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C. Ward Now In State Prison On Old Charge

Charged With Criminal Assault In This County Upon Young Wilmington Married Woman

OF DEFENDANTS IN INSURANCE FRAUD

Under Suspended Sentence And Prayer For Judgment Was Asked Following Conviction Of Drunken Driving

C. Ward, Wilmington white a former resident of Tabor in Columbus county, was sent to State Prison in Raleigh last week. He is now serving a sentence imposed on him by the Columbus Superior court last year. His offense at that time was a conspiracy with Flowers Ward to defraud insurance companies through the kidnapping of Willie Flowers.

C. Ward is understood to have been given a suspended sentence for his part in the Columbus county trouble. Sentencing in his case was suspended when he was placed on parole to do good behavior.

Ward was arrested in Wilmington and convicted of driving his car while drunk. It appeared that at the time of the offense he was on parole from the New Hanover County Prison. He was given his liberty last week Ward was charged with criminal assault on a young Wilmington married woman. The charge was committed in this county and he was promptly arrested and held for Superior Court without bond. He had been lodged in jail at Wilmington where he was ordered for breaking parole was brought to prison authorities promptly and taken down from Raleigh and placed in the county, charged with criminal assault upon the young Wilmington woman. It probably will not be heard until he finishes serving his 5 or 6 year sentence.

Brief News Flashes

TEACHES SIXTH GRADE
Mrs. Mary Bussells was elected to teach the sixth grade in the Southport school following the resignation of Mrs. Charlotte Bowler. Mrs. Bussells assumed her duties on Monday.

HAVE SUPPER
The Presbyterian Auxiliary will have a benefit supper on Friday night from 6 until 8 o'clock at the Community club, formerly the U. S. O. Baked ham will be served.

BACK IN U. S.
Pvt. Woodrow Formy Duval, who was recently wounded in action in France, has been returned to the United States and it is understood he will shortly be home to come home. He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Coy Formy Duval of Freeland. His wife is the daughter of Miss Eunice Holden, of Freeland. They have a young son which the father has not seen.

BRUNSWICK BOYS ENLIST
The 17-year-old Brunswick County boys enlisted in the Navy during the past week. They were George Francis Ganey, Jr., of Leland and Woodus Gayde Evans of Supply.

IN EARLY
Enlisting in the Navy right after he graduated from the Bolling high school and when he was sixteen years old, Grover S. M. Cox, son of Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Cox of Bolivia, is now an LCT ship in New Guinea. He graduated from school in 1943 and has been serving overseas.

PHILIPPINES
Ernest Parker, Jr., of Shallotte is now serving with the Coast Guard in the Philippine islands, according to word received by his parents last week. This is a case where both father and son are in the service. The father is a Marine and is in the Coast Guard at Charleston.

Kit Bags Are Being Made And Sent To Service Men

One Hundred Forty Four Navy Kit Bags Completed And Now On Way To Servicemen

RED CROSS VOLUNTEERS ACTIVE ON PROJECT

New Quota Of Same Size Just Received, For The Army This Time

Kit bags made by volunteers in Southport soon will be on their way overseas with servicemen leaving ports of embarkation, Mrs. C. Ed. Taylor, Production Chairman of the Brunswick County Red Cross Chapter said today. The first quota of 144 Navy bags has been completed and a quota of 144 Army ones has just been received.

"Eight cartons of the kit bags are now ready to be sent off. The one hundred and forty four bags have been completed by our workers during the last two months," said Mrs. Taylor. "Our volunteers are responding well. Mrs. G. D. Robinson and Mrs. Brady Lewis have been very active in cutting out the bags and distributing them. We are now embarking on the new quota which we hope will be finished in a short while."

The last quota was filled one night recently by a group of young ladies. Those who helped with the filling are Mrs. George Whatley, Mrs. Irene Nichols, Miss Susie Sellers, Miss Louise Rees, Miss Josephine Smith, Miss Marjorie Potter, Mrs. Wanda Golden, Mrs. Robinson and Mrs. Taylor. Standard contents of the bags are cigarettes, shoe cloths, stationery, razor blades, pocket books of fiction, pencils, soap boxes, shoe laces, "House Wife" (sewing kit), hard candy, and a first aid book.

Those who made the kit bags were Mrs. Lanier Furlpless, Mrs. Mabel Marran, Mrs. M. M. Hood, Mrs. G. D. Robinson, Mrs. John Cason, Mrs. R. C. Daniel, Mrs. Walter Aldridge, Mrs. Harry Doshier, Mrs. A. L. Brown, Mrs. Clifton Arnold, and Mrs. H. B. Smith.

