

Hopping About Tarheelia

BY J. B. HARREN

GOOD NEIGHBORS MEET
EASTERN NORTH CAROLINA - A group of staff members of the Governor's Good Neighbor Council, headed by veteran leader David S. Coltrane, made a series of three-hour supper meetings in 3 principal centers of Tobacco and USA, last week in another of the periods efforts at promoting greater community interracial cooperation in the securing of more and better jobs for Negroes.

Lindsay Merritt is the recent added Negro staffer on the Coltrane-Harrell "train" trying to pull Tarheelia to accord equal neighborly rights and consideration to the colored minority. An able counselor, Merritt can be reached for anything in race relations at P. O. Box 584, Raleigh.

Since Good Neighbor Council meetings (activities) are not generally publicized (less it would inform the enemies of better race relations) we will not mention names of local participants nor their communities.

About half of the fifty persons attending were colored, including a colored councilman and a former Negro councilman. There were mayors and local leaders from as many as a dozen localities at practically each meeting. Some traveled 20 miles. All seemed of one accord, except for a trio of young whites who intruded into the dinner meeting and were reluctantly ushered out by the white proprietor. It was apparent that the young men might have had ulterior motives for coming in.

Smithfield News

BY MRS. L.M. LEE

Through this period of life, some of the greatest decisions are being made. Young people are deciding against, or for education. They are seeking to find their places in the services of the world. Some are selecting their life companions and establishing their homes. They are deciding for or against Christ. They are either on the road to maturity, happiness and success, or the road to delinquency, crime and defeat. The Christians have a great responsibility, trying to locate the unsaved and win them to Christ. We will never be able to solve the juvenile problems, unless the parents put forth every effort to wipe out negligence and idleness.

The beginners Sunday School class is still holding the Attendance Banner. May God bless all of you and May you keep coming every Sunday. The Sunday School Departments are certainly enjoying the beautiful Bibles, which were donated by Mr. J.W. Wall. Music was rendered by the junior choir Sunday morning, under the direction of Mrs. J.W. McLean.

A few young men have organized a club, "The Young Men's Progressive." The officers are as follows, Messrs. Romie Avery, Ed Nixon, Luther Ellis, and Charles Whitaker. The senior choir of Evans Chapel Church had a great celebration Sunday, with several choirs participating. They really had a wonderful time.

Reginald Williams is looking forward to coming home for a Spring vacation.

Students of Smithfield High School, are enjoying their music teacher. They say she is the greatest. May God Bless her and may she forever enjoy her profession.

Last week, some of the town officials were digging and couldn't seem to reach a decision, the place was simply flooded. A person couldn't travel on foot, as you know. The man that knew the town from A to Z, passed on, Mr. Andrew (Toke) Ennis. Therefore, it certainly would be wise if you would sleep with your bedding suits close by, for fear that you might wake up and have to swim out of Smithfield.

All the boys and girls that are interested in going to camp this summer, should start now and contact Mr. W.H. Clayton for plans and details.

A musical program was held at St. Peter's Church on Sunday night. The congregation had a most enjoyable time.

PERSONALS
Mr. J. J. Cox attended a funeral in Bennettsville last Thursday.

Mr. Richard Cox of Goldsboro, spent a few hours here with friends.

Larry McClain spent the weekend with his grandmother.

SICK LIST
Mrs. Mattie Nicholas, Mrs. Mary Forte, and Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Tonkins.

A THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK
"Love Thy Neighbor as Thyself."

of work to be done. Also, Negroes should not go in groups to apply for jobs, but singly, with a pleasant attitude, dignity, courtesy and politeness, and use intelligence in filling out applications. It was noted that many capable workers never advance beyond the receptionist because of a poor display of personality.

A Negro school attendance officer smoothed the way for orderly integration by meeting with the whites about to receive the Negroes as well as with the colored about to transfer. A few meetings coaching turned the trick. This was also recommended for Negroes (all ages) moving into integrated employment or housing.

