

Jones Board Has Quiet Time in First '56 Session

Routine reports from various departments and several appointments were about the total business of the day Monday when the Jones County Board of Commissioners held its delayed January meeting.

Earl Gray and Grover Mallard were re-named county tax assessors, Cyrus Griffin was re-named for six months the collector of insolvent taxes and W. W. Miller of New Bern was re-named county electrical inspector.

Ralph Jones was named tax lister for Cypress Creek Township, replacing John Koonce who had been appointed earlier but had refused to serve.

Commissioner Bruce Simmons was authorized to obtain plans for expansion of the Ag Building so that all professional agricultural workers in the county could be housed under one roof.

Turmie Chase was employed on a full-time basis as caretaker of the court house.

Reports were heard from the home and farm agents and County Sanitation Henry Swiggett reported on the mosquito control efforts following the hurricanes last year.

After Swiggett's report the board passed a resolution of thanks to all who had assisted in that project.

Stallings Air Base Visited By High Ranking ATS Officers

Three high ranking Air Training Command officers visited Stallings Air Base here on Monday to inspect progress on base expansion.

Air Force officials consider essential to provide adequate facilities for proper training. Major General E. H. Underhill, Deputy Commander of ATC, along with Brigadier General T. E. Moore, Deputy Chief of Staff for Operations, Colonel T. S. Torresson, also of ATC, arrived at Stallings from Scott Air Force Base, Illinois, and were shown around the base by Serv - Air President Truman Miller, General Manager William J. Reynolds, Lt. Colonel Robert A. Clendenin and Major Howard P. Goodson.

The three officers departed shortly after lunch.

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Three Kinstonians Named by Fountain To Service Schools

The following telegram was received Wednesday morning from Washington:

"I have today nominated the following boys from the Kinston area to take examination for admission to the military academies as follows: Richard Bertice Alexander, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Alexander of Kinston route two, principal to West Point Military Academy, Charles Thomas Randolph Jr., 709 West Vernon Avenue, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles T. Randolph to Air Force Academy, and Robert Edward Dean of 205 East Washington Avenue to Air Force Academy." Signed, L. H. Fountain.

Alexander is a sophomore at Duke University, Randolph a senior at Grainger High School and Dean is a freshman at State College.

Jake Koonce Indicted Twice on Tuesday

Jake Koonce, who gave his address as Comfort, was arrested twice by Lenoir County officers Tuesday.

Koonce was first arrested by officers of the Police Department on a disorderly conduct warrant signed by R. A. Thompson. In that instance an argument had taken place over a car belonging to Thompson Motor Company that Koonce wrecked last week while his car was being repaired in the Thompson service department.

After making the \$100 bond, Koonce was picked up by officers of the Sheriff's Department on a charge of assault with a deadly weapon.

The latter charge was made by Ernest Rhodes of Kinston route four who was shot in the hand Monday night in a scuffle with Koonce. Koonce was placed under \$1,000 bond in that indictment.

One Stroud Out and Another Stroud in

Lenoir County Sheriff Clay Broadway this week announced the resignation of Deputy Sheriff Odell Stroud effective January 1.

In the same announcement Broadway revealed the employment of William Strud to fill the vacancy. The out-going Stroud had been a member of the department for just under one-year, and had served briefly on the staff of former Sheriff Sam Churchill in 1954.

Speed Causes First Lenoir County Highway Fatality in 1956



These pictures tell a part of the story of the first highway fatality of the year on Lenoir County roads, Marine Private Richard A. Musto died last Thursday morning in Memorial General Hospital from injuries he suffered as driver of the car shown here that ripped into the front of the home shown above. Musto, a native of Elmira, N. Y. was driving toward Kinston

at about 7:10 a. m. January 4th when he lost control of his '50 model car in the curve at H. B. Taylor's home.

The car went into a field and was apparently getting along pretty well until it hit a hedge-row at the northern edge of the front yard of the house shown here on the Leslie Worthington Farm.

The sharp rise at the hedge-

row thrust the car into the air, causing it to fly through the air over 20 feet, reaching a height of some eight feet. The car landed on the doorsteps of the home, rolled over and came to a stop about 400 yards from the point where it left the road.

