

Pat Ward

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erate with us?" She began to sob when Herz asked: "Did you take the position that you weren't going to say anything?"

"I didn't know what to do!" Virginia wailed, then buried her face in a handkerchief and wept bitterly. Judge Francis L. Valente called a recess, and Virginia left the stand, sobbing into her cupped hands.

Invokes Fifth Amendment

Called as a state witness to testify about a meeting she had with Mickey Jelke and a subsequent "double date" with Pat Ward, Virginia completed her testimony in less than two hours, during which she "invoked" her Constitutional privileges, then carefully explained to Herz:

"That's the Fifth Amendment." The session also included a repeat performance of the witness stand by Pat Ward, who was recalled by Herz to identify two erotic photographs; and the beginning of the testimony of Richard Short, ex-convict and ex-friend of Mickey Jelke.

The pictures shown to Pat Ward depict two unclothed women. She kept her eyes averted from them,

said that one of the women resembled her "slightly," but denied posing for them.

They were shown to Jelke's jury of 10 men and two women. Their faces were studies in shock, embarrassment and dismay as the two large photos were passed from hand to hand.

Virginia Dee's testimony about her "cooperation" as a material witness in Jelke's trial on compulsory prostitution charges was brought out during her cross-examination.

Recovered from her crying spell, she testified that Roberts told her the day she was picked up by two men from the DA's office in April, 1952: "If I didn't cooperate my child could be taken away from me."

"You loved your child very dearly?"

"Yes," she said in a choked voice. "You were prepared to do anything to prevent your child being taken from you?" Herz asked, but an objection from Assistant District Attorney Anthony J. Liebler was sustained.

"You were in a panic?" Herz asked, and Virginia said tearfully, "Of course!"

"Up to that time, had you answered the district attorney's questions?"

"I don't believe so."

At that time, said Virginia, her

baby was 4 months old and was with her husband, who put up her bail money before Jelke's first trial. (Virginia now is divorced; she told a reporter between trials that the Jelke case "ruined" her marriage to a man she loved very much.)

She had testified under direct examination by Liebler that she had been sent on a double date with Pat Ward to the Warwick Hotel after a conversation with Pat, Jelke and Ray Russell Davioni (a convicted procurer) in Jelke's apartment in the fall of 1951.

TELLS OF \$20 GIFT

Herz questioned her about this date. She said there were five men at the Warwick when she arrived there with Pat. One was named Max and he gave her \$20, she said, although she did not have relations with anyone "under the circumstances."

(Nobody explained that "circumstances." Pat testified last week that the men didn't like Virginia Dee, but it is understood that an argument developed at the Warwick and Virginia left because she didn't want to take part in what was planned for her there.)

Virginia told Herz that she left Pat at the Warwick. When he asked her if she had ever seen Jelke after that, she said testify, "No," and glared at the defendant.

Lived Off Wife's Earnings

She also told Herz that she met another convicted procurer, Robert Merritt, in 1950. Asked what he did, she said: "He was living off Carol Sutton's earnings." Carol



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Sutton was Merritt's wife. "Did you ever work for Bob Merritt?"

"Yes."

"Did you go out on dates with men for Bob Merritt?"

Virginia looked at her attorney, then said rapidly: "I invoke my Constitutional privilege and refuse to answer on the ground that it might incriminate me."

Next Virginia said she didn't want to talk about a meeting she had with Barbara Harmon, but she refused to say whether it might "degrade or disgrace" her. The party with Barbara Harmon, she finally said, took place at the Empire Hotel with a group of men and women.

She turned to Judge Valente and asked, "Do I have to answer?" when she was pressed for answers to some of the questions. "Yes" said Valente.

Willie R. Tart Died Thursday

Willie Raymond Tart, 5, of Dunn, Route 2, died Thursday morning in the Dunn Hospital. Funeral services will be held Saturday afternoon at 2:30 p. m., from the Holly Grove Church. Burial will be in the Barefoot Family Cemetery near here.

He was a native of Johnston County, the son of the late Handy M. and Nicey Barefoot Tart.

He is survived by his wife, Nancy Barefoot Tart; eight sons, Raymond A. Tart of Angier, Route 1; Sgt. 1-C Wilmon E. Tart of Ft. Meade, Md., Lehmon, Estes, Warren C., Larry D., Glendale and Wayne, all of Dunn, Route 2; two daughters, Mrs. John D. Adams and Mr. Charles Larry Raynor of Benon, Route 2; three brothers, Emery and Rassic B. of Dunn, Route 2 and Fernie B. Tart of Dunn, Route 5; three sisters, Mrs. Lula Baker, Dunn, Route 2, Mrs. Vida Baker of Lillington, Mrs. Nora Belle Wollard of Arlington, Va., and nine grandchildren.

Roundup

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Lillington, Route 2.

SPECIAL SPEAKER AT GLAD TIDINGS

In the absence of the pastor, Rev. his rare grins. Virginia stood on her Constitutional rights later, however, and refused to tell Herz whether the women at the party were prostitutes.

At the Warwick, Virginia said, she received \$20 "for cab fare" after a conversation with Pat and the men there, although she engaged in no sexual relations.

Virginia is a sullen-mouthed, big boned girl, with elaborately curled, copper-colored hair. Her eyes are heavily made up, with blue eye-shadow, jet black lashes and eyebrows.

Robert Palmer, Rev. G. A. Smith from Angier will speak at the morning and evening services of the Glad Tidings Assembly of God of Dunn this Sunday. Rev. Smith is a young man with a message for youth. The public is invited to these services.

REVIVAL SLATED—A revival will begin Monday night at 7:30 at the Black's Chapel Methodist Church. The pastor, the Rev. S. E. Landers will be the preacher and the song services will be conducted by Hubert Jernigan of Dunn, Rt. 1.

BARBECUE—The senior class of Dunn High School is sponsoring a barbecue, tomorrow, March 26 at the Dunn High School cafeteria. Tickets may be purchased from members of the senior class today or tonight. Tickets will also be on sale at the door. Pork is \$1.25 a

plate, and chicken is \$1.50 a plate. Griffin's of Goldsboro is furnishing the barbecue.

Four Reported Being Drowned

CAMDEN, Tenn. (AP)—Four persons including a woman cook were missing and presumed drowned today after a towboat smashed into a pier of a highway bridge that spans the turbulent Tennessee River and sank.

Two big barges were cut adrift in the swift stream by the accident, which occurred last night. Three men who clung to a small lifeboat in the chilly water survived.

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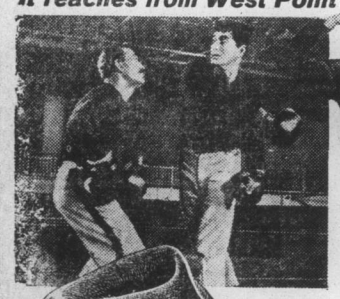

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