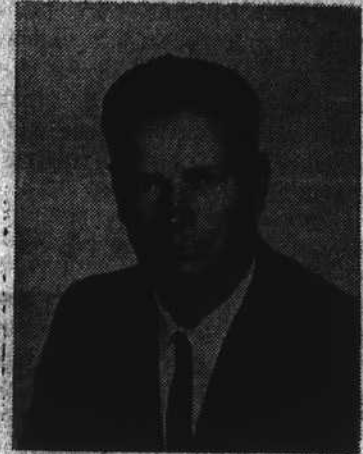


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Harold Hargett Files for Jones County Clerk of Courts



Harold B. Hargett, Jr., a native of Trenton, filed for Clerk of Court in Jones County during the past week.

A graduate of Princeton University, Hargett has been self-employed in the commercial egg business for the past fifteen years. Hargett served over three years of active service in the Marine Corps seeing active service in both World War Two and the Korean Conflict. Receiving the Purple Heart for wounds in the Korean Conflict, Hargett has served seventeen years in the Marine Corps Reserve reaching the rank of Captain.

Hargett is the son of Mildred Hargett and the late H. B. Hargett of Trenton. He is married to the former Dorothy Beidelmun of Lumber City, Georgia. They have five children ranging in age from freshman in college to second grade.

Hargett is a post member of the American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars and Loyal Order of Moose.

About running for office he

Pollocksville Man Promoted to Sgt.

David Strayhorn III, whose parents live in Pollocksville, was promoted to Army Sergeant Dec. 24 near Aschaffenburg, Germany, where he is serving with the 3rd Infantry Division.

Sgt. Strayhorn, a squad leader in Company B, 1st Battalion of the division's 7th Infantry, entered the Army in May, 1968, completed basic training at Ft. Bragg, and was stationed at Fort Polk, La., before arriving overseas in September 1968.

The 20-year-old soldier is a 1967 graduate of Jones High School in Trenton.

states: I feel that in the Democratic system it is the privilege and obligation of the voters to elect qualified and capable people to serve as public servants by the process of secret ballot. I also feel that I, as a college graduate and former officer in the military service of our country, can fulfill both these requirements and promise that if elected as Clerk of Court I will learn the duties of the office. I will serve each and every person in the county alike as their needs are brought to the clerk's office.

Land Transfers

The following land transfers were reported during the past week by Jones County Register of Deeds Bill Parker:

From Mike Dawson and Nonie Dawson, Bryant Dawson and Christine Dawson, and Randall O. Dawson to Lewis M. Shaw and Grace E. Shaw 25 acres in Chinquapin township.

From B. C. Collins and Dixie Collins to Earl B. Collins a tract of land in White Oak township.

From W. A. Mallard Jr. and Ann B. Mallard to Ralph W. Mallard Jr. and Caroline S. Mallard 1.94 acres in Trenton township.

From Annie J. King to Esley Quinn a tract of land in Cypress Creek township.

From Raymond King and Carolyn King to Mid-State Homes a tract of land in Pollocksville township.

From Robert H. Gilbert and Patricia L. Gilbert to George D. Hardesty and Naomi C. Hardesty a tract of land in Pollocksville township.

From Braz Neal Ferrell and Betty E. Ferrell to Leroy B. Ferrell and Betty Lou P. Ferrell a tract of land in White Oak township.

From F. C. Stillely and Sarah H. Stillely to Brenda S. Groves and Dallas Groves a tract of land in Chinquapin township.

From Clyde Monette and Dorothy Monette to Joe Butler Scott and Jeanie Carolyn Scott a tract of land in Pollocksville township.

From Robert L. Ward and Ella Marie Ward to Juanita James a tract of land in Pollocksville township.

From G.A.C. Trans-World Acceptance Corporation to Earl Scott and Elmita Scott a tract of land in Pollocksville township.

Jones Candidates

SHERIFF

W. Brown Yates*
Dan Killingsworth
Joe Monette
Osborne Coward

COURT CLERK

F. Rogers Pollock*
Harold B. Hargett Jr.

COMMISSIONER

Osborne Mallard
Charles Copeland
Hoyal Miller
Leslie D. Strayhorn
James Barbee*
Theodore Hicks
George B. Franks
Denford Eubank*
Delmas Brown
Horace B. Phillips*

SCHOOL BOARD

Kleber Bryant
Raeford Becton
Walter Ives*
Marvin Philyaw*
J. C. West Jr.*

CORONER

George W. Davenport

CONSTABLE

Maggie Small
S. A. Norris

SENATE

Charles Larkins Jr.*

HOUSE

Seat No. 1
Fitzhugh Wallace
Guy Elliott*
John Talbot Capps
Harold W. Hardison

Seat No. 2
Red Tingin
Dan Lilley*

* Denotes Incumbent

Bold denotes Republican

Stole Two Cars

Three young men from Greenville wound up in the Kinston jail Sunday night, charged with stealing one car in Greenville from Hazel Pierce, plus \$200 from her car's glove compartment and then after abandonment of her car near Harvey School, stealing the car of John William of LaGrange, who saw them in the act as he came out of the hospital. They were caught in South Kinston and the 20 \$20-bills of Miss Pierce were still in their pockets. They are James Reddick, Clennie James Hemby and George Taft.

Jones County Politics Breaks Loose Last Week; Candidates by The Covey

Short Court Term Shuck Few Nubbins

Last week's term of Jones County Superior Court cleared a few minor cases from the docket in an abbreviated session.

