

Fayetteville Happenings

By Mrs. T.H. Kinney

Happy Birthday anniversary to Mrs. Price, Mrs. Bryant, Mrs. L. Hunter, Miss Kimberly Kersey, Miss Sarah Dalton, LeRoy Hodges and all others who were born during the days of this wonderful and magnificent season.

Don't forget to serve some Christmas tradition — this year include your cider and eggnog, etc.

How did you enjoy your live Christmas tree this year?

Hopefully you are truly enjoying this wonderful season.

Miss Jean Jacqueline Felton and Bobby Ray Beyard of Fort Bragg were married Saturday at 4 p.m., in the First Baptist Church. The Rev. C.R. Edwards officiated at the wedding ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Felton of Fayetteville. The bridegroom is the son of Mrs. Bernice M. Miles of Alexandria, La.

The bride's parents hosted a reception in the church fellowship hall following the ceremony.

The bride is a graduate of Winston-Salem State University and is employed by the Cumberland County Board of Education at Hope Mills Junior High School. She is also the director of the Holland Homes Day Care Center.

The bridegroom is serving in the U.S. Army at Fort Bragg. Friends of Miss Felton held a bridal shower for her on Tuesday evening prior to the wedding ceremony.

Miss Vivian Michelle Burton of Atlanta, Ga., and Captain Rodney Howard of Fort Bragg were married Saturday afternoon in St. Patrick Catholic Church. The Rev. John Richardson officiated at the ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Simpson Burton.

Jr., of Fayetteville. The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. James Howard, Sr., of Parkin, Arkansas.

The bride is a graduate of North Carolina A&T State University in Greensboro. She is a senior caseworker with the Child Service and Family Counseling Center in Atlanta, Ga.

The bridegroom is a graduate of the University of Arkansas in Pine Bluff, Arkansas. He is currently in the U.S. Army serving as maintenance officer with the 35th Signal Brigade at Fort Bragg.

The couple will live in Fayetteville.

An impressive Candle Light Service was enjoyed on Sunday evening at First Baptist Church on Moore Street. Christmas songs were sung after which the pastor Dr. C.R. Edwards delivered the message.

Members of the Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc., celebrated their annual Winter Ball on Friday night passed at the Lakeview Country Club. Music was rendered by the Mello-Madness Group. Christmas cheer and spirit spread throughout the evening.

Many college and university students were welcomed home during the past week.

Members of La Madrinna Toastmistress Club met and held their regular meeting on Monday night.

Sincere sympathy to the family of the late Mrs. Vivian Haithman who died in Los Angeles, California, Mrs. Haithman was funeralized in Fayetteville.

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1981 Weather In Review

By Elson Armstrong, Jr.
Unlike 1980, which gave Durhamites heavy doses of extremes (remember the blizzard, record consecutive 100-degree heat days and the four small tornadoes?), 1981 was a

more bland year, but it did have its highlights which included: A surge of very hot weather from mid-June to mid-July which included Durham's hottest nights ever — the warmest being a torrid

evening in late June on which the mercury didn't fall below 82°. Downtown Durham was sited with at least three 110° days and the Raleigh-Durham Airport, normally an area cool spot, recorded its hottest day in over four years in July when the thermometer there hit 100°.

Although there was little severe weather in the Triangle this past year, residents just northeast of Durham saw what they described as a small tornado rip up a row of trees on July 24. A confirmed tornado a few days earlier caused considerable damage in Person County thirty miles north of Durham.

Durham was gently buffeted by two tropical storms during the summer. The first over the July 4 weekend caused a flash flood of the Eno River.

August and September

were the coolest in years with temperatures struggling to reach 90°.

The year's biggest story had to be the drought which has persisted over most of North Carolina for two years. By October, Durham lawns and gardens turned brown due to the lack of moisture. Most leaves even fell from the trees early because of the drought.

By December, even though rainfall had increased in Durham, the city remained about seven inches below normal for the year. During an average year Durham receives approximately 46 inches of rain.

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Bill Cosby To Speak For Sickle Cell

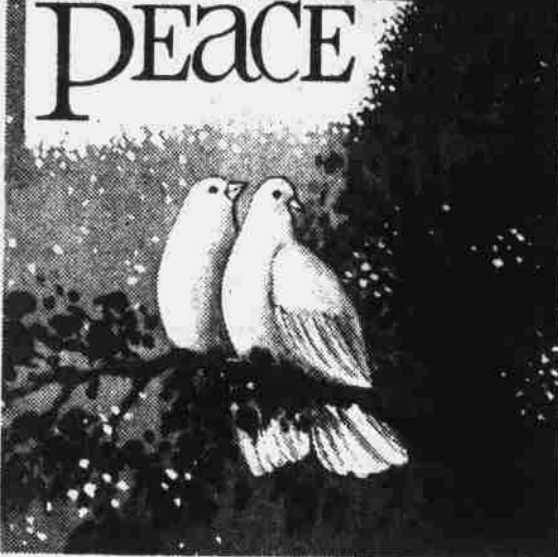
LOS ANGELES — Bill Cosby will serve as national honorary chairman for the National Association of Sickle Cell Disease, Inc. (NASCD) on radio and television announcements across the country, according to Dr. Charles F. Whitten, national president.

