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Wilson, World's Largest Begins Its Sixtieth Season As Tobacco Market

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Wilson Tobacco Board of Trade, Inc. On August 18, 1949 Wilson, N. C. will begin its 60th year as an auction tobacco market. During the past 59 years this market has seen and experienced about every condition that could develop in the marketing of a crop of tobacco, a price range from six dollars per hundred pounds in 1890 to an all time high of \$53.67 in 1919, and for the past five years holding an average of near \$50.00. World War I, then World War II, with all the labor shortages and other handicaps, such as shortage of machinery and replacement parts, gas, oils, and rolling equipment.

Despite all the above problems Wilson has never overlooked the three main factors making the largest bright leaf tobacco market, Courtesy, Service, and Satisfaction. It has been and always will be the whole-hearted desire of operators of the Wilson Market to see that every tobacco grower that patronizes this Market will be given every courtesy and all the service that it takes to maintain an orderly auction sale, and, above all, to see that every seller is a satisfied customer. The operators of the Wilson Market always welcome any constructive criticism and are always trying to better its service to the tobacco grower. The Wilson Tobacco Market has continued and will continue to support all farm organizations in their programs to build and better the farming conditions of this and other sections. The Wilson Tobacco Market has helped organize the Stabilization Corporation, the Tobacco Associates, and the Inspection Service, along with Crop Control. With the support of these organizations and along with 50 to 60 experienced buyers and a group of warehousemen that are either tobacco growers or who have an interest in farms that produce large acreage of tobacco, one may rest assured that every basket of tobacco offered for sale on this Market will get the very highest possible price.

Wilson is proud of the fact that the owners and operators of the warehouses on this Market do not operate on any other markets, making and using all their efforts in building and maintaining the best and most orderly operated market on the Flue-cured belts.

For 25 years Wilson has been operating with practically the same selling facilities, while some markets within a 50 miles distance of

Ellis Vestal Named To Farm Bureau Master Committee

A. C. Edwards, president of the N. C. Farm Bureau, announced this week, appointment of a 12-member Master Committee "to work out and recommend long-range livestock program" for the state.

Among the twelve named was Mr. E. V. Vestal of Kenansville.

Appointment of the committee was authorized July 1 at a statewide meeting on dairying and livestock at State College under the sponsorship of the State Farm Bureau.

Death Claims W. J. Grady

William Joshua Grady, 39, retired farmer and public official of Albemarle Township, died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Faison Smith near Holt's Store about noon Thursday after an extended period of declining health.

Funeral services will be held from the home of his daughter at 4 p.m. Saturday. Burial will be in the family cemetery. The Rev. L. C. Prater, Universalist minister, will officiate, assisted by Rev. N. P. Farrier, Presbyterian minister of Pink Hill. Masons will have charge of burial rites.

A son of the late John and Celia Uzzell Grady of Duplin County, he had spent most of his life at his old home in Albemarle. He served in many public offices, but retired from public life in 1938. In 1886, he filled his first public office, that of postmaster at Albemarle which he held for 33 years. He also served as Justice of the Peace for 12 years and officiated at many marriages during that period. He served two terms on the Board of County Commissioners, one term as chairman and served on the County Board of Education for about 20 years. In his public career he saw construction of the Duplin courthouse and erection of B. F. Grady School.

He was active in the consolidation program for Duplin Schools. He was a member of St. Johns Lodge No. 13A.E.K.A.M. at Kenansville.

He was popularly known as "Uncle Jack" to relatives and friends. He married Kate Ford on April 29, 1894, and she survives with three daughters, Mrs. D. G. Simmons and Mrs. Faison Smith of Albemarle and Mrs. H. W. Spence of Kinston; two sons, C. W. and Paul Grady of Pink Hill; two sisters, Mrs. G. M. Maxwell of Seven Springs and Catherine Grady of Greensboro; 13 grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

Completes Course

John Fonvielle, manager of the Warsaw Motor Co. graduated from General Motors Institute in Flint, Mich. Sunday, August 5. He completed a two year course in Management, Sales and Service.

