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## Jones Commissioner Race Will Turn Out Voters in Big Numbers

If the five-way fight for the single job of Jones County Superior Court Clerk is drawing the majority of the interest of the voters in the county it is doing so only by a very thin margin. The 11-candidate struggle for the five seats on the county board of commissioners is easily the No. 2 race scheduled for the May 26th primary.

Seven of the 11 candidates in this year's commissioner race were in the knock-down-and-drag-out fight two years ago, three are newcomers and the 11th candidate is a former county commissioner, James Barbee, who did not seek election in 1960.

Incumbents Nelson Banks, Harold Mallard, Eugene Simpson and Horace Lee Haddock, of course, were in the '60 set-to, as were John W. Creagh, Ralph Scott and Joe Turner.

Creagh and Scott were members of the board in 1960, who lost their place on the commission in the close voting of two years ago. Joe Turner was making his first stab at formal politics in '60 and came up with a flattering 997 votes, which was not enough to get him in the winner circle. It placed him 9th in a field of 10 that year.

Incumbent Simpson led the commissioner ticket in '60 with 1521 votes, Banks was 2nd with 1489, Fred Foscue was 3rd with 1383 (he is not seeking re-election this year, stepping down from the board after one two-year term), Mallard was in 4th place with 1250 votes and Haddock became the 5th member of the board two years ago with 1269 votes.

Creagh, a veteran member of the board, landed on the 6th rung of the electoral ladder with 1143 votes, and Scott was in 7th place with 1034 votes in '60.

Mrs. Virginia Pollock, Lindsey Maness and Carl Brown are making their debut in this year's voting. Of the three, the guessing gives Mrs. Pollock a very strong edge over the other two.

In fact, Mrs. Pollock is rated as a strong contender for one of the five seats on the commission.

Obviously, on the basis of the closely bunched way that Banks, Simpson, Haddock, Mallard, Creagh and Scott ran two years ago there is going to be a hectic fight by each of them for a victory.

In this race, as in the clerk race there is a better than fair chance that a second primary might be necessary before every seat on the commission is finally decided.

### Pre-School Test Schedule Is Listed

Dr. Kling would like for the children from the various schools who are to enter school next year for the first time to come to the Health Department for examinations and immunizations on the following days between the hours of 8:30 and 11:00 a.m.

Maysville — May 4  
Trenton Elementary — May 8  
Comfort — May 11  
Trenton — May 15  
J. W. Willie — May 18  
J. E. Morris — May 22

### STATION CLOSED

Army Recruiting Stations in eastern North Carolina will be closed May 10 and 11 to allow recruiters to attend a training conference in Raleigh.

## Death on 27th from April 8th Shooting Brings Murder Charge

Jones County Sheriff Brown Yates this week issued an indictment, charging Thelms Foy of Trenton route 1 with murder.

The charge came as the result of the death of Cleo Koonce last Friday in a Kinston hospital from a shotgun wound he suffered on April 8th in an argument at the home of Koonce just east of Trenton.

Foy has admitted the shooting, but claims he was acting in self defense. Koonce was struck in the stomach at close range by a load of No. 4 shot from a 12 gauge shotgun.

Bond of \$5,000 for Foy was signed by C. M. Pollock of Trenton route 1.

## School Bus Driver Runs Over Brother In Greene Tragedy

Seventeen year-old Carnell Mewborn, driver of a Greene County school bus, was indicted on a technical charge of involuntary manslaughter last week after the bus he was driving ran over his four year-old brother, Jeffrey Lynn.

Investigating officers say the bus driver stopped in the driveway to the family home on the W. F. Creech farm eight miles west of Snow Hill. There he picked up his brother and a six year-old sister. The little boy fell out of the bus and the rear wheels of the bus ran across his body, killing him instantly.

## Registration Saturday

Registration books will be open again Saturday at all regular polling places for persons who would like to register, change their party affiliation or simply to check up and see if they are properly registered to vote in the May 26th primary. The registration books will remain open until sundown May 12th. Saturday May 19th will be Challenge Day, and the voting will come one week later on the 26th.

