

CITY OF ASHEVILLE



ASHEVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA

OFFICE OF
MAYOR

WELCOME!

The City of Asheville is pleased that The North Carolina Fire Chiefs Conference and the 85th Annual North Carolina State Firemens Association Convention will be held in Asheville on August 14-17, 1972.

It has been five years since your last meeting in our city and I hope that you will take the opportunity to notice our continuing progress in affording our visitors an enjoyable and comfortable atmosphere. Please let us know if we can be of any assistance to you and to your delegates and their families while they are among us.

I extend best wishes for a successful and enjoyable meeting and a safe return to your homes. Please come again soon.

Sincerely,

Richard A. Wood, Jr.
Mayor



Chief Powell M. Ball



Mayor Richard A. Wood, Jr.



City Mgr. P. Horton III

Bulk Rate
U. S. Postage
PAID
Raleigh, N. C.
Permit No. 554



Vol. 1 - No. 1

July 1972



From Left to Right: H. D. Garmon, W. F. Hudson, Curtis Flanagan, Fred Shipton, George Bartlett, T. R. Bissett, Horace Moore, and James F. Gaggett. Seated: Kimble Best.

SECRETARY'S

CORNER

CURTIS H. FLANAGAN

The 44th Fire College and Pump School was held in Asheville, May 29-June 2. This Annual School was sponsored by the Association and in cooperation with the N. C. Dept. of Insurance and the N. C. Department of Community Colleges. It was well attended.

We are indebted to the Buncombe County Technical Institute, the Buncombe County Firemen's Assn., The Asheville Fire Dept. and many others for the success of this school. We salute Deputy Chief R. L. Powell, Joe Letzing and Jim Parham and their fine staff for a job well done.

It is interesting to note that this is the oldest Fire College in the United States.

For many years our public schools were the center of activity in most of the small communities throughout our state. In recent years, the schools have been consolidated. Now the Rural Fire Departments are serving as a community gathering place, not only for the fireman but for his family and neighbors. Thus, our fire departments can be of real service to the people in more than one way. This is a wonderful opportunity and should not be over-looked by the firemen.

At the last count there are something like 970 fire departments in North Carolina. Many of these departments do not have a rating from the N. C. Rating Bureau. There are many reasons why these departments should be encouraged to get a rating.

We understand that there are quite a number of the rated departments that have not been certified by the Dept. of Insurance. By all means they should contact Mr. Elwood Incoe, Insurance Dept., Fire and Rescue Div., P. O. Box 26387, Raleigh, N. C., 27611. Mr. Incoe will assist with the certification.

Let's go to the Conference in Asheville! Take your family with you; be sure to make reservations ahead of time. See you there!



The NORTH CAROLINA FIRE SERVICE NEWS

Official Publication of THE N. C. STATE FIREMEN'S ASSOC.

THE N. C. FIRE SERVICE NEWS is published monthly at Raleigh, North Carolina, Mailing address: P. O. Box 26326, Raleigh, N. C. 27611.

Opinions in signed articles are individual expressions and not necessarily those of the editor.

Deadline for pictures and articles is the first of the month prior to the month of publication.

EXECUTIVE BOARD OF THE N. C. STATE FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION

Chief Kimble Best, President, Whiteville, N. C.
Chief James F. Baggett, 1st Vice Pres., Roanoke Rapids
Chief Fred Shipton, 2nd Vice Pres., Salisbury, N. C.
C. H. Flanagan, Secretary, Farmville, N. C.
Horace Moore, Treasurer, Snow Hill, N. C.
T. R. Bissett, Statistician, Wilson, N. C.
Rev. H. D. Garmon, Chaplain, Charlotte, N. C.
Chief G. M. Bartlett, Advisor, Spruce Pine, N. C.
Asst. Chief J. L. Parham, Advisor, Winston Salem, N. C.
Dep. Chief W. F. Hudson, Past President, Asheville, N. C.

R. D. Lawson, Jr., Editor and Publisher

President's Message

KIMBLE BEST



The North Carolina State Firemen's Association's sole purpose in publishing the North Carolina Fire Service News is to reach every Fireman in North Carolina.

Lack of communication does exist between our State office in Farmville and our smaller fire departments.

All pertinent information that would benefit our Firemen will be disseminated to all of the Firemen throughout the State. The North Carolina Fire Service News belongs to you, the Firemen, if it is not what you want, our State office welcomes any and all suggestions on ways of improvement.

Any news from your department that you wish to have printed should be sent to Mr. Flanagan's office in Farmville, where it will be edited before going to the printers.

Hope to see you at the 85th annual conference in Asheville next month. With kind personal regards, I remain

Sincerely yours,

KIMBLE BEST

CHAPLAIN'S

CORNER

Rev. Herbert D. Garmon



"What's the good word for today Chaplain?" These words were the words that greeted me as I walked into the Fire Station the other morning. This is a good question and one that we should give some thought as we approach each new day of our lives.

As I sat down to the typewriter for this article, the above question from one of our good firemen came to mind and I asked myself, just what good word will I have for our men as we meet for our Annual Conference in Asheville this fall.

For one thing, I'll be glad to see so many of my friends from across the state. This is about the only time we get to see each other during the year unless there is some special occasion in the department or a death of one of our firemen. Even then, it is impossible to make all calls and requests that come to us from time to time.

Another thing comes to mind. I will want to congratulate our firemen from all over the state for the fine jobs that they have done in their various communities. It is amazing at the number of man-hours over and beyond the call of duty that our men give in the various fields of community service. You will find them active in scouts, little league sports, community blood-donor projects, beautification programs, safety programs, with most everyone man to man concerned about making this world a better place in which to live and let live. It is a thrill to me as I cross the state and from department to department find so many of our men involved in the religious life of the church and community. There is not a one of us but appreciates a word of encouragement from our fellowman when a job is well done. SO I SALUTE YOU.

Another thought comes to me. Am I seriously fulfilling my role in helping make this a better world in which to live? Here are some questions I am asking myself.

Am I willing to forget what I have done for others and remember what others have done for me?

Am I willing to ignore what the world owes me, and to think what I owe the world?

Am I willing to own that the only good reason for my existence is not what I am going to get out of life, but what I can contribute to life?

Am I willing to stoop down and consider the needs and the desires of little children? To remember the weakness and loneliness of people who are growing old.

Am I willing to stop asking how much my friends like me, and ask myself whether I love them enough?

Am I willing to try to understand that those who work with me in my department are real persons with hang-ups, frustrations, loneliness and fears just like I have from time to time and need encouragement.

Am I willing to trim my lamp so it will give more light and less smoke, and to carry it in from so that my shadow will fall behind me?

Am I willing to make a grave for my unkind thoughts of others and make a garden for my kindly feelings, with the gate left open?

Am I willing to do these things even for a day? If so then I am way ahead toward helping make this a better world in which to work and live. If I can do some of these things for a day, why not always?

My sincere wish and prayer for each of you that the blessings of the Almighty be upon you and your departments throughout the year. Hope to see you in Asheville.

CARROLL KNITS, INC.

P. O. Box C

Eden, North Carolina 27228

Phone 627-1137

*Polyester Cloth

*Polyester Yarn



Drunk drivers add color to our highways.

Nothing adds color to our highways like a car crash.

And drunk drivers are involved in at least 800,000 crashes a year.

And drunk drivers are involved in the killing of at least 25,000 people a year.

Highways don't have to be this colorful. It's up to you.

Drunk drivers, problem drinkers and abusive drinkers may be sick and need your help.

But first we've got to get them off the road.

For their sake and yours.

Do something. Get in touch with the National Safety Council, Dept. A, 425 N. Michigan Ave., Chicago, Illinois 60611. And your voice will be heard.

Scream Bloody Murder.



HORACE MOORE
Legislative Chairman

**PROPOSED LEGISLATION FOR THE
1973 LEGISLATIVE YEAR**

The legislative items outlined in the following paragraphs have been recommended by your legislative committee to the Executive Board of the North Carolina State Fireman's Association. Having been approved by this Board, much has already been done to make these proposals a reality in the coming year. There is still a tremendous amount of work to be done toward the final passage of these recommendations by the General Assembly. We ask for your suggestions and your help in explaining to your local representative, just what our legislative program is and what we are trying to accomplish. To put it simply, help us to help you.

INCREASED APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE PENSION FUND

The Firemen's Pension Fund was first established by the General Assembly on July 1, 1957 (Chapter 1420 of the 1957 Session Laws). Chapter 1420 provided for an additional 1% tax on all premiums written on fire and lightning policies covering property in N. C. located in an area where fire protection was available and would be apportioned to the Firemen's Pension Fund to provide firemen (both volunteer and paid) with a small pension. Later the Supreme Court declared the tax for this purpose unconstitutional.

The next General Assembly re-established the pension fund. This General Assembly continued the tax but made it a source of General Fund Revenue. The General Assembly (Chapter 1273, Session Laws of 1959) appropriated money out of General Fund Revenue to the Pension Fund to provide pensions for the firemen. The appropriation stated that the amount given to the Fund could not exceed the amount collected from the 1% tax. This restriction was deleted in 1961.

The Pension Fund is financed from contributions by the members at \$5 per month, an appropriation from the General Fund and from interest on its investments. The members rate of contribution is fixed by law at \$5 per month, while the State's rate of contribution is to be determined from time to time on the basis of actuarial valuations, so that the total contributions of the members and the State, together with the interest earned on the investments of the Fund, will be sufficient to provide the benefits payable from the Fund. With 20 years of active service, members of the Fund are eligible for the following benefits:

Age 55, \$35 per month; age 56, \$38; age 57, \$41; age 58, \$44; age 59, \$47; age 60 or older \$50 per mo.

At present there are over 4000 firemen who are members of this Fund. The Fund receives approximately \$20,000 per month in contributions from its members. At present, they are paying pensions to retired members of approximately \$50,000 per month. The actuary, on June 30, 1971, states the Fund must secure an appropriation from the State of \$700,781 each year of the 1973-75 Biennium if the Fund is to survive and be actuarially sound. Of this amount \$497,500 is provided in the base budget. Due to the small appropriation over the years the Fund has not been able to invest much money in securities or which to earn interest. Since the inception of the Fund the appropriation has never equalled the amount of revenue produced by the tax. The tax is now producing over \$750,000 per year. In the past, the Fund has received from 50% to 70% of the amount the tax has produced. Below is a schedule of the collection from the 1% additional tax and the contribution granted to the Pension Fund since July 1961.

YEAR	COLLECTIONS FROM 1% PREMIUM TAX OF FIRE INSURANCE CONTRACTS	STATE CONTRIB.
1961-62	\$ 474,745.52	\$ 235,000
1962-63	495,103.61	235,000
1963-64	488,607.09	235,000
1964-65	493,327.03	235,000
1965-66	492,341.51	460,000
1966-67	497,938.25	460,000
1967-68	555,238.62	493,300
1968-69	611,505.58	497,600
1969-70	656,489.01	497,600
1970-71	703,956.42	497,600
1971-72 to date	755,681.92	497,600
	\$6,224,934.56	\$4,339,400
Collections	\$6,224,934.56	
Contributions	4,339,400.00	
Excess of collections over contributions	\$1,885,534.56	

The membership is growing at a rapid pace, as well as the number of firemen who are retiring. The Firemen's Pension Fund desperately needs the amount recommended by the actuary. If the State continues to under-finance the program, within 10 years the Fund will not be able to meet its monthly pension requirements.

The State's appropriation for the past 8 years has been approximately the same while the membership has increased 25 to 30 per cent. The number of retirees during this period has increased over 50%.

The under-funding by each of the previous General Assemblies has seriously jeopardized the actuarial soundness of the Pension Fund.

In our opinion, it was the intent of the 1957 and 1959 General Assembly that this program be adequately financed as long as it did not exceed the revenue produced by the tax.

