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## Agency Gets New Head

Franklin-Vance-Warren Opportunity, Inc., announced today the appointment of a new executive director, the Rev. Fred Hege of Winston-Salem, N. C. He assumed his duties the 20th of this month.

Hege served as a minister of the Moravian Church in Winston-Salem and Forsyth County since graduating from the Moravian College and Theological Seminary in 1956. He served there as a pastor and most recently as the Associate General Secretary of the Board of Christian Education and Evangelism. While with the board, his specific responsibilities were in the areas of youth and camp work.

The Moravian Church is the oldest Protestant denomination, founded in 1415 following the martyrdom of John Hus in Prague, Czechoslovakia. Moravians are more familiar in North Carolina as the founders of the Salem community, now a part of Winston-Salem.

While serving in the Winston-Salem area, Hege was active in the development of the junior high school program as well as other efforts to meet the needs of youth in the community. He was also an instructor in Religion at the Salem Academy, a Moravian preparatory school for girls.

Hege will reside with his family in the Louisburg area and will have offices at the Law Building in Henderson. He and his wife have four children, three sons and a daughter.

Franklin-Vance-Warren Opportunity, Inc. is the local agency of the Office of Economic Opportunity. It currently operates a Head Start program for 350 pre-school children, a Neighborhood Youth Corps which provides part-time jobs and training for 75 youths, and a food and medical supplement program aiding many persons in Warren and Franklin counties.

## Former Police Chief Passes

C. Felton Cash, Sr., 61, former Louisburg Chief of Police, died early Monday morning at his home here. He was a retired merchant.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday at 11 A.M. at Lancaster Funeral Home Chapel conducted by Rev. Aubrey S. Tomlinson. Burial will follow in Oakwood Cemetery.

Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Winston Davis of Louisburg and Mrs. W. H. Lewis, Jr. of Farmville; one son, C. F. Cash, Jr. of the home; one sister, Mrs. Lillian C. Roberts of Cary; one brother, H. J. Cash of Louisburg and two grandchildren.

## Helen Tucker On The Way As Novelist

Helen Tucker of Church Street, Louisburg and Raleigh, the daughter of Mrs. W. Blair Tucker of Louisburg and the late Mr. Tucker is a new Southern novelist, who has just won the prize at the end of the rainbow that every beginning writer dreams about.

Her first novel, *The Sound of Summer Voices*, has been chosen by two book clubs, the Doubleday Bargain Book Club and Better Homes and Gardens' Book Service, and will have, initially, more than 300,000 copies in print. The book will be published by Stein and Day on November 4, 1969.

The average first novel in the United States sells only 600 copies. Helen will therefore start out with nearly a third of a million readers more than the average first novelist.

In *The Sound of Summer Voices* Helen has written something increasingly rare—a story that manages to hold the reader without sex or violence.

Her main character is Patrick Quincannon Tolson, an eleven-year-old boy who comes to believe that he has been lied to all of his life about his mother having died when he was born. He determines to find out the truth about his parentage by the only means available to a young boy growing up in a sheltered Southern family: eavesdropping.

With the dedication of a superspy, he listens in secretively to the most private conversations of the people who make up his life; hides in the back of the car when an aunt meets her boy friend; searches for pictures of his

# Voters Decide Tax Issue Today



A light voter turnout is predicted for today's Local Option Sales Tax balloting in Franklin County. The issue has gained neither heated support or opposition in recent weeks and voter interest is lacking.

Most property owners are expected to favor the tax in light of the promise by the Board of County Commissioners that a favorable vote would result in a reduction of ad valorem taxes.

## Trio Taken In Raid

Three persons were arrested in a raid by law enforcement officers at the site of an illicit whisky still on Shocco creek in the Licksillet community of Warren County, near the Vance County line, Friday.

Three submarine-type stills were reported destroyed at the site, along with some 24 gallons of non-tax-paid whisky.

Officers identified those arrested at the scene as Conrad Roy Stokes, 44, of Route 3, Louisburg; his 19-year-old nephew, Otha Lee Stokes, also of Route 3; and Les Alphonzo Towns, 26, of Route 4, Louisburg. They were jailed in Warrenton on charges of manufacturing illegal whisky.

