



Antioch Scene -- Great Hope Free Will Baptist Church on NC 211 sets a sober scene on a gray December Day. The church serves the Antioch community.

LAW For Laypersons

Just last summer, a very popular professor in a small college in Virginia took his own life with a pistol.

His death sent shock waves throughout the community. Perhaps many felt a tinge of guilt; if they had only known of the great struggles which were apparently going on within him, they could perhaps have done something to dissuade him from taking his life.

Suicide has unfortunately been with us for a long time. Although the Bible makes no mention of the specific act of suicide, most people would consider suicide a violation of the Bible's law that "thou shalt not kill."

Committing suicide was a serious crime in England during the Middle Ages and for sometime thereafter. Although you might think that suicide would have been a crime for which the actor could not be

punished because he was dead, the punishment for committing suicide was swift and effective.

The law required that the person's body should be buried in a highway with a stake driven through his heart, and all of his possessions should be forfeited to the king.

The heavy punishment for committing suicide was designed to discourage a person from taking his own life.

Hopefully a person would hesitate to take his life if he were aware of how his body would be buried and if he knew that his heirs would not be able to inherit his possessions.

Burial of suicides in the highway was not forbidden in England until 1824.

Burials thereafter could be in a churchyards or other usual burial places, but the law would not

permit religious ceremonies to be used, and the actual burial had to take place between the hours of 9 a.m. and midnight.

Suicide in North Carolina, however, has not been punishable for many years.

Our North Carolina Constitution provides the only punishments which are known to the laws of our state: death, imprisonment, fines, removal from office and disqualification to hold and enjoy any office of honor, trust and profit.

Since an ignominious burial and forfeiture of one's estate are, therefore, not allowed under the Constitution and since none of the modern punishments available could affect a dead person, the successful suicide in North Carolina cannot be punished.

Finally, in 1973, the North Carolina General Assembly abolished the crime of suicide as an offense.

Sunday School Lesson

Background Scripture: Luke 1:26-28.

Devotional Reading: Hebrews 3:1-6.

In the centuries that have marked the passage of time since the birth of Christ, Mary, the mother of Jesus, has been venerated primarily because of her purity. Yet, without downgrading that purity one bit, it seems to me that that which made Mary so unique was her willingness to permit the will of God to be made manifest in her life.

GREATLY TROUBLED

We know absolutely nothing of Mary's life before the visit of the angel Gabriel, but we may assume that she was not accustomed to being visited by angels or having

ecstatic spiritual experiences. Thus, when Gabriel comes proclaiming, "Hail, O favored one, the Lord is with you!" Mary's response is one of anxious consternation and Luke tells us, "She was greatly troubled at the saying, and considered in her mind what sort of greeting this might be." Mary was not a puppet on God's string, but a real, live woman with a heart and mind that were not afraid to question what God was trying to say to her.

Nor was her faith so completely unquestioning so that she accepted Gabriel's greeting without fear and anxiety, for Gabriel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God..." Just because Gabriel was an angel, a messenger of God, didn't mean that she was ready to embrace his

proposal without hesitation.

When Gabriel went on to prophecy about her unborn son, Mary was still doubtful and with courage asked, "How can this be, since I have no husband?" Once again Mary demonstrated that she had a mind of her own. If God was going to send a messenger to her, she reserved the right to question and challenge the message.

"LET IT BE..."

What makes Mary admirable to us is, not that she had no questions or objections to what God was proposing through Gabriel, but that ultimately she was unable to move beyond those questions and objections and let God do what he wanted to do -- His way. It made no sense to her that she would remain a virgin and yet bear a child. It made no sense whatsoever that God would will her child to be "Son of the Most High." Her way of doing this would have been quite different -- as would yours and mine.

Questions Answered On Drug Abuse Signs

Many parents, teachers, and others often wonder about the signs of drug abuse when observing the behavior of young people.

