

...District plan given OK

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 Hoke schools will get the lowest percentage increase in the state if members of the Hoke County Commission refuse a proposed seven-cent tax rate hike to three cents, said Nelson.
 Even with the seven-cent hike, Hoke schools would have received

the second lowest in the state, according to School Business Manager Don Steed.
 In the 1982-83 school year, Hoke County spent less on each school student than any other county in the state, said Nelson.
 Hertford County, with a

number of students close to Hoke spent \$2,150.91 on each student, said the superintendent.
 Montgomery County, also with a comparable number of students, spent \$1,991, said Nelson.
 Hoke County spent \$1,955 during that year, he said.

...Highway 401 apron funds cut

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 "It'll be discussed in July," said Pugh.
 Residents should know something substantial about the destiny of the road by October, said Pugh.
 Pugh and the Cumberland County representative will have to convince the other 21 members of the Highway Commission of the real need for the 401 dual laning, said the Hoke representative.

Pugh could make no predictions as to whether Highway 401 will remain on the TIP or not.
 Two weeks ago, Jim Sughrue, a spokesman for the DOT said that he did not believe a shortage of federal money would affect the resurfacing project.
 It was recently discovered that \$39 million was programmed into the TIP for next fiscal year that was not there, Sughrue said.

For fiscal year 1986, there are \$392 million programmed for construction, he said.
 "Our best estimate now is that we will get \$353 million," Sughrue said.
 The funding problems, which will no longer affect the 401 resurfacing project since its cancellation, may have to be solved with phasing, said Sughrue.

...Barnhart named to Sandhills College board

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 She is a member of the Raeford Presbyterian Church.
 The appointment of Mrs. Barnhart came after a strong campaigning effort by local Republican Party members J.H. Blue Jr., Evelyn

Manning and Marvin Johnson.
 Mrs. Barnhart also received strong support from Rep. Daniel H. DeVane (D-Hoke) and Lt. Governor Robert Jordan.
 At least two candidates from Moore County were contending

for Monger's spot on the board.
 The other 11 seats on the Sandhills Board are held by Moore County residents.
 An April directive from North Carolina Community College Director Robert Scott officially



Retires
 Estelle L. Lee recently retired from the Raeford Plant of Burlington Industries after 32 years unbroken service. Lee began her employment with the company as a Quilting Operator in the Preparation Department in April 1953. After working one (1) year in that area she was promoted to the Spinning Department as a Spinner operator and has worked in that area for the past 31 years prior to her retirement. To recognize her retirement, she was presented a Retirement Plaque and Bible by Plant Management.

County pledges aid to solve dog woes

By Ed Miller
 Members of the Hoke County Commission took action to help remedy the health and safety complaints for a resident in a meeting Monday morning.

Teresa Gradia, a resident of Harmony Heights Mobile Home Park, appeared before commissioners with complaints of dogs running loose through her neighborhood.
 Repeated appeals to the county dog warden after repeated requests, have done little good, Gradia said.
 The dogs, one of which belongs to a Hoke County Sheriff's Deputy, spread trash, carry diseases from not being vaccinated and pose general health hazards, said Gradia.

The deputy's dog runs loose, has no tags and agitates many other dogs in the area, the woman said.
 Even when requested to come to the aid of the neighborhood, the county dog warden will not come, she said, adding that the warden had asked her to catch the stray dogs and hold them in her fenced yard until he gets there.
 "Maybe someone else should be put in his position," Gradia suggested.

Many of the problem dogs are puppies who have not been vaccinated and carry distemper.
 "If I can keep Dobermans inside a fence, why can't other people keep pups in a fence or tied up?" Gradia asked.
 "We've got a dog warden and if there are any dogs out there without tags, he can certainly pick them up," Commissioner Wyatt Upchurch said.
 Gradia circulated a petition to the residents of Harmony Heights, the status of which is currently being questioned as being a mobile home park or a subdivision.
 Out of the residents polled, 53 signed the petition calling for a leash law to be designed or at least enforced in the subdivision, said Gradia.
 "I believe subdivisions should have some kind of leash laws," she said.
 Members of the commission voted to turn the dog problem over

to the Hoke County Planning Board.
 Gradia is already on the agenda for that board's meeting scheduled for next Tuesday.
 Also discussed at the meeting were speed limits and the lack of speed limit enforcement in the community.
 "People go through there like it's a race track. I'm surprised that someone has not been hurt because children play in the street at all hours of the night," she said.
 Commissioners also took action to have speed limits in the area reviewed and posted by the state.
 According to Gradia, dogs are not the only health problems in the park.

