

Damage Toll Heavy In City Wrecks

Approximately \$2800 damage was done to cars as a result of wrecks in the city last week according to reports from the Kings Mountain Police Department.

Wednesday morning at 7 o'clock, Sgt. Madison Hunter answered a wreck call at the intersection of North Piedmont Avenue and Benfield Avenue. Involved in the accident were Clark Jerome Stephens of 307 Wilson Terrace and Glen Robert Carroll of 212 Benfield Avenue. The report stated that Carroll had stopped at the stop sign to allow the cars to pass. He said he then pulled out into the path of the Stephens car which he didn't see. Stephens 1971 Dodge was damaged \$200 worth and the Carroll 1966 Chevrolet was estimated at receiving \$250 damage. Carroll was charged with failure to yield right of way.

Another accident Wednesday at 1:10 p.m. sent Ptl. Jerry White to the scene. The report filed indicated that Billy Wayne Roberts of 522 Cleveland Avenue was slowing to turn when a car driven by Mack Blair Jenkins struck the Roberts vehicle in the rear. The mishap occurred at the intersection of Cleveland Avenue and Lynn Street. Jenkins, of Route 2, Oates Road in Bessemer City was cited in the accident for following too close. Jenkins 1972 Ford was damaged \$1200 worth and no estimates had been made on the Roberts 1964 Chevrolet.

Ptl. Jerry White also investigated a one car accident Thursday morning at 6:45 involving John Allyn Cheshire, Cheshire, 75, of 9 Country Club Road stated that he looked away from the road and hit a sign post at East King and York Road. His 1961 Buick was listed at \$200 damage and \$50 damage was done to the sign. Driving on a restricted license was the violation indicated.

Joseph Martin Phifer, 16, of Route 2, Box 707 and William Douglas Peterson, 16, of 607 Landing Street were involved in a wreck Friday at Phifer Road and W. Gold Street. Ptl. Richard Reynolds reported that Peterson was slowing to make a left into Gold and Joseph Phifer hit the Peterson car from behind. Phifer was charged with following too close. Damage estimates to the Phifer car was \$150 and \$250 to the Peterson auto.

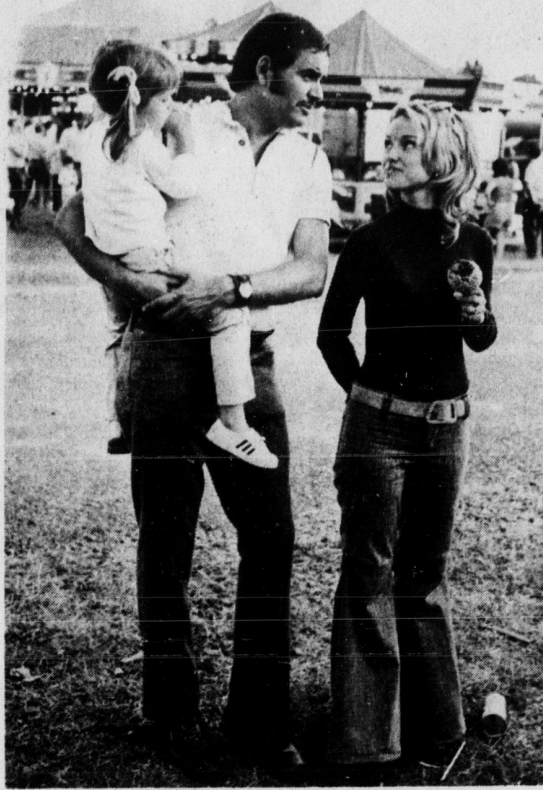
Reynolds reported another accident Saturday evening at 7:00 at the intersection of King Street and Battleground. Dennis Guy Trout, 17, of 417 Maner Road and Carl Eldon Miller, 35, of 6248 Thornhege Drive, Riverdale, Georgia were involved. The report said that Miller was passing Trout when the Trout car changed lanes, striking Millers car in the side. Dennis Trout told the officer that he was in the left turn lane but decided to go straight and didn't see the car. Trout's 1968 Ford was damaged \$100 worth and \$200 damage was done to Millers vehicle. Dennis Trout was cited for failure to make a movement in safety.

