

## WHEN WE WERE IN HIGH SCHOOL

May 23, 1963

### **94 Teachers Participate In Training**

During the past two years Hoke County teachers have taken advantage of the In-Service Education Program approved by the State Legislature for the 1961-63 biennium.

Last year 50 Hoke County teachers participated in one of the courses sponsored by Fayetteville State Teachers College and A & T College of Greensboro. These teachers represented the school staffs of Upchurch, Scurlock, West Hoke and Burlington Schools.

This current year the Negro teachers participated in a course sponsored by Fayetteville State Teachers College.

The faculty at Hawk Eye completed a course at Pembroke College. In a course taught at St. Andrews College in Lenoirburg one staff member from Hoke High and McLauchlin and two staff members from Raeford Elementary participated.

The courses offered have been: 1. Federal Government 2. General Science 3. Functional Grammar 4. Contemporary world History.

These courses have been free with the exception of the cost of the textbook. The purpose of the training is to bring teachers up to date in subject matter. Courses dealing with "methods of teaching" are not acceptable under the program. To this date a total of ninety four Hoke County teachers have participated.

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August 26, 1965

## **Book Fee Dropped Parents Still Pay**

Children in elementary schools throughout the county will not have to pay book fees, but will pay a regular school fee for necessary supplies, it was announced Tuesday.

The fees, which will cover library, audio-visual, science, recreation, etc., will vary in amounts of some schools. They are as follows:

Raeford Elementary, \$3.50 plus an additional \$3.50 for gym suits for grades 7-8; Scurlock, \$2; J. W. McLauchlin, \$4; West Hoke, \$1.25; Burlington, \$1; Upchurch, grades 1-4, \$2; grades 5-8, \$2.50; Hawk

Eye, primary \$1.25; grammar grades, \$1.50. All high school students will pay \$5 plus other fees which will not be applicable to all students. Insurance fees also are optional. They are \$3 per child in Raeford schools and \$2.50 elsewhere.

Principals at each school will be the same as last year: D.D. Abernethy, Hoke High; G. A. Page, Upchurch High; Earl Oxendine, Hawk Eye; Lonnie Bledsoe, Raeford Elementary; J. D. McAllister, Scurlock; J. W. Turlington, Raeford Elementary; M. B. Hayes, West Hoke,

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J. H. Chalmers, Burlington.  
Lunchrooms will be open  
after Monday.

Lunchroom managers will be  
Mrs. Willie Andrews, Raeford  
Elementary; Mrs. Clearsie  
Johnson, Scurlock; Mrs. Mary  
D. McBryde, McLauchlin; Mrs.  
Lela Teal Hoke High; Mrs. Isabel  
Smith, Upchurch; Mrs. Og-  
letree Burke, West Hoke, Mrs.  
Frances Oxendine, Hawk Eye.  
Burlington School's manager  
has not been determined yet.

Hoke County bus drivers are:

Hoke High -- Jimmie Thomp-  
son, Charles Hayes, Van Car-  
ter, Martin Webb, George Phil-  
lips, Allen Thornberg, Henry  
Pickler, Joel Chrissman,  
Frankie Bristow, L. E. Foster,  
Larry Gordon, Lyn Heath,  
James Sanders, Bobbie Dew,  
Doris Lee, Butch Posey.

Upchurch High -- Robert  
Armstrong, Robert Graham,  
Jackson Knight, James Ker-  
shaw, Flora McPhatter, James  
Bullock, John Virgil, Martin  
McLean, Freddie McCollum,  
James McPhaul, Mildred Mc-  
Koy, James Liles, Marvin Mc-  
Call, Maxine Walker, Freddie  
Douglas, Alberta McRae, Wil-  
liam Lee Monroe, Blanche  
Readdy, Lonnie McIntyre, Wil-  
lie Lee Bratcher, Lucille Mur-  
chison, Norman Copeland, Billy  
Artis.

Hawk Eye -- Phil Pierce,  
Eugene Lowery, Brenda Ox-  
endine, Joyce Locklear, Wace  
C. Locklear, Earl C. Locklear,  
Glenda Oxendine, Joel Dial, Oz-  
ell Jacobs, Brantley Locklear,  
Betty Lou Rogers.

January 17, 1963

## *Boy And Girl Eagles Maintain Win Streaks*

The Upchurch Eagles posted their 6th and 7th straight wins last week, stopping Shawtown of Lillington 42-32 and throttling Armstrong at Fayetteville 59-34. Both were conference tilts.

Here Tuesday night the Eagles had trouble getting airborne, spotting their foe a 15-12 first-quarter lead. In the second period, however, the Birds threw up a tight defense, holding Lillington to 3 points in the segment while scoring 13 to gain a 25-18 half-time advantage. The teams played evenly in the third stanza, scoring 8 points a piece, but Upchurch had a 9-6 edge in the final frame to wrap up its 6th straight victory. Robert Blue and William McRae shared scoring honors with 12 each.

James Gay aided and abetted with 10.

In the girls affair it was no contest. The Eaglettes shellacked their guests 41-12. Mary Thomas and Dorothy Ray led the assault with 15 and 11 points respectively. Marily Murchison assisted with 9.

At Armstrong Friday night the Eagles recovered from a ragged start and went on to trounce their hosts 59-34. Again the Birds found themselves behind at the end of the first quarter, this time 13-12. Points were sparse in the second frame but Upchurch scored 7 while Armstrong could collect only two free throws, giving the Raeford boys a 19-15 intermission margin. Led by Blue and Gay, the Birds outscored

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their opponents 40-19 in the second half, hitting 9 for 9 in the third stanza for 100% accuracy from the floor. This enabled the locals to keep their field goal shooting for the season at 50%. Blue popped in 20 markers and Gay had 19. Blue also grabbed off 14 rebounds as Upchurch bettered Armstrong 45-27 in this department.

The Eaglettes withstood the pressure of an undefeated Armstrong sextet to record their 6th straight triumph. In a great team effort four lassies hit in double figures to subdue the

stubborn Fayetteville crew. Thomas had 15, Ray 13, Murchison and Ross 10 each. Smith of Armstrong won scoring honors, however, with 17.

The Eagles are at home tonight (Thursday) against Shaw of Wagram with tap-off time set for 7:30. And the Elizabethtown Bulldogs will be hosted here by the high-flying Eagles next Tuesday evening.

-- W. T. McALLISTER.

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1963 EAGLES - Seated left to right -- Rufus Singletary, William McRae, Robert Blue, James Gay and Lenzie Morrison.

Standing left to right -- Howard Smith, Assistant Coach, Joe McBryde, Johnny Long, Grady Little, Wilson McDowell, Coach, Rudolph Singletary, Kerby Galbreth, Willie Campbell, and Ervin Hollingsworth.

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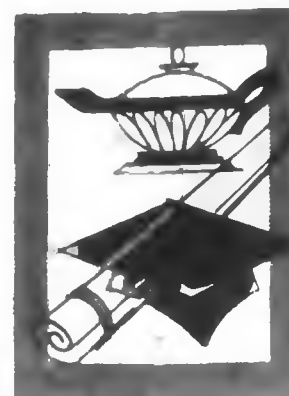


WITH TROPHY . - Upchurch Coach Wilson McDowell holds the trophy his Eagles won for reaching the semi-final round of the State AAA High School basketball tournament as the co-captains, Robert Blue, left, and James Gay, stand by.





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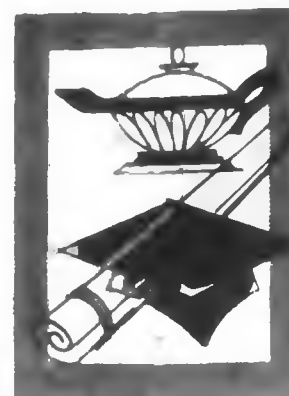
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March 28, 1963

# Davenport Writes On Physical Ed

## TO THE EDITOR:

Intended or not, I feel that your front page article in last week's paper concerning happenings at the Hoke County P. T. A. meeting on February 18, 1963 portrays two false impressions to the public. The first impression one might get upon reading this article, is that the Hoke County Health Center might be opposed to a school physical education program, in view of the fact that you mentioned my title as Health Director in your article. The second impression one might get from the article in question is that there might be a silly childish feud between the Hoke County Health Director and the Hoke High School Director of Athletics and Physical Education. Would you kindly help to set the record straight by printing this letter?

In the first place, I was at the P. T. A. meeting in question as a private citizen who was invited and urged to attend the meeting by his own children. I had no prior knowledge of the issue in question and did not come to the meeting in any official capacity with any official opinion or program to push. I have no official nor personal feud with any of the school authorities including the athletic and physical education staff.

Since there would appear to be some dissension concerning the Hoke County Physical Education Program, let me state my position in this matter now for the public record -- as a physician, as a father of school children, and even as the Hoke County Health Director. This position has, since the P. T. A. meeting in question, been discussed with the principals of Hoke High School and Raeford

Elementary School, and would seem to be in agreement with their ideas of what the school physical education program is, or should be. I have not had the opportunity, nor the invitation, to discuss this with Coach Willson and his staff -- but if such is requested or is in order then I will be happy to do so. I do feel, however, that parents who feel that the physical education is too strenuous for their own children have the right and duty to discuss the problem with the proper official, at the proper place and at the proper time. This would be fair to the official in question, would accomplish more than gossip and squabbles at meetings can do, and is the proper way to do things in a free, democratic society. I do believe that the proper procedure for dissatisfied parents would be to consult with the following officials in the order listed, and if satisfaction is not obtained from the first official then they have a right and a duty to consult the next in line.

