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## Duplin Mercantile Company Is Successor To C. E. Quinn

After 31 Years In Business here Quinn Sells Out; Allen, Quinn, and Ingram are new Owners of Kenansville's Largest business; Plan expansion.

Thirty one years ago a young Duplin County energetic merchant came to Kenansville. Associated with his brother-in-law, Lloyd Ferrell, Clarence E. Quinn opened a small grocery business in the Grimes Building under the firm name of Quinn & Ferrell. A year later Quinn purchased Ferrell's interest and continued as C. E. Quinn, General Merchandise. In 1918, Mr. Quinn moved his business to the old Cooper store. In 1926, he purchased the Elbert Southerland garage building and remodeled it into a store and moved into the new location in May, 1927, where he has been located since. Mr. Quinn has made several additions to the business and in the past few years has built two adjoining brick buildings, now occupied by the Wacamaw Bank and the Kenansville Production Credit Association.

On January 3rd, 1946, Mr. Quinn sold his stock of Merchandise to M. F. Allen, Jr., L. H. Quinn and Paul Ingram.

The new proprietors took over the business as of that date and changed the name to the Duplin Mercantile Company. They will continue to operate a general mercantile business as did Mr. Quinn but expect to make a substantial expansion as soon as materials and supplies are available.

Mr. Allen came to Kenansville as cashier of the Wacamaw Bank when it opened here August 26, 1940. A young and enterprising man he soon put the bank on a paying basis and later opened the M. F. Allen Insurance Agency, which is Kenansville's only insurance agency.

Mr. L. H. Quinn is one of Kenansville's most successful farmers. He lives in the Sarecta neighborhood and operates farms there and around Warsaw.

Mr. Ingram is a farmer and former traveling salesman. Before entering the Duplin Mercantile Company he traveled throughout Duplin County selling merchandise. The trio are well qualified to operate a business like the one they are attempting. The new venture is an asset to our county seat town.

C. E. Quinn, though out of the mercantile business, is continuing to manage his several farms and will sell fertilizers and feeds. And, we suspect, continue in politics. He was first elected to the Legislature in 1936 and has continued to be our representative since. He has served in five regular terms and two special terms. The writer asked him if he would be a candidate this year and he replied with a grin. Our guess is yes.

The new firm will continue to carry the general line of merchandise Mr. Quinn carried including dry goods, notions, general line of hardware, heavy and fancy groceries, fertilizers, hay, feeds and seeds. As luckily as stock is available they will add a line of farm machinery, radios, refrigerators and electrical appliances of all kinds.

## POLIO CAMPAIGN CHAIRMEN NAMED

County campaign directors for North Carolina in the 1946 drive against infantile paralysis were announced by state headquarters in Chapel Hill by Dr. Ralph McDonald, who is state chairman for the fourth successive year.

Directors in Duplin County are H. F. Lee, of Warsaw, and Clacy Caudell, of Wallace.

Last year North Carolina set an all-time high when it raised \$517,211, as compared with \$169,529 the previous year. This year's quota is \$354,750.

## MAJOR WELLS



**MAJOR ROBERT C. WELLS**, son of Clerk of Court, R. V. Wells, and prominent Kenansville attorney received his terminal leave (discharge actually) from the U. S. Ground Air Forces Sunday, January 13th in Washington City.

At the same time Wells was promoted to Major. He had held the rank of Captain for some time.

A few days before Christmas he arrived home from Calcutta, India, where he had been stationed since early in 1945.

Major Wells enlisted in the Services in the spring of 1942.

## STUDENTS MAY ENTER NAVY'S V-5 PROGRAM

Candidates between 18-23 and who will successfully complete two full academic years at an accredited college by March 1, 1946, may now enter directly into the Navy's V-5 Flight Training Program.

Qualified applicants will be enlisted as Aviation Cadets, Class V-5 USNR, and ordered to active duty at a Navy Pre-flight school for entry into Navy Pilot training.

