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Red Cross Drive For Funds Began Tuesday, March First

The Duplin County Chapter of the American Red Cross announces the opening of its drive for funds. Duplin County's quota is \$4483.00 and it is the desire of those handling the drive to raise this quota in the first ten days of March. This can be done if you and you and YOU will make generous and early donations instead of waiting until the last minute. This is your chance to support by your donations an organization that does more to alleviate suffering in the United States and the world than any other in existence. The Times urges every reader to give wholeheartedly to this most worthy cause — and to give early.

Robert L. West, of Warsaw, and Judge of the General County Court, is County Chairman, and Mrs. N. B. Boney, of Kenansville, is Executive Secretary.

Following are the names of the various district Chairmen, showing the quota for each district:

Q. J. Sutton, Warsaw, \$725;
A. C. Hall, Wallace, \$850;
Mrs. James Fussell, Rose Hill, \$600;

Homer Taylor, Magnolia, \$130;
Mr. and Mrs. Morris H. Jordan,

Bowden, \$143;
Rev. J. Murphy Smith, Faison, \$410;
Ben Sellers, Calypso, \$400;
Rev. Leonard Prater, Outlaw's Bridge and B. F. Grady, \$230;
I. J. Sandlin, Jr., Beulaville, \$250;
Mrs. Bert James, Chinquapin, \$180;
Colon Holland, Kenansville, \$450;
Mrs. E. D. Wells, Jr., Teachey, \$75;

L. M. Bostic, Potters Hill, \$60. Don't wait for your district chairman to come to see you and solicit your donation. Get in touch with him or her right away and make your donation so that it can be reported to the Executive Secretary early. Your District Chairman has much to do and it will be almost impossible for him or her to contact every one in their respective districts — go to see them — DON'T WAIT. No one knows when some misfortune might make it necessary for them to call on the Red Cross for aid. The American Red Cross is working somewhere every day for the betterment of those in distress. HELP ALL YOU CAN — GIVE GENEROUSLY.

USDA Announces 1949 Spud Program

Details of the 1949 Irish potato price support program show two major changes from the programs followed in previous years.

Joe E. Sloan, Chairman of the Duplin County Agricultural Conservation Committee, points out that the principal change is the establishment of a single price as the base support price for all eligible potatoes, in order to encourage movement of the better grade of potatoes into consumption through regular commercial channels and limit, insofar as possible, Government purchases to the lower grades. The other major change is the announcement at this time of year of the complete price-support schedule by States for the entire crop.

For all counties of North Carolina producing early commercial potatoes, i. e., support prices will be \$1.70 per hundred weight for the

month of June and \$1.60 for July and August.

In previous program, the support price has been based on an established price for U. S. No. 1 grade potatoes, with certain lower grades supported at 50% of this price. The single support price for the 1949 potato price-support program averages \$1.80 per hundred weight for the season for all potatoes which qualify as U. S. No. 2 grade 1 7/8 inch minimum or better. This price, which is based on the January 1, 1949 parity price, is designed to insure support at 60% of parity.

The Secretary of Agriculture has announced a national potato acreage goal of 1,938,300 acres — about 200,000 less than the 1948 acreage for this year. Under provisions of the Steagall Amendment, a war measure, potatoes have been supported since 1942 at 60% of parity.



SAM BYRD

Here is what he looks like folks! The man who is writing "The Duplin Story". Sam Byrd of Prospect Hill Plantation, S. C., a native son of Mount Olive, N. C.

Sam will arrive in the county over the week end and will broadcast over the Wallace and Clinton radio station, WRRZ, 880 on your dial at three o'clock Sunday afternoon.

Be sure and listen to the man who is writing "The Duplin Story", is going to play the leading role and do the directing. Remember the time 3 P. M.; 880 on your Dial.



P. M. BEALER, JR., of Charlotte, Vice-President of A. & P. Food Stores' Southern Division

Mr. Bealer's elevation to a Vice-Presidency is in recognition of his outstanding work as head of the company's business in the Carolinas and his promotion is in keeping with the A&P's traditional policy of choosing its top officials from among Company employees.

widespread interest and the burning was largely attended. Captain James Pearsall was then serving as sheriff.

