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FOUNDED: March 7, 1887  
NICKNAME: Wolfpack  
POPULATION: 28,619 students  
COLORS: Red and White

#### ALMA MATER:

Where the winds of Dixie softly blow  
o'er the fields of Caroline,  
There stands ever cherished, N.C. State,  
as thy honored shrine  
So lift your voices! Loudly sing  
from hill to oceanside!  
Our hearts ever hold you, N.C. State  
in the folds of our love and pride.

#### FIGHT SONG:

Shout aloud to the men who will play the game to win  
We're behind you, keep fighting for State—  
Hold that line, hold 'em fast,  
We'll reach victory at last  
We're behind you, keep fighting for State—  
Rise up to the fray and let your colors wave,  
Shout out for dear old N.C. State;  
And where-e'er we go,  
we'll let the whole world know,  
We're behind you, keep fighting for State.

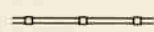
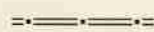


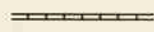









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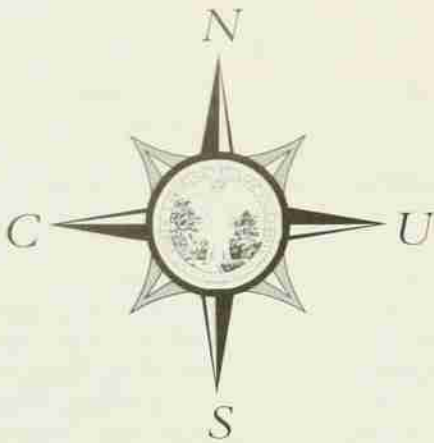
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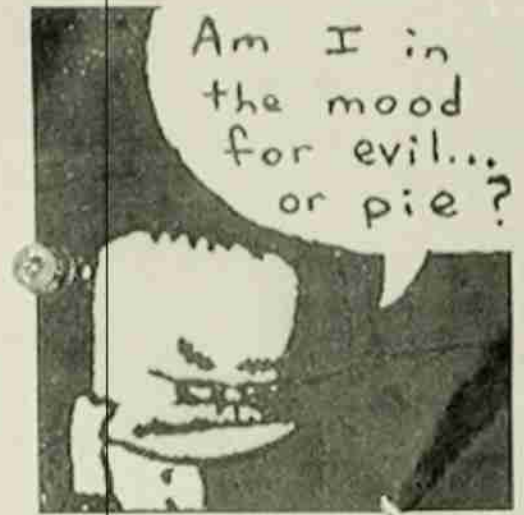
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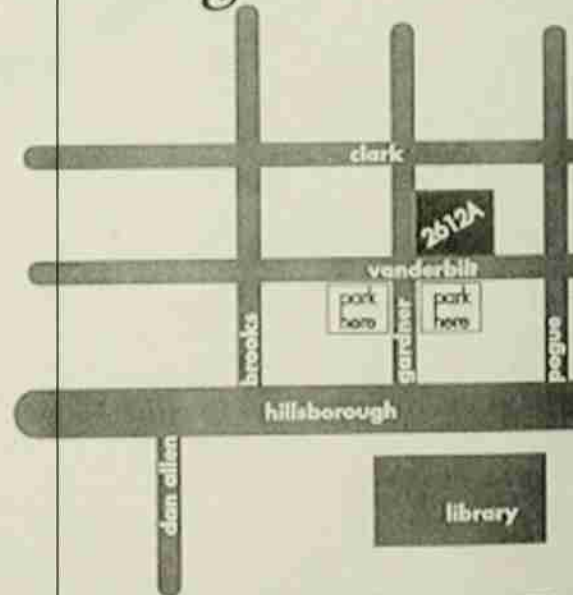


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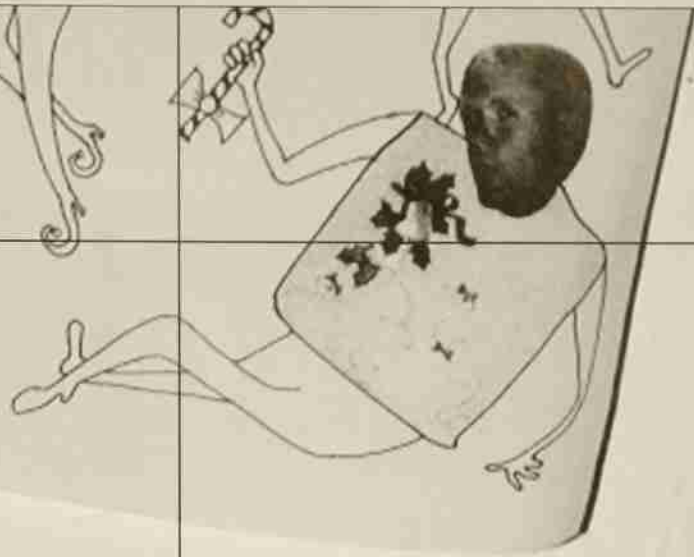
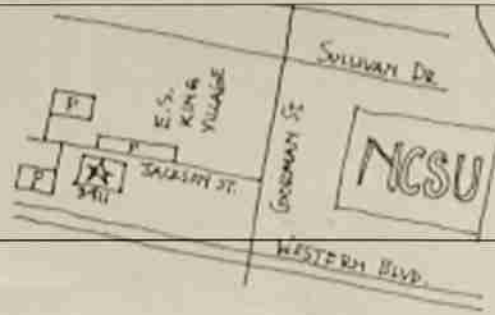


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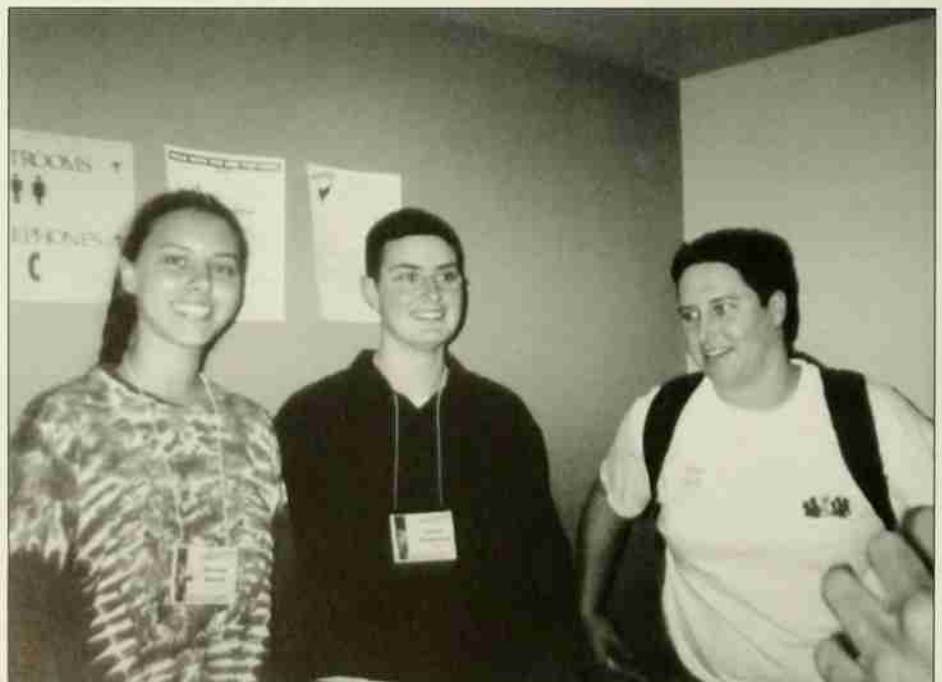
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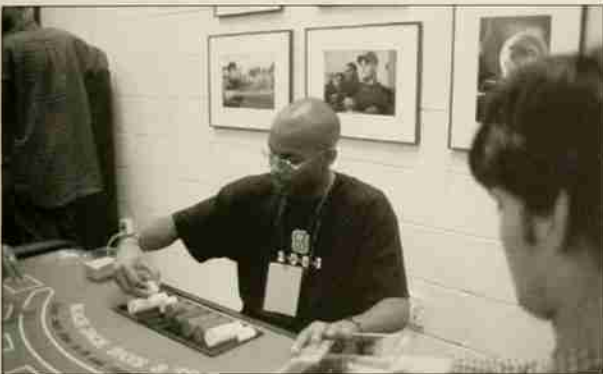
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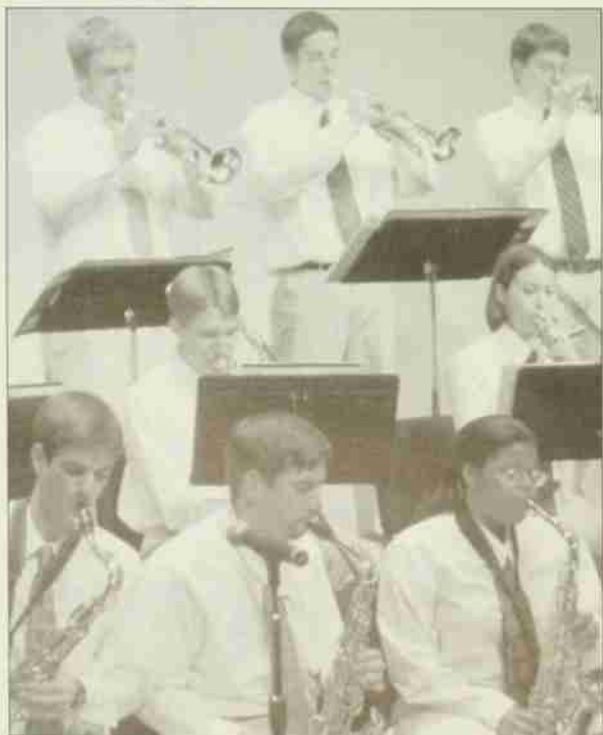


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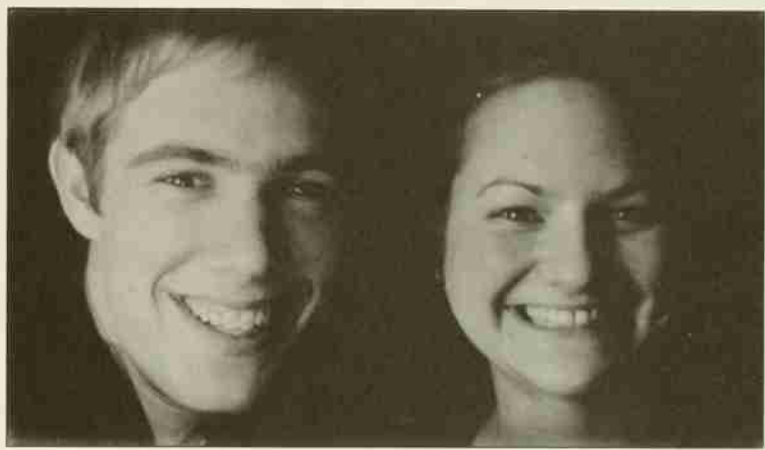


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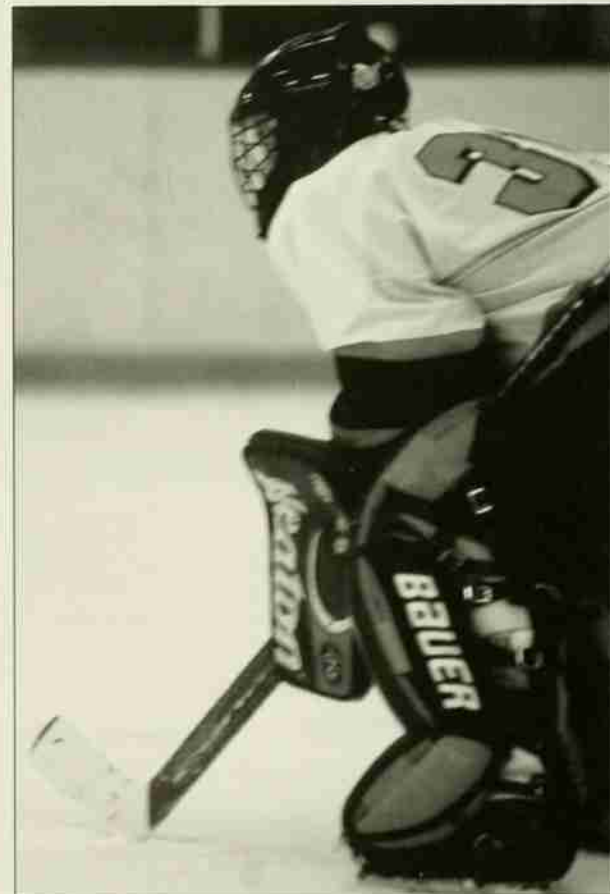


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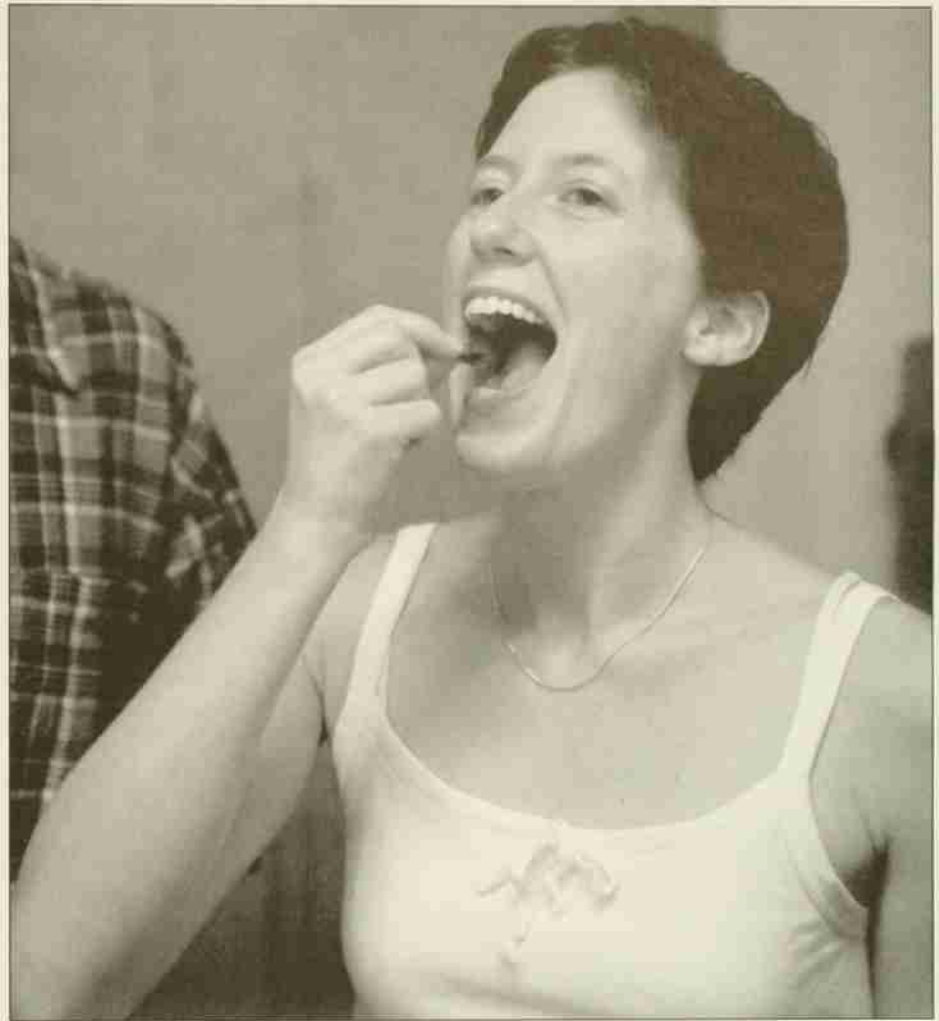
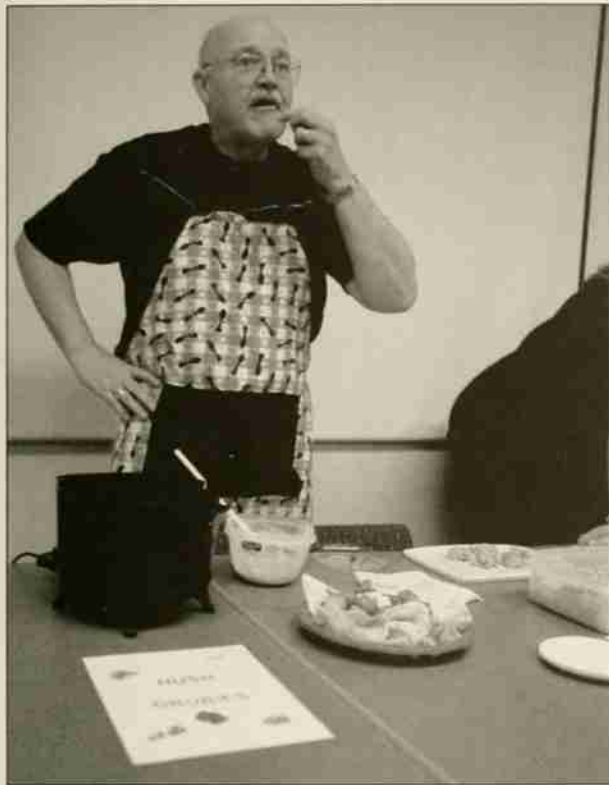




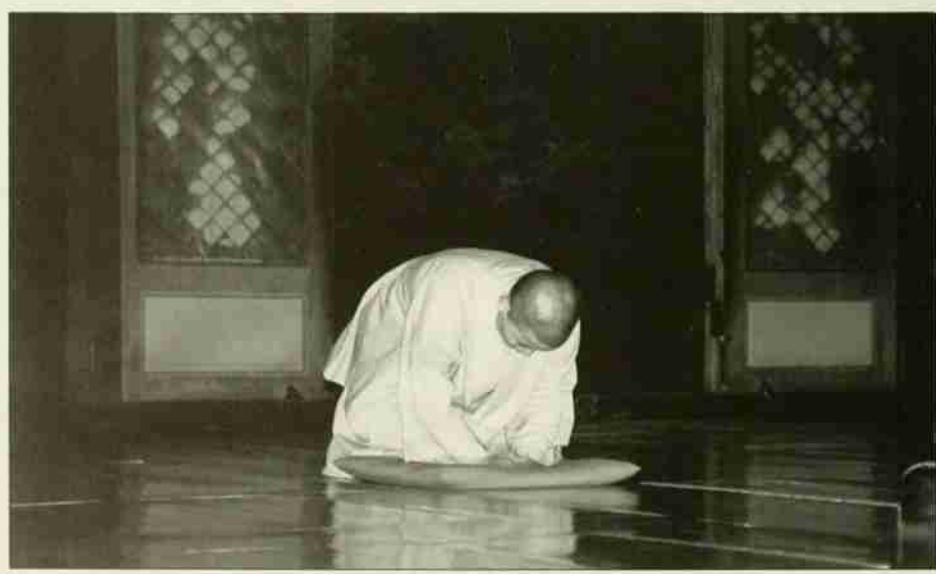
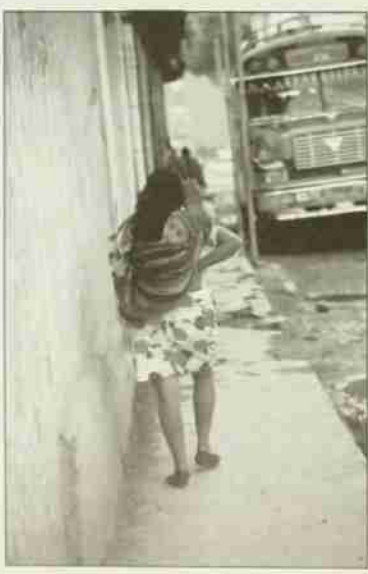
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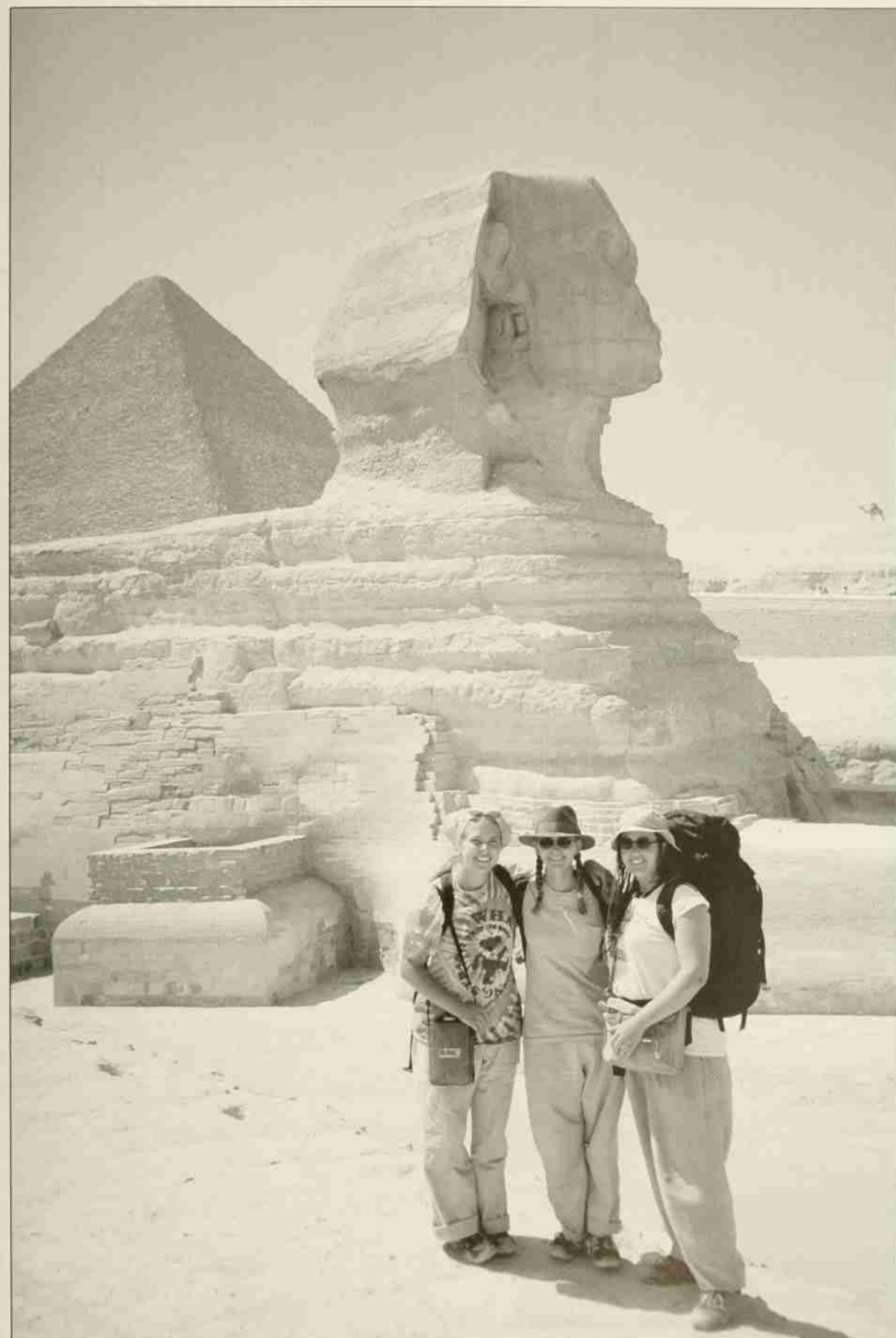


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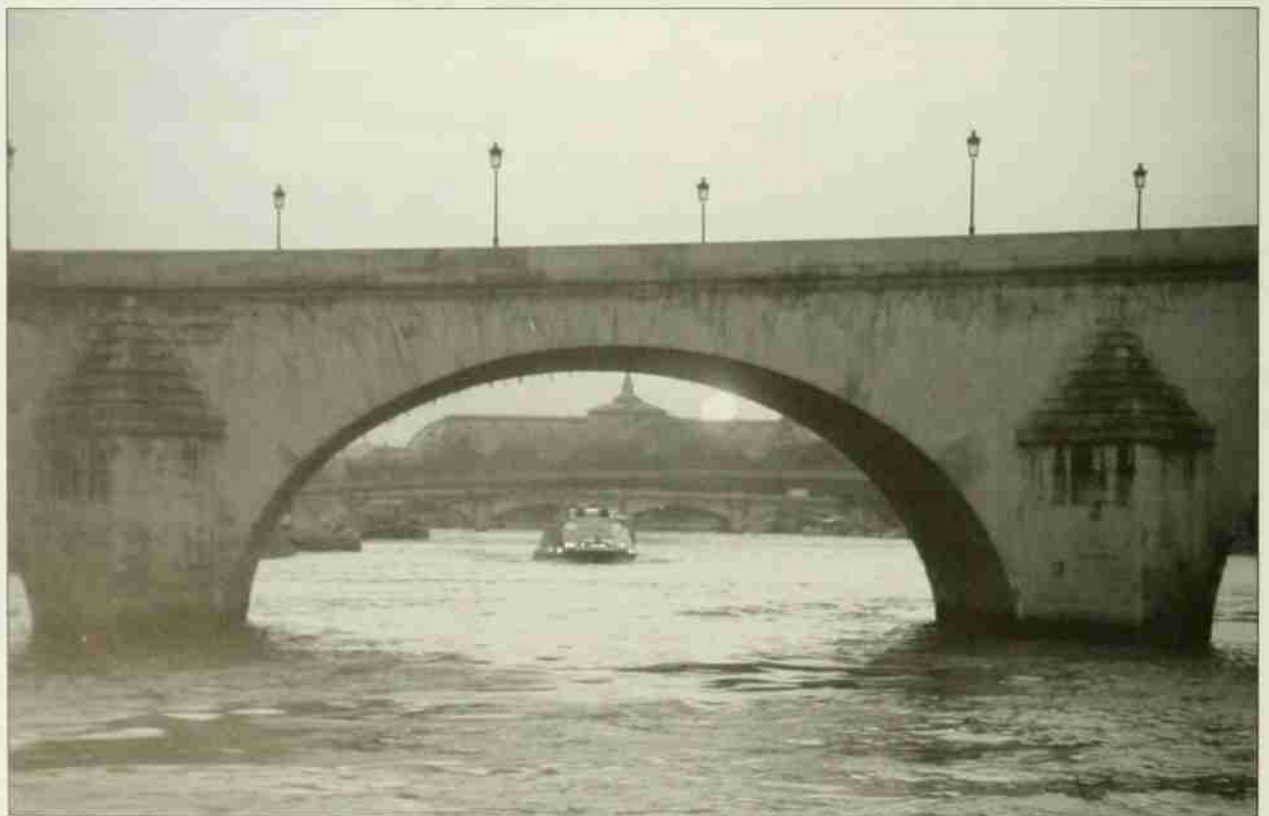
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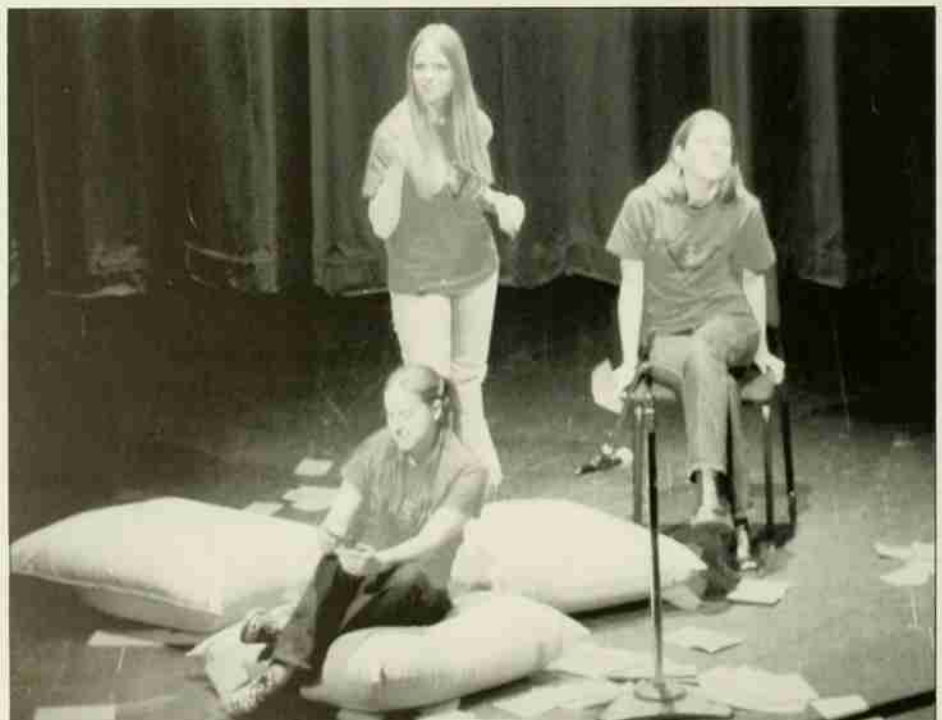
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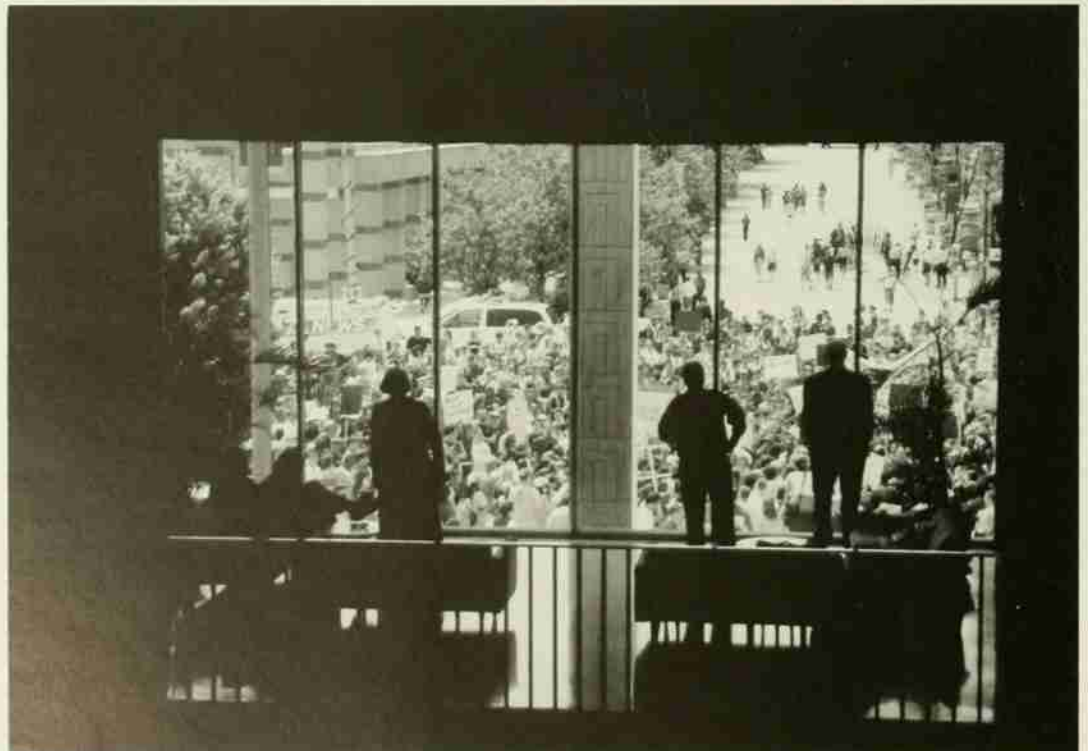
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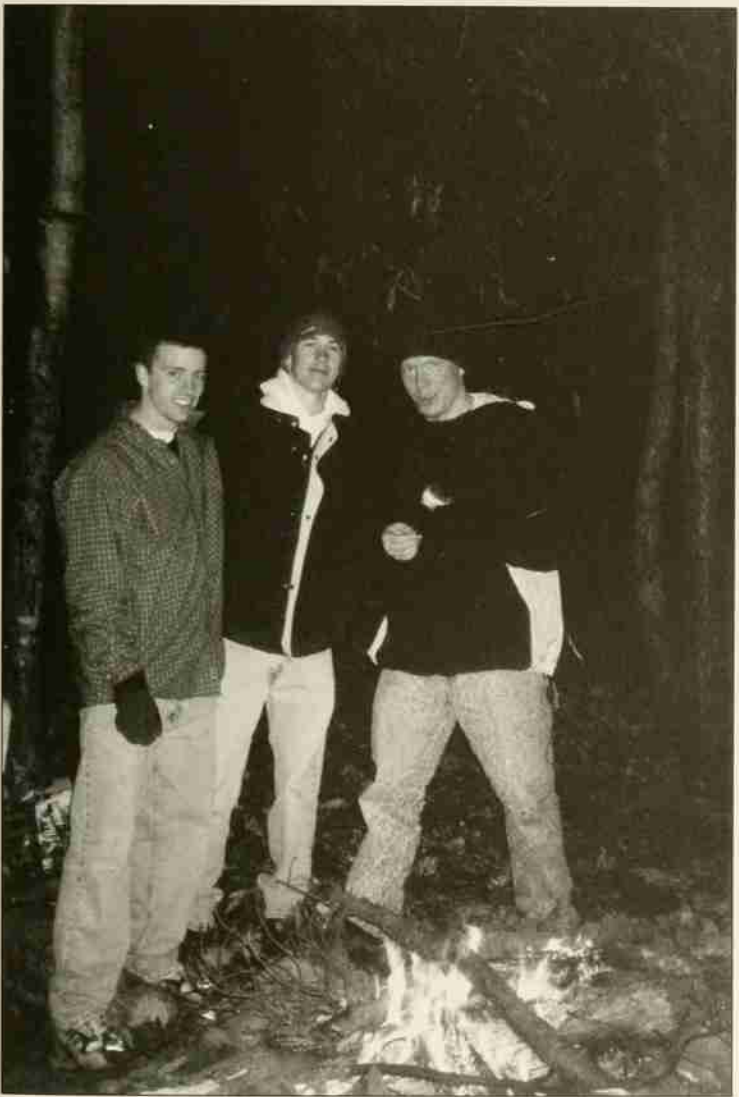


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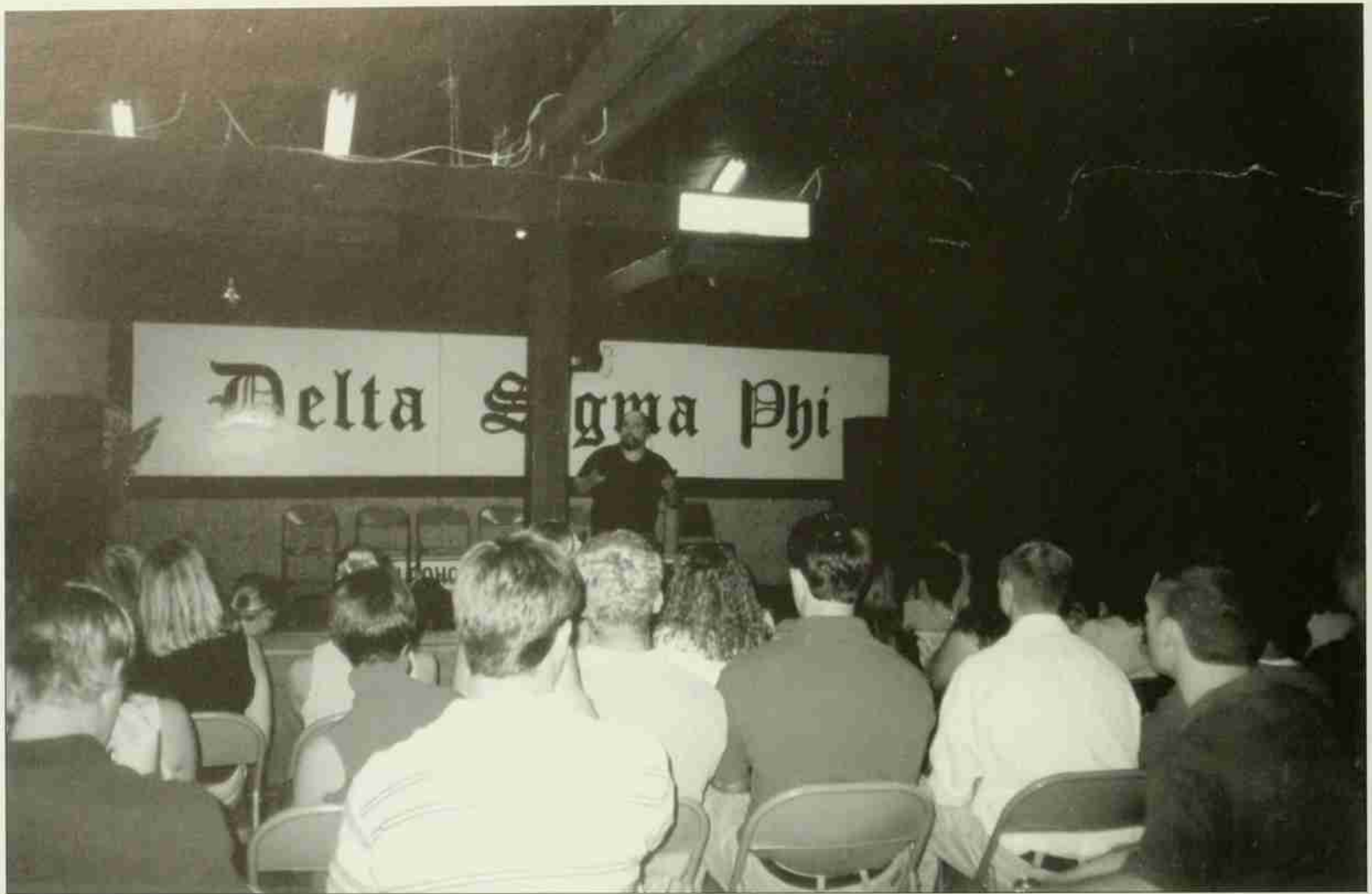
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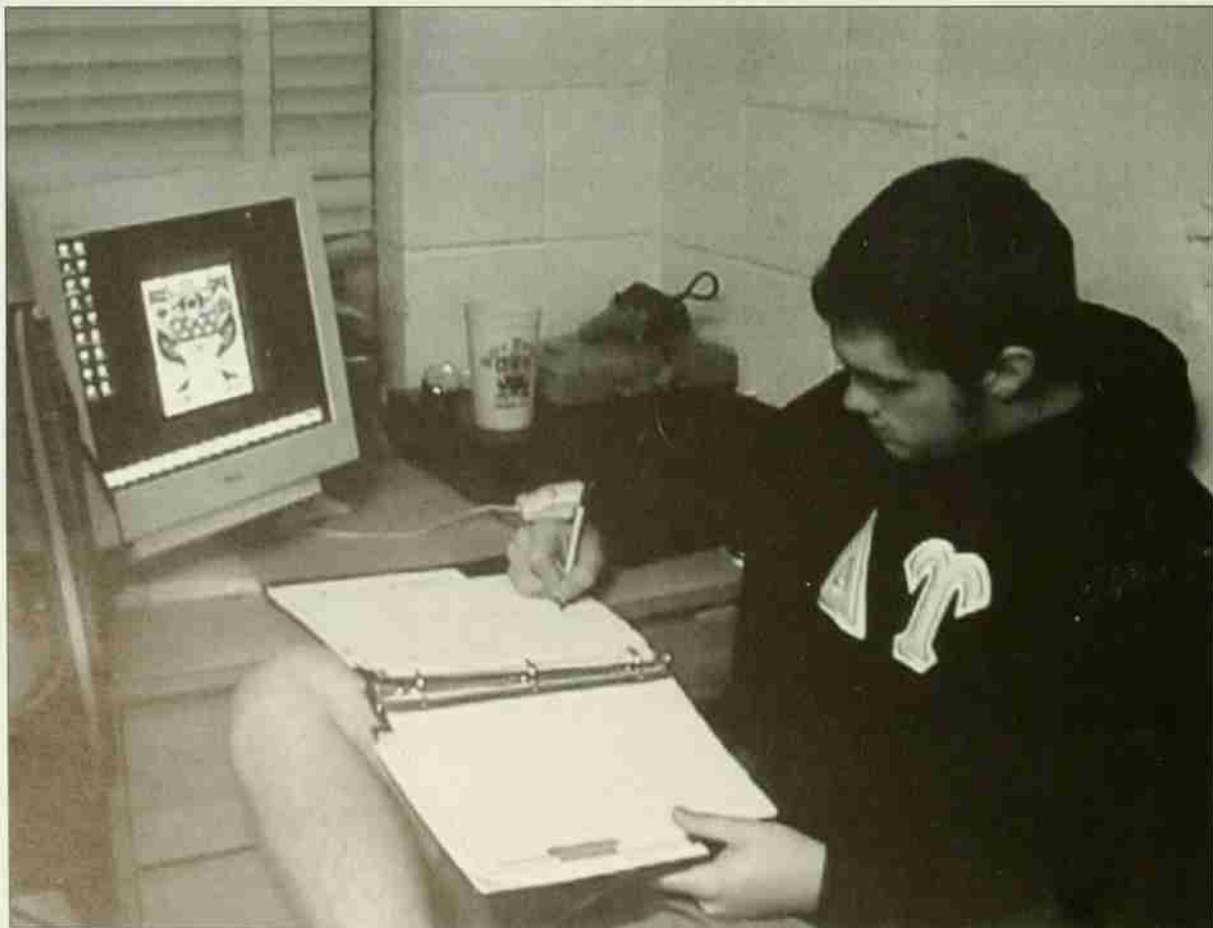
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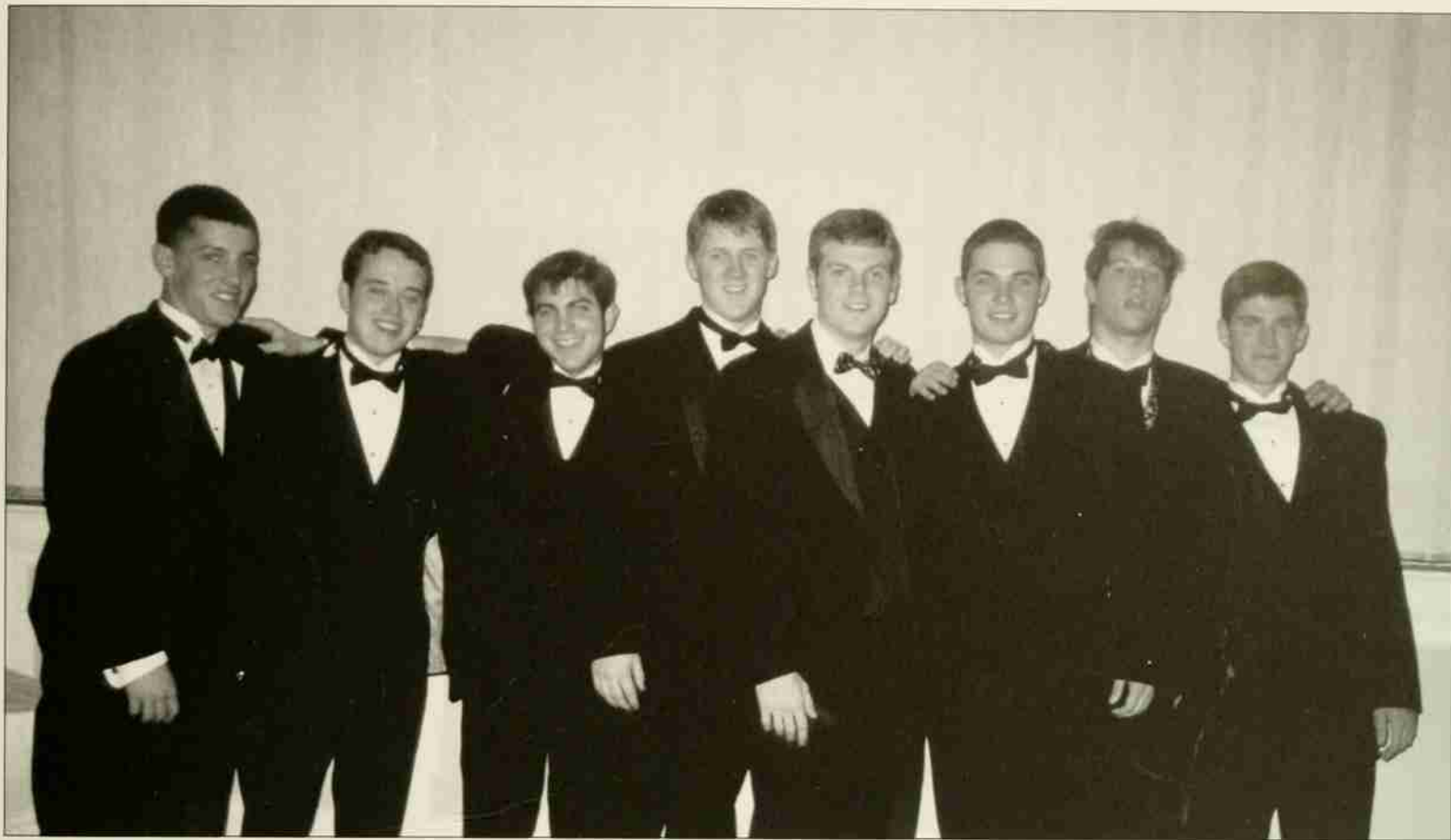






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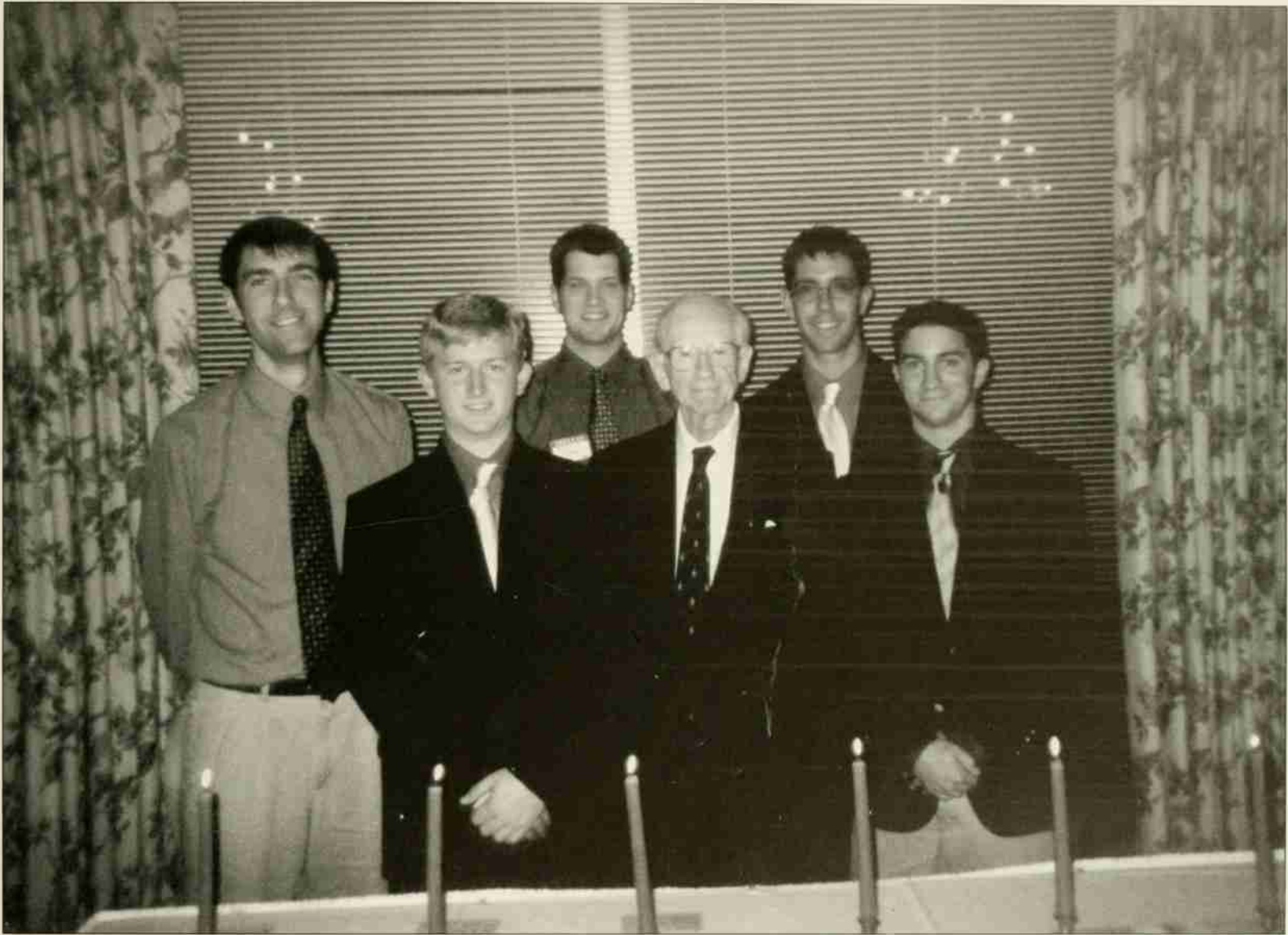


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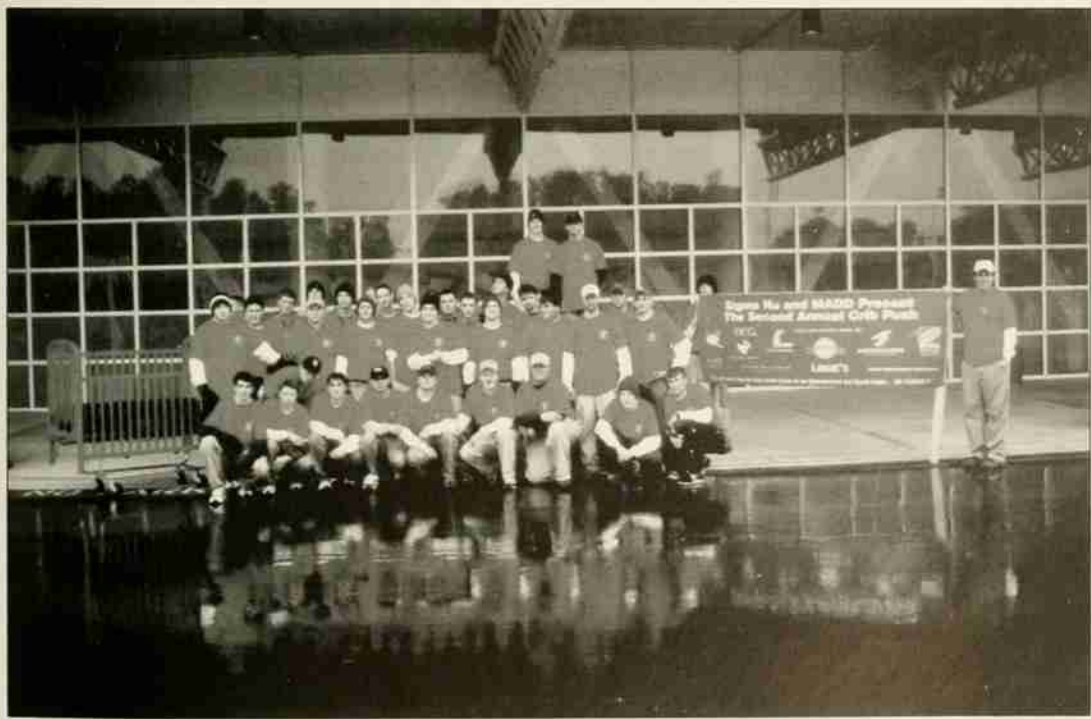


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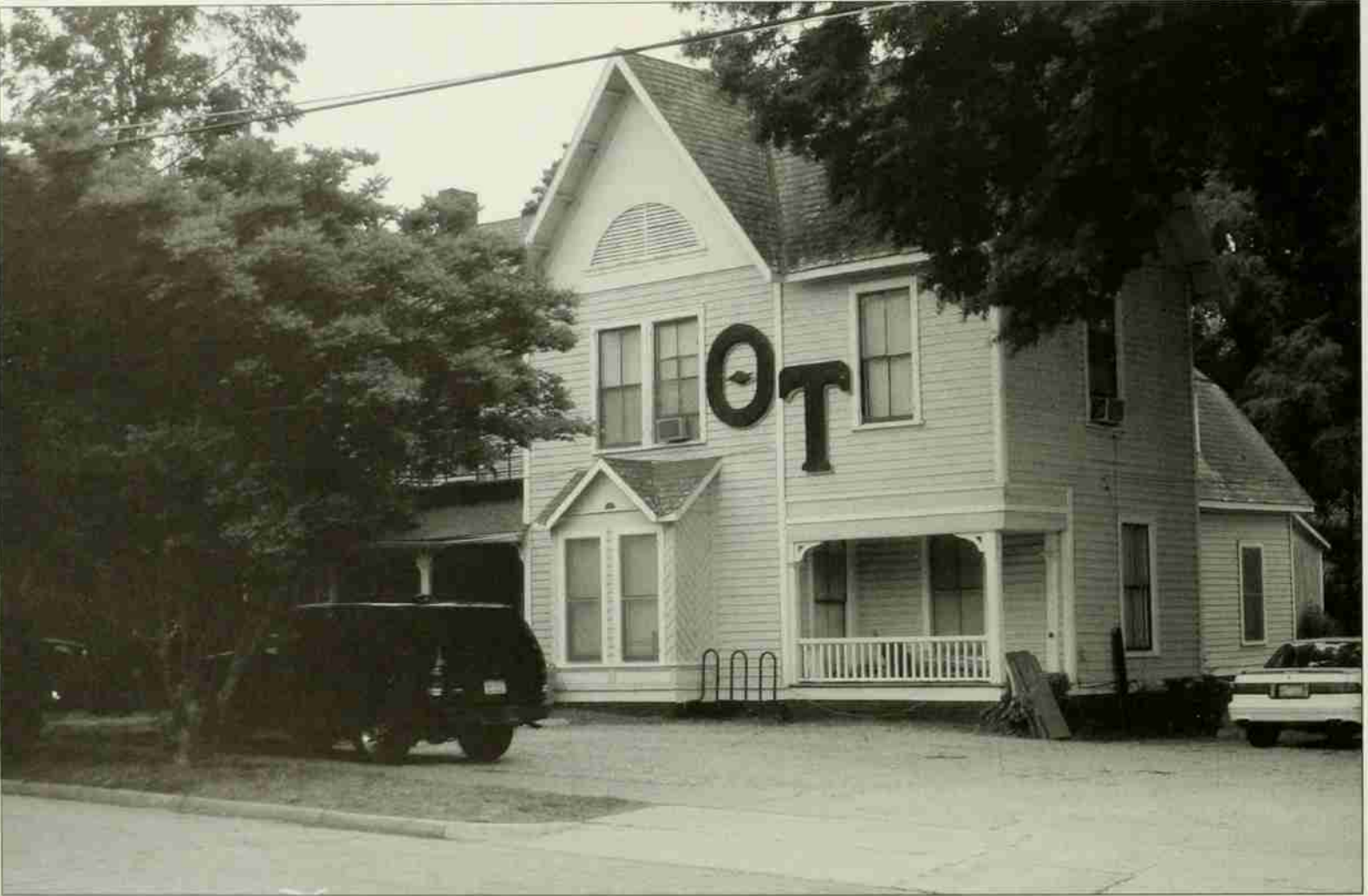


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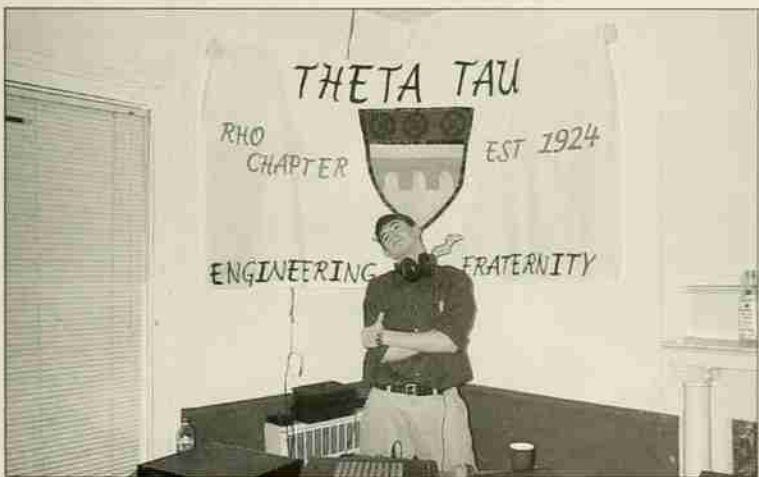




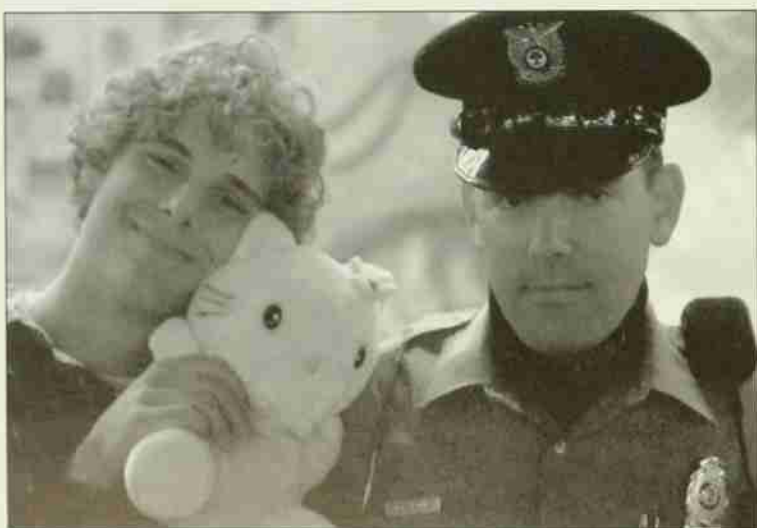
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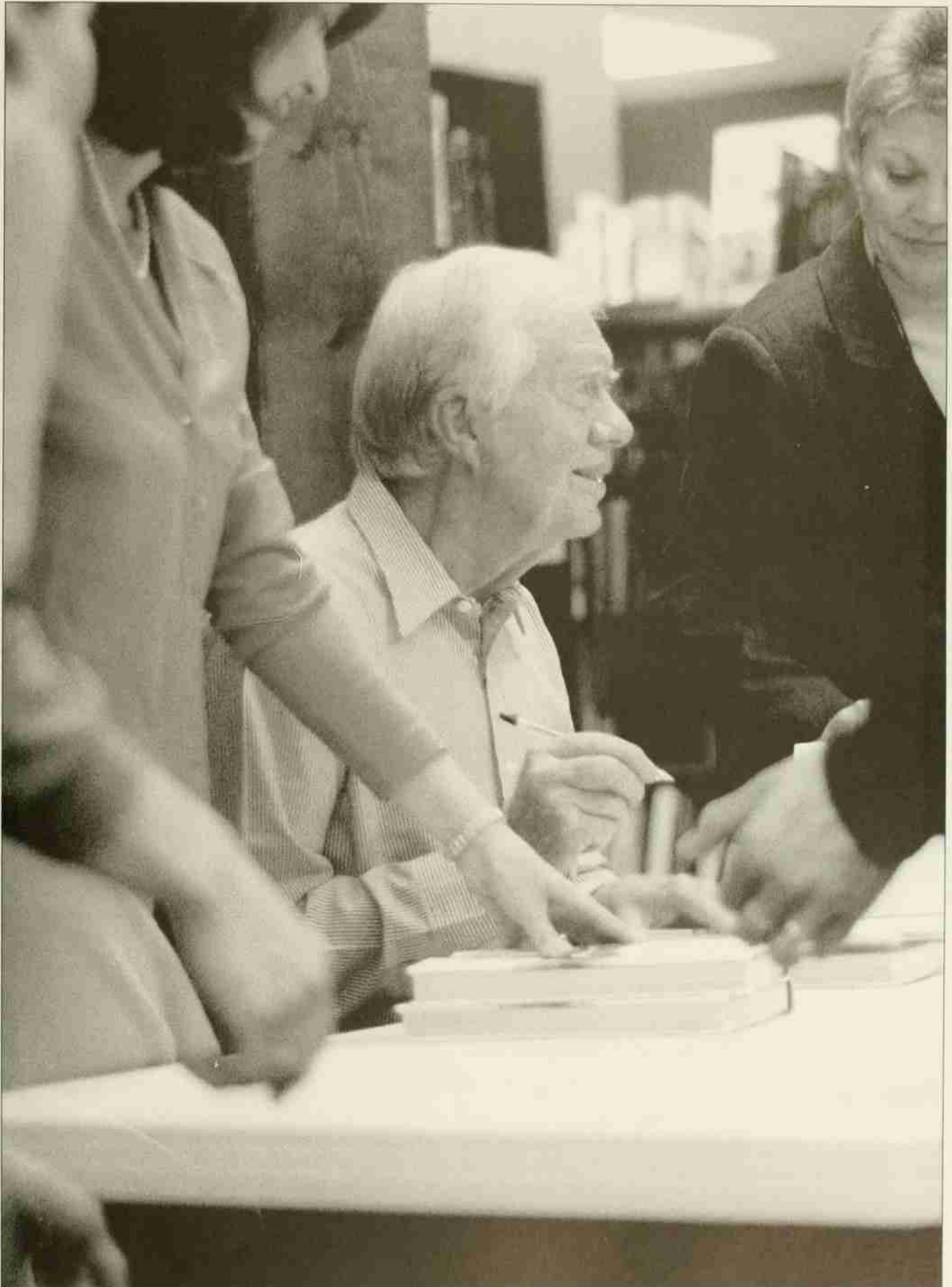




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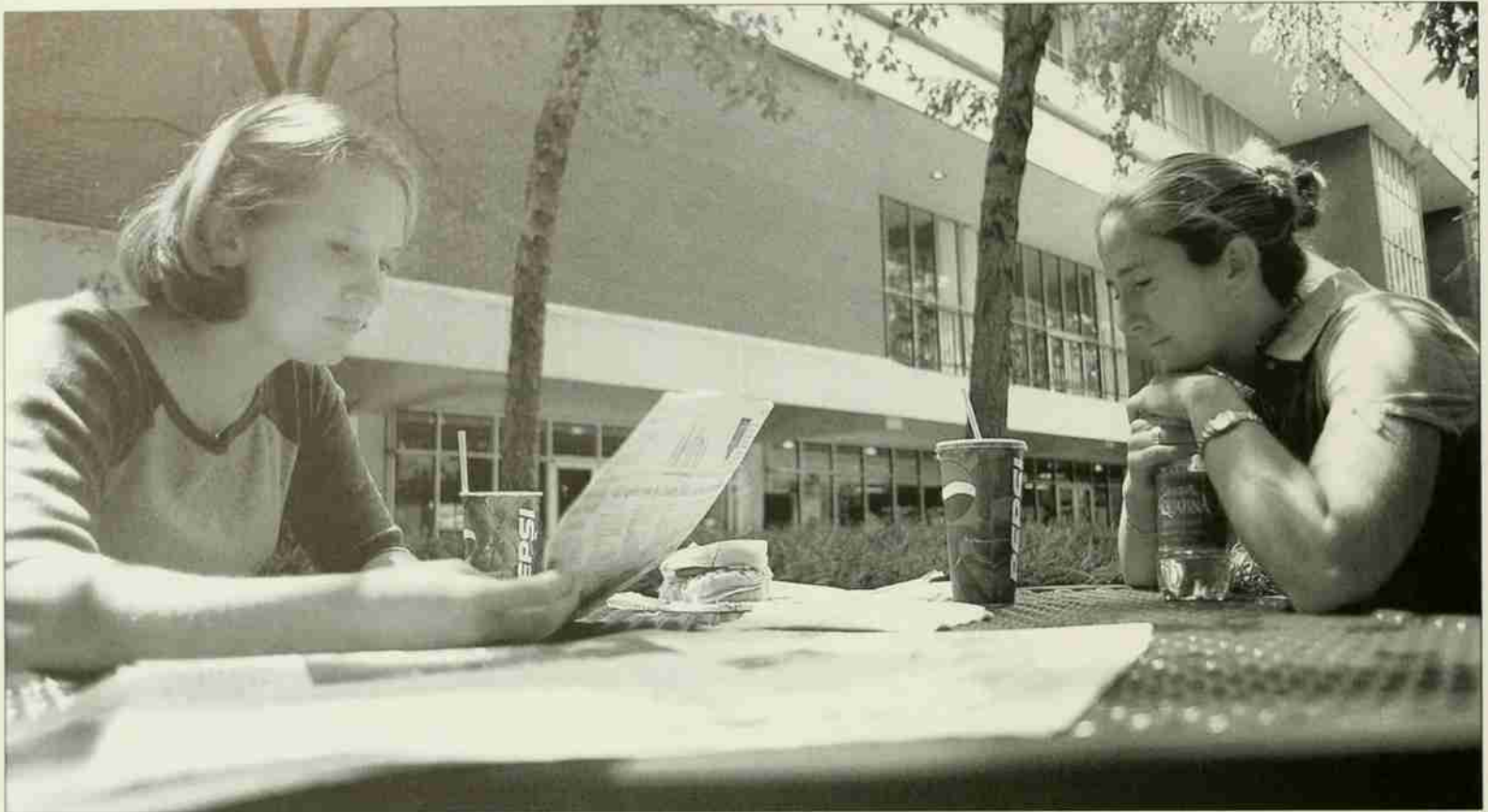


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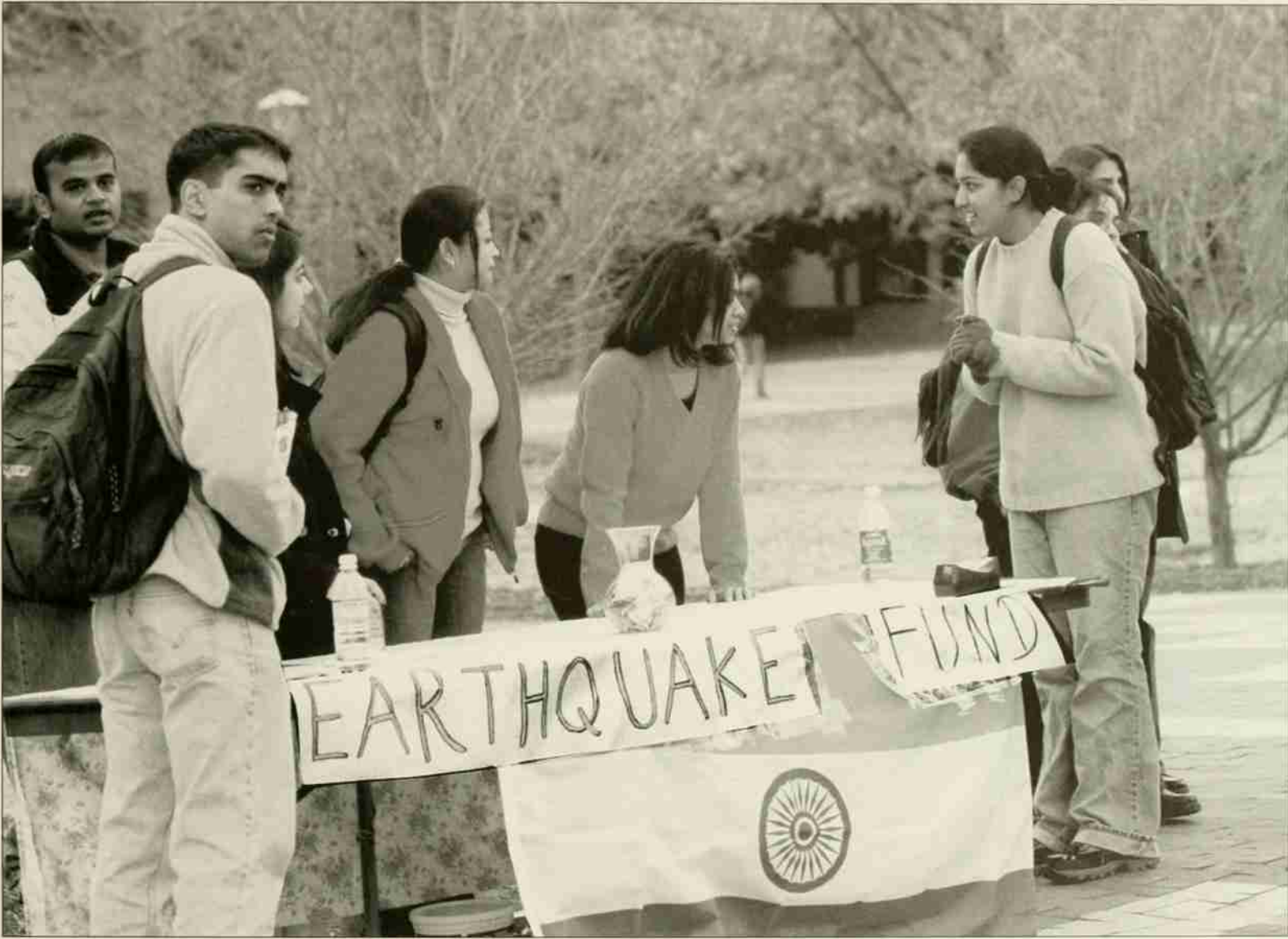


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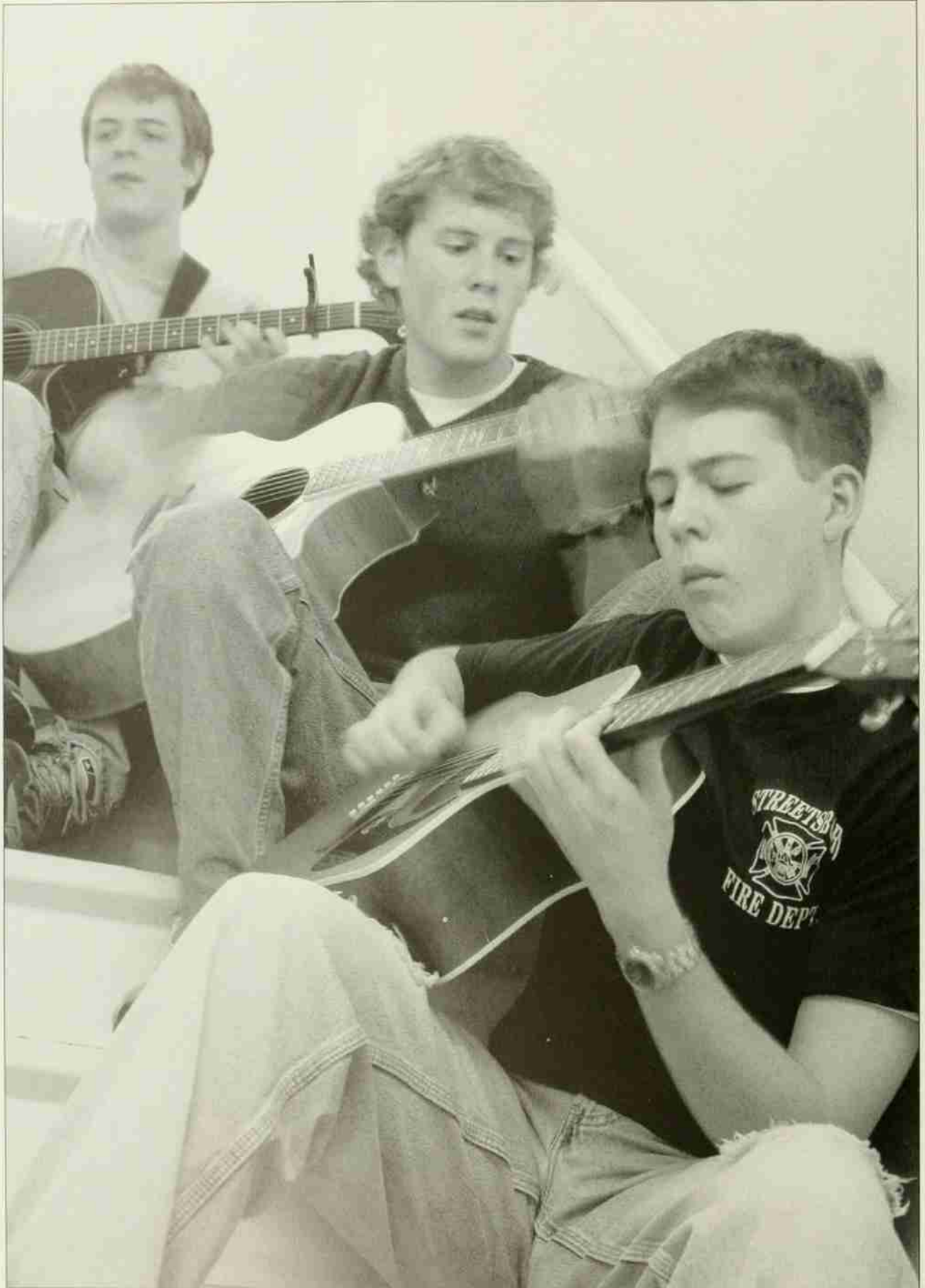




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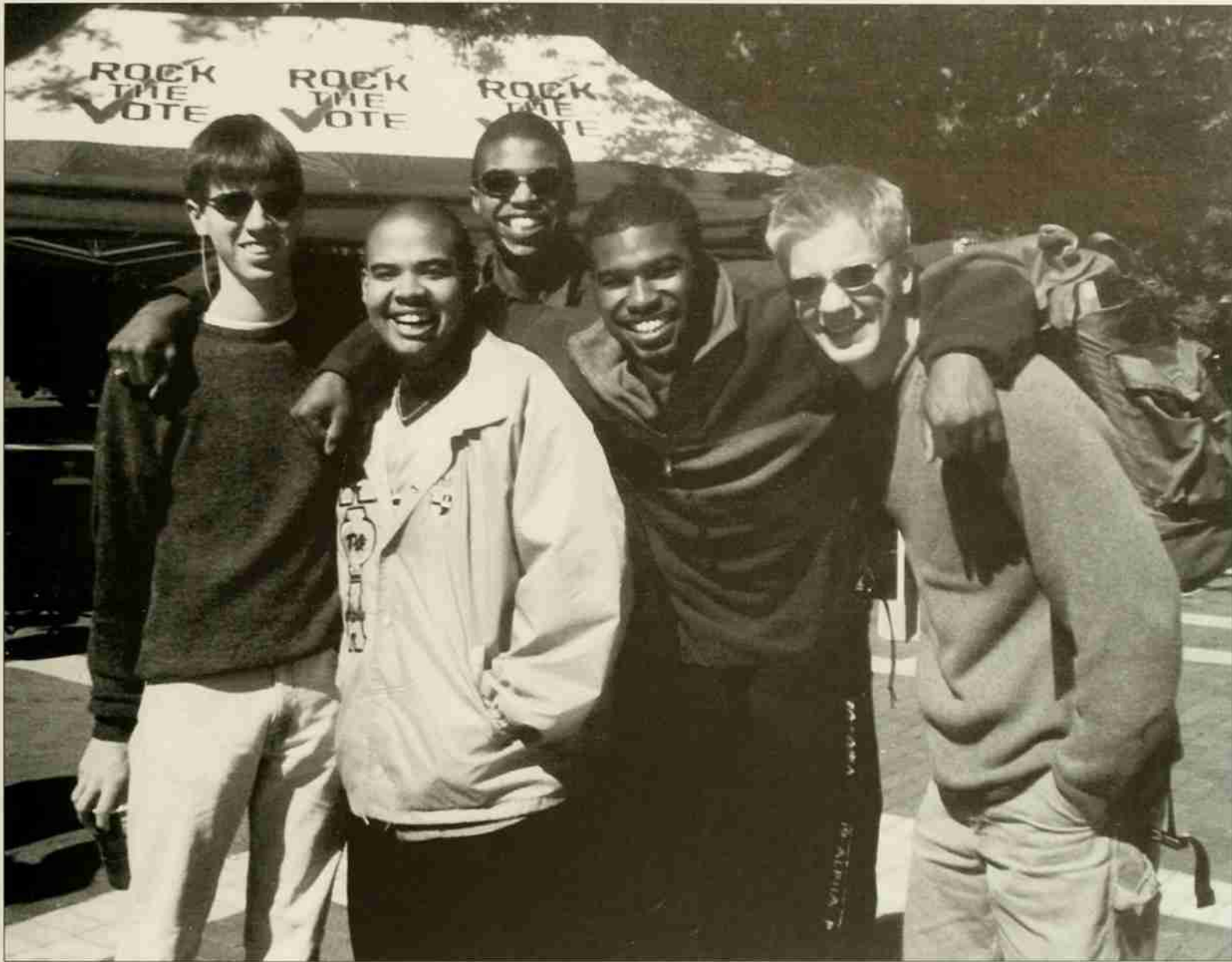








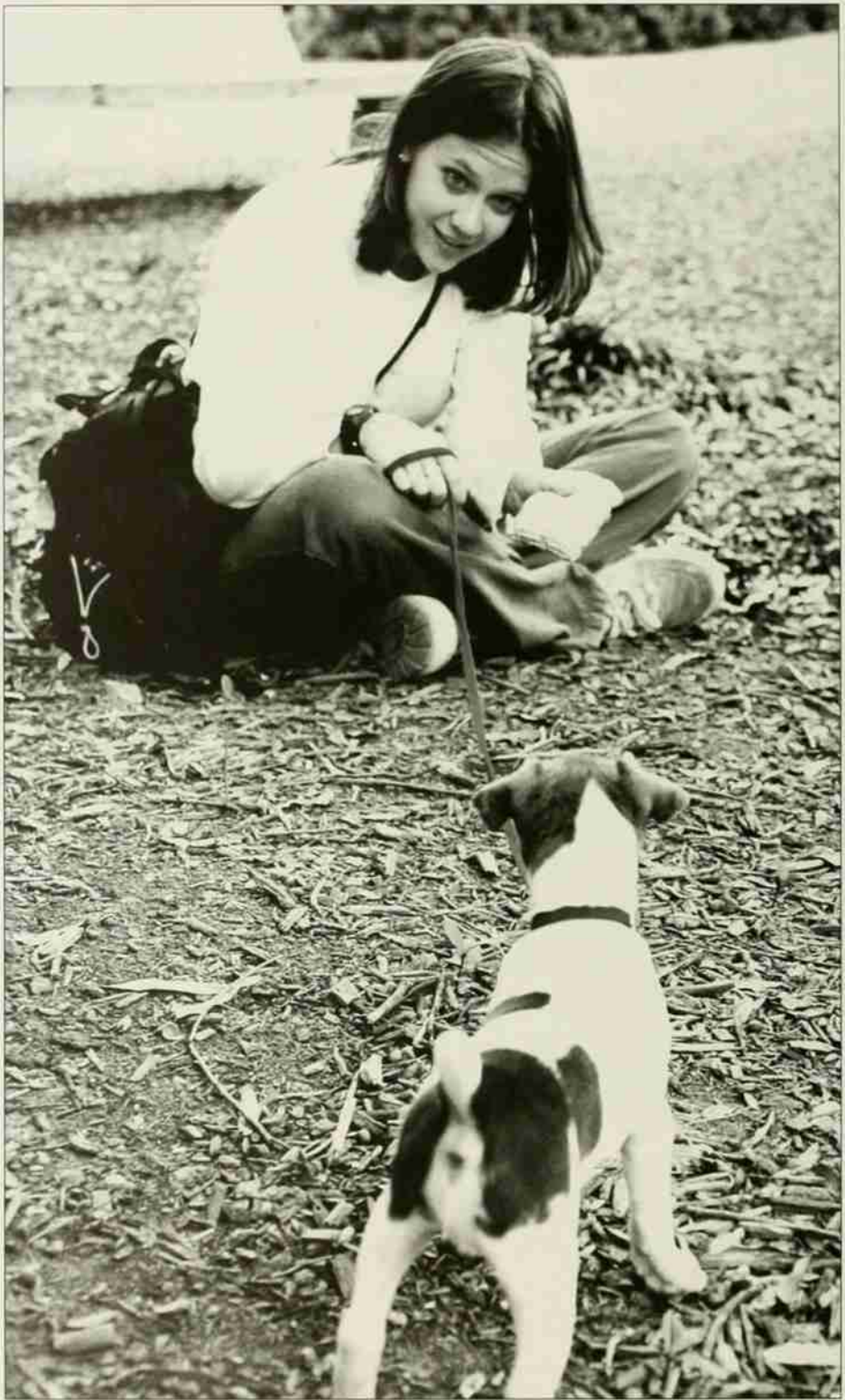
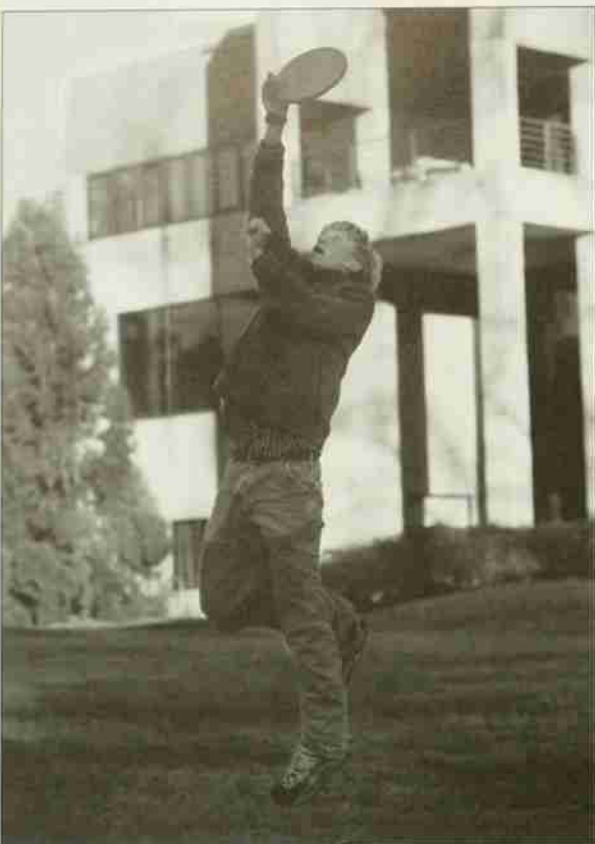
STUDENT GOVERNMENT







# FUN OUTDOORS







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SNOW DAY!







# ACC CHAMPION PEP BAND B-BALL TEAM







**N**orth Carolina has a taste of everything. It's one of the few states in the nation where vastly different living experiences huddle together under the same umbrella, home to mountain folk and beach bums, city-ites and rural dwellers. It's a state known for the diversity of its topography and people as well.

The freshman year is fraught with changes. For some, it's the first time away from home, the first foray into a large city, or the first taste of Southern culture. For many North Carolinians, it marks the first real introduction to the state they call home. Forget fourth-grade history lessons or field trips to the State Capitol; many students learn far more about North Carolina by meeting people from all its different areas. Road trips home with friends, spontaneous drives to the beach or mountains, even late night talks about "where I'm from" give North Carolina a human face.

College is a time of learning, but not all of its lessons come from classrooms or texts. Our years at NC State are rich with new experiences — new people, new attitudes and a new environment change us and help shape who we become. On campus, away from home, we see our origins in a new light.

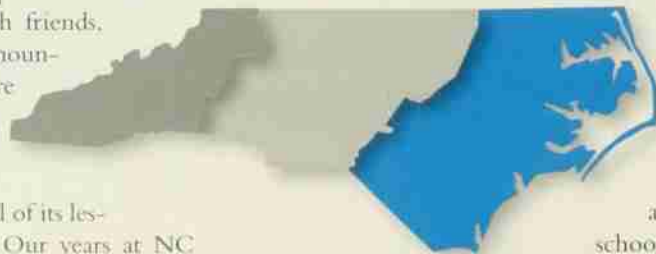
"The population of NC State is bigger than my county's!"

The majority of North Carolina's counties are small and sparsely populated. A drive through the state will inevitably lead past fields of rolling green or low hills planted with tobacco, cotton and soybeans. Dilapidated farms dot the countryside, and whether you're headed toward the coast or the hills, in certain seasons you can always find a produce stand. For students from these counties, NC State presents a different sort of land-

scape — less green, more brick. And often, a lot more people.

"The population of NC State is larger than my county's," says Mark Voelker, a junior in computer science and computer engineering who hails from Mitchell County. "We're what you might describe as 'Southern Appalachia.' I'm from a real small mountain town, like what you see in the tourist brochures."

Mitchell County has one high school, as do the counties that border it. "You can walk around NC State and see people you know, but you won't know everyone," says Voelker. "I think I knew every single person in my high school."



Angela Barton, from neighboring Yancey County, had similar experiences. "There were more people in Sullivan Hall than in my high school," says the senior in microbiology. "There are so many little differences — mainly in opportunities and access. We had one computer in the whole high school with Internet. I didn't learn how to e-mail until I got to college."

"Here," she adds, "there are so many people, and so many places to go."

"There's not really a lot to do in Mitchell," Voelker agrees. "No coffee shops or restaurants. If you want to do anything in my county, usually you leave — we'd head to Boone or Asheville."

Tracie Coble, a senior in biology and botany, had similar experiences in Bladen County, a small southeastern county she says "people only know about because they pass through it on the way to the beach. I tell everyone I'm from Elizabethtown because it's the closest thing to a town near





me — actually I'm from the outskirts of everything."

For entertainment, she and her twin sister Stacie would drive for an hour to Fayetteville or Lumberton. "My mom always said if a guy came to pick us up for a date, he must really like us. He'd have to drive for 20 minutes or so just to get to our house."

Travel time is a common point of discussion for many students from outlying counties. Wanda Wagstaff, a sophomore in business management and economics, hails from Gaston County. "My county's bad, and most of it's country," she says, giggling. Then she pauses. "Okay, it's not bad — it's rural, but it's not tiny. I live in the county seat. It's got the Wal-Mart."

"It's not completely boring," she finally admits. "It's near Charlotte, so you can get to the city life. But I live in the middle of the woods, and most of the county's that way. Everything closes at 6 p.m. You can't do anything after 8. Well, the grocery store's open 24 hours now."

Jonathan Simpson says similar things about Union County. "For the most part, it's rural. It has one medium-sized town, Monroe, and a bunch of smaller towns. By the way, you're classified as a town if you have a church, a gas station and an elementary school."

"Most kids would drive to Charlotte if they wanted to do something fun," he says. "Although quite a few people found that hanging out in the local Kmart parking lot was fun enough."

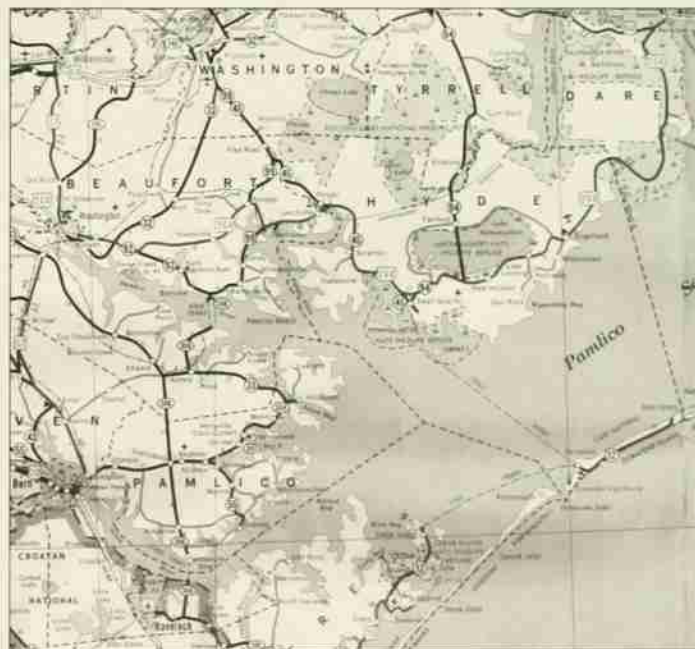
Jeremy Perry of Granville County simply says, "If we wanted to do anything, we'd have to drive to Durham. So, we'd go camping a lot, or to somebody's house." A senior in graphic design, he appreciates

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# Coastal Plains

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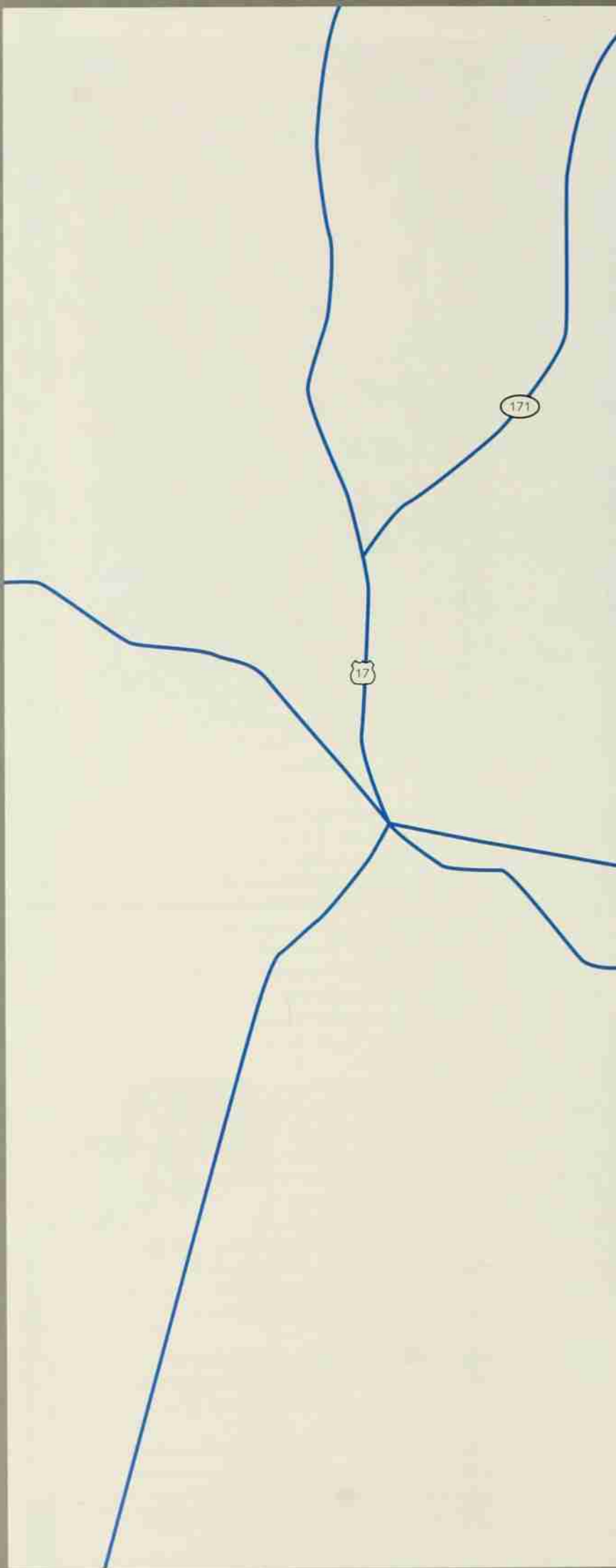
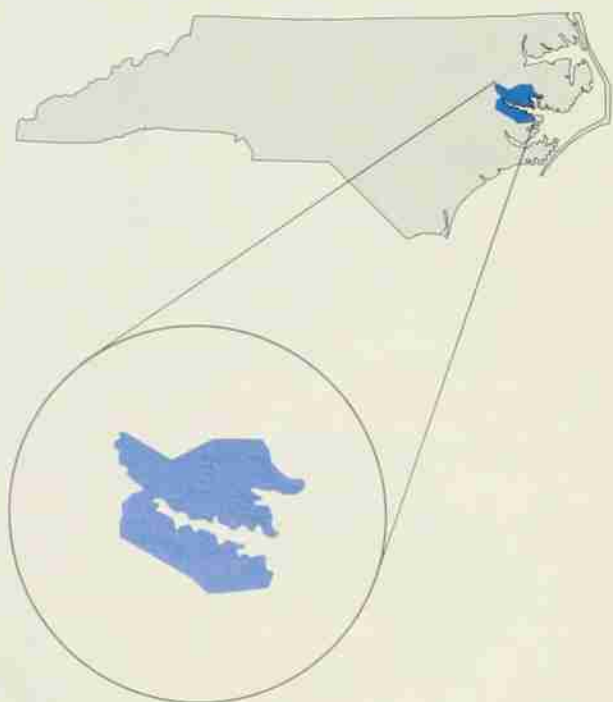


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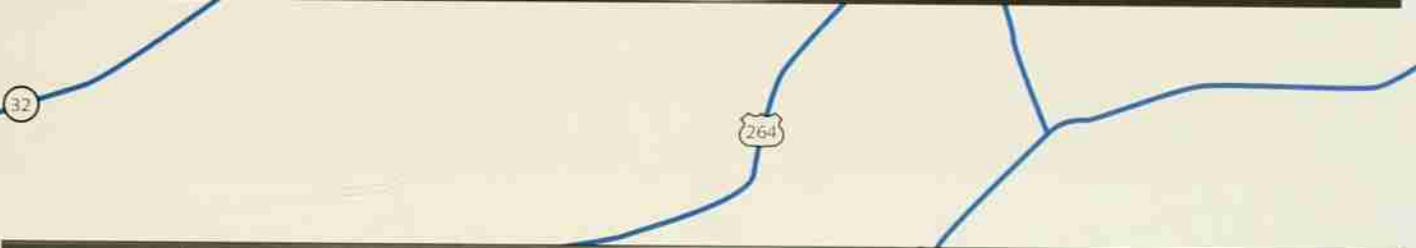


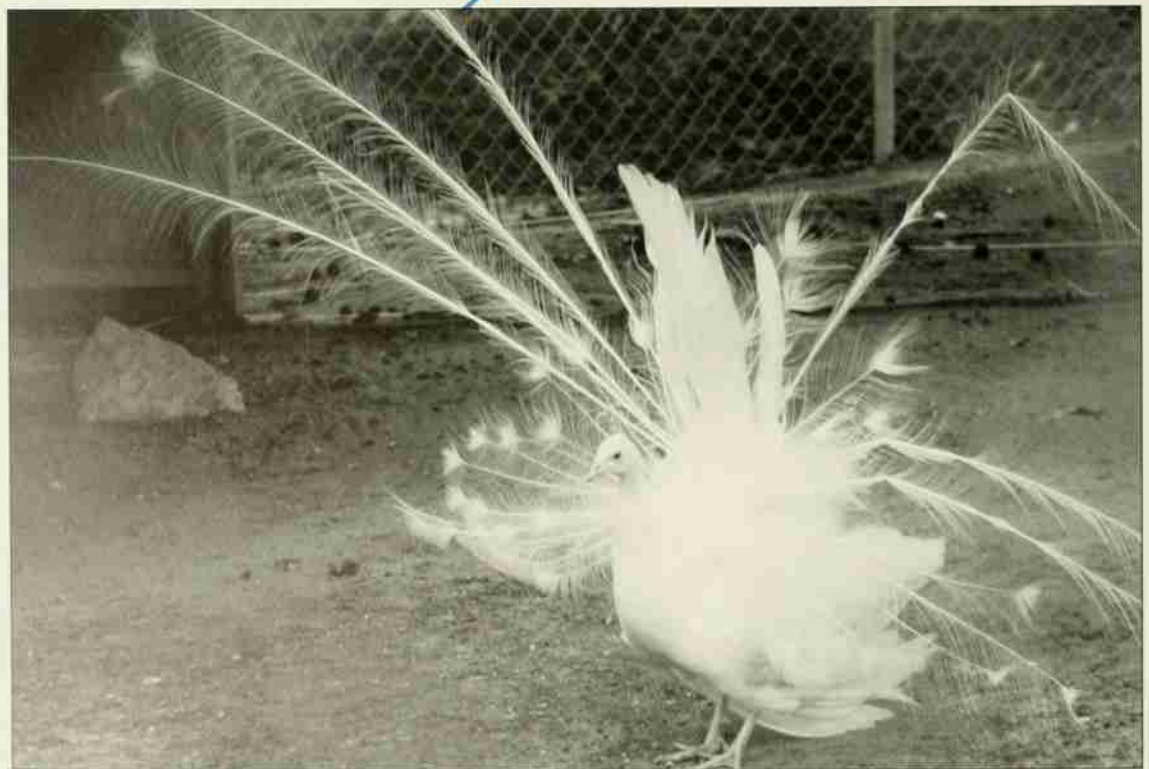
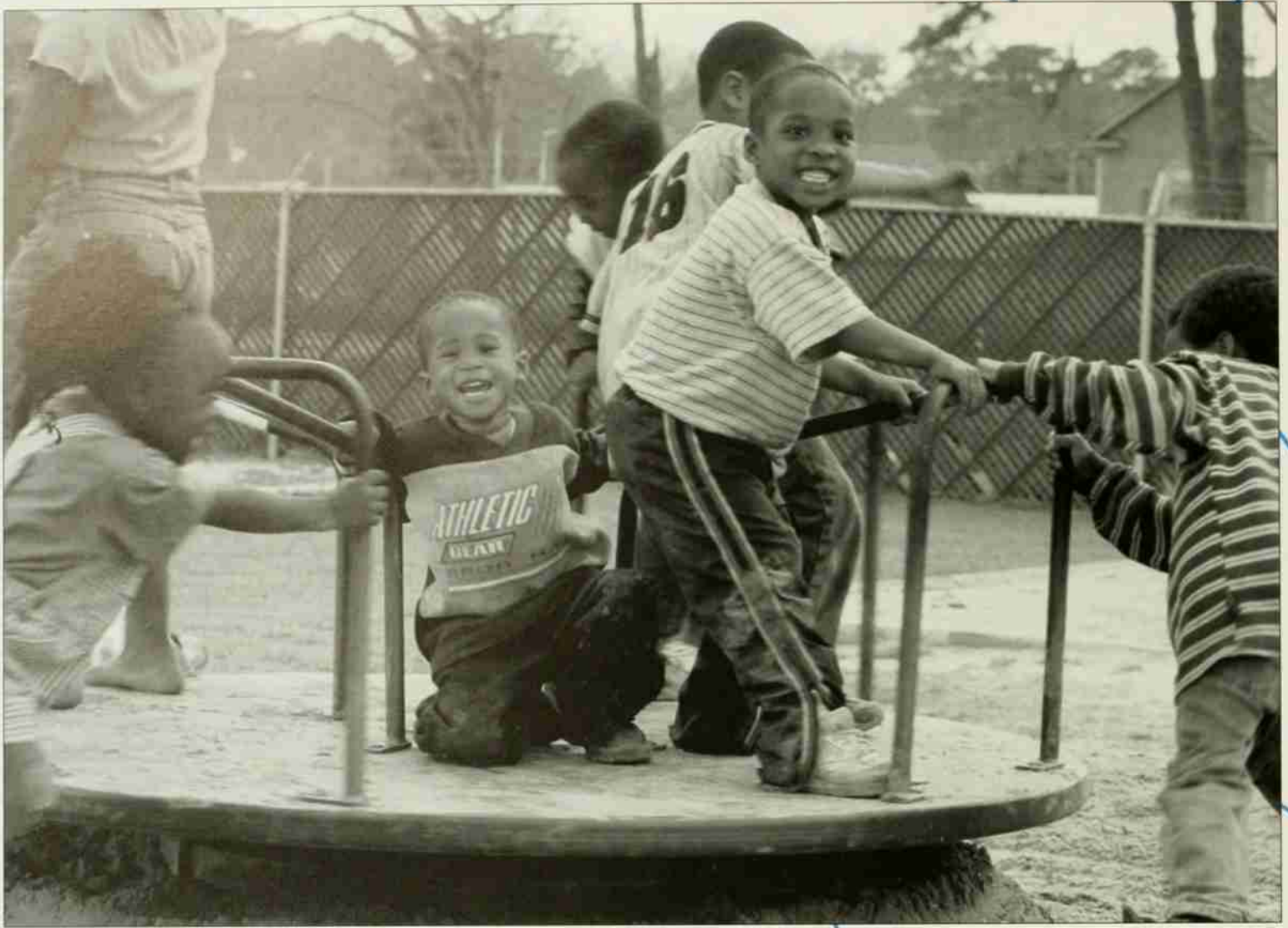
COUNTY SEAT: Washington  
ELEVATION: 41 ft. above sea level  
LARGEST CITY: Washington  
TOTAL AREA: 958.36 sq. miles  
POPULATION (2000): 44,958  
POPULATION RANK: 53 out of 100 counties  
POPULATION DENSITY: 54.3 per sq. mile

Beaufort was first called Pamptecough, the name being changed about 1712. It is named for Henry Somerset, Duke of Beaufort, who in 1709 became one of the Lords Proprietors. Located in northeastern North Carolina, it's the site of the Belhaven Memorial Museum, a hodgepodge of everyday items and historic artifacts. The Old Atlantic Coastline Railroad Station, a restored train depot, serves as the county seat's civic center. The county is also home to the state's oldest incorporated town and the one-time home to Blackbeard: Bath.









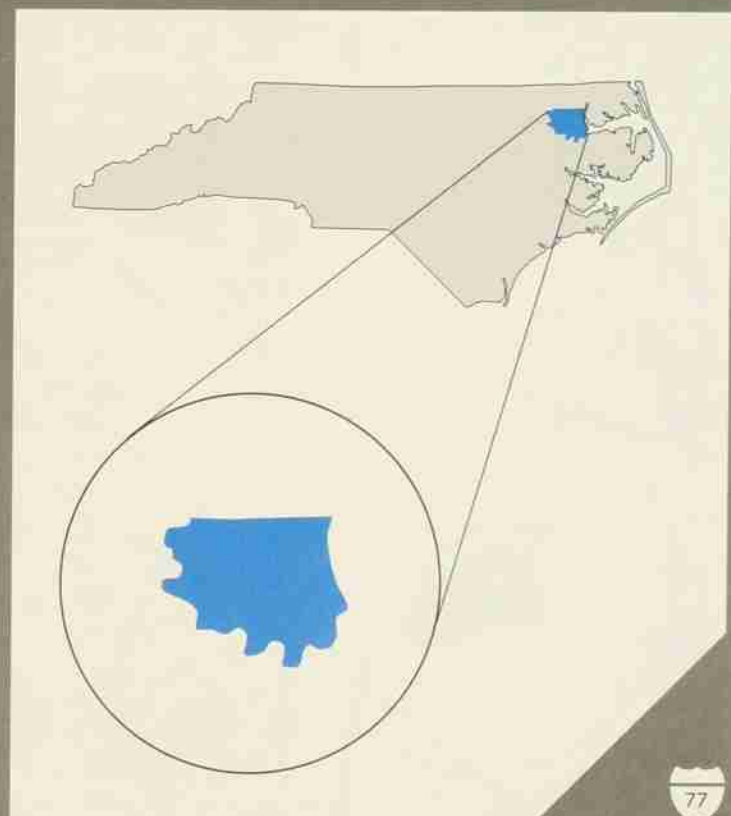
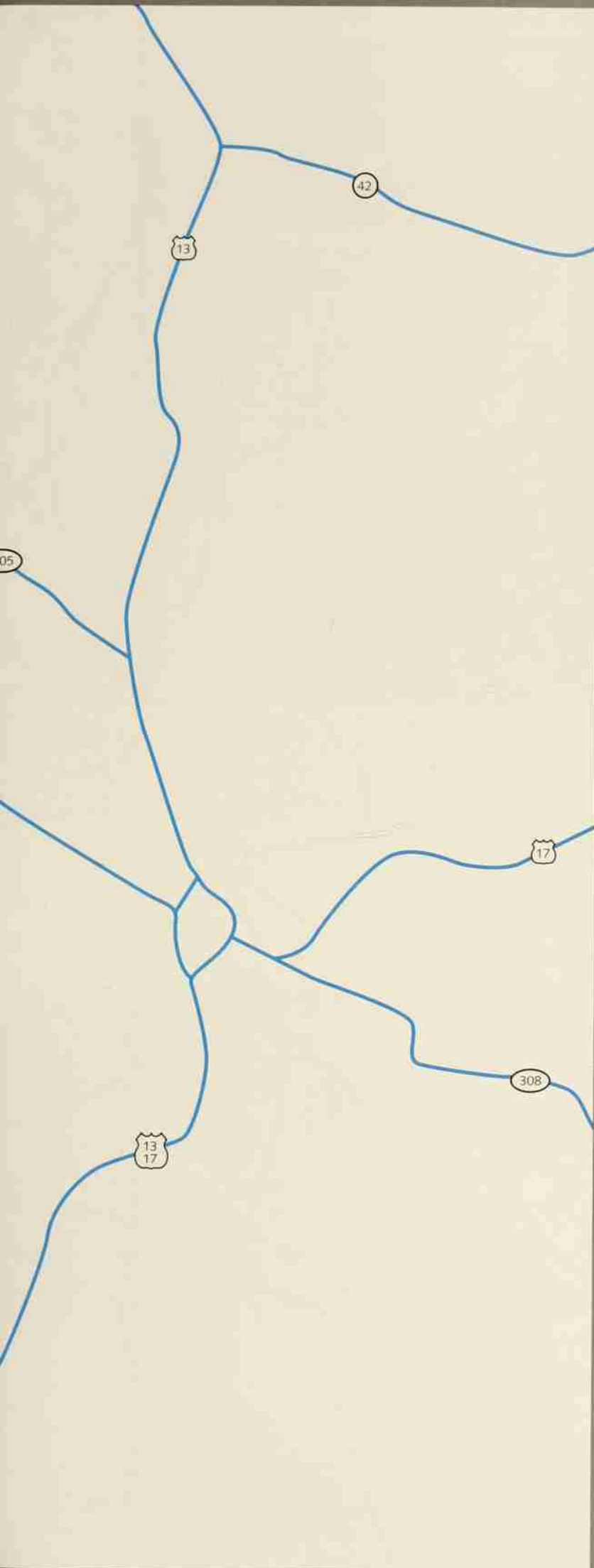


# BERTIE COUNTY



COUNTY SEAT: Windsor  
ELEVATION: 10 ft. above sea-level  
LARGEST CITY: Windsor  
TOTAL AREA: 741.27 sq. miles  
POPULATION (2000): 19,773  
POPULATION RANK: 80 out of 100 counties  
POPULATION DENSITY: 28.28 per sq. mile

Bertie was formed in 1722 from Chowan. It is named in honor of James Bertie, a Lords Proprietor. Located in northeastern North Carolina, Bertie is nestled on the western end of Albemarle Sound and bounded on the southern and western borders by the Roanoke River. The county seat, Windsor, is home the crown jewel of Bertie County's historic legacy, Hope Plantation and hosts several festivals such as Fun Day in the Park, the Spring Tour of Historic Homes and Buildings, and Chicken on the Cashie Festival. The Freeman Hotel is also located in Windsor. Built in 1840, the attraction embodies the distinctive characteristics of small hotels once found in many eastern North Carolina towns at the turn of the century.





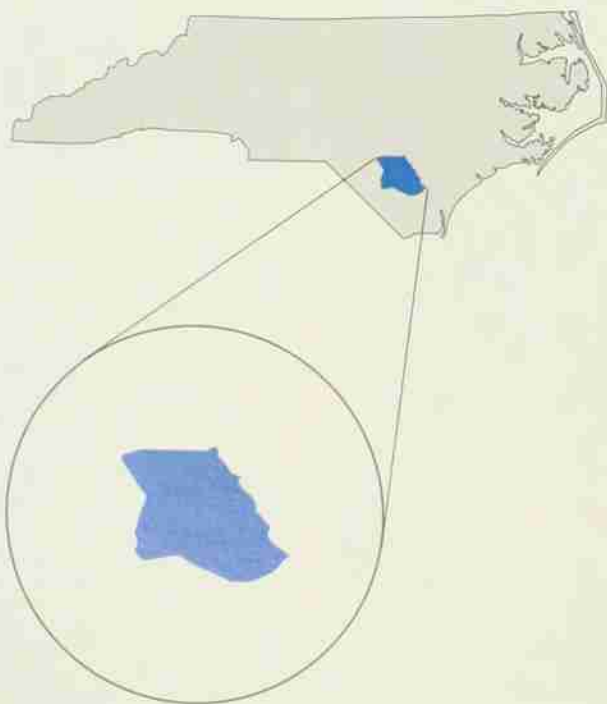
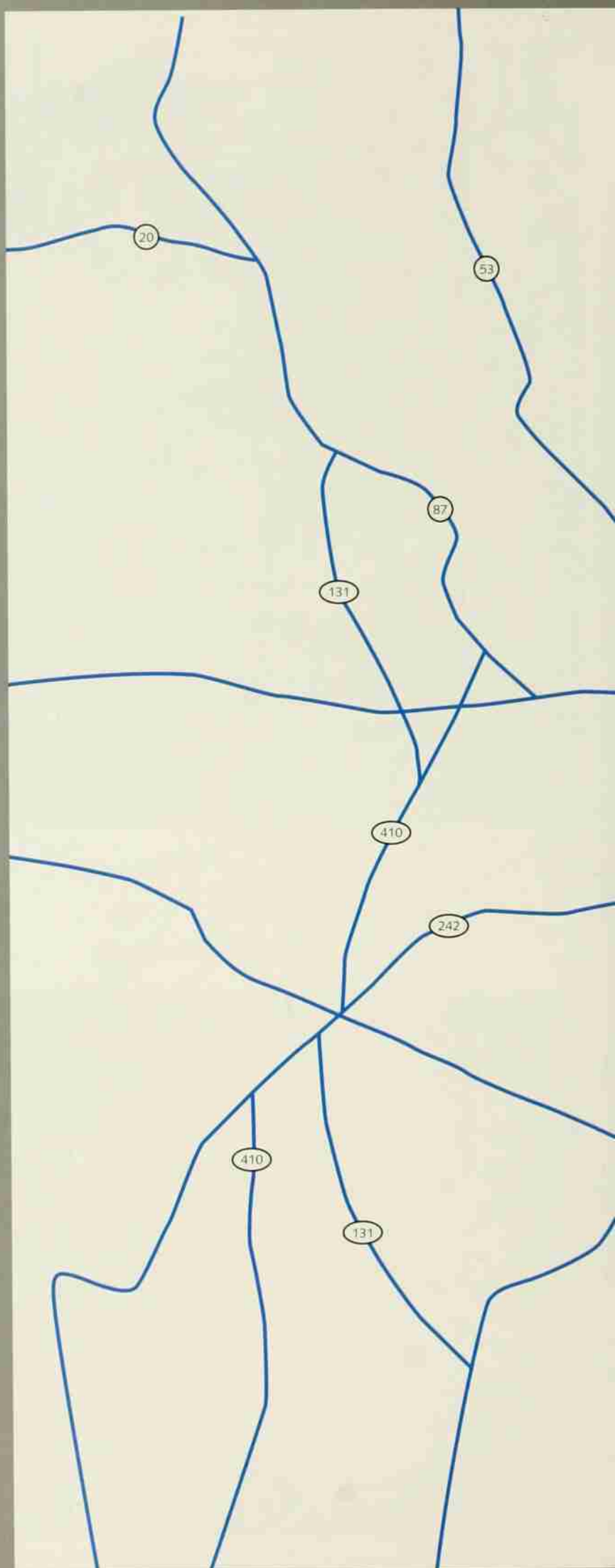
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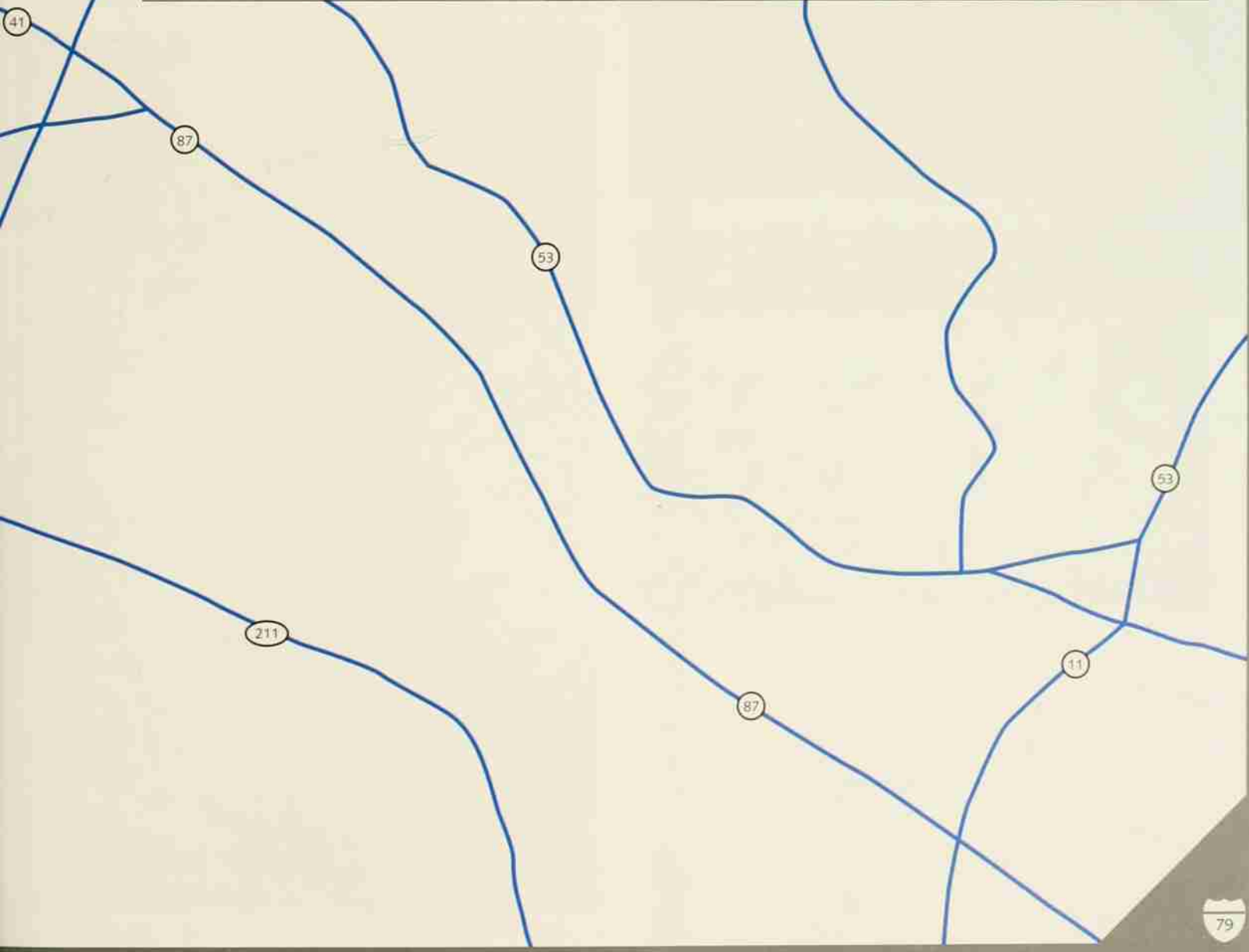
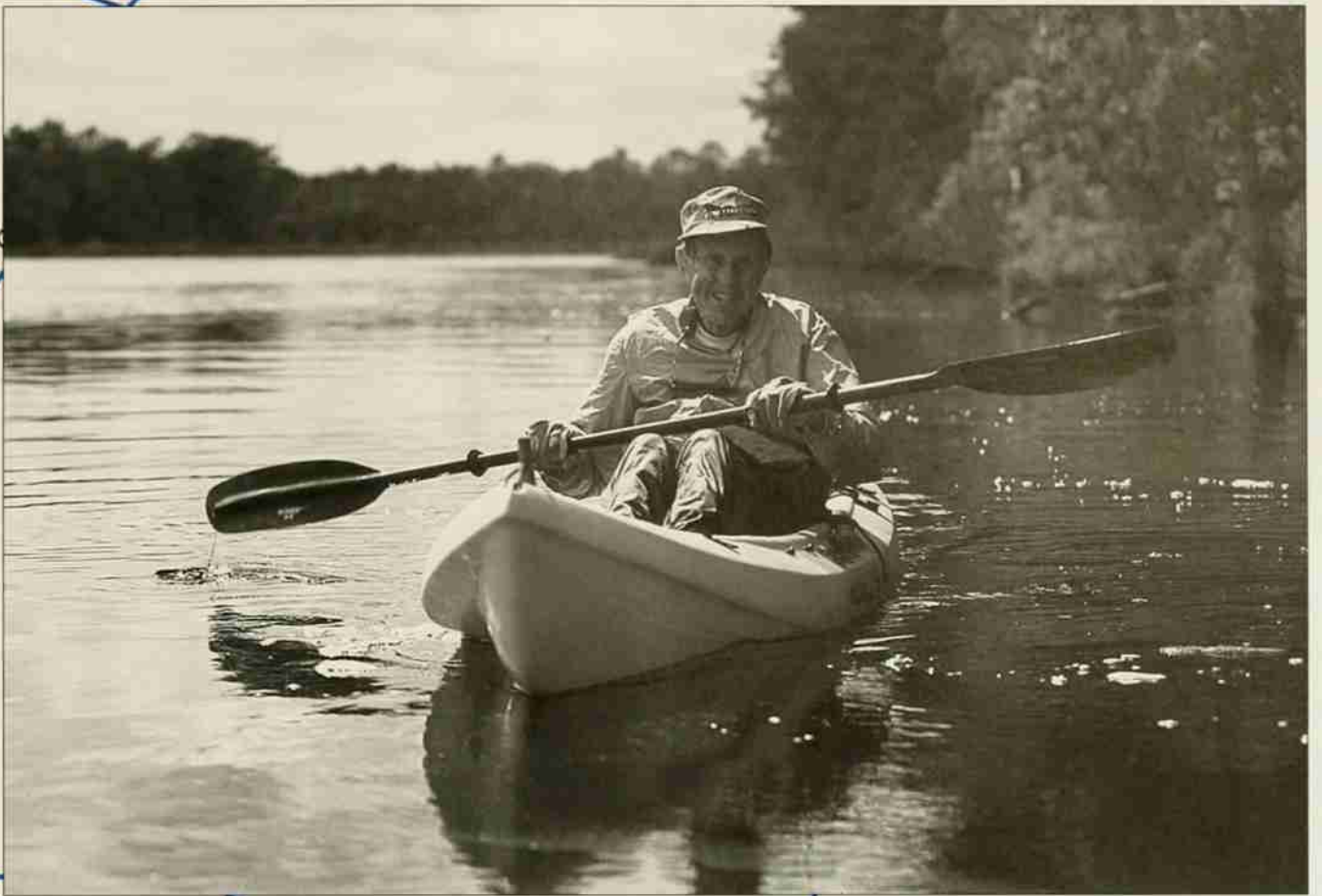


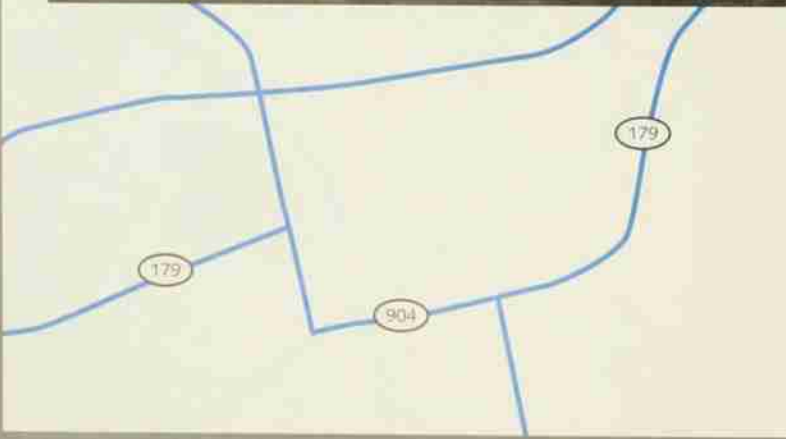
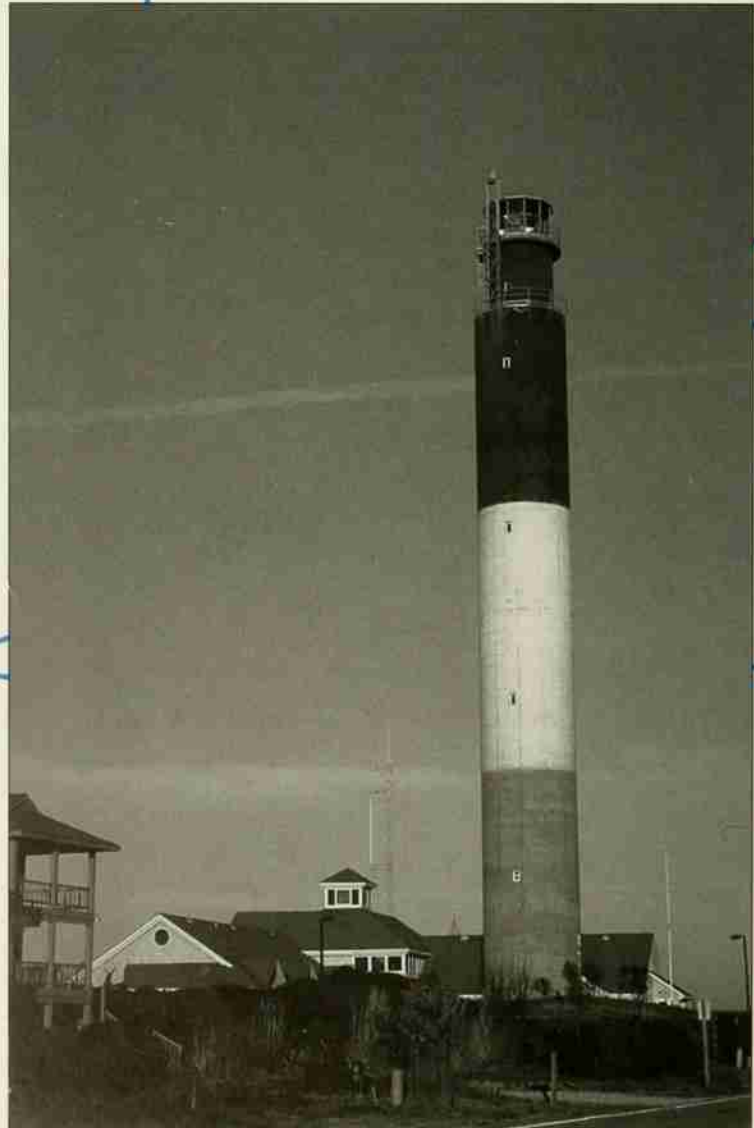
COUNTY SEAT: Elizabethtown  
ELEVATION: 121 ft. above sea level  
LARGEST CITY: Elizabethtown  
TOTAL AREA: 887.68 sq. miles  
POPULATION (2000): 32,278  
POPULATION RANK: 67 out of 100 counties  
POPULATION DENSITY: 36.89 per sq. mile

One of the largest counties in the state, its also one of the least dense. Of the 100 counties in North Carolina, 55 were once a part of Bladen, a fact which has earned it the name, the Mother County. Bladen is home to five lakes, a chain known as Bladen Lakes and one, White lake, whose crystal clearness has made it a favorite with tourists. The town of White Lake is the only commercial resort in the area, but it brings in thousands of visitors each summer.

"I'm from Elizabethtown, or at least that's what I tell people—we're on the outskirts of everything. People know our county because they drive through it. Everyone always says, 'Oh we go through there on our way to the beach!'"  
-Tracie Coble, Senior, Biology and Botany









# BRUNSWICK COUNTY



COUNTY SEAT: Bolivia

ELEVATION: 40 ft. above sea level

LARGEST CITY: Long Beach

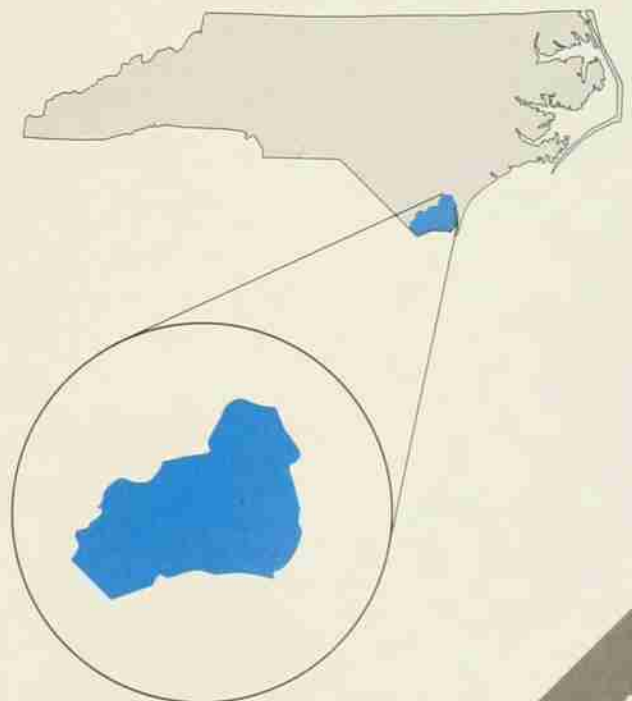
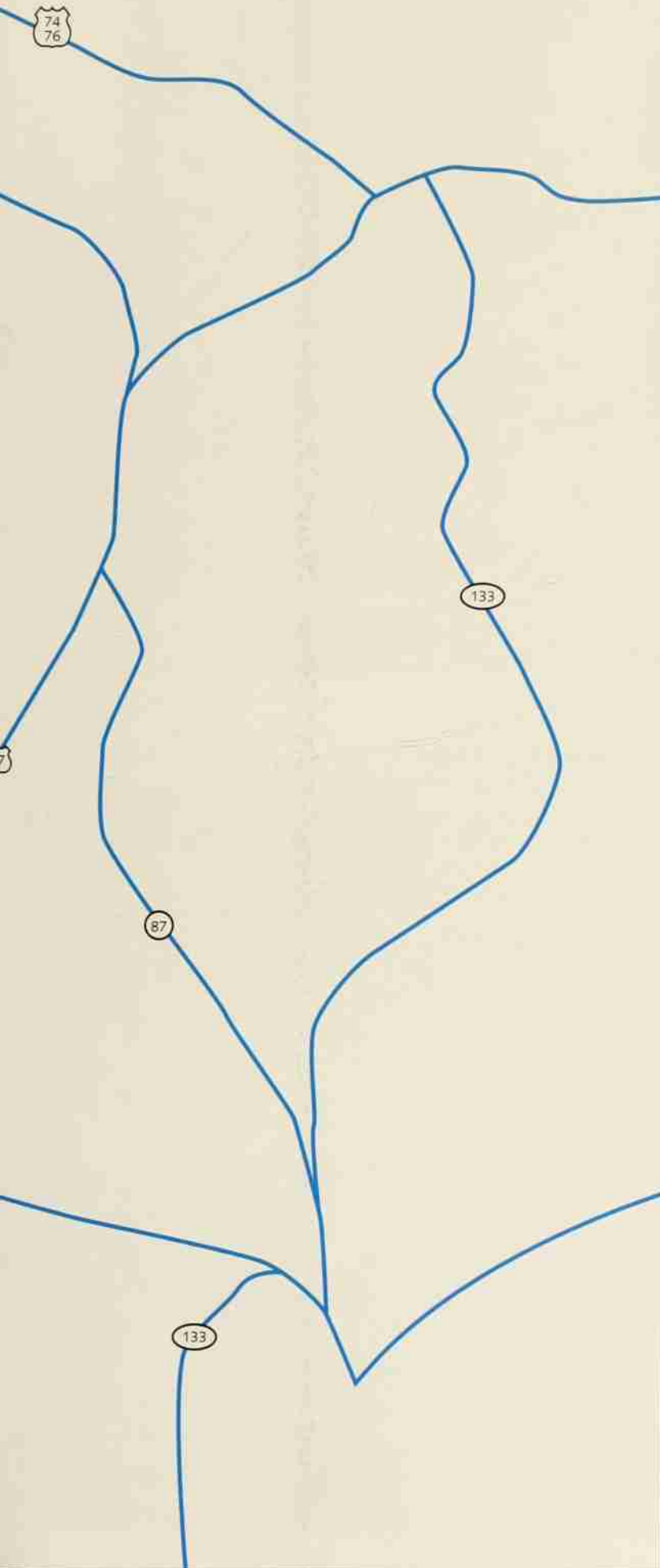
TOTAL AREA: 896.29 sq. miles

POPULATION (2000): 73,143

POPULATION RANK: 34 OUT OF 100 COUNTIES

POPULATION DENSITY: 81.57 per sq. mile

Brunswick was formed in 1764 from New Hanover and Bladen. It is named in honor of the town of Brunswick, which is named for King George I, Duke of Brunswick and Lunenburg. Being located on the intercoastal waterway makes it a favorite for boaters and other aquaphiles. There are many popular beach retreats within the county. Among the more popular: Long Beach, Holden Beach, Bald Head Island, and Ocean Isle. Bald Head Island is unique in that it can only be reached by ferry, and locals use mostly bikes and golf carts for transportation.

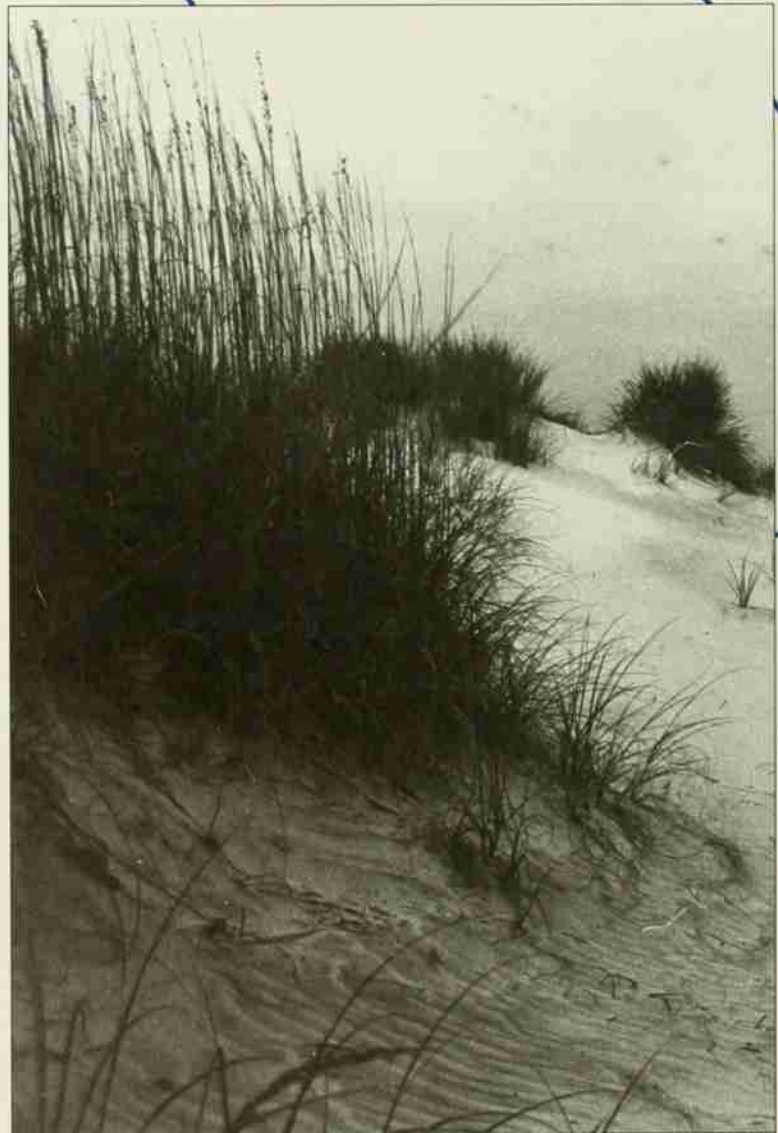
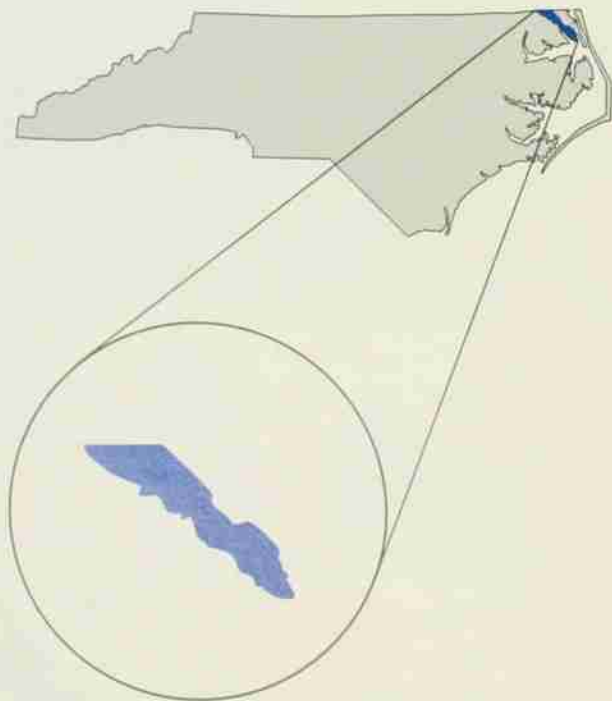
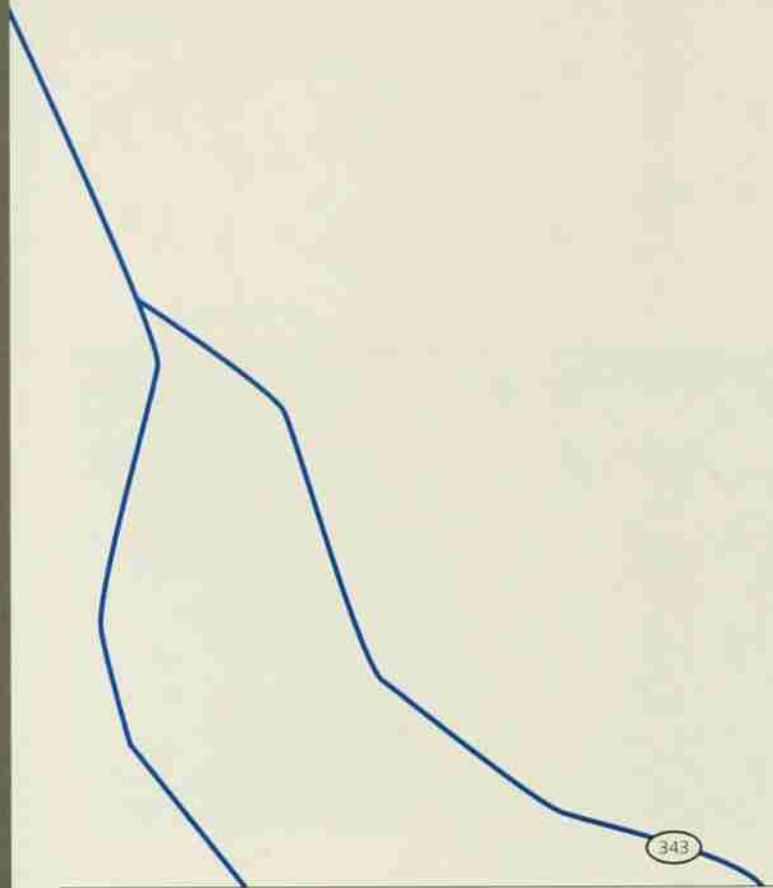


# CAMDEN COUNTY



COUNTY SEAT: Camden  
ELEVATION: 10 ft. above sea level  
LARGEST CITY: South Mills  
TOTAL AREA: 305.56 sq. miles  
POPULATION (2000): 6,885  
POPULATION RANK: 98 out of 100 counties  
POPULATION DENSITY: 28.61 per sq. mile

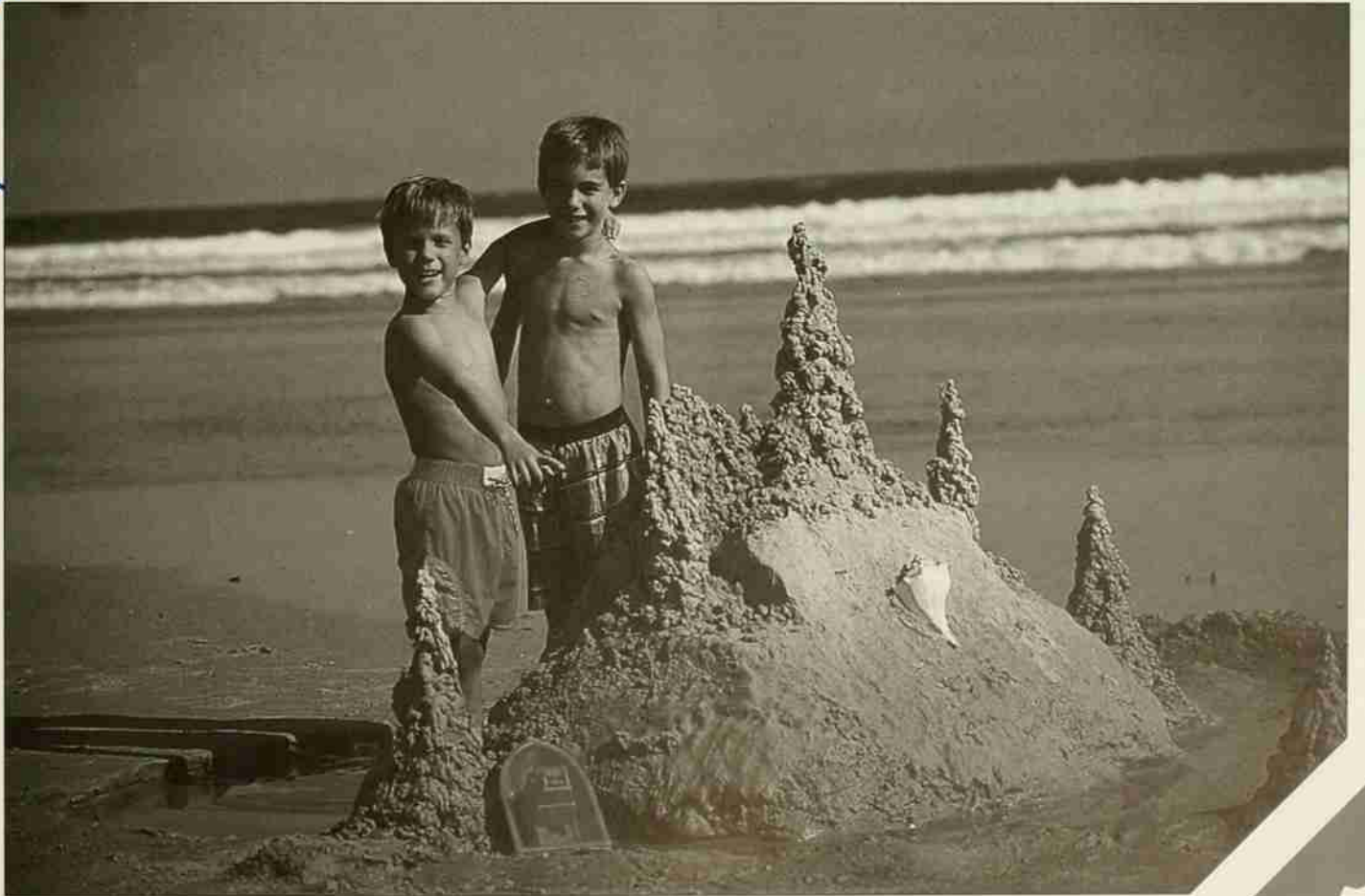
Camden was formed in 1777 from Pasquotank. It is named in honor of Charles Pratt, Earl of Camden, who was one of the staunchest friends of the Americans in the British Parliament. Camden is a small county in southeastern North Carolina, land of the Great Dismal Swamp and of some of the state's more potent ghost stories. The area's "lady of the lake" was even commemorated in the works of Irish poet Thomas Moore. With the Camden causeway and Albemarle Sound, it is a popular area for sports fisherman and boaters. The Pasquotank River Yacht Club holds races on the Pasquotank River several times a year.



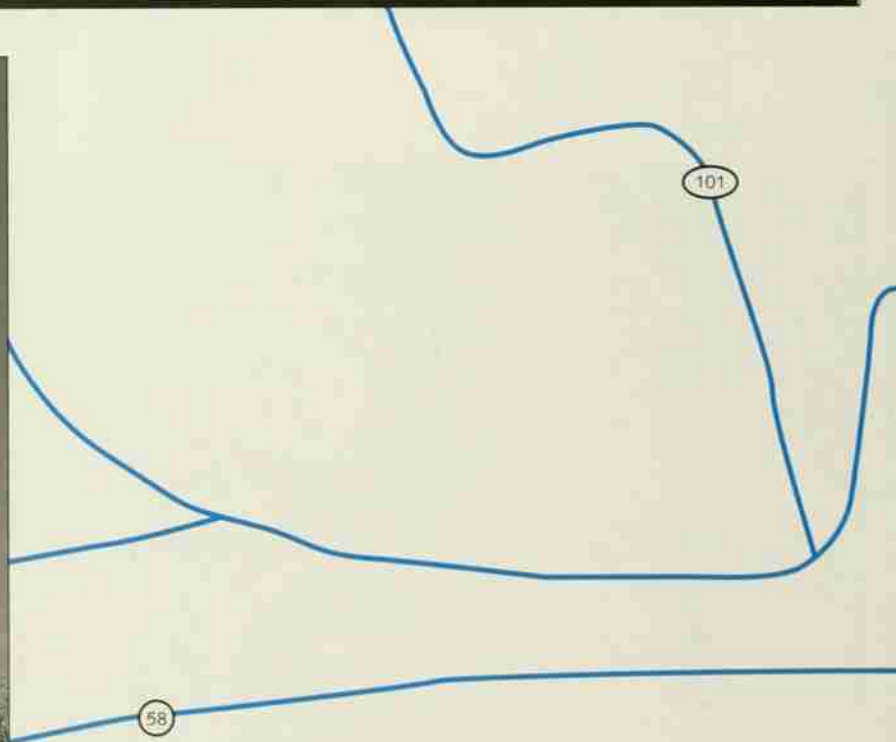
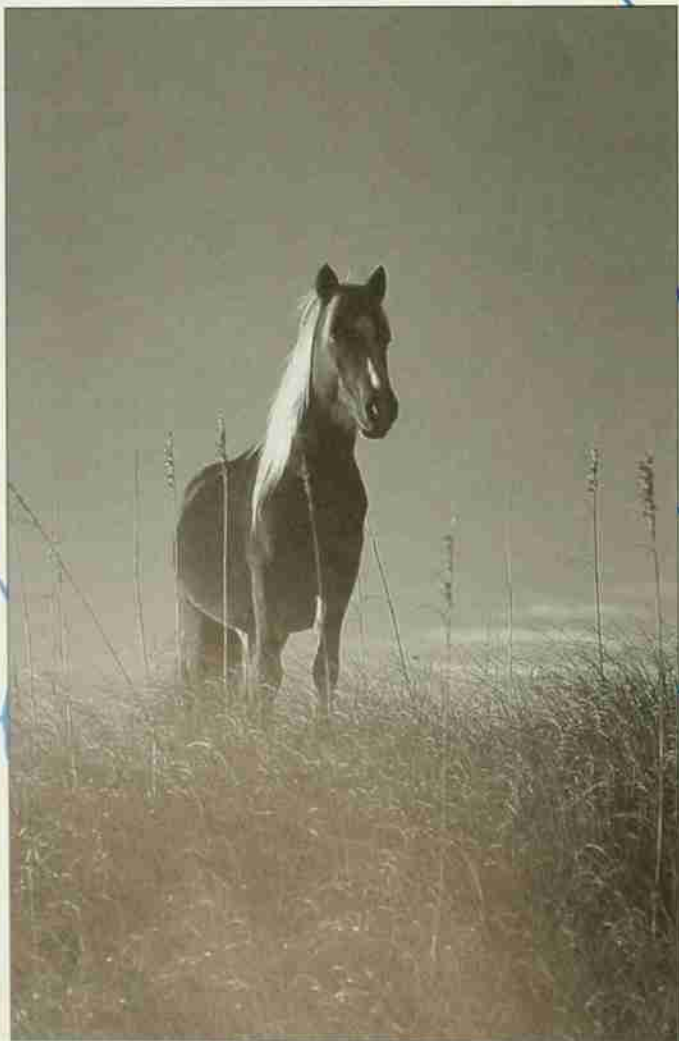




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# CARTERET COUNTY



COUNTY SEAT: Beaufort

ELEVATION: 9 ft. above sea level

LARGEST CITY: Morehead City

TOTAL AREA: 1049.77 sq. miles

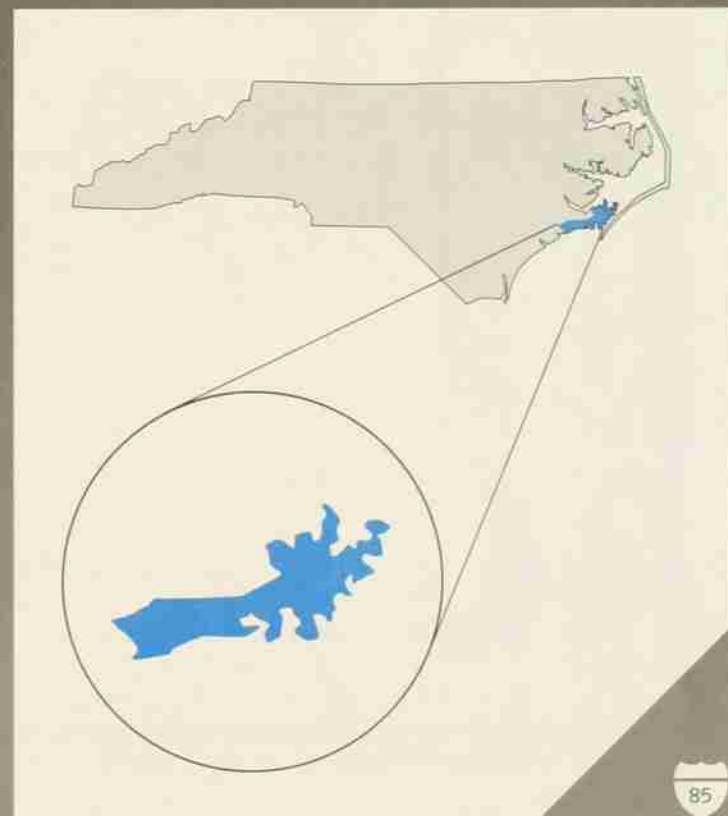
POPULATION (2000): 59,383

POPULATION RANK: 41 out of 100 counties

POPULATION DENSITY: 114.23 per sq. mile

Carteret was formed in 1722 from Craven. It is named in honor of Sir John Carteret afterwards (1744) Earl of Granville, one of the Lords Proprietors. Carteret County encompasses several beaches and beachside cities, including Emerald Isle, Morehead City, Beaufort, Harkers Island, Atlantic Beach and Salter Path. Its coastal location makes it the perfect home for the North Carolina Aquarium and the NC Maritime Museum. Other attractions include Crystal Coast Amphitheatre, Fort Macon state park and Core Sound Waterfowl Museum. The county also boasts a great annual Seafood Festival which is held the first weekend of October.