Parents have no right to gripe without going through these proper channels. It is my opinion that satisfaction can be obtained even though it requires going to the total list of officials. The suggested chain of command is as follows:

- a. the physical education instructor in question.
- b. the head of the department of physical education.
- c. the principal of the school in question.
- d. the Hoke County Superintendent of Public Instruction (Mr. W. T. Gibson, Jr.)
- e. the Hoke County Board of Education, whose chairman is Mr. D. R. Huff Jr.

The basic points with which I agree concerning a physical education program in the schools are as follows:

- a. A physical education program is important and essential.
- b. A physical education program should have certain goals which are reached gradually, starting at the point of fitness with which the student is endowed initially.

c. A single physical education class might well carry a student to the point of fatigue, but exhaustion should be avoided.

d. Grading of the physical education student should recognize improvement in physical fitness rather than merely the height of achievement.

e. The program should recognize the fact that some children have limitations in physical fitness for health reasons. An adequate certification of this by the family physician should clarify this point.

f. Failure of a student to achieve an admirable standard of physical fitness should not result in ridicule nor in punishment of the student in question since this accomplishes nothing constructive, and humiliates the student and his family.

g. If injured, the student should be taken for treatment to his own family physician, rather than to the physician of the coach's choice.

To summarize, there would appear to be some misunderstanding in the physical education program which should be cleared in the proper way. Please put the Hoke County Health Director on record as being in favor of a safe, sensible physical education program. Lastly, I ain't mad at nobody.

--CLIFTON DAVENPORT M.D.

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### Dr. Taylor Heads Dept.

Dr. William Taylor, a negro formerly of Sanford and husband of Annette Kelly Taylor, (daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rufus G. Kelly of Blue Springs Township in Hoke County), has been named head of the chemistry section of nuclear laboratories of Combustion Engineering Co., in Windsor, Mass.

The company announced shortly after he assumed his new duties that Dr. Taylor and two colleagues pooled their resources to solve the problem

of sample preparation chemistry isotopic analysis and data evaluation. The new discovery provides a valuable analytical service not only to combustion engineering but to many other industries as well.

Both Dr. and Mrs. Taylor received their master's degree at A & T College in Durham. He completed his doctorate during the past year at the University of Connecticut.



September 9, 1965

## ***Dropouts Return To High School***

Hoke High School is growing and the cause is partly due to the return of dropout students.

Principal D. D. Abernethy said Monday that enrolment is more than 50 students higher than it was last year at the close of school. Some students who previously dropped out have returned: One boy was encouraged to return to school by his employer. He is now working the third shift so that he can go to school in the daytime.

The high school enrolment as of this week was 518, compared to 462 at the close of school last year. The major part of the increase is due to growth in the county's population.

The additional students have caused the lunchroom to go on a staggered schedule. The first shift is served at 11:44 a. m. and the second at 12:35 p. m.

Even though the school lost its special English class teacher, it gained an agriculture teacher and the teaching force remains the same in number.

"We have several new courses and a better program this year," Abernethy said. There are two new classes in forestry, two in mechanics (auto and tractor, one in agriculture management, one in advanced government, and one in beginning government, and one in physical geography.

To be employed on an experimental basis this year is a TV course in United States History. Miss Jacquelyn Carroll will head the course with

Mrs. Jill Prince as assistant.

Other new teachers and their subjects are: Mrs. Diane Young, English; Mrs. Lorena Upchurch, mathematics; Mrs. Barbara Miller, general science; Miss Grace Owens, commercial; Mrs. Mary Archie McNeill, chorus (glee club). There are 26 teachers in all.



Mrs. Stephanie (Neil L. Jr.) McFadyen has accepted the job of secretary to the principal. She succeeds Mrs. Kathryn Johnson, who had filled the position for the past five years. Mrs. Johnson is leaving next month for New York where her husband will continue his military service. Mrs. McFadyen was formerly employed at the ASCS office here.

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# Eagles Beaten In 3-A Semi-Finals

BY W. T. McAllister

Ending their season on a sour note, the Upchurch Eagles were soundly drubbed 76-39 in the semi-finals of the State 3-A Tournament at Greensboro last Friday by Jones High of Washington. It was the worst defeat for a McDowell's team in his eight year career here.

A dismal performance by the locals was in complete contrast to the hustle and drive that had impelled them past three opponents in three days a week earlier. The Birds bobbled several scoring opportunities early in the game resulting in a 12-8

quarter lead for their foe.

The Upchurch quint had a frigid second period and were outscored 25-6 to trail 37-14 at intermission. The Eagles picked up a little in the third frame but were hurt by fouls, losing three starters with several minutes remaining in the game. The Jones boys continued to widen the breach against inexperienced Eagle subs in the final stanza.

The Raeford Cagers hit 14 of 45 field goals for 31.1%. Washington had 28 of 60 FG's for 46.6% and 20 of 25 charity shots for 80%.

Despite the unhappy ending, the Eagles posted an impressive 19-4 season's record.

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Mrs. John Best. Mrs. Robert

March 14, 1963

# Eagles Move Up In Cage Play

The Upchurch Eagles knocked off three foes in the Eastern District III, 3-A Tournament at Fayetteville last week to gain a berth in the State 3-A semi-finals which open tomorrow in Greensboro. Upchurch will meet Jones High of Washington at 3:30 in the A. and T. College Gymnasium.

Averaging 70.3 points per game in the series, the Eagles crushed Fayetteville's Armstrong High 78-29, routed C. S. Pope of Burgaw 70-39, and

stymied arch rival Anne Chestnut 65-55. In capturing their second district crown in three years, the Birds used a well-balanced attack with five men averaging in double digits for the series, led by Blue with 18, McRae 11, Hollingsworth 10.7, Gay 10 and Singletary 10. Morrison also had several key baskets in the championship tilt.

Having lost four starters last year, speculation at the beginning of the season was that the Eagles would struggle. (See EAGLES, Page 10)

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ring of the season was that a 50-50 year would be considered good for the pre-Eagle aggregation. However developed and improved, remarkably with each game and so far have a notable 18-3 record -- two of their losses being by a slim 2 points.

Asked about the upcoming tournament outlook, coach McDowell said, "I think we should get to the finals." Comparing this group with the one of last season, the genial Eagle mentor remarked, "These boys have something the ones last year didn't - desire!"

Win or lose, Wilson McDowell and his assistant, Howard Smith, have produced another consistent winner in hardwood competition.

December 13, 1962

# Eagles Sweep Openers

The Upchurch Eagles, who lost four starters last year via graduation, opened their basketball season last week with double wins over Saint Pauls, 39-16 and 56-25 on Tuesday and Friday nights respectively. The Eaglettes, taking full advantage of the new "two may roam" rule, also chipped in with a 22-12 victory at Saint Pauls. They did not play at home.

In the opener Tuesday, the Birds appeared to have some difficulty with organization, but played well enough to soundly beat a determined but inept visiting quintet. Rufus Singleary and James Gay shared scoring honors with 10 each for the locals.

On Friday, the Eagles returned the visit and although on a foreign court, looked very much improved. Led by Robert Blue's 26 points, they soared

to a commanding 23-8 half-time lead and coasted to an easy 56-25 win. Guard James Gay tossed in 14 markers to aid the cause. Many of the reserves had opportunity to gain some sorely needed experience.

The Eagles are not expected to post as good a won-lost record as last year when they lost only 3, but the possibility of some pleasant surprises does exist. When asked about this year's outlook, Coach Wilson McDowell said, "We should be better by tournament time."

Tomorrow night the Birds will try for their third win at Lillington where they tangle with Shawtown.

The Eagles will host to Lumberton next Tuesday, the last game before Christmas Holidays.

--W. T. McALLISTER.

December 27, 1962

**DOWN LUMBERTON**

# Eagles Undefeated At Holiday Break

Fifty-four to 43 and 34-16 were the final scores in favor of the Eagles and Eaglettes respectively over Hayswood of Lumberton Tuesday night of last week at the Upchurch gym. It was the fifth successive triumph for the Eagles. Their sisters are 4-0.

Drubbing their foe at Lumberton the night before, the local sextet again overwhelmed the Robesonians whose inaccurate shooting offset many scoring opportunities made possible by their aggressive play. Mary Thomas continued her prolific scoring, pouring in 21 for game high honors and maintaining her team lead at 20 per game. Bernice Ross, a roaming guard, added to the humiliation with 6.

In the boys tilt, the Eagles were hard pressed to turn back a 2-A team that appeared unperturbed by 3-A competition. Off to a slow start, neither team could get a margin of any consequence and after swapping leads several times, they fought to an 18-18 halftime standoff.

