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Six Cars Wreck Highway Patrol's Holiday Weekend

July 4th was a wreckless holiday for the local unit of the Highway Patrol but was preceded by an assortment of accidents totaling more than $1,000 in damages to Columbus County car owners.

Patrolmen reported the first accident occurred Saturday at 2:45 P.M. west of Acme. A 1957 Ford driven by Minnie Mae Wood, 18, was going west at an excessive speed and struck a culvert on the right side of the road, causing an estimated $150 damage to her car. She was cited for driving too fast for conditions.

At 11:00 o'clock on the same day a tractor was struck by an automobile driven by Gladys Bass Butler, 27, of Rt. 2, Whiteville. The tractor was proceeding westwardly on the Smyrna road and driven by Irvin Powell. The driver of the car stated that she did not see the tractor "until I hit it." Damages for the tractor were estimated at $700 to 500 to the car.

At 5:55 Henry Clayton Brown slowed down for an ambulance meeting him on US 74 2 miles east of Whiteville and was hit in the rear by a 1961 Chevrolet operated by Robert Thomas Little, 24, of Whiteville. The Little car's damages were estimated at $150 while Brown's totaled approximately $300. Little was charged with following too close.

The Iron Hill road on Tabor City Rt. 3 was the scene of the first wreck recorded by the Patrol for Sunday. A 1950 Ford driven by Johnnie Lee Prince, 26, suffered a blowout, ran off the road and crashed into a parked car owned by Quality Motor Company of Whiteville. A passenger of the Prince vehicle, Nathan McCray, was treated for cuts and bruises sustained during the accident. Prince was charged with driving without operator's licenses.

Monday at 1:00 P.M., a 1952 Oldsmobile going north on NC 410 four miles north of Tabor City, slowed down to turn off the road and was struck in the rear by a 1957 Ford driven by George McPherson of Clarendon Rt. 1. Driver of the Oldsmobile, Ezra Floyd Harrelson, was cited for giving no turn-signal, and McPherson for exceeding a safe speed.

McPherson was treated in Tabor City for cuts, bruises and three missing teeth.

Damages to the Oldsmobile were estimated at $150 and $500 for the Ford.

On the safe afternoon a 1961 Ford driven by Robert Benton McKenzie ran off US 74 near Hallsboro and struck a telephone pole. Benton, a High Point resident, was charged with drunken driving.

Drowning Takes Tabor Youngster

Jimmy Lee Small, 16, former Tabor City resident, was drowned Sunday in a freak accident at Black Creek, near Florence, S. C.

Witnesses said the boy swung from a rope on a limb, plunged into the water and came up down-stream.

Billy Eaddy, coroner of Florence County, revealed he tried to get out of the water on a slippery part of the bank, but failed. Eaddy said the boy sank under some brushes in deep water and did not come back up.

Lake City and Darlington Rescue Squads responded to calls for assistance. The body was located and retrieved from the water by the Darlington unit.

The victim was visiting an uncle, Bonnie Small, who lives in Brookgreen Estates, Florence.

Coroner Eaddy declared the death accidental by drowning and said an inquest would not be held.

Jimmy moved from Tabor City to Wilmington about a year ago with his family. At the time he left Tabor City he was employed with the Ritz Theatre and did some part time work with the Tribune. In Wilmington he was a member of the Immanuel Baptist Mission and a tenth grade student.

Surviving are the parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Small of 1508 Moore Plaza, Wilmington; one brother, Leverne; four sisters, Mildred, Dalma, Clarissa and Clardenia, all of the home; paternal grandmother, Mrs. Dow Small, of Loris, and his maternal grandfather, D. F. Pridgen, also of Loris.

Funeral services will be held at the Inman Funeral Hme Friday at 4 p. m. by the Rev. W. H. Stokley, III, Rev. Crance Hardee and Rev. Emmitt Tyler. Burial will be in the Forest Lawn Cemetery.

The body will remain at the home of an aunt, Mrs. Ethel Parker, on the Pireway Road until the funeral hour.

CALLING ALL JAYCEES

The year's first district Jaycee meeting has been scheduled for Thursday July 13 in Burgaw.

While making the announcement, Bill Rogers, president of the local chapter, urged all members to make arrangements to attend.

Mrs. Pink Stephens is a patient in the Conway, S. C. Hospital .

