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—Concord Fire, Police Departments—

New Chiefs Sworn In

Concord — Swearing-in ceremonies were held recently for the new chiefs and assistant chiefs of the Concord fire and police departments.

A number of promotions at the police department was announced and two new patrolmen and one new firemen were sworn in.

Jack K. Moore is the new police chief, succeeding E. R. McKay who is retiring after 32 years on the force. Moore formerly was assistant chief.

New assistant police chiefs are George H. Smith Jr. and Wayne L. Honeycutt.

Smith formerly was captain of the detectives unit and Honeycutt a shift lieutenant. George Vogler was promoted to lieutenant and succeeds Smith as head of the detectives unit and Butch Arthur was moved to the Criminal Investigation Department (CID) to fill the vacancy.



HEAD CONCORD FIRE DEPARTMENT—Mayor Alfred M. Brown congratulates new Concord Fire Chief Fred W. Lippard as Assistant Chiefs Jimmy Lee, Joe Misenheimer and Don Moody and Capt. David Yarborough look on. Kannapolis Daily Independent Photo

Don S. Overcash was promoted to shift lieutenant to succeed Honeycutt. Pedro Cayado Jr. was promoted to

sergeant to succeed Overcash.

The new policemen are Jimmy Kee, a former dispatcher; and Neal C. Cameron.

Fred W. Lippard, who had been acting fire chief since retirement of Chief F. Y. Weddington, is the new chief and assistant chiefs are James E. "Jimmy" Lee Jr., Joe Misenheimer Jr. and Don Moody. David Yarborough was promoted to captain.

The new fireman is Danny Scott, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert W. Scott of Kannapolis. Oaths of office were given by

Mayor Alfred M. Brown.

Aldermen present were Jim Dorton, chairman of the police committee; John A. Howard Jr. and Harold B. McEachern. Moore, son of Mr. and Mrs. J.

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Retiring Fireman Honored

Star — The Star Firemen held a Banquet Supper recently at Star Middle School Cafeteria in honor of retiring fireman Cube W. Kern.

Kern had served as fireman for over 22 years. Assistant Chief Bill Kivett presented him with an engraved plaque and Captain James Loflin presented him with his fireman's hat.

Chief Kester O. Williams present an engraved plaque to Mrs. Edna O. Brown and son, Wesley, in memory of husband and father, James H. Brown.

Guest speaker for the occasion was H. V. Massengill, manager of Carolina Power and Light Company in Troy.

Rev. Ray Yarborough, pastor of Star Baptist Church, gave the invocation. The Star Middle School cafeteria ladies provided the meal for the firemen, their wives and special guests.

Bladenboro Firemen Get Certificates

Bladenboro — On Thursday night, February 27, twenty one members of the Bladenboro Volunteer Fire Department completed a fire service training sponsored by the extension department at Bladen Technical Institute. The occasion was celebrated by a steak supper, with a graduation ceremony afterwards.

The course taken was "Introduction to Firefighting". The course consisted of 42 hours of training which began on November 14. This course is the first of a series of fire service courses that are available to firemen. Other courses are planned by the Bladenboro firemen in the near future.

Captain Sam Byrd of the Lumberton Fire Department was the instructor for the course. During the graduation ceremony, Byrd stated that he was "very pleased with the achievements of the Bladenboro Fire Department." He also stated that he would be willing to assist the Bladenboro Fire Department in any training they would want to take in the future.

Making brief comments during the program were Keith Phillippe, Director of Fire Service Training in North Carolina and Harmon Kivett, Coordinator of Fire Service Training in Southeastern North Carolina. Both men congratulated the group on their efforts and stressed the importance of continuing their training.

The certificates were presented by Donald Trivette.

Director of Adult Education at Bladen Tech. Those receiving certificates were: Charles L. Benton, Jerry W. Brown, Eric R. Cain, Terry W. Carroll, John

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New Rescue Truck Built By Firemen

Guilford County — Guilford County firemen assigned to the Airport Fire Department have

built a rescue vehicle which they hope will never be used.

"It's especially designed for use in major disasters such as tornadoes, hurricanes, large fires, floods, airplane crashes and search-party operations," said Ms. Janice Doak, a secretary to Charles Porter, county fire marshal.

Fire Capt. Fred Breeden, one of the firemen who built the vehicle, explained that it has been equipped with various communications equipment—two-way radios to keep it in

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Firemen Is Named Employee Of Year

Goldsboro — Goldsboro fireman Walter Carson Wellington has been named city of Goldsboro "Employee of the Year."

