

SEVERAL GET LONG SENTENCES

Assault Cases Occupy Jury During Early Days of Superior Court Term

Cases of violent assault occupied the attention of Moore criminal court Wednesday, with one trial continuing over through Thursday morning.

This was the case against J. D. Sanders and Major Sanders, brothers, of near Robbins, whom A. C. Burns charged with having attacked him in his car, dragging him out of the car and administering a brutal beating.

He said J. D. Sanders leaped into his car over the left front door, and, with one leg thrust down through the steering wheel, beat him about the head and face as he tried to drive, until the blood ran down into his eyes and he was forced to stop the car. He said he drove more than 500 feet while the beating was going on.

After he stopped, he said the brothers dragged him out of the car and kicked and beat him as he lay half in and half out of the car, and that they forced him to sign a paper saying he would pay for J. D.'s car. He said he "scribbled something" on a piece of paper and "would have written anything" to make them stop.

The beating allegedly grew out of an incident in which Burns' car sideswiped Sanders' earlier that evening, the night of January 26.

He said that in the beating he lost two teeth, several ribs were broken, his nose was broken, his body was bruised all over and five stitches had to be taken in a gash on his head.

The defendants, presenting their case Thursday morning, said the fight was a mutual affair and that they were acting in self-defense as much as anything else.

Two other cases heard Wednesday arose from assault incidents at Addor with all principals Negroes. The same man, Henry Morrison, was the defendant in both cases.

Tom Covington, who has appeared many times in court over the last few years, mostly on liquor law violation charges, pleaded guilty to a charge of assault with deadly weapon which the State accepted. The original charge had involved also a murderous intent resulting in serious and permanent injuries. He was given a 12-months suspended

sentence on payment of costs and Morrison's hospital expenses, and placed on good behavior conditions for a three-year period.

Five teen-age defendants, charged with assault, were reduced to four when the case against one of them, Bernard Little, was dismissed by Judge Preyer. The prosecuting witness, again Morrison, said Little had nothing to do with the series of attacks to which he was subjected. Another, Paul Williams, Jr. pleaded guilty and his sentence was deferred pending a conference with the probation officer. Going to the jury were the cases against James Harrison, Jr., Walter McRae and Tom Lee Cotton.

Cotton was acquitted. Harrison drew nine months, suspended for three years on payment of the costs, and McRae was sentenced to six months, suspended for 12 months on payment of the costs.

Testimony showed that the boys had subjected the elderly Negro to a series of attacks during most of an afternoon. Harrison "jumped" him first, stabbing him in the arm with a knife, and Cotton and McRae attacked him one after the other later. Despite efforts at self-defense, the old man wound up the day beaten to a pulp and had to be under medical care at his home for one month, testimony indicated.

The attacks centered around Henry Gray's store and, on advice of defense counsel, Judge Preyer included in his conditions of suspension a ban on the boys' visiting this store.

The attorney, H. F. Seawell, said that with the sentences suspended for long periods—three years in the case of Harrison, 12 months for the other two—he thought it wasn't enough for them to be forbidden to go on the premises of Henry Morrison, and he was afraid they would get into trouble if they happened to run up on him while frequenting the store, apparently their regular hangout.

In other actions of the court Tuesday and Wednesday, Charles Oliver Hawkins, a young Negro, was sent to prison for not less than 18 nor more than 36 months on three counts of forgery.

Two members of a gypsy camp Southern Pines and Aberdeen, pitched at a trailer park between

MEETING HERE MAY 10-11

Travel Council To Explore Means Of Increasing Tourist Industry

New competition facing the tourist business, one of North Carolina's largest industries, will be discussed at a special meeting of the executive committee of the North Carolina Travel Council here May 10-11, Voit Gilmore of Southern Pines, president of the Council, said this morning.

"While the \$300,000,000 travel industry has the potential to become North Carolina's leading industry," Gilmore said, "it must

face up now to the fact that it is confronted by new and increasing competition."

He listed that new competition as the rapid increase in low-cost air excursions to foreign countries, the super highway system speeding tourists past overnight and eating stops they formerly utilized, and the need for improvement of some of North Carolina's older attractions to give the state the "new look" essential to luring modern-day tourists.

He said that some advances have already been made in this state but that it is imperative to improve the general theme of things in the state not only to meet today's standards, "but those of the future."

On tap for discussion sessions are such topics as informational tourists signs, tourist advertising and promotion, roadside development and beautification, tourist recreational projects, travel hosts schools, and other things that relate directly to the tourist business.

