

#### Halifax, N. C. Broadnax, Va. Kinston, N. C. DECORATION **Girls In Wright Dorm Win Door Decorations Contest**

For the fourth year, the Louisburg Garden Club sponsored a Christmas Room Door Decoration project within the girls' dormitories at Louisburg College.

Members of the Civic Project Committee of the Garden Club are Mrs. Mary Lumpkin, Chairman; Mesdames Louis Scoggin; James Whless, and Louis Wheless, who judged the doors. Ribbons were given in each dormitory for first, second, and third place and to the best decorated door on campus went tri-color ribbons and a box of Whitman's Candy.

The door that received the tri-color award was in Wright Dorm and was decorated by Mary Boone, Halifax, N. C.; Donna Dugger, Broadnax, Va., and Linda Rhew, Kinston, N. C. The girls used the traditional Christmas colors of .red and green displayed on a background of gold paper to portray their message of "Joy to the World" , which was written in red velvet letters beneath which were three candles made of red velvet as was a minature town of Bethlehem with a star above. At the base of the candles was an artistic bouquet of snow-sprayed magnolia leaves tied with a lovely red and green velvet bow. The over all appearance of the door was very appealing to the eye and the detailed work of the whole decoration was excellent.

The other winners in Wright Dorm

#### **Trash Dump** Shooting Prohibited

Target and practice shooting at the

were: First place (blue ribbon) Donna Powell, Wallace, N. C., and Joan Digh of Raleigh, N. C. Their theme was "Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer". Second place (red ribbon) Kay Nethercutt, Snow Hill, N. C. and Pat Mill-er, Chesapeake, Va., who used neatly made Christmas candles with red flame upon background of green paper. Third place (yellow ribbon) Elanor Tyson, Vanceboro, N. C., Elizabeth LaRue, Rocky Mount, N. C., Patsy Harris, Burlington, N. C., whose theme was "Seasons Greetings."

The girls in Wright Dorm receiving honorable mention were as follows: Jan Hunter, Ridgewood, N. J., and Ann Hopkins, Cheriton, Va., whose theme was "For Unto Us A Child is Born." Carol Myrick, Greensboro, N. C. and Connie May, Zebulon, N. C., who constructed on a background of green, a very attractive lamppost with a Christmas wreath.

Susan Gay, Zebulon, N. C. and Millie Fordham, Kinston, N. C., who used approximately 50 Christmas cards to cover their door and express: "The Meaning of Christmas Through Song." See DECORATIONS Page 4

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# **Talton Reports "The 100' Had Successful Year**

The third annual "100" Banquet at Louisburg College brought over 170 supporters to the B.N. Duke College Cafeteria Friday evening, December

"The 100" is a yearly financial support effort for Louisburg College in which members contribute to the various phases of the college program in amounts of \$100 or more.

"100" Chairman J. Harold Talton reported on gifts of \$100 or more since the last report in December, 1966: \$13,880 for the operating budget; \$37, 350 for the development fund; and \$2,700 for scholarships--a total of \$53,930 for the year. Mr. Talton told the group that of the \$64,000 in the free grant and work scholarship pro-gram for students this year, some \$32,000 is being received by students from Franklin, Vance, Warren, Wake, Durham and Nash counties. He said that in a very real sense the "100" program was an investment in our own young people. After the Louisburg College Chapel

Choir presentation of Chirstmas music Dr. Cecil W. Robbins, president of the College, was surprised on his birthday by a huge cake aglow with candles and the gift of a country ham from Food Services Manager, Bill Beckham.

Dr. Robbins expressed his appreciation to the supporters, saying that colleges today must receive more support than ever before. He indicated that for the operating budget the college receives approximately \$250,000 from various sources, which represents 35% of all general and educational costs. "The students are currently paying 65% of these costs," he said.

The college president introduced to the audience Mrs. Lina Welch of Louisburg, whose son Mr. James Welch of Cambridge, Mass., has named a

**Board Eyes Boarding Home** 

The Board of County Commissioners, meeting in special session here last Friday, talked with a Kinston, N.C. builder about prospects for a new Boarding Home for the county. Frances A. Holt discussed the subject and showed drawings of buildings that he said he believed would be adequate and meet state requirements.

The county has been without a Boarding Home facility since November of last year when the property was sold to Carolina Fine Woods Company for the purpose of building a plant on the site. Since that time and

Although, not of their making, the Commissioners have been severly criticized over the lack of such a facility here, particularly since the giant electronic firm made its disheartening

announcement. Negotiations have been going on for some time with at least one constructor and perhaps more, for construction of a boarding home. For the most part, the discussions have been kept quiet by the Commissioners.

