



DROP AREA: This open area adjacent to the Raeford Airport is where parachuters from all over the world come to make jumps and compete. The land is owned by Gene Paul Thacker.

Airport Unsettled

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up, igniting more sparks between Thacker and the committee appointed to study the airport.

During a recent landing at the airport, the plane had to pull up and go around because parachutists were jumping very close to the runway.

Thacker claims this incident was the pilot's fault.

Anyone flying into the airport should know there is parachuting going on. It is listed on the flight maps, and the FAA Flight Service in Fayetteville also gives that information. Thacker told the city council last week.

"This incident happened, in my opinion, because the pilot did not try to contact anybody," Thacker said.

Thacker also claims that he hears about these incidents second-hand.

"No one contacts me about these incidents themselves, I have to hear them from somebody else," Thacker said.

Sam Motley Retires As Hoke ABC Officer

Hoke County ABC Officer Sam Motley announced his retirement last week in a special meeting of the Hoke County Law Enforcement Association.

Motley tendered his resignation as President of the Law Enforcement Association after he announced that he was retiring as ABC officer.

"I want to spend some time with my family, maybe take a few courses at the technical college, and do a little fishing," Motley said.

Motley is ready to retire after spending some 18 years as a law enforcement officer, he said.

From 1963-1970, Motley was employed as a Raeford Police Officer and prior to his leaving in 1970, he was named Assistant Police Chief.

After his seven years on the police force, Motley then was appointed as Special Deputy Sheriff assigned to McCain Hospital.

Motley spent over 11 years in that position before moving on to become the Hoke County ABC Officer.

Motley, who is a charter member of the Law Enforcement Association, will be greatly missed, Sheriff Dave Barrington said.

At the Board of Governor's meeting last week, Motley's years of service and contributions to the law enforcement occupation were recognized and honored, Barrington said.

"I have very much enjoyed my job and found it to be very satisfying, but now I want to devote my time to my family," Motley said.

Motley will be able to do just that when his resignation takes effect April 17.



RETIRING: Hoke County ABC Officer Sam Motley has announced his retirement after 18 years of service as a law enforcement officer.

Parker Promoted To Specialist 4

Cynthia L. Parker, daughter of Dennis H. and Margaret L. Lewis of 202 Richardson Ave., Red Springs, has been promoted in the U.S. Army to the rank of specialist four.

Parker is a supply specialist at Fort Knox, Ky., with the U.S. Army Armor Center and School Brigade.

Her husband, Ralph, is the son of Ernest and Lucille Parker of Route 1, Red Springs.

The specialist is a 1979 graduate of Red Springs High School.

FIRST HONOR SYSTEM. The first honor system of conducting examinations was introduced by the college of William and Mary, Williamsburg, Virginia, in 1779.

Hoke Grand Jury Indicts Woman On Murder Charge

A Fort Bragg woman was indicted Monday by a Hoke County Grand Jury on charges that she stabbed her stepfather to death.

Victoria S. Burnette, 22, who was indicted Monday for second degree murder for the slaying of her stepfather, Roger Keith Shannon, also received a reduction of bond last Friday in Hoke County District Court.

District Court Judge Joseph Dupree agreed to reduce the bond from \$50,000 to \$40,000, but as of press time, Burnette was still confined to the Cumberland County Jail.

Burnette has been confined in Cumberland County because Hoke County does not have jail facilities for women.

In an unrelated incident in district court last week, Thaddeus E. Jones was found guilty on two counts of worthless checks (fourth or subsequent offense) and one count of assault and inflicting serious injury.

Judge Dupree ordered Jones to be confined in the Hoke County Jail for no less than 12 months and no more than 12 months on the charge of assault.

In the worthless check charges, Judge Dupree ordered that Jones be confined for 30 days.

Jones gave notice of appeal in both cases.

In other action, Judge Dupree handed down these judgments.

--Lottie Cummings Jernigan, Fayetteville, driving on public street or highway with a blood alcohol level of 0.10% or more by weight, 60 days in jail.

--Daniel Ellube, Raeford, worthless check (simple), restitution of \$12 and court cost.

--Elmon Carpenter, Rt. 1, Raeford, by exceeding a safe speed, cost.

--Carl D. Vickers, Laurinburg, speeding (66-55), prayer for judgement upon payment of cost.

--Robert G. Heslip, Fayetteville, failing to stop at a stop sign, \$31 plus cost.

Pound Site Selected

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being considered as sites and presented the tape to the committee.

This was done so that the committee members would not have an excuse for not seeing the three areas before making a final decision, McGinnis said.

McGinnis also videotaped a shelter in Laurinburg to help the committee decide what type of facility to recommend.

