

**Area Incidents**

# Police Nab Two In Florida

Ft. Walton Beach, Fla. police are holding one suspect in connection with the theft of an automobile here last week and also have in custody a juvenile female described

as his traveling companion. Police Chief Leonard Wiggins and Det. C.E. Campbell left Raeford early Wednesday morning enroute to the Florida city to return

the suspect to Raeford. The suspect, whom police declined to identify, has waived extradition proceedings, according to Wiggins. He is wanted in connection with the theft of a 1972 Pontiac station wagon belonging to Lud Hales.

In the county, sheriff's deputies questioned one suspect but no arrests have been made in connection with the shooting of a Raeford man early Saturday morning.

James Shaw, no address listed, was wounded in the right chest by a gunshot wound from a small caliber pistol about 8 A.M. Saturday in a Vass Rd. neighborhood. Shaw was taken to a hospital but no other details were available.

John L. Hines, 805 Saunders St., sustained two gunshot wounds in the foot during a quarrel in a Shawtown home about 10:30 P.M. July 27, according to another report filed. No charges have been made.

Brain Wellington, 101 Cardinal Dr., reported a break-in at his trailer home in Carolina Country sometime between July 27-28. Listed as stolen are record albums, silverware and a stereo with a total value of \$345.

Glenn Gibson, Rt. 2, Raeford, complained Gibson's Garage on 401-bypass was entered sometime last Wednesday night and \$50 was taken from a safe. The office was ransacked but apparently nothing else taken, according to the report.

J.H. Wright complained \$1,344 worth of household goods were removed from a trailer sometime between April 1 and last week. The trailer, which had been vacant, was apparently entered by breaking a door.

Addie Page, P.O. Box 449, Raeford, reported to deputies a hubcap worth \$17.94 was stolen from her car sometime the night of July 29.

Willie Maynor, Rt. 1, Raeford, complained 200 sticks of green and cured tobacco were stolen sometime last Monday night. No value was listed for the loss.

Erlina Locklear, Rt. 3, Red Springs, reported her handbag containing \$105 in cash and a .22 caliber pistol was stolen from her house while she was asleep Sunday night.

Everette Gates, Rt. 1, Raeford, complained a 26-inch western flyer bicycle was stolen from his yard sometime last Friday night.



HEADING FOR CAMP—Twenty-four youngsters got ready to board a bus to take them to Camp Monroe for a week of fun Monday. The youngsters from disadvantaged homes were selected by a committee and funds for their camp tuition and clothing were raised through the efforts of the Raeford Womens Club.

## Tar Heel Spotlight

Father -- son -- grandson -- three generations of Murfrees dominated the early days of Murfreesboro, N.C.

William Murfree, a Nansemond County, Va., farmer, settled in Hertford County in 1747 and began the decades of domination of the area politically, socially and economically. Long an influential figure in local politics, William, before the creation Hertford County, served the General Assembly during 1758 and 1759 from Northampton County, and in 1762 was elected High Sheriff for Hertford County, the second person to hold that position.

During the Revolution, William served his county at the provincial congress of 1775 and 1776, signed the famous Halifax Resolves in 1777, and in 1779, was a member of the group framing North Carolina's constitution. One of the wealthier men of the area, at the close of the Revolution, William Murfree owned 10 Negro slaves, a herd of 23 cattle and almost 1,000 acres of land.

Following in the path of service to his county and nation was Hardy Murfree, William's son. When he was 19, he was elected to the vestry of St. Barnabas Parish (Hertford County). He was a lieutenant in the local militia at age 20, and at the beginning of the Revolution, was appointed a captain in the Continental army.

As captain, he saw action in some of the most decisive battles of the war, in the battles of Germantown, at Monmouth and Brandywine. He is best remembered for his action in 1779 -- as commander of a charge at Stoney Point, N.C., he was to divert the fire of the enemy in order for two other units to attack the fort. The position was captured along with the British defenders, and Murfree's part in the day's action earned him recognition from Gen. George Washington and Gen. Anthony Wayne (his commanding officer) for "good conduct and intrepidity."

In later campaigns, Murfree was

promoted to major and served as paymaster under Gen. Jethro Sumner in North Carolina. On Feb. 17, 1780, he was married to Sally Brickell, and their first child, William Hardy Murfree, was born at Murfree's Landing, the Murfree home site Oct. 2, 1781.

Murfree later led a troop to Maney's Neck, 10 miles away from Murfree's Landing, to dispel a Tory raid, and then took up a stand at Skinner's bridge about four miles above Murfree's Landing. The attackers were driven back without a fight and the rest of the county was safe from the raiders.

