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Apex News

BY MRS. LOUISE COLVIN

APEX - The young adult choir of First Baptist Church was in charge of the devotions for the 11 o'clock worship service. Miss Jacqueline Williams was soloist and pianist.

The pastor, Rev. J. E. Perkins, took his text from the Book of John 17: 11 and used as his theme "The Oneness of Christ." Visitors worshipping with us were Earnest E. Ratliff, Johnny R. Taylor of Holly Springs, Floyd Davis, Jr., a student at Shaw University from Washington, D. C. and Mr. and Mrs. Hazel Lee of New Hill. First Baptist welcomes visitors always.

Sunday at 5 p.m. Mrs. Louise Colvin sponsored a program at First Baptist. Rev. William Y. Davis, pastor of the Mitchell Memorial Baptist Church of Smithfield, was the guest speaker. He took his text from the Book of Romans 12:1 and used as his subject "A Charge To Keep I Have." Accompanying him was a portion of the St. Mary's AME Church choir. The occasion was a baby contest. The babies and mothers were Sheila Bullock, mother, Mrs. Helen Bullock, first prize; Mark Edward Sneed, mother, Mrs. Marjorie Sneed, second prize; Renee Coffield, mother, Mrs. Teresa Coffield, third prize; Shelia Perkins, mother, Mrs. Carrie Perkins, fourth place. Other babies and mothers were Delphine Wilson, mother, Mrs. Barbara Wilson; Renee Thorpe, mother, Mrs. Dorothy Thorpe and Phyllis Ray, mother, Mrs. Jessie Ray.

We were sorry to receive news that Rev. Isaac Irving became ill and could not serve but we are grateful to Rev. Davis for serving in his place and to the choir, and on behalf of the entire church and the sponsor, we greatly appreciate the very splendid support from the mothers and babies, especially to Mrs. Sneed and Mrs. Wilson, who are nice members, but worked so diligently in our behalf. We also thank Mr. Leon Herndon for his interest shown. It was an enjoyable service.

Sunday at 5 p.m. the First Baptist Church will observe the pastor, Rev. J. E. Perkins', third anniversary. Rev. U. S. Wade and his people of the St. Mary's Freewill Baptist Church will render the services. All of the local churches and friends are invited to attend.

The entire community extends its sincerest sympathy to the McClain family in the loss of their mother, Mrs. Hersey McClain, who was funeralized Monday afternoon at 3 at the St. Mary's AME Church, with Rev. L. H. Welch officiating. Burial was in the Sweet Springs Church cemetery. Surviving are 7 sons and 3 daughters.

We also extend our deepest sympathy to the Hayes families in the loss of their brother, Mr. Theodore Hayes, who passed in Brooklyn, N. Y. on Sunday. Funeral arrangements are incomplete at this writing.

PERSONALS

Little Richard Colvin of Newark, N. J. is down to spend the summer with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Cadd Colvin. He is the son of Miss Carolyn Colvin of Newark, N. J.

Airman First Class Robert E. Coffield is home with his wife, Teresa and daughter, Renee, on a 30-day leave. He has been home over half the 30 days. "The time is going much

too fast for my departure," he says.

Job Corps Grads Set High Goals

WASHINGTON - About two years ago, Edna Lynch and Debbie Gwynn, both from small Southern towns, were out of work and didn't have much hope for employment.

But today, after a little more than a year of training in the Job Corps, both are holding down jobs as secretaries with the Labor Department's Bureau of Apprenticeship and Training here.

And graduates--while "very happy" with their present Government jobs--are pointing toward higher occupational goals.

Miss Gwynn, of Mt. Airy, N. C., is studying elementary education at a local college to become a teacher and Miss Lynch, of Notasulka, Ala., eventually plans to start college.

Miss Lynch became a corpswoman in Excelsior Springs, Miss. In August, 1969, pursued a business course, and chose clerk-typist as her vocation.

When she graduated in October, 1970, she was sent to Washington, D. C., for on-the-job training (OJT) in BAT's Office of Special (International) Activities. After two months of training, she was hired as a secretary.

Her office administers industrial training programs for foreign participants who are brought to the United States under the sponsorship of the



SCHOOL ASSISTANCE AWARD WINNERS - The J. W. Ligon Awards Day Program was a usual, highlight of the school's assembly programs. At this time students who excelled in various school activities, academically and extracurricula were rewarded with plaques, certificates and monetary gifts. Alpha Kappa Alpha Debutantes who had given service to their school and community were recognized on Awards Day. The Award winners - left to right: Cheryl Poole, Phyllis Bates, Pattie Hinton, Vicki Sanders, Doris Hinton, Walden Crowder, Toni Bridges. Standing - left to right: Lynda Rowe, Frances Branch, Christine Gale, Catherine Asburg, Elsie Lundy, Velvet Ruffin, Janice Evans, Denise Craven and Fay Cox. Awards and Scholarships will be given to other Debutantes at Enloe, Sanderson and Broughton High Schools and also to out of town Debs who qualify academically and also the area of service.

