



Raeford man found guilty of assaulting highway patrolmen

A Raeford man was found guilty last week of assaulting an officer. The judgment took place during the September 4 and 5 session of District Court, the Honorable Patricia Timmons-Goodson presiding.

Robert Chester Cunningham, 32, 1235 Fuller St., Raeford, was found guilty of assaulting Trooper D.H. Monroe while the officer was attempting to arrest Cunningham for a motor vehicle violation.

Records say Cunningham was also found guilty of assaulting Trooper B.T. Bury while attempting to arrest Cunningham for assaulting Trooper Monroe.

Other offenses Cunningham was found guilty of include refusing to exhibit his driver's license; resisting, obstructing and delaying Trooper Monroe by walking away; and refusing to obey the commands given by Trooper Monroe while the officer was attempting to enforce the motor vehicle laws relating to driving on the right side of the road.

Cunningham was sentenced to two years, suspended, and placed on supervised probation for four years. A special condition of probation is that he serve an active prison term of 90 days.

Records say Cunningham must pay a \$250 fine and perform 100 hours community service.

Cunningham appeared the sentence and his secured bond was set at \$16,000.

In his concluding statement, Cunningham's lawyer, Angus Thompson, said that there was some reason to doubt Cun-

ingham's guilt "based on conflicting evidence".

Records say that Cunningham was apprehended at 2:45 a.m., August 3 in the Jones Hill area of Raeford, near Scotland Avenue and Main Street.

Thompson stated that Cunningham had not previously been convicted of any driving offense on the highway.

He further stated that when Monroe pursued Cunningham, following at 30 yards, it was on an unmarked road and Thompson questioned whether or not it could be discerned that Cunningham had crossed over the center line.

Monroe said during his testimony that when he first noticed Cunningham crossing over the center line, Monroe was driving toward him on RP 1473 and was coming toward him on the road.

He said he turned around in the driveway and followed Cunningham, attempting to overtake him in order to see if he was driving while impaired.

According to Monroe's testimony, the officer activated his blue light while Cunningham was pulling into his driveway. Monroe pulled up behind Cunningham and both men got out of their cars.

Monroe said he repeatedly told Cunningham that he needed to see his driver's license and Cunningham would not comply.

Monroe stated that Cunningham said he was in his own yard and there was nothing Monroe could do to him. After telling Cunningham to approach the patrol car and not receiving cooperation,

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Well-dressed family
The Howell family, from left, Kim, Sarah-Ann, and Tom, show their support for the Second Annual North Carolina Turkey Festival by wearing festival T-shirts on Monday. Many citizens wore their T-shirts in anticipation of the festival to be held September 18-20 in Raeford.

Council prepares for event

Members of the City Council prepared for the second annual North Carolina Turkey Festival by receiving a progress report from Evelyn Manning, festival committee chairman at their meeting Monday night.

Manning thanked the council for their support during preparations for the festival and said that people were very enthusiastic about the upcoming event.

"Community spirit has been super and everyone wants to help," Manning said.

The council discussed plans for the festival parade for which there are 70 units scheduled, according to Manning. Approximately 60 craftspeople and vendors are also scheduled to display their works during the festival.

Manning reported that there has been recent advertisements for the festival in the well-known periodical Carolina Farmer.

In other business, the council granted a request from J.W. Turlington PTA representative Mack Sessions for \$2,000 to go toward a project for air conditioning in the Turlington auditorium.

The action, which will require a budget amendment, was moved by Councilman Vardel Hedgpeth and seconded by Councilman Earl McDuffie.

Sessions business, Raeford Plumbing and Heating Company, will be doing much of the labor in-

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Deputies make cocaine bust

A Raeford man was arrested for possession of cocaine at his home last month, according to records of the Hoke County Sheriff's Department.

John Samuel Malloy, 28, Lot 8, North Raeford Mobile Home Park, Raeford, was arrested for three controlled substances charges after a search of his house by County deputies on August 25.

After receiving information from a confidential source, Deputy Mark High went to Malloy's house with a search warrant. High was accompanied by Deputy Hardin, Deputy Allen and Deputy McElveen.

After serving the warrant, the officers searched the premises and found approximately two grams cocaine, less than one-half ounce of marijuana and an assortment of paraphernalia.

