

Around Town

By SAM C. MORRIS

Edward Hayes of Dundarrach called last Thursday and said he had cotton blossoms Tuesday, July 5th. This is the first to be reported for the year to this office.

The Chamber of Commerce directors met Tuesday morning at 7 a.m. and a few of the members were late due to staying up late and watching the convention. The member that was the latest happened to be a Republican. Guess he was enjoying the division in the Democratic Party.

From the looks of things it will be very hard to beat President Richard Nixon in November.

The Slow Pitch Softball for this district sponsored by the Raeford Kiwanis Club will get underway Monday at Armory Park. So if you haven't bought your tickets, do so and enjoy the tournament.

I was glad to read about the tennis tournament that is in progress here. Tennis is a great game and was played by many here before World War II.

Tom Cope of Red Springs sends the following article on baseball games to be played in Robins Park this week.

The Red Springs - Appalachian Baseball team will play four baseball games in Robins Park this week. The Apps won 3 to 2 and 7 to 2 over UNC Chapel Hill last Thursday and Friday to move to a record of 6 wins and 12 losses for the season.

Wednesday night the Carolina Tar Heels of Chapel Hill will come to Robins Park for an 8 o'clock game, and on Thursday night Campbell College moves into town to play at 8 o'clock. Then on Saturday night Carolina will be back for a big game which will feature a Prize Night. The first prize will be a camping outfit donated by the Coleman Company of Atlanta, Georgia. The grand prize will be a tent, camping stove, lantern, cooler and water jug. Many additional prizes will be awarded.

On Sunday afternoon at 4:00 o'clock Red Springs - Appalachian will meet Louisburg College. Sunday's game will be preceded by a big softball double - header between an All - Star team from Raeford and the All - Stars from Red Springs. Softball games will start at 2:00 p.m.

Deputies Begin In Hoke



George Brown

Two new deputies began work with the Hoke County Sheriff's Dept. on July 1, bringing the staff to six road deputies. Also employed by the department are three jailers.

The two, both natives of Hoke County, are George Brown and Preston Moore Jr. Brown's background in law enforcement includes experience in Taiwan, Viet Nam and Texas with the Air Police in the U.S.A.F. After completing his basic Air Force training at Lackland AFB in Texas, Brown attended Air Police school. He was discharged from the service in 1966.

Since that time, he has been working at a number of jobs, most recently as assistant manager of the Little Giant Grocery in Raeford.

He is a 1962 graduate of Hoke High, and a graduate of Durham Barber College. He practiced the profession in Fayetteville, Red Springs and Kernersville.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter D. Brown, Rt. 1, Raeford.

Also new on the force is Preston Moore Jr., who received his law enforcement training in a two year program at Sandhills Community College in Crimminology.

He also served with the Army for two and a half years, and most recently

Water Bonds Pass By Wide Margin

Beginners Behind The Wheel

By Elaine Symanski

A familiar sight around Hoke County this summer has been a carload of apprehensive teenagers guided by an invincible instructor with nerves of steel. Cars like this have been easy to spot because they bear the warning "Driver Education" on a bright yellow sign mounted on the roof.

Some 300 Hoke High students have been getting experience this summer in the techniques and rules of driving, under the supervision of seven instructors, specially trained in driver education.

Before the students are allowed behind the controls of the cars they must have 30 hours of classroom work, during which they study the "Rules of the Road" manual and discuss defensive driving techniques. They then go in groups of three, with one instructor per car, to practice six hours of behind the wheel training.

A typical first experience behind the wheel of a car for any of these 300 youths might go something like this:

The instructor, in this case, Jimmy James, positions himself in the front seat on the passengers' side and instructs one of the fledgling drivers to take the wheel. First instructions are that she should adjust the seat and mirror and fasten the seat belt.

