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## Goldsboro Newspaper Writes Feature Story On World's Largest Pepper Market Turkey

From Goldsboro News Argus  
The World's greatest pepper market without argument, is the town of Turkey, in Sampson County. Mrs. A. A. Wilkinson in the Durham Herald, Turkey is five miles from Warsaw and 14 miles from Faison. For 15 miles around there's hardly a farm without an extensive Summer crop of peppers, bell peppers, hot peppers, and the tiny bird's eye variety, all rivaling the output of Mexico.

Each day during the marketing season up to 15,000 baskets are sold in the auction markets of the little town which at best can count a population of only 250 persons. June and July find farmers and traders bringing great loads of peppers into Turkey, not only from the immediate area but also from Onslow, Jones and Duplin counties.

## Christmas Party And Initiation At Special Meeting Of Chap 215 O. E. S.

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## The Night After Xmas

By E. S. Callaghan  
'Twas the night after Christmas, and boy what a house I felt like the devil and so did the spouse. The eggnog and turkey and candy were swell, but ten minutes later they sure gave me a—  
The stockings weren't hung by the chimney with care; the darn things were draped on the back of a chair. The children were nestled all snug in their beds, but I had a "large cake of ice on my head."  
And when I finally dozed off in a nap, the ice woke me up when it fell in my lap.  
Then for some unknown reason I wanted a drink, so I started in feeling for my way to the sink. I got along fine until I stepped on the cat, I don't recall just what occurred after that.  
When I came to, the house was flooded with light, — Although I was under the table, I was as high as a kite.  
While visions of sugar plums danced in my head, I some how got up and then into bed.  
Then what to my wondering mind should appear, but a miniature sleigh and eight tiny reindeer. Then the sleigh seemed to change to a red fire truck and each tiny reindeer turned into a bleered eyed truck. I knew in a moment it must be Old Nick —  
I tried to cry out but my tongue was too thick; then the old devil whistled and shouted with glee, while the bucks pined the earth and looked daggers at me.  
Then he called them by name and the names made me shudder, — Now Egg-nog, Bacardi, Four Roses and Brandy, now Fruit Cake, Cold Turkey, Gin Rickey and Candy. To the top of his dome, to the top of his skull now whack away, crack away, with thumps that are dull. Then in a twinkling I felt on my roof the prancing and pawing of each cloven hoof.  
How long this went on I'm sure I can't say, tho' it seemed an eternity, plus a long day.  
But finally the night after Christmas had passed and I found I could think straight at last. So I thought of the New Year a few days away. I'm sticking to water, don't even want ice, for there's nothing as tasty or nothing as nice.  
The night after Christmas may bother some guys but I've learned my lesson, and brother I'm wise.  
You can have your rich victuals and liquor that's red but what goes to my stomach won't go to my head.  
So a Big Happy New Year to you all. I'm back on the water wagon and "hope" I don't fall.

## County Agent's Office

E. F. WEEKS

**Red Spiders On Strawberries**  
A recent survey revealed that red spiders are present in a large percentage of the strawberry fields. This insect is very difficult to control due to the difficulty of applying insecticide dust on the low lying strawberry leaves.  
The County Agents, Insecticide Dealers, and farmers from the southeastern North Carolina met with James Conner, Extension Entomologist, Dr. Deering, Director of the Coastal Plain Experiment Station, and Dr. Fulton, Station Entomologist, last Friday, at Willard, to discuss this problem. It was agreed that insecticides were available that would kill the red spiders if they could be applied so that they would reach the spiders on the under side of the leaves.  
Dr. Fulton stated that good results had been obtained by use of dinitro dust during cold weather, and dust sulphur is effective during warm weather. Dealers in Willard and Wallace have ordered a supply of the dinitro dust and sulphur dust for farmers to use against this pest. It was pointed out that it was important to adjust the dusting machine to apply only a small amount of dust and to spray them fast enough so that they would create a strong blast in order to drive the dust underneath the leaves.  
The red spider is not a new insect but has been with us a long time. They can be controlled if these dusts are applied so that they will come in contact with the spiders. Hybrid Corn  
Those farmers who plan to plant hybrid seed corn this spring should give careful consideration to the varieties selected. Some of the varieties are more resistant to weevil damage, have better shuck coverage at the tip of the ear, have stronger stalks and produce higher yields than others. These are the varieties which are recommended for Duplin County: White Variety, N. C. T20, N. C. 1111, Tenn. 10; Yellow Variety, N. C. 26, N. C. 27, N. C. T23, N. C. T11, Funks G714, and Woods S210.  
Other palmists come and go but "Madam Morris" stays on. She is the one you can depend on. Special personal readings during January.

