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Film Flam Artist At Work

Film Flam men recently robbed an elderly couple who were Social Security beneficiaries. The Film Flam men pretended to be social security representatives, so they could gain entry to the home of the couple. One of the men pretended to be a social security doctor.

The Social Security Administration does not have any doctors which are sent to a person's home to give an examination. When it is necessary for a representative of the social security office in Elizabeth City to visit a person at home, the representative will have official government identification. In many cases, the person would be expecting a visit from the social security representative as a result of previous contact with the Social Security Office.

Any member of the Public who has recently had a visit from a so-called Social Security doctor should report this to the Elizabeth City Social Security Office. The telephone number is 338-3931. All information received in regards to the film flam men will receive a proper investigation.

Returns From Tour Of Duty

Coast Guard Petty Officer Third Class Richard F. Votava, husband of the former Miss Elizabeth A. Ivey of Route 3, Hertford, N.C., has returned to his Norfolk, Virginia-homeport from a three-week patrol 900 miles northeast of Newfoundland, Canada, aboard the Coast Guard Cutter Ingham.

His ship served as a floating scientific observation platform for the U.S. Weather Bureau. In addition, she provided 24-hour radio communication and navigational assistance to ships and aircraft in the area.

He is a former student of Owen-Withee High School, Owen, Wis.

Funeral Services Held For Mrs. Blanchard

Mrs. Maude Sutton Blanchard, 78, of 225 West Market Street died in Albemarle Hospital at 2:45 p.m. Thursday, after a long illness. She was a native of Perquimans Co. and a member of the First United Methodist Church of Hertford. She was the widow of Lucius McMullan Blanchard and the daughter of the late Sidney and Maude Tucker Sutton.

Surviving are: Three sons; Wallace T. Blanchard of Burlington, Vt.; Sidney S. Blanchard of Hertford; N. Beverly Blanchard of Elizabeth City; one brother; Sidney T. Sutton of Elizabeth City; one half sister, Mrs. J.E. Sparks of Elizabeth City; one step sister, Mrs. Minnie Adkins of Norfolk; 11 grandchildren and 4 great grandchildren.

A funeral service was held Saturday morning at 11:00 at the graveside in Cedarwood Cemetery with the Rev. Milton Mann officiating.

The casket pall was made of pink carnations, white chrysanthemums, baby's breath and fern.

The pall bearers were Paul Smith Jr., Don Blanchard, Norman Miller, Durward Reed Jr., John Elton Hurdle, and Moody Matthews Jr.

Swindell Funeral Home was in charge.

Copeland Sentenced To Life For Murder Of Wayne Blanchard

HERTFORD — Preston Copeland was sentenced to life in prison on conviction of first-degree murder in the slaying death of Stanley Wayne Blanchard.

The sentence was appealed. The Martin County jury took two hours to reach a verdict. When the foreman announced the decision Copeland, who showed no excitement during the trial, remained unemotional. Copeland's wife, Mary Ann, who did not appear in the courtroom during the trial, was present when the verdict was handed down. She cried.

Mrs. Sylvia Copeland, the defendant's mother, was the only witness for the defense.

Mrs. Copeland testified that on the night of Aug. 5, the night Blanchard was shot to death, her son Preston was with her.

Mrs. Copeland said he was at her home at 9:30 p.m. "I was giving him some cupcakes. He was taking with him on his trip. He stayed with me until 11 p.m.," she said.

Mrs. Copeland said clothes, which state witnesses identified as Copeland's, were not her son's. "I have been washing clothes for him for six or eight



months and that shirt is not his, nor is the black sweater. He has never had a black sweater in his life," she said.

The defense argument to the jury for the 46-year-old trucker lasted more than an hour.

The state's argument also lasted an hour.

The jury went into the juror's

room at 2:53 p.m. and returned at 4:50 p.m. with the verdict.

The first trial for Copeland ended in a hung jury. The first trial also lasted a day longer than the one just ended.

A motion by Copeland's attorney, O.C. Abbott, to let Copeland out of jail on an appearance bond was denied.