"There's actually some pretty interesting dialects here. You've got your folks from Harker's Island and they sound totally different from the people at Salter's Path. And there's surfers. And fishermen. And a lot of boat people. All kinds, really." -Thursall Winter, senior, Electrical Engineering



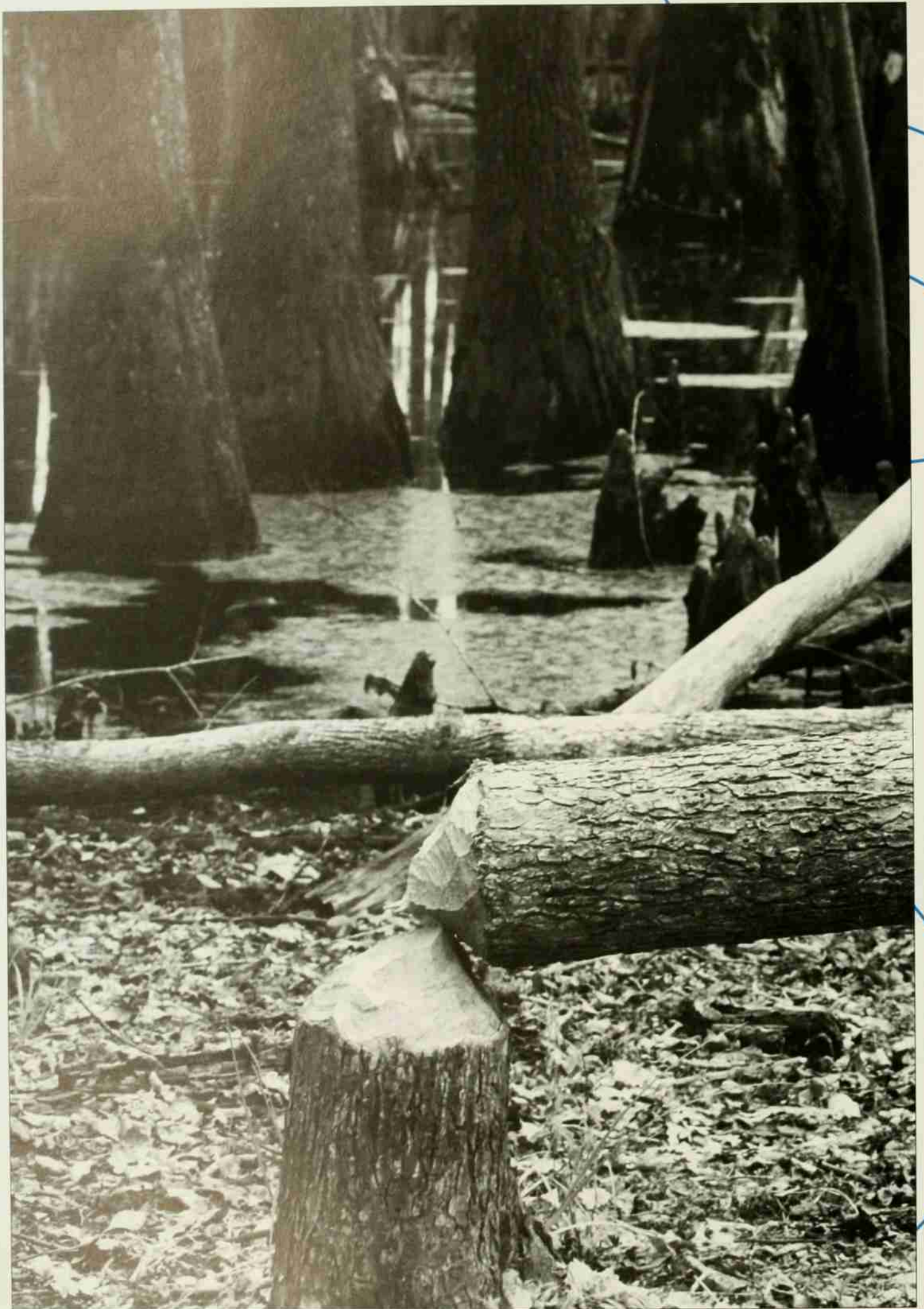






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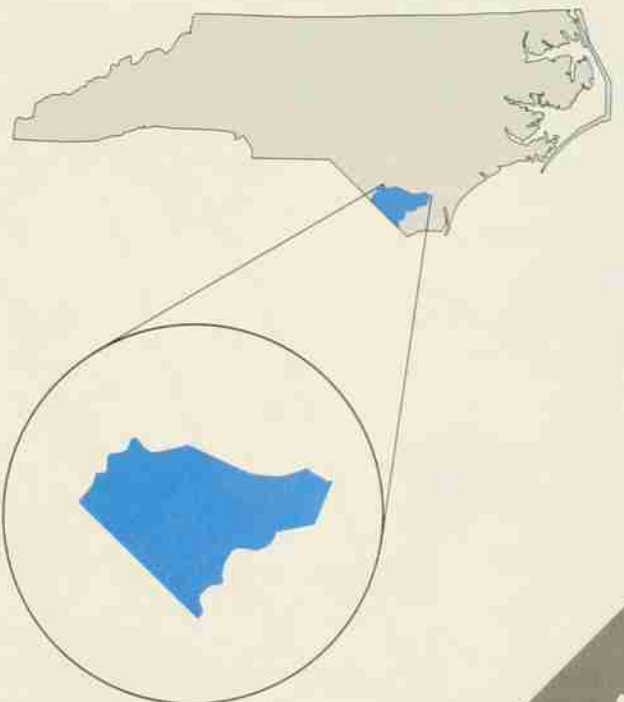
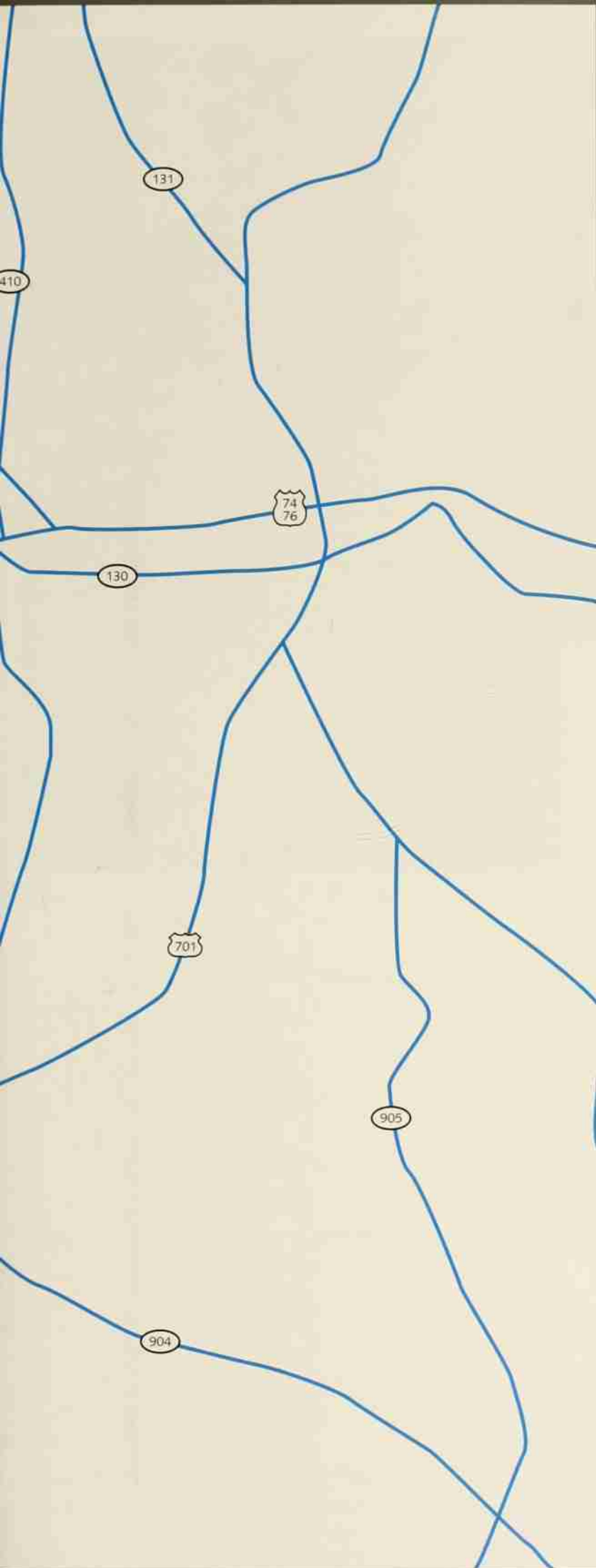


# COLUMBUS COUNTY



COUNTY SEAT: Whiteville  
ELEVATION: 59 ft. above sea level  
LARGEST CITY: Whiteville  
TOTAL AREA: 953.11 sq. miles  
POPULATION (2000): 34,749  
POPULATION RANK: 45 OUT OF 100 COUNTIES  
POPULATION DENSITY: 38.44 per sq. mile

Columbus was formed in 1808 from Brunswick and Bladen. It is named in honor of the discoverer of the New World. Whiteville was laid out on James B. White's land and the public buildings were ordered to be erected there. Whiteville is the county seat.

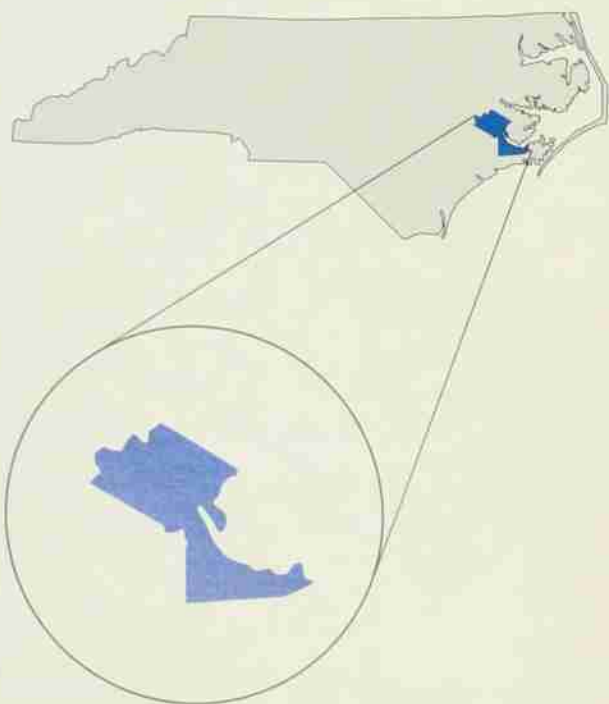




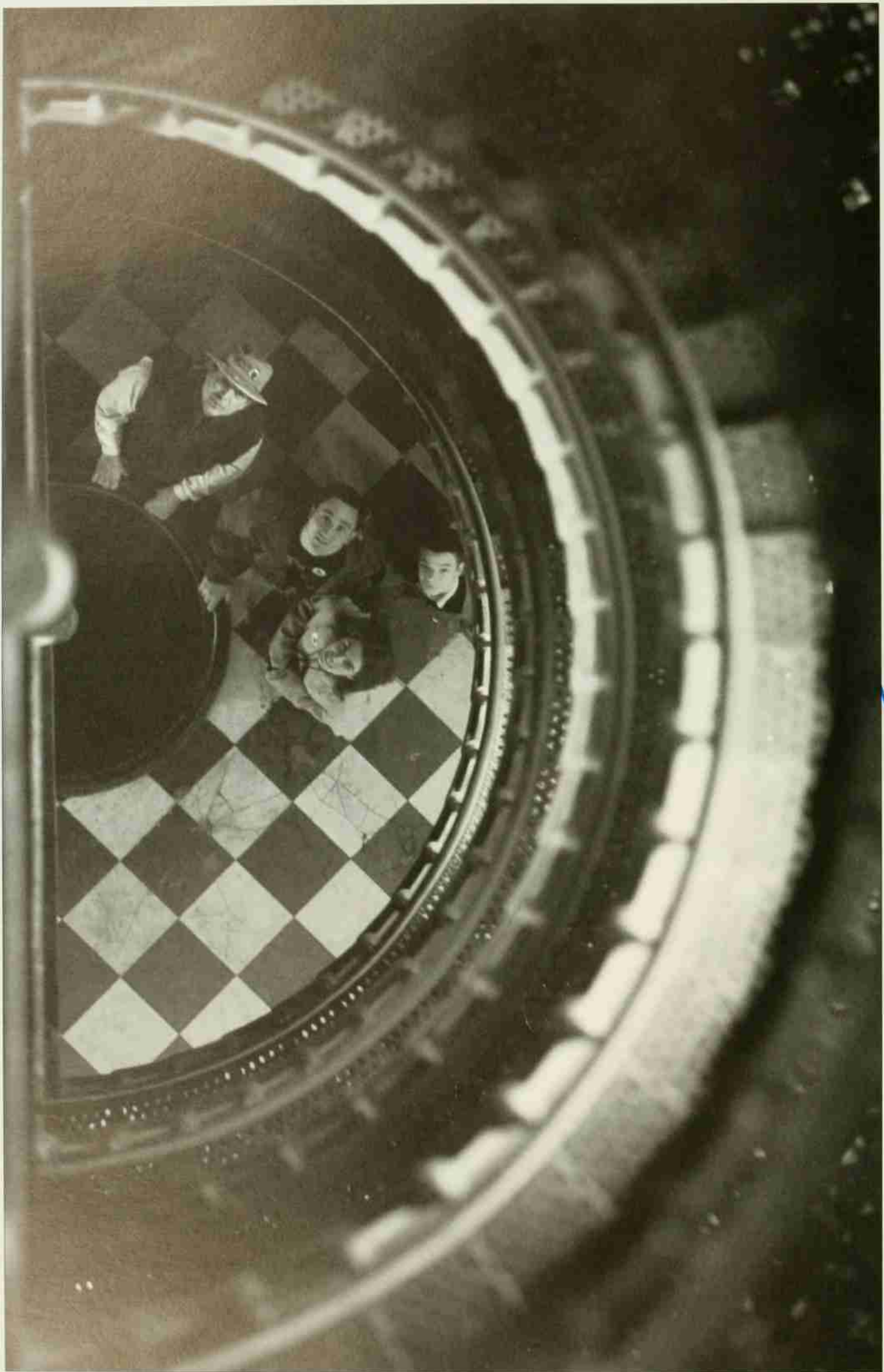
# CRAVEN COUNTY

COUNTY SEAT: New Bern  
ELEVATION: 12 ft. above sea level  
LARGEST CITY: New Bern  
TOTAL AREA: 761.39 sq. miles  
POPULATION (2000): 91,436  
POPULATION RANK: 26 out of 100 counties  
POPULATION DENSITY: 129.07 per sq. mile

Craven was first created as Archdale Precinct of Bath County in 1705. The name was changed about 1712. It is named in honor of William Lord Craven, one of the Lords Proprietors of Carolina. The county seat was first called Chattawka, or Chattoocka, and later New Bern. New Bern was the first permanent capital of the North Carolina colony. The capital was moved to Raleigh in 1794 to satisfy the complaints of the westerners that it was too far eastward and that they had no government voice. Craven County is home to Tryon Palace and "Brad's Drink" in New Bern, the birthplace of Pepsi Cola. It is also home to Cherry Point, the world's largest Marine Corp. Air Station. Folks from all over the state come to Havelock each October for the state Chili Cook-Off and to watch the Michelob Regatta in New Bern toward the end of August.









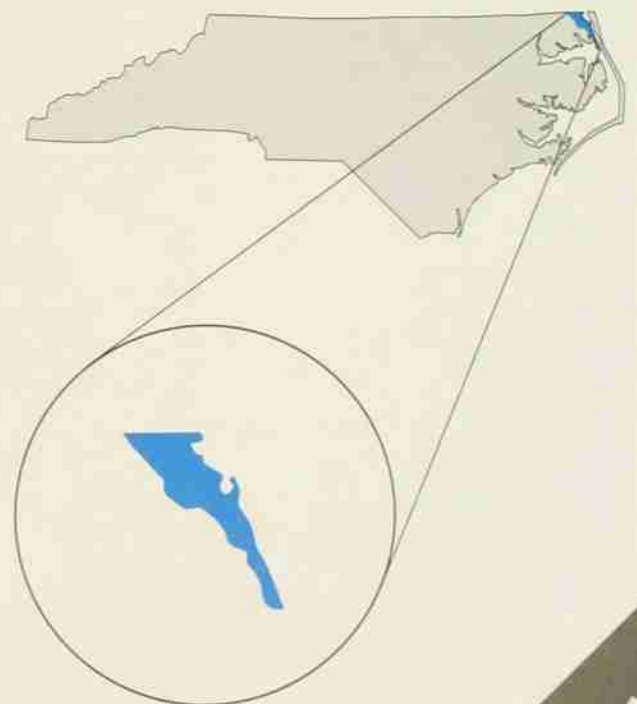
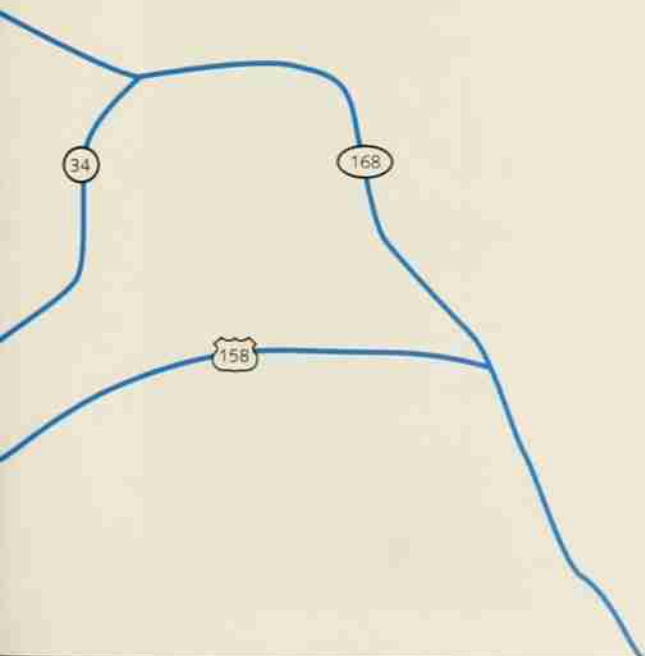


# CURRITUCK COUNTY



COUNTY SEAT: Currituck  
ELEVATION: 8 ft. above sea level  
LARGEST CITY: Shawboro  
TOTAL AREA: 443.63 sq. miles  
POPULATION (2000): 15,190  
POPULATION RANK: 84 out of 100 counties  
POPULATION DENSITY: 69.51 per sq. mile

Currituck County was established around 1668. It was one of the five original ports for North Carolina and one of the original counties. The Currituck County Courthouse and Jail are two of the oldest buildings in North Carolina. The word "Currituck" in the Algonquian Indian language means "The Land of the Wild Goose." The abundant waters, marshes, and woods still available in the County enable Currituck to enjoy a national and international reputation as a "Sportsman's Paradise." Currituck and Corolla are the two most popular cities in the county. The most popular landmarks of the region are the Currituck Beach Lighthouse and the Lighthouse Keeper's House, which can both be found in Corolla. The county is also home to the Peach Festival toward the end of July where those attending can sample all that involves the wonderful fruit.

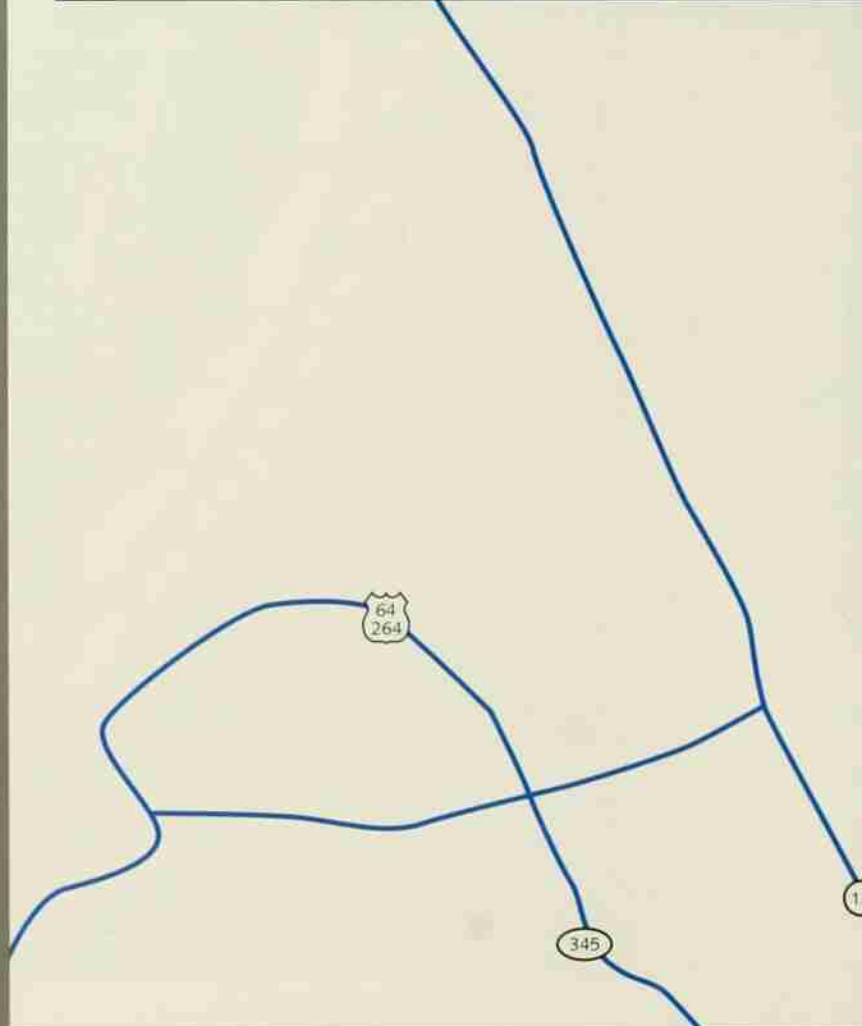
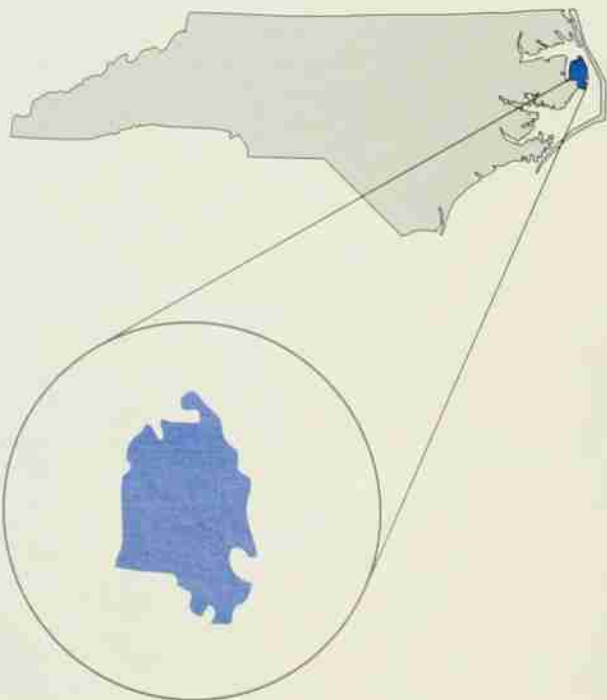
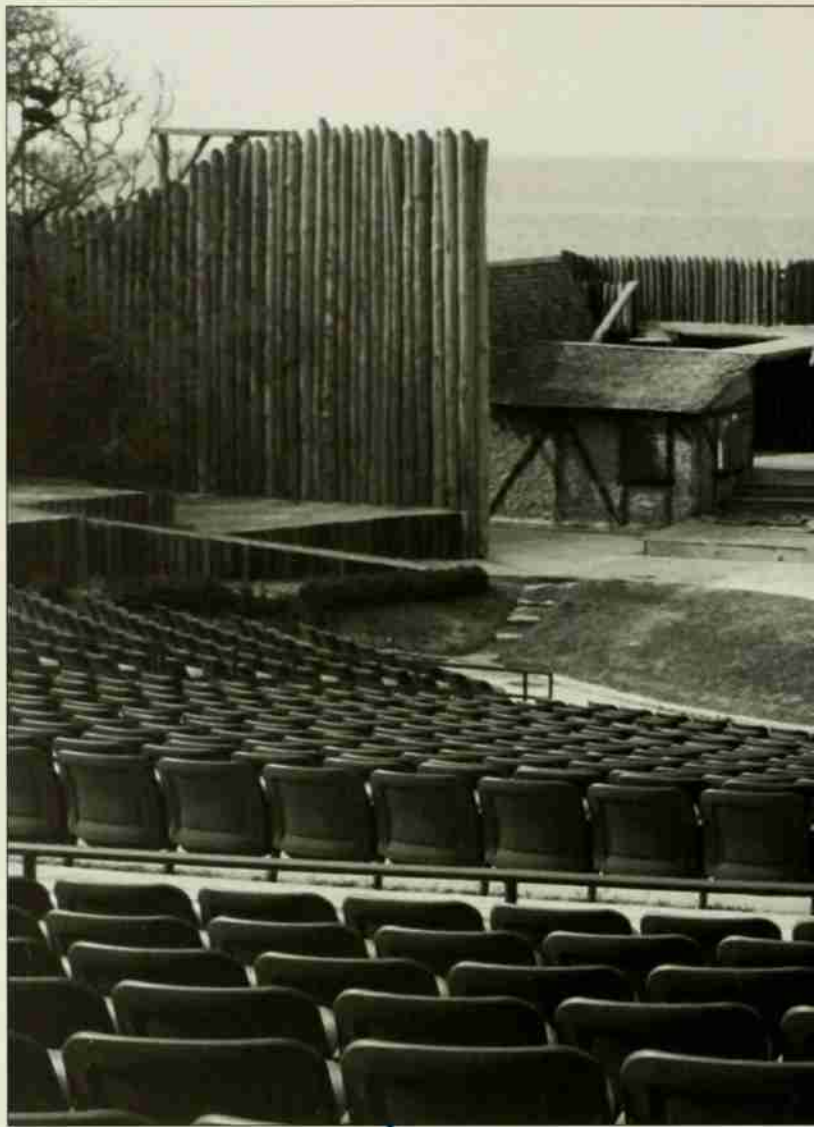


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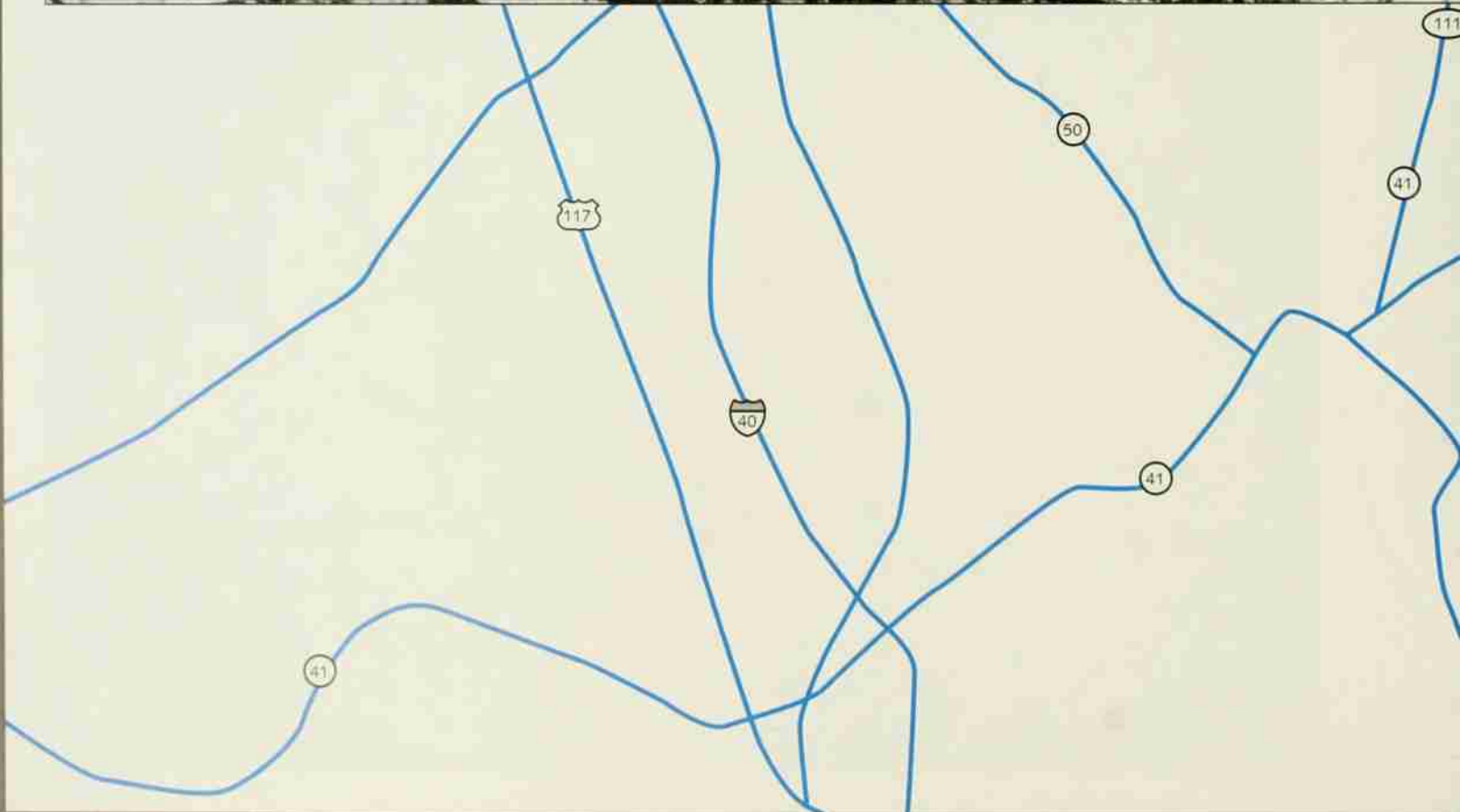
COUNTY SEAT: Manteo  
ELEVATION: 12 ft. above sea level  
LARGEST CITY: Kill Devil Hills  
TOTAL AREA: 1,248.57 sq. miles  
POPULATION (2000): 29,967  
POPULATION RANK: 68 out of 100 counties  
POPULATION DENSITY: 78.13 per sq. mile

Dare was formed in 1870 from Currituck, Tyrrell, and Hyde. It is named in honor of Virginia Dare, the first child born of English parents in America. Inland Dare County is home mostly to Alligator River National Wildlife Preserve. Most residents live in towns along the Outer Banks portion of the county. Major cities include Kill Devil Hills and Nags Head. Dare County is the home of perhaps the two most famous landmarks of the state: Kitty Hawk, the site of the first airplane flight; and Cape Hatteras Lighthouse in Buxton, the tallest lighthouse in the nation. Bird lovers flock to the county for the annual Wings over Water Festival held in early November.











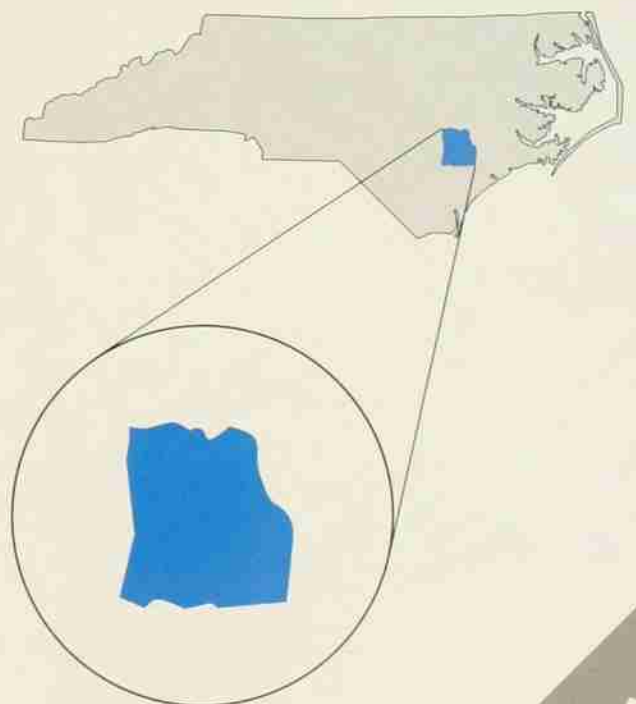
# DUPLIN COUNTY



COUNTY SEAT: Kenansville  
ELEVATION: 127 ft. above sea level  
LARGEST CITY: Wallace  
TOTAL AREA: 819.24 sq. miles  
POPULATION (2000): 49,063  
POPULATION RANK: 48 out of 100 counties  
POPULATION DENSITY: 60 per sq. mile

Duplin was formed in 1750 from New Hanover. It is named in honor of an English nobleman, Thomas Hay, Lord Duplin. Duplin County is home to the World's largest frying pan. This huge attraction weighs in at 2 tons and is 15 feet in diameter. It is located in the city of Rose Hill and attracts many visitors each year. Duplin County is also home to the Cowan Museum, which displays rare and unusual early rural American heritage from the area. Not to be outdone by its main attractions, the county is host to the Warsaw Spring Fest. The festival is celebrated every May as a chance for the county to come together to enjoy games, food, and live music.

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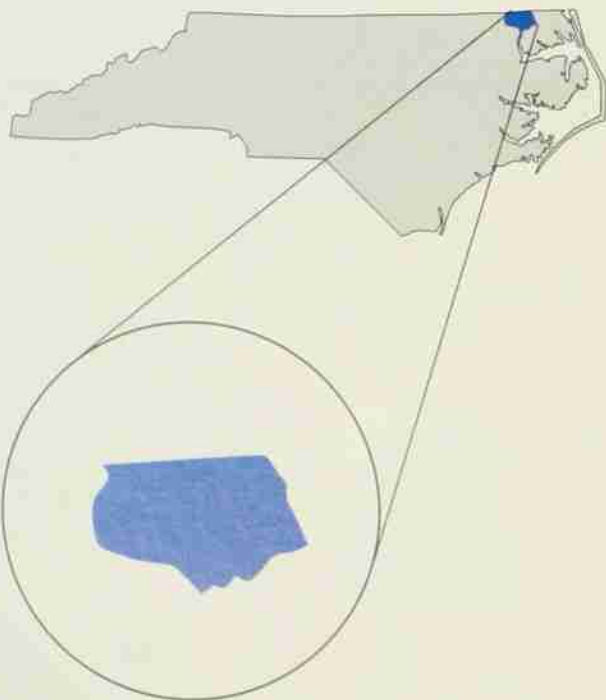
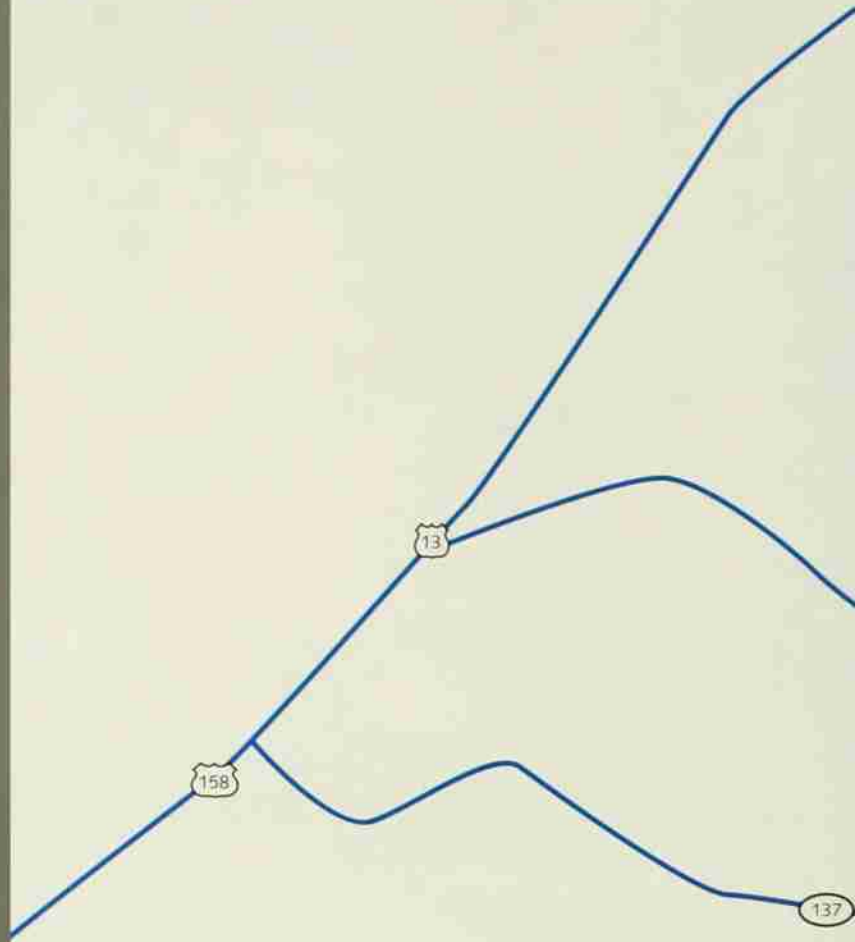


# GATES COUNTY



COUNTY SEAT: Gatesville  
ELEVATION: 40 ft. above sea level  
LARGEST CITY: Gatesville  
TOTAL AREA: 345.69 sq. miles  
POPULATION (2000): 10,516  
POPULATION RANK: 94 out of 100 counties  
POPULATION DENSITY: 30.87 per sq. mile

Gates was formed in 1779 from Chowan, Hertford, and Perquimans counties. It is named in honor of General Horatio Gates, who commanded American Army at the Battle of Saratoga. The county boasts many natural attractions. These attractions include The Great Dismal Swamp National Wildlife Range, one of the largest nature preserves in the state. For those who enjoy botanical beauty there is Merchant's Millpond State Park. This park is spread out over 2,700 acres and offers an excellent variety of plants and flowers. Every October, Gates County holds its annual Swamp Fest, an old time country festival, which is named for the many wetlands in the area.







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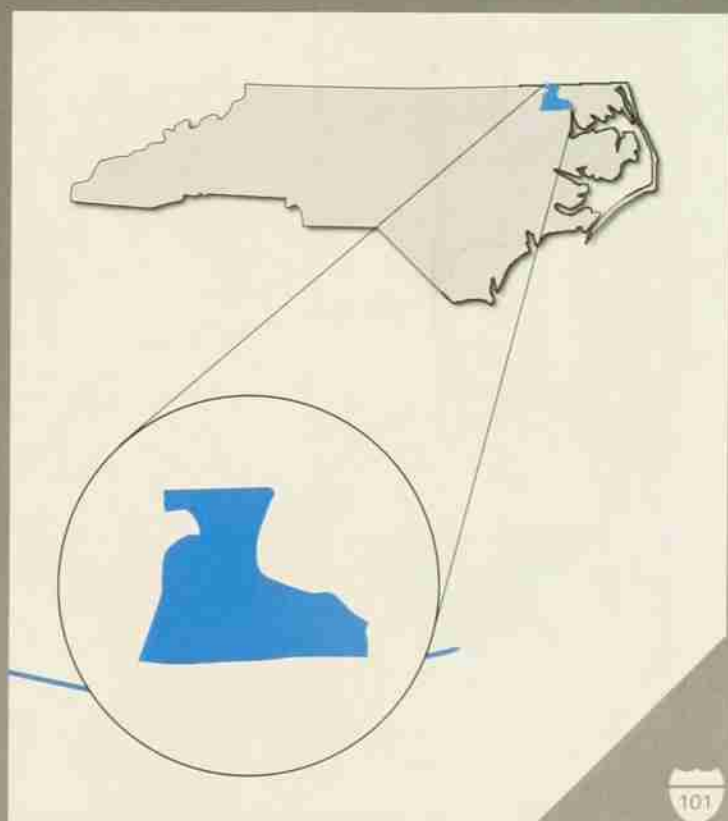
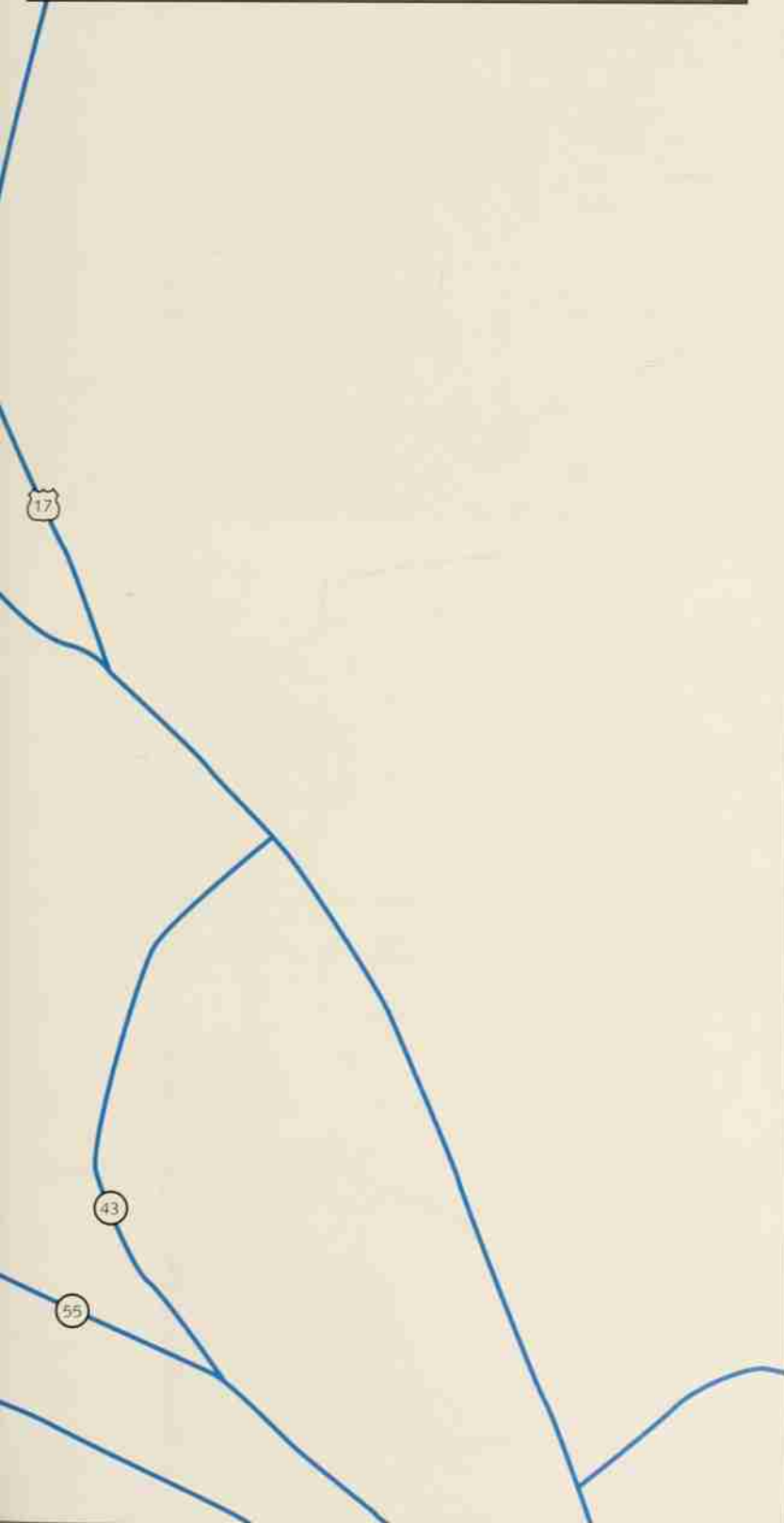


# HERTFORD COUNTY



COUNTY SEAT: Winton  
ELEVATION: 45 ft. above sea level  
LARGEST CITY: Ahoskie  
TOTAL AREA: 361.41 sq. miles  
POPULATION (2000): 22,601  
POPULATION RANK: 77 out of 100 counties  
POPULATION DENSITY: 63.98 per sq. mile

Hertford was formed in 1759 from Chowan, Bertie and Northampton. It is named in honor of the nobleman Francis Seymour Conway, Earl of Hertford. He was brother of General Conway, a distinguished British soldier and Member of Parliament, who favored the repeal of the Stamp Act. Hertford County is home for many historic buildings. The historic district of Murfreesboro is one of the main attractions of the county. The district, which was incorporated in 1787, offers a wide variety of early American architecture. Murfreesboro is also the site of The Watermelon Festival. This July festival is North Carolina's largest agricultural parade. People from far and wide come to enjoy the festivities as well as the complimentary slices of melon.



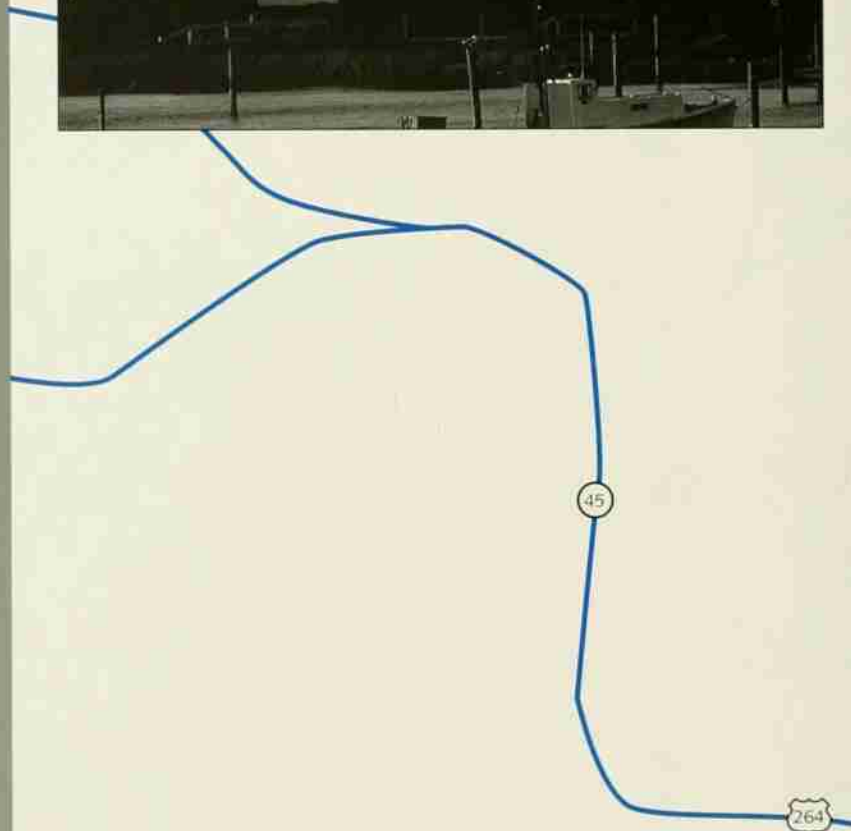
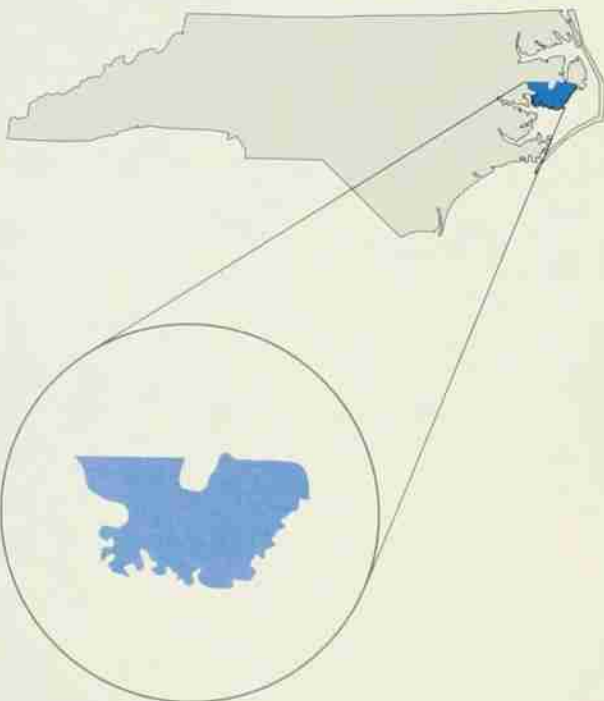
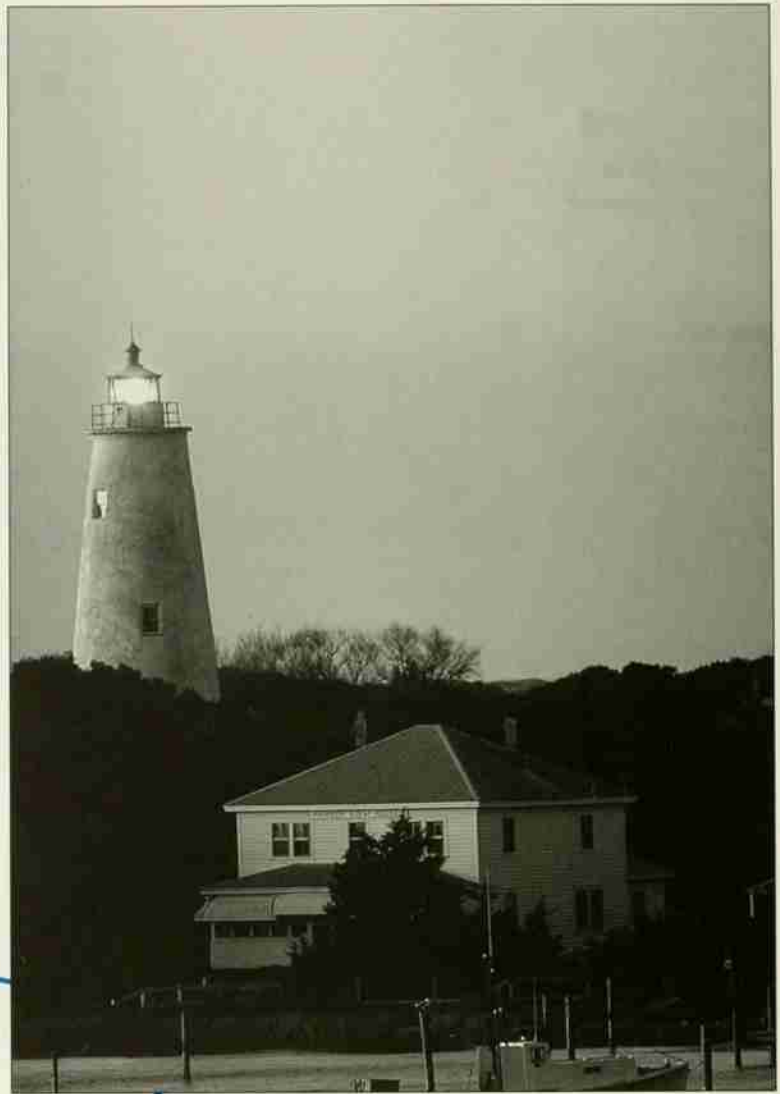


# HYDE COUNTY



COUNTY SEAT: Swan Quarter  
ELEVATION: 10 ft. above sea level  
LARGEST CITY: Swan Quarter  
TOTAL AREA: 1378.13 sq. miles  
POPULATION (2000): 5,826  
POPULATION RANK: 99 out of 100 counties  
POPULATION DENSITY: 9.51 per sq. mile

Surrounded by the Pamlico Sound and the Alligator and Pungo Rivers, Hyde County is known as "the land of many waters". It is home not only to the Intercoastal Waterway, but also to North Carolina's largest natural lake, Lake Mattamuskeet. Ocracoke Island, once home to the pirate Blackbeard and now a tourist attraction, is accessible only by air or water. With four national wildlife refuges, the county is a haven for nature study, bird watching, hunting, fishing, and pursuing a quieter way of life. The county seat of Swan Quarter and other communities such as Fairfield, Sladesville, and the quaint village of Ocracoke lay claim to the fact that there is not one stoplight in the entire county! Many celebrate the return of thousands of swans and other waterfowl to Lake Muskameet at the Swan Days Festival held in early December.









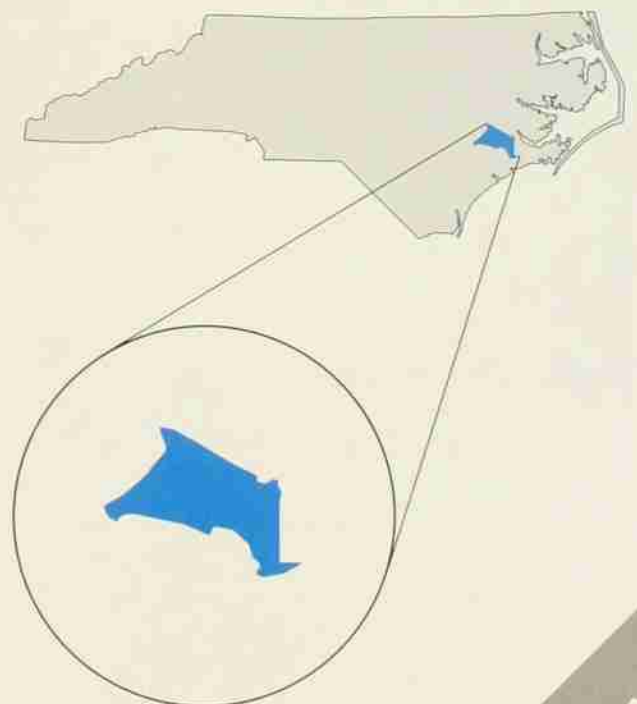


# JONES COUNTY



COUNTY SEAT: Trenton  
ELEVATION: 28 ft. above sea level  
LARGEST CITY: Maysville  
TOTAL AREA: 473.93 sq. miles  
POPULATION (2000): 10,381  
POPULATION RANK: 95 out of 100 counties  
POPULATION DENSITY: 22 per sq. mile

Jones was formed in 1779 from Craven. It is named in honor of Willie Jones of Halifax who was one of the leaders of the Revolution, president of the Council of Safety and an opponent of the adoption of the Constitution of the United States. It was due chiefly to his influence that the Convention of 1788 refused to ratify the Federal Constitution. Jones County is home to the Foscue Plantation House. This house, which was built in 1803, served as a plantation in the days before the Civil War. After the start of the Civil War, it served as a hospital for northern troops. Many attraction seekers find the Croatan National Forest a great place to visit in Jones County. The forest covers 155,000 acres of land and has an abundance of deer, bear, and wild turkeys.

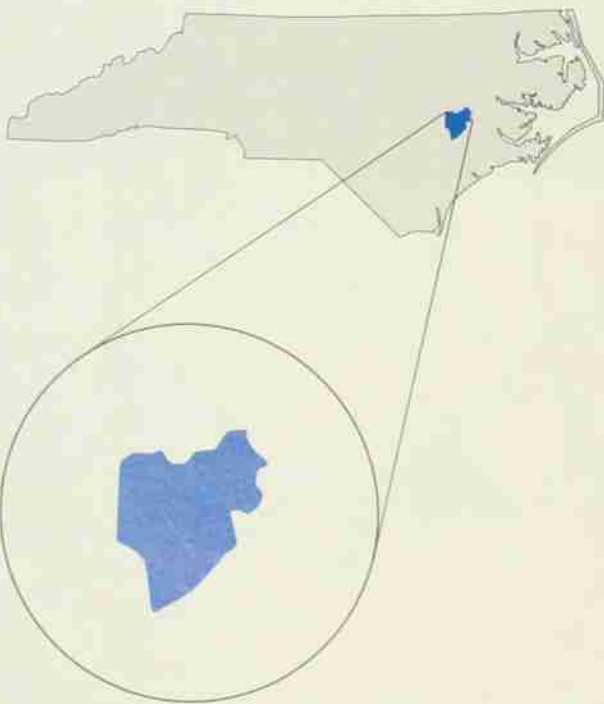
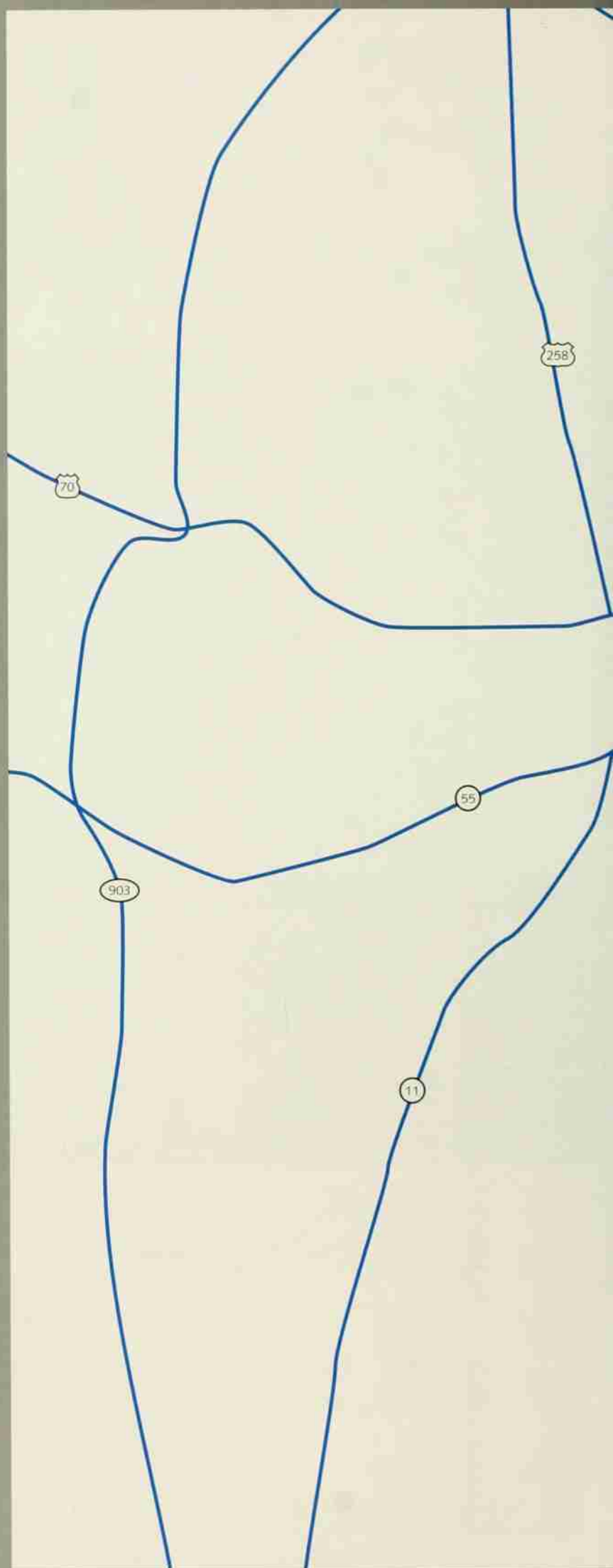


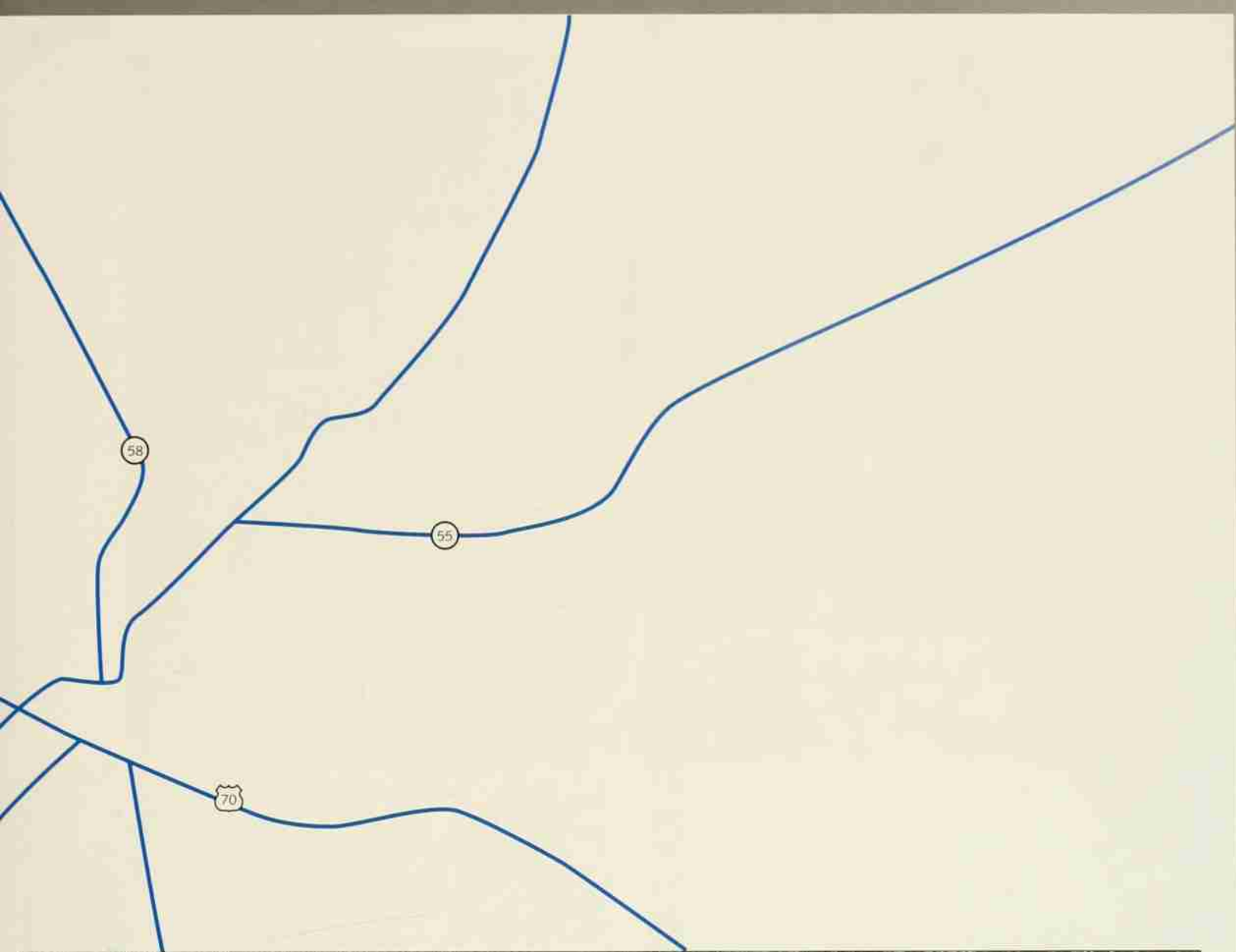
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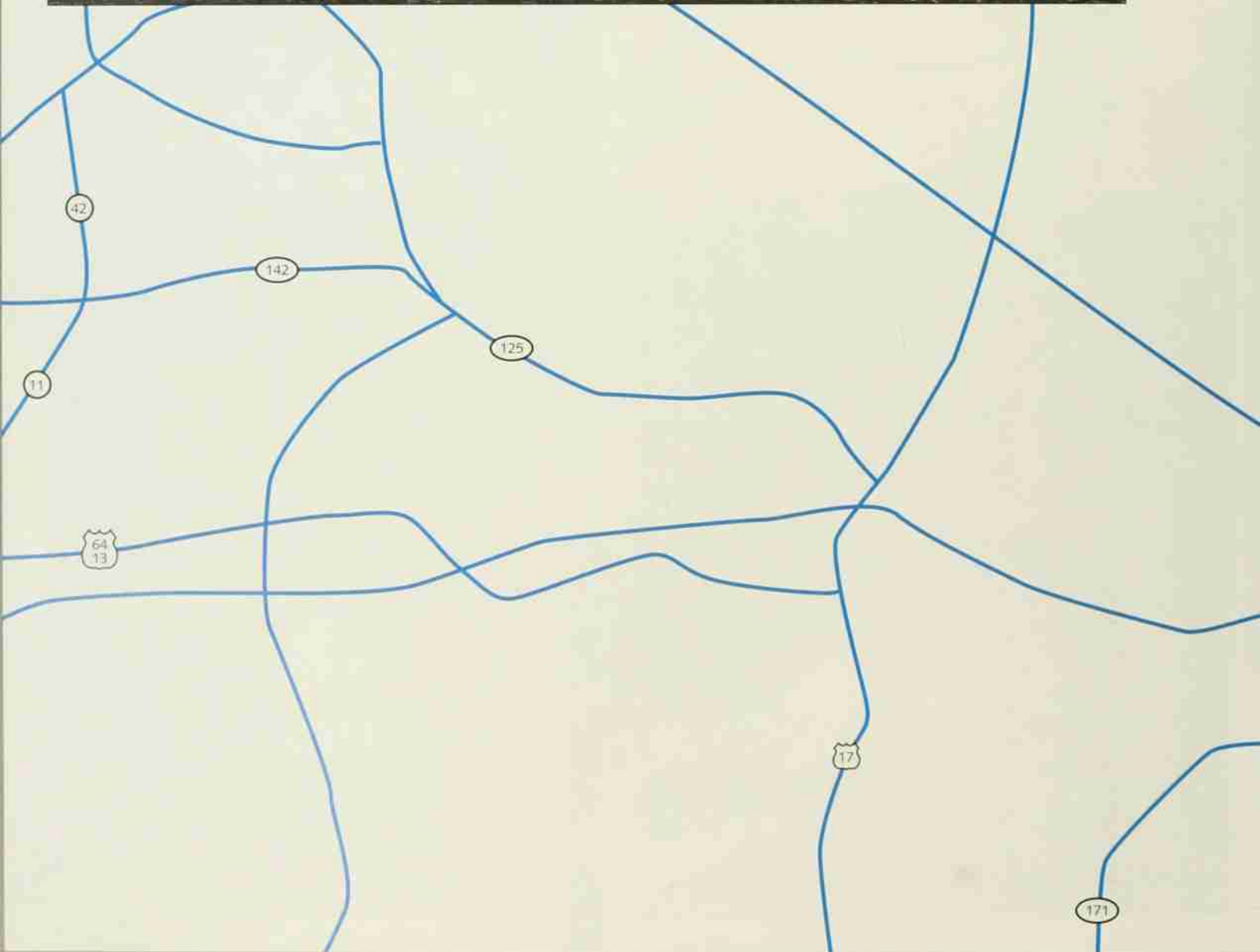
COUNTY SEAT: Kinston  
ELEVATION: 44 ft. above sea level  
LARGEST CITY: Kinston  
TOTAL AREA: 401.96 sq. miles  
POPULATION (2000): 59,648  
POPULATION RANK: 40 OUT OF 100 COUNTIES  
POPULATION DENSITY: 149.18 per sq. mile

Lenoir was formed in 1791 from Dobbs. It is named in honor of William Lenoir, one of the heroes of Kings Mountain. When Kinston was established in 1762 it was in Dobbs County. It was made the county seat of Dobbs in 1764, and when Lenoir was established in 1791, Kinston became its county seat. There are many historical sites to visit in Lenoir County. Two of the most popular attractions are the Atlantic and North Carolina Railroad Freight Depot, which was built in 1900, and the Herring House, which is located in the city of LaGrange. Kinston is also the site of the largest festival in Lenoir County. Every May the Festival on the Neuse is held. Festivities include live music, cow patty squares and a duck race.







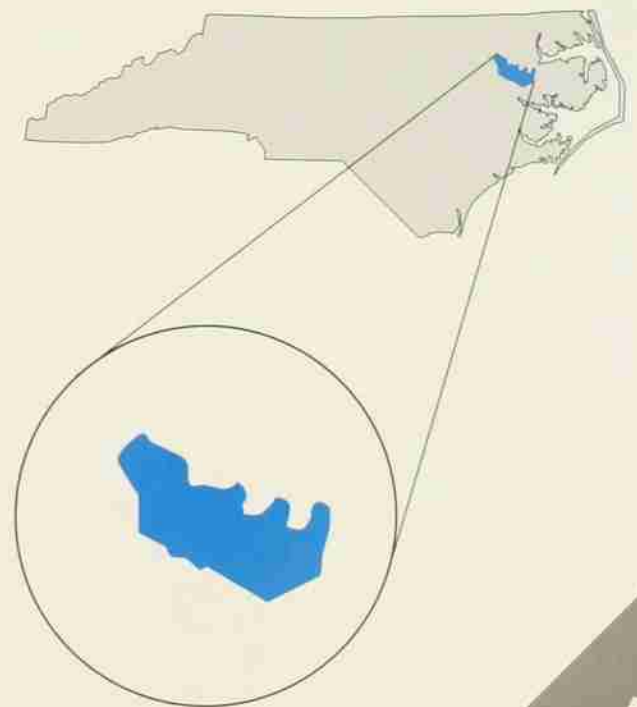


# MARTIN COUNTY



COUNTY SEAT: Williamston  
ELEVATION: 60 ft. above sea level  
LARGEST CITY: Williamston  
TOTAL AREA: 462.44 sq. miles  
POPULATION (2000): 25,593  
POPULATION RANK: 72 out of 100 counties  
POPULATION DENSITY: 55.5 per sq. mile

Martin was formed in 1774 from Halifax and Tyrrell. It is named in honor of Josiah Martin, the last Royal Governor of North Carolina. It is probable that this county's name would have been changed like those of Dobbs and Tryon but for the popularity of Alexander Martin, who was governor, 1782-1785 and 1789-1792. Martin County is home to the Morningstar Nature Refuge. This refuge boasts of 250 different species of birds and offers nature tours by resident naturalist guides. Martin County is also home to a primitive Baptist church in Robersonville, St. James Place, which is one of the oldest churches in the state, now serves as a museum of southern folk art. There are also some very interesting events that take place annually in this county. The Fort Branch Battle re-enactment, held every November, is one of the oldest and largest Civil War battle reenactments. Fort Branch is also the site of a Christmas battle re-enactment.



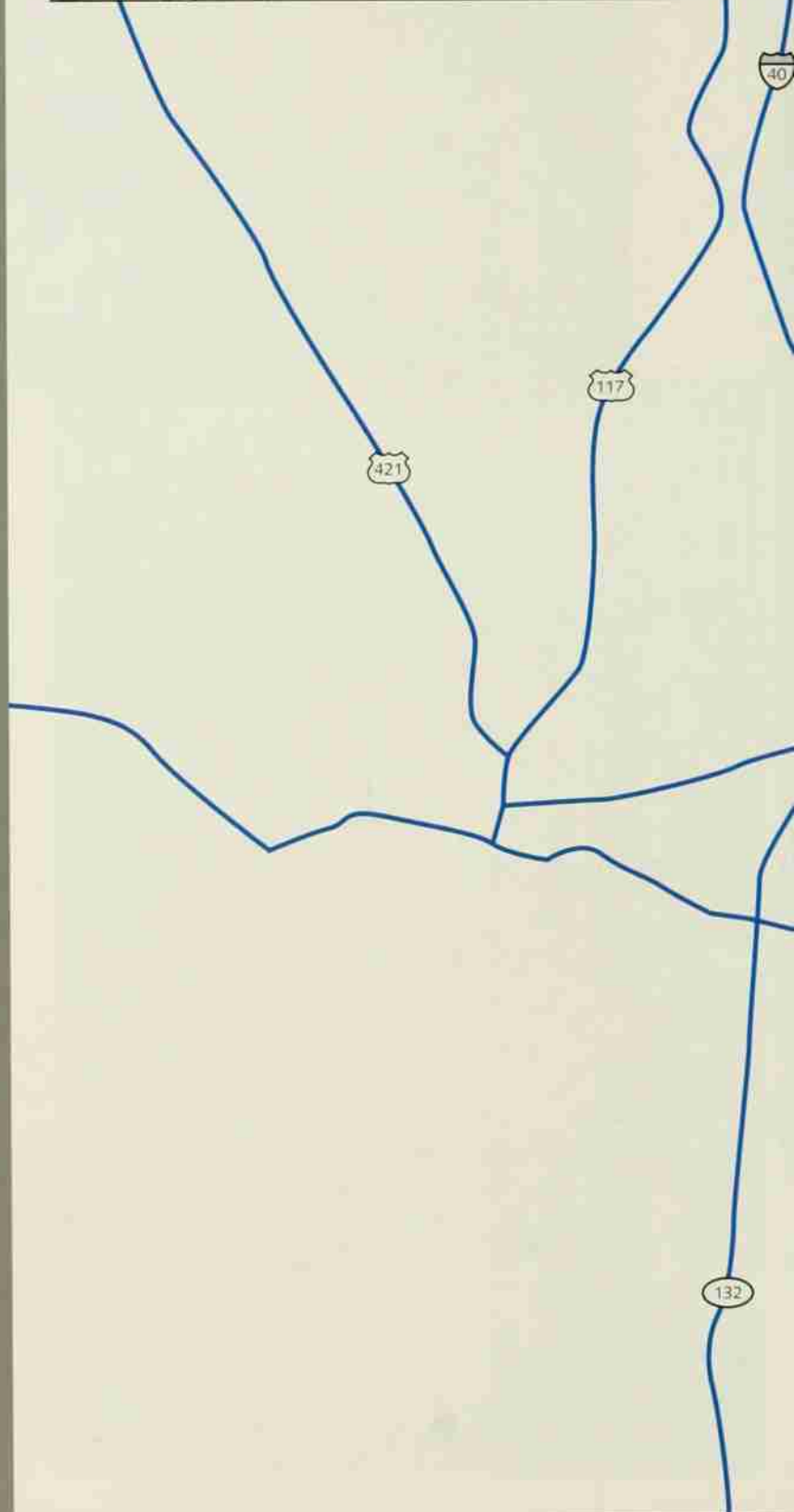


# NEW HANOVER COUNTY



COUNTY SEAT: Wilmington  
ELEVATION: 38 ft. above sea level  
LARGEST CITY: Wilmington  
TOTAL AREA: 219.58 sq. miles  
POPULATION (2000): 160,307  
POPULATION RANK: 9 out of 100 counties  
POPULATION DENSITY: 865.83 per sq. mile

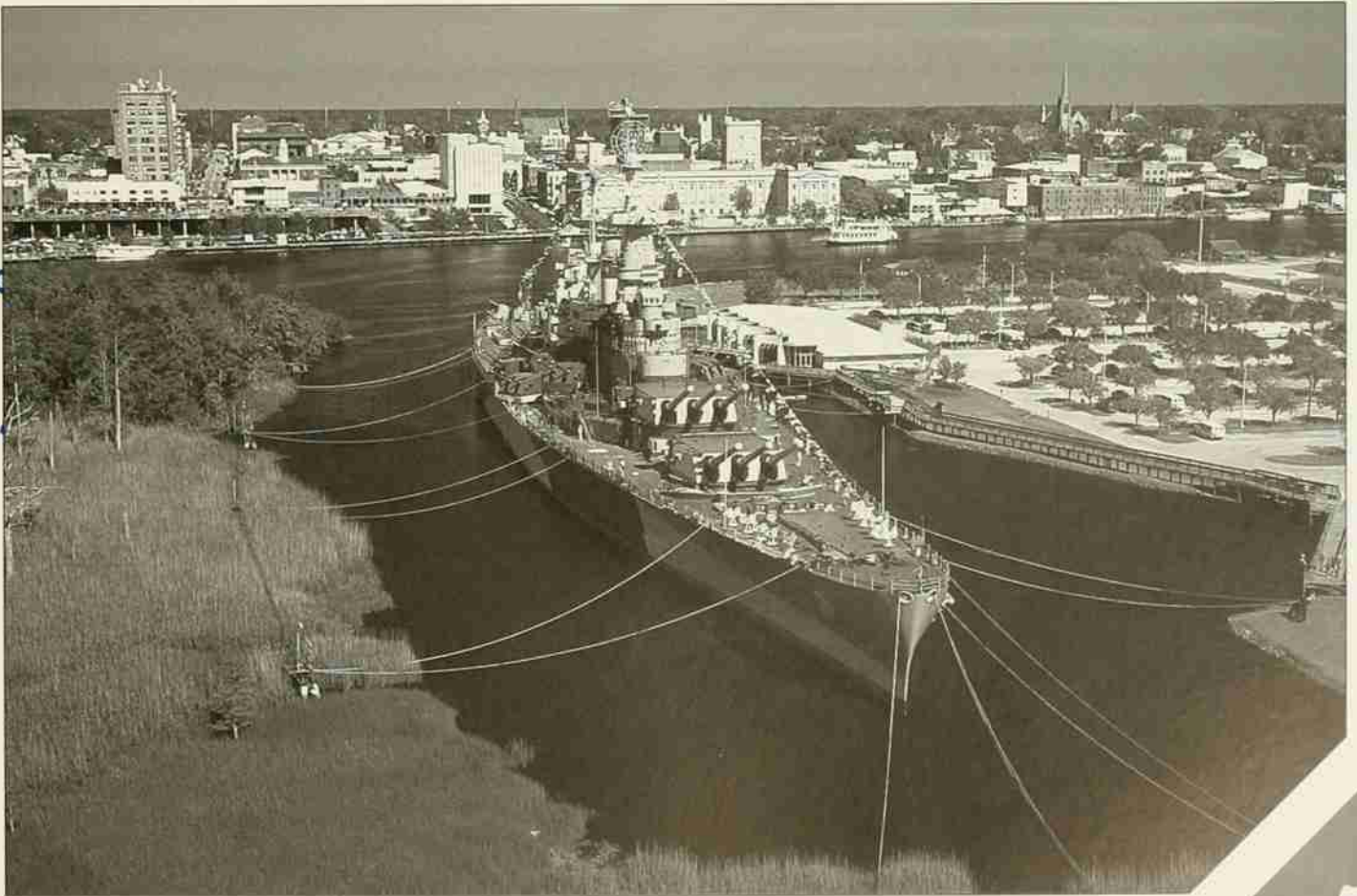
New Hanover was formed in 1729 from Craven. It is named in honor of the royal family of England, members of the House of Hanover. New Town or Newton was its first county seat. It was changed to Wilmington in 1739. Wilmington is also the home of the Wilmington Railroad Museum. The building, for more than a century, served as the depot for railroading the city. The museum is now dedicated to preserving the history of the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad. Wilmington is also the site for one of the largest festivals in North Carolina. The Azalea Festival is held every April and offers concerts, a circus, live music, and food. The Azalea festival encourages civic participation and promotes Wilmington's river-to-the-sea community.



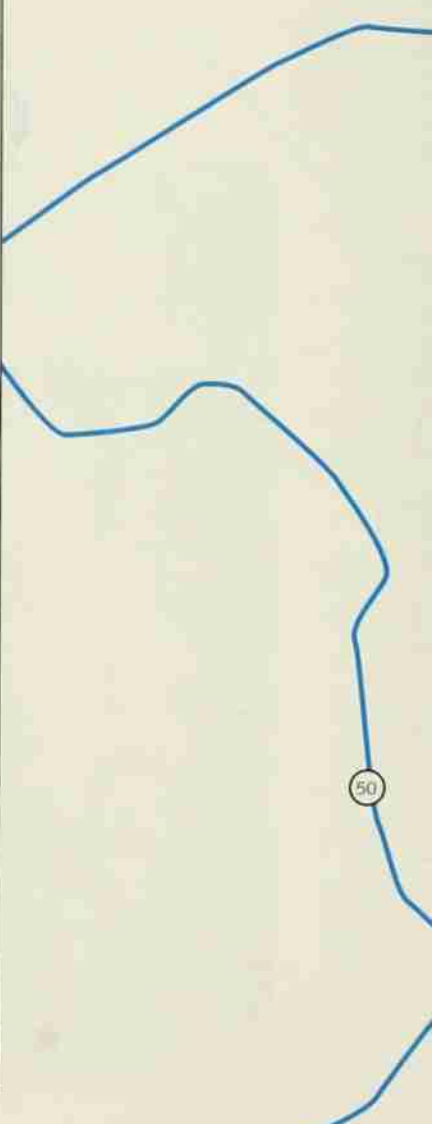
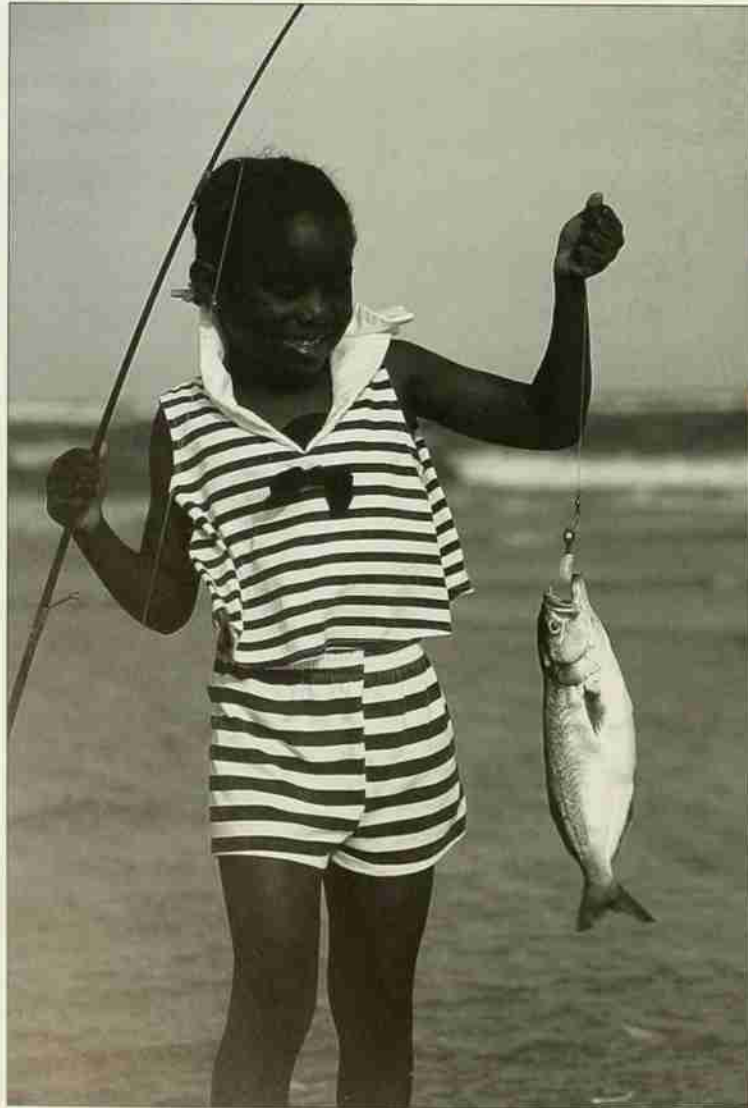
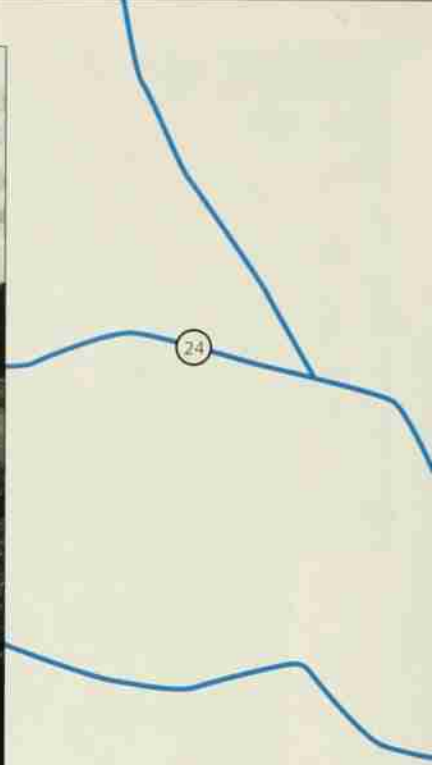




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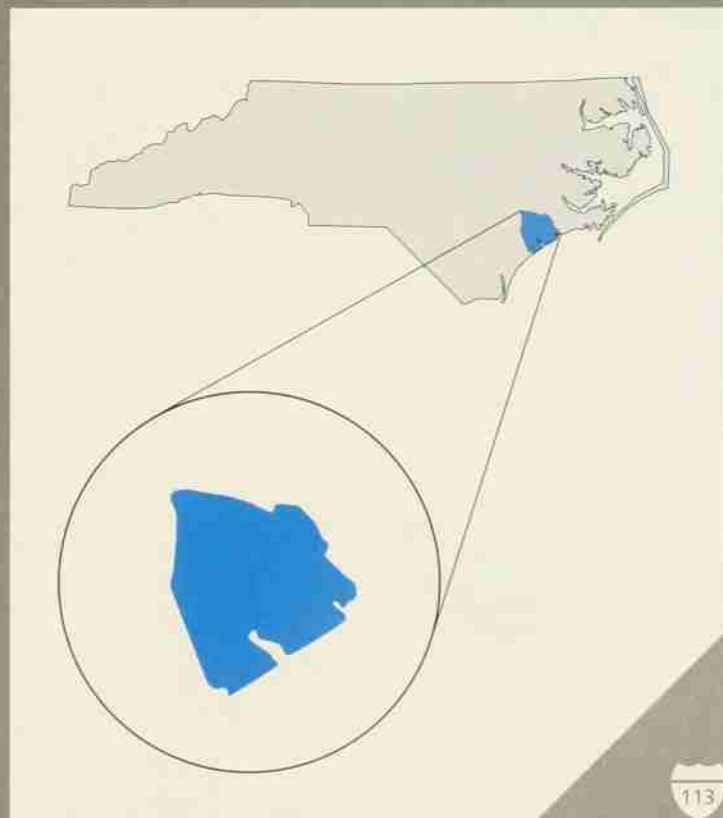
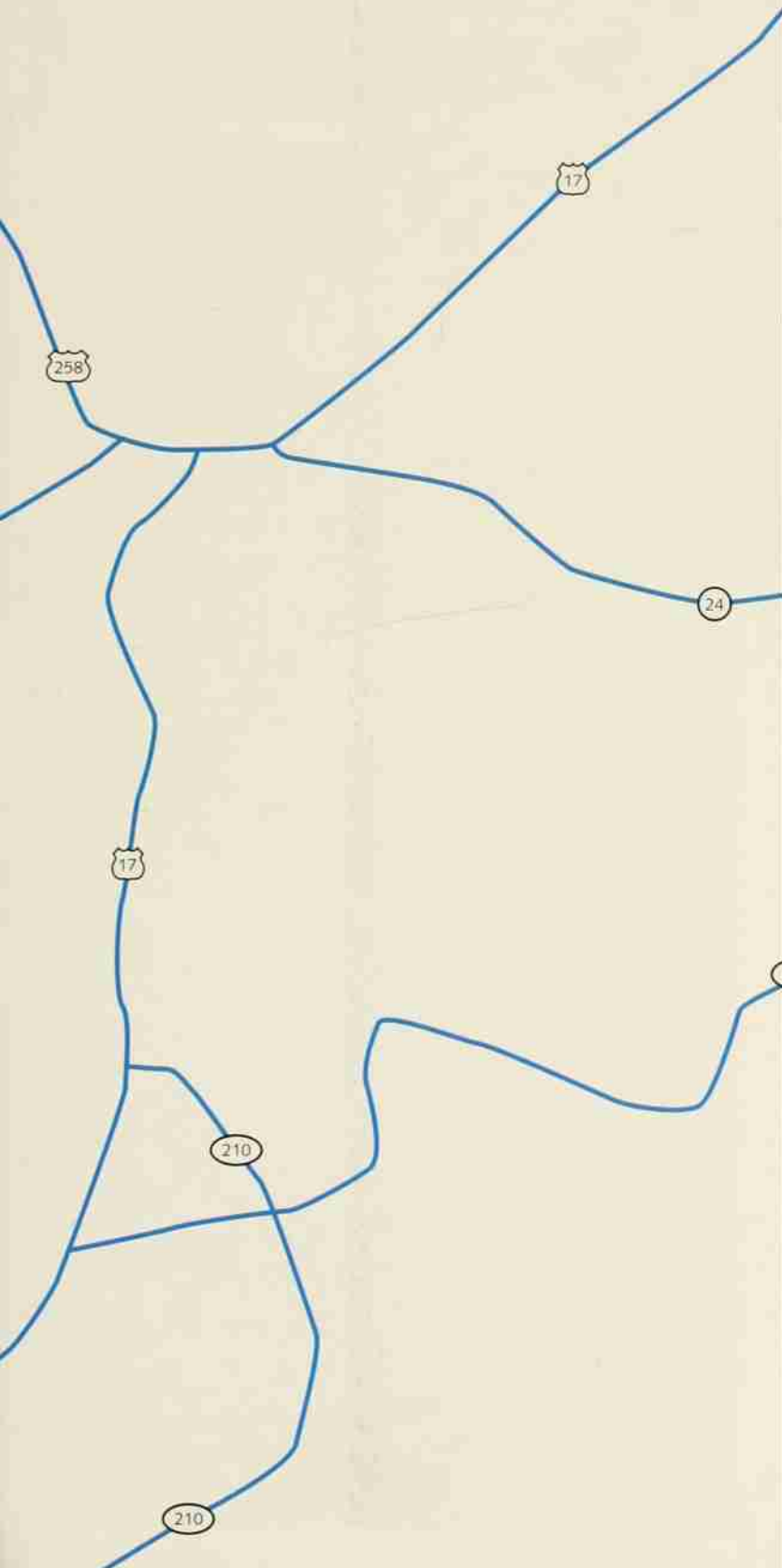


# ONSLOW COUNTY



COUNTY SEAT: Jacksonville  
ELEVATION: 23 ft. above sea level  
LARGEST CITY: Jacksonville  
TOTAL AREA: 819.44 sq. miles  
POPULATION (2000): 150,355  
POPULATION RANK: 10 OUT OF 100 COUNTIES  
POPULATION DENSITY: 196.08 per sq. mile

Onslow was formed in 1731 from New Hanover. It is named in honor of Arthur Onslow, who for more than thirty years was speaker of the House of Commons in the British Parliament. Onslow County is also home of Camp Lejeune. This military training camp covers 150,000 acres and provides a stable economic force. Many fans of NASCAR flock to the Coastal Plains Raceway to watch some of their favorite drivers race. Onslow County also offers many festivals and celebrations during the year. In March the Seafood Festival is held in Jacksonville. The county also hosts the North Carolina Blackbeard Fest and the Freedom Festival every July.



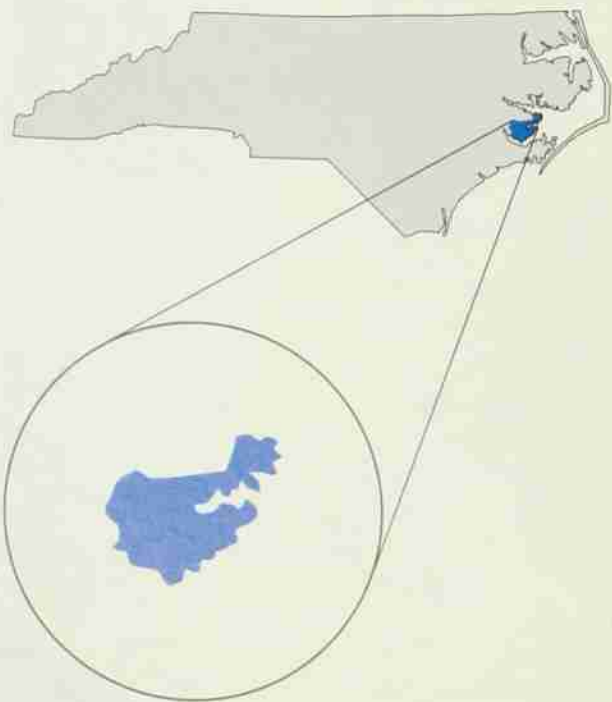


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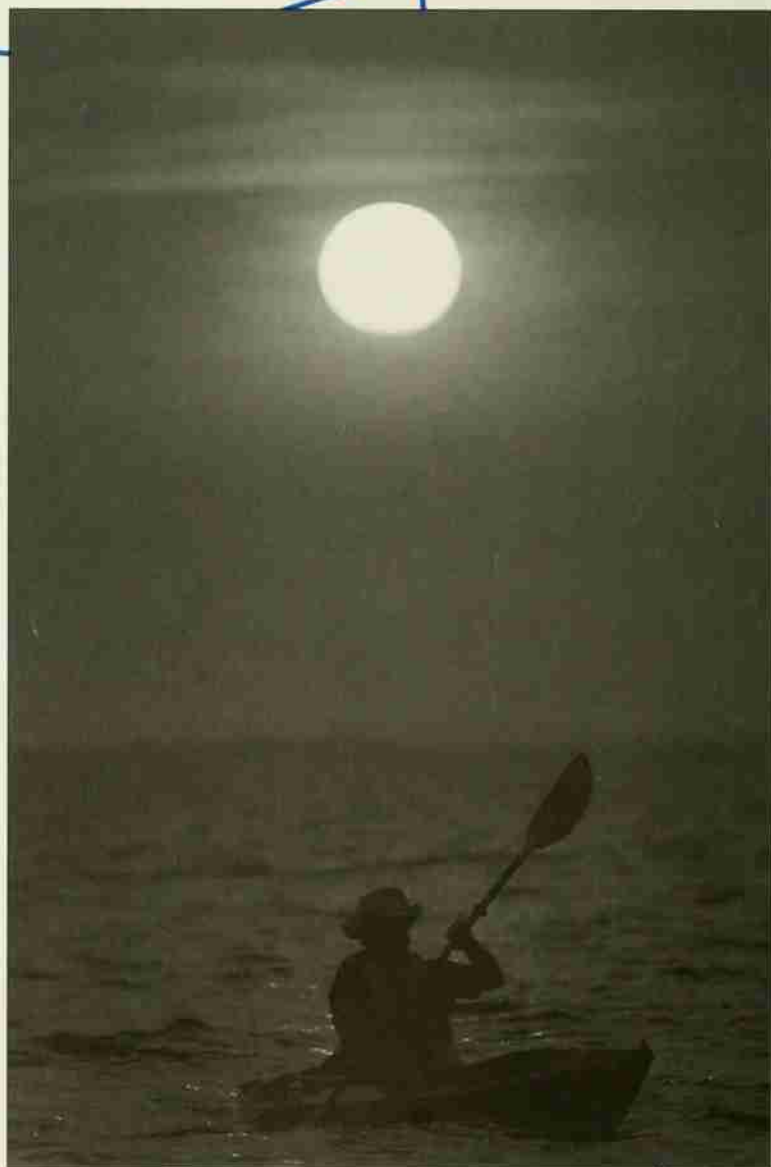


COUNTY SEAT: Bayboro  
ELEVATION: 13 ft. above sea level  
LARGEST CITY: Oriental  
TOTAL AREA: 561.61 sq. miles  
POPULATION (2000): 12,934  
POPULATION RANK: 91 OUT OF 100 COUNTIES  
POPULATION DENSITY: 38.39 per sq. mile

Pamlico was formed in 1872 from Craven and Beaufort. It is named after the sound of the same name. Pamlico was the name of an Indian tribe in Eastern North Carolina. There was a Pamptecough Precinct in North Carolina as early as 1705, but it was changed to Beaufort about 1712. This area is home to one of the most beautiful historical houses in the state. China Grove, in Oriental, was built in the 1800s and serves as one the most popular tourist sites in the area. Oriental also hosts the Croaker Festival every July. At this festival there is a parade, live music, rides for the children, and food for all.



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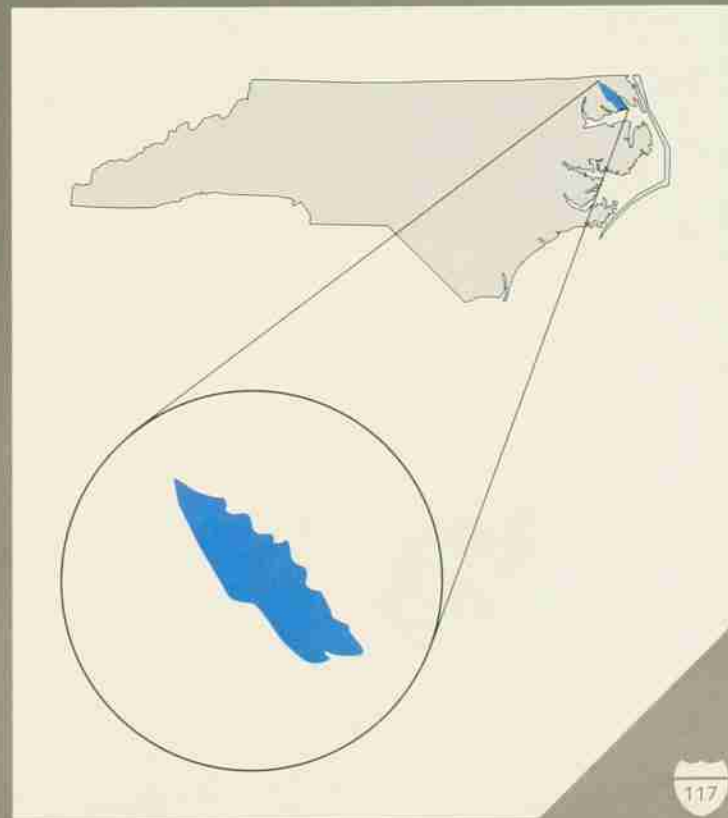


# PASQUOTANK COUNTY



COUNTY SEAT: Elizabeth City  
ELEVATION: 12 ft. above sea level  
LARGEST CITY: Elizabeth City  
TOTAL AREA: 289.18 sq. miles  
POPULATION (2000): 34,897  
POPULATION RANK: 62 out of 100 counties  
POPULATION DENSITY: 153.82 per sq. mile

Pasquotank was formed as early as 1668 as a precinct of Albemarle County. Its name is derived from an Indian word pasketanki which meant "where the current of the stream divides or forks." From 1785 to 1800, Nixonton was the county seat. Then, Elizabeth (City) Town is named the county seat. Elizabeth City was first called Redding, which was established in 1793. Redding was changed to Elizabeth Town in 1794, and Elizabeth Town was changed to Elizabeth City in 1801. The county offers many historical places of interest. Attractions include the Norfolk Southern Passenger Station, which was built in the 1900s. Saw Mill Park is also an area favorite. This beautiful wooded area offers a boardwalk for fishing, access to Pasquotank River, and areas for picnics in the park.

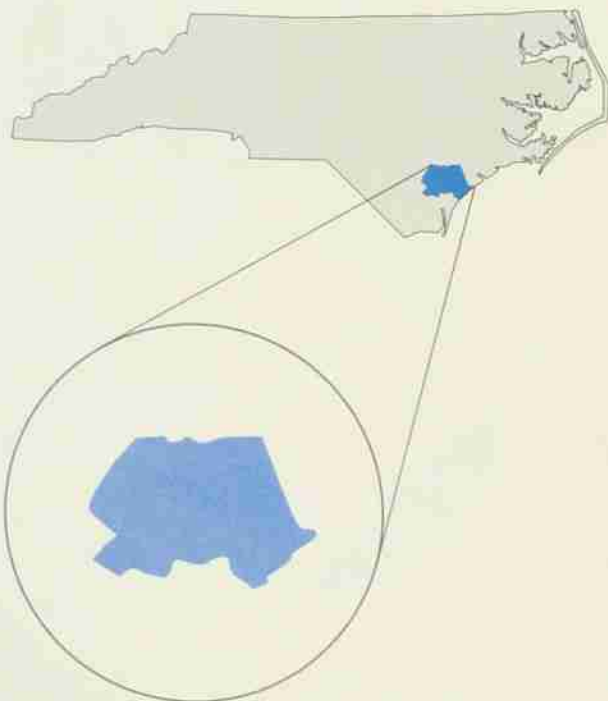


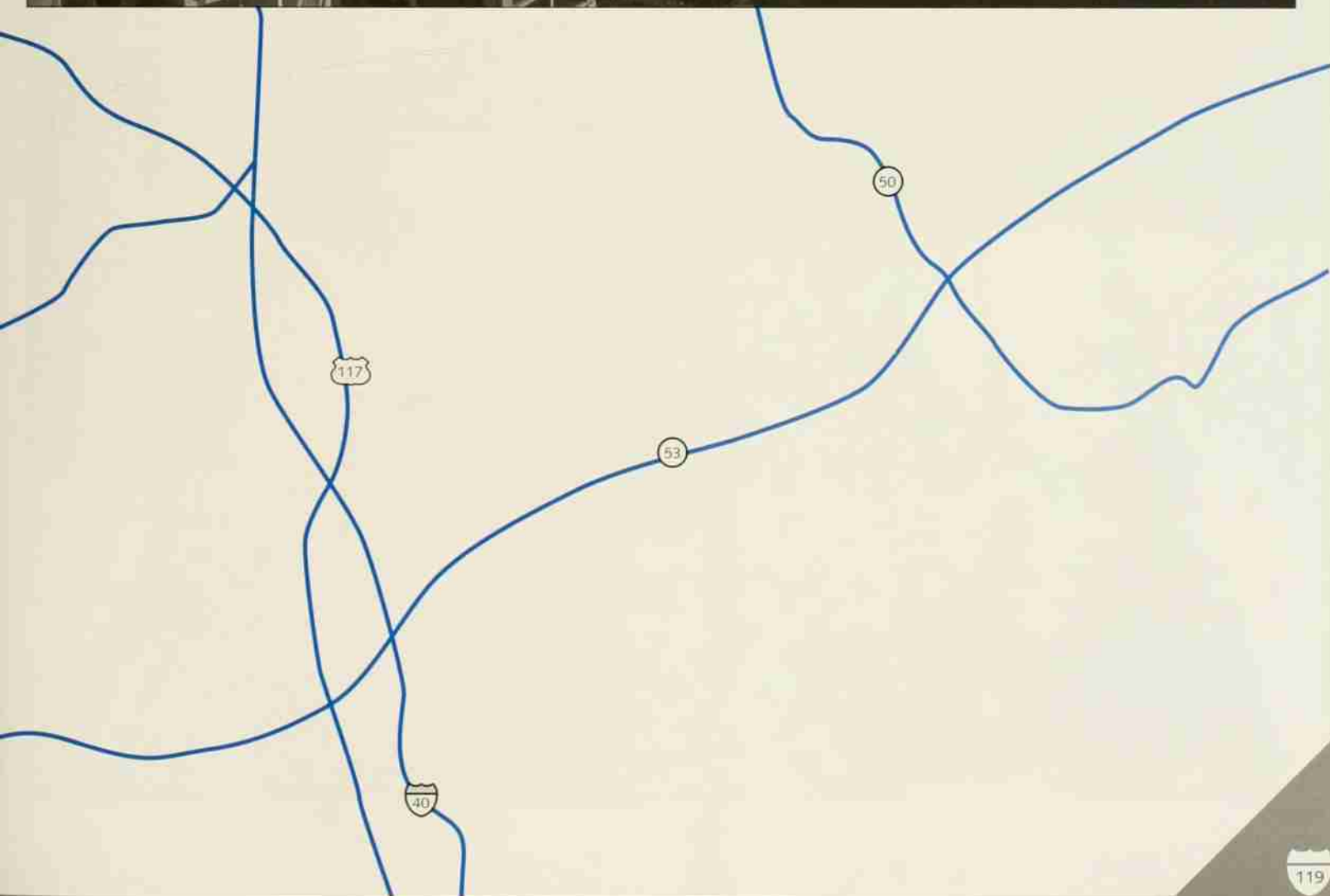
# PENDER COUNTY



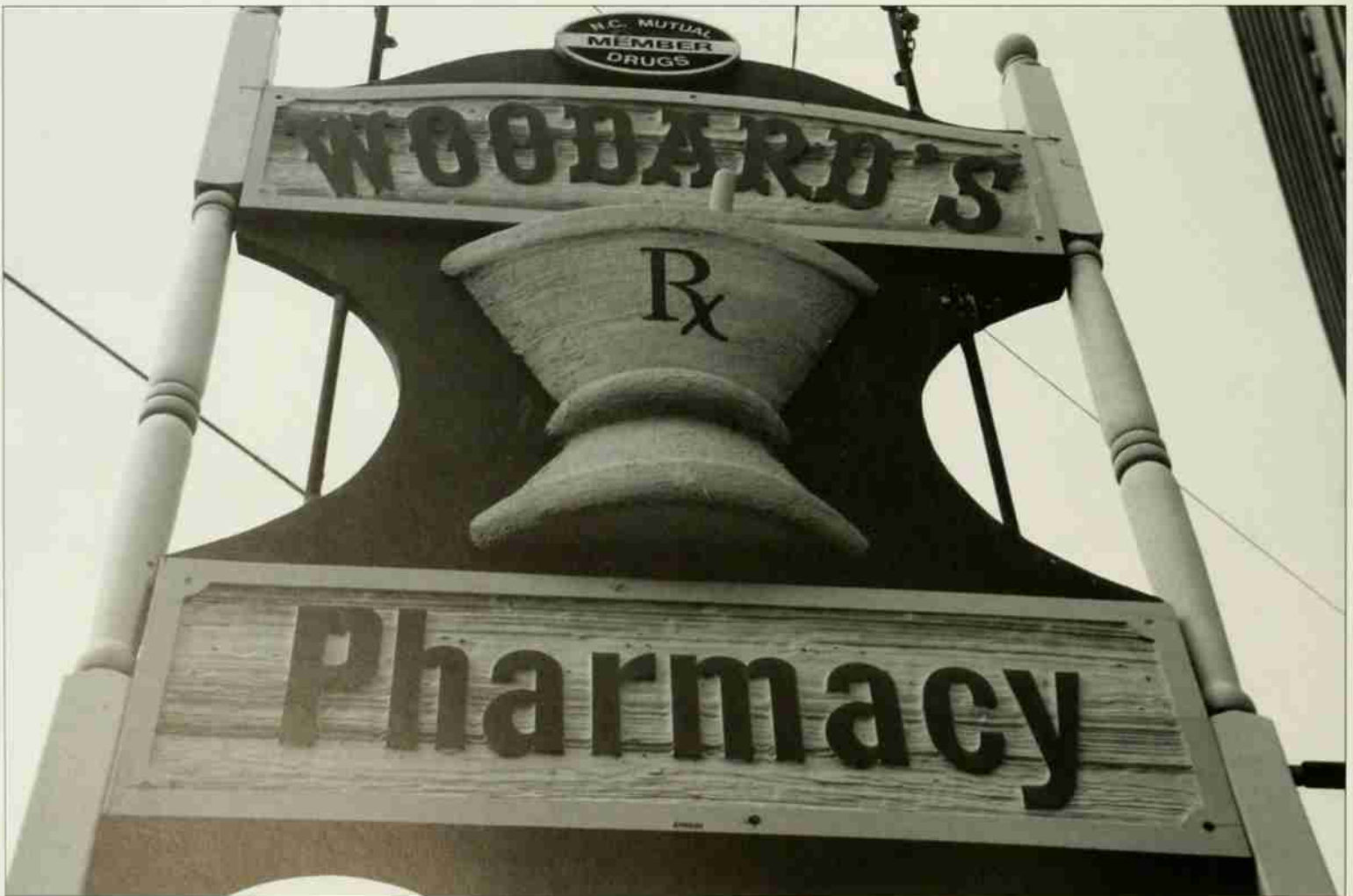
COUNTY SEAT: Burgaw  
ELEVATION: 49 ft. above sea level  
LARGEST CITY: Burgaw  
TOTAL AREA: 880.35 sq. miles  
POPULATION (2000): 41,082  
POPULATION RANK: 58 out of 100 counties  
POPULATION DENSITY: 47.18 per sq. miles

Pender was formed in 1875 from New Hanover. It is named in honor of General William D. Pender of Edgecombe, a Confederate soldier who was killed at the battle of Gettysburg. This nautical area is home to many historical sites. Popular Grove Plantation is a completely restored home and grounds with historical presentations, classes, and special events throughout the year. Those who have interest the local history might find the Pender County Historical Society Museum and Railroad Depot interesting. This museum, located in Burgaw, preserves the history through documents and artifacts. The depot is the oldest surviving depot in North Carolina. Pender County also has many annual festivals, including Autumn with Topsail at Topsail Beach and The Pender County Spring Fest.







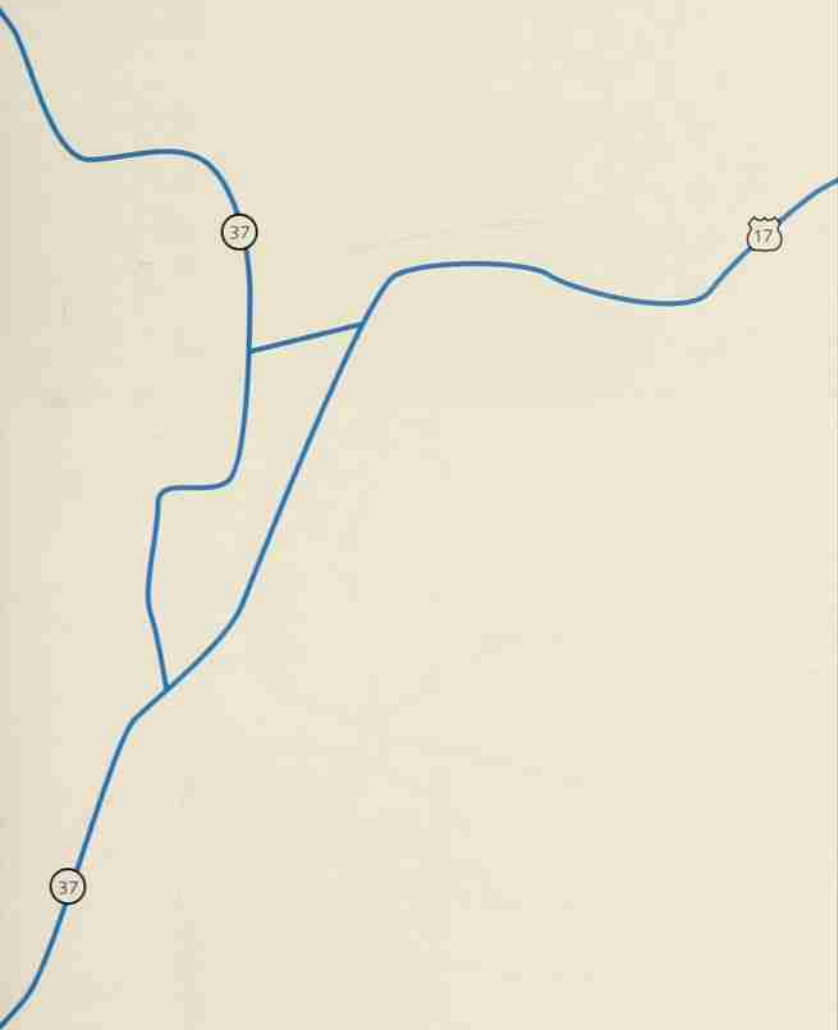


# PERQUIMANS COUNTY



COUNTY SEAT: Hertford  
ELEVATION: 15 ft. above sea level  
LARGEST CITY: Hertford  
TOTAL AREA: 328.95 sq. miles  
POPULATION (2000): 11,368  
POPULATION RANK: 92 out of 100 counties  
POPULATION DENSITY: 45.99 per sq. mile

Perquimans was formed as early as 1668 as a precinct of Albemarle County. It is named in honor of an Indian tribe. Perquimans boasts one of the most unique tourists attractions in North Carolina. The "S" bridge located in Hertford is thought to be the only one of its kind and built in 1923, it is a local favorite. The Newbold-White house, built in 1730 by Abraham Sanders, is one of the oldest brick houses in North Carolina. This historical site is open for tours throughout the year. The Hearth and Harvest Festival, held every September, is one of the most popular festivals in this area. Attendees to this affair find crafts, games, and music from the 18th century

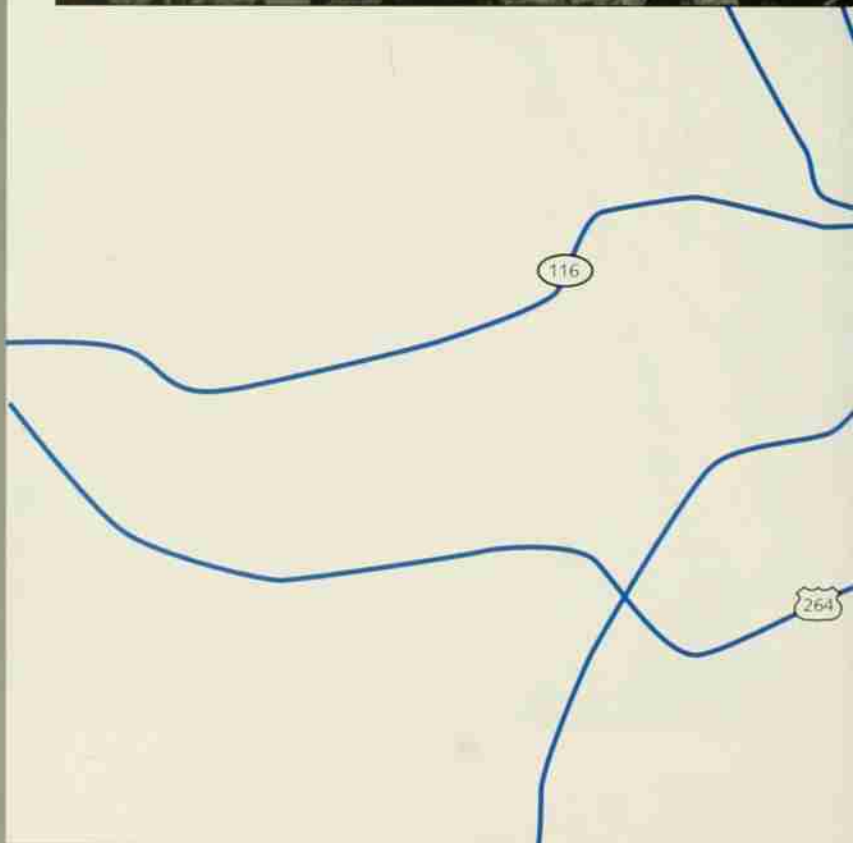
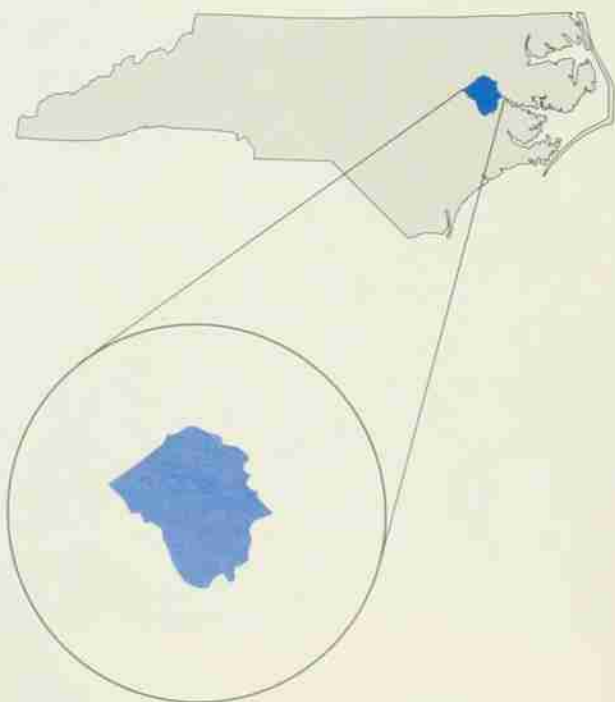
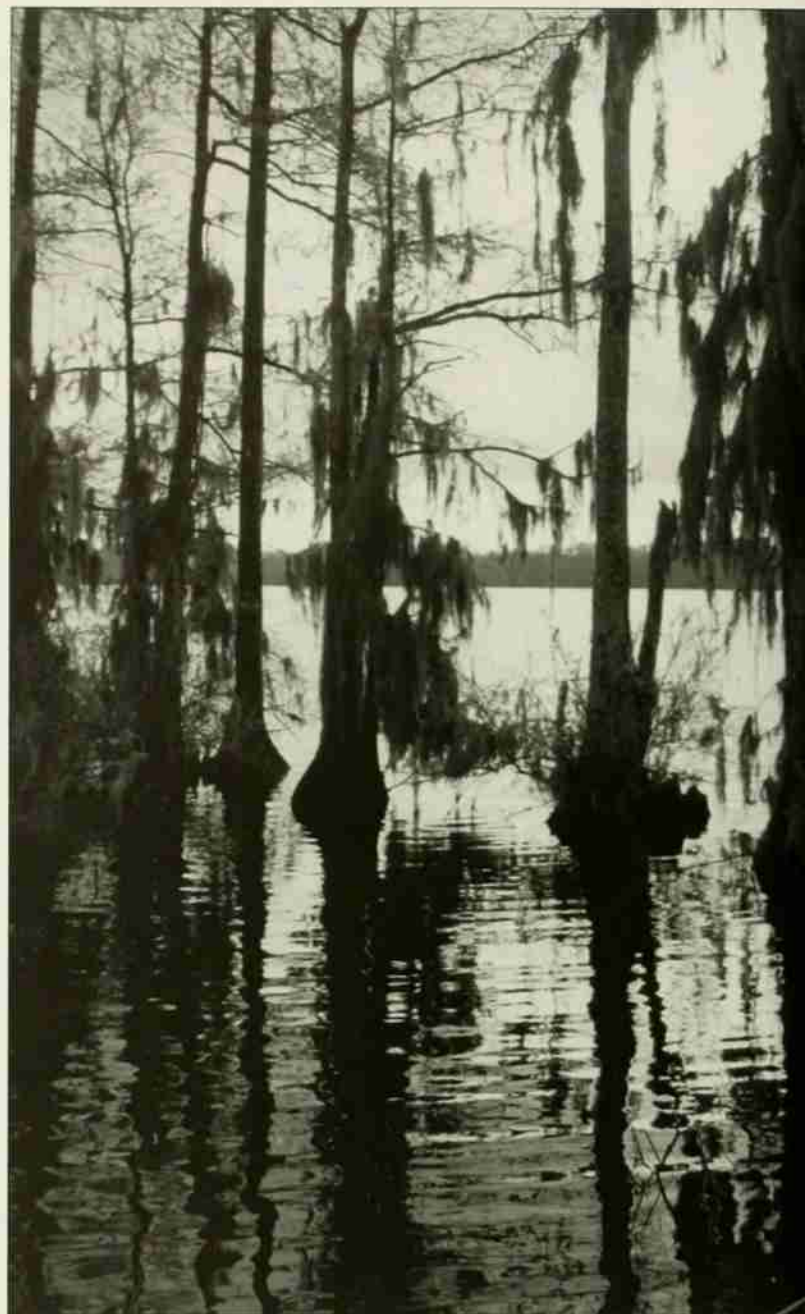


# PITT COUNTY

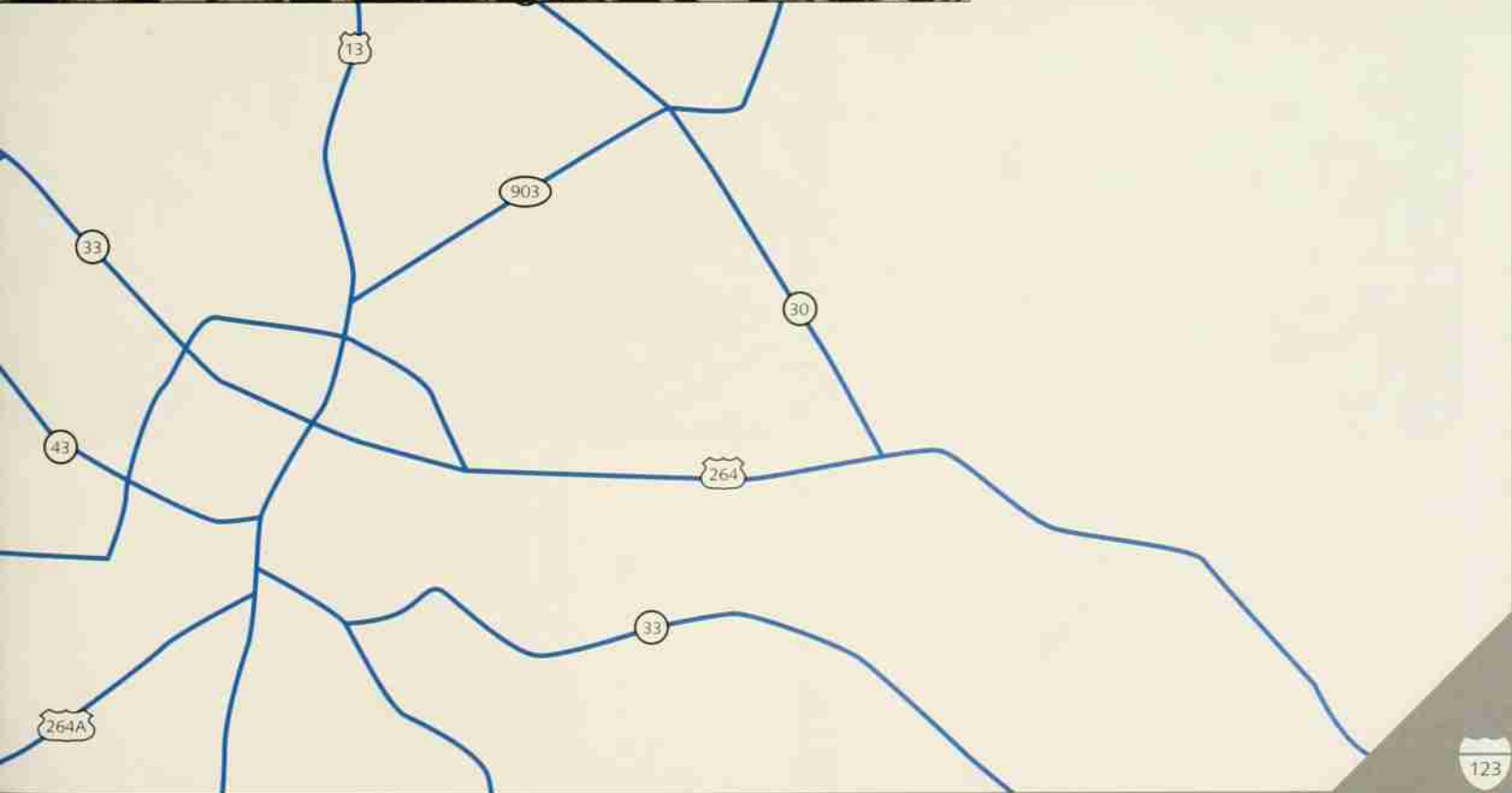


COUNTY SEAT: Greenville  
ELEVATION: 64 ft. above sea level  
LARGEST CITY: Greenville  
TOTAL AREA: 654.78 sq. miles  
POPULATION (2000): 133,798  
POPULATION RANK: 13 out of 100 counties  
POPULATION DENSITY: 205.34 per sq. mile

Pitt was formed in 1761 from Beaufort. Pitt County is named for William Pitt, Secretary of State in England whose vigorous war policies resulted in the British defeat of the French in America. Chatham County is also named in honor of William Pitt. Pitt County is home to East Carolina University as well as The East Carolina Village of Yesteryear. This museum depicts life in Pitt County from 1840 to 1940. Also of interest to tourists is the Ledonia Wright African American Cultural Center. This gallery is home to a 150-piece art collection made by the Kuba tribe of Zaire. Many Pitt County residents look forward every April to the Farmville Dogwood Festival. This festival provides old-fashioned entertainment of all kinds for its attendants.







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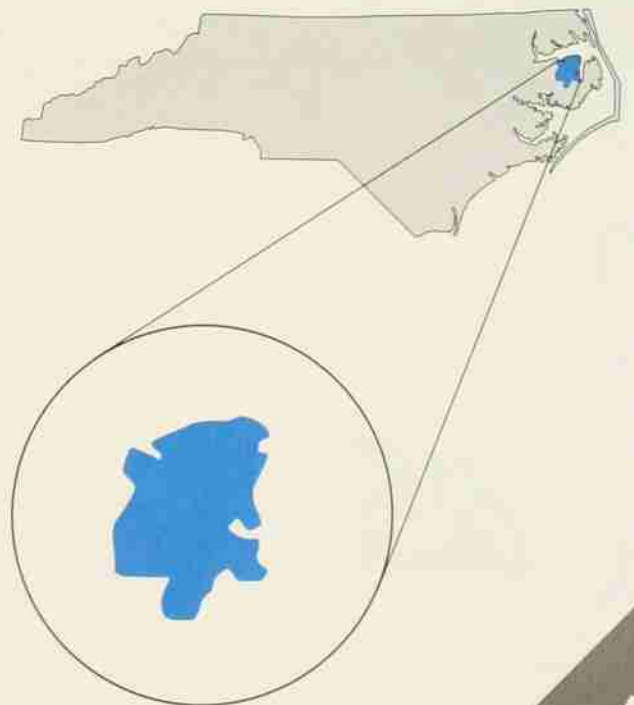


# TYRRELL COUNTY



COUNTY SEAT: Columbia  
ELEVATION: 10 ft. above sea level  
LARGEST CITY: Columbia  
TOTAL AREA: 609.01 sq. miles  
POPULATION (2000): 4,149  
POPULATION RANK: 100 out of 100 counties  
POPULATION DENSITY: 10.64 per sq. mile

Tyrrell County was formed from Chowan, Bertie, Currituck, and Pasquotank counties in 1729. The county is named for Sir John Tyrrell, one of the Lords Proprietors of North Carolina. Tyrrell County's most notable attraction is the Alligator River National Wildlife Refuge. This safe haven for wildlife is one of the largest ones in the state. This refuge is very special because it is the habitat for many endangered species and other animals that are rare in the state such as alligators, bald eagles, and eastern cougars.



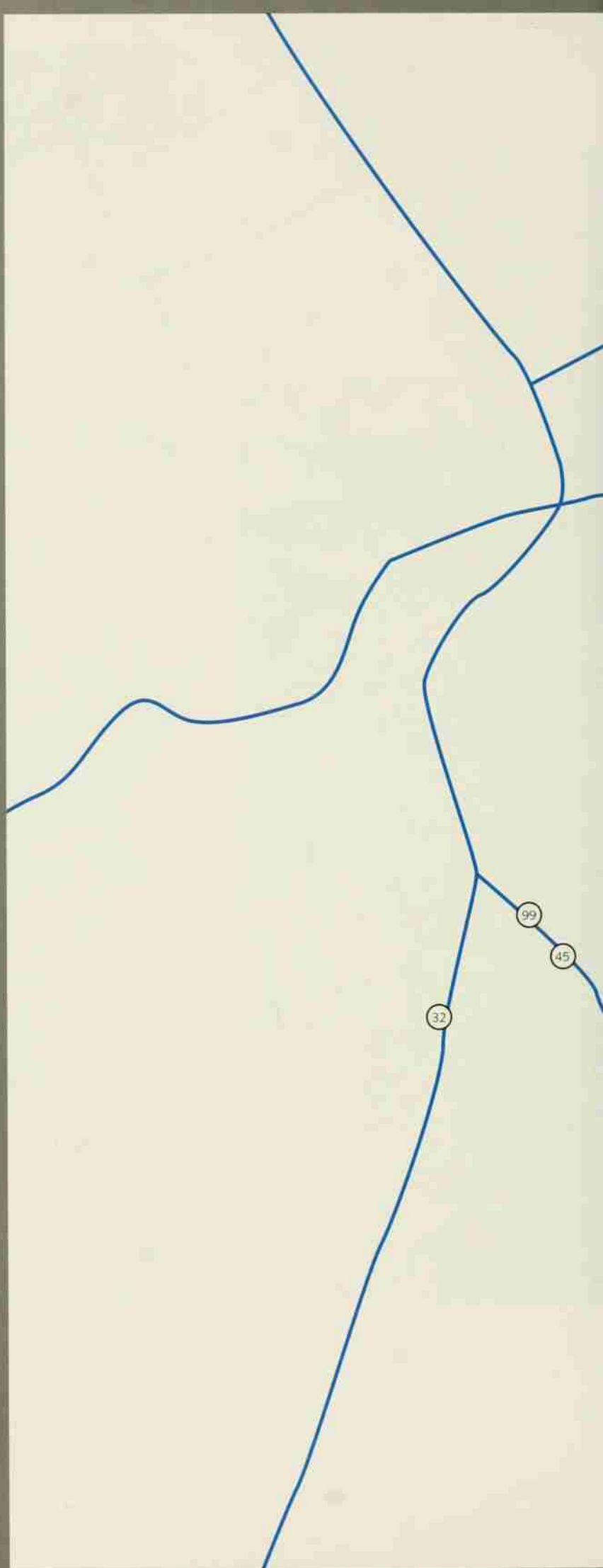
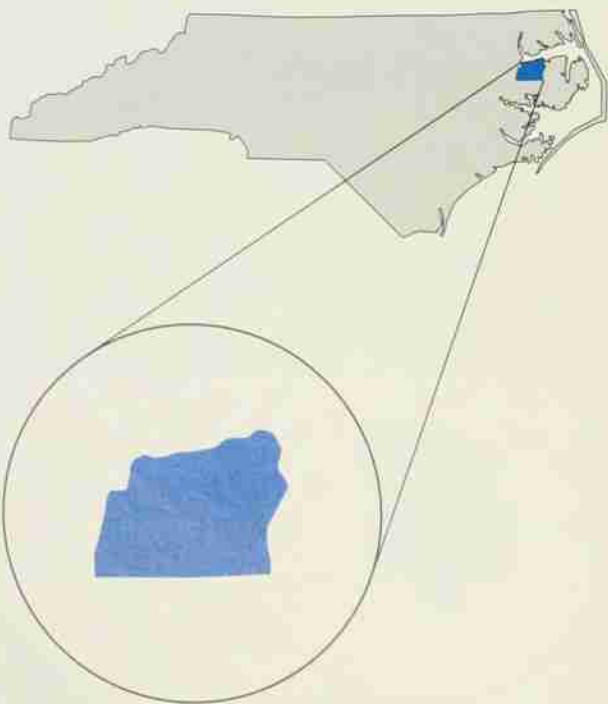


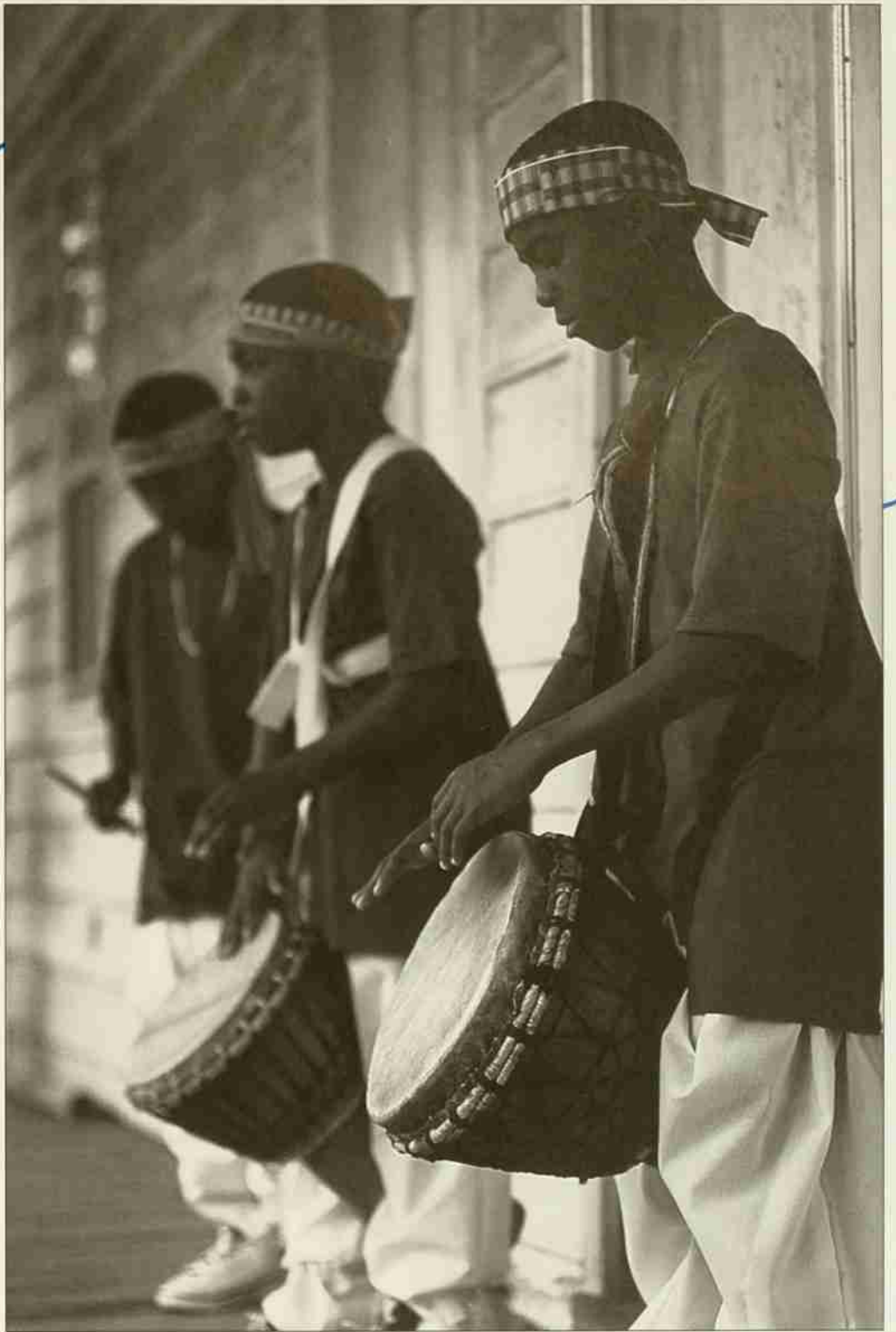
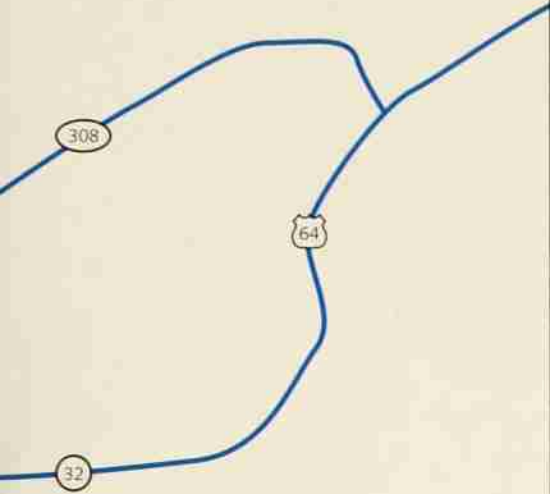
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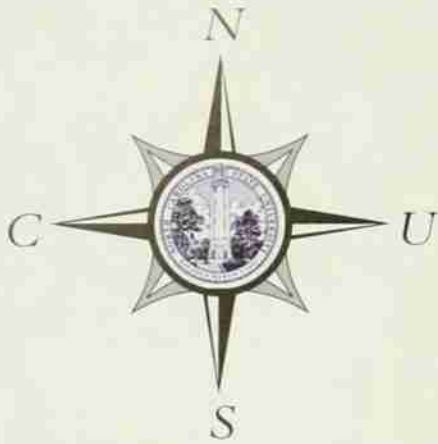
COUNTY SEAT: Plymouth  
ELEVATION: 21 ft. above sea level  
LARGEST CITY: Plymouth  
TOTAL AREA: 414.97 sq. miles  
POPULATION (2000): 13,723  
POPULATION RANK: 89 out of 100 counties  
POPULATION DENSITY: 39.38 per sq. mile

Washington County was formed in 1799 from Tyrrell County. It is named in honor of George Washington. Full of history, Port O'Plymouth Roanoke River Museum is a favorite of many tourists. The museum contains exhibits on the Battle of Plymouth, the last Confederate victory of the Civil War. Washington County is also the home of the Davenport Home, which is one of the oldest homes in the state.





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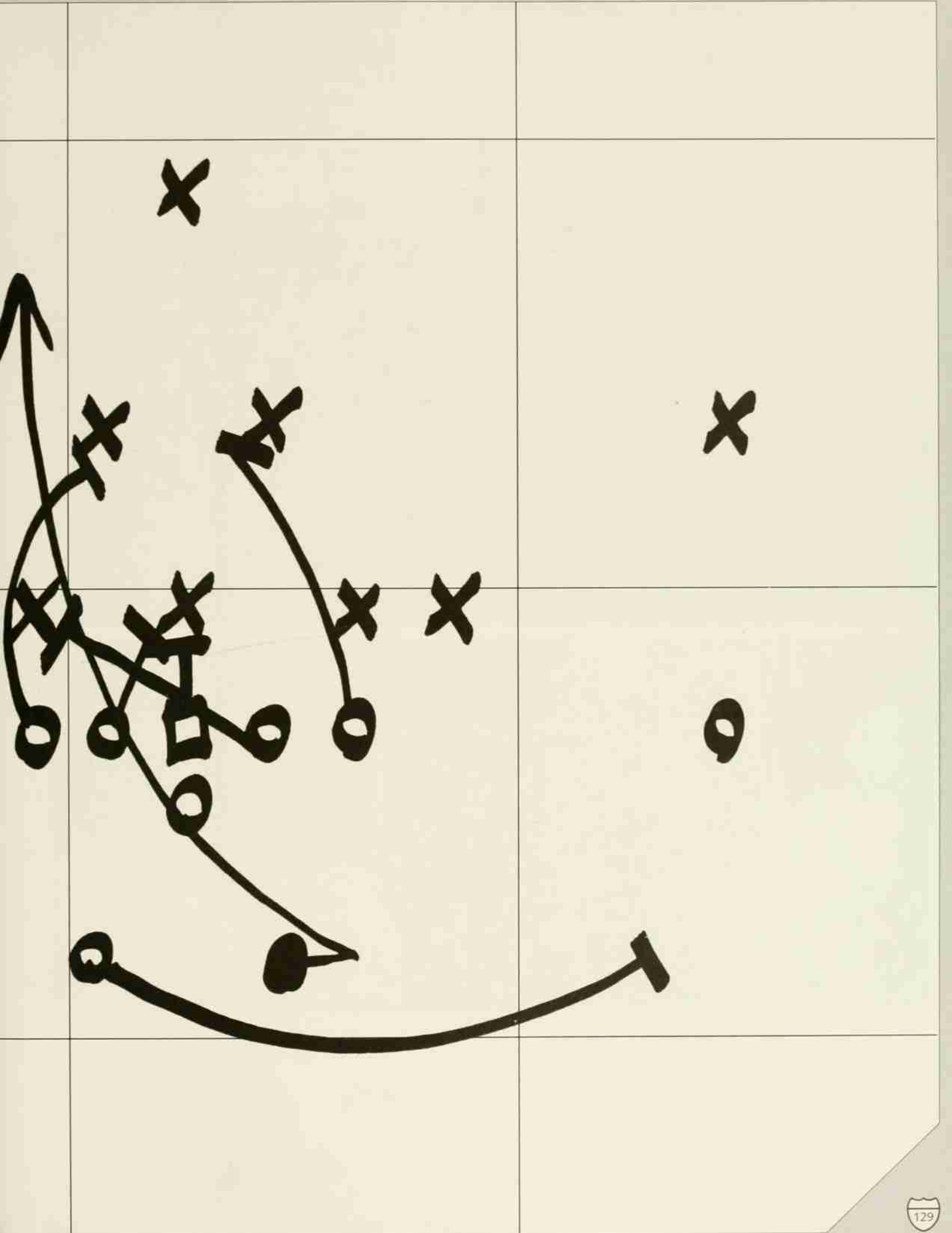
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# WOLVES spellbinding, RUN dominating year for the NC State FAST Men's and Women's Cross Country teams. ¶ In what is becoming an obvious trend, the

Wolfpack runners continued their mastery of a sport that has been mastered by State for the better part of the last decade. ¶ The 2000 season was no different. ¶ Neither team wasted any time as both the men's and women's teams won their first event of the 2000 season: the Wolfpack Invitational on September 17. Redshirt sophomore David Patterson and sophomore Dean Bowker led the pack for the men, as Beth Fonner and Katie Sabino paced the women. ¶ One week later, at the Great American Cross Country Festival in Charlotte, both squads took home second place, solidifying their positions as one of the top teams in the country. The State men turned in strong performances from Patterson, Bowker and freshman Andy Smith. For the women, senior Lindsey Rodgers and Sabino were golden as the Pack narrowly missed winning the event outright. At the time, both the men's and women's teams were ranked 8 in the nation. ¶ Sophomore Chad Pearson and Bowker led the men to yet another high finish in the team's next competition, the Notre Dame Invitational on October 6. The men walked away from South Bend with a 4TH place showing in the 25-team field. The State women placed high in the Invitational also, finishing 6TH out of 30 teams. Sabino and Fonner again led the Wolfpack ladies with individual finishes of 6TH and 7TH, respectively. ¶ Though the Wolfpack fared extremely well in

the regular season, any athlete knows that real success is found in the postseason. And so at the ACC Championships in Raleigh on October 28, the Pack saved perhaps its best showing for this competition. The women flew by their opposition on their way to a first place finish. Sabino, Fonner, Christy Nichols and Beth Kraft led the State women to their 18TH ACC title in the 23 year history of the event. ¶ The State men also ran extremely hard, but narrowly missed finishing first at the hands of a spectacular performance by Duke. The Pack settled for second place and was led by Andy Smith and junior Ryan Woods. ¶

Smith, after a spectacular season, was named ACC freshman of the year. Smith, Ryan Woods and Dean Bowker were named to the All-ACC team. Sabino, Fonner, Nichols and Kraft were named All-ACC for the women. ¶ On November 11, the Wolfpack women would place first at the District III Championships in Greenville, SC. The men once again took home a second-place finish. ¶ To finish the 2000 season, both the men's and women's squads placed 11TH at the NCAA Championships. It may not have been the ending that State wanted or even expected, but it certainly didn't diminish yet another year of supremacy for NC State cross country.