Duplin County Health Department Employs Supervisor Of Nurses

Dr. G. V. Gooding, Duplin Health Officer, announces the employment of Miss Mary Allee Whitfield of Garland by the County Health Department. She will serve in the capacity of supervisor of the County Health Nurses.

Work Nearing Completion On Re-Surfacing Warsaw-Mt. Olive Road

Swift progress is being made on the resurfacing work now underway on US Highway 117 between Mount Olive and Warsaw.

H. R. Byrd, general superintendent of the project being done by the Nettle Teer Company of Durham, said that the first phase of the work was completed Thursday of last week. This called for the laying of a 1 1/2 inch leveling base.

Following this comes the final bituminous topping.

Work is progressing satisfactorily, commented the superintendent, and if the progress continues according to schedule, we should have the entire job completed in about ten more working days.

ing previous experience with the Wayne County Health Department. She served as Senior Nurse and Supervising Nurse for some time in Rex Hospital, Raleigh. Miss Whitfield received her training at the James Walker Memorial Hospital in Wilmington. She will make her home with the Goodings.

One of the largest bituminous mixing plants in the United States has been set up two miles south of Faison on 117, which is the approximate midpoint of the construction work.

The mixing plant is a maze of huge machinery which is reported to have been set up for operation at a cost of \$18,000. A liquid base product is piped under the highway from tanker cars on a temporary siding along side the roadway. Here the liquid is mixed with sand and clay until the proper consistency is reached. The mixture is then trucked to the road for use.

All necessary permits will be signed and the work will be done in accordance with the specifications. We also solicit any proposals or suggestions for improvement.



Melvin Williams, age 6, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lehman Williams of the B. F. Grady School Community, is the first person to be chosen for an important role in "The Duplin Story", the historical play to be presented at Kenansville in September. Cast in the part of Clarence Miller, an 18th Century youth of Sareeta, Melvin will be one of hundreds of Duplin County children taking part in the bicentennial celebration.

Duplin Dries Rally In Kenansville

Sunday, August 14, at 3 p.m. is the time that has been selected for the final dry rally in Duplin County before the county-wide ABC election on August 16. This is another of the series of county-wide elections brought forth by the several local bills passed by the last session of the State Legislature.

The rally, led by the All ed Church will meet in Kenansville in the Kenansville High School Auditorium. Featured on the program is an inspirational address by Dr. I. G. Greek, noted dry leader and one of the state's outstanding speakers.

A large number of the citizens of Duplin who oppose the establishment of ABC stores are expected to attend this rally, as they whip into final shape their plans for carrying next Tuesday's election.

Planning Special Edition Next Month Duplin Times Increases Staff

The Duplin Times announces additions to its staff in preparation for its Bi-Centennial edition scheduled to appear September 16th. Also the Times will publish a souvenir booklet and program for "The Duplin Story."

Last week Mrs. Margaret Tucker of Kenansville joined the Times Staff as Kenansville society editor and advertising solicitor and in charge of job printing.

Mrs. Christine Williams of near Pink Hill will represent the Times this fall in Kinston and the northern part of Duplin as advertising solicitor. Mrs. Mamie Heath of Pink Hill will continue as subscription agent. Mrs. Heath has been with the Times for about ten years now.

Jack Lunan, well known feature writer, advertising man and editor among North Carolina papers, joined the staff this week. He is a former managing editor of the Wilmington Star. Mr. Lunan will devote his time for the next six weeks as advertising solicitor and special writer for the Times special edition and will be managing editor of the souvenir booklet to be published for the pageant. The booklet is expected to be 50 pages or more, size of page 8 1/2 x 11 inches. The cover will be in two or three colors. It will be printed by the Wilmington Printing Company using the lithograph or offset method. The book will include the official program, pictures of leading actors in "The Duplin Story" and general information about the pageant and Duplin County. The first run will be 5000 copies and more will be printed if necessary.

The special edition of the Times will be devoted to history of Duplin County. Part of one section is already printed featuring a brief history of the county compiled by A. T. Outlaw. You will find Mr. Outlaw's work predominating throughout the issue. Many of his popular features "Our Yesterdays" that have appeared in the Times off and on for the past 15 years will be included. Also many of the "Duplin Personalities" features that appeared several years ago by the late Suddie Miller, popular associate editor of the Times for many years. We welcome any contribution of a historical nature from anyone. All manuscripts must be signed and due credit will be given the authors. We also solicit any proposals or suggestions for improvement.

