

**Don't drop it**

This is the potato race. The object is to get to the finish line first without dropping your potato out of

the spoon. Yes, athletes had to carry their respective vegetables in a spoon while running. Even the most

co-ordinated adults might have problems doing that. The runner on the right made it almost all the

way to the finish line before his spoon let him down.



**Shades of the "A-Team"**

What's he doing here? For those of you who think Mr. T. is only on television, guess again. He was at the Hoke County Special Olympics, or at least his special press agent was. This is really Lee Byrd Morrissey, a resident of Raeford and a dead ringer for the big man himself. Lee's a pretty big guy too. Morrissey gave freely of his time and energy for the Special Olympics. He hugged and congratulated winners and even spent about an hour giving out metals and ribbons. Receiving a metal from Mr. T. made the children compete harder.



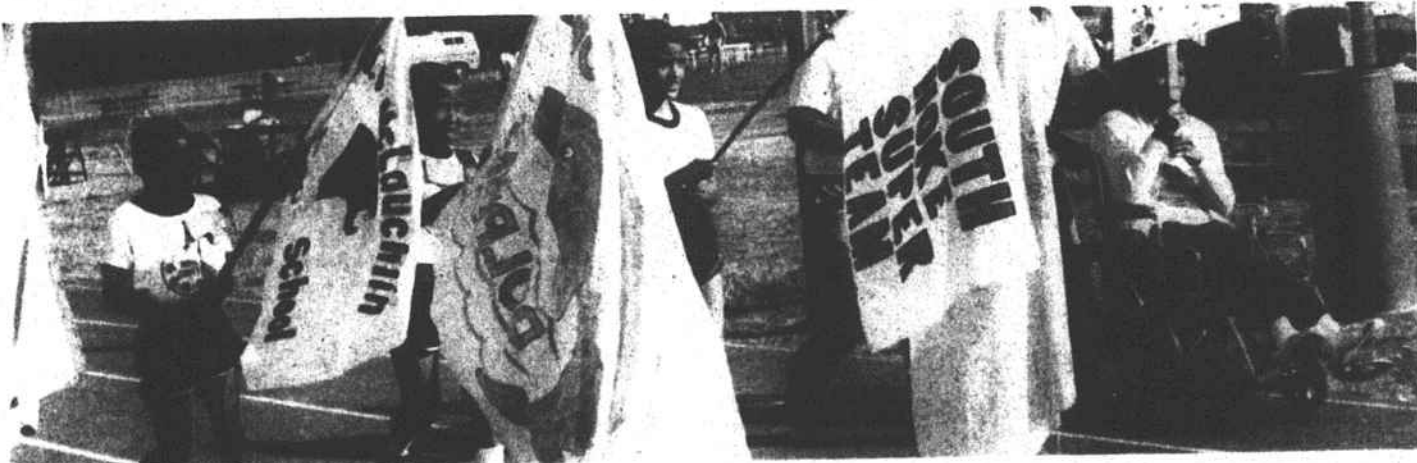
# Olympics

## Day was special for all involved



**Never a dull moment**

Whenever a young participant had trouble getting to their next event, there was always a volunteer around to help him or her out. And the volunteers did not have a lot of time to wait around for someone to help. There was almost always something for them to do. Many thanks need to go to those volunteers. Without them, there would be no Special Olympics.



**Let the show begin**

One representative from each of the nine teams for this year's Special Olympics was chose to bear the flag for the team and march in part of

the opening parade. The games began at 9:30 a.m. last Tuesday.



**Just after the torch**

Shortly after these South Hoke School students entered the field, the Special Olympics were under way for 1985. Members of the Hoke County High School administration were there as well as staff

members from the Board of Education office and a board member or two. All participated in the Special Olympic Oath, "Let me win, but if I cannot win, let me be brave in the attempt."



**Going for it**

Already boasting one ribbon, this young participant is trying for the gold again in the softball throw. Students of all ages and of all ability levels competed in this year's Special Olympics. Children of the same ages and sizes grouped together as much as possible so as to give no one an unfair advantage.