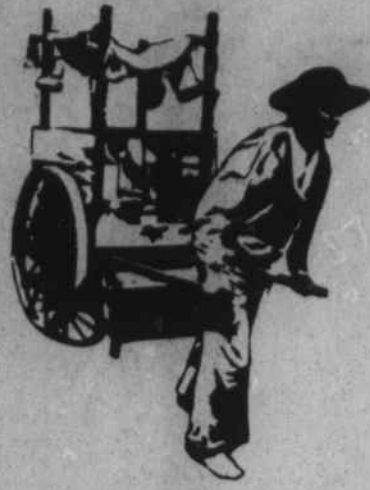


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Break-ins Checked

During the week of July 17-23, the Duplin County Sheriff's Department investigated a larceny at the Emmitt Jackson residence, Route 1, Faison. A tool box and tools valued at \$200 were reported missing. Deputy Glenn Jernigan was the investigating officer.

A breaking, entering and larceny was reported by the N.N. Ellis Produce Co., Inc. of Faison. An eight-track, AM/FM radio and a 22 magnum pistol valued at \$160 were reported missing. Deputy Glenn Jernigan investigated.

An assault with a deadly weapon was reported by Ronnie Lofton of Seven Springs. Lofton was cut on the arm with a hawk-bill knife and a warrant was issued for Matthew Moses, Kenneth Savage was the officer in charge.

A breaking, entering and larceny was reported by John Best of Route 5, Mount Olive. According to the report, a Ruger 22 magnum pistol, valued at \$109, was reported missing. Dalton Jones was the investigating officer.

A larceny was reported by Buck Hill of Route 1, Mount Olive. Hill reported two batteries were taken from a tobacco harvester, and they were valued at \$80. Dalton Jones was the investigating officer.

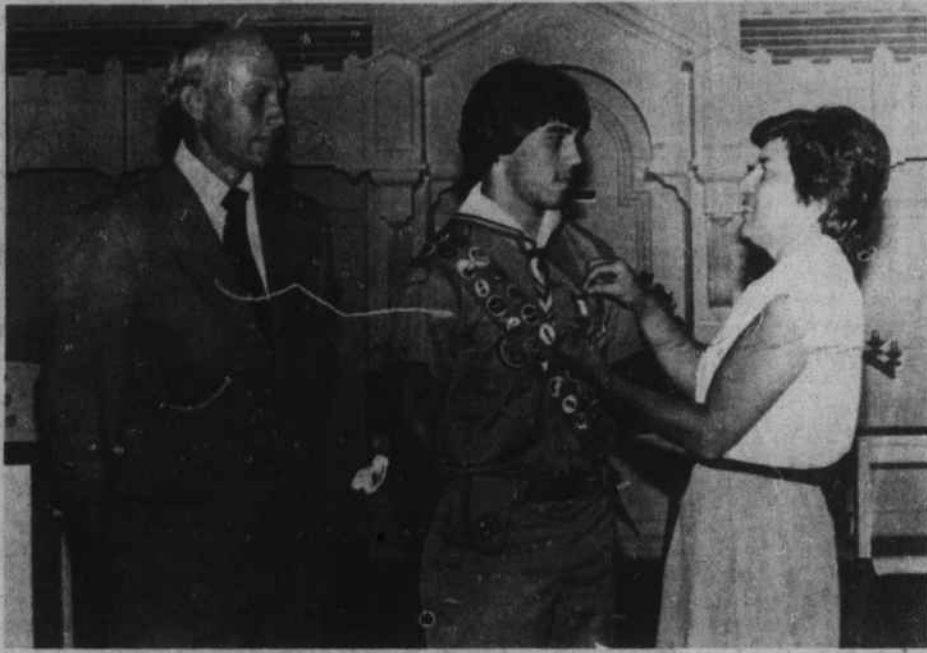
Swain Awarded Scholarship



Greg Swain, of Route 2, Warsaw, will receive the William H. Danforth Scholarship to attend Camp Miniwanca in Western Michigan August 6-18. The announcement was made by Dr. Thearon McKinney, 4-H specialist at North Carolina State University.

The Danforth Scholarship, valued at \$650, is provided by the Ralston Purina Company. The North Carolina 4-H Development Fund will award Swain \$150 for transportation.

Swain, 18-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Swain, was selected on the basis of athletic activities, scholastic standing, leadership in 4-H work, and character.



EAGLE BADGE PINNED - Eagle candidate Ike F. Riddick, Jr. receives the Eagle badge from his mother as his father looks on. The

Eagle service was held Sunday, July 22, 1979. Ike is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ike Riddick and a member of Troop 20, Warsaw.

