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MURDER TRIAL STILL IN PROGRESS

Testimony continues into the second week in the murder trial of Henry Lee Hunt, 44, Elwell "Babe" Barnes, 54, and Exonic "A.R." Barnes, 61. The three are charged with murder and conspiracy to commit murder in connection with the deaths of Larry Jones, 36, and Jackie Ransom, 39. The trial is being held in Robeson County Superior Court.

According to testimony Monday, Hunt admitted to Jim Delton Freeman, his son-in-law, that he was involved in the murders.

Freeman testified that Hunt nodded affirmatively when he asked him whether Hunt had "killed any of these people."

Freeman also testified that Hunt gave him a .25 caliber pistol and a shotgun on Sept. 30, the day before Hunt went to prison on drug charges.

District Attorney Joe Freeman Britt is trying to prove that Hunt and the two other Robeson County men used the

pistol to kill Jones, and Ransom.

Britt is seeking the death penalty for all three.

The prosecution claims that Rogers Locklear, 48, and his wife, Dorothy P. Ransom, 37, both of Lumberton, hired the men to kill Ransom for insurance money. Jones was killed because he was talking with authorities about the murders, Britt alleges.

Locklear and Mrs. Ransom also are charged with murder and conspiracy to murder and will be tried later.

According to testimony, Mrs. Ransom was married to Locklear and Ransom at the same time. Locklear has testified for the prosecution.

Freeman testified that he later sold the gun. The gun was recovered by law enforcement officials after passing through a number of hands.

To date, more than 40 witnesses have appeared. The trial is expected to possibly last another week.

Voters Approve \$16 Million Robeson Water Bonds

In probably the worst voter turnout in history, the Robeson County electorate (or 3.7% of them) approved the sale of \$16 million in bonds to finance the third phase of a county-wide water project.

First, the good news. According to county manager, James Martin, user fees will

eventually retire the \$16 million bond debt. The bad news is that only 3.7% of the voters turned out to exercise their right to vote.

The third and final phase of the county's ambitious water bond project will provide water to another 12,500 residents. When completed,

county water will be available to about 55,000 residents or 90% of those not served by city water systems.

Election officials attributed the lower than usual voter turnout to apathy, a lack of interest, and an unawareness of the referendum.

Pembroke Jaycees 12th Annual Christmas Parade

On a cold, foggy, misty morning on Friday, December 6th, 1985, the Pembroke Jaycees, Town of Pembroke and the Pembroke Chamber of Commerce held their 12th Annual Christmas Parade.

Kids of all ages and adults turned out Friday despite cold temperatures to see the Pembroke Christmas Parade. There were over 5,000 spectators lined up on both sides all the way from the Performing Arts Center to the LRDA Building according to Gregory Cummings, Chairperson. There were over 100 units

in the parade, beauty queens, including Miss North Carolina, Joni Parker, Christmas floats, bands, marching units, and of course none other than Jolly Old Saint Nick himself "Santa Claus." With his sleigh and reindeers, throwing out candy to the crowd.

The following entries were judged in these categories:

1. Non-Commercial Floats, 1st place-New Prospect Church, 2nd place-Union Elementary School, 3rd place-Pembroke Elementary.
2. Bands, 1st place-South Robeson, 1st place-elementary band-Prospect School.

ROTC Marching Unit-1st place West Robeson High School.

On behalf of the Pembroke Jaycees, the Town and Chamber of Commerce, we would like to thank the county and the community for their support in making the parade a success. Also a special thanks to the committee, Police Depts., Fire Depts. and the Rescue Squad for security and safety.

Have a safe and Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

West Robeson Now Fully Accredited By Southern Association of Colleges and Schools



West Robeson Senior High School has officially received its own accreditation by Southern Association of Colleges and Schools. The official Certificate of Accreditation was presented to Roy Maynor, Jr., Co-Principal for Instruction, by William L. Peedin, Jr., Chairman of the

North Carolina Secondary Committee. The presentation was made at the 1985 SACS Conference in New Orleans on December 2, 1985.

West Robeson Senior High had been recognized as having interim accreditation that transferred from Pembroke Senior High with consolidat-

ion. This interim status was good for two years. The faculty, staff and administration under the leadership of Mr. Bobby Dean Locklear have worked many hours to complete a Self-Study of the total school and its program since the fall of 1983.

