

First Tobacco Increase in 11 Years Authorized for 1962

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Banks and Simpson File For Second Board Terms

Two incumbent members of the Jones County Board of Commissioners have filed for re-nomination in the May primary, according to Election Board Chairman W. F. Hill.

Incumbent Chairman Nelson Banks and Member Eugene Simpson are each seeking a second term on the board.

This brings to three the number of incumbents who have filed for re-election, since Horace Lee Haddock paid his filing fee to Hill last week.

The other incumbents, Harold Mallard and Fred Foscoe, have not filed and neither has made any public statement on his intentions. Foscoe is also completing his first term on the board, but Mallard has served five two-year terms on the board.

The filing deadline for those who wish to seek county offices or jobs in the General Assembly is April 13th at Noon.

William Hensy Hammond remains the only candidate for clerk of Jones County Superior Court. He filed shortly after Incumbent Clerk Murray Whitaker had announced that he would not seek re-election. Whitaker has served 17 years in this capacity.

Incumbent Sheriff Brown Yates is the only file for that job.

Still to be heard from in addition to the other commissioners are Incumbent Assemblyman John Hargett and the county board of education.

Other Jobs Open

The judicial district which includes Jones County along with Duplin, Sampson and Onslow Counties is nominating a new superior court judge, since Incumbent Henry Stevens of Warsaw is retiring. So far the only announced candidate is H. E. Phillips of Kenansville, who is at present judge of the County Court in Duplin.

The solicitorial district which includes Jones, Carteret, Craven, Pamlico, Pitt and Greene Counties is to nominate a new solicitor since Incumbent Robert Rouse Jr. of Farmville has decided not to seek re-nomination. So far the only announced candidate for this job is Cecil May of New Bern, solicitor of the County Court in Craven.

Jones Countians, of course, have the right to seek either of these jobs, but only a lawyer may run for the solicitorial job, and there is little likelihood of any but a lawyer being nominated to the judgeship, although a candidate does not have to be a lawyer in order to seek the office.

Jones Countians also have a right to seek one of the two 7th state senatorial district seats which are presently held by Tom White of Kinston and Luther Hamilton of Carteret County. White is seeking re-nomination, but Hamilton has not yet been heard from, officially.

The job of 3rd district congressman now held by David Henderson of Wallace is also up for grabs in May and any Jones Countian who can scrap up the \$225 filing fee can take a crack at this job.

FORGERY CHARGE

Linwood Turnage of Grifton was booked by the sheriff department last week on a forgery charge.

Fellow Gets Cut; Shoots Assailant Both are Indicted

Sheriff Brown Yates says both participants in a Maysville disagreement have been indicted on charges of assault with a deadly weapon.

Three weeks ago in a Maysville brawl Howard Moore was cut about the face by Rulios Dillahunt. At that time a warrant was issued for Dillahunt, but he "took cover" and officers did not find him.

Saturday night Dillahunt came out of hiding long enough to get shot. Howard shot Dillahunt in the thigh with a .22 caliber pistol.

Good Shepherd Hospital in New Bern is ready to discharge the wounded Dillahunt, but they wanted \$40, which Sheriff Yates had no interest in paying.

Yates says he does hope somebody will get Dillahunt out of the hospital in time to be tried at the March term of Jones County Superior Court.

Mrs. Preston Banks Has Cub Scouts For Tuesday Meet

Cub Scouts of Troop 287, Den I, Pollockville, met with their den mothers and den chiefs Tuesday at the home of Mrs. Preston Banks.

On arrival from school, the boys were given refreshments, after which they had their regular meeting. The program for this week was on current events.

They welcomed a new member, Eddie Scott.

It was announced that the next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. Wallace Banks on March 6.

Land Transfers

Jones County Register of Deeds Bill Parker reports the recording of the following land transfers in his office during the past week:

From B. A. Brown to Carlton H. Brown a tract in Cypress Creek Township.

From R. P. Bender to Walmore Hotel, Inc., 1700 square feet in Pollockville Township.

From J. W. Tyndall to C. Manley Foy 13 acres in Cypress Creek Township.

From Jean Pollock Sasser to Helen Pollock Grant half interest in a Chinquapin Township tract.

From Cynthia Cox Pollock to Helen Pollock Grant two lots in Chinquapin.

From Katie Whaley Pollock to Helen Pollock Grant two lots in Chinquapin.

Marriage License

Jones County Register of Deeds Bill Parker reports the issue of two marriage licenses in the past week:

To Robert Morris Meadows, 24, of Jacksonville and Elizabeth Ann Ballard, 21, of Jacksonville.

To Donald Eugene Cox, 19, of Cove City and Dolphus Pearl Watson Grench, 26, of Cove City.

Jones Teen-Agers Appeal Sentences For Racing Charges

Two Jones County teenagers have filed notice of appeal to Superior Court from sentences imposed upon them Monday by Kinston Recorder Emmett Wooten for racing.

Walter Ives, 16, of Trenton route 2 and Johnny Grover Mallard, 17, of Pollockville route 1 were ordered not to drive for six months and to attend and successfully complete a driver training course conducted by the highway patrol. They were each also fined \$50.

Their cases will be set for trial at the March term of Lenoir County Superior Court and their bonds were set at \$100 each.

LOST AND FOUND

A 1955 Pontiac stolen Wednesday night from George Marks of 105 West South Street was found the next morning in Jacksonville.

Four Kinstonians Held For 1960 Bank Robbery

Boy Scout Meeting Includes Holding Board of Review

Troop 209 held its regular scout meeting Thursday night at the community building with 17 scouts present.

