

# WEATHER

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## Officers Submit Case To Judge

### Testimony Heard From Several Witnesses Today

The trial of two Dunn police officers charged with a brutal assault on a prisoner neared a finish in Harnett Superior Court today but the term was adjourned at noon when Judge Henry L. Stevens was called home because of the illness of his father-in-law.

The defendants are Corporal Francis Hall and Garland L. Stone, who are charged with assault with a deadly weapon and inflicting bodily injuries on W. R. (Turk) Lewis, young Dunn war veteran who claims he was permanently injured by the attack made on him by the two officers.

Evidence for the State had been completed and two witnesses for the defense had testified when court recessed for lunch. Judge Stevens was called home and adjourned trial of the case until Monday morning.

In a surprise move this morning, Defense Attorney Neill McK. Salmon offered to submit the case to Judge Stevens without a jury and the court agreed.

Chief Defense Counsel Everett L. Doffernyre said this was the same as a plea of nolo contendere, which means they will not contest the charges.

Mr. Salmon pointed out that because of the legal technicalities involved, he thought Judge Stevens, with his knowledge of how officers should conduct themselves, would be better qualified to judge the innocence or guilt of the two policemen than jurors.

**EVIDENCE NOT CONTESTED** Some interpreted this move as almost a submission. In cross-examination, the defense counsel did not vigorously contest the evidence concerning the alleged assault but pictured Lewis as a constant trouble maker for the police department.

Mr. Salmon told the court that at the end of testimony his clients would agree to any sort of plea directed by the court. If the judge did not believe a verdict of not guilty should be directed.

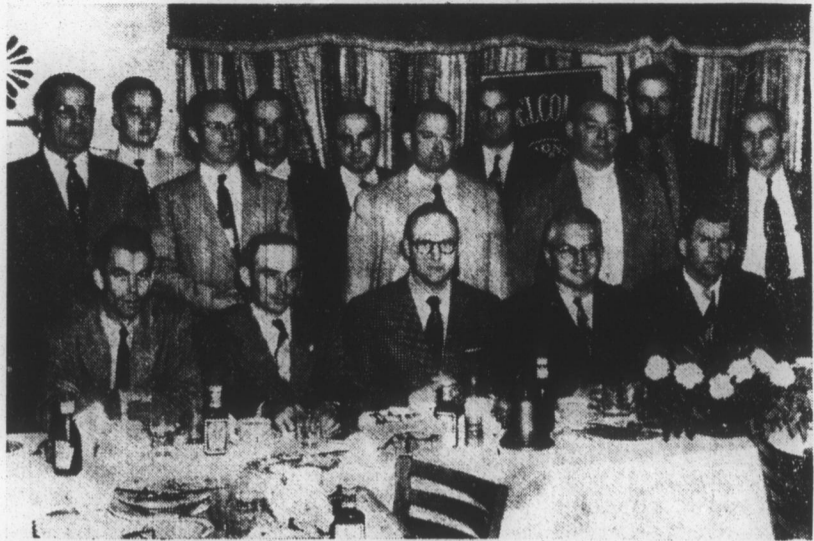
**TRIAL MOVED RAPIDLY** The trial moved rapidly this morning as Judge Stevens ordered the lawyers to cut out everything except the essential evidence and cross-examination.

Hall and Stone sat in their civilian clothes wearing a serious expression throughout the trial, watching the proceedings closely. At the preliminary hearing, they wore their uniform and guns.

They were flanked by a battery of expensive legal talent, consisting of Chief Counsel Everett L. Doffernyre, Mr. Salmon, Glenn L. Hooper, Jr., and City Attorney I. R. Williams.

Chief Prosecutor Duncan C. Wilcox (Continued on page two)

**MRS. BENNETT DIES** Mrs. Martha A. Bennett, 85, died suddenly this morning at the home of her son, Grady F. Bennett in Dunn. Funeral services are incomplete pending word from her grandson in the Air Force.



