

Around Town

By Sam C. Morris

The past couple of weekends kept most of the golfers running for shelter between holes. Last Saturday it rained over three inches in Raeford in an hour or so. The rain drove me off the golf course and it was almost impossible driving back to the city.

Sunday morning before Sunday School a group of us were talking at the Presbyterian Church about how hard it had rained and how water was standing at different places in the city. I said that while driving down E. Prospect Avenue that the water was standing on the hill above Mrs. John McKeithan's home, stopped the talk for a few minutes and most of the crowd looked at me in a funny sort of way.

Anyway, I didn't say the water was running up the hill and I believe it was raining that hard.

Hector McLean, chairman of the board of Southern National Bank, spoke to the Kiwanis Club last Thursday night. He was introduced by William Poole who had charge of the program.

Hector's talk was based on letting this country get back to being run by people with a strong spiritual outlook. He said we have tried everything else and it hadn't worked.

The talk was well received by the Kiwanians.

A note from Kay Piotrkowski a former associate editor of this paper is as follows:

"Thought you might like to quote from this piece. Kathy McMillan is certainly forging ahead, I'm delighted. Wish I could have gone to Eugene to see her jump."

The article was from a Portland, Oregon newspaper with picture and write-up about Kathy. Thanks Kay for the article and glad to know that you still remember Raeford and Hoke County.

As I have commented in this column many times in recent months Kathy McMillan is certainly one if not the best ambassador Hoke County and Raeford has ever had and she is only 18 years old and many big things still lie ahead for her.

Keep it up, Kathy!

If Vanessa Smith will come by the office she can pick up her Bank of Raeford Savings account book which has been turned in to us.

The following recipe and article was turned in to me many months ago by a lady who said she found it in an old paper while cleaning out the attic. It was a copy of The News-Journal dated Friday, June 24, 1938. So in this Bicentennial issue we will re-run the recipe in this column.

Bread & Butter Pickle

Now that cucumbers are so plentiful there has been a great demand for the famous Bread and Butter Pickle Recipe which is given below. This is Mrs. John Walker's recipe:

This should be cut out and filed. 1-gal. cucumbers (small sliced). Should be 1 gal AFTER slicing. 2 hot green peppers 8 small white onions ½ cup salt.

Wash fresh, crisp cucumbers and slice very thin crosswise. Slice onions and peppers. Mix salt with above vegetables and put crushed ice over all. Let stand covered in refrigerator for 3 hours. Then drain and add:

4½ cups sugar
2 tablespoons of tumeric
5 cups vinegar
½ teaspoonful cloves
1 teaspoonful of celery seed
2 tablespoonfuls of mustard seed
Mix thoroughly, pour over drained vegetables, put on slow fire, heat to scalding point. DON'T boil. Pour into hot jars and seal.

Traveling? Be Safe

Alcohol is the biggest single factor in traffic deaths and the N.C. State Highway Patrol asks drivers to remember, don't celebrate the Fourth with a fifth - if you plan to drive afterwards.

No one intends to let alcohol turn anybody into a killer, but this is what happens each week to nearly 500 people who think they can drink and drive.

On the long Fourth of July holiday last year, there were no fatalities in Troop H (Hoke County) roads, but 19 Tar Heels lost their lives over the three day weekend.

Fifty two persons were injured in accidents in the Troop H district last year.

The official holiday period begins at 6 P.M. Friday and runs through to midnight on Monday, July 5.

Troopers of the Hoke highway patrol announced special emphasis will be made beginning at 6 P.M. Thursday, July 1 and continuing through to midnight Monday.

No extra patrolmen will be put on, a spokesman said, but special attention will be given to speeding, drinking, and other accident causing violations.

All personnel will be working and all electronic equipment will be operating.

Wreck Injures Five

Five persons sustained injuries in a two car crash Sunday near the Twin Bridges area, according to the state highway patrol.

