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First Snow Fall Of Year



The First snow fall of the year, closed the schools in Perquimans County and gave the three young men a chance to try out their sleds and also to see what the white

stuff taste like. Pictured are: Matt Matthews, Emmett Winslow and Zeb Dancker.

Local Student Will Be Interviewed For Morehead Award

George Bradley Fields, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Fields of Hertford, is one of twenty-one high school senior men from 17 counties in this area who will be interviewed in Williamston on Monday, January 15, by the District 1 Morehead Selection Committee.

Interviews will be held at the Town and Country Restaurant. Lorimer Midgett of Elizabeth City is chairman of the District 1 Committee. Members are Ralph L. Basnight of Ahoskie; Louis Stuart Ficklen of Greenville; Thomas W. Hicks of Rocky Mount; and Francis P. Jenkins of Tarboro.

District 1 is composed of Beaufort, Bertie, Camden, Chowan, Currituck, Dare, Edgecombe, Gates, Halifax, Hertford, Hyde, Martin, Nash, Northampton, Pasquotank, Perquimans, Pitt, Tyrrell and Washington counties.

Six finalists will be chosen from District 1 to appear in Chapel Hill March 2-5 for interviews with the central Morehead Selection Committee.

Each of the state's 10 Morehead Awards district committees will select six finalists to be interviewed in Chapel Hill along with 52 nominees from 26 private preparatory schools.

The Morehead Foundation's

Perq. Commissioners Approve Bond Issue

The Board of Perquimans County Commissioners voted Tuesday at their monthly meeting to sell Bonds in the amount of \$26,000.00. The money will be used for the Chowan-Perquimans Sanitary Landfill Project, located in Chowan County.

The Board, also, voted to appropriate \$275.00 to the Program for the Aged, sponsored by the Albemarle Regional Planning and Development Commission.

Directors To Meet

The regular monthly meeting of the Perquimans County Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors will be held Monday night at 8 p.m. in the Municipal Building.

The meeting should be brief and all board members are urged to attend.

Board of Trustees makes the final selection of winners. Hugh G. Chatham of Elkin is chairman. Members are Alan T. Dickson of Charlotte; Frank Borden Hanes of Winston-Salem; Richard T. Chatham Jr. of Elkin; and Dr. Robert Cluett of York University in Toronto, Canada.

Morehead Awards provide all-expense paid undergraduate educations at the University of North Carolina in Chapel Hill. With the increase in tuition and other education expenses, the Morehead Foundation Trustees have increased the value of the award to \$2,250 per year, making the four-year award for N.C. residents \$9,000.

The Awards were established in 1951 by the late John Motley Morehead, a UNC graduate and native North Carolinian. He resided in Rye, N.Y., until his death in 1965.

Man Charged With Possession Of Heroin

A 22-year old man was arrested last Thursday by FBI agents and charged with possession of heroin and narcotic implements.

Arrested at his two-story frame dwelling at 329 King St. here was James Everett. The street value of the dope was valued at \$1,000, according to officers.

Investigators discovered not only heroin but a syringe, cooker and needles.

Assisting in the arrest were county and town officials.

Everett is in the Albemarle District Jail under a \$12,000 bond.

Thomas F. Jordan Dies In Portsmouth, Va.

Thomas Franklin Jordan, 61, died Monday at 2:00 in the Portsmouth General Hospital following a long illness. A former resident of Hertford, he lived at 575 Freedom Avenue in Portsmouth.

His parents were the late James T. and Mrs. Ollie Byrum Jordan.

He was a member of the Academy Park Baptist Church where he was a deacon and prior to his retirement, he did bridge construction work.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Delma Hare Jordan; two daughters, Mrs. Frankie Mae Jones of Portsmouth and Miss Margaret A. Jordan of Denver, Colorado; a son, Thomas A. Jordan of Portsmouth; a brother, J. Gurney Jordan of Chesapeake, Va.; three sisters, Mrs. Cornelia A. Spivey and Mrs. Lillie Mae Lane of Route 1, Hertford and Mrs. Ethel J. Collins of Titusville, Florida; and four grandchildren.

Funeral services will be Thursday at 11 a.m. in the Academy Park Baptist Church in Portsmouth, Va. Burial will be in Beaver Hill Cemetery.

The body was removed to Snellings Funeral Home in Portsmouth pending completion of funeral arrangements.

Estimated Income Tax Deadline For Farmers

Farmers who earned at least two-thirds of their 1972 gross income from farming should file their 1972 declaration of estimated Federal individual income tax and pay the tax by Monday, January 15, 1973, using Form 1040 ES.

