

Stonewall Report

By Mrs. James O. Miller

To all the readers of my Stonewall Report I regret my absence last week, but would like to thank my fifteen year old daughter, Cindy for "carrying on for mother". I am not sure as to the medical term of my illness last week but certainly am sure it was most uncomfortable. Cindy's little act of kindness to me though, was but one of many. She is always capable at taking over whenever the need arises, regardless of the task and is like a right arm to me. So like most mothers I plead guilty to "Excessive Pride" but nevertheless "you've earned it Cindy so thanks again, darling."

I've mentioned many times enjoying the opportunity of writing the Stonewall Report, but it appears my news is getting less thus making my effort greater in providing an interesting column, so I am not sure as to how long I will be able to continue. My husband, who is soon to embark on a private business venture says it's time for me to go to work! With him! However, I eagerly look forward to the chance of our working together. But considering a 50 hour work week and my family at home I don't know if I will be able to manage the additional 8 to 10 hrs. for the Stonewall Report without an awful lot of cooperation. Thus, if need be I will resign before changing the quality of the Stonewall Report or News Journal's contents due to fatigue or overwork.

The following news items are reported with deep sadness.

I join with the community in expressing our deepest sympathy to the family and relatives of Dennis Koonce over the loss of their loved one. Also to the family of Harvey Brock who was a member of our community for many years.

Mr. Koonce's funeral was held Sunday afternoon. His family ask that I mention how very much your prayers and acts of kindness have meant to them.

We pray that God will be with these families and comfort and care for them.

Community news during the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Randy Butler and daughters Lisa and Cristy visited Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Fail in Statesboro, Georgia last Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. John C. Garner and daughter Denise from Memphis, Tennessee spent last week visiting with her parents Mr. and Mrs. James Melton. On Friday afternoon Mrs. Garner and Denise spent some time with Mrs. Odell Miller.

Wayne Beasley and nephews Mark and Jack Beasley and Robert Bostic spent Sunday at Southport.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Hagen and son Gary from Greensboro, were guests last week of Mr. and Mrs. William Jackson and family. Gary stayed on to spend a couple weeks with Mr. and Mrs. Jackson.

Leslie Irion, Sr. has been visiting relatives in Illinois this past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Sammy Beasley and children Nelson, Sammy and Kelly from Winston-Salem spent several days with his mother Mrs. Ruby Beasley. Sammy Jr. stayed on with his grandmother for a longer visit.

The Ephesus youth group enjoyed a day of fun in the sun with a picnic and swimming on Tuesday of last week. They held their regular meeting on Sunday night with approximately 15 members attending.

A warm welcome is extended to Mr. and Mrs. Sherwood Todd new residents of Stonewall Community. Mr. and Mrs. Toldd had been residing in Red Springs.

Mr. and Mrs. Luther Jackson accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Coy Jackson from Mooresville returned home recently having had an enjoyable time vacationing in N.C.

and Tenn. mountains and enjoying some sun at Carolina Beach. Some of the points of interest they saw were Gatlinburg, Cherokee, Maggie Valley and Biltmore Estates.

Mr. and Mrs. C.L. Ellis and son Lynn and Joe Stevens spent last Thursday and Friday fishing at Southport. Lynn reported they caught approximately 200 fish and ask that I be sure to mention he caught the biggest one!

Mr. and Mrs. Armond Black and grandchildren Brenda Black and Tina Woodcox enjoyed several days last week vacationing and as the little ones say "having a ball" in Ghost Town at Maggie Valley. On Friday they were joined by another grandchild Cheryl Black for a day of fun in the sun at Myrtle Beach.

The McKenzie family attended the big Gospel Concert July 2nd at Cumberland Memorial Auditorium in Fayetteville.

Mr. and Mrs. Gary Porter and children of Fayetteville and Jamie Posey spent last week at White Lake. They visited with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Luther Jackson as they were returning home on Monday night.

Mr. and Mrs. George Stone, Jr. and children George, Shelly and Shannon from Kinston were weekend guests of her parents Mr. and Mrs. Jannette Jackson and his parents Mr. and Mrs. George Stone Sr. of Southern Pines.

Mrs. Mary Gilliam from Lexington, Miss. and Mrs. Sonia Truitt and son Hal from Columbus, Mississippi spent several days last week visiting relatives in the community. Mary, Sonia, Hal and Ada Bailey spent Friday with Mr. and Mrs. L.M. Chason and Tom. Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Glisson from Hendersonville, Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm Glisson from Black Mountain, Milton Glisson and son Brad from Danville, Va. also visited relatives in the area over the weekend and on Sunday all attended the Chason Reunion at Cumberland Memorial Park. Mrs. Mary Gilliam and Mrs. Lawrence Glisson are sisters of Mrs. Lonnie Chason.

Austin Butler was honored Sunday with a small dinner party celebrating his 86th birthday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Ratley.

On Sunday night Mrs. Clifton McKenzie and Glenda attended the Gospel Concert of the Pioneers at the First Baptist Church.

Mr. and Mrs. James C. Miller attended the Plummer Family Reunion at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Miller on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. W.B. Lunsford and nephew Greg Jackson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Neil A. Jackson returned home Thursday after having spent three weeks vacationing and visiting with M/Sgt and Mrs. C.W. Lunsford and family at Laken Heathen AFB in England. They visited many interesting sights and enjoyed various

Eastern Star Holds Dinner

Members of the Raeford Chapter No. 226, Order of the Eastern Star, met for dinner at the Pig and Chicken Restaurant prior to their regular Monday night meeting.

