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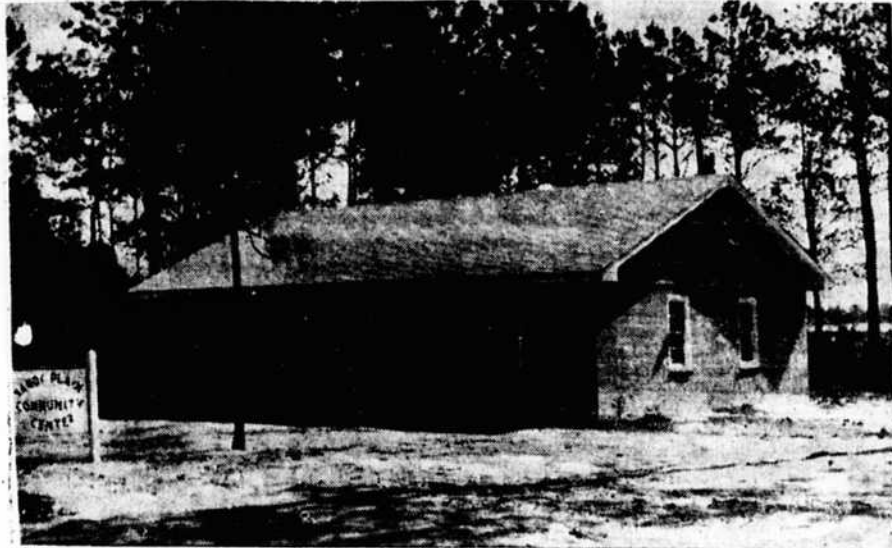
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COMMUNITY CENTER — Throughout the county community centers are being rapidly erected. This one at Sandy Plains has found many uses. It houses youth recreational activities and is a meeting place for the Community Development sessions. The center is a direct result of the Community Development program.

## Charge Trio With Series Of Thefts

Police officers cracked down today on three Tabor City Negroes believed to have committed some 25 or 30 robberies since the middle of December. Police Chief H. E. Epps said he was holding Cephus Hamilton, 36, Joseph Edward alias "Boyfriend," 42, and Linda Wortham, 28, on charges of breaking and entering and grand larceny. The trio operated mostly at night between 10 p. m. and midnight and burglarized garages, automobiles and homes. Among the stolen merchandise was television tubes taken from a television set in the home of Willard Garrell. The trio admitted breaking into the home and removing the tubes from the set. In all some 25 homes and garages were entered and the loot included fountain pens, pocket-books, spray guns, screwdrivers, electric soldering machine, television set, and money. Among the homes victimized was that of Leo Holt. Officers said approximately 35 silver dollars were stolen from the Holt home on Tuesday night (March 17). Chief Epps made the arrests this morning and most of the stolen merchandise was recovered from the home of Linda Wortham. Officers are continuing the investigation.

## Food Stores Set Closing Hours

Eight local food stores agreed this week on a new set of hours to be observed. Those who will follow the new hours are C. C. Soles and Sons, Baker's Super Market, Piggly-Wiggly, Gore's Red and White, Robert's Grocery, Fred Jernigan's Store, J. M. Soles and Company Cliff Sarvis Farm Supply. Closing on Saturdays will be at 9 p. m. except for the months of June, July, and August when closing time will be 10 p. m. Weekday closing will be observed at 7 p. m. except on Fridays when stores will remain open until 7 p. m. Holidays to be observed include July 4 except the closing will be on July 6 instead of the 4th, Thanksgiving Day, December 25 and 26 for Christmas and Labor Day. C. C. Soles and Sons will remain open Labor Day. All the stores agreed to participate in "Smart Days" from April 1 through May 9.

## Elect Claude Boyd Merchant President

Claude Boyd, manager of Piggly-Wiggly, was elected high president of the Tabor City Merchants Association at the annual banquet Monday night. Boyd succeeds Wallace Soles as head of the organization. Approximately 125 persons attended the meeting. Representatives from all civic clubs were in attendance. The new president has been active for several years in the Merchants Association and has served as a vice-president. He also served as co-chairman of the Yam Festival for two years. He is a member of the Tabor City Presbyterian Church where he serves on the board of deacons. Election of officers came during the annual meeting high-lighted by the address made by A. H. Jones, vice-president of the American Commercial Bank in Charlotte.

