## Accused Trailer Park Burglars Indicted On 28 Felonies

A Brunswick County Grand Jury handed down 28 felony indictments Monday against a man and woman accused of terrorizing an Ocean Isle Beach neighborhood for more than a year by breaking into his neighbors' mobile homes.

Wilbur Lee Kinlaw Jr., 33, has been charged with 15 counts of second degree burglary in connection with a series of late-night break-ins near his mobile home in the Long Acres Mobile Home Park.

Elizabeth Nan Decker, 53, also of Long Acres, is charged with 12 counts of second degree burglary and one count each of breaking and entering, larceny and possession of stolen goods for her alleged role in the

Residents of Long Acres, located next to Bricklanding Plantation golf course, say the two repeatedly went on "shopping sprees" by breaking into vacation trailers while the owners were away. The thefts occurred between September 1991, and late December

Some of the homes were broken into more than once. Many residents installed metal bars and locks across doors and to marked their property for identifica-

Long Acres residents told police they knew who was doing the break-ins. But investigators were unable to obtain a search warrant for Kinlaw's trailer without proof that the stolen items were inside.

Most of the property taken in the break-ins was being used in the homes of the alleged perpetrators, neigh-

Brunswick County Sheriff's Detectives Tom Hunter and Billy Hughes were finally able to arrest Kinlaw and Decker Jan. 7 after a stolen chain saw was found at a Shallotte pawn shop.

Police rented a truck to haul away the estimated \$7,000 worth of stolen goods allegedly found in Kinlaw's mobile home at the time of his arrest. Recovered items included food, liquor, dishes, canned goods, bed clothes and small appliances. The pair is also blamed for causing more than \$1,500 damage during the

A total of 68 felony indictments were handed down by the grand jury Monday. Also indicted were:

James Franklin Simmons, 34, of Cedar Hill Road, Leland on one count each of possession of a counterfeit controlled substance with intent to sell and deliver it as cocaine, sale and delivery of a counterfeit controlled substance, obtaining money by false pretense and cocaine possession. Simmons is accused of taking \$35,000 from an undercover police officer in exchange for 454 grams of white powder represented as cocaine. The substance later turned out to be a common fruit preserva-

■Debra Elaine Robbins, 34, of Route 1, Leland, on three counts of possession with intent to sell and deliver cocaine, three charges of sales and delivery of cocaine and one count each of cocaine possession, cocaine sales, cocaine delivery, possession of a counterfeit controlled substance, sale and delivery of a counterfeit controlled substance and obtaining money by false pretense. The latter charges stem from her alleged involvement in the Simmons' case.

■Harvey Lee Grady, 29, of Route 5, Leland, on one count each of possession with intent to sell a counterfeit controlled substance, delivery of that substance and obtaining money by false pretense. Grady also is charged in the "Fruit Fresh" case with Simmons and Robbins.

■Curtis Hill, 26, of Route 1, Ash on nine counts each of forgery and uttering false information to cash a forged check. He is accused of forging signatures and illegally cashing checks for a total of \$825. The crimes are alleged to have occurred between Oct. 21 and Oct. 29.

■Tammy Darlene Lockemy, 19, of Seagrove; Bobby Lee Trogdon II, 20 of Asheboro; and William Scott Maness, 19, of Randleman on two counts each of forgery and uttering false paper. The three are accused of passing two forged checks for a total of \$442 in Shallotte last June 1.

■Richard Hugh Grissett, 21, of Farm Loop Path, Sunset Beach on one charge each of forgery, uttering forged paper, felonious breaking and entering, felonious larceny and felonious possession of stolen goods. The forgery is alleged to have occurred Feb. 14. Grissett is also accused of breaking into a Shallotte home Feb. 12 and stealing a shotgun, a piggy bank, a video tape and \$200 in change.

■Jeffery Wade House, 20, of Baldwin Drive, Leland, on one charge each of second degree burglary, larceny, possession of stolen goods and larceny of a firearm. He is accused of breaking into a neighbor's house and stealing a .22-caliber pistol, a pistol case, a telephone answering machine and several checkbooks with a total value of \$145. The burglary is alleged to have occurred Nov. 13.

Christopher Brian Bass, 18, of Route 1, Winnabow. one count each of breaking and entering, larceny and possession of stolen goods. He is accused of stealing a 300-watt amplifier from the Faith Community Chapel church in Sunset Harbor last Nov. 7. The amplifier was valued at \$900.

■Samuel Wright Freeman, age unavailable, of Bolton, on one count each of possession, sale and deliver of be-

tween 28 and 200 grams of cocaine. ■Harlee Daniels of Longwood on one charge each of possession with intent to sell and deliver .2 grams of cocaine, selling cocaine, possession with intent to sell and deliver .8 grams of marijuana and selling marijuana.

■Jerry Hemmingway of Longwood on one count each of possession with intent to sell and deliver .1 gram of cocaine and selling cocaine.

# Leland Police Make Arrest In 'Racially Motivated' Rape

Police have arrested an unemployed house painter Dellinger was called in for questioning and phowho allegedly raped a neighbor last month because he did not like to see her dating a black man, a Brunswick County sheriff's detective said Monday.

Kenneth Lee Dellinger, 33, has been charged with first-degree rape in the Feb. 20 assault on a woman who lives in the Woodburn trailer park in Leland, where Dellinger had been living for about three weeks, according to documents on file at the Brunswick County Clerk of Court office.

Brunswick Detective Ken Messer said the woman and her boyfriend were at a party at a neighbor's trailer when her companion got into an argument with Dellinger.

