

Two Youths Jailed As One Goes Free In Dowdy Murder

As a result of two signed confessions and new corroborative evidence, two youths are behind bars and the man who was behind them is now free.

Eli Williams, Jr., who was charged with the murder of Willie R. Dowdy, February 22, and held for trial when probable cause was found, was released from his Carthage jail cell Wednesday following the arrests of Herbert Ewing, 18, of 154 South Stephens Street, where the crime took place, and Charles William Gibson, ("Bobby"), 17, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Gibson of West Pennsylvania Ave. Ext.

Ewing's confession implicated Gibson and triggered the latter's confession. Ewing had a police record of assault and larceny and also is wanted in New Jersey as a material witness in a manslaughter case involving circumstances similar to those in the Dowdy crime.

In his sworn statement made to Southern Pines Police Chief Earl Seawell and read in court Ewing stated that during the carousing that took place in the Ewing home the night of February 22, in which various members of the Ewing family, Gibson and also Williams were involved, he and Gibson beat Dowdy, dragged him out into the yard, and left him lying on the ground. When found the next morning the body showed marked signs of a beating, bruises about the head and a broken rib, and had been frozen stiff during the bitter cold of the night. The coroner's verdict was: death by exposure, with a beating and drinking as contributory causes.

Gibson's story corroborated (Continued on Page 8)

Don't Follow Fire Truck Too Closely

Fire Chief Joe Garzik and Police Chief Earl Seawell this week warned motorists that it's against the law to follow a fire truck within a block's distance and also that motorists must pull to the side of the street and stop when fire trucks are approaching.

Chief Garzik said people who follow the fire truck or obstruct its progress have been creating difficult and dangerous situations for the firemen, especially at night.

The local volunteers responded to two alarms in the past week—a fire in baled pine straw near St. Joseph's Hospital on Sunday and a call from a house where curtains caught fire, on Hale St. in West Southern Pines, at 9 p.m. Monday. There was no extensive damage at either location.

AD CORRECTION

In an A & P Super Market advertisement appearing on page 11, an error in copy furnished to The Pilot lists five pounds of beef for \$8.75. The item should read: 25 pounds of beef for \$8.75.

IN WASHINGTON, D. C.

Lang Promoted To Brigadier General

John A. Lang, Jr., of Carthage, was among six Air Force Reserve officers confirmed last week by the U. S. Senate in the rank of brigadier general Air Force Reserve. President Kennedy recently forwarded the nominations of these reserve officers to the Senate.

Gen. Lang has a mobilization assignment as deputy commander, Air Force ROTC Headquarters, Air University, Maxwell Air Force Base. In civilian life, he serves as deputy for Reserve and ROTC Affairs, Office of the Secretary of the Air Force in Washington.

Previous to coming to the Pentagon in 1961, Lang was a Congressional administrative assistant on Capitol Hill for 15 years. He served as secretary to 8th District Congressman Charles B. Deane, of Rockingham, from 1947 to 1957.

A graduate of the University of North Carolina, Gen. Lang headed the National Youth Administration in North Carolina as the state administrator in Raleigh from 1938 to 1942. He volunteered



DISCUSSING ROADS and other matters with the county commissioners Monday at Carthage were a number of guests. Left to right, seated, State Senators Garland Garriss of Troy and W. P. Saunders of Southern Pines; Rep. H. Clifton Blue, Speaker of the House; 8th Division Highway Commissioner Elsie Webb of Rockingham; Fred Beck of Carthage, district highway engineer; and commissioners T. R. Monroe and W. S. Taylor. Standing, same order, are Commissioner J. M. Pleasants, J. M. Currie and Chairman L. R. Reynolds. Division Engineer T. C.

