

## Around Town

By Sam C. Morris

The annual Bar-B-Que put on each spring by the Hoke High School Key Club will be Thursday night from 5:00 to 7:30 o'clock at the Gibson Cafeteria. The Key Club is sponsored by Kiwanis International and raises funds for projects to help the school. The money this year will be used to put up basketball goals at the school. So, buy a \$2.00 ticket from a Key Club member or a Kiwanian.

Joan Moses who is a member of the Horse Show committee of the Raeford Woman's Club brought in the following and asked that it be run in this column. "A special instruction class is being offered to anyone interested in entering the six open classes of the RWC Horse Show. This will be taught by Clarence English at his home on Old 401 Saturday, March 30, at 2 p.m. It is not necessary to take your horse. Mr. English will lecture and demonstrate using one of his horses.

"This is being sponsored by the Horse Show Committee of the RWC in hopes that it will encourage our local people to take part in the horse show."

A new way to raise money for a worthy cause can pop up at any time. I haven't heard of the following that was in the door of the office Tuesday morning. There was no signature to the announcement.

"The Weight Watchers of North Carolina lost weight for the Heart Fund during the month of February. Ten cents a pound was donated to the heart fund for each pound the members lost during February. The Raeford Weight Watchers were proud to donate a check for \$5.02 to the Hoke County Heart Fund representing 50 pounds lost."

This is what is known as "Killing two birds with one stone."

The following letter was received this week from Ralph Plummer of the Wayside Community. I think that it is self-explanatory:

Dear Sam:  
The Gideons, which is an International Christian Business Men's Organization that places bibles and testaments in hotels, motels, prisons, doctors' offices, air terminals, railway stations, bus stations, hospitals, schools, etc., will be reporting to approximately sixty-five churches in the Hoke and Cumberland County area at the eleven o'clock hour on March 31, 1974.

Included in these churches will be Ashley Heights Baptist, Bethel Presbyterian, Ephesus Baptist, First Baptist of Raeford, Parker's United Methodist, Raeford Presbyterian, Sandy Grove Methodist, Second Baptist, Shiloh Presbyterian, Tabernacle Baptist and Evangelical Methodist, all of Hoke County.

Since November, 1965, bibles have been placed in the Hoke County jail, North Carolina Prison at McCain, all the rooms in McCain Sanatorium, all the doctors' offices and all motel rooms in the county. Also, New Testaments have been given to all nurses and fifth grade students in the county schools since 1965.

The Gideons appreciate the cooperation we have received from the pastors and laymen of Hoke County, that has made this possible.

Sincerely,  
Ralph Plummer  
Member of Gideon International

A county-wide collection of old magazines to benefit the Hoke County Library is being sponsored by the Pearl S. Cole Sunday School Class of the Raeford United Methodist Church. The magazines will be collected at the church Monday and Tuesday, April 1 and 2. So, now is a golden opportunity to get rid of old magazines.

The following letter is self-explanatory:

"The Hoke County High School Chorus and Choral would like to express its appreciation to the citizens of Hoke County for your support in our performance of Schubert's Mass in G. With your encouragement, your show of enthusiasm, your hospitality to the East Carolina University Orchestral ensemble and help in preparations for practice, all our efforts were a joy."

Cissy Moses

# Parent Head Gives End Of Year Assessment, "IEA Increases Indian Youth Participation"

## Wood Rites Conducted

Funeral rites for Thaddeus Graham Wood, 87, who died March 21, were conducted Friday at Galatia Presbyterian Church by the Revs. Russell Fleming and John C. Ropp. Burial was in the church cemetery.

Wood moved with his family to Hoke County in 1901 from Johnson County. His parents, the late Young Wood and Metaliza Barefoot Wood, ran a grist mill in the county. Wood was among the first to grow tobacco in Hoke County. He farmed in Rockfish Community.

Wood was married to the late Flora Monroe Wood, a Hoke County native. He was a member of the Galatia Presbyterian Church and the oldest Hoke County member of the Woodmen of the World.

