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**PARHAM AND FRIENDS**—John Parham, center, appears pleased as he receives from Samuel E. Wheeler a well-filled envelope of cash given by friends for presentation on "John Parham Night" observed Thursday at the Woman's Club. Shown to the right are Hugh Currin, chairman, Don Hipps, assistant Wake Forest coach, Wheeler, Parham, Nick Consoles, Dean Hillenbrand and Bob Bartholmew, all of Wake Forest.

## WAKE FOREST ATHLETE SHOWN HONOR BY HOME-TOWN FRIENDS

**John Parham Night Observed at Club House with Civic Club Members and Wake Forest Alumni Participating**

Nearly 200 friends and neighbors joined in a dinner meeting here on Thursday night to pay tribute to John Parham, home-town boy who last month ended his college football career at Wake Forest by scoring 50 points, just three under the individual scoring record for the school.

Parham, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Parham, who reside on Stallard road near Oxford, completes his four-year course at Wake Forest in January. He has majored in physical education and plans to coach high school athletics.

Hugh Currin, former mayor and Wake Forest alumnus, presided at the session held at the Woman's club and attended by members of the Rotary, Kiwanis and Lions Club with several members of the Jaycee organization also in attendance.

Speech-making was brief and when he had heard Currin, his coaches at Wake Forest and teammates pay tribute to his record, John came to his feet. "This is the biggest surprise of my life," Parham said just after Samuel E. Wheeler, in behalf of friends and admirers, had presented him an envelope fattened by \$200. "I'll remember this night until I die. I want all of you to know that I appreciate it from the bottom of my heart."

Parham said he hoped that he could some time show his real appreciation. "I'm proud of Oxford, proud to call it my home. I hope I can settle here," he declared.

Coach Tom Rogers, who turned in his resignation at the college a few days ago brought down the house just after his presentation by Currin. "To show you how I feel about Parham, he leaves Wake Forest in January and I'm going to see PARHAM, Page 5

## Tobacco Meeting

S. N. Hawks and other specialists from the State College Extension Service will be at the high school auditorium here tomorrow, Wednesday, for a consideration of tobacco problems now facing producers.

Farm Agent C. V. Morgan has arranged the gathering, which he calls the county's annual "tobacco meeting." There is need by growers for information on varieties, where and under what conditions they can best be grown, characteristics and yields of some of the newer varieties and also information about disease control and fertilization.

The time of the meeting is 10 a. m. Morgan said he expected the session to draw a large attendance of tobacco growers from all sections of Granville.

## Mrs. J. H. Bullock Buried Yesterday

**Former Resident of Granville Succumbs in Florence, S. C., Hospital**

Mrs. Joe H. Bullock, 84, a former resident of Granville County, died at 8 p. m. Saturday in a Florence, S. C. hospital. She had been a resident of Florence for 11 years and critically ill for a week prior to her death.

The funeral was conducted at 2 p. m. Monday at the Bullock Methodist Church by the Rev. Vernon Tyson, pastor. Burial followed in the Bullock-Lyon cemetery near Creedmoor.

Mrs. Bullock was the former Miss Mary Faucette of Winston-Salem. She was born Oct. 21, 1871, the daughter of the late James Nathaniel and Anne H. Cannady Faucette of Orange and Granville counties.

She attended Oxford College and was a teacher in the schools of Granville County for a number of years.

Surviving are her husband, Joe H. Bullock of Florence; James F. Bullock of Florence; James of Oxford; two brothers, Nels E. Faucette of Durham and David A. Faucette of Ontario, Canada; two granddaughters and two grandsons.

## Willis J. Daniel Buried At Trinity

**Retired Farmer of Sharon Church Community Dies in Granville Hospital**

Willis Jefferson Daniel, 79, retired farmer of Sharon Church community, died at 11:15 a. m. Friday at Granville Hospital after an illness of several months.

The funeral was conducted at 2:30 p. m. Sunday at Trinity Methodist Church by the pastor, Rev. Arthur Phillips. Burial was in the church cemetery. Rev. W. J. Edwards assisted in the service.

Born in Granville County, where he spent virtually all his life, Mr. Daniel was a son of the late Joe Daniel and Fannie Wilkerson Daniel.

Surviving are his wife, the former Rosa Huff, seven sons, John, Albert, Woodrow, Vely, and Benton Daniel, all of Granville County, and Craig and Ernest Daniel of Fuquay Springs; a daughter, Mrs. Floyd Currin of Petersburg, Va., and two sisters, Mrs. Graham Huff of Granville County, and Mrs. Richard Newton of Danville, Va. Also surviving are eight grandchildren and one great grandchild.

## Currins Move Into Green Acres Home

Mr. and Mrs. Brent Currin and sons, John and Lee, have moved to Green Acres, where they have bought the Robert Louis Stevenson home. The Currins formerly lived in the Noblin apartment on College Street. Mr. and Mrs. Stevenson and children have moved to Graham.

## Christmas Play To Be Given at Corinth

A Christmas play, "The Inn at Bethlehem," will be given at Corinth Baptist Church on Dec. 25 at 7:30 p. m. In announcing the program, in which several persons are to participate, Miss Anne Brummitt stated that the public is invited.

