

Two Teen-Agers Face Hearing On Forgery Charges

Worthy Hector Moore, 19, and Albert Floyd Sheffield, 17, both of near Robbins, face a hearing on forgery charges in Moore County recorders court, perhaps when the court convenes on Tuesday of next week.

A chain of events that led to apprehension of the two boys began with the alertness of Constable Oscar Bailey at West End who was in the post office there Wednesday of last week when he heard a car start up with rapidly turning wheels. Thinking it might be a local driver who was preparing for speeding or reckless driving in town, the constable went to the door in time to see the back of a dark blue Ford with an unusual chrome "V" decoration on the rear, taking off up the road.

Shortly thereafter W. A. Johnson, Jr., of the West End Hardware Co., reported that a young man had tried to cash a check for \$58, drawn on the Bank of Biscoe at Robbins, in the store and had left in a hurry when he, Johnson, started to call the bank to inquire about the check. Inquiry proved the check a forgery.

Bailey recognized the names on the check and noted that one was that of a man who had been dead about two years. The constable and John K. Sharpe, Moore ABC officer, then began a systematic search of upper Moore County and located the Ford with the peculiar marking in Robbins the next day. Moore, the driver, was taken to West End where Johnson and a store clerk identified him as the youth who had attempted to pass the \$58 check the previous day.

Moore was brought to Carthage and was jailed on a forgery charge.

Meanwhile, Sheriff C. J. McDonald had communicated with Sheriff Elwood Long of Montgomery County because of one of the names on the check and the fact that it was drawn on the Bank of Biscoe. Sheriff Long, already dealing with several forgery complaints, brought some of the Montgomery county people who had been given bank checks to Carthage with him to look at Moore. They did not recognize him but did identify Sheffield who was in the courthouse as a bystander and friend of Moore who had come there with Moore's father to see about getting Moore out on bond.

Both youths were then taken back to Troy by Sheriff Long and were given a hearing Tuesday. No probable cause was found against Moore in Montgomery County and he was turned over to the Moore sheriff's department. He made \$500 bond for appearance at recorders court Tuesday.

Probable cause was found in the case of Sheffield at Troy and it is not known when he will be turned over to Moore County, but it was hoped he could be in Carthage for a hearing Tuesday. The boys are friends and apparently worked together on some of their alleged check operations, officers said. Other complaints than the one from West End have been made to the sheriff's department involving one or both of the boys.

Blue Knights In County Playoff With 7-1 Record

A 4-3 victory over Aberdeen's Red Devils Wednesday at Aberdeen made the Southern Pines Blue Knights the winner in the Southern Moore County group of high school baseball teams and puts the local boys in a playoff with the northern group champs Tuesday of next week.

Winner in the northern group had not yet been determined Thursday. The winner of the Moore county north-south game will play the Montgomery County representative Friday, April 23.

Wednesday's win from Aberdeen was the seventh victory against one defeat for the Blue Knights this season. David Page, local hurler who is undefeated for the season and who put on a brilliant performance in striking out 17 batters and allowing only one hit in a 2-0 win from Pinehurst last Friday, was the winning pitcher Wednesday. He struck out nine, allowing three hits.

J. D. Cribb of Aberdeen fanned five and allowed six hits. Both teams were charged with two errors. The Aberdeen game went into an extra inning. Donald Van Benschoten drove in the winning run in the eighth.

The local boys were to play a non-conference contest with Red Springs Thursday.

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DAN BOYD, 30-year-old artist who spent much of his childhood here, is pictured at San Francisco, Calif., with a piece of abstract sculpture he carved from cedar driftwood. He is the son of Mrs. James Boyd of Southern Pines. The current exhibition of his work at the Library Art Gallery will run through April 24.

Dan Boyd's Work Reveals Artist's Deep Convictions

The exhibition of Dan Boyd's painting and sculpture in the Southern Pines Library Art Gallery during the Easter season is appropriate, because this artist's interest is in the realm of spiritual concepts. Of the paintings sent by the artist from San Francisco, including both early work in the representational style and recent abstractions, the main exhibit is of the abstractions, conveying the mature viewpoint of the artist. His style is developed from a technique of overpainting, of light areas built upon a dark background. At least, this is the technical process that Boyd has used to express freely his deeply felt convictions on the topics he has selected to paint.

In his "Descent from the Cross," there will be found no human figure to distract from the realization of the infinitely important event that has taken place. Line, motion, color and sudden outbursts of light convey the hope and love, the tenderness and steadfastness of the enfolded thought found in that situation.

