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### A COLLEGE FOR DUPLIN?

By J. R. GRADY

It's time to begin thinking about Duplin tomorrow. Post-war adjustments are bringing on many changes in this complex, uncertain world. In every field of movements change seems to be in order. We either are going forward or going backward. The world is moving towards Communism, Totalitarianism, or putting the acid test on Democracy and free living. It is accepted by all thinking people that Democracy is the result of liberated thinking, of forward movement towards a time when all people will have equal opportunities for all has been the theme of American Democracy. The growth and expansion of our Democracy is a direct result of education. The children of America have been given public schools. The first step in education in America was the parochial or church school. Many were taught in homes and private schools. As fast as conditions would permit the Little Red Schoolhouse came into being. The three months school soon vanished in favor of the seven months school. From that state we moved forward into the four years of high school. From the few scattered high schools we moved forward into the consolidated high schools of today, ending, we hope for all time, the Little Red Schoolhouse. In just the past few years in North Carolina we have added the ninth month and the twelfth grade.

A college education is a worthy goal for every child but the number actually attending college is small. Higher education must of necessity be carried to the students if the average person is to hold his place in the growing economy and social development of our civilization.

Duplin County has long been noted for its interest in education. Though we have no colleges in our midst most of us were brought up in homes that recognize the value of education and if we did not receive an overload we did have instilled in us the importance of the proper training to the extent that we want our children to receive the very best opportunities possible.

The jump from the rural high school of today to college is too wide a gap. It places an undue burden on the rural child when he or she has to compete in our colleges with graduates of city systems. To be sure plenty of our high school graduates do compete well and outshine many city graduates but they must do so at a disadvantage.

When consolidation was first approached there arose the cry that to consolidate our schools would destroy the community life and spirit. The Little Red Schoolhouse was the center of community life. So it was. The Little Red Schoolhouse was finally destroyed but the community carried on. It not only is the backbone of the nation but it is the very foundation of our institutions. Duplin County is not a county of large cities and may it never be so. Duplin is inherently rural. Its people are children of the soil and of nature. Duplin County is one among the thousands of counties in the United States that points the way to a stable life and economy. The educated child in Duplin today will become the leader of the world tomorrow.

As the curtain rings down on our first two hundred years of history and "The Duplin Story" prepares to open the first act of the third century it is appropriate that we give serious thought to our educational problems. That we approach them in the light of progress with a view to bettering conditions in every respect. The Times believes that a step of utmost importance is now at hand. It has been suggested that a movement get under way toward this end, that is:

A Senior High School be set up in the county seat, comprising, we'll say, the 11th and 12th grades; a complete course in agriculture and mechanical skills; a complete course in business. That the ten high schools now existing be converted to standard elementary



On Wednesday, July 20th Tide Water Power Company installed a Fisher-Pierce Photo-Electric Cell Control, above, which automatically controls the street lighting circuit for the town of Beulaville. This circuit is one of the most modern, up-to-the-minute units in North Carolina. Only two or three cities have installed one as yet, reports Ralph Applewhite, District Manager of Tide Water. The sun rays control the cell which operates a relay, cutting the lights on 20 minutes after sunset and cutting them off 20 minutes before sunrise. Cloudy days have no effect on the rays that activate the cell.

In the picture above, taken at the time of installation, you see, from left to right: Cecil Brown, Stokley Bostic, Mayor, Ralph Applewhite, District Manager for Tide Water, and I. J. Sandlin, Jr. On the pole, linesman Joe B. Lee. Twenty-seven new 800 lumen street lights were recently installed in the town.

### List Jurors County Court Sept. Term

The following named persons were drawn to serve as jurors for Duplin County Court - September Term, 1949:

J. H. Sanderson, J. D. Robinson, James Wells, L. B. Matthews, Troy Cole, Herman Bishop, H. D. Pickett, Lewis A. Westbrook, Robert Best, L. W. Jones, James M. Mills, A. D. Ingram, Mrs. Jennie Hardison, Robert E. Turner, Walter Lee, D. D. Norris, J. R. Hale, Offie Hill, M. T. Tucker, Lewis Ray West, T. T. Harrell, E. F. Sheffield, Herbert Kornegay, and M. L. Davis.

### Former Governor Ehringhaus Dies

J. C. B. Ehringhaus, North Carolina's depression governor, died unexpectedly at his suite in a Raleigh hotel Sunday night at 7:30. The prominent political figure, 67 years old, died in his chair after complaining of feeling faint. His wife was with him at the time.

