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Magnolia Saw Mill, Package Plant Totally Destroyed By Fire

The Carolina Manufacturing Company's plant in Magnolia was completely destroyed by fire Tuesday night about 10:30...

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS FOR SCHOOLS BEGINS FRIDAY

All schools in Duplin will close at noon Friday for the Christmas holidays and reopen on the morning of New Year's day.

Warsaw Man Killed; Hit-Run Auto Driver

Theodore E. Huffham instantly killed, when hit by moving vehicle in Bolton Friday; funeral services in Warsaw Monday.

PROMINENT ROCKY MT. SURGEON DIES

Dr. L. W. Kornegay founded Rocky Mount Sanatorium; Native of Mt. Olive; Related to Duplin Kornegays.

DR. LEMUEL WEYHER KORNEGAY, 53, PROMINENT ROCKY MOUNT SURGEON, DIED MONDAY NIGHT AFTER SUFFERING A HEART ATTACK WHILE ATTENDING A MOVING PICTURE SHOW.

Dr. Lemuel Weyher Kornegay, 53, prominent Rocky Mount surgeon, died Monday night after suffering a heart attack while attending a moving picture show.

DR. CORNELL L. WYATT NAMED VICE-PRESIDENT OF DISTRICT MED. SOCIETY

Jacksonville, Dec. 17.—Dr. O. L. Wyatt of Clinton was elected vice-president of the Third District Medical Society at the first meeting in two years Friday night.

BEULAVILLE SENIORS TO PRESENT "LENA RIVERS" AT PINK HILL

The Senior Class of the Beulaville High School will again present the play LENA RIVERS, but this time at the Pink Hill School Friday, December 23, at 8:00 p. m. Admission 15 and 30 cents.

Three Weeks Of Court In Jan.

Two weeks civil and one week criminal court slated; Judge R. Hunt Parker will preside; Jurors drawn.

Three weeks of superior court will be held in Kenansville during January. Judge R. Hunt Parker of Roanoke Rapids will preside at each session.

Wounded



Pfc. Freeman Edwards of Beulaville was wounded seriously in action in France on October 28, according to information received by his grandmother, Mrs. L. T. Thigpen, from the War Department.

ABOVE CEILING

A story going the rounds in Kenansville this week is to the effect that a Duplin bootlegger not only paid above ceiling prices for sugar but was even jipped out of the sugar.

According to reports here, not verified, a stranger approached a bootlegger of the "Nine Mile" section of this county a few nights ago and inquired if he would like to have some sugar. The blind tiger jumped at the chance. The sugar distributor told him, "this is very dangerous business, you know, and I must charge above ceiling price."

TEN TURKEYS STOLEN FROM FAISON FARM

Some unlucky persons may have to do without turkeys at Christmas if any more are stolen from Herman Taylor of Faison. Ten gobblers weighing 25 to 30 pounds each were stolen from his farm while he was away Thursday afternoon of last week.

DUPLIN TRADING CO. PLANS EXPANSION PROGRAM IN WARSAW

Warren A. Smith, manager, says new store room to be occupied and new warehouse constructed; new line of merchandise to be added.

Warren A. Smith, Secretary-Treasurer and manager of the DUPLIN TRADING COMPANY in Warsaw, announced this week that at a recent meeting of the board of directors of the company it was decided to expand the business considerably. Business during 1944 was very satisfactory and the directors felt that there was a need for enlarging the business to take care of more customers and to offer more merchandise to residents of Warsaw and its trading area.

The store, now on the corner of Hill and Railroad Sts. will remain at the same location. The store building immediately adjoining will be taken over, remodeled and enlarged. A passage way between the new store and the present building will be opened. The new department will house furniture and a complete line of electrical appliances. The Warsaw store will then conform to all other stores of the chain.

At the rear of the store building will be constructed a large two-story warehouse with an opening on Hill St.

The directors met in Clinton on December 15th and commended the management of the Warsaw store and issued a nice bonus to the manager, Mr. Smith.

Mr. Smith stated that he anticipated a hundred percent increase in the business during 1945. Duplin Trading Company is the largest farmers supply store in Duplin County.

COMPLETES COURSE



Avic JOHN W. FONVIEVILLE

Avic John W. Fonvieuille, of Warsaw recently graduated after completing the course in Primary Training at Curtis Field, Texas, and has been sent to Waco Army Air Field for basic training.

COTTON GINNING REPORT

Census report shows that 4982 bales of cotton were ginned in Duplin County from the crop of 1944 prior to December 1, as compared with 4681 bales for the crop of 1943.

Missing in Action



Pfc. Leon J. Mobley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Mobley of Beulaville, Route 1, has been reported missing in action since Nov. 18 in Germany. He was recently wounded in action but had returned to duty. He has been overseas since last June.