After a complete search Malloy was arrested for maintaining a dwelling for selling a controlled substance, possession of drug paraphernalia and misdemeanor possession of marijuana.

Malloy was released on a \$20,400 bond.

In an unrelated incident, Henry Holt, 30, Raeford and Terrell Williams, Raeford were knifed at

the Caution Light game room on September 9.

A report filed by Deputy Clarence Patterson stated that he received a call from Vick Beard at 9:30 p.m. at the Hoke Medical Center that there were two men who had been cut.

Upon arrival, Patterson discovered that the men said they did not want to press charges or make a statement.

William D. McPhaul, North Edinborough, Red Springs, reported the larceny of his trailer from his farm, on Route 2, Red Springs near Duffy Red Springs.

The trailer was apparently towed away from the premises sometime between 10 a.m., September 1 and 8 a.m., August 4.

Records say the trailer had no serial number or license tag.

According to records at the Police Department, A.J. Lundy, 602 East Donaldson, Raeford reported that someone broke into his home sometime between 4:54 p.m. and 6:30 a.m. on September 2.

Records say the subject entered the home by removing an air conditioning unit and going into the house through the window.

A watch and currency were

taken, totalling a value of \$155.

Oral Singletary, 506 E. Grant Avenue, Raeford, reported that someone pulled the lock off the storage building next to his house and took merchandise from the building.

Records say a subject broke into the building between 6:45 a.m. and 1:38 p.m. on September 2 and took the property, including clothes, a metric tool set and a volt meter.

The property taken had a value of \$974.

Billie Morrison, Route 2, Raeford, reported that his car, 1985 Chevrolet, had been vandalized while parked in the A & P store parking lot around 10:30 on September 1.

Damage to the car, a crack in the windshield and scratches on the body, were discovered.

Property, having a total value of \$370, including a tool box and eight track tapes, was taken from the car.

Jerry Tedder, East Elwood Ave., Raeford, reported that someone had taken his 1980 Suzuki dirt bike, worth \$300, from his driveway.

Records say the bike was discovered missing at 7 a.m. on September 1.

Around Town

Sam Morris

The weather is about normal for this time of year with the temperatures being in the 70s and 80s during the day and in the 60s at night. The rain last Friday was in showers and it didn't bring the lightning and thunder of a few weeks ago.

The forecast is for the same type of weather for the remainder of the week.

I hated to read a couple of weeks ago that my friend, Cliff Blue of

Aberdeen, had decided to stop writing his column, People and Issues, on a weekly basis. I was looking forward to reading it for the same number of years that we published D. Scott Poole's column, Poole's Medley in *The News-Journal*. Mr. Poole was writing in his 90s.

I became acquainted with Cliff in the 1930s when we set type for his paper here in Raeford. He later bought a linotype and printed in

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Literacy is honored at Sunday observance

Literacy and its supporters were honored at a special observance September 7 at Raeford United Methodist Church.

The 3 p.m. program was opened by Hoke Reading-Literacy Council chairman J.D. McAllister.

Anna Jordan explained that this observance was the first official Literacy Sunday in North Carolina, although the day has been observed in Hoke County for seven years.

Reverend C. Ansley, Pastor, Antioch Presbyterian Church in-

roduced the speaker A.P. Perkinson, president, St. Andrews College.

Perkinson said that, "literacy is finally getting the attention it deserves."

"There is a terrible cost to society and the individual of not being able to read," Perkinson said and noted that these losses were evident in the economy, international competition, employment and in use of welfare programs which "perpetuated dependency."

"We are rearing an underclass

which has no chance to break out of their situation," Perkinson said. "The gap is widening between the literate and the illiterate."

Perkinson stated that 20 percent of the people in the U.S. have not finished eighth grade and that one-fourth of the people in North Carolina are in this predicament.

The numbers are greater for those who have not completed high school: 30 percent in the U.S., 45 percent in North Carolina.

Perkinson said that the experience of not being able to read became very real to him during a trip to Korea. Not being able to read the street signs, he was helplessly lost in a city.

He compared this sense of being lost to what illiterate people go through in the U.S.

