

Jurors Drawn For April Court Term

Mail Change At Lillington Disgruntling

Lillington citizens are aroused by a new "economy move" by the Post-Office Department. Discontinuation of the highway post-office there has disgruntled many.

The Harnett County News calls the situation "aggravating." Representative F. Ertel Carlyle has authorized to amend mail schedules promised to see if he can get postal so as to afford regular service.

At present, mail is delivered into Lillington by Star Route from Sanford. Sometimes, it is claimed, mail arrives twice a day, sometimes once a day.

Lillington citizens are hopeful that Carlyle, who successfully fought post-office changes in the service at Dunn, can work the same kind of magic for them.

Presbyterians Embark On Job Of Raising Money

Presbyterians in Dunn have set out to raise funds for an educational and fellowship hall, and are making long-range plans toward a possible new church plant.

Ruling Elder Guyton Smith gave a report Sunday from the building committee and long-range planning committee. Unshut was a vote in which the congregation favored a plan to raise funds for the hall.

Plans to erect a church sanctuary and raising of funds for it will come at a later date. The church recently purchased property on South McKay and West Divine to either move the manse or erect a new manse for the church.

When and if land for the church is selected, the congregation will vote on approval.

Rev. Leslie C. Tucker, the Presbyterian pastor, said the whole project is very much in the thinking stage. "We just want to see first how much money we can raise toward this project."

Samson Considers Bond Election

Samson County commissioners will hold a public hearing March 12 to discuss a possible bond election for \$1,250,000 to finance school building. Commissioners favor the election.

Falling a large body of dissenters on March 2, a date will be set for the election. The school board has taken the stand, before the commissioners, that need is imperative due to lack of class room space in both the white and Negro schools.

Under the proposal the county system would get \$917,500 out of the total bond issue and the Clinton city unit would get \$278,500.

Mrs. Harrington Has Busy Month

For the second consecutive month receipts in the county register of deeds office passed the one thousand dollar mark.

Mrs. Inez Harrington, register of deeds, reported Monday to county commissioners that fees for recording various legal documents in February totaled \$1,172.80.

No report was made on the sale of eleven marriage licenses at four dollars each, since marriage license sales are computed quarterly. No charges were made to place on record 20 service discharges.

Heart Attack Kills Tourist

Paul Brown Saunders, 41, of Woodside, Delaware, died early Tuesday morning in the Dunn Hospital.

Mr. Saunders, who owned a trucking concern, suffered a heart attack about 4:30 Tuesday morning and was brought to the local hospital. He was enroute from a vacation in Florida to his home.

The body is at the Hatcher-Skinner Home in Dunn.

Purdum's Wife

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Mrs. Purdum testified that after the English actor met the actress at the party he vanished from home for nights and even weekends.

When she would ask him where he had been, he would tell her to mind her own business, she said.

Myers Can't

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questions . . . concerning his political or religious views as they affect the college.

Nobody can predict the future for the pleasant-mannered bachelor teacher who knows, whatever the outcome of the hearing on Monday, he is unlikely to get another job in the teaching profession, in which he has spent his life.

Several weeks ago, when Myers first announced his determination to be an "uncooperative witness," he admitted that he didn't expect his job to last in the face of that declaration. His one regret, he said, was that the college would suffer because of his stand.

Yesterday, in the face of the action by the board to relieve him from duties as language teacher and golf coach, he reaffirmed that he was not holding Campbell responsible for his predicament.

"My battle is not with the trustees," he said. "My battle is with the Un-American Activities Committee. They caused this. This is what they came down to North Carolina to accomplish—to get people fired from their jobs."

Myers had also said, several weeks ago, "I can make a living twenty different ways."

The son of a Baptist minister and a Sunday School teacher, Myers readily found a Biblical analogy for the stand he is taking. A long statement which he gave to the press yesterday concluded with a reference to Matthew in which Pilate asked Jesus, "Do you not hear how many things they testify against you?"

"But he gave him no answer," quoted Myers, "not even to a single charge so that the governor wondered greatly."

In that statement, also, Myers gave what he called "a few reasons" for his decision neither to "make a statement concerning my affiliation with communistic organizations or to resign or ask for a leave of absence."

