

RAPE CASE MAY BE RETURNED TO STATE COURT

Crime Said To Have Taken Place In Wilkes County INVESTIGATION MADE Tried In Court At Wilkesboro In December HALL WILL PROSECUTE

The charge of rape and kidnapping lodged against Marvin Bell, 22, and Vernon Litteral, 35, by F. B. I. agents will likely be transferred to the State Court and tried in Wilkes county, it was learned from Solicitor Avalon E. Hall, who will prosecute the two men.

Solicitor Hall, who is attending court in Avery county this week, was contacted yesterday and stated that his investigation and that of officials had determined that pretty brunette Peggy Shore, 15, was raped in Wilkes county on the night of August 23, after she had been kidnapped while walking to her home just west of Elk-in, after alighting from a bus. She was shoved into a car, blindfolded, and started on a night of horror with the two men, according to investigating officers.

In addition Litteral will likely have a charge of crime against nature lodged against him. The girl stated that Litteral, whom she did not know at the time repeatedly threatened to kill her, but that Bell, also a stranger to her then, kept him from further harming her. To add to her horror, she told officers, Litteral would kick the side of the car and tell her it was a machine gun and that he would blow her to pieces with it. She stated that Bell was the first to rape her, in the back seat of the car.

From Wilkes county they went to Bristol, Tenn., where she was dumped into a field and left. She struggled to a farm house, with her clothes almost all torn away and bloody. She was given aid and started to her home which she reached that night. For several days she was hysterical, but gave sufficient clues to officers to catch her attackers.

In the meantime Litteral had been sentenced to 60 days on the roads in Winston-Salem for violation of the prohibition laws. He was at Boone prison camp when removed to state central prison for safekeeping. Bell was arrested at his home near Roaring River in Wilkes county and placed in Yadkin jail. Both men are now being held without bond by Federal courts, in separate jails, but Solicitor Hall stated that the District Attorney's office had indicated the case was more properly one for the State courts.

Solicitor Hall stated yesterday he had asked Sheriff C. G. Poindexter of Wilkes county to swear out warrants against the two men, and that the cases would be docketed for the December term of Wilkes court.

Both men have made general confessions which fully corroborate the story told by Miss Shore. Bell has served time for liquor law violations and Litteral has been tried upwards of 40 times for various offenses in Forsyth, Yadkin and other counties.

Miss Shore is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Shore of the Pleasant Hill section, just west of Elk-in, in Wilkes county.

YADKIN YOUTH ROBS FATHER

Luther Ellis Williams, 20, Takes \$800 From Parent's Trunk

HELD UNDER \$300 BOND

Luther Ellis Williams, 20, arrested Friday on charges of stealing \$800 from his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Ellis Williams of Yadkinville Route 2, made bond for \$300 to the February term of court, according to Sheriff A. L. Inscore. He waived a hearing.

Williams was arrested by Sheriff Inscore and Guy Scott of the State Bureau of Investigation after his parents reported the theft of the money from a trunk in their home.

Upon finding that the youth had recently departed from the home, the two officers discovered him working at Winston Furniture Manufacturing Company. After his arrest, the boy admitted stealing the money over a period of months.

He had \$140 on his person and \$200 in a suitcase. The rest of the money had been spent on two wrist watches and diamond rings which he had given to girls.



HONORED BY VFW — William J. Jones, first Elkin soldier to be killed in action during World War II, will be honored next Wednesday night by the local Veterans of Foreign Wars post. The post has adopted the name of William J. Jones for its official title, and in a dedication ceremony at the YMCA will honor Mr. and Mrs. John B. Jones, Lt. Jones' parents.

WILL DEDICATE VFW POST 30TH

Thurmond Chatham To Be Speaker at Meeting Honoring Mr. and Mrs. Jones

IS NAMED FOR SON

A ceremony dedicating the local post of Veterans of Foreign Wars to Mr. and Mrs. John B. Jones, for whose son, William J. Jones, the post is to be named, will be held at the YMCA Wednesday, Oct. 30. Thurmond Chatham will be guest speaker.

Commander Earl Day has announced that the next seven days, ending Oct. 30, have been declared "VFW Week", during which time members of the post will conduct a membership drive.

Directly preceding the dedication ceremony, members will stand in front of the postoffice building. They will be in full uniform of the particular branch of service each individual represents.

The name of William J. Jones was selected for the post by virtue of the fact that Lt. Jones the first resident of Elkin to be officially declared killed in action during World War II. Mr. and Mrs. Jones will be the guests of honor.

