

Accident Solves Theft, Locates School AWOL's

An automobile accident occurring three miles west of Kings Mountain, on Highway 74, Friday around 2 p. m. resulted in the apprehension of two automobile thieves and two Jackson Training School escapees.

According to State Highway Patrolman C. D. Fortune, Tommy W. Pressley, of Brevard, operator of the wrecked vehicle, Johnny Capps, of route 1, Primrose, Tommy Harrison, of Gastonia, Alton Locklear, Jr., 16, of Lumberton, and a Kings Mountain minor, all passengers in the car, left the scene of the accident, Pressley and Capps, Officer Fortune said, were apprehended on Highway 74 in front of Bridges Bar-B-Que, with Locklear, Harrison, and the minor, a mile from the accident walking west on Highway 74.

Admittance by Pressley and a check by police authorities, Fortune continued, revealed that around 11 p. m., July 1, a 1954 Chevrolet was stolen from a used car lot in Brevard by Pressley and Capps. Later, according to Fortune, with Pressley assuming the fictitious name of Tommy Orr and a Charlotte address, the pair traded the stolen Chevrolet in Charlotte for a 1946 Ford coupe, receiving \$50 difference in cash.

A search of the persons of the two Jackson School escapees revealed a paid receipt to the School for Locklear. Fortune said a check with the school revealed that Locklear and the Kings Mountain youth had escaped July 1.

The escapees were returned to the school Saturday, Fortune stated.

Pressley and Capps were turned over to Transylvania County authorities and will face charges of larceny of an automobile, in the next term of Transylvania County Superior court. At a later date, Fortune said, Pressley will be tried in Recorder's court in Shelby on charges of reckless driving and driving without an operator's license.

Harrison was booked for public drunkenness and will be tried by Justice of Peace Lee Roberts.

Aiding in the investigation was State Highway Patrolman O. R. McKinney, Jr.

Patrolmen Arrested 21,745 For Speeding

RALEIGH — For the first six months of the year state troopers arrested 21,745 Tar Heels for speeding the Motor Vehicles Department reported today.

Fast driving led by far the half year report of moving traffic violations. Simple speeding does not require revocation of driving privileges for the first offense, the department said.

Other violations reported for the period included driving without an operator's permit 4,625; reckless driving 3,500; faulty equipment 3,506; failing to stop for a stop sign 4,234; improper passing 1,931; following too closely 1,092; and driving on wrong side of road 1,198.

The report showed a total of 45,998 Tar Heels found guilty of moving violations through June 30.

Grading Continues At Negro Pool Site

Grading operations, began on June 28, continued this week at the site of the Negro swimming pool and athletic field, located west of North Waterson street between Davidson school and Waco road.

Bowen & Hubbard Grading Co. of Shelby moved into the area after completing work at the Parker street recreation site, where work has begun on the construction of a pool for white citizens.

C. T. Bennett Construction Co. has the contract for the two pools.

Parker street has been extended from Dilling street to the recreation center area and work is still underway on the Deal street extension, which will give the area an entrance from East Ridge street.

A street is being planned to connect the new Negro elementary school and the Negro recreation site. Only entrance, at present, is off Waco road.