NASH RETAINS 'FREEDOM OF CHOICE'
NASHVILLE - The Nash County Board of Education last week voted to continue the so-called "Freedom of Choice" plan of public school integration of Negroes into the predominantly white schools. The method was again chosen for the 1967-68 term, in spite of the insistence of federal guidelines to the contrary.

If the "freedom of choice" plan does not produce enough integration to satisfy the federal guidelines, Nash school officials, reportedly, plan to take their chances at effecting a satisfactory adjustment; talking hope from the fact that no federal action has yet been taken due to Nash's current non-compliance.

Meanwhile, Supt. C.H. Fries was instructed by the Board to put into operation the new Fair Labor Standards Act which calls for the raising of salaries of county employment including: maids, janitors, bus drivers and lunchroom workers. Some will get substantial increases. Bus drivers will get raises from the standard \$30 monthly to as much as \$80 in some cases. A few will get less as they will work on an hourly basis.

BETTER NEIGHBORS ASKED

A Negro delegation from the Nash County Voters and Improvement League called upon the Nash County Commissioners to afford the 41 per cent colored population a greater representation in all affairs of the county, including jobs in the area of deputy-sheriffs, welfare and social workers, tax listing, registration offices, and courthouse secretaries.

President of the Voters League A. H. Bryant, merchan P. B. Richardson and merchant William Alston composed the delegation making the requests of the commissioners, which also asked for consultation and recognition in the selection of Negroes of whom the Negro community would approve when the whites and Negroes to committees or boards.

"Following this policy, we believe that more constructive progress will be made and greater unity will be the outcome in our community," the committee said. Other signatories to the "Recommendations" were: W.M. Kingsberry, Richard Cooper, John Harrison, R. C. Boddie, James Johnson and Frank Edwards.

The commissioner agreed to appoint a "bipartite committee" to work for better race relations in the county, and to take under advisement the other requests.

Benson News

BY MRS. FLORIANE J. WYNN

Worship service was called to order by the senior choir, at the St. James Episcopal Church, with the pastor, Rev. Robert Williams in charge. Rev. Williams delivered the morning sermon, his text was taken from Acts 8:31 verse, subject, "We Need A Guide." After a very inspiring sermon, he did some teaching which was taken in seriously by the congregation and members. Pulpit guests were, Rev. Carl Talton of Benson, Mrs. Francis Barfield, who is a resident of Benson and mother of Long Branch Church, gave a brief talk, she also extended the appreciation and thanks to everyone who visited her during her illness, and while she was recuperating.

AROUND TOWN

Sgt. Raymond Merritt, son of Mrs. Patterson, was at home for the weekend.

Mr. Herbert Langston is always welcome to the services of the church and the community. His talks are always interesting.

The pupils returned to school Monday, after a long weekend of playing in the snow.

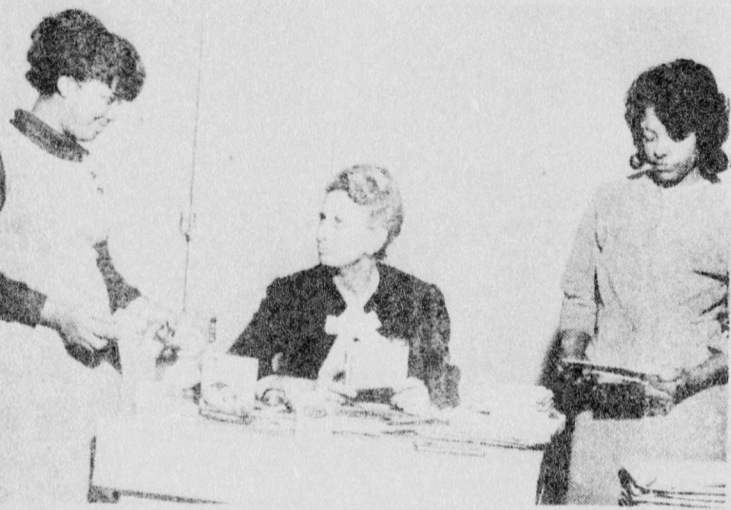
Mr. Preston Allen was able to return to church Sunday, after a long illness.

