

## Senior citizens need some financial support

"Almost all of the federal dollars being spent on the elderly are IOUs the elderly are calling back in," and Dr. Robert Atchley, director of the Scripps Foundation and professor at Miami University, Oxford, Ohio.

He sees Social Security and Medicare as their due. "If we don't live up to this agreement, we have lost our integrity as a nation," he told an applauding audience of professionals and volunteers who work with elderly. Dr. Atchley was the keynote speaker at Life Enrichment for the Older Adult, the ninth annual Eloise Cofer Family Living Seminar held at North Carolina State University recently.

Dr. Atchley is very disturbed by recent cuts in benefits for the elderly. "Eighty percent of all in-home services for the elderly are already provided by the family -- 50 percent by the spouse and the other 30 percent by other family members." Another 15 percent is given by paid support people, such as nursing aides and housekeepers.

Only two percent comes from government-supported social agencies. "This is the big effort the government is making that they want the family to do," Dr. Atchley said.

Families cannot and should not provide all of the necessary care, Dr. Atchley believes. "There is a point beyond which families should not provide care or it will destroy the family," he said.

Institutionalization is not all bad either. Research has shown that the health of most elderly actually improves when they are moved into an institution if that move is really needed.

For the healthy majority of the elderly, "intimacy at a distance"

is the goal. They want to live on their own, to visit the family, but not for too long, and to have time with the grandchildren, but not too much time, Dr. Atchley said.

"We need the family plus the government, rather than the family versus the government," to meet the needs of the elderly appropriately, Dr. Atchley said. He cited the need to reestablish the commitment made in the 60s and 70s.

In 1960, 60 percent of the elderly lived in or close to poverty. By 1980, that had dropped to 30 percent. Since 1980, there have been drastic program cuts, and there is quite a spread between the haves and have nots," Dr. Atchley said.

"We were told sacrifices would be spread across the board, but they fell hardest on the poor and middle class elderly. Two percent of tax cut benefits went to elderly with incomes of \$5,000 or less." Fifty percent went to elderly with high incomes. As for program cuts, "the single largest one was in Social Security. Medicare is the same story. I am against making the people least able to pay, pay for economic recovery."

Dr. Atchley called for government policies which would provide appropriate health care and income for America's elderly. "Right now we are going backwards, and this disturbs me very much," said the gerontologist.

The Family Living Seminar is sponsored by the Home Economics Department of the N.C. Agricultural Extension Service, NCSU, with The Division of University Studies, NCSU, and the N.C. Extension Homemakers Association.



The Napper Singers

## Napper Singers to be honored for first album

There will be a consecration service and a musical program honoring the first album of the Napper Singers of Winston-Salem.

Leading the consecration prayer will be the Rev. W. J. Nap-

per and John Mendez.

Musical guests for the occasion will be the Gospel Echoes, the Salemaires the Evangelaires and a host of other musical groups from Lexington.

## Ushers observe anniversary

The Senior Usher Board of Shiloh Baptist Church will observe its 82nd annual observance, Sunday, July 15 at 6:15 p.m. at the church. Dr. Jerry

Drayton will be the guest speaker for the program.

For more information call 724-9263.

## Choir celebrates 7th year

The Mount Zion Baptist Church Inspirational Choir will celebrate its seventh anniversary, Sunday, July 15 at the church at 9th and File Streets at 4 p.m.

Featured guests will be the Central Baptist Choir Ensemble of Wilmington, Del. and Jackie Brown of the New Creations.

Remember family or friends with Special Occasion, Get Well or Memorial cards.

