

## Currie Gets Award As Forest Warden

Horace Currie of Merry Point has received an award for over 25 years of faithful, continuous, public service as chief forest warden of Lancaster County. Currie was presented the award by District Forester John Graff at a recent conference of all forest wardens and foresters at Camp Pendleton.

Currie began his career as chief forest warden of Lancaster when the county was first organized for forest fire control in 1937. He served on a part time basis for over 20 years, working primarily when there were forest fires to put out. The increasing public interest in other phases of forestry brought more demands upon Currie and in 1961 he accepted a full time position with the Division of Forestry.

Currie points out that great progress has been made in fire suppression in recent years. Much of this success has come through the work of the volunteer fire companies. Their quick and able response to a fire call has prevented a countless number

of small fires from becoming large destructive forest fires.

The public is becoming more aware of the danger of forest fires and realizes more fully the need for preventing fires. The prevention of forest fires is still a big job that remains to be done and Chief Forest Warden Currie solicits the help of everyone in preventing forest fires.



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## Lancaster Co. Leads In Social Security Recipients, Funds

Lancaster County, with total annual payments of over one million dollars, leads the Northern Neck in both the number of social security recipients and the amounts of social security payments to residents for the year 1963, according to statistics compiled by Social Security Administration.

During the past year 1,622 citizens of Lancaster County received \$1,117,488.

Payments for 1963 in other Northern Neck counties were \$982,488 to 1431 recipients in Northumberland County, \$648,852 to 994 recipients in Richmond County and \$950,040 to 1560 recipients in Westmoreland County.

As of December 31, 1963, there were 359,286 persons in Virginia who received social security benefits and total amount paid to Virginia residents in the year of 1963 amounted to \$249,514,920.

Benefits under social security were practically the sole source of income for almost one-fifth of the couples 65 years of age and older and for more than one-third of single persons 65 years of age and over.

## Telephone Group Meets At Irvington

The Traffic Committee of the United States Independent Telephone Association and other traffic representatives from the American Telephone and Telegraph Company met at the Tides Inn in a two-day conference to discuss advances in communication as it affects the traffic departments and service to the customers.

Such discussions result in the preparation of literature by the Traffic Committee which is distributed to the entire independent telephone industry by the U. S. Independent Telephone Association.

The literature prepared by this committee receives wide distribution through the telephone trade journals.

This group is co-ordinating all the toll facilities throughout the United States and working out new ways to better serve the customer by all telephone companies in the United States.

The Tidewater Telephone Company was host to this group on Monday evening.

Among committee members present were J. B. Noggle, Virginia Telephone and Telegraph Co., Charlottesville, chairman; B. M. McMullen, American Telephone and Telegraph Co., New York City; L. A. Birch, General Telephone, New York; H. H. Butler, USITA, Washington, D. C.; R. D. Carlyle, Illinois Consolidated Telephone Co., Mattoon, Ill.; B. H. Zehnder, United Telephone Co., Kansas City, Mo.; R. W. Hubbard, Loraine Telephone Co., Loraine, Ohio; H. I. Irwin, California Water and Telephone Co., Monrovia, Calif.; W. A. Shale, American Telephone and Telegraph Co., New York.

