

John Coffey Is Slain; Horse Show Will Be Held Saturday

Murder Charge Lodged

Lenoir—A young Caldwell County Marine, Ernest P. Penley Jr., 19, of Lenoir, Rt. 6, was charged with first-degree murder Saturday in the shooting of John T. Coffey, 35, of Lenoir, a native Watauga County man, Coffey was shot just after midnight with a 20-gauge shotgun.

Captain Ralph Fowler and Deputy Dallas Cheek of the Caldwell County Sheriff's Department said the shooting was in the yard of Penley's parents' home, about four miles from Lenoir.

Coffey was shot at close range, and the blast hit him in the chest.

Fowler said Penley told him he was in the kitchen playing cards with his parents and two brothers when Coffey and two other men, identified as Jim Anderson and Quincy Payne, came to the house.

The three had been drinking

and were asked several times by Penley's father to leave, Fowler said. Finally, Fowler said, the younger Penley got up and told the men to leave, pushed them out the door and went outside to try to get them to leave the premises.

Penley's father thinking there was a fight, brought out a shotgun and his son took it, Fowler said. Penley said he fired one shot into the air in an attempt to scare the men away, Fowler said. Fowler said Penley told him he hit Payne on the shoulder with the gun butt and ran back several feet, and that Coffey was shot as the men advanced toward Penley.

Fowler said Penley apparently became involved because of remarks the men were making about his mother.

in Watauga County. Rev. Lynn Powers, Rev. Will Cook and Rev. Raymond Hendrix officiated. Burial was in Brown Chapel Cemetery.

ASC Farmer-Committeemen To Be Named

(continued from page one) Bill Harmon, Ollus Mast, John Presnell, R. V. Presnell and Ben Tester.

Meat Camp: Willard Norris, James L. Penley, Kermit Proffitt, Blaine Stanberry, Bynum Townsend and Walter Winebarger.

New River: Collis Austin, H. E. Brookshire, Grady Brown, John F. Cook, Edward S. Critcher, Fred Critcher, Vance Keller and G. E. Miller.

North Fork: Willie Laing, Claude May, Mack Thomas, Argus Wallace and J. D. Wilson, Loyd Miller.

Shawneehaw: Will Byrd, J. B. Christenbury, Clyde J. Eggers, Richard L. Farthing, Russell Farthing, Iris Harmon, W. C. Smith, Alvin Storie and William Townsend.

Stony Fork: J. L. Coffey, Sr., Gerald Cook, Doc Cook, Doc Cox, W. B. Day, Don Hayes, Bruce Norris and W. H. Stanberry.

Watauga: H. O. Aldridge, Spencer Aldridge, Don Cook, Claude Garland, Robert Greene, Arlie B. Hodges, Jeff Shook and Denver Taylor.

(continued from page one) canter—Judging performance, conformation, and manners. Horses shown in 3-gaited class not eligible. 5 ribbons.

20. SENIOR PLEASURE—Rider 19 and over, showing walk, pleasure gait (other than canter) and canter. Judging format follows Class No. 9, 5 ribbons.

21. POLE BENDING—Knock-downs constitute disqualification in this timed event. 5 ribbons.

22. CHAMPIONSHIP WALKING HORSES—Showing flatfoot (20%), running walk (40%), canter (20%). Conformation 20%. Horses must be shown and judged in a prior class in the show for eligibility. 5 ribbons.

23. CHAMPIONSHIP WESTERN PLEASURE—Format follows Class No. 7. Individual workouts may be required by Judge. 5 ribbons.

24. CHAMPIONSHIP BARREL RACE—Over AGHA-approved course. 5 ribbons.

25. JUNIOR PLEASURE—Rider 18 or under, showing according to format in Class 20, 5 ribbons.

26. REINING CONTEST—All horses must be shown with a bit (horses 4 and under with bit or braided bosal at exhibitor's discretion). No iron, regardless of how padded or taped, will be allowed under the jaws. Chain curbs and leather curbs must lie flat, being at least one-half inch wide and meeting the judge's approval. Showing at judge's request. 5 ribbons.

