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The Try-Corner

An old-timer is said by some to be one who can recall when people thought the only two evils were bobbed hair and short skirts.

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ROCKINGHAM, N. C., THURSDAY AFTERNOON, JANUARY 3, 1957

ISAAC S. LONDON, Editor

Rockingham Postoffice Receipts Were \$97,524 For Year Of 1956

For Year 1909 Total Receipts Were \$6684. Post Office Established February 28, 1829.

GAIN OF \$6,016 OVER YEAR 1955

Few towns in North Carolina the size of Rockingham, can boast of as large postal receipts. As of 1956 census, the Town was of only 650 acres and a population of 3,356. The postal receipts for 1956 amounted to a staggering \$97,524.37! This compares with \$91,508 for the year 1955—or a gain of \$6,016. The above figures were re-

Bradley New Baby

And Susan Roberta Writes

C. W. Bradley was minister in charge of the Church of Christ here at Rockingham from fall of 1945, to Sept. 15, 1950, leaving then for a new church in Statesville. On Dec. 16, 1945, he was married to pretty Roberta Brandon of Nashville, Tennessee.

The above is by way of leading up to a letter that their little daughter, Susan Roberta wrote to the Post-Dispatch editor December 31, telling of the birth of a new baby in Greensboro December 26, 1956. Maybe the mother did the writing. Could be. Anyway, here is Susan Roberta's letter, she born December 9, 1953:

Letter from 3-Year-Old:

Greensboro, Dec. 31, 1956
 Piedmont Memorial Hospital
 Dear "Uncle" Isaac:
 I have some big news and want you to print it. You know, I (Susan Roberta) was born December 26, 1956, in this Piedmont Hospital in Greensboro, in room 63. And now I have a baby sister born also in this same room, on Wednesday, December 26, 1956. This new baby weighed 7.6 pounds and one-half ounces (don't forget the half ounce), and she is twenty inches tall (or long?). We will christen her "Patti Tishel." She has dark



hair and eyes and my Mommie and Daddy says she looks like my other sister Louanna (who was born Aug. 11, 1951 in Statesville and lived but 26 hours). We are mighty proud of this new baby. My Daddy says he's really in trouble with this house full of girls. Maybe next time we'll have a boy.

My parents and I came by Rockingham in early October, 1956, and dropped into your office to see you but Mrs. Cadieu told us you were in the hospital fighting the Battle of the Stone. Do you remember, Mr. London, when we were in your office December 7, 1954, and you held me, and my Daddy snapped a picture? We have it framed—a distinguished looking gentleman and little year-old Susan Roberta.

This is all for now. Who knows but what I may write you along this line again in a couple of years. Could be, and generally is. My Mommie and my Daddy send their love to all their friends in Rockingham. We all just wanted them to know about our new baby.

Love, Susan Roberta, age 3

Harriett to have Operation.

Harriet Dawkins, the eight year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Dawkins will undergo a major chest operation on Friday morning at Memorial Hospital in Charlotte. Harriett is the granddaughter of Mrs. Robert L. Hinson, and is a third grade student in Plaza Heights grammar school in Charlotte.

NEWS BRIEFS

FROM HERE AND THERE

CORPENINGS WERE HERE

Spending from Dec. 29th to Jan. 2nd here with his aunt, Mrs. C. P. Stewart were Sammy Linton Corpening and young Linton, nearly 13. So many friends almost hugged him, they were so glad he is able to be about. It will be recalled that Sammy and his wife and two children were driving near Alexandria, Virginia, August 5th when another car skidded into their lane, wrecked his car, killed his wife and terribly injured Sammy and the two children. Sammy had both legs and both arms broken. However, he walks with little difficulty now. Linton and the daughter, Geraldine Anne, are now in Charlotte in school, staying with their uncle Dr. Frank Smith. Sammy is making High Point his present headquarters, at the Sheraton with Arthur Glenn Corpening. However, Sammy is flying to Rockdale, Texas, next week for a visit to Marvin and Louise Perry, and expects to return to his home at Coatsville, Penn., around March 1st and resume his work with the Philadelphia Electric. The recovery of Sammy, Linton and Anne is truly remarkable.

WICKERS TO WASHINGTON

Tom and Neva McLean Wicker and little girl, Cameron McLean, were here for the holidays. Tom and Neva left December 29th for Washington where they will be for the next seven months, covering Congress for his Winston-Salem Journal. The little girl was left here with Mrs. Carl McLean for a few days until Tom and Neva can get settled in the Capital City. Tom has been Feature Editor of the Winston paper since Dec. 1, 1955.