In the first 10 months of 1955, individuals put away \$68 million more in Series E and H bonds than they drew out in redemptions.

## C. D. Lyon, Carrier 36 Years, Leaves His P. O. Position

**Dinner Tendered at Creedmoor by Friends and Associates**

During his 36 years of employment by the U. S. Post Office Department, C. D. Lyon has traveled a long road covering hundreds of thousands of miles.

He has just retired as an RFD carrier out of the Creedmoor Post Office. As a manifestation of friendship, co-workers and friends joined Thursday night in a dinner at a Creedmoor restaurant.

Mr. Lyon went into postal harness late in the rose and buggy days when the mail moved by train. He has many interesting—some of them amusing—memories of his experiences.

At the Thursday night dinner, he was presented two gifts as tokens of love and esteem from those with whom he had been associated more than a third of a century.

In attendance at the dinner were Postmaster and Mrs. J. C. Peed, Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Parrott, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Roberts, Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Nowell, Bill Veasley, Marjorie Smith, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Peed, Mrs. Maime Zabriskie and Mr. Lyon.

## Mother of Nine Dies In County

**Death of Reva Winston, 46, on Cheatham Farm, Ascribed to Natural Cause**

Death Saturday morning of Reva Winston, 46-year-old Negro woman on the Cheatham farm four miles east of Oxford, left nine orphans.

Sheriff Roy D. Jones, who investigated, said the woman was sleeping alone in a room in the house occupied by her nine children. She was heard breathing hard about 10 p. m. of the children went to investigate. Her death occurred within 15 minutes and before a physician could be obtained.

Sheriff Jones said Dr. R. W. Taylor, who examined the body, expressed the belief the woman had died of a heart seizure.

The children, ranging in ages from six to 20, said their father had been gone since 1950.

## A & P Employees Share \$2,500,000

Employees of the Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company throughout the country will share more than \$2,500,000 in pre-holiday compensation this year, it was announced today by Ralph W. Burger, president of the food chain.

Every employee with as much as six months service will receive a part of the annual fund voted by the company's board of directors. The amount to be distributed this year is \$200,000 more than last year's compensation.

White rocks and Rhode Island reds are the most popular chickens among North Carolina poultrymen.



**GETTING ACQUAINTED**—These little children, among the scores who received gifts at the Burlington Industries Christmas party Sunday afternoon, had no hesitancy in getting acquainted with Santa and making known their Christmas wishes. Santa had generously filled Christmas bags for all children under 10 years of age of employees of the Oxford plant. Left to right are Leonard Gilmore, Jr., Janet Wränn, both four, Jean Coley, 9, Santa, Debbie Dement, 6, and Michael Norwood, 4.

## Tree Hunter, Girl 16, Makes Her Way From Wooded Area

**Search Party Organized Sunday as Ellen Champion Becomes Lost in Woods**

A 16-year-old girl, who became lost while searching Sunday afternoon for a Christmas tree, wandered from the woods three hours later, weary from her long walk but uninjured.

Sheriff's men and other volunteers were called when Ellen Champion, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Champion, failed to return from her woods trip. Her younger brother, Dal, found his way home. The Champions reside on the W. H. Pryor farm west of Oxford.

Ellen and her brother, Dal, who reside with their parents, entered the woods in the afternoon. Ellen said she would search for a Christmas tree, and Dal said he would cut running cedar. They went separate ways.

The parents became alarmed when the girl did not return home. The search was underway when the girl walked out of the woods on the opposite from which she had entered.

## MYF Organization Schedules Project

Members of the Oxford Sub-district of the Methodist Youth Fellowship will assemble at Oxford Methodist Church at 7 o'clock Wednesday night, Dec. 21, to carry Christmas cheer to a needy family in the county. All members of the Methodist churches are asked to bring canned food, toys, or clothing.

## ASSISTANT CLERK-TAX COLLECTOR EMPLOYED; CAR ADDED TO FLEET

**Toys Distributed At Plant Party**

**Burlington Industries Host for Children's Party Saturday Afternoon**

Around 700 persons were guests of Oxford Plant of Burlington Industries at the annual Christmas party Sunday afternoon for children of employees.

Fruit cakes and soft drinks were served as the guests arrived and Christmas music was played prior to the program. Christmas movies were shown for each of the groups which crowded into the big shipping room of the company.

Following the movies, which included "The Littlest Angel," Benny Owen and Allie Slaughter were given as door prizes. Rev. H. W. Baucom gave the invocation for the first party and Rev. Bridgers for the second.

Office Manager Frank Bullock extended season's greetings and Plant Superintendent W. L. Johnson stated that the party was planned for the children of employees. He welcomed the guests and stated that Santa would come at the end of the party. Assisted by supervisory personnel, Santa distributed nearly 400 generously filled Christmas bags containing fruit, nuts and toys.

A British explorer, Capt. James Cook was first to sight the ice mass surrounding Antarctica, in 1770.

