



South Hoke School students are shown here just before they boarded the bus for the overnight camp outing October 13.

## S. Hoke Students Go Camping

Eleven Fourth Grade students of Mrs. Frances Davis's resource class at South Hoke School went on an overnight camp-out at Camp Rockfish last week.

They left October 13 and returned the next day.

The boys and girls planned their menus and activities. Some of the students helped to buy the food, comparing prices to get the best bargains. They also made "sit-upons" to use around the camp fire.

Bob Pryor, camp director, lead the students on a nature hike.

Miss Martha Warren helped with a nature art activity.

The students prepared their dinner and cooked over the campfire. Later they made "some mores" and popcorn and sang. Mrs. Miriam McNeill helped with the singing.

The students slept on cots in the cabins.

Other adult leaders who stayed with the students were South Hoke Principal Hank Richards, Steve McNeill, Mrs. Lee Hust, and Mrs. Davis.

## Concrete Plant To Open Here By Mid-November

A new concrete manufacturing plant is expected to open in Raeford by the middle of November, a company spokesman said last week.

The company, Commercial Products Inc., will employ six or seven workers initially and will utilize three 10-yard mixer trucks.

Commercial Products has been in business for over 30 years with five plants located from Monroe to Laurinburg.

The Laurinburg plant has been serving Hoke County and company officials feel that there is a demand here to support the eight cubic yard batch facility being constructed here.

"We are looking forward to

serving Hoke County and the surrounding area," Vice President and Sales Manager Jack Crumpler said.

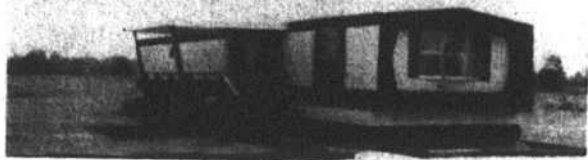
The firm has plans for future expansions of the plant and will add other products, Crumpler said, noting that it would be premature to elaborate on the plans.

The plant is under construction near the Edenborough Shopping Center.

**FIRST S&L MORTGAGED** -- This is a model of the first house ever mortgaged by America's very first savings and loan association. It also was the first on which a mortgage loan was foreclosed. The model is being displayed at Heritage Federal Savings & Loan of Raeford in observance of the 151st anniversary of the founding of the first savings and loan association -- Oxford Provident of Frankford, Pa., by Isaac Shallcross, known as "the father of the savings business." Shallcross issued the first mortgage loan -- for \$375 -- to Comly Rich on Rich's house at 4276 Orchard St., Frankford. Shallcross also issued America's first home improvement loan -- for \$125 -- on Rich's house. Rich, then 35, and his wife, Charlotte, had three children. The house contained about 500 square feet of living space and had been built on a lot of approximately 17 feet by 99 feet. The first foreclosure by a savings & loan in America was made on Rich's house in 1831.

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**20 YEAR SERVICE AWARD** -- Robert S. Grice has received the 20 years service award from Burlington Industries in Raeford, N.C. Having begun his career October 12, 1962, Robert has held various positions in the Pindrafting Department and presently works as a Section Maintenance Specialist. In recognition of his award Robert has received his 20 year service certificate, pin, and money clip. Congratulations to Robert Grice for his many years of loyal service.

## Accent On Agriculture

Many people off the farm do not realize that farmers are the consumers of their products.

For example, farmers buy more tires than anyone else in industry. It is not uncommon for farmers to have several dozen tires in use on their farms running in all sizes and shapes with some of the large combine tires costing as much as \$1,000 each.

Many billions of dollars are spent each year by farmers in order to have equipment, seed and chemicals needed to plant their crops.

In the fertilizer industry, approximately 23 million tons are sold to farmers each year.

Chemicals, used to control weeds and to eliminate many insect pests which would be detrimental to the quality of farm products are also a necessary expenditure for farmers. These costs total about \$116 million per year, making farmers a large customer to the chemical industry.

Farmers are also one of the petroleum industry's largest customers.

The farmer is a big seed customer. Most seed is raised by hybrid

seed producers in order to insure a uniform high quality product.

Some seeds are raised by farmers themselves but, in general, they purchase most of the seeds used.

So, the farmer is a large consumer. He understands how a consumer should be treated. His philosophy of treating others as he would like to be treated is found generally in his production and marketing practices.

Without markets, production is unnecessary. Farmers know that no one can embargo a customer without that customer retaliating. Much of the difficult times in agriculture today were started when the United States government imposed embargoes on some of our foreign customers.

Farmers hope to win back their confidence as a reliable supplier and win them as consumers again. If this does not happen, the foreign income will not be there for farmers to spend as customers for many needed farm services.

We should all understand that the farmers' business success will be shared by all.

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