EDITORIALS

JSI Steps Forward In Duplin

Recently, it was announced that James Sprunt Institute in a cooperative effort with the University of North Carolina (UNC) at Wilmington will be offering a college transfer program in Duplin County.

The new established General Education Curriculum with the College Transfer Option will mean much to Duplin County.

This program will enable students from Duplin, who, for one reason or another, can not go off to college, an opportunity to get their first year of college at home.

The two main objectives of this program are: to provide the student with a general education in the humanities and social sciences leading to the two-year associate degree, and/or to provide the student with the freshman level of course work leading to the four-year baccalaureate degree.

Each of us as citizens of Duplin County should be proud of the efforts and fine programs at JSI.

As JSI steps forward, so should we, and give our wholehearted support to this fine program.

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It is hard to realize that summer is over and this week the school bells rang throughout our county, and many others. I urge each person interested in the education of our children to cooperate in doing his or her part to make this a successful school year. These boys and girls of today will be our leaders tomorrow. And tomorrow we will need stronger leadership than ever before in the history of this great country.

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The chant of the auctioneer in Duplin last week sung dollars in the pockets of weary tobacco farmers. It has been a long, hard, and wet hot barning season. And while the farmer is grateful for seemingly high sales, remember if tobacco had gone up since World War II proportionately with building materials and a few other products, the farmer would be getting $8.00 per pound instead of 80¢ per pound for his crop.

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Our area was surely smiled upon when the path of Camele was formed. One reporter said it was the most destructive storm since 1935. Seems that I've never heard of that storm, in fact "Hazel" back in 1954 was the first hurricane I was personally acquainted with. Am sure there were earlier ones but our present news media helps to make these things more impressionable. The pictures on TV in the last few days of Gulfport, Mississippi and other places of destruction will be hard to forget.

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Ruth Grady and daughter Margaret was in town last weekend. Surely was good to see her for a few minutes. City life (Chapel Hill) seems to be agreeing with Ruth, and I am sure that she is enjoying it, but we really do miss her.

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Our lovely little typist, Jo Anne Somers left us last week to become a part of the office personnel at Reeves Brothers. Jo Anne had endeared herself to all of us here at the Times and we do miss her. Lots of luck, "Little Jo," we're for you one hundred percent.

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My young friends, Mr. and Mrs. Randall Callahan of Rt. 2, Pink Hill are the proud parents of a baby girl Mary Angella, born August 21, 1969 at Duplin General Hospital. Mrs. Callahan is the former Debbie Quinn of Kenansville.

If for no reason other than Mary Angella, August 21st would be a very special day for Debbie and Randall.

But there are other reasons. Debbie's mother Juanita Quinn had a birthday - August 21st.

Oh yes--and one other reason--Randall's mother, Mrs. Rolland Thigpen, formerly Mary Ellis Thomas, also had a birthday August 21st.

Teacher Certification Program To Be Renewed At E. C. U's Goldsboro Center

The introductory course to a new program which will lead to certification of teachers in Trade and Industrial Education will be offered again next quarter at the Goldsboro Center of East Carolina University.

Instituted at the request of education officials of the Air Force, the program will be open to all qualified civilians of the area as well as Air Force personnel of Seymour Johnson Air Force Base.

The purpose of the program is to offer persons with several years of experience in vocational fields an opportunity to take the eighteen quarters of professional education couses which will make them eligible for receiving an "A" certificate in trade and industrial education.

The vocational fields include auto mechanics, metal and woodworking, printing, electronics, radio, furniture, bricklaying, and a long list of others.

The program, which is open to experienced with a high school diploma or equivalent, will consist of six courses each carrying three quarters of academic credit. Each course will last eight weeks and will cost $42.00. Air Force tuition assistance and VA funds may be used to finance the tuition. A [illegible] of thirty people may enroll in each class. The first [illegible] which begins September [illegible] is a prerequisite to the classes which will follow. The [illegible] sequence of this course is although a student is job others who began the program when it was initially begun last spring. Except for this first prerequisite course, the other five courses may be taken in any order.

