'Magic Hour' **Pageant Theme**

"The Magic Hour" is the theme of this year's Miss Brunswick County pageant that will be held March 7 in the Shallotte School auditorium.

There are four entries-to-date for the contest. Joining the list this week are Ada Annette Ward and Sonia Lee Nance.

Ada is the 19-year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Johnie H. Ward of Longwood and a senior at Waccamaw High School She is five feet six and one-half inches tall, weighs 128 pounds and has green eyes and ashe blonde hair.

Miss Ward, who said she wants to attend Troutman Beauty College after graduation, is a member of the F.H.A., Library Club, Store Club, and Glee Club. She was an attendant in the 1970 Waccamaw Homecoming, and said she enjoys water skiing, boating, and horseback riding.

Sonia is 17-years old and the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Lee Nance of Rt. 1 Ocean Drive Beach, South Carolina. She is a senior at Shallotte High School and would like to attend Southeastern Community College after her graduation.

Sonia is five feet tall, weighs 110 pounds and has brown eyes and brunette hair.

She is a member of the Beta Club, F.H.A., Spanish Club, Commercial Club and a member of the newspaper staff. For hobbies, she said she enjoys writing poetry and songs, reading, singing and playing the

Brunswick pageant will be

BOOKMOBILE

Leland-Highway Number 17 Route

Tuesday, March 3: Bowen's Trailor Park, 10:00-11:00; Armstrong's House, Lanvale, 11:15-11:45; Arnold's Station, Route Number 17, 12:00-12:30; A.P. Henry's Store, Winnabow, 12:45-1:00; Parker's Building Supply, Supply, 2:30-3:00; Clem's Texaco, Route Number 17, 3:15-3:30; Robinson House, 3:45-4:00.

Leland-Northwest Route Wednesday, March 4: Skipper's Store, Elah, 10:00-10:45; Leland Post Office, 11:00-12:00; Medlin's House, Northwest, 12:15-12:45; Stewart's Store, Phoenix Road, 1:45-2:15; Fisher's House, Phoenix, 2:30-3:00; Brew's House, Phoenix, 3:15-3:30.

Hickman's Crossroad

Route Thursday, March 5: Twin 1. Lakes Grocery, 9:30-9:45; Calabash, 10:00-10:30; Grissettetown, 10:45-11:15; Freeman Gause's Route 17, 11:30-11:45; Jenrette's Store, Hickman's Crossroad, 12:45-1:00; Ethridge's Store, 1:15-1:30; Lonnie's Evans' Store, Ash, 2:00-2:15; Babson's Store, Freeland, 2:30-2:45; Bennett's Store, Exum, 3:00-3:30.

Nature's Non-

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mysterious as it is in other respects, it shows itself as easily the lovliest and most hospitible of all the orbs in our solar system. Oddly, it won't be observed in skyward procession with the rest, but just beneath our feet-the planet called Earth!

What about the weather? A thin haze or scattered cirrus clouds may enhance the coloration of the event, but a full overcast will obliterate all the exquisite details. Even so, the darkness itself will be more profound. Typical early-March weather over SENCland dictates only about a 50-50 chance of clear conditions.

Caprice, calamity and carnage earmark most of the newsworthy dealings of Nature with man. Not so this time. This is her finest non-violent demonstration!

Totality will end only too soon as the "beads" reappear, the corona fades and the eclipse departs in reverse manner as it came. As light creeps back over the land, folks will again find themselves caught up in the nitty-gritty doings and harryings hangups of life the way it was before. But the spectacle of March 7 will provide a conversation piece for a long

time to come. And in distant years yet to be, today's young swingers will peer back mistily from the far side of their generation gap and reminisce fondly to their grandchildren about a late winter day back in '70 when that big light in the sky suddenly

went out. Lift up your eyes on high, And behold who hath created these (things).

Isaiah 40:26





Hurricane Hunters Had Record Year

Despite a year of record devastation, hurricane hunting is paying off.

Last year was the most damaging hurricane season in United States history, though far from the most deadly. But man

may be close to easing the

hurricane's menace. Property damage soared to \$1.421 billion in 1969. All of it was the work of the only storm to hit the United States, Camille, which lashed the Gulf Coast of Mississippi and Alabama with 200-mile-an-hour winds, then ripped north to flood Virginia

Farm Bureau iano. Her talent in the Miss Aids Scholars

hill country.

