

# GABBING About Town

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## WHAT IS IT ABOUT A KIND SMILE?

What is it about a kind smile, that touches someone's heart? That causes someone else to smile, and see their frowns depart?

What is it about a kind smile, that makes a brand new friend; That binds two people hand and hand.

In friendship that want end? What is it about a kind smile? That others can't resist? And find themselves returning it. As if you did insist?

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Happy birthday greetings are extended to Chestive Banks of the Idlewood section, who celebrated her 6th birthday on Monday, Jan. 15th. She is the daughter of Mrs. Anita Banks Waller and the granddaughter of Mrs. Erma Banks Jones of 530 E. Cabarrus Street. We join with others in wishing you a happy birthday and pray that you will live to celebrate many, many more. A big party is planned for her on Tuesday.

## RETURNS HOME

Mrs. Marie Moore of 551 E. Lenoir St., have returned to her home here after spending and enjoying the holidays in Detroit, Michigan, visiting with her brother and his family, Mr. Thomas Simms. She has reported a most enjoyable trip and stay.

## RETURNS FROM AIRPLANE FLIGHT

Mrs. Ida J. Thorpe of 1603 E. Edenton Street and grandson, Dennis Williams, of Prospect Ave., have returned to the city

after an airplane flight to Shreveburg, N.J. where they spent the holidays visiting with Mr. and Mrs. John W. Lackette and children. Mrs. Lackette is the former Miss Gloria Thorpe of this city. While there, they were joined by Dennis' mother, Mrs. Doris Thorpe Williams who surprised them as she too walked in. They stopped in Washington, D.C. where they visited with other members of the family. They have reported a most delightful and exciting trip.

## PEN RALLY PLANNED

The officers of Rush Metropolitan A.M.E. Zion Church will sponsor a "Pen Rally" on Sunday afternoon, Jan. 21st at 4 p.m. A specially arranged program is in store for all who may attend. The public is invited. Rev. B. C. Young, Sr. is the pastor.

## RETURNS HOME

Welcome home to Mrs. Lessie Dunston of 319 S. Haywood St. after spending one month in Rosedale, N.Y. with her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Omece Jones. Mrs. Dunston was with her son for their house warming. Among the guests were Dr. J. Thomas, who blessed the home with a prayer. Lawyer R. W. Caston an immigration official and air crew personnel. There were at least 75 couples in attendance, also. We join with others in saying congratulations to our "home boy."

## NOTE

Thanks always for your calls and correspondences. Writing is our business.

# PETE'S PICKINS

BY W. A. "PETE" WILDER

Mr. and Mrs. Julius Riddick, Washington, D. C. and Mr. James Riddick, Baltimore, Md., were called home recently on account of death in the family.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Evans, Springfield, Mass. and Mr. Lemuel Jones, Washington, D. C. were the recent guests of Mrs. Millard Jones, Jr., Louisburg Road. Mrs. Roy Evans is the former Mrs. Mary Jones Hall, this city. Mrs. Mary Dunn of the St. Matthew Baptist Church area, Louisburg Road, was reported in Wake Memorial Hospital. Her many friends wish for her a rapid recovery.

Mrs. Bessie H. Chavis, 429 Alston Street is reported as "resting well" at Wake Memorial Hospital. Mrs. Chavis has been a life long member of St. Matthew A.M.E. Church and an outstanding member of the Elks Lodge and a public spirited citizen. Her many friends regret her illness.

Mrs. Julia Burton, a member of the Progressive Social Club, and a resident of Rich Park Homes, is on the sick and shut-in list. Members of the club and friends join me in wishing for her a rapid recovery.

Mrs. Florence Sanders, Delany, Dr., remains on our sick and shut-in list. Her many friends wish for her a steady recovery.

Mrs. Viola Pearson, Cannister St., has returned to the city following an extended stay in Fort Worth, Texas, visiting her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Wilder, Jr. and family. On her way back, she stopped at Dallas, Texas for a short spin with Prof. J. Mayo "Dit" Wilder.