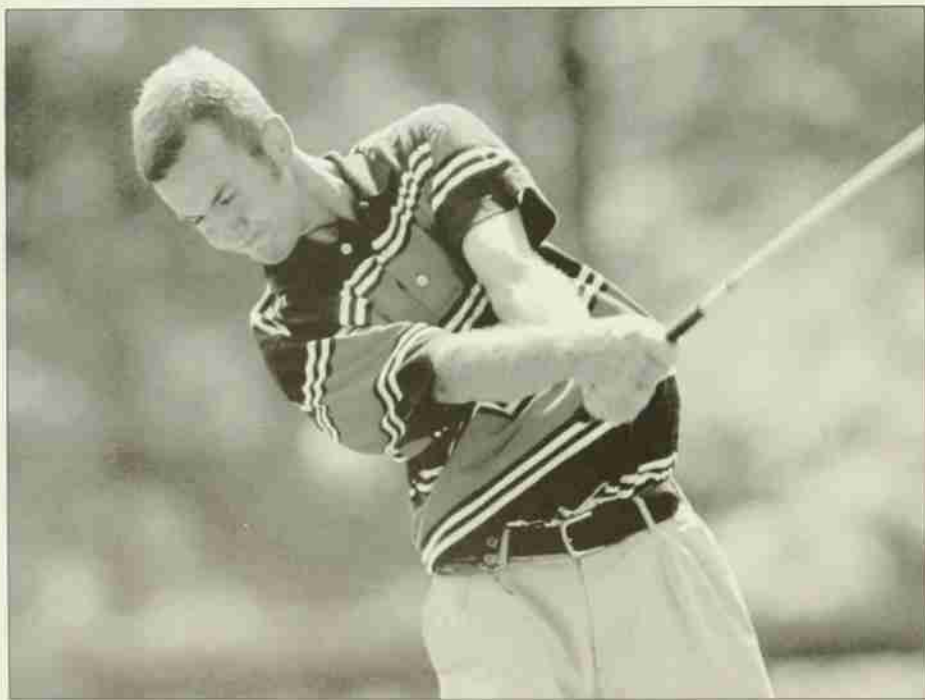
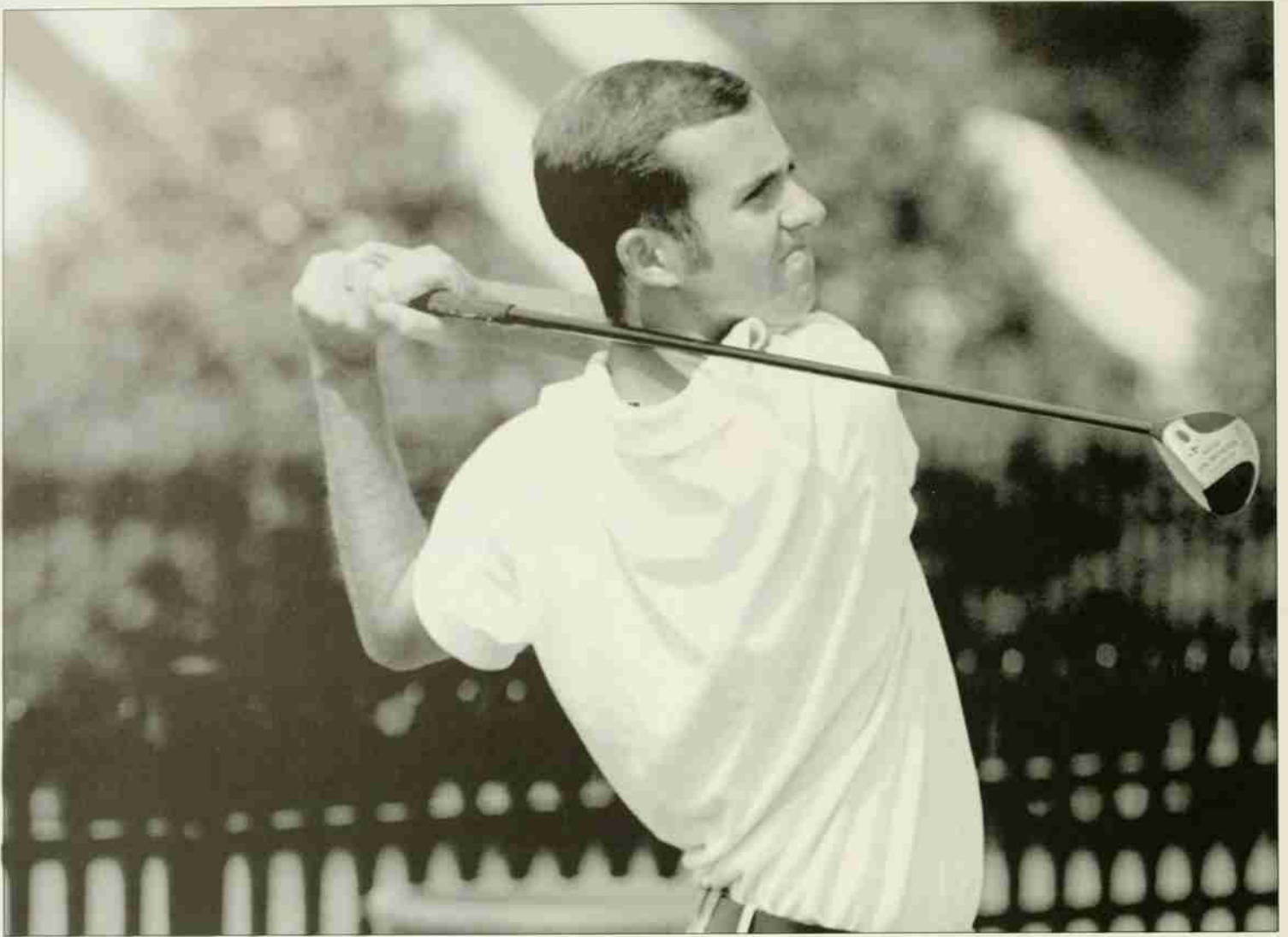




# BACK WITH THE PACK

After a fifteen-year hiatus, the NC State Women's Golf team made its return to competition for the 2000-2001 season. ¶ The Wolfpack finished sixth at the ACC Championships in April, not too bad for a program that hadn't existed since the 1985 season. State used the talents of five freshmen to yield a steady team that should reach its potential over the coming seasons. ¶ The 2000-2001 season, however, was obviously one in which State just hoped to compete. Perhaps the Pack's best effort of the year came in the Spalding/Peggy Kirk Bell Invitational on March 12-13. State used strong showings from Malin Claesson, Rebecca Randolph and Alli Henderson to finish 10th in the tournament. It marked the first and only time of the year that State would crack the top 10 of any tournament. ¶ Nevertheless, the Wolfpack found several highlights in their first year back from a long vacation. For one, head coach Page Marsh Lea was inducted into the North Carolina Sports Hall of Fame after the season ended. Known for her accolades in her playing days, Marsh Lea was a collegiate All-American and won the North Carolina amateur title six times. ¶ In addition to their coach being inducted into the NC Sports Hall of Fame, State also finished 6th in the ACC Championships. Though the finish may not seem spectacular, it is noteworthy considering that the Pack only played with five first year players: Claesson, Randolph, Henderson, Sarah Davis and Margaux Hennessey. Most other teams have the luxury of choosing their starting five among a much deeper roster. ¶ The greatest highlight, though, came on September 8th, on the first hole at the Unlimited Potential/Bay Tree Classic. It was that hole, the first one that the Pack would tee off from this season, that gave the Wolfpack a long, overdue welcome from a fifteen-year absence.



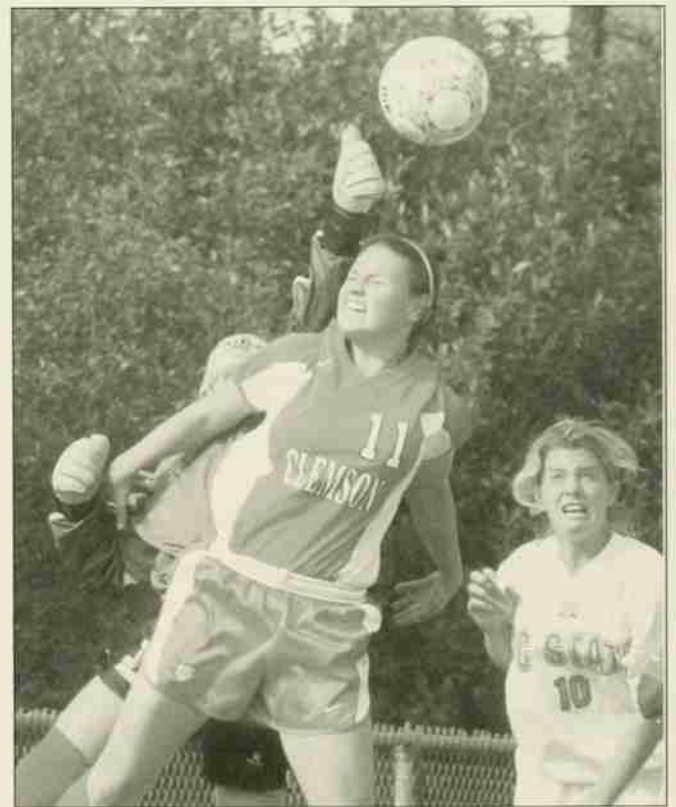




# MENS GOLF. THE YEAR IN REVIEW

In a magical year that saw its ranking climb to as high as No. 6 in the country, the 2000-2001 NC State Men's Golf team put on quite a show. Led by talented seniors and All-ACC performers Chris Mundorf and David Sanchez, the Wolfpack made it as far as any college team could go: the National Championships. Though it came up a bit short at Nationals, State had everything to be proud of. In the Pack's third tournament of the year, the Duke Golf Classic on October 15-16, it posted a first place finish as Chris Mundorf and David Sanchez led the victory. Mundorf finished just two strokes from winning the individual title. State's first place showing would prove to be their highest of the year. In Stanford, CA a week later for The Nelson Invitational, State once again placed high, this time walking away from the West Coast with a 2nd place performance. Ross Wellington and Jason Moon tied for 15th overall in leading the Wolfpack to its second consecutive top-2 finish. In the spring half of the season, the Pack saved its best golf for the latter part of the year. On March 31-April 1, State finished 2nd at the Cleveland Golf/ASU Invitational, their highest finish of the spring. The Pack narrowly missed claiming first place, as it lost by one stroke in a playoff. After a somewhat disappointing 5th place finish at the ACC Championships in late April, the Wolfpack played its best golf of the year in the NCAA East Regional. With only the top teams advancing from each region, State knew that it would have to come up big . . . and that is exactly what they did. Led by Mundorf, Garth Mulroy and Mark Tullo, State placed second in the region and earned yet another NCAA tournament bid. In addition to a spectacular season, the Wolfpack enjoyed some special recognition as well. Chris Mundorf and David Sanchez received All-America honors in addition to making the All-ACC team. Perhaps most special, however, was coach Richard Sykes' induction into the Golf Coaches Hall of Fame in January. Sykes, who has coached State golfers for 30 years, was at the helm of another strong season of Wolfpack golf.

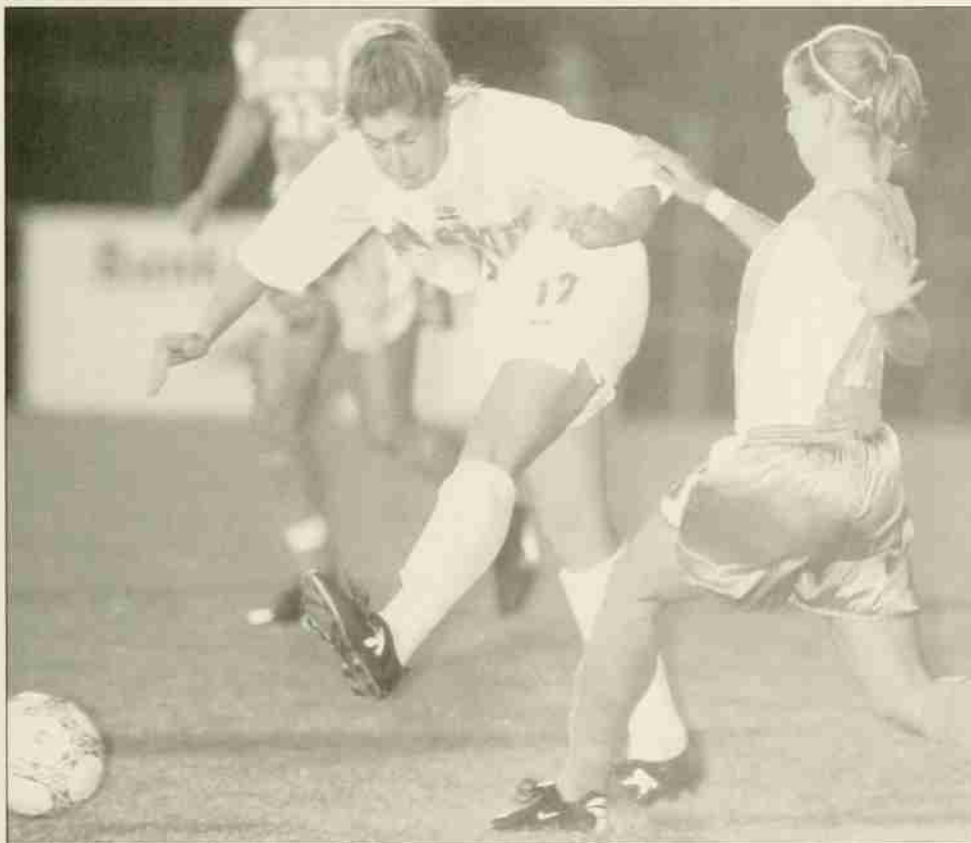




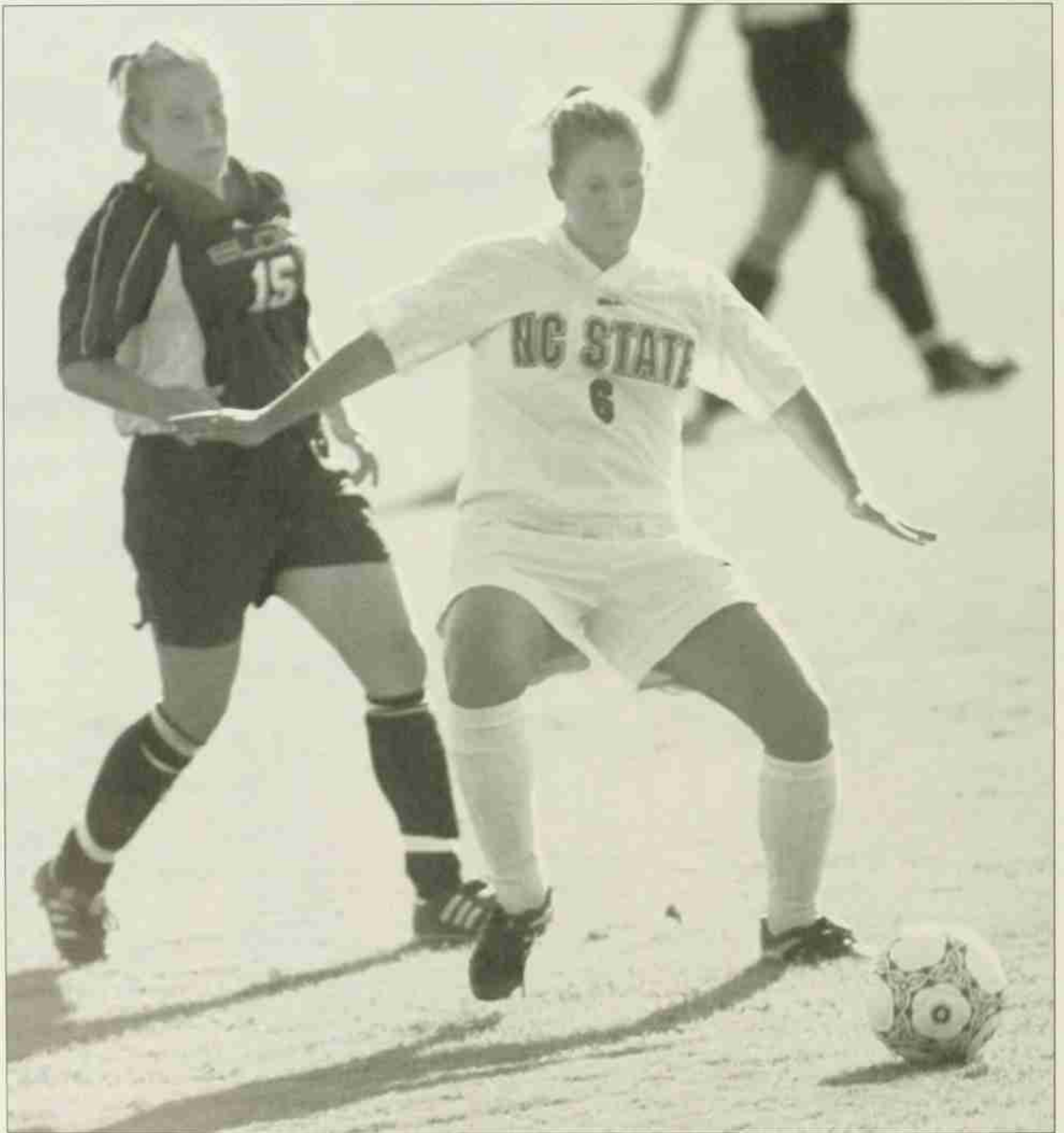
# WOMEN'S SOCCER

The 2000

season was quite an exciting one for women's soccer at N.C. State. Flying under the radar, Laura Kerrigan quietly led the Wolfpack to its best season since 1995. The team finished with a 10-6-3 overall record and went 2-3-2 in the tough Atlantic Coast Conference. The Wolfpack was regionally ranked by Soccer Buzz Magazine for most of the season, finishing at No. 6 in the Southeast. The team even made an appearance in Soccer America's national poll, checking in at No. 15 late in the season. ¶ Freshman Katherine Warman was named second-team All-ACC. She became the first State player to capture all-conference honors since 1996. She was also named to the first ever ACC All-Freshman team. Goalkeeper Gretchen Lear had the best save percentage in the ACC (.875) and was named conference Player of the Week for the week of Oct. 24. Erin Bushey, Laura Scott and Lindsey Underwood also had strong seasons for the team. ¶ Tough defense paved the way for a successful season. The Wolfpack did not allow more than three goals in any match during the season and posted 10 shutouts. The Wolfpack ranked second in the conference in scoring defense, allowing only 0.79 goals per game. Among the individual game highlights were scoreless ties against nationally ranked Clemson and Florida State. The Wolfpack also beat Duke, a team that has been nationally ranked for most of the year. ¶ The season got off to a shaky start as the Wolfpack lost a 1-0 heartbreaker to East Carolina at home. The Pirates were outplayed from the opening whistle but found a way to score with less than a minute to play. Before the second game of the year against the College of Charleston, starting goalie Lear separated her shoulder and was forced to miss the next

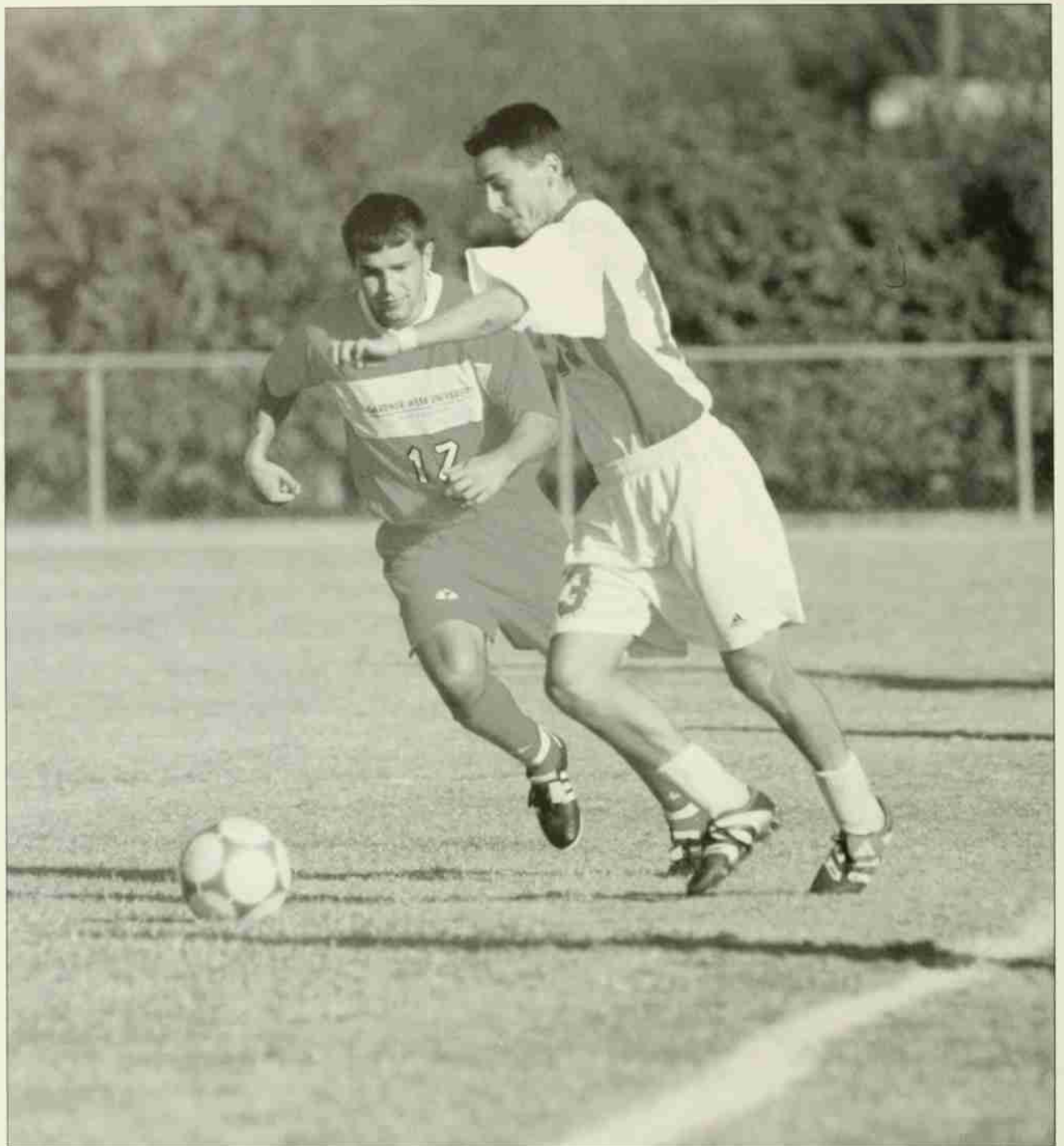






nine matches. Kristen Skinner filled in solidly, and the Wolfpack downed Charleston 4-0. Scott scored twice and, together with her teammates, outshot the Cougars 23-5. Later in the weekend, Carmen Israel scored a goal five minutes into overtime to lift the Wolfpack to an exciting 1-0 win over South Carolina. ¶ In its next match, the Wolfpack dueled UNC Greensboro to a scoreless tie on the road, despite good scoring chances for both teams. A disappointing 1-0 loss to Davidson followed, and things weren't looking good. In the first conference match of the season, Virginia handed the Wolfpack a 3-0 setback, and it seemed as if the team might be starting to sink. ¶ The Wolfpack righted the ship, however, by winning four of its next five matches. Underwood scored twice as the Wolfpack used three first-half goals to defeat High Point 4-1 on the road. Warman and Shannon Tully also netted goals in the win. Days later, three different players scored as the Wolfpack cruised past UNC Wilmington. Scott, Tully and Rachel Donnelly tallied goals in the 3-0 triumph. After losing to a tough Furman team, the Wolfpack quickly got back on the winning track. Warman scored and had an assist in a 3-1 victory over UNC Asheville. Scott provided all the scoring the Wolfpack would need early in the game as the team rolled over UNC Charlotte 3-0 less than a week later. Lear returned from her injury in the match and made eight saves to shut out the 49ERS. *Moore.*

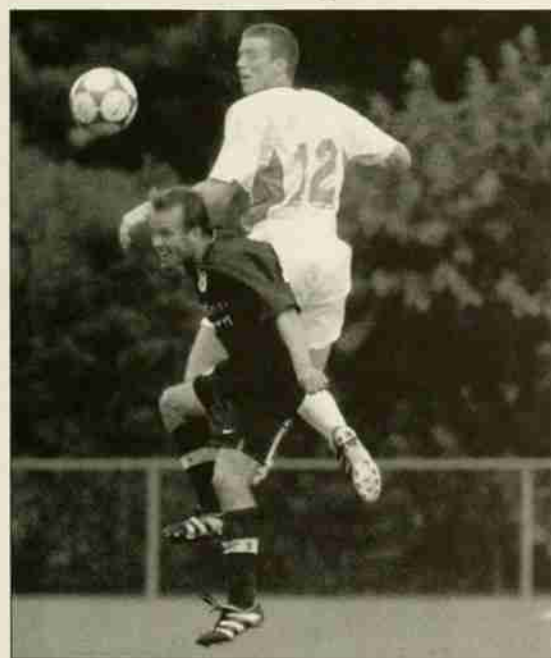




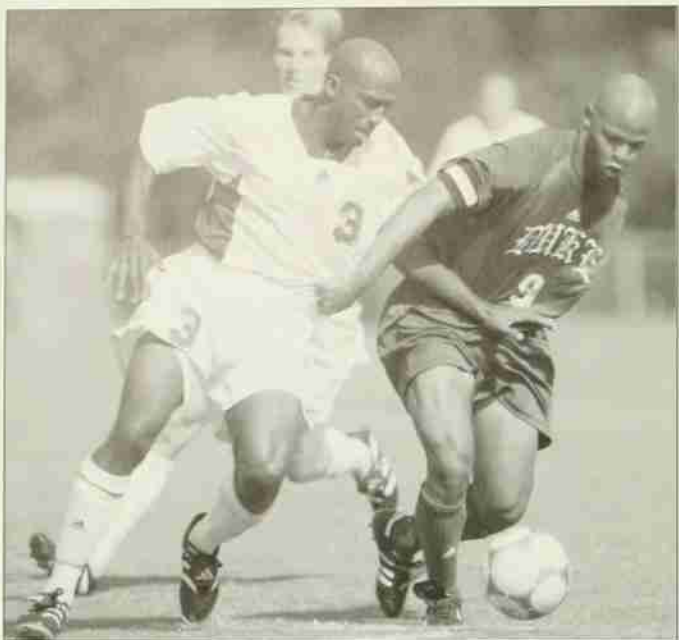


# THE GRASS IS ALWAYS GREENER

When times are tough, it's hard to buy a break. The men's soccer season got off to a rough start in 2000, losing players to the MLS and injury before the season even started. Once the season started, the team continued to spiral downward, but a solid group of young players has left the N.C. State hope that a return to soccer glory is just years away. ¶ During the offseason, Wolfpack striker Shaker Asad was drafted by the New England Revolution of the MLS, leaving a gaping hole in State's attack. To make matters worse, projected center-midfield starter John Mason was lost for the season with a broke leg suffered in a preseason scrimmage. ¶ Still, the Wolfpack remained positive heading into the season opener. Led by senior forward Nick Olivencia, State charged to an early 4-0 lead in its opener against High Point. ¶ But High Point chipped away at the lead and wound up tying the game 4-4 to deny the Wolfpack an opening win. The following day, State would lose to Elon 4-1. State lost five of its first seven games, and only man-



aged a draw in the other games. ¶ To make matters worse, junior midfielder Michael Karim went down with an injury as well, and sweeper Eric Kaufman was in and out of the lineup with injury problems of his own. By the middle of the season, the Pack didn't have enough players to conduct scrimmages in practice and were severely undermanned for games. ¶ Mercy came in the form of Georgia State, however, and the Pack took out all of its frustrations on the Golden Eagles, winning 6-0 behind two Olivencia goals. ¶ But wins were few and far between for State this season, as the Pack managed only two more the whole year — an overtime win against UNC-Wilmington and a regular-season ending romp of Gardner Webb. ¶ During the ACC schedule, the Wolfpack was unable to compete with much of the league — as the depth of the league overwhelmed the injury-plagued Pack. At one point in the season, the ACC boasted four teams in the top-15 in the nation. North Carolina ended the regular season as the No. 1 team in the country. ¶ During the ACC regular season, the Wolfpack struggled to score goals, managing no more than one in any contest. State lost its six ACC matches by a total of 29 goals. ¶ The Pack's main chance to win came in a 2-1 home defeat against Wake Forest. Olivencia had a late penalty kick opportunity, but the Pack got no second chances when he misfired. ¶ The Pack entered the ACC

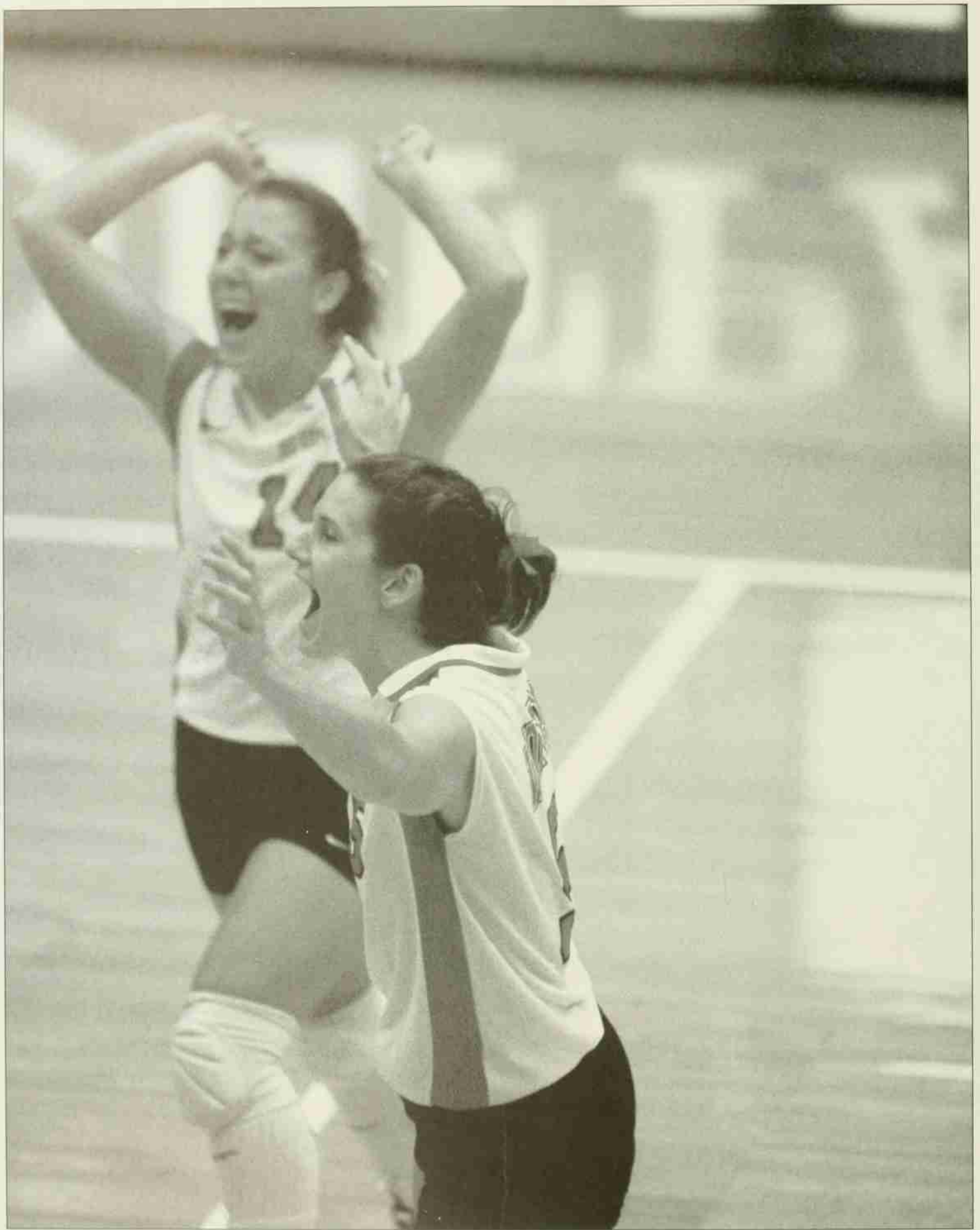




Tournament as the seventh seed. Ahead was a matchup with the second-seeded Virginia Cavaliers. While the Pack fought hard against the Cavs in rainy weather, Virginia prevailed with a 1-0 victory. ¶ The Pack ended its season 3-12-3. Goalkeeper Mitchell Watson led the ACC in saves, while Olivencia's six goals led the team. Aside from Olivencia, three other seniors played their final game in Wolfpack red against Virginia: Tony Malcolm, Kenny Gregson and Jason Faulcon. ¶ The 2000 season was the 15th season for head coach George Tarantini, who's overall record moved to 153-101-29 following the year.



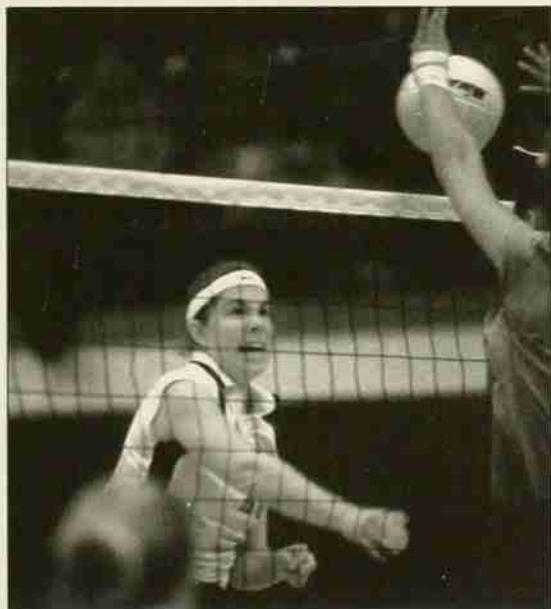


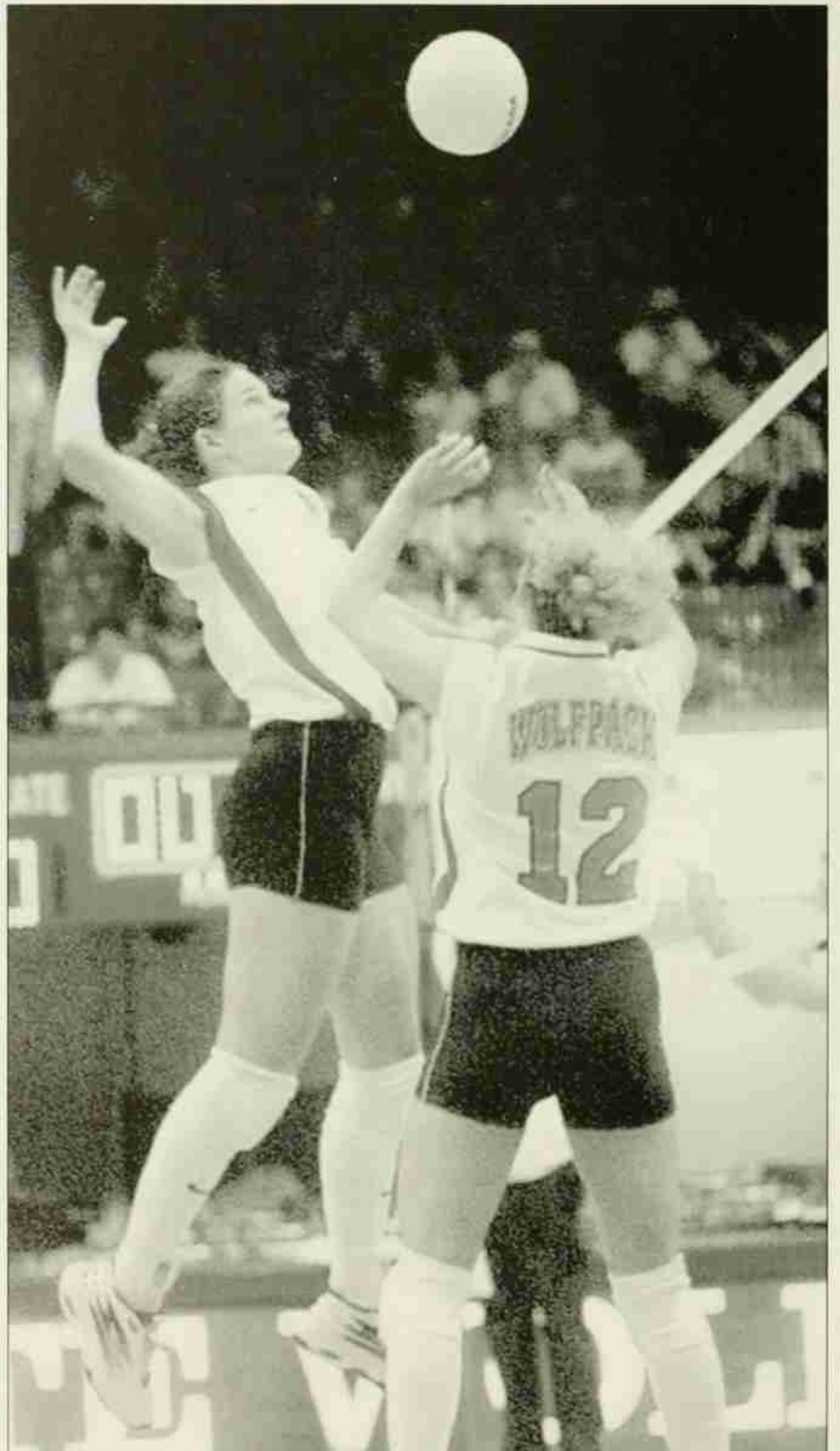
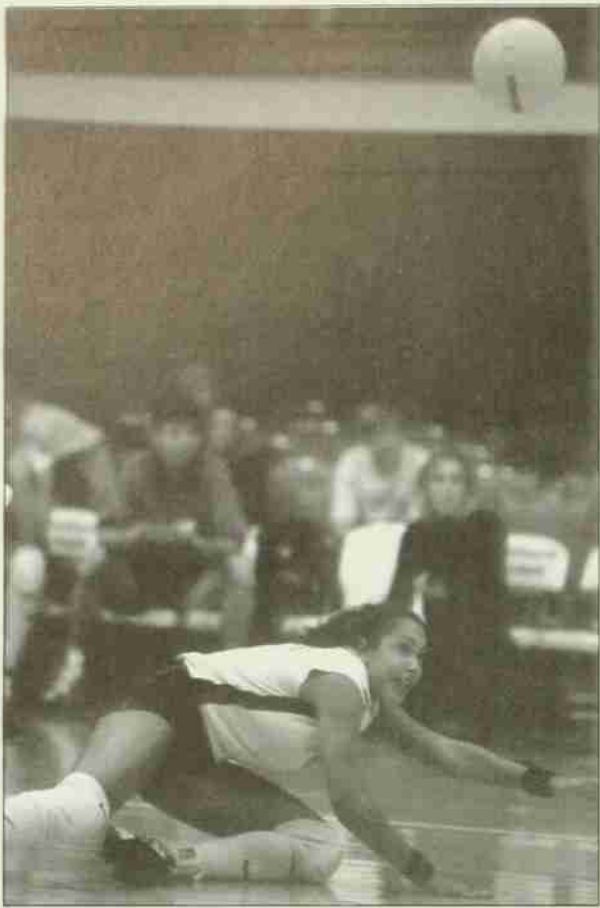


# SERVE. SET. SPIKE.

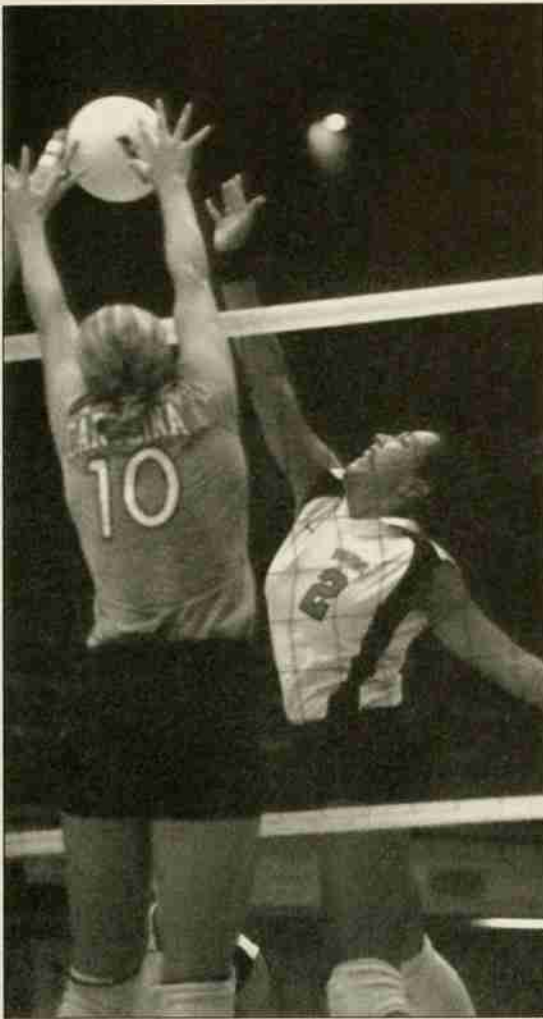
Prior to the 2000 season kicking off, things were looking good for the N.C. State volleyball team. With head coach Kim Hall and second-year assistant Xiao Feng Li basing the emphasis of their program on fundamentals, the team looked to be a strong one. Not only was Hall surrounded with talent on her team, but also had depth on her roster, as well as experience. ¶ Of that roster, the Wolfpack returned 10 letter winners, five of which were starters from the previous year. During the 1999 season, State had posted the most number of wins in the past four years and was looking to build on it at the beginning of this season. ¶ The pressure of leading the team fell onto the shoulders of seniors Meredith Price and Stephanie Stambaugh. Pair them up with juniors Alison Kreager and Charece Williams and Hall had a powerful nucleus to build around. Hall also had a pretty decent recruiting class coming in highlighted by setter Crystal Shannon and Andrea Duke. Shannon, from Odessa, Florida, led her team to three-straight state championships, while being honored with first team all state, all county and all Suncoast titles. Duke was not only a talented volleyball player in high school, but also lettered in three other sports. ¶ The season started out with a disappointing loss in the Virginia Tech Invitational to Southwest Texas State, 2-3. State bounced back in the next match, however, to gain its first mark in the win column with a 3-1 victory over Appalachian State. At the end of the invitational the Pack was an even 2-2 overall. ¶ The same

pattern held true when State returned home to Reynolds Coliseum to host the N.C. State Wolfpack Classic. With a 3-1 win over the Campbell Camels off the play of Stambaugh in the last game, the Pack secured a third place finish. Stambaugh had 25 kills and only three attacking errors. ¶ Just then the season would turn down the wrong road for the Pack. Finishing up its last tournament of the season before the Atlantic Coast Conference regular season began; State went a sub par 1-for-6. ¶ Throughout the season, coach Hall would relate back to fundamentals. The team had stars just like any other, but the team would make careless mistakes the further along they got into the season. ¶ Nevertheless, coach Hall could rely on the performance of her nucleus. Price and Stambaugh became the coaches on the floor, constantly trying to keep the team's composure up and its focus on winning. Meanwhile, Kreager finished with the third best amount of kills per match at 2.41, while also adding another 2.34 digs a match. ¶ But the true offensive weapon for coach Hall was the force behind Williams' arm. Nailing balls over the net like a freight train hitting a car stuck in its way, Williams made a name for herself. Her average of a little over four kills a game held State's opponents attention quite often. ¶ The ACC regular season wasn't anything like what the Pack had hoped it would be losing all but one game against Duke. Williams once again made her presence felt with 18 kills and only five errors for a .317 hitting percentage. Right behind her was Kreager with 13 kills and a match-high 19 digs of her own. The Pack as a whole had its third best hitting performance of the season with a .260 mark. ¶ The win came midway through the season and seemed to brighten State's hopes, lifting it to a 7-12 record, 1-6 in the ACC. But, unfortunately, the Pack never could manage to get its season back on the right tracks. ¶ The second half of the season was highlighted by non-conference victories over Virginia Tech and East Carolina, but State fell short of winning any more conference battles. Against Virginia Tech, Williams and Kreager teamed up once again for a total of 39 kills, 15 digs and five blocks. In the ECU match, the Pack relied more on a team effort with four players in double figures in kills. Williams along with Kreager, Stambaugh and Tara Greene were all offensive weapons for coach Hall. Meanwhile, Price had 14 digs defensively. ¶ The win over the Pirates was the last regular season game for State, making its record at 9-21 on the season. Next up for the Pack was the ACC Tournament, in which Hall wanted to have her team focused on and everyone playing funda-









mental volleyball. Because of its record in conference play, State went into the tourney ranked number nine and had to face the number one team Georgia Tech. Despite what they had hoped for, there wasn't anything the Pack could do to help their chances and so just like that, its season was over at the hands of the Yellow Jackets. ¶ Furthermore, at the end of the season, coach Hall resigned as head coach of the team. Hall finished her career at State with an overall record of 101-138 and said that the losing records the past four years was her reason for leaving. A few months later, N.C. State Athletic Director Lee Fowler named Hall's replacement. Mary Byrne, a former All-American player at Nebraska and the winningest coach in South Dakota State University volleyball history will start her new career at State beginning with the 2001 season. *Sellers*

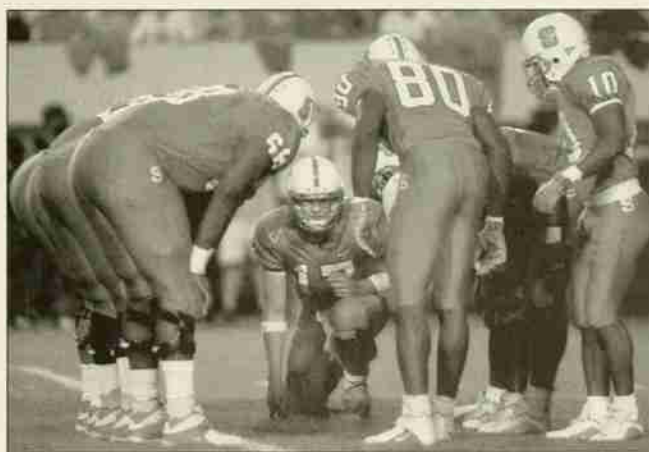


# CARDIAC PACK IS BACK

¶ With the installation of new Head Coach Chuck Amato, fans were abuzz about the future of Wolfpack football. A former Wolfpack player and assistant coach, Amato accepted the job after 18 years as an assistant coach for Florida State University and only days after winning his 11th ACC Championship. ¶ To open the season, the Wolfpack achieved a 38-31 victory over Arkansas State in double overtime that would provide a small glimpse of what was to be a largely thrilling season. ¶ Amato was not the only new face on the team. With Amato came Defensive Coordinator Doc Holliday and esteemed Offensive Coordinator, Norm Chow, a famous quarterback coach from Brigham Young University. Chow definitely got what he bargained for in freshman quarterback, Philip Rivers. NC State's third straight Rookie of the Year, Rivers found a magic connection in sophomore receiver Koren Robinson and far surpassed many of the schools passing records. ¶

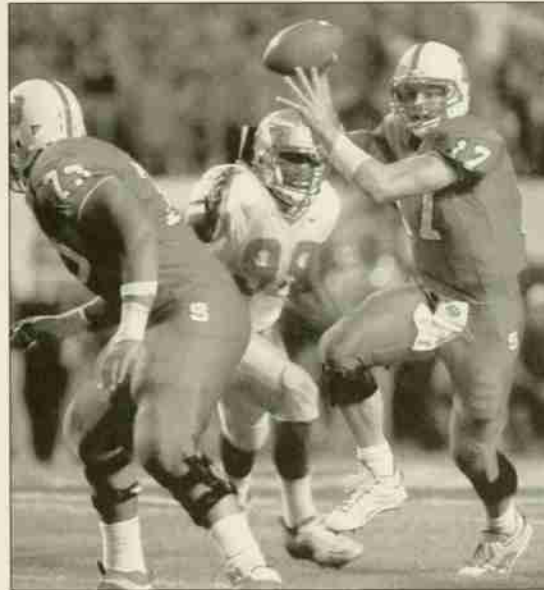


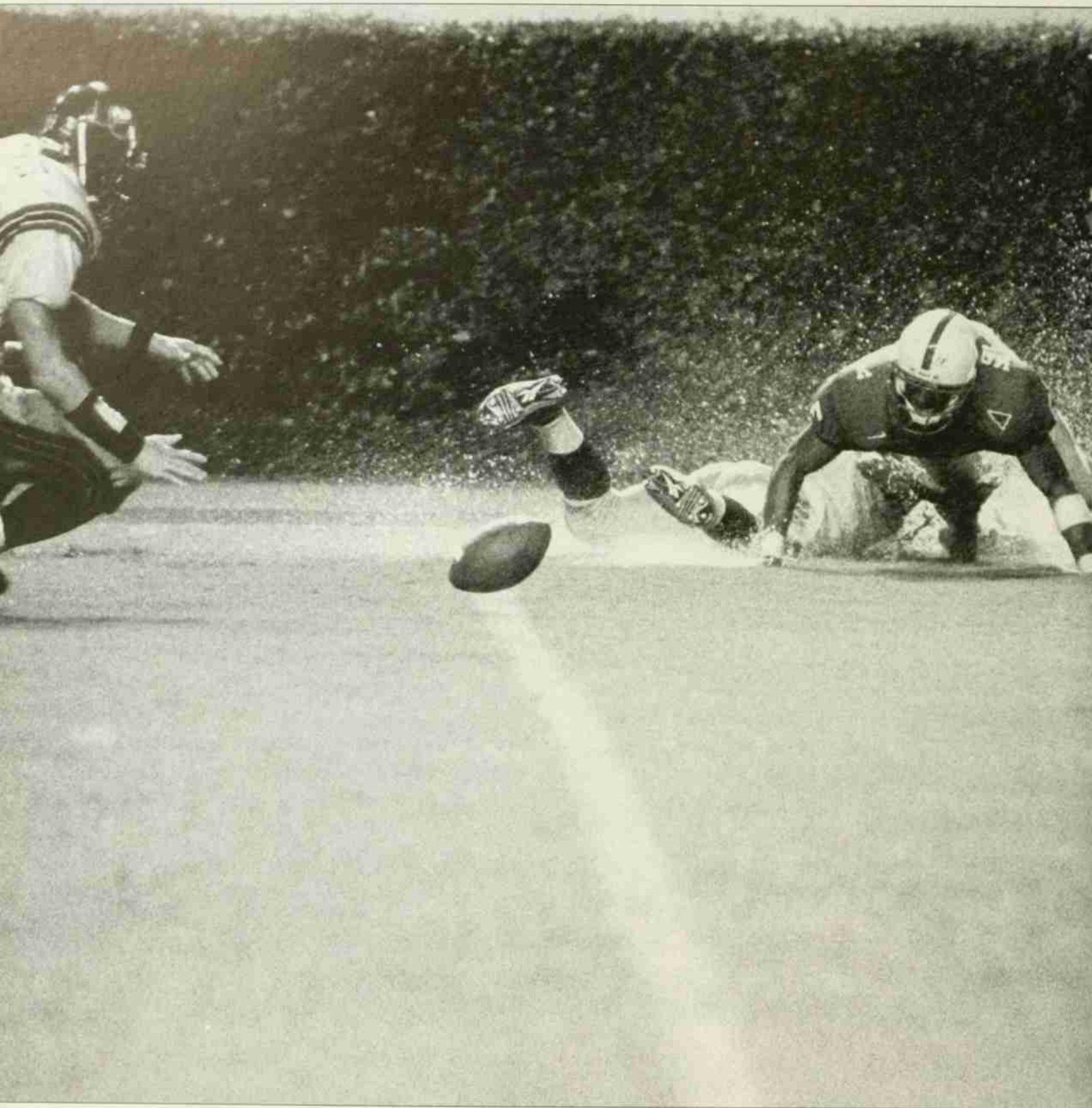
The Wolfpack was not shy in experience either. While devastated in what appeared to be the *déjà vu*, game-opening injury of Center Keegan Weir, Derek Green again stepped up to fill the slot. Levar Fisher gave the team a new idea of passion as he gave each game his all. Strong Safety Adrian Wilson caused many gasps and cheers with his bone-rattling hits that seemed to catch every opponent unaware and unprepared. ¶ The Wolfpack would fill their season with come-from-behind wins in 7 of their 8 victories. Overcoming a paucity of 87 points total in wins over Arkansas State, Indiana, Georgia Tech, Duke, Wake Forest and Minnesota. ¶ There was only one win during the season that the Wolfpack did not ever fall behind, and it was the most important of the season. Any true Wolfpack fan knows that even a 1-12 season is deemed acceptable, provided that the one win is over the University of North Carolina. Despite having repeatedly denied the request, Coach Amato surprised the team in Chapel Hill by providing them with all-white uniforms reminiscent of Wolfpack football teams of the 1960s, including the ACC championship team that he was on. They tore onto the field energized and ready to end their 7 year drought in the series. They did just that, demolishing the Tarheels 38-20. ¶ The season ended with even more of a bang than it began. Down 24-0 near the end of the first half of the Micron PC Bowl, the Wolfpack managed to rouse up the determination and spirit that already filled the season and began a comeback crusade that would ultimately end with a 38-30 victory over the Minnesota Gophers and Coach Amato's first postseason win with the Wolfpack. Boyle





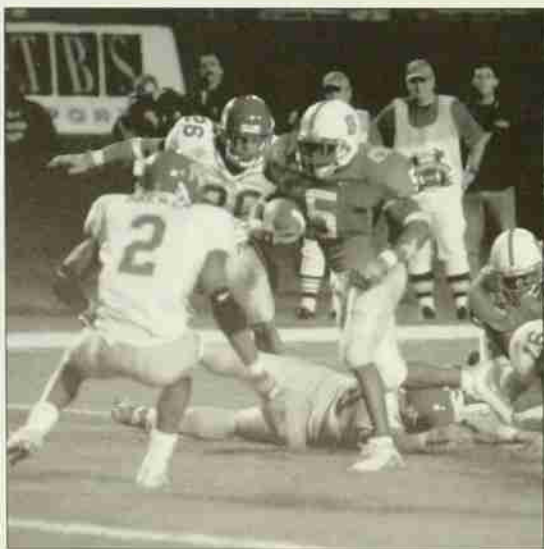
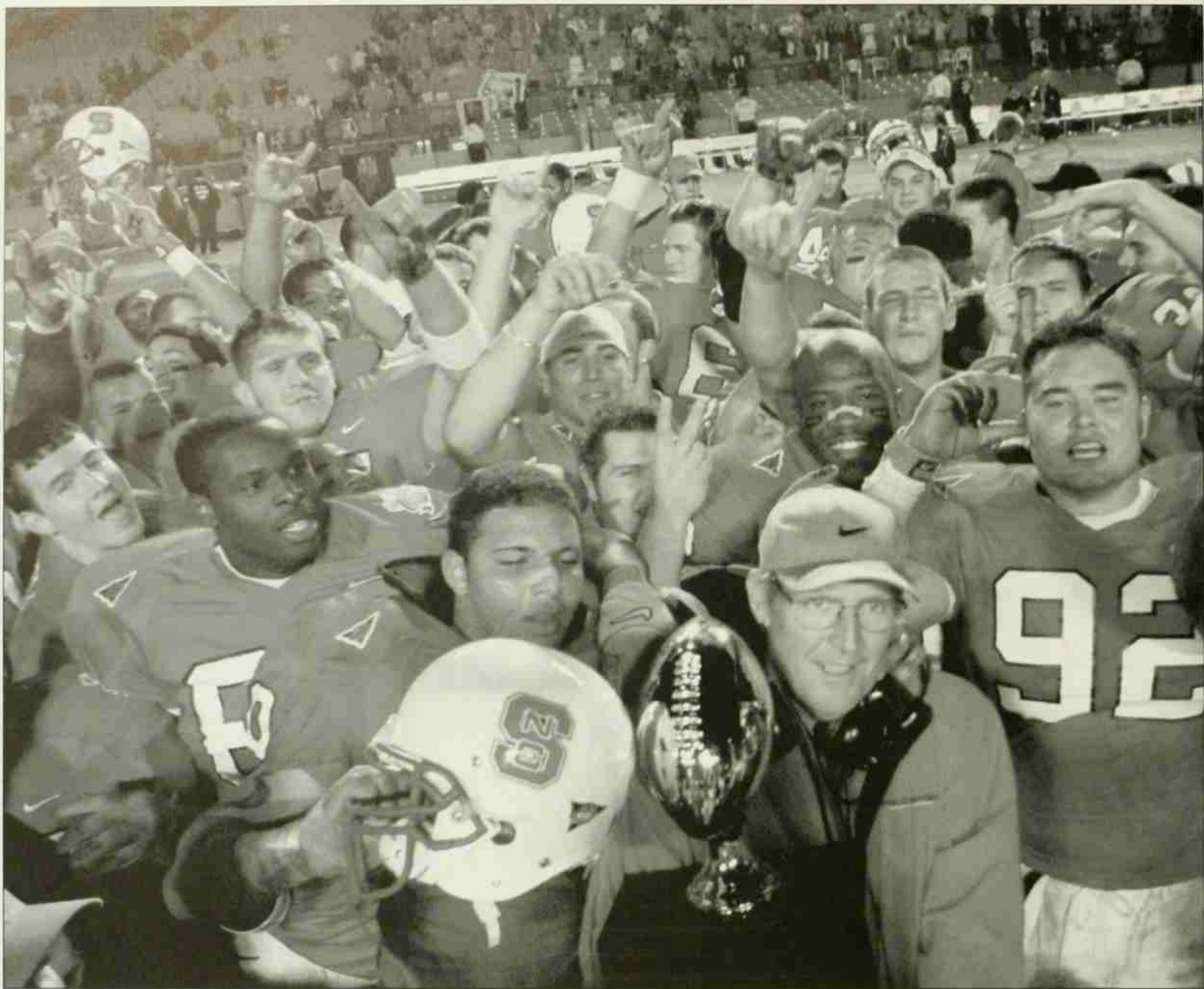








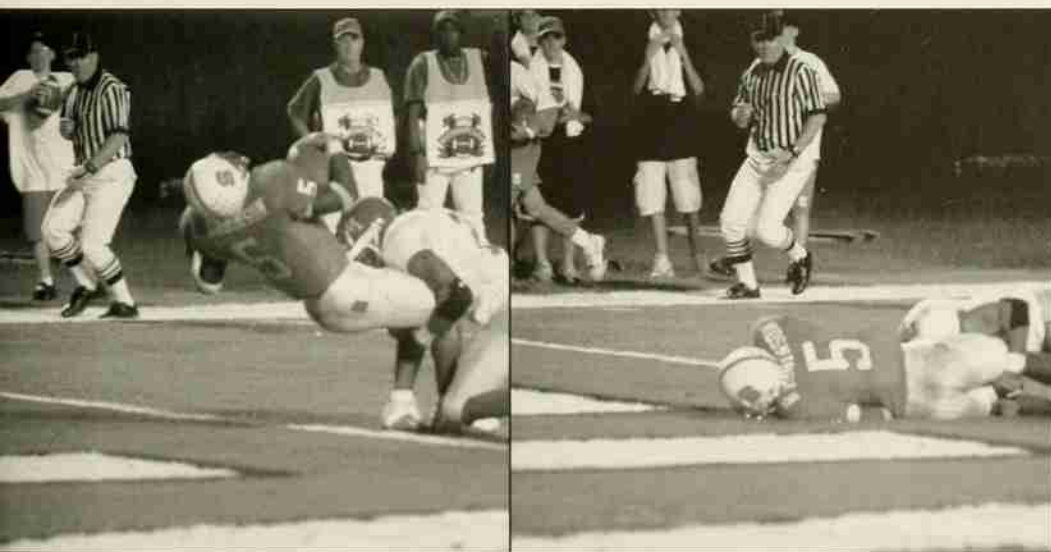




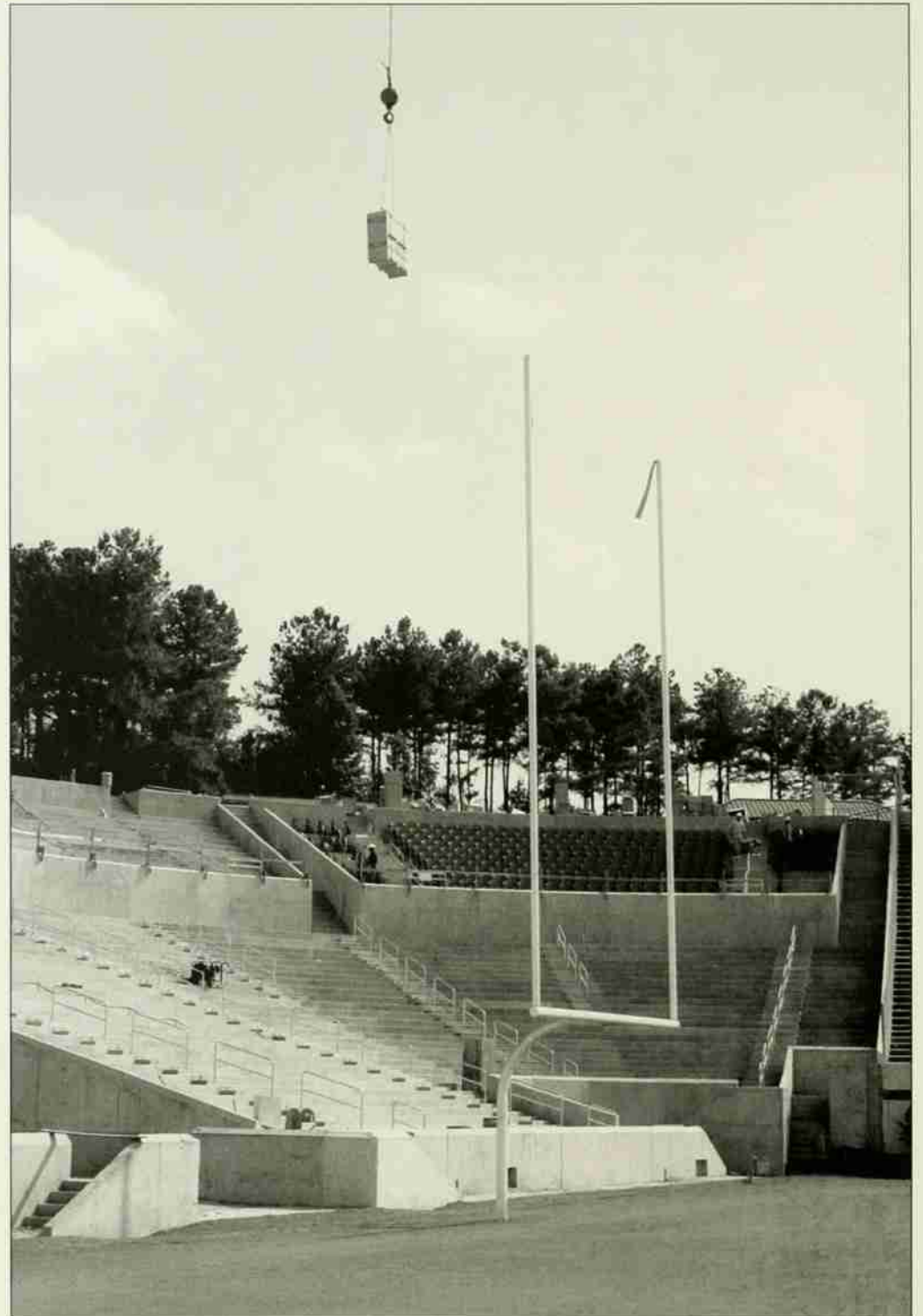


# PACK RISES UP IN BOWL

The 2000 MicronPC.com Bowl has to be included in any discussion of the greatest comebacks in college football bowl history. ¶ N.C. State, playing in the Miami bowl for the second time in three years, overcame a 24-point first half deficit to defeat Minnesota 38-30. Freshman quarterback Philip Rivers earned bowl MVP honors, shaking off a rough start to complete 24-of-39 passes for 310 yards and two touchdowns. Sophomore wide receiver Koren Robinson, who days later entered the NFL Draft, scored two touchdowns and caught seven of Rivers' passes for a MicronPC.com record of 157 yards. ¶ Down 24-0 in the middle of the second quarter, the Wolfpack raced down the field with an 11-play, 72-yard drive that was capped by a 2-yard touchdown pass to tight end Andy Vanderveer with 2:00 left in the first half. A two-point conversion brought the Wolfpack within 16 at halftime, but the momentum completely turned State's way early in the third quarter thanks to the special teams. Cornerback Brian Williams blocked a Minnesota punt, which eventually led to another Wolfpack touchdown and two-point conversion. ¶ Before the third quarter was over, the Wolfpack had scored 25 unanswered points and led for the first time in the game. The Golden Gophers briefly reclaimed the lead on a field goal, but less than a minute later, Robinson caught a 23-yard touchdown pass from Rivers to give State the lead for good. ¶ As the final seconds ticked off the clock, the Wolfpack celebrated its first bowl victory since the 1995 Peach Bowl. The thrilling win put an emphatic stamp on Chuck Amato's first season in Raleigh as head coach and hopefully foreshadowed even better things to come.







# EXPANDING CARTER- FINLEY

Following the successful conclusion of Coach Chuck Amato's first year, the Wolfpack Club unveiled its plan for the renovation of Carter-Finley Stadium and broke ground for Phase I of Construction. ¶ In Phase I, the building of permanent and club seating in the south end zone began, connecting at each end to already present sideline to form a horseshoe in place of the grassy bank where many fans often sit. In addition, the installation of a new video scoreboard was completed behind the field house in the north end zone, and the construction of the football operations center just outside the concourse in the south end zone was initiated. ¶ While the football operations center will not be ready by the start of the 2001-2002 season, the scoreboard and the south end zone seating were expected to be completed. ¶ The project is designed to move all football facilities to the complex, freeing up much needed space for other athletic teams on campus. The excitement surrounding the renovations and the future prospects of Wolfpack football culminated with record setting season ticket sales for the 2001-2002 season. *Worham Boyle*

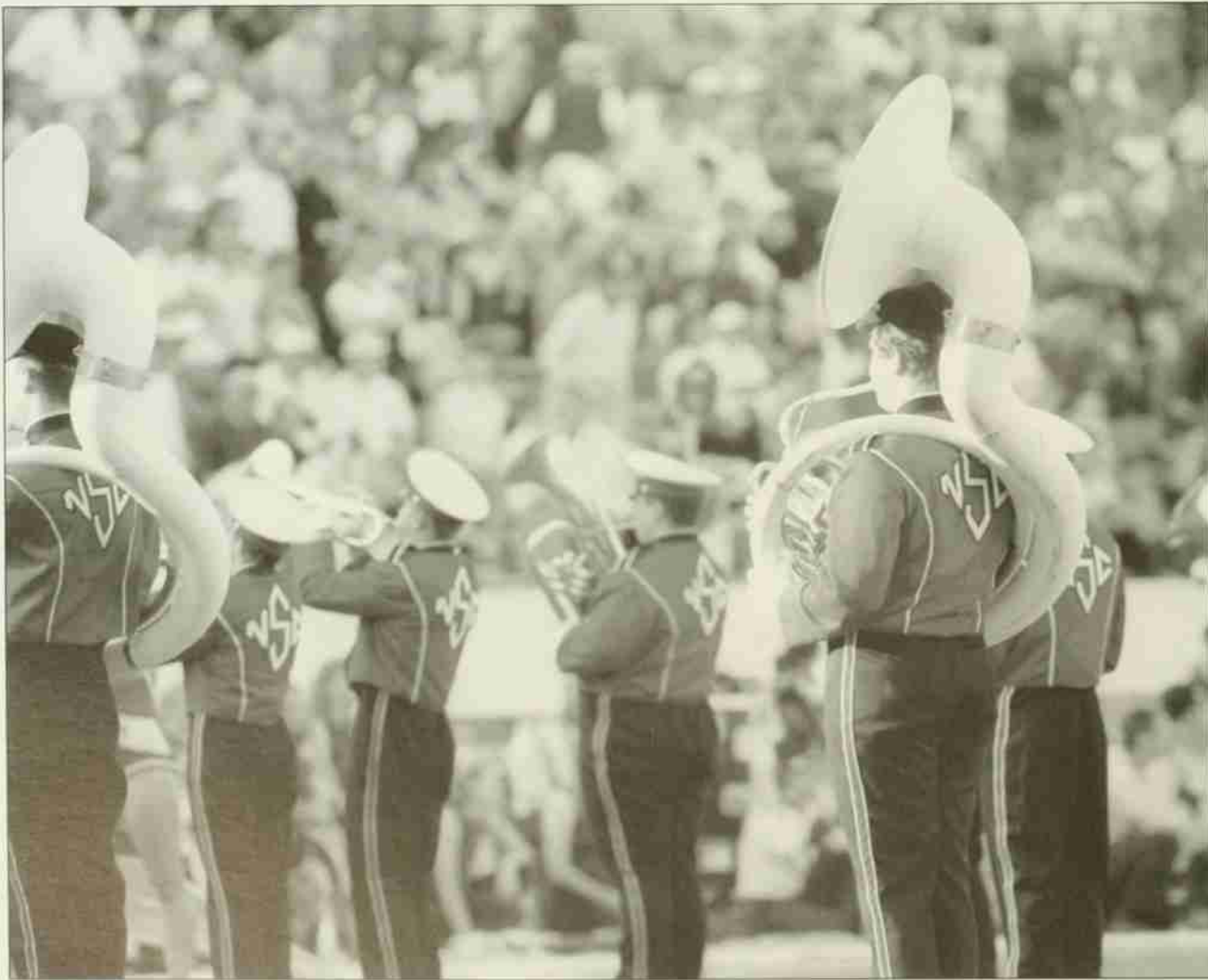




# BRING IT ON

Whenever N.C. State fans went to football and basketball games in 2001, they were used to seeing the cheerleading squad root the Wolfpack on to victory. If a State team needed a boost, the cheerleaders were the ones who picked up the crowd. During time outs, they kept the fans pumped up using a combination of school spirit and high-flying acrobatics. ¶ The cheerleaders continued to give State fans something to cheer about this past year, but this time, it was for their own accomplishments. What those fans may not have realized when they went to home games at Carter-Finley Stadium or the Entertainment and Sports Arena was that the team on the sidelines was the most accomplished one in the building. -On April 6 in Daytona Beach, Fla., with an experienced team that included seven seniors, the cheerleaders claimed their fourth national championship, giving them as many national titles as every other varsity sport at State combined. The title was the first for the cheerleaders since 1991 and their first in the National Cheerleading Association's competition. ¶ After competing in the preliminary round the day before, State, coached by former Wolfpack cheerleader Lisa James, went into the finals of the Division I-A competition, which encompasses 25 teams, third behind powerhouse Louisville and Oklahoma State. The Wolfpack hit all of its spots in the finals, however, and walked away with a mark of 9.49 to finish atop its division. That score was better than every other team in every other division at the competition, as well, helping State to the Grand National Championship. *Ashton*

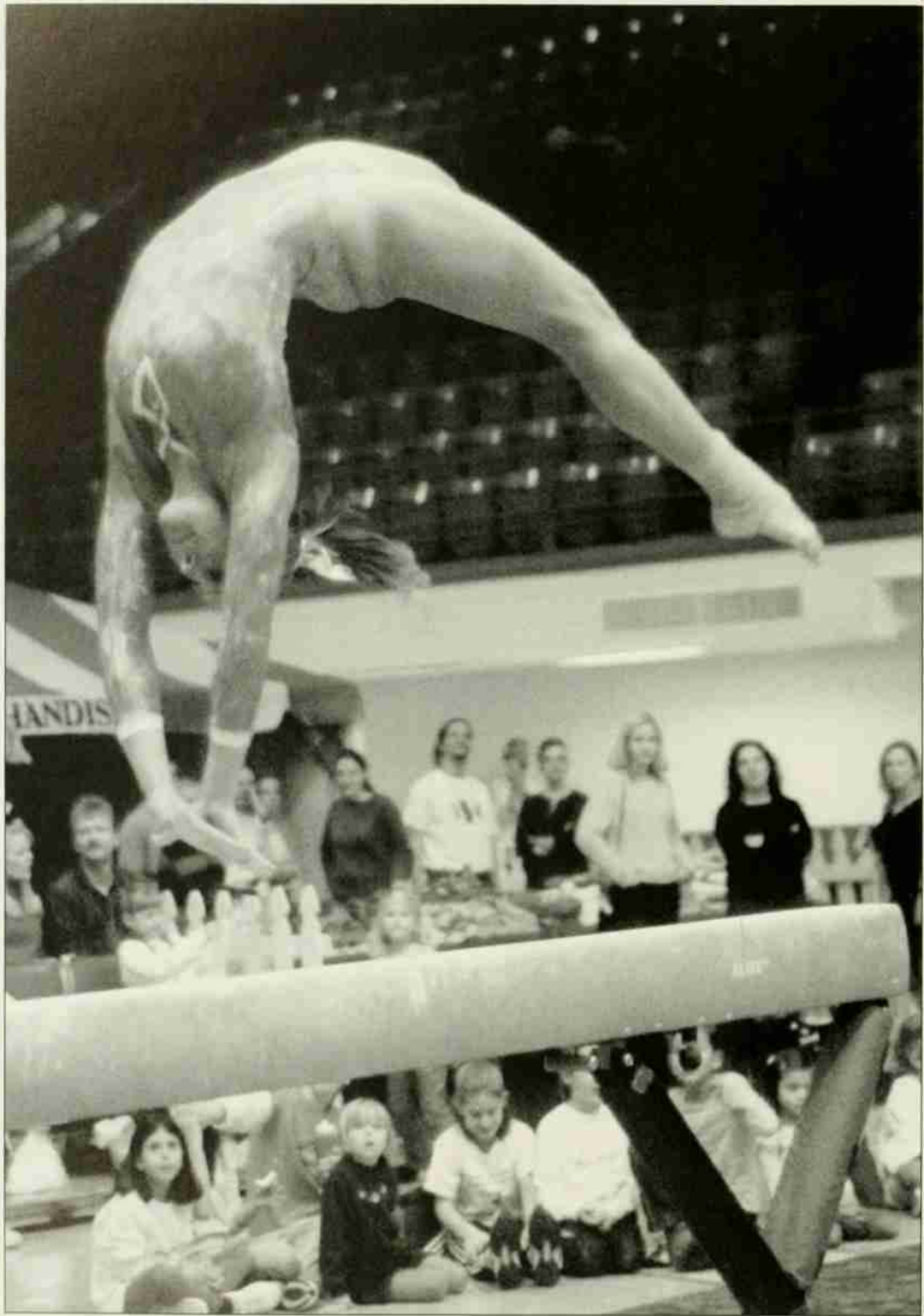




# MARCHING BAND







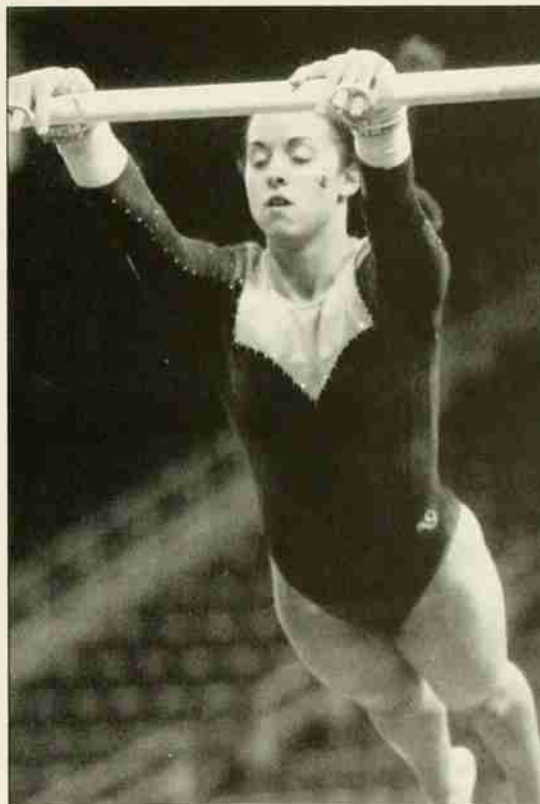
# GYMNASTICS

The gymnastics team entered the 2001 season primed for a run at qualifying for Nationals. N.C. State was coming off of its second consecutive EAGL Championship, and head coach Mark Stevenson had one of his most talented and experienced groups of gymnasts ever.

Before the season could even get off the ground, however, three of the Wolfpack's best gymnasts went down for the year with injuries. Instead of worrying about their lost teammates, the remaining members of State's squad picked up the pieces and put together an inspiring season. With walk-ons filling in the holes in the lineup, the Wolfpack made it back to Regionals for the 10TH year in a row. State placed first at two meets during the year, and in a midseason meet at Reynolds Coliseum, the Wolfpack posted a score of 196.150, the fourth highest in team history.

State's top performer in 2001 was junior Kelli Brown, who enjoyed her best season yet with the Wolfpack. Brown landed on the All-EAGL first team in three events and the all-around. Seniors Monica Berry, Sara Dolan and Kara Charles capped their outstanding careers with spots on the All-EAGL squad. The trio left State with two EAGL titles and a trip to Nationals during their freshman season. Sophomore Adina Stock also earned her first All-EAGL selection, taking second-team honors on the vault.

By the usually high standards it has set for itself, the Wolfpack had a sub-par year in 2001. But the State gymnasts may have put together their best team effort ever to finish with an overall successful season. *Ashton*

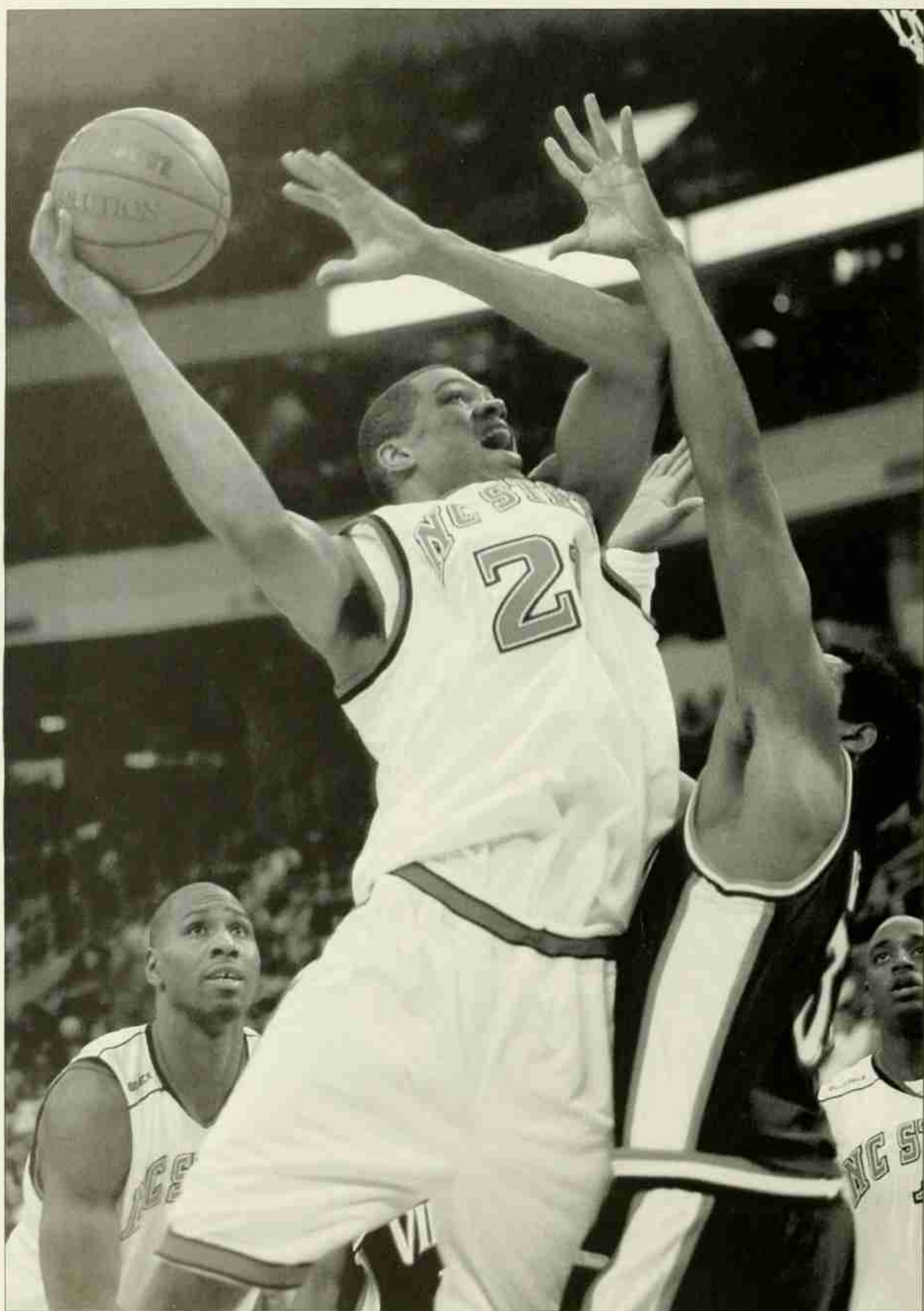






# DANCE TEAM

For the N.C. State Dance team, the 2000-2001 season was a great addition to its already rich past. Formed in 1994, the dance team has increased its size, as well as popularity among students and fans. Its not rare to see them performing at home football and men's and women's basketball games, not to mention various other events for alumni and charities. -Since it was created, the dance team has received national honors every year. Its highest achievement up until the beginning of the season was a top five finish at the National Cheerleading Association (NCA) Championships in 2000. ¶ Despite the outcome of the games, the fans always cheered whenever it was time for the dance team to come out onto the floor and do their routine. Particularly in basketball, the home crowd would be down because of the pace of the game, but just when people were ready to give up, the dance team was there to ignite everyone's enthusiasm in the stands. Remarkably, the excitement would spread from the seats onto the floor, making for a difficult place to compete at for any visiting team. ¶ Going into the year, there was one goal that remained on the minds of the 27 girls that made up the red and white editions of the dance team. That goal was to bring home a championship at the end of the season. Between April 4TH and 8TH in Daytona Beach, Florida, the State dance team competed as one of 22 teams for the NCA Championship. Although, they fell short of a championship, the girls did finish with a very impressive and respected second place; their best ever in the competition. *Sellers*

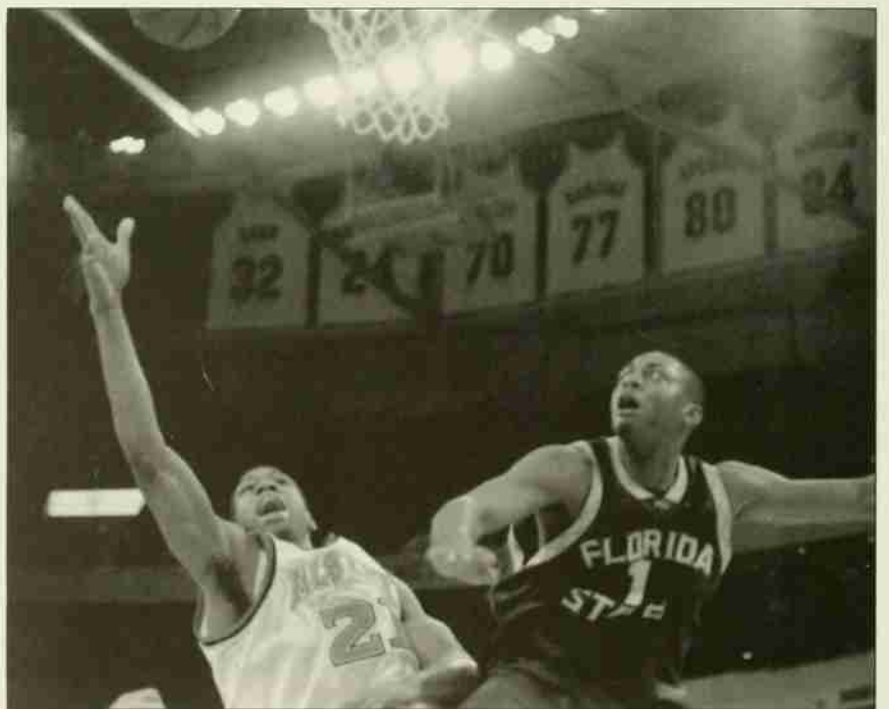
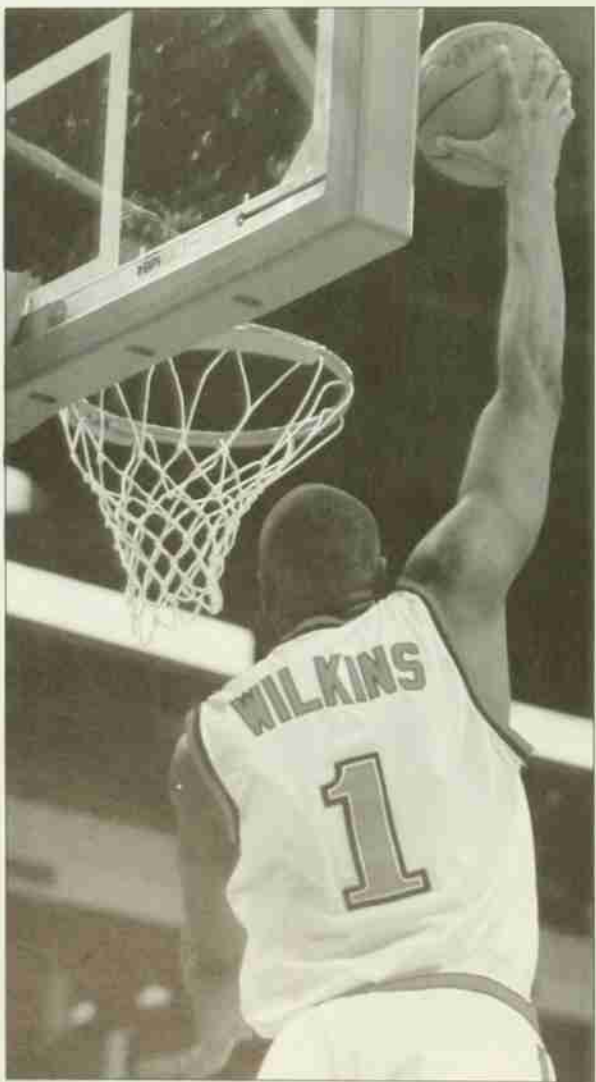
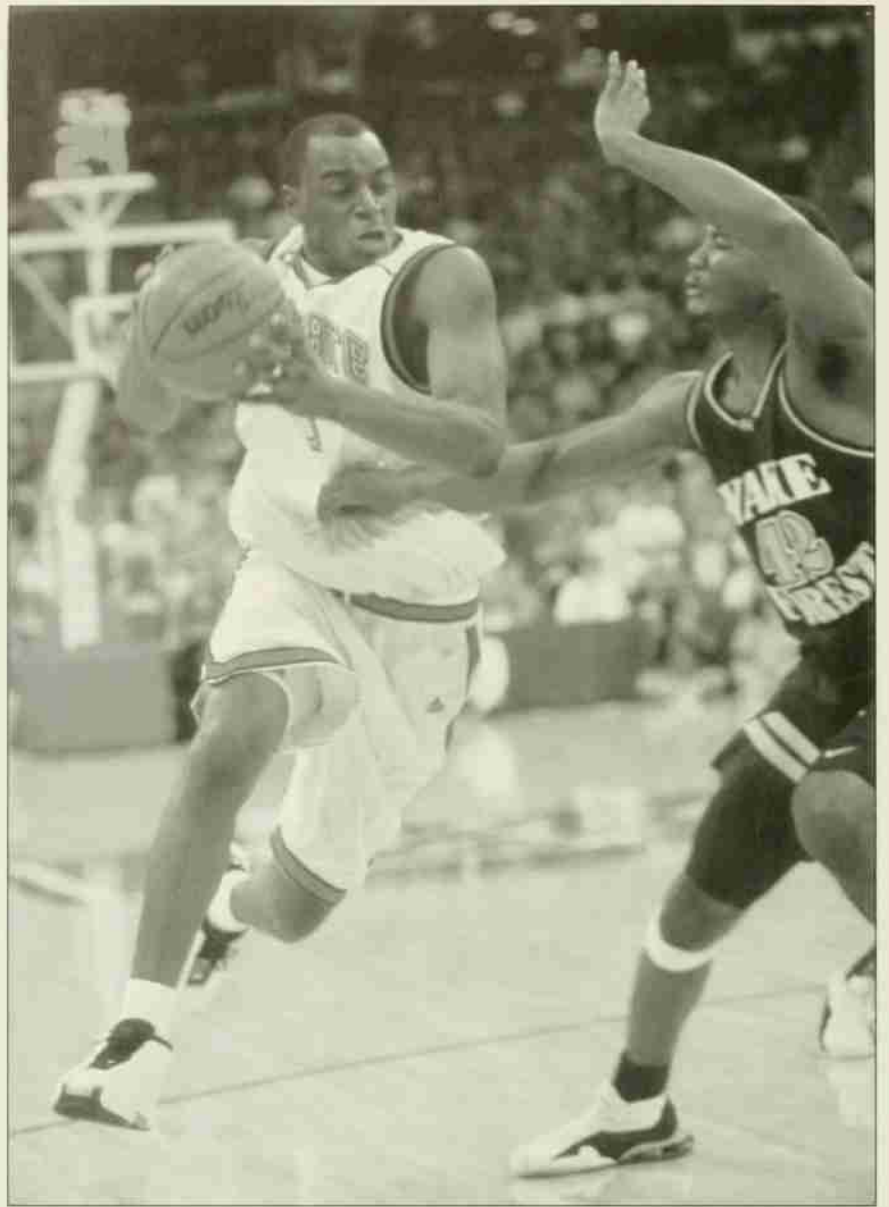
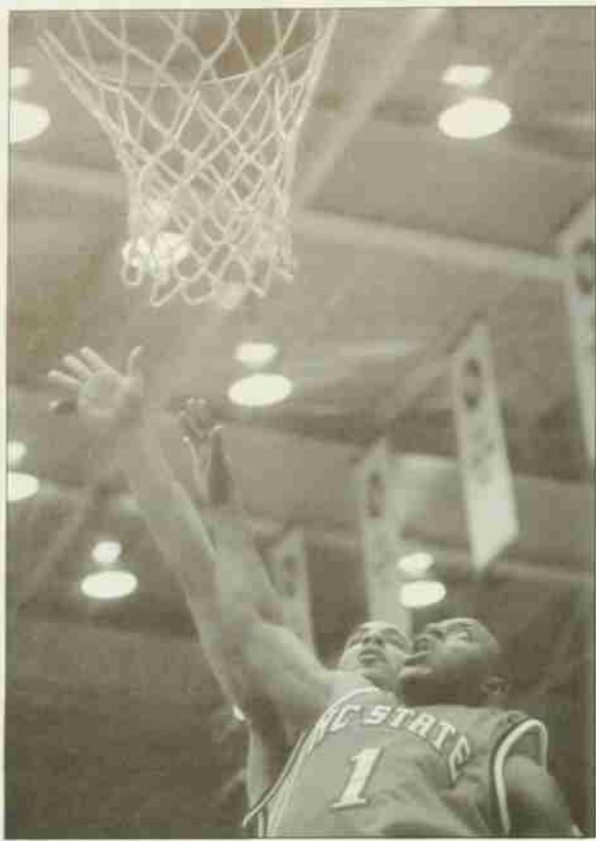


# MENS BASKETBALL

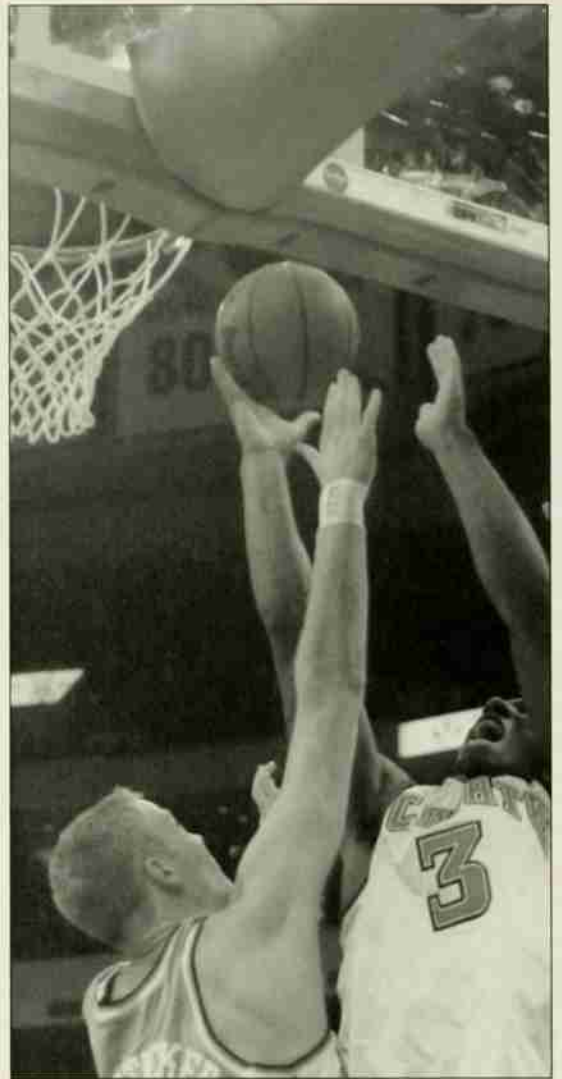
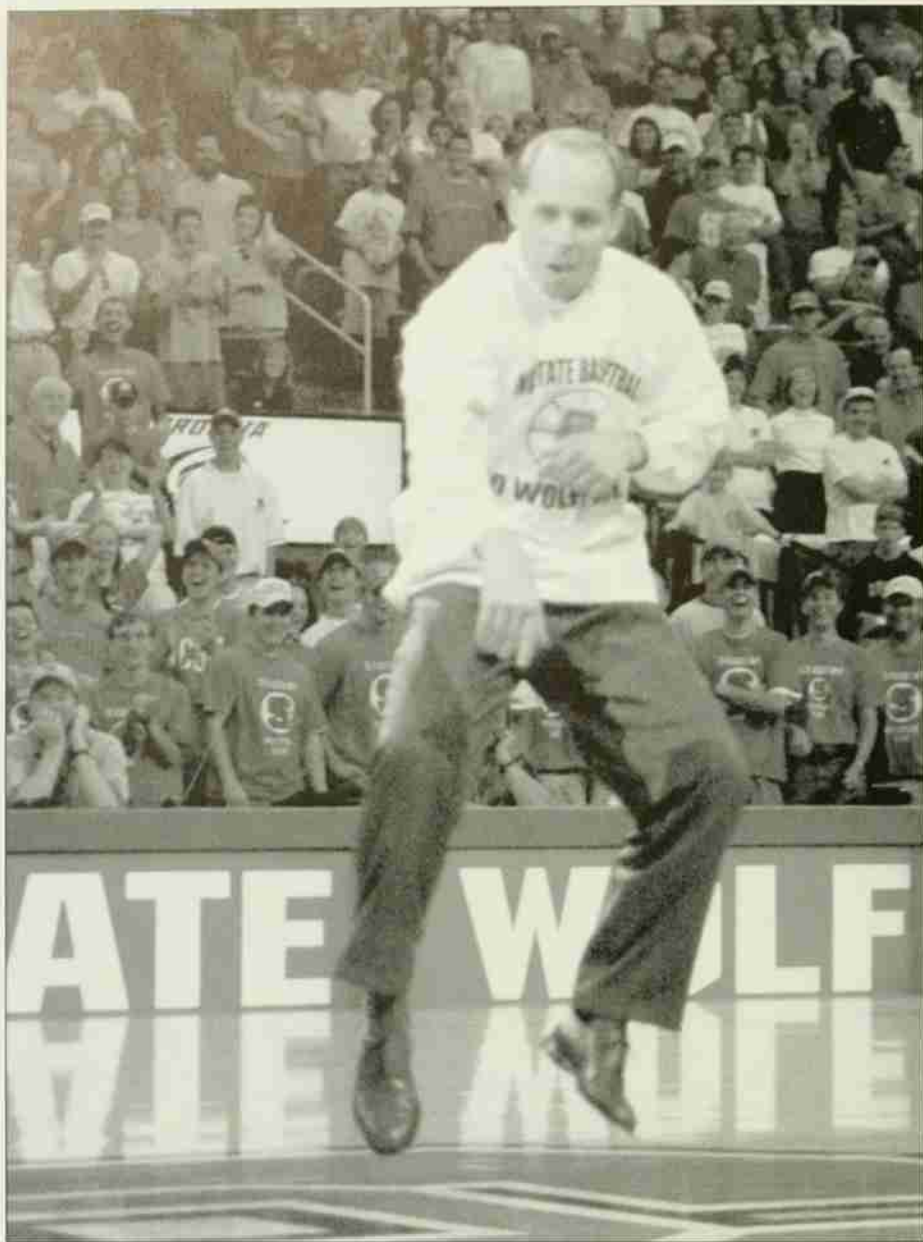
For long-suffering supporters of N.C. State basketball, the 2000-01 season was supposed to be the year the Wolfpack returned to glory and the NCAA Tournament. ¶ After four straight appearances in the NIT, State appeared to have the talent, depth and experience to reach the next level. The Wolfpack entered the year with four seniors in the frontcourt — Kenny Inge, Damon Thornton, Ron Kelley and Cornelius Williams. The team brought back talented players like juniors Archie Miller and Anthony Grundy and sophomores Damien Wilkins and Cliff Crawford. With highly touted freshmen Scooter Sherrill, Marcus Melvin, Michael Bell and Trey Guidry entering the mix, the Wolfpack was ready for a breakthrough season. ¶ Unfortunately, what could have been a memorable year fell apart before it could go anywhere. Off-court problems, injuries and sheer bad luck dropped the Wolfpack to 13-16 and left its long-suffering fans scratching their heads. ¶ The year got off to a rough start for State on and off the court. Thornton was arrested in October and charged with DUI. He pleaded guilty to the charges and was suspended for the first semester. Upon his return, he was not allowed to start any game except Senior Day at the ESA. ¶ Meanwhile, the Wolfpack struggled out of the gates against its non-conference schedule. State won the season opener against Penn 77-64 in the CoSIDA Classic at the ESA. But the following night, Charlotte dropped the Wolfpack 95-78, and four days later, Fresno State blew out State 82-63 in the Hall of Fame Tip-Off. ¶ State recovered to win its next three in a row, including an 84-76 win in the ACC/Big Ten Challenge over Penn State, which later upset North Carolina in the NCAA Tournament. The win streak moved to four when Grundy hit a buzzer beater against UNC-Greensboro for a 77-76 victory. But the Wolfpack dropped its final major out-of-conference game before the start of the conference season, losing at Georgia 68-63. ¶ The Wolfpack headed to Virginia for the ACC opener with an 8-3 record. State looked like it would improve on that record, leading the Cavaliers most of the way while shooting 61.2 percent from the floor. Foul trouble and turnovers cost the Wolfpack in the end, however, as the team fell 88-81. The loss would establish an all-to-familiar pattern for State. ¶ State went back to the ESA for its next ACC game against Duke and met similar results, falling 84-78. That loss dropped the Wolfpack to 0-2 in the conference. The news got even worse afterwards when Sendek announced that Miller, who was leading the nation in three-point shooting at the time, suffered a stress fracture in his leg in practice the day before. The



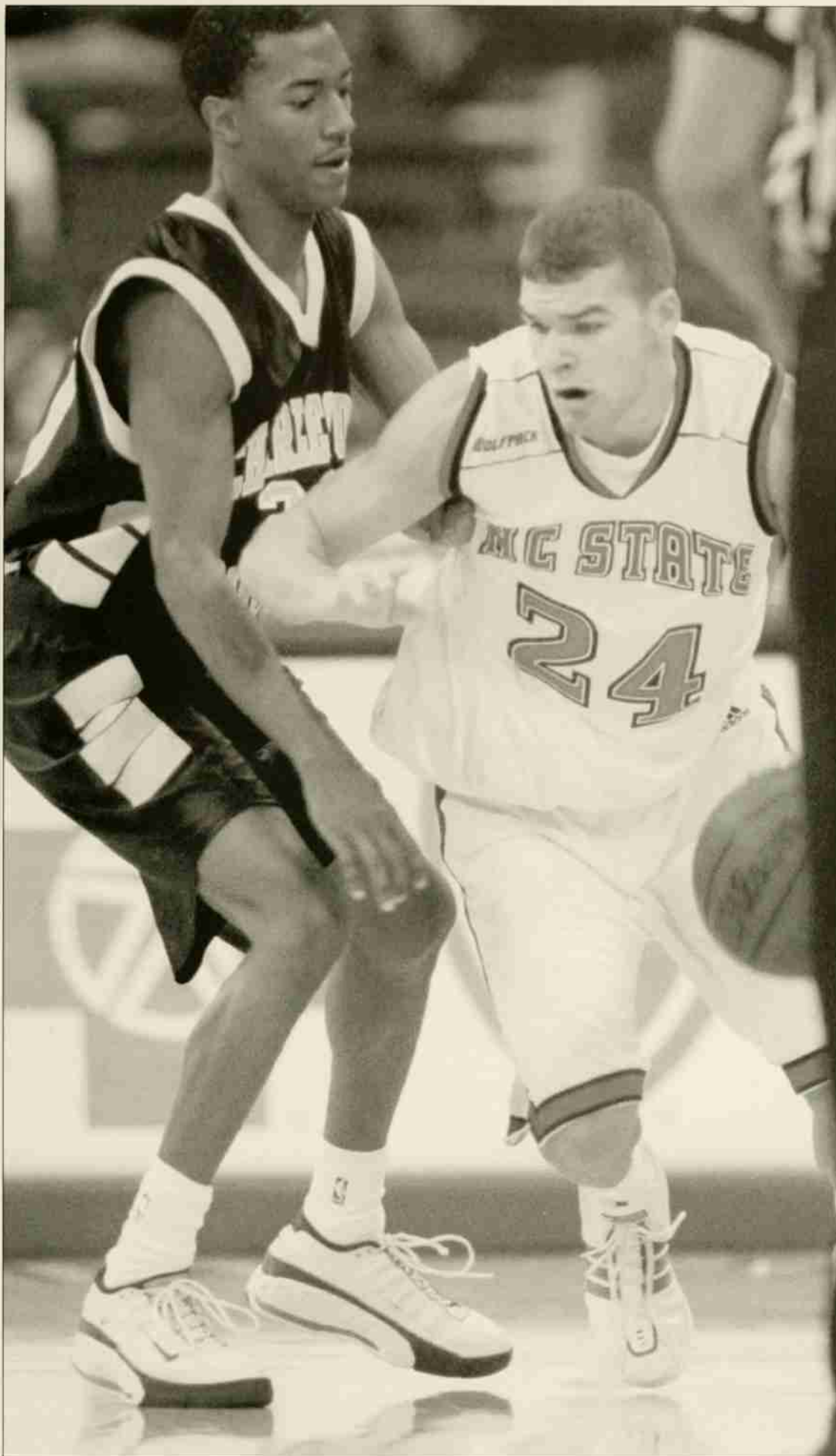




5-9 sharpshooter was forced to the bench for the next month, a loss that would hurt the team in the weeks to come. ¶ The Wolfpack split its next two games, losing at Clemson and at home against Maryland while beating Georgia Tech in the ESA and Florida State on the road. With a 2-4 conference record, State headed into its worst stretch of the season — five games against teams ranked in the top 15 in the country. ¶ The run began Jan. 28 against archrival North Carolina at the ESA. Despite trailing the whole game, State pulled to within one with just 1:51 left in the game. But the Tar Heels scored the final seven points of the game to escape with a 60-52 win. ¶ Three days later, the Wolfpack took on Wake Forest on the road. After falling behind by 16 early in the second half, State rallied behind Guidry's three-point shooting in his first career start to take a three-point lead with seconds to play. Wake managed to send the game to overtime, however, and survived the upset with a 74-69 victory. ¶ Syracuse was next on the Wolfpack's schedule, and once again, State nearly walked away with a high-profile win. For 35 minutes, State controlled the game, but the Orangemen stormed back from an 11-point deficit in the final five minutes to claim a 54-53 win. ¶ Following all the near misses against top-ranked teams, State finally broke through at the ESA on Feb. 7 against Virginia. Led by Kenny Inge's career-high 29 points and Damien Wilkins' 21 points and seven assists, the Wolfpack upended the Cavs 90-80. State went into the half leading 36-24, but this time, it refused to relinquish the lead. Sendek's team shot an outrageous 71 percent from the floor in the second half, securing the victory and touching off a wild post-game celebration on the court. ¶ The highlights were few and far between for State after the emotional win against Virginia. With a shot at the post-season still on the line, State lost six of its final eight games, beating only ACC cellar dwellers Clemson and Florida State. ¶ As the season neared its conclusion, rumors that Sendek would be fired intensified. Despite intense pressure, Athletics Director Lee Fowler elected to bring Sendek back for a sixth season as the Wolfpack's head coach. ¶ In the end, the best news that may have come out of the season was on the recruiting front. Sendek was able to attract a top five recruiting class to State, including McDonald's All-American Julius Hodge. ¶ The conclusion of the season didn't bring much relief for the basketball program. Top assistant Sean Miller left for Xavier, and Guidry and Wilkins both transferred to other schools. A few players enjoyed solid individual years. Grundy led the team in scoring with 14.6 points per game, and Inge averaged 11.9 points and 7.2 rebounds per game in his final season in Raleigh. It was a building season many Wolfpack fans were happy to see end. *Thompson*









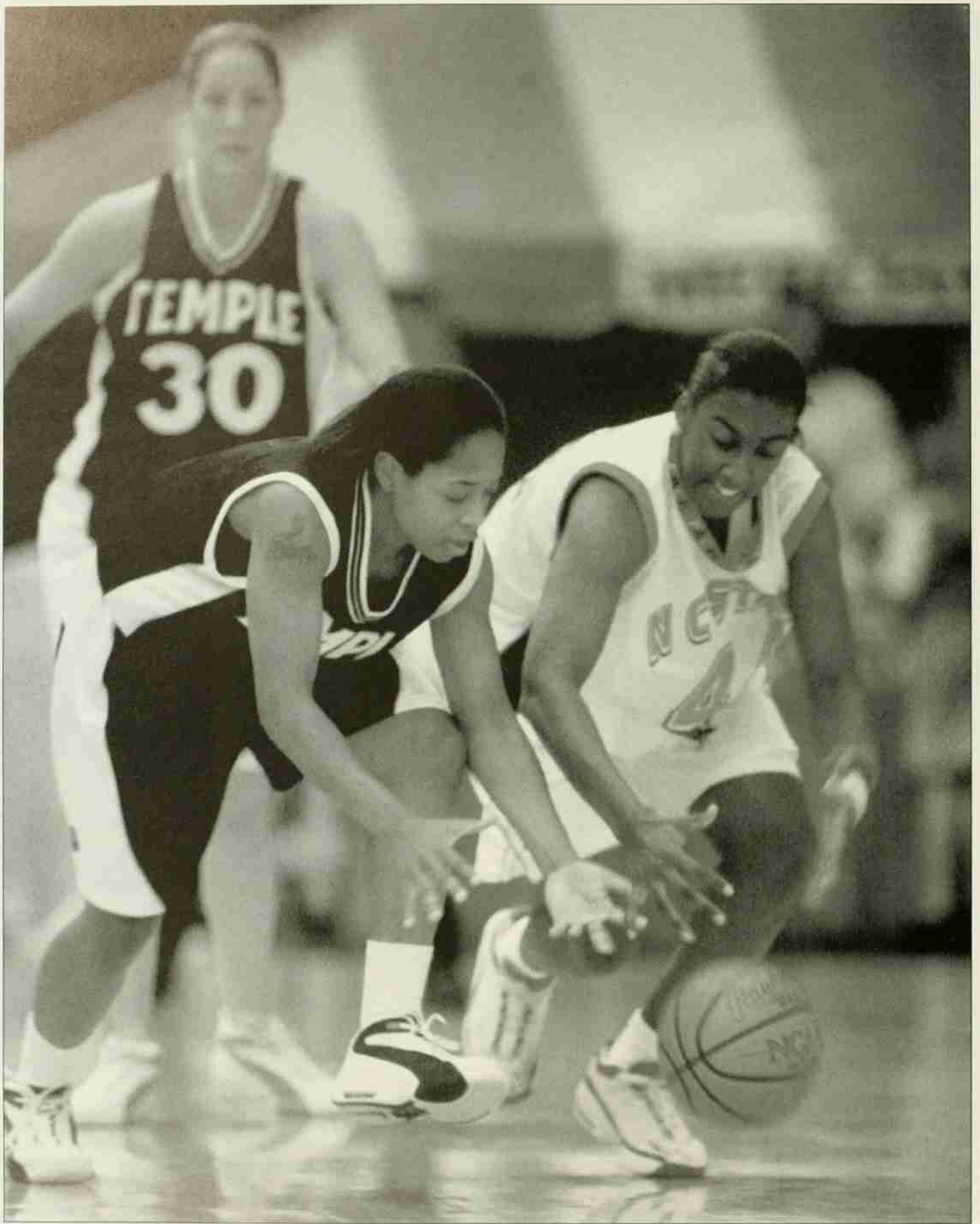
# SHARING THE ESA

The Entertainment and Sports Arena will have a name by the start of the 2001-02 Wolfpack basketball season. ¶ After more than a year of meetings, negotiations, and disputes, the N.C. State Board of Trustees, the Centennial Authority and Gale Force Holdings, the parent company of the Carolina Hurricanes, reached an agreement on Dec. 19 for the distribution of revenue generated from the sale of the naming rights to the ESA. ¶ The Raleigh City Council referred the agreement to a committee for final review and approval on Jan. 8, said University Counsel Mary Beth Kurz. ¶ The Dec. 19 agreement came on the last possible day for such an agreement to be passed. Since the Raleigh City Council had approved the ESA naming rights revenue distribution proposal 60 days prior to Dec. 19, the city's approval of the proposal would have been nullified if an agreement was not reached by Dec. 19. ¶ Under the agreement, NCSU will receive \$10 million to pay back the donor of the original \$10 million that the university used to finance the arena's construction, said Chancellor Marye Anne Fox. ¶ Fox said that when the plans for the construction of the ESA were originally underway, NCSU was granted ownership of all naming rights to the arena in exchange for revenue raised from the Wolfpack Pride Campaign. Therefore, NCSU was required to repay the \$10 million to the donor when the university chose to relinquish the naming rights. ¶ "We had to get \$10 million back so that we could give it to the donor," said Fox, "and we agreed that we would transfer the naming rights to the Centennial Authority if they would return the money [to the university] over 10 years." ¶ "[The Centennial Authority] doesn't have the money, and we don't have it because it is invested in the arena, so we had to borrow it with interest," she said. ¶ The \$10 million will be paid back to NCSU at 6.75 percent interest over the next 10 years, said Fox. ¶ Beginning in year 11, the university will receive 11.88 percent of the remaining revenue from the sale of the ESA naming rights, money which will be used both for renovations and improvements of NCSU's share of the arena and for the upkeep and improvement of parking areas at both the arena and Carter-Finley Stadium, said Kurz. ¶ said these improvements will take place within the first 10 years, however, and the revenue that the university will receive beginning in year 11 will, therefore, be used as a reimbursement to the university for the costs of such upgrades and improvements. ¶ In addition, Raleigh and Wake County have agreed to invest the 38 percent of the naming rights sale revenue that they will receive in an improvement fund to finance future renovations to the arena, said Fox. ¶ "[NCSU] has given major concessions, with no income for us," she said.

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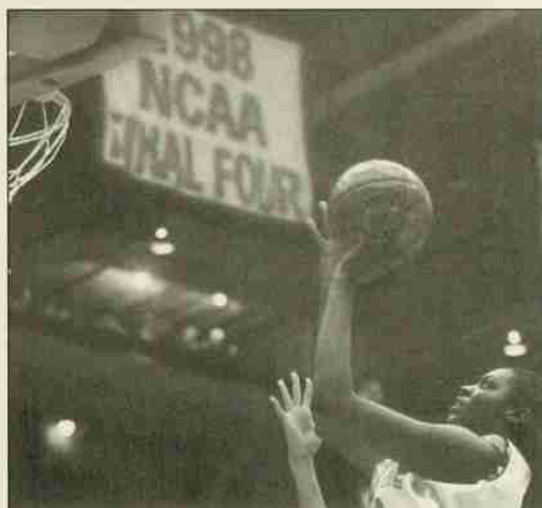
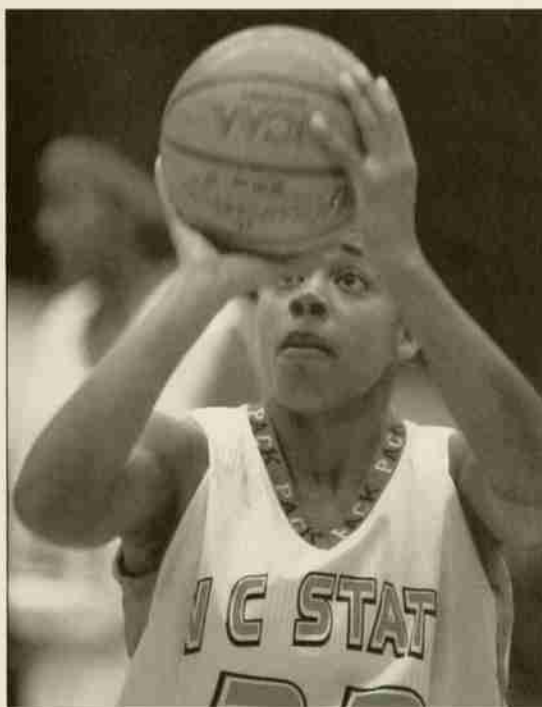
the revenue generated from the sale of the naming rights to the ESA has been reached, the Hurricanes have been given the responsibility to search for a corporate partner to purchase the ESA naming rights, said Hurricanes President Jim Cain. ¶ "Now that the political issues have been settled, we are in place to go out and find the right sponsor," he said. ¶ The agreement requires that the ESA be officially named by or before the start of both the Wolfpack basketball season and the Hurricanes hockey club season in October. ¶ The agreement resolves all of the points of contention between the three parties, including several that had become major issues as the Dec. 19 deadline for passage of the agreement neared. ¶ The university will not be required to pay any additional money for the use of the Jumbotron or for the costs associated with changing the practice floor, said Kurz. In addition, NCSU will receive the portion of revenues from the sale of arena suites that the university was granted in their original contract. ¶ "The Hurricanes pledged to pay NCSU 15 percent of the suite revenue," said Fox. ¶ Wolfpack basketball will also receive scheduling preference for use of the arena. ¶ Before the Dec. 19 agreements was reached, the issue of suite revenue was brought to the forefront when NCSU withheld \$129,000 of ESA rent money because the university had not received the 15 percent of suite revenue that the Hurricanes were required to pay to them by September, said Fox. ¶ "The university is given the contractual right to withhold the rent if we have not received our portion of the suite revenue from the Centennial Authority," said Kurz. ¶ "It was not a dispute. We followed the contractual rights of our suite agreement." ¶ Cain attributed the error to an "internal miscommunication." ¶ "We didn't write the check," he said. ¶ Cain said that when he found out that NCSU had not been paid, he notified the Hurricanes' chief financial officer, who wrote a check to the university. ¶ "We paid when I found out [about the error], and NCSU paid their rent when they received the check," said Cain. *Buchert. Technician. January 11, 2001*

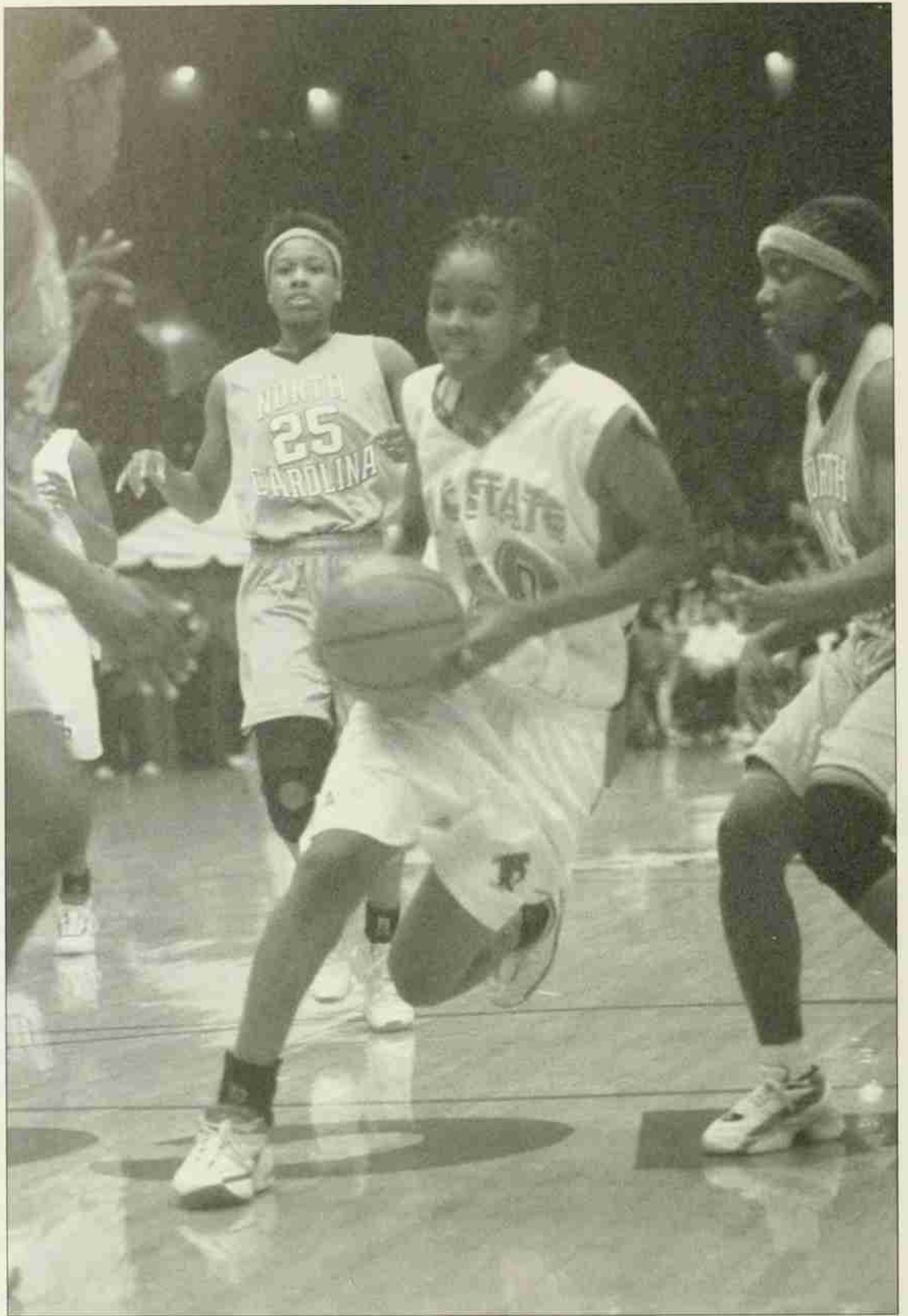




# LADY WOLFPACKS

The women's basketball team followed a long and winding path to success in the 2000-01 season. After limping through the first half of the year, the Wolfpack put together a record-setting run to finish one of the most successful campaigns in recent history. Kay Yow's club won seven of its last eight regular season games, advanced to the Atlantic Coast Conference Tournament final and reached the NCAA Tournament's Sweet Sixteen. ¶ The season got off on the wrong foot, literally. Leg injuries to probable starters Kaayla Chones and Terah James hampered the team's depth and chemistry on the court. Both players decided to redshirt the entire season, leaving the Wolfpack shorthanded inside and out. ¶ Filling in for the injured Chones, sophomore Carisse Moody emerged as the team's leading scorer and averaged 14.9 points per game. Although undersized at 6-foot-1, Moody performed well under the basket. She led the Wolfpack in scoring 14 times during the season and led the team in rebounding, averaging 7.1 per game. By the end of the year, Moody had garnered a number of accolades, including second-team All-Atlantic Coast Conference and Associated Press honorable mention All-America awards. ¶ Despite the injuries and adjustments, the Wolfpack opened the season by winning nine of its first 10 contests, even though it played an extremely difficult non-conference schedule. The early-season run included wins over then-No. 8 Texas Tech and tough Arkansas and Arizona State teams. The Wolfpack climbed to as high as No. 12 in The Associated Press poll. Hall-of-Fame coach Yow provided a midseason highlight with her 600th career victory in a win over Temple on Jan. 11. ¶ As the season continued and ACC play began, the Wolfpack started to stumble. The team suffered separate losing streaks of three and four games. The Wolfpack lost to conference foes Florida State, Virginia and Clemson in the span of less than a week. An overtime road loss to North Carolina and a close home setback against nationally ranked Iowa State were especially disappointing. After a one-point home loss to Maryland, the



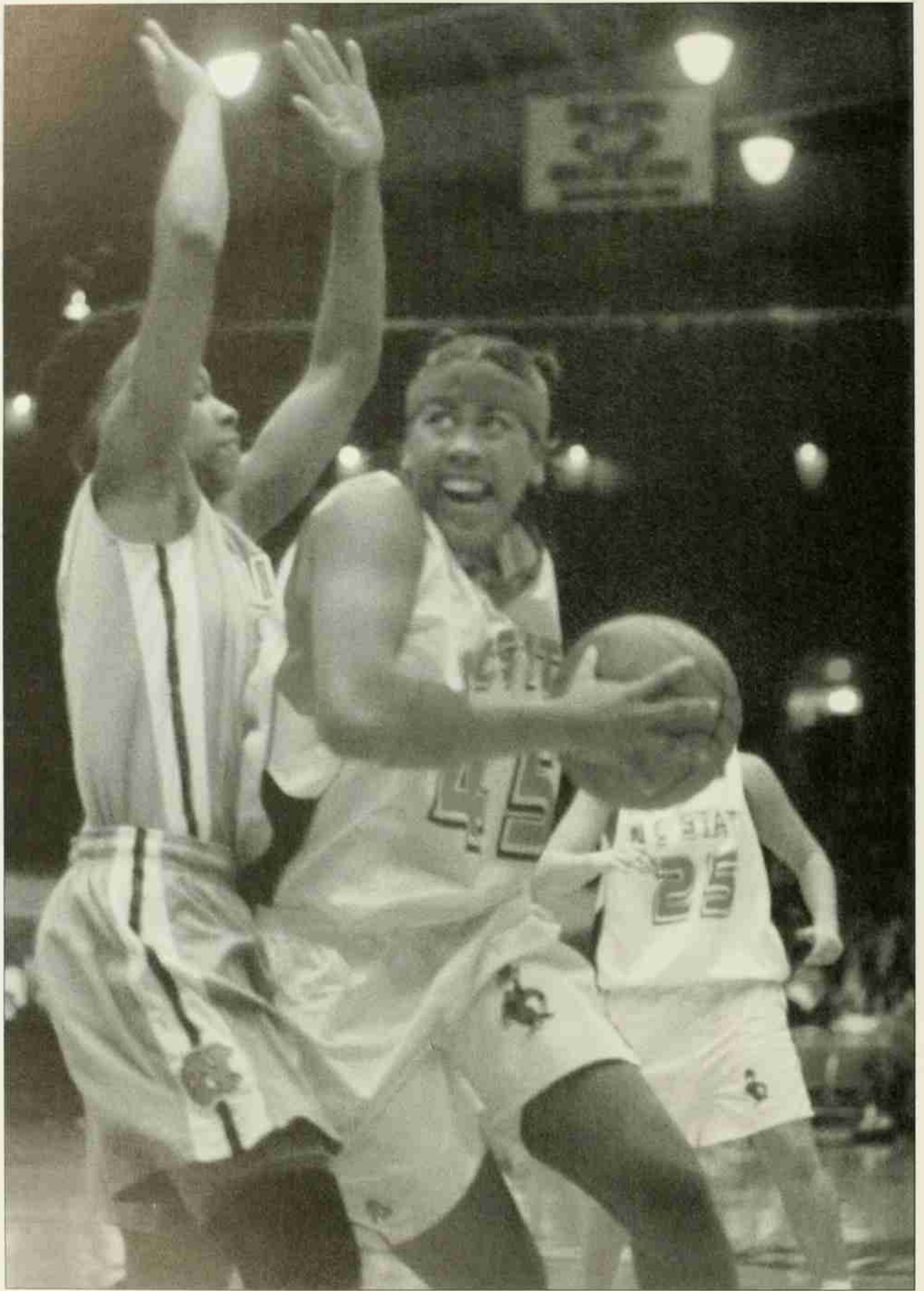




Pack had a disappointing 2-6 record in league games halfway through the ACC season. Poor shooting and close losses became the norm. A 57-56 loss to Maryland in Raleigh on Jan. 25 was the Wolfpack's seventh loss in nine outings. ¶ There were bright spots, however. The injury to James provided an opportunity for sophomore Ivy Gardner to excel. Gardner stepped into the starting lineup and spearheaded State's defense, which was among the nation's best, allowing only 58 points per game. Gardner was named to the ACC All-Defensive Team, and late in the season, she also picked it up on the offensive end, scoring in double figures in seven of the team's last 10 games. ¶ Just when it looked like things couldn't get any worse, Gardner went down with an injury midway through the season. As it turned out, however, her injury turned out to be a blessing in disguise. Tynesha Lewis, one of only two seniors on the team, shifted to the point guard spot and flourished immediately. In her first game at the position, Lewis recorded the first triple-double in school history. On Jan. 29 against Florida State, she did what no other Wolfpack basketball player had ever done, scoring 10 points to go along with 10 assists and 12 rebounds in the victory. For the season, Lewis averaged 13.5 points per game and was also named second-team All-ACC. It was the fourth consecutive year that she earned All-ACC honors. ¶ Less than a month later, Lewis posted another rare triple-double on Senior Day against North Carolina. In fact,

with her season-high 25 points plus 10 rebounds and 10 assists, Lewis did twice in the span of a month what no player, male or female, in school history had done in more than 90 years. Days later, the Wolfpack captured its sixth consecutive victory with a 69-55 dismantling of rival Duke in front of a raucous crowd of 8,327 in Reynolds Coliseum. After struggling through a sloppy first half, the Wolfpack erupted in the second, outscoring the Blue Devils 48-28 in the second half to erase a six-point halftime deficit. ¶ After the woeful first half of the ACC season, the Wolfpack won seven of its last eight to finish third in the conference with a 9-7 mark. The midseason turnaround was the biggest in ACC history. The Wolfpack rolled through Florida State, Virginia, Clemson, Wake Forest and Georgia Tech in five consecutive outings. After leading the ACC in scoring defense, the Wolfpack did falter in the latter half of a regular season-ending 75-54 loss to Maryland. The Terrapins were the only team the Wolfpack lost to twice during the entire season. The team's confidence was not shaken, however, and its momentum carried on into the postseason. ¶ Amy Simpson, who missed the first five games of the season with a knee injury, came on strong late in the season. The sophomore became the Pack's most consistent three-point threat and sparked several State comebacks off the bench. The Wolfpack finished the season with an impressive record of 22-11, its third 20-win campaign in the last four years.











# STAND BACK

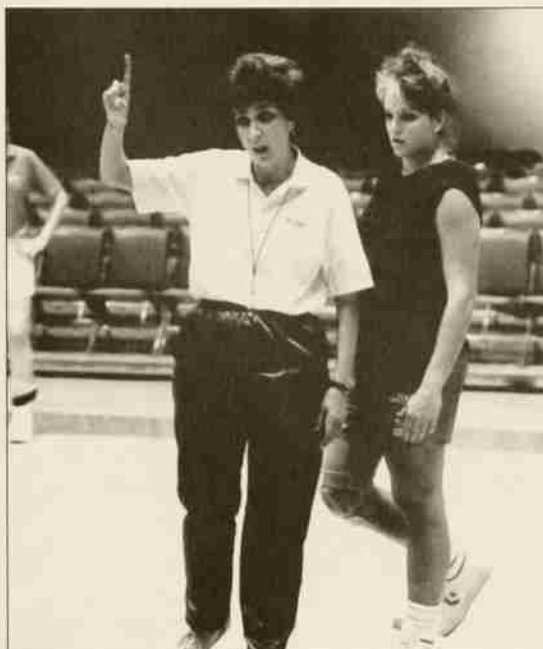
After winning seven of its last eight regular-season games, the Wolfpack's momentum carried over into the postseason. Three wins in the Atlantic Coast Conference Tournament vaulted the team into the final. A week later, victories in the first and second rounds of the NCAA Tournament sent the Wolfpack to the Sweet Sixteen. ¶ Kay Yow and the Wolfpack reached the ACC Tournament final for the first time since winning the conference championship in 1991. In the opening rounds against Maryland and Clemson, the Wolfpack avenged regular-season losses, led by the post play of Carisse Moody. Excellent free-throw shooting and big second halves keyed the victories. Duke stifled the Wolfpack en route to a 57-45 win in the championship game, but as a result of its run in the tournament, the Wolfpack garnered the fourth seed in the East Region of the NCAA Tournament. Historic Reynolds Coliseum played host to the first two rounds of the event, and the Wolfpack used its home-court advantage to beat Delaware and Villanova. In the opener, Amy Simpson and Christen Greene came off the bench to provide significant contributions as the Wolfpack prevailed 76-57. Two days later against Villanova, the team's season-long leaders, Tynesha Lewis and Moody, combined for 43 points and the Wolfpack grabbed a 68-64 win. Advancing to the Sweet Sixteen for the first time since 1998, the Wolfpack faced a daunting task in Pittsburgh. Connecticut, ranked No. 1 in the nation, awaited Yow's squad. The Huskies jumped out to an early lead and held on down the stretch to claim the victory, ending the Wolfpack's wild season. Despite the loss, the team finished its successful campaign by winning 11 of the last 14 games. *Moore*

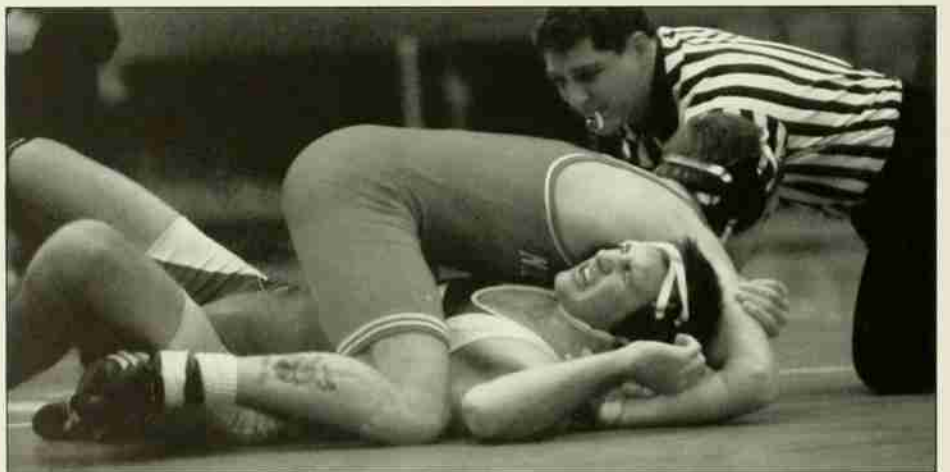
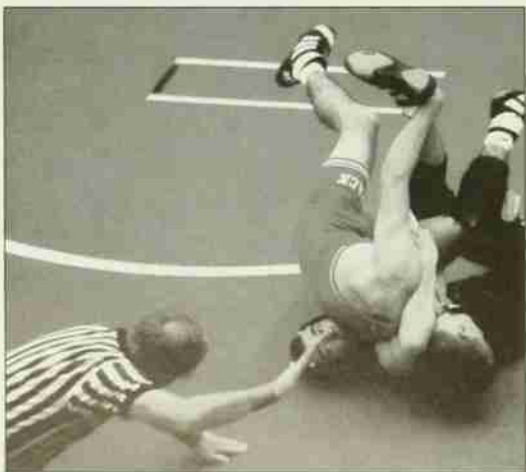
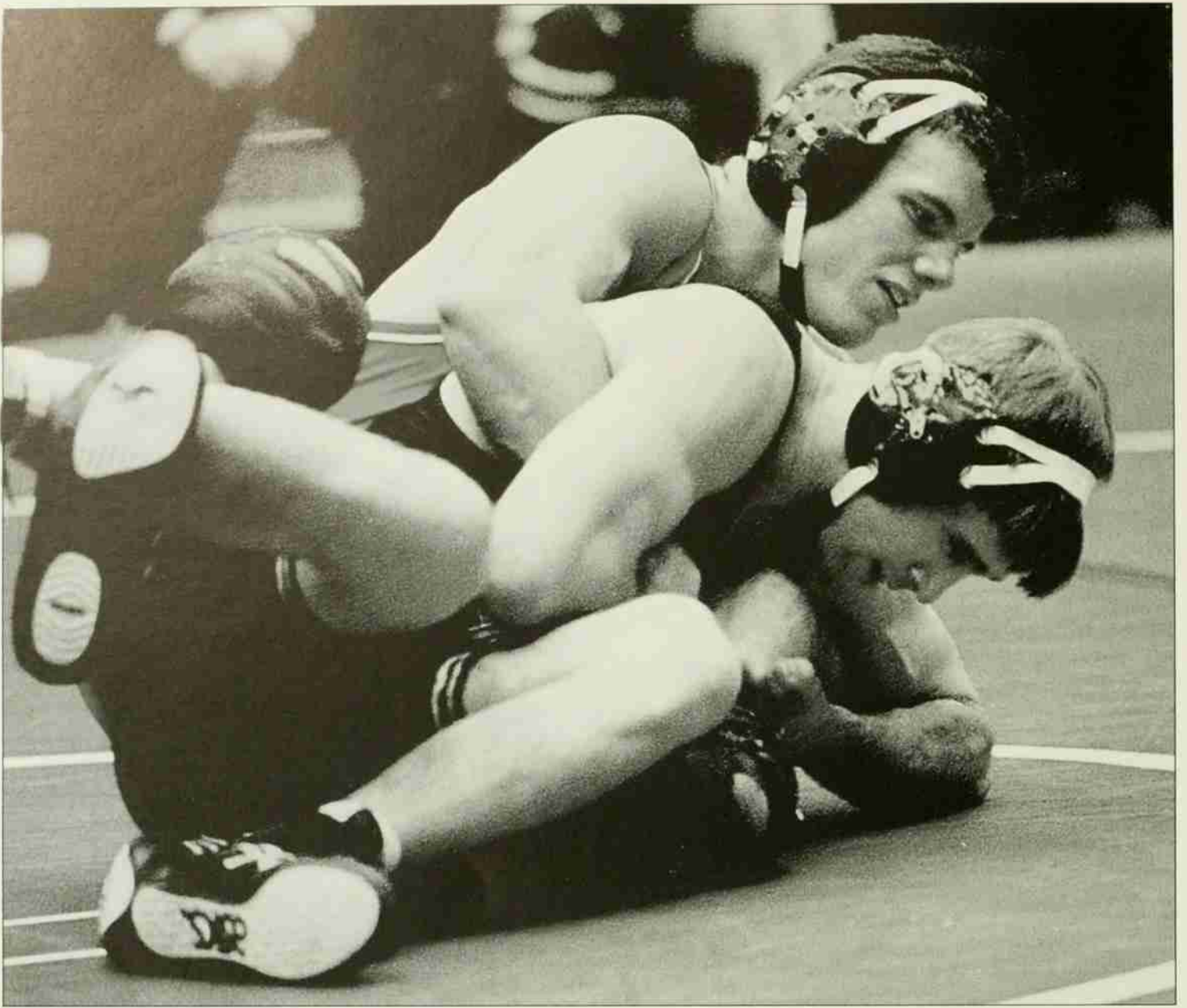




# 600 WINS

N.C. State women's basketball coach Kay Yow began her coaching career at Elon College. That was 30 years ago and now Yow has carved her name into the history books and into the legacy that surrounds Wolfpack athletics. ¶ On January 11, 2001, the moment everyone had been waiting for happened. As a team, the Pack made sure that it did what it had to do to secure Yow's 600th win. State led most of the way and towards the end fought off a comeback by Temple to beat the Owls 71-64. With the victory, Yow became only the fifth coach to reach such a mark, joining such names as Vivian Stringer of Rutgers and Tennessee's Pat Summitt. ¶ But the winning streak didn't stop there. Yow ranks fifth on the all-time wins list with 611 career victories. With the help of her guidance, the Wolfpack has made the NCAA Tournament 16 out of 20 years, including 10 Sweet 16 appearances and a 1998 Final Four appearance. ¶ Yow's success as a coach has earned her many awards and honors. The most recent of those being named National Coach of the Year by Sports Illustrated For Women and the John Wooden Coach of the Year Award, both awarded in 2000. In 1988, Yow's dedication to the game of basketball was acknowledged even further when she was inducted into the Women's Sports Hall of Fame, followed in 2000 with an induction into the Women's Basketball Hall of Fame. ¶ Now, Yow is one of 17 finalists up for induction into the Basketball Hall of Fame. Joining her are such household names as coaches Lute Olson (Arizona), John Chaney (Temple), and Mike Krzyzewski (Duke) and players Moses Malone and James Worthy. *Sellers*

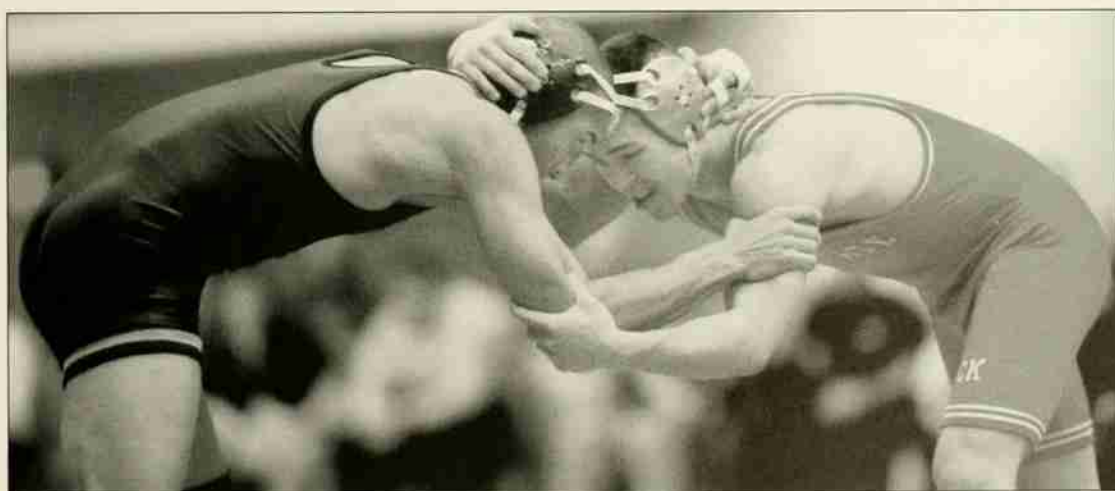
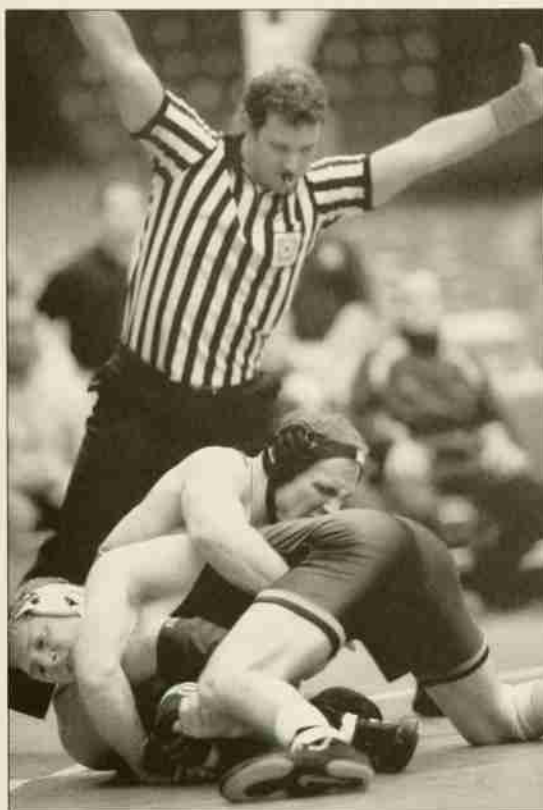




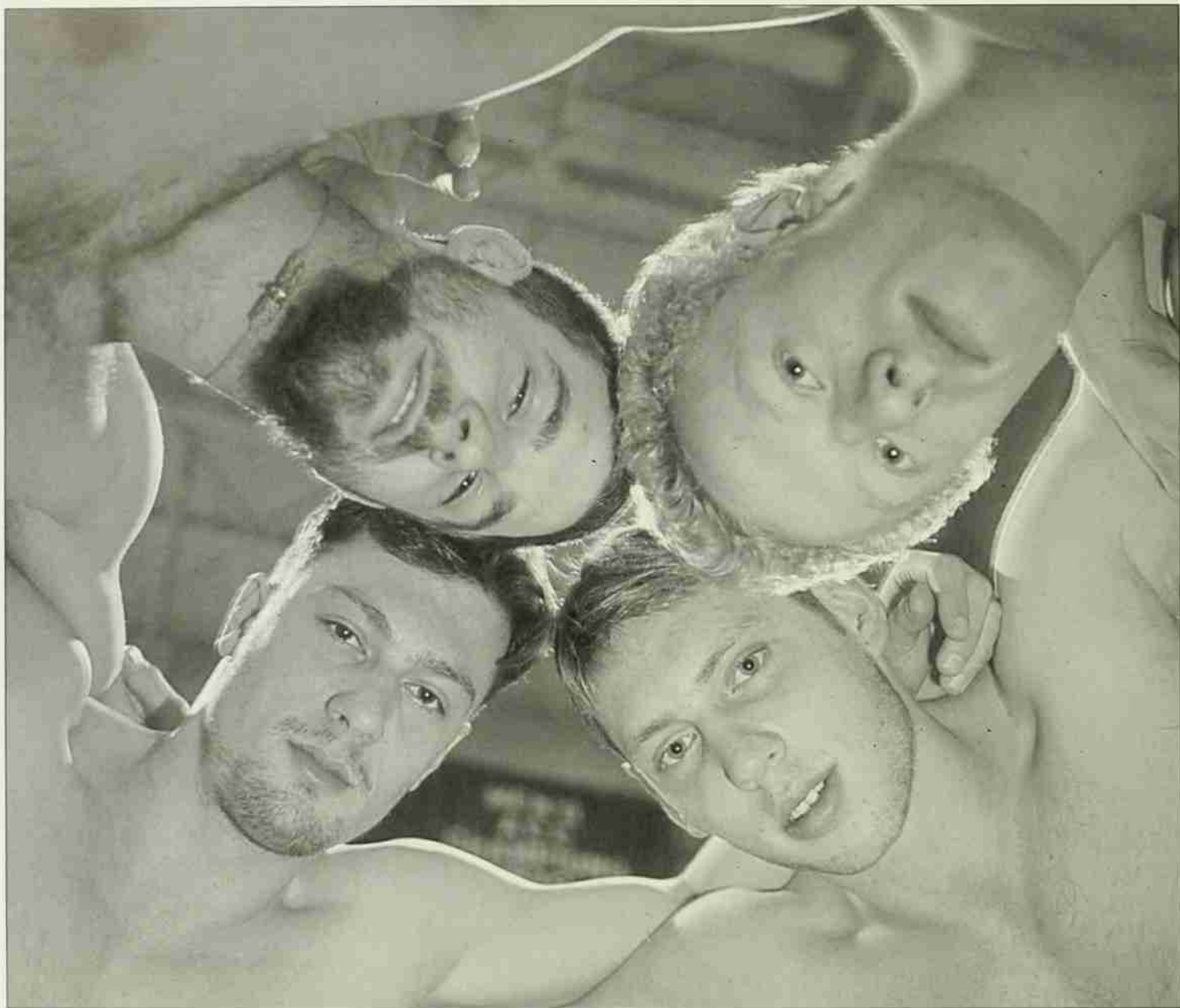


# WRESTLING

After coming out on top against all of its competitors in the Atlantic Coast Conference regular season and finishing second in the ACC tournament last year, the N.C. State wrestling team had much to look forward to at the beginning of the 2000-2001 season. ¶ With head coach Bob Guzzo back for his 26TH season at the helm, the Wolfpack was anxious to get off to a good start, while gaining necessary experience for several of its young wrestlers. ¶ The Pack, however, did get an early season wish to come true, with the return of veteran Pierre Pryor, who missed last season due to an injury. Pryor, the 1999 ACC champion at 157 pounds, picked up just where he left off, finishing the year with a record of 20-3 overall. ¶ Also helping to boost the leadership on the team was senior Zach Breitenbach. Having some minor setbacks at the beginning of the year, Breitenbach regained his composure to finish the regular season with an impressive 24-4 record, including 15 wins in a row. But the most influential win of the season came when Breitenbach and State traveled to Chapel Hill for the ACC tournament. ¶ From the beginning, three teams: Virginia, North Carolina, and State stood out from the rest, as they battled for the title. As the tourney drew closer and closer to naming a champion, destiny called Breitenbach's name. By defeating Clint Osborn of the Tar Heels, 8-2, Breitenbach provided the margin needed to pull past the Cavaliers, allowing the Pack to clinch the title, its 11TH overall. ¶ As a team, State placed six wrestlers in the finals with George Cintron (125), Pryor and Breitenbach all winning individual titles, while five other Wolfpack wrestlers earned second and third place finishes. To sweeten the season even more, Coach Guzzo was selected as the ACC coach of the year. *Sellers*



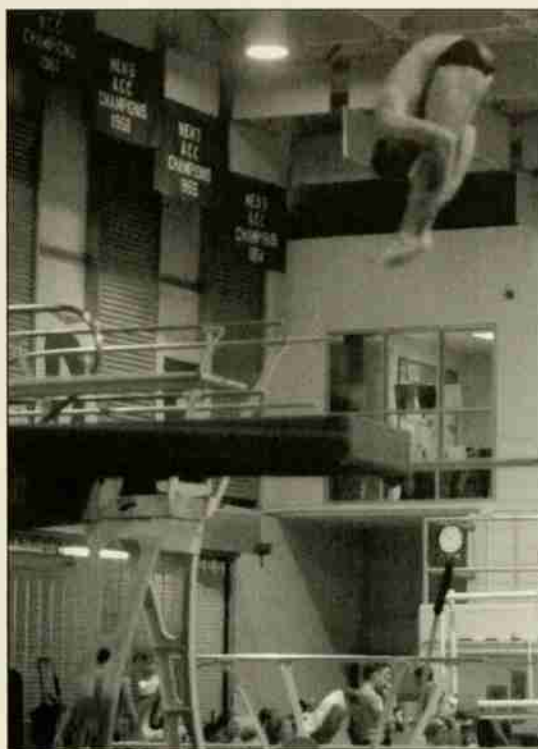


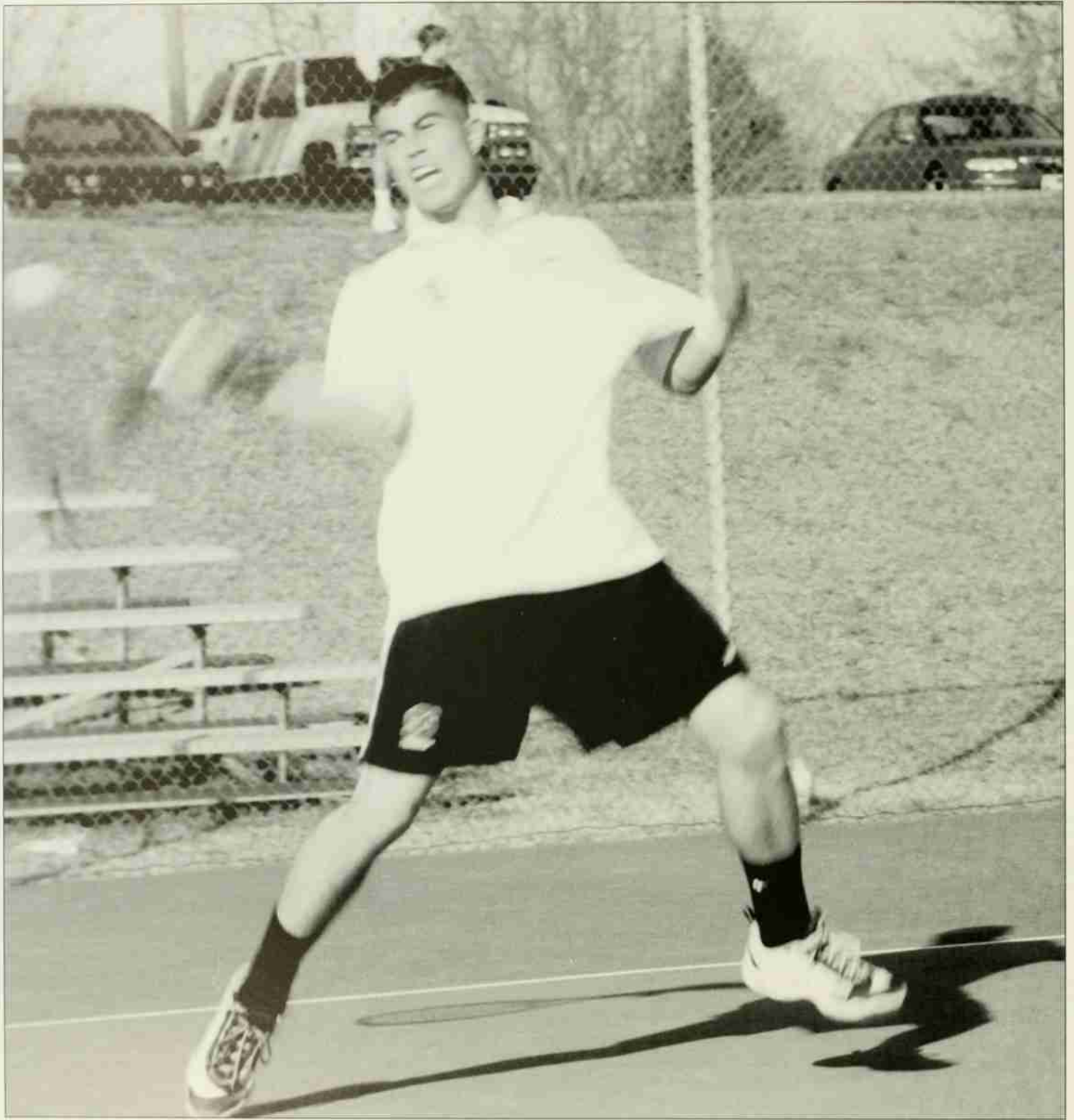


# MAKING A BIG SPLASH

A tumultuous offseason left the N.C. State men's and women's swimming and diving teams in disarray heading into the 2000-2001 season. ¶ The departure of head coach Scott Hammond and the subsequent transfer of a number of swimmers and divers left a huge void for new head coach Brooks Teal to fill. ¶ The season marked the beginning of the rebuilding, as Teal had just a few experienced swimmers to lead the Wolfpack. ¶ On the men's side, senior All-Americans Greg Solt and Braden Holloway provided much of the leadership for a side that was lacking in numbers as well as familiarity with top-level competition. ¶ Solt was coming off three ACC titles: the 50-yard freestyle and the 400-yard freestyle relay and the 200-yard medley relay. In 2001, Solt continued to be among the top 50-yard swimmers in the conference, despite being overcome in the ACC championships. ¶ Holloway was also defending an individual title in the 100-yard backstroke. And his success in the event didn't subside. Holloway — already the school record holder in the event — continued setting records this year, getting the pool record at the Willis Casey Aquatics Center (State's home facility) on senior day against Virginia Tech. ¶ The diving program also continued to be a strong point for the Pack. Freshman Pat Roberts took over where reigning Wolfpack ACC Champion Andy Johnson left off. On the women's side, Erin Bailey and Erin Lambie were among the leaders in the ACC throughout the season. ¶ The leading women swimmers were the experienced trio of Mary Mittendorf, Natalie Jones, and Annamaria Gadza. ¶ Mittendorf specialized in the individual medley races, also swimming

freestyle both as an individual and as a member of the State relay teams. Jones was the Pack's top breaststroke swimmer, ranking among the top 10 swimmers in the ACC. Gadza came on strong towards the final portion of the season, swimming the 200-yard backstroke for the Pack. ¶ While the swimming and diving programs weren't able to pull out a ton of victories in 2000-2001, the Pack showed that the tutelage of Teal would likely pay dividends in the near future.