Malcolm Dwight Hicks, of 1323 Seneca Place in Charlotte was charged with following too close resulting in an accident Sunday at 4:10 p.m. at C. King and Carpenter Street. Hicks reportedly ran into the rear of a car driven by Frances Peeler Neighbors of 410 Morton Street in Shelby. The neighbors car sustained \$50 damage and \$150 damage was done to the Hicks car.

John A. Volpe, Secretary of Transportation: "Piracy in the skies will die when the doors of welcome are universally slammed on hijackers around the world."



Fairs are supposed to be for kids, although it seems to be the adults having most of the fun, and there's no age limit. Last week's Bethware Community Fair was no exception, and these



Fun At The Bethware Fair....

three candid photos made by I. G. Alexander show kids of all ages having fun. At left, Mearl Scism holds little Kevin Leftwich; Mr. and Mrs. Ted Anthony and daughter stroll the grounds,



while mom enjoys a candied apple; and Mrs. Jessie Lee Hord enjoys a snack break on the grounds with one of her (twin) grandsons.

Nine New Homes On Tap

Building permit activity was heavy last week with a total of nine new homes on tap. Mauney Mills also applied for a permit to add a new two story addition to their mill. The permits include:

Frank Ballard, 708 Linwood Road applied for a permit to repair fire damage to an old house at 701 Stone Street at a cost of \$3,600.

Allen Displays Inc., of P.O. Box 11383, Greensboro, a permit to place an identification sign at the corner of York Road and Charles Street for Wilco Truck Rentals Inc. Cost of sign listed at \$2000.

Jeffrey Scott Cloninger, 607 N. Candler Street. A permit for a sewer tap at 406 Maner Road. Cost of permit, \$50.

Alexander-Shillinglaw, 205 Maner Road, a permit to install a utility building at a cost of \$225.

Mrs. Jessie Lee W. Hord, 706 Meadowbrook Road a permit to build a utility shed at a cost of \$200.

Daisy McCurry, 305 East Parker Street, a permit to build an addition to present dwelling at a cost of \$850.

Phillips Development Corporation, 1401 N. Logan Street, Gaffney permits to build new houses at: 1505 Northwoods Drive at cost of \$13,983.

1503 Northwoods Drive, cost \$14,983.

1315 Northwoods Drive, cost \$14,983.

2001 Redwood Circle, cost \$16,983.

1800 Alpine Drive, cost \$13,983.

1406 Northwoods Drive, cost \$13,983.

1318 Northwoods Drive, cost \$15,733.

1501 Northwoods Drive, cost \$13,983.

John W. Foster, Jr., 113 Center Street, a zoning permit to build a new house in the mile perimeter of Kings Mountain.

Mauney Mills Inc., 20 Pine Street a permit for a new 2 story addition to Mauney Mills. Total cost \$219,200.

Hardins Auto & Machine Service, 612 E. King Street, an electrical permit. Cost listed at \$200.

Bridges Bros. Contractors Inc., 214 Country Club Circle, Shelby, a permit to build a new house at 600 Lee Street at a cost of \$23,600.

Constitution Week Thru 23'rd

North Carolina Played Rebellious Role In U. S. Constitution Ratification

Contributed By Ed Smith

North Carolina has never seen a more bitter political battle than the one which brought this state into the Union.

This is the real story for modern Carolinians behind the celebration of Constitution Week (Sept. 17-23) which recognizes the adoption of the original thirteen states meeting in Philadelphia in 1787. The actual anniversary date is Sept. 17, the day on which the group voted to accept the document. Before it became the law of the land, however, it had to be ratified by state conventions in nine states.