A native of northeastern North Carolina, Mr. Ehringhaus was elected governor in November, 1932, in the midst of the country's greatest economic depression, and during the next three years of extremely "tight" financing, he kept the state's money problems on an even keel, despite the sizeable deficit his administration inherited.

Funeral services were held in Raleigh Tuesday morning. He was buried in an Elizabeth City cemetery.

### Specialist In County

Mr. Ralph W. Turner, Farm Management Specialist with Farmers Home Administration of Raleigh, spent Wednesday and Thursday, July 20 and 21, in Duplin observing progress farmers in the county are making in improving farm practices and farm enterprises. While Mr. Turner was in the county, he took a series of colored pictures on various farms illustrating the progress that is being made.

Mr. Turner also assisted county supervisor Marion C. Holland, of the F.H.A., and farmers in selecting areas for alfalfa and ladino clover pastures.

### Tent Revival

There is an old fashioned tent revival now in progress 4 1/2 miles from Warsaw and 5 miles from Kenansville, located at Phillips Farm, conducted by the Rev. C. L. Lambert. Services each evening at 8 o'clock. Everyone is cordially invited.

### A Suggestion To Our Churches

By J. R. GRADY

It has been suggested that the ministers of every church in Duplin County, colored as well as white, plan a historical program in each of their churches some time between now and the dates of the Pageant, September 22, 23, and 24. If they find it impossible to cover all churches by Pageant dates plan to carry on the program after the Pageant is over.

As one expressed it there are hardly any of the younger generation who know little about about the founding and establishing of their particular church. In fact the ministers themselves may not know just when their respective churches were first established, whether or not they are using the same building used by the first congregation; who was the moving spirit behind the organization; the total number of members enrolled since the first meeting; and many other items and events of history. It would do well

to devote one whole hour program to the historical background and growth of the church. Such a program will be timely and fitting to the two hundredth anniversary celebration of our county.

Readers of this article are asked to bring this matter to the attention of their churches and other churches who may not know of the suggestion.

The Editor of the Times would like to hear from the ministers over the county on this idea and would like to print their sermons in some issue of the Times. All of them put together in one issue would present an interesting account of religious work in Duplin during the past 200 years. The labor required of each minister in the research work would not be too burdensome and published collectively in one issue would almost qualify as a brief church history of Duplin County. Let us hear from you ministers.

### 4-H Junior Club Members Attend Camp At Milestone This Week

Forty-five junior 4-H club members from all parts of Duplin are attending Camp at Milestone Rocks this week. The group left Monday morning and expect to return on Saturday.

While at camp, they will have special instructions in swimming, recreation, handicraft and mark-

smanship. The camp has excellent facilities for all types of recreation.

Miss Alta Lawson, Assistant Home Demonstration Agent, and Lucy F. Weeks, County Farm Agent, accompanied the group to Camp. Also Miss Annie Laurie Rivenbark from Wallace, and Joe Quinn from Kenansville went along as leaders.

### Seven County Clubs Attending 4-H Short Course This Week

Seven Duplin County 4-H Club members left Kenansville Monday morning to attend a 4-H Short Course in Raleigh. They were accompanied by Mr. V. H. Reynolds, Assistant County Farm Agent. They were looking forward to a very interesting and helpful program.

Members from Duplin attending:

The Short Course are: Evelyn Davis and Dorothy Eason of Warsaw; W. L. Miller and Robby Miller of Beulaville; Dick Cording of Wallace; Mary Lou Hill of Faison; and Elaine Register of Rose Hill. Elaine Register will enter the State Dairy Contest, and Dick Cording will enter the Dairy Production Contest. Both contests will be held in Raleigh.

### Boys and Girls Make Money Picking Up Pine Tree Cones

The Department of Conservation and Development, Division of Forestry, is in need of pine seed to fulfill the demand for pine seedlings from our nurseries.

The Whiteville District would like to see young girls and boys who live near logging operations, or who have pine trees in their yards, collect pine cones. You young people are being asked to collect Loblolly cones (short straw), and Longleaf cones (long straw), and you will be paid \$1.00 to \$1.50 for Loblolly and \$.75 to \$1.00 for Longleaf per bushel. These cones are usually collected around October 1, and you can tell when the seed is ripe, which are inside the cone, by putting one or two cones in No. 10 diesel oil. The ripe cone will float. You can also tell by the yellowish brown color of cones, and on opening show the seeds and wings to be brown. Still another way is to

collect cones when the squirrels are cutting them down. Remember that the seed are inside the cone, and we want the seed to be inside the cone when you collect them.

