

**MAYBERRY WINS COMPETITION:** Paul Mayberry, a senior at Rocky Mount Senior High, has been chosen as a county winner in competition for a Morehead Scholarship.

# Mayberry County Morehead Winner

Paul Mayberry was selected as one of the three county semi-finalists for the Morehead Scholarship Wednesday, Nov. 10.

A committee of six men and one woman interviewed each nominee from all the Nash County Schools. Each interview lasted for exactly 20 minutes.

Personal questions dominated the interview. The committee was primarily interested in each of the nominees' personal values and opinions. The questions had no right or wrong answer.

Fourteen faculty members assisted the Senior High nominees in preparing for the interviews. The faculty quizzed the nominees on current events and political affairs since these were the major topics of the interviews last year.

Three steps are involved in receiving the Morehead Scholarship. The first step is the

county interview. All students nominated by the Nash County Schools were interviewed. Three students were chosen to continue to the District Level. Here the finalists will be chosen.

The last step is a weekend in Chapel Hill. All district finalists will be invited to UNC for a weekend. At an appointed time each finalist will be interviewed for the last time.

The winners of the Morehead Scholarship receive a scholarship for \$2,750 a year. It covers tuition, board, room, laundry,

books, all student fees and incidental expenses.

The following faculty members helped prepare the Senior High nominees for their first interview: Mrs. Barbara Taylor, Mrs. Reba Bone, Mrs. Marquerite Armstrong, Mrs. Sue Hayworth, Mrs. Sarah Speight, Mrs. Jane White, Mrs. Betty Penny, Miss Alma Murchison, Mr. Walter Rublein, Mr. Jerry Conleton, Mrs. Julia Kron, Miss Kate Parks Kitchen, Mrs. Edythe Tweedy, and Mr. William Hutchisson.

## Additional Salary Debatable Topic

Teacher salaries are a continuing public issue across the nation and particularly in North Carolina which ranks 28th in the national scale of salaries.

Theoretically all North Carolina teachers are paid the same salary according to the number of years experience. The salary scale is set up according to a Certification based on completion of undergraduate study and Graduate Certification which requires an advanced degree. Teachers in each category receive annual increments for up to 13 years of experience.

However, some cities and counties offer supplements or extra pay to their teachers in order to attract and to keep the best teachers.

Each teacher in Rocky Mount receives a supplement from local funds according to the state certificate scale. Those who have an A-0 certificate receive \$410 while those with an A-13 certificate receive \$495. Those teachers holding a G-0 certificate receive \$417 in local supplement while those with a G-14 certificate receive \$510 annually.

A teacher holding an A-0 certificate in Wilson receives \$250 while one holding an A-13 certificate receives \$300. A teacher holding a G-0 certificate in Wilson receives \$300 while one holding a G-14 certificate receives \$375. In Roanoke Rapids a teacher with an A-0 certificate receives \$281 while one with A-13 certificate receives \$399. If a teacher holds a G-0 certificate, he receives \$304 while one with a G-14 certificate receives \$444 in local supplement annually. These figures were obtained from a chart compiled by the North Carolina

Association of Educators.