So in the painting of the crucifixion, entitled "Were You There?", the green and black color harmony in its rich darkness conveys the mood of that which would try to kill the Christ; while the flashes of light, the swiftness and life of the strokes, prove this an impossibility.

Again in "Flight into Egypt," Boyd has employed a black and

tan overpainting of red earth color, the light designs moving in a white and pale blue. The interplay of these forms speak clearly of the swift protection given to the child in his escape from harm.

The heavy technique is rejected for a thin, almost stain-quality, in an oil, "Reflection," creating the motion and feeling of the water. A moving black line holds the attention against a shimmering background of blue and orange. Another deviation from the deeper themes is "Anti Modular Construction" where deliberate use is made of only the straight line, eliminating color for black and white.

The single piece of sculpture in the show is carved from "old burnt pine" and incorporates the rhythm and form of Boyd's other work. Planes constructed to hold and reflect the light, give the feeling of motion to this static material.

Of interest are three sketches shown, one in watercolor, two in black and white, from which the larger oils are developed. Boyd has made a swift transition from the realistic perception of 1947 (shown in three works on view in the adjoining North Carolina Room) to the freedom and expression of his recent abstract canvases. He has attained a richness of color from a limited palette, a sense of form without resorting to drawing. A vital force, a zest for spiritual values, is painted. The artist does not tell a story but paints an idea.

PINEBLUFF NEWS

Baptist Circles Meet

The Carmen Adams Circle of Ives Memorial Baptist Church met Monday evening with Mrs. Hazel Allison. Mrs. Johnny Carpenter was in charge of the program: "Carver School Of Missions and Social Work." Following the meeting the hostess served refreshments to the seven members and one visitor present. There were two new members.

Mrs. Herbert VanBoskerck was hostess to the Margaret Holder Circle at her home Monday evening. Seven members answered roll call and two visitors were present. The program on "Carver School of Missions and Social Work" was presented by Mrs. Ethel Edwards. A solo, "The Old Rugged Cross," by Miss Hazel Brooks was enjoyed. The hostess served refreshments.

Mrs. Lester Cautin and daughter, Miss Helene Cautin, of Lake Placid, N. Y., are spending some time with Mrs. Cautin's daughter, Mrs. Walter Alpert, and Mr. Alpert.

Mrs. Sydney B. Edwards and son Gregory of Fort Bragg spent several days last week with Mrs. Edwards' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Theo Berg.

Mrs. J. D. Adcox and Mr. and Mrs. A. White of Wagram spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Adams, Sr., and Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Adcox.

Mrs. M. F. Butner has returned home after spending the winter in Sileam with her mother, Mrs. S. J. Atkinson.

Mrs. Albert Neiderer of Delawanna, N. J., is visiting her sister, Mrs. E. J. Austin, and Mr. Austin.

Miss Betty Jordan of Siler City was a weekend guest of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Troutman.

Mrs. Lonnie Gray and Mr. and Mrs. Mac Pierce spent the weekend with Mrs. Gray's daughters and sons-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Carpenter and Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Woodcock.

Mrs. L. L. Foushee and son Gerald of Durham were weekend guests of Mrs. Foushee's sister,

Mrs. R. G. McCaskill, and Mr. McCaskill. Mrs. Foushee attended the Homecoming at Aberdeen High School Sunday afternoon. Mrs. John Ussery of Fayetteville was up for the Homecoming.

Mrs. Ronald Bleau and Miss Jane Land, students at State College, spent the weekend with Mrs. Bleau's parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Adcox.

Mrs. Walter Zion of Cleveland, N. Y., was a weekend guest of Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Pickler. Mrs. Zion was en route to her home after spending the winter in Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. W. K. Carpenter, Sr., spent Friday at Duke Hospital where Mrs. Carpenter went for a check-up.

Miss Ruth Troutman, student at Greensboro College, and Howard Troutman of State College were at home for the weekend with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Troutman. Miss Troutman took part on the program at the Homecoming at Aberdeen High School.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles McMaster and daughter, Betty Ann, spent Sunday in Laurinburg with Mr. and Mrs. Teb Stewart.

Mrs. V. F. Tarlton spent Friday in Sanford with her daughter, Mrs. E. A. Helms, and Mr. Helms. Mrs. Wade-Johnson and daughters, Barbara and Virginia, of Ocala, Fla., Mrs. Lottie Sedberry of Rockingham, and Mrs. Storey and Mrs. Mary Phillips of Hamlet visited Mr. and Mrs. William E. Dieterle Sunday afternoon.

