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If someone is disabled and can't work, he should get in touch with the social security office right away. A telephone call might save a trip. Correct information can be furnished by expert technicians who are trained to assist the public in such matters.

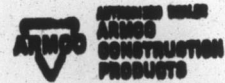
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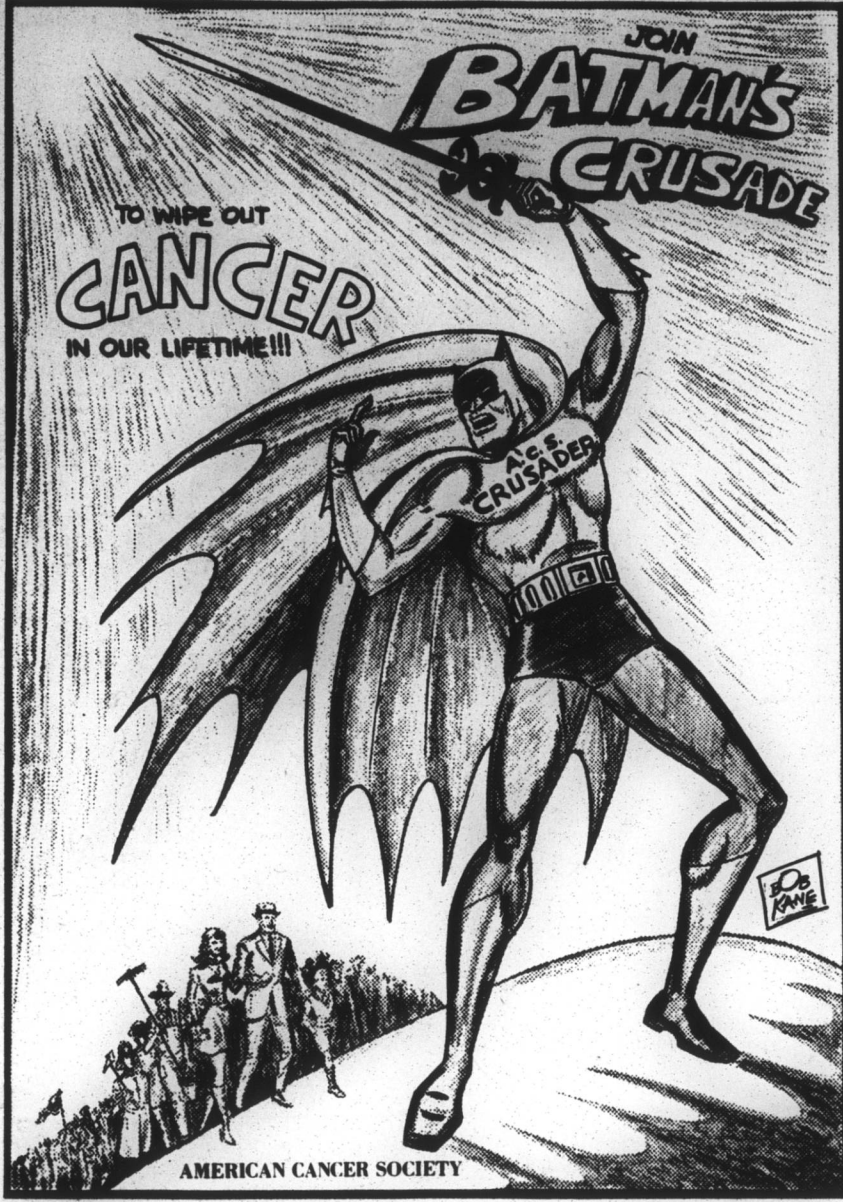
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Owl Hoots and Screeches . . .

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HOOTS
Librarians Attend Conference — All three county librarians from the Pettigrew Region: Mrs. Louise Darby from Shepard-Pruden Memorial Library in Edenton, Mrs. Esther Davenport from the Tyrrell County Public Library in Columbia and Miss Gretchen Holzhauser from the Washington County Library in Plymouth, were among the 50 librarians from the eastern part of the state attending the two-day communications

workshop in Roanoke Rapids last week. This was the last of four such meetings across the state sponsored by the In-Service Training Committee of the Public Libraries Section of the N. C. Library Association, of which I am co-chairman. Since this session was my particular responsibility (the committee members shared the job of acting as workshop moderator), I was especially gratified by the reaction to the program presented.

Using as our theme a title shamelessly borrowed from a Broadway play "Don't Bother Us—We Can't Cope," the program was deliberately provocative with several forms of presentation used — skits, films, buzz groups, general discussion—all with the aim of improving the way librarians deal with each other and with the public they serve. Our guest speaker was the very dynamic assistant dean of the Library School at the University of Kentucky, Dr. Herman Totten—the first black man to earn a doctorate from a "white" library school. Dr. Totten inspired us all with his enthusiasm and his dedication to the principle that public libraries must continue to improve and expand their usefulness in the community.

