

Area Incidents

Driver Suffers Heart Attack

A 75-year-old Kernersville man suffered an apparent heart attack Tuesday afternoon and died behind the wheel of his pickup truck on Highway 211 East about nine miles from Raeford, according to the Hoke County Sheriff's Department.

Benjamin Cyrus Michael, 75, of 906 Tulane Rd., Kernersville, died about 2:15 Tuesday afternoon as he and his wife were on their way to the coast, authorities said.

According to the report, Michael had a history of heart trouble. The couple had been in a minor accident in another county earlier in the day, and his wife said that it had upset him, deputies reported.

He suffered the attack behind the wheel and ran off onto the shoulder of the road. His wife was not injured in the accident, according to the report.

Deputies reported a number of arrests during the last week.

Rosa Gay Flowers, 38, was charged with possessing beer and liquor for the purpose of sale on Dec. 11, according to a report. Deputies said they acted on a tip that alcoholic beverages were being sold illegally at the South Hoke Shell Grill, Pool Room and Barbecue. As a result of the information, a search warrant was obtained. Deputies said that they confiscated bottles of vodka and gin and cans of beer in the raid.

James Robert Sturdivant, 20, was charged with arson stemming from a trailer fire that occurred on Dec. 10, according to reports. Deputies said the Sturdivant set his wife's

bedroom on fire after a domestic argument. She was not in the trailer at the time, the report said. The trailer was located on Highway 401 South.

Johnny E. McLaughlin was charged with the Dec. 12 theft of carpenter tools from a house in Cameron Village in Red Springs, deputies said. Alton Pittman of Red Springs notified officers that his tools, valued at \$299, had been taken from a home that he was remodeling.

Raymond Jones, Rt. 4, Raeford, was charged with first degree burglary for allegedly breaking into a Rt. 1, Raeford apartment occupied by Mrs. Rosa Lee Ferguson on Dec. 10, according to a report. Nothing was taken in the break-in.

W.G. Wright, Rt. 2, Raeford, reported the theft of \$1,700 in carpeting from two new homes being built at Dundee Farms. The theft occurred on Dec. 12, according to the report. Windows in the homes were opened, deputies said.

Lonzo H. Robinson, of St. Pauls, was charged with common law robbery stemming from an incident that happened on Dec. 9, deputies said. Kenneth Hill, also of St. Pauls, told deputies that Robinson put a knife to his throat and took \$21, a coat and his eyeglasses from him.

Deputies were called to the Rt. 2 home of Robert William Posey on Dec. 9 by Dr. Riley Jordan, who said that Posey, 72, had died from a gunshot wound that had apparently been self-inflicted, according to a report. Deputies said that a note to that effect was found. No

foul play was reported. The death was ruled an apparent suicide.

Buddy Blue, Rt. 4, Raeford, reported on Dec. 7 that a chainsaw worth \$350 had been taken from his carport.

Ardel Sturdivant, 39, and George Moore, 37, were charged with the Dec. 5 armed robbery of Miles Jones, 205 Bethel Road, deputies said. Jones said he asked the two for a ride, and after making several stops, Sturdivant took a shotgun from the car, pointed it at him and told him to empty his pockets onto the trunk. He said Sturdivant told him to hit the woods or he'd kill him. After the two had left, Jones contacted deputies.

Ronnie Blue and Kenneth McDonald were charged with assault with a deadly weapon in connection with an incident that happened on Dec. 1, according to a report. Benjamin Bratcher of Raeford told authorities that he and Blue had an argument, and later, as he was going into a house, Bratcher said a shotgun went off, with the pellets hitting in front and around him.

In the city, police received a call from the A&P supermarket Dec. 8 at approximately 2:30 p.m. John M. Breeden, P.O. Box 402, Raeford, was charged with shoplifting a carton of cigarettes and placed under a \$50 bond, according to police reports.

Sandra Sayer, 204 Adams St., Raeford, told police that between Dec. 1 and Dec. 8, two pieces of jewelry disappeared from her home. There was no sign of breaking and entering, police said. Missing were a gold locket engraved with the initials S.L.S. and a date, 9-19-74 and a gold watch and chain engraved with Cleo. The locket was valued at approximately \$25 and the watch at approximately \$250.