A worthless check charge against Bryan Hargett was nolle prossed with leave.

James William Collier was fined \$300 and costs in one drunken driving charge and had another nolle prossed.

Alvin Grant was fined \$250 for assault and ordered to make restitution to the person he assaulted and remain on probation for three years.

A murder charge against Myrtle Elizabeth Fell was nolle prossed.

Douglas Camel was fined \$100 for assault with a deadly weapon with intent to kill and ordered to make restitution to the person he assaulted and remain on probation two years.

Jury verdicts found Jay Horne and Ray Perry not guilty of larceny.

All the other cases set for trial were continued.

Census Official

Mrs. Kaye Koonce King of Trenton route 2 was named last week to be a census crew leader in Jones County for the official federal census that is to be taken this year. Mrs. Koonce will supervise the individuals who actually do the nose-counting in Jones County, and will recruit, train and assign areas to those who do the leg work in the county.

MARINE INJURED

Camp Lejeune Marine Gaetano Rousseau lost control of his motorcycle on US 258 south of Kinston Saturday night and suffered a broken leg and possible internal injuries when it hit an island at the intersection of the highway with the Deep Run Road. He was charged with reckless driving.

Jones Arrests

Two arrests were reported during the past week by Jones County Sheriff department. Arrested were: James C. Grady of Trenton charged with being publicly drunk and, Carl Bender of Pollocksville also charged with being publicly drunk.

After a very slow start Jones County candidates roared in like a covey of quail during the past week.

Where a week ago there were only two announced candidates for the Board of County Commissioners this week there are 10, and where there were no filees for the board of education this week there were five and although Harold Hargett Jr. had said earlier he would run for clerk of court he didn't make it official until this past week when he coughed up the filing fee. This gives incumbent Rogers Pollock something to do between now and the first week in May.

And although no Jones Countians were involved the list of legislative candidates that will be on the Jones County ballot increased from four to six.

In the past week five Negroes threw their hats in the commissioner race and two announced for seats on the school board. The commissioner candidates are Hoyal Miller, Leslie Dewey Strayhorn, Theodore Hicks, Charles Copeland and George B. Franks. The Negro school board candidates are Kleber Bryant and Raeford Becton.

Also during the past week three incumbent commissioners, James Barbee, Denford Eubank, and Horace Phillips filed for reelection and Delmas Brown added his name, making five white and five colored candidates for the five seats.

Former Commissioner Osborne Mallard, who was the first candidate to file, is the fifth white candidate.

So far there are only five candidates for nomination to the school board; the two Negroes and incumbents Walter Ives, Marvin Philyaw and J. C. West Jr.

Coroner George W. Davenport also paid his running fee in the past week and although their potential office will expire shortly after their election two candidates announced for township constable posts: Maggie Small in Trenton Township and S. A. Norris in Tuckahoe Township.

The filing deadline for all who would like to test the political waters is Noon, Friday, March 20.

CHARLIE DUNN IN TEXAS

Airman Charlie Dunn Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Dunn, Route 1, Trenton, has completed basic training at Lackland AFB, Tex. He has been assigned to Sheppard AFB, Tex., for training in the aircraft equipment maintenance field. Airman Dunn is a 1969 graduate of Jones High School.

WATERED-DOWN DIPLOMA REQUIREMENTS KICKOFF KINSTON'S TEE-TOTAL INTEGRATION

by Jack Rider

Grainger High School Principal Bill Peeden Monday night had the impossible chore of explaining how rumors were unfounded that curriculum standards of his school were being lowered, when the exact opposite is true.

Peeden began by declaring that 16 units would still be required for the Grainger High diploma and then he explained that those 16 units could consist of one unit of math, compared to the 3½ units at present, and that those 16 units could also include six units of electives, compared to a maximum of 3½ elective units at present.

Then for good measure, Peeden also confessed that such half-credit courses as band and drama would be upgraded under this system to full credit.

Finally he said that a single year of foreign language would be accepted for a full unit credit, while under the present system two years of a foreign language are required for any credit. Peeden did point out that no college or university now in business will accept one year of any foreign language.

Most difficult to explain was the new plan's abdication of controls over the student body, or at least the segment of the student body which Peeden described as potential trouble-makers.

All senior potential trouble-makers would be allowed on campus only during those hours necessary for them to take their required courses. This kind of study-release program may be copied from the work-release program now being pushed so hard by the North Carolina Prison Department.

Peeden further explained to concerned parents that those students who had seven full units would be assigned to Grainger High, or whatever it happens to be called under this reorganization plan, and all who fell below seven units would be assigned to Adkin High, or what-

ever it is called under the new checker-boarding system.

Peeden assured the 40 to 50 parents present that the school would still be accredited, but he didn't and, of course, couldn't say how long it would remain accredited with this bob-tailed diploma requirement.

Peeden also pointed out that new courses among the electives would include bricklaying (which would be taught on a commuting basis at Adkin High), geography, democracy in action (he did not say what category this course fits), black history, journalism and automobile mechanics.

The track system is being totally eliminated under this new

system but advanced classes are being retained in English, math and biology.

Peeden said students attending the split high school operation would have access to 74 courses; and he expressed the hopeful view that with such a wide selection that the students, freed of academic compulsion, would choose the rights subjects and not be content with getting by on the minimum lowered requisites that he had outlined.

No one mentioned "quality education" during the entire program. It is perhaps just as well, there is some superstition about talking of the dead so soon after their obituary has been released.