

Rockfish News

by Patricia Clark Holt

Mrs. Neda Williams and Mrs. Ann Gibson were dinner guests of the Rev. and Mrs. Juventino Ballesteros on October 7.

Mrs. Mecie Posey has been hospitalized for several days at Highsmith-Rainey Hospital in Fayetteville. According to family sources she will probably be returning home by the end of this week.

Mrs. Ethel Monroe, Mrs. Agnes Clark, Mrs. Clea Newton, and Mrs. Gertrude Haire were participants in the Senior Citizens tour of places of interest in Wagram a few days ago. Among the places they visited were the Richmond Temperance and Literary Society Hall, the John Charles McNeill House, and the Memorial Gardens. From there they came back by Riverton Park and the Mill Prong House (one of the oldest houses in Hoke County). The group also visited Open Arms Rest Home in Raeford.

The Homecoming at Philippi Presbyterian Church was very enjoyable Sunday even though the wind was a little nippy for the outside banquet. The worship and fellowship was warm and true-to-form. Special singing by the choir under the direction of Mr. James Clark took all the chill off the day, and Rev. Ballesteros' sermon, "Come Alive Power!", was magni-

Magistrates Court

The following Hoke County magistrates' judgments were issued last week.

Jessie Gibson Livingston, Rt. 2, Raeford, littering, costs.

Pauline Jones McPherson, Rt. 1, Red Springs, following too closely, costs.

Donald Earl Pittman, Rt. 2, Raeford, taking raccoons during the closed season, \$10 and costs.

Gregory Scriven, Rt. 1, Lumber Bridge, driving under the influence, probable cause not found.

Vina Shaw McAllister, Raeford, failing to stop at a stop sign, costs.

Solomon W. Gillis, III, Aberdeen, failing to stop for a red light, costs.

Robin Goins, Jonesboro, La., speeding 47 in a 35 zone, \$10 and costs.

Neal Otis McPhatter, Laurinburg, failing to comply with the operator's license restriction regarding wearing corrective lenses, \$25 and costs.

Reginald D. Blue, Rt. 1, Raeford, worthless check, \$10 restitution to Charles McMillan, and costs.

Christine Breeden, Raeford, worthless check, \$87.98 restitution to Raeford Postmaster Joseph Carver, and costs.

Kevin Anderson Byrd, Rt. 1, Aberdeen, speeding 67 in a 55 zone, \$10 and costs.

Joseph Alexander Billinger, Rt. 3, Raeford, failing to stop at a stop sign, costs.

Julia M. Dockery, Brooklyn, N.Y., no operator's license and speeding 45 in a 35 zone, \$25 and costs.

Margy Catley Elspass, West End, speeding 65 in a 55 zone, \$5 and costs.

Joshua Walter Ingold, Long Beach, N.C., speeding 47 in a 35 zone, \$10 and costs.

Kenneth Ray Mason, Rt. 1, Shannon, driving under the influence, no probable cause found.

Mrs. Randy Quick, Fayetteville, worthless check, \$5.80 restitution to Grocery Mart, and costs.

Willard Mac Lewis II, Rt. 4, Raeford, speeding 47 in a 35 zone, \$10 and costs.

Kenneth Ray Malloy, Rt. 2, Raeford, speeding 49 in a 35 zone, \$10 and costs.

Albert Lawrence, Rt. 1, Raeford, failing to comply with restriction (corrective lenses) on driver's license, \$25 and costs.

Laverne Smith Evans, Fayetteville, no operator's license and displaying and possessing a license known to be fictitious, voluntary dismissal by the prosecutor.

Jerry Robert McDaniel, Hamlet, passing in a no-passing zone, \$10 and costs.

Robert Eugene Maxwell, Rt. 1, Shannon, exceeding a safe speed, costs.

Delores L. Leggett, Box 921, Raeford, worthless check, \$14 restitution to B.C. Moore & Sons, and costs.

Frances McGirt, Rt. 1, Raeford, \$85.82 restitution to Marks Food Store, and costs.

Ronald Jerry Abrams, Ft. Bragg, without having all originally equipped rear lamps or the equivalent in good working order, costs.

Waymon Cummings, Rt. 2, Raeford, worthless check, \$41.90 restitution to Nellie Crumpler and costs.

