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Mr. & Mrs. J.A. Bell Honored After 64 Years Of Marriage



but the general belief was also a store owner in his native Lenoir, N. C. section, and about 1900 began working in the business of his late of 15.

He was born on April 1, 1897, and a person immediately following the Civil War, and lived in both areas in Jan. 1900.

Following their marriage the Bells lived for five years at Tabor City and then at Waverly where he farmed in 1914 they moved to Mt. Tabor when he had a sleepy little village with about four stores. In 1920 the hotel was to have survived but home was a cotton field.

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The Bells became the parents of five children, Velma, Mrs. J. M. McGowan of Tabor City, Dewey H. Myrick, Mrs. L. S. (deceased), Jim (deceased), and Miss J. F. Boswell, Tabor City, and Johnnie Virginia, Mrs. John E. Wrenn, Tabor City.

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Following Mr. Bell's 64-year stay in the mercantile business here which began immediately after the Bells moved to Tabor City, he became Town Clerk, a post which he creditably held for many years. While holding the latter post he was also collector of light and telephone bills. He retired in 1959.

"What has been the most pleasant portion of your married life?" Mr. Bell was recently asked.

"The period since my retirement," he answered, explaining "we have been together more."

Both came from farm stock.

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SWEETHEART CONGRATULATED — Miss Bonnie Norris was crowned the Tabor City FFA Sweetheart Thursday at the Future Farmers' annual banquet, held in the school lunchroom. Later she was congratulated by the club president, Harold Hughes, as other officers were present. Pictured are (left to right) Ronald Herring, treasurer; Rachel Cox, FFA president; Orlis Fowler, sentinel; Scott Lowmore, vice-president; Carroll Fonville, secretary; and Arthur Tompkins, reporter.

Miss Norris FFA Sweetheart

BANK PROGRESS

C. Lucy Tate, president of the Waccamaw Bank and Trust Company's chain, reported to some 250 stockholders at the annual meeting in Whiteville Thursday that the 35th year of the institution was among the most successful in its history.

Mr. Tate pointed out to the stockholders at a general business meeting preceding a banquet that the bank's net earnings for 1960 totalled \$288,579.19, a ten percent increase over 1959. He also reported that the banks gained \$2,500,000 in deposits in 1959 without benefit of any bank mergers such as have been frequent in the State in recent years. He noted that the Waccamaw Bank had had no mergers since 1937.

Waccamaw Banks handled more than 9,500 loans in 1960 and these loans totalled more than \$7,900,000, Tate reported.

Rotary Holds Ladies Night

The last attended ladies night away from home ever held by the local Rotary Club took place at South of the Border restaurant near Dillon, S. C., Monday night. The Rotarians and wives attending totalled 48 and the meeting was generally applauded as the best the club had held in many years.

Arrangements for the ladies night were made by W. A. Williams and R. C. Soles, Sr.

Favors were presented to the ladies attending.

Vance C. Ward is a patient in Loris Community Hospital. His condition is reported critical at this time.

Miss Bonnie Norris was crowned 1961 F. F. A. Sweetheart Thursday night by Tabor City's Future Farmers of America at their annual Father-Son banquet.

The reigning Sweetheart is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Norris and was chosen by popular vote of the entire F. F. A. chapter.

Following the dinner officers of the organization were introduced to guests, including Harold Hughes, president; Scott Lowmore, vice-president; Ronald Herring, treasurer; Carol Fonville, secretary; Arthur Tompkins, reporter; Orlis Fowler, reporter; F. E. Lay Jr. and S. L. Jackson, advisors.

Guests were entertained by the club's president at the piano for solos; by the F. F. A. quintet composed of David Coleman, Carroll Fonville, Jimmy Burroughs, Tommy Spivey and Sammy Williams; plus several guitar numbers played by Melvin Tompson, Scott Lowmore, Gene Mills, accompanied by Hughes at the piano.

One of the highlights of the program was the drawing for gifts by which most persons attending the banquet came away with an item donated to the club by Tabor City merchants.

The F. F. A. president was introduced by Rachel Cox, president of the Future Homemakers chapter. The new Sweetheart was introduced by Scott Lowmore.

Also attending were members of the county board of education, men of the local high school faculty, and a number of merchants.

RUEY HEWETT

Ruey Hewett is a patient in the Southeastern General Hospital, Room 257, Lumberton where he underwent a major operation Tuesday morning.

Miss Tabor City Candidates Are Wanted By Club

Which young lady of the Tabor City shopping-area best qualities to represent the town in beauty pageants and local events during 1961?

Tabor City Citizens want to know and to find the answer will stage a Miss Tabor City contest on Friday night, March 16, in the school auditorium.

