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Celebration

Martha Ann Hendrix of Arabia, dressed in a period costume, enjoys Hoke County's Golden Jubilee Celebration in 1961. The county will once again celebrate its beginnings with a Diamond Jubilee commemorating Hoke County's 75th Anniversary.

Jubilee begins Sunday

By Sally Jamir
Hoke County's Diamond Jubilee week begins Sunday, May 4, "Religious Heritage Day", and continues through Friday, May 9, "Reunion Day" with a special Jubilee pageant to celebrate the county's 75 years in North Carolina.

The Jubilee Planning Committee has worked hard to prepare for the weeks festivities. The downtown area will be decorated by 50 American flags donated by the Woodman of the World Association, according to John Howard, Jubilee Committee member.

Registration for visitors and guests will be held Monday through Friday in Jubilee Headquarters which is housed in the Aberdeen and Rockfish Railroad Depot. Friday registration will be held at the new National Guard Armory.

Sunday morning church observances begin the first day of the week and in the evening, 6:30

p.m., a countywide worship service will be held at Hoke High Stadium. Several area churches are participating in the service.

The invocation will be given by Rev. James L. Glenn of Freedom Chapel AME Zion Church, a prayer offered by Rev. Horace Strickland, South Baptist Church, and the speaker will be introduced by Dr. John C. Rupp, Raeford Presbyterian Church.

The sermon will be given by Dr. Albert G. Edwards of the First Presbyterian Church of Raleigh.

Sam Morris, chairman of the Diamond Jubilee Committee, will welcome the congregation.

Also taking part in the service are Mrs. Glen Langdon, pianist, Mrs. Ray Harris, organist, and the Countywide Choir directed by Rev. Ray Phillips.

The celebration continues on Monday, May 5, with "Government-Industry" Day.

Early in the day, five junior high school students from the county will be named honorary officials

for the day. They will represent the mayor, county and city managers, county commissioners and the sheriff.

A commemorative flag-raising ceremony officially opens activities for the day with Ft. Bragg's Honor Guard with Bugler in attendance, according to Clyde Upchurch, Jubilee Committee member.

Afterward, the A & R Depot will be dedicated as offices for the Raeford-Hoke Chamber of Commerce and Economic Development Commission.

Jubilee participants will be able to tour the Faberge factory, JRA Industries and the Tarheel Turkey Hatchery on Monday. Reservations for the tours can be made through Jubilee Headquarters.

The Hoke County Homemakers' Association is sponsoring an invitational luncheon for government and industrial officials at noon. Afterward, the Hoke County Parks and Recreation Commission will dedicate the Burlington Park Recreation Facilities.

The Diamond Jubilee Parade will begin at 5:00 p.m. on Main Street with Dan Norton as Master of Ceremonies and retired Admiral Alex Patterson, Grand Marshall.

Maj. General Claude Ivey, a native of Robeson County, will head the reviewing stand.

Several bands are participating in the parade, including Hoke County and South Robeson High School bands as well as the 82nd Airborne Division Band.

Several musical groups will perform Monday evening at Hoke High stadium including the Upchurch Band, bluegrass music by the Sandy Brothers and The Richard Shoe Band.

Joni Parker, Miss North Carolina 1985, will sing in the program. Miss Parker is being sponsored by the Raeford Kiwanis Club.

The multi-media presentation "Our American Heritage" will be shown Monday evening and (See CELEBRATION, page 2A)

N.C. Primary elections to be held on Tuesday, May 6

By Sally Jamir

Hoke County residents will go to the polls Tuesday, May 6 to vote in the primary elections for county, district and state officials as well as a constitutional amendment and a statewide referendum.

There are three seats open in the county commissioners race. Republican Julian H. "Buddy" Blue is unopposed. The Democratic ballot includes seven candidates: Thomas P. (Tom) Howell, James A. Hunt, Clyde A. Leach, Thomas M. (Tommy) Macko, Lawrence E. McLaughlin Jr., Mabel M. Riley and Cleo Bratcher.

The three candidates chosen in the Democratic primary will run against the Republican candidate in the November election.

The Democratic ballot for District Court Judge in the 12th Judicial District includes candidates William R. (Bill) Davis and Patricia Timmons-Croftson.

This ballot also includes State House of Representatives candidates W. Paul Graham, John C. (Pete) Hastv, Sidney A. Locks, Ronnie Roberson and Daniel H. DeVane.

Republican candidates for

United States Senator are James T. (Jim) Broyles, Glen Miller and David B. Funderburk.

