

Craven School Board Rejects 14 Applications

- Board Does Not Admit Negro Pupils
- Pupils Wanted To Go to Havelock

New Bern (AP) — The Craven County Board of Education has rejected the applications of 14 Negro students for admission to the white high school at Havelock.

At the same time, the board has filed in Craven superior court for a declaratory judgment which would require parents of the children to come back before the education board before making an appeal to the courts.

Although the board's action was taken at a meeting last week, word of its decision did not become public until Thursday.

Action Postponed
In addition to denying 14 applications the board postponed action on applications of four other Negro students. It did so at the request of the students.

Samuel L. Taylor of Raleigh, Negro attorney representing the group seeking to break racial bars at the Havelock school, said he is studying the Craven board's decision.

He said a decision has not been reached on his next step, but indicated some action might be taken this week.

Craven Supt. R. L. Pugh said the applications were rejected because they did not comply with existing regulations and because no evidence was presented to change school assignments previously made by the board.

No Academic Records
Some were rejected due to the lack of academic records being filed with the applications, while others were turned down because the students had attended a private Negro school which is not recognized by state school officials, he explained.

Craven deputy sheriff Bruce Edwards said he had served 14 civil summons upon parents of the Negro children, informing them of the education board's court move.

The board asked the court for a judgment declaring it incumbent upon the parents to offer evidence in support of the applications to the board before making any appeal to the courts.

The Negro students live in eastern Craven county. In previous years, they have attended high school in Beaufort, Carteret County. There is no Negro high school in Havelock.

Shooting

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feel like fishing that day. Lewis told him that he was three crewmen short and that if Mark didn't come aboard he was fired. At that, Mark threw the coffee cup on the boat and walked off.

That night after the Shoal Harbor returned to Cameron, Captain Lewis said he was accused by Mark who proceeded to start an argument over his firing.

Again on Thursday night, Captain Lewis claimed, he was sought out by the fired fisherman and another argument ensued.

Finally, on Sunday afternoon, Mark came aboard the boat and again began to argue with Captain Lewis, who was on deck. The captain said he tried to get the man to leave the boat, but that Mark pushed him back.

Goes to Quarters
Lewis said he then went up the ladder to the wheelhouse and into his quarters in the rear, shutting the door between his cabin and the wheelhouse.

He said Mark followed him and tried to force the door open. The captain held the door shut with his foot and argued with the Negro through the screened portion of the door, trying to get him to leave.

Lewis said that when Mark persisted in trying to force open the door, that he got down his shotgun, a double barrel 20 gauge hammerless gun. Then, he stated, Mark said, "Let's make up. Let's be friends."

The captain said he agreed, and opened the door. Then Mark asked him for a match, and Lewis lowered his gun and handed him a match. Mark lit a cigarette, looked down, and suddenly sprang on him, Captain Lewis told the sheriff.

Lewis said the surprise attack toppled him back and in the struggle that followed the gun discharged, the load striking the Negro below the pelvis.

Seeks Sheriff
Captain Lewis said he left the Negro lying in the cabin and went immediately to the sheriff's office. Deputy Sheriff Durphy Vincent went back to the boat and took the injured man to the Cameron Medical clinic. O'Donnell funeral home ambulance then took him to Lake Charles, but he was dead upon arrival there.

Sheriff Carter said there was evidence that the Negro had been drinking heavily before the encounter that afternoon. He said no weapons were found on Mark.

Local Historian Writes Of the History of Davis

(Note: The following historical facts of Davis and Davis Island are from a paper prepared by Mrs. Inez Lina of Davis and read before the July meeting of the County Historical Society.)

By MRS. INEZ DAVIS LINA

Everyone has happy memories of childhood, and sometimes these memories are built on very simple things. One of my happiest times was on long winter evenings when kinkfolds would sit clustered around a glowing open fire, where they would relate stories, generally of incidents of long ago.

I would like to take you back to a long time ago, to the year 1666, which was the beginning of what eventually became the closely-knit Davis family of Davis Island, Davis and the Ridge.

Our first ancestor was Richard Wicker who left Bristol, England, on the ship "Rainbow" for Virginia, Feb. 13, 1666. He came to Princess Anne County, Virginia where he lived and married. In his will is mentioned a son, Joseph Wicker, who at the time of his father's death was living in Currituck, North Carolina. Many things indicate that the restless and bold young man had left his father's home seeking excitement and adventure.

