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Man Suing Wife for \$50,000 Damages, Alleging She Drove in Reckless Way

Principal among the cases filed in Jones County Superior Court in the past week is that in which Edmund Huffman is suing his wife, Ella, for \$50,000. The suit alleges that on November 13, 1962 the family car stalled and Huffman asked his wife to steer the car while someone else pushed their car with another car.

Tommy Johnson Elected President District Club

Tommy Johnson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Johnson of Route One, Trenton, was elected President of the Eastern District Club at a meeting held on November 13 at East Duplin High School.

Johnson is Vice-President of the Jones Central Library Club and is active in many student activities at Jones Central. Other officers elected were Deborah Cottle of Morehead City, Vice-President; Linda Carter of Wallace - Rose Hill, Secretary; and Laurie Brinkley of East Duplin, Reporter.

Among the library assistants attending the meeting from Jones Central were Vedys Black, Sandra Findeisen, Linda Had-dock, Billy Harrison, Judy Haskins, Kay McDaniel, Becky McGhee, Gail Scott, Frankie Taylor, and Tommy Johnson, Mrs. Mary Thomas, advisor of the club also accompanied the group.

Victor Batts, President of the District for 1964 - 1965, presided at the meeting. The guest speaker was Mr. Tom Pritchard, Teacher, Coach, Audio-Visual Co - Ordinator, and Assistant Principal of Jones Central High School. He gave an informative talk on audio-visuals. He also showed a film about an experiment being conducted in audio-visuals.

During the afternoon session, the members of the Jones Central Library Club conducted a workshop on audio-visuals. The members demonstrated how to operate various machines.

The next District Library Club meeting will be held at Jones Central High School.

While pushing was going on Huffman rode on the front fender of the family flivver, making adjustments to the carburetor.

After a brief pushing and adjusting spell the car started and Huffman says his wife suddenly accelerated the car and then suddenly put on brakes, causing him to dash forward.

Huffman further alleges that he landed on his head and suffered painful and serious injuries for which he feels entitled to \$50,000 damages and "such other relief as the court may feel proper."

In another action filed in the court Dixie Chemical Company of New Bern has filed papers seeking to recover \$2500 worth of farm machinery which it alleges ownership of, and which it claims Ralph and Edna Noble hold in their possession and have repeatedly refused to surrender.

State Welfare Head Still Stubborn Jones County Budget, Funds Now Out

State Welfare Commissioner Eugene Brown is being more stubborn with Jones County than Francis Keppel, the federal boss, was with Brown some weeks ago.

At that time Brown went up on the tallest hill he could find around Raleigh and let out a bleat about Washington trying to dictate the salary scale of the North Carolina welfare department. Keppel's crowd had threatened to cut off several million dollars to North Carolina if Brown's boys didn't fix their pay pay scale to suit the agents working for Keppel.

Finally, the feds relented and the money was turned loose.

And while Brown was hollering at the top of his bureaucratic voice about Washington trying to run his office, he was busy trying to dictate to the Jones County Board of Commissioners what they should pay each worker in the Jones County Welfare Department.

The commissioners replied, through their attorney to Brown, by reminding that they had approved without a single change

Murphytown Wins County Contest

by Fletcher Barber
Farm Agent

Murphytown Community of Route 1, Pollocksville won the Community Development Contest sponsored by the Neuse Development Association.

Other communities in Jones County there were in competition with Murphytown were Trenton Community and Long Point.

Murphytown Community Development Organization will receive a minimum of \$50 award for being County Winner. Also they were judged in competition for the Area award of \$125 on November 17. Counties to be in competition with Jones are Wayne, Lenoir, Craven and Greene.

Murphytown community won on the basis of accomplishments made in the following areas; home improvement, increase income, community projects, and youth activities.

Power Company Files Condemnation Suits Against Jones Countians for Additional High-Voltage Transmission

Little Too Dim

Tuesday night about four miles south of LaGrange George Hardy of Seven Springs route 1 dimmed his lights as he met a car. But when he hit the dimmer switch all his lights went out and he hit the ditch. His 1955 model car was judged a total loss and he was treated for painful but not serious injuries at Parrott Memorial Hospital in Kinston.

Jones Central's Future Teachers Raise \$338 Friday

The Future Teachers of America of Jones Central had a busy and rewarding week.

The week began with the regular monthly meeting Monday night, November 8, in the Home Economics Room at Jones Central. Ann DuVal, the president, presided at the meeting. Janice Lowery gave the devotions, and the minutes of the last meeting were approved. Two major topics for the discussion were National Education Week and FUN NIGHT. After the meeting Charlotte Gardner and Deloria Young served refreshments.

On Wednesday, in observance of National Education Week, the Future Teachers of America surprised the faculty of Jones Central by placing in their mailboxes an apple with green paper leaves. On the leaves was printed a small message, "Thanks from the F.T.A." In a talk given by Lyb McDaniel the faculty was complimented for the fine job they were doing.