Needless to say, public hanging and burning at the stake which were modes of capital punishment in those days while lesser punishments were ear-cropping, cheek-branding, whipping, etc., have now passed into history in our State.

Report 1948-49 Seal Sale

Seal Sale

Mr. L. W. Outlaw, Seal Sale Chairman for the Duplin TB Association submits the following report for the 1948-49 TB Seal Sale: Contributions from Whites \$1818.79; Negroes \$638.33; Total \$2,457.12.

Less 20% sent to N. C. TB Association \$491.12. Bal. \$1,966.00.

Less cost of Seal Sale supplies \$105.31; Net total balance \$1,860.69.

Mr. Outlaw wishes to express his grateful appreciation to every one who contributed to this fund, and especially to those who not only contributed but gave also of their time in soliciting this amount. He also states that even though our goal was not met, tuberculosis control would go on in Duplin "according to our means", and "it is hoped that the worth of the program will be vividly brought before us."

Duplin Bill

A bill to authorize the Duplin County Board of Education to enter into construction contracts of less than \$100,000 with licensed contractors was introduced by Rep. Lewis W. Outlaw in the House. The bill would not be required to submit for contract to a representative committee.



CAPITAL THEATRE, in Kenansville. New, modern building which held its big opening on February 21. It is one of the best equipped and most modern theatres in the eastern part of the State.



Side view of SERVICE MOTOR COMPANY which was constructed during the past year. This is one of Kenansville's newest enterprises. DeSoto - Plymouth - Sales and Service, owned and operated by Emmett Kelly and Elmore Bell. They also have an expert service department to service any make of car or truck.

Beulaville Livestock Market Now Open For Business

Arthur Kennedy, well known Beulaville Merchant and farmer, has opened the Beulaville Live Stock Market, located on the Potters Hill road just at the edge of Beulaville. The market is open on each week day except Saturday. This market pays top market prices with no commission charged. At

present Mr. Kennedy is only buying hogs.

If you want top prices and quick sales, take your hogs to Beulaville Live Stock Market.

The TIMES congratulates Mr. Kennedy upon his new enterprise. This section has long needed such a service.

Capital Theatre Is Heard 20,000 Feet In Air

A brother of Rev. J. G. Morrison, local pastor, was flying over on February 21st, at a height of some 20,000 feet, and heard the program going on about our Capital Theatre, the opening program.

He is a regular commercial pilot from New York to Miami, Fla.

He wrote his brother that he gathered while flying over that a Mr. Quinn was the manager. A Mr. McGowan spoke, and he thought

nearly everyone in Kenansville. He heard some high powered Hill Billy music, he said. I come over Kenansville often but usually can't make out anything as I am around 20,000 feet up, and from that elevation you can't see much.

The pilot, J. D. Morrison, pilots a Lockheed Constellation plane carrying 62 people. He makes regular trips between the two cities.

Prominent Undertaker Of Mt. Olive Dies Of Heart Attack Sunday

Kirby Emerson Tyndall, 54, died suddenly of a heart attack at his home in Mount Olive at 1:15 Sunday morning. He was a funeral director there for 17 years, a steward of the Methodist Church, member of the Sudan Temple Shrine, member of the Woodmen of the World, the chamber of commerce, and a past president of the Mount Olive Lions Club. Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Lula Fisher Millard Tyndall, one son, William Dale of Mt. Olive,

two daughters, Mrs. C. A. Robinson of Mt. Olive, and Mrs. H. B. Willford of Edenton; one brother, Herbert Tyndall of Trenton; one sister, Mrs. W. L. Dail, also of Trenton.

Funeral services were held Monday at 2:30 p.m. from the chapel of Tyndall Funeral Home, conducted by his pastor, the Rev. A. L. Chaplin, and interment was in the family plot, Maplewood Cemetery, Kingston.

Ellis Maready Commits Suicide

Ellis Maready, age 58, committed suicide at 6:45 P.M. Saturday, Feb. 26, by shooting himself in the head with a shot gun according to Coroner C. B. Sitterson. Mr. Maready was a resident of Cypress Creek Township and was a veteran of World War I. It is understood that he had threatened to take his life on several occasions since his wife's death in June last year. He was a brother of George Maready who committed suicide on December 8th, 1948.

Mr. Maready left a note saying that he had "made peace with his God. Goodbye to all."

