

...Paramedics

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According to Henley even that cost may be too high.
"Some counties get 50% state matched funds for this type of program," Henley added.
But despite all this, Henley admits, the cost may increase down the road, especially if the county buys the ambulance service.
"I still believe it is worth the ex-

pense if we save just one life," Henley said.
Of the 39.95 million people in the United States expected to have cardiac arrest, some will come from Hoke County, Henley said.
"If it were you or a family member going into cardiac arrest, you would feel differently about the paramedic program," Henley said.

Assault Charges Aired In District Court Case

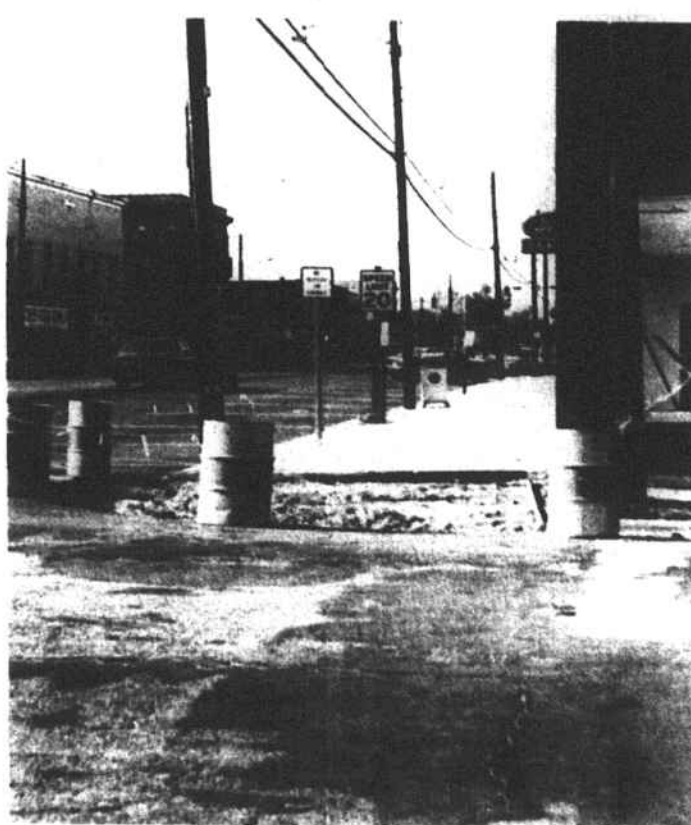
A Hoke County man was sentenced in District Court this week on charges of assaulting a female.
John Charles Baldwin of Rt. 3, Raeford was sentenced by District Court Judge Lacy S. Hair in one of only 10 cases tried this week.
Judge Hair issued a 90 day suspended sentence in Baldwin's case with the provision that he stay away from the prosecuting witness and pay the cost of the action.
In other court matters, Harold Teal of Raeford was given a prayer for judgement on charges that he obtained money under false pretenses.
Teal apparently obtained money from the United Carolina Bank (UCB) with the promise that he would do certain work and then failed to keep that promise.
Judge Hair issued the ruling on the condition that Teal pay the cost of the action and reimburse UCB in the amount of \$88.
All other cases heard in district court last week dealt with traffic

violations and these sentences were handed down by Judge Hair:
--Robert Archie White, Shelby, exceeding a safe speed, cost.
--Herbert Warne Wentworth, Greensboro, exceeding a safe speed, cost.
--Jennie Loncondo Killens, Red Springs, driving without being a licensed driver, 30 days suspended, \$25 and cost of the action, not to operate a vehicle until properly licensed.
--David Jerry Harris, Rt. 2, Raeford, failing to drive on the right half of the road, cost.
--Roger Lee Pyle, Rockingham, unsafe movement, cost.
--James Dixon Teachey, Wallace, speeding (47-35), prayer for judgement upon payment of cost.
--Martha McGeachy Beatty, 511 Grant Ave., Raeford, exceeding posted speed, cost.
--Frankie Townsend, Red Springs, speeding (49-35), prayer for judgement upon payment of cost.

Pate Named To Head Local Bar Association

A Hoke County lawyer has been elected president of the 12th Judicial District Bar that is composed of lawyers from Hoke and Cumberland counties.
Warren L. Pate, who has lived in Raeford since 1974, was elected president last month by his fellow lawyers within the district bar.
Pate, a native of Erwin, N.C. attended Wake forest University for undergraduate studies and later attended the law school at Wake.
After graduating from law school, Pate spent four years in the U.S. Army in the Judge Advocate General's Corps which is the Army's corps for lawyers.

