

# Duplin



Straight from the Shoulder — Right from the Heart of Duplin

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## Statement Concerning Bond Election For New Town Hall In Warsaw

By A. J. JENKINS, Mayor

The Town of Warsaw needs a new Town Hall with adequate jail facilities and public rest rooms for both white and colored.

The need for the Town Hall has been explained at a public mass meeting held in the Warsaw High School at which time the citizens who were present were informed of the urgent necessity for the construction of the Town Hall and other necessary facilities. At this meeting the citizens present voted to hold a bond election for the purpose of selling bonds, the proceeds of which to be used for the construction of the Town Hall building, including jail facilities and public rest room facilities.

Several months ago the Grand Jury of Duplin County inspected the jail facilities used by the Town of Warsaw and reported to the Superior Court Judge that same were unfit for human confinement. The Superior Court Judge holding court in Kenansville received the Grand Jury report and immediately instructed the Sheriff of Duplin County to notify the Mayor and Chief of Police of the Town of Warsaw not to confine any prisoner in the jail until same had been remodeled to meet the requirements of the State Board of Public Welfare, who has jurisdiction over places of confinement of prisoners. The Chief of Police and myself went to Kenansville to talk with the Superior Court Judge and after explaining the situation in the Town of Warsaw in connection with the jail facilities the Judge consented to the detention of prisoners on a temporary basis providing a guard was maintained over the prisoner until the prisoner could be transferred to the County Jail at Kenansville. This condition was only to be allowed until the town could construct or provide satisfactory jail facilities.

At the next meeting of the Town Commissioners the situation concerning jail facilities and the need of the town for adequate space to carry on its governmental duties and also to provide adequate protection for the records of the Town of Warsaw was discussed and it was decided to hold a mass meeting for the purpose of informing the public as to the need of the jail and facilities to carry out the functions of the town government. The mass meeting was held, as stated previously, and it was voted to hold the election for the issuance of the bonds.

The necessary papers and advertisements have been prepared and notice has been given of the election to be held Tuesday, October 7th. In the notices appearing in the paper, which are required by law to be published, the statement is made that a tax will be levied for the payment of the bonds, if issued. I can easily see how this statement would lead anyone to believe that an additional tax would be levied to retire the bonds if they be issued. To clarify this statement, it is required by law to provide for the payment of any bonds or obligations either by taxation or assessment and it is necessary for anyone voting for the issuance of these bonds to vote for a tax to pay same. However, in this instance the tax has already been levied and your tax rate will not be increased. The present tax levy is sufficient to pay the present bond indebtedness of the town and also pay the principle and interest on the \$25,000.00 bond issue on which you are voting. This condition is brought about and due to the fact that your Town Commissioners refunded the present bond issue and affected a saving on the interest of approximately \$3000.00 per year, which saving is sufficient to retire the \$25,000.00 bond issue on which you are voting without increasing the tax rate. (Regardless of what anyone says your tax rate will not be increased because of the issuance of these bonds for the building of the new Town Hall).

When I first became connected with the Town Board of the Town of Warsaw the assessed valuation of the town was approximately \$800,000.00. Today it is \$1,302,000.00. There are approximately 150 more water customers now than then. At that time your town owed approximately \$145,000.00; at present your bond indebtedness is \$107,000.00 with enough money to the debt retirement fund to bring the total obligation of the Town of Warsaw to approximately \$100,000.00. There has been during this period approximately 75 houses built in Warsaw, which means 75 additional families to be served by your Street Department and Town Officials. There have been several blocks of additional streets opened, and the town in general is about as large as it was in 1940.

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involved in running the town affairs the city employees are exactly the same in number as they were in 1940. The people of Warsaw owe a great deal of credit for the carrying on of the town duties to their present Chief of Police and Town Clerk, who, although their duties have been increased practically 50%, are still doing the work to the best of their ability with the antiquated jail facilities and Town Hall facilities.

