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W. L. Wood

One of the most outstanding characteristics of Willard Lloyd Wood, known to thousands as Hickory Wood, was his loyalty to his friends, to his church and to his town.

For a quarter of a century he operated a store in downtown Warrenton where he made new friends and cemented ties with those of many years standing. One knowing this man through the years was struck not so much by the number of his friends but the sense of loyalty he manifested to those to whom he had given his friendship.

Mr. Wood had a strong liking for young people and this liking found expression in his support of the athletic programs of the John Graham High School as well as the time he was always willing to take up with children. There was no more active member of the John Graham High School Boosters Club. He could always be counted upon to attend the meetings of the club, where plans were made, and few members could exceed him in the number of tickets he sold each year.

For 14 years he served as a town commissioner. His energy found expression in his work on the important street committee and he handled many difficult situations arising

out of clashes of interest with fairness and with dispatch. His first loyalty was to his town and no one can recall where he put his own gain above that of his town and its citizens.

Mr. Wood was for many years a member of the American Legion and his loyalty and his energy was well known and was rewarded by appointment as a district commander. He was faithful to his obligations as a member of the Baptist Church and for years he served as a deacon of his church. The same trait was found in his fraternal obligations and he worked loyally with the local Masonic Lodge and became a member of the Shrine.

Mr. Wood was never content to give only lip service to the things in which he believed, but could always be counted upon to carry his fair share of the load of the organizations of which he became a part.

Sometimes he was outspoken, sometimes he was wrong in his judgment, human and understandable faults, but he harbored no grudges and he was willing to listen. He did the right as God gave him to see the right and the contributions he made to his town and his fellowman will long be remembered.

Educational Programs

Coming in late from a meeting of the Board of Education Monday night, we tuned in on TV Channel 4 where a panel discussion of the Ku Klux Klan was in progress with Congressman Charles Weltner of Georgia, head of a Congressional committee investigating the Klan, Floyd McKissick, board chairman of the Congress of Racial Equality (Core), L. P. McLendon, Greensboro attorney, and Pete Young, Raleigh TV newsman, serving as panelists.

Weltner and McLendon were anti-Klan, Young, pro-Klan, and McKissick in a neutral role. After the discussion each of the panelists answered questions directed from the floor. It was an interesting discussion and was informative regardless of the way one's sympathies may lie.

We mention this because it is just an example of the varied type programs that may be heard over an educational TV channel such as Channel 4, originated at the University of North Carolina Chapel Hill, Raleigh and Greensboro. One can hear and see panel discussions, debates, concerts, stage shows,

news, history, geography, physics, instruction in mathematics, athletic contests as they involve the University, and a great many other fine programs.

The surprising thing to us, in view of the widespread criticism of TV fare served by many of the commercial stations, is the small number of local persons who tune in on Channel 4 where high type, educational programs are the rule. It could be in part due to lip service paid to culture and education, but it may be in some part to an unawareness of the programs offered. Our comments are directed at correcting this latter reason.

NEWS OF FIVE, TEN, 25 YEARS AGO

Looking Backward Into The Record

December 16, 1960

Norlina is to have a new police office with construction expected to start early in 1961. Warren County schools will close for the Christmas holidays on December 21.

Commissioner H. W. Holt has been appointed chairman of the Water Committee of the Town of Warrenton. Vesper services of Christmas music will be held at the Warrenton Baptist Church on Sunday afternoon.

December 16, 1955

Announcement that a sportswear factory will be erected at Warrenton in the spring was made yesterday by the Bute Development Company.

Governor Luther Hodges has agreed to provide funds for a bridge across the Roanoke River in Warren County.

Bill Sharpe, editor of The State Magazine, was a visitor in Warrenton on Wednesday afternoon.

John Graham will play its first basketball game of the season Friday night when it hosts Aycock in a double-header.

December 13, 1940

Major Claude Bowers said yesterday that about 90 per cent of the Warren County guardsmen in camp are expected to leave on December 21 to spend Christmas at their homes.

The Warrenton Jaycees plan to give away an automobile in a drawing here on Christmas Eve.

