

# Duplin Times

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**WOLFESCAPE ON THE AIR** — Sunday, March 20, Wolfescape township, lying east of Mt. Olive presented its chapter of "The Duplin Story", currently being presented over Radio Station WRRZ

in Wallace and Clinton. The program emanates from the Wallace studio. Those taking part on the program Sunday, as shown above, are left to right, seated, Miss Dora Betty Dixon, Mrs. Willie Byrd, Mrs. Perry Grady, Mrs. Ed Garlis and Mrs. Russell Whitfield; standing, Jud Neil John Diefel, William Loflin, Garland Alphin, Gilbert Alphin, Ed Garris, Russell Whitfield, Alma Jean Whitfield, John Sikes, Perry Grady, and Mrs. Garland Alphin. — Staff photo by Charles Raft, official pageant photographer



**FIRST ROW** - left to right: George E. Cain, Bus driver; Doane Cottle, Mr. Z. W. Frazelle, Kenansville Principal; K. B. Jones, Ward Rouse, Amos Quinn, Walter Rogers, Curtis Knowles, Ransom Fussell, Jimmy Barnes, Earl Knowles, Bizzell Johnson, Toby Wells, A. B. Lanier. **SECOND ROW**: Marie Wells, Mary Frances Heyer, Lucy E. Brown, Lois Grady, Charlotte Cavanaugh, Elizabeth Jones, Annie Laurie Carter, Reba Bostic, Grace Sanderson, Grace Baker, Pearl Kornegay, Eloise Parker, Elaine Register. **BACK ROW**: Annie Bryan, Luff Ellen Wills, Mrs. F. W. McGowan, Kenansville Senior Sponsor, Mrs. Forest Haws, Rose Hill Senior Sponsor, Peggy Jones, and Eleanor Fussell. The Senior Classes from Kenansville and Rose Hill High Schools, with their sponsors and principals, spent last week in our Nation's Capital and in Virginia sight-seeing. Some of the points of interest were: Mt. Vernon, National Airport, The Capital Building, National Art Gallery, Smithsonian Institute, Washington Monument, Lincoln and Jefferson Memorials, Arlington Cemetery and Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, Natural Bridge, Endless Caverns and other places. While in Washington they talked with Congressman Barden and Senator Hoey.

## Young Negro Wife Shoots Husband To Death; Self Defense, She Claims

A Negro woman who claimed she shot in self-defense is being held for the shotgun slaying of her husband last Saturday.

Coroner C. B. Sitterson said that Vinette Tyler, 22, has been arrested in the death of John Tyler, 27. The coroner quoted her as saying she shot Tyler when he threatened her with a knife during a quarrel.

The shooting occurred at their home nine miles west of Wallace on the farm of Walter Register.

Sheriff Ralph J. Jones and Sitterson went to the Tyler home shortly after 2 o'clock Saturday afternoon in answer to a telephone call. They said they found John Tyler lying on his back in a bed with an open pocket knife in his left hand.

They said he had been shot with a 20 gauge shotgun just below the ribs on the right side and was dead when the officers arrived.

Sitterson said that Tyler's wife admitted that she shot her husband when he threatened to kill her with the pocket knife found in his left hand. She also told officers that she and her husband had just returned from Wallace and a quarrel ensued.

She said, "My husband is jealous

## Peculiar Pastime Lands Two Youths In Jail In Town Of Clinton

On last Thursday night about 9:00 o'clock Mr. L. O. Williams, of Warsaw, received a collect telephone call from Clinton purporting to come from one Robert Smith. Mr. Williams was informed by the caller that his son, who is in school at Chapel Hill, had been killed in an automobile accident. Mr. Williams immediately called his son at the University but was unable to immediately locate him. He got in touch with his son-in-law, Patrolman L. H. Harton, who radioed Patrol Headquarters where he was told that they had no report of any automobile accident fatality. Sometime later Mr. Williams got in touch with his son at Chapel Hill and learned that he was all right and had been in no accident.

Next to be called was Patrolman R. C. Pridgen, of Warsaw, who is stationed in Fayetteville

## Robert Brooks Of Rose Hill Rescued In Pacific

Pear Harbor. — Eleven Navy men were rescued from a sinking Catalina flying boat in the middle of the Pacific Sunday midnight.

Navy LSM 448 picked up the airmen nine hours after their plane went down. Brief radio contact said merely the men were rescued.

The LSM is commanded by Lt. Floyd McDaniel Furr of Rock Hill, S. C.

