

— Obituaries —

JUNNY WESLEY JORDAN

Junny Wesley Jordan, 28, of Tunis, was killed in an automobile accident early Sunday morning near Eure Station on N.C. 137.

A native of Gates County, he was the son of George Washington Jordan of Norfolk. He was a member of the Hobbsville Baptist Church and was employed by C.F. Industries in Tunis as a machinery operator.

Besides his father he is survived by a son, Wesley Jordan of Hobbsville; a sister, Mrs. Nelson Smith of Belvidere, and a brother, Sammy Jordan of Rt. 1, Belvidere.

Funeral services were held Tuesday at 2:00 in the Hobbsville Baptist Church by the Rev. Bobby Hewitt. Burial was in the church cemetery.

Swindell Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

MRS. MARGARET BARBER MANSFIELD

Funeral services for Mrs. Margaret Barber Mansfield, 79, of Rt. 1 Box 898, Hertford were held Wednesday at 2 p.m. in the Chapel of Swindell Funeral Home by the Revs. George Broome and Jesse Ray Mansfield.

The Great Hope Baptist Church Choir sang "The Old Rugged Cross." The organist was Mrs. Preston Morgan.

The pall was made of pink carnations, white chrysanthemums, baby's breath and fern.

The pallbearers were Archie T. Lane Jr.; Thomas Hollowell, Jesse Dail, Mike Shannon, Hubert McDaniel and Laverne Barber.

Burial was in Cedarwood Cemetery.

ZACK DENNIS ROBERTSON

Zack Dennis Robertson, 63, of Rt. 1, Hertford, died Wednesday morning in the N.C. Memorial Hospital in Chapel Hill.

A native of Perquimans County, he was the son of the late Elisha and Lillie Bell Askett Robertson and the husband of Mrs. Mary Davenport Robertson.

He was the owner of Robertson's Rental Uniform and Linene Service, a member of the Hertford Baptist Church and a member of Perquimans Masonic Lodge No. 106.

Surviving besides his widow are one daughter: Mrs. Mary Ann Bunch of Rt. 3, Edenton; three sons: Zack (Jack) Robertson, Jr. of Elizabeth City, Jim Robertson of Rt. 3, Hertford and Capt. Howard Robertson of San Antonio, Texas; one sister: Mrs. Darvis Copeland of Tyner; one brother: Alphonso E. Robertson of Tyner and seven grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Friday at 2 p.m. in the chapel of the Swindell Funeral Home with the Rev. Charles Duling officiating. Burial was in Cedarwood Cemetery with Masonic Rites being accorded by Perquimans Masonic Lodge No. 106.

"The Old Rugged Cross" and "Safe In The Arms of Jesus" were played softly during the service by Mrs. Preston Morgan, organist.

Masonic pallbearers were John White, James White, Noah Gregory; Keith Haskett, Matt Spivey, and Jarvis Ward. Honorary pallbearers were Gene Bennett, Ed Howell, Bradford Howell, Josh Davenport, Stencil Davenport, and Julian Broughton.

The pall was made of white chrysanthemums, red roses, white stock and fern.

Swindell Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Our Apologies

Due to an early deadline and the Christmas Holidays, several regular features such as the Looking Backwards column and the People in the News are not included in this issue. They will be included next week.



BOOKS FOR CHILDREN — Just prior to the Christmas Holidays, Charles Woodard, C.D. White and Johnnie Gregory made their annual visit to Perquimans Central School to pass out books for each of the students to keep. Books were given to all first graders in the county. The merchants are shown above as the children serenaded them with Christmas carols.

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Announcements

From First Baptist

Watch Night Service will be held at First Baptist Church in Hertford for all the county on Wednesday night, Dec. 31 beginning at 10 p.m. Rev. W.B. Moore and congregation will give

the last sermon of the old year. Rev. J.H. London will give the first prayer of the New Year.

Refreshments will be served.

Community Project

Do people living in the thousands of small towns across the country have any control over the future of their way of life — a way that has been the backbone of the nation throughout its history?

Can citizens of these small cities and towns take advantage of modern science and technology to plan for their future?

The belief they can is behind an ambitious Bicentennial project called "Century 3 Communities Program." The program has been granted national recognition by the American Revolution Bicentennial Administration.

C3CP, for short, will help communities design and build a "Community Early Warning System" to set long-term goals and build consensus around them. The programs will be backed by some of the technology and decision making tools developed by big government and business since World War II.

The tools range from a new kind of card file to a computer, and from a community fair to cable television. Different approaches will be used in different communities according to their needs and resources.

Developed by The Institute, a non-profit organization with headquarters in Dickerson, Md., C3CP will involve 13 specific towns across the country during the Bicentennial era. Programs and procedures developed and proven in the original 13 communities will be available to any other interested locality.

What will participation in the program bring a community?

First, the C3CP staff will supply guidelines and technical assistance in designing the early warning system.

Second, the program will maintain experienced consultants on call for social problems.

Third, for communities

that wish to adapt computers and other sophisticated technology to their own uses, the staff will help write and circulate proposals for funding from other sources.

Communities will have to fund their own activities but will pay no money to the program's staff.

The 13 communities, of less than 25,000 people will be selected by early 1976 and will officially kick off their local programs with community fairs July 4, 1976. The Institute will continue assisting in the efforts over a three-year period, at which time a community can choose to keep going on its own or not.

The Institute was founded in late 1971 to develop and disseminate practical techniques for small communities, small businesses, individuals and various organizations to help cope with social and technological change.

The first stage of C3CP was funded by the Bicentennial Council of the Thirteen Original States, the Franklin Mint Corporation, and the National Science Foundation. The Institute is actively seeking additional funding to help carry out the remainder of the program.