## Easter Sunrise Services Sunday

Community Easter Sunrise services will be held Sunday morning at 6:20 o'clock. The Rev. Bob Ledbetter, pastor of the Presbyterian Church and publicity chairman for the services, said the community event would be held at the Tabor City School in front of the high school building. Sponsoring churches are the Tabor City Baptist Church, Saint Paul Methodist Church, Church of God, Emmanuel Holiness and Tabor City Presbyterian Church. The schedule is as follows: Invocation by the Rev. Floyd A. Boger of the Church of God, responsive reading led by the Rev. C. Gant of the Tabor City Baptist Church; prayer by the Rev. Ledbetter; sermon by the Rev. P. E. Layfield of the St. Paul Methodist Church; and the benediction by the Rev. Gant. Congregational singing will be led by the Tabor City High School Chorus under the direction of Mrs. W. W. Woolly with Mrs. Nell Fowler as accompanist. It marks the continuation of an annual Easter sunrise service in this community. Coffee and donuts will be served at the Tabor City Baptist Church immediately following the services. Committees appointed for the services include Don Hughes and Eldred Hickman for properties; ushers — C. G. Westmoreland, Talmadge Jacobs, Wilbur Phipps, Winston Gore and James A. Huffham. Randall Burleson is in charge of the loud speaker system while the Rev. Gant and Rev. Ledbetter are in charge of bulletins and publicity, respectively.

## W. B. Lennon Rites Held

Wayland Bagley Lennon of Fairmont, husband of the former Leona Lewis of this city, died Saturday afternoon in Highsmith Hospital, Fayetteville. A native of Columbus County he was 56 years old. Mr. Lennon was a vice president and director of Waccamaw Bank and Trust Co. He had also served as a member of the Executive Committee of the North Carolina Bankers Association. He was a steward and chairman of the finance committee of the Trinity Methodist Church, Fairmont. He was also a Rotarian. A son of the late Pritchard Lennon of the Lennon's Cross Roads area and Vera Elkins Lennon of Bladen County he was born and reared in Chadbourne. He was graduated from Chadbourne High School and attended the University of North Carolina. Beginning his banking career in the Old Bank of Chadbourne around 1925 he began work with the Waccamaw Bank and Trust Company in 1930. He moved to Whiteville and worked there until the firm purchased the Fairmont branch in 1932 and went there as cashier of that bank. He later became vice president and director of the entire banking chain. Final rites were held from Trinity Methodist Church by the Rev. J. D. A. Autry and the Rev. M. W. Maness at 2 p. m. Monday with burial in Floyd Memorial cemetery. In addition to his wife he is survived by a son, Wayland Bagley Lennon, Jr. of the home; a daughter, Mrs. Edward Hill of Richmond, Va.; three sisters Miss Annella Lennon, Miss Minnie L. Lennon, and Mrs. Vera Brewer, all of Chadbourne. Albert Schild was admitted to the Conway Hospital for examination. He is expected to remain several days. He is the owner of Schild's Department Store.

## Dewey Cribb Dies Sunday

Dewey Cribb, 44, of Route 1, Clarendon died Sunday afternoon in the Columbus County Hospital, Whiteville, after an illness of two days. Funeral services were held at 3 p. m. Monday in the Clarendon Baptist Church with the Rev. Stanley, the Rev. S. W. Jolly and the Rev. Clyde Prince officiating. Burial was in the family cemetery. Survivors include his wife Mrs. Belle Wright Cribb; one daughter, Peggy Sue of the home; two brothers, the Rev. Clarence Cribb and Don Cribb of Tabor City.

## Presbyterians Set Pre-Easter Services Here

Tabor City Presbyterian Church will observe pre-Easter services on Thursday and Friday night beginning at 7:30 o'clock. Dramatic monologues will be given. Sermon topic for Thursday night is "Simon Peter." The topic for Friday night services will be "The Thief." Special music will be heard at each service. The public is invited. The Rev. Bob Ledbetter will deliver the messages both evenings.

## Students Will See Atomic Energy Exhibit

Tabor City High School students in Tabor City, North Carolina, will next Thursday have the opportunity of getting acquainted with the wonders of our present age at a special assembly program. Entitled on the program will be "This Atomic World," a traveling atomic energy exhibit of the U.S. Atomic Energy Commission. The exhibit will be sent to Tabor City from the Museum Division of Nuclear Studies, which manages the exhibit, as well as the American Museum of Atomic Energy in Oak Ridge, Tennessee, for the Commission. "This Atomic World" is one of several traveling exhibits which the Commission has made available to towns and cities all over the United States. It is designed to meet the needs of principals, science teachers, and civic leaders in stimulating a deeper interest in the peaceful uses of atomic energy. In Thursday's program, a staff member of the Museum Division will take the audience on an excursion into the atomic age. Utilizing exhibits and demonstration equipment, the demonstrator will explain in simple language the fundamentals of atomic energy and how it compares with other types of energy; how atomic energy is released through radiation and fission; and how atomic energy is used in agriculture, medicine, industry, and other fields. Illustrative charts, panels, models, and equipment will play important roles in the demonstration. One of the outstanding attractions of "This Atomic World" will be a demonstration model of the Van de Graff electrostatic generator. This device, which generates 250,000 volts of static electricity, will be used to explain how large models are used in physics laboratories to study atomic structure.