Survivors include four daughters, Mrs. Lela McInnis and Mrs. Louise Reynold of Raeford, Mrs. Hazel Smith of Red Springs, and Mrs. Margaret Newton of Fayetteville; a son, James G. Wood of Raeford; a sister, Mrs. Lillie Wood of Rockfish; two brothers, Martin L. and J. E. Wood of Rockfish; 12 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

## Students Suffer Minor Injuries

No serious injuries resulted from a school bus accident about a mile from South Hoke School last Friday morning, reports George W. Wood, South Hoke principal.

All children on the bus were taken to Dr. R.M. Jordan's office following the

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## Flue Leaf Allotment Changed

The Federal Agriculture Stabilization and Conservation Service (ASCS) has dropped flue-cured tobacco acreage allotments as a condition for a farmer receiving price supports at market time.

Tom Burgess, Hoke County ASCS executive director, said the regulatory change was made Monday in an "effort to get more tobacco produced."

Tobacco poundage quotas remain in effect and farmers will still receive price supports for 110 percent of their effective poundage quota, Burgess said. No change has been made in the law providing for acreage-poundage allotments.



BIKE CLINIC PLANNED—From left, Mrs. Bill Moses, Raeford Woman's Club; Phil Ricks, 4-H sponsor; Leonard Wiggins, police chief; and Brenda Abrams, 4-H sponsor, pick out a spot for registration stickers to be placed on bicycles. The stickers will be issued free of charge following a bicycle safety, inspection, and registration program scheduled to begin in county schools in April. The RWC Education Dept. police, and County 4-H office are sponsoring the program.

## County-wide Bicycle Safety Program Begins In April

A bicycle safety and registration program sponsored by the Raeford Woman's Club Education Department, the Raeford Police Department and Hoke County 4-H clubs begins in Hoke County schools in April.

The program will kick off with school instruction in bicycle safety by means of lectures, films, printed materials and a safety test, with an instruction class for adults one evening in April.

After the school term ends, a bicycle inspection and registration clinic is planned where registered bicycles will

be issued a registration and identification sticker to be permanently affixed to the bicycle.

Following the county-wide registration clinic, a bicycle rodeo will be held for all students and adults who pass the bicycle safety test, the bicycle inspection, and have registered bicycles.

Leonard Wiggins, Raeford police chief, noted that the registration stickers will provide recorded proof of ownership of bicycles and will discourage bicycle thefts.

There will be no charge for participation in the program.

All materials for the program are being furnished by the Modern Woodman of America, the N. C. Dept. of Motor Vehicles, Good Year Tire and Rubber Co., Bicycle Institute of America, N. C. Extension Service, Schwinn Bicycle Company, and the Carolina Motor Club.

The Raeford City Council has voted to pay half the costs for registration forms and stickers.

Community leaders are scheduled to meet in an organizational meeting Tuesday at 9:30 in the Federal Building Conference Room.



James R. Riley

## Riley Joins Hoke Force

A former Raeford policeman began Monday as a Hoke County deputy sheriff. James R. Riley, who left the Raeford force in March, 1973, after more than two years service, is a 1959 Hoke High School graduate.

The Hoke County native worked at Proctor Silex in Southern Pines after leaving the city department. Earlier he operated a service station grocery on U.S. 401 North and 401 bypass.

Riley is married to the former Joyce Davis of Red Springs. They have one daughter and reside at Rt. 1.

With the hiring of Riley the Hoke County Sheriff's Department is at full strength for the first time since last summer.

## City To Get EPA Funds

Congressman Charlie Rose, (D-N.C.), notified city officials that Raeford has been approved to receive \$119,800 in federal Environmental Protection Agency funds as reimbursement on three city projects.

The city applied for the additional funds in October 1973, after a regulation allowing 30 percent federal funding on sewage treatment projects was amended to provide 50 percent federal funding. The three projects on which the city requested reimbursement were the 1962 initial project to build the present city sewage treatment plant; the 1970 sewage plant expansion project and the 1971 extension of water and sewer lines to Knit-Away, Inc.

