



**REUNION** -- Twenty six out of the 72 members of the 1962 class at Hoke High gathered April 9 at the Captain's Place for dinner and disco. Gag gifts were a road map for the one coming the longest distance, a large comb for the male who lost the most hair, and a bottle of Geritol for the one with the largest family. Seated, left to right, are Helen Huffman, Jimmy Bryd, Jackie Williams, Larry Phillips, Lawanna Hayes, Monty Lamont, Helen Hobson, Frances Carter, Wayne Walker and Pat Satterwhite. Standing, Shirley Gossett, Patsy Ellis, Anne Wright, William McDonald, Patsy Iron, Hugh Wilson, Lynda Newsome, Mickey Riley, Reggie Waddell, George Brown, Linwood Huffman, Charles Baker, Fletcher Wright, Pete Biggs, Wayne Ashburn and Jimmy Jones.

### 1977 Tobacco Changes Proposed

A proposed rule making changes for flue-cured tobacco has been published in the Federal Register. If the proposed changes are adopted, the following would apply:

- Producers could plant an acreage equal to or less than 107 percent of their effective farm allotments and retain eligibility for price support.
- Producers would be required to report their planted acreage.
- Sufficient farms would be visited to assure the accuracy of the producer's certification.
- Measurement service would be made available to producers for staking an acreage equal to 107 percent of the effective allotment. Producers will be notified if these proposed changes are adopted.

#### Farm Storage and Drying Equipment Loan Program

Program changes are being made to be more responsive to the needs of farmers and encourage participation in on-the-farm storage and drying capacity. Changes are as follows:

- Storage need determination will be based on two years production instead of one year.
  - The amount which may be loaned is increased to 80% from 70%.
  - Cost (materials and labor) for concrete work and electrical wiring may be included in the "Net Cost".
  - The County Committee can approve up to \$25,000 instead of \$10,000.
  - The State Committee can approve \$50,000 instead of \$25,000.
- The interest rate for all outstanding loans is reduced from 7 1/2 percent to 7 percent. The 7 percent

#### General Fund Up

The North Carolina Department of Revenue announced that March, 1977, net General Fund collections amounted to \$199.3 million. After adjustment for a distortion caused by the change from quarterly to monthly in the manner of collecting money withheld by certain employers, this represents a percentage increase of 13.56% over March, 1976.

For the first nine months of the current fiscal year, net General Fund collections were \$1.4185 billion compared with \$1.1788 billion for the first nine months of the 1975-76 fiscal year. If the year to date General Fund collections are adjusted to give effect to the change in the method of remitting income tax withheld by employers, the percentage of increase over the same nine month period of 1975-76 will be 14.23%.

Without adjusting for the above mentioned distortion, the respective percentages would have been 37.68% and 20.33% as shown on the attached schedule.

March net Highway Fund collections amounted to \$43.5 million compared with \$36.1 million collected in March, 1976, an increase of \$7.4 million, or 20.42%. Gasoline tax receipts amounted to \$23.0 million compared with \$21.9 million collected in March, 1976, an increase of \$1.1 million, or 5.09%.

Net Highway Fund collections for the first nine months of the current fiscal year were \$312.1 million as compared with \$300.6 million collected during the first nine months of the 1975-76 fiscal year, an increase of \$11.5 million, or 3.82%. Gasoline tax collections for this nine month period were \$214.8 million as compared with \$206.3 million collected during the corresponding period of the 1975-76 fiscal year, an increase of \$8.5 million, or 4.11%.

will remain constant for the balance of the loan term.

Interested persons should contact the local ASCS office. **ELIGIBILITY FOR PARTICIPATION**

**TION IN ALL PROGRAMS ADMINISTERED BY ASCS IS ESTABLISHED UNDER LAW WITHOUT REGARD TO RACE, COLOR, CREED, NATIONAL ORIGIN OR SEX.**



The annual rockfish run has been a tradition in the Roanoke River as long as anyone can remember. Evidence of this is supported by the fact that the Weldon Rockfish Hatchery has been in seasonal operation almost continuously since 1872.

