

Beaman Presides In District Court

Judge Grafton Beaman presided at the Wednesday session of the Perquimans County District Court and disposed of the following cases:

Lee Earnest Warren was taxed with cost of court when found guilty of assault. The defendant was told to remain on good behavior, and not to assault his wife for a period of one year;

Shirley Spencer was taxed with cost of court when found guilty of issuing a worthless check and received a 10 day sentence suspended for one year. The defendant was ordered to

make restitution for the check in the amount of \$41.75 to Jones Sales Company;

Aaron Everett was found guilty of simple assault and was given a twenty day sentence suspended for one year, a fine of \$25 and cost. The defendant was told to remain on good behavior, and not to violate any laws involving moral turpitude during the period of suspended sentence;

Nasa Farrow Jennette Jr., charged with failure to stop while blue light and siren were sounding, and speeding in excess of fifty

five m.p.h. in attempting to elude arrest, received a twelve months sentence suspended for four years, a fine of \$800 and cost. The defendant was ordered not to operate a motor vehicle in North Carolina until license are renewed, and not to violate any laws during the period of suspended sentence;

Royal Hamman Riggs, charged with driving under the influence of an intoxicating beverage, (second offense), received a ninety day sentence, suspended for three years, a fine of \$200 and cost. The defendant was taxed with cost of court for

an assault charge, and was told to remain on good behavior for one year;

Robert Stanley Wiggs was taxed with a fine of \$35 and cost for a reckless driving charge;

Michael Roger Hamill was taxed with a fine of \$10 and cost for a speeding charge;

Richard Lightfoot received a fine of \$35 and cost for a speeding violation;

Bennis Matthew Elliott was taxed with cost for havin improper equipment; Anna Elizabeth Winslow paid cost of court for failing to see that movement could

be made in safety; Carolyn Throckmorton was taxed with a fine of 15 and cost for a speeding violation; Keford Lyonel Byrum was found not guilty of a parking violation.

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SAWING IT UP — Hertford Lions Club members Tommy Harrell, Billy Williams and Ed Nixon journey into the

woods to cut trees for the firewood project being conducted by the local club.



CHOPPING IT UP — The next step is chopping the trees into convenient sizes for firewood. Pictured above completing

this phase are Lion members Sid Eley, local president Bill Tice, F.A. McGoogan and "Red" Elliott.



LOADING IT UP — And the finished product is loaded in pickup trucks to be delivered to fill orders at Perquimans

County households. Pictured above are C.C. Walters and J.T. Biggers. (Newbern photos)

Lions Club Continues Firewood Project

If walking through the woods one Saturday, chances are you will spot members of the Hertford Lions Club busy at work. Each Saturday the local Lions take time out from their usual duties to work on a Lions Club project.

Since October, members have been conducting a project to raise funds to pay for

the recently constructed Lions Club Building and to make donations to the White Cane Drive, a Lions Club project which benefits blind citizens.

The goal of the firewood project is to raise \$1,000 for these causes. To date, local Lions have raised between \$800 and \$900 as a result of the project. The extremely

cold winter has at least been beneficial to this effort, since local households are ordering the firewood and making the project a success.

According to J.T. Biggers, a past president, most of the wood being sold was donated from land belonging to three local Lions Club members, Jimmy Hunter, Ed Nixon, and Billy Williams.

The club is continuing to take orders for firewood.

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You don't have to retire completely to get social security checks. But if you expect to work while getting benefits, it's important to know how your earnings will affect your social security checks.

If you're under 72 and working and you expect your earnings to be more than \$3,000 in 1977, there should be some deduction from your checks. Inform your social security office as soon as you can if you believe that your earnings will go over \$3,000 for the year.

Remember, if your 1977 earnings are \$3,000 or less, no benefits will be withheld because of your work. And even if your earnings are well above \$3,000, you may still get some social security checks. The basic rule is that \$1 in benefits is withheld for each \$2 you earn above \$3,000.

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A pamphlet on Building Hobby Greenhouses tells how to choose the type, location, features, and design best suited to your needs. Order from Consumer Information Center, Pueblo, Colorado 81009. Refer to No. 201D (20 pp.) Price 35¢.

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The origin of "State of North Carolina" name was in honor of Charles I of England. Inhabitants are referred to as North Carolinians. State motto: Esse Quam Videri (To Be Rather Than to Seem). Flower: Dogwood. Bird: Cardinal. Tree: Pine. Song: "The Old North State." Nickname: Tar Heel State.

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The Employment Security Commission's Edenton Job Service office announced this week that Federal Supplemental Benefits are again available to eligible unemployed workers in North Carolina. Funded entirely by Federal monies, the Federal Supplemental Benefits provide an additional payment period to eligible workers who have exhausted their state unemployment benefits. For more information: Phone 482-2185.

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According to Donald Madre, president of the Perquimans County Farm Bureau, a uniform school opening date for all schools in North Carolina would deny the flexibility of openings needed in many counties.

Legislation has been introduced in the General Assembly which would establish an opening date

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for the beginning of the fall term on the day after Labor Day of each year.

Madre pointed out that high school students are a major source of farm employment, and in late crop years September could be the critical harvest season in many counties. He further said if such legislation is passed it would give to the state government decisions that have been traditionally left up to each

county board of education. These local units are obviously better qualified to make such local decisions in which many factors must be considered.

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The North Carolina-Virginia Peanut Trade Show which began Tuesday in Ahoskie at Farmers Warehouse will close today. Drawing for the \$2300 peanut digger-inverter door prize will be held at 5 p.m.

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