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All School Children Will Be Admitted For Fifty Cents

"The Duplin Story" Closes With Saturday Night's Showing Here

The Mid-Century production of "The Duplin Story" goes into the home stretch today as Sam Byrd and the 750 member cast prepare for the final two performances tonight and tomorrow night. The cast and choir are at their best and plan to give the final two audiences everything they have. Everybody is getting pepped up for the largest attendance so far. Many predict a turnout of more than 5,000 tomorrow night.

Officials of the play decided Wednesday night that not enough school children were seeing the play. As far as they are concerned it is not a matter of making money. All school teachers and educators who have seen it say that definitely all school children in Duplin County and throughout Eastern North Carolina who can should see it. Last year the Kingston Free Press in an editorial said it should be filmed so that every school child in the state could see it. With the new admission price of 50c for all school children during the remaining nights it is hoped that all parents will see to it that their children see "The Duplin Story". Attendance Monday and Tuesday nights was good but Wednesday night was off badly.

This week distinguished visitors who have been recognized at intermission included Col. John D. Langston of Goldsboro, Dr. Messick, president of ECTC; Prof. J. K. Gray of ECTC; Mr. Blanchard, president of Pleasant Junior College; John Bright Hill of Wilmington; A. G. Sloan of Marion, S. C.; Moseley Boyette of Carthage; Senator Rivers Johnson was called on for a talk one night and said "The Duplin Story" like Jonathan Daniels, said, is a "North Carolina Story".

Saturday night will ring in a second successful year for Byrd and his story that he wrote, directed, produced and played the leading role.

W.S.C.S Meets In Pink Hill

The Woman's Society of Christian Service of the New Bern District met for a combined seminar and zone meeting at the Pink Hill Methodist church Tuesday. Over 100 women from the district attended the meeting.

Registration began at 9:30 a.m. The morning session was called to order by Mrs. R. L. Latham of Washington, N. C., Zone Leader. The opening prayer was given by Rev. Tommy Horner, pastor of the Pink Hill Methodist Church. Mrs. Carl Herrington, District Bible Study Leader, conducted the seminar and plans were made for the year's work.

Lunch was served to the group by the women of Pink Hill in the new Pink Hill School Cafeteria. Mrs. R. L. Cox of Mt. Olive led the Bible study course of the Near East. The day's program was concluded with a business meeting. Speakers of the day were Messrs. Carl Herrington, W. B. House, B. L. Jerome, New Beth, J. N. Moore, Beaufort; F. P. Brooks, Greenville; Stanley Mann, New Port; R. L. Cox, Mt. Olive; J. B. House, Beaufort; and Miss Charity Holland of Chatham.

The Pink Hill Chapter of the W.S.C.S. was hostess for the day.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Marriage licenses have been issued by the Register of Deeds during September to the following: Lester Hobbs and Lucille Powell of Duplin (colored); James S. Murphy and Isabel Jones of Duplin (white);

Clois D. Jackson and Annie Ruth Sutton of Sampson Co. (white); Aubrey Daniel Quinn and Peggy Roberts of Duplin (white); Albert Lane and Julia Hand of Duplin (colored);

John Christian and Betty Jane of Duplin (colored);



BARBARA JEAN THOMPSON

Justice Of Peace Cases Rendered

September cases before Justice of the Peace C. B. Sitterson ranged from assault with deadly weapons to Peeping Tom charges.

The most serious case on record is the assault on Jeff D. Alphin, Jr., 17, by his father Jeff D. Alphin, Sr. with a pocket knife inflicting serious body wounds which required 152 stitches. Alphin, Sr. has been bound over to the County Court under \$300 bond.

William Marshall, charged with non-support of his wife, Mabel and baby, was brought back from Washington, D. C. where he was working to be tried in County Court.

Water Hood (colored) charged on three counts; the first assault with deadly weapon, shotgun, with intent to kill; the second, assault on a different person; and the third, cohabiting with Martha Kennedy. Martha Kennedy is also charged with cohabitation.

Convict George Henry Davis charged with escape on Sept. 7, from Prison Camp 305 after being convicted and confined for 60 days gets 60 additional days.

John Campbell Pridgen charged with operating auto while intoxicated with liquor, beer or drugs in a careless and reckless manner with out due regard for the safety of others, transporting non-tax paid liquor and causing wreck resulting in personal damage.

Fred Vann went to R. O. Blizard home and pulled a trailer down the road and removed the wheels complete with tires.

Clifton Hard charged with public drunkenness and possession of non-tax paid liquor.

Wesley Clement charged with driving drunk and transporting non-tax paid liquor.

Speeding charges were made against Tommy A. D. Smith who was bound over to County Court; also John Calvin Carr, and Christopher Merritt Stroud.

The following were charged with operating vehicles with no operator's license: James Edward Wilson, Norman Williams Brown, George B. D. Parker, and Willard Phillips.

Howard Henry Welch charged with operating without chauffeur's license and Archie Lee Strickland charged as an expired chauffeur license. Both were charged with no operator's license.