Unlawful To Alter Auto Odometer

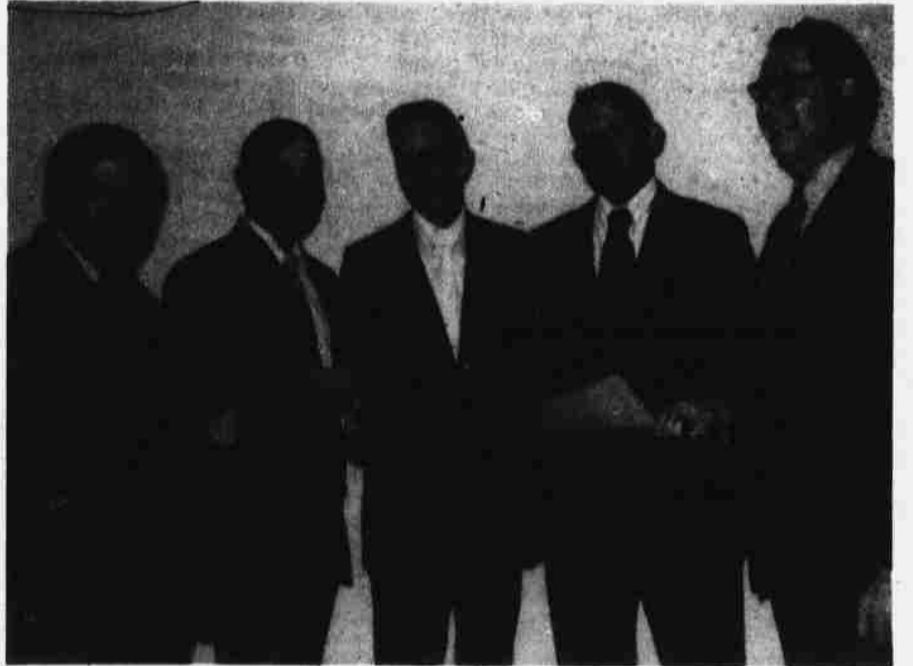
A new federal law makes it unlawful to disconnect or alter an odometer on an automobile, Bruce A. Lentz, N.C. Secretary of Transportation, announced Thursday. The law, passed last year by the U.S. Congress, became effective January 21.

Under terms of the statute, it is also unlawful to operate, with the intent to defraud, a motor vehicle on which the odometer is disconnected or unfunctional.

Since the law is a federal statute, Lentz said, persons who believe they have a cause of action should take their complaints to the U.S. District Attorney's office.

However, he pointed out, publicity about altering odometer readings in North Carolina last year caused the N.C. Office of Motor Vehicles to require the odometer reading placed on automobile title registrations. Lentz said this was a regulatory effort to combat the practice of some unscrupulous dealers to change odometer readings and make cars appear to have less than their actual mileage.

Two Young Farmers Awarded Scholarships



Left to right Wayne Ashley, Gene Perry, Stevenson, Richard Bryant, Wayne Howell, and R.L.

The North Carolina Bankers Association is continuing their award-winning service to agriculture through the sponsorship of the twenty-first annual Short Course in Modern Farming. This is a two week course at N.C. State University. The session is set for February 5-16, 1973 in Raleigh.

Scholarships for 2,194 young North Carolinians involved in agriculture have been provided by the hometown banks since the Short Course began in the early 1950's.

In past years, only one young farmer from Perquimans County has attended. Beginning this year two young men will attend. The Peoples Bank and Trust Company and the Bank of North Carolina, N.A. are each sending a young farmer from

the county. Attending the 1973 session will be Gene Perry, Route 1, Hertford, N.C. and Wayne Howell, Route 1, Hertford, N.C. All their expenses are paid by the banks.

The Short Course will begin on Monday morning, February 5 and end Friday, February 16. A total enrollment of over 100 is expected. While in Raleigh, these two young men along with other young men from all over N.C. will learn to recognize and evaluate modern technology in an ever changing agri-business environment. The program covers specific commodity information as well as broad areas of interest to young agricultural leaders.

Mr. R.L. Stevenson was appointed County Key Banker last year by Mr. Harry Gattou,

President of the Bankers Association. Mr. Stevenson is Executive Vice President of Peoples Bank and Trust Co. Hertford, N.C. Also cooperating is Mr. Wayne Ashley, Manager, Bank of North Carolina, N.A., Hertford, N.C. The County Extension Chairman works with the local bankers in selecting young farmers from the County.

Both the young farmers attending from Perquimans County are involved in farming with their fathers. Both produce corn, soybeans and peanuts and are swine producers. Wayne also has a beef cow herd. These young men were active in 4-H and FFA through their years in school. Wayne attended the Two year Agricultural Institute and Gene attended the College of the Albemarle for two years.