How can I tell when my child is abusing drugs of alcohol? is a frequent question asked of counselors. Though the symptoms of drug use vary, certain behaviors are general warning signs that can alert parents to the possibility of a problem. Some of these signs are:

- An abrupt change in mood or attitude.
- A sudden decline in attendance or performance at work or school.
- Sudden resistance to discipline at home.
- Impaired relationship with family or friends.
- Staying out late.
- Unusual flare-ups of temper.
- Increased borrowing of money from parents or friends; stealing from home, school, or employer.
- Increased secrecy about actions and possessions.
- Associating with a new group of friends, especially with those who use drugs.

While these behaviors may indicate that a young person is using drugs, they do not necessarily prove it. Some of these signs may simply reflect normal teenage growing pains.

These signs, along with finding drugs, or drug paraphernalia in your child's possession, make the probability that he or she is abusing drugs much stronger.

If you suspect a young person is using drugs educate yourself about drug abuse. Getting the facts will help you discuss issues about drug abuse with the young person in an intelligent and rational way.

Here in the Sandhills, information and professional help are available through Sandhills Center for Mental Health, Mental Retardation, and Substance Abuse Services.

Dennis Brewster or Mary Lester, local Substance Abuse Counselor, has pamphlets and other information free of charge. He may be reached by calling 875-8156.

Deaths & Funerals

Mrs. Naomi Guin

The funeral for Mrs. Naomi Guin, 85, who died November 24, was conducted the following Saturday afternoon in Hillside Holiness Church by the Rev. Alton Johnson, the Rev. Grady Smith, and the Rev. Bobby Bundles.

Burial was in the Community Chapel cemetery.

Surviving are her daughters, Mrs. Dorothy Taylor of Lockport, N.Y., Mrs. Mary Hanes of Augusta, Ga., and Mrs. Sid Sellers of Fayetteville; her brother, Paul Baxley of Raeford; 17 grandchildren; 37 great-grandchildren; and four great-great-grandchildren.

Crumpler Funeral Home was in charge of the arrangements.

Deaths & Funerals

Walter C. Parks

Walter Clarence Parks, 72, a retired merchant and farmer, died Friday.

A memorial service was conducted Monday at Antioch Presbyterian Church.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Ruth Bass Parks of Raleigh; his daughters, Mrs. Scarlett VonCannon of South Carolina, Mrs. Anne Angel of High Point, Mrs. Jayne Pauson of Dayton, O.; his sons, Earl Parks of Raleigh and Larry Parks of New Albany, Ind.; his sisters, Mrs. Helen Stroud of Rock Hill, S.C., Mrs. Kay Braman of Spartanburg, S.C., and Mrs. Mary Hardison of Raeford; his brothers, Ralph Parks of Charleston, S.C., Roy Parks of Meadow Vista, Calif., and Everett Parks of Stockton, Calif.; and seven grandchildren.

Lentz Mortuary was in charge of the arrangements.

Lonnie Chason

Lonnie M. Chason, 84, of Lumber Bridge died Thursday.

The funeral was conducted Saturday in Sandy Grove Methodist Church by the Rev. Russell Knowles and the Rev. Archie Barringer. Burial was in the church cemetery.

Surviving Mr. Chason are his sons, Charles M. Chason of Raeford, and Colon F. Chason of Lumber Bridge; his daughter, Mrs. Mary Clellon McKenzie of Lumber Bridge; his sisters, Mrs. Ree Glesson of Hendersonville, Mrs. Ruth Robbins of Columbia, Miss., and Mrs. Mary Alice Gilliam of Lexington, Miss., eight grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

Matthew McRae

The funeral for Matthew McRae, 72, of Raeford, who died November 28, was conducted Sunday afternoon in McLaughlin Chapel A.M.E. Zion Church by the Rev. Charles Chalmers. Burial was in Silver Grove Cemetery.