While this program is designed primarily to meet the requirements for more vocational teachers in North Carolina, programs in many other states are so similar that persons from other areas of the country should also take advantage of this opportunity.

The six courses to be offered are: Introduction to Industrial and Technical Education, Industrial Aids and Devices In Industrial Education, Trade and Job Analysis, Teaching Content and Methods, Evaluation in Industrial Education, and Laboratory Problems in Industrial Education.

Applications for the program can now be made on a first come first served basis at the ECU Center office in the Education Building at Seymour Johnson Air Force Base.

For further information call Goldsboro 735-5277.

CREATIVE HOBBIES LEAD TO JOYFUL SELF-DISCOVERY

HOW ABOUT BOOKBINDING? It's a fascinating craft! Rebinding valuable books, mending your favorites, making leather portfolios, learning to hand-tool them all mean craft-filled hours, and you can make decorative pieces of your own book collection.

WEAVING will keep you utterly absorbed for hours on end. You'll need tubes of basic colors, brushes, a jar for thinned oil, turpentine, sketchbooks and canvas boards.

JEWELRY? ENAMELING? You may just solve your gift problems forever with an unusual one-of-a-kind-bracelet, or a lovely bowl that you have "fired" yourself.

Small World

Sermon Of The Week

J. Huber Dixon
"It Pays to Serve Jesus!"
(I Perer 1: 3-8)

A cartoon in a leading magazine recently showed a small boy standing beside his desk in a schoolroom and saying to his teacher in repose to her question, "What's in it for me? A man got a thousand dollars on TV last night for answering the same question." "What's in it for me?" is the somewhat selfish cry everywhere in our age. And yet can we not say that this cry is considered legitimate in our free enterprise system in our great country? Any good business man who makes an investment will ask this question before he invests.

And, my friends, it is also a legitimate question in the spiritual realm. Jesus encouraged men to "lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven" (Matt. 6:20). Christianity is a practical way of life. A man who invests his life in the hands of our Lord Jesus Christ can expect real and practical returns. Peter in our Scripture presents some wonderful benefits which come from being a Christian showing that "it pays to serve Jesus".

First, Peter would show us that being a Christian means a new life. He states in V.3 that God in Christ "hath begotten us again". As Paul puts it, "old things are passed away, behold all things are become new." We are intrigued today with the word "new". Most any political leader can catch the ear of the people of our nation by claiming that he is going to bring something new. Thus we have been through what was called "the new order", the "new day", the "new economy", the "new deal" and the like. But as Herbert Hoover in a speech at the Iowa State Fair, Des Moins, 1951, observed, "none of these were really 'new' descoveries." But Jesus Christ brings something really new. He makes a man new within. By this miracle birth, called "regeneration" or the "new birth" so well described in John 3:1-16, a man receives new joy, new ambition, new loves and a new outlook. As Charles Spurgeon so well puts it when he became a Christian, "there and then the cloud was gone and that moment I saw the sun". Spurgeon was "made new" and his life after this declared that he had experienced a revolutionary change.

It was only after this that his life became truly worthwhile. As a preacher of the Gospel he turned many into the true way of life.

But this is only the beginning of the wonderful benefits of the Christian life. Peter speaks in verse 3 of "a lively (living) hope." If you take a man's hope away he is lost indeed. Men desperately need this "living hope" to spur them on today. The bright hopes of earth many time s encourage us, but these hopes sometime die and fade away. But this is a living hope that cannot and will not die. It is as the writer of Hebrews puts it "an anchor of the soul, both sure and steadfast" (Heb. 6:19). It will encourage us here; it will become a reality in that day when Our Lord Jesus Christ comes. In the meantime we can be "looking for that blessed hope and the glorious appearing of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ." Titus 2:13.

