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Youth vs. Age Saturday as Pollocksville School Agers Tangle With Moms and Pops

Saturday night, March 18, is the date for the annual basketball games between Alex. H. White School teams and their parents' or other adults.

The games will be played in the Jones Central Gym beginning at 7:30 Saturday night. The girls' and womans' game will be played first. The annual event is being sponsored by, and for the benefit of, the Parent-Teacher Association.

Members of the adult teams are not making the same mistake they made last year, but are remembering sprained backs and sore muscles. They are practicing each Tuesday and Thursday afternoons in the school gym.

Mrs. Jack Wilson Jr. is manager of the womans' team. She reports that the following are expected to play on her team: Mesdames Howard Falls, Melvin Aycock, Milton Arthur, W. J. Dillahunt Jr., W. J. Dillahunt, Frank Chapman, I. D. Hill, Lynwood Meadows, B. E. Miller, Van H. Harriett, Audrey Kennedy, S. T. Carter, John W. Creagh Jr., Mrs. F. A. Mallard, Lois Voss, Kirby Phillips, Charles Parker, C. E. Ruffin, Larry Swinson, Brown Yates and Mary Anna Dixon. Others who are willing to

play are invited to come and do so.

Nickey Miller, manager of the men's team, is expecting the following to play: Jack Bray, Nick Mallard, Lynwood Meadows, Bob Parker, C. E. Ruffin, J. W. Gray, Pete Thomas, Sidney Harrell, Melvin Aycock, Ben Cox, J. E. Parker, R. C. O'Bryan, Donald Batchelor and others. Miller is asking that more men come out to help, as some feel they they will not last very long.

In the recent tourney, the girl's won the county championship, while the boys lost one game to Trenton, coming out in 2nd place. Both teams are hoping to give their elders a good contest Saturday night.

Mrs. Dalton Morton, president of the PTA, has all her committees working well, with plans underway for making the event a success. Mrs. Linwood Cox is publicity chairman.

Mrs. John Booth and Mrs. Brown Yates are heading committees that will have for sale drinks, sandwiches, cakes, and candy. Everyone is invited to attend the games. The admission prices are 25c for students, and 50c for adults.

Mrs. Bruce Johnson Nominated to Head Legion Auxiliary

The American Legion Auxiliary met March 13 in the kitchen at the Trenton fair ground. Mrs. W. W. Lowery presided and Mrs. Smith Moore, chaplain, gave the devotional. Mrs. Sarah Johnson, girl state chairman, reported that Rebecca Foscoe and Margaret Jones will be the Jones County representatives at Girls' State this summer. Sonia Cox and Gloria Ballard will be alternates.

Mrs. Earl Scott, chairman of the nominating committee, gave the following slate of officers for the coming year: Mrs. Bruce Johnson, president—Mrs. Bill Johnson, 1st vice president—Mrs. Thomas Johnson, 2nd vice president, Mrs. Lynwood Cox, secretary-treasurer, Mrs. W. W. Lowery, chaplain and Mrs. Milton Arthur, historian. They will be installed in June by Mrs. Nelson Banks.

The president announced that the 3rd area meeting will be in New Bern April 7. Mrs. Alex Higgins presented the program on "Community Service" and Mrs. Alma Vassey, of the County Health Department, taught and demonstrated how to make bandages and dressings. The ladies will then make them at home to send to Lumberton Hospital.

Refreshments were served by

Tragedy Near Trenton Kills Young Woman and Seriously Injures Boy

Sheriff Reports Still Destroyed; 3 Arrests

This week Sheriff Brown Yates reported the destruction of a large steam type whisky still in Beaver Creek Township that was not in operation and for which no indictments have been made, since the distillery was hidden on the property of Mrs. L. B. Jenkins of Kinston.

During the past week Roy L. Cribb of 1101 East Bright Street in Kinston was charged with assault with a deadly weapon and carrying a concealed weapon. Charlie Richardson and Sammy Bryant of Pollocksville were accused of being publicly drunk.

Maysville Firemen Talking New Building

Aproximately 40 members of the Maysville Fire Department were present at the Monday night meeting at the community building with Rudolph Pelletiers presiding.

Included in the business discussed was the possible construction of another building.

Following adjournments, barbecue, slaw, hush puppies, and soft drinks were served by Tom Foscoe, Merle Jones and Bill Caldwell.

Mrs. Moore, Mrs. Laura Davenport and Mrs. Carl Flowers.

At the April meeting, Mrs. W. F. Hill will speak on "Pan Americans" and Mrs. Nick Mallard on "Child Welfare".

A freakish automobile accident two miles east of Trenton about 7:30 Saturday night claimed the life of 16 year-old Mary Elizabeth West and left 16 year-old Lee A. Mills in extremely critical condition.

The two students at Jones Central High School were standing in the yard of Miss West's home, talking to her father, J. Charlton West Jr. The headlights on the vehicle West was sitting in were burning.

Walter Harvey Rouse, 20, driving eastwardly was blinded by the lights of both West's vehicle and another car he was meeting. Rouse assumed that West's headlights were on a car that was on the road. Rouse drove to the right of West's vehicle, striking the two young people.