And it was Mark Twain who said that the difference between the taxidermist and tax collector is that the taxidermist "only takes your skin."

BASKETBALL AGAIN

Rohanen played at Ellerbe Wednesday night with Rohanen boys winning by 61 to 32, and Ellerbe boys winning by 39 to 37. Rohanen plays at Laurinburg this Friday night at 7:15. Rockingham high goes to Sanford this Friday night for two games, and next Tuesday night, January 8th, Hamlet will be played in the Rockingham gym, with the girls' game starting at 7:15.

Mrs. J. R. Ormsby Died This Morning

Burial Here Friday Afternoon. Husband Died Feb. 11, 1954.

Mrs. J. R. Ormsby died at 5:15 this Thursday morning, January 3rd, at the home of her son Leon in Laurinburg. The funeral will be from the home in Laurinburg Friday afternoon at three o'clock. The remains will then be brought directly to Eastside cemetery at Rockingham for interment beside her husband who died February 11, 1954.

Mrs. Ormsby was the former Lula Byrd; she was born in 1873. She is survived now by a sister in Greensboro, and by the one son Leon who was formerly Supt. of one of the Morgan mills. A daughter Mrs. Lewis Brown died many years ago.

Mr. Ormsby was 83 when he died Feb. 11, 1954. He lived for years at Midway village and was overseer in the old Leak-Wall-McRae mill there. He was a brother of the late Tom Ormsby, long time chief of police of Rockingham, and he also was a brother of Mrs. J. R. (Mary Susan) Hines who died in June 1951.

Marriage Licenses

Dec. 21 — Billy Charles Helms 23 of Monroe, Miss Nancy Anne Eddins 19 of Rockingham.
 Dec. 21 — Jerry Wayne Watkins 18 and Miss Barbara Ann Evans 18.
 Dec. 21 — Robert Richard Caudie 20, Miss Sara Gertrude Eaddy 17.
 Dec. 22 — James Dawkins 20 of Hamlet, Miss Myrtle Jacqueline Williams 17, of Ellerbe.
 Dec. 22 — Curtis Malloy 48, and Henrietta Townsend 31, colored.
 Dec. 27 — Neal Dockery Hicks Jr., 23, Miss Meggy Jo Blakley 23, of Hamlet.
 Dec. 28 — Richard Thomas Lemon 33 of Los Angeles, and Miss Elizabeth James Dunn 21 of Ellerbe and Charlotte. Married Dec. 28 at Ellerbe, and will live in Los Angeles where he is a CPA.
 Dec. 29 — Darrel Gray Black 23 of Charlotte, Miss Darlene Joyce Williams 23 of Monroe.



Mrs. Bryant Thompson Jr., and Her Baby Boy—First Child Born in County Jan. 1, 1957

THE MOTHER IS ONLY 18 YEARS OF AGE

The first baby born in this New Year in Richmond county was in the Hamlet hospital. It is a boy, shown above, born at 8:10 a. m. January 1, 1957, to Bryant Newlin and Ann Busby Thompson Jr. The baby weighs 6.6 pounds and he will be named Bryant 3rd. Dr. Ralph Garrison was the officiating physician. The second New Year's baby was born in Memorial hospital at Rockingham January 1st at 1:21 p. m. This one to Bernie and Lillie Mae Pratt Bostick, of route 4, colored. The babe will be named Bobby Lee Bostick. The third baby to arrive in this new year of 1957 was this Wednesday morning, January 2nd, in Memorial hospital here to Wm. D. and Margaret Turner Smith of East Rockingham. The baby arrived at 1:30 a. m.

The third baby born on New Year's Day in Richmond county was also in the Hamlet hospital. This was a son to Edwin and Geneva Jenkins Kelly, the baby arriving by Stork Express at 7:05 p. m. This is the sixth child born to Edwin and Geneva.

The Thompson baby that has the distinction of being the first 1957 baby in Richmond county, is grandson of the one and only Bryant Newlin Thompson who came to Hamlet in 1910 when his father established the J. W. Thompson business. And Bryant has been operating it alone since his father died. Now, however, Bryant Jr. is out of the army and will be associated with his father. Bryant Jr. was born Sept. 21, 1934, in Cartersville, Wyoming. The lad was married Dec. 22, 1955 to Ann Busby also of Hamlet, she then 17 years old. He enlisted in the regular army Dec. 29, 1953, and was discharged Dec. 19, 1956, as a Staff Sergeant, most of time served at Ft. Bragg. Bryant Sr., is an old political war-horse of Hamlet politics, and if this first grandchild takes after grandpappy, he'll be a hum-dinger.