Miss Marie Alston, E. Martin St., returned to Winston-Salem State University after a delightful Christmas stay with her mother, Mrs. Jennie Mae Alston and her aunt, Mrs. Gladys Phillips.

Raleigh could very well hang its head in shame politically. In a local paper I saw the combined photographs of Michael, Frye and Johnson, representing Durham, Greensboro and Robersonville. What about Raleigh, Winston-Salem, Asheville and Charlotte? Don't you think it is time to forget differences, even party affiliations, if necessary, and send SOMEBODY? As my good friend, "Iron Mike" often says, "We are overdue."

Miss Mabel Anders, S. Person St., returned to the city after a most eventful trip to her native home, Jacksonville.

The battle of the month starts at St. Matthew A.M.E. Church on Jan. 28. It is the old calendar affair, but under the leadership of Miss Bessie L. Wallace, a new dynamic who seems to be taking over. Miss Wallace leads the persons born in January and she has quite an array. The whole church and its young minister, Rev. D. L. Morrison, are watching the January kick off.

The Elks Council had its regular session and belated Christmas party Sunday, January 13 at the Elks Home, 619 E. Davie St. It was the event of the year so far. It had glamour, religious fervor, fanfare, fun and food. The meeting opened with the Lord's Prayer, led by Lord General Parker of Henderson. The 13th chapter of I O O F was recited by the Rev. Chaplain Fanny McClain. Jesus Keep Me Near the Cross was sung by the entire group. Daughter Florence Moore gave a most interesting under the subject — the realistic side. The group sang spiritually We Shall Overcome. Daughter Moore then presented the social committee of the Progress and Baxter Council. As far as I have been able to learn the committee is composed of the following: Daughter Arlean Davis of Durham,

Daughter Mildred Council of Chapel Hill, Daughter Eva Gooch of Henderson, Daughter Lillie Turner and Daughter Brooksie Farrar, all of Raleigh. Bro. Hardin Lee, Raleigh; Bro. Lord G. Parker, Henderson; Bro. Roy Upchurch, Raleigh and Bro. George Gooch of Henderson also served. Helpers were Daughters Lillian Barker, Martha Rivers and Flossie Hunter. The social committee presented to Lord Daughter Ruler Evelyn Franklin and Chief Antler Hilton Riddick symbols of appreciation. While both Daughter Ruler Franklin and Chief Antler Riddick seemed taken by surprise, words of praise and thankfulness once started and flowed as gently as an evening Zephyr. But the gifts were not over — as exchanges were distributed to all.

After the gift exchange everyone was served a most delectable repast.

Can you imagine this? roast beef, whole boiled potatoes, green beans, cherry pie, apple pie, coconut pie and hot coffee. Ladies and gents, the platters were extremely heavy.

Among those present were Mrs. Mildred Council, Robert McCowan and Mrs. Alice McCowan of Durham, Mr. Melvin Parker, Robert Collins, Daughter Mae White, Daughter Jacquetta Britton, Bro. Richard Waller, Daughter Dorothy Blakeney, all of Durham. Durham had more attendants. Let me hurry — Daughter Hattie Singleton, Daughter Catherine Leslie and Bro. Julius Barbee. Local guests included Raymond Jones of Jones Barber Shop and little Johnnie Jones, Mrs. Evelyn Edwards, Gary Chalmers, Miss Carrie Morgan, Isaac "Fat Daddy" McClain, Mr. and Mrs. George Gooch, of Henderson, were not only present but pleasant.

Somewhere along the line I left out the name of my man, Pete Moss. Pete is a moving spirit in the council. I saw Lawrence Townes seated at a back table eating to his heart's content. I wonder if he was a "late Christmas celebrant." No work of the council can be praised too highly without mentioning the work of Exalted Ruler Julius Haywood, the co-operativeness of state officers, Adolphus Vance, Hough Rouse and Daughter Bessie Lou Wallace. Believe it or not, they make an almost unbeatable combination. The local lodge supports them to the hilt.

