

SO Leader Baysden Named Kiwanis Boy

One of the busiest people seen rushing down the halls of RMSH is this month's Kiwanis boy, Eddie Baysden.

Indeed, Baysden has quite a lot to keep him busy this year, being President of the Student Organization, on the football team (he plays wingback), and very active in the Fellowship of Christian Athletes.

Of the FCA, he comments, "As far as I'm concerned, it's the greatest organization ever." He has attended two FCA conferences at the Blue Ridge Assembly, one this past June, and is very excited about future plans for Senior High's National chapter.

Baysden's greatest interest (outside of school work, of course) is in the field of sports. He enjoys all sports, especially football and basketball.

As president of the Student Organization, Baysden plans to try to provide more of a feeling of unity among the students. He hopes to make each student realize that he is a vital part of the SO, and that the SO represents the whole school.

Baysden says that everyone should attend all school func-



EDDIE BAYSDEN

tions, not only sports events, but also plays, concerts, chorus presentations, etc.

Baysden has been busy for Senior High all summer. Besides attending the FCA conference, he was a delegate to North Carolina Boy's State at Wake Forest, and to the North Carolina Student Council Congress in Mars Hill.

A solid member of his community, he attends the Church of the Good Shepherd regularly, and is a leader in its youth activities.

After graduation, Baysden plans to attend either North Carolina State or the University of North Carolina, and hopes to enter a career in textile management.

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Meet Our Newcomers

This year RMSH has received a new principal who, like his predecessor, has as his major goal to make our school a better place in which to learn.

Vincent J. Colombo has underfoot a program of self-evaluation in order to renew our membership into the Association of Southern Colleges and Schools. Mr. Colombo was successful in this undertaking in the two schools of which he was principal prior to coming to Rocky Mount. These schools were Robersonville High School and Plymouth High School.

Principal Colombo was born in Brockton, Mass. and attended public school there.

After high school graduation he came to North Carolina to play professional baseball for Rocky Mount and Wilson and to attend Atlantic Christian College.

While at A.C.C. Mr. Colombo met his future wife, Miss Lorette Osborne of Robersonville. Miss Osborne had previously attended Mary Washington College in Fredericksburg, Va. They were married after graduation from A. C. C. in 1947.

Following their marriage Mr. Colombo was employed as a coach and Mrs. Colombo as an eighth grade teacher in Bladenboro, N. C.

In 1951 Mr. Colombo received his Master's degree from East Carolina College.

The Colombo's have two children, Mike, 17, and Karen, 14. The whole family enjoys playing golf.

Mike is a senior this year at RMSH. He plays all three major sports and was an all-conference selection in football and baseball at Plymouth last year.

This summer young Colombo played on Ahsokie's American Legion baseball team. As of yet, he has no definite college plans.

Karen is a ninth grader at Edwards Junior High and enjoys basketball, swimming and reading in her spare time.

Mr. Colombo says no major changes will be made from last year's school routine. All students will be glad to hear



MR. AND MRS. COLOMBO and their children, Karen and Mike, recently moved to Rocky Mount. (Photo by Killebrew)

that action is being taken toward paving the school's parking lot on Nash Street. Mr. Colombo added that a certain area will be designated as parking for our rapidly rising "population of motorcycles."

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