One, he wrote, was that "this request stems from the fact that I have been twice accused of being a communist, and that I do not intend to answer those charges before the House Committee for Un-American Activities, which has subpoenaed me to appear before it. To yield to the resultant economic pressure by making such a statement would be in effect to yield to the committee."

"Two—I do not wish to dignify by answering them the charges leveled against me by a self-confessed paid spy, and by an informer who boasts that he recruited his teacher into the Communist party and then reported him to the FBI."

"Three—I do not wish to degrade myself by entering into the paroxysms of denials, explanations, justifications and expressions of repentance which have characterized the behavior of many panicky individuals who have found themselves in a situation similar to mine."

"Four—to undertake to answer the charges against me would be to take upon myself the burden of

proof. This would be the contrary of our traditional concept that the accused is assumed to be innocent until proven guilty. If anyone believes me to be guilty of any crime, let him have me indicted and tried in a proper court, having advantage of the application of the rules of evidence, the right to cross-ex-

amine and the right to present defense witnesses, I shall be able to present my defense in an orderly fashion, with some hope that justice will prevail.

"Five—Far from being ashamed of any of my political activities, I am proud of them for they have all been in the interest of peace,

freedom and justice. Under conditions in which calm reason and freedom of speech and of political belief prevail, I should be glad of the opportunity to discuss them with anyone. Unfortunately, such conditions do not now prevail, and such a discussion might lead to subjecting to the harassments of

the committee people who I assume are as innocent of crime as I am.

"Six—I do not accept the suggestion that I resign or ask for a leave of absence, although it was made in a spirit of kindness, which I appreciate. I consider it to be only the right, but the duty of a

teacher to take a stand against the attempted destruction of our liberties by agencies of government which carry out investigations into private beliefs without the slightest regard for the due processes of the law and which use informers, who have been hired to spy upon the peaceful assemblies of the people."

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Roundup

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R. Blalock of Dunn will participate in the Third Army exercise, "Lucky Wash" for three days beginning March 23. Advance planning for this "man maneuver" has been underway for several months. Major Blalock is a former commander of Battery B, 113th Field Artillery Battalion.

GETS MEDAL — A small medalion designed by a master engraver has been presented to R. L. Crommie Jr. for his help in the savings bond program by the Treasury department. The award was in recognition of Harnett's going over the ton in the 1955 drive. Under Crommie's chairmanship, \$483,812.50 raised. The quota was \$397,500.

Dead Petitions Get Approval

Two road petitions were approved Monday by the county commissioners. They were:

(1) to make all weather surface, either all or asphalt, that road in Stewart's Creek township which runs from the Randle level - Erwin highway to Byrd's Mill, a distance of 1.8 miles.

(2) to null up that road in Upper Little River township which runs from Northampton Road to the home of Row H Brown, commonly known as Community Road, a distance of five-tenths of a mile. The latter petition was given to Commissioner R. P. Ingram for presentation to the Sixth District Highway officials.

WOMEN BARRED

WERN, Switzerland (AP) — Male citizens voted for the 24th time here Sunday to keep women out of politics.

They rejected by a vote of 62,971 to 52,929 a law which would have introduced women suffrage in the canton of Bern.

Robert E. Peeden Ends Own Life

Robert E. Peeden, about 70, of Rt. 1, Wade, died early Monday by hanging himself in a tree near his home, according to Cumberland County police.

County officers said there was no evidence of foul play. Coroner Alph Clark was conducting an investigation.

Police said they received information that Peeden had been dependent over the death of his wife, Effie, 81, on Feb. 25. A preliminary investigation by officers indicated the man climbed up in a tree, tied a rope around his neck and jumped.

Coroner Clark stated that Peeden also had slashed his throat three times with a small paring knife but that these injuries were not sufficient to have caused death.

He also had written on the sand of the yard over an area of some thirty feet but the writing was not legible.

Former Sexy Singer Singing Hymns

CHICAGO — Former nightclub singer Joyce Bryant has made her debut as an evangelist hymn songstress.

"I appeared on the nightclub floor to be sexy", she said. And I even wore sexy-type gowns, but I don't think I'm a sexpot. There's nothing against sex in my religion, but it should be kept sacred. Sex shouldn't be thrown around."