



**DOUBLE ROLE**--Birthdays and Easter sometime come together, so what is better than a combined birthday party and Easter egg hunt? Here at the home of the Robert D. Hoos on McRae Street, five-year-old Kim is being given something special by Carolyn Wilburn just before the hunt begins. Sharon Floyd, second from right, seems to be whis-

pering to Lois Huffman that she has already spotted a pink egg over there under the tree. Others in the group are Mark Weldon, front center, and back row, Mark Kicklighter, Rene Sessoms, Brian Hoos and Sandy Burke. In the background, balloon Easter eggs dangle from a clothesline.

**Stoneybrook Race Set Saturday**

**SOUTHERN PINES**--The 12th annual Stoneybrook Steeplechase will be run at Southern Pines on Saturday, April 13, and is expected to attract about 12,000 spectators from North Carolina and neighboring states.

The 1968 Stoneybrook guests of honor are to be the North Carolina gubernatorial candidates and the congressional candidates of the Eighth District.

The finest steeplechase horses and jockeys race at Stoneybrook and go on to the major tracks--Aqueduct, Saratoga and Belmont Park. This year for the first time The Borden Company is sponsoring one of the races at Stoneybrook. It has long been customary for private corporations to sponsor races in other countries, but it is a new thing in the United States.

The Hoke County High School Marching Band of Raeford, under the leadership of Band Director Jimmy James, will add dash and color to the spectacle in their Scots Guards regalia. Other features will be the mule race and the invitational fox hunters relay race.

Not the least of the delights of Stoneybrook Day are the reunions with old friends, the picnicking on stationwagon tailgates, and the lively politicking, the club's publicity agent declared.

**School News**

It must have been thoughts of Easter time that prompted Joan Lenthicum to set down on paper the following essay. The story was taken from a collection of the writings of an eighth grade student of W.T. Gibson School whose teacher, Mrs. Duncan McFadyen, said she thought were deserving of special recognition.

**A ROSE GARDEN**

Once upon a time, I had a dream long ago. In a land where there was no bad, but only good, in a land of fairy tale kings, and people that flew on butterfly wings.

In a land of magic and beauty, in a land of mountains and valleys, and castles on clouds. There was a garden, a beautiful rose garden.

As I stood looking into it, a heavy iron gate opened before me. Quickly I slipped in before it could close. All I can say is that, whenever I stepped into that garden, I forgot everything else. All I was aware of was an impression of great beauty. And yet, there was a despair to it, a quiet air of loneliness, that brought tears to my eyes.

That anything so beautiful should be lonely was wrong, wrong, wrong!

But, let me describe it to you.

The roses were red; red as rubies. The petals on them were so delicate, so finely made, that they looked as though the slightest wind would break them.

The leaves and stems were emerald green, and they, too, were very delicate. They smelled so sweet, finer than the best perfumes.

The grass underneath was like a thick green carpet. My ears picked up the sweet musical tinkling of a brook. Something inside me compelled me to move. Slowly, I walked down winding twisting paths, the sweet, cool scent of the roses came to me, keeping my head spinning.

My feet carried me to a brook, a clear, dreamlike brook. The brook circled an old, old oak tree, it must have been centuries old, then flowed off in another direction.

Then my eyes caught sight of it. A swing hung down from a heavy old branch. Swiftly my feet began to run, straight to the bridge that separated me from the island on which the oak tree stood. As I reached the swing, my hands reached out and touched the flowers and vines which twined around its old, heavy, iron chains, now rusted with age.

A great longing and desire filled me as I touched it. Slowly, I seated myself. Excitement had me in its merciless grip. But as I settled myself more firmly in its seat, it began to swing back and forth of its own accord, as though some unknown visitors were pushing it.

Higher and higher went the swing! So high that I felt I could fly like a bird or touch the soft, downy clouds! Suddenly, I laughed, and then I was falling, slowly, slowly. At first all was light, then all became dark. I closed my eyes to shut out the darkness.

Then I touched something soft, I bounced high, then I landed again, and all was still. Fearfully I opened my eyes to see where I was, I was in -- my bed.