I wish to urge each qualified voter within the Town of Warsaw to go to the polls Tuesday, October 7th and vote for the bond issue so that your Town Officials can be provided with adequate building facilities to carry on their duties and to keep your Town Hall and equipment in step with the other improvements and buildings in the Town of Warsaw. Show your appreciation and confidence in your Town Officials by voting for this bond issue, as without your support your Town Officials cannot carry on their duties as required of them by their oath of office. Your Mayor and Commissioners are serving you without compensation. Show your appreciation by supporting them in their efforts to make Warsaw a better town.

## BOB GRADY SAYS

### IS THIS COERCION?

There's supposed to be some reason to all things, even where law and regulations are concerned. Recently a Sanitary Inspector walked into the store of G. R. Dail in Kenansville and condemned his meat market because Mr. Dail had no toilets. Please tell me what connection does a "Johnny" and a meat market have? If there ever has been any connection the buying public would not support the market. From a common sense standpoint what connection is there between the kitchen and the bathroom or the out door "back house". Dail's store has hot and cold running water where the meat counter has all sanitary requirements necessary.

Also, the inspector, with a turned-up chin, looked around the shelves and remarked they needed washing. Facts are they had been scrubbed by Dail's clerks a few days before he inspected.

I am not trying to defend "Bob" Dail, but when such injustices as this occur it's time some smart Alec gets fired in the State Health Department.

### OLD MILL STREAM

After looking at the pictures of Maxwell's Mill in the Duplin Times last week and reflecting over the many scenes I have seen around the pond, an old song comes to me. I doubt if few of the high school group have ever heard it. In fact I can't recall when I've heard it over the radio. The older generation, those older than I, will all recall it. Here are the words:

Down by the old Mill Stream  
Where I first met you,  
With your eyes of blue,  
Dressed in gingham too.  
It was there I knew  
That you loved me true,  
You were sixteen  
My village Queen  
Down by the old Mill Stream.

If you have the music or if you recall the notes, sit down and play and sing it. It's much prettier than a lot of songs we hear on the radio today.

## Capias Issued For Absent Jurors

Judge John J. Burney of Wilmington ordered the issuance of instant capias against four Duplin County men Monday who were summoned to serve in Superior Court in session this week and who did not answer to roll call. The men are J. H. Jones, J. J. Howard, A. G. Sholar and Leslie Kennedy.

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## HEADS DRIVE



LEWIS OUTLAW

Duplin's representative in the Legislature heads up the 1947 T.B. Seal Sale Drive.

## Judge Burney Charges Jury

Judge Burney charged the Grand Jury here Monday morning in no uncertain terms to comply with their oath. They are to study each bill carefully and report. Also, he charged, if any member of the Grand Jury knew of any person in the county violating a law it was his sworn duty to bring a bill of indictment, regardless of what officers may have done.

He also charged them to study the report of the last Grand Jury as it related to officers and public property and to ascertain if their recommendations were being carried out and report the same.

On calling the roll of those summoned for Grand Jury duty one person failed to answer. Judge Burney ordered the court to fine him \$25.00.

## Deer Season To Open Next Week

North Carolina's 1947-48 big-game hunting season will open in the eastern part of the State next week. The deer season will start in 38 counties, the bear season in 12. Also starting next week will be the squirrel season in 46 counties.

Bag limits for deer (only males may be taken) will be one a day, two in possession, and two for the season; for bear, two a day, two in possession, and two for the season; eight a day, 16 in possession, no season limit. An exception allows two fox squirrels in the daily bag. Hunters are reminded of a new regulation which says "deer must have antlers plainly visible to the hunter."

**STILL HUNT ARRANGED FOR HOLLY SHELTER AREA**  
The North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission is receiving applications for a public hunt this fall on the Holly Shelter Wildlife Management Area of Pender. Dates are November 4, 6, 8, 11, 13, 15, 17, 20, and 22.

Only still hunting will be allowed and each hunter may take one male deer with visible antlers or one adult bear. Twenty-five permits for each day's hunting -- making a total of 225 for the nine dates -- will be issued. Applications for permits may be obtained from John Emory, refuge manager, Holly Shelter Lodge, Burgaw, N. C. Each application must be accompanied by a check or money order for \$1 payable to the Wildlife Resources Commission, for the permit.