However, farmers do not have to file a declaration if they file their 1972 tax return and pay all the tax due by March 1, 1973.

Publication 505, "Tax Withholding and Declaration of Estimated Tax," furnishes information on this subject. It is available free at your IRS district office.

Fishermen who expect to receive at least two-thirds of their gross income from fishing follow the same rules as farmers.

Telephone Companies Elect New Officers



L.S. BLADES III



L.S. BLADES, JR.



C.O. ROBINSON, JR.



W.H. OAKLEY, JR.



W.W. FOREMAN

The Norfolk & Carolina Telephone & Telegraph Company (N.C. Co.) directors, in their December meeting, elected L. S. Blades, III, president; and they and the directors of The Norfolk & Carolina Telephone & Telegraph Co. of Va. (Va. Co.) elected W. W. Foreman, C. O. Robinson, Jr., and W. H. Oakley, Jr., as vice-presidents, all to be effective January 1. L. S. Blades, Jr., will remain chairman of the board of both companies and president of the Va. Co., and C. C. Blades vice-president, Mamie S. Blades, secretary and treasurer, and W. C. Meekins, Jr., assistant secretary and assistant treasurer of both companies.

The companies, headquartered in Elizabeth City, N.C., now serve over 30,000 telephones in eight northeastern North Carolina counties and over 10,000 telephones in Chesapeake and Virginia Beach, Virginia.

The new president of the North Carolina Co., age 39, received his AB from Duke University and LL.B. degree from University of North Carolina - Chapel Hill School of Law, passing the bar in 1958. After practicing law for four years with his father, they both joined the telephone companies full time in 1962, the younger Blades as general counsel, later to become vice-president. He remains vice-president of the Va. Co., director of First Union National Bank (Elizabeth City), director of North Carolina Independent Telephone Association (NCITA), member of American and North Carolina bar associations, and is an elder-elect of Cann Memorial Presbyterian Church. He is past chairman of trustees of the Albemarle Hospital, and is a Rotarian and past Jaycee. He is married to the former Nancy Caldwell of Wadeville, N.C., and is father of two sons, Showell, IV, twelve, and Walter C., nine.

L. S. Blades, Jr., 68, president and chairman of the board of both companies since 1940, has helped guide the companies from less than 5,000 stations to their present aggregate of 40,000. Their plant in service has grown from less than \$500,000 to in excess of \$20,000,000, and five exchanges

BUYING FOOD

Food is big business in the U. S. In 1970, the expenditure for food was \$114 billion. Even at this impressive figure, the food expenditure represented only 17 percent of consumer disposable income.

have grown to nineteen. He attended Duke University and its law school, passed the bar in 1929, and practiced law in Elizabeth City for 34 years. He is a director for both telephone companies, director emeritus of First Union National Bank (Elizabeth City), president of Pasquotank Historical Society, and elder of Cann Memorial Presbyterian Church. He has served as president of Apex Chemical Company, NCITA, Elizabeth City mayor, recorder's court judge, Rotary

president, county Democratic Party chairman, past president Coastal Historylands, is a Mason, Shriner, and Elk, and has served on numerous other boards and commissions. He is married to the former Eliza Laughinghouse and has two children.

W. W. Foreman, 55, attended Duke University, graduated from Poughkeepsie Business Institute, served in the Coast Guard in World War II, is now a tree farmer and dealer in timber products. He is a director for both telephone companies, First Union National Bank (Elizabeth City), Southern Loan & Insurance Company, and Atlantic Discount Corporation. He is chairman of the Redevelopment Commission and past president of Foreman Dairies Company, United Fund, Rotary, Golf Club, and Boys Club, and is a past Jaycee DSA recipient. He is an active Methodist. Governor Scott recently appointed him on the Edenton Historical Commission. He is married to the former Dorothy Thurman, and has three children.

C. O. Robinson, Jr., 58, attended Clemson University, graduated from Goldey

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Young Couple Found Dead In Automobile

According to Perquimans County Sheriff Julian Broughton, James Randolph Spencer, 24, and Mona Sutton, 18, had been dead from carbon monoxide poisoning since around 4 a.m. Saturday.

He reported that the car was first seen at about 6:30 a.m. and he was called to investigate at 6 p.m. when a local resident noticed that the car had remained in the same position for 12 hours.

When he arrived, Broughton found the couple dead. The vehicle's ignition was on and the gas tank was empty when the Sheriff arrived. Broughton said he does not suspect foul play.

The Pasquotank County Medical Examiner is expected to release a ruling on the deaths this week.

