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Bike Rider Killed On Loris Highway

A 14-year-old boy was killed instantly by an automobile while riding a bicycle on U. S. Highway 701, four miles north of Loris Thursday.

Larry Keith Fowler was struck by an automobile driven by Roger Wayne Floyd, 18, of Rt. 4, Loris, Coroner Littlejohn Blanton said.

Young Fowler's 13-year-old companion, Joseph Daniel Scott of Tabor City, N. C., who was riding another bicycle, was uninjured.

Floyd said that as he drove toward Tabor City he did not see the two boys on bicycles until he was on top of them, as neither bike had a light on it. Both boys were riding near the center line, he said, and one veered right and the other left. Floyd struck the Fowler boy's bicycle in the rear.



Floyd posted a \$1,000 bond pending a coroner's inquest for which the date has not yet been set.

Funeral services for young Fowler were held Saturday at 3 p. m. from Inman Funeral Home in Tabor City by the Rev. P. H. Layfield, Jr., with interment in Forest Lawn Cemetery.

He is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Loman Fowler of Tabor City; two brothers, Horace and Ricky Fowler; three sisters, Jeanie, Jeanette and Judy Gale Fowler; and his maternal grandmother Mrs. Laura Jordan, all of Tabor City.

Bike Riders Safety Course

Safe bike-riding is to be the subject of a program to be conducted soon by Tabor City Jaycees and the police department. The project will last through a greater part of the summer, according to Chairman Eldon Dudley and Bryant Baker.

Children, up to the ages of 14, are urged to register for the program. They will not only learn the safe way to operate a bicycle, but will be given individual registration plates also.

The need for the program was more deeply realized by members of the Junior Chamber of Commerce when a local youngster was killed while riding his bicycle last week.

Youngsters interested in becoming safe and skillful bicyclists may register for the course with Baker at Baker's Red & White, or Dudley at Inman's Funeral Home.

Harriett Sikes Rotary Speaker

Mrs. Harriett Sikes, local businesswoman and tobacco warehousewoman, was the speaker at this week's meeting of the Tabor City Rotary Club. Mrs. Sikes discussed a part of her round-the-world trip last year and much interest was shown in her topic by members of the Club.

Rotarians will hold the annual installation of officers and ladies night the last Monday in June. R. C. Soles, Sr., and W. A. Williams will make arrangements for the meeting.

14-Year-Old Girl Assaulted Man At Large

A 14-year-old Beavertown girl was raped late Saturday night or early Sunday morning in a home in the Williams Township school area, according to the Sheriff's department.

Gaston Cartrette, about 30, is at large but will be charged with ravaging and carnally assaulting the girl, according to Deputy Auly Godwin.

The girl reportedly was taken to the Cartrette home late Saturday night by two teenage boys with whom she had been riding that evening, the officer reported. Shortly after her arrival Cartrette took her into a bed room and forced his attentions on her. She reported the incident to Sheriff Ben Duke Sunday.

He is married and the father of two children. His family was away when the alleged assault occurred.

One of the boys who accompanied the girl to Cartrette's home has been identified as Gray Nealey, 19, a Whiteville factory employee. He resides with the Cartrette family.

The other young man has been identified only by the name "Duncan," and lives in Belmont, N. C.

Baptist Set Bible School

The Vacation Bible School of the Tabor City Baptist Church will get underway Friday at 3 p. m. announced the Rev. James H. Johnson, church pastor, and principal of the school.

Everyone will assemble at 3 p. m. for Preparation which will consist of joint worship, registration, parade and refreshments.

Classes will open at 8:30 a. m. Monday on a ten day schedule for all groups beginning with the Nursery department through the Intermediates. Bible study, character study, memory work, worship, sing-spiration and refreshments will be on the program.

Mrs. C. C. Leggett will serve as assistant principal and general secretary.

Teacher Honored By Oak Foresters

LeRoy Lawrence, Sr. was recently chosen teacher of the year by his fellow teachers for 1960-61. The criteria for the selection of this honor, is on the basis of initiative, cooperation, leadership, and honesty.

