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## Lumber Bridge News

By Lib Sumner

Mrs. Major Goodman, Sean and Scot Goodman of Raleigh spent Thanksgiving with her mother, Mrs. N.H.G. Balfour and Mr. and Mrs. John Balfour and Johnny Balfour.

Mr. and Mrs. Roger F. Hall spent last weekend at Long Beach visiting Col. and Mrs. Carl Acree.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy McGougan and son, Bill and Mr. J.M. McGougan spent Thanksgiving day with Mr. and Mrs. John Gardner in Lumberton.

Mr. and Mrs. J.W. Williford spent several days last week in Columbus, Georgia with his brother, Mr. and Mrs. Gus Williford.

Mrs. A.F. Tolar spent Thursday with her niece, Mr. and Mrs. Tim Courtney, Mabelle and Kimberly in Fayetteville. They enjoyed Thanksgiving dinner with Mr. Courtney's mother, Mrs. John Courtney.

Mrs. Glen Clark was able to leave Duke Hospital on Tuesday. Mr. and Mrs. Clark spent Thursday with her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. George Harris in Fayetteville. Rev. and Mrs. J.M. Smith of New Bern and Mrs. Elizabeth Tolar of Lumberton spent Thurs-

day with their sister, Miss Mildred Williford.

Mrs. Rob Schoch and small son, Jeffrey of Vanceboro are spending a few days with her mother, Mrs. Hunter Forbes.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Prevatte of Lumberton spent Thanksgiving day with their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. S.F. Ammons, Stevie and Wanda Ammons and Colon Ammons.

M/Sgt and Mrs. Billy Schell, Debbie Lyn and Billie Sue of Goldsboro spent Thursday with Mr. and Mrs. W.H. Schell.

Mr. and Mrs. Percy Johnson visited their daughter, Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Townsend in Asheville Thursday and Friday.

Mrs. Billy Troutman, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Jackson and children, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Wooley spent Sunday with Mrs. Dewey Troutman in Statesville.

Miss Jean Cobb of Charlotte visited her parents last weekend, Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Cobb.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Shaw's guests over the weekend were their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Alford, Kathy, Laura and Heather Alford of Raleigh.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. Jeffrey Shelton and family on Thursday were his mother, Mrs. Mary Stewart, and Deanna and Jacquai White of Mt. Airy.

Mr. and Mrs. Rick McMillan, Kimberly and Kristy McMillan spent Thursday until Sunday with his brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. Alton McMillan in Gardston, Alabama.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kelly, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Bennett and children, Yvette, Brandon and Kyle of Wilmington visited Mr. and Mrs. S.E. Sumner and Miss Pamela Sumner Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. R.F. Hall, Sally Lou and Buck Hall, Mr. and Mrs. George Shook and children, Robbie, Lyn, William, Beth and Margaret spent Sunday in Hamlet with Mr. and Mrs. Hall's daughter Mr. and Mrs. W.C. McIntosh.

Mr. and Mrs. J.C. Fowler, John Cooper and Eliza Sinclair Fowler of Southern Pines spent several days last week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Bullard.

Mrs. John Covington enjoyed having her family for Thanksgiving dinner. Mr. and Mrs. Jim Maxwell, Misses Sally Lyn and Mary Monroe Maxwell of Dundarrach, Mr. and Mrs. Jon Evans, Allison and Susan of Raleigh, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Maxwell of Raeford, Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Covington of Fayetteville were unable to attend due to Mr. Covington recuperating from a heart attack.

The community extends sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. Edwin C. Keeter and family in the loss of her mother, Mrs. Batchelor last Saturday morning.

Mrs. Ethel D. Gibson's dinner guests Thursday were Mr. and Mrs. S.E. Sumner, Miss Pamela Sumner, Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Sumner of Fayetteville, Mr. and

Mrs. Charles Kelly, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Bennett, Yvette, Brandon and Kyle of Wilmington, Mr. and Mrs. M.S. Gibson, Joy and Rick and Mr. and Mrs. A.J. Freeman of Fayetteville.

Eddie Caddell of Raleigh spent Thursday until Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George L. Caddell.

Mr. and Mrs. J.F. McMillan Jr. of Jacksonville, N.C., visited Mr. and Mrs. J.F. McMillan, Sr. several days last week. Mrs. McMillan Jr.'s mother, Mrs. Clarence Hughes Moore of Raleigh spent Thursday with the families.

Miss Alene Shaw and Doug Shaw of Lumberton attended a birthday party honoring Doug's mother, Mrs. Bill Shaw at The Farm House, near Spivey's Corner in Sampson County last Tuesday night. The party was given by Bill Shaw.

The Bake Sale held November 20, by the Ladies Auxiliary at the Fire Hall was enjoyed by a good crowd. The money collected, which was \$250.00 will be used for various causes. The Auxiliary helps families where there is illness and donations to different organizations. We thank everyone who baked cakes, pies, and breads and spent the day at the Fire Hall to make the sale a success.

Exporter Has Rowland Ties  
On one of the several trips which Lowry Maclean makes by plane between England and the United States each year, the export sale director of John Crossley and Sons Ltd. flew on the supersonic transport Concorde back home from Washington, D.C., according to a story in The London Times.

Maclean is married to the former Ann Crawford of Rowland, daughter of Mrs. Henry Crawford (nee, Miss Alicia Sumner) and the late Mr. Crawford. The family lives at Ashday House, Southwram, Halifax in England.

The Concorde is fitted with Halifax - made carpet that expands and retracts as the plane reaches supersonic speeds and slows down again. One hundred square yards of carpeting were used.