After you have collected your cones, put them in a cool place, and keep them spread out, this will keep the cones from opening and prevent the loss of seed. As soon as you have collected all you can, notify Mr. Ralph Miller, Beulaville, your County Forest Warden giving him your name and address and he will pick up the cones and you will receive your check in about a week.

Remember, we are going to depend on you young folks to collect these cones for us, and in the long run, help to make our State one of the most beautiful, and it will bring posterity to us as a lumber producing State.

### Local Breeding Association Has 5000 Visitors Since Jan. 1

When Southeastern Artificial Breeding Association of Asheville began operations on January 1, 1948, very little publicity was given to the beginning of a tremendous breeding program through artificial insemination. However, after several weeks the public manifested an enthusiastic interest in this

program and the stud itself, and Southeastern was soon receiving requests for appointments to witness the entire operation of the stud and an opportunity to look over the fine Proved Sires, housed in a modern barn. There has been as many as 200 visitors in certain groups who came from far and near in private cars and chartered buses.

To date there have been approximately 5,000 persons who have visited the Asheville stud - representatives from 35 states, D. C., Canada, China, Cuba, Italy and Venezuela. Southeastern is proud to have been host to these visitors and extends a cordial invitation to one and all to visit the stud, which ships semen to 40 associations in M. C., Va., Ga., and Fla., and to the Southern Artificial Breeding Association at Cape

mel. The Coastal Artificial Breeding Association, Inc., is one of the 49 associations that is serving dairy farmers in this area with semen from these High Index Proved Sires at the regular insemination charge.

### Court Of Honor

The Duplin County District of the Boy Scouts of America will hold its regular Court of Honor Monday night, Aug. 8 at 8 o'clock in the Warsaw High School gym. Twelve neighboring troops will be represented.

John Fonvielle, County Advancement Chairman, will be in charge of the meeting. Lee Brown is leader for local troop No. 20, of Warsaw, which has 30 members.

Sgt. Warren G. Whaley of the 299th Air Base Squadron, Pope Air Force Base, has been honorably discharged from the U. S. Air Force. A member of the Medical Service, he served in the Pacific with the 5th Air Force from 1940 to 1945.

### Opening Prices On Border Belt Shows Decline of \$2 to 14; Fair To Choice

#### We're Late

The publisher of the Times regrets the necessity of getting out so late this time but things beyond our control made it necessary.

Lloyd Mercer, our pressman, was taken sick over the week end, probably from the hot weather last week, and was not able to return to work during the week. A new helper scheduled to come in Monday failed to get relieved from his job to begin work on Thursday but could not conveniently do so.

This is the first time in history of the Times that we failed to get out on time due to labor shortage and let's hope it will be the last.

Lower average prices by grades and heavy volume characterized opening sales Tuesday on the South Carolina and Border North Carolina flue-cured tobacco markets as compared with first sales day in 1948.

Declines in grade averages ranged from \$2 to \$14 per hundred. Most decreased, however, were from \$4 to \$7. The greatest losses in dollar value were for low quality lugs. Extreme prices for individual lots ranged from \$4 for common nondescript, which carries no support price, to \$67 for choice lemon cutters. The practical top was \$65.

Bulk of sales consisted chiefly of fair to choice lugs, low and fair primings and fair cutters. Lugs made up around 2-3 of the marketings. The offering were lighter bodied and contained a much larger percentage of lemon colored tobacco than last year.

Volume of sales was extremely heavy and all markets were reported blocked. The general average on opening day sales is estimated at around \$50 — \$6.09 per hundred under last year's opening.