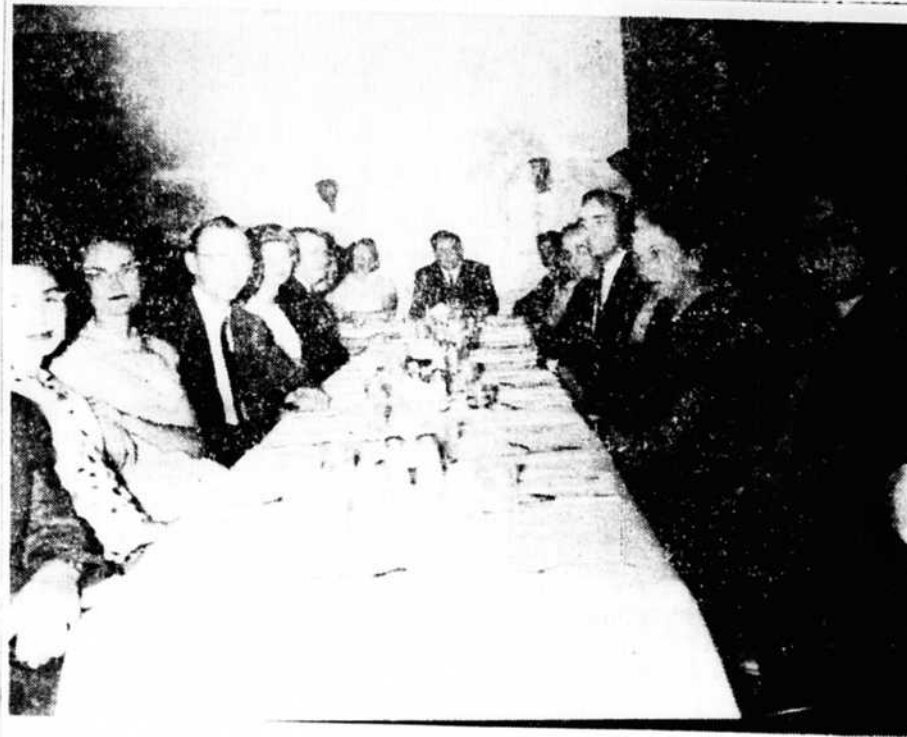
Lawrence received his formal education at Westside High School, Chadbourn, and was graduated as salutatorian of his class. He was later graduated from Fayetteville, State Teachers College, Fayetteville, North Carolina, holding a Bachelor of Science Degree. He did his graduate work at North Carolina College, Durham, receiving the Master of Education Degree. During his educational career, he has been active in music, public speaking, and Sunday School work.

He serves as counselor for boys, and works with the 4-H Club at Oak Forest School. He is now, one of the instructors of Grades 5 and 6.

He is an outstanding member of St. Stephens Baptist Church, Chadbourn.

During the summer of 1959, he was delegated by the Classroom Teachers of Columbus County Unit of the North Carolina Teachers Association, to represent them at the National Education Association in St. Louis, Mo.

Under the direction of L. R. Lawrence, his students have



JAYCEES AND WIVES AT ZANE'S TUESDAY

Jaycees Have Installation Banquet Tues.

Bill Rogers, Tabor City attorney, was installed as president of the Junior Chamber of Commerce Tuesday night at a banquet held at Zane's restaurant, Crescent Beach.

John McNair, a Laurensburg resident and a Jaycee national director, also installed Clifford Gore and Roger Mills as new vice-presidents; Harold Ward, treasurer; Horace Cox, secretary; Eldred Dudney, director; Lynwood Garrell, corresponding secretary; and Joe Coleman, Jay Biard.

In his address to Tabor City Jaycees and their wives, McNair spoke of the role of members in their community, stating that a club in a small community can adapt itself better than in a large community.

Too, he said that more services could be offered to the citizens by Jaycees in a small town like Tabor City.

Each new officer was challenged by McNair to make the club a more vigorous, service-rendering organization.

McNair cited many of the projects through which members could help the town, including the bicycle safety program and Junior Golf Tournament now being organized for youth activities during the summer.

Mrs. Dean Long Dies At 92

Mrs. Dean Long, 92, died at her home on Route 3, Tabor City Saturday at 1 p. m. after an illness of two months. She was the daughter of the late Nancy Long Stokes and Charlie Stokes of Columbus County.

Funeral services were held Sunday at 4 p. m. in the Pireway Primitive Baptist Church by Elder Grady Cox and Elder Gardner Mishoe. Burial was in the Long Cemetery.

She is survived by five daughters, Mrs. Luther Puckett, Mrs. J. D. Long, Mrs. Donnie Canady, Mrs. Harvey Buck and Mrs. Layton Buck all of Route 3, Tabor City; two sons, Lester and Rueben Lon, of Route 3, Tabor City; 25 grandchildren and 16 grandchildren.