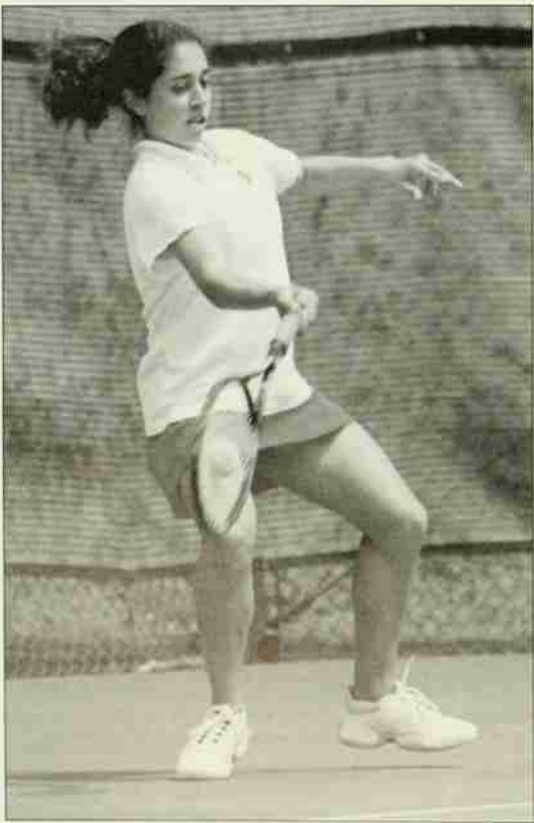
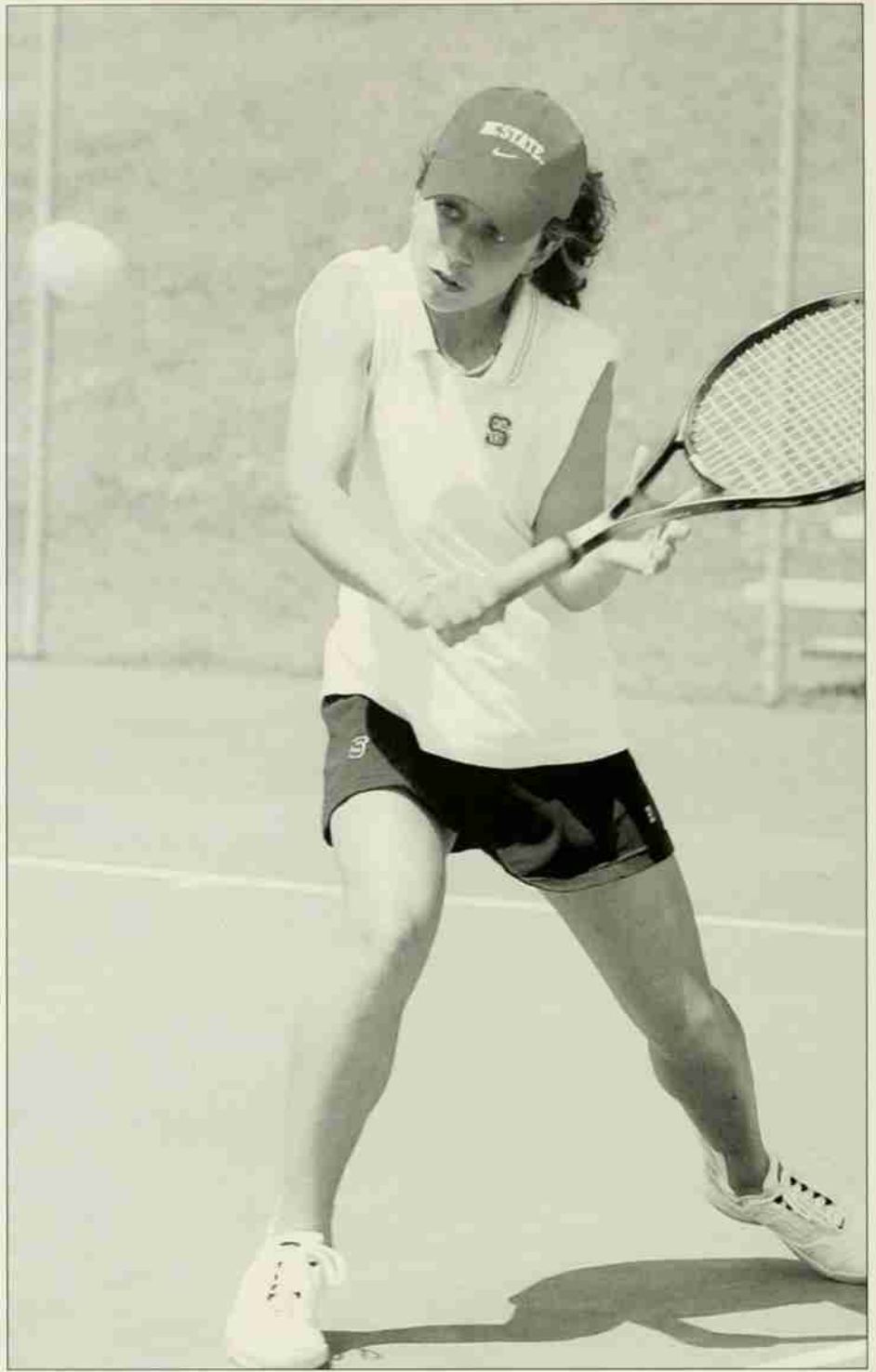




# MEN'S TENNIS

Despite being in position to win match after match, the N.C. State men's tennis team were not able to consistently pull out the close victories. ¶ State limped to a 6-18 finish to the regular season, with only one win coming in ACC play, a 7-0 slaughter of Maryland. The season came to a close at the ACC Championships, as State lost 4-0 to Clemson. ¶ The season got off to a rough start, as the Wolfpack went on the road for its first five matches of the season. The Wolfpack have been forced to travel early in the year, since State has not completed the indoor facility necessary for scheduling winter matches. ¶ Because of its travels, State was not able to return to Raleigh until the end of February. State subsequently picked up its first two wins of the spring season, beating American and High Point. ¶ The momentum was not carried into the ACC schedule, however. The Wolfpack struggled with inexperience, with top-seeded Eric Jackson being the only senior on the team. ¶ Jackson played admirably for a second straight season, earning his second consecutive All-ACC award. During his career at State, Jackson won 59 singles matches and 47 in doubles. Aside from Jackson, however, many of the Wolfpack players struggled. ¶ Second-seeded Matt Lucas was forced to miss much of the season with a bad back. Third and fourth seeded Michael Carducci and Reinaldo Valor both showed flashes of brilliance during the year, which should become more consistent in the future. ¶ The team dropped a number of close matches during the season, including matches against Virginia, Clemson and North Carolina. In addition, many of the team's single losses came in three sets. ¶ Luckily, however, the experience gained in 2001 should only make the Wolfpack a stronger program in 2002 and beyond.





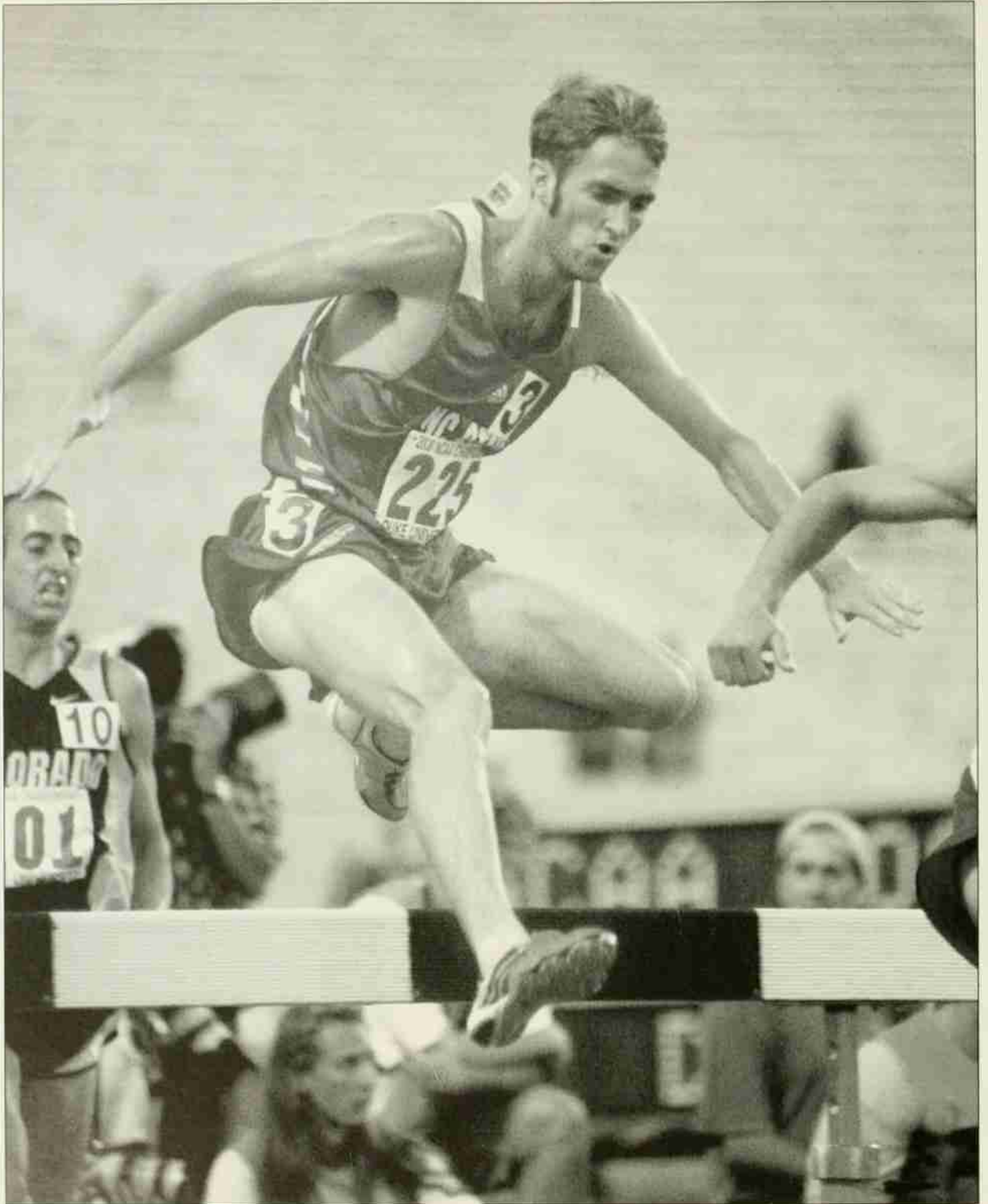
# LADY'S TENNIS

After years of struggling, the N.C. State women's tennis

team took many positive strides in 2001, jumping into the national rankings for a brief time and picking up its first conference victory under head coach Kay Louthian. ¶ But Rome wasn't built in a day, and despite its successes, the Pack had its share of defeats as well. After its 4-3 in over Clemson, State wasn't able to pick up another conference win all season, eventually falling to the Tigers in the first round of the ACC Championships. ¶ Playing on a team void of seniors, State was led by a trio of players who rotated playing the top seed for the Pack. Junior Katrina Gildemeister and freshmen Kristin Lam and Jackie Leskovar occupied the top three slots for most of the Wolfpack's matches, despite amassing a combined record of 14-34. ¶ The bottom three slots were occupied by Loni Worsley, Jennifer Jassawalla, and Myrna Bawano. Morgan Whitlock and Amanda Devore both played a match for State, with each winning that contest. ¶ State began its season by winning 7-0 against Wofford. The Wolfpack continued to play well early in the season, moving to 4-3 after defeating Clemson and jumping inside the top 70 rankings. ¶ Following a 7-0 win against Georgia State, however, State lost five straight matches. Despite beating East Carolina and Virginia Tech near the end of the season, State was unable to produce any more wins in the ACC and thus ended its season on an eight game ACC losing streak. ¶ The Wolfpack didn't lose any players due to graduation, although coach Louthian did retire at the end of the season — citing a desire to pursue other career goals. Thus, the Wolfpack will have a more experienced look in 2002 and a new coach to lead them to future success.



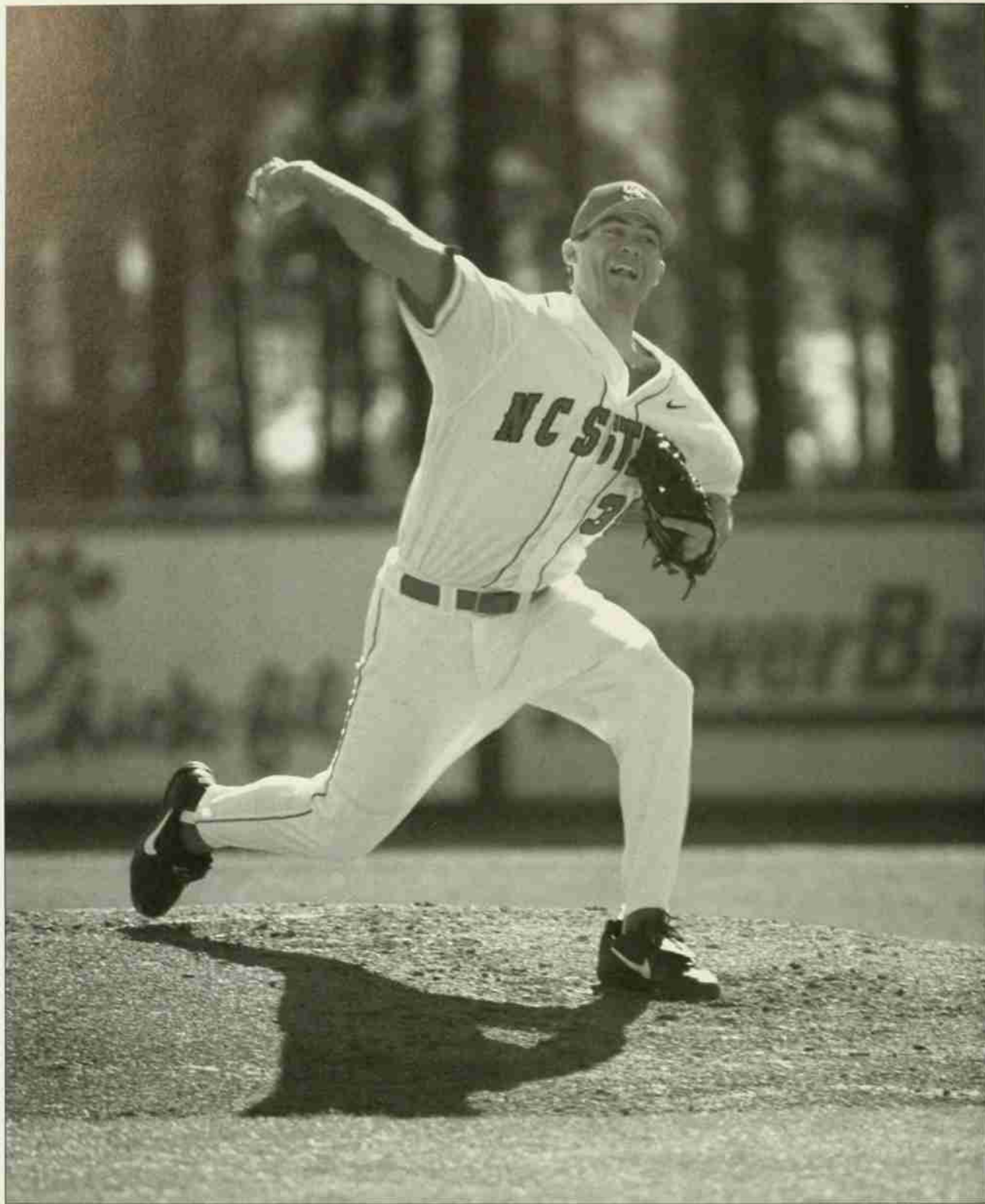




# TRACK & FIELD

The N.C. State men's and women's track teams kicked off the season indoors, as they competed against teams around the NCAA. At the Kroger Invite held on the campus of Virginia Tech, men's leader Chris Dugan made his first appearance of the season a positive one. Dugan, a two-time ACC Champion and all-American, finished just two seconds off of a NCAA provisional time in the mile to capture first place. Two other Pack runners, Ricky Brookshire (4th) and Abdul Alzindani (9th) also helped to add success in the distance running category. The women had some stars of their own in Annemarie Clark and Katie Bolac, who finished tenth and fifth respectively in the pole vault. Clark also finished 12TH in the 200 meters and 15TH in the 400 meters. ¶ The teams increased success as they went from running indoors to outdoors. At the Tar Heel Invitational, the men's and women's teams recorded many top 10 finishes in multiple events. Dugan set a career best time in the 1,500 meters to bring home a first place finish, while Diana Henderson had the Pack's top finish at second in the 3,000 meters. ¶ The Pack's season drew to a close at the USA Track and Field Outdoor Championships in Eugene, Oregon. State had three athletes; all runners in the 3,000-meter steeplechase, compete at this prestigious event. ¶ For the men, Dugan made his first ever appearance at the finals and recorded a time of 8:40.83, his personal best of the season and good enough for an impressive 11TH place finish. Meanwhile, the women had two stars of their own in junior Katie Sabino and freshman Megan Coombs, who redshirted the season, but managed to qualify for the championships. Sabino finished 0.09 of a second slower than the all-time ACC record she set at the NCAA championships, to finish in fifth place. Coombs, however, didn't manage to advance to the final, but did place eighth in her qualifying heat and 23RD out of 37 overall. *Sellers*





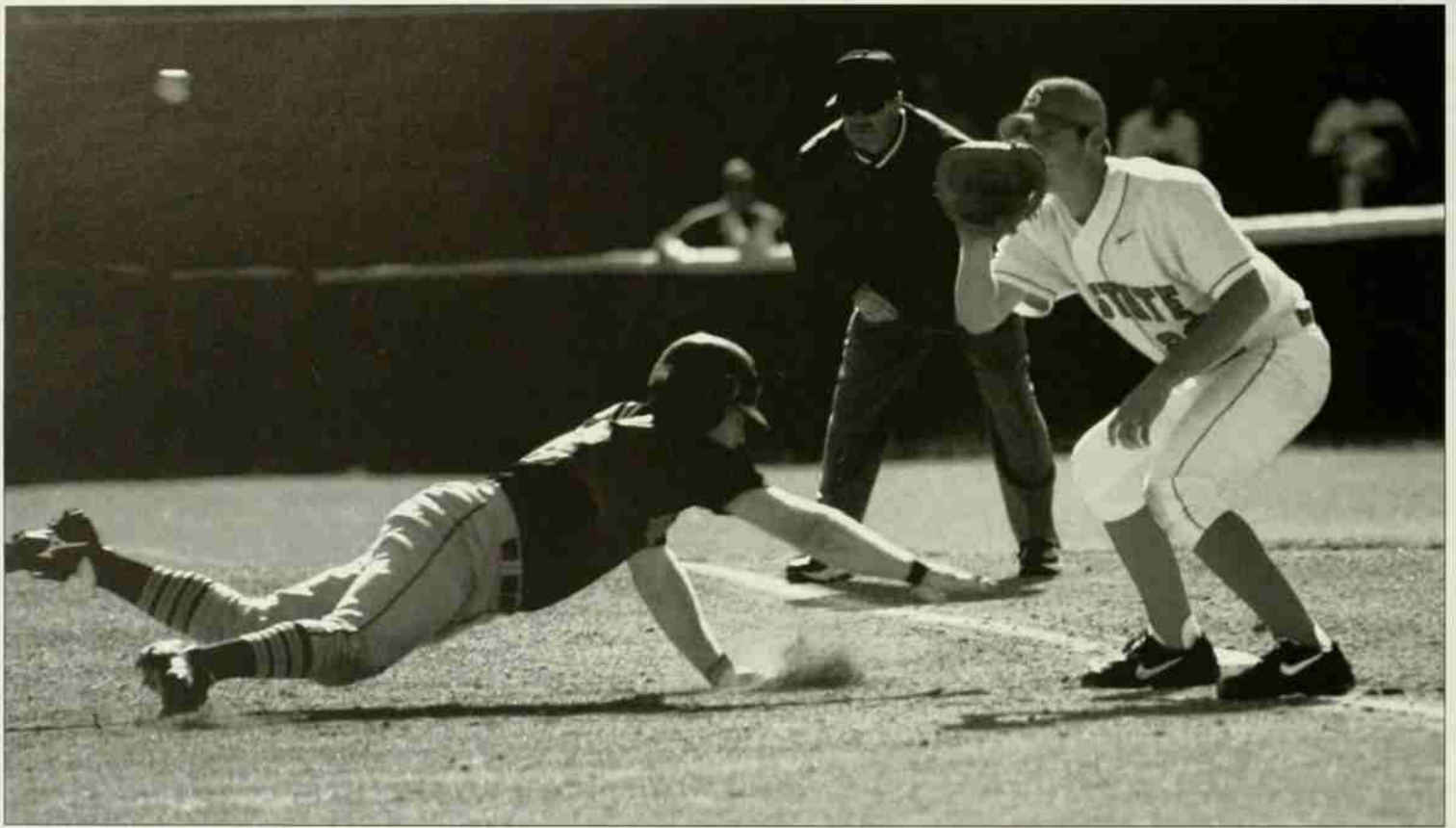
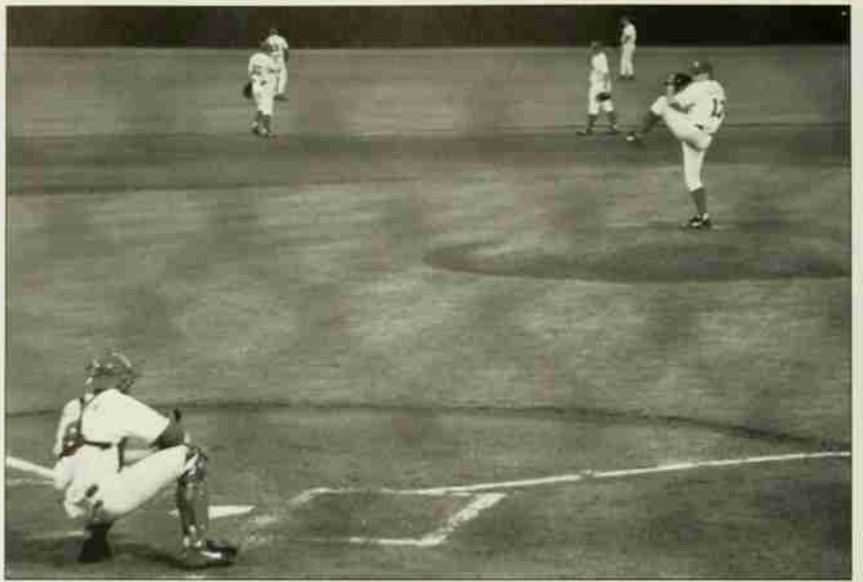


# PLAY BALL!

The final record read 32-29, including a less-than stellar 9-15 ACC record and 8th place conference finish. On paper, it seemed as somewhat of a disappointing year for NC State's traditionally strong baseball program. ¶ But that's only on paper. ¶ On the field, the Pack played with desire when other teams might have given up; they played with heart, despite numerous debilitating injuries, close losses and repetitive setbacks. ¶ And, in the end, the Wolfpack came within one win of seizing the ACC Tournament Championship. ¶ The season started on a high note for NC State, as sophomore Daniel Caldwell pitched a gem in a 4-3 victory over the Cincinnati Bearcats. But State, led by fifth-year coach Elliot Avent, managed just two more wins before the end of February. ¶ The Wolfpack put their poor start behind them, however, and played inspired baseball in early March. Freshman slugger Colt Morton hit two homeruns and drove in three runs to jumpstart the Pack to a much-needed win over Richmond in the first game of a double header on March 2ND. In the nightcap, All-ACC performer Brian Wright, a junior, hit a pair of homeruns himself, as the Pack won two in a row for the second time of the 2001 season. Local product David Hicks, a freshman of Raleigh's Broughton High School, hit a pinch hit, game-ending homerun in the bottom of the 10th inning to win State's next game, a 4-3 victory over Ball St., and the Pack had their first three game winning streak of the season. ¶ After defeating Ball St. again, the Pack traveled to Atlanta on March 9TH to face Georgia Tech, the nation's top-ranked team. State stunned Tech in the conference opener for both teams, as Justin Riley's RBI double in the 8th inning led the Red and White to a thrilling 9-7 win. Georgia Tech evened the series in Game 2, but State, behind another star performance from Brian Wright, exploded for 16 runs to topple the Jackets. Wright earned national player of the week honors after going 6-6 with 2 homeruns and 7 RBI in that victory. ¶ Despite the success that the Wolfpack enjoyed in Atlanta, not all was well in Raleigh. State soon learned that it would be without one of its top players in sophomore sensation Mike Prochaska. The southpaw Prochaska, who was coming off of a freshman campaign that landed him on the Freshman All-America team, was projected to hit in the middle of the lineup and anchor the pitching rotation. Instead, he only played in 11 games for the Pack and had season-ending surgery on his left arm. ¶ Two more lefty pitchers would have their seasons ended by the same surgery as Prochaska: Nate Cretarolo and Daryl Minugh. Infielder Matt Butler played half the season, and



then he too was lost for the year with a broken jaw. In all, State saw eight of its players miss time as a result of injuries. ¶ Though banged up and beaten down, State kept its poise through April. The Wolfpack beat perennial national power Florida State 4-2 behind a masterful performance from Dan D'Amato on March 17. It marked the Wolfpack's first conference victory of the year at Doak Field. The day before, State battled FSU for 14 innings before succumbing to a heartbreaking 8-7 defeat. ¶ State dropped the rubber-match to FSU, and was on the verge of being swept on the road by Virginia before Colt Morton and Daniel Caldwell came to rescue in a 10-3 win over the Cavaliers. Morton gave Caldwell all the offense he would need in driving in 4 runs as Caldwell pitched 6-plus innings of solid relief. The win over UVA started an 8 game winning streak for State, which would prove to be its longest of the year. ¶ Among those wins were two over a good UNC-Greensboro squad and one over UNC-Charlotte. Perhaps most impressive of them all, however, was the 16-9 spanking that the Pack dropped on the Tarheels of UNC-Chapel Hill. Another local freshman, Joe Gaetti, of Raleigh's Millbrook High School, knocked in three runs in the win over Carolina. Mike Sollie struck out eight and only allowed one hit in shutting

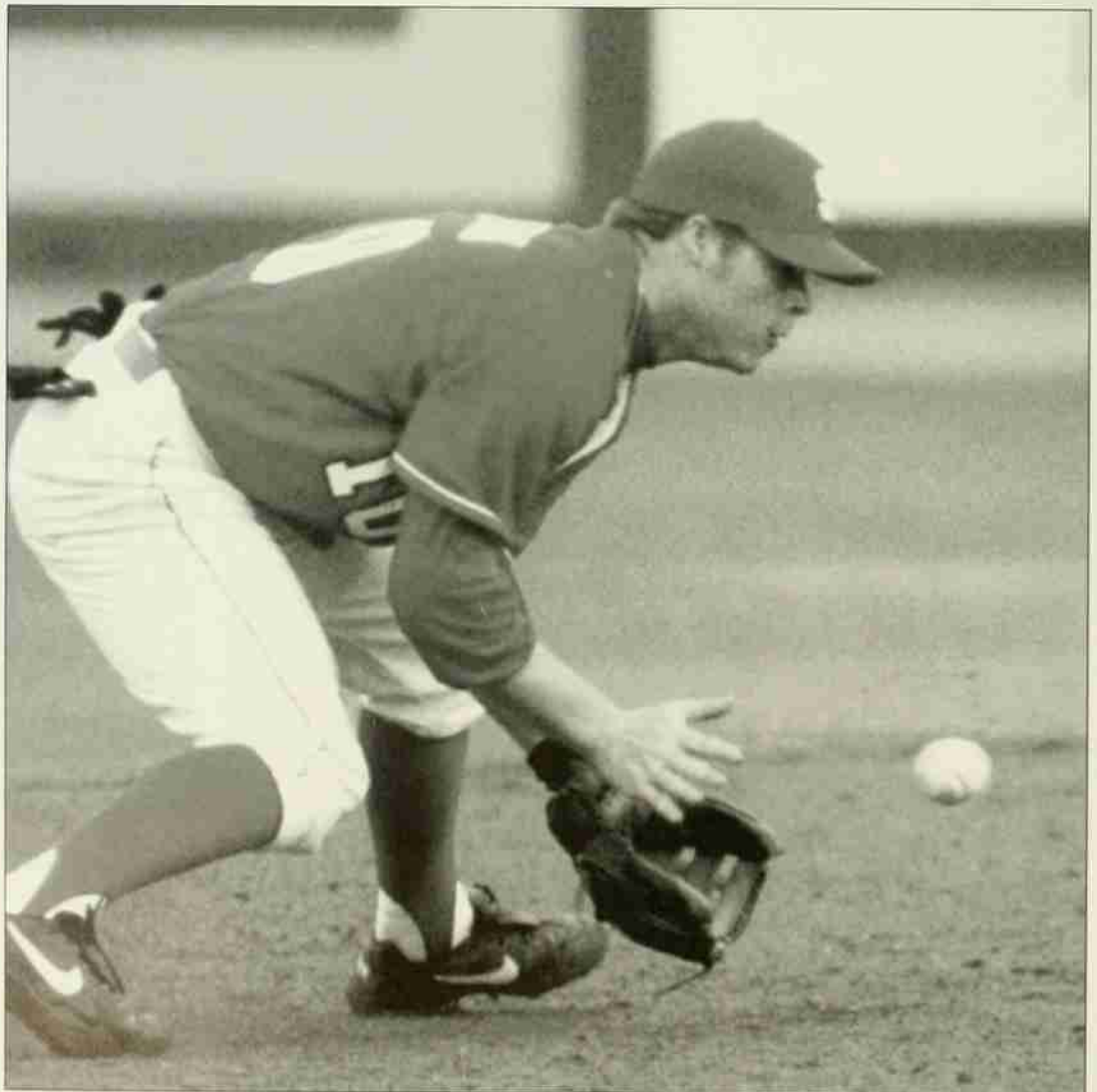
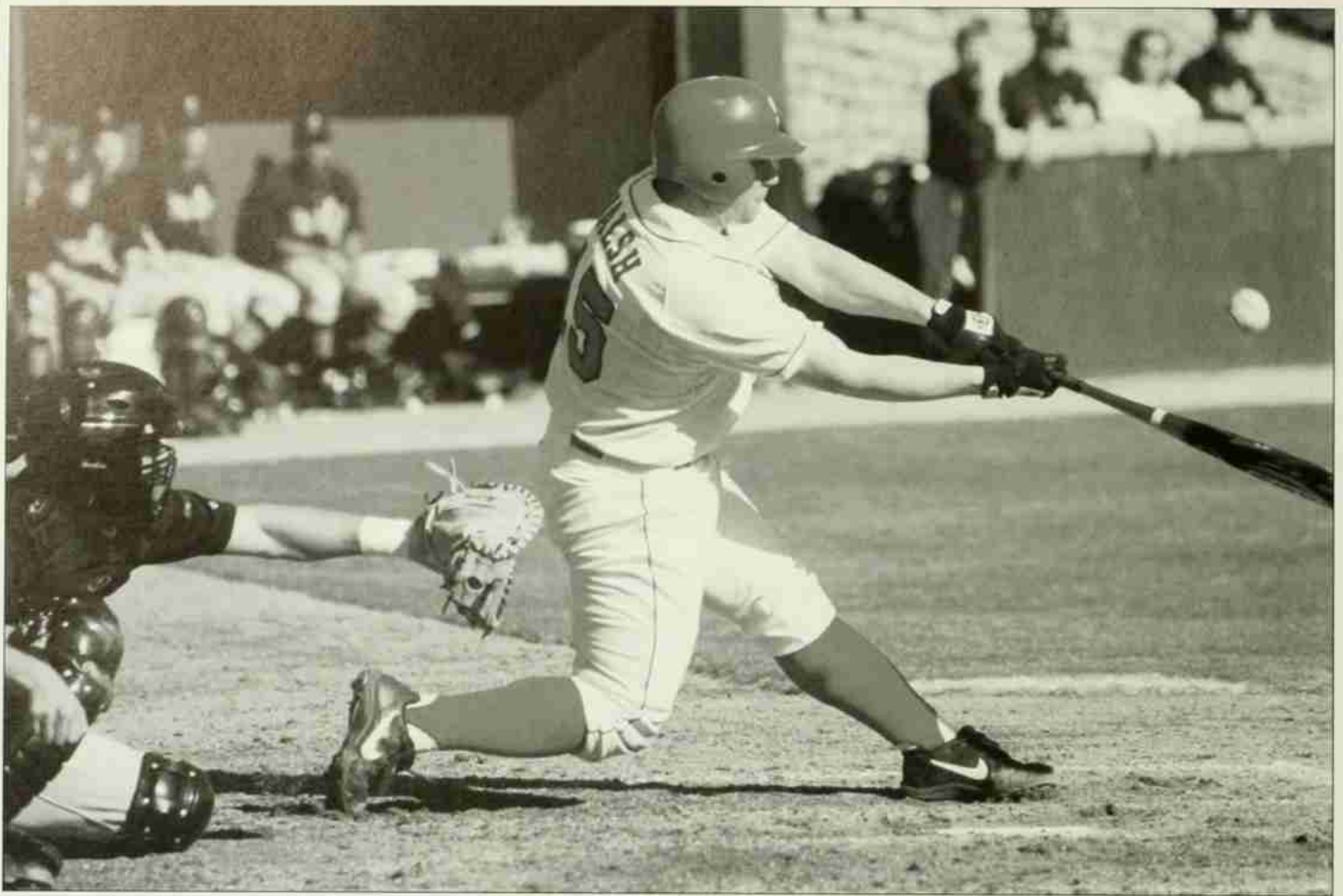






down UNC over the last 4 and  $\frac{2}{3}$  innings. ¶ After State defeated Old Dominion on April 18, they had won a remarkable 12 of 14 contests, by far their best stretch of the season. Unfortunately though, State won only 4 of its remaining 13 games and was dealt crushing defeats by conference rivals Wake Forest, Duke and Clemson. ¶ The Wolfpack finished the regular season 27-27 overall and 9-15 in the ACC. ¶ In spite of their .500 record in the regular season, State would ultimately finish 32-29. In doing so, the Pack avoided a losing season, something that Wolfpack baseball followers haven't seen since 1966. ¶ And there were numerous highlights to the 2001 season. Brian Wright finished the year with a .347 batting average, 10 homeruns and 62 RBI. He was selected to the All-ACC first team for the second year in a row. Colt Morton mashed a team high 12 homeruns, setting a school record for a freshman. Senior Sean Walsh, a transfer from Reaford, fit in nicely for State at third base and hit .328 with 5 homeruns and 39 RBI. Sophomore Jeremy Dutton also had a nice year, batting .328 with 36 RBI. ¶ On the mound, Daniel Caldwell made tremendous strides and finished with 5 wins. Senior Jason Blanton was another 5 game winner for State, and he finished his last year of college baseball with a 4.40 ERA. Fellow senior Josh Miller went 5-4 with a low 2.08 ERA. He also pitched for 6 saves in the 2001 season. ¶ And then, there was the miracle post-season. Who would have thought that NC State would wind up in the championship game after finishing 8th in the ACC during the regular season? ¶ In a magical run fueled by sheer determination, No. 8 seeded State went from facing elimination in the play-in game, to a championship date with Wake Forest. But, before a packed house at Knights Stadium in Fort Mill, SC, the Pack just ran out of gas, putting an end to a miracle journey that captured the attention of NC State fans everywhere. *Carter*







## PACK COMES ALIVE

In the span of five days at the 2001 Atlantic Coast Conference Baseball Tournament, the Wolfpack went from the play-in game to playing for the championship. Along the way, Elliot Avent's club went 5-1, eliminated five of the teams in the field and became the first team seeded eighth ever to reach the finals of the ACC Tournament. ¶ In the play-in game with ninth-seed Maryland, Wolfpack starter Jason Blanton didn't allow the Terrapins to score until the fifth inning, and his squad rolled to an 11-5 triumph. Next on the schedule was the tournament's top seed, Florida State. Gaetti hit his first home run of the tournament, but the Seminoles scored seven runs in the eighth inning to cruise to an 11-5 win. ¶ The Wolfpack regrouped in time to play Duke the next day, and the Blue Devils didn't manage a hit off Daniel Caldwell until the sixth inning and closer Josh Miller came preserved the 5-3 victory. The following day, another home run by Gaetti in the eighth inning emphatically punctuated a 6-2 win over Virginia. ¶ Still, the Wolfpack would have to beat pair of national powerhouses - Georgia Tech and Florida State - on the same day to advance to the final. In the first game, Blanton and Miller pitched brilliantly and Gaetti hit a three-run homer to give the Wolfpack a 6-4 win. In a rematch with the Seminoles, the Wolfpack got another solid outing from starter Dan D'Amato and Gaetti continued his home run barrage in an 8-4 victory. ¶ Wake Forest denied the Wolfpack a storybook ending to its tournament fairy tale with a 17-4 rout in the final, but the journey to the final was quite a feat. Gaetti led all players in the tournament with four round dingers, only one less than the all-time tournament record. Moore





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the differences between Wake County and home. "Here, there's proximity. I'm close to all the things a city has to offer — food, entertainment and especially more friends."

For most of the students coming from small counties, the freshman year of college marked their first exposure to so many people, and especially to so many different kinds of people.

"My school was so small, only three or four people from home went here," says Perry. "It was a big change getting here and not knowing anyone. But it was cool too — you got a totally clean slate. And where everyone at home was the same, and there was no variety, there's a tremendous variety at State. And all those influences shape who you become."

Wagstaff shares similar experiences. "McCorkel," she says, "Half the football team at my high school had the same last name: McCorkel. And my boyfriend's also from Gaston — he's related to so many people. There, it's like everyone knows their third cousins twice removed. And there, they're all just your cousins."

"The thing about State is that there's a lot of young people around, and they're all different. Where I grew up I had one neighbor close to where I lived."

Many students come to appreciate these differences most. Kaleb Redden, a senior from Iredell County, says, "Here I'm exposed to a lot more diverse people."

"He's been cultured!" interrupts his friend, junior Carrie Sesperman.

"I mean, okay, there were probably diverse people at home, too," he continues, "but it's so easy to take advantage of all the opportunities here."

"And I guess that here it's a lot more liberal. And the people are used to being in a big city. I come from a place where people would check out of school during the day to go and get their deer. Here people go to coffeehouses."

Sesperman, a native of neighboring Wilkes County, agrees. "I think here is less prejudiced. Wait — that's not quite what I mean. I guess, it's just that here there are more different types of people, so people are more tolerant of those different types."

In Cleveland County, senior Megan Hurley felt the same. "I've lived in Shelby since I was 6 months old. There's a lot of different people at State, and in Shelby, well, there's not. We have a Baptist church on every corner. But I was almost through school before I had an Asian person in my class."

"Raleigh is my future ..."

Size and diversity aren't the only differences students encounter.

"It wasn't a big shock coming to State — well, except for the roads. I had to get used to the Beltline!" says Thursall Winters, a native of Carteret County's Morehead City.







Freshman Heather Hayes faced similar challenges. "At home, everything is close by. Wherever you're headed is five minutes away from wherever you are. Moving to Wake County, I had to adjust to a bigger city and traffic," she says. "But since campus is like a small community, I guess it hasn't been that big a deal."

Junior Emily Townley, an English education major, hails from Rocky Mount. "We were close enough to Raleigh that I had been here before, but there were some differences — definitely traffic. And it's so dense — especially when you consider the whole Triangle."

She appreciates the relative smallness of her home in Nash County. "It's nice to know the town very well, and I appreciate that it's easy to get around. You don't have to sit in traffic ever."

But she admits there are downsides as well. "There's a slow pace to life there that gets on my nerves. It's more bustling here in Raleigh. I really like that you can pick up a Spectator and there's stuff to do any night of the week."

For some students, this is nothing new. Stephanie Menser is a sophomore in electrical engineering who hails from Charlotte in Mecklenburg County. For her, "city life" is old hat.

"I think you can tell there's a size difference," she says. "Raleigh just doesn't feel as big. And it almost seems like there's a different focus. Charlotte is very into being a big city — they really want to be one — what with all the professional teams and Blockbuster Pavilion. But it's not a big city like Atlanta, and it shouldn't try to be. I think people move a lot faster there. Goes back to the big-city thing, I guess."

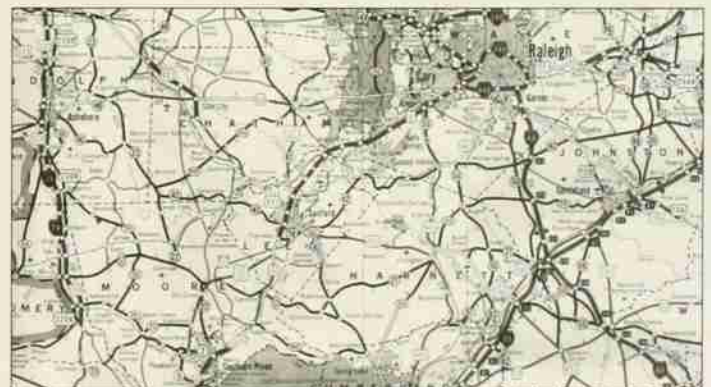
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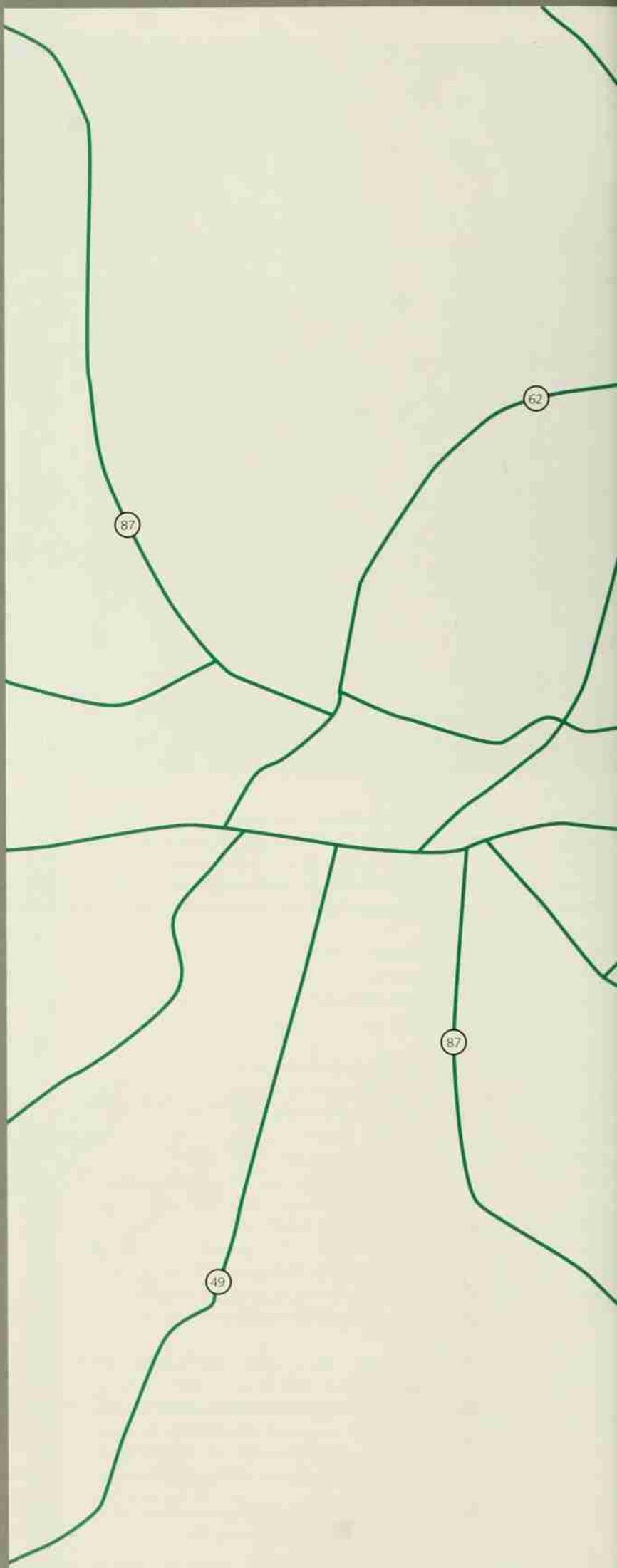
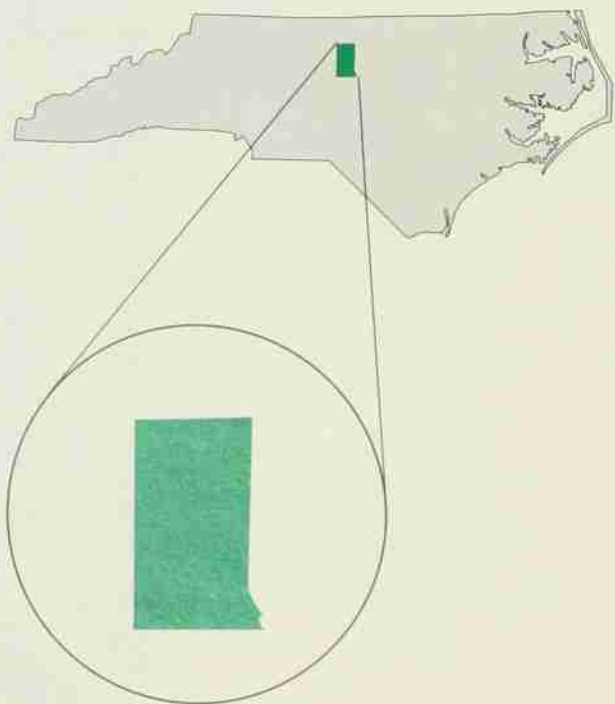


# ALAMANCE COUNTY



COUNTY SEAT: Graham  
ELEVATION: 656 ft. above sea level  
LARGEST CITY: Burlington  
TOTAL AREA: 434.57 sq. miles  
POPULATION (2000): 130,800  
POPULATION RANK: 15 OUT OF 100 COUNTIES  
POPULATION DENSITY: 304.19 per sq. mile

The county takes its name from Alamance Creek, which translates to the Native American word meaning "blue clay." Its principle cities include Burlington, Graham and Mebane and it is home to Elon College. Burlington is known throughout the state for its outlet chops and it is home to the Burlington Indians, a Minor League baseball team in the Appalachian league. The county boasts several historical sites, including Haw River Historical Museum, Cedarock Park and Historical Farm, and the Charlotte Hawkins Brown Memorial. The Alamance Battleground, the site of a pre-Revolutionary War battle between farmers and militiamen. Every year, Burlington hosts the Dentzel Carousel festival to commemorate the early twentieth-century creation at Burlington City Park.











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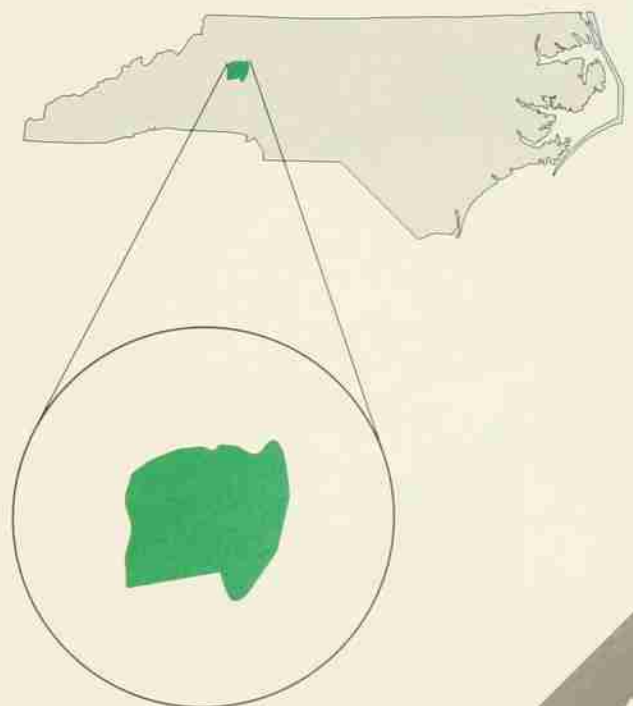
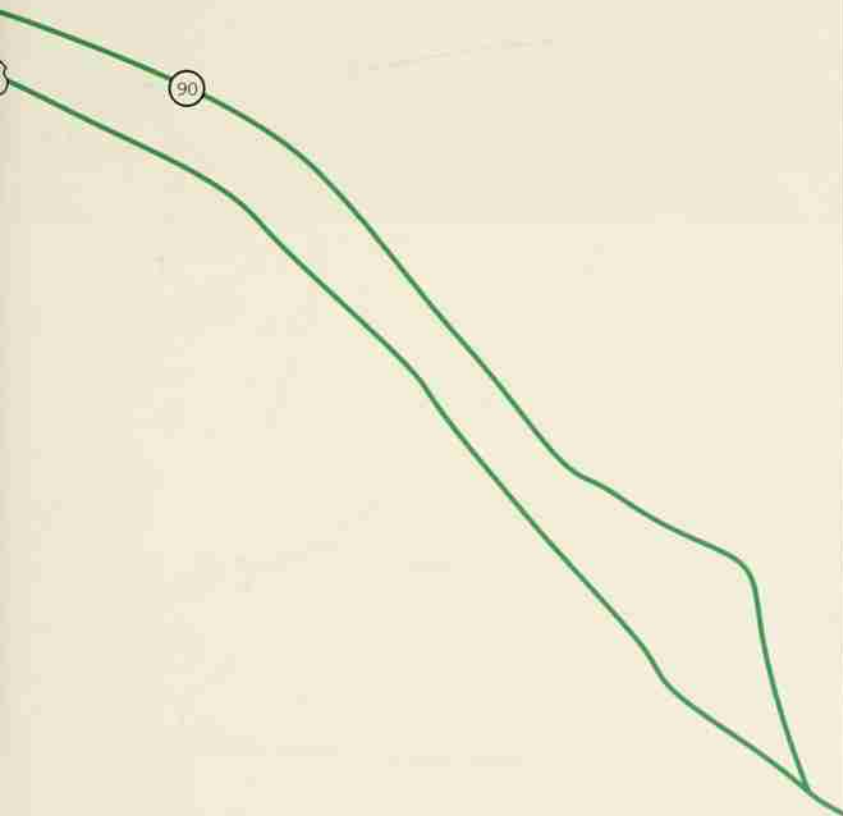
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# ALEXANDER COUNTY



COUNTY SEAT: Taylorsville  
ELEVATION: 1,247 ft above sea level  
LARGEST CITY: Taylorsville  
TOTAL AREA: 263.49 sq. miles  
POPULATION (2000): 33,603  
POPULATION RANK: 65 out of 100 counties  
POPULATION DENSITY: 129.15 per sq. mile

Located in the foothills, and bordered in the South by the Catawba river, Alexander County takes its name from the Alexander family, leaders of colonial North Carolina. Cities include Hiddenite, Stoney Point and Taylorsville, which is named for President Zachary Taylor. For gemologists, precious stones and gems such as emeralds, sapphires, garnets, tourmaline, aquamarine, monazite, and rutile may be found at the Hiddenite Gem Emerald Hollow Mines. The county is saturated with many apple tree farms and hosts several festivals, but the highlight of the year is the Apple Festival held on Arbor day.

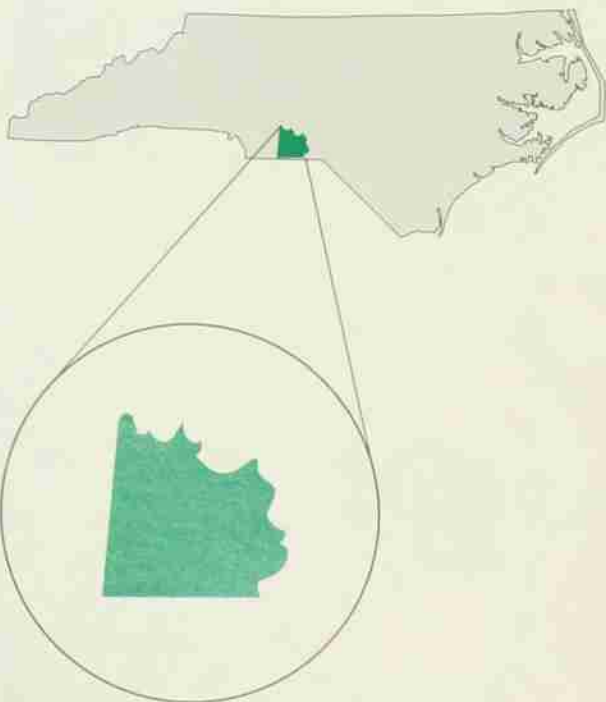


# ANSON COUNTY

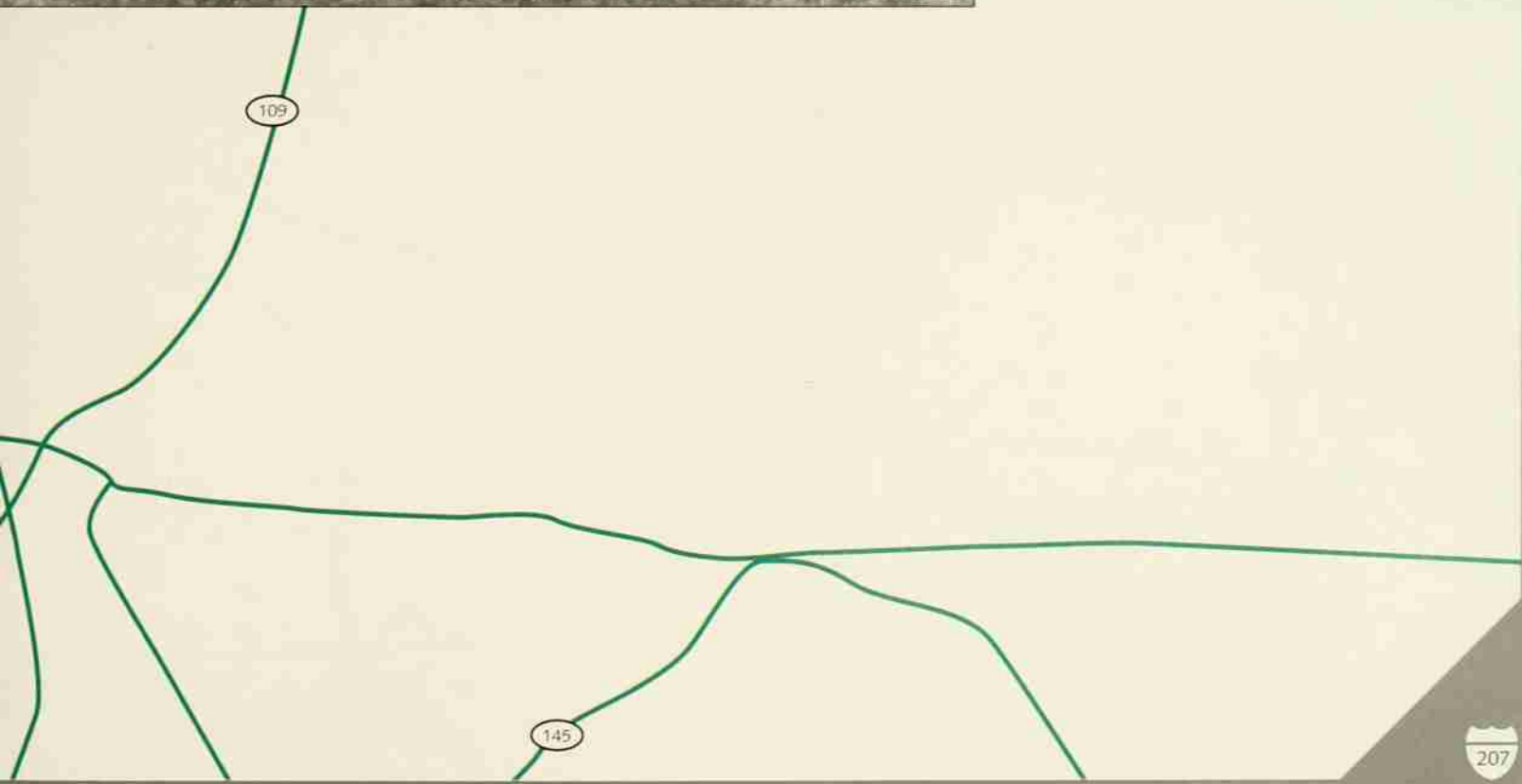


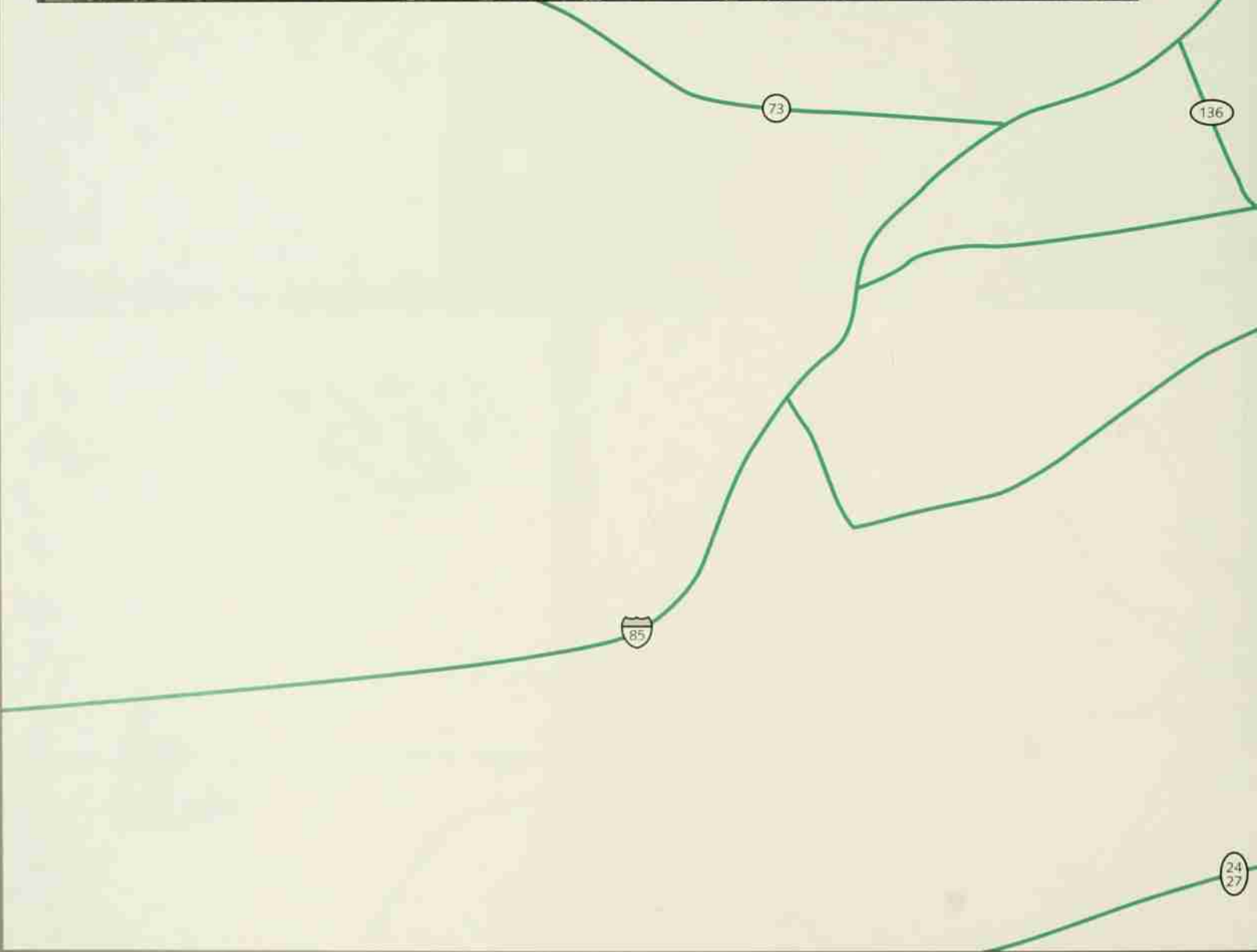
COUNTY SEAT: Wadesboro  
ELEVATION: 423 FT. above sea level  
LARGEST CITY: Wadesboro  
TOTAL AREA: 336.83 sq. miles  
POPULATION (2000): 25,275  
POPULATION RANK: 73 OUT OF 100 COUNTIES  
POPULATION DENSITY: 47.55 per sq. mile

Named to honor George, Lord Anson, a celebrated English admiral who circumnavigated the globe, Anson County is located just north of the South Carolina border. Home to the Pee Dee National Wildlife refuge, the county is home to breathtaking outdoor views and several serene lakes - Blewett Falls, Lake Tillery and Badin Lake. The town of Wadesboro sponsors People Fest every October, offering food, crafts, entertainment, and children's activities during the day - a miniature tractor pull, pet show, and a petting zoo. A concert and fireworks display at Shelton Ball Field ends the event.







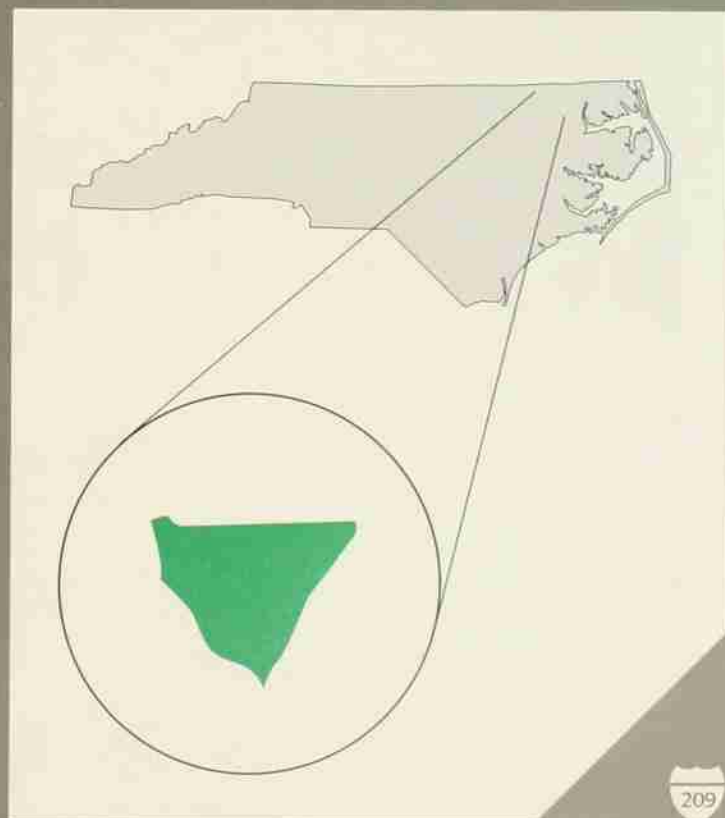


# CABARRUS COUNTY



COUNTY SEAT: Concord  
ELEVATION: 764 ft. above sea level  
LARGEST CITY: Concord  
TOTAL AREA: 364.63 sq. miles  
POPULATION (2000): 131,063  
POPULATION RANK: 14 out of 100 counties  
POPULATION DENSITY: 359.68 per sq. mile

Cabarrus was formed in 1792 from Mecklenburg. It is named in honor of Stephen Cabarrus of Edenton, several times a member of the Legislature and four-time speaker of the House of Commons. The county is a shopper's heaven - at least for bargain hunters and antique hounds. Within its borders is Concord Mills, home to over 200 outlet shops. Cannon Village Shops and Concord Downtown are two areas brimming with Victorian homes and specialty shopping. It is heaven for a different sort as well - NASCAR fans flock to Concord Motorsport Park, Fast Track High Performance Driving School, Hendrick Motorsports Museum, the Richard Petty Driving Experience, and NASCAR shops. It is also the site of Reed Gold mine, the first documented gold rush site; Old Courthouse Theatre, an award-winning community theatre; and a free textile museum.



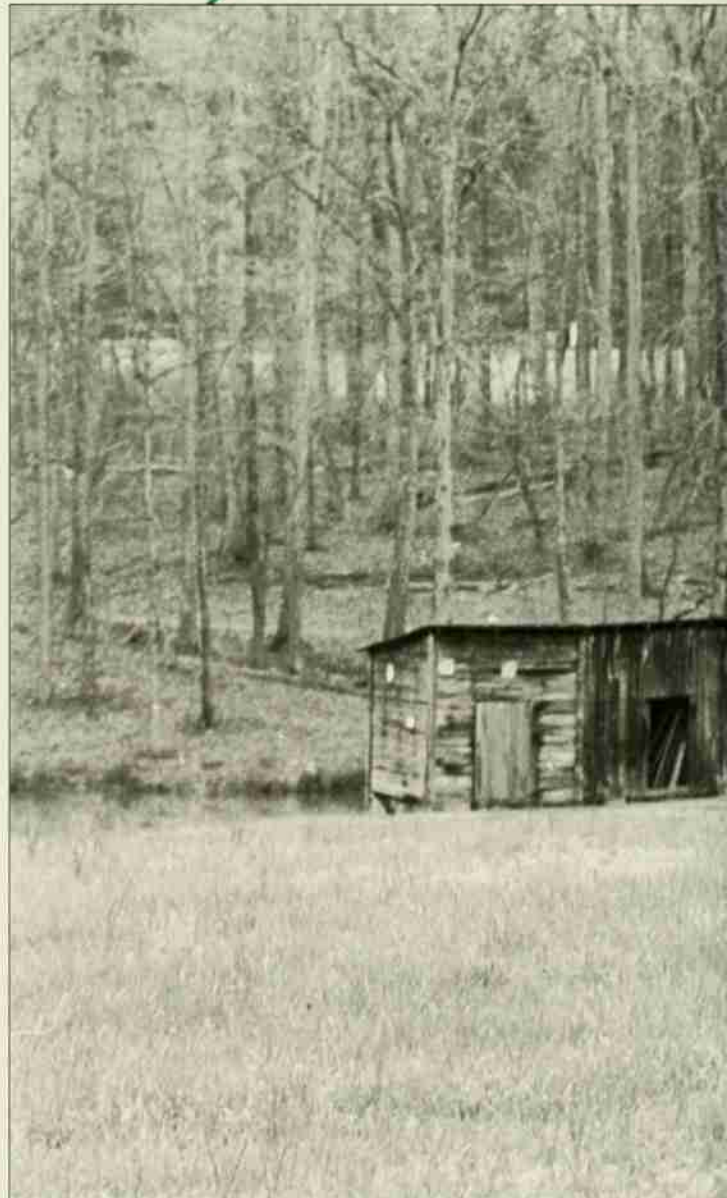
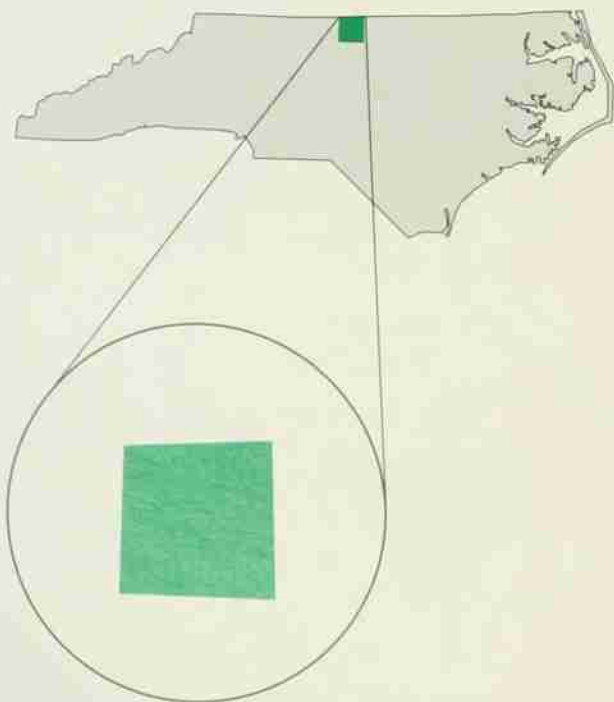


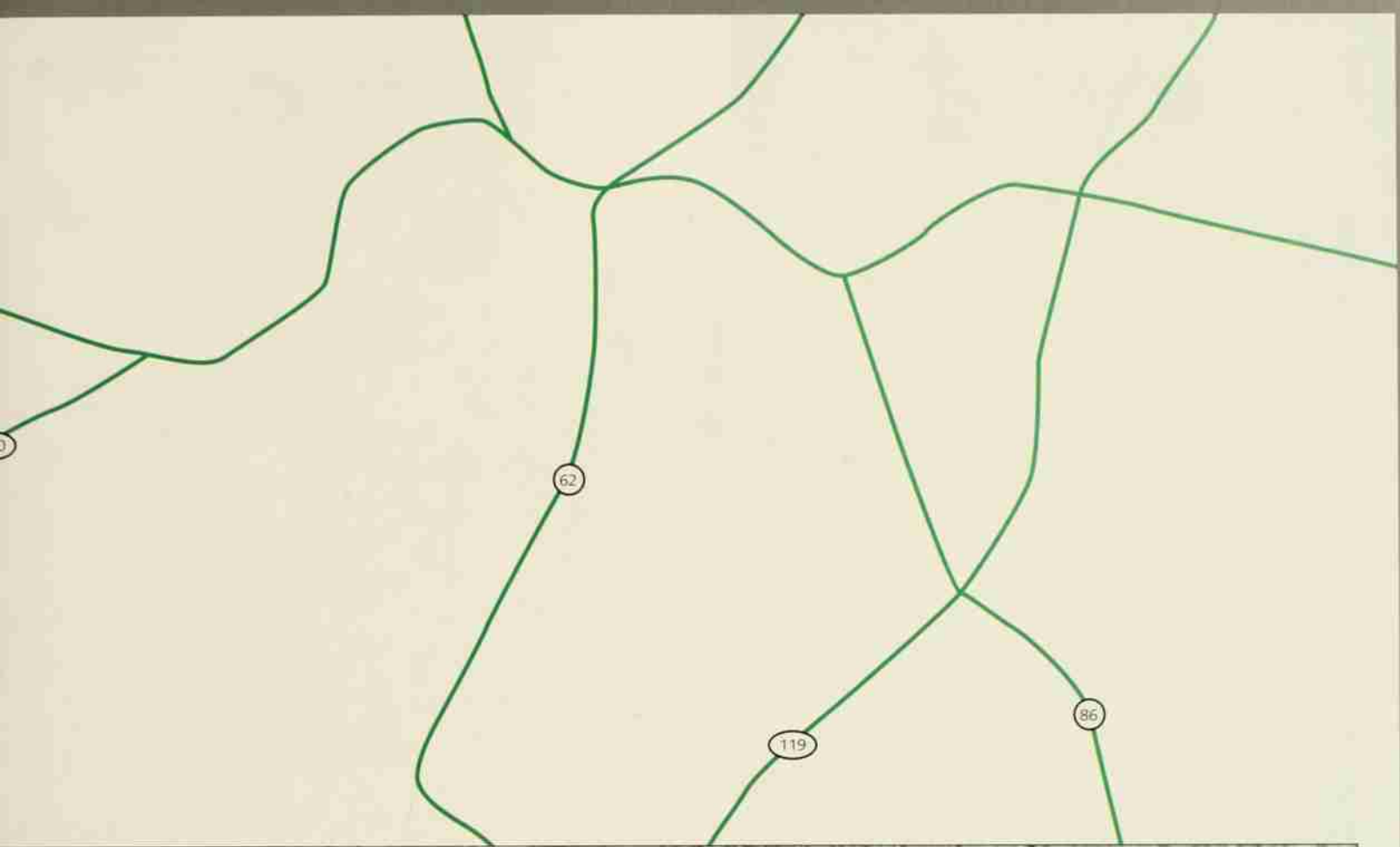
# CASWELL COUNTY



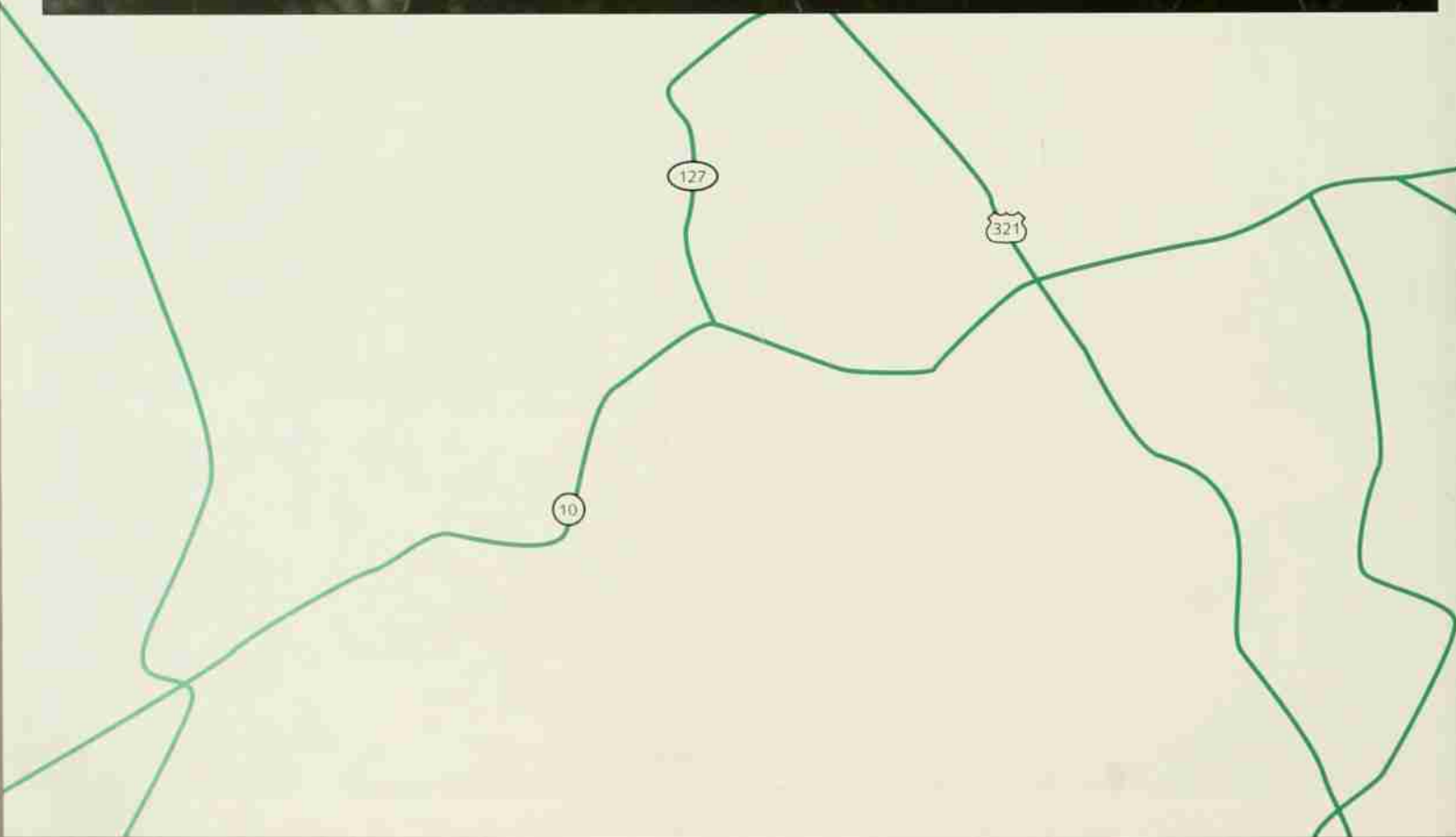
COUNTY SEAT: Yanceyville  
ELEVATION: 619 ft. above sea level  
LARGEST CITY: Yanceyville  
TOTAL AREA: 428.9 sq. miles  
POPULATION (2000): 23,501  
POPULATION RANK: 76 out of 100 counties  
POPULATION DENSITY: 55.34 per sq. mile

While he did not reside in the area, it is from Richard Caswell that the county draws its name. Caswell was a leader in the revolutionary army and the rebels handily defeated the loyalists under his leadership in the Battle of Moore's Creek. He went on to become the first Governor of North Carolina, serving 1776-1780 and 1784-1787. Principle towns in Caswell County are Yanceyville, Leasburg, and Milton. Home to historic Amish country, the county is also occupied by the Virginia International Motorway, considered one of the best motor speedways in North America. In late September, the Historic Town Square in Yanceyville is packed for the annual Brightleaf Hoedown Festival.











# CATAWBA COUNTY



COUNTY SEAT: Newton

ELEVATION: 656 ft. above sea level

LARGEST CITY: Hickory

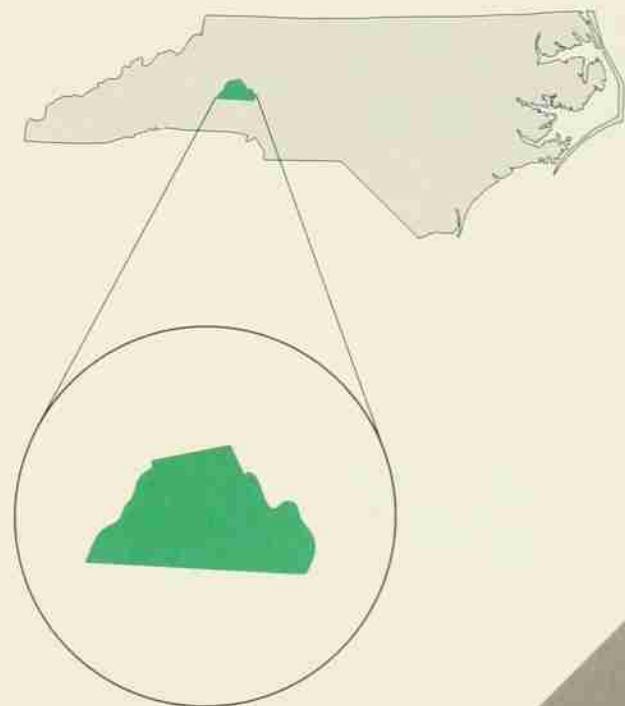
TOTAL AREA: 413.79 sq. miles

POPULATION (2000): 141,685

POPULATION RANK: 12 out of 100 counties

POPULATION DENSITY: 354.24 per sq. mile

Catawba County's three lakes and its location in the foothills of the Blue Ridge Mountains exert a strong influence on the climate and ambience of the county. Named after the Catawba Indians, Catawba County was formed from Lincoln County in 1842. Hickory and Newton are the major towns of the county. A haven to the art of pottery, Hickory draws many serious art collectors in search of face jugs and other pottery pieces. It is also home of the Crawdad's, an attendance leader in the Minor League Baseball Association. Every third week in August, Newton hosts the "Old Soldiers Reunion" considered the longest-running patriotic celebration in the United States.

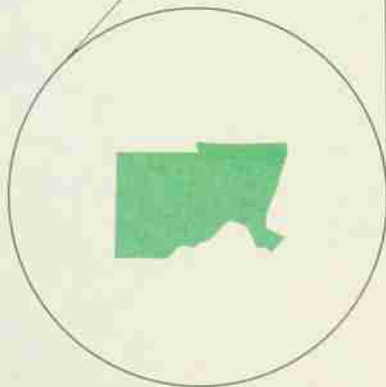
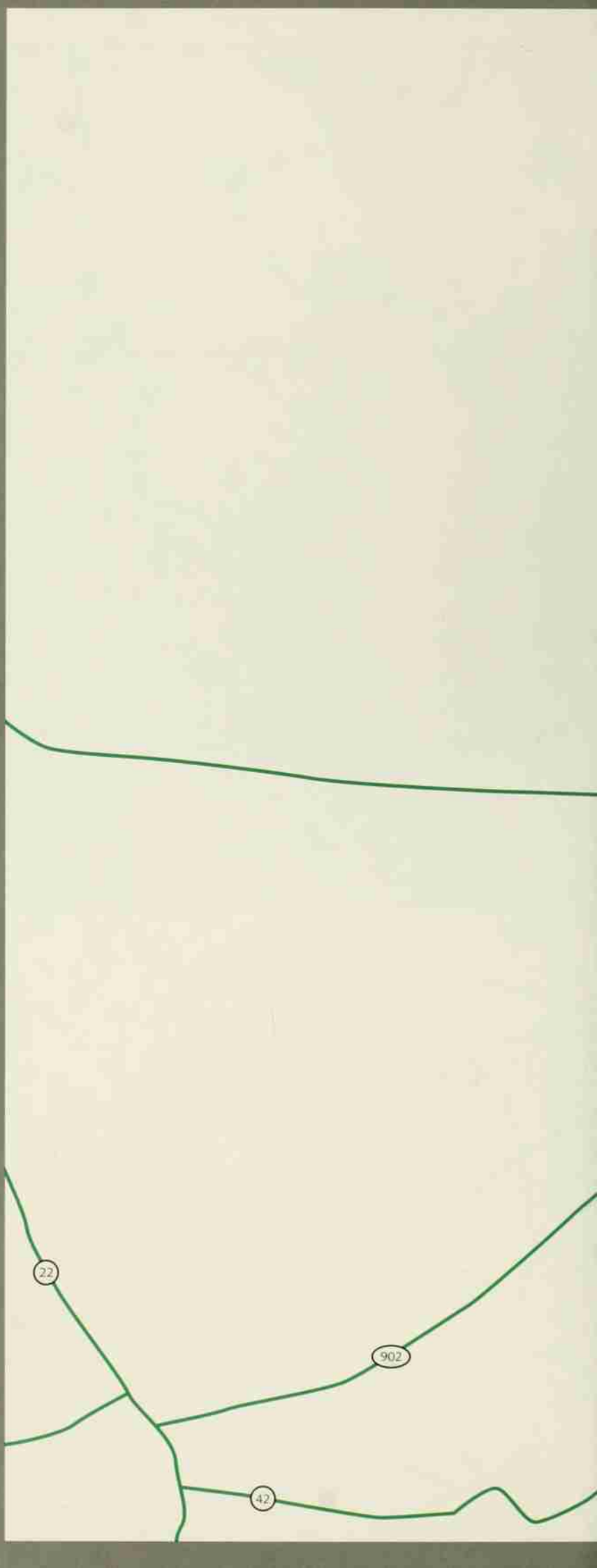


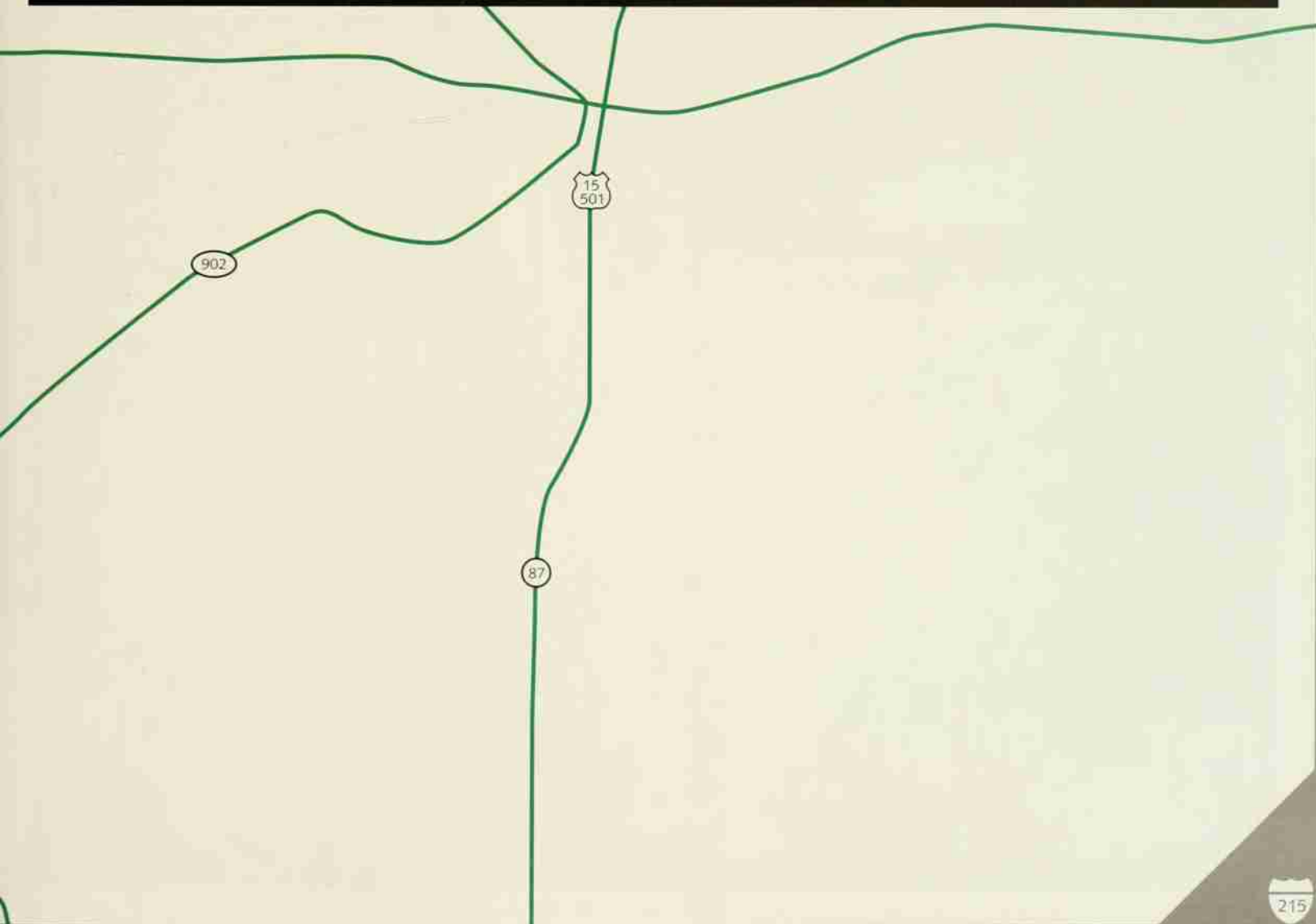
# CHATHAM COUNTY



COUNTY SEAT: Pittsboro  
ELEVATION: 409 ft. above sea level  
LARGEST CITY: Siler City  
TOTAL AREA: 768.89 sq. miles  
POPULATION (2000): 49,329  
POPULATION RANK: 47 out of 100 counties  
POPULATION DENSITY: 72.24 per sq. mile

Formed from Orange County in 1771, Chatham County is named for William Pitt, Earl of Chatham. Pitt was the English Secretary of State who opposed the strong measures England used against the American colonies just before the Revolutionary War. The county was formed due to the immense travel expenses associated with performing required civic duties for Orange County. Major cities include Siler City and Pittsboro. Chatham County is home to Mount Vernon Springs, one of the oldest spas in the nation and also home to Talking Tree Trail, the Devil's Tramping Ground, and the Jack Nicklaus designed Governor's Golf Course. Chatham County is host to the Siler City Chicken Festival in May and the Flatwoods Festival held each September in Bennett.









# CLEVELAND COUNTY



COUNTY SEAT: Shelby

ELEVATION: 853 ft. above sea level

LARGEST CITY: Shelby

TOTAL AREA: 468.26 sq. miles

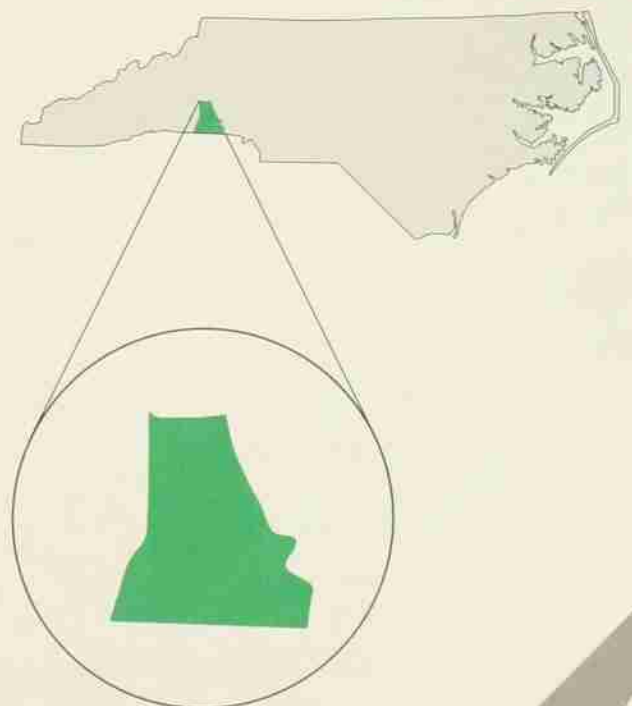
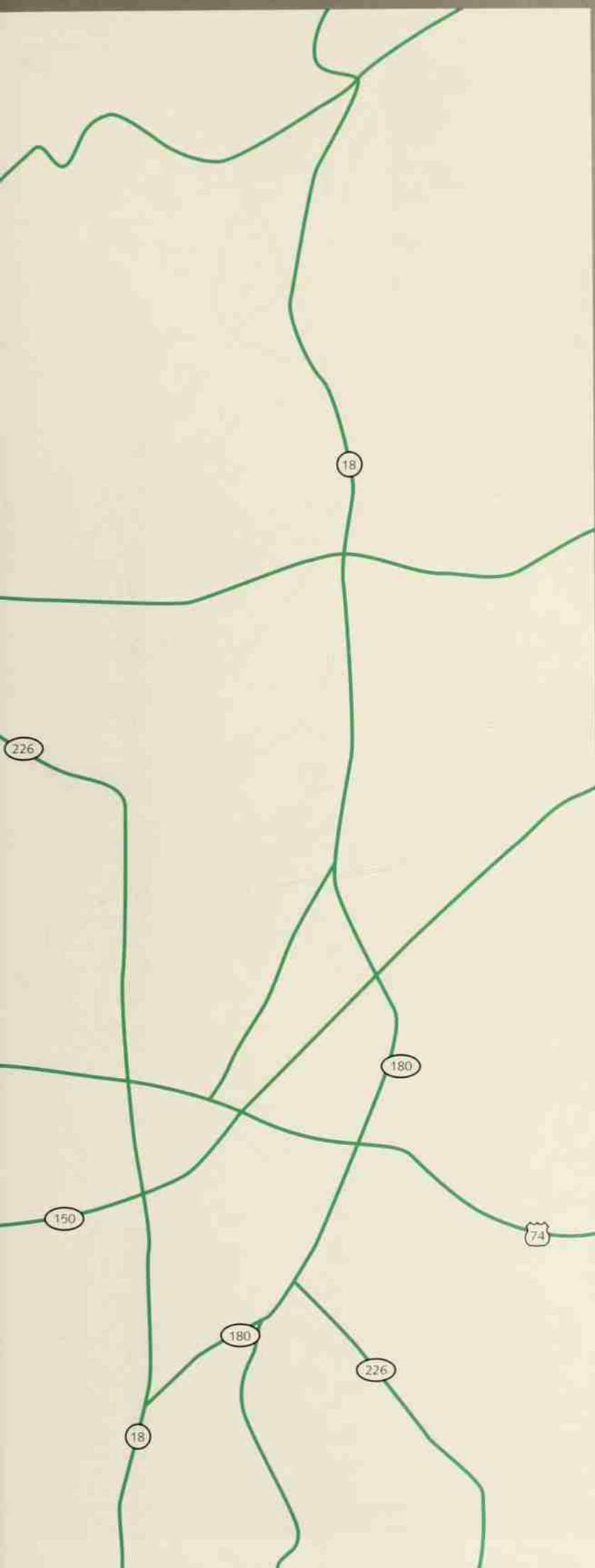
POPULATION (2000): 96,287

POPULATION RANK: 24 out of 100 counties

POPULATION DENSITY: 207.23 per sq. mile

Cleveland was formed in 1841 from Rutherford and Lincoln. It was named in honor of Colonel Benjamin Cleveland, a noted partisan leader of the western Carolina frontier and one of the heroes of Kings Mountain. This area is also home to the Cleveland County historical museum. This museum, built in 1907, exhibits early life in Cleveland County. Tourists to this area might also be interested in the Shelby City Park Carrousel and Train. Those seeking to enjoy some of the special festivities of this county should find the Bloomin' Arts Festival and The Octoberfest to their liking. Both of these festivals are held annually and attract a large number of visitors to the area.

"We have the Cleveland County fair. It's the biggest county fair in the state- the biggest thing going. Everyone lives for the fair. It's been around for like 70 years and they do it every year. Since there's not a lot else to do in Cleveland it's a social gathering-the social event." -Megan Hurley, senior, Business Management



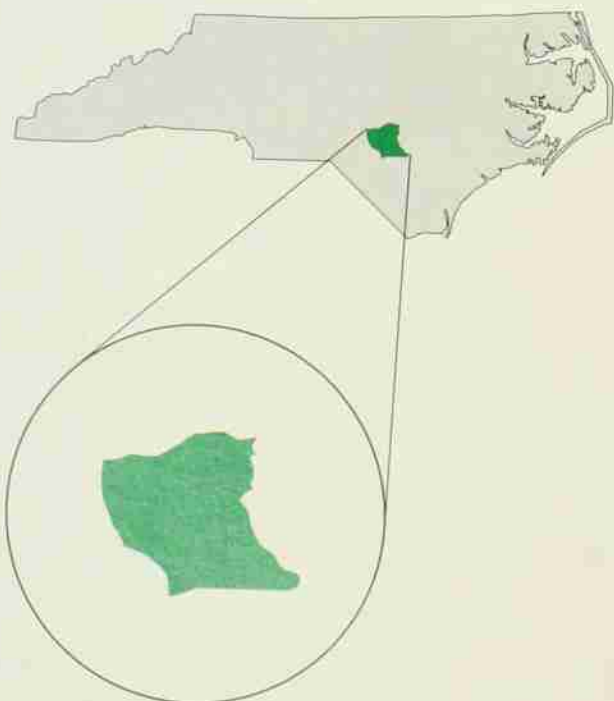
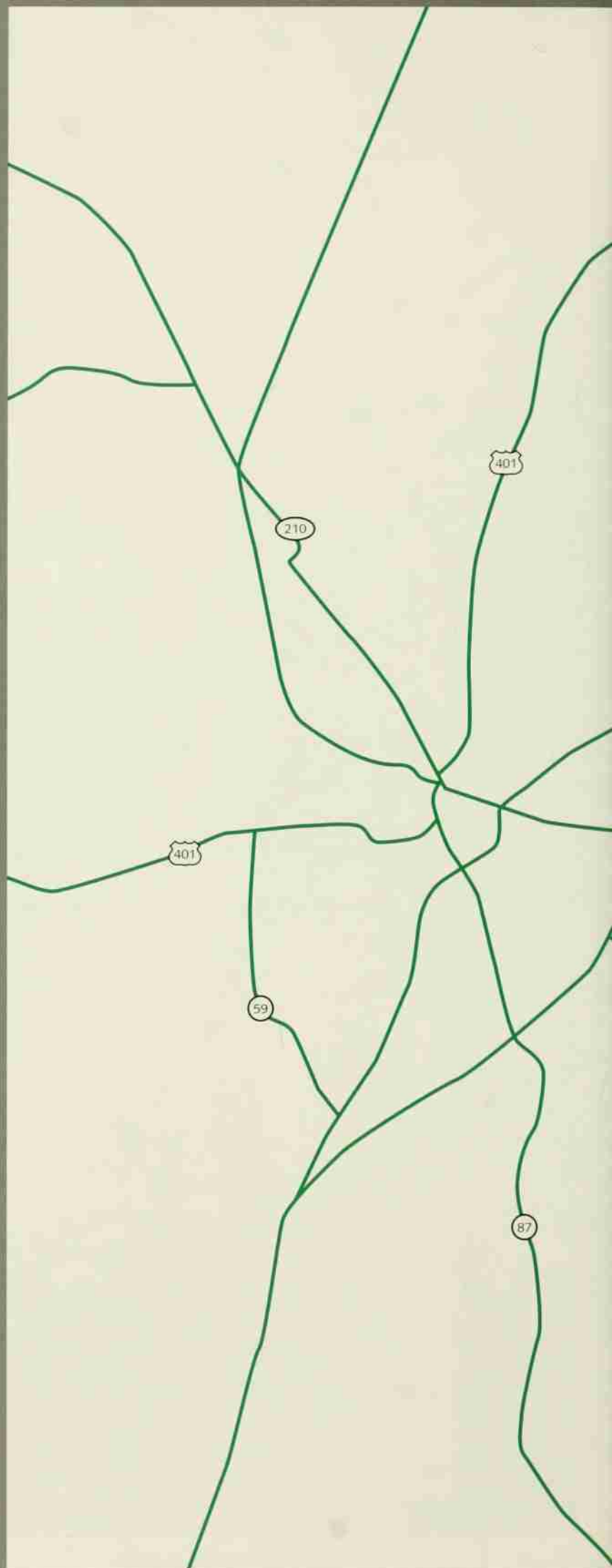
# CUMBERLAND COUNTY



COUNTY SEAT: Fayetteville  
ELEVATION: 107 ft. above sea level  
LARGEST CITY: Fayetteville  
TOTAL AREA: 658.11 sq. miles  
POPULATION (2000): 302,903  
POPULATION RANK: 5 out of 100 counties  
POPULATION DENSITY: 464.16 per sq. mile

Cumberland was formed in 1754 from Bladen. It was named in honor of William Augustus, Duke of Cumberland, third son of King George II. Cumberland County is also the home of Fort Bragg military base. Many visitors come to this area to visit the historical sites in the county. These sites include the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad station, which was built in 1911. The station is a rare example of Dutch Colonial architecture. It is currently being used as a train station. The Cools Springs Tavern is also a popular structure. Built in 1788, it is the oldest structure in the city. The tavern also housed the delegates that ratified the US Constitution for North Carolina. Every April, the Dogwood Festival is held in Fayetteville.

"It's both rural and urban. Very diverse, but at the same time it's very military. Ft. Bragg has a huge influence."  
-Melissa Travis, sophomore, Chemical Engineering









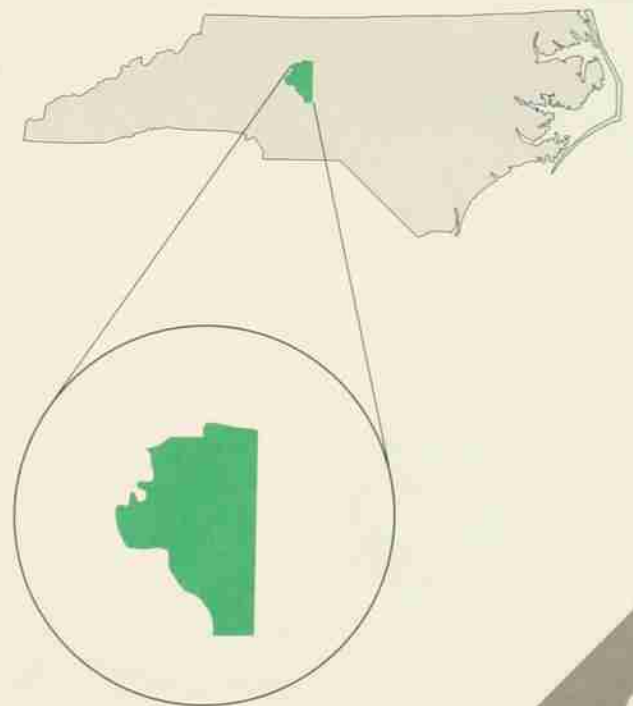


# DAVIDSON COUNTY



COUNTY SEAT: Lexington  
 ELEVATION: 810 ft. above sea level  
 LARGEST CITY: Lexington  
 TOTAL AREA: 567.51 sq. miles  
 POPULATION (2000): 147,246  
 POPULATION RANK: 31 out of 100 counties  
 POPULATION DENSITY: 266.68 per sq. mile

Davidson was formed in 1822 from Rowan. It was named in honor of General William Lee Davidson, a gallant soldier of the Revolution, who was killed at Cowan's Ford. When revolutionary General Nathanael Greene retreated across North Carolina before Cornwallis in 1781, he stationed troops under Davidson at Cowan's Ford in the Catawba River to delay the British army. The British attacked the revolutionaries, killing General Davidson, and forced a passage. The United States government has erected a monument in his honor on Guilford Battle Ground. Davidson County houses the North Carolina Zoological Park. This park offers over 500 acres that are packed with different types of wildlife. One of the biggest events in the county is its annual Barbecue Festival. Named one of the Top Ten Food Festivals in America by Travel and Leisure magazine. The festival is the grand finale to Barbecue Month in this county and draws over 10,000 people each year.



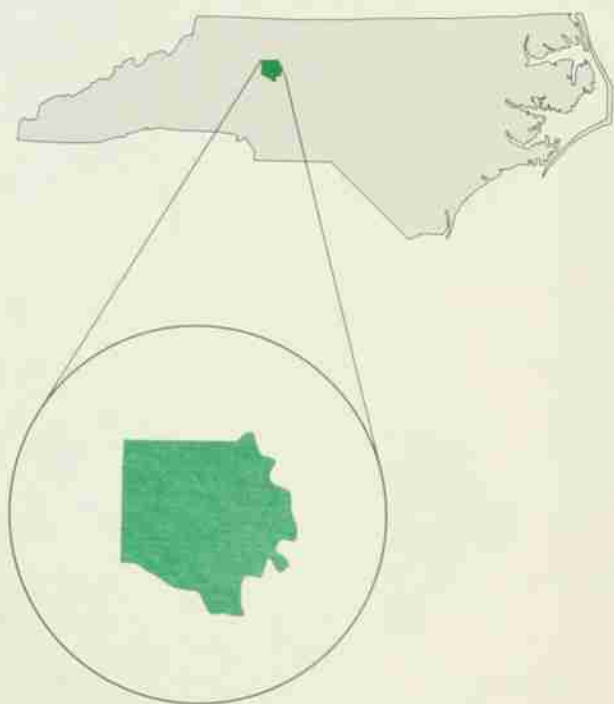
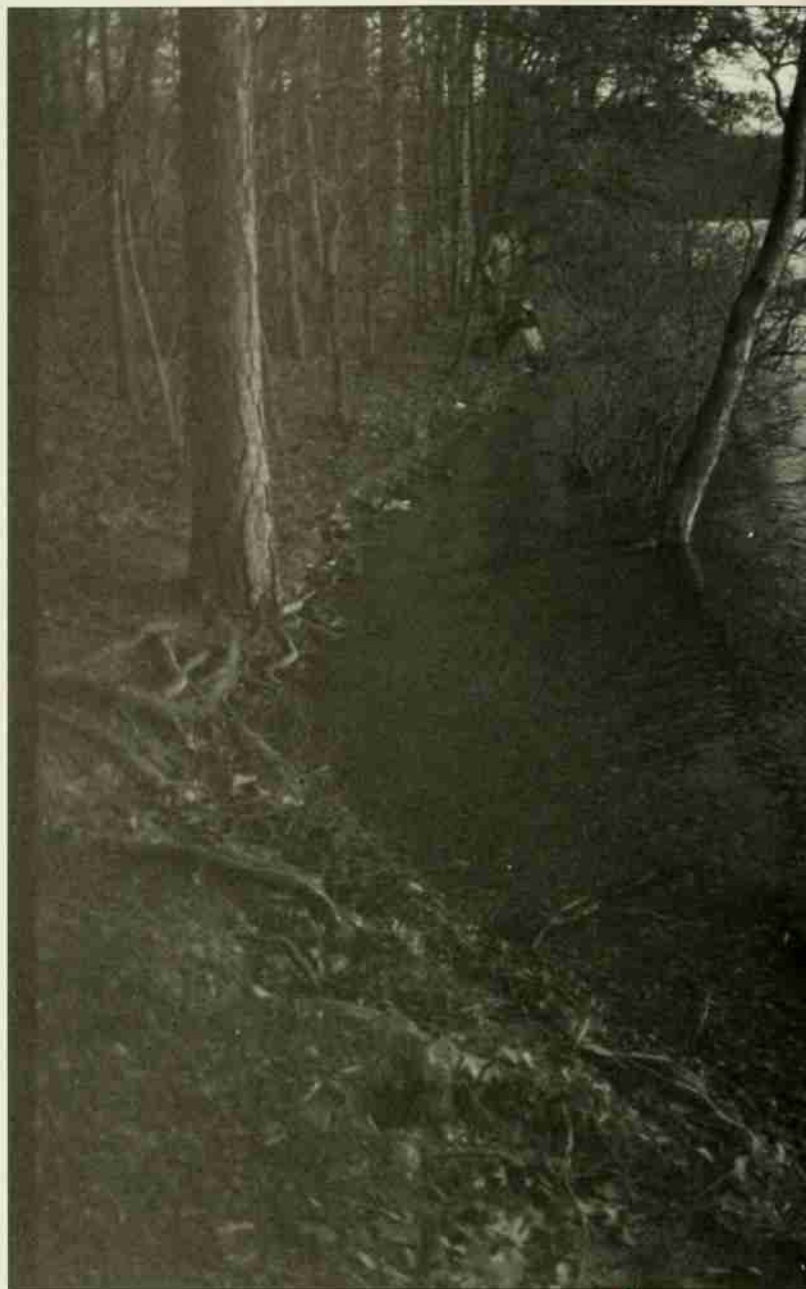


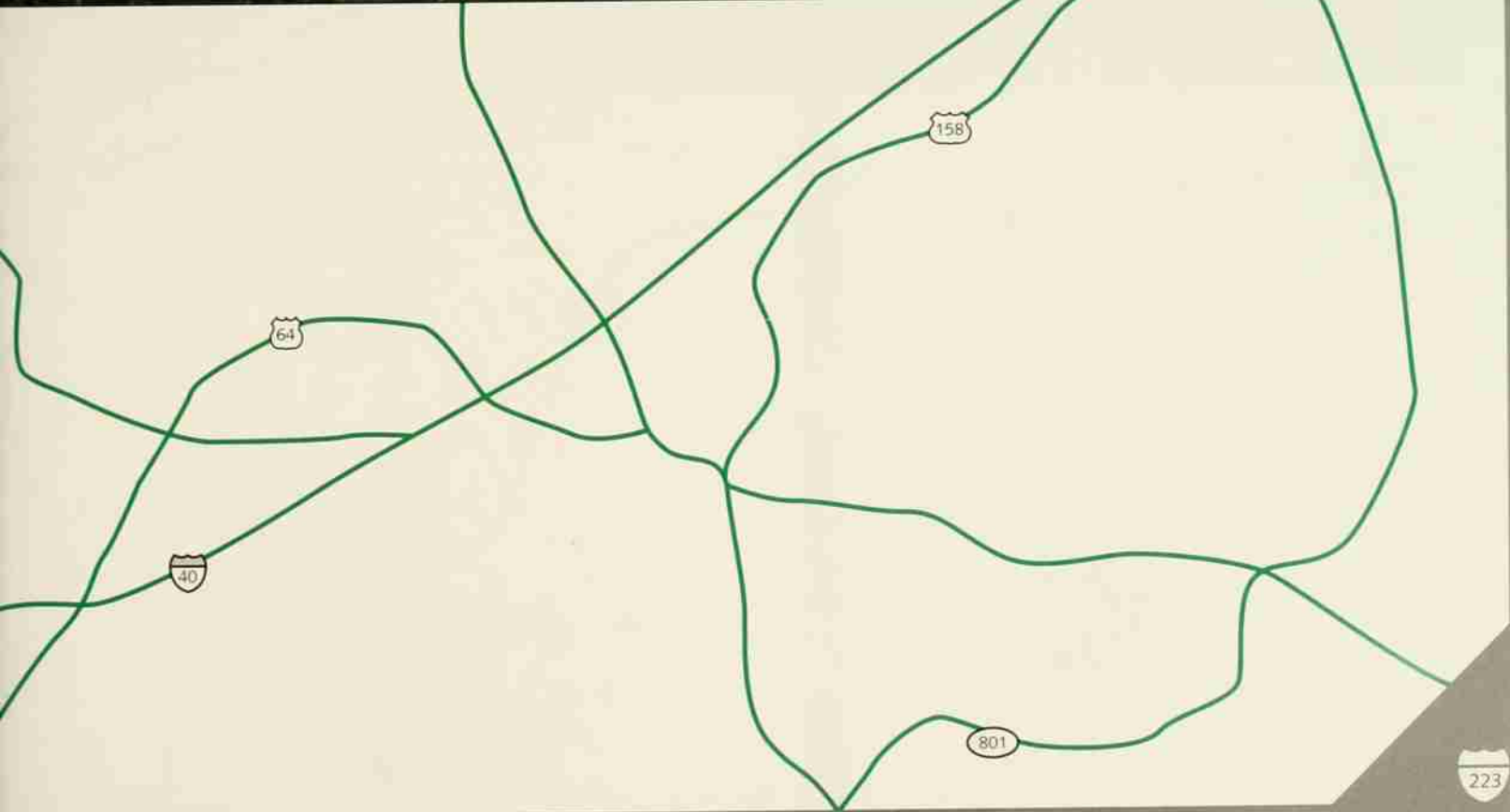
# DAVIE COUNTY

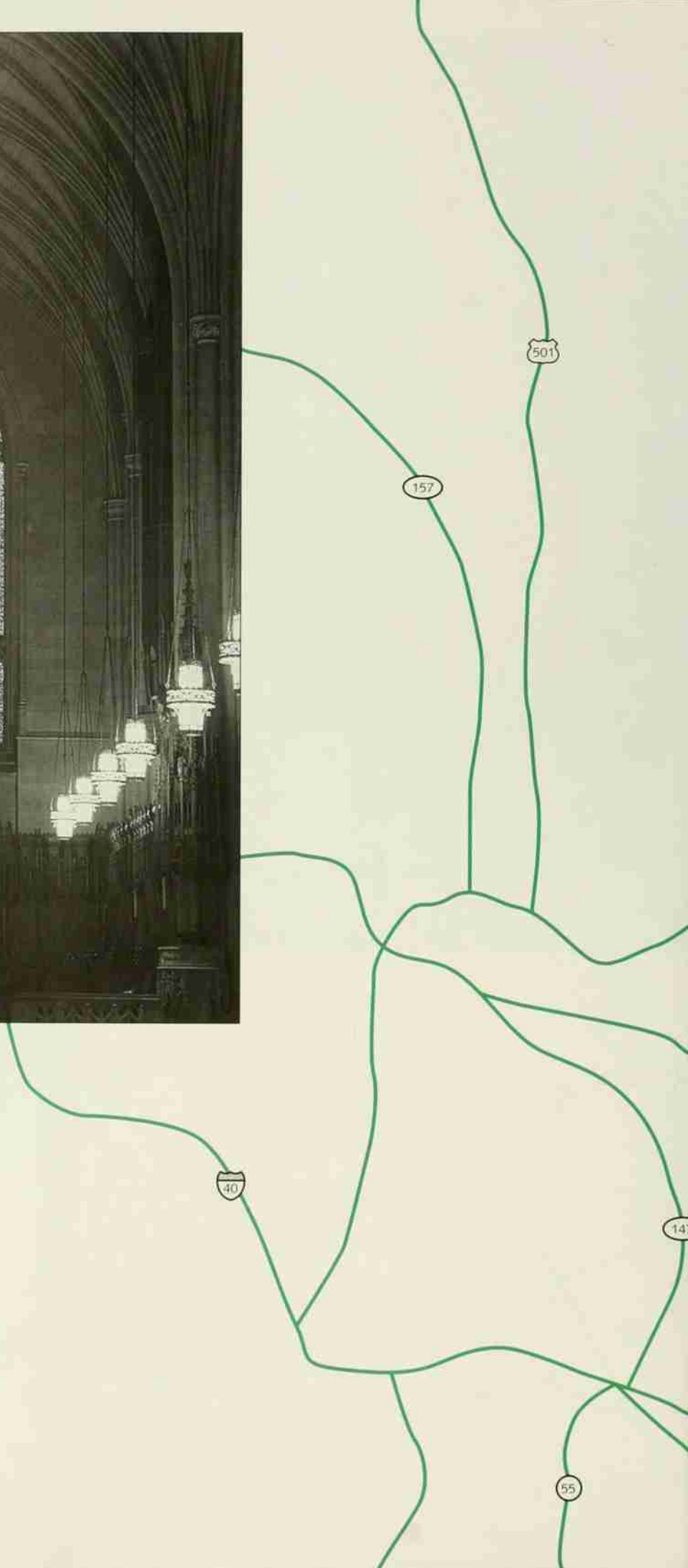


COUNTY SEAT: Mocksville  
ELEVATION: 866 ft. above sea level  
LARGEST CITY: Mocksville  
TOTAL AREA: 266.54 sq. miles  
POPULATION (2000): 34,835  
POPULATION RANK: 63 out of 100 counties  
POPULATION DENSITY: 131.36 per sq. mile

Davie was formed in 1836 from Rowan. It is named in honor of William Richardson Davie, a distinguished Revolutionary soldier, a member of the Federal Convention of 1787, Governor of North Carolina, special envoy extraordinary, and one of the founders of the University of North Carolina. The city of Cooleemee is the home of the Cooleemee historical museum. This museum is dedicated to preserving the history of the Cooleemee area. Davie County is also the home of the Textile Heritage Center, which is located in the historic Zachary house. This center also anchors a historic mill village district. Many of the residents of Davie County look forward to the Davie County fair every year. The fair is sure to have a little something for everyone from arts and crafts to food for every taste.











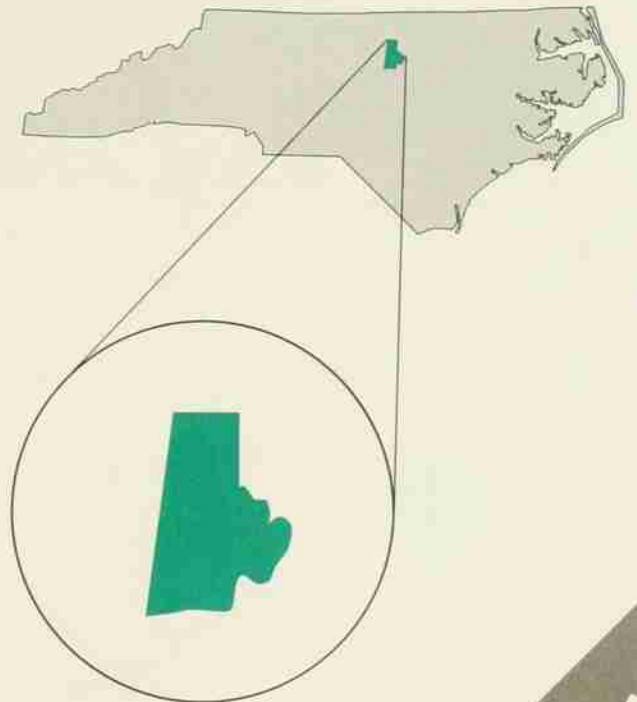
# DURHAM COUNTY



COUNTY SEAT: Durham  
ELEVATION: 406 ft. above sea level  
LARGEST CITY: Durham  
TOTAL AREA: 298.58 sq. miles  
POPULATION (2000): 223,314  
POPULATION RANK: 6 out of 100 counties  
POPULATION DENSITY: 769.21 per sq. mile

Durham was formed in 1881 from Orange and Wake. It was named for the city of Durham, which was named in honor of Dr. Bartlett Snipes Durham who donated the land on which the railroad station was located. The building of the railroad station was the beginning of the town of Durham. Durham County is the home of the Duke Chapel. The chapel's gothic tower is 210 feet in height and is located in the center of Duke University's west campus. It is also home of the Carolina Theatre. The Carolina Theatre first opened its doors in 1926. Today it is used as a venue for live entertainment. The largest celebration in Durham County is the annual Fourth of July Festival. Fireworks, good food and great times are present every year at this festival.

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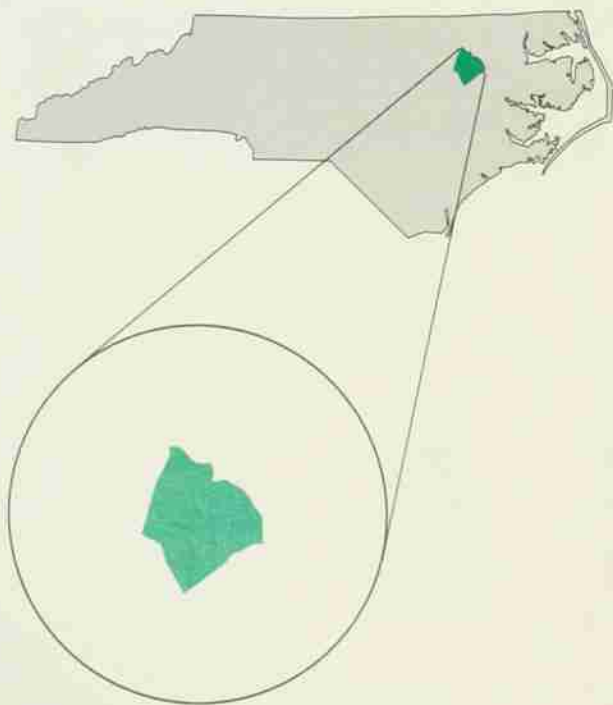


# EDGECOMB COUNTY



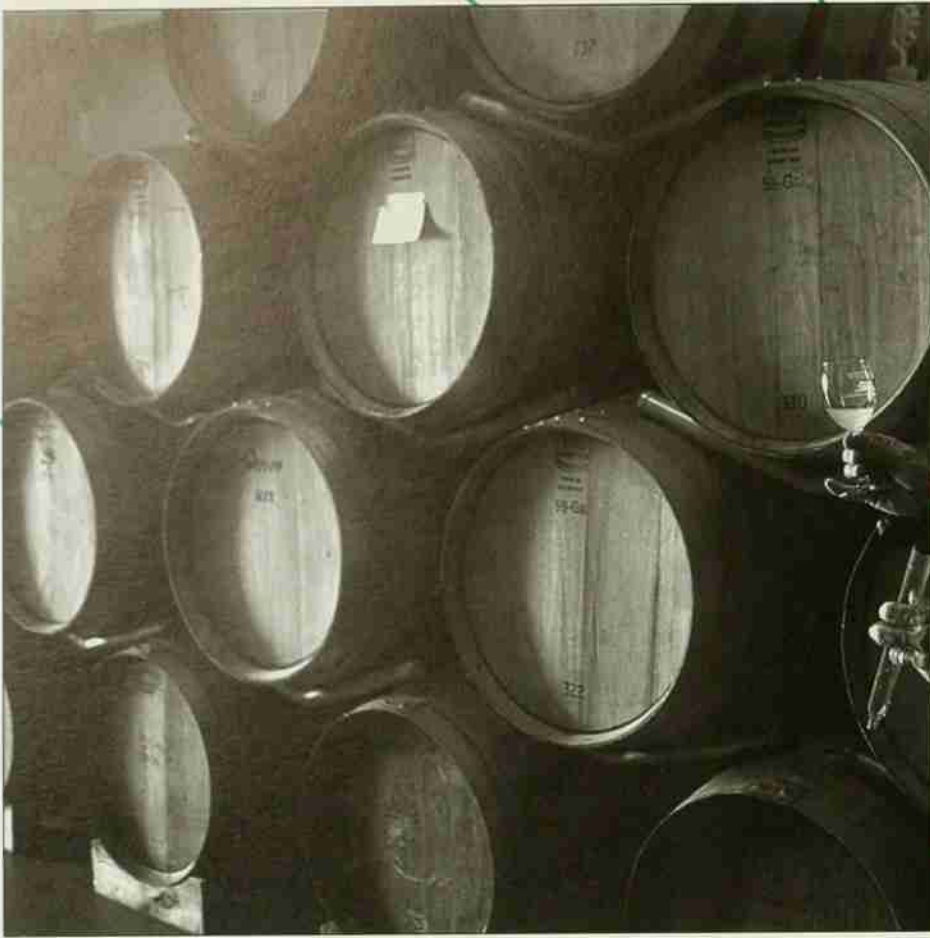
COUNTY SEAT: Tarboro  
ELEVATION: 54 ft. above sea level  
LARGEST CITY: Rocky Mount  
TOTAL AREA: 506.71 sq. miles  
POPULATION (2000): 55,606  
POPULATION RANK: 44 out of 100 counties  
POPULATION DENSITY: 110.11 per sq. mile

Edgecombe was formed in 1741 from Bertie. It is named in honor of Richard Edgecombe, who became Baron Edgecombe in 1742, an English nobleman and lord of the Treasury. Edgecombe is home to Princeville. This area was full of historic sites until it was destroyed by terrible flooding. The effects of this tremendous flooding are still felt by the town today as many are still in the process of rebuilding their lives and town. One historic site that still stands in great condition, is the post office that was built in 1816 at the Falls of the Tar River. This historic site is open for visitation throughout the year.









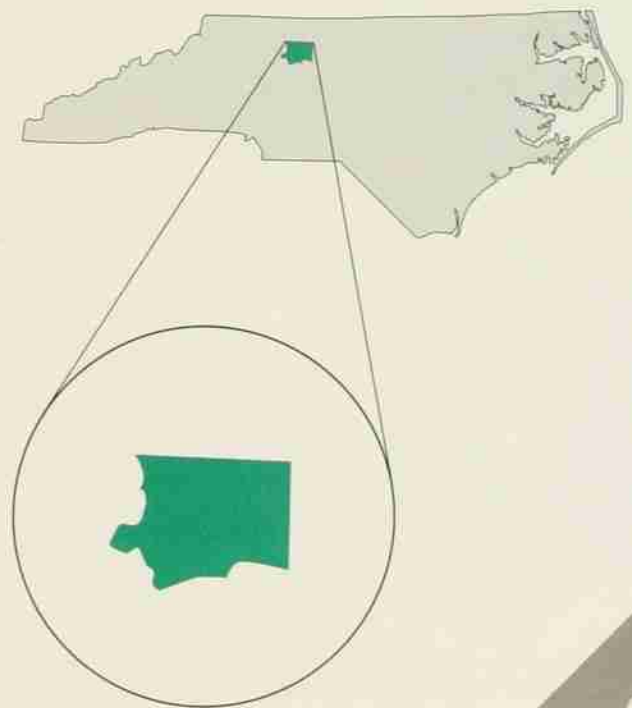
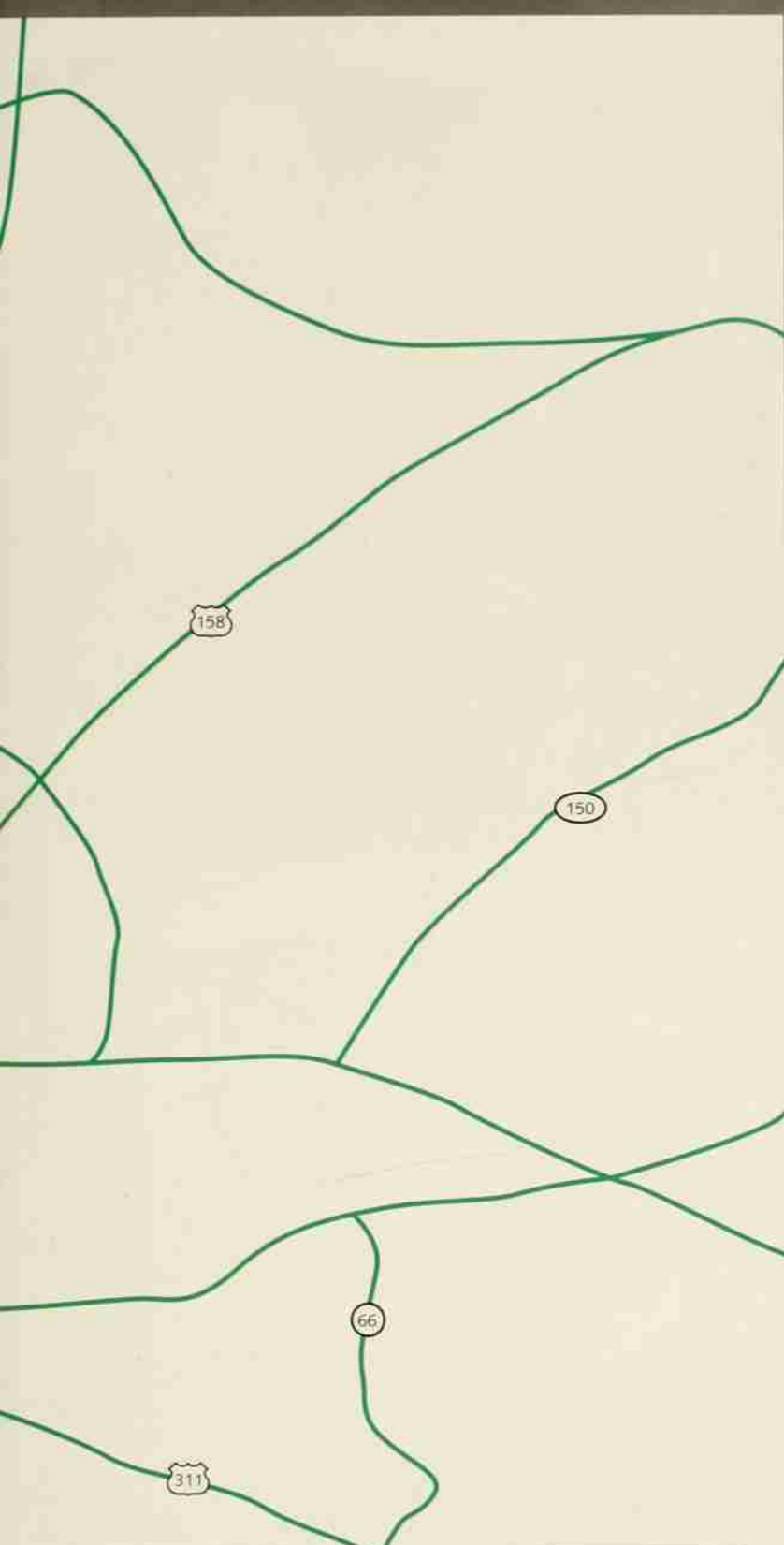
# FORSYTH COUNTY



COUNTY SEAT: Winston-Salem  
ELEVATION: 858 ft. above sea level  
LARGEST CITY: Winston-Salem  
TOTAL AREA: 412.04 sq. miles  
POPULATION (2000): 306,067  
POPULATION RANK: 4 out of 100 counties  
POPULATION DENSITY: 747.24 per sq. mile

Forsyth was formed in 1849 from Stokes. It is named for Colonel Benjamin Forsythe, a native of Stokes County who was killed on the Canadian frontier in the War of 1812. Forsyth is home to the Historic Bethbara Park. A national landmark, this site was built in 1753. It is also home to Sciworks, an innovative hands-on learning center for young and old alike. The mission of Sciworks is to foster an environment that will encourage people to be life-long students of science and knowledge. The annual Kernersville Spring Folly is also a great source of entertainment in the county. This fair-like event includes Civil War re-enactments, classic car shows and family entertainment for everyone.

"Forsyth is a fairly big county, Winston-Salem is the economic center but it's got its rural areas too. And lots of tobacco factories still, churning out cigarettes daily."  
- Danny Wise, senior, Computer Engineering

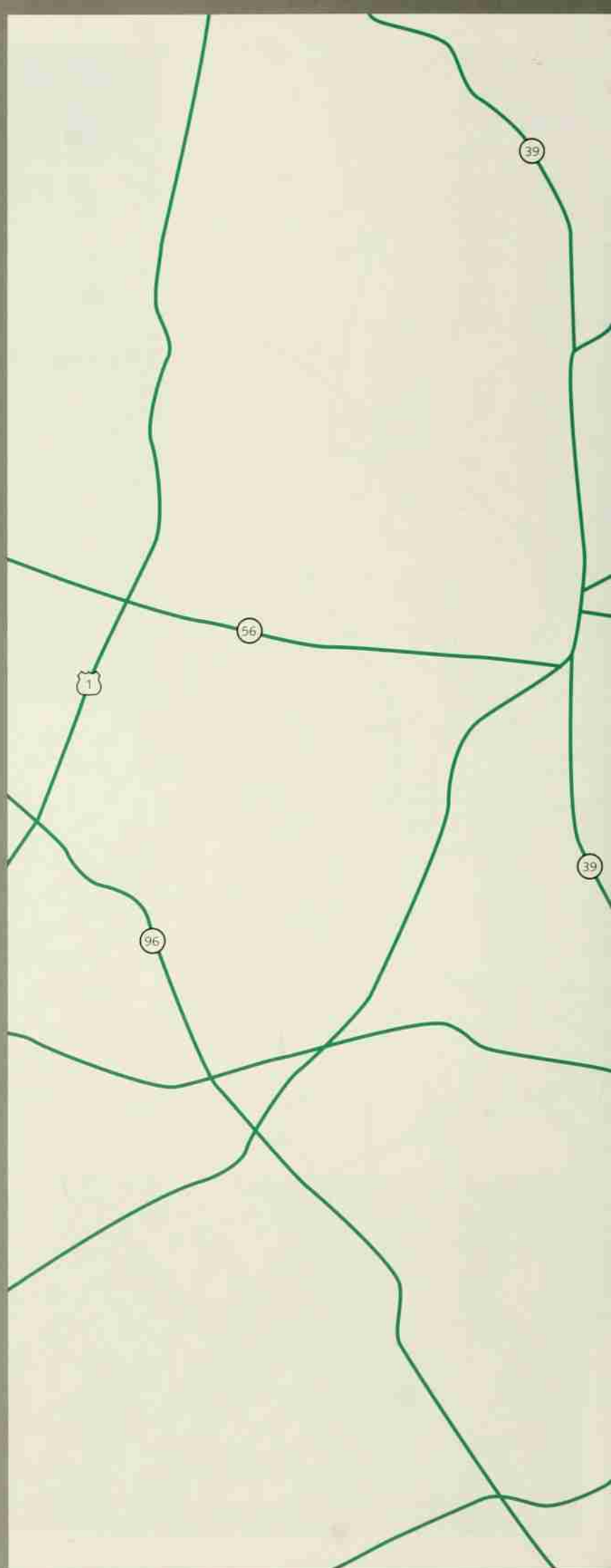
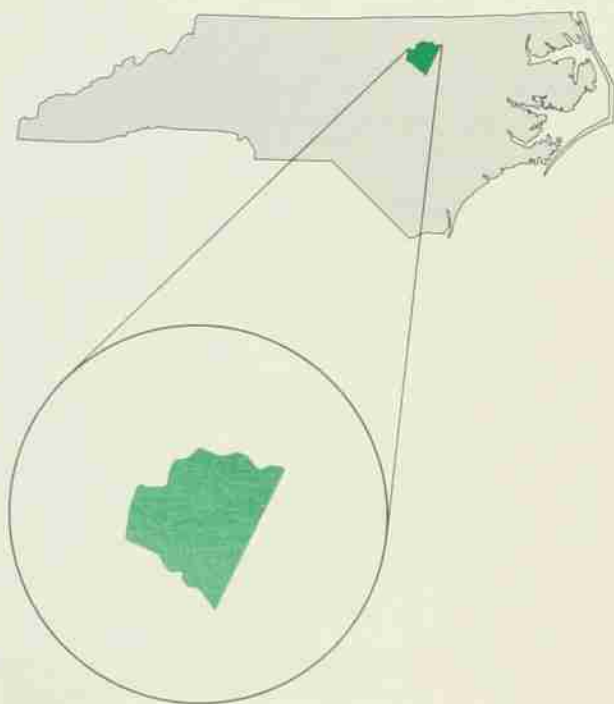


# FRANKLIN COUNTY



COUNTY SEAT: Louisburg  
ELEVATION: 280 ft. above sea level  
LARGEST CITY: Louisburg  
TOTAL AREA: 494.82 sq. miles  
POPULATION (2000): 47,260  
POPULATION RANK: 51 out of 100 counties  
POPULATION DENSITY: 96.05 per sq. mile

Franklin was formed in 1779 from Bute. It is named in honor of Benjamin Franklin. Franklin is home to many historical sites. These sites include the Archibald Davis Plantation. Built in the 1800s, this was once a fully-functioning plantation. It is now open for tours. Franklin is also home to The Franklinton Depot. This depot, built in 1875, retains many of its original qualities and now serves as a clubhouse for the city of Franklinton. The biggest festival in this county is the Tar River Festival. Held every year in Louisburg, it is a chance for residents and visitors alike to pan for gems, make crafts, or listen to live music.









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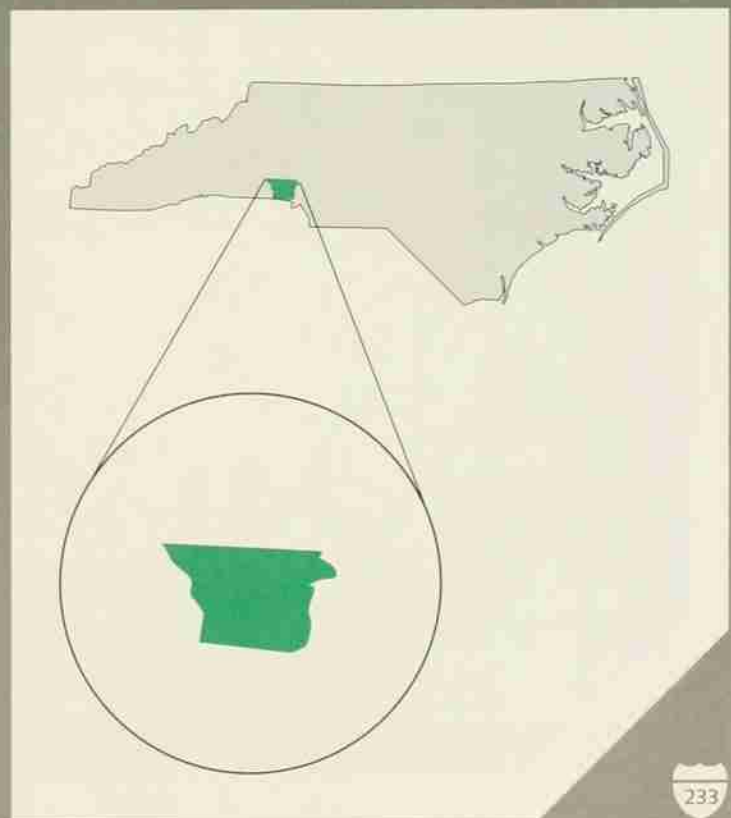
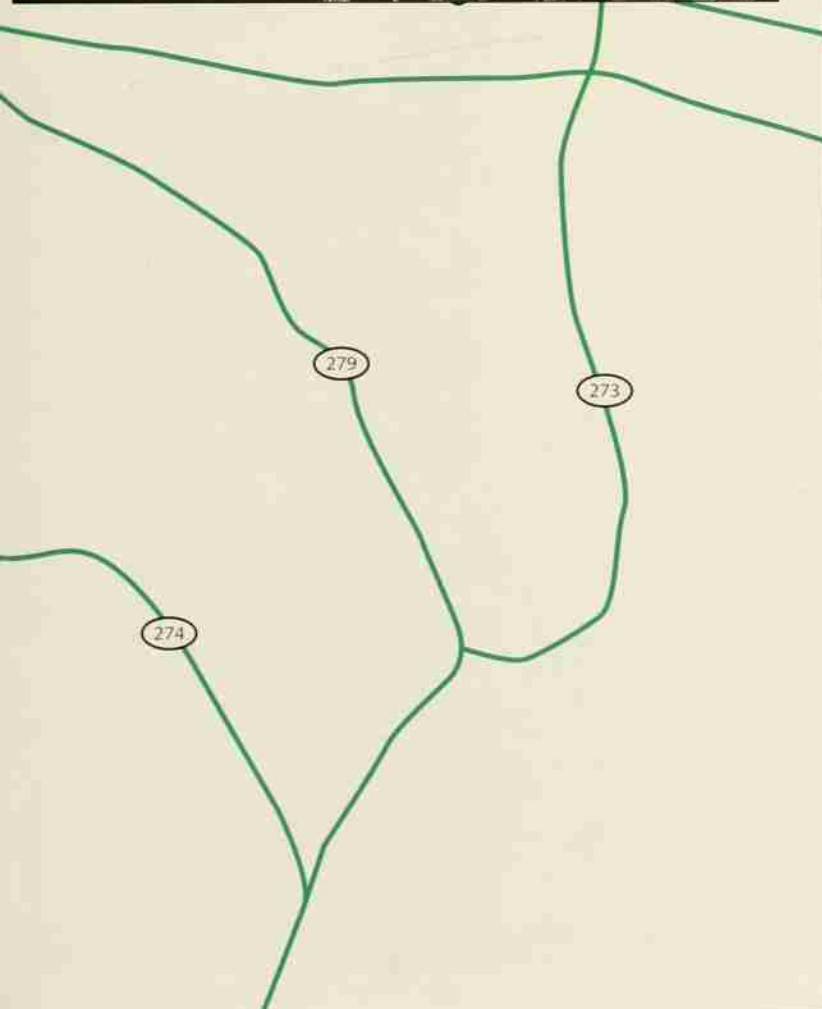
# GASTON COUNTY



COUNTY SEAT: Gastonia  
ELEVATION: 825 ft. above sea level  
LARGEST CITY: Gastonia  
TOTAL AREA: 363.58 sq. miles  
POPULATION (2000): 190,365  
POPULATION RANK: 8 OUT OF 100 COUNTIES  
POPULATION DENSITY: 534.41 per sq. mile

Gaston was formed in 1846 from Lincoln. It is named in honor of William Gaston, a member of congress and a Justice of the Supreme Court of North Carolina. Gaston County is home of the "Christmas town" of McAdenville. Every year from December 1st through December 26th the residents of McAdenville decorate their houses from top to bottom in Christmas lights as an attraction for visitors. Gaston is also home to the Daniel Stowe Botanical Garden. With over 450 acres of beauty, this attraction draws many visitors to view its natural splendor. Many in the county look forward to the annual "Spring It Up" Jazz and Arts Festival that is held every May. This festival showcases many local singers as well as artists.