One of the most important items of our current legislative program, is to make sure that the next General Assembly is made aware of the urgent need to have the necessary funds appropriated to make our Firemen's Pension Fund actuarially sound. You can help by showing your local representative a copy of this legislative program, so he will have a better understanding of our problem in the coming legislative year.

N. C. LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM AFFECTING UNIFORMED FIREMEN. WHEREAS: Under G. S. 128-27, a member Fireman may retire at age 55 at a reduced monthly benefit of 65%, with 30 years service or full benefits at age 62 with 30 years service. We will ask that a member fireman be allowed to retire with full benefits at age 55 with 30 years service and that those who elect to work beyond age 55 be given the same benefits the law now provides for those who work beyond age 62, and that benefits for survivors be adjusted in a like manner.

These that I have discussed these changed with, agree that they are reasonable, when it is explained to them, that just by the nature of their employment, a professional fireman cannot safely perform some of the duties assigned to him after the age 55, and since some of these duties have been proven to be the most hazardous of all other public service occupations in the country today, it seems reasonable to ask that these men be given special consideration for early retirement with benefits that will allow them to live out their remaining years with some small amount of security and dignity. They have, after all, given the best years of their lives to their fellow citizens, and for the most part, at very low salaries as compared with other public service employees. It does seem unfair that these people should be forced, by age or other factors that prohibit them from performing their assigned duties, to retire at the small income that the reduced benefits would provide; especially when it is being proposed in some circles that others, who have made no contribution to society in any way, should receive minimum incomes of up to \$4,000.00 annually. We therefore ask the help of all firemen in seeking to correct this inequity.

FIREMAN'S DEATH INDEMNITY BENEFITS TO DEPENDENTS WHEREAS: Under G. S. 118-A, the dependents of a fireman killed in the line of duty would now receive \$5,000, we will ask that the benefits be increased to \$10,000, which is the amount the dependents of a law enforcement officer killed in the line of duty, would receive. Also to liberalize the definition of a fireman's dependent and who can actually qualify as a fireman to be covered under this Statute.

PAUL C. ECKARD ROOFING COMPANY
Commercial - Residential
495-7491
Granite Falls, N. C.

RESIGNS

KENANSVILLE — The Rev. Lauren Sharpe has resigned as Kenansville fire chief and a member of the town board. He served as mayor for 15 years prior to becoming a town commissioner five years ago.

**Smokey's friends
don't play with matches.**



**Choco Fire Tax
Referendum OK'd**

The Beaufort County Board of Commissioners today approved a request by Chocowinity Township residents for a referendum on a fire district tax levy not to exceed 10 cents per \$100 in property valuation.

The action stipulates that the election be held under the supervision of the Beaufort County Board of Elections. The date for the vote will be set later.

Request for the action was made by a delegation headed by Jennis Crisp and Bob Smith. Also attending the meeting was Mayor W. T. Barnes.

A petition signed by more than 350 freeholders was presented in support of the request.

State law, prescribing rules for fire district tax elections, provides that the election cover areas outside municipal boundaries. Residents in the Town of Chocowinity will be excluded from the vote.

Plans for the fire department at Chocowinity call for providing services to both municipal and township residents. Funds raised by the special township tax, which would be administered by the county, would be used with municipal funds to provide equipment and other facilities needed to do the job.

Steps were taken immediately after action by the commissioners to get the

machinery in operation to set up the special election.

There was some hope voiced on the board that the action might spark a countywide move to set up tax levies to support local fire departments.

Several commissioners said that the method of supporting community fire departments by taxation rather than depending on volunteer contributions is preferable because it provides a sure source of money.

On the other hand, it was noted that the volunteer plan has worked well at Bath.

State law provides that a levy of up to 15 cents per \$100 valuation may be levied by fire districts, but Crisp told the commissioners a 10 cents levy will be sufficient to meet needs at Chocowinity. He said the 10-cent levy should bring in about \$60,000. He also said plans call for the purchase of two fire trucks. The Board also:

—Heard county and city school officials ask more funds than county authorities have indicated will be allocated for schools for the 1972-73 fiscal year. The school men said the three per cent increase indicated will not meet rises caused by inflation alone.

—Heard a proposal by Dr. M. D. Gregg, Bayview veterinarian for updating and improving the dog vaccination program in the county.

FAIRGROVE FURNITURE COMPANY
Furniture Frames - Turnings - Carvings
323-9241
RFD 3 - Hickory, N. C.

BEAR DEN CAMPGROUND
Please Help Prevent Woods Fires
765-2888
RFD 1 - Spruce Pine, N. C.

BOBBY L. PRICE
Lumber Manufacturers
758-1435
Lenoir, North Carolina

INDUSTRIAL PAINTING CONTRACTORS, INC.
Residential-Commercial-Industrial
Prompt-Efficient
495-7597
RFD 1 - Taylorsville, N. C.

SOUTHERN ELASTIC CORPORATION
Elastic & Filament Nylon Yarns
Cotton Yarns
343 23rd St. S. W. - Hickory, N. C.

CRAFT CHAIR CO., INC.
Manufacturers of Upholstered Furniture
428-8174
RFD 1 - Maiden, N. C.

BUCKS HOSIERY MILL
Mens Nylon & Cotton Hosiery
Hildebran, N.C.

YOUNG HOSIERY MILL
Childrens & Mens Hosiery
RFD 2 - Catawba, North Carolina

K & N POULTRY COMPANY, INC.
636-0651
624 Gold Hill Drive - Salisbury, N. C.

SELF FRAME COMPANY
Manufacturers of Chair Frames
464-0050
Newton, North Carolina

CLARENCE D. RODGERS GENERAL CONTRACTOR
Residential - Commercial
792-3174
Hwy. 64 - Williamston, N. C.

LITTLE FRED'S HOSIERY MILL
879-8711
Connelly Springs, North Carolina

SPONSORED BY THESE INDUSTRIAL FIRMS:

EAVES MANUFACTURING COMPANY, INC.
Stoneville, North Carolina 27048
Harold C. Eaves, President
Phone 573-2561

- *Childrens Dresses
- *Jeans
- *Nite Wear
- *Boys Briefs

SOUTHEASTERN INDUSTRIES, INC.
N. E. Market Street
Riedsville, North Carolina 27320
Dr. Clayton Ammondson, President
Phone 349-3326

- *Blow Molded Plastic Products
- *Injection Molded Plastic Products
- *Polyethylene
- *Corrugated Cartons
- *Colorants



Drunk drivers bring families together

In hospital rooms and at funerals. Because that's where the drunk driver's victims wind up.

Drunk drivers are involved in at least 25,000 deaths and 800,000 crashes every year.

And what can you do?

Remember, the drunk driver, the abusive drinker, the problem drinker may be sick and need your help.

The first thing you can do is get him off the road. For his sake and yours.

Do something. Write the National Safety Council, Dept. A, 425 N. Michigan Ave. Chicago, Illinois 60611. And your voice will be heard.

Scream Bloody Murder.

SURRY COUNTY VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENTS

Name of Department	Telephone Number
Bannertown Vol. Fire Dept. Chief: A. L. McAlexander Rt. 1, Box 650 Mt. Airy, N. C.	Bus: 789-2171 Res: 786-6235 786-4719
Four Way Vol. Fire Dept. Chief: Dan Pardue R. 3 Mt. Airy, N. C.	Bus: 786-4165 Res: 786-6926 786-2324
Franklin Vol. Fire Dept. Chief: Leroy Lettwich 231 Critz St. Mt. Airy, N. C.	Bus: 789-7121 786-2212
Mountain Park Vol. Fire Dept. Chief: Franklin Simmons Rt. 1 State Road, N. C.	Bus: 835-2211 Res: 874-2246 Day: 874-2132 Night: 874-2256
Pilot Knob Vol. Fire Dept. Chief: Johnny Boyd Nelson Rt. 2 Pinnacle, N. C.	Bus: 368-2231 Res: 368-2577 368-4646
State Road Vol. Fire Dept. Chief: Glate Snider State Road, N. C.	Bus: 874-2812 874-2211
Westfield Vol. Fire Dept. Chief: Frank A. Jessup Westfield, N. C.	Bus: 351-2280 Res: 351-2285 351-2122
White Plains Vol. Fire Dept. Chief: H. Tom Marshall Rt. 8 Mt. Airy, N. C.	Bus: 786-6193 Res: 786-5891 786-2611
Central Surry Vol. Fire Dept. Chief: Wm. R. Crownfield P. O. Box 275 Dobson, N. C.	Bus: 679-8891 Res: 386-8713 386-8811

OFFICERS FOR THE EASTERN N. C. FIREMAN ASSOCIATION are:

President: Glenn Jernigan of Faison.
1st V. P.: Vann Etheridge of Wilson.
2nd V. P.: Buddy Hall of Wallace.
Treasurer: Curtis Flanagan of Farmville.
Secretary will be elected at a later date.

Outgoing President R. E. (Bobby) Joyner of Farmville presided at this meeting.

Jernigan President Fire Group

Glenn Jernigan of Faison was named president of the Eastern N. C. Fireman Association June 14 at the annual meeting of Snow Hill. Jernigan, fire chief of the Faison department since December, 1970, has been with the Faison Fire department for 13 years.

The Duplin county native is a member of the Baptist church in Faison where he is chairman of the Board of Deacons. He is married to the former Evelyn Miller of Warsaw. They have two children, Kimberly Raye, 9 and Anthony Glenn, 6.

Jernigan is also an investigator with the Duplin county sheriff's department.

ACME WOOD CORP.

655-2973

Riegelwood, N. C.

EVANS CONSTRUCTION COMPANY

General Contractors

397-6545 or 328-1156

Route 2 - Hickory, N. C.

ROCKINGHAM RESCUE

SQUAD, INC.

Madison - Rockingham Rescue Squad, Inc. was organized in April 1957 and since that time has steadily grown under first, Captain Sharpe and then Captain Dan Fuguay and at present is under the leadership of Captain Wayne Stevens.

From our beginning with one panel truck, we have since grown to five (5) major pieces of equipment, consisting of a Chevrolet Van converted to a rescue car, a Pontiac ambulance and an International one-ton van for equipment and power generator, along with acetylene cutting equipment; the other two pieces of equipment are our boat and motor and equipment trailer.

At the present time, we have 13 men trained in rescue and first aid to use this equipment in case of emergency. We also are being schooled each year to keep abreast of new methods and modern equipment and under the programs set up by the North Carolina Dept. of Insurance and are totally financed by our own personnel and our community.

Prior to 1923 Madison had no organized Fire Department. There were vats or troughs filled with water from the wells or springs in town to be used for watering horses or other livestock. During an emergency, a group usually responded to a signal and formed a bucket brigade to put out fires, or try to control it as well as possible.

In 1923 Madison bought a fire truck for the first time. This was not a pumper by mechanical method, but by hand and carried water in a tank. Still there were no trained firemen as we know today, but under the untiring effort of Mr. George Martin such men as Lloyd Wall, H. C. Kallam, Bob Moore, and others responded to the fire calls. This was sufficient until Madison began putting underground line for its water system and having a reserve in supply. In 1937, Madison bought its first pumper, purchased from Chilton Motors on a Dodge truck with a front mounted pump and hose rack along with a water tank and still under the careful eye of Mr. George Martin. This was sufficient until 1951 when the present American La France pumper was purchased at the cost of just short of \$20,000. This would pump 750 gallons of water per minute, carry 1,500 feet of 2½" hose along with air packs and foam supplies for gasoline fires. This was the beginning of training personnel and buying protective clothing for the volunteer Fire Department. Since that time, Mr. W. N. Schultz, Mr. Tommy Highfill, Mr. T. R. Moore, Mr. Lowell Poore have been guiding our department under the guidance of the North Carolina Insurance Dept. and the North Carolina Fireman's Association.

At the present time, we are members of the North Carolina Firemen's Association and the Rockingham County Association of Fire Departments. We have 16 men and new men being interviewed for future service.

From this same organization comes the men who make up the Madison Rockingham Rescue Squad.

