

More Rain Needed Soon, Though, Agent Says

Most Hoke Crops Looking 'Real Well'

Around Town

BY SAM C. MORRIS

The weather is still hot and dry, but the approximate one inch that came last week did help. My wife said after reading my column did I think that had brought the rain? No, the rain came before the paper had ever made the mail.

There is no forecast for the temperature to reach the 104 degree weather of a week ago but it is supposed to be in the 90s most of the week.

In the May 29th issue of *The News-Journal* the following paragraph appeared in this column.

"It seems that a certain gentleman who was nice enough to come by the office every once in awhile and give us the weather data, has been awfully busy in the past few weeks doing what? I will not use his name, because it might embarrass him."

Now it seems that someone figured out who the gentleman was I mentioned in the column. Last Friday I received a letter from Germany and enclosed was the above paragraph torn out and written beside it was the following:

Mr. Morris,
"Don't be too harsh on him. He has other things on his mind - 4 other things to be exact! We're coming home!"

The note was signed by Ann Beach. Ann is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gatlin and she and her husband, Major Martin Beach, and two children have been stationed in Germany for the past several years.

Understand that they arrived in Charleston, S.C. on Saturday. Welcome home Ann and family.

Henry Blue, who took pictures at the 1934 - 1935 Class Reunion, said that the proofs were back and that they could be seen by coming by *The News-Journal* office. After looking them over I will say that Henry did a fine job and the pictures turned out swell. He said he would order Monday and that other orders after that would be ordered when the negatives are returned.

So if you want a picture come by and place your order.

I had a card from Carrie Hall Lake, who had a trip to the hospital recently. I will quote the following paragraph from the card: "Thank you too, for taking time to send me a card while I was in the hospital, the newspaper and your very kind words about me. I am happy to report that I didn't have a heart attack but a heart spasm, and now I am home and feeling fine. Would you believe I had to miss the Republican Convention after all? Rather it has been that than the Reunion tho. Hope to see you next time I am in Raeford."

So glad to hear you didn't have the heart attack I wrote about - will not comment on the R-convention. Hope to see you real soon.

Congratulations to Della Maynor, being elected a delegate to the Democratic National Convention. I believe she is the first from Hoke County. If not I will hear from someone.

The "Bill Heyward Day" at the Raeford Presbyterian Church was all that anyone could ask for that day. The weather was perfect and the food on the tables was in abundance. The Heywards were in fine spirits and health and the mayor was getting what he called "holy kisses."

It was no doubt that Bill Heyward was moved by this expression of kindness and love by the people of the Raeford Presbyterian Church. Of course when an event of this sort is such a huge success it is

'Bill Heyward Day' Held Sunday

Raeford Church Honors Former Pastor

Raeford Presbyterian Church honored a former pastor Sunday before a congregation that filled the sanctuary.

The honor guest was the Rev. William Bailey (Bill) Heyward, recently retired pastor of First Presbyterian Church of Dunedin, Fla., where he and his family are now living.

The occasion was "Bill Heyward Day," and the Raeford City Council added its tribute. Heyward was honored for the services he gave the church and the Raeford community while he was pastor of the church, from, officially, the third Sunday of June 1947 through 1964.

With him on his "day" here were his wife, Sarah; their son, Nat (Nathaniel J.) and his wife Kathryn and their two children, Willie and Josie; and the Rev. and Mrs. Bill Heyward's daughter Julia of New York City. Nat Heyward served as assistant with his father at the Dunedin church.

Nat Heyward brought the message during the special Service of Recognition, which was the morning worship service, honoring the elder Heyward.

Harold Gillis, who presided, made the introduction, then presented the elder Heyward with a certificate of appreciation which reads: "In grateful recognition and appreciation of his 17 years of faithful ministry and civic leadership in this church and community, the Congregation of the Raeford Presbyterian Church hereby proclaims June 22, 1980, as Bill Heyward Day."

"His Lord said unto him, Well done, thou good and faithful servant: thou has been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter into the joy of the Lord," Matt. 25:21.

Dick Neeley presented Heyward a watch inscribed, "Raeford Presbyterian Church Bill Heyward Day June 22, 1980." Heyward's wife was presented with a porcelain bohemian bird, which would join the three other porcelain figures she has at home.

Heyward responded to the tribute by saying that, while this is a time the church has shown its appreciation to him, he can show his appreciation "to you" for having allowed him to serve as pastor.

