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Local Woman's Untimely Death Saddens Town

Mrs. Jeanette Penland Bailey, 49, of Burnsville, died Monday morning in a local hospital after a brief illness.

Surviving are the husband, Bill Bailey; two sons, Alan and Jeff Bailey, both of the home; three sisters, Mrs. Latt Fox, Mrs. Sol Harris and Mrs. Vernie Wilson, and a brother, Max Penland, all of Burnsville.

Services were held at 2 p. m. Tuesday in Burnsville First Baptist Church. The Rev. Harold McDonald, the Rev. J. M. G. Warner and the Rev. Don Elly officiated. Burial was in Carroway Cemetery.

Pallbearers were Jerry Clevenger, Ed Gardner, Charles Harris, Sidney Bailey Jr., Dwane Penland, Lee Yelton, Edgar Hunter and James Byrd.

Mrs. Bailey attended Asheville Normal College, a teacher training school, and graduated from Western Carolina College. She began her teaching career in the Yancey County schools where she taught for a period of 15 years.

She was quite active in church affairs serving as a Sunday School teacher for approximately 18 years, helping in the nursery and a choir member for many years.

Mrs. Bailey was the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Penland and was married to Bill Bailey, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Bailey of Burnsville.

Memoria' gifts may be made to the building fund of First Baptist Church, which she attended and served for many years.

NC Commissioner Opposes Gov Tobacco Ad Censorship

Statement by James A. Graham, Commissioner, North Carolina Department of Agriculture, April 24, 1969.

Appearing before Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce -- House of Representatives in Opposition to H.R. 1237-- to Prohibit Certain Cigarette Advertising

Mr. Chairman, I am James A. Graham, Commissioner of Agriculture of the number one tobacco-producing state in this nation. I am, also, president of the Southern Association of State Departments of Agriculture, which includes fourteen southern states, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands. In this area are located the major tobacco-producing states of the United States.

It is because of the import-

ance of tobacco to the overall economy of my state as well as many of the other states, and the lack of conclusive medical and biological evidence to justify such strong punitive measures against tobacco as proposed in legislation now before this Congress, that I appear before this honorable group to register my firm opposition to H.R. 1237 and other similar bills that would prohibit or restrict cigarette advertising and further harass tobacco.

Gentlemen, tobacco is a crop grown legally in Puerto Rico and twenty-one states of the United States as follows: North Carolina, Virginia, South Carolina, Georgia, Florida, Kentucky, Tennessee, West Virginia, Maryland, Pennsylvania, Connecticut, Massachusetts, Ohio, Indiana,

Wisconsin, Missouri, Kansas, Minnesota, Louisiana, Alabama, and New York. Tobacco is processed and manufactured legally in more than a dozen states. Tobacco products are sold legally in every state in this nation. Tobacco and tobacco products enter legally into world trade where they contribute almost \$700 million annually to the balance-of-payments in international trade. Last year more than 200 million pounds of unmanufactured tobacco was exported through North Carolina ports alone.

There are those today who would destroy this legally grown U. S. crop and the farm programs under which it is produced because of the erroneous belief that the support program is a liability to taxpayers. It should be pointed out that to-

bacco is not only self-supporting, but that it provides more than three times the amount of revenue needed to finance all of the farm commodity program, through the more than \$2 billion collected annually by the Federal Treasury from excise tax on cigarettes and other tobacco products. It is significant to note that the entire tobacco program has cost only about \$40 million since its beginning in the mid 30's, while revenues collected from tobacco products by the Federal Government during this period amounted to some \$52 billion.

Since tobacco is a legal, self-supporting agricultural commodity, this entitles cigarettes and other tobacco products to be advertised legally through any medium -- radio, television, newspaper, magazines, or by other means -- without Federal agency censorship. The proposed legislation now before this committee would make tobacco the first legal farm commodity to be given such restrictions.

If any government agency can set up such rules and regulations as now proposed by some agencies for a single farm commodity, it is logical to assume that other farm items also could be regulated -- all under the guise of health. Once the precedent is set, there may be no end to regulations and restrictions on other farm commodities and consumer goods. For example: beef, pork, eggs, milk, and butter could be restricted because of too much cholesterol and fats. Peanuts could be restricted because of their abundance of fatty oils. Automobiles and trucks could also be restricted because of air pollution, and the list could go on and on.

