

Folk Festival In Kinston Friday, Saturday
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Two Jones Sawmill Workers Attacked With Ax by Third, Apparently Insane

Two sawmill workers are in Memorial General Hospital and a third is in the Jones County jail charged with assaulting them with an ax before daylight Tuesday morning. Thirty-nine year old James Jones is in extremely critical condition from a skull fracture but 18-year old Leon Pearsall is recuperating satisfactorily from the several blows he suffered on the front and back of his head. Twenty-eight year old Raymond Roberson, a native of Fuquay Springs is charged with the assault.

The three men were employed at a sawmill near Haywood's Forks and all were sleeping in the same room of an empty tenant house on Joe Killingworth's farm.

Pearsall says he heard a noise in the lamp-lit room shortly before day Tuesday and raised up on one arm to see what was going on. "Roberson was beating on Jones' head with an ax," he said and "When I rose up on one arm he started in on me."

Pearsall says he jumped up and in the scuffle the table holding the lamp was turned over and the room was pitched into darkness. Pearsall says he got out of the house and went down the road to get something to combat Roberson with and when he got back with a club

Pearsall says Roberson "Must have been hitting us with the flat end of the ax, 'cause hard as he hit me, I'd be dead if he had been using the blade side."

Sheriff Brown Yates and Jail-er Walter Beddard who had started to the scene of the assault found Roberson walking toward Trenton and he freely admitted that he was the man they were looking.

Kinston Housewife Kills Mate Following Friday Night Spat

Henry P. Daugherty, 37-year old machinist of the Kinston Shirt Company, was declared "dead on arrival" at Parrott Memorial Hospital late Friday night after suffering a .12 gauge shotgun wound in the lower stomach.

His 32-year old wife, Rosie Belle Thompson Daugherty, admitted firing the shot to Investigating Officer Sgt. Fred Bates and she is temporarily free under \$2,500 bond charged with murder.

Mrs. Daugherty told Bates that her husband left the house at about 9 p. m. Friday night against her wishes. She followed him but did not see him with anyone else.

She returned home where she had left their three daughters, ages 6, 5 and 4, and loaded the shotgun with No. 6 shot.

When her husband returned home at about 11.30 an argument took place during which he told his wife that he was going to leave her. Then she took the gun and shot him.

The Past Week In Review

When the curtain was rung down Tuesday night on the 1954 selling season of the Kinston Tobacco Market new records in both pounds sold and dollars paid out had been set. Final sales totals reached 79,507,594 pounds which sold for \$44,766,515.44 at an average of \$56.30 per hundred pounds. Last year the sales total was 69,178,316 pounds that sold for \$38,797,449.93 and averaged \$55.93. This indicates that farmers selling tobacco in Kinston this year went home with \$4,969,065.51 more this year than last.

Carl M. Holt of 605 Hines Avenue is free under an appeal bond

Those who have had an opportunity to observe Roberson agree that he is "not all there."

of \$300 from a four month road term giving him in Recorder's Court Monday after he was convicted of assaulting his wife and cutting several hundred dollars worth of clothing into shreds.

The Moss Hill Ruritan Club and La Grange Rotary Club combined Tuesday to dedicate the new bridge across Neuse River that has for more than 70 years been known as Hardy's Bridge. It connects the Moss Hill and Bucklesberry communities and replaces the oldest Neuse River Bridge in Lenoir County.

Louise Reid of South Davis Street finally broke down Judge Albert Cowper's sympathy in Recorder's Court Monday. For the "umpteenth" time she was up for public drunkenness, and for good measure this trip she was also booked for assault with a deadly weapon. Sitting in the witness box with a two-year old son on her lap, Louise freely admitted being so drunk Saturday night she didn't know what she was doing, and might have cut at the prosecuting witness. Cowper asked where the baby was Saturday night while she was out cruising around. "Home", she replied. Cowper said, "I bet the only time you hold that baby in your lap is when you come to court but it won't work this time. Sixty days in the county jail."

Among the communities in this part of the state who shared in the beer and wine tax refunds recently issued by the state were the following with the amounts each received: Craven County \$23,808, Dover \$500, New Bern \$12,404, Greene County \$12,831, Hookerton \$198, Snow Hill \$721, Jones County \$7,293, Maysville \$641, Pollocksville \$329, Trenton \$367, Lenoir County \$19,665, Kinston \$14,384, La Grange \$1,452 and Pink Hill \$302.

Bill Page, president of the Farmers Broadcasting Service, which operates Radio Station WELS in Kinston was named president of the North Carolina Broadcasters Association in the annual convention which was held last week at Pinhurst.

This is George Peagram, famous mountain balladeer who will be among those taking part Friday and Saturday in the annual Eastern Carolina Folk Festival which is being held in Kinston's Grainger High School Auditorium under the sponsorship of the Parent-Teacher Association of B. F. Grady High School in Duplin County. This annual two-day spread of the best in folk music and dancing is being given again this year under the direction of Eason Lamar Lanford, farmer-minstrel of the Appalachians, who conducts these folk festivals.

Friday night 11 p. m. and with the same hours Saturday there promises to be plenty of folk music in Kinston this weekend.