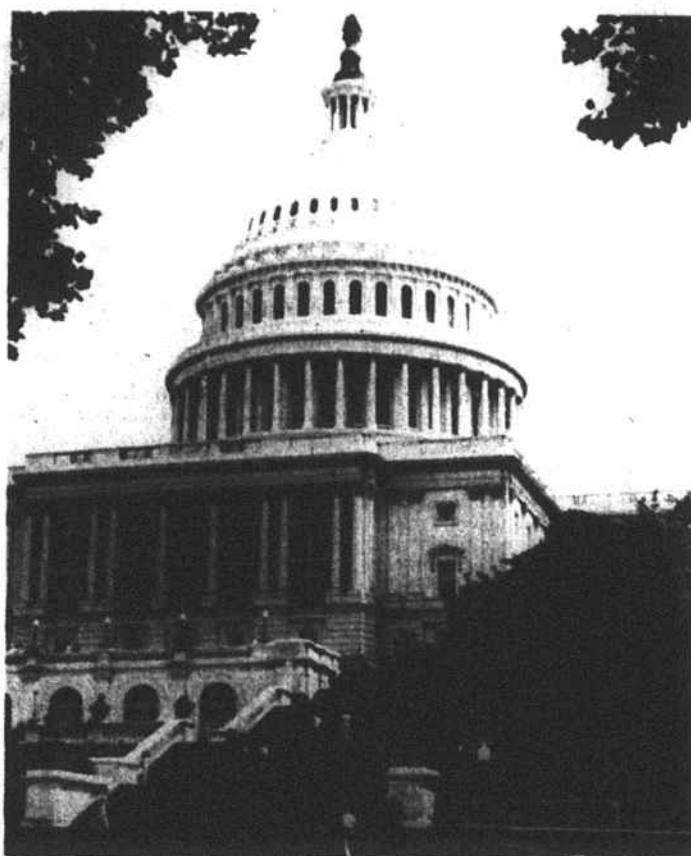
On Dec. 11, police received a call from Mack's department store reporting a shoplifter. Officers said that Laura Ann Jacobs, 16, Rt. 1 Box 204B, Shannon, was charged with shoplifting two pairs of shoe liners valued at \$1.18. She was released on her own recognizance and trial was set for Dec. 30.

Police report an accident involving two cars Dec. 6 at the intersection of Edenborough and Magnolia Streets, Carolyn Counts, 31, Fayetteville, failed to stop her 1970 Gremlin at the intersection. She reportedly struck a 1977 Chevrolet station wagon driven by Elga Langdon, 38, 1116 Magnolia St., Raeford. Damage to the Langdon vehicle was estimated at \$1500 while damages to the Counts car were set at \$1200. There were no injuries. Counts was charged with failure to yield right of way to a stop sign, police said.

Kinlaw's jewelry store, Main St., Raeford, reported to police the theft of a display box of rings valued at \$2800. According to police reports, a black woman entered the store and removed the box, containing five rings, from the showcase. No arrests have been made.

Police investigated a two-car accident Dec. 8 at 4:30 p.m. Brenda Sue Hendrix, 17, 410 West 6th St., Raeford, incurred approximately \$50 in damages to her 1971 Matador station wagon when Richard Houston Jones, 17, 840 E. Donaldson Ave., Raeford, failed to stop at the intersection of Elwood and Magnolia. Jones told officers that his brakes failed when he approached the stop sign. Damage to the Jones vehicle was estimated at \$50. Jones was charged with failing to yield right of way at a stop sign, according to the report. There were no injuries.

Police report a two-vehicle accident on Dec. 8 at approximately 10:45 p.m. Sampson Simmons, Sr., 47, Bennettsville, S.C., was in the left lane using his right turn signal, attempting to make a right turn, in his 1968 Mack truck. Nadine Dobbins Ellerbe, 29, Rt. 3 Box 367, Raeford, pulled up on the right side of the truck. She told officers that she thought the truck was flashing a left turn signal. The truck struck her 1964 Chevrolet, causing approximately \$125 in damages. The truck was not damaged and there were no injuries. Ellerbe was charged with an unsafe movement violation, police said.



RAEFORD PHOTOGRAPHER HONORED -- This photo by Debbie McNeill of Raeford has been chosen to represent North Carolina in the fourth annual National 4-H Photo Exhibit sponsored by Eastman Kodak Company.

McNeill Photo To Be Exhibited

A photograph by Debbie McNeill, 811 E. Donaldson, Raeford, has been chosen to represent North Carolina in the fourth annual National 4-H Photo Exhibit sponsored by Eastman Kodak Company.

Make up of no more than four pictures from each state, the exhibit was first shown at the annual 4-H Congress in Chicago, Nov. 27-Dec. 2, and later will be on display at the National 4-H Center in Washington, D.C.

The 4-H'er is represented by her exhibit photo entitled, "Roots to Grow From." Miss McNeill is a state winner in the 4-H photography project this year and as such attended the national 4-H Congress in Chicago as the guest of Eastman Kodak Company, project donor.