In gratitude for his services in the Revolution, Hardy Murfree received some 6,000 acres of land in Tennessee, a tract which he later enlarged by purchases. After the war, Hardy's public life included several positions with the state, and his only elective office -- as representative of his county at Halifax in voting approval to the new federal constitution of the United States.

He took his family and moved to Tennessee in 1807, where the town of Murfreesboro is named for him.

Grandson William Hardy Murfree was the first Hertford County graduate of the University of North Carolina. After graduation in 1801, the young man read law in Edenton for a year, returned to his hometown and set up a practice. He was elected to the General Assembly in 1805 and 1812, but declined a third term, and in 1823, he, too left for Tennessee. He left no Murfree in North Carolina to carry on the name that had dominated the region for more than 75 years.

However, sons, daughters, and nephews carried on the name nobly in Tennessee. There were several prominent physicians and attorneys, and two of William Hardy's daughters became celebrated authors in their own right.

And the town which bears their name in North Carolina is restoring some of the landmarks Murfree saw in their everyday lives -- in time for the bicentennial of the American Revolution.

## Burlington Opens Retirement Plan To Hourly Ranks

Burlington Industries, Inc., announced that hourly-paid employees will be eligible to participate in the company's retirement system, beginning Jan. 1, 1977.

This plan is a voluntary pension program, with both the company and employees contributing to it. Company contributions increase over the years, while employee contributions remain a fixed percentage of their pay. The program is designed to provide benefits upon retirement, death, disability or severance of employment. The same plan is already available to salaried employees.

Retirement system benefits will be in addition to a company-funded profit sharing retirement plan which Burlington initiated for hourly-paid employees in 1963. In 1974, the company also adopted a guaranteed base value severance plan which guarantees that an individual's benefits will be supplemented by the company if the value of his profit sharing account should drop below certain levels due to investment losses.

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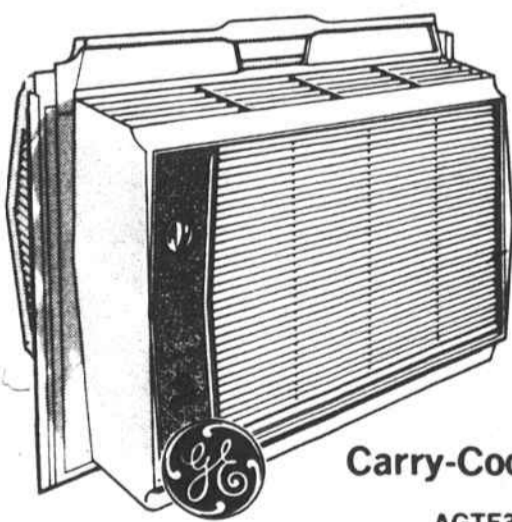
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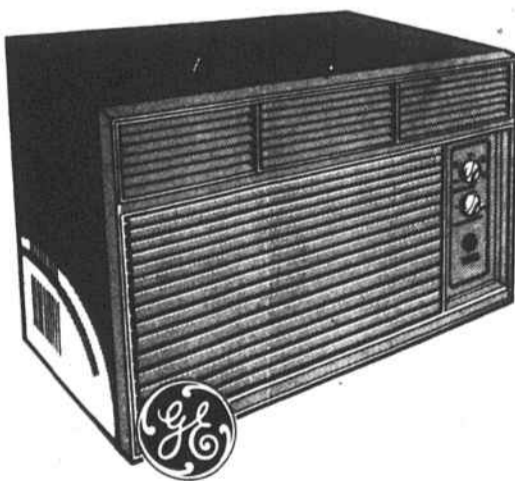
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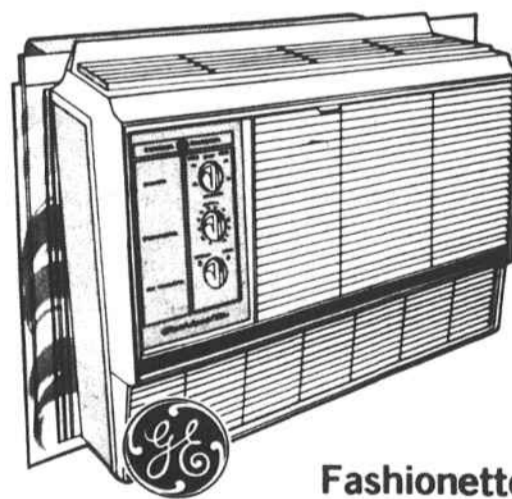


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