

## Around Town

By SAM MORRIS

The date for the runoff Primary election for the House of Representatives will be May 30 instead of June 6 as stated in this column last week. So please change the date on your calendar for the 2nd Primary to Saturday, May 30.

We would also like to remind all members of the Democratic Party that precinct meetings will be held on Saturday, June 6 at all polling places at one p.m. The time and place was set by the State Democratic Executive Committee. The county convention will be held Saturday, May 20 at one p.m. Keep these dates in mind and be sure to attend these meetings.

The Graduation issue of The News-Journal will come off the press next week. In this issue we will carry complete details of the upcoming exercises for the Seniors of 1970 along with individual pictures of each senior. This section is sponsored by the local merchants who offer congratulations to the Class of 1970. If you haven't been contacted for an ad, please call The News-Journal office and we will have someone call on you. We don't want to leave anyone out of this issue.

The Lions Club golf tournament at Arabia Golf course was a success from every standpoint, even if the downpour of rain during the final round got some of the players wet. The tournament was settled on the final hole by the final foursome. The only thing missing was the TV camera. Youth prevailed, as the winner and runnerup were both high school students.

A few sidelines on the tournament follows:

The match between Raz Autry and Tom McBryde for high score was won by Autry on the final day with a 90. Someone commented that Raz walked like Arnold Palmer but stroked the ball like a duffer.

A youthful golfer came off the 18th green and when asked what his score was said "72, but I blew it." Ed Murray stated that if he could score a 72 he would blow the game for the last time.

The announcers on TV are always commenting on the attire of Doug Sanders when he comes to the first tee. Sanders, of course is a flashy dresser, but our Representative N.L. McFadyen can have first place at the polling place for Representatives and at the golf course for dress. Neill played the final 18 holes properly dressed in white shirt and tie. The only complaint from our Representative was something about having to rush every shot because of the fast play. Frank Teal, his playing partner, can give you full details.

Many birdies were scored during the tournament but Neil Senter came through with the most outstanding one Saturday at hole number eleven.

We couldn't find out the complete details, but on Saturday at 11:05 a foursome consisting of T.B. Lester, Billy Lester, Tom McBryde and Clyde Upchurch, Jr. teed off and as they left the first tee, Trooper E.G. Coen accompanied them as body guard. He made the entire 18 holes with them. Maybe someone can set the records straight.

The work of the starters, Mrs. Raz Autry and Mrs. C.D. Bounds, is to be commended. They mowed the foursomes off the tee and kept the scoreboard posted with speed and accuracy.

We believe the selling of chances on the 18 tee for 25 cents for a golf ball was a little unfair. The fair gambling chance would have been to hit the green rather than an eight foot circle around the flag.

Yes, it was successful and most of the 174 golfers are looking forward to next year.

REMINDER: Booster Banquet Friday Night. Please attend.

## Little League Registers Sat.

Registration for Little Tarheel and Junior Tarheel baseball will be held this Saturday at Armory Field at 10 a.m. W.K. Morgan, recreation director announced.

Little Tarheel League is open to boys 10, 11 and 12 years old who will not reach their 13th birthday before Aug. 1. Junior Tarheel League is open to boys 13 and 14 who will not be 15 before Aug. 1.

Birth certificates will be needed for registration, Morgan said.

# Hoke Commissioners Adopt Budget; Tax Rate Increased Five Cents

## 250 Attend Chamber Meeting

The North Carolina Governor's Award was presented to the city of Raeford Monday night at the Chamber of Commerce's 23 annual dinner meeting.

