

In Hoke, From September Rate

October Unemployment Up .3%

Hoke County's unemployment in October rose slightly above the September rate but was nearly a full point below the rate of October 1980, State Employment Security Commission figures show. The rate for October 1981 was 7.7 per cent, compared with 7.4 the

previous month and 8.5 for October 1980.

In October 1981, a total of 580 of the 7,560 people in the work force were unemployed. The total unemployed was 10 more than the total in September, when the work force contained 7,660 people.

The unemployed in October 1980 totaled 640 of the 7,500 people in the work force.

Hoke was one of the 65 North Carolina counties which reported increases in unemployment rates in October of this year, the ESC reported December 1. The state-wide rate was 5.6 per cent, compared with 5.4 in September. The national rate in October was 7.5, which was two-tenths of a point higher than the September rate.

Robeson County had the highest rate of the 100 counties in October -- 14.9. The others with rates 10 per cent or higher were Cherokee County 13.2, Clay County 12.2, and Person County 10.3.

Allegheny County had the lowest -- 2.8, this was .8 higher than Allegheny's September rate.

Twelve counties reported unemployment rates of 4 per cent or less.

Among the state's seven metropolitan statistical areas, Fayetteville's rate advanced to 8.7 in October from the previous month's 8.3 per cent.



SPIKERS -- The Spikers of the Men's Volleyball League are, front, L-R, Donald Plummer, James Gillis, and Danny Gibson; and, rear, L-R, Charles Willis, Tommy McCall, and Paul Barnes. [Staff photo by Pam Frederick.]

'Share Your Christmas' Needs More Support

"Share Your Christmas", in order for it to be a success, needs a significant boost in support from the community, states Sarah Leach, Project Chairman of the Raeford Woman's Club.

At this point, the families referred exceed the resources contributed to date. Contributions of children's clothing and toys are especially needed.

Non-perishable food items will also be helpful in Christmas sharing.

Individuals, churches, businesses, organizations are also en-

couraged to contribute by mailing a monetary contribution to "Share Your Christmas," c/o The News-Journal, Post Office Box 550, Raeford, 28376.

In addition to contributing, the opportunity to adopt a family also exists. Members of the Raeford Woman's Club will be accepting contributions and referrals on Thursday afternoon, December 9, and Saturday morning, December 12 at the Hoke County Library.

"Share Your Christmas" by responding to the needs of others less fortunate.

Abuse Counselor Assigned Here

Dennis Brewster, Sandhills Center, Hoke County Unit manager, has announced the assignment of Chuck Meek, clinical substance abuse counselor, to the Hoke County Unit.

Meek will be serving Hoke County people two and one-half days a week, effective immediately.

Dr. Steven Dingfelder, area director for Sandhills Center, states that he is happy to offer an additional, highly qualified staff member to serve the people in need of substance abuse services in Hoke County.

Meek serves as the clinical consultant to members of the substance abuse staff throughout the five counties served by Sandhills Center and has been employed by the Center since November 1980.

He came to the Sandhills from Atlanta, Ga., where he served as senior counselor for five years at Emory University's Teaching Fa-

cility, Grady Memorial Hospital. Meek is a graduate of Georgia State University and has extensive experience in the treatment of chemical dependency, and individual, group, and family counseling.

In addition, Meek teaches a course on the psychology of addictions at Sandhills Community College. Meek and Dennis Brewster, Hoke Unit manager, recently completed studies at the Duke University Summer Institute of Alcohol Studies.

Meek and his wife, Nancy, have a daughter, Shannon, 5, and make their home near Pinehurst.

The Hoke County unit will soon begin to offer an innovative treatment program for persons experiencing problems or dependency with alcohol or drugs.

Meek and Brewster are available to answer questions or to help persons with this type of problem. For more information, they can be contacted at 875-8156.



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The cost to the federal government per participant in 4-H is only about \$15. In contrast, studies indicate it costs as much as \$17,000 per year to care for an adjudicated youth in a public institution.

Pierce contended that the three had not been on school property and Huffman had seen them after school hours and that the boys hadn't been smoking marijuana but regular cigarettes.

