



**LESSON IN CHECKS** — Morris Small, manager of the Northside Branch of Bank of North Carolina, N.A., shows a book of checks to Leroy Nixon, Wallace Welch and Frankie Casper of the White Oak ESAA Title I Math Lab. The students can use the checks to practice with an reinforce their skills in addition and subtraction.



**LEARN ABOUT BANKING** — Mrs. Nancy Kaupp is shown showing David Hare, Kathryn Elliott and Donna Harrell money in the vault at Peoples Bank & Trust Company.

## ESAA Math Lab Students See Bank In Operation

On March 2, the ESAA Title I Math Lab at White Oak elementary went on a field trip to Peoples Bank in Edenton. In keeping with our special unit on money, we felt that a trip to Peoples Bank would allow us to see just where money is kept and how it is used.

Our learning experience did not stop at Peoples Bank, but was continued back at White Oak in the ESAA Title I reading lab.

The following story was written and created in the Reading Lab by the math lab children. A child's learning experiences are best told by the children themselves.

It was March 2 and we finally had a good day to go to Peoples Bank.

We went on the activity bus. The high school children called the bus Big Red.

Our Math teacher, Miss

Wheeler, went with us. So did Mrs. Hutckison, Mrs. Blount, and Mrs. Baker. Mrs. Blount and Mrs. Baker are math helping teachers. Mrs. Hutckison is resource teacher. We like to have her go on trips with us.

Mrs. Bond and Mrs. Currin from the reading center came to wave good-bye to us. It is nice to have someone wave good-bye and say "Hurry back," when you go on a field trip.

They let us go in the bank after the people went home. Not the people who work there, but the people who went to get money, or put money in.

The lady was very nice to us. She let us touch the money.

It felt funny. I like to touch money. They have trophies in the bank. Some girls that work there won them. One of the ladies in the bank was talking on a big, big, telephone.

Here are the things I saw. I drew us going upstairs. I drew the vault and the big machine the lady was sitting behind.

There are dollar bills, and a bag of money. See all the bags of money. Someone would fill the bags with money. They would unlock the vault doors, and hide the money.

If they run out of money, they can call, and get some more.

We saw the vault in the bank. It had an alarm system. If somebody tried to get in, the alarm system would go off. It had a whole bunch of money in the bank.

They had a camera in the vault. It had a button to push if you wanted the camera to take a picture. If someone looking strange came, they

would push the button.

To look strange is to look suspicious.

Safety deposit boxes were in the vault. If you wanted something in your box you had to tell the time you got it, and the time you put it back. It had to be recorded in a book.

You had to turn a big wheel like on a ship to unlock the steel door.

They have a clock on the door of the vault. They set the lock. The door can't open until the time runs down.

Miss Wheeler told me to pick up the five thousand dollar bill and see how heavy it was.

Michael said "Did you see a five thousand dollar bill?" Alice said, "Yes, I saw lots of them."

I saw a hundred dollar bill, "I like that green stuff," Bobby said.

We went upstairs. A lady was up there working on some kind of big machine. I liked that, I think it was a computer.

The woman was working that big machine. She said the machine tells her where to send the check. Like if it all goes to Macks, The machine tells me where to send it.

When you borrow money from the bank, you have to pay it back!

They let us look at the money, coins are money.

You have a key, and the bank has a key to your deposit box.

They gave us candy and cookies. The cookies were made from peanut flour.

We saw where they meet, they had chairs.

To keep children from running in and out of the house to see what time it is try putting a clock, face out, at the window.

## Baha'i Faith Religious Celebration Set March 21

A new year begins for members of the Baha'i Faith on March 21, the first day of spring and the beginning of the year 134 B. E. The letters B. E. mean Baha'i Era; the Baha'i calendar dates from the time of the religion's origin in 1844 in Iran. Since that date, the Baha'i Faith has been established in over 300 countries and territories.

For the Baha'is, New Year's Day is a holy day. Baha'is all over the world call it by their Persian name, Naw-Ruz, and it is one of the nine Baha'i holy days on which Baha'is suspend work.

The Baha'is of Edenton will be traveling to Kinston to celebrate Naw-Ruz. The program will consist of prayers, readings from the Baha'i writings and a pot luck supper, and will be open to all.

remedy and mightiest instrument for the healing of all its peoples in one universal Cause, one common Faith," wrote Baha'u'llah.

Because of his teachings, Baha'u'llah, who was born to a wealthy family, was stripped of all his wealth, jailed, tortured, and exiled. His wife, children, and many of His followers suffered with him. He died in exile in Palestine in 1892. The world center of the Baha'i Faith is in Haifa, Isreal, on Mount Carmel, across the bay from the Tomb of Baha'u'llah.

Despite those persecutions, Baha'u'llah wrote many volumes in which are contained such principles as the equality of men and women, the harmony of science and religion, the need for the elimination of

all forms of prejudice. Baha'is are enjoined to pray daily, develop kindness and courtesy, and refrain from gossip because it destroys unity. The future world order, Baha'u'llah wrote, will have a world court, an international auxiliary language, universal compulsory education, and a uniform monetary system.

