

Come Hair Or 'Yul Brynner'

Intrinsically the length and style of a teen's hair has no bearing on his tendencies toward getting into trouble, though since the late sixties the so-called establishment has seemingly wanted to use this standard as a measure of potential. And, admittedly, even law enforcement agencies have leaned toward "hair style judgment" in their

thinking. The problem, if one still remains, varies in importance determined by, among other things, geographical location. While most areas of the country have finally accepted hair style freedom as a basic right, others hold fast to the old standards, with the clean-shaven, burr-cut look standing for law-abiding



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may have been true when the fad started, it has little basis in fact now. And if this thinking prevailed, police officers would surely be spending a lot of unnecessary time observing gray headed long hairs as many from the intelligentsia have joined the group of hair-worshippers. Let's face it, some like attention no matter what must be done to achieve it, if that is a real reason for succumbing to hair style trends.

Excessive hair adornment, while it may show lack of concern for conventionality by the old standards, will have little if any influence, subliminal or otherwise, on a youngster's deep-seated standards. If he has been taught the right and wrong basics, his hair isn't going to make him forget, nor is he headed automatically toward an unruly existence because of his long hair.

If your teen's hair makes you ashamed and disgusted, you'll probably have to do something unique to get it changed. In law enforcement we have decided not to let hair bother us. Everyone we "do business with" will be treated equally in this jurisdiction, come hair or Yul Brynner.

Next week: How To Handle The Disrespectful Teen



TRAINING CLASS—The Phenix Plant of Burlington Industries recently held a training class for Job Instructor Training (I. T.). The class was taught by Luther Bennett, Training Director, assisted by Flossie Johnson, Vestibule Instructor. Pictured above are three of the four employees who received certificates for completing the course. From left to right are Margaret Patterson, 2nd shift winding, Mike Bridges, 3rd shift carding and Arthur McClain, 3rd shift spinning. Minnie Jones, 3rd shift winding is not shown.

Auto Collision Count, Damages Running High

Damages were high in several traffic accidents occurring in the city within the past week, according to Kings Mountain Police Department.

Ralph Edward Bumgardner, Rt. 4, operating a 1972 Ford, apparently backed into a 1975 Chevy operated by Sandra Jackson, 509 Katherine Ave., in the KMSHS Teacher's Parking Lot Wednesday at 1:50 p. m. Damages, according to Ptl. Billy Benton, were estimated at \$75 to Bumgardner's vehicle and \$150 to the Jackson car.

BREAKFAST

Men of Boyce Memorial ARP Church will serve the traditional Thanksgiving breakfast at 7:30 a. m. on next Thursday in the church fellowship hall. Rev. Charles Edwards will lead the devotional.

CARD OF THANKS

We would like to thank our friends and neighbors and the doctors and staff of Kings Mountain Hospital for their many kindnesses during the illness and death of our beloved one.
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A Friday smash-up at 2:40 p. m. on Second St. involved a parked vehicle owned by Verleen S. McCurry, of 810 Second St., and a 1972 Plymouth operated by Melvin Haskel Carroll, 1007 Piedmont Ave. According to Sgt. B. P. Cook, the Carroll car was traveling south on the left side of the street and struck the parked vehicle. Damages were estimated at \$500 to the front end of the Carroll car.

A "rear end collision" occurred Saturday at 1:50 p. m. involving cars operated by Thomas W. Goodson, Gastonia, and Joseph G. Greene, Shelby. Greene said he was slowing down for a vehicle to turn and was hit by the Goodson car. Mrs. Dorothy Gregg, 61, was treated for injuries. She was a passenger in the Greene car.

Brake failure was blamed for the two-car crash on U. S. 74 Monday at 1:15 p. m., reported Ptl. Mike Sanders who said that David Michael Brackett, of Greenville, S. C., reported that brakes on his 1976 Ford SWG failed at a traffic light and his car struck a 1970 Ford operated by Vickie H. Black, Rt. 1, Grover. Damages totaled \$1200.

good citizenship. If the latter held true law enforcement would be a simple matter.

Parents who remain concerned with their children's desired hair-styles will find it easier on

the ulcers to shift their concern to other indicators of more obvious importance.

We hear often that law officers pay closer attention to the activities of "long hairs." While this

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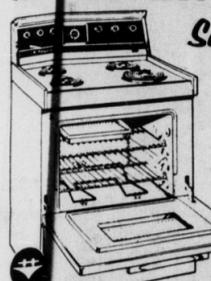


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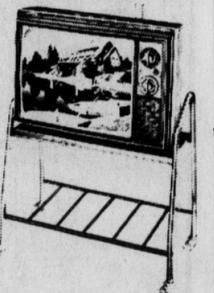
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