

Area Incidents

Deputies Investigate Area Thefts

Deputies of the Hoke County Sheriff's Department investigated a number of thefts in the area over the past week.

Mike McNeill, Rt. 1, Raeford, reported the theft of a 12-foot fishing boat from his pond on Dec. 14. The boat was valued at \$214.

Two break-ins were reported at the Department of Transportation building on Rt. 3. The first occurred on Dec. 12 and the second was on the 14th.

On the 14th, \$19 in change and soft drinks was taken from a drink machine and a snack machine in the building. Two five gallon cans of kerosene, worth \$28, were taken on the 12th.

Mrs. Essie Mae Virgil, Rt. 2, Raeford, reported the theft of a wallet from her car on Dec. 7. The wallet contained \$160, she told deputies. She left it in the car while it was parked at her daughter's home. She was only gone five minutes, the report said.

On Dec. 18, while deputies were in the process of serving an arrest warrant, they found a car that had reportedly been stolen from a man

in Asheboro. The car belonged to John Clyde McKinney of Asheboro and was taken to a local body shop for safekeeping until he could pick it up.

A railroad tool shop on Highway 211 at West Ashley Heights was entered on Dec. 15 and three track jacks, worth \$300, were taken. The jacks were the property of the Aberdeen and Rockfish Railroad. The back door of the shop had been forced open, deputies said.

Willie Bullard, Rt. 4, Red Springs, reported on Dec. 17 that two wheels worth \$180 had been taken off the back of his truck while it was in his back yard.

On Dec. 15, Dannie Kelly of Aberdeen reported that \$570 in lumber, felt and shingles had been taken from a worksite in Hoke County. It was the second time materials have been taken from the site, deputies said.

A digital watch and an electric razor were reportedly taken from the home of James Peterkin, Rt. 1, Raeford, while he was at work on Dec. 18.

Leslie McMillian, Rt. 3, Rae-

ford, reported on Dec. 17th that a steam iron and a chain saw were taken from his home. The back door had been forced open, according to the report. The items were valued at \$135.

Roy Locklear, Rt. 3, Raeford, reported on Dec. 12 the theft of two batteries from trucks parked in his yard. The batteries were worth \$100.

Kenneth P. Ritter, Rt. 2, Raeford, reported Dec. 13 that a tire and mag wheel, worth \$60, were taken off his car while it was parked in his front yard.

An AM-FM radio was reportedly stolen from the home of Crawford Davis, 1213 Bethune Ave., Raeford, on Dec. 19. Entry was gained through a back door, officers said. The radio was valued at \$100.

In the city, police report a three-car collision that occurred Dec. 15 at 7:30 a.m. at the intersection of Patterson St. and 401 Business.

Rebecca Thomas, 32, 111D Patterson St., Raeford, was coming from Patterson St. onto Highway 401 Business. She failed to see

James Thomas Smith, 28, Rt. 4 Box 1817, Raeford, who was traveling toward Raeford on Highway 401, and pulled out in front of the Smith vehicle. His 1968 Chevrolet struck her 1976 Chevrolet station wagon.

Richard Thomas Odom, 31, P.O. Box 651, Raeford, was traveling east on Highway 401 in a 1973 Ford truck. When he swerved to avoid the accident, a conveyor belt he was towing swayed and broke lose from the bumper of the truck causing an estimated \$2,000 damage to the conveyor belt and \$125 damage to the truck, police said.

Damage was estimated at \$975 to the station wagon driven by Mrs. Thomas. The Odom vehicle received an estimated \$175 in damages.

Mrs. Thomas was charged with an unsafe movement violation, according to police reports.

Police received a call from Leonard Calloway, Raeford, at 7:39 a.m. He reported that he thought he had located a car that struck his vehicle at Burlington Industries on Dec. 16. The matter is still under investigation.

Don Steed reported to police Dec. 15 that the teacher's lounge at Hoke High School had been entered and the cracker machine tampered with. There were no signs of breaking and entering, although police say someone may have entered through an open window.

There was no money in the machine and an un-estimated amount of damage was done to the machine.

Police received a report from James Jones of the Sheriff's Department about a breaking and entering at Hoke High School. Police investigated and found that someone had removed the glass from the kitchen door and entered the lunchroom. Although nothing had been reported missing as of Monday afternoon, a 55 pound box of hamburger had been removed from the freezer and placed on a table. The meat was still frozen when the breaking and entering was discovered.