Wellington was honored at a recent meeting of the Goldsboro Board of Aldermen.

He was presented a cash award of \$100 by Goldsboro Mayor Ben Strickland.

Wellington has been with the Goldsboro Fire Department for 15 years and currently holds the rank of fire driver.

In making the presentation, Mayor Strickland noted that Wellington had attended several fire training schools and is a certified ambulance attendant.

"Since working with the city of Goldsboro, no disciplinary action has ever been taken against this man," the mayor continued.

"In 15 years, he has utilized only four days of sick leave, three of which were necessary to attend the funerals of members of his immediate family.

"He has been classified by both his immediate supervisor

and the fire chief as being an excellent employee, always

willing to cooperate and having

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FIREFMAN HONORED Goldsboro Mayor Ben Strickland, left, presents Goldsboro fireman Walter Carson Wellington a cash award of \$100 after announcing that Wellington had been selected as city "Employee of the Year". The presentation was made at a recent meeting of the Goldsboro Board of Aldermen. Goldsboro News-Argus Photo

Sam Wise Is Re-Elected Rimer Chief

Rimer — Sam Wise has been re-elected chief of the Rimer Volunteer Fire Department for 1975. Other officers are Paul A. Bost, assistant chief; Richard Loggans, secretary-treasurer; and Harry Campbell, assistant secretary.

Other department officers are Terry Sifford, first shift captain; Wayne Bunn, second and third shifts captain; Carl Goodman and Wayne Herring, lieutenants; and Don Yost, traffic officer.

Chief Wise said each fireman will be required to complete 32 hours of training during the year to meet state requirements.

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Editorial

Strengthened to provide greater safety to the public and to facilitate its enforcement, the "Model State Fireworks Law" (NFPS 494L) is now available in the 1974 pamphlet edition from the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA).

Basic philosophy of the Model Law continues to be restriction of the use of all fireworks, except toy paper and-or plastic caps, to authorized pyrotechnic displays. Provisions of NFPA 494L thus far have been incorporated into the laws of no fewer than 27 of the United States.

To assist authorities in establishing the administrative procedures necessary for enforcement of the "Model State Fireworks Law," an appendix in the new eight-page edition contains suggested regulations of the State Fire Marshal. These guidelines are adaptable to meet local conditions.

This Model Law intended to safeguard the public from injuries and fires resulting from promiscuous use of fireworks has been developed by the NFPA Committee on Pyrotechnics. It was adopted in its present form at the 1974 Fall Meeting of the Association.

Copies of the 1974 edition of the "Model State Fireworks Law" (NFPA 494L) (8 pages, \$2) are now available from the NFPA Publications Sales Department, 470 Atlantic Ave., Boston, MA 02210.

Fire in a health care facility demands immediate response by well-trained fire specialists.

"Health Care Safety — Private Fire Brigade," a collection of 13 publications on fire protection in hospitals, nursing homes and clinics, is now available from the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA).

The package is designed especially for persons responsible for fire protection in these specialized facilities.

Since patient evacuation may be impractical or slow, these nationally recognized fire standards and special publications give step-by-step information on how to react efficiently and correctly during a health care facility fire. Emphasis is on fire-fighting practices, fire isolation and fire prevention.

Among the more than 1,000 pages of information are NFPA standards and booklets on management control during fire emergencies, portable fire equipment, radiation control, health facility emergency guidance, and extinguishing systems. The "NFPA Inspection Manual" encourages complete fire safety practices to avoid disaster.

Packaged in an attractive desk case, these NFPA publications make comprehensive reading and a valuable reference library for every private fire brigade and maintenance staff. The library package is the fourth item in NFPA's health care safety series.

Price of the encased materials is \$37. If purchased separately, these publications cost \$41.50. Orders for "Health Care Safety — Private Fire Brigade" (HCSL-FB), as well as requests for detailed information on the health care safety series, should be addressed to the NFPA Publications Sales Department at 470 Atlantic Ave., Boston MA 02210.

Good Samaritans Help Burned-Out Dairyman

One Saturday in March did not start well for Rowan dairyman Claude Johnson.

He lost two barns, two tractors, an expensive bull and much of his milking equipment in an early morning fire.

Damages were estimated between \$70,000 and \$80,000.

But Saturday got better.

After absorbing the shock of the fire, Johnson had to concern himself with the fact that his 60 cows needed milking. And he no longer had the facilities to handle it.