But the benefits of the Christian life listed by Peter continue. He says the Christian has an inheritance, "incorruptible, undefiled and that fadeth not away, reserved in heaven for you." V. 4 A man said to me recently that he was going to invest all his extra money in real estate for this, he said, is the most dependable investment that a man can make. And he is probably right as far as this world is concerned. But the trouble is, even this kind of investment is corruptible and will fade away. But our eternal inheritance in Christ is not corruptible nor will it fade away. But you may be like the men in Chicago who said to me one day, "I don't want my 'pie in the sky'; I want it now.' But consider, my friend, this life in the light of eternity, is so extremely short. If there is an eternal life for the redeemed or an eternal death for the unredeemed, our main pursuit in this life is to prepare for eternity. And a part of this preparation is to "lay up for ourselves and eternal treasure, an eternal inheritance.

We could go on but let me simple mention two other benefits. One is our security in Christ. Why are we secure? Because as Peter puts it in V. 5 we "are kept by the power of God through faith". This is reason enough to feel secure for "underneath and the everlasting arms" of God. Finally, though we may have trials, we have glorious victory at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. Paul does not attempt to hide the fact that the Christian life entails some suffering. But even this he says is "more precious than of gold that perisheth" (V. 7) But after the battle comes the victory! We may find ourselves battle-scarred and weary after this life with Christ, but it will be worth it. For this life in Christ well lived, this battle well fought will "be found onto praise and honor and glory at the appearing of Jesus Christ." (V. 7)

This, then, is the only worthwhile life. It is a life with clear-cut benefits. My friends, it pays to serve Jesus. Will you begin to serve Him today?

The Minister's Desk

by: D.S. Patterson, Pastor
Temple Baptist Church, Wilmington, N.C.

Gunther Wiehler, of Stuttgart Germany, who wed model Romy Metzger, winner of a beard-dressed contest, has left her because she cannot cook or keep house. "My wife dresses to kill," he said. "Unfortunately, she cooks the same way."

There is in this little story at least one of the secrets why many marriages fail today, and why there are so many tensions in many marriages that have not failed. The major interest lies somewhere else. Less attention is given to home responsibilities than to outside interests and activities. Both husband and wife are often guilty of this sin against the home. I would guess, however, that the husband is the guilty party more often than the wife.

It has been said that there are three kinds of husbands--the p-ize, the sur-prise, and the consolation prize. The husband who is a prize loves his family and devotes himself to it while he is working and when he has leisure time. The sur-prise is so unpredictable that the wife and children never know what he is going to do next. He is emotionally immature and vacillates between periods when he tries to be a man and periods when he acts like a baby. The consolation prize is the man who is more interested in outside activities than his own home. His young bride thought him to be a prize, but the prize is never home. Instead, she finds herself married to a consolation prize. She is relegated to second place.

Where genuine interest is not shown by the members of a family in each other strained relations develop. The ability to sail the seas of matrimony and weather the storms is lost. Drifting toward the rocks becomes inevitable. Consequently, the marriage which started out to be a vessel of cherrities ocean and to be a launch of religious raisin' cain, raisin' kids, raisin' taxes, and raisin' money. And the home, like the raisin, becomes shriveled. The wrinkles appear.

Yes, there are too many outside interests for the members of the home today. These interests take the members of the home away from each other during the moments they should spend together. The father is bowling, golfing, fishing, or just plain out with the gang. The wife is shopping, clubbing, playing cards. The kids are often scattered all the way from Kalamazoo to Podunk. Loneliness results. Estrangement grows out of loneliness. Bitterness grows out of estrangement. Hatred grows out of bitterness.

The member of the family who puts the family above all outside interests is one of the good guys. His favorite game is probably goodminton. He leaves badminton to the bad guys.

Congressman David N. Henderson Reports from Washington

Like all tax bills, this one came to the floor of the House under a "closed rule" which requires us to accept or reject it in its entirety without an opportunity to amend it on the floor. The purpose of this procedure is to insure that the House does not act hastily on laws which so vitally affect our basic fiscal stability without the Ways and Means Committee having had an opportunity to make a studied and careful evaluation of each item in the bill and to know how it affects our revenues in dollars and cents.

