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Farm Ownership Squabble in Jones Superior Court Non-Suited

Monday Judge Albert Cowper of Kinston opened and closed Jones County Superior Court quickly but firmly. Two uncontested divorces were granted and litigation over ownership of a Tuckahoe Township Farm was non-suited because the complaint failed to state a cause of action.

Two divorces — each on grounds of two-year separation went to Violet Marie Eubanks Messer from Edward Messer and to Rachel Bullock Smith from Jerry Millard Smith.

The land litigation was between Ethan Mills against Wesley Jones and Raiford Blizzard, the latter two trading as Jones & Blizzard.

A voluntary non-suit was taken in this action which stems from a transaction between Mills and the team of Jones and Blizzard.

Mills claimed in his complaint that he had given what he thought to be a mortgage on his farm for a debt owed to Jones and Blizzard, and it later developed that he had signed a deed rather than a mortgage.

Judge Cowper says the non-suit at this time does not prevent Mills re-instituting his suit, but it will be necessary to pay the court costs that accumulated in the non-suited action before another suit can be filed.

Since a special venire of Craven County jurors was summoned to hear the action this week, the bill of costs will run several hundred dollars, which lengthens the doubt that further action is likely.

Different Alibi

Detective Wheeler Kennedy says he was offered — but did not accept a different alibi this week by Randolph Hicks of 825 Carver Street, who was caught with the cash register in his arms Sunday night in Caroon's at Adkin and Caswell streets. Hicks told Kennedy that a man had pulled a pistol on him and had made him break in the supermarket. Kennedy not only didn't accept his excuse for being in the store, but has also charged him with breaking in Conner's supermarket two weeks ago. Captain Glasco Eyans and Policeman Dan Whitehurst caught Hicks in Caroon's.

Alimony, Divorce, And Ownership Suits Filed in Jones Court

During the past week three suits have been filed in Jones County Superior Court, according to Clerk Murray Whitaker.

Clara Belle Stocks is suing her husband Roger Wayne Stocks of Pitt County for alimony for herself and a minor child. She alleges that he beat her and ran her way from their home in September of 1959 and have one child.

Amelia Harker Norwell is asking a divorce from James Allen Norwell on grounds of two-year separation. They were married June 27, 1959, and separated October 6, 1959.

Beacon Homes, Inc. has filed suit for possession of a shell home purchased by Calvin and Elnora Turner, and upon which they have not made payments.

Stalled Marines Get Stopped and Jailed

Six Camp Lejeune Marines had auto trouble just inside Lenoir County early Monday and in their effort to get their car going wound up in the county jail.

First, they took Jim Barrow's truck out of his yard, without his knowledge, stuck it in a ditch in their effort to push off their balky flivver.

Second, they tried to roust out Barrow and get some gas, then got impatient and abusive with Barrow and tried to get the gas from a locked pump.

Third, Barrow's patience ran out, so he got his shotgun and told them to "stand easy" while he waited for officers in the sheriff's department to arrive. They stood easy.

Fourth, two of the sextet, Joseph Rainboth and Dennis Vaughn, added more problems by resisting arrest for temporary theft of Barrow's truck and trespassing upon his premises.

The other four, Anthony Inzotta, Robert H. Hotaling, Douglas Martin and Edmund Clark, were charged with temporary theft and trespassing.

New Trial Granted To Negro Convicted Of Raping Daughter

The November 22nd term of Jones County Superior Court will likely see the second trial of Negro Johnny Peyton of Pollocksville Township.

Peyton was convicted this spring of raping a small daughter and drew a life imprisonment term.

Peyton's attorney, Charles Abernathy, took the case to the state supreme court and in that forum was granted the new trial.

At present Peyton is undergoing psychiatric examination in the state hospital at Goldsboro to determine his legal sanity.

Trenton 4-H Club Meets on Wednesday

The Trent Racateurs 4-H Club met Wednesday afternoon in the Agriculture building. Brenda Hill presided and led in the pledge to the flags. Linda Moore gave the devotional and Jimmy Pollock led the recreation. Leaders present were Mrs. W. F. Hill and Mrs. J. R. Franck. J. R. Franck, farm agent, was also present.

The meeting will be held on 4th Wednesday nights from now on. Plans were made to have a bake sale Wednesday November 23 with the proceeds to go toward a Christmas party.

Two Happersville Places Padlocked

On order of Superior Court Sheriff Clay Broadway last week padlocked two Happersville establishments.

The padlocking was on a temporary basis until a hearing is requested by the owners of the places. Ernest Rhodes was operator of one and Snag Jones and Jack Turner operated the other place.

VERDICT SET ASIDE

Judge Henry Stevens set aside a guilty verdict of drunken driving last week against Johnny Carroll Dail of Kinston route 4, when Defense Counsel Tom White objected to a juror taking an encyclopedia into the jury room while Dail's guilt or innocence was being debated.

Trenton Getting Longer Telephone Numbers 5th

All Telephone numbers in the Trenton exchange will change November 5th. There will be no interruption of Telephone service and the change will be made at 2:01 a.m.

In addition new equipment will be installed which will greatly increase the local subscriber's capacity of the Trenton exchange and provide improved local service.

To avoid calling on subscribers at a time which might be inconvenient, the company will mail new number plate stickers to subscribers who are requested to place them on their telephone.