Just then, as Rockwell and Gold Hill volunteer firemen were getting the last of the fire smothered, people began to arrive at his farm, located off U. S. 52 between Rockwell and Gold Hill.

They came uninvited from all over Rowan and from parts of Cabarrus.

They came to help. They brought materials, tools, milking equipment, electricals. They started working, erecting a temporary holding pen for the cows. They worked right through the rainstorm that afternoon.

The holding pen went up, electricity was supplied and by 10 p.m. milking was underway.

Johnson figured that an average of 40 people helped him throughout the day and night.

He wants to thank everyone, the firemen, Duke Power, his neighbors and the people who arrived to lend a hand, and Bobby Moose, his employe, who saved part of the herd from the fire.

Pumper Fire Engine

Volunteers Burn Note

Shelby — A note burning for a \$17,500 pumper fire engine was held recently at the Shanghai Volunteer Fire Department.

The four-year note, which originated in 1970, was terminated in the note burning attended by Dennis R. Hamrick, treasurer of the Shanghai Volunteer Fire Department; Jim Petty, chairman of the Board of Directors; and Hugh Humphries, fire chief.

"The Shanghai Volunteer Fire Department has provided a vital service for the people in the Shanghai district," said Petty. "We are indeed proud of



NOTE BURNING—A note burning for a \$17,500 pumper fire engine was held recently at the Shanghai Volunteer Fire Department. Participating were left to right, Jim Petty, Dennis Hamrick and Hugh Humphries. Shelby Daily Star Photo

the men who have given their time and support to the department."

Humphries state, "We appreciate those who have un-
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Winecoff VFD Names Leaders

Kannapolis — The Winecoff Volunteer Fire Department has elected a president, a new chief and three new directors.

Earl Goodman was elevated
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Long Time Fire Chief Aubrey O. Anderson Dies

Valdese — Aubrey Oxford Anderson, 65, a man who came to Valdese in 1927 as a barber and remained to serve his community as a fireman and as fire chief for over 40 years, passed away recently at Valdese General Hospital.

Funeral services for Fire Chief Aubrey Anderson were held from First United Methodist Church where he was a member. The Rev. Milton Widenhouse officiated. Burial was in Hillcrest cemetery.

Chief Anderson was stricken at his home at 309 Sanders Street and rushed to the hospital. He was dead on arrival.

His last public appearance was on March 3 when he attended a meeting of the Valdese board of commissioners.

He is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Jim (Aubrey) Absher of Statesville; two sisters, Miss Mabel Anderson and Mrs. Ruth Pennell, both of Lenoir; three grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Possibly no one man in Burke County has had more to do with the development of fire fighting techniques and fire companies than Aubrey Anderson.

He served as president of the Western Carolina Association, he was first president of the Burke County Association and he belongs to stage and national groups.

Aubrey Anderson was born in Caldwell County, one of seven children, three brothers and three sisters. His parents were Mr. and Mrs. Leland Anderson.

The Andersons, both now dead, were farmers. They loved the land.

But for Aubrey Anderson, farming was not his bag of tricks. He learned the bar-

bering trade from an older brother, John, and shook the dust off the farm from his heels and went to Taylorsville to open his shop.

He came to Valdese in 1927 as a barber and worked in two shops, one, located adjacent to the Valdese Mfg. Co., has been torn down. The other shop is still operating in the Colonial theatre building.

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Mount Ulla-Bear Poplar Fire Department Elect Officers

Stockholders of the Mount Ulla-Bear Poplar Volunteer Fire Department, in session recently, elected officers, three

new directors, and a fire chief.

New directors, elected to three-year terms, are Mrs. Don Matthews, George Beaver Jr. and Joe Sloop. They will serve with Ann Edwards, Hill Gray, Hugh Miller, Melvin

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Belgrade VFD

Jacksonville — The Belgrade Volunteer Fire Department has elected its officers for 1975, choosing Percy Huffman, III, as president and chief.

Frankie Jenkins was elected vice president and assistant chief, Albert Salter, Jr. treasurer and lieutenant and Robert Mills as secretary and captain.

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Bladenboro Firemen Get Certificates from page 1

Lynn Deaver, Matthew Deavers, Delbert Dettman, Dewey D. Dowless, John D. Ellis, Edgar C. Evans, Billy R. Fisher, Mark T. Frink, Graham Wayne Hester, Winston A. King, Labam H. Lawson, Livingston Lewis, William A. Perritt, Elias A. Pigford, Julian C. Shaw, C. A. Ludlum, and Robert Bryan.