Around \$25,000 in Christmas savings was released Monday by the Warrenton Building and Loan Association.

Robert Scott, deputy Register of Deeds, has been appointed a magistrate by Governor Hoyt.

Letter To The Editor

To The Editor:

I noted and read with much interest your editorial concerning the study of the University trustees with your reprint of the article in The Chapel Hill Weekly which gave pertinent reasons why such a great institution should not be subjected to political back-scratching and made the pawn of any political power structure. It is hoped that the Hodges commission will come up with a solution that will correct this state of affairs.

The lights that have shown from the halls of this, our own, great university transcend and should blot out any effort to make it a political plum.

The candlepower of these lights came from men like Presidents Battle and Graham, Drs. Henderson, MacNider, Williams, Rosenau—to mention only a few. The administrative policies of Presidents Battle and Graham brought on phenomenal growth and development without forsaking high standards.

Few universities harbored the peers of Archibald Henderson and DeBernier MacNider. In the field of mathematics Dr. Henderson was one of the first, if not the first, mathematicians in this country who explained Einstein's theory of relativity. His avocation was history and biography. He was the only man in this country that George Bernard Shaw would authorize to write his biography.

In the field of physiology Dr. MacNider's stature places him alongside such men as Claude Barnard and Grown-Sequard. During his tenure he probably did more work on the functions and mal-functions of the kidney and liver than any man in this country.

Dr. Milton Rosenau was to preventive medicine as Sir William Osler was to the theory and practice of curative medicine.

If I remember my reading correctly, Dr. Williams was famous for his clarity in teaching.

Let us hope that the successors of these great men will be able to carry on their lasting work.

NATHAN P. FITTS, M. D. Warrenton, N. C.

LITTLETON NEWS

Mrs. Charles W. Moseley of LaCross, Va., visited Mrs. John Picot Saturday and they spent the weekend with Mrs. C. E. Critcher in New Church, Virginia.

William B. Rodwell was in Henderson on Friday.

Mrs. J. T. Bell recently visited her sister in Kinston and her sister, Mrs. Allen Alridge, returned with her here for a visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Julian Acree and Mrs. Brantley Acree were in Durham on Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Kidd were Monday visitors of relatives in Lawrenceville, Va.

Mrs. Oscar Tripp of Roanoke Rapids was a Friday visitor of Miss Alice Newsom and Mrs. Sol B. Bobbitt.

Mrs. Lloyd Salmon, Mrs. Harvey L. Paynter and son, Gary, were Thursday visitors of Mrs. Roland Ferrell in Roanoke Rapids.

Mrs. Arthur Larrimore and Mrs. Lloyd Salmon were in Richmond Wednesday.

L/Cpl. Joseph E. Stansbury, Jr., of Cherry Point Marine Corp., was home with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Stansbury.

Mr. and Mrs. Rodwell Crawley of Jacksonville, Fla., are spending sometime with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Riggan and other relatives.

William Buffaloe of Hopewell, Va., spent the weekend at home with his grandmother, Mrs. Selma Bobbitt and other relatives.

Raymond Chichester of Chowan College, Murfreesboro, spent the weekend at home with his mother, Mrs. W. N. Chichester.

Mrs. Macon Moore, Sr., and Mrs. Gertrude Powell spent several days last week with Mrs. Hampton Riggan, Mrs. C. B. Lewis, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Riggan and Mrs. Zeb Riggan in Danville, Virginia.

Mrs. Gertrude Powell returned to visit with Mrs. Ann Crews Sunday after having spent two weeks with Mrs. Macon Moore, Sr., and others in this area.

Long Blackout Here Unlikely, Lions Told

The possibility of a "blackout" in this area, similar to the one in the New York area a few weeks ago, is very remote, a power company official told members of the Warrenton Lions Club here last Friday night.

Ed Utley, superintendent of the Carolina Power and Light Company's Hyde River steam generating plant near Roxboro, told the Lions that due to the many tie-ins with other companies, which will supply his company with power in the event of breakdown due to storm or other hazards, it is extremely unlikely that this area would suffer any prolonged blackout.

