

THE CRIME BEAT

BY CHARLES R. JONES

52 Virginians To Attend 30th NFA Convention

PETERSBURG, VA. — Thirty-nine students, three young farmers, and ten adults from the Old Dominion will be in attendance at the 30th Annual Convention of New Farmers of America, October 4-8 in Atlanta.

Representatives from Cumberland, Fauquier, Halifax, Loudoun, Lunenburg, Mecklenburg, Northumberland, Nottoway, Pittsylvania and Westmoreland counties, along with adult leaders from the State Board of Education and Virginia State College will comprise the delegation.

Kenneth Woodson of the Nottoway Chapter will serve as first vice-president and candidates for major awards are Leon Oliver and Wallace Wimbush of the Halifax Chapter, Chester Moody and Timothy Shelton of the Loudoun Chapter, Chester Butler of the Rocky Mount Chapter, Robert Brooks of the Northumberland Chapter and Lewis Dixon of the Pittsylvania Chapter.

Dr. M. A. Fields, State Adviser will preside and make the principal statement during the memorial services for the late J. R. Thomas, former State Executive Secretary-Treasurer and National Adviser and Secretary.

The awards ceremony, which will be witnessed by more than 40 F. F. A. Foundation Donor Representatives, is scheduled for the evening session on October 6.

The Administrative Adviser of the Virginia Association is J. M. Campbell, State Supervisor of Vocational Agriculture, and the Executive Secretary-Treasurer is C. E. Jeter, Area Supervisor.

Avoid Neglect, A&T Freshmen Urged By Cleric

GREENSBORO — New students at A&T College were last week urged to accept two important invitations extended to them at the college.

Rev. Cico M. McCoy, director of the A&T Chapel, was the speaker, delivering the sermon at the annual Freshman Worship Service held in Harrison Auditorium.

Speaking from the subject, "You Are Cordially Invited," he told the audience that his sermon could also be called, "The Double Invitation."

"The college," he said, "invites you to pursue diligently a well planned academic program which will assure your graduation in 1968, or before, and urges you, also, to avoid the foolish error of neglecting the spiritual side of your life, which will permit you to become a fully prepared graduate in 1968 . . . a graduate not only fully approved by the officials blessed by our Christian fathers."

Rev. McCoy told the group that unlike some of the invitations which they often receive, involving conflicts which require rejection, "both of these invitations can be accepted," he said.

THE VETERANS CORNER

EDITOR'S NOTE: Below are authoritative answers by the Veterans Administration to some of the many current questions from former servicemen and their families. Further information on veterans benefits may be obtained at any VA office.

Q—Am I still eligible for a . . .

Drive, told Officer John Baker, Sr., at 6:24 p. m. Saturday, he was at 1010 Nassau Street, when an unknown man came in, started a "russ" and said he was going to run everybody in the house away.

He then reportedly struck Hinton with a rake on the left side of his head and neck. The complainant, who was treated at Wake Memorial Hospital for his wounds, declared, "I'd never seen the man before."

BEATEN AND KICKED BY BOYFRIEND
Miss Louise Watkins, 36, of 1041 Walnut Street, told a cop at 9:25 p. m. Monday, she and her boyfriend, George M. Hayward, 37, of 413 1-2 Alison Street, were walking in the 1400 block of Sawyer's Lane "when George got mad 'with me' and assaulted her by knocking her down and kicking her in the stomach. Miss Watkins came to the police station and signed a warrant against Hayward and he was jailed. She suffered abrasions and bruises of the knees and stomach and was treated at the hospital.

SCHOOL ENTERED AS YEAR BEGINS
William Wilson Hurdle, of 122 Lincoln Court, who is principal of the Lucille Hunter Elementary School, 1018 E. Davie Street, reported to Officer J. R. Mums at 1:25 p. m. Monday, that sometime over the weekend, someone entered the gymnasium and went into one of the rooms.

Mr. Hurdle stated the room had been ransacked and one roll of masking tape was stolen. It is suspected the entry was gained by climbing the roof of the lower level and then entering a window on the second level. The curtains on the stage in the auditorium had two small holes burned in them, approximately two inches in diameter.

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RADIO STOLEN WHILE OWNER OUT OF TOWN

Mrs. Florine Williams, of 418 Patterson Lane, told police officers at 12:30 p. m. Wednesday, that someone stole a Philco automatic clock-radio from her home.

The complainant stated the last time she saw her radio was on Friday before she left home at 6 p. m. enroute on a trip out of town. Mrs. Williams stated she locked the house when she left and there was no sign of forcible entry. The radio was valued at \$41.15. Investigation is continuing.