The Times reported that Maclean was the first person from the Calderdale area to be booked on the Concorde. One reason for making the return trip on the plane from Washington to London was for Maclean to report on the carpet made by his Company. Requirements for the carpet were stringent, he said. "We had to be careful about the weight, and the fire precautions and a special dyeing technique had to be used," he said.

Maclean is also executive vice president of Carpets International USA, which has its office and show room in New York City. Like Crossley's, it is subsidiary of Carpets International, United Kingdom. Prior to assuming his present positions, Maclean lived in the United States for seven years as an executive for a textile company.



**PRISONER** -- A pony can be a prisoner behind bars, even if it has got more room than a jail cell. A pony can at least get a view of the outside world and get a good hard gaze at anyone who happens by.

## Hoke ASCS News

By Thomas R. Burgess

1977 ACP The Hoke County ASC Committee announces the 1977 Agricultural Conservation Program (ACP) has been approved and persons may sign up for practices until Dec. 31, 1977.

Under this program, public funds are available for cost-sharing to accomplish conservation practices beyond that which would be accomplished with a participant's own resources. There are increased rates of cost-sharing for participants eligible under low-income provisions.

Flat cost - share rates per acre have been set to simplify administration and provide a firm predetermined commitment to participants.

Heading a list of 18 priorities considered by the local committee, are cover crops, drainage improvements, lagoons, establishing or improving permanent pastures and constructing farm ponds.

Hoke County's allocation for federal funding this year is \$22,660, the same as last year. The committee has set a rate which should cover 50 - 60 per cent of the costs, paying \$4 per acre for cover crops, and 35 cents per linear foot for 5 in. tiling.

Eligibility for participation in all programs administered by ASCS is established under law without regard to race, color creed, national origin or sex.

**ASC Committeemen Election**  
North Carolina farmers have until Dec. 6 to return their ballots to elect community ASC committeemen to serve in 1977. Ballots have been mailed to all known eligible voters, and these ballots must be postmarked or returned by Dec. 6.

These farmer - elected committeemen play a very important role in the local administration of farm programs. Their assistance has proven to be a most effective means of gearing national programs to fit local conditions.

Each individual farmer also has definite responsibilities. Possibly one of the most important is the participation in the election of community committeemen. All farmers are urged to study their ballots and to vote on the most qualified persons to represent them as community committeemen.

Ballots will be publicly tabulated on Dec. 13 in the Hoke County ASCS office at 9 a.m. and may be witnessed by any interested person. All elected committeemen will serve as delegates to the county convention to be held Monday, Dec. 20 for the purpose of electing a county ASC committee.

Any persons with questions on any phase of the election is invited to visit the local ASCS office for complete information.

ASC committee elections are open to all eligible voters without regard to race, color, religion, sex, or national origin.

### Service Personnel

Marine Cpl. Hubert S. Davis Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Hubert S. Davis of Rt. 1, Box 803, Raeford, recently returned from participation in the maritime portion of the major NATO exercises "Autumn Forge '76".

He is serving as a member of Regimental Landing Team - 8, homebased at Camp Lejeune.

"Autumn Forge" is the title of the annual training exercises conducted jointly by the nine members of the NATO Alliance.

His unit took part in two major events during the deployment: "Operation Team Work '76" and "Operation Bonded Item".

He joined the Marine Corps in June 1976.

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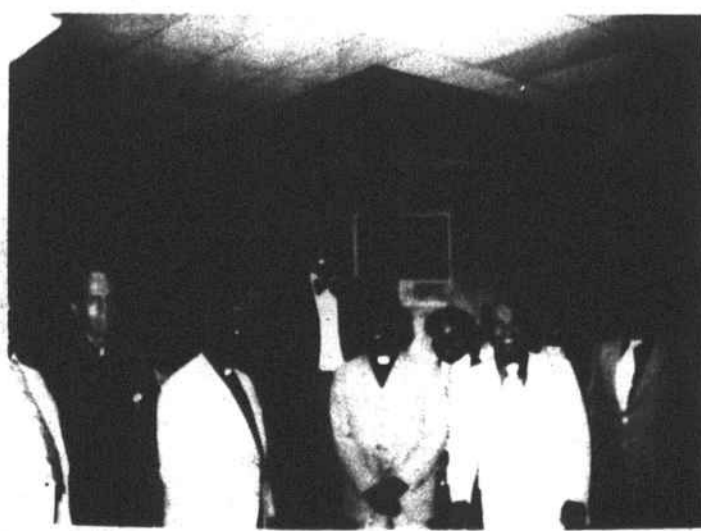
Old Quawks' Day, The Highland Games, Mule Day, Old Time Fiddlers Convention, National Hollerin' Contest, World 600, Coon Dog Day, Collard Festival, Marlin Festivals, Azalea Festival, all samples from the North Carolina 1977 Calendar of Events published by the State's Travel Development Section.

The book contains 406 events with a brief description of each, the dates, and a contact for additional information. The color cover is a picture of the annual reenactment of the First Official July Fourth

Celebration in Old Salem at Winston - Salem. Eleven black and white photographs illustrate the book, and monthly calendars are included for easy reference.

The booklet will be used to answer thousands of inquiries from potential out - of - state visitors during the next year, and to boost the state's billion - dollar tourist business.

Copies of the brochure may be obtained free from "Calendar of Events, Department '77, Post Office Box 27687, Raleigh, North Carolina 27611."



**APPRECIATION DAY** -- St James United Church of God held "James Peterkin Appreciation Day" Sunday to honor the gospel hour radio host. Pictured, left to right, are Elder Manley Purcell, Bishop J.A. Jackson, Rev. Robert Graham, Mr. and Mrs. Peterkin, Rev. J.W. McRae, Dr. M.H. Williams, Rev. W.K. Mitchell, Overseer E.H. Bain and Rev. F. Wooten.