

**BROTHERHOOD MEMBERS-** (from l to r) first row, Minister James Leak, Lynn Graham; second row, Archie McQueen, Thomas Adams, Robert Douglas, Frank Davis, Enoch Leak; third row, William Hollingsworth, William Murchison, Calvin McQueen, Mondell Adkinson, Peter Dockery, Ervin Everett, Robert Bronson, and Simon Adams.

## Brotherhood Chapter Aids Needy In County

An original chapter of Brotherhood, an organization dedicated to help strengthen the community spiritually and financially, was organized Mar. 5, and since then have held two programs to raise money for the less fortunate in the Raeford community. The organization started with

seven charter members and now has a membership of 26. Officers of the chapter are: Lynn Graham, president; Minister James Leak, vice president; J.C. McLean, secretary; and Ervin Everett, treasurer. The next meeting will be at the home of Mondell Adkinson, near the St. James Holiness Church on 401 North, Friday, Dec. 12. All people interested in joining the organization are invited to attend this meeting.

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## Community Calendar

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Raeford-Hoke Chamber of Commerce

Tuesday, December 9, 1975, the Chaminade Music Club will meet at 7:45 P.M.

Wednesday, December 10, 1975, the Recreation Commission will meet at 7:30 P.M. at Knit-Away.

Thursday, December 11, 1975, the Kiwanis Club will meet at the Civic Center at 6:30 P.M.

Monday, December 15, 1975, the Junior Woman's Club will meet at the Civic Center at 7:45 P.M.

Tuesday, December 16, 1975, the Hoke County Chorale & Chorus will present their Annual Christmas Concert at 8:00 P.M.

## Fire Permits New

"The N.C. Burning Permit Law has been changed and a burning permit is now required throughout the year," according to Hoke County Forest Ranger Robert Jones.

The old law required a permit only from October through May. The law was revised by the 1975 North Carolina General Assembly and is enforced by the N.C. Division of Forest Resources.

The major cause of wildfires in North Carolina has been debris burning, and the burning permit law was originally enacted to help reduce the number of wildfires caused by debris burning by spelling out the responsibilities of each citizen or company to control their outdoor burning.

"The intent of the law is to insure that people who want to do outdoor burning take the precautions that a reasonable and prudent person would take using fire. As long as people take these precautions and comply with the laws established to protect society, they have the right to burn," said Jones.

"There is an exception to this law," he said. "A landowner does not have to have a burning permit for burning within 100 feet of his occupied dwelling if (1) the burning is done within an enclosed container from which no burning material can escape, or (2) within a protected area under the constant supervision of a competent watchman who has adequate fire protection tools readily available."

An example of an enclosed container is a trash barrel with a wire screen attached and in place. This will prevent burning materials from flying out of the barrel and possibly starting a wildfire.

Another change in the burning permit law concerns the cancellation of permits. Originally, permits could be cancelled only because of

extremely hazardous forest fire conditions.

"Permits can still be cancelled because of hazardous fire conditions, Jones said, "but now they can also be cancelled because of air pollution episodes. This means that when weather conditions will not enable smoke from controlled fires, such as burning fields or brush piles, to be carried away, burning permits can be cancelled."

The Division of Environmental Management of the Department of Natural and Economic Resources will determine when air pollution episodes exist.

"When burning permits are cancelled," Jones continued, "all outdoor burning, regardless of the distance to the nearest woods, will be prohibited."

As in the past, burning permits will be issued for a four day period. A permit is not required for outdoor burning between the hours of 4:00 P.M. and midnight. Jones pointed out that compliance with this law does not relieve the permittee from having to abide by Air Quality regulations and any local burning ordinances.

Anyone with questions concerning the new burning permit law should contact Jones at his office in Raeford, or call 875-2808.

Agents who are authorized to issue the new burning permits are: Hoke County Sheriff's Department, extension agent in county office building, W.T. McQuage Store, Hunt's Grocery, J.H. McNeill Store, Gore Store, Dundarrach Trading Co., and any N.C. Forest Service employee.

## School Law Hearing Set

The Commission on Public School Laws, created by the 1975 General Assembly to revise and recodify Chapter 115 of the General Statutes, will hold a public hearing for Education Region 4 Dec. 10 at Terry Sanford High School in Fayetteville.