"The season of the year has come for us to accept applications for the Farm Bureau H. Flake Shaw Memorial Scholarship Loans. These loans are made for up to four years, provided a student is regularly-enrolled in school and is making satisfactory grades," announced Ira L. Chadwick, president of the Brunswick

County Farm Bureau today. "Each loan will be for \$500 each school year. Eligibility requirements are: (1) need for financial assistance, (2) satisfactory scholastic record, (3) leadership potential, (4) character. Preference will be given to Farm Bureau family members." said Chadwick.

"Applications must be submitted to county Farm Bureaus for screening by April 1. The County Scholarship Committee must forward their recommendations to the State Committee by April 15. The State Committee will meet and make the final selections on May

"There will be no interest payable on these scholarship loans until the participant is in a position to have his or her own income. Repayments should start by the end of the first year after finishing school," said Chadwick.

"Funds will be advanced periodically on the school's schedule of payments," he said. "Remember that the applicants must study some phase of Home Economics or

Agriculture," said Chadwick. "If you have a young man or woman in our schools who is interested in making applications for one of these scholarship loans for the 1970-71 school year, let us know and we will be glad to send application and nomination forms to you,' concluded Chadwick.

Camille, though far from the worst killer hurricane to ravage

the United States, claimed 285

The toll might have been a thousand higher without the warnings that alerted 75,000 persons to flee the coast, according to Robert H. Simpson, director of the National Hurricane Center in Miami.

'People have never been warned so well or so often," he

Hurricane hunters spotted Camille soon after it was spawned as a mere tropical storm off the coast of West Africa. They tracked it by plane, radar, and satellite television as it picked up steam, swirling across the Atlantic, the Caribbean, and into the Gulf of

The Gulf Coast received 12 hours warning. In 1900 a hurricane slammed into group. Galveston, Texas, with little notice, taking 6,000 lives.

Besides providing better warning, hurricane hunters of Project Stormfury have been flying their planes into the teeth of these most dreaded storms to learn how to tame them. After the 1969 experiments, they believe they now know how to blunt a hurricane's bite.

Dr. Cecil Gentry, head of the National Hurricane Research Laboratory in Miami, says the plans dropped silver iodide crystals near the center or "eye" of hurricane Debbie, causing the wind to drop briefly from 113 to 78 miles an hour.

MILTON J. BOWEN

Law Enforcement Unit Receives Aid

Development Commission 75 per cent for project hosted a meeting in implementation. Elizabethtown for all the law Economic Development District. The purpose of the meeting was

One Per Cent **Drivers Are 75**

Licensed drivers in the 25-34 age group dominate the highways of North Carolina, according to the latest figures compiled by the Department of Motor Vehicles.

As of January 1, 1970, more than 22.6 percent of all Tar Heel motorists fall into this young adult category. Slightly more than 317,800 of those drivers are male, while 278,699 are

Department figures show that 1.88 per cent of the drivers are 16, and that 17-year-olds account for 2.51 per cent of the driving population. At the opposite end of the scale, drivers between 65 and 75 make up 4.58 per cent of the state's motorists, while those 75 and above represent the lowest percentage-1.15.

There is a steady increase in the number of drivers up to age 34, and a steady decline beginning with the 35-44 age

While women outnumber men in the state's population, the men still out-distance the women on the streets and highways. Of North Carolina's 2,635,487 licensed drivers, 1,477,916, or 56.08 percent, are male, while female licensed drivers number 1,157,571, or 43.92 per cent. Nationally, 58.1 per cent of

the licensed drivers are male.

What the world needs most is a little time to think it over. The chip many people carry

on their shoulders is just bark.

CANDIDATE FOR SHERIFF

this office.

unit organized by the Control and Safe Street Act. Southeastern Economic Under this act passed by Development Commission Congress in June, 1968, funds (SEDC) has received over are provided to the State in a \$45,000 in the past twelve block grant. Local law enforcement planning units are Almost a year ago, the eligible for a 90 per cent grant Southeastern Economic for planning and a grant up to

Subsequent to the initial enforcement offices within the meeting, four counties-Brunsten counties of the Southeastern wick, Bladen, Columbus, and Sampson-requested the Southeastern Economic Development Commission to assist them in organizing law enforcement planning. SEDC sponsored a meeting of the law-enforcement officials of the four counties, and the Southeastern Law Enforcement Council was formed. James W. Willis, Chief of Police in Southport, was elected president of the council; and John B. grandchildren. Allen, sheriff of Bladen county. was elected financial officer.