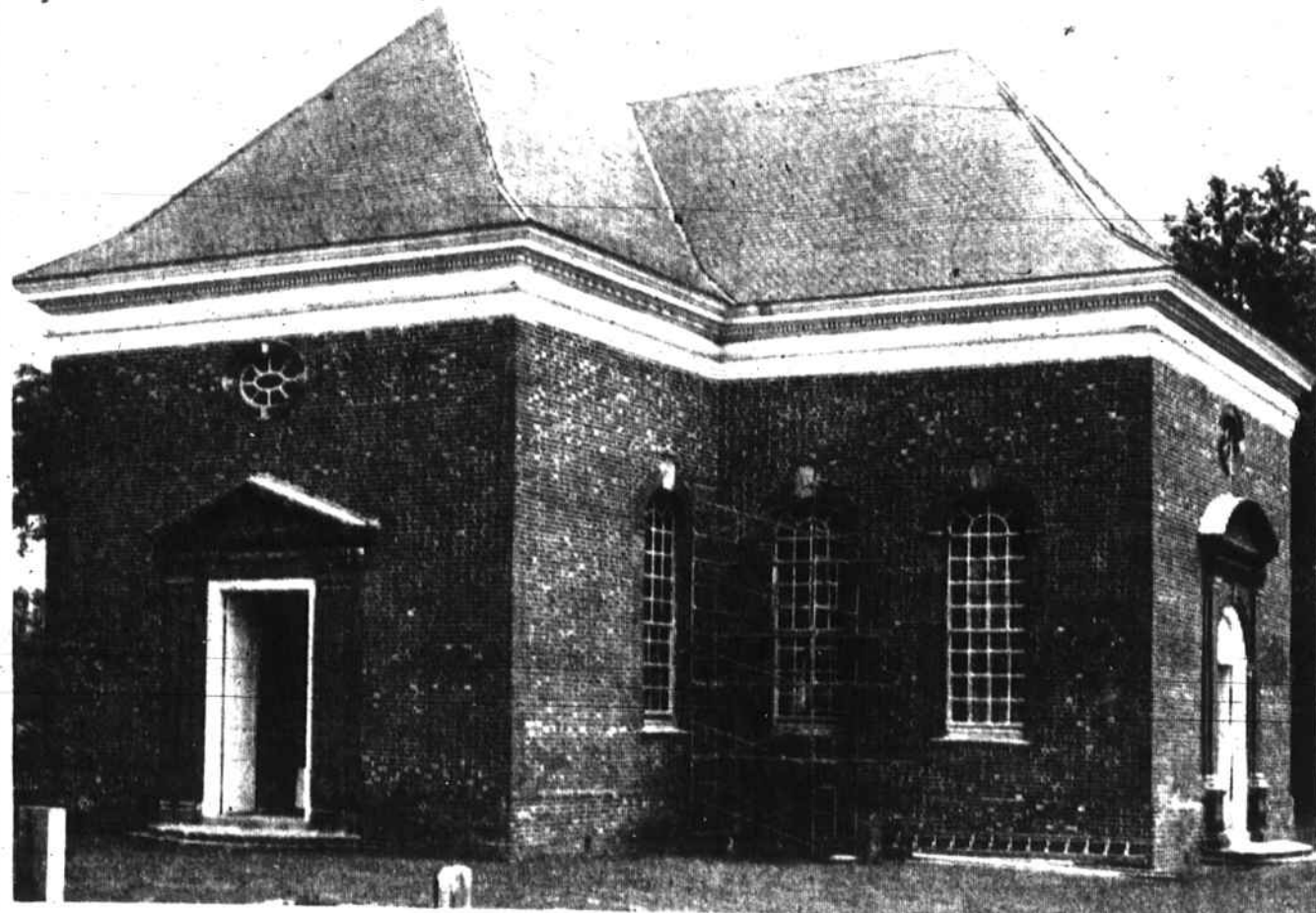
## Lifeguard At Pool Cited For Heroism

A lifeguard at the pool of the Windmill Point Marina whose quick action saved a child's life has been cited for heroism by the Chesterfield Junior Chamber of Commerce.

Miss Judi Trum, an 18-year-old Chesterfield June graduate of Huguenot High School, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George W. Trum, received a plaque and praise from the Jaycees Monday night.

Miss Trum after finishing her work for the day at Windmill Point was visiting friends near Tappahannock on June 14 when 2-year-old Kathy Packard, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. William Packard of Midlothian, almost drowned in the Rappahannock. The child was discovered floating face down in the water and was brought to shore by her father.