Library News

The Perquimans County Library has recently received four books in memory of Myrta White Winslow. These are: Personal Gardening; American Silver; Indoor Plants; and Art Deco, a guide for collectors. The National Geographic book of The Vikings has been given in memory of Watson Winslow.

Another gift to the library is a Family History of the Wright-Lewis-Moore and Connected Families, by John Wright Boyd. Other new books this week are: Fire in the Lake, the Vietnamese and Americans in Vietnam, by Frances Fitzgerald; Semi-tough, by Jenkins; The Revi Lancers, by Masters; The Camerons, by Criehton; The Betty Tree, by Ryan; Green Darkness, by Seton; The Summer Queen, by Graham; The Crystal Mouse, by Deal; and Stormtide, by Knox.

Emergency Loans Discontinued

The Farmers Home Administration in North Carolina has been officially advised to cease receiving Emergency loan applications and to discontinue processing Emergency loan applications on hand.

This action applies to counties in North Carolina previously designated by the Secretary of Agriculture.

All counties in the Albemarle Area are affected for subsequent loans in these counties to farmers who received loans in 1971 as a result of Hurricane Ginger.

Two new biographies for young people, David Sarnoff, and Langston Hughes, complete this week's list.

A Look Backward

By Virginia White Transeau

Jan. 1935

PERQUIMANS FARMERS CROWD DISTRICTS TO SIGN PEANUT CONTRACT: Saturday, is the time limit set for the signing up of the peanut acreage reduction contracts. All four points in the county designated as the proper place for the farmers of that community to sign contracts have been busy places since the sign-up began. W.E. White, who is assisting L.W. Anderson, County Agent, with the peanut

Perquimans Chamber of Commerce Activities

The Perquimans County Chamber of Commerce inaugurated the presentation, monthly, of film programs, most of which will be of general interest. There will be old ones and new ones, short and long ones and, some award winners. A full schedule will be announced later to take the programming up to July. But each showing will be about 90 minutes. They will be held the third Thursday of each month at 8 p.m. in the courthouse. Admission is free, of course.

The programs should be of interest to everyone. Sincere thanks to the Pasquotank-Camden Library for sharing every kindness, helping the Chamber to obtain the films.

And speaking of Chamber activities, one is going on right now. It is the membership drive. Some few who have been contacted have not yet pledged for the forthcoming year. But we are hoping they'll re-join us after being re-contacted. With most, it is oversight.

In this county, as in every one, there are always a small group-three or four, no more—who couldn't care less about what happens in and with their community. It is generally by their lack of pride about, and interest in the Chamber of Commerce.

The Christmas parade and banquet are behind us now. Both were most successful, although the bands we usually get for the former, both of them, were out of town the weekend our parade was held. The banquet was outstanding, thanks to guest speaker Hargrove (Skipper) Bowles and the entertainment group, The Young Believers. Most of us can't remember when the entertainment received a standing ovation before. Needless to say, the same happened with Bowles.

An important reminder from the Chamber. The 1973 license plates are now on sale there. At said office you get the plates with kindness, courtesy and, a free lunch for purchases over \$5.00.

WANTS WAR REPORT

House Speaker Carl Albert says the new 93rd Congress should get a full report from President Nixon's top advisers on the bombing of North Vietnam before it tries to take steps to end the war.

ON LEADED GAS

The Environmental Protection Agency has proposed to force gasoline stations to offer at least one lead-free brand by mid-1974 and clean the lead out of other brands by 1978.

Birthdays And Civic Meetings

JANUARY 14
Lori Ann White
Leo Dail
Jennifer Roberts
Jackie Hunter
Sarah Nixon

JANUARY 15
Deborah King
Samuel Mansfield
Earl Bateman
Judy K. Long
Helen Morgan
Chamber Com. Bd. Dir.

JANUARY 16
Cathy Allen
Linda Rouse
Mary Ruth Smith
Tommy Sawyer
Helen Winslow
Suzanne S. Bunch
Hertford Rotary Club 6:15
Masonic Lodge 8:00

JANUARY 17
Pete Owens
Frances Monds
Rufus Proctor
Durants Neck Ruritan

JANUARY 18
Susan Cox
Gina Stevenson
Brian Baker
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Area Student Works On COA Work-Study



Earning part of her education and still attending school full-time, Miss Linda Baker of Hertford is only one of the over 200 students employed under the College Work-Study Program during the Winter Quarter at the College of The Albemarle. These students earn over \$70,000 during the academic year to provide finances for college expenses. While Miss Baker works in the COA Admissions Office, other Work-Study jobs include secretaries, librarians, switch board operators, lab assistants and many others.

Weekly Announces Office Hours

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