Dellinger and the woman reportedly went outside and continued the argument, Messer said. Then Dellinger allegedly pushed her to the ground and raped

"He wanted to show her he was better than her black boyfriend," said Messer.

The victim told Leland Police Chief Charles Cliff that she had seen her attacker before, but did not know his name, Messer said. Based on her description, tographed.

Both the woman and her boyfriend identified Dellinger in a line-up, Messer said.

In his request for a court-appointed lawyer, Dellinger said he is an out-of-work painter who was formerly employed in Hickory. He indicated that he has no money and has been living on welfare and food

Dellinger has no known record of sexual assaults, Messer said. However, warrants for his arrest have been issued for failure to appear in court in Kannapolis on charges of assaulting a law enforcement officer, carrying a concealed weapon, resisting arrest, drug possession, trespassing, driving while impaired and driving while his license was revoked.

Court records show that "Dellinger has exhibited a belligerent and non-cooperative attitude with investigating officers," according to Assistant District Attorney Lee Bollinger.

Dellinger is being held in the Brunswick County Jail in lieu of \$100,000 bond. A probable cause hearing has been scheduled for March 11.

#### County Water A Reason To Celebrate For Shallotte Point Area Residents

BY SUSAN USHER

It's time to celebrate.

Dorothy and Palmer Suggs had hauled water for at least five years for drinking and cooking purposes, ever since gasoline leaking from an underground storage tank across Village Point Road contaminated their well.

Now they're got county water. "It's unbelievable," Palmer Suggs said last week. "I can go to the spigot and get a drink of water. I can take a shower and feel like I've had a bath."

Their problem was contamination. But just up the road, Carrie Watts could hardly pump enough water from her well for routine household use. It wasn't unusual for pumps to wear out frequently and wells to run dry during the peak of summer.

And on Pigott Road, longtime Point resident Edith Pigott no longer keeps a cup of lemon juice in the refrigerator to clean the stains from her finger nails.

She's had county water since around Jan. 23. "This is fine," she said. "I'm enjoying it and I think everyone else is too. We were a long time getting it. We're all thrilled. We had worked for it and fussed about it for I don't know how long." She doesn't miss the water that

came from the well in her yard. "It would stain my fingernails black; it would stain your clothes

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looked like black mud.

"I had plenty of water but (without a conditioner) it was just no good for anything except to water the yard.'

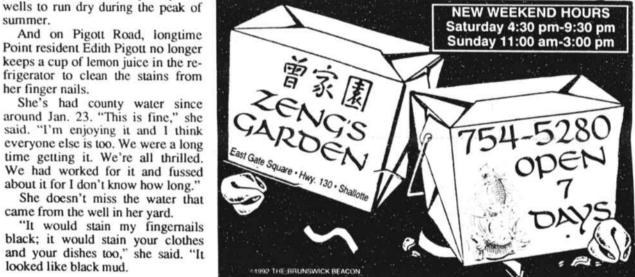
Shallotte Point residents residing on main roads started tapping on to the county water system at the end of 1992. By mid to late summer county water should be available to their neighbors who live in subdivisions as well, as part of a Special Assessment District. Pipes are stacked by the sides of the roads, ready for installation.

"We're about at the halfway point," said Palmer Suggs. "I understand when the new pumping station and elevated tank are completed there should be enough pressure for everybody."

Making good on a lighthearted pledge nearly a year ago, the Suggses and Edith Pigott are helping organizing a celebration Friday, March 19, at 7 p.m. at the fire station for all "Shallotte Pointers" and their friends, including all residents of the fire district.

Fish and ham will be provided, said Suggs, and participants are asked to bring a salad, vegetable or dessert. Tea and coffee will be provided, and no alcoholic beverages will be allowed. "We may even have a little dancing," he added.

"We have a promise of some entertainment and we're going to have a big supper," said Mrs. Pigott. "We're hoping to have a big response."



#### Forum On Schools Set For March 25

"Solutions For Schools through Partnership: A Community Dialogue" will be the topic of a free, countywide forum to be held Thursday, March 25, in the ALS Building at Brunswick Community College in

Dr. Owen Weddle, director of general education at BCC, will be moderator for the forum which will open with a panel of Brunswick County residents stating their "vi-

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sions" for education, followed by small group discussions.

Parents, students, educators, business people, retirees—and everyone interested in education in Brunswick County—is invited to come and share "visions for positive outcomes in the schools," a news release says.

The program will begin at 7 p.m. after registration and refreshments at

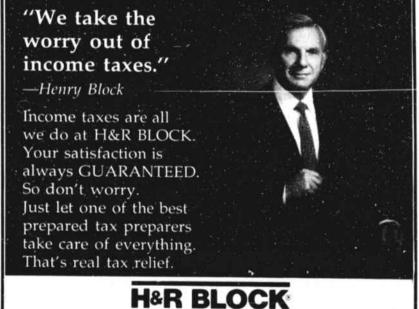
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regional forum on the same topic held in Wilmington in January and is co-sponsored by the Brunswick County Unit of the N.C. Association of Educators (NCAE), Atlantic Telephone Membership Corporation, Brunswick Electric Membership Corporation and the Brunswick County Literacy Council.

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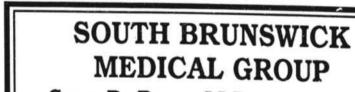
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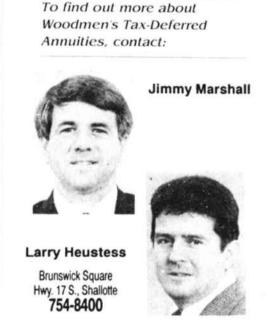
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