RECITAL The Rosalynne Turbeville School of Dance will have its annual recital at the Loris High School Auditorium Monday night, May 29, at 8 p. m. The public is invited to attend.

61 Graduated On Tuesday At TCH

Scott Lowrimore was acknowledged Tabor City school's outstanding citizen Tuesday night during the commencement exercise and was awarded a trophy signifying the honor. More than twenty other members of the seniors also received awards for outstanding efforts in classes and extra-curricular activities.

Members of the graduating class addressed the assembly. Lonnie Norris challenged her class to "Let's make a go of our chosen lives and show our elders we have the enthusiasm and courage of red-blooded, freedom-loving American youth."

Said Sue Layfield, "A rich awareness of the natural world, just as God has made it, is one of the marks of an educated man; and as we choose a road to follow we will do well to go forth and take with us a heart that reaches and receives." She added, "Then we will appreciate to the fullest the minor, as well as major, ecstasies."

Carrie Jean Wray in her address declared, "Instead of leaning on our parents and teachers in the future, we will

have to take the things that they have taught us and choose the direction for our lives."

Award winners included the following:

Latin, Dianne Harrelson; French, Sue Layfield; commerce, Betsy Bruton; typing, Patricia Spivey; history, Truett Milligan and Richard Wright.

Most outstanding student in 3rd year home economics, Ricki Jean Norris; most-improved home-ec student during the year, Diane Faulk. Science, Truett Milligan; outstanding athlete, Jackie Small; chorus, Judith Nix; math, Bennie Prince; creative writing, Sue Kelley (\$10); agriculture, Harold Hughes; electrification, Odis Fowler (\$100).

Harvey West Band trophy, Margaret Callihan; outstanding musician in junior band, Phillip Lewis; student council award, Scott Lowrimore.

First Honor Graduate, Glenn Smith; second Honor graduate, Gwendolyn Wright. Smith has just received notice that he is a University of North Carolina scholarship recipient.

Members of the graduating class are:

Table listing graduates and their parents, organized by grade level (Seniors, Juniors, Sophomores, Freshmen).

Big Yam Meeting Slated In Tabor Tuesday, May 30

All farmers of Columbus, Brunswick and Horry counties are invited to attend a special meeting of interest to every sweet potato grower at the Tabor City school auditorium on May 30, at 8:00 P. M.

Rare Record For Tabor Graduate

Douglas Wilson Beck graduated from Tabor City High School last night with a rare distinction — he never missed a day of school!

The young man, 19, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Beck, Rt. 2, Tabor City. Of this record he said, "Going to school has been a habit like brushing my teeth. Automatic."

But he added, "I guess I have been real lucky, though. I've never had measles, small pox, or any of the other diseases that keep youngsters out of school." Tooth-ache did plague him at times, but he stated that "I just wouldn't have felt right if I missed a day of school."

Of the five members of his family who have attended the Tabor City school, he is the only one who has a perfect record of attendance. A sister had a perfect record, however, until her junior year.

Too, no other student in his graduating class, comprised of 61 members, has a perfect record of attendance.

Doug plans to enter the Air Force shortly, and later plans to work with his father in the contracting business.

Returning to his attendance record, Beck recalled that attendance alone will not cause passing grades. "I ought to know," he said, "I had to repeat the seventh grade, even though I hadn't missed a day." Thus he is the only student in Columbus County to ever attend classes for 13 years without missing a day.

Said his principal, Randall Burleson, "We are proud of his record. It is obvious that he enjoyed school, and that he is a fine, energetic boy, co-operative in all activities."

This Year's Picture — A large percent of Tabor City students had perfect attendance records during the year. By grades, they include the following:

1ST GRADE: Candice Butler, Sheila Rose Milligan, Mary Jane Soles, Billy Gerald Fipps, Mavis Lee Watts, Toni Jo Jacobs, Michael Norris, Cary Eugene Duncan, Stuart Albio Stevens, Al Wright, Velda Kay Carter, Pamela Kay Norris, Roger Gore, Paulette Willets, Janet Turbeville, Carolyn Spivey, Sandra Strickland, Eunice Soles, Paula Mills, Gail Fowler.

