

Members of the Vikings Midget football team and their cheerleaders marched during the parade.

Homecoming Parade Kicks Off Weekend

Large Crowd Crams Main Street To Watch The Events Pass

Hoke County High School's Homecoming Parade late Friday afternoon was seen and cheered by thousands who lined Main Streets.

There were no floats this time, but nevertheless the parade had its excitement.

There were cars and trucks carrying pretty girls, including Homecoming Queen Velyn Graham and cheerleaders.

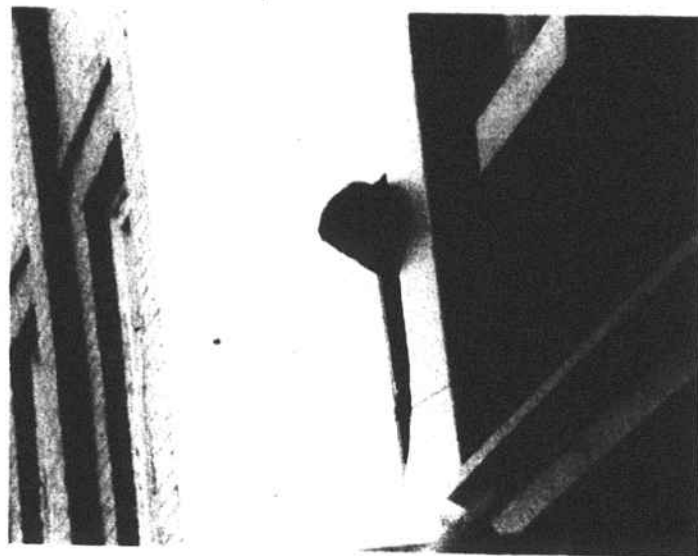
The parade also offered the Beast as well as Beauty, as Halloween was only two nights away. The "monsters" plodded beside a vehicle and did their best to frighten the youngsters in the crowd, but managed to create laughter instead of shrieks of horror. The Hoke High Band with the Rifles and Flags provided the music and much of the color of the procession. Another entry was a conga line of several students

wearing a cover that represented a bull's hide. The line danced behind a banner carried by two other students. The banner commented on the pending Homecoming game between the Hoke High Bucks and the E.E. Smith Golden Bulls.

The parade included class queens, Midget League football players with their cheerleaders, and formations and displays representing Hoke High's student organizations, such as the Health Occupations vocational students, and Spanish Club.

Smith won the game that night, but the Bucks made it close (14-6), and the end result did dampen the spirits of the Hoke High fans, naturally.

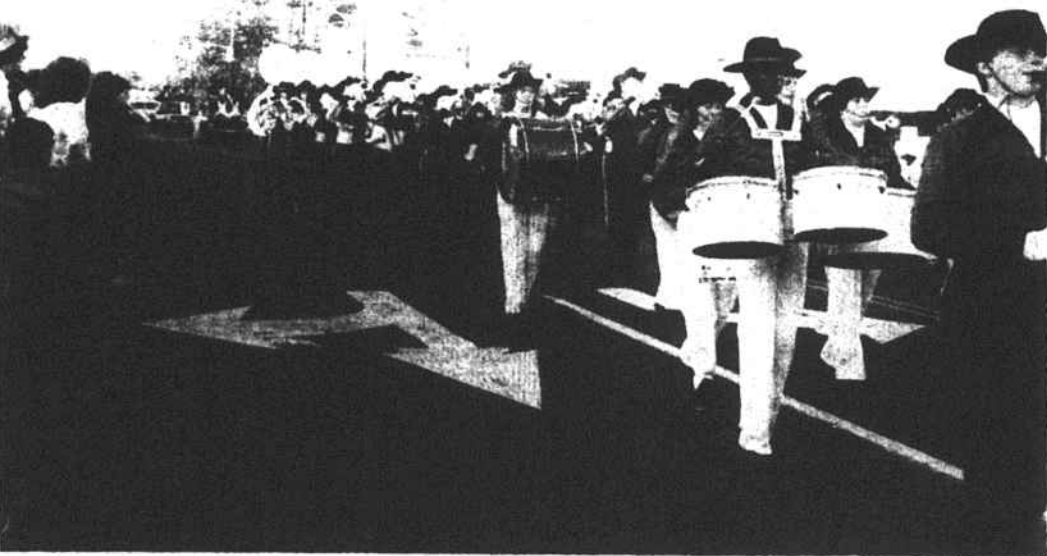
But the spirit of the participants and the spectators at the parade didn't indicate that the depression would last very long or run very deep.



