

...Takeover Muled

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ed," Rescue Squad member Mark Posey said.
During Tuesday's meeting, the commissioners also authorized County Manager James Martin to purchase two ambulances and emergency equipment as "quickly as possible" and to be on stand-by to get personnel "if needed."
Whether Henley will break the contract is a hard one to call, Hunt

said, noting that he was against giving Henley an earlier subsidy increase of more than \$60,000.
During Monday's executive session, Henley offered to sell the county his three ambulances and equipment for \$35,000.
Although the offer might be attractive to the county, the deal would be delayed as a result of Henley's pending bankruptcy, Martin said.

...Soil To Be Removed

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pletely, I personally would recommend that no fines be submitted, but I am not the only one to make that decision," Dover said.
"Moving this soil is going to cost a significant amount of money," Dover said.
Dover also ruled out the

possibility of lead reaching any drinking water.
"I don't think that is very likely," Dover said.
Thus far Wilson has complied with state demands that he clean the areas.
Wilson could not be reached for comment.

...Service Maintained

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two fulltime crews. The new county-owned service will have one crew on duty with another on call.
"At any time we could move to two crews, if we find we need them," Commission Chairman John Balfour said.

Bill Niven and will field complaints about the new service.
The new panel will be appointed at the next week's commission meeting, and one of the doctors will serve on the advisory body.
During a meeting last week, the commissioners decided to place the service under the direction of Niven, who will also co-ordinate the activities of the civil preparedness office and of the rural fire departments.

The new service will cost taxpayers an estimated \$163,852, County Manager James Martin said.

Niven accepted the position last week and attended Monday's meeting.

With two full crews on duty, the cost would have soared to \$230,403, Martin said.

By maintaining the EMT-I status of the ambulance service, the commission members left open the possibility of a future upgrading of the service to a paramedic unit.

Although no action was taken Monday, Martin also has suggested an increase in fees charged to the users of the service.

"The nation is moving away from rescue squads to paramedic units. They save lives," Moore Memorial Hospital Emergency Room Chief Dr. Ron Milewski told the commissioners.

Under the proposal, fees would increase from \$35 to \$55 per pickup and from \$1 per mile to \$1.50.

Just because Hoke is a rural county is no reason that residents should not demand the best medical care available, Milewski said.

During the two-hour public meeting, the commissioners also decided:

"You can't afford to have less than a big city," he added.

To purchase two new ambulances for the service.

Heart attack victims may suffer death or at the least severe brain damage, if they are not resuscitated in a short period of time, Milewski said.

To establish an Emergency Medical Advisory Commission to oversee the operation of the new service.

Paramedics have the ability to revive the patients, he said.

To use the battalion area of the old National Guard Army as a location for the new service.

Within the next two years, Cape Fear Valley Hospital will be offering the paramedic training to Hoke and Cumberland County residents, a spokesman said.

By taking the action Monday, the commission members closely followed recommendations proposed by the county's three doctors.

In a letter to the commission, Drs. Robert G. Townsend, Riley M. Jordan and Ramnik Zota recommended continuing the service at its present level, a more expeditious transport of patients to hospitals, an advisory commission, reduced crew time and the use of an EMT as the driver while the EMT-I works with patients.

In keeping with the doctors' recommendation, the commissioner decided to establish a five-member advisory panel which will assist emergency operations chief



Getting ready for election time
Deputy Clerk Betty Cook swears in county residents who have been selected to be registrars for the upcoming election. Judges for the various precincts within the county were also sworn in.

...Around Town

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half-mast last week was at the post office. According to Wilson Governor Jim Hunt had proclaimed a day for them to be flown at half-mast and they were not on the flag poles that way. He stated that no flags were flown at the schools of the county.
He suggested that some organization or the Chamber of Commerce should coordinate these days that flags should be flown and especially when they should be at half-mast. This is not a bad idea.

the office. A feature story was in the paper telling about the city of Morrison, Colorado proclaiming a week's celebration and called it Art Gore Week. Art's full name is Arthur D. Gore, Jr., whose sister, Mrs. Charles Hostetler, nee Ann Gore, lives on West Elwood Avenue.

manding officer in World War II, was present at the banquet.

September 1st was Art Gore's birthday and this was a nice birthday present from the people of Colorado and the city of Morrison. The city is about 20 minutes from Denver.
Gore is a photographer and two seminars were held during the week and school children came from all over the state to view his work. They also brought work that they had done in school. He has published two or more books, one of which was mentioned in this column several years ago. It is now in the Hoke County Library.

the New York Institute of Photography. Instead my father shipped me off to Wake Forest in Winston-Salem, hoping I would follow in his footsteps."

Art said his father, who was a lawyer, thought being a photographer was on the same level as a bartender. So he taught himself the hard way. He trained himself.

The Gores lived during Art's stay in Raeford, on North Magnolia Street across from the Presbyterian Manse.

Congratulations to Arthur Gore on his fine work and his day. Also thanks to Luke McNeill and Ann Hostetler for the information.

Yes, Hoke natives make names for themselves.

Most of us have become too lax in respect for our national anthem and our flag. It is good to see that some people still have concern for our heritage.

Mrs. Hostetler and her sister, Mrs. Gwen Gore Senior of Chapel Hill went to Colorado for the celebration. They attended a banquet of 150 people in Morrison where Art Gore was roasted by his fellow townspeople. Also Gov. Lamm of Colorado issued a proclamation declaring September 1, 1983 as Art Gore Day in Colorado. The two sisters went to Denver with their brother to receive a plaque from the governor.

Gore states in the newspaper feature: "When I came back from World War II, I wanted to go to

Books To Open For City Race

The filing books for candidates seeking a position on the Raeford City Council are scheduled to open on Friday.

Filing books will open at the Hoke County Board of Elections office at noon and remain open

until noon on October 7.

All five council seats and the mayors office will be up for grabs during this non-partisan election to be held on November 8.

The last day to register to vote for the election will be October 10.

The most enjoyment I get out of writing this column is when you can write about the accomplishment of a local citizen or a native of the county. This happened last week when Luke McNeill brought a newspaper from Colorado into

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