SELBY KORNEGAY GETS GLIDER WINGS

Selby D. Kornegay, son of Mr. and Mrs. Zollie Kornegay, of Mt. Olive has received his wings as a flight pilot and appointment as flight officer at the "Home of the Winged Commandos" at Lubbock, Tex.

These "Winged Commandos" have completed their course of training in Uncle Sam's giant cargo and troop carrying gliders at South Plains Army Air Field, which trained hundreds of glider pilots who landed troops in France to help spearhead the invasion. Fio Kornegay attended B. F. Grady High School and N. C. State College.

Xmas Excitement Gets Off To Early Start In Duplin; One Murder

Joe T. Bright of Faison, colored, killed; Mrs. Cole suffers broken back at Muddy Creek; Ezzell McKiver (col) seriously cut in Smith township.

Christmas merriment, in spite of the War, got off to a good start last week in Duplin when one murder was committed; one woman's back broken and one man seriously cut at a party.

Joe T. Bright (colored) of Faison was instantly killed when Raymond Jenkins, also colored, shot him through the eye with a pistol as he (Jenkins) lay on his bed in a gambling joint in Faison on Dec. 10. According to officers, Jenkins and Bright were operating a gambling joint and had an argument as to the splitting of each pot of poker after a game. Jenkins was reported to have gone to bed when Bright threatened to cut his throat. Jenkins had been asleep. As Bright made his threat, according to officers, Jenkins grabbed his pistol, and without getting up, shot Bright in the eye. Bright fell across Jenkins, dead. Jenkins is being held in jail here without bond.

WOMAN INJURED

A Mrs. Cole suffered a broken back and a small child suffered minor injuries last Saturday at Muddy Creek as the car in which they were riding, driven by William Lanier, crashed into a mule and cart driven by Willie Raynor. Four persons occupied the car. None were injured except the woman and child. Raynor was not injured in the cart but the cart was totally destroyed and the mule injured.

FIRST PARTY

Ezzell McKiver, (colored) was seriously cut about the neck and shoulders last Saturday night when Will Brown (colored) attacked him with a knife. He was rushed to a Kingston hospital but was released this week. The affray occurred at the home of Brown, whose wife said it was the first party ever held in their home, and added "the last." Brown is out under bond.

WARSAW MARINES AT QUANTICO

Pfc. Henry L. Stevens, 111, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Stevens, Jr., who has been stationed at Camp Lejeune, passed through Warsaw Wednesday morning on a troop train enroute to Quantico, Va., where he is now taking his officer's training.

Pfc. Rivers Johnson, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Johnson, has been at Quantico, for several weeks.

PUT MOWING MACHINES IN GOOD CONDITION

There is probably no piece of farm equipment that suffers more from poor adjustment and lack of care than the mowing machine; and winter months are ideal for putting the machine in good condition.

Most cutting troubles of the mower can be traced to the cutting bar. This bar is a vital part of a mower and consists of a series of shears whose blades must be kept sharp for best results. The two parts forming the shears are known as knife sections and ledger plates, and they must be properly adjusted along their entire length of the cutter bar. The knife holder must keep the sections down against the ledger plates without binding and without too much clearance. In repairing a mower it is necessary to remove all the broken or badly worn sections by shearing them off. This is easily done over an anvil by cutting the rivets. Guards that are badly worn or have broken ledger plates should be replaced. Badly worn shearing plates or knife holders can also be replaced, and it is important that all guards fit snugly against the cutter bar. The mower will enjoy longer life if properly lubricated. The gear case should be thoroughly cleaned once a year and flushed with kerosene, before putting in a high grade lubricant.

TWO FROM DUPLIN REPORTED WOUNDED

A War Department release on Dec. 16th listed two soldiers from this county among those wounded in action.

Pfc. Lemuel J. Smith, son of Ed Smith of Rt. 2, Pink Hill was wounded in the European area.

S1Sgt. Ervin T. Bell, son of James A. Bell of Warsaw, received wounds while in action in the Central Pacific area.

Missing in Action



Pvt. James A. Rackley has been missing in action in Northern Italy since October 28, according to information received by his wife, Mrs. Bertha Croom Rackley of Wallace, from the War Department. He entered the Army in December, 1941, and was sent overseas last June.

TWO-YEAR OLD FALLS INTO HOT POT LIQUOR

A huge boiler of collards had been prepared at the home of Robert Smith, Rt. 1, Mt. Olive last Thursday.

The hot liquor left after the collards were taken out sat on the floor. Robert Earl, aged two, toddled into the room, bumped into the pot, spilling the hot liquid, sat down in it, burning the skin from his hips and legs to mid-thighs.

DANCE AT B. F. GRADY SCHOOL FRIDAY NIGHT DECEMBER 29

There's going to be a Square Dance at the B. F. Grady School Gym. Friday night, Dec. 29th. Proceeds to go to the Building Fund to build additional classrooms.