New Gas Stove Agency Here

The appointment of I. R. Jones of Kenansville as Kenansville and Duplin County agent for the Tappan Gas ranges and house or store heaters has recently been announced. Mr. Jones, proprietor of the local cafe, now has the gas range on display. The new Tappan range is the very latest in cooking equipment. Gas heat is nothing new. It has been the main dependability for cooking purposes in cities for many years but recent developments in gas production has brought about a revolutionary service that makes available this wonderful quick heat for all homes everywhere. The new, poisonless, tube gas now can be installed anywhere. For general heating purposes a huge tank may be installed. It supplies gas for every purpose over an extended time and is immediately refilled when the tank gets low or a new tube is replaced when needed.

During the month of August and September, Mr. Jones will be at the cafe with each customer and installed the tube will last a cooking range about three months. Mr. Jones would like to make an appointment with anyone interested and point out the advantages and economy of gas cooking. You are referred to his ad in this paper.

Wallace, "World's Largest One-Sale Bright Leaf Tobacco Market"

Memorial Drive To Honor Dead

At a call meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the town of Warsaw Monday night one city ordinance was repealed.

A motion was made and unanimously passed to designate that a portion of the highway cut off from the Tide Water Substation past the High School and on past the residence of H. E. Lee to be named "Memorial Drive" in memory of the late Bill Stoggs Wilson, Robert Wallace Buck and E. S. Boney, three World War II veterans who served in the United States Army.

The ordinance repealing the property owners from holding title to more than fifty feet from the sidewalk was repealed.

Mayor W. E. Currie presided and all members were present except Glenn Lawson.

To Visit Warsaw

District Governor H. A. Marks, Rotary International, will visit the Warsaw Rotary Club at the regular luncheon meeting on September 1st.

Duplin Farmers Hear Three Speakers At Produce Cooperative Meet

Faison, Aug. 3.—Some 40 farmers of Duplin County and a few from Wayne County heard three speakers this week tell them it would take faith, courage and good management to set up a produce cooperative in Faison.

It was a meeting of farmers and business men of Faison who are interested in going into business to set up a cooperative. The meeting was held at the Faison Community Building, James Hill of Faison presided.

E. W. Lins, Southeastern district manager of the American Fruit Growers Company, was the main speaker. He warned the farmers "not to start until you really want to -- there will be interests who will want you to fail -- and will do everything in their power to keep you from succeeding. You must have faith."

His recommendations were to have know-how or good management, a central packing plant, and a good home trader. Lins said it pays to have a good management as 30% of cooperatives fail for the lack of proper business conduct.

He told them an elaborate plant was not necessary but that there should be adequate floor space for machinery, plenty of land for load-

ing and unloading to prevent congestion and for future expansion. Lins recommended selective membership in the cooperative with shares selling at least \$100 per share.

The meeting began with a short talk by J. Vivian Whitfield of Warsaw, who is associated with a cooperative locker in Pender County. Whitfield was introduced by Hill, one of the promoters of the cooperative idea in Faison. Ray Cates introduced Lins.

A. R. Hovest, general agriculture and livestock agent of the Atlantic Coast Line from Wilmington, spoke briefly, saying he had much experience with cooperatives, and that he felt the three things most important were "loyalty, quality and quantity."

Mrs. Charles A. Leonard, wife of Dr. Leonard, returned missionary from China and Hawaii will speak at the Warsaw Baptist church on Monday, August 15, at 8 o'clock. Mrs. Leonard will show motion pictures and slides of her work in the foreign field. This service is being brought to the public by the W. M. U. of the Baptist. The public is cordially invited.

Court Of Honor Held In Warsaw

Boy Scouts of Duplin County held their regular Court of Honor Monday night at the Youth Center in Warsaw with John Fonvielle, Advancement Chairman, presiding, assisted by Bill Craven of Goldsboro. The Board of Review was held after which the Court of Honor was conducted. The flag ceremony, troop attendance report, inspection, activities, and closing ceremony followed with Kenansville Troop No. 50 winning first honors, the yellow ribbon for their flag and Warsaw Troop 20 taking second place.