Close Call For Tabor Boatman

"I thought I was a 'gonner,' said Joe Duncan, local garage owner, after he was rescued from Lake Tabor Sunday afternoon.

Duncan was thrown from his boat which proceeded to circle the path through which he was trying to swim to safety, several times the boat missing hitting him by inches.

Edwin Hickman rushed his craft to the scene and rammed Duncan's boat, eventually sinking it in order to kill the motor.

Said Duncan, I am more than happy that minutes earlier I had put my son and nephew out of the boat. Chances are that they would not have been as lucky as I."

Meanwhile W. Horace Carter, president of Tabor City Recreation Commission, urged all persons visiting the location to use caution while fishing, swimming and boating.

"We cannot afford to hire life guards," Carter commented "Thus it is extremely important that safety measures are exercised. The commission cannot assume responsibility for liabilities occurring on Lake Tabor."

Local Food Shoppers Offer Little Objection To New Law

Local and area housewives began paying the much discussed new three per cent sales tax on food in the Tabor City grocery stores last Saturday.

Comments from a sampling of store managers indicate only a few cases of complaining shoppers. All were in general agreement that most people they came in contact with accepted the new tax without much comment.

Bulletins covering all changes in the state sales and use tax laws were sent out to the affected organizations. institutions, government units, businesses and merchants by the N. C. Dept. of Revenue last week. All became effective July 1.

The three per cent sales tax on food applies to all food products except sales of: (a) products of farms, forests and waters in their original or unmanufactured state by the producer in his capacity as the producer; (b) fish and seafoods when sold by the fishermen; (c) food products for resale, when such sales are supported by properly executed Certificates of Resale, Form E-590; (d) lunches to school children when such sales are made within school buildings and are not for profit; and (e) meals and food products served to students in dining rooms regularly operated by State or private educational institutions or student organizations thereof.

Now taxed at the rate of one per cent are all sales of horses or mules, semen to be used in the artificial insemination of animals, and sales of fuels to farmers to be used by them for any farm purposes other than preparing food, heating dwellings and other household purposes.

Sales of fuels to farmers for use by them in preparing food, heating dwellings and other household purposes continue to be taxable at the rate of three per cent.

Purchases of farm machinery will also now be taxed at the one percent rate, with a maximum tax of $80 on any single machine.

Sales to the State of North Carolina, its agencies, instrumentalities and political subdivisions, including counties, cities and towns, as well as sales to contractors to be used in construction or repair work for such governmental units, and sales to non-profit fire protection corporations or rural fire protection districts also are no longer exempt from the three per cent tax.

The one per cent tax rate on the sale price of motor vehicles and airplans remains unchanged until July 1, 1962, but the maximum tax on a single motor vehicle or airplane was increased to $120 effective July 1, 1961. The one per cent rate will increase to 1½ per cent effective July 1, 1962, with the same maximum tax of $120.

Cities, towns, counties, churches, orphanages, non-profit hospitals and other non-profit religious, charitable and educational institutions now taxed, have been informed as to how they may go about obtaining an annual refund of their sales and use taxes.

Additional information can be obtained from the Sales and Use Tax Division, N. C. Dept. of Revenue, Raleigh, or any of the local field offices.

Tabor Native Honor Graduate

Georgia McArthur, Tabor City native, was graduated from the Sarasota High School, Sarasota, Fla. late last month with top honors.

She was Salutatorian of her class and received several awards including a $100 Altrusa Club award, a $500 Pilot Club award, another $500 cash award from the Keyettes, and a $50 prize for a theme "My Future."

Of the 385 seniors Georgia was one of the twelve named to a national honor society.

Georgia's parents are Mr. and Mrs. "Red" McArthur and she is the niece of R. R. and S. T. Rogers of this city.

3 Men Fined In Altercation

Three of eight men arrested in connection with an altercation at Smith's Place at Bayboro more than a week ago pleaded guilty before Magistrate U. D. Phipps Saturday and were fined $28 apiece.

The magistrate actually sentenced the men to 30 days and a $28 fine but suspended the jail term.

Sentenced were L. C. Buffkin, Gay Junior Strickland and Edmund Hucks, all charged with disorderly conduct.

Still to appear in court are Keith Lawson and Sammy Jordan, charged with possessing an illegal weapon and with disorderly conduct; and Wayne Fowler, Bill Durden and a man named Martin, whose first name was not immediately available.