"It's rural, but it's not tiny. I live in the county seat. It's got the Wal-Mart." -Wanda Wagstaff, sophomore, Economics and Business Management





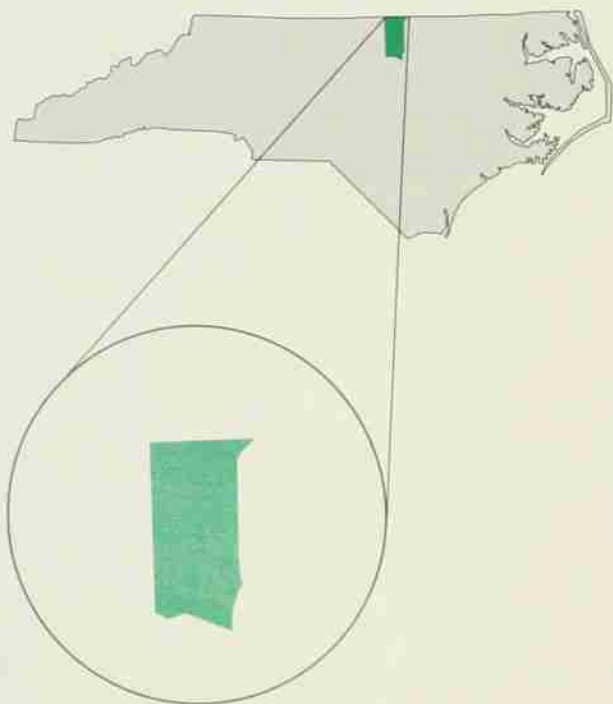
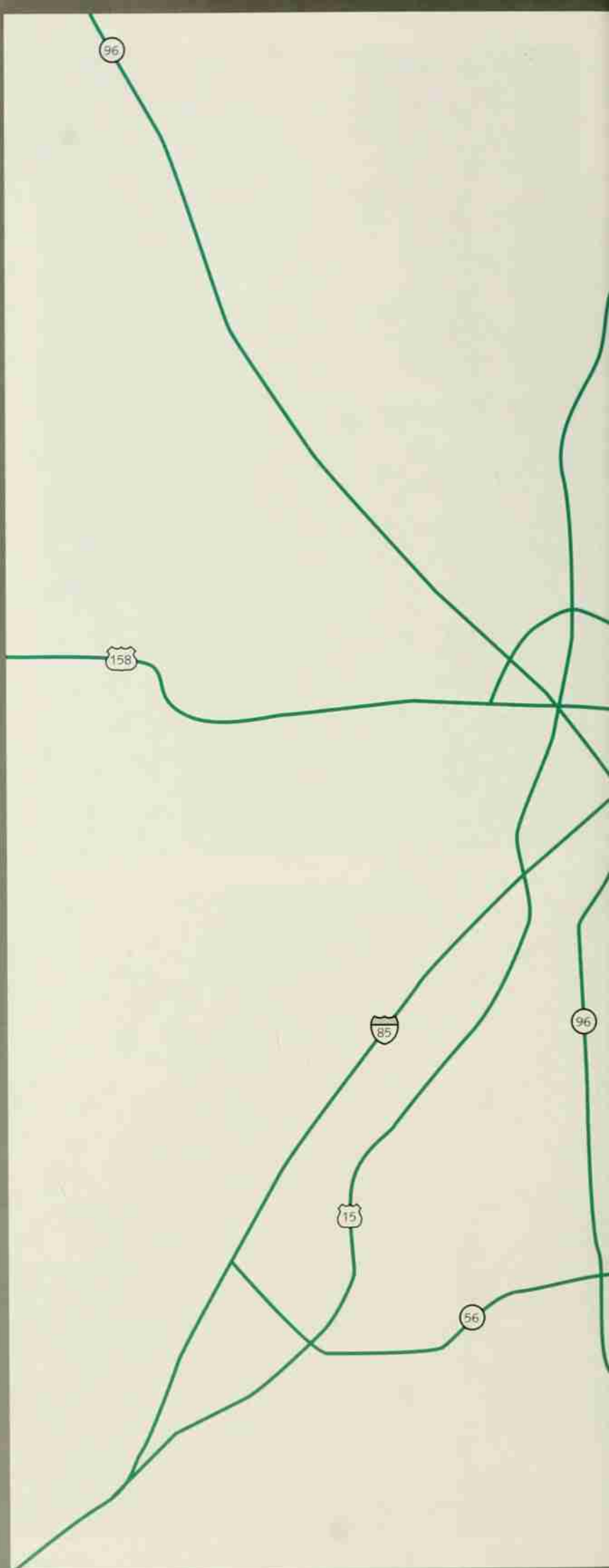
# GRANVILLE COUNTY

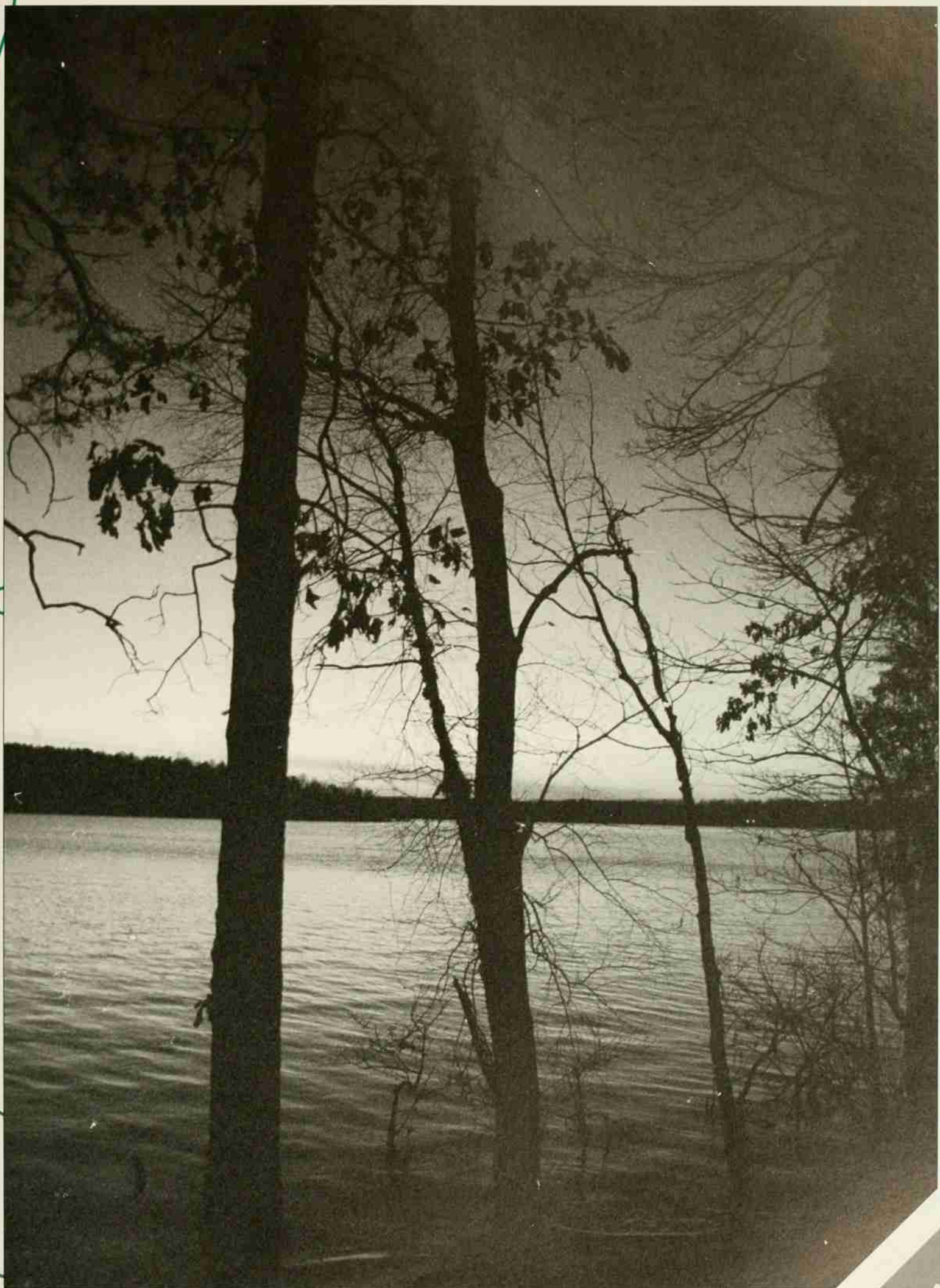


COUNTY SEAT: Oxford  
ELEVATION: 476 ft. above sea level  
LARGEST CITY: Oxford  
TOTAL AREA: 536.3 sq. miles  
POPULATION (2000): 48,498  
POPULATION RANK: 50 out of 100 counties  
POPULATION DENSITY: 91.31 per sq. mile

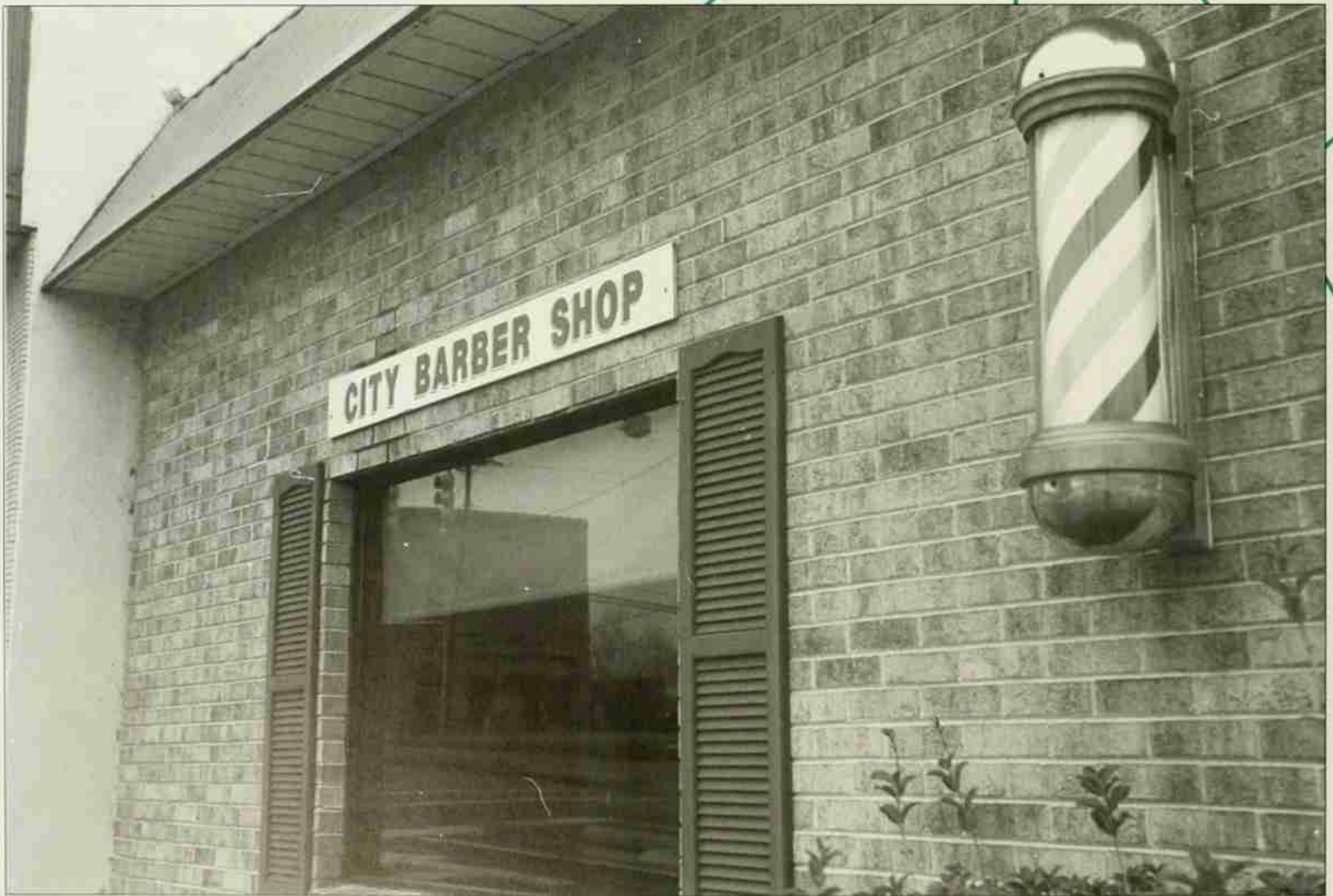
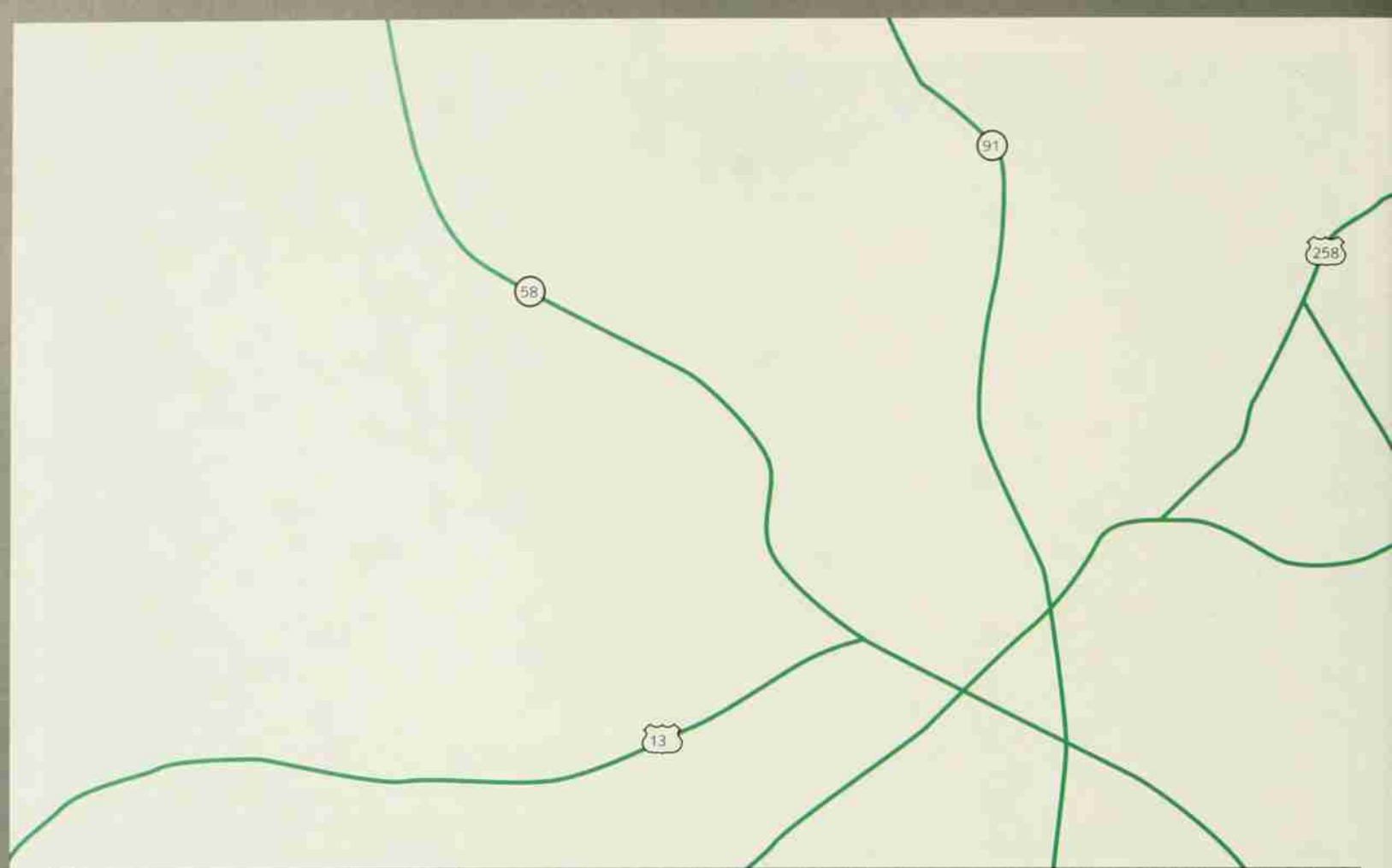
Granville was formed in 1746 from Edgecombe. It is named in honor of John Carteret, Earl of Granville, who owned the Granville district. Granville County has many historical attractions. One of the most popular is the Granville County Historical Society Museum. Though little is known about the building, built in 1795, it now serves as a museum for preserving the history of the Granville County community.

"I grew up in Creedmoor in Granville County. I could say that the county is podunk, but no...it was definitely rural-it was...familiar; you knew who everyone was. An interesting fact, Creedmoor used to be called the Mule Capital of the World. We don't have any mules anymore. Now people only know it from Creedmoor Road-it's like, yeah that road in Raleigh actually goes to a place. Go figure." - Jeremy Perry, senior, Graphic Design











# GREENE COUNTY



COUNTY SEAT: Snow Hill

ELEVATION: 74 ft. above sea level

LARGEST CITY: Snow Hill

TOTAL AREA: 266.33 sq. miles

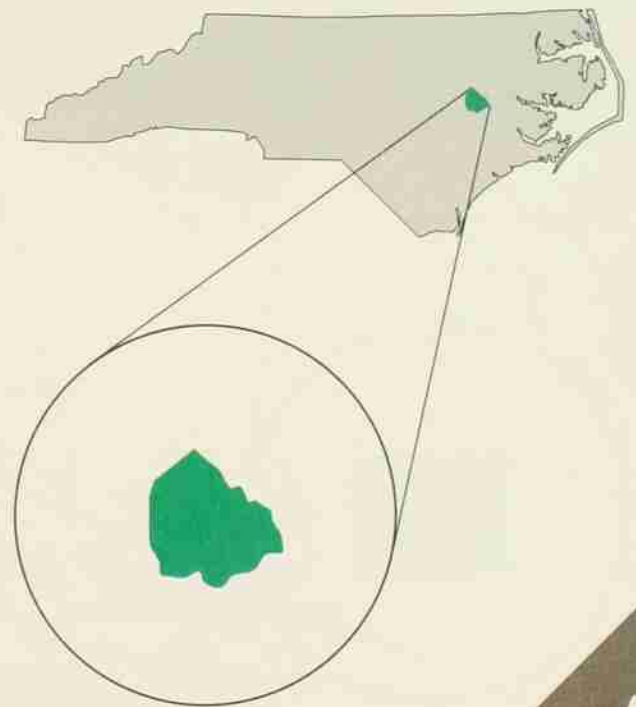
POPULATION (2000): 130,800

POPULATION RANK: 15 out of 100 counties

POPULATION DENSITY: 71.49 per sq. mile

Greene County was formed in 1799 from Glasgow. The county was originally named for James Glasgow, but when he became publicly involved in land frauds it was changed to Greene in honor of Nathaneal Greene, George Washington's right-hand-man. Greene is regarded as second only to Washington as the greatest soldier of the Revolution. He fought in the Battle of Guilford Court House, which saved North Carolina from the British. Hookerton, Maury, Snow Hill, and Walstonburg are major cities in Greene County. There are currently no museums in the county, but the Historical Society is in the beginning stages of developing one. Each year there is the Greene County Agricultural Festival - previously called the Cotton Festival.

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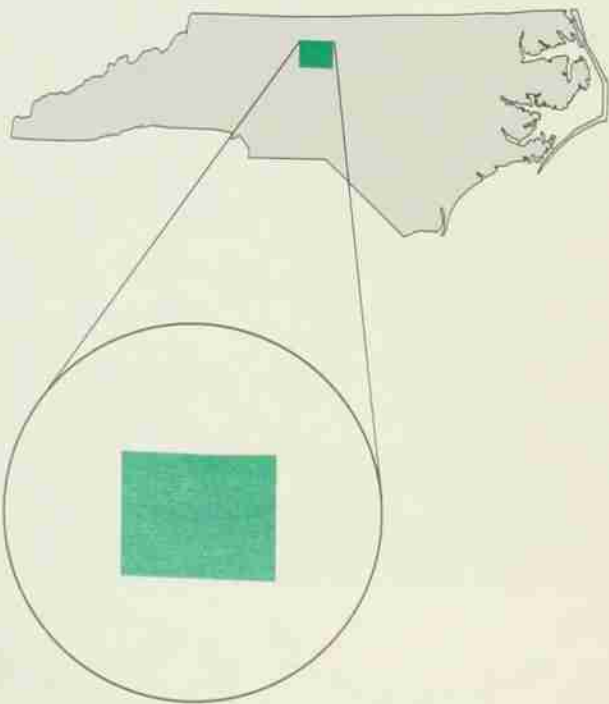
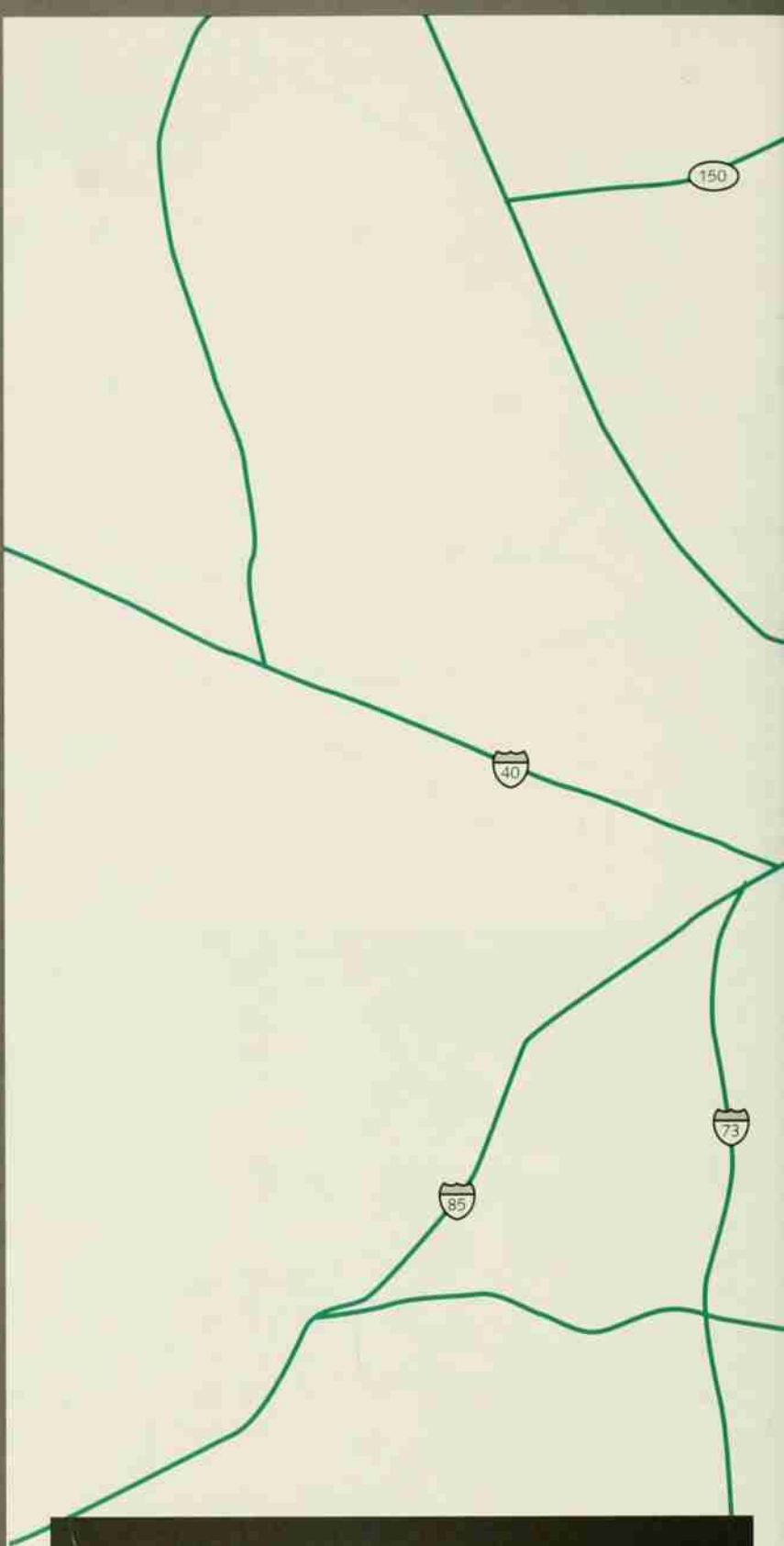


# GUILFORD COUNTY



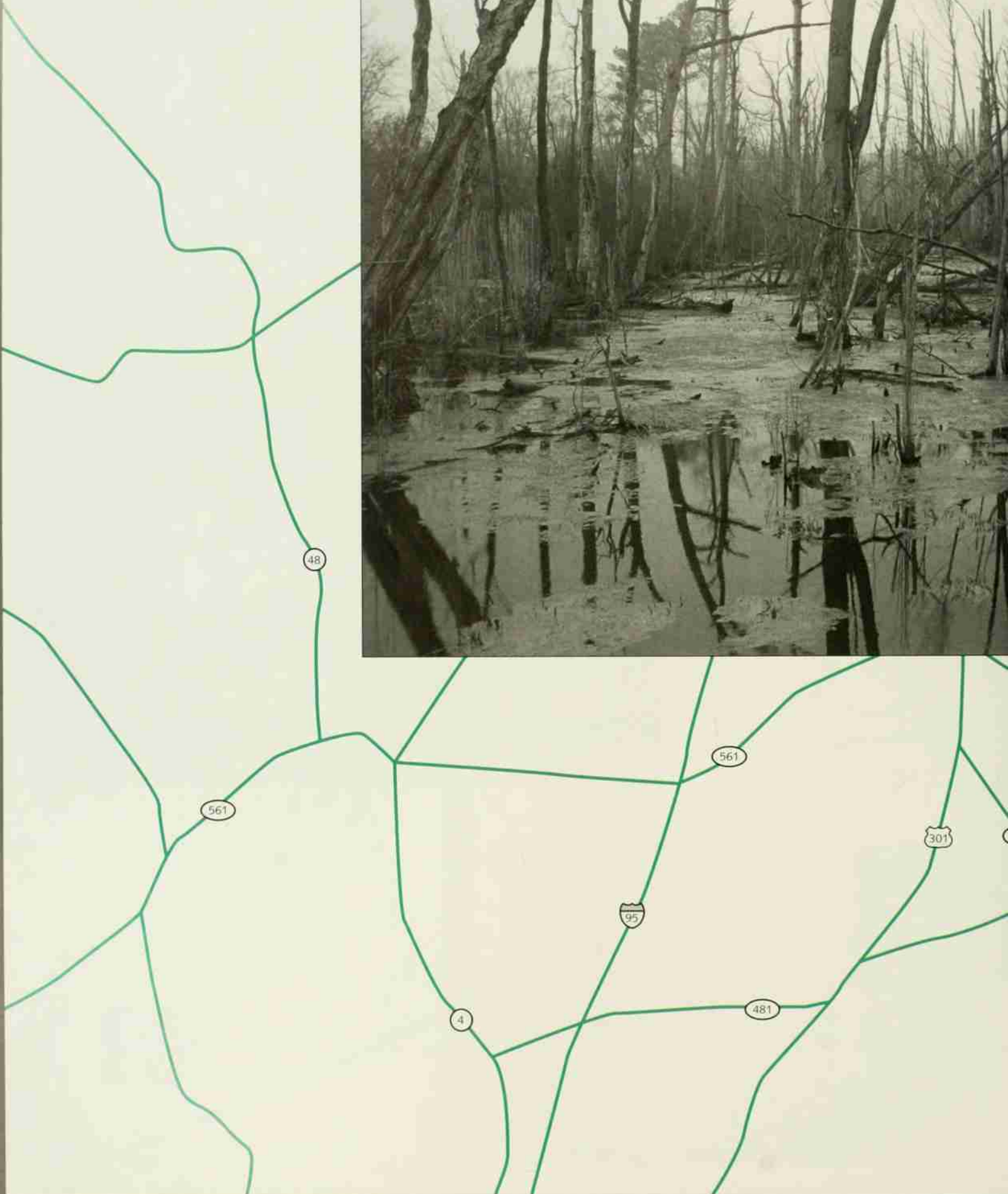
COUNTY SEAT: Greensboro  
ELEVATION: 838 ft. above sea level  
LARGEST CITY: Greensboro  
TOTAL AREA: 657.74 sq. miles  
POPULATION (2000): 421,048  
POPULATION RANK: 3 out of 100 counties  
POPULATION DENSITY: 648.34 per sq. mile

Guilford was formed in 1771 from Rowan and Orange. The act creating Guilford became effective April 1, 1771. It is named in honor of Francis North who was Earl of Guilford. He was the father of Lord North who was Prime Minister under George III during the Revolution. Guilford County is home to the large cities of Greensboro and High Point. In addition to three major shopping centers, Guilford County's major cultural and recreational events include the North Carolina Shakespeare Festival, the Eastern Music Festival, the City Stage street festival, the Greater Greensboro Chrysler Classic professional golf tournament, and the annual men's basketball tournaments for the Atlantic Coast Conference and the Southern Conference. Greensboro Coliseum Complex has been recently expanded and is the host for a wide range of large events.









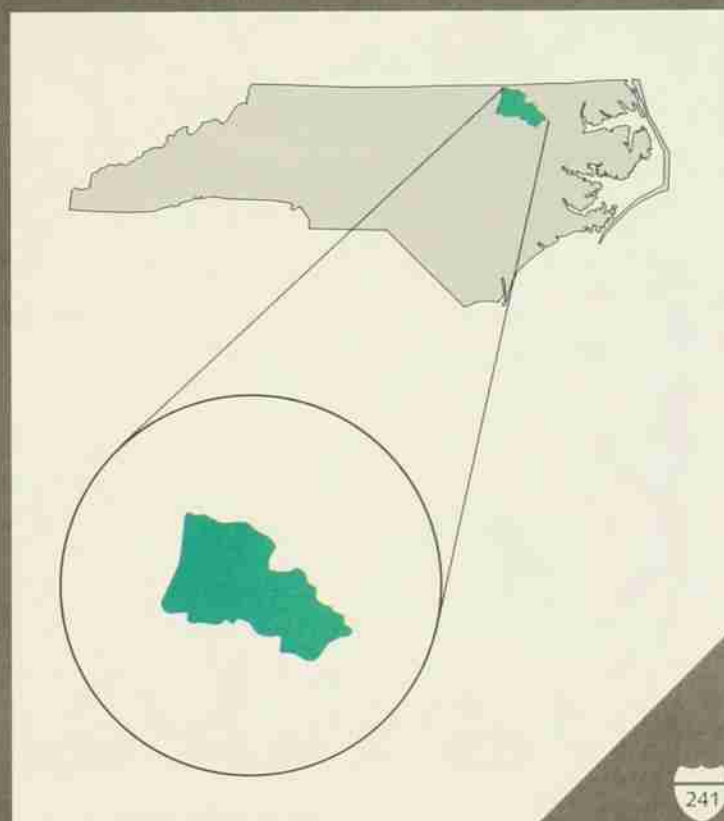


# HALIFAX COUNTY



COUNTY SEAT: Halifax  
ELEVATION: 135 ft. above sea level  
LARGEST CITY: Roanoke Rapids  
TOTAL AREA: 731.25 sq. miles  
POPULATION (2000): 57,370  
POPULATION RANK: 43 out of 100 counties  
POPULATION DENSITY: 79.09 per sq. mile

Halifax was formed in 1759 from Edgecombe. It is named for George Montagu, second Earl of Halifax (1716-1771), president of the Board of Trade and Plantations. Montagu was called the "Father of the Colonies" for his success in extending American commerce. Halifax County is often referred to as North Carolina's "cradle of history" as it is the birthplace of the Halifax Resolves, a document that contributed to the creation of the Declaration of Independence. This document can be visited in historic Halifax. There is also the Halifax County Agricultural Museum, which displays antique farm equipment and is host to the annual Halifax County Harvest Days Festival. In April of every year, the Haliwa-Saponi Tribe gathers in Halifax County for their annual Pow-Wow where onlookers can observe their expression of heritage through food, song, dance, and crafts. In August there is an annual Crepe Myrtle Festival in Scotland Neck (one of Halifax's largest cities). In another of Halifax County's larger cities, Littleton, there is an annual Lake Gaston Festival that features entertainment, food, and games and crafts for children.



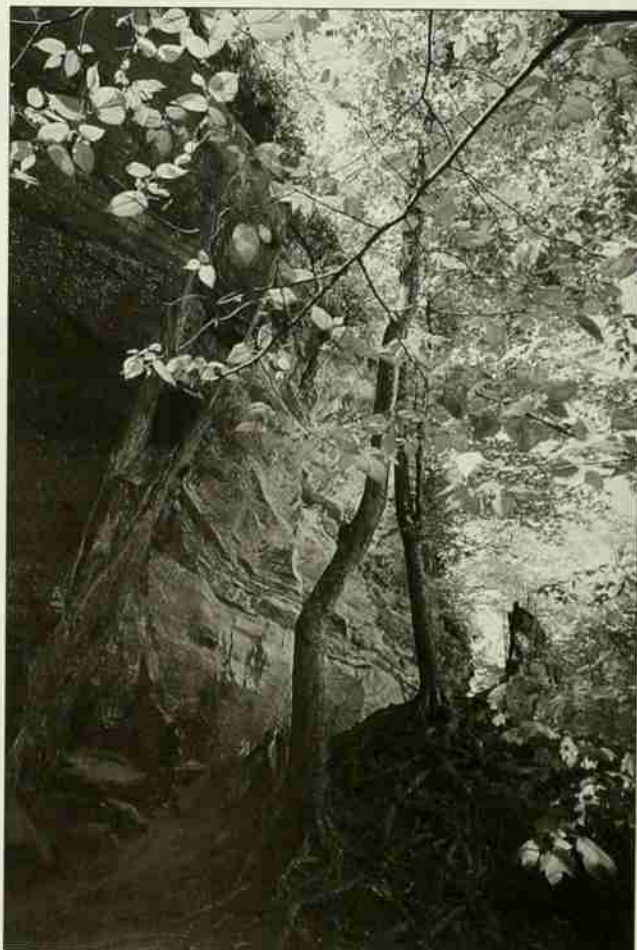
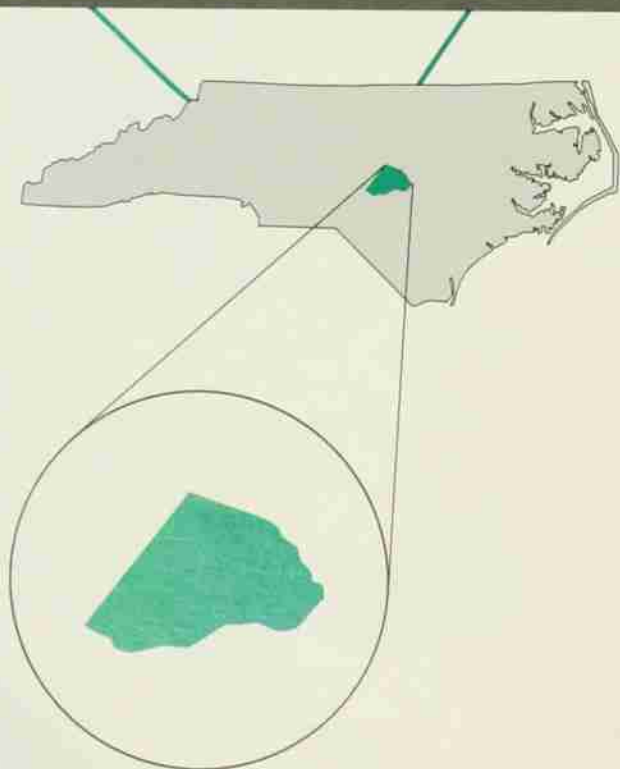


# HARNETT COUNTY



COUNTY SEAT: Lillington  
ELEVATION: 325 ft. above sea level  
LARGEST CITY: Dunn  
TOTAL AREA: 601.18 sq. miles  
POPULATION (2000): 91,025  
POPULATION RANK: 27 out of 100 counties  
POPULATION DENSITY: 152.98 per sq. mile

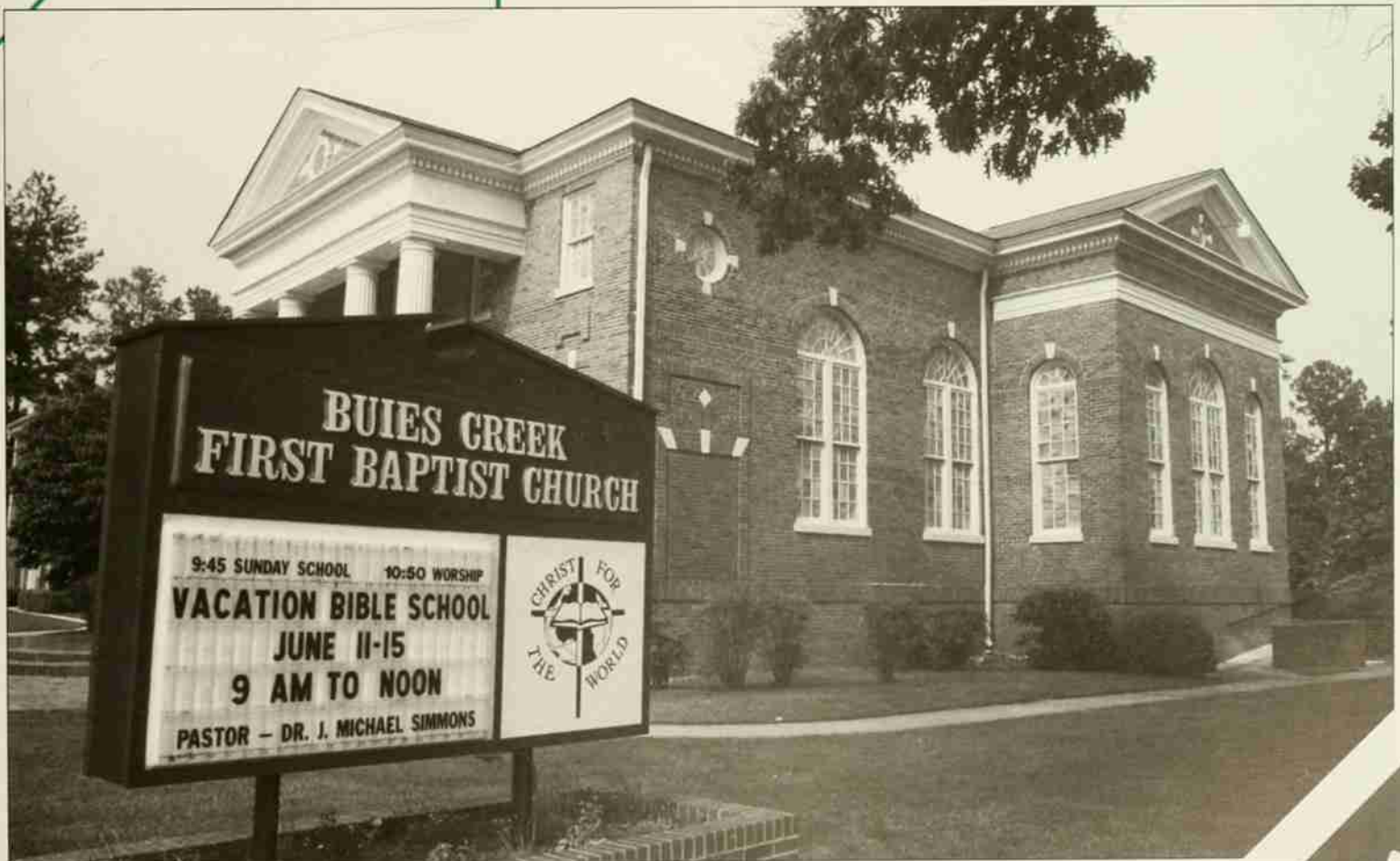
Harnett was formed in 1855 from Cumberland. It is named in honor of Cornelius Harnett, an eminent Revolutionary patriot, president of the Provincial Council, president of the Council of Safety, delegate to the Continental Congress, and author. Like Halifax County, Harnett County also holds an annual Crepe Myrtle Festival. In many ways, Harnett County is especially unique. This county hosts an annual Farmer's Day and Wagon Train, Denim Days, National Hollerin' Contest, and State Singing Competition. The National Hollerin' Contest is held in Spivey's Corner on the third Saturday in June. The contest features festive activities such as singing, dancing, games, arts and crafts, delicious food, and family entertainment. Also in June is the General William C. Lee Celebration. In addition to a celebration in honor of General Lee is the General Lee Airborne Museum.

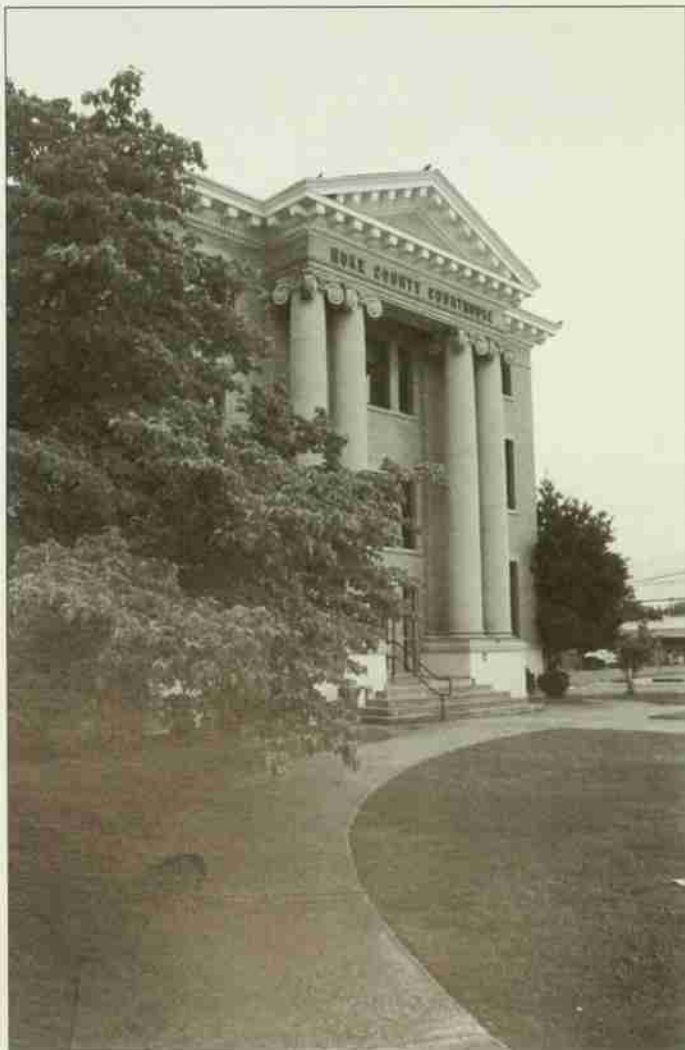
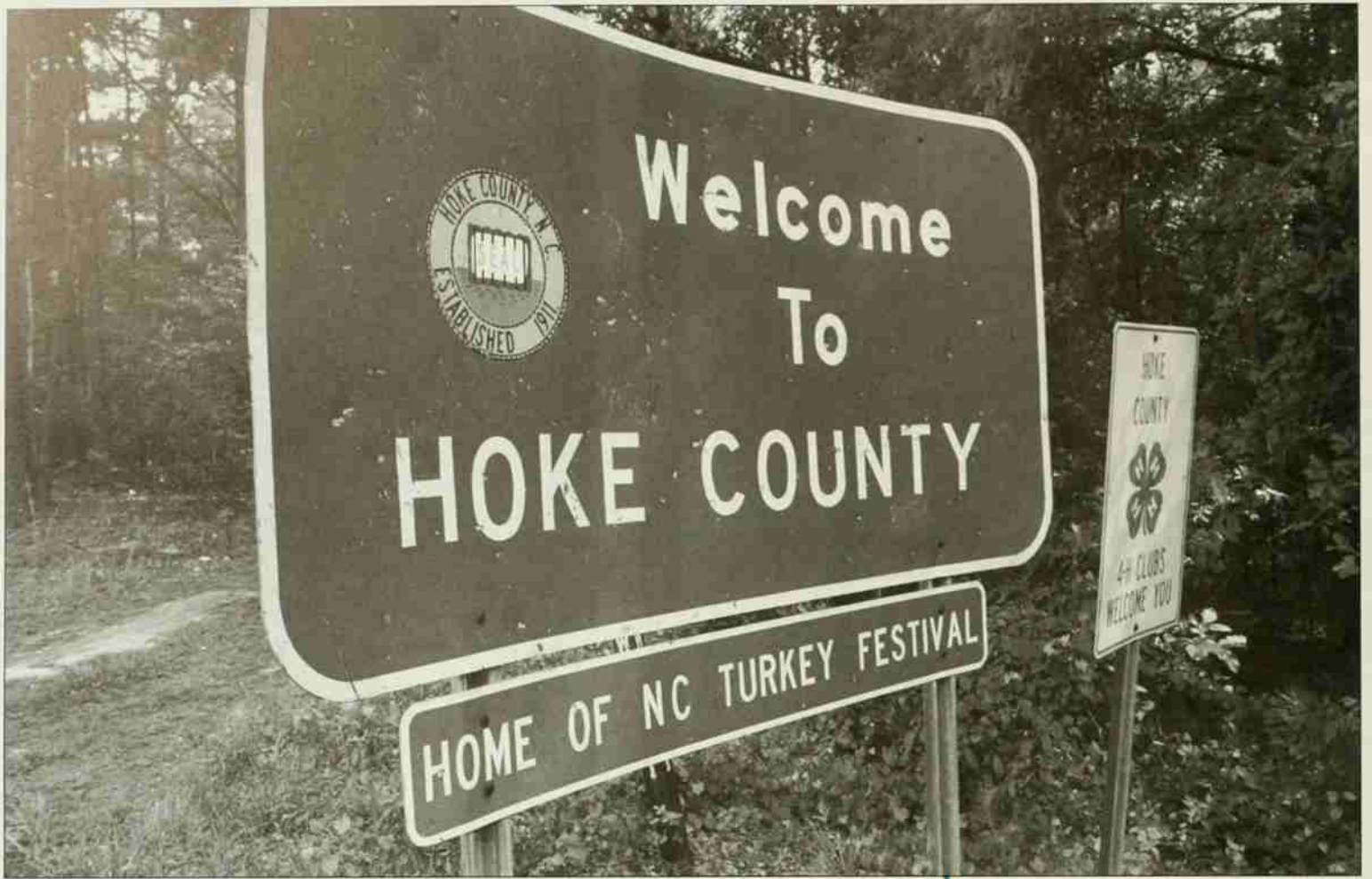


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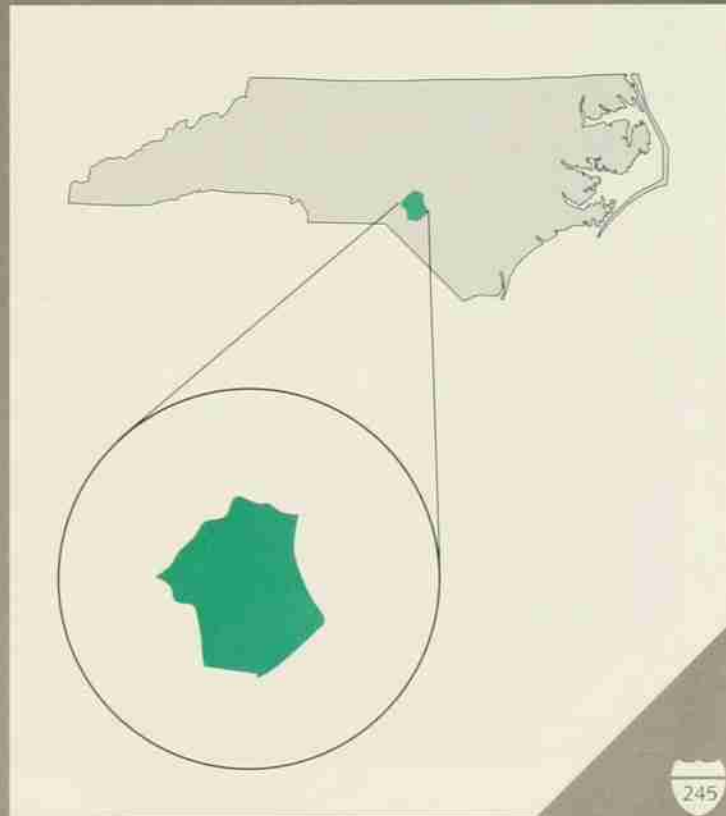
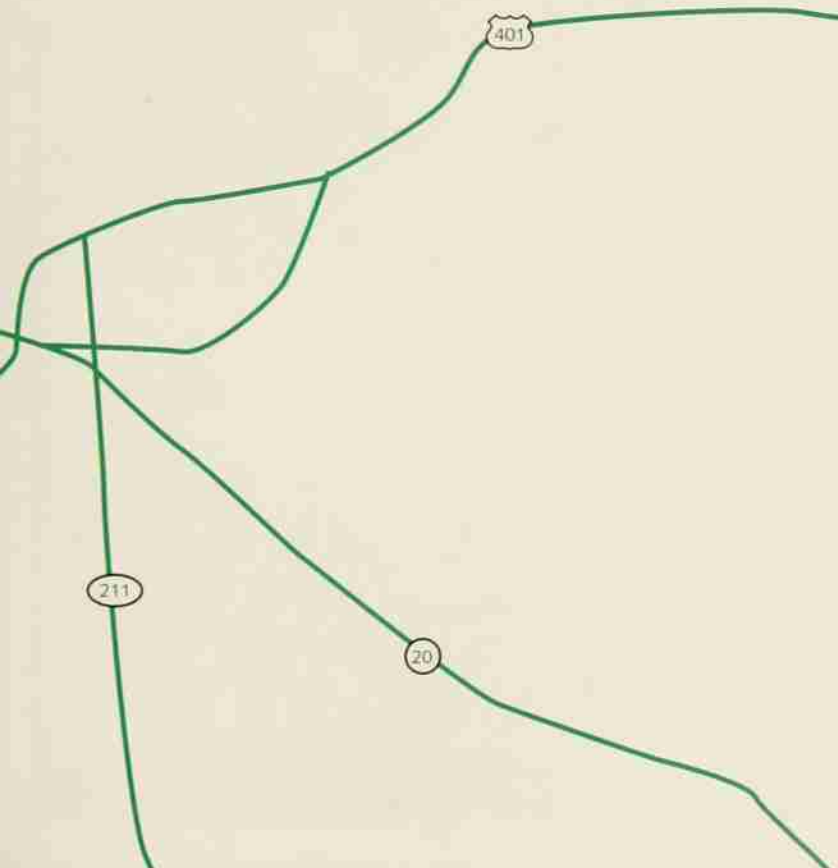


# HOKE COUNTY



COUNTY SEAT: Raeford  
ELEVATION: 262 ft. above sea level  
LARGEST CITY: Raeford  
TOTAL AREA: 392.32 sq. miles  
POPULATION (2000): 33,646  
POPULATION RANK: 64 out of 100 counties  
POPULATION DENSITY: 86 per sq. mile

Hoke was formed in 1911 from Cumberland and Robeson. It is named in honor of Robert F. Hoke, a major-general in the Confederate States Army. One of Hoke's largest cities is Raeford. A relatively small county, Hoke shares Fort Bragg with neighboring Cumberland County. One popular attraction is Bethel Church, the oldest church in the county. Raeford is also host to the NC Turkey Festival, which honors that industry that ranks North Carolina as number one. Started as the Hoke Heritage Hobnob, it gained the name NC Turkey Festival in 1985 and is held at McLauchlin Park, named for the man that successfully lobbied the county's establishment. Every September the festival is host to a statewide turkey cook-off which is not to be missed.





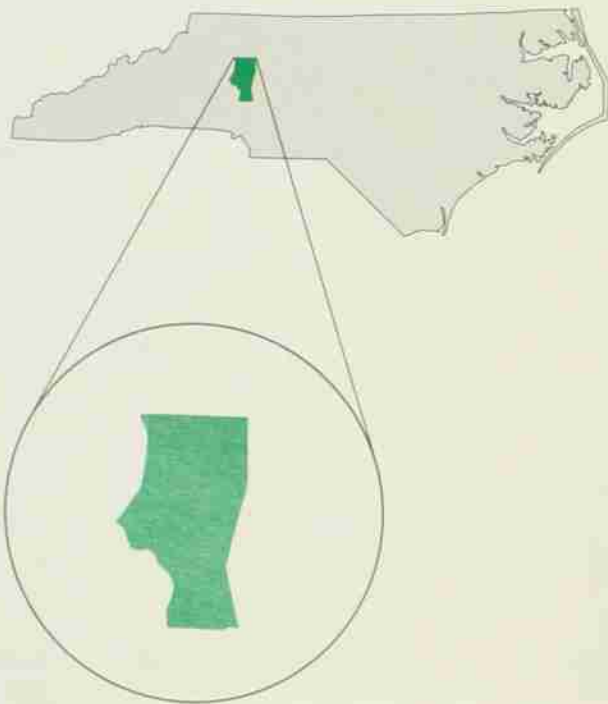
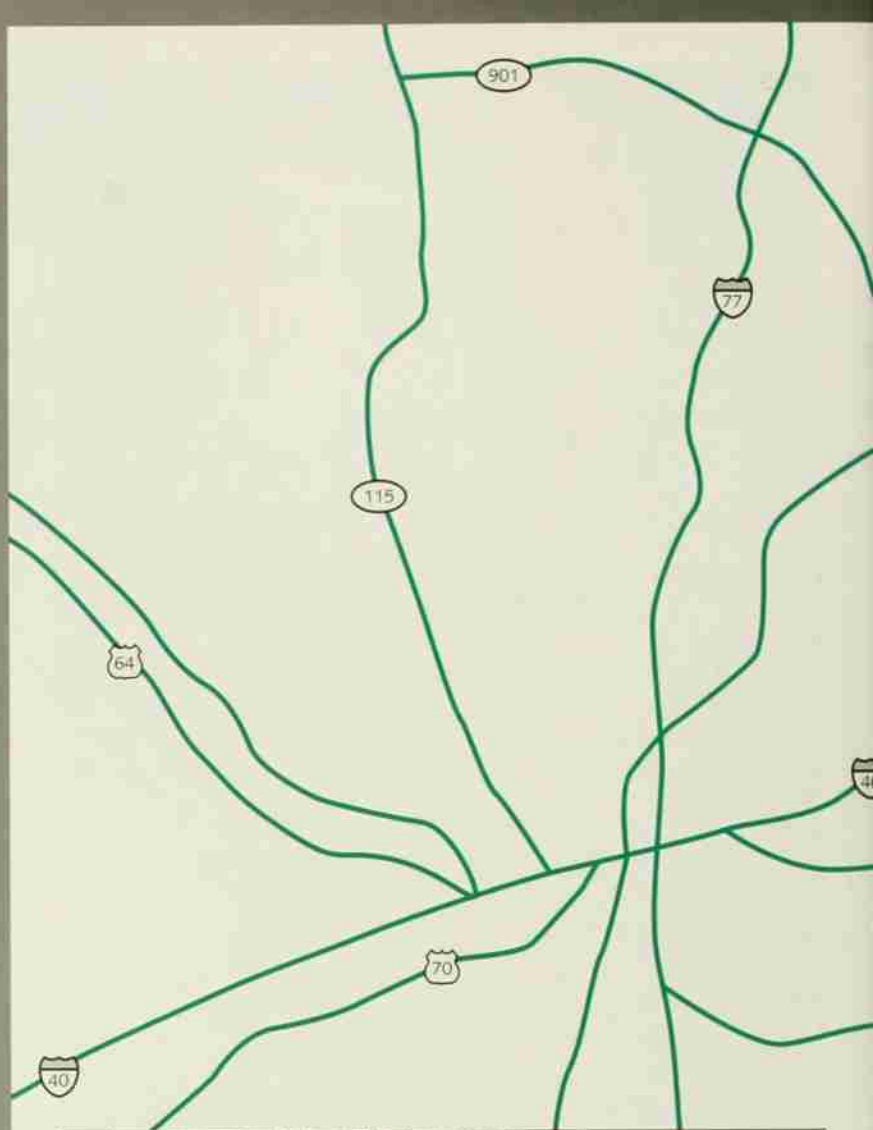
# IREDELL COUNTY



COUNTY SEAT: Statesville  
ELEVATION: 925 ft. above sea level  
LARGEST CITY: Statesville  
TOTAL AREA: 593.15 sq. miles  
POPULATION (2000): 122,660  
POPULATION RANK: 20 out of 100 counties  
POPULATION DENSITY: 213.11 per sq. mile

Iredell was formed in 1788 from Rowan. It is named in honor of James Iredell of Edenton. He was one of the leaders of the state advocating the adoption of the Federal Constitution. Washington appointed him a judge of the Supreme Court of the United States in 1790. Statesville and Mooresville are two very active cities in Iredell County. Statesville hosts the Children's Museum of Iredell County as well as the Iredell Museum of Arts & Heritage. Mooresville is home to Memory Lane Motorsports & Historic Automotive Museum and the N.C. Auto Racing Hall of Fame. Iredell, as is made obvious by the amount of museums on the topic, is well known for racing. Mooresville was home to racing legend Dale Earnhardt, who died tragically this year. In April the county holds the annual Carolina Dogwood Festival.

"I'd say we're sort of country, aspiring towards urban. After all, we are home to Race City, USA." -Kaleb Redden, senior, Chemical Engineering and MultiDisciplinary Studies



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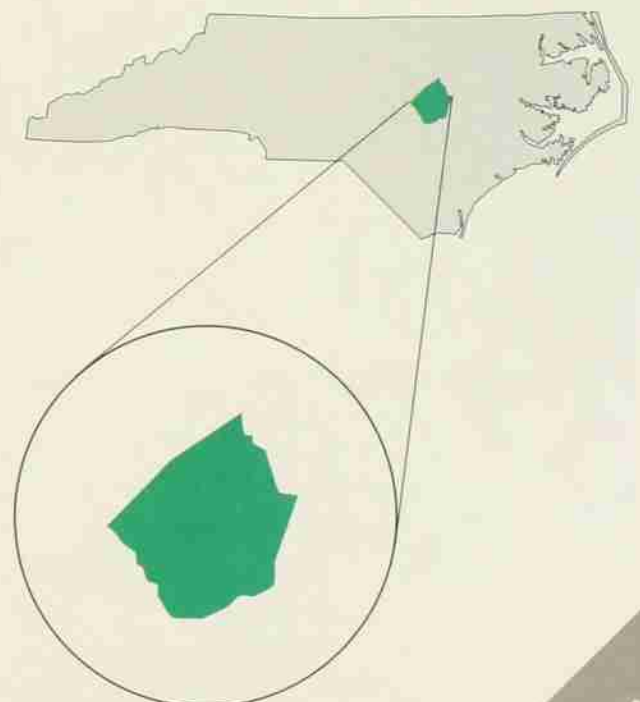
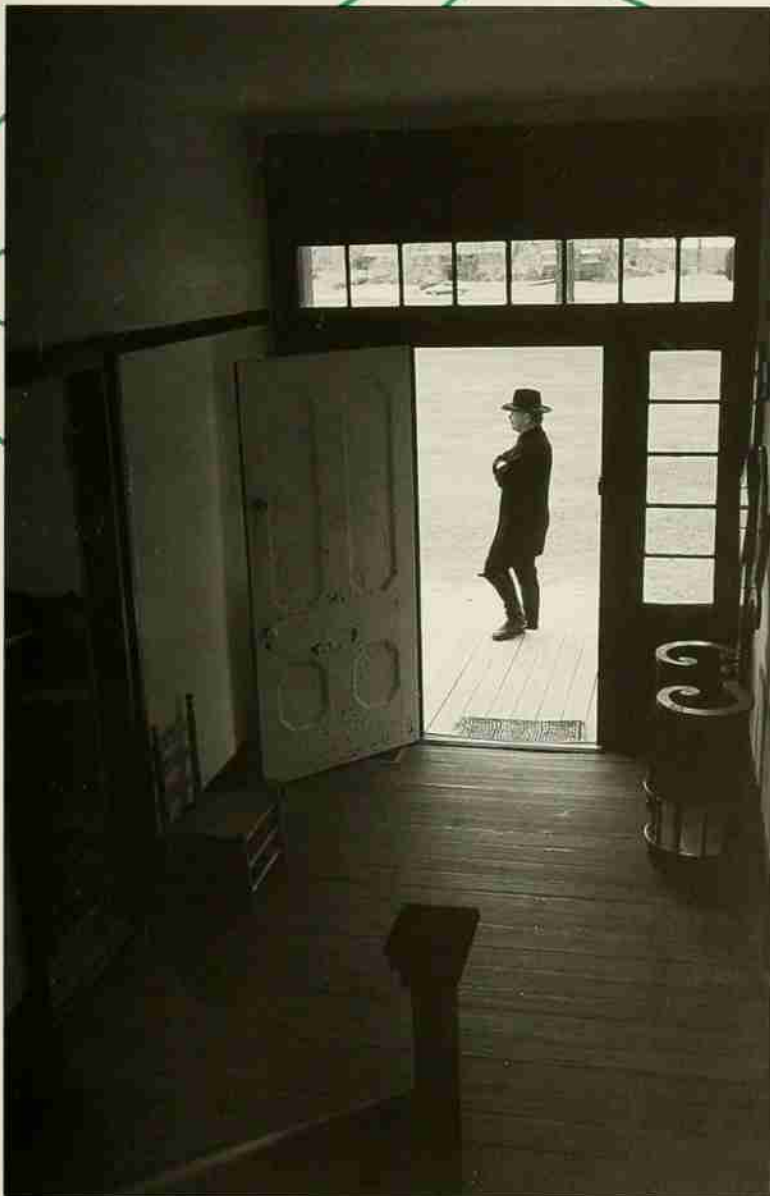
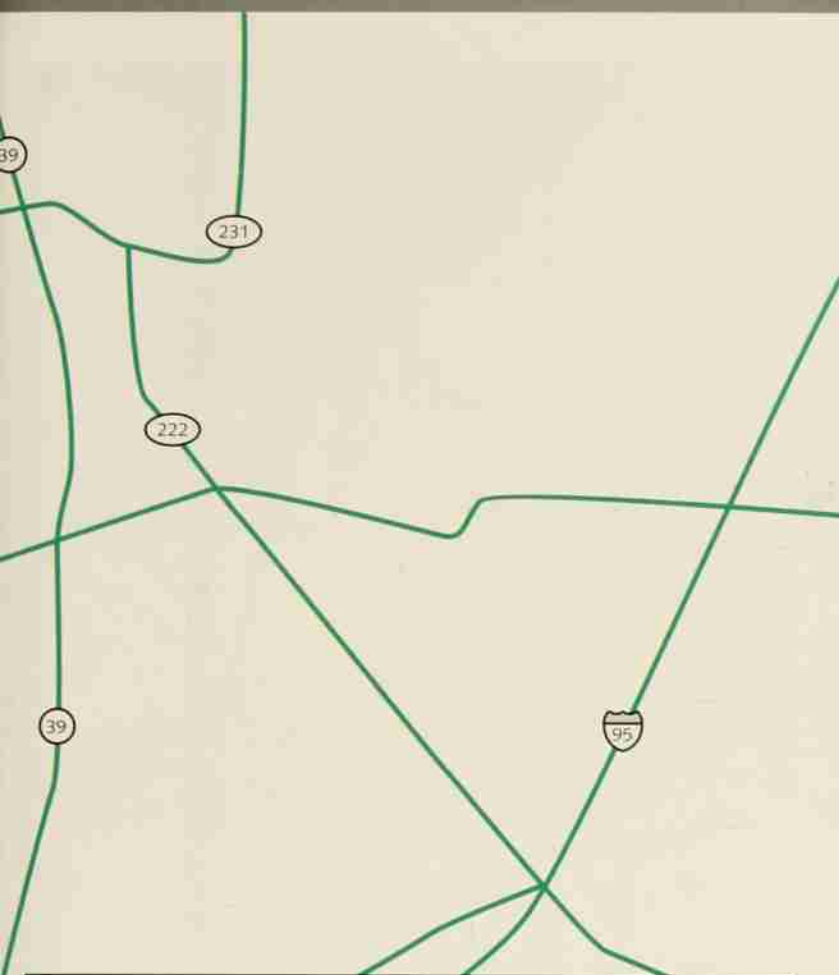


# JOHNSTON COUNTY



COUNTY SEAT: Smithfield  
ELEVATION: 155 ft. above sea level  
LARGEST CITY: Smithfield  
TOTAL AREA: 795.69 sq. miles  
POPULATION (2000): 121,965  
POPULATION RANK: 21 out of 100 counties  
POPULATION DENSITY: 154.02 per sq. mile

Johnston was formed in 1746 from Craven. It is named in honor of Gabriel Johnston, Governor of North Carolina, 1734-1752. Regarding museums, Johnston County has the Ava Gardner Museum, the Tobacco Farm Life Museum, and the Johnston County Heritage Center. The Tobacco Farm Life Museum preserves authentic rural North Carolina heritage. The Ava Gardner Museum celebrates the career of the film legend Ava Gardner - she was born and raised near Smithfield, one of Johnston County's larger cities. The Clemmons Education State Forest also offers tours, classes, and events for Johnston County. The county is also very active in annual festivals. Some of the more popular events are the Brookhill Steeplechase, the Bentonville Battleground historic re-enactments and living history program, Benson Mule Days, Smithfield Ham and Yam Festival, Four Oaks Acorn Festival, Clayton Harvest Festival and Arts Fair, and the Selma Road Days.

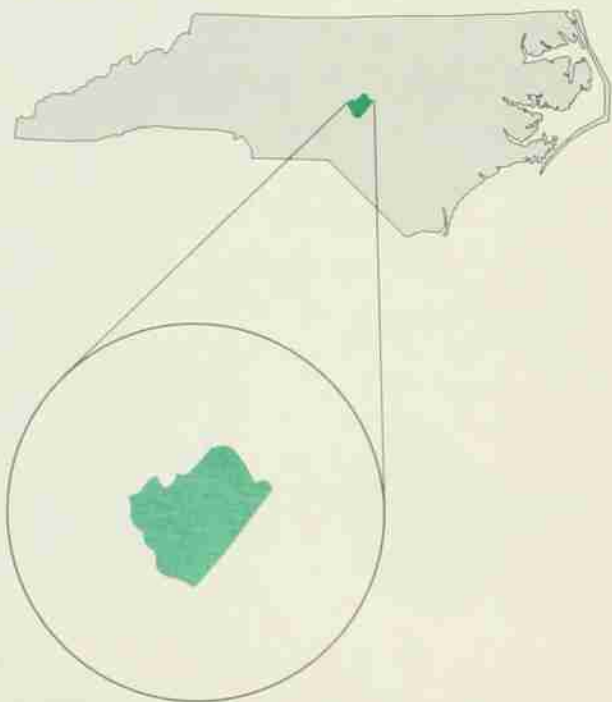
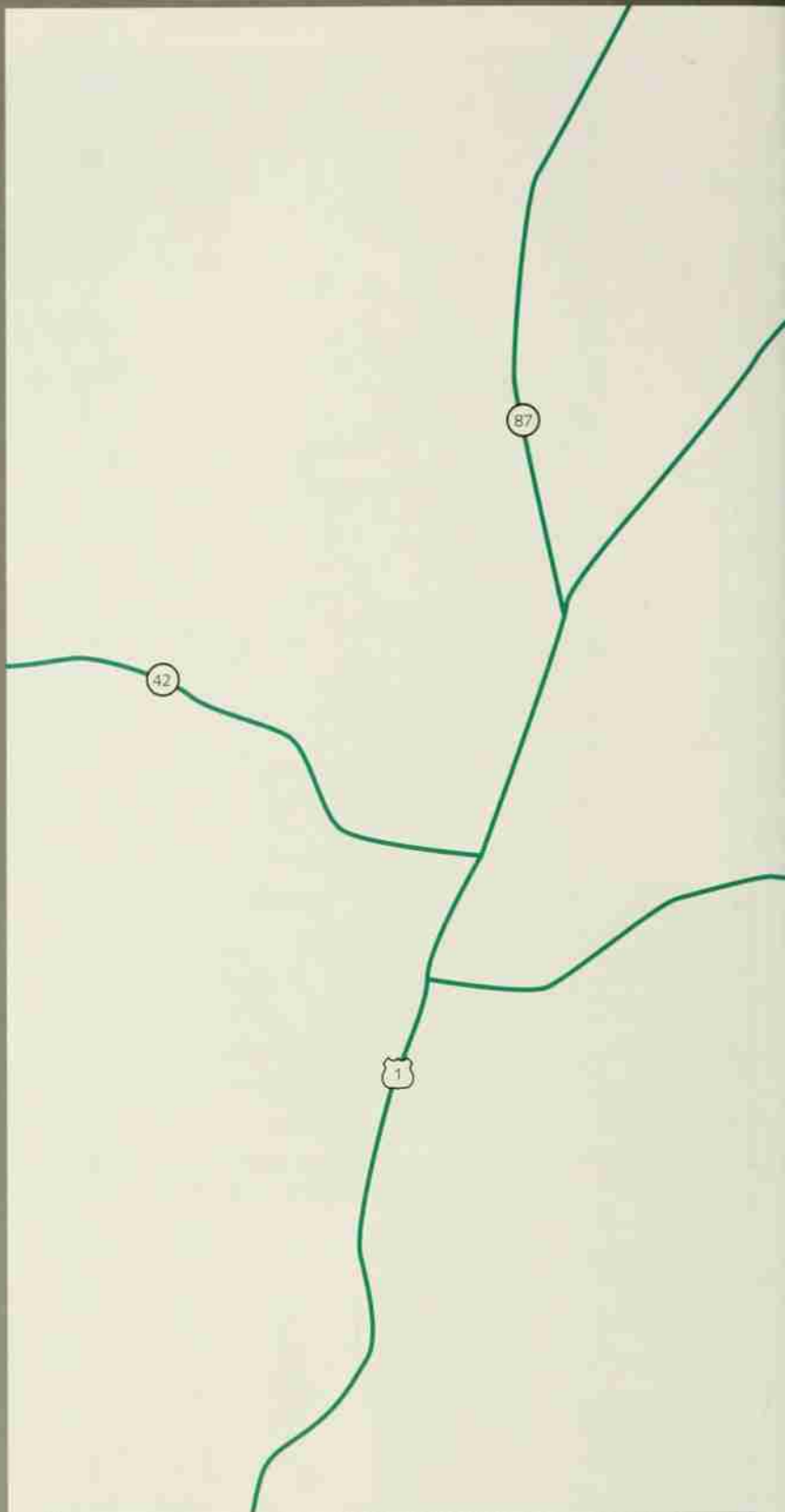


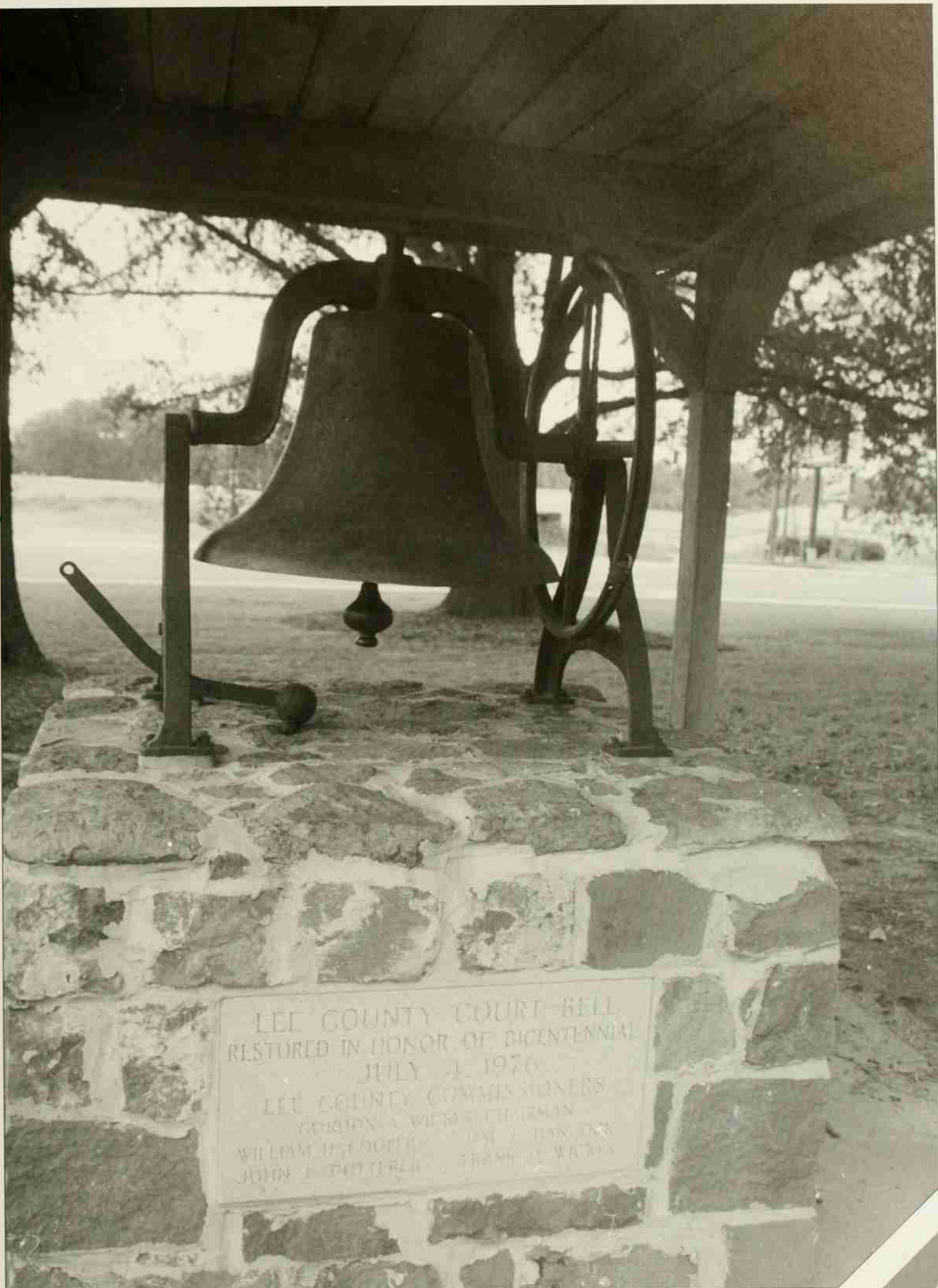
# LEE COUNTY



COUNTY SEAT: Sanford  
ELEVATION: 375 ft. above sea level  
LARGEST CITY: Sanford  
TOTAL AREA: 259.25 sq. miles  
POPULATION (2000): 49,040  
POPULATION RANK: 49 out of 100 counties  
POPULATION DENSITY: 190.62 per sq. mile

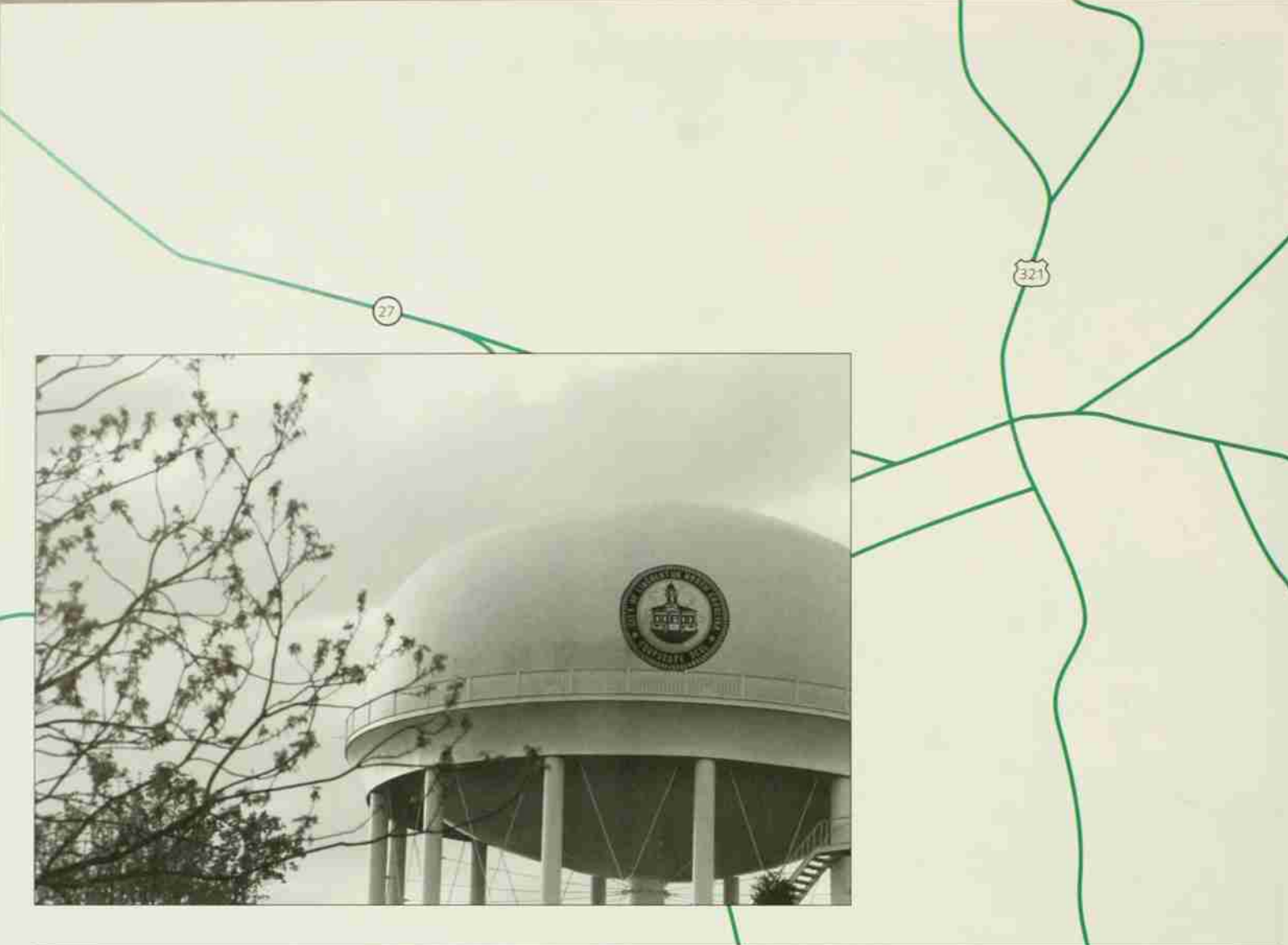
Lee was formed in 1908 from Moore and Chatham. It is named in honor of Robert E. Lee, a Confederate leader in the United States Civil War. Sanford is one of Lee county's largest cities. This county is home to a small railroad museum located in downtown Sanford. The Pottery Festival, Antiques in the Park day, and some small business expositions are activities in which many Lee County citizens participate.





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# LINCOLN COUNTY



COUNTY SEAT: Lincolnton  
ELEVATION: 860 ft. above sea level

LARGEST CITY: Lincolnton

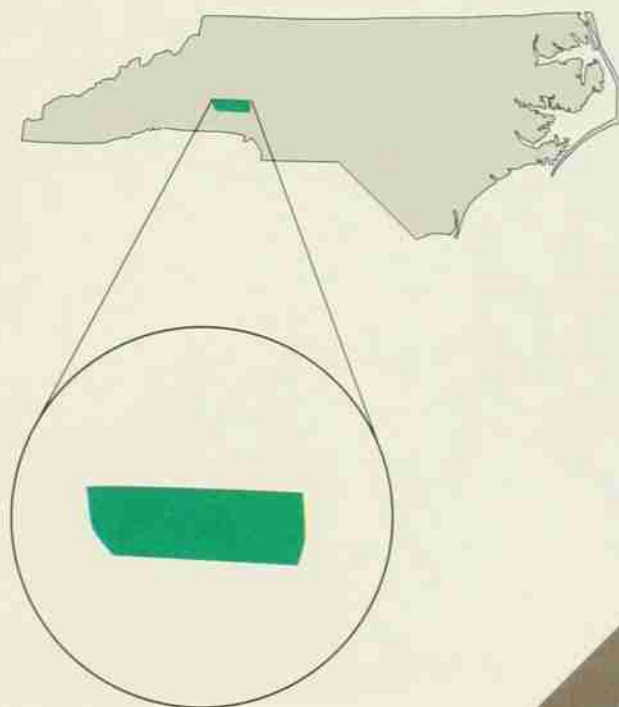
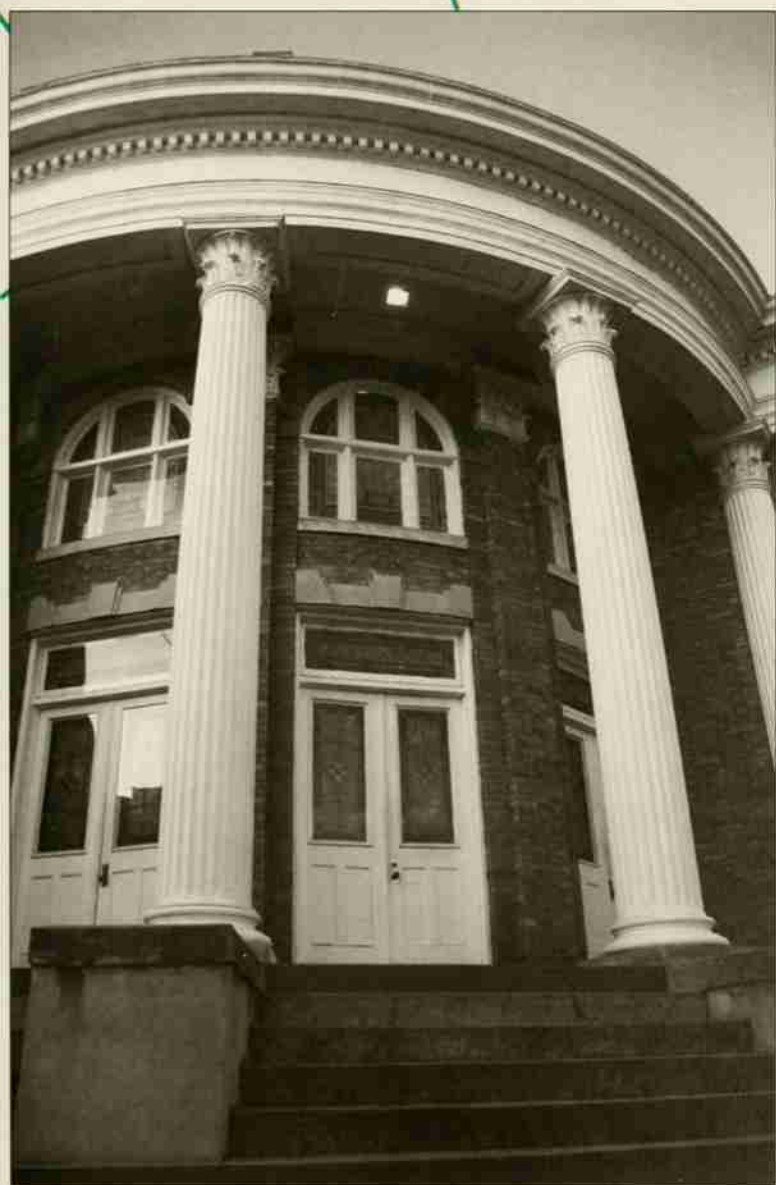
TOTAL AREA: 307.11 sq. miles

POPULATION (2000): 63,780

POPULATION RANK: 37 OUT OF 100 COUNTIES

POPULATION DENSITY: 213.46 per sq. mile

Lincoln was formed in 1779 from Tryon. It is named in honor of General Benjamin Lincoln, a distinguished general of the American Revolution whom George Washington appointed to receive the sword of Cornwallis when he surrendered at Yorktown. Lincolnton city is the locale for the Lincoln Cultural Center which has arts and crafts available for viewing and occasional workshops for its visitors. The east portion of Lincoln County hosts the Strawberry Festival each year during the month of May. In September, Downtown Lincolnton celebrates the Apple Festival.



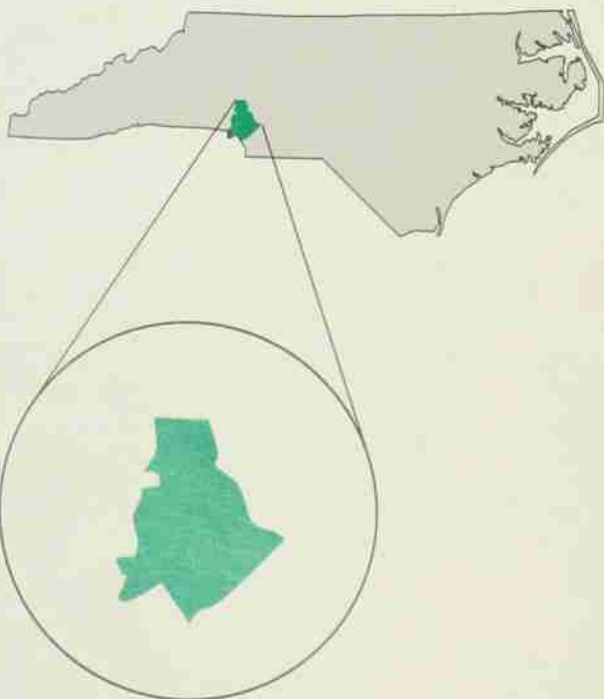
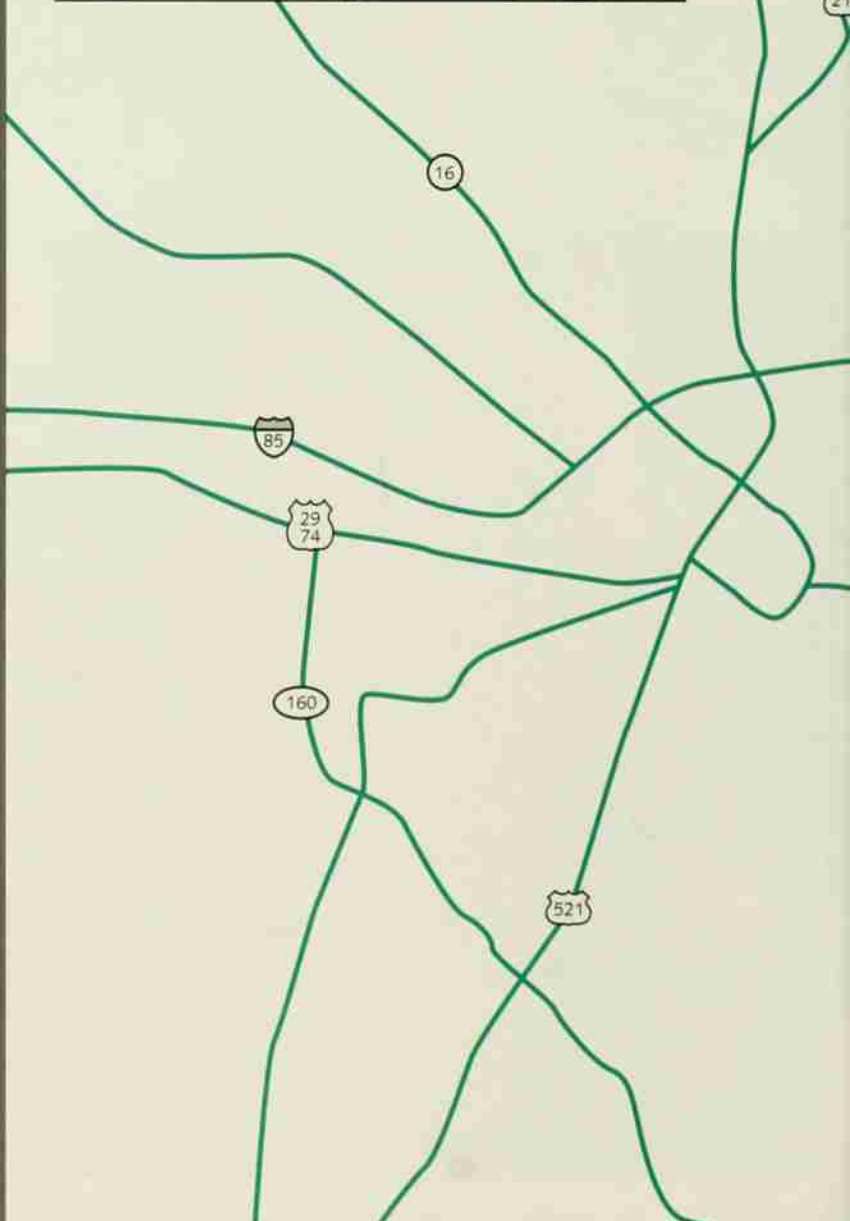
# MECKLENBURG COUNTY



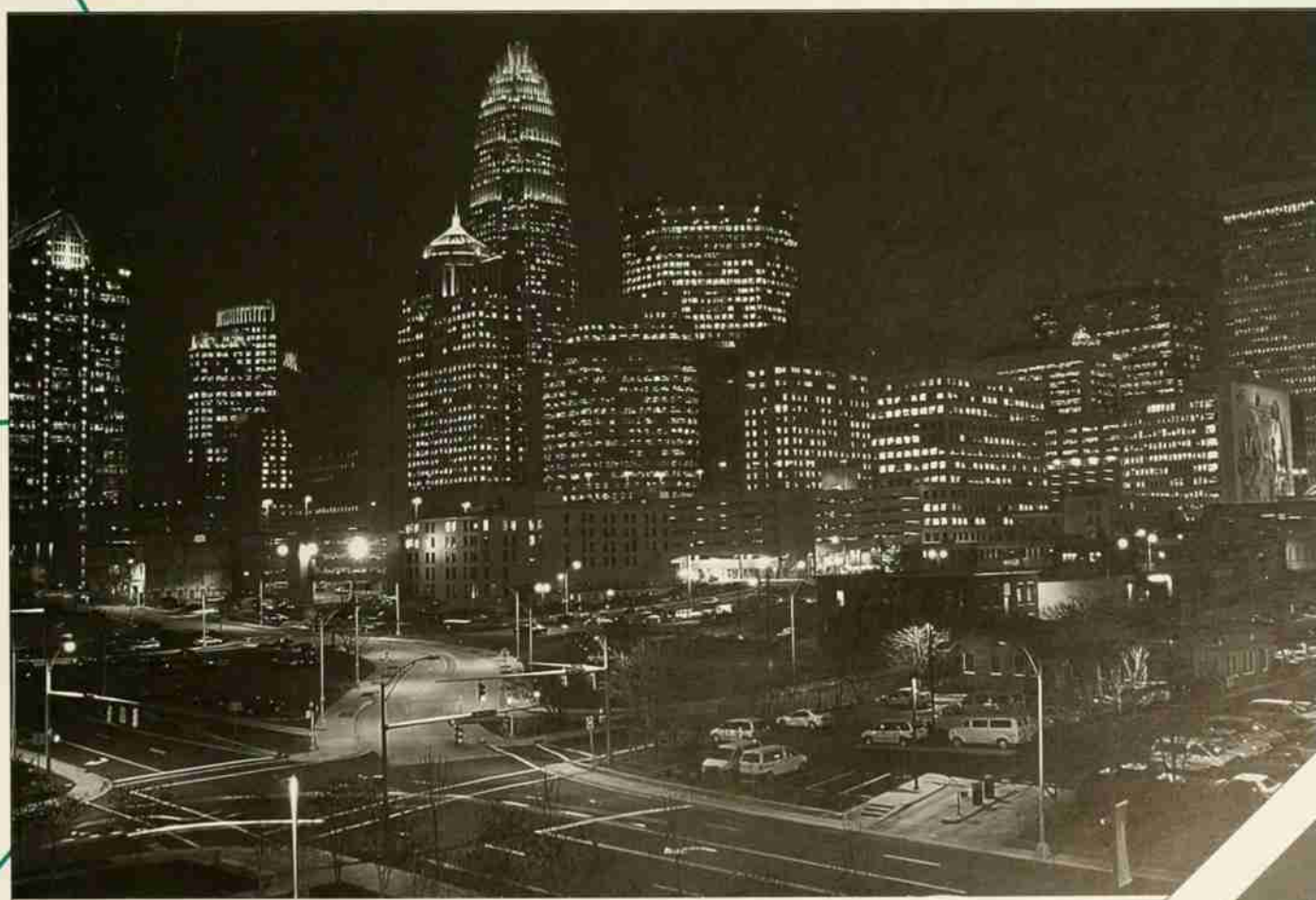
COUNTY SEAT: Charlotte  
ELEVATION: 795 ft. above sea level  
LARGEST CITY: Charlotte  
TOTAL AREA: 549.39 sq. miles  
POPULATION (2000): 695,454  
POPULATION RANK: 1 OUT OF 100 COUNTIES  
POPULATION DENSITY: 1321.47 per sq. mile

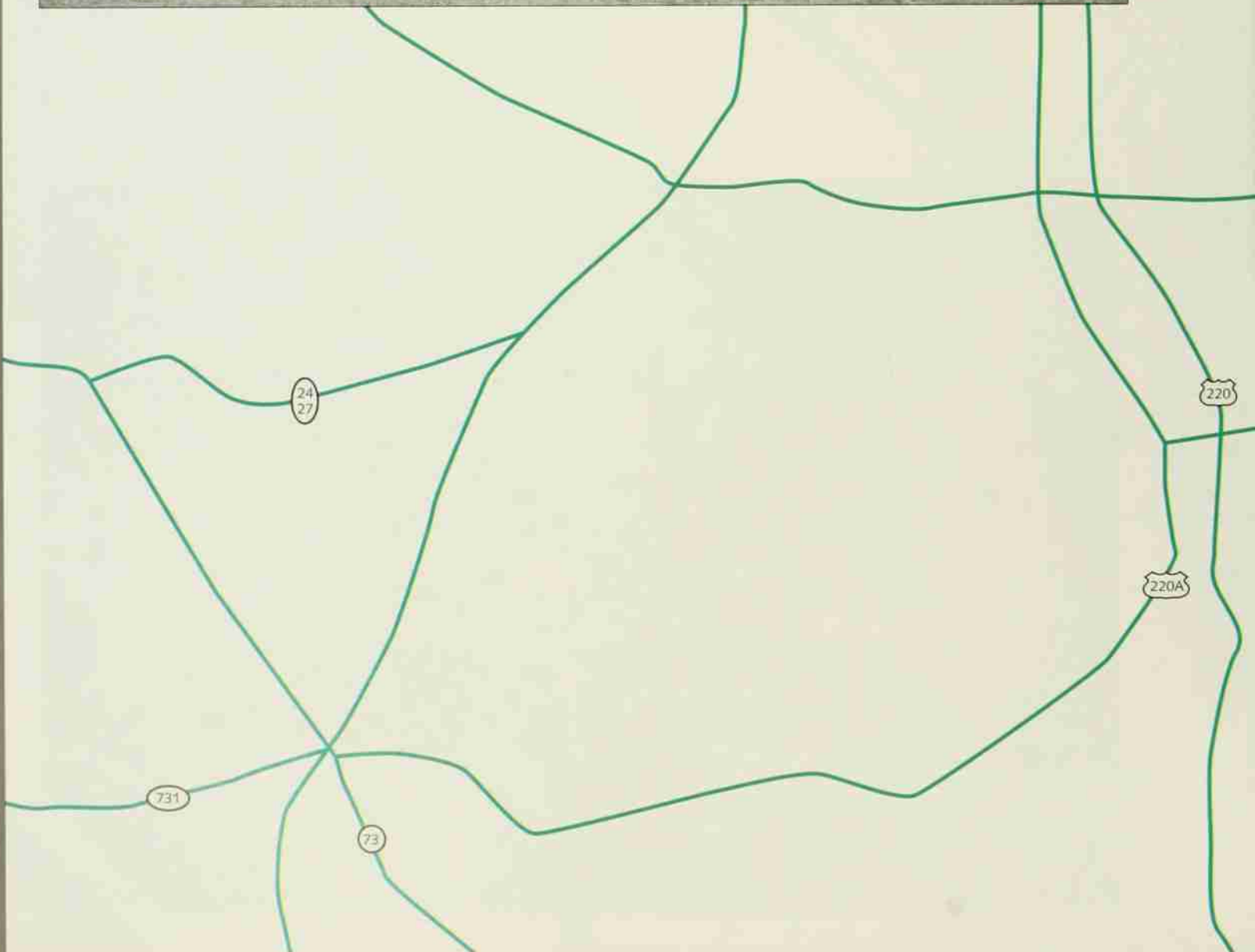
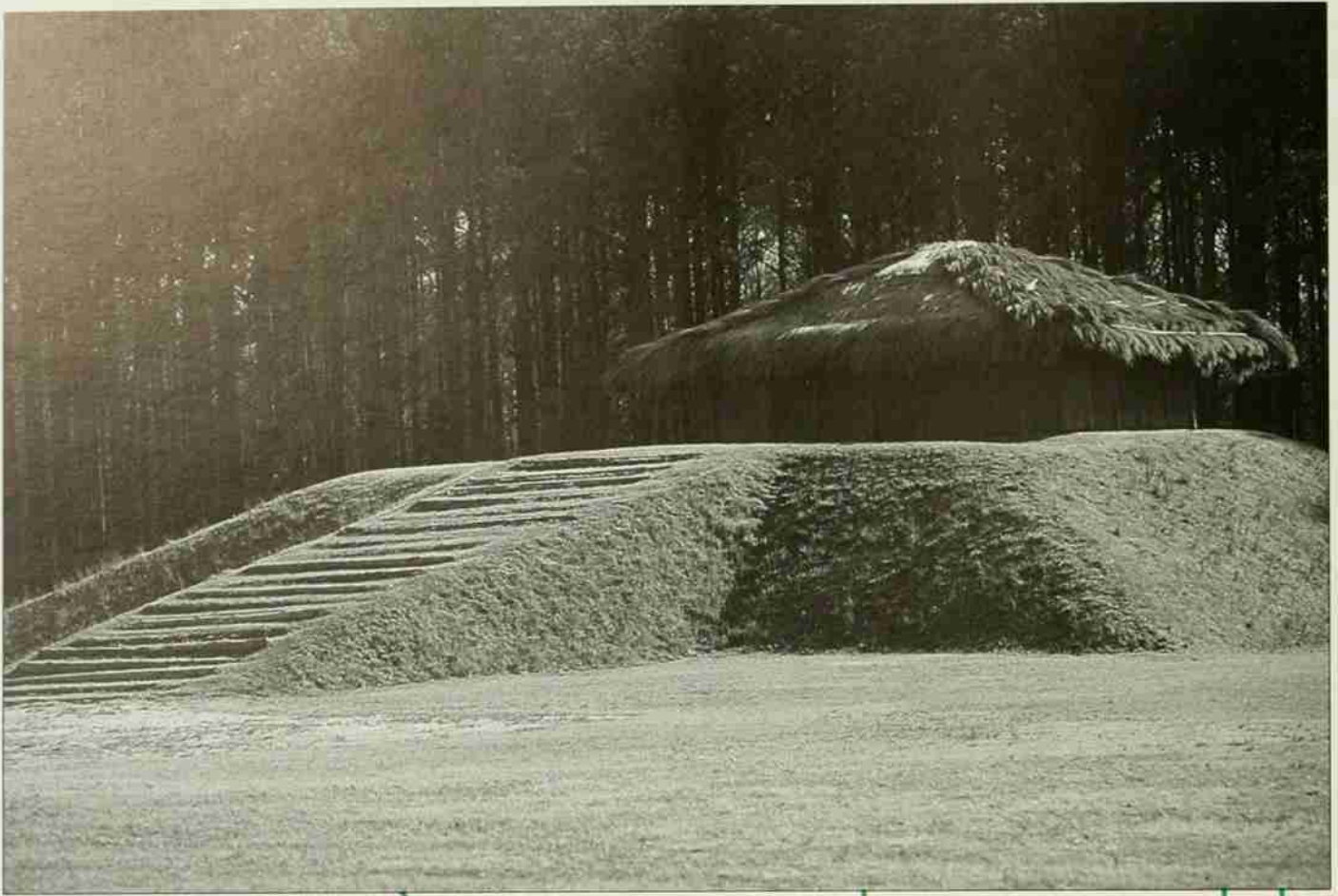
Mecklenburg was formed in 1763 from Anson. It is named in honor of Princess Charlotte Sophia of Mecklenburg-Strelitz, Queen to George III of England. Mecklenburg County is home to the largest city in North Carolina - Charlotte. The county is overflowing with cultural activities and art museums and galleries. There are textile museums, light factories, a mint museum, and an Afro-American Cultural Center. Charlotte is also home to North Carolina's Historic Aviation Commission Air Museum, the Boxing Hall of Fame, a Historic Trolley Museum, the Levine Museum of the New South, the McIntyre Historic site, and many other educational locations. Every year there is the Novello Festival of Reading during October throughout Charlotte and the 600 Festival Association hosts a week of racing events in Charlotte.

"I lived there from when I was two so it's definitely home. It's big. I like it because it has some aspects of the city but there are still some parts that feel 'country.' The edges don't feel like 'city.'" -Stephanie Menser, sophomore, Electrical Engineering











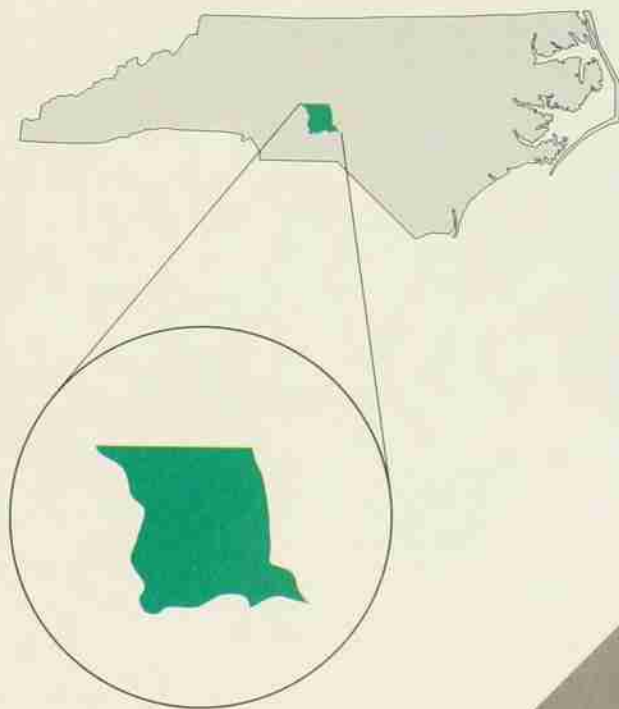


# MONTGOMERY COUNTY



COUNTY SEAT: Troy  
ELEVATION: 664 ft. above sea level  
LARGEST CITY: Troy  
TOTAL AREA: 501.33 sq. miles  
POPULATION (2000): 26,822  
POPULATION RANK: 71 OUT OF 100 COUNTIES  
POPULATION DENSITY: 54.56 per sq. mile

Montgomery was formed in 1779 from Anson. It is named in honor of Richard Montgomery who, in 1775, lost his life at the battle of Quebec in the attempt to conquer Canada. Montgomery County is home to Biscoe, Candor, Ether, Mount Gilead, Star, and Troy cities. Each city hosts its own special community event. Some of these events are the Star Fiddlers' Convention in February, Mt. Gilead's Day in the Park in June, Troyfest in July, the Candor Peach Festival, the Troy Christmas Tree Lighting, Shiloh Church Christmas Tea, Mt. Gilead Christmas Parade, and the Star Christmas Parade.



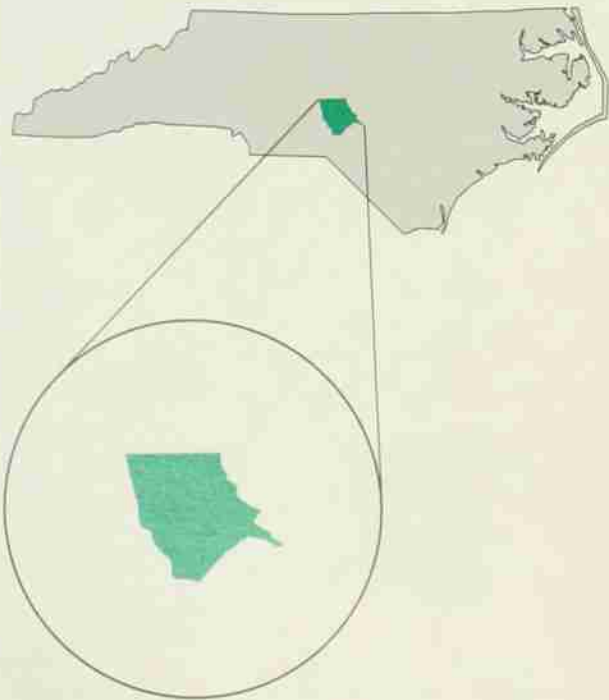


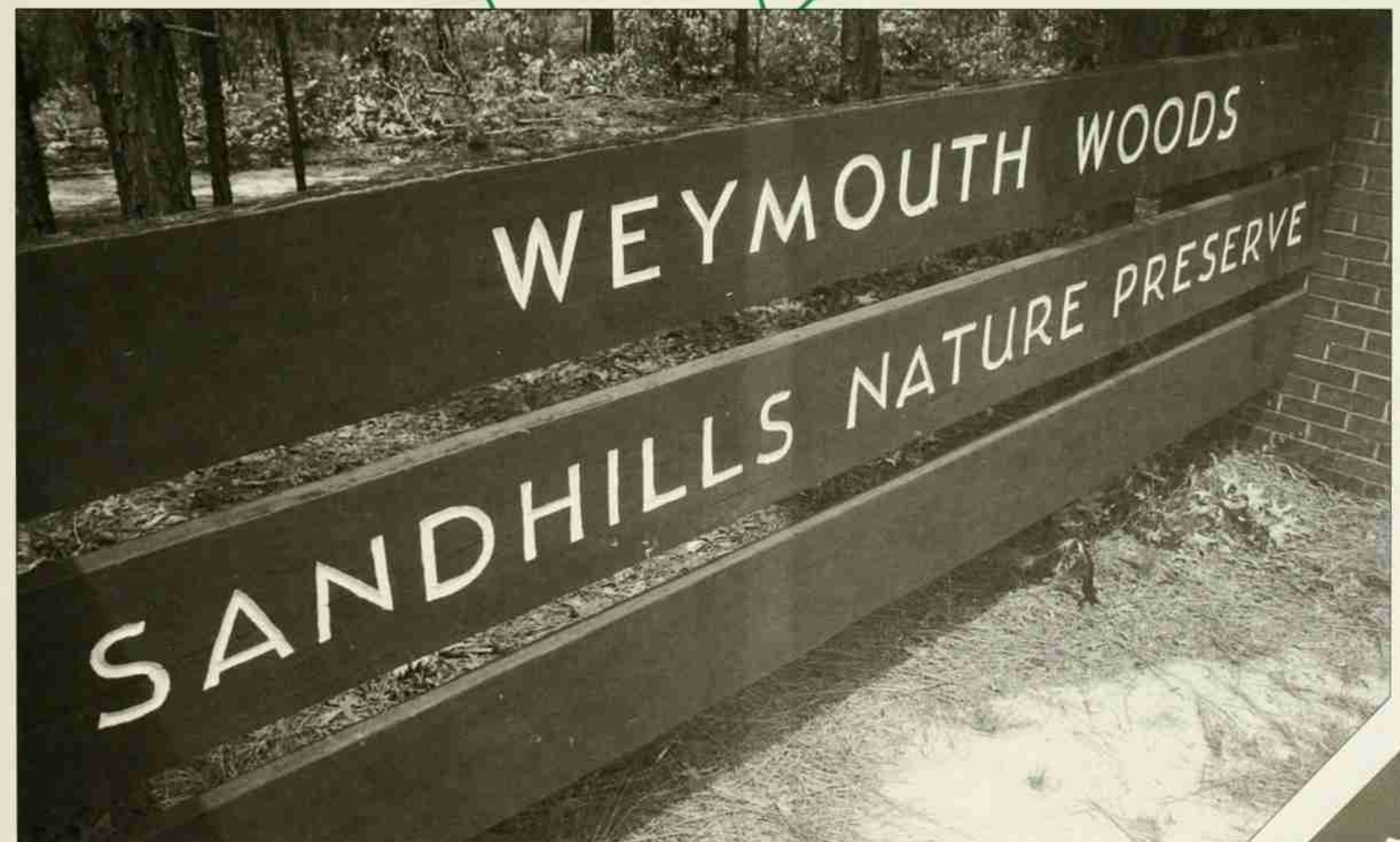
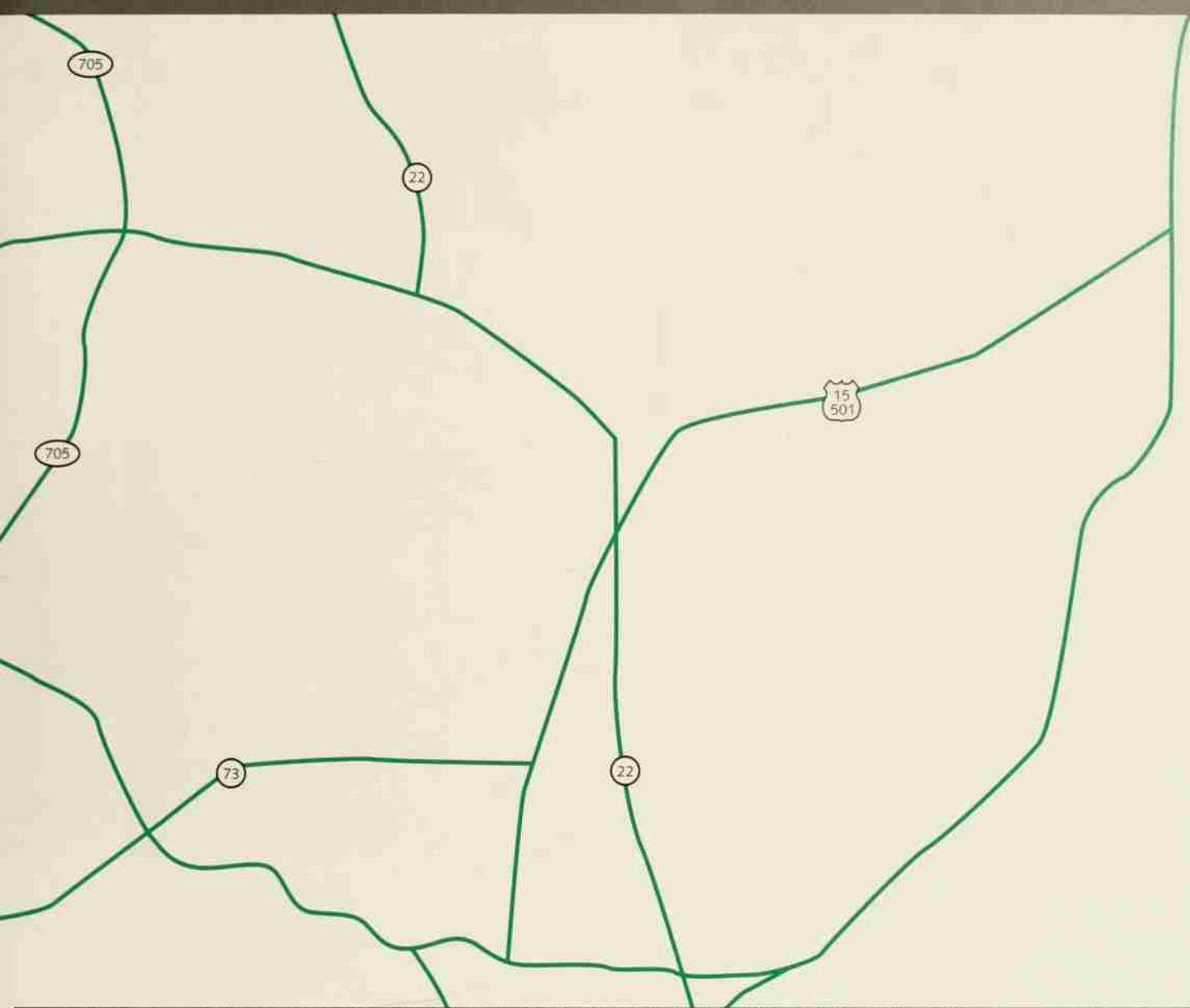
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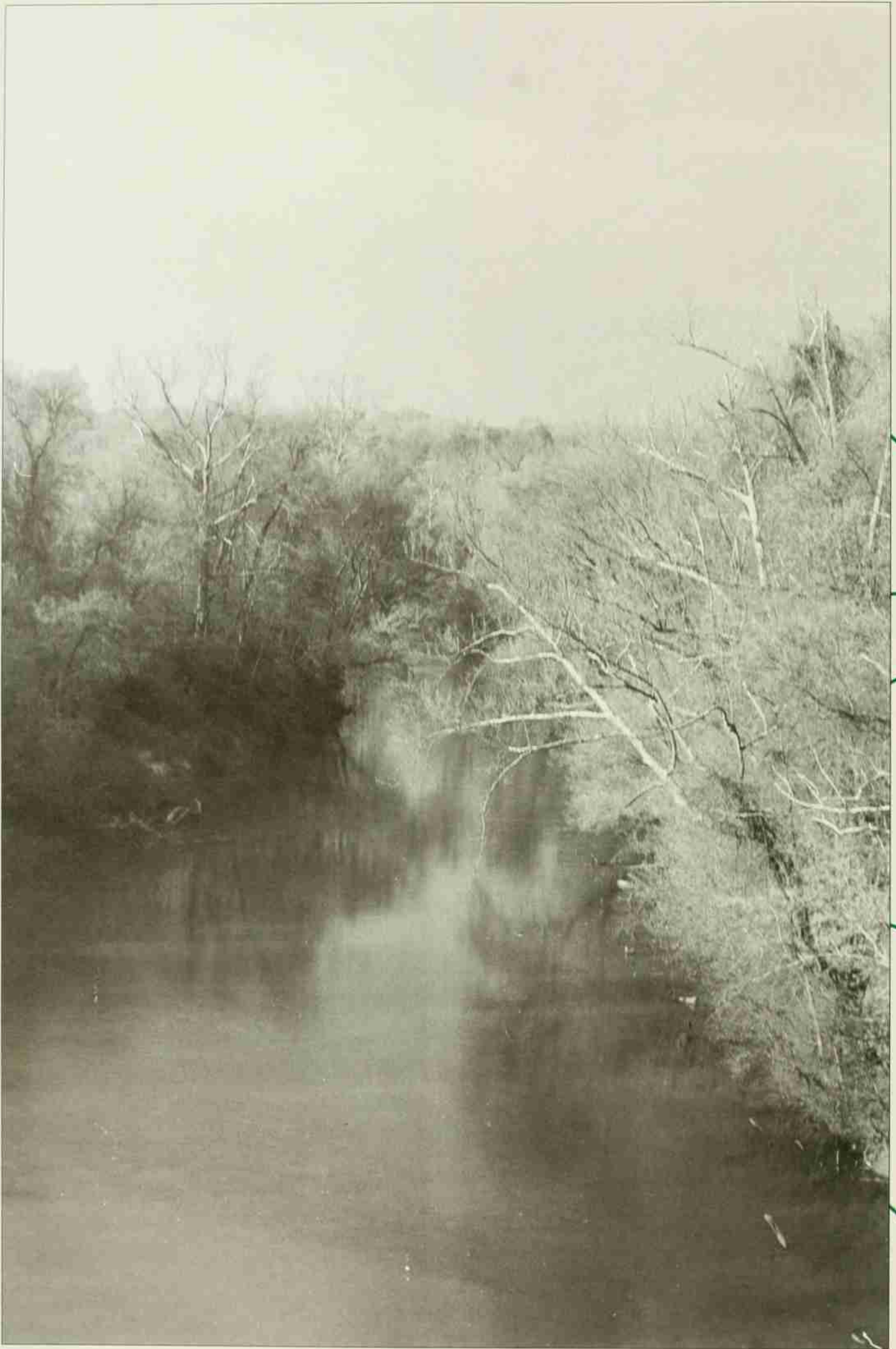


COUNTY SEAT: Carthage  
ELEVATION: 575 ft. above sea level  
LARGEST CITY: Southern Pines  
TOTAL AREA: 705.23 sq. miles  
POPULATION (2000): 74,799  
POPULATION RANK: 32 out of 100 counties  
POPULATION DENSITY: 107.16 per sq. mile

Moore was formed in 1784 from Cumberland. It is named in honor of Captain Alfred Moore of Brunswick, a soldier of the Revolution and afterwards a Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States. Pinehurst, Southern Pines, and Aberdeen are cities in Moore County that are renowned for their Golf courses. They have been selected to be the host of the 2005 US Open and the 2007 Women's US Open. Moore County is known for its scenic views and welcoming atmosphere. Hillcrest Park is the newest big attraction to the area. It hosts baseball, softball, soccer fields, walking trails, a playground and picnic area, and volleyball courts.









# NASH COUNTY



COUNTY SEAT: Nashville

ELEVATION: 180 ft. above sea level

LARGEST CITY: Rocky Mount

TOTAL AREA: 542.71 sq. miles

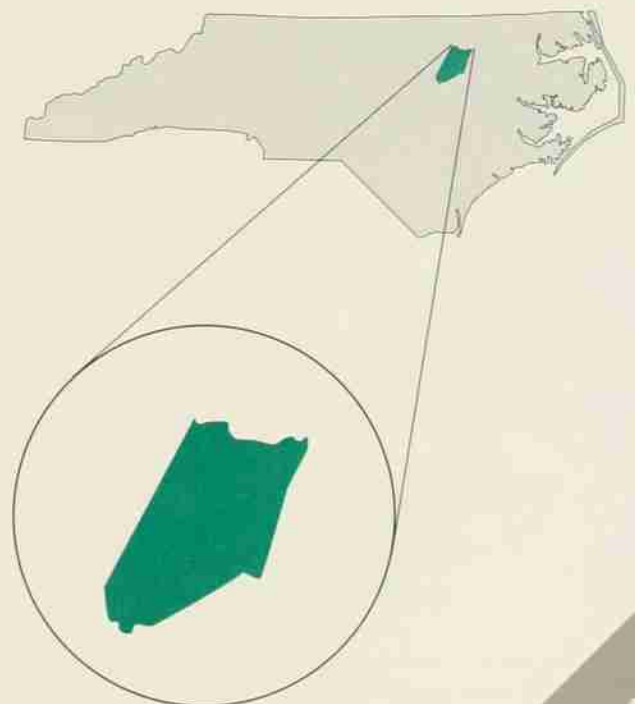
POPULATION (2000): 87,420

POPULATION RANK: 30 out of 100 counties

POPULATION DENSITY: 161.81 per sq. mile

Nash was formed in 1777 from Edgecombe. It is named in honor of General Francis Nash, who was mortally wounded while fighting under George Washington in Germantown. Rocky Mount is the principle city of the town once coined "the city on the rise". The county is home to NC Wesleyan College and a branch of Shaw University of Raleigh that focuses on liberal arts instruction. Popular sites in the county are the Rocky Mount Arts and Crafts Center, housed in a converted water tank, and the City of Rocky Mount Children's Museum. Rocky Mount is also host to the Down East Festival held on the second Saturday of October. One of the largest street festivals in North Carolina, it draws 80,000 people looking to enjoy the traditional North Carolina arts, crafts, music and, of course, barbecue.

"Nash is medium sized and in Eastern North Carolina, Rocky Mount is considered a big city. People come go do their shopping there. We're known all over for Bob Melton's Barbeque. And then there's the Tar River- it actually flooded out the barbeque place during Hurricane Floyd. And there's Battle Park which commemorates... some battle..." -Emily Townley, junior, Secondary Education, English

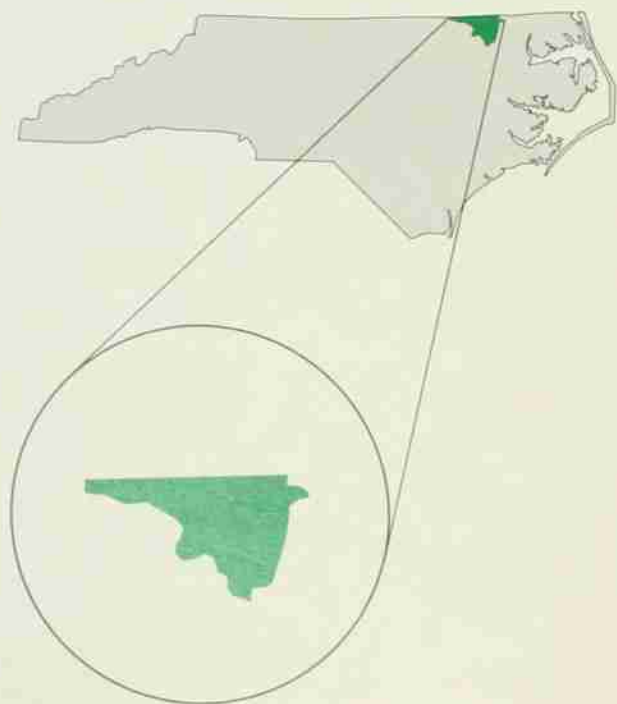
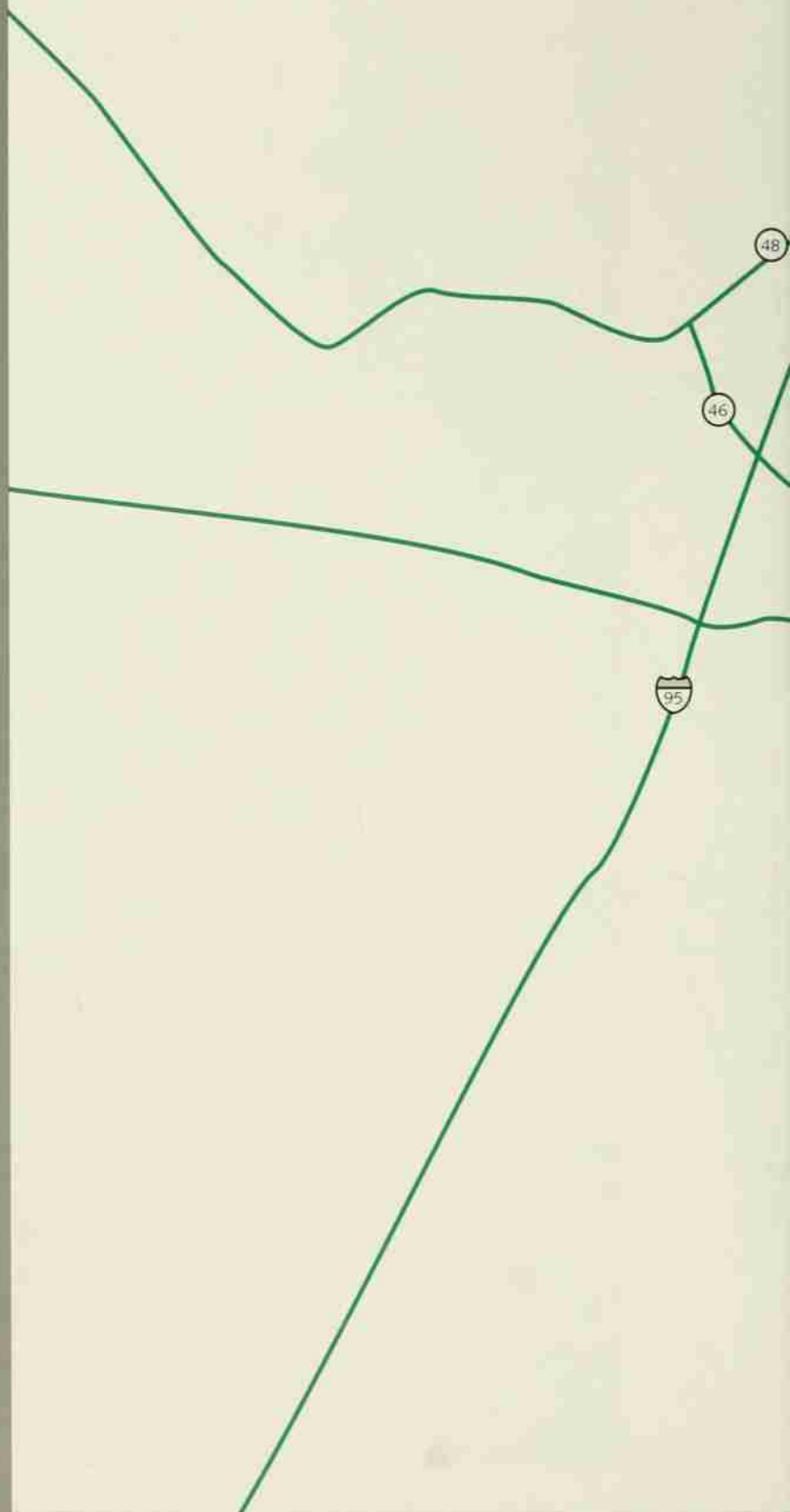


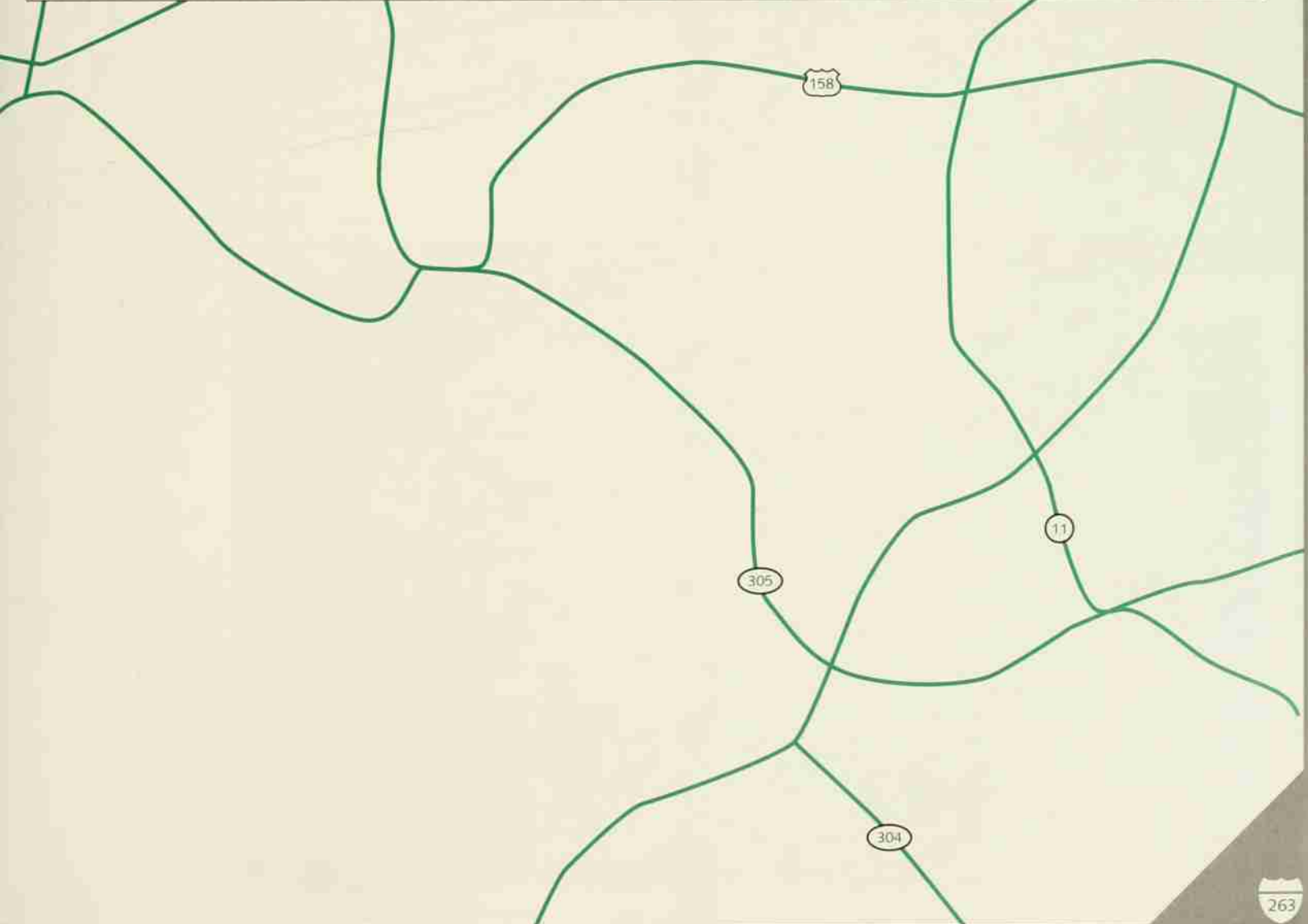
# NORTHAMPTON COUNTY



COUNTY SEAT: Jackson  
ELEVATION: 131 ft. above sea level  
LARGEST CITY: Garysburg  
TOTAL AREA: 549.88 sq. miles  
POPULATION (2000): 22,086  
POPULATION RANK: 78 out of 100 counties  
POPULATION DENSITY: 41.17 per sq. mile

Northampton was formed in 1741 from Bertie. It is named in honor of James Crompton, Earl of Northampton, an English nobleman. Just south of the Virginia line, Northampton County is home to a rather small population that live mostly in Jackson and Rich Square. Thousands of visitors come to the county for fishing, hunting, and historical walking tours. Some of the more popular attractions include Lake Gaston, Roanoke River Rock Fishing, and some of the numerous golf courses. The Jackson Market Day Festival is held on the first Saturday in October and features arts, crafts, and local delicacies.









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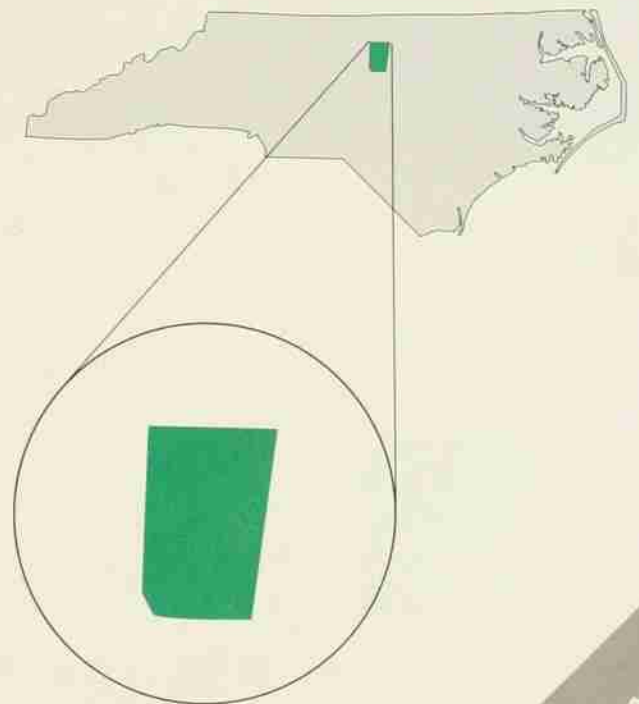


# ORANGE COUNTY



COUNTY SEAT: Hillsborough  
ELEVATION: 543 ft. above sea level  
LARGEST CITY: Chapel Hill  
TOTAL AREA: 401.51 sq. miles  
POPULATION (2000): 118,227  
POPULATION RANK: 22 out of 100 counties  
POPULATION DENSITY: 295.69 per sq. mile

Orange was formed in 1752 from Johnston, Bladen and Granville. It is named in honor of the infant William V of Orange. Orange County is home to The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, as well as the cities of Carrboro, Durham, and Hillsborough. Running through the heart of UNC-CH is Franklin St. where visitors can eat at unique restaurants, view local art or shop at stores such as Gap, Sephora or more unique, privately owned shops. Carrboro boasts its small-town charm with fresh fruit and fresh ideas. For those interested in astronomy, there is the Morehead Planetarium. NC Botanical Gardens is also available for those who prefer to enjoy more earthly beauties. Orange County is also home to the Ackland Art Museum, which contains collections dating back to early Greco-Roman periods.



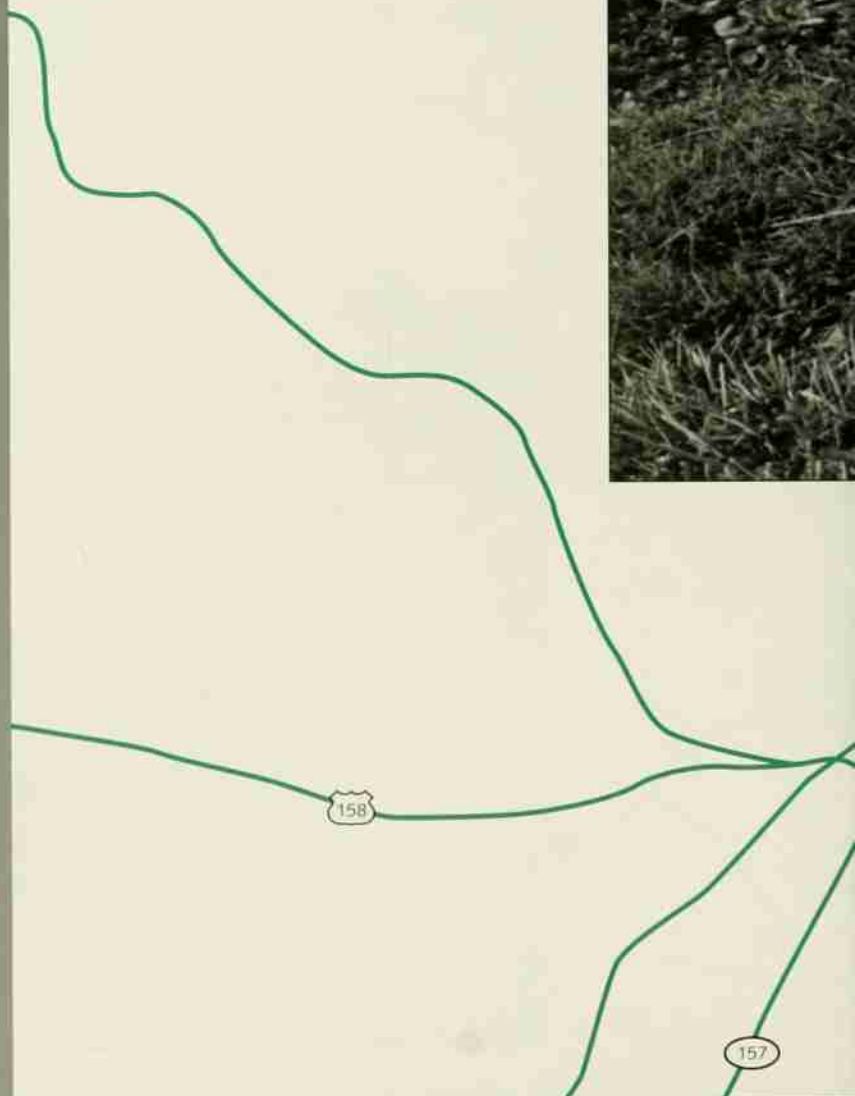
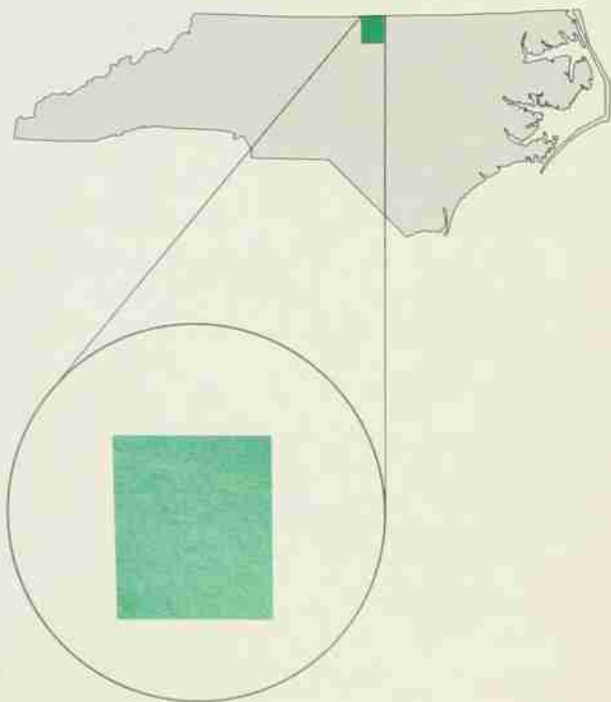


# PERSON COUNTY



COUNTY SEAT: ROXBORO  
ELEVATION: 671 ft. above sea level  
LARGEST CITY: ROXBORO  
TOTAL AREA: 404.03 sq. miles  
POPULATION (2000): 35,623  
POPULATION RANK: 61 out of 100 counties  
POPULATION DENSITY: 90.8 per sq. mile

Person was formed in 1792 from Caswell. It is named in honor of General Thomas Person, a Revolutionary Patriot, a member of the Council of Safety and a trustee of the University of North Carolina. Person County is home to several cities, such as Hurdle Mills, Roxboro, Semora, and Timberlake. The Person County Museum of History in Roxboro is a popular local resource for historical and genealogical research in the county. The county also boasts being home of Baseball Hall of Fame Member, Enos "Country" Slaughter. Roxboro hosts the Mainstreet Mayfest on the first Saturday in May which features arts, crafts, and live entertainment of the bluegrass and beach music persuasion.

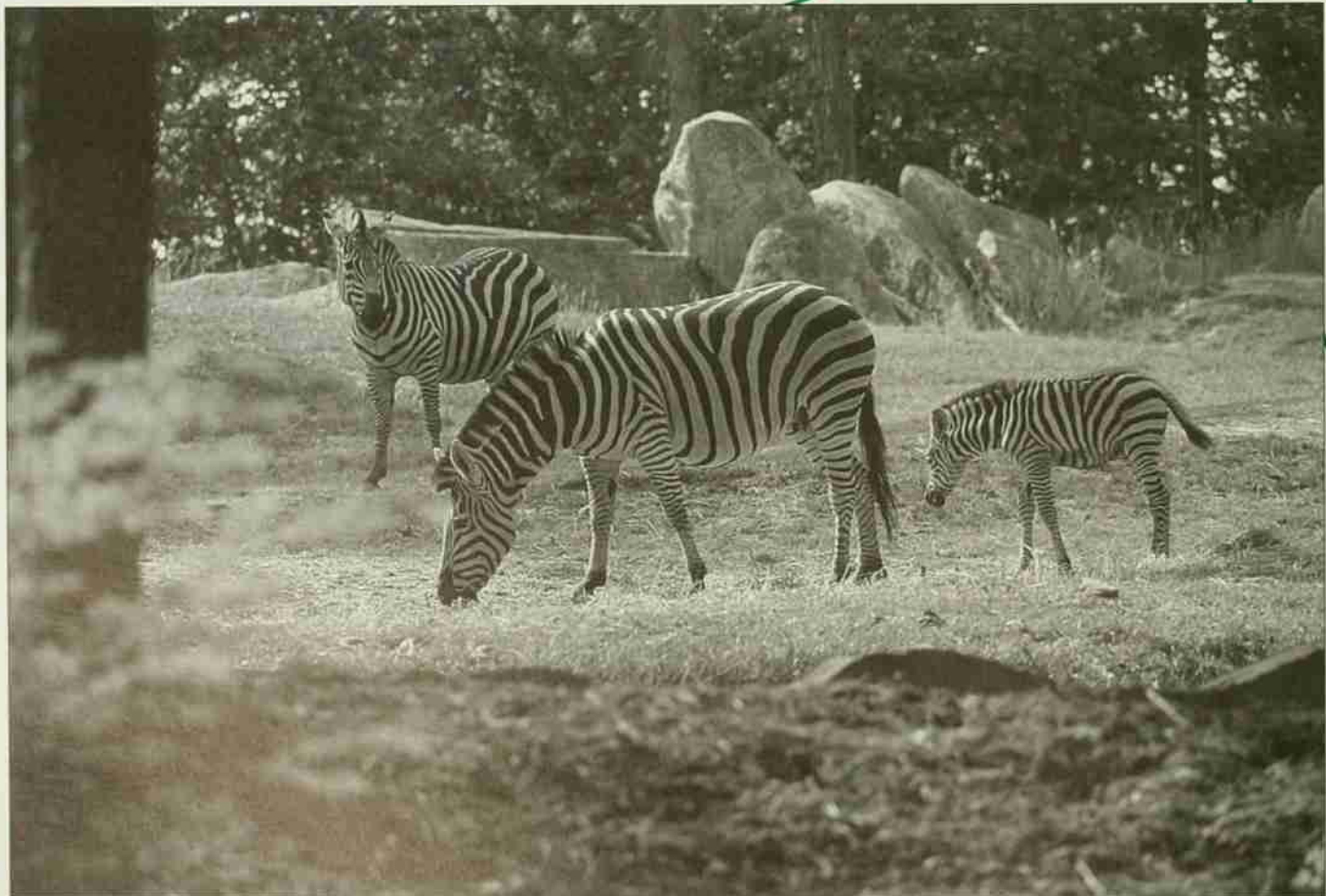








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# RANDOLPH COUNTY



COUNTY SEAT: Asheboro

ELEVATION: 879 ft. above sea level

LARGEST CITY: Asheboro

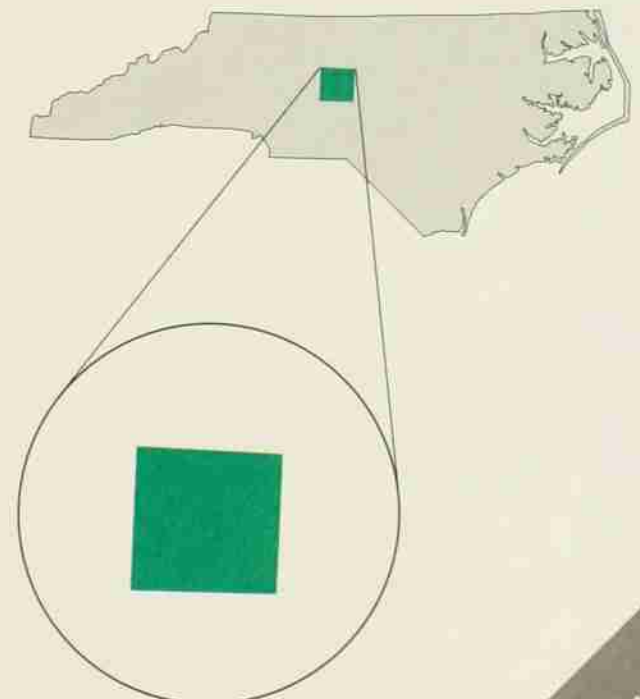
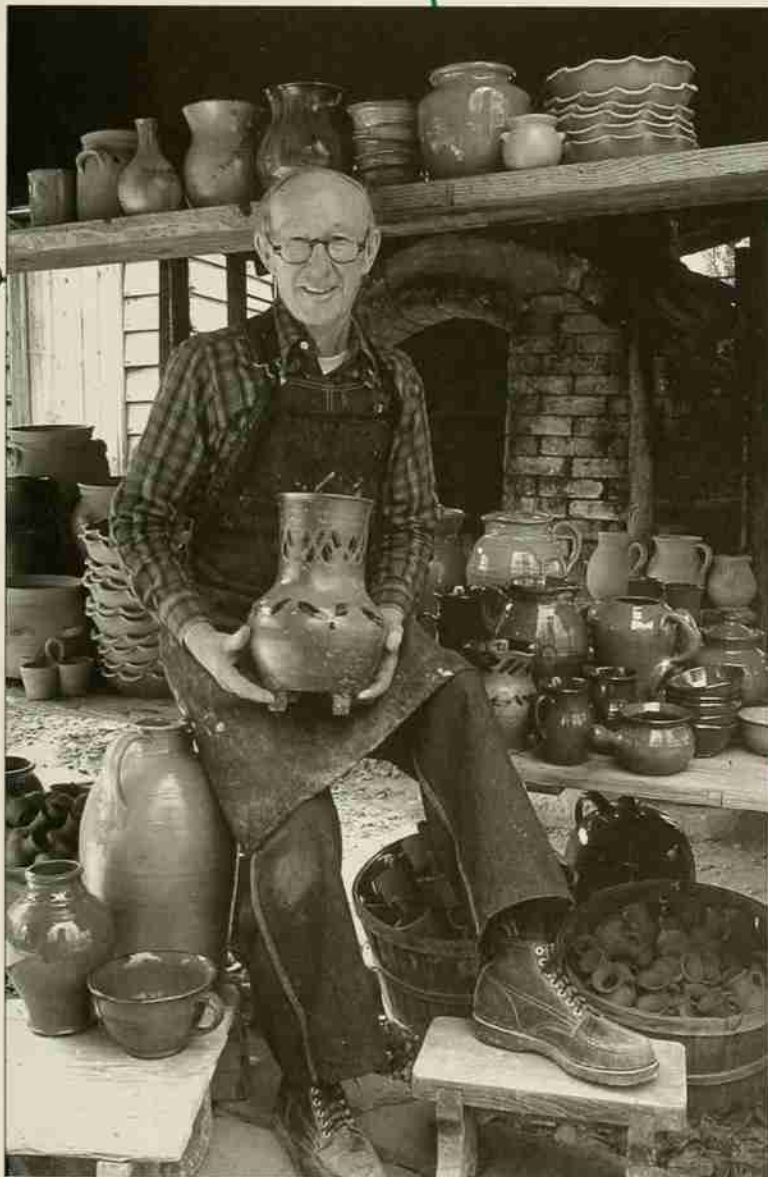
TOTAL AREA: 790.08 sq. miles

POPULATION (2000): 130,454

POPULATION RANK: 16 out of 100 counties

POPULATION DENSITY: 165.69 per sq. mile

Randolph was formed in 1779 from Guilford. It is named in honor of Peyton Randolph of Virginia, who was president of the Continental Congress. Asheboro and High Point are some of Randolph County's largest cities. The North Carolina State Zoological Park resides in Asheboro and is destined to become one of the largest natural habitat zoos in the world. The Uwharrie National Forest is also in Randolph County. For entertainment, there is the Richard Petty Museum in honor of NASCAR's all-time career victory leader. In addition to the Richard Petty Museum are the Seagrove area potteries.



