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Court Slowed by Three Mistrials Still Removes 17 Docketed Cases

Yield Down, Price Up But Net Is Still Off For Jones Tobacco Crop

The extremely dry summer dropped the per-acre yield of Jones County tobacco in 1953 by 26 pounds to the acre, but an increase in average price received from 50 to 60 cents per pound caused the gross tobacco receipts in the county to be only \$94,830.06 less in '53 than in '52.

The entire 1953 crops grown in Jones County sold for \$6,179,234.62 against \$6,274,064.68 the year before.

In 1952 the per acre yield was 1337 pounds over the county. Last year it dropped to 1311 pounds per acre.

Last year 10,270,534 pounds were produced against 11,196,158 in 1952.

Cypress Creek Township led the other six townships of the county by a considerable margin in the per-acre yield last year and was also one of the three townships in the county to average the top 61-cent-per-pound-average. It had a per acre yield of 1406 pounds and a total production of 1,061,146 pounds that sold for \$668,744.34.

Tussock Township had the next highest yield per acre with 1393 pounds and a total of 1,011,843 pounds that sold for \$593,055.26 at the high 61 cent average.

Beaver Creek Township came in next with a 1336-pound-per-acre yield which sold for a 60 cent average, yielding \$943,092.98

for the 1,558,390 pounds grown in the entire township.

Chinquapin Township came in fourth with a yield of 1323 pounds to the acre, selling at a 61 cent average and bringing \$968,191.24 for the 1,584,273 pounds produced.

As usual the western half of the county out-produced the eastern half.

The three townships in the eastern part of the county brought up the rear with the per-acre yield, although Trenton and Pollockville were ahead in the dollars and cents received because they have more acres planted to tobacco.

Trenton Township, in fifth spot, sold its 1,854,175 pounds for \$1,106,183.85 at an average of 60 cents per pound and had a yield of 1246 pounds per acre.

Pollockville Township came in sixth with a 1232-pound-per-acre yield which brought \$1,095,800.95 at a 58 cent average for the 1,895,871 pounds grown. Pollockville Township had the lowest yield per acre with 1183 pounds and a total of 1,011,843 pounds that sold for \$593,055.26 at the high 61 cent average.

White Oak Township with the smallest acreage of tobacco also had the smallest per-acre yield of 1221 pounds which grossed \$94,918 pounds and selling at a 60 cent average this brought in \$417,162.94.

Although "production" was cut considerably in last week's term of Superior Court in Lenoir County by three mistrials Judge Paul Frizzelle of Snow Hill and Solicitor Watler Britt of Turkey, managed to wade through a good many cases on the court's calendar. Seventeen cases were cleared from the docket in spite of nearly half of the court's week being consumed by three cases that resulted in mistrials.

A jury "hung" at eight for conviction and four for acquittal in the case charging Retired Kinston Businessman Otis Paschall with shooting a pet Boxer dog of Milan Muzinich.

Another eight-for-conviction-and-four-for-acquittal jury resulted in a mistrial of the manslaughter charge against Ruth Elizabeth Thompson who was indicted following the highway death of 14-year-old Bobby Gene Sandlin on October 23, 1953.

The third mistrial came with the final case of the week when Solicitor Britt made an objectionable remark before the jury impanelled to try Carl "Tebo" Harter of the Irving's Cross-section on an assault charge.

The calendar included the following: Lou L. Burton, drunken driving, nolle prosequi with leave (Burton is now in Korea with the Marine Corps and this judgment permits the case to be reopened if he returns to Lenoir County); Evans Pickett Boney, drunken driving, \$100 fine and court costs; Gordon Lee, drunken driving, \$100 and court costs; Nathan Nobles, driving after license revocation, not guilty; Quincy Clark, speeding and reckless driving, 12 months (Clark was freed) under a \$1,000 bond for 30 days to wind up his business affairs before beginning his prison term.