Liquor Cost Biggest Number Revocations

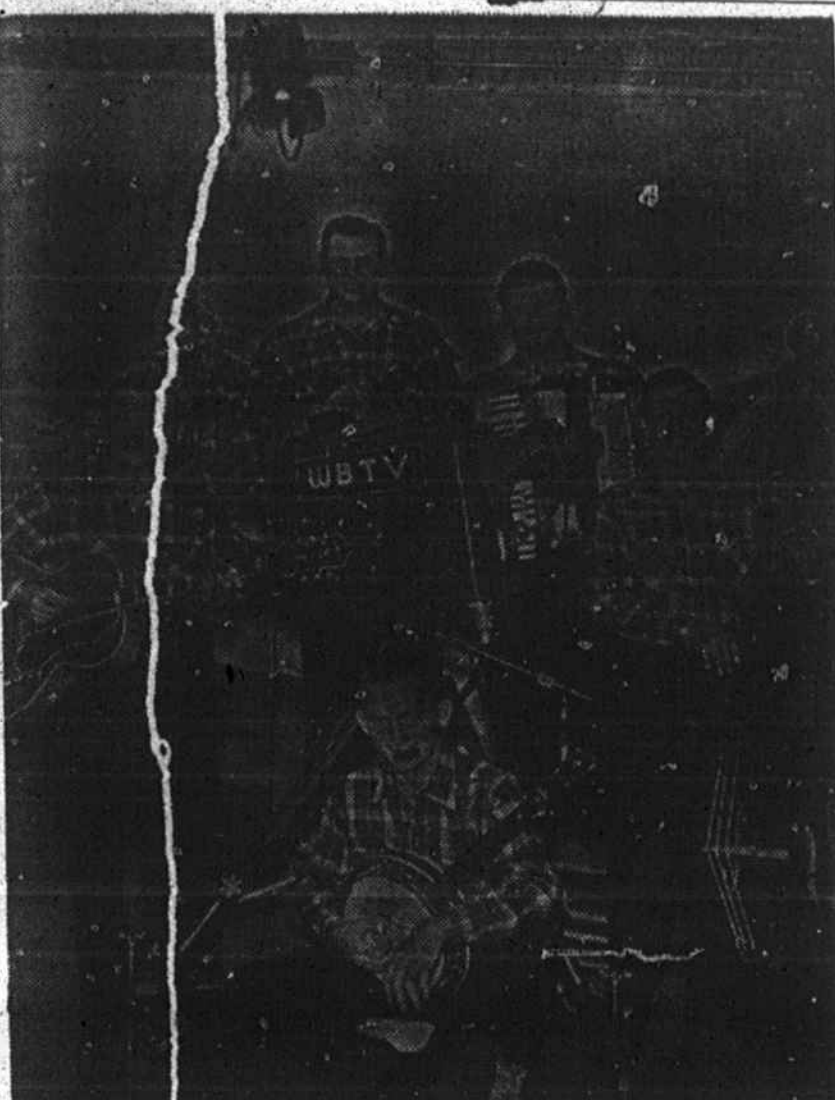
RALEIGH — Liquor — whether transported or imbibed — cost the greatest number of Tar Heel drivers their driving privileges for the first six months of the year the Motor Vehicles Department reported today.

In June 668 drivers were required to surrender their drivers' license, bringing the half-year's total of DD offenders to 4,587.

Speeding was in second place with 3,852 convictions, most of them the results of speeding over 79 mph in an automobile.

Driving after license revoked resulted in additional penalties for 308 motorists during the first half and two offenses of reckless driving got 179 more.

The six month's report showed miscellaneous violations and subsequent convictions as follows: habitual violators 318; larceny of auto 71; improper use of driver's license 47; and unsatisfied judgment 267.



AT STADIUM SATURDAY — ARTHUR SMITH and his Cracker Jacks, radio and television stars, pictured above, will present a variety show at City Stadium Saturday at 8:15 p. m. as the first half of a program being sponsored by Grace Methodist church youth. Clyde "Cloudy" McLean, WBTV weatherman, will "MC" the second portion of the program, a TV talent hunt featuring Kings Mountain area performers. Proceeds go to the church's youth educational building fund.

Arthur Smith, "Cloudy" McLean Feature Grace MYF Talent Hunt Here Saturday

An original "Television Talent Hunt and Variety Show" to feature nationally known television stars Arthur Smith and his Cracker Jacks, is scheduled at 8:15 p. m. at City Stadium on Saturday, with proceeds to go to the Youth Educational Building Fund of Grace Methodist church.

