

The Cooleemee Journal

VOLUME NO. 60

COOLEEMEE, N. C., THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 1967

PUBLISHED THURSDAY

CENTRAL CAROLINA BANK TO ERECT MOCKSVILLE OFFICE

A contract for construction of a building to house the Mocksville Office of Central Carolina Bank and Trust Co. has been awarded to Hendrix and Corriher of Mocksville. Charles F. Bahnsen, who will be in charge of the new bank office, made the announcement and said that if weather permits construction will begin this week, with completion expected by late summer.

The site of the bank will be on property purchased last summer, and located on the northeast corner of South Main and Water Streets. The building will be one story, brick and block construction, containing 4,200 square feet of usable floor space.

The plot on which the bank will be situated is 82 feet wide by 220 feet deep, permitting 25 paved parking spaces and providing ample area for drive-up window service, as well as planting and landscaping.

The architect is Archie Royal Davis, A. I. A. His choice of materials such as hand-made brick, and his use of traditional detailing will give to the building's appearance a Williamsburg feeling.

The new bank office will contain a spacious lobby with terrazzo floor, vaulted ceiling and paneled wainscoting. There will be provision for six teller windows, and adjacent to the large reinforced concrete vault will be three coupon booths for the convenience of safe deposit customers.

Other features of the building include a paneled and carpeted private office and conference room, a secretary and loan officer's area, an employee lounge, and ample spaces for storage.

Heating and cooling throughout the building are arranged for maximum year-round comfort. The different segments of the building have individual controls to enable each area to function separately.

Bahnsen noting that the cost of the new building will be in excess of \$100,000 said, "Our bank has unlimited confidence in the future of Davie County. We are looking forward to becoming partners in progress with Mocksville, and to the opportunity for greater service to its people."

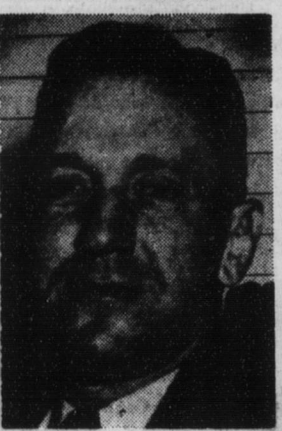
Bahnsen acknowledged the advice and assistance of the bank's Mocksville Board, whose members are: M. H. Murray, Chairman; Ben C. Ellis; Geo. Hendricks; Robert Hendricks; T. L. Junker; D. J. Mando; Lester Martin, Jr.; George Merrell, Jr.; Sheek Miller; E. C. Morris; W. W. Smith; and Paul H. Stroud

J. H. Bowman Named To Hospital Board
James H. Bowman of Mocksville, has been appointed to the Davie County Hospital Board of Trustees, filling the unexpired term of Arthur Uphaw.

Mr. Bowman was appointed by the Davie County Board of Commissioners last week to serve until December of 1968.

Assistant Supt. at the Erwin Mills in Cooleemee, Mr. Bowman is active in various phases of civic activities. He is a member of the Mocksville Rotary Club; chairman of the camping activities committee in the Davie District of Boy Scouts of America; a member of the finance committee of the local Girl Scouts and is an active member of the First Presbyterian Church of Mocksville.

Other members of the Davie County Hospital Board of Trustees include: C. D. Jamerson, Chairman; V. G. Prim, Vice-Chairman; T. L. Junker, Treasurer; Mrs. Helen G. Wilson, Secretary; James E. Esie, Charlie F. Barnhardt, Mrs. George Martin, Claude Carter, Herman Brewer, G. R. Madison and Eugene Vogler.



CHARLES F. BAHNSON

Bobby Edwards Local Agent At Raleigh Office

CHARLOTTEVILLE, Va. - Bobby Eugene Edwards, a native of Davie County and a graduate of Cooleemee High School, has been appointed a local agent in the Raleigh office of the State Farm Mutual Automobile Insurance Co.

Edwards, who formerly worked for the C and O Railway Company, received his B.S. degree from Appalachian State Teachers College in 1969.

Mrs. Lakey, 91, Of Mocksville

MOCKSVILLE - Mrs. Maggie Lankston Lakey, 91, of Route 5, died Tuesday in the Surry County Hospital.

She was born August 28, 1875, in Davie County, the daughter of John Lewis and Elizabeth Summers Clodfelter.

She had been married twice. Her first husband was Max C. Lankston, and her second husband was Thomas G. Lakey.