The visitors concentrated their defense on big William McRae who had scored 22 points against them the previous night, but apparently were unaware of the scoring punch of Robert Blue, a senior forward who is accurate from the outside and also adept at driving in for lay-ups. Starting the third quarter, Blue replaced McRae in the pivot spot, hit four quick baskets and went on to lead



his mates to a 41-29 spread by the end of the period. He hit 75% of his attempts in this half, 47.6 for the night, and scored a game-high 20 points.

McRae had 13 and Gay 11.

Significant in the Bird's success so far is their shooting accuracy from the floor. They are averaging better than 50% per game. Linzie Morrison hit 4 of 4 and Gay 4 of 6 to lead their cohorts to a team average of 53.3 in the Lumberton affair. However, the locals could manage only 4 of 15 free throws for a lowly 26.7%.

The Eagles resume play Tuesday night, January 8, entertaining Shawtown of Lillington. First string forward Rufus Singletary, who sat out the last game with a sprained ankle, is expected to be in shape for this contest.

--W. T. McALLISTER

January 24, 1963

# Eagles Still Fly Without Defeat

The soaring Upchurch Eagles tucked away two more games under their wings last week, upping their record to 9-0 for the season. Tuesday night they went to Lumber Bridge and drubbed the Oakridge Tigers 61-32, and at home Thursday night they overwhelmed the Shaw Dragons from Wagram 66-35. The Eaglettes kept pace by downing the Tigresses 40-14 and the Dragonets 36-10.

At Oakridge it appeared that the Tigers had visions of successfully defending their den, trailing by a retrievable 27-19 half-time score. The Eagles, however, padded their cushion to 37-23 by the end

of the third period, and it became obvious in the last stanza that the Cats could not run with the sailing Birds who garnered 24 points while holding their hosts to 9 in this frame. Several Upchurch reserves collected some on-the-job training in the waning minutes. Forwards Robert Blue and Rufus Singletary got 19 and 18 tallies respectively. Monroe had 15 in a losing cause.

The local lassies had an easy time with the female felines. Scoring almost at will, Coach Howard Smith's charges raced to a 25-4 half-time lead and glided home to their 7th straight win. Big guns for the Eaglettes were Thomas with 17 and Ray with 16.

Against Shaw the Eagles quickly shattered any hopes the Dragons might have had of breathing an unquenchable fire on the home quintet. The Serpents tied the game 2-2 after a minute of play, but were never really in the game afterwards. The locals built up a 15-2 lead over the next 6 1/2 minutes, ending the fast break, netted Upchurch a 31-8 intermission spread. Continuing

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their torrid pace, the Birds had widened the gap to 54-18 when the third period buzzer sounded. In the final quarter, when McDowell let all his players see action, the Wagram visitors outscored Raeford 17-12--to no avail, of course. James Gay shared scoring honors with McLeod of the losers. Both had 18.

The Eaglettes toyed with the Dragonets, scoring 21 points before their guests rang up 2 markers just seconds prior to half time. Thomas's 19 points were sufficient for the victory but Ray helped out with 9 and Ross added 6 for good measure.

The Birds are still posting an unusual shooting accuracy from the floor, hitting 56% on 28 of 50 shots against Oakridge and 27 of 51 attempts against Shaw for 52.9% -- a better mark than they have from the free throw lane.

Six of the Eagles remaining 10 games are conference tilts. So far they have won three conference games. Tomorrow night they host Armstrong of Fayetteville and on Tuesday night the Johnson Rams from Laurinburg come to town. Both are conference foes.--  
W. T. McALLISTER

September 12, 1963

## *Education Powers Man To Better Standard Of Living*

No one today, it appears, can escape from the truism that education is the fuel which powers a man to a better standard of living.

A USDA publication reveals that the educational level even affects the salary of the farm worker whose duties are confined mostly to manual labor.

In the United States in 1961,

the publication notes, there were 262,000 farmworkers who had less than four years of formal schooling. They averaged earning roughly \$6.20 per day.

The largest body of farm workers got between five and eight years of schooling before dropping out. They numbered 419,000 and earned about \$6.85 daily that year.

Immediately above these on the salary scale were 150,000 workers who went to school for nine to eleven years. They were paid \$7.10, on an average, for a day's work.

Those farm laborers who received twelve years or more of schooling were paid \$10.55 per day.

There are more figures which emphasize the unbreakable tie between education and income. They show that when the level of education rises, it pulls income with it. And when it falls, income is dragged down too.

The average income of the farm family in 1961 was quoted as being \$3,200. The average non-farm family earned \$5,200

that year. And the typical urban family made about \$6,200.

Consider, now that at the recent turn of the decade, 52 per cent of the children of farm laborers lagged in educational level below the average child. And 28 per cent of the children of farmers or farm managers had schooling below the average.

More years in school, then, will mean more dollars in the pocket. It appears that the most valuable thing we can bequeath our children is the desire for a substantial education.

## *Guard Unit Marks 18th Anniversary*

They played a horrible practical joke on him, but in a more serious moment, the comrades of SFC Roger W. Dixon paid tribute to his services to the local National Guard Unit.

In a mock "trial" Saturday night, officers of the unit charged Dixon with a variety of offenses, some of which were highly complimentary, and gave him a "humiliating" sentence.

The occasion was the 18th anniversary of the local Hq. and Hq. Co., Minus, Second Battalion, 252nd Armor, company, headed by Capt. Daniel Baker, at the armory. Officers and men of the company, their wives and invited guests attended the function.

Dixon's trial came as a part of the entertainment. After the lampooning was over, Lt. Col. Paul Dickson, battalion commander and Dixon's former company commander, presented the sergeant an engraved watch. It was the gift of five of his former company commanders, including Capt. Baker, Capt. Thomas M. Mac-ko, Capt. John W. Jones, Maj. Edwin D. Newton, and Colonel Dickson.

Colonel Dickson also sentenced the sergeant, who for 16 years has held a full-time job as administrative supply technician, to "live in the everlasting esteem" of his comrades-in-arms.

Dickson gave a brief history of the guard unit and recognized several former battalion commanders in the audience, including Lt. Col. William Lamont, Col. Robert B. Lewis, Lt. Col. T. B. Lester, and Lt. Col. Younger Snead.

A quartet composed of Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Bounds, Lonnie Bledsoe and Charles Hot-  
tel, accompanied by Donald D. Abernethy at the piano, sang a half dozen "gospel" songs.



October 7, 1965

# Guard Will Not Be Called

## Local Battalion Still Top Priority

It looks like local National Guardsmen will not be called to active duty, after all.

The Department of Defense announced last week that training will be stepped up in several "super-ready" units. The list did not include North Carolina's 30th "Old Hickory" Division.

Several months ago, there was considerable speculation that the North Carolina National Guard might be federalized. That possibility occurred when defense officials decided to increase the strength of the armed forces by several hundred thousand men.

The fact that the North Carolina National Guard is not on the list of "super-ready" units does not mean that it has assumed a secondary role. The division always has been at the forefront of National Guard outfits and will remain there.

"Defense Secretary McNamara's recent decision to step up training for some National Guard and Reserve units has not relegated the 30th Division to a minor role," said Maj. Gen. Claude T. Bowers, adjutant general. "The division's not having been placed on the list of super-ready units in no way reflects on the division's capabilities or combat readiness. In fact, in view of certain developments, we were almost sure the 30th would not be placed on the list of units to receive stepped-up training."

Bowers said he felt several factors influenced the decision.

"First, the division has been a high priority division since these priorities were established in 1955, and in my opinion the division will remain in that status as an 80 per cent strength division," he said.

IMMEDIATELY AFTER WE LEFT HIGH SCHOOL

July 8, 1965



**HEAD START --** A vital part in the training of pre-school children is teaching them to overcome their inherent shyness and to associate with each other. This theory is applied by teachers in the Head Start program for impoverished pre-school youngsters in Hoke County, and the above photo show some of the youngsters playing "Ring Around Rosie" at Upchurch High School. Some 300 Hoke youngsters are attending the classes now in progress at six county schools. The federal government is paying for the program from funds provided by the Economic Opportunity Act.

July 15, 1965

## **Hoke Faculties Named: Schools Open Aug. 31**

The Hoke County school schedule for the year 1965-66 has been released by the county board of education. School will open Tuesday, August 31.

Teachers will begin work on August 26 and students will register on August 30.

Christmas holidays will begin on Friday, Dec. 17, and end on January 2. Other holidays include October 12 when teachers will attend the North Carolina Education Association meeting and Easter holidays which will be taken April 7-12.

School will close on June 1.

Teachers on the roster at this time are:

### **HOKE COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL**

Donald D. Abernethy, principal, Frances H. McLean, Annie H. Gore, Pauline F. McFadyen, Pearl S. Cole, Jane G. McKay, George Wood, John L. Pecora, Sarah H. Baucom, Helen M. Dupree, Emily M. Smith, John C. Young, Clifton R. Hayes.

Ruth M. McNeill, Donald M. Prince, Ruth Trivette, Margaret E. Moore, Jimmy N. James, Nancy C. Smith, Jacquelyn M. Carroll, William P. Phillips, Margaret H. Peden, Jacob R. Harter, Roy E. Young, Louise G. Wright, Louise Currie King.

### **RAEFORD ELEMENTARY**

James W. Turlington, principal, Almena A. McKeithan, Harriet H. McFadyen, Marlon H. Gatlin, John M. Walker, Blue M. Woodard, Gladys S. Colson, Katie M. Blythe, Dwan S. Upchurch, Woodrow H. Westall.

