



Ronnie Hatchell [left] and George Jones in Hatchell's office Friday morning.

County Observing Veterans' Week

Hoke County is observing, with the rest of the country, National Disabled Veterans Week, which opened Monday and will continue through Saturday.

The special week honoring the service men who suffered permanent partial or total disability from injuries suffered in action against the enemy in all America's wars is being sponsored by the President's Committee on Employment of the Handicapped.

In connection with service to disabled veterans, Ronnie Hatchell of Raeford, a 35-year-old partly disabled veteran of the Vietnam war, is working Mondays through Fridays, 9 a.m. to noon, helping veterans find jobs.

He and George Jones, veterans' employment representative for Scotland and Hoke counties, explained Friday that the service is for all veterans, including the non-disabled.

Jones is based in Laurinburg. The role of the office here, located in the Job Service Office of the ESC in the Old County Office Building on West Elwood Avenue, is getting veteran's preference in all jobs coming into the ESC, Hatchell said.

The veterans' employment office is separate from the State Veterans Affairs Office for Hoke County, which is located in the Lester Building, with Veterans Service Officer Pat Probst in charge.

However, Jones said, the veterans' job office and the Veterans Affairs Office cooperate. He said that, for example, when a veteran seeking a job comes to Hatchell but also needs information or other help relating to education or other nonemployment veterans benefits, he refers the veteran to the Veterans Affairs Office.

On the other hand, veterans who come to the latter office but also are looking for jobs are referred by the Veterans Affairs Office to the veterans' employment office.

The veterans employment office also works with the Hoke County High School's DECA (Distributive Education Club of America), and vice versa.

Hatchell is planning to resume his college studies in January at Pembroke State University but will continue working his regular hours at the veterans' employment office.

Hatchell is a graduate of Sandhills Community College, is married, and has two children.

He was working for Daniels International Construction Co. of Greenville, S.C., but serving out of Raeford when he went into service.

He suffered his disabling injury in Vietnam during his year's service, 1967-68.

While serving with the Army 52nd Artillery, Haskell was injured when the truck he was in was blown up by enemy action.

He was thrown out and hurt his back, leaving him 40% disabled and no longer fit for the physical labor of climbing, walking, and carrying heavy loads that the construction work he had been doing demands.

Haskell wasn't awarded a Purple Heart, which is given for wounds suffered in action against the enemy, because, he said, "there was no blood" coming from his injury.

Haskell got his high school diploma while he was in service, through the GED program.

He is a member of Evangelical Methodist Church of Raeford.

Revival Slated

A revival will be held Monday through November 20 at 7:30 p.m. daily at the Church of God of Prophecy.

The evangelist will be Ervin Wilson, and special singing will be held each night.

LAW For Laypersons

LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT

North Carolina recognizes the holographic will, as well as the more common attested will.

The holographic will is defined simply as one that is written entirely in the handwriting of the will's maker or testator.

The requirements of a valid holographic will in North Carolina are more complex than it might seem from its simple definition.

Indeed, the will must be written entirely in the testator's handwriting, but it also must be signed by him or at least have his name written in his own handwriting in the text of the will or somewhere on the will.

Also, the holographic will must be found after the testator's death among his valuable papers, or in a safe deposit box or other safe place where the testator placed it, or in the custody of a person with whom the testator placed it for safe keeping.

No witnesses of the holographic will are required as they are in the case of the attested will.

Most holographic wills which have been challenged as invalid under North Carolina Statutes have been challenged on the grounds that the will was not found among the testator's valuable papers or in some other safe place.

In a 1928 case, for example, in *Re Will of Groce*, 196 N.C. 373, 145 S.E. 689 (1928), a holographic will was discovered in the testator's coat pocket.

The will left some land to the testator's adopted son, and the testator's natural sons challenged the validity of the will by arguing that it was not a valid holographic will because it was not found after the testator's death among his valuable papers.

Although, the evidence in the *Groce* case showed that the will was found in the testator's clothes along with almost \$1500 in cash, two pencils, a knife and some receipts, the cash was found not in the coat pocket with the will, but in the testator's overalls.