Miss Trum gave mouth-to-mouth resuscitation to revive the little child and her quick action is credited with saving the girl's life.



After several years of planning and preparation contract has been let to a well-known Richmond firm to examine the structural condition of the roof preliminary to thorough restoration work on historic old Christ Church with the hope that the entire restoration can be completed within the next few years.

## Community Library Plans Two Summer Children's Events

The Community Library summer children's program will open on July 9 with two weekly events featured this year—one for pre-school children, including those about to enter first grade, and the other for grade school children.

For pre-school children, beginning July 9, the weekly story hour will be held every Thursday morning in the library from 10:30 to 11:15. The Junior Woman's Club will be responsible for the story hour, supplying story tellers and transportation when needed. Anyone who needs transportation may call Mrs. Wilbur Morgan, Jr., 435-1981, or Mrs. Meredith Robbins, 435-4318.

New this year is the summer reading club beginning July 10, for grade school children. It is hoped that through this program children will learn to enjoy reading. Under this plan children will register at the library and agree to read eight books during the summer. Children up to the fourth grade may read anything they wish, those entering fifth grade or higher will be asked to read four books of fiction and four other books. Two special librarians will be on duty Friday mornings from 10:30 to 12:30 to help children choose books and to discuss what they have read. Children may borrow and return books at any other time the library is open. Children are invited to register for the reading club before July 10 during regular library hours.

A record of each child's reading will be kept in the library. At the end of the reading club season, which will last six weeks, certificates will be awarded to those who have done the required reading and lists of the books they have read will be given to their school principals.

Although membership in the library is required to join the reading program, any family not already a member may join the library (family membership fee \$1.00) when registering.

Mrs. Ashby Wickham is in general charge of the entire children's summer program.

## Lancaster Reaches 45% Of Bond Quota

At the end of May Lancaster County had reached 45 per cent of its quota of \$180,000 for series E and H Savings Bonds. Investment in these bonds in the county amounted to \$8,581.17 in May and \$80,727.80 for the first five months of the year.

Northumberland County with sales of \$5,131.40 in May and \$49,790.33 for the first five months has reached 29 per cent of its goal of \$170,000.

Richmond County with sales of \$5,056.16 in May and \$20,491.73 for five months has reached 29 per cent of its goal of \$70,000.

Westmoreland County with sales of \$9,393.93 in May and \$20,168.20 for the first five months has reached 27 per cent of its quota of \$75,000.

## Humphreys Named To Advisory Group

H. R. Humphreys, Jr., president of Standard Products Co., Inc., has been reappointed to the American Fisheries Advisory Committee for the period July 1, 1964 through June 30, 1965.

In a letter reappointing Humphreys to the position which he has held for several years, Secretary of the Interior Udall wrote the following: "I wish to thank you for your willingness to serve as a member of the American Fisheries Advisory Committee for one additional year, and for the service you have already given as a member of this group. The deliberation and recommendations of the committee have been of great value to this department."

The purpose of the committee is to advise the Department of Interior on the management of the United States fisheries in all of the waters over which it has jurisdiction. This includes all types of fish and shellfish. The committee's last meeting was held in Honolulu and was primarily concerned with skipjack tuna in the Pacific Ocean.

## Barn And Contents Destroyed By Fire

The barn on the farm of Robert Kent of Avalon was struck by lightning Saturday night and the barn and its contents were completely destroyed by fire. Nothing was saved.

Among the contents of the barn were 1400 bales of hay, two tractors, three sets of plows, corn picker, grain drill, disc harrow, two sets of cultivators and a plant setter.

The edge of the wheat field adjoining the barn was also burned.

The home on the farm is now vacant. Lewis Swann, who lives nearby, noticed the fire and went to Kent's home to notify him.

Firemen from Callao and Glebe Point answered an alarm for the fire. The loss is partially covered by insurance.