By following these principles, Baha'is are guided to a new way of life. They use the principles when they consult together, for there is no clergy in the Baha'i Faith and all authority comes from elective, consultative bodies.

The rhythm of Baha'i life is guided by a new calendar. Based on the solar year, the calendar consists of 19 months of 19 days each (361 days). The remaining days (four in ordinary and five in

leap years) are Intercalary Days, dedicated to hospitality, gift-giving, and charitable activities. Each of the 19 months is named for an attribute of God: Glory, Beauty, Perfection, Grace, Justice, Mercy, etc. Each month begins with a gathering called a Feast, which is a time for prayer, community consultation, and joyous fellowship.

The calendar and these principles, upheld by faith in the singleness of God and in the authority of Baha'u'llah as God's Messenger for this age, knit Baha'is of every nation into a multi-racial, multi-lingual, graceful and cohesive family.

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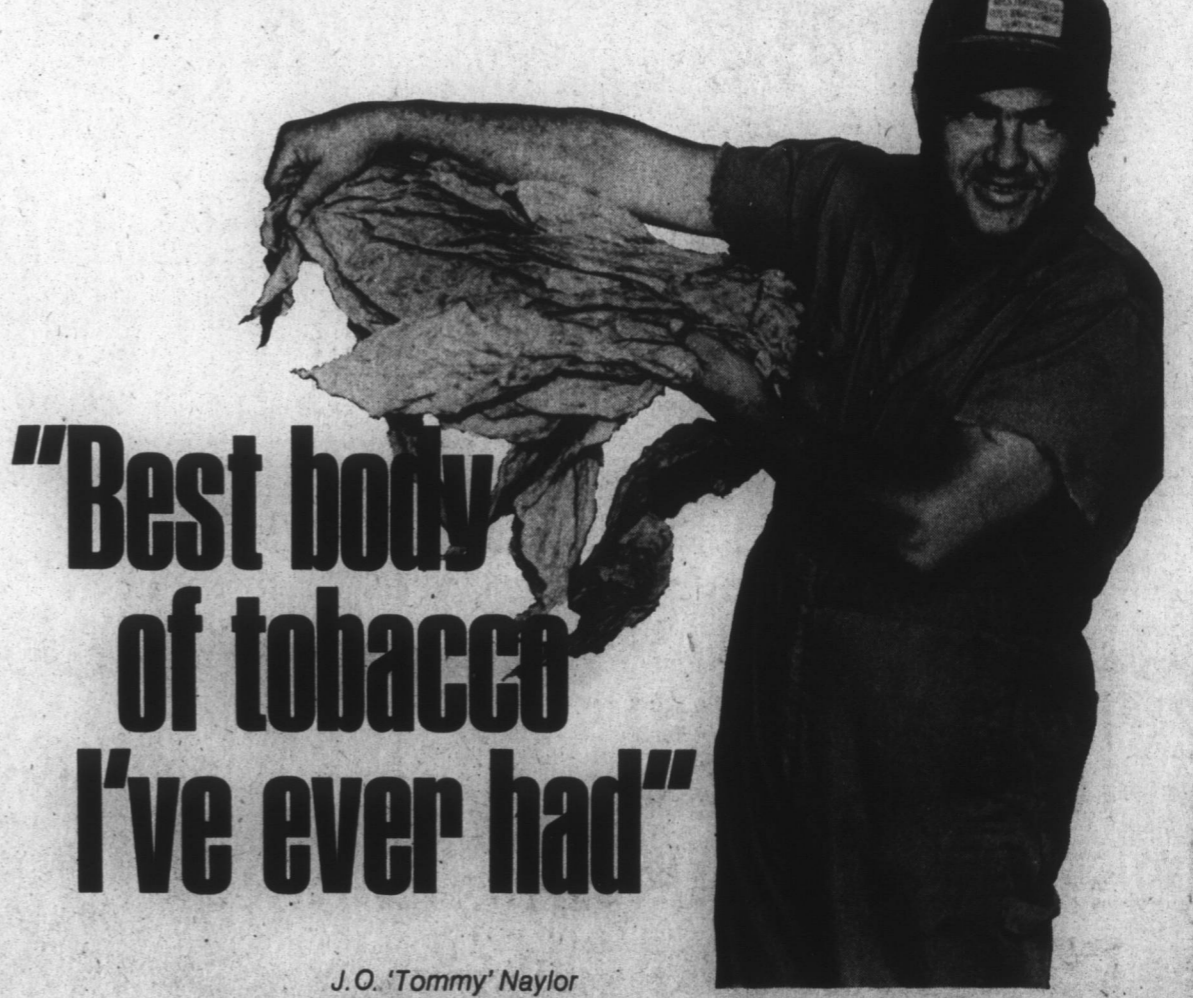
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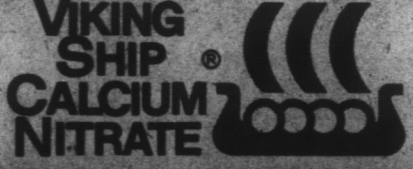
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