

## Third Jones Auto Death of 1954 Claims Five Year Old on Saturday

Five-year old Thelma Ann Morris, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James E. Morris of the Oliver's Crossroads section of Jones County, died in a New Bern hospital Saturday afternoon after being run over by a truck driven by Lindberg Harris of the same neighborhood.

The child apparently had attempted to get upon the truck without Harris knowing about it and fell off as the back wheels of the truck crushed her.

Sheriff "Brown" Yates who investigated the fatality says there was no evidence of negligence on the part of Harris so no charges will be made in the tragedy. Since the accident did not occur on a public road the accident will not be charged against the highway death toll of the county, which now stands at two.

### Three Jones Auto Dealers Participate in Free Inspection

Three automobile dealers in Jones County are now offering free inspections of automobiles and trucks as part of the Carolina Safety League's 1954 voluntary vehicle safety check campaign.

These dealers have qualified as official inspection stations and are authorized to display the red-and-white inspection station emblem in their windows.

The dealers in Jones County which have been designated official inspection stations and authorized to affix stickers on approved cars, are:

- Community Chevrolet Co., Maysville.
- Pelletier Motor Co., Maysville
- Brook Motor Co., Trenton

### Marriage Licenses

Jones County Register of Deeds George Noble reports the issue of one marriage license during the past week to George Brimage, 37, of Trenton to Clara Sanders, 37, of Pollocksville.

## Quiet May Session By Jones Commissioners

### Three Bad Weekends

Acting Sheriff "Brown" Yates says that the past three weekends have been hectic ones for him. Each weekend saw one death of a nature that required investigation. First a murder, then a drowning and an auto accident over the past weekend. Yates says he hopes that if things run in "threes" that they have run out in Jones County.

### Farm Labor Advisor in Jones Ag Building Wednesday-Thursday

G. L. Morris, a farm labor supervisor for the Employment Security Commission, will be in Trenton from 10 until 2 each Wednesday and Thursday to assist any Jones County farmers with securing farm labor.

Jones County farmers have already regulated migratory workers for tobacco housing time but problems connected with that may also be taken up with Morris, as well as any other labor problems the farmer may have.

Morris will be in the auditorium of the ag building during those hours.

### TO LEGISLATIVE GROUP

Myrtle Brock of Trenton and John E. Johnson have been appointed a member of the state legislative committee of the North Carolina Education Association for 1954-55. State committees of the NCEA direct the activities of corresponding groups in the 189 local units of the association.

### PARROTT SELLS

THREE ANGUS COWS  
James M. Parrott of Kinston recently sold three pure-bred Aberdeen-Angus cows to W. N. McLean, of Wallace.

A quiet May session of the Jones County Board of Commissioners was held at the court house Monday. Only routine matters were discussed in the two-hour meeting.

Coroner Wayne Jarman who is holding the position of Acting Sheriff, since the death of Sheriff Jeter Taylor, was approved a \$50 per month "retainer."

A 2.7 mile stretch of road in Cypress Creek Township on the Eubanks Plantation was approved for improvement by the State Highway Commission.

Dorothy Valentine was employed as the Negro Home Demonstration Agent.

Appropriations of \$300 to the sheriff's department, \$300 to the jailer's department and \$60 to the Negro Farm Agent were approved from the general fund, and that was it.

### 1954 Price Supports

Corn. The minimum price support rate for 1954 crop corn in commercial counties will be \$1.62 per bushel.

## New Trenton Postmaster

Manley Mallard, one of Jones County's best known citizen's last week became the Postmaster of Trenton, succeeding G. C. Herritage, who had reached the retirement age in April and stepped down from the job after 17 years of Chief Keeper of The Mails in Trenton. Mallard, a resident of the Mallardtown section of Trenton Township is a prominent farmer and for many years has served as the Republican member of the Jones County Board of Elections. (Polaroid-photo-in - a - minute by Jack Rider).

Frank Owen Fitzgerald is not an old man as any writer of 36 would agree but nevertheless this Johnston County native is the Dean of Kinston Bankers, and by a pretty good margin.

Fitzgerald was born three days before Christmas, December 22, 1896, which makes his next birthday his 58th. He was born and reared on a Johnston County farm, son of the late Henry and Cora Hinnant Fitzgerald, both of whom like their son, were natives of that large Eastern Carolina County.

Fitzgerald deserted the plow-handle to handle "other folk's money" in the First National Bank of Smithfield on September 1, 1915. He was employed to help with the fall rush business that banks then, as well as now enjoy in "Tobacco Land, U. S. A."

So on September 1st this year The Dean of Kinston's Bankers will pass his 49th anniversary as a keeper of the public's funds and their trust.