Joseph Powell, Rt. 1, Willard, worthless check, \$70 restitution to Roy Locklear, and costs.

James Root, Jr., Baton Rouge, La., no inspection certificate, costs.

Daphne Gwyn McBride, Rt. 1, Aberdeen, unsafe move, costs.

Tony Kirk Floyd, Rt. 3, Raeford, speeding 46 in a 35 zone, \$10 and costs.

ficient. He is a fine preacher.

Special guest Rev. Jacob MacKorall led the Communion Meditation and Sacraments of the Lord's Supper. Among the many old friends of the church at the Philippi celebration was the Rev. Ben Ferguson. During the service, the history of Philippi was read by the Clerk of Session, Elder A. Smith McInnis. Flower memorials were placed in memory of Mrs. Mary McInnis by Mr. and Mrs. Billy Posey and Mr. and Mrs. David Lancaster; in memory of Mr. T.C. Jones by Louise Hord, Elise Pittman and Linda Pittman; in memory of Mr. Archie Clark by Mr. and Mrs. James Clark; and in memory of Lottie I. Thomasson by Mr. and Mrs. Roger Dixon.

Tabernacle Baptist Church will be having its homecoming next Sunday, Oct. 19, and at 2 p.m. the Choraleers Gospel Singers will be performing there. They are hoping for a great crowd and just a wonderful day.

Our congratulations to Mr. Roy Jones on his becoming a grandfather. Mr. and Mrs. Dale Jones, who live in Charlotte, are parents of little Matthew Thomas Jones who weighed in at 6-1/2 pounds on Oct. 13.

Mr. Douglas Monroe has been down with some kind of bug for the past week but the latest word has it that he is feeling much better.

Mrs. Agnes Clark, Mrs. Alma Barefoot, and your correspondent were among the good number of people who enjoyed the beautiful singing of the Waymakers Sunday night at Pittman Grove Baptist Church. The singing group had performed the Sunday before in Virginia and were happy to be back in their home church for this occasion. Singers in the group are Carole Clark, Lena McArthur, Becky Baker, and Lois Batton.

Mrs. Nelia Brock returned home Friday from a month's stay at the home of her son Winford in Fayetteville.

Keith Rogers, son of Mr. and Mrs. June Rogers, was home for the weekend from Appalachian College.

Guest speaker at Pittman Grove Baptist Church Sunday was Jim Edwards of Fayetteville. Jim is now in his final year of college and plans to go to seminary upon completion. He spoke Sunday in the place of the pastor, the Rev. Mack Musselwhite, who was attending Homecoming at his home church in Tolarsville.

Pittman Grove's WMU met at the church Monday night. This was their first meeting with their new director, Margaret Musselwhite. The first order of business was to thank Mary E. McKeithan for her excellent service as director during the past year.

Deaths And Funerals

Melvin Purcell

Melvin Purcell, 40, of Rt. 3, Raeford, died October 7.

The funeral was conducted Sunday afternoon in Mountain Grove AME Zion Church by the Rev. C.M. Lyons. Burial was in the church cemetery.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Maggie Purcell of the home; his mother, Mrs. Waiver Purcell of Raeford; his brothers, Graham L. and Lewis Purcell of Brooklyn, N.Y., James T., John H. and James Purcell and Junior Stephens of Raeford, and J.L., Henry and Jerome Purcell of Angier; and his sisters, Misses Maxine and Geraldine Purcell of Brooklyn, and Linda and Gloria Purcell of Raeford.

John F. Buchholz

John F. Buchholz, 58, of Southern Pines, father of John Buchholz, Jr., a former Hoke County High School teacher and wrestling coach, died October 6 in Moore Memorial Hospital after an illness.

He had organized the blood donor program in Moore County, and was chairman of the American Red Cross campaign of 1959.

Mr. Buchholz lost a leg in action in September 1944 in the Pacific while serving with the First Marine Division for 31 months overseas. He was a member of the Disabled American Veterans.

He also had served in 1960 as Southern Pines Civil Defense chairman. He was a Moore Memorial Hospital volunteer, was an honorary member of the Southern Pines Volunteer Fire Department and a member of the Elks.