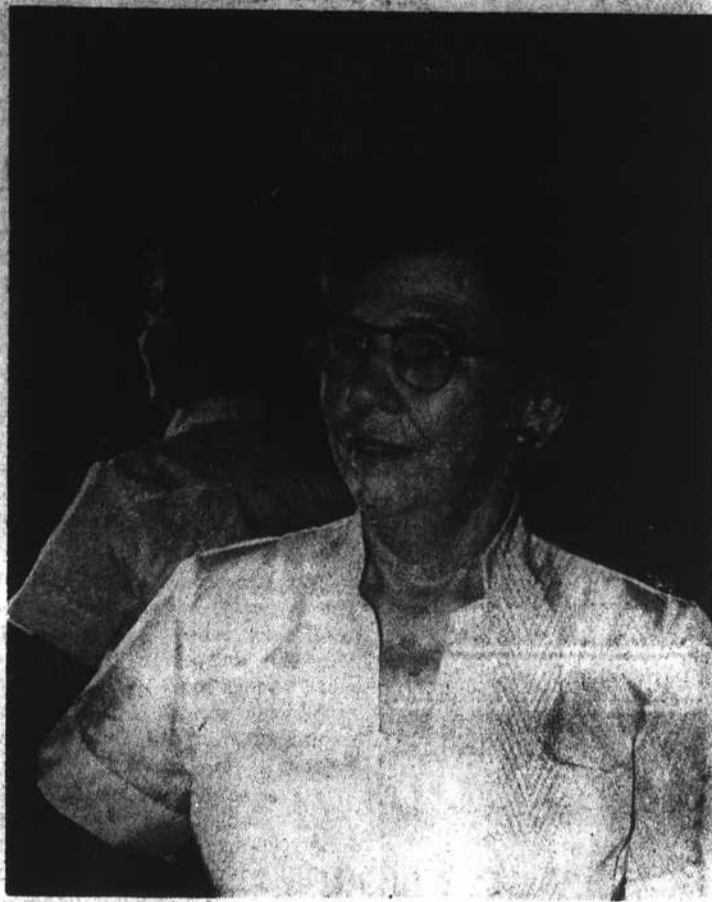
Sam Faulkner, speeding, not guilty; Warren L. Kilpatrick, drunken driving \$100 and costs; Harold Hawkins, assault nolle prosequi with leave (Hawkins is in State Prison); Nelson Howard, violating the liquor laws, 12 months; Lynwood C. Dail, forgery, pay Carrow Buick Company \$12 and surrender driver's license for five years; Mary Phillips, assault with deadly weapon, not guilty.

Fletus J. Collier, assault with a deadly weapon, not guilty; Herbert Arnold, John Andrew Jarman, Steve Clark and Welling Coples all charged with assault with a deadly weapon were ordered to pay \$130 hospital bill of Jim Powell and remain on probation for five years—a 90 day road sentence was suspended for each on acceptance of this verdict.

Roland Kornegay was convicted of manslaughter in the pistol death of Edward Butler but due to what Judge Frizzelle termed "many extenuating circumstances" Kornegay was given a 2 to 3 year jail term which was suspended on payment of \$700 to Butler's widow and a five year term of probation.

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Meet The Dean



Mrs. R. W. Horton, Dean of Beauticians

Mrs. R. W. Horton, who is a lot better known as "Ollie," has had her Lenoir Beauty Parlor single hanging out at 107 East Caswell Street since 1929 which rank her as the Dean of Kinston's beauticians — certainly among women. Beautician Herbert Leary may have started "beautifying" the Eastern Carolina female a little ahead of Mrs. Horton but she has been regularly at this work, and in the same location now for 30 years.

Mrs. Horton, who was born in Macon, Georgia, as Ollie Stubbs came to Kinston in 1926 but it was not until 1929 that she started the career that has made her dean of the local beauty parlor operators.

Mrs. Horton recalls that her first efforts along this beautifying line were made with Mrs. J. P. Godwin with whom the initial shop was set up in one room of Mrs. Godwin's home at 607 East Gordon Street.