Candidates on the Democratic ballot for U.S. Senator are Terry Sanford, Theodore (Ted) Kinney, Clinton H. Moore, Walt Atkins, Milton M. Croom, John Ingram, Fountain Odum, Betty Wallace, William Irwin (Bill) Belk and Katherine H. Harper.

Democrats Sarah Parker and Joseph R. John are running for Judge of Court of Appeals.

Congressional candidates on the Republican ballot are Tom Hendricks and William G. Hamby, Jr.

Voters will also be voting on a constitutional amendment which, if passed, will change the time of electing state and county officials from even-numbered years to odd-numbered years.

Those officials whose time of election would be affected include the Governor, Lt. Governor, Secretary of State, State Auditor, State Treasurer, Superintendent of Public Instruction, Attorney General and the Commissioners of Agriculture, Insurance and Labor. Justices of the Supreme Court, Judges of the Court of Appeals,

Regular Judges of the Superior Court, District Court Judges and District Attorneys, and Sheriffs and Clerks of the Superior Court.

Voters will also cast their vote in a statewide referendum for or against the location within North Carolina of a high-level radioactive waste and spent nuclear fuel disposal site.

There are 13 voting precincts and places in the county which include: Allendale precinct, Allendale Community House, Antioch precinct, Antioch Community House, Blue Springs, South Hoke School Gym, Buchan precinct,

Pinehill Fire Department; McCain, Shiloh Church Fellowship Hall; Puppy Creek, Wayside Community House; Raeford one precinct, Hoke County Public Library; Raeford two precinct, Old County Office Building (across from Post Office); Raeford three precinct, Hillcrest Fire Department; Raeford four precinct, Hoke Civic Center; Raeford five precinct, Upchurch Jr. High School; Rockfish precinct, Rockfish Community House; Stonewall precinct, Stonewall Community House.

The polls will be open from 6:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Resident injured in accident

A Hoke area resident was seriously injured in a car accident near RPR 1422 last weekend, according to N. C. State Trooper Doug Monroe.

Five passengers were riding in a 1983 Honda, around 9:00 p.m. on April 26 about four and a half miles east of RPR 1422 when it overturned.

Monroe reports that Carl Brandon Edwards, 16, of Donaldson Avenue, Raeford was charged with exceeding a safe speed.

The unidentified injured passenger was taken to Moore Memorial Hospital and treated.

Damage to the vehicle was \$4,500, Monroe reports.

Also, in an unrelated incident, a car with four passengers overturned on N.C. 211 April 27, when the driver lost control of the vehicle.

Monroe reports that Bernice McMillan, 23, Oakdale Gin Road, Raeford lost control of a 1977 Chevy at 4:25 a.m. Sunday and the car overturned.

A passenger, Beverly Study, 44, of Fayetteville was seriously injured and was taken to Moore

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Memorial planting

Turlington School scout Lewis Gilchrist helps plant a pine tree in memory of astronaut Mike Smith during a ceremony last Thursday.

Scouts honor astronauts

The exceptional in-school scouts at J. W. Turlington School felt the need to do something to honor the seven astronauts killed when the Challenger space shuttle exploded just after lift-off on January 28.

The scouts had been studying about the space program since school began. They felt personally involved with Challenger's January mission because the first teacher in space, Christa McAuliffe, was on board.

Last Thursday, the scouts honored the astronauts by planting seven trees behind the Board of Education building on Wooley Street.

The trees, planted in the shape of a seven, represent the home states of each astronaut.

Kathy Perry, scout leader and exceptional teacher, made the suggestion to plant the trees, but it was a scout who suggested the trees be planted in the shape of a seven.

School Superintendent Dr. Robert Nelson spoke to the scouts and a crowd of parents, ad-

ministrators and teachers gathered for the tree-planting ceremony.

"We must be willing to take risks," Nelson said. "If it were not for the risks many people have taken we would not be standing where we are today."

Nelson said the trees would stand as a memorial to the seven astronauts killed in the accident and also in honor of the 41 in-school scouts and their teachers.

Three of the scouts, Garrette Grace, Anthony Sanders and Ricky Covington, spoke of the seven astronauts from the podium which was brought outside for the ceremonies.

The three told of the bravery of the astronauts and Challenger's place in history.

Grace, a sixth-grader at Turlington, said he remembers sitting in class when the explosion occurred. He later saw a videotape of the accident on a television in the school library.

