

# New Bern Plans Bigger Vehicle Safety Check During Coming Week

General Chairman James A. Stutts has announced tentative plans for the forthcoming Vehicle Safety Check Campaign scheduled for Craven County and New Bern May 14th through 19th. A goal of 30,000 vehicles has been set for the check campaign this year.

Last year 12,363 vehicles passed through the New Bern lanes and resulted in New Bern winning national recognition and the Look magazine award as having the nations most outstanding safety check program.

Tentative plans for the week are as follows:

Check lanes will be open at 8 a. m. Monday morning, May 14th. Governor Luther Hodges is scheduled to arrive in the city Monday at 2:30 at the local airport and will be met by local officials: Mayor Mack L. Lupton, County chairman Geo. W. Ippock and Stutts.

State Highway patrolmen will escort the Governor and his party to New Bern where he will be met by a local delegation of Safety Committee officials, City officials and invited guests. A gigantic Safety Parade will begin at 3 P. M. and be led by the Governor as far as the reviewing stand. At 4 P. M. Governor Hodges will address the citizens of New Bern on the subject of Safety.

Invited guests will be: County Commissioners of Craven, Onslow, Carteret, Jones, Pamlico and Beaufort County Sheriffs of the same counties, Mayors of Jacksonville, Morehead City, Beaufort, Trenton, Bayboro, Oriental, Maysville, Pollocksville, Dover, Ft. Barnwell, Ocracoke, Vancamp, and Washington State Senators Ed Sumners and Carl Hays, State Representatives from six surrounding counties and local safety check officials.

Plans call for the continuation of operation of the check lanes during the parade and related activities. Check lanes will close at 6 P. M. each day for tabulation of results. It is planned to entertain the Governor and guests by a yacht trip on the Neuse and Trent rivers following the Parade and Governors' speech.

Tuesday has been set aside as "Industrial Day" honoring workers from all industries large or small in the surrounding area.

Wednesday will feature a water Ski Show on the waters of Neuse and Trent Rivers in the vicinity of the Womens Club at Union Point.

Thursday will be "Farmers Day" and will honor local farm people. A special Bar-B-Que and



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related activities is being planned. Tentative plans call for US Senator Kerr Scott to attend.

Friday has been designated as "Marine Corps Day" in honor of the nearby Marine Corps Air Station at Cherry Point and in grateful recognition of the aid and help given the personnel of the Air Station to the Safety Check Program.

Plans call for the Air Station to furnish 100 uniformed Military Police to aid in the operation of the Check lanes during the week.

Saturday will wind up the activities and will be climaxed by an appreciation Banquet honoring all workers of the lanes. Representatives of LOOK magazine and the National Safety Council are expected to be in the city during the week.

## Unveiling Saturday of Glen Newton Smith (Portrait in Trenton)

A portrait of Glen Newton Smith namesake of American Legion Post No 154, Trenton, will be unveiled in the Legion Hut at 8 Saturday.

Smith was the first Jones County man killed during World War II. He died on the destroyer USS Semmes during the Battle of the Coral Sea. He joined the Navy October 9, 1941, and died May 6, 1942.

He was a son of the late Mrs. Beadie Collins Smith and Alev DeWitt Smith. In addition to his father, he is survived by four sisters and four brothers, only one of whom, Clifton D. Smith, now reside in the area.

Jonh Larkins is scheduled to deliver the main speech at the unveiling ceremony.



This is the end of the oldest highway bridge across Neuse River in Lenoir County and the beginning of the newest. Located at Reckard, in the western fringe of Lenoir County near Seven Springs this old single lane bridge is cur-

rently being replaced by a modern reinforced concrete two-lane span. While under construction traffic is closed and detours either across Hardy's bridge downstream or the Seven Springs bridge are necessary.

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## Roads and Reports Occupy Commissioners

The Board of Commissioners of Jones County started investigations preliminary to construction of two short roads in the county.

Monday the commissioners ordered a survey on a road one half mile long branching off from North Carolina 41, known as Community Lane, at Eagles Nest Farm.

The second road would serve 21 families living on the outskirts of Maysville. They now have a foot path and cannot operate motor vehicles to their homes.

A report from John Yates, soil conservationist, concerning the progress of work to clear storm damages from the county's rivers and streams was received.

The commissioners authorized G. C. Herritage, county accountant, to execute papers on behalf of the county in connection with Civil Defense Administration or State of North Carolina efforts to correct damage done by last year's hurricanes.

## Jones Sheriffs Get Another Distillery

Sheriff Brown Rates and Deputy Roy Mallard last week destroyed another backwoods distillery in Chiquapiin Township with an 800-gallon mash capacity and a 100-gallon still.

The mash barrels were empty, Yates reports and the still had not been in recent operation. The still proper consisted of two steel drums which put it in the 100-gallon capacity category.

Other indictments reported for the past week in Jones County included that of Camp Lejeune Marine Prince A. Harper who was arrested Saturday by Patrolman Marvin Thomas on charge of driving after his license had been revoked, speeding and reckless driving. Also Patrolman L. S. Meiggs booked Francis Dixon of Maysville on charge of public drunkenness, disorderly conduct and possession of stump-hole whisky.