Surviving are two sons, Roy and W. M. Lankston, both of Rt. 5, Mocksville; and two stepsons, Roland and Evan Lakey, both of Route 2, Mocksville.

Funeral services were held Thursday at 3 P.M. at Eaton's Funeral Chapel by the Rev. T. L. Junker, D. J. Mando; Rev. Wade Hutchins; and Rev. Wade Hutchins.

Burial was in Eaton's Baptist Church Cemetery.

FFC DONALD OVERCASH
APPOINTED ASSISTANT CHAPLAIN - Pfc. Donald R. Overcash, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Overcash of No. 50 Duke Street, Cooleemee, has been appointed Assistant Chaplain in Viet Nam.

Pfc. Overcash took basic training at Ft. Jackson, S. C. He received a 13-week course at Ft. Eustis, Va. Hull Repairman before going overseas.

PTA Meeting On Feb. 21

On Monday evening, February 21, the Cooleemee School Parent-Teachers Association will hold a meeting at 7:30 P. M. A film, "Mathematics for Tomorrow", put out by the State Board of Education will be shown. This film is to help parents to learn the importance of this new method of teaching math. All parents of pre-school children are especially invited to attend.

David Cook of the U. S. Navy is spending a leave until February 22, with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. V. Cook. He took his basic training at Great Lakes, Ill. and will now be stationed at Pensacola, Fla.

Davie Wins Over North Rowan

MOCKSVILLE Davie County High's Rebels pulled away from a stubborn North Rowan High quint for a 58-40 victory in the North Piedmont Conference here last Tuesday night.

The Rebels, who occupy second place in the league race, managed a slim five-point lead, 25-20, at halftime, but they exerted their power in the last two stanzas to roll up the 18-point victory.

Davie outscored the Cavaliers by 18-12 in the third period and 15-8 in the final quarter.

It was the ninth conference win against two setbacks for the Rebels. They are 12-3 for the season. The loss was North's ninth in the loop against two wins. The Cavs are 2-13 for the campaign.

Randall Ward and Jerry Hendrix set the pace for Davie County with 18 points apiece. Fred Bailey followed with 12 and William Carter added 10.

Benny Craig fired in 16 points to lead the Cavaliers. Tommy Thompson was runner-up in the scoring with 12.

In the opener of the twin bill, Davie County's girls edged North Rowan, 35-31. They broke a 22-22 deadlock at the end of the third period to take the win.

Marsha Bailey fired in 19 points to lead the Davie girls. Grace Wright had 15 points for North Rowan.

Davie's girls remained in second place with a 9-2 record. They are 11-44 for the season. North is 3-8 in the conference and 4-10 for the year.

The summary:
Girls Game
NORTH ROWAN (31) - Wright 15, Allen, Lackey 2, Brooks, Bowen 8, L. Barnes 2, J. Barnes 1, Graham 2.
DAVIE COUNTY (35) - Bailey 19, Jordan 10, Hartman, Markland 4, Brigman, Miller, N. Allen, Cornatzer 2.
Score by quarters:
Davie County 9 5 8 13-35
North Rowan 5 7 10 9-31

Boys Game
Davie County (58)
F Hendrix 13
C Desmond 12
G Ward 8
G Carter 13
North Rowan (40)
F T. Thompson 12
F Craig 16
C Redding 2
G Ward 2
G Hutchins 4
Stats: North Rowan - Melton 2, Sparger 2. Davie County - Mando.
Score by quarters:
Davie County 12 12 19 15-58
North Rowan 10 10 15 6-40

Linda Allen Is 1967 Betty Crocker Homemaker Of Tomorrow

Linda Faye Allen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Gaither Allen of Route 2, Mocksville, North Carolina, by finishing first in a written homemaking knowledge and attitude examination for senior girls December 6, became Davie County High Schools 1967 Betty Crocker Homemaker of Tomorrow.

Faye is now eligible for possible state and national scholarship awards. Her test also earned her a specially designed silver charm from General Mills, sponsor of the Betty

Christine Ann Geselbracht

Mr. and Mrs. Kim Gordon Geselbracht of Westview Apts. Remount Road, Charlotte, announce the birth of a 6 lb. 12 ounce daughter, Christine Ann, on February 4th at the Presbyterian Hospital in Charlotte. Mrs. Geselbracht is the former Miss Linda Schladsensky, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Schladsensky of Mocksville.

The paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Geselbracht of Charlotte.

Two Cooleemee Youths Hurt

Two Cooleemee youths were injured Sunday morning at 12:30 February 12, five miles south of Mocksville, on RFR 1802.

