

# Men On Moon May See Wall

In a few years, an astronaut may test the long-held belief that the Great Wall of China is the only man-made feature on earth that would be visible to an observer on the moon.

Parts of the 2,000-year-old wall are rubble, but long stretches are virtually intact. Chinese Communists recently started repair-

ing some damaged sections of the crenelated rampart.

The Great Wall twists like a huge fossil dragon across north China from Shanhaikwan on the Yellow Sea to the desert fortress of Kiayukwan, a distance of some 1,500 miles. The wall's winding, looping course actually covers nearly 2,000 miles, the National

Geographic Society says.

Emperor Ch'in Shih Huang Ti built much of the Great Wall in the 3rd century, B.C. Ch'in was a remarkable ruler who united China by subjugating a group of warring states. He ordered weapons of the defeated armies to be melted and cast into 12 huge metal images. They were placed around the grandiose new imperial palace to serve as guardians.

On the outskirts of Sienyang, his capital, Ch'in built 270 palaces connected by walled passages. They were furnished with tents, canopies, musicians, dancing girls, and 13,000 wives and concubines. To foil would-be assassins, Ch'in never spent two consecutive nights in the same palace.

A somewhat caustical Chinese historian described Ch'in as having a "high-pointed nose, slit eyes, pigeon breast, wolf voice, tiger heart, and a stingy, graceless, cringing character."

Chinese savants painted unflattering pictures of the emperor because he burned all classic books and buried alive 460 scholars who objected to his policies. Ch'in, who styled himself "The Only First," wanted history to begin with his dynasty.

Work on the Great Wall started in 221, B.C. The northern Chinese states had built walls along their borders before Ch'in, but he created the first unbroken barrier between a unified China and the barbaric tribes to the north. Invasion of Chinese provinces always had come from that direction. "Have no fear of the tiger from the south," a proverb advised, "but beware the rooster from the north."

The Great Wall also was conceived to provide work for the unemployed. Emperor Ch'in marshaled an army of 300,000 workmen who included discharged soldiers, prisoners of war, criminals, princes of conquered states, dishonest public officials, and scholars who insisted on preserving the classics.

Construction of the stone, earth, and brick barrier took 15 years. At least a million men worked on the project. So many workmen died that the Great Wall earned the grim title of "The Longest Cemetery in the World." Victims were hurled in the wall to appease northern demons and serve as protective spirits.

The Chinese looked on the Great Wall as the edge of civilization. The north was the land of devils. To keep them out, the "demon screen" could have no gaps. Therefore it was continued unbroken over rugged terrain even where invasion was improbable.

Other dynasties extended and

# High Times

By JOAN PINER

Here we are again ready to give you more news from S. H. S.

The Dolphins played Long Creek Friday night and won both games. We played Waccamaw there Tuesday night and split. The game scheduled for this Friday is with Bolivia here. The Southport town team played Shallotte here last Wednesday night and Southport won.

The school newspaper, the Dolphineer, will be out soon. Everyone be sure to have your money ready.

Almost everyone is or has been out with flu. Mr. Lee has been in the hospital, but is at home now. Everyone will be anxious to see him back in the eighth room, as well as in the gym.

The seniors are busy ordering invitations and planning for graduation. Will it ever get here?

The Question for this week is: "Do you think we should have a Spring vacation? Why?"

Mr. Davis: "Yes, let's start tomorrow."

Chuck Smith: "Yes, because we need a break."

Meemie Herring: "I do!"

Frankie Rogers: "Yes, so I can help my mother do the spring cleaning."

Seen Around: Steve under the table in general business class. . . Why were you there, Steve? . . . Sally, where were you Sunday night? . . . First period typing students working hard. . . Where were you after M. Y. F., Linda Kay? . . . What's new, Mr. White? . . . Clive missing someone last week. . . Suzan in the hospital. . . Sandy, who has built up an immunity?

That's all for this week. See you around S. H. S.

repaired the wall many times, but much of the foundation is the original laid by Ch'in. Ironically, National Geographic points out, Ch'in's epitaph doesn't mention his wall or unification of China. It states: "He burned the books, and he buried the scholars." The savants had the last word.

# 4-H Club News

By JAMES E. GOFF

Ass't County Agricultural Agent The Grissetown and Exum Communities held their first advisory group meetings on the 1st and 2nd of February. Each meeting had very good response from the adults in their respective communities. The concept and objectives of community club work was explained to the groups. With the advisory groups to help plan and coordinate the community 4-H program the adult leaders and subject matter leaders can help accomplish many of the goals that 4-H clubs are striving for. There will be follow up meetings for additional planning for the club work.

William Hickman, Sherwood McNeil, Kenneth Edwards and Frankie Rabon are studying and practicing to form a Livestock Judging Team for Brunswick County 4-H'ers.

Mr. Wilton Harrelson is sponsoring tickets for 4-H club members to see the show "The Tomboy and The Champ." Jessie Simmons, who operates the Drive-In Theater in Shallotte is working with Mr. Harrelson to make available these free tickets to 4-H club members. The show will be the 7th and 8th of February, 1962. Every parent of a 4-H club member is urged to go and carry your children. The film is only free to those who have received tickets from your local adult leaders.

# O'Dell Williams Of Leland, Dies

O'Dell Williams, 62, of Orton Road, Leland, died Saturday at Cape Fear Memorial Hospital after a short illness. He was plant superintendent of Armour Fertilizer Co., was born in Cornelia, Ga., the son of the late David and Ellen Jenkins Williams.

Mr. Williams was a member of Leland Lions Club and of Woodburn Presbyterian Church. The body was taken to Atlanta, Ga., Sunday for final rites. Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Annie Mae Coffe Williams; a daughter, Mrs. G. L. Selmyr, Alexandria, Va.; a brother, five sisters and two grandchildren.

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MRS. IRA JANE TART

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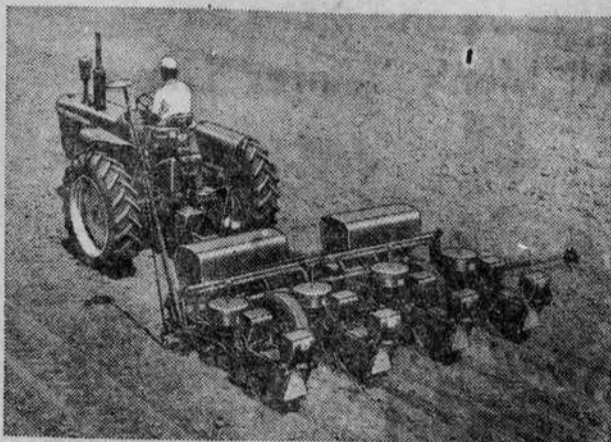
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