Johnston, Jr., of Southern Pines is hidden between Beck and Monroe. The commissioners went over proposed secondary road work with Webb and the highway engineers and will meet again with them to choose roads for paving, when amount of funds available is known. The commissioners endorsed a proposal for a \$200 million state road bond issue and the return of highway funds, now diverted to the Motor Vehicles Bureau and the State Prisons Department, to the State General Fund for secondary road use. (V. Nicholson photo)

Missing Man Seen Alive, Couple In Carthage Reports

Speculation on the fate of Bill Upchurch, young Highfalls man whose truck was found wrecked on the Deep River bridge there February 9, increased this week after a Carthage couple told the Moore County sheriff's department they believe they saw Upchurch alive after the time of the wreck, on the night it took place.

The supposition that Upchurch survived the accident gained credibility also this week, after a futile, all-out search of Deep River on Sunday—by hundreds of rescue workers and others. As in numerous previous searches, no trace of his body was found.

Chief Deputy H. H. Grimm of (Continued on Page 8)

Pinehurst To Be On Radio 'Profile' Sunday

Richard S. Tufts, chairman of the board of Pinehurst, Inc., will be interviewed at 6:15 p.m. Sunday on the "Profile" program of Radio Station WPTF, Raleigh.

Bob Farrington of the WPTF staff was in the Sandhills Wednesday to record the 15-minute interview which will trace the history of Pinehurst from its founding nearly 70 years ago.

The program is one in the station's series which recognizes industrial firms and other organizations. Several in this area have been "Profile" subjects.

JUNIOR HIGH TO PRESENT OPERETTA

The annual operetta presented by East Southern Pines Junior High School (7th and 8th grades) will be seen in Weaver Auditorium Friday and Saturday nights of this week—a two-act adaptation of "The Magic Flute" from the story by Schikaneder and Gisecke and the music of Mozart.

Performances will be at 8 p.m. each night, with a separate cast for each, to permit wider participation by students.

The dialogue was adapted by the 8th Grade Language Arts Class. All students in both grades have some part in the production, on stage or behind the scenes. Advance tickets are on sale by Junior High students. Sell-out performances are expected.

Seniors Golf To End Wednesday

First round of match play, in flights of 16 pairs, is scheduled for Saturday in the Pinehurst Country Club's Seniors Four-Ball Invitation golf tournament. The event will run through Wednesday of next week when the finals will take place.

The more than 100 senior golfers, including Sandhills residents and many visitors, will play at the No. 2 championship course.

Trophies will be awarded for the best qualifying score and to winners and runners-up in each flight.

An 18-hole qualifying round is set for Friday. There will be no tournament play on Sunday.

Peacock Chosen As Nominee For Naval Academy

Congressman Charles R. Jonas has announced the selection of Jonathan Earl Peacock of Aberdeen as a nominee for appointment to the U. S. Naval Academy at Annapolis Md.

The son of Major (U.S. Army, retired) and Mrs. Donald F. Peacock, Jonathan is now attending Georgia Southern College in Statesboro, Ga. He graduated in 1962 from Georgia Military Academy.

In the competitive system used by Congressman Jonas, several students are selected to compete for each Army, Navy or Air Force Academy vacancy that is allotted to the Eighth Congressional District. The nominees compete with each other for the vacancy and selection of the student is made by the academy, based on the examination scores.

District Playoffs To Start, Aberdeen

Two Moore County teams, Pinehurst and Robbins, will take part in the District 4 Class A basketball playoffs and tournament starting Friday night in the Aberdeen gym.

Robbins plays its first game at 8:30 p.m. Friday against Ellerbe, at Aberdeen.

Pinehurst doesn't play until the playoffs move to Red Springs next week. First game for the Pinehurst team then is at 7 p.m. Thursday, in the district tournament.

MOORE COUNTY BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

Pinehurst Boys, Vass-Lakeview Girls Win

BY JOEL STUTTS

An overflow crowd estimated at over 2,000 basketball fans witnessed the exciting championship games climaxing play at Carthage Monday night in the 36th annual Moore County High School Basketball Tournament.

