

Federal Agents Round Up 19 Harnett, Johnston Men For Selling Whiskey To Undercover Agents

THESE LITTLE THINGS

By Hoover Adams

GOV. TO SPEAK TWICE IN DUNN TOMORROW

Governor Terry Sanford will make three short speeches in Harnett Thursday instead of two.

The governor originally had planned to speak only at Lillington High and at Harnett High in Dunn.

At both schools, he will be introduced by the president of the student body — Jonathan Hill, son of Judge and Mrs. Woodrow Hill.

Principal Johnson said today the governor had requested that there be no reception by local dignitaries or political leaders; he just wants to meet and talk with the students.

Before coming to Dunn, he will speak at Lillington High, arriving there at 1:20.

Principal Johnson said the State's chief executive will be given a warm and enthusiastic welcome at both local schools as well as in Lillington.

THESE LITTLE THINGS: Dunn's Coin Club is growing in member, spirit and activity — and coins continue to get scarcer.

Robert Lee Smith is the town's champion coin-collector, has the most valuable collection of all.

And Joe Leslie, the town's only dealer in rare coins, reports an increasing volume of business.

He secured rare gold pieces for a number of local citizens for use as Christmas gifts.

MANAGER Abe Elmore of Wilbourne's attended a preview showing of the new General Electric line of appliances in Raleigh yesterday.

Chairman Jack Brock and all the other members of the Harnett County Board of commissioners were jailed Monday — but don't get alarmed.



DUNN MASONS INSTALL NEW OFFICERS — Master Joe Ruark and other new officers of the Dunn Masonic Lodge were installed in ceremonies conducted last night by Past Master Joe Leslie.

By Wesley Coates' Cheer Committee

268 Families Given Aid

The Dunn Christmas Cheer Committee, Wesley Coates, Chairman, released a report today indicating that more families than ever were helped during the recent holidays.

The Committee is sponsored by the Dunn Ministerial Association, and its work continues throughout the year, serving as a sort of

'Traveler's Aid,' a 'Helping Hand' to those in distress, and a source of encouragement to those who are discouraged.

During the last two weeks of December the people of Dunn contributed food, clothing, and money to help the needy.

Tom M. Freeman, president of the Ministerial Association, expressed appreciation to all those who helped out in any way.

The Christmas Cheer office was set up in the old Presbyterian Church house, a telephone was installed, and a secretary employed.

In Court At Benson

Rogers Is Cleared Of Manslaughter

Bobby Dalton Rogers, 19, of Rt. 1, Garner, was freed in Benson District Recorder's Court in a charge of manslaughter in connection with the wreck death of his 51-year-old mother, Mrs. Mamie Adams Rogers, on Dec. 5.

Judge Clarence P. Trader found no probable cause as to the manslaughter charge.

Rogers was judged guilty of failing to yield the right of way and drew a 30-day road term, suspended on payment of costs.

Mrs. Rogers, a passenger, died of head injuries a few hours after a 1962 Ford pickup, driven by her son, was involved in a collision with another vehicle on rural paved road 1308 five miles west of Four Oaks.

Eleven other cases were disposed of during the one-day session of court.

Eldridge Holly of Benson was convicted of an assault charge. He was handed a 90-day road sentence, suspended on condition that he pay a \$25 fine and costs and not violate any criminal law for 12 months.

Nelson Sanders, Jr., of Angler was found guilty of failing to transfer motor vehicle title, improper parking, improper registration, and failing to have motor vehicle liability insurance.

State Senator Robert B. Moryan of Lillington is representing Hamedinia.

Trial Nears End In County Court

Iran Student, Erwin Man Suing Each Other

Evidence was nearing completion today in Harnett Recorder's Court in a lawsuit in which two motorists are suing each other for \$5,000 apiece for injuries received in a collision that occurred Dec. 15, 1961 between Dunn and Erwin.

Freidoun Hamedinia, 26, a native of Terhan, Iran (Persia) who is now a student at Woodley College in Los Angeles, Calif., is suing Elton Barefoot, 44, of Erwin for \$5,000.

State Senator Robert B. Moryan of Lillington is representing Hamedinia.

In a counter action, Barefoot

Arrest Climax Long Probe By Undercover Men

Nineteen Harnett and Johnston County residents were taken into custody early Wednesday morning and charged with violation of Federal Liquor laws in a rapid-fire series of pre-dawn arrests climaxing three months of undercover investigation.

More than a dozen Federal ATU agents, U. S. Marshals and Dunn ABC officers began rounding up the accused violators at 4:30 a. m. and all 19 were in custody by 6:30.

