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TENNESSEE NOTABLES SONS OF DUPLIN

By: A. T. OUTLAW

The late O. J. Peterson, editor of *The State's Voice* published at Dunn some years ago, once referred to this State as a national seabed, having in mind a number of North Carolinians who distinguished themselves in other States.

Among a large number of our citizens who emigrated to what is now the State of Tennessee, were Col. Alexander Outlaw and Dr. William Dickson, sons of Duplin, whose names are prominently identified with the early history of that State. It is an interesting historical fact that they were presiding officers of the two branches of the Tennessee General Assembly at the same time, years 1799-1800.

Col. Outlaw was a Revolutionary officer and served under Col. James Kenan in the Moore's Creek campaign, as a recruiting officer, and as quartermaster of the Tenth North Carolina regiment. During the war he moved to Washington County in the western part of Virginia where he served as a militia officer and fought with Colonel Campbell's men in the battle of King's Mountain. He then moved to Greene County, North Carolina (now Tennessee), about the year 1783, and received several grants from the State of North Carolina for large tracts of land for military services. He was elected and served the next year as a member of the N. C. General Assembly at New Bern and introduced a bill asking for a new State in the western territory by the name of West Carolina. During the same year he was a member of the convention held at Jonesboro which led to the formation of the State of Franklin (later Tennessee) and served that State as a Colonel of militia. Commissioner in negotiating with the Cherokee Indians, and as a County Court Justice. After the collapse of the State of Franklin he was again a member of the N. C. General Assembly at Fayetteville in the years 1788 and 1789. Also, he was a member of the Constitutional Convention held in Fayetteville, November 21, 1789. Upon the admission into the union of the new State of Tennessee he served as a member of the first Constitutional Convention and represented Jefferson County (formerly Greene) in the first General Assembly.

He was elected and served as Speaker of the State during the years 1799 and 1801. He then retired from active pursuits and later moved to Cahaba in the territory of Alabama where he died in October, 1826, in the 88th year of his age. Colonel Outlaw's wife was Penelope Smith of Duplin County. They had one son, Maj. Alexander Smith Outlaw, and four daughters who married well known men of Tennessee to wit: Judge David Campbell, U. S. Senator Joseph Anderson, Colonel Joseph Hamilton, and Paul McDermott.

Dr. William Dickson attended the old Grove Academy near Kenansville, studied medicine in New York, and began practice of his profession in his native County. He moved to Tennessee and continued the practice of medicine in Nashville until elected a member of the State House of Representatives in 1799-1800 and served as Speaker of that body when only 29 years of age. He was then elected and served as a member of the U. S. Congress from March 4, 1801 to March 3, 1807 when he returned to Nashville, practiced medicine and served as a trustee of the University. Dr. Dickson died February 18, 1816, in the 46th year of his age. His wife's maiden name (according to a newspaper clipping) was Polly Gray, daughter of Major Gray, of Franklin County, North Carolina. Their children were Cornelius Ann, Indiana and Florida Dickson.

From Dr. Dickson's family name has come a long line of distinguished soldiers, legislators, statesmen, clergymen, etc., comparable perhaps to that of any family in the South.

New Plymouth on Display



Plymouth's new special deluxe four-door sedan (above). Throughout the new Plymouth line beautifully finished bodies are lower and narrower, seats are wider and headroom greater. At the same time overall exterior dimensions are reduced, but wheelbase has been lengthened to 118 inches and glass area is increased. Horsepower is raised to 97. Although fenders flow gracefully into the body they are detachable for ease in repair.

SHOW NEW PLYMOUTH AUTO HERE AND IN WARSAW FRIDAY, MARCH 18th

The new line of Plymouth automobiles, with outstanding mechanical improvements and up-to-the-minute styling, make their appearance in dealer showrooms here and throughout the United States Friday, Messrs. Kelly and Bell, of Service Motor Company in Kenansville and Mr. Milton West of Duplin Motors in Warsaw announced today.

Completely redesigned and streamlined, the new Plymouth contains a 97 horse power engine which is smoother, livelier, and more economical. Other changes make notable contributions to beauty, safety, and passenger comfort.

Wheelbase has been increased for a better ride and more road stability but at the same time the over-all length has been reduced for ease of handling. Although lower and narrower, the new bodies provide greater interior room for passengers. The car's appearance reflects a complete change from last year's models. The Plymouths may be seen at Service Motor Co. in Kenansville and Duplin Motors in Warsaw.

Designers have achieved a "common sense" streamlining in which ease of handling, safety and comfort have received strong consideration. Fenders which blend perfectly into body lines are nevertheless separate and detachable, thus avoiding sheet metal masses so costly to repair and replace.

Increased visibility is provided in the windshield which is 37% larger and the rear window which is 25% larger. Windshield wipers clear 61.5% greater area.

Sedan seats are wider and deeper, both in front and rear. The width of both cushions has been increased 5 inches in front, 6 inches in rear - front seat width 56 inches, rear seat width 57 inches with panels and arm rests so located as to take maximum advantage of the interior space. Rear seat room in the Club Coupe has been increased to the equivalent of the Sedan. There is more head and leg room in the Sedan rear seat.

