

Found Guilty By Jury

Woman Faces Possible Life Term

A young Raeford woman faces a possible life term after being found guilty of second degree murder by a jury here late Tuesday afternoon. She will not be sentenced until later in the week by Superior Court Judge Forrest Farrell.

Bertha McLean Hollingsworth, 27, was on trial for the knife slaying of James Edward Purcell, Box 182, Rt. 3, Raeford last June 2.

Area Incidents

Police Nab Youth

A city youth was arrested and charged with felonious possession of marijuana with intent to sell last Monday night.

Walter Lawrence Parks, 17, of 116 S. Wright St. was picked up about 9 P.M. by police officers C.E. Campbell, G.P. Brown, J. Ward and ABC officer J.K. Riley near the vicinity of the swimming hole at Rockfish Creek, according to police.

Approximately one quarter pound of marijuana, along with four rolled marijuana cigarettes, were in Parks' possession, police said. Another suspect, believed to be a white male, fled and is being sought.

Parks was jailed in lieu of \$5,000 bond to await a May 14 court appearance.

In other incidents, a 15-year old juvenile was picked up by police and charged in connection with the theft of a tape player and three tapes stolen from a car parked at the Gibson building of the high school on April 28. The goods, valued at \$58, were in a car belonging to Albert Peterson, Rt. 4, Box 346, Raeford.

Douglas Baker, Rt. 3, Box 318, Raeford, complained to police a CB radio valued at \$145 was stolen out of his car parked at the Gibson building sometime during the day April 29.

Lawrence Bounds, P.O. Box 789, Raeford, complained his home on McLean St. was entered sometime between Saturday and Monday and a Remington 12 gauge shotgun was stolen. No signs of forced entry were

Purcell was stabbed in the chest at the home of William and Sara Livingston in the Jones Hill section of the county.

Mrs. Hollingsworth is the granddaughter of the Livingstons.

Authorities recovered a knife near the scene with a six to eight inch blade.

An autopsy report indicated that

Purcell had been stabbed in the left chest with the knife going in from the front to back and slightly downward.

Testimony also indicated that Purcell had already been removed and taken to a doctor when authorities arrived.

In other action, Marion Singletary, 29, pleaded guilty to felonious voluntary manslaughter and to two counts of misdemeanor death by vehicles. For the manslaughter charge he was sentenced to not less than two years nor more than five. For the other charges, he was given two years for each charge.

James Liles, 21, pleaded guilty to felonious breaking and entering and was sentenced to not less than five years nor more than eight, suspended for five years, and placed on probation for five years and fined costs of court.

David Brooks, 17, pleaded guilty to felonious escape and was sentenced to six months to begin at the expiration of the present sentences.

James Earl Hunt, 42, pleaded guilty to DUI, (third offense), and two counts of DUI and was sentenced to 12 months.

Mary Jane Leach, was found not guilty of making a false report to a police officer.

John M. Clark pleaded guilty to misdemeanor possession of marijuana and the verdict was delayed and he was fined \$100 and costs and placed on probation for two years.

James Robert Riddle, was found guilty by jury of misdemeanor shoplifting and was sentenced to 30 days, suspended for two years, and fined \$35 and costs.

John Henry Love was found not guilty of speeding in excess of 35 in a 35 MPH zone and driving without a license.

James M. Holmes, 33, pleaded guilty of DUI and was sentenced to four years, suspended for two years, ordered not to drive for one

years and fined \$150 and costs.

Glenda Ann McLean, 21, pleaded guilty to voluntary manslaughter and was sentenced to not less than one year nor more than three years, suspended for three years, and was fined costs.

Joe T. Mounce, 17, pleaded guilty to felonious escape and was sentenced to six months to begin at the expiration of his present sentences.

Alexander Purcell, 21, pleaded guilty of perjury and was sentenced to twelve months. He also pleaded guilty to felonious breaking and entering and was sentenced to not less than two years nor more than three years. The twelve month sentence was to begin at the expiration of the three year sentence.

John E. Alford, 17, pleaded guilty to felonious breaking and entering and was sentenced to not less than three years, nor more than five years.

Herman Monroe Brown, 29, pleaded guilty to driving without a license, fictitious license, and driving while his license was revoked and was sentenced to 15 months.

Harold Dean James, 41, pleaded guilty to DUI (second offense) and transporting liquor with the seal broken and was sentenced to six months, suspended for three years and placed on probation for three years, ordered not to drive for two years and was fined \$500 and costs.