LOCAL MEN ARE CRASH VICTIMS

M. H. Helton, of Jonesville, And Robert Warren, of Elkin Injured

HURTS ARE NOT SERIOUS

M. H. Helton, 61, of Jonesville, and Robert Warren, 48, of Elkin, were among eight persons injured in an automobile accident which occurred about one-half mile east of Ridgecrest last Friday morning.

Relatives of Mr. Helton here reported that he was not seriously hurt, having sustained a lacerated knee and a rather severe shaking up. Mr. Warren suffered cuts about the face.

According to State Highway Patrolman, Glenn Roberts, who investigated the accident, the car operated by Mr. Helton collided with another machine driven by Enley Earl Vance, 36, of Minneapolis, N. C. Mr. Helton said that the steering apparatus of his car became locked and forced him to the left side of the road into the path of Vance's car.

Others injured in the accident were Vance, face cuts; Cecil Vance of Wagramouth, West, Va., bruises; Mrs. Cecil Vance, 30, possible chest injuries; Mrs. Vernie Vance, 64, of Minneapolis, broken nose; Mrs. Inez Fair, 45, of Elk Park, possible internal injuries; and Mrs. Paul Cook of Elk Park, severe lacerations of the face.

All of the injured except Enley Vance were treated at the Mission Hospital in Ridgecrest. Mr. Vance was taken to the Veterans Administration hospital.

Folger To Speak At Mountain Park

John H. Folger, candidate for re-election to Congress on the Democratic ticket, will address a political rally at the Mountain Park school, tomorrow night (Friday) at 7:30 p. m.

The public is invited to attend this rally, which will mark the beginning of the current political campaign in the area.

A second rally, a county-wide affair, will be held Saturday night at Dobson, where Monroe Redden of Hendersonville will speak.

COUNCIL MEETS TO TALK OVER CO. NUTRITION

Endorse Soil Conservation Speaking Contest

FRANKLIN IS SPEAKER

To Make Survey Of Food Habits of Boys, Girls Between Ages 9-11

TREVATHAN PRESIDES

Twenty-one members of the Surry County Agriculture Workers Council met Monday in the Home Demonstration agent's office at Dobson to hear a discussion on public health by County Health Officers Dr. R. C. B. Franklin, to discuss a nutrition program, and to endorse the Soil Conservation Speaking Contest which will take place during the winter and early spring.

Dr. Franklin spoke on the inter-related work of the health department and other county agencies, and how they helped one another by closely cooperating. He added that the most outstanding advancement made by the health service in the past year was the addition of a county health nurse, who makes regular and scheduled visits to the county schools to look after the health of the children.

The council agreed to help Mrs. Grace P. Brown, Home Demonstration agent, in making a survey of the food habits of boys and girls between the ages of nine and 11 years. A cross-section of students of those ages in public schools will be observed for three consecutive days, and a report submitted from the findings.

The council also agreed to fully endorse and pledged support to the Soil Conservation Speaking Contest, which met with so much success last year. District contests will be held in the county in January and February. Finals of the event, as was the case last year, will be held in Elkin.

An announcement by C. G. Kirkman revealed that the meat canning plant at White Plains will hold a special meat canning day on Tuesday of each week. Persons wishing to take advantage of this opportunity to can their meat are urged to contact Mr. Kirkman and arrange for a date.

The meeting was presided over by President J. E. Trevathan. Mrs. Bess G. Davenport was elected secretary.



KIWANIS OFFICIALS — C. C. Poindexter, left above, was elected president of the Elkin Kiwanis Club at the Kiwanis meeting at the YMCA last Thursday night. Mr. Poindexter is serving during the present year as vice-president. Linville Hendren, right, was elected vice-president. New officials will take office early in January, 1947.

POINDEXTER TO HEAD KIWANIS

Linville Hendren Is Elected Vice-President Of Club At Last Meeting

TO HONOR VETERANS

At the meeting of the Elkin Kiwanis Club at the YMCA last Thursday evening, C. C. Poindexter was unanimously elected president of the club during 1947. Mr. Poindexter, who is now serving as vice-president, will succeed Hoke Henderson, who is now serving as president.

Linville Hendren was elected as vice-president, and Julius Hall was re-elected secretary. Directors elected for 1947 were: T. C. McKnight, Dr. E. G. Click, H. C. Graham, C. N. Myers, Clifton Leary, Ben Adair and Hubert Willis. Mr. Henderson, by virtue of his present office will automatically become a member of the board when his term expires in December.