After the certificates were awarded, Col. George Resseguie, president of Bladen Tech, spoke to the firemen. He thanked the firemen for the time and effort that they have put into fire training. He stated that the volunteer organizations of Bladen County have served the people well and

that they deserve to be commended.

He further stated that Bladen Tech's sole purpose is to serve the people of the county and that he knew of no better way than to assist organizations such as fire departments and rescue squads.

Also in attendance were the wives or girlfriends of the firemen. Joe Chandler, city attorney, William Butler, a county commissioner, and Edgar Evans, mayor of Bladenboro, were also present. Billy Ray Fisher, Robert Earl Carter, and J. W. Smith of the Bladenboro Town Commissioners were also present.

New Rescue Truck Built from page 1

touch with the county fire communications center, radios for communications with firefighting units, the sheriff's department and the highway patrol.

The vehicle also carries a wide variety of first-aid supplies and stretchers for emergency treatment.

More importantly, Breeden explained, the large vehicle has sufficient space to allow it to be used "as a mobile medical intensive care unit, to sustain life until the injured person can be moved to a hospital."

The vehicle is the property of Guilford County "and can be taken anywhere it's needed in the county. It won't be confined to the airport, although it will be based at No. 10 Fire Station there.

There is no way to determine the value of the truck, but firemen say they don't believe "you could buy one like it for \$40,000."

The men invested 2000 man-hours and \$5000 in converting the original vehicle, a small arms repair truck bought from state surplus for \$1000 two years ago.

Firemen Is Named Employee from page 1

a good word for all," the mayor reported.

"This individual's work performance, attendance, initiative, loyalty and safety record indicates the devotion he possesses towards his job responsibilities and the citizens of Goldsboro."

The "Employee of the Year" award was established by the city last year.

According to the rules, eight candidates are selected each year by their fellow employees. Each candidate represents a specific department or combination of work divisions.

The citizens members of the city's personnel grievance panel serve as a selection

committee and evaluate each nominee on the basis of his work performance, personnel record and a letter of recommendation from his immediate supervisor.

New Chiefs from page 1

Q. Moore of Barbee Rd., is married to the former Miss Verla Kindley Moore and the couple has three children, Toni Cline, Mrs. Lee Whiteside and Kathy Moore.

A veteran of the U. S. Navy he attends Immanuel Baptist Church where he is a Sunday School director, deacon and member of the Brotherhood.

He has 27 years of police experience and served as a county deputy sheriff two and a half years before joining the police department in 1950.

Smith joined the force in 1950 and had been a detective since 1956. He was promoted to captain in 1971.

He is married to the former Miss Letha Dobson and the couple has two sons, Houston and Will. The family attends Bayless Memorial Baptist Church.

Both Moore and Smith have the advanced law enforcement certificate, highest award available for Tar Heel police officers.

Honeycutt is the son of Mrs. Ollie Mae Honeycutt and the late Carl C. Honeycutt. His wife, Jeanette, died in 1974. The couple had three children, Mrs. Claudia Blair, Mrs. Debbie Kilpatrick and Judy Honeycutt.

He joined the force in 1951 and was promoted to sergeant Jan. 1, 1966. He served as a detective three years and was promoted to lieutenant Oct. 1, 1968.

Lippard joined the fire

department March 1, 1946, was promoted to driver in 1950, to captain in 1963 and to assistant chief in 1968.

He is married to the former Miss Johnnie Medlin and the couple has one daughter. He is a member of Trinity United Church of Christ.

Lee joined the fire department in August 1949 and was promoted to captain in 1968 and to assistant chief in 1974.

He is married to the former Miss Nora Faggart and the couple has one daughter, Mrs. Charles Gamble. He is a member of Fores Hill United Methodist Church.

Misenheimer has been a fireman since March 1955 and was promoted to driver in July 1967 and to captain in July 1972. He is married to the former Miss Sarah Sapp and the couple has two children.

He is a member of Kerr St. United Methodist Church.

Moody joined the fire department in August 1954 and was promoted to driver in June 1964, to director of the fire

prevention bureau in December 1969 and to captain in April 1971.

He is married to the former Miss Dorothy Mauldin and the couple has two sons. He is a member of Ann St. United Methodist Church.

Retiring Chief McKay was presented a suit of clothes from members of the police force.