Delaware quickly became the first to accept the Constitution, unanimously, followed ten days later by Pennsylvania with a two-thirds majority. A total of eleven states ratified the Constitution in 1788, all but North Carolina and Rhode Island, these two joined the Union too late, in fact, to vote in the first election of George Washington. There was a time when the facts behind this story were well known to Carolinians. Today, however, with history rapidly becoming a neglected subject in our schools--particularly North Carolina history--the telling of it becomes even more important.

By the mid-1780's--less than ten years after the Declaration of Independence--it had become apparent to most Americans that The Articles of Confederation were simply too loose and cumbersome to provide good government. A new Constitutional Convention was held in Philadelphia, from May until September, while its members thrashed out the difficult compromises necessary to win acceptance from the entire nation.

Like most states, North Carolina chose a group of its most talented citizens to represent its interests in designing a new government. Chosen were: Richard Caswell, the state's first govern-

nor; William R. Davie, another former governor and "Father of the University of North Carolina;" Alexander Martin, another former governor (and like Caswell and Davie a military leader during the Revolution), plus Richard Dobbs Spaight and Willie Jones, both outstanding legislators. Caswell, too ill to serve, was replaced by William Blount. Jones, opposed to a stronger central government, refused to serve, and his place was taken by Dr. Hugh Williamson, one of the new nation's most famous physicians and intellectuals.

Though all five of these men served the delegation in Philadelphia, only three were present when the document was signed, Spaight, Williamson and Blount.

A state convention was called for in Hillsborough in 1788 to vote on the national constitution, and after a bitter fight North Carolina became the first state to reject it.

There had been strong sentiment nationwide that the framework of government created in Philadelphia lacked sufficient protection of individual rights. In North Carolina--which had had bitter experience with autocratic colonial governors--this was keenly felt. Even the state's own constitution, adopted only a few years before, had been opposed on grounds that it created too strong a central government. Advocates for and against ratification took to the stump and travelled widely. Feelings ran high, and old friendships turned into feuds. In Guilford County, for example, Alexander Martin, who had helped frame the Constitution, was rejected as a delegate to the state convention by voters who opposed it. (A year later, ironically, he would be elected to his second term as Governor.)

Rejection of the Constitution left the state in a very awkward position, in danger of being left out of national affairs and placed in difficulty in its legal and financial dealings with other states.

Another convention was called for in Fayetteville, for November 21, 1789. In the meantime, much of the state's original opposition to the Constitution was removed when Congress introduced the Bill of Rights, the first ten amendments which greatly expanded the guarantees of individual rights. The reluctance of North Carolina to ratify the Constitution, in fact, is recognized as having been one of

the strongest arguments put forth by backers of the Bill of Rights.

Carolnians of today can take pride in the fact that their predecessors played a great part in guaranteeing us the civil rights we enjoy today.

At the second convention North Carolina ratified the U. S. Constitution by a vote of 195-77, and rejoined the Union.

No Wonder

Driving up to the house to deliver the family's seventh baby, the doctor almost ran over a duck.

"Is that your duck out front?" the MD asked.

"It's ours all right, but it ain't no duck. It's a stork with his legs worn off from making so many calls."

Fair Enough

Little Jimmie was suffering from a cold, so his mother gave him a bottle of cough mixture to take while he was at school. When he came home she asked him if he had taken his medicine regularly.

"Oh, no," replied Jimmie. "But Billy did. He liked it so, I swapped it for a handful of peanuts."