POPULAR SLOGAN

North Carolina's slogan, "Variety Vacationland," adopted in 1937 and used continually on North Carolina travel literature and in advertising since, is enjoying wide popularity. Kentucky is using it in the 1954 travel edition of its state magazine; Ontario is using it in its 1954 travel booklet, and New Jersey used a variation of "Variety Vacation" as the keynote of its 1953 travel literature. The expression was coined to describe North Carolina's multiple attractions—mountains, coast and Mid-South winter resorts.

Thieves Abandon Car Here, Steal Another, Move On

Car thieves who apparently stole their way across three states last week, using at least five cars in the process, left in a car abandoned here last Tuesday night a zippered black-leather notebook which may become evidence against them.

The case is under investigation by the FBI, according to Chief C. E. Newton.

The notebook was left in a Mercury sedan, with a Henderson city tag, local police found abandoned just off the Midland Road. The car was found to have been stolen from a Mr. Buchanan of Henderson, who came that same night to get it, but disclaimed the notebook.

At the same time, a 1954 Lincoln Capri belonging to Dr. Ben P. Houser of Tamaqua, Pa., was reported to have been stolen here. Dr. Houser and a friend, here on a golfing vacation, were guests at Highland Lodge. The Lincoln was located the next day, out of gas and ditched, with minor damage, 32 miles below Lexington, S. C., where another car was stolen. A later report was that the Lexington car was abandoned, and another car stolen, at Aiken.

The black notebook yielded no name, but contained advertising literature of the Addressograph Company, with a Raleigh address. Chief Newton wrote this information to R. E. Goodwin, Raleigh chief of detectives, and on Wednesday received a reply.

The notebook belonged to W. H. Singleton III, a Raleigh salesman, and had been in his car which was stolen, and later recovered, in Raleigh April 5, Goodwin wrote. Some laundry and ladies' and men's clothing had been in the car when it was found. The men's clothing had, however, since been recovered by Sheriff J. B. Stanley of Jefferson county, Louisville, Ga., "resulting from the arrest of Paul Nelson, alias Russell Wilson Hardesty, and John Wright, alias Ronald Pettie, who were arrested driving a car stolen in Aiken, and have been returned for trial there."

Where the men are from, and where they were heading in such a hurry, remain a mystery. Golf clubs, cameras and clothing in Dr. Houser's car were found intact, though a flashlight and other minor articles were missing from the glove compartment, said Chief Newton, who went with the Pennsylvania to South Carolina to reclaim his car, valued at \$5,200.

Chinchillas To Be Shown Here

At a recent meeting of the Moore-Montgomery Chinchilla Club held with Harlie Canup in Troy, plans were made for a Chinchilla Show to be held at the Southern Pines Country Club on Wednesday, May 5, from 3 to 7 p. m. R. D. McLeod, president of Biscoe, presided over the meeting.

Ten ranchers are expected to exhibit and in addition to seeing chinchilla pelts, spectators will see live original South American chinchillas—"bearers of the world's most precious fur."

There will be no admission charge and the public is invited to attend.

A special showing for the Sandhills Kiwanis Club will be held before the show is opened to the public.

Repose Runs 2nd In Race At Tryon

Repose, owned by Mrs. M. G. Walsh of Southern Pines and trained by her husband, "Mickey" Walsh, pushed the winning Ginny Bug in the Block House Steeplechase Saturday to take second money in the eighth running of the event at the Tryon course.

The Sandhills horse, Camden the Carolina Cup at Camden the previous Saturday, trailed the field for the first lap of the Tryon race, but pushed past other entries to almost catch up with Ginny Bug at the final jump in the four-lap contest. Dave Thomas, who rode Repose to the Camden victory, was in the saddle again Saturday at Tryon.

Another local horse to place in the events at Tryon was Vernon G. Cardy's Friar's Maid, coming in third in the North Carolina Hunt Cup, another race on the program.

BAND CONCERT

The annual Spring concert by the Southern Pines High School band will be given Friday night, April 30, at 8:15 p. m. in Weaver Auditorium, announces Lynn Ledden, band director. Details of the event will be given next week.

Cumberland County, 1754-1954

Cape Fear Valley Festival To Open

Fayetteville Events Begin Monday To Run Through Next Week

The event in honor of which Fayetteville men have been growing beards in recent weeks will begin Monday, April 19—the Cape Fear Valley Festival, marking Cumberland County's bi-centennial, 1754-1954.

The celebration week will run April 19 through 25, with John A. Oates, noted historian of Fayetteville as general chairman.

A highlight of the observance will be presentation of the spectacle, "The River of Courage," each night at 8:15, April 19 through 24, on a 300-foot stage in the Fayetteville High School Bowl with a cast of some 750 Cumberland County people. Each performance will be followed by a fireworks display. There will be an admission charge.

