

He has been active in the Urban Coalition Education Task Force, N.C. Council of the National Council on Crime and Delinquency, and National Council of the Boy Scouts of America.

Friday has received honorary degrees from Wake Forest, Belmont Abbey, Duke University, Princeton University, Elon College and Davidson College.

He is married to the former Ida Willa Howell of Lumberton. They have three daughters, Frances, Mary and Elizabeth.

Accent On Agriculture

The "Big Three" of the hundreds of U.S. agricultural products sold overseas -- corn, wheat, soybeans -- account for almost 70% of the total value of all foreign exports. The most common criticism of the exports is that the price of these farm products is being driven up and thereby increases the cost of food for consumers at home.

So, just what is the true relationship between the two?

Following the announcement of sales of wheat and corn to Russia, futures prices of the "Big Three" rose about a dollar a bushel. When all three of these crops rise \$1 each bushel, it means that consumer food expenditures are expected to increase by 3 1/2 to 4 1/2 percent. However, since food accounts for less than 20 percent of consumers' buying costs, the increase amounts to less than one percent in overall living expenditures. This \$1 a bushel increase in income to the farmer, which represents less than a one percent hike in consumer living costs, can spell the difference between a year of profit or loss on the farm.

Also, increases in crop prices have to be in effect for some time, usually three months or more, before they have any effect on the retail price of food. In some instances, as much as a lag of a year might elapse before changes in grain prices show up at the retail level.

Let's take the price of bread for example: In mid-1972, the farmer received 2.6 cents out of the price of a one-pound loaf of bread for the wheat that went into it. In mid-1975, the farmer received 3.6 cents of the bread's price for his wheat. Hence, in three years, the farmer was getting only a penny more for the wheat. But, during the same period the overall price of a loaf of bread to the consumer went up 10.9 cents.

Thus, those between the farmer and the consumer received ten times more of an increase than the grower of the wheat.

There are 78 Medal of Honor recipients buried in the 103 National Cemeteries maintained by the Veterans Administration.



RUBBLE -- Rubble is all that remains of a trailer near Piney Grove Church after a fire raged Friday about 4 P.M. No one was in the trailer at the time and North Raeford Fire Department volunteers put the blaze out.

Boy On Bicycle Hit

An eleven year-old Queenmore boy remains hospitalized in Chapel Hill after he was hit by a truck Saturday while riding his bicycle on Magnolia Ave.

Cleveland Tew, Rt. 3, Box 320, Raeford, was taken to Moore Memorial Hospital with head injuries following the 11:45 A.M. accident and later transferred to North Carolina Memorial Hospital in Chapel Hill, according to Raeford police.

Police Chief Leonard Wiggins said witnesses reported the boy was heading north on Magnolia St. and rode his bike through a red light and into the path of a truck being operated by Lenon Ransom, 23, of Rt. 2, Box 135-A Raeford, which was proceeding east on Prospect

Ave. No charges will be filed, police said.

City Pair Nominated Volunteers

Two Raeford men are among 500 state residents nominated for "Volunteer of the Year" award and invited to the Executive Mansion in Raleigh April 30 for a reception hosted by First Lady Pat Holshouser.

Robert Gatlin and Jimmy Morrissey were chosen as part of Volunteer Week in North Carolina, an event proclaimed by Gov. Holshouser for April 25 through May 1.

In his proclamation, the Governor urged all North Carolinians to "seek out some area in the community where they can, be devoting a few hours each week and more...give aid to some needy individual or cause".

Morrissey has been active in the NAACP and helped organize a successful voter registration drive for minorities.

Gatlin has been active in community affairs and has devoted much time to the new library drive, the county's official Bicentennial project.

Quilt Festival Sunday, May 2

The public is invited to visit the Moore County Quilt Festival on Sunday, May 2 from 1-5 P.M. at the Campbell House on E. Connecticut Ave. in Southern Pines.

Demonstration of creating a quilt, including the process called "putting in the quilt", and instruction in natural vegetable dyeing of the cotton fibers, is scheduled.

The show is organized by Deanne Belinoff, visiting artist at Sandhills Community College.

More than three million veterans live in California, according to the Veterans Administration.

Area Incidents

Break-ins Probed

Sheriff's deputies are investigating various break-ins and larcenies that occurred last week.

Isaac Locklear, Rt. 3, Red Springs, reported that 16 bags of fertilizer were stolen from the Womble Farm sometime Tuesday, April 20. The fertilizer was valued at \$68.20.

Thomas A. Haynes, Rt. 2, Raeford, complained that someone broke into his 1973 Volkswagon while it was parked at Gore's Station Saturday, April 24, and took tools, tapes, and fishing equipment valued at \$206.

Mary Lindsay, Rt. 3, Raeford, reported that four sewing machines valued at \$400 were taken from the Avery Chapel Church sometime Saturday, April 24.

J.O. McAllister, Rt. 1, Lumber Bridge, reported that someone broke into his house sometime Monday, April 26, and took a television and a fan valued at \$180.

Joe Lowery, Rt. 1, Raeford, complained that someone broke into his house sometime Monday,

April 26, and took a tape player and radio valued at \$280.

Raeford police reported an apparent weekend break-in at J.W. McLaughlin Elementary School, in which a cassette tape player valued at \$169 was taken. Principal Jim Bowles reported screen wire was cut on a window and entry apparently made through the lunchroom.

Literacy Council Meets May 3

A special meeting of the Hoke County Literacy Council is scheduled at 3:30 P.M. Monday, May 3 in the Cameron Heights Neighborhood Community Center.

A discussion of the recent workshops to train tutors to teach non-reading adults is planned. Representatives of the Robeson County Church and Community Center will attend.

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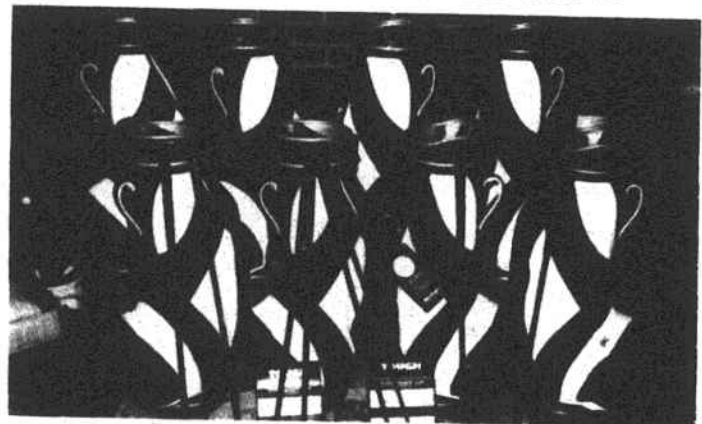
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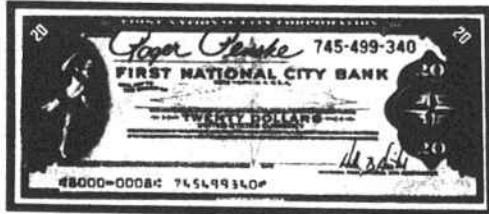
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