Candle Light Service will be held this Sunday evening at the Kyles Chapel A.M.E. Church. The Rev. Belfair is pastor.

A triple assault on the disabilities resulting from strokes has been launched by the Veterans Administration hospital at Durham, North Carolina in cooperation with the Duke University Medical Center with the financial assistance of the National Institutes of Health.



WELCOME ABOARD - Police Captain Bernard Carroll, recently appointed to command of the Fourteenth Precinct, serving as Far Northeast-Southeast area in the Nation's Capital, is welcomed to his new post by Robert L. Taylor, Deputy Director of Far Northeast-Southeast Community Service. Standing by is Nathan Robbin, president of the Far Northeast-Southeast Business and Professional Association. The Fourteenth Precinct covers an area of more than eight square miles, with a population of more than 11,000.



STUDENTS DISCUSS CAREERS - Miss Ellen-Ann Dunham, vice-president of General Foods Kitchens in White Plains, N. Y., discusses the work of home economics with General Foods during a visit to the North Carolina College campus in Durham. Standing, left to right, are NCC home economics students Gladys Gibson, a sophomore from Rowland, and Mrs. Patricia Halliday, a senior from Durham.

HOLLY SPRINGS NEWS

BY MISS MARY RICHARDSON

HOLLY SPRINGS - The UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST - Sunday, January 29, marks the fifth Sunday in the new year. Sunday School was opened by the superintendent, Mr. John McNeil, at 10:35 a.m. The subject of the lesson was, "Christ's Mission and Ours." It was taken from Luke 9:18-27, 57-62 verses. Places: Near Bethsaida; probably in Judea Time: A.D. The Sunday school was divided into four classes: Class No. 1, taught by Mrs. Anna Beard; Class No. 2, taught by Mrs. Rose Lassiter; Class No. 3, taught by Mr. Johnny McNeil; Class No. 4, taught by Rev. J.R. Johnson. The lesson was very interesting and inspiring. We also had some inspiring remarks given by our pastor, Rev. J.H. Jones. We were very grateful to have the general superintendent of the Southern District Sunday School Convention, Mr. S. T. Shaw, with us.

After Sunday School, the Missionary Union took charge of the evening service. Rev. J.R. Johnson, the pastor of the New Bethel Johnson United Church of Christ, preached an inspiring sermon. Dinner was served after service.

The junior church wants to thank each and everyone that came and participated on their program, which was given the fifth Sunday night. Service was opened by the junior choir. The scripture lesson was read by Rev. J.H. Jones. Prayer by Rev. A.R. Johnson.

This program consisted of four ministers. Each minister invited a chorus of his choice. Rev. Denning was accompanied by the Chalk Level Gospel Chorus; Rev. Payne was accompanied by the Providence Choir of Fumay-Varna; Rev. McCallister, by the Saint Anna Choir of Willew Springs; and Rev. Campbell, by the Jones Chapel and Williams Grove Choruses of Raleigh.

Each minister preached for 15 minutes. After each sermon, an offering was taken up, by the members of the junior church. Rev. Denning and Chalk Level raised, \$6.84; Rev. Campbell and Jones Chapel raised, \$5.33, and Williams Grove \$7.76. The total collection was, \$10.88. Rev. Jones blessed the offering. The benediction was given by Rev. A.R. Johnson. Refreshments were served by the juniors following the program.

Rhamkatt

BY MRS. LUCILLE ASTON

RHAMKATTE - Sunday School began at Watts Chapel Baptist Church, with the Supt., Mr. Chester Delnam, in charge. Rev. James Avery, was the 11:30 a.m. speaker. He spoke from I Corinthians 11:20-34 verse, subject, "Who May Partake Of The Lord." It was followed by communion. Rev. James Avery was the 7 p.m. speaker. He spoke from Proverbs 5:25 verse, subject, "Prayer Can Be A Waste Of Time."

