





AT CHRISTMAS CONCERT -- The Hoke County High School Chorus and Chorale gave a Christmas Concert the night of December 16 in MacDonald Gymnasium at the school, and here are some scenes. Santa Claus is giving Mrs. Edna Odom a present in one picture. At left is Alice Glisson, and at right is Mrs. Odom's husband, Carl. The woman between Mrs. Glisson and Mrs. Odom was not identified. Another picture shows Ann Dorsey directing the Chorus and Chorale. The other photo shows a dance scene. The girl in the center foreground is Linda Glisson. The girl at right is Kelly Chalaire. The others were not identified. All are members of the chorus. The other members are in the background.

At SPOKE Banquet

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School Service People Honored

The First annual SPOKE 3anquet was held December 15 in Gibson Cafeteria at Hoke County High School.

The banquet was held to honor all the "spokes" in the "wheel" of education, namely the school janitors, maintenance people, and members of the lunchrooms' staffs.

After the invocation was given by Glenn Langdon, Emma Mims, J.W. Turlington School principal, welcomed everyone. She said how appreciative all the schools were for the service they give; the pleasure they bring us; their outstanding performances; that they make the key to the continuing success of the schools; and for the extra effort they put forth to help us

help us.
Supt. Raz Autry introduced each of the members of the Hoke County Board of Education, then introduced the guest speaker, Dr. Gene Causby, executive director of the North Carolina School Boards Association.

Dr. Causby spoke on the importance, and often gone unnoticed, of the lunchroom, maintenance and janitorial staffs in the school system. Without them as the spokes, he said, the wheel of education and the success of the schools could not continue.

Before the close of the banquet, the First annual SPOKE awards were given. This year, because of a tie in the votes, awards were given to two men — the first to Charles Pittman, a carpenter who has been working in the school system since 1973; and David Monroe, also of the Maintenance Department, who works with plumbing. Monroe has been with the system since 1966. Pittman and his wife, Sara, live on Rt. 4, Raeford. Monroe and his wife, Vanetta, live on Rt. 1, Red Springs.



L-R, Raz Autry, award winners Charles Pittman and David Monroe, and banquet speaker Dr. Gene Causby.



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