

Paul Owensby Sentenced To 1 Year On Charges Of Molesting A Minor

Paul G. Owensby, 22, of 131 McGinnis Street pleaded guilty to two counts of molesting a minor in Monday's session of Kings Mountain Recorder's Court.

Owensby was sentenced to six months on each count, the sentences to run consecutively. Judge George Thomasson requested that Owensby be examined by a psychiatrist upon entrance to the state prison department.

John L. Price, 32, 801 Third Street, non support; malicious prosecution was found and the prosecuting witness was ordered to pay the court costs.

Harvey Williams, Sr., 42, 313 Ellis Street, charged with assault with a deadly weapon, was found guilty and sentenced to 90 days suspended upon the payment of the court costs.

David L. Williams, 19, Ellis Street, charged with assault with a deadly weapon, pleaded guilty and was sentenced to 90 days suspended upon the payment of a \$15 fine and the costs of court.

Horace E. Kiser, 32, 602 Henry Street, charged with improper license plate, was found guilty and sentenced to 30 days suspended upon the payment of a \$15 fine and the court costs.

James R. McMahan, 38, 707 Myrtle Street, Gastonia, charged with no license plate and no insurance was found guilty to the no license plate charge and was sentenced to 30 days suspended upon the payment of a \$10 fine and the costs of court. He was found not guilty to the insurance charge.

The state took a nol pro in the case of Gary E. Turner, 19, 311 Grice Street, Shelby, who was charged with no operator's license.

Darrell J. Fredell, 20, Route 2, Cherryville, charged with driving on the wrong side of the road, stop light violation, and speeding 90 in a 35 zone, was sentenced to 90 days suspended upon the payment of a \$25 fine and the court costs.

James C. Meeks, 24, Gastonia, charged with no operator's license was sentenced to 30 days suspended upon the payment of the court costs.

The case of Walter B. Norman, Jr., of Route 1, Bessemer City who is charged for improper lights has been continued until March 29.

A capias was issued for Alexander Adams, Jr., 26, of Route 2 who is charged with driving while intoxicated.

Phillip Lucia, 27, 131 McGinnis Street, charged with vagrancy was sentenced to 10 days in the county jail.

Samuel Adams, 42, of Kings Mountain was found not guilty on a charge of simple trespassing.

Jack Gaddy, 400 North Battleground, charged with non support, was found guilty and sentenced to 18 months suspended upon the payment of the court costs.

Lewis Hudson, 25, 309 Cherokee Street, charged with non support was sentenced to 12 months suspended upon the payment of the costs of court.

Malicious prosecution was found in the non-support case against Wayne Williams, 20, Cherryville, and Judge Thomasson ordered the prosecuting witness to pay the court costs.

Six public drunkenness cases were tried.

Submissions included: Robert O. Southwell, 33, 910 Shelby Road, failure to deliver

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title, costs of court.

Mildred H. Herndon, 40, Route 2, improper tag, costs of court.

Isaac Whetsine, 57, Route 1, driving while intoxicated, posted jury fee.

John E. Jefferson, 20, Route 1, exceeding safe speed, half costs.

Thomas G. Wells, 24, Route 1, Mt. Holly, improper passing, half costs.

Alonzo G. Hicks, 42, 1508 Lake Street, Gastonia, half costs.

Herman Clemons, 28, Fitzgerald, Georgia, stop sign violation, half costs.

Richard W. Oliver, Jr., 18, 403 Ridge Street, stop sign violation, half costs.

Robert L. Sherrer, 48, Rock Hill, speeding 50 in 35 zone, stop light violation, costs of court.

Five public drunkenness costs of court.

"Farm mechanization" is a term that is batted around these days about as much as "farm surpluses." But just how extensive is mechanization on North Carolina farms?

One way to answer this question is to look at what is happening to the North Carolina farm population.

The number of farm people in the state decreased 41 per cent from 1950 to 1960, and the trend is continuing. But, yet, farmers are able to turn out larger quantities of food, fiber and tobacco each year.

Mechanization is not the only reason that fewer farmers are able to produce more products. Better seeds, more fertilizers, newer pesticides and better management help, too. Mechanization is, perhaps, the key factor.

Another way to examine the question of mechanization is to look at the number of machines that are actually on North Carolina farms.

Economists at North Carolina State call the replacement of musclepower on Tar Heel farms since World War II "phenomenal."

There are an estimated 140,000 tractors, 10,800 corn pickers and 17,550 grain combines in the state. And these figures do not tell the whole story, because there is a trend in many areas toward two-row and even four-row tractors.

In 1960, there were an estimated 35 mechanical cotton pickers operating in North Carolina. In 1954, there were nearly 1,200, and they were able to pick about half of the state's entire cotton crop—a job that used to require thousands of manhours.

Machines are not only permitting fewer and fewer farmers to handle larger poultry flocks, more hogs, bigger dairy herds. In other words, the entire farm operation is becoming more mechanized.

What about the future? Engineers say the end for farm mechanization isn't in sight.

Agricultural engineers at N. C. State, for example, are talking in terms of tobacco harvesting and curing systems that will permit four men to do the work that 15 people have done in the past.

And they are talking about new tobacco transplanting methods that will enable three men to transplant six to ten acres of tobacco a day—a job that takes several times as many people with present methods.

Playcrafters To Give Plays

BOILING SPRINGS — The Gardner-Webb Playcrafters are entering their final week of rehearsal before the opening of their Evening of One-Act Plays on Thursday evening, April 1, at 8 p.m., in the E. B. Hamrick Auditorium. Directed by Professor F. B. Dedmond, director of dramatics, the production will consist of four one-act plays.

The first play given will be a serious psychological drama entitled "The Refuge." A powerful play, it stars Wanda Hamrick, Shelby; Bill Widenhouse, Concord; Max Brandon, Gastonia; Patricia Satterwhite, McCain; and Diane Patrick, Blacksburg, S. C.

"The Refuge" will be followed by a beautifully staged, colorful fantasy, entitled "Early Frost", which originally was given as a television play on the National Broadcasting Network. A play with a loving and startling climax, it features Betty Tolleson, Matthews, S. C.; in the main role. She is ably supported by Linda Wright, Hickory; Brenda Hauser, Winston-Salem; and Sandy Dunlap, Walnut Cove.

A folk play set in a far-away

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Q—Although I have never worked under social security, my husband has, ever since it started. I am 55 and totally disabled. Can I receive social security disability insurance?

A—No. In order to receive disability benefits you yourself

country, a long time ago will be the third play on the Evening of One-Act Plays bill. A touching, radiantly colorful play, aptly entitled "Gray Bread," it has in the cast Brenda Hauser, Winston-Salem; Miriam Brooks, Lilesville, N. C.; Jo Ann Paskewich, Spring Hope; and Brenda Randall, Shelby.

The final play, a modern comedy, is a take-off on psychoanalysis. Written by the famous author and playwright, Susan Glaspell, "Suppressed Desires" teaches Henrietta, played by Brenda Dula of Hudson, that there are some things worth preserving despite Freud and Jung. The two characters who set Henrietta right, a devotee of morbid psychology, are played by Amanda Wall of Boiling Springs, and by Nelson Schronce of Shelby.

The Evening of One-Act Plays will be given on Thursday evening, April 1, and on Friday evening, April 2—both performances beginning at 8 p.m.

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port social security for him?

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