

Lillington News

LILLINGTON TEA AND TOPICS CLUB MEETS AT HOME OF MRS. SHAW

Lillington's Tea and Topics Club, meeting on Friday afternoon at the home of Mrs. A. M. Shaw, made plans for the club's annual special meeting on April 9 and heard a book review by Mrs. W. R. Cranford. Mrs. Cranford reviewed the novel "The Sojourner" by Marjorie Kincaid Rawlings, a story of one man's quest in his native Florida. Mrs. Alton Johnson, program chairman, announced that Mr. and Mrs. David Smith, members of the music faculty of Campbell College, will appear as guest artists for the club's annual special meeting next month. Each year the study club, which customarily presents its own members in programs each month, arranges one special meeting featuring a guest speaker or artists and invites a number of guests to join the club for that occasion. Paul Green and Richard Walzer among literary critics and musicians from Campbell have been among the literary and musical celebrities brought to Lillington by this group. This year Mrs. Joel G. Layton and Mrs. W. M. Bryan will be joint hostesses to the April meeting at the Bryan home. Each member will be privileged to invite one additional guest. Mrs. B. P. Gentry, president, presided and a social hour followed the program. The refreshment table covered with a white linen cloth, had a floral arrangement of red quince and the same flowering shrub was used in other parts of the Shaw home. Mrs. W. B. Hunter served a cheese cake topped with strawberries, and Mrs. W. R. Cranford poured coffee from a silver service. Sandwiches and cookies were also served. Members attending included Mrs. W. P. Byrd, Mrs. Nell McLaughlin, Mrs. W. M. Bryan, Mrs. Joel G. Layton, Mrs. R. K. Footman, Mrs. Alton Johnson, Mrs. B. P. Gentry, Mrs. W. R. Cranford and Mrs. W. B. Hunter. Mrs. H. D. Carson Sr., was a guest, and three members were absent.

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N. Y. VISITORS
Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Estep, proprietors of Pleasant Valley Inn, Waterville, N. Y., stopped in Lillington on Wednesday for a visit with Mrs. W. P. Byrd en route North from a vacation in Florida. Mrs. Estep is the sister of Mr. and Mrs. William Reynolds of Endicott, N. Y., who made their home for several years during World War II in the Byrd apartment.

HOME FROM HOSPITAL
Bennie Johnson, who suffered a serious spinal injury several weeks ago in an automobile accident near the Cape Fear River bridge in Lillington, returned to his home here this week from the Dunn Hospital. At present his back is in a cast.

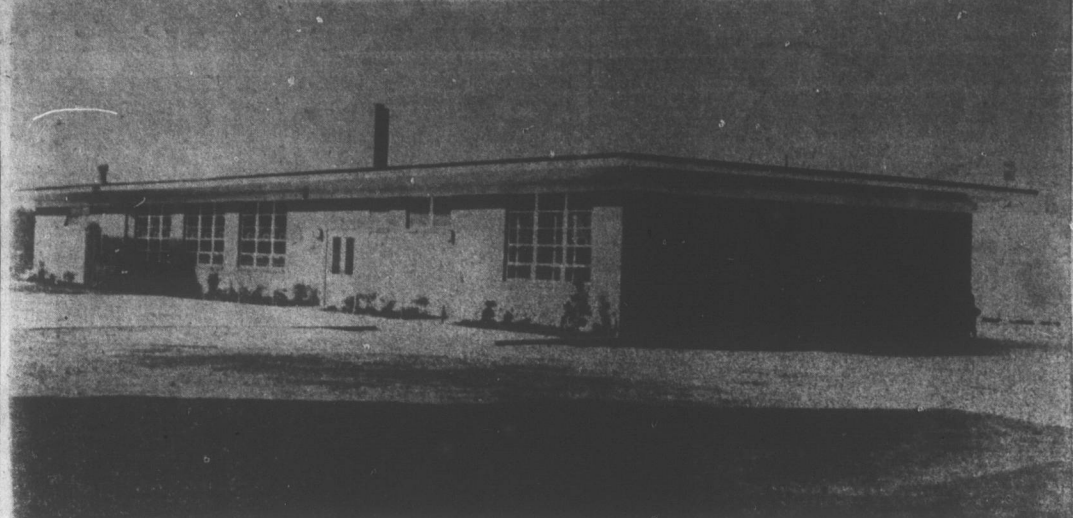
Mr. and Mrs. James Renn and daughters, Ann and Jenny, have returned from Durham where they were weekend guests of Mrs. Renn's sister, Mrs. W. H. Lawson and family.

