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Mallard Family Meets On Anniversary Of Its Best Known Members



Here is pictured four generations from one of Jones County's best known and most populous families. At the right in front is Mrs. Macy E. Mallard, widow of the late John W. Mallard, who on May 15th celebrated her 89th birthday anniversary. To the left in front is her son, W. G. Mallard, who also celebrated his 61st anniversary on the same occasion. In the rear is Mrs. T. J. Tucker, daughter of Mr. Mallard, and beside here is her daughter, Doris Tucker.

Mrs. Macy E. Mallard, widow of the late John W. Mallard and mother, grandmother and great-grandmother to one of Jones County's best known and most prolific families, was guest of honor last Sunday (May 15) when of her 14 living children were hosts at a dinner given at the home of her oldest son, W. G. Mallard. Nearly 150 children, grandchildren and great grandchildren and other relatives were on hand to wish Mrs. Mallard many happy returns on the occasion of her 89th birthday anniversary. The event also honored her son who was celebrating his 61st birthday anniversary.

Mrs. Mallard has 14 children, 41 grandchildren and 23 great-grandchildren and the majority of these were present for her anniversary. Also present were Mrs. Mallard's only brother, Joe Richardson of Raleigh and her only sister, Mrs. Alice Jones, of Beulaville. Both of these brought along members of their immediate family.

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The dinner was served picnic style in the shade of a pecan grove in her oldest son's front yard and Free Will Baptist Minister Burkette Raper gave thanks for the bountiful spread. A three-tiered cake was the center piece of the table.

PRE-SCHOOL NOTE

All parents who have children to start to school next year that have not yet been examined for pre-school entry are asked to bring them to the health department's office in the court house at Trenton or Kinston in the next few days. The State law requires that all children be given a pre-school examination before they can enter school. In addition to the examination the children also will receive immunization against smallpox, diphtheria, and whooping cough.

BIRTHDAY NOTICE

Traditionally it has been women who have been accused of "aging slowly", but now there is a reason that tends to slow down birthday anniversaries of the "male animal". When young men reach the age of 18 it is necessary, under existing law, that they register with the nearest office of the Selective Service System — Draft Board for short. The Jones County office of the draft board is over V. L. Pollock's store and the Lenoir County office is on the third floor of the court house. Young men who reach the age of 18 and fail to register for the draft are subject to a \$10,000 fine or five years in prison.

AMERICAN LEGION PRESENTING AWARDS TO JONES GRADUATES

When commencement exercises are conducted this week in the high schools of Jones County an outstanding student from each of the four schools will be presented a medal by a representative of the American Legion.

At Trenton High School John Larkins, Jr., will make the presentation. At Comfort the medal will be given by D. W. Koonce. At Pollockville J. W. Creagh, Jr., will make the presentation and in Maysville W. C. Flowers, Sr., will make the award.

COMFORT SENIORS TO PRESENT 'THE GYPSY WILL TELL' THURSDAY

The Senior Class of Comfort High School will present "The Gypsy Will Tell Us" as their class night exercise. The program will begin at 8:30 Thursday. All members of the Senior Class will take part in the play and the gypsy singers will be made up of representatives from other classes.

The setting will be in a drug store where the seniors meet and retrace the past twelve years. Marjorie Taylor and Ruth Jenkins do this very effectively, as they review the class history. In the same scene Nell Noble gives the Last Will and Testament. Rodger Philyaw, a Junior, will surprise the seniors by reading to them the class superlatives.

In the second act the Seniors find themselves in a beautiful and enchanted forest where Gypsies live and sing. Daphne Davis, a Junior, acts as the Gypsy fortune teller, and reveals to the Seniors their life in years to come. The singers are accompanied by Martha Turner at the piano.

Other interesting and enjoyable events of the evening will be the giftorians, Braxton and Edward Howard, and a duet by Sadie Eubanks and Christine Small. Mrs. Frank Chapman is Senior director.