These games featured Pinehurst's boys sweeping to their 29th consecutive 1962-63 victory while picking up the coveted tourney crown. And the Vass-Lakeview girls who demonstrated remarkable poise while downing No. 5-seeded Robbins, defending champs, No. 1 seeded West End and No. 2 seeded Farm Life, for their first championship in 33 years.

The Pinehurst Rebels, coached by Roger Paschal, continued to demonstrate their tremendous playing ability in the tournament as they were never closely contested. They defeated No. 2 seeded Robbins by a 62-44 count in the championship game, with

Bobby Norton capturing individual scoring honors with 22 points. Marshall Lewis followed with 15 and Bill McDonald collected 14. Clifford Kennedy with 15 and Johnny Freeman with 13 paced

TROPHIES GIVEN TO MOORE TEAMS

Trophies presented at the close of the Moore County High School Basketball Tournament, in Carthage Monday night, were:

Tournament Champions — Boys, Pinehurst; Girls, Vass-Lakeview.

Tournament Runners-Up — Boys, Robbins; Girls, Farm Life.

Sportsmanship — Boys, Robbins; Girls, Vass-Lakeview and Cameron (tie).

Regular Season Champions — Boys, Pinehurst; Girls, West End.

Commissioners Asked For Funds To Help Set Up Mental Health Clinic

The Moore County Commissioners, meeting in regular session at Carthage Monday, were asked to budget about \$10,000 in the next fiscal year to pay half the estimated annual cost of a mental health clinic to serve the entire county.

Spokesmen for the Moore County Mental Health Association—coordinating agency in making plans for the clinic project—told the board that their proposal assumes the current General As-

sembly will pass legislation making state funds available for such a purpose.

The commissioners took the proposal under advisement, to be considered when they make up the budget for the 1963-64 fiscal year starting July 1. They seemed impressed by the presentation which stressed the acute need for mental health counseling and diagnostic facilities as important aids to the courts, welfare, law enforcement, domestic relations,

alcoholic rehabilitation and other fields of activity.

All the commissioners were present for the session: Chairman L. R. Reynolds and board members John M. Currie, Tom Monroe, James M. Pleasants and W. S. Taylor.

Dr. Charles Phillips of Southern Pines, physician who is chairman of the Moore County Mental Health Association's clinic committee, made the main presentation, explaining that the clinic would have a full-time psychiatric social worker and secretary and would be visited by a psychiatrist and by a psychologist, each one day per week. A charge would be made to patients able to pay, adjusted to ability to pay, and charity work would also be carried on in cooperation with the welfare department, he said.

Dr. Phillips said that Mrs. Leon Baker of Southern Pines, who heads the Matheson Memorial Foundation, would make the Matheson Memorial Clinic building near St. Joseph's Hospital available for the Mental Health Clinic, rent-free.

The commissioners were each handed a bound group of documents dealing with the clinic plan: resolutions in support of the clinic by the Moore County Medical Society, the County Ministerial Association and the Mental Health Association, along with various pertinent background material from state and federal agencies.

While the group was presenting its proposal, Lawrence Johnson, Aberdeen attorney, joined the meeting to say that the Moore County Bar Association, at a noon meeting Monday, had added its endorsement of the clinic.

All speakers on behalf of the clinic stressed the great need for it as observed in their personal experience in the county. In ad- (Continued on Page 8)

Crockett Wins Morehead Scholarship

David Godwin Crockett, the son of Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Crockett, Jr., of Lakeview, has been awarded a Morehead Scholarship to the University of North Carolina, it was announced Tuesday.

The announcement and the presentation of the awards was made personally by John Motley Morehead, chairman of the John Motley Morehead Foundation and founder of the scholarship fund.

Crockett is a student at Vass-Lakeview High School, Vass. He is one of 53 boys to receive the valued scholarships this year. The all-expense scholarships are worth \$5,100 to North Carolina residents for four years of study.