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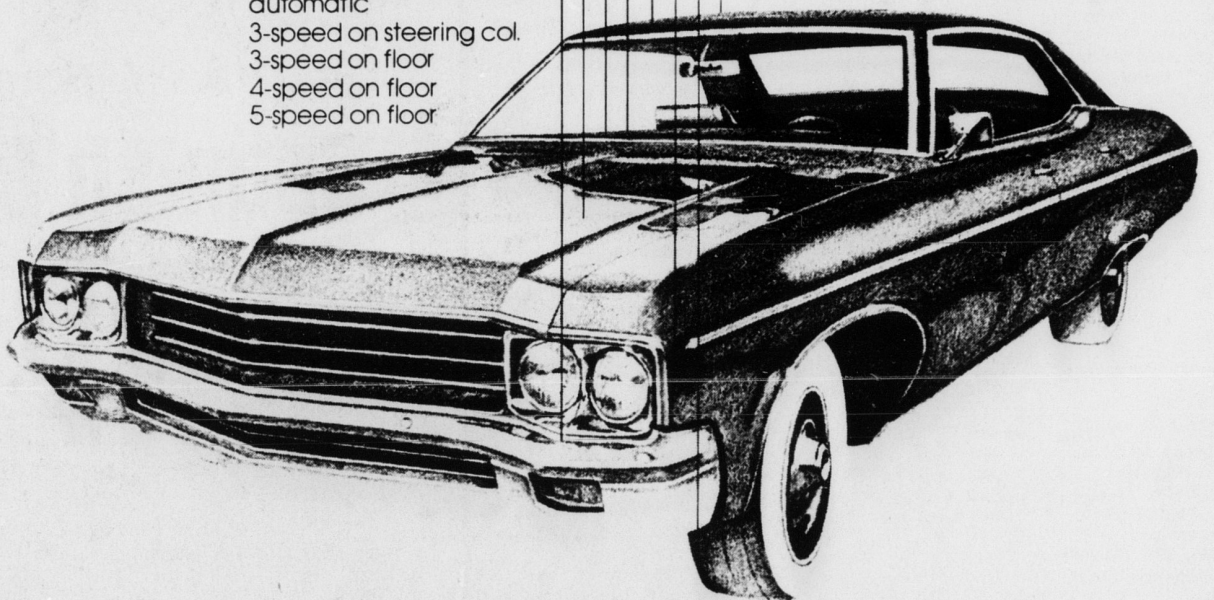
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WHO KNOWS?

1. Define decibel.
2. When was the cornerstone of the Capitol laid?
3. How long is one fathom?
4. Who said, "I only regret that I have but one life to give to my country"?
5. What was his fate?
6. Name the first American astronaut.
7. Name the first President to ride on a train.
8. Who was the first President to travel by jet?
9. Who wrote "Barefoot Boy"?

Answers to Who Knows

1. A unit by which the loudness of sound is measured.
2. September 18, 1793.
3. Six feet.
4. Nathan Hale.
5. He was hung as an American spy by the British. September 22, 1776.
6. Alan B. Shephard Jr.
7. Andrew Jackson in 1833.
8. Dwight D. Eisenhower.
9. John Greenleaf Whittier.

TV COMMENTARY

By John Smiley

THE ARM-CHAIR SPORTS FAN can develop a championship-size tummy as he exercises his appetite while watching television's inventory of athletic fare this TV season.

NBC's coverage of baseball will close the season with the play-offs and World Series. The World Series begins October 14. The All-Star game will be seen in July. Of course, the NBC "Game of the Week" will be back next April.

APPROXIMATELY 190 live telecasts of pro football games will be aired on the three networks. Meantime, ABC begins the first year of its new two-year \$27-million NCAA contract. The year-holidays will be supersaturated with bowl games.

THEN COMES basketball, dribbling on. Beginning January 7, the NBA will be covered

through play-offs and championship. College basketball will be included in the round ball coverage. NBC will air the NCAA Tournament in March. CBS has coverage of the NIT on March 17, 18, 24 and 25.

SANDWICHED between the major sports, also included this year will be an abundance of golf, tennis, bowling, hockey, horse and auto racing, and I don't know what-all! ABC's "Wide World of Sports" will continue to offer the thrill of victory and the agony of defeat in many sport quests.

MATCHING potato chip with potato chip, peanut with peanut and soda pop with soda pop, the arm-chair athlete will be right there when it all happens, gaining pounds instead of victory and sweet contentment instead of defeat.