Ike Riddick Receives Eagle Scout Award

Ike Freeman Riddick, Jr. received his Eagle Scout award during the morning church service Sunday, July 22, 1979 at the Warsaw United Methodist Church. Ike, 18, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ike F. Riddick. He is a member of Troop 20 in Warsaw.

Ike has earned 39 merit badges and completed a special community service project in order to become an Eagle Scout.

Ed Holt, Troop Commissioner was master of ceremonies. Scout Norwood West served as Honor Guard and led the congregation in the pledge of allegiance. Scout Mitchell Kernstine carried the American Flag, and Scout Jimmy Dixon carried the Christian Flag.

District Commissioner Bill Faust gave the Eagle Trail. He reviewed all the steps a dedicated Scout takes as he earns his Eagle.

Eagle Scouts Art Kernstine and Doug West escorted the Eagle candidate to the front. Scoutmaster Van Kernstine read a letter from the Chief Scout Executive congratulating Ike on achieving the rank only one Scout in one hundred ever attains.

After the reading of the letter, Ike rededicated his life to Scouting by repeating the Scout oath.

The parents of the candidate were escorted to the front where they joined their son. Ike presented Eagle tokens to his parents. Former Scoutmaster Bill Faust presented the candidate's mother with the Eagle badge to pin on the candidate. Carl Rice, District Executive, gave the charge to the Eagle.

The Eagle certificate was presented to Ike by Judge Henry L. Stevens, III. Judge Stevens reminded Ike that once a young man earns his Eagle, he remains an Eagle all his life with all the honor and responsibility that the rank implies. The Judge was the first Scout from Troop 20

to earn the Eagle rank, and the only Scout to receive the Silver Palm.

District Scout Executive Carl Rice presided over the signing of Ike's name in the Eagle Book of Honor, and recognized all Eagle Scouts at the service.

Special patriotic music was presented by Mrs. John Weatherly.

Ike joined the Cub Scouts at the age of nine and he received the Order of the Arrow, the highest award presented to a Webelo Scout.

He attended Boy Scout

Highway Patrol Graduates King

Thirty-nine State Highway Patrol cadets graduated from the 65th Highway Patrol Basic School Friday, July 20, and will report to their new duty stations on Monday, July 30. Graduation exercises were held at the training center in Raleigh.

Randy G. King of Mount Olive, a member of the graduating class, has been assigned to the patrol station at Fayetteville.

The basic school began on March 31 at the training center in Raleigh. The 16-week course provided some 700 hours of instruction in motor vehicle, criminal and constitutional law and a variety of topics related to law enforcement. Graduates also receive training in firearms and precision driving.

King graduated from North Duplin High School. He was formerly engaged in farming and also general manager of a clothing store.

camp for three summers. In 1976 he was among the Boy Scouts to complete the 100-mile hike to Halifax in celebration of the nation's Bicentennial.

Ike is interested in sports. He played football, basketball and baseball at Warsaw Junior High School. At James Kenan he was a member of the junior varsity basketball and football teams and played varsity baseball his sophomore year. He was on the tennis team his junior and senior years, and was named co-most valuable player for 1978-79. He attended Campbell University, East Carolina University, and University of North Carolina basketball camps during the summers of 1970-1975.

He was a member of the Junior Beta Club at Warsaw Junior High.

Having graduated from James Kenan High School in June, he plans to attend East Carolina University this fall.

State Rejects Duplin Medicaid Budget

The N.C. Department of Human Resources has rejected Duplin County's 1979-80 Medicaid budget as too low, the Board of Commissioners reported at its meeting Monday.

The State had earlier recommended the county appropriate \$261,267 as the county's share of Medicaid costs. The Board budgeted \$160,692, a 10% increase over the 1978-79 figure.

Because of a change in state regulations, approved by the General Assembly in June 1978, the county share of the total Medicaid payment was increased. The counties had at that time established their 1978-79 budgets and many counties ran short of Medicaid money before the fiscal year ended

Service For The Aged Program Denied Free Lunches In Schools

By a 3-1 vote, the Board of Education rejected a request to allow senior citizens to buy school lunches in communities lacking meals-for-the-elderly programs.

Where the meals programs are conducted, the recipients do not have to pay. However, if the senior citizens had been allowed to buy school lunches, they would have had to pay \$1.25 for each lunch.

The request came from Walter Brown, director of the Services for the Aged program. He asked for the lunch program for Beaufaville, Charity and Chinquapin, where the meals-for-the-elderly program does not operate.

Board member Graham Phillips moved to reject the request, following a comment from board member Dr. E. B. Boyette that he believed the school facilities should be used only for educational purposes. He

also said he didn't believe the meals program was doing any good. Voting against the proposal were Phillips, Boyette, and Frederick Rhodes. Patricia Broadrick voted for it.