We would like to say we are very proud of the job these men do for their town and community.

*Don't take
chances!*



WASHINGTON MILLS COMPANY

SALES OFFICE - MAYO SALES CORPORATION - EMPIRE STATE BUILDING - NEW YORK CITY - AREA CODE 212 485-4544 - MILLS - HAYSTACK, N. C. - HARRON, N. C. - SOBBON, N. C. - FRIES, VA.
Underwear · Sportswear · Sheeting · Print Cloth

P. O. BOX 1015 - WINSTON-SALEM, NORTH CAROLINA 27102
AREA CODE 919 722-4151

REPLY TO:
MAYODAN, N. C. 27027



Macfield

Madison - Reidsville - Burlington

ROBERT C. GUNN ROCKINGHAM COUNTY FIRE MARSHAL

Fire Marshal Gunn was born and raised in the central part of the county near Wentworth.

He was in the Air Force during WW II and the Korean War. He has 18 years experience in fire service. Part of this experience was gained while he was in service as a crash boat and flight line firefighter.

He has completed four years at the N. C. State Fire College & Pump School. He has also accumulated over 200 hours in a training program through the N. C. Dept. of Community Colleges. He also has several special courses in Leadership and Administration to his credit.

Mr. Gunn has been with the Wentworth Fire Dept. as a charter member for five years.



NEW DEPT. ORGANIZED

A special meeting was called in February of 1965 at the Williamsburg Community Building to discuss the possibilities of organizing a fire department. At this meeting it was voted to organize a volunteer fire department rather than have a vote for a tax supported department. It was agreed to canvas the four mile area and contact each property owner. Each owner was asked to donate or subscribe to the fire department one hundred dollars which could be apid over a period of four years. The response was better than was expected, however, this community is always ready to respond to its needs.

A few months after equipment began to come in and the building completed, a group outside of the four mile area asked if the fire department would house another pumper and service them if they, the outside area, would buy a used pumper. This was agreed on and done.

We have 54 volunteer firemen at the present time who have had training in fire fighting. We have not closed the door on anyone who wants to volunteer their service in the fire department.

We have had at least two fund raising campaigns each year. These are the Reidsville Annual Horse Show and The Williamsburg Turkey Shoot. From the receipts of these activities and donations, we have operated, bought and maintained The Williamsburg Fire Department. We have a five bay station with office, two pumpers, two tankers, one brush truck plus all needed equipment. Our community has over \$65,000 in assets which we would not have had if the vote had been NO back in February of 1965.

SHILOH VOL. FIRE DEPT.



The Shiloh Fire Dept. (Volunteer) was organized with 34 charter members. The department has 37 firemen, one pumper, one tanker, and at the present time, the department is working on a van-type rescue wagon.

The department covers a four mile radius from Shiloh Cross Roads. Part of this area is with hydrants, permitting access to water, which eliminates drafting water from ponds.

The training that the firemen have received was under the direction of the Rockingham County Community College at Wentworth. The instructor was Mr. Sidney Taylor of Mayodan, N. C. The attendance at these training periods was very good and showed the interest of the men involved.

Our present chief is Mr. Billy Farris, and the assistant chief is Mr. Jimmy Tuttle. The department has six telephones located in the area that rings when a call comes through and we have men on duty on Sunday mornings to assure the people that we will respond at any hour a call comes in. So far this system has worked well and we have got to fires in time with adequate personnel to get the job done.

Smokey's friends
don't play with matches.



SAM W. SMITH, INC.

P. O. Box 428 -- Eden, North Carolina 27228 -- Telephone 919-623-9151



The drunk driver.
He helps to eliminate the overcrowding in our class rooms.

Drunk drivers kill and injure our children.

Last year, almost 6,000 children under 15 years old were killed in traffic accidents. Countless thousands were seriously injured.

No one can be sure how many drunken drivers were responsible. But even one death or one injury is one too many.

What can you do?

Remember, it's not the drink that kills. It's the drunk, the problem drinker, the abusive drinker, the drunk driver.

Remember, drunk drivers may be sick, and we've got to give them help.

But first we've got to get them off the road. For their sake and yours.

To find out what you can do, write the National Safety Council, Dept. A, 425 North Michigan Avenue, Chicago, Ill. 60611.

Scream Bloody Murder.



CRITICISM AND COMMENTS

Please allow the Editor and Publisher your comments with regard to the general acceptance of our publication. The Association is anxious to receive the comments of the general membership. Your criticism as well as any favorable comments are solicited. The success of our magazine depends solely on our ability to improve each issue. To do this, we need editorial contributions from the fire departments and industry throughout the state. If you find you have a story or an article you would like to see appear in The N. C. Fire Service News, please send your material and glossy photographs to the address below by the first of the month prior to the month in which you would like to see your material appear.

The N. C. Fire Service News, P. O. Box 26326, Raleigh, N. C.

DO YOU WANT TO RECEIVE THE N. C. FIRE SERVICE NEWS IN THE MAIL EACH MONTH?

If any reader of The N. C. Fire Service News in industry or with any fire service agency in the state would like to receive the magazine to your home free of charge, please complete the form below.

APPLICATION FOR SUBSCRIPTION OR ADDRESS CHANGE

Name _____

Address (St. or Box) _____

City-State-Zip _____

Organization or Unit _____

Comments: _____

GREIF BROTHERS CORPORATION

Manufacturers of Metal Drums

Bladenboro, N. C.

WOLVERINE CAMPER INC.

Pickup Truck Campers
246-5119

RFD 1 - Lexington, N. C.

OUR CONGRATULATIONS AND THANKS TO

Retiring President Kimble Best

We know he has done a good job as President, just as he does a good job of making Whiteville a safer place in which to live. The efforts of him and those like him across the state are sincerely appreciated.



PEOPLES SAVINGS AND LOAN ASSOCIATION OF WHITEVILLE

415 S. Madison Street
Tel. 642-3116
Whiteville, N. C.

633 N. Brown St.
Tel. 654-6941
Chadbourn, N. C.

South Main Street
Bladenboro, N. C.



Stoneville

TELEPHONE 919-573-9851

FURNITURE COMPANY

STONEVILLE, N. C. 27048

Let's hear it for the drunks.

It's not the drink that kills, it's the drunk, the problem drinker, the abusive drinker, the drunk driver. This year he'll be involved in the killing of at least 25,000 people. He'll be involved in at least 800,000 highway crashes. After all the drunk driver has done for us, what can we do for him? If he's sick, let's help him. But first we've got to get him off the road.

Do something. Write National Safety Council, Dept. A, 425 N. Michigan Ave., Chicago, Illinois 60611. And let your voice be heard.

Scream Bloody Murder.

Advertising contributed for the public good.



REIDSVILLE FIRE DEPARTMENT

According to the Minutes in the summer of 1886 of the town of Reidsville, the town was in possession of a "ZEB VANCE" Steamer Pumper several months before ever having an organized fire department.

At a special meeting of the town commissioners, on Nov. 22, 1886, the first organized fire company was set up with the following officers and men: Charles H. Denny, Capt. & Chief Fire Marshall, W. B. Palmer, Chief Engineer, William Smithson, Asst. Engineer, Samuel W. White, Hoseman, J. W. Waynick, Hoseman, R. G. Gladstone, Jr., Hoseman, Thomas W. Terry, Hoseman, George F. Gossett, Hoseman, J. F. Stultz, Hoseman, William L. Walker, Hoseman, and Charles W. Evans, Hoseman.

This was to be a "paid" fire company. Each man was paid \$5.00 for each fire and if he failed to show up, the fireman was fined \$2.50. The company also had contracts on an annual basis with the town. At a later date, the records indicate each fireman was hired on an annual contract.

The equipment consisted, at that time, of a "steamer" pumper and three large hose reels that were pulled by hand. The water supply consisted of three 25,000 gallon cisterns located about the town. At that time, a trough was constructed under the railroad so hose could be pulled to the east side of the town.

The first motorized fire apparatus was bought in 1919, an American La France 750 gallon per minute pumper. The Fire Department was reorganized at that time, and has had six fire chiefs since that time. Tom Dallas, H. F. Trent, F. O. Weaver, Eugene Gatlin, Hugh White, and J. H. Monsees, the Present Chief, who was appointed in April 1961.

In 1928, an American La France service truck was bought and was retired in 1962 when an American La France 85 foot aerial ladder truck was purchased. The following pumpers were bought and are still in service: 1945 Ford-Oren Pumper, 1961 Ford-American La France Pumper and a 1969 Ford-American La France Pumper.

Specifications are being prepared for a Custom 1,250 GAM Pumper to replace the 1945 Pumper.

The present fire fighting force of the department consists of: 2 assistant fire chiefs, 2 fire captains, 1 fire prevention officer, 1 fire training officer, 12 firemen-drivers, and 20 volunteer fire fighters.

A spacious 13,000 square foot new station was occupied by the Reidsville Fire Department on November 29, 1970. There are four equipment bays, an excellent equipped shop for repair of all equipment, large office areas and nine (9) bedrooms for sleeping instead of an open type dormitory. All areas of the building are air-conditioned except for the shop and equipment bays. A 15,000 Watt Standby Generator is provided in case of incoming power failure.

In 1953 our Fire Prevention Bureau was first organized and inspections were made by the duty officer and men when they could be spared. In 1966, a full time Fire Prevention Officer was employed to handle and direct the Fire Prevention Program.

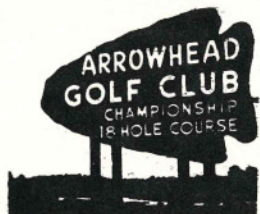
A full-time Training Officer was employed in 1966 and has worked out fine. There is some type of training held for all paid personnel and our volunteer firemen come in on Thursday mornings and Thursday nights to train with the paid men.



CAROLINA VENEER INC.
Single Ply Veneer
Thomasville, N. C.

POINDEXTER LUMBER CO., INC.
Lumber—Millwork—Building Supplies
765-1630

1805 S. Stratford Road — Winston-Salem, N. C.



I-95 Highway at Mebane, N. C.

563-5255

PROPANE TRUCKS, INC.
Manufacturers of Propane Tank Trucks
639-2569
Angier, North Carolina

MEADSTOWN AIRPORT
330-4103
RFD 1 — Elizabeth City, N. C.

VERNON YATES
Installation—Repairing—Pumping
869-4477
Denton, North Carolina

RIVERSIDE AIRCRAFT REPAIR SERVICE
664-4500
Perth Church Road
Mooresville, North Carolina

FIBERGLASS REPAIRS & SALES
Repairs to Automobiles—Boats
Fiberglass Products Sold
443-1485
RFD 1 — Rocky Mount, N. C.

TAR HEEL BANANA CO., INC.
Wholesale Only
725-9774
848 N. Trade St. Winston-Salem, N. C.

EDUCATIONAL

More than 40 educational and campaign items for Fire Protection Week 1972 are now available from the National Fire Protection Assn. (NFPA). Sponsored internationally by NFPA, Fire Protection Week will be Oct. 8—14.

"Fire Hurts" is the slogan on this year's national poster, available as a three-color display item and in outline form as a coloring sheet for children. The new illustration also appears in the 1972 edition of "Facts About Fire", an informative flyer containing brief write-ups, some outstanding recent fire photographs, and fire cause and loss figures.

Home and on-the-job fire hazards are subjects of a wide variety of illustrated folders and booklets — several of them new this year — which make excellent hand-outs and envelope stuffers. There also are paper placemats, now on four topics, and a paper napkin which fits standard dispensers, all of which effectively carry the fire safety message to plant, school and commercial eating places.

For children, a newly-designed bookcover, a game, and a number of educational story and coloring booklets all feature Sparky the Fire Dog. Also perennially popular is the Sparky's Fire Department membership kit.

A sample packet of NFPA's Fire Prevention Week materials, including a price list and order form, is available on request. The Association also offers free of charge a clip-sheet of short articles and fillers for use in any publication. To obtain the sample packet and/or clip-sheet, write to NFPA Public Information Services, 60 Batterymarch St., Boston, Mass. 02110.