John Pecora, Box 149, Raeford, reported to police on Dec. 17 that a hub cap had been taken from the car his wife had driven to work Dec. 9. The car was parked behind Howell Drug Co. when the theft occurred. Value of the hub cap was unknown.

Police received a call from Ronnie Tatum, 714 N. Stewart St., Raeford, on Dec. 16. He reported that someone had cut his T.V. antenna lead-in wire between 10 a.m. and 3:30 p.m.

Bob Gentry reported to police that someone attempted to break in to his coin operated gas pump box located at Gentry's Tire Service, South Main St., Raeford. Although no cash was taken, an undetermined amount of damage was done to the gas pump box.



Gift Idea:

Making home-made goodies? Whatever your budget, you can find an appropriate aluminum utensil in a marvelous range of colors to package with your sweets. You might also look for non-stick coatings and spare your recipient messy clean-up chores. Your gift will not only reflect your personal attention, but also your thoughtfulness.

If your budget permits, you can even select an electric aluminum utensil. Put your home-made goodies in it, package it with a dash of flair, and it's a very personal, meaningful gift. You can even attach your recipe for added interest.

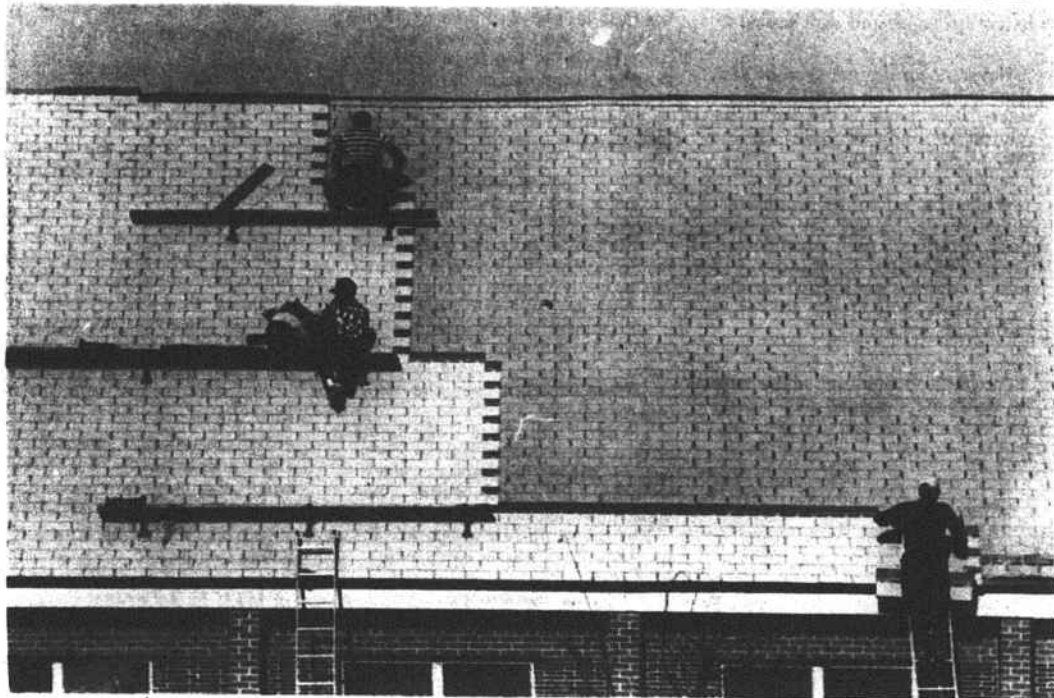
Decorative Idea:

For the feeling of Christmas without the hassle of a Christmas tree, apply your Christmas decorations directly to a room divider. Use masking tape to attach the decorations to a painted surface, or apply a cloth covering over the divider and attach ornaments directly to it.

Gift Idea:

Books can be welcome holiday gifts for both lazy and avid readers. Those who frequently read out of habit or hobby will certainly enjoy a good novel or biography.

Other, more non-enthusiastic readers will appreciate a book which is hobby or photographically oriented.