The Catalina went down at one of the loneliest spots in the Pacific. It was not far from where a plane bearing Capt. Eddie Rickenbacker was lost during the war. Amelia Earhart lost her life in the same general area.

Chief Aviation Machinist Robert Brooks of Rose Hill, N. C., was among those rescued.

## Sam Byrd To Be Here This Week-end Will Speak Over Radio Station WRRZ

Sam Byrd, of Charleston, S. C., writer, producer and leading player in "The Duplin Story" will be in the county this week end, according to Gilbert Alphin, President of the Duplin Historical Association. He will be on Radio Station WRRZ Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock when Charity presents its program on the Pageant of Duplin. It was announced that Mr. Byrd was to be here last week but circumstances prevented his coming.

## Have You Pledged? Have You Paid? Have You Bought?

"The Duplin Story" is going fine. Tickets are now on sale in every community in Duplin and reports are that sales are moving right along but not fast as was hoped for. If you haven't done so, please do it now. The pageant is a guaranteed success, financially, as well as otherwise. The committee who will have charge of constructing the amphitheatre is anxious to begin making definite plans but cannot very well do so until a large majority of tickets are sold. The size of the theatre and number of seats to be constructed can be judged best by the number of tickets sold. Of course it is not expected to be a sell out before construction begins, but the faster they sell the more indication will be given as to the construction of the stadium. H. D. Williams has given the land on which to build the theatre but much work has to be done preparing the site before actual construction can get under way. From all reports coming in it is beginning to appear that the program will have to extend at least a week but this cannot be decided until most of our home county people have purchased their tickets. Help speed up the program by buying your tickets now.

As to the Memorial Auditorium, success is assured but the size and finishing touches cannot be made until more pledges are made and more cash begins to come in from pledges already made. If you can't give but \$5, do it now. Maybe later you will find yourself in a position to give more. Less than a thousand dollars is needed now to begin plans for construction. This is no one community auditorium, it is a county wide theatre and pageant.

## Hoey Greets Class In Kenansville

Twenty-nine students of the Kenansville High School heard Senator Clyde R. Hoey give a brief resume of the legislative action of the Senate last week while on a tour of the Nation's Capital.

Sen. Hoey talked to the students in his office, and told them the different steps which a bill must take before it becomes law. He also jokingly referred to the technique of filibustering.

The Kenansville students planned to spend a day or two touring the historic spots of the capital.

Wednesday they watched debate on the Senate floor from the galleries. They were accompanied by the school principal, Z. W. Frazelle.

## ENTERTAINMENT

Entertainments in Duplin next week include outstanding pictures at the following theatres:

Capital, Kenansville; Duplin, Warsaw; Danca, Wallace; Motor Park, Pink Hill; Model, Beulaville; Rose Hill Theatre, in Rose Hill, and the Tent Theatre at Seven Springs.

Feature pictures you will see at the county seat's newest theatre, The Capital, in Kenansville include: Julia Misbehaves, showing Monday and Tuesday. It is Greer Garson's first farce comedy, promising plenty of laughs in a clean and wholesome show. She is restaged for the fifth time with her team mate Walter Pidgeon. The story is based on Margaret Sharp's best selling novel, "The Nutmeg Tree." You won't want to miss this.

For Wednesday only you will be treated to "The Untamed Breed", one of the most sensational spectacles of four-footed fury ever filmed. Starring in the cinema are Sonny Tufts, Barbara Britton and George "Gabby" Hayes. All in color. Tom Reed's screenplay, based on the great Saturday Evening Post's story by Eli Collier, concerns a Texas wrangler whose pursuits of a giant Brahama bull is the basis of a stirring drama.

Thursday and Friday the Capital will bring you "Tap Roots", starring Van Heflin and Susan Hayward. "Tap Roots" has battle scenes you'll never forget. It was made from James Street's sensational best seller. The picture is acclaimed by the trade press as the biggest production since "Gone With The Wind". Everyone young and old, should see this feature. It is a graphic story of a pre-Civil War rebellion against Federal authority in a remote southern Mississippi county.

An artificial pine tree was constructed in Hollywood and shipped to Asheville, N. C. for special scene in the picture.

On Saturday the Capital will bring you the customary Western pictures which thrill old as well as young. Matinee and night will show "In Early Arizona" starring Wild Bill Elliott and "Caged Fury" with Richard Denning and Sheila Ryan.

the Late Show. Larry Parks features in "The Gallant Blade", a swash buckling feature drama. In this picture you will see the greatest swordsman in France; The boldest lover in Paris! He made the sweetheart of his deadliest enemy the accomplice of his sly intrigue.