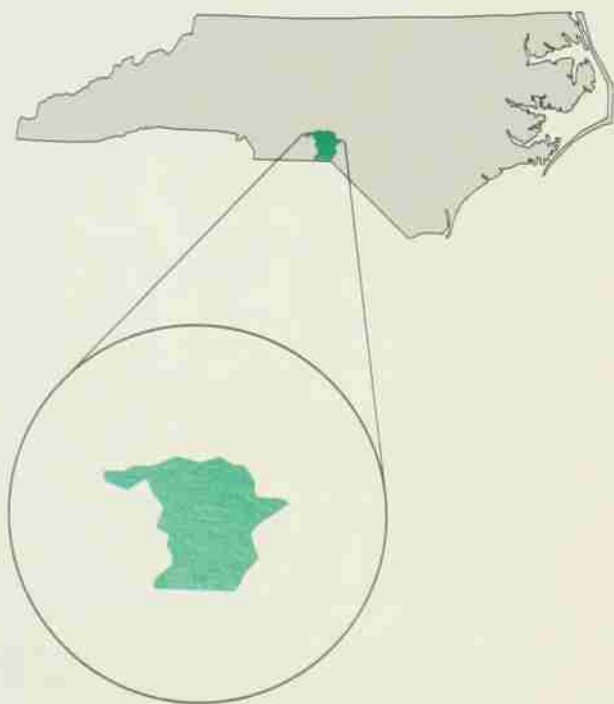
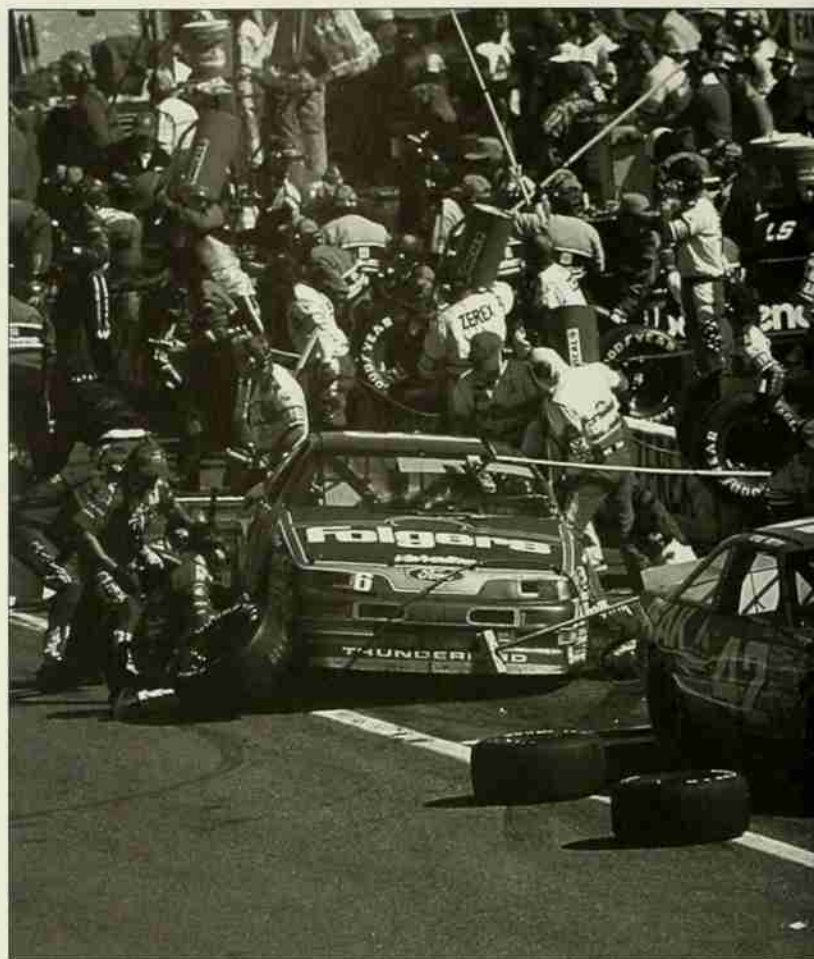


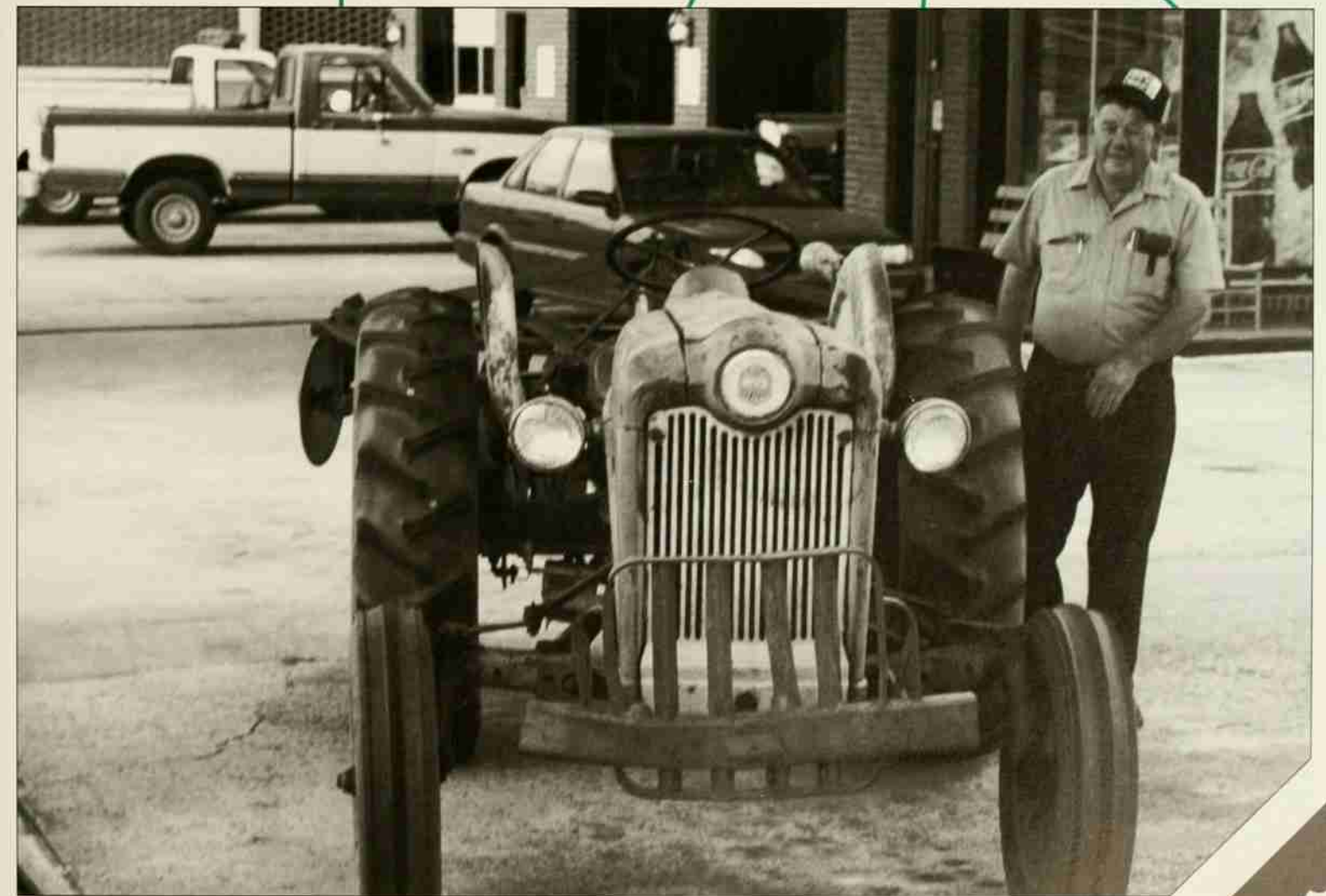
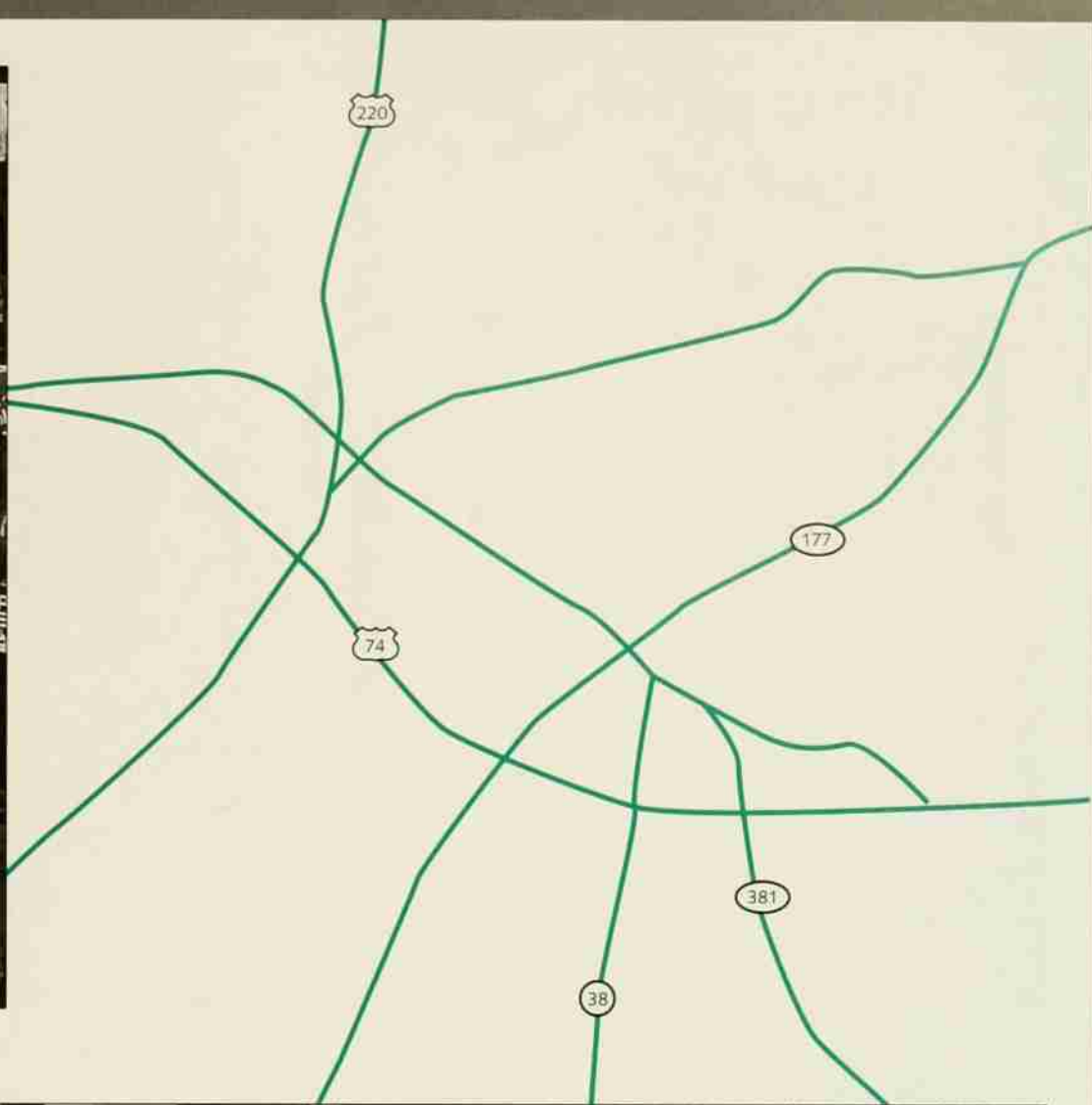
# RICHMOND COUNTY



COUNTY SEAT: Rockingham  
ELEVATION: 211 ft. above sea level  
LARGEST CITY: Rockingham  
TOTAL AREA: 479.52 sq. miles  
POPULATION (2000): 46,564  
POPULATION RANK: 52 out of 100 counties  
POPULATION DENSITY: 98.24 per sq. mile

Richmond was formed in 1779 from Anson. It is named in honor of Charles Lennox, Duke of Richmond and a principal secretary in William Pitt's second administration. He was a staunch friend of the American colonies and made a motion in the House of Lords that the colonies be granted their independence. There are two museums to document Richmond County's history; one in Ellerbe and the other in Hamlet. Ellerbe is the home of the Rankin Museum of American Heritage and Hamlet hosts the National Railroad Museum. Every year there is a Seaboard Festival in October, which is located in Hamlet to celebrate the history of railroads. Before the fall race at the North Carolina Speedway, every year there is a Thunderfest Race Festival in Rockingham. Ellerbe is also host of the Farmer's Day Festival in November to celebrate the agricultural history of the county. Also in Richmond County is an annual Richmond County Community College Pow Wow, usually held during the spring season.









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# ROBESON COUNTY



COUNTY SEAT: Lumberton

ELEVATION: 137 ft. above sea level

LARGEST CITY: Lumberton

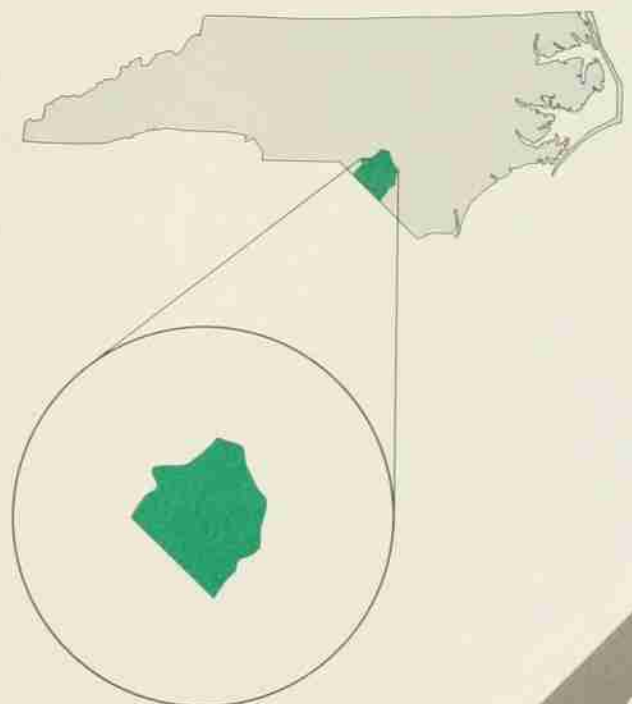
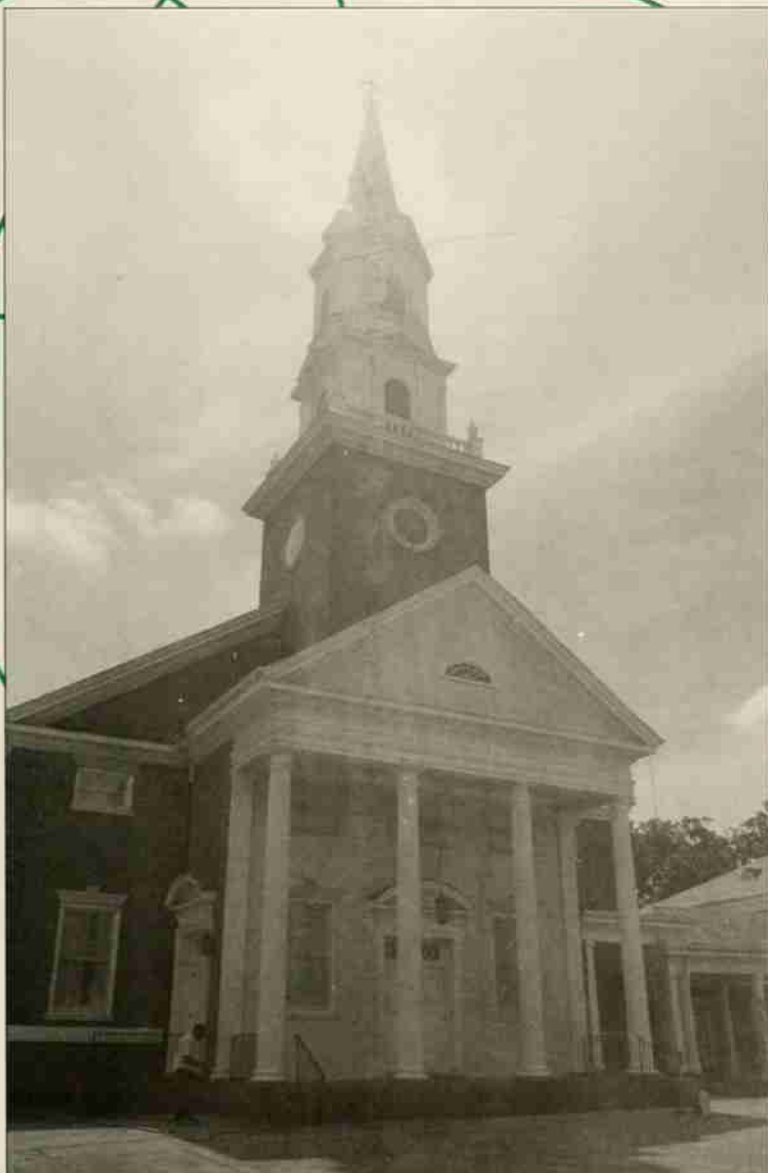
TOTAL AREA: 950.26 sq. miles

POPULATION (2000): 123,339

POPULATION RANK: 19 out of 100 counties

POPULATION DENSITY: 129.99 per sq. mile

Robeson was formed in 1787 from Bladen. It is named in honor of Colonel Thomas Robeson, a soldier of the American Revolutionary War. He was one of the leaders at the battle of Elizabethtown which was fought in September 1781. Situated just above the South Carolina line along Interstate 95, Robeson County is easily accessible and home to a number of significant towns. Pembroke is home to a large Native American population and was founded to serve the Lumbee Tribe. Many students spend time at the former Pembroke State College, now UNC-Pembroke. Be sure to catch the Flora MacDonald Highland Games and Gathering of Clans held each October in Red Springs. Dancing, pipe band competition, and traditional games usually attract many visitors to the two day event.

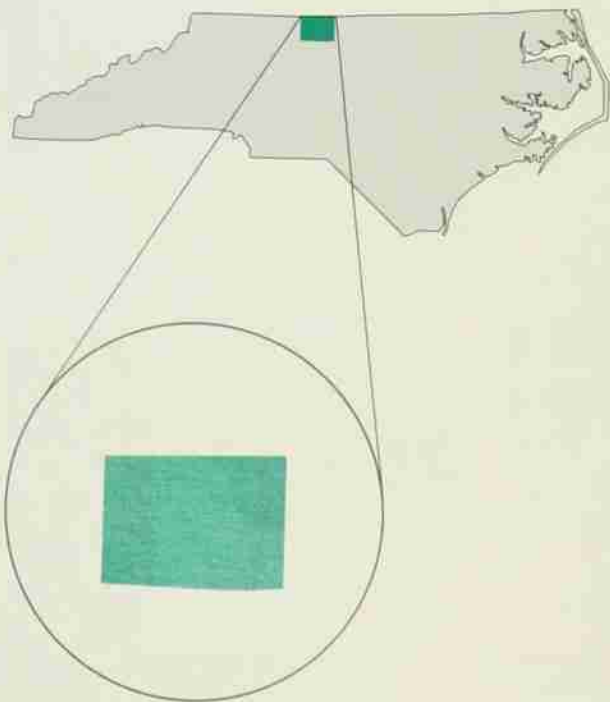
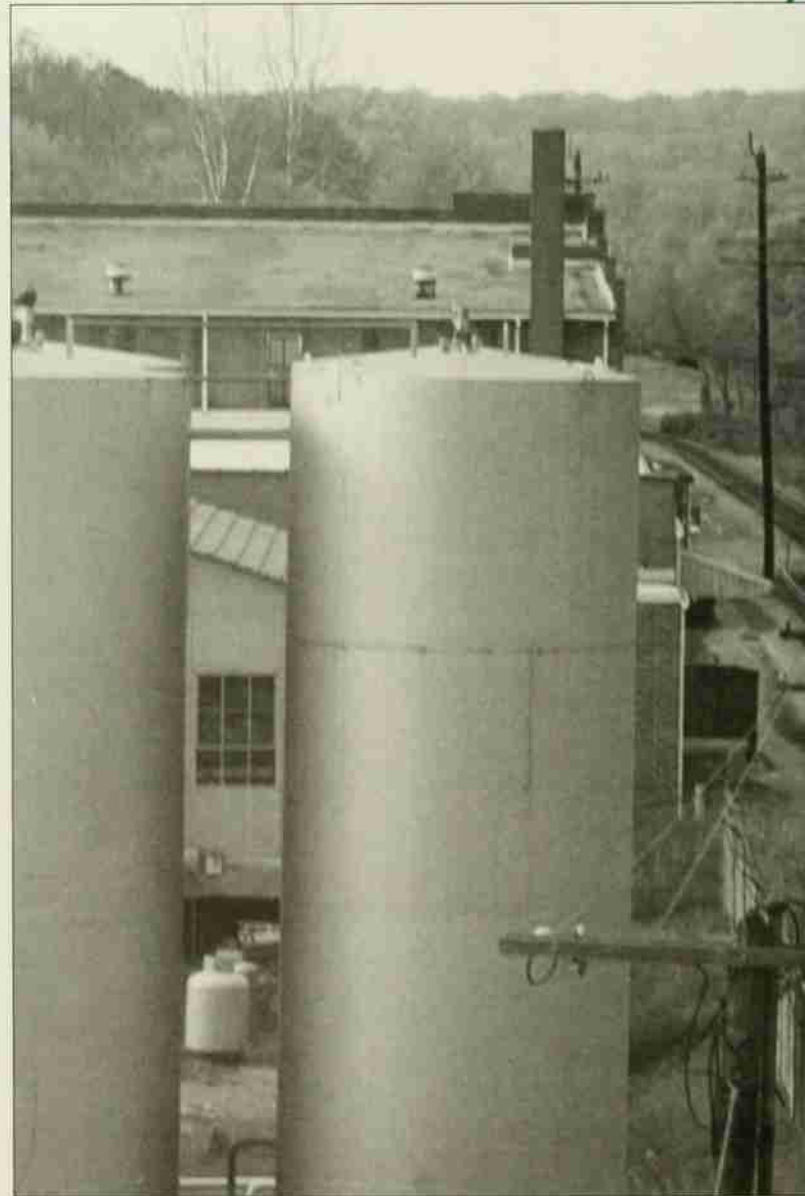
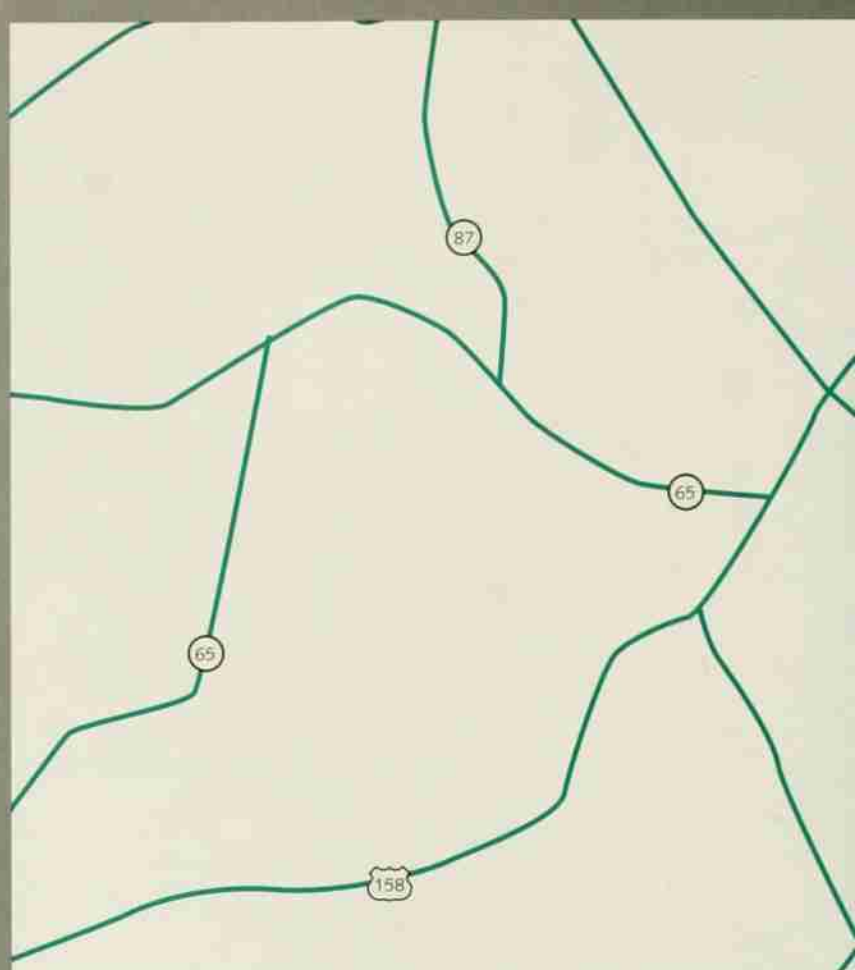


# ROCKINGHAM COUNTY



COUNTY SEAT: Wentworth  
ELEVATION: 900 ft. above sea level  
LARGEST CITY: Eden  
TOTAL AREA: 571.93 sq. miles  
POPULATION (2000): 91,928  
POPULATION RANK: 25 out of 100 counties  
POPULATION DENSITY: 162.29 per sq. mile

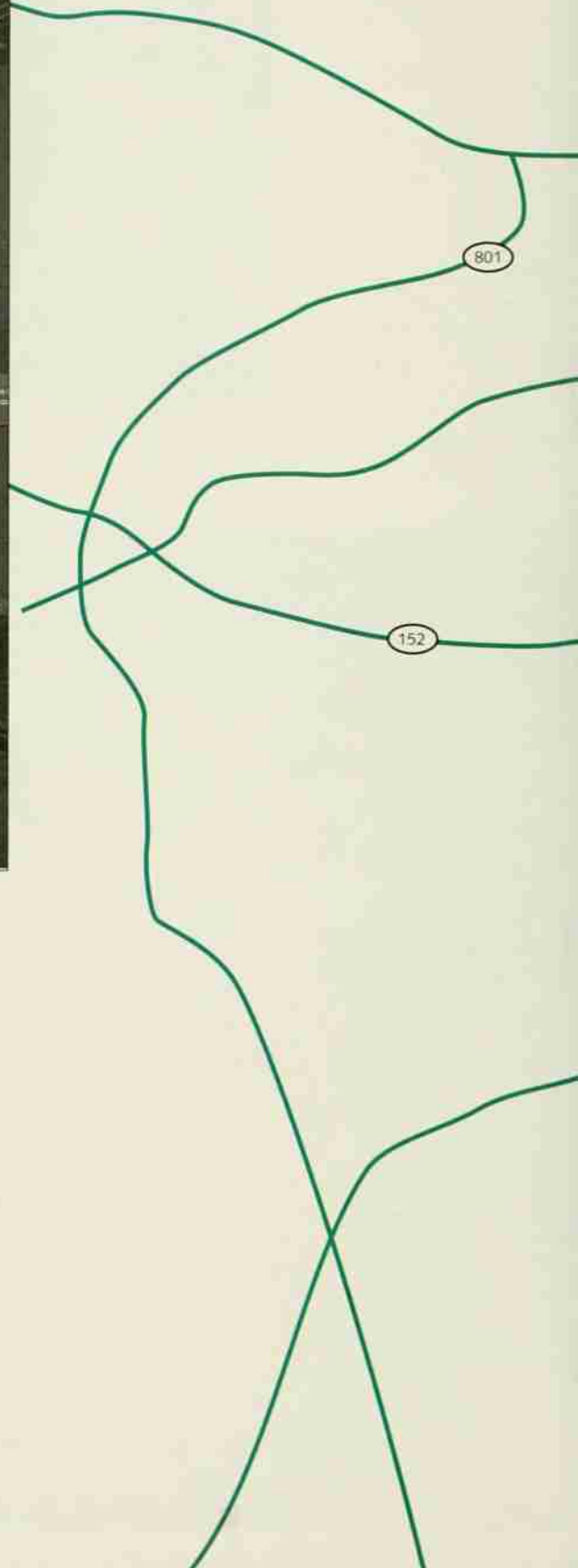
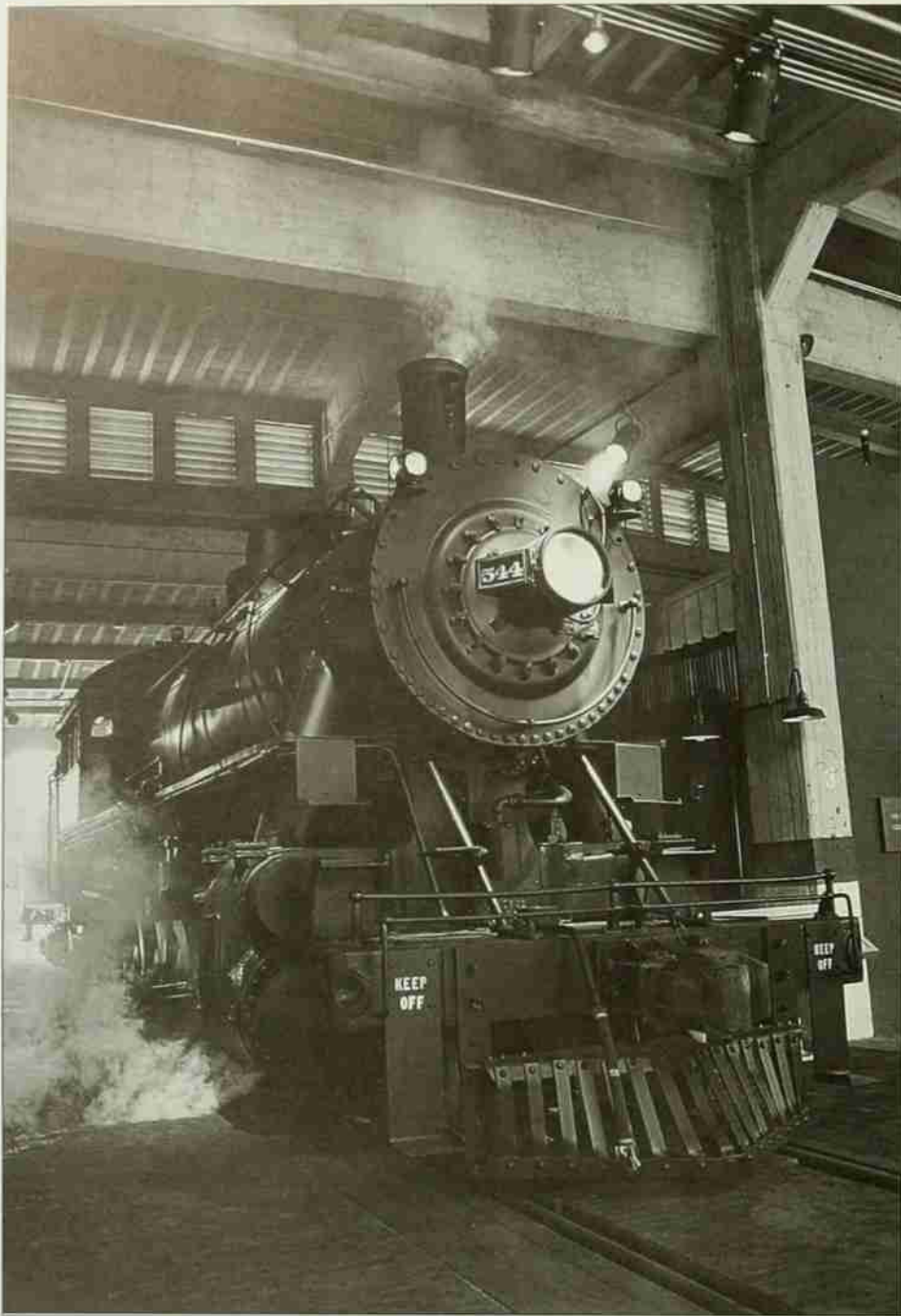
Rockingham was formed in 1785 from Guilford. It is named in honor of Charles Watson-Wentworth, Second Marquis of Rockingham, who was a leader of pro-American Independence party in the British Parliament. He was Prime Minister when the Stamp Act was repealed. Rockingham County is home to one historic household, the Chinqua-Penn Estate House, which has thousands of unique and eccentric antiques collected throughout the life of both of the former owners. The Chinqua-Penn Estate House is open for tours of the grounds which has extraordinary landscape. Tours are also available in the house where the extensive collections can be viewed. The Dan River and the Mayo River offer entertainment for locals as well as visitors.









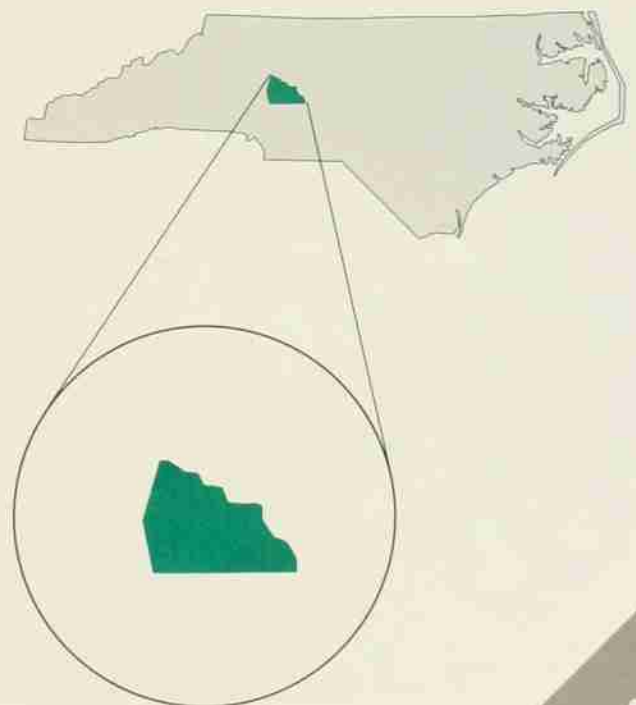
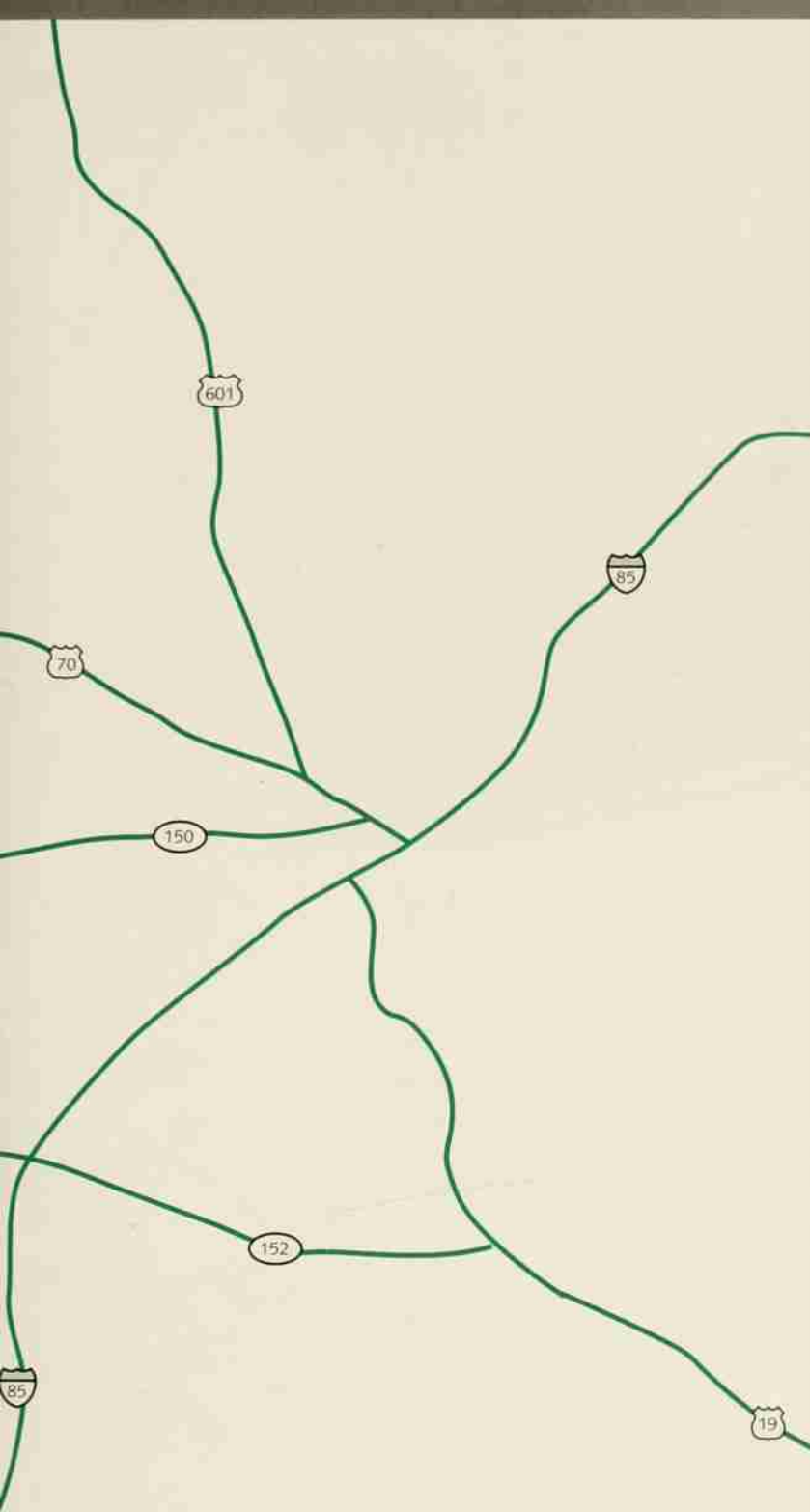


# ROWAN COUNTY



COUNTY SEAT: Salisbury  
ELEVATION: 764 ft. above sea level  
LARGEST CITY: Salisbury  
TOTAL AREA: 523.55 sq. miles  
POPULATION (2000): 130,340  
POPULATION RANK: 17 out of 100 counties  
POPULATION DENSITY: 254.91 per sq. mile

Rowan was formed in 1753 from Anson. It is named in honor of Matthew Rowan who was a prominent leader before the American Revolutionary War and who, for a short time after the death of Governor Gabriel Johnston, was acting governor. Rowan County is home to several cities, including Barber, China Grove, Cleveland, Kannapolis, Mount Ulla, Rockwell, Salisbury, Spencer, and Woodleaf. The county is also home of the North Carolina Transportation Museum, which displays everything from trains, wagons, and airplanes. A fun festival to visit was recently developed at Sloan Park in Salisbury. This is the annual "Stories by the Millstream," a storytelling festival that draws close to 2,000 children each year.

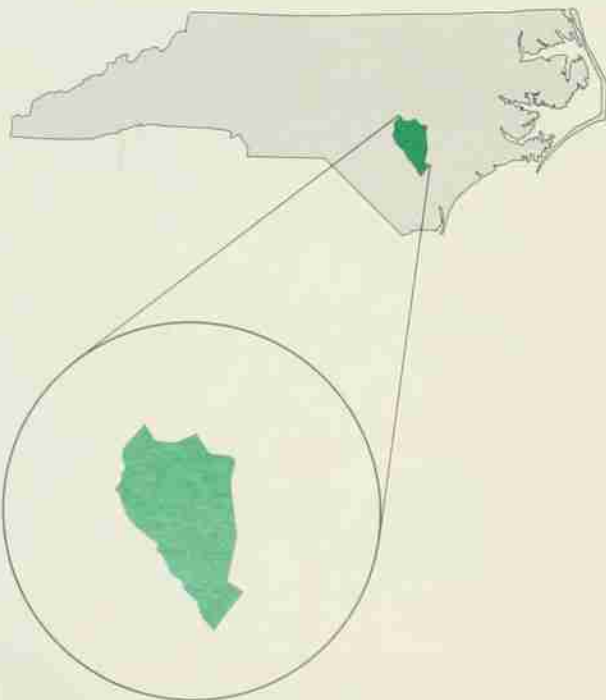
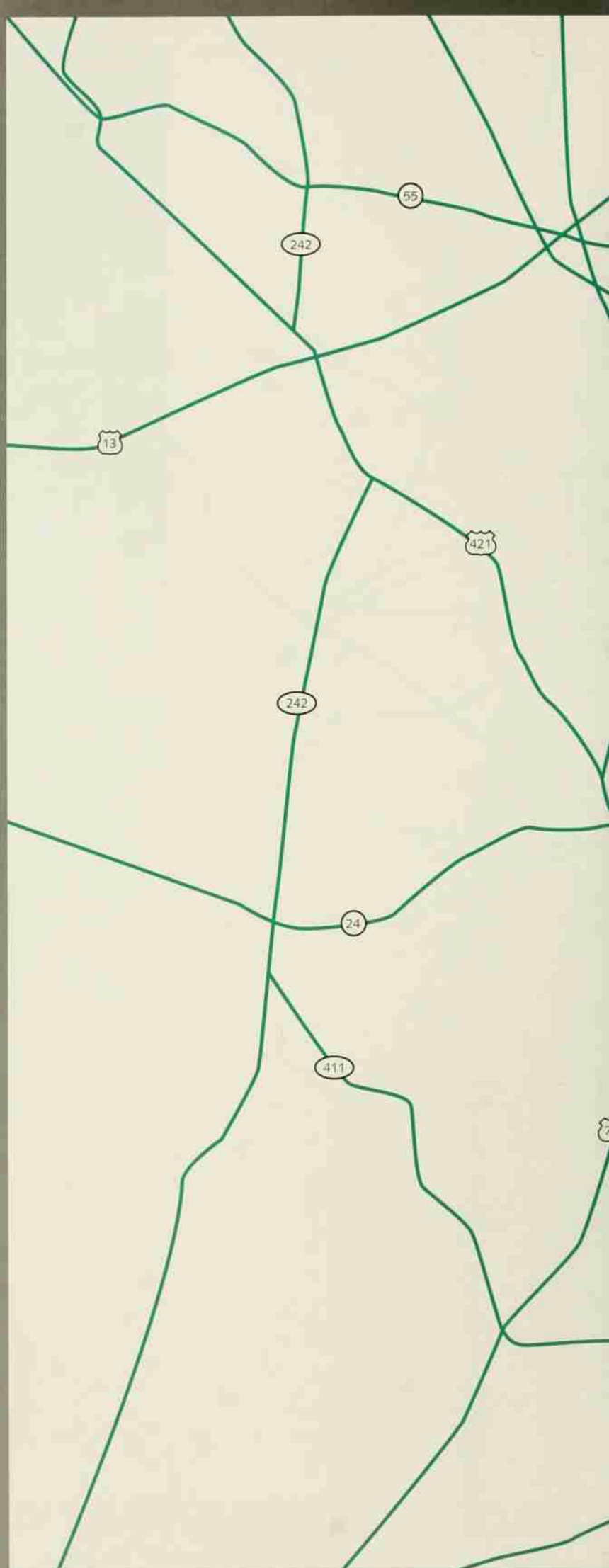


# SAMPSON COUNTY

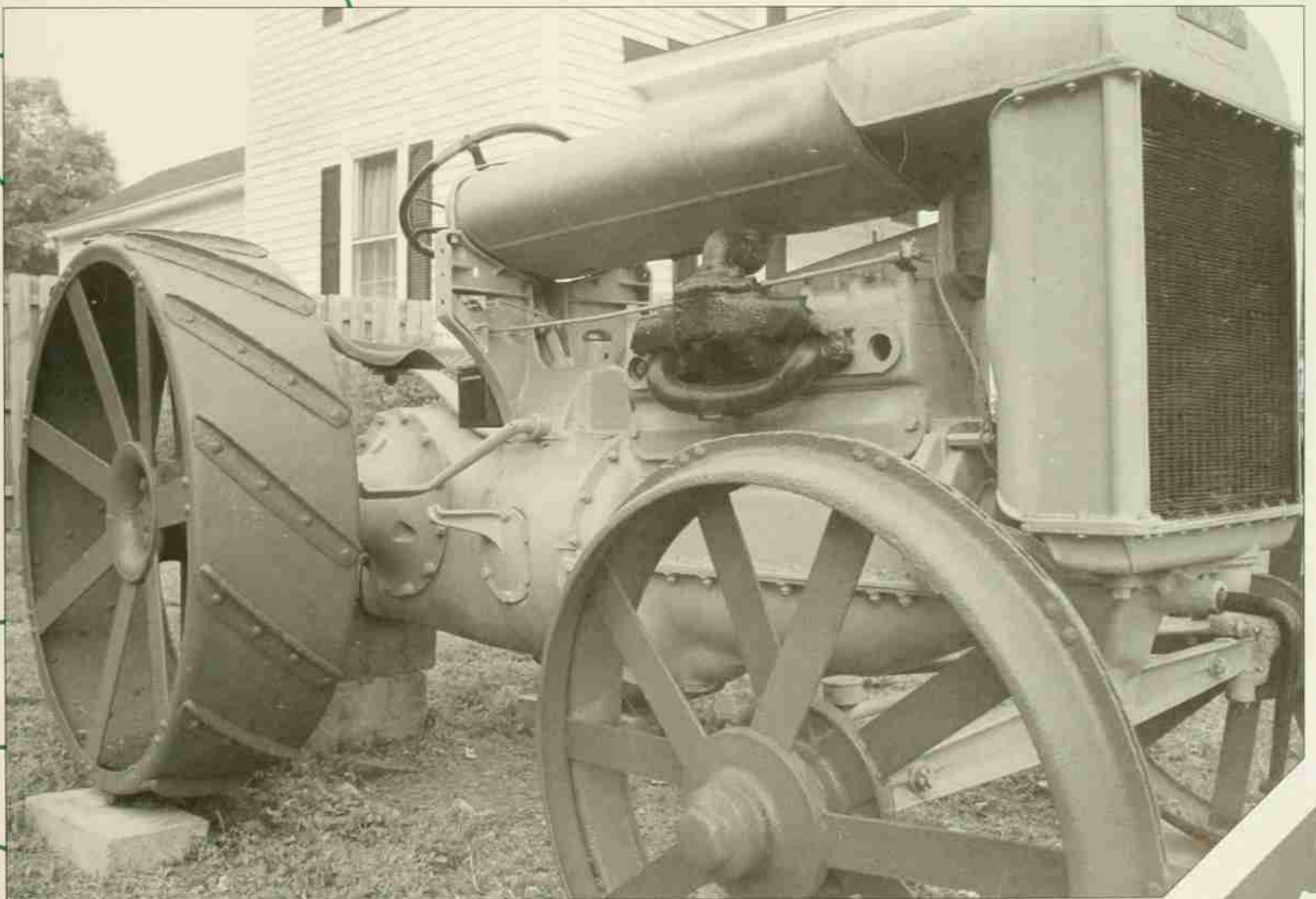
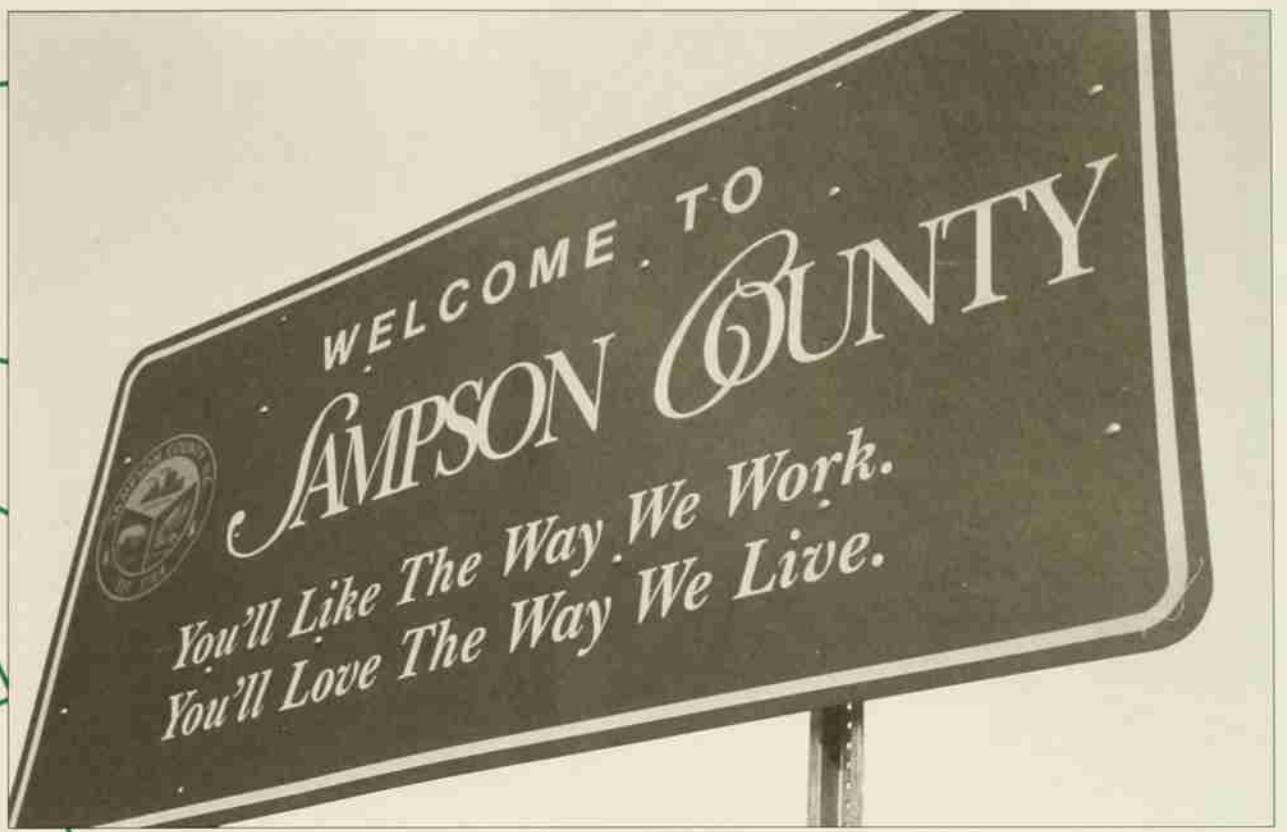


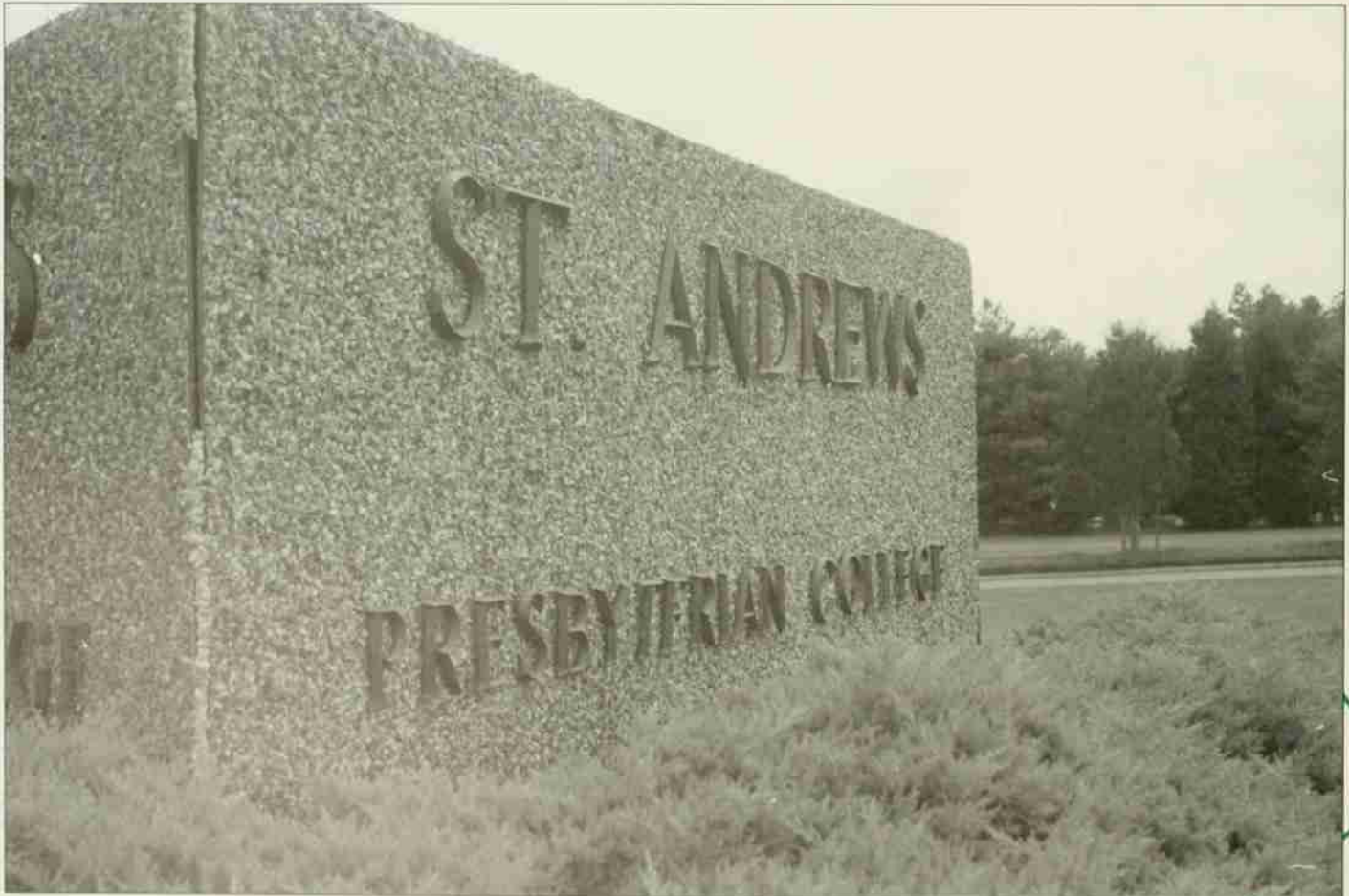
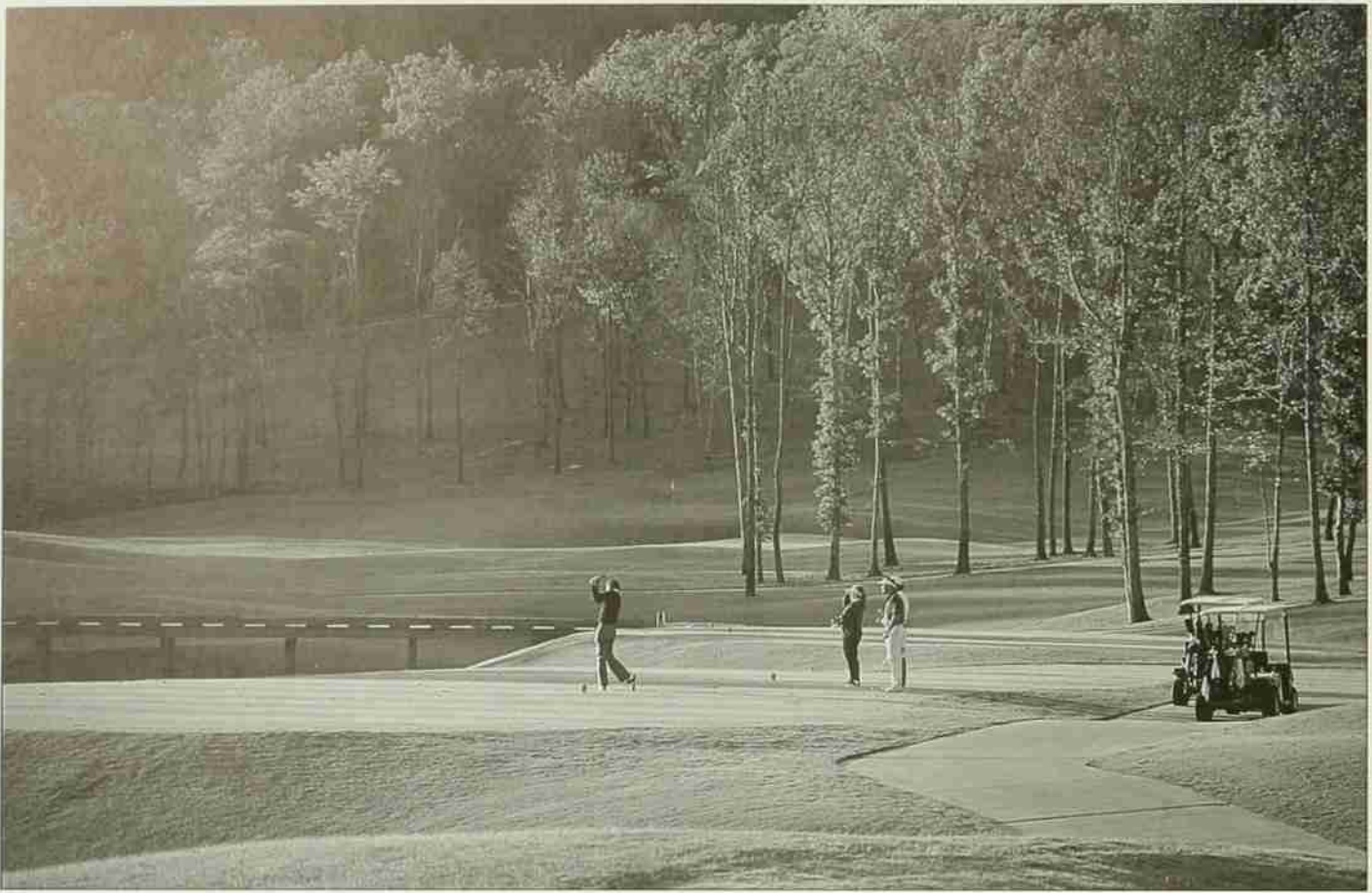
COUNTY SEAT: Clinton  
ELEVATION: 158 ft. above sea level  
LARGEST CITY: Clinton  
TOTAL AREA: 946.67 sq. miles  
POPULATION (2000): 60,161  
POPULATION RANK: 39 OUT OF 100 COUNTIES  
POPULATION DENSITY: 63.63 per sq. mile

Sampson was formed in 1784 from Duplin. It is named in honor of Colonel John Sampson, member of the House of Commons and the Governor's Council under Royal Governors Dobbs, Tryon, and Martin. Sampson County's most prominent citizen was William Rufus King, ambassador to England and France and Vice-President of the United States under Franklin Pierce. He died in 1853, shortly after taking the oath of office for the Vice Presidency. One of Sampson County's greatest assets is the Sampson County Memorial Hospital, located in Clinton. The NC Justice Academy, located in Salemburg, provides criminal justice training for many state and local agencies.











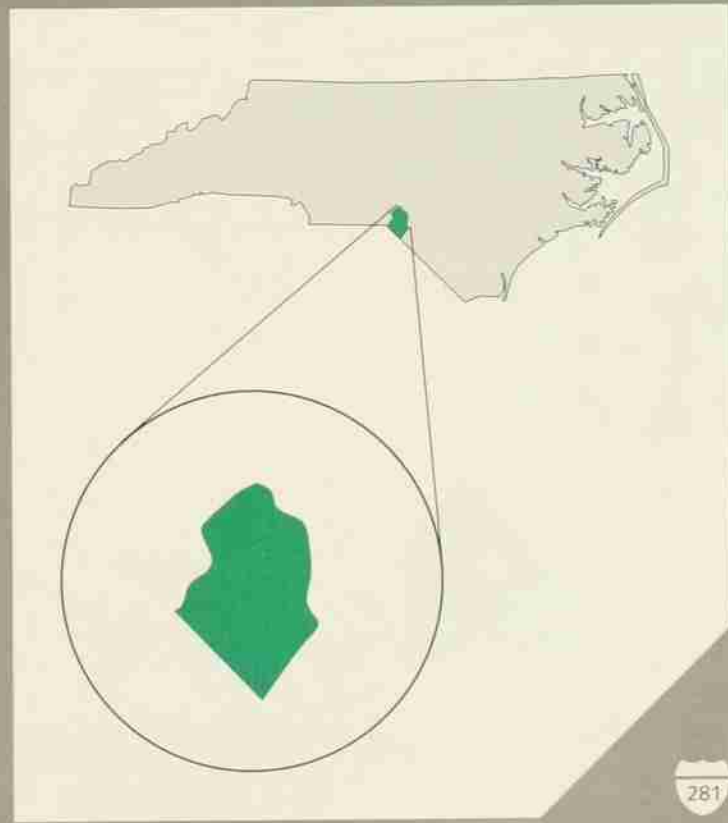
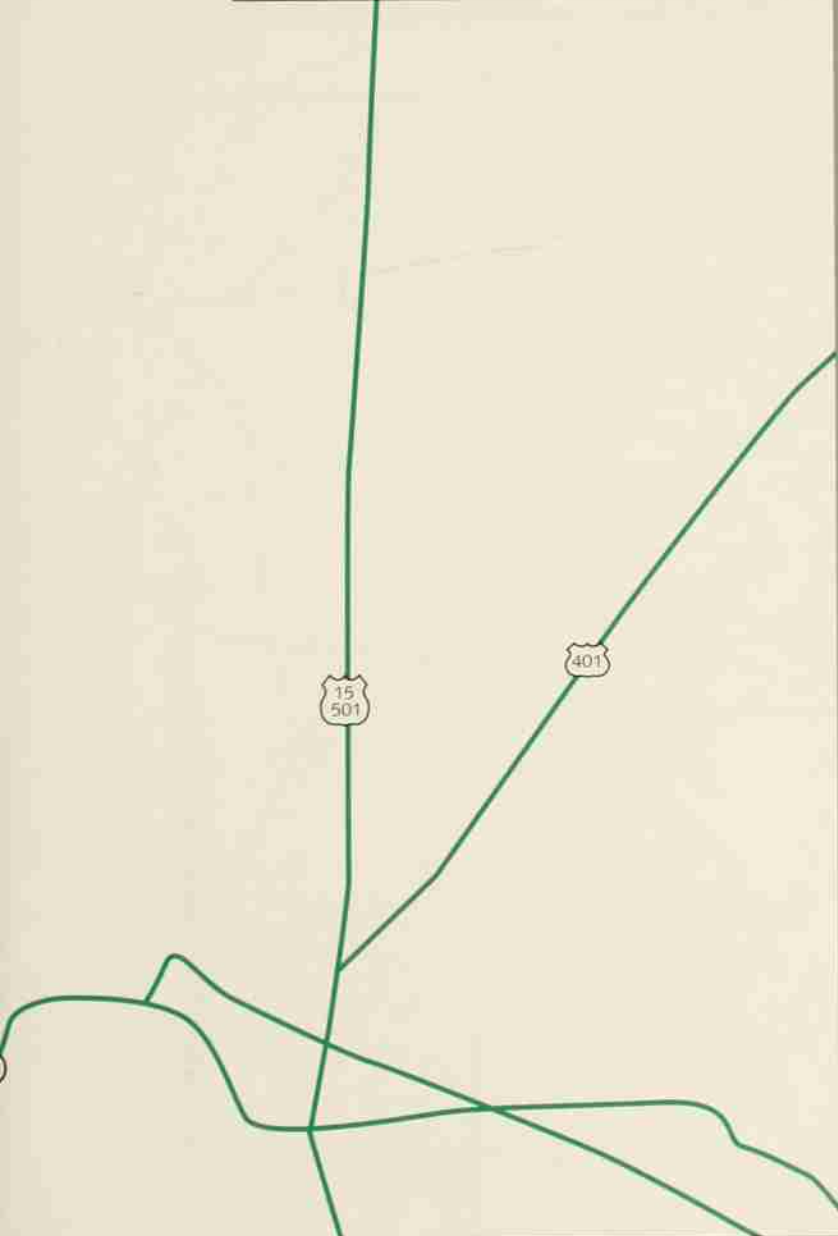


# SCOTLAND COUNTY



COUNTY SEAT: Laurinburg  
ELEVATION: 227 ft. above sea level  
LARGEST CITY: Laurinburg  
TOTAL AREA: 320.92 sq. miles  
POPULATION (2000): 35,998  
POPULATION RANK: 60 OUT OF 100 COUNTIES  
POPULATION DENSITY: 112.8 per sq. mile

Scotland was formed in 1899 from Richmond. It is named for the country of Scotland, the northern portion of the British Isles. With a population of 35,000 people in Scotland County, you will find that almost half live in Laurinburg. Much like the land for which it is named, Scotland County is home to rolling green hills and is a popular destination for golfers along the Atlantic. Visitors often stroll through the Weymouth Woods Nature Preserve or Lumber River Park, but a lot more are drawn to the John Blue Cotton Festival. Held in early October, the festival features an old steam locomotive, tractors, and antique cars. It also features old-time games for the kids such as hoops, marbles, and stilt walking. Few visitors leave without having tried the festival favorite — homemade collard sandwiches.



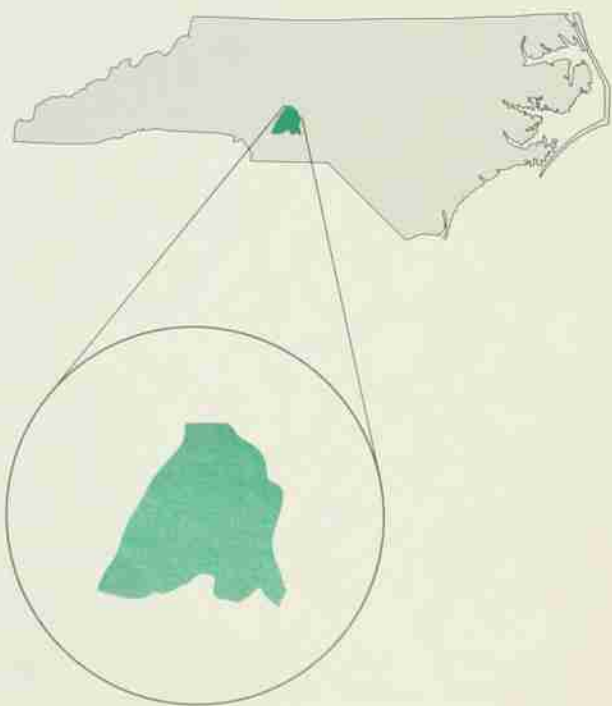
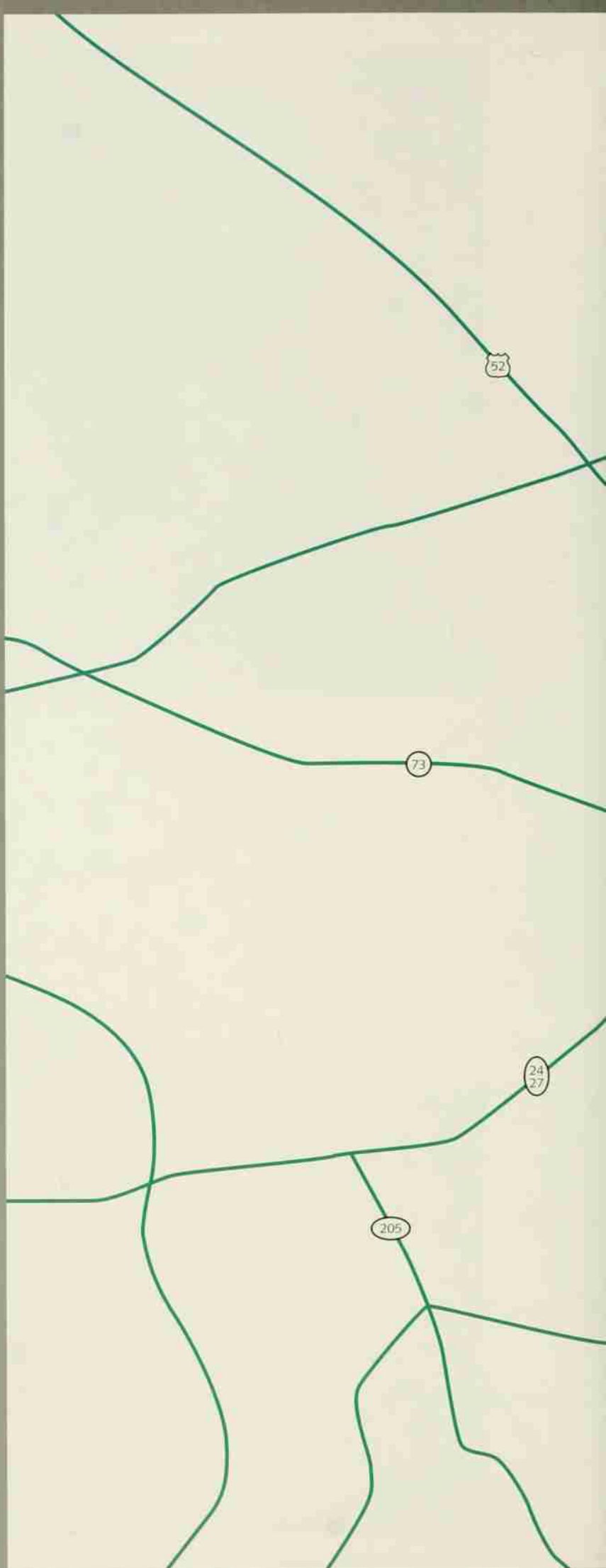


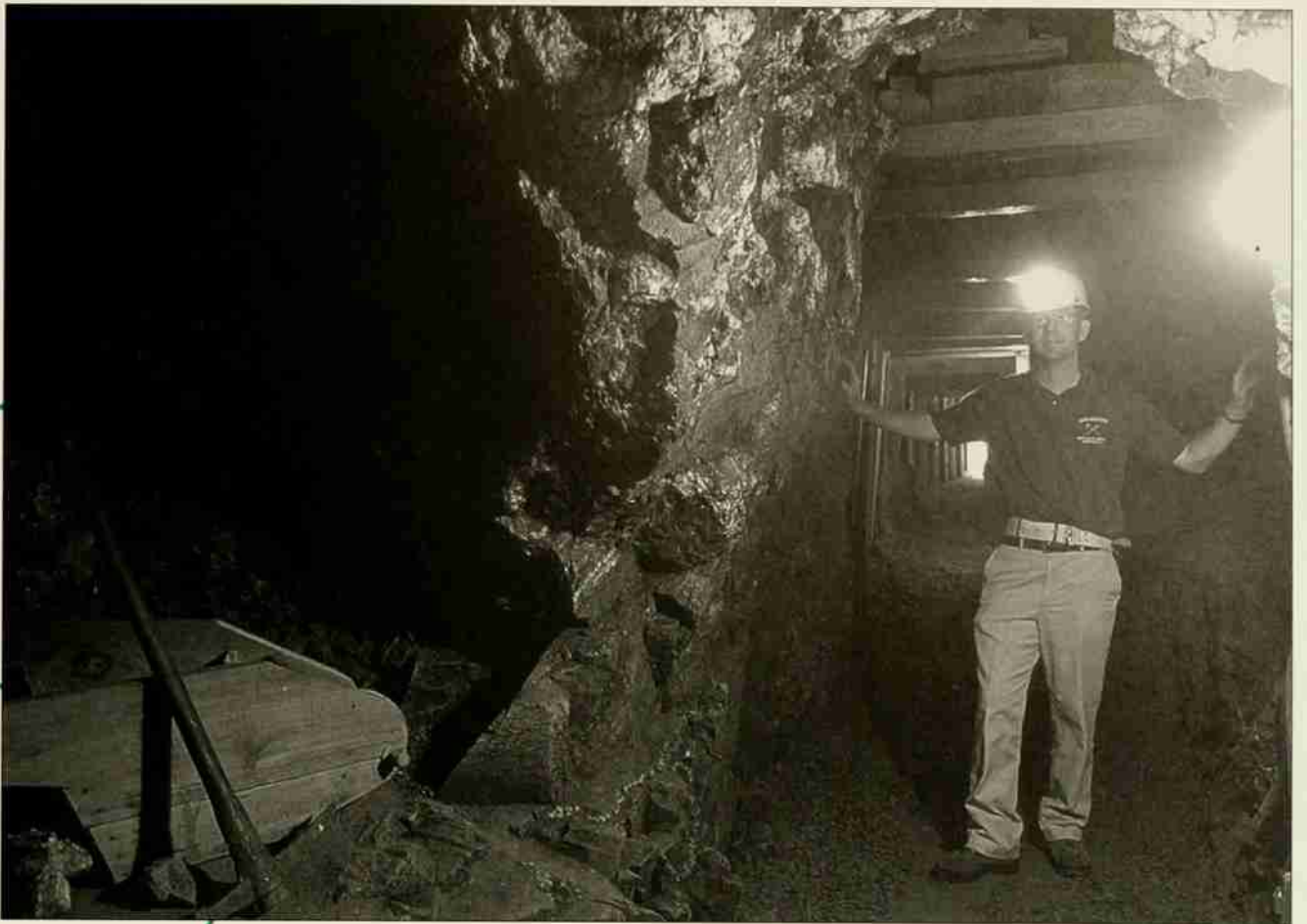
# STANLY COUNTY



COUNTY SEAT: Albemarle  
ELEVATION: 505 ft. above sea level  
LARGEST CITY: Albemarle  
TOTAL AREA: 404.51 sq. miles  
POPULATION (2000): 58,100  
POPULATION RANK: 42 out of 100 counties  
POPULATION DENSITY: 147.07 per sq. mile

Stanly was formed in 1841 from Montgomery. It is named in honor of John Stanly who for many years was a member of the Legislature and several-time speaker of the House of Commons. Stanly County is home to such cities as Albemarle, Badin, Locust, Misenheimer, New London, Norwood, Oakboro, Richfield, and Stanfield. It hosts one historic museum - the Stanly County Museum. This museum displays a collection of documents, photographs, and historic artifacts. Each fall, the quiet burg of Badin explodes amid fireworks heralding the annual Best of Badin Festival. Celebrating Badin's French heritage, the festival combines a county-fair atmosphere with arts and crafts, antiques and a classic car show.

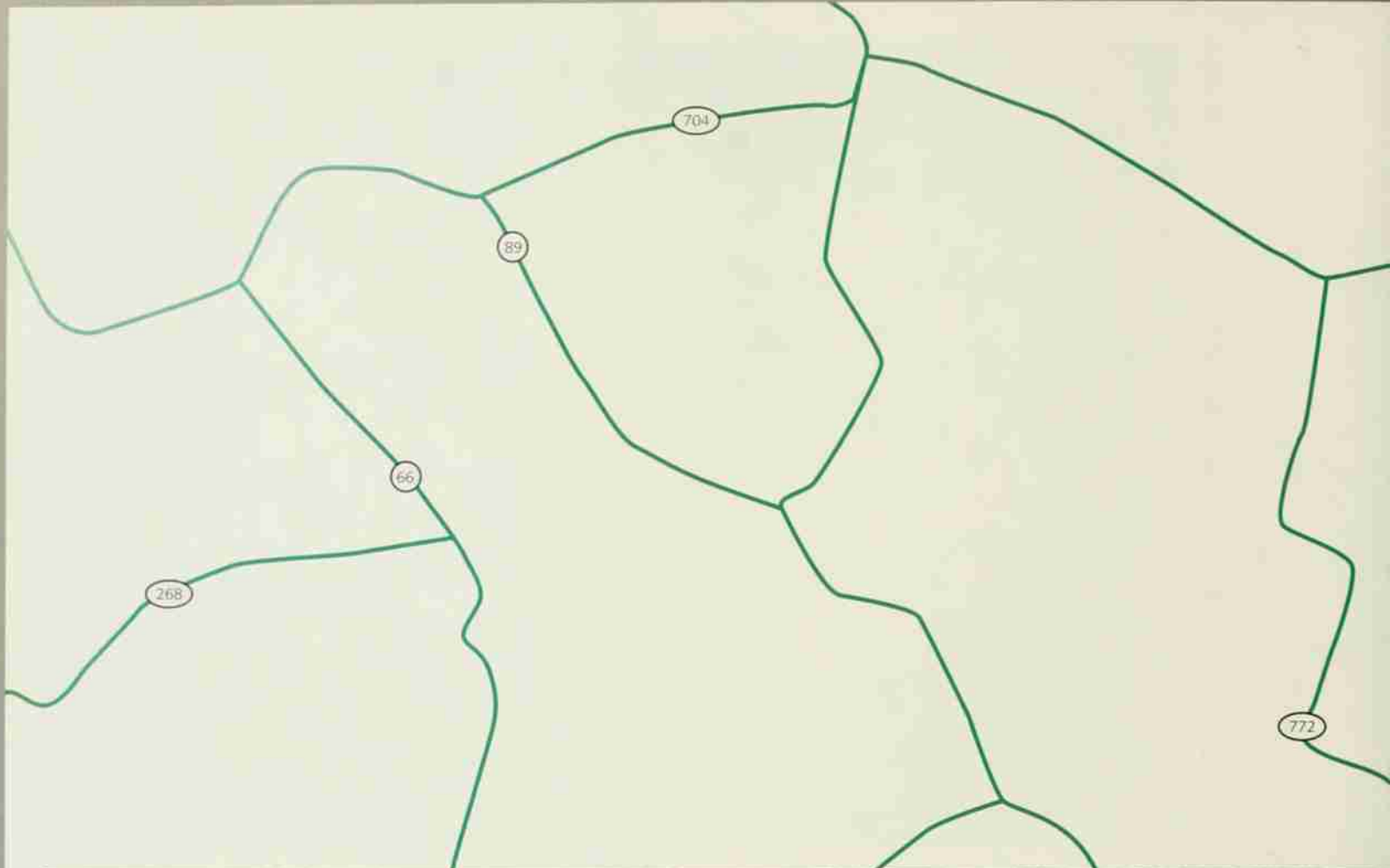




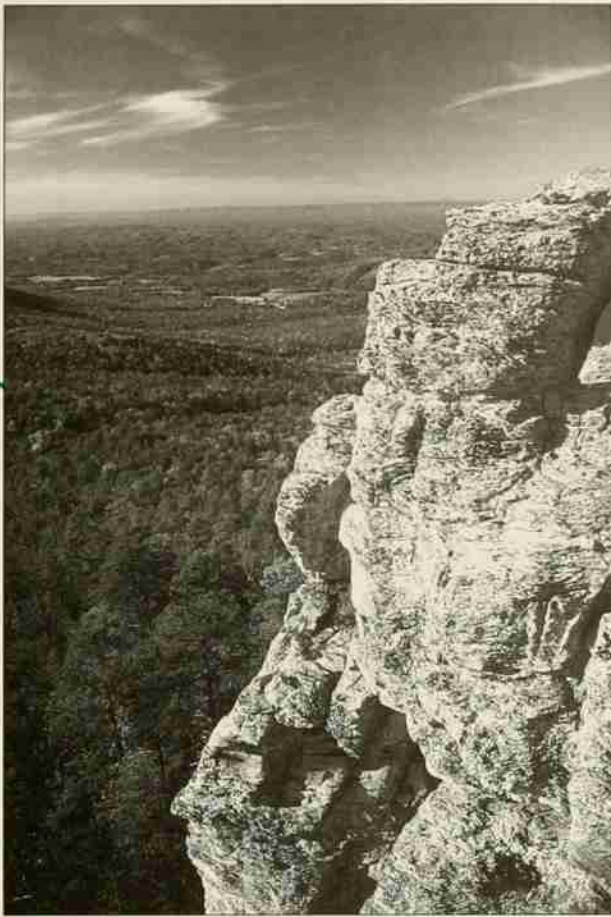
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# STOKES COUNTY



COUNTY SEAT: Danbury

ELEVATION: 825 ft. above sea level

LARGEST CITY: King

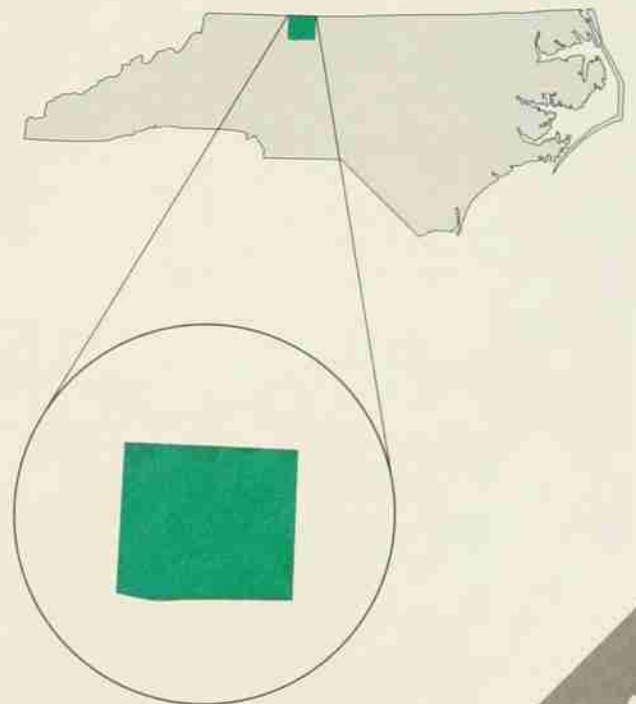
TOTAL AREA: 455.92 sq. miles

POPULATION (2000): 44,711

POPULATION RANK: 54 out of 100 counties

POPULATION DENSITY: 98.95 per sq. mile

Stokes was formed in 1789 from Surry. It is named in honor of Captain John Stokes, a soldier of the American Revolutionary War, who was seriously wounded at the Waxhaw Massacre when Colonel Buford's Regiment was cut to pieces by Tarlton. Washington appointed him a judge of the United States District Court of North Carolina after the war. The towns of Danbury and Germanton, along with many others, are found in Stokes County. The only county in the United States to have the entirety of a mountain range within its borders, Stokes County residents enjoy the panoramic views the 1,700 foot Sauratown Mountains. In Hanging Rock State Park, visitors are invited for a varied slate of outdoors activities. From swimming to rock climbing, the Hanging Rock State Park is full of adventure. Art lovers rejoice at the thought of visiting Stokes County's famous Dan River art market, internationally known as having some of the finest artisans and craftsmen's work on exhibit.

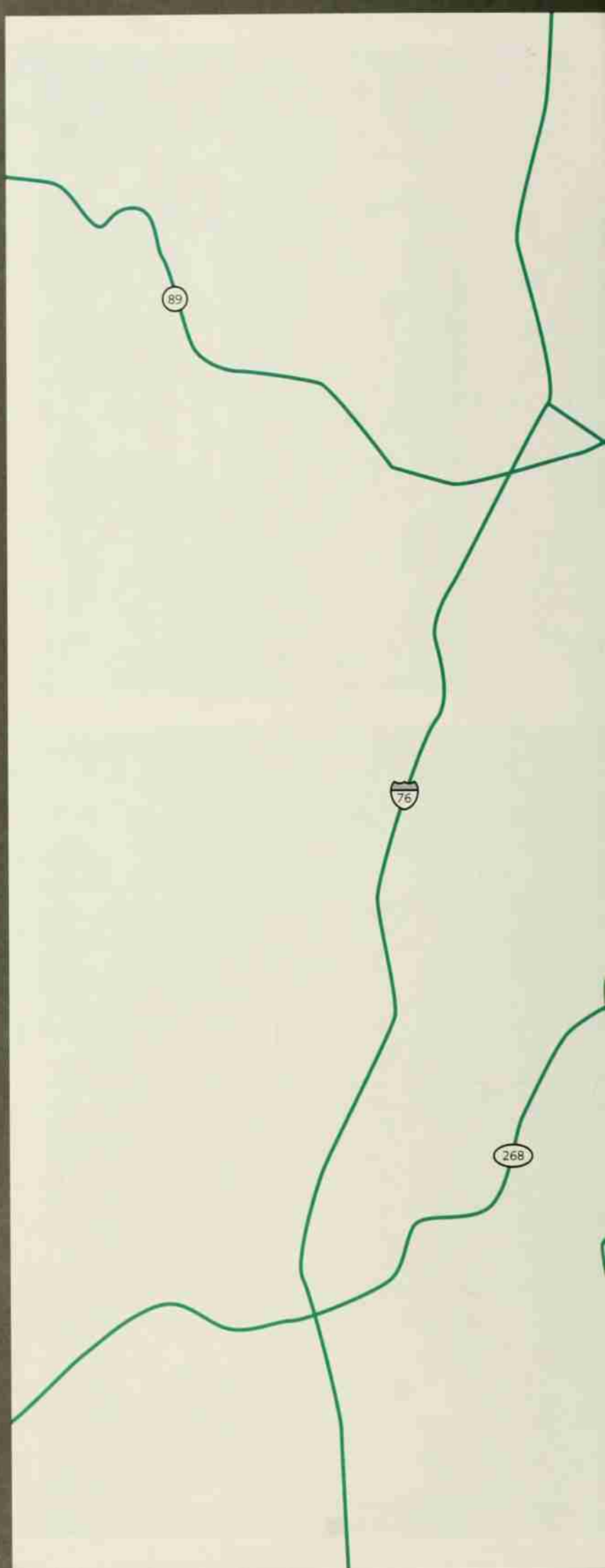
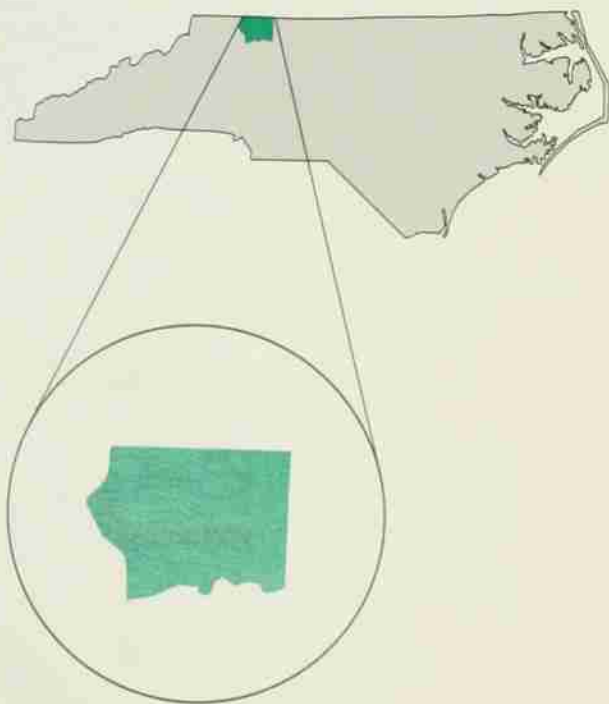


# SURRY COUNTY

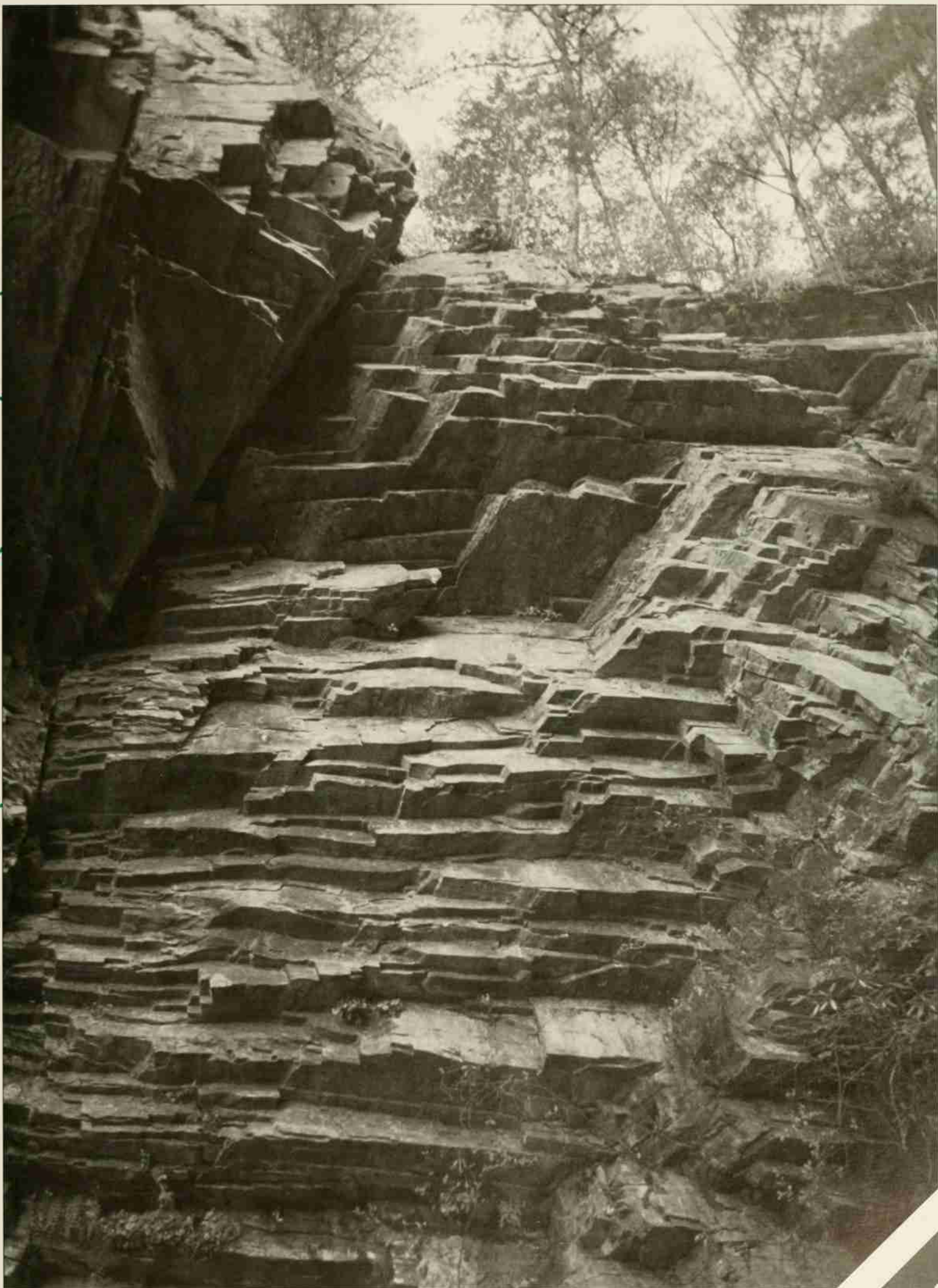


COUNTY SEAT: Dobson  
ELEVATION: 1,265 ft. above sea level  
LARGEST CITY: Mount Airy  
TOTAL AREA: 539.4 sq. miles  
POPULATION (2000): 71,219  
POPULATION RANK: 35 out of 100 counties  
POPULATION DENSITY: 132.74 per sq. mile

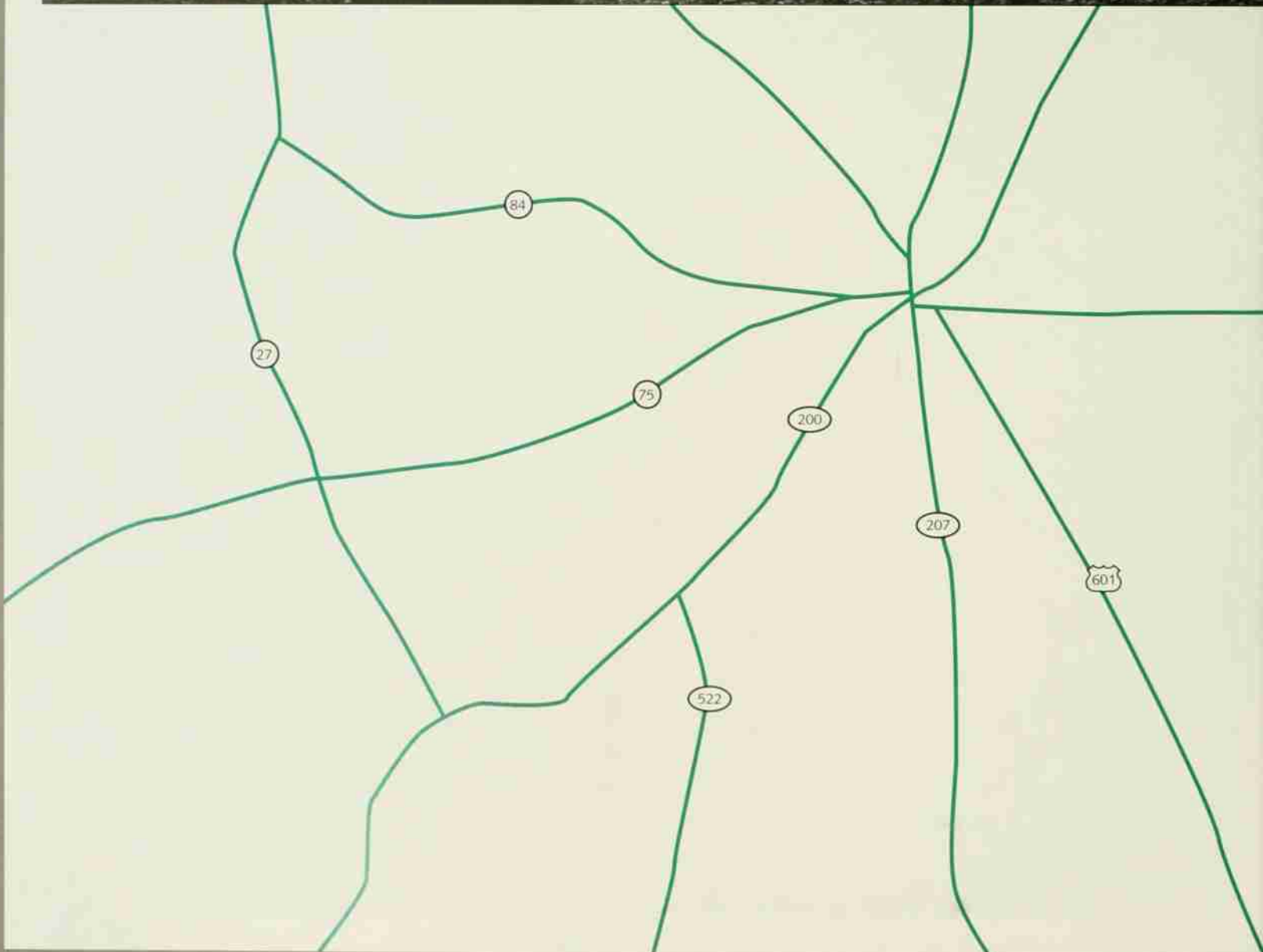
Surry was formed in 1771 from Rowan. It is named in honor of the County of Surrey in England, birthplace of then Governor William Tryon. Home to famous Pilot mountain, not to mention towns like Ararat and Dobson, Surry County has a rich mountain history. Andy Griffith's Mayberry can be found nestled inside Surry County, leaving the county forever famous. There are plenty of things to do in Surry; it is easy enough to find a shady tree to sit under and read a book, or a fiddle player to strum out some foot tapping music. Every year the county of Surry celebrates their cultural heritage with the Autumn Leaves Festival. Considered one of the best events to attend in North Carolina, more than 200,000 people flood Mount Airy to "sample the rich traditions of the mountain folks". Listening to great bluegrass and mountain music, sampling country ham biscuits & homemade cider, and seeing demonstrations by skilled artisans are just some of the things one can do at the Autumn Leaves Festival.











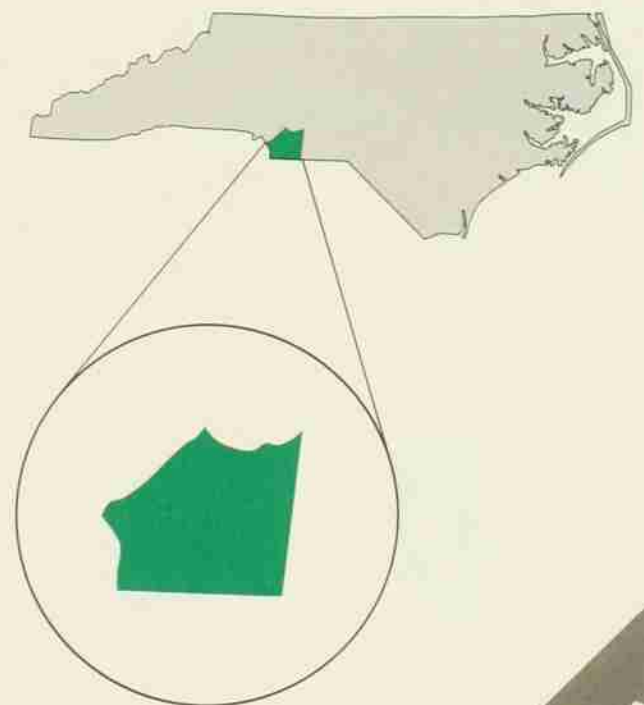
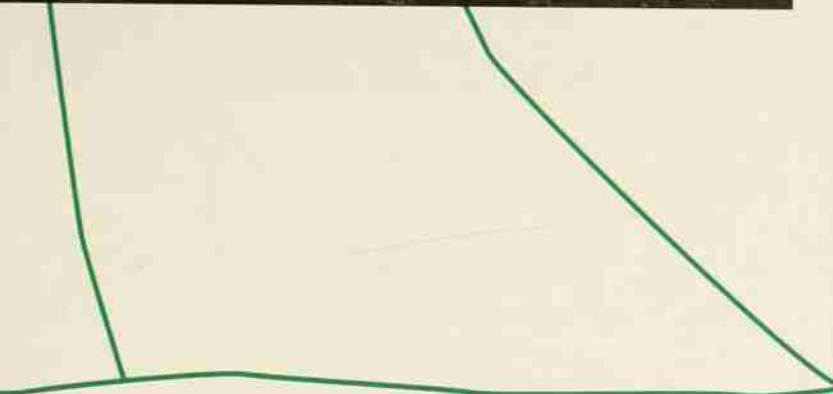


# UNION COUNTY



COUNTY SEAT: Monroe  
ELEVATION: 576 ft. above sea level  
LARGEST CITY: Monroe  
TOTAL AREA: 639.63 sq. miles  
POPULATION (2000): 123,677  
POPULATION RANK: 18 OUT OF 100 COUNTIES  
POPULATION DENSITY: 194.04 per sq. mile

Union was formed in 1842 from Anson and Mecklenburg. At the time the county was formed there was a dispute between local Whigs and Democrats as to whether it should be named Clay or Jackson. The name Union was suggested and adopted as a compromise because the new county was created from parts of two others. Union County is proud to count its many towns including Fairview and Unionville as its own. Union County has many interesting sights, including a wide array of equestrian facilities. One of the best places to spend time in Union County is in the beautiful Cane Creek Park. A family oriented, water-based recreational facility, the park encompasses 1,050 acres of land and welcomes boaters, fishers, hikers and swimmers alike. In a strong message of patriotism, Union County's most important yearly event is the Veterans' Day celebration every November. Residents come to pay homage to their bravest with an elaborate celebration including a 21 gun salute, and an honorary flyover by the North Carolina Army National Guard.

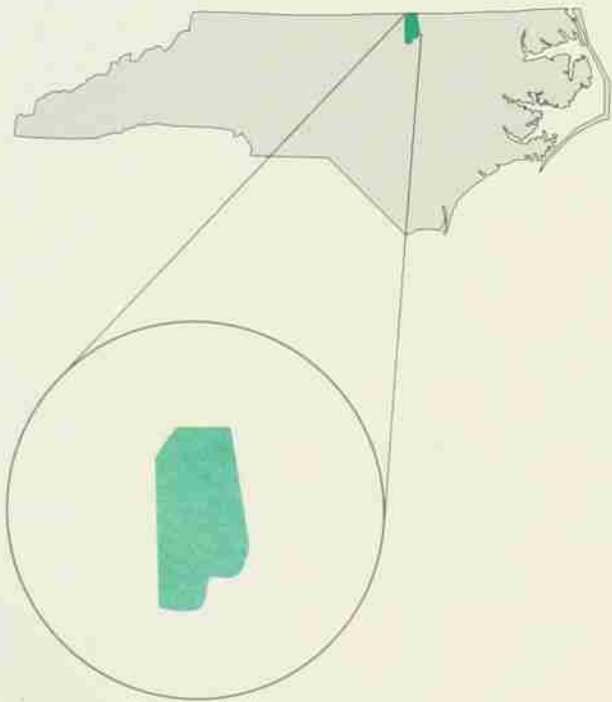
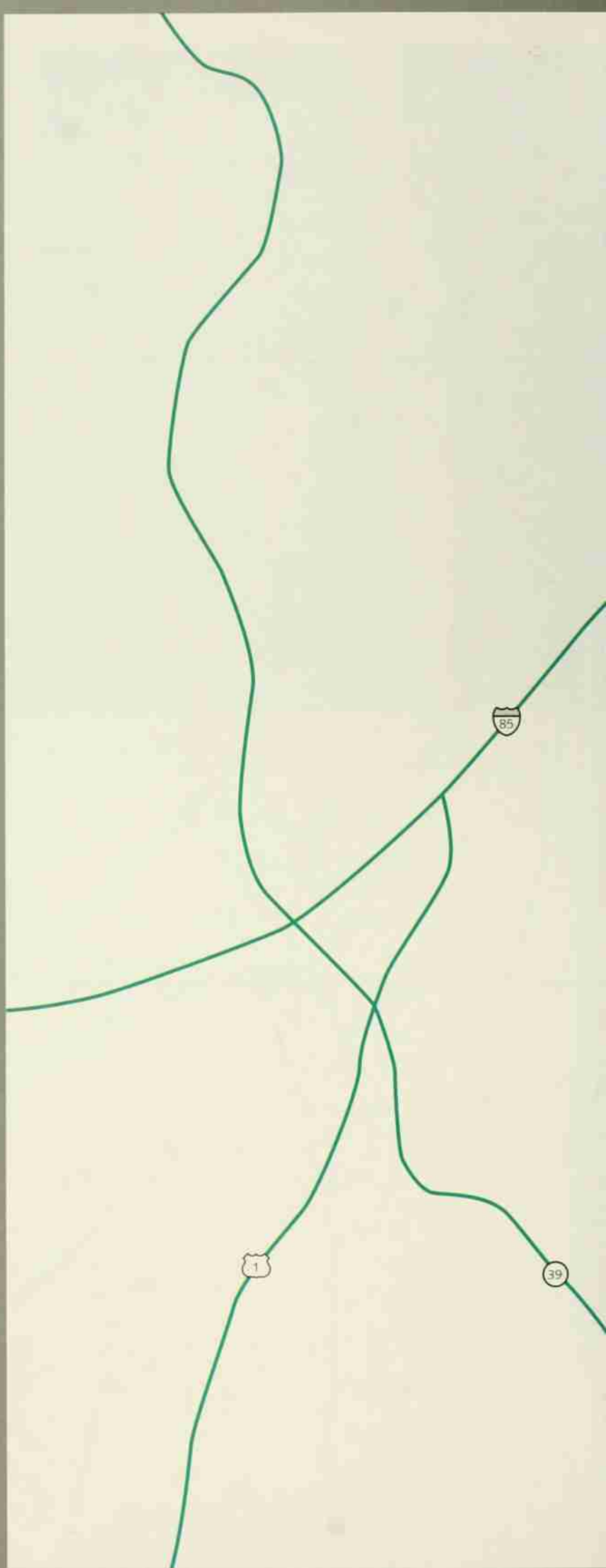


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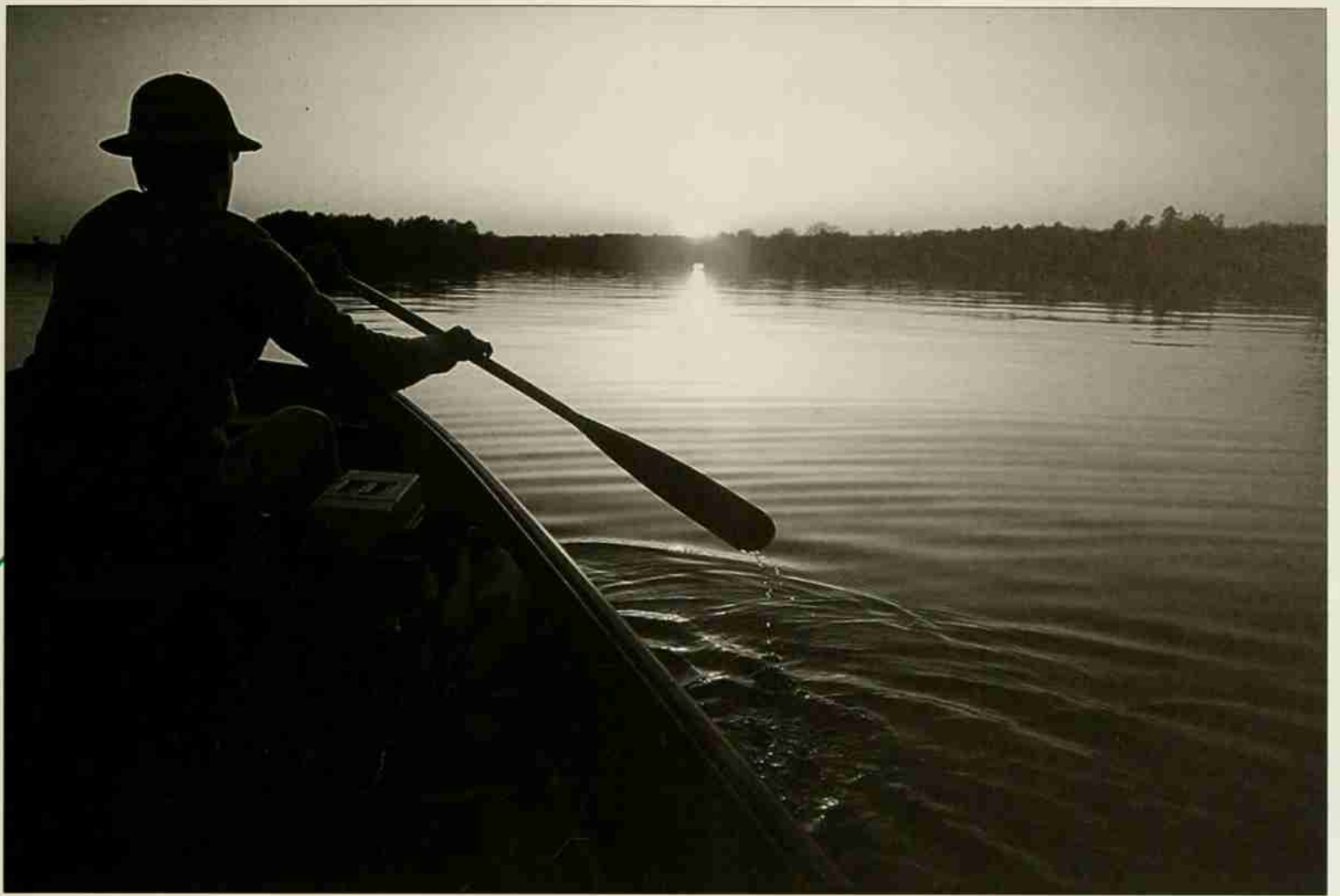


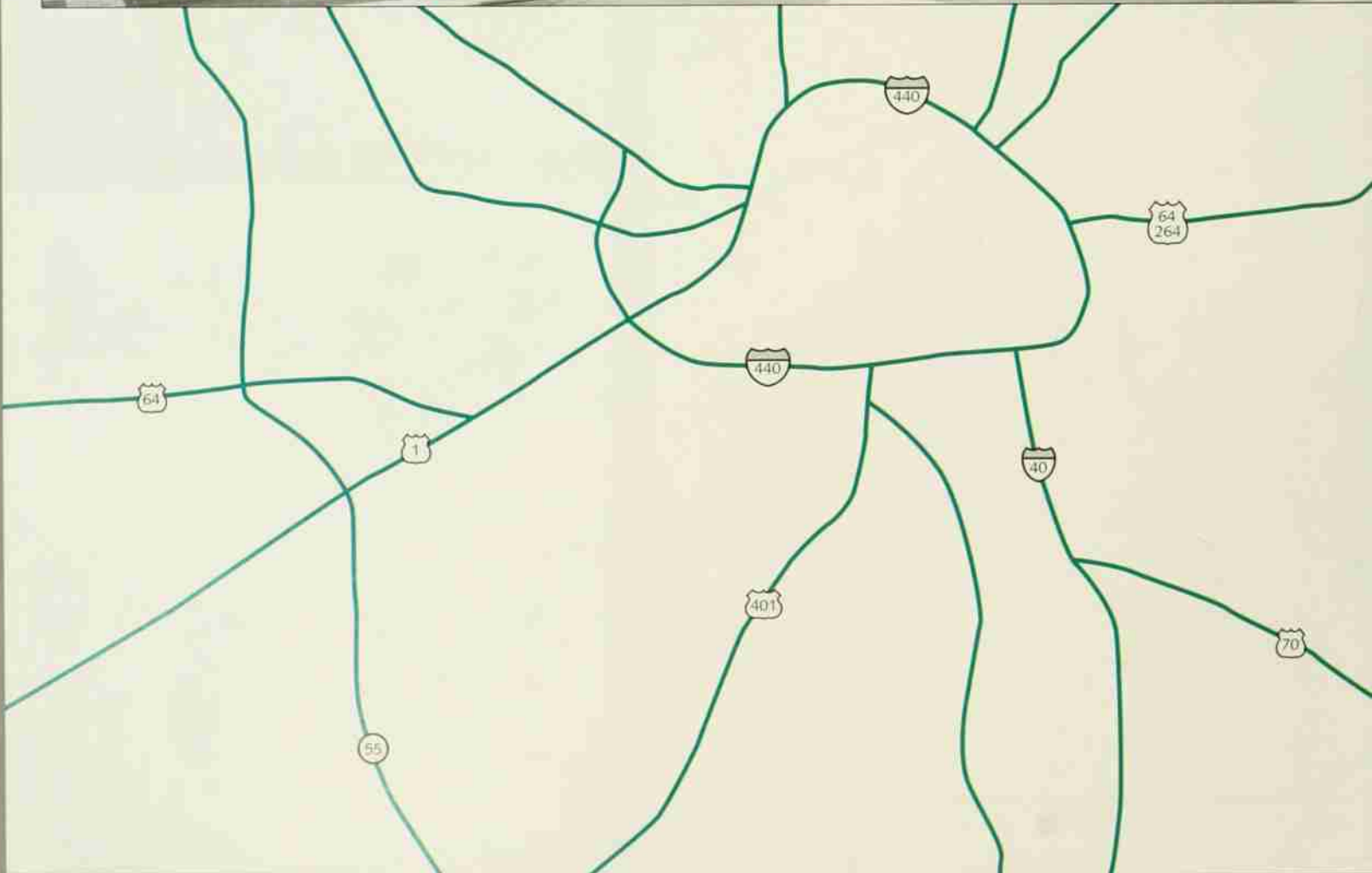
COUNTY SEAT: Henderson  
ELEVATION: 513 ft. above sea level  
LARGEST CITY: Henderson  
TOTAL AREA: 269.88 sq. miles  
POPULATION (2000): 42,954  
POPULATION RANK: 55 out of 100 counties  
POPULATION DENSITY: 169.43 per sq. mile

Vance was formed in 1881 from Granville, Warren, and Franklin. It is named in honor of Zebulon Baird Vance, a member of Congress, Governor of North Carolina, and a United States Senator. Towns like Henderson and Kittrell can be found in Vance County. Home to Kerr Lake, one of the State's largest parks and tourists attractions, Vance County never lacks something fun for its residents to do in warm weather. Fishing is one of the most celebrated sports in the county, every year over 10 different bass fishing competitions are held right on Kerr Lake. Independence day brings one of the most amazing celebrations in North Carolina, the Fourth of July's evening sky is lit up by the bright fireworks of in a patriotic celebration of America's freedom.









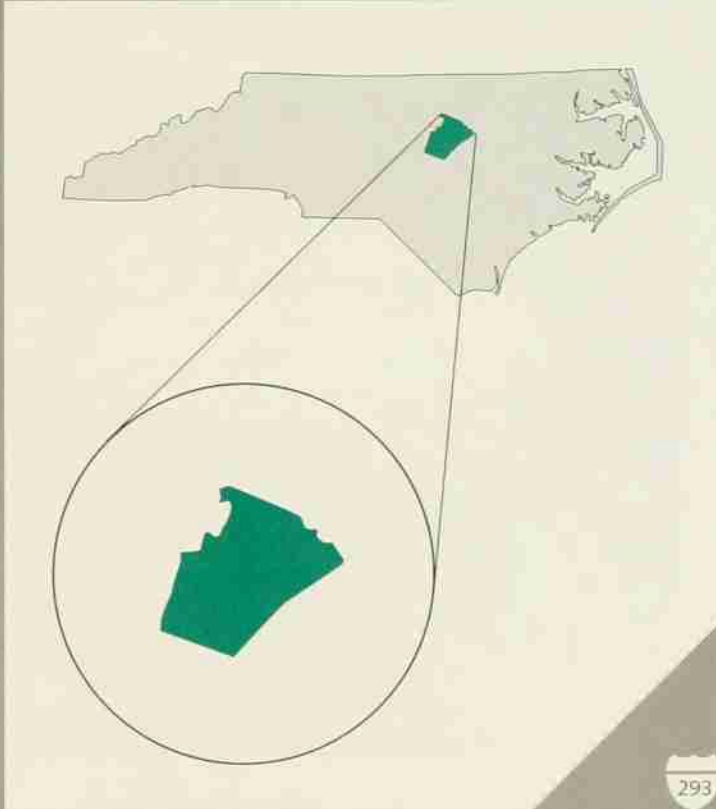
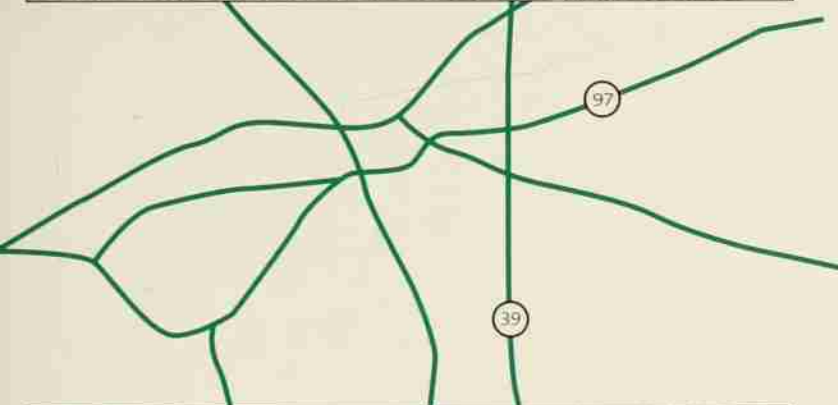


# WAKE COUNTY



COUNTY SEAT: Raleigh  
ELEVATION: 363 ft. above sea level  
LARGEST CITY: Raleigh  
TOTAL AREA: 856.24 sq. miles  
POPULATION (2000): 627,846  
POPULATION RANK: 2 OUT OF 100 COUNTIES  
POPULATION DENSITY: 754.69 per sq. mile

Wake was formed in 1771 from Johnston, Cumberland and Orange. The act became effective March 12, 1771. It is named in honor of Margaret Wake, wife of William Tryon. Home to the cities of Raleigh and Cary, Wake County is one of North Carolina's most populated areas. Raleigh, the capital of North Carolina, is also home to our very own North Carolina State University. Life never slows down in Wake County, from the busy city life of the Municipalities of Raleigh and Cary to the laid back, tightly knit communities of Zebulon and Knightdale. Daily tours of the capital buildings and government offices are held in Raleigh, as well as a terrific trolley tour of the surrounding area. The coming of the summer brings the exciting Alive After Five celebration each Thursday, as Wake County residents gather in downtown Raleigh to relax after a busy day of work or school and listen to some great bands.



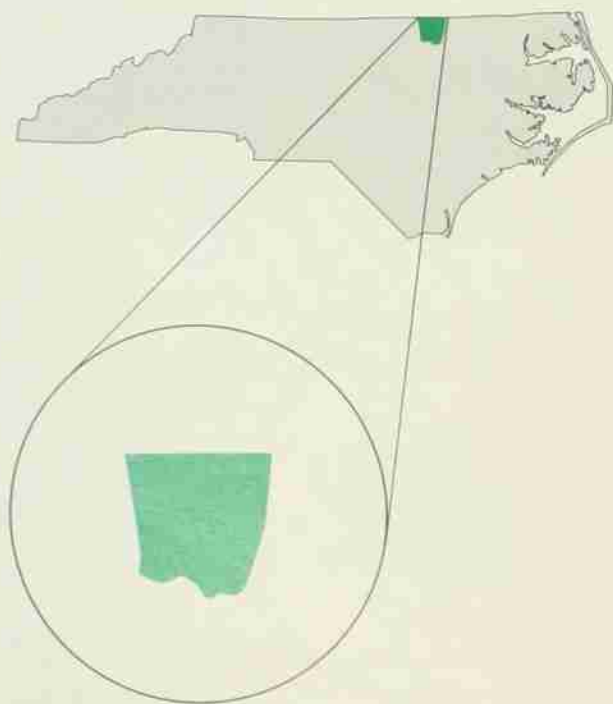
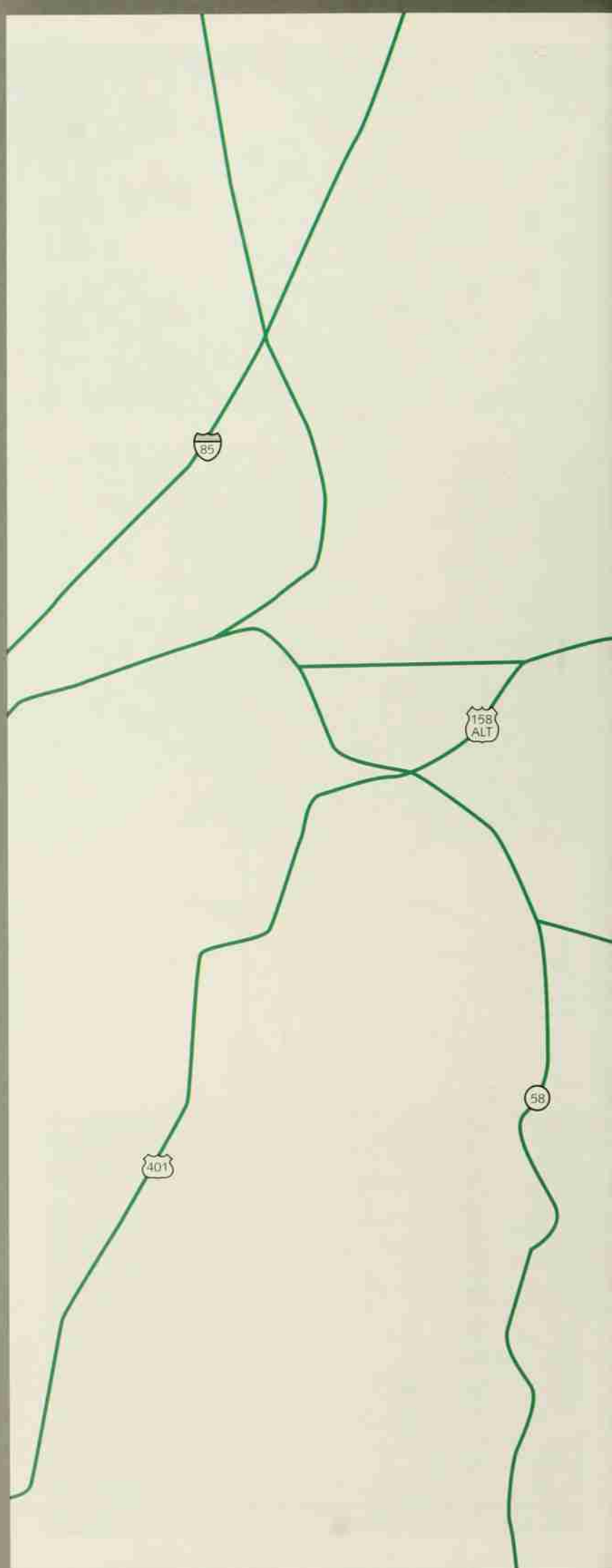


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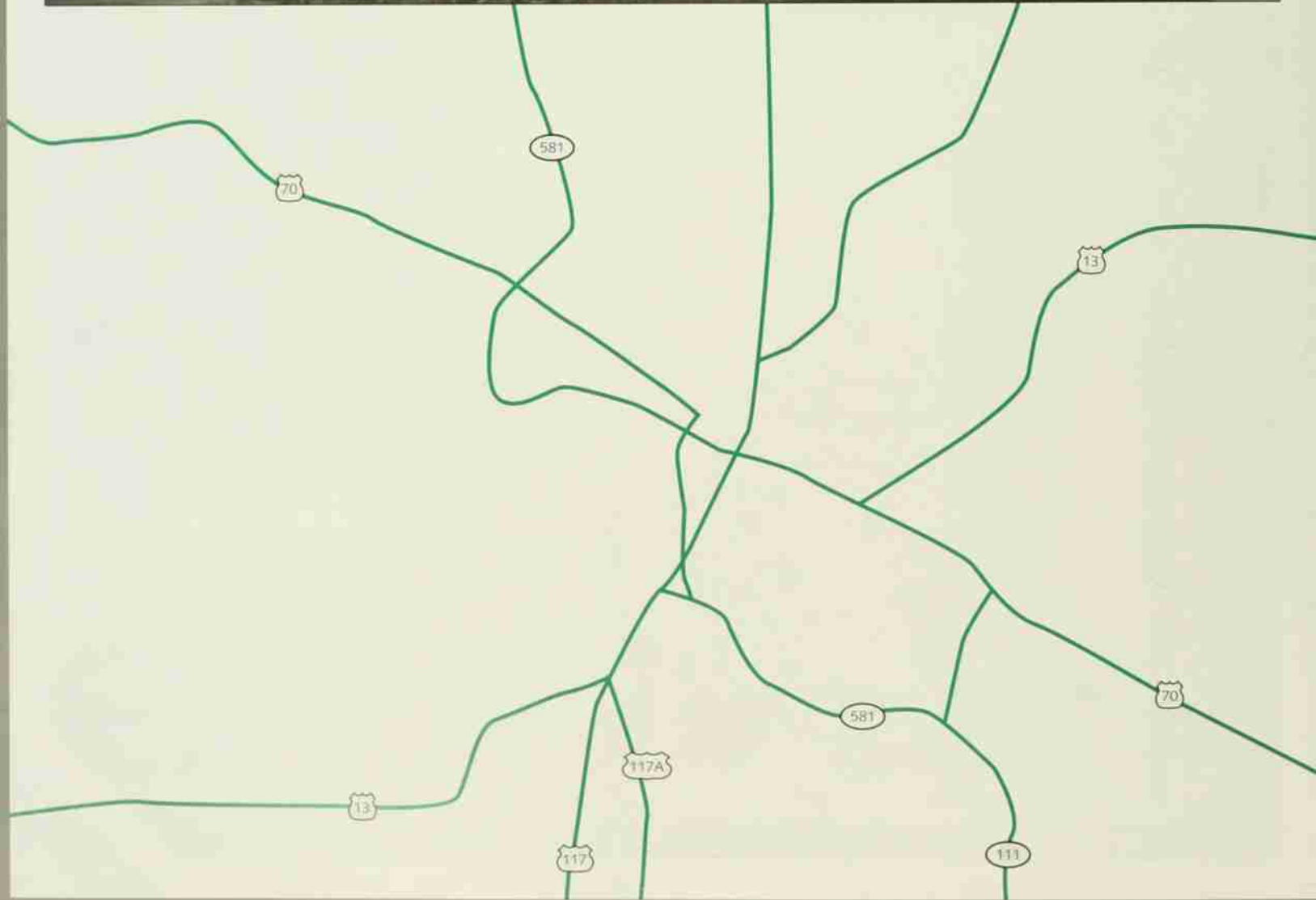


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ELEVATION: 451 ft. above sea level  
LARGEST CITY: Norlina  
TOTAL AREA: 443.38 sq. miles  
POPULATION (2000): 19,972  
POPULATION RANK: 79 out of 100 counties  
POPULATION DENSITY: 46.39 per sq. mile

Warren was formed in 1779 from Bute. It is named for General Joseph Warren, American Revolutionary War patriot and physician, who was killed at Bunker Hill. The towns of Macon, Norlina, and Ridgeway are all found in Warren County. Known to have a wealth of outdoors activities available, Warren County is considered a nature lover's paradise. The county borders one of the largest lakes on the east coast, Lake Gaston, and residents are welcomed to enjoy all that the large body of water has to offer. Lake Gaston has something for everyone; water skiing and wave-running are just some of the typical sports you might find people trying during the warm summer months.









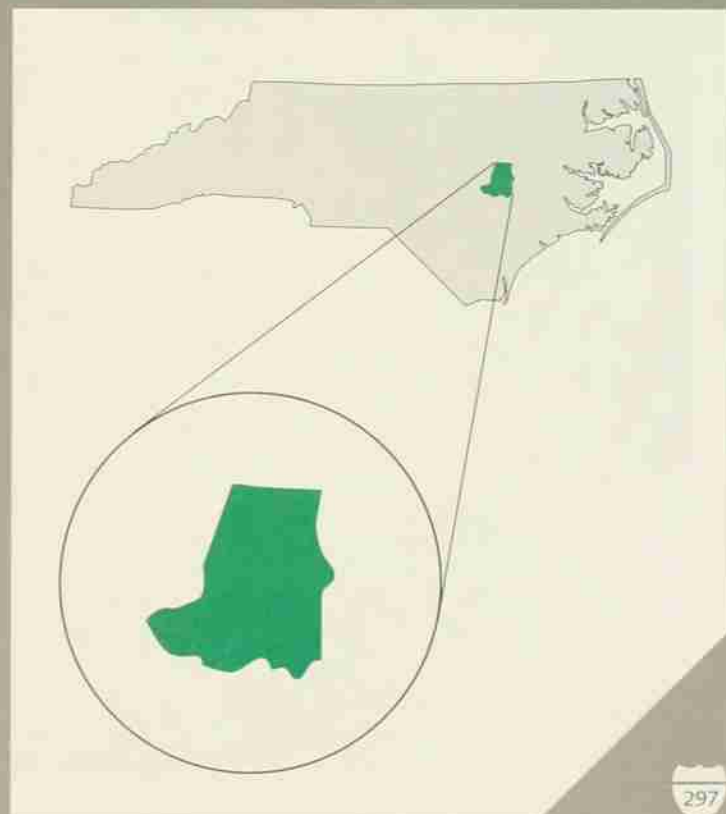
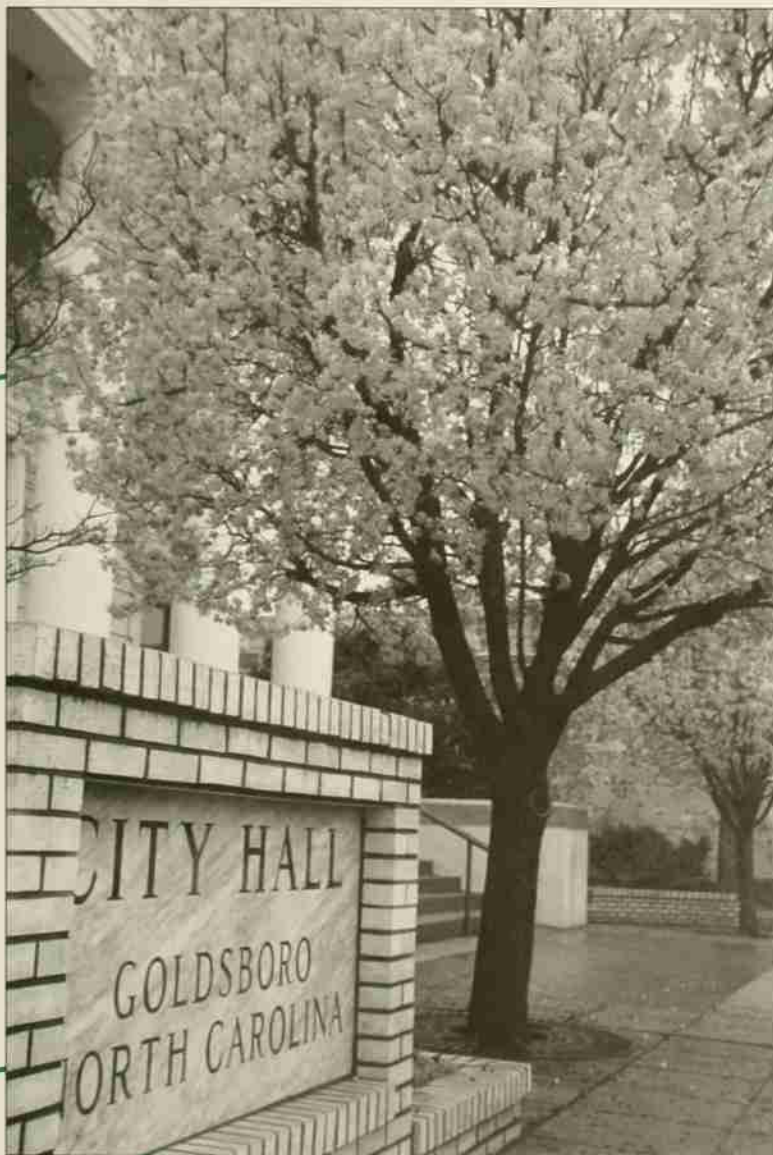
# WAYNE COUNTY



COUNTY SEAT: Goldsboro  
ELEVATION: 111 ft. above sea level  
LARGEST CITY: Goldsboro  
TOTAL AREA: 556.97 sq. miles  
POPULATION (2000): 113,329  
POPULATION RANK: 23 OUT OF 100 COUNTIES  
POPULATION DENSITY: 205.09 per sq. mile

Wayne was formed in 1779 from Dobbs. It is named in honor of General Anthony Wayne, one of Washington's most trusted soldiers. Wayne County is home to the towns of Dudley, Eureka and Goldsboro. Best described as eastern-central to the state, Wayne County borders the Neuse River and the Northeast Cape Fear River. Golfing is one of the county's main attractions as the warm, inviting climate brings in golfers from all over the Carolinas to play a round or two.

"It's a small county but it's growing. We've got about every chain restaurant there is. What is there to do? Oh god, let me think. There's got to be something. People go to the movies to hang out or out behind the Burger King."  
-Heather Hayes, freshman, Architecture

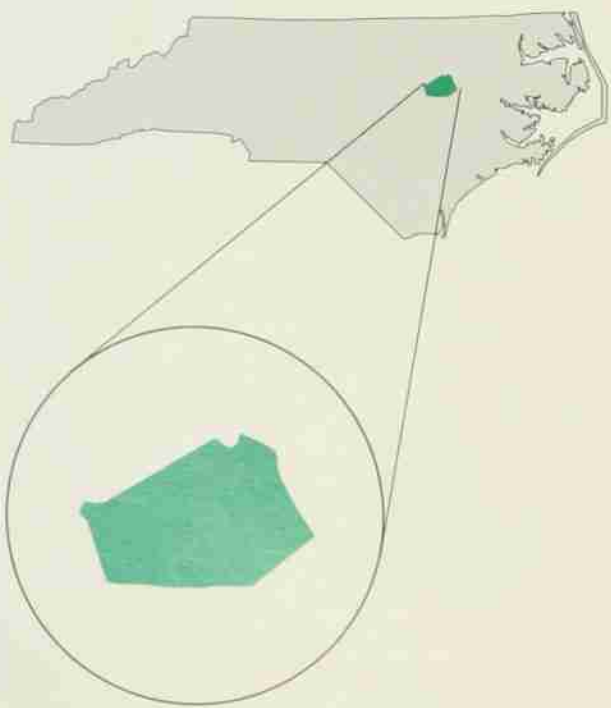
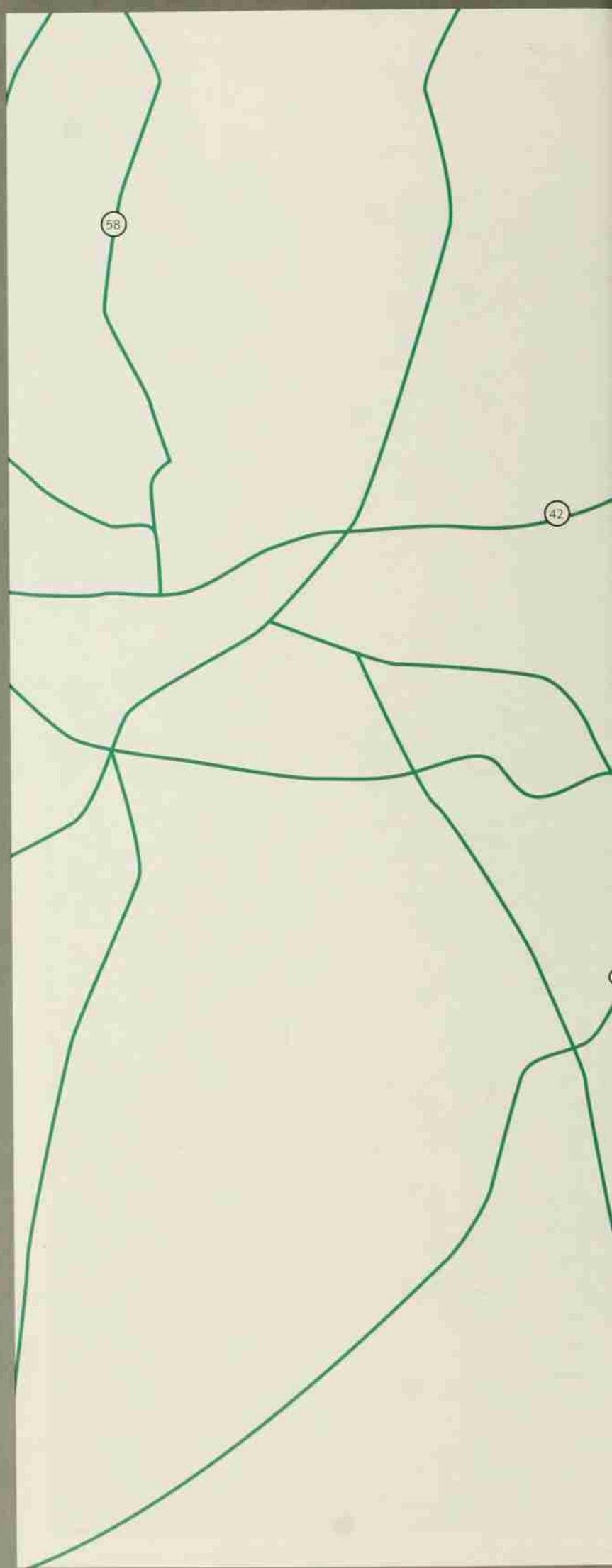


# WILSON COUNTY



COUNTY SEAT: Wilson  
ELEVATION: 147 ft. above sea level  
LARGEST CITY: Wilson  
TOTAL AREA: 374.2 sq. miles  
POPULATION (2000): 73,814  
POPULATION RANK: 33 out of 100 counties  
POPULATION DENSITY: 198.91 per sq. mile

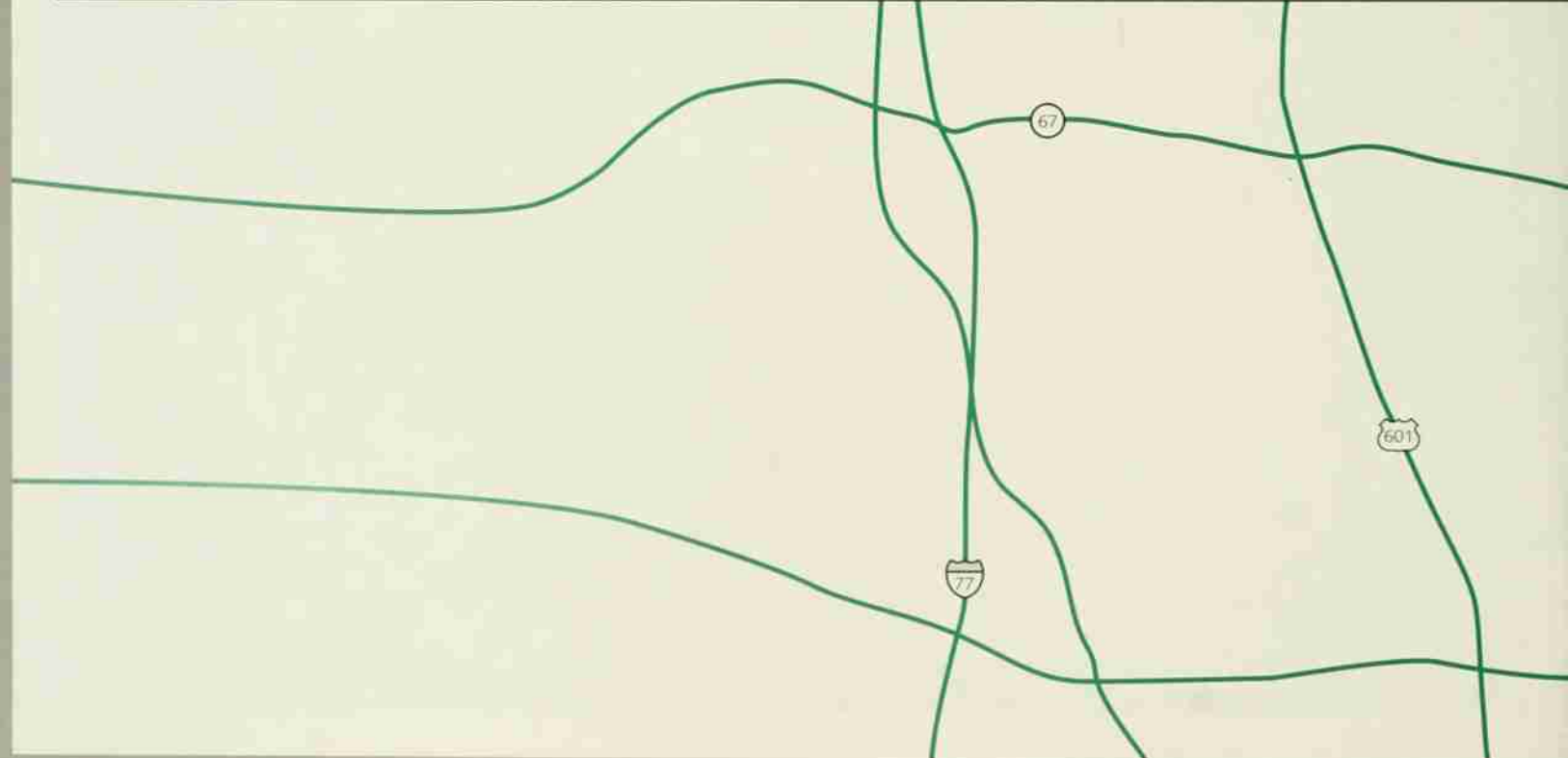
Wilson was formed in 1855 from Edgecombe, Nash, Johnston and Wayne. It is named for Louis Dicken Wilson, delegate to the Constitutional Convention of 1835 and an officer during the War with Mexico in which he died. Wilson County is home to the towns of Wilson, Black Creek and Elm City, plus many others. Wilson County is home to the Imagination Station, one of the best hands-on museums anywhere in the world. With over 200 exhibits, each with their own hands-on feel, children are invited to spend hours playing, while learning at the same time. The yearly Wilson Rose Garden celebration brings in everyone from garden enthusiasts to those seeking to catch a whiff of the romantic scent of the flowers. It is an event highly touted throughout Wilson County.











