



The Roundup

By WILBORNE HARRELL

Recently the newspapers carried a photo of President Kennedy's office, a striking feature being a closeup view of his desk, which was geometrically precise and neat. The next morning when I walked into The Herald office, ye editor's desk had also been polished to presidential standards. On the surface, that is a simple statement, but when you realize that ye editor's desk has been kept in a state of organized confusion, the cleanup must have had its impetus in some mighty upheaval of industry. Ye editor said the cleanup was the result of a search for something he just had to find. Now, if you ask me, there is only one emergency that would cause all that energy on

his part—he must have been looking for some lost treasured fishing tackle. Shucks! One of my illusions has been shattered—I thought ye editor was trying to emulate the President of the United States.

P. S. Since writing the above I have learned that ye editor was searching for some valuable papers. It's an ill wind that doesn't blow some good; the misplaced papers at least occasioned a much-needed desk cleaning.

MORE MONKEY BUSINESS: Ham, the chimp who recently made the trip into space, while being interviewed by reporters at a news conference, balked

strenuously at being placed back into the capsule in which he made his historic flight. "Once is enough," said Ham, in chimpanzee. (And I quote) "And I mean enough!"

I have a bone to pick with Senor Castro which is acutely personal. A certain brand of cigar I smoke recently became hard to get. The dealers from whom I bought my cigars were several days without them. Someone told me these cigars were Cuban made, and if so, Senor Castro, I'm holding you personally responsible for indirectly depriving me of one of my pleasures of life.

No compromise with communism!

their advantage to apply. For example, under the new law, a couple entitled to a monthly family check of \$180, the maximum now payable to a retired worker and dependent wife, would now get some benefits if the husband earns less than \$3510 in a year.

There is no change in the provision which states that regardless of how much a beneficiary earns in a year, he will get a benefit check for any month in which he neither earns more than \$100 in wages nor renders substantial services in self-employment.

Merry Hill News

By LOUISE B. ADAMS

Dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Talbert Jackson Sunday night were Mr. and Mrs. Billy Jackson and daughter, Jayne of Elizabeth City; Mr. and Mrs. Linton Jackson and children, Ellen and Tommie of Plymouth; Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Jackson, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Jake Jackson and children, Lynn and Richard, Mr. and Mrs. Carlton Jackson, all of Edenton.

Mrs. E. J. Pruden, Jr., and children, Ellen and Edmund III, were in Edenton Tuesday morning on business.

Mrs. "Doc" Brown, Mrs. Kermit Miller and daughter, Debbie of the Mount Gould community, visited Mrs. C. T. Baker and family Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. Bernard Smithwick, who is taking a practical nursing course in Elizabeth City, spent Tuesday and Tuesday night at home with her husband, Mr.

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Smithwick.

Mr. and Mrs. James Davis of Windsor visited Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Davis and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Davis Wednesday night.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Pruden, Sr., and E. J. Pruden, Jr., made a business trip to Durham Thursday.

W. T. Davis was in Norfolk, Va., Friday on business.

Mrs. Bernard Smithwick was in Windsor Tuesday afternoon visiting and also on business.

The Rev. Oscar Turner was in Edenton Friday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Evans and boys, Steve and Johnnie of Norfolk, Va., spent the week-end with Mr. Evans' brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Chet White.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Smithwick made a business trip to Washington Friday.

Marvin Davenport returned home Wednesday after being a patient in Bertie Memorial Hospital, Windsor for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley "Skimp" Winborne and Mrs. Henry Foxwell visited Mr. and Mrs. John Foxwell in Edenton Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Keeter of Newport News, Va., spent the week-end at their home here in the community.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Williams and children, Julie and Charles of Portsmouth, Va., are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Pierce and Mrs. Butler Williams for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Miles White,

Miss Florence White, Mrs. Odell White of Windsor, Mrs. Vernon Baker, Jr., and son of Colerain; also Mrs. Will Farless were visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Pruden, Sr., Saturday.

Mrs. Frank Glover of Lake Wackimaw is spending a few days visiting her sister, Miss Celia Phelps and other relatives.

