

**WEATHER**

Partly cloudy to cloudy and colder today; high 44 to 50 in the west and 50 to 58 in east portion. Tuesday mostly fair and a little warmer.

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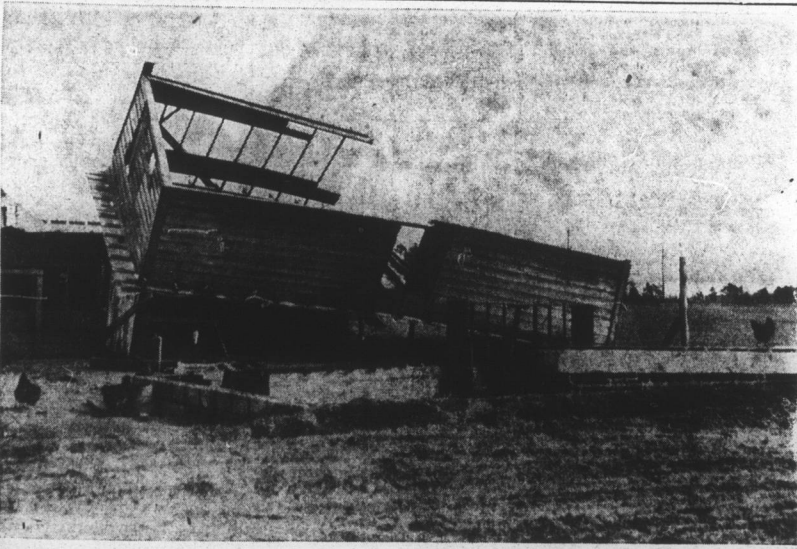
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# HARNETT TO ERECT NEW LIBRARY



**STORM LANDS POULTRY HOUSE ON ANOTHER**—A hard wind of tornadic-velocity struck in the Lee's Chapel of Sampson section on Dunn, Route 5 Sunday afternoon. It swept a large poultry building into the air and landed it upside down on the top of another building, as shown in above

photo, on the farm of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Tart. A tobacco barn at the farm of Mr. and Mrs. Horace Bagley, next door, was twisted off its foundation. Other minor damage was done but no injuries were reported. (Daily Record Photo by T. M. Stewart.)

**GOT SMALL FINE IN DUNN COURT**

## Hooks Says Murphy Must Serve Time

District Solicitor Jack Hooks said today that he will ask the presiding judge at the March criminal session of Harnett Superior Court to send Robert Murphy, well-known Dunn bootlegger, to prison for violation of his suspended sentence.

Murphy, described by police as one of Dunn's hardened bootleggers, was convicted of bootlegging in the Dunn court on February 23 but City Judge H. Paul Strickland turned down a plea by Solicitor J. Shepard Bryan that Murphy be sent to the roads.

Solicitor Bryan pointed out Murphy's long court record, his reputation as a notorious bootlegger and the fact that he was under a 5-year-old suspended sentence for bootlegging in Superior Court.

**GETS LENIENCY**

But Judge Strickland turned a deaf ear on the solicitor's plea and let Murphy go free under a small fine of \$200 and costs. The judge gave no reason for his leniency toward the old liquor offender.

When informed of Judge Strickland's action in the Murphy case today, Solicitor Hooks made it plain that he will remedy the situation by having Murphy's suspended sentence put into effect just as soon as court convenes.

Highly displeased by Judge Strickland's action, Solicitor Bryan declared: "It's hard enough to get the bootleggers caught; it's harder still to get a jury to find them guilty, and then it looks almost impossible to ever get one sent to the roads."

The solicitor observed that there's probably more bootleg whiskey in the Dunn area than anywhere else in the state. Bryan said there seems little point in officers catching bootleggers.

