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## Two Prisoners Confess Crimes in Jones County

Two men already serving prison terms for forgery were brought from their respective prisons to Trenton Tuesday to plead guilty to a number of forgeries committed in Jones and Craven counties.

L. Ralph Wells, a native of New Hanover County, currently serving a four-to-seven year term in the Sampson County Prison Camp for forgery in his home county, admitted that he forged five checks for \$36 each in Jones and Craven counties this past summer. Three of the checks were on E. L. Scott of Kinston and the other two were on J. F. Mohn of Richlands. Judge Malcolm Paul of Washington, presiding over the term, added 12 months to the current sentence Wells has to begin at the expiration of the New Hanover sentence.

In other cases SBI Agent John Edwards told the court that Fred Thompson Jones had admitted forging a check for \$25.00 in July of 1955 and passing it to Furney Mallard of Pollocksville. Jones is currently serving a two-to-four year term for forgery, plus an additional six months for attempting to escape from the Beaufort County Prison Camp. Judge Paul added eight months to his term to begin at the end of the present terms he is serving. SBI Agent Edwards reported that Jones, although only 36 years of age, has already served 16 years in the prisons of North Carolina.

## Shady Grove Church's Harvest Supper-Sale To Be Held on Friday

The annual Harvest Day supper and sale of Shady Grove Methodist Church will be held on Friday.

A barbecue and dinner salad supper will be served beginning at 5 p. m. and lasting until 8. After that all types of farm and home produce will be offered at auction with all proceeds from both the supper and the sale going into the church building fund.

## Maysvillians Work Thursday Afternoon On Community Center

The Maysville Rotary Club and Park Association Thursday afternoon held a work call at the Community Building.

The program called for raising of the final rafters to the new building.

After the work had been completed the women of the community served a fish supper to the workers.

## Bids Asked For Stream Clearance in Jones

Invitations for bids for removing hurricane imposed obstructions from streams in 19 eastern counties were issued Monday by the Corps of Engineers Wilmington District office.

Col. H. C. Rowland, Jr., District Engineer, said the opening of bids is scheduled to be held here October 25, and that successful low bidders would have 15 days to begin the work after date of notice to proceed. Approximately 150 calendar days will be allowed to complete each of the 19 separate contracts.

Colonel Rowland pointed out that the streams to be cleared of logs and similar obstructions are approved by the Federal Clearing Administration, and that the F.C.A. designated the Corps of Engineers as the agency to do the job.

The streams to be cleared are: New Hanover, Onslow, Pender, Jones, Wilson, Duplin, Carteret, Beaufort, Bladen, Camden, Pamlico, Washington, Tyrrell, Hertford, Martin, Craven and Bertie.



Jones Central High School Senior Elizabeth Wells is not yet qualified to be called an entomologist, but she knows far more about the bug family than the average person. This collection pictured above has been prepared by Miss Wells as part of her 4-H activity. In

all 81 of the most common insects found in Jones County are included in this display. This is a tiny fraction of the total number of types of insects found in the county but it does very accurately display these 81 most common types.



New Lenoir County Livestock Association President G. E. Scarborough, at left and Treasurer Earl H. Tyndall inspect the progress on the Association's livestock show and sale building which is moving rapidly along toward completion on the Pink Hill Highway some three miles south of Kinston. Money for the building was raised by a series of sales and donations — all from private

sources. The land was donated to the association by M. S. Taylor of Hookerton who bought a large tract and gave part of it to permit the construction of the sale and show building. If continued progress is had by the Association it plans to buy the entire tract later from Taylor and convert it into a county fair area. Taylor has generously agreed to sell it to the Association for its purchase price.



This was the scene just before Saturday's purebred swine sale began in the Cooperative Warehouse under the sponsorship of the Lenoir County Livestock Association. Swine Specialist Jim Butler from State College is at the microphone giving out some late information on hog production and marketing while at right Lenoir

County Livestock Specialist Henry Ramsour is conferring with Auctioneer "Red" Rodgers who sold the 32 animals in the Saturday sale for \$1350, at an average of \$42.04 per animal. Some of the finest breeding stock from Lenoir County's best swine herds were included among the 32 animals offered for sale.

New Hanover, Onslow, Pender, Jones, Wilson, Duplin, Carteret, Beaufort, Bladen, Camden, Pamlico, Washington, Tyrrell, Hertford, Martin, Craven and Bertie.

The total job approximates 400 miles of clearance work in waterways in the 19 counties.

## Hotel Manager Kills Himself in Jail on Monday

Robert Holloman, 41, manager of Hotel Kinoca for the past year, hanged himself in the city jail Monday afternoon.