## Henry Dale Writes Resume Seven Springs Growth In Recent Years



H. C. DALE

Secretary-Treasurer of the Seven Springs Supply Company, one of the oldest Farm Supply houses serving the Northern Section of Duplin County, Mr. Dale is a native son of Duplin County.

## Church Bulletin

The preaching schedule for the Duplin Methodist Circuit for Sunday, January 12, is as follows: Kenansville, 11 o'clock; Unity, 3 P. M.; Magnolia, 7 P. M. The pastor, Rev. John M. Cline will preach at each of these services.  
On Monday, January 13, at 7:30 P. M., the Kenansville Young People will be hosts to the Clinton Area, Sub-District of the Youth Fellowship. The meeting will begin with a service of worship held at the Methodist Church, followed by a period of recreation at the Lodge Building.

## Pink Hill Woman Dies

Funeral services for Mrs. Lillie Blizard Howard, 73, widow of Charlie Howard of the Pink Hill section, who died at 7:30 a. m. Friday of last week were held at 2 p. m. on Saturday from the late residence, Rev. W. K. Jordan, Free Will Baptist minister, officiated. Burial followed in the Howard cemetery. Mrs. Howard was a member of the Christian Chapel Free Will Baptist Church for about 50 years. Surviving are four daughters, Mrs. W. A. Howard, Mrs. Fannie Howard, and Mrs. Ralph Phillips, all of Pink Hill, and Bessie Howard of the home; three sons, Walter B. Howard, of Deep Run, and Percy and Herman Howard of Pink Hill; and several grandchildren.

## Board Of Health Designates 17 Referral Centers

Expanding its program to make psychological service available to every county in North Carolina, the State Board of Public Welfare has designated 17 referral centers to which surrounding counties may bring cases requiring psychological examinations each month to one of the two psychologists of the State Department of Public Welfare, Dr. Ellen Winston, Commissioner of Public Welfare, announced today. Dr. Ralph T. Hinton, Jr., and Marion Stanland, department psychologists, will be available at the centers for psychological examinations of adoption, juvenile court, school adjustment, and other types of children's cases as well as for potential eugenical sterilization cases.  
County Welfare Offices will serve as the point of contact between the psychologists and the officials bringing cases to the referral centers.  
Duplin County's referral Center is New Hanover County Welfare Department in Wilmington.

## Outlaw's Bridge A.U.W. Meets Sat.

The Outlaw's Bridge A.U.W. will meet Saturday, January 11, at the home of Mrs. W. W. Bostick, 401 S. Main St., Kenansville.

By H. C. DALE  
Past year's (1946) business was especially good for farmers and labor in my section due to high prices of products, especially tobacco, and the reasonable prices they paid for farm supplies.  
Labor has enjoyed this same period due to the increase in wages of from 3 to 500 pct., for all classes of labor since 1941.  
My retail business, which I think is representative of Eastern North Carolina, has not been so prosperous due to the increased cost of operation. Mine has increased over 100 percent since 1941. This is not a guess, it's an audit. However, sales have been better, much better each year. That is why we are still operating.  
Another year, I haven't talked to a single farmer who expects such high prices next year. However, they don't expect anything like 1932. That is my personal opinion.  
Labor on the other hand expects just as high or higher wages for 1947. This applies to all skilled and unskilled.  
Material progress in my community has been astounding especially for the past three years. I haven't actually counted them, but I am satisfied there are twice as many buildings on any road leaving here, any direction, as were three years ago.  
We have sold more paint and building material in any one of the three last years, as we did all the years from 1930 to 1941.  
In this little village of less than 200, would say about 170, the following has been done in improvement:  
Mr. Ed Ginn, who is a newcomer to our section, bought a large farm last year just across the river from here. This year, in our little village, he has built a sawmill, mill and equipment costing about \$15,000, employing 22 men, three dwellings at a cost of \$8,000; remodeled and enlarged two store buildings, cost \$4,000; and has installed a modern meat market and general supply store; another building to be used as an up-to-date woodworking shop, but at this time they haven't been able to buy the machinery; built garage operated by C. W. Weeks, Jr. (Mr. Ginn employs two in market and store) garage cost \$800.00.  
My company has remodeled one warehouse and we expect to build a modern livestock sales stable as soon as materials and labor can be secured, remodel our present sales stable and convert it to farm machinery sales space.  
E. T. Ferrill has remodeled and installed water system in his home. So has F. R. Jarman, and Mrs. D. C. Potter. Roger Dawson has built a residence, \$3,000. L. A. Dawson has remodeled a modern meat market and grocery.  
L. H. Head has remodeled and converted a part of his sales stables into a concrete block plant employing six men when in operation, built a mule pen, remodeled and enlarged store building. Sells all