Imogene B. Stephens, Patricia C. Houston, Mary Jeanette White, Nannie L. Thornberg, Willie P. McPhaul, Barbara W. Wheatley, Sue B. Sumerford, Phyllis T. Hall, Helen Sellers, Mary Archie McNeill.

#### JOHN W. McLAUCHLIN

Lonnie W. Bledsoe, principal, Josie A. Hodgins, Mary A. Morris, Mary M. Roberts, Ann H. Bullard, Margaret Regan, Sarah K. Epton, Thelma M. McPhaul, Rurla B. Warner, Annette G. Wheeler, Mary Hazel Whitley, Patricia M. Walker.

Irene D. Thrower, Doris M. Johnston, Linda P. McLeod, Mary G. Senter, Caroline M. Parker, Nell Snead, Glenda C. Lester, Mary P. Jones, Peggy M. Gillis, Frances A. Miller,

Beulah M. Turner, Mildred C. Tolar, Dianne Porter Smith.

#### SANATORIUM

Grades 9-12; Grades 1-8.

Joseph G. Jenkins, Mary O. McDonald.

Emily B. Cameron, County-wide Supervisor.

#### UPCHURCH HIGH SCHOOL

George A. Page Jr., principal, Anna G. Smith, Donald R. Carroll, Charles C. Gibbs, Addie R. Pridgen, Emma J. Mims, Elizabeth B. Miller, Christalene C. McDonald, Laverne Madison, Dorothy E. Banks, Nellie D. Britton, Margaret O. Gadson, William H. Dixon.

Gilbert A. Robinson, Ellen V. Johnson, Beulah G. Monroe, Stephen L. Williams, Helen L. Williams, Lendward Simpson, James E. Norman, Georgia K. McDowell, Alice Faye McCallum, Juanita R. Lucas, Linwood Hunter, Lillian D. Gleaves, Annie H. Williams, Nancy C. Carroll.

Reba T. Holmes, Bobbie L. Bratcher, Addie M. Page, Dorothy E. Jenerette, Flora E. Hankins, Elnora S. Bradford, Eunice S. Torrey, Elnora S. Miles, Arlicia T. Raye, Annie D. Faucette, Ethel R. Adger, Iris Edmonds, Emily G. Brown, Estella Gilmore, Lucile Robinson, Valeria Wood, Alvin R. Pierce, Fannie W. Jenkins, Hilton Villines, Robert Hickson.

#### SCURLOCK SCHOOL

John D. McAllister, principal, Floyd W. Caldwell Jr., Mable L. Robinson, Willie McNeill Jr., Selena S. Pierce, Irish B. Pickett, Juanita F.

McAllister, Lillian E. Simmons, Maggie V. Bryant, Rosa M. Fowler, Luevenia M. Burke, Leona M. Coleman, Annie G. Burns, Rosa S. Anders, Hannah A. Springs, Willie R. Saunders, Dorothy M. Farrow.

### WEST HOKE SCHOOL

Maurice B. Hayes, principal,  
Lois J. Butler, Alexander Ged-  
die, Ida M. Cole, Vera W. Wil-  
liams, Rosetta C. Parker, Co-  
hildia M. Lyons, Josephine  
Campbell, Catherine C. Wil-  
liams, Clara R. Frierson, Bon-  
zie B. Dobbins, Hazeline M.  
Hayes, Geneva R. Jones, Dora  
L. Gilchrist, Barbara L. Hall,  
Jimmie Hill Jr.

### BURLINGTON SCHOOL

James Chalmers, principal,  
Magellan D. Robinson, Stanley  
C. McCorkle, Macie J. Rice,  
Nellie F. Flowers, Ida M. Mc-  
Corkle, Elsie M. Coleman,  
Evelyn M. Durham, Lois D.  
Yancey, Mary A. Scroggins,  
Patricia Ramsey.

### HAWK EYE

Earl H. Oxendine, principal,  
Pauline B. Locklear, Regina  
Carter, Harry Oxendine, Proc-  
tor Locklear, Jr., Gerald D.  
Maynor, Geraldine B. Maynor,  
Hartman R. Brewington, Roy  
W. Maynor Jr., Wilson  
Chavis, Katrina Locklear,  
Drenna J. D. Oxendine, Mag-  
dalene Lowry.

Winford Rogers, Brenda  
Brewington, Rosette O. Lock-  
lear, Emae B. Locklear, Ber-  
niece Lowry, Christine H.  
Moore, Della J. Pate, Joyce  
C. Dial, Macy D. Locklear,  
Evelyn B. Gellis, Joyce B. May-  
nor, Rolland S. Coulon, Mau-  
reen Dial.

May 20, 1965

# *Hoke Youngsters Growing Taller*

Does a person's height have anything to do with his success in this world?

If it does, as some statisticians seem to indicate, then the youngsters now growing up in Hoke County have a bright future in store for them.

Figures show that the present generation of young men is loftier, physically, than any previous one. The average youth of today is noticeably taller than his father was at the same age and considerably taller than his grandfather was.

The latest findings are that the height of the average 25-year-old man is approximately five feet ten inches, which is about an inch more than his father reached and nearly two inches more than his grandfather attained.

The figures are based on national studies made by the Department of Agriculture, on actuarial data compiled by insurance companies and on Selective Service statistics.

As a whole, present residents of Hoke County are nearly three percent taller than their 1915 counterparts were at the same stage.

Expressed numerically, it takes only 97 current-vintage men to equal 100 of these forebears -- physically, that is.

If the local population were to be reconstructed to the size of the 68-inch men, the 62-inch women and the smaller children of that period, which probably never will be done, there would be enough left over to assemble 504 additional Hoke County residents of 1915 stature.



WHEN WE WERE IN HIGH SCHOOL

March 21, 1963

## *In The Fields These Days*



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There's a great deal of this going on





But still some of this as well

December 27, 1962

***James Davis***

***Hits 60 Points***

***For USAF Team***

James Davis, nephew of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Davis of Raeford, now stationed at Vandenberg Air Force Base in California, scored 60 points the other night in a squadron intramural basketball game.

The base newspaper at Vandenberg said "the feat may never again be equaled."

Meanwhile back in Raeford, Buck basketball coach George Wood said: "Get that boy out of the Air Force, and let's see if we can get him in high school again." Wood's current aggregation could use a high-scoring specialist.

(An editorial in **The News-Journal** newspaper)

# Jobs For Colored Graduates

It was good news recently that three more Hoke Negro schools-- Burlington, Scurlock, Upchurch-- have been fully accredited by the N.C. Department of Public Instruction.

As state officials noted, this was a tribute to the efforts of students, faculty and patrons at these schools. It is not generally appreciated in the community at large just how able the young teachers of these schools are. And we are happy to extend to these good folks a small share of the recognition that is their due.

It was only a few years ago that this county made a massive effort to improve the quality of Negro schools, but already that act (of mixed motives, like all acts) poses a new challenge.

A new generation of colored youngsters is beginning to emerge from these accredited schools. They have been educated here at great cost to the taxpayers of Hoke County.

And so they leave, because the job opportunities simply are not here. White youngsters also leave in droves, but in the nature of the case the problem is more acute for colored youngsters. If we persist in closing the doors of economic opportunity, these youngsters, educated here at great cost, will leave for greener pastures. They will have no choice. But we do have a choice.

The News-Journal tries not to preach what it refuses to practice. For several years, this newspaper has employed young Negroes, not as janitors, but on the production line. This was not "charity" or "liberalism" on our part. It was hard-headed business fully in keeping with Southern traditions that have always found a useful place in the economic structure for our colored

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WHEN WE GRADUATED HIGH SCHOOL

June 10, 1965



**UPCHURCH GRADUATE --**  
Mary Melvin, above, was among  
students receiving diplomas last  
week at Upchurch High School.  
Her photo arrived too late to be  
published with those of her  
classmates.

March 24, 1966

## ***McGregor Tops All-Star Ballot***

Gilbert McGregor scored 55 points out of a possible 56 to lead the balloting for all-conference basketball honors.

The rangy 6-8 Raeford center, envy of coaches throughout the state, thus lacked only one point of being a unanimous first team choice.

Others on the squad include Gary Ashburn of Raeford, Perry Lewis of Dunn, Paul Powell of Clinton, and Burt Stephenson of Lumberton.

The team was voted by the four coaches in District II, Southeastern 3-A Athletic Association.

Making up the second team were Clarence Underwood of Clinton, Mickey Hodges of Dunn, Mack Koonce of Raeford, Allen Pope of Dunn and Doug McEwen of Lumberton.

Honorable mention went to Billy Hayes of Clinton, Ronnie Ivey, Lumberton, Andy Thorn-dyke, Lumberton, Pete Canaday, Raeford and Robin Butler of Dunn.

Raeford also placed one member on the girls all-star squad. She was Susan Howard. Other

girls on the squad include Sara Wicke, Hamlet, Pat Howard, Rockingham, Sara Coble, Laurinburg, Chris Atkinson, Laurinburg, and Kitty Adiemy, Hamlet.