AROUND THE CLOCK SERVICE

HandStar
FIRE PROTECTORS



Burgess FIRE EQUIPMENT, INC.
1103 EAST HARPER AVENUE
LENOIR, NORTH CAROLINA 28645

HENRY BURGESS
109 TYWOOD PLACE
AC 704 - 754-5491

PHONE
704-754-4264

Old Model-T Fire Truck Refurbished For Parades

The shiny, new-looking vehicle above is the 52-year-old Model-T fire truck belonging to Eden Fire Company No. 2. The truck was completely repainted and generally "spruced up" prior to use in a number of Christmas parades.

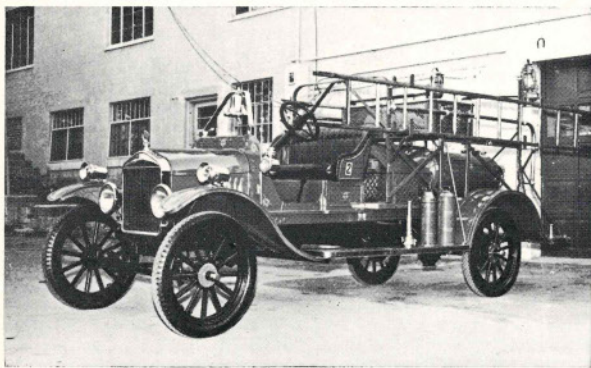
Firemen Claude Underwood of the Draper Sheeting Mill Weave Room, and Dickie Powell, of the Blanket Mill Wool Carding Department, were leaders in the project to refurbish the antique fire truck. They and other firemen spent many hours of their spare time in the work.

In addition to the repainting, new decals were added, all the chrome and brass metalwork was cleaned and polished. The runnings boards were recovered and a new floorboard put in. The axe and ladder were restored.

The truck has been used for many years in Christmas parades throughout a wide area. It was in the Charlotte parade on Thanksgiving Day and in the Eden and Martinsville, Va., parades the following day. The antique truck was in the Draper parade December 4 and will be in the Stoneville parade December 11.

The old truck is a Model-T Ford, believed to be a 1919 model, one of 31 such vehicles that were made. There is only one other remaining and it is understood to be in some town in the Midwest.

Feldercrest donated the old fire truck to the Draper firemen many years ago. The firemen restored it and added various features making it suitable for parade use.



This antique fire truck, a 1919 Model-T Ford, belongs to Eden Fire Company No. 2 (Draper). Fieldcrest donated the truck to the Draper Fire Department many years ago. The firemen have recently repainted and refurbished the truck.



**Don't take
chances!**

RUSSELL PENNELL
Lumber Manufacturer
632-9645
Taylorsville, N. C.

**GUARD
AGAINST
FIRE**



NORTH CAROLINA FIREMEN'S PENSION FUND

RETIREMENT LIST FOR MAY, 1972

Name & Dept.	No.	Retirement Age	Date	Yrs. Ser.	Monthly Benefits	Assessment
William J. Euliss, Sr. Graham, N. C.	1361	57	4-30-72	32	\$41.00	\$770.00
James Edwin Neal Marion, N. C.	1362	60	4-23-72	30	\$50.00	\$770.00
Alric Linwood Brinson Morehead City, N. C.	1363	59	4-30-72	29	\$47.00	\$770.00
Robert S. Pettigrew Reidsville, N. C.	1364	55	4-30-72	21	\$36.00	\$770.00
James Robert Moore, Jr. Rocky Mount, N. C.	1365	59	4-4-72	30	\$47.00	\$770.00
James C. Brooks Roxboro, N. C.	1366	55	4-29-72	30	\$36.00	\$770.00
J. Edward Gregory, Jr. Smithfield, N. C.	1367	57	4-30-72	28	\$41.00	\$770.00
D. R. Shoup Charlotte, N. C.	1368	58	4-8-72	30	\$44.00	\$770.00

TOTAL NUMBER OF RETIREES FOR MAY — 1,089
TOTAL AMOUNT OF BENEFITS CHECKS FOR MAY \$49,294.00

Jackson VFD Learning Job

JACKSON—Nearing the end of a fourteen week training program, some of the firemen of the Jackson Community VFD burned two out buildings and an old, frame, two-story house belonging to Connie McCain. All the firemen gained valuable experience in handling hose and nozzles as the house was entered repeatedly and the flames knocked down. Much worthwhile experience was gained in controlled burning and containment of a fire as the fire was allowed to spread over the house.

The Jackson Community VFD has not obtained any equipment yet and is very grateful to the Waxhaw and Sandy Ridge Fire Departments, their chiefs Warren Plyler and Wade Helms, and the firemen of these departments for loaning the Jackson

Community VFD the pumper, tank, protective equipment, and support in this valuable lesson.

The class is being conducted by Tom Gardner who is with the Charlotte Fire Department and holds an associate degree in firefighting. The training program is an extension course of Anson Tech in Anson County. Gardner's experience and knowledge have been very helpful to the Jackson Community firemen.

The burn was finished off when weiners and soft drinks donated by Fred McCain were brought out and the firemen of the three departments gathered around the glowing embers of the house and enjoyed a weiner roast.

Approximately 3000 gallons of water was used in the training session. The Waxhaw VFD pumper consumed about 20 gallons of gas during the operation. The 1000 gallon Sandy Ridge VFD tanker was filled three times during the exercise.

PINE HALL BRICK & PIPE COMPANY

2701 Shorefair Drive

Madison, North Carolina 27025

W. P. Steele, Ex. V. P.

548-6007

CLAY BRICK

ROCKINGHAM BLOCK & READY MIX CO.
Boren Clay Products Company
Harry Akers Street
623-2197
Eden, N. C. 27288

SAFETY DEVICES INCORPORATED

Telephone 919-764-0440

P.O. Box 368

Welcome, N. C. 27374

Smith New Fire Chief

John R. Smith, 47, of 703 Ann street was elected chief of the Mount Olive Fire department by firemen recently. Smith succeeds Guy V. McKee, Jr., who resigned on June 8, citing "pressing business problems and activities" as his reasons.

The new fire chief has been a member of the local fire department for the past 13 years. He has served as a captain of the fire-fighting unit

and was assistant chief at the time of his election to chief. Fireman Clyde Reaves was elected as assistant chief to replace Smith in that position.

Smith is a native of the Seven Springs area of Wayne county and was reared in the Duplin county section of Rose Chapel. He has been a resident of the Mount Olive area all his life. Smith owns and operates a service station on North Breazeale avenue.

MANNING FABRICS, INC.
865-4166
St. Pauls, North Carolina

DELNO BOONE GENERAL PAINTING
Commercial - Residential
539-2856
Rich Square, North Carolina

HINSON FURNITURE CO.
Manufacturers of Custom Made Church Furniture
No Order too Large or too Small - Since 1952
642-7674
Hwy. 701 By-Pass Whiteville, N. C.

RAY WARD PAINTING CONTRACTOR
Residential - Commercial
358-3921
Winton, N. C.

BUS STATION
Charter Service - Sea Shore Transportation
946-3021
Hackney Ave., Washington, N. C.

LITHIUM CORPORATION OF AMERICA, INC.
Chemicals for Industry
Bessemer City, N. C.

MINTON PLASTIC & RUBBER COMPANY
Plastic Reprocessing
882-2918
1200 A Eastchester Drive - Highpoint, N. C.

EVERGREEN HARDWOOD COMPANY
Manufacturers of Hardwood Squares
Evergreen, N. C.

OUR 48th YEAR
of Service
to Southeastern
North and South Carolina

Leder Pros.
DEPARTMENT STORES

in the following cities:

Whiteville, N. C. Clinton, N. C.
Jacksonville, N. C. Smithfield, N. C.
Rocky Mount, N. C. Mt. Olive, N. C.
Concord, N. C. Tabor City, N. C.
Loris, S. C. Conway, S. C.
Marion, S. C.



Arba Fire and Rescue Stands Ready . . .

Arba Fire District approved

The Arba Rural Fire Department has been approved by the N. C. Rating Bureau as of June 19, 1972, according to Horace Moore, Greene County Fire Marshall. This brings to a total of 10 rural fire districts which have been approved for Greene County, which means a reduction in fire insurance premiums for property owners.

The county now has 20 fire trucks, 6 rescue vehicles and 386 firemen serving the people of the entire county.

For those who own property in the Arba Fire District, you should contact your insurance agent for lower premium rates and for all emergencies - CALL 747-3888, Snow Hill.

COTTON BELT INC.
Manufacturers of Upholstered Furniture
Bedding
Pinetops, N. C.

PANYL OF NORTH CAROLINA
Manufacturers of Wall Paneling
Murfreesboro, N. C.

YOUNCE & RALPH
Preserve Our Woodlands
Prevent Woods Fires
Belhauen, N. C.



HOLIDAY HOUSE INC.

Manufacturers of High Quality Mobile Homes

P. O. BOX 334, WHITEVILLE, N. C. 28472

PHONE (919) 642-5051

(Subsidiary of Price Meyers Corp., Elkhart, Indiana)

Which Assumed Ownership January 1972 of Holiday House



Holiday House, Inc.
A Subsidiary of Price-Meyers Corporation
Whiteville, North Carolina



Price-Meyers Corporation
Mt. Pleasant, Texas Division



Price-Meyers Corporation
Executive Offices
Elkhart, Indiana



Price-Meyers Corporation
Elkhart, Indiana Division



Price-Meyers Corporation
Leola, Pennsylvania Division

LARRY FRISBY
General Manager

TOM THOMAS
Sales Manager

ART BELUE
Greenwood Zone Mgr.

JIM LYONS
Somerset Zone Mgr.

TRIANGLE BRICK COMPANY
Manufacturers of Face and Common Brick
544-1796
RFD 4 Durham, N. C.

WARSAW MANUFACTURING COMPANY
Dress Manufacturers
Warsaw, North Carolina

THOMAS FURNITURE COMPANY
Institutional Furniture Manufacturers
885-2923
High Point, N. C.

JAMES L. WILLIAMS SAW MILL
Please Prevent Forest Fires
Hwy. 401 N. Raeford, N. C.

LEA LUMBER COMPANY
Plywood - Logs
794-3151
Windsor, North Carolina

NELSON FRAME WORKS
Living Room Furniture Frames
RFD 1 - Sophia, N. C.

FARMERS CHEMICAL ASSOCIATION, INC.
Agricultural Chemicals
Ahoskie, North Carolina

EDGEcombe CASKET COMPANY
Wood & Metal Caskets
Pinetops, N. C.

Durham Firemen Like Their New 56-Hour Work Week

By JIM LASLEY
Herald Staff Writer

Durham firemen are working shorter weeks now, and officials say they like it.

The 56-hour week, a long-time goal of city administrators, went into effect July 1. Before then, firemen worked a 72-hour week.

"With the reduction in hours, a firemen's duty schedule provides him with 35 additional 24-hour days per year that he is not required to work," City Personnel Director Jim French said.

"His new duty schedule requires the fireman to be at the station 100 days and nights, and he gets 256 days and nights off each year," French said.

The new set-up provides for a fireman to be on duty every other day for 14 days, then he is off duty for seven consecutive days.

"In other words, he has seven consecutive days off during every 21-day cycle in addition to being off during his regular vacation, holidays and sick leave days off," French said.

Under the old schedule firemen worked every other day for 11 days and then had three days off.

Chief J. A. Letzing thinks firemen are pleased and appreciative of the new hours.

"I have never seen them more satisfied with their hours," he said. "It gives them more time to be off and at home with their families."

Charles R. Taylor, president of the Durham Fire Fighters Association, also is pleased with the new hours.

"Everybody seems satisfied," he said. "There have been no complaints in particular with working conditions."

About 100 firemen are affected by the new schedule, French said.