ANNOUNCEMENTS
Founders Day was held at East Cary Elementary School, Feb. 14, at 8 p.m.

The Junior Ushers met at the Tupper Memorial Baptist Church on Feb. 14, at 8 p.m. The senior city wide Usher's Union will meet at The Watts Chapel Church on Feb. 16, at 8 p.m.

Flowers today were given by Mrs. Estell Jones, in remembrance of her mother, Mrs. Mary Barbee.

SICK
Mrs. Katherine Hemby, Mr. Joseph Glean, Deacon William (Bill) McNeil. Let us pray for the sick and visit them.

A THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK
"I, even I, am the Lord; and beside me there is no saviour. Isaiah 43:11 verse.

Franklinton

FRANKLINTON - The Snag-dragon Garden Club met, February 8, at the home of Mrs. W.W. Morgan, in Youngsville, at 7:30 p.m., with the Vice-president, Mrs. F.B. Holt, in charge.

The agenda consisted of a general business session. The hostess served a delicious repast to the following members: Mesdames F. B. Holt, Marie Johnson, L.M. Bussey and Alice Tabron.

SICK LIST:
Mr. John S. Wilder, Mr. Anderson Shaw, Mrs. Irene Mangum, Mrs. Louise Yarborough, Mrs. Julia Yarborough, Mr. John Harvey, and Mr. Moses Whitley.

Pleasant Grove

BY JUDY WHITE AND DALPHINE FERGUSON

PLEASANT GROVE --On January 26, the seventh grade section c, sponsored a one act play entitled, "On Trial...Case of the abused Punctuation Marks."

Students participating in the program were; Louie Williams, judge; Dennis Richmond, prosecuting attorney; James Poteat, defense attorney; Josephine Woods, defendant; Patsy Long, the Polly period; Vernell Vincent, the queen question mark; Donald Miles, John comma; Geraldine Chapel, teacher; Willie Vincent, Court clerk; David King, the ballif; James Banks, Johnny Graves, Lonnie Woods and Donnell Thompson, were the members of the jury. James Johnson and John Pennix were the spectators.

The defendant was accused of abusing the punctuation marks in her reading, writing, and language classes. Her teacher and some of the punctuation marks testified against her. After hearing all the evidence, the jury found the defendant guilty, but recommended leniency. The judge said that she should have a complete physical examination, learn the use and importance of punctuation marks, and report back to him during the spring vacation. The program was closed with a song, "It's A Small World," sung by the audience. Mrs. E.L. Almer is the class teacher.

A PAGEANT

Out of the Dark, was presented, February 2, by the fifth grade class. The program was as follows, characters, chronicle, narrator. Dramatic Interludes and Tableaux, Phillis Wheatley, Benjamin Banneker, Frederick Douglas, Sojourner Truth. Music -- My Lord, What A Morning. Booker T. Washington, Paul Lawrence Dunbar, Music -- Deep River. Children of Genius: Music, Literature, Science and Art. Music -- Negro National Hymn. Music by Miss C.S. Wade. Mr. W. Student is the advisor.

The second grade, section A, gave its class program on Thursday morning, February 9th. The program centered around Lincoln. The student body had an opportunity to hear this class tell about Lincoln's latter life and his death, his father, Lincoln's early life, his latter life and his death. The class sang, America, God Bless America, United We Stand and This is My Country. Also the class did a square dance and a Belgium dance, "Chimes of Dunkirk." The entire class participated in the program. The announcers were, Carolyn Jones and Gail Burnette.

Parents present were: Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Burnette, Mrs. Jattie Burnette, Mrs. Alfreda Watkins, Miss Addie Parker, Mrs. Maggie Jones, and Mr. Clarence Jones.

