

ABERDEEN NEWS

By DOROTHY McNeill
Engagement Announced
 Mr. and Mrs. Robert Farrell announce the engagement of their daughter, Betsy Graham, to Norman Rockwell Ingram, son of Mrs. T. N. Ingram and the late Mr. Ingram of Dunn. The wedding will take place on August 26 at 4 o'clock in the Page Memorial Methodist Church.

Brief Mention
 Mr. and Mrs. Paul Jordan of Wilmington spent several days last week with Mr. and Mrs. Frank McNeill and son Frank. Mrs. Vance Hardison and son of Arapahoe are visiting Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Lawhon this week. Mrs. Lewis Merrill and daughter Marsha left Tuesday for Salisbury to stay several days. Mr. and Mrs. T. S. Melvin and daughter, Miss June Melvin, and Mr. and Mrs. Klay Box returned Sunday after an extended trip to Florida. Dr. and Mrs. Leslie Bullock and daughter Pat of Red Springs were Thursday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank McNeill. Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Cruce and sons are vacationing at Tilghman Beach this week.

The Rev. and Mrs. Jack Ewart spent Thursday in Charlotte. Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Smith, Jr., and family of Colonial Heights, Va., were weekend guests of Mrs. Clarence Smith. Mrs. H. A. Page, Jr., will arrive Saturday from Gunnison, Colo., where she has been for some time. Miss June Greer left Thursday for Michigan, where she will visit her sister and brother-in-law and their family. Mrs. Cliff Johnson returned Friday from New York City. Graham Farrell is spending several days with his sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Holden, in Clinton, S. C. Dr. and Mrs. E. M. Medlin left Wednesday to spend a few days with Mrs. Medlin's mother in Davis. Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Robbins and family are spending several days in Washington, D. C. Jim Donnahoe of San Pablo Calif., is visiting his cousin, Jerry Troutman, for several days. Mrs. Maude Thompson, Miss Bess Gunter and Mrs. Grace Brasington spent Sunday with Grover Gunter at Swannanoa.

Peach Tree Hassle Results In Jail Sentences For Pair In Court Monday

It took almost six years but what was on "the other side of the fence" was indeed better. But, for fooling around with it, a 90-year old man, described as "just plain mean," and his granddaughter got themselves a jail term in Moore Recorder's Court Monday.

Brock Gaddy of Southern Pines, and his 24-year-old granddaughter, Delores Temper, were charged with trespass and malicious destruction of property.

According to Southern Pines police officers who arrested Gaddy about a month ago, the trouble grew out of a peach tree that Gaddy planted several years ago. At the time the aged Negro thought the land on which he planted the tree was his.

A survey conducted about three years after indicated, however, that the tree was just over Gaddy's property line on land owned by Yank and Matilda Williams. The Williamses had offered, they said, to let Gaddy remove the tree. They had even encouraged such action, they told officers.

But Gaddy didn't move the tree and it continued to grow. The Williamses nurtured it along, pruning and spraying it until, finally, this year, it bore fruit. Gaddy decided the peaches were his, according to testimony in court. He got embroiled in an argument with the Williamses over ownership but the Williamses contended it was on their property and that they had kept it in good condition. The peaches, they said, belonged to them.

Gaddy admitted to officers he directed his granddaughter to cross the property line and knock the peaches down, and the tree, too, if she could.

Arrested by Chief C. E. Newton early in July, Gaddy was docketed for a hearing in Southern Pines Justice of the Peace court. He refused before Lloyd T. Clark, Justice of the Peace, to take an oath, saying he had never taken one before because it was against his principles.

"I never swore in my life," he said.

Clark, faced with the impossibility of hearing testimony when the defendant refuses to be sworn, had to remand the case to Recorder's Court.

Both Gaddy and his granddaughter received 15-day terms in Moore County jail, which were suspended on payment of costs for each. They appealed the sentences to Superior Court and were placed under \$50 bonds each.

Other cases disposed of: Gaston Barrett, Jr., Carthage, driving without operator's license and driving during period of revocation (second offense), called and failed, capias issued, returnable August 11, bond set at \$300. Hoover Benymon, Addor, failure to support illegitimate child, six months on roads, suspended on payment of costs, payment of medical bills, hospital bills, and on condition defendant pay \$6 per week toward support of child until further orders of court. Robert Eugene Hobby, Apex, speeding 56 (truck), called and

failed, capias issued, returnable August 20, bond set at \$35. M. B. McAllister, bondsman, failing to appear in court, sci fa was ordered issued and court ordered that defendant pay the Clerk of Court \$100, the amount of the bond, and that judgment of \$100 be entered against George Blue, the bondsman. Sci fa on new bondsman, returnable August 11, instanter capias issued for defendant.