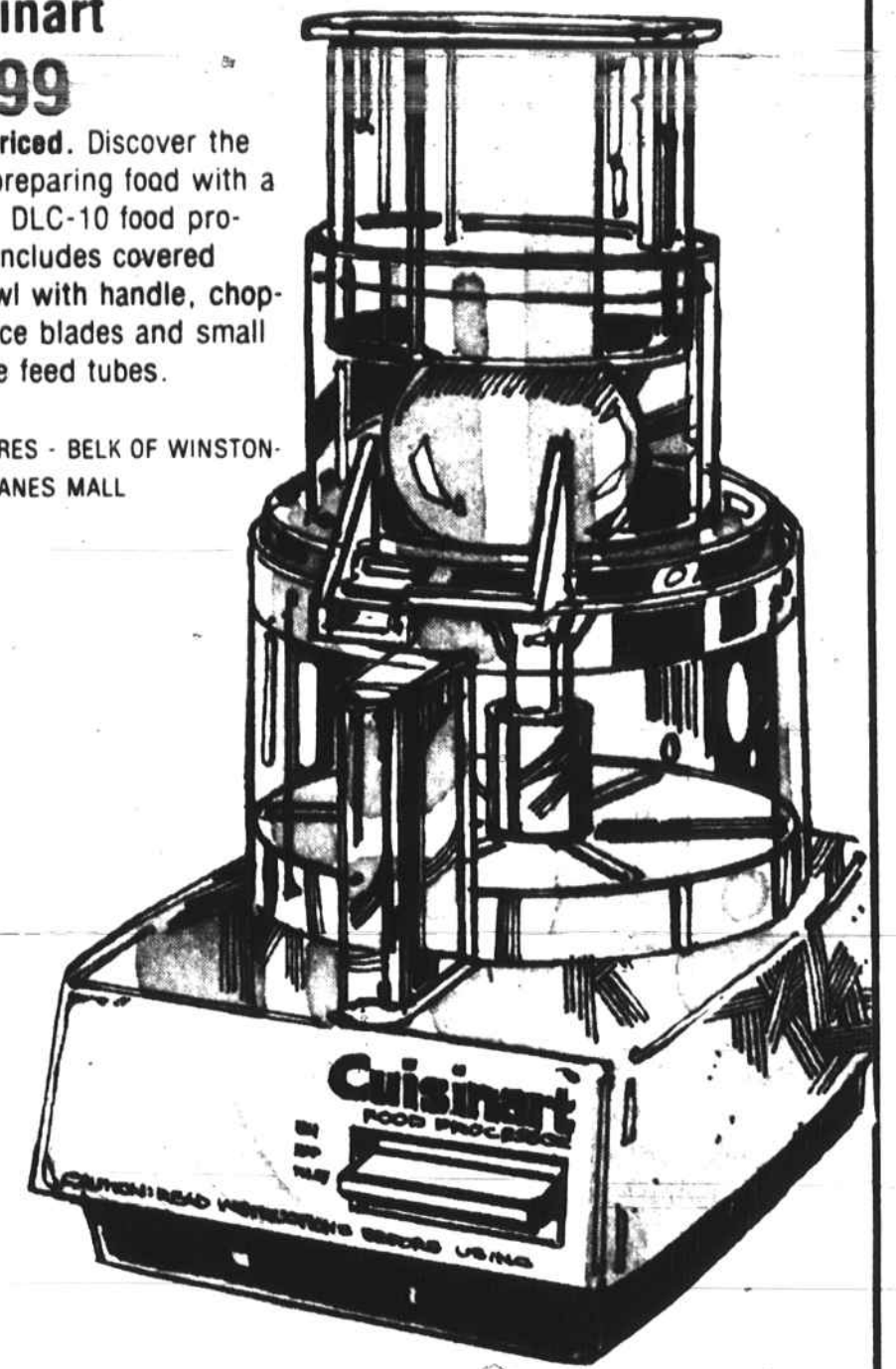


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## Funerals

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one brother, Same Grier, of this city; two brothers-in-law; one sister-in-law; and other relatives.

Hooper Funeral Directors were in charge of services.

Mr. Dallas B. Pittman

Funeral services for Mr. Dallas B. Pittman of 2931 New Walkertown Rd., Apt P., were conducted Tuesday July 3rd at 1:00 p.m. in the Chapel of the Hooper Funeral Home, with Rev. J.R. Samuels officiating. Interment followed in the Evergreen Cemetery. Surviving are a daughter, Mrs. Mary Lee Parks, of this city; two sister, Mrs. Nettie Carter, of High Point, N.C., and Mrs. Inez Dimbo, of White Plains, N.Y.; six grandchildren; eleven great-grandchildren, and other relatives.

