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Hunting Accident Kills Lillington High School Student

Harnett County's first fatality of the 1952 hunting season occurred late Monday afternoon near Lillington when Barton Clack, 17-year-old ninth grade student in Lillington High School was accidentally shot to death by his 14-year-old hunting companion, Joe Biggs.



BARTON CLACK

A jury impaneled by Harnett County Judge W. C. Harris ruled the shooting was accidental and Biggs was absolved of blame.

Clack was shot one time through the neck and died from loss of blood.

Biggs told the jury that he and Clack, a longtime friend, had just finished hunting and had started in when they started playing with their guns.

He said Clack pointed his gun at him and pulled the trigger and then he pointed his gun at Clack and pulled the trigger, apparently at a distance of about 10 or 12 feet away.

Biggs said he thought he had completely unloaded his gun.

Clack fell on the railroad track and was dead when Biggs returned with help. Dr. J. K. Willford, Lillington physician, said the main artery in Clack's neck had been severed.

The victim was too far away to receive powder burns and too close for the shot to spread. The entire load entered his neck.

SUMMONED HELP

Mack Norwood, owner of Norwood Brick Co. and L. B. Smith, an employee, said Biggs ran up to them for help, reporting that he had shot Clack. When they reached the body, however, Clack was dead.

OTHERS TESTIFY

Among other witnesses were: Ralph Lett, John Henry Evans and Mack McLean, Negro employees of the brick mill, who went with Norwood, Smith and Biggs to the body. The coroner's jury ruled that "Barton Clack came to his death as the result of loss of blood from gunshot wounds in the right neck caused by a 12 gauge shotgun in the hands of Joe Biggs. We find it to be an accidental death, both boys playing with what they thought to be unloaded guns."

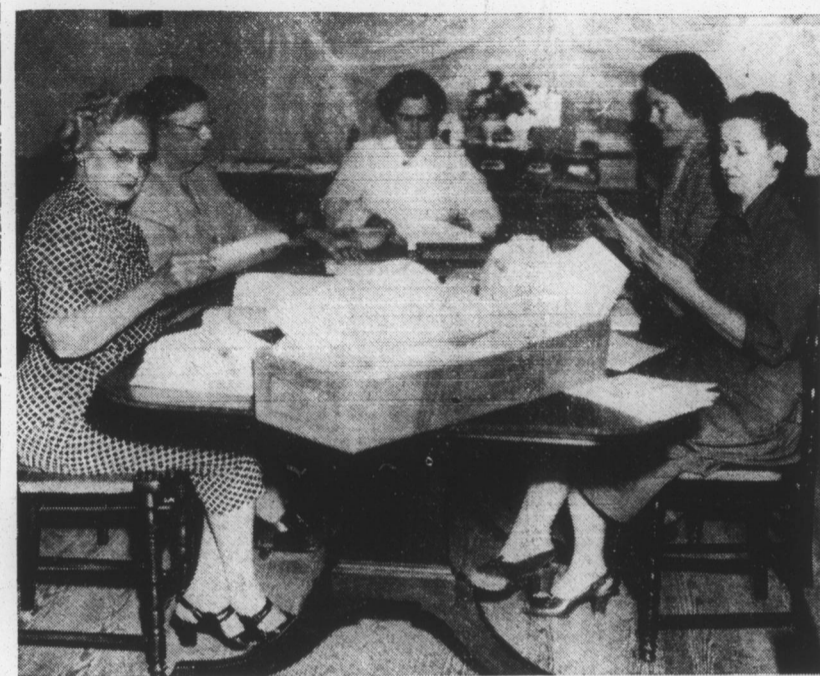
Members of the jury were: F. A. Bradsher, C. E. Vaughn, W. P. Sutton, James L. Roberts, W. R. Turlington, Jr., and J. M. Nipper.

Firemen Sponsor Turkey Shooting

Since most of those who have been participating in the weekly turkey shoot sponsored by the Dunn Fire Department are planning to go hunting on Thanksgiving Day, the main shoot on that day will be discontinued.

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Capitol Gives Ike A Big Welcome



YOU'LL BE GETTING THESE LETTERS — The first batch of letters containing Christmas Seals were sent out by the Harnett County Tuberculosis Association yesterday, with more to follow until everyone in the area has been mailed some seals. Shown preparing the letters for mailing are, left to right: Mrs. H. C. Turlington, Mrs. C. G. Dunn, Mrs. John Dalrymple, secretary of the association, Mrs. Ed Purdie and Mrs. Cecil Jernigan. Mrs. Dalrymple enlisted the services of her neighbors in this work. (Daily Record photo by Louis Dearborn).