## FATHER-SON FETE

Nakina FFA members will hold their annual Father-Son banquet at the school cafeteria on Friday at 8 p. m. This annual event pays tribute to the fathers and recognizes the outstanding members of FFA. (Continued on Page 6)

## "The Mikado" Has Been Amusing To Audiences Since 1885 Premiere

(Ed. Note—This is the third in a series of articles about the production of THE MIKADO of Gilbert and Sullivan which is to be presented by the Tabor City Chorus on April 15 and 17.) BY LEWIS SIKES Although the lines have been sung and spoken over and over again by a constantly rehearsing chorus, snickers and outright laughs still spoil the run-through of every scene in "The Mikado." It's not that the actors aren't heading their direction, but the lines are so funny that even after countless repetitions somebody is bound to giggle. Such is the comic power of the dialogue and the music of "The Mikado." It has been thoroughly amusing audiences since its premiere in London in 1885, and even a casual reading of the score will convince the most conservative reader that this is a piece that will be laughed over for a long time to come. But why is it still so funny? Who are these men, Gilbert and Sullivan, who created it? They can be likened to modern counterparts, but actually no contemporary librettist-composer teams are on quite the same level. Richard Rodgers and Oscar Hammerstein came closest. Their bright collaboration offers us tunes that we often hum such as "Some Enchanted Evening" from "South Pacific," "People Will Say We're In Love" from "Oklahoma!," "Hello, Young Lovers" from "The King and I," and now "One Hundred Million Miracles" from their latest Broadway hit "The Flower Drum Song." A happy team they make, one writing lyrics, one composing melodies. Together they give us songs that the world sings. Such was the gift of Gilbert and Sullivan on an even higher plane. They came along when there were no radios, television, or records to help popularize and instantly spread their latest music throughout the world. They were forced to rely on a standard of excellence so high that it alone, without the aid of electronic advertisements, would bring audiences clamoring with pounds and dollars hoping to see their latest efforts in the very light opera field. During their lifetimes, they were immensely popular, measured by whatever yardstick one chooses, and their popularity is still tremendous.

## Seeks Top State Jaycee Position

Tabor City Jaycees recently endorsed Al Harrison's candidacy for the office of State President of the North Carolina Junior Chamber of Commerce. Harrison has held local offices, including president, and has served as a state vice-president and a national director. In his duties as national director during the past year he has been responsible for activities in 21 clubs and has been a member of the state executive committee. "We feel that chances of Harrison being elected are excellent. Widespread support was evident in Durham at the quarterly board meeting and the local club is making plans now for helping to finance the campaign," said Howard Fowler, local president. Plans are now in the making for the local candidate to swing through 13 district meetings to be held in April throughout the state. Local Jaycees will accompany him on this campaign tour. Harrison's candidacy marks the first time a local Jaycee has offered himself for the state presidency. The election will take place May 7, 8, 9 in Asheville. Thus far only one other candidate has announced. He is E. D. Miller of High Point.

## Roger Mills Joins Harrelson Pharmacy Staff

Roger Mills, popular young Tabor City native, has joined the staff of Harrelson's Pharmacy as a pharmacist. He had been associated with Webster's Pharmacy in Fairmont for two years prior to returning to this community. Actually the position filled by Roger at Harrelson's Pharmacy is one that was held by his father, the late J. A. Mills, for 38 years. A graduate of the University of South Carolina School of Pharmacy, he is a veteran of the Korean War having spent 10 months as a member of the U.S. Army in Korea. He was wounded in battle in Korea and given a medical discharge. While in Fairmont he was a member of the Civitan Club. He has expressed intent of joining the local Civitan Club and the Jaycees.

## County Beta's Name Officers

The Columbus County Beta Club named officers at the Spring Rally held Tuesday night, March 10, in the Cerro Gordo Gymnasium. The new roster includes Mary McLellan of Cerro Gordo, president; Margaret Inman of Tabor City, vice president; Rachel Bradley of Whiteville, secretary; Roseanna Barefoot of Hallshoro, treasurer; and Rachael Holderfield of Acme, reported. A program entitled "The Roaring twenties" was presented by the Acme Deleo Club during the evening and prior to the session a picnic supper was held. About 100 Betas were in attendance.