Hooper Funeral Directors were in charge of services.

Mr. Moses Penn, Jr.

Mr. Moses Penn, Jr. of 1517 E. 14th St., died Friday, June 29th at the North Carolina Baptists Hospital. He was a native of this city and a painter by trade. Surviving are a sister, Mrs. Katherine Mallory, of Detroit, MI, and other relatives. Graveside services were conducted Thursday, July 5th at 11:00 a.m. in the Evergreen Cemetery, with Rev. S.F. Hairston officiating.

Hooper Funeral Directors were in charge of services.

Mr. Lafayette Cook, Jr.

Mr. Lafayette Cook, Jr. of 1703 Hattie Avenue were held on Friday, June 29, at Goler Metropolitan AME Zion Church with Rev. Jerry A. Quick, officiating. The remains did repose in Clark S. Bown & Sons Funeral Home until 10:00 am Friday which time it was placed in state in the Church until the funeral hour. Interment was in the Evergreen Cemetery.

Clark S. Brown & Sons Funeral Home in charge of services.

Mr. Joe Meshak Dukes

Mr. Joe Meshak Dukes of 3054 N. Patterson Ave., were held on Monday, July 2nd at 4:30 p.m. in Clark S. Bown & Sons Funeral Home with Rev. Bishop Walter Jackson, officiating. The remains did repose in the funeral home until the funeral hour. Interment was in the Evergreen Cemetery.

Clark S. Brown & Sons Funeral Home in charge of services.

Mrs. Flora Eugene Miller Pledger

Mr. Flora Eugene Miller Pledger of 434 West 27th St., passed on Sunday night at her residence. Her remains were removed to Clark S. Brown & Sons Funeral Home. She was a member of Bethlehem AME Zion Church, where she served as past president of the Reynolda Pray Band was class leader. She was also a member of the 25th St., Flower Club. She was a retired employee of Mr. & Mrs. Charles H. Babcock, Sr. of Reynolds Industries. Her survivors are one daughter-in-law, Mrs. Ruth G. Pledger of High Point, N.C., Five sisters-in-law, Mrs. Lilly P. Warren, Mrs. Trula Hill, Mrs. Naomi Hill of the city, Mrs. Thelma Miller of Brookstown, N.C. and Mrs. Grace Transou of Lewisville, N.C. Several nieces, nephews, cousins including, Mrs. Sudie Miller and Mr. Robert Miller both of the city. Other relatives and many friends.

Clark S. Brown & Sons Funeral Home in charge of services.

Mrs. Rosa Ann Mobley Peoples

Mrs. Rosa Ann Mobley Peoples of 304 Abattoir St., passed on Monday night in Forsyth Memorial Hospital. Her remains were removed to Clark S. Brown & Sons Funeral Home. She was a native of Concord, N.C. and had lived in Winston-Salem, N.C. for seventy years. She was a retired employee of Export Leaf Tobacco Co., and was a member of New Bethel Baptist Church, where she served as a member of the Effort Club. Her survivors are one nephew, Mr. David Dillard, Jr. of the city. Several other relatives and many friends.

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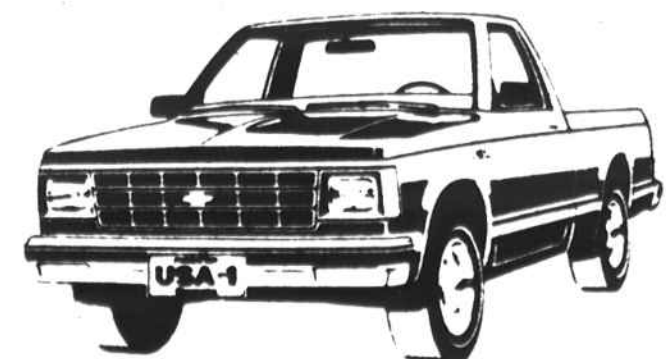
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