Anne Somers (from left), Laura Lee Marsh and Nellie King, members of last year's junior class of Lancaster High School, left here at 4:00 a. m. Sunday to spend a week at Girls State at Radford College.

## Restoration Work Is Now Under Way At Christ Church

Old Christ Church in Lancaster County was the scene Sunday of Homecoming Service and luncheon followed by the annual meeting of the Foundation for Historic Christ Church. Present was the largest attendance in many years, members of the four churches in Christ Church Parish, former members and residents of the county, together with guests and friends from a number of states, including New York, Pennsylvania, Maryland and Florida.

Highlight of the meeting was the announcement by the president of the Foundation, Richard T. Herndon, that work of restoration—with evidences of the work on the exterior of the building—had now been started after several years of planning and preparation. Contracts for work have been made with the well-known Richmond firm of Taylor and Parrish to examine first the structural condition of the church roof, preliminary to further restoration work on the church building and grounds, with the hope that the entire restoration will be completed within the next few years.

Completed in 1732, the year George Washington was born, and abandoned for many years after the Revolution, the church has never undergone the usual "improvements" but remains as it came from the hands of its builders. Without heat or light, services have in recent years been held during summer months only. Since 1959 efforts have been made to restore the building as a year-round "living church" without in any way changing the integrity of its structure.

Guest speaker at the meeting was Professor Frederick D. Nichols of the School of Architecture of the University of Virginia. Author of a number of works on architecture and in charge of the Thomas Jefferson restorations at the University, Nichols is regarded nationally as an authority in the field of early American architecture. He has made all plans and conjectural drawings for the restoration, including the handsome brick wall, the foundations of which were unearthed by Dr. J. C. Harrington, archaeologist of the National Park Service, well known for his work in connection with the excavations at Jamestown.

Prof. Nichols recently returned from four-months stay in England under a Guggenheim Fellowship to study early American architecture and during his talk stated that Christ Church, while simple as to ornamentation and carvings, was easily on a par architecturally with the best English church architecture of the same period. As a heritage of our Colonial history it is unique and its preservation for posterity is imperative. As Mrs. Helen Duprey Bullock, head of the Department of Information of the National Trust for Historic Preservation, put it, "Christ Church is nationally significant and one of the greatest historic churches in America in pristine condition."

John H. Randolph of Richmond and Irvington reported on the financing efforts of his committee. He spoke of the difficulties attending the raising of funds in a rather isolated area but felt that what had been accomplished in the past months justified an optimistic outlook for the future.

## Burns Prove Fatal To Weems Woman

Eula Laws (Colored) of Weems died Thursday in a Richmond hospital as the result of burns received at her home on June 13.

She was in serious condition when taken to the Richmond hospital by the Kilmarnock Rescue Squad shortly after being burned. She received severe burns over her whole body with the exception of her legs when her clothing caught fire shortly after noon. She was said to have been smoking at the time.

She was a daughter of Charles and Lela Laws.

The nominations committee, headed by Wesley M. Oler of White Stone, presented a report and four new members were added to the board of directors: Ray Hoover of White Stone, C. Jackson Simmons of Irvington, Capt. (U.S.N. Ret.) Louis A. Reinkin of Weems and George Noblett of Kilmarnock.

The annual meeting of the Foundation came at a time when the National Trust for Historic Preservation is sponsoring in this country an intensified effort "to draw the nation-wide attention of American public opinion, the most powerful force in the land, to the acute need for militant action to safeguard the richness and diversity of America's architectural, historical and natural heritage."

The National Trust for Historic Preservation is working in close cooperation with the Department of the Interior and the National Park Service since it feels that this sponsorship falls within its responsibilities as the only non-profit, non-governmental educational organization chartered by the U. S. Congress to "encourage public participation in the preservation of sites, buildings and objects that are significant in American history and culture."