SEDC also assisted in preparing the essential budget for the council and provided guidance in securing aa consultant, Joseph B. Chandler, Jr., an Elizabethtown attorney.

Application Is **Not Necessary**

Social security beneficiaries need not apply for the 15 percent benefit increase just signed into law by President Nixon.

"Every one of the 25 million men, women and children now on the benefit rolls will receive the increase automatically,' Robert M. Ball, Commissioner of social security, said this week.

"The first regular check in the new amount," Commissioner Ball said, "will arrive April 3, the usual day for delivery of benefit checks covering payments for the month of March." A separate check in the amount of the benefit increase for the months of January and February will reach beneficiaries later in April, probably during the week of April 20.

Refiguring the benefit amounts of the 25 million men, women, and children now on the benefit rolls is a tremendous task, Commissioner Ball pointed out, and it must be done without disrupting the regular benefit payment cycle.

The office of Sheriff is no place for a man

Now is the time for the voters to make an

without previous experience in law enforcement.

It will be unfair to the citizens of Brunswick county

to elect a man to this important post who is with-

investigation into the qualifications of the men now

seeking the Democratic nomination for Sheriff of

Brunswick. County. You owe it to yourself and the

future welfare of all of our people to support a

man who has worked in law enforcement and who

has demonstrated an ability to handle the duties of

out previous training and experience.

Americans is now receiving a social security check each month, Commissioner Ball said. As of the end of December, these monthly payments totaled \$2.2 billion and the monthly total will go up by \$345 million to more than \$2.5 billion as the 15 percent benefit increase becomes effective.

About one out of every eight

SHALLOTTE-Mrs. Annie Mae Long, 47, died in an automobile accident here Monday. Final rites were held at Powell Funeral Home chapel. Tuesday at 3 p.m. by the Rev. Charles Glisson, with burial in the Bennett family cemetery at Hickman's Cross Roads.

Survivors include her husband, Elmer Guy Long; a daughter, Mrs. Christine Hughes of Shallotte; a son, Kenneth Home of Shallotte; two brothers, Vander Smith of Shallotte and Walter Smith of Nichols, S.C.; two sisters, Mrs. Emma Reaves of Shallotte and Mrs. Ada Robinson of Supply; and four

Mrs. Frink

SUPPLY-Mrs. Rebecca Frink of Supply died in New Hanover Memorial Hospital, Wilmington, Monday. Final rites will be held Thursday at 2 p.m. at Little Macedonia Baptist Church by the Rev. W. H. Flowers, with burial in Clay Branch Cemetery.

Survivors include three sons, George W. of Bolivia, Fred D. of Hollis, N.Y. and Willie Frink of New York City; two daughters, Miss Roxanna Frink and Mrs. Lillie Bellamy of Supply; four brothers, Andrew Jackson, Portsmouth, Va., Maceo Galloway, Supply, Dave Galloway, Wilmington and Nathaniel Galloway of St. Pauls; four sisters, Mrs. Eva Bryant and Mrs. Mamie Bellamy, Supply, Mrs. Bessie Stevenson of Longwood and Mrs. Lillie Bryant of Crescent City, Fla.; 20 grandchildren and a great-grandchild.

Men In Service

Army Private First Class Maurice W. Galloway, 20, son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl N. Galloway of Supply was named Mechanic of the month January 8 while serving with the 69th Engineer Battalion near Binh Thuy, Vietnam.

Pfc. Galloway, a member of Mrs. Annie Mae Long the battalion's Company D, was selected because of his proficiency in maintaining Army vehicles, knowledge of safety procedures and military bearing.

In Vietnam

Army Private First Class John D. Bowling, 20, whose parents, Mr. and Mrs. Rosevelt Bowling and wife, Carolyn, live at Bolivia, was assigned December or Long Beach 278-5209 21 to the 1st Infantry Division in Vietnam.

Lost Dog?

This beautiful collie has been waiting patiently at the Oak Island Golf Course for his owners for over a week. He is wearing a collar and there is a large metal ring through the collar, but no other identification. No dog license or rabies tag. He is gentle and will let you pet him and feed him, but is loyal to his owners-wherever they may be. He watches for them day and

If he is your dog, please come for him. He is longing for you! For more information, call Long Beach 278-5268 (Smalley) (Walker).