Mr. Buchholz was a native of Washington, D.C., and a graduate of the School of Foreign Service of Georgetown University in Washington. He and his wife, the former Helen Hart, moved to Southern Pines in 1948.

A funeral mass was conducted Thursday morning in St. Anthony's Catholic Church by Fathers Francis Smith and John Harper. Burial was in Mt. Hope Cemetery.

Surviving in addition to his wife and John Buchholz, Jr., are four other sons, three daughters, eight grandchildren, a sister, and three brothers.

Junior Siler

Junior Siler, 91, of Greensboro died Saturday.

The funeral was scheduled for 1 p.m. Wednesday in Rockfish Grove Baptist Church with Bishop R.L. Douglas officiating, and burial in Silver Grove Cemetery.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Mary Siler; his daughters, Mrs. Frances Ingram and Mrs. Georgie Hayes of Greensboro; his sister, Mrs. Mary Adkinson of Raeford; and his brother, Clyde Siler of Shallotte.

Housing Tips

by Willie Featherstone, Jr.

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WHERE IS THE ECONOMY HEADED AND WHAT DOES IT MEAN FOR YOU?

All economists agree that the economy is now in a recession. A recession merely means that the economy is in a downturn - factories and firms have slowed their production, and as a result, unemployment is up.

The recession has primarily resulted from the federal government's efforts to reduce inflation. Earlier this year, the central bank of the U.S., the Federal Reserve, allowed interest rates to rise significantly higher. This in turn made it more expensive for firms to do business and for consumers to spend. As a result, firms and consumers dramatically reduced their spending, thereby reducing the upward pressure on prices and interest rates and lowering inflation from 18% annual rates to 11% annual rates.

The costs of this action have been reduced production in the economy and higher unemployment. Unfortunately, these costs were inevitable if the inflation rate was to be reduced.

The economy is now at a crossroads. No one claims that an 11% inflation rate (this means that prices, on average, increase by 11% over a year's time) is desirable, yet few people want to maintain the higher unemployment that is prevalent statewide and in Hoke County. However, in order to reduce inflation further, the slow-

down in the economy most likely must continue. To quickly reduce unemployment to last year's levels would surely rekindle higher inflation rates.

How you view this dilemma most importantly depends on your occupation. Recession affects different industries differently. Those hit the hardest are industries producing durable goods which consumers and firms do not need to buy every day. Examples are the auto, housing, furniture, and appliance industries.

When recession hits and family incomes decline, people stop buying cars, houses, refrigerators, and sofas. If you are a "laid off" worker from these industries, reducing inflation is secondary to getting another job.

It takes longer for recession to affect people employed in service industries. To people in these occupations, reducing inflation is probably more important now.

For households whose job(s) and income have not been drastically affected by the recession, the current economic environment may present some opportunities. Business failure is more likely during a recession, so liquidation sales may be more common since consumer demand is down and firms' inventories are up, operating businesses are more likely to hold meaningful sales and price reductions. Therefore, keep your "eyes open" for uncommon good buys.



FIREMEN, WIVES, GUESTS -- The Hoke County Firemen's Association's annual Firemen's and Wives' Supper was held Thursday night in W.T. Gibson Cafeteria at Hoke County High School, and here are some scenes of the firemen, their wives and guests at the dinner of fried chicken and barbecue. The guests included Raeford City and Hoke County officials and their spouses. At the speaker's table are, L.R. Tom Howell, first vice president of the Raeford-Hoke County Chamber of Commerce, the Rev. Paul Strassle, pastor of St. Elizabeth of Hungary Catholic Church, and Ed McNeill, Hoke County fire commissioner and Hillcrest Fire Department chief, and president of the county firemen's association. Father Strassle gave the invocation. Howell welcomed the visitors, and McNeill introduced the guest speaker, Terry Holloway, coordinator of fire service training at Fayetteville Technical Institute. The dinner was held as part of the county's observance of National Fire Prevention Week. Among other activities during the week, about 800 Hoke County public school students visited the Raeford Fire Department, and fire-fighting trucks and firemen visited schools. The observance ended Saturday with a parade followed by a display of fire-fighting equipment in Raeford. [Staff photo by Bill Lindau.]



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