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**Two Aberdeen Officers Acquitted
Of Entering House Without Warrant**

Burney Sanders, Aberdeen police officer, was fined \$25 and costs "for using more force than necessary" in making an arrest at the home of a Berkeley Negro October 6.

At the same time Kieth Marks, Moore County ABC officer, was found not guilty, as was Sanders, on charges of breaking and entering, assault and battery, cursing, and conducting an unlawful search of the premises of Mary McCrimmon, the prosecuting witness.

The case, which had been continued a number of times because all the principals could not be in court at the same time, grew out of several arrests that Marks, Sanders and Robert Yates, former police chief in Aberdeen, had made after visiting the McCrimmon home to investigate a complaint that whiskey was being sold there.

Three sharp differences in testimony stood out. Mrs. McCrimmon said they knocked down the door without offering any explanation as to why they were there. She charged that a search warrant had never been read to her.

She also said that Sanders struck Henry Jones, a visitor in the house at the time, without provocation and was brutal in his attack. And she denied that there was gambling going on in the house at the time.

The officers—Yates was not in the courtroom at the time, his trial having been continued to the first week in January—denied they broke down the door, insisted they had a search warrant and had indeed read it to her in the prescribed manner, and said that Henry Jones was not brutally beaten.

Mrs. McCrimmon, who was privately represented by Herbert Seawell, testified that the officers had surprised her and nine of her 12 children, together with two visitors, whom she identified as Will Aldridge and Henry

Jones. She said the officers had broken the latch off the door and burst in, proclaiming they were there to find liquor.

Aldridge collaborated her testimony. Jones, according to Mrs. McCrimmon, is presently laid up with a cast on his leg, caused in an accident since the arrests were made.

Both Mrs. McCrimmon and Aldridge were convicted in Aberdeen Recorder's Court for gambling, but both have denied they were. Aldridge said money was there merely to pay off some people for picking cotton. The cards that officers found, he said, belonged to the children.

Marks said he was in the yard, searching for liquor, when Sanders struck Jones. He did not see any fight, he testified, although he did see Sanders try to forcibly get Jones out of the house.

Sanders admitted he struck Jones "because he was running his mouth the worst I've ever heard" and because he resisted arrest.

In asking for acquittal of Marks, attorney W. D. Sabiston said to the court: "If you believe that Marks had a warrant, there is no case here. He could go in the house. There is no statute against it."

Seawell countered with the statement that a search warrant was an instrument that was basic in one's freedom and was something that kept law officers from searching when they wanted to.

Judge Rowe, in finding both not guilty on the breaking and entering charges, said that Sanders probably used more force than was necessary. Sanders appealed the conviction to Superior Court and was placed under \$150 bond.

The search warrant was never introduced as evidence.

According to marketing specialists in the U. S. Department of Agriculture, poultry and egg supplies will set new production records. Egg supplies will be two per cent or more above the 1955 high.

PINEHURST NEWS

By MARY EVELYN de NISSOFF

Entertain
Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Rettew and Mr. and Mrs. L. Paget Rigby entertained at a cocktail party at the Rettew's cottage last Wednesday.

Birth Announcement
Mr. and Mrs. Robert Mathews are the parents of a son, George Edward, born November 20 at Mansfield, Ohio. They have two little girls. Mrs. Mathews is the former Eva Fitzgerald, niece of Mrs. Edward G. Fitzgerald of Pinehurst.

Briefs
Mr. and Mrs. John M. Reeves leave this weekend for New York City where Mr. Reeves will receive the 6th annual Textile Award of the New York Board of Trade, to be presented at a luncheon in his honor at the Waldorf-Astoria on December 6.

Mr. and Mrs. John R. Sibley left Sunday for a visit at their home in Spencer, Mass.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur J. Lacey return this weekend from Beverly Hills, Calif., where they were guests at the wedding Saturday of Mr. Lacey's niece, Miss Charlene Lacey, to Charles Adel Piercey.

Mrs. Audrey Allen Hutchings of Warren, Pa., was the guest this week of her aunt, Mrs. Samuel G. Allen.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard D. Chapman and Mr. and Mrs. Frederick A. Landis leave tomorrow for Camden, S. C., where Mr. Chapman will participate in the two-day Best Ball of Pair tournament being held at the Camden Country Club.

Mr. and Mrs. Winthrop Williams returned Sunday to their cottage, Cedar Crest, after a visit of several weeks in Palm Beach, Fla.

Mr. and Mrs. John von Schlegel spent the Thanksgiving weekend in Baltimore, Md., where they took their son, Alfred, and Robin Tufts, both students at St. James' School, to dinner and to a pro football game.

Weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Sidway at their Linden Road cottage were Mr. and Mrs. Hilton Weing of Dobbs Ferry, N. Y.

Mrs. Robert E. Harlow sails tomorrow from New York City aboard the Ocean Monarch for a 10-day stay in Bermuda where

she will cover for Golf World the annual Goodwill Tournament.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert W. White are at their Linden Road home for the season.

Mr. and Mrs. Billy G. McKenzie and their sons, Donald and Franklin, spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Church in Canton.

Guests at Miss May Chapman's last week were Bill O'Brien, son of former Pinehurst resident Pat O'Brien; Carl Rebalman and his son, Carl Rebalman, Jr., all of Lake Orian, Mich., and William Leer of Detroit, Mich.

Weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. William E. Parfitt were Mr. and Mrs. George B. Doughman of New York City.

Mr. and Mrs. James Cole and daughter, Diane, of Washington, D. C., and Miss Helen Ruth Cole and Richard Cole, both of Greensboro, spent Thanksgiving with Mrs. W. Hulon Cole.

Mr. and Mrs. Denison K. Bullens had as their weekend guests at Homewood their son and

daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. D. K. Bullens, Jr., of Oyster Bay, L. I.

"Sandy" Cook, a student at the University of North Carolina, and his house guest, George Hart of Duke university, spent the holiday with Mrs. Galpin Cook at Garren Hill.

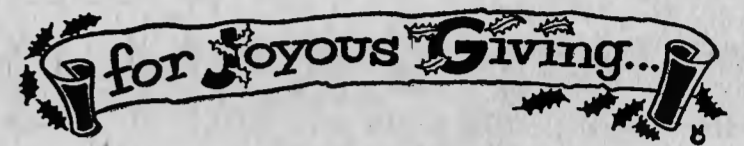
"Mack" Hamor of Davidson College and Anne Hamor, a student at the Woman's College in Greensboro, were the holiday guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Hamor.

Faust Risley of Huntington, L. I., arrived last weekend for a

stay of several weeks with his daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Keith Wedlock.

Certified seed supplies of superior forage crop varieties are larger this year than ever before, according to agronomists in the U. S. Department of Agriculture.

The 1957 acreage allotment announced for North Carolina Virginia type peanuts is 168,813 acres says A. D. Stuart, Extension agronomy specialist at North Carolina State College.



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