Hoke Literacy Group Meet

A literacy meeting was held in the Hoke County Library Dec. 9.

Those present represented some of the agencies whose clients could potentially benefit from having a greater proficiency in reading and some of the people who have been involved in the literacy movement in the county.

Attending were Ellen Willis, Hoke agricultural extension agent; Reba Holmes, VISTA volunteer in literacy for Hoke County; Ann Pittman, outreach worker in literacy for Red Springs; Cathy Rudecki, Hoke County Mental Health Center; Sallie Lou Davis, chore worker for Senior Citizens; Nina A. Morrissy, center supervisor for Cameron Heights Community Center, sponsored by Four County Community Action; Jean L. Wilson of Raeford Methodist Church; Anne Hostetler, a member of the Board of Trustees of the Hoke County Library; Hoke County Arts Council, and Raeford First Baptist Church; Pam Williams, Hoke County Consultant for the Sandhill Regional Library; Bill Cadle and Rev. Bob Mangum, Robeson County Church and Community Center and Robeson County Library; Eva Jacobs, Center Supervisor for South Hoke Community Center, sponsored by Four County Community Action; Jackie Prevatte, doctor's X-Ray technician who tutors four students at McCain Prison in literacy; Alex Wilson, director Scotland County Literacy Council and a VISTA Volunteer in Literacy; and Sally Migliore, also of the Scotland County Literacy Council.

Plans were made for the formation of an active and viable Literacy Council for Hoke County.

Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus will be at Lundy's Shoe Shop Saturday 9 until 9:30 A.M.

INTERESTING FACTS

Here are two oddities about the men who invented the telephone and the telegraph.

It seems hard to believe, but the man who invented the telephone, Alexander Graham Bell, found telephones so annoying later in his life that he had his own phone removed from his home!

And the man who invented the telegraph, Samuel Morse, was originally an artist, painting portraits. He did not give up painting till he was 46 years old. Only then did he turn to inventing and developed the telegraph seven years later.

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When Should You Seek Medical Aid?

All of us are now and then faced with a quick decision: should we, or shouldn't we see the doctor?

The American Medical Association lists several points for consideration as a general guide to help you decide whether medical aid should be sought at once --

*When your complaint or symptoms are too severe to be endured, such as abdominal pain common to a gall bladder attack or appendicitis or kidney colic, or sudden chest pains. Immediate relief of pain is the purpose of getting the patient to the doctor without delay.

*When an apparently minor symptom persists for more than a few days or a week, and does not appear to be due to some easily identified cause. A nose bleed from a sharp blow is one thing; a nose that bleeds constantly or frequently for no apparent reason is quite a different matter.

*When the symptom returns repeatedly for no readily apparent cause. Digestive disturbances due to overindulgence are one thing; constant digestive distress despite great care and moderation in eating is another.

*When in doubt, it is safer to call the doctor than to take a chance.

Many accidents around the home or yard cause bruises and scratches and minor sprains that can be successfully treated at home. But some accidents require fast medical attention.

If the accident victim is unconscious, get help fast. Also when bleeding is severe or cannot be controlled; when the victim is groggy or confused; when there are signs of shock, such as pale, cold skin, sweating and weak pulse.

Breathlessness or intensive thirst after the accident require medical attention. If there is a possible broken bone, seek help. Also for severe pain, signs of poisoning, serious burns, persistent vomiting, blurred vision.

A. A. Meetings
Wed. 8 p.m.
Nursing Home
Dining Room

TOWN & COUNTRY Cinema 1&2
Town & Country Shopping Center
944-1198
Between Aberdeen & So. Pines
Thursday Dec. 15 - Last Day
Action Packed
"ACES HIGH" (PG)
3:20 - 7:15 - 9:05
Starting Friday 12/16
A Gigantic Thriller!
"BLACK SUNDAY" (R)
3:00 - 7:15 - 9:15
Sat. - Sun. 1:15-3:15-7:15-9:15

CINEMA 2
Thursday 12/15 - Last Day
A Terrifying Picture
"DEMON WITCH CHILD" (R)
3:20 - 7:15 - 9:05
Starting Friday 12/16
Back By Popular Demand
"THE DEEP" (PG)
3:10 - 7:05 - 9:10
Sat. - Sun. 1:15-3:20-7:05-9:10

SUNRISE
THURSDAY 12/15 - Last Day
"ROLLING THUNDER" (R)
7:15 - 9:05
Starting Friday 12/16
Muhammad Ali in
"THE GREATEST" (PG)
Shows - 7:15 & 9:05
Sat. - Sun. - 3:20-7:15-9:05

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