



**COLLISION** -- No injuries occurred when this vehicle collided with another car about noon Friday at Main St. and E. Donaldson Ave. Property damage to the cars was estimated at \$1,150.

## Deaths And Funerals

### Mrs. Mary Peterson

Mrs. Mary Peterson, 84, died Wednesday morning. Mrs. Peterson, the widow of A.D. Peterson, was a Hoke native and the daughter of the late Norman C. and Alice Wilson McLeod. Mrs. Peterson worked for The News-Journal under the late D. Scott Poole.

Funeral services are scheduled Thursday at 3 p.m. at Raeford Presbyterian Church with the Rev. John Ropp officiating. Burial is scheduled in Raeford Cemetery.

Surviving are four daughters, Mrs. O.L. Crowder, Mrs. Eugene Matherly and Mrs. William Smith of Raeford and Mrs. Edward Bundy of Fayetteville; 14 grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

The family will be at the home of Mrs. Eugene Matherly at 331 N. Magnolia St.

Lentz Mortuary is in charge of arrangements.

### Maggie F. McArthur

Funeral services for Mrs. Maggie Faircloth McArthur of Fayetteville were scheduled for Wednesday at 3 p.m. at the Camp Ground United Methodist Church. The Revs. Vassar W. Jones and M.W.

## Church News

Dr. Gary Copeland will speak at the 11 a.m. service at First Baptist Church, Dec. 5, in observance of the Week of Prayer for Foreign Missions. The program will include a slide presentation.

Dr. Copeland, a Fayetteville ophthalmologist, recently spent some time as a medical missionary in India.

The Hoke County Civic League sponsored "James Peterkin Appreciation Day" last Sunday at St. James United Church of God. Visiting minister was the Rev. J.L. Glenn, pastor of Freedom Chapel A.M.E. Zion Church.

Visiting choirs from five area churches provided special music. Peterkin is gospel music host on WSHB.

There will be a singing at the Church of God on Green St. Saturday night featuring the True-tones of Rockingham. Service will begin at 7:30 p.m. The public is invited to attend.

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By Jim Dean N.C. Wildlife Resources Commission

Some of the boys were standing around outside the store the other day drinking Orange Crushes and chewing Cannonball. The subject of dry weather quite naturally came up.

"You know, it's been so dry around here this summer that the last string of bluegills I caught had fleas," allowed one fellow.

"That's nothing," said another. "I had to dust off a fish the other day just to see what kind he was."

"Yeah, it's pretty bad all right," someone else said. "I haven't caught many fish in the lakes where I usually try my luck. The last time I looked at my favorite one, there wasn't enough water in there to make a good hog wallow. All the fish were sneezing. I think they had hay fever."

It has been a strange year. The Piedmont has been suffering through the worst drought in recorded history, and yet if you think back, parts of this past spring were uncommonly wet. One friend of mine swears that it got so wet on his farm that he was catching catfish in his rabbit boxes.

But it's different now, and as far as fishing goes, there's really not much you can do about dry weather. The water is low, clear and very warm, and the fish are just not in the mood to do much feeding. There are exceptions, of course.

One friend of mine has done fairly well by concentrating on a couple of ponds that are fed by strong springs. One of these ponds

is nearly bank full despite the drought, and he's caught some fish out of it. He claims that the ultra-clear water makes it difficult to take fish during strong daylight, but he's had pretty good luck in the early morning and late evening.

People who fish the larger lakes are not finding much action, and the same is true of stream and river fishing.

One friend of mine likes to wade Piedmont streams and small rivers this time of year, but he readily admits that it's been frustrating. I've had similar results fishing for mountain trout. The streams are so low and clear that the trout are inactive, especially during the daylight hours. Also, they can see you from such distances that it's difficult to put a fly over them.

There is one bright spot for stream fishermen, however. If you can arrange to be on the stream -- either a trout stream or bass and panfish stream -- during one of those rare showers, you can often experience fantastic fishing as the water rises and grows murky. Virtually all gamefish react favorably to the sudden influx of cool, oxygenated water. Also, food is washed into the stream and the fish go on a wild feeding spree.

Even so, the arrival of the first half of the dove season has been an exceedingly welcome event. It may be dry, dusty and hot in the fields, but I haven't heard much complaining. After all, it's darn hard to get good action on a bass plug when it's leaving a trail in the mud.



**CONSERVING** -- Mrs. Wanda Duddy of Hoke County believes in gardening and conserving food. She is shown picking up a canner at the Extension Home Economic Agents' office to can sweet potatoes as she had a surplus. She is moving in the right direction to cut the high cost of living.

## 'Skywatch' Program

The National Weather Service, in cooperation with the Hoke County Civil Preparedness Office, will present the course "Skywatch" on Tuesday, Dec. 7 at 7 p.m. in the main courtroom of the courthouse.

John McClain, chief meteorologist with the National Weather Service at Raleigh-Durham Airport, will be the instructor.

"Skywatch" is designed to train observers in recognizing cloud patterns and sky conditions which may mean tornadoes or other severe weather. Although the

course is primarily for emergency services personnel, the public is welcome. The program is free.

Slides will be presented to illustrate the instruction. The program has been put on to groups throughout the state as a service of the National Weather Service and the N.C. Office of Civil Preparedness.

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## Pennsylvania Newest Member In Traffic Violator Agreement

Edward L. Powell, Commissioner of Motor Vehicles, announced Monday that Pennsylvania has recently joined the NON-RESIDENT VIOLATOR COMPACT. With the addition of Pennsylvania, it is now possible to drive from North Carolina up the Atlantic States through New Jersey without having to post a cash bond for minor traffic violations.

This Compact provides that if a resident of the other member states receive a traffic citation and the violation would not result in a mandatory suspension or revoca-

tion of the individual's driver license, the non-resident may be given a citation and released on his own recognizance instead of being required to post collateral or bond.

The member states of the Compact now are North Carolina, Virginia, District of Columbia, Maryland, Delaware, Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Louisiana.

A resident of any of the states participating in this Compact agreement who receives a citation in a member state and fails to abide by the citation will have his driver license suspended by the home state until he complies with the terms of the citation.

Commissioner Powell said "In this modern era the traveling motorist often carries little cash and his credit is not acceptable in another state. In many instances he is required to spend time in jail until cash for bond can be obtained."

"North Carolina has found the Non-Resident Violator Compact to be of tremendous benefit not only to our residents but to the residents of the other jurisdictions who are members. It saves the motoring public considerable time and often eliminates embarrassment to them for failure to have adequate funds to post bond," he said.

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