



CHARGE: - First graders at McLaughlin School scattered last week to begin an Easter egg hunt.

**In District Court**

**Drunken Drivers And Traffic Cases**

Drunken drivers and other traffic offenders clogged the docket in District Court Friday, and a Fayetteville motorist was handed two six month jail terms.

Five persons pleaded guilty to driving under the influence (DUI), one was found guilty after pleading not guilty, and one defendant pleaded guilty to driving with .10 blood alcohol content. Two defendants pleaded guilty to lesser charges after DUI charges were dropped by the state.

Leroy McBryde, 38, of Fayetteville, pleaded guilty to two separate counts of DUI and was sentenced by Judge Joseph Dupree to two six month terms, to run concurrently. A Breathalyzer reading of .19 was recorded in one case, no Breathalyzer result was listed in the other charge.

Jerry K. Hughes, Asheboro, pleaded guilty to DUI (third offense) and was given 18 months, suspended for two years, placed on probation two years, ordered to give up his license and undergo alcoholic's rehabilitation, and fined \$500 and costs. Breathalyzer reading was .21, according to records.

William Wells, Jr., Lumber Bridge, pleaded guilty to DUI and the result was six months suspended for 18 months, probation ordered for 18 months, alcoholic's rehabilitation, and a \$150 fine and costs. Breathalyzer reading was .21, according to records.

Rufus A. Beatty, Rt. 1, Raeford, pleaded guilty to DUI and was sentenced to 90 days suspended for one year, placed on probation one year, ordered to surrender license one year, undergo alcoholic's rehabilitation, and fined \$150 and costs. A limited driving permit was issued. Breathalyzer reading was .17, according to records.

Glenn L. Barch, Red Springs, pleaded guilty to DUI (second offense) and a second charge of speeding 68 in a 55 mph zone. He was given six months suspended for two years, put on probation two years, ordered to undergo alcoholic's rehabilitation, told to give up his license for two years and fined \$250 and costs. No Breathalyzer result was listed.

William B. Paris, Red Springs, was found guilty of DUI and was sentenced to six months suspended for two years, put on probation two years, ordered to give up his license, told to undergo alcoholic's rehabilitation, and fined \$250 and costs. No Breathalyzer reading was listed.

Pleading guilty to operating a vehicle with .10 blood alcohol level was Wilton Holt, Fayetteville, who received 60 days suspended for 12 months, a limited driving permit, and \$100 fine and costs.

Pleading guilty to reckless driving

after DUI and a third charge of speeding 67 in a 55 mph zone were dropped by the state was Richard J. Vach, Jr. of Durham and Ocean City, Md. Vach was given 60 days suspended and fined \$100 and costs. Breathalyzer reading was .12, according to records.

Also pleading guilty to reckless driving after the state dropped DUI and a public drunkenness charge was Pfc. Steven L. Quick, Ft. Bragg, who received sixty days suspended and \$100 fine and costs.

Vonnie C. Lide, 515 Grant Ave., pleaded guilty to assault on a female and was given a prayer for judgment continued (PJC) for three years upon payment of court costs.

Benjamin Stephens, 520 E. Sixth Street, pleaded not guilty but the verdict was guilty to a charge of shoplifting a bottle of wine from the Raeford A&P. Stephens was given six months suspended for five years, \$25 fine and costs, on condition he not be convicted of larceny or shoplifting for the next five years.

John D. Wilkes, 710 Green Street, and his wife, Leola Wilkes, were found not guilty of using profane or indecent language. Wilkes was also found not guilty of resisting or obstructing an officer, and a third charge of simple assault was not prosecuted because the warrant was improper and the charge should have been assaulting an officer, according to court records.

Leonard Singletary, a Sandhills Youth Center inmate, was found not guilty of assault with a deadly weapon (ADW).

A number of persons pleaded guilty to various driving offenses. They were:

Albert H. Masland, Carlisle, Pa., reckless driving, 60 days suspended upon \$100 and costs, (aiding and abetting drunk driving not prosecuted); John S. Poole, 108 W. Prospect Ave., passing in marked intersection, PJC

upon payment of costs; Robert H. O'Neal, Rockingham, speeding 68 in a 55 mph zone, PJC for two years upon payment of costs; Melvin O. Malloy, Vass, 67 in a 55 mph zone, \$10 fine, costs.

Also, Trolie W. Bullard, Rt. 2, Raeford, 74 in a 55 mph zone, \$20 fine, costs; Jerry W. Harrell, Wilmington, 65 in a 55 mph zone, \$10, costs; Larry Jones, Fayetteville, stop sign violation, \$10, costs; Ray Roberts, Ft. Bragg, 70 in a 55 mph zone, \$15, costs; Wendell J. Percell, Rt. 1, reckless driving, 30 days suspended upon \$50 fine and costs, (speeding 82 in a 55 mph zone not prosecuted); William M. Bratcher, Rt. 1, speeding 80 in a 55 mph zone, 30 days suspended upon \$35 and costs; Mitchell F. Allen III, Charlotte, 65 in a 55 mph zone, PJC for two years upon payment of costs; and William E. Carter, P.O. Box 783, 65 in a 55 mph zone, PJC two years, ordered to pay costs.

Chester E. Carter, Red Springs, was found not guilty of driving while license revoked.

Three persons pleaded guilty to worthless check charges. They were:

Simon Headen, Jr., no address listed, \$4.59 check to Walter Parks, 30 days suspended upon restitution and costs, also \$44.53 check to Larry's Drive-in, 30 days suspended upon restitution and costs; Mattie C. Graham, Raeford, \$12 check to Blanton's Grocery, 30 days suspended upon restitution and costs; and Bill C. Bacote, Parkton, \$64.50 check to Beanny Weanny, 30 days suspended upon restitution and costs.

Lonzell Hodge, listed as from S. Ozone Park, N.Y., was called and failed forfeiting bond for speeding 74 in a 55 mph zone.

David K. Calhoun, Bessemer City, pleaded guilty to inadequate support and received PJC for five years contingent on weekly support payments set at \$15.

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by Thomas R. Burgess

DESIGNATION OF FLUE-CURED MARKETS - The sign-up period for flue - cured tobacco growers to designate markets for 1975 will close on April 4. As of Mar. 20, approximately 25 percent of the 1975 poundage quota had been designated.

All growers are urged to be sure and designate before the end of the sign - up period. Under the grower - designation program growers must designate warehouses at which they wish to sell before the sales season opens to be eligible for price support. Any amount

of the 1975 crop can be designated up to 110 percent of this year's farm quota.

The designation program was initiated in 1974. Most tobacco growers feel that the system did a lot to alleviate much of the congestion that had existed on flue - cured markets in recent years. The success of the program is dependent on all growers designating.

USDA ANNOUNCES 1975 FORESTRY INCENTIVES PROGRAM (FIP) - The U.S. Department of Agriculture has announced a 1975 Forestry Incentives Program (FIP) aimed at improving the nation's timber production by stimulating better forest management practices on the vast acreage of small private timber ownership tracts. The program will tentatively be funded at the \$25 million level authorized by Congress.

In its second year of operation, FIP will again be available in most states in specifically designated counties with high resource potential for increased timber production. Both annual and long - term agreements will be offered to eligible owners of nonindustrial private forest lands. Federal cost - sharing under these agreements will range from 50 to 75 percent of the cost

of carrying out tree planting and timber stand improvement practices. All FIP agreements must be based on forest management plans developed by the local forester in cooperation with the landowner.

FIP will be administered by the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service through its farmer - elected committee system. The Forest Service, in conjunction with state and district foresters, will provide technical assistance in developing forest management plans and servicing practices.

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