

Grover Seeding Project Still Draws Controversy

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those who signed the petition filled in our yards to the height of the curb."

Mrs. Dick Eaker said that she didn't give the town permission to dig a ditch on her property and that her "shrubby had been torn to pieces and almost washed away by water. Mayor McCarter said that he didn't think a culvert could be constructed parallel to N.C. 29 but that he would report the drainage problem to the State Highway Department. Mrs. Eaker, who resides on Pine St., said the town paved the road to keep the dust out of her neighbor's house. "I gave you permission to build the road but not the ditch", she contended.

In other business: Mayor McCarter reported that he attended a meeting in Raleigh with officials of EPA on Grover's proposal to "break out of the Gaston County 201 sewer study plan." He said a meeting is scheduled to review the suggested changes on Wed., April 15, at 10:30 a.m. in the Department of Environmental Management office in Raleigh. Before this meeting, Mr. McCarter said he would attend a meeting with representatives of all municipal governments involved, along with their consulting engineers to review the DEM ruling. The county meeting has been set for Friday, April 10, at 10 a.m. in the Department of Social Services Conference Room on York Street directly west of the Gaston County Courthouse.

Mayor McCarter said that engineers are already working on developing a package "just for Grover" and that he was encouraged with response made by EPA officials and engineers at the March 12th meeting. "Grover is all tied up in this 201 study and we need to go ahead with our much needed sewer improvements," he said.

"Our sewage project has been wrapped up in government red tape for the past four years but EPA representatives with whom we talked were of the agreement that Grover should never have been lumped into the greater Gaston 201 facilities plan", he said.

"Our water system is in good shape", he said, but the project can't go out for bids until Clean Water Bonds monies are in hand. In 1980 the system was self-supporting and all indications are that it will be again this year. McCarter said that when the countyline is extended this year from Eaton to Sulzer that

the Town of Grover plans to connect to their system and use water from them only as supplementary or emergency use.

The Mayor said that the new budget will be completed by July 1 and he asked suggestions and comments on items that commissioners would like to see changed. Work sheets were to be mailed to all board members this week.

Comm. Ed Philbeck reported that estimated costs of proposed water line extensions to Spring Acres total \$25,405.00 plus \$10,050. to serve outside city residents on N.C. 226. "We will need to wait until Clean Water Bond funds are approved before taking bids", he said.

Police Comm. Martha Byers reported that city police made 24 arrests during the past month.

