

From Regular Job In Department Store

Ansley Writes Songs In Spare Time

Peter Ansley works at B.C. Moore's in Raeford regularly. He also writes songs regularly, and for much longer than he's been employed in private business. Ansley is 25 now. Writing in his spare time, he has sold 27 songs to music publishers (for publication, not recordings) since 1975 and has sold rights of publication to three others.

Ansley also was asked to write a song for the historical drama of the Robeson Historical Society, "Strike at the Wind." The latter type of song fits his regular artistry. "I write the 'popular' style," he said during an interview at *The News-Journal* last week, "classical rock, and folk."

Ansley arrived at the newspaper office accompanied by his sister, Caroline, who finished her junior year at Hoke County High School recently. They are the children of the Rev. and Mrs. Charles Ansley of Antioch. Their father is pastor of Antioch Presbyterian Church.

Peter Ansley quoted some of his recent titles -- "Another Time," "If Ever I Love You," besides "Strike at the Wind."

You could say he started preparing for his song-writing career while he was just in the Second Grade; that's when he started writing poetry, and that was nine years ago. He graduated from South View High School in Cumberland County in 1975, then studied two years at St. Andrews Presbyterian College in Laurinburg. Meanwhile, in his school days before and during college he learned to play the guitar, including bass guitar, and keyboard instruments -- the harpsichord, piano, and organ -- "No," he said with a laugh replying to another question, "not the accordion."

After college, he, Johnny Hendren and Tim Terriers played as a combo together, and in 1977 they were offered a recording contract in

Nashville, Tenn., music-country capital of the world, a mecca for composers.

This first big "break" was an expensive education. "It cost us \$2,100," Peter recalled, "\$600 just to meet them. We went home broke. Nothing came out of it." Of course, the education in a hard side of the music world did, albeit it was an expensive one.

"We started recording ourselves in 1978," he said. Opportunities looked good in Florida, and they decided to write music instead of performing.

"We each started writing our own," Ansley continued. "We get together every summer -- play what we have written, go to the studio and cut records." He came back to Hoke County about three months ago to join the department store staff.

In Miami, he worked in operations for a trucking company from 1977 till last year, fulltime, writing music, as usual, in his spare time.

Though the three do cooperate to a considerable extent, writing music -- like writing anything else -- is something "you have to do yourself," he said.

In 1979, he sold his first song, "I Fall Too Easily," to Warner Reprise.

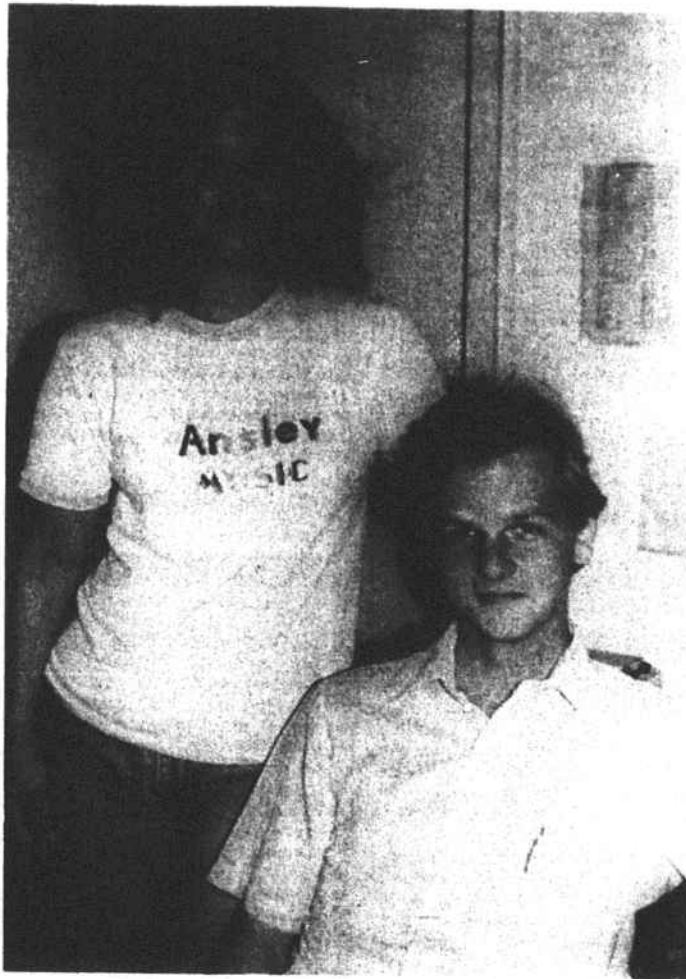
In another month, he and his fellow writers will go to Marion, N.C., cut their latest tape, "at Country Roads Recording Studio."

So far, he figures, he's written over 1,000 poems and more than 150 songs.

"It's very difficult to make money at it (song-writing) Ansley said. "A little '45' makes a million dollars, the writer gets only about \$8,000." Then he said, "It took a lot of years of putting it together," for his composing.

But on the other hand, the fact emerges from his talking that he isn't writing songs just to make money.

He's writing songs because he loves writing songs.



Peter Ansley with sister Caroline.

UDC Holds Luncheon

The Jefferson Davis Luncheon of the Raeford United Daughters of the Confederacy Chapter was held June 11 in the Lester Building.

Covers were laid for 16. The head table was centered with a tray of fresh vegetables beautifully arranged by Mrs. Aline Wright.

The chapter has two daughters of Confederate veterans -- Mrs. Almena McKeithan and Mrs. Katie Stevens. Mrs. McKeithan was present and was presented a corsage.

After lunch a short business session was held. An account of the life of Jefferson Davis was read by Mrs. Isabel McFadyen. A scrapbook containing Civil War information that was found between the walls of an old school house in Montgomery County was on display. It was voted to have a copy made of the articles for the chapter's files.

Miss Josephine Hall reported

CHILD CUSTODY
North Carolina law specifically says that neither the mother nor the father is automatically entitled to the custody of a child.

The judge must decide which parent, agency or institution is best for the child. The judge's order must include a written reason for why the child was placed with one parent rather than the other.

Custody need not be exclusive. The judge is permitted to grant both parents custody.

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