Interested applicants may contact the Office of Naval Officer Procurement (Naval Aviation Cadet Selection Board) 1320 G. St., N. W., Washington 25, D. C., for further details regarding this excellent opportunity.

## WARSAW BOYS DISCHARGED FROM SERVICE

TJ5 William J. "Bill" Miller, son of Mr. and Mrs. Matt Miller, of Warsaw, returned last week to his home after receiving his honorable discharge at Ft. Bragg. Miller was in service 30 months and was overseas in the European Theatre with the 7th Army 18 months.

Sgt. Kenneth Brock, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Brock arrived home Saturday night from Ft. Bragg where he received his honorable discharge from the AAF after serving over 3 years, 26 months of which were spent in the European Theatre where he was on Air Force.

Pfc. Fred Gaylor, USMC, arrived in San Francisco Sunday and immediately contacted his parents Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gaylor in Warsaw. Gaylor has been in the Marine Corps three years, two of which he has spent in the Pacific. He expects to be home in a week or so and to be discharged shortly.

Cpl. Momon Barr arrived in Warsaw Saturday from Ft. Bragg from where he expects his discharge this week. He has been in service 2 years, one of which was spent in Europe, later being transferred to Okinawa and Japan.

Jack Boney, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Boney received his discharge recently from the Navy. He served several years in the Pacific. At present he is affiliated with H. M. Cooper Garage.

Hunter Carlton, USN, son of Mrs. H. H. Carlton, is a patient at the Naval hospital in Charleston, S. C. His brother, Ward Carlton, USN, is now home on leave after overseas service.

## Victory Clothing Collection In Warsaw Gets Under Way

The citizens of Warsaw are all set to meet their share of the challenge to collect one hundred million garments during January in the United States, for the relief of Europe, the Philippines, China, and the Far East.

The Warsaw Rotary Club is sponsoring the Victory Clothing collection under the leadership of Rev. C. Van Stephens, Hopton Smith, and Jimmy Kitchin.

Every family is urged to share all the clothing that they can spare, that the millions of war sufferers may have something to wear.

**Here is How You Can Help: Get together all the clothing, shoes, and bedding, that you can spare.**

**Bring it to the Warsaw Town Hall today, if it is impossible for you to deliver your clothing, call write, or contact any member of the committee.**

You are invited to enclose a message of good will with your clothing gift if you desire. Attach the message securely with a safety pin, sew it on, or put it in a pocket.

Mr. J. P. Harmon, superintendent of Warsaw Schools is requesting all the students to bring in garments and shoes to the school buildings.

Let us all remember these are millions of people from babyhood to old age living in the war torn lands - that desperately need your help, let's not forget them.

## 4-H COUNTY COUNCIL ELECT NEW OFFICERS

On Friday night, Jan. 11, the Duplin County 4-H Club Council consisting of the Officers from 14 clubs in the county met in the Agricultural Building in Kenansville at 7 p. m. The following Officers for the coming year were elected: President, Mittie Ruth Wallace, B. F. Grady Club; Vice President, Max Sykes, Wallace Club; Secretary, Hugh Carlton, Warsaw Club; Reporter, Janet Boney, Kenansville Club.

After the election of Officers the Council Members discussed county wide 4-H Council activities which include Spring Beef Calf Shows, Summer Encampment, Summer Short Course and other such activities that the clubs of Duplin County plan to participate in during the year.

Following the business session the club enjoyed a period of recreation. The program was under the supervision of Miss Virginia English, Assistant Home Agent, and Mr. Edwin Wright, Assistant County Agent.

## Army Officer Fatally Injured Wreck At Bowden

Capt. Lowell N. Douglas, enroute from Wilmington to Washington City, was fatally injured Saturday afternoon near Bowden when a truck, driven by J. C. Norris of Chinquapin, skidded into the car in which he was riding. The officer was rushed to the Seymour Johnson Field hospital in Goldsboro where he died shortly afterwards from internal injuries.