Arrives For Conferences With Truman

WASHINGTON (AP) — President-elect Eisenhower flew here today for a face to face talk with President Truman and a rousing welcome by the city which will be his hometown after Jan. 20.

The 2 p. m. White House conference between the incoming and retiring leaders was dedicated to problems, worldwide in their scope, with which Eisenhower will have to grapple for the next four years.

High on the agenda of the conference was a discussion of world danger points—such as Iran, the Near East, Korea, Indo-China. No joint communique is expected at its conclusion.

TUMULTUOUS WELCOME

But before the two arch foes of the late campaign got down to the grim and difficult business which pulls them together now—the business of planning how to switch pilots without throwing the ship off course—the capital city paid its tumultuous respects to the World War II hero who will become the 34th president of the United States. Regardless of politics, this was I-Like-Ike day for the capital. The crowds were rendering tribute not to a candidate but to the victor, the man chosen to take the helm by a majority of the American electorate.

The day was cloudy but balmy, the temperature hovering around 58. Showers were headed this way but they put off their arrival, the forecasters said, until tomorrow afternoon.

It was a tanned and relaxed Eisenhower who turned on the throngs assembled to greet him the wide and warm grin which has won him the affection of millions, both here and abroad.

WORKERS TURN OUT

President Truman himself, the (Continued On Page Two)

Hiram Rose Elected To Head Shrine Club

Hiram Rose of Benson, was elected President of the Dunn Shrine Club at its regular meeting, held at Johnson's Restaurant last night.

Other officers elected were: Vice-President, Thad Pope; Secretary, Ed Welborn; Treasurer, J. I. Thomas. Sam Strickland and Bobby Strickland were elected to serve as Marshals.

The new officers will be installed at the December meeting of the club and will take over the duties of their offices at the meeting in January.

Retiring President, Joe Wilkins will automatically go on the Board of Directors and the new officers will compose the remainder of the board.

No program other than election of officers had been planned for this particular meeting and the remainder of the time was consumed in the many items of business that had been tabled at prior meetings.



HIRAM ROSE

Adlai Wants To Build Up Party

CHICAGO (AP) — Gov. Adlai E. Stevenson, unsuccessful presidential candidate, said today he would like to help strengthen "weak spots" in the Democratic party in the next four years.

He said he also intends to come back to Chicago, where his law firm is located, and "start making a living." He will be succeeded by a Republican as Illinois governor in January.

Stevenson returned here by air today from an Arizona vacation. He said that in the next four years "I would like the privilege of expressing myself from time to time on important issues."

There had been widespread speculation as to whether Stevenson would accept or seek the role of spokesman for the Democratic party.

As he stepped off the plane today he told the United Press that he would indeed like to make himself heard on "issues of importance."

Stevenson said he was not "considering" and public service posts, such as a United Nations administrative job or the presidency of a university.

Judge Orders Jury List Purge

Harnett County jury lists will get closer scrutiny in the future if Judge Henry Stevens, Jr., has his way.

The jurist, presiding over a term of superior court in Lillington yesterday called for a more careful check of the jury lists following an unexpected turn of court events.

A jury was being selected to try Manuel Batencourt, a Ft. Bragg soldier on manslaughter charges arising out of a fatal automobile accident, when Solicitor Jack Hooks excused one juror on grounds he once had been convicted of a felony.

This prompted the judge to remark, "Jury boxes should be purged so that they include no person who has been convicted of a serious crime. The law not only desires," the judge said, "but requires, that jury lists be purged. They should contain only names of men and women of good moral character."

This marks the second time this year that jury lists in the county have been the subject of criticism. Last January, A. R. Taylor, court appointed counsel for James Taylor, Negro facing trial on a first degree murder charge, asked for a dismissal of the indictment on grounds that Negroes were systematically excluded from the jury.

NO DISCRIMINATION

After an examination of county officials, Judge W. C. Harris the presiding judge, ruled no evidence of discrimination was found. In the past Negroes have served many times and are serving this term on the petit jury. However, at that time none had ever served on the grand jury.

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Negro Slayer Given 15 To 20-Year Term

Roy Lee (Junior) Aikens, 32-year-old Negro farm youth, was given 15 to 20 years in prison today for the slaying of his father-in-law, Huri Murphy, 58, of near Lillington.

Aikens pleaded guilty to charges of manslaughter and Solicitor Jack Hooks accepted the plea.

The slaying occurred on Saturday night, June 7 at the Aikens home, near Lillington.

According to the evidence, Murphy accused Aikens of being the father of an illegitimate child by Murphy's daughter.

