

FHA Lends \$462,390 In Jones County in '63

Credit to purchase livestock and equipment and meet other farm operating costs helped 100 Jones County families increase their income in 1963, J. E. Mewborn Jr., county supervisor of the Farmers Home Administration reported this week.

Mewborn said the agency made operating loans totaling \$462,390 to farmers in the county during 1963.

The amount of operating loans made to Jones County Farmers in 1963 increased twenty percent over that for 1962, Mewborn reported. Loans are made only to farmers who are unable to obtain credit from conventional lenders. They may be used to buy machinery and equipment, livestock, feed, seed and fertilizer, to pay other farm and home costs, and to refinance debts.

Interest rate is 5 per cent to be repaid over a period of 1 to 7 years. However in 1963 Jones County farmers were eligible for emergency loans which carry a interest rate of 3 per cent.

Mewborn reported the FHA operating loan program in 1963 was of particular benefit to three groups of farmers in Jones County:

- (1) Farmers who need credit to make major changes in their farm operations to do a successful job of farming.
- (2) Young farmers who have an opportunity of taking over the farming operations of older farmers wanting to retire, and
- (3) Farmers working full or part-time at another job who need operating credit to realize the maximum return from their limited farming operations.

He cited the 1963 record of the Harold Lee Smith family of Maple Grove Community to illustrate how an outstanding FHA borrower has used operating credit to up-grade his farming operation.

FHA makes operating loans to eligible farm families who cannot obtain credit from other lenders. Borrowers also are assisted in planning and reorganizing their farming operations to produce the highest return.

Applications for an FHA operating loan may be made at the FHA office in the Agriculture Building. The office is open from 8 a. m. to 5 p. m. Monday through Friday.

Stick-up Sentence

James Alfred Lewis of Whiteville Tuesday received a 12-to-15 year term in state prison after he pled guilty to the armed robbery of a La Grange dry cleaning plant last month in which he got about \$100 after pulling a pistol on the lone woman attendant in the plant. He was captured that same night in Kinston, driving a car he had stolen earlier in the week in Whiteville. He had only been out of prison about four weeks when caught in Kinston.

THREE SENTENCED

Last week Judge Buck Wooten gave three Happersville teenagers six months in a youthful offender camp after finding them guilty of stealing batteries and radiators from a local garage. The three are Willie Allace, Willie Lawson and Jacob Koonce Jr.

Lake Names Bender Jones Manager

Candidate Beverly Lake last Friday named Attorney Robert P. Bender of Pollockville as his campaign manager in Jones County.

Attorney Bender is a native of Jones County, and a former member of the North Carolina General Assembly. He is a former president of the District Bar Association in his section, and a former member of the Jones County Board of Education.

Bruce Johnson New Jones Central High PTA President

The Jones Central Parent-Teachers Association met Monday night, March 16, with Mrs. John Hughes Pollock, president, presiding.

The new officers for 1964-65 included Bruce Johnson, President, Mrs. Pauline McDaniel, vice-president, Mrs. James White, Secretary and Mrs. Rogers Pollock, Treasurer.

Mr. Leo Nance gave a report on the Oral Polio Clinics to be held at Jones Central High School on March 22, April 19 and May 17. Everyone in the County is urged to take the vaccine.

Easter Pageant Sunday By Methodist Choir

The Maysville Methodist Church Junior Choir will present an Easter Pageant, "Peter and the Resurrection," Sunday, March 22 at 7:30 p. m. in the church sanctuary.

This is an account in story, song, and color slide projection of the events that took place the last week of Jesus' life on earth.

It begins with the triumphal procession into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday and ends with the Ascension.

The following are members of the choir: Janet Britt, Gregory Britt, Janice Jones, Dianne Jones, Lynn Thompson, Mac Thompson, Michael Thompson, Larry Thompson, Wayne Smith, Shirley Provost, Linda Provost, William Pruitt, Robin Knight, Glenda Forrester, Jernice Jones and Susan Morgan.