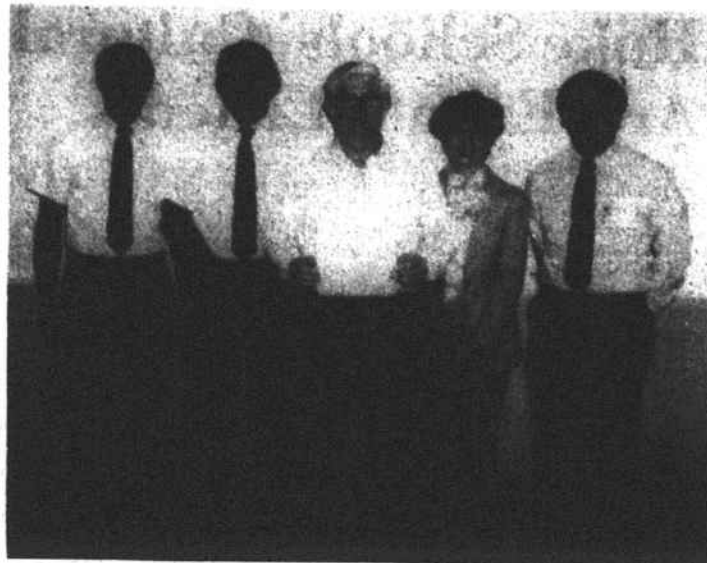
He said expulsion denied the boys education for the rest of the year, set them behind and left them with the stigma of expulsion, a penalty he indicated was too harsh for the offense.

Edwards, however, pointed out that they could continue their education in the Extended Day program (which is held at Hoke County High School) for students who cannot attend regular classes because of expulsion, holding a daytime job or other reason.

The girl informed the board she was attending Extended Day classes, which Edwards said are held for students under age 14 between 8 a.m. and 3 p.m. Students age 14 and older are allowed to attend between 3 p.m. and 8 p.m.

After the board made its decision, board chairman Bill Cameron advised the attorney that the boys still could apply to attend the Extended Day classes for the rest of the school year. The application must be made to Edwards. It was indicated earlier that such applications would be approved. The board had been informed during the hearing that the parents or guardians of the boys had not applied though such information had been provided.

In an earlier case, the board upheld the authority of the county school superintendent's designated representative to fire a bus driver.



30 YEARS -- Willie (Bill) Stanley, supervisor in the Pindrafting/Roving Department of the Raeford Plant of Burlington Industries, recently completed 30 years of continuous service. Shown in the picture with Stanley [center], who is showing his certificate, are, L-R, Bill Archer, production manager, Richard Morgan, Pindrafting/Roving Department manager; Nancy Hodges, Yarn Manufacturing superintendent, and Cecil Bond, plant manager.

Hoke High Singers' Yule Concerts Dec. 17

The Hoke High Chorus and Chorale will present their annual Christmas concerts December 17 at 7:30 p.m. in MacDonald Gymnasium.

The groups consist of 115 singers. The theme of the program is "Twas the Night before Christmas."

The singers will enter the gymnasium by candle light singing "Joy to the World." They will follow with "The Halleluhah Chorus."

Several other sacred pieces will be sung. They will include "Three Christmas Songs," "Glory Hallelu," and "God of Our Fathers."

The Chorus will enlighten the program with "Children Go Where I Send Thee," "Marshmallow World," and "Silver Bells."

The Chorale will open with a French madrigal, "Il Est Bel et Bon," then follow with "Deck the Halls," and "Midnight Sleigh Bells."

To end the program the entire group will perform "Twas the Night before Christmas." There will be solos and selections sung by the Barbershop Singers as well.

The admission charge is \$1.

Drug

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The case involved was the firing of a student from his South Hoke school bus driving job because his vehicle ran off the road. At the time the reason given for his dismissal was that, though he was not charged with a traffic violation by the investigating State Highway Patrol trooper, he had not followed prescribed procedures.

Allen at the end of the presentation of the witnesses informed the board that 13 students had been expelled from Upchurch since the start of this school year, and of these 11 had been expelled for drug violations. He said he has told the students that he will not tolerate drugs or dangerous weapons at school.

Replying to the attorney's question, board member Mina Townsend said the students are informed of the drug policy at the start of the school year, and this constitutes a warning of the penalties for violation.

The traffic case hearing was held in an executive session starting about five minutes after the board's monthly session started at 7 p.m. At about 8:35 p.m., the board reopened the meeting and adopted the motion upholding the policy, then called for the hearing of the Upchurch youth's case. The hearing was held open on request of the youth's mother. After the witnesses and statements by the two Upchurch administrators and the youth's attorney were heard, the board went into executive session at about 10:40 p.m., reopened it at 11:52 p.m. and adopted the motion, made by Mrs. Townsend, just before midnight.



