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Escaped Convict Leads Kinston Law On Wild Chase Monday Evening

Archie Lee Weldon, an escaped prisoner from the Maury Camp in Greene County, led Kinston Police and two Highway Patrolmen on a wild and furious chase Tuesday night that ended in three wrecked cars, one hospitalized patrolman, a bullet in Weldon's shoulder and eight indictments against the troublesome fugitive.

Weldon, a native of the Kinston area, was serving a sentence for auto theft at the time of his escape, and this latest was his second escape this year. He was captured six weeks ago after another similar escapade and the wrecking of a 1956 model car.

Weldon has admitted stealing a car belonging to John Kilpatrick of 1605 East Caswell Street Monday night which was abandoned in New Bern Tuesday night. There Weldon stole a 1953 model Ford belonging to New Bern Policeman W. H. Conway.

Weldon was driving Conway's car with a license plate he had stolen from Raymond Baker of Kinston Monday night at the time he was sighted in Lincoln City at about 10 o'clock Tuesday night by Kinston Policemen John Barrow and Elijah White.

The chase immediately got underway and roared across Kinston at terrific rates of speed with street wide open in Greene County as the race went out US 255 toward Snow Hill. Patrolmen O. L. McCullen of Walstonburg and A. S. Harris of Hookerton got into the chase.

At speeds between 80 and 100 miles per hour it continued until after 11 o'clock when McCullen and Harris finally were able to put a running road block on the car. Weldon was using so dangerously. The chase ended five miles west of Snow Hill on the Goldsboro highway.

McCullen got ahead of Weldon and Harris immediately behind and then they made a sandwich out of his stolen vehicle. McCullen applying brakes and Harris ramming it from the rear. McCullen suffered a minor fracture of the spine, Weldon was hit by one of the spray of bullets sent his way in the left shoulder, but his wound was described as a flesh wound and he is being held in the city jail pending trial on charges of escaping from prison, failure to heed a siren, assault with a deadly weapon, auto theft, speeding 95 miles per hour, reckless driving and driving after his license had been revoked.

Weldon has previously been convicted for auto theft five times. Damage to the patrol cars is estimated at \$500, and to Conway's car, about \$500 damage was done. It had 10 bullet holes in its stern.

Sunday Beer, Wine Sales Now Banned In All of Jones County

Last Monday in regular July session the Jones County Board of Commissioners unanimously adopted an ordinance ending the legal sale of beer and wine in Jones County on Sunday.

The ordinance prohibits legal sale of beer and wine from 11 p. m. Saturday night until 7 a. m. Monday morning.

'Arrangements' Snafued Before Governor Gets to Kinston Meet

The meeting held in Kinston Tuesday by Eastern Carolina legislators, Governor Luther Hodges and members of the Governor's Advisory Committee on Education began on a melodramatic, if somewhat farcical note when those arranging the private session had a run in with a gentleman of the press.

The meeting which had been announced as private was held at a picnic house on the grounds of the Barrus Construction Company just east of Kinston. But just before the meeting was to get underway the Kinston newsman (a reporter for the Kinston Daily Free Press) introduced himself to the janitor who was cleaning up the building as "one of the head men arranging this meeting".

Then the reporter industriously set about "wiring the room for sound". He placed a microphone in the ceiling, ran a wire from it down the wall, out a window and back behind a pump house to the recording device.

An employee of the company discovered the "arrangements" and called A. K. Barrus, who in turn called Lenoir County Representative Tom White, who actually was in charge of "arrangements".

When White arrived on the scene, accompanied by a secretary, Sheriff Clay Broadway and another

Past Week Busy One In Jones Law Circles

Jones County Sheriff Brown Yates reports the past week as one of the busiest in some time for officers in the county. Nine indictments were recorded from July 5th through July 10th.

Rowe Green of Trenton route one is under bond charged with cutting John Cooper of the same neighborhood pretty badly about the face and neck in a brawl on July 5th.

Milton Woodcock of Wilmington was booked for public drunkenness and disorderly conduct and Magistrate Heber Moore gave him a month on the roads.

Emmanuel White of Pollocksville was arrested twice during the week. Once on July 6th and again

on July 10th, both times on charge of public drunkenness. Raymond Lee Humphrey of Jacksonville route two was booked on July 10th for drunken driving and driving without a license.

Robert Hall of Pollocksville was also booked on the 7th for carrying a concealed weapon, for dis-

Child Drowned Monday in Rain-swollen Adkin

The heavy showers Tuesday morning which flooded Kinston led

to the first drowning of the summer in the immediate Kinston area.



This picture shows a rescue worker administering artificial respiration to the drowned child shortly

after the body was recovered about 350 yards downstream from where she fell in.



This picture shows one of the rescue workers searching for the

body of the drowned child in the swirling, muddy waters of the rain-swollen drainage ditch.

Mrs. Gooding Celebrates 90th Birthday



This is Mrs. Sarah Jane Gooding, widow of the late Imla Nunn Gooding, both natives of Jones County. On July First in a family gathering a quiet celebration of Mrs. Gooding's 90th birthday anniversary was held at the home of one of her daughters, Mrs. J. T.

Parsons of Maysville. Other children include Mrs. Joe Collins of Maysville and Charlie Gooding of Maysville route one. Mrs. Gooding also has numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren in Jones and Onslow County. She has made her home for the past 12 years with Mrs. Parsons.

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charging firearms on the public roads and for slightly wounding Clyde McRea, who was hit in the arm by a flying birdshot from the shotgun Hall was wielding in the same investigation. Will Mark Stewart, also of Pollocksville, was booked for driving without a license and driving a car with improper brakes.

Johnnie S. Flowers of the Caswell Section of the county was indicted July 8th for possessing stump-hole whisky for purpose of sale.

Jones Bond Election To Be August 25th

In a formal resolution unanimously adopted last week by the Jones County Board of Commissioners August 25th was set at the day upon which voters of the county will decide whether or not to issue \$150,000 in school bonds to permit certain badly needed improvements in the county's School system.

Registration books will be opened at 9 a. m. July 28th and will remain open until sundown August 11th to permit registration of those not already registered who wish to vote on this bond issue.

The board of education plans to use this fund if it is approved by the people of the county to close all sub-standard school buildings in the county and have all students attending modern, comfortable schools. Funds from the state bond issue of two years ago will be used to supplement the \$150,000 if it is approved.

Four Jones 4-H's Win Top Honors In District Competition

Four 4-H boys from Jones County participating in three activities at the Eastern District 4-H contests held in Washington, July 6 brought back three first place honors to themselves and their county.

This is the highest percentage of honors ever won by club members from Jones County in the District demonstrations.

Club members winning these honors were H. L. Adams, Jr. and Lynwood Hill, who gave a demonstration entitled "How to Construct an Electric Heated Bathed" in the Fruit and Vegetable Produc-

tion demonstrations; James Simpson and Bobby Barbee who gave a demonstration entitled "Efficient Steps to Cotton Production"; and H. L. Adams, Jr., winner in the Tractor Operators Contest.

As winners in their respective demonstrations, each of these boys will now represent the Eastern District in the State Contests to be held in Raleigh during State 4-H Club Week, July 23-28.