At this evening's meeting (Thursday), the club will honor its members who served in the armed forces during the recent war. Dr. Click will be the speaker.

Members to be so honored are: J. Milton Cooper, Franklin Folger, Linville Hendren, O. William Mann and A. Lee Neaves.



Democrats Are Urged To Attend Executive Meet

The Elkin township Democratic Executive Committee, will meet this evening (Thursday), at 8:00 o'clock at the City Hall, it was announced Tuesday by W. M. Allen, chairman. Mr. Allen urged that all committee members be present, and stated that all other interested persons would be welcome. Important matters are to be discussed, he said.

COMER DEFENDS SCHOOL ACTION

States That He Had Tried A Year Ago To Bring About Needed Bus Repairs

BLAMES LOW SALARIES

Following a recent editorial in The Tribune, which Superintendent of Surry Schools, John W. Comer, termed "somewhat critical of his activities in relation to the school bus situation," Mr. Comer stated that he was held "virtually helpless" by existing conditions.

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WILL SPONSOR AIR SHOW HERE NOVEMBER 24TH

Event Will Be Staged By VFW And Lions Club

ALTERNATE DATE DEC. 1

World Champion Acrobatic Flyer To Take Part In Event; Other Big Acts

AT THE LOCAL AIRPORT

Co-sponsored by the local Veterans of Foreign Wars post and the Lions Club, an air show featuring the daring flying of Beverly Howard, world's champion acrobatic flyer since 1936, will be presented here at the Blue Ridge Airport November 24th or on an alternate date of December 1st, depending upon weather conditions favorable to flying.

Mr. Howard, president of the Hawthorne Flying Service with headquarters in Orangeburg, S. C., has held the acrobatic flying trophy continuously since 1936, and recently successfully defended it at the Cleveland Air Races for 1946.

Among many others on the program will be Jimmie Greenwood, a parachute jumper who specializes in delayed openings, and Charles W. Bing of Lynchburg, Va., another stunt specialist. A comedy act will be included.

VFW Commander Earl Day has announced that he has received telegrams from each of the performers stating their willingness to be here for the show.

Commander Day, David Brown, John Kelly and Russell Burcham constitute the VFW air show committee. Mr. Burcham is also head of the program committee. The Lions Club committee is headed by Glenn York. Walter Burgess, of the Chatham Manufacturing Company, has been appointed chairman of the steering committee.

Attorney Earl James has agreed to act as Master of Ceremonies.

FIVE ARE HURT IN AUTO CRASH

Two Automobiles Hit Almost Head-on On Straight Stretch of Highway

TAKEN TO HOSPITAL

Five persons were injured and two cars demolished about 10 o'clock Saturday morning near the Yadkin State prison camp when two cars hit almost head-on in a straight road.

Eugene Dinkins, 22, of Shacktown driver of a 1941 Chevrolet, was the worst injured of all. He had one leg broken in two places above the knee, was injured internally and got a number of cuts and bruises. His wife received a number of small cuts and bruises and severe shock. A brother, Claud Dinkins got a bad cut on the leg requiring 36 stitches to close, but Mrs. Dinkins, who before their marriage about two months ago, was Miss Joyce Hutchens of Yadkinville, and Claud were released from the hospital after first aid.

Lloyd McCollum, 25, driver of the other car, a 1934 Chevrolet, and a nephew, Rob Childress, riding with him are still patients at a Winston-Salem hospital. McCollum has a broken leg and arm, and Childress has the same.

A car driven by Marshall McKnight of Shaektown had just passed the Dinkins car, making a cloud of dust rise between the Dinkins and McCollum cars. Dinkins told officers when he saw McCollum he was almost on him. Deputy Sheriff Ed Wishon and State Highway Patrolman investigated the accident but no arrests have been made.

To Start Work On Dobson Building

Work is scheduled to begin today on the new Dobson school building, John W. Comer, superintendent of county schools, has announced. The new building is to replace one that was destroyed several years ago by fire and could not be replaced previously due to wartime shortages.

The contract for the construction of the building was let to the Fowler-Jones Construction Company of Winston-Salem. It is to be erected at an estimated cost of \$130,700.

Mr. Comer also announced that work will begin on agriculture buildings at seven of the county schools as soon as Architect John Franklin of Elkin completes plans and blueprints. The agriculture buildings will go up at the Franklin, Flat Rock, Beulah, White Plains, Pilot Mountain, Copeland and Mountain Park schools.

