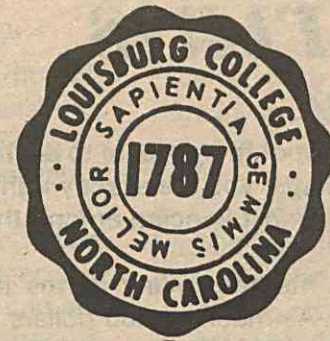


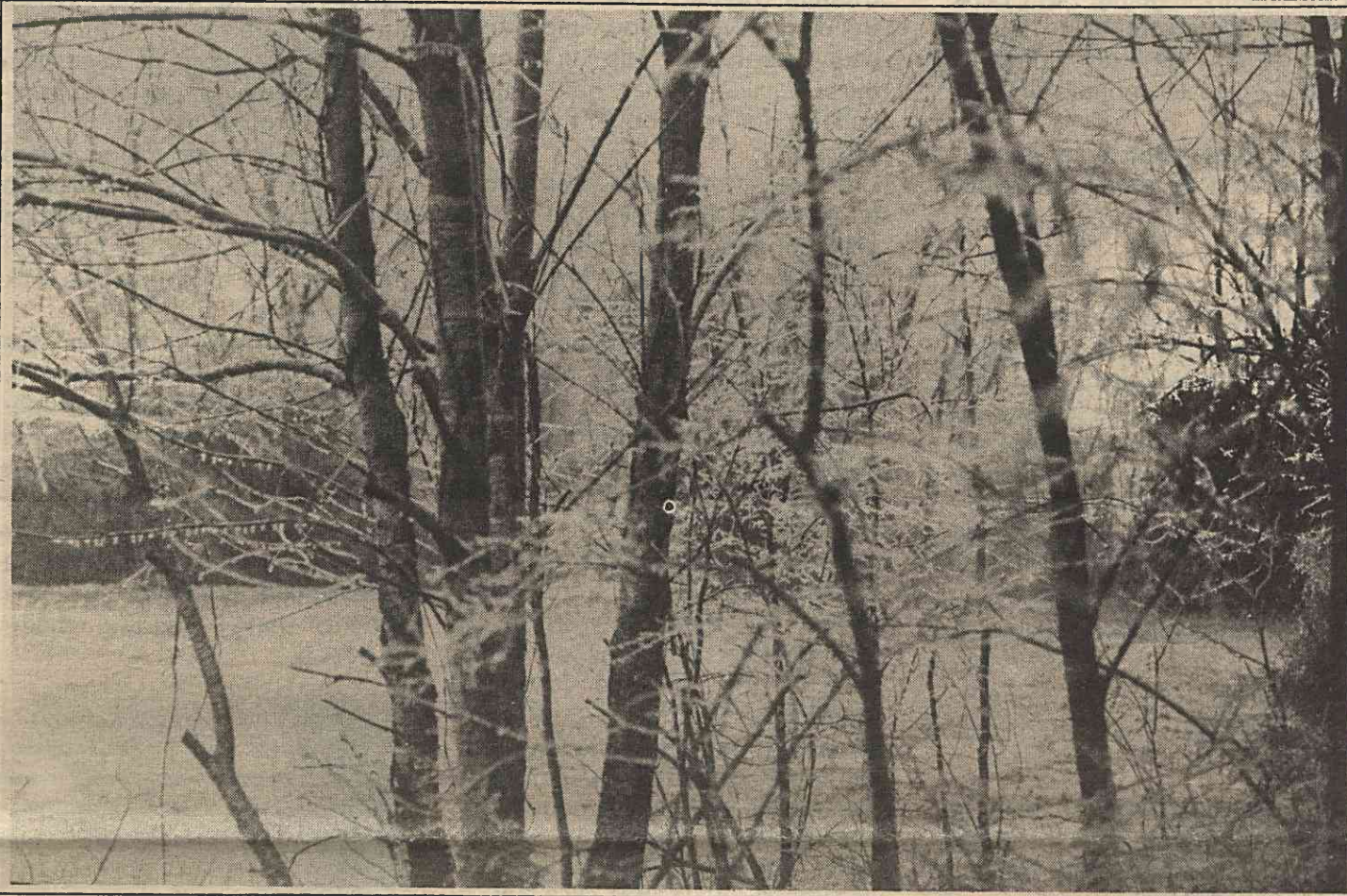
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One day recently, glossy ice settled over the Louisburg Campus. As beautiful as it was, it caused some very slippery situations. As students went from class to class, they neither walked nor ran but rather crawled along at an even pace in order not to cause or to have a mishap.

