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Unofficial primary returns
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Mother's Day
is May 11

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75th anniversary is celebrated

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Hoke County's Diamond Jubilee got off to a great start on Sunday evening with the countywide worship service held in clear, sunny weather at Hoke High School Stadium.

At least 600 people from several churches and areas in the county were in attendance according to Sam Morris, Diamond Jubilee Committee chairman.

The sermon was given by Dr. Albert G. Edwards of the First Presbyterian Church of Raleigh and the Countywide Choir, directed by Rev. Ray Phillips, performed during the call to worship.

The flag-raising ceremony Monday morning was held with several bands in attendance. The 82nd Airborne Band and Marching Unit as well as West Robeson and Hoke High School Bands performed in the ceremony.

The dedication of the A & R Railroad Depot building as Chamber of Commerce and Economic Development Commission (EDC) offices was officiated by Tom Howell, president of the Chamber of Commerce and John Howard, director of EDC.

Hundreds of people lined the street, and some of the roof tops, to see the parade which came down Main Street at 5:00 in the afternoon.

Grand Marshal for the parade, retired Admiral Ales Patterson, led the procession which included

several bands and many colorful floats sponsored by area businesses and agencies, including Burlington Menswear, the Chamber of Commerce, the Extension Service, the Forest Service, Heritage Federal Savings and Loan, House of Raeford, Southern National Bank and United Carolina Bank.

Honored attendees on the reviewing stand were about twenty area residents who are 75 years old this year.

Many turned out for the community barbecue sponsored by the Lions Club in the evening as well as the entertainment and media presentation "Our American Heritage."

Hundreds of people filled the stadium and field for the fireworks which started at 9:00 p.m. The brilliant show was put on by the same company which provides fireworks at the state fair.

Tuesday was Election Day with a dedication baseball game at Burlington Park as the only planned event.

A luncheon is planned on "Monument Day", Wednesday to honor Josh Pate, Jay Pate and sculptor and native son, Art Gore with Lt. Gov. Robert B. Jordan as the keynote speaker.

Dedication of the Hoke County War Memorial Monument on the library lawn is also planned for the afternoon.

"Education Day" is Thursday (See 75th, page 2A)



Diamond Jubilee

Local scouts march down Main Street Monday afternoon in a Diamond Jubilee Parade (top left). Residents attend a countywide worship service Sunday at Hoke High Stadium, (bottom left). Hundreds of fireworks light

up the night at the school stadium Monday evening (bottom right). The 82nd Airborne Color Guard participates in a commemorative flag raising to kick off "Government-Industry Day" (top right).

Howell and Bratcher receive nomination; DeVane winner

Two Raeford businessmen have gained their party's nomination to run for seats on the Board of County Commissioners, unofficial Democratic Party Primary returns show.

Mabel Riley came in third, but because she did not receive a majority of the votes, McLaughlin, who finished fourth, can call for a run-off primary race.

Tom Howell, who narrowly missed election in 1982 when he

finished third in a run-off primary, garnered the largest number of votes during Tuesday's primary with 1,474 votes. Howell is president of Howell Drug Company.

Incumbent Commissioner Cleo Bratcher Jr., won his party's nomination for a seat on the board of commissioners with 1,401 votes.

Bratcher, owner and operator of Elwood Barber Shop, is seeking a second term as a commissioner.

If McLaughlin calls for a

primary run-off, it will be held on June 3.

Riley received 1,058 votes and McLaughlin was close behind her with 1,025 votes.

There were seven candidates running for the Democratic nomination for seats on the board of commissioners.

Incumbent James A. Hunt lost his party's nomination with 753 votes. Candidate Clyde A. Leach received 832 votes and Thomas M.

(Tommy) Macke received 554 votes.

Three seats are open in the county commissioners' race.

Primary winners Howell and Bratcher and the winner of the McLaughlin-Riley primary run-off will be running against Republican candidate Julian H. "Buddy" Blue in the November elections.

Incumbent State Representative Daniel H. DeVane and incumbent Representatives Sidney Locks and

Pete Hasty were returned to office.

In the district, DeVane received 14,846 votes; Hasty received 12,026 votes; Locks received 12,577; Roberson received 3,440 votes and Graham received 10,290 votes.

In Hoke County, DeVane received 2,222 votes; in Robeson County 9,700 votes and in Scotland County, 2,924 votes.

Hasty received 1,566 votes in Hoke County; 7,726 in Robeson

and 2,734 in Scotland.

Locks received 1,608 votes in Hoke County; 8,239 in Robeson and 2,733 in Scotland.

Roberson received 355 votes in Hoke County; 2,574 in Robeson County and 511 in Scotland.

In Hoke County, Graham received 733 votes; in Robeson, 8,106 votes and in Scotland, 1,451.