Mrs. J.W. McLaughlin, a charter member of the congregation who had served on the Pulpit Committee which found Heyward for the pastorate here, told Heyward this church can make or



HEYWARD FAMILY -- The Rev. Bill Heyward is shown here with his family during the Bill Heyward Day honoring the former Raeford Presbyterian Church pastor Sunday. L-R, wife Sarah; Bill; daughter Julia; son Nat; daughter, Josie. (Photo by Harold Gillis)

break a preacher and that it had intended to make a preacher out of him. Heyward was 32 and serving Royal Oaks and Second Presbyterian churches of Kannapolis when he was named Raeford pastor. The Kannapolis churches were Home Mission supported at the start of his ministry and under his leadership became self-sustaining congregations.

Sunday's service was closed by a prayer led by J.W. (Buck) McPhaul.

At the 12:45 p.m. picnic, Raeford Mayor John K. McNeill, Jr., read a resolution, adopted by the Raeford City Council, which declared June 22 "Bill Heyward Day," for his civic and community leadership during his pastorate here. McNeill also gave the traditional keys to the city to Mr. and Mrs. Heyward and their son and daughter-in-law.

Watson Gillis of Clearwater, Fla., a Raeford native who is a member of the Dunedin First Presbyterian Church, read a letter from the Dunedin church's clerk of Session commending the Raeford church for honoring the Rev. Bill Heyward.



Raeford Mayor John K. McNeill, Jr., speaking Sunday just before presenting the Rev. Bill Heyward (right) with a key to the city. (Photo by Harold Gillis)

The Rev. and Mrs. Bill Heyward also were presented gifts from the Raeford plant of Faberge, Inc., and from the House of Raeford.

Dr. John Ropp, now in his 11th year as pastor of Raeford Presbyterian Church, gave the blessing

which preceded the starting of the picnic.

Heyward preached his first sermon at the Raeford church May 4, 1947, and became the fifth pastor in its history when he was (See BILL HEYWARD, page 6)

Hoke Getting \$94,845 For Youth Jobs

The Hoke County Board of Education has been granted \$94,845 in federal Comprehensive Employment and Training Act funds to employ 65 disadvantaged Hoke County young people.

The contract, under the new Summer Youth Employment Program, was signed with the State Division of Community Em-

ployment in Raleigh June 17. It was among contracts signed by officials of 26 agencies.

The Hoke contract period runs from May 20 through Sept. 30.

In order to be eligible, a youth must be economically disadvantaged at the time of application and 14 through 21 years of age at the time of enrollment.

The Summer Youth Employment Program provides eligible youth with useful work and sufficient basic education and institutional or on-the-job training to assist these youths to develop their maximum occupational potential and to obtain employment not subsidized under CETA. The programs are designed to meet the

diverse individual needs of each participant.

The division administers CETA funds in 91 counties. It is responsible for statewide planning and policy development of employment and training programs. The division dispensed \$104,612, 351 in CETA funds for programs in

which 77,975 participants were enrolled during the fiscal year ending September 30, 1979.

The signing with the division of the Department of Natural Resources and Community Development was held in the ground floor Hearing Room of the Archdale Building.

Picked At State Democratic Session

Maynor Convention Delegate

Della Maynor, Hoke County's register of deeds, was named a delegate - at - large Saturday to the Democratic National Convention in August.

She was one of 22 delegates named during the State Democratic Convention held in Raleigh.

In other action, the 2,000 Democrats heard U.S. Sen. Robert B. Morgan, D-N.C., describe the Republican - supported Congressional Club as the force of reaction.

Morgan is opposed for reelection by a Republican backed by the Congressional Club. He said he expected a campaign by the club "filled" with innuendo, smears and accusations that are absurd and

sometimes vicious."

Miss Maynor was one of the Hoke delegates for the state convention. The others were Leroy Hensley, Charlotte Kelly, Ed Lumbley, Orpie Lumbley, Jimmy Morrissey, Mrs. J.W. Hayes, Mary Kemp Thomas, Ellen McNeill, Julius Vanner, Kathryn McPhatter, and Ken McNeill, chairman of the county Democratic Executive Committee.

Miss Maynor is running unopposed for reelection in the November general election to her second consecutive four-year term as register of deeds. She also was unopposed in the May 6 Democratic primary for her party's renomination.



Della Maynor



FOR EMPLOYING YOUTHS--The Hoke County Board of Education has been awarded \$94,845 in Comprehensive Employment and Training Act funds to operate a Summer Youth Employment Program. Audrey Long, director of the Summer Youth Employment Program, is shown signing the contract with James R. Lott, deputy director of North Carolina Comprehensive Employment and Training Act Programs. The program will provide jobs for 65 Hoke County disadvantaged youths ages 14-21.