

Teen Topics

By CAROLYN COKER



Last week, the first six weeks of the new semester ended. We got report cards Monday. We got them — you know the rest.

Wednesday was club day once again. Speaking of clubs, the Junior Civitan Club is planning a service project. This Saturday they are going to deliver loblolly pine seedlings to any interested people.

Friday night the National Honor Society is sponsoring a barbecue supper. Plates are being delivered. It is to raise money for the scholarship they give annually.

Also Friday night, the teen age club is having a western-style square dance, costumes and all.

Although I am not one of those nature lovers who go around quoting poetry, I just couldn't resist this time. It is my favorite poem:

WILL GOD REMEMBER SPRING?

By Helen Frazee-Bower

Will God remember spring this year, when all

The world has grimmer business than to look

On beauty Will He let the old songs fall

From downy throats, unsheathe the icy brook.

Splash color with divine abandonment,

Drench us with perfume? Will

He think it worth His while to make a spring, when men consent

Again to slaughter, and war walks the earth?

Oh, I am starved for beauty!

Though the drum Beat out destruction, I cannot forget

Earth's gracious green adventure, and I come,

Heartsick to pluck one long-stemmed violet.

Last year I found them in this very spot...

Will God remember? What If He forgot!

A puncture is a little hole found in tires a long distance from phones and garages.

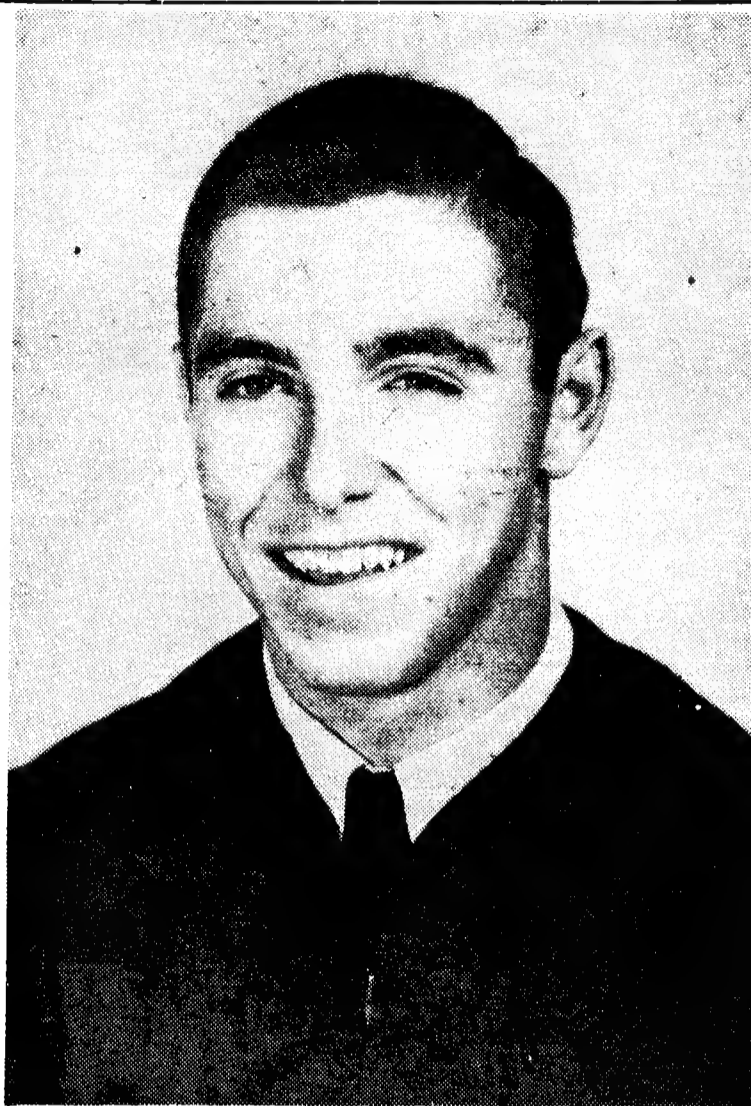


POSTER GIRL—Kathy Battle, 7, of Weaverville, will have her name and picture on the 1962 Cancer Crusade posters, it has been announced by Dr. Rachel D. Davis of Kinston, crusade chairman. Kathy is living proof that cancer in children can be cured—she suffered a cancer of the kidney when 13 months old.

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TOPS IN EVERYTHING—Donald Davis, a New Bern High school senior, richly deserves being chosen the most versatile boy in his class. His ability ranges from president of the High school choir to recognition as one of North Carolina's most outstanding scholastic football players.—Photo by John R. Baxter.

N. C. Home Owners Pay Termite Losses

Wood stains and decay are costing Southern homeowners \$50 million a year.

This is the conservative estimate of John Gray, who heads Extension Forestry at North Carolina State college. And he believes North Carolina homeowners could save a total of \$500,000 a year through termite-proofing alone.

"In the post-war period, wood products used in home construction have suffered a loss in reputation and a decreased volume use per dwelling due to improper seasoning, lack of pre-treatment with preservatives and slipshod construction methods," notes Gray.

"For the South as a whole, losses due to stains and decay are conservatively estimated at \$5 million a year."

To these direct losses must be added indirect costs due to downgrading of quality of wood products in process of manufacture and costs of replacing decayed members in service, says Gray. "The latter are higher generally than costs of initial installation."

Gray says that without proper lumber and soil pre-treatment, coupled with correct construction methods and annual inspections, all houses built on newly cleared land in North Carolina generally suffer an infestation of eastern subterranean termites in seven years.

"A considerable proportion of this damage from stains, decay and termites is preventable," says Gray. "New buildings can be termite-proofed for less than half of one per cent of the total construction

cost."

Technology is already developed in the area of stain, decay and termite prevention. "Manufacturers need to adopt this technology in order to improve product quality and serviceability, regain some of the lost market and hold existing markets," says Gray. "Lending agencies should require properly seasoned and treated wood products in construction which they finance as a collateral protection measure."



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colorful Jesse Davis, who was somebody rough for defense attorneys to reckon with when he swung into action.

Greenville's D. M. (Red) Clark, who came along after Davis departed from the scene, was as colorful as Jesse, and may even have surpassed him. Clark was not only an excellent prosecutor, especially when he was steamed up over a case, but was unbeatable at the polls. Dick Bundy found this out to his sorrow.

When Red died, Bundy took over to continue Greenville's claim on the office. Since Bundy's successor, Bob Rouse, was from Farmville, it meant that three Solicitors in a row were from Pitt county.

Half the world's troubles can be traced to saying yes too quickly, and half to saying no not quickly enough.

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