



AID TO ELDERLY—Mrs. Willard Shell, the city's home visitor, checks the adjustable walker which was donated by the Home Life Department of the Raeford Womans Club through chairman Betty Knox. The aid will be available for an elderly person on loan through the home visitor's office.



SKATING MEDAL -- Deborah Davis of Raeford, a rising sophomore at Appalachian State University, received a silver medal at the recent Southeastern Mississippi Valley Invitational Ice Skating Competition in Knoxville, Tenn. Miss Davis skated for the Polar Bear Skate Club of Boone and received the second place honor in the Beta division for females ages 16-19. The invitational meet is sponsored by the Ice Skating Institute of America.

Pharmacist Joins Store

Thomas P. Howell has joined Howell Drug Co. in Raeford as part of the pharmacists' staff. Howell, the son of owners Mr. and Mrs. W.L. Howell, Jr., was graduated from the University of North Carolina this spring and received his B.S. degree in pharmacy. Howell will be associated with the Rexall affiliate on a full-time basis.



"Even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing, in whose case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelieving, that they might not see the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. (2 Corinthians 4:3-4, NASB)

The trail leading around the edge of the lake to the cabin was precarious and overgrown; so my husband carried the lantern and led the way, pushing aside underbrush on that dark night. It seemed a logical approach to the problem; but instead of seeing the cleared path, all I could see was the bright glare of the lantern. This "logical" plan positioned me so that I stumbled along the path, blinded by what should have been my source of light.

Had I continued on in blindness, refusing the light when offered me, I could have easily slipped and fallen, perhaps even perished. But when I received the lantern and carried it close to my side, I could see the path in front of me clearly enough to walk safely.

God's grace is not logical in human terms. It is only when we draw near to Christ that the dark paths of life are illumined.

PRAYER: Lord, remove the scales from our eyes that we may see Thy light. Amen.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY: Salvation has to be experienced to be believed.

Area Incidents

Burglars Busy Last Week

A Hoke County woman complained last week that almost \$500 worth of items were taken from her home sometime Tuesday, May 11.

Annie Goins, Rt. 1, Red Springs reported that a television, CB radio, and a microphone valued at \$499 was taken when someone broke into her house last week.

In other incidents, Clyde Campbell, Rt. 1, Raeford, complained that his hub caps were taken off his car while it was parked at the Upchurch School last Saturday, May 15.

Mary Adams, Rt. 2, Raeford, reported that someone broke into her home sometime Friday, May 14, and did \$50 in damages.

Horace Jones, Rt. 1, Red

Springs, reported that a riding mower valued at \$500 was taken from his yard Friday, May 14.

Ronald Maynard, 620 N. Jackson St., reported that a tire and wheel valued at \$150 was taken off his car while it was parked on 401 North Monday, May 17.

Robert L. Graham, P.O. Box 291, Raeford, reported that someone took a bicycle from his yard Saturday, May 15.

Joe Hawkins reported that someone broke into the 76 station on the 15-501 By-pass Tuesday, May 18, and took \$35.46 in change.

In incidents reported to police, Lester Denkins, 514 N. Jackson,

complained a lawnmower worth \$120 was stolen from his yard sometime over the weekend.

Rebecca L. Hester, P.O. Box R, Raeford, complained her billfold containing \$105 in cash was removed from her pocketbook left in her auto while she was in Blanton's Laundromat on Harris Ave. Sunday. A checkbook was also missing, police said.

About \$40 in cash and merchandise was removed from vending machines at Hughes Texaco station on Main St. sometime over the weekend, police reported. No signs of forced entry were found and a key may have been used.



DIRECTOR -- Harry Carter recently completed the state exam and has become a licensed funeral director. Carter, 26, has been associated with Crumpler Funeral Home in Raeford for the past year. A graduate of Seventy-First High School, he is currently enrolled at Fayetteville Technical Institute studying for an embalming license.

Joy Johnson Seeks Fourth Term

State Rep. Joy Johnson announced he will file for a fourth term as a representative of the 21st District (Robeson, Hoke and Scotland Counties) next week.

"I am grateful to all the people of the district for their confidence, trust and support for the past three terms and request their support again," Johnson said.

"My legislative goals are: greater protections and rights for the consumer, the best services for the greatest number at the lowest

possible cost, quality and equal education for all children, adequate compensation and protection for state employees, teachers and all other school personnel, law and order with equal protection and enforcement,

cut the bureaucracy for the needy and elderly, raise the quality of living for those at the bottom of the totem pole, and make government more fiscal responsible with a sound equitable tax structure," he said.

Scurlock Field Day 21st

Scurlock School will hold a special Field Day Friday, May 21, with events open to the public, county physical education coor-

dinator Loria White announced.

The events are designed to utilize as many abilities in physical activities with as many students as possible participating.

After morning events which include all grades, tug-of-war contests, including a teachers' tug-of-war event, will be held in the afternoon.

Seniors' Party May 20 At 7

Special music, square dancing and the presentation of certificates to outstanding senior citizens will be featured at a party for senior citizens from Hoke and Moore counties on Thursday, May 20 at 7 P.M. at Sandhills Community College in Southern Pines.

The party is planned as part of the celebration of National Senior Citizens week.

Mrs. Myrtle Sappenfield, Mrs.

Earl Tolar, Mrs. Marshall Newton, W.P. Phillips and C.C. Conoly are the local senior citizens to be honored. They were chosen on the basis of community activities and club and volunteer work.

Anyone over sixty years of age is invited to attend the party. For further information, contact senior citizens coordinator Josephine Hall.



SAFETY TALK—Johnny Baker, fire services training consultant for the state's community colleges, visited fourth graders at South Hoke School last Friday to talk about fire safety. Here he explains the type of extinguisher needed for a particular fire.



CHANGING OVER -- Outgoing Chamber of Commerce president Dick Lovett hands over the gavel to newly installed president Gilbert Bernhardt at the annual meeting and banquet Monday night. About 250 persons attended.

Veterans Corner

EDITOR'S NOTE: Following are representative questions answered daily by VA counselors. Full information is available at any VA office.

Q -- If I am hospitalized for treatment of my service-connected disability, how is my VA compensation affected?

A -- If you are hospitalized for more than 21 days, your disability rating will be increased to 100 percent until the last day of the month of hospital discharge or termination of treatment or observation for the disability.

Q -- How much will VA pay me for enrolling in a correspondence course under the GI Bill?

A -- Eligible veterans may be reimbursed 90 percent of established charges for the number of lessons completed by the veteran and serviced by the school. Payment is made quarterly.

Q -- The VA has terminated my husband's pension payments, reason "whereabouts unknown." Is there any way I can be paid his VA pension since I only receive Social Security payments?

A -- Possibly. After 90 days the veteran's pension may be paid to a wife if a claim is filed within one year following date of last payment to the veteran. The amount paid will be that received by the veteran or the amount of death pension, whichever is the lesser.

Cub Scouts Meet 28th

All members of Cub Scout pack #34 and their families are requested to attend the program meeting May 28 at 6 P.M. in the Armory, cubmaster Richard Ferguson announced.

On Saturday, May 29, the pack will hold a paper drive to raise money for projects. Anyone who would like to donate old newspapers may bring them to the front of the Edenborough Shopping Center at 5 P.M. for collection.

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