

Croatan Skeleton is Still Unidentified

Jones County Sheriff Brown Yates says this week that the identity of the Croatan skeleton is still a mystery but preliminary examination of the bones and personal belongings in the laboratories of the State Bureau of Investigation has revealed more than was originally known about the remains.

These early findings of the SBI lab state that the bones belonged to a white man of from between 39 to 40 years of age who had black hair and was very near to five feet 10 inches tall.

Examination of the skull pieces which were found by deer hunters around Christmas time, deep in the national forest west of Maysville also tend to indicate that the person was of sub-normal mental ability, perhaps a moron or idiot. Personal belongings found with the bones also tend to support this view.

Sheriff Yates says there has been reported by Carteret County officials a missing man of the Newport-Broad Creek area who fairly well fits the description pieced together by the SBI lab. However, Yates says there is no positive proof yet that the remains actually are those of the missing Carteret Countian. Meanwhile more laboratory test are being run in Raleigh to determine how long the skeleton owner had been dead and possible other information that might lead to a more immediate identification.

Annulment Granted

Freddie Mae Kinsey Howard Tuesday was granted an annulment of her marriage to Lloyd Howard of Portsmouth, Va. Evidence tendered in the hearing revealed that at the time of their marriage on December 7, 1951 Howard had a living wife in Norfolk. He was a Camp Lejeune Marine at the time he married the Kinston girl and has since been court martialed and sentenced to serve one year in prison on charges of bigamy and desertion.

Still Busted Up

Jones County Sheriff Brown Yates and Deputy Roy Mallard Saturday "busted" up a whisky still which was being set up in the eastern part of Trenton Township in the Trent River area. Yates says the still had been under watch since its owner first began setting it up but something apparently scared the owner off after mashing in just two barrels and bringing only a small part of the kettle equipment to the still site. Yates says he and Mallard got tired of waiting for the operator to finish setting up the still and decided to dispose of it on Saturday.

BASKETBALL SPLIT

Trenton Elementary School girls and boys basketball team played Comfort girls and boys Tuesday Feb. 5 at Comfort gym. Score: Comfort girls 30 — Trenton 24 Comfort boys 22 — Trenton 35

COMFORT PTA MEETS

The Comfort PTA met last Tuesday in the School auditorium. A program was presented by the 3rd, 4th and 5th grades.

Mr. Bonner, the principal, gave an interesting lecture on the importance of the development of sports in the Elementary Schools. He asked PTA members to make a survey and ask for pledges to purchase suits and equipment for the football team next year.

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Serv-Air Future Looks Brighter With Navy Release of Stallings

No Unusual Labor Turn-over Reported at Stallings Field

The following news release was made this week by Bill Reynolds, General Manager of the Serv-Air Corporation, which operates the pilot training school for the Air Force at Stallings Air Base:

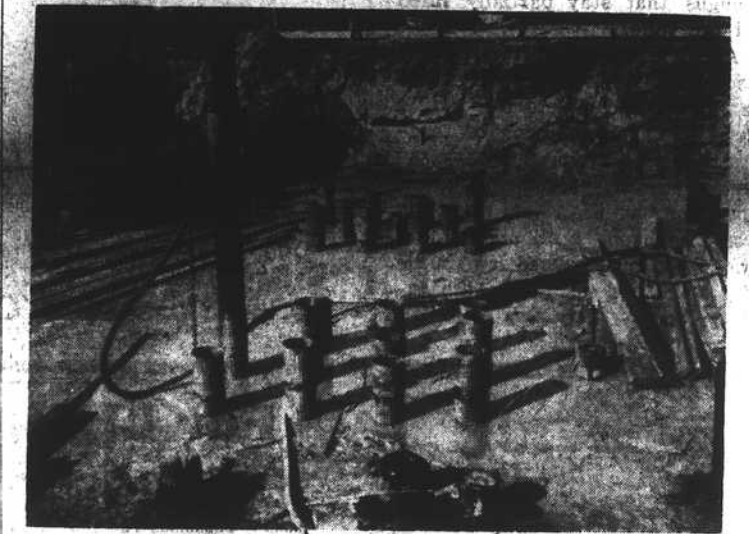
PERSONNEL OUTLOOK

As of this date, the announcement relative to the possibility of discontinuance of this flying school has not materially affected personnel turnover. An analysis of personnel separations since the announcement was made, as compared with the same period of time in January-February 1956, reveals that separations are normal. The employees of Serv-Air Aviation Corporation have been informed completely on all matters pertaining to the status of

the Base through periodic meetings and printed bulletins. It is extremely gratifying that the over seven hundred employees of this Corporation have shown a "business as usual" attitude. It is natural to assume that some employees have been seeking employment elsewhere. There are, however, no indications at this time that any large percentage of the employees are making plans to separate.

Qualified replacements have been recruited for all positions vacated since the recent announcement relative to continuation of the operation. It is anticipated at this time that replacements will be available for practically all jobs that may be vacated for any reasons in the immediate future.

Telephone Company Reveals \$13 Million Expansion in 1957



This is not a row of "Chinese ash cans" but is a building technique new to Kinston, although quite well known in other areas. This picture shows part of the 220 foundation pilings that are being driven and poured full of concrete at the new Carolina Telephone & Telegraph building at the corner of Heritage and Washington streets in Kinston. The heavy building and

equipment designed for use in it demand a solid foundation and the sand of the Neuse River valley was not sufficient for the engineers who designed the building, hence, this submarine support from the 220 steel cased concrete pilings, which the engineers guarantee to be sufficient to keep the telephone business on a steady keel for a long time to come.