There were indications that the Gulf distributor may be preparing to erect a service station at the site of the former J. A. Williams home.

The board approved a request for a 30-day sick leave for O. L. Harrison of the police department, if it is found that Mr. Harrison needs that time for impending hospitalization.

The board heard and took no action on a request from D. P. Robinson for payment for a tire and tube which he said were destroyed by his car hitting a street break near the intersection of Watkins and New College streets. The bill was for \$30.89.

The drainage problem at the Thomas Brummitt home was again brought before the board. Earlier, the board authorized installation of drainage to take care of flooding which resulted by construction of a street above the level of Brummitt's yard on Fairview road. Brummitt's attorney, W. M. Hicks, said the drainage had not corrected the situation. Three board members, L. E. Breedlove, C. E. Coble, and S. B. Knott, voted to give \$50 toward the expense of moving dirt into the yard. The only other commissioner present, T. G. Powell, voted against the proposal.

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## S. T. Currin, Jr. Gets Oxford Post

**Number of Other Matters Considered at Meeting of Board of Commissioners of City**

Municipal services here are being expanded through the employment of an assistant tax collector and city clerk and purchase of a second automobile for police and municipal use.

S. T. Currin, Jr., has joined City Hall personnel as assistant tax collector and assistant city clerk. In these capacities, he will assist City Tax Collector-Clerk T. O. Mullins.

The automobile is to be used when needed by the police department and will be available for use of the city administration in local and out-of-town trips necessary in conduct of municipal affairs, officials stated. The car was acquired from the State Surplus Property Division at a cost of \$900. It formerly was used by the highway patrol.

Approval was given a request from General J. W. Jenkins for permission to install a six or eight inch pipe line from a lot at the corner of Bell and Williamsboro streets to the storm sewer at the corner of Gilliam and Williamsboro streets, provided the work is done under the supervision of City Manager Fred Parham. Gen. Jenkins assumed responsibility for any damage which might result to trees along the course of the installation.

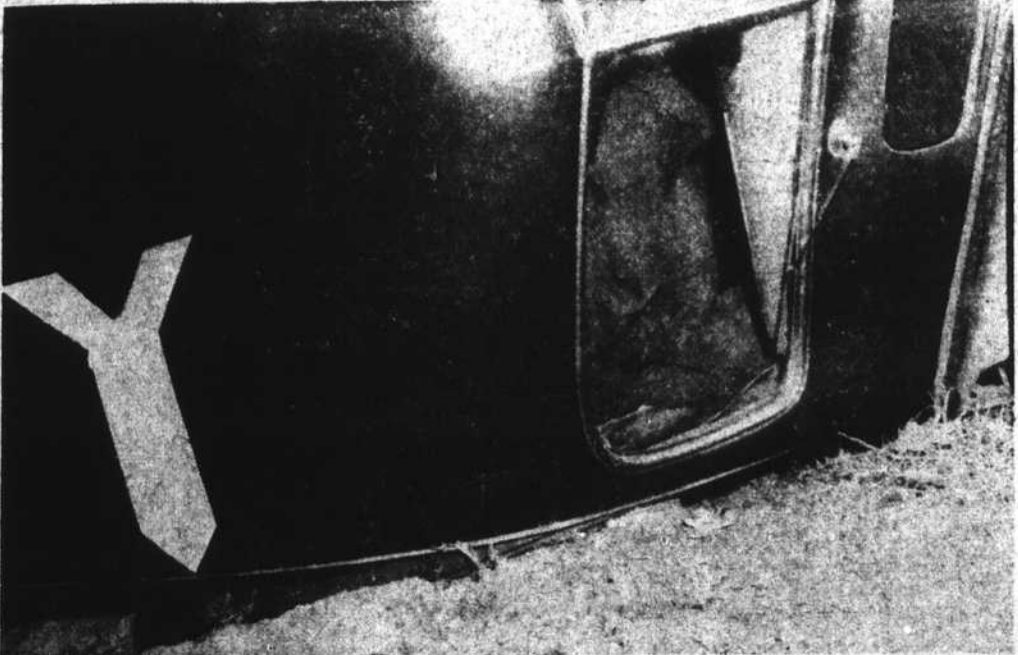
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**NEEDED SAFETY BELT**—A man identified as Waverly Edward Closs, 35, Negro, of Henderson, might have escaped with his life had he been wearing a safety belt at the time his car crashed into a road-side bank on the Wrenntown road near Dickerson Sunday morning. Patrolman D. P. Darden said Closs was apparently traveling along when his car went out of control on a curve, slammed head-on into a bank and overturned, pinning his head (arrow) beneath the wreckage. Closs legs may be seen through the windshield, extending almost to the brake pedal. (See story, page 7)



**FARM PATTERN**—Here is Mystery Farm No. 68 with its beautiful pattern of farming displayed in the spreading acres and roads. Readers are invited to identify the farm as to ownership and location, turning in the information to the Public Ledger prior to 5 p. m. Dec. 26 either by mail or telephone. The owner is invited to come in and receive a gift picture of his premises. Subscriptions will be given to two persons who turn in the correct identification.

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