

# News From The General Assembly

## REP. JAMES D. SPEED

**RALEIGH** — A bill to permit twin-trailer, "long" trucks of sixty five feet overall length, to operate on certain highways in North Carolina passed the House over strong opposition and has been sent to the Senate. I spoke in opposition to this bill on the House floor and voted against it on grounds that it will create additional hazards to highway safety and further glut our already crowded roads unnecessarily. Such two-trailer trucks are 10 feet longer than the largest now operating on our highways and I feel it will be almost impossible to find a place to pass such a vehicle safely on our two-lane highways.

The bill was amended to allow such 65-foot vehicles only on four-lane highways. This was a major improvement but I still disapprove and voted against the bill. It is obvious that this is a "foot in the door" approach to further requests for additional truck lengths (up to 100 feet in some areas) as well as additional permitted weight loads.

I cannot agree with the argument that this increased length and load space would be greatly beneficial to agricultural interests. The present length trucks along with railroads and airfreight service provide adequate transportation for our present and foreseeable needs. Our real need is for more adequate highways in more areas of the state and for greater highway safety on the roads we have.

Meanwhile I have introduced or co-signed several bills which we consider to be of statewide importance.

One of these is a bill, H. B. 1077, relating to state regulation of the pest control industry to a degree that the public may be adequately protected from fraud, deceit, overcharges and poor workmanship. We hope this bill will guarantee the public ethical and professional service in cases of need.

It will cost more because the bill provides an additional small percentage of the fee to finance a state inspection and regulation program in the Pest Control division of the N. C. Department of Agriculture. This department has been handicapped in the past because of inequities in the present law as well as insufficient provisions to provide a good control program.

In recent months, however, the small inspection force has uncovered many cases in which the public has been overcharged and victimized by inadequate or unnecessary inspections and pest control treatments. Some complaints have come to me from our legislative district. A sound structural pest control bill is in the interest of the public in rural and city areas alike and should guarantee a dollar's worth of service for a dollar spent.

Our bill provides for examination, licensing and supervi-

sion of pest control workers along with identification as to their qualifications and approval according to state standards. Penalties of some consequence are provided for fraud and misrepresentation in this field. There will be additional fees amounting to one per cent of the total charge of such work to finance an increased staff of inspectors and a more effective program on behalf of the public.

We feel that a bill introduced by Rep. Hugh Johnson of Duplin and myself along with others will correct a major injustice in the present law pertaining to revaluation of property. This new bill would provide for evaluating property on the basis of its present use rather than on its potential use. For example, farm property would be valued as farm property regardless of whether it may be considered as a possible industrial site so long as it is used for agricultural purposes.

We feel many people in my district have been treated unjustly in this respect. Under existing law agricultural property which appeared to have some features permitting future development for industrial or business purposes was classified in a higher taxable category. This new bill will require that regardless of the potential of any property for future use that the present tax value be assessed on the basis of its present use. Under this bill, farm property near our cities and town may continue to be used for agricultural purposes without an unjust penalty from overvaluation.

This bill has the backing of the N. C. Farm Bureau and the State Grange and, we feel, has wide support from the people.

Several bills from our district have completed their legislative requirements to become law. These include school board compensation and animal abandonment bills for Warren County; well contractors and animal abandonment in Franklin; filing of papers, officials pay and animal abandonment in Vance County.

## Mrs. Thaxton Hostess To Her Bridge Club

Mrs. B. A. Thaxton was hostess to the Norlina Bridge Club at her home on last Thursday night with Mrs. Henry White of Drewry a guest player.

High score prize was presented to Mrs. John Clarke, and Mrs. D. S. Wimbrow received the second high score prize. The bingo prize was presented to Mrs. Edna Newsum.

After an evening of enjoyable play, Mrs. Thaxton served the group strawberry shortcake and coffee.