"Although our local quota is (Continued on page 2)

Need For Foster Homes Is Shown

Mrs. Maude Phelps Indicates That Homes are Needed For Children Now

By MRS. MAUDE PHELPS, Superintendent of Public Welfare in Brunswick County
"There are today in the county, children in need of a home outside of their natural home, children who have a right to a normal life. The Brunswick County Social Agency has the opportunity of knowing the conditions. "Certain standards set up by the State Board of Welfare must be met in order to qualify for a foster boarding home. After an investigation of the home by the County Welfare Department, it must be approved by the State Board. The amount paid for board varies, according to the child's age, and the payments may be made by relatives or by the placement agency. "A foster boarding home is not a rooming or boarding house, but a home in which there are both the father and mother is preferable, the parents of the home must be of suitable age and temperament to care for children. Each member of the family must be in good mental and physical health, and the total number of children in the foster home, including the (Continued on page 4)

Padgetts Lose Infant Daughter

Funeral Services Scheduled For Wednesday Afternoon

Funeral services for Linda Dianna Padgett, four months old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Padgett of Winnabow, were to be held this afternoon (Wednesday) at the Town Creek Baptist church with Rev. T. F. Johnson conducting the service. Interment was to be at Piney Grove cemetery. The infant child died on Tuesday morning at the Doshier Memorial Hospital after a short illness. She is survived, in addition to her parents, by a brother, D. W., Jr., and a sister, Mrs. J. R. Phelps, Johnnie Mills, Jr., Lewis Burris, and Carl Dawkins.

Union Services For World Day Prayer

The churches of Southport will observe the World Day of Prayer on Friday with two services at which prayers will be offered for the improvement of present world conditions. The first service will be held at the Baptist church at 3:30 o'clock Friday afternoon and the second will be at Trinity Methodist church at 7:30 that night. Although the World Day of Prayer will be observed in other places by a continuous service throughout the day, Southport observance is confined to the two hours. However, all the churches will be open the entire day for any who wish to go individually for prayer.

Observance Of 35th Scout Week

Local Scouts Decorate Windows At Tax And Ration Offices

Observance of the 35th annual Scout Week in Southport took the form of renewed activity in scout work and the decorating of four windows in the downtown section for the purpose of making the public aware of scouts and their anniversary.

The windows decorated were the two at the county tax office and the two at the office of the local ration board. Each was very attractive and showed a great deal of work. All four windows showed scout equipment in a woodland setting.

Both windows at the tax office were arranged by the Boy Scouts, the "Owl Patrol" responsible for the one on the left, and the "Flying Eagle aPatrol" for the one on the right.

The left window at the ration board was arranged by the "Wolf Patrol," and the righthand window was arranged by the Cub Scouts. All windows were lighted at night and presented a very interesting display.

E. M. McEachern is scoutmaster and has Lou Newton as his assistant. John Newton has been elected scout reporter and will be responsible for news items about the troop. Rev. Cecil Allgood is scoutmaster for the Cubs.

Work Begun On Crop Insurance

AAA Office Starts Work On Federal Crop Insurance Program For Crops Grown In Brunswick In 1945

Preliminary work on data to be used in connection with the 1945 Federal Cotton Crop Insurance Program has begun in the Brunswick County AAA Office, according to a statement made here today.

Congress has provided funds to continue the crop insurance program covering certain crops and the Federal Crop Insurance Corporation is now setting up a new organization in conformity with the changes made by Congress.

In Brunswick County and other counties throughout North Carolina, insurance will be offered in 1945 for cotton planted for harvest in 1945 and wheat seeded this fall for harvest in 1946. (Continued on page 4)

Norris S. Ganey Dies At Leland

Well Known Brunswick County Resident Died At His Home At Leland Sunday Night

Norris S. Ganey, well known 46-year-old resident of the Leland community, died at his home Sunday night and burial was held yesterday afternoon at three o'clock in the family cemetery near the home. Rev. Frank Potter was in charge of the services. Honorary pallbearers were Dillard Skipper, John Sellers, Fletcher Williams, William Mintz and Rockfeller Benton. Active pallbearers were Bruce Williams, (Continued on page four)

Is In Italy



Warrant Officer George Egan Hubbard, son of Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Hubbard, has been overseas for 13 months serving with the 337th Infantry, a part of the 85th (Custer) Division. He has seen much action and has been awarded the Infantry Combat Medal. His wife, the former Miss Mary Alice Lewis, and two children live in Norfolk, Va.