Music for the dance will be furnished by Paul Byrd and His Radio Pals. Admission: \$1.50 per couple; \$1.00 for Stags; .75 for ladies unescorted.

TRIPLE A OFFICES CLOSE FOR XMAS

Triple A offices and other offices in the Agricultural building will be closed Dec. 22, 23, 25, and 26 for the Christmas holidays.

BOWDEN NEGRO IS INJURED BY HIT-RUN DRIVER

Charlie Faison struck; right leg broken; says he did not know who driver was.

Charlie Faison, Bowden Negro, was struck, according to officers, by a hit-and-run driver last Saturday night about a half-mile from Warsaw. He was nearly frozen when Policeman Thomas Rogers of Warsaw reached him. His right leg was broken and his right side injured. He was rushed to the Goldsboro hospital. Rogers found him about 7:45. Faison told him he had been lying there about an hour and a half.

"Claire Voyant" By Jack Spaulding PM Syndicate

YOU DON'T HAVE TO BE CLAIRVOYANT TO SEE THIS WAR ISN'T OVER. YOUR SIXTH SENSE WILL TELL YOU TO SUPPORT THE SIXTH WAR LOAN.



Tobacco Prices Set For 1945

Raleigh. — Weighted average purchase prices of not more than 39 cents a pound for unfired flue-cured tobacco and 43 1-2 cents a pound for tied flue-cured tobacco will be set for the 1945 crop sold by growers on the loose leaf market, the Raleigh District Office of Price Administration announced.

These are the same prices which were used for the 1944 crop of these tobaccos, OPA said. They are announced in advance, in conformance with the congressional requirement on notification to growers. By weighted average price is meant the result obtained by dividing the total outlay of money a buyer pays for each kind of tobacco by the number of pounds of the respective types he buys during the season.

Buyers of tobacco may pay individual growers more or less a pound than the weighted average purchase price for these types of tobaccos cannot exceed the figures announced by OPA.

Unfired flue-cured tobacco, grown principally in Georgia and Florida is known to the trade as type 14. There are four types of tied flue-cured tobacco -- type 11-A or "old belt" grown in Virginia and North Carolina, type 11-B or "middle belt" also grown in Virginia and North Carolina, type 12, produced in Eastern North Carolina, and type 13 or "border belt," produced in South Carolina and Southwestern North Carolina. Most of these tobaccos are used in the manufacture of cigarettes.

War's End Necessitates Housewives Cooperation

The fact that victory in Europe might not be as close as generally believed a month or so ago increases, rather than lessens, the importance of the current Groceries Consumer Anti-Inflation Campaign, Theodore S. Johnson said today.

Efficiency of grocer-consumer cooperation now in Eastern North Carolina in keeping food prices down will be the foundation upon which the postwar fight against inflation is built," he said. At this time 6,597 out of 7,339 stores in Eastern North Carolina have plans to take part in the campaign.

As a part of the present campaign, grocers have joined with OPA in urging housewives to check closely OPA community ceiling prices posted in all stores and markets, when buying. Failure to observe ceiling prices from now on could not only cost Americans millions of wasted food dollars, but could easily set off the spiral of inflation.

WARSAW SOLDIER NOW IN ASHEVILLE AFTER 57 MONTHS OVERSEAS

T1Sgt. Oliver J. McCullen of Warsaw, Rt. 1, is now at Asheville, Army Ground and Service Forces Redistribution Station awaiting reassignment to duty. T1Sgt. McCullen has just returned from 57 months service in the Pacific Theatre.

WARSAW SOLDIER MEMBER OF FAMED 2nd BOMBER GROUP IN ITALY

15th AAF in Italy — The Second Bombardment Group, a B-17 Flying Fortress unit which traces its origin to World War I as the oldest heavy bomber group has flown its 300th mission in the Mediterranean Theatre.

This Group was organized in September, 1918, at Moulon, France and its giant Flying Fortress are a far cry from the old French Breguet day bombers flown by its original members. T1Sgt. James F. Miller, 20, aerial engineer-gunner, of Warsaw, is a member of this squadron.

GET SOYBEAN SEED FOR 1945-PLANTING

Farmers who plan to plant soybeans in 1945 will do well to get their seed now, if they do not already have them on hand.

Late planted soybeans last year were severely damaged by insects and many fields were not harvested because they were almost a total loss.

As to the scarcity of soybean seed, prices of these seeds have advanced recently and is at a higher level than usual.

Advertisement for Duplin Times featuring a bell illustration and text: "When the bells ring joyfully this Christmas filling all our hearts with the prevailing good spirit and the friendliness of the Yuletide Season, let us fervently pray that these same bells will soon ring out the glad tidings that TOTAL VICTORY IS OURS. THE DUPLIN TIMES"