Durham is the fifth city in North Carolina to go to a 56-hour week or less. There are 54 cities in the state with a population of 20,000 or more whose fire departments work more than 56 hours weekly, French said.

Greensboro, Gastonia and Winston-Salem work the same schedule as Durham. Charlotte firemen are on a 52-hour week, the lowest in North Carolina.

"The shorter hours are well deserved," French said, "because of the hazardous duty and when on duty they are away overnight."

He said the trend, which is set in the North and Midwest, has been to go to the 56-hour week.

"The goal eventually may be to reach the 48-hour work week,

but nobody in the state has it yet," French said.

He said the fire department has little personnel turnover, and credited that to working conditions, dedication and salaries.

"We never have any trouble filling vacancies," he said. "The resignations we have usually come from retirement."

As a result, the fire department has more men working at the top of their salary levels than any other city department, French said.

On Aug. 1, when the city's 5 per cent pay raise goes into effect, a fireman's annual salary will range from \$6,829 to \$8,719.

"He will be paid at a rate between \$62.65 and \$90 for each 24-hour duty period at the fire station," French said. "This represents an over-all salary increase in the past 2½ years of 85.6 per cent for the private fireman."

Four other cities — Charlotte, Winston, Burlington and Asheville — have higher starting salaries than does Durham, he said.

With the August raise, Durham's 20 fire captains will be paid at a rate of between \$90 and \$102.10 for each of his 109 days and nights on duty. Captains also will be off 256 days per year.

"These pay increases per tour of duty for fire department personnel result from the reduction of on-duty periods required per year and general salary increases that the city has provided for city employees," French said.

A minimum of 36 firemen are on duty at all times. The department operates on a three-platoon system with one working and two off.

During a 24-hour duty period, in addition to being dispatched on emergency calls, firemen spend at least eight hours in training or maintaining equipment. The remaining 16 hours is for sleeping and recreation.

Many firemen have other jobs for their off-duty hours. French said they do a variety of things, ranging from electrical work and landscaping to driving trucks and being attendants at service stations.

"The city doesn't object to firemen having these other pursuits," he said.

GENERAL EQUIPMENT MFG., INC.
Manufacturers of Tire Retreading Equipment
767-5048
Winston-Salem, N. C.

GERALD ANDERSON CONSTRUCTION CO.
Commercial - Residential
638-2232
Bridgeton, N. C.

Hardwood Products
DIMENSIONS MILLING CO., INC.
Denton, North Carolina

Sponsored By:

CATAWBA VALLEY SECURITY SYSTEMS
Fire & Burglar Alarm Specialists
Residential-Commercial-Industrial
24 Hour Service - 7 Days A Week
328-6973 or 328-8563
256 3rd Ave. N. W. - Hickory, N. C.

KEN CAMPBELL, INC.
Manufacturers of Upholstered Furniture
High Point, N. C.

METAL BED RAIL CO., INC.
Manufacturers of Bed Frames
Lexington, North Carolina

TRINITY FRAME COMPANY
Manufacturers of Furniture Frames
Trinity, North Carolina

KEPLEY & FRANK HARDWOOD COMPANY
Hardwood Lumber
RFD 6 - Lexington, N. C.

DOUGS OF HIGH POINT
Manufacturers of Recliners and Sofa Beds
Trinity, North Carolina

POWELL HARDWOODS
Hardwood Furniture Squares
RFD 2 - Kelly, N. C.

BLACKS CUSTOM CABINET COMPANY
475-1826
115 E. Holly Hill Road - Thomasville, N. C.

VARNUM BOAT BUILDERS
Custom Boat Builders
842-6362
Shallotte, North Carolina

FREEMAN ALLEN PAINTING CONTRACTOR
Residential - Commercial
237-6458
1105 Hanover Ave. - Wilson, N. C.

NORTH CAROLINA FIREMEN'S PENSION FUND
NEW MEMBERS FOR MAY, 1972

Stephens A. Alexander
Shepherds
4-1-72

Claude D. Gwaltney
Mt. Olive
1-1-72

Timothy R. Goodson
Mt. Olive
1-1-72

Robert E. Holmes
Mt. Olive
3-1-72

Carl S. Jones
Mt. Olive
2-1-72

Glenn R. Odom
Mt. Olive
1-1-72

Alonzo J. Oulow
Mt. Olive
3-1-72

George W. Swinso
Mt. Olive
1-1-72

Ronald S. Pack
Tryon
4-1-72

William D. Sutton
Wilson
5-1-72

Lander H. Bustle, Jr.
Charlotte
4-1-72

Roy L. Henson
Charlotte
5-1-72

C. W. Long
Charlotte
4-1-72

Walter A. Rorie
Charlotte
5-1-72

Delmon H. Lamm
Wilson
5-1-72

Roy C. Page
Wilson
5-1-72

James Albert Skinner, III
Wilson
5-1-72

James C. Lankford
Tyron
4-1-72

Jimmie Britt
Lumberton
5-1-72

Carl R. Cagle, Jr.
Sylva
4-1-72

W. Larry Appling
Bib B
4-1-72

Paul R. Farris
Bib B
5-1-72

James L. Green
Big B
4-1-72

Edward L. Raines
Big B
4-1-72

Paul E. Williams
Big B
4-1-72

Vernon C. Smith
Mulberry-Fairplains
5-1-72

Dwight C. Autry
Erwin
5-1-72

Ernest M. Barefott
Erwin
5-1-72

Ted E. Bradshaw
Erwin
5-1-72

Jesse L. Davis
Erwin
5-1-72

Billy W. Hobbs
Erwin
5-1-72

William M. Horne
Erwin
5-1-72

Louis G. Joseph
Erwin
5-1-72

Dwight N. Keen
Erwin
5-1-72

Steve M. Cash
Troutman
5-1-72

William F. Menster
Troutman
5-1-72

Lathan G. Ostwalt
Troutman
5-1-72

Sammy H. Hinson
Mt. Gilead
4-1-72

Frank W. Ingram
Mt. Gilead
4-1-72

Josie F. Baker
Tarboro
3-1-72

Carl D. Bumgarner, Jr.
Valdese
5-1-72

Lee V. Hawk
Skyland
5-1-72

James G. Lynch
Skyland
2-1-72

W. C. Smith
Skyland
2-1-72

Raymond B. Anderson
Wilson
5-1-72

Leroy Barnes
Wilson
5-1-72

Earl Thomas Best
Wilson
5-1-72

James E. Davis
Wilson
4-1-72

Ronnie C. Durham
Wilson
5-1-72

James Etheridge
Wilson
5-1-72

Donald Ray Johnson
Wilson
5-1-72

Billy E. Moran
Erwin
5-1-72

Neil A. McLean
Erwin
5-1-72

George R. Pope
Erwin
5-1-72

Edwin L. Smith, Jr.
Erwin
5-1-72

Charles E. Talley
Erwin
5-1-72

Orville R. Post III
Black Mt.
1-1-72

Jimmy B. Marze
Harrisburg
5-1-72

Jimmie J. Causey
Asheville
5-1-72

Wade E. Brown
Boone
5-1-72

James A. Farmer
Rocky Mount
5-1-72

Alvis D. Burgess
Eden No. 2
5-1-72

James S. Bouldin
Eden No. 2
5-1-72

Virgil K. Crowder
Upper Hominy
4-1-72

Jason R. Mcford
Upper Hominy
4-1-72

Clarence K. West
Upper Hominy
4-1-72

GENERAL FIREPROOFING

Manufacturers of Metal Office Furniture

Forest City, North Carolina

J. S. LILLEY & SONS, INC.

House Moving Contractors

946-4751

Pactolus Hwy. - Washington, N. C.

"Good Builders Since 1925"

INDUSTRIAL - COMMERCIAL - PUBLIC
AND CHURCH BUILDINGS

BARGER
CONSTRUCTION CO., INC.

MOORESVILLE

NORTH CAROLINA

P.O. BOX 30

PHONE 663-3611

PAUL M. BOST
TRUCKING

279-4376

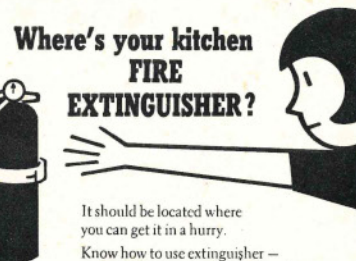
ROUTE 2, BOX 46

ROCKWELL, NORTH CAROLINA

Compliments of the Staff & Employees of:

KOPPERS COMPANY, INC.

Morrisville, North Carolina



It should be located where
you can get it in a hurry.
Know how to use extinguisher -
review the instructions occasionally.

"Compliments of a Friend of the Fire Department"

TOTAL ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP - 3929

BANNERTOWN VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

The Bannertown Volunteer Fire Dept. was established in Sept. 1963. It now consists for 35 firemen, two pumpers, one tanker truck, and one grass and brush fire truck.

They are a member of the N. C. State Firemen's Assn. and the National Fire Protective Assn. This department covers a four-mile 9A rated district, plus fringe area.

The business affairs are controlled by a 12-man board of directors including Clayton Willis, President, John F. Booker, Vice Pres., Jack Arnfield, Treasurer, and Porter F. Coe, Secretary.

Fire Chief Junior Snow is a member of the Surry County Firemen's and Chief's Assn., N. C. Association of Fire Chiefs, SE Association of Fire Chiefs, and the International Assn. of Fire Chiefs.

First Assistant Fire Chief, Joe F. Arnfield, is a member of the Surry County Firemen's Assn. and the Surry County Fire Chief's Assn.



RUFFIN FIRE DEPT.

The Ruffin Fire Department was organized in October, 1961, under the leadership of Chief Charles Wharton. There are now 25 members. Sanford Lipford is Chief, Charles Dalton, Asst. Chief; Reid Strader, Treasurer; Ernest Lee, Secretary. Since 1961, we have answered 520 calls.

At our beginning we had one 700-gallon per minute pumper, tank capacity—500 gallons. We now have two 700-gallon per minute pumpers, one 1,234-gallon tanker, and one 3/4-ton, 4-wheel drive brush truck.

This department has been financed by donations, county assistance, and a genuine community effort with stews, barbecues, and numerous other fund-raising projects.

This small community can be justly proud of a fine, efficient fire department and equipment valued at approximately \$112,000. Without the full support and co-operation of everyone involved, this would never have become a reality.



SPRINGS ROAD FISH CAMP

Fresh Fish and Seafood Our Specialty

RFD 1 — Conover, N. C.

DAVID LONG PAINTING CONTRACTOR

Residential—Commercial

442-2744

RFD 2 — Rocky Mount, N. C.

HARPER H. SUTTON TRANSPORTATION CO.

Franchise Carrier

Petroleum—Grain—Tobacco—Lumber

523-5092

RFD 2 — Kingston, N. C.

SPONSORSHIP BY THESE INDUSTRIAL FIRMS:

ARMTEX, INC.

300 Depot
Pilot Mountain, N. C. 27041
Phone 368-2251

J. R. Stevenson, V. P.

- *Circular Knit Fabric
- *Spun Cotton Yarn
- *Spun Acrylic Yarn
- *Textured Polyester Yarn
- *Textured Nylon Yarn

MONTAIR, INC.

Nelson Street
Pilot Mountain, North Carolina 27041
Phone 368-4701

B. T. Vogler, V. P.

- *Polypropylene Monofilament
- *Polypropylene

Make it your duty to know
these...



MATCHES - CIGARETTES

Small children shouldn't play with matches and lighters. But they do — and cause very serious fires. And grownups may be careless with cigarettes — causing more fires.



ELECTRICITY - Frayed or worn

extension and lamp cords may spark and cause fires.

Use only 15 amp. fuses for most lighting circuits.

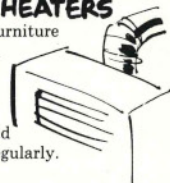
Too many plugs in one outlet like this may heat up wires inside a wall — dangerous!

STOVE - HEATERS

Curtains, clothes and furniture should be kept away from stoves and heaters.