Hog Show & Sale Scheduled For February 13th

The Third Albemarle Area Market Hog Show and Sale will be held in Plymouth on Feb. 13th, at the Livestock Arena. The Show is being sponsored by the Area Swine Development Committee with financial assistance from Daly Herring Company, Albemarle Production Credit Association, Nutrena Feeds, Allied Mills, G & M Sales Company, Inc., and MoorMan's Feed.

Any hog producer from the Albemarle Area can exhibit up to five pigs; one barrow in the carcass class; two pigs (barrows or gilts) in the lightweight class from 180 to 210 pounds; and two pigs (barrows or gilts) in the heavyweight class from 211 to 240 pounds.

A sausageburger supper will be served to contestants and spectators at 5:30 p.m., just prior to the sale. Presentation of awards and the sale will be held at 6:30 p.m.

Any farmer interested in showing pigs should contact his county extension office.

Turnpike Road Closed To Traffic

Turnpike Road (SR 1001) in Perquimans County will be closed to traffic for approximately two months while State Highway employees replace an existing bridge.

R.E. West, district engineer, said that traffic will be detoured over other secondary roads in that area and that detour routings will be indicated by signs. Work on the project has already started.

Peoples Bank Announces New Appointments

Peoples Bank and Trust Company, headquartered in Rocky Mount, N.C., today announced board of managers appointments at three of its offices. Appointed are James R. Kitchin, Scotland Neck board; Charles W. Blanks, Jr., Henderson board; and Carey A. Phillips, Edenton board. The announcement was made by Robert Mauldin, executive vice president, Peoples Bank. "We welcome the ability these men bring to their position," Mauldin said. "We're confident we'll benefit from their interest in Peoples Bank."

Mr. Kitchin, a native of Scotland Neck, N.C., graduated from Scotland Neck High School in 1960, and the Agricultural Institute, North Carolina State University (NCSU), in 1963.

A prominent farmer in the Scotland Neck region, he is a member of the Trinity Episcopal Church vestry. He and his wife, the former Mary Hall Green of Scotland Neck, have a son, James, Jr.

Mr. Blanks is a native of Clarksville, N.C., and is president of Blanks Construction Company in Henderson. A civil engineer, he attended Grinnell College, Grinnell, Iowa, the School of Engineering at Fort Belvoir, Va., and Virginia Polytechnical Institute, Blacksburg, Va.

In addition to his association with Peoples Bank, Mr. Blanks is a trustee of the First Methodist Church, president of the Grand Strand Golf Association, Myrtle Beach, S.C., and president, Lake Drive Motel, Henderson. He also serves in the Henderson Salvation Army, Rotary Club and Chamber of Commerce.

He and his wife, Stuart Lewis, have a daughter, Harriet. Mr. Phillips is presently vice

president-secretary and director of Edenton Cotton Mills. The Edenton, N.C., native graduated from the NCSU School of Textiles in 1948, where he captained the 1946 and 1947 football teams.

A U.S. Army veteran, he also serves as chairman of the Chowan County Board of Commissioners. Married to the former Ruth Burnett of Burgaw, the couple has three children; John, 9, Cynthia, 13, and Tom, in graduate school at William and Mary College, Williamsburg, Va.

Employer Must Post OSHA Summary

State Labor Commissioner Billy Creel today reminded Tar Heel employers that they must post their 1972 annual summary of occupational deaths, injuries, and illnesses in their establishments no later than February 1, 1973.

"This summary (OSHA Form 102) must be posted by all covered employers by February 1 and left posted until March 1," Commissioner Creel stated. "It should be placed where other notices to employees customarily are posted to make sure all employees can see it."

Creel said every OSHA-covered employer having one or more employees is required to complete and post the annual summary for 1972. He added that OSHA inspectors will check during February for posting of the summary. Failure to post the form may result in the issuance of a citation, he said.

Creel warned that the Occupational Safety and Health Act provides penalties against persons who knowingly falsify the summary.

Library News

The Perquimans County Library has been given four memorial books recently. These are: Art Deco, a guide for collectors, in memory of Mrs. L.C. Winslow, also, Wings of Silver, a collection of poems and short essays in memory of Mrs. L.C. Winslow; Illustrated Encyclopedia of Art, in memory of Julia Elliot Dixon; and Birdwalk Through the Bible in memory of Mrs. Maude Blanchard.