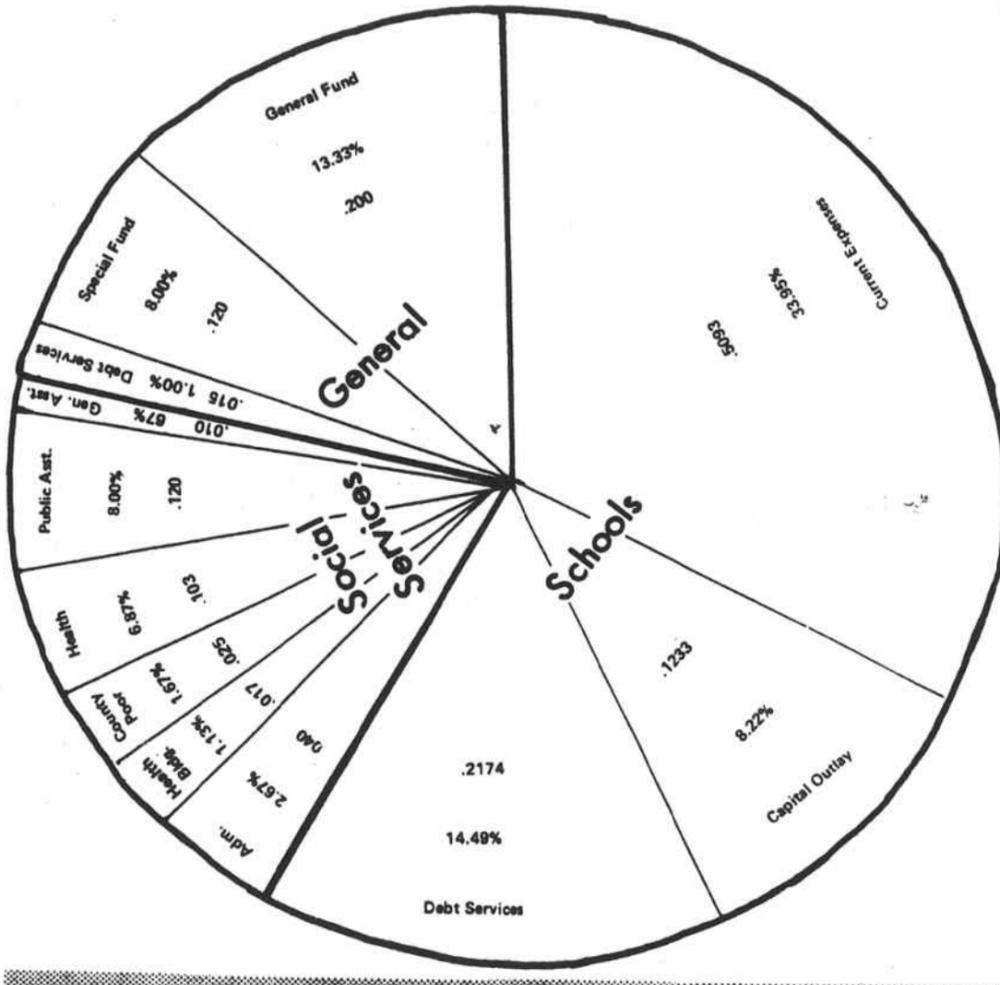
Albert H. Calloway, chief of the community and industrial services section of the Department of Conservation and Development, presented the award.

The Governor's Award is given to communities who meet specific goals designed to help attract new industry to the area.

Dr. John T. Caldwell, chancellor of North Carolina State University in Raleigh, was the guest speaker. He was introduced by T. B. Upchurch, a former trustee of the university.

Dr. Caldwell's talk dealt with the communications gap between the people of the State and their colleges and universities, their administrations, faculties and students. He pointed out some of the problems of university leadership, the fact that today's student generation do not create the national problems with which they are for the most part sincerely concerned, and that in his opinion they are not likely to solve them in one student generation, either. Dr. Caldwell further discussed the necessity for fair treatment of all people on the basis of merit alone, and urged his listeners not to make the mistake of thinking of students as a group in connection with any issue, saying that they don't agree with each other and that different students are concerned about different issues. He did not offer a solution to the problems of this country's people or of its students, but pointed to many areas in which he sees much hope for the future.

A special award of a lifetime membership to the Chamber was given to (See MEETING, Page 11)



A final budget of \$564,120.45 was adopted May 12 by the county board of commissioners. This will mean a nickle raise in county taxes per \$100 valuation, county manager T.B. Lester said.

Last year's budget was \$502,196.71. The rise this year is due mostly to increases in the public assistance costs, salary raises and a proposed addition of the county health center.

Public assistance, which includes old age assistance, aid to dependent children, Medicaid, aid to disabled and other welfare assistance, accounted for \$15,380 increase in this year's budget. The department of social services budget for 1969-1970 was \$45,620. This year's budget for the department is \$61,000.

Salary raises of from five to eight per cent for many county employees accounted for part of the increase. The average salary raise was about six per cent, Lester said.

The county will pay \$10,000 toward an addition to the health center. A grant of \$20,000 from Advancement, Inc. has been approved by the governing boards of the corporation to provide the remainder of the funds needed for the expansion.

Tax bills, which are being prepared now, will reflect the added five cents. The bills will be mailed by the end of June, Lester said. There is a two per cent discount on bills paid in July.

## Booster Club Annual Feed Friday Night

The annual Athletic Awards banquet, sponsored by the Booster Club, will be held Friday at 7 p.m. at Hoke High.

Awards for all sports will be presented to the high school athletes.

Guest speaker for the dinner will be Homer Rice, athletic director at the University of North Carolina.

Tickets may be purchased from a Booster Club member and will be available that night at the door.