"There is one land owner who has about 11 lots out here (in Harmony Heights) and I can't see how his trailers pass any kind of inspections," she said.
 "There are holes all the way through the floors and one place has roaches so bad they can't get rid of them," Gradia said.
 Also of concern to residents are some storage sheds in the area.
 They are falling down, she said.
 Some of them have mattresses stored inside and pose prime breeding grounds for rats and other small animals.
 "We've been here for two years and we've fought it and fought it. And, I can't get anything done," Gradia said.
 In other action, commissioners voted to allow Department of Social Services (DSS) Director Ken Witherspoon to enter contracts for the 1985-86 fiscal year.
 In a letter to commissioners, Witherspoon said he needed to contract with chore workers, family day care homes, individuals for child care arrangements, child day care centers, persons for transportation services, agencies for mail issuance of food stamps and the Hoke County Association for the Developmentally Disabled for the lease of a van.
 "These agreements will not exceed budgeted funds," said Witherspoon in the letter.
 Members of the commission also passed a new fee schedule for Hoke County.

Four cars stolen from county residents

Four cars were reported stolen last week, according to reports from the Hoke County Sheriff's Department.
 Two of the cars were reported stolen from the Nashville club on Highway 211, both on last Saturday night, reports say.
 Jeffrey Scott Cordell reported his car, a 1980 Datsun, missing after going back to the club Sunday morning and not finding it, according to reports.
 In statements given to deputies, Cordell said that he had given his keys to another man and he drove away with them.
 The car was valued at \$5,000, reports say.
 The same night, a 1973 Ford Torino, belonging to Elizabeth N. Barrentine, was apparently stolen from Nashville, reports say.
 That car was valued at \$1,000, according to reports.
 Also last Saturday night, a car was stolen from Beasley's Garage,

reports say.
 A fence surrounding the shop had to be cut before thieves could get the car out, reports say.
 No value has been placed on the 1981 Oldsmobile Cutlass.
 On June 28, a Chevrolet S-10 truck was reported stolen from Miller's Garage.
 Although no report has been turned in by investigating deputies, a Police Information Network (PIN) bulletin shows the truck belonging to Luther L. Revels.
 In other incidents, Franklin Jacobs, 29, of Rt. 1, Red Springs, was charged with manufacturing marijuana.
 A call informed deputies of plants growing near the residence.
 In a statement to deputies, Jacobs said the plants came up on their own and that he just watered them.
 He also told deputies that he does not smoke or sell the weed, reports say.

The man was released under a \$400 unsecured bond.
 Following another incident, three men have been released from jail on \$1,000 secured bond after being charged with breaking into a pool table coin box and taking money from inside, according to reports.
 Steven Lawrence Berryman, of 220 Cox Avenue in Raleigh, Jimmy Earl McNeill, of 1916 Covington Street in Fayetteville and Edward Hargrove, of 610 Hargrove Street, Fayetteville were all charged, reports say.
 The men used a fingernail file to get into the machine at the Caution Light Game Room, reports say.
 John Westly McLean recovered the money before the men left but told deputies he wanted to press charges anyway.
 The home of Shea Smiley Crawford was broken into last Tuesday, according to reports.
 Taken from the house was an

entire stereo and some firearms.
 The value of the stolen property was placed at \$3,150, reports say.
 Tracks from a small car were found in the driveway and spots of blood were found on the porch, reports say.
 An 11-year-old juvenile has been charged with apparently stealing a bicycle from the Western Auto store, Raeford Police Chief Leonard Wiggins reported.
 The child rode the bike to the old armory from in front of the store before being caught by store owner Jimmy Wood.
 The bike was valued at \$145.95.

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