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The Sedates Social Club held its Christmas meeting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Edward T. Winston, 807 E. Edenton St. The evening was most entertaining. The following members were present: Mrs. Beatrix Flowers, president; Mrs. Alice Collins, chairman, social committee; Mrs. Ann Hough, reporter; Miss Lillian Sturdivant, Mrs. Adelle Bridgford, Mrs. Mattie Webb, Mrs. Alice Montague, Miss Alyce Lewis, Mrs. Ruby Thompson, Mrs. Florence Moore and Mrs. Mayola Winston.

Miss Sarah E. Davis did not attend due to illness and Mrs. Laura Williams was absent because of death in the family. We also missed Mrs. Dorothy Petty, who should have brought William along.

Guests attending were Mrs. Lillian Hill, New York City; Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Jones and Mrs. Martha McCullers, Washington, D. C.; Lawrence Collins, William Jones, Miss Delia Bell, Miss Susie Barnes, Earl Dunston, Geno Robertson, Edward Winston, of Raleigh; James Cheek, Norfolk, Va., and John Hartsfield of Ohio.

It was not only the joy of Christmas, but happy birthday for Miss Alyce Lewis. She received many beautiful and useful gifts. We also exchanged gifts among ourselves.

Airman Williams' father, Nelson Williams, resides at 2635 Davis St. Raleigh.

## PROMOTED TO SGT.

SUMTER, S. C. — Artis A. McCabe, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Artis A. McCabe, Sr., 809 Fitzgerald Drive, Raleigh has been promoted to sergeant in the U. S. Air Force.

Sergeant McCabe, an aerospace control and warning operator at Shaw AFB, S. C., serves with a unit of the Tactical Air Command which provides air support for combat units of U. S. ground forces. He has completed a combat tour in Vietnam.

The sergeant is a 1970 graduate of J. W. Ligon High School.

His wife, Mattie, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Willie T. R. Howell, Rt. 2, Raleigh.

## ELKS HOLD MEET HERE

Last Sunday afternoon, the Progressive Council and Baxter's Council of the Improved, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of the World held its annual program at the Elks Home, 619 E. Davie St. Mistress of the social session was Loyol Dgtr. Florine Moore, along with her helpers. The food was delicious and the Home decorated very pretty. It was a very beautiful affair.

Members and guests present were Gilbert Morgan, Artis McCoy, Thomas D. Wilder, Walter Braxton, Dennis Taylor, Reginald N. Harris, H. C. Pearson, Isaac McLean, Julius R. Haywood, M. Parker, J. O. Artis, Hardee Lee, Elliard Harrison, George Gooche, Louis Dunbar, Samuel Jones, Hazel Cathcart, Bro. Nunn, Richard Waller, Robert Collins, Robert McCowan, Leroy Upchurch, Bro. Barber, Gathier Harris and Housekeeper Crews and H. V. Rouse. The affair was enjoyed by all. Many received new year's gifts and surprises.

Also present were Hattie Singleton of Durham; Freddie Mae Williams, Mable Mitchell, Eva Coadie, Jacquitta Britten, Durham; Dgtr. Martha Dunn, Dorothy Barker, Rosa Adams, Joella Jones, Addie Walton, Pauline Mayo, Lillian Moore, Bro. Hugh Mangum, Irene R. Jackson of Chapel Hill; Eva Gooch, Henderson; Mildred Walker, Agnes McCabe, Artis McCabe, Lillie Turner, Mary Little and guest, Elizabeth Pugh.