Mrs. Horton recalls that after a few months in this location they moved to 107 East Caswell and not too long after that Mrs. Godwin withdrew from the venture and left it to Mrs. Horton alone.

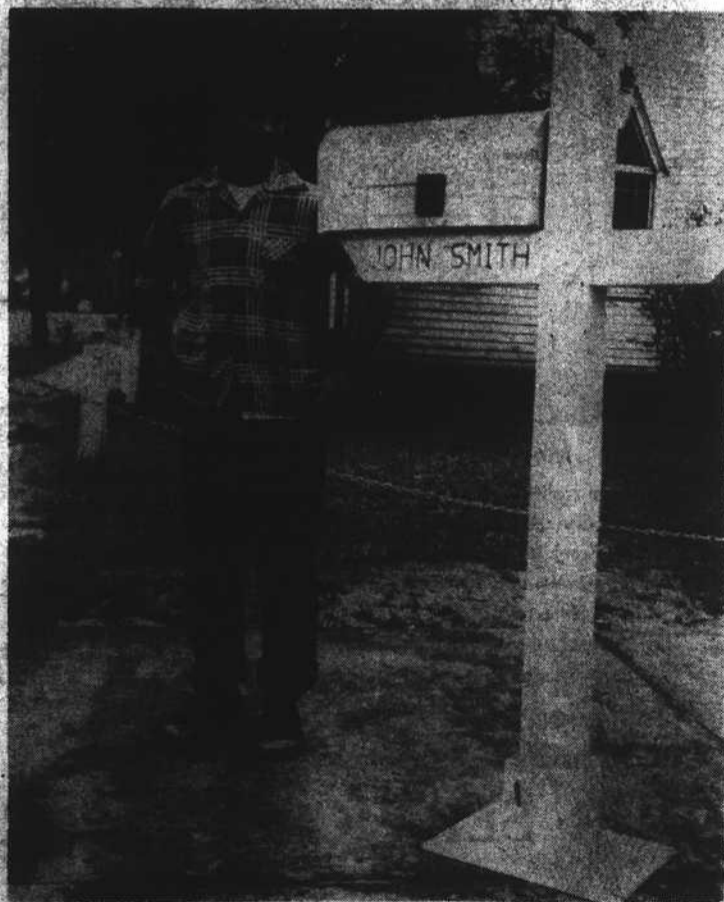
Thirty years is too much for Mrs. Horton's memory to encompass and she cannot remember the name of the first woman who got a "permanent wave" at her hands. She says, "I was too nervous and my knees were knocking too loudly for me to remember who got that first wave. All I remember is how nervous I was."

Mrs. Alton Pittman (Mildred Fulcher at that time) was the first operator to work with Mrs. Horton in the 107 East Caswell location. Mrs. Bill Daws then Wera Stubbs, a niece) also started at an early age helping Mrs. Horton.

When Mrs. Horton began her work as a beautician the work largely consisted of putting

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4-H Salesman Views Main Project



Here Jones Central High School 4-H Club Project Chairman Ray Durham is seen beside a "sample" of the type rural mailbox which is being offered to Jones Countians as part of the overall beautification effort by 4-H'ers in the county. An all-out effort, spiced by prizes to top mailbox salesmen, has been made during the entire month of January. Orders for these attractive and substantial mailboxes are still accepted and everybody who has not yet placed an order is urged to contact any 4-H Club member in the county and help his club win the prize for top sales. (Polaroid Photo-in-a-minute by Jack Rider).

'He Floats Through the Air' for C T & T



"Floating Through The Air With the Greatest of Ease" above is Carolina Telephone and Telegraph Company Linesman J. E. Johnson seen as he was putting some of the finishing touches on a large new cable that will serve the western section of Kinston beyond College Street. This cable which carries over 300 lines is part of the current half-million dollar expansion program of this company in Kinston which upon completion is expected to greatly improve local telephone service as well as make available more private lines in those areas where at present only party-line service is available. (Polaroid Photo-in-a-minute by Jack Rider).