The new Plymouth line includes nine distinct automobiles. There are four special deluxe and two deluxe types on a 118 inch wheelbase, one inch longer than last year's. In addition, Plymouth will build three deluxe models on a brand new 111 inch wheelbase. This wheelbase group consists of a two-door sedan, a three-passenger coupe, and a new body type, the Suburban.

Available on the 118 inch wheelbase will be a club coupe and a four-door sedan in the deluxe series, while the special deluxe group will include both the club coupe and four-door sedan in addition to the convertible club coupe and the station wagon.

Engine performance and efficiency has been improved with a new design cylinder head which increases compression ratio to 7 to 1. A new chrome plated compression piston ring reduces cylinder wear and provides greater protection during the break-in period. There are improved oil rings for greater oil economy, while a newly-designed intake manifold induces quicker another engine warm-up and produces faster response to throttle action.

Prominent Warsaw Merchant Dies Funeral For Norwood West Friday.

J. Norwood West, 49, prominent auto dealer, died in James Walker Hospital in Wilmington Wednesday night at 12:30 of a heart ailment. Mr. West has been suffering with the affliction for more than two years.

The deceased comes from one of Duplin's most prominent families and was very popular in Warsaw and over the county.

Funeral services will be held from the home in Warsaw Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock with interment in Pinecrest Cemetery. Funeral rites will be conducted by Rev. R. L. Crossno, Methodist minister and the former pastor. Rev. A. M. Williams.

He is survived by his widow, the former Anna Pollock of Savannah, Ga.; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. West of Warsaw; two daughters, Helen and Anne of Warsaw; four sons, James Norwood, Jr., Walter P. Jerry, and Ronald of Warsaw; the following brothers, J. Milton (Robert L.), Henry D., all of Warsaw, Herbert J. of Dallas Texas; the following sisters, Mesdames W. E. Taylor, Q. J. Sutton and S. W. Murriner, all of Warsaw.

Civic Club Of Beulaville To Sponsor Baseball Team

By: JOHN SIKES

Tip: Just in case any of you all want to keep your fingers on the progressive pulse of this neck of the woods, which neck, etc., includes all of Southeastern North Carolina, it'd be a good idea if you paid a visit to Beulaville. That's the place Grady Mercer quotes a spellbinder as saying it's half-way between Purgatory and Hell's Swamp.

The Beulavillians are going strong with a civic club which aims to do things besides call each other by their first names. Right now they're letting Governor Scott and Senators Henry Vann, Clinton, and Roy Rowe, Burgaw, and Representative Louis Outlaw, Seven Springs, know they're square behind the Governor's "Go-Forward" program. And they don't want any dilly-dallying.

Among other things, the club has just voted to sponsor a Beulaville baseball team after a nattering of democratic discussion including the following statement by a member whose name I didn't catch. "There ain't no use building a fence around the ball park this year. J. D. Sandlin furnished a fence for us but some of the folks pulled all the palling to burn for washwood." Anyway, the civic fellows voted unanimously to back the team and are laying \$5 bills down on the home-plate to finance it. W. F. Miller, president of the club, has named Gordon Muldrow and Larry Bostle to look after such matters. "Keeping the folks from using the fence for washwood, the players from going off fishing on game days and ways and means of letting somebody else on the bottom."

Agricultural Commissioner L. Y. Ballentine To Speak In Wallace

By: ELLIS VESTAL

Hon. L. Y. Ballentine, State Commissioner of Agriculture, will be speaker at the Wallace High School Auditorium on Thursday night, March 24, at 8 o'clock. This meeting is sponsored by the Duplin County Farm Bureau and will be of special interest to every farmer and businessman in the county.

Commissioner Ballentine is well acquainted with the agricultural problems of this section and the Farm Bureau is fortunate to secure him for this meeting.

Brief reports of the State and National Farm Bureau Convention will be given by delegates present, thus giving everyone a better understanding of how a farm legislation policies are formulated. Don't forget the date - March 24, at 8 p. m.

Notice: Business Womens Club

The Duplin County Business and Professional Women's Club will meet on Monday night, March 21. Members of the club are invited to Clinton on Sunday, March 27th for a special meeting and a luncheon at the Rufus King Hotel. A district officer will speak at this meeting. Plates will be \$1.70 each. All members interested in attending this meeting, please notify Mrs. R. L. West, Box 175, Warsaw, N. C.

Grandfather Of Private Hargrove Dies; Result Of Automobile Accident

O. E. Hargrove, 78, Faison died Tuesday morning in the Goldsboro Hospital after being injured in an automobile wreck at Calypso Sunday night. He is the grandfather of Marion Hargrove, noted North Carolina author, formerly of Mount Olive.

Hargrove was a passenger in a car driven by John Wesley Byrd, 44, of Rt. 2, Faison. Their car collided with a panel truck owned by L. E. Garris Funeral Home of Mt. Olive. The driver was Sankie Royal, Negro, of Mt. Olive.

