

Pure Champions of America

RETURN FOUR ESCAPED PRISONERS TO CAMP

Reduction County Debt Service Makes Big Saving For Taxpayer

The summary of the uniform annual budget estimate for Duplin County, published elsewhere in today's paper, shows the estimate of tax rate on \$100 valuation for the years 1937-38 to be \$1.85, or only 20 cents higher on the \$100 valuation than a year ago. A reduction of .12 on the county debt service fund, from .76 last year to .64 this year. This reduction will mean a considerable saving to the county's taxpayers.

This slight increase over last year has been accounted for mostly in the Old Age Assistance fund, Aid to dependent children, and aid to the blind. The sum for these three items, totals, .13. These were items that local officials had nothing to do with, since the original law is a federal law passed in Washington, and comes down to the county government.

The remainder of the increase is covered in a county supplement, for current expense school fund, raised from .06 last year to .16 this year. Capital outlay school fund last year was .02. This year it has been increased to .06, an increase of .04, and debt service on school fund, increased from .31 last year to .36 this year.

The biggest saving to Duplin County taxpayers has been made by the commissioners and the county accountant in the County Debt Service Fund, .12 being saved to taxpayers on this one item alone. Last year it stood at .76. This year it has been reduced to .64.

Mrs. Boney at Montreat, Week Training School



Mrs. N. B. Boney left Tuesday for Montreat, N. C., to attend the Auxiliary Training School of the Presbyterian church there. Mrs. Boney is chairman of District No. 6, of the Wilmington Presbyterial Churches in Duplin, Sampson district. They are, Grove, at Kenansville; Warsaw, Grays Memorial, Clinton; Faison, Calypso, Mt. Olive, Bakers, Hallsville, and the Pink Hill group, which includes Smith's and Hebron in addition to Pink Hill.

Cut Way Thru Tin Roof at Prison Hospital Room

Four prisoners, who cut their way through the tin roof of the hospital room at the Duplin County Prison Camp near Kenansville Thursday morning, were back behind bars at the camp before sundown. A posse of 100 men, prison and county officials and Duplin County citizens with bloodhounds, tracked the prisoners. The entire maintenance department of the county highway system aided in the search for the men, also officials from the prison division in this section of the state.

The four prisoners, who had remained for the day on sick leave escaped from the camp around eleven o'clock, J. B. Bray, prison supervisor, who came to Kenansville Thursday afternoon from Raleigh to investigate the break, said that the four convicts reported sick early in the morning when the other prisoners went out to work on the roads and were sent to the infirmary, from which they escaped.

BLOODHOUNDS
TRAIL FUGITIVES
Bloodhounds from the Wilson camp led by "Black Joe" ace man-hunter of the Prison Department's canine pack, tracked the men.

The escaped prisoners were: Bennie Williams, sentenced in Eke County November 16, 1936, to five to eight years for larceny; Leemon Eckerson, sentenced in Forsyth July 9, 1934, to six to ten years for storebreaking, larceny and receiving; Bob Taylor, sentenced in Wake October 8, 1934 to five to seven years for highway robbery and Stanley Hodge, sentenced in Gaston in August, 1930 to 11 to 20 years for breaking and larceny.

Before 5 o'clock Thursday afternoon two of the prisoners, Bennie Williams and Stanley Hodge were captured in the outskirts of Magnolia, and taken back to the prison camp. Bennie Williams was wounded slightly in the hand with buckshot from a shot gun shell before being taken. The wound, Dr. G. V. Gooding, said was not serious.

CHANGE STRIPES FOR OVERALLS

When taken Williams and Hodge were wearing overalls. None of the men who escaped were in the A grade, or trusty class. They were all Class B and C prisoners, which consigned wear stripes. Prison officials thought they had picked up the overalls around the prison camp as the trusties wear overalls. Leemon Eckerson and Bob Taylor, were captured somewhat later than were Williams and Hodge, between Warsaw and Bowden.

It is thought that an ordinary can opener was used in cutting the roof. Outside the tin roof was a layer of asphalt, but once the tin had been cut through it was an easy matter for them to push up through the asphalt on the roof, and from the roof to the ground. Once on the ground they negotiated the prison camp fence, ground. Once on the ground they and on to the freedom they were seeking.

The prisoners gave up without a struggle and were returned to camp. Oscar Pitts, acting director of the division, said they probably would be given additional sentences. The men will not be flogged, he said.

Curing Haddock by Smoking
The curing of haddock by smoking originated about the middle of the eighteenth century at Flushing, England, the cured product being in the market as Flushing haddock. Later modified to suit the taste of the fish was smoked and after several years of curing the

Judge Hamilton To Preside Superior Court

Duplin County Superior court will convene on July 26th, with Judge Luther Hamilton, of Morehead City, in the chair. Judge Hamilton will act as an emergency judge in this court, taking the place of Judge E. H. Cranmer of Southport, who is ill and will be unable to preside.

Fifteen persons are now in the Duplin County jail, awaiting hearing in this term of court.

Three murder cases, and an arson case will be the chief ones to come before Judge Hamilton for hearing. The cases are: Willis Pearsall, Kenansville township negro, charged with the fatal shooting of James Jarman, colored; Rudolph Strickland, white, who is charged with murder in connection with a fatal auto accident in Wallace in which one young lady lost her life; and Jas. Fennell, David Huffman and Thurman Stallings, colored youths, who will be tried on murder and larceny charges growing out of an auto accident in which Macon Cavanaugh, Jr., young Rose Hill man lost his life near Wallace.