Those minor tasks accomplished, he tells the student "We're just going to make some starts and stops and see what you can do." He tells the youth to drive up one of the marked lanes in the school parking lot and every few feet instructs

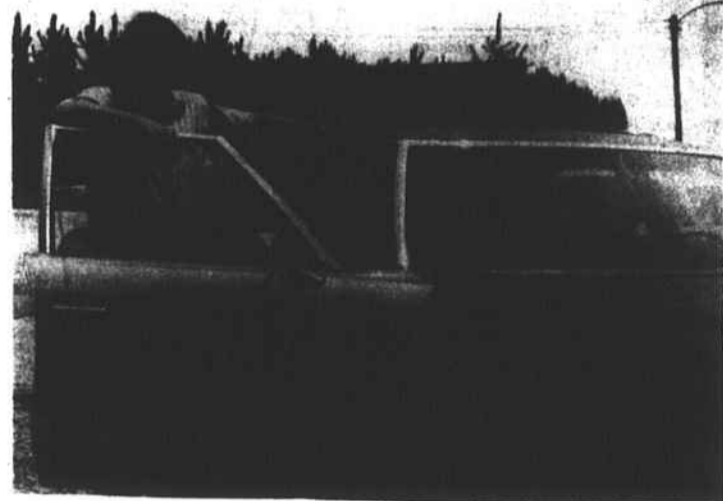
her to stop. She obeys, perhaps a bit too eagerly and lurches the car forward as she jams on the brakes. All such minor mishaps are punctuated by nervous giggles from driver and fellow students. The instructor keeps his sense of humor and cool the whole time, and tells the first driver, Barbara, "Try to attack that brake with a little more ease." After a few more stops and starts it's time to change drivers.

The second driver, Doris, operates the brakes in much the same way. "See if we can't get a little easier on that brake," James tells her. "After awhile I'm going to get a real hot cup of coffee and put it on the dashboard right over the steering wheel," he warns. More nervous giggles from the three students.

The first fifteen minutes or so of the lesson are spent in this manner, practicing starts and stops and turns around the parking lot. James then tells the girl behind the wheel to head for the road. "We're going on down to Bragg Boulevard now," he jokingly tells her. "Think you can handle it?"

Instructor and students are soon inching their way toward one of the rural roads in the county. The instructor explains the use of the directional signal and proper position of the hands on the wheel. Barbara is constantly warned to "Go slower...if you run off the side of the road stay off for a bit and slow down and ease back on." Barbara runs off the side of the road and manages to get back on without too much ado. Then a car approaches and she instinctively steers to

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ON THE ROAD - Driver education supervisor Jimmy James prepares to take to the road after giving instructions to his driving students. More than 300 Hoke High youths are taking part in the summer driver education program, under the instruction of seven teachers.

Council Again Rules To Close Bethel Road

A decision to close Bethel Road by Hoke High School for the 1972-73 school year was made by the City Council in a special meeting held June 6.

The meeting was called following a request by Hoke High principal Raz Autry to discuss the traffic problems near the school and the safety of the students. Following the discussion of the

situation with Raeford mayor John K. McNeill presiding, a motion was made to again close the road to outside traffic between the hours of 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. on school days.

When the road was first closed in Sept., 1971, upon Autry's request, some controversy over the action was sparked. See ROAD, Page 11

Association Gets Federal Grant; Matching Funds Needed

The Hoke County Association for the Developmentally Disabled has reported a breakthrough in the form of a federal grant to help transport disabled students to sheltered workshops in Laurinburg. Matching funds of \$1,015 must be raised

by the association by the end of this month, however, in order for the grant to be received, association chairman Pat Pate said.

She said some contributions have been received by the association, but they are still a long way from their goal. A meeting for interested persons will be held on Monday, July 17, at 8 p.m. in the Methodist Church fellowship hall for the purpose of planning fund raising activities and accepting donations, Mrs. Pate noted.

The federal grant of \$9,137 came through the Developmental Disabled Service Act, a newly created act for the purpose of aiding young people with learning disabilities. Mrs. Pate said Hoke County has an "unusually high proportion of students in this category - approximately seven per cent above the national average."

Funds for the program will be used to bus youngsters in the 16-24 year old age group, who have dropped out of school, to a special workshop in Laurinburg, where they are taught vocational skills. Mrs. Pate said in the past ten years only one student was able to take advantage of the program, but since the association in Hoke County was formed about six months ago, four more students have enrolled in the program. She said they hope to have 15 by a year from now. The total number of students in this drop out age group is about 30 or 40, Mrs. Pate said.

