

Hunting Fray Leads To Shooting

Two men named Harris but unrelated shot each other Saturday afternoon but each told the Hoke County Sheriff's Department the other fired first.

Neither was injured seriously, though both were hit by shotgun pellets, the investigating officers reported.

The report quoted Jeff Harris of Rt. 1, Raeford, U.S. 401 south, as saying he found Ted Harris, 37, of Rt. 1, Raeford, hunting near the Jeff Harris home, ordered Ted

Harris not to hunt in his yard, then fired a shotgun blast at Ted Harris.

Jeff Harris was quoted as saying he then fired twice, the first time over Ted Harris, then at him.

Jeff Harris told him not to hunt in his yard.

Ted Harris said Jeff Harris fired first.

The investigators reported Ted Harris was wounded in the right leg by 30 pellets and was advised to go to the local medical clinic for

treatment.

They said Ted Harris reported the shooting at 5:10 a.m. about 10 minutes after it occurred.

About five minutes after Ted Harris reported, Jeff Harris notified the sheriff's Department by telephone that he had been shot.

A deputy found Harris at his home with one shotgun pellet in his left forearm.

No warrants had been issued by either party up to *The News-Journal's* press time.

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LITTLE CHICK, BIG TURKEY -- Megan Willis of Raeford considers this turkey chosen as a Thanksgiving gift for President Ronald Reagan. Miss Willis was at a Tar Heel Turkey Hatchery Farms house off N.C. 211 West for the picture-taking Thursday morning. She is the daughter of Jodi and Wayne Willis and granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wyatt Upchurch. Upchurch is president and part owner of Tar Heel. The turkey was given to the president in Washington Monday by Upchurch's partner, Bill Prestage of Clinton, N.C., on behalf of the National Turkey Federation. Prestage is the federation's president.

Around Town

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Holidays are good and I have always been for them. The thing that bugs me is that most people forget why or what they are having a holiday for in the first place.

Thanksgiving is a day set aside each year in the United States and Canada so that people can give thanks, for feasting and prayer for the blessings they have received during the year.

The day first started in the New England Colonies and was a harvest festival and God was thanked for this harvest and for the rewards of the year. This was about 1621.

In 1623 Governor William Brad-

ford proclaimed the day for the colonies and Indians were invited to the feast and prayer.

The last Thursday in November was proclaimed as Thanksgiving Day in the United States by President Abraham Lincoln. It remained that date until 1939 when President Franklin D. Roosevelt proclaimed the third Thursday in November as Thanksgiving.

In 1941 Congress passed an act that established the fourth Thursday in November as Thanksgiving Day and made it a legal holiday.

So much for the history. Today, most folks think of Thanksgiving as a day off and time to eat turkey.

Most ads in papers and on radio & TV call it turkey day.

The churches have even moved Thanksgiving Services to Wednesday night.

The photo column by Pam Frederick in this week's *News-Journal* in which she asked kids what they were going to do for Thanksgiving had many answers. Be sure to read them and see if any of them said a thing about giving "thanks."

Yes, we want the days off, but it is wrong for us to forget why we are off.

Think about this?

Closings Scheduled For Thurs.

Public and private offices will be closed, some government offices for two days, and a special community church service is scheduled for this week for the Thanksgiving observance in Hoke County.

The community service is the one held annually for Thanksgiving observance by the Raeford Ministerial Association, with Hoke County churches outside as well as in Raeford participating.

The service of 1982 was scheduled for Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. in Hillcrest Baptist Church.

The speaker was to be the Rev. Douglas Mark, associate pastor of Raeford Presbyterian Church, with Bev Tillman, minister of music of First Baptist Church of Raeford, directing the music.

Raeford city, Hoke County, and state government offices will be closed Thursday and Friday as well as on the customary weekend days.

The holiday also includes the county schools.

Federal offices, including the Post Office, will be closed Thanksgiving Day only. The city-county landfill also will be closed on Thanksgiving day and open for business Friday and Saturday as is customary.

The landfill is closed every Sunday.

Featherstone Recognized For NC Service

Willie Featherstone Jr., Hoke County extension chairman, has been recognized for 10 years of extension work.

Featherstone was among those receiving tenure awards last Tuesday at a state conference of the N.C. Agricultural Extension Service on the North Carolina State University campus.

A graduate of the University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff and NCSU, Featherstone has served as Hoke County chairman since 1981. Previously, he was assistant agricultural extension agent for Hoke County.

Pound Fund Gets \$310

The Raeford-Hoke County Humane Society received \$310 in donations from private citizens up to Monday morning, to help the county finance construction of a new dog pound.

This was reported by Mrs. Jack McGinnis, director of the society. She said the fund-raising campaign is being conducted by the organization.

The new pound will cost about \$27,000, and the Raeford City Council has allocated \$7,000 in the current municipal budget as the city's share of the cost, but the

county government does not yet have the remainder budgeted.

Mrs. McGinnis advised prospective donors to make the checks payable to the County of Hoke and to specify on the checks that the money is to be used for the new pound, to avoid use for the present one.

She also said the donations are tax deductible.

A joint building for an animal shelter and for landfill equipment is being considered by the county commissioners but a site for a new pound has not been selected yet.

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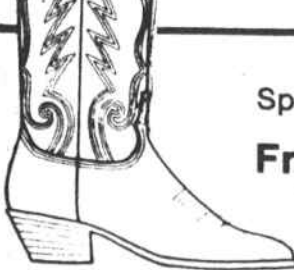


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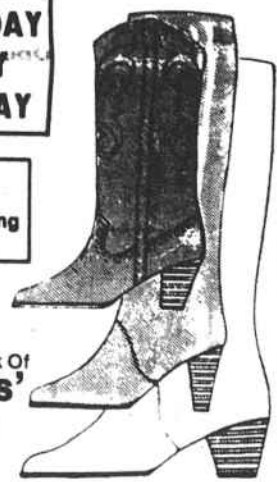


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