

## CHURCH NEWS

**TRINITY FREEWILL BAPTIST** - Services were held Sunday, Jan. 7, at one o'clock at the YMCA on South Bloodworth Street with the pastor, Rev. C. C. Alford of Fayetteville, in charge. Scripture was read from St. Matthew, 11 chapter, 1 through 8 verses. From St. John, the 5th chapter, he used as a theme: "The House of Mercy." From that subject he preached a heartfelt sermon. Bro. William Banks prayed a touching prayer. Audience singing was so beautiful. After worship service, Holy Communion was held. We really had a wonderful time. We invite you to worship with us each 1st and 3rd Sundays at one o'clock until further notice.

**GETHSEMANE EVER READY HOLINESS CHURCH** - Sunday School was opened at 9:45 a.m. with our supt., Bro. Ronald Williams, in charge. It was opened by singing one song and prayer by our supt., Bro. Ronald Williams. Scripture: The teachers were asked to take charge of their classes. The subject of the lesson was

"Ezekiel Among The Exiles." Lesson text was taken from Ezekiel 1:1-3; 3:14-17; and 4:1-3. Memory selection: Son of man, I have made thee a watchman unto the house of Israel. Therefore hear the word at My mouth, and give them warning from Me - Ezekiel 3:17. The lesson was reviewed by Bro. Jonnie Williams. The lesson was enjoyed by all.

The morning services began at 11 a.m. with Choir No. 2 marching in singing "We're Marching To Zion." Devotion was led by Mother Mary Gaskins and Deacon Daniel Sampson. Scripture, St. Matt. 5:1-10, was read by Deacon Benjamin Allen. After singing "I Have Gone the Last Mile of the Way," the service was turned over to our pastor, Bishop M. Smiley. He gave us some encouraging words. The gospel message by the assistant pastor, Elder Mildred Ruffin, was entitled "The God of Good News." The message told us we should be excited over the good news from God and stop being so excited over bad news. The

service was enjoyed by all. Evening worship at 7:30 p.m. Y.P.B.S. at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday night services with a speaker each night. Friday night at 6:30 p.m. Boy Scouts with Deacon Albert Taylor in charge. If any boys would like to join, call 834-4222. Saturday evening at 5:30 p.m., choir No. 2 rehearsal with Sis. Beatrice Sampson in charge.

**THOUGHT**  
"Help us not to covet or resent the talents of others. Instead, may we concentrate on developing the talents You have given us as we find opportunities for service."  
Church reporter is Elder Mildred Ruffin.

## News & Views

BY J. B. HARREN  
EDGEcombe NATIVE  
CELEBRATES "GOLDEN WEDDING"

TARBORO - A Tarboro-Leggets area native, Mrs. Elizabeth Harrison Haughton, the senior of nine children of the late John L. Haughton, Sr., and wife, Ida Bryant Harrison, along with her

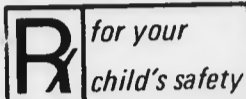
husband, Ernest Haughton, Sr. (a Plymouth native) reenacted in December the wedding vows they took fifty (50) years ago. The golden wedding ceremony took place in Philadelphia, Pa., at the behest of their three children: Mrs. Lucille H. Marshall and twins, Mrs. Ernestine H. Simmons and Ernest Haughton, Jr. Approximately one hundred relatives and friends attended the event held at a private club, where many gifts and more than five hundred dollars in cash and checks following the ceremony conducted by Rev. Robert T. Lovett and Rev. Henry T. Fields, pastor and assistant pastor, respectively, of Weyland Temple Baptist Church. Mrs. Celestine White was mistress of ceremony.

Attending from this area were three sisters and a brother-in-law of Mrs. Haughton, Sr.: Mrs. Annie B. Harren, Mrs. Mary H. Walker, Mrs. Sallie H. Baker and J. B. Harren. The Haughtons reside at 1831 N. Van Pelt Street, Philadelphia, Pa. 19121.

**NONAGENARIANS CELEBRATE**

We salute two Edgecombe residents who have recently reached their ninety-second (92nd) birthday. Mrs. Mary Armstrong Reid lives near the Brick School (Franklin Center) community, and is "Mother" of the Red Hill Baptist Church.

Mrs. Maggie Hilliard Lyons of Whitakers, was 92 in October, and is presently living with her older daughter, Mrs. P. Virginia Lyons Winley and husband Paul, in Kansas City, Kansas. Her daughter, Mrs. Joan Johnson, resides in Whitakers.



Preventable burns and scalds are among the principal causes of permanently disfiguring and fatal injuries to children, according to Albert H. Domm, M.D., child safety specialist and medical director of the Prudential Insurance Company.