According to City Manager John Gaddy the city applied for \$3,865 additional funds on the original project, \$276,000 on the expansion project, and \$40,300 on the installation of additional lines.

No breakdown into projects of the \$119,800 additional funds reportedly approved for Raeford was given.

"The Indian education program is extremely satisfactory. Student involvement in extra curricular activities has increased. Four Indian girls are trying out for cheerleaders this year. In past years we would only have one," comments Robert Taylor, Hoke County head of the Indian Education Act (IEA) Parents Committee.

In continuing his year end assessment of the new program Taylor points out Timothy Dial, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Dial, began in the high school wrestling program during 1972-73 school year and had to drop out because of lack of transportation.

This year IEA funds were used to provide Dial's transportation for practice and matches and he placed second in his division in the state wrestling tournament. "IEA gave Timothy Dial a chance," points out Taylor.

While neighboring counties are experiencing problems in implementing the federally funded program, Hoke County Parents Committee and Board of Education seem to be working well together.

Federal funding for the first year of the program amounted to \$41,258. Application for 1974-75 funds of \$48,850 has been sent to Washington and a reply is expected soon.

Current year's funds were used to order a \$6,500 twenty-passenger bus and to pay salaries for two full-time employees, Louis Oxendine, a home visitor, and Elwood Hardin, a counselor.

Hoke Indian students were taken on a field trip to the fall festival at the Cherokee Indian Reservation. An additional \$2,400 purchased 20 musical instruments for Indian students at Upchurch School. Future plans call for music tutoring to help Indian students to catch up to peers in musical ability and training.

Funds were also used to supply books, audio visual equipment, recorded Indian music, clothing, athletic equipment and uniforms.

When the program was first discussed Hoke County Indian students made it clear at area meetings they did not want ethnic history courses taught separately, but wanted their heritage incorporated into the total school program to avoid segregating Indian students from other students. In planning for next year, the students re-emphasized this point.

Taylor comments, "Indian parents are almost unanimous in supporting the program especially the idea of involving Indian students in extra curricular activities. The bus will be most important because most of these parents work and are not available to provide transportation. Some of the parents feel we need more emphasis on an Indian image building program. A cultural enrichment phase of the program including arts and crafts seminars is planned for the future."

## Drug Bust Made Here

A Rockfish area resident was arrested Tuesday and charged with two counts of possession of a controlled substance after law enforcement officers, armed with a search warrant, raided his residence.

Mark F. Bond, 21, Rt. 2, Box 372, was booked at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday and bond was set at \$1,000. The case is scheduled in district court April 5.

Sheriff D. M. Barrington said material alleged to be marijuana and barbitals were seized in the raid. He reports 30 to 40 capsules and tablets were found in five or six bottles.

Ernest M. Bueker, SBI agent from Fayetteville, swore out the warrant on Bond. Participating in the raid were Hoke County Deputies Alex Norton, George McGuire and James R. Riley; Sheriff D. M. Barrington, Cumberland County Deputy William H. Nichols and SBI agents.

## Meetings Set

The regular monthly meetings of the Raeford City Council, Hoke County Board of Commissioners and Hoke County School Board are scheduled Monday.

The City Council meet at 7:30 p.m. in the Municipality Building. The County Commissioners meet at 9 a.m. in the Board of Education conference room and the School Board meets at 7:30 p.m. at the Board of Education building.



CITY REIMBURSED—Pictured is the city's sewage treatment plant, one project on which the city is to receive federal grant of \$119,800 in reimbursement funds. The Environmental Protection Agency made the funds available after Congress ruled that federal funds should be available for 50 percent of the total cost of such projects instead of the 30 percent rule in effect when the project was begun. Other projects on which the city applied for reimbursement funds include the 1969 enlargement of the plant by 1.5 million gallons per day, and the 1971 construction of interceptor sewer lines used mainly to supply water and sewer service to Knit-Away, Inc.