Buys Land
Joseph Wicker moved to Carteret County in 1723, or at least he purchased land at that time from Levi Cressie, the island in Jarrott's Bay, known today as Davis Island. This was his home and was given to his daughter in 1742. The oldest records in Carteret County, other than deeds, are his records, written by him during these years. He represented Carteret County in the General Assembly in 1723, the capitol being at Edenton.

Joseph Wicker married Ruth Musson, the widow of Edward Musson, on or prior to Sept. 18, 1705, in Currituck County. He died in 1743, leaving two daughters, Mary and Kessiah. His daughter, Mary, inherited the home on Davis Island. His daughter Kessiah married James Shackelford and Mary married William Davis who is supposed to have migrated to Carteret County direct from Wales in the 18th century. He died in 1756.

William Davis is the progenitor of that large Davis family, many of whom are living in the county. He had one daughter and eight sons, namely: Joseph, William, Wicker, Solomon White, Nathan, Caleb, Issac and Benjamin. The daughter was named Kessiah.

11 Children
I am familiar only with my direct line, Benjamin Davis, the youngest son. He married Sabra Williston between 1771 and 1775. She was the daughter of John Williston of Carteret County. They had eleven children, four sons and seven daughters. The sons were named: Archibald, John, Thomas and Whittington.

Davis Island was becoming too crowded for the number of men who desired land of their own. Two of the sons moved to the mainland, settling in Davis. One built the first brick house in that community, long since gone, but to this day the land that surrounded it is still called the "Brick House" plantation.

The other son built just a plain frame structure. These were the first two homes built in Davis. One of the sons settled at the Ridge

Two Drivers Cited in Beaufort

Two motorists were charged with careless and reckless driving Saturday night in Beaufort. They were Elijah Lewis, 204 S. 14th St., Morehead City, and Elijah Springle.

Lewis was put in jail under \$50 bond. Springle was arrested by Chief Guy Springle half an hour after midnight Saturday. Chief Springle said the driver was roaring around town, scratching off and squealing his tires as he made turns.

Lillian Chadwick was picked up at 9:25 p.m. Saturday and was charged with stabbing Edward (Hack) Barrett in the chest with a knife. Barrett was taken to the Morehead City Hospital and the woman was put in jail under \$50 bond.

A warrant was served on Luzell Stewart at 7:50 p.m. Saturday. The warrant was sworn out by Stewart's wife who told the chief that he assaulted her. Stewart's bond was set at \$50.

being 6 feet, 2 inches tall and very muscular. He said that Lewis, on the other hand, was 5 feet 9 inches and weighed 165 pounds.

There were a number of other crew members on the Shoal Harbor but none witnessed the shooting.

Captain Lewis, a resident of Beaufort, N. C., has been fishing out of Cameron for a number of seasons. Sheriff Carter said that the captain had a good record and had never been in any other trouble.

The captain has secured the services of attorney Joe Trilico of Lakes Charles.

Dr. Stephen Carter, parish coroner, conducted a coroner's hearing Wednesday night of the shoot-

and the fourth son remained on Davis Island with the parents. He was Whittington Davis from whom I descended. He was a member of the North Carolina Assembly in both the House and Senate.

Whittington Davis married his cousin, Abigail Davis, July 27, 1803 and among their children was a son, Martin Ross Davis, my great-grandfather. In the 1850 census of the county he is listed as "plantation owner and schoolmaster."

Now about my own grandfather, Samuel Chadwick Davis, son of Martin Ross Davis. He was a gentle man with softest blue eyes and a neat Van Dyke beard. He married Emily DeVine Murphy. It was she who gave me the popular notion that the Irish are a spirited, poetic people, all of whom have kissed the Blarney stone.

Apothecary Shop
Her father was Poindexter Devine Murphy. He did much "doctoring" in those days, where he had an old apothecary shop in Davis. In that era he could pull a tooth that was aching or heal a horse that was ailing.

Going back to Davis Island about 1866, 200 years after the first ancestor came to Virginia, we find the last remaining children of the family on the island all married and living elsewhere or in nearby surrounding communities.

These devoted children felt an obligation to their parents who were living in primitive isolation. From time to time, they would alternate going to the Island to care for their aged parents. It was quite a few years before the parents either consented or were compelled to leave the Island.