Communities interested in participating in the program or wanting additional information should contact: Clark H. Wilson, C3CP, Box 174, Route 1, Dickerson, Maryland 20753

MORE DECLINE

North Carolina sheep numbers continue to dwindle. The latest count indicates that Tar Heel farmers have only 11,000 head, a decline from last year of 8 per cent.

SORGHUM GRAIN

North Carolina farmers produced an estimated 3.7 million bushels of sorghum grain last year with an average yield of 53 bushels per acre — 5 bushels higher than in 1973.

Sunday School Lesson

A BETTER WAY (Matthew 5:38-48)

One writer has once said that "our principles are the spring of our actions; our actions, the spring of our happiness or misery. Too much care, therefore, cannot be taken in forming our principles."

Another said it is "better to be poisoned in one's blood, than to be poisoned in one's principles."

The Sermon on the Mount is not a set of rules and regulations. Jesus laid down principles which govern the character and conduct of the Kingdom citizen.

It must be born in mind that the Sermon on the Mount was primarily for the citizen of the Kingdom of God. It was not given as a way into the Kingdom of God. It was not given as a way into the Kingdom, but to declare the nature, character, and conduct of one already in!

ENCOUNTERING EVIL (MATT. 38:42)

Evil is as much a reality in the world as light and darkness. Every man encounters evil. It will be brought into clear focus to the person who seeks to live out the principles laid down by Jesus Christ.

The ancient had their way of dealing with harm done to another. It was the law of "eye for eye and tooth for tooth." Jesus declared there was a better way. Jesus taught that one should not resist with evil. To resist with evil is to urstep a right which belongs only to God. The positive side of His teaching was to turn the other cheek; give His cloak also; go with Him two miles. The Christian can afford to leave the outcome in God's hands. When the Christian doesn't strike back, he enables the Father to work through his attitudes and act of submission. God often brings evil men to see themselves as they really are.

EMULATING EXCELLENCE (MATT. 5:43-47)

The Old Testament never taught hatred for one's enemies, but many of the teachers taught this to the people. Again, Jesus offers a better way. Citizens of God's Kingdom must love their enemies, "bless them that curse you, do good to them that hate you, and pray for them that

despitefully use you." This action must grow out of the fact that they were God's children. God's children must act like their Father. "Like father, like son," is essential in the spiritual relationship.

All men are God's creation and He does not love some above others. He sends the sunshine and the rain on both the good and the bad. We must love and pray for all men, because "God so loved the world that He gave his only begotten son (John 3:16A)."

Such example would show the world that God is your Father. Those outside the Kingdom will be drawn by such example. They will see that your's is not a selfish love, but a self-giving love.

EMULATING EXCELLENCE (MATT. 5:48)

This single verse has troubled man. What did Jesus mean by his use of the word "perfect?" Does this mean sinless affection? It is surely true that Our Lord does not want anyone to sin at all. The word has been given various translations such as mature, complete, sinless, and others. The term "wholeness" is an accurate translation for this word. David was a man after God's own heart, yet David wasn't perfect in the sense of being without sin. But David's heart was undivided. It was characterized by wholeness. This is demonstrated by his genuine repentance following his acts of sin.

Even in moral and ethical conduct, God's goal is perfection, but only God is really perfect.

BIBLE QUESTION OF THE WEEK

Are there any conditions which must yet be fulfilled before Christ returns?

ANSWER:

"Jesus taught in Matt. 24:42 that we should 'Watch therefore; for you know not what hour your Lord doth come.'" The Bible teaches that Jesus could come today. Only God knows the hour.

Special Program

The Emancipation Proclamation Program will be held Thursday night, Jan. 1 at 7:30 p.m. and is being sponsored by the Perquimans County Branch of the NAACP.

Speaker for the occasion

MASH CAN

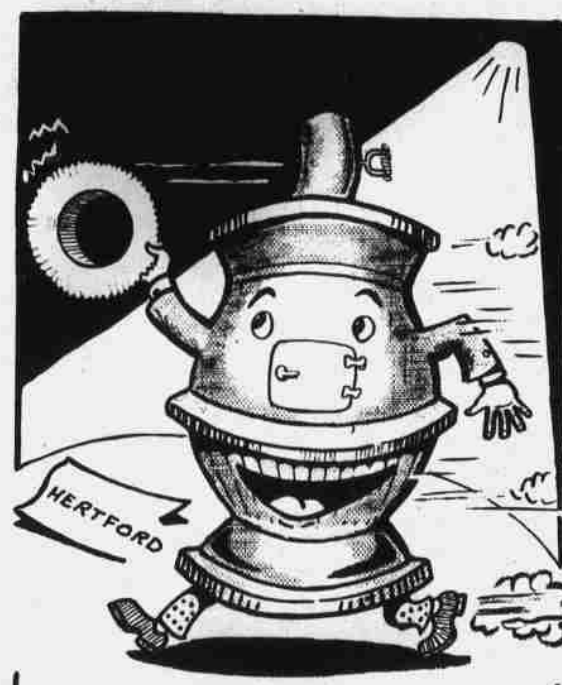
Homemakers can do something about pollution. Next time you open canned goods, pour out the contents, then also open the other end of the container. Step on the remainder of the can to mash it flat. The mashed can and flat ends will take up 90 percent less space in the garbage truck and in the landfill, say extension home economics specialists, North Carolina State University.

will be the Honorable Dr. Joy J. Johnson, Representative from the Congressional District 21 of North Carolina. He has several outstanding awards, citations and achievements to his credit and is presently the president of the General Baptist State Convention of North Carolina. Dr. Johnson is the pastor of the First Baptist Church of Fairmont, N.C.

Music will be furnished by various choirs and a special mass choir. Berlie Moore of Elizabeth City, N.C. will serve as organist.

N.C. HONEY

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