"To prevent these tragic disasters, parents do not need expensive vaccines, medical books, college degrees or even a first aid kit," Dr. Domm said. "Most burns and scalds can be prevented by a simple combination of protective measures and education," he said.

Young children should be protected by keeping them away from matches, lighters, kitchen stoves, heaters and fireplaces.

**Obituaries**  
MRS. MARY ELIZABETH LUCAS

Funeral services for Mrs. Mary E. Lucas, 319 Fowle Street, who died Tuesday will be conducted Sunday at 1 p.m. at Lincoln Park Holiness Church by Bishop Elijah Ratcliff. Burial, Mt. Hope Cemetery.

Surviving a son, Mr. Leon Davis of Raleigh; father, Mr. Algebra Alston, Sr. of Raleigh; step-mother, Mrs. Maggie Alston of Raleigh; six brothers, Charles, Alvin, Jr., Ronnie, George, Melvin, and Johnnie Alston, all of Raleigh; five sisters, Miss Emma Alston, Miss Alice Alston and Miss Gladys Alston, all of Raleigh; Mrs. Anna Bell Barlow of Raleigh; Mrs. Lucille Upchurch of Washington, D.C.; six grandchildren.

**MR. OBBIE ELLIOTT**  
Funeral services for Mr. Obbie Elliott, 63, 314 N. Fisher Street, who died Monday will be conducted Sunday at 1 p.m. at Lightner's Chapel by Rev. J. R. Johnson. Burial, Hillcrest Cemetery.

Surviving wife, Mrs. Lucy Elliott of Raleigh; six daughters, Mrs. Rosalind Cannady of Raleigh, Mrs. Roxie Allen of District of Heights, Md.; Mrs. Joyce Smith of Phila., Pa.; Mrs. Mary Dora Ray, Miss Edith and Miss Ora Mae Elliott, all of Raleigh; nine sons, Obbie Elliott, Jr., Roger Lee, David and Charles, all of Raleigh; Ervin L. Thorpe of Spring Lake, N.C.; Calvin L. Thorpe of Washington, D.C.; Michael and Timothy R. Elliott, both of U.S. Army; William A. Elliott of Providence, R.I.; mother, Mrs. Mary McKay of Raleigh; three sisters, Mrs. Eva Mae Ragland of Newport, Va.; Mrs. Mary Jackson of Hampton, Va.; Mrs. LeAnna McKay of Raleigh; a brother, Walter McKay of Hartford, Conn.; 22 grandchildren.

**MR. HERBERT WILSON, JR.**  
Funeral services for Mr. Herbert Wilson, Jr., 2217 Grantland Drive, who died last Thursday were conducted Sunday at 3:30 p.m. at Lilly of Valley Church by Sister Cecelia Hayes. Burial in Carolina Biblical Gardens. Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Katie Wilson of Raleigh; two daughters, Miss Kay and Ester Wilson, both of the home; two sons, Herbert L. Wilson and Herman W. Wilson, both of the home; mother, Mrs. Ester Miles of Wilson.

## Texan Comes Of Age In Morgan's Latest Basketball Road Surge

BALTIMORE, Md. - "I prefer coming in the game as a reserve rather than starting because I get a chance to size up the opposition and see what they're doing before going in," Pat Edwards said, in discussing his recent performance in Morgan State College's 180-game surge on the road.

Edwards, a 6-4, 180-pound sophomore, came of age in the Bears' come-from-behind 76-73 win over Oakland (Mich.) University in the opening round of the Shaw Holiday Classic in Detroit. He popped off the bench to push in 23 points, exploding for 18 of them in the second half. He's been going strong every since.

A versatile performer, Edwards, a Houston, Texas native, plays both the front and back court positions, having the

strength to play up front with the 6-8 and 6-9 musclemen and the agility to perform in the backcourt. He is an exceptionally quick guy for his size and has an excellent move toward the hoop when driving, his coach, Nat Frazier, says.

When queried about his new starting status, Pat said, "We were down by 10 at the half and coach (Frazier) was telling us what we had to do in the second half to win. I just made up my mind that they were going to have to chain me down to stop me. Then they just began to fall in." He added as he happily recalled his big night in Detroit, "I prefer playing guard because I can use my improved repertoire of shots. In high school I just had a jump shot but I watched Chet Davis play and I tried to perfect as many

different shots as I could." Edwards has a habit of comparing himself with other people who have accomplished outstanding feats. He tries to figure out what made them successful, and then attempts to follow the same pattern.

"I watched my high school team play for the championship and lose. That day I decided to go out for the team and I asked my friend (Mike Streety) who is also a member of the Morgan team to come out with me," related Edwards.