The rockfish (striped bass) climb the Roanoke each spring out of Albemarle Sound and the Atlantic Ocean and spawn. Much of the spawning takes place in that stretch of the river at Weldon, and although the peak of the fishing varies from year to year because of water levels and temperature, it usually hits its stride in late April or early May.

Fishing pressure is always heavy, and that's nothing new. When I was a kid growing up in Halifax County, it was not uncommon to see businesses close during the height of the run. The river would be lined with boats. My grandfather and father and I would use an old 16-foot wooden river boat which was moored on a long line connected to a steel cable that stretched across the river. Back then, the river flooded more frequently and it was impossible to keep a boat at a dock year-round, even a floating dock.

We'd get a pail of blood worms or cut bait and anchor at a likely looking spot along the muddy bank. The fish rarely reached as much as four pounds, and the average was more like two pounds. Also, the river was always thick with mud. "You could stick your finger in it and when you took it out, it would leave a hole," one old-timer used to tell me. Mud was not the only problem. The river was heavily polluted with everything from pulp mill waste to raw sewage.

It's not the same anymore, and for that we can all be thankful. The river has been cleaned up drastically in recent years. Albemarle Paper has put in extensive pulp waste control facilities, and many of the other pollutants are also largely gone. Now, instead of running red, the river usually has a pleasant green color. Likewise, the slime and foam is not too gone. There was a time -- not too long ago -- when your line collected so much slime that it was unpleasant to fish. (That slime, by the way, was a bacteria that grew in the waste, not wood pulp as many of us thought). The river smells better now, though you can still smell the paper mill when the wind is right.

As for the rockfish, they seem to be doing well. Indeed, over the years, there seem to be more larger ones taken than there were years ago. Whereas a 10-pounder might take the annual prize when I was a kid, fish that size and larger seem more common now.

The Weldon Hatchery still operates each year, and in addition to working to improve the fishing in

the Roanoke, excess striper fry are also used to stock other rivers and lakes in North Carolina.

If you've never fished the Roanoke during the spring run, or if you stopped fishing it years ago because of the pollution, you might want to give it another try this year. There's a N.C. Wildlife Resources Commission free boating access area just above the hatchery at Weldon. Bait is available at several local spots nearby, or you can use artificials which have grown in popularity in recent years. Fishing is also good downstream from Weldon (there's a ramp at Hamilton).

Timing is very important, and for that reason it's a good idea to try to go with someone familiar with the fishery. Even then, it's sometimes difficult to predict the best time.



Read Luke 15:3-7

"It was fitting to make merry and be glad, for this your brother... was lost, and is found." (Luke 15: 32 RSV)

A television program called "Mr Public Service" recently became popular in our country. People who need help come to the studio where their needs are televised. Every once in a while a distraught father or mother makes an appeal for a son or daughter to come home.

As the parent calls his child to come home, he often breaks into tears. The studio audience usually is moved by the parent's tears, and it seems that sorrow is deeply felt by all.

There are times when the wandering child is reconciled to his loved ones. They bring him to the studio to tell everyone that their search is over. There is always visible joy; everybody in the studio is smiling. It is as if the whole world rejoices when a child is reconciled to his parents.

Is this not the way it is with us when we are reconciled to God?

**PRAYER:** Dear God, thank You for looking for us and finding us, and for the joy when any of us is found. Help us to join in the search for the lost and to share in the joy when they are found. In the name of our seeking Savior, Amen.

#### THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

Today I will join the search for the lost and rejoice when they are found.

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## Post Office Promotes 1

Postmaster Joseph Carver announced the recent promotion of William L. "Billy" Monroe to the position of Superintendent of Postal Operations at the Raeford Post Office.

Monroe's promotion is part of the Postal Service's goal toward recognizing the knowledge and ability of its employees for promotion to supervisory and management positions.

Monroe is a life-time resident of Raeford. He and his wife, Joan, have one daughter Cathy.

## LEGALS

**CREDITOR'S NOTICE**  
Having qualified as Administratrix of the estate of McKoy Maxwell, deceased, late of Hoke County, this is to notify all persons having claims against said estate to present them to the undersigned on or before October 28, 1977 or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned.