Judges were J. C. Thompson, of Warsaw, Scout Executive Bruce Boyer, and Dr. G. V. Gooding of Kenansville.

The next Court of Honor will be held in Calypso.

Mr. Witherington Suffers Heart Attack

Faison Witherington of Mt. Olive suffered a severe heart attack at his home there Sunday. He was carried to the Goldsboro Hospital and latest reports from members of the family state that his condition is not so good. He is being kept under an oxygen tent constantly.

Mr. Witherington is a native of Faison son of Mrs. Annie Witherington. He is head of the Mount Olive

TEXAS BEAUTIES SING "CAROLINA JUBILEE"



The above picture was sent to the Times by J. R. O'Daniel of Ft. Worth Texas. The writing faintly noted in the lower right hand corner reads "Carolina Jubilee" played by Tommie Haas and sung at Ft. Worth July 9, 1949.

Mrs. Haas is a noted musician of Ft. Worth and collaborator in writing the music to the Pageant theme song. Mr. O'Daniel did not tell us who the two young beauties are who sang.

By: JUDSON C. GREGORY

When selling operations get under way throughout eastern North Carolina's Bright Leaf Belt next Thursday morning, here's one market that will be putting its best foot forward to keep the title it has so proudly held during the past seasons. By now, far and wide in eastern North Carolina and beyond, the name "Wallace" and the title "World's Largest One-Sale Bright Leaf Tobacco Market" have become synonymous. In Wallace and throughout Duplin County that title has become nothing short of a by-word on the lips of farmers, merchants, townspeople and tobacco warehousemen. Be there a soul who believes that Wallace won't be out to retain its title for the 1949 tobacco season? Then that soul should not pay a visit to Wallace any time of day or night when there's a chance that Wallace means will be engaged in friendly confab on the streets in the shops, on the looper's benches, the conversation always managed to get around to that one topic about which all true Wallace citizens and boosters are justly proud, the Wallace Tobacco Market. To witness the ardent support being demonstrated in favor of the "World's Largest One-Sale Bright Leaf Market" leaves little doubt in one's mind that the chances are excellent for a bigger and better Wallace Tobacco Market this year than ever before.

One of the numerous affairs already planned to talk-up and promote the Wallace market is Wallace Associate's Annual Fall Banquet. This affair, featuring addresses by prominent business and civic leaders of this area, is scheduled for Tuesday night in the Wallace Community Building. As if you didn't already know, Wallace Associates, Inc., is an organization of progressive Wallace merchants and businessmen who believe in getting behind every worthwhile movement that might lead to a more prosperous future.

Local Lions Going To Work

Sam Byrd and Corwin Rife were guests of the Kenansville Lions Club meeting Wednesday night. Following the supper the club went into a business session. It was decided that the Club will gather at Lion Colon Holland's home Monday night immediately following supper and give two hours work towards construction of props to be used in the play "The Duplin Story" with Mr. Rife directing the work. President Mitchell Allen named various committees to serve the club throughout the Lion year.

Duplin Schools Begin Opening Next Thursday

Supt. O. P. Johnson announced this week that all white schools in Duplin will open Thursday, August 18th except Warsaw and Faison, for the 1949-50 school term. Warsaw and Faison will open one week later, August 25th.

The Kenansville School will operate during the first four weeks on the agricultural schedule, beginning at 8:15 and continuing until 1:25. A class will be added to the local school curriculum. All faculty members from last year will return.

Parents are cautioned that beginning students must be six years old by the first of October and should visit the health department before the opening date.

Warsaw To Hear Sam Byrd Mon. Nite

Sam Byrd, writer and director of "The Duplin Story" will be presented along with Corwin Rife, scenarist and artist, and Gilbert Alphin, President of the Duplin County Historical Association in the Warsaw High School auditorium Monday night, August 29th at 8 o'clock by the James Kenan Chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy. Mesdames F. W. McGowan and Louise Mitchell will present a skit put on by Kenansville illustrating the type of contribution school children will make toward the pageant.