

Jones Votes All Yes For Cotton Controls; Names AAA Officials For 1950

TRENTON'S MASONIC LODGE CELEBRATES 125 YEARS THURSDAY

The Zion Lodge No. 81 of the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons marked its 125th Anniversary with a special celebration on Thursday night in Trenton. The 78-member lodge had 150 masons present, with the visitors from 15 Masonic lodges as far away as Atlantic. The special guest of the celebration in the Trenton American Legion Building was William J. Bundy, past grand master of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina, who addressed the gathering.

Following dinner at 6 p. m. the ceremonies were opened by Zion Lodge's Worshipful Master John Hughes Pollock, and welcome to guests was given by George R. Hughes, with a response from A. A. Kafer, Jr.

A history of the Zion Lodge was related by H. M. Mallard, who gave many interesting quotes from old minutes of the lodge. He revealed that the charter was issued December 19, 1824 to "Trent" and not Trenton, and that the boundaries set by it were east to the rising sun, west to the setting sun, south to Page's (now Brock) Pond and north to the Trent River.

The community committee men elected in the townships on Thursday, and named here in order of chairman, vice-chairman and members are: White Oak—James B. Henderson, Clarence M. Matlocks, and Guy N. Jones, Jr.; Pollocksville—H. P. Waller, W. R. Bender and W. J. Johnson; Trenton—James B. Henderson, Wilmer E. Mallard and J. T. Stillely; Cypress Creek—D. E. Andrews, Billy Wiggins, and E. L. Metts; Tuckahoe—W. J. Jones, R. Lee Fordham, and A. B. Howard; Chinquapin—Ralph Scott, Nathan Gilbert and James Nicholson; and Beaver Creek—J. T. Davenport, Linwood Pollock and Walton Daughety.

WORK IS BEGUN ON COMMUNITY CENTER AT POLLOCKSVILLE

The foundation work has begun and the concrete blocks for the construction are bought for the Pollocksville Community Building. The project will be carried through to completion without pause, although funds have not yet been raised in sufficient amount to pay the entire cost.

A little more than \$1,700 has been collected from pledges to date, but the final need, even with much donated building material and labor, is expected to be at least twice that amount. The fund-raising campaign will continue, and that effort is expected to keep pace with the building of the 32 by 70 foot structure.

CONVALESCING

Patrolman L. S. Meggs of Maysville, who has recently undergone a major operation at the Veterans Administration Hospital in Fayetteville for a stomach disorder, is now back in his home and reportedly getting along fine. During his absence from Jones County the county was without a patrolman, since no replacement has yet been assigned. Trenton to take the place of Bill Clagon, who was promoted to sergeant and transferred to...

Jones County farmers cast 49 yes votes and not a single no for the imposition of cotton acreage controls on Thursday. In the same referendum voting 568 farmers voted in the election of 21 community Triple-A committeemen and seven delegates and alternates to the county convention on Friday night in Trenton.

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A general survey of the Thursday voting for the community committeemen and delegates revealed a normal vote in six of the seven townships, most ranging in the fifties and sixties. But in one township—Chinquapin—the normal vote tripled with 195 ballots in the face of unusual vote-gathering activity. No effect of the activity was evident in the remaining six townships, however, with only one—Tuckahoe—casting as high as 84 votes.

The yes vote cast by 49 out of some 60 eligible cotton farmers will peg Jones County's acreage at some 700 acres, only about 12 and one-half per cent of the averages of past years when the acreage at one time reached 5,800 acres, Barker said.

Premature Baby Moves From Jones to Lenoir

Little Hazel Jane Hill, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Hill, was born too early on November 7, but has made great gains and covered a lot of ground since that time. Her latest move has been from her home in Jones County to a new one in the Baltimore Section of Lenoir County, near La Grange. Her first move was to the premature baby center of the State Board of Health in Wake Hospital. At birth the baby weighed only three pounds and six ounces, but since that time has nearly doubled her weight to five ounces. Jones County Health Nurse Mrs. Leon Simmons has reported.