The State Library in Raleigh has been of immeasurable help to the public libraries in North Carolina and their cooperation in sponsoring these workshops was indispensable. The hardest-working member of our committee was Miss Nancy O'Neal, field librarian for the State Library, who acted as coordinator and general workhorse for the four meetings. She and I were the only ones to earn four certificates stating that we had "successfully coped with the communications workshop conducted by the Public Libraries Section of the N. C. Library Association" in Lumberton, Hendersonville, Asheboro and Roanoke Rapids.

We had other participants from the State Library at the various locations: Miss Elaine von Oesen, assistant state librarian; Miss Jane Wilson, children's consultant; Miss Nancy Wallace, young adult consultant; Mrs. Marilyn Rose, audio-visual specialist, and Mrs. Virginia Gibson and Miss Sandy Harrison of the In-Wats Service. Our special guest in Roanoke Rapids was Mrs. Carolyn Neal Johnson, the new assistant state librarian whose responsibilities include interlibrary cooperation and the administration of federal aid.

SCREECHES
Staff Members Short-Changed—In lieu of the usual staff meeting held at one of our libraries (for which we regularly close the libraries one day each quarter) the majority of the staff traveled to Roanoke Rapids for the second day of the workshop there. Making the trip were the following library employees: Mrs. Joanne White

Judge Walker Presides At Recent Court Terms

Judge Wilton F. Walker, Jr., in Chowan County District Court last week found probable cause in two murder cases.

Walter Jernigan is now confined to Chowan County jail without privilege of bond until trial on a charge of murder for the alleged slaying of John W. Hassell at the Bluebird Cafe September 16.

According to police reports and witnesses' testimony, the shooting stemmed from a domestic affair between the defendant and Alphonso Cooper. Jernigan began arguing with Cooper at the cafe, then left to return several minutes later with a .22 calibre rifle. Jernigan made Cooper apologize on his knees. When Hassell stepped in to break up the scene, Jernigan swung the gun around and fired a shot which entered the inside corner of Hassell's right eye, it was stated.

By the time the Chowan Rescue Squad arrived, Has-

sell was dead. Chief J. D. Parrish reported that Jernigan was found in his home and placed under arrest.

Probable cause was also found in the case where John Dorsey White, charged with the murder of Clyde Stanley, also over an alleged domestic affair. White had gone to the Stanley residence to retrieve his common law wife, Louise Stanley, sister of the victim. Stanley was shot with a .12 gauge shotgun and died on the operating table at Chowan Hospital.

White is also confined to the county jail without privilege of bond.

In other cases heard by Judge Walker during the past two sessions of court, the following judgments were imposed:

George E. Anderson, speeding, 10 days, suspended, \$10 fine and costs.
George Jackson, driving drunk, 90 days, suspended, \$125 fine and costs, and not to operate a motor vehicle for 12 months.
Thomas C. Fleming, improper muffler, \$10 fine and costs.
Joseph Lee Beasley, Jr., reckless driving, 60 days, suspended, \$50 fine and costs.
Judson Hurdle, drunk driving and no operator's license, four months, suspended, \$150 fine and costs.
Sidney S. Bagette, reckless driving, \$100 fine and costs.
David Winston Hoggard, driving drunk, 90 days, suspended, \$125 fine and costs, and not to operate a motor vehicle for 12 months. Defendant appealed and appearance bond was set at \$500.
Donald Merle Price, driving drunk, four months, suspended, \$150 fine and costs, and not to operate a motor vehicle for 12 months. Defendant appealed and bond was set at \$500.
Ed Brown Wright, Sr., driving drunk, 90 days, suspended, \$125 fine and costs, and not to operate a motor vehicle for 12 months. Defendant appealed and bond was set at \$500.
Ed Brown Wright, Sr.,

Walks on Water To Pass Course

Would you walk on water in order to pass a course in engineering graphics? Well, Penn State freshmen were given the assignment and succeeded.

The shoe materials included aluminum, Styrofoam, cork, and plywood. Each pair of shoes was equipped with stabilizing fins on the "soles." The pontoon-like shoes averaged approximately four feet in length and were strong enough to hold a student weighing more than 150 lbs.

The final exam featured a race among the representatives of the research teams. The winner turned out to be Thomas E. Morck, of Glen Rock, N. J. A freshman engineering major, he walked forty yards in the University's pool in two-and-one-half minutes.

A thorough written report and complete engineering drawings of the shoes were required. Prof. Hugh F. Rogers said students found that "engineering can be fun."

End of Tooth Decay Is Predicted in Decade

Within the next decade, tooth decay in the United States may be virtually eliminated, according to a spokesman for Canrad Precision Industries Inc., Newark, N. J. Working with the L. D. Caulk Company, Canrad, Hanovia has produced an ultra-violet light (known as the Dental Gun) which is used as an activator light in connection with a new tooth sealant.

The teeth are first cleaned and conditioned by the dentist before placement of the sealant material. After application of a liquid plastic, the material is exposed to a harmless ultra-violet light which quickly hardens into a smooth plastic shield.

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from Edenton, Mrs. Frances Sexton and Mrs. Pearl Furlough from Columbia, Mrs. Ethel Holton from Creswell, Mrs. Jo Bragg, Mrs. Sheila Furlough and Mrs. Elva Riddick from Plymouth. The only complaint I received was from my own staff members who regretted missing the first half of the workshop.

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