Gentlemen, tobacco is already sorely beset and harassed by many foes and now some Federal agencies would presume to take over authority and prerogatives that the U. S. Constitution gives only to the Congress. Therefore, I urge that this committee of Congress give H.R. 1237 and other similar bills an unfavorable report.

At the same time, I urge that this August committee give favorable consideration to H.R. 6543, or similar bills that would extend indefinitely the provisions of the existing Federal Cigarette Labeling and Advertising Act, which is scheduled to expire on July 1, 1969.

Thank you, gentlemen, and let me say again that I appreciate this opportunity to record my grave concern relative to these major problems facing tobacco today.

The First Baptist Church's New Organ Narrowly Escapes Inferno In Asheville

Members of the First Baptist Church in Burnsville will have more to be thankful for than they perhaps realize at the dedication of their new church building. Along with expenditures for building the beautiful new sanctuary and educational building on the town square, the church had purchased a new organ, custom-built and costing about \$12,000, from the Dunham's Music House in Asheville.

As most people have already heard, the most expensive fire in Asheville's history raged Tuesday in the heart of downtown Asheville, destroying two buildings and injuring six peo-

ple. One of the buildings which was destroyed was Dunham's Music House.

According to information received, the \$12,000 organ left the store less than one hour before the store was burned to the ground. It was still en route at the time the \$2,000,000 conflagration was raging in Asheville.

Shaw Announces His Candidacy For Burnsville City Councilman

Cecil Shaw announces he is a candidate running for City Councilman with 6 years past experience in City government. He is now employed by Roberts Chevrolet-Buick and is married to Nancy Shaw who is presently employed as a registered nurse at Yancey Hospital.

Mr. Shaw is an active member of Higgins Memorial United Methodist Church and a 32nd degree Mason.

Shaw attended Hardbargar Business College, Raleigh, N. C. and has worked 15 years with National Trailway Bus system, held the position of sales supervisor and has worked 2 years as a sales representative with Storr Sales Co. Raleigh.

Mr. Shaw has been interested and active in several of the civic clubs of Yancey County and knows and understands the urgent needs of the County. "If elected I will try to carry out

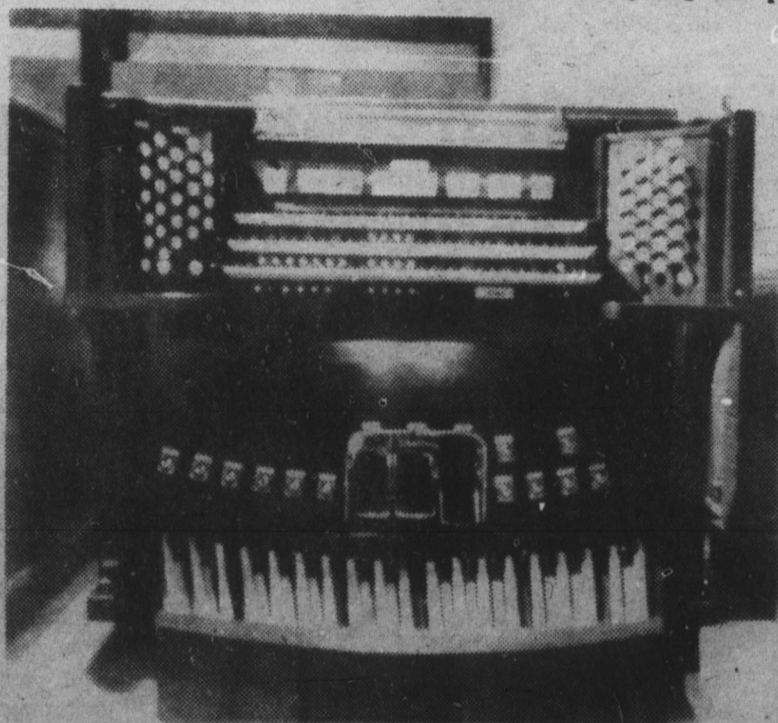
Reverend Harold McDonald, minister of the First Baptist Church in Burnsville, expressed his pleasure that the new church building has its organ in time for the dedication and first worship service to be held there May 4.

As one church-goer expressed the feeling--"it proves we're on the right side, doesn't it?"



Cecil Shaw

the bigger projects now in progress and set in operation some of the smaller ones which the town really needs."



New Organ For First Baptist Church