Funeral services and interment was held on Sunday, Feb. 27.

at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Colon Holland Wednesday evening of last week for an outdoor weiner roast. Those who assisted with the Donkey Baseball game last fall were guests, together with the families of members. A good time was had by all.

The Club donated \$100 on the Kenan Memorial Auditorium.

Attention Tobacco Farmers

Don't delay preparing your tobacco barn for the 1949 curing season. A proper oil curing system is almost a guarantee of best curing results and of no fires.

The Garner and Dail Company of Mt. Olive, both natives of Duplin County, have designed a curing that has proved to be one of the safest cures on the market. They have not lost a single barn in the past two years. They are located on highway 117. Go by and see their demonstrations or drop them a card and they will send their representative to see you.

One Dead, One Broken Hip; Six Others Injured In Wreck At Bowden Sunday Nite

A Negro woman was fatally injured and eight other people were hurt, two seriously, in an automobile accident near Bowden Sunday night.

Sarah Dobson, 39, Rt. 1, Seven Springs, died at Goldsboro Hospital about an hour after the accident.

Reported seriously injured were David Dobson, 39, Negro of Seven Springs, fractured left leg; and James E. Whitfield, 35, Negro of Rt. 2, Kenansville.

Others injured were Mr. and Mrs. John Oliver Kirby and son, John Marcus Kirby, 10, Rt. 1, Pikeville. Mrs. T. J. Merritt and two children, Lois, 9, and Foy, 10, also of Rt. 1, Pikeville.

The children and Mrs. Merritt received first aid at the hospital and were discharged; the Kirbys remained at the hospital for treatment Tuesday.

Investigating highway patrolmen said that the 1939 Packard, driven by Dobson, and the 1946 Ford, driven by Mr. Kirby, met head-on on a curve. The cars crashed near Bear Creek about 8:30 Sunday night.

The highway was slippery from Sunday's day-long rain and vision was obscured by misty weather.

Highway Patrolmen called to the scene were L. B. Lane and L. M. Harton, both of Kenansville, and Robert Furr of Goldsboro.

Editorial

ADVERTISING

The inconsistency of man is alluring, where is the reason? We talk one way one day, talk another way another day, and act exactly in reverse the next day.

Speaking as a newspaper man and referring to the report of the House Finance Committee in Raleigh last week on liquor advertising in North Carolina. The story in Saturday's News & Observer is quite "The House Committee on Finance reported without prejudice yesterday a bill to prohibit the advertising of alcoholic beverages in North Carolina. The bill would not affect beer or wine signs in stores which would sell the beverage."

Isn't that plain down right silly? Advertising is advertising, no matter how you do it. The newspapers have to make a living and their existence is through the largest industry in the country. "Advertising." Advertising covers a large area of our economic system and probably a multitude of sins. The moral problem of any publication is the judgment of the publisher. If he wants to accept liquor, beer or wine advertisements, that is his own personal and business problem. If we are going to outlaw alcoholic advertising in one form and not allow it in all forms, what have we accomplished? If we are going to allow dealers to place glowing signs on their buildings telling the public they can get it there; then what's the point in denying it to the newspapers?

The law won't allow the Duplin Times to advertise whiskey. If it did we would refuse to accept it, as we have said before. But, if legislation of this sort is passed, it is unfair to those newspapers who would accept it. The solution, in my opinion, is to outlaw all alcoholic beverage advertising. Reason: the type of advertising that is going on is the same type the tobacco industries are using, viz: Not to increase the amount consumed by the individual but to increase the number of consumers.

There has always been drinking even Christ turned water into wine, but to be fair to all we must treat all alike.

The Duplin Times wants all the advertising it can get, but our conscience, if we have one, will not permit us to publish anything, story or ad that will encourage our younger folks, as well as the elders, to drink.

We are not alone in this thought. North Carolina is full of newspapers who would not accept such advertising if offered.

Our thought is that alcohol advertising, by any means, should be outlawed nation wide, and let the individual judge his own conscience. At the same time we do believe that liquor should be legalized.

We favored outlawing the sale of wine and beer in Duplin. Our observations have been that the "lone wolf" filling station, on the edge of the woods, selling beer and wine attracts the younger generation, and not only develops whiskey drinkers but a general moral degeneration. Think it over folks.