The Board approved an increase of 5 cents for each meal served and an increase in salaries of lunchroom employees to place them on state salary schedule.

The increase in meal prices will bring in \$30,000 a year, according to Shelby Kilpatrick, food services supervisor.

The new fee schedule will be 25 cents for breakfast, 55 cents for elementary school lunch, and 60 cents for lunch

in the junior and senior high schools. The system serves an average of 7,200 lunches per day.

The salary increase will cost \$37,000 a year. The system has about 100 school lunchroom employees. The additional \$7,000 will come from fund balances, Mrs. Kilpatrick said.

Mrs. Broadrick and Dr. Boyette said they had heard some children had been held back from their lunch period until they completed some school work and that this imposed a hardship on the students. The Board voted to have Superintendent

Yelverton look into the matter and put a stop to it in the coming school year.

The Board also voted to remove several fees in the wake of several court rulings against the fees. Removed were charges of a \$2 senior high school library fee, a \$1 junior high and elementary grade fee, a \$2 fee for instructional supply, a \$3 fee for vocational courses, and a \$5 bookkeeping fee.

Student insurance, which cost \$7 last year, will cost \$7.50 this year.

The Board rehired Hubert Phillips of Kenansville as the school attorney at \$150 per month.

Scholarship Awarded

Three Duplin County high school students have been awarded four-year scholarships by the N.C. Department of Administration, Division of Veterans Affairs.

Deidra Coleen Hill, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Willie S. Hill of Faison, Gloria Jean Howard of Beaufaville, daughter of the late Maurice L. Howard, and Jennifer Lynn Miller of Beaufaville, daughter of the late Milton S. Miller, are among 100 state-wide scholarship winners for children of deceased or disabled veterans.

The scholarships include tuition, board allowance, room allowance, and exemption from certain mandatory fees.

James Sprunt Receives HEW Findings

Dr. Carl Price, president of James Sprunt Institute, has announced that the school has received a report of the civil rights audit conducted by the Office for Civil Rights, Department of Health, Education, and Welfare. A team of three visited JSI during the week of May 14-18. Their visit was in response to a complaint that the school was in non-compliance of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964.

In a letter to Dr. Price from Dr. John E. Tolbert, deputy director, Dr. Tolbert was complimentary of the institution and staff for the cooperation extended to the team during their on-campus visit.

The statement of their findings indicate that JSI was in compliance in regards to the issues of discrimination in pay, promotions, and working conditions on the basis of race and sex. During

their visit the team reviewed a preliminary draft of a proposed salary plan for JSI and have asked to review the final plan, which was formally adopted by the Board of Trustees July 19.

The findings did indicate, however, that the institution would be required to more actively recruit qualified black applicants for faculty openings and to review the method by which students receiving financial aid under a work-study program are assigned to various jobs, with emphasis on increasing the number of white students assigned to work in the area of institutional maintenance.

Dr. Price stated that the office for Civil Rights has designated a 45-day negotiation period during which the school will have to develop a plan for more actively recruiting qualified

black applicants and reviewing student work-study assignments. This plan will be designed to assure that the institution is in compliance with these sections of OCR regulations.

According to Price, JSI developed and formally adopted an affirmative action plan 13 months ago that was designed to recruit and employ qualified black applicants for openings that might occur at all levels of the institution. While progress has been made over this period, the process has not been in effect long enough to make a significant impact on the number of black faculty currently employed by JSI.

President Price further states that the Board of Trustees and the administration are confident that an acceptable plan can be worked out with the OCR within the next 45 days.

Chairman W.J. Costin said the "question of county Medicaid budgets will be taken up at the state conference of county commissioners Aug. 16 in Raleigh."

The Board responded by calling for a meeting with officials of the department and State Senator Harold Hardison of Deep Run and State Representative Doug Clark of Kenansville.

In other action, Clerk of Court John A. Johnson asked the Board to put the voter registration list on the computer, along with the tax list, so that a jury panel could be taken from it in a fairer fashion than at present. Cost would be about \$2,500. Action was tabled until the first August meeting of the Board.

Commissioner Calvin Turner made a motion to allow Oak Wolf Fire Department to hold an election for a fire tax levy in that service area. The motion died for lack of a second; however, they can circulate a petition and have it certified by the Board of Elections.

The Board concluded its delayed meeting with a tour of agricultural problem areas in the northern area of the county. The meeting had been delayed a week due to the absence of several commissioners last week.

The new seven-member agricultural advisory board was invited to accompany the commissioners on their tour Monday. Members of

the new board include Jimmy Sauls and Gerald Quinn of Warsaw, Fred Albertson of Beaufaville, Willard Westbrook of Albertson, Mrs. Winnifred T. Wells of Wallace, Violet Phillips of Kenansville, and R.E. Wilkins of Warsaw.

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