The Smithfield native who came to Kinston a year ago from Augusta, Ga. was arrested at 11:18 Monday morning on a public drunkenness charge. He was found dead at 2:08 p. m. by Fireman D. A. Jones who glanced through the jail window and saw Holloman's body hanging from the cell bars.

Identification Officer Fred Boyd, who was called immediately cut Holloman down. He had fashioned a noose from his shirt and was alone in the white male section of the jail. Shift Captain Wilbur Mazingo had checked the jail shortly before Holloman's body was discovered and just before 2 p. m. an attendant had carried ice water to those in jail. Neither saw

## Good Neighbor Policy

Mr. and Mrs. Willie Heath who live in between Trenton and Pollocksville have been plagued by bad health this fall but they are blessed with good neighbors. Both were hospitalized shortly after their tobacco crop was housed and had not been able to grade and tie up any of their crop. Last week 57 women from the congregation of Maple Grove Methodist Church showed up at their home one night and when they left over 3,000 pounds of the Heath tobacco crop had been graded and tied up.

## Jones County Girl Hurt in Collision

Elizabeth Wells, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Wells of Trenton route one suffered a painful cut on the right arm Saturday afternoon in Kinston when cars driven by her mother and Mrs. Ruth Smith Hill of 403 East Vernon Avenue in Kinston collided at the corner of Lenoir Avenue and McLewean Street.

Mrs. Wells was driving west on Lenoir Street and Mrs. Hill was driving north on McLewean at the time of the collision. Damage to the Wells car was estimated at \$250 and to the Hill car at \$300. Mrs. Wells was indicted for failure to stop at the stop sign.

any thing to cause him to suspect Holloman was planning to kill himself.

## Pollocksville Negro is One-Man Crime Wave, Record Indicates

Robert Lee Hall, a Pollocksville negro, is doing his share to keep the courts and law enforcement officers of Jones County busy.

This week Hall faces four major indictments in the Jones County Superior Court, including a capital charge of rape allegedly committed on a young Pollocksville girl along with Jimmie Lee Toodle, of the same neighborhood.

Toodle also has another charge to answer to before the court ends its crowded week of business. In another indictment he is charged with non-support of an illegitimate child.

Hall in addition to being charged

with rape, carrying a concealed weapon and two charges of assault with a deadly weapon is also under indictment for seriously beating a New Bern negro woman earlier this summer.

Solicitor Robert Rouse said Tuesday that it was impossible for him to know at that time if he would be able to try Hall for the capital charge at this term of court, and he did not know until conferring with state witnesses whether or not he would insist upon trying Hall and Toodle for the capital crime of rape. From this it would appear that there is possibility that the court might accept a guilty plea to a lesser charge.

## Cigarettes Gain Back Part of Lung-Cancer Scare Losses as Filters Quiet Public's Nerves

The close of business in 1955 saw the downward trend in cigarette smoking turn upward after sharp drops in 1953 and '54 but the nicotine trade has yet to regain the pinnacle of 436.8 billion cigarettes puffed in 1952.

The lung cancer scare which popped out in late '52 halted a trend as old as the cigarette business — that is an increased sale each year over the previous year.

From that all-time high of 436.8 billion in '52 the "coffin tack" trade dropped to 425.3 billion in '53 and fell even more in '54 when sales slumped to 402.6 billion.

Evidence of the shortmindedness of the smoking public, plus new gadgets pushed suddenly ahead in the tobacco business came with the 411.3 billion sales for '55.

But a large part of the gain must be accredited to clever advertising of the "filters".

In 1951 the "filter tips" accounted for only 1.8 billion of the total sale of 418.3 billion cigarettes. These nicotine snavers moved slightly forward in '52 as the lung cancer scare loomed in the offing but still were only 3.2 billion out of the 436.8 billion cigarettes

sales that year.

But with the full blast of lung-cancer publicity that came in '53 the nicotine addicts unable to go all the way with the lung specialist went part way with the advertising slogans and boosted the filter tipped cigarette sales to 10.0 billion. Representing a filter tip boost of 6.8 billion in a year when overall cigarette sales were dropping 11.5 billion.

But in '54 with total weed sales still tumbling and by another 22.7 billion the filter tips zoomed upward to 34.9 billions and in '55 this figure was more than doubled as the filtered portion of the nicotine market climbed to 72.9 billion. In five short years the filters had moved from 1.8 billion to 72.9 billion.

Adversity (the lung-cancer scare) proved to be a blessing to the cigarette manufacturers, if a damnation to the tobacco grower.

With filtered cigarettes grabbing more and more of the market the tobacco companies quickly found that they could use cheaper tobacco, leading to use of stems and trash types of tobacco heretofore

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