BECAME ANGERED

Aikens became angered, went in-

side and got a 16 gauge shotgun, returned and shot Murphy as he leaned against an automobile in the yard.

Murphy died the following morning at 1:20 in the Dunn Hospital. Solicitor Hooks today took a nol pros in the manslaughter case against Earl Colville, driver of a car in which his mother was killed. Colville had been released from (Continued on page two)

Taft Suggests Cabinet Folks

WASHINGTON (AP) — Sen. Robert A. Taft said today he recommended to Dwight D. Eisenhower men for the president-elect's cabinet.

The Ohioan did not know if his selections would be accepted. Taft told a news conference that he acted on Eisenhower's request for suggestions. He declined to specify the men he suggested for cabinet posts.

NOT RUNNING

At the same time the Ohio Republican said that while he is "available" for the Senate floor leadership he is "not running for anything."

He did not see "any necessity for Eisenhower's intervention" in selecting a senate GOP majority leader. He said he believed Republicans in Congress would "work out an amicable solution" of the knotty problem.

Health Workers Now Arriving

First of the group of state public health workers who will assist with the county-wide TB x-ray survey arrived in Lillington yesterday. The survey will start on December 10 and run through January.

F. W. Sellers, health education Miss Iris Turlington, secretary, employee, and Alfred G. Chiswell, chief technician, are already on the job. Paul Johnson, the Negro educator, will arrive on Thursday.

Object of the survey is to have every person in the county over 15 years of age report for a free chest x-ray. Four mobile x-ray machines will move around the county to accomplish this task.

Chiswell and power company officials were out yesterday checking to see if suggested locations are adjacent to transformers, necessary to the operation of the electric x-ray machines. Announcement of the locations from which the mobile machines will operate is expected to be made by Thursday.

Volunteers in every community will be called on to furnish hostesses who will invite passers-by to come in for x-ray pictures. Church or civic groups will also be asked to make a house-to-house canvass and see if residents have taken advantage of the free x-rays.

Dr. W. B. Hunter, county health officer, said Sellers will confer with community leaders in every section where the x-ray machines will be stationed. Plans will be drawn to fit each community.

Dunn Jaycees Plan Big Variety Show

President Bill Biggs of the Dunn Junior Chamber of Commerce announced today that arrangements have been completed for the staging of "Shooting Stars," the big musical variety show to be presented by the Jaycees here on December 11th and 12th.

Mr. Biggs said the show, which has met with outstanding success in other towns throughout the country, comes to Dunn highly recommended.

It is unusual and something entirely different in the field of home talent entertainment. From start to finish it is a big four star hit parade of comedy and music.

The show has its setting in the central studio of Nationwide Television Inc. on the day that the cable goes through to make TV a reality coast to coast. A special hand painted backdrop in full color showing television cameras, spotlights and an authentic background.

From the minute the curtain goes up the audience is given a glimpse of life backstage in a TV studio. Chorus girls, singers, dancers, emcees and special entertainers are discovered warming up for the (Continued on page two)

Money Sought For Telephone Survey

Contributions from twenty-five cents to a dollar are being requested by the Dunn Chamber of Commerce in order to make a survey of the telephone situation in an effort to determine whether or not the increase in phone rates being asked by the Carolina Telephone Company is justified or not.

A letter asking for these contributions is being mailed to every Dunn telephone subscriber this week from Chamber President Clarence E. McLamb.

Chamber of Commerce Manager Norman Suttles points out that the idea is not to oppose the rate increase as such, but to try and find out whether or not the facts justify an increase.

In order to do this, it will be necessary to employ someone who can get the necessary information for us and then the Chamber can decide whether or not to go on record as opposing the increase.

"We do not know enough about the situation at present," Suttles said, "and we feel that the subscribers should be investigated to finance the survey and get at the facts."

LETTER SENT OUT

The letter being sent to the subscribers reads as follows:

"Dear Telephone User: Your Telephone Company is making application to the Utility Commission on December 9 for another increase in telephone rates. We do not know if this increase is justified or not, but feel that we should make every effort to find out and present those findings to the Commission. (Continued on page two)

Local Contractor Awarded Big Job

The East Carolina Construction Company of Dunn has been awarded the contract for construction of a new building for the Pepsi Cola Bottling Company at Kinston. It was disclosed today.

Total amount of the general contract was \$132,400 and construction by the Dunn firm will begin immediately.

East Carolina Construction Co. operated by Ben Hartsfield and Bill Corbin, has completed a number of large projects recently.

MARKETS

HOGS

RALEIGH (AP) — Hog markets: Hillsboro: Steady at 17.75. Whiteville, Lumberton, Marion: Steady at 17.25.