Mrs. E. J. Pruden, Sr., and Mrs. William Phelps were in Washington Friday on business.

Mrs. E. J. Pruden, Jr., and children, Ellen and Edmund III visited Mrs. Utha Sharp in Harrellsville Saturday.

Marvin Cobb of Dover, Delaware, spent the week-end at home with his mother, Mrs. Lloyd Cobb.

Mr. and Mrs. Jake Jackson and children, Lynn and Richard of Edenton visited Mr. Jackson's brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Talbert Jackson Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Talbert Jackson and children visited Mr. Jackson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Jackson, Sr., in Edenton Sunday night.

Thomas White of Newport News, Va., spent the week-end at home with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. White.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Baker of Windsor visited Mr. Baker's mother, Mrs. Virgie Baker and grandmother, Mrs. T. E. White Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Donnie Smith-

law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Milton Robertson in Rosemead Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Lillie Evans is spending some time in Edenton with her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Small, Jr., and family.

tion per colony was estimated at 19 pounds.

The average price per pound received by producers for honey in 1960 was 35 cents, or 2.5 cents above the 1959 price. The value of the honey crop for the State in 1960 was \$1,758,000 plus \$51,000 for beeswax.

BLOODSHED BOXSCORE ON N. C. HIGHWAYS

Raleigh — The Motor Vehicles Department's summary of traffic deaths through 10 A. M., February 13, 1961 is as follows:

Killed To Date.....108
Killed To Date Last Year.....114

Largest Honey Crop In State Since 1952

Honey production during 1960 amounted to 5,022,000 pounds. This is 35 percent above the 3,724,000 pounds produced in 1959, and is the largest honey crop since 1952. The 1960 season was generally favorable for honey production.

The increased production over 1959 came from 5.1 percent fewer colonies—an estimated 186,000 compared with 196,000 colonies for 1959. Production per colony in 1960 was 27 pounds, 8 pounds more than in 1959 when produc-

HIGHER TURKEY CROP

North Carolina turkey growers intend to produce 2,321,000 turkeys in 1961.

If growers carry out their present plans, they will increase their 1961 heavy breed production by 35.6 percent, and the light breed production about 50 percent, for a net increase of 36 percent over 1960 for all breeds.

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KNOW YOUR SOCIAL SECURITY

John T. Grooms, representative of the Social Security Administration, is in Edenton every Thursday at the North Carolina Employment Security Commission office in the Citizens Bank Building.

Under the old law, which stays in effect until 1961, a beneficiary under age 72 who goes to work and earns more than \$1200 loses one month's benefit check for every \$80 (or fraction of \$80) by which his earnings go over \$1200. Earnings of even \$1 over the \$1200 limit mean the withholding of the beneficiary's entire monthly check. If his wife is also entitled to benefits based on his social security account, her benefit is also withheld.

Beginning with 1961, a beneficiary who earns \$1200 or less will get his benefit payments for all 12 months of the year. A beneficiary who earns more than \$1200 in a year will have only \$1 of his benefits withheld for

each \$2 that he earns from \$1200 up to \$1500. For every \$1 that his earnings go above \$1500, \$1 of benefits will be withheld.

Under the old law, many beneficiaries received more in total income (earnings plus benefits) if they limited their earnings to \$1200 a year. Under the new law, this will no longer be true. A beneficiary who earns over \$1200 in a year will always receive more in combined earnings and benefits than if he had earned \$1200 or less.

Also many eligible people who have not applied for their benefits because their earnings amount to over \$2080 (and ordinarily could not draw any checks) many now find it to

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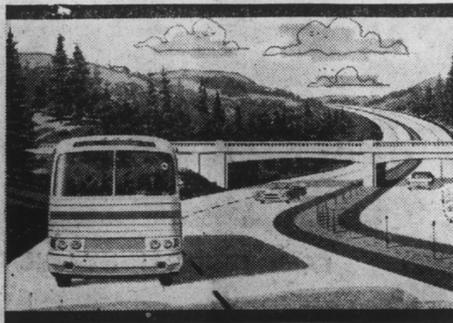


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