David Jones, 25, pleaded guilty to DUI (third offense) and driving while his license was revoked and was sentenced to not less than 15 months nor more than two years.

Arol H. Smith, 54, was found guilty by jury of two counts of possession for the purpose of sale of a quantity of malt beverage and two counts of unlawful sale of a quantity of malt beverage and was sentenced to 12 months, suspended for three years and was fined \$200 and costs.



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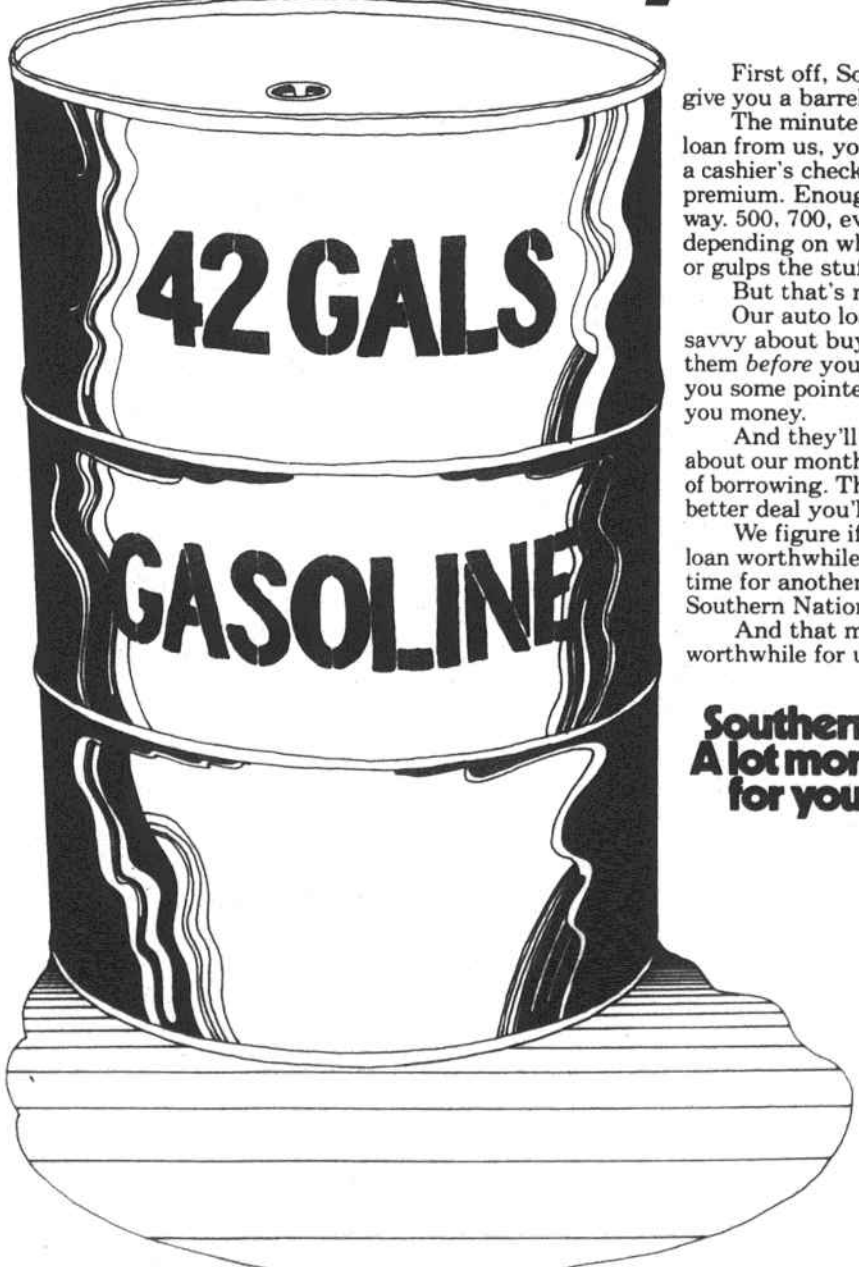
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**YARD OF THE WEEK**—The home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Turbeville in the South Hoke community was chosen as county yard of the week in judging by extension homemakers as part of the beautification campaign underway for May and June.

**Community Calendar**

Thursday, May 13 — Kiwanis Club at 6:30 P.M. at the Civic Center.

Monday, May 17 — Jr. Woman's Club at 7:45 at the Civic Center.

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