Fayetteville, Florence: Slightly weaker at 17.25. Smithfield: Slightly weaker at 17.00 to 17.25.

Tarboro, Hamilton, Elizabethtown, Siler City, Benson, Warsaw, Dunn, Wilson, Mount Olive, New Bern, Goldsboro, Burgaw, Clarkston, Scotland Neck, Washington, Wilmington, Windsor, Harrellsville, (Continued on page two)

Wade Negro Killed In Tussle Sunday

A 28-year-old Negro was shot and fatally wounded late Sunday afternoon when a 32 Italian automatic pistol was allegedly fired accidentally during a "tussle" between two Wade Negroes.

David McPhail of route one was pronounced dead upon arrival at Highsmith hospital after he was allegedly shot while "tussling" with John Stedman, 44, Negro, of Wade. Sheriff L. L. Guy said this mor-

ning that Stedman had been lodged in the Cumberland County jail with privilege of bond in connection with the shooting and will be charged with murder. Stedman allegedly admitted shooting McPhail, Guy revealed, but maintained that "it was an accident."

According to a preliminary investigation by sheriff's officers, McPhail arrived at Stedman's house near Wade about 4:50 p. m. Sunday. Stedman told officers that he and McPhail and another Negro (Continued on Page Two)

Mother Feels Sure Her Son Is Alive

SEOUL (AP) — Mrs. James A. Van Fleet has a mother's faith that her missing son is alive in North Korea.

It's faith that overrides the evidence. She has studied the cold facts compiled for the young pilot's father, Gen. James A. Van Fleet, by the Air Force and Army since Jim, Junior, 28, messenger "out of gas" and disappeared last April 4 on a bombing mission over North Korea.

An exhaustive search failed to locate young Van Fleet or the B-26 light bomber he was flying. But seven months have not dimmed Mrs. Van Fleet's stubborn conviction.

"I know Jimmy is alive," she tells friends. "When I picked up his old hat at home I felt it was a part of him and I know he is alive."

NO WAVERING There was no sign this morning that her faith had wavered before her husband's soldierly acceptance of the fact that young Van Fleet probably will never return.

"She has, in her way, deduced from all the facts that young Jim is alive somewhere in North Korea," a friend told United Press. "She doesn't say he is a prisoner. She just says he must be alive. It's just a matter of faith and mother instinct."

The general and Mrs. Van Fleet, who is in Korea on a "little visit" as the guest of President and Mrs. Syngman Rhee, spent last night in the Eighth Army headquarters compound in Seoul. It was the first time they had been together in 19 months. She arrived here Monday.

Bazaar Officers Express Thanks

On behalf of the Womens' Auxiliary of St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, Mrs. J. R. Young of Dunn, President, and Mrs. E. H. Bost, Chairman and Mrs. Fred Thomas, co-Chairman of the Bazaar, wish to thank the people, who by their support, made this project such a success.

They regret that there were more requests for the turkey dinner than (Continued On Page Two)

Bryan Returning To Civilian Life

SAN DIEGO, Calif. — After almost two years active duty, Lieutenant J. Shepard Bryan, Jr., USNR, is returning to civilian life in North Carolina. Since his recall to active duty Bryan has been serving as Aide and Flag Lieutenant to Vice Admiral I. N. Kiland, USN, Commander of the Pacific Fleet Amphibious Force, based at the Naval Amphibious Base, Coronado, Calif.

Bryan, the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Shepard Bryan of Dunn, N. C., reported to Admiral Kiland's staff in June 1951 aboard the USS Eldorado (AGC 11) when the admiral was in Far Eastern waters as Commander of Task Force 90. He returned to the Coronado headquarters the following September with the staff.

ANNAPOLIS GRADUATE A graduate of the U. S. Naval Academy, class of 1945, he served aboard the destroyer USS Mansfield for three years following graduation after which he was released to inactive duty in the Naval Reserve. After his return to civilian life he attended Harvard Law School in Cambridge, Mass.

Bryan was an assistant director of the Institute of Government of the University of North Carolina following his graduation from Harvard Law School in June 1950 until his recall to active duty one year later. His plans for civilian life include returning to this position.

The Bryan's have two daughters, Ann, 1-2, and Frances, 2 months. Mrs. Bryan is the former Miss Mary Ann Shands, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph W. Shands of 1917 Montgomery Place, Jacksonville, Fla.

He is a Licensed Attorney of the North Carolina State Bar, a member of the North Carolina Bar Association and American Bar Association.



LT. SHEP BRYAN