Art Bryant, head of the Dunn ATU office, said all 19 were charged with possessing, removing, concealing and selling non-tax-paid whiskey to undercover agents during the investigation which extended over about three months.

Several reputed big-time operators, others with prior liquor convictions and some with liquor reputations but no prior records were among those arrested.

Ten of the defendants were arrested by agents out of the Dunn office and the other nine by agents working out of the Fayetteville office.

The ten arrested here waived preliminary hearing before U. S. Commissioner Abe Elmore at his office in Dunn, and the other nine waived hearing before U. S. Commissioner C. Wallace Jackson at Fayetteville.

All 19 were held under bonds of \$500 each for their appearance at the next term of U. S. District Court in Raleigh.

A 1952 Chevrolet owned by L. P. McIntyre of Erwin was confiscated by the officers.

An additional violation was charged against Sam Williams, 38, of Bunnlevel, Route 1. Officers found him with 55 3/4 gallons of bootleg whiskey when they went

is suing Hamedinia for \$5,000 for the injuries he received. Dunn attorney Robert C. Bryan is representing Barefoot.

The accident occurred at the Zola's Barbecue intersection of Highway 421 when a truck driven by Barefoot, going north, collided with the car driven by Hamedinia, who was headed west.

The Iran student claims Barefoot failed to stop at a stop sign and was negligent. Barefoot claims Hamedinia was negligent.

Also injured was another student from Terhan, Mancheer Erasta. Erasta and Barefoot are also suing each other for \$5,000 in a lawsuit to be heard after the present case is settled.

Trial of the Barefoot-Hamedinia suit started on Monday.

Senator Morgan offered as witnesses Hamedinia, State trooper George Spain, Erasta and Dr. W. E. Adair of Erwin and then closed the case for the plaintiff.

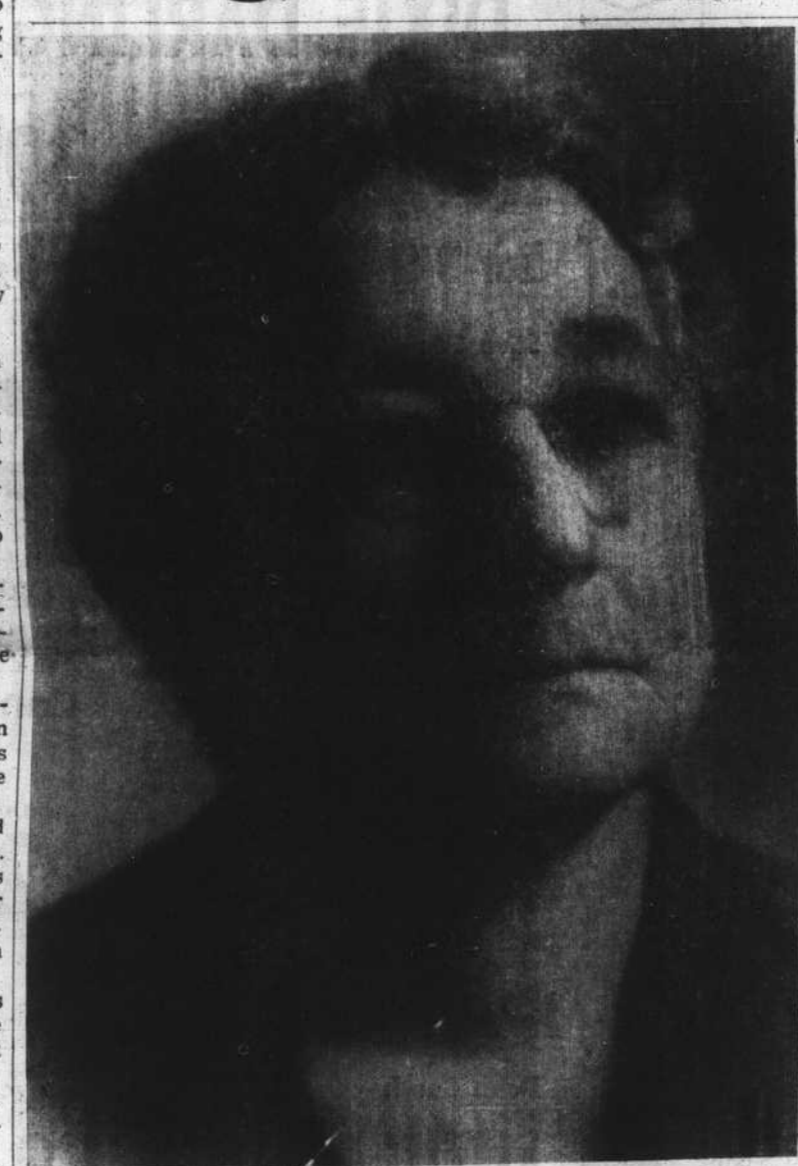
First witness for Barefoot yesterday was his wife, who testified that he was in good health prior to the accident, but that he was permanently injured as a result of it.