Sen. Ed Renfrow of Smithfield, chairman and author of the legislation creating the Commission, will preside over the hearing, which begins at 7:30 p.m.

According to Sen. Renfrow, the hearing has been scheduled by the Commission to get feedback from local educators and citizens on revisions needed in public school laws.

The Commission's task is to review current school law and make recommendations concerning needed revisions and recodifications.

School units included in the December 10 hearing are: Columbus, Whiteville, Bladen, Cumberland, Fayetteville, Harnett, Hoke, Sanford/Lee, Moore, Montgomery, Richmond, Scotland, Robeson, Fairmont, Lumberton, Maxton, Red Springs, St. Pauls.

Anyone interested in speaking at the hearing should contact Sam Shugart, Department of Public Instruction, Room 325, Education Building, Raleigh, 27611, phone (919) 829-3812.

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## Agency's Figures

### Sub-standard Housing High

In all but two of the county's seven townships over half of all housing is classed as sub-standard, according to detailed figures from the N.C. Department of Natural and Economic Resources.

Jim Dougherty, who is preparing a land use survey for the county, presented a breakdown on number of substandard dwellings and number of persons of minority races based on a percentage of the total population.

The figures were announced as: Allendale township, 73.1% of all

housing substandard, 91.0% of population minorities; Antioch township, 62.0% substandard housing, 74.0% minorities; Blue Springs township, 66.0% substandard housing, 82.0% minorities; Quewhiffle township, 44.2% substandard 58.0% minorities; McLaughlin township, 43.0% substandard housing, 42.0% minorities; Raeford township, 33.0% substandard housing, 38.0% minorities; and Stonewall township, 57.7% substandard housing, 60% minorities.

## Drain Problem Solved

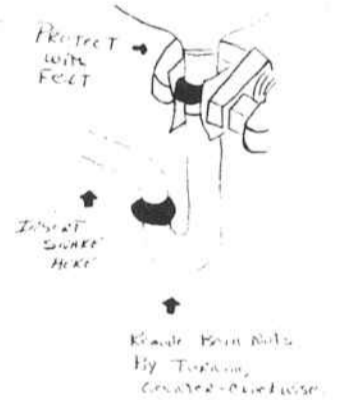
By Willie Featherstone, Jr.,  
Assistant Agricultural  
Extension Agent

Nothing can be more annoying and inconvenient than a clogged drain in the kitchen or bathroom. Here are several pointers guaranteed to do the job.

1. First try to clear the debris clogging the drain with a commercial drainer available at your local dealer. Follow directions closely and chances are this will solve the problem.

2. If the chemical drainer fails, the handyman can usually rely on a Plumber's Friend" or plunger. To use, remember that the clearing action occurs on the UPSTROKE, not the downstroke. So after pressing downward, pull up vigorously for more suction action. The cup works to draw the obstruction back up into the pipe so it can be broken up by the down swim of water. Forcing it downward may only PACK the debris in more tightly and this makes it harder to break up.

3. If all else fails, remove the trap as shown and clear the clogged pipe



with a plumber's "Snake." Advance snake slowly, twisting the snake as it enters. Do not try to force snake through pipe. It may bend or kink causing snake to become stuck in pipe. Work slowly, advancing only a few inches at a time. To remove snake, use a twisting motion again. Be sure to have a container to catch waste matter. Reassemble pipe and flush system.

## Five Credit Driver Course Offered

A sixteen-session college credit course, DRED 320, Laboratory Programs in Driver and Traffic Safety Education, is offered in Fayetteville beginning Wednesday, Dec. 3, by the Division of Continuing Education of East Carolina University.

It will be taught in three-hour sessions at Douglas Byrd Junior High School each Wednesday evening through February 18,

1976. Each evening session will meet from 6:30 to 9:30 P.M. The Saturday range sessions will meet at the Garner Senior High School Range in Garner from 9:30 A.M. to 4:30 P.M.

Ray Ochs will be the instructor for the course.

If the class is not filled by pre-registration, a student may register at 6:30 P.M. on the night of the first class meeting.

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