

Charlotte



Close-Up

Monday meanderings— Gift: "Mommie," the 12-year old asked, "what do you want for Christmas?"

Sign: On the door of Lake's Restaurant, "Carson, Roy—we're at Roger's bar-que."

Ad: In The News addressed to the father of the first baby born in the New Year...

Wise Words: A woman's mind is clearer than a man's. She changes it more often.

Quote, Unquote: "It's not only the work I enjoy, said the taxi driver, "it's the people I run into."

Wee Scot! A canny Scot was engaged in an argument with a conductor as to whether the fare was to be five cents or ten cents.

Tombstone: On an Army post... "To the memory of my little mule named Maggie, who in her lifetime kicked one general, four colonels, two majors, ten captains, 24 lieutenants, 42 sergeants, 452 privates and one bomb."

Executive Type: The busy executive asked his secretary... "Come, come, you know I'm busy. Which part?" he said.

Tailgate: Then there was the case of the hotel guest who couldn't open his suitcase so he phoned the desk clerk to send up a screwdriver.

Local Airport's Year 'Busiest' Douglas Municipal Airport officials reported today the local air terminal is about to complete its busiest year...

Judge Will Rule On Lawn Cases City Recorder's Court Judge Basil Boyd today continued prayer for judgment in the cases of eight Charlotte teenagers accused of damaging lawns.

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I Remember When... Park & Recreation Commission sponsored home lighting contests at Christmas...

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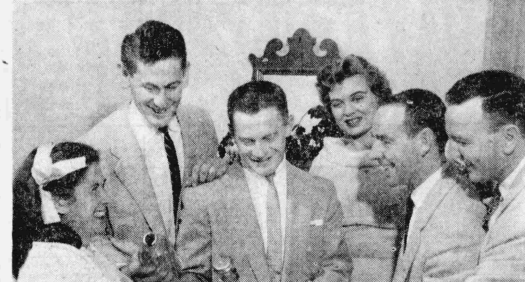
People Just Aren't Getting Married These Days'

By JIM SCOTTON Charlotte News Staff Writer Most business in Mecklenburg County may be booming—but not the marriage business.

June is still the favorite marrying month, Mr. Renfrow said. Last June 127 couples got licenses to wed. August was second with 121 couples signing up.

Mr. Renfrow became Register of Mecklenburg County in December, 1952. He's issued marriage licenses to the children of persons who also got their licenses from him.

even say a word when an 86-year-old man came in a few years back to apply for his first wedding license.



(New Staff Photo by Tom Franklin—Martin)

HOCKEY FAN GETS CLIPPER BLOOD

Mrs. Theodore Ellis is the Charlotte Clippers hockey team's number one fan. Whenever the Clips hit the ice, Mrs. Ellis is at rink-side, cheering "her" Clippers on.

John Muckler, Ker Murphy, halftime entertainer Carrie Smith, Gerry Sullivan and Bibber O'Hearn.

City Sets Record In Traffic Deaths

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County School 'Extras' Bring Nearly A Million

By DICK YOUNG Charlotte News Staff Writer Extra funds totaling almost a million dollars were raised and spent by students and patrons in Mecklenburg County schools last year.

1956 Bloodshed Toll Is Highest In Five Years

Charlotte drivers set a five-year record of deaths and injuries in 1956.

CAFETERIA FUNDS Sunny Skies Are Coming

In addition to these funds Mr. Wilson said that the county school cafeteria system produced \$200,000 last year.

THREE OF THEM

December is next. Already five persons, three of them pedestrians, have been killed on city streets this month.

It's 'Auld Lang Syne' Time In The Queen City

By DICK BAYER Charlotte News Staff Writer The Queen City will spend New Year's Eve holding a combined wake for the old year and shower for the new, with a mixture of party songs and hymns.

Health Clinic Gets Go-Ahead Signal

The Mental Health Clinic today heard its go-ahead signal to search for another psychiatric team.

Pineville Man's Death Probed

An autopsy was scheduled today to determine the exact cause of death of a Pineville man found dead in his home.

Diarrhea In Babies Can Be Serious

By JOSEPH G. MOLNER, M.D. Mrs. G. A. M. asks for information about a baby problem which is serious—or can be serious. It is diarrhea. She writes:

Doctors Praise New Column

A committee of the Mecklenburg County Medical Society has reviewed the health information columns of Dr. Joseph Molner which start today in The Charlotte News and found the medical information "accurate and authentic."

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