ROOFTOP PATTERN -- Workmen shingling the roof of the St. Elizabeth of Hungary Catholic Church on Highway 401 here Monday created a geometric pattern as they worked suggestive of modern art. Skies were clear Monday after a weekend of rainy weather, but the clouds returned Tuesday, and it looked like the church was getting its new roof just in time.

LEGALS

forementioned Rural Paved Road No. 1413, North 14 degrees 00 minutes West 535 feet to an iron, said iron being 60 feet from the Southern line of Tract No. 1 of the Hair Property, and running from said iron South 88 degrees 00 minutes 600 feet to an iron, a new corner; thence South 2 degrees 00 minutes East 705 feet to an iron, a new corner; thence North 76 degrees 00 minutes West 450 feet, more or less, to an iron; thence North 26 degrees 30 minutes West 122 feet to an iron in the Eastern edge of the aforementioned Rural Paved Road, the point of BEGINNING, and containing eight (8) acres See Book 181, Page 49, and Book 149, Page 562 of Hoke County Registry.

TRACT NO 11: BEGINNING at the Southeast corner of that eight (8) acre tract heretofore conveyed by D. & M. Construction Company, Inc. of Raeford to Chester Paul Robinson and wife, Helga Ella Robinson by Deed recorded in Book 149, Page 562 of Hoke County Registry, and runs thence S 2-00 E 62.5 feet to a corner in the line of Lot No. 4 of the W.M. Hair Property as it appears on that plat prepared by R.H. Gatlin, R.S., dated June 6, 1968, and entitled "Property of Mrs. Lois Hair Long, Hoke County, N.C." and runs thence as and with the said line N 76-00 W approximately 414 feet to a point, a corner; thence N 26-30 W approximately 78 feet to a corner, which is also the Southwest corner of that tract described in Book 149, Page 562, and runs thence as and with the South line of said tract, S 76-00 E 450 feet to the point of BEGINNING, and containing .60 acre, more or less, and being a 60 foot wide strip adjoining the south margin of that tract described in Book 149, Page 562, Hoke County Registry. See Book 169, at Page 598.

This conveyance is made subject to a Deed of Trust to Cape Fear Bank & Trust Company, recorded in Book 193, at Page 273, and any other prior liens that would appear of record, if any.

CASH DEPOSITS: Ten per cent (10%) on the first \$1,000.00 and five per cent (5%) on any additional amount bid will be required at the date of the sale.

Done, this the 6 day of Dec., 1977.

CHARLES A. HOSTETLER, TRUSTEE
HOSTETLER & McNEILL
ATTORNEYS AT LAW
RAEFORD, N.C.

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NOTICE

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development recently approved \$200,000.00 in Community Development Block Grant Funds to be used in rehabilitating sub-standard homes located in the North Raeford and Tylertown areas.

All work will be done through contract agreement between the County of Hoke and bidding contractors.

The Contractor will abide by Federal and Local regulations pertaining to Equal Employment.

The Contractor will furnish evidence to the County of Hoke proof of adequate comprehensive liability insurance to include property damage.

Information pertaining to bid dates, places, and time may be obtained by contacting Bill Altman, Program Coordinator, at his office located in the Courthouse Annex building, or by calling 875-5050.

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

v. HAROLD T. OVERTON, Defendant

TO HAROLD T. OVERTON:

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.