Others were Mildred Council of Chapel Hill; Gladys Lassiter, Helen Starks, Pete Moss, Aretha King, Jessie Nunn, Minnie Purvis of Durham; Iona M. White of Durham; Sargena Solomon, Aileen Brown, Durham; Mary Patterson, Durham; Dorothy Blakeney, Mrs. Lillie Murphy, Catherine G. Leslie, Olean Davis, Alice McCowan, all of Durham, Melvina Ferrell, Blanche Massey, Mary White, Margaret Thomas, Willie White, all of Raleigh and Minnie Forte and General L. Parker of Durham.

## PERSONALS

ARRIVES FOR DUTY  
AGUADILLA, P. R. — U. S. Air Force Sergeant Donnie L. Ballentine, son of Mr. and Mrs. Milton Ballentine, 4013 Holly Springs Road, Raleigh, has arrived for duty at Ramey AFB, P. R.

Sergeant Ballentine, a communication equipment repairman, is assigned to a unit of the Air Force Communications Service. He previously served at Robin AFB, Ga.

The sergeant is a 1969 graduate of Cary High School.

LANSTUHL, Germany — Airman First Class James G. Williams, son of Mrs. Annie R. Williams of 1106 E. Martin St., Raleigh, has arrived for duty at Ramstein AB, Germany.

Airman Williams, a vehicle operator, is assigned to a unit of the U. S. Air Force in Europe, America's overseas air arm assigned to NATO. He previously served at Seymour Johnson AFB.

A 1970 graduate of N. B. Broughton High School, the airman attended W. W. Holding Technical Institute. His wife, Deborah, is the daughter of Lonnie Hartsfield, 3311 Holly Springs Road, Raleigh.

YWCA BEGINS WINTER CLASS  
The East Raleigh Branch, YWCA, will begin winter classes the week of January 22. Registration will start January 15. A YWCA membership is required for all activities and classes.

ADULT CLASS  
Typing: Mrs. Esther Newkirk, instr. or, Monday night, 7:30-9:30 p.m.  
Beginner Sewing: Mrs. Leanne Woody, instructor, Tuesday night, 7:30-9:30 p.m.

Slip Covering: Mrs. Ivory Hawkins, instructor, Wednesday night, 7:30-9:30 p.m.  
Knitting and Crocheting: Mrs. Mattie Mayo, instructor, Wednesday night, 7:30-9:30 p.m.

Driver Education: Miss Gilda Mullins, instructor, Thurs. and Mon. nights, 7-8:30 p.m. Thurs. and Mon. morning, 10:30-noon.  
Slimnastics: Mrs. Delores Peterson, instructor, Mon. and Wed. morning, 10-11 a.m.

CHILDREN CLASSES  
Basic Tumbling: Mrs. Leanne



BY MRS. MAE L. BROADIE

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## Much credit is due the

Biblical writers for their insights and understanding despite their lack of scientific knowledge. In the light of modern astronomy the heavens declare the glory of God in a far greater way than the Psalmist could visualize. As today we delve into the earth and explore in space, we gather more and more evidence that we live in a universe of unimaginable space and time. Geology provides evidence that some rock formations are some billions of years old. Studies give evidence that many forms of life have long been extinct. God's wonderful handiwork gives evidence that He has been at work far longer than the finite mind can comprehend. To the reverent mind, the universe magnifies the majesty and greatness of God. God is continually working through persons like you and me to increase the fruits of the Spirit in us and in persons around us. As we go from our homes and our churches to work and witness God would have us carry faith, hope and love to other persons. The more we fill our minds and hearts with God's thoughts and Spirit, the more He can do through us in His great work throughout the world today.

Let us pray:  
Our Father, before the mountains were brought forth, or ever Thou hadst formed the earth and the world, even from everlasting to everlasting, Thou art God. We worship Thee with deepest adoration and reverence. We give Thee thanks that we may call upon Thee in the name of Thy Son, who died to make us free. Help us to think not only of self, but of others. In mercy forgive us our sins. Bless us with willingness to walk with Thee through Jesus Christ, Our Lord, Amen.

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