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Safes Robbed in Kinston Last Week

Lenoir County officers were plagued by another series of safe burglaries over the past week. Four were beaten open last Thursday night.

Two of these were in the offices of E. L. Scott on West Vernon Avenue, another in the office of Scott's next-door neighbor, the Pepsi-Cola Bottling plant and the fourth was on East Bright Street in the office of the Kinston Housing Authority.

Biggest haul of the night was \$514 from the Housing Authority safe, which is pictured with this article. Before getting to the safe the thieves had to tear open the large vault door in which the safe was located.

At Scott's establishment a total of \$205 was taken. At the Pepsi-Cola plant all the thieves got was exercise.

Damage was fixed in the hundreds of dollars at each establishment and perhaps in the thousands at the Housing Authority due to the destruction of the vault door and its frame.

Hoyt Minges, chief bottle washer at the Pepsi plant, has issued a statement to the general effect that no money is kept at the plant office overnight, and he'd appreciate thieves detouring around his place and tearing up his equipment. This was its second assault in two weeks.

The thieves were only interested in money, leaving checks at the Housing Authority neatly stacked on top the badly battered safe shown here.



Veterans and Dependents are Urged to be Fully Informed On Changes in Pension Policy

In August 1959 Congress passed a new pension law for veterans and veterans' widows and children which will become effective July 1, 1960.

One of the provisions of the new law is that veterans, widows and children who are now receiving pension have the right to remain under the present pension law or elect to come under the new law.

The Veterans Administration will, in the near future, mail to present recipients of pension the necessary form to elect benefits under the new law if they so desire.

To elect to receive benefits under the new law can be to a person's disadvantage unless he or she thoroughly understands the provisions of both laws.

Before signing any form and returning it to the Veterans Administration, the veteran, widow, or fiduciary for a child should consult his local Service Officer, to insure that no mistake will be made.

Under the new law certain World War I widows whose claims have been disallowed because of income, and certain World War II and Korean widows and children whose claims have been disallowed for other reasons, may be eligible for benefits. It is suggested that any widow or custodian of a child who is interested consult with the local Service Officer.

The Veterans' Service Officer in Kinston is R. B. Edmundson, District Officer of the North Carolina Veterans Commission, whose office is located in Room 215, Pearson Building. This office is open Monday through Friday.

STUMPHOLE TROUBLE

Eugene Burney of Trenton route two and Jessie Mae Price of 1124 Sasser Street were indicted Saturday by ABC officers, who accused the negro couple of having a small quantity of stumphole whisky in their possession.

Onslow Countian Held for Manslaughter in Unusual Death Over Past Weekend

Alton Kermit Hunter of Beula-ville route two Monday night was ordered held under \$2,000 bond pending trial at the March 21 term of Lenoir County Superior Court on a charge of manslaughter. Bond was set by Magistrate W. J. Thomas, following a preliminary hearing.

The hearing revealed a most unusual set of circumstances which led to the charge against Hunter.

Saturday afternoon Highway Patrolman Wesley Parrish stopped a car driven by Cecil Carroll Me-ready in which four other men were riding. Parrish saw a small quantity of stumphole whisky and assumed that one of the five men in the car was "passed out". All were drinking.

On arriving at the Kinston police station it was found that James Lanier, the man Parrish thought to be passed out, was truly passed out; he was in fact dead. Other passengers in the car included Douglas and Hayes Ervin Bryan. All in the car were from Beula-ville route two.

An autopsy Sunday revealed that Lanier had died from a broken neck.

Questioning of the passengers revealed that Lanier had gotten mad, or dissatisfied about something and told his companions he was going to get out and walk home.

Hunter got out to try to persuade Lanier to get back in the car and an argument developed into a brief bit of fistcuffs; in which Hunter said he struck Lanier twice.

None of the passengers in the car knew that Lanier had suffered the injury from which he died until they arrived at the police station. Their stories were rather garbled and Magistrate Thomas said it was pretty obvious that nothing more than a manslaughter charge could be substantiated on the basis of evidence tendered before him Monday night.

SATURDAY WRECK

Cars driven by Eddie Frank Johnson of Dover and George Douglas Emory of 29-F Simon Bright Homes tangled Saturday at the corner of Queen and Gordon, and Emory was charged with running a red light.

DRIVING ACCUSATIONS

Persons accused of drunken driving over the weekend included Cpl. Peter Mamryzucki of Camp Lejeune, Willie Lee Cannon of Bridgeton and Harley Lee Williams of Richlands route two.