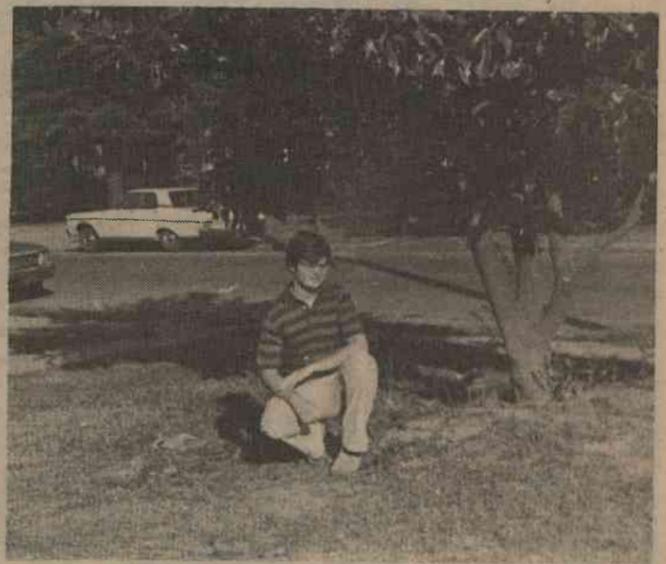
According to last year's figures, high school principals in Rocky Mount receive between \$1,300 and \$3,250. Similar principals in Wilson would receive between \$1,890 and \$2,625. High school principals in Charlotte-Mecklenburg would receive between \$37 and \$3,197 according to NCAE figures. The NCAE could not determine the range of supplement paid to assistant principals in Rocky Mount. Supplement range for principals in large schools in North Carolina last year was between \$1,023 and \$1,140. Rocky Mount's maximum principal supplement is \$3,250.

In some systems the superintendent also receives an annual local supplement. The superintendent of Charlotte-Mecklenburg receives \$11,765. The superintendent of Rocky Mount receives \$10,500 however, on the 1976-77 school year budget approved by the City Council the \$10,500 was listed as salary. The superintendent of Wilson receives between \$10,000 and \$12,000. Some systems, including Rocky Mount, also pay associate or assistant superintendents local supplements.

Inside the Rocky Mount City School System, some teachers receive an addition to the local supplement. A department head at Rocky Mount Senior High School receives \$100 in addition to the local supplement and state salary. The advisor to the cheerleaders receives an additional \$150. Teachers who work with clubs receive no additional supplement and neither do advisors to publications.

However, Rocky Mount's band directors receive additional supplements. Accord-

## Traveled Student AFS Nominee



**KEVIN BEAIRSTO**, a junior at Rocky Mount Senior High, has been chosen as the American Field Service nominee to represent Senior High.

Kevin Beirsto has been named the American Foreign Exchange Nominee from Rocky Mount. Kevin is among six hundred students from the United States who are eligible to travel abroad this summer. When asked how he felt about being chosen he replies "It's Exciting."

Kevin was screened in a special interview recently with three other students, Polly Mayo, Hugh Nobles, and Misty Hoskins. In this interview Kevin was asked about his background. He has lived in many parts of the United States such as Illinois, Minnesota, and New Mexico. Kevin has also put himself in several situations

such as what he would do if he met up with a person of Communist views. When asked where he would like to travel, Kevin said he wanted to go to Switzerland and because he likes to go to the mountains skiing. He has already been out of the United States to Canada and Mexico.

Kevin became interested in the Foreign Exchange Program because he would like to go to another country and learn about the people and their customs.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Beirsto and the oldest of five children. Besides snow-skiing Kevin enjoys all kinds of water sports such as canoeing and fishing.

## Upcoming . . .

**Our Town** — Friday night, Nov. 12, \$2.75.

**All's Well that Ends Well** — Friday night, Feb. 4, \$4.00.

**The Crucible** — Friday night, March 4, \$4.00.

We must have at least 20 people to go. Bus Seats are \$3.00.

Productions begin at 8:00 so the bus will leave by 4:00 from Nash Street. The bus will return between 12:30 and 1:00 a.m. unless unforeseen events delay it.

ing to last year's NCAE figures, they receive between \$1,100 and \$1,900 in addition to the local supplement. According to **The Evening Telegram**, one band director received a \$500 boost in the supplement this year.

Local coaches also receive an additional supplement. According to figures prepared by the NCAE in the spring of 1976, Rocky Mount paid its coaches between \$850 and \$2,300 in addition to the regular teacher's supplements and state salary.

Last year Rocky Mount's teacher supplement ranked 42nd out of 87 units (who returned the completed survey to the NCAE) paying supplements. Since that time, however, Rocky Mount teachers have received a \$100 raise in local annual supplements.