

Big Beef tomato is All-American

For those of you who think it is never too early to start planning next year's vegetable garden, here is something to really whet your appetite — a new, juicy red tomato!



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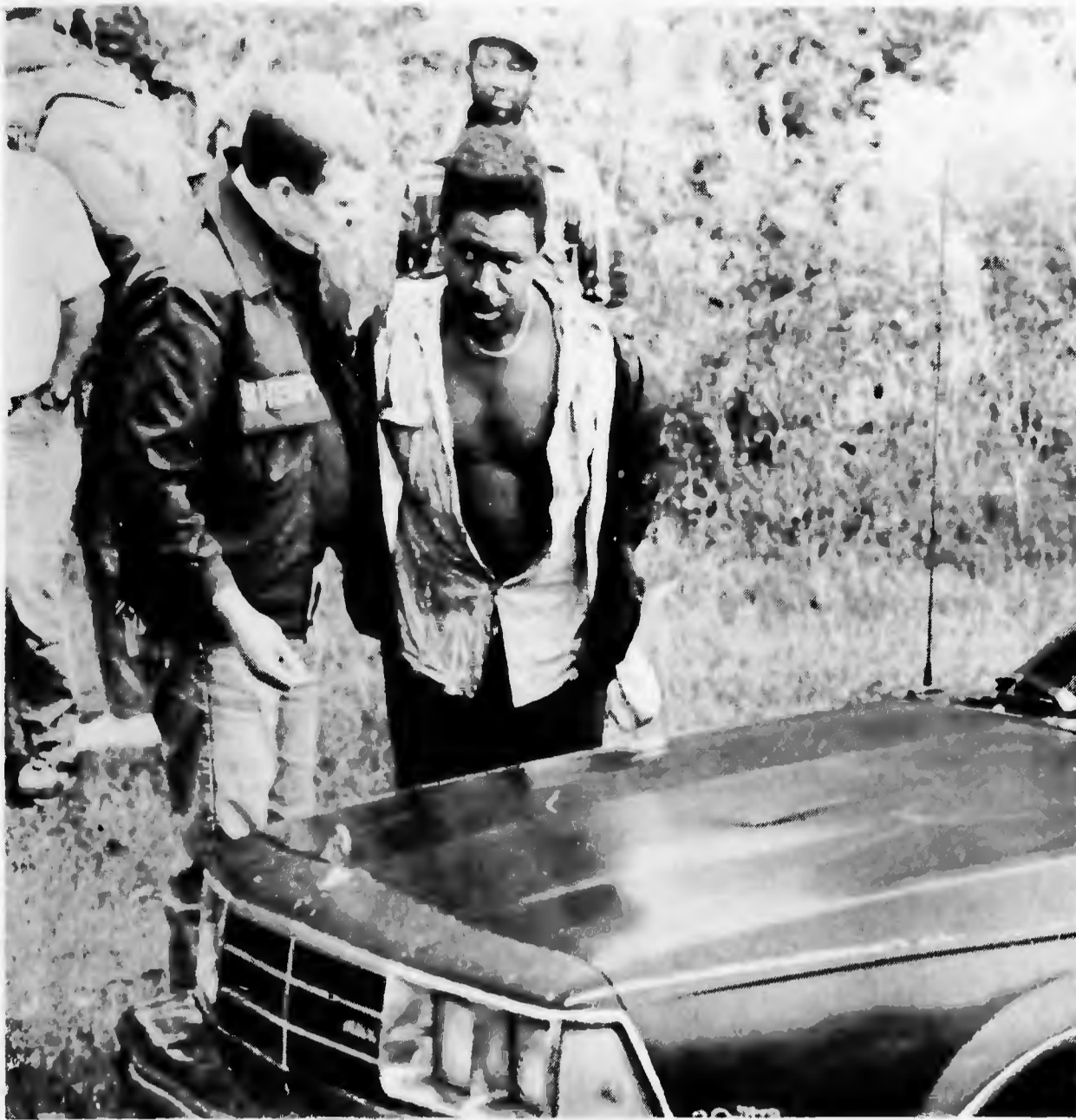
Since 1933, a limited number of vegetables have had the honor of being designated as All-American Selections. Vegetables are evaluated for flavor, texture, disease resistance, production and space efficiency, nutrition and novelty value.