Mrs. F.B. Kirk is the teacher of the class. The programs were enjoyed by all present.

Cooper High

BY JOAN HOOD

COOPER HIGH REPORTER
CLAYTON - Cooper rallied to its 18th win of the season. They met the Lions of Shepherd in the Shepherd gymnasium Tuesday, Feb. 7. The game remained close throughout. As the game to a close the score was tied. The score was 46-46. The game went into 3 minutes overtime. Cooper then rallied to win the game 52-48.

Snow! Snow! Snow! That was the by-word of the students as the day really became blanketed. Although it was a joy to some, it was a disappointment to others, especially to the seniors. That only added another day before that great day could come around. But yet it brought about a long weekend. Everyone slipped on home to enjoy the treat of their lives. They had hopes that school would not re-sume on Monday but as it would be school resumed as normal. All signs of snow vanished.

Princeton

BY MRS. GOLDIE L. HARDY

PRINCETON --Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Atkinson, Jr., and son Larry, visited their daughters who are attending North Carolina College in Durham, Sunday.

Miss Marie Rawlings visited her uncle, Mr. Arthur Vickers in Lutherfordton, Sunday of last week. Miss Rawlings also visited a friend in Raleigh Sunday, Mrs. Barbara Herring, Jr.

Mrs. Jacqueline Wiley of Washington, D.C., visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Stevens, Sunday and other relatives and friends.

Mrs. Nancy Howell, Mrs. Goldie Lee Hardy, attended services at the Shady Grove Primitive Baptist Church in Pineville, Sunday morning. Elder Robert Rerris of Wilson, the pastor and other elders participated in the services. The sermons were enjoyed by everyone present.

Chavis Height

BY MRS. CARLOTTE MERRITT

CHAVIS HEIGHTS --All families of Chavis Heights and elsewhere, are in deep sympathy with the postman of Chavis Heights Community, Mr. Alge Roy Henderson, in the death of his father, Mr. James Henderson. Also they are in sympathy with Mr. and Mrs. John High and family, in the death of Mr. High's brother, Mr. James High.

NEWS & VIEWS

BY J. B. HARREN

LET'S SAVE AMERICA

ROCKY MOUNT - This, our beloved nation, is now facing the gravest crisis since the early days of liberation from the British and organization into a United States.

What with so much internal strife, bickerings, racial divisions, hatred and anti-American groups working to keep the people divided - with little regard for the human, moral or religious rights of all the people; while we lose thousands of men in far away places trying to preserve the freedoms of millions who already enjoy greater freedom than millions of darkskinned Americans, especially in our Southland! There are many "subversive" groups other than communists.

This is "Brotherhood" Week (?) it will be observed 51 more weeks in the year rather than just one week. This is the week we make nice platitudes about being kind to others of another race which, much like our New Year's resolu-

tions, are too often soon forgotten or at least neglected. In an interracial church exchange Sunday, a white attorney asked his colored hearers to "...try to make it a point... daily or each week to speak, kindly, with at least one white person on the matter of race relations" in an effort to bring about better interracial relations and to improve the communications and neighborliness among all Americans. He said he was asking his white brethren to do likewise. We go along with that program strongly. This writer has long since found it will bear fruit, even though slowly. If Negroes and whites will start making it a point to greet each other with a genuine kindly "Good morning," "Good evening," or "Howdy-do sir," it will go a long way to building better brotherhood.

The scourges of this nation, especially the South, have been: Sin, Slavery, Segregation and Ignorance, plus a stubbornness to throw off all of them!

Son Of Insurance Founder Buried In Durham

DURHAM - The final chapter of the history of the male descendants of the two founders of the North Carolina Mutual Life Insurance was written here Saturday when the Rev. Phillip Cousin delivered the eulogy for Edward Richard Merrick, 79, the eldest son of John and Martha Merrick, and a symbol of the insurance company for more than a half century.