Attorney Bryan was scheduled to send additional witnesses to the stand in behalf of Mr. Barefoot today.

The case is expected to be concluded today or tomorrow.

Manslaughter Cases Heard In Superior Court

Safe Crackers Get Long Prison Terms



MRS. ANNIE WELLONS

Was Mother of Local Business Leaders

Mrs. Annie Wellons Dies After Illness

Mrs. Annie Crocker Wellons, 80, of Dunn, died early this morning in Betsy Johnson Memorial Hospital in Dunn. She had been in declining health for some time.

She was the widow of the late Rev. John Wesley Wellons, a prominent Pentecostal Holiness minister who died in 1961 and the mother of five of Northeastern Carolina's best known business men.

Mrs. Wellons was a native of Micro in Johnston County, daughter of the late Gaston and Sarah Hinant Crocker.

Mrs. Wellons was a member of the Gospel Tabernacle Pentecostal Holiness Church here where funeral services will be held Friday morning at 11:00.

The Rev. J. Donor Lee, pastor, Rev. W. Eddie Morris of Falcon, superintendent, of the N. C. Conference of the Pentecostal Holiness

Church, and Rev. Jerome Hodges of Goldsboro, a former superintendent, will officiate. Entombment will follow in the Wellons Mausoleum in Greenwood Cemetery.

The body will lie in state at the church from 10 to 11:00.

Surviving are five sons, Lee Douglas of Greensboro, Charles Russell of Durham, John H. and Calvin G. Wellons, both of Dunn, and William S. Wellons of Fayetteville; also 19 grandchildren and one sister, Mrs. Fred Gaylord of Wilmington.

The body will be taken to the home of her son, Calvin, Thursday morning.

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British Teenagers Say

Sex Status Symbol

LONDON (UPI) — A 17-year-old girl said today British teenagers regard sexual experience as a "status symbol," although they tend to frown on promiscuity.

The anonymous author of an article published by the magazine Family Planning said she and her friends do not regard non-virgins as "anything out of the ordinary."

She estimated that about a third of the girls who will graduate this year from the grammar high school she attends have

lost their virginity, and that few of the 18-year-old British girls she knows are virgins.

"Boys with whom I am in contact tend to be non-virgins at the age of 17," she said.

"Non-virginity seems to be something of a status symbol." She said it was "generally accepted" that couples who have dated for about two months have had intercourse.

"There is surprise if one finds out to the contrary," she said.

They were charged with safe burglaries at the Sam Miriello Ins. office and Pope Oil Co., in Dunn.

Campbell and Monk were also charged with burglaries at Sexton's Dept. Store and Lillington Auto Parts in Lillington, Carl's Super Market, Joseph's Dept. Store and West's Dept. Store in Erwin.

Evidence showed the two men rode a bicycle to Lillington to commit the robberies there.

Henry Wilbur Clements, 29, former sergeant at the Lillington prison camp, was given 3-5 years today and placed on probation for embezzlement of some \$2,500 from the prisoner's trust fund, of which he was custodian.

Judge McKinnon placed him on probation for five years, ordered him to repay the \$2,500 at the sum of \$10 per week and court costs.

Defense Attorney Ed McCormick pleaded for mercy for Clements and told the court the man was

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Prove Too Good For Las Vegas

System Beats Slot Machines

LAS VEGAS, Nev. (UPI) — The Australian slot machine "syndicate" has proved once and for all that slot machines can be beaten by a "system."

The "syndicate" took this gambling mecca by storm Tuesday night with the "system" that yielded the group \$200,000 in slot machine winnings last year in Australia.

sometimes before hitting a single jackpot and having dropped but a few coins into the machines.

In the brief span of four hours, "system" inventor George Clampett and fellow player Keith Jennings hit eight jackpots for a total of \$277.50. The largest payoff was for \$100. There was one for \$35, three for \$25, one for \$50, one for \$10 and the smallest for \$7.50.

"We just had to prove our-

selves," said Clampett with a broad grin. "We knew we could do it here in America, but we just had to bloody prove it once and for all."

Up until this time, it was held that the slot machine player was a sure loser.

The group won \$200,000 in the year playing slots in their home country, the funds financing their trip to this country.