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## Jones County's Voters Endorse Pearsall Plan By 9 to 1 Majority

Almost 2,000 Jones County voters went to the polls last Saturday and voiced their approval of the so-called Pearsall Plan by nearly a 9 to 1 margin. There were 1,730 votes for the changes in the constitution and the law recommended by the advisory commission on education while only 193 votes were cast against the plan.

The other three changes in the state constitution were also given large votes of approval but none by the wide margin heaped upon the controversial school law changes. The change permitting higher pay for members of the General Assembly passed by 1283 to 266, the change in the opening of the General Assembly from January to February was approved by 1303 to 191 and the change permitting a wife to exercise the power of attorney in the absence of her husband was approved by 1567 to 153.

Pollocksville and Trenton where the bulk of the county's negro votes

## Lenoir County Voters Favor Pearsall Plan by 5,302 to 818

are cast accounted for 129 of the 193 votes against The Pearsall Plan. Trenton had 41 of these and Pollocksville had 88. Cypress Creek Township turned in the most overwhelming margin of support for the school law changes with 261 votes for The Pearsall Plan and only two votes against it.

The vote in each township is tabulated below for the school changes:

Precinct	For	Against
Pollocksville	382	88
Cypress Creek	261	2
Tuckahoe	257	6
Trenton	254	41
White Oak	204	32
Chinquapin	185	15
Beaver Creek	112	5
Piney Grove	75	4
<b>Totals</b>	<b>1730</b>	<b>193</b>

## A. D. Meadows Named President of Maysville Volunteer Fire Dept.

In elections held at the regular meeting of the Maysville Fire Department on Tuesday night A. D. Meadows was named president of the Maysville Fire Department for the coming year.

Other officers included A. L. Turner, assistant chief; Leslie Morgan, secretary; P. W. Collins, treasurer.

A motion was unanimously passed to suspend all members not in good standing if they do not straighten things out by the next meeting night.

Bobby Byrd, Robert Britt, George Ketchum and Paul Nunn were received into the department as new members.

## Jackhandle and Knife Battle Ends With Two Pollocksville Arrests

Two of five Jones County arrests in the past week came from a Friday night fracas in Pollocksville in which one man suffered a severe knife wound across the wrist and the other allegedly suffered a few lumps and bruises from a jackhandle in the hands of the man who was cut.

W. A. Hill Jr. was the man suffering the cut who is accused of wielding the jackhandle. Robert Lee Hall is accused of inflicting the knife wound.

The feud took place in Pollocksville Friday night and the cut Hill had on the wrist was sufficient to keep him hospitalized until Tuesday of this week.

Both have been indicted for assault with a deadly weapon.

Other arrests reported by Sheriff Brown Yates include that of Lee Maris Jr. of Pollocksville who was booked for simple assault and David Lee Strong and Wesley Murphy, also of Pollocksville who were charged with "reckless walking" or public drunkenness if one must be technical.

Saturday 5,120 of the 20,000 registered voters in Lenoir County went to the polls and overwhelmingly stamped their approval upon the so-called Pearsall Plan for the public schools of North Carolina. The final tally was 5,302 in favor and 818 against the plan.

Statewide the voting ran almost 4 1/2 to 1 in favor of the changes in the Constitution and the laws which implemented the plan bearing the name of Tom Pearsall of Rocky Mount, chairman of the advisory committee on education.

The heaviest vote against the Pearsall Plan came in Kinston Precincts No. 2 and No. 4. Precinct No. 2 has the county's largest negro registration and precinct No. 4 has no negro registration.

Pink Hill Township Precinct No. 1 had the most overwhelming vote in favor of the Pearsall Plan with a 138 to 1 in support of the plan Governor Hodges pushed so strongly.

The 818 votes against the Pearsall Plan were very largely confined to the four Kinston precincts which cast 644 of that 818 total, leaving only 174 anti-Pearsall Plan votes for the rest of the county.

The three other constitutional changes recommended by the regular session of the General Assembly in 1955 also passed by wide margins. For the liberalization of salaries of the General Assembly 3,475 for and 1,223 against; for changing the opening date of the General Assembly to February instead of January 4,097 against 721 and finally permitting a wife the power of attorney in absence of her husband 4,414 for and 500 against (probably all bachelors).

Precincts	Pearsall Plan	
	For	Against
Kinston-1	371	81
Kinston-2	699	283
Kinston-3	391	66
Kinston-4	816	214
Contentnea	231	28
Falling Creek	274	20
Institute	196	9
Meseley Hall	508	43
Neuse	330	13
Pink Hill-1	138	1
Pink Hill-2	197	16
Sand Hill	100	12
Southwest	150	6
Trent-1	249	6
Trent-2	205	2
Vance	214	14
Woodington	232	4
<b>Total</b>	<b>5,302</b>	<b>818</b>

## Marriage License

Jones County Register of Deeds George Noble reports the issue of three marriage license in the past week:

On September 4th to Jimmie Westbrook, 20, and Merle Killingsworth, 19, both of Chinquapin Township.