Joining in staging the raid were Vance A.B.C. Officers T. G. Blackmon and W. G. Watkins; Warren A.B.C. Officer M. D. Capps; State A.B.C. Agent John Britt of Henderson; and Federal Agent Bill Waldon.

Britt said one of the stills found at the site was a 1,080-gallon submarine unit and the other two were of 720-gallon capacity each. Among other materials and equipment destroyed were some 800 gallons of mash and the 24 gallons of whisky which was in three cases.

## Police Car Wrecked

Louisburg Police Officer Robert Redmond apparently dozed at the wheel of the police cruiser early this morning and rammed into a parked car on Main Street here. Officer Redmond suffered facial lacerations, according to reports, but was not seriously injured.

The cruiser and an automobile parked near the Louisburg Methodist Church was severely damaged. The accident reportedly occurred around 5:30 A.M.

## Former Resident Wounded

Ben Downey, former Louisburg resident and son of Mrs. S. Z. Downey of North Main Street here, is in the intensive care section of a Charlotte hospital in serious condition following an accident in his Gastonia office last Friday.

According to reports received here, Downey was in the process of moving a small automatic pistol from a desk drawer when the weapon accidentally discharged wounding him in the chest. Two associates witnessed the accident and Downey was rushed to the hospital. The bullet reportedly struck him in the heart and also damaged his liver.

Downey, a building business executive, is married to the former Marjorie Parrish of Franklin County. A report from the hospital this morning said that he is improving and there is hope that he may be moved from the intensive care section in the next few days.

## Sales Reach \$109,272

U. S. Savings Bond and Freedom Share sales in North Carolina for January-September amounted to \$47,173,717. This represents 79.1 percent of the state's 1969 dollar quota of \$59,600,000. Sales for the month of September amounted to \$4,853,392.

Savings Bond and Freedom Share sales in Franklin County were \$10,524 for September. For the year, cumulative sales amounted to \$109,272 which is 84.9 percent of the county's 1969 dollar quota, according to Bland W. Worley, volunteer chairman of the savings bonds program in North Carolina.

## NCSU Open House Slated

Franklin County high school students, especially juniors and seniors, are being invited to attend the annual Open House program Saturday, November 8, at North Carolina State University according to C. T. Dean, Jr., County Extension Chairman.

Dean said the Open House is sponsored by the University's School of Agriculture and Life Sciences and School of Forest Resources.

Open House, which drew an estimated 4,000 people to the North Carolina State Campus last year, is held for career-minded high school students, their parents, teachers and career advisors. Also invited are other adults who are interested in finding out more about the statewide activities of North Carolina State through its research and extension programs.

Dean stated that special exhibits designed around the theme, "Careers - 2001," will be opened to the public beginning at 9 A.M. in Reynolds Coliseum. Several hundred careers in the broad areas of agriculture, life sciences and forestry will be illustrated. Faculty members and students will be on hand to discuss career opportunities, curriculum, admission requirements and campus life activities.

Visitors can view the exhibits in Reynolds Coliseum from 9 A.M. to 3

P.M. Time will be provided for visits to various departments of the two schools. A Dutch lunch will be served at Dorton Arena at the State Fairgrounds.

An exhibition by the University's swimming team at Carmichael Gym and an inter-squad basketball game at Dorton Arena are also being planned for visitors.

## Death Claims Curtis Saunders

Curtis (Johnny) Saunders, 43, owner of a dry cleaning firm, died Monday. Funeral services will be held at 3 p.m. Wednesday at White Funeral Chapel conducted by Rev. Aubrey S. Tomlinson. Burial will follow in Oakwood Cemetery.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Athleen Gupton Saunders; a son, Curtis Craig; a daughter, Julia Anna, both of the home; his mother, Mrs. Julia Moore Saunders of Durham; four brothers, Frank and J. C. Jr. of Durham, Marvin F. of Warner Robbins, Ga., and Dennis Saunders of Louisburg.