McGregor was the only junior on the all-star first team. He compiled a 26-point per game average in 25 games and got more than 20 rebounds per contest in his first year of conference play.

McGregor also led the balloting for the all-conference team, which also includes Woody Wright of Hamlet, Lewis of Dunn, Stephenson of Lumberton and Charles Stevens of Laurinburg.

Ashburn was listed on the second team, along with Clarence Underwood of Clinton, David Stone of Laurinburg, Paul Powell of Clinton and Steve Winchester of Hamlet. Mack Koonce made honorable mention.

McGregor is considered a likely candidate for all-state 3-A honors. The various teams picked by the daily newspapers have not yet been announced.



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August 19, 1965

## Men in the Service

### THOMAS T. HOLMES

GRAFENWOHR, GERMANY, (AHTNC)--Army PFC Thomas T. Holmes, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas E. Holmes, Raeford, N. C., participated in a large-scale demonstration of the power of a modern infantry division for 193 members of the British Staff College who visited the 24th Infantry Division July 25-26 at the Seventh Army Training Center, in Grafenwohr, Germany.

Holmes is a gunner in Headquarters Company, 2d Battalion of the division's 19th Infantry in Germany. He entered the Army in December 1963.

The 24-year-old soldier was graduated from Upchurch High School in 1968 and attended North Carolina A and T College.

### FENNER J. SMITH

SAN ANTONIO, Tex. -- Airman Third Class Fenner J. Smith Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Willie T. Wells of 632 W. Fourth Ave., Red Springs, N. C., has completed U. S. Air Force basic military training at Lackland AFB, Tex.

Airman Smith is being assigned to Brooks AFB, Tex., for training and duty as an athletic and recreation specialist. He is a member of the Air Force Systems Command which manages all phases of acquisition for new aerospace systems.

The airman is a 1965 graduate of Upchurch High School, Raeford, N. C.

WHEN WE WERE IN HIGH SCHOOL

May 21, 1964



**We Hope Tom Jones  
Gets What He Deserves**



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from farmers in this area.)**

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Mr. Tom Jones was VERY KIND to my family.

Signed,

Clarence William Page

May 20, 1965

# School News

UPCHURCH HIGH SCHOOL

Thursday, May 20, at 10:30 a.m. the Awards Day Program will be held. Here, deserving students will be recognized for having excelled in various areas, deeds, or performances at school, or in honor of the school. Parents are encouraged to come out and see these students receive their honors.

The following week, Thursday, May 27, at 8:00 p.m. the senior class night program is scheduled. The theme for this and all related graduation exercises is "Meeting the Challenge of the Great Society."

The pre-climactic event of the year, the baccalaureate sermon, is scheduled for May 30 at 4:30 p.m. The Rev. G. D. Maxwell, pastor of Rockfish Grove Baptist Church, will deliver the sermon.

The grand finale of the school year comes on June 1 at 8 p.m. We are very fortunate to have Dr. Frank Weaver from the State Department of Public Instruction, Raleigh, as speaker for the commencement exercises.

## WHEN WE WERE IN HIGH SCHOOL

December 20, 1962

### ***Negro Schools Here Receive Accreditation***

Three more of Hoke's Negro schools have been fully accredited, according to information received this week from the N. C. Department of Public Instruction by School Superintendent W. T. (Hoot) Gibson.

The newly - accredited schools are Burlington, Scurlock and Upchurch, whose principals are (respectively) J. H. Chalmers, J. D. McAllister and G. A. Page Jr.

Said Nile F. Hunt, director of the state's Division of Instructional Services:

"Accreditation by this Department is a tribute to the aspirations of the school community and to the dedication and efforts of the patrons, the students and the staff of the school."

Gibson added that, in addition to the efforts of local school personnel, students and patrons, Hoke Elementary Supervisor Ben Brooks had worked long and hard to bring the accreditation about.

September 9, 1965

(An editorial in **The News-Journal** newspaper)

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 1965

## IN OUR SCHOOLS

# Positive Action Is Needed

It was not surprising that Hoke County schools were integrated last week without incident. For although only one Negro student had been admitted previously to our white schools, there was never any doubt that Hoke Countians would abide by the law of the land.

So we now have some 50 non-white students in previously all-white schools and every grade, one through 12, has at least one Negro student. They are in their new classrooms by choice and apparently are doing well.

Next year, there probably will be an even greater number of transfers from non-white schools, but we do not expect gradual integration through the "freedom of choice" policy to satisfy education officials in Washington for very long. Within two or three years at most, Washington will order wholesale integration of all public schools in the South, and we had better prepare ourselves for it, beginning right now.

How can we get ready for it? By upgrading all our present Negro schools, which still are segregated, by any and all possible means, until there is no substantial difference in the quality of education in any of our schools. If this requires integration of the faculties, we must be willing to integrate them even before ordered to do so by Washington, for at best we could hope to keep them segregated very little longer.

The South has been given ten years to prepare itself for this eventually. All in all, we have done a creditable job of accepting the inevitable. But while we waited passively for the racial barriers to be knocked down, it is time for positive action.

Almost certainly, we have less than another five years to prepare for total integration. There is reason to believe that within only a year or two we will be required to assign all pupils to the schools nearest their homes. That means not only assigning Negro students to white schools, but also assigning white students to Negro schools.

It is imperative, then, that we improve the present Negro schools in whatever areas they are inferior. Our professional educators are aware of their problems, we feel sure, and should work with the school board in solving them.

We cannot hope that the quality of education will not be lowered by total integration, but we can demand that it be affected as little as possible. That can be accomplished only by positive action, which should have been initiated long ago and is now absolutely essential.

By attacking the existing problems immediately, we can shorten by two or three years the era in which our children must attend inferior schools. It may even be possible to eliminate it altogether.

IMMEDIATELY AFTER WE LEFT HIGH SCHOOL

September 9, 1965

## Poverty Plan Goes To Capitol

Asks For Grant  
To Set Up SCAP

Sandhills Community Action Program will petition the federal government next week for a \$100,000 grant to set up an anti-poverty program in Hoke, Moore, Lee and Montgomery counties.

The initial grant would be used to hire SCAP directors and staffs in each of the four counties.

Individual programs would then be drawn for each county and submitted through SCAP for federal approval.

The Hoke County plan already has been drawn. It calls for expenditure of some \$300,000 in about a dozen anti-poverty projects.

Jim Fout of Raeford, chairman of SCAP, said the initial investment will cost Hoke County \$1,200. That is its prorated share of the 10 per cent of the total cost which must be supplied at the local level.

The government pays the other 90 per cent. In the Hoke program, however, it was expected that the government will pay 100 per cent of the cost, since the county is one of 17 in North Carolina designated by the federal government as "poverty-stricken."

Actually, the four counties are responsible for \$11,767.78 of the initial investment of \$117,678.75; however, all but \$5,382.88 of that amount will be provided "in kind" in the form of office space and other facilities.



March 7, 1963

# Hoke Schools Announce Pre-School Clinic Schedule

The following schedule for pre-school clinics was announced this week by the Hoke County School Superintendent, W.T. Gibson, Jr., and the Hoke County Health Director, Dr. Clifton Davenport.

Thursday, March 14, West Hoke School.

Friday, March 22, Scurlock School.

Thursday, March 28, Upchurch School.

Friday, April 5, Hawkeye School.

Thursday, April 11, Burlington School.

The purpose of these clinics according to Gibson, is to get the children orientated for school, in order that a better start can be made the day school begins. Every effort should be

made to arrive at the clinics by 10:30 a. m. on the proper day.

Physical examinations will be given by the Health Director, and all inoculations due the children will be given at these clinics. All children who will be six years old on or before Oct. 16, 1963, are urged to come to the clinic held at the school which they plan to attend.

School and health officials urge all parents to accompany the children, in order that a more efficient job might be done. The parents are urged also not to forget to bring the child's birth certificate and inoculation record if he has had any shots by a private physician.

It is very important to attend these clinics, since certain immunizations must be completed before the child can enter school this fall. The polio inoculations require a period of several months for completion and a late start might hinder the child's entrance into school on time.

It will be noted that no pre-school clinic is scheduled for McLauchlin School. It was decided again this year to continue with the previous plan of requiring students entering this school to obtain their physical examination and record of inoculations from their own family physician for presentation to school officials prior to school entry.

April 11, 1963

## *Progress Being Made In Examining Pre-Schoolers*

By Lenora Thompson

Progress is being made at the Hoke County Health Center here according to the County Health Director Dr. Clifton Davenport.

The staff recently "invented" a new way to speed up the long drawn out pre-school clinics. They formed an assembly line operation. This new method has proven beneficial to both the parents and the staff.

The assembly line, which was made possible by voluntary services provided at the Health Center by the county's Home Demonstration Clubs' monthly rotation system consists of the county's two registered nurses, Mrs. Chalmers Parks and Mrs. Bryan McLamb; the secretary, Mrs. Leonora Evers; and Dr. Davenport.

Through this new method the parents who have children with physical defects are given a referral card which is typed up by the secretary and presented to them on the spot. This way there is no waiting period

of a week to ten days. They can take their child right on to their family doctor for further confirmation, examination, or treatment.