Thomas Allen McSwain was a passenger in the car and was taken to Baptist Hospital in Winston-Salem for treatment.

Donald Jacobs was taken to Rowan Memorial Hospital and later transferred to a Fort Bragg Hospital.

Completes Special Management Course For Supervisors

MONTGOMERY, ALA. - Air Force Lieutenant Colonel William A. Cox, son of W. Ansel Cox Jr. of 406 Longview Ter., Greenville, S. C., has completed a special personnel and resources management course for supervisors at Montgomery AFB, Ala.

Colonel Cox, a personnel staff officer, is assigned to USAF Headquarters in Washington, D. C.

The colonel, who served during the Korean War, was commissioned in 1950 upon completion of the Air Force Reserve Officers Training Corps program at The Citadel, Charleston, South Carolina, where he received his B.A. degree in history.

The Greenville Senior High School graduate received his M.A. degree in political science from Syracuse (N. Y.) University.

His wife, Ruby, is the daughter of Mrs. S. A. Bailey of 15 Erwin St., Cooleemee, N. C.

Library News
Great Decisions - 1967 February 29-7:30 P. M. - Davie County Public Library
Subject: Viet Nam
Leader: Marty Etchison

Film showing - February 27 --- 7:30 P. M. Davie County Public Library "HE IS RISEN"

Did you know that your library receives sixty-four periodicals - subscribing to thirty-six of them and receiving the others as gifts? Some of the subjects covered in these are: antiques, travel, current events, sports, home-making, science, nature study and literature.

Several are for young people, including Seventeen for teen-agers and a practical little craft magazine for little children.

When you have time, come in and enjoy sampling the variety of periodicals ready and waiting beside the comfortable, inviting chairs. Settle back luxuriously and take a little vacation from daily routine while you catch up on your favorite subject. We will be looking for you!

Flying Saucers Over Cooleemee???



Hasty... COMMENTS by Mary Alice Hasty

The setting was like something from Mark Twain.

The night is lighted solely by a pale quarter moon glimpsed occasionally through heavy, low-lying clouds. The high frame structure, windows boarded shut for several years, has fallen into a pitiful state of disrepair; what the elements have spared the vandals have destroyed, and where gaiety and warm lights once prevailed there is now only eerie grotesqueness. Weeds are head high, and one has to walk carefully down the steep path leading from the yard to the mounds of coal dumped beside the railroad tracks, and on to the river beyond. Trees raise naked limbs in silent protest to the February sky. The only sounds come from the rustling of the weeds and the roar of the water in the blackness below. One would not care to go there alone, even when the sun is shining.

It is possible, however, that there have indeed been many visits made nearby, by persons indescribable riding in objects unidentifiable from planets who-knows-whereable?

We were there Wednesday night, along with about 50 others, and we stood precariously on the shifting coal mounds, shivered in the cold wind, talked to persons unrecognizable by flashlight, as we stared into the sky.

It all started last summer, but word has just gotten out because most people are prone to be sceptical when excitable teenage boys get excited.

Terry Ridenhour was walking home from Scout meeting one night when he saw what appeared to be a bright object in the sky that was like nothing he had ever seen before. It was hovering over the river beyond the abandoned hotel.

No one would believe Terry except his buddy, Gary Messick. Both saw it the next night and the next, and the next. Nothing much happened after that until last Sunday. The boys took two teenage girl friends over for a look, and lo and behold, all four of them saw something.

Now if no one will listen to excitable teenage boys, they certainly will to excitable teenage girls... or else they would never stop talking... so the parents investigated and word got around.

Rumor has it that the same bright object (or objects that behave in the same pattern) has been seen Sunday, Monday, and Tuesday nights of this week, usually between 8:00 and 9:00 p.m. at the same spot over the river.

I arrived on the scene at 8:30 Wednesday night and was apparently too late for the show. A group of young boys was leaving as I arrived, and they were convinced they had just seen something.

Things were in a general state of confusion until I spied Harold Foster calmly smoking a cigarette and clutching a powerful flashlight. He had, indeed, just minutes before watched three objects in the sky through powerful binoculars, and then several other persons had observed the same scene through the same binoculars.

The objects were between them and the cloud-obscured moon. There appeared to be three of them flying in a V formation until they were overhead and then one seemed to merge with another and then there were only two. They appeared to be quite large, were brilliantly lighted (the light was yellow-orange and did not flicker) and looked as though there were lighted windows all the way down the sides. They were cigar-shaped, had no visible wings, no vapor trail, and made no noise until they passed almost directly overhead; then they emitted a high-pitched humming sound as they moved away and finally out of sight.