Spectator Jack Lanier had a 'balcony' seat for the parade.



These three youngsters are wiling away the time, waiting for the parade to start, with some interesting conversation.



Part of the Hoke High band in the parade.



The Midget League Cowboys with Coach Banks Wannamaker marching near the end of the procession.

Halloween Comes And Goes Without Trouble

The special Halloween programs and events of last weekend were highly successful, according to reports received by *The News-Journal*.

The Second annual Halloween Carnival, a benefit for the Trainable Multihandicapped students of Hoke County Schools, was termed a success.

The program, held at Upchurch Junior High School Saturday night, raised almost double the amount the Carnival of 1981 raised for the TMH program.

The Raeford Jaycees hosted their Haunted House Thursday

through Sunday nights in the old house at Edinborough Avenue and Steward Street across the street from the Sheriff's Department.

Though the Carnival was held Saturday, Halloween was celebrated Sunday night, the traditional time, the last night of October.

Law enforcement officers reported no accidents or criminal behavior related to Halloween activities occurred.

Raeford Police Chief Leonard Wiggins reported Halloween of 1982 was one of the quietest Raeford has ever had.

"All went off smoothly," he said.

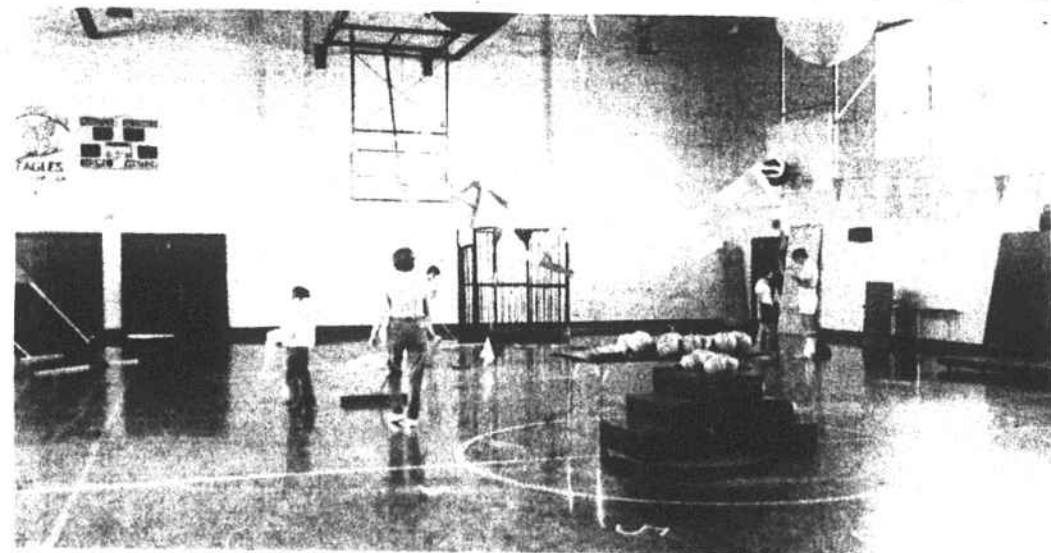
The Carnival was sponsored by the Parent and Volunteers Committee for the TMH Students of the county school system in cooperation with the Raeford Kiwanis Club.

Church, civic, and youth organizations and business of Hoke County also supported the program.

The Carnival offered the traditional games, a Haunted House, costume judging, a Cake Walk and pumpkin-judging were among other attractions.



HALLOWEEN AT SCURLOCK -- These Scurlock School teachers and teacher aides are pictured in their Halloween costumes Friday during the lunch period at school. Many of the children also wore costumes at school all day.



Part of the cleanup crew working Sunday to get Upchurch School back in order after Saturday's carnival.



The Witch [played by Rhenda Cameron] with Second Graders at McLaughlin's RIF party.



Kiwanis Carnival Coordinator John Howard works with others to sort out after-the-event debris.