## Dupree Explains Profanity Ruling

District Court Judge Joseph Dupree ruled Monday in Fayetteville that the city's ordinance against profanity was unconstitutional. The defendant was war protestor Ronnie Davis who had been arrested for using obscene language at a Rowan Street Park anti-war demonstration last Saturday.

Judge Dupree issued the following statement explaining his action in the case:

"The city ordinance number 21 - 38, profanity, reads: It shall be unlawful for any person to engage in boisterous cursing and swearing or use vulgar and offensive language. (Codified in 1950).

"The defendant was charged under the above city ordinance, arraigned before the court and charges were read. Before plea, counsel for the defendant moved that the warrant be quashed on the grounds that the city ordinance was

unconstitutional in that it did not specify where (such language could not be used.) The counsel argued, that strictly construed, if a person were to use language contrary to the ordinance in the confines of his own house or in an automobile riding down Hay Street, that he would be guilty under the ordinance. Other illustrations were also used.

"District Prosecutor Charles Rose III argued in rebuttal for the state.

"My feelings were that the ordinance should have gone further and stated in addition to that shown above, this or similar wording - at or in a public place or on a public street in the city of Fayetteville while in the presence of two or more persons; or perhaps in the presence of one or more persons, although this would be hard to prove as the court would only have one person's

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## New Pastor Arrives June 15 At Presbyterian Church

The Rev. John Conway Ropp, pastor of Kingston Presbyterian Church in Conway, S.C., has accepted a call to Raeford Presbyterian Church.

He will move to Raeford June 15 and will preach his first sermon June 21.

He was approved by the Fayetteville Presbytery at its meeting at McPherson Presbyterian Church May 12.

The Rev. Mr. Ropp has been pastor of Kingston since September, 1964. His first pastorate was the Good Hope Presbyterian Church at Iva, S.C., where he served from 1960 - 1964.

He is a native of Columbia, S.C. and attended the University of South Carolina. He received his A.B. degree from Erskine College, Due West, S.C., and his B.D. degree from Columbia Theological Seminary, Decatur, Ga.

Prior to entering the ministry, the Rev. Mr. Ropp was station manager of the radio station WCOS in Columbia. He was affiliated with the broadcasting industry

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The Rev. John C. Ropp

## Hall Requests Run-off

# Second Primary May 30 To Decide House Seats

A second primary to fill three seats in the House of Representatives for the Twenty-Fourth District was assured this week with the announcement by Roger F. Hall, incumbent, that he has requested a run-off.

The second voting will be held Saturday, May 30. The Twenty-Fourth House District is made up of Hoke, Scotland and Robeson counties and is allocated four un-numbered seats.

In the first primary, Gus Speros, incumbent from Robeson County was nominated, while Mrs. Mary B. Odom, of Scotland, Dr. Joy J. Johnson of Robeson and Neill McFadyen, incumbent of Hoke received pluralities but not majorities. A majority is required to be nominated and Hall received the necessary vote to demand a second primary.

"In the first primary, well over 57 per cent of the votes cast for those three seats were cast for others than the three persons holding the plurality. Those who cast 31,000 votes should have the opportunity to express their preference between those remaining eligible," Hall said in announcing his continued candidacy. "It is my firm conviction that our Representatives should not be elected by default, but by a definite majority of the votes cast."

Hall finished seventh out of the ten candidates running for the four seats. However R.L. Campbell, incumbent, who was fifth and D.J. Sinclair, Jr., who finished sixth, did not request a run-off.

Therefore, only Mrs. Odom, Johnson, McFadyen and Hall will be on the ballot for the three remaining seats. The other three candidates in the first primary, F. Knox Watson, Tracy Britt and Wilton Lowery, did not receive enough votes to be eligible for the run-off.

Hall, a Lumber Bridge business man and farmer, was appointed last year by the Robeson County Democratic Executive Committee to fill the

unexpired term of R. D. McMillan, Jr., who resigned to accept full time employment with the state. He is seeking election to his first full term as Representative.

Mrs. Odom, a Wagram school teacher, is making her first try for office. J.J. Johnson, a Robeson minister is also running for a state office for the first

time. He was vice-chairman of the Robeson County Democratic Executive Committee however, until he resigned to seek a House seat.

Neill McFadyen, of Raeford is seeking his sixth term as Representative. He was first elected in 1961. McFadyen was 28 votes short of a majority in the May 2 primary.



SPECIAL AWARD - A life-time membership in the Chamber of Commerce was presented to W.C. Phillips (left) by J.H. Austin at the Chamber banquet Monday night. Phillips was manager of Belks for 25 years until the store closed in Raeford this spring.