27. PICK-UP RACE—Rider crosses time line, picks up partner behind barrel at far

end of ring. Both must be mounted when they cross the line on return. 5 ribbons.

28. BOYS 3-GAITED—Format follows Class No. 3, 5 ribbons.

29. CHAMPIONSHIP 5-GAITED—Format follows Class No. 15, 5 ribbons, Championship

Judge for the event will be the Hon. J. E. Wilson, of Marion, N. C.; Show Manager, Hiram Brooks of Vilas; Ringmaster, Billy Henson; Traffic and Gate Warden, J. S. Snyder; Announce-

ments Committee, Stanley Harris Jr., chairman; Show Secretaries, Mrs. Lena Brooks, Mrs. Susie Henson, Rachel Rivers; Promotion Committee; Sandy Mains, chairman.

The Cove Creek Show Ground is located at Junction U.S. 421 and Vanderpool Road, six miles west of Boone, N. C.

Admission \$1—Children under 12 free.

Concessions on the ground will be handled by Lonnie Isaacs. Raindate: Saturday, Sept. 16, 1967.

Mrs. Edna D. Cline

Mrs. Edna Davis Cline, 57 of Hickory, North Carolina, wife of C. L. Cline, died Tuesday, August 29 at Hickory Memorial Hospital after a heart attack.

She was born in Watauga County to Will S. and Inez Ragan Davis.

Surviving are her husband; a son, William P. Cline of Hickory; two stepdaughters, Mrs. Robert Huffman of Hickory and Mrs. B. P. Bristow of Norfolk, Virginia; one stepson, Adrian Cline of Florida; two brothers, Ted E. Davis of Guilford College and Ron Davis of Todd, North Carolina.

The funeral was held at 2 p. m. Thursday at Highland Methodist Church in Hickory by the pastor, Rev. Clyde Collins. Burial was in the Oakwood Cemetery in Statesville.

Dennis E. Anderson

Dennis Edgar Anderson, age 28, of Boone, died Monday.

Surviving are the parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Anderson of Route 3, Boone; the widow, Pat B. Anderson of Boone; one son, Krisalan of Boone and one sister, Mrs. Betty Aldridge of Blowing Rock.

The funeral will be held at 2 p. m. today at the Brushy Fork Baptist Church with the Rev. Ed Crump and Rev. A. C. Moody officiating. Burial will be in the Mt. Lawn Cemetery.

Hagaman Infant

Nancy Elizabeth Hagaman, infant daughter of Cecil and Mary Shore Hagaman, died Saturday in a Winston-Salem hospital.

Surviving in addition to the parents are the grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Max Hagaman of Zionville and Mr. and Mrs. V. C. Shore of Boone.

Services were held Monday at 2 p. m. at Union Baptist Church.

The Rev. Barney Oliver and the Rev. Herbert McCoy officiated. Burial was in the church cemetery.

Mrs. Cora Townsend

Mrs. Cora Victoria Townsend, 75, of Banner Elk, Rt. 1, wife of Luther Townsend, died Tuesday at Watauga County Hospital.

She was born in Watauga County to James and Holly Harmon.

Surviving are her husband; three sons, Tommy Townsend of Valle Crucis, Nellis Townsend of Boone, Rt. 3, and Fred Townsend of Johnson City, Tenn.; a daughter, Mrs. Mae Duncan of Hudson; four brothers, Sylvania Harmon of Wilkesboro, Adolphus Harmon of Banner Elk, Poley Harmon of Chuckey, Tenn., and Sidney Harmon of Lenoir; and five sisters, Mrs. Ollie Bell Townsend and Mrs. Edna Byrd of Banner Elk, Mrs. Minnie Young of Elon College, Mrs. Loria Berry of Lenoir and Mrs. Nora Mitchell of Valle Crucis; 13 grandchildren and 8 great-grandchildren.

The funeral was held at 2 p. m. Thursday at Holy Communion Lutheran Church. Officiating was the Rev. Larry D. Campbell. Burial was in the church cemetery.

District Governor Will Visit Boone Rotary Club

(continued from page one) regular meeting period, he will address the club, covering many of the avenues of Service that Rotary performs in communities and areas throughout the world.

