

For The People

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"A common complaint against public welfare is fraud; yet, in terms of income tax evasions, racketeers who defraud the government of billions of dollars each year, and deception in the day to day business world, this problem is indeed minor." — Dr. Ellen Winston, Commissioner.

Mary was widowed when her husband, a laborer, was accidentally electrocuted on the job. She had four small children, yet for five years she managed to care for her family and make

the payments on her modest home. Her husband had not been covered by Social Security and the only money she received was a small insurance check for three months.

Finally, her savings were exhausted and the meager income from her work as a maid would not stretch sufficiently to provide the minimum needs for her children. She visited the county department of public welfare, explained her situation, and was found eligible to receive an aid to dependent children grant. She continued to work, and because of the small monthly check from the public welfare department, the children were able

to continue in school instead of having to stop to go to work. The oldest, a daughter, was graduated from high school, is married, and she and her husband have regular employment.

The second child, a son, was graduated from college with a B. S. degree in biology. Now he is serving a two year hitch in the Army as a commissioned officer. The third child, a daughter, is majoring in English in college and plans to be a teacher. While in high school she received a medal for outstanding work. At present she is working to save money for her next term in college.

The youngest child is a high school junior and is making a fine scholastic average.

None of Mary's children has ever been in trouble. The case-workers who have worked with

this family have praised Mary for the wholesome home life she provided for her children, their ambition and desire to become useful citizens. During one period of about two years, Mary was hospitalized. She received treatment through the Vocational Rehabilitation program and made a successful recovery.

Her children, because of the tax dollars spent on them through the public welfare program, are contributing members of society. Three of them are self-sufficient. The fourth, when graduated from high school, will be in a better position to get a job than if she had to leave school.

There are thousands of similar cases in the files of the 100 county department of public welfare in North Carolina.



THE HARVESTERS QUARTET

Gospel Singers At Gastonia

The Chuck Wagon Gang from Dallas, Texas, and the Harvesters Quartet from Charlotte will present a concert of Gospel Music Friday, January 25th, in Gastonia's Ashley high school auditorium, beginning at 7:30 p.m.

This will be the first appearance in Gastonia of the nationally known Texas singers in ten years.

The Ranlo Optimist Club is sponsoring the Gospel singing. Rev. G. Howard Allred, president, said that there is not a playground in Ranlo, so the proceeds of the Singing will be used to buy equipment for the children.

Advance tickets are \$1. They may be purchased at Rhyne's Drug Store on the Lowell Road, tickets at the door at \$1.25.

Don't Forget These Items On Tax Forms

Whether the selected Federal income tax return is the short 1040A Form or regular 1040, many taxpayers forget some important items, J. E. Wall, District Director of the Internal Revenue Service for the Greensboro District, advised today.

Some of these items are: (1) failure to attach W-2, (2) no signatures, (3) tax information not readable, (4) failure to list dependents and exemptions, (5) failure to total deductions.

"What happens when we get an illegible or incomplete return?" Mr. Wall said this type of return cannot be properly processed and will delay the issuance of any refund due the taxpayer. The results are either a letter or a phone call from the taxpayer questioning us and, of course, Mr. Wall added, this takes away clerical help needed to process the correct returns.

Mr. Wall suggested that you review your return as soon as it is completed; put it aside overnight; then review it again the next day. After you are sure it is clear, complete, and correct, mail it to the Director of Internal Revenue, Federal Office Building, Greensboro, North Carolina.

By the way, if you really want fast service on your tax return, mail it early.

Officials Issue Three Permits

City officials issued permits for the construction of three houses within the city in recent weeks.

A permit was issued in the name of Bill McGinnis for the construction of a \$16,000 house on Linwood Drive by contractor Hobart Dye.

James Suber was issued a permit for a \$12,500 one-story house on Henry Street.

Permit for a \$14,000 six-room house at 1004 Sherwood Lane was issued to J. Wilson Crawford.

Bell Gives Expansion Plan For City, State

Southern Bell Telephone Company today announced plans to spend approximately \$23,500,000 during the 1963 to expand and improve telephone facilities in North Carolina.