Mrs. Bernice Stevens and Mrs. Billy Page will direct the event, according to Civitan president Winston Gore. They will welcome the names of candidates who can qualify by being not older than 21 nor younger than a high school junior, unmarried, and possess poise and beauty.

The contest will be divided into three phases: street-dress, bathing suit and evening gown.

A men's fashion show will also be integrated into the March 10 program.

The new Miss Tabor City as well as the 1st runner-up will be presented trophies by the Civitan Club.

FLORIDA VISIT

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Prince and daughter, Patricia Sue, and Mrs. R. B. McKee visited Mrs. and Mrs. Kenneth Hester of Titusville, Fla. also Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Jackson, in Indian River City, Fla.

MRS. WOODROW MARTIN

Mrs. Woodrow Martin is a patient in Loris Community Hospital where she underwent surgery Monday.

DICKIE ROZIER

Dickie Rozier is a patient in Loris Community Hospital.

Outstanding Man Sought By Jaycees

Tabor City Jaycees are searching for the outstanding young man of the community. Each year the Tabor City Junior Chamber of Commerce presents a Distinguished Service Award to the young man between the ages of 21 and 27, who has contributed the most, overall, to the betterment of his community.

Boys' Life, chairman of the year's project, said today that he is the searching for nominees.

Any person may nominate whomsoever he feels is the best overall contribution to the welfare of Tabor City.

Nominations should be mailed to 2015 N. Main St. in person at 8:00 p.m. on Feb. 14.

Pharmacy.

Prior winners of this award have been Ben L. Nesmith III, Brock Young, Richard Gordon, Bruce Carter, Harold Ward, and James Cox.

The Jaycees are also making a countywide search for "Outstanding Young Farmer" candidates in honor which was instituted last year to Graham Harwood, Whiteville farmer.

Persons wishing to nominate someone considered an outstanding young farmer, should contact Lynwood Mills, Tabor City.

Winners of the two honors will be recognized at the Distinguished Service Awards banquet a feature by the Jaycees on Feb. 14.

Homecoming Event Is Set At Williams For Friday Night

Williams Township School's annual Homecoming basketball game will be played Friday night starting at 7:30 when the Aggies and Farmcrottes of Williams meet the Nakhim Indians.

Mrs. Petha Thompson and Mr. Jesse Vaughn will serve coffee to graduates of Williams Township in the high school library from 6:30 until 7:30.

At the half of the boys game, nine girls will compete for the title of Homecoming Queen. Gayle Long, the 1960 Queen, will crown the newly selected queen.

Judges for the contest are Mrs. Evelyn Leonard of The Tabor City Tribune; Mrs. Powers, The News Reporter; and Jack Rabbits of The Columbia Courier News.

Homecoming Queen contestants are as follows:

Mrs. Bernice Stevens, sponsored by the M. S. G. group, a member of the Homecoming club, varsity basketball team, student council, "Aggie" business manager, her mother is Mrs. Ruby Hughes of Tabor City. She is a senior.

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NEW OFFICERS — Pictured are the new officers of Tabor City Masonic Lodge 563, A.F.A. 53. The men were elected to fill the posts during 1961. Pictured left to right, they are W. C. Cribb, Steward; David Eugene Cook, Sr. Warden; A. J. Howell Jr., Jr. Deacon; Leamon P. Hickman, Master; Jesse R. Barker, Secretary; Wendell E. Howell, Sr. Deacon; Harold Hickman, Jr. Warden; Arthur Bellamy, Steward. Officers not shown are B. Frank Young, Treasurer; and Fred Hickman, Tplr.



RECEIVING EAGLE BADGES at the Fair Bluff high school auditorium Jan. 19, were seven boys from that town. The impressive Court of Honor brought to a climax one of the most distinguished honors that has been bestowed upon Fair Bluff and its citizens. It is entirely possible that this was the first time seven boys from one troop in the state have been awarded Eagle badges, the highest

award in scouting, at one Court of Honor session. The seven, plus their parents and others taking part in the ceremonies are shown above. They include from left to right Mr. and Mrs. Jim Kabon and son Jamie, Mr. and Mrs. Spruill Britt and son Randy, Lie Scout Jimmy Renfrow, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Rogers and son Douglas, Star Scout Pete Willis, Bill Williamson and Scout Master Byrd

"brightening" the last of the seven Billy Finzer, Mr. and Mrs. Willard Small and son David, Scout Class Scout Alan Turner, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Rogers and son David, and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Meares and son Paul. The ceremony was presided over by Scoutmaster Byrd who was nearly killed for the ceremonies as visitors came from all over the county to witness the seven youths as they received Eagle awards.