## Pam Wilson Named Chief Cheerleader

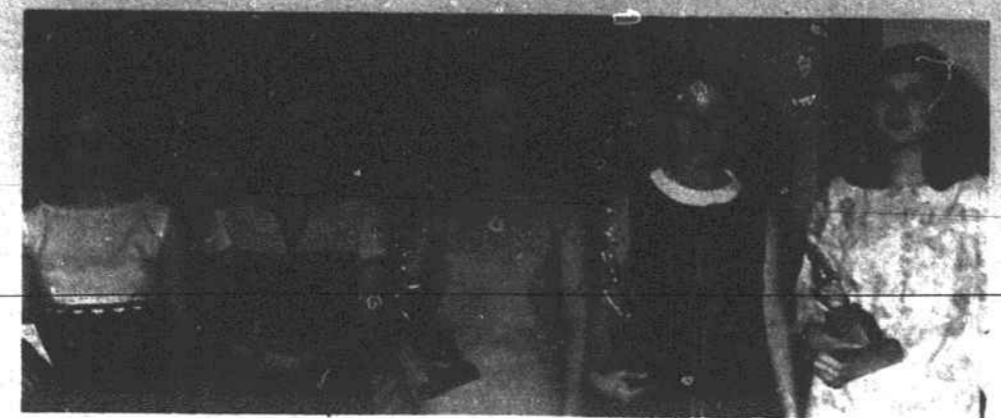
Pam Wilson was elected chief cheerleaders at a recent meeting of the Norlina High School cheerleaders and will be sent to a cheerleaders camp by the Beta Club.

Other cheerleaders selected were Sandra Cook, Jan Hawks, Nancy Capps, Patsy Burton, Shelia Newsom, Lynn Clark and Vickie Hawks.

### FOR THE RECORD

A beatnik raced up to the psychiatrist at his Army physical and pleaded, "Take me right now! Forget about basic training. Just give me a rifle. Send me to the front. I am power and strength. I am the conqueror!"

Said the doctor: "You're crazy!"  
"Write that down, Dad," the beatnik urged, "Write that down."



Senior girls who received trophies at the Monogram Club banquet, are, left to right: Front row — Shirley Adams, Janet Fair, Deborah King, Sandra Wood, Ann Thompson; back row—Linda Shearin, Josephine Peoples, Bettye Rose Connell.



Senior boys are shown holding trophies at Monogram Club banquet on Friday night. They are, left to right: Front row, Jay House, Joey Gilbert, Wayne Moseley, Robert Louis Shearin; back row—Kenneth Davis, Pete Carroll, Lewis Thompson.

## East Carolina Coach Is Speaker At Monogram Banquet; Awards Made

Tom Quinn, basketball coach at East Carolina College, was the guest speaker at the annual Monogram Club banquet held in the cafeteria of John Graham High School on last Friday night, when trophies were presented to 22 members seniors.

Presented by Principal Fred Bartholomew, Coach Quinn told of his experiences as a coach and player, and recruiter, with a tongue-in-cheek approach in light vein. Unlike most speakers on such occasions, Quinn did not emphasize the value of sports in developing character or the need for good grades, other than to say that they were essential. He emphasized the value of winning. He said that he had some sympathy for the philosophy of "it's not whether you win or lose, but how you play the game," but in reality athletes play to win. Not only, he said, is winning important in athletics, but in all phases of life. "The world is looking for winners," he added, in business, in teaching, in the

professions, and other walks of life.

"Perhaps one may think that I overemphasize the value of winning," he said, "but I believe that it should be over-emphasized."

Quinn said that there are but two grades in athletics, A and F. You either win or you fail.

The importance of sports in a school program, the speaker said, is testified by the banquet now being held. Most all schools hold an annual banquet in recognition of the contributions of athletes to the school. But there is no banquet for the glee club, the leading scholars and others who make worthwhile contributions to the school. He said that he felt that this is rather significant in the value that the public places on an athletic program.

Friday's banquet was sponsored by the Warrenton Boosters Club with Nat White, president, presiding. The invocation was given by Arthur Williams and Leonard Daniel served as toastmaster.

Guests were welcomed by President White and in his closing remarks Principal Bartholomew expressed his appreciation to the Boosters Club for the assistance given him in the sports program and said that work of the Boosters greatly lightened the burden of the coaches. He also thanked The Warren Record for its sports coverage. The dinner, consisting of country ham, potato salad,

baked apple, stringbeans, hot rolls, butter, iced tea and strawberry shortcake, was prepared and served by the home economic girls under the direction of Mrs. George Davis, cafeteria manager. They received a rising vote of thanks from those present.

Also receiving special recognition were the coaches and their wives, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Webb, Mr. and Mrs. Jon Burwell, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Plaster, and Mrs. Billie Goodman.

