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Pat Jones Miss Jones County for 1955

Litigation Over J. J. Cox Farm Begun On Tuesday in Jones' Superior Court

A suit brought by four sisters against three brothers for possession of a 290-acre Jones County farm was begun Tuesday in Jones County's Superior Court.

Mrs. Mildred Cox Bland, her husband, L. D. Bland; Mrs. Bonnie Mae Cox Daughety and her husband, L. F. Daughety; Mrs. Mattie Cox Thornton, William E. Cox, and wife, Gwyn Cox, Melissa Cox Daughety and L. F. Daughety Jr. have brought this action against Mattie Mae Cox (widow of the late Herbert Cox), George Wooten Cox and wife, Ruth H. Cox and Adolph H. Cox and wife Grace W. Cox. All of these are children, daughters or son-in-law and grandchildren of the late J. J. Cox of Jones County.

In the complaint filed by the plaintiffs it is alleged that J. J. Cox signed the 290-acre farm near the Jones-Lenoir County line over to his three sons, Herbert, Adolph and Wooten Cox in 1931 upon the condition that they retire a heavy indebtedness then against the farm. The complaint further alleges that in the event the three brothers fail to discharge this debt and it is assumed by the other members of the family then at the death of J. J. Cox it should be split equally between the four daughters, three sons or their heirs at law.

The complaint charges that the indebtedness against the farm was cleared but not by the brothers, but rather by J. J. Cox himself, who left a will signed on September 12, 1945 in which reference is made to this failure of the brothers to pay the debt according to the oral agreement. The Elder Cox died November 15, 1950, so the complaint alleges.

The three brothers on the other hand contend that they have a legal deed to the property, given without reservation by their father and, hence they own and occupy the land legally.

Hearing of the case was expected to occupy practically the full term of court scheduled for this week in Jones County.

Construction Worker Badly Beaten Monday

Walter Henry Bordeaux Jr. of 211 East Street was badly beaten after midnight Monday by an unknown assailant. The construction worker was attacked on North McLewean Street by what he describes as a man between 25 and 30 years of age, with dark hair and about five feet 10 or 11 inches high.

Bordeaux suffered multiple

cuts and bruises about the head and body and for a few minutes he gave police and attendants at Parrott Memorial Hospital a bad scare when he went into shock while undergoing emergency treatment.

Bordeaux says the man struck him with a bottle, knocking him down and then continued the beating by kicking him in the face and body. He says the assailant was wearing a dark blue, zipper jacket and was bare headed at the time of the attack.

CEMETERY CLEANING

All persons having relatives buried in the Deaver Family near Deep Run are invited and urged to come out Saturday and assist in the cleaning up of this well known family grave yard.



This picture shows a part of the hundreds of canning exhibits that were entered for judging in that category in last week's annual Jones County Agricultural Fair. An unusually high percentage of these entries was awarded top blue ribbons.



...This is Pat Jones, Miss Jones County of 1955, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Guy Jones Jr. of Maysville route one. The new queen was chosen, with no little difficulty over 15 other contestants in the annual Miss Jones County contest which climaxes the annual Jones County Agricultural Fair.

Miss Jones County who is also Miss Jones represented the Trenton Rotary Club in the annual

event, which was slightly if not more so, embarrassing to Trentonians, who had to go on the other side of Maysville to find a girl to carry their honors in this annual event.

Miss Jones County of 1955 is a beaming, blue-eyed, red head, whose personality and poise when added to her natural good looks made her an obvious final selection from the moment she walked on the stage.

Three Divorces are Granted as Jones Court is Convened

With Resident Judge Henry Stevens of Warsaw presiding a one-week civil term of Jones County's Superior Court was convened Monday at 10 a. m.

In addition to clearing 41 old, worn out and forgotten cases from the court calendar during the first day and a half of court three divorces were granted, all on grounds of two years separation:

Doris Armstrong King from William Perry King, Howard Thomas Flythe from Agnes Caraway Flythe and Johnnie M. Conyer from Cealous Conyer.

Most Inconvenient Warrant Serving

Officers Harold Cogdell and Elisha White went to serve a warrant Saturday night on Exie Mae Hardy of 614 Dawson's Alley. The warrant, issued by Magistrate U. G. Hester, charged the woman with embezzling some \$10 from U. S. Chamberlin.

When the officers found Miss Hardy they asserted in another warrant which they issued that she was bedded down for the night, but illegally.

Which illegal sacking caused her to be indicted on a fornication and adultery charge.

In Recorder's Court Monday afternoon judicial notice was taken of all the allegations and Miss Hardy was sentenced to 60 days in the county jail.

Freak Twister Hits Randolph Foy Place Late Saturday Night

As the cold front moved across Eastern North Carolina late last Saturday night it kicked up a little twister that did considerable damage on the Randolph Foy farm just west of Trenton.

Foy reports two large chicken houses were wrecked, the top

Stern Sentence for Man Found Guilty in Car-Burning Case

Lenoir County's Presiding Superior Court Judge Sumner Bur-gwyn of Woodland took a very dim view of the conspiracy which a jury found Jesse Taylor guilty of on Tuesday of this week. The former bus driver was given three to five years at "hard labor" for his part in the crime.

A 19 year-old Jones County airman, Leonard Earl Baysden, told the court that he had conspired with Taylor to burn a 1956 Plymouth belonging to Taylor and that they would share in the insurance. Baysden admitted the actual burning but he said Taylor and he had agreed upon the details of the fake robbery on a trip to Stella and Swansboro on the day of the crime. Baysden drew a 12 month sentence which was suspended on condition of a \$250 fine and his completing his enlistment.

Baysden said it was agreed that Taylor would park the car on the 100 block of East Caswell Street and go to a movie, during which Baysden was to take the car and drive it near Fayetteville, where he is stationed in the Air Force. There he was to burn it. Taylor was to report the car stolen when he came out of the theater.

Baysden first denied any connection with the crime when arrested by an alert highway patrolman at Fayetteville. But when he saw the warrant against him had been signed by Taylor he immediately asked for "paper and pencil" and wrote a full confession for Kingston Officers Wheeler Kennedy and Fred Boyd.

was blown off a brooder house and some slight damage was done to the roof of the Foy Home. No other damage has been reported on any other farms in the same section.



This scene climaxed the annual Jones County Agricultural Fair. The 1954 Miss Jones County is seen passing her crown to the newly elected queen, while the two runner-up describe the scene quite adequately on either side. The new queen is Pat Jones, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Guy Jones Jr.

At right is Jo Ann Simmons, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Simmons of Pollocksville, who was the second place winner. At left is the No. 3 winner Grace Arthur, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Allen Arthur of Maysville route one. In the rear the 1954 Queen, Martha Oliver, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Oliver of

Pollocksville route one is seen passing the crown over to the new queen who will reign until the 1956 fair rolls around and another queen is chosen. Sixteen of Jones County's prettiest teenagers, unmarried girls took part in this contest, and the judges commented that they were only sorry that they couldn't crown each of the 16 a queen.