2ND GRADE: David Lawrence Herring, Sheryl Edith Norris, Terry Wayne Simmons, Danny Ray Sarvis, Larry Carl Bove, Tony Buffkin, Dwight David Beck, William Rodney Evans, John Hughes, Ronald Dale Nealey, Dennis Keith Norris, Randy Lane Wright, Shannon Elizabeth Dudley, Wanda Love Sarvis, Willa Love Sarvis, Sandra Gail Waddell, John Prince, Tony Nobles, Ervin Stalvey, Louvinia Spivey, Dizzie Norris, Earl Boswell, Haywood Fowler, William Wayne Gore, Mike Mills, Shelby Jean Cooke, Naomi Piver, Bonnie Ruth Miller.

3RD GRADE: Debra Waddell, Joyce Gore, Robert Jernigan, Dewey Bennett, Larry Duncan, Louvinia Soles, Maurice Spivey, Rayford Cook, Mike Watts, Kim Grainger, Pamela Cribb, Judy Faulk, Gloria Gae Grainger, Judy Kay Norris, Jerry Lynne Ray, Jane Wright, Steven Fipps, Shirley Hardson, Carolyn King, Sylvia Prince, Patricia Turbeville, Fonda Milligan.

4TH GRADE: Larry Fowler, Dale Fowler, Tony Spivey, Ray Norris, Kathryn Turbeville, Michael McCumbee, James Todd, Donna Hughes, Katie Fipps, Reta Piver, Deborah Williamson, Roxy Watts, Wanda Ward, Vicky Ward, Linda

City and other towns are also urged to attend the meeting. Tabor City Vocational Agriculture Teachers Sam Jackson and Fred Lay pointed out this week that one of the reasons for decreased production of yams in this area is the fact

that many tenant farmers have left the area for industrial employment. Landowners are concentrating on tobacco because of the lack of adequate farm labor to handle the sweet potato crops.

They also noted that potato diggers are now on the market that will greatly reduce the hard labor necessary for yam growing in the past. These machines are moderately priced and efforts will be made to have one or more of these machines here this fall, perhaps during the Yam Festival, for demonstration.

"Everyone knows what our yam problem is. It's lack of adequate yield per acre. The price of yams is not going to be exceptionally high. But with the right kind of yields and minimum expense in growing, a fine profit will be made by those growers who take advantage of the opportunity," Mr. Jackson and Mr. Lay said.

The May 30, program is designed to inform farmers of these possibilities in an effort to get this section back in the sweet potato market that it once dominated.

The five phase program now scheduled will begin with a few remarks by S. P. Smith, Tabor City businessman, who will discuss the yam as it relates to the economy of the section.

Dr. Hoover, of N. C. State College, will speak briefly on the flake potato.

Henry Covington, N. C. State College sweet potato specialist, will talk of yields and their importance to the grower.

Columbus County Farm Agent Charles D. Raper will discuss the current sweet potato yield contest.

E. K. Sanderson will be on hand to tell how he and his son produced 432.6 bushels of yams per acre that grossed them \$1500 per acre.

Bank Opens Installment Loan Dept. Ben L. Nesmith, Sr., Senior vice president of the Waccamaw Bank and Trust Company, announced today that effective June 1, an installment loan department will be open at the Fifth Street office.

This department will be handled by Bernice Garrell. Nesmith also announced that while banking hours cease at 1:00 P. M., the installment loan department will remain open each day until 5:00 P. M., except Wednesday and Saturday afternoons.

Installment loans may be secured and payments made at the Fifth Street office after this department begins operations there on June 1.

Graduate From East Carolina

Thirty-three students of this area received degrees from East Carolina College Sunday, Governor Terry Sanford delivered the commencement address and President Leo W. Jenkins conferred the degrees on members of the Class of 1961.

COLUMBUS: M. A.—Barnes Edward Stevens, Tabor City. A. B.—Ouida Gayle Shuman Heifner, Whiteville. B. S.—Doris Miriam Barnes Hullard, Chadbourn; Wayne Randolph Bullard, Chadbourn; Lois Mae Ward Caprell, Nakina; Nancy Jane Clifton, Whiteville; Margaret Joan Elliott, Chadbourn; Mildred Norment Earley, Hallsboro; Eula Pearl Watts Freedman, Whiteville; Edna Worley Jolly, Tabor City; Annie Grey Kelliham, Cerro Gordo; Wilbur Lee Newman, Chadbourn; Evelyn Powell, Clarendon; Barbara Jean Warner, Whiteville.

BLADEN: M. A.—Harold Dean Ingram, Clarkton; Joseph Ray Jolly, Bladenboro; B. S.—Syble Butler Stone, Bladenboro; Hugh McAlpin Vann III, Elizabethtown; Hazel Marie Collier Wallace, Clarkton.

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