Lined up for appearance on the television show are a number of the top amateur and professional entertainment acts from this area, Mack Murray, chairman, announced today. They will compete for a local prize for the opportunity of appearing as guests on WBTV and for a share of \$2,000 in prizes to be awarded this year in an effort to locate "new-name" television talent.

The grand prize winner, to be chosen by a television talent scout, will be invited to appear on one of Arthur Smith's programs on WBTV next week and will compete later in the quarter finals talent hunt for the top prize of \$500 in cash. A popularity winner will also be chosen, with an electric applause meter being utilized on the stage.

Miss Leona Grant and Miss Elizabeth Camp, program chairmen for the Grace Methodist Youth Fellowship, said today "advance ticket sales for the Art-

thur Smith and original talent hunt show have been very good, but there are still plenty of tickets for everyone. They may be purchased in advance from any member of the MYF, at Murray's Grocery, and at the gate, just before curtain time. Tickets are 50c and \$1.00, with proceeds going to the Youth Educational Building Fund." Gates will be opened at 7:30 p. m.

First half of the program will be composed of a variety show to be presented by Arthur Smith and his Cracker Jacks, with Margie Martin, while the second half of the program will be "M. C.'d" by Clyde McLean, WBTV weatherman and will present local talent. Everyone is invited to attend.

Boy Scout News

TROOP 2 On Monday, July 5th, at 7:30 p. m., Boy Scout Troop No. 2 of St. Matthew's Lutheran church, held its regular meeting.

The meeting was opened with the Scout Oath and good turns were given. J. W. Webster of Elmer Lumber Co., donated a large board and some other pieces of lumber to the Boy Scouts of Kings Mountain.

Three Scouts — Johnny Houser, Dean Bridges and Ervin Houser — built a swell diving board at the camp and said it was the finest around. Some of the swimmers there agreed.

The meeting was later closed. Ervin Houser, Scribe

Church Notices

BOYCE MEMORIAL ASSOCIATE REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN WILLIAM L. PRESSLEY, Minister Church School 10 a. m. Marriott D. Puffer, Supt. Morning Service 11 a. m. Young People will go to a district meeting at Sandy Plains. They will meet at the church after lunch. Union Service 8 p. m. The Union Service will be at the Methodist church with Rev. P. D. Patrick preaching. The public is cordially invited. Prayer meeting, Wednesday evening at 8:00. Choir Practice at 8:30.

A total of 1,813,000 pounds of butter was manufactured in North Carolina in 1953, compared with the 1,264,000 pounds produced a year earlier.

Be Sure To See: MARILYN MONROE ROBERT MITCHUM in "RIVER OF NO RETURN" in CINEMASCOPE at Your Favorite Theatre JOY

AN AMENDMENT TO THE ORDINANCE, SPECIAL LICENSE TAXES OF THE CITY OF KINGS MOUNTAIN, EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1954:

Be It Ordained by the Board of Commissioners of the City of Kings Mountain that the section of the ordinance adopted June 28, 1954, entitled "PEDDLERS" be amended to read:

PEDDLERS (Sec. 121) — Any person who shall carry from place to place any goods, wares or merchandising and sell or offer to sell or barter the same, shall be deemed a peddler, except wholesale dealers with established warehouses and selling only to merchants for resale, shall pay a license tax as follows—per annum— (a) Peddler, with any vehicle propelled by motor or other power, for each vehicle \$200.00 (b) Peddlers of produce, per annum \$15.00 (c) All other peddlers PROHIBITED Not applicable to the sale of books, periodicals, printing, music, ice, wood for fuel, fish, beef, mutton, pork, bread, cakes, pies, dairy products, poultry, eggs, livestock or articles produced by the vendor offering them for sale, but shall apply to medicines, drugs or articles assembled. Not applicable to Confederate soldiers, disabled veterans of Spanish-American War or World War or blind persons who are exempted from this tax by state law.

This amendment was adopted by unanimous action of the Board of Commissioners at the regular meeting of July 1, 1954.

J. R. Hunsbick City Clerk July 8

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