Wild Midnight Chase Sends LaGrange Negro to Prison

A wild chase that began in Kinston on Chestnut Street shortly before 3 a. m. Sunday has sent 19 year-old Ralph Sutton of La Grange to prison for 12 months.

Captain Glasco Evans and Officer Raymond Eubanks attempted to stop Sutton for a routine check but stopping him required some "doing".

Sutton, driving his brother James Leroy Sutton's car sped away and the chase was on. Evans called for help over the radio.

Out Tower Hill Road to NC 55 and then eastwardly at speeds of up to 95 miles an hour. Policemen Tommy Taylor and Phil Smith in another car joined the chase.

Sutton swerved his car from side to side, preventing either of the police cars from pulling alongside. This kind of a three-cornered tag-

Maysville Rotarians Consider Conference

The Maysville Rotary met last Tuesday evening at the community building with Pres. Harry Bryant presiding.

District Governor Tom Foscoe presented the program on the upcoming District Conference.

At the business session the club voted to purchase plaques bearing the Rotary emblem to be presented to each student being honored at the future scholarship banquet.

Maysville Firemen Discuss Purchase More Equipment

Thirty five members of the Maysville Fire Department met Monday evening. Joe Moneffe presided in the absence of president Rudolph Pelletier.

During the business portion, discussion was held on purchasing another truck and installing two more arm systems.

James E. Taylor in Caribbean Operation

CARIBBEAN — James E. Taylor, boatswain's mate third class, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. James R. Taylor of Route 1, Box 306, Trenton, N. C., serving aboard the destroyer USS Davis, took part in operation "Skyhook", a balloon launching and recovery project conducted in the Caribbean during the later part of January.

Purpose of the operation, which utilized the world's largest balloons, was to measure cosmic ray activity at altitudes up to 120,000 feet.

Jones Central Grad Now Rocket Launcher

FORT BLISS, TEX. — Army PFC Albert L. Coombs, son of Mr. and Mrs. Mark Coombs, Route 2, Dover, recently participated with other personnel from the 217th Field Artillery Missile Battalion in the firing of the Army's Redstone missile at White Sands Missile Range, N. M.

Coombs is regularly assigned as a rocket launcher crewman in the battalion's Battery B in Germany. He entered the Army in January 1959 and received basic combat training at Fort Jackson, S. C.

The 21 year-old soldier is a 1958 graduate of Jones Central High School.

Sheriff Yates Hit By Blood Clot, but Responding to Aid

Sheriff Brown Yates was hospitalized Tuesday morning from a blood clot in a bloodvessel leading to the brain, but on Thursday he was reported to be responding extremely well to treatment and it was hoped that he would have a complete recovery.

Yates first complained of feeling badly Monday afternoon and Health Department Nurse Alma Vassey found his blood pressure to be up and advised him to see a doctor, which he delayed until Tuesday when his condition had worsened.

The blood clot slowed blood to certain areas of the brain, causing a temporary paralysis. On Thursday it was reported that feeling was returning to those parts of his body that had been partially paralyzed.

Medication to dissolve the blood clot is apparently succeeding and on Thursday attendants were optimistically feeling that Yates' recovery would be fast and complete.

Fountain Files for Reelection in Second

Today 2nd District Representative L. H. Fountain filed for reelection subject to nomination in the May 28th primary.

In filing for his 5th term Fountain said, "I appreciate the opportunity the people of the second district have given me to serve them in the Congress of the United States. I sincerely hope my record will merit their continued confidence and support."

Fountain is a member of the House Committee on Government Operation and the Committee on Foreign Affairs and is chairman of the subcommittee on inter-governmental relations.

Harry Davis New 'Exchanger' Editor



Harry E. Davis, former Information Co-ordinator for the Pennsylvania Power and Light Company of Allentown, Pa., joined the Du Pont Company at the Kinston plant February 29.

He will succeed Neil Gabbert as publications editor in the plant's personnel section. Gabbert will be transferred to the public relations department's product information service at Wilmington, Del. on March 14.

A native of Clairton, Pa., Davis received his B.A. degree in journalism from Penn State University in 1957. He served for about two years as a reporter and feature writer for Call-Chronicle Newspapers, Inc., of Allentown, Pa. He has been with the Pennsylvania Power and Light Company for the past two years.

Davis and the former Sandra Ann Stocker of Allentown were married in November, 1957. They have a 15-month-old daughter, Audrie Marie. The Davis family will reside at 905 Edwards Avenue in Kinston.