1953. — In 1953 the first baby born in Richmond county on January 1 was at 12:03 a. m. a girl to William and Naomi Turner McDonald.

1954. — In 1954 the first baby of the New Year was at 9:47 a. m. a son to Herbert Woodrow and Jacqueline Truett Kinard.

1955. — First baby born in 1955 here was at 8:51 a. m. to Jerry Glenn and Glenda Garrett Brown.

1956. — The first white baby born on Jan. 1, 1956, was in Memorial hospital at Rockingham to Wilton Ray and Bettie Ann Horton Futrell. The baby weighed 8.9 pounds and was born at 2:15 a. m. and is named Stephen Ray (Steve) Futrell.

And that brings us up to date for 1957—with Bryant Thompson's grandbaby born in Hamlet hospital early January 1, 1957.—ISL

Tax Listing and Don't Forget TV's

Closer Scrutiny On Radios and TV's?

Annual tax listing started January 1st. A penalty for failure to list in January, goes into effect January 31st.

A casual check on various listings shows that many persons failed in 1956 to list their radios and TV's.—The law says all such MUST be listed separately from a lump "furniture" listing. But it is hardly fair for one person to honestly list their TV and so many others fail to do so. Might pay the County Board later in the Spring to hire a checker to go

of all kinds wanted

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Norman, N. C.

\$1,000 Fine Slapped On Two High Point Whiskey Haulers But They Have Appealed

Election Jan. 7 Town Extension

618 REGISTERED TO VOTE IN NEXT MONDAY'S ELECTION

Some 618 voters living on southern fringe of Rockingham, and on the northeastern and northern edge will have the opportunity next Monday, January 7, 1957, of expressing their wishes as to being annexed to the Town. On whether they wish to be classed as citizens OF and IN Rockingham, or outside.

The size of the proposed sewage plant to be built for the Town within the next two years, will be affected by this vote. Shall Rockingham build a plant of sufficient capacity as to take care of these fringe areas, or not?

It is a serious matter, and the people in the affected areas should take a long-range view and weigh well their decision. In the final analysis, it stands to reason that Rockingham taxpayers may wish to tax themselves with a sewage bond issue to handle ROCKINGHAM'S needs. And outside areas should bear this in mind in their thinking.

Now for the 618 registered.

Of these, 408 in the Richmond Park-Roberdel Road will vote at Taylor's Grocery near Eastside Park. The other section, Watson Heights-Maplewood, registered 210 and will vote at Terry's Cafe in Maplewood on US 74.

Registrars at Taylor's Grocery were kept busy all day Saturday with last minute registrations. Starting the day with only 185 registrations, the list was swelled to 408 by closing time. There were 655 people qualified to register, which means that 225 failed to do so and will not be able to vote.

This was in contrast to the Watson Heights-Maplewood area which registered early, and is nearly 100-percent registered.

Campaigns for and against expansion will probably reach a climax this week. Both sides have distributed circulars presenting pro and con arguments.

The polls will be open for voting next Monday at 6:30 a. m. and close at 6:30 p. m. Votes will be cast at the same place of registration.

Schools Re-Open

Easter Holidays April 18-23 Commencement June 4th

The local schools closed December 18th for the holidays, and resumed work Wednesday morning, January 2nd.

The rest of the schools of the county opened also on January 2nd except Ellerbe and Hoffman which opened December 31st.

Pay day for the teachers here is January 11th.

The next break in the school year will be a long time off—not until the Easter holidays. Easter falls on April 21st this year and so the school holiday starts at 2 p. m. Thursday, April 18 and resume work Tuesday morning, April 23rd.

Graduation exercises here is on night of June 4th. Easter in 1956 came on April 1st; in 1957 on April 21; in 1958 it will be on April 6; and in 1959 on March 29.

\$4504 TB Seals

"No One is SAFE from TB Until ALL are Safe"

Never were truer words written. Therefore, we wish it were possible to thank each and everyone personally who bought Christmas TB Seals and Health Bonds, for it is through your help that we are able to carry on our efficient program in this county.

To date our treasury has \$4504.43 and it is not too late for anyone that would like to help. Please send checks to M. F. Grantham, Treasurer, before January 31st.

We want to thank the newspapers and radio station for their generous assistance. Wishing all a healthful 1957. Mrs. C. L. Ingalls, Seal Sale Chairman. Rev. H. S. Cobey, President M. F. Grantham, Treasurer Mrs. C. C. Knotts, Ex. Sec.