**Home Agent's SCHEDULE**

- Monday, April 15--Holiday.
  - Monday, April 15, 12:05 p.m.--Radio program by Mrs. Willis.
  - Tuesday, April 16, 7:30 p.m.--Philippi Homemakers Club meeting with Mrs. Roy Shockley; demonstration by Mrs. James Attaway.
  - Tuesday, April 16, 7 p.m.--Beginners sewing class in kitchen of county office building.
  - Wednesday, April 17 --Homemakers district meeting, in Salisbury.
  - Wednesday, April 17 --12:05 p.m.--Radio program by Mrs. Willis.
  - Wednesday, April 17, 2:30 p.m.--Blue Springs homemakers meeting at the home of Mrs. J. W. Russell; demonstration by Mrs. Earl Hendrick.
  - Thursday, April 18, 7:30 p.m.--Raeford homemakers meeting in kitchen of office building; hostesses, Mrs. Sam Creech, Mrs. W. C. McCrimmon, and Mrs. James Douglas; demonstration by Mrs. Earl Floyd.
  - Friday, April 19, 12:05 p.m.--Radio program by Miss Hall.
- 4-H ACTIVITIES**
- Monday, April 15, 5:30 - 6 p.m.--4-H TV Action, Channel 4, "Dog Obedience."
  - Tuesday, April 16, 7:30 p.m.--Willing Workers leaders meeting.
  - Thursday, April 18, 3:30 p.m.--Sunset Club sewing class.
  - Thursday, April 18, 3:30-4:30 p.m.--Talent show practice.
  - Thursday, April 18, 7:30 p.m.--Willing Workers 4-H meeting.
  - Friday, April 19, 7:30 p.m.--4-H talent show at Raeford Elementary School.

**Hoke Student Is Graduated**

Patricia Satterwhite, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Satterwhite of McCain, was graduated March 29 from the School of Inhalation Therapy operated by Baptist Hospital and the Bowman Gray School of Medicine in Winston-Salem. Miss Satterwhite has accepted a position as chief inhalation therapist at Iredell Memorial Hospital in Statesville. She is a member of Hoke High School.

PREVENT FOREST FIRES

**Presbyterian Women Hold District Meet**

Approximately 400 women attended the 79th annual meeting of Women of the Church of Fayetteville Presbytery at Brownson Memorial Presbyterian Church, Southern Pines, April 3 and 4.

Featured speakers were Mrs. Britt Armfield of Greensboro, president of the Women of the Church of the Synod of North Carolina, and the Rev. Rupert McGregor of Columbia, S.C., former pastor of First Presbyterian Church of Fayetteville, and former administrator of Montreat.

Special music was presented by Mrs. Duncan McGoogan of Southern Pines, and Mr. Graham Lee, a student at Sandhills Community College.

Mrs. J. W. Causey of Southern Pines led a memorial service for members who have passed away during the year.

Dr. Julian Lake, pastor of the host church, conducted the sacrament of the Lord's Supper at the close of the evening session.

Mrs. H. Cone McPherson, president, conducted the necessary business and called for annual reports.

Plans for the Camp Monroe retreat were announced by Mrs. Myrton Stewart of Carthage. The retreat will be held July 23 with Miss Bessie Lewis of the office of Christian education, Richmond, Va., as the featured speaker. Emphasis for the retreat will be "Prayer."

Mrs. J. Ray Dickens of Lillington presented the special offering objective, which was Mission Court of Richmond. This complex of 12 apartments serves as quarters for missionaries home on furlough. The offering amounted to approximately \$370.

The birthday objective for the women was given by Mrs. A. N. McCormick of St. Pauls. The objective for 1968 will be TRAV (television, radio, audio-visual aids).

The historian, Mrs. Frank Atkinson of Manly, presented an honorary life membership.

to Mrs. John H. Sance of Fayetteville, past presbyterial president. Mrs. Sance installed the new officers, who are: Mrs. J. T. Wazick, vice-president, Sanford; Mrs. Charles K. Cole, treasurer, Jackson Springs; Mrs. J. L. Jenkins, White Cross, Lumberton; Mrs. Wibur Jones of Lumberton and Mrs. W. H. Randall of Lillington, program chairmen. New district chairmen are Mrs. Odell Smith, Spring Lake; Mrs. R. D. McMillan Sr., Red Springs; Mrs. S. H. Fulton, Lumberton; and Mrs. Sara H. McDonald, Red Springs.

At the close of the meeting, lunch was served by the host church. The next meeting of the group will be held in 1969 in Raeford.

**don't leave Mom holding the bag (of wet laundry)**

For most members of the family, summer is take-it-easy time. But for Mom, it usually means more of the same old routine -- cooking, cleaning and doing the laundry.

Even if you spend the season at the shore, those household duties must be done. And usually the laundry is complicated by more wet towels and swimsuits and less-than-adequate laundry facilities. But now there is a portable dryer, ideal for use in summer cottages, which is available to ease those laundry chores and let Mom enjoy the outdoors more, too. It's called the Maytag Porta-Dryer.

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**RAYMOND B. MALLARD**

Born in Duplin County, North Carolina, 1908. Attended Wake Forest College and Law School. Practiced in Tabor City, North Carolina, from 1932 to 1955. Served in General Assembly, 1939. Served in Army as enlisted man, 1944-45. Served as Superior Court Judge from 1955 to 1967. Now serving on Court of Appeals under gubernatorial appointment. Now serving as Chief Judge of the Court of Appeals by appointment of Chief Justice.

Baptist. 32 Degree Mason. Past President Rotary Club. Past Post Commander American Legion. Past Vice-President North Carolina Bar Association. Past Chairman, Conference of Superior Court Judges.

Married, one daughter, two grandchildren.