TWO BAD CHECKS

Jasper Jones and Eddie Kornegay were both hailed to court last week on charges of passing worthless checks. Both were ordered to pay the check and court costs by Magistrate J. K. Dixon.

In Flanders' Field By COLONEL JOHN McCRAE

In Flanders' fields the poppies blow
Between the crosses, row on row,
That mark our place: and in the sky
The larks still bravely singing fly,
Scarce heard amidst the guns below.

We are the dead.
Short days ago we lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,
Loved and were loved and now we lie
In Flanders' Fields.

Take up our quarrel with the foe,
To you from failing hands we throw
The Torch — be yours to hold it high;
If ye break faith with us who die
We shall not sleep though poppies grow
In Flanders' fields.

NOTE ON LICENSE

Between now and the end of June every person whose last name begins with either H, I, J or K must renew his driver's license. Also all persons who use chauffeurs' license must renew them in the same length of time. In Jones County the driver's license examiner is in the court house each Friday from 9 until 5. In Kinston the examiner is at the city hall every day in the week except Thursday. Those who fail to secure their renewals now will be handicapped by the usual last-minute rush during the last two weeks of June. Persons in these two categories who do not renew their licenses will be subject to a \$25 fine and court costs if they are caught driving in North Carolina after midnight June 30th.

A new outbreak of foot-and-mouth disease one quarter of a mile south of the northern quarantine line in Mexico was reported to the Bureau of Animal Industry last week.

CLASS GIVES A RECITAL ON 19TH

The music class of Mrs. V. L. Pollock gave an informal program in the auditorium of the Alex H. White school in Pollockville May 19th.

Members of the class rendered piano solos and duets. Several girls from the primary grades gave two songs accompanied by Sheila Scott and Mrs. Pollock. The program closed with three selections by Mrs. Pollock and a song by the class.

Students taking part in the program were Shirley Bender, Nancy Alcock, Shirley Howard, Mary Ann Williams, Geraldine Hargett, Sheila Scott, Arthur Stoddard, Carl Killingsworth, Clara Pelletier and Frances Parker, the two latter being advanced students while the others are beginners.

NON-SUPPORT CHARGE

Irene Eubanks brought Elvin Parker to court on a charge of abandonment and non-support May 19. He is under a \$100 bond until Superior Court.

Jones County Sherriff Has Been An Officer In The County For 21 Years

(Editor's note: This is the first of a series of articles that will appear in the Jones Journal on the members of the county's official family.)

Jeter B. Taylor has served as a law enforcement officer in Jones County for the past 18 years; the last three of these years he has been the sheriff. Before that he served 18 years as deputy sheriff.

Taylor is a native of Beaver Creek Township and he is one of four children born to John and Sarah Harrison Taylor. His sisters Neva and Nannie and one brother, Blake Taylor, still, like the sheriff remain in their native county. Neva Taylor married Burrell McDaniel and Nannie Taylor married Carl Gray.

Back before Taylor took up law enforcement work he took time out from work on the farm to do a bit of courting and married Hortense Oxley. They have two children, Margaret, who married Ervin Holloman, and Jeter B. Taylor, Jr.

Taylor being a native of the county and having served more than two decades in the sheriff's department, keeps a mighty close eye on practically everything happening in the county.

Jones is a peaceful county so consequently the number of violent crimes is few and the Sheriff's time is largely spent in an effort to keep the minor offenders such as drunks, bootleggers and moonshiners on the run.

One of the reasons for the little crime in the county can very easily be the efficiency of Taylor and his two deputies, P. W. Collins at Maysville and C. M. Griggin at Comfort.

Last week the writer had called to his attention the fact that two



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men and two women that had been run out of Kinston had set up a disorderly house in the edge of Jones County near Wyse's forks. When the writer called it to Taylor's attention it was a pleasure to learn that the quartet had already been chased out of the county.

Taylor, like all country peace officers, is no Sherlock Holmes, but he keeps order very well due to his knowledge of the people in every nook and corner in the county.

Taylor served his apprenticeship under J. R. Westbrook and J. W. Creagh.