## County Board Buys Lot And Votes Money

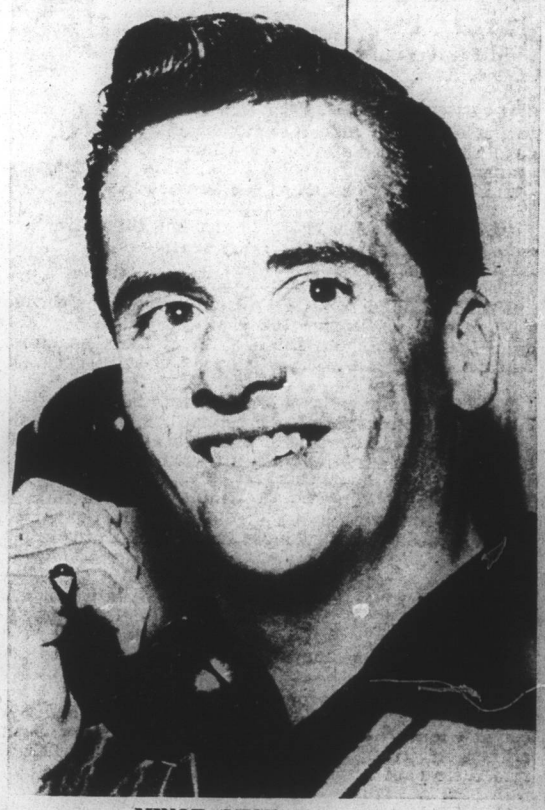
The Harnett County Board of Commissioners today voted to buy a lot in Lillington at the corner of 9th and Front Street and erect a new county library.

Action of the board came after Mrs. S. R. McKay county librarian, reported that it was necessary to either close up the present library or build a home for \$20,000 worth of books, or \$30,000 worth of equipment.

The lot, 110 x 87 feet in size, will be purchased for \$2,500 from Lamar Simmons, prominent Lillington business man. Money to erect the 2000-square foot building needed will be taken from the county's operating surplus. Cost is expected to run between \$10,000 and \$15,000.

A committee was named to discuss the type of building and method of construction.

James Spence library board chairman was named chairman. Other members include G. T. Profit, L. A. Tart, J. E. Womble, Mrs. Alton Johnson, Mrs. McKay, and Mrs. Walter Grey, area supervisor for the N. C. Library Commission.



MINOT (MICKEY) JELKE

## Jelke Vice Trial Is Opened Today

By JACK WOLISTON  
United Press Staff Writer  
NEW YORK (AP) — The curtain goes up today on an expurgated version of the Jelke vice trial.

Minot Mikey Finger Jelke, 25, heir to a multi-million dollar eomargarine fortune, appears in Criminal Court to face for the second time charges of compulsory prostitution.

This time the public will get the complete story of the vice ring which allegedly provided Cafe Society with play-for-pay lovelies whose fees sometimes were reported to have run as high as \$500 an evening.

At the former playboy's first trial, Judge Francis L. Valentine, "in the interest of good morals," barred the press and public while the prosecution presented its case. It was on those grounds, that the oleo heir appealed his conviction and three-to-six year sentence and won a new trial.

**"CAST" THE SAME**

The Court of Appeals, by a 4-2 vote, ruled that "the demands of public morality do not justify judicial nullification of the right of public trial, even in cases of obscene or indecent nature." The majority opinion held that Jelke should not have been deprived of "the possible benefits of attendance by the press."

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## Harnett Woman Is Badly Hurt

Condition of Miss Clyde Parrish Matthews, 45 of Angier, Route 2 who was seriously injured in an automobile accident on Friday was reported today as critical at Rex Hospital, Raleigh.

The two car collision in which Miss Matthews was injured occurred around 6:30 p. m. one mile south of Angier, in front of Altman's store on highway 210.

Patrolman Herman Ward, who investigated, said that Miss Matthews who was driving a 1941 Plymouth coupe pulled out from a drive in front of the store into the highway, headed in the direction of Angier. A 1951 Ford driven by Coyte Avon Johnson of Angier, Route 2, travelling in the same direction, hit the Plymouth and tore off the left side. Miss Matthews, alone in the car, was thrown out the left window. She received a

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## New Optimist Club To Name Officers

A temporary organization for Dunn's new Optimist Club will be set up at an organizational meeting to be held Tuesday night at 7:30 o'clock at Johnson's Restaurant in Dunn.

Plans for the meeting were announced today by Bob Price, chairman of the committee of Dunn business and professional men who are organizing the local unit of Optimist International.

Chairman Price said today that representatives of the Raleigh Optimist Club, which is sponsoring the local organization, will be present to assist.

Among those who will be here from Raleigh are Morris Todd, Bob Goodwin and L. A. Hane, who have also attended several other pre-organizational meetings here.