The entire West Robeson Community can be especially proud of this achievement. Accreditation by SACS means that our school meets certain standards that are characteristic of a good school.

The Co-Principals, Russ Cotton and Roy Maynor, express a belated and most deserving thank-you to students, parents, staff, faculty and others who gave time and effort to this worthwhile endeavor.

WALKING

Walking is one of the most pleasant forms of exercise. This time can be spent alone when you just want to think, daydream or enjoy nature's beauty, or it can be shared with family members or friends.

LRDA ELECTION RETURNS TWO INCUMBANTS AND TWO NEWCOMERS

Voters in the Smiths-Maxton District returned Emma Lee Locklear to her position as representative on the Board of Directors of LRDA on Thursday, December 6, 1985. Ms. Locklear overcame challenger Dexter E. Locklear with 426 votes to Mr. Locklear's 254. Mrs. Locklear was re-elected to her third term on that board.

James Sampson, Jr. who represents Gaddys, Rowland and Alfordville, received 50 votes although he was unopposed.

Mrs. Dorothy Lowery of Pembroke was elected to represent Pembroke & Union District with 511 votes. Jimmy Ray Hunt polled 333 votes. The two of them were seeking the seek vacated by Henry W. Oxendine who chose not to seek re-election.

Incumbant Mary Lois Locklear who has represented St. Pauls, Rennert, Parkton, Shannon and Lumber Bridge was defeated in her bid for re-election by Jimmy McNeill. Mr. McNeill received 173 votes while Mrs. Locklear received 140.



Jimmy McNeill

Mr. McNeill is the son of Mrs. Margie McNeill of the Saddletree community and

the late Rev. Chesley McNeill, former pastor of Riverside Independent Baptist Church.

Mr. McNeill is married to LaRuth Ivey McNeill and they reside at Route 1, Shannon with their three children, ages 12, 7 and 2.

Mr. McNeill is employed by Lumbee River Electric Membership Corporation where he has served as a linesman for the past six years.



Following the Annual Christmas Parade in Pembroke, the First Union National Bank in Pembroke sponsored a reception for the three queens who participated. They are shown left to

right: Donna Ballard of Lumberton, Miss PSU; Joni Parker of Fayetteville the reigning Miss North Carolina; and Brenda Lowry of Pembroke who is the reigning Miss Lumberton. Frank H.

Daughtrey, Executive of the Pembroke Branch of FUMB expressed his appreciation to the "gracious queens" who graced the bank with beauty and poise.

Recognized for Volunteer Work

On Thursday, November 7, 1985 at 2 p.m. Governor and Mrs. James G. Martin honored outstanding volunteers from across the state at a reception held at the Executive Mansion in Raleigh, NC. Each volunteer was presented a certificate and a pin.

Helen M. Jones was selected by a local county committee to receive this well deserved recognition for service rendered to her county and state.

On November 23, 1985 at 6 p.m. at the Farm-City Week banquet held at the Dixie Gunns Facility in Lumberton, Ms. Jones also received the Individual Human Service Award by the Robeson County Rural Development Panel.



Receives Incentive Award

Mrs. Mary P. Teets, Principal of Hargrave School, is the recipient of a Child Safety Incentive Award. The grant awarded in the amount of \$500.00 is funded by the National Highway Traffic

school principals throughout the United States.

Mrs. Teets' project titled is "Hargrave Students... Growing Up... Buckled Up..." and is designed to promote

awareness of car occupant protection (seat belts, child-passenger safety seats, and automatic protective devices) among elementary students, parents and staff.

Safety Administration in cooperation with the National Association of Elementary School Principals and was awarded to 25 elementary



Mary P. Teets

The Native American Student Organization of Pembroke State University presents a \$25 check to Bruce Barton for PSU's Lumbee Scholarship Endowment Fund

which Barton initiated. Ed Chavis (shown at the left shaking hands with Barton) makes the presentation. Chavis is president of the PSU Native American Student Or-

ganization. Linda Oxendine, director of PSU's Native American Resource Center and advisor to the student organization, is shown at the right.

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