Funds for the operation of the workshop came mainly from Social Services, Mrs. Pate explained, but students must provide their own means of transportation to the classes. A total of \$4,500 of the funds will be used for the purchase of a van to transport the students. Part of the money will also be needed to pay a driver.

Mrs. Pate said students who attend the workshop are taught vocational skills such as sewing and carpentry, among others. The workshop also receives contracts to do certain work from different firms. Students attending the workshop are evaluated extensively and they are also paid while they are attending the sessions. Good work habits are also instilled upon the students by the instructors and supervisors.

Some of the activities the Hoke County association plans to raise the \$1,015 are a drapery sale, using draperies donated from an outlet in Cumberland County and a bake sale.

In order to obtain the federal grant the association had to present a 30 page report justifying the need for the program and the funds. Mrs. Pate explained that the report channeled through the Dept. of Mental Health in Raleigh and was under consideration for about a month before a letter of approval was received.

Mrs. Pate emphasized that the program is completely separate from the schools. See GRANT, Page 11

County Purchases Trash Containers

The Hoke County Board of Commissioners accepted a low bid Monday from the Pick-up Sanitation Service, a firm belonging to Clyde Leach of Dundarrach, for the purchase of 50 trash containers to be placed throughout Hoke County.

Bids from two other firms were received by the commissioners, and Leach's low price of \$11,325 was accepted. Leach's firm earlier received the contract for operation of the containers, at an estimated cost of \$2,000 per month.

County sanitarian Russell Mills said plans are now being made for the placement of the containers and pick-up will hopefully be started this month. Mills said the people will "have no excuse for dumping in the woods anymore. We can start on the job of getting the county cleaned up."

Mills said the containers will be placed along major highways and roads in the county, where every family will have easy access to one of the containers. "Hopefully," he said, "no one will have to go more than five miles from his house to have access to a container."

Pick-ups for the four cubic yard containers is scheduled for twice a week. The containers are of the type with a split lid on top, designed for ease in handling. Mills said people should get plastic trash can liners for use at home and tie the bags off securely before depositing them in the dumpsters.

The Hoke County Health Dept., along with the State Highway Commission is now working on the placement of the containers in spots along the highway where people will easily be able to get to them by pulling off the highway.

Mills said he hopes to get groups in each township in Hoke County working on educating people about the use of the containers. "What we need is people to knock on doors and tell their neighbors about the containers and how they

City Offers Surplus Sale Of Equipment

The City of Raeford is now accepting bids for the sale of some surplus equipment, according to city manager John Gaddy.

Offered for sale are two dumptrucks, a bulldozer, a tractor, a garbage packer and truck, a back hoe, a mower and a car. Some of the equipment has already been replaced with new vehicles, and Gaddy expressed hopes of soon getting some new dumptrucks to replace the old ones being offered for sale. Bids will be opened on Aug. 7.

should be used," he explained. "The containers were to be used strictly for home garbage. Other wastes such as leaves, old junk and industrial trash should be brought down to the landfill off U.S. 401."

Two containers will also be placed at the entrance to the landfill, Mills said, for use when the landfill is closed.

Mills said he recently observed the trash pick-up program in Bladen County and the people were "very enthusiastic." He expressed hopes that Hoke County's program can operate as smoothly and as efficiently as theirs. "There is a real big interest in the program in Bladen County and the area is as neat as a pin," Mills remarked.

A map of locations of the containers will be run in The News-Journal as soon as plans for the placement are complete.

\$25,000 Bond Set For Scott, Revels In District Court

Probable cause was found in a preliminary hearing in District Court Friday in cases charging Freddie Revels Jr. and Johnnie Lee Scott with breaking, entering and larceny and receiving stolen property. The two were bound over for action by the Hoke County Superior Court on \$25,000 bonds.

The state presented no evidence against the two on charges of safe cracking, so the court found no probable cause on that charge.