## Guy Says Nothing Shady In Pupil Insurance Bids

T. Ward Guy, county superintendent of schools, denied today that anything unethical had ever taken place in awarding of the pupil insurance for county schools. A recent article in the Tribune "Plain Talk" column by Al Harrison cited that county principals met each year and made the decision on pupil insurance. It was pointed out by a person who asked that his name be withheld that two years ago the principals voted on one insurance policy at the rate of \$1.25 per student. He said that later one of the competing companies lowered the bid to \$1.00 and this policy was accepted without regard to the one voted on by the principals. "There has never been any such transaction. The principals decide which policy to accept and that particular one is honored. The county school board has nothing to do with the selection or approval," said T. Ward Guy.

## Methodists Set Pre-Easter Services Thurs.

Members of the Saint Paul Methodist Church will attend pre-Easter services here Thursday evening at 7:30 o'clock. The Rev. P. E. Layfield, pastor of the church, said Holy Communion would be given Thursday night. This Thursday is Maundy Thursday — the last Thursday of Jesus' life and the night of the Lord's Supper. The public is invited.

## Benefit Bread Sale Friday

Members of the Beta Club will hold a Bread Sale, benefit of the Childrens and Adults Crippled fund, Friday, March 27, getting underway at 6 p. m. A door to door knock is scheduled for the entire city, and citizens are urged to give generously in purchasing bread. The drive will be under the direction of Mrs. Furman J. Fowler, Beta Club sponsor. The annual Lily Sale will be held Saturday in the business areas under the chairmanship of Mrs. Nell Grainger and Miss "Viv" Fonville.

## NO DEAD CHICKENS E

"Persons guilty of throwing dead chickens and animals in the streams leading into Lake Tabor are urged to cease this practice," W. Horace Carter, president of the organization, said this week. "This is a public lake and it is strictly against the law for chickens and dead animals to be thrown in. The lake is used for swimming, boating and fishing and the presence of such debris is unhealthy," he said. It has been called to the attention of lake officials that such practice has been carried on in recent weeks and directors of the project hope that offenders will stop this practice without it becoming necessary to take legal action.



CHERRY GROVE 4-H MEMBERS—These are the members of the Cherry Grove 4-H Club who devote much of their time to community projects, farm projects and other work that tends to make them leading citizens of tomorrow.

## Cherry Grove 4-H Club Develops Better Citizens For Tomorrow

Cherry Grove 4-H Club members are playing an important role in developing tomorrow's leaders. Organized five years ago, their new home when it is completed. At the present time they are meeting in homes of members on the second Monday night in each month. That the program is producing leaders in the farm picture is verified by looking at the record of Milton Coleman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Coleman, who earlier in the year attended the 4-H Club Congress. He has won many awards for his 4-H club achievements. He has been a 4-H member for six years and is a past president of the county council. He was a state winner in field crops last year and had won a trip to Atlanta and the national Junior Vegetable Growers Association meeting the year before for his outstanding record. The modest youth had this to say about his 4-H Congress trip to Chicago. "With the honor comes the realization that I have a responsibility to the future. I sincerely

## SIGNS OF LIFE—David Long puts the finishing touches on the 4-H Club member marker that hangs beneath his family mailbox. These signs are becoming more abundant and dot the highways of our state.



## group tackles such projects as baby beef raising, home beautification, potato projects, corn and poultry projects.

They take their 4-H club work seriously. During 4-H club week that recently passed they busied themselves with a farm safety check in an effort to make their parents more conscientious. The drive will be under the direction of Mrs. Furman J. Fowler, Beta Club sponsor. The annual Lily Sale will be held Saturday in the business areas under the chairmanship of Mrs. Nell Grainger and Miss "Viv" Fonville.

## IT'S MAGIC — This milk products demonstration by Sherry Jean Strickland and the demonstration of brooding of chicks highlighted one of the meetings of the Cherry Grove 4-H Club. Demonstrations such as these highlight every meeting.

ly hope that since I have had this experience I may help others to have it too. I must find ways in which to help my community and my club," said Milton. As a reporter for the county council of 4-H he urges all members to work harder and to take advantage of the opportunities offered by 4-H Club work. Officers of the Cherry Grove 4-H Club are Texford Strickland, president; David Long, vice-president; Judy Butler, secretary and treasurer; Marty Strickland, song leader; and Barbara Coleman, reporter. Adult advisors for the club are Mrs. Harvey Coleman and Mrs. Rosnoke Strickland.

**MONEY-SAVING TIPS**—Miss Ruth Pittman, home service representative for Carolina Power & Light Company, illustrates some of the points in financing the household budget. This presentation is part of CP&L's Money Management program designed to help families stretch the dollar that goes for food, clothing and household equipment. Miss Pittman will be given this program upon request to adult groups in the area during the year.