Even though Semaschko served his club and district in many capacities and offices, he was, along with all other governors of Rotary International, required to take intensive training at a nine-day Assembly held this past May at Lake Placid in New York state. One of the District Governor's major tasks will be arranging and conducting a

three-day District Conference. The date has been scheduled for and will be held in the Grove Park Inn in Asheville, North Carolina.

Governor Semaschko was born in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, and he received his education there as well as in Chicago, Illinois; New York City; and Boston, Massachusetts.

During World War II, he served overseas as a combat infantry officer. He was twice awarded the Bronze Star Medal for valor, Purple Heart and Army Commendation ribbon among other decorations. Immediately after the war, he received an appointment as a Foreign Service Staff Officer in the United States Department of State. He served as Senior Resident Officer and Officer in charge of Field Operations in Germany. After completing his assignment, he returned to civilian life as an advertising and marketing director for national firms before opening his own advertising agency in 1963. Semaschko is active in the

First Methodist Church, Hendersonville, N. C. He served as lay speaker, chairman of the Finance committee, member of official board and Sunday School teacher. A Mason. He is a founding member and served on the Board of Directors of the YMCA, Past President of the Hendersonville American Field Service Chapter. Serving as Director and past president of the Greater Hendersonville Chamber of Commerce, Member of Art League, VFW, Elks, AMA, and NC Travel Council. Governor "Nick" is listed in Marquis' Who's Who in the South and Southeast.

He is married to the former Ruth Turner of Waynesville, N. C.; and they have one daughter, Anne.

LBJ URGES FARM AID

President Johnson has revealed a new farm policy. He said he thinks "the farmers are on the short end of the stick" and should have the right to bargain collectively for better prices for their products.

Letter To The Editor

Finds Phillipines Friendly, Hospitable

Dear Mr. Rivers:

It took a long time but two copies of the Democrat reached us today—the July 6, 13 issues. Glad to learn about activities back home. The new University sounds good.

My wife and I left Boone July 5 for a 6 months assignment through the International Executive Service Corps of New York to assist a company in the outskirts of Manila to get into the air conditioning business. The work has gone well so far and we have a unit in the final stages of design.

We like the Phillipines. People are friendly and hospitable. The company personnel have been very cooperative. Progress has been fast.

Phillipine economy is hamstrung with a lot of hurdles. Low wages, untrained people, lack of willingness to take risks, governmental regulations, poor roads and many other factors contributed to underdevelopment. The population growth exceeds that of the gross national product. Agriculture has been

slipping with respect to needs, yet the present national administration is pushing through land reforms and business incentives which should accelerate the pace of progress.

Makati is a new suburb of Manila which is rapidly becoming the most concentrated and leading business district in the metropolitan area. Started about 1950 it has a many 12 to 14 story office and industrial buildings that are modern and beautiful. We live across the street from a large modern shopping center with a supermarket that is equivalent to any we have seen. Our apartment building is a 10-story structure with around 100 apartments ranging from 1 to 4 bedrooms.

Drives into the country take us into hill and mountain districts that remind us of the Blue Ridge. The coconut groves south of here are impressive. Rice paddies surround Manila except on the bay side. Still we will be glad to return to Boone and hope to make it by Christmas.

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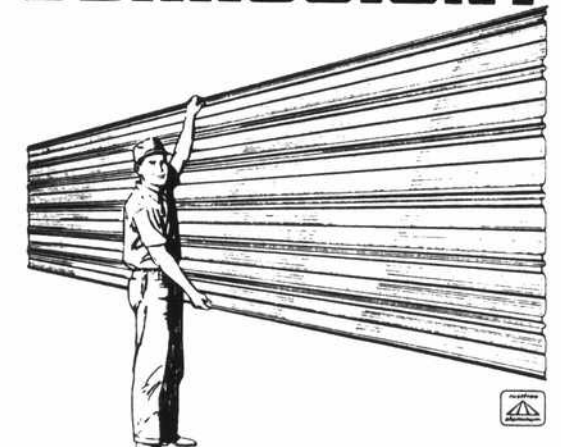
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