SEED CLEANING REACHING PEAK



The activity shown above taking place at the rear of the Jones County Agriculture Building in Trenton is getting in high gear now. It is in the cooperative Seed Exchange of the county. Feeding the massive machine with bags of lespedeza seed produced by Jones County farmers is Thomas Stillely, who has charge of the operation of the plant. Examining the lot going through is County Agent A. V. Thomas. The six-year-old ex-

change cleans from 75,000 to 100,000 pounds of lespedeza seed each year, and 150,000 pounds of soy beans, much of it a money crop for the producers. The heavy harvest this year is expected to bring a peak operation to the plant. Beginning now a smaller machine in the exchange will be cleaning local tobacco seed for the county's growers. (Whitaker-Leffew Photo)

Santa Gets Tremendous Welcome From Throng In Trenton's Parade

TRENTON WOMAN'S CLUB HAS ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY

The Trenton Woman's Club held its annual Christmas party for members and guests at the clubhouse last Thursday evening.

The club room was attractively decorated for the Christmas season.

Miss Eleanor Brock, assisted by Mrs. D. M. Griffin and Mrs. J. K. Dixon, Jr., planned and directed the entertainment. The group was asked to join in a period of Christmas fun, including games, contests and carols.

Refreshments of punch, holiday cookies, candy and nuts were served by the hostesses, Mrs. J. H. Pollock and Mrs. T. M. Wooten.

Christmas Turkey Shoots

A series of Turkey Shoots is now going on in Lenoir and Jones Counties to give marksmen a chance to get an inexpensive turkey for their Christmas dinner. Two more shoots remain in the series being put on by Bunk Jones of Deep Run. On Thursday the target shooting will begin at 9 a. m. at Daughtery's Store near Sasser's Mill in Jones County. The remaining Lenoir County shoot will take place at 9 a. m. Friday at Bill Byrd's Store at Pink Hill.

NEED A BULL?

Extension Department Livestock Specialist Raymond Upchurch says he has contact now with several persons who have Hereford bulls for sale. Any person interested in obtaining one of these animals for his herd, either grade or registered, may be able to fill his wants by contacting Upchurch.

Santa Claus came to Trenton publicly on Friday afternoon for the first time since before World War II, and some 2,500 persons were on hand to welcome him in the procession of 10 decorated floats and a number of marching units. The county schools were turned out early for the children to participate in the greeting and handsome floats prepared by them were evidence of long preparation.

The parade greeted Santa at the west end of the town and then wound through the business district, circled down by the river and came to a halt in front of the Courthouse. Santa talked to the youngsters there and passed out hundreds of bags of fruit and candy, as the sound truck unit of the parade played traditional Christmas music.

In the parade the guard of honor, comprised of Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts and American Legionnaires, led the procession. The floats which followed were those of the 4-H Club, Future Farmers of America, Veterans Farm Training Program, the Trenton High School, a junior Santa on a float drawn by a

white horse, Santa himself on a float drawn by two black horses Trenton Negro School, and the Jones County Negro Veterans Training Program. The marching units were a mixed choir from the Trenton High School, the Boys' Choir from the High School, the Negro Shrine Club, Negro American Legionnaires, and fourth and fifth grade youngsters singing carols. In an auto was Mayor C. C. Jones, State Senator John D. Larkin, Jr., and members of the town council.

The idea of the invitation to Santa Claus originated this year with R. L. Edwards, who was named to head an impromptu merchants committee to make the arrangements. The overwhelming welcome given Santa paralyzed downtown Trenton on Friday afternoon.

The decorated floats were all of general excellence and all in the Christmas theme. Included among them was a globe of the world surrounded by costumed carol singers, a family Christmas scene, and Santa had his chimney and fireplace with goodies piled in front of it. Commercial floats in the parade were those of the Brock Motor Company, Trenton, and the West Machinery Company of Kinston, which created a great stir with its bear-driven International tractor. No prizes were awarded for the best among the gaily decorated floats.

FARM BUREAU IN JONES NAMES NEW OFFICERS FOR 1950

New officers and directors of the Jones County Farm Bureau were elected at the annual meeting of the organization in the Trenton Agriculture Building last week on December 9. The new president is R. P. Bender of Pollocksville, and his vice-president is W. E. Phillips of Trenton Route 2. Thomas Stillely of Trenton is the secretary-treasurer.

The township directors elected were Eugene Simpson, White Oak; W. G. Mallard, Pollocksville; J. K. Dixon, Jr., Trenton; Joe Pollock, Cypress Creek; R. L. Fordham, Tuckahoe; W. W. Lowery, Chinquapin; and E. H. Pollock, Beaver Creek.

SHOPPING WEEK LEFT
ROAD MAP
BUY CHRISTMAS SEALS!