

New Rescue Squad Building In Wallace Set To Open

The Wallace Rescue Squad marked its move "from tin to masonry" Sunday in its new building.

The \$90,000 project has been paid for, officials said last Wednesday. The dedication ceremony featured a talk by U.S. Rep. Charles O. Whitley, D-N.C.

On Murray Street west of the town hall, the 70- by 50-foot one-story building includes a three-bay garage with space for six vehicles, office, kitchen, two bathrooms, meeting room and storage room. Of brick and masonry construction, it replaces a "temporary" World War II metal building behind the town hall. The old building could not house the squad's newer ambulances, which had to be left outside.

The squad opened a fund drive last fall. This was combined with funds on hand and \$6,000 appropriated by the town to acquire \$91,000 for the project. "One person started seeing something happening on the site, they began donating," the squad's treasurer, Becky Jones, said last week.

Bud Sikes of Dixie Builders agreed to begin construction last fall and go as far as the \$30,000 on hand at that time would permit. Contributions came in such amounts that construction proceeded with interruption. The squad has three ambulances, one of which is scheduled for replacement whenever Duplin County — which furnishes ambulances for the county's rescue squads — can obtain a new one. The squad's equipment also includes a crash truck, a board and a jeep equipped with a generator for emergency lighting.

All but three of the 23 members are certified emergency medical technicians, according to Dulan Murray, the captain. All members are volunteers.

"We need more qualified volunteers for day-time duty," Murray added.

Its basic territory extends from the Pender-Duplin county line near Harrells, about 12 miles west of Wallace, to about five miles east of town, along N.C. 41 at Hatch's Store, and from a mile north of Teachey to the Pender-Duplin county line south of Wallace.

Murray said the squad was organized in 1972 after stiffening state requirements

for ambulance attendants discouraged funeral homes from continuing such service. At that time Duplin County began buying ambulances for the new rescue squads. Two were assigned to Wallace, and one of those — with 84,000 on its odometer — is the vehicle scheduled for replacement.

The other original ambulance has been replaced. When the squad was organized, 20 hours' training was required for ambulance

attendant certification by the Red Cross, he said. "Now over 100 hours of training are required for EMT certification," he added.

Murray said most rescue squads face two severe problems. One is lack of public funding so volunteers do not have to spend time producing fishfries and barbecues or begging hat-in-hand. The other is the misuse of the squads by people who call for rides to the hospital or physicians' offices that could

be provided in ordinary vehicles by friends or relatives. Both strain the time of the unpaid volunteers, he added.

Duplin County buys ambulances for its squads and furnishes gasoline and maintenance for the vehicles. The squads must finance other vehicles and equipment.

The county also provides money each year for the squads. The Wallace squad will receive \$4,800 from the county this year.

Duplin Democrats Name Two

The Duplin County Democratic Party executive committee nominated two people for membership to the Duplin Board of Elections, appointed one person to the state senate election committee, and changed the date of the party's resolutions committee meeting last week.

The party nominated Douglas Judge of Kenansville, a current election board member, to "first position" on the county election board

and Marguerite Kenan of Teachey to "second position." The nominations go to the state election board for confirmation.

Judge is coordinator of night classes at James Sprunt Technical College. Ms. Kenan works for the Duplin County Social Services Department.

Ms. Kenan was opposed by Jeb Atkinson of Wallace. She defeated him by a vote of 82 1/2-38.

Susie Smith, present election board chairman, did not seek another term. Dearl Walker is the Republican

member. Robert Smith of Wallace, an insurance salesman, was appointed to the district senate election committee to succeed the late Windsor Johnson of Rose Hill. The party chairman, Melvin Williams, is the other member on the committee.

The party advanced the resolutions committee meeting from two hours prior to the county party convention at 7:30 p.m. April 28 in the county courthouse. The county convention will be held at 1 p.m. April 30 in the courthouse.

Legal Notice

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE
Having qualified as Executors of the estate of Audrey Alphin Cheek, deceased, late of Duplin County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to present them to the undersigned on or before August 24, 1983, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate please make immediate payment.

This the 24th day of February, 1983.

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Deaths And Funerals

CATHERINE J. GOODSON MOUNT OLIVE - Mrs. Catherine Jones Goodson, 80, died Saturday. Funeral, Tyndall Funeral Home chapel, Beulaville. Burial, Maplewood Cemetery.