District Deputy Grand Matron Wandra Raynor and District Deputy Grand Patron Thomas Ralph made their official inspection of the chapter.

A total of 52 guests from Hope Mills, Red Springs, Lumberton, Spring Lake, Angier, Great Bend, Kan., Erwin, Fayetteville and Cozelle, S.C., were welcomed by Worth Matron Blanche Hedgpeth.

Refreshments were served in the social room of the Masonic Temple.

points of interest while abroad. It seems while we were celebrating our Bicentennial July 4th 200 birthday here in America, these "lucky ones" were celebrating it also in our wonderful Mother Country of England. The fireworks there, were reported as every bit as marvelous as our news media stated. I'm sure it must have been a memorable experience celebrating that once in our lifetime birthday of our great country in the equally great country that gave birth to "America".

On Friday Greg flew to Mobile, Alabama to join his parents Mr. and Mrs. Neil A. Jackson and Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Davis, who were visiting L.C.D.R. Ernest L. Davis who is stationed with the Navy in Pascagoula, Mississippi. They were there as invited guests at the Commissioning of the U.S.S. Kin Kaid on July 10th, and reported enjoying tremendously the reception and guided tour of the ship following the Commissioning ceremony.

While in Mississippi they all enjoyed the historical tour of Vicksburg and Natchez, and also were delighted with a visit to Dauphin Island, Alabama. Neil A. and Ernest enjoyed fishing in the Gulf. They reported fishing was good but that they did leave all the big ones for future tourists! (Note: They didn't say the big ones got away just that they left them!)

It all sounded fantastic and I'm sure everyone had a marvelous time! Nevertheless glad to see all of you back in Stonewall Country and as for Greg, why he's almost a foreigner now, he's been gone so long!

"Congratulations and Very Best Wishes" are extended to three couples in our community recently celebrating anniversaries.

Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Bostic 18th wedding anniversary on the 6th of July.

Mr. and Mrs. James C. Miller 8th anniversary on 7th of July.

Mr. and Mrs. Coy Jackson, Jr. anniversary on 11th of July.

"Happy Birthday Wishes" are extended to:

Mrs. Ada Jackson on July 11th.

Mr. Austin Butler 86 on July 11th.

Rev. Willard Singletary on July 11th.

Mrs. Barbara Jones on July 12th.

Mrs. Estalene Irion on July 13th.

Mrs. Josephine Black on July 13.

To Me: (Hint husband) on July 17.

Mrs. Evelyn Bristow on July 19.

Belated Happy Birthday to Mrs. Gail Jackson on July 2nd.

"Many happy returns to each of our celebrants."

Teresa McKenzie and the girls from The Country Shed in Lumber Bridge are spending a few days at Myrtle Beach this week.

As our paper goes to press it has been learned that Mrs. Agnes Miller had surgery at Duke Hospital on Monday of this week. We wish for her a speedy recovery.

Take care everyone and have a nice week!



MARIJUANA HARVEST -- County ABC officer J.K. Riley displays 203 marijuana plants he discovered growing in a field near the West Hoke community last week. Whoever planted the garden had a surprise coming, as Riley left nothing to harvest.

Coker 201 Leads Planting

The leading variety of cotton planted in North Carolina for the 1976-77 season is COKER 310, accounting for 53 per cent of the planted acreage, according to the Agricultural Marketing Service. This is an increase of seven per cent over the previous season for this variety. The second leading variety is COKER 201, representing 30 per cent of the acreage, followed by MCNAIR 612 with 15 per cent. Other varieties accounted for approximately two per cent.

Cotton farmers increased planted acreage 25 per cent over the record low acreage of last season. Estimates by the Crop Reporting Board of USDA indicate 70,000 acres planted for the current season, compared with 56,000 acres in 1975. Nationwide farmers planted 11.7 million acres this season, an increase of 23 per cent over last year.

The variety information was collected and published by the Cotton Division, Agricultural Marketing Service of USDA, with the

cooperation of ginners, seed dealers and county extension chairmen.



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How to fight the high cost of keeping cool.

Most people seem to think a comfortable home means an uncomfortable energy bill. But, when you follow these tips, it doesn't really have to be that way.

- 1 Set your thermostat at the highest possible setting that's comfortable for you. A setting of 78° can save you about 20% over a setting of 72°.
- 2 A hot attic will cause your air conditioner to work harder. Be sure that your attic is ventilated and insulated properly.

A power ventilator can mean a 16% savings every year in cooling costs. A wind-driven ventilator can save 10%. Insulation should be at least 6" thick (R-19) on the attic floor.

- 3 Check the insulation and weather stripping around your home. They can make a big difference in your cooling (and heating) costs.
- 4 Dirty filters in a cooling system cost money. They can easily add as much as 20% to your cooling costs. So clean the dirty ones, and replace the worn-out ones. It's important to check them at least once a month.

- 5 The less heat entering your home, the cooler it stays. Storm windows can save 10% on your cooling bill. If you add storm doors, the savings goes to 12%. In rooms that are exposed to direct sunlight, keep your curtains and draperies closed.
- 6 Don't buy the wrong air conditioner for your home. Ask your dealer to help you with the "EER" (Energy Efficiency Rating).
- 7 Get our free 24-page booklet, "How to Save on Your Electric Bill," and a list of other available literature, at any CP&L office.



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