No action was taken at Friday's meeting and it was not learned what, if anything, is to be done about the matter. It was reliably reported that

Mr. Holt and members of the Board

cruised the area looking at possible

scholarship program in his mother's honor and in memory of his father, Mr. Robert Welch.

Chairman Talton, a trustee of the college, introduced the other local college trustees and their wives: Judge and Mrs. Hamilton H. Hobgood; Dr. and Mrs. John T. Loyd; Mr. and Mrs. John H. Hodges; Mr. and Mrs. Edward F. Yarborough; Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Lumpkin; and Mrs. Talton.

Words of appreciation for the year's fund raising effort were also expressed by David E. Daniel, Director of College Relations, who co-ordinated the

overall program. The Duke Cafeteria was beautifully decorated with hemlock roping interspersed with nandina berries. Candles lighted the table arrangements throughout. The head table decorations featured the Christmas red poinsettias with the seasonal minature reindeer. Professor Al Wright of the college English Department led the entire group in singing "joy to the World" and "Silent Night", after which the program concluded.

Out-of-town guest included Mr. and Mrs. Harry J. Harles of Rocky Mount, Mr. and Mrs. Hal Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Hooks, Mr. and Mrs. Duffy L. Paul, Mrs. Ruth L. Wethington, and Dr. and Mrs. M.D. Hill, all of Raleigh, Dr. and Mrs. A. Rosenstein of Durham, Mr. and Mrs. E.T. Hearne, Jr., Henderson, and Mr. and Mrs. Lynwood Jones of Kenbridge, Virginia.

### **Beasleys To Head Campaign**

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph E. Beasley of Louisburg have been appointed Directors for the Franklin County 1968 March of Dimes Campaign, it was announced today by Clarence W. Walker, Volunteer State Chairman.

"It's time we stop telling ourselves that birth defects strike only at 'other people' and 'other people's children'," Mr. and Mrs. Beasley said. "A birth defect can hit any family, rich or poor, any race, any nationality.

"Birth defects are this nation's second greatest destroyer of life, claiming approximately half a million unborn babies each year and killing 60,000 of our children and adults," they de-clared. "More than 250,000 American bables are born each year with a



**401 Accident** 

## **Heaviest Rains Since** August Hit County

Rain-slick highways brought on a number of relatively minor accidents during the weekend with considerable property damage reported to automobiles involved in the mishaps.

G. O. Kennedy, Louisburg weatherman, reported this morning the area. received 2.03 inches of rain for the largest amount of precipitation since

defect, and an estimated 15 million persons of all ages have one or more defect that affects their daily lives." The Directors said that the March of Dimes, which won the fight against polio, attacks birth defects by financing research and supporting more than 90 birth defects centers at major medical institutions throughout the United States.

Mr. Beasley is a native of Louisburg and owns and operates the Beasley Wholesale Company. He is a Mason. "In our State alone," they said, "every year there are an estimated 6,800 babies born with defects. How long can men and women of good will tolerate the suffering and heartache that this total represents?"

the last of August when five inches was recorded in a six day period. Kennedy said the reading for the 24hour period ending Sunday at 7 A.M. was .17 inches and that the reading on Monday morning was 1.06. The rainfall in the last 24 hour period amounted to .8 inches to bring the threeday total to 2.03.

Eight Pages Today

Tar River is continuing to rise today, according to Kennedy. Readings reported by Kennedy are as follows: Sunday A.M. 2.65 feet; Monday A.M. 3.35 ft. and Tuesday A.M. 7.90 ft. A single car accident on U. S. 401 about three miles south of Louisburg Saturday afternoon around 3:30 resulted in damage to an overturned car. George F. Green, 27-year-old Louisburg, Rt. 2, Negro escaped without injury. Ronald Marks, 20, of Rt. 3, Zebulon, was found in 'serious condition around 9 p.m. Sunday night following an accident on N. C. 58 near Castalia. He was treated at Franklin Memorial Hospital and transferred to a Raleigh Hospital.

A number of other minor crashes were reported, several in the Louisburg area, but no injuries were recorded. Most of the mishaps were blamed on fog shrouded and rain slick highways during the past couple of days.

#### Mrs. Breattie O'Neal Is Artist Of Month

city trash dump on East River Road has reached alarming proportions, according to Roy Holmes, Supt. of Maintenance for the town of Louisburg. Holmes reports that he is unable to find anyone willing to work at the dump because of the danger of being accidentally shot.

Holmes says that any further shooting at the site will result in an indictment against the violator. He points out that the area is private property, leased by the town.

He relates that the regular man employed at the dump quit some time ago when his lunch pail was shot from atop the shed at the dump. Many of those shooting at the site, says Holmes, do not realize that they are committing a crime and possibly endangering lives. Most are young boys, he adds.

after the old structure was torn down, the Sylvania affiliated company has announced that it will not locate in Louisburg.