Cooking fats spilled on stoves easily catch fire.

Stoves and heaters should be checked and cleaned regularly.



RUBBISH

Piles of newspapers, boxes, old clothes and trash make a good place for a bad fire to start.



**JACOB'S CREEK
STONE COMPANY, INC.**
"Nor=Carla Bluestone"

Reg. U.S. Patent Office 573-329
Phone (919) 857-2602
P.O. Box 608 857-2609 DENTON, N. C. 27239

**GILBERT
MACHINERY MOVERS**

REAL REEL CORPORATION
Corrugated Paper Cloth Winding Reels
For The Textile Industry
633-5151
Salisbury, N.C.

MACHINERY MOVING INCLUDING

Textile Machinery
Boilers - Tanks - Rigging
311 21st Street SE Phone 324-5008
HICKORY, NORTH CAROLINA

PIRATES TABLE
Daily Specials-Seafood
Open 10AM-8PM
758-0710
519 Dickinson Ave. Greenville

TOM JOYCE
Excavating Contractor
Free Estimates
548-2756
RFD 1 Madison N.C.

PENNACO

DIVISION OF U. S. INDUSTRIES
Mount Pleasant, N. C. Batesville, Miss.
Concord, N. C. Grenada, Miss.
Faith, N. C. Memphis, Tenn.

CLARK'S LOG CABIN
Barbecue Pork-Steaks-Seafood-Civic Groups
946-3031
Hwy. 17S. Washington, N.C.

BLAND HAVEN NURSING HOME
857-5264
RFD 11 Salisbury, N.C.

FUQUA HOMES (NC) INC.
MFGRS
Parkway Mobile Homes
Henderson, N.C.

Whitakers Government

WHITAKERS: . . The Town of Whitakers is governed by a Town Council which meets every first Monday night at 7:30 p.m. in the Whitakers Town Hall.

Comprising the Town Council are a board of five members and the mayor, Hershall Johnson, mayor of Whitakers, chairs the board. Other members are E. T. Pittman, retired rural mail carrier for the U. S. Postal Service; Ray Flowers, employed by Blanchard Yarn Company; Thomas A. Betts, Jr. of Betts Realty Co.; Joseph Stallings, self-employed, and Earl Barnes, employed by Burlington Industries.

Also adding to the government of the Town of Whitakers is a Town Clerk, W. F. Overman.

The Whitakers Fire Department is headed by Fire Chief L. B. Hagwood. The department operates with two fire trucks and one water wagon.

The Police Department, with Ollie Boykins serving as Chief of Police, employs five policemen both full and part-time and operates with one police car.

An asset to the town that the people in Whitakers are proud of is the gar-

bage packer truck and the flat body trash pick-up truck service that is offered by the town.

Something that most small municipalities do not have that exists in Whitakers is a Board of Adjustments. This board deals with zoning matters, hears complaints, hardships, and other matters of interest to the people of Whitakers.

Serving on this committee is Mrs. K. C. Knight, recently appointed, Willie Powell, Lee Ward, Proctor Alford, Chairman, and Mrs. Meiba Jones.

The Board of Adjustments meets and hears the complaints of individuals and businesses and carries their complaints to the Town Council at their regular meeting.

Adding even more to the steady structure of the Town of Whitakers is their governing bodies and branches of services which are pointed out in this article.

Next week the Progress will conclude the series on "Welcome to Whitakers" with a look at civic affairs, churches and schools, and an overall picture of the growth and progress of this rural community.



PLEASE!



SHARON GOLF CLUB
Semi-Private
366-3848
Park Road - Charlotte, N. C.

WHITAKER PAVING COMPAN.
Commercial-Residential
Driveways-Parking Lots-Roads-Streets
374-5617
RFD 2 - Pilot Mt., N. C.

FREMONT DIESEL COMPANY
One of the Finest Rebuilding Facilities in N. C.
All Work Guaranteed
242-5954
Green St. - Fremont, N. C.

Compliments of
SOUTH LEXINGTON BAIT CO.
Lexington, N. C.

ROBERT E. FORGA TRUCKING
456-3279
Waynesville, N. C.

IN A FIRE

Seconds Count!

Many Thanks to Our Firemen
DOVER GARMENT CO., INC.
Dover, N. C.

SHEWS WOODCARVING COMPANY

Wood Turning

754-6151

RFD 7 - Lenoir, N. C.

MAYODAN COCA COLA BOTTLING COMPANY

111 E. Main Street
Mayodan, N. C. 27027
548-2340

L & S MANUFACTURING COMPANY

Manufacturers of Box Springs Frames
869-2179

RFD 3 Denton, N. C.

CHARLES LANKFORD CONTRACTOR

Residential-Commercial
859-6777

420 Lockhart Road - Tryon, N. C.

JACK R. MANESS COMPANY

Contractors
Plastering-Dry Walls-Acoustical Ceilings
869-2181

Denton, North Carolina

B & A HOSIERY COMPANY

396-3111

Granite Falls, N. C.

WADE T. SNIDER SURVEYING SERVICES

Registered Land Surveyor
249-0732

134 Eastside Drive - Lexington, N. C.

GLOBE CITY BEACH CAMPGROUND

Hwy 90 - 754-4752
20 Mi. NE of Lenoir, N. C.



SACRED HEART CATHOLIC CHURCH

295-6550

Pinehurst, North Carolina



WACCAMAW WACCAMAW BANK AND TRUST COMPANY

WHITEVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA 28472 • 306 South Madison Street • P. O. Drawer 632 • (919) 642-4101

WACCAMAW BANK & TRUST COMPANY • Member UNITED CAROLINA BANCSHARES **ucb**

It's your **RESPONSIBILITY** to
PREPLAN your family fire escape
(especially from bedrooms at night).

Have an **ALTERNATE**
ESCAPE ROUTE
from each room!

Hold it!

Don't fling open that door.
Heated gas and smoke may
be on the other side.
If door is hot or seeping
smoke, block door and
stuff the cracks.

But, if conditions permit,
stand to one side while
braced against door... open
it cautiously. Be ready to
close it quickly if necessary.
(Rule: Always sleep
behind a closed door.)



Fire and smoke can block
your hall or stairway exit.
A **WINDOW** is usually your
"best bet". One window should
be low and large enough to
get through. Are storm windows
or screens easily removed,
even by youngsters?

Second floor windows may
provide a rooftop exit.

But, don't kill yourself by
a panic jump. Open window
a crack at top... and at bottom
for some fresh air. Hang a
sheet out to signal rescuers.



It's too late when fire strikes!
PLAN NOW - have **Two EXITS** from each room.
Be sure everyone knows how to use them!

WHITEVILLE PLYWOOD, INC.

• MANUFACTURERS OF HARDWOOD PLYWOOD

PHONE 642-7114 (Area Code 919) • P. O. BOX 722 • WHITEVILLE, N. C. 28472

FRANKLIN

VOL. FIRE DEPT.



The Franklin Vol. Fire Dept. first opened for calls on April 1, 1960 with Roy Lawrence as its first chief and Wayne Easter and Ray Riggs as assistant chiefs.

The department, which was organized largely through the determined efforts of Mr. James O'dell, had one truck, twenty-six volunteer firemen and twelve directors.

The first call to the department was at 12:15 one morning to a tractor trailer that had caught fire coming down Fancy Gap Mt., north of Toast, N. C., where the department is located.

The second call to the department was to a house just a few yards from the fire station, where the firemen doused the flames coming from upstairs of the two story dwelling with only 500 gallons of water.

On Saturday, July 25, 1964, a little over four months after its fourth birthday, the department held its mortgage burning ceremonies in front of the fire station. The \$32,000 mortgage was burned by its chief for that year, Mr. Wayne Easter, and Mr. James O'dell, president of the board of directors.

The department, just ten years old, has grown through the hard work and co-operation of over 30 firemen, of which Davis Smith is chief and Smith Hardy is assistant chief. The Board of Directors consists of 15 men with Mr. Paul Chilton acting as President. The

consists of 15 men with Mr. Paul Chilton acting as President. The Ladies Auxiliary of the Fire Department also helps to raise money for the organization.

In the ten years the department has been in operation, it has purchased two pumpers, two tankers, a brush buggy and a power unit. The department covers a radius of six miles, covering a populated area of approximately 12,000 and containing 2,800 homes and 200 businesses. The department has answered over 800 calls to homes and businesses in the area.

HOLLAND CO., INC.
Safety Equipment & Supplies
246-6909
Lexington, N. C.

Acme-Delco-Riegelwood

'Colonel' James Fireman Of Year

Fireman H.J. James was recently elected Fireman of the Year by members of the Acme - Delco - Riegelwood Fire-Rescue Department.

"Colonel" James, as he is called by members of the department, has been an active part in the A-D-R unit since joining the organization six years ago. As building committee chairman, he was responsible for a building addition which consisted of four more bays to the present fire station. He continued to spearhead a movement to upgrade the department headquarters by remodeling the old office and converting it into a lounge. Also built was a squad room complete with red carpet and air conditioning.

"Colonel" James was project chairman when the unit decided to build a "brush" truck, designed by James, for woods fires and numerous other uses. The design has since been used by many other departments. One manufacturer of fire trucks stated, "This truck has features I've never dreamed of."

Fireman James also received the Fireman of the Year award in 1969. He holds the rank of captain in the department and at present is serving as a member of the board of directors of A-D-R Fire-Rescue Inc.

Fireman James designed

another piece of fire fighting equipment recently placed into service by the A-D-R department. This late addition is a new fire truck labeled "Quick-out" because it enables all the necessary equipment to be transported to the fire on a single vehicle. James and members of the unit worked a total of 14 months to complete the truck themselves, saving the department approximately \$5,000.

The equipment carried by "Quick-out" includes a complete lighting system, smoke ejector, foam equipment, resuscitator, two air packs, helmets, boots, pants, coats, gloves, spike poles, two one and one-half inch fire hose, and 400 gallons of water with a 350 G.P.M. pump. This truck is set up at the scene of the fire and the A-D-R tankers supply any additional water which may be needed.

Previously the department ran a 10-ton tanker on rural alarms. Due to the weight, this truck was slow in getting to the scene. With the addition of the "Quick-out" truck, the department feels that they will be able to reduce the property loss in the area due to fire.

Fireman H.L. James and his wife, Veata, reside in Reigelwood. They have two sons, Jerry and Michell. Jerry is also a captain in the A-D-R Fire-Rescue Department.

ROY H. KANE
ELKIN, N. C.

NATIVE OF VIRGINIA
ATTENDED ROANOKE, VIRGINIA CITY SCHOOLS.

EMPLOYED BY SURRY COUNTY, N. C. AS DIRECTOR OF EMERGENCY SERVICES.

WIFE: ADDIE STULTZ KANE OF WINSTON-SALEM, N. C.

ORGANIZED WINSTON-SALEM RESCUE SQUAD IN 1938, SERVED AS CAPTAIN 1938, 1939, 1940.
ORGANIZED ELKIN RESCUE SQUAD 1940. SERVED AS CAPTAIN 1940, 1941, 1942.

PRESIDENT ASSOCIATED PUBLIC SAFETY COMMUNICATIONS OFFICERS, CAROLINA'S CHAPTER.

PAST PRESIDENT N. C. CIVIL DEFENSE ASSOCIATION.
PAST REGIONAL VICE-PRESIDENT IRFAA.
APPOINTED SECRETARY-TREASURER N. C. ASSOCIATION OF RESCUE SQUADS 1962.
ELECTED EXECUTIVE SECRETARY 1963.

PAST MASTER ELKIN MASONIC LODGE.