Weekly Session of County Court January 1st Nets the School Funds Hefty Sums.

ONE BOOTLEGGER PAYS \$281. SIX OTHERS TO BE TRIED LATER.

Despite the fact that Tuesday fell on January 1st, the Richmond County/Special Court held its weekly session as usual. Judge Walter Lampley presided and Solicitor John Pittman prosecuted.

One Sent to the Roads.

Only one person was actually committed to the roads. He is Webster Wall, colored aged 31, of the Piney Grove section. He was up for larceny and now is to serve twelve months on the roads.

Three Men Appealed.

There were three appeals. These were Richard Scott who was arrested by town police in Rockingham Dec. 28th and in the 1949 Buick were thirty gallons of blockade whiskey. With Scott

was John B. Austin, both men of High Point. Scott was given 12 months on the roads suspended if he pays \$500 fine and costs, and the car to be confiscated. He appealed and bond was signed in amount of \$750 by Dewey Coleman. The same sentence on John Burney Austin. The appeals are to the Jan. 7th term of Superior Court here.

Philip Hornbuckle of Cordova was charged with interfering with Dog Warden W. S. Baldwin on December 12th when the said Dog Warden was in the discharge of his duties. Judge Lampley found him guilty and gave him four months on the roads to be suspended if he pays \$50 and costs. From this judgment he appeals to Jan. 7th Superior Court.

Bootlegger Pays \$281.49.

Around 2 p. m. Friday, December 28th, Sheriff Goodman and his deputies raided seven joints around Rockingham, and seized a quantity of bottled in bond whiskey. Among the number was Jim Baxley. His cases was handled in County Court January 1st and he was given six months on the roads to be suspended on payment of \$200 fine and costs, and not violate any liquor laws for two years. He paid the \$234.69. Another case against him was for ADW. In this assault case he gets four months suspended on condition he pay \$25 fine and costs and \$3 for doctor's bill of Howard Pankey. He paid the \$46.80. This amount added to the whiskey case made his total \$281.49—and he has a self-started six months roads sentence to hang over him for two years. The other men (Continued On Page Six)

15 Degrees Today

1957 STARTED OFF WITH A COLD SNAP

The mercury dived to a cold 15 degrees this Thursday morning—coldest morning in several years. Friday will find the weather moderating.

January 1st had a low of 34, January 2nd a low of 27 and now January 3rd a low of 15! Coldest morning on record here was 101 years ago—January 15, 1856, when it was 5 degrees below zero and the weather was inches thick. On Feb. 14, 1899, there was an unofficial reading of 1 below zero, according to a notation in the account book of the late Dr. John Stansill.

Dixie Classic Tourney

Played at Raleigh Dec. 27-29 With Carolina the Winner.

The University of North Carolina won the Dixie Classic basketball tournament in Raleigh Dec. 27, 28, 29, 1956. The runner-up was Wake Forest, with State College third and Duke fourth. For the record, here are the results for each day. The total paid attendance for the three days numbered to 71,200.

First-Round Dec. 27th:

Duke 73, West Virginia 67, State 84, Iowa 70. Wake Forest 74, DePaul 68, Carolina 97, Utah 76.

Second-Round, Dec. 28

Championship Bracket. Wake Forest 73, State 66, Carolina 87, Duke 71.

Consolation Bracket.

Utah 83, West Virginia 66, DePaul 73, Iowa 72 (Overtime)

Third-Round, Dec. 29

Championship. Carolina 63 Wake Forest 55.

Third Place.

State 102, Duke 80.

Consolation Championship.

Utah 86, DePaul 79.

Seventh Place.

Iowa 79, West Virginia 76.

Football Bowls

Games Played Jan. 1, 1957

ORANGE BOWL

Colorado 27 — Clemson 21

SUGAR BOWL

Baylor 13 — Tennessee 7

ROSE BOWL

Iowa 35 — Oregon State 19

COTTON BOWL

Texas Christian 28 — Syracuse 27

SUN BOWL

Geo. Washington 13 Tex. West 0

PRAIRIE VIEW BOWL

Prairie View 27 Texas Southern 6

TANGERINE BOWL

West Texas 20 Miss. Southern 13

DEATHS

Robert Neil Beard Mrs. Atlas Williams Mrs. J. R. Ormsby Jasper James Young Mrs. W. H. McNeill Sr. Wm. Thomas (Joe) Ellerbe