## Marine Kills Kinston Negro Thursday Night

A quarrel that began early last week ended in the death of a Kinston negro Thursday night after a double shooting on the 100 block of West Shine Street.

Aaron R. Pigford, 22, of 503 Thompson Street was pronounced dead on arrival at Lenoir Memorial Hospital at 11:25 Thursday night and Camp Lejeune Marine Harry S. Smith has been charged with the killing. Smith is also a negro.

Smith also suffered a stomach wound in the shooting incident, but he was taken to the infirmary at Camp Lejeune by friends, where he was questioned on Friday by Kinston police.

Smith said that a gang of "Black bandanas" had been after him for a week in Kinston. He had to be escorted out of a Mitchell Wooten Courts apartment earlier in the week, when it was surrounded by this group.

His version of the Thursday night shooting is that he was at

## Counterfeiters' Trial Set for May 23rd Term

A man serving a prison sentence and a Jacksonville printer apparently were the key men in helping secret service men break a huge counterfeiting ring last month.

This was indicated Wednesday in details, set forth in indictments returned at New Bern by a federal grand jury against Earl Baysden, a Jacksonville businessman, and four others arrested at Jacksonville on April 22nd in a two-state crackdown.

The five will be tried at the May 23rd term of federal court at New Bern. In addition to Baysden, the others are Clennie Humphrey and Norwood Whaley, both of Richlands; Durwood Sparrow of Kinston, and Edward E. Thorpe of Richmond, Virginia.

James Matthew Walsh, now serving a prison term at the federal reformatory at Lewisburg, Pennsylvania, is named as a co-conspirator but not indicted in the true bills returned yesterday.

Also mentioned in the indictments as a material witness is Alvin Raymond Shroufe, a Jacksonville printer.

## Second Marine Dies From April 14 Wreck

Last Wednesday the second of two Marines injured in a wreck on April 14 north of Kinston died in the hospital at Camp Lejeune.

Harry P. Ferris, driver of the car, was killed instantly, when it went out of control at a high rate of speed near Mewborn Crossroads on the afternoon of April 14.

The car's only other passenger, Richard C. Culmo died last Wednesday afternoon.

Culmo's death is the 8th of 1962 on the streets and roads of Lenoir County.

## Early Thursday Fire Razes Byrd Sawmill

### Nine Jones Arrests In Past Two Weeks

In the past two weeks Jones County Sheriff Brown Yates reports the indictment of nine people.

Four of this nine were charged with violating the liquor laws. William T. Banks and Wilbur Metts of Trenton route 2 and Richard Willoughby and Dalton Garvis of Kinston were each charged with possession of stumphole whisky and Metts was also charged with being publicly drunk.

William H. Ipock of New Bern route 4 and Lewis H. White of Pollocksville were each charged with drunken driving and White was also charged with hit-and-run driving.

Clennie Lee Hill of Pollocksville route 1 was charged with being drunk on the highway and Mary Hill Williams of Pollocksville was charged with public drunkenness.

David Robert of Hockinger, N.Y. was booked for speeding.

### SUPPER SUNDAY

The Fellowship Class of the Methodist Church will have a chicken stew Sunday night May 6 at 6:00 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Brock. The whole family is invited.

## Trenton Has 27 Scouts At Wilson Camporee

### Maysville Woodmen Give Belgrade Scouts New Flag Wednesday

The Woodman Camp 187 of Maysville presented a flag to Boy Scouts of Belgrade, Troop 35 Wednesday evening in the Methodist Church in Belgrade.

Presenting the flag was Archie Hall of Jacksonville, J. C. Odum, Scoutmaster, accepted the flag.

Henry Mills is secretary, Edward Earl Parker, consul commander and W. G. Bynum, banker.

There were 22 persons present to watch the presentation.

