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Monday Fire Put Out Before Firemen Can Reach Home

The Trenton Volunteer Fire Department answered a call to the Gordon Eubanks residence in the Plantation area about eight miles west of Trenton at six o'clock Monday afternoon.

The volunteer firemen did not actually reach the Eubanks residence since Eubanks met them a couple of miles from his home and told the firemen that he had already extinguished the small fire and there was no need of their fire-fighting services.

In thanking the volunteer firemen for their prompt action, Eubanks failed to mention the cause of the minor blaze.

Four Jones Arrests During Past Week

The Jones County Sheriff's department reports the following arrests during the past week: Eddie Earl Roberts, of Route 2 Trenton for assault.

Willie Lee Brookshire, of Camp Lejuene was brought in by State Highway Patrolman R. R. Mason on charges of drunk driving and driving on the wrong side of the road that arose out of a traffic accident Brookshire was involved in on Highway 17 between Pollockville and Maysville.

Raiford Jarman was brought in by Deputy Dan Killingsworth and Constable J. L. Westbrook on several charges of passing

Rotarians Hear Chinese Songs

Jay Black presented a program of Chinese popular music to the Maysville Rotary Club on January 2nd. Black was in China in 1945-1946 during World War Two.

The program consisted of five songs. The Rhythm of the songs is different from the traditional Chinese music. It is like American dance music of that time.

All the songs were sung in Mandarin which is the national language of China based on the language of the capital city of Peking.

worthless checks.

Jones County Court Clerk Henderson Announces Candidacy for One of 4 District Judgeships in 4th District

Walter P. Henderson, Superior Court Clerk and Juvenile Judge for Jones County has announced that he will seek one of the four District Judgeships of the Fourth Judicial District in the May 4th primary.

Henderson, 40, is a native of Trenton and married to the former Surena Bissette of near Wilson. He was educated at Trenton High School and the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. A veteran of the Air Force, Henderson was a member of the AACS Flying Maintenance Squadron and served three years in the Pacific Theatre with headquarters in Tokyo, Japan.

He is the author of a short novel, "Down to Seven" published in 1957, and has written several short stories, poetry and two other novels.

Elected to the office of Superior court clerk in 1962, Henderson was re-elected to that position in 1966 with the highest vote ever given to any candidate in Jones County.

Henderson, who has served as Juvenile Judge for five years, says he feels that one of the four District Judges elected in the district should have experience in juvenile matters.



The new District Court, when it begins operation on December 2nd, will assume jurisdiction of all juvenile matters, criminal misdemeanors, domestic relations and civil actions up to \$5,000 damages.

He stated further that the general opinion he has observed in the district, comprised of Jones, Onslow, Duplin and Sampson counties, is that it would be good to have one Judge elected from each of the four counties of the 4th Judicial District.

Downtown Kinston Landmark Destroyed Early Sunday



This is the gutted remains of one of Downtown Kinston's most handsome landmarks, the Quinn-Miller Building, which in recent years has been leased to Baker Furniture Company. Shortly before 2 Sunday morning, just as the store owner and operator, Mrs. Paul Baker, was in the act of leaving the store an explosive fire spread rapidly upward from the rear of the building and all over the store. Policeman Durwood Smith, who had come to the store at her call to escort her home — a practice she made when working after regular hours, was present at the time the fire began to spread, and had to restrain Mrs. Baker from going back into the building. Lt. Joe Clark of the Kinston Fire Department suffered fractures of both arms

when he fell from a ladder to the roof of Dupree's Shop. Three other firemen were overcome by smoke. The building belongs to heirs of Jerry Quinn and J. O. Miller, and no complete assessment has been made yet of the damage. The building was begun in 1913 and completed in 1914, and has continued as one of Kinston's major furniture outlets since. Firemen from six departments in the area assisted the Kinston department in keeping the blaze confined to the one building, although smoke and water damage to the Dupree business was heavy. Observers place the range of the loss from \$250,000 up. An intensive investigation is being made by local and state officers to determine, if possible the cause of the fire, but no statement has been issued on that subject so far.

Routine Session Recorder's Court Handles Numerous Traffic Violations

Last Friday's session of Recorder's Court consisted almost entirely of the payment of traffic fines and tickets by offenders who chose to waive appearance before Judge Joe Becton.

Of the five cases that came before Becton judgements were handed down in only two. The other cases were nol prossed by the State. Seventy-one year old Loyal Franklin of Route 1 Pollockville faced two charges that arose out of a hit-and-run accident that occurred during the Christmas Holidays. Franklin pleaded not guilty and was found not guilty of driving under the influence, but pleaded guilty and was found guilty of leaving the scene of an accident.

Judge Becton gave Franklin a 90-day suspended sentence upon the condition that he not drive at night for a period of five years.

In the second decision, Judge Becton declared no probable cause existed in the breaking, entering and stealing case against Henry Lewis, Jr. of Beaulaville.

The State took nol prosses with leave in the cases of James Walter Phillips, of Route 1 Pollockville who was charged with following too closely, John Earl Berry, of 910 West Street, New Bern, charged with driving with an invalid operator's license, and Thurman Williams of Duplin County, charged with passing worthless checks.

Those defendants who waived appearance and paid their fines were as follows: Charles Carter Travis III, of New Bern and Kenneth Gordon Raposa, of Wilmington, \$31 apiece for speeding 75 mph in a 60 mph zone; Milton Chapman, of New Haven, Conn. and Charles Douglas Thigpen, of Route 2 Trenton, \$26 apiece for speeding 70 mph in a 60 mph zone.

Wilson Franklin Whorton, of Merritt paid \$26 for speeding 60 mph in a 50 mph zone; and Wallace Madden, of Route 5 New Bern and James Henry Hill, of Chinquapin paid \$13 apiece for failing to stop at a stop sign.

Illicit Elixir Plant Destroyed In Tuckahoe Township

Deputy Sheriff Dan Killingsworth reported Monday the destruction last Tuesday of a 50-gallon capacity liquor still operation in the wooded area behind the W. H. Nobles farm in Tuckahoe Township.

Killingsworth said that the Jones County Sheriff's Department was assisted in the move against the bootleggers by Lenoir County ABC officers. The lawmen discovered and destroyed, along with the 50-gallon still, twelve 50-gallon barrels of mash.

According to Killingsworth, no arrests were made in the action because the bootleggers fled through the densely wooded area as the law officers approached the site.

Six Mail Fraud Raps Brought in Lenoir County Hail Fiasco

In federal court Tuesday 12 charges of mail fraud were brought against six men from the Kinston area.

John Elmore, former Kinston insurance broker, now living near Scotland Neck, was charged with six instances of mail fraud, Willie Hudson of Grifton was charged in three, Floyd B. Gray Jr. of Wheat Swamp was charged in two, Earl Eubanks of Jenny Lind, J. W. Poole of Falling Creek and Floyd B. Jones of Moss Hill were each charged in one instance.

METHODIST SUPPER

A covered dish supper will be held at the Maysville Methodist church Saturday night.