



NATURE TRAIL—These youngsters get close to nature at Camp Cale's nature trail in Perquimans County.



CLOSE TO NATURE—Touring in the heart of nature, without the benefit of redbugs was what these children did.

## Camp Cale's New Outdoor Attraction

Billy Jackson, Camp Cale Council Chairman of the Chowan Baptist Association, reports that the addition of a Nature Trail has been a real asset to Camp Cale's recreation program this summer. He relates that boys and girls attending the Camp have a real opportunity to see Mother Nature at her best. The new outdoor attraction was installed as a result of a cooperative agreement with the Albemarle Soil and Water Conservation District and is part of a total Resource Conservation Plan developed for Camp Cale.

The idea being to conserve, enhance and contribute to the on going programs offered to boys and girls from throughout the Albemarle area who attend during the summer sessions. Other items in the plan include the grading, re-shaping and seeding of a play area to be used for softball and other outdoor activities. The seeding and vegetation of the recently sloped bank behind the bulkheads installed for shore erosion control is also planned in the near future.

Assisting the District, the Nature Trail was marked

and layed out by Soil Conservation Service personnel and with cooperative efforts of the North Carolina Forest Service points of interest were established which included the labeling and identifying of various tree species. The Nature Trail, being over a mile long, has cross paths which accomodate parts or all of the study area. The trail runs through the Camp's beautiful upland hardwood forest and borders several natural swamp areas. Pictured is a group on one of the tours through the nature study area.



ONLY ON MAIN STREET—A tourist and his family were spotted by staff photographer Kathy Marren recently with a canoe on its car headed north. On impulse the photo was taken to show that anything is possible on the roads today.

Fruit fritters have long been a dessert favorite with Europeans — it's about time that Americans too discovered their delights! In this recipe, chunks of ripe banana are dipped into a rich batter (quickly and easily made from complete pancake mix and water), then fried 1-23 in deep hot fat until crisp and golden brown. Drain them well and sprinkle with powdered sugar. Serve very hot, accompanied by a warm rum sauce — also an easy-make, also superb!

### BANANA FRITTERS WITH RUM SAUCE

Makes 6 servings

**Fritters:**  
 6 medium-sized ripe bananas  
 1 1/4 cups complete pancake mix  
 1 cup water

**Rum Sauce:**  
 3/4 cup sifted confectioners sugar  
 1 tablespoon cornstarch  
 1 cup half and half or light cream  
 1/4 cup butter or margarine  
 2 tablespoons light rum

For fritters, peel bananas and cut each crosswise into 4 pieces. Combine pancake mix and water; dip banana pieces in batter. Fry in hot deep fat (375°F.) about 1 minute or until golden brown. Drain thoroughly on absorbent paper.

For rum sauce, combine sugar and cornstarch in small saucepan; stir in cream. Cook over low heat, stirring constantly, until thickened and smooth. Stir in butter and rum.

To serve, place 4 warm fried banana pieces on each serving plate. Sprinkle with confectioners sugar. Serve with warm rum sauce.

NOTE: Complete pancake mix must be used in this recipe.

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## Mobile Home Law

Insurance Commissioner John Ingram said today that he is confident that proposed federal legislation to regulate the construction of mobile homes would be rewritten so that strong regulatory programs in states such as North Carolina would not be undermined.

Ingram recently testified before the U. S. Senate Committee on Banking, Housing and Urban Affairs that he is opposed to the creation of a federal bureaucracy when private enterprise is prepared to protect the public from unsafe construction of mobile homes.

"The North Carolina approach seems the most reasonable because it creates neither a federal nor state bureaucracy," Ingram said.

The North Carolina Department of Insurance's engineering division monitors inspections by independent testing agencies of mobile home inspection plants to see that the mobile homes meet North Carolina standards as specified by the N. C. Building Code Council.

Ingram said that his testimony before the committee collided head-on with mobile home manufacturers' statements in support of the federal legislation which would allow manufacturers to self-certify that construction meets federal standards. The legislation, as presently written, does not require plan approval and in-plant inspections to assure that the manufacturers are complying with the federal standards.

Ingram said he was encouraged by remarks by Sen. John Sparkman, D-Ala., chairman of the committee. Sparkman, one of the original signers of the bill, said that the proposed legislation "needs a whole lot of work" before it would be acceptable to Congress.

After Ingram's testimony, Sen. William Proxmire, D-Wisc., assigned a member of his staff to work with the N. C. Department of Insurance in writing a committee substitute which would not undermine effective regulatory programs in states such as North Carolina.

"North Carolina has led the way in protecting mobile home buyers from shoddy, inadequate and unsafe construction," Ingram said. "In North Carolina, we believe the public not only demands but deserves that we go forward with true consumer reforms."

The only alternative to the safeguards North Carolina receives through its independent testing program "would be a federal bureaucracy," Ingram said. "This is the crux of the matter."

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All persons interested in the proposed plan are invited to attend the hearing and take part in the discussion. Persons desiring to be heard should notify the Board in writing on or before the date of the hearing. Written statements concerning the proposed action may be presented at the hearing or filed with the Board within seven (7) days following the conclusion of the hearing.

Copies of the proposed plan may be obtained upon request from the Air Quality Division, Department of Natural and Economic Resources, Office of Water and Air Resources, P. O. Box 27687, Raleigh, North Carolina 27611.

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