kind of livestock, farm machinery, electrical equipment. Employs 3 men in this branch. Enlarged his feed mill, built one home, has part of material to build another store building 30 X 60. Expects to build three more homes next year.  
M. F. Phillips has built a new home, \$3,000. He is a newcomer of two years. Operates a store here and this year connected with one of the popular oil tobacco barn curers and was very successful representing them in the South East U. S. A.  
Mrs. Katie Herring remodeled and enlarged her home to a two family apartment. C. B. Dale remodeled and enlarged his home. Davis Price has part of material on ground to remodel his home. Marvin Stroud is remodeling his home now.

The Methodist people have spent about \$6,000 remodeling "The Church on the Hill". Not complete yet, and we expect to enlarge it as soon as materials are available. This is the oldest church site in this section, some say built about 125 years ago. The original building was burned by the Yankees. However, when it was rebuilt, a gallery was built in it for use of the Negroes as they had no church of their own in this community. The slave gallery was removed some 60-odd years ago.  
The colored Baptists are constructing a cement block building (church). The colored Holiness are constructing a tile brick church building.  
The road to "The church on the Hill" has been improved, clay, sand and cinders. We hope to pave it. The road from No. 55 north through town to No. 70 has been made ready for surfacing, which will be done next spring. The same for road from LaGrange, south, crossing Rockford Bridge two miles East of here, connecting with 111 at Holt's Store (via Liddell) in Duplin county.

## Home Dem. Notes

The Home Demonstration Program for 1947 has been planned around the theme Better Health for Rural People.  
In January the topic of the month is What is the Outlook for Farm and Home in 1947; February, Eat Your Way to Health; March, The Needs of Your Children; April, Better Health through Better Food Conservation; May, Is Your Water Supply Safe, Adequate, and Convenient; June Vitamin C in the Diet; July, the Selection and Buying of Furniture; August, Recreation; September, Using Sewing Machine Attachments; October, Save Your Eyes; November, Fashions For Work In The Home; and in December will end the year's program with each club having a Christmas Program.

## VA Officer Be In Wallace

Lawrence S. Everett, Veterans Certifying Officer of the Was Assets Administration from Wilmington will be in Wallace Thursday and Friday, January 16 and 17, and will be available to certify veterans of World War II for the purchase of surplus government property.  
Mr. Everett will be able to explain any questions the veterans might have concerning their priority rights and will give them the "what, where and how" of obtaining surplus items. Eligible veterans will be able to get their certifications on the spot and will not have to go to Raleigh or Wilmington as in the past. All that is needed is for the veteran to bring a photostatic or certified copy of his discharge or his terminal leave papers.  
This "mobile" certifying office will be set up in the City Hall and will be open for business between 9 and 4 each day. On Monday and Tuesday, January 13 and 14, Mr. Everett will be in the American Legion Hut in Lumberton and on Wednesday and Thursday, January 22, and 23, he will be in Room 321-2, in the Elks Building in New Bern.

## Blackmore In Hospital

Mr. Ron Blackmore, prominent business insurance agent, was in hospital at Kenansville, N. C., last week.

## Farm Survey In Duplin Scheduled For 1947; Turkey Man Designated

J. M. Hunter, of Rt. 1, Turkey, has been selected by the Statistics Division of the State Agriculture Department to conduct a farm survey in Duplin and Sampson counties this year, it was announced by Agriculture Commissioner W. Kerr Scott.  
The survey, designed to obtain information on farm accidents, employment, wages, expenses, and income, will begin on January 13, and continue well into February.  
Sponsored throughout the nation by the Bureau of Agricultural Economics, the survey, employing 15 special enumerators, will cover representative segments of 28 counties in North Carolina.