Crockett's school and community activities include serving on the school paper staff, as president of the sophomore, junior and senior classes, marshal, president of the Beta Club, Future Farmers' Club, Glee Club, Youth Fitness Conference, eagle scout, president of Sunday School and church fellowship group, varsity basketball and baseball, and participating in the program for gifted children at Western Carolina College. He will study science or literature in college.

The Morehead Scholarships were first awarded in 1951. They



DAVID G. CROCKETT

are awarded on the basis of outstanding merit reflected in academic ability and attainment, character, leadership, ambition, unselfish service and physical vigor, without consideration of need.

The 53 new grants bring to 418 the total number of Morehead Scholarships awarded in the past

Racing Starts At Pinehurst Sunday

Spring harness racing will begin at the Pinehurst track Sunday, with a six-dash card starting at 2:00 p.m., under auspices of the Pinehurst Driving & Training Club.

Trotters and pacers training at Pinehurst for racing on the nation's top tracks later this year will be seen in action Sunday and on the two other dates scheduled—April 7 and April 21.

Accommodations at the track include reserved parking spaces, general admission, reserved seats and grandstand seats. Children under 12 are admitted free. Advance tickets are on sale at the Carolina Pharmacy and the Carolina Hotel, in Pinehurst.

COUNCIL TO MEET

The Southern Pines Town Council will have its regular meeting in the municipal center at 8 p.m. Tuesday, March 12. Representatives of the Merchants Council are expected to appear before the council to discuss the future of the local business organization.

Workshop, PTA Program On Child Mental Health To Be Held Monday

The mental health of children—and what teachers, parents, physicians, welfare workers and others can do about it—will be the subject of a "mental health workshop," to which all school personnel of the county have been invited, to be held at Southern Pines High School Monday afternoon.

The same subject will form the program topic for the March meeting of the East Southern Pines Parent-Teacher Association at 8 p.m. Monday in Weaver Auditorium.

Registration for the afternoon program will be from 3:30 to 4: a symposium on various aspects of children's mental health will take place from 4 to 5, and further discussion will continue from 5 to 6.

Taking part in the symposium and also appearing as guest speakers at the PTA meeting that night will be Dr. Hardwick Harshman, director of special education at the University of North

Carolina, and James Paul, staff member of the Wright School, Durham.

Others to take part in the afternoon symposium are:

The Rev. Carl Wallace of Southern Pines, moderator; Mrs. Walter B. Cole of Carthage, county director of public welfare; Dr. R. M. McMillan of Southern Pines; and Ralph Foushee of the local school faculty.

THE WEATHER

Maximum and minimum temperatures for each day of the past week were recorded as follows at the U. S. Weather Bureau observation station at the W E B studios on Midland Road.

	MAX	MIN
February 28	58	27
March 1	59	37
March 2	61	43
March 3	64	27
March 4	72	34
March 5	71	61
March 6	68	56

FOR ACTION IN SOUTH VIETNAM

Air Medal Awarded Sergeant Draper

Air Force Staff Sergeant Richard T. Draper, who lives here with his family while stationed at Pope Air Force Base with the

464th Troop Carrier Wing, was one of 14 men receiving the Air Medal during a wing-review at the base Saturday.

The decorations were awarded for action supporting U. S. military assistance programs in South Vietnam during the last half of 1962.

Col. Arthur P. Hurr, wing vice commander, made the presentations. He said it was the largest single group to receive the Air Medal since World War II.

Sergeant Draper, a native of Elyria, Ohio, and a veteran of the Korean conflict, was assigned to Pope AFB and came to Southern Pines to live, four years ago. His wife, Mrs. Perry Draper, remained here while he was in South Vietnam.

The Drapers live in a cottage at the Fairway Motor Court. A nephew, Robbie Bartlett, five years old, lives with them.

Mrs. Draper and Robbie attended the wing review at which the awards were presented.



S-SGT. RICHARD T. DRAPER