Melvin L. Cheston On Japan Tour

CAMP HAKATA, JAPAN — Cpl. Melvin L. Cheston, son of Mrs. Herbert Cheston, Route 2, Trenton, recently spent a seven-day rest and recreation leave from his unit in Korea at Camp Hakata, on Japan's southernmost island of Kyushu. Cheston, a baker with the 7th Infantry Division's 32d Regiment, completed basic training at Camp Roberts, Calif.

Lt. Guy Koonce Deported to Texas

FORT HOOD, TEX. — Army 2nd Lt. Guy T. Koonce Jr., whose wife Margaret Lee, and father, live on Route 2, Trenton, recently arrived at Fort Hood, Tex., for duty with the 1st Armored Division.

Koonce, who entered the Army last June, is now assigned to the division's 61st Reconnaissance Battalion. He is a graduate of North Carolina State College.

Pvt. William Murphy Deported to Texas

FORT HOOD, TEX. — Army Pvt. William W. Murphy, son of Mrs. Sarah Murphy, Route 1, Pollocksville, recently arrived at Fort Hood, Tex., for duty with the 1st Armored Division.

Murphy, who entered the Army last May and completed basic training at Fort Jackson, S. C., is a member of the division's 88th Armored Field Artillery Battalion.

Jones Farm Bureau Tops Membership Goal

Although memberships are still being sold by community solicitors, the 1954 membership goal of the Jones County Farm Bureau has already been met, and exceeded by a considerable margin.

Officials said Wednesday that there were 786 members at that time and that an all-out effort is now being made to top the 700-goal by at least 100.

At Non-com School

MUNICH, GERMANY — Pvt. Thomas E. Mallard, 21, son of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Mallard, Trenton, was recently graduated from the Seventh Army Non-Commissioned Officer Academy in Munich, Germany.

A jeep driver assigned to the 471st Armored Infantry Battalion's Headquarters and Service Company, he successfully completed a five-week course in leadership, map-reading and other military subjects.

Mallard entered the Army last February and completed basic training at Fort Jackson, S. C. The former North Carolina State College student arrived overseas in August.

Cpl Jimmie Jones At Non-Com School

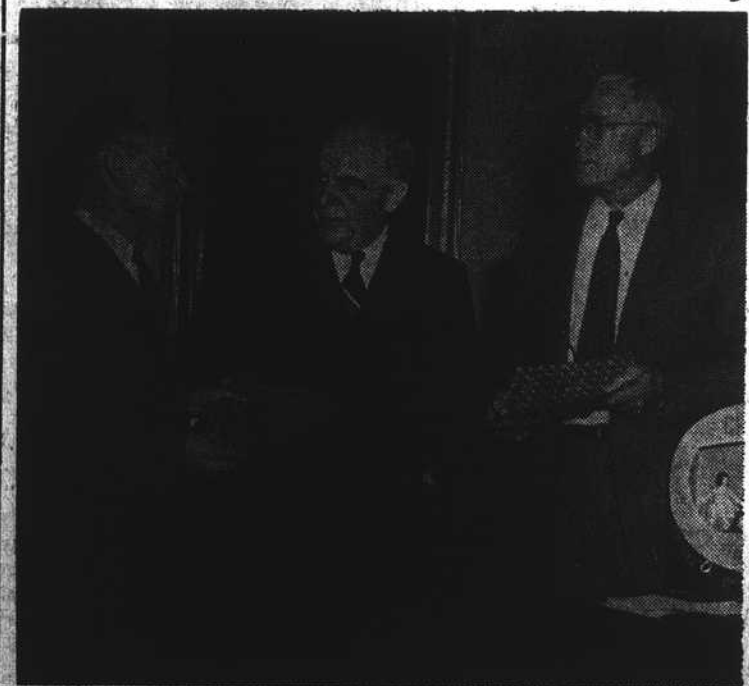
MUNICH, GERMANY — Army Cpl. Jimmie M. Jones, 22, whose wife, Annice, lives at 2906 First ave., Columbus, Ga., recently was graduated from the Seventh Army Non-Commissioned Officer Academy in Munich, Germany.

A squad leader with the 529th Field Artillery Battalion's Battery A, he successfully completed a five-week course in leadership, map-reading and other military subjects.

Corporal Jones, who entered the Army in June 1953, arrived in Europe last March from Fort Benning, Ga. His mother, Mrs. Willie G. Jones, lives on Route 2, Dover, N. C.

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TB Seal Sale Drive Get sStarted All-Out Effort For Jones County



Governor Luther Hodges (center above) and Dr. J. W. E. Norton, State Health Officer (right) buy the first Christmas Seals of the 1954 Christmas Seal Campaign from Carl O. Jeffress, State Christmas Seal Chairman (left). In discussing health problems Dr. Norton said, "Tuberculosis remains our most serious communicable disease problem in North Carolina. We can be thank-

ful for a lower death rate and improved treatment but should concern ourselves with the continuing damage known and unknown tuberculosis causes. We should not relax our efforts to control and eventually eliminate TB. Health departments and tuberculosis associations have this same goal. The people of North Carolina can help by buying Christmas Seals and supporting public health programs."