Present when the men were arrested were Horry County Police Sgt. Buddy Fowler and County Policemen Willis Gause and Prince Strickland.

Officers said Lawson and Buffkin became embroiled with some people at Smith's Place and Buffkin was shot. The officers said the men then went to State Line and returned with their budides, with at least two men armed. When county police arrived at Smith's place, a number of customers there had been forced to line up along the wall with their hands in the air.

Rev. Layfield Returns To TC

Rev. P. H. Layfield, minister at St. Pauls Methodist Church has returned from the Methodist Conference held at Wilmington, and will serve another year here .

The new Wilmington District Superintendent is the Rev. G. S. Boggs, who was at the Methodist Church in Clinton previously. He replaces Dr. J. E. Garlington.

Wade Pierce is the new district lay leader, replacing A. E. Goldfinch. Pierce has the Sunset Park Methodist Church in Wilmington.

Mrs. Carter Is Grand Strand Fishing Champ

MURRELLS INLET, S. C.—Mrs. W. Horace Carter of Tabor City takes first place when it comes to a fishing contest with her husband, newspaper publisher of Tabor City and Loris.

Horace Carter landed a 5-pound sheepshead but had to settle for a second place certificate in the Grand Strand Fishing Rodeo when his wife landed a sheepshead weighing 5-pounds and 14-ounces. Mrs. Carter wins a ten dollar first place check.

The Grand Strand Fishing Rodeo is sponsored by the Greater Myrtle Beach Chamber of Commerce and is free to all who enter. More than $7,000 in cash prizes will be awarded between now and Thanksgiving in the three divisions of the Rodeo—pier, surf and small boat, and deep sea.

The Carters caught their prize winning sheepshead fish at Murrells Inlet and weighed them in at Alex's Marina.

Merchant's Association Banquet Set For Monday Night; Big Turnout Urged

The Annual Ladies Night Banquet of the Tabor City Merchant's Association will be held Monday evening at 7:30 in the high school cafeteria.

Ken Lovell, executive secretary of the association said today that a stimulating and entertaining program has been planned, and urged that all members make it a point to attend. Member's families and their guests are invited.

This combined civic function includes members of Rotary, Civitan and the Jaycees, as well as the Merchant's Association.

The program will consist of the meal, a review of association activities for the first half of the year, entertainment, and possibly a guest speaker.

Featured guests at the banquet will be Dr. and Mrs. Walter E. Sharpe. Dr. Sharpe, a native of North Carolina, and formerly in practice at Los Angeles, Calif., is considering establishing a medical practice here. The Sharpes are currently vacationing at Lake Waccamaw.

Association President W. Horace Carter said, "We are anxious to have a good representation. I'm sure that all our members want to take advantage of this opportunity to meet Dr. and Mrs. Sharpe. He is a member of high standing in his profession, and we want to make him feel welcome and show him how active our association is."

Efforts are being made to secure Rev. Mark Osborne of Horry County as guest speaker.

Entertainment will be provided by the Twin State Trio. The spiritual singers are Norman Stephens, Ernest Stevens and Ken Lovell.

Tickets for the banquet are available at the Merchant's Association office, and from members of the association, at $1.50 each.

SNYDER'S VISIT

Lt. Com. and Mrs. Jack L. Snyder and children, Steve and Linda, enroute from Middletown, Rhode Island, visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Willoughby, and other relatives here last week. They are now visiting his parents in Indiana and will soon go to California where he is reporting to a new Navy assignment.

RONNIE LONG

Ronnie Long of Charlotte spent the holiday weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Long.

JOHNSON'S AT SEMINARY

The Rev. and Mrs. James H. Johnson and daughter, Rebekah Lynne, are at the Southeastern Seminary where he is attending classes for a Masters Degree in theology. Dr. B. F. Allen, of Marion, will serve as intern pastor for the Tabor City Baptist Church while they are away this month.

GAS REFUND

County Agent Charles D. Raper reports that Columbus County farmers are entitled to approximately a quarter of a million dollars in tax refunds on gasoline used in farm tractors since July 1, 1960.

In order to receive a refund farmers must fill out Form 2240, Claim For Refund of Federal Tax for Gasoline Used on the Farm.

For each gallon of gasoline used in a tractor during the fiscal year 1960-61, farmers are entitled to a four-cent refund.