At Wednesday night meeting, committee members viewed the tape of the shelter and came up with a recommendation for one proposed for Hoke County.

According to the recommendations, the building would be 1,924 square feet and would include; 20 dog runs, an office facility, internal parking for vehicles, two half baths, a treatment room for a veterinarian's use, a quarantine room for dogs, a facility for cats with separate cubby holes and a room just for puppies and pregnant dogs.

Members considered other areas and other facilities before coming to their final decision, McGinnis said.

The landfill, which is jointly operated by the city and the county, was one of the choices the committee mulled over, but it was the least favored of the three choices, the chairman said.

"The committee was very vocal in their opposition to the landfill," McGinnis said.

The stigma attached to the landfill as a "dump," in the committee's opinion, would discourage persons wanting to go to the site to look for an animal, McGinnis said.

Although the committee opposed the landfill, City Manager Ron Matthews felt it was the ideal location from an "administrative standpoint."

Using the landfill would be the most cost-efficient because the shelter and the landfill operation could share facilities, Matthews said.

"As far as the actual site, I see no problem with either one, but I believe the landfill has administrative advantages that the other property doesn't have," Matthews said.

According to McGinnis, the committee is not going to meet again until Monday night's commission meeting.

"We were appointed to come up with a site and a plan, and we've done that," McGinnis said.

The decision is now being placed in the hands of the county commissioners, Ginnis added.

--Kelvin O. Morrison, Rt. 3, Raeford, speeding (47-35), \$41 plus cost.

--Stephen M. Riddle, Fort Bragg, driving with a revoked license and speeding (68-55), no less than 181 days and no more than 181 days suspended for three years, \$200 plus cost and not operate a motor vehicle for three years unless properly licensed to do so.

--Earnest T. Parker, Red Springs, authorized person known to have revoked license to drive a vehicle, \$25 and cost.

--Carl J. Purcell, Rt. 3, Raeford, exceeding a safe speed, cost.

--Leroy McBride, Jr., Red Springs, improper passing, cost.

--Douglas Franklin Eller, Hickory, speeding (72-55), \$20 and cost.

--William Lucas, Fayetteville, exceeding a safe speed, cost.

--Polly D. Barnard, Fayetteville, speeding (68-55), prayer for judgement upon payment of cost.

--Mitchell Tyler, Red Springs, exceeding a safe speed, cost.

--William C. Hokanson, Jacksonville, speeding (78-55), \$35 and cost.

--David H. Cain, Fayetteville, failing to stop at a stop sign, prayer for judgement upon payment of cost.

--Ralph Blue Taylor, Long Beach, speeding (70-55), \$41.

--Robin Scott Phillips, Rt. 4, Raeford, speeding, (70-55) \$41.

--Mack R. Williams, Fort Bragg, speeding (59-45), \$41.

--Joseph R. Monroe, Raeford, speeding (65-55), \$36.

--William H. McMillan, N. Stewart Street, Raeford, appearing intoxicated in a public place and interfering with traffic, prayer for judgement upon payment of cost.

--David West, Rt. 4, Raeford, abandonment and non-support of wife and child, prayer for judgement upon payment of \$20 a week toward support of the child.

--Haywood L. McDonald, Rt. 1, Raeford, indecent exposure, two counts, no more than 181 days and no more than 181 days in Hoke County Jail, court recommended that McDonald be given a psychiatric examination upon admission to the Department of Correction.



STUDENT GOVERNMENT DAY: Amy Wilson, along with other Hoke High students participated in student government day last week. During the day these students took the place of the city officials and shared a lunch with them at the Hoke High cafeteria.

Local National Guardsmen Take M-1 Tank Training

On March 14, 31 newly enlisted North Carolina Army National Guardsmen will depart for Fort Knox, Kentucky for Basic Training and Advanced Individual Training as tank crewmen on the new M-1 Abrams Tank.

The new soldiers are assigned to the Southern Pines, Sanford, Albemarle, Red Springs and Laurinburg units of the 2-252d Armor Battalion headquartered in Raeford.

The North Carolina Army National Guard was notified in 1982 of the assignment to this national guard battalion of 63 of the new \$1.8 million tanks.

The M-1, which is the most modern of any U.S. armored

fighting vehicle, is noted for its survivability, improved firepower, ease of maintainability, and increased mobility and contains new highly sophisticated weapon systems.

Because of the skills required to operate and maintain the M-1, qualified men from southeastern North Carolina were sought to fill the new vacancies created by the need for expertise in these new military skills.

The buddy platoon will undergo approximately 14 weeks of combined Basic Training and Advanced Individual Training and will graduate as qualified tank crewmen for the M-1.

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