Edwards played junior varsity basketball as a junior and

then averaged 19 points a game as a senior. He was enticed to come to Morgan by the Bears' assistant football coach, Jim Phillips, who was also graduated from Kashmere High in Houston.

Streety, a 6-6 soph, accompanied Edwards to Morgan and has also been impressive in the early going.

"Since I broke into the starting lineup, everybody is playing a lot harder in practice, realizing the same thing can happen to them."

"Sure I enjoy starting but it's not everything. I just want to come into the game when I'm needed most."

Pat doesn't have any special personal goals in basketball but he would like to play on a championship team. After finishing college he would like to go into business with Streety.

## Local Coaches To Challenge Illinois Wheelchair Cagers

An intrasquad wheelchair basketball game featuring the touring University of Illinois Gizz Kids will be held on Saturday, January 27 at 7:30 p.m. at Dorton Arena in Raleigh. An added attraction will be a half-time wheelchair basketball game between local high school and college football coaches who will play well-known local personalities and politicians.

Included among the local "talent" who will perform are Bill Dooley, UNC football coach; Mike McGee, head mentor of the Duke Blue Devils; Jessie Clements, assistant football coach of Shaw University; N.C. State Representative Robert W. Wynn; N.C. Attorney General Robert Morgan; former defensive end for the Detroit Lions, John Baker; former UNC basketball great Dr. Danny Lotz; Jerry McGee, assistant football coach at Duke; and area high school basketball coaches Ed McLean, Broughton; Guy Mendenhall, Enloe; Bill Harrington, Sanderson; Larry Lindsey, Wake Forest; Charles Maidon, Cary; and J.C. O'Neal, Garner.

The game is sponsored by the Raleigh Parks and Recreation Department and the Raleigh Youth Council in collaboration with the Easter Seals Society, the Wake County Association for Learning Disabilities, the Wake County Association for Retarded Children and the N.C. Council on Developmental Dis-

abilities. All proceeds will go to the Raleigh Recreation for the Handicapped Program and will benefit the physically and mentally handicapped of Raleigh and Wake County.

According to Mrs. Paula J. McClain, supervisor of the Handicapped Program, one of the key goals of the basketball game is to promote wheelchair and other types of recreation programs for the handicapped in Wake and other counties.

"There are many kinds of recreation programs for the handicapped that can be made available if we can obtain the funds and support of the general public," she said. "If sufficient interest is generated by this event, possibly a wheelchair basketball team could be organized in the Raleigh area similar to the one in Charlotte which has been so successful."

"Through this fine exhibition by the University of Illinois team we hope to make the public more aware of the wide variety of recreation programs in which those with physical and mental handicaps can participate and to recruit enthusiastic volunteers to work in these programs," she concluded.

Tickets for the January 27 contest may be purchased from the Raleigh, Durham and Chapel Hill recreation departments and in the Raleigh community centers. In addition, they will be available at the door the night of the game.



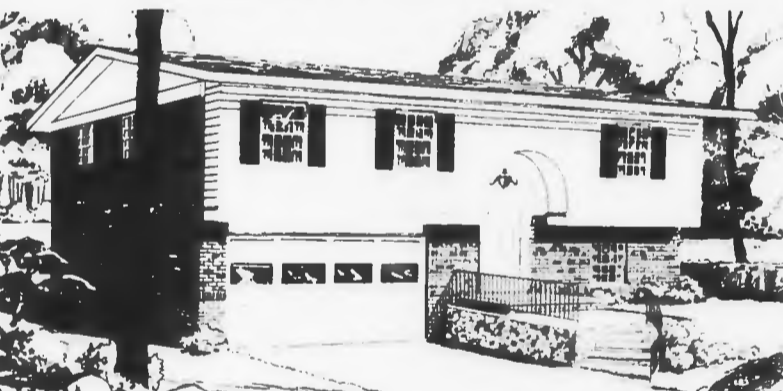
HAUGHTON'S GOLDEN WEDDING - Mr. and Mrs. Ernest (Elizabeth Harrison) Haughton, Sr. and 3rd from right) are shown as they celebrated their Golden (50th) Wedding in Philadelphia, Pa. recently. Their three children sponsored the lovely event. An hundred friends attended. Others in photo include Ernest Haughton, Jr., (far right), who served as best man for his dad; and (l-r) daughters, Mrs. Ernestine H. Simmons and Mrs. Lucille H. Marshall; Mrs. Annie B. Harren, who served as maid of honor to her sister; and in rear, J. B. Harren. (J.B. HARREN FOTO)

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