Attention is called to an error that was made in the printing of this refund form for 1961. Line 2 (a) should be disregarded, and Line 2 (b) should read as follows: "Purchased from July 1, 1960 through June 30, 1961."

In order to determine the refund, the farmer should multiply the number of gallons used by four cents.

The forms have already been mailed to all farmers who filed for a refund last year. For those who did not file, a supply of forms is available at County Agent's office. Forms should be completed and mailed before Oct. 1, 1961.

Leaf Loan Rate Up 2.4 For 1961

Tobacco marketed in Tabor City this year will bring the grower $2.40 more on the hundred pounds than was paid in 1960 if it is sold to the government.

The U. S. Dept. of Agriculture has announced the increase in grade loan rates as "necessary to meet the Department's legal responsibility for providing price support at an average of 55.5 cents a pound."

Most of the increase is being placed on the medium and lower grades. Loan rates for most top grades remain about the same as last year.

The 2.4-cent increase in supports, if translated into equally higher prices, would increase the income of growers by $28.8 million. This figure is based on a 1,200 million pound crop.

The Department determined that "the latest moving 10-year average is a more realistic basis for anticipating the grade composition of the 1961 crop than the 1948-57 average, which has been used for the 1959 and 1960 crops. The 10-year moving average basis was used prior to 1959 and 1960."

The USDA action goes well beyond recommendations made by tobacco leaders at a five-state meeting in Raleigh early in June.

At that meeting, the Flue-Cured Stabilization Corp. recommended that the forecast of grade composition be based on the 1949-58 average and that the schedule of grade rates be adjusted to provide an average increase of .6 cents per pound. Instead, USDA used 1961-60 base, resulting in the 2.4 increase.

Clarendon Man Is Oil Company Prize Winner

Hugh Williams of Clarendon is the proud owner of a new 15-foot fibre glassboat with a 35 HP motor as the result of registering in Sinclair's Circus of Prizes, a promotion for Columbus County which ended with the drawing for grand prizes Saturday afternoon.

The mammouth give-away spree in Columbus began in early June with prizes announced weekly and was sponsored by T g T Oil Company, Whiteville, and Service Oil Company, Chadbourn.

Winners of other grand prizes were Carol Martin, Chadbourn, an air conditioner; and Laney Cook, Tabor City, a 5-piece dinette set.

The following weekly-prizes were given at the drawing Saturday, held in the studios of WENC, Whiteville:

Portable television, Janice Suggs, Tabor City; boy's bicycle, Luther Edwards, Cerro Gordo; girl's bicycle, Faye Morris, Nakina; vacuum cleaner, James Beck, Clarendon.

Transistor radio, Neil Bullard, Whiteville; another transister radio to Sam Mercerm, Chadbourn; steam iron, J. L. Pierce, Hallsboro; electric blanket, Gene Hammond, Whiteville; and Corningware set, Gilbert Enzor, Fair Bluff.

All of the gifts which are yet to be distributed may be obtained at the T & T Oil Company offices in Whiteville.

Six bushel-baskets of groceries, courtesy of Hill's Thriftway (Whiteville) were won by the following:

Leigh Butler, Whiteville; Douglas Skipper, Whiteville; John Mincey, Loris, S. C.; Charles Ripple, Whiteville; Jabe Hardee, Clarendon; and L. H. Baker, Delco.

McCALLUM'S VISIT

Mr. and Mrs. T. C. McCallum and son, Richard, of Chester, S. C. visited friends and relatives here Monday. Mrs. McCallum is the former Eulene Harrelson.

Fair Bluff Man Appointed Mgr.

A Fair Bluff native has been appointed manager of a new branch of South Carolina National Bank in Georgetown, S. C.

W. Paul Craven, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Craven, Fair Bluff, will manage the bank's Highmarket street branch. Prior to this appointment Craven was an administrative assistant of the banking firm since August 1960 after having been a member of the company's management training program in Greenville. S. C.

Prior to joining South Carolina National he was an auditor in the U. S. Army Audit Agency.

Craven is a graduate of Wake Forest College and attended the graduate school of the University of North Carolina.

In addition to his duties as manager of the bank's new branch office, Craven will be charged with installment loan department for all South Carolina's Georgetown offices.