"I felt sad because people died when they didn't have to die," Grace said.

Around Town

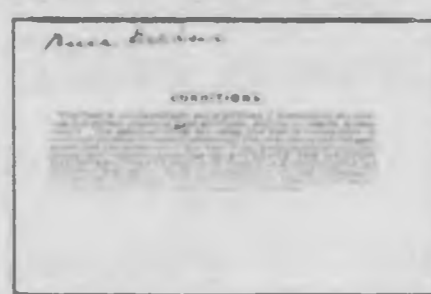
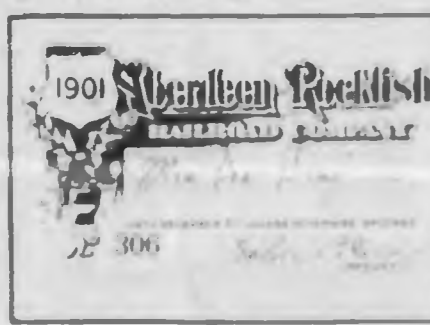
By Sam Morris

The weather has been both summer and winter since last week. We had two nights when the temperature was almost at the freezing mark. Then it warmed up and on Sunday and Monday the thermometer was near 90°.

We had a little rain over the county twice during the week, but we still need more rain. It is dry and now is the time for plants to start growing.

The forecast is for 80° weather for the remainder of the week, with a chance of rain Tuesday.

Cassie H. Wasko, who was a reporter for *The News-Journal* several years ago, has been named news-editor of the *Chariton News & Record* in Pittsboro. Congratulations Cassie.



The above Aberdeen and Rockfish Railroad Co. pass was issued to Mrs. George Graham in 1901. The pass No. 306 was valid for one year and was signed by John Blue, president. Mrs. Graham, nee Sarah Ann Blue, was a sister of John Blue, owner and operator of the A&R. The pass was brought in by Mrs. Katie Belle McLean Blythe, a granddaughter of Mrs. Graham.

While in the office Monday morning, Mrs. Blythe recalls hearing her mother and aunt tell about a snowy experience in 1897. The oldest Graham daughter, Annie, was married to R.M. Adams in a home ceremony just east of what is now McCain on January 27, 1897.

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JUBILEE HIGHLIGHTS

The Jubilee Committee wishes to congratulate all the current Hoke County residents who will be celebrating their 75th Birthday this year. They are very special people to this county's total celebration of its 75 years of history. The local "Diamonds" we know about as of now are:

• Dan McInnis	• Roger Dixon
• Neill McFadyen Sr.	• Mae Davis Pittman
• Polle B. Johnson	• Elizabeth Allmond
• Jessie Willis	• Louise Wright
• Odessa Harris	• Viola S. Fulk
• Duncan D. McCrahey	• Irvin Hubbard
• Alice Almond	• Eva Jackson
• Beatrice McBride Black	

If you qualify for this list, it is not too late to call us on 875-DJ75 and let us know.

- Open House tours of Faberge, JRA Industries and Tarheel Turkey Hatchery are planned for 10:30 a.m., Monday, May 5th. You must have a reservation and a pass to participate. Please call Jubilee Headquarters to sign up. All passes must be picked up by Friday, May 2nd or they will be given out to the persons on the stand-by lists. Visitation is limited to 50 people for each location.
- Don't forget to get your ticket for the Monument Day Luncheon before noon on Monday, May 5th. We need to have a good count on how many are attending. Lt. Gov. Bob Jordan will be the principal speaker. The luncheon is Wednesday, May 7th, noon at the new National Guard Armory.
- Everybody loves a parade!! Wait until you see ours at 5:00 p.m. on Monday, May 5th on Main Street. Burlington Industries has entered a very inspiring float representing the "Pride of America," and we understand a number of our senior citizens will participate with it.
- Remember to bring your house guests to Jubilee Headquarters at the Depot next week. We want to register them and have them see the results of the community effort in restoring the depot. Everyone should drop in to see the art works on exhibit by our local people.
- Something new!!! A display of antique farm implements will be set up by local farmers on Main Street next to the Depot on "Government-Industry" Day, Monday, May 5th. Come and see how technology has changed during the past 75 years. One day only.
- The Raeford Downtown Revitalization Commission has asked local merchants to decorate their windows next week in celebration of our anniversary. Take a stroll of Main Street.
- Remember, all tickets to our functions and the "Hoke Diamond" raffle are on sale at the Depot. Also you can buy your commemorative plates there.