



**End of the line**

What a sight to be greeted with while driving around Hoke County. All of a sudden, there is no more road, just trees staring into the face of the stunned driver. Actually, the road just drops a bit and curves.

This stretch of road is just out of Raeford. It is the east end of Prospect Avenue.

# ...Road backed

(Continued from page 1A) making 401 a priority," Gravette said.

To county officials, the letter from Lindsay could mean the difference between getting the widening project on the priority list or not.

"I'm tickled to death that he's (written the letter)," Hoke County Commissioner Wyatt Upchurch said.

"That is what it's going to take," he said.

County Commission Chairman John Balfour and former Chamber of Commerce President Steve Parker also believe the letter will help the effort to get the highway widened.

"I'm sure the letter will help," said Balfour.

"I think it's going to add to our credibility," Parker said.

"Highway 401 is a dangerous highway, and it is not even recognized by the state," Parker said.

Parker is recommending that the original committee that went to Raleigh to seek help with 401 re-gather to follow-up on the project.

That committee consisted of Balfour, Upchurch, County Commission Vice-Chairman James Albert Hunt, State Representative Danny DeVane and Parker.

The committee needs to ask the help of Congressman Bill Hefner, Parker said.

"Hefner needs to do something for Hoke County," said Parker.

"We need a favor."

In the recent election, Hefner barely won his bid for the Congressional seat by 4,000 votes. His margin was about 2,000 votes in Hoke County.

"The first thing that needs to be done is to get 401 back on the priority list," according to Parker.

"We need to go to Hefner and influence him to get it back on the list," he said.

When the 401 Committee went to Raleigh to meet with state officials on the matter, DOT Secretary Roberson said an endorsement by Ft. Bragg officials would "most definitely" help in getting the road back on the priority list, according to Parker.

The State DOT Board met last Friday, but 401 was not mentioned in the meeting, Highway Administrator Billy Rose said.

"There was no reason for it to be brought up at that meeting," Rose said.

"It (401) has been under active consideration for the past few months, and it will be brought up at the December meeting when the priority list is updated," Rose said.

# ...Around Town

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She lives in Oklahoma and has had to make several trips to North Carolina.

After reading the letter last Saturday night my thoughts went back many years to a time when this lady and her older sister were in my Sunday School class here, I taught the Senior Highs at that time.

We would like to share this letter with our readers:

The letter follows:

Dear Mr. Morris,

I wanted to tell the friends in Raeford how I feel, so I thought it best to write it down in a letter to you.

The Citizens of Raeford ought to be proud of themselves! I have lived many places in the past 20 years, but Raeford tops them all in several categories. Most military communities, as I have lived in, have a special closeness or bond simply because of "the one-in-the-same goal." But here in Raeford, you people have that "extra" special closeness even with varied interests in town.

Living with my father for three

weeks, I've been exposed to the genuine, loving concern expressed for Daddy shown through personal visits, invitations to meals, phone calls, gifts and cards.

Most of this world moves in a steady pace of self concern. But the people of Raeford have given of themselves in unselfishness. I believe this is due largely to each person showing and putting into practice your love of the Lord and His teachings. You have a strong church based community, and you practice what you preach.

I do so appreciate the kindness shown me while I have been in Raeford, and want to thank you for the genuine love shown our family this year, especially since May.

I can never express enough gratitude and admiration to all the friends in Raeford.

Most Sincerely,  
Ann Gatlin Beach  
Thanks Ann, for the kind words about the people of Raeford, there is no place like it!

Next week a couple of items of old times. Please tune in!

# Seagrove Pottery Festival this Sunday

The third annual Seagrove Festival will be held, Sunday November 18, at Seagrove School.

The event, set from 1 to 7 p.m., will feature potters and other traditional craftspeople from the Seagrove area. Each craft will be demonstrated by the respective craftspeople.

Crafts to be included are: doll-making, candle dipping, chair caning, oil painting, and watercolors, blacksmithing, stenciling, rug hooking, pine needles, spinning, weaving, hand-tied fringe, tinsmithing, wood carving, basketry, toys, tatting, quilting, and miniatures.

Featured at the event will be Laura Teague Moore, a third

generation potter at the Teague homeplace. She is the daughter of James G. (Jim) Teague, a potter in the Westmore community of Seagrove, and Mary Ola Brown Teague. Her grandfather, John Wesley Teague, was a potter at the turn of the 20th century. Mrs. Moore and her husband, Wayne, are carrying on the family tradition of producing fine quality pottery as did her ancestors.

The Moores operate Pot Luck Pottery in Seagrove.

Mrs. Moore and other tradi-

tional craftspeople will be demonstrating their craft for the public.

The festival is sponsored by the Museum of North Carolina Traditional Pottery, which will be built in Seagrove. The museum's board of directors are interested in preserving the rich traditional heritage of the Piedmont and Seagrove area potters.

An auction will begin at 5 p.m. Limited edition pottery signed by the potters will go for auction. A certificate will be issued with each

piece of pottery that is purchased. The certificate will be permanently recorded in the museum.

Admission is \$2.00 per person. Children under 12 will be admitted free of charge if accompanied by an adult.

Barbecue and hot dogs will be served during the afternoon. The town of Seagrove and the Seagrove Public Library are in charge of the food.

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