## Judge Bundy to Preside Over Jones Court Next Week in Civil Session

Judge W. J. Bundy of Greenville will convene a one-week civil term of Jones County's Superior Court at 10 a. m. Monday morning with a large number of uncontested divorces and other civil causes scheduled for hearing during the week.

Judge Bundy served for many years as solicitor of the district which includes Jones County and is no stranger to the Jones County Court House, but this will be his second appearance in Trenton in the role of judge.

Earlier this year he presided over a criminal term and during that week slapped a \$4,000 fine on a big shot Wayne County bootlegger who had managed to get himself nabbed while visiting one of his stills in Jones County. This is the biggest fine ever levied in the Jones County court.

A strenuous effort is being made to clear some of the old cases from the county's civil calendar and a big hole is expected to be cut into this backlog of cases next week. Some of the cases still on docket are well over 20 years old and in many instances both the plaintiff and the defendant are dead or moved away from this area.

Once a case is properly docketed, however, it must be brought to trial and a judge can dispose of it through consent of counsel or through non-suit after efforts to get an answer from any of the involved parties are unsuccessful.

## Marriage License

Jones County Register of Deeds George Noble reports the issue of two marriage licenses in the past week:

To George Walker Jr., 20 of Kinston route three and Frances Jean Roberts, 19, of Tuckahoe Township on May 5th. And also on May 5th to Robert George Cook,

## Comfort School is Tops in Field Day Meet Jones Central

The first Jones County Field Day was held at Jones Central High School last Friday with four elementary schools participating. A total of 126 ribbons were presented to students from Trenton, Comfort, Pollocksville and Maysville.

First place winners from Trenton were Martha Sasser, Annie Jones, Pat Huffman, Susan Vasssey, Faye Hargett, Larry Swinson, Edgan Mills, Douglas Scott, Glenn Spivey, Wellyn Dawson, Freddie Spence and Johnny Boyette.

### Comfort Winners:

Dorothy Webb, Lou Jarmon, Peggy Craft, Patricia Jenkins, Ruth Miller, Anne Brown, Nola Bonner, Zeldsa Westbrook, Patricia Jenkins, Edan Faye Jones, and Dorothy Philyaw, Gene Philyaw, William Eubanks, Ronald Metts, Linwood Kennedy and Earl Brown.

Kenneth Foy, Earl Britt, Don Cannon, and Amy Wetherington were top ribbon winners for Maysville school.

Pollocksville winners were Joy Ballard, John E. Waters, Julian Foster, Buddy Bell and Joe Ward.

Comfort's 17 ribbons led the four schools in the number of contests won.

Events in the boys' division were basketball, 50-yard dash, sack race, baseball throw, running broad jump, high jump, football throw and football kick.

The girls contested in basketball, 50-yard dash, sack race, softball throw, running broad jump and high jump.

22, of Bristol, Tenn. and Eunice Burkett, 23, of Kinston.

## Everybody Drinking Own Liquor; Eating Own Fish Stew in Jones; Politics are Desperately Quiet

Voters in Jones County are faced with what many term an intolerable situation for an election year. One disgruntled qualified voter puts it this way: "Some election! Nobody's doing nothing! We're having to buy our own whisky and cook our own fish stews! Now, I ask you what kind of an election time is that?"

The answer to that question is generally pretty well agreed upon; that it "ain't much of an election".

Even those few who are out campaigning admit this is true.

About the only race before the voters of the county that is being given even a second glance is that for the job of Register of Deeds which is being vacated by the retirement of Incumbent George Noble, who has held the post for the past 28 years.

In the race for Noble's job are his present assistant, Mrs. Dorothy Nobles Koonce, Pollocksville Township Justice of Peace James B. Simmons and Maysville Farmer

Milan LaRoque.

"few and far between". Seven men are seeking the five posts on the county board of commissioners. Among these are four incumbents, Thomas Stille, Harold Mallard, Bruce Simmons and D. A. Jones. The other incumbent Edgar Philyaw has dropped out and is not seeking re-election. Others in the race are Paul Gilbert, Charlie Davis and Wayne Jarman.

The incumbent board of education is unopposed; which makes it smooth sailing for J. C. West Jr., J. C. Wooten, W. "Mike" Phillips, John Hughes Pollock and C. J. Banks. It would appear that the segregation bugaboo has scared competition away from this particular public office.

Incumbent Representative John Hargett also gets another two-year hitch in the General Assembly without having to fight for it; a new experience for Hargett who has had to fight his way to his previous two terms.

Trenton Township has competition of its own in a race between Jason Arthur and Dewey Smith for constable; a post vacated over a year ago when Constable Roy Mallard resigned to accept a deputy sheriff job.

Cypress Creek Constable Cy Griffin is unopposed and W. J. Metts has no opposition for the job of county coroner.

In the senatorial scrap in the 7th district which includes Greene, Craven, Lenoir, Carteret, Onslow and Jones counties the story is the same. The incumbents, Ed Ed Sumnersill of Onslow and Carl Hicks of Greene, stepped aside to let two veteran politicians return to the legislative halls after long absences. John Dawson of Lenoir and Luther Hamilton of Carteret.

Of course, at the state level there's plenty of competition but folks in Jones County aren't too interested, an attitude felt in most counties where there is no pressing local fights to create interest.