Ed, as he was known from boyhood, was the oldest of five born to the Merricks and virtually grew up in the North Carolina Mutual Life Insurance Company. He retired as treasurer of the company sometime ago and it is believed that his knowledge of stocks and bonds and his conservative mannerism enabled the company to realize greater profits on its investments.

He received his education in the city schools and North Carolina Agricultural and Technical College at Greensboro, where he graduated in 1908. He got his start with the insurance company as an office boy during summer vacations, and became administrative assistant in the home office in 1906. In 1909, he was named a traveling agent for North and South Carolina, and opened the firm's offices in Georgia, the third state in which the firm began operations. In 1911, he was elected to the board of directors and was appointed assistant secretary in 1915.

In 1929, he became treasurer, succeeding the late C. C. Spaulding, who was named president at the death of Dr. A. M. Moore, one of the co-founders of the firm.

He was named vice president and treasurer in 1934, and held the office of treasurer for 34 years in all. He retired in 1957 after 49 years of service to the firm.

He had served as chairman of the board of directors of Mutual Savings and Loan Association, where he had served in every official capacity since 1921, member of the board and executive committee of Mechanics and Farmers Bank; member of the board of Lincoln Hospital; and trustee of A&T College. He received an honorary Doctor of Humanities degree from his alma mater and served as one of three organizers of the alumni scholarship fund. He had served as treasurer since its inception 15 years ago.

He was a member of the board of John Avery Boys' Club, a member of Kappa Alpha Psi social fraternity, chairman of the board of Union Insurance and Realty Co. and member of the board of Directors Bankers Fire and Casualty Insurance Co.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Lyda Moore Merrick; two daughters, Mrs. Joseph Sansom of Raleigh and Mrs. Charles D. Watts of Durham; one sister, Mrs. Mabel Bruce of Winston-Salem; and eight grandchildren.

cooking hints
BY Mary Blake CARNATION HOME SERVICE DIRECTOR

Use leftover ham to make Delicious Spring-time Ham Loaf. You'll find it's extra-moist and delicious because it's made with Carnation Evaporated Milk, the milk so rich it even whips. Use whipped Carnation in the light, fluffy Mustard Sauce that accompanies the Ham Loaf. Your Family will think it's great!

SPRING-TIME HAM LOAF
(Makes 6 to 8 servings)

- 1 pound ground smoked ham
- 1 pound ground fresh pork
- 2/3 cup fine dry bread crumbs
- 1/2 cup finely chopped onion
- 2/3 cup (small can) undiluted Carnation Evaporated Milk
- 1 slightly beaten egg
- 1/4 teaspoon cayenne
- 1/4 teaspoon paprika
- 1/4 teaspoon crushed rosemary

Combine all ingredients. Mix lightly but thoroughly. Press into 9x5x3-inch loaf pan. Unmold into shallow baking dish. Bake in moderate oven (350°F.) 1 1/2 hours. Garnish with sprigs of parsley. Serve immediately with Mustard Sauce.

MUSTARD SAUCE
(Makes about 2 cups)

- 2 beaten egg yolks
- 1 tablespoon sugar
- 3 tablespoons prepared mustard
- 2 tablespoons cider vinegar
- 1 tablespoon water
- 3/4 teaspoon salt
- 1 tablespoon butter
- 1 tablespoon prepared horseradish
- 1/2 cup undiluted Carnation Evaporated Milk
- 1 tablespoon lemon juice

Place egg yolks, sugar, mustard, vinegar, water and salt in top of double boiler. Cook over hot water (not boiling) stirring constantly until mixture thickens, 4-5 minutes. Blend in butter and horseradish. Cool thoroughly. Chill Carnation in refrigerator tray until soft ice crystals form around edges of tray (10 to 15 minutes). Whip until stiff (1 minute). Add lemon juice. Whip until very stiff (1 minute longer). Fold into egg mixture. Serve with hot ham loaf or store in the refrigerator (remove 30 minutes before serving).