

Local Students Earn PPG Savings Bonds

PPG Industries Shelby Foundation agent and plant manager Lear T. Powell announced today that William R. Tidwell, son of Mr. and Mrs. John T. Tidwell of 1554 Spangler Dr., Shelby, is the winner of the foundation's 16th annual plant community scholarship.

Tidwell attends Shelby High School and will enroll in Virginia Polytechnical Institute this fall. He plans to major in the engineering curriculum which will lead to a career as a nuclear

engineer. This exceptionally talented student ranks second among 326 seniors in his graduating class and has participated in numerous extracurricular activities. William has been active in the National Honor Society, Beta Club, Quill and Scroll, "Who's Who Among American High School Students" and French Club. A National Merit Scholar, William is co-editor of the school yearbook and also participates in activities

related to Fellowship of Christian Athlete and Young Life. He is a recipient of the U.S. History Award and semi-finalist delegate to the Hugh O'Brien Leadership Conference. The Shelby High senior was chosen by a three-member scholarship panel of prominent university educators from among 7 finalists who were interviewed for the PPG Industries Foundation award in March. He will receive a four-year scholarship valued from \$250 to \$1,500 yearly, depending on his financial need as determined by the National Merit Scholarship Corporation.

Honorable mention awards of \$25 U.S. Savings Bonds were presented to the following finalists:

Timothy D. Champion, Vicki L. Latham, Lisa F. Robertson, and Mary Melanie Walker of Shelby High School; and Barry M. Lineberger and Cynthia K. Wells of Kings Mountain High School.

The finalists were determined from a group of 119 applicants on the basis of their results on the preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test-National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test given in their junior year.

Eligible students graduating from designated high schools in the Shelby area and children of employees of PPG's Shelby fiber glass plant who are graduating from high schools elsewhere, can compete for the Foundation's plant community scholarship.



Photo by Lib Stewart

SECRETARIES HONORED—Local secretaries were honored by their employers at a luncheon Wednesday which was co-sponsored by KM Chamber of Commerce and KM Motor Inn at the Motor Inn. Each guest received long-stemmed carnations. Mayor John Henry

Moss was the speaker for the occasion. Pictured are a group of secretaries and their "bosses" enjoying luncheon. Attorney George B. Thomason is in the foreground.

OBITUARIES

IRVING A. AUSLEY

SPARTA—Funeral services for Irving A. Ausley, who died Tuesday night, brother of Dr. Paul K. Ausley of Kings Mountain, will be conducted Friday morning in Sparta.

Also surviving are his wife, Mrs. Anne Ausley; his sister, Mrs. Cash Cox of Asheboro; and brothers, Robert Ausley of Asheboro and Joe Austin of Franklinville.

JAMES B. HINES

Funeral services for James B. Hines, 51, of Levelland, Texas, brother of Mrs. Virginia Lall of Grover, were conducted Wednesday at Smith Memorial Chapel, interment following in Levelland Cemetery.

Mr. Hines was a native of Cleveland County and a former employe of the City

of Levelland and a retired USAF sergeant.

Also surviving are his wife; three sons; two daughters; three half-brothers; three half-sisters and two grandchildren.

JOHN BROWN

John Brown, 85, of 209 Orr Terrace, died Monday night at Kings Mountain Hospital.

He was a native of York County, S.C., son of the late Bill and Mary Jackson Brown and was married to the late Fannie Brown.

Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Catherine Arrington of Kings Mountain and Mrs. Leona Rhodes of New York City; a brother, Hazel Brown of Kings Mountain; a sister, Mrs. Jessie Alexander of Clover, S.C.; three grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

J.W. Gill and Sons Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Bikes Are Fun And Dangerous

The first warm, sunshiny days of spring and summer are bringing forth in great numbers a happy breed—the nation's motorcyclists. Many of them unfortunately, face accidents, injuries and even death in the next few months, warns the Insurance Information Institute.

The nation in 1977 had more than 5 million motorcycles, motor scooters and motor bikes on the road, almost nine times as many as in 1966, according to the Federal Highway Administration. Almost 4,200 of these were involved in fatal accidents.

In North Carolina, cyclists were involved in more than 3,400 accidents during 1977. More than 86 percent of these accidents resulted in injury compared with a 33 percent accident rate for passenger cars. In addition, accidents involving cyclists were nearly four times more likely to result in death than those involving passenger cars.

The romance and excitement of motorcycling need not turn to tragedy if both cyclists and car drivers exercise care and courtesy, according to the Insurance Information Institute. It offers these pointers for the safety of all on the highway:

—Know the traffic laws and any special regulations and requirements for motorcyclists. A cyclist is far more vulnerable than a motorist.

—Obey speed laws. Over half of motorcyclists in fatal accidents are either speeding or going too fast for highway conditions.

—As a cyclist, don't ask for trouble by weaving in and out of stalled traffic, or by zipping onto the road

shoulder to get ahead of motorists.

—Drive "ahead." Remember that about two-thirds of motorcycle-car collisions take place at intersections. Both cyclists and car drivers should anticipate and thus avoid such situations.

—Always wear a safety helmet. It can save your life, or cut down the severity of injuries in an accident. Look for one with the symbol "DOT" (Department of Transportation) on the outer rear or with a safety certificate inside.

—Require your passengers to wear helmets also, and see that they and you have sturdy, protective clothing. Orange or other bright color should be used for some clothing article.

—Avoid tailgating. Those motorcyclists who do so are asking for an accident. If an auto tailgates you, slow down or pull off to the side of the road and let it pass.

—If rain starts, wait a few minutes until some of the oil has washed off the highway and it is not so slick.

—Don't take it for granted that other drivers can see you. At night wear clothing with some kind of reflectors.

—Pass other vehicles with care. Riding on the road shoulder is poor practice. And don't crowd the vehicle you are passing. You're the vulnerable one!

RETURNS TO MISSOURI

Jack Vincent Sims has returned to Fort Leonardwood, Mo. after a two-weeks leave with his parents, Mr. and Jack Sims, and grandparents.

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