Scott and Revels were charged with breaking into the ABC Liquor Store on U. S. 401 on April 22 and stealing 45 cases of liquor and \$450 cash, for a value of \$2,050. They were also charged with receiving 43 cases of the liquor and \$450 cash.

Chief witness for the state in the preliminary hearing held Friday was William Tanner Jr., who is charged with receiving stolen liquor from the ABC Store.

In testifying in court he told of his conversation with Scott and Revels prior to April 22, when he said he told them he needed some whiskey. He said no reference was made at the time to the type or quantity or means of obtaining it.

He said on April 22 he woke up in his trailer and found Scott and Revels present with 43 cases of whiskey. He said at the time he "had to think the liquor was stolen." Later that day, he said, he

A small percentage of Raeford voters turned up at the polls Tuesday to overwhelmingly pass a \$750,000 water bond issue that will enable Burlington Industries to be annexed to the City of Raeford.

The bonds passed by a better than eight to one margin, with 171 ballots cast for the bonds and 20 against. There are an estimated 1,100 registered voters living within the Raeford city limits.

City manager John Gaddy said that the city was "real happy with the results... it's a step in the right direction for the city of Raeford."

The firm of Moore - Gardner Assoc. from Asheboro who are engineering the water works expansion project are expected to have final plans ready this week, so that bids for the work may be advertised. Gaddy expressed hopes that work would begin soon and be completed by next summer.

A representative from Burlington Industries was expected to sign a petition on Wednesday confirming the annexation which had been decided through a mutual agreement between Raeford and Burlington in May.

In a letter from Burlington Industries' vice president Arthur E. Werner, dated July 5, 1972, he confirmed the understanding and agreement for the voluntary annexation of Burlington's Raeford plant, which he said, "will be of substantial long - range benefit to the City as well as our operations."

Funds from the sale of bonds will provide capital for the drilling of an additional well and adding water mains to the present system. Long - range plans also include the improvement of treatment facilities.

The city is also hopeful that the sale of the \$750,000 bonds will provide a capital reserve for future expansions, so a new bond issue will not be called for each time work is needed.

The voluntary annexation of Burlington was not possible without the bond sale which was approved on Tuesday because the city did not have adequate facilities to accommodate the industry.

The addition of Burlington's \$9.5 million to the assessed value of property in Raeford will also lower taxes for the private taxpayer to approximately \$1.10 per hundred dollars of assessed value from the present rate of \$1.45. Annexation of Burlington is expected to generate some \$109,000 in tax revenues. Besides the lowering of taxes, the

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Hit By Car

A five-year-old boy was injured when he darted into the path of a car on N.C. 20 Sunday at 6 p.m.

Admitted to Southeastern General Hospital with head and leg injuries was Darrin Edward Bryan of Lumberton. He and his parents had been visiting friends in the Dundarrach section of Hoke County at the time of the accident.

Driver of the car, who was traveling east toward Lumberton, was CPT. John G. Formy-Duval, commanding officer of Headquarters and Headquarters Company of the National Guard in Raeford. Investigation of the accident was made by state trooper E. W. Coen. No charges were made.

heard of the liquor store being broken into.

Tanner said the price Scott and Revels asked for the liquor was \$800, and he admitted to paying \$100 to Scott on four separate occasions.

Tanner said he permitted Hoke Sheriff D. M. Barrington to search his trailer on June 19, whereupon 10 cases of liquor were found and confiscated by the Sheriff's Dept.

ABC Store manager Russell Wayne Ashburn testified that upon opening his store on April 22 he found a hole in the ceiling of the warehouse and later upon taking inventory found 45 cases of liquor missing along with \$450 from the safe.

Ashburn later said he examined several cases of liquor at the Sheriff's Dept. on June 19, and was able to identify an x mark placed in grease pencil under the code number on the cases. He said the liquor store used that marking to identify and count stock upon receiving a new shipment.

Charges against Scott and Revels are scheduled for action by the Grand Jury in the next session of Superior Court, Aug. 14.

Hearings in cases charging Tanner and Hilmann Edens with receiving stolen property from the liquor store robbery were waived in District Court on June 30. They were bound over to the Hoke Superior Court on continuing \$5,000 bonds.