Mrs. R. N. Knight is director and Mrs. Rudolph Pelletier the accompanist. Everyone is cordially invited to attend this service.

Land Transfers

The office of Jones County Tax Collector Julian Waller reports the following transfers of land in Jones County during the past two weeks:

From Marvin and Barbara Thigpen to James and Joyce Thigpen .5 acres in Trenton Township.

From S. W. and Clemmie McCoy to L. W., L. E., and Paul McCoy 11 acres in Trenton Township.

From Hubert and Fannie Nicholson to Ronald and Peggy Green 41 acres in Cypress Creek Township.

From Isaac and Effie Heath to the trustees of Great Branch Community Church 24,000 square feet in Tuckahoe Township.

From Alma McDaniel to Maysville Methodist Church one lot.

From Lovie S. Weeks to Maysville Methodist Church three lots.

From Harvey and Linda Tucker and others to Ackrey Jones Tucker Greene tracts of 5.7 and 7.96 acres in Beaver Creek Township.

From Grace Pollock and daughter to Kinston Production Credit Corporation .06 acres in Trenton Township.

From Thomas and Mary Hood to J. E. and Dorothy Byrd 1.04 acres in Beaver Creek Township.

ILLEGITIMATE PAPAS

Last week Robert White Jr. of 704 Dudley Alley and Theodore May of 1118 Reed Street were arrested on warrants that charged them with being illegitimate fathers and failing to support their child.

Chinquapin Group Has Building Plans

The Chinquapin Community Development Association met recently with Z. A. Koonce presiding.

Thurman DeBruhl, chairman of the Building Committee, reported that 3 sites are available. All members are asked to visit these sites so that a vote can be held at the next meeting.

Mrs. Faytie Gray showed slides on community project ideas.

Mrs. Z. A. Koonce and Mrs. Tommy Smith will be in charge of the program for the next meeting which will be held March 26 at 7:30 o'clock in the Chinquapin Church.

Earlier Consolidation Possibility Considered By Lenoir School Board

Monday the Lenoir County School Board held another session on the thorny issue of high school consolidation and discussed at length many facets of this ancient poser.

Foremost was a letter from the state board of education which took a dim view of a single consolidated high school. The state board holds the view that high schools should not have more than 1500 students, and that a single high school for Lenoir County would open its doors dangerously near to this maximum student load.

The issue of whether to recommend one or two schools had been threshed out at great length by the county board, with the final decision coming last month in favor of a single school, but when confronted with the attitude of the state school board which favors two schools, the county board had to go back to the "drawing boards."

Added to this disagreement between the county and state school boards is growing sentiment for immediate consolidation that could be done in time for the 1964-65 school year, and without any huge outlays of money.

Proponents of this "administrative consolidation" headed by County Commission Chairman Cameron Langston insist that even if money were now in hand for a building program it would be at least two school years before students would benefit from an enriched curriculum and expanded

Jones-Lenoir-Greene Open War Sunday on Infantile Paralysis

Attend 'Wet Run'

Those attending the Polio "wet run" clinic on Sunday afternoon from Jones County were Mrs. Wilmer Mallard, Mr. Milton Hines, Mrs. Lawrence Pollock, Mrs. Carlton Ipeck, Dr. John Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Nance, Mrs. Sylvanus Mallard, Mrs. Bill Parker, Mrs. Woodrow Hill, Mrs. Ellis Banks, Mrs. Brown Yates and David Porter.

Lottery Charges from Saturday Raids; Big Sum Cash Impounded

Simultaneous raids Saturday afternoon by Kinston police resulted in the indictment of two East Washington Street women on charge of possessing lottery tickets and the impounding of a large sum of money found in the search of one of the homes.

Mrs. Sallie Harrison Banks Simons of 609 East Washington was charged with the violation and \$6,265.34 found in a large handbag along with lottery tickets were impounded.