There were provisions in this bill like extension of the surtax from January until June, 1970 at a 5% rate, and other features which I did not like and would not have voted for had they been presented as separate items, but taken on balance and as a whole, I believe that the act provides a considerably more equitable overall tax structure and affords deserved and needed relief to the lower and middle-income taxpayers who still bear the burden of paying most of the tax levied by the federal government. Relief will not be dramatic, but I am confident that the great majority of lower and middle income taxpayers will receive measurable relief from this bill, assuming that it is approved by the Senate and signed by the President in substantially the form it passed the House.

Last week, I voted with a majority of the members of the House in favor of the Tax Reform Act of 1969. This complex and far-reaching measure will be felt by most taxpayers in one way or another, and in my opinion will afford relief to many more of my constituents than it will affect adversely.

SENATOR SAM ERVIN ★ SAYS ★

WASHINGTON -- The month-long Senate debate over the deployment of the ABM system has focused in the main on the discontent growing out of our involvement in the Vietnam War. When all is said, however, this part of the debate strayed from the crucial questions relating to the safety of the nation case of enemy attack.

In reaching a judgment in favor of the deployment of the ABM system, I weighed the arguments pro and con relating to what seemed to me to be the supreme questions involved in this controversy, and have come to these conclusions:

First: Can the Soviets by the mid-1970's acquire a capability sufficient to endanger our strategic missile deterrent? The weight of the evidence clearly indicates that they can -- if they continue on their present course and we take no further action now to increase our presently planned strategic offensive forces or to improve their survivability. There is general agreement that the Soviets can by the mid-1970's acquire a force of SS-9 ICBM's and submarine-launched missiles large enough virtually to destroy our entire land-based missile and manned bomber forces in a surprise attack.

Some have argued that our Polaris-Poseidon forces alone will be a sufficient deterrent, but they overlook the point that it is the height of folly, considering what is at stake, to depend for our deterrent upon only one of the three major elements of our strategic offensive forces (bombers, ICBM's, and submarines), no matter how invulnerable that force may appear to be today. Common prudence dictates that we must do everything possible to hedge against technological surprises in the future.

Second: Will the Soviets continue on their present course? No one knows the answer to this, but until we have some proof to the contrary we must assume that they will. All doubrs must be resolved in favor of the continued adequacy of our deterrent.

Third: Will the deployment of the Safeguard system offer the best choice in insuring the continued survival of the minimum force required for deterrence of nuclear attack by an enemy power? There are many ways to achieve that objective, but none of them in my judgment will serve our purpose as well. The Safeguard system simply deters aggression by increasing the survivability of our land-based Minute Man missiles in case of attack. This would strengthen our deterrent capability at its most vulnerable point, but would not increase our offensive nuclear power.

Fourth: Will the Safeguard system work? Although there are certainly contrary opinions on this question, it seems to me that the weight of the evidence favors the conclusion that the Safeguard system will work. What we are really talking about is having enough retaliatory power to enable us to survive after a surprise enemy attack. The Safeguard system can achieve this even if it works at less than 100-percent effectiveness.

Fifth: Will the Safeguard system deter talks with the Soviets on limitation of strategic armaments? I can find no evidence that it would. The Soviets have their own ABM system around Moscow, and that has been no impediment to our desire to have talks with them on arms limitations.

For these reasons, it seems to me that Congress should provide for the safety of the nation and choose some other vehicle to debate the frustrations engendered by the Vietnam War and my domestic problems.

LOOKING BACK

1 YEAR AGO

Deputy Rodney Thigpen returned home Monday after being hospitalized for some time at Wayne Memorial Hospital in Goldsboro.

Tobacco burns in freak fire on way to market, vehicle and contents owned by Alton Newton of Kenansville.

Mount Olive College receives check for $5,000 from Freddie Bell on behalf of National Spinning Company. Mr. Bell is manager of the textile plant at Warsaw.

5 YEARS AGO

Kenansville Volunteer Fire Department wins $750. prize in efficiency contest.

Haywood Earl Houston, 17, of Beulaville drowned Sunday while swimming at White Lake.

Homecoming set for 136 year old Providence Methodist Church., the mother church of both Wallace and Rose Hill Churches.

