



COUNCIL TAKES OATH -- The five members of the Raeford City Council were administered the oath of office by Hoke County Clerk of Court Juanita Edmund at the board's regular meeting Monday night. Left to right, the councilmen are: Bobby Gentry, Sam Morris, Graham Clark, Benny McLeod, and newcomer Vardell Hedgpeth. The board members were elected on Nov. 8.



MAYOR SWORN IN -- Raeford Mayor J.K. McNeill, Jr. takes the oath of office from Hoke County Clerk of Court Juanita Edmund in a ceremony held at the city council's regular meeting Monday night. The mayor was elected to a fifth term in the Nov. 8 municipal elections. He ran unopposed.

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see how other towns deal with the problem.

The board voted to have a classification study done to determine what local industries are paying for positions comparable to those held by city employees. The study will cost between \$400 and \$450, the council was told.

The board was informed by the city manager that it will cost between \$7,000 and \$8,000 to pave, curb and gutter and light the new city parking lot between Elwood Ave. and Edinborough Ave.

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Deaths And Funerals

L.A. Lentz, Jr.
L.A. Lentz, Jr., 78, of 1112 W. Garner Road in Garner, formerly of Raeford, died Sunday. He was a retired vice president of North Carolina National Bank.

A native of Stanly County, Lentz worked in banks in St. Pauls and Red Springs in Robeson County and in Fayetteville before moving to Raleigh.

In 1936, he helped organize the Raleigh Industrial Bank and served as its vice president and cashier until 1946. That year it became a full commercial bank and Lentz was elected president.

In 1952, the bank changed its name to First National Bank of Raleigh and Lentz was named chairman of the board. Through a series of mergers, the bank became part of NCNB.

He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Sally Mitchner Lentz; son L.A. Lentz, III of Raleigh; stepson, John C. Broughton of Raleigh; sister, Mrs. Ollie Bennett of Charlotte; and two grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at 3 p.m. Monday at the Brown-Wynne Funeral Home chapel in Raleigh. Burial was in Montlawn Memorial Park.

Mrs. Mary Davis Graham

Mrs. Mary Davis Graham, 84, of 608 Columbia Ave., Lumberton, died Nov. 29 in Highland House Nursing Home in Fayetteville after an extended illness.

Funeral services were conducted Dec. 1 at the East Lumberton Baptist Church, with Rev. Norman A. Wheeler and Rev. William H. Ginn officiating. Burial was in the New Hollywood Cemetery.

She is survived by four sons, Paul Graham of Lumberton, Charles of Southern Pines, Sgt. John Graham USAF of Charleston, and Starr of Springfield; eight daughters, Mrs. Eula Tate, Mrs. Felix Phillips and Mrs. Harry Dew of Raeford, Mrs. Sadie Tyler of Lumberton, Mrs. John Averitt of Fayetteville, Mrs. James Phillips of Lumberton, Mrs. John Hinson and Mrs. Robert Marks of Beaufort; two sisters, Mrs. Ela Suggs and Mrs. Mattie Taylor of St. Pauls; 48 grandchildren; and 61 great-grandchildren.

Emanuel Love

Emanuel Love, 67, of Raeford, died Nov. 28. Funeral services were held Dec. 4 at Piney Grove Missionary Baptist Church by Dr. Roosevelt Holmes. Interment was at Silver Grove Cemetery.

Surviving are his father, M.L. Love of Raeford; four sisters, Mrs. Bertha Bratcher and Mrs. Callie Buie, both of Raeford; Mrs. Maggie Reid of Brooklyn, N.Y. and Mrs. Hattie Galbreth of Bridgeport, Conn.; one brother, Daniel Love of Long Island, New York; two brothers-in-law, one sister-in-law, six nieces, 11 nephews, 40 great nieces and nephews.

Pallbearers included Spencer Morris, Mann McCall, Walter Blue, E.J. Hollingsworth, Wendall Singletary and John Bratcher.

Health Agency Application Placed On Public View

Cardinal Health Agency's proposed application for full designation as a health systems agency was placed on public view for 30 days following a public meeting in Lumberton on Nov. 30.

Final approval of the agency's Annual Implementation Plan was postponed by the Cardinal board pending review by the Department of Health, Education and Welfare (DHEW) Region IV office in Atlanta.

In other business, the board approved a \$1.28 million addition to Southeastern General Hospital here, extended the approvals given in 1976 for construction on two nursing home projects in Cumberland County, and endorsed the concept of a pilot comprehensive stroke center program sponsored by the North Carolina Heart Association.

Cardinal has been conditionally designated by DHEW since July, 1976. The agency has been reviewing capital expenditure projects for health care to determine if they qualify for reimbursement under Medicare and Medicaid. Cardinal recommendations presently go on to state and federal officials for final action.

When Cardinal becomes fully designated, the board will have final review authority as well as planning and development responsibilities.

The application for full designation will be available for public examination in the Cardinal office, 202 West 27th Street, Lumberton, through December. Citizen comments in writing are invited, especially on the qualifications and composition of the board of directors.

The National Health Planning and Resources Development Act of 1974 requires the Cardinal board to have a majority of health care consumers plus at least 40 percent health care providers representing physicians, institutions, health insurers and others. There must also

be public officials on the board.

The Cardinal board may revise the application in the light of comments received when it considers approving the application for submission to DHEW in Jan. 1978.

The Annual Implementation Plan will become a part of the application when it is approved by the board. The long-range Health Systems Plan, already adopted, is also a part of the application.

Southeastern General Hospital has plans to construct a four-story building to house the purchasing and data processing departments, air conditioning and electrical equipment and some 26,000 square feet of general and specialized storage.