Since he had no valuable papers anywhere else, and he died wearing the clothes containing the will and the cash, the court decided that there was sufficient evidence to find that the holographic will was found among the testator's valuable papers.

The will was thus declared valid.

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CHATting WITH GOVERNOR -- Raeford City Manager Ronald Matthews [right] chatted briefly with North Carolina Gov. Jim Hunt during festivities prior to the Governor's Community of Excellence Awards last Wednesday as Hunt's bodyguard [left] stands by.



CONGRATULATED -- Raeford Mayor John K. McNeill Jr. [left] was congratulated Wednesday during a break in the Governor's Excellence Award ceremonies by Scotland Neck Mayor Ferd Harrison [right]. Harrison serves as president of the National League of Cities and has had a strong influence on modifying some of the Reagan Administration's new federalism policies. McNeill was being congratulated for his re-election last week for a second term to represent the Seventh District with the State League of Municipalities. McNeill will work with the state Legislature and the Governor's office on behalf of the district's cities and towns.

Glenn Miller Band In Laurinburg Thurs.

In the early forties of the "big band era," Glenn Miller produced his unique sound -- a musical trademark. Today, some 30 years later, the authentic Glenn Miller sound is very much alive, well and heard throughout the United States and the rest of the world the year 'round.

Not only are recordings of the original band still among the best selling discs, but the present Glenn Miller Orchestra, led by Larry O'Brien is one of the most sought after musical organizations for concerts, college dances, military installations and private functions.

The Glenn Miller Orchestra will appear in Laurinburg at Scotland High School Auditorium on Thursday, November 11 at 8 p.m.

Glenn Miller was one of the giants of the "big band era." He organized the orchestra in 1937, and three years later it became one of the top musical organizations in the country.

With the outbreak of World War II, Miller entered the U.S. Air Force Band and promptly organized the famous Glenn Miller Army/Air Force Band. They went to Europe to entertain the servicemen, and it was on Dec. 15, 1944 that Major Miller disappeared while on a military flight from England to France.

Twelve years later, the Miller Estate authorized the formation of the present Glenn Miller Orchestra, under the direction of Ray McKinley.

In 1966, he was succeeded by Buddy DeFranco, who remained at the helm until January 1974 when the distinguished trombonist Buddy Morrow took over as leader. Buddy was succeeded in 1975 by Jimmy Henderson.

Today, the music of Glenn Miller is directed by one of America's great trombonists, Larry O'Brien.

Heart Assoc. Says Thanks

The Hoke County Heart Association would like to thank those who helped with the Blood Pressure Screening Clinics held this past Saturday in Hoke County.

"We are encouraged by the response of the residents and plan to provide more educational clinics for Hoke County," said Anna Jordan, Public Information Chairman for the Hoke County Heart Association.

Volunteers checked 170 people's blood pressure and gave out educational literature during the clinics.

Special thanks go to the county Fire Departments and their chiefs, the staffs of the Hoke County

Public Library and the Edinborough Pharmacy.

Those individuals who volunteered their time to staff the clinics include: Luann Dees, Katherine Brock, Helen Wheeler, Mrs. Register, Carter Nimocks, Lynn Cecil, Lois Guin, Emma Mims, Pearl Price, Steve Phillips, Vickie Jones, Bertha Hendrix, Debra Goodman, Ervin Hollingsworth, Mryochi Dudley, Anna Jordan, Judy Ferguson, Debra Cox, Sandra Russell, Billie Postel, Mrs. E. Small, Ruth McNair, Edna Bratcher, Martha Lundy, Johnny Melton and Members of the Hoke County Rescue Squad.

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Raeford United Methodist Church
Friday, November 12, 1982

BARBECUE PORK or BARBECUE CHICKEN
Hush Puppies & Marinated Slaw

LUNCH 11:00-2:00 In McLaughlin Cafeteria
DINNER 5:00-8:00 In McLaughlin Cafeteria

\$3.50 Adults (Feeds 2 Children Under 12)

Bazaar - Crafts - Auction
9 a.m. until 7:30 p.m.

At Raeford United Methodist Church