## Federal Gov't. Announce Exams.

Examination for probational appointment, leading to permanent position of Conservation Aid, \$1954 to \$2644, for duty with the Soil Conservation Service located in the States of: Conn., Delaware, Maine, Md., Mass., N. H., N. J., N. Y., N. C., Pa., R. I., Vermont, Va., W. Va., was announced today by the Executive Secretary, Board of U. S. Civil Service Examiners at the Department of Agriculture, Upper Darby, Pa.  
In addition to experience and training requirements all applicants must pass a written test. The age limits of 18 to 62 for this examination will be waived for veterans. Applicants must be citizens of or owe allegiance to the United States, or must be citizens of the Republic of the Philippines.  
Duties of these jobs include laying out simple contours; collecting soil samples; assembling information from field notes; applying soil conservation practices, such as terracing, contour cultivation, tree planting, woodland improving, farm drains, irrigation and land preparation; and supervising the work of assistants.  
Applications for this examination must be received by the Executive Secretary, Board of U. S. Civil Service Examiners, Department of Agriculture, Upper Darby, Pa., not later than January 23, 1947.  
Interested persons may obtain information and necessary application forms from the commission's Local Secretary, Mr. Fred J. Baars, located at Warsaw Post Office; from most first- and second-class post offices in the area for which the examination is announced; from the Directors of the First U. S. Civil Service Region, Boston 9, Mass., the Second Region at New York 14, N. Y., the Third Region at Philadelphia 6, Pa., and the Fourth Region at Winston-Salem 3, N. C. or from the Executive Secretary, Board of U. S. Civil Service Examiners, Department of Agriculture, Upper Darby, Pa.

## County Now Has Three Patrolmen

With the addition of Patrolman L. B. Lane, of Craven County, to the local troop, Duplin now has three State Highway Patrolmen stationed within its borders. Patrolman Lane and R. J. Porvost are located in Wallace and Patrolman J. A. McColman is stationed in Warsaw.  
When asked why two patrolmen were stationed in Wallace, Porvost replied that approximately 60 percent of the arrests in the county are made in Island Creek Township.

## Young School Boy Narrowly Escapes With His Life

Larry Lambert, young school boy of Bowden narrowly escaped with his life Wednesday morning when he was struck by an automobile and dragged about 15 feet down the highway.  
According to reports, a school bus was parked at the side of Parker's store in Bowden, the usual loading point, and a group of children across the highway started to cross over to get on J. A. Westbrook of Warsaw driving a bus at a low rate of speed just as the children dashed into the highway. Young Lambert was struck by the car, apparently hit by the fender. Westbrook rushed him to a Warsaw doctor where it was found he had received no injuries. The accident was termed unavoidable.

## Contracts Let School Buildings

Two contracts were let Monday by the Duplin County Board of Education for the erection of buildings at the Branch and Warsaw Negro schools. The Branch contract calls for a four room unit. Later eight more rooms and an auditorium will be added. Warsaw contracts call for a four room unit with plans to add 12 rooms and an auditorium later. The contract went to the Gillett Miller Company of Wilmington. Each bid was for \$14,300. Incidentally, Gillett is the son of Major Gillett who was the Army engineer for Southeastern Carolina for some time. He investigated snagging North East River.

## Hallsville Farmer Fractures Skull

Thurman Brown, 55 year old Hallsville farmer, suffered a fractured skull Wednesday afternoon when he was hit on the back of the head with a board. Brown's tractor was stuck in the mud in the field and the board was placed under the wheel. Brown was standing beside the tractor as the driver attempted to drive it out. The board flew out, striking Brown on the back of the head. He was unconscious at 7:45 that night. The Times has heard no report from him since.

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## Doctor Heath Locates Here

Dr. H. Heath of Kinston, opened offices here this week for the practice of medicine. His offices are located in the Gooding building, formerly occupied by Dr. Gooding.  
Dr. Heath is a graduate of the University of North Carolina. He took his medical degree from McGill University in Montreal, Canada. He also interned in Montreal. He spent two years in service in the Navy. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Heath of Kinston.  
Dr. Gooding has retired from practice.

## Uncle Sam Says

Benjamin Franklin's devotion to thrift is as well known to my niece and nephews as his love of liberty. The two go hand in hand because with wise savings you can give yourself the freedom to achieve your personal goals for yourself and family. We remember Franklin's advice that a penny saved is a penny earned. Were he alive today, he would recite this advice to all those who are saving to reach their goals. Franklin's words are as true today as they were when he first said them.

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