

OCTOBER AUCTION - Light Construction students at College of The Albemarle completed this three - bedroom, 960 - square foot dwelling late this summer. On October 16, the college will sell the house at public auction. (COA Photo)

Adrian Backus Gains Recognition

Backus, native of Edenton, N.C. and graduate of the University of North Carolina, is presently



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BOSTON, MA. - Adrian serving as corporate corporated of New York counsel in Boston for Input City. **Output Computer Services. On September 12 the Voices** of Women Victorious and **Reverend Leroy Attles of St.** Paul AME Church of at the Swain Auditorium Cambridge, Mass., with an effort to raise presented Backus with an award of recognition for his needy students. He tremendous contribution to presently is preparing for the church and community

in the domain of gospel music. Backus is an af- Washington, D.C. and filiated song writer with tentatively the University of Broadcast Music In- Virginia at Charlottesville.

N.C. Watermelon Queen Chosen

Eddie Bunch, Secretary -Treasurer of the North Carolina Watermelon Association is pleased to

It is described as "semi finished," a term which mav Backus presented his music, both recorded and non - recorded, to the Edenton community in July

money for scholarships for gospel concerts and workshops in Boston,

Chowan County in the N.C. pageant was Susan Downum



and commode that are in-

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cluded, but not in place.

At high noon, on October 16, a dozen former College of worth? The answer to that question lies in the "willing The Albemarle students buyer, willing seller" rule of may lose a friend. For them. thumb realtors use as one it was the kind of friendship method to establish true that started from scratch,

Light Construction At C.O.A

and as one recalled, "sort of

grew from the ground up."

Although the friendship

lasted only a year, most

admitted they had learned a

great deal from the

The students were

enrolled in the Light Con-

struction program at COA.

Their "friend" is the three -

bedroom home they built on

- campus as a class project.

it will be offered for sale at

public auction by the

college. The 960 - square foot

structure was built so it can

be removed easily from its

be

On Saturday, October 16,

relationship.

present site.

market value. Dennis Burgess, COA occupational education director, estimates that the market value of the structure in its current state of completion is somewhere in the neighborhood of \$26,000 to \$28,000. "Present material and labor costs would indicate a selling price in that range," he

said. College officials do not anticipate making a profit from the sale, Dr. Gerald W. Bray, dean of administrative services, said. "We do want to regain the cost of the materials we have invested in the building, however," he said. Bray explained that the proceeds from the sale will be used to perpetuate the training project. "By doing this, the new class of Light

Construction students will have an opportunity to learn doing," the adby ministrator said. Prior to the October 16 sale date, prospective

bidders are encouraged to inspect the house any time between 9 A.M. until 4 P.M. each week day. Burgess said they can contact him by calling 335 - 0821, Extension 232.

The porcupine fish is covered with protective spines. For added protection it fills itself with water so that it resembles a prickly balloon.

Social Security Report

Lee E. Wallio **Field Representative** The Social Security Ad-

ministration (SSA) has announced plans for upgrading its computer operations.

The agency's computer capability impacts on almost everyone in the Albemarle area.

SSA's automatic date processing operation maintains records on 240 million workers, 36 million Social Security beneficiaries, and 4.1 million Supplemental Security Income recipients. Each year it processes

about 380 million wage reports from employers and 19 million transactions for persons already on the

Social Security rolls. The computer network handles 7.5 million new applications for benefits and 10 million requests for Social Security cards each year.

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not only increase productivity but also reduce the number of erraneous payments and other actions. In the past, efforts to

improve the agency's date processing system have emphasized the purchase of more computers and the employment of more people.

One result has been a patch - work affair that is now being strained to the limit.

Once computer modernization is complete, SSA will be able to keep individual earnings records more current.

One example illustrates the potential benefits of the modernization plan:

Implementing the annual cost - of - living adjustment now requires 20,000 hours of processing over a 4 - month period; once the upgraded system is in place, the job should be completed in a

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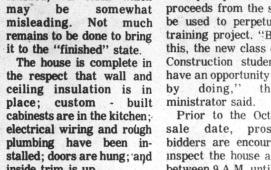
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