By Elizabeth Johnson  
mother—none of which seem to exist. His search for the truth even leads him to the cemetery in back of his house



HELEN TUCKER AT WORK

## Missing UNC Student Has County Background

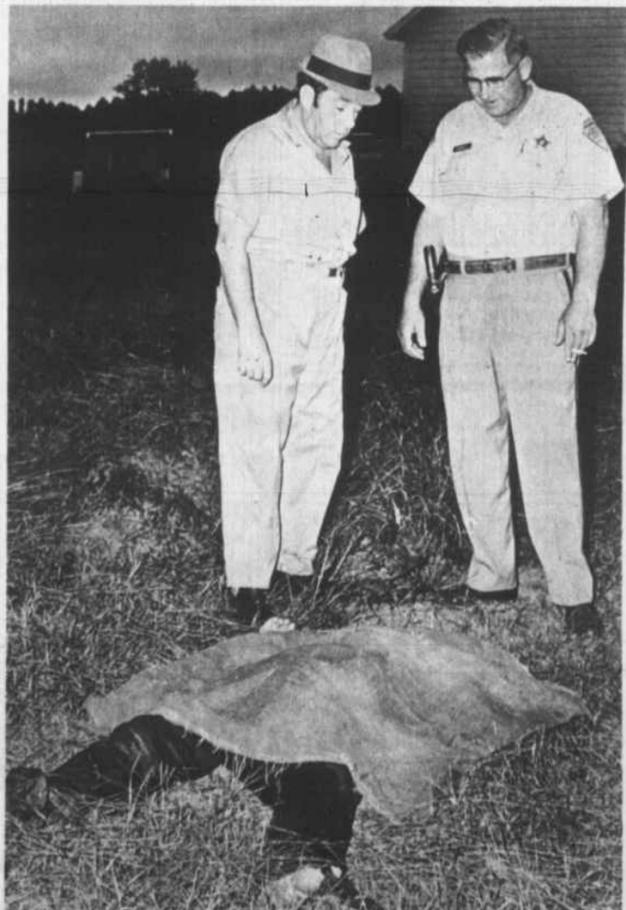
One of the two UNC students who are still missing from a boat trip on the Neuse River last weekend is the son of Franklin County natives and has relatives living here.

Allan Thomas Moody of Old Bridge, N. J., is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Moody, Jr. now of Old Bridge but formerly of Franklin County. The youth's grandmother, Mrs. Tora White lives east of Bunn as do uncles and aunts of the missing students. His father is a native of the Pine Ridge Community southeast of Bunn.

Young Moody and three other Carolina students were attempting to

canoe in the Neuse River near Oriental Saturday night during the heavy wind and rainstorms that struck the area. The body of one of the students was recovered Sunday. He was identified as Charles E. Baker of Bluefield, W. Va. Another student, Albert Stier Hudson swam to shore and was rescued early Sunday. Moody and Donald Litton Lewis of Greensboro are still missing and hope for their safe return is slim.

Moody's father lived for awhile in Burlington before moving to New York where he is connected with Burlington Industries. His mother is the former Madeline White of Bunn.



CORONER JAMES H. EDWARDS, LEFT, AND DEPUTY SHERIFF LEROY TERRELL VIEW BODY OF MAN FOUND ALONG NC-39 NORTH OF LOUISBURG SUNDAY.

## Man Believed Hit-Run Victim

Deputy Sheriff David Batton reported this morning that the Sheriff's office believes that Garland West, 48-year-old Louisburg, Route 3, Negro, whose body was discovered along NC-39 seven miles north of Louisburg early Sunday morning, was the victim of a hit and run driver.

An autopsy has been ordered by Franklin Coroner James H. Edwards, according to reports and preliminary word says that the man suffered injuries to his left pelvis and severe internal bleeding indicating that he was struck by a car.

West's body was discovered Sunday morning around 6:30 A.M. by Tom Powell, Route 1, Henderson man who was returning home from work when he happened to see the body lying in a roadside ditch near the home of Charlie Robert Wynne.

Powell and Wynne alerted Deputy Sheriff Leroy Terrell who in turn called the Coroner. If it is ruled that West died as the result of being struck by a motor vehicle, he will be the eleventh highway victim of the year in Franklin County and the fifth in the past three weeks.