Robert McLeod, failure to comply with judgment to support wife and five children, ordered to Moore County jail to begin serving 90 day sentence unless defendant can pay delinquent account and costs of the hearing.

Howard Mofield, East Bend, failure to comply to judgment requiring him to support family. Instanter capias issued.

Merle Howard, Aberdeen, driving drunk, careless and reckless driving, accident, improper equipment, \$100 and costs, license revoked 12 months. Ed Callicutt, Rt. 2, Troy, driving without operator's license, \$25 to include costs. John L. Williamson, Robbins, speeding 48 in 35 zone, \$20 to include costs. Earl Bradsher, Washington, D. C., driving drunk, \$100 and costs, license revoked 12 months. May Allen, Willie Allen, abduction, case reinstated and set for Saturday.

Wilbert W. Walker, Camp Gordon, Ga., speeding 65, improper equipment, \$25 to include costs. Clifford E. Reeves, Fort Bragg, careless and reckless driving, improper equipment, called and failed, capias issued, returnable August 20, bond set at \$50. Robert Lee King, Winston-Salem, careless and reckless driving, personal injury, 60 days on roads, suspended on payment of \$25 and costs and payment of \$80 to cover damage to other car. Willie Whitaker, assault and battery, assault with a deadly weapon, capias issued, returnable August 20, bond set at \$100. Subpoena issued for Mary Whitaker, prosecuting witness. Walter McCray, Pinebluff, driving without operator's license, prayer for judgment continued on payment of costs. Wilbert Terry, assault with a deadly weapon (knife), three months on roads. William J. Black, West End, assault, creating disturbance, unlawful possession of tax-paid whiskey, three months on roads, suspended for two years on payment of costs and on condition defendant remain of good behavior toward his wife and children during that time, and that he refrain from coming home while drinking, and that he not bring any alcoholic beverage home with him. The court recommended that Black regularly attend church and Sunday School every Sunday. Claude C. Westbrook, Aberdeen, cursing and disorderly conduct, court recommended that warrants be amended and changed to resisting, delaying and obstructing officers in the proper discharge of their duties, not guilty of cursing and using profane language. \$25 and costs, defendant appeals sentence to Superior Court, bond set at \$100. Gene R. Jones, Fort Bragg, speeding 90, failure to stop at stop sign, three months on roads, suspended on payment of \$100 and costs, license revoked as required by law. Lorenzo Hill, Carthage, careless and reckless driving, not guilty of careless and reckless driving, but guilty of following too closely, prayer for judgment contin-

ued on payment of costs. Charles Edward Maness, Ashboro, trespass, assault with a deadly weapon, carrying concealed weapon, amended to driving drunk, three months on roads, suspended on payment of \$100 and costs, license revoked as required by law (12 months), defendant appeals to Superior Court, bond set at \$250. Billy Black, assault with a deadly weapon, defendant pleads guilty through counsel. Testimony indicated defendant is in the Army in Washington and prosecuting witness desired to withdraw the charges. Court allowed defendant to plead guilty,

in absentia through counsel, ordered to pay a fine of \$25 and costs, and to pay the hospital bills of Jasper Black. Ellis Davis, Robbins, unlawful possession of illicit whiskey, prayer for judgment continued on payment of costs. Brook Gaddy, Southern Pines, trespass, malicious destruction of property, and Delores Temper, same charges. Fifteen days in Moore County jail for both, suspended on payment of costs each. Defendants appeal to Superior Court, bond fixed at \$50 each. Charles O. Williams, Fort Bragg, driving without operator's license, capias issued, returnable August 20, bond fixed at \$25.

Beekeepers Plan Annual Meeting

A meeting of the North Carolina Beekeepers Association will be held at Western Carolina College in Cullowhee August 10 and 11, it was announced today by Fleet Allen, county agent. Those attending the meeting and staying in dormitories on the college campus are expected to bring towels and linens, Allen said. The dormitories will be open both Thursday and Friday nights.

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