### Land Transfers

Jones County Register of Deeds Bill Parker reports the recording of the following real estate transfers in the past two weeks in Jones County:

From Mrs. Hattie Copeland Hill to Nathaniel Hill Jr. 156.5 acres in Beaver Creek Township.

From D. W. Koonce and Donald P. Brock to W. B. Brafford 74 acres in White Oak Township.

From Ida Rouse Henderson to Matilda Cox in Pollocksville.

From Walter Howard to Bryant Griffin and Norwood Mercer, tracts in an unlisted township.

From Eugene Simpson to Francis Sabotor 1.47 acres in White Oak Township.

From H. C. Bell to Floyd R. Killette tract in Pollocksville Township.

From Della Banks Bell to Allen Roger Banks and to Staley Earl Banks tracts in Cypress Creek Township.

From Johnnie C. Small to S. A. Norris .6 acres in Tuckahoe Township.

From R. P. Bender to Earl Scott, and to Otis Simmons each a lot in Pollocksville Township.

From Pearl McRea to Wise Homes, Inc., a lot in Pollocksville Township.

### Next Week Baseball

Friday — Rocky Mount  
Monday — Winston-Salem  
Tuesday — Winston-Salem  
Wednesday — Greensboro  
Thursday — Greensboro

Fire of undetermined origin Thursday morning completely destroyed the sawmill of W. R. Byrd at Maysville.

Maysville Fire Chief Joe Monette said the fire was discovered at about 2 a.m. and at that time the entire mill was completely on fire.

Firemen from Belgrade and Jacksonville came in and helped the Maysville Volunteer Fire Department contain the blaze.

No estimate of the damage has been made, and Byrd has not announced on Thursday whether he would rebuild the mill.

Something like a dozen men were employed at the mill, which was located between Maysville and Belgrade just west of US 17.

## Southwood Senior Commits Suicide At Home Tuesday

Seventeen year-old Larry Smith, son of Mrs. Jesse W. Smith of 1808 Keith Street in the Rivermont Community, killed himself early Tuesday with a single .22 caliber bullet in the heart.

Young Smith, a senior and star athlete at Southwood High School, had recently been despondent and had been under treatment. Seven years ago his father committed suicide.

Twenty seven boy scouts from Trenton Boy Scout Troop 109 were among the 4,000 scouts attending the big East Carolina Council Boy Scout Camporee in Wilson last weekend.

All three of the troop's patrols won blue ribbons based on their scouting activities for the past year, plus their camping proficiency and scouting skills at camporee.

The Scouts displayed their camping and cooking skills and took part in five events: Scouting knowledge, first aid, fire building with flint and steel, compass, and a knot tying rescue relay.

One of the highlights of the camporee was a visit by TV star Andy Griffith.

Scouts attending from Troop 109 were Rodney Johnson, Tommy Johnson, Kenneth Doster, Dennis Banks, Phillip and Robert West, Billy Adams, Billy Parker, Rich Franck, Ronnie Pollock, Jimmy Pollock, Tommy and Joby Arthur, Virgil Huffman, Wayne Turner, Lester and Jimmie Smith, Ronald Heath, Marshall Gilbert, Leon Whaley, Jackie Eubanks, Tommy and Jimmie Swink, George and Phillip Cox and Gary Jarman. The boys were accompanied by their scoutmasters, Jimmie Franck and Bill Parker.

### MUFFIN CONTEST

There will be a Corn Meal Muffin Contest for the Junior 4-H'ers at the Agriculture building May 7 at 3:30 p.m. Those entering are Carol and Sue Cauley, Paula White and Patrick Faulkner from Wyse Fork Club, Linda Moore from the Trent Racketeers, Nancy Faye Greer from the Poplar Club and Claudia Armstrong from the Thunderbird Club.

### STABBING CHARGE

James Coy Freeman of Deep Run route 1 is recuperating from a deep stab wound just beneath the heart and Kenneth Alphin of the same address is under indictment for assault with a deadly weapon with intent to kill. In the same fracas J. B. Alphin was charged with simple affray.