Shoppers Here Welcome Meat Reappearance

Registration Books Are Now At City Hall

Registration books for the November 5th general election are now open at the city hall, Registrar Dixie Graham has announced. The books will remain open through Saturday, Oct. 26.

Mr. Graham reminds voters that those who registered for voting in the Democratic primary elections last spring need not register again for the general election. Neither, he said, will it be necessary for those who have registered for and voted in previous general elections in this township to register again.

Those for whom it will be necessary to register, he says, are persons who have recently become eligible by virtue of age or citizenship, those who have recently transferred their residence to Elkin, and those persons who have never voted in previous elections.

WOODMEN WILL HOLD MEETING

Semi-Annual District Log Rolling Is To Be Held Here Saturday

ARE TO STAGE PARADE

Woodmen of the World will hold their semi-annual district Daniel Boone Log Rolling here Saturday, according to an announcement by R. L. Harpe, field representative.

Festivities will begin with a parade at 2 p. m., which will begin at the old bridge on Bridge street and conclude at the YMCA, where the remainder of the meetings will be held. Local merchants are invited to enter floats in the parade.

At 2:45 p. m. a business meeting will be held, and simultaneously the women's circle of the organization will assemble, also at the YMCA. A banquet will be held at 6:30 p. m. and Nick T. Newberry, State manager from Charlotte, will speak. Miss Blanche Aikin, State manager for the ladies, will also be present.

In the absence of Miss Ruby Carroll of High Point, district president of the Supreme Forest Woodmen Circle, Mrs. Goldia Steele, national representative and financial secretary of the Twin City Grove 25 of Winston-Salem, will preside over the ladies.

The public is invited to attend a three-act play, entitled "Always in Trouble," which will be presented at 8 p. m. at the YMCA in connection with the Log Rolling. Admission will be free.

ARE PLANNING FOR CAMPAIGN

Surry Infantile Paralysis Foundation Lays Groundwork For Campaign

OFFICIALS ARE NAMED

Preparing for the March of Dimes Drive, which will get under way in January, the Surry County Infantile Paralysis Foundation met recently in Dobson to reorganize and discuss plans.

It was announced at the meeting that a state-wide conference will take place tomorrow in Charlotte, opening at 10 a. m. and continuing until 4:30 p. m. Key members of the state and national headquarters will be present, and Dr. Ralph McDonald, chairman of the state organization will address the group. State Representative Phillip S. Randolph will also be present.

Officers of the county foundation are John W. Comer of Dobson, chairman; Sam Neaves of Elkin, vice-chairman; Bausie Marion of Dobson, secretary and treasurer. The board of directors includes J. F. Yokley of Mount Airy, chairman, Dr. R. C. B. Franklin, Roger Marshall of Elkin, and Wilkerson Gordon of Pilot Mountain.

Butchers Admit Price About 20c Above Ceiling

Despite the boost in price occasioned by a release of OPA ceilings, most local shoppers are greeting the reappearance of meat with whetted appetites and open pocketbooks, a survey of Elkin's major meat markets reveals.

The price of beef, most butchers admit, is about 20 cents a pound above the abolished ceilings. Few shoppers are openly complaining, however, since most of them seem too happy about being able to have meat once again.

Little if any pork is appearing on the market. Most counters contain only beef and veal, and that raised locally. Western beef, the butchers predict, will begin to come in through the big packing houses in about a month. It takes some time, they point out, to slaughter and process western cattle, a great portion of which comes through Omaha, Neb., and Chicago, Ill.

The pork picture is somewhat darker. While cattle have continued in fair abundance, the shortage being caused by the refusal of breeders to sell on the market, the production of hogs has considerably declined. There just aren't as many pigs as there once were.

Reason for this, in the grocers' opinion, is that farmers found that they could make a higher profit by selling their corn, which would have normally gone for feeding hogs, direct. The price of grain soared while pork prices remained relatively low. So farmers reduced the number of hogs they had been raising and let the feed go for a higher profit.

More pork is expected on the market within about 60 days, but a normal supply will not be available for some time, it seems.

This, of course, goes for lard, fat meat for seasoning, and other pork by-products. Canned and cured meats will also remain on the list of scarce items for some time, since it takes time to prepare such products for distribution, and, too, because most cured meats are of the pork variety.

And there goes the fond dream most persons have been entertaining of having an abundance of bacon with their scrambled eggs in the morning.

The dealers agree that no buyers' strike seems to be apparent, but some have observed that a few

ELKS TO PLAY N. WILKESBORO

To Face Wilkes Team There Friday After Defeating Jonesville 26 To 0 Here

"MIDGETS" SEE ACTION

Elkin high school launched a four touchdown attack against a less experienced but stubborn Jonesville eleven here last Friday afternoon to win the game 26-0. Bob Ratledge led the locals with two touchdowns.