On Friday night FUN NIGHT was held in the gym. This was carried out in the form of a Bingo Party. Prizes that had been donated by the merchants and pies and cakes that were baked by the F. T. A. members were given to the winners. A turkey was given away as a door prize. J. J. Chadwick of Trenton had the lucky ticket. Later, it was announced by Mrs. Sue Banks, sponsor of the Future Teachers, that \$338 was raised. The money will go into a scholarship fund for one of the senior members of the Future Teachers of Jones Central.

By Ann Mallard,
F.T.A. Reporter

The Carolina Power & Light Company has filed condemnation suits against James Eugene Hood for right of ways across lands he owns in Jones and Craven counties.

The utility is in the process of laying out a new super-high voltage line between Kinston and New Bern and it claims to need a completely different right of way than the one it already has between these two communities, and it has filed action to acquire right of way over 3,949.81 feet of Hood's land in Craven County and 3,481.03 feet in Jones County, and this calls for a 90-foot right of way over these distances.

Although a majority of the right of way from Hood is in wood the actual construction of super-high-voltage line automatically takes much more than a 90-foot strip out of usefulness insofar as the landowner is concerned.

Lending agencies will not issue loans for home construction within 300 feet of a 110,000 volt line — the kind now connecting Kinston and New Bern — and up until now no guidelines have been set as far as loan restrictions are concerned on the 262,000 volt line that is to be built along this new right of way.

Hood is among many landowners in the area against whom condemnations have been or will be filed in the near future.

A majority of those who have spoken out on the subject admit that power lines must be built, but their general feeling is that there should be possible a review of the route chosen by the power company before any construction begins.

Under existing state law the power company picks the route it wants, goes directly ahead with construction of its lines and the only litigation possible is over the price of the land taken.

There is a growing sentiment among landowners that the courts ought to also be able to review the route picked by the power company, as well as the need for additional right of ways which parallel existing right of ways.

DOUBLE TROUBLE

Roland W. Harper of New Bern Road was booked by the Sheriff's department Monday night on charges of assault with a deadly weapon and carrying a concealed weapon.

Tuesday Fire Damages Steakhouse



At 11 Tuesday morning a gas line caught fire and spread flames in the attic of Mike's Steakhouse on West Vernon Avenue in Kinston. The Tuesday dinner was spoiled by the smoke, water and general excitement, but Steakhouse Operator Clarence Pharo says he'll be back in business just as quickly as carpenters, electricians and roofers can repair the damage which is likely to run well past the \$1,000-dollar mark.

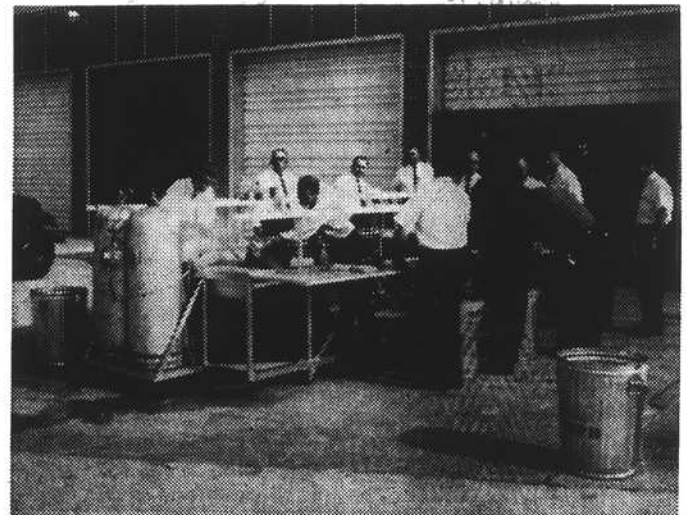
Meanwhile, if funds run out and the welfare workers in Jones County don't get their pay checks they can always go across the street and volunteer to fight poverty with Craven Operation Progress, Inc. which has a neighborhood youth corps and two or three other projects kicking around with funds sent county budget.

into the provinces by General Sargent Shriver.

STILL DESTROYED

Deputy Sheriff Herman Dail and Constables R. B. Sheppard and Robert Garriss Tuesday morning destroyed an oil - drum still and 2,000 gallons of mash in the Sand Hill section of Lenoir County.

It's That Time of The Year Again



This was the scene last week when the Washington Fire Department was host to three of Kinston's most able oyster shuckers. The portable oyster bar — patented by Washington Fire Chief Fred Potts — turned out several bushels of these succulent bivalves, and a goodly percentage of these came back to Kinston with Kinston Fire Chief Joe Haley, Alderman Buddy Rayner, and their chauffeur, Newsman Jack Rider. Two of the three may be seen in the above picture, with their back to the camera and their face aimed at them there oysters.