Attending the meeting, which will be held at Mid Pines and at the Howard Johnson's Lodge and Restaurant, are Lynn Nisbett of Raleigh, newspaper correspondent and president of Afternoon Daily Newspaper Association of North Carolina; T. E. Pickard Jr., Charlotte, executive secretary of the North Carolina Motor Club; Tom Davis, Winston-Salem, president of Piedmont Airlines; Beekman Huger, Canton, president of Western North Carolina Associated Communities; and Richard Tufts, president of the Professional Golfers Association.

Of much local interest is a meeting Saturday morning to which anyone in this area connected with a tourist related business is invited. Tourist promotion and other problems will be discussed.

The Travel Council, which is non-profit, has the blessings of Governor Hodges and represents the far-flung tourist business in the state. While the powers of the Council are largely recommendatory, Gilmore said that the industry representation in its membership makes it a powerful instrument of policy for advancement of the multi-million vacation and retirement business.

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John Henry Toomer pleaded guilty to assault with deadly weapon, and received six months suspended for 12 months on payment of costs and \$30 to Fred Ross.

Curtis Hill, pleading guilty to larceny, received 18 months suspended for five years on payment of costs.

Judgment was continued for Lewis Williamson for three years on a non-support charge, on payment of costs and other conditions.

George Wilson Short, pleading guilty to a second offense of drunk driving, drew 12 months suspended for three years on payment of \$200 and costs.

A jury found Clennon Redd Langston guilty of public drunkenness, using vile and profane language, violation of motor vehicle laws and resisting an officer—an action in which Deputy Sheriff A. F. Dees suffered a fractured rib. Sentenced to six months on the roads, the defendant noted an appeal to the Supreme Court and bond was set at \$1,000.

Ernest A. Butts, Jr., pleading guilty to reckless driving and racing, received 30 days suspended on payment of costs. A nol pros with leave was taken in the case of Charles Williams on the same charges.

Girl Scouts Adopt New Budget For '58

The finance committee of the Central Carolina Girl Scout Council has adopted a 12 and one-half thousand dollar budget for 1958, according to M. S. Whitted, Jr., chairman.

The Council, of which Moore is a part, pointed out that the budget represents a normal increase while retaining local community quotas practically the same as in 1957.

Approximately 400 members were added during the past year, Whitted said, and that accounted for the small increase in the budget. Additional services for the new members were needed, he added. Also, he said, the budget will provide more adequate secretarial services, workmen's compensation for the staff, and increased appropriations for services and supplies.

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Pianist To Play In N. C. Symphony Concert Monday

Nicholas Zumbro, pianist, of Nashville, Tenn., and New York City, will be guest artist with the North Carolina Symphony Orchestra for the annual concert at Chapel Hill in Memorial Auditorium Monday night, May 6, at 8:30 o'clock. The concert is open to Symphony Society members from other communities and to all who secure memberships at the door.

With Dr. Benjamin Swalin conducting, the orchestra will play Frescobaldi's Toccata, Beethoven's Fourth Symphony, and the Overture to Tchaikowsky's "Romeo and Juliet."

Zumbro, who won in auditions conducted last fall by the North Carolina Symphony Society, will play with the orchestra Ravel's Concerto for Piano and Orchestra in G Major.

J. G. Gilbert of Pinehurst are members of the finance committee.

Schedule Of Day Camps Announced By Girl Scouts

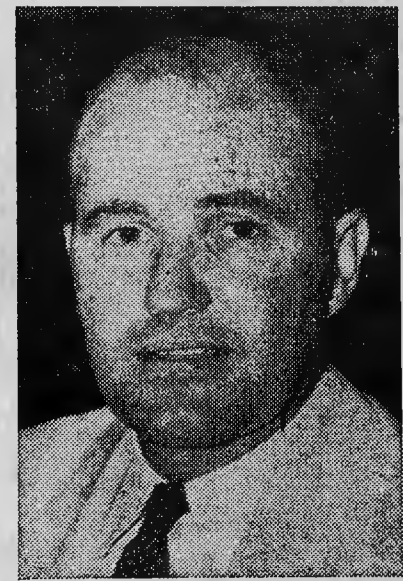
The Central Carolina Girl Scout Council will operate at least seven day camps in the area this year, according to Mrs. Edward Davis of Sanford, camp chairman. The camps begin May 27 and continue through June 28, operating five days at each site.

The schedule is as follows: Chatham District, May 27-31; Angier, Buies Creek and Erwin, June 3-7; Robbins, June 10-14; Southern Moore County and Dunn, June 17-21; and Lee County, June 24-28.

Each camp will be directed either by Cathryn Creaman, executive director, or Sophia White, field director for the council.

The theme for the camps will be "Let's Learn Scouting Skills." Instructions will be given in arts and crafts, music and dancing, campercraft skills, nature, outdoor training, all with emphasis on badge work for intermediates. Special emergency preparation will be offered for senior scouts. Fee per camper is \$1.50 per week.

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