The list of jurors for this term of court, were printed in last week's issue of The Duplin Times.

A. J. Scott's Stock, Etc Now is For Sale

The stock and store fixtures, saw mill equipment and a Fordson tractor belonging to the late A. J. Scott, of Glisson township are for sale.

The stock of merchandise consists of groceries, drygoods, hardware and farm implements.

In the saw mill equipment there is an edger, planer and a 80 horse power steam engine.

Those wishing to submit bids should submit them to Vance B. Gavin, administrator, Kenansville, N. C. Anyone wishing any further information regarding the items for sale may secure it from Mr. Gavin.

Faison Auction Market Booms

Faison, July 8.—With lima beans bringing from \$2 to \$2.90 a box, the Faison Auction Market has been booming this week.

Pepper has been selling for a \$1 and a \$1.10 per box. Castor beans are 80 and 90 cents. Corn cobs are bringing from 40 to 50 cents.

4-H CLUBBERS AT WHITE LAKE CAMP A WEEK

Kenansville was all astir early Monday morning with 4-H clubbers getting an early start for the White Lake Camp. They will be joined at the lake by members from Columbus County to make a complete camp. They plan to return Saturday.

The Camp is being directed by Miss Janye Martin and G. E. Jones of the agriculture department of Duplin County. Mrs. Mattie Riggsby will have charge of the educational work. Adult leaders for the camp are: Miss Hester Swinson, Mrs. Eula Sanderson and Mrs. G. W. Lloyd.

The following members of the Duplin clubs attended: Faison: Alice Casey, Ruth Edgerton, Minerva Lathan, Meade Bell, Perry Lewis, Thelma Dixon and Joe Morton.

B. F. Grady Club, Lena Chestnut, Shirley Smith, E. K. Smith, Jr., Helen Parker, Arbutus Outlaw, Manley Smith, and Morris Grady.

Kenansville Club, Ruth Honeycutt, Robert Jones, James Earle Jones, Ellen Southerland, Helen Margaret McLendon, Edward Sykes.

Wallace Club, Margaret Williams, Gladys Salmon, and Evelyn Sheffield.

Warsaw Club, Peggy Whitaker, Hazel Lloyd, Stella Lloyd, Abigail Hales and Evelyn Hales.

Chinquapin Club, Minnie Quinn, Evelyn Castee, Libbie Futrel, and Helen Quinn.

Special guests of the camp are: John Miller, Jack Allen, Barbara Thomas and Billy Riggsby. John Miller will assist with the boys and Jack Allen will serve as camp bugler.

The group left at 7:30 Monday morning on a truck with a second truck following with provisions. There seemed to be an abundance of food which included plenty of fried and fresh vegetables. All were in good spirits and are looking forward to a grand outing.

Machine Trouble Delays Paper

After a splendid record of getting out on time for several weeks, that nemesis of all print shops, machine trouble,

Winning both the Kentucky Derby and the Preakness Cup at Pimlico, Md., Wyo Admiral, son of the famous Man o' War, has become the leading horse of the year, and his jockey, Charles Kurtsinger, the leading rider. The new champion has earned nearly \$50,000 for the owner, James D. Riddle.

Plan 18,000-Mile Yacht Voyage



Capt. Bailey Sawyer and Mrs. Sawyer shown sitting out their 89-foot two-masted schooner, Henrietta, for an 18,000-mile voyage to Melbourne, Australia. Mrs. Sawyer, who learned navigation on a previous trip, will serve as navigation officer. They plan to chart the bottom of the sea off Australia, especially the great barrier reef. They will be away for three years and will take with them a crew of eight, mostly scientists.

Teacher Allotments For '37-'38 Announced

The allotment for teachers in Duplin County elementary and high schools was received by O. F. Johnson, County Superintendent of schools, this week.

The allotment gives 175 teachers to the ten white schools in the county. Wallace, with eight teachers allowed for high school gets the largest allotment of high school teachers, while Beaulaville has the largest number of elementary school teachers, there being 22 teachers allotted to Beaulaville for the elementary grades. The Beaulaville high school gets only five high school teachers.

The complete allotment follows:

- Kenansville, high school, 4; elementary, 10.
- Warsaw, high school, 6; elementary, 12.
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- Beaulaville, high school, 5; elementary, 22.
- Chinquapin, high school, 4; elementary, 14.
- Wallace, high school, 8; elementary, 18.
- Rose Hill, high school, 5; elementary, 10.
- Magnolia, high school, 5; elementary, 8.

The allotment gives the county 22 high school teachers and 153 elementary school teachers.

The allotment for negro schools has not been completed.

Tonsil Clinic Beaulaville

Dr. James W. Bradley, Jr., of Beaulaville has organized a tonsil clinic to be held at Beaulaville in the near future. The cost to be \$15.00. Any information regarding the clinic should be sent to Dr. Bradley at Beaulaville.

O. U. A. M. to Special Guests

Members of the Kenansville O. U. A. M. will be the guests of the morning session of the 11th Annual Convention of the O. U. A. M. held at the Kenansville Hotel on July 11th.

Goodman, pastor of the Methodist church, will preside. The convention will close on July 12th. The ladies of the church will be invited to attend.