Surviving Mr. McRae are his wife, Mrs. Mamie McRae; and his sons, Matthew McRae, Jr., of Baltimore, Md., and Larry Peterkin of Lexington, Ky.

Mrs. Minnie Jones

The funeral for Mrs. Minnie Jones, 93, of New Jersey, formerly of Raeford, who died November 29, was conducted Saturday afternoon in Silver Grove Baptist Church by the Rev. W.K. Mitchell. Burial was in the church cemetery.

Surviving Mrs. Jones are her daughter, Mrs. Mable Moore of New Jersey; and her sons, Walter Jones of Fayetteville, and Jaddie and LaFayette Jones of New York.

Clarence G. Langdon

Clarence G. Langdon, 78, of Smithfield, a retired grocer, died December 1.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Maude Blackman Langdon; his sons, C. Glenn Langdon, Jr., of Raeford, director of the Hoke County school system Audio-Visual Department; his daughter, Miss Nancy Rose Langdon of Alexandria, Va.; his sisters, Mrs. Neva Cobb and Miss Helen Langdon of Clayton; and five grandchildren.

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NOTICE OF THIRD RESALE IN THE GENERAL COURT OF JUSTICE SUPERIOR COURT DIVISION BEFORE THE CLERK FILE NO. 82 SP 54 STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF HOKE

IN THE MATTER OF THE SALE OF LAND OF JAMES C. LENTZ and wife, LARUE B. LENTZ, UNDER FORECLOSURE OF DEED OF TRUST TO BOBBY BURNS McNEILL, TRUSTEE, RECORDED IN BOOK 197, at PAGE 143, HOKE COUNTY PUBLIC REGISTRY

WHEREAS, the undersigned, acting as Trustee, in a certain Deed of Trust executed by James C. Lentz and wife, Larue B. Lentz, and recorded in Book 197, at Page 143, in the Office of the Register of Deeds of Hoke County, foreclosed and offered for sale the land hereinafter described; and whereas within the time allowed by law, an advanced bid was filed with the Clerk of the Superior Court, and an order issued directing the Trustee to resell said land upon an opening bid of \$3,301.30 (THREE THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED ONE AND 30/100 DOLLARS)

NOW, THEREFORE, under and by virtue of said order of the Clerk of the Superior Court of Hoke County and the power of sale contained in said Deed of Trust, the undersigned Trustee, will offer for sale upon said opening bid at public auction to the highest bidder for cash at the door of the Hoke County Courthouse in Raeford, Hoke County, North Carolina, at 12:00 o'clock Noon on the 21st day of December, 1982, the following described property, located in the City of Raeford, Hoke County, North Carolina, and

BEGINNING at the northwest corner of Younger Snead residence premises in the south margin of Prospect Avenue, and runs thence South 1-30 West 150 feet to a stake; thence N 88-30 West 125 feet to a stake, O.L. Crowder's corner; thence as dividing line between said Crowder and Lentz, North 1-30 East 150 feet to a stake in the south margin of said Avenue, also Crowder's corner; thence along the margin of said Avenue, South 88-30 East 125 feet to the BEGINNING, running around and embracing the premises known and used as Lentz Mortuary and Funeral Home.

This being the same property conveyed to James C. Lentz and wife, Larue B. Lentz by Administrator of Veterans Affairs and as recorded in Book 196, at Page 100 of the Hoke County Public Registry to which reference is hereby made.

This sale will be made subject to all outstanding taxes, if any, and prior liens of record, if any.

This sale will be made subject to rights of the United States Government to redeem the property according to the Federal Tax Lien laws.

CASH DEPOSIT: Ten per cent (10%) of the first \$1,000.00 and five per cent (5%) on any additional amount bid will be required at the sale.

Done, the 30th day of November, 1982.