Other observers state emphatically that the objects were two jets and one prop-driven airplane.

Perhaps the argument will soon be settled. Harold operates the Photo and Gift Shop, and he had his camera ready. He took pictures of whatever was in the sky over the South Fork River, and if the exposure was right we shall soon know more.

The performance tonight does not match what Terry and Gary insist they have seen several times over.

I saw nothing but an abandoned and dilapidated building: Got chilled, plus dirty feet from the coal pile, and a column that might be of interest to UFO addicts.

I do not scoff. I believe just about anything is possible. But I'll have to do my own seeing. This means that any UFO I see will have to be practically withing touching distances since I can't tell the Milky Way from the Big Dipper, or an airplane from a star.

An increasing number of local citizens have reported seeing Unidentified Flying Objects in the Cooleemee area in the last several weeks.

Most reports of the UFO's in the past week were sighted near the Cooleemee Dam. Several people have reported a strange lighted object swooping down over the old hotel and landing in the woods across the river.

During the past week large numbers of people have been gathering behind the old hotel, along the railroad tracks and around the dam observing the strange lights.

Wednesday night between 7 o'clock and 9 o'clock approximately 25-30 objects were sighted. Most of them were identified as airplanes but some had beautiful brilliant colors, others stopped completely still in the air, some turned their lights completely off and two appeared to be wingless and cigar shaped with lighted windows.

Other sightings were reported from North Cooleemee and Greasy Corner.

We hope to have a more detailed report in next week's Journal.

Senior Citizens

Eighty-three senior citizens with three visitors, Mrs. Rebecca Byerly Hinkle of Winston - Salem, and Messers Swaim and Chamberlain of Salisbury, met Monday morning. After singing the opening hymn, Chaplain, Mrs. Annie Miller brought our interesting devotional on Moses, the great leader of God's chosen people. She read the beautiful 90th Psalm which he wrote and brought out highlights of his life. She also read verses from the 34th Chapter of Deuteronomy and quoted a poem on The Burial of Moses, closing with prayer.

Mrs. Ida Foster brought a lovely arrangement of flowers. We also had a beautiful floral bouquet of pink gladiolus which were given in honor of our president, Mr. Granville Spry and Mrs. Spry's 40th wedding anniversary.

Get well cards this month were sent to Mrs. Louis Kadaras, Mrs. Ida Massey, Mrs. Granville McCullough, and Mr. Lindsey Head, was the only member known to be on the sick list at the present.

The program was a humorous one, Mrs. M. H. Ridenhour read the poem, "St. Peter at the Golden Gate" and then five women and five men had a 2-minute confab without the use of any personal pronouns. If you want to know how difficult it is, just try it.

After singing "The More We Get Together", refreshments and informal singing was enjoyed.

Our February birthday party will be on February 27, at 10 A. M.

Episcopal Church Women Meet

On Wednesday evening the Episcopal Churchwomen of Cooleemee and Fork held a joint meeting at the home of Mrs. Lucille Greene in Fork. Seven members from Cooleemee and seven from Fork were present for the meeting. After separate business sessions, the group assembled for the program on The Prayer Book presented by Mrs. Alvin Potts with Mrs. Joe Swicegood. At the close of the meeting, the hostess served refreshments assisted by Mrs. Lillian Siden.

Terry Ward, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Richard Ward, underwent an emergency appendectomy at the Hospital on Sunday.



GEORGE C. CASTOR, JR.

Castor Named Supervisor

George C. Castor, Jr. has been named Supervisor of Erwin Mills, a Division of Burlington Industries.

Mr. Castor was born in Rowan County, graduated from Granite Quarry High School and completed the International Correspondence Course in Yarn Preparation. He is married to the former Miss Rachel Rebecca Brady of Kannapolis and was associated with the Cannon Mills Company in Concord, North Carolina for 17 years. Mr. Castor is a member of the Mt. Hope United Church of Christ and is Assistant Scout Master of Troop 358 in Salisbury.

Mr. Castor was born in Rowan County, graduated from Granite Quarry High School and completed the International Correspondence Course in Yarn Preparation. He is married to the former Miss Rachel Rebecca Brady of Kannapolis and was associated with the Cannon Mills Company in Concord, North Carolina for 17 years. Mr. Castor is a member of the Mt. Hope United Church of Christ and is Assistant Scout Master of Troop 358 in Salisbury.