NATURALS-D.J. LANDSCAPING -- Members of the team in the Hoke County Men's Volleyball League are, L-R, front, Gary Culp, Joe McGougan, and Ricky Huff, and, rear, L-R, Mike Wood, George Drawhorne, and Dan McGougan. [Staff photo by Pam Frederick.]



LEGALS

same lying and being in Township, Hoke County, North Carolina, and being more particularly described as follows:

That certain parcel or tract of land lying and being about 5 miles south of the City of Raeford; about one mile north of Antioch. Bound on the east by a 60 foot wide unnamed street; on all other sides by other lands of Bell & Wright, Inc., and more particularly described as follows, to/wit:

BEGINNING at an iron pipe in the west right-of-way line of a 60 foot wide unnamed street (said iron being located S 17-25 W 1039 feet, N 72-35 W 260 feet from a 1/2 inch iron pipe, the northeast corner of the original tract of which this is a part) and running thence N 72-35 W 200 feet to an iron stake; thence S 17-25 W 100 feet to an iron stake; thence S 72-35 E 200 feet to an iron stake in the west right-of-way (30 feet from center) of a 60 foot wide unnamed street; thence as said right-of-way N 17-25 E 100 feet to the BEGINNING, containing 0.46 acre, more or less, and being a portion of that tract of land described in Deed Book 169, at page 467, Hoke County Registry.

Five percent (5%) of the amount of the highest bid must be deposited with the Trustee pending confirmation of the sale.

Dated this 12th day of November, 1981.

Substitute, Trustee:
William L. Moses
Post Office Drawer 688
Raeford, N.C. 28376
Telephone: (919) 875-2137
32-33C

IN THE GENERAL COURT OF JUSTICE SUPERIOR COURT DIVISION

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
HOKE COUNTY

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE

Having qualified as Administrator of the estate of Johnny Pridden, Jr. of Hoke County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said Johnny Pridden, 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 16 day of November, 1981.

Mary Frances Pridden
Route 1, Box 653A
Red Springs, N.C. 28377
31-34C

IN THE GENERAL COURT OF JUSTICE SUPERIOR COURT DIVISION

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
HOKE COUNTY

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE

Having qualified as Administrator of the estate of Gladys Pridden of Hoke County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said Gladys Pridden 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 10 day of November, 1981.

Pearlie Pridden
Route 1, Box 653A
Red Springs, N.C. 28377
31-34C

NOTICE OF PROPOSED BANK MERGER

Notice is hereby given that United Carolina Bank, Whiteville, North Carolina has made application to the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, Washington, D.C. 20429, for its written consent to merge with The Bank of Raeford, Raeford, North Carolina.

This notice is published pursuant to Section 18 (c) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act.

Any person wishing to comment on this application may file his comments in writing with the Regional Director of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation at its Regional Office, Eighth and Main Building, 707 East Main Street, Suite 2000, Richmond, Virginia 23219. If any person desires to protest the granting of this application he has a right to do so if he files a written notice of his intent with the Regional Director by December 26, 1981. The non-confidential portions of the application are on file in the Regional Office as part of the public file maintained by the Corporation. This file is available for public inspection during regular business hours.

It is contemplated that all of the offices of the above named banks will continue to be operated.

November 10, 1981

United Carolina Bank
Whiteville, North Carolina
The Bank of Raeford
Raeford, North Carolina
29-33C

LEGALS

CREDITOR'S NOTICE

Having qualified as administrator of the estate of Henry Bullard, 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 10, 1982 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 10th day of December, 1981.

Jessie James Locklear
Administrator
Hostetler & McNeill
Attorneys at Law
P.O. Box 277
Raeford, N.C. 28376
33-36C

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

Having qualified as Executor of the estate of Ruby Lane Stewart of Hoke County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said Ruby Lane Stewart 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 19th day of November, 1981.

Warren L. Martin
1417 Mack St.
Spring Lake, N.C. 28390
33-36C

NOTICE OF SALE

NORTH CAROLINA
HOKE COUNTY

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain deed of trust executed by LAWRENCE E. FERGUSON and wife, MARGARET E. FERGUSON, to William L. Moses, Substitute, Trustee, dated the 20th day of August, 1979, and recorded in Book 211, Page 304, in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Hoke County, North Carolina, default having been made in the payment of the indebtedness thereby secured and the said deed of trust being by the terms thereof subject to foreclosure, and the holder of the indebtedness thereby secured having demanded a foreclosure thereof for the purpose of satisfying said indebtedness, and the Clerk of the Court granting permission for the 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 10:30 a.m., on the 15 day of December, 1981, the land, as improved, conveyed in said deed of trust, the