BOBBY BURNS McNEILL, TRUSTEE
33-34C

NOTICE OF SALE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF HOKE 82 SP 84

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain Deed of Trust executed by Timothy C. Taylor, Jr., to Bertie A. Parker, Jr., Trustee, dated the 18th day of March, 1981, and recorded in Book 217, Page 703, 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 of cash at the Courthouse door in Raeford North Carolina, at 12:00 Noon, on the 21st day of December, 1982, the land, as improved, conveyed in said Deed of Trust, the same lying and being in McLaughlin Township, Hoke County, North Carolina, and being more particularly described as follows:

BEGINNING at a point in the southern right-of-way margin of

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State Road No. 1422 S 86-48 W 348.21 feet from an iron stake at the intersection of said State Road No. 1422 with the western right-of-way of the Aberdeen and Rockfish Railroad; thence S 03-12 E 493.81 feet to a point; thence N 28-00 W 219.79 feet to point; thence N 03-12 W 294.28 feet to a point in the southern right-of-way margin of State Road No. 1422; thence with the southern right-of-way margin of State Road No. 1422 N 86-48 E. 92.17 feet to the BEGINNING.

This being a part of that five (5) acre tract conveyed to L & O Investments, Inc., as recorded on a Deed from Daniel DeVane and wife, as recorded in Book 196 at Page 702 of the Hoke County Public Registry. This being the same land acquired by the United States of America by Deed date July 18, 1977, and recorded in Deed Book 198 at Page 412 of the Hoke County Public Registry.

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

Dated this 30 day of Nov., 1982 THURMAN E. BURNETTE, Trustee, Substituted by that certain instrument recorded in Book 224, Page 141, Hoke County Registry, North Carolina. Bobby B. McNeill Agent 33-34C

NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION IN THE GENERAL COURT OF JUSTICE Before the Clerk File No. 82 SP STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF HOKE

IN THE MATTER OF THE ABANDONMENT OF DORSEY DOMANTA DUDLEY, minor

TO: Father of Dorsey Domanta Dudley, minor child born on November 8, 1981, said child's natural mother being Paulette Crawford of Hoke County, North Carolina.

Take notice that a petition seeking relief against you has been filed in the above-entitled action, wherein the petitioners, Tommie Dorsey Dudley and Barbara Jean Dudley, are seeking to have your minor child, named herein, to wit: Dorsey Domanta Dudley, declared to be abandoned by you and further requesting that the Court appoint the Director of the Department of Social Services of Hoke County as the guardian ad litem of said minor child for the purpose of giving or withholding consent in the adoption proceeding to be filed by the petitioners named herein above.

You are required to make defense to such pleading not later than the 12th day of January, 1983, said date being forty (40) days from the first publication of this notice, at the office of the Clerk of Court of Hoke County, North Carolina, in the Courthouse in Raeford, and upon your failure to do so, the petitioners seeking service and relief against you will apply to the Court for the relief sought.

This is the 23rd day of November, 1982.

Warren L. Pate Attorney for the Petitioners Post Office Drawer 688 127 West Edinborough Avenue Raeford, North Carolina 28376 Telephone: (919) 875-2137 32-34C

IN THE GENERAL COURT OF JUSTICE DISTRICT COURT DIVISION FILE NUMBER: 82 CVD 314 NORTH CAROLINA HOKE COUNTY

NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION

ROGER LEE DUDDEY

vs

WANDA FAYE DUDDEY

TO: WANDA FAYE DUDDEY

TAKE NOTICE THAT:

A pleading seeking relief against you has been filed in the above entitled action and notice of service of process by publication began on Thursday, Nov. 25, 1982.

The nature of the relief being sought is as follows: Child custody, child support, counsel fees and costs.

You are required to make defense to such pleading not later than forty (40) days after the date of the first publication of the notice stated above, exclusive of such date, and upon your failure to do so, the party seeking service of process by publication will apply to the court for the relief sought.

This is the 25th day of November, 1982.

Hubert Wooten, Attorney for Plaintiff 711 Fulton Street Raeford, North Carolina 28376 31-34C