Dr. Whitten said that the Cosby spots will launch the health agency's most comprehensive public awareness campaign and educational program to date. "We feel that Mr. Cosby's positive image will enhance our messages and properly educate the public regarding facts about sickle cell anemia and research funding needs," Whitten said.

Sickle cell anemia is an inherited blood disease which affects black Americans. One out of 500 blacks has been estimated to have sickle cell anemia, and one out of twelve blacks has

sickle cell trait. Other races who have been found to have sickle cell trait include those of Mediterranean descent — Spanish, Greek, Italian, Sicilian, Turkish and East Indian.

The NASCD and its affiliate member organizations participate in a variety of activities to keep the public aware of the impact and implications of sickle cell anemia. Programs include counselor training, preparation and distribution of educational materials worldwide, conducting workshops and seminars, providing technical assistance at the national, state and local levels. Under the leadership of the NASCD, hundreds of genetic counselors have been trained in many communities in the United States, Africa, and the Bahamas to provide non-directive sickle cell trait counseling.

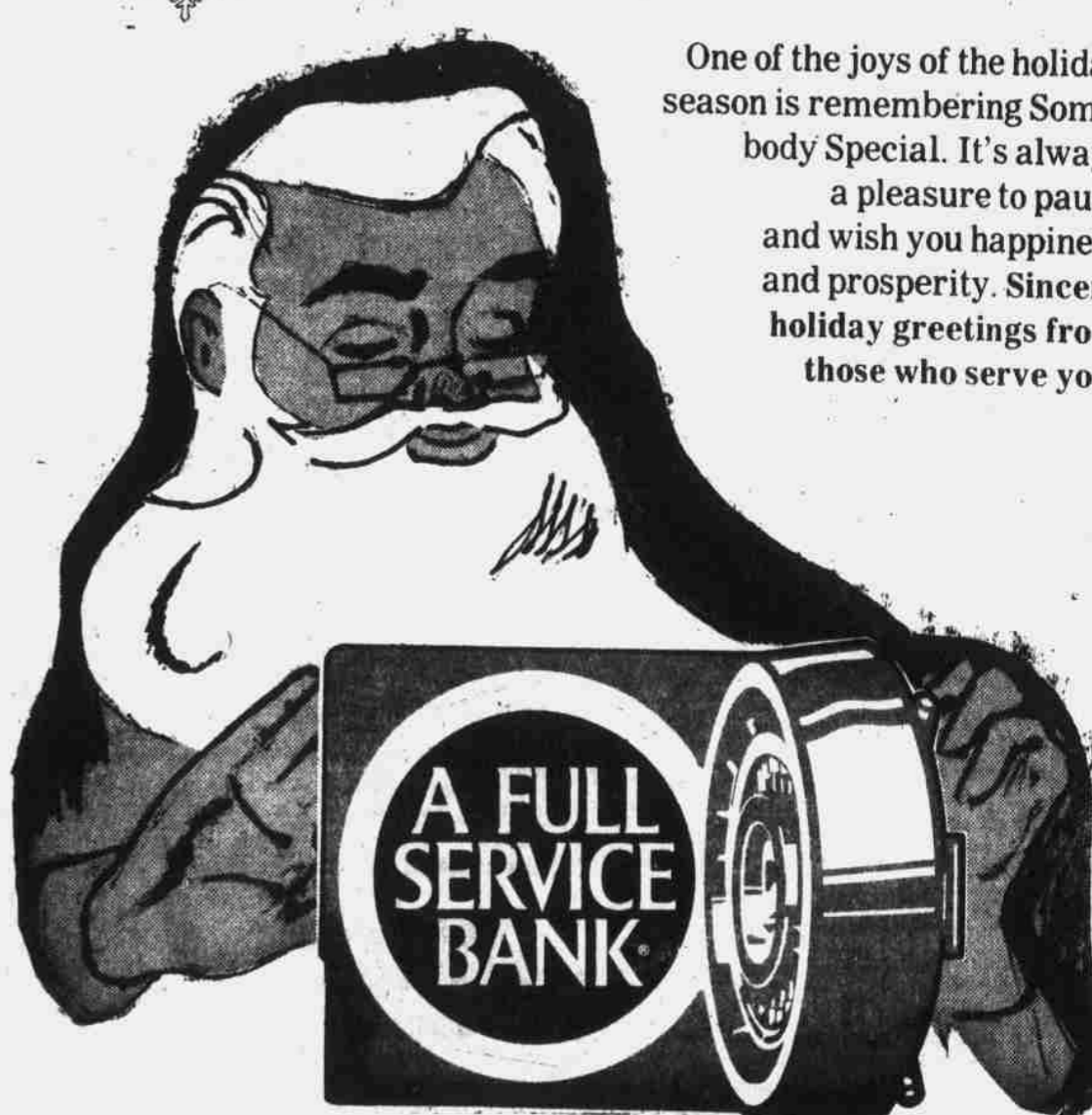


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