Capt. James H. Brown Retires January 1

A Familiar face among the faculty at Louisburg College is missing in the Spring Semester. Capt. James H. Brown, Professor of Mathematics since 1962, retired from teaching on January 1, 1978.

This is not the first retirement for Capt. Brown, since teaching is the second career for the gentleman. He enjoyed an extensive thirty year stint in the Navy prior to his coming to Louisburg College. A graduate of the U. S. Naval Academy in 1935, Capt. Brown served in World War II as the commander of a destroyer. By coincidence, on Dec. 7, 1941, Capt. Brown was the officer in charge of a destroyer that was bombed by the Japanese at Pearl Harbor. A total of twenty-three lives were lost on that ship, and Capt. Brown considers himself among the lucky. "I was the Engineer Officer of the ship at that time," he recalls. "The Commander of the ship was ashore with his family at the time of the bombing, and I being the senior officer on the ship, was in charge."

After the war was over, Captain Brown taught Marine Engineering at the U. S. Naval Academy from 1945-47. He also taught for three

and one-half years from 1950-53 at the U. S. Naval War College at Newport, R.I. After this he commanded numerous Naval activities ashore and afloat. His last tour of duty was as Chief of Staff to the Commander, U. S. Naval Base at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba.

After retiring from the Navy in 1961, Capt. Brown attended Duke University to work on his M.A.T. (Master of Arts in Teaching) degree specializing in Mathematics. In 1962, the President of Louisburg College, Dr. Cecil W.



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Robbins, went to Duke in search of a Math teacher. "It was really by chance that I ended up here," Capt. Brown says, "Dr. Robbins came looking for a teacher and the placement office at Duke gave him my resume along with some others, and I was chosen," he smiles.

While many sixty-five year olds are complaining about mandatory retirement regulations, Capt. Brown is certainly not one of them! "I am quite ready to retire," he says with a smile, "There is so much that I want to do that I'll stay quite active. I have six acres of land and quite a lot of yardwork to do! My wife says she has a plenty of things to keep me busy, too," laughs Capt. Brown.

Although he is planning no immediate travel in the near future, Capt. Brown says that he would like to get out and see some more of North Carolina and the rest of the United States. Capt. Brown has incidentally seen quite a bit of the country and globe already. He is a native of Chamberlain, South Dakota, where he spent his youth, and he has visited quite a lot of territory while in the Navy.

When asked if he could
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Mrs. Howell Joins Staff

Let's all give a big Louisburg College "what's happening" to Mrs. Lois Howell who joined the Louisburg College faculty in January as a member of the English Department. Born in Little Washington, she grew up and attended high school in Greenville, North Carolina. She completed her undergraduate work at East Carolina College and completed her course studies for a Master's degree in English at North Carolina State University. She will soon be writing her thesis paper on the Imagery of Tennyson's poem, *In Memoriam*.

She resides in Franklinton with her husband Bob Howell, the Town Administrator, and her two children.

She taught freshman composition while completing her master's course work at N. C. State. After teaching at State, she appreciates the smaller campus. She was impressed by the warm welcome she received here and commented on the willingness of students and faculty to make her feel at home.

She has also received a warm welcome from and enjoys the company of our campus canines who frequent her early morning classes in search of higher knowledge. While at Louisburg College she hopes to see some improvements in her students' writing.

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Mrs. Howell in English Comp 102 holds a special rapport with her class. She seems to really enjoy teaching. Students comment on her enthusiasm and eagerness to help.