About 2 P.M. on RPR 1422, a 1969 Chevrolet operated by Anner Lee Richardson, 25, of Rt. 1, Raeford pulled onto the roadway from a driveway into the path of a 1973 Chevrolet pickup operated by James Woodrow Hayes, 63, of Lumber Bridge, according to

State Allots \$36,000

Chairman of the Secondary Roads Council Cecil Budd announced last week that \$34,000 has been allocated for improvements to secondary roads in Hoke County for the next fiscal year.

This allocation is part of a \$30 million statewide appropriation enacted by the last General Assembly and becomes effective July 1, 1976.

The 1976-77 fiscal year allocation of secondary road construction funds for Hoke County was approved by the North Carolina Board of Transportation in its last meeting held in Plymouth earlier this month.

"The Hoke County share of the funds is based on a formula that puts all counties on an equal footing by considering estimated local construction costs, the number of unpaved miles of secondary roads in any given county and the relationship of this mileage to the overall mileage of unpaved secondary roads in the state," Budd explained. There are 36 miles of unpaved secondary roads in Hoke County and the average cost of constructing a single mile of roadway in Hoke County is estimated at \$31,500.

Budd will coordinate the planning and selection of construction projects within Hoke County that will be financed by the \$34,000 allocation. "We will be working very closely with local and county officials in determining what projects to present to the Secondary Roads Council for its final approval," concluded Budd.

Sr. Citizens

The Raeford Senior Citizens Friendship Club will meet at the Raeford Methodist Church on Tuesday, July 6 at 2:30 P.M.

Don Slaughter, the new county recreation director, has been invited to discuss activities for senior citizens his department can provide.

Josephine Hall will show slides of famous Southern mansions.

Get Rich-Not So Quick Plan To Go To County

The Hoke County Bicentennial Commission is already looking ahead to the Tricentennial 100 years from now and plans to turn \$1,000 into a million dollars.

The plan doesn't involve a pyramid scheme, nor do the Bicentennial organizers plan to play the New York or Brooklyn numbers. There is no trip to Las Vegas or Monte Carlo in the offing, either. In fact, the whole idea is perfectly legitimate and can be accomplished through a bank.

One thousand dollars deposited this year and earning between seven and one half per cent annual interest will grow to a little more than \$1,000,000 by the year 2076.

The Bicentennial Commission got the idea after hearing that a group in Apex, N.C. planned to do the same thing to make a really lasting memorial, according to publicity director of the Hoke group, Dayna Pate.

The Bicentennial Commission has a \$1,000 surplus out of their funds, according to Mrs. Pate, but there is one snag. Earlier this year, the county appropriated funds to the group with the stipulation that any surplus is to be turned back over to the county coffers. Presumably the Bicentennial committee would have to get the blessings of the county commissioners to go ahead with the plan.

'Hoke County 7' Get \$50 Fines

Judge Joseph Dupree held a brief session of District Court Friday in order to pass judgment on seven Hoke County school youths who

were jailed over the last weekend on charges of fighting on a school bus in a much-publicized incident.

The youths, Antonio McGougan, Carl Bernard Miller, Preston Lee Morgan, Eugene D. Rogers, Wade Hill, Eugene C. Miller, all of Lumber Bridge, and Kenneth Ward Dixon of Raeford, were all given a continuing prayer for judgment at last week's regular session of court.

Each defendant pleaded not guilty to charges of disturbing the peace during Friday's session, and each was found guilty as charged and fined \$50 and court costs.

A piece of rubber hose and a knife had been entered as evidence against the boys.

The judge also heard a variety of charges against Matthew Neil Ray,

Crash Victim Known

The victim of an accident early Saturday morning on Hwy. 15-501 was identified late Tuesday as John Alexander McMillan Jr., 19, of Rt. 2, Box 355 Aberdeen Rd., Laurinburg, according to Dr. Page Hudson, state medical examiner.

The identification had been tentatively made by Monday, but authorities were withholding any announcement until dental records could be sent to Chapel Hill for comparison.

According to highway patrolman K.W. Weston, the victim dashed across the highway about three

'Sparklies' Set For 4th Blast

Strother A Candidate

Incumbent James R. (Bobby) Strother filed as a candidate for district soil and water conservation supervisor and has no opposition thus far in the November election.