Following the dinner trophies were presented to 12 boy seniors and ten girl seniors.

Presenting the senior awards to the boys was Joe Gilbert. Mrs. Whit Peoples presented the trophies to the girl basketball players.

Senior award winners were Joey Gilbert, Randy Davis, Ronald Williams, Mary Perry Carroll, William L. Fuller, Willie Richardson, Robert L. Shearin, Kenneth I. Davis, Reginald Bullock, Wayne Moseley, Bill Bender, Alvin J. House, Jr., Sandra Jo Wood, Bettye Rose Connell, Shirley A. Adams, Josie Peoples, Anne Thompson, Deborah King, Linda Shearin, and Janet Fair.

Mrs. Billie Goodman presented trophies to cheerleaders Shirley Adams and Janet Fair.

Mrs. Goodman, who not only serves as JV girls basketball coach but as chaperon on the activity bus, received a check from the Boosters



The lawn is sometimes referred to as the carpet for the landscape and the welcome mat to your house. Passers-by will, most likely, judge the beauty of your landscape plan by the lawn rather than by the ornamental trees and shrubs you have so carefully arranged.

The secret of success in establishing a beautiful lawn, regardless of where you live, is seed bed preparation. The first requisite is a soil test. This test will establish your need for lime and phosphate both of which should be worked into the upper four to six inches of soil before seeding. The test will also establish your need for organic matter.

Fumigation, though expensive, is your best insurance because, by this method, you can destroy weed seed, bermudagrass (if you have an evergreen lawn), nutgrass, wild onions, soil-borne disease, nematodes, grubs and other soil infesting insects.

Once the lawn is established, and you have not taken the initial precautions suggested, maintenance may be more difficult. Weed control will surely be one problem. I would suggest that, if you can, determine the kind (s) of weeds to be eradicated. Then go to your garden supply dealer, select the material to be applied and use according to directions.

The amine form of 2,4-D is satisfactory for most common weeds in the lawn. When applying this material, be sure

to select a calm day so the spray will not "drift" to flowers and shrubs that may be damaged. The sprayer you use for applying 2,4-D should NOT be used for spraying your shrubs, flowers and vegetables.

Feeding your lawn is very important. There is no rule of thumb to guide you. It will depend upon the kind of grass (warm season or evergreen) and the soil type. Porous, sandy soils will require more frequent feeding than more compact loamy and clay types. Feed the lawn often enough to promote good growth and dark green color. An 8-8-8 formulation is satisfactory.

If you are troubled with moss in shady locations, feed and aerate the soil. Both are important, especially aeration. For fungus diseases, brown patch, dollar spot, fairy ring and slime mold, use any good lawn and turf fungicide according to instructions on the container. It may be purchased from your garden dealer.

Mow the lawn, REGULARLY setting the mower at the two-inch level.

Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Vaughan of Rocky Mount were weekend guests of Mrs. A. D. Alston and Mr. Melville Southerland. Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Davis of Inez entertained them at dinner on Saturday evening. Dr. Ann Baxter of Chapel Hill was a weekend guest of Mr. and Mrs. Barker Wil-



WAYNE AYCOCK

## Wayne Aycock Wins Honor At College

Wayne Aycock, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Aycock of Hampton, Va., and grandson of Mrs. Esther Aycock of Elberon, has been selected to represent Ferrum College in "Who's Who Among Students in American Junior Colleges," it was learned here yesterday.

His recognition comes as a result of outstanding contributions through scholarship, leadership, citizenship and service. A drama major, he has played in "Hamlet," and "Male Animal" at Ferrum and recently had the leading role in "Man For All Seasons."

Wayne will graduate from Ferrum College on May 28 and will continue his education at the College of William and Mary this fall.

### Hams.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Ballard and family of Siler City were dinner guests of Miss M. D. Overby and family Sunday.

Club in recognition of her contributions.

Gifts to the coaches from the teams were presented by Robert L. Shearin, Debra Roberts and Sandra Wood. In addition Anne Thompson presented a gift to Brenda Shearin, basketball team manager, and Bettye Rose Connell presented a gift to Mrs. Goodman. Also recognized and given a round of applause was Tommie Peoples, who drives the activity bus.

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Remembrance is a golden chain Death tries to break but all in vain To have to love and then to part Is the greatest sorrow of one's heart.

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