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Fire Destroys Barn, Mobile Home

Stony Point — A pre-dawn fire recently at the Frank Beckham residence near Stony Point destroyed a barn, about 2,000 bales of hay, a Titan II Motor Home, and a new Ford tractor and loader, leaving damages estimated at more than \$30,000.

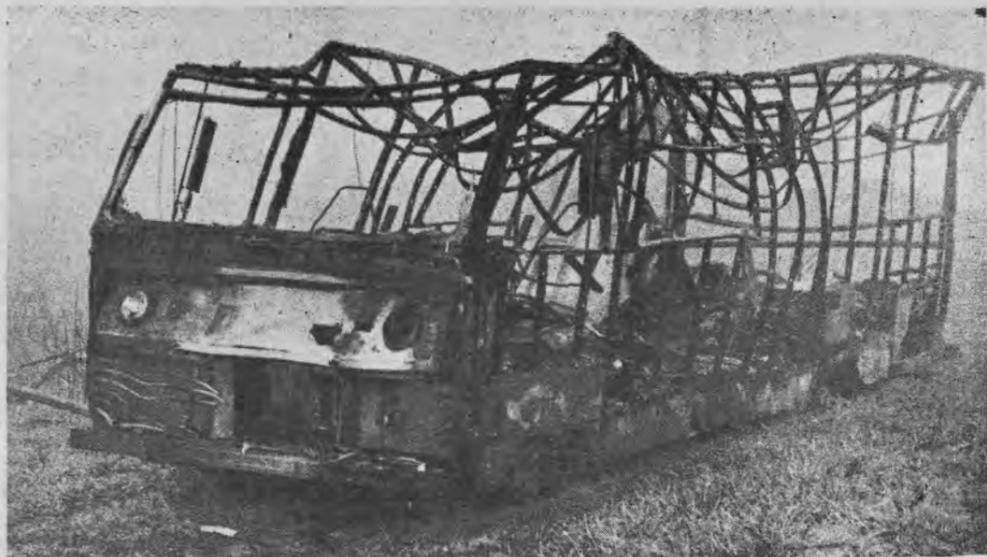
All materials destroyed were in a barn a short distance from Beckham's home.

Beckham, asleep in the nearby house when the flames erupted, was awakened by the barking of his dog which slept in the barn.

He discovered the blaze and summoned the Stony Point volunteer Fire Department. The time was 1:27 a.m. Four hours and 10,000 gallons of water later the fire was still smouldering in the hay which was pushed from beneath the tin roof of the barn but not completely extinguished.

Carlton Crouch, chief of the Stony Point Fire Department, said that additional items destroyed by the blaze included an assortment of small tools. Some other farm equipment including another tractor parked close to the barn door were moved to safety.

Crouch said he has no idea how the fire started, adding that there are so many possible ways and the fire was so far



BURNED MOTOR HOME—This burned out vehicle was a Titan II Motor Home. It was burned during a fire recently at the Frank Beckham residence near Stony Point. Other items burned in the fire included some 2,000 bales of hay, a new tractor and loader, and an assortment of tools.

Taylorsville Times Photo

gone when firemen were summoned that there's no way

Note Burning from page 2

selfishly volunteered their services and, of course, the cooperation of the entire community." Hamrick also expressed his appreciation to the entire community. "Because of community support," said Hamrick, "we are once more operating in the black."

to determine the cause.

Beckham and his son-in-law were planning a trip to Florida that week in the motor home and it contained 155 gallons of

fuel. The top and sides of the motor home were completely blown off in the fire and contents were left as a wasted mass of burned metal and other material.

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McLaughlin, Bill Russell and Ray Wilkinson, whose terms as directors are not completed.

Hill Gray was elected to the post of fire chief and he named C. L. Edwards as assistant fire chief. Fire Chief Gray is expected to appoint other officers after another training course has been completed.

Officers elected were Hugh Miller, president; Joe Sloop, vice president; Melvin McLaughlin, secretary; and Ann Edwards, treasurer.

Mrs. Edwards presented the treasurer's report for the past

year and stated that dues are now due and payable. With a new fire truck scheduled to arrive in October, everyone is encouraged to send in their dues as soon as possible.

Anderson Dies from page 2

He became volunteer fireman under Chief Lee Ribet in 1932.

In 1946 he quit the barbering trade and went to Hickory as a paid fireman and spent three years there.

When the Valdese growth indicated that a full time fireman was needed, he became assistant chief under Chief Ribet and became the first paid fireman other than Ribet, to be employed by Valdese.

Today, the Valdese department, when at full strength has six full-time employees and a volunteer squad of 10.