P.S. - You will find that many of the "lone wolf" filling stations are blackmarkets in tax paid whiskey or are selling bootleg corn.

PRESBYTERIAN HOUR

1949 MID-WINTER SERIES

presenting

"TIME FOR DECISION

for Christ as Partner in Business"

By

REV. WILLIAM H. MCCORKLE of St. Louis, Mo.



The Presbyterian Hour will feature as its next speaker the Rev. Dr. William H. McCorkle, pastor of the Westminster Presbyterian Church in St. Louis, Missouri. He is a native of South Carolina and was educated at the Citadel Military College in Charleston. King College in Bristol, Tenn. conferred upon him the honorary degree of Doctor of Divinity. Dr. McCorkle had a distinguished record as chaplain in World War II, and upon his return was called to his present pastorate. This broadcast may be heard over Station WPTF, Raleigh, on Sunday morning.

S.M.T. Post No. 379 To Dedicate New Legion Home

The S. M. T. Legion Post, No. 379, at Maxwell's Mill, will dedicate their new home on Saturday, March 12, beginning at three o'clock in the afternoon.

A number of prominent speakers will be on the program.

During the dedication there will be a picnic supper, to which the public is invited to come and bring well-filled baskets.

OUTLAW OFFERS

HISTORICAL PAPER

"OUR YESTERDAYS" was the name of a weekly historical feature that appeared in this newspaper during the years 1937 and 1938, contributed by A. T. Outlaw, Register of Deeds, local historian and genealogist. It was intended to stimulate interest in County history. Since then, from time to time, other historical stories have appeared in local papers.

And now, Outlaw's latest contribution to Duplin's history is a paper entitled "The Historical Background of Duplin County" and all interested persons should ask him for a copy of it. There is no charge.

Jefferson - Jackson Day Quota \$250

DUPLIN COUNTY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Duplin's quota for the approaching Jefferson-Day Dinner this year is \$250. This will be a great Victory Celebration, because Duplin has a special right to celebrate in North Carolina since hardly any other State in the nation stood up so splendidly as North Carolina did for all the Democratic Candidates last November.

Contact a few other in your community and get their contributions and forward to F. W. McGowan, Chairman, together with yours within the next few days. We want to report early that our quota has been raised.

To Publish Kenan Chapter UDC Book

A year book giving minutes of meetings of the James Kenan chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy will be made available to all members.

Announcement was made Tuesday that Mrs. James Kenan has given \$50 for publication as a book of the minutes. The gift was unsolicited. The James Kenan chapter is the oldest chapter in North Carolina and is located in Warsaw.

Offenders Feared Old Penalties

By: A. T. OUTLAW

Kenansville.—Gone are the days of public hanging, burning at the stake, ear-cropping, cheek-branding, the whipping post and stocks; but those dark pages in our State's history reveal interesting events of bygone times.

It was the year 1773 and Judge Richard Caswell, the future Revolutionary leader and the first Governor of North Carolina under the Constitution, was holding a special term of the court of Oyer and Terminer for the trial of one Spencer Dew, plus a number of aliases, a notorious thief and counterfeiter who had previously been tried and convicted and had made his escape.

Dew had been returned to Duplin by the Sheriff of Craven County and the case was called. The prisoner's conviction at a former term was openly read and he confessed being the same person. According to his own testimony at the gallows a few hours later, Dew had been in partnership with several others of his kind and they operated mostly in the eastern part of North and South Carolina. Their business was stealing horses, cattle, hogs, merchandise, and passing counterfeit money. Usually the persons manufacturing the money were promised a share in the returns and there was a considerable amount of such practice during the years just prior to the Revolution.

Sentences and Executions.

Judge Caswell read the sentence of the court as follows: "That the prisoner be taken from thence between the hours of one and three this afternoon to the place of execution and that the sheriff there cause the former sentence of the court to be put in execution to wit: that the prisoner be hanged by the neck until he is dead."

On account of the prisoner's infamous crimes over a long period, the trial and conviction created widespread interest and the execution was largely attended. The day was August 3, 1773. Colonel Felix Kenan was serving as sheriff.

Triple Hanging.

During the month of August, 1804, at Mt. Vernon, a slave, of