Mrs. Charlotte Fordham of 403 East Washington had only \$3.14 mixed up with lottery tickets in a paper bag when police raided her home.

On Tuesday Mrs. Freeman pled guilty to possession of the gambling devices and was given a 3-month jail term, suspended on payment of a \$25 fine and the further condition that she not violate any lottery laws for a 3-year period.

TRUCK TANGLE

Trucks driven by Sam Turner of Kinston route 5 and Johnny Davis of Kinston route 2 collided in Spruce Alley last Thursday morning with damage estimated at \$350.

Sunday the first of three clinics is to be held in Jones, Green and Lenoir counties in an all-out effort to wipe out infantile paralysis.

Volunteer workers will man 17 clinics from Noon until 5 p. m. Sunday in the administering of Sabine Oral Vaccine to all comers, regardless of age.

Lenoir Clinics

In Lenoir County the clinics will be in the following schools: Bynum, Sampson, Lewis, Northwest, Teachers Memorial, Frink, Savannah, La Grange, Contentnea, Southwood, Wheat Swamp, Woodington, and Pink Hill.

Jones Clinics

The Jones County clinics will be held in Jones Central High School and Jones County High School.

Greene Clinics

The Greene County clinics will be held in Greene Central High School and Greene County Training School.

The medical societies in the three counties are urging everyone, regardless of age to take this series of three injections which are needed to protect one from all types of polio.

The serum is taken orally on a lump of sugar, and it is hoped that every citizen in the three counties will take advantage of this opportunity to remove the fear of polio from their family.

It is stressed that even though one has had the Salk vaccine it is still wise to take the Sabine since it prevents a person from being a carrier as well as protects him from infection by the polio virus.

There is no charge for the serum but persons are asked to make whatever contributions they feel proper to help defray the estimated \$17,000 cost of this three-county effort.

It is necessary to begin the cycle of inoculations on Sunday, and to continue on Sunday April 19th and May 17th to get complete protection.

FEMALE POLITICIAN

G. Paul LaRoque, manager of Richardson Preyer's campaign for Governor in Lenoir County, last week announced that Mrs. Marvin C. Johnsey of Kinston will direct the women's division of Preyer's campaign in Kinston.

MUSTN'T BORROW

Bobby Arnold of 422 N. Davis Street Tuesday was given six months in jail for unauthorized use of a motor vehicle.

school boards could move along while the rural high school students would have the benefits of better exposure to education.

Kinston Drag Strip Scene Big Doings 22nd

The Who's Who of drag racing will be at Kinston Drag Strip Sunday, March 22nd for the 2nd annual "DIXIE 2000." Record holders from 14 states will gather to try for the over \$2000 cash up for the winners Sunday.

Arnie Beswick, Drag News Champion from Morrison, Illinois will be on hand with his 1963 Pontiac Tempest.

Ronnie Sox, the eastern entry that shocked the West coast at Pomona, California with his amazing speeds and wins will be here with his 1964 Comet equipped with the Mercury 427 high performance engine.

Milo Coleman from Madiera Beach, Fla., winner of his class at the National drags in Indianapolis,

Ind. last year will be on hand with his 1964 Fairlane, as will be Billy West from Raleigh who has taken 1st place in Kinston on the last 4 out of 5 tries.

A number of drivers from out of state will be at the track Saturday afternoon for try-outs, testing their super-hot cars for Sunday's racing spectacular.

A few drivers are listed below: Ronnie Sox, 64 Comet, Burlington; Arnie Beswick, 64 Tempest, Morrison, Ill.; C. J. Smith, 63 Plymouth, Birmingham, Ala.; Billy Jacobs, 63 Dodge, Birmingham, Ala.; Milo Coleman, Madiera Beach, Fla.; Hubert (Hue Baby) Platt, 64 Fairlane, Atlanta, Ga. Richard Broome, 63 Chev., Charlotte; and Billy West, 63 Plymouth, Raleigh.