Dr. Davenport said at the pre-school clinics the child only gets a screening examination. This means he said that the child does not get as thorough examination at the pre-school clinic as he or she would get from the family physician.

The referrals which are made at the pre-school clinic necessitates immediate attention and the children's parents should do something about them immediately he said.

Pre-school clinics are a good time to pick up defects in children the, doctor said, and added that parents will have plenty of time to have them corrected before their child enters school. This will probably prevent him or her from missing a month or so of school.

Dr. Davenport said there have been more defects found in pre-schoolers this year than before and stated that it was probably because there has been an increase in interest and in turnouts at the clinics, and a crack down on the state health law which requires every pre-school child to have the immunizations and physical examination before registration day.

Dr. Davenport listed two reasons why physical defects in some children are never corrected. They were health ignorance and poverty. He said many aren't aware of the resources that are available to them and added, "There is a way for everyone of these defects to be corrected if the parents will follow through with our advice. Many parents, in the past, have failed to do this."

Pre-school clinics for the Negro schools of the county have been completed except at Burlington School. A clinic will be held there April 11. The clinic for the Indian children was held at Hawk Eye School Friday, April 5.

Because a good percentage of the white parents have already had their children immunized against communicable diseases the doctor said that there will not be a pre-school clinic held for them at Mc-Lauchlin School. He warned, however, that every pre-schooler must have his or her health record showing they have had their pre-school physical and state required immunizations by the time they register for school.

According to the health director the Hoke County physicians have agreed to do these physicals in their office for their own private patients. However, if there are any white children in this category who do not have a family physician or can not afford one, this service is offered to them at the Health Center. They can get the immunizations anytime on Tuesdays between 8:30 a.m. and 4 p. m.

Upchurch School has had the

largest clinic thus far this year with 89 pre-schoolers turning out. The school's principal, G.A. Page, said there were far more present than had been anticipated and thought the reason was because the parents were becoming more educated to the fact of the benefits derived from the clinics.

Dr. Davenport said there were 47 referrals made at Upchurch School, which he termed a "general" clinic. The defects found included: % defects found included : 5 chronic tonsillitis; 19 phimosis; 2 eye defects; 4 umbilical hernias; 2 inguinal hernias; 8 dental defects (many more did not requiring attention now); one burn scar (disabling); 2 suspected mental deficiency; one undescended testicle; one bronchitis; 2 malnutrition.

March 21, 1963

**BAPTISTS**

# Racial Relations Meet At Raleigh

The second annual State-wide Conference on Human Relations will be convened with the Forest Hills Baptist Church in Raleigh, N. C. on Tuesday, March 5-7, 1963, beginning at 2:00 p. m. Other sessions of this conference, which has for its general theme, "Christianity and Race Relations", will be held on Tuesday evening beginning at 7:00 o'clock and on Wednesday morning at 9:00 o'clock closing at noon on Wednesday.

The program will feature many church leaders from throughout the nation. Dr. Avery Lee, pastor of the St. Charles Avenue Baptist Church, New Orleans, Louisiana, will open the conference at 2:30 p. m. on Tuesday with a discussion of the topic, "The Bible and Race."

This will be followed by a discussion of "The Nature of Prejudice" by Dr. Grady D. Davis, Dean of the Shaw Divinity School in Raleigh, and at 4:00 p. m. Dr. John A. Barry, Jr. Associate Secretary, Education Commission of Southern Baptist Convention will bring the group up-to-date on "Developments in Desegregation."

On Tuesday evening from 7:00 to 9:00 o'clock Dr. Samuel DeWitt Proctor, President of A&T College of Greensboro on leave to assist in direction of work of the PEACE CORPS in Africa for the past year and now in Washington D. C. Peace Corps office; Dr. McLeod Bryan, Professor of Religion and Ethics at Wake Forest College; and Marse Grant, Editor of the BIBLICAL RECORDER, Raleigh, will direct the group in thinking of "Racism, a World issue." "Christian Strategy for

a World of Racial Tension" and "A Layman Views the Race Problems" respectively.

On Wednesday morning from 9:00 o'clock until noon much of the time will be spent in work groups that will consider Christianity and Race Relations from the standpoint of Preaching, Christian Education, Interracial Cooperation in the churches, Desegregation, and Pressure Groups. In addition to participants already mentioned, Dr. John Wayland of Southeastern Baptist Seminary Wake Forest; Rev. John Fleming, Director of Christian Education of General Baptist Convention, Raleigh; Dr. Victor Glass, Home Mission Board of Southern Baptist Convention, Atlanta, Georgia; Dr. Clarence Patrick, Sociologist of Wake Forest College; and Rev. Will-

iam Finlator, pastor of Pullen Memorial Baptist Church, Raleigh, will lead the five work groups.

The conference will close on Wednesday morning with a message on "Missions and Race" by Dr. E. Luther Copeland, Professor of Missions, Southeastern Baptist Seminary, Wake Forest.

Joseph O. Stroud, Secretary of Department of Church Music of Baptist State Convention of

North Carolina, will direct all music for the conference which is sponsored by the Department of Interracial Cooperation of the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina, Dr. W. R. Grigg, Secretary. All sessions are open to the public.



December 16, 1965

By Jim Taylor

## *I Say Rah, Rah For Gilbert, Too*



It is especially gratifying to see Hoke High School spring forth with a winning basketball team -- which, I am led to believe, is something of a novelty in our town.

During the two previous seasons I have been here, our basketball teams left much to be desired: namely, a will and a way to win. This year, however, it's a different story.

I'm talking about the boys' team, of course, because the girls' squads of the past two years did right well. This year, the lassies, under the direction of Miss Jacqueline Carroll, are undefeated in four games and look as if they may turn out to be champions.

One of the big differences in the Buck boys play has to be attributed to Gilbert McGregor, 6-6 Negro junior playing his first season at Hoke High. Already touted as "definite college material," Gilbert has scored 91 points in four games, or slightly less than an average of 23 points. That, in any league, is good going.

Even more gratifying than Gilbert's play is the manner in which he is accepted by the basketball crowd. He without question is the darling of the fans, and deservedly so, because he has put a new "kick" in basketball here.

I saw Gilbert perform last week against Laurinburg and was impressed by his play. He seems to me to lack a certain aggressiveness, but that will come in time. It is understandable that he lacks aggressiveness now, because the situation without doubt is strange to him and he obviously is making every effort to be not only a good basketball player, but a good sport as well.

Watching Gilbert play, one does not realize his scoring ability until one looks at the record book. Last Friday night, I kept no totals during the game and at the end of the contest, I thought Gilbert probably had scored 15 points or so. Truth was, he scored 22, most of them on follow-ups and tip-ins.



His scoring average is remarkable, considering that he is "fed" the ball very, very little. If the Buck style of play were different, with Gilbert the man in the slot, he might score as much as 10 points a game more than he does. That, indeed, would bring the college scouts a-runnin'.

McGregor's play reminds me very much of that of Dickie Hemric of Jonesville, former All-America at Wake Forest. Hemric was about McGregor's height, but much heavier. Their moves were very much the same, except Hemric specialized in the hook shot.

Remarkable, in my opinion, is the quality of McGregor's defensive play. As far as I am concerned, he is more valuable under the opponent's basket than

at the home team's end of the court. I have seen few high school players with McGregor's ability to block a shot, and when he becomes more aggressive, he will be a terror on rebounds.

A prediction, then, Raeford for the first time in many years will be in the thick of the fight for the conference championship, not only because of McGregor, but with the help of several other steady players, including Benny Harward, Mack Koonce, J. W. Canady, Gary Ashburn and Bill Senter.

If McGregor continues his stellar play and escapes injury, he may very well make all-state as a junior -- a rare thing in high school basketball.

It's a shame the Upchurch Eagles had to lose such a fine player. Since they did, it is a mighty fine thing that he only moved across town.

February 17, 1966

## Terry Sanford Explains State Education Program

Because of the state's revolutionary educational program, prison populations in North Carolina have decreased steadily for several years with fewer and fewer inmates returning.

So says former Governor Terry Sanford of Fayetteville in a new book, "But What About The People?" published yesterday by Harper & Row.

Mr. Sanford attributes the state's lowered crime rate largely to the stepped-up education program launched throughout North Carolina in 1960. Geared to individual needs, it has kept youths interested in learning instead of drifting into trouble, has straightened out delinquents already in correctional institutions, and has reached into the prisons to train criminals in new vocations.

By law, any prisoner unable to read or write must attend the prison school.

"Even the rudimentary skill of learning to sign one's name is a substantial step toward correcting the maladjustment that led to prison," Governor Sanford states.

Women prisoners, he points out, afford a particularly heartening example of the effective-

ness of such schools.

"The impact of earning a high school diploma on these women who have failed in so many ways is hard to imagine," the former governor writes. "Even those released before graduation return to take part in the ceremonies. They have finally 'made good' at something, and they are rightfully proud.

"One girl came back by bus all the way from New York to participate in her graduation exercise and reception," he recalls.

As to the effectiveness of education in the correctional institutions for juveniles, records show that 94 percent of the youngsters in such institutions in North Carolina never get into criminal trouble again, he says.

The desire to improve the educational system in North Carolina prompted him to run for governor, writes Governor Sanford in his book. In his campaign speeches, he emphasized that taxes must be increased to realize this aim, and, to his surprise, he was cheered by his audiences.