Guest speaker at the regular meeting of the Lions Club held at Warren Plaza Inn, Utley was introduced by Monroe Gardner, program chairman.

The plant at Roxboro is modern in all respects and when completed will be the 11th largest of its kind in the world, Utley said. Plans call for four units, with the No. 1 unit being completed next year. The plant calls for a capital investment of more than \$325 million. This coal burning plant will use more than six trainloads of coal each day, and its condensers will use water from a lake 10 miles long and covering 3750 acres. The condensers convert steam back into water.

The lake, which is already being used for recreational purposes, is located in Person and Caswell Counties, and is formed from water of the Byco River.

Utley used a map in pointing out many facets of the plant, from the handling of the coal for fuel, to the cooling of the spent steam by the huge condensers.

Present at the meeting with Utley was Bud Gaston, local Carolina Power and Light Company manager. Also present for the meeting was Ted Wilson, a guest of Lion Mack Bullock. The meeting was presided over by President W. L. Turner, with Lion Ed Rooker saying the Grace and Lion Monroe Gardner leading the singing. Duke Jones was Lion X and the dollar was won by Lion Ham Bryson.

Announcement was made that the annual Christmas Father-Son-Daughter party would be held at the Country Club on Tuesday, Dec. 21.

Gaston

(Continued from page 1) cancer, when prenatal loss is included," Gaston said.

Gaston pointed out that despite the magnitude of the problem, important progress is being made through the March of Dimes. He cited the role of March of Dimes-supported research in the development of new tests for PKU and galactosemia, inborn errors of metabolism, which can cause severe mental retardation if not discovered and treated soon after birth.

In addition, March of Dimes funds go to support more than 50 hospital-affiliated centers, including the University of North Carolina, where teams of medical experts provide diagnosis and special treatment for victims of birth defects. "What we are really trying to do in the March of Dimes," declared

Gaston, "is to find the answer to the tragic question that must be asked by millions of American mothers".

"Why did this have to happen to my baby?"

The father glumly finished examining his son's report card. "Well, one thing is definitely in your favor," he told the boy. "With these grades, you couldn't possibly be cheating."

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Freddie Harris Entertained On Birthday

Littleton—Mrs. Milton Harris, Mrs. Martha Halship of Littleton and Mrs. Willie Jenkins of Norlina were joint hostesses on Saturday night at a dance honoring Mrs. Harris's son Freddie Harris on his 16th birthday in the Littleton Community Building.

The building was decorated by Mrs. Jenkins, using a Christmas motif. The refreshment table was covered with a white linen cloth centered with an arrangement of Nandina berries and greenery in the shape of an 8 with a seven branch candelabra holding red candles. An arrangement of Christmas bells were on the door.

While refreshments consisting of cake squares, peanuts and red punch were being served a record of "Happy Birthday, Sweet Sixteen" was played. Tonya Harris, sister of the honoree, entertained with a pantomime of Connie Frances, "If Your Pillow Could Talk." There were thirty-seven people present, including cousins of

the honoree, Miss Gail Robins, Elaine Smith and Miss Mary Smith of Gaston. Miss Sandra Jenkins of Norlina was also an out-of-town guest.

Mrs. Lawrence Morris spent several days last week with her son, Jack Critcher who was a patient in a Portsmouth, Va., Hospital. She also visited Mrs. Critcher who has just returned from a hospital.

The Rev. and Mrs. H. L. Davis recently visited friends in Elizabethtown.