An International Campaign for Monuments opened in Paris on June 2, 1964. It is planned that the American Landmarks Celebration will open throughout the United States about July 4, with a view to implementing through agencies and individuals a dynamic, nation-wide program. It is hoped the celebration will awaken and renew an interest and pride in the greatness of our vast inheritance and the vital necessity of its preservation in this rapidly changing world.

## Bids For Courthouse Addition Asked By North'd Board

Bids for the construction of an addition to the courthouse at Heathsville will be opened by the Northumberland supervisors at a special meeting at 2 p. m. on Monday, July 20, at the courthouse.

The Northumberland County Board of Supervisors at the regular monthly meeting Monday reviewed final plans for the building program and authorized advertisement this week for invitations for contractors to bid on the construction.

Plans for the addition call for a single-story unit with basement which will provide additional room for the clerk's office and two other rooms.

The addition, approximately 38 feet square, of brick and concrete construction will be as completely fireproof as possible. The precast concrete nailable slabs on steel beams which form the roof rafters will be covered with slate.

The supervisors at the meeting approved the application of the village of Harryhogan for the installation of 11 street lights.

The reappointment of J. D. Conners as county dog warden was approved by the supervisors.

The supervisors ruled that members of county fire departments may use receivers in their private cars tuned to the frequency of the county emergency radio. The firemen, however, will not be permitted to install transmitters in their cars.

## Unoccupied Home Destroyed By Fire

An unoccupied home at White Stone was destroyed by fire Monday night. The two-story frame house had not been occupied since the death several years ago of its former owner, the late Mitchell Hall.

The White Stone firemen were called but could not reach the fire as the lane leading to the house had been abandoned and plowed along with the surrounding fields.

## Ivis L. Forrester Found Dead Under Overturned Tractor

Ivis Lee Forrester, 75, a farmer, of Lively was killed late Monday when the tractor which he was operating to plow land for his son turned upside down and crushed him.

Dr. A. B. Gravatt, Jr., medical examiner, who viewed the body said that death occurred almost instantly as the result of a badly crushed chest.

Mr. Forrester was plowing with his own tractor on land rented by his son, Grafton Forrester, when the accident occurred. He was on the last lap in the field when the tractor ran into a ravine and turned completely over. He was still holding onto the wheel under the tractor when found.

Mr. Forrester often worked late into the night and as Mrs. Forrester went to bed early he was not missed until she awakened about 2:00 a. m. She called her son, Roland, who lives in the home, and when he found his father had not come home he called his brother, Grafton Forrester, who, with another brother, Garland Forrester, went to look for their father. They found him about 2:30 a. m. pinned under the tractor. A wrecker had to be secured before the tractor could be moved. The field in which Mr. Forrester had been working was located more than half a mile from any home.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Cora Forrester; four daughters, Mrs. Catherine Brock of Richmond, Mrs. Elizabeth Cockrell of Miskimon, Mrs. Nancy Parks of Lively and Mrs. Margaret Ransone of Kilmarnock; five sons, Leonard, Robert, Roland, Grafton and Garland Forrester, all of Lively; one brother, Ryland Forrester of Lincoln, Neb.; two sisters, Mrs. Lolis Beane of Miskimon and Mrs. Walter Kilduff of Burgess; 14 grandchildren, and one great-grandchild.

Funeral services will be held at 2 o'clock this afternoon at Lebanon Baptist Church of which Mr. Forrester was a member and deacon followed by burial in the church cemetery. The Rev. B. V. Madison will be assisted by the Rev. Dave Draine in conducting the service.

The pallbearers will be Woody Jones, Harry Revere, Clarence Dunaway, Charlie Davenport, Elton Forrester, Leslie Kilduff, Alpha Haynie and Marvin Davenport.

## Remo Post Office To Close July 3

The post office at Remo will be closed on July 3, according to information from the Postoffice Department.

Mrs. Madge Marsh has been post master at Remo for the past several years.

After July 3 some of the Remo post office patrons will use Wicomico Church as their post office. Others will get their mail on the rural route from Heathsville.