At the meeting Tuesday night, Chairman Price said today, a slate of temporary officers will be elected to serve until the club is chartered and permanent officers are named.

**EXCELLENT RESPONSE**

A minimum of 20 members are needed the club to be chartered and chairman Price said today he is confident that the club will have far more members than that before it applies for its charter. He said response has been very enthusiastic.

Three teams of local leaders are now busy calling on prospective members and telling them of the outstanding work of Optimist International. Members of the three teams are: Chairman Price, Charles Lee Guy and D. E. Brewer in Team No. 1; Paul Tart, Lofton Tart and Luke Byrd in Team No. 2; and Robert Smith, Earl Taylor and A. W. Nordan in Team No. 3.

All interested men are invited and urged to attend Tuesday's night's meeting.

## Lillington To Get High School Band

Plans to have a band at Lillington High School before the end of the present school term were announced Thursday night at the meeting of the Parent-Teacher Association.

A special band committee named by President J. A. Senter recommended that steps be taken immediately to secure instruments and expressed the hope that band instruction will be started within the next two weeks. Harold Grant of Dunn has agreed to offer the instruction provided other conditions are met.

The committee coupled with the recommendation the suggestion that the school or P. T. A. sponsor a special fund raising event, such as a womanless wedding, to help defray cost of renting large instruments. It was also suggested that a day be set shortly for representatives of instrument companies to meet at the school with parents of children who plan to play in the band. Parents could look at the instruments and make arrangements at that time to rent or buy them.

Principal Roger Johnson served as chairman of the band committee and made the report. Others on the committee are Jack Temple, Roger Mann, Mrs. Robert Winston and Mrs. W. A. Johnson. After

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**SLOW BOOTLEGGERS OUTWITTED**

## They Poured Out The Whiskey But Police There To Catch It

### These Little Things

By HOOVER ADAMS

**BECKY, A NEW STORE, HERO WORSHIP, AND OTHER NOTES**

Dunn Presbyterians don't know it, but one of the largest churches in Eastern Carolina is after their pastor, Rev. Dick Gammon... Mr. Gammon didn't know it, either, but members of the pulpit committee from that church were here yesterday to hear him preach... They heard a good sermon too... It was about the power of prayer... The popular Dunn pastor has already turned down several calls, but may find it difficult to turn this one down... If he wants to stay in Dunn now would be a good time to ask for a raise, wouldn't it... Crafton Tart's Open Air Market now has fresh peaches for sale... Lofton Tart of Dunn missed the District Rotary conference at Kinston... Says he just didn't feel like making the long trip... The Golden Anniversary pageant had been called off previously... Dunn's Becky Lee was guest of honor at Central High School's Stunt Night program on Friday...

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Surprised bootleggers poured out their "joy juice" when three county rural policemen raided them this weekend but they weren't smart enough or fast enough and both of them ended up facing trial in county court.

The officers simply outwitted them.

Defendants taken in the two raids were: William Billy Jordan, 30, of Erwin and Sandy Elliott, 35, Negro of near Lillington.

When the officers arrived at the Jordan home, Jordan and his wife refused to let them inside the door. Jordan and his wife started pouring their whiskey down the drain—but they didn't know that Policeman Stanley Byrd was sitting outside the house at the end of the drain pipe catching the stuff in a jar as evidence.

**HEARD THE POURING**

When Policemen Clarence Moore, Walker O'Quinn and Byrd arrived, the Jordans kept them outside the house while they tried to destroy the evidence.

Policeman Moore, who was standing at the kitchen door, said he could hear them unscrewing the jar lids and pouring out the whiskey.

"Get an empty jar and catch that whiskey coming out of the drain," Moore suggested to Byrd. It was an easy job.

Finally, the Jordans yielded to the law and let them inside the house. They found the empty jars and the foul-smelling moonshine.

In addition to the house in South Erwin, which was only partly furnished, the Jordans also maintained a house in which they live at 407 S. 15th Street.

**RAID OTHER HOUSE**

The officers raided that house, too. Policeman Moore said Jordan

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## Haircuts To Aid State's Crippled

You can help the crippled children of North Carolina by getting a haircut Tuesday at Jack Spell's Barber Shop, beside Johnson Restaurant.

Mr. Spell announced today that all money taken in Tuesday from haircuts—every penny of it—will be given to the Crippled Children's Society of North Carolina.