Byron O'Quinn Celebrates His 11th Birthday

Byron O'Quinn, son of Mr. and Mrs. B. C. O'Quinn celebrated his 11th birthday anniversary with a wicker roast given on Friday night at his home. His birthday falls on March 4 but the celebration was delayed for weather suitable for outdoor cooking. The occasion also marked the birthday of J. T. Milton, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Milton, whose birthday was observed on the same day of the party. After singing "Happy Birthday" to the two guests of honor, the guests played baseball and then roasted wieners and marshmallows over a camp fire. A decorated green and white birthday cake was cut and served with ice cream for dessert. Mr. and Mrs. O'Quinn, parents of Byron, Frances O'Quinn, sister of the guest of honor, and Rosa Alia Milton, sister of the other boy-celebrating a birthday anniversary, were special guests. Others enjoying the supper were the following 17 boys: J. T. Milton, Buddy Morgan, Larry Coleman, Andy Jackson, Jr., Jimmy Jackson Johnny and David Harrington, Richard Bradsher, Donnie Kelly, Robert Ward Winston, Jan Roberts, Joe and Clarence Hudson, Joe Davis, Billy Watkins, Jack Temple and Johnnie Williams.

Lillington Club Women Met Tues.

Lillington Junior Women's Club, at the March meeting on Tuesday night at the Community Center, discussed the following committee films in program features and during the business session made plans to build a terrace at the Community Center. Dr. T. Proffit, county superintendent of public instruction, made a brief introduction explaining the films which picture the good and bad of the county school system. The program was arranged by Mrs. Elizabeth Berrier and Mrs. Roger Mann, of the club's literature and education committee. Mrs. Mann introduced the speaker. During the business session, Mrs. Joe Herdoux, club president, announced that Walter Johnson of Lillington was the low bidder on the erection of brick retaining wall at the rear of the Community Center. Johnson's bid was \$240 and work already has started on the project. Building the brick wall will represent the club's donation to the finer Carolinas contest. The wall, corresponding in length to that of the center itself, will be 85 feet out from the building and forms the first step toward a brick terrace. Once the area is dug in with dirt and leveled, no-brick terrace will be laid with concrete labor. The corners of the terrace point out, and since it extends around the center outside chimney and on a wall with the center's basement wall, it will afford an inviting area for outdoor suppers, picnics and many summertime recreation activities for people of all ages in the community. At the same meeting, juniors also voted to send a gift of ten dollars to the N. C. Children's Home in Greensboro, state project for the blind. Mrs. Meredith Senter was named chairman to secure players to meet in the benefit ball game to be played on March 28 at the Community Center fund drive. During the social hour open face sandwiches, hors d'oeuvres, cookies and coffee were served by the hostesses, Mrs. Wilma Stotts and Mrs. Alton Johnson. Yellow and white streamers were used to decorate the room and the refreshment



SCHOOL ADDITION — Meadow High School, largest school in Johnston County, near Benson, is enjoying a new lunchroom and home economics department this year. The new \$46,000 brick building is pictured above. Equipment costing more than \$46,000 has just been installed in the lunchroom, and several thousand dollars worth of new equipment has also been placed in the modern home economics department. The lunchroom was purchased by the school and community. Miss Margaret McArthur of Grifton is director of the home economics department, and Mrs. J. B. Tart of the community is director of the lunchroom. (Daily Record Photo)