After the Civil War hit the South and particularly during the Reconstruction period, in this remote section, our ancestors battled for survival and the isolation made it harder to climb back than in any other parts of the state.

I wish I knew the complete facts of how the old ancestral home of Davis Island was lost in the family. It was in 1892 that the Bernard Lecklers of Brooklyn bought Davis Island. They had no children and lived there the year around. For many years it was a popular place for holding Sunday School picnics where entertainments were given. There was a ball game every Saturday.

Later the Island was sold to the Robert Demmings of Cleveland, Ohio, who would come down in their yacht during the hunting and fishing season. The island is now owned by Robert L. Humber of Greenville. His mother was a Davis, which means that the island again belongs to a descendant of Joseph Wicker.

In his will, Joseph Wicker stated that he "was leaving Davis Island to his daughter Mary, during her lifetime, and then to his grandson Joseph and his heirs forever."

That section of Davis known as the Ridge, separated from the mainland by low marshy ground was owned at one time by Mrs. Etta Thorsen of Greenville on which she raised sheep and cattle, until sold to Mr. Humber.

In 1896 the vice-president of the United States said: "A people who forget the deeds of their ancestors will achieve nothing worthy to be remembered with pride by remote ancestors."

Court

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Young Jr., James E. Harrison, Jeffrey D. Rice, Richard Schröder, Ellis Aycock, Bobby Glenn Gillkith, John W. Smith Jr.

Raymond Guthrie, Thomas C. Howard, Stanley J. Matula, Ephraim L. Bell, J. W. Taylor, James Thurman McNeill, Rodney G. Nelson, William A. Wheelless.

C. C. Smith, Alvin Reels, both charged with passing a bad check; Leamon Garner, public drunkenness; William Congleton, profane language and trespassing; John Owens, damage to personal property.

Alfred and Bernice Anderson, possession of non-taxpaid whiskey; Martin P. Moran, public drunkenness; Abbott Paul Rose, trespassing and threatening bodily harm.

Bonds Forfeited
Bonds were forfeited by Joseph Frank Villiam, Bobby Dean Barnes, Richard Allen Mangano, Joyce Hill Hawley, Warren Hoyle Young Jr., Gertie Goodwin Rose, Carl Wewitt Bell, Carlos Bryon Hinnant, all charged with violations of the motor vehicle laws.

Roy Lee Humphrey, driving drunk; Ivey Teague, public drunkenness, disturbing the peace, interfering with an officer; Robert J. Lawrence, Marshall W. Van Norman, Johnny E. Moore, Donald J. Smith, Walter H. DeCastro, Frederick Prindeville, Robert G. Brecht, all charged with trespassing, disturbing the peace and public drunkenness.

Dan Gatlin, public drunkenness, and James W. Daily, indecent exposure.

Two Bound Over

Probable cause was found in the cases of Hubert and Hillary Thipodeaux, each facing two counts of breaking and entering and theft. The men are charged with taking money from the juke boxes at the Rip Tide Drive Inn and the Yacht Basin drive-in near Swansboro Aug. 13. In one case, each was bound over to superior court under \$100 and in the other, bond for each was set at \$1,000.

Milton R. Smith, charged with public drunkenness, engaging in a fight and disturbing the peace, was given a three-month sentence suspended on condition he not go to Atlantic Beach for two years, pay \$10 and costs. Smith appealed and his bond was set at \$200.

Henry Wooten Merrill was fined \$100 and costs for driving drunk and having an expired license. He appealed and bond was set at \$150.

Charles O. Fowler III, charged with driving drunk, careless and reckless driving and failing to show operator's license, was found guilty of careless and reckless driving. He was given a 30-day sentence, suspended on payment of \$100 and costs in 30 days.

Judgment Continued
Judgment was continued in the case of Aubrey Willis, charged with giving a bad check, but he is to pay \$5 weekly until 20 weeks have passed. Allen Anderson pleaded guilty to non-support. He was given a year in jail, suspended on provision he pay \$8 a week for support of his minor child and costs.

John E. Smith paid costs for public drunkenness. The state did not press charges on drunk driving. Frank Wade pleaded guilty to violating the fishing laws. He was given a 30-day sentence, suspended on payment of costs in 80 days.