The main item on the agenda was a board of review, consisting of Harry Bryant, Albert Bracey and J. R. Holden. David Bryant, Albert Bracey Barry Britt, Barry Henderson and Douglas Henderson were questioned by the board on all phases of second class scouting, and after answering all questions satisfactorily, were advanced to rank of Second Class scouts.

Scoutmaster Brock stated he would like to keep this review board active for the next few weeks to determine how many boys might gain their second class rank before camporee. Plans are being made for this camporee which is to be held in April.

Two guests, Sgt. Duke Cagle, scoutmaster of Belgrade and William E. Mattocks, also of Belgrade were present. Mattocks has shown a great deal of interest in the scouts and they wish to express their appreciation for this interest.

Scoutmaster Cagle taught the group a few interesting games that can be played indoors.

Following a period of recreation, the troop formed a half circle and were dismissed with the Scout benediction.

Immediately afterwards, a few of the Scouts began work on their first class requirements.

OUTSTANDING BOVINE

The Holstein-Friesian Association of America has announced the completion of an outstanding official production record by a registered Holstein cow, Shangri La Sovereign Imogene 4095198, a six-year-old owned by O. D. Dunn, New Bern, produced 16,630 lbs. milk and 701 lbs. butterfat in 304 days. In contrast, the annual production of the average dairy cow is generally estimated at about 7,000 lbs. of milk containing 265 lbs. of butterfat.

The first increase in the flue-cured tobacco crop in 11 years has been authorized for the 1962 crop year by the secretary of agriculture. The increase, though seemingly small, 4.3 per cent above the 1961 allocation, is estimated to be worth \$25,000,000 in North Carolina alone.

A decision earlier this year that the government would aid in the disposal of discounted varieties of tobacco held by the Flue-Cured Tobacco Stabilization Corporation, led to the decision to approve the acreage increase for the 1962 crop.

In Lenoir County the 4.3 per cent acreage increase means the addition of 598 acres over the 13,907 acre allotment of '61. This is the equivalent to the local economy of bringing a new industry to the county that would employ 119 people at an annual salary of \$5,000.

The recent history of flue-cured tobacco has been one of acreage cuts rather than increases. The drop in tobacco consumption that resulted from the accelerated use of filter-tipped cigarettes temporarily threw the supply and demand factors out of kilter in the tobacco industry.

At the same time that the lung-cancer scare frightened people into smoking filter-tipped cigarettes the tobacco companies came up with a new technique called "homogenized" tobacco that made it possible for them to get more cigarettes out

of each pound of tobacco. This simply consisted of grinding up tobacco, mixing it with a neutral flavored adhesive and rolling it out in sheets which were then shredded as the leaf had formerly been shredded for the manufacture of cigarettes.

Local farm leaders are happy with the changing trend in the tobacco business for they feel that this additional 4.3 per cent will more or less be "profit addition" since the fixed operating costs of a farm, such as land and equipment investment, taxes, labor and insurance will not be materially increased by the production of 4.3 per cent more tobacco on each farm.

The farmer who in 1961 had 10 acres will this year only have 10.43 acres, which seems relatively insignificant to many, but in the aggregate it does mean a great deal to the East Carolina economy.

Once more farm leaders and tobacco industry spokesmen are urging farmers to diversify their types of tobacco and to stress quality over quantity, but the recent buying habits of the tobacco companies make little sense in this sphere, when they pay a disproportionate price for low quality tobacco over excellent quality tobacco.

Discount Warning

Agriculture Department officials also remind tobacco growers that there is a new discounted variety of tobacco in some plant beds this winter and they urge every farmer to save himself from considerable possible trouble by planting a certified type of tobacco from a reputable dealer.

This warning is too late in one sense for the man who has already seeded his plant bed with some unknown variety that has potentials of producing far more pounds per acre, but it is not too late for that farmer who has the unknown variety to make arrangements to obtain an approved type of plant when transplanting time comes.

METHODIST PROGRAM

A study course entitled "Under Orders" will be given Monday March 5 at the Trenton Methodist Church, under the direction of Mrs. Claude Banks, Secretary of Missionary Education. It will begin at 5 with a break for sandwiches at 6. Several members will take part in the study.

ARRESTED IN JONES

Rivers Baker of 213 North Triannon Street in Kinston was arrested by the highway patrol in Jones County last week and charged with drunken driving.

Judge Urges Compulsory Blood Test for Persons In Drunk Driving Cases

Recorder's Court Judge Emmett Wooten, speaking Wednesday to the monthly meeting of the Lenoir County Safety Council, urged passage in the next session of the general assembly of a compulsory blood test for persons indicted on drunken driving charges.

Judge Wooten said 40 of the 50 states already have laws of this kind, which actually do not force a person to have a blood test, but permit a 12-month revocation of his license if he refuses to take the blood test.

Wooten, outlining the duties and complications of his court, reminded the safety council that the local court is actually three courts: A common laws court, a domestic relations court and primarily a traffic court. He said about 75 per cent of the workload of the court is traffic cases.

Last year the court handled some over 6500 cases — a large percentage of which were submissions for which there was no actual hearing.

Wooten says one of the complications of all traffic courts is the carryover from the common law which presumes all persons to be innocent until their guilt is proven beyond a reasonable doubt, and the necessity of the court to keep in mind that traffic violators are not criminals in the ordinary concept of the word.

Physical evidence unsupported by eye-witness testimony is not admissible in traffic cases under rulings of the North Carolina Supreme Court, Wooten reminded. This frustrates the officer who is called to investigate an accident in which there was obviously a flagrant violation but to which there were no cooperative witnesses.