Deadline for receipt of applications will be Oct. 15. If the number of applications exceed 225, successful applicants will be determined by a public drawing at Burgaw on Oct. 16. Remittances from unsuccessful applicants will be returned.

## Service Station Changes Hands

H. D. McKay of Kenansville has purchased the new Atlantic Service Station adjacent to the Post Office here. He has already taken over. It is operating under the name of "McKay's Atlantic Service." He purchased it from Fred Hardy.

Christmas Seal Funds supports the Christmas Seal Fund, which is a fund for the purpose of raising money for the benefit of the children of the world.



KENNETH J. FOREMAN

Rev. Kenneth J. Foreman, D.D., professor at Louisville Presbyterian Seminary, Louisville, Ky., will be the speaker on the Presbyterian Hour next Sunday, at 8:30 A. M. over station WPTZ.

Dr. Foreman is a native of New York state and his subject will be "Our Belief in the Future Life."

## Duplin Presents "Meanest Man"

Oscar Branch, Negro, chauffeur for Slim Matthis of Warsaw, last week snatched a pocketbook from the inside coat pocket of Garfield Miller at East Banks' Service Station near Kenansville. The pocket contained two \$100 bills, one \$20 and two \$1's.

Garfield, one of the most respectable negroes in Duplin County, is well up in his 70's. He has been unable to walk for years and years. He is a familiar figure around Kenansville.

He was in his car at Banks' Service Station when Slim and Oscar drove up. Oscar went to his car and started talking. Manoeuvring to get Garfield to lean over, Oscar snatched the pocketbook from his pocket.

Oscar and Slim drove off towards Pink Hill. Miller on missing his money, called to Mr. Banks. He came out and put Miller in his car and headed out after them, with deputies from Kenansville. The two were apprehended near the old Miller place on the Pink Hill Road. Slim was arrested for being drunk, and Oscar was arrested and lodged in jail after he had officers to a wooded spot where he said he hid some money he had found. He knelt down, scratching around as if looking for the money when an officer spied the pocketbook sticking from his shoe. Examining the contents they found only two dollars missing.

## Wilmington Presbytery Seek Funds

The Southern Presbyterian Church is beginning a drive to raise \$7,250,000. Of that amount North Carolina has been allotted \$1,412,390. Breaking this down into the nine Presbyteries, Wilmington Presbytery, of which Duplin County is a part, has been asked to raise \$122,439.

The money will be used for foreign and home missions, war relief, Christian and Religious Education, Publications, Negro Work and the Assembly School for lay workers.

## Judge Burney Sickened Holding Court Here

Judge John J. Burney of Wilmington suffered an attack from malaria here Wednesday morning, soon after he opened court. He was carried to the home of Vance Gavin and Dr. Freeman in Warsaw called.

Dr. Freeman soon diagnosed his illness and said he would be out in a few days.

Judge Burney's family is away from home so he decided to stay on in Kenansville a few days.

### NOTICE!!

Inspector Stone will be in Kenansville each Monday from 9:00 a. m. to 5:00 p. m. to issue Operator's Licenses.

## Dying Falling Man C Assailant, Then Falls Dead

## Baptists To Meet In 120th Annual Session At Island Creek And Corinth Churches

By REV G. VAN STEPHENS

On Tuesday and Wednesday, of October 7th and 8th, the Baptists from the 38 churches of the Eastern Association, with a membership of almost 8,000 will send their delegates to the 120th Annual Session. On Tuesday, the Association will meet at Island Creek, just off the Kenansville-Wallace Highway; about ten miles from Kenansville, and about six miles from Wallace. On Wednesday the meeting will be at Corinth, about four miles from Rose Hill. A very interesting program has been planned for each day. The theme for the meeting is "Forward With Christ".