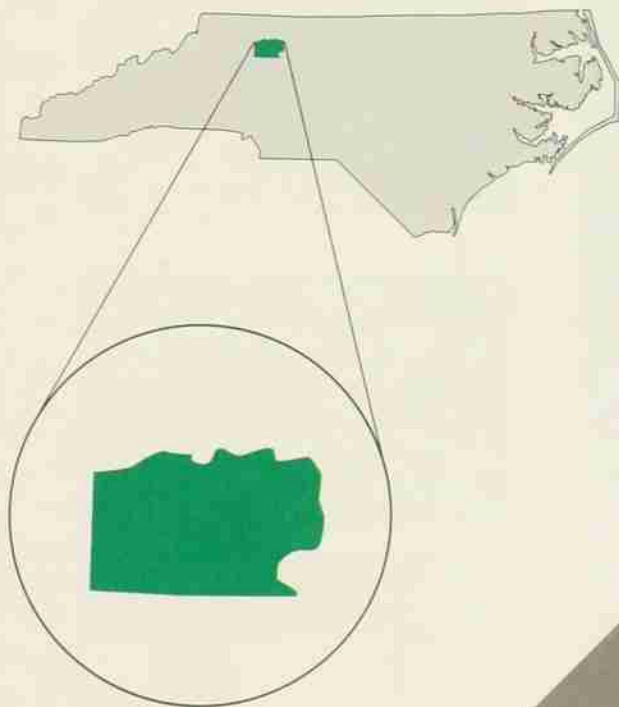


# YADKIN COUNTY



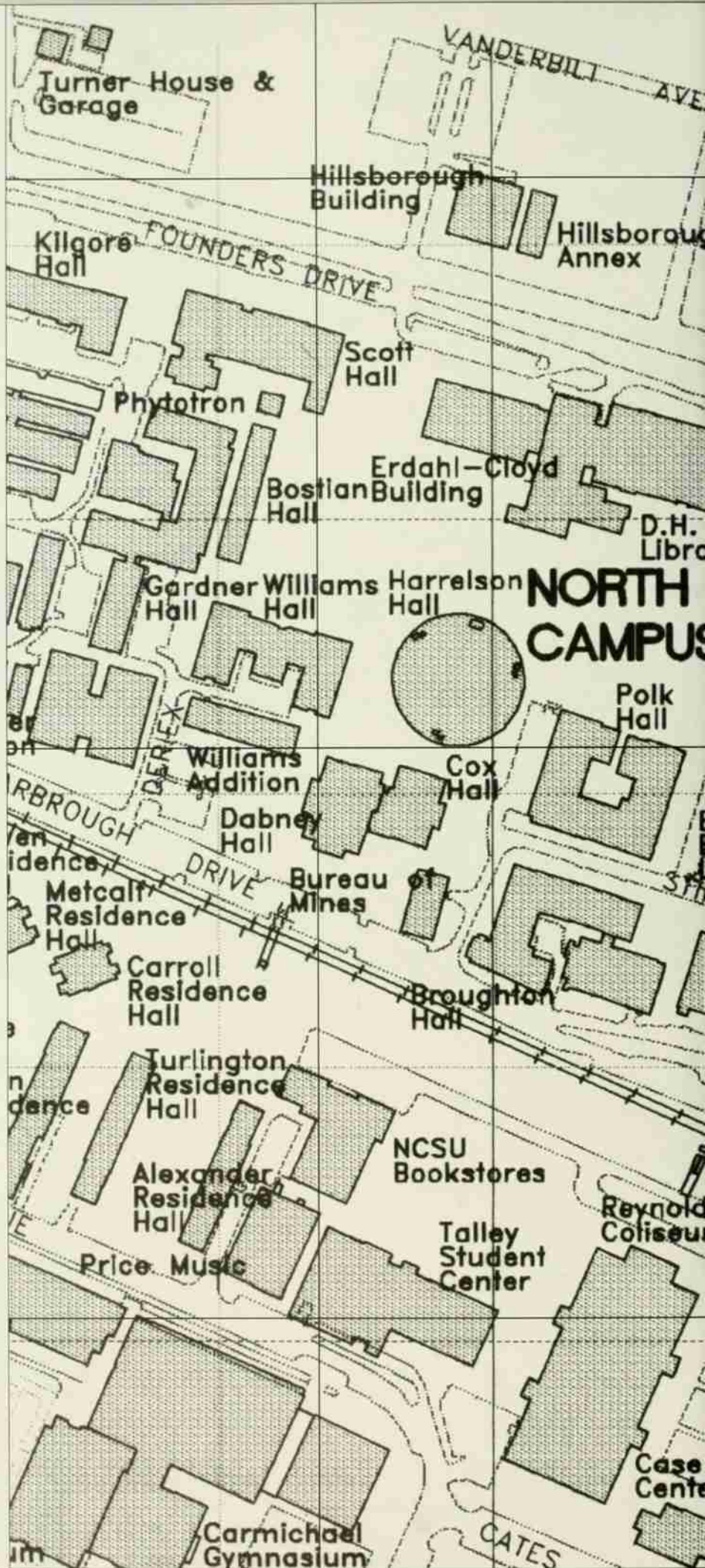
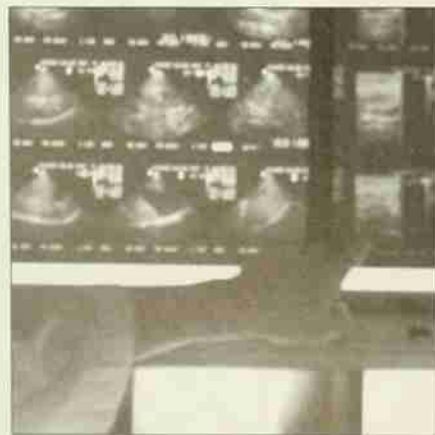
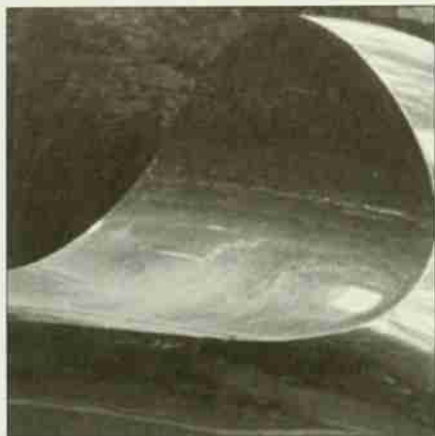
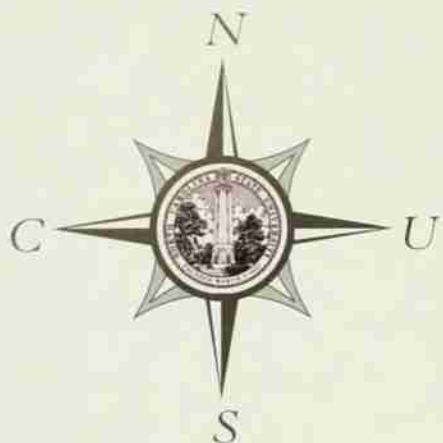
COUNTY SEAT: Yadkinville  
ELEVATION: 960 ft. above sea level  
LARGEST CITY: Yadkinville  
TOTAL AREA: 337.71 sq. miles  
POPULATION (2000): 36,348  
POPULATION RANK: 59 OUT OF 100 COUNTIES  
POPULATION DENSITY: 108.32 per sq. mile

Yadkin was formed in 1850 from Surry. Its name is derived from the Yadkin River which runs through it. Yadkin County plays host to several municipalities including Yadkinville, Jonesville, Boonville, and East Bend. The towns offer lots to do, including many historical sites. Tourists are welcomed to visit Butner Mill, a restored grist mill rich in history, not to mention Shallowford Popcorn Farms and Hanover Park vineyard. Every year Yadkin County has several different festivals including a Christmas parade, and one of the most entertaining events in North Carolina: the Fiddlers' Convention. The "Yadkinville Bluegrass Contest & Fiddlers' Convention" was first held in 1985, and since then it has developed its own strong traditions. Playing host to some of the most world-renowned fiddlers in history, the convention has become a must-see for anyone claiming to be a fiddler.





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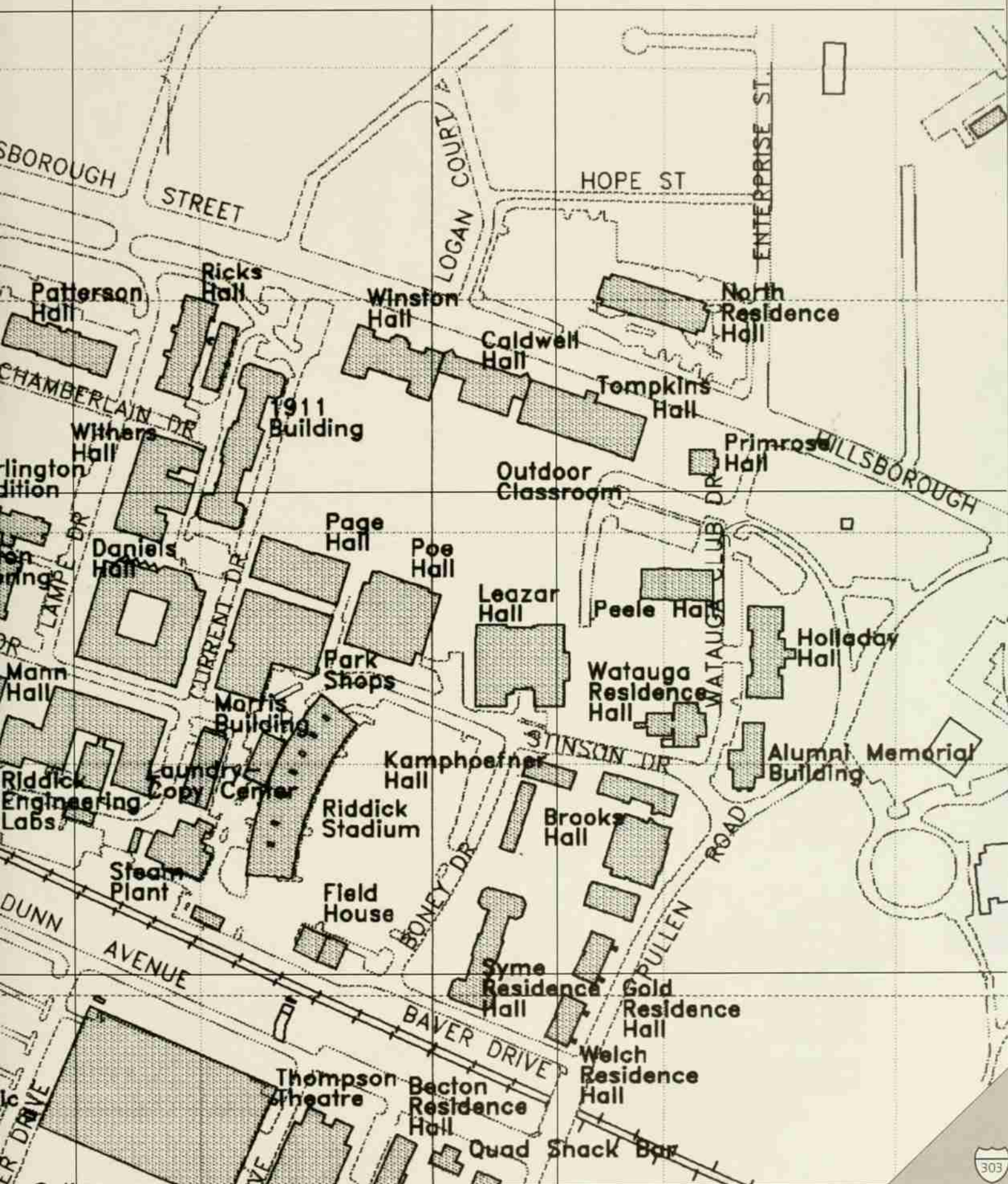




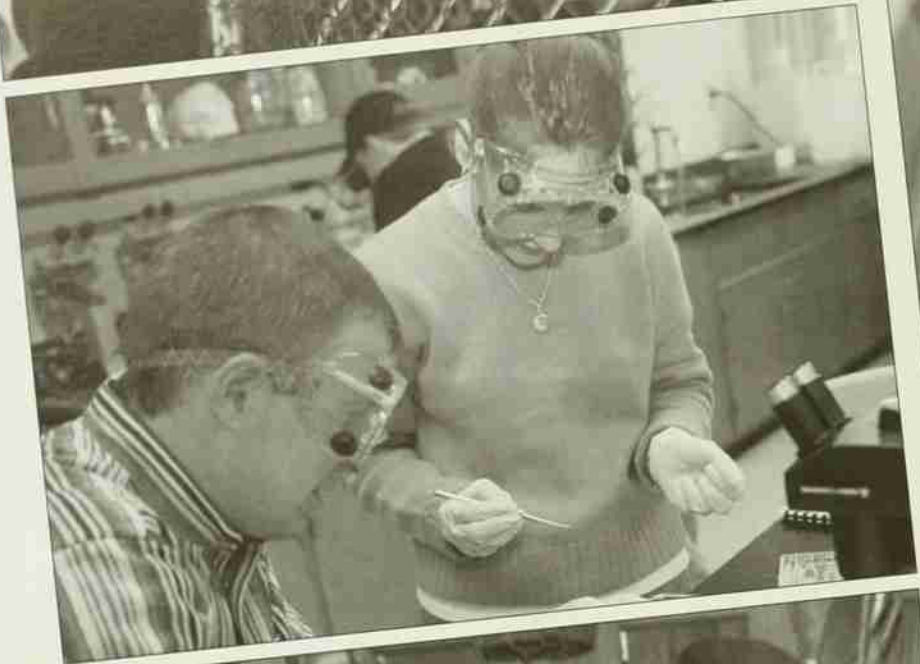
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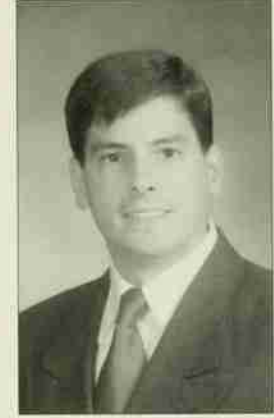
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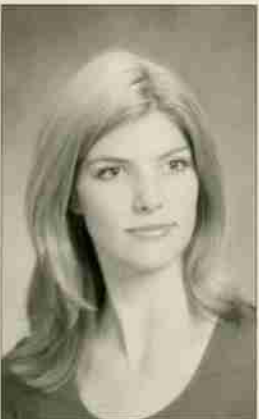


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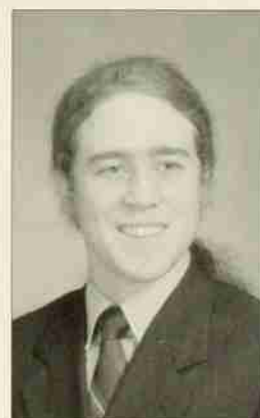
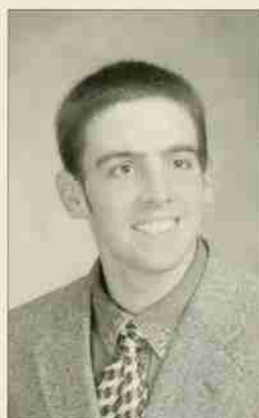


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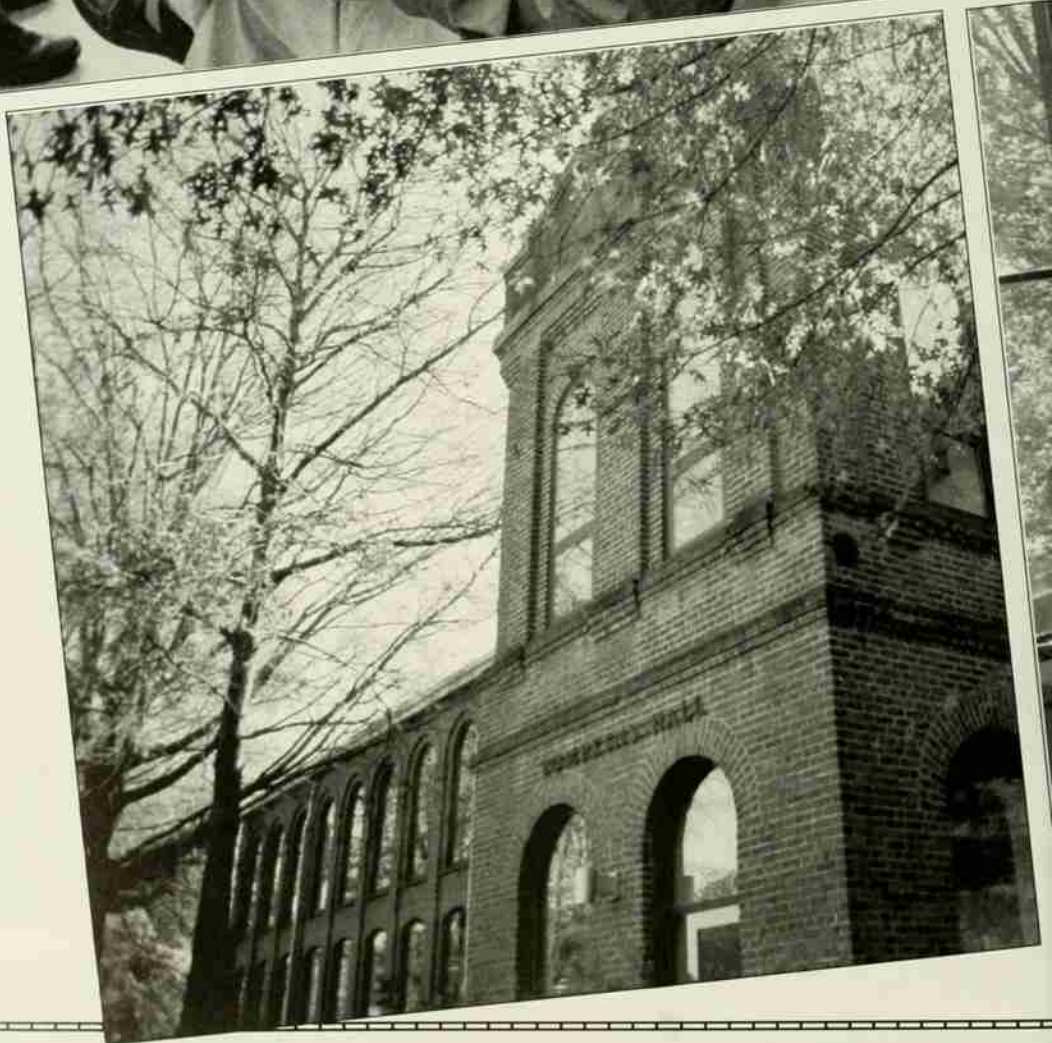
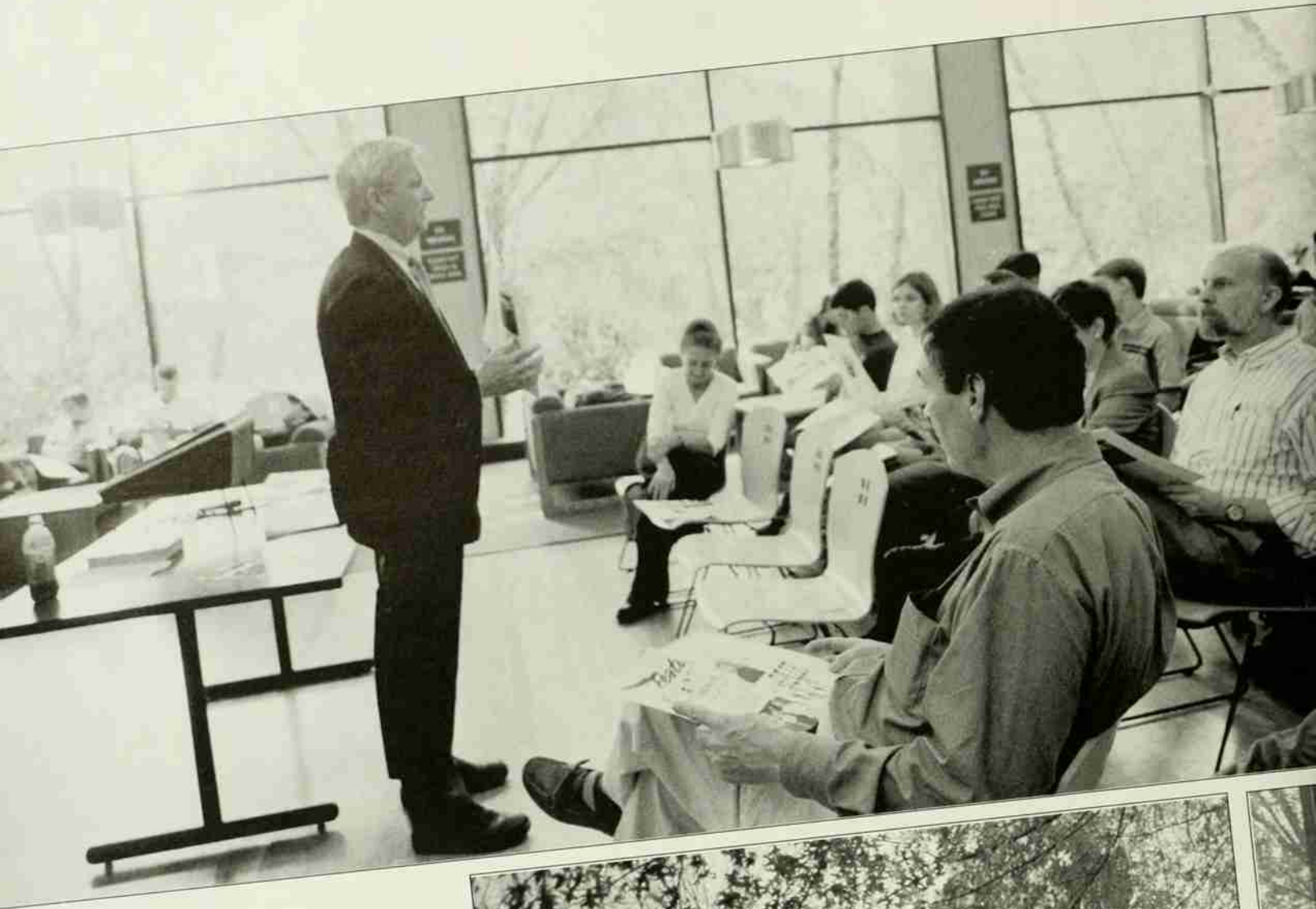


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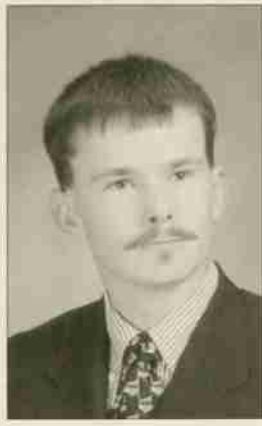
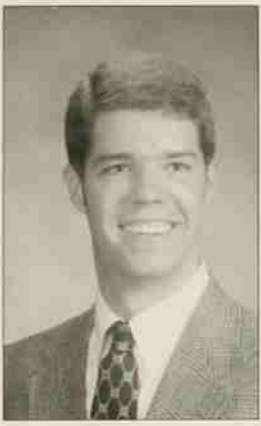
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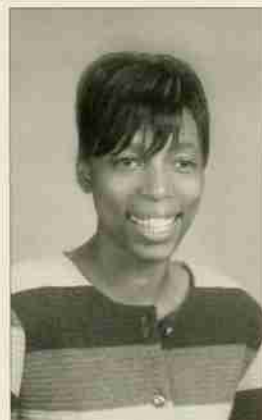


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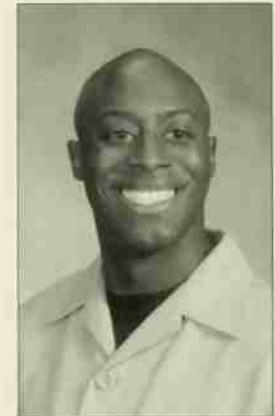


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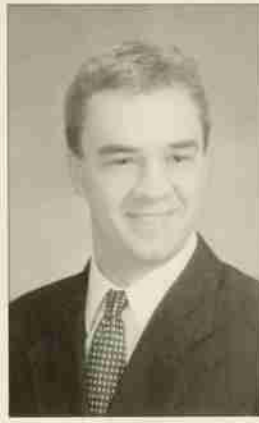
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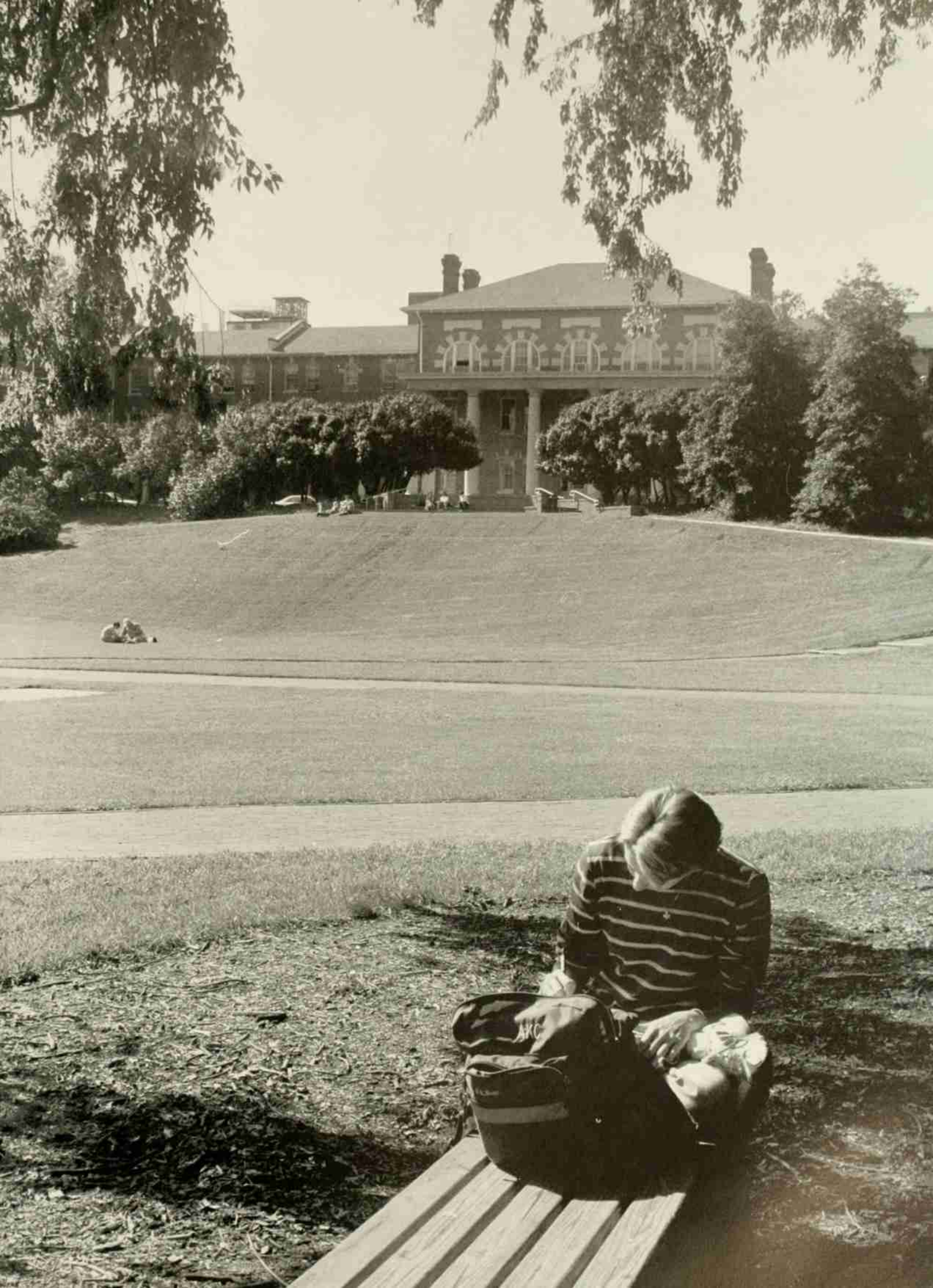


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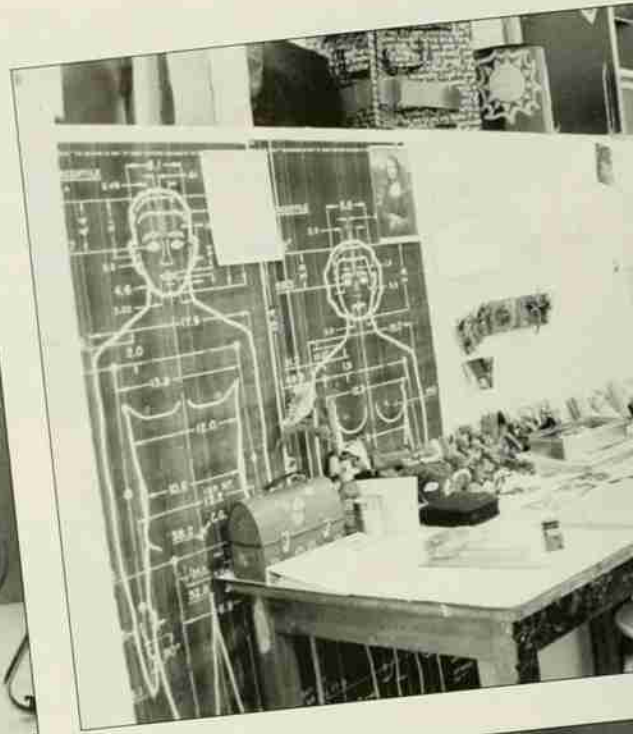


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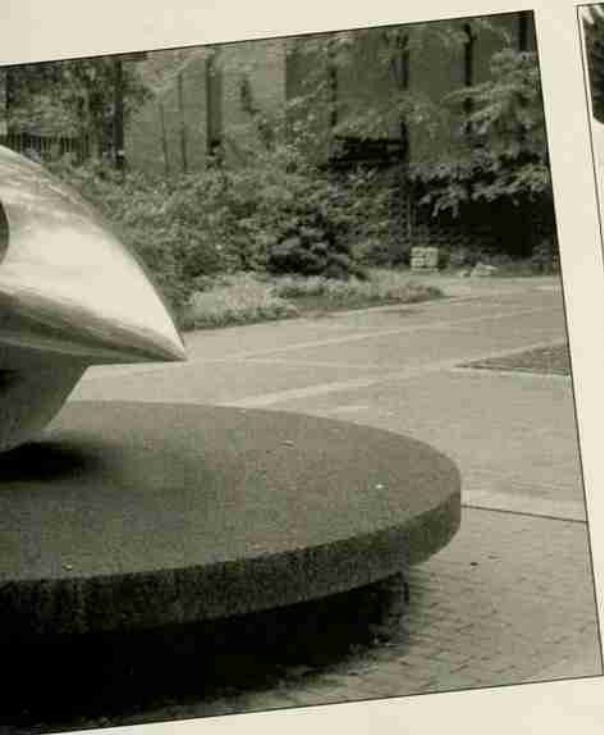












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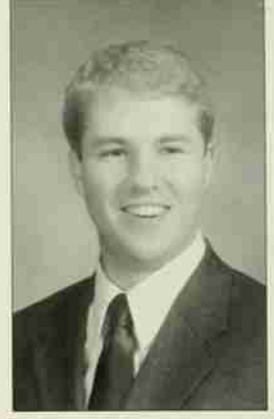
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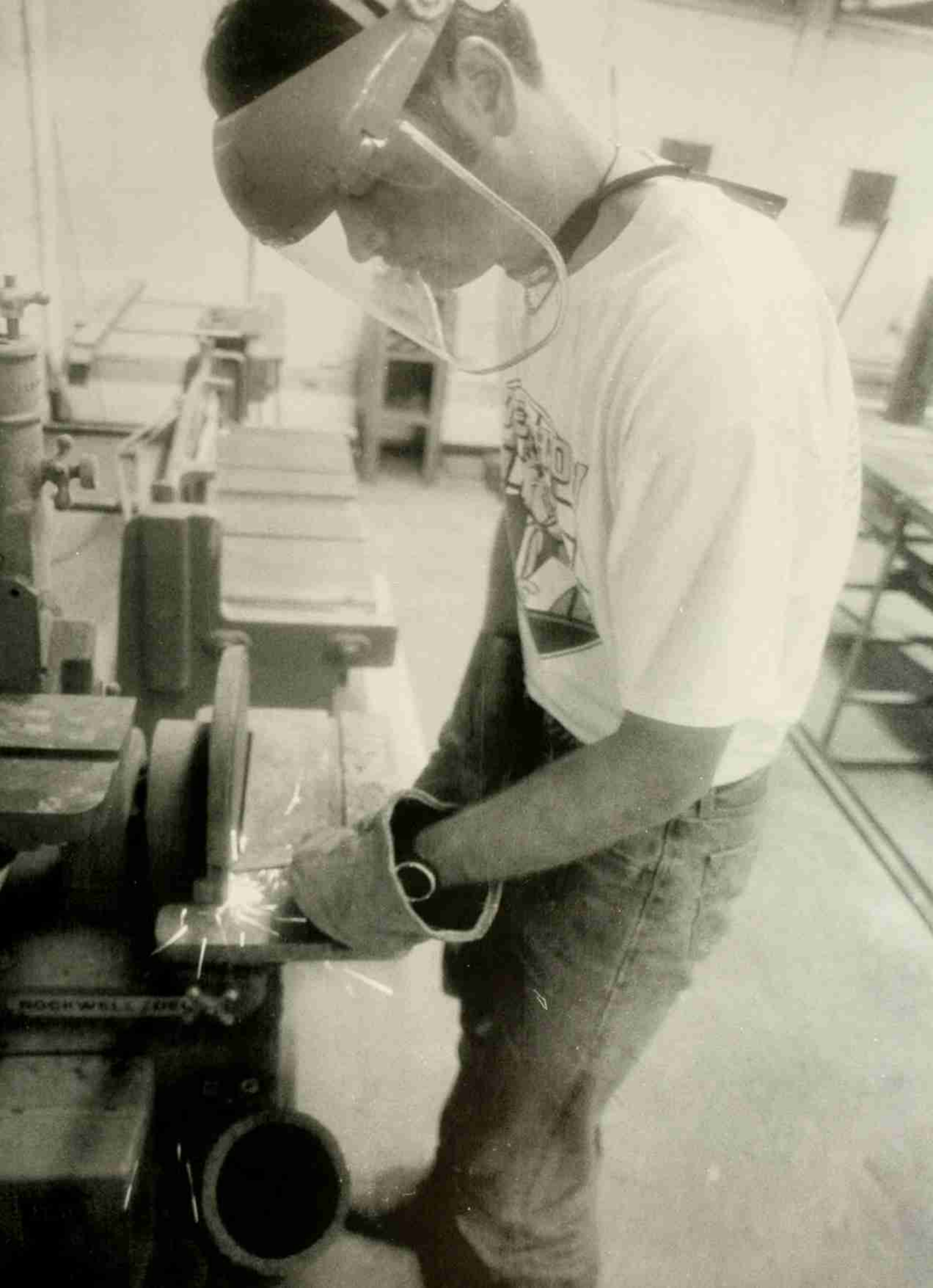


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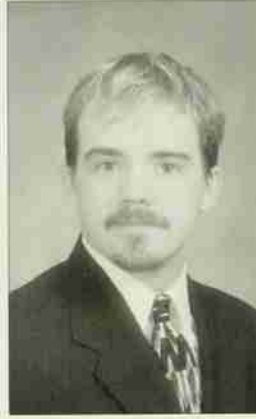
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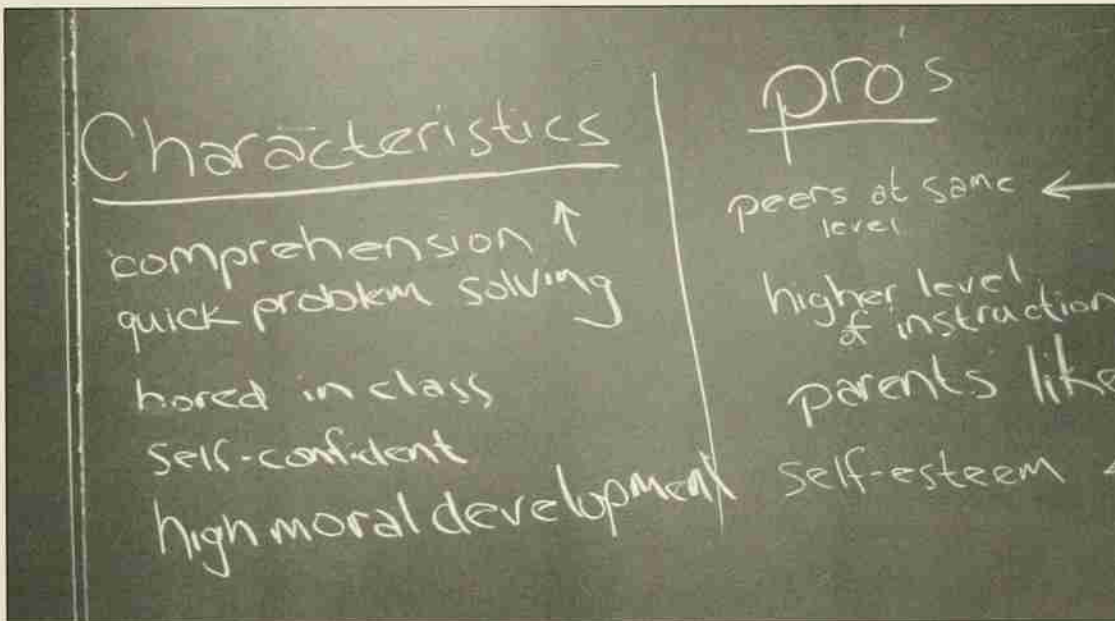
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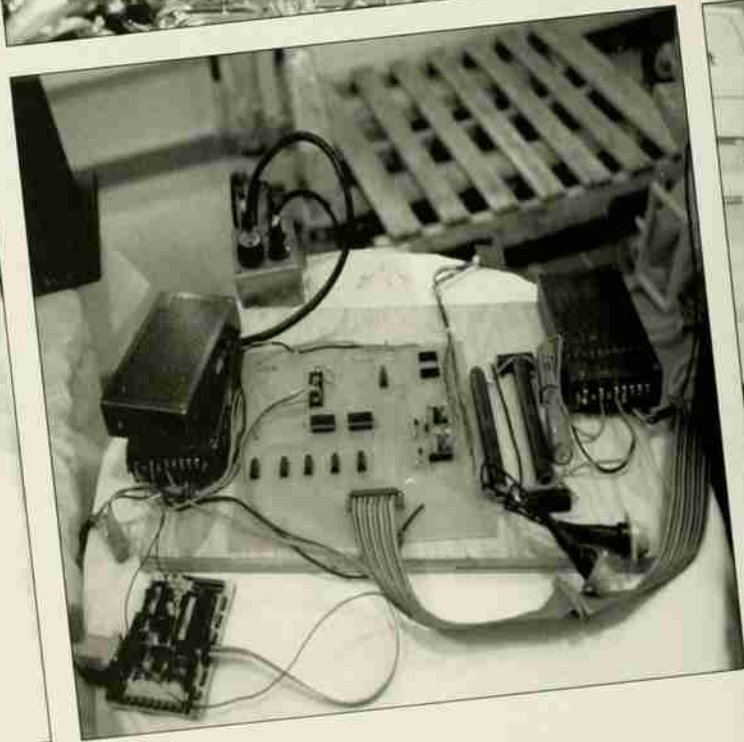
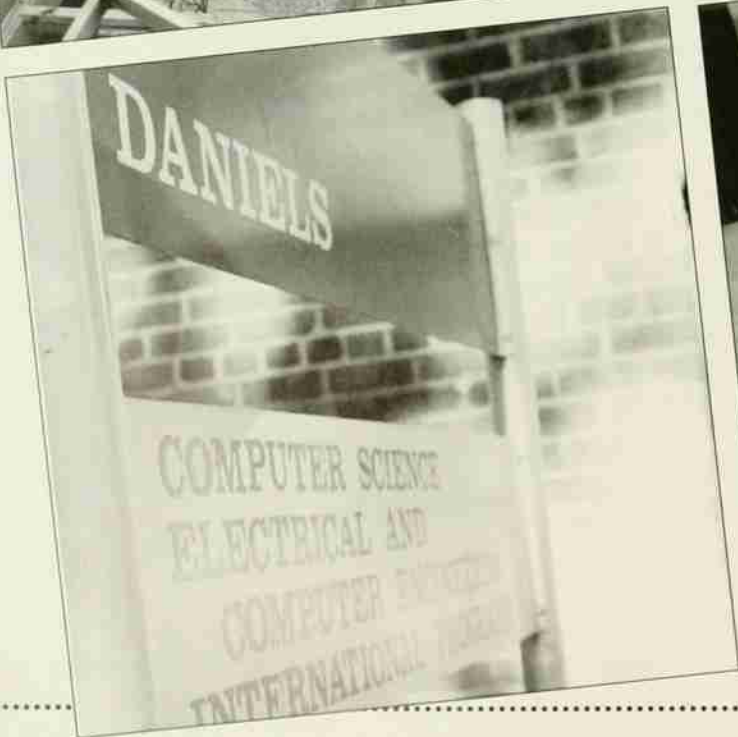
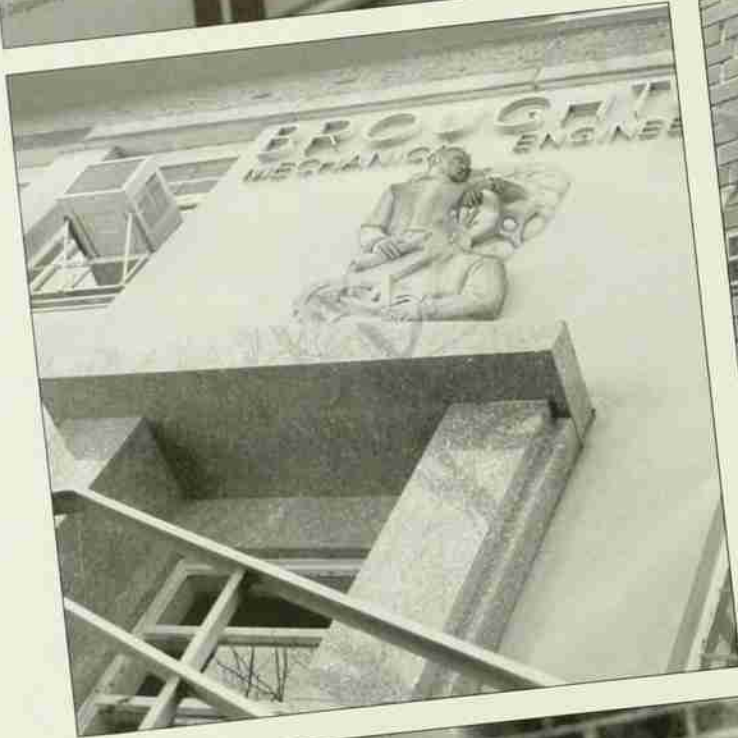
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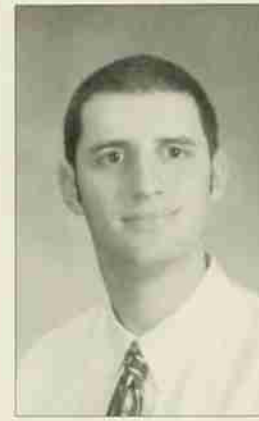
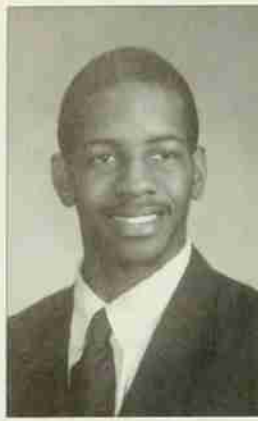




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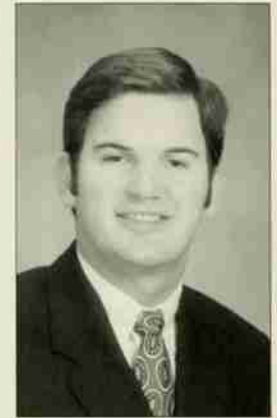


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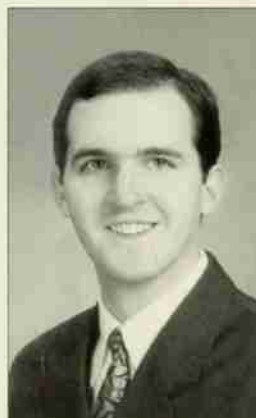


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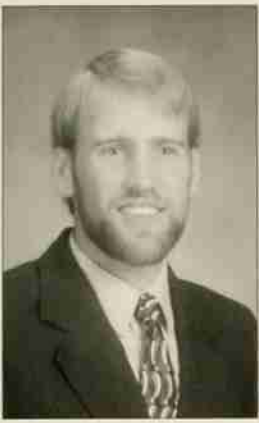
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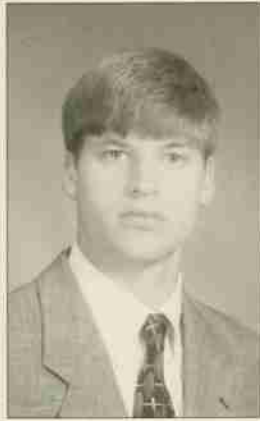


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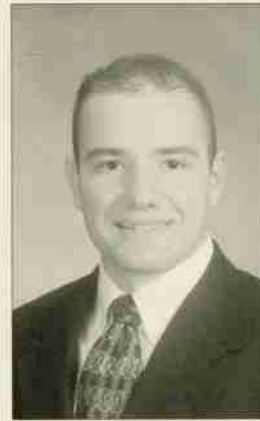


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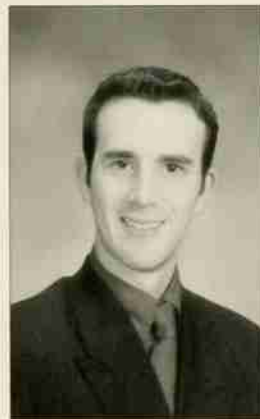
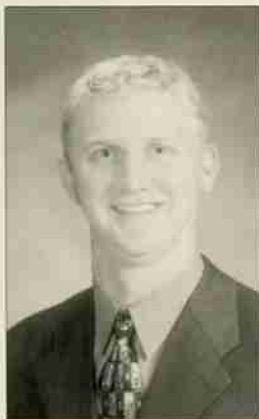


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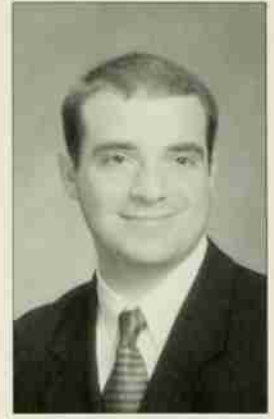
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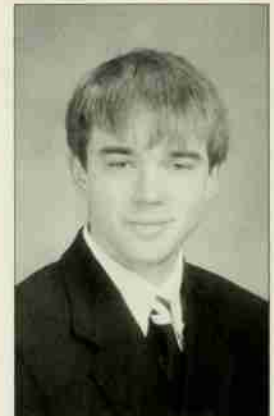


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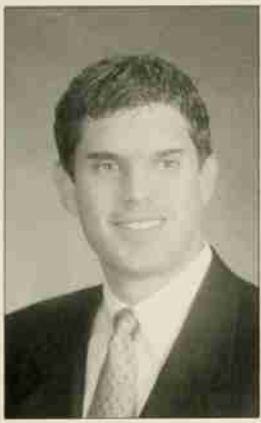


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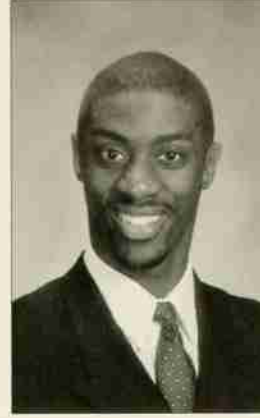


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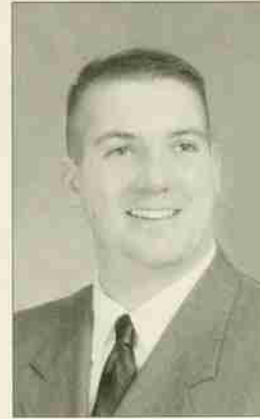
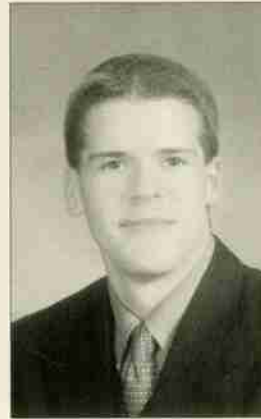
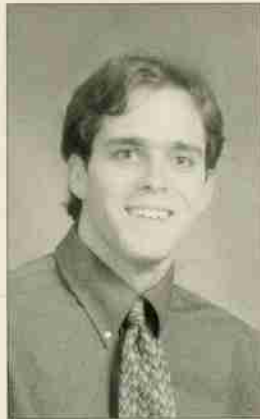


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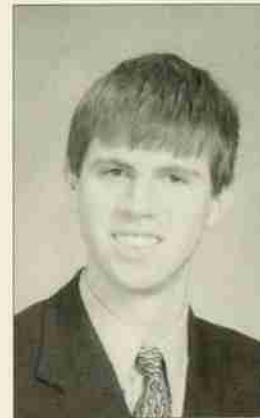
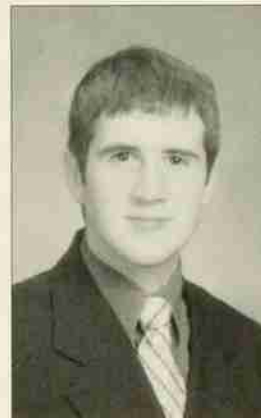
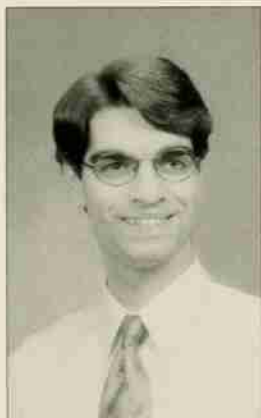


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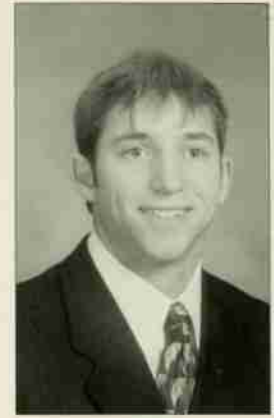
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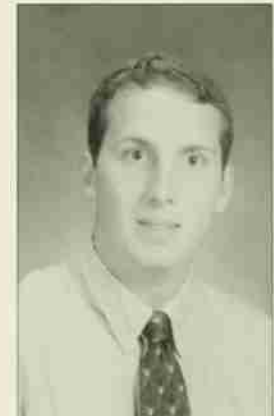
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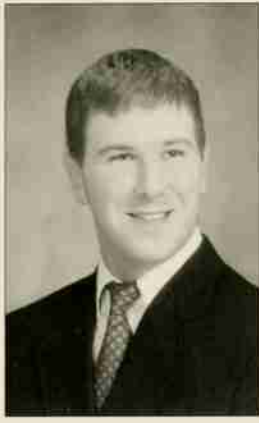


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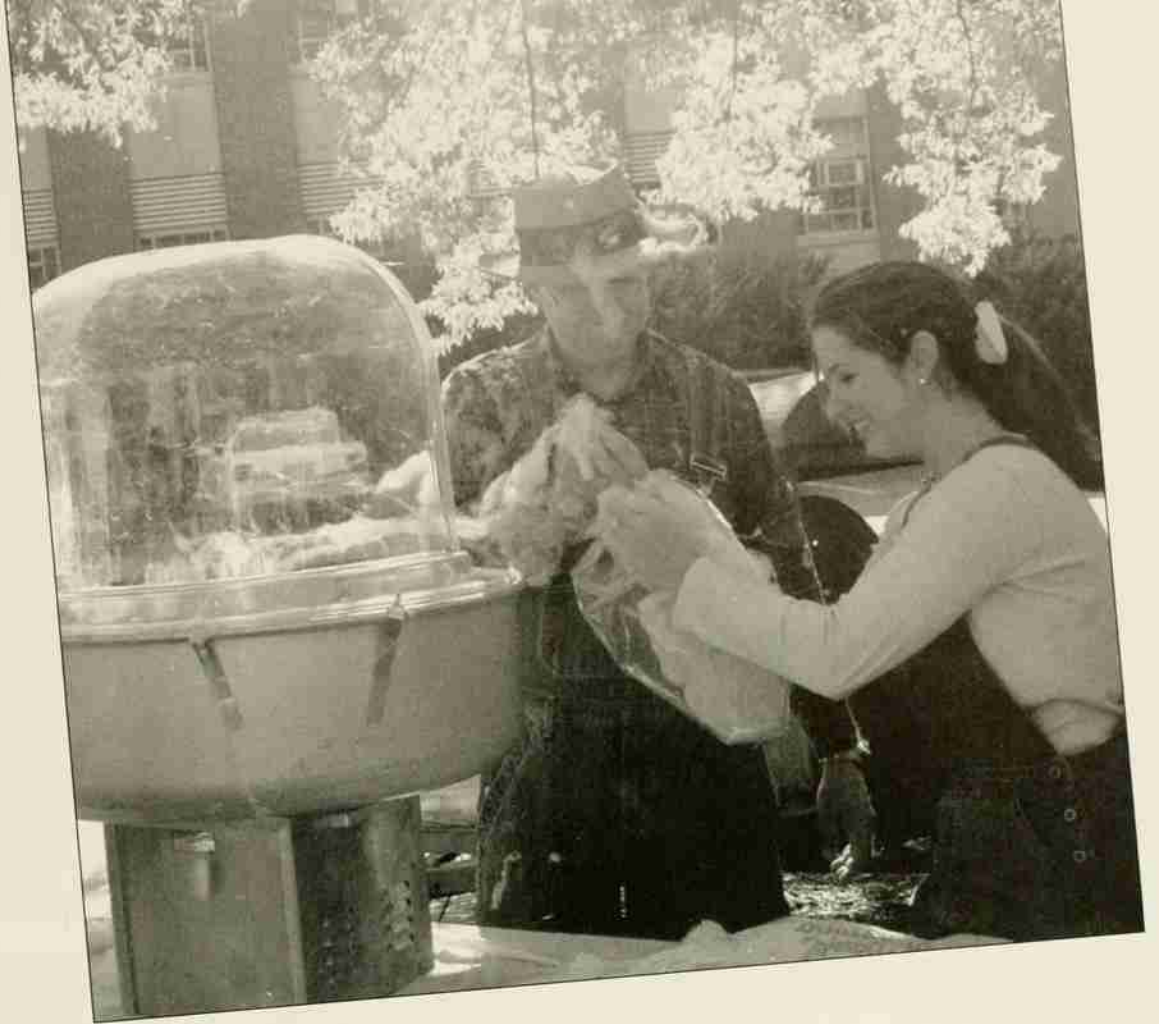
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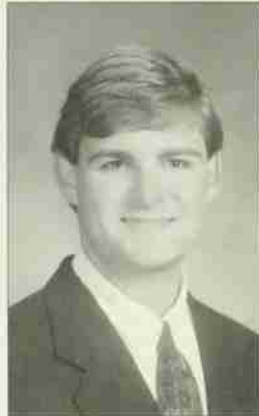
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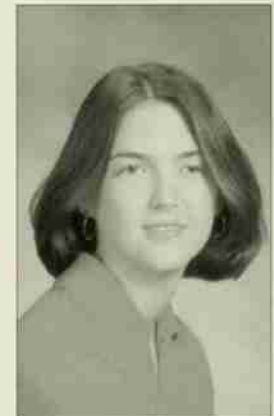
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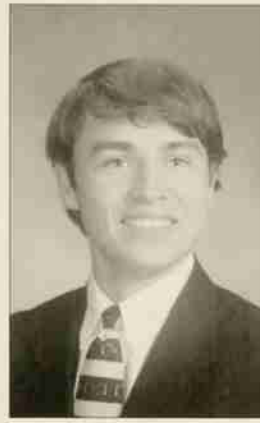




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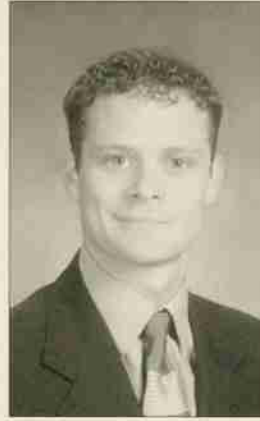
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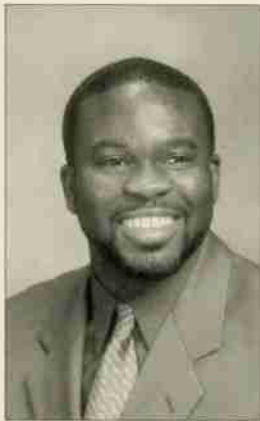
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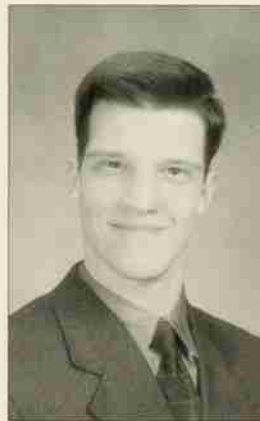
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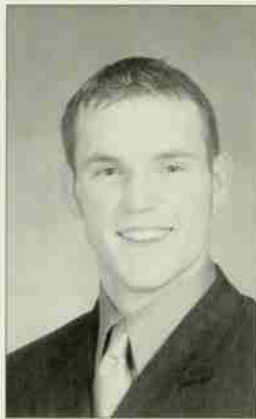
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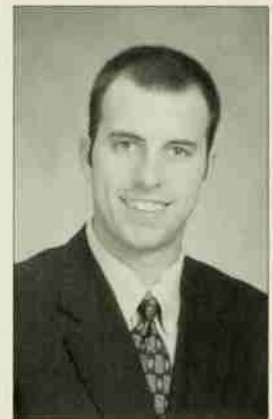


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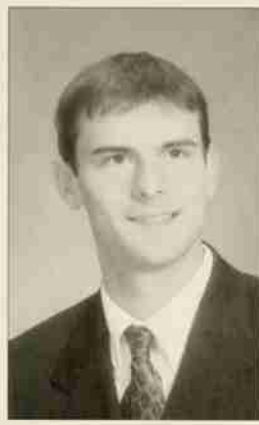
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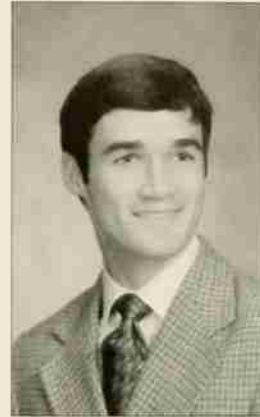


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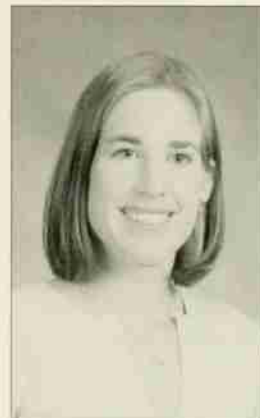


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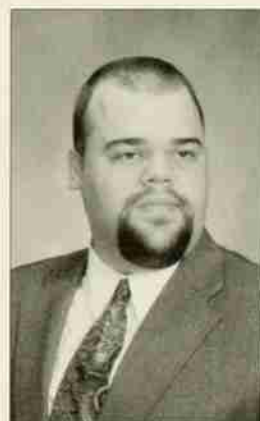
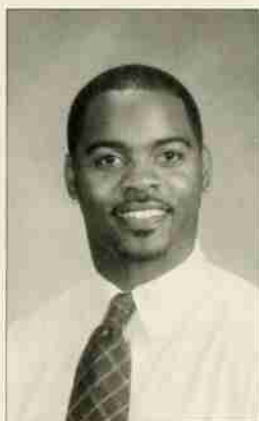


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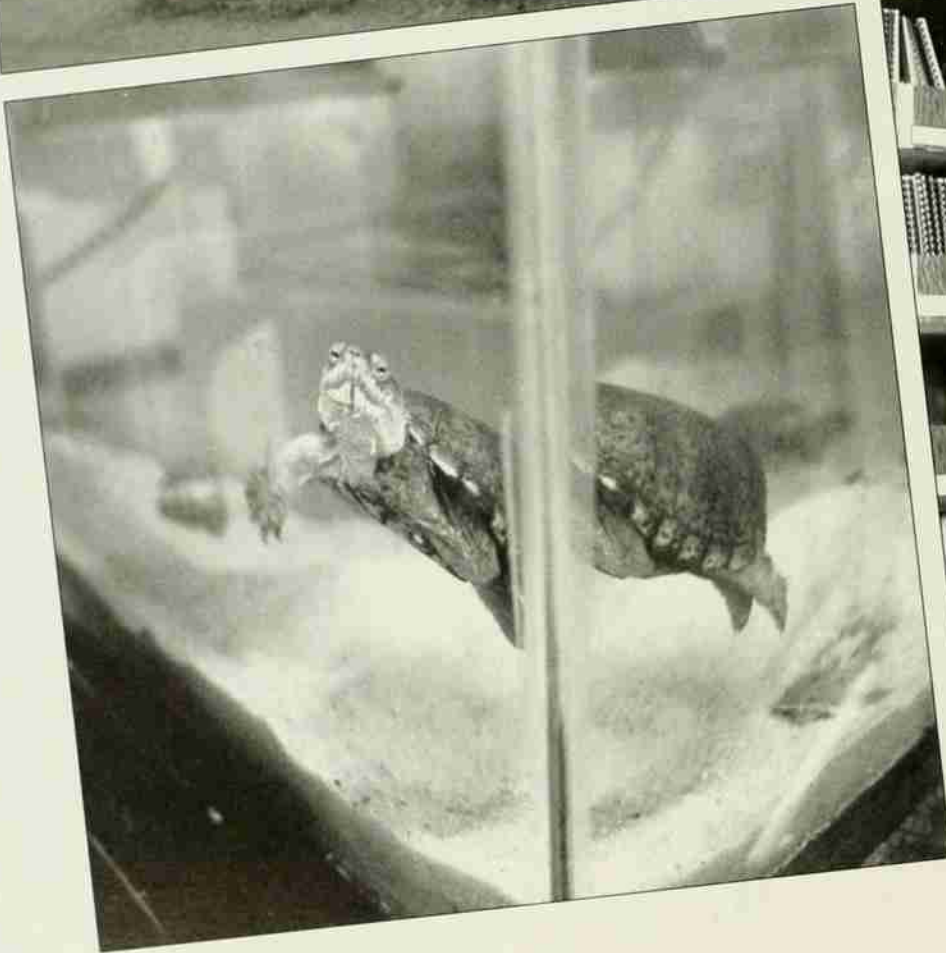
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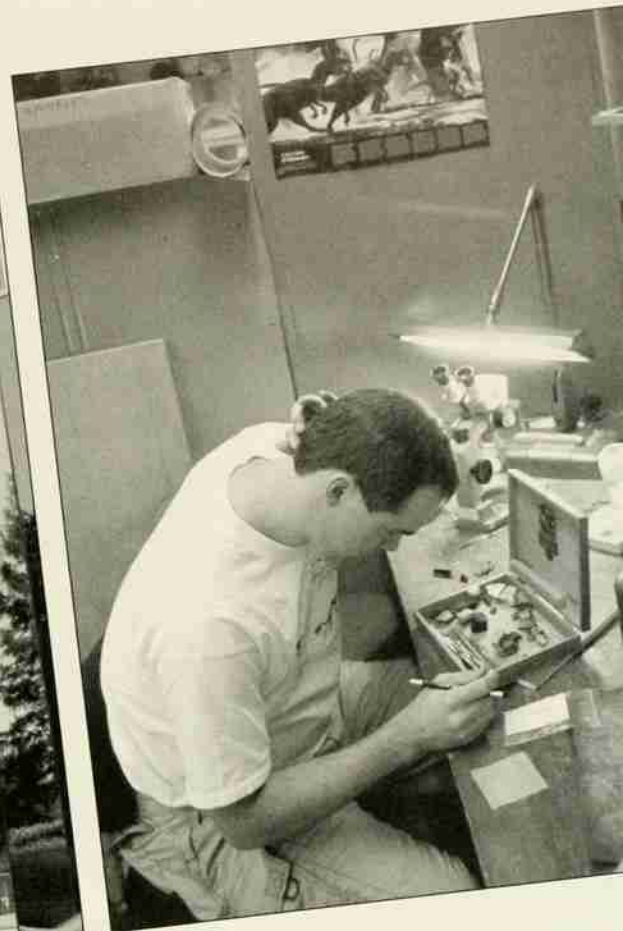
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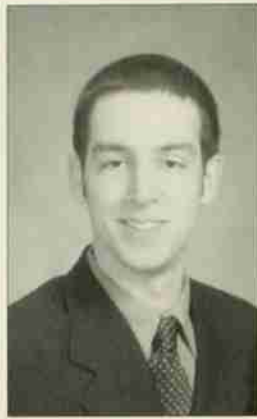
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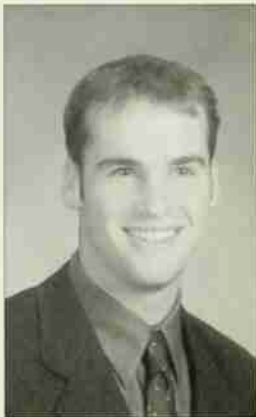
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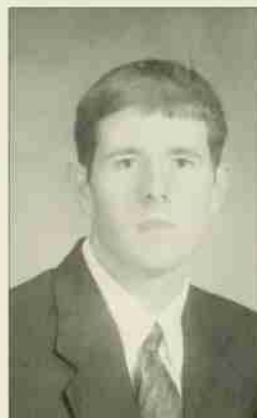
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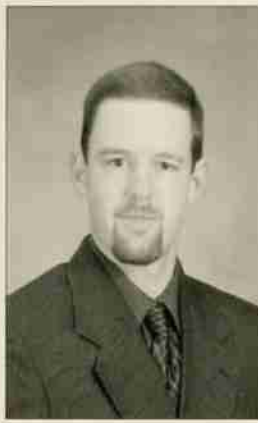


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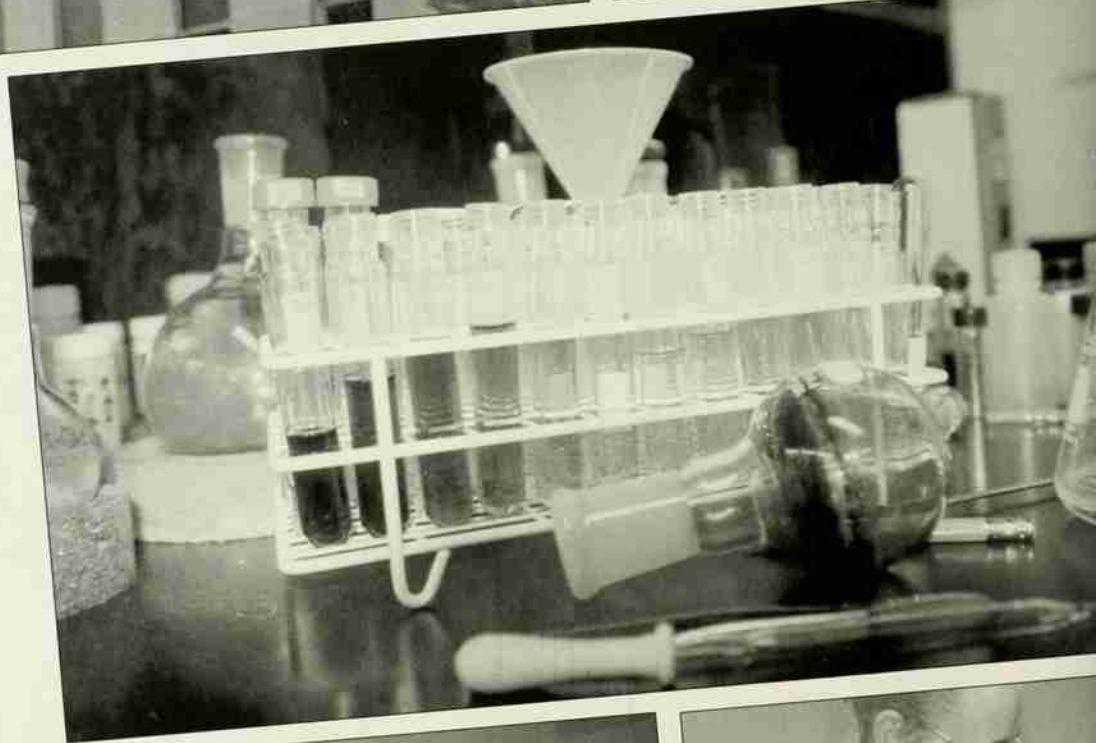
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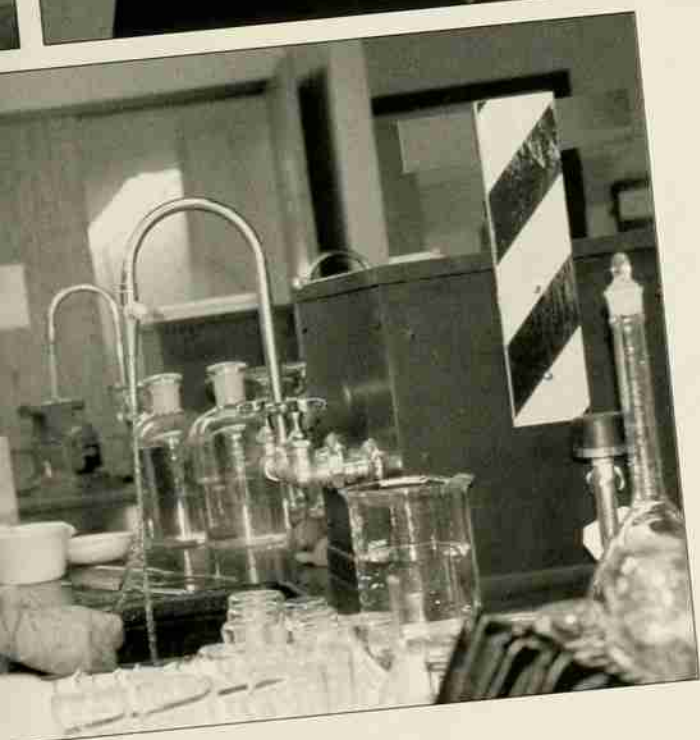
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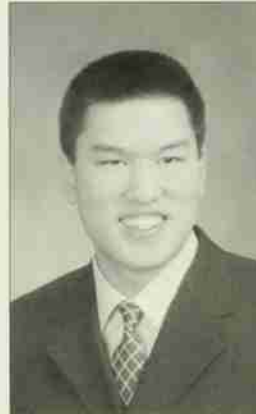


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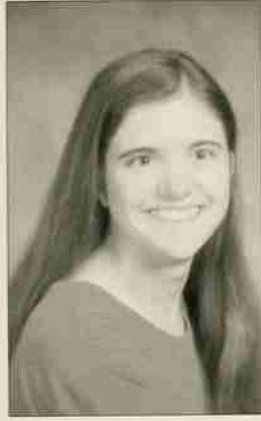


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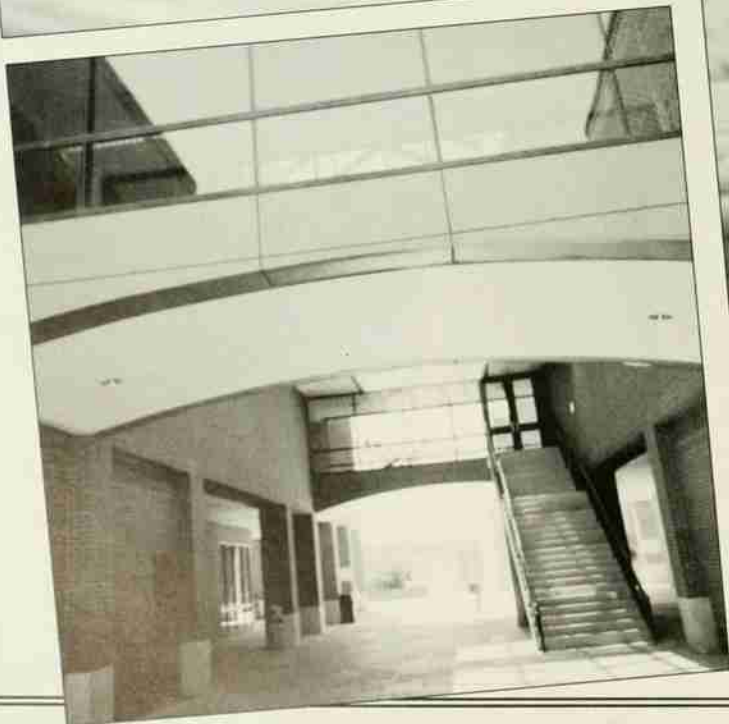
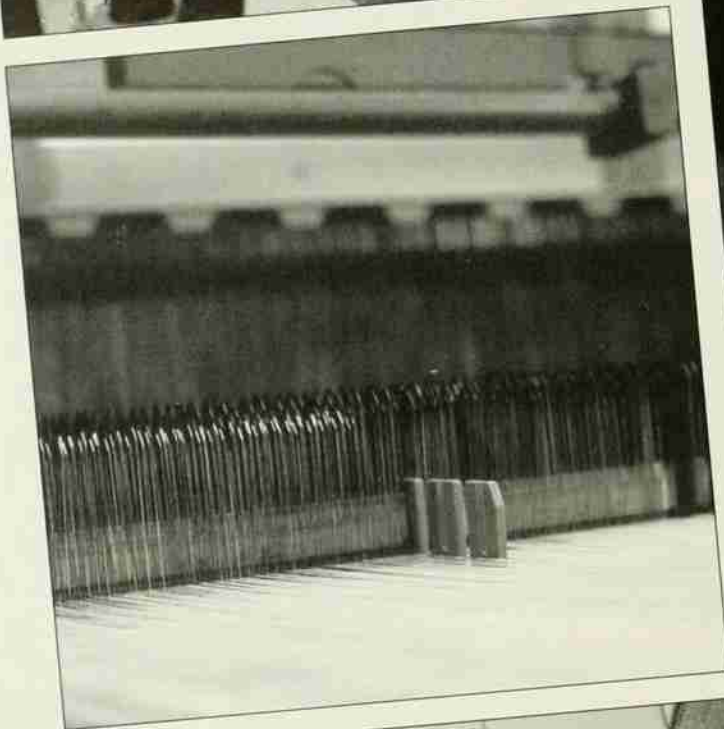
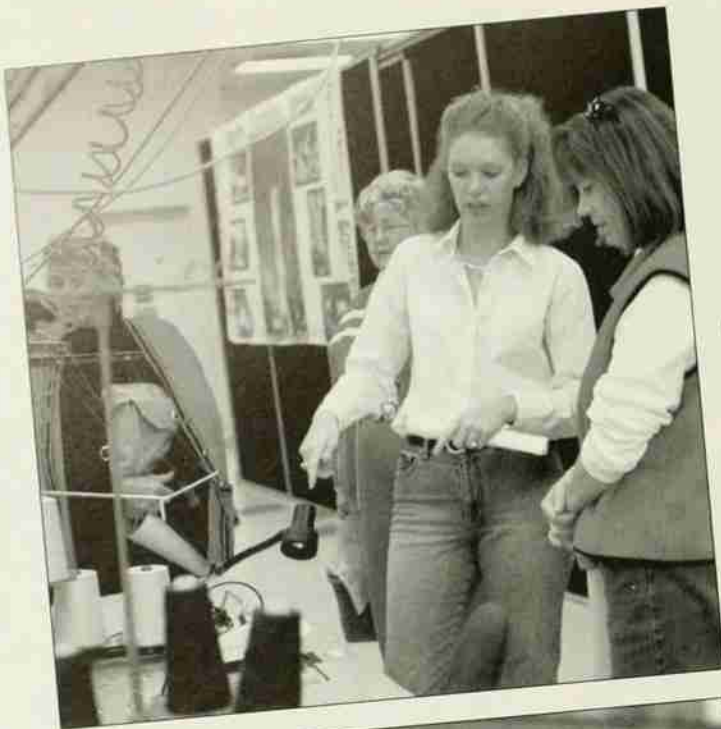
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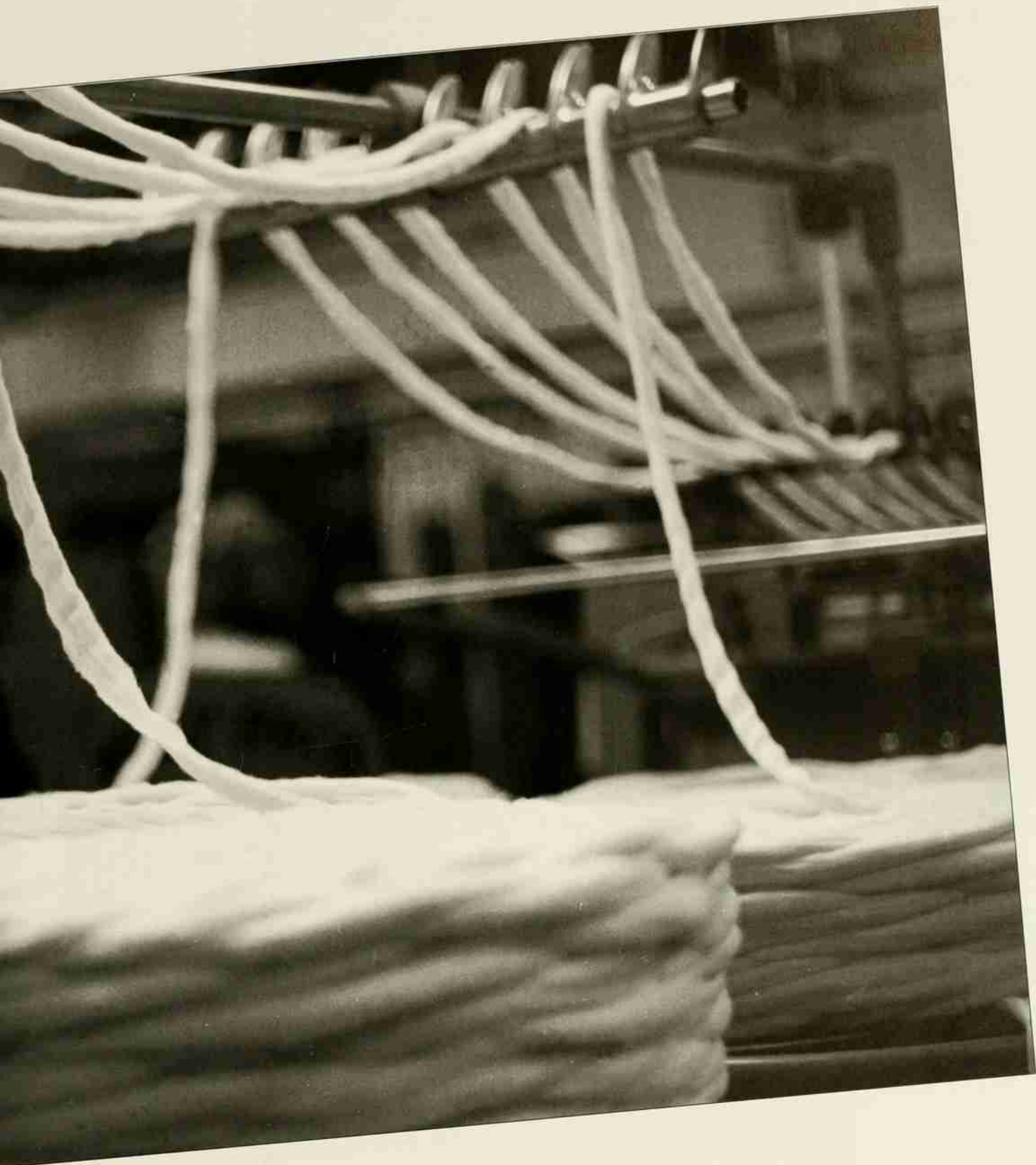
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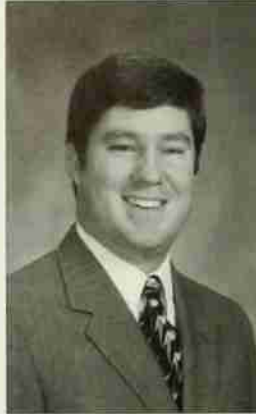
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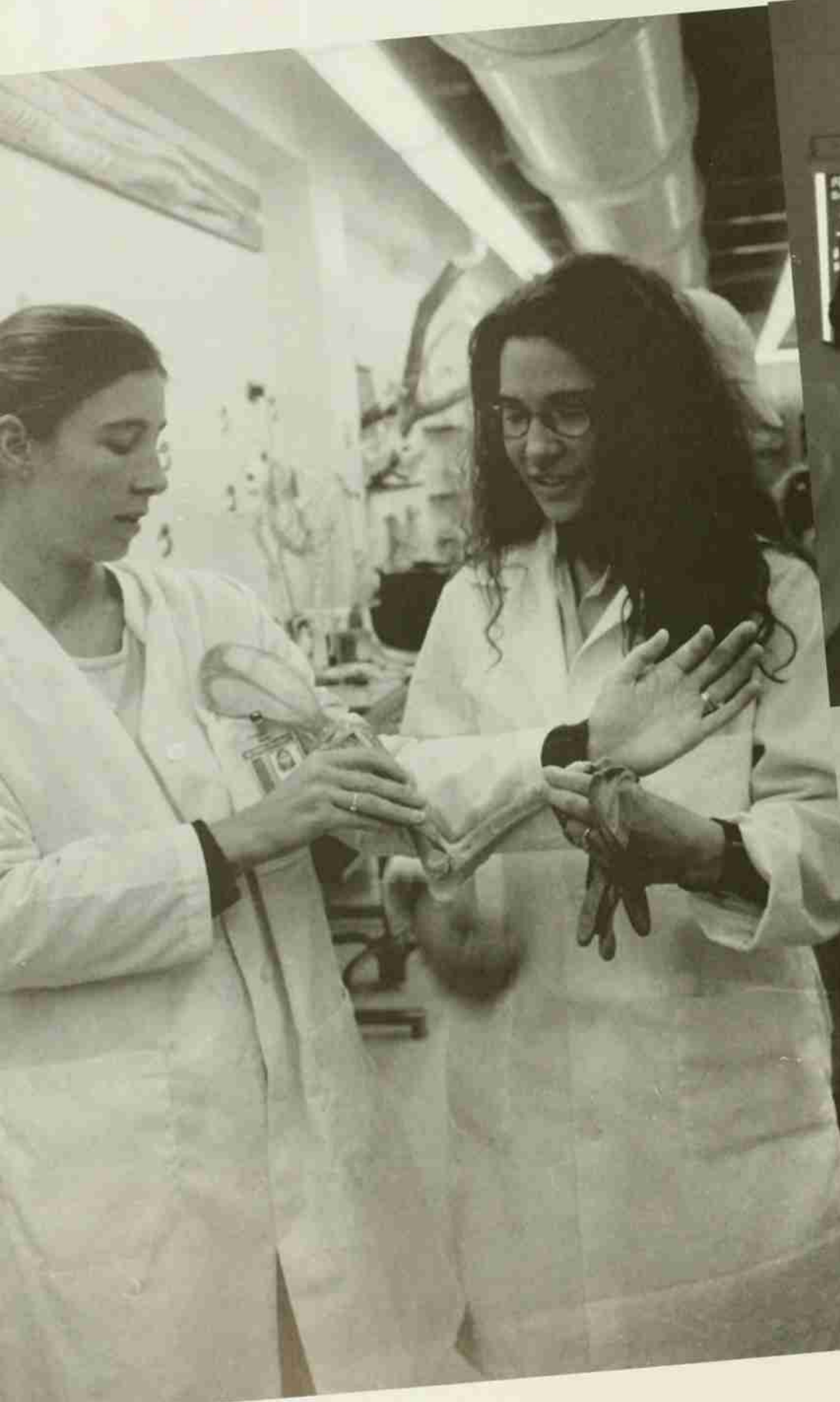
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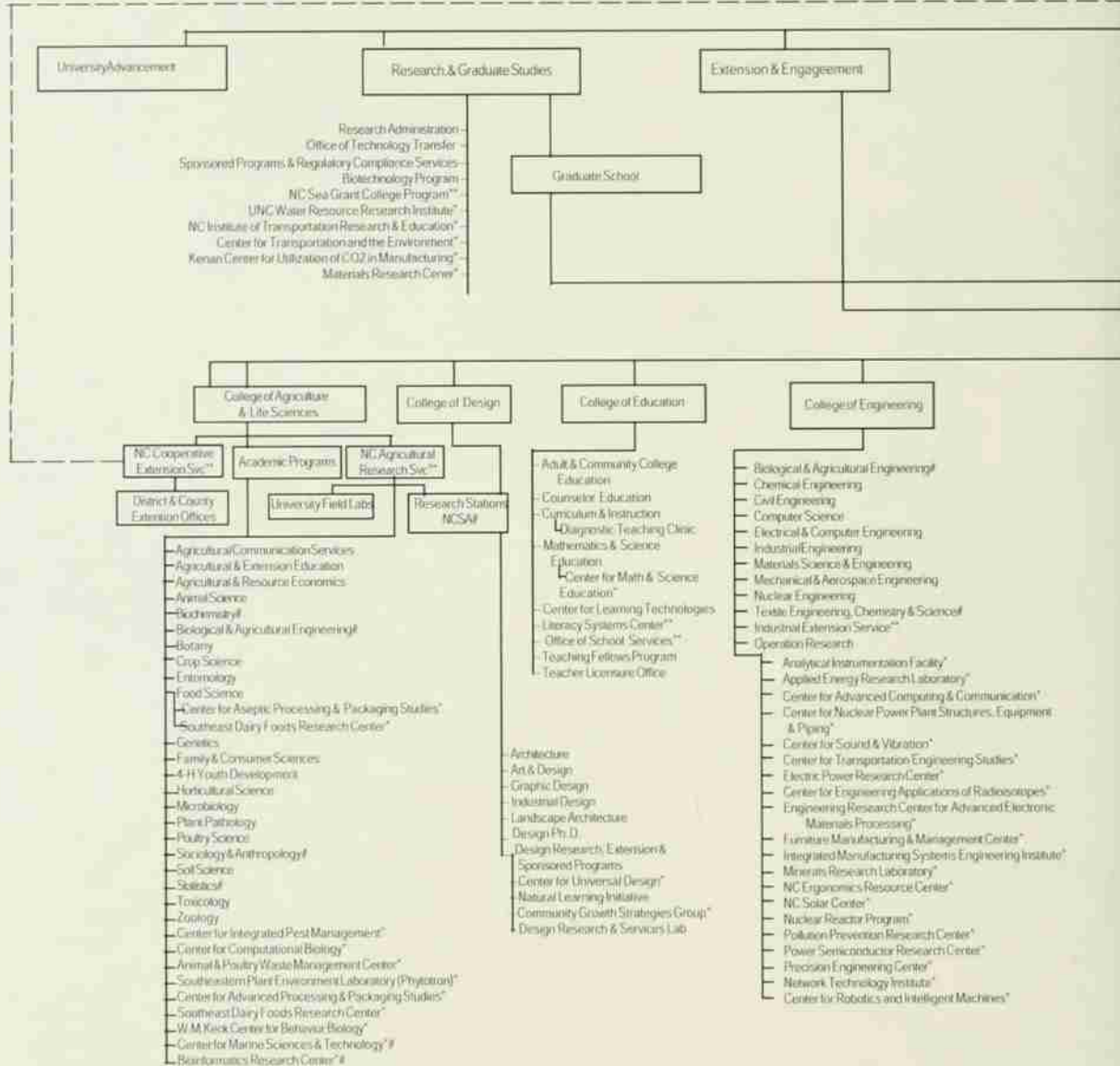


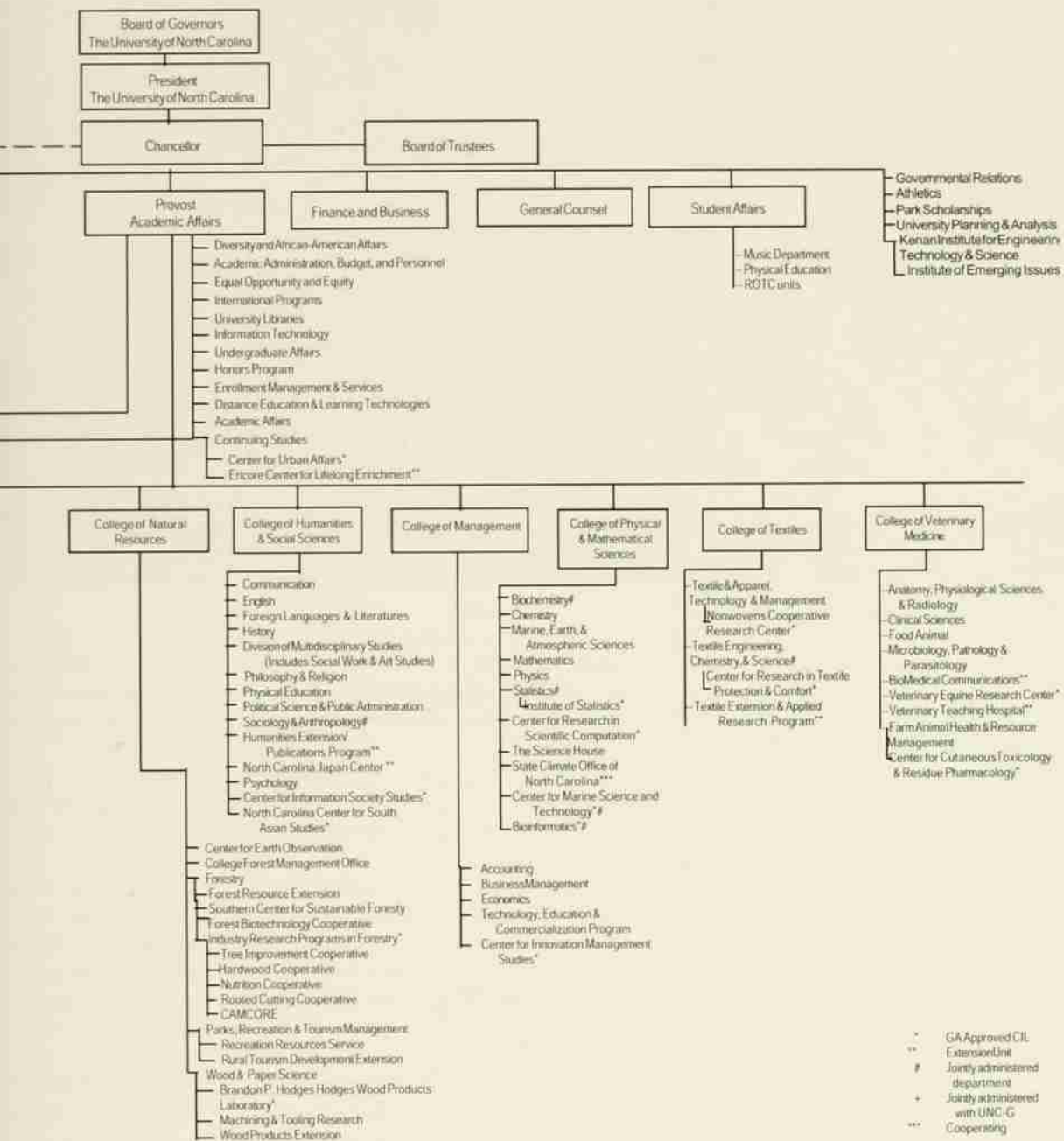
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Which does she prefer? She shrugs. "I don't know Wake County as well, so it's not home."

For many students, however, Wake County does become home.

Megan Hurley says, "Here there's more stuff to do, and I like it here better ... but it's hard to put my finger on why. I guess the problem with a small town is that everyone knows your business. Privacy is nice."

Danny Wise, a senior from Forsyth County, says, "Raleigh has a lot more to do — especially with the whole Triangle here, it's sort of entrenched in college life."

It's this "college life" that many find so appealing, even if their definitions of it differ. For some, it's the abundance of people the same age, and the chances to party and socialize with them. For others, like Jonathan Simpson, it's the academic environment. "I like the fact that in Raleigh there are other people with similar interests to my own," he says. "I think I like university towns in general; they just seem a bit more intellectual and interesting."

For many, coming to college opens doors that didn't even exist in their hometowns. Angela Barton says, "I love the mountains of North Carolina and hope they never change, but I can't see anything further for me there. Being at NC State makes me want to do more and go farther."

Thursall Winters adds, "I like it here. It's become home. Raleigh is my future — I want to stay here. There's a whole lot I haven't explored yet."

Yet there's something to the old saying, "Home is where the heart is." For most students — even those who vigorously tout Raleigh's merits over those of their hometown — talk of "home" makes their voices go dreamy and nostalgic.

Though she now considers Raleigh home, it is easy for Winters to find positive things to say about Carteret County.

"We lived on a marsh. I miss the sunsets and sunrises. It's hard to see them here, but at home every morning the sun would rise outside my bedroom window, and at dinnertime you could see it set through the kitchen window.

"And the breeze — there's no friggin' breeze in Raleigh. And the air — I miss the salt air. When I go back home now, the first thing that hits me is the smell of salt water. It's the smell of my childhood, really. It only lasts for a few seconds — if you have the windows down, you ruin it. I love going home at night when it's humid and the windows are rolled up with the stale Raleigh air still in the car. Then I get home and open the car door and breathe in." She smiles. "That's when I know I'm home."

Senior Kent Dezendorf grew up in Asheville, at the opposite end of the state. He has fond memories of Buncombe County: "I miss the air, and the temperature and the weather — but definitely, most of all, the green. I loved having the ability to look out into the woods and not see two of the same kind of tree."

"And I guess the thing that strikes me most is the lack of mountains in





Raleigh. I miss going up and down hills. And it's not normal to walk here — you'd have to walk a lot farther at home to get somewhere, but no one there minds. I'd walk two miles to my friend's house and not think about getting in a car."

Many yearn for one simple difference. For Jeremy Perry, it's the quiet — "I like to be outside and not hear the city," he says. "When I go home now, I appreciate it more than I did then."

For some it's more specific still. "I miss my family drastically," says Kaleb Redden. "And the small-town-ness of Morrisville. My house was in the center of everything, and my dad's office was next to it. Also, since he owned his own business, there was this barter system in effect. Everyone looks out for everyone — you know, you go get a hamburger and put it on your tab."

Mark Voelker, reflecting on Mitchell County, agrees. "The people there are really the salt of the earth. Yeah, some are kind of backwards, but you know what to expect with them. I think here I have a lot more to do. It's a plus, but also a minus. At home I had a lot less stress."

"At home, if you walk down the street and don't say 'hi' or smile, people wonder what's wrong with you," says Angela Barton.

"Yancey County is tiny — we had three stoplights, and one didn't work during school hours. But for what my county had — one of the poorest school systems in the state — I don't know if I could have gotten a better start anywhere but there."

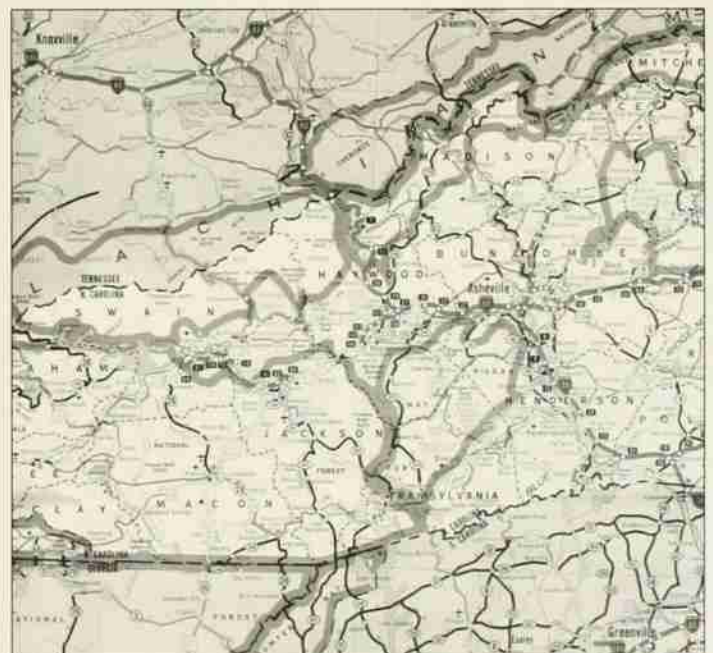
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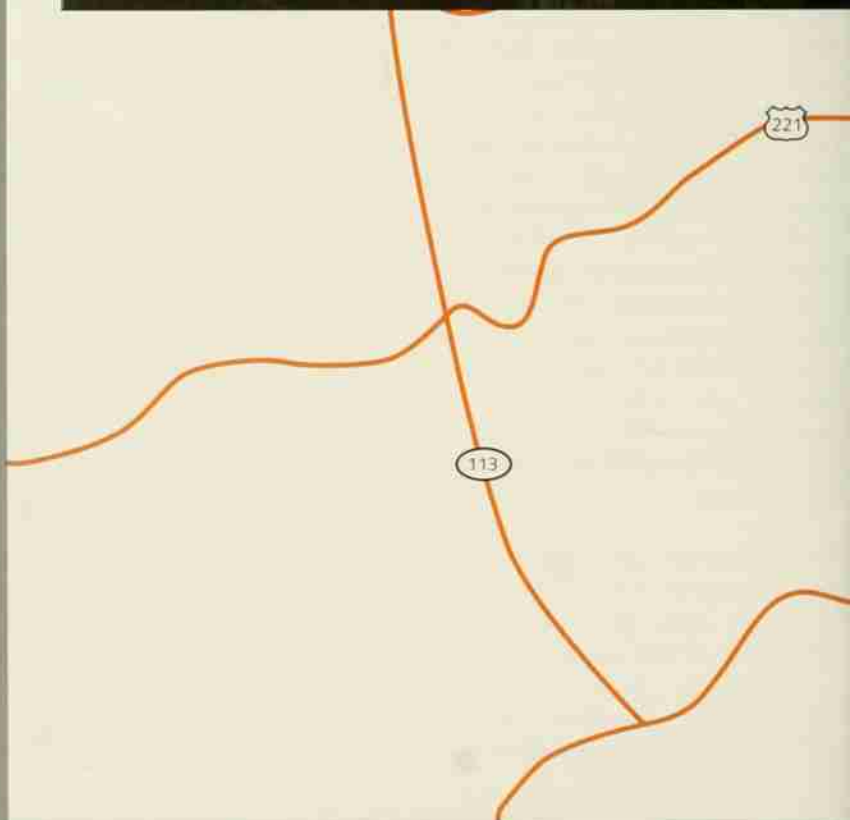
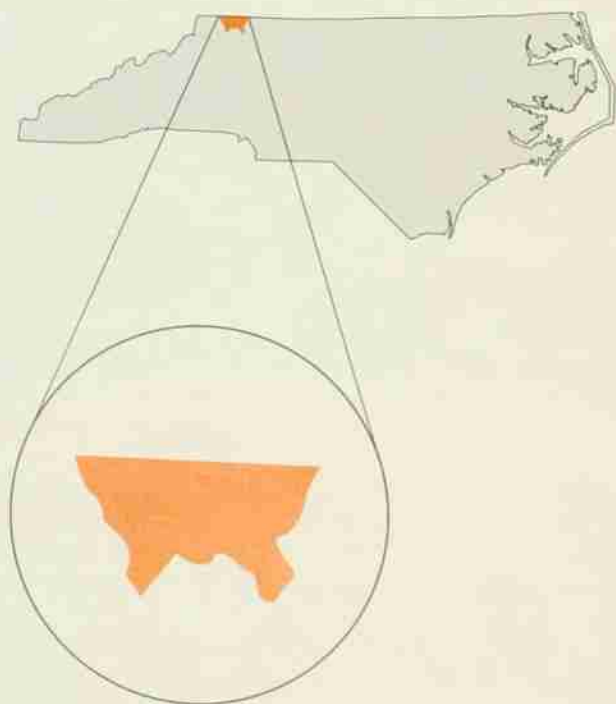


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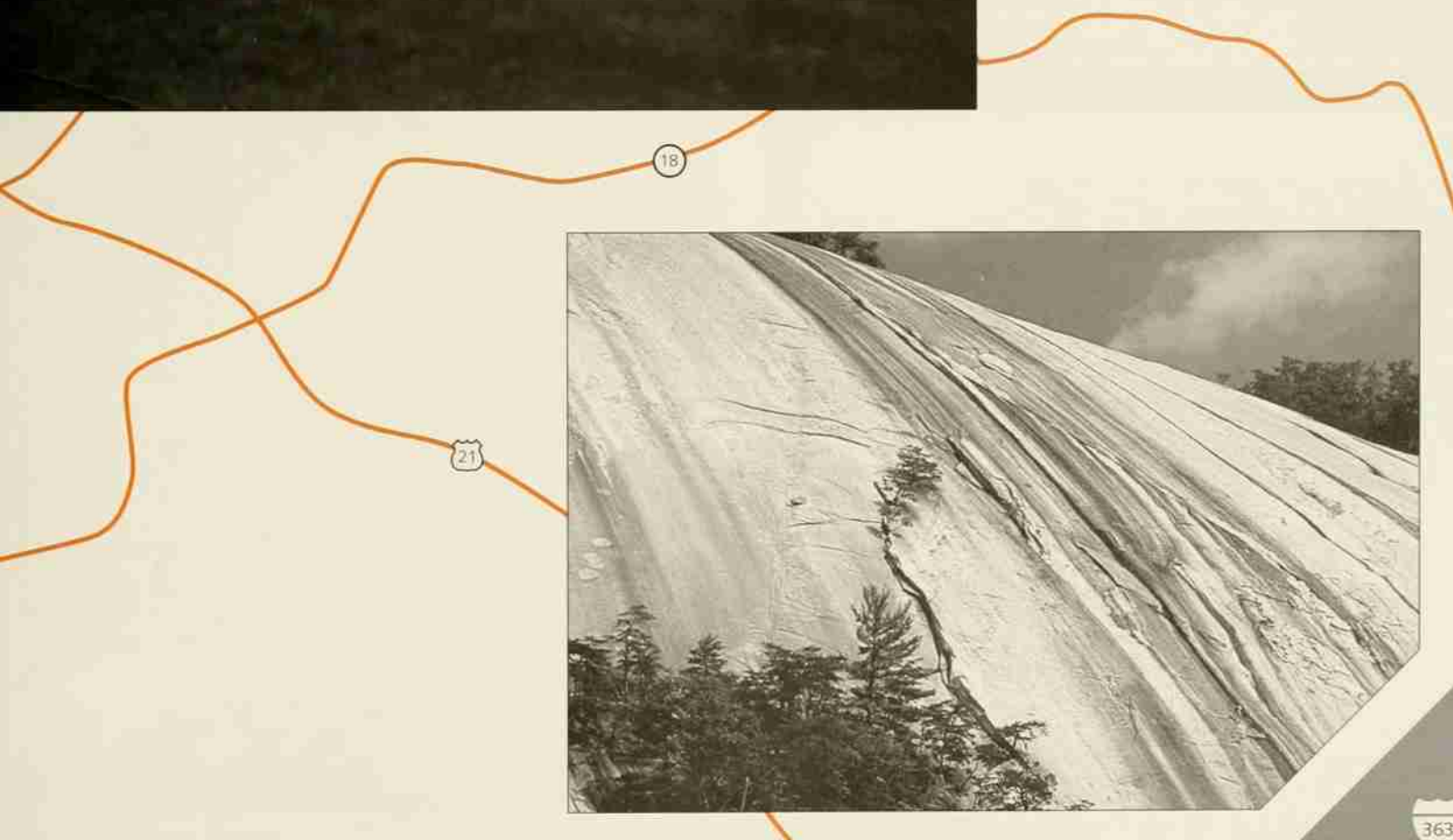


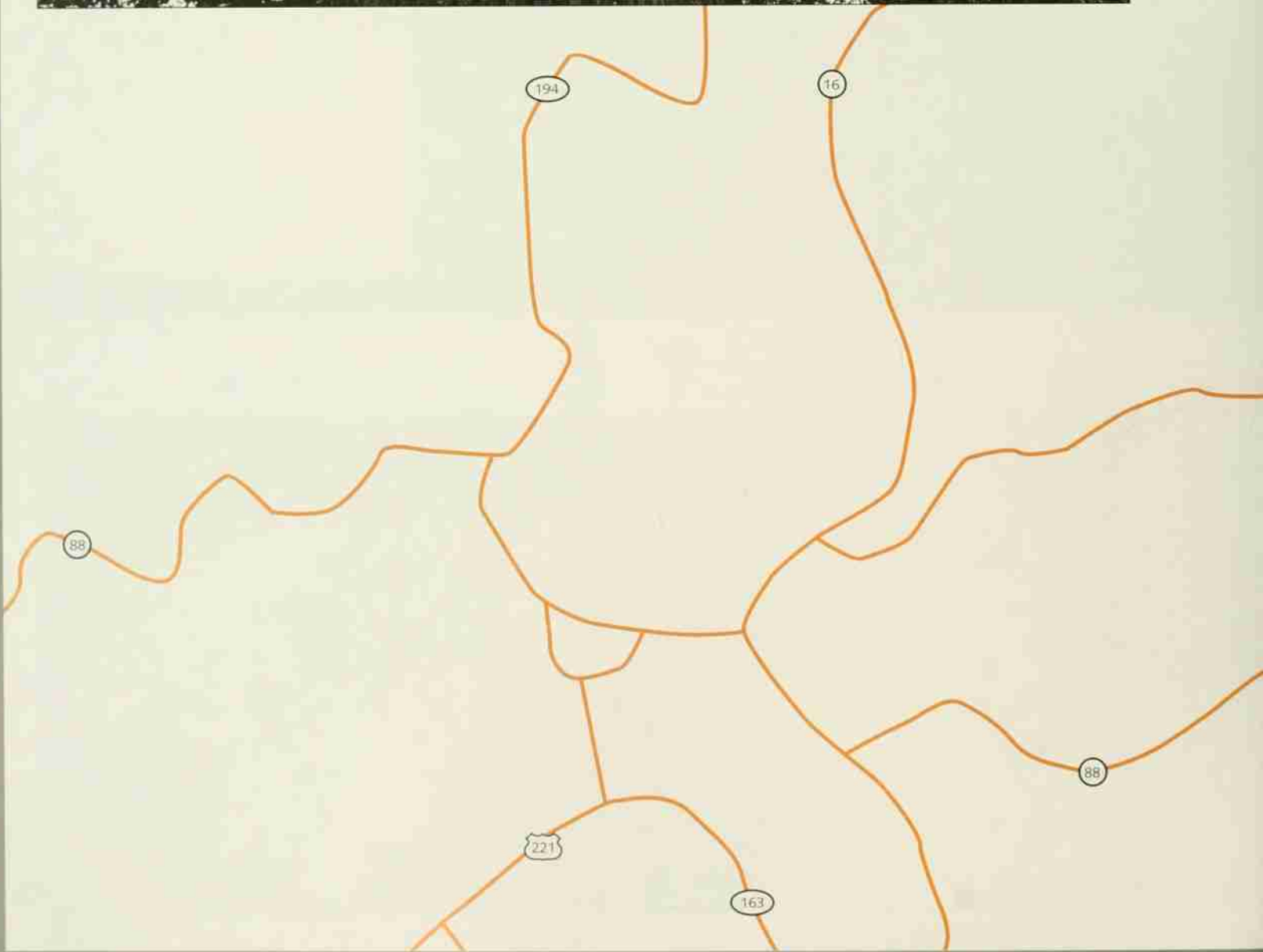
COUNTY SEAT: Sparta  
ELEVATION: 2,939 ft. above sea level  
LARGEST CITY: Sparta  
TOTAL AREA: 234.38 sq. miles  
POPULATION (2000): 10,677  
POPULATION RANK: 93 out of 100 counties  
POPULATION DENSITY: 45.5 per sq. mile

A corruption of the Indian word meaning "a fine stream" gave this county its name. Small and in the far northwestern portion of the state, it was referred to as the 'Lost Province' due to its early isolation. Natives there prefer to think of it now as the 'Unspoiled Province' because of its scenic beauty and unspoiled nature. Most notable activities involve the outdoors, and there are several places to rent canoes or set up camp. Several state parks reside on its land, including Stone Mountain, New River State Park and the Blue Ridge Parkway. Several interesting annual festivals occur, such as the Grapestompers Wine Tasting, the Choose and Cut Christmas Tree Day, and the Alleghany County Fiddler's Convention.









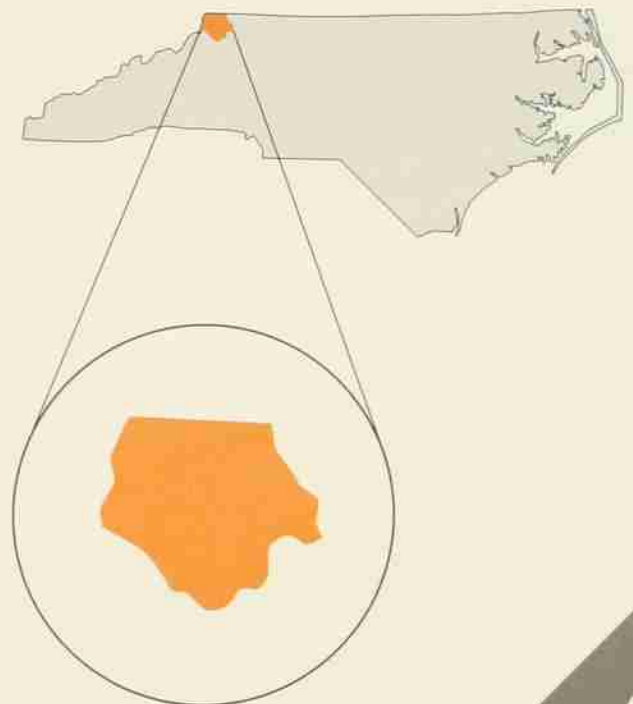
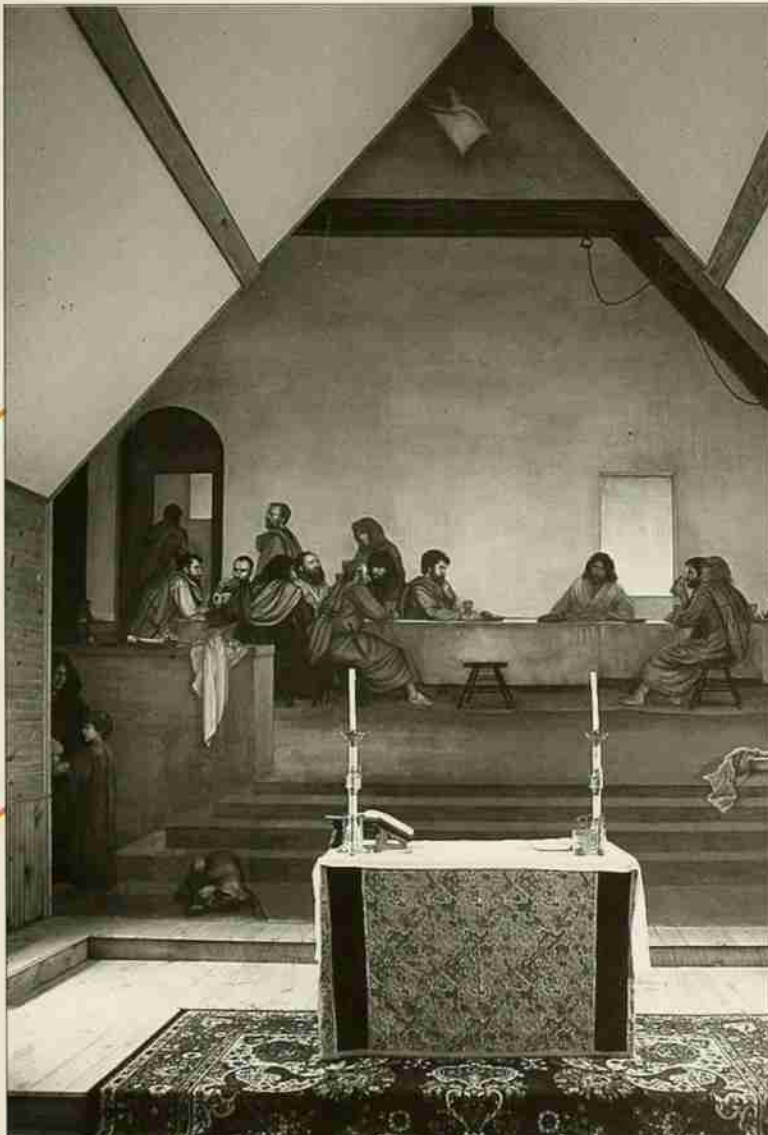


# ASHE COUNTY



COUNTY SEAT: Jefferson  
ELEVATION: 2,900 ft. above sea level  
LARGEST CITY: Jefferson  
TOTAL AREA: 427.95 sq. miles  
POPULATION (2000): 24,384  
POPULATION RANK: 74 out of 100 counties  
POPULATION DENSITY: 57.22 per sq. mile

Named for Samuel Ashe, a Revolutionary patriot, superior court judge, and Governor of the State, Ashe County is in the highlands of North Carolina. One of its many claims to fame is the Ashe County Cheese Company, the only cheese manufacturer in the Carolinas. Those passing through might notice a wealth of apple tree farms. The region is excellent for growing apples and well known for the local Apple Cider. Like most mountain counties, Ashe County is also a hotbed for the arts and crafts. Arts and crafts galleries in the area showcase the pottery, woodwork, and painting of many of the county and surrounding county's local artisan. Many claim Ashe County is home to the most peaceful landscape in all of Appalachia.



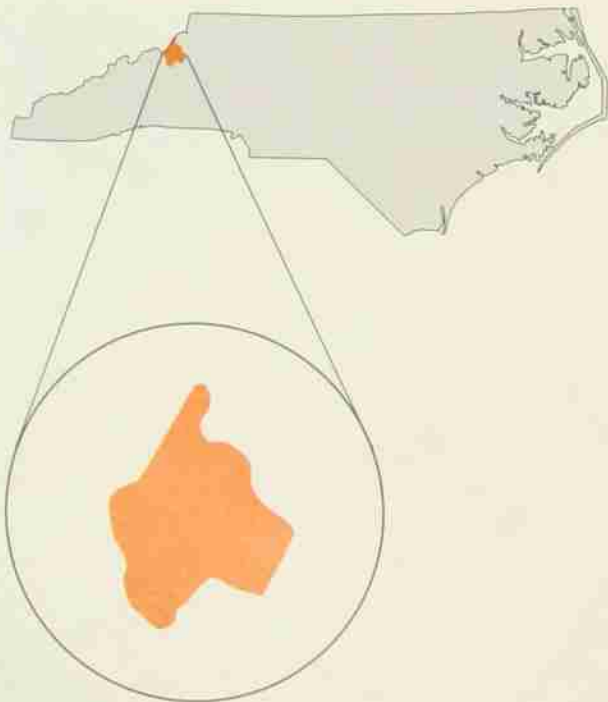
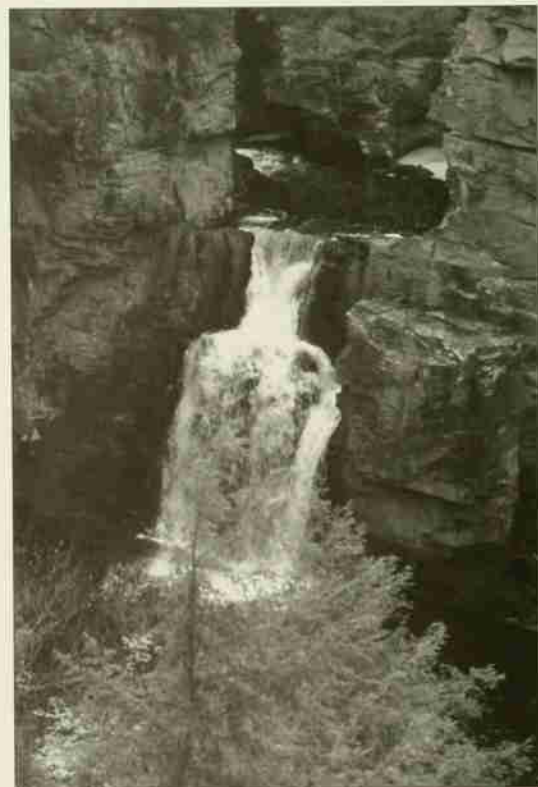


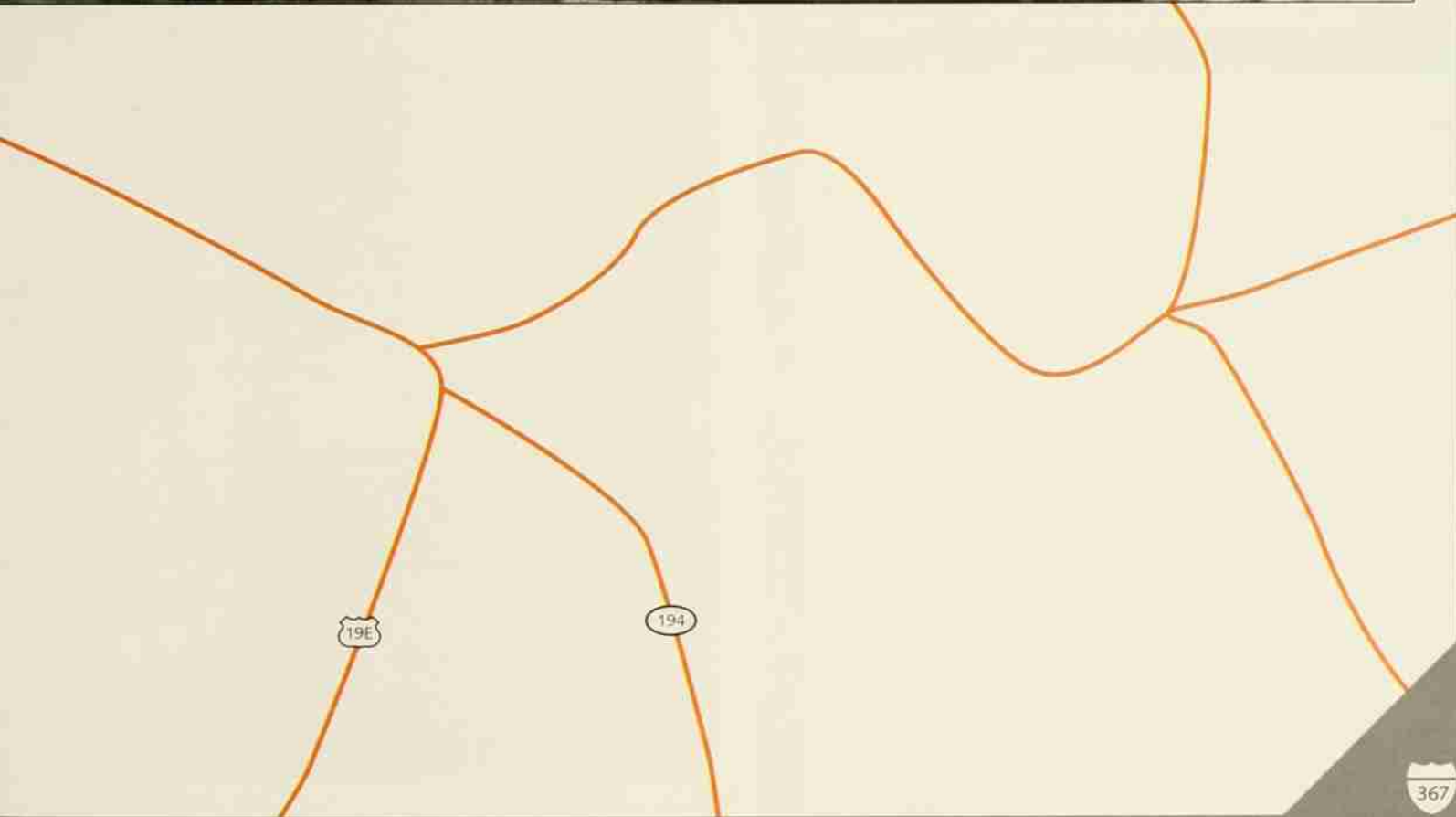
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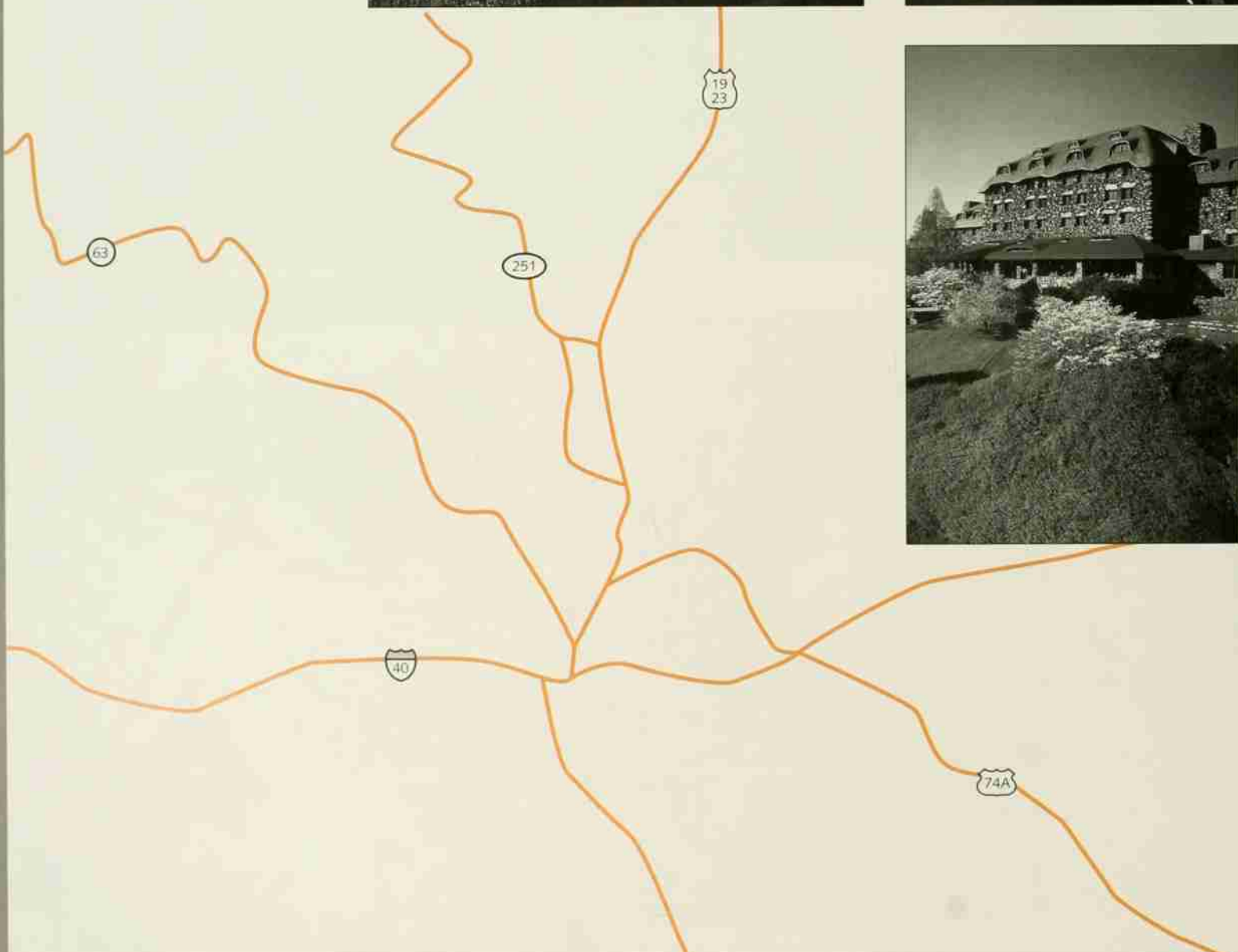
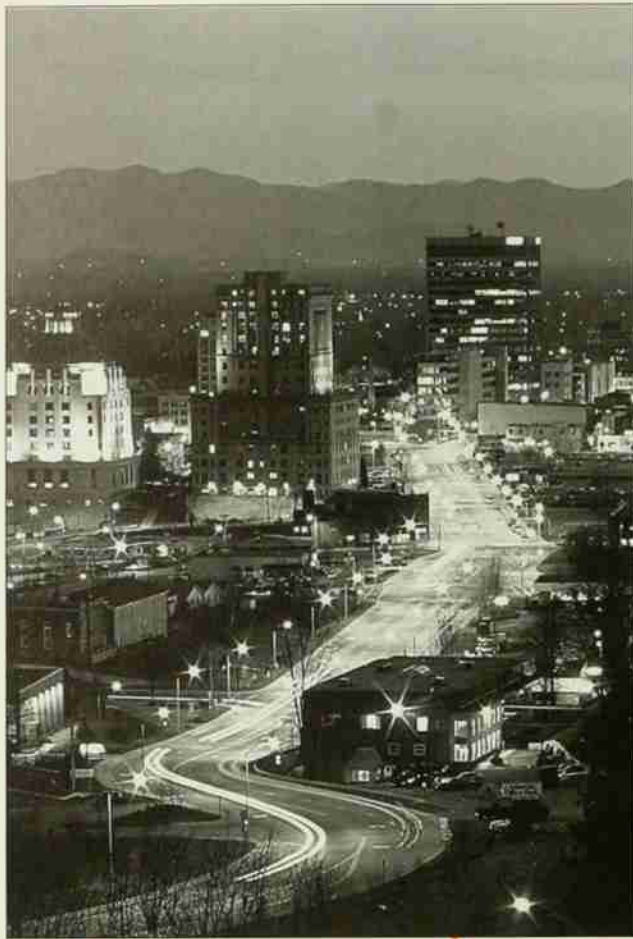


COUNTY SEAT: Newland  
ELEVATION: 3,589 ft. above sea level  
LARGEST CITY: Newland  
TOTAL AREA: 247.43 sq. miles  
POPULATION (2000): 17,167  
POPULATION RANK: 86 out of 100 counties  
POPULATION DENSITY: 69.5 per sq. mile

Avery includes such unusually named towns as Minneapolis, Montezuma, Grandfather and Frank. Named to honor Colonel Waightstill Avery, a soldier of the Revolution and Attorney General of North Carolina, it borders Tennessee. There are eight skiing resorts in the area, including Beech Mountain and Sugar Mountain. Several popular mountain attractions are nearby, such as Linville Caverns, Grandfather Mountain and North Carolina's first theme park, Tweetsie Railroad (complete with can-can girls and a locomotive). Banner Elk, the hub of Avery County's energetic resort region, is home to something else - the annual Woolly Worm Festival and the annual Woolly Worm Woad Wace.











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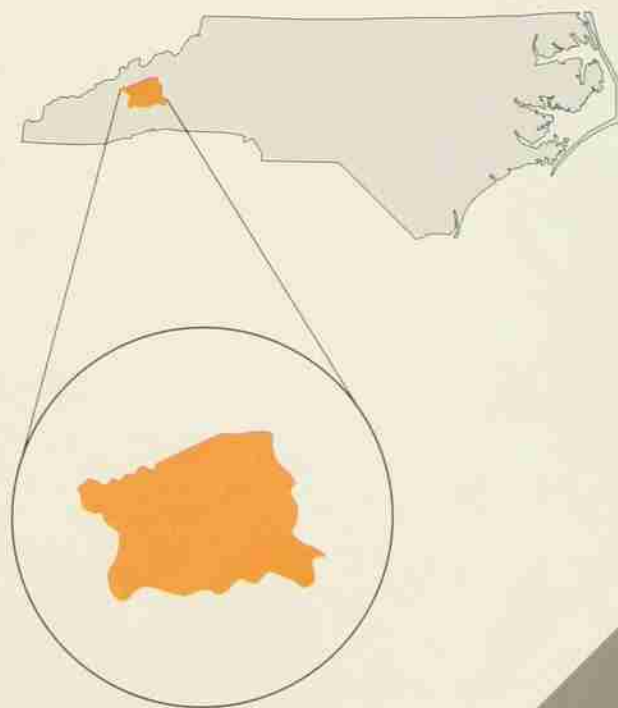


COUNTY SEAT: Asheville  
ELEVATION: 2,216 ft. above sea level  
LARGEST CITY: Asheville  
TOTAL AREA: 659.66 sq. miles  
POPULATION (2000): 206,330  
POPULATION RANK: 7 OUT of 100 COUNTIES  
POPULATION DENSITY: 314.53 per sq. mile

Buncombe is home to many villes: Asheville, Weaverville and Barnardsville to name a few. It's also the site of the largest private home in America, the Biltmore House, built by George Biltmore in 1890. The biggest tourism attraction, however, is the area itself. Sitting upon the Blue Ridge parkway, it receives many visitors during the fall color change. The area was also made famous in the writings of Thomas Wolfe.

"Buncombe County is big, but big in the way that we'd get two weeks every winter for snow days. Not because it snowed for two weeks, but because there was always snow somewhere and if one bus couldn't run, none of them did..."

It's eclectic, a random hodge-podge, where back country mix with people who want to be more city-like. The population is sparse-but I like it that way." -Kent Dezendorf, senior, Industrial Engineering and Multidisciplinary Studies.

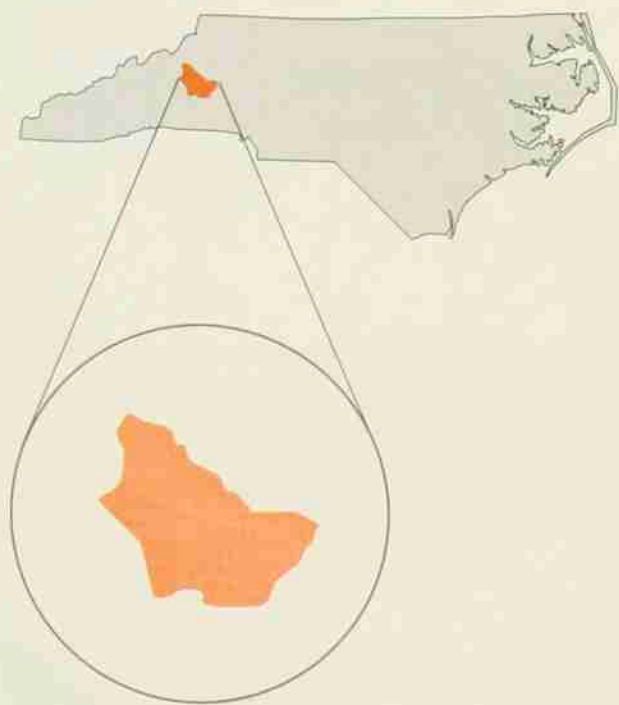
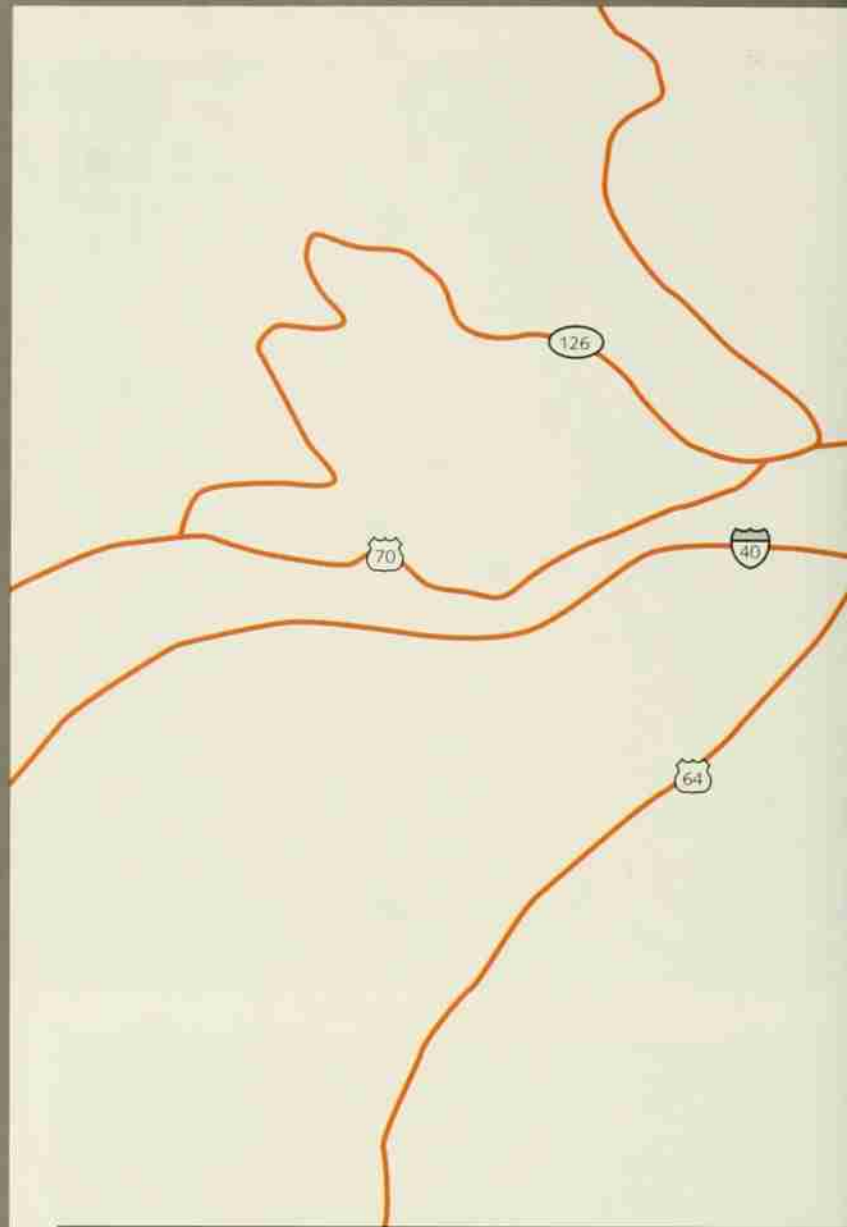


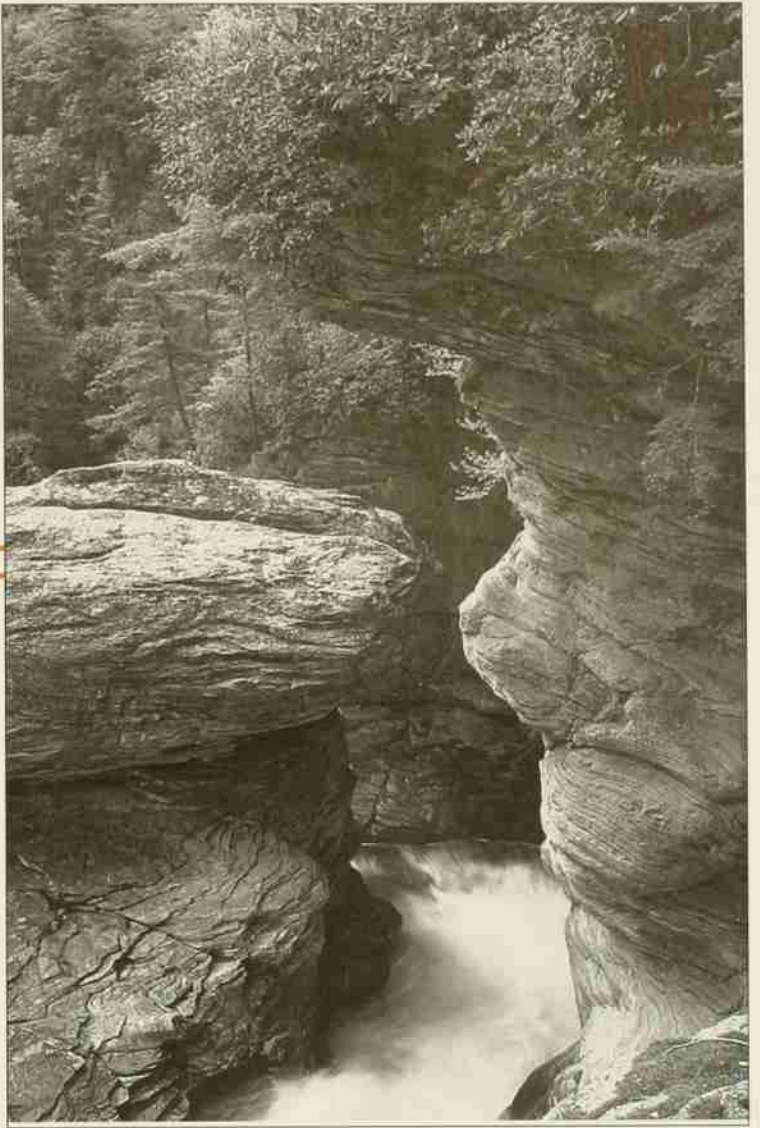
# BURKE COUNTY



COUNTY SEAT: Morganton  
ELEVATION: 1,182 ft. above sea level  
LARGEST CITY: Morganton  
TOTAL AREA: 513.1 sq. miles  
POPULATION (2000): 89,148  
POPULATION RANK: 29 out of 100 counties  
POPULATION DENSITY: 175.93 per sq. mile

Named for a former governor, Dr. Thomas Burke, the county is home to some of the most beautiful mountains of North Carolina. One of its attractions is a phenomenon known as the Brown Mountain lights, mysterious twinkling lights visible near Morganton. It's also home of Linville Caverns and Grandfather Mountain. The town of Little Switzerland is home to North Carolina's top mining attraction, Emerald Village and Mining museum.









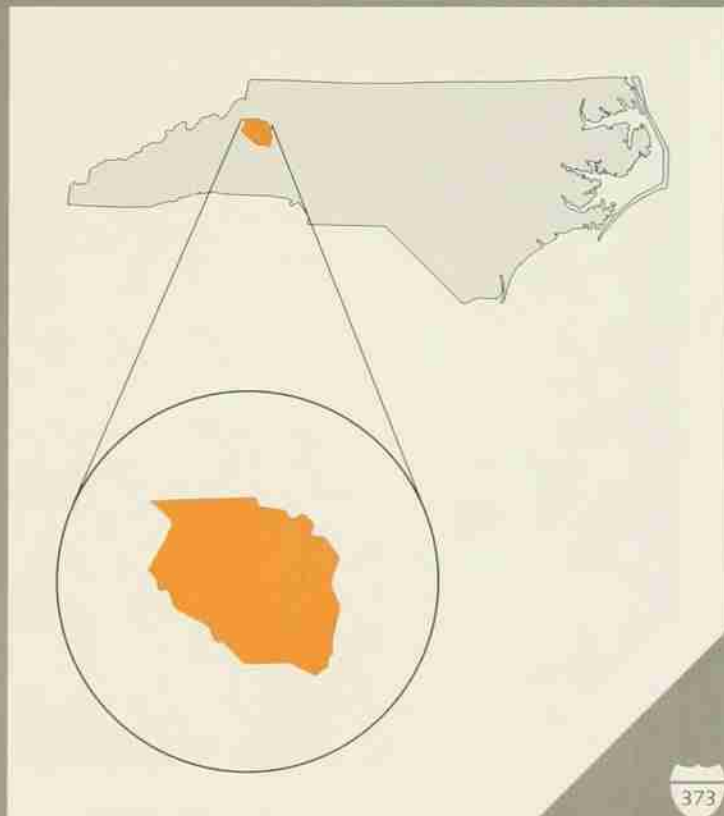


# CALDWELL COUNTY



COUNTY SEAT: Lenoir  
ELEVATION: 1,482 ft. above sea level  
LARGEST CITY: Lenoir  
TOTAL AREA: 474.64 sq. miles  
POPULATION (2000): 77,415  
POPULATION RANK: 31 out of 100 counties  
POPULATION DENSITY: 164.15 per sq. mile

Home to Lenoir, Blowing Rock and Granite Falls, Caldwell County is in the northwest foothills of North Carolina and is criss-crossed by the Yadkins, Johnson, and Catawba rivers. It is named for Joseph Caldwell, the first president of the University of North Carolina system. With Tuttle Educational State Forest, T.H. Broyhill Walking Park, Wilson Creek area and Windmill Park, there are many outdoor activities year-round. The area is a major furniture producer and a good place to go for discount furniture.

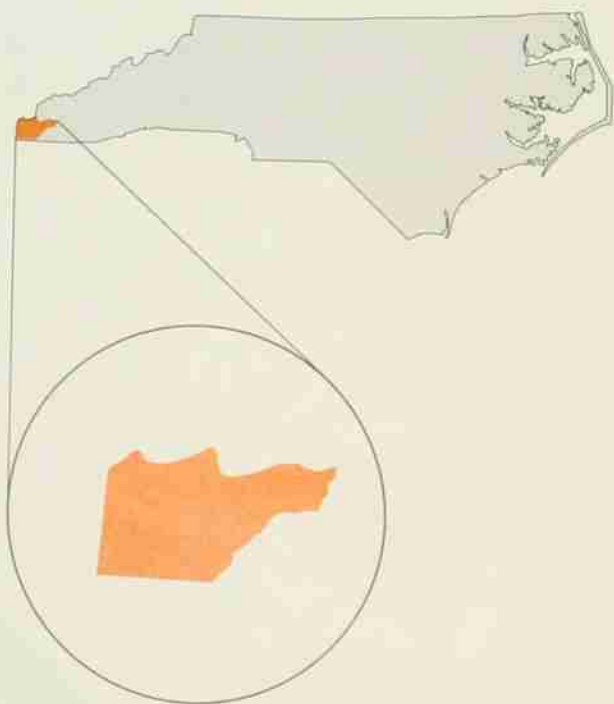
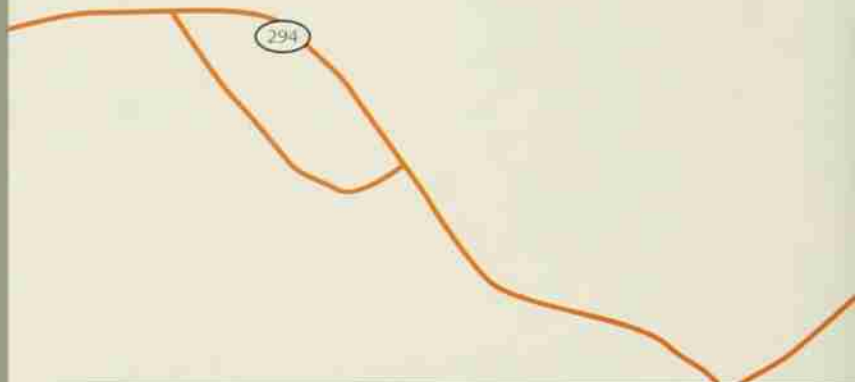


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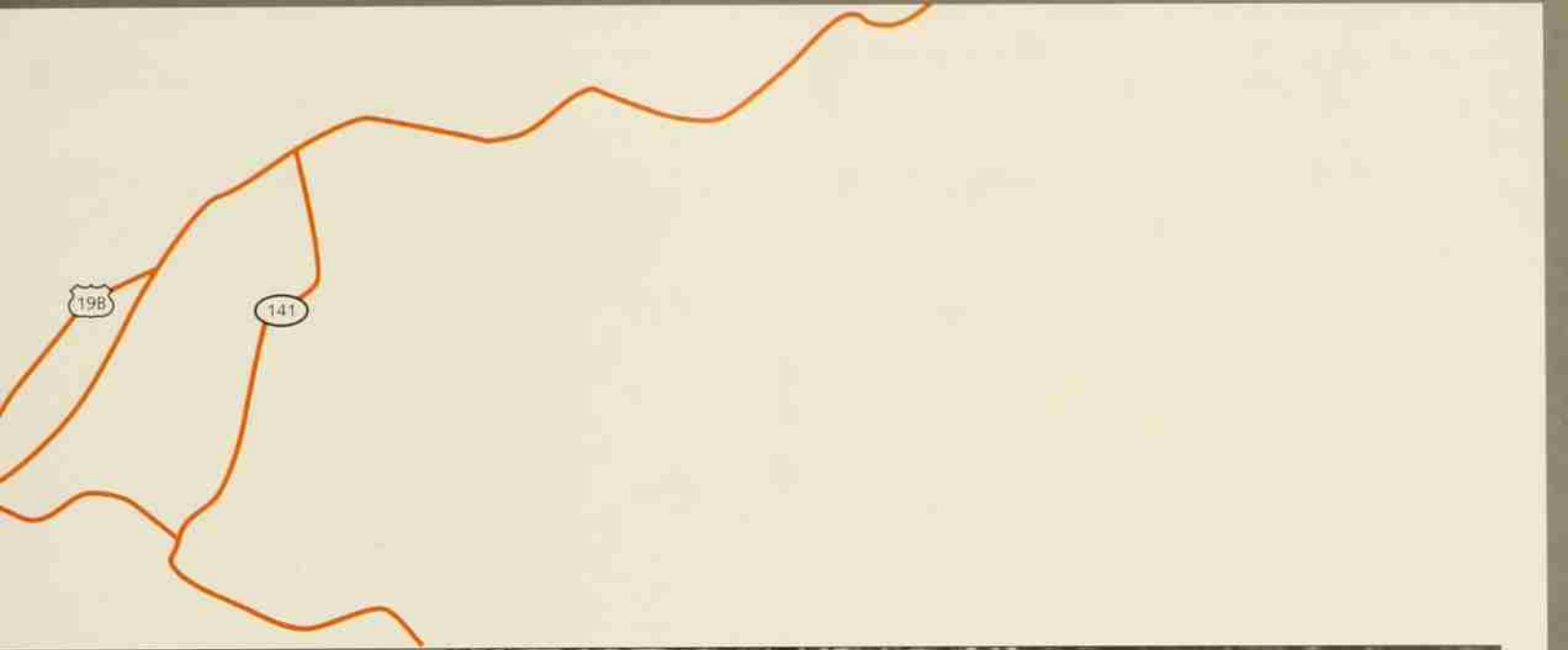


COUNTY SEAT: Murphy  
ELEVATION: 1,535 ft. above sea level  
LARGEST CITY: Murphy  
TOTAL AREA: 466.96 sq. miles  
POPULATION (2000): 24,298  
POPULATION RANK: 75 out of 100 counties  
POPULATION DENSITY: 51.38 per sq. mile

Located in the westernmost tip of North Carolina, Cherokee County is named for the Cherokee Nation that was removed from the area. With its two largest towns accounting for roughly 3,000 people, it is safe to say that Cherokee County is a rural area with a quiet small-town atmosphere. The county is surrounded by the Nantahala Forest and is home to many scenic backdrops and trails for biking & hiking. Catch the Scottish Games in September or ring in the New Year with a Miss Possum contest and bluegrass music at the Possum Drop in Brasstown.







