

Recorder's Court

A heavy docket faced Judge W. E. Bellamy, Jr., and Solicitor A. H. Gaaney, Jr., during Monday's session of Recorder's Court, but both officials will receive a respite from their duties on Monday coming, when court will not be held due to the Labor Day holiday.

Resume of cases tried follows: Paul Sellers pled guilty to issuing a worthless check and received a year in prison and a fine of \$250. He was sentenced to the State Prison at Raleigh.

Steve Cooker waived preliminary hearing on an assault with deadly weapon charge and was bound over for trial in Superior Court under \$300 bond.

Waddell Clemmons and David Leo Clemmons were found not guilty of possession of non-tax paid whiskey and public drunkenness.

Perry Lee Hewett pled guilty to careless and reckless driving and driving with improper equipment and was fined \$25 and costs.

Fred Atkinson pled guilty to a drunk driving charge and was sentenced to 90 days on the roads, with sentence suspended on condition he surrender his driver's license and pay a fine of \$100 and costs.

Willie Richard Jackson, charged with reckless driving, hit and run, and inflicting property damage, was found guilty on all counts and sentenced to 90 days on roads with sentence suspended on condition he attend Driver's Clinic within the next 60 days, restrict his driving to transportation to job for 6 months and pay a fine of \$50 and costs.

Joe Floyd Davis pled guilty to driving without license and was fined \$25 and costs.

Lawrence R. Sullivan pleaded guilty to careless and reckless driving and driving too fast for road conditions. He was sentenced to 4 months, with sentence suspended on condition he not operate vehicle except for job trans-

portation, attend Driver's Clinic within 90 days and pay fine of \$60 and costs.

Homer Blanke, Jr., paid \$25 and costs for driving without license. Joseph T. Moore paid \$10 and costs for following too closely.

David E. O'Neal was fined \$15 and costs and fine remitted on a speeding charge.

Carol Joyner pled guilty to driving without a license and was fined \$25 and costs.

Herman Young drew 60 days for failing to stop and report an accident resulting in personal injury and property damage, sentence suspended on condition defendant violate no vehicular laws and pay a fine of \$20 and costs.

Brady L. Long was sentenced to a total of 9 months on the roads on 3 charges, including third offense driving without license, issuing a worthless check, and larceny by fraud. On a fourth count, that of forgery, Long waived preliminary hearing and will be tried in Superior Court.

Richard Moore was taxed with the costs for assaulting a female, after prosecuting witness declined to testify.

Charles D. Burton paid \$10 and costs for driving on the wrong side of road not in passing.

Fred Matthews was found guilty of non-support of wife and 3 minor children and drew 6 months on roads with sentence suspended on condition he pay \$25 weekly support beginning on September 4, plus court costs.

Annie K. Greer was taxed with the costs for failing to yield right-of-way.

Albert L. Jewell was found not guilty of driving too fast for road conditions.

Dudley W. Barbee was fined \$100 and costs on a charge of driving under the influence and license revoked for one year. Charles Kennedy pled guilty to public drunkenness and drew 30 days suspended on condition he remain sober and of good behavior.

for 2 years and pay the costs of the action.

Johnnie Nance was bound over for trial in Superior Court on a charge of assaulting a female. Bond set at \$500.

Frank M. Norris, Jr., was fined \$125 and costs for speeding 90 mph and \$50 of fine remitted on condition defendant complete Driver's Clinic course within the next 6 months.

Ronell Smith received a nol pros with leave on an amended charge of assault upon a female when he was committed to the State Hospital at Goldsboro.

Calvin E. Sullivan pled guilty to driving with improper equipment and was fined \$10 and costs with fine remitted.

Owen G. Tatum was fined \$35 and costs for speeding, with \$20 of fine remitted on condition defendant complete Driver's Clinic course within 60 days.

Fred Watts was fined \$25 and costs for public drunkenness.

George Watt pled guilty to public drunkenness and carrying concealed weapon, sentenced to 60 days on roads with sentence suspended on condition he remain sober and of good behavior for 2 years, plus costs of action and confiscation of weapon.

Sherwood Gore, charged with driving after license revoked, careless and reckless driving, and failing to stop for light and police siren, asked for jury trial and was bound over to Superior Court under \$200 bond.

Daniel L. Knox pled guilty to possession of apparatus for the manufacture of whiskey and possession of non-tax paid whiskey for sale, and drew 15-months on roads with sentence suspended on condition defendant not have whiskey-making apparatus, remain sober and of good behavior for 3 years and pay a fine of \$250 and costs.

Thomas Lee Allen paid \$10 and costs for driving too fast for conditions.

Albert Bogie was fined \$10 and the costs for driving with improper equipment.

Linwood Paul Cook was taxed with the costs for stop-law viola-

Maultsby Closes Customs Career

Josiah A. Maultsby is a full-time citizen of Whiteville again. For the past eight years he has been half New Hanover and half Columbus county, but his roots have always been deeply embedded in Whiteville and Columbus.

Last Thursday afternoon in the Customhouse in Wilmington, Maultsby administered the oath of office as Collector of Customs for North Carolina to Cutlar Moore of Lumberton. This was his final act as Collector. Maultsby assumed the post as

Olivia Everette paid \$10 and costs for failing to yield right-of-way.

Leroy Freeman paid \$10 and costs on a speeding charge.

Margin Frink was taxed with the costs for driving with expired chauffeur's license.

Collector of Custom for North Carolina September 23, 1953 by appointment of then President Eisenhower. His predecessor was John Bright Hill of Wilmington. Hill was present at the swearing-in ceremony and so was Charles M. Johnson, also a former Collector.

The now former Collector feels that his eight years in the position were not only pleasant and enjoyable but also a rewarding experience from both the personal as well as a service point of view.

"I leave the office," he said here Friday, "with the highest esteem for all of the 40 employees in the district. To a man, they were loyal and cooperative and I will not soon forget the cordial relationship that prevailed while I was the Collector." He recounted some of the more interesting yet little known facts



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about Customs work in the widespread organization in the state. In his first year as Collector, the Port of Wilmington had only 53 ships calling there and engaged in foreign commerce. Collections that year were 8.5 million. His last year there, over 400

Apply Business Methods

The decade of the 1950's saw farmers marketing larger quantities of farm products; (5) rapid changes in North Carolina agriculture take place faster than decline in farm tenancy; and (6) most people had expected large increases in the value of farms.

Dr. S. H. Hobbs Jr., a rural social economist at the University of North Carolina, believes that six basic trends stood out above all others. They were: (1) a rapid decline in the number of farms; (2) a "substantial" increase in the size of farms; (3) tremendous gains in mechanization and push button farming; (4) rapid trends towards large scale agriculture with fewer farms.

ships called and collections went above the \$14 million mark. But there are other interesting facets in the job: ports of entry, as has been developing in the Middle West in recent years. Dr. Hobbs also predicted that farmers who stay in business will be more highly trained and imaginative. Farmers will convert more imported plywood, for example, into their edible crops into livestock and poultry products. Within two months, Fremont had fewer and larger farm operations been relieved of his command, will be found in livestock,

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