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Judge Larkins Lauded Saturday At Federal Building Dedication

It was John Larkins day all the way Saturday, January 27, as Larkins, United States Eastern District Court Judge, presided over a dedication ceremony for the Jones County Federal Building in Trenton. The dedication services included the introduction of an impressive list of local, state and national dignitaries.

Trenton Mayor Dr. John H. Thompson set the tone of the dedication program when in his welcoming remarks he said that the purpose of the ceremony was "not so much to dedicate a building as to recognize the lifelong achievements of Trenton and Jones County's most outstanding citizen, John D. Larkins Jr."

Most of the historic civic event consisted of the introduction and recognition of persons who assisted in obtaining the Federal Building for Trenton. Larkins acted as Master of Ceremonies for the many guests, all of whom had congratulatory remarks for the beauty and functional aspects of the building.

First District Congressman Walter B. Jones spoke briefly and remarked to Larkins that the program audience was "the largest he had ever seen in captivity".

Jones was followed to the speaker's stand by Third District Congressman David N. Henderson who was instrumental in initiating the move to obtain the Federal Building for Trenton when he represented Jones County before redistricting legislation in recent years.

The several speeches of the afternoon were interspersed with entertainment and patriotic activities including the raising of a flag that had flown over the nation's capitol in Washington, D. C. The flag was presented by Congressman Jones and raised by members of the Trenton American Legion Post 154.

Jones High School's choral group sang three selections, "Give Me Your Tired Your Poor", "I'm Going To The Charlot In The Morning, Lord" and a stirring rendition of "The Battle Hymn Of The Republic".

United States Senator B. Everett Jordan, in introducing guest of honor speaker, Sam J. Ervin Jr., said that Ervin is recognized as the finest lawyer in the United States Senate.

Senator Ervin called upon the approximately 500 people in the audience to "rededicate ourselves, in dedicating this Federal Building, to those principles for which the American flag stands."

Ervin recalled the American heritage and the spirit of the founding fathers in their fight for economic, political, and religious freedom and urged that all Americans "persevere in their efforts to retain those hard-won freedoms that are such a vital part of our heritage, even though many people in taaarraolatuaoaaooool high places would take those freedoms away while promising security in their stead."

there to serve them. Refreshments were served in the Trenton Masonic Lodge during the Federal Building open house.

BARBECUE DINNER
The Pleasant Hill Christian Church in Jones County is having a barbecue chicken dinner Saturday, February 3rd. Dinner will be served starting at 11 a.m. and will last until everyone has eaten his fill.

Over 300 Attend Moose Lodge Dedication on Wednesday Night

Jones County Moose Lodge 2136 held its formal dedication services last Wednesday night, January 24, at their new lodge quarters on Highway 58, four miles south of Trenton.

The expected guest speaker, Walter Ketz, Superintendent of the model city and school of Mooseheart for children of deceased and indigent Moose members, 30 miles west of Bellevue, Illinois, was not able to attend because his teen-age daughter had been critically injured in an automobile accident in Charlotte, North Carolina.

Standing in for Ketz was State Director of the Moose, Bill Moon, who held a lengthy press conference at 6:30 in the evening and told reporters that the purpose of the Moose was "to promote healthy and productive fraternalism among working-class people throughout the English-speaking world."

Moon said that Mooseheart had never in its long history had a graduate of the high school there convicted of a felony. He said that as State Director he had turned over almost two mil-

Two Jones Arrests

Jones County Sheriff Brown Yates reports two arrests during the past week: Perry Bellamy, of Route 1 Pollocksville was brought in by Patrolman R. R. Mason for driving under the influence and driving without a license. Preston Hugh Driver of 312 East Caswell Street in Kinston was charged by Patrolman C. W. Oakley with drunken driving.

Jasper Lee Foy Objects to Unfair Help to Private Business From Government Agency

Jones County farmer Jasper Lee Foy who lives near the intersection of Highways 41 and 58 three miles west of Trenton, has been a purchasing agent for Lutz and Schram Company to buy cucumber crops for the last five years but says that he may not be able to operate this year because of a county-wide campaign of competition by a private firm that is being endorsed by the Federal Government.

Posters of the H. W. Madison Company of Cleveland, Ohio, which have been circulated throughout the county recently carry the following advertisement: "SPECIAL NOTICE TO ALL FARMERS! The H. W. Madison Company is now contracting for delivery to its receiving station in your area. Prices are now higher than they have been. Cucumbers are a GOOD CASH CROP, and we urge you to sign up with the agent whose name is listed below."

The "agent" listed below is none other than the Jones County Economic Development Corporation, Trenton, North Carolina. Foy contends that since the Jones County Economic Development Corporation is a Federal Government branch institution,

its endorsement of the H. W. Madison Company gives that private company an unfair advantage over other private concerns, and individual farmers like himself.

The Madison Company lists prices to be paid for number one grade cucumbers at \$7 per 100 pounds, number two grade \$3.50 per 100 pounds, and number three grade, \$1.50 per 100 pounds. Foy says that the company he represents, Lutz and Schram, have been paying fair market prices for the last five years.

The pickling cucumber enterprise last season brought a gross return of over \$23,000 to growers using the receiving station set up at Neuse-Trent Diversified Marketing Association's warehouse near New Bern.