Clay County  
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In Memory Of  
Dr. John Killian



# CLAY COUNTY



COUNTY SEAT: Hayesville

ELEVATION: 1,893 ft. above sea level

LARGEST CITY: Hayesville

TOTAL AREA: 220.81 sq. miles

POPULATION (2000): 8,775

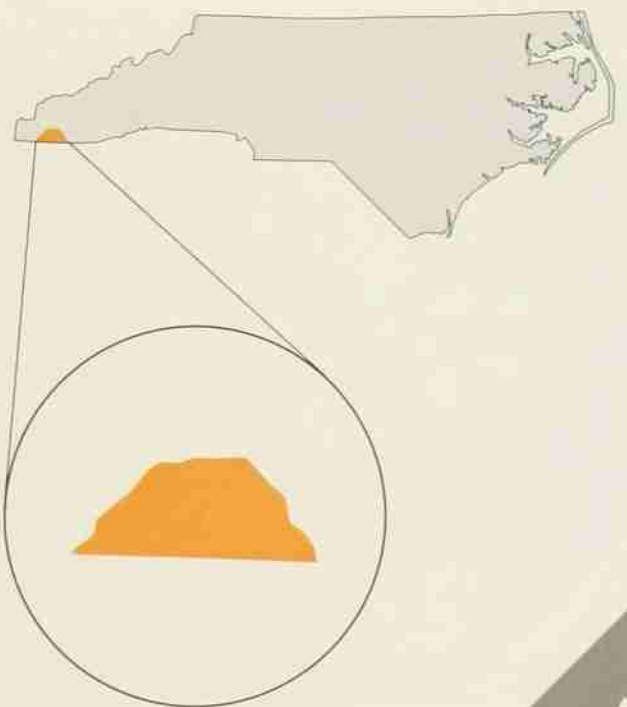
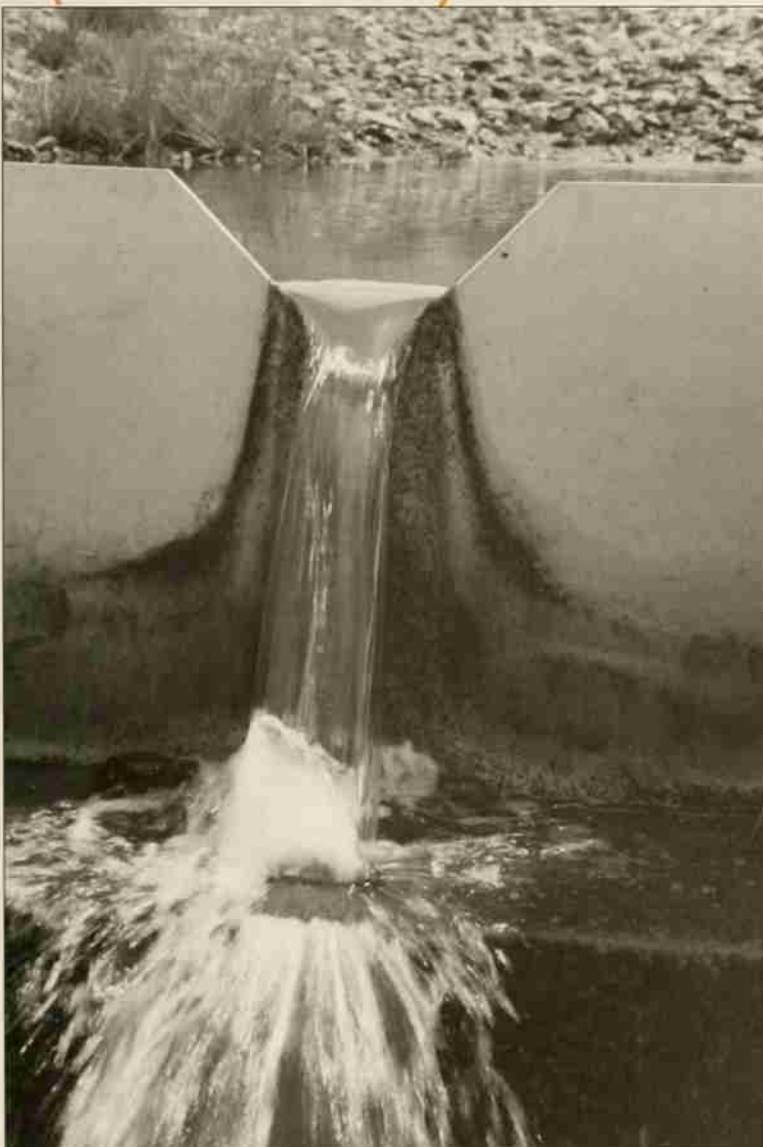
POPULATION RANK: 96 OUT OF 100 COUNTIES

POPULATION DENSITY: 40.87 per sq. mile

Clay was formed in 1861 from Cherokee. It is named in honor of Henry Clay, and citizens who live in the cities of Brasstown, Hayesville, and Warne call the county home. Some of the most exciting whitewater rafting trails in North Carolina are hidden in the majestic scenery of Clay County. Every year residents join together to listen to some old-time music at the Festival on the Square. One of the most exciting events in North Carolina is held in Clay County: the Annual Rodeo. A time honored event, the Rodeo is considered the truest form of entertainment by many in Clay County.

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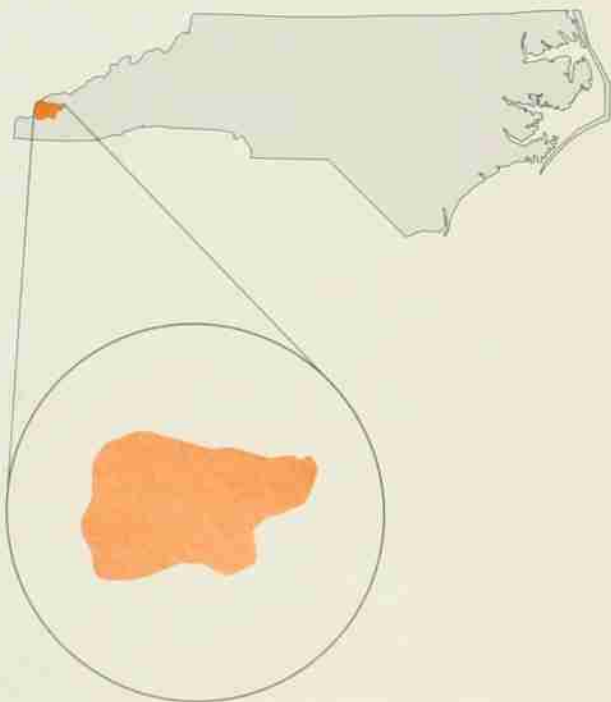
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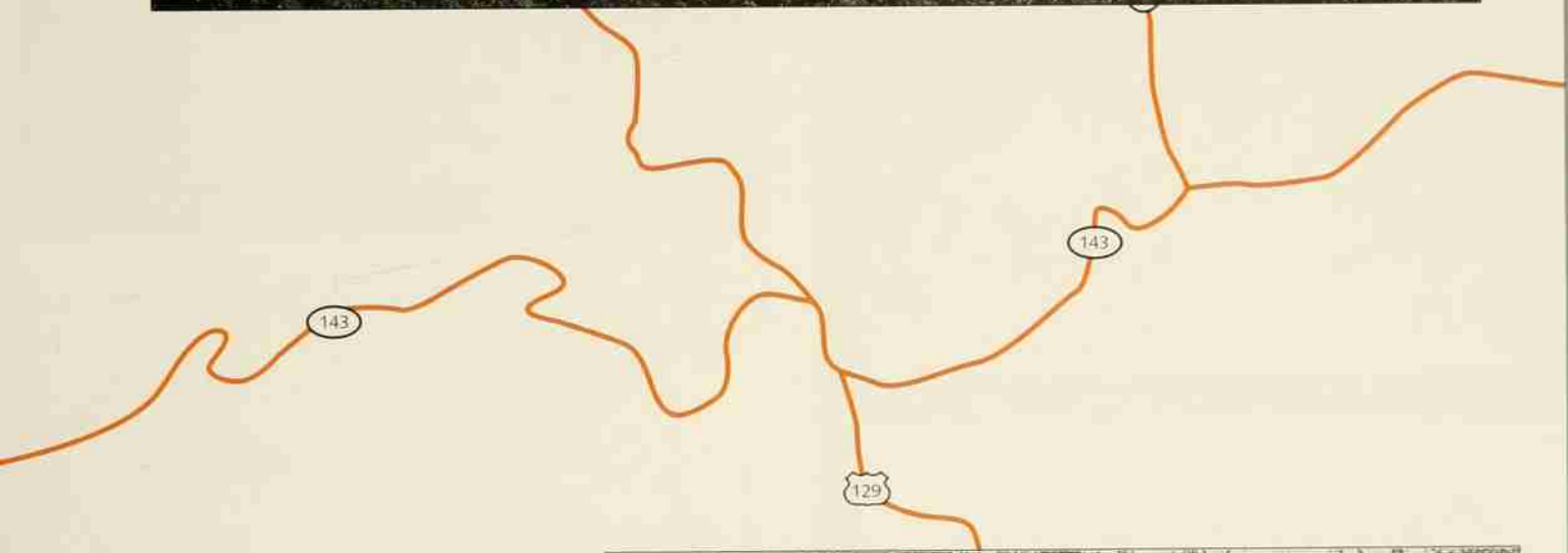
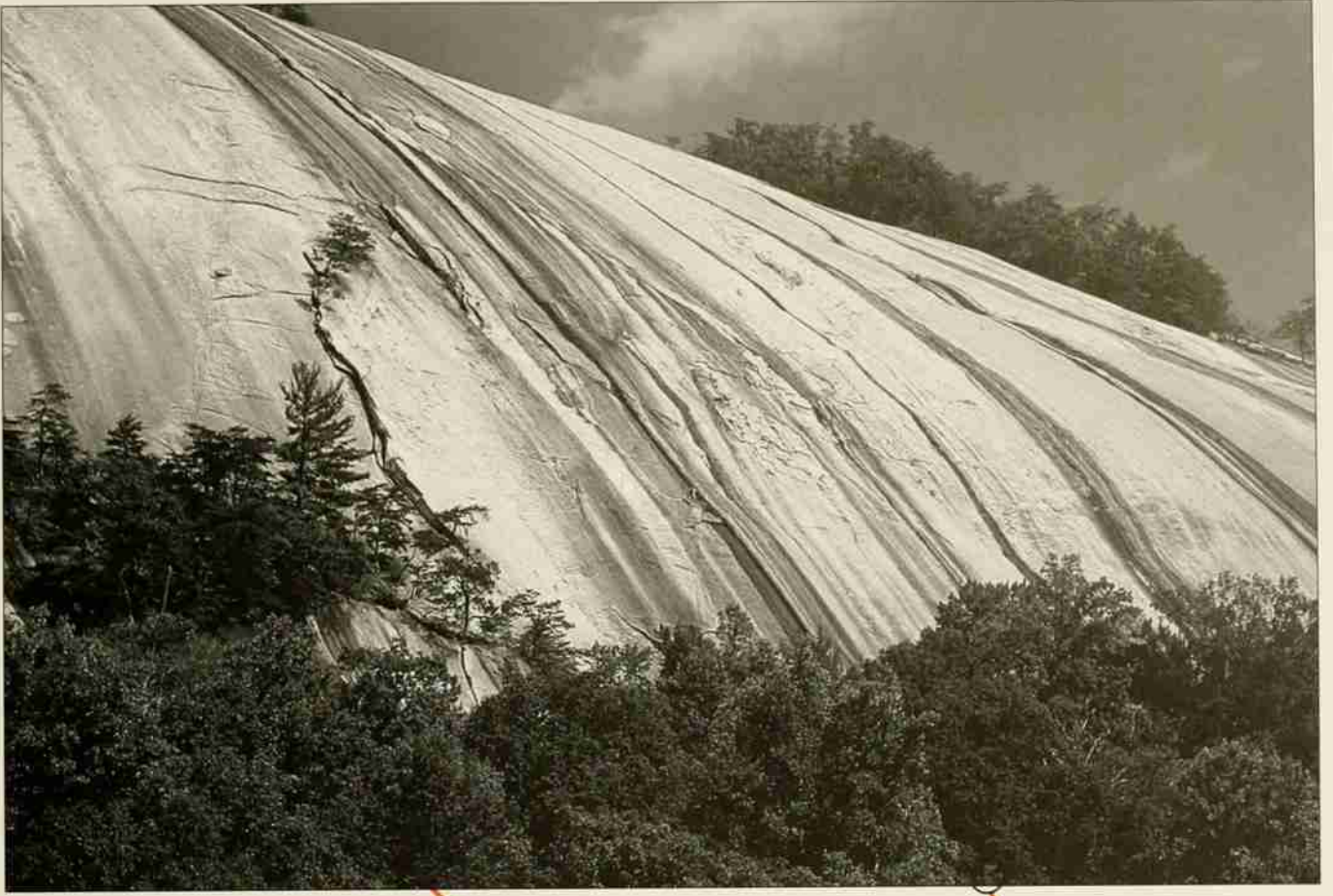


COUNTY SEAT: Robbinsville  
ELEVATION: 2,350 ft. above sea level  
LARGEST CITY: Robbinsville  
TOTAL AREA: 301.41 sq. miles  
POPULATION (2000): 7,993  
POPULATION RANK: 97 out of 100 counties  
POPULATION DENSITY: 27.37 per sq. mile

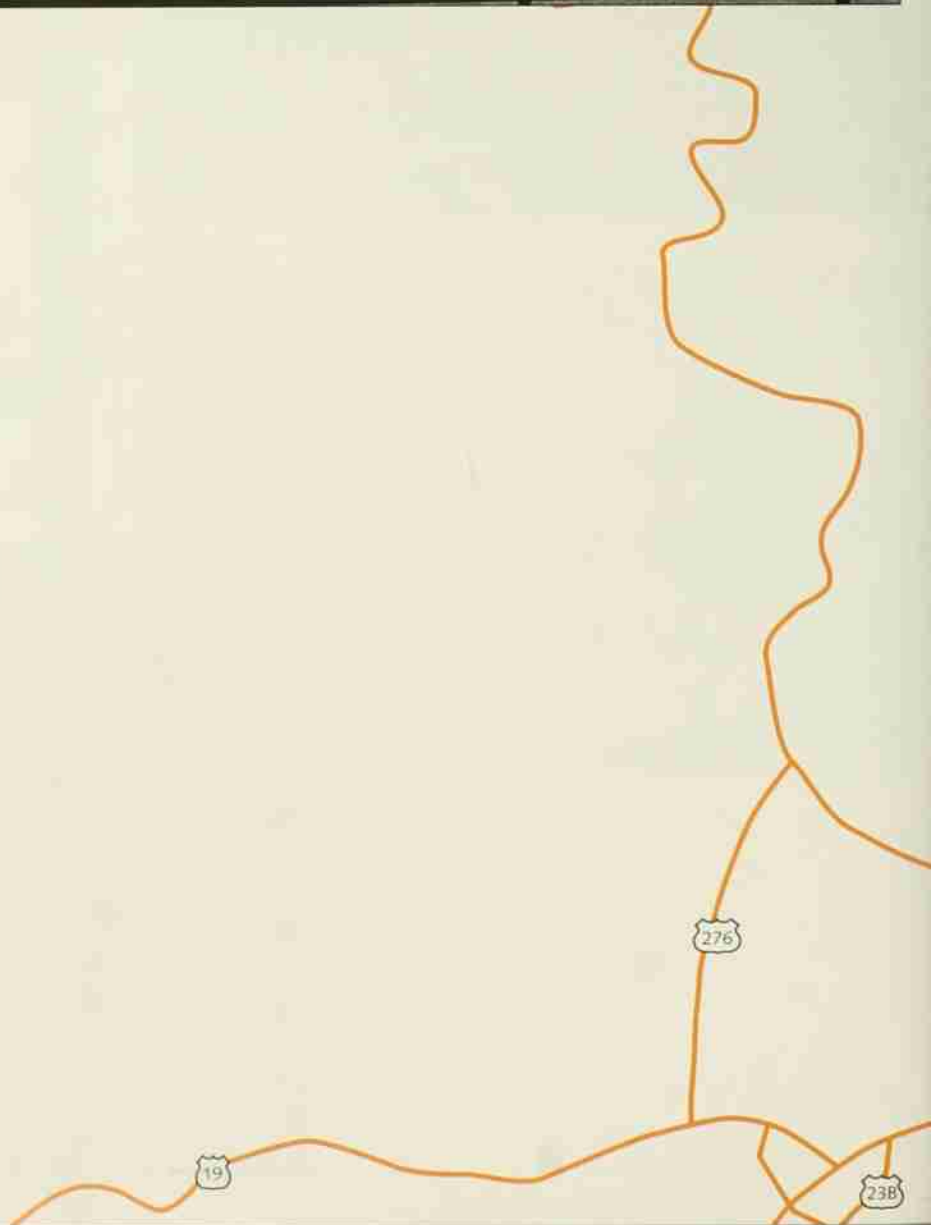
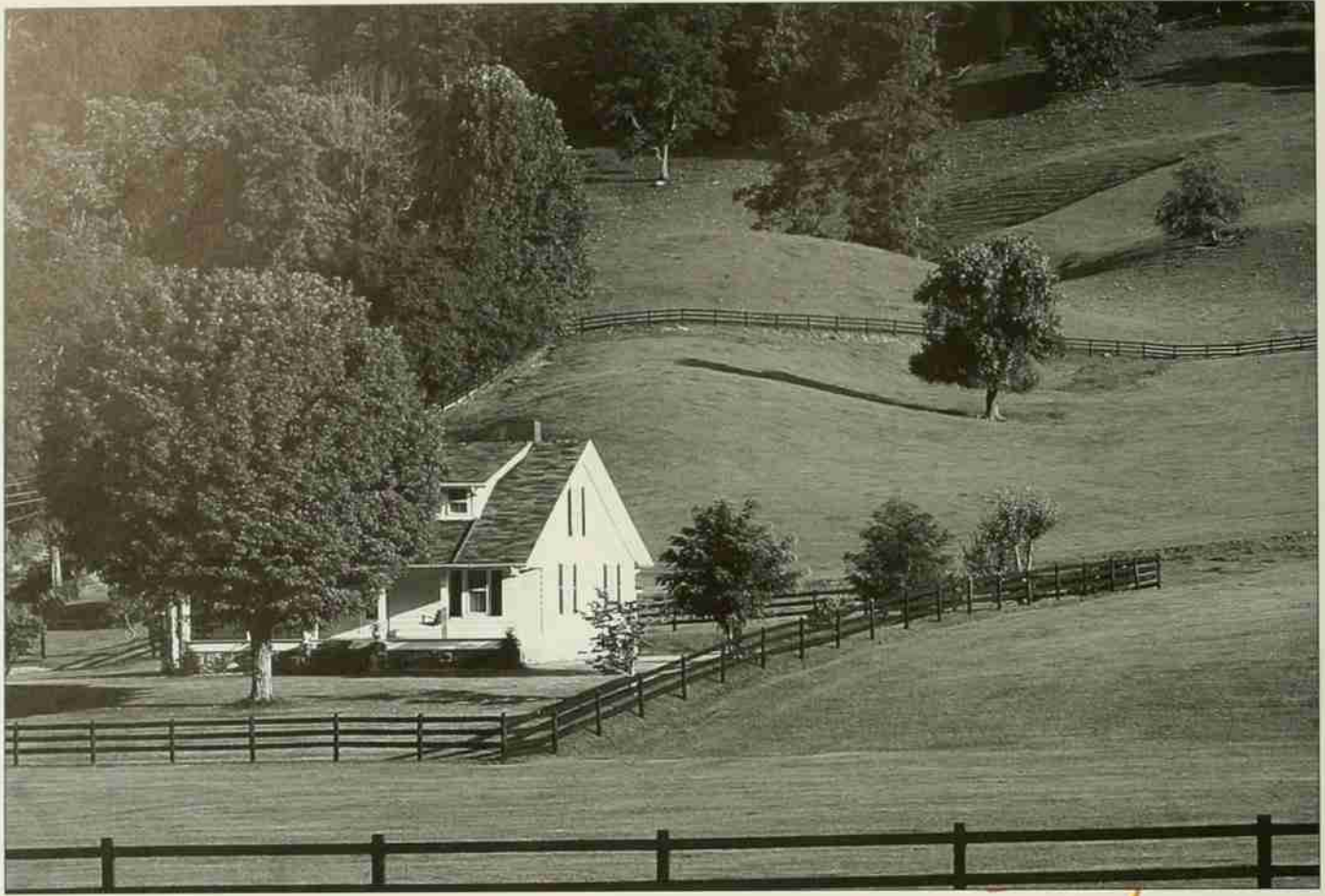
Graham was formed in 1872 from Cherokee. It is named in honor of William A. Graham, United States Senator, Governor of North Carolina, secretary of the navy, and a Confederate States Senator. The largest town in the county is Robbinsville.

While not large population-wise, 62% of Graham County is owned and protected by the U.S. Forest Service. Outdoor sports including mountain biking, hiking, and camping are the major recreational activities of the area and attract visitors from all around the state. The Nantahala Gorge, one of the most popular whitewater rafting areas in the eastern US, borders Graham County on the east. Robbinsville's close knit population of 800 people celebrates their annual 'Ramps Festival' every year in April. People from miles around come to enjoy this mountain grown onion-type edible and other great dishes while listening to mountain music, and enjoying the local arts and crafts on display.











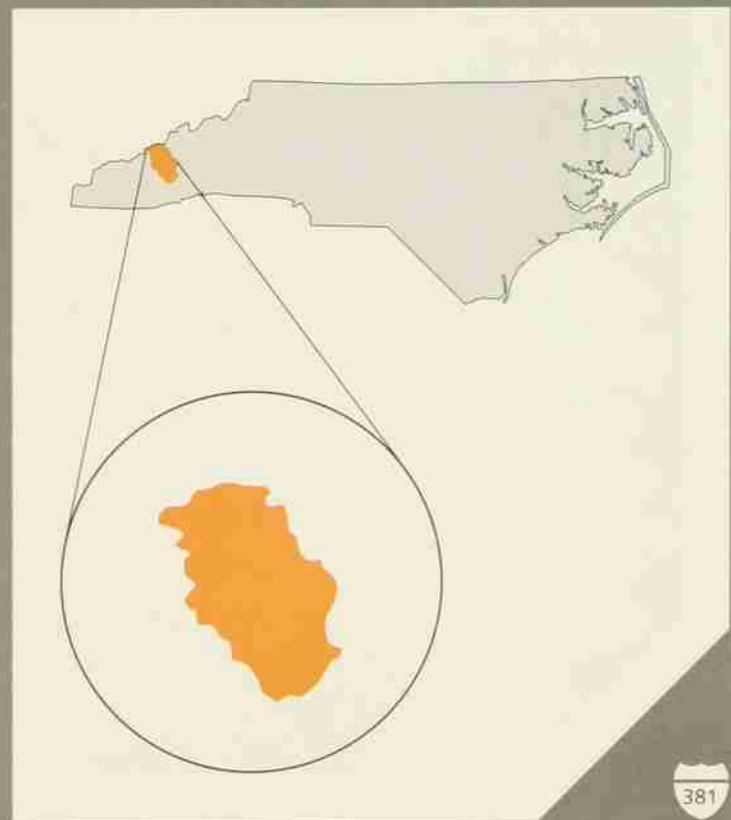
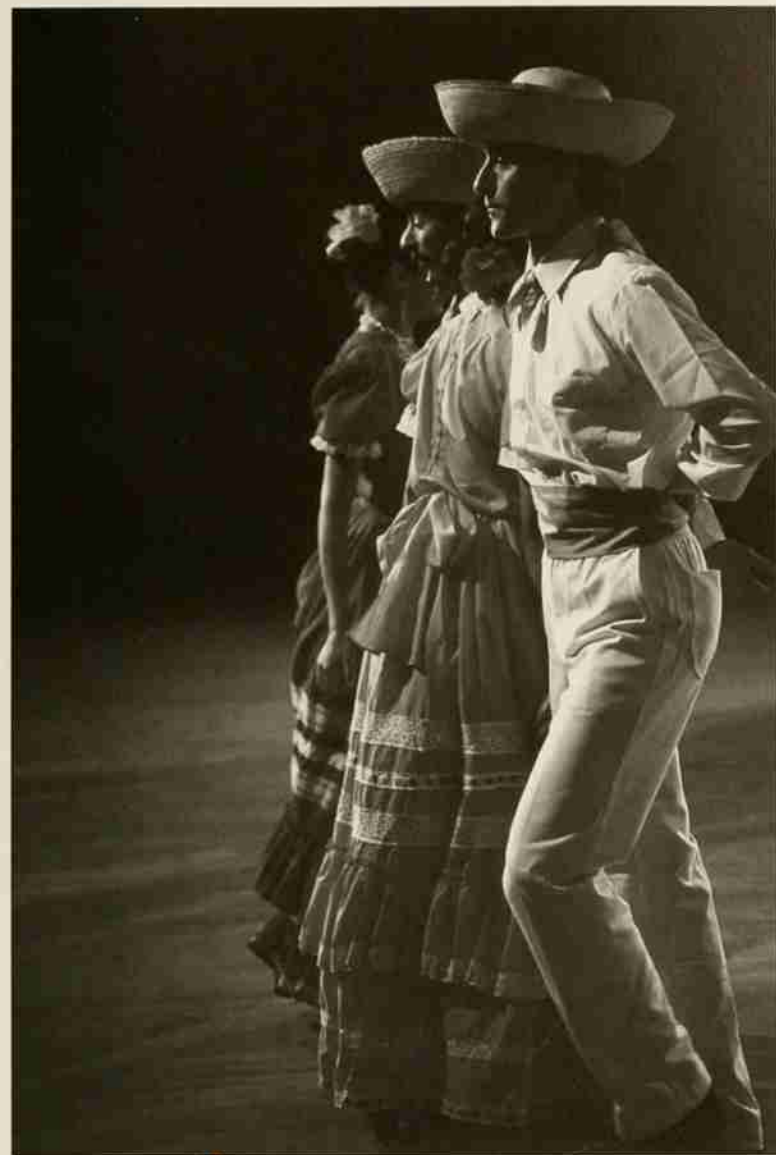
# HAYWOOD COUNTY



COUNTY SEAT: Waynesville  
ELEVATION: 2,635 ft. above sea level  
LARGEST CITY: Waynesville  
TOTAL AREA: 554.46 sq. miles  
POPULATION (2000): 54,033  
POPULATION RANK: 46 out of 100 counties  
POPULATION DENSITY: 97.59 per sq. mile

Haywood was formed in 1808 from Buncombe. It is named in honor of John Haywood, Treasurer of North Carolina, 1787-1827.

The County is home to Waynesville and Canton, along with several other municipalities. The people of Haywood County can be found celebrating their folk tradition with the annual International Folk Festival, where everyone is invited to come listen to traditional folk music, eat traditional folk foods, and of course, have a little traditional folk fun. In celebration of the different cultures of the world, the International Folk Festival is held every July.



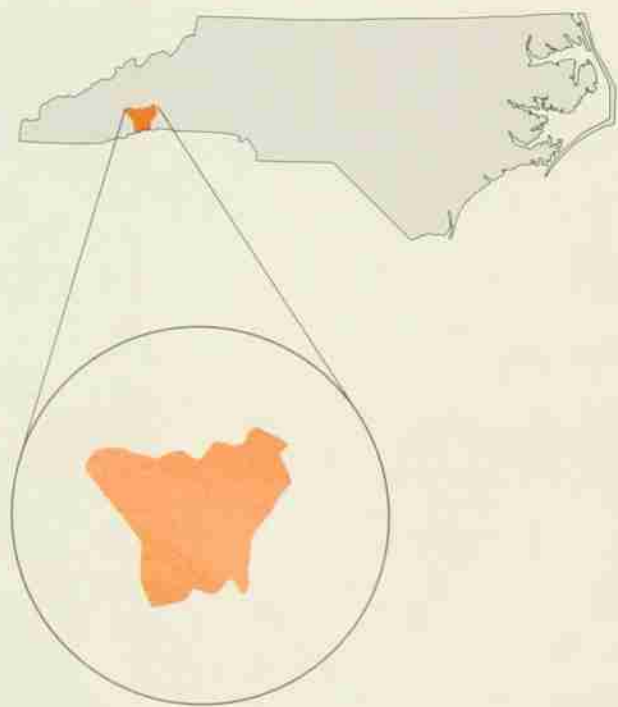
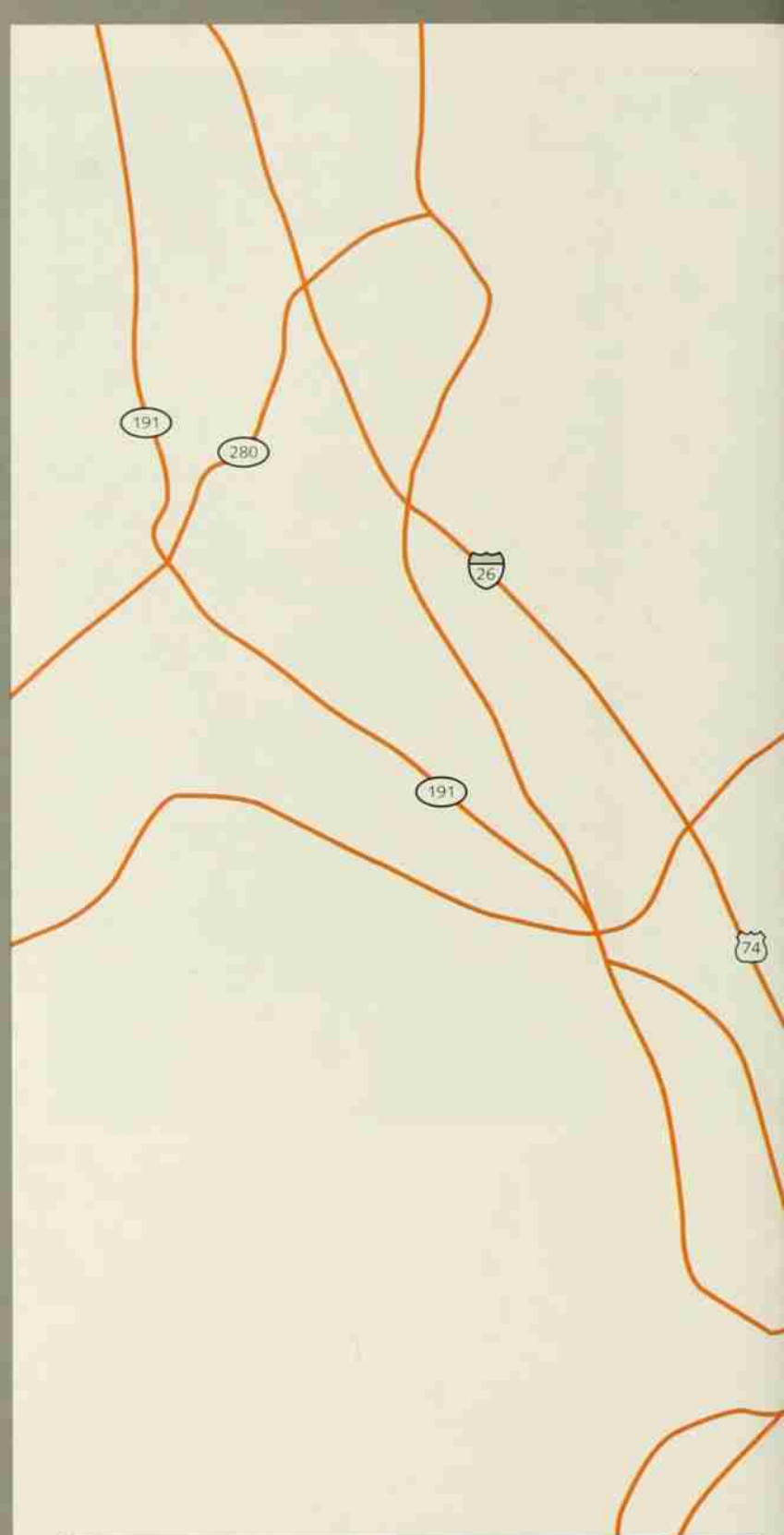
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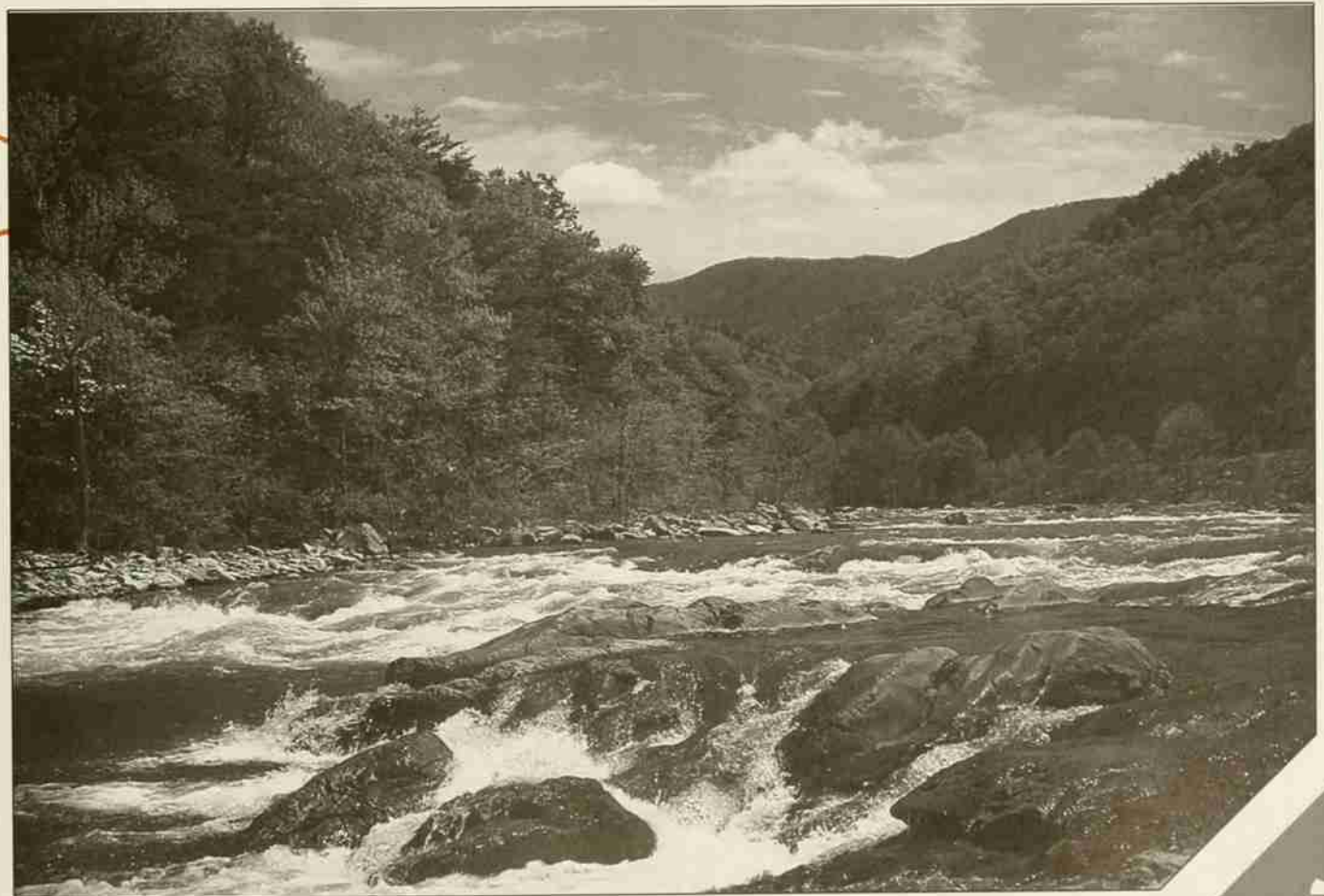
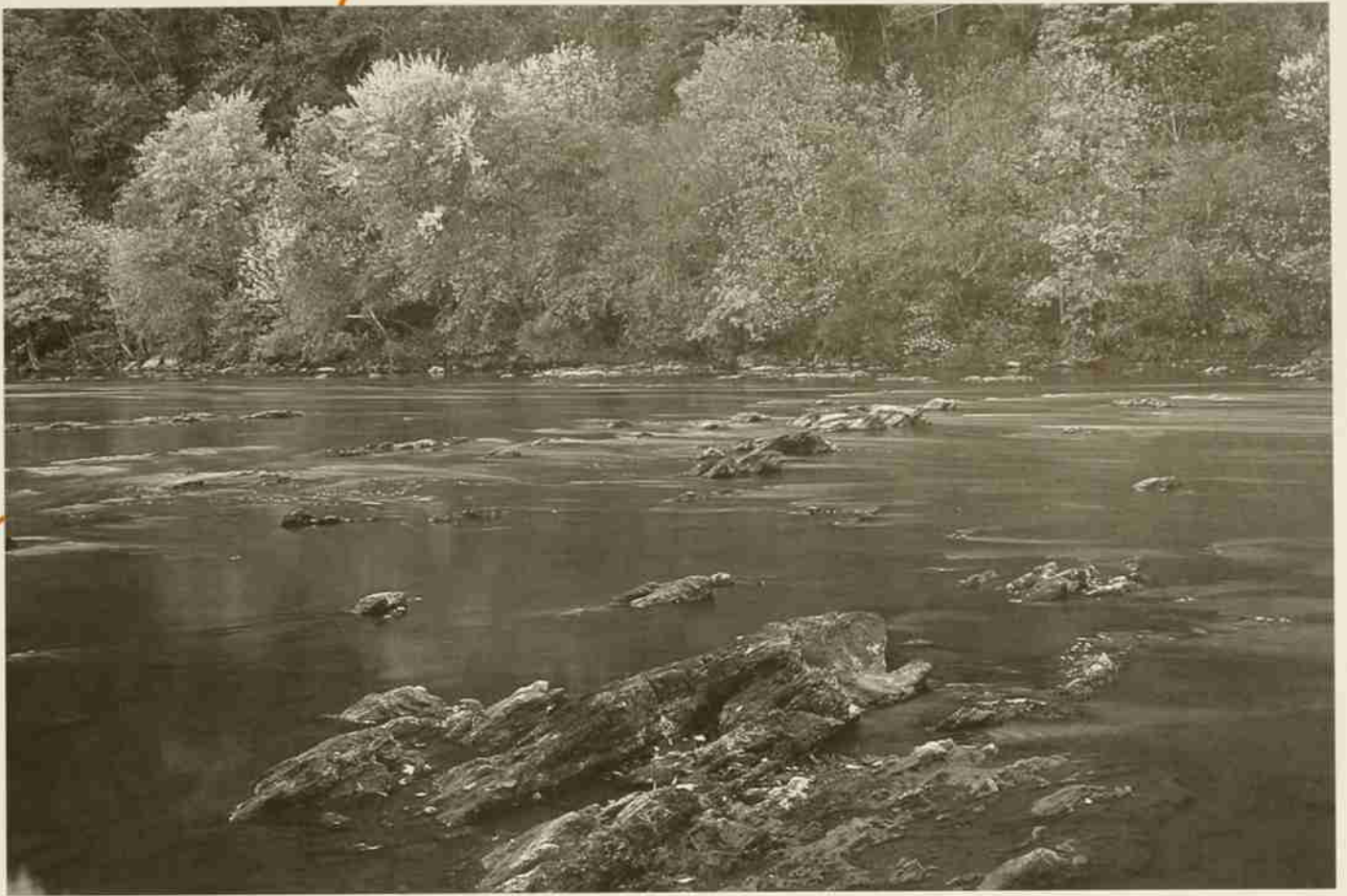
COUNTY SEAT: Hendersonville  
ELEVATION: 2,146 ft. above sea level  
LARGEST CITY: Hendersonville  
TOTAL AREA: 375.08 sq. miles  
POPULATION (2000): 89,173  
POPULATION RANK: 28 out of 100 counties  
POPULATION DENSITY: 238.43 per sq. mile

Henderson was formed in 1838 from Buncombe. It was named in honor of Leonard Henderson, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of North Carolina.

With beautiful history towns like Hendersonville, Laurel Park, and Fletcher, it is no surprise Henderson is considered one of the most aesthetically appealing areas in North Carolina. Home to the Blue Ridge Mountains, Henderson County is visited often by mountain bikers, hikers, and even the occasional artist. Every year Hendersonville celebrates the beauty that can only be found in the mountains with the Garden Jubilee festival. The township's way of welcoming the spring, they celebrate not only the gorgeous flowers, but also the beauty of all types of art. They also host an antique car show every year at the Garden Jubilee festival.



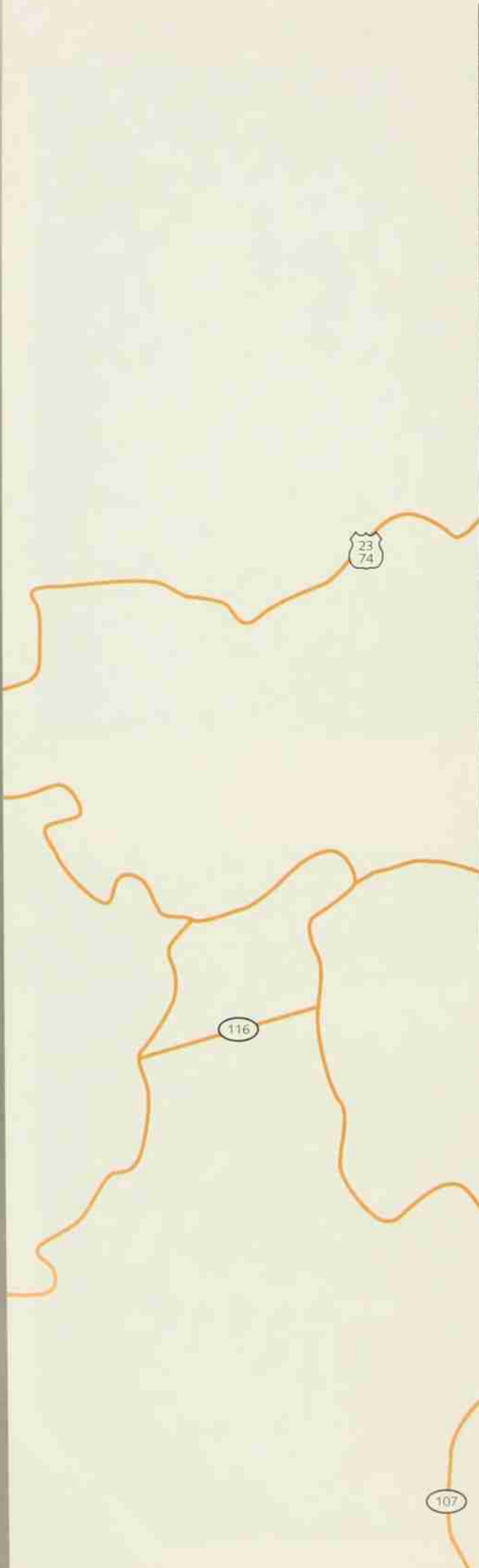




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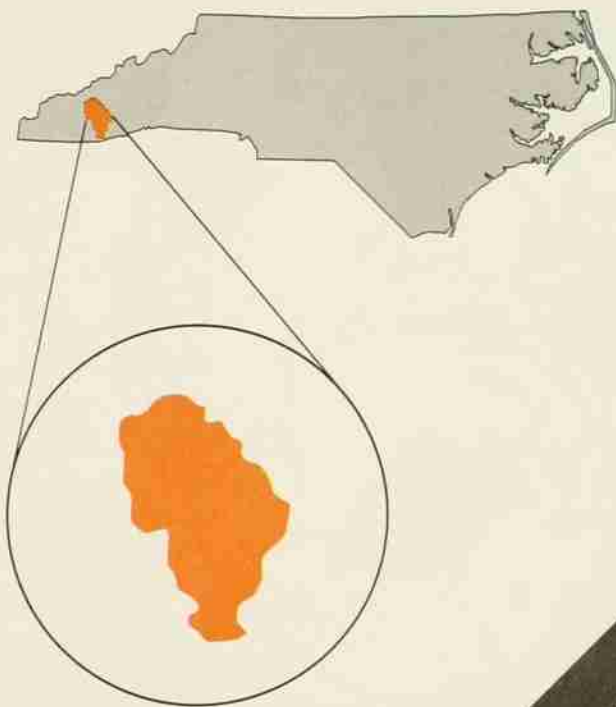
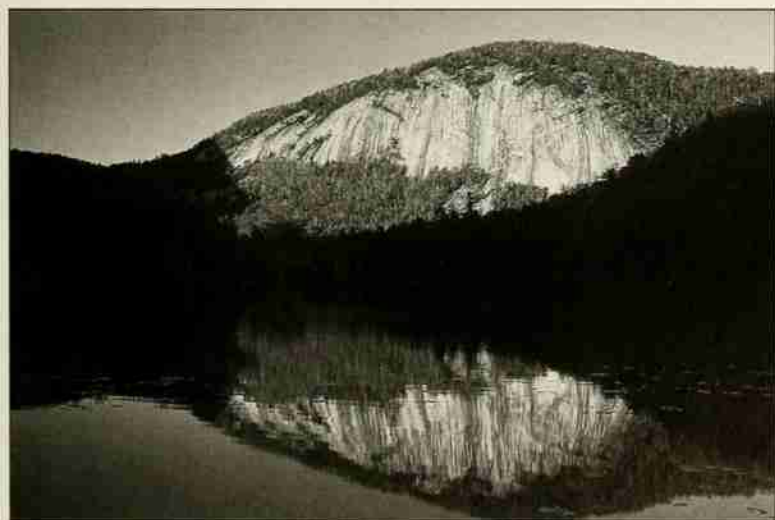
# JACKSON COUNTY



COUNTY SEAT: Sylva  
ELEVATION: 2,047 ft. above sea level  
LARGEST CITY: Sylva  
TOTAL AREA: 494.83 sq. miles  
POPULATION (2000): 33,121  
POPULATION RANK: 66 OUT OF 100 COUNTIES  
POPULATION DENSITY: 67.5 per sq. mile

Jackson was formed in 1851 from Haywood and Macon. It is named in honor of Andrew Jackson, who won an overwhelming victory from the British at New Orleans in 1815 and who was twice President of the United States.

Home to the Blue Ridge Parkway, fast moving streams, wildlife, natural beauty, and friendly people, over 33,000 people call Jackson County home. From train riding to golf and whitewater rafting to hiking, there's always something exciting to do in Jackson County. Every September people are invited to celebrate the rich heritage the county holds with the annual Mountain Heritage Day festival.



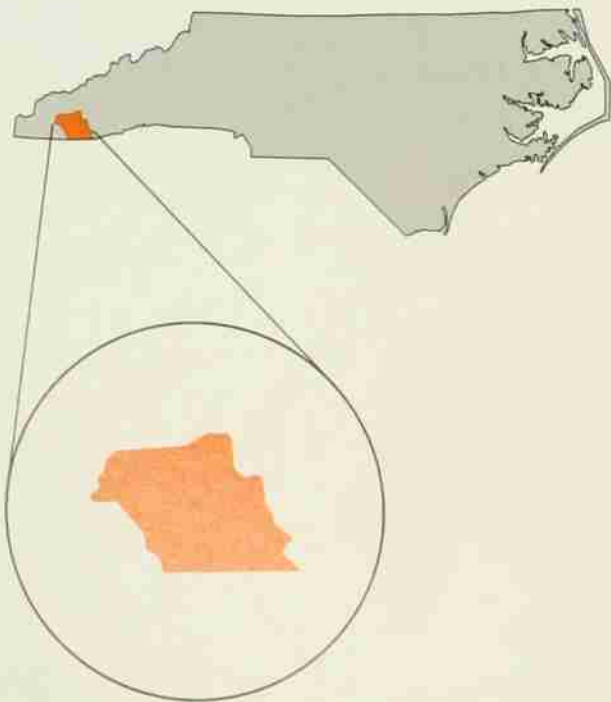
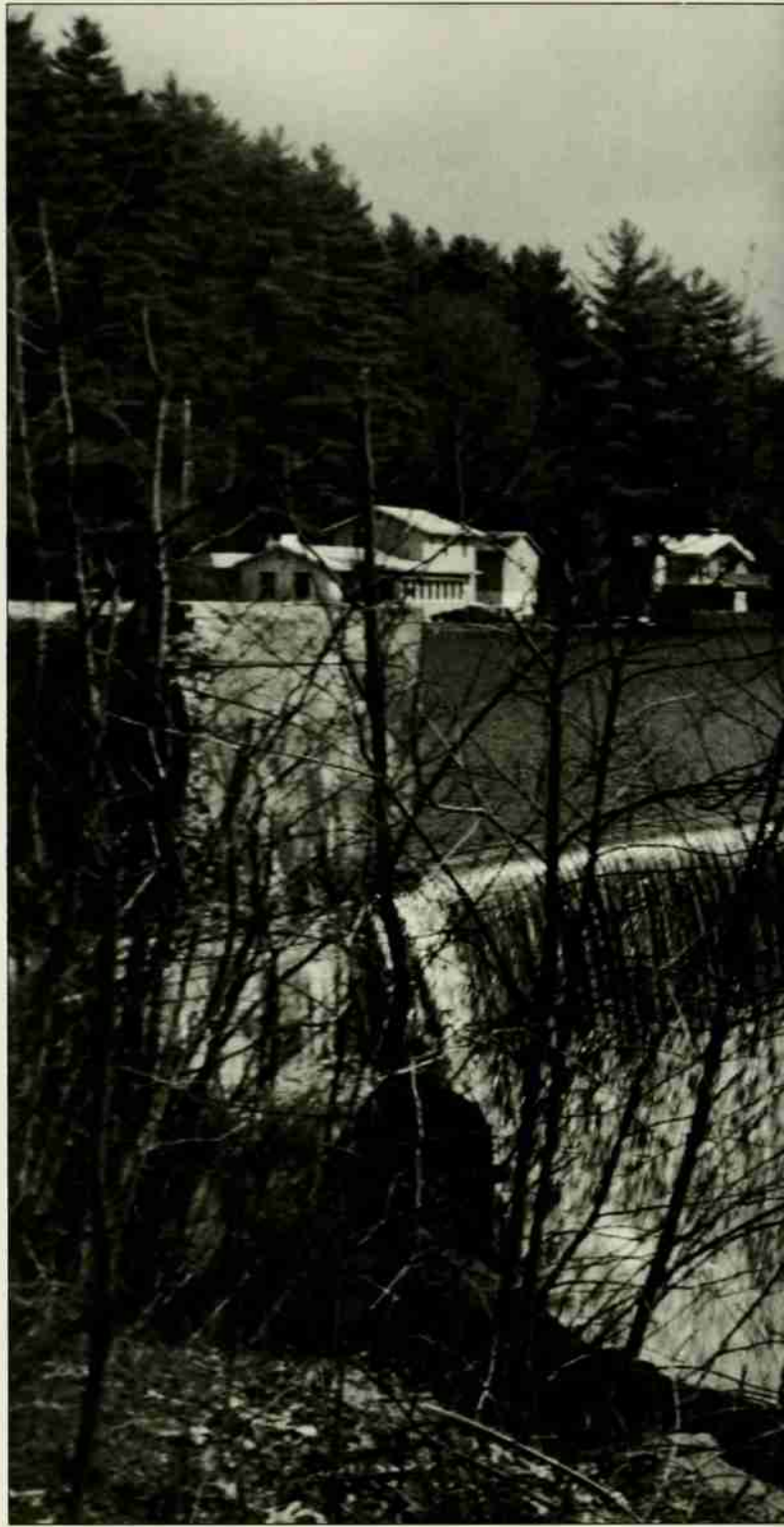


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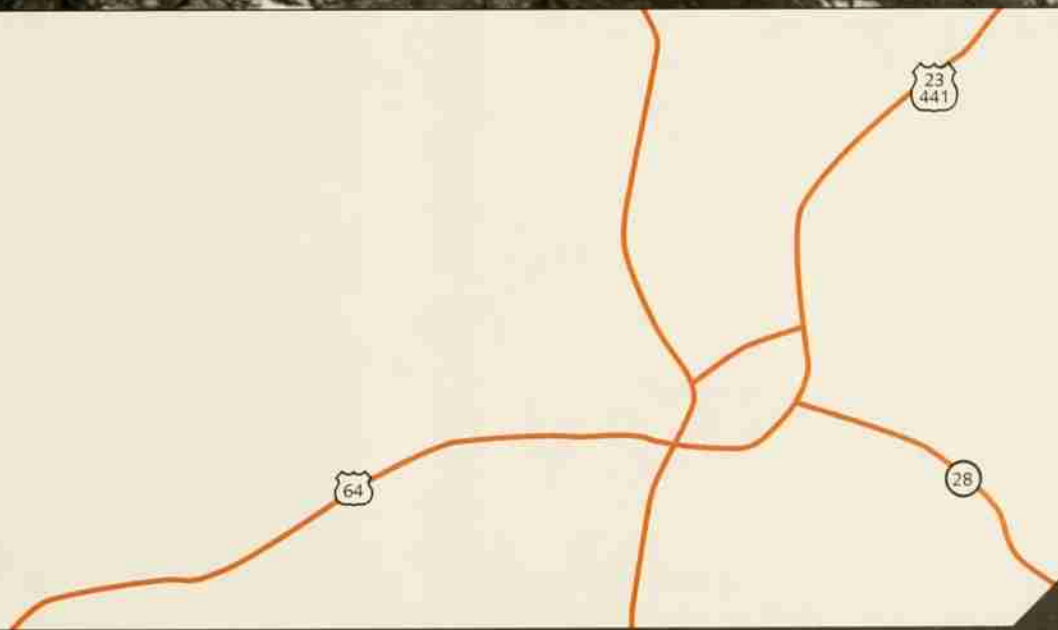
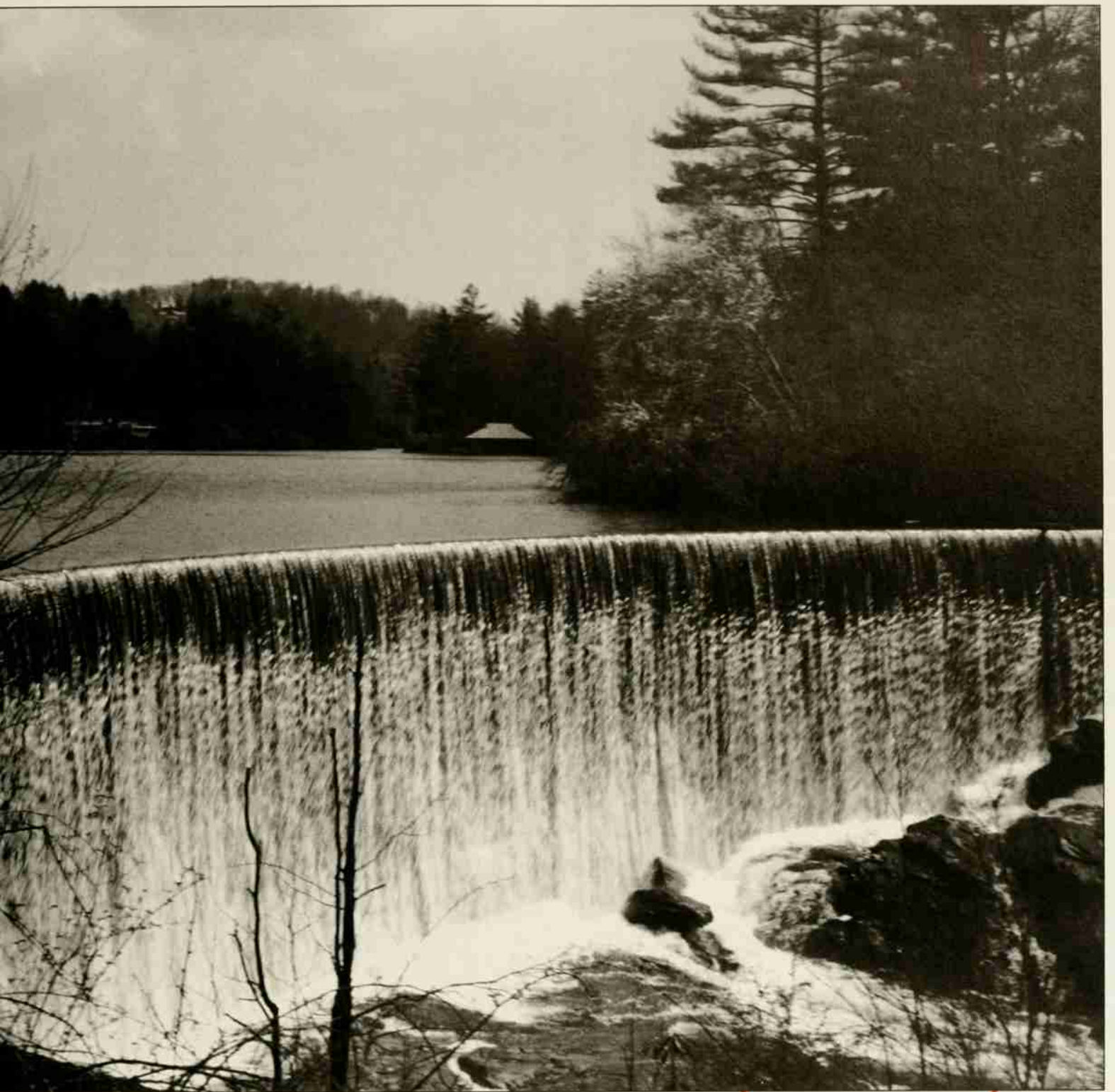


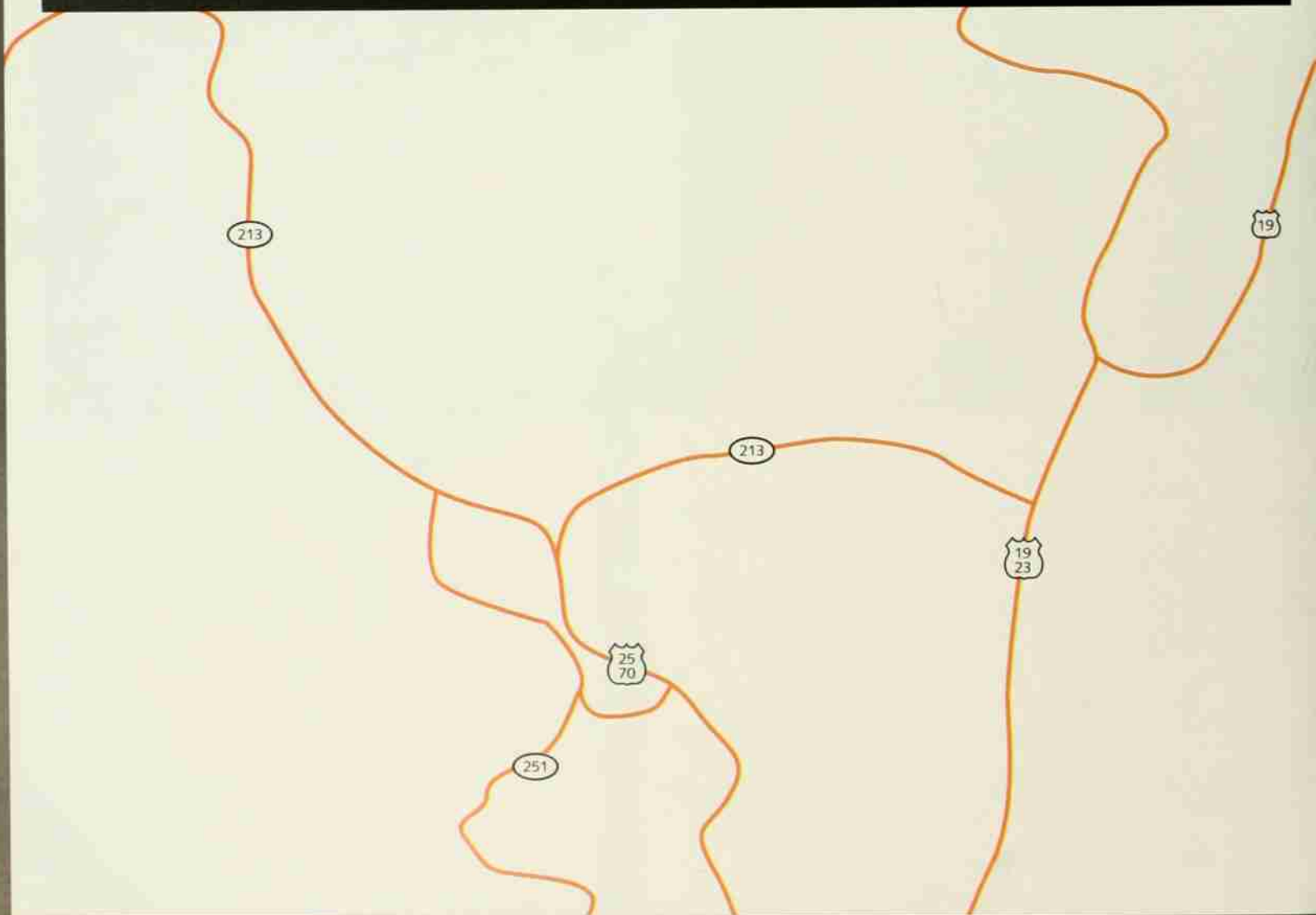
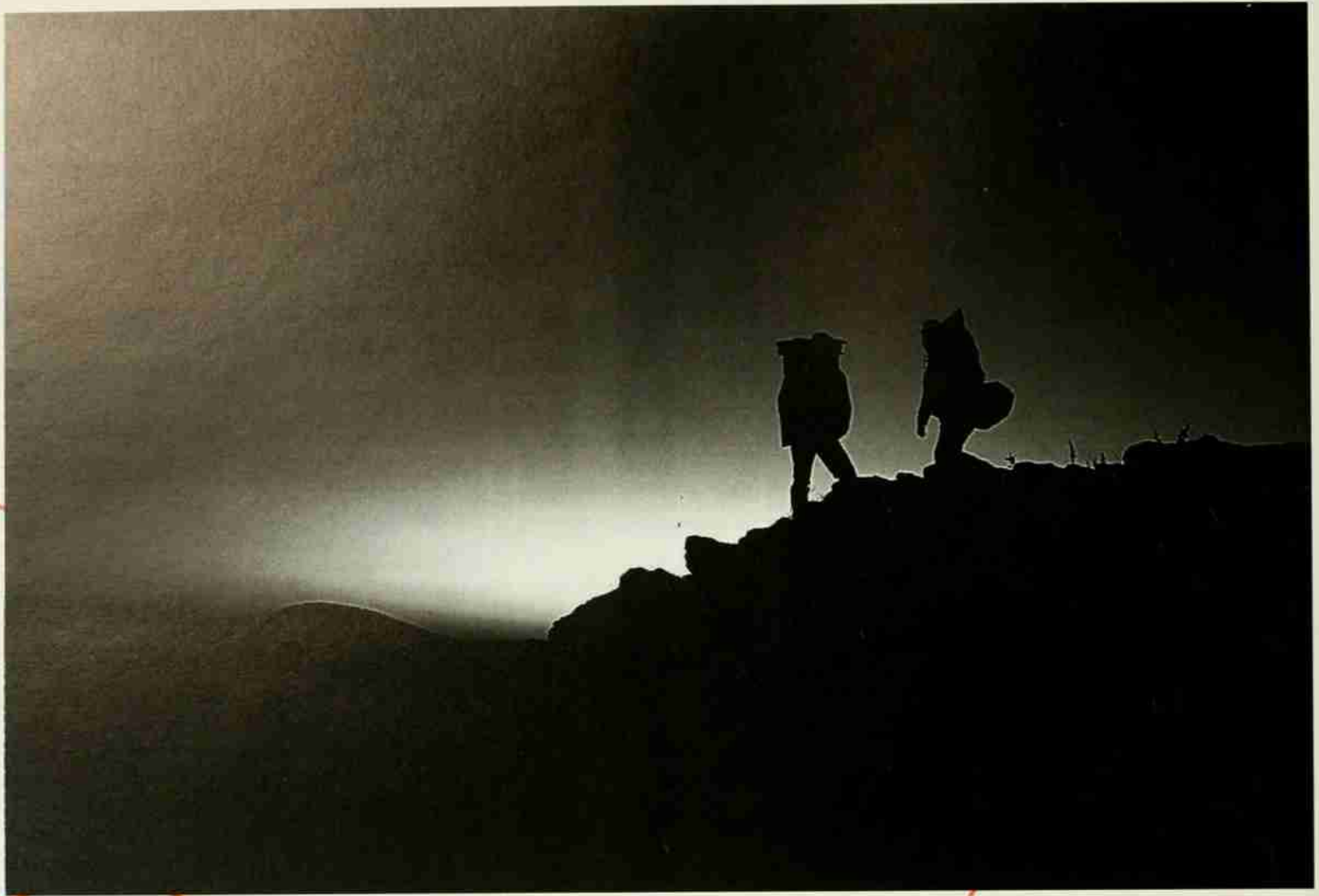
COUNTY SEAT: Franklin  
ELEVATION: 2,113 ft. above sea level  
LARGEST CITY: Franklin  
TOTAL AREA: 519.61 sq. miles  
POPULATION (2000): 29,811  
POPULATION RANK: 69 out of 100 counties  
POPULATION DENSITY: 57.72 per sq. mile

Macon was formed in 1828 from Haywood. It is named in honor of Nathaniel Macon, speaker of the House of Representatives, United States Senator, and president of the Constitutional Convention of 1835. Located in the Smokey Mountains, Macon County sits 4000 feet above sea level. Towns like Franklin and Otto are characteristic of the small towns in the area. Like most mountain towns in North Carolina, fishing, hiking and hunting are big attractions, not to mention the rich ski culture the county hosts during snow season. Each spring, residents celebrate the contributions the historic North Carolina rail system gave their county with the annual Dogwood Run. Folks are invited to jump aboard the steam locomotive 1702 and enjoy the scenic views through Macon County, especially the gorgeous dogwoods that bloom every spring.







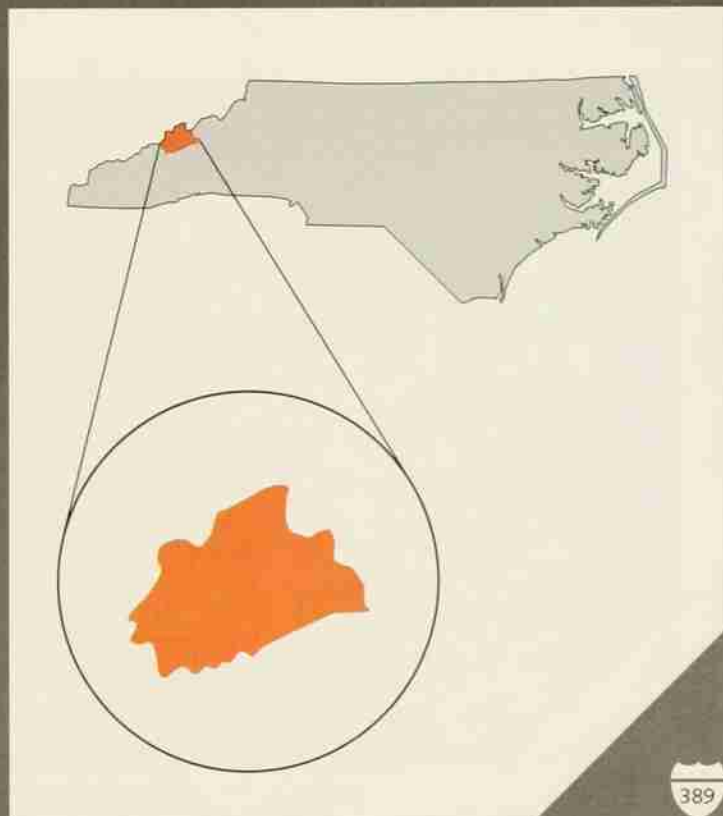
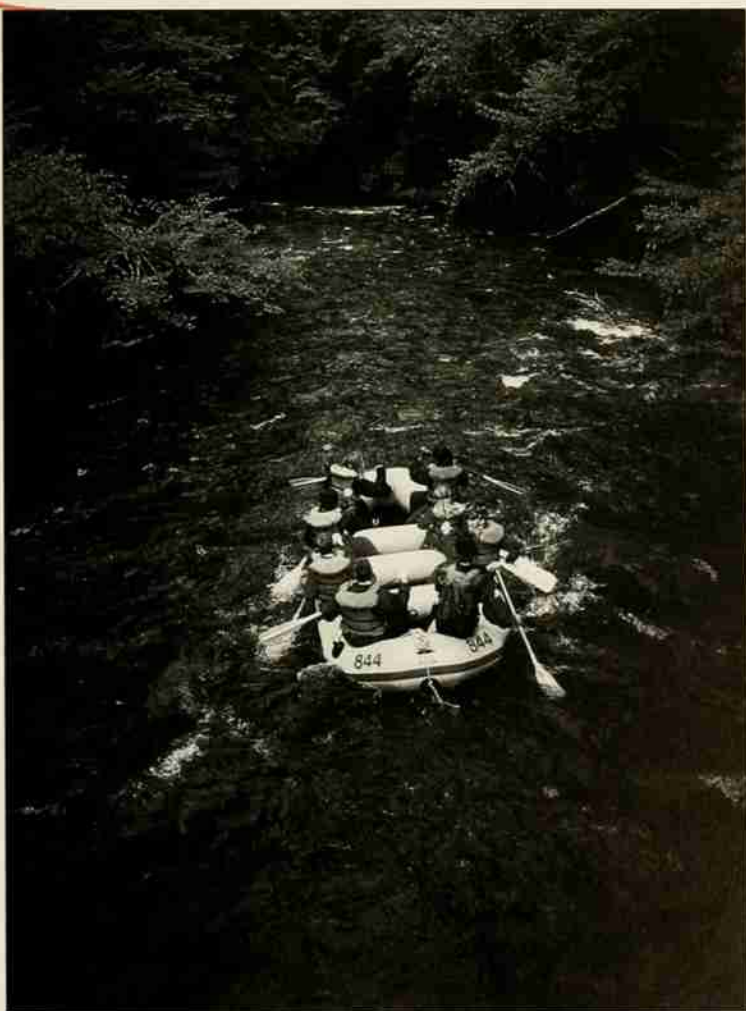


# MADISON COUNTY



COUNTY SEAT: Marshall  
ELEVATION: 1,650 ft. above sea level  
LARGEST CITY: Mars Hill  
TOTAL AREA: 451.75 sq. miles  
POPULATION (2000): 19,635  
POPULATION RANK: 81 out of 100 counties  
POPULATION DENSITY: 43.69 per sq. mile

Madison was formed in 1851 from Buncombe and Yancey. It is named in honor of James Madison, the fourth President of the United States. There one can find towns like Hot Springs and Mars Hill. With some of the prettiest campgrounds in North Carolina, Madison County has miles upon miles of scenic road tours available for anyone interested in observing the mountain scenery at work. Traditional folk art is common in Madison County, and can be seen in quilts, dolls, rugs, and other craft items. Madison County receives thousands of visitors each year. Many come to enjoy outdoor adventures such as camping, hiking, rock climbing, skiing, or whitewater rafting. Others come to share in the folk culture which is kept alive in the art, dance, and music of the county. Madison County has been home to some of the finest fiddlers and "pickers" of the Appalachians, and the annual Bascom Lamar Lunsford Festival is a significant showcase for this foot-tapping music.





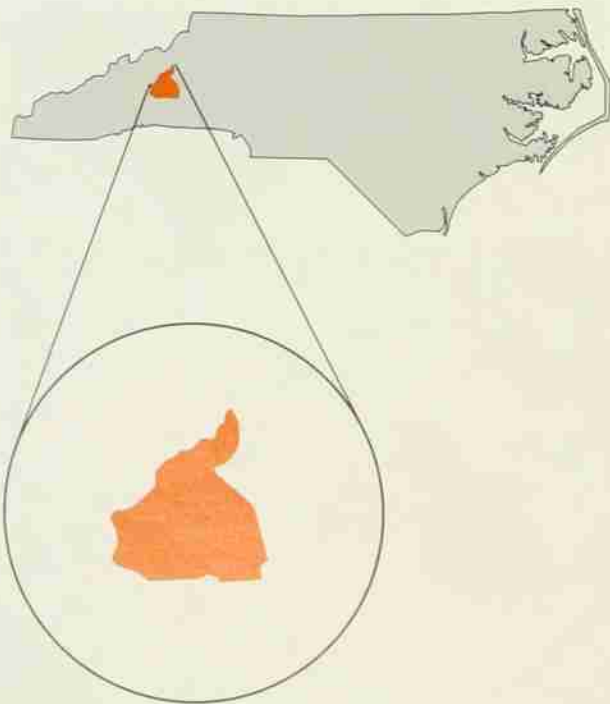
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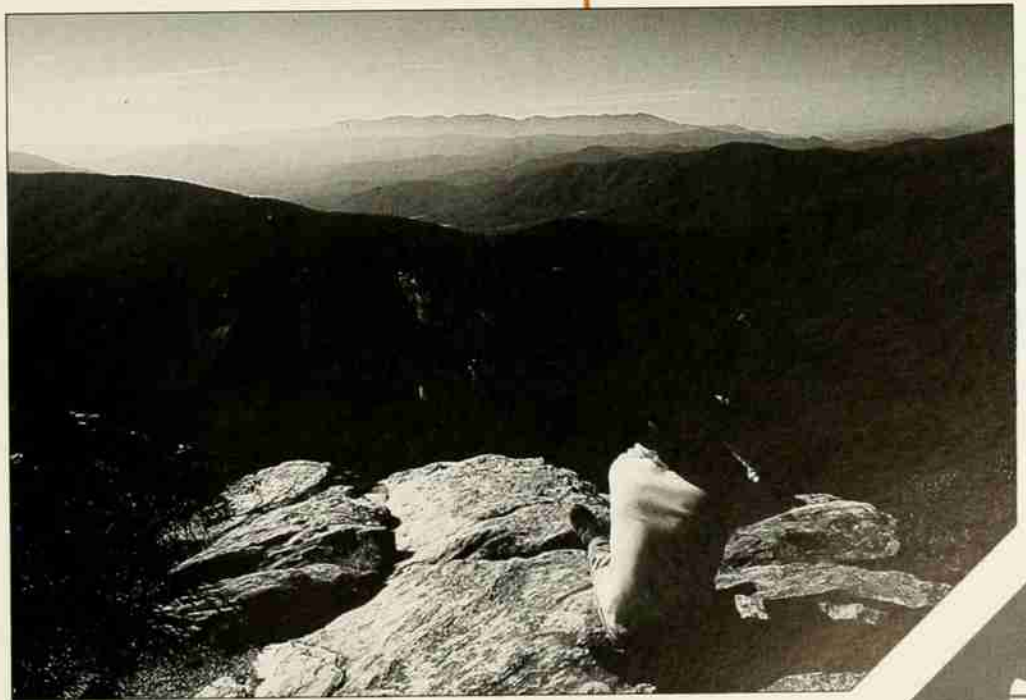


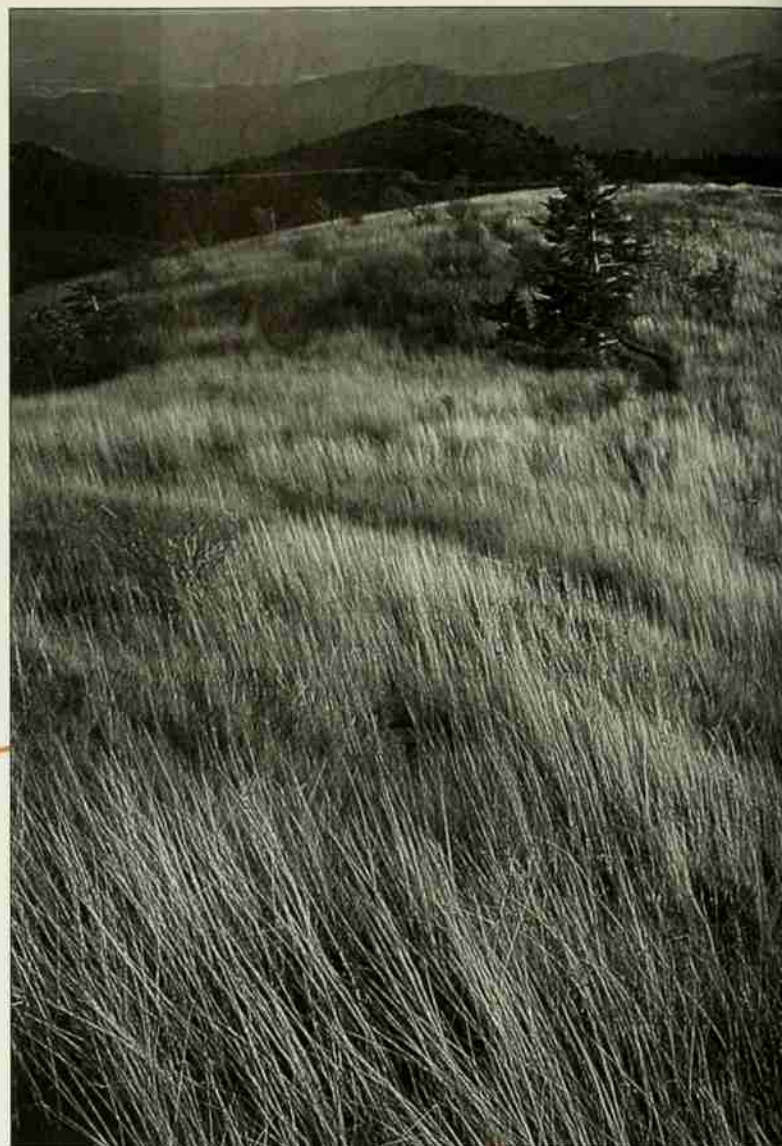
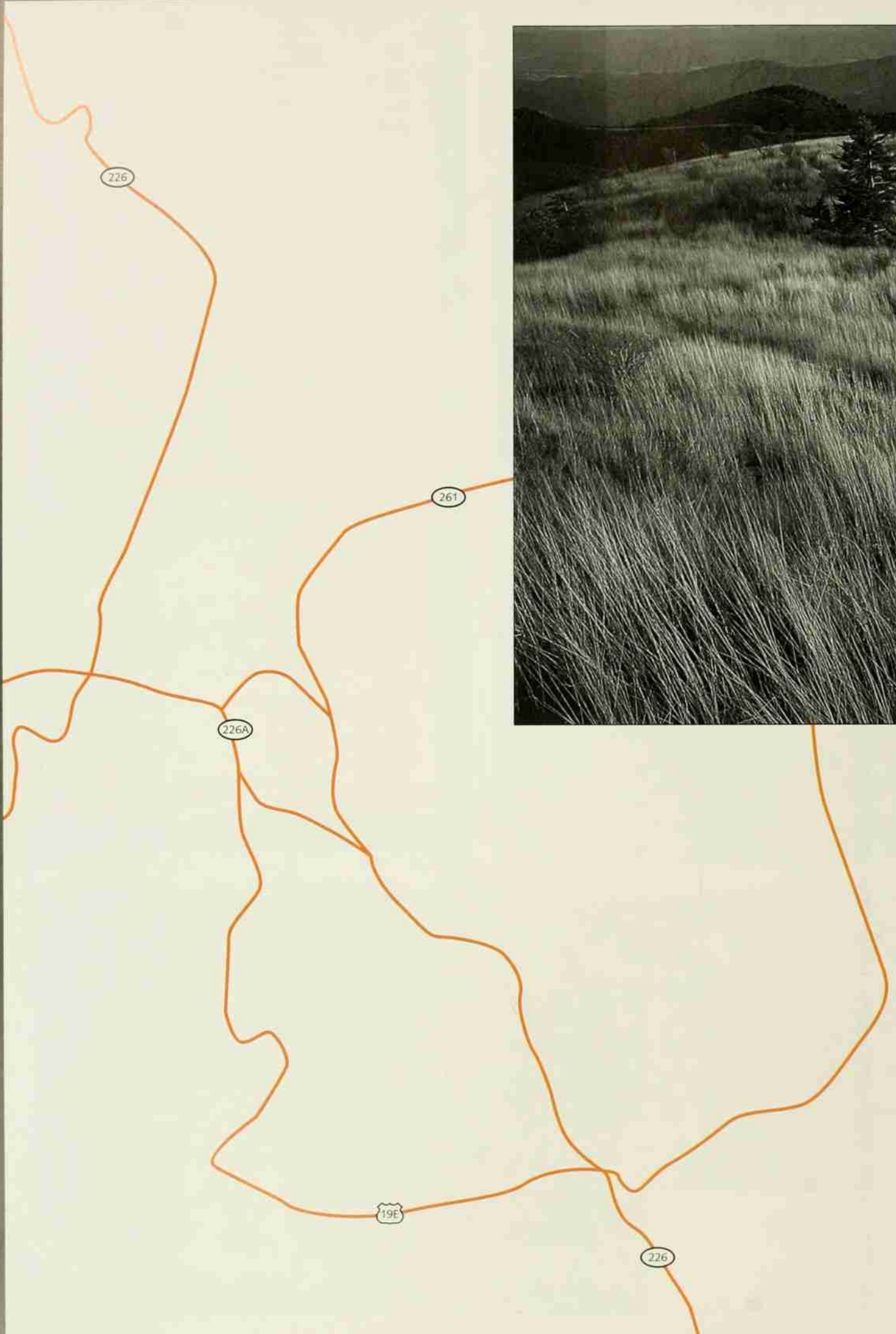
COUNTY SEAT: Marion  
ELEVATION: 1,437 ft. above sea level  
LARGEST CITY: Marion  
TOTAL AREA: 448.04 sq. miles  
POPULATION (2000): 42,151  
POPULATION RANK: 57 OUT OF 100 COUNTIES  
POPULATION DENSITY: 95.43 per sq. mile

McDowell was formed in 1842 from Rutherford and Burke Counties. McDowell County is named for Major Joseph McDowell who fought at the Battle of Kings Mountain and was a member of Congress and of the commission to settle the North Carolina-Tennessee line.

The county's largest attraction, the Lake James State Park is a 565-acre facility offering picnicking, swimming, canoe rentals, and hiking. Every year in the town of Marion, locals host the Mountain Glory festival. Visitors attend to listen to great folk music, participate in fun children's activities such as pumpkin painting and participating in two long distance road races.











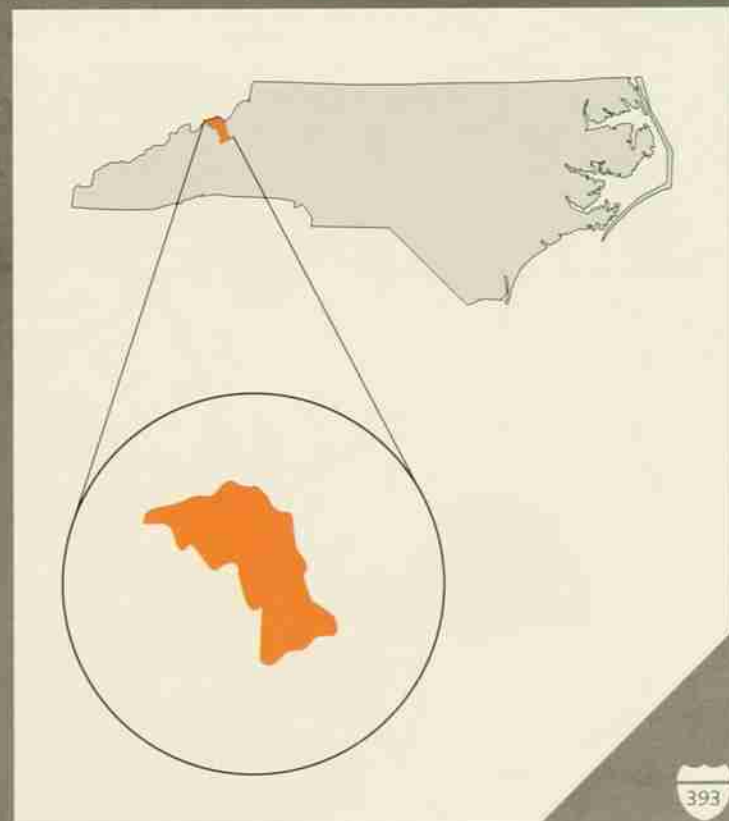
# MITCHELL COUNTY



COUNTY SEAT: Bakersville  
ELEVATION: 2,550 ft. above sea level  
LARGEST CITY: Spruce Pine  
TOTAL AREA: 221.61 sq. miles  
POPULATION (2000): 15,687  
POPULATION RANK: 87 out of 100 counties  
POPULATION DENSITY: 70.85 per sq. mile

Mitchell was formed in 1861 from Yancey, Watauga, Caldwell, Burke and McDowell counties. It is named in honor of Dr. Elisha Mitchell, a professor at the University of North Carolina. While on an exploring expedition of Mt. Mitchell, the highest peak east of the Mississippi River, Dr. Mitchell fell and was killed. He was buried on the top of this lofty mountain.

"Southern Appalachia, it's a real small mountain town, like what you see in the tourist brochures. We've got three industries: mining, textiles, and furniture. It's very small—the population of NC State is larger than my county. And it's real rural. The number one tourist attraction is the Blue Ridge Parkway."— Mark Voelker, junior, Computer Science and Computer Engineering

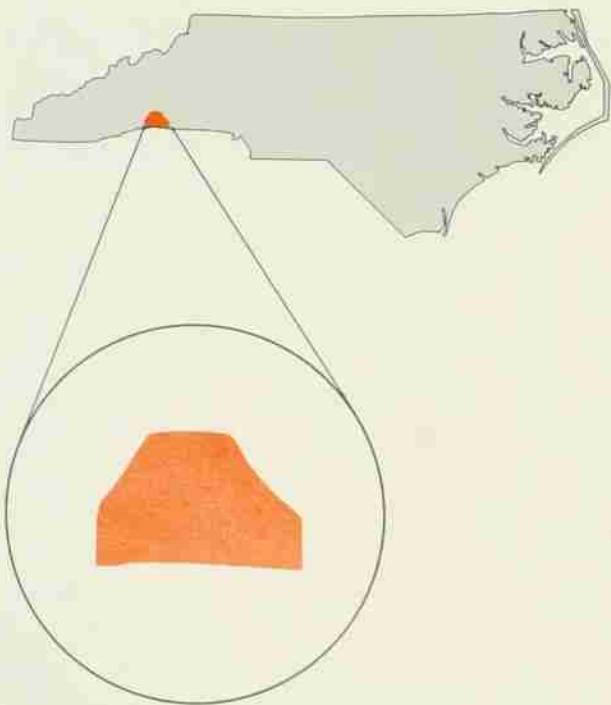


# POLK COUNTY



COUNTY SEAT: Columbus  
ELEVATION: 1,145 ft. above sea level  
AVERAGE ANNUAL RAINFALL: 65 in.  
TOTAL AREA: 238.61 sq. miles  
POPULATION (2000): 18,324  
POPULATION RANK: 83 out of 100 counties  
POPULATION DENSITY: 77.04 per sq. mile

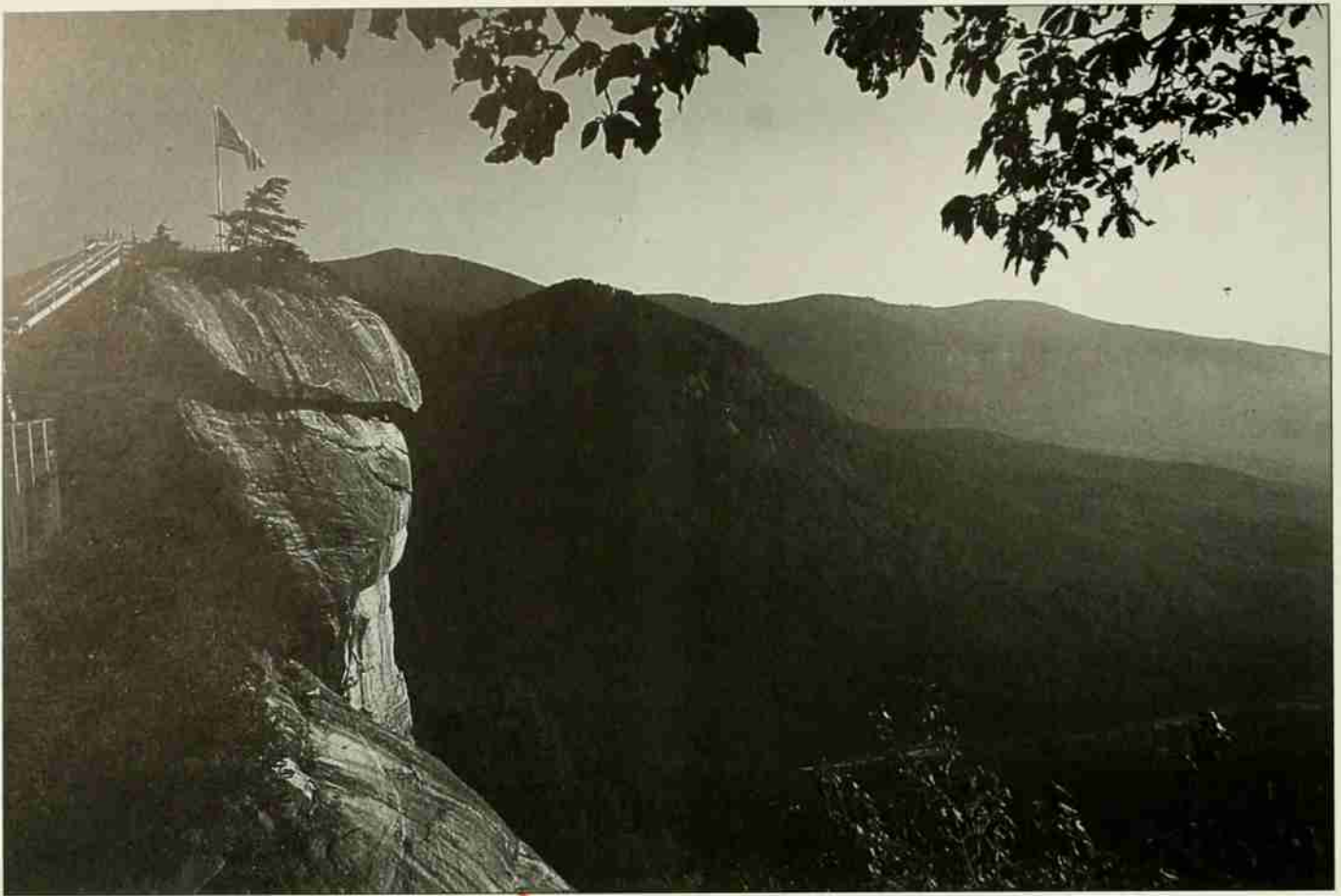
The main cities in Polk County are Tryon, Columbus and Saluda. Tryon and Saluda are rich with turn-of-the-century railroad history, having remained relatively untouched for the last eighty years. Described as "picturesque and friendly", Polk County has two major attractions that it hosts every year. The Block House Steeple Chase, an event well known and attended by the equestrian community, has been held every April for the last fifty-seven years at the Cotton Patch Farm. Polk County celebrates their Southern tradition with the Annual Blue Ridge BBQ Festival, an event that helps to almost double the population of the small county for two days every June.











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# RUTHERFORD COUNTY



COUNTY SEAT: Rutherfordton

ELEVATION: 1,096 ft. above sea level

LARGEST CITY: Forest City

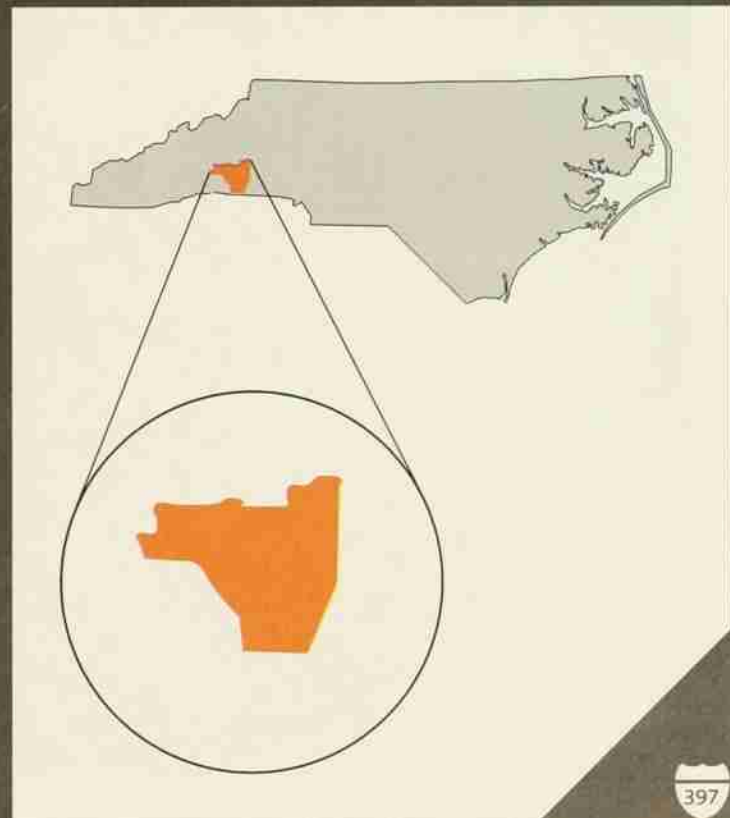
TOTAL AREA: 565.27 sq. miles

POPULATION (2000): 62,899

POPULATION RANK: 38 out of 100 counties

POPULATION DENSITY: 111.5 per sq. mile

Home to Alexander Mills, Bostic, Caroleen, and of course, Chimney Rock; Rutherford County contains a large portion of North Carolina. One of the most amazing attractions anywhere in North Carolina, Chimney Rock is a natural rock formation that stands 2280 feet high. Reachable by an elevator encased in the mountain, Chimney Rock provides one of the most amazing views of North Carolina. With three award winning 18 hole golf courses, golfers come from miles around to play on some very unique courses. Every June, residents of Rutherford County gather together for their Mountain Music festival, and listen to the traditional tune of the Piedmont.



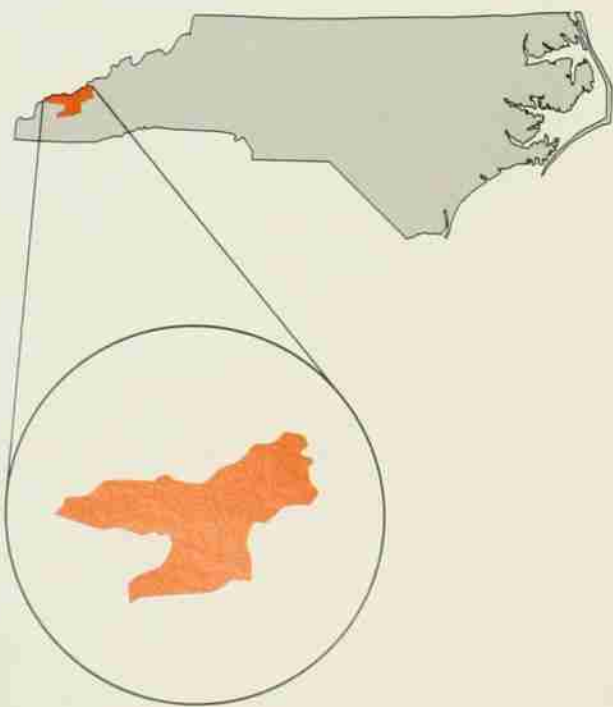


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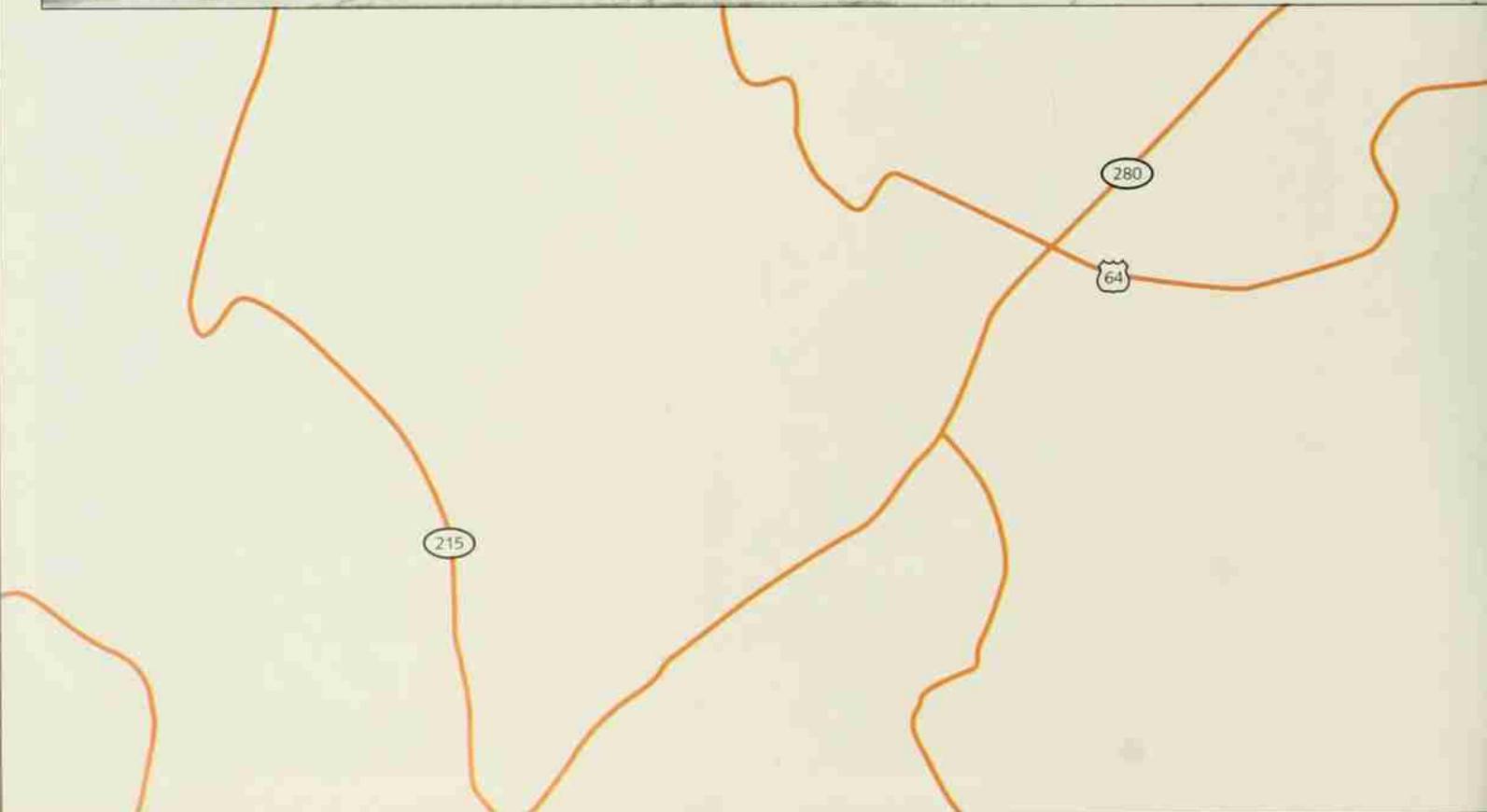
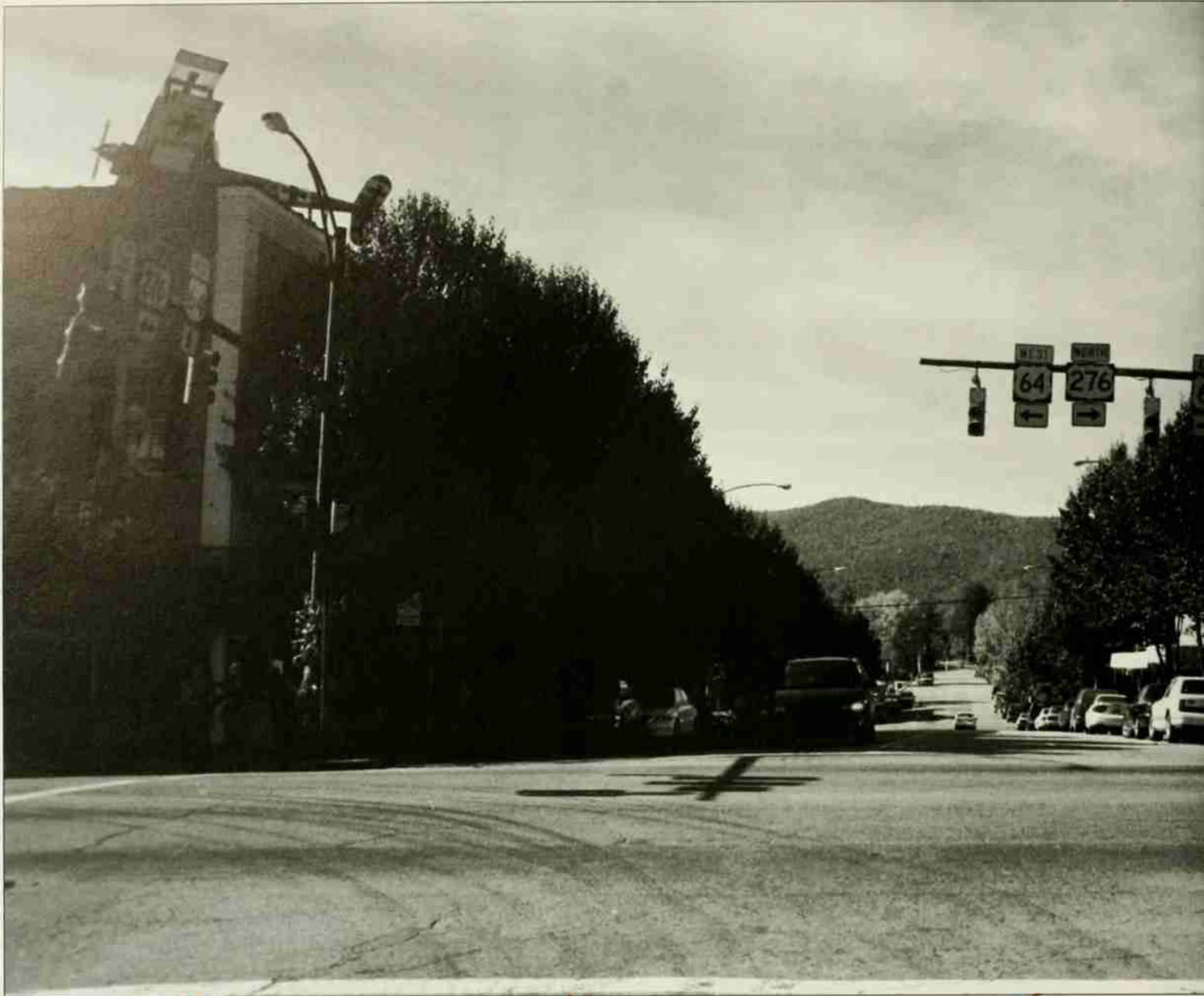
COUNTY SEAT: Bryson City  
ELEVATION: 1,736 ft. above sea level  
LARGEST CITY: Bryson City  
TOTAL AREA: 539.96 sq. miles  
POPULATION (2000): 12,968  
POPULATION RANK: 96 out of 100 counties  
POPULATION DENSITY: 24.56 per sq. mile

Like many counties in the Great Smokey Mountains, Swain County has a varied yet ever beautiful landscape. Lush valleys, beautiful rivers, and picturesque towns dot the county. Folks come from miles around to participate in the several different endurance runs that the county holds annually, including the Endurance Trail Run which pits runners against a 5,000 foot vertical climb. The Heritage Festival is held yearly to celebrate the customs and traditions of the mountain people. Featuring traditional music and craft demonstrations, young and old alike are welcomed to celebrate their towns' Southern mountain heritage.











# TRANSYLVANIA COUNTY



COUNTY SEAT: Brevard  
ELEVATION: 2,230 ft. above sea level

LARGEST CITY: Brevard

TOTAL AREA: 386.29 sq. miles

POPULATION (2000): 29,334

POPULATION RANK: 70 OUT OF 100 COUNTIES

POPULATION DENSITY: 77.52 per sq. mile

The towns of Balsam Grove, Brevard, and Cedar Mountain are all found in Transylvania. There are many things to do in the county, including hiking and golfing, and a wealth of fishing in this area. Home to the Pisgah Forest, nature lovers are thrilled to visit the quiet beauty of one of North Carolina's oldest forests. One of the unique aspects of Transylvania is that it has its own breed of squirrel. The Brevard White Squirrel, while not Albino, is the only entirely white breed of squirrel in the world. Having become so beloved by the residents, the city of Brevard has even passed an ordinance making it unlawful for anyone to harm these county treasures.



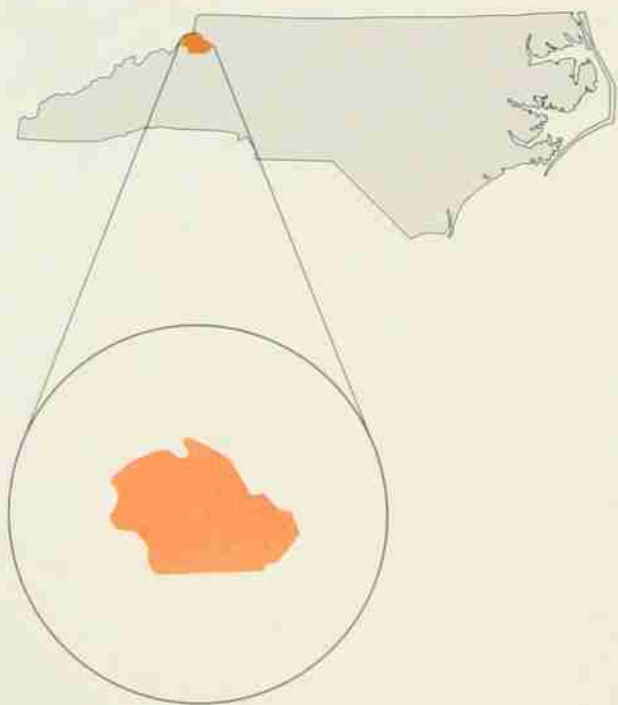
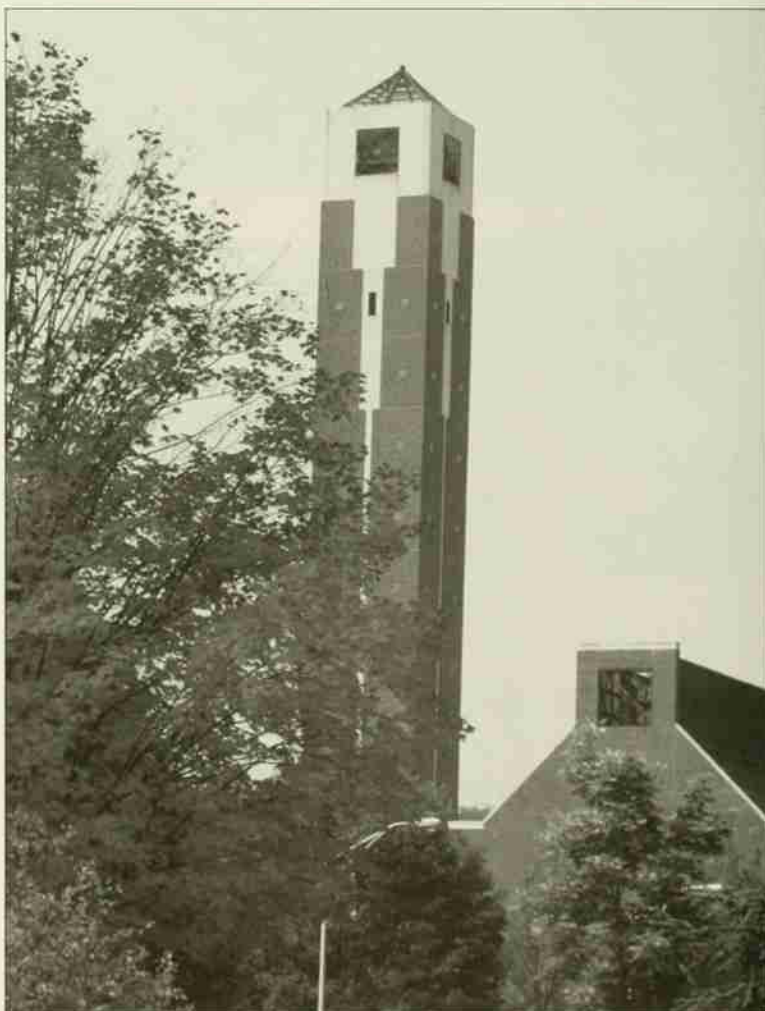


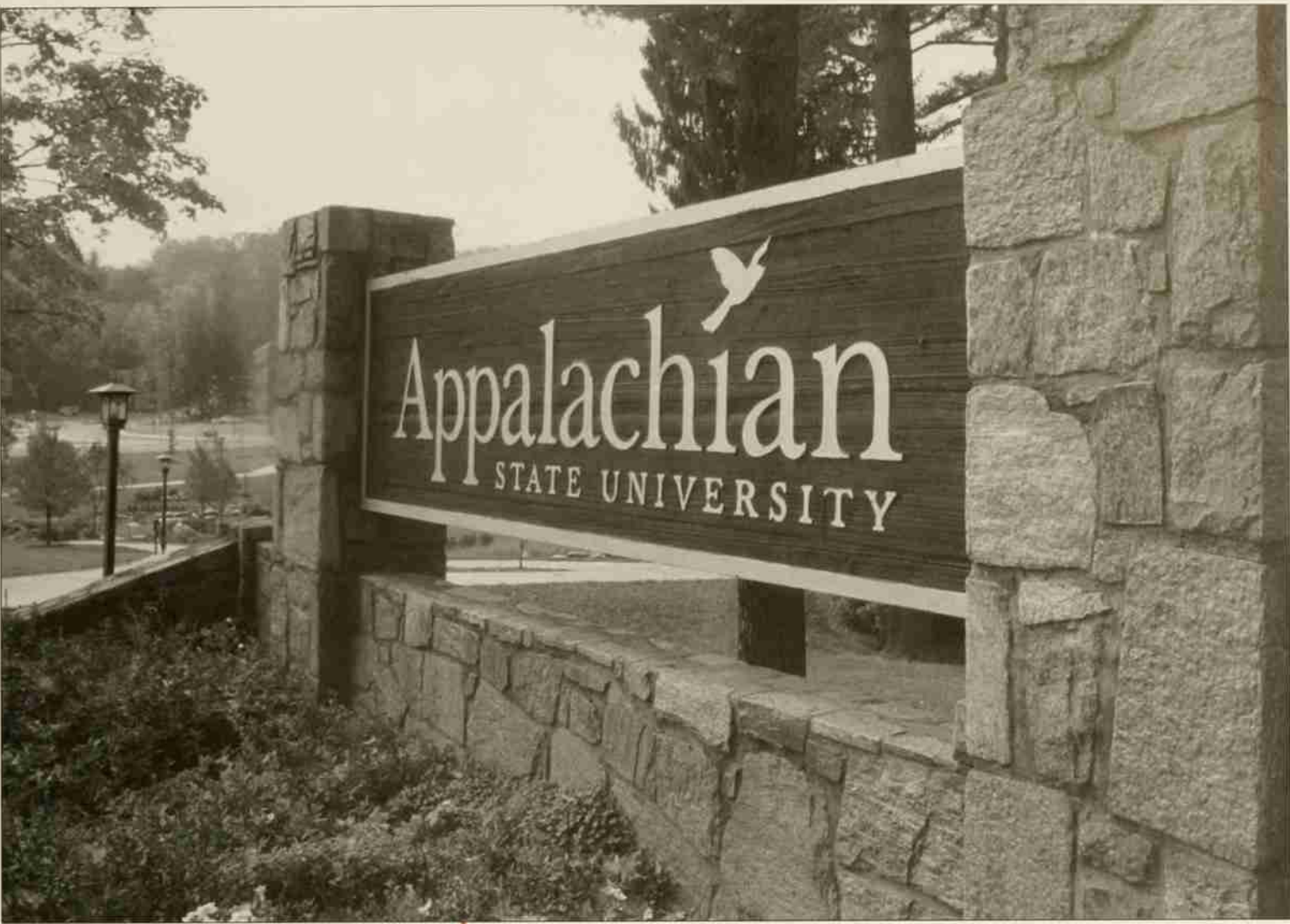
# WATAUGA COUNTY



COUNTY SEAT: Boone  
ELEVATION: 3,266 ft. above sea level  
LARGEST CITY: Boone  
TOTAL AREA: 312.55 sq. miles  
POPULATION (2000): 42,695  
POPULATION RANK: 56 OUT OF 100 COUNTIES  
POPULATION DENSITY: 136.62 per sq. mile

The towns of Banner Elk and Boone are both contained inside Watauga County. Watauga County lies in the beautiful Blue Ridge Mountains of northwestern North Carolina, considered to be some of the oldest mountains in the world. There are plenty of things to do in Watauga County, but it is best known for its great ski resorts, and beautiful nature trails. For the last fifteen years, Watauga County residents have been delighted to be within shouting distance of the annual MerleFest, a concert tributed to the lives and music of Doc and Merle Watson. Called a celebration of music Americana, the tradition continues to bring good mountain music every spring. Watauga County residents are invited every year to show off their most prized pets in the great Pet Show









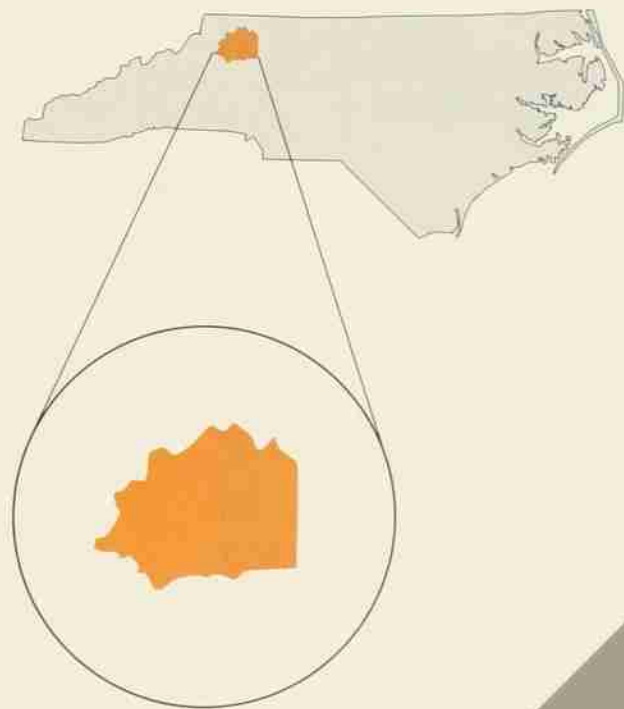


# WILKES COUNTY



COUNTY SEAT: Wilkesboro  
ELEVATION: 1,042 ft. above sea level  
LARGEST CITY: North Wilkesboro  
TOTAL AREA: 758.87 sq. miles  
POPULATION (2000): 65,632  
POPULATION RANK: 36 out of 100 counties  
POPULATION DENSITY: 86.68 per sq. mile

With towns like Boomer, Ferguson, and Hays, it is clear that Wilkes County is home to many mountain towns. With some of the most majestic campgrounds in America, Wilkes County is widely considered one of the best nature retreats a person can take. Fishing and hiking are common attractions, because of the great lengths the county has taken to preserve its natural setting. One of the year's highlights, the Rotary Club's annual Agricultural fair is held yearly in Worth Evans Tomlinson Park. With tons of agricultural exhibits for all ages, and a park full of exciting rides, it is obvious why residents get excited about the fair every fall.

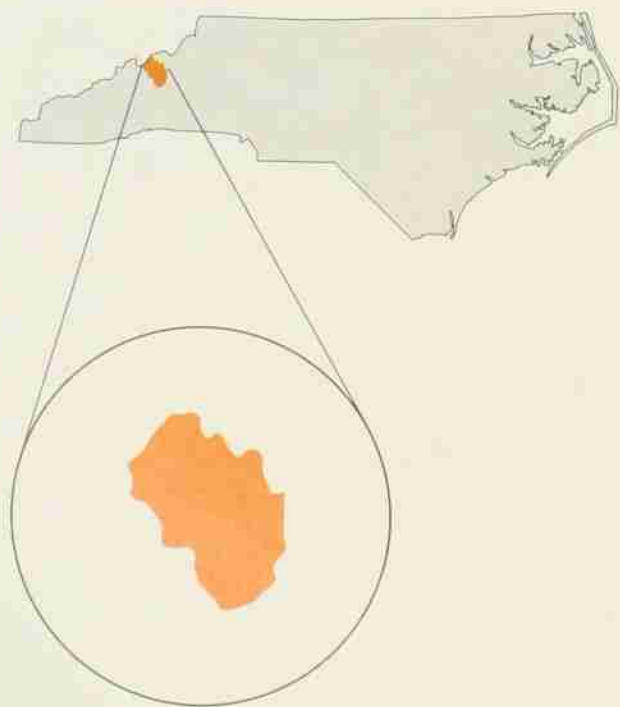
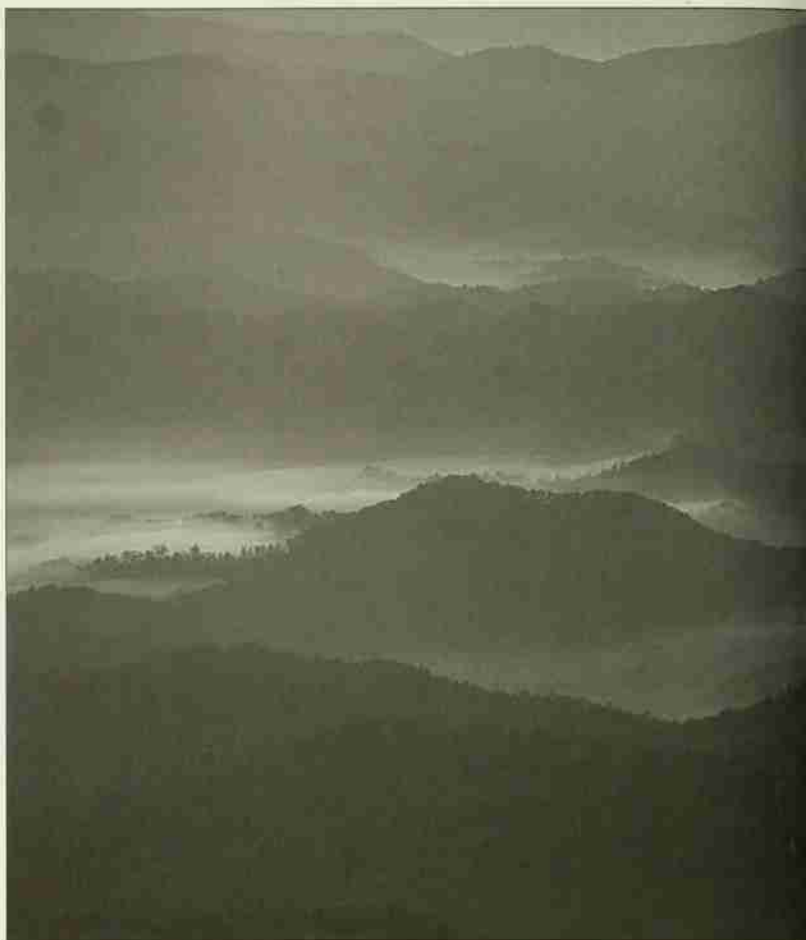


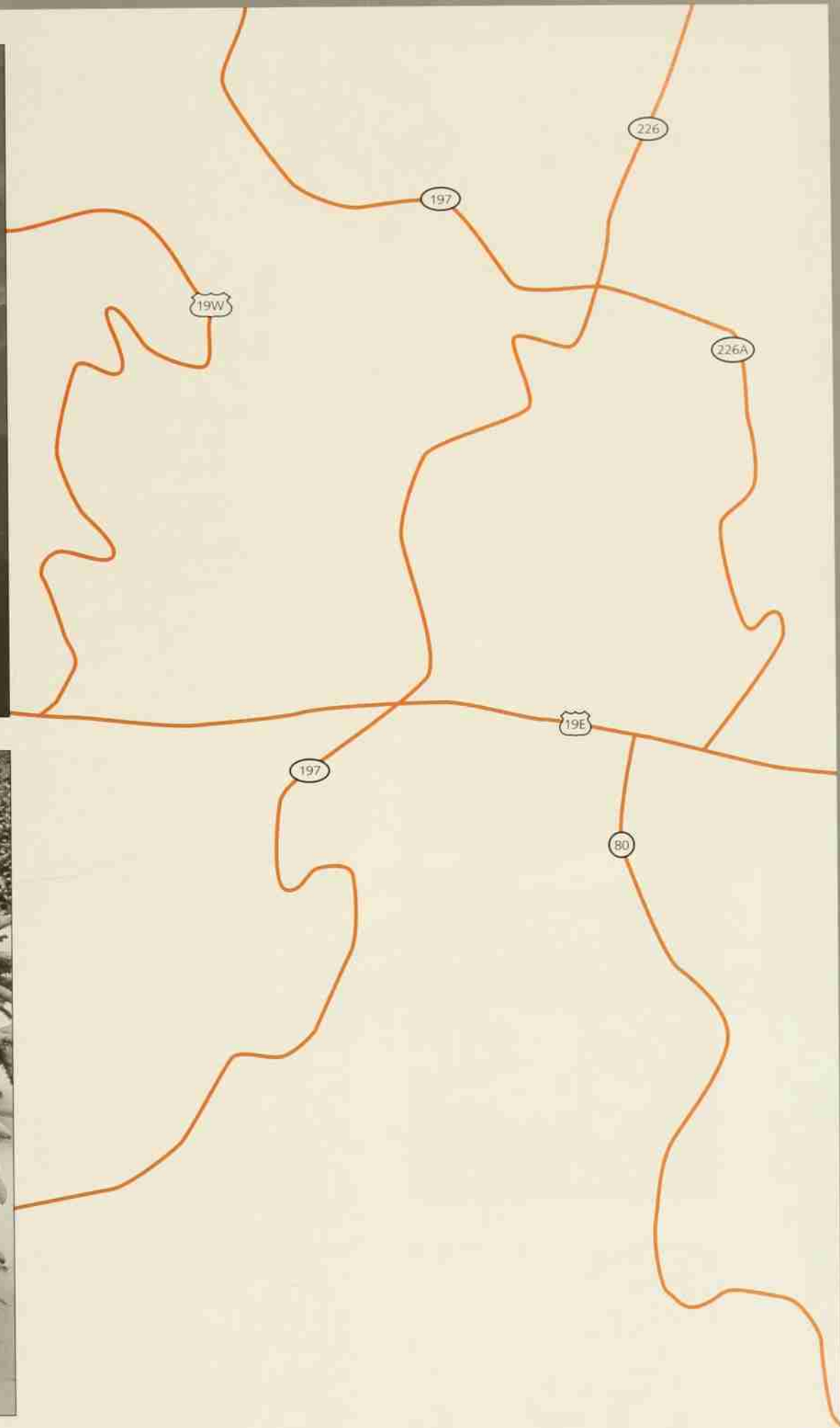
# YANCEY COUNTY



COUNTY SEAT: Burnsville  
ELEVATION: 2,817 ft. above sea level  
LARGEST CITY: Burnsville  
TOTAL AREA: 313.03 sq. miles  
POPULATION (2000): 17,774  
POPULATION RANK: 85 out of 100 counties  
POPULATION DENSITY: 56.89 per sq. mile

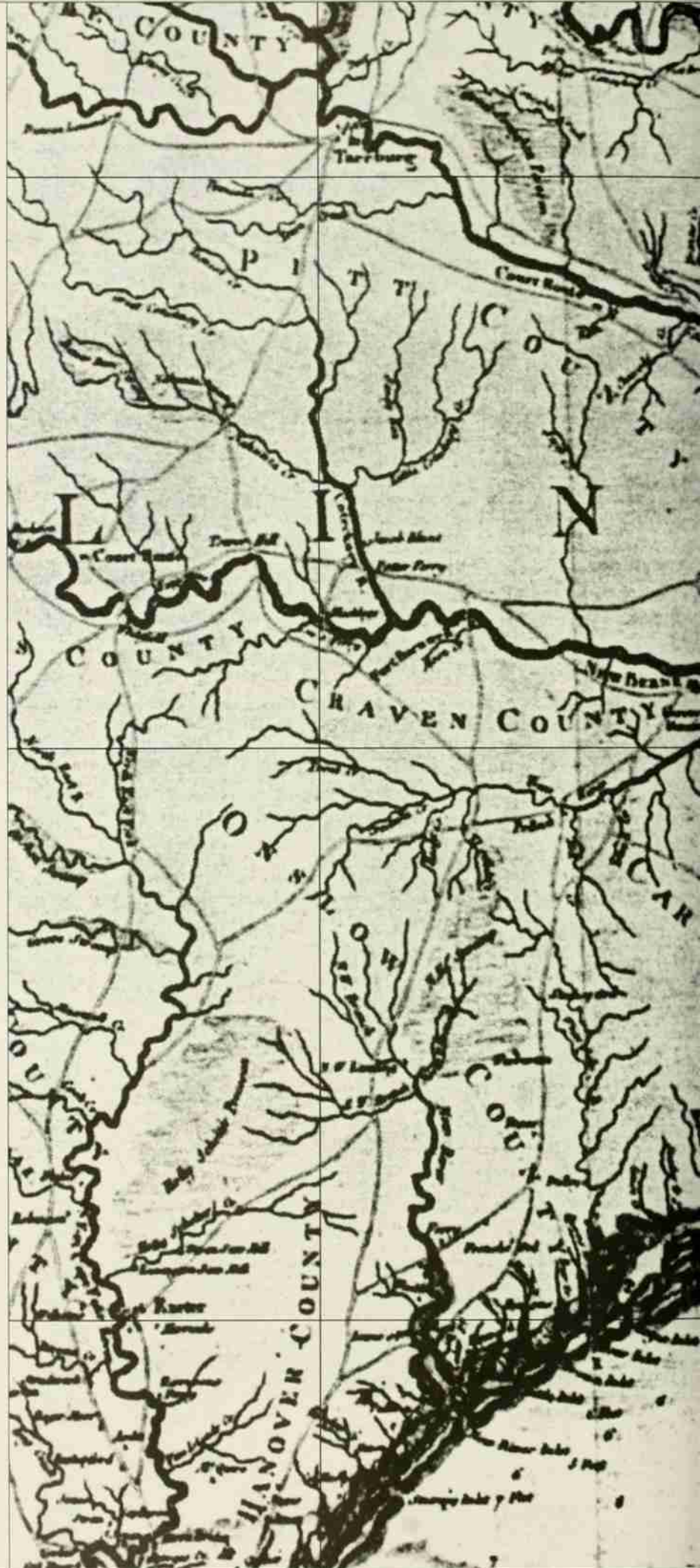
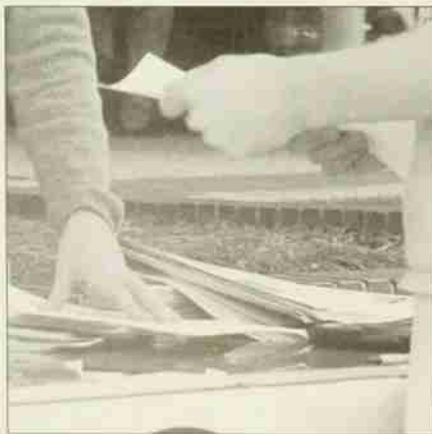
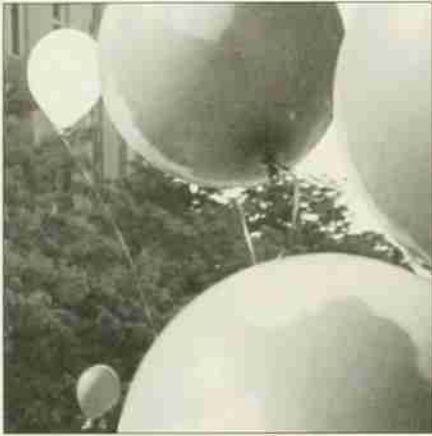
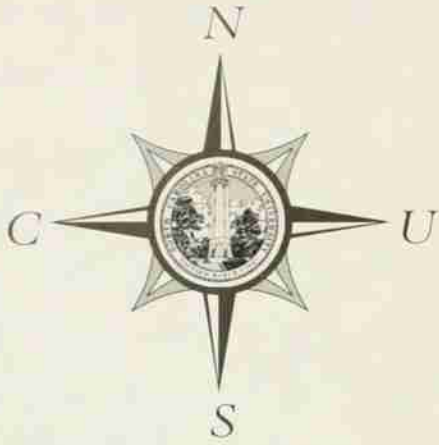
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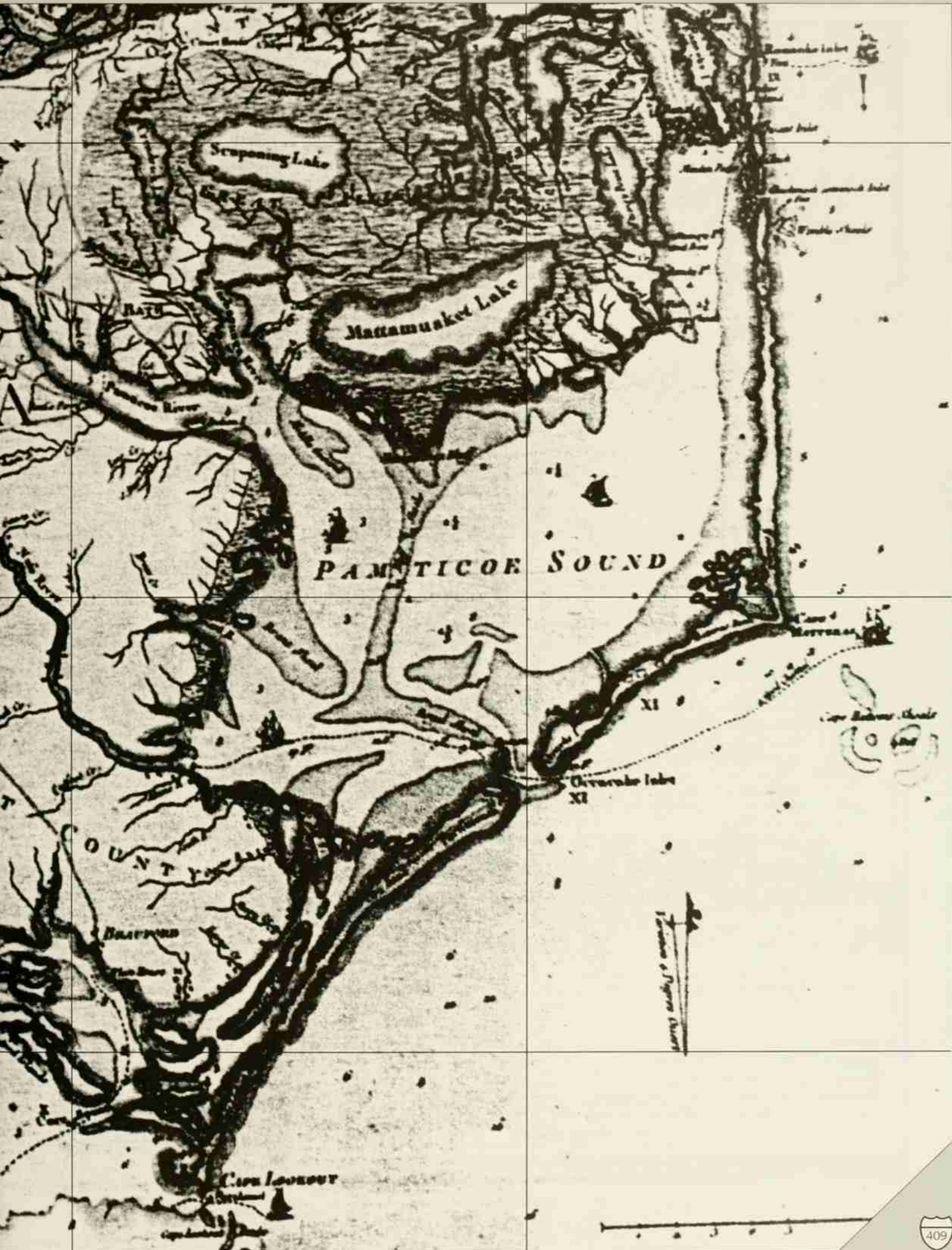
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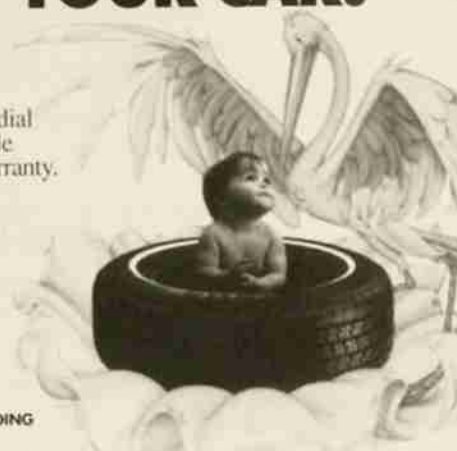
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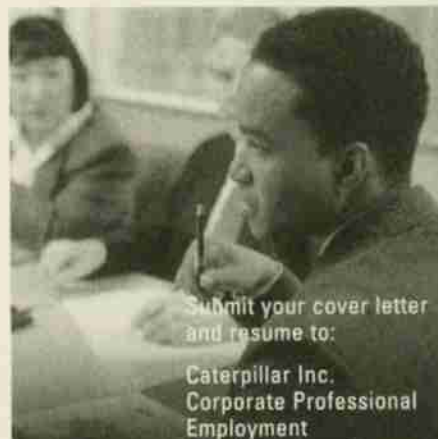
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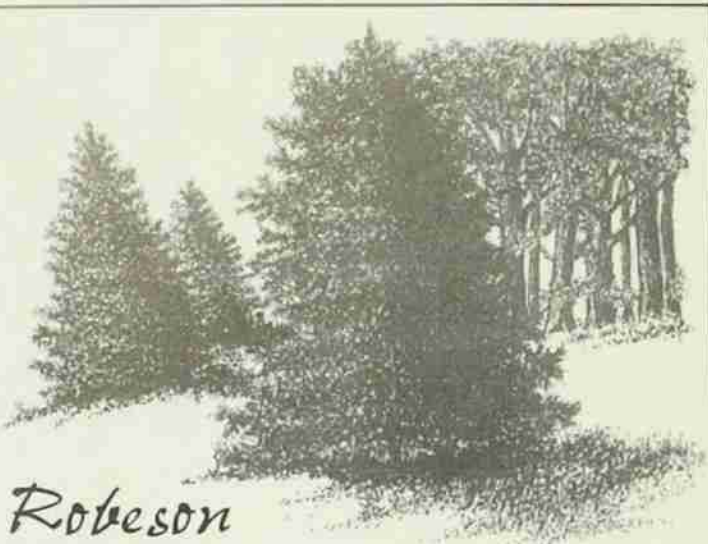
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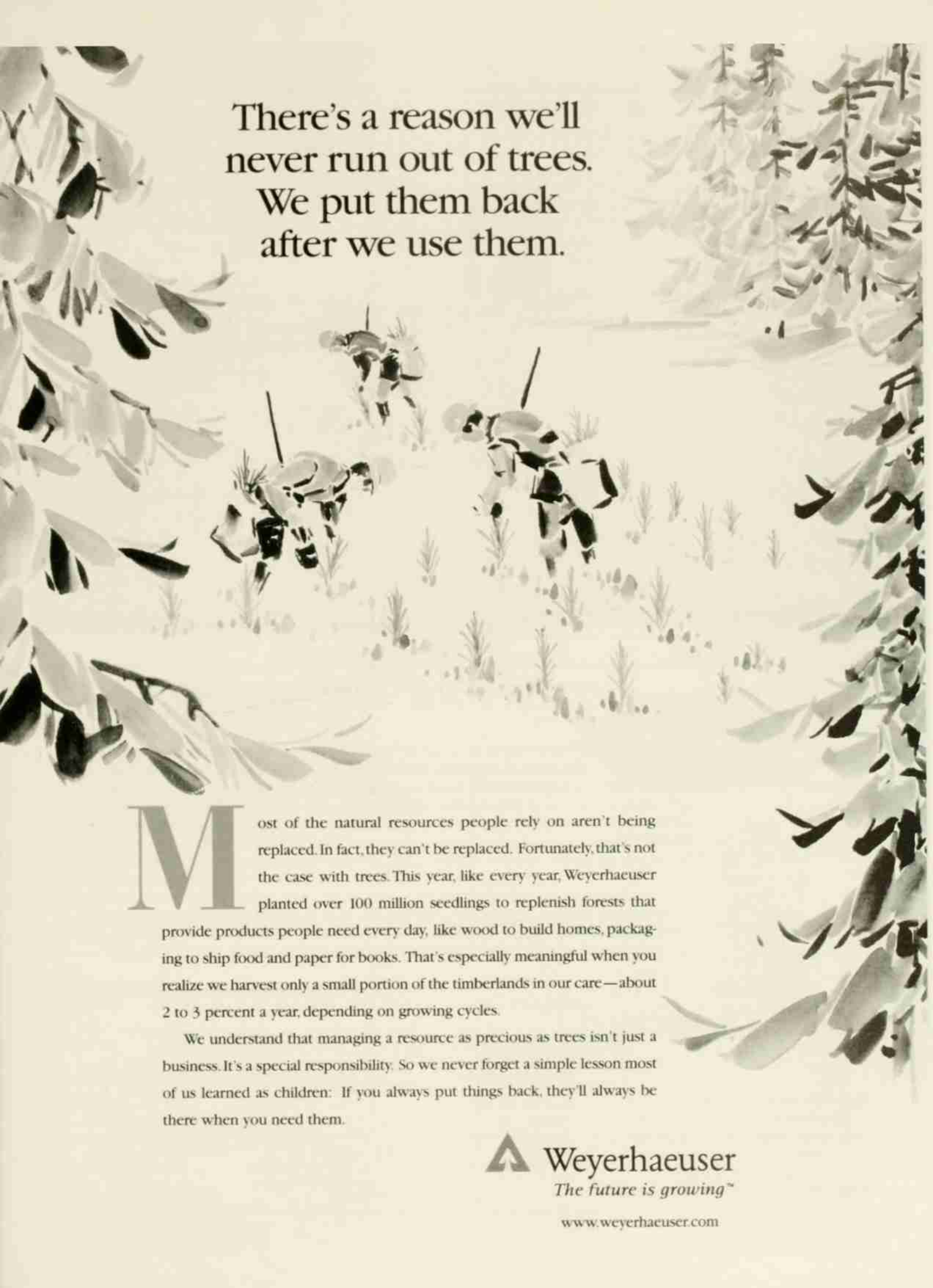
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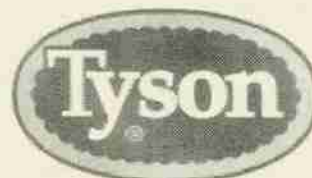
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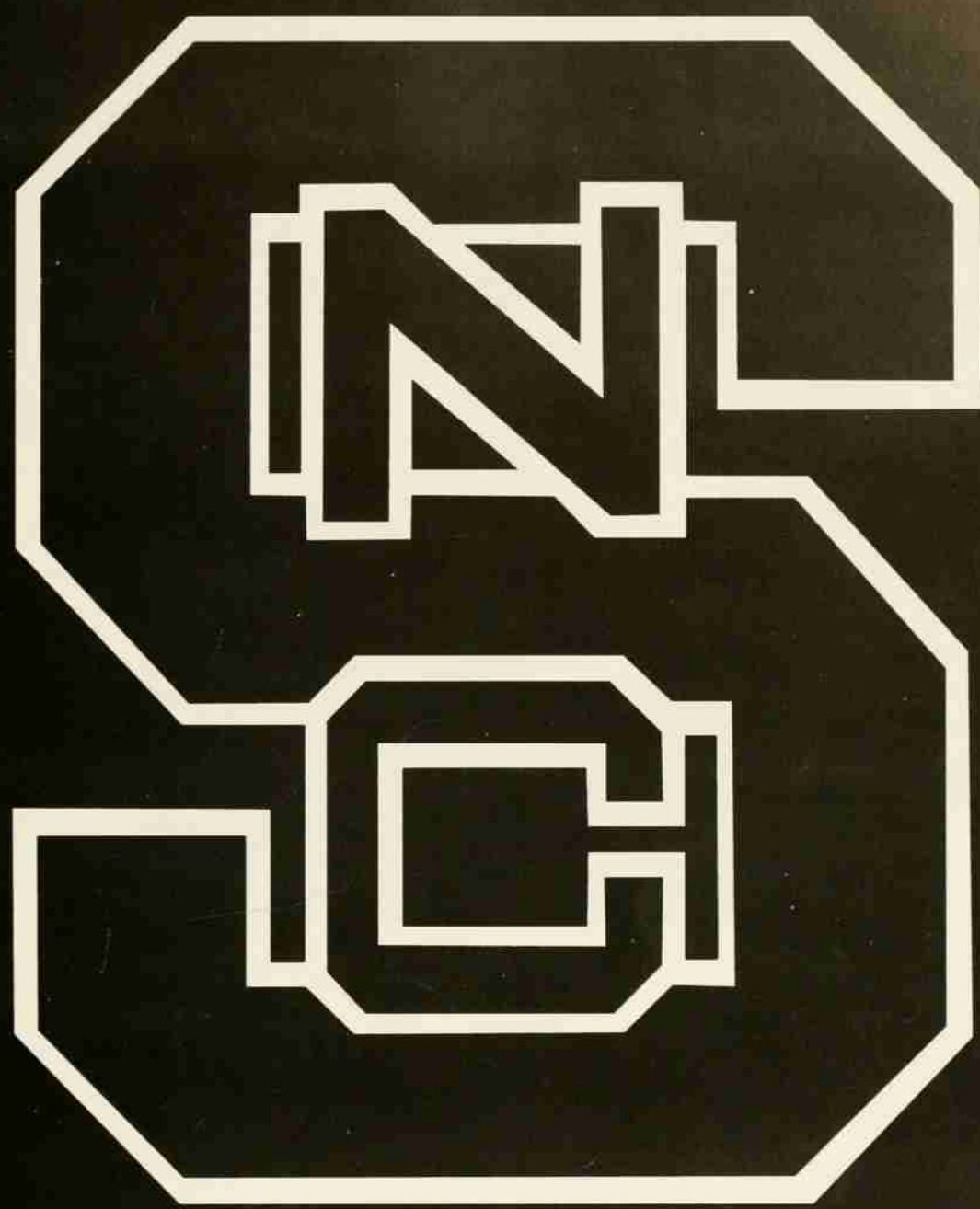


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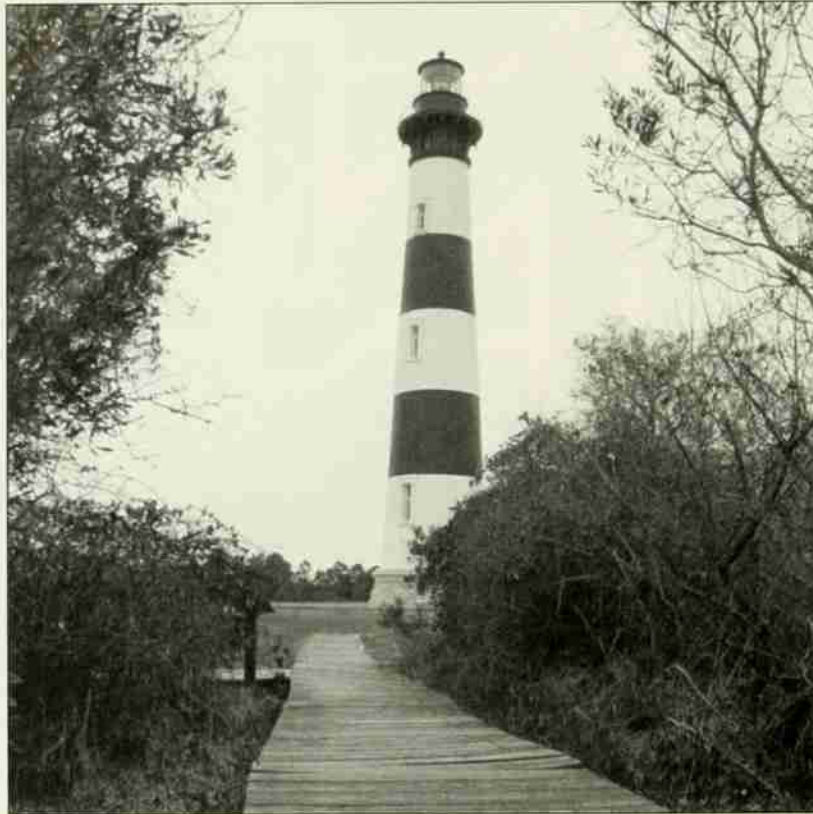


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COLORS: Red and Blue  
MOTTO: "Esse Quam Videri"  
SONG: "The Old North State"

#### THE OLD NORTH STATE

Carolina! Carolina! heaven's blessings attend her,  
While we live we will cherish, protect and defend her,  
Tho' the scorner may sneer at and wifings defame her,  
Still our hearts swell with gladness whenever we name her,  
Hurrah! Hurrah! the Old North State forever,  
Hurrah! Hurrah! the good Old North State.

Tho' she envies not others, their merited glory,  
Say whose name stands the foremost, in liberty's story,  
Tho' too true to herself e'er to crouch to oppression,  
Who can yield to just rule a more loyal submission.  
Hurrah! Hurrah! the Old North State forever,  
Hurrah! Hurrah! the good Old North State.

Then let all those who love us, love the land that we live in,  
As happy a region as on this side of heaven,  
Where plenty and peace, love and joy smile before us,  
Raise aloud, raise together the heart thrilling chorus.  
Hurrah! Hurrah! the Old North State forever,  
Hurrah! Hurrah! the good Old North State.