Chief Anderson was the first to graduate from the state fire administration school conducted by the City Managers Association. The course is now mandatory for all would-be fire chiefs.

Over the years Chief Anderson's attention has been centered on fire prevention and fire education.

For years he hammered at fire education in the lower grades in school and has made many, many speeches to the youngsters. He conducted annual essay contests.

"He was a good chief and a fine man," declared Mayor Carl C. Long and perhaps that's about as good a way as any to describe Aubery Oxford Anderson, barber, fire chief, assistant coroner, and father.

Winecoff Names from page 2

from chief to president, succeeding C. M. King.

Charles Umberger was named chief of the fire-fighters.

Other officers named for the coming 12 months are Johnny Grisdale, vicepresident; Mrs. J. Harold Rodgers, secretary; and R. L. "Cotton" Williams, treasurer.

Mrs. Rodgers, Mike White and Wayne McClannon are the new members of the board. Other directors are Harvey Cline, Wayne Cook, Jim Ingram, Richard Keasler, Tola Litaker Jr. and Odis Rodgers.

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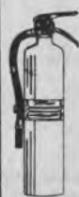
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Sloop Point Fire, Rescue Workers Awarded Certificates



RECEIVE CERTIFICATES—Twenty-six members of the Sloop Point Fire Department and Rescue Squad are seen with the certificates that were presented to them, after completing a course in "Fire Rescue".

Burgaw Pender Chronicle Photo

Burgaw — Twenty-six members of the Sloop Point Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad were awarded certificates recently after completing a course in

"Fire Rescue." The combined class of Firemen and Rescue Squad members were instructed in "Fire Rescue" by Captain Bill Hutton of the Wilmington Fire

Dept. and Cape Fear Tech. During the 24 hour course the members actively participated in the use of ropes in rescue operation, transporting victims, the use of self-contained breathing equipment, resuscitation equipment and fire extinguishing equipment.

The Rescue Squad hopes to start operation in the very near future. The North Carolina Dept. of Human Resources, Office of Emergency Medical Services will have to certify the Squad before it can begin operation.

Many of the members have far exceeded the minimum requirements of 40 hours of instruction in Standard and Advanced First Aid. Besides the additional 24 hours just completed in "Fire Rescue," ten members completed a 10 hour course of the American

Fire Captain Is Injured

Raleigh — Raleigh Fire Department Capt. Ralph R. Hailey suffered sever back bruises recently while answering a false alarm.

Hailey was climbing out of a fire truck at 1801 Gorman St. when his seat belt caught on his coat pocket. Hailey lost his balance and fell backwards onto the truck's running board.

He was treated at Rex Hospital and released after X-rays determined that no bones were broken.

Ken Farmer, administrative assistant to Hailey, said the false alarm came at 8:06 a.m. The department received 188 false alarms last year, according to Farmer.

"It's a hazard of the trade," he said. "We have to answer them, obviously, because you never know for sure until you do."

Farmer said the caller of this false alarm had not been found, although Raleigh police were investigating the incident.

Jerry Leonard Wins Scholarship

The North Carolina Society of Fire Service Instructors honor, each year, a deserving student involved in a curriculum in Fire Science Technology, a Scholarship Award of \$100. It is a small Award, but it is the Society's way of saying "thanks" to the many students who are pursuing a career in fire protection. The people of our State will benefit from their efforts and the profession of fire protection will be assured of qualified leadership in the future.

This year's Award has been presented to Mr. Jerry Leonard, a full time student in the Fire Science Technology Curriculum at Rowan Technical Institute at Salisbury, North Carolina. Mr. Leonard is a native of

Morehead City, North Carolina and plans to enter the public fire service after graduation.

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Attending the class in "Fire Rescue" were Jeannine Andrews, Martha Batson, Talmadge Batson, Doris Blanton, Horace Blanton, Joannah K. Blanton, Wilhelmenia Garrison, William L. Garrison, Janice B. Justcie, Gussie M. LeBlanc, Sarah M. LeBlanc, Alfred Lewis, Albert

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Lightning Hits

M.P. Well House

Mt. Pleasant -- Lightning struck a well house on the property of Junior Barnhardt on N. C. 49 at 2:57 a.m. recently, and the fire which resulted destroyed the out-building and its contents.

Fifteen men from the Mt. Pleasant Fire Department and two men from the Cold Water Fire Department answered the call and remained on the scene for 45 minutes.

Property damage was estimated at \$1,500.