Strother, who filed last week, was elected to a two-year term in the non-partisan contest in 1974.

Two other incumbents were elected to four year terms that year.

The deadline for filing for candidates is noon on July 2. Fee is \$5.

Police expect over two thousand persons at the high school grounds Sunday evening to view the Fourth of July fireworks show, the first fireworks display here since 1961.

The fireworks, arranged by the Hoke County Bicentennial Commission, were specially created for the occasion by a New Castle, Pa. firm.

Highlight of the evening celebration will be the cutting of a huge Bicentennial birthday cake which is being created by Carolyn Ashley. The cake will serve between 300-400 persons.

The festivities at the high school Sunday night will cap off the local Bicentennial celebration which begins Friday night with a street dance behind McLaughlin School.

A band has been booked for the dance and the Hoke County Swingers will perform their highly rated square dance routines at 9 P.M. Stewart St. will be closed to traffic from 8:30 P.M. until the dance ends. Admission is free of course and everyone is invited.

On Sunday, July 4, dedication ceremonies will be held to open the new Hoke County Bicentennial Library beginning at 4 P.M.

Police will detour Hwy. 211 traffic to Magnolia St. from 2:30 P.M. to whenever the ceremonies conclude sometime after 5 P.M. Main St. will be closed to traffic from Donaldson Ave. to the courthouse.

BI Pays \$12.2 Million

Burlington Industries hourly-paid employees will receive vacation pay totaling some \$12.2 million this fiscal year. Company officials reported.

Payments of approximately \$6.5 million will be distributed to employees during the summer vacation period, coinciding generally with the Fourth of July holiday; similar payments of about \$5.7 million were made during the Christmas holiday period last December. (Burlington's current fiscal year began September 29, 1975.)

Edward K. Crothers, Burlington vice president, said approximately 50,000 Burlington employees will receive the vacation payments. Individual amounts are based on employee length of service and earnings.

Bicentennial Cakemaking No Small Task

By Suzanne Aplin

Take four dozen eggs, 36 cups of sugar, six cups of butter, six cups of shortening, a handful of baking powder, 12 teaspoons of lemon extract, 12 teaspoons of vanilla and six teaspoons almond extract and mix in a BIG bowl, bake until done. Yield: one very large bicentennial birthday cake.

Carolyn Currie Ashley has been mulling over this project for about two weeks now. Although the ingredients are listed correctly for the total cake, Mrs. Ashley will actually construct the 36" to 40" high cake out of ten individual cakes.

She envisions the cake with five tiers of two layers each, separated by columns. The cake will be in red, white and blue with dogwood blossoms, the state flower, as decoration. The top will be designed like Uncle Sam's striped and starred hat. Starting with a 16" base the cake will rise about 40" and be topped with two candles symbolizing 1776 and 1976. Mrs. Ashley also plans to bake and decorate two flag shaped cakes to be displayed on either side of the main one.

The cake will serve 375 people, possibly more. It will be cut July 4 during the festivities to be held in the Hoke High Gym under the supervision of the Hoke County Bicentennial Commission.

Mrs. Ashley took a cake decorating course while she and her husband George were living in Concord. It is more of a hobby to her than a business. Working in a kitchen decorated with American eagle design wall paper, Mrs. Ashley laughed and said, "This cake will make or break my reputation. Everyone in the county will know how this one turns out."

A native of Raeford, Mrs. Ashley says she loves to bake and decorating cakes for people has given her something to do now that she stays home with her young son Stephen. She also does specialty cakes in the shape of a rag doll, Mickey Mouse, or Holly Hobby, and she bakes a train cake in soup cans.

The cake will be completely decorated in Mrs. Ashley's kitchen, but she will take the layers apart to transport it to the gym.

"If the cake is a hit," she added, "anyone who wants the recipe can find it in the library."

For a smaller cake, of course.



CAKE FOR 300—Carolyn Ashley, designer of the Bicentennial Birthday Cake, explains how she will create a forty inch high cake that will be displayed and eaten at the Hoke County Bicentennial Commission's festivities on July 4.