This the 28th day of April, 1977. Fleeta J. Maxwell  
Administratrix  
Willcox and McFadyen  
Attorneys-At-Law  
Raeford, N.C. 28376

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feet (which includes the 33-foot width of said sand-clay public road), to the Beginning, containing eleven (11) acres, more or less, and being the same land described in and conveyed by deed registered in Book of Deeds No. 99 at Page 137 of said Hoke County Registry, and to which reference is hereby made. Excepted from the foregoing description are two parcels heretofore conveyed by deeds duly recorded in Book 106, Page 109, to E.W. Pruitt (.32 acres) and Book 107, Page 437, to J.W. Feltman (.77 acres).

And being the same property described in a deed from Walter R. Smith and wife, Laura E. Smith to Augusta W. Gardner, Jr. and wife, Geraldine Burns Gardner, by deed dated July 9, 1969, and recorded in Book 155, Page 58 in the office of the Register of Deeds, Hoke County, North Carolina.

The above described property is subject to a deed of trust from Augusta W. Gardner, Jr. and wife, Geraldine Burns Gardner to Robert W. Pope, Trustee, by Walter R. Smith and wife, Laura E. Smith, dated July 9, 1969, and securing an obligation in the original amount of \$45,000 and recorded in Book 154, Page 145, in the office of the Register of Deeds, Hoke County, North Carolina.

This the 22nd day of April, 1977. H. DOLPH BERRY  
Commissioner  
MARLAND C. REID  
Commissioner  
Law Offices of  
BERRY & CAUDLE  
First Atlantic Building  
216 N. McPherson Church Rd.  
Fayetteville, N.C. 28303

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and more particularly described as follows:

Being all of Lot No. 129 of ROBBINS HEIGHTS SUBDIVISION as shown on a plat entitled "ROBBINS HEIGHTS" prepared by Robert Gatlin, Registered Surveyor, on November 8, 1950, and as recorded in Map Book 3, Page 33 of Hoke County Public Registry, to which reference is hereby made, and described in mates and bounds as follows:

BEGINNING at a stake in the eastern edge of Forest Street in said subdivision, said stake being located N 2-00 E 170 feet from where the eastern edge of Forest Street intersects with the northern edge of East Prospect Avenue; thence continuing with the eastern edge of Forest Street N 2-00 E 70 feet; thence S 88-00 E 140 feet; thence S 2-00 W 70 feet; thence N 88-00 W 140 feet to the point of BEGINNING, and being all of Lot No. 129 of the said Robbins Heights Subdivision.

This sale will be made subject to all outstanding taxes, if any, and prior liens of record, if any.

**CASH DEPOSIT:** Ten per cent (10%) of the first \$1,000.00 and five per cent (5%) on any additional bid will be required at the sale.

This, the 12 day of April, 1977. BOBBY BURNS McNEILL  
SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE  
Hostetler & McNeill  
Attorneys-at-Law  
Raeford, N.C.

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### NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP

TAKE NOTICE that the partnership by and between Charles Linwood Hayes and Edward Hayes known as "Hayes Farm" has been dissolved as of December 1, 1976 by agreement between the said partners and that Charles Linwood Hayes is no longer associated with the farming and business operation henceforth carried on under the name "Hayes Farm."

This the 20 day of April, 1977. CHARLES LINWOOD HAYES  
EDWARD HAYES  
Willcox & McFadyen  
Attorneys-At-Law  
Raeford, N.C.

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### NOTICE OF SALE BY SUBSTITUE TRUSTEE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF HOKE

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain Deed of Trust executed by Eddie G. Riddle and wife, Margaret Ann Riddle, to W.N. Sapp, Trustee, dated the 9th day of January, 1975, and recorded in Book 184, at Page 271 in the Office of the Register of Deeds of Hoke County, North Carolina, said Deed of Trust being subsequently assumed by WRIGHT and FOSTER, and by virtue of authority vested in the undersigned, Substitute Trustee, by an instrument in writing in Book 196, Page 637, default having been made in the payment of the indebtedness hereby secured and the said Deed of Trust being by the terms thereof subject to foreclosure, and the holder of the indebtedness thereby secured having demanded a foreclosure thereof for the purpose of satisfying said indebtedness, the undersigned Substitute Trustee, will offer for sale at public auction to the highest bidder for cash at the Courthouse door in Raeford, North Carolina, at 12:00 o'clock Noon, on the 4th day of May, 1977, the lands conveyed in said Deed of Trust, lying and being in Raeford Township, Hoke County, North Carolina, and more particularly described as follows:

Being all of Lot No. 191 (One Hundred Ninety One) Sunset Hills Revision No. 3, Map Book 3, Page 32, of the Hoke County Public Registry, to which reference is hereby made for a detailed description.