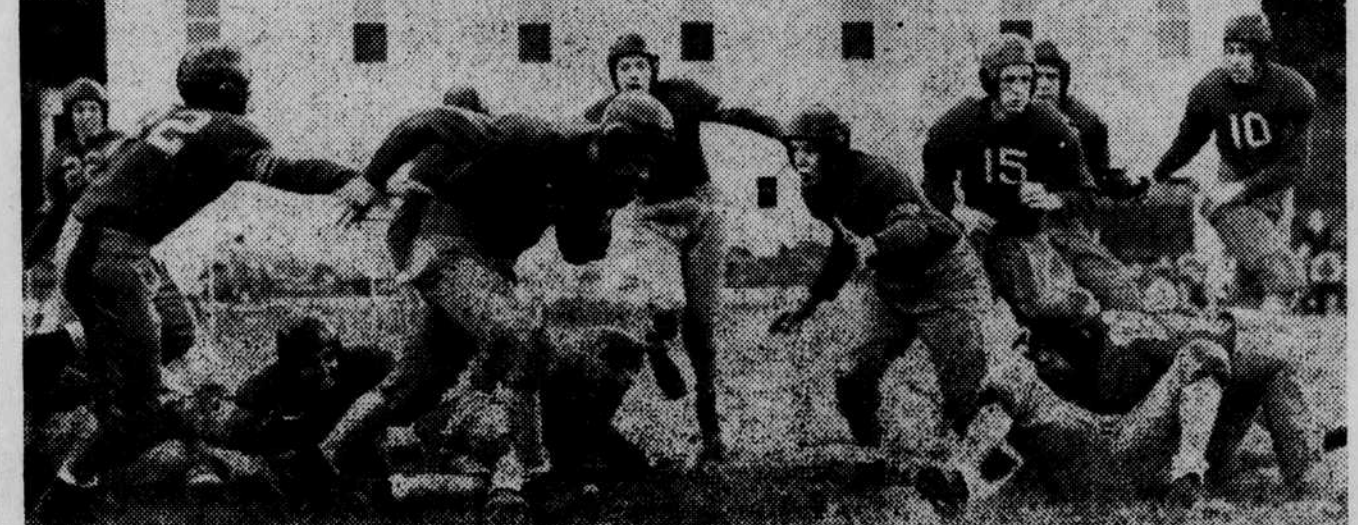
Jonesville, playing its first season, fought back gamely, but was unable to cope with the Elks, although they threatened in the fourth quarter with a drive close to the Elkin goal line.

After a drive from the 40 up to 10 yard line, Bob Ratledge ran 10 yards to score for Elkin. His second score came when he galloped off six more yards for pay dirt after a 35 yard drive, to make the score 12-0.

Fred Ratledge plunged over in the second period to score, and in the third period Bob Ratledge threw a 20-yard pass to Bob Lawrence who ran 15 yards to score. Osborne made good two placement kicks.

Elkin's "Midget team" made up of small but determined youngsters who will be the stars of tomorrow, saw action during the game and did themselves proud considering their size and weight.

The Elks will go to North Wilkesboro Friday afternoon for a game with North Wilkesboro high school, which is scheduled to start at 2:30 o'clock. Jonesville will meet Flat Rock here this afternoon (Thursday), on the Elkin field.



ELKS WIN OVER JONESVILLE ELEVEN 26-0—The Buckin' Elks of Elkin high school last Friday defeated a game but less experienced Jonesville eleven 26-0 at the gymnasium field here. Top photo above shows Fred Ratledge (10), as he skirted right end to pick up yardage for the Elks. Delos Martin (8), is coming in to stop him on the play. In center photo, Harris, Jonesville, plunges across the right end of the Elkin line, to be stopped by J. Park (12), and Blackburn, who is shown coming in on the play with arm outstretched. Sam Shugart, center facing camera, is coming in to offer aid if necessary, while Webster, (15), and D. Vestal, (10), both of Jonesville, approach the scene of action. Bottom photo shows Fred Ratledge, Elkin, carrying the ball, flanked by his brother, Bob Ratledge, on a run which picked up needed yards. Bobby Vestal, (5), Harris (21), and Day, (7), of the Jonesville team, rush to intercept Ratledge. Brady Osborne, Elkin, center on ground, throws a block in front of Harris. —Tribune Photos.