Commenting on the company's plans, E. F. Farris, Southern Bell manager here, said today: "This expenditure is anticipated in order for telephone service to keep abreast of North Carolina's increased industrial and residential growth during the coming year. Included in construction plans are projects for Kings Mountain, also.

"We are confident that Kings Mountain's development and expansion will continue at its present rate or perhaps even faster," he said. "This prediction is based on business and residential forecast studies made by our engineers so that we can meet telephone needs as they develop."

Recent expenditures in connection with converting to Direct Distance Dialing include \$80,000.00 on outside plant including cable both aerial and underground.

Preparation for Direct Distance Dialing required the expenditure of over \$15,000.00 which went for Central office equipment including carrier terminals repeaters and miscellaneous hardware.

On a statewide basis, some 40,000 telephones are expected to be added in areas served by Southern Bell in North Carolina during 1963.

Barnes Wins Safety Award

NORFOLK, Va. — Private First Class Luther B. Barnes, Mail Clerk at Headquarters Battery, 4th Missile Battalion (NH), 59th Artillery, Deep Creek, Va., has been awarded the United States Army Safety Award for superior safety while operating

Here's More Tips For Safe Driving

Snow tires when it snows? Fine says Motor Vehicles Commissioner Edward Scheidt, but too many drivers have the mistaken belief that snow tires or chains permit normal speed driving on winter slick highways.

"This is a thoroughly dangerous notion and can lead straight to tragedy," he said.

"Both snow tires and tire chains are excellent winter driving aids," the vehicles chief explained, "but they do not relieve drivers of the responsibility of slowing down as snow, ice and road conditions dictate."

Scheidt suggested that misleading advertising concerning the non-skid properties of tires can become an indirect cause of costly traffic trouble by leading motorists into taking risks of which they are not fully aware. "Contrary to the faith some drivers have in snow tires, they do not provide all the traction needed under winter driving conditions," he said. "Tests conducted each winter by the National Safety Council's Committee on Winter Driving Hazards prove this beyond doubt."

NSC tests show that a car traveling on dry concrete at 20 miles an hour can be stopped in 21 feet after the brakes have been applied. On loosely packed snow, this braking distance jumps to 60 feet or more with regular tires, about 52 feet with snow grips and 38 feet with reinforced tire chains.

On Glare ice a car equipped with ordinary tires will need from 114 to 250 feet to stop, depending on the temperature. The average distance is about 195 ft. Reinforced tire chains will cut this distance to about 77 feet.

Regular tire chains, the tests showed, were 231 per cent better on ice in hill climbing and traction ability and that the reinforced kind were 409 per cent better.

Snow tires were found to be only 228 per cent better on ice than regular tires, Scheidt said. "The tests revealed also that the most hazardous winter road condition is ice near or at the freezing point," he added. "Braking distances on winter surfaces are three to 12 times greater as those on bare pavement."

Scheidt said when severe winter weather conditions prevail, motorists should keep a set of reinforced tire chains handy in the car trunk.

"And drivers must slow down on ice and snow and pump the brakes lightly and rapidly to stop safely, maintain steering control and to shorten stopping distance."

Ted Coyner, Hyattsville, Md., Prince George's "520" Monday 9:15 P. M. Mixed Commercial league, Fair Lanes Prince George's Plaza, games of 90, 91 and 92.

Thomas O. Meredith, Sr., Wye Mills, Md., Bay County league, Chesapeake Lanes, Easton, Md., December 10, 1962, games of 94, 95 and 96.

a military vehicle. Barnes from 10 September 1962, to 10 January 1963, has chocked up some 14,150 miles of driving while performing his duties. This award will enable him to compete at the 35th Brigade's Safe Driver of the Quarter".

The 224 year old misllemian is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Bahnson N. Barnes of 203 N. Gaston St. Kings Mountain, N. C. He received his A.B. degree from Lenoir Rhyne college, Hickory, N. C., class of '61. Barnes is a member of Tau Kappa Epsilon Maryland for "35th Artillery

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