Robert E. Cox and Thomas Boykin Jr. were charged with careless and reckless driving. Cox was ordered to pay \$25 and costs in 30 days. Boykin, who was also charged with driving on the wrong

Car Straps Parked Car In Morehead Yesterday

A 1953 Chevrolet driven by Mary Green Glancy, route 2 Newport, scraped the side of a 1953 Ford on Arendell Street, Morehead City, at 9:15 yesterday morning.

The Ford was parked by Catherine Elizabeth Ballou, Morehead City, in front of the First-Citizens bank. The Chevrolet was parked next to it and when the driver backed it out, she scraped the left front door of the Ballou car. Damage to the Ballou car was estimated at \$40.

Delma Ray Mills, charged with fighting, disturbing the peace, using profane language, resisting arrest and public drunkenness, was fined \$23.50 plus costs and ordered to pay \$5 to the prosecuting witness.

Found Guilty
Raleigh Evans and Jesse Evans, charged with public drunkenness and damaging personal property, were found guilty. Raleigh paid \$15 and costs and Jessie \$5 and costs.

For fighting, Frederick W. Luckenbill and James E. Coleman paid \$10 and costs; for speeding, Herbert J. Anderson paid \$10 and costs; Nelson Lewis, \$25 and costs for public drunkenness. Mrs. Louise Burke was charged costs and ordered to make a bad check good.

William Earl Chapman was found guilty of public drunkenness and given a 30-day sentence, suspended on payment of costs. Guy Harrell Veach, for careless and reckless driving, paid \$50 and costs.

Costs Paid
For violation of motor vehicle laws, the following paid costs: Richard John Waligoro, Durwood T. Oliver, and James Fitzhugh Littleton Jr. Dalton Willis paid half costs for driving without lights.

James and Doris Heddon found guilty of passing bad checks, paid costs. Malicious prosecution was ruled in the case of George Ireland, charged with assault.

It's TV for the Best In Film Entertainment

Charles Dickens' delightful fairy tale, The Magic Fishbone, steals the spotlight at 8 tonight on Shirley Temple's Storybook on channel 7.

It's the story of a junior clerk, an elderly gentleman, played by Barry Jones, and his children, the eldest of whom tries her best to make his earnings feed her younger brothers and sisters.

Then they acquire a fishbone, learn that it is magic and that it will grant them one wish. The captivating story requires an hour for its unfolding.

Other highlights on channel 7 tonight are Highway Patrol at 7:30, the Bob Cummings show at 9:30 and the Californians, a western, at 10.

On channel 9 at 8 Mr. Adams and Eve will appear in The Las Vegas Story; Lloyd Bridges tries to save the lives of three adrift in a raft on Sea Hunt at 9; Charlie Chan dishes up mystery at 9:30 and it's Bid 'n' Buy at 10.

Wednesday Night
Channel 7 brings you the Sheriff of Cochine at 7, Farley Granger in Wagon Train at 7:30, Father Knows Best at 8:30 and the intriguing mystery about Aunt Violet on Kraft Theatre, in color, at 9. The name of the play is We Haven't Seen Her Lately. Dial 999, police drama, is scheduled for 10:30.

On channel 9 at 7:15, Bill Norwood in Trio Time is followed by the Gray Ghost at 7:30. Jane Powell stars in the Goodyear Theatre at 8, and Dianna Lynn in The House that Jackson Built at 8:30. Millionaire is the fare at 9.

Thursday Night
Something new comes to channel 7 at 7 Thursday night—Union Pacific, a western, starring Jeff Morrow. Decoy, police drama, follows at 7:30; Groucho Marx spars with quiz contestants at 8 and it's laughter on the People's Choice at 9. Tommy Nolan stars as 11-year-


O. H. Beals Home Burns Yesterday

A story-and-a-half frame home owned by O. H. Beals was destroyed by fire at 4:30 yesterday morning.

The house was located across highway 70 from Beals' Drive-In about a half mile west of Willis Brothers Seafood Co., Williston.

No one was living in the house which is rented by the Beals who live in a home nearby. No one knows how the fire started.

Marshallberg firemen answered the alarm but the home was beyond saving by the time they arrived.



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And it is interesting to note that many of the most popular mountain areas have adopted the "legal control" system for the sale of beer and ale as not only being the most hospitable but the most practical method of working in the best interests of the local population and their thousands of visitors from all over the country.

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