Musto suffered a skull fracture and a crushed chest. He lived 26 hours. Two civilians riding with Musto escaped injury.

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Jurors Drawn for January 30 Term of Jones Superior Court

Jurors drawn Monday by the Jones County Board of Commissioners for the January 30th term of the county's Superior Court are the following:

Roger Parker, Cecil Meadows, Dalton Cox, Ellis Banks, Rupert L. White, Guy Alcock, H. B. Hargett, Ralph Conway, Major Small.

Wayne Mallard, C. L. Mills, Robert H. Davenport, Bruce B. Taylor, Horace L. Whaley, H. Frank Blizzard, Cecil Moore and Robert A. Taylor.

Applications Open Tuesday for Disaster Relief Purchases

Jones Countians may obtain full information and application blanks next Tuesday, January 17, from a representative of the Director of Civil Defense for hurricane disaster relief. This representative will be in the court house in Trenton next Tuesday to explain and assist all those who suffered direct loss because of last year's hurricanes.

Those who are eligible will be permitted to purchase government surplus property at 10 per cent of what it cost the government. Purchase for re-sale is strictly forbidden and any purchases must be used for carrying on rehabilitation work within the disaster area.

Just exactly what types of equipment suitable for farm work will be available was not stated in the announcement, but full information will be available at the court house next Tuesday in Trenton.

One Still, One Liquor Violator Reported by Sheriff Brown Yates

Destruction of one backwoods distillery and arrest of one alleged liquor law violator are reported during the past week by Jones County Sheriff Brown Yates.

The still, called a small one, was located on the Island Creek Road in Pollocksville Township. It consisted of 200 gallons of mash and a small copper still.

The liquor indictment was placed against Talmage Dockery of Pollocksville Township was with having a small quantity of

stump-hole whisky about his premises "contrary to the statute and against the peace and dignity of the State of North Carolina".

Assistant Fire Chief Named 'Veep' of East Carolina Firemen

Assistant Fire Chief Joseph T. Halley Tuesday night was elected vice president of the East North Carolina Firemen's Association at the semi-annual meeting in Wilson.

Wilson Chief Tyrus R. Bissett was named president for the coming year and La Grange Chief Earl Kinsey was named secretary of the organization.

The spring meeting is to be held in Winterville, Vice President Halley announced.

Kinston firemen attending along with Halley were Sammy Manning, Carl Davis and Leslie Greene.

Barbecue, fried chicken and Burnswick stew were among the pre-election delicacies enjoyed by the assembled "smoke eaters".

Deaths Less; All Other Highway Statistics are Worse in '55 in Lenoir

The 1955 traffic toll in Lenoir County highways had only one brighter section when compared with the 1954 record: Less killed; 13 last year and in '54 the death toll was 18.

In '55 the Highway Patrolmen of the county investigated 271 accidents which was an increase of 51 over the 220 of 1954.

Last year those 271 accidents injured 101 persons, compared with 79 injured in '54.

The estimate property damage in these 271 accidents last year was fixed at \$127,700 as compared with \$98,100 for the year before.

Sgt. John Laws and his men who patrol the highways of Lenoir County also report a considerable increase in the number of indictments issued, climbing from 3,850 in '54 to 4,080 for the year just ended.



This pair of pictures doesn't tell the entire story for the crash that put three men in the Memorial Hospital last Saturday morning. The "same" car at left was

driven by William Alton Sutton of Kinston route two, a Camp Lejeune civilian worker.

The "effect" car at right was parked by the side of the road just west of Charlie Grant's filling station in the Wheat Swamp



specimen and its driver Theodore Wainwright of Kinston route two was its only occupant at the time it was rammed from the rear.

Sutton, a brother, Ransome Earl Sutton and James Spencer Jr. were treated at Memorial

Hospital for multiple head and face injuries, but all are reportedly recuperating satisfactorily. Sutton will be indicted for reckless driving as soon as he is discharged from the hospital, investigating Officer Wesley Parrish says.