Mr. Spell and his barbers are donating their day's work to this worthy cause Tuesday in cooperation with the North Carolina Barbers Association. Barbers of the State are helping the crippled children's campaign.

None of the price charged for haircuts at Jack's Barber Shop will be kept by the barbers. All of it will go to the State campaign fund.

"This is a good opportunity," said Mr. Spell, "to get a haircut and help a worthy cause at the same time."

## Erwin Man, 26, Burned To Death

John Richards Stephens, 26, formerly of Erwin, was burned to death in Wilmington, Mass. during the weekend. Details of the tragedy were not known here.

He was the son of Andrew James and Alice Pearl Tart Stephens of Erwin.

The body is being returned to Cromartie Funeral Home in Dunn for burial.

Funeral arrangements will be announced later.

## LITTLE LIZ



Maybe freedom from wanting should coincide a little more closely with freedom from want.

## 30 More Violators Lose Their License

Following is a list of citizens of this section who have lost their driving license for one year for violation of motor vehicle laws during the period between February 5 and 12th.

Marvin Hodges of Dunn, convicted on second charge of driving drunk.

Edgar Johnson of Four Oaks, convicted at Smithfield third time for driving drunk.

Marvyn Lindburg Jackson of Godwin, convicted in Dunn court of driving drunk.

Loyton McIver of Dunn, convicted of driving drunk in Superior Court at Smithfield.

James Floyd Beaves of Erwin, convicted in Dunn for driving drunk.

Andrew Duswood Riley of Autryville, convicted second time of driving drunk in Fayetteville court.

Marvin Flato Stamper of Erwin, convicted for second time of driving drunk at Clinton.

Eugene Alexander Bain of Bunkin, failure to comply with insurance liability law.

Eugene Edward Brown of Fort Brass, convicted in Dunn court of driving after license revoked.

Charles Williams Collins of Benson, convicted in Garner court of speeding 30 miles an hour.

Malcolm Tammey Foster, Jr. of

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## + Record Roundup +

**ON DEAN'S LIST**—The Dean's List for the past semester has been announced at Womens College in Greensboro. Students from this area receiving the honor are Janet Ennis of Erwin, Sammy Penny of Chalybeate Springs, and Dorothy Howard of Buies Creek. To receive this honor, a junior or senior student must make an average of B or better for the semester.

**BOARD MEETING**—The planning board of the Dunn City Council will meet tonight at 7:30 at City Hall. Mr. J. M. Lambeth, engineer in Raleigh, will be the speaker.

**CHAPEL PROGRAMS** — Miss Thomas' seventh grade of Meadow School gave two chapel programs, March 3. They were "Susie's Debt" and "When Mother Went Away." Those who took part in the plays are Shelby Beasley, Ray Johnson, Evelyn Lee, Doris Blackman, Hilda Wheeler, Frances Peacock, Linda Wilks, Jerry Adams, Jackie Parker, Bertha Parker, Thomas Jernigan Glenda McLamb and Ronald Lee.

## Lillington Chamber Picks Directors For New Year

New members of the board of directors of the Lillington Chamber of Commerce were elected at a meeting in the Town Hall.

President W. K. Sexton presided and announced that the election of a new president to succeed him will be made by the directors at a later date. In the interim, Sexton will continue in this office.

Five directors chosen for three years terms include: S. H. Wilborn, C. S. Fowler, Robert Womble, Neil Kelly, and John Womble. These men succeed the five whose terms have expired. They were C. S. Loving, W. K. Sexton, W. M. Bryan, Nell Ray Johnson and Hubert Peay.

Other directors with two years longer to serve are: Clifton Brock, D. P. Ray, Jr., Johnny Wilbourne, railroad at junction of 15-A and

**MERCHANTS HELPED**

President Sexton pointed out that the cooperation of local merchants and contractors has resulted in a much larger and better building than could be obtained with the same amount of private capital. The Lillington industrial building contains 40,000 square feet, and is air conditioned and of the most modern design available; yet with contractors doing the work at cost and suppliers providing the materials without any profit to themselves, the building cost only a little over four dollars per square foot.

"The truth is," said Sexton, "we have a \$300,000 building, for around \$125,000." Sale of stock was subscribed and the building erected within the past year.