At Island Creek, N. E. Gresham, the pastor, will conduct the devotional. Necessary business will be transacted. John W. Lambert, of Mt. Olive, will speak on the subject "Our Associational Possibilities". E. S. Morgan will give the report on the Baptist Orphanage. I. G. Greer, Superintendent of the Baptist Orphanage of N. C., will then present the work of the Orphanage and the annual sermon will be delivered by Gilmer Beck, Associational Missionary of the Eastern Association.

At the afternoon session, T. L. Rich, Jr., will conduct the devotional. The subject for the afternoon will be Christian Education. J. W. Lambert will report on Christian Literature; Ellie Pope on Sunday Schools; A. R. Teachey on the Baptist Training Union; Mrs. Grover Britt on the W. M. U. Work; and

R. F. Marshburn on Schools and Colleges. Claud F. Gaddy, of Raleigh, Executive Secretary of the Council of Christian Education is expected to deliver an address of Christian Education.

At Corinth, the pastor, J. V. Case will conduct the devotional. The general subject for the morning will be Missions. Lowell Spivey, one of the State Missionaries, will speak on the subject of Missions. Reports will be brought on various phases of mission work. Gilmer Beck will report on Associational Missions; A. L. Benton on State Missions; J. V. Case on Home Missions; and N. E. Gresham on Foreign Missions. The Missionary Sermon will be delivered by Lowell F. Sodeman, of Clinton.

The afternoon session will be devoted mainly to the subject of benevolences. W. M. Bassett will conduct the devotional. The Minister's Relief and Retirement Plan will be presented by A. L. Brown the Allied Church League report by G. Van Stephens; the Baptist Hospital by J. B. Sessoms; and the American Bible Society by F. W. McGowan. L. A. Martin, Executive Secretary of the Allied Church League is expected to deliver an address on the work of that organization. Dr. C. C. Carpenter, Dean of the Medical School of Wake Forest College will speak on the Baptist Hospital. The afternoon session will be brought to a close with the report of the Memorial Committee, Harry L. Stewart, of Clinton.

Man shot through arteries near heart clubs assailant with hammer, hitting him on the head, cutting large gash and inflicting serious shoulder wound while falling to his death. His opponent is now recuperating in the Kenansville jail.

By BOB GRADY

Last Saturday night, about midnight, the Carnival of the Pepper Shows in Wallace, were pulling up, preparing to move on to Kinston. From reports of officers there was quite a bit of drinking going on, and some differences developed between the manager and some of the members of the crew.

William L. Danley went to his room in a rooming house in Wallace and secured a pistol. Returning to the carnival grounds he approached Jesse L. Kennon, age about 50, and remarked, "How old are you? You're not too old to die." and fired three shots at him.

One shot entered his left chest, piercing a main artery next to his heart. As Kennon fell, dying, he reached for a hammer, handed to him by a Negro boy standing nearby, and he attacked his assailant, striking him in the head, cutting a severe gash and striking him on the shoulder. He then fell dead — drunk.

Wallace police officers were called and officers Boone and Hocutt, on learning who the assailant was, went to his rooming house. They found him in bed with his head as bloody as a hog — and drunk. They arrested him.

Dr. Deane Hundley in Wallace X-rayed the body of the dead man and located the bullet.

Dr. Gooding, Health Officer in Kenansville, removed the bullet and found it to be a .32 caliber.

Coroner C. B. Sitterton held an inquest Sunday afternoon and held the defendant on a charge of first degree murder. He is now in jail here awaiting his fate.

Show manager Edgar H. Broom is charged with aiding and abetting.

## EDITORIAL

The Rutherford Co. News

RUTHERFORDTON, N. C.  
September 18th, 1947

Johnson For Governor

Hon. Chas. M. Johnson, State Treasurer has had wide experience in government and finances. His long experience in Raleigh makes him a good candidate for Governor. He is a good and practical man. He has been State Treasurer for fifteen years. He has been director of the Local Government Commission for several years. He is a member of the State Board of Education and Council of State. He is probably a member of more boards and commissions that have to do with Federal, State and local government units than any other man in the country.

He is a member of the American Legion, being a veteran of World War I. He is a Christian gentleman and an able statesman. He would put "good business into government." This is needed.

