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New Year's Baby

Davie County's first baby arrived early New Year's Day at 5:43 a.m. at Davie County Hospital. The baby boy is the proud possession of Mr. and Mrs. John S. Blackwelder, of Route 5, Mocksville. They also have a son, Johnny Dale, age 6.

He weighed six pounds, 12½ ounces

and has been named Billy Ray.

Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Spry Sr. of Cooleemee. Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Blackwelder, Sr. of Route 1, Mocksville.

Little Billy Ray will receive many nice gifts compliments of the local merchants.

Ralph Padgett Wins Shotgun

Mr. Ralph Padgett of Mocksville was the winner of the model 1100 Remington, 12 gauge automatic shotgun given away by the Cooleemee Lion's Club and the American Legion Post 54.

The drawing was held on December 24, at the Cooleemee Hardware and Sporting Goods Store in the shopping center.

NEW TIME!

The regularly scheduled visit of the American National Red Cross Bloodmobile was canceled Tuesday of this week due to the inclement weather. The Bloodmobile unit visit is being re-scheduled for Monday, January 19. The unit will be set up in the Fellowship Hall of First Baptist Church in Mocksville. Donors will be received between the hours of 11 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. week after next.

Two Windows Broken In Shopping Center

The New Year has certainly started off with a "bang," especially in the Cooleemee Shopping Center.

And if this keeps up, there won't be many plate glass windows left.

The window of the P & N Department Store was the first to go. Someone, apparently clowning around on the ice Christmas night, ran their car through the large window, which was found when the employees arrived for work the following day. This is being investigated by the local sheriff's department.

The window in Cooleemee Launderette, next door, was kicked out over the weekend. Timmy Barnes, 20, has been charged with breaking and entering, and public drunkenness.

The area of the Shopping Center, facing Marginal Street, looked sort of like the saloon windows on television, after a barroom brawl.

Most of the broken glass has been removed and the windows will be replaced shortly.

Man Arrested, Checks Recoved In Robbery

A local resident, who is presently under indictment on a charge of larceny of about \$500 in Salisbury and free on bond pending superior court trial, has been arrested and charged with last week's burglary of the post office located here in the shopping center.

Salisbury police, who worked in conjunction with federal postal inspectors, identified the defendant as James Paul Carter, 26, who has been residing with his sister in Cooleemee.

Carter is accused of entering

the Cooleemee post office last Thursday night or early Friday morning, and ransacking the general delivery boxes.

Stolen were a number of social security checks, a government bond and a small amount of cash. It was reported that virtually all the loot was recovered late Monday. Carter waived a preliminary hearing before U.S. Commissioner Ken-

neth J. Brooks of Salisbury and probable cause was ruled. Brooks ordered a \$2,500 bond for

Carter's release.

The burglary netted about \$500 in cash.

Carter was free on bond pending his trial in Rowan County superior court on the city burglary.

The persons who failed to receive their checks were advised to report this to the local Veteran's Administration Office for complete investigation.

The burglary occurred sometime New Year's night or early the following morning after the Post Office was closed for the night. The door to the lobby, however, remains unlocked for benefit of customers mailing letters after normal day hours.

All the stolen checks were taken from the general delivery section of the post office, plus checks at the drop box inside the post office.



The Postal Robber, apparently entered through this door at the counter after knocking out the center glass and unlocking the door. The glass was replaced early Friday morning and business resumed as usual.