Surviving: daughter, Mrs. Lucille Scott and Mrs. Azalee Honaker, both of Raleigh, Mrs. Arlene Talton of Mount Olive, Mrs. Violet Smith of Fuquay-Varina; sister, Mrs. Emma Kelly of Beulaville; six grandchildren; two great-grandchildren.

BERTIE L. HATCHER CHINQUAPIN - Bertie Lou Lanier Hatcher, 77, died Saturday. Funeral, Edgerton Funeral Home chapel, Beulaville. Burial, Tom Lanier Cemetery.

Surviving: daughter, Mrs. Rovena Stuart of Chinquapin; sons, Earl Hatcher of Kenansville, Edward Hatcher of Hampton, Va.; sister, Mrs. Bessie Bradham of Chinquapin; six grandchildren; a great-grandchild; two great-great-grandchildren.

ANNIE TAYLOR PINK HILL - Miss Annie Taylor, 79, retired teacher, died Thursday. Graveside service was Friday, Westview Cemetery. Surviving: brother, Robert S. Taylor of Wilson.

SALLIE S. MERRITT MOUNT OLIVE - Mrs. Sallie S. Merritt, 96, died Thursday. Funeral, Tyndall Funeral Home chapel, Beulaville. Burial, Maplewood Cemetery. Surviving: stepsons, Ralph Merritt and Robert Merritt, both of Mount Olive, James Merritt of Chesapeake, Va.; stepdaughter, Mrs. Mildred M. Carnegie of Albion; nine stepgrandchildren; 16 stepgreat-grandchildren.

MAJOR W. JONES KINSTON - Major W. Jones, 71, of Medford, Ore., formerly of Duplin County, died Friday. Funeral, Garner-Howard Funeral Home, Burial, Harper - Jones cemetery near Wooten's Crossroads, Duplin County.

Surviving: daughters, Joyce Meisner, Janice Lynn Johnson and Jeanette Chumley, all of Medford, Ore.; Jae Judy Kay Alpy of Camarillo, Calif.; brothers, Andrew Jones and James Jones, both of Albion; sisters, Mrs. Ernest Deaver and Mrs. E.K. Hill, both of Albion, Mrs. N.B. Evans of Kinston.

WILBERT D. KING HAMPSTEAD - Wilbert Doris King, 60, formerly of Wallace, died Tuesday. Funeral, Edgerton Funeral Home chapel, Wallace. Bu-

rial, Riverview Memorial Park.

Surviving: wife, Mrs. Elizabeth Futrell King; daughter, Mrs. Sarah Baker of Abilene, Texas; sons, J.B. King and Wilbert King Jr., both of Fayetteville, Gary King of the home; stepmother, Mrs. Alberta King of Rose Hill; sisters, Mrs. Eveyn Jenkins of Trenton, Mrs. Elizabeth Maready and Mrs. Juanita Maready, both of Chinquapin; brothers, Cecil King of Florence, S.C., J.C. King of Kinston, Robert Earl King of Raleigh, Gene Harold King of Lexington, Ky., Edward King of Rose Hill; two grandchildren.

MARGARET D. HERRING WALLACE - Margaret D. Herring, 96, died Saturday. Funeral, Adoram Baptist Church, Burial, church cemetery.

Surviving: daughter, Miss Evangeline Herring of the home; seven grandchildren; four great-grandchildren.

SAM L. SMITH HARRELLS - Sam Lennon Smith, 80, died Sunday. Funeral, Missionary Baptist Church, Burial, Smith family cemetery.

Surviving: brother, Lonnie A. Smith of Harrells; foster daughter, Mrs. Rossie Balkum of Rose Hill.

WARSAW UMW BAZAAR

The Warsaw United Methodist Women are planning their spring bazaar for March 26th in the Fireside Room beginning at 10 a.m. A hot dog lunch will be served from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., and a barbecue pork supper from 5 - 7 p.m.

Kenansville Police Report

Police Chief Tyson Bostie reported Kenansville police investigated 34 auto accidents in which eight persons were injured and the property damage was \$16,400. Patrolling officers issued 3 citations, six for drunk driving, there were 18 breaking and entering and larceny cases investigated, and 17 shoplifters were arrested. The department answered 108 calls and over-all arrested 25 persons.

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