Miss West died on the way to a Kinston hospital. Mills was given emergency treatment and transferred immediately to Duke Hospital for specialized treatment of numerous critical injuries. At present Mills was still listed as in extremely critical condition.

Rouse has been indicted by Investigating Highway Patrolmen B. W. Oakly and Wesley Parrish for manslaughter.

All persons involved in the tragedy were residents of Trenton route 2.

Forrest Waller New Kinston Postmaster

Southwest Township Farmer Forrest Waller was named Kinston Postmaster Wednesday. He will assume his duties as of Saturday of this week, succeeding Jasper Phillips, who has served in that capacity for just under a year.

Waller has served for nearly 14 years on the Lenoir County Board of Education, taking office in that capacity in April 1941.

In addition to his farming and school board activities Waller is one of the south's top breeders of purebred Poland China hogs, and he is now president of the North Carolina Poland China Breeders Association.

Waller, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Waller, is a native of Jones County, but has lived most of his life in Lenoir County. He is 49 years old.

Waller was married in 1933 to the former Ruth King of Southwest Township. They have three sons, Charles, Robert and Freddy.

Land Transfers

Real estate transfers recorded during the past week in the office of Jones County Register of Deeds Bill Parker included the following: From Leslie Adams to Leslie Adams and others 167 acres in Tuckahoe Township.

From Hines Brothers Lumber Company to Union Bag-Camp Paper Company 167 acres in Tuckahoe Township.

From Neil Carter to H. L. Raspberry Trust 88.86 acres in Tuckahoe Township.

Baptist Revival

The First Baptist Church will conduct a revival beginning March 19, lasting through March 26. Rev. M. L. Tyndall, the pastor, will bring the message each evening. Mr. Lawrence from New Bern will direct the music. The nursery will be open for small children.

Marriage License

Jones County Register of Deeds Bill Parker reports the issue of one marriage license in the past week and it was to William Leroy Whaley, 18 of Tuckahoe Township and Patricia Ann Humphrey, 18, of Trenton.

Battle Boys Build Big Business

Comfort is on some North Carolina maps, but is left off the vast majority.

Some of its residents call it "Misery", but that is a hangover from the time of the "Great Depression", when like most farm communities there was far more truth than humor in the name change.

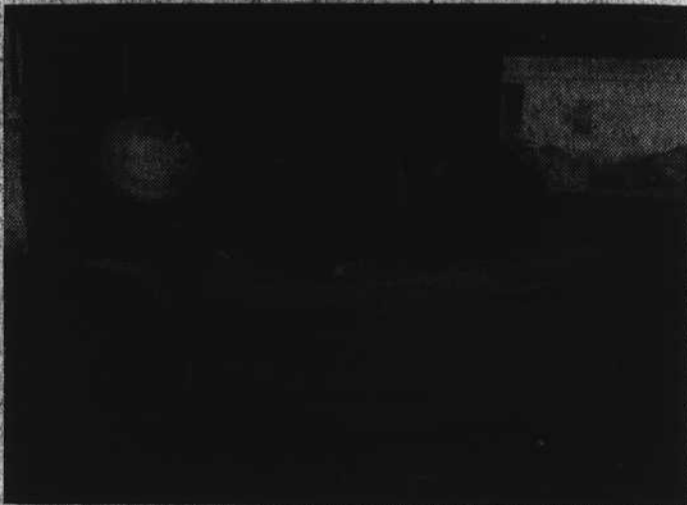
Comfort is on NC Highway 41 between Trenton and Kenansville. It is not a corporate community, but is one of Jones County's oldest settlements.

Comfort has an elementary school, three filling stations, one church and "Charlie Battle's Place".

Until November 1957 "Charlie Battle's Place" was just another filling station-general store-post-office, but at about that time the three Battle boys, Charlie Jr., Raymond and Roy Lee decided to make a few changes around the old place.

Today the post office, general store and filling station have been pushed off the premises. Two ad-

joining rooms, and the entire original "Charlie Battle's Place" are filled to running over with Jones County's single biggest business.



This is the beginning of the production line at "Charlie Battle's place." Ben Howard is seen operating the single most expensive piece of equipment in the

Those "few changes" back in 1957 consisted of installing two tire re-treading rigs. The business was an immediate success. The

first year it grossed over \$40,000. Now with \$75,000 worth of equipment, peak season employment of 14 people and 21 molds where the business started with two the gross income is still increasing.

Last year the gross was over \$200,000 and this year Charlie Jr., who is chief keeper of the keys, says, "We're gonna pass a quarter of a million this year!"

During the summer and fall months when things are running wide open a re-treaded tire pops out of the molds about every three minutes, Charlie says.

The area of Eastern Carolina roughly lying east of Goldsboro, and Wilson and South of the Tar River all the way down to Wilmington furnishes this booming business the raw materials of its business.

Where did all the "know how" for this sudden success come? Right around this sleepy farm community. All the employees are home grown and most have been with the business since it really

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When the tire comes from the automatic buffer it goes next to

the adhesive spray, which is operated here by Roy Lee Battle, while his brother Charlie Jr. looks on.

From the adhesive spray the tire moves on to the "builder", which is one of the key jobs in the re-capping process. This is "Son-

ny" Mills, who fits the new rubber snugly, and neatly onto the old frame with the aid of the machine he is shown using here.