**DUNN LIONS HOST TO DISTRICT** — The Dunn Lions Club last night was host at a district meeting held at Johnson's Restaurant. Speaker for the occasion was Jack Wardlaw, seated second from right, prominent Raleigh insurance executive. Pictured here are, left to right, seated: J. E. Davis, Sanford, district governor; Slon H. Kelly, Broadway; President J. N. Stephenson of the Dunn club, and Lynwood Harris of Erwin; standing, A. J. Harrington of Sanford, J. E. Black, Jr. of Dunn, S. W. Shaw of Broadway; M. L. Snipes of Sanford; Ray Wood of Sanford, Charlie Adams of Angier, Z. E. Matthews of Erwin; N. W. Keith of Sanford, Roy Adams of Angier, and Curtis Ennis of Dunn. (Daily Record Photo by Ed Welborn).

### District Legion Meeting Held Here Last Night

Delegates from Broadway, Lillington, Coats Buies Creek and Dunn were present last night at the District Meeting of the American Legion at Johnson's Restaurant, with the local Post as hosts.

Jim Caldwell, head of the North Carolina Veteran's Commission and Nash McKee, State Adjutant were the principal speakers. Caldwell's assistant, Bert Edmondson and C. E. Jones of Pittsboro, District Commander were also present. District Vice-Commander Kie Hudson of Dunn presided.

Caldwell emphasized the close way in which all of the veteran's organizations in the state have been working together on projects for the welfare of the veterans.

**PRAISES AUXILIARY** He related the important part that the Legion had played in veteran's affairs since its organization in 1919 and pointed out the remarkable growth of the organization. He paid tribute to the aid the Legion has received from the Auxiliary in its projects.

Major Roy A. Brown was in charge of the ceremonies in observance of Armistice Day. The Dunn Post voted to also hold observances in commemoration of V-E and V-J Day on these holidays. Major Brown asked each World War I veteran to rise and tell where he was on that first Armistice Day.

### Local Jurors Convict Man

A 38-year-old Dunn man charged with public drunkenness, resisting arrest and slashing up five mattresses in Dunn's city jail was given a suspended sentence by City Judge H. Paul Strickland after his conviction by a jury in Dunn Recorder's Court this morning.

It was the second jury trial and the second conviction by a jury here since Judge Strickland tried unsuccessfully to have jury trials in the Dunn court abolished.

The defendant, Joseph J. Moore, a farmer, was arrested here Saturday by Policeman Aaron Johnson, who testified that he had two deputized civilians, Wesley Coats and Bill Tew, to assist him.

**FOUGHT ALL THE WAY** The officers testified that Moore fought him all the way from the First Citizens Bank building to the (Continued On Page Four)

### Wardlaw Addresses Local Lions Meet

"Think before you act" was the theme of the address by Jack Wardlaw, before the Dunn Lions Club at its regular meeting at Johnson's Restaurant last night.

Mr. Wardlaw, prominent Raleigh insurance executive, is one of North Carolina's best known insurance men. He is a life member of the Million-Dollar-Round-Table, an exclusive organization for insurance agents who sell a million dollars worth of life insurance a year.

### Vet, Showgirl Take Gay \$50,000 Spree

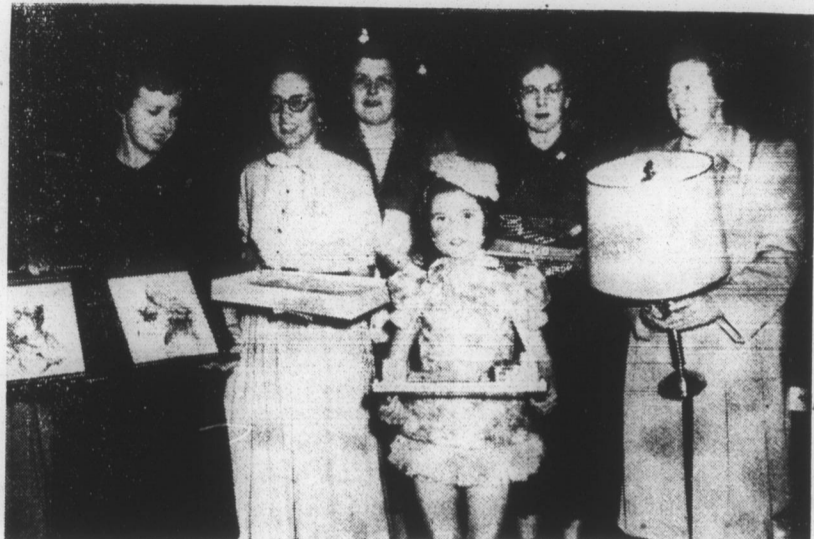
SAN ANTONIO, Tex. Federal authorities searched today for an "impotent war veteran" who, they said, struck up a platonic friendship with a six-foot, two-inch showgirl and took her on a \$50,000 spending spree.