Killed July 30 thru Aug 1	3
Injured July 30 thru Aug. 1	95
Killed thru Aug. 1 this year	446
Killed thru Aug. 1 1948	376
Injured thru Aug. 1 this year	5,014
Injured thru Aug. 1, 1948	4,079

### List Jurors Superior Civil Court Aug. 29

The following persons were named to serve as jurors for Civil Superior Court - August 29, 1949: FIRST WEEK: J. J. Sanderson, C. L. Stroud, Geo. W. Sumner, T. W. Aycock, Oscar Langston, Gaylor McCreedy, H. W. Farrior, J. W. Bonham, Arminius J. Carr, L. H. Thomas, Thomas Carter, John Bachevalier, R. G. Quinn, Elbert Hill, Paul Heath, J. C. Bishop, David Wells, D. W. Raynor, Jim Raynor, A. E. James, Gardner Edwards, Lincoln J. Henderson, Co. Carter, Garney Scott, Mrs. J. L. Bradshaw, Albert A. Carter, R. Vance Harrell, J. G. Rich, V. B. Blanchard, Albert Kennedy, V. S. Bradham, Jr., B. F. Boone, A. B. Bordeaux, J. Luther Powell, J. A. Smith, Ellis Hatcher, Samuel W. Wells and S. J. Waller.

SECOND WEEK: Mark Hill, B. F. Jessup, Melvin Powell, A. C. Young, D. R. Craft, J. A. Ward, Y. D. Frederick, H. V. Boney, Johnnie C. Watkins, Hayes Raynor, Joel Kennedy, M. L. Outlaw Jr., J. J. Murray, Daniel Whitfield, Stephen H. Brock, W. L. Smith, Archie L. Lanier, Zolzie Kornegay, J. Howard Cottle, Wilbert A. Jones, E. J. Whaley, Winford Guy, James Barden, Simon Quinn, W. H. Merritt, L. M. Bostic, Robert B. Jones, M. B. Holt, William Blizard, R. P. Wood, James Ray Thomas, Mrs. Cora K. Clifton, Ben Sutton, I. B. Tenney, J. M. Sandlin, and Eugene Wells.

### Town Board Meet

The Board of Commissioners of the town of Warsaw held their regular meeting Monday night. Mayor W. E. Currie presided.

At this meeting three town ordinances were repealed - The Poolroom Ordinance of 1942; Bus Ordinance of 1945; and Taxi Parking Ordinance of 1946.

A Poolroom permit was granted to F. A. Mitchener. It was agreed that the Town would finance the expenses of the Fire Department to attend the State Fire Convention being held at Carolina Beach this year. Their attendance is compulsory by law.

### Mr. and Mrs. Wall To Tour Europe

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Wall left on Wednesday of last week for New York where they will sail on the Queen Elizabeth Thursday for a western tour of Europe. In New York they will join a party that will make the tour. While abroad they will visit Italy, England, France, Switzerland and other European countries.



The REV. O. KELLY INGRAM

pastor of the Erwin Methodist Church, who is serving as district supervisor for Cumberland, Duplin, Hoke, Johnston, Sampson and Wayne counties in the 1949 CROP Friendship Food Train collection.

Rev. O. Kelly Ingram, pastor of the Erwin Methodist Church, is one of the 17 North Carolinians serving as district supervisors for the Christian Rural Overseas Program in North Carolina. It was announced today by L. Y. Ballentine, Commissioner of Agriculture and state chairman of the N. C. CROP Committee.

The Rev. Mr. Ingram will be in charge of organization in a six-county area which takes in Cumberland, Duplin, Hoke, Johnston, Sampson and Wayne counties. His duties will include setting up county organizational meetings, aiding county officers and assisting in organization on the community level.

According to the announcement, cotton, wheat, corn, peanuts, soy beans, and dairy products will be sought for the 1949 CROP Friendship Food Train in North Carolina. The tentative campaign schedule calls for intensive collection in the fall and for completed county organization by early September.

CROP foods and fibers are shipped overseas at government expense. At overseas ports the contributed goods are turned over for distribution to the established church relief agencies which are prepared to make it available to the neediest in Europe and Asia. CROP foods have, this year, been used in supplementing the food supplies of church hospitals, orphanages and homes for the aged. They have also made possible school lunch programs for undernourished youngsters and the continuation of camps and homes where seriously undernourished children are restored to health.

### JC's Entertain

The Junior Chamber of Commerce entertained at dinner Thursday evening in Mitchiner's Dining Room. Guests for the occasion were wives and those who helped with the minstrel, recently given by the Jaycees. A cold dinner plate was served.

President Lee Brown presided. R. D. Johnson, Jr. introduced the speaker, Mr. J. T. Gresham who gave suggestions on possibilities for the advancement of the Town of Warsaw, including the improvement of the sidewalks and a paving project. The message was interesting and inspiring.

### PTA Executive Meet

There will be an executive meeting of the Warsaw P. T. A. Friday night, August 5 at the Town Hall. Everyone who has an interest in our schools is expected to attend.