The spectacle depicts the history of Cumberland County from its early Indian days in 22 dramatic episodes, including the coming of the Highland Scots to the Cape Fear Valley, the great fire of 1831, the War Between the States and up through World War II with troops from Fort Bragg performing in an actual combat setting.

Scottish Theme

Of special interest in this area settled by the Scots who came up the Cape Fear Valley will be the Festival events of Friday, April 23, which has been designated "Gathering of the Clans Day," with Dr. J. H. McLeod of Fayetteville as chairman.

Registration of Clans and individual meetings of all the clans will be held in the morning. At 2 p. m., there will be a parade featuring the Girl Piper Band from The Gaelic College of Celtic Folk Arts and Highland Home Crafts, St. Ann's, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia. Also in the parade will be a special Flora Macdonald float from Flora Macdonald College, Red Springs, and the Fayetteville High School Band in full Scottish regalia.

After the parade there will be Scottish street dancing near the Market House in downtown Fayetteville and at 4 p. m. dedication of a historical marker to be placed by the State on Highway 87, just below Rockfish Bridge, where Gen. James Moore planned the Revolutionary Battle of Moore's Creek.

The Scottish theme will also appear in the opening day's program Monday, April 19, designated as "Youth Day," when the Fayetteville High School Scottish Dancers will perform at 7:30 p. m. in the High School Bowl prior to the opening performance of "The River of Courage."

Opening with "Youth Day" Monday, the Festival will run through the week with a special designation for each day—Tuesday will be "Grand Parade Day" featuring the largest parade of the week at 4 p. m., when the girl pipers from Nova Scotia will also appear.

A Moore County float, as reported in a front page story in today's Pilot, will be in the parade Tuesday.

Wednesday will be "Merchants and Manufacturers Day." Final judging of the bi-centennial beards grown by Cumberland County men will take place that evening at 7:30 in the High School Bowl.

Thursday has been designated "Armed Forces Salute Day," with displays of Army and Air Force equipment and a military parade. After "Gathering of the Clans Day" on Friday comes "Good Neighbors Day" Saturday, with a variety of human interest and comic contests to begin at 2 p. m. at the High School Bowl.

"Religious Commemoration Day" on Sunday, April 25 will conclude the bi-centennial celebration. Several pastors will speak during a program to begin in the High School Bowl at 3 p. m. Guest speaker will be Dr. Edward D. Grant, LLD, director of the Department of Institutions for the State of Louisiana. Born in Scotland, Dr. Grant is a graduate of Austin College, Sherman, Texas. He will speak on "The Contribution of the Scotch People to the Development of the Community."

TALENT HUNT

There is still time to enter the Arthur Smith TV Talent Hunt to be held in the Vass-Lakeview School auditorium next Friday night, April 23, at which time 10 top local groups are to appear on the stage, in addition to a one-hour show by The Crackerjacks. The show is being sponsored by the Vass Volunteer Fire Department.

Tragic Story In Figures

1,118 Traffic Deaths In '53

The Motor Vehicles Department has issued a final summary of 1953 traffic deaths. It listed 1,118 fatalities and 15,171 injuries.

Leading the fatality toll was Mecklenburg County with 51 deaths including six Charlotte pedestrians. Guilford's record was slightly better with 46 and Robeson was in third place with 44.

Running off the road accounted for the greatest number of dead for the department noted. In the 8,033 cases of running off the road reported, 350 persons died.

There were 244 pedestrians deaths during the year, including 32 children under five.

Speeding, driving on the wrong side of the road, and drinking were the principle driver violations listed in the fatal accident column. Excessive speed was involved in 381 fatal mishaps; driving on the wrong side of the road in 93; and drinking in 66 cases.

Saturday continued to be the most hazardous day for travel with 261 deaths occurring on Saturdays throughout the year.

The report listed a total of 45,

777 motor accidents for the year. The year end report was prepared by the Highway Safety Division's Statistical Section under the direction of James E. Civils.

Aberdeen Legion Is Sponsoring Dance

The Aberdeen American Legion Post is sponsoring a dance from 8 to 11:30 tonight at the Community House there for the soldiers at Camp Mackall. Music will be by an Air Force Band and the dance will be well chaperoned, with a courtesy patrol of MP's on hand. All young ladies of the Sandhills are invited to attend this event tonight (Friday).

VISITING IN PINEHURST

Miss Nancy Campbell of Asheville and Miss Frances Campbell of Winston-Salem are spending the weekend with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Campbell, in Pinehurst.

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