The wreck occurred when Byrd entered U. S. Highway 117 from a side road at the south end of the overhead bridge outside of Calypso, according to State Highway Patrolman Earl W. Whitaker. Byrd turned south after leaving the side road and crashed head-on into the truck which was headed north.

Galan Westbrook, Negro of Mt. Olive, was riding with Royal and suffered lacerations of the eyes and a possible skull fracture. His condition Tuesday night was reported critical and little hope was held for recovery.

Byrd is still in the hospital with laceration of skull. Royal, driver of the truck, was uninjured. Patrolman Whitaker said that Byrd is charged with drunken driving.

Mrs. O. E. Hargrove and family have been notified. Atwood Hargrove of Baltimore has also been called.

F. Stephens, announced that he would not be a candidate to succeed himself at the next election. Dame Rumor has entered the field of city politics with a vengeance. Speculation as to who would run, who should run and who shouldn't run has been the subject of conversation at the "Talking Posts" - a talking post is wherever two or more people meet and start the conversational ball rolling. The "Big Wigs" and the lesser politicians seem to have agreed on the next mayor and a change in the ranks of the City Fathers. This writer was called on the phone yesterday and given a tip that Mr. Amos Q. Brinson - at present a member of the Board of Aldermen

Warsaw P. T. A. Gives Style Show To Sponsor Summer Recreations

By: MRS. STACY BRITT

The Warsaw Home Economics Department of Warsaw High School assisted by their leader Mrs. Kathleen Snyder, opened the March meeting of the Warsaw PTA on Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock with an elaborate Style Show, modeling the latest spring style creations in costumes, accessories and shoes from the local merchants; namely Willford's Dept. Store, A. Brooks, Katz, and Strickland Dept. Stores. Mistress of ceremonies was Miss Stella Herring and between scenes the "Five Sporting Tones", Kay Sundry, Bobby Porter, Joe West, George Best and Tommy Rogers presented selections, "Old Time Religion," and "Bones". Kay Bundy, Joe West, George Best and Billy Wiggs gave an interpretation of "Down At The Station" and Tommy Rogers sang as a solo, "Far Away Places". Concluding the entertainment Kay Bundy and Billy Wiggs gave their interpretation of "Billy Boy".

The minutes were read and approved and the treasurer's report given. Mrs. J. N. Peirce's 7th grade was presented a dollar for having the most parents present. There were 13. Mrs. M. A. Smith, President, commented on the good attendance of parents and teachers, which goes into the making of a good PTA. 113 children were represented by their parents and 13 teachers were present with only 17 grade mothers; this was above the past month average.

Mrs. F. J. Baars reported that progress was being made in the Warsaw Grammar School, especially with the near completion of a stage in the auditorium or hall and reported that progressive work is being done by Mrs. Ben Bowden the recently hired public school music teacher. The children are fascinated with the music classes and promise much advancement.

Mrs. G. S. Best, chairman of the Recreational Committee reported that the committee recently appeared before the Town Board and that the Town would provide the building now housing the cannery for the purpose of a Youth Center for the Town of Warsaw. However, it will be necessary for the PTA or other groups to contribute for the chairs and tables for the

Red Cross Fund Drive Still Lagging

Potter Hill is the first community in the county to go over the top on their Red Cross Fund drive. This is the second year in succession that this has happened. Their quota was increased to \$60 this year and they raised \$61.50. Mr. L. M. Bostic of Pink Hill, RFD, was chairman of the district.

Reports from other parts of the county are still incomplete. Only \$475.57 has been reported. The county quota is \$4400. All districts are urged to report.

Anyone who has not contributed to the drive should contact the chairman of the district.

Presbyterian Hour 1949 Mid-Winter Series Presenting "Time For Decision"

for the Church of Christ
By
REV. KENNETH G. PEPPER
of Rock Hill, S. C.

Engineers Plan For Ladies Night

When members of the Cape Fear Engineers Club held their last business and supper meeting in Whiteville at Bennets Bar-B-Q, President Sam Wilson appointed committees for the planning for the Club's annual Ladies Night, to be held at Breeses Banquet Hall in Fayetteville on Friday, March 18. These committees have been hard at work, trying to make this the most successful Ladies Night in the history of the club which is now approaching its 4th birthday.

Genial Withers Davis of Clinton is chairman for the party and dinner which is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. with the general get-together one hour earlier.

Sub-committees and members working on the party are: Decorations and Seating - W. W. Crowell, Frank Porter, L. C. Kerr, Jr. and C. E. Brown; Favors - Blount Whiteside, S. T. Robinson and Lew Page; Program - L. C. Kerr, Sr., J. F. Devaney, and G. A. Ross; Refreshments - Turner Hight and J. W. Upton, E. C. Tyndall, J. A. Jenkins, and W. M. Ingram are program members from Duplin.

Dame Rumor And The Kenansville Mayorship

The addition of a 10,000 ohm suppressor permits the use of a larger initial spark plug gap, resulting in improved idling and low speed light load performance. The new light head performance. The new light head performance. The new light head performance.