County is hit by severe winds, especially Rose Hill area last week.

10 YEARS AGO

David C. (Buddy) Williamson, Kenansville native is appointed district manager of Southern Bell Telephone Co.

Education for Retarded Children discussed at County wide meet. Mrs. Nell Wilson of Rose Hill is acting chairman of the newly organized group.

Jail break of six men averted by Sheriff Ralph Miller and his deputies.

Edgar L. Sykes, Jr., opens new jewelry shop in Warsaw.

20 YEARS AGO

W. H. Russell, chairman Local Draft Board No. 3) announces removed of local office to Elizabethtown.

Rev. C.D. Barefift to hold revival services in Kenansville Methodist Church. James Blackmore will conduct services in Warsaw Baptist Church.

Sam Byrd, author and producer of THE DUPLIN STORY speaks to Rose Hill Civitan Club.

Resurfacing of highway 117 between Warsaw and Mt. Olive is completed.

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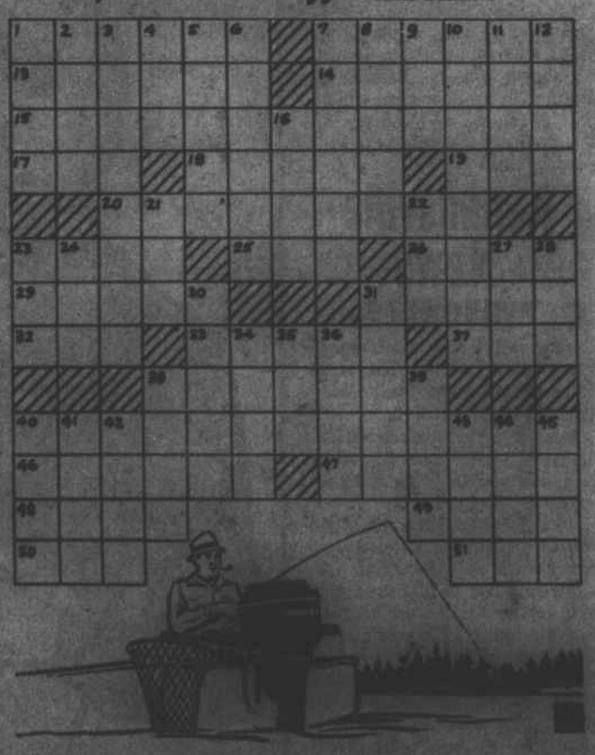

ACROSS
1. Bees make it into honey.
7. Nets dragged in deep-sea fishing.
13. Girl's name meaning lovable.
14. Rifle kick.
15. Camper's cooker (2 wds.).
17. Epoch.
18. Florida resort city.
19. Less than lovable.
20. Evergreen fruits.
22. Popular type of sailboat.
25. Country with Hanoi as capital.
28. Among.
29. Campers' loads.
31. Meat sauce.
32. Wood chopper.
33. Dwindle.
37. Nest of pheasants.
38. Lowest orbit point.
40. Taste for games or betting (2 wds.).
46. Having pores.
47. Hunt for.
48. Napoleon's lonely isle.
49. Part of Western nations.
50. Things to take care of.
51. Like crib kids.

DOWN
1. Back of the neck.
2. Italian capital (reversed).
3. Turtle's shell.
4. High explosive.
5. "Give — —!" (Motto for today).
6. Hydrophobia.
7. Less than an earthquake.
8. Pine tree product.
9. Pretend.
10. He's at home in the forest.
11. Fresh, as bait.
12. Killed.
16. Pretty.
21. Irritate.
24. Cow handle.
25. Hot springs.
26. Surcharge.
27. Climbing plant.
28. It's used to mark spot on the sea.
30. Small bar. racudas.
31. Bird like the loon.
34. Lake that almost died.
35. Can.
36. Nest fillers.
38. South Seas outrigger canoe.
39. Verve.
40. Want full profile.
41. Game on horseback.
42. Globes.
43. Upbeat.
44. Right, as a profit.
46. Arab and big ship.