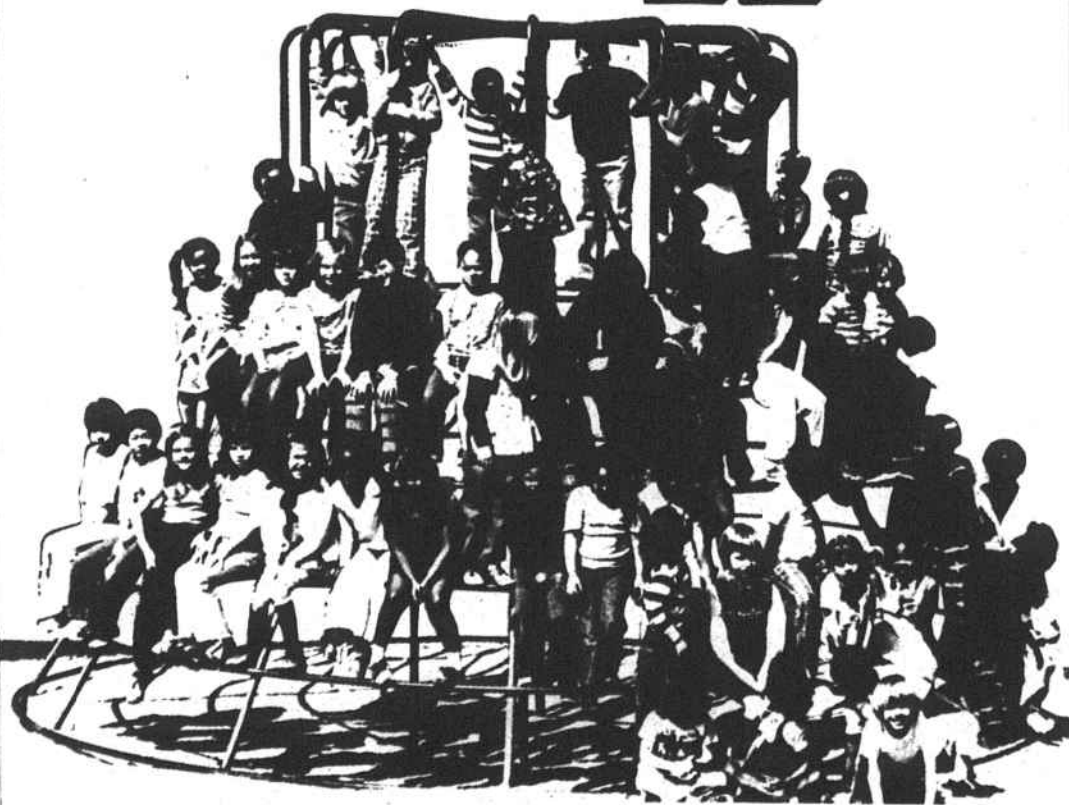
This the 8 day of December, 1977.

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

Raeford, North Carolina 28376 WILLCOX & McFADYEN Attorneys At Law Raeford, N.C.

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JUST 55 REASONS TO DRIVE 55



Motor vehicle accidents are the leading cause of death of young people ages 1 to 24. Since the 55 mph speed limit became law in 1974, many factors have combined to cause a significant drop in these senseless highway fatalities.

The lowered speed limit placed North Carolina drivers in a smoother, safer traffic flow, while allowing greater control over the vehicle and additional precious time to react.

Yet North Carolina drivers are still speeding. So the N.C. Highway Patrol reminds us that 55 mph is the law and it is enforced.



A public service of this publication and the North Carolina Highway Patrol. Prepared by the University of North Carolina Highway Safety Research Center.

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CREDITOR'S NOTICE

Having qualified as Administratrix CTA of the estate of Sadie B. Guy, 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 June 22, 1978 or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned.

This the 22 day of December, 1977
Mildred G. Dunn, Administratrix
303 Bethune Ave., Raeford, N.C.
Hostetler & McNeill
Attorneys-at-Law
Raeford, N.C. 28376

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NOTICE OF SALE NORTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF HOKE

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain Deed of Trust executed by CHESTER P. ROBINSON, separated to CHARLES A. HOSTETLER, Trustee, dated the 30th day of November 1976, and recorded in Book 195, Page 657 in the Office of the Register of Deeds of Hoke County, North Carolina, and default having been made in the payment of the indebtedness thereby secured and said Deed of Trust being by the terms thereof subject to foreclosure, the undersigned Trustee will offer for sale at public auction to the highest bidder for cash at the courthouse door in Raeford, North Carolina, at 12:00 o'clock Noon on the 28th day of December, 1977, property conveyed by said Deed of Trust, the same lying and being in the County of Hoke, State of North Carolina, McLaughlin Township, and more particularly described as follows:

TRACT NO. 1: BEGINNING at an iron stake in the Eastern edge of Rural Paved Road No. 1413, said stake being North 26 degrees 30 minutes West approximately 200 feet from the Southwest corner of Tract No. 3 of the Hair Property according to Deed recorded in Book 29, Page 328 of the Hoke County Registry, said point also being the Southern terminus of the highway frontage of said tract, and running from the beginning point as and with the Eastern edge of the