Three Jones Arrests

All three Jones County arrests reported for the past week were logged by Highway Patrolman B. O. Mercer and all of these involved drunken driving charges in one way or another and they all took place Saturday night, February 9th. Warren G. Franks of Pollocksville route one is charged with permitting an intoxicated person to drive, and that person allegedly is Ernest D. Simmons of Pollocksville who is booked on a drunken driving charge. Robert Rush Jr. of Maysville was also booked Saturday night on a drunken driving charge.

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OUTSIDE PLANT EXPANSION Largest single block of the 1957 program is earmarked for construction of additional outside plant. This outside plant involves

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Wooten Death Probe Continuing; Finger Prints Only Clues

Jones County Sheriff Brown Yates said Tuesday there have been no new developments in the peculiar crime which is believed to have resulted in the death of 32 year-old Wilbur Wooten of Kinston on the night of January 5th near Wyse's Fork on US 70.

The Kinstonian was killed instantly when he staggered into the path of a car whose driver was blinded by lights of another car that was approaching at the same time.

Witnesses said that Wooten's face was covered with blood and he had apparently been beaten or injured in some fashion before he was struck by the car that killed him. A wrist watch and a considerable amount of cash were missing from Wooten's body which his wife said he had when he left home with three men, unknown to her, about two hours before his death.

Sheriff Yates says an excellent fingerprint has been lifted from one of the glasses with which Wooten and his friends were drinking shortly before they left his home on Pollock Street in Kinston. "Now all we have to do is match-up the finger print", Yates admits.

Matching-up the fingerprint would not in itself clear up the apparent crime but it would certainly make the owner of that fingerprint eligible for a lot of question answering. Routine comparisons are being run on the print through SBI and FBI files.

Kinston Post Office Has Job Openings

The Civil Service has announced an open competitive examination for career or temporary appointment to the positions of substitute clerk, substitute carrier, and substitute special delivery messenger in the Kinston post office.

Applications will be accepted from persons who reside within the delivery of the post office named or who are bona fide patrons of such office. Persons employed in the post office will be considered bona fide patrons of the office. Applications must be received or post marked on or before March 6, 1957.

The beginning basic rate of pay is \$1.82 per hour. Applicants must have reached their eighteenth birthday on the closing date for acceptance of applications. This age limit does not apply to persons entitled to veterans' preference.

Necessary form and further information may be obtained from the Civil Service Information Representative at the post office.

T-3 Ben Cox Takes Leave in Bavaria

GARMISCH, GERMANY (AHT NC) — Specialist Third Class Benjamin L. Cox, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dalton G. Cox, Route 1, Pollocksville, recently spent a leave at the Army's recreation center at Garmisch in Germany's Bavarian Alps.

Specialist Cox is a machine gunner with Company C of the 11th Airborne Division's 30th Armored Infantry Battalion in Germany. He entered the Army in 1954 and was stationed at Fort Jackson, S. C., before arriving in Europe.

The 22-year-old soldier attended East Carolina Teachers College.

The following telegram was received Tuesday afternoon from Second District Congressman L. H. Fountain, bringing the first positive cause for optimism as to the future of the pilot training school operated at Stallings Air Base north of Kinston by Serv-Air, Inc., under contract from the Air Force.

Last month the Air Force announced that it was closing the local base at the end of the present contract period, June 30, 1957, and giving as its first reason for closing the fact that the Navy held a prior lease on the facility and had indicated that it (the Navy) might need the base in the near future for what it called "pre-mobilization training"; whatever that is.

"In reply to my telegram of February six addressed to honorable Charles S. Thomas, Secretary of the Navy, I have just received the following reply 'Reference your telegram of six February on the former Marine Corps Auxilliary Air Station, Stallings Air Base, Kinston, North Carolina, the Chief of Naval Operations has informed the Chief of Staff, U. S. Air Force, that the Navy no longer has a pre-mobilization requirement for Stallings and will transfer it to them under a proposal recently submitted. Signed C. S. Thomas, Secretary of The Navy.'

"In addition to telegram I have just finished conferring with a representative of the Office of Chief of Naval Operations.

"The telegram means that the Navy no longer has a peacetime or pre-mobilization requirement for Stallings. In addition it has offered to transfer its jurisdiction to the Air Force even in time of mobilization under a proposal which has not yet been made official.

"My speculation is that before giving up war-time rights the Navy is asking the Air Force to release its jurisdiction over some installation it holds elsewhere. The fact that the Navy is willing to release even its war-time rights to use Stallings indicates further that regardless of what happens to its proposal to the Air Force, it no longer has any mobilization or war-time requirements for the use of Stallings.

"The question for the Air Force is now clear cut. Is it or is it not going to retain Stallings Air Base as a primary contract training school for pilots. As soon as I get that answer our people will be informed."

L. H. Fountain MC

Serv-Air General Manager Bill Reynolds said late Tuesday that the school is still receiving regular complements of student pilots and is carrying on as usual. Reynolds also expressed confidence that the school would be kept in Lenoir County now that the high officials in the Pentagon have had all of the facts on the matter placed before them in a concise manner, and have had their only announced reason for closing the school cleared up by the Navy's release of the facility.

Dollar Days In New Bern This Week