Agency International Development, the United Nations, and the International Labor Organization.

"My work is very exciting," she says, "and I am lucky to be working with such wonderful people. I say hurray to Job Corps! Without their help, I wouldn't be where I am today. Job Corps can give you basic training in whatever you eventually want to learn."

The Reality Of

A Long-Time Dream

BY REV. WALTER M. PHILLIPS

APEX - The Advisory Committee of Wake Opportunities met in regular session last Thursday. The agenda called for the recommendation of a community worker for the Sunset Acres-Holly Springs-Fuquay-Varina area, with duties entailing coordinating social welfare interests, and contacting, and being helpful to people in need.

Mrs. Betty Merritt Lawrence is being submitted to the Board of Wake Opportunities for its approval, because she is a dedicated, and qualified, and a lover-of-people worker. She is now a volunteer tutorial activist who doesn't limit the hours freely given to help those who need her talents.

SCHOLARSHIP/WORK ASSISTANCE

Representatives of Industry, school and Church were in a luncheon - advisory meeting last Friday at Spain's Restaurant, Rt. 55 Apex, to dine on shrimp, and to select the four most eligible high-school seniors for the scholarship/Work Assistance awards.

The principals of Apex Elementary and High Schools, the pastor of First Baptist, North Salem St., and this writer were in deep and prayerful discussions for over an hour. The final decisions were for recipients:

1st-Debra Page, 2nd-Shirley Allen, 3rd Jacqueline Walden, 4th Phyllis Luther. Their interests were Page, Spanish; Allen, English; Walden, modeling; Luther, art.

We have information that Lufkins Engineering will join Schiefflins Chemicals in these scholarships next year.

The semi-monthly meeting of the Sunset Civic League was

held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Mayfield Woodard.

First on the agenda was the selection and discussion of the ten priorities among the urgent needs of the community. We believe local hospital care, family planning, care for the mentally ill, and ambulance service were among the foremost priorities.

Mr. Marvin Utley, our local sanitation engineer and air-condition expert, informed the assembly of an offer of a one-room office building made by Mr. Rose, an automobile dealer. After the close of the meeting, the men, messes, Woodard, Utley, Lipscomb the writer, went to see Mr. Rose. An agreement was reached. Thanks to Mr. Woodard, the house is on our playground. Additions will be made to it.

The Federal Summer-Lunch program for children was agreed to and a letter was drawn up and sent to Wake Opportunities. The lunches, when the program is finalized, will be the same nutritionally, as the regular school food program.

We are asking all parents to participate. The cost, 12 cents a meal. Present at meeting were mesdames Raines, Lipscomb, Burt, McQueen, Miss Gail Burt.

Mother's Day services were a success at Freedom South. The Rev. Sister Avery and an associate brought messages of commendation to motherhood. In the afternoon, a playlet, also a tribute to mothers, was offered. All these were under the leadership of the women of the Church. The pastor was kindly excused, for graduation from Shaw University Divinity School.

Enrolled at the Job Corps Center in Charleston, W. Va., Miss Gwynn also studied to be a clerk-typist. While a student, she was active in extra-curricular activities. She was in student government, chairwoman of her floor, a residential assistant, a member of the gospel chorus and speech choir, and a volunteer worker with the Union Mission Children's Home.

After graduation in December, 1969, she came to BAT for the first time to do 4 weeks OJT in the Office of the Deputy Administrator. After her training, however, she returned to Charleston and became a clerk-typist in a local bank. Seven months passed before she returned to Washington, D. C., for a job interview at the Pentagon.

She did not take that job, however, because she heard that there was an opening in BAT. In October 1970, she resumed employment with the bureau as a secretary in the Office of the Special Assistant to the Administrator.

In revising job descriptions and functions in hospitals, the Labor Department has found an increase of 55 occupations over the past 19 years.

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Univ. Given Grants Of \$732,991

WINSTON-SALEM - Dr. Kenneth B. Williams, president of Winston-Salem State University, has announced that the university has received four federal grants totaling \$732,991 from the Department of Health, Education and Welfare.

The Office of Education awarded a College Work Study grant for \$276,242, a National Defense Student Loan grant for \$188,928, a Title III grant for \$144,500 and an Economic Opportunity grant for \$123,321.

With the Upward Bound grant for \$103,397, awarded in March, The Department of Health, Education and Welfare has awarded a total of \$836,288 in federal grants to Winston-Salem State.