#### **Rainy Day Meter Check Planned**

The practice of parking downtown without paying the meter on rainy days is coming to a screeching halt. The tradition of not checking meters when its raining will be stopped.

This is the word from Louisburg Police Chief Earl Tharrington, who announced Monday that the practice will discontinue immediately. "We have gotten to the place where we will have to check meters on rainy days". Chief Tharrington said.

He did not elaborate, but it is known

that many businesses downtown had registered complaints in the past about cars sitting in parking places all day on rainy days. Many clerks and business owners have been using the streets as parking places when the meters were not being checked, according to reports.

Meters are checked in Louisburg between the hours of 9 A.M. and 5:30 P.M. daily except Sunday when there is no check made. This, now will include rainy days.

# Berger Is National Test Finalist, Jr. Rotarian Of The Month

James L. Berger, Jr., Louisburg High School senior, is one of the eleven North Carolina twelfth-graders selected as national winners in the Achievement Awards Program of the National Council of Teachers of English. The announcement of finalists was made this week.

Final judges of the 1967 competition among nearly 8,000 students, from every state, were heads of college or university English departments. Initial screening of examinations and essays was done by English teachers from leading high schools and colleges across the United States, Decisions were based on the written materials required of each student. These in-cluded standardized tests in composition and of literary awareness, in addition to three compositions (an auto-biography, a prepared composition to represent the student's best writing,

and an impromptu theme). The National Council of Teachers of English awards to finalists scrolls in recognition of their achievement, and

recommends them to colletes and universities as candidates for scholar-See JR. ROTARIAN Page 4

The Louisburg Rotary Club has selected James Lipscomb Berger, Jr., a senior at Louisburg High School as Junior Rotarian for the month of December, according to an announcement made by Ed Pittman, Club President. Berger is the second local senior to be selected in the Rotary Clubs program of honoring outstanding young men in the area. Billy Fuller of Louisburg was selected in November.

Young Berger is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J.L. Berger, Sr. of Ford Circle, Louisburg and holds a number of top honors in his school. He is a member of the basketball squad, was a class officer as a sophomore and has ser-ved on the staff of the school newspaper for three years.

Scholastically, he is at the top of his class and has been chosen as the most "intellectual senior" and the senior most likely to succeed by his classmates. He was selected for Governor's School last year and was a

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Mrs. Breattie C. O'Neal, well-known local businesswoman and wife of the late F.L. O'Neal, is the artist of the month selected by the Fine Arts Department of the Louisburg Woman's Club, Mrs. Jack Ayscue, Chairman of the department, announces Mrs. O'Neal as the first artist to be recognized in the program for this club year. Mrs. O'Neal is currently displaying a painting in pastels entitled, "Spring Bonnet" at the Franklin County Library. Her second picture to be displayed the last half of the month is a portrait in oils.

A native of Selma, Johnston County, North Carolina, Mrs. O'Neal owns and operates O'Neal Pharmacy, is member of the Town Council, Louisburg Baptist Church, The O'Henry Book Club and is a member of a local bridge club. She has one daughter, Mrs. E.F. Kimball, and three grandchildren.

Breattie, as she is known to most, attended Woman's College at Greensboro, but did not have any formal art training. She studied under Mrs.

**Bank Honors** Personnel

Staff members of First-Citizens Bank & Trust Company in Franklinton, Louisburg, and Bunn are to be honored by the Bank next week for service and loyalty to the financial firm and its customers.

Receiving unique service pins and personal letters of commendation from First-Citizens' President Lewis R. Holding will be Mrs. Levole K. Senter of Franklinton; Mrs. Ella Rowe of Louisburg; and John Bennett of Bunn, each with five years of continuous service.

Special pins will go to 168 of the Bank's personnel across the State this year, 109 women and 59 men. The group has complied a total of 1671 years of service. Currently, some 37% of all the 1500-plus First Citizens personnel have been with the bank for five years or longer.

Stuart Davis, of Louisburg. She has always wanted to paint, even before the death of her husband. She later studied under John Wallner of Wake Forest, and the Decorative Arts Institute of Wichita, Kansas. Says Breattie of her talent and interest in painting, "wonderful therapy," and that she has "a need to create things and painting presents a challenge and is easy enough to be fun rather than work."

She works in pastels and oils media and does portraits more than any-

thing else. Her work is light and airy, as indicated in "Spring Bon-net." The colors are gay and sing of spring. One can tell she truly paints "for the children." "The miracle of color awaits any painter who wades into it with a paint brush and determination."

> She states very well how painting can be therapeutic as well as satisfying to the individual. "The paint brush is an ideal springboard for your own creative originality."