One of the 1994 All-American Selections winners is "Big Beef," a red beefsteak-type tomato weighing eight to 12 ounces, and "one slice fits a sandwich." It is improved for earliness, fruit quality, taste and disease tolerances. Harvesting "Big Beef" begins in about 73 days, very early for this size. The tomato was described by AAS Judges as "meaty, not mealy," "firm flesh with a sweet flavor," and "good sugar to acid ratio." "Big Beef" improves on "Better Boy" for disease tolerances. It tolerates Verticillium Wilt, Fusarium Wilt Race one and two, Alternaria Stem Canker, Nematodes, and Tobacco Mosaic Virus. This means "Big Beef" tolerates stress,

remains healthier and more productive. "Big Beef" is an indeterminate plant, meaning it will flower, set fruit, and ripen continuously during the growing season. The highest quality beefsteak-type tomatoes will be produced when "Big Beef" plants are trained to a stake and pruned. Avid tomato growers gladly prune plants that will probably reach five to six feet when mature. "Big Beef" will take time to prune, but the reward will be a fresh, juicy beefsteak tomato with flavor never available from the grocery store. And who knows, this new tomato may help you win the title of Champion Tomato Grower in next year's Hoke County Tomato Contest!

Did you know

There are 7.5 million toothpicks in just one cord of wood (a stack of wood 4 feet by 4 feet by 8 feet).



A Sheriff's Deputy prepares to jail Timothy Lee Robinson, 23, after Thursday's high speed chase.

Chase

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chase. The man slowed down briefly when he struck a Hoke Sheriff's deputy's patrol car at Highway 211 West and State Road 1314.

But a wreck didn't slow him long, according to law enforcement officials.

He did not stop until he crashed into a highway patrol car. Roth said officers estimated Robinson's 1983 Buick was traveling about 80 miles per hour just before he was finally stopped in a field off Lake Elizabeth Road.

Roth said no one was injured in either accident.

Robinson was charged with hit and run, leaving the scene of an accident, eluding arrest and speeding.

Man charged with cycle theft

A Fayetteville man was arrested this week for stealing a motorcycle.

Hoke Sheriff's reports indicate Chico Levon Davis, 24, of Bunce Road in Fayetteville, was allegedly found riding a stolen Yamaha motorcycle on Rockfish Road.

The motorcycle belongs to Ricky Johnson of Hope Mills.

Davis was released on \$2,000 bond after charges of possession of stolen goods.

Youth charged with burglary

Raeford City Police arrested a local teen on burglary charges.

Jackson Knight, 17, of 857 Rockfish Road was charged with breaking, entering, larceny and conspiracy.

DeVane Invitational set

Organizers are seeking participants for the first DeVane Invitational Golf Tournament to be held at Arabia Golf Course Oct. 29.

The proceeds will benefit the DeVane for House Committee, the organization that supports Hoke State Rep. Danny DeVane.

The tournament format will be captain's choice. Entry is \$40 per person with \$100 hole and tee sponsorships available.

A new vehicle will be given to the first four people who get a hole-in-one on a Par 3 hole. Prizes will be awarded to the top 10 teams and the longest drives. Other door prizes will be presented as well.

Deadline for entry is Oct. 22. Checks should be made to DeVane for House Committee, Rt. 2, Box 151, Raeford 28376. For more information contact Jimmy Davis at 875-5161.

King of Hill tourney is Oct.

The 1993 Cumberland County King of the Hill Softball Tournament will be held Oct. 30.

Organizer Mark Madden of Raeford says the tournament is open to class C, D, E and military teams.

The trophy package includes first and

second place teams and bracket/most valuable player trophies. Championship T-shirts will be given to individuals

For more information contact Madden at 875-5246 or James Baker and 433-2891.

Menus scheduled for homebound

Menus for the older adult nutrition program for the week of October 25-29 for the congregate and home-delivered meals programs are:

Monday, October 25

- Roast Turkey
- Steamed Cabbage
- Sweet Potato Casserole
- Dinner Roll/Margarine
- Milk/Cranberry Juice

Tuesday, October 26

- Country Style Steak W/Gravy
- Mixed Vegetables
- Mashed Potatoes
- Dinner Roll/Margarine
- Fresh Orange
- Milk

Wednesday, October 27

- Lasagna
 - Tossed Salad
 - French Bread
 - Applesauce
 - Milk
- Thursday, October 28**
- Baked Chicken
 - Turnip Greens
 - Sweet Potato Casserole
 - Whole Wheat Bread
 - Milk
- Friday, October 29**
- Italian Meatballs
 - Buttered Carrots
 - Rice
 - Whole Wheat Bread/Margarine
 - Pineapple Chunks
 - Milk

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