



PRIDE WINNERS — Three employees of Foote Mineral Co. were recently awarded citations by Yeargin Construction Co. and its PRIDE program. PRIDE stands for Personal Responsibility In Daily Excellence. Presenting the awards were, left to right (stand-

ing): Walt Cook, Foote Operations Manager; Bob Brennon, construction supt.; Carl Yost, vice president-construction; and Ellis Mansfield, supt. First row, left to right, are the recipients — Don Bailey, Danny Capps and Terry Martin.

LaVerne Tripp To Sing Saturday At Trinity Church

"O come, let us sing unto the Lord; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation." Psalms 96:1

This invitation from the scripture depicts an evening with LaVerne Tripp, the Happy Hour Singers and the Song Revival Band.

"Born to write and sing" are words that best describe LaVerne Tripp. Raised on a farm on the coast of North Carolina, LaVerne has always had a song in his heart. He began singing in churches when he was only two and one-half years old; and even then his special, God given talent was evident. As LaVerne grew, his love for music also grew.

LaVerne began to sing professionally after finishing Bible School in Greenville, South Carolina. He sang with several parttime gospel groups before joining the Blue Ridge Quartet. In 1975, he left the quartet to enter into full time ministry.

Many awards have been presented to this singing



LAVERNE TRIPP

evangelist. In 1971, his song "I Know" was the number one song in gospel music for all twelve months of that year. His next composition, "That Day Is Almost Here," replaced "I Know" in the number one spot. This song was replaced by "After Calvary," making LaVerne Tripp three songs in a row to reach number one on gospel music charts. A record that has never been broken. In 1972, he was crowned "King of

Gospel Music." In 1973, he won the award as the number one lead singer among all the gospel groups.

"I'm grateful for the awards," says LaVerne. "But my fondest reward comes when I see lives changed. Today, people are searching. They want joy, peace and happiness. The Bible says that these things come from the Holy Spirit, and anyone can have them. That's what I sing about."

LaVerne Tripp, the Happy Hour Singers and the Song Revival Band travel thousands of miles every year to deliver that message to America, and they are coming to our area. LaVerne's appearance is called a "Song Revival," and it will be held on Saturday, Feb. 10, at 7:30 p. m. at Trinity Church of the Living God.

Everyone is invited and admission is free. Trinity Church of the Living God is located on Cherryville Hwy. (behind the old Country Store) Kings Mountain.

UFO Program Scheduled

George Fawcett, an internationally known UFO authority, will present a special lecture and slide program entitled UFO's And Their Occupants at Schiele Museum Saturday and Sunday, Feb. 17-18.

The Feb. 17 program is at 4 p. m. and on Sunday at 3 and 4 p. m. at the museum on Garrison Blvd.

The program features eyewitness stories of UFO sightings, slides of UFO photos, up-dated UFO news items and a question and answer period.

Fawcett has been a UFO writer and researcher for over 33 years and has authored numerous magazine and newspaper

articles on the subject, as well as the 1975 book with illustrations on a quarter of a century of studies of UFO's in North Carolina, Tennessee and Florida.

Admission is \$2 for adults, \$1 for students and half price for patrons with cards.

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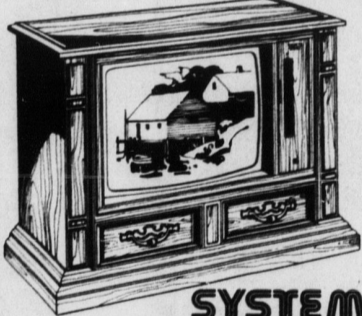
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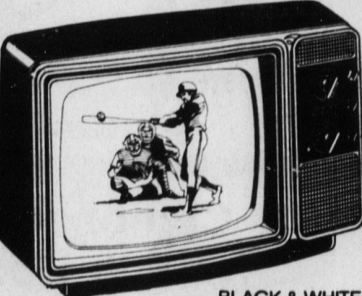
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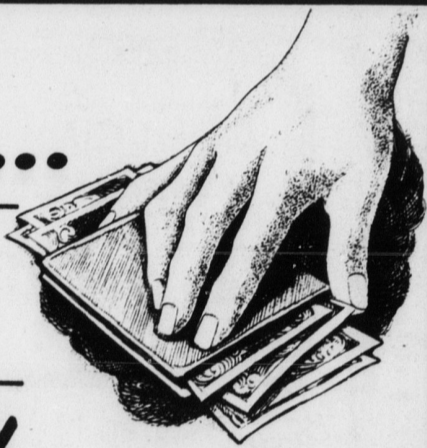
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