North Carolina has been fortunate in having good Governors who were lawyers. It's time to have a good business man at the head of our State government. We believe we have that man in Chas. M. Johnson.

Doubtless other good men will enter the race for the nomination for Governor. None have had the experience Johnson has had. From all indications Mr. Johnson has the lead at present. He made several good points in his address to the Kiwanis club here last Thursday evening. One was that we cannot raise taxes higher in North Carolina. The people have about reached the "limit of the tax load." The solution, as Mr. Johnson sees it is to invite, have, or create more industry in our state to pay more taxes, or help carry the tax load. Higher taxes will drive industry into other states.

Johnson favors giving European countries some tobacco and cotton, if we are going to give them much, as it seems that we must. The price of cotton, and tobacco must be a good price in North Carolina if we are to remain a prosperous state, he thinks.

Mr. and Mrs. Garland Brown of Beaulaville announce the birth of a son, Rickey, on Thursday, September 25, at Memorial General Hospital, Kinston. Mrs. Brown is the former Lois Futrel.

Complete bed rest under medical supervision, is the first requisite in treatment of T. B.

## Contract Let For Chinquapin, Lyman, And Fountain Store Road

Soon the hard surface will begin falling onto roads in the only town ship in Duplin that has been until now, without a foot of road pavement.

Tuesday the State Highway and Public Works Commission in Raleigh received a bid for grading and surfacing the road from Chin-

quapin to the Onslow County line via Lyman and Fountains Store. The bid was \$150,902.40 going to Dickson, Inc., in Monroe, N. C. The total distance of paving will be 8.4 miles. It will begin at a point approximately 400 feet from N. C. 41.

## Seven Springs Youth Held In Death Of Deep Run Man.

Two youths, Lewis W. Grady, 20, of Seven Springs, Rt. 1, and Samuel Daniel, 17, Kinston, Rt. 4, waived preliminary hearing before Vice Recorder A. W. Cowper in Kinston and were bound over to the October 27 term of Superior Court in connection with the fatal injury Sunday night of pedestrian John Stanley, 46, of Deep Run, Rt. 1.

Stanley, accompanied by his brother, F. C. Stanley was fatally injured when struck by an automobile, the driver of which did not stop. The accident occurred near

Tuils Mills in the Deep Run section Sunday night.

State Highway Patrolman Vernon Lee Spruill arrested Grady on a manslaughter charge and Dail on charges of aiding and abetting about two hours after the accident when a displaced bumper guard was found at the scene of the accident that fit the Grady car, it was reported.

Cowper fixed bond for the two youths at \$500 each, pending trial in Superior Court.

## Albert Williams Homestead To be Sold On Saturday

Part of the Albert Williams property in Kenansville, now owned by Vance Gavin will go on the auction block Saturday, Oct. 4. This sale will be final. It includes the old Williams homestead, which has been remodeled in the interior and converted into a Duplex Apartment.

There are some twenty odd lots that will be offered. See the ad of Golston Broth's on the inside for details.

## Local Salesman Narrowly Escapes Death In Wreck

Emory Sadler, of Kenansville, popular salesman for Gurley Milling Co., narrowly escaped with his life late Tuesday night when his car went out of control on a curve near Jacksonville and crashed into a power line pole. The front bumper

Editor J. R. Grady is in Washington in the interest of locating the 1000 bed VA hospital at Seven Springs. He expects to present some facts and figures to the VA Office there today. A rough sketch of the property available has been made as reported by the committee from Washington, who looked the site over last week. They were well impressed with the location.

er struck the pole about in the center, and tearing half of the bumper off, radiator and grill crushed in, the steering wheel was doubled over but not broken, which probably accounts for Sadler being alive today.

Sadler's only injuries were a cut lip, some lower teeth knocked loose and a bruised chest.

The car, a Plymouth Coach, could not be moved under its own power. It belonged to his employer. Sadler said he didn't know how fast he was going at the time but he was going around 45 to 50 as that is his usual driving speed.