"Nobody likes taxes," he says. "But we are learning that ignorance is the most oppressive tax of all. Education develops human resources. Human resources, in turn, make a nation whatever it is to be."

During his four-year term of office which began in 1960, teachers received salary raises

averaging 22%. Sizes of classes were reduced by the addition of 3,000 teachers.

In his book, Governor Sanford describes many of the unusual educational programs put into effect in North Carolina without federal initiative or assistance:

The new North Carolina Advancement School--Planned to "reach the wellspring of motivation" of bright students uninterested in learning.

The Learning Institute of North Carolina--A center for exchange of new teaching methods which formerly never reached beyond the rooms of the teachers who devised them; a link between research in educational methods and application in North Carolina schools.

The North Carolina School of the Arts--The first state-supported school of the arts in America.

Special programs for exceptionally talented children--Opportunities for them to "unleash their minds" in an unlimited academic atmosphere.

A "new look" for institutions for the mentally retarded--A "technicolor dream" of bright colors in furnishings to provide a bright and happy atmosphere; rehabilitation and training programs emphasized to enable them to become self-supporting in routine jobs when possible.

Operation Second Chance--Industrial education courses offered as an experimental approach to educate dropouts. —

February 18, 1965

## **School Bus Meeting Set**

A safer trip for Tar Heel children who ride school buses is the aim of a conference being held at Horne's Motor Lodge in Fayetteville, February 23-24 for more than 40 school principals.

One of five regional sessions, the conference is designed to improve the administration of the nation's largest school bus fleet. The major theme for the workshop is "Evaluating the School Principal's Role in Safe School Transportation." School officials in Hoke County have been requested to send a principal to the conference to take the information presented back to the transportation personnel in his local school system. The expense-paid workshop is being sponsored jointly by the North Carolina Traffic Safety Council, Inc. and the North Carolina Association of Insurance Agents, Inc.

Accidents involving the state's 9,000 school buses have increased 10 per cent in the past five years, and accidents this year are up over last year, according to the Division of Transportation of the State Board of Education.

The selection and supervision of school bus drivers, 90 per cent of whom are students, is the responsibility of local school officials. The drivers are trained by the Department of Motor Vehicles' Accident Records and Driver Education Division.



September 2, 1965

## *School Fees Bring Parental Protests*

The most popular "across the back fence" subject this week is the cost of sending children to school.

Some parents are grumbling about school fees in general, others are griping because they are higher at the local predominately white schools than in the colored ones.

At local primary and elementary schools the fees for supplies are \$3.50 and \$4 while they hover around a figure \$2 to \$3 less at Indian and Negro schools.

Two women with small children said they sent \$7 to school with each of their children. A filling station man said, "When my three got through with \$30

there was very little left." He was including a week's lunch tickets for each one. Other fees making up the total were for supplies and insurance.

A certain man said his high school son carried \$8 to school the first day and came home to inform his parents he needed \$15.50 more making a total of \$23.50. He paid \$5 for book fee, \$5.50 for activities; \$3 for insurance, \$8 for band and \$2 for typing.

W. T. Gibson Jr., superintendent of schools, explained that fees are higher at previously all-white schools because students there get and pay for more "extras."

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"At J. W. McLauchlin and Raeford Elementary schools, for example, there is a \$1.50 homeroom fee -- used to pay for magazines and other materials used in the homerooms. Other schools do not have this fee, nor do they have the materials the fee pays for," he said.

The fees, he explained, are used in each individual school and are based upon what the principal of each school thinks should be provided as "extras" in his school. Ability of students to pay the fees figures in the principal's determination of the fees, Gibson said.



May 27, 1965

## School News

### WEST HOKE

The grammar grades of West Hoke school recently attended the elementary school track meet in Fayetteville. This school's participants who won blue ribbons were Rena McAllister, Alice J. Campbell, Ruby McNeill, Carolyn Legget, Charles Chandler and Weldon McKenzie.

The over-all prize was second place for pupils here at this school for participating in the track meet. We are thankful to the parents for helping us to take part.

Recently, the eighth grade class held its "Night To Remember" with an atmosphere of happiness and joy. Many

pupils have expressed how satisfied they were with their final affair for this school year. The eighth grade graduation exercises will be held May 26, at 8 p. m. in the school auditorium with the guest speaker, Mr. Thomas J. Gavin, former instructor at Upchurch High School and now employed at Fayetteville State College in Fayetteville.

As we come to another close of the school year, we ask all parents to keep good books around your home for your children to read. Help them to feel the need for learning while they are on their summer vacation.

The adult education class will start here at West Hoke School on May 31 at 7 p. m. Parents who have signed up for the class or who are interested should meet with us on the night of May 31 for enrolling and testing. It will help all who wish to gain more education to meet us at this time.

A recreational program will be at this school during the summer from 4:30 p. m. through 8:30 p. m. for all children who like to play and learn new games. There will be games for all who come.

You are asked to send your children to the new program, Operation Headstart which will be held at this school for pre-school children who will be old enough to go to school during the 1985-1986 school year.

With a degree of thankfulness we are forever grateful to all who have cooperated with our school program during this year and ask that you continue to work with us in the future.

September 2, 1965

**SEGREGATION ENDS**

# Racial Barriers Fall At All Hoke Schools

## Compliance Plan Wins Approval

Previously all-white schools in Hoke County were quietly integrated Monday when about 60 Negroes and Indians desegregated all grades in the county.

They were assigned to the schools on the basis of the county's "freedom of choice" plan to comply with the Civil Rights Act, which yesterday was approved in Washington.

School opened here with virtually no opposition to desegregation. Until this year, only one Negro had ever been admitted to a previously all-white school, largely because none had applied for transfer from Negro schools.

W. T. Gibson Jr., superintendent of schools, said the county's compliance plan was approved by the Department of Health, Education and Welfare after a long wait. It originally was submitted last spring and was rejected by HEW.

The plan, along with those of most other North Carolina school units, was resubmitted in July with minor changes recommended by the Office of Education. Less than half the North Carolina plans have been approved to date in the slow and tedious process of reviewing them individually.

Virtually all the plans are the same, or are based on the freedom of choice policy, and were drawn along lines suggested by federal officials.

Largest contingent of Negro students is at Hoke High School, where 22 are taking classes. Virtually every grade in the previously all-white schools has at least one non-white student, Gibson said.

The integration also includes the assignment of several In-

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dians to previously all-white schools and a few Negroes at Hawk Eye School, previously attended only by Indians.

Meanwhile, if Hoke county schools increase their enrollment next year as much as they did this year there will be more than 5,000 children in school by September 1966.

As of Tuesday, the first full day of school, 4,786 pupils had been registered. Last year at the same time the figure was 4,498.

The largest school in the county is Upchurch which registered 1,219 students Monday.

Last year at the same time, the count was 1,159.

The county as of Tuesday for other schools was: Hoke High 516; Hawk Eye 560; J. W. McLauchlin 628; Raeford Elementary 651; Scurlock 474; West Hoke 448; Burlington 304.

In comparison last year's first day figure was, Hoke High 450; Hawk Eye 407; J. W. McLauchlin 666; Raeford Elementary 615; Scurlock 464; West Hoke 433 and Burlington 304.

Two additional teachers were hired for Hoke High last week. They are Margaret Young and Flora Owens.



FIRST GRADES -- Joel Glover, a first grader at J. W. McLauchlin, shows his teacher, Mrs. Neil Senter, how well he learned to write in Head Start classes this summer. The other youngsters, also Head Starters, are, left to right, Marvin Stephens, Carol Sue Barton and Mary Lynn Butler.

IMMEDIATELY AFTER WE LEFT HIGH SCHOOL

September 16, 1965



**HONORED --** An inaugural certificate has been awarded to Sp4 Carl Hollingsworth of Raeford who was among the servicemen selected to participate in the inauguration of President Lyndon B. Johnson in January. Hollingsworth is a son of Mrs. Carl Hollingsworth and the late Carl Hollingsworth.

August 13, 1964

## The New Guard

The National Guard's new method of training seems, on the surface, to be part of the answer to how to keep our citizen-soldiers ready for a national emergency.

Instead of drilling once a week on Monday night, Guardsmen will now train one week end every month, spending from Saturday afternoon to Sunday afternoon in the field. This amounts to being a soldier one day a month and a civilian the other twenty-nine.

It stands to reason that a great deal more can be accomplished when the troops are banded together for 26 consecutive hours. Under the old system of two-hour drills each week, the Guardsman's training was limited to that which could be accomplished in the classroom and the armory. He studied in theory what he now can practice in the field, because under the new system he will bring into being all the military functions, which heretofore he practiced for the most part largely on paper.

Skull practice in military tactics, as in football, is a valuable asset in getting the job done, but there is no substitute for scrimmage, which is about what the week end assemblies will amount to. Moreover, the new scheme does not obligate the Guardsman for 52 training sessions a year, but only for 12.

All in all, the new method should

add greatly to the efficiency of the Guard and should make the organization more attractive to prospective recruits. For the youngster who wishes to avoid two years of active duty, it offers an opportunity to discharge one's military obligation without having to drill every Monday night. For the veteran and the "old hand" it offers a practical and profitable avocation for those who for one reason or another wish to preserve their status as soldiers.