Polio Total Is Still Incomplete

Reports Not In From Good Portion Of County And Final Report Cannot Be Made

The final report of the Infantile Paralysis Drive still cannot be given as workers out in the county are slow in making their reports to W. R. Lingle, county chairman for the drive. Last week

A late report shows that the total has been raised to \$1,752.04 by the addition of \$3.14 from the Shallotte School, \$14.73 from the Shallotte Community and \$14.50 from Mr. Ken Benson. The Shallotte school has previously reported \$297.00 raised. Mr. Benson gave the entire proceeds of one night's performance of his show at Shallotte. Unfortunately it rained that night, but as Mr. Lingle said, "If he'd taken in much more than that he would have given it all to the polio drive."

A total of \$1,574.21 was given, the major portion of which was raised in Waccamaw township and Southport.

This week only two additions can be made to the above total. The Friendship Council of the Daughters of America gave \$10.00 and \$132.93 was sent in by the Bolivia school. This makes a total of \$1,717.14, which is approximately \$1,200.00 in excess of the quota.

Mr. Lingle asked that his thanks be extended to the various workers. In last week's paper the name of Miss Edna Dozier was inadvertently omitted. She worked in Southport and raised a good portion of the \$196.00 reported by Mrs. E. J. Prevatte. (Continued on Page 2)

Our ROVING Reporter



One of the best post-duck hunting season stories that has come our way was told last week by Neil Thomas of the Clarendon Plantation. On the last day of the duck hunting season Mr. Thomas got a shot into a flock of black ducks and brought down eight of the birds and two crows. The crows had been feeding with the ducks and took wing with them. In the vicinity of the plantation, which was purchased by Mr. Thomas last summer, the duck hunting is said to be about the best of any point on the Brunswick coast.

At one time we thought that W. T. Fullwood of Southport had the smallest grocery store in Brunswick. A few years ago he had just room enough to walk between his shelves and the room wasn't long enough to turn around in. He carried a very large stock for the space he had. He has more space now and the distinction of having the smallest store at the

Local Couple Charged With Poisoning Dogs

Mr. and Mrs. Wiley Wells Charged With Putting Out Poison That Resulted In Death Of Three Valuable Dogs

TRIAL NEXT MONDAY IN RECORDERS COURT

Three Fine Dogs Fell Victims To Poison Here Saturday Night

Three fine dogs, a Doberman pinscher, "Mike," belonging to Dr. and Mrs. L. C. Fergus, a fine setter, "Pat," the property of Skippy Stiller, and a German police dog owned by W. B. Wade, were found dead on the streets of Southport Sunday morning. It was evident that they were the victims of poisoning, along with several cats which were also found.

One or two of the dead animals were found in the yard of Mr. and Mrs. Wiley Wells. Investigation revealed that Mr. Wells had purchased strychnine from a local drug store. Questioned about the matter, Mrs. Wells is said to have claimed that she put out three pieces of poisoned meat and that she watched cats eat it all. It is understood that Mr. and Mrs. Wells both claimed that they could not have poisoned the dogs, that the cats ate all the poison they put out.

Warrants were issued and served on both Mr. and Mrs. Wells. They are scheduled to be tried by Judge Ward in Recorder's Court here Monday, Feb. 21.

From time to time Southport dog owners have been the victims of some one who poisoned their pets and hunting dogs. This is the first instance, however, when enough evidence has been found to justify arrest and prosecution. Dog owners are very indignant about the matter and the trial is expected to be one of considerable interest.

Minor Cases Are Handled Monday

Fir First Time In Many Weeks \$10.00 And Costs Was Maximum Punishment For Offenders In Court Here