This week the library has also added the following: The Algonquians, Indians of that part of the New World first visited by the English, Volumes I and II, by Roy Johnson; How and Why, Stories of Carolina Folklore, by Johnson.

New fiction titles are: Burnt Offerings, by Marasno; Not by Appointment, by Donor; Dr. Toms Mirable, by Sears; Thunder over Black Mountain, by Mitchell; Calamety at Apache Hanning; and four mysteries by Erle Stanley Gardner.

To Be Featured At 73 N.C. State Fair

Corn, the states major food and feed grain, will be featured at the 1973 North Carolina State Fair.

This will be the third major crop to be spotlighted at the annual event according to Ed Wester, N.C. Department of Agriculture, and A.D. Stuart, N.C. State University Agricultural Extension Service, Co-Chairmen for planning and staging the exhibit. Peanuts and soybeans were featured at the 1972 and 1971 fairs respectively.

In keeping with the format of the two previous exhibits, the corn exhibit will be planned to tell the story from the seed to the consumer. A brief history of the origin and development of the industry is also to be included.

The entire exhibit will be housed in a modern dome type structure 80 feet in diameter.

Two N.C. Troopers Are Honored For Their Service

It has always been the policy of the North Carolina State Highway Patrol to serve the people of North Carolina to their fullest extent, both while on duty and off. Recently two of the Highway Patrol's troopers were honored for their service by local Jaycee chapters.

Trooper R.M. Walsh, a 6 1/2 year veteran of the patrol, was named "Young Man Of The Year" by the Anson County Jaycees on Saturday, January 6, 1973. Trooper Walsh is a native of Asheville and has lived in Wadesboro since 1966. He is married to the former Nina Jean Cooke and they have two children. Walsh has devoted many off duty hours to civic activities. One of the projects which earned him the high honor was his activity in presenting highway safety talks in schools, churches, and other civic groups in the area.

On January 15, 1973, Trooper Gary Evers received the "Young Law Enforcement Officer-of-the-Year" Award from the Montgomery County Jaycees. Evers had been with the Highway Patrol 12 1/2 years.

He is formally from Lumberton and is presently residing with his wife, the former Pauline Estelle Jackson, and their three children in Troy.

Colonel Edwin C. Guy, Commander of the State Highway Patrol, said, "These awards are examples of the fine work that is being done by our personnel for the people of North Carolina. I congratulate these men on jobs well done and on the awards they have received."

Mason's Cookout

Perquimans Lodge 106 will hold a Hog Chitterlings and pig feet cook-out at Noah Gregory's Garage on February 3 from 3:30 to 6:00 p.m.

All Masons and friends are invited to attend. Plates will be available to take out at \$2.00 per plate.

LEGION MEETING THURSDAY

The regular monthly meeting of American Legion Post 126 will be held Thursday night at 8 p.m. at the Post home. All members are urged to attend.

Parents Weekend At ACC Slated

Parents of Atlantic Christian College students will be honored for the twelfth consecutive year during Parents' Weekend to be held on the college campus, Saturday and Sunday, Feb. 10-11. Invitations are being sent to parents of more than 1,700 students attending the college this year.

Parents are being invited to arrive on campus Saturday to see the Atlantic Christian College basketball team play the University of North Carolina at Wilmington. The game will be played in Wilson Gymnasium on the college campus at 8 p.m.

Registration will begin on Sunday, at 9:30 a.m., in the lobby of the Student Center and continue through lunch. Visiting parents will be invited to attend morning worship services in Howard Chapel. A complimentary luncheon will be held in the Student Center cafeteria. Following the luncheon a special program will be held in Wilson Gymnasium. Open house will be observed during the afternoon.

Another New Business Locates In Hertford



Hertford Frames, Inc. opened for business in Hertford December 1 at the Grubb Street location formerly occupied by Hertford Veneers, Inc. across from the Recreation Center. Officers of the firm are Levy Harden of Chesapeake, Va.,



President and General Manager; and Jack Habit of Edenton, Secretary and Treasurer. The company specializes in the manufacture of frames for box springs and furniture, which are shipped by company trucks to 17



states. Harden said he has 38 employees at the present time with an annual payroll of approximately \$186,400.00. He plans to increase the number of employees to 80 within 6 months. All lumber for the



operation is bought locally. Harden owned and operated Chesapeake Furniture Manufacturing, Inc. in Chesapeake, Va. for 5 years prior to coming to Hertford.