BOILING SPRINGS—A \$35,000 LOAN to refinance short-term financing has been made to the Boiling Spring Lakes Volunteer Fire Department by Farmers Home Administration. Left to right are Vern Miller, secretary and sergeant of the fire department; state FHA director Jimmy Johnson; Loren Gay, chairman of the department board of directors; Ed Johnson, FHA county supervisor; and Joe Paro, assistant fire chief. Chief E. C. Meade was unable to attend the ceremony. Southern State Part Pilot Photo

Fire Damages Vacant House

Albemarle -- Fire damage occurred recently to a vacant home at 1007 Efirid Street owned by Gary Kimrey.

Firemen received the alarm at 12:25 a.m. and worked at the location for an hour and 38 minutes.

They said the fire started in a close, extended through the ceiling and into the attic.

At 2:40 p.m. that same day firemen were called to the home of Mrs. George Webb, 622 Watts Street, where the trouble was a flooded oil heater.

The previous day at 11:53 a.m., they were called to check an odor of smoke at the Arthur Crisco residence, 1340 Lowder Street.



Firemen Undergo Training

Newport -- SEVENTY-FIVE firemen from Atlantic Beach, Davis, Morehead City, Mills Creek, Township 6 (Craven County) and Newport trained in fighting LP gas fires at Newport over a recent weekend. The two-day session was sponsored by Carteret Technical Institute. The sessions included both classroom work and actual fire fighting.

Charles Dew of Wilson County Technical Institute and formerly with Suburban Propane Gas Corp. of New Jersey, and J. E. Harrell, Carteret County fire marshal,

conducted the classes.

ALL ATTENDING firemen got a chance to help extinguish both vapor and liquid LP fires. The fires simulated the types caused by ruptured tanks, piping, tubin, cylinders and trucks.

The classroom work familiarized the men with the full range of LP gas equipment used in this area. Movies of spectacular fires were shown to the men to illustrate what LP gas fires can do.

NEWPORT FIRE Chief Milton Gould said that the Newport firemen constructed the burner used to simulate the fires. He added that 1,450 gallons of propane were burned.

The ladies auxiliary furnished refreshments during the sessions. Mrs. W. E. Lewis, Billy Styron and David Bryan refueled the containers throughout the day.

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Fire chief to retire

Gastonia — Gastonia Fire Chief John Farris, a 45-year veteran of the fire department, has announced plans to retire effective June 30, the end of the current fiscal year.

Farris, 65, who was hospitalized for two months recently with a heart condition, said that his doctor advised him to retire.

"I was put on a pacemaker and the doctor said that he wanted me to live the life of a 65-year-old retired person," he said.

"I'll just go to work a few hours when I feel like it for the rest of the fiscal year. I've got enough sick leave to carry me through the year."

Farris' annual salary is \$18,086.

City Manager Gary Hicks said that he does not know who might be the new chief for the city.

Asst. Chief J. W. Spargo has been acting chief since Farris has been hospitalized.

Hicks said that he doesn't know whether Spargo or anyone else in the department

will be appointed chief, or how the selection process will be handled.

"The job wouldn't be open until June 30, anyway," he said.

Farris said, "There are several men capable of doing it."

Farris worked himself up from the back end of a fire truck, he said, to the head of the department, where he has been for 20 years.

"I went to work right in the Depression, 1930," he recalled. "I was a pretty big boy for my age and had two years experience in a volunteer fire department; so, I was hired."

George F. McLaughen of 816 St. Michael's Lane was fire chief at that time. Farris remembered.

"It's all technical now," he said. "People sure seem to be smarter now."

The retiring chief said that he is looking forward to seeing the two new fire stations that will be built during the next two years with Community Development funds.

"We really need those," he said.



CHIEF JOHN FARRIS
Gastonia Gazette Photo

Aberdeen's Burning Sands Came From Leaking Gas Station Tank

Aberdeen — The mystery of Aberdeen's "burning sands" was solved recently when it was discovered that the fuel for the mysterious fires came from a leaking gasoline service station tank.

The problem first came to the attention of town fire and police officials when the fire department burned off dead grass and brush from vacant property across U. S. Highway 1 from the town fire station.

Even though the grass and brush were consumed, they discovered, the sandy ground kept on burning.

Eventually the flames were extinguished, but the incident pointed to the possibility that the ground was being saturated with liquid fuel from some nearby source. Suspicion pointed at three service stations nearby, all on U. S. 1.