This sale will be made subject to all outstanding taxes, if any, and prior liens of record, if any.

**CASH DEPOSIT:** Ten per cent (10%) of the first \$1,000.00 and five per cent (5%) on any additional bid will be required at the sale.

This, the 11 day of April, 1977. BOBBY BURNS McNEILL  
SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE  
Hostetler & McNeill  
Attorneys-at-Law  
Raeford, N.C.

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### NOTICE OF SALE BY SUBSTITUE TRUSTEE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF HOKE

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain Deed of Trust executed by Ralph J. Calloway and wife, Peggy A. Calloway, to O.S. Aiken, Trustee, dated the 31st day of March, 1964, and recorded in Book 130, at Page 305 in the Office of the Register of Deeds of Hoke County, North Carolina, said Deed of Trust being subsequently assumed by Daisy Dockery Beatty and son, Rufus Beatty, and by virtue of authority vested in the undersigned, Substitute Trustee, by an instrument in writing in Book 196, Page 633, default having been made in the payment of the indebtedness hereby secured and the said Deed of Trust being by the terms thereof subject to foreclosure, and the holder of the indebtedness thereby secured having demanded a foreclosure thereof for the purpose of satisfying said indebtedness, the undersigned Substitute Trustee, will offer for sale at public auction to the highest bidder for cash at the Courthouse door in Raeford, North Carolina, at 12:00 o'clock Noon, on the 3rd day of May, 1977, the land conveyed in said Deed of Trust, lying and being in Raeford Township, Hoke County, North Carolina

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain Deed of Trust executed by Ralph J. Calloway and wife, Peggy A. Calloway, to O.S. Aiken, Trustee, dated the 31st day of March, 1964, and recorded in Book 130, at Page 305 in the Office of the Register of Deeds of Hoke County, North Carolina, said Deed of Trust being subsequently assumed by Daisy Dockery Beatty and son, Rufus Beatty, and by virtue of authority vested in the undersigned, Substitute Trustee, by an instrument in writing in Book 196, Page 633, default having been made in the payment of the indebtedness hereby secured and the said Deed of Trust being by the terms thereof subject to foreclosure, and the holder of the indebtedness thereby secured having demanded a foreclosure thereof for the purpose of satisfying said indebtedness, the undersigned Substitute Trustee, will offer for sale at public auction to the highest bidder for cash at the Courthouse door in Raeford, North Carolina, at 12:00 o'clock Noon, on the 3rd day of May, 1977, the land conveyed in said Deed of Trust, lying and being in Raeford Township, Hoke County, North Carolina

Having qualified as Executor of the estate of Willie James Sinclair, deceased, late of Hoke County, this is to notify all persons having claims against said estate to present them to the undersigned on or before October 7, 1977 or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned.

This the 7 day of April, 1977. Hostetler & McNeill, Executors  
Attorneys - at - Law  
Raeford, N.C.

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### CREDITOR'S NOTICE

Having qualified as Executor of the estate of Clyde Finley Knox, deceased, late of Hoke County, this is to notify all persons having claims against said estate to present them to the undersigned on or before October 7, 1977 or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned.

This the 7 day of April, 1977. Betty Clark Knox, Executrix  
Hostetler & McNeill  
Attorneys - at - Law  
Raeford, N.C.

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### CREDITOR'S NOTICE

Having qualified as Executor of the estate of Willie James Sinclair, deceased, late of Hoke County, this is to notify all persons having claims against said estate to present them to the undersigned on or before October 7, 1977 or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned.

This the 7 day of April, 1977. Hostetler & McNeill, Executors  
Attorneys - at - Law  
Raeford, N.C.

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