"Of all the handicaps we need to overcome, illiteracy is the greatest of all."

On St. Andrews College campus, six percent of the students are not able to walk and use wheelchairs. Perkinson has observed people in this situation desiring to travel across campus by their own efforts.

"Unlike these students, illiterate people cannot do it on their own," Perkinson said. "They need help."

Recognition was given during the program to several supporters of the literacy program.

Service awards were given to Raz Autry, Willie Featherstone,

Tom Howell and Emma Mims.

The "Student of the Year" was Maggie Graham.

"Tutor of the Year" is Charlotte MacDonald. "Supporter of the Year" is Mrs. J.M. Andrews and "Canvasser of the Year" is Callie Buie.

A special presentation was made to Luke McNeill for his media assistance and support for the literacy program.

Canvassers in the Dollars for Literacy program were recognized. They are: Flora Holmes, Anne Hostetler, Callie Buie, Lois Austin, Pearl Preece, Mary L. McKinnon, Jackie McKinnon, Arlie McPhatter, Q. Ester Hollingsworth, Margaret McLaughlin, Elizabeth Cole, Willie Mae Graham, Maggie Hunt, Evelyn Quick, Beatrice Smith, Annie B. Dudley, Barbara Buie, Alisha Peterkin, Marie McCormick, Nellie Flowers, Clara Daniels and Brietta Smith.

Canvassers raised more than \$1,825 for the literacy program in Hoke County. Project director Buie announced there would be a tutor training session starting September 15. The sessions will be 6 to 9 p.m. on September 15, 17, 22 and 24. Please call the Literacy-Reading Council (875-2145) for details.

Music for the program was provided by Peter Ansley.

A reception followed in the fellowship hall.



Literacy Sunday
Literacy project director Barbara Buie, left, Rev. C. Ansley and Ethelynde Ballance, refreshment chairman, enjoy a reception following the literacy Sunday observance Sunday at the Raeford United Methodist Church.

Turkey Festival highlights

The Festival for 1986 is upon us! Perhaps before you even receive next week's edition of *The News-Journal* we will be underway with this fantastic opening day activities, Thursday, September 18th.

You'll want to be at the Library at 10:30 a.m. on opening day for the kick-off ceremonies, featuring N.C. Commissioner of Agriculture Jim Graham. He was both entertaining and informative last year.

The 4th Annual N.C. Turkey Cooking Contest is something you cooks and connoisseurs don't want to miss. Lots of creative ways to use the turkey for your own enjoyment. And the Cooking Seminar will help your meal planning, too! Both of these activities will occur at the Library ... Seminar at 11:00 a.m. Cooking Contest at noon. Then, other things throughout the afternoon on the Library Grounds.

Be early for the 5:30 Grand Parade down Main Street on Thursday. Come at 5:00 p.m. for a special parachuting demonstration at the Library - where our "Official" N.C. Turkey Festival Flag will "Fall Out of the Sky"!

Oh, what a Parade! Maybe the biggest parade ever in Raeford, with over 70 units and lots of new surprises! Ever see a Steam Calliope? Know what it is? Is it a big turkey pressure cooker or something else? We'll have one in the parade ... and much, much more!

Plan on going right to the Turkey Dinner at Hoke High School, Gibson Cafeteria straight from the parade. You can't afford not to! Only \$4.00 for a complete meal. You can't get up Friday morning for more good "Stuff" on an empty stomach...and watch the "Old-Timers" square-dance until they get "Turkey-Tired"!

You may know that volunteers are needed to help in the Depot during the festival days, and even before for some of the preparations. If you can help, call Turkey Festival Headquarters at the Depot on 875-5929.

During the week of the festival, beginning September 15th, a special showing of still photography work by Luke McNeill will be on display in the Depot. Please drop in to see how this local historian has captured the dignified images of a number of buildings and scenes in our community. You'll be "proud" of us and excited about his work. Good thing to show visitors or houseguests, too!

Carnival, Carnival! Watch the parking lot at the A&P for the Jaycee's traveling carnival, September 17-20. The kids will enjoy and part of the proceeds help to support the Festival.

Remember - A "Clean Place" is a "Happy Place." Let's all work together on litter - before, during and after our guests arrive.