Then the proprietor of one of those stations, located at the corner of U. S. 1 and Main St., began digging down to one of the station's underground tanks to determine the reason for continuing shortages of gasoline.

Fire department officials, right across Main St. from the station, immediately went into action.

With police aid, they blocked

Main St. to traffic between U. S. 1 and Poplar St. They ran a fire truck onto the service station's ramp, placed hoses in position filled with water and ready for instant use.

Another fire truck was placed across the highway on Lake Shore Drive. And a crew was set to work collecting the gasoline leaking from the saturated soil into Aberdeen Creek. This was done by spreading straw on the water to absorb the gasoline, then lifting the straw out with a power shovel.

This gasoline was being removed at a point about 100 yards from the service station.

Gasoline remaining in the leaking tank was pumped into an adjoining tank. Then digging to remove the bad tank was

started.

How long it will take to collect the escaping gasoline could not be determined. But police and fire officials felt they had the problem resolved.

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Printing Firm Hit by Fire In Raleigh

Raleigh — Fire caused more than \$30,000 damage to Pittman Printing Co. at 624 W. Jones St. recently, Raleigh fire Capt. E. H. Beasley said.

Beasley said the fire started at about 3:30 a.m. in the basement of the business which was located in an old, two-story house.

The fire spread quickly from the basement to the roof, burning the entire structure, Beasley said.

The building was unoccupied when the fire broke out. Beasley said, and no one was injured. Fireman worked two hours to contain the blaze, he said.

Beasley said the cause of the fire is under investigation.

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ADR fire signs for tax districts

Columbus County — Signs recently placed along eastern Columbus County highways by the Acme-Delco-Riegelwood Fire Department (ADR) have caused confusion among area residents as to their purpose. ADR Fire Chief Alton Edwards said many Columbus County residents have been asking whether the ADR Fire and Rescue Squad will continue serving those areas outside the signs and how the fire district was organized.

According to Edwards, the signs have been placed to define the area which is subject to taxation to support the fire department and does not limit the area of service.

"The ADR Fire and Rescue Squad will definitely continue to provide service and protection to all persons no matter which side of the signs (fire district) they live on," explained Edwards.

The chief also outlined the process of formation of the fire district and its operation.

According to him, the Acme-Delco Fire District was formed after area residents requested an election on the issue.

The issue passed and the Columbus County Board of Commissioners contracted with the fire department for fire protection.

He said the purpose of the fire district is to provide by taxation a guaranteed source of revenue for the fire department as required by state law.

The tax base on property is 7.5 cents per \$100 valuation or 75 cents per \$1,000.

According to Edwards, this



ADR SQUAD MEMBERS ERECT BOUNDARY SIGN
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Submitted by Acme Delco Riegelwood Fire & Rescue Squad

allows everyone living in the fire district to pay a fair share rather than having a few bear

the whole burden while others escape paying anything for similar service.



ASHFORD—Members of the Ashford-North Cove Volunteer Fire Department have recently completed a 42-hour firefighting procedures course. The course which began February 6 and ended March 22, was taught by Lee Cate, Firefighting instructor at McDowell Technical Institute, and a volunteer fireman with the Marion Fire Department. Those participating in the course are as follows: Front Row: (l to r) Paul Branch, Richard Burleson, Bill Hollifield, J. W. Carpenter, Joe Sneed, and Lee Cate, instructor. Back row: (l to r) Fred Brown, Ben Carpenter, Carl Howard, Gregg Jones, Terry English, John English, W. G. Clark, Sr., and Bill Phillips. Not pictured are James Harrison, Wayne McCall, Wayne McCall, Jr., Ricky Wyatt, Wayne Bendfield, Morris Edwards.

Marion McDowell News Photo

Fire damages Ranlo house

Ranlo — Two small dogs' constant barking aroused Butch Haney of Dooley Road and his bride of one-week early

on a recent morning, alerting them to the fact that their house was on fire.

Ranlo Fire Chief Bill Alexander said that by the time firemen arrived the Haney's had escaped but the interior of the house was engulfed in flames. "The five-room frame house was completely gutted. I

would say it is a total loss," he added.

Alexander said that Haney's aunt, Mrs. Jack Spencer, died a week ago and Haney and his wife were keeping her two dogs temporarily.

"The Haney's could have been burned up in the house if it hadn't been for those two dogs barking," Alexander said.

The chief said the fire apparently started in the basement of the house. "By the time we got there the heat had become so intense that the windows were popping out. It was really burning," he said.

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