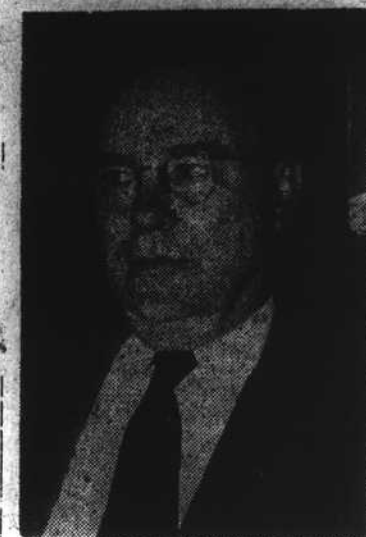
Fitzgerald was employed for the 1915 fall rush but he proved capable enough to keep the job until June of 1916 when he lost the job temporarily.

There were many others losing their jobs at about the same time, however.

Like Fitzgerald they were going into Uncle Sam's Army and that's where Frank Owen Fitzgerald went for his first job away from the old home county.

Mustered in to the army in June, Fitzgerald was dumped onto a pier in St. Nazaire, France, three months later. A replacement for the quartermaster department. Before he could take more than a fleeting look at the French scenery the war had come to an end and for eight months he held down a routine quartermaster post, station in Famed

## Meet The Dean



FRANK OWEN FITZGERALD

Rouen, where Joan D'Arc was burned at the stake and where the beautiful River Seine winds through the beautiful French countryside between Le Havre and Paris.

Ten months after landing at St. Nazaire Fitzgerald marched aboard another troop transport at Marsailles and was on his way back home. In August 1919 he became a banker once again and straight back to the First National Bank of Smithfield he made his way.

On February 1, 1920 Fitzgerald deserted one First National Bank to join another and that is when he arrived in Kinston to become a banker in the First National Bank of Kinston, where he remained from February 1920 until October of 1922 when he left Kinston for a four-year period, and at about the same time that he married Ada Glenn Tunstall, member of a well known Lenoir County family. They were married October 14, 1922.

In October 1922 Fitzgerald accepted a post with the First & Merchants National Bank of Richmond and there he remained until June of 1926 when Kinston called him back to work for the Farmers & Merchants Bank of Kinston.

After six years with that Kinston banking establishment Fitzgerald moved to a post with the North Carolina Bank and Trust Company which operated briefly in Kinston.

A year in that bank ended when Fitzgerald accepted a post with the Reconstruction Finance Corporation's Charlotte office. But six months in that job was enough and back to Kinston this adopted Kinstonian hurried.

This time he returned to Kinston as Assistant Cashier of the First Citizens Bank & Trust Company and from 1934 until March 10, 1945 he held down that

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## Home Clubber Tells of Demonstration Club Benefits

BY MRS. CLYDE BANKS  
Home Demonstration Club Member, Jones County

The highest ambition of any wife and mother is to give of her best that those dearest to her may have the best. For each family these standards and ideas differ but my interest is a utopia for my family.

I realize no wife and mother wants to be housewife or a housekeeper but a homemaker. To acquire the true title of the latter, it involves more than three meals a day, a house kept clean, and a yard with well-fed cats.

These meals give more nourishment when planned as to season and its activities. They are easily digested in a contented family unit. The house has to

be a home with each member participating—both giving and receiving. The home has to meet the needs of the group—with comfort in its work, rest, living, and dining areas, and a place one can seek companionship or solitude as the individual's needs indicate.

Even the Kitty can sense whether the atmosphere is of happiness or disagreeableness. The interior can not radiate success unless the exterior is neatly kept and the grounds attractively landscaped. Home Demonstration Club work has helped me to see the needs of my family and work with a straight forward goal.

"Would I have never realized these needs without Home Demonstration work?" Is that your

question? It is possible all these things would have come to me later, but was it not to my benefit to learn correctly and quickly of any possible solutions to my problems?

Was it not to my advantage to have fellowship with my community, county, state and national club sisters?

Yes! for they were shining lights to guide me, assist me, share with me, give to me techniques tried and proved true which multiplied thus could never all be experienced by one person.

Our extension leaders—as county, district, and state home agents, have counseled us in what, why, how, and when. The Challenge of Home Demonstration Club Work to me is to be

my best in keeping our creed which is:

Because I believe that "Today's Home Builds Tomorrow's World," I will strive to establish my home according to my beliefs:

I believe in the importance of religion in my home. It lays the foundation for confident living and provides each member of the family with strength and courage for the problems of each day.

I believe the home is the foundation of all that is good in life; therefore, I shall endeavor to make my home a place where love and joy; order and harmony abide.

I believe in rural life because it is rich in abundant living; rich in beauty; rich in opportunity and understanding, and in its

simplicity and wholesomeness. These things come from the love of soil and honest labor.

I believe every homemaker can contribute her share to the building and keeping of the American way of life. In making a home and rearing children in the democratic tradition, I can be an influence for loyalty, honor, and integrity in my community and in my country.

I believe rural women can plan a definite part in building among the nations of the world, understanding, right attitudes, and a spirit of cooperation in which "Peace on earth, good will to men" can become a reality instead of a dream.

And I believe that with God's help can be worthy of the honor of being a homemaker.