Also injured in the wreck were three other occupants of the car. John Hamilton, two-year-old child is reported in a Wilmington hospital, suffering from a punctured bladder. Miss Luella Beirne of Columbus, Ind., suffered minor lacerations and a broken nose.

Mrs. D. T. Hamilton, mother of young John, received minor bruises and scratches.

Norris was released under a thousand dollar bond pending further developments.



The children of Dr. Craven J. and Mary Quinn Grady of Albertson Township met at the home of the youngest child, Ada, recently. This was the first time in forty years that all have been together at one time. There were nine children born and nine are living today. They are, left to right, Mrs. Sam Herring, age 49, Seven

Springs, Egbert W. Grady, 52, Seven Springs, Rosco Flanus Grady, 54, Washington, D. C., Leonard G. Grady, 57, Seven Springs, Minnie Grady Allen, 60, Seven Springs, Barney D. Grady, 62, Warsaw, Dora Grady Waters, 64, Seven Springs, Ira J. Grady, 67, Kinston, and Albert O. Grady, 69, Warsaw.

## 13 Year Old Beulaville Child Dies From Wreck

Cecil Jones Sandlin Funeral Held Monday; Father and Hubert Brown getting along nicely; Morris Grady driver of other Car.

Cecil Jones, 13 year-old-son of Mr. and Mrs. Preston Sandlin of Beulaville, was fatally injured in an automobile accident in Beulaville Saturday afternoon when the car in which he was riding collided with a car driven by Morris Grady of the Hallsville section. Grady is a recently returned veteran.

Young Sandlin was rushed to a Kinston hospital immediately after the wreck and died early Sunday. Funeral services were held Monday afternoon at 3:30 with the Rev. Ernest Gresham conducting. Interment was in the family cemetery. He is survived by his parents and one sister.

Grady was released under a two thousand dollar bond.

Hubert Brown, also an occupant of the car and Preston Sandlin, driver, are reported to be getting along well. Sandlin was only slightly injured.

## Calypso Seaman On USS Canberra

On the USS Canberra. — James Leonard Batson, fire controlman, 1/c, USN, of Calypso, served in the Pacific on this heavy cruiser. After nearly pleyen months on the other side of the continent, the Canberra has again joined the Pacific Fleet, for duty.

## Faison Seaman Coming Home

Waverly Frison, S 1/c, of Faison is getting ready to rejoin the ranks of civilians. He is now at the Naval Staging Center, Pearl Harbor, awaiting passage home.

## Beulaville Soldier Re-enlists In Army

Pfc. John C. Blizzard, son of Mrs. Addie Blizzard, of Rt. 1, Beulaville, has enlisted in the Regular Army for 18 months, while serving with the 242nd Infantry Regiment, 42nd "Rainbow" Division, Bruck, Austria, effective November 11, 1945.

His organization is a unit of General Mark W. Clark's United States Forces in Austria.

## NEW TOBACCO RECORD SET

The State Agricultural Department reports that total production of tobacco in 1945 was 2,042,000, 000 pounds, a new high record.

## 5 Months Old Child Found Dead In Bed

FROM SORATA

— By Jake —

January 7th was the day that the Victory drive began. It is hoped that every one will make a thorough search in his home for shoes, bedding, and clothes. The people in the devastated countries of Europe are in desperate need. In so many instances innocent children are suffering - thousands of them homeless - without enough food and, along with that, they are cold - no fuel to make a fire and not enough clothes to wear. The war has not come to us with that kind of horror. Very few people among us ever have been actually hungry and without sufficient clothes to keep warm. Yes, too, we have not been able to buy all the clothes we wanted and the prices are high for those that can be bought. At the same time most of us can still spare something and not suffer. Our people have prospered in many ways

while others have lost all they had. It certainly approaches the ideal of brotherly love and Christian responsibility when we can look beyond our selfish desires, our ease and comfort, and divide that which we have with those less fortunate than we. Few of us will miss a few articles of clothing that may mean life to some other member of human society.