Pate's election means that he will now preside over meetings of the bar and "take care of other things that might crop up during the year."
"I am really flattered by all this, and hope I can do a good job," Pate said.
BENEDICT ARNOLD. Benedict Arnold, the American Revolutionary general whose name became a synonym for "traitor," distinguished himself as an American soldier before selling out to the British. He played a major role in the American victory at Saratoga, in 1777.



Improvements underway
Several sidewalk corners running along Main Street are being blocked off by the yellow and orange barrels for the next couple of weeks. The reason for all this is that the City of Raeford is spending some of its already budgeted money to install wheelchair and handicap ramps. This is part of an effort to get downtown revitalization going, Raeford City Manager Ron Matthews said. According to Matthews, the contractors for the job began work Monday and hopes that the job will be completed within a week or 10 days.

Juvenile Grabbed For Shoplifting

For the third week, a Hoke County youth has been picked up by local police and charged with shoplifting.
According to Police Chief Leonard Wiggins, an 11-year old apparently stole two packs of bubble gum and a candy bar from the A & P store located in the Edinborough Shopping Center.
The youth was turned over to the juvenile authorities for disposition, Wiggins said.
In other city crime, Clyde Register of Raeford, reported that someone had stolen four hubcaps off his car while parked in the A & P parking lot.
According to Chief Wiggins, the matter is still under investigation.
--Al Crittend of 204 E. Edinborough Avenue reported that someone had stolen a bicycle from his home on May 3.
According to Wiggins, the stolen

bicycle was recovered from the Pig and Chicken Restaurant on the 401 by-pass but no one was arrested.
In county action, The Friendship Grove Freewill Baptist Church reported that someone had gone through a back window of the church and taken a drum set and miscellaneous frozen foods from the facility.
An investigation into the matter is continuing at this time.
In further business, Jack Ramsey of Rt. 4, Raeford reported that someone had stolen a lawn mower from his back yard. No suspects have been identified at this time, sheriff's reports say.

Old Hoke Firm Changes Hands

One of Hoke County's oldest companies has changed ownership.
Hoke Oil and Fertilizer Co. Inc. has been sold to local investors and will operate under the name of Hoke Concrete Works, President Clyde Upchurch Jr. said Monday.
Hoke Oil and Fertilizer Company Inc. was founded in 1913 as a cottonseed oil mill. J.W. Johnson served as the firm's first president and was succeeded in 1916 by T.B. Upchurch who led the company until his death in 1946, except for a two year interim when J.C. Thomas served as president.
At his father's death in 1946, Lewis Upchurch became president and under his leadership Hoke Concrete Works was developed and expanded into one of the state's largest producers of light weight Concrete Masonry Units.
Many of the schools, churches, industrial and military buildings in Southeastern North Carolina are constructed with quality block manufactured by Hoke Concrete Works.
At the death of Lewis Upchurch, T.B. Upchurch Jr. was elected President and Archie Howard served as Executive Vice President until his death in 1970.
Clyde Upchurch Jr. was elected as executive vice president and general manager in 1970 and was elected President in 1979 upon the

retirement of T.B. Upchurch Jr. He has served the company for 44 years as cotton seed buyer, gin manager, sales manager, Executive Vice President and as President. He will continue to assist the new company in Sales Promotion and as a consultant and advisor.
The New Company will be managed by Gary Mauney who has been associated with Hoke Concrete Works as assistant manager and dispatcher for the past 10 years.
Mauney has had wide experience in daily operations of the plant which employs 18 men as production workers and truck drivers.
Mrs. Ester Teal serves the company as its secretary and bookkeeper. She has over 25 years of service.
James E. Baker is general Superintendent and has been with the company over 40 years.
Hoke Concrete Works is a charter member of the National Concrete Masonry Association and also of the North Carolina Concrete Masonry Association.
Hoke Oil and Fertilizer Company will begin a 12 month plan of liquidation during which time the assets of the corporation will be distributed to the stockholders.

...Schools

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Other suggestions included having a book day for people in the community to donate old books to the schools for use in the classroom and library.
"All these things are worthwhile and cost little to nothing," Nelson said, noting that little things make a difference in the appearance of the schools.
The board appeared enthusiastic about the program and unanimously endorsed the "Boot Strap proposal."
In other board action, preliminary budget figures were introduced by school finance officer Don Steed.

The board voted to include in the 1983-84 budget a \$20,000 allocation for the start of an ROTC program at Hoke High school.
"We need a variety of programs to meet the needs of the kids," Vice-Chairman Mina Townsend said, emphasizing that the ROTC program would benefit those who did not wish to be involved with the college preparatory classes.
"I think it is a very worthwhile program and money well worth spending to get ROTC in Hoke County," Assistant Superintendent John McAllister said.
The board also voted to hold a special meeting dealing with the budget proposals, Monday May 23 at 7:30 p.m.

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