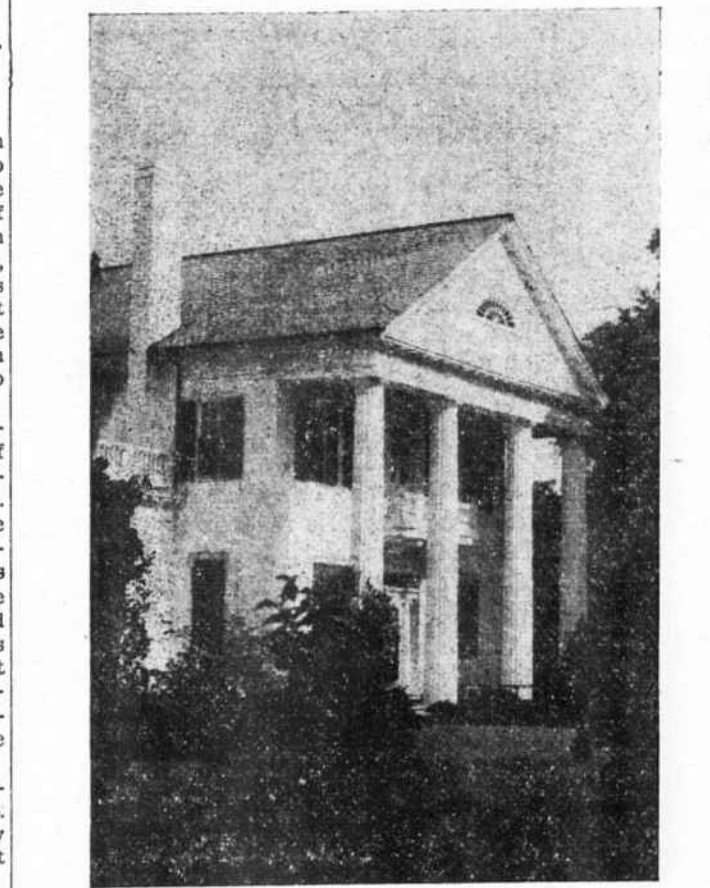
In reporting last week's court proceedings a warrant issued two years ago and served by Deputy Sheriff H. L. Willetts was inadvertently picked up. This resulted in deputy Willetts being credited with the arrest of Charley Hattem last week. The arrest of Hattem, on a capias last week, was made by State Highway Patrolman R. E. Sherrill and Rural Policeman O. W. Perry. He is scheduled to be tried next Monday.

This week's session of court was taken up with minor matters in which small fines were imposed. The Minutes show the following cases handled:

Franklyn A. Kallpelz, passing school bus, not guilty. (Continued on Page 4)

Historic Plantations Add To River Road's Scenic Beauty; Now Attract Spring Visitors

ORTON MANSION



Beautiful and historic Orton Mansion, one of the attractive places along the River Road, now beginning to attract annual visitors. Camellias at Orton are now in bloom and the azalea season will begin in a few weeks.

County Farmers Buying Many Day Old Chicks

Wants A Horse So He Can Ride

The gas shortage had nothing to do with a decision that Mr. Bill Bowling, 80-year-old citizen of Bolivia, made last week. He just got to feeling lost without a saddle under him, and what good was a saddle without a horse? He decided to buy both saddle and horse and get more exercise than he now gets from farming, hauling lumber and kindred chores. Accordingly, the 80-year young fellow was looking for a horse, and a good one at that. Buying a plug never entered his mind. The last that the representative of this paper heard of the Bolivia horse and mule dealers were promising Mr. Bowling that they'd get him just the sort of a horse he wanted.

1,200 Day Old Chicks Arriving At Dodson Poultry Yard This Week To Maintain Flock; Non-Layers Culled

OTHER POULTRYMEN ALSO GETTING CHICKS

Good Brooder Houses Make It Possible To Have Pullets That Will Be Layers For Next Winter

With their hens now laying 75 dozen eggs daily, Mrs. J. E. Dodson, of Ash, and her son, Phillip Dodson, who are in partnership in the poultry business, culled 150 hens from their flock last week. This was done without lowering the daily egg production.

With feed as high as it now is it is unprofitable for any poultry raiser to keep and feed non-layers. The Dodsons keep a close watch on their large flock and know approximately which hens lay and which are free boarders. The boarders do not remain long after it is discovered that they do not pay board.

The Dodsons are due to receive 1,200 day-old baby chicks today, Wednesday. These chicks have a guarantee that not over 5% will be males. Weeding out the males and also a few pullets that will not be showing promise of becoming layers, in the late summer, these poultry raisers expect to have around 1,000 laying hens next winter from today's arrival of baby chicks.

Instead of oil stove or furnace to provide heat, their 1,200 chick capacity brooder house, the Dodsons have installed a hot water (Continued on Page Four)

Warns Against Pleasure Driving

Office Of Defense Transportation Finds That Many Truck Owners Make Unauthorized Use Of Gasoline

The Office of Defense Transportation has made a very careful survey regarding the critical shortage of trucks and gasoline C. O. Bennett, Chairman of the Brunswick County AAA Committee, announced here today.

This survey revealed that "unless all unnecessary travel trucks is eliminated there will not be sufficient gasoline to take care of the critical needs," he declared.