The new numbers will consist of seven digits and are in keeping with the numbering system which is gradually becoming nation wide. This system is part of a plan which will eventually enable more and more telephone subscribers to dial their own long distance calls.

The new number plates will include the area codes for the eastern portion of North Carolina. As part of the over all plan for direct distant dialing, the nation has been divided into areas, each assigned a different code number. The code number for this area is 919.

Customers in Trenton should not use the numbers 919 when placing calls. This code will be used on calls coming into this area.

Trenton Scouts on Overnight Camporee

Boy Scout Troop 109 went out camping Friday afternoon on Travis Batchelor's place on the mill pond.

They stayed overnight and worked on their first and second class requirements which were nature hike, fire building, hatchet and axe sharpening, and compass reading.

J. R. Franck accompanied the following scouts: Phillip, Robert and Eddie West, George and Phillip Cox, Joby and Tommy Arthur, Kenneth and Allen Mallard, Billy Adams, Billy Parker, Keith Green, Jerry Conway, Ronnie Burns, Rodney Johnson, Dennis Banks, Gayle Batchelor, Bobby Davenport, Douglas Chase and Kenneth Doster. Richie and Eddie Franck also were along.

Distinguished Speaker

This week the Kinston Junior Chamber of Commerce announced it had secured Dr. Norman Vincent Peale, one of the nation's most distinguished speakers, for its annual Distinguished Service Award dinner which will be held on January 17th in Fairfield Recreation Center.

Baseball for '62 in Kinston Assured; Organization Set Up

Fast moving action this week assured Kinston a berth in the Carolina Baseball League in 1962 and a working agreement with the Pittsburgh Pirates.

Monday night purchasers of season passes met in the city hall and elected a 19-man board of directors and three officers. Newsman Jack Rider was named president of the Kinston Baseball Company, Pharmacist Bob Cohen was named vice president and Fuel Dealer R. L. DuVal was named secretary-treasurer.

Other directors include Plumer Daniels, Sam McGuffey, Joe Belcher, Tracy Hart, George Wells, Norman McCaskill, Bill Hood, Bill Worthington, Whalen Wallace, Oscar Cranz Jr., Reuben Davis, Lloyd Whitfield, David Broadway, Mansfield Creech, J. K. "Buddy" Rayner.

On Tuesday Carolina League President Bill Jessup OK'd the Kinston organization a berth in the league in '62 and by telephone confirmed an earlier commitment from the Pittsburgh Pirates for the working agreement with Kinston.

Rider accepted the presidency for the first year on the condition that not only the directors but all volunteer salesmen recognize that the success of the operation depends upon all of the them rather than upon any individual.

A number of committees were named by Rider to begin work immediately on some of the pre-season work that must be done.

Rider was to contact Mayor Guy Elliott and arrange an early meeting with the stadium commission so that details of a lease of the ball park might be worked out in time for concurrence by the city council at one of its November meetings.

The directors discussed a cut-off date for the sale of \$20 season passes, but decided to hold open a decision on this point until the contacts with the league, the Pirates and the city for the park had all been signed.

Marriage License

Jones County Register of Deeds Bill Parker reports the issue of only one marriage license in the past week and it went to Gerald Hamilton, 22, of Kinston and Naomi Sutton, 21, of Beaver Creek Township.

Wife-Killer Gets Life After Guilty Plea

Monday Pete Frazier pled guilty to the March 1st knife slaying of his wife, Carrie, in a downtown Kinston cafe.

Frazier until late last week had insisted that he would not plead guilty and would insist upon going on trial for his life, but members of his family prevailed upon him late in the week to plead guilty rather than run the risk of death in the gas chamber.

The acceptance of the plea by the court automatically imposed the sentence of life, but Frazier will be eligible for consideration for parole after the end of 10 years.

Frazier cut his wife to death with a hunting knife after they had argued over a small amount of money and after fatally stabbing her he very critically wounded Herbert Harris, operator of the cafe, when he attempted to intercede.

Land Transfers

Real estate transfers recorded during the past week in the office of Jones County Register of Deeds Bill Parker included the following:

Eric Dudley to Franklin T. Collins a tract in White Oak Township.

R. O. Moss to W. Denford Eubanks 100.04 acres in Pollocksville Township.

Walter R. Byrd to Bert O. Mercer a lot in White Oak Township.

Cresy Green Miller to Hoyal Miller 122.04 acres in Cypress Creek Township.

Braxton H. George to R. P. Eubanks two lots in Cypress Creek Township.

Forgiving Soul!

Charles Bigsby was found Saturday night on the 100 block of North Adkin with a busted nose and a wound over his left eye that took 15 stitches. He told officers that "Buster" Darden had "busted" him, but he refused to press charges, which the officers say was understandable in view of the lumps. "Buster" had put on him.

AUTO THEFT ALLEGED

George Robert Clarke of Fountain route 1 was booked last weekend in Kinston, charged with stealing an auto.



TURN OF THE CENTURY—This horse-drawn merry-go-round is still spinning its happy way through the streets of Philadelphia, Pa. The more than 50-year-old little carousel is owned by Tobia Guozzo, who gives children two rides for a nickel and supplies them with music from a 90-year-old hand organ. He's been in the business for 35 years.