Heavy Court Docket Tried At Benson

Thirty-three cases were tried in the Benson Recorder's Court, most of them for traffic violations. Following is a list of the cases: George Robert Holly, Smithfield, R. 1, publicly drunk costs. Gladys Stinson, Smithfield, R. 1, no operator's license, 30 days suspended on the payment of a \$25 fine and costs. Bill Joseph, Benson Negro, assault, costs. Malcolm Burnell, Benson, R. 2, aiding and abetting abandonment, not guilty. Plover L. Fair, Fayetteville, publicly drunk, costs. Billy Joe Matthews, Lillington, R. 1, failure to stop at a red light, costs. Paul Johnson, Benson, R. 3, disorderly conduct, costs. John Bonner, Benson, possession of beer for purpose of sale, not guilty. Charles Beasley, Benson, possession of beer for purpose of sale, \$15 and costs. Early Johnson Tuck, Gates, careless and reckless driving, \$5 and costs. Albert Green Pollard, Benson, R. 3, failure to stop at a stop sign, costs. David Henry McCullen, Rose Hill, speeding, costs. Sherman C. Sherman, Bronx, N. Y., speeding, costs. Benjamin Ernest Pittman, Jr., Lumberton, failure to stop at a red light, costs. Leslie C. Byrd, New York, N. Y., speeding, costs.

Finer Carolina Workers Meet

Dunn's Finer Carolina Committee of the Chamber of Commerce met this morning to make plans for work on six projects for the year. Earl Westbrook will head the general committee again this year. Included in the projects to be undertaken this year are: 1. Improvement of the public library facilities. 2. Continued improvement of public recreation facilities. 3. Establishment of local welfare council and provide local office space for same. 4. Set up a traffic safety program. 5. Continued industrial, commercial and agricultural development. 6. Clean-up, paint-up, and fix-up program.

Murder Trial

Two other murder cases on the same docket were continued. James Howard Phillips, a young white man of the Anderson Creek section, was expected to be tried for the murder of his brother, John Harvey, in an argument over disciplining a child, but the case was continued due to the illness of the defendant. Another murder case, against Charlie Ferguson, was also continued for the term. Ferguson allegedly killed Norman Gansley on August 30, 1952. This marks the sixth continuance of the case.

Pfc. Parker Is At Camp Hale

CAMP HALE, Colo. — Army Pfc. Dennis R. Parker, 20, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Monroe Parker, Route 2, Benson, N. C., is at Camp Hale, Colo., taking part in Exercise Ski Jump, the Army's 1954 mountain and cold-weather training maneuvers. Parker, who entered the Army in April 1953, is a member of Battery A in the 51st Airborne Regimental Combat Team's 8th Airborne Anti-Aircraft Artillery Battalion, which is learning techniques of winter warfare and survival under sub-zero conditions high in the Colorado Rockies.

Defendants

negroes this week in Harnett Superior court solved two Dunn break-ins, at the Dunn Wholesale Company and at Wellons Candy Company. James "Smookey" Thompson, who was convicted of breaking and entering the wholesale company and stealing a safe, money and sugar, drew seven to ten years in state prison. This sentence Judge George Fountain later cut to three years. William McNeill, who was tried on two separate counts of receiving goods stolen from the wholesale company knowing them to be stolen and a similar charge of receiving cookies and sugar missing from the candy company, was found guilty each time by a jury. In both cases McNeill had claimed he was innocent. He drew 12 months in state prison on the first charge and 18 months on the second. He will serve the second sentence at the expiration of the first. But the case of the missing sugar, which kept Dunn police officers on the jump many days, was not without its humor. "Smookey" Thompson, who admitted his nickname came from his prematurely white head, insisted McNeill made negotiations to sell the sugar to John Barefoot, a "white bootlegger" near Clinton. "Mr. John gave me \$30 in money and one case of 'unpaid' whiskey, from out of his smoke house," testified Smookey. "I gave McNeill two jars and I took the rest." Then Smookey added this item to his testimony: "After McNeill and I rode back to Dunn, I was kind of 'bleh' I gave him two jars of the whiskey, then I went down along the railroad and poured the rest of the whiskey in a dish pan, but not at one time I gave everybody some! It wasn't long before that case was gone."

