

A rose is a rose

It may not be a championship flower but this rose has stood up to the wilting heat and pouring rain and remains

.Crash Probed

(Continued from page 1A) alleged call from the FAA around 3:30 a.m., some five hours after

the accident apparently happened. Posey also said that rescue squad member Kemp Crumpler found the plane around 4:30 a.m. but the pilot was not in the vicini-

Thacker says that his son spotted the plane much earlier.

Morgan, who was injured slightly in the crash, refused to go to the hospital, Thacker said.

According to Thacker, Morgan was "lucky to be alive.

The plane was totaled, but Morgan received only minor injuries, Thacker said.

Witnesses at the crash scene noted blood on the interior of the plane and on the pilot's door.

"He looked like he had been in a good fist fight," Thacker said.

Although no more details about the crash are known, Fayetteville authorities are "checking into the matter," and Atlanta authorities are "getting an investigation underway.

According to Hoffheins, no one at the FAA offices seems to know anything about the crash.

"At this point, you have more information than we do," Hoffheins said.

A spokesman for the Hoke County Sheriff's Department said Tuesday, that the department had not investigated and was unaware of the crash until Monday.

.PCB Cleanup Vowed

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North Carolian is in Alabama, Horne said.

Another site, located in the Ashley Heights area, is where Wilson admits burying battery cas-

It has been recommended by state and local officials that Wilson clean up this site as well.

The burial site for the battery casings will have to be cleaned up. Horne said.

At this point, recommendations are that Wilson clear the surface of the bits and pieces of crushed battery casings.

Horne also said that Wilson would be allowed to dig up battery casings for recycling.

State and local health officials

are also keeping an eye on a fourth battery storage site, Horne said.

That site is near the others and in a wooded area. The casings are stacked above the ground, Horne

If casings are not sellable at this time, Wilson could store them lined with plastic until a market is found, Horne said, adding that the lining would protect any leaching or run off into the soil.

"Those areas will also be tested," Horne said.

"If these sites show any traces of metal, then that area will be heavily treated with lime and perhaps some top soil," Horne added.

According to Horne, state laboratory reports show that high levels of lead in two of the three PCB sites have also been found.

At the Della Wilson site, some 300 parts per million were discovered, that amount is 60 times higher than the lowest level con-

sidered hazardous. The battery burial site showed 10.5 parts per million which is two times the state required level for

safe drinking water, Horne said. Levels of five parts per million

are considered hazardous. On a local level, the main concern seems to be getting the sites cleaned up and according to Horne, Wilson is doing just that. "If all these things aren't done

or can't be done then there will probably be some decision left to be made about fines," Horne said. "We won't have anything to do

with the fining. The state will take care of that," Horne added.

Hungry Burglar Nabs Meal

An apparent hunger pain forced someone to break into a trailer and consume \$10 worth of groceries.

According to Police Chief Leonard Wiggins, Archie Wade Wright Jr., reported that someone broke into a trailer on a Fulton Street construction site, devoured \$10 worth of groceries before leav-

A window screen was damaged in the trailer, Wiggins said.

In other police action. McVicker of 315 Crawford Street reported that someone had taken a bicycle from her vard.

Investigations into these two reports are underway, Wiggins

The sheriff's report showed the following crimes reported over the last three weeks:

-- Harry McAllister, Rt.1, Raeford, reported that someone had broke in the back door of his residence and removed a pellet gun and cash.

-- Bobby Posey, Rt. 2, Raeford, reported that someone broke the lock off his door and took jewelry and stereo equipment from his residence.

--Stacy Brown Hobson, Rt.1,

Raeford, reported that someone removed a chain saw and skill saw from the back of his truck.
--West Hoke School reported

that someone had broken windows, entered the building, turned over furniture and generally vandalized a classroom.

--Perry McBryde, Rt. 4, Raeford, reported that someone had stolen a Honda three-wheeler from his shed.

-- Robert Frederick Avery, Dunn, reported that someone had cut the lock off his airplane door and removed the radio out of the

Raeford Wins Fourth Award For Excellence

North Carolina Governor Jim Hunt announced that Raeford has been named a winner of the Governor's Community of Excellence Award for the fourth time.

Governor Hunt will present the award to an official of Raeford at a statewide economic development conference on October 19 in Raleigh.

Hunt said, "My congratulations to community leaders for winning the award. Building an economic development organization is one of the best things a community can do to attract industry or encourage expansions.

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The award goes to communities with under 15,000 people which have met requirements designed to make them more attractive to economic development. The Communities of Excellence

Award is administered by the North Carolina Department of Commerce. Communities must qualify for the award each year. The following are some of the

standards communities must meet to receive the award: -- An economic promotional organization must exist to promote

the community for industrial plant

A development corporation must exist, with the ability to option, purchase and sell property. Industrial sites must available.

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representatives visit each com-munity to assure the standards have been met.

Winning communities will receive highway signs designating them as winners. They are also given special promotional attention when working with industries looking for a plant site in North



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