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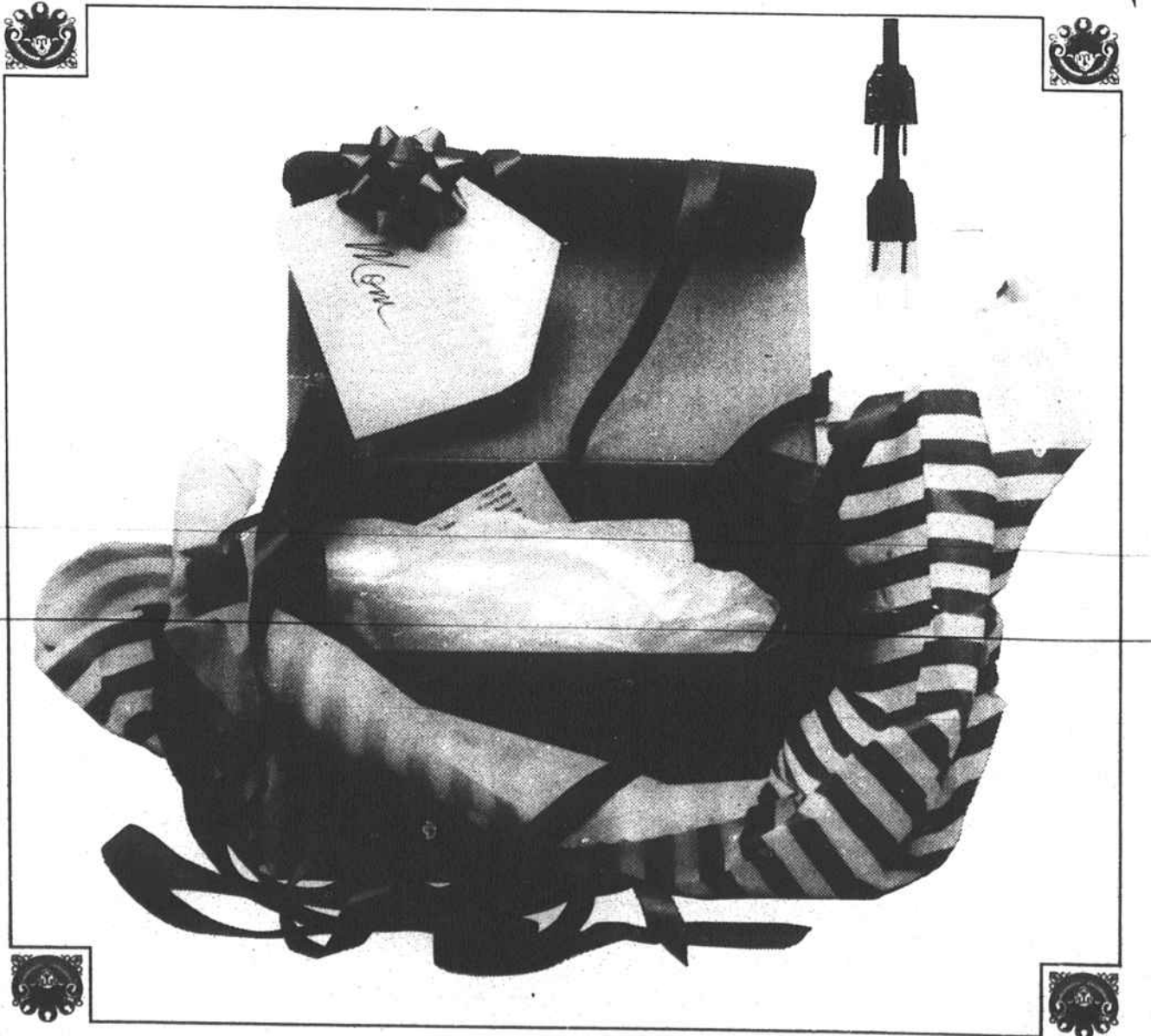
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Quotes

Men have more problems than women. In the first place, they have to put up with women.—Francoise Sagan.

Good management consists in showing average people how to do the work of superior people.—John D. Rockefeller.

Why can't the captain of a vessel keep a memorandum of the weight of his anchor, instead of weighing it every time he leaves port?—George D. Prentice.

Even the great, in their estate, stir up strife. We listen to their views and change our easy life.—Dorothy B. Robbins.

If you keep your mouth shut you will never put your foot in it.—Austin O'Malley.

When our first parents were driven out of Paradise, Adam is believed to have remarked to Eve: "My dear, we live in an age of transition."—William Inge.

There's nothing wrong with parachuting. It's just the landing.—Brig. Gen. Joseph W. Stilwell.

If a second marriage is the triumph of hope over experience, a third marriage must certainly be the victory of madness over everything.—Abney Roteler.