A number of the Upchurch High School Class of 1965 men enlisted in the North Carolina Army National Guard in July 1964. Thus, we enlisted in "The New Guard".



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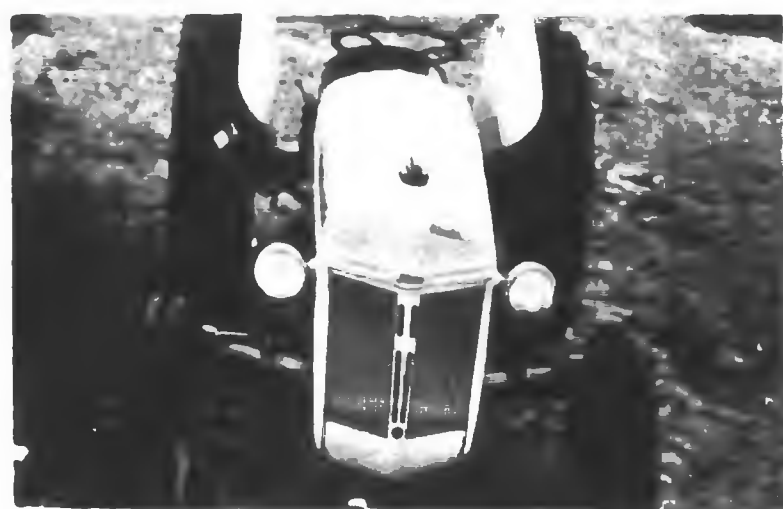
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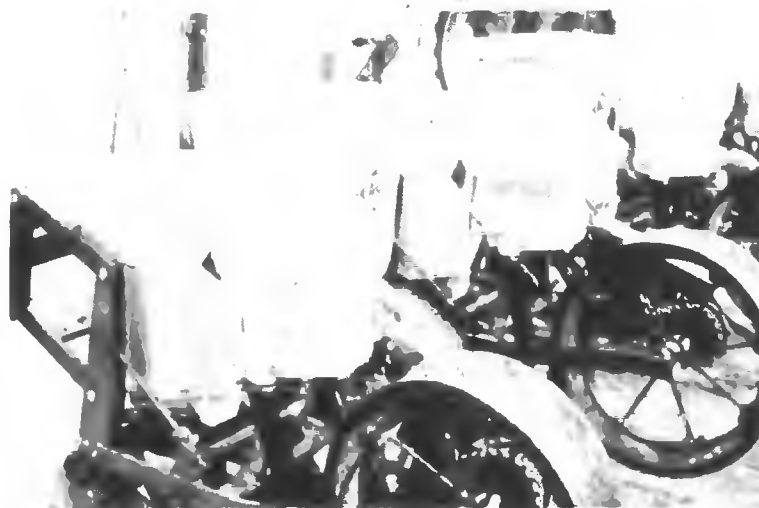
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December 20, 1962

## Undefeated Birds Take 4th In Row

The Upchurch Eagles posted their fourth straight win Monday night, beating Hayswood at Lumberton 83-51. Friday night, they whipped Shawtown at Lillington 61-51. The Eaglettes won their second and third straight, lashing Lillington 27-9 and routing Lumberton 51-13.

At Lillington, Mary Thomas scored all the points needed for the Eaglettes to down their hapless hosts. She bucketed 17 while Marilyn Murchison assisted with 6 in the one-sided match.

In the boys contest, Upchurch controlled the opening tip and very quickly scored 2 points, but the Lillington crew registered a counter score just as quickly and midway through the first quarter had an edge over the Upchurch cagers. The pace

slowed down considerably, however, and when the period ended the Eagles held a slim 12-9 lead. In the second stanza the Birds outscored their opponents 18-13 to gain a 30-22 halftime margin, and widened the gap to 48-34 by the end of the third frame. With some of the regulars getting a rest, the Raeford boys were outscored 17-15 in the final period but the 12-point spread was enough to insure their third straight victory. Rufus Singletary, a lanky six footer, dumped in 19 points for game high honors. William McRae had 15 and James Gay 13. Harrington scored 17 for the losers.

The Upchurch lassies had an easy time with their Lumber-

ton hosts. Again, it was Mary Thomas who led the way. The talented junior pitched in 28 points as the Upchurch sextet upended their lackluster opponents.

In the boys scrape, the setting was different. The Eagles experienced fierce competition from a 2-A team that had posted a 4-0 record. Coach Willson McDowell, lacking bench strength had to use his starters all the way to overcome the tough Lumberton crew. The Hayswood quintet exhibited a threatening offense throughout, and the strong defensive play of the Eagles appeared to be an important factor in their win.

Overcoming an early game deficit, the Birds eked out a 15-12 first quarter edge, stretched it to 31-20 by half time, and played their hosts on even terms through the second half

to capture their fourth win in four games. Leading point maker was McRae, 6-2, 200-pound sophomore center, who canned 22. Blue, Gay and Rufus Singletary had 13, 12, and 10 respectively. The losers had three players to score in double digits.

The game was much closer than the final score indicates, and although it is too early to say, it appears that McDowell may have another good team this season despite the loss of four regulars from last year's team whose combined scoring average was better than 50 points per game.

--W. T. McALLISTER

## WHEN WE WERE IN HIGH SCHOOL

December 13, 1962

### **UPCHURCH XMAS**

The annual Christmas candle-light service will be held this year at Upchurch High School this Sunday at 5 p.m. Featured will be the school's outstanding band and choral club.



May 20, 1965

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## We're Integrated Now

For all practical purposes, Hoke County schools will be thoroughly integrated next fall. That is, all schools that were theretofore non-Negro.

A total of 60 Negroes have applied for admission to the county's three previously all-white schools and another six have asked for assignment to Hawk Eye School for Indians. At the same time, three Indians have applied for admission to white schools, one to each school.

Until last fall, the county maintained separate schools for the white, Negro and Indian races, despite the Supreme Court's 1954 ruling that segregation of public schools was unconstitutional. Then, in the fall of 1964, a Negro first grader was admitted to J. W. McLaughlin School in Raeford and a white child was permitted to attend Hawk Eye, the Indian school.

Hoke County Board of Education is expected to meet later this week to act upon the requests -- indeed,

to assign all Hoke students to the schools they will attend next fall. The board can be expected to assign the non-white students to the schools of their choice, since that is precisely what it proposed to do in its recently-approved plan to comply with the Civil Rights Act of 1964. Any other action would result in all students in the county being assigned to the schools nearest their homes -- and that would be the only basis upon which assignment could be made. That being a highly impractical alternative, the board has no choice but to assign

the 69 students to the schools they have indicated they wish to attend.

So, for good or for bad, the thing most dreaded by the average white Southerner, including the moderates, has come to Hoke County. For sociological and other reasons, the impending integration of our schools has struck fear into our hearts. That fear all too often has caused us to act irrationally -- and to react violently and with hatred when the Negro demanded this and other rights to which, under the constitution, he was entitled.

We cannot believe that the integration of our schools will bring an end to public school education, or that it will even lessen appreciably the quality of education in North Carolina. We have enough faith in the white and Negro races to believe both will try to make public school integration work. And it will work only if we are determined that we shall not sacrifice our children on the altar of ignorance for the sake preserving a questionable superiority.

It is not only the Negro, after all, who stands to gain by the improvement of his lot. Nothing could possibly mean more to the white South, economically, than the elevation of the Negro to so-called middle class respectability, and this can be gained only through education. The logical place to start, therefore, is in the public schools, and if we will but stop to measure the great good which can come from desegregation, we might think less of our grievances of the moment.

## WHEN WE WERE IN HIGH SCHOOL

January 17, 1963



**MEN, TOO** --Even though Upchurch Milling Company has the latest in electronic automation, it still takes men to make the machines work. Here are some of the local feed mill's employees at the group's annual Christmas party. Talk to them about automation, and they'll tell

you it's still plenty of hard work. Agriculture Commissioner L. Y., (Stag) Ballentine will be in Raeford Friday for the "formal opening" of the feed mill's new equipment.



## WHEN WE WERE IN HIGH SCHOOL

May 23, 1963

### **94 Teachers Participate In Training**

During the past two years Hoke County teachers have taken advantage of the In-Service Education Program approved by the State Legislature for the 1961-63 biennium.

Last year 50 Hoke County teachers participated in one of the courses sponsored by Fayetteville State Teachers College and A & T College of Greensboro. These teachers represented the school staffs of Upchurch, Scurlock, West Hoke and Burlington Schools.

This current year the Negro teachers participated in a course sponsored by Fayetteville State Teachers College.

The faculty at Hawk Eye completed a course at Pembroke College. In a course taught at St. Andrews College in Lenoirburg one staff member from Hoke High and McLauchlin and two staff members from Raeford Elementary participated.

The courses offered have been: 1. Federal Government 2. General Science 3. Functional Grammar 4. Contemporary world History.

These courses have been free with the exception of the cost of the textbook. The purpose of the training is to bring teachers up to date in subject matter. Courses dealing with "methods of teaching" are not acceptable under the program. To this date a total of ninety four Hoke County teachers have participated.