

A First-Hand Learning Experience



Photos By Lib Stewart

BRIDE-ELECT HONORED — Miss Susan Ballew, right, is served punch by Mrs. Jack Arnette, one of the hostesses for a drop-in coffee Saturday morning at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Frank Sincox.



ENTERTAIN — Mrs. Frank Sincox, left, serves refreshments to Mrs. W. C. Ballew, mother of bride-elect Susan Ballew, at a drop-in Saturday morning.

I learned Tuesday first-hand about one of the vocational education programs offered to students at Kings Mountain Senior High School.

Skeet Allison and Kenny Burton, two of my neighbors in the Dixon Community, and members of the auto mechanics class at KMHS were "good samaritans" when my 1974 Buick failed to start at KMSHS about 1 p. m. They put their good training in practice, quickly attaching

a jumper cable. As it turned out, the problem was in the starter switch.

Vocational education programs were discussed at a 12noon luncheon in the Home Economics Department in which Dr. Michael Latta, Executive Director of the State Advisory Council, explained in a meeting before the local Vocational Education Advisory Council of which Kyle Smith is chairman. Dr. Latta elaborated on the state and local advisory councils as they apply to vocational education.



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Dr. Latta pointed out that under Vocational Education legislation passed by the U. S. Congress, the North Carolina State Advisory Council on Vocational Education has

been established to advise the State Board of Education in development of a five-year plan for vocational education, the annual program plan and accountability report and to advise the State Board on policy matters. It is the aim of a good advisory group to be "eyes and ears" of the school board and share helpful information.

Dr. Latta said he is concerned that annually 28,200 kids drop out of public schools and a viable program in vocational

education can help prevent this tragedy.

He said the 1979-81 session of the General Assembly will be asked to fund vocational education at 100 percent level. (In KM District Schools now the local district must contribute 30 percent.)

Dr. Latta foresees the 1980's and 1990's, there "will not be a need for as many college graduates, explaining that statistics show that 80 percent of jobs will require less than a degree." "We need to concentrate on these 28,200

students who drop out and later become welfare cases and even wind up in prison," said Latta, of Raleigh, who holds a Ph.D. from Duke University.

Myers Hambright arranged the program.

Rep. Edith Lutz was a visitor at the luncheon, took the occasion to praise the district system for its program of vocational education. "Every child is definitely not college material," said Mrs. Lutz, "and my hat's off to you for giving these children such opportunities."

Drop-In Honors Susan

A drop-in Coffee Saturday morning from 10 until 12 noon honored Miss Susan Ballew, April 22 bride-elect of Greg Kilburn.

Entertaining together were Mrs. Frank Sincox, Mrs. B. F. Maner, Mrs. Jack Arnette, Mrs. Charles Ballard, Mrs. N. H. Reed and Mrs. Bob Southwell.

The beautiful Sincox home on Edgemont home was decorated for spring, in yellow and green jonquils, tulips, acuba and magnolia leaves. Overlaid with Irish linen cloth embroidered in pastel flowers, the refreshment table held a central arrangement of jonquils and tulips. Coffee punch was served from a silver punch bowl at one end of the table and silver appointments held vegetable sandwiches, sausage balls, chocolate pound cake squares, nuts and nutty fingers.

Miss Ballew received guests with her mother, Mrs. W. C. Ballew, and wore a pink sheer party dress and a corsage of pink rosebuds, gift of the hostesses. Mrs. Frank Sincox greeted guests.

Two hundred guests called during reception hours.

Restricted-Use Labels Coming

Within the next few months pesticides will begin to appear on the market with restricted-use labels.

These restricted-use pesticides, according to H. W. Dameron, County Extension Chairman, once they are labeled restricted-use cannot be sold to the farmer unless he has a Private Applicators Card on a commercial license.

The County Extension Office according to Dameron will conduct training meetings on Tues., Mar. 28 and Wed., Mar. 29 at 7:30 p. m. at the County Office Building. Farmers who attend both of these two-hour sessions will be certified as having met the requirements of the law. This will be the last series of pesticide certification meetings to be held this spring.

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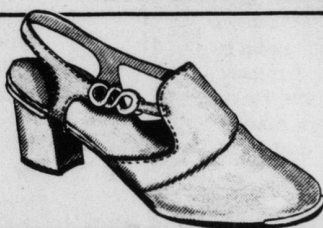
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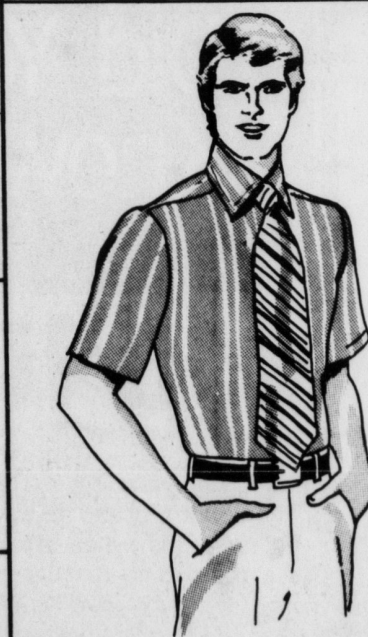
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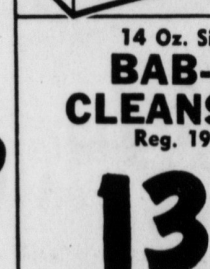


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