According to F. Rogers Pollock, Associate Director of Jones County Economic Development Corporation, the Corporation expresses hope that many farmers in the area will take advantage of this cucumber raising opportunity by planting at least one acre this year. North Carolina is a nation-wide leader in the production of cucumbers.

Much-Arrested Teenager Put on Probation and Fined \$350 During Last Week Recorder's Court Term

Raeferd Brock, 17-year-old Route 3 Kinston youth was convicted of temporary larceny of an automobile and found guilty of driving without an operator's license in the Friday, January 26 term of Jones County Recorder's Court.

Brock, who was already facing a charge of stealing an automobile when apprehended on the second charge two weeks ago, drew a six-months suspended sentence from Judge Joe Becton for his theft efforts and was ordered to pay \$350 in fines and costs and was placed on probation for two years. Brock was found not guilty of a third charge, drunk driving.

Of eight other defendants to appear in court before Judge Becton, Lynell Mattocks of Star Route Maysville, charged with driving without a license was the only one to have his case not pressed.

Robert Louis West and Monroe Mundell Welborn, both of New Bern were found guilty of speeding 60 mph in a 50 mph zone and received prayers for judgment continued on payment of costs.

Elmer Gadson Boyette of Route 1 Trenton was found not guilty of failing to yield the right of way; Garfield Eugene Haddock of Route 2, Trenton was found not guilty of carrying a concealed weapon.

John Henry Wall, 28, of Knightdale and Woodley Oliver Bryant of Route 3 New Bern were both found guilty of driving under the influence. Wall was handed a 60-day suspended sentence and ordered to pay a \$50 fine and costs and was released on condition he not drive for one year except to and from his work. Bryant, who was found not guilty of driving without a license, was ordered to pay a \$100 fine and costs for his drunk driving but he appealed his case to Superior Court and bond was set at \$200.

Several defendants waived appearance before the Court and paid fines and costs as follows: Edward E. Bauknight, Camp Lejeune marine, \$16 for reckless

driving; Kenneth Gene Bird, Route 1, Pink Hill, \$16 for an expired driver's license; Pfc James August Bliss of Hillsboro, Florida, \$16 for failing to reduce speed to avoid an accident; Robert Cardell Johnson of Wilson, \$21 for speeding 50 mph in a 35 mph zone; Dora Winters Taylor, of New Bern \$26 for speeding 65 in a 55 zone.

Edward Earl Mattocks, Route 1, Maysville, \$13 for driving with an expired license; Henry Lee Simmons of Goldsboro, \$13 no inspection certificate; Carl Haskins of Route 4 New Bern \$119 for driving under the influence; Henry Turnage Mewborn of Snow Hill \$26 for speeding 70 in a 60 zone; Connie Delano Ormand, 23 of Bridgeton, \$13 for an expired license; and, Bryan Clinton Harper of Route 1, Swansboro, \$31 for speeding 75 in a 60 zone.

Willie Lee Brookshire of Camp Lejeune charged with driving under the influence and driving on the wrong side of the road failed to appear and forfeited bond.

Trenton Hardware Suffers Second Robbery in Month

The Trenton Hardware Store was broken into Sunday night, January 25, for the second time in less than a month.

A case containing 11 watches worth about \$220 was taken along with a flashlight and a rod and reel according to Fred Foscue, owner of the Trenton business.

Thieves entered the store a couple of weeks ago during the night by removing a plate glass window in the front of the building. Entry was gained in the same manner in the second robbery with the exceptions that the thief or thieves removed a different window but were not so careful this time since the four by three foot pane was broken into several pieces.

In the first robbery, inept thieves inadvertently took a filing cabinet containing all records of accounts receivable. The cabinet was later found in Trent River intact and with the files only slightly water-damaged.

Foscue, in speculating upon the likelihood that both thefts were committed by the same person or persons, said that he did not know but it was possible since there seemed to be a pattern of ineptness in the thieves' planning. In the first theft, a large filing cabinet with no money was taken and in the second theft, a watch case was broken into when the key to the case was lying directly underneath it.

ROUSE CELEBRATION

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Rouse of Route 1, Trenton, celebrated their 62nd birthdays together Sunday, January 21 at three o'clock in the afternoon. Mr. Rouse's birthday was the 20th and Mrs. Rouse's was the 23rd. The senior Rouses were given a surprise birthday party by their many children and grandchildren. Refreshments included cake, ice-cream, lime punch, and sandwiches.

children, Mrs. Mary S. Murrell, Mrs. Ester Coleman, A. R. Strayhorn and Ms. Jettie Carter of Raleigh.

Alcoholism Council Meets in New Bern

The annual joint meeting of the Council on Alcoholism and local Mental Health Association was held at the Berne Restaurant in New Bern, January 25.

Colonel C. B. Beaseley presided over the meeting which approved Jones County Clerk of Superior Court Walter Henderson and Reverend Curtis Patterson as prospective members.

Council and Association members appointed Henderson, a candidate for one of the four newly created Fourth Judicial District judgeships, to their Executive Committee while increasing that body's membership from seven to nine.

STRAYHORN ANNIVERSARY

Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Strayhorn of Pollocksville were entertained Saturday, January 13 at a party in honor of their 50th wedding anniversary in the dining hall of the Free Will Baptist Church in Pollocksville by their