In a race for District Court Judge in the 12th Judicial District. (See ELECTION, page 10A)

Defendants sentenced in cockfighting case

One man was sentenced to 90 days in jail and 76 other defendants were fined after they pleaded guilty to charges of cockfighting during the May 3 session of District Court.

The defendants were all arrested during a raid of a cockfighting operation in the western section of Hoke County on February 8.

District Court Judge Lary Hair passed judgments on the offenders, and set most fines at \$100 plus

court costs. In six cases, the fine was \$150 plus court costs.

Twenty-eight other defendants who pleaded guilty to the cockfighting charges were fined \$200 each and given six-month suspended prison terms by District Court Judge Warren Pate during the April 2 session of District Court. The 28 had been arrested at the same cockfight in February.

In other cases, several area (See DEFENDANTS, page 2A)



School evaluation

R. Hardy Tew, consultant for the Southern Association of Colleges, left, speaks with school board member Walter Coley at a reception at the Glen Echo School last week. Tew was in town to conduct an evaluation of the county's elementary schools.

Local schools evaluated by Southern Association

On April 29 and 30, the elementary schools in Hoke County were evaluated for accreditation by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools. The Hoke County Schools Administrative Office was also evaluated.

The schools and the Central Office were inspected by teams of qualified educators from other school systems and from colleges and universities which have already been accredited by the Southern Association.

The schools had, during the current school year, prepared a com-

prehensive self-study examining every aspect of school life. These documents stated areas of strengths and need in relation to a set of standards adopted by the Southern Association. Over the past two school years, great effort has been given in the local school system toward making improvements needed to meet the Southern Association standards.

The forty-six visiting educators will prepare a written report which will be returned to the Hoke County schools. The North Carolina (See SCHOOLS, page 2A)

Around Town

Sam Morris

The weather cooled off over the weekend, but has started to get hot again. We still haven't received any rain and it is about to become serious.

The forecast is for continued hot weather and no rain in sight.


The closing of Theresa's recently, after 29 years of service to the ladies of the county, marks another milestone for businesses that have come and gone in Hoke County. We will miss the business on Main Street, but we will also miss Theresa McBryde in her work to make Raeford and Hoke County a better place to live.

Theresa was always willing to serve on Chamber of Commerce and Merchant Association committees and always did a good job. We hope that she will be as happy in retirement and keep the same friendly smile that she had when she was in business. Best of luck, Theresa.

The Diamond Jubilee got off to a good start last Sunday night with the worship service at Hoke High Stadium. Dr. Albert Edwards delivered a fine message to the hundreds of people gathered on a lovely afternoon. The choir, under the direction of Ray Phillips, did a super job. The playing of the organ by Lee Harris and the piano by Mrs. Glenn Langdon added to the service. We should all thank Dr. John Rupp, chairman of the day, for this fine evening of worship.

The parade and the entertainment at the park before the fireworks was first class. A person from Fayetteville commented to me that our parade was better than the Dogwood Festival parade at Fayetteville.

The fireworks were everything that anyone would want to see. It made your heart jump to see and (See AROUND, page 2A)



DIAMOND JUBILEE HIGHLIGHTS

- Don't forget to have your out of town house guests register at Jubilee Headquarters in the Depot through Thursday this week. On Friday they may register at the reunion activities at the new Armory. We really want to know who came back home for this week and where we can reach them in the future.
- Tickets for the pageant for both Thursday and Friday night's shows will stay on sale at the Depot until the very last minute or until they are sold out. Adults \$3.00; children, 12 and under only \$1.00. Only 800 tickets are being sold to each night's show. This will be a spectacle you will remember for a long time.
- Very few tickets are left for the raffle on the "Hoke Diamond." Only 750 tickets are being sold on a diamond that's valued at about \$4000.00. That's pretty good odds!!
- Art shows to catch: At the library - Art Gore's work; at the Raeford Auto building - some of the best of our school students; at the Depot - showings by several of our adult artists.
- You'll want to tour the one room school house on Wooley Street on Thursday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. We've even located a few residents who attended school in the building.
- It has been a pleasure to learn of our fellow citizens celebrating their 75th birthday year with us during this Jubilee. Please go out of your way to recognize them with your kindness:

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Alice Almond Elizabeth Allmond Mamie Campbell Roger Dixon Viola S. Fulk Irvin Hubbard Eva Jackson Pollie B. Johnson Beatrice McBride Duncan D. McCrany Neill McAdyen Sr. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dan McInnis Mae Davis Pittman Jessie Willis Louise G. Wright Ruby B. Conoly Jay Lunsford Dock Morrissey Clarence Koonce Daniel McAllister Pearl Smith
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