HOUSEWIFE REPORTS ASSAULT

Mrs. Margaret Surles, 26, of 513 S. Wilmington Street, informed Officer Ralph Johnson at 1:46 a. m. Thursday, that Miss Betty Johnson, of the same address, struck her in the face with her hands and fists.

The complainant signed a warrant, charging Miss Johnson with assault and battery and the latter was arrested.

HABBED IN THEFT OF HOSPITAL PROPERTY

Thomas L. Joyner, white official of Rex Hospital, called police headquarters at 2:30 p. m. Thursday and reported that James Arthur Surles, 22, of 513 S. Wilmington Street, had in his possession some property which belonged to Rex.

In checking Surles' car, which was loaded as it is in the process of moving, the cops found five new sheets and five dozen forks. Surles allegedly admitted taking the sheets from the hospital's supply room, but declared he had bought the forks.

The sheets were valued at \$1.75 each. Surles was jailed and charged with larceny. His case is set for a hearing in City Court Friday, October 2.

CHAIVIS CENTER ENTERED

Robert Gales, of 21 Mecklenburg Terrace, told Officer E. W. Rhodes at 8:19 a. m. Thursday, that someone entered the Chavis Heights Recreation Center Wednesday night by removing the screen from a window on the south side of the building, which was broken during a previous break-in and had not been repaired.

The soft drink machine was broken into and a small amount of change taken. He estimated the money inside at about \$2 in small change.

TRIES TO KILL HERSELF

Officer Ralph Johnson reported at 6:05 a. m. Friday, that Mrs. Gladys Walker, 32, of 487 Beattie Street, cut her wrists with a razor blade in an attempt to kill herself.

The woman, who would give no reason for her action, was treated by a physician at Wake Memorial Hospital, but not arrested for the

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MRS. WALKER REPORTS THEFT

Mrs. Gladys Walker, of 487 Beattie Street, came to the police station at 2:30 p. m. Friday and signed a warrant against Miss Bobby Jean Walker for larceny of one dress, valued at \$28; one transfer radio, valued at \$15; and two ladies slugs, valued at \$18.

Mrs. Walker said that Bobby Jean Walker took these things from her home while she was in the hospital.

12 BEER MUGS STOLEN FROM CASINO

Howard G. Thomas, 40, of the 800 block of E. Lenoir Street, informed Officer J. A. Perry at 10:49 p. m. Saturday, that he saw Miss Josephine Austin, of 13 Lincoln Terrace, and Herman White of 15 Nash Terrace, coming out of the front door of the Latin Casino, 534 S. Blountville St., which Thomas owns and operates, with some beer mugs under their coats.

"When they saw me, they started running, and White dropped one of the mugs as he was crossing the street and broke it," stated the complainant.

Mr. Thomas, who said he did not know exactly how many beer mugs they had on them, estimated the number to be one dozen, valued at \$6. He said he would sign warrants against both for larceny.

MONEY STOLEN AS MAN SLEEPS

Clarence McMorris, 40, of 204 E. Lenoir Street, told Officers Norman Artis and James E. (Bobby) Daye at 9:34 a. m. Saturday at the police station that Lonnie Griffin, 53, stole \$6.10 from him while he was asleep. "The money was under my pillow," the complainant stated. The officers were unable to find Griffin, who slept in the same room as McMorris at the time of the theft.

STEALS TIRE, WHEEL FROM CAR

Mrs. Winnie Jane McNeil, 53, of 414 S. Swain Street, informed Officer W. M. Parker, Jr., at 9:42 a. m. Saturday, her 1955 blue Mercury broke down on Western Boulevard about 9:35 a. m. and she left it for a few minutes. "When I got back," Mrs. McNeil stated, "the right front tire and wheel had been stolen." She estimated the value of the tire and wheel at \$65.

DEEP GREEN ROBBED OF FOOD

James Young, 55, of 11 N. Pettigrew Street, told Officer O. C. Pratt at 2:28 a. m. Sunday, someone just the corner in his back door, and entered his deep freezer, which is located on the back porch. Several pounds of frozen food was taken, he declared.

The complainant stated he was awoken until 1 a. m. Sunday and the theft must have taken place after this time. The thief did not enter the house. Value of the stolen food was \$4.90.

CLAIMS MAN BEAT HIM UP

Edgar Bernard Jones, of 916 S. East Street, told Officer L. A. O'Neal at 11:30 p. m. Saturday at police headquarters, that William Noble, address unknown, jumped on him and "beat me up." Jones, who suffered a bruised eye in the assault, signed a warrant, charging assault and battery against Noble.