On September 6th to Robert E. Brown, 22, of Trenton and Barbara Marie Smith, 19, of Pollocksville.

On September 8th to Jesse Arthur, 20, of Pollocksville and Ada Eubanks, 20, of Trenton.

## Little Boy, Big Fish



This is Carl Garner III and he is studying what Carl Garner Jr. and Carl Garner Sr. brought home from a Sunday fishing trip to Trent River. The father and grandfather of this young man with the old fish were perch fishing with light tackle and small hooks when this "Neuse River Bass" came along and inhaled a mess of their best eel worms. Something like a half hour was needed to drag it against its will, with the Garner Team taking turns at the task. This carp weighed in at 19 1/2 pounds a few seconds before this picture was taken.

## Leo Harvey Heading Committee Helping to Aid Southern Railway

In a meeting last week in New Bern Leo Harvey of Kinston, a member of the Department of Conservation and Development Board of directors, was named chairman of a six-town representation which will seek to aid Southern Railways in securing Interstate Commerce Commission permission to buy the Atlantic & East Carolina Railroad lease of the trackage between Goldsboro and Morehead City of the largely state-owned Atlantic & North Carolina Railroad.

Late in August a two-man ruling of a sub-committee of the ICC turned down the Southern application with the statement that it was not in the best interest of the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad for the Southern to acquire control of the A&EC and the Marine Corps trackage between Cherry Point and Camp Lejeune.

## New SBI Agent for Kinston Territory

District Director of the State Bureau of Investigation George Canady last Friday announced the transfer of a new agent to serve the Kinston area. Jack P. Thomas, has been transferred from Raleigh to Kinston, replacing John Edwards who has been transferred to Elizabeth City.

Thomas, a native of Weldon, will immediately take over the area served from the Kinston SBI office.

Edwards has served the Kinston area for the past 25 months. He is a native of Washington.

This is the brand new Trenton Postmaster, Marvin Thomas, who succeeded Marley Mallard last Friday as the master of the mails passing to and from Trenton. Thomas had served for more than five years on the State Highway Patrol and during most of that time has served in the Trenton area. He married the former Jones County Home Agent, Mary Olive Owens, a native of the Dudley section of Wayne County. Thomas is a native of Harnett County.

## Jones Farm Bureau President Plans All-out Drive Membership Drive Reaching Entire County

The Jones County Farm Bureau attempting to get the support of local farmers for its annual membership drive. Howard Lee, Jones County Farm Bureau President, said Monday that his organization will aim for a record membership enrollment in this year's campaign.

"A record-breaking membership will give us the basis for a successful legislative program" in the next session of the General Assembly, he said.

Howard, who is serving his first year as Farm Bureau president, said the county farm organization's board of directors had appointed Z. A. Koonce to head the county membership committee.

The board of directors also named the following Bureau leaders to the committee: Mrs. Bari Franot of R-2, Trenton, Macy Mallard of Trenton, Mrs. Eugene Hood of R-2, Dover, and Milton Arthur of Pollocksville.

Commenting on the Farm Bureau's legislative program, President Howard said the Farm Bureau membership could "expect opposition in the legislature, mostly from special interest groups, to many of our traditional beliefs and principles."

Whether intended or not, such opposition has a "direct bearing

## Mrs. Fred Pippin To Write Trenton News For Jones Journal

Beginning this week Mrs. Fred Pippin will take over the duties of Trenton Correspondent for the Jones Journal. She will write the news, and is authorized to accept payments for subscriptions or advertisements. The Journal is anxious to give all the local news of interest to our readers and urge them to help Mrs. Pippin by reporting all the news of interest to the Journal.

and adverse effect on farm income," the Farm Bureau leader said. "It would be a lot easier to write the legislature than to write the farmer. Actually, we have reached only a small portion of our membership potential in the state. We've got a tremendous challenge to meet if we expect to raise farm income up to its rightful level," Howard concluded.

## Quiet Session Monday For Maysville Board

A brief meeting of the Maysville Board of Aldermen Monday recorded only one positive action and that was to extend a ditch approximately 300 feet between J. R. Holden and Mack Meadows' property.

A report being compiled at present by a special committee of the board was not ready for presentation at the Monday night session.

## J. R. Holden Named Area Chairman For Auto Dealers Asso.

John R. Holden of Community Chev. Co. in Maysville has been appointed area chairman for Jones County, according to John M. Tiller of Durham, President of the North Carolina Automobile Dealers Association, who made the appointment.

As Area Chairman for Jones County, Holden will be the liaison between the state and national dealers associations and local dealers. He will also direct the two associations' annual membership campaign to be held in October.

In announcing the appointment President Tiller stated, "I am happy to have such a capable and outstanding man as Holden in this most important position. I feel certain he will do a splendid job of keeping dealers and the public abreast of matters of interest in the retail automotive industry."

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