Is it not true that proper stewardship of what we possess is our special responsibility? Then the fact that we are able to share and that we do possess much makes it our responsibility to share. Even though we are called upon we still can give and help others in their struggle for existence. What greater satisfaction can one have than that of having been the means of contributing to suffering humanity whether it be at home or abroad. Do not wait for some volunteer worker to plod you into getting your gift of clothing ready, but rather may we all become volunteer workers in Duplin and give more than our share.

Have you observed that some time during January, usually, we have a "warm spell". Certainly it is often welcome because much outside work can be done and we feel the need for relief from the chill of December. It is well to remember though that Winter just began its reign a few weeks ago and Spring is still a long way off. Uncle Dick says. When you go

off for the day anytime between October 15th and April 1st it is a good idea to take an overcoat. You never can tell what change the weather is going to make in any twelve-hour period during the Fall and Winter.

Driving through Duplin a few days ago it was observed that a number of new buildings are going up. We counted 15 in not too great a distance traveled. Included in that number of course were service stations, and barns as well as homes. It will be a relief to those who can to build needed structures as soon as possible.

Duplin County is like the rest of the country in that it needs many new homes built. New homes are needed on our farms and in our towns. Many service men who have returned to Duplin wish to settle down on their own farm or in one of our towns and begin a new civilian life. Certainly the present situation in the building industry is one caused by the war and affects many people - those who are builders professionally

and those who need to have buildings put up. One may be fortunate if he can wait until a more favorable condition develops in the building industry before he begins a new home. Better materials, more readily available, and a more reasonable cost in materials as well as labor should develop before one begins to go too far in new construction.

Funeral services were held last Sunday at Magnolia for Mary Elizabeth Wood, five-months old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tommie Wood.

The child was found dead Saturday morning. Mrs. Wood has been making her home in Magnolia with her mother while her husband is in service. She was visiting his mother in Wilmington at the time of her baby's death.

Burial was in the Magnolia cemetery.

## FIVE WHITE MEN

TO BE INDUCTED

Five white men left here yesterday for induction at Ft. Bragg. They were: Esley Bardner Sanderson, Grover C. Bostic, Maurice L. Sutton, Norman Lee Spell and Robert Jackson.

The following white men received their preinduction exams at Bragg Tuesday: Millard C. Griffin, Arlund Mercer, John R. Parker, Norwood J. English and Jerry D. Sloan.

## Worst Storm In Years

Schools closed until Monday; Skies cleared Thursday afternoon.

Duplin's worst winter storm in several years struck this week when Duplinites awoke Wednesday morning to find sleet falling heavily. Throughout the day sleet, mixed with rain fell. The rain froze as it struck the ground. Automobiles and trucks were grounded on every highway.

Superintendent of Schools, O. P. Johnson, ordered all schools closed for the remainder of the week. The thermometer hovered around thirty degrees throughout the day and up until noon Thursday afternoon following a heavy fall of rain, mixed with snow during the morning. Friday found a clear but cold day.

The weather man today predicted rain, sleet or snow by Sunday night.

## CHANGE PERMITS

MORE CHLORINE

The State Board of Agriculture has amended its fertilizer regulations to permit the sale this season of fertilizer containing 3.5 per cent chlorine. It was announced by Agriculture Commissioner Kerr Scott.

Heretofore, the maximum chlorine content permitted has been three per cent, and all fertilizer having more than this amount this spring will be required to have on the bag a yellow tag warning the farmer that it has the extra amount.

The question of the maximum content of chlorine to be permitted in tobacco fertilizer first arose in public view at a conference of fertilizer manufacturers, agronomists, and farmers. The conference was called by Assistant Agriculture Commissioner D. S. Coltrane in an effort to determine what should be done with 35,000 tons of "Orange" and "Old Glory" tobacco fertilizers manufactured by Smith-Douglas which contain 3.5 per cent chlorine, in alleged non-compliance with the department's rule of a permitted maximum of only three per cent.