The girl, who identified herself as Patricia Johnson, 22, was questioned yesterday and \$2,100 in crisp new currency was confiscated. FBI agent Fred McIntire said serial numbers showed the money was part of \$38,000 embezzled from the U. S. Navy.

### BULLETINS

**WASHINGTON** (AP) — Economic Stabilizer Roger L. Putnam will hold a public hearing Monday on the size of a wage increase to be approved for John L. Lewis' United Mine Workers.

**LONDON** (AP) — Britain's Bonnie Prince Charlie, celebrating his fourth birthday, stood excitedly in a Buckingham Palace window today while the band of his mother's Grenadier Guards played a special program for him. (Continued on page two)



**AT CARD BENEFIT** — Some of the members of the Junior Woman's Club are shown here with an array of lovely prizes which were given away last night at the benefit sponsored by the club. Little Miss Pat Walker, a daughter of one of the members, was a most attractive cigarette girl and went among the players selling cigarettes and candy. Shown back of her are left to right Mrs. Ted Burwell, president of the club this year, Mrs. Mac Watson, chairman of the Ways and Means committee, Mrs. W. B. Dudley, Mrs. Roy Lowe, and Mrs. Ed Welborn.

### Cameron Given 3-5 Years

Roy Cameron, 25-year-old convicted Harnett bootlegger, was given another three to five years in prison today for setting fire to the home of a neighbor who allegedly reported his whiskey still to officers.

A jury convicted him this morning after nearly four hours or more of deliberation, but coupled with its verdict a recommendation for mercy.

Presiding Judge Henry L. Stevens of Warsaw immediately passed sentence, praising the jurors for their verdict.

Judge Stevens observed that Cameron "just let whiskey ruin him."

There was evidence that he was intoxicated at the time of the crime.

Cameron already is serving a road sentence for operating a whiskey distillery in his kitchen. He was returned from the roads for trial.

The defendant, who has a long criminal record, offered no defense. He was represented by State Senator J. Robert Young, Archie Taylor and W. A. Johnson.

Attorney Neill McK. Salmon assisted Solicitor Jack Hooks with the prosecution.

The jurors found Cameron (Continued On Page Five)

### 5 Killed, 31 Injured In Crash Of Vessels

NORFOLK, Va. (AP) — An oil tanker gashed a hole in sleeping quarters of a Navy attack transport loaded with troops preparing for a mock invasion of the Virginia coast early today, killing at least five and injuring 31.

The five men killed were members of an intelligence reconnaissance platoon scheduled to go in ahead of the first wave of troops to hit the beaches 20 miles east of Norfolk at daybreak. Eight of the soldiers and sailors injured were seriously hurt.

Water poured into a compartment occupied by sleeping members of the 41man Army unit aboard the USS Ruchamkin.

One man said "I was half thrown and half jumped from my bunk. I landed in a pool of oil." (Continued on Page Eight)

### Mother, 8 Children Suffocate In Fire

WESTPORT, MASS. (AP) — A 44-year-old mother and eight of her children suffocated early today when a kitchen fire filled their two-story house with dense smoke before firemen could put it out.

Mrs. Mary Audet and four of the children died in their beds. The bodies of four other children were found on the floor, indicating they had tried to escape.

The children were identified as Genevieve, 17; Natalie, 14; Shirley, 12; Madeline, 10; Eleanor, 9; Veronica, 7; Francis, 5 and Geraldine, 3.

Medical Examiner Thomas E. Boylan of Fall River said none of the victims was burned and all suffocated.

**STARTED IN TRASH** Fire Chief Charles Gifford said the blaze apparently started in a trash barrel near a kitchen oil range. A fuel tank behind the stove was found intact after the fire, which scorched the entire first floor but did little damage upstairs where the family died.

The heat was so intense it twisted the metal door of a refrigerator. Alladin Audet, father of the family, and his teen-age son Daniel were at work on the night shift at a nearby Fall River textile mill at the time of the fire. They were called immediately to the scene.

Each silently surveyed the scene of the holocaust.

Besides Daniel and his father, only one member of the family remains. She is a married daughter, Mrs. Dolores Massa of Fall River.