Mr. Bennett pointed out that, "in many instances, gasoline has been issued for farm trucks, based on the fact that the applicants received consideration for such allocations of gasoline by indicating that they were taking care of the essential hauling in the community, or of the transportation of certain farmers. Investigations revealed that at least a half dozen truck owners had been issued gasoline for the same purpose and in many instances, farmers were taking care of their own transportation."

The AAA leader cited cases where gasoline had been issued to applicants for pick-up trucks to carry on farming operations and (Continued on page four)

Clarence Cumbee Funeral Yesterday

Fifty-Five Year Old Resident Of Supply Community Buried In Cemetery At Oak Grove Tuesday Afternoon

Clarence J. Cumbee, 55-year-old resident of Brunswick county, died at his home near Supply Monday morning.

Funeral services were held yesterday afternoon at two o'clock at the graveside in the cemetery at Oak Grove church, near Supply, with the Rev. Tom Johnson officiating.

Mr. Cumbee is survived by his wife, Mrs. Retha Cumbee; six daughters, Mrs. Ruby Clemmons and Mrs. Ida Roach, of Supply, Miss Annie Hare of Linden, Miss (Continued on Page Four)

Camellias At Orton Now Presenting Many Beautiful Blossoms That Are Attracting First of Spring Visitors

OTHER PLANTATIONS ALSO ADD MUCH TO RIVER ROADS CHARMS

Pleasant Oaks Plantation Of F. B. Adams Of New York, A No. 1 Brunswick Farm, Clarendon Also Attractive

Orton Plantation Gardens drew many visitors Sunday and week days are also bringing an increasing number of people who are attracted by the unusual beauty of the camellias now blooming. Cold weather during the past two months held back the buds and resulted in thousands of the beautiful flowers, now fully open and without spot or blemish.

The height of the camellia blooming will not be reached until late in March. Thousands of bushes are now in full bloom however and the great variety of plants insures a continuance of new blooms until the peak is reached.

The azaleas will start their blooming late in March. Early April, if nothing happens to prevent, will see the Gardens presenting its spectacle of riotous color.

Manager Jim Ferger of the Plantation and Gardens stated Monday that the shipment of camellias, azaleas and other plants from the nursery is unusually heavy this year, despite war conditions. Orders have been coming in from practically all states in the Union. It is not unusual for orders for plants to be received from foreign countries.

The rest of this month and March and April should see thousands of visitors, despite travel restrictions, visiting beautiful Orton. The River Road, which passes through Orton, is often said to be the most beautiful naturally scenic road in Eastern North Carolina. In addition to Orton the River Road passes near or through two other beautiful plantations that have charms all their own, although they are little known to the public.

One of these plantations is the Pleasant Oak Plantation, owned by F. B. Adams of New York. This place is managed by J. J. Ramsauer and his son, Joe Ramsauer, Jr. Officials of the North Carolina Department of Conservation and Development stated last year that the Pleasant Oak Plantation was easily the Number 1 for beauty and real stock raising, in Brunswick county. Mr. Adams, who spends much of his time in New York, is justly proud of his place, as he has reason to be.

Clarendon, another wonderful Brunswick county plantation on the River Road, is now owned by Neil Thomas, Brunswick man who purchased it several months (Continued on page 4)

Ration Pointers

- PROCESSED FOODS**
- BLUE STAMPS**
- X-5, Y-5, Z-5 A-2, B-2 . . . now valid . . . expire March 31.
- C-2, D-2, E-2, F-2, G-2 . . . now valid . . . expire April 28.
- H-2, J-2, K-2, L-2, M-2 . . . now valid . . . expire June 2.
- MEATS AND FATS**
- RED STAMPS**
- Q-5, R-5, S-5 . . . now valid . . . expire March 31.
- T-5, U-5, V-5, W-5, X-5 . . . now valid . . . expire April 28.
- Y-5, Z-5, A-2, B-2, C-2, D-2 . . . now valid . . . expire June 2.
- SUGAR**
- Sugar Stamp No. 34 . . . good for five pounds . . . expires Feb. 28.
- Sugar Stamp No. 35 . . . good for five pounds . . . expires June 2.
- SHOES**
- Airplane Stamps No. 1, No. 2 and No. 3 now good.
- FUEL OIL**
- Period 4 and 5 coupons from last season, Periods 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 from this season . . . all valid for 10 gallons each.
- GASOLINE**
- A-14 coupons valid through March 21.