Darroch Promoted To Corporal

3RD DIV. KOREA — Laud's W. Darroch, 22, son of Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Darroch, Route 3, Lillington, N. C., recently was promoted to corporal while serving with the 3rd Infantry Division in Korea. The "Rock of the Marine" division, which saw bitter fighting in the Inchon Triangle and at Outpost Harry, is now training as part of the U. S. security force on the peninsula. A mortar gunner with the 18th Regiment's Company E, Corporal Darroch entered the Army in November 1952 and arrived in Korea last May.

Pfc. Aulry Arrives At Camp Pendleton

CAMP PENDLETON, Calif. (PHOTO) — Marine Pfc. Calvert E. Aulry, son of Mrs. Mamie Aulry of Route 3, Lillington, N. C., has joined the staging regiment at this huge Marine Corps base in preparation for duty in the Far East. The staging regiment handles last minute details in getting men ready for foreign duty. A Marine's few weeks in staging are filled with clothing and physical inspections, dental and physical examinations, refresher courses on weapons, and physical conditioning.

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Property Owner May Be Indicted

City Attorney I. R. Williams indicated last night that the Town Board has but one course to take against W. B. Warren for failure to comply with the local and State fire and building code—that is criminal action. In a lengthy report, Williams stated that he had spent considerable time studying the law on the building code and had found that criminal action is the only method to be used in the case under consideration. Warren is charged with failure to construct a building on W. Cumberland according to the rules and specifications set forth in the State building code. Should the State move into the case, fire insurance rates of everyone in the area of Warren's building would be increased, Mayor Ralph Hanna has indicated. The building under consideration was first taxed in November, 1953, when City Building Inspector John E. Norris told Warren he would have to comply with the State code. Again in January, the question came before City Council and Warren was given 60 days to comply. The 60 days expired March 8. Council voted last night to instruct Norris to gather all of the facts and confer with Solicitor J. Shepard Bryan for beginning legal action against Warren. Charles Storey, city clerk, told the Board last night that Warren called yesterday to say he was about to begin work on the building. However, Council had indicated that work should have been completed by March 8. Norris was told to proceed with criminal action even though Warren begins immediately to correct the building.

News Shorts

LONDON (AP) — Britain lowered the boom today on Alan Winnington, British journalist who reported the Korea War from the Red point of view and tried to sell communism to American and other soldiers captured by the Reds. The Foreign Office announced that the British consulate in Peking has refused to renew Winnington's passport. **MILWAUKEE, Wis. (AP)** — Sen. Joseph E. McCarthy (R-Wis) was "held up" in the home of a friend today, working over his counter-attack against Democratic spokesman Adlai E. Stevenson. McCarthy tonight will answer, in a speech before the Milwaukee Young Republican Club, what he calls a personal attack upon himself by Stevenson. **WASHINGTON (AP)** — Chairman W. Sterling Cole of the Joint House-Senate Atomic Energy Committee said today that "greater precautionary steps" will be taken before more atomic weapons are tested in the Pacific.

STAR-VUE DRIVE-IN
BENSON, N. C.
DUEWAY ON NUMBER
Due to extensive damage done by the storm, we will be closed until further notice.

VOTE
For Lonnie B. Jackson For Constable Averasboro Township
DEMOCRATIC PRIMARY MAY 29th
I WAS THE FIRST TO ANNOUNCE FOR THIS OFFICE. MY CAMPAIGN IS BASED ON MY EXPERIENCE AS A COUNTY OFFICER, HAVING SERVED THREE TERMS AS CONSTABLE AND TWICE AS A DEPUTY SHERIFF OF THE COUNTY.
I FEEL THAT THIS BEST QUALIFIES ME FOR THE JOB. YOU GAVE ME A NICE VOTE THE OTHER TIMES AND I APPRECIATE IT.
YOUR VOTE AND SUPPORT WILL NEVER BE FORGOTTEN

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★ New Window Screens
★ Painting
★ Brick Work
★ Concrete Work
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★ Cabinets
★ Disappearing Stairways
★ Side Walks
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