**TOURIST GROUP HIRES ATTORNEY** Members of the Dunn Tourist Bureau, at a meeting held yesterday at Johnson's Restaurant, were assured that no further action on the relocation of Highway 301 would be taken until the new administration takes over.

The group is planning to retain attorney I. R. Williams of Dunn to keep them informed of developments with regard to the relocation of this vital tourist highway.

President Howard Hodges presided at the meeting and the discussion of the problem was general among all the members present.

**AT CHURCH CONVENTION** Rev. and Mrs. E. C. Keller attended the Baptist state convention in Winston-Salem Tuesday and Wednesday.

### Stephenson Returned To Pen

### Smith's Committee To Continue Probe

NEW YORK (AP) — The Senate internal security subcommittee promised no let-up today in its investigation of American employees in the United Nations despite protests over the suicide leap of the U. N.'s top legal adviser. Three members of the subcommittee said they "fully intend" to continue their investigation of possible Communist influence among American employees of the U. N. Abraham H. Feller, 47, general counsel and acting assistant secretary-general for legal affairs in the U. N., leaped to his death Thursday from his 12th floor apartment in Manhattan. His friends and associates in the U. N. blamed his death on a nervous breakdown caused by the subcommittee's attacks on loyalty of U. N. personnel.

Secretary General Trygve Lie said Feller had been under "a prolonged and serious strain" in trying to uphold due process of law against "indiscriminate smears and exaggerated charges."

Lie's remarks were denounced as "irresponsible" by three members of the internal security subcommittee in a statement issued through the subcommittee's special counsel, Robert Morris.

**GIVE ARROGANCE** "Although the investigation is barely under way we have seen a parade of United Nations officials refuse to deny membership (Continued on Page Eight)

### Judge Bears Down On Visitor Here

A transient crop worker drew a 90 day sentence from Judge H. Paul Strickland in City Court yesterday for "cussing" out his sister-in-law and attacking her with a knife.

The man, James Walter Williams, told the court that the affray was a sort of free-for-all, and that knives, clubs and other weapons were used. He was charged with assault and profanity. No previous court record was established.

He told the court that he had never done any time on the roads, to which the judge replied, "You've got some now," as he gave him the 90 days. Ordinarily, first-offenders are given another chance in the local court. Road sentences in the Dunn court are unusual.

Court was held under some difficulty due to the renovation currently underway in the courtroom. Court convened in the fire station, the trucks having been moved outside. The only seats were a few chairs requisitioned from the clerk's office and police station. Most of the witnesses and spectators were forced to stand.

**NON-SUPPORT CASE** Ero Pope, widower, drew the court's censure, for his failure to provide for his five minor children. The younger children have been cared for by his oldest daughter, whom the judge said should have been in school instead.

Miss Frances Worrell, case worker for the Welfare Department, told the court that the defendant had refused to give the welfare authority (Continued on Page Two)

### Dunn Poultry Firm Observes Birthday

After one year of operation the G. and W. Poultry processing plant has expanded so rapidly that its current output is now nearly ten times the amount it was at the start.

Starting with a weekly output of 800 fryers and 40 hens, it is now processing weekly about 3,500 fryers and more than 400 hens. The success of the venture is due in large measure, to the care exercised in the handling of poultry.

Since opening the plant has added a huge storage box and the machinery for converting distilled water into ice. "Making our own ice assures us of the best ice for our product," Charles Wade, Manager of the plant points out. "Then too," he added, "we are sure of all the ice we need when we need it."

The plant has also recently opened up a retail outlet in response to continued requests from customers for this type of service. They plan to stock white Beltshire turkeys for the Thanksgiving holiday.

**NOW HAS 14 EMPLOYEES** The plant now has a total of fourteen employees, ten more than (Continued on page two)

MR. CHARLES WADE

### MARKETS

**EGGS AND POULTRY** RALEIGH (AP) — Central North Carolina live poultry: Fryers or broilers firm, supplies generally short, demand good; heavy hens steady, supplies plentiful, demand fair. Prices at farm up to 10 a.m. today: Fryers or broilers@ 2 1/2-3 pounds 30; heavy hens 22-25, mostly 23-24.

Eggs steady to three cents higher, receipts about adequate for fair to good demand. Prices paid local grading stations: A large 62, A (Continued On Page Four)