For the thrill of a lifetime be sure and see "The Gallant Blade."

## Duplin County 4-H Members To Enter Livestock Show In Kinston In April.

The ninth Annual Coastal Plain Fat Stock Show and Sale will be held in the New Carolina Warehouse in Kinston on April 6 and 7, 1949. Judging will begin at 10 a.m. April 6. Sale of show animals will be held on April 7, at 1 p.m.

The following Duplin County 4-H Club members will enter animals in the Show and Sale:

Victor Taylor, Faison, 2 beef calves;  
Ray Taylor, Faison, two beef calves;  
Julia Marie Taylor, Faison, two beef calves;  
Kenneth Taylor, Warsaw, one beef calf and one pig;  
Brinson Vestal, Kenansville, two pigs.

The public is invited to attend the show and sale. Anyone needing some choice beef for their freezer or meat market should go prepared to buy a steer.

V. H. Reynolds.

## Home Nursing Course In Duplin

Miss Augusta Futch, RN, of Wilmington is conducting a Home Nursing class in the Duplin County Schools during the next six week period.

Miss Futch has sixteen students enrolled in the Warsaw White School, 18 in the Calypso white school and 20 in the Faison colored school, making a total of 54 pupils enrolled.

Classes started last Thursday, March 24, and will continue thru May 4th. The Duplin County Chapter of the American Red Cross is sponsoring these classes.

## ATTENTION

There will be a very important meeting of the Parent, Teacher Association in the local high school auditorium Monday night. Every member of the PTA and all citizens of Kenansville are urged to attend as some very important announcements are to be made. The announcements will concern every person in town. Make your plans to attend in time and hit the tank.

## Blue Mold Control Suggestions

By LACY WEEKS

Blue mold has been reported throughout eastern North Carolina. It is only a matter of time before it will attack tobacco beds in Duplin County. There are two preventive materials which will control this disease, Fermate and Dithane Z-78. These materials may be applied either as a spray or dust. Use the straight material for preparing spray. For dust treatment use commercially prepared dust mixed (15% Fermate, or 10% Dithane Z-78).

For spraying, about 2 pounds of Fermate or 1 1/2 pounds of Dithane Z-78 is needed for each 100 square yards of plant bed for the season.

For dust, about 20 to 25 pounds of the mixed dust is needed for each 100 square yards of plant bed for the season.

The dust or spray application should be applied twice weekly until the plants are ready for transplanting. Sprayers which develop 150 pounds pressure should be used. Wheelbarrow and bucket type sprayers are especially suited for spraying tobacco plant beds. For best efficiency, sprayers should be equipped with 25 to 30 feet of pressure hose and a 7 to 9 foot spray rod extension. Compact motor-driven sprayers are suited to the larger farm operations. For dusting a hand powered crank type duster equipped with 1 or 2 extra joints of pipe are preferred.

Either of these treatments is a preventative rather than a cure and should begin before blue mold appears in the plant bed.

## T. B. Research Receives Grant

Mr. Frank Webster, Executive Secretary to the North Carolina Tuberculosis Association, announces the renewal by the National Tuberculosis Association of a grant to Dr. David T. Smith, Professor of bacteriology, Duke University school of medicine for the study of chemical agents which appear to inhibit the growth of TB germs.

This grant is one of twenty-two given by the National TB Association to aid in specific TB research, and is financed from the sale of TB Christmas Seals throughout the nation.

In a series of recent experiments Dr. Smith and his assistant, Dr.

## Duplin Native Dies In Charlotte.

Services for Mrs. C. Jack Pridgen, Sr., 42, of 1830 N. Allen St., Charlotte, who died Monday, March 21, were held the following afternoon at four o'clock at the McEwen Chapel on E. Morehead St. in Charlotte.

The Rev. F. W. Kiker, pastor of Belmont Methodist Church, and Dr. R. S. Snyder of Seigle Avenue Presbyterian Church officiated. Interment was in Forest Lawn Cemetery.

Surviving Mrs. Pridgen are: her husband, who has been an employee of the Charlotte News for about 25 years; a daughter, Janice Pridgen; five sons, C. Jack Pridgen, Jr., and Marvin S. Pridgen, both of the Charlotte News, Vernon S. Pridgen, student at a lino-type school in Tennessee, Wilbur L. and Everett F. Pridgen of the home; a sister, Miss Maggie Farris of Kenansville; and three brothers, W. D. Farris of Fayetteville, and Meredith L. and James L. Farris of Kenansville.