DIDN'T SEE KNIFE-WIELDER, BUT

Willie Edward Bridges, of Route 2, Raleigh, informed Officer D. Brinson at 10:45 p. m. Saturday, he was assaulted by an unknown man near the Dollar Bill Club, 600

block of E. Davie Street. Bridges was cut with a knife and suffered facial lacerations.

WIFE THREAT OF BEATINGS
Mrs. Rachel Ann Wright, of 516 S. Boundary St., Apt. H, told a cop at 2:25 a. m. Sunday, that she came home and found her husband, Clinton Allenge Wright, drunk. He then proceeded to beat her up, she declared.

The complainant, who stated that each time her mate was drunk, he would assault her, said "I'm just tired of it." She signed a warrant and Mr. Wright was hauled off to jail, charged with assault and battery.

ANOTHER WIFE-BEATER CHARGED

Mrs. Dolores Jeffries, 25, of 532 E. Edenton Street, informed Officer E. V. Pearce at 9:45 p. m. Friday, she went to the store, and upon her return, her husband, Lonnie Jeffries, 30, beat her with his hands and fists.

Mrs. Jeffries signed a warrant for assault and battery.

OUTS MAN ACROSS CHEST, STOMACH

Police Officer Bobby B. Coats arrested Linwood Ratliff, 36, on a charge of assault with a deadly weapon, after Leroy Lassiter, 42, of 1541 Bakery Drive, signed a warrant against him at 10:16 p. m. Sunday.

Ratliff, of 807 E. Edenton St., allegedly cut Lassiter across his chest and on the side of the stomach with a small pocket knife. He was treated and released at Wake Memorial Hospital.

MAN SHOOTS, TWO RUN

Rudolph Mickens, of 702 1-3 S. West Street, told a cop at 1:40 p. m. Sunday, that Gergy McArthur, of 516 S. Saunders Street, and himself were on Carroll's Alley in front of the first house on the left, off South Street, when Miller Griffin came outside and told them to leave.

Griffin is then alleged to have re-entered his house and came out with a shotgun, which he fired. Mickens and McArthur ran as the shots were fired, but neither was hit.

A warrant was signed, charging Griffin with assault with a deadly weapon.

WOULD-BE PEACEMAKER ATTACKED

Jasper Whitfield, 55, of 1443 Sawyer's Lane, informed Officer C. R. Kirby at 8:30 p. m. Friday, Edward Scott, 30, of the same address, and Scott's mother were arguing.

When Mr. Whitfield attempted to intervene, he stated, young Scott hurled a brick, striking Whitfield and causing a laceration.

The cop signed a warrant against Scott and he was placed in Wake County Jail.

BEATEN AT GIRLFRIEND'S HOUSE

While Shields, 32, of 619 E. Hargett Street, reported to Officer O. C. Pratt at 3 p. m. Sunday, that he was at his girlfriend's house Saturday when Billy Hill, about 30, address unknown, said he didn't like his looks, then hit him several times on the head and face with his hands and fists.

Shields, who stated he was beaten up "somewhere on W. South Street," told the officer he would sign a warrant against Hill for assault and battery.

ATTACKED WITH RAKE

Richard Hinton, 46, of 706 Jamal-

GI loan?

A—All Korean veterans are and some World War II veterans still are. You should write to the VA Regional Office of the state where you live and request VA Form 1880. A determination will be made after you submit this form.

Q—I was discharged from service over one year ago. Can I get dental care from the VAF? A—Only if your dental condition

is compensable, or is due to injury in service, or related to being a prisoner of war, or aggravates a service-connected compensable condition, or if you are under the VA Vocational Rehabilitation program. Spanish American War Veterans can get dental care whenever needed.

Q—My service-connected disabilities have gotten worse. Can my compensation be in-

creased? A—Send a statement from your doctor to the VA and request reconsideration of your claim.

I OFTEN WISH I had a lot of rich and aged relatives who were fond of me.

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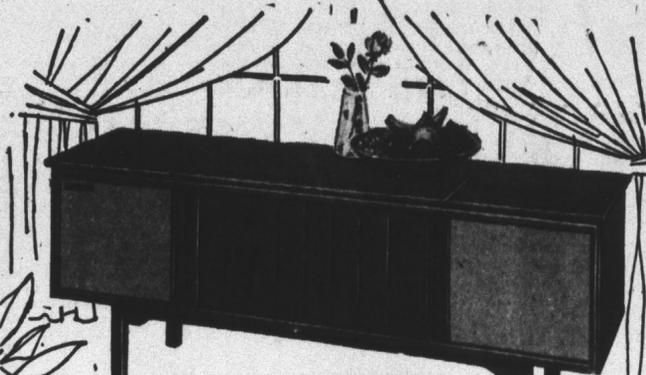
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