Long Illness Fatal To Piver

John Delton Pive, 37, route 1, Tabor City died in the Veterans Hospital Fayetteville Friday morning after an illness of two years.

Funeral services were held Sunday at 3 p. m. in the Sandy Plain Baptist Church, of which he was a member, by the Rev. Clyde Prince and the Rev. J. Robert Carter. Burial was in the Hardee Cemetery.

He is survived by his mother, Mrs. Carrie Wade Piver of Route 1, Tabor City; four brothers, Donnie and Paul of the home; Clyde of Greensboro, Earl of Norfolk; two sisters, Mrs. Wilson Norris of Nichols, S. C. and Mrs. Gurley Cox of Bishopville, S. C.

Fowler Reports Agencies Unite

Official consolidation of Atlantic Life Insurance Company Richmond, Va., with Southwestern Life Insurance Company of Dallas, Tex. has been announced by J. Ralph Wood, president of Southwestern Life.

G. Garland Fowler is the local general agent for the Atlantic division of Southwestern Life Insurance Company, and has represented the company since 1939.

Atlantic Life became the Atlantic division of Southwestern Life with the consolidation. The division headquarters in Richmond will serve eight states and Washington, D. C., into which Southwestern expands with the consolidation.

Even before the consolidation, Southwestern rankes among the top three percent of all the nation's life insurance companies. Organized in 1903, the company now has assets in excess of $600 million and $2.7 billion of insurance in force.

All officers and employees of Atlantic Life will remain as officers and employees of Southwestern Life's Atlantic division. Too, all insurance policies previously issued or assumed by Atlantic Life have been assumed and guaranteed by Southwestern Life.

BRINKLEY'S VISITING

Col. and Mrs. J. S. Brinkley of Army Chemical Center, Md. are expected to arrive here today for a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Willoughby, and other relatives. They have been vacationing in Florida for three weeks .

Grand Strand Swank Clubs Raided Friday

Four swank places on the Grand Strand were raided by police Friday night, with liquor being found at all four and slot machines at one, Horry County Police Chief Henry Hardwick reported Tuesday.

He said County Police, two SLED agents and two members of the Myrtle Beach police force conducted the raids.

Raided, he said, were the Dunes Club, the Elks Club, the Pine Lakes club and the White Heron. Liquor, moostly opened bottles, was seized at each place, he said, with three slot machines being seized at the Elks club.

Chief Hardwick said the managers of the four places were arrested and posted bonds. He identified those arrested as Jennie F. Dreggemp of the Pine Lakes club; George Akers of the Elks Club, Johnny Fry of the Dunes Club, and Charles B. Fleshman of the White Heron.

He said the managers of the Elks Club, the Pine Lakes Club and the White Heron would appear in Myrtle Beach Recorder's Court, before Judge Jeff Long, while the manager of the Dunes Club would appear before Magistrate Wallace Harrelson.

Judge Long said Tuesday the matter had not yet been brought before him. Harrelson was not available.

Chief Hardwick also reported that on Friday night, June 27, the Oasis was raided, liquor found and the manager arrested.

Charles Young Joins Staff Of The Tribune

Charles S. Young, 28, a graduate of the University of North Carolina School of Journalism, has joined the staff of The Tabor City Tribune as associate editor.

A native of Wilmington, Young has lived in Charlotte the last two years where he did publicity work for the United Community Services and the United Appeal. Prior to entering the University in 1955, he served four years with the United States Air Force.

A member of a military family, Young attended public schools in North Carolina, Washington, California and in Germany.

As associate editor of The Tribune, Young will assist in the news and editorial coverage as well as advertising.

"We are happy to have Mr. Young with the Atlantic Publishing Company. He is a man of excellent character and qualifications, and we expect him to fill an important position with our company," W. Horace Carter, owner and manager said today.

Young is married and the father of two children. His family is now living 13 Live Oak Street in Tabor City.

Fire Destroys Fair Bluff Milling Plant

Fire destroyed the plant of the Fair Bluff Milling Co. early Monday morning.

Fire Chief Garlen Cole said the blaze was discovered before daylight at the large concrete block and tin structure.

Firemen managed to contain the fire to the building, and kept several nearby residences from burning.

A large quantity of feed was lost, in addition to a hammer-mill and other equipment. J. B. Floyd, manager of the plant said the loss is estimated at approximately $75,000. Cause of the fire has not been established.