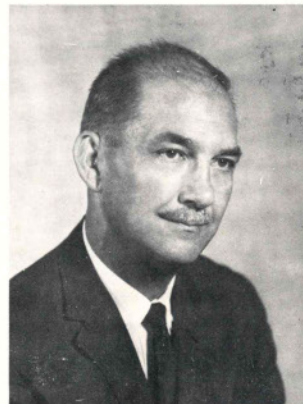
NOW SERVING: EXEC. SECRETARY-TREASURER N. C. ASSOCIATION OF RESCUE SQUADS.
SECRETARY SURRY COUNTY FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION
INSTRUCTOR FIRE SERVICE TRAINING, DEPT. OF COMMUNITY COLLEGES.
INSTRUCTOR RESCUE SERVICE TRAINING, DEPT. OF COMMUNITY COLLEGES.

ATTENDED THE FOLLOWING SERVICE SCHOOLS:

GRADUATE: N. C. FIRE COLLEGE
N. C. FIRE COLLEGE PUMP SCHOOL
UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND - SHORT COURSE "RESCUE TRAINING".

MEMBER: INTERNATIONAL RESCUE & FIRST AID ASSOCIATION
N. C. ASSOCIATION OF RESCUE SQUADS
ELKIN EMERGENCY RESCUE SQUAD
N. C. FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION
SURRY COUNTY FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION
NATIONAL FIRE PROTECTION ASSOCIATION
ASSOCIATED PUBLIC SAFETY COMMUNICATIONS OFFICERS
U. S. CIVIL DEFENSE COUNCIL
N. C. CIVIL DEFENSE COUNCIL

MEMBER: CEDARBROOK COUNTRY CLUB
THE KIWANIS CLUB
ELKIN LODGE NO. 454 MASONIC LODGE
SUDAN TEMPLE - SHRINE
FIRST METHODIST CHURCH, ELKIN, N. C.



WHITEVILLE FIRE DEPT.

The Whiteville Fire Department received its charter in 1928. Chief Archie A. Rushing headed the department for 40 years. Chief Rushing retired in 1963. Kimble Best was promoted to chief at that time. A new fire station was completed in 1963. Whiteville is a city of 4,100 population. Fire personnel consists of seven paid firemen and 21 volunteers. Two paid firemen are on duty 24 hours a day. Firemen work a 66 hour work week. All firemen are under the N. C. Local Governmental Employee's Retirement System—Pay Plan and Personnel Ordinance: longevity of \$3.00 per month for each fireman, two weeks vacation and nine holidays per year — Local Supplementary Fireman Retirement System plus N. C. State Firemen Pension Fund.

Fire apparatus consists of three American La France custom pumpers and a 2,000 gallon tanker with 500 GPM pump. Whiteville enjoys a Class 6 classification.



ROGER E. MARTIN TRUCKING

PHONE 974-4314
EAGLE SPRINGS, NORTH CAROLINA

ABRAHAM SMITH, JR.
Since 1947

All Types of Mason Work
791-5106
RFD 3 Wilmington, N. C.

W.D. HODGE & SON
Painting Contractors
Interior—Exterior
371-2525
RFD 1 Leland, N.C.

IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY CHURCH

Rev. Arthur L. Duncan, Pastor
605 Barbee Street
Telephone 882 - 6253
High Point, North Carolina

CHIEF KIMBLE BEST

Chief Best is a native of Whiteville. He was first employed as a fireman in January 1953. He was promoted to chief in July 1963.

Chief Best is Past President of the Sandhill Firemen's Association. He is now President of the N. C. State Firemen's Association. He is a member of the N. C. Fire Chief's Association and the International Fire Chief's Association.

Chief Best is an Episcopalian and is a member of the Vestery Board and a member of the Whiteville Lions Club.

Mrs. Best, formerly Ruby Sides, is employed by the Columbus County Hospital as a medical technician. They have one son, Ray Allen, who is employed by the DuPont Company.

Chief Best is a graduate of the Fire College and Pump School — 1958 Class. He is also a graduate of the Municipal Fire Administration School — 1967.



ELKIN FURNITURE COMPANY, INC.
P. O. Box 230
Elkin, North Carolina 28621
Phone 236-6161
A. G. Biggs, President
*Lumber
*Mirrors
*Veneers
*Finishing Materials

ON-THE-JOB "HOUSEKEEPING" RULE:



TAKE CARE WHEN...putting out cigarettes or matches

A trash container should never be used as an ash tray.



...protecting against flying sparks

Grinding, welding or electric sparks can seek out unseen combustibles.

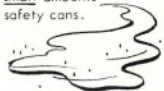
...storing oily rags

Some can burst into flame spontaneously. Keep in closed metal containers.



...handling flammable liquids

Avoid spilling. Keep only small amounts on hand -- in UL labeled safety cans.



...disposing of waste accumulations

Make good housekeeping and frequent clean-ups part of every job. Trash or scrap becomes a fire tempter... just waiting for a chance to burn.



CHATHAM MANUFACTURING COMPANY
ELKIN, NORTH CAROLINA 28621
TELEPHONE -AREA 919- 835-2211



It's your RESPONSIBILITY to PREPLAN your family fire escape (especially from bedrooms at night).

Have an ALTERNATE ESCAPE ROUTE from each room!

Hold it!

Don't fling open that door. Heated gas and smoke may be on the other side. If door is hot or seeping smoke, block door and stuff the cracks.

But, if conditions permit, stand to one side while braced against door... open it cautiously. Be ready to close it quickly if necessary. (Rule: Always sleep behind a closed door.)



Fire and smoke can block your hall or stairway exit.

A WINDOW is usually your "best bet". One window should be low and large enough to get through. Are storm windows or screens easily removed, even by youngsters?

Second floor windows may provide a rooftop exit.

But, don't kill yourself by a panic jump. Open window a crack at top... and at bottom for some fresh air. Hang a sheet out to signal rescuers.



It's too late when fire strikes! PLAN NOW-- have Two EXITS from each room. Be sure everyone knows how to use them!

NORTH CAROLINA ASSOCIATION OF FIRE CHIEFS

AUGUST 14 - 15, 1972

Monday, August 14, 1972

- 8:00 A. M. Registration
- 9:30 A. M. Call to Order-----President R. C. Black
Invocation-----Rev. H. D. Garmon, Chaplain
Introductions-----Chief Powell Ball, Host Chief
Address of Welcome-----Mayor Richard A. Wood, Jr.
Response to Welcome-----Chief John McGlohon, Asheboro
- 10:00 A. M. Business Session
Reading and Approval of Minutes-----Secretary J. A. Letzing
Appointment of Committees-----President R. C. Black
Report of Officers
President's Report-----President R. C. Black
(Vice-President Carroll Sullivan presiding)
Treasurer's Report-----J. A. Letzing, Treasurer
Presentation Life Membership Cards---Rev. H. D. Garmon, Chaplain
- 11:00 A. M. Keynote Address
The Honorable J. B. Hunt
Democratic Nominee for Lt. Governor
Introduction-----Chief Ben Williams
- 12:00 Noon Lunch
- 1:30 P. M. Workshops
- 4:30 P. M. Adjourn

Tuesday, August 15, 1972

- 9:00 A. M. Call to Order-----President R. C. Black
Invocation-----Rev. H. D. Garmon, Chaplain
- 9:05 A. M. "Arson Investigation"
Mr. Charles Dunn, Director
State Bureau of Investigation
Introduction-----Chief Carroll Sullivan
- 10:00 A. M. "Commissioner's Office"
Mr. John Ingram
Democratic Nominee for Commissioner of Insurance
Introduction-----Chief John Sykes
- 11:00 A. M. "Fire Research and Safety Act"
Mr. Richard Byrely
National Bureau of Standards, Washington, D. C.
Introduction-----Chief Thurman Bishop
- 12:00 Noon Lunch
- 1:30 P. M. "Report on Record Books -----Mr. Sherman A. Pickard
Business Session
Report of Committees
Other Reports
Election of Officers
Adjourn - To Banquet - 7:00 P. M. - Battery Park Hotel - Gold Room
Presentation of President's Plaque-----President
Installation of Officers-----Rev. H. D. Garmon
Chaplain

PROGRAM
85TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE
of the
NORTH CAROLINA STATE FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION
ASHEVILLE CITY AUDITORIUM
ASHEVILLE, N. C.

WEDNESDAY, August 16, 1972

THURSDAY, August 17, 1972

8:30 A.M.
OPENING OF CONFERENCE Chief Kimble Best,
Pres., Presiding
POSTING OF COLORS
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
INVOCATION Rev. H. Garmon,
Chaplain
INTRODUCTION Dep. Ch. W. Hudson
ADDRESS OF WELCOME Hon. R. Wood,
Asheville Mayor
Chief T. Bissitt
RESPONSE TO WELCOME
CONFERENCE BUSINESS
READING AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE
LAST CONFERENCE
APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES—Pres. K. Best.
Credentials and Elections Committee
Courtesy Committee
Sargeant at Arms
ANNOUNCEMENTS
NOMINATION OF OFFICERS

9:00 A.M.
ELECTION POLLS OPEN FROM 9:00 until 11:00 A.M.
9:30
CALL TO ORDER Pres. Best
INVOCATION Rev. H. Garmon,
Chaplain
INTRODUCTION OF SPEAKERS H. Moore
PROGRAM—NEED FOR A BURN CARE CENTER IN
N. C. — Presented by Mr. J. W. Stackhouse, Goldsboro,
N. C., Mr. Emory S. Hunt of the Medical School, UNC,
Chapel Hill, N. C. and Mr. Wm. Griffin, Snow Hill Fire
Dept., Snow Hill, N. C.
PRESENTATION—FIREMAN OF THE YEAR AWARD
TO THE OUTSTANDING FIREMAN OF N. C.
FOR THE YEAR 1972
COURTESY COMMITTEE REPORT
SELECTION OF 1973 CONFERENCE CITY
ANNOUNCEMENT OF OFFICERS ELECTED—
Chairman of the Elections Committee
INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS Rev. Garmon
PRESENTATION OF PRESIDENT'S
CUP AND GAVEL President Best
ADJOURN

11:00 A.M.
FIREMEN'S MEMORIAL SERVICE—CENTRAL
METHODIST CHURCH, Church Street

12:00 Noon
Recess

2:00 P.M.
CALL TO ORDER Pres. Best
INTRODUCTION OF SPEAKER Horace Moore
SPEAKER Mr. Hargrove
(Skipper) Bowles
Democratic Nominee for Governor of N. C.

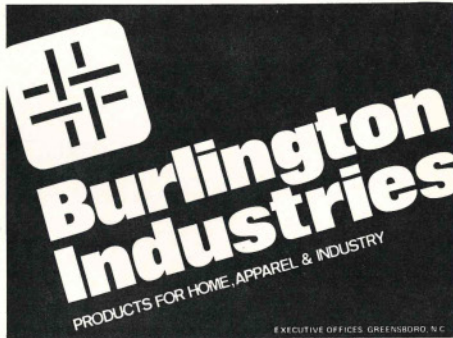
REPORT OF OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN:
PRESIDENT Ch. Kimble Best
SECRETARY Curtis H. Flanagan
TREASURER Horace Moore
STATISTICIAN T. R. Bissett
LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE Horace Moore,
Chairman and the Hon. Sam D. Bundy, Member of
the General Assembly of N. C.
FIRE COLLEGE & PUMP SCHOOL Ch. R. Powell,
Director
N. C. DEPT. OF INSURANCE—FIRE & RESCUE
SERVICE TRAINING DIVISION Mr. K. Phillippe, Dir.
B. McKinzie, Ex. Sec.
FIREMEN'S PENSION FUND
REPORT OF ANY SPECIAL COMMITTEES

ANNOUNCEMENTS

TIME AND PLACE OF VOTING
OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

7:00 P.M.

BANQUET — DANCE



BURLINGTON MADISON YARN DIVISION
Madison, Mayodan, Stoneville, Twintex Plants

FAIRGROVE FURNITURE COMPANY
Furniture Frames - Turnings - Carvings
323-9241
RFD 3 — Hickory, N. C.

BEAR DEN CAMPGROUND
Please Help Prevent Woods Fires
765-2888
RFD 1 — Spruce Pine, N. C.