Section 1122 of the Social Security Act requires that such projects be reviewed if any part of the expenditure is to be reimbursed under Medicare and Medicaid. The purpose is to insure that federal funds are not used to support unnecessary expenditures for health care equipment of facilities.

The new owners of Whispering Pines Nursing Home in Fayetteville and proponents of a new facility in Cumberland County, called Bethesda Nursing Home, gained Section 1122 approval in Nov. Approval is for one year. The board gave both sponsors an additional 90 days to get their projects underway.

The N.C. Heart Association made a formal presentation to the Cardinal board in October, seeking endorsement of a pilot program concept to attack the high incidence of cerebrovascular disease (stroke) in the area. The association anticipates that the program would be funded by DHEW.

Cardinal's health service area is composed of 15 southeastern North Carolina counties, from Pender, New Hanover and Brunswick on the coast to Anson and Montgomery in the west and including Moore, Harnett and Sampson counties to the north.

The National Health Planning

and Resources Development Act of 1974 has effected the establishment of more than 200 health systems agencies like Cardinal across the country. There are six in North Carolina.

Each is funded by DHEW. Each has a local governing body with a majority of health care consumers in the membership.

All meetings of the Cardinal board and its committees are open to the public. The board will meet at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 4, 1978 to take final action on the full designation application and the Annual Implementation Plan.

LEGALS

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS TWO-WAY RADIO COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT

Pursuant to G.S. 143-129, sealed proposals endorsed "Two-Way Radio Communications Equipment" to be furnished to the City of Raeford Fire Department, Raeford, North Carolina, until 2:00 p.m. on December 19, 1977, at which time they will be publicly opened and read. Instructions for submitting bids and complete specifications for the equipment, supplies, or services desired may be obtained at the office of the City Manager during regular office hours. The City Reserves the right to reject any and all proposals.

Robert G. Drumwright
City Manager

NOTE: 5% Bid deposit Requirements - G.S. 143-129. 32C

NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA HOKE COUNTY IN THE DISTRICT COURT
CAROLYN S. OVERTON, Plaintiff

HAROLD T. OVERTON, Defendant

TAKE NOTICE that a pleading seeking relief against you has been filed in the above entitled action. The nature of the relief being sought is as follows:

Absolute divorce on the grounds of more than one (1) year separation.

You are required to make defense to such pleading not later than the 20th day of January, 1978, and upon your failure to do so the party seeking service against you will apply to the Court for the relief sought.

This the 8 day of December, 1977.

R. PALMER WILLCOX,
Attorney for Plaintiff
P.O. Box 126

Raeford, North Carolina 28376
WILLCOX & McFADYEN
Attorneys at Law
Raeford, N.C. 32-34C

CREDITOR'S NOTICE NORTH CAROLINA HOKE COUNTY

The undersigned, having qualified as Executrix of the Estate of Glenn W. Wood, deceased, late of Hoke County, this is to notify all persons having claims against said Estate to present them to the undersigned on or before the 17th day of May, 1978, or this Notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All person indebted to said Estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned.

This, the 17th day of November, 1977.

Lillian C. Wood
Center Drive
Raeford, North Carolina 28376

MOSES, DIEHL & PATE, P.A.,
Attorneys
127 W. Edinborough Avenue
Raeford, North Carolina 28376
29-32C

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE IN THE GENERAL COURT OF JUSTICE SUPERIOR COURT DIVISION STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA HOKE COUNTY

Having qualified as Executrix of the estate of T.B. Lester, Jr. of Hoke County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said T.B. Lester, Jr. to present them to the undersigned within 6 months from date of the publication of this notice or same will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate please make immediate payment.

This the 14th day of November, 1977.

Lorena A. Lester
Donaldson Ave.,
Raeford, N.C. 28376
29-32C



DECORATING -- The ladies in Clerk of Superior Court's office are getting the Christmas spirit. Putting the final touches on the tree are (left to right) Evelyn McMillan, Sarah Hodges and Marie McNeill.

Library News

BOOKMOBILE SCHEDULE

Dec. 12

ARABIA -- Shirley Maxwell, Isabelle Maxwell, Mrs. Crawley, Bertha Hendrix, Lib Harris, Betty Lou McGougan, Gerald Scriven, Aretha Lee Ray, Lillian White, Helen Standley, Kenneth Bissett, Bonnie Cline, La Ronda Seado, Alice Evens, Gail Watson, Carylton Oxendine, Jamie Branscomb, Ellen Jane Stevens, Shiela Felder, Bonny Henry, Clara E. Gleason, Sabrina Ann Lukehart

Dec. 14

TRAILER PARKS -- Helen Williams, Nadine Wadsworth, Brenda Tillman, Marlene Russie, Edna Couey, Janice Jones, Cynthia Hardman, Christine Vigar, Angela

Hammonds, Janet Vance, Rachel Hamm, Barbara Trout, Doris Boahn, Tammy Boahn, Martha Moye, Tony Barefoot, Joyce Blackburn, Merrijo Shaffer, Peggy Lynn Cokle, Alford Patterson.

The following is a list of the new books received this week by the Sandhill Regional Library System and distributed among member county libraries. They may be requested from the Hoke County Library and its bookmobile.

FICTION:

"The Sunset Gang" by Warren Adler;
"Winning" by Robin Brancato;
"The Ice Age" by Margaret Drabble;
"Villas Rifles" by Lewis Patten;
"Nobody's Perfect" by Donald E. Westlake.

FACT:

"Small Blessings" by Celestine Sibley;
"1977 Medical and Health Annual";
"Climates of Hunger" by Reid A. Bryson;
"Feeling Fine" by Art Ulene;
"Heavy Equipment Repair" by Herbert L. Nichols;
"The Do-It-Yourself Custom Van Book" by Franklynn Peterson;

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