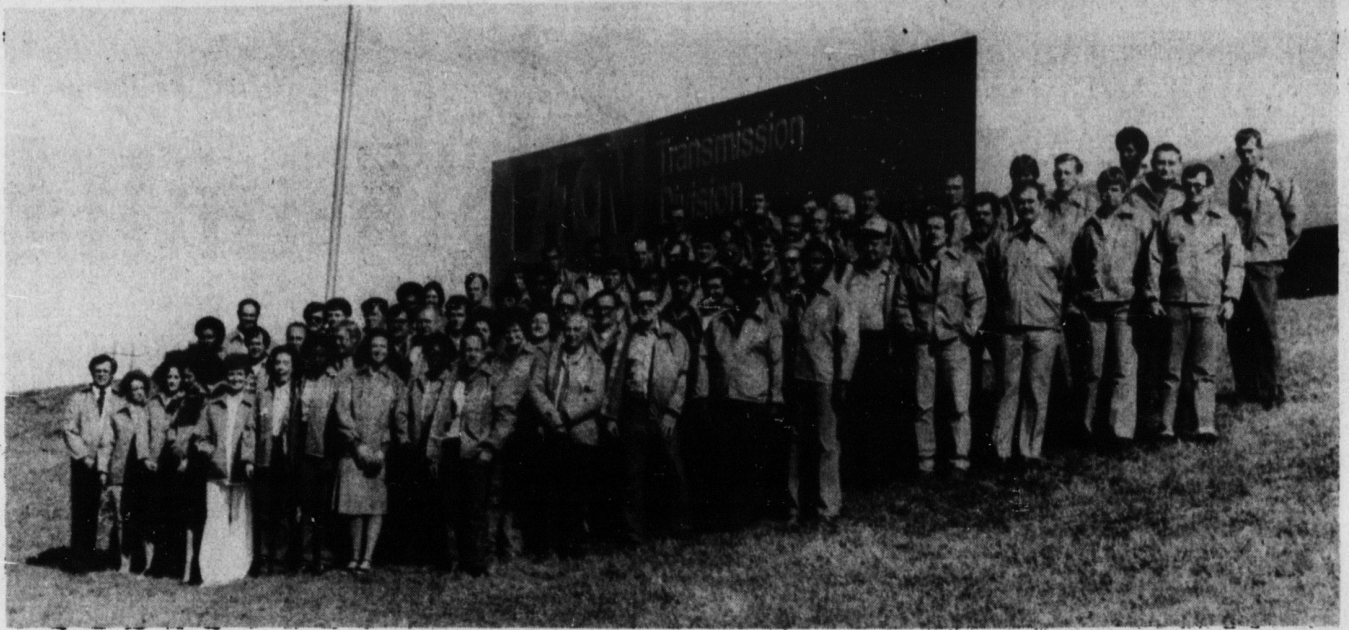


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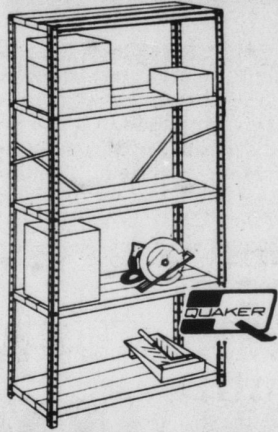
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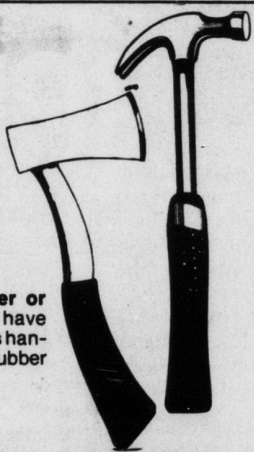
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DEATHS

JOHNNY RICHARD FREEMAN

CROUSE—Funeral services for Johnny Richard Freeman, 58, of Route 1, brother of Joe Freeman of Kings Mountain, were conducted last Thursday afternoon from St. Mark's Lutheran Church of which he was a member. Rev. W. David Wise and Chaplain Jack H. Cooke officiated, and interment was in the church cemetery.

Mr. Freeman was a native of Jackson County, Ga., son of the late Foster and Willie Belle Tucker Freeman. He had retired 15 years ago from Coleman Crocker Foundry of Lowell where he was employed as a cor-maker.

He served in World War II with the U.S. Army 101st Division Paratroopers.

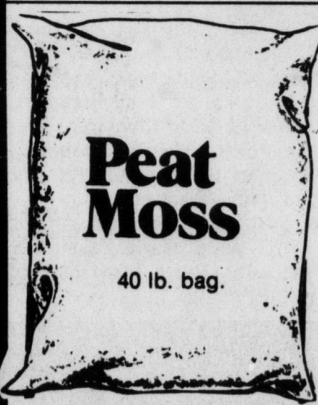
Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Sue Marie McGinnis Freeman; three sons, Johnny David and Ronnie R. Freeman, both of Bessemer City; Donald M. Freeman of Cherryville; a stepson, Dennis C. Harrison of Crouse; two grandchildren; and four other brothers, Earl Freeman of Orlando Fla., Bob Freeman of Greenville, S.C., David Freeman of Hampton, Va. and Sid Freeman of Charlotte.

Funerals

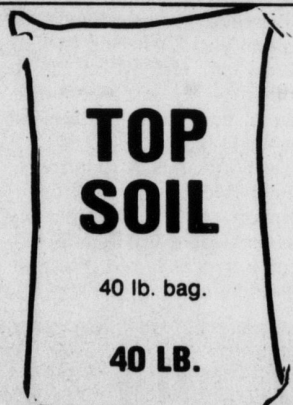
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Catherine Jordan Wood; three brothers; Curtis Wood, Mark Wood and Brian Wood, all of the home; paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Wood of Kings Mountain; and maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Estel Jordan of Gastonia.

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