BOBBY L. PRICE
Lumber Manufacturers
758-1435
Lenoir, North Carolina

INDUSTRIAL PAINTING CONTRACTORS, INC.
Residential—Commercial—Industrial
Prompt—Efficient
495-7597
RFD 1 — Taylorsville, N. C.

SOUTHERN ELASTIC CORPORATION
Elastic & Filament Nylon Yarns
Cotton Yarns
343 23rd St. S. W. — Hickory, N. C.

CRAFT CHAIR CO., INC.
Manufacturers of Upholstered Furniture
428-8174
RFD 1 — Maiden, N. C.

BUCKS HOSIERY MILL
Mens Nylon & Cotton Hosiery
Hildebran, N.C.

YOUNG HOSIERY MILL
Childrens & Mens Hosiery
RFD 2 — Catawba, North Carolina

K & N POULTRY COMPANY, INC.
636-0651
624 Gold Hill Drive — Salisbury, N. C.

SELF FRAME COMPANY
Manufacturers of Chair Frames
464-0050
Newton, North Carolina

CLARENCE D. RODGERS GENERAL CONTRACTOR
Residential — Commercial
792-3174
Hwy. 64 — Williamston, N. C.

LITTLE FRED'S HOSIERY MILL
879-8711
Connelly Springs, North Carolina

MT. AIRY FIRE DEPT.

The Mount Airy Fire Department was organized February 8, 1904. The Department was started with two hand reels, and 25 volunteer firemen. In 1913 a fire wagon was purchased by the town with a horse named Ruben to pull the wagon. Then in 1916 the town purchased its first piece of motorized fire equipment. In 1926, the town purchased its second piece of fire fighting equipment. We still have this piece of equipment and it is in good running order. As years have gone by the town has purchased three other pieces of fire fighting equipment: a 1947 America LaFrance, a 1954 Ford with a Seagraves pump and a 1968 America LaFrance.

The Fire Department has grown from one small fire station to a new headquarters station on Rockford Street at a cost of over \$150,000 with ten paid firemen, twenty volunteer firemen and over \$95,000 worth of fire fighting equipment. The old station downtown is still in operation with men and equipment stationed there around the clock. The Mount Airy Fire Department has plans for an additional fire station in the northern section of town. The town has just annexed additional property to just about double its square miles. The Fire Department has grown with the addition of a 1800 gallon water tanker and other additional fire fighting equipment.

The Mount Airy Fire Department answers approximately 170 alarms a year and has a fire prevention program going on with over 3500 fire inspections made last year. The Department has a training program going on all year.

The Department services over 10,000 in population with a maximum running distance of a little more than 4 miles to the farthest point from either fire station.

Painting - Paper Hanging - Interior - Exterior

243-5494

HUBERT ALLEN PAINTING

406 W. Nash - Wilson, N. C.

EUGENE CHANCE & SONS

House Movers

Serving Eastern North Carolina

We Move Any Structure - Fully Insured & Bonded

892-5573

RFD 4 - Dunn, North Carolina

HOMESPUN HOSIERY MILL, INC.

In Appreciation of Our Firemen

Lincolnton, North Carolina

LINWOOD MANUFACTURING COMPANY

Single Ply Veneer

Lindwood, North Carolina

MAPLE WOOD CARVING COMPANY

In Appreciation of Our Firemen

RFD 2 Thomasville, N. C.

MASONITE CORP.

Fabricated Hardboard

Thomasville, North Carolina

SKYLAND VOLUNTEER

FIRE DEPARTMENT

The Skyland Fire Department, the first rural fire department in Buncombe County was organized in 1954 under the supervision of a 15-member Board of Directors. A used fire truck was purchased and housed in a local service station until such time as the fire station (under construction) could be built. The station was put into use late in the fall of 1954. Funds for building the fire station, purchasing land, equipment, etc. also operating expenses came from donations and various money-making projects in the community. The firemen met weekly for training drills and secured help in instructions from Asheville and Brevard, N. C. Fire Departments. As the community progressed and more industry moved in, a fire district was established and a fire tax voted in to help with operating expenses and to buy new equipment. Soon a sub-station was built in the Averys Creek community and another fire district established. A 1960-model 750 GPM Pumper is manned from this sub-station. Today the equipment at the main station consists of the following:

- 1-1964 Model 750 GPM Pumper
- 1-1968 Model 1,000 GPM Pumper
- 1-1972 Model Grass and Brush Fire Vehicle
- 1-Rescue Truck, boat and motor plus various other pieces of small equipment

Today the department operates under the supervision of a 16-member Board of Directors. There are three full-time paid firemen and 38 volunteers. Every fireman is alerted by radio receivers in their homes by their own base radio station.



BARRIER & SON FURNITURE, INC.

Manufacturers of Household Furniture

Thomasville, N. C.

**RAEFORD
AVIATION INC.**
LICENSED INSTRUCTORS
AIR TAXI SERVICE
PARACHUTING



Basic Sky Diving Instructions
Exhibition Jumps
Santa Claus Jumps

875-3261

Raeford, N. C.

EASTERN N. C.

FIREMEN HOLD MEET

Some 150 firemen from Fire Departments located in the eastern part of N. C. met in Snow Hill on Wed., June 14, at the Snow Hill Moose Lodge Auditorium where they were served dinner. Afterwards, the regular business meeting was held and officers elected for the coming year.

A program was then presented by Mr. Johnnie Stackhouse of Goldsboro and Mr. Emory S. Hunt of the University of N. C. Medical School, who are in the process of trying to raise \$500,000 to start a center for the treatment of burns at the UNC Medical School in Chapel Hill.

Bill Griffin of the Snow Hill Fire Department assisted in the program by showing a film made at one of the Burn Centers supported by the Shriners.

The effort to establish this much needed facility got the support of all present and the same program will be given at the N. C. State Fireman's Association meeting to be held in Asheville in August of this year.

It is the hope and aim of the firemen to contribute \$50,000 to this cause. If any person would like to contribute to this fund, they may contact Horace Moore, Green, Green County Fire Marshal.



Firefighters rescue strategy is the subject of the exercise in the above photo. It is one of the courses offered at the 44th Annual North Carolina Fire College and Pump School. About 300 firefighters from across the state were registered for the meeting. Asheville hosted the school for the first time since 1933.



Dependable Railway Service
And
Choice Industrial Sites

NORFOLK & SOUTHERN RAILWAY CO.

828-7262

Raleigh, N. C.

Firemen

Elect Slate

New officers of the Havelock Volunteer Fire department have assumed their new duties.

In an election conducted last month the members elected Henry Sermons as chief, Steve Olkowski and Benny Oakley as assistant chiefs, Sam Wooten as treasurer and Dale Wooten as secretary.

Routine procedure calls for the selection of the chief to be ratified by the town board.

JOE W. HOLLARD ROOFING COMPANY

Residential - Commercial

Repairs

237-3429

601 Granger - Wilson, N. C.

NURSING HOME

FIRES & THEIR CURES

"Nursing Home Fires and Their Cures" is a new publication by the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) intended to increase awareness of life hazards from fire in nursing homes and to show what can be done to improve the situation.

Collected in a 40-page booklet are 10 major articles and 7 shorter case histories of recent nursing home fires, all reprinted from the NFPA periodical Fire Journal. There are 40 photographs and diagrams also.

Trained investigators' reports include on-the-scene evaluations of factors contributing to nursing home fires. Recommendations for avoiding similar tragedies range from methods of handling patients in a fire emergency to fire protection measures. There also is the report of the 1971 State Fire Protection Requirements Survey for Nursing Home Life Safety, conducted by NFPA.

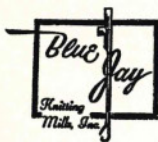
This new NFPA booklet brings together material of value to nursing home supervisors and staff, to architects, and to fire marshals, fire inspectors, fire prevention officers, and others in the fire service.

Copies of "Nursing Home Fires and Their Cures" (NFPA No. SPP-17) are available at \$2.50 each; a schedule of discounts applies to orders for 25 or more copies. All orders should be addressed to the NFPA Publications Service Dept., 60 Battery March St., Boston, Mass. 02110.



A Perfect Landing

Firemen attending the 44th annual North Carolina Fire College and Pump School meeting this week on Erwin Hills Road watch as an instructor demonstrates the proper procedure to use in jumping from a burning building. About 300 fire fighters from across the state are registered for the classes which end Friday. (Staff Photo by Bill Sanders) Asheville N. C. Times



BINGHAM ROAD
P. O. BOX 6654
ASHEVILLE, N. C. 28806
PH. #704 / 253-4465



Let's hear it for the drunks.

It's not the drink that kills, it's the drunk, the problem drinker, the abusive drinker, the drunk driver. This year he'll be involved in the killing of at least 25,000 people. He'll be involved in at least 800,000 highway crashes. After all the drunk driver has done for us, what can we do for him? If he's sick, let's help him. But first we've got to get him off the road.

Do something. Write the National Safety Council, Dept. A, 425 N. Michigan Ave., Chicago, Illinois 60611. And your voice will be heard.

Scream Bloody Murder.



Vanderbilt Shirt Company
INCORPORATED
BINGHAM ROAD • P. O. BOX 851 • 704/253-4716
ASHEVILLE, N. C. 28802

WIN-TEX KNITTING MILLS

BINGHAM ROAD • ASHEVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA 28806 • (704) 253-3863

1972 TRAINING COMMITTEE

CHAIRMAN
Fire College Director

Deputy Chief R. L. Powell, Jr.
Greensboro Fire Department

MEMBER
Assistant Fire College Director

Deputy Chief J. A. Letzing
Durham Fire Department

MEMBER
Assistant Fire College Director

Assistant Chief J. L. Parham
Winston-Salem Fire Department

MEMBER

Chief Powell N. Ball
Asheville Fire Department

MEMBER

Z. R. Sheppard, President
Buncombe County Firemen's Association

MEMBER

H. Elwood Incoe, Director
Fire and Rescue Division
N. C. Department of Insurance

MEMBER

R. Keith Phillippe, Supervisor
Fire Service Training
Department of Community Colleges

LIAISON

RECORDS AND REGISTRATION

Ty West, Director of Extension
Asheville-Buncombe Technical Institute

HOST

CITY OF ASHEVILLE FIRE DEPARTMENT

Powell N. Ball, Chief

ASHEVILLE-BUNCOMBE TECHNICAL INSTITUTE

Thomas W. Simpson, President

BUNCOMBE COUNTY VOLUNTEER FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION Zeb R. Sheppard, President

AIDS

N. C. DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY COLLEGES

Calvin Beck

N. C. DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY COLLEGES

Bart Cope

SUBJECTS:

1. Development of Manipulative Fire Ground Skills. (Hose evolutions, ladders, breathing apparatus, hand tools, fire extinguishers, structural firefighting)

Instructors:

- * W. H. Osborne
- R. B. Kent
- H. P. Oxner
- N. M. Allred

2. Pump Courses:

- a. Operating Principles of Fire Department Pumps

Instructors:

- * P. C. Riley
- J. E. Warren

- b. Preventive Maintenance of Fire Department Pumps

Instructors:

- * T. A. Lander
- M. C. Shelton

3. Fire Rescue:

Instructors:

- * Graham Johnson
- Lynn Harkins

4. Officers Fire Fighting Tactics:

Instructors:

- * V. B. Etheridge
- T. E. Riley

5. Fire Ground Strategy and Command:
(Prerequisite: Officers Tactics or Command Position Chief)

Instructors:

- * W. O. Dowdy
- J. D. Ryan
- Jarvis King

6. Flammable Liquids and L. P. Gases:

Instructors:

- * Dawson Nethercutt
- Earl Denny
- C. J. Robbins

7. Pre-Fire Planning:

Instructors:

- * R. Kenneth Scott
- James R. Peterson

* Lead instructors in charge of sections

FIRE COLLEGE & PUMP SCHOOL TRAINING

