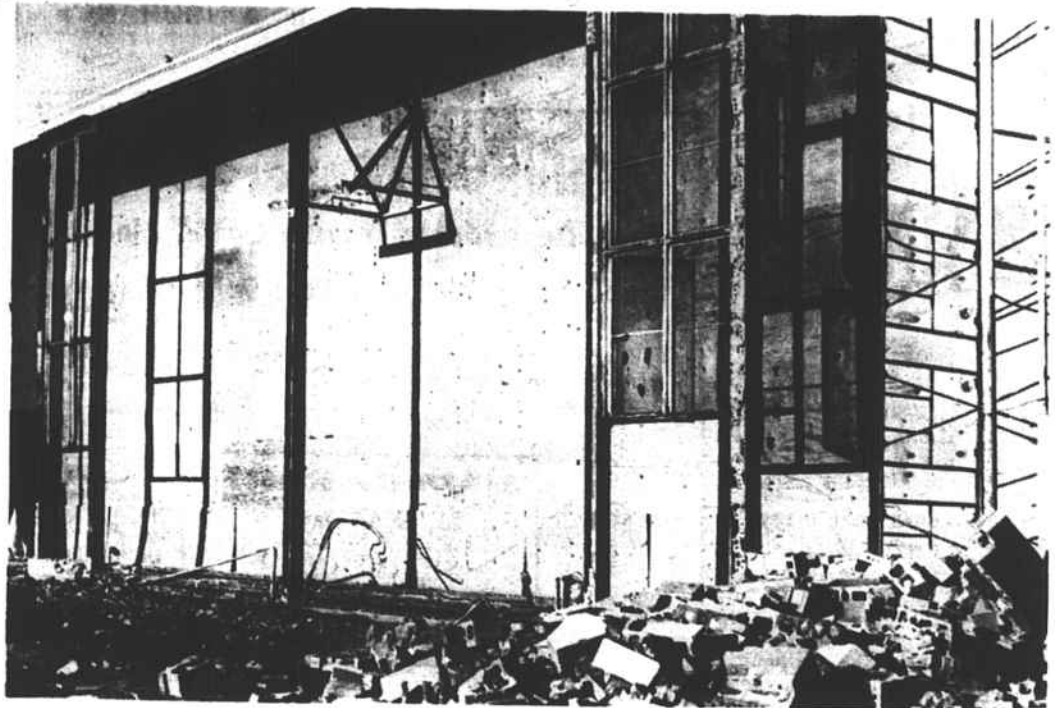




NEW CURBING - Construction of some of the roads north of Harris Avenue makes it hard to travel. The new curbing and drainage should help when it rains.



GYM EXPANSION - Construction of the new gymnasium at Hoke High gets underway. The gym will be expanded 70 feet.

Sunday School Lesson

I'm sure that Jesus found people laughing at him more than once, but Matthew records at least one occasion when Jesus was the butt of ridicule and laughter.

In Matthew 9 he is approached by an official of the synagogue to

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assertions about solving more cases.

"That's ridiculous. The record speaks for itself."

Barrington said it was not true that Lamont walked off the job Thursday morning and came back threatening to quit if Dial wasn't fired.

"Only two occasions did he go home and I don't know if he was on duty. Both times were because of Dial," the sheriff said.

"I can't understand why my firing of Dial concerns anything pertaining to Lamont. As I stated earlier, it was for conduct unbecoming an officer and failing to carry out policies and procedures. None of the reasons are racial," Barrington continued.

"He (Dial) has not made me aware of any discrimination suit. I'll cross that bridge when I come to it," he said.

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six months, suspended on condition that he not resist any officer in any size, shape, or form, and not violate any laws of the state or federal government for a period of two years, and pay \$100 and the costs of court.

Before handing down the sentence, Guy said he did not like the idea of anyone resisting an officer, and said that if Cunningham had been in Fayetteville and the same thing had happened, the police there would probably have not been so patient, and he might have been hurt worse than he was.

Guy told the courtroom he viewed Cunningham as falling in the category of the "talkative, know-it-all" kind of people.

Cunningham gave notice of appeal and his bond was continued.

come and raise his daughter who has just died. Arriving at the official's home, Jesus looks at the girl and announces that she "is not dead but sleeping" (9:24). The people found Jesus' announcement so ridiculous that they forgot the solemnity of the occasion and broke into derisive laughter.

Yet, it was Jesus who had the last laugh: "he went in and took her by the hand, and the girl arose" (9:25).

Although healing was an integral part of the mission of the early churches, the ministry of healing today is often greeted by Christians with derision and ridicule. If someone claims that his faith has made him whole, his associates are likely to regard him with good-natured amusement.

As one who has participated in the ministry of healing for more than ten years, I have encountered derision from all kinds of people, but most significantly from church people themselves.

At the same time, I have noticed a remarkable change in the attitudes of some people over the past few years. Some cynics are no longer laughing. Some, in fact, are beginning to take a new interest in the Christian concept of wholeness of mind, body and spirit.

When we study Jesus' own ministry of healing, we find a recurrent theme throughout: the active receptivity (or faith) of those who were healed. Note the affirmative conviction of the Jewish official: "...come and lay your hand on her, and she will live" (9:18). There is complete certainty in the man's

heart and mind; he does not say "perhaps it will do some good, maybe you will heal her," but "she will live!"

This is no less true of the woman suffering from a hemorrhage. Determinedly, she approaches him, saying to herself: "If only I touch his garment, I shall be made well" (9:22).

Even when the two blind men approach Jesus, it is apparent that they are convinced that he will restore their sight and when he asks, "Do you believe that I am able to do this?", their response is definitely affirmative: "Yes, Lord" (9:28).

The one thing that these people—a little girl pronounced dead, a woman with a hemorrhage for twelve years, and two blind men—have in common is their faith, their receptivity to what Jesus will give to them. Let others laugh if they want to, these people were made whole and they knew it!

New Law On PJC's Puts Lid On Repeaters

A Prayer for Judgment Continued (PJC) may no longer save your driver's license, according to Edward L. Powell, Commissioner of Motor Vehicles.

Powell announced that a new law, effective Jan. 1, 1976, provides that a third or subsequent PJC

received within a five-year period constitutes a final conviction and all PJC's must be reported by the courts to the North Carolina Division of Motor Vehicles.

The new law which applies to all Prayers for Judgment Continued in traffic cases which are entered after Jan. 1, 1976 was enacted by the 1975 General Assembly.

Commissioner Powell said, "This law can greatly aid our efforts in traffic safety. Prior to the passage of this Act, a sizeable number of drivers were avoiding convictions on their records by obtaining a PJC and thus preventing the Division of Motor Vehicles from taking any action to improve their driving habits or suspending their driver's license. This former loophole of the law (PJC) allowed certain drivers to possibly continue their bad driving habits while others who did not receive such treatment lost their licenses. This law will help to place all of our citizens under the same rules."

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