BETTY LANDON RAY

Above - Miss Betty Landon Ray, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Ray of Faison, was formally presented to society at the Terpischoran Ball in Raleigh Friday night.

Wearing her debutant dress is Miss Barbara Jean Thompson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Thompson of Warsaw, who made her debut to North Carolina society last week end.

Duplin, Onslow Jones Eligible For Disaster Loans

The Agriculture Department has included Duplin, Pender, Jones and Onslow counties among the 13 to receive production disaster loans, it was announced Friday.

These counties were included because of the heavy rainfall which flooded fields and caused severe crop losses in July.

To be eligible for a loan through the Farmers Home Administration, a grower must certify that he has suffered unusually heavy loss from a disaster and is unable to obtain credit from local private or cooperative sources.

LOCAL PATROLMAN ENLISTS IN SERVICE

Patrolman Bruce L. Cooke of Kenansville this week enlisted in the 9945th Volunteer Air Reserve in Raleigh. He expects to be called to active duty in a few weeks. Cooke has been in Kenansville only a few weeks but has made many friends in the county. He is a native of Nashville.

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FLOYD SMITH'S FISH LINE

Floyd Smith of Alberston tells this and for some reason we are inclined to believe it. What do you say John Ivey?

About two weeks ago Floyd stopped by a fishing hole in Sutton's Branch for a few casts. Standing on a stump he cast into a pool by some light undergrowth. Playing with the line he heard a flutter over head. Looking up Floyd saw a Cat Fish Owl watching him and the bait. Smith decided to play along with the owl and see what would happen. He would jerk his line and the owl would stretch his neck, raise his wing slightly as if to make a lunge for the bait. After tempting him several times, the owl gave Floyd the once over and made a leap for the bait. His claws grappled the line and the hook caught in one claw. Floyd threw the line around a small maple and pulled the owl to the ground. The owl's feet became well entangled in the line. Floyd grabbed a stick and struck but missed. The owl flew up. Floyd let the line tighten easily so it would not break. When the owl reached the full length of the line he was pulled back to the ground and killed. The wing spread was about four feet.



"BLOSSOM GAVIN" - Miss Norma Mazo of Charleston, S. C. who has captivated the audience each night in the James Sprunt scene of "The Duplin Story" with her singing of "The Moth and The Flame". Miss Mazo says she has fallen in love with Kenansville and hopes to be in "The Duplin Story" again if it should continue in the future.



VISITORS in Kenansville Thursday night at the opening of "The Duplin Story". They are, left to right, Dallas Jones, Magnolia and

LA PLACE CLUB SPONSORS CLINIC

The La Place Home Demonstration Club, which centers around the Rone's Chapel community, announces that a baby clinic which they are sponsoring will be held

on the first Tuesday in each month in the Rone's Chapel community building. Dr. G. V. Gooding, Duplin County Health Officer, will give the babies their examinations. All mothers of the area, both white and Negro, are urged to use the clinic's services.

General Hershey Speaks At Dedication

Major General Lewis B. Hershey, national director of the Selective Service system, was the principal speaker at the dedication exercises at Camp Tuscarora Sunday afternoon.

General Hershey was introduced by Colonel John D. Langston, who served as Hershey's first assistant during World War II.

William P. Kemp, president of the Tuscarora Council, presided at the ceremonies. The invocation was given by the Rev. Jerry M. Newbold, Warsaw, member of the Council's Executive Committee.

Several musical numbers were rendered by Miss Nan Ogburn of Smithfield.

An account of the history of the memorial plaque was given by President Kemp, who also recognized those memorialized by the plaques.

The plaques honored four Duplin County Men, John Wesley Shaffer, son of Mrs. Nora Shaffer of Kenansville; Theodore Dunn Southerland, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Southerland of Wallace; Tyson Hardy Newborn, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. T. Mewborn, and Lt. James Dempsey Simmons, son of Mr. and Mrs. Marvin H. Simmons, both of Outlaw's Bridge.

The memorial exercise committee consisted of Glenn W. Grier, Jr., Newitt P. Williams, and James W. Butler.

NOTICE TO ALL REGISTRANTS OF DUPLIN COUNTY

As yet the Merchant Marine has not been declared an essential part of our national defense program, therefore registrants, who seek to enter the Merchant Marines will not be exempt from the draft.

Albert Outlaw, Chairman Local Board No. 31 Duplin County.

JOHNSON TO REPLACE JOHN BRIGHT HILL

Chas. M. Johnson of Charlotte, native of Burgaw, former State Treasurer and defeated by Governor Kerr Scott for Governor of North Carolina in the last election, has been named collector of customs for the Port of North Carolina at Wilmington. He will replace Col. John Bright Hill, native son of Warsaw, who has served in that capacity since the early thirties.

Warsaw - Beulaville Game Moved Up

The football game between Warsaw and Beulaville originally scheduled for Friday night but due to "The Duplin Story" was postponed until Monday night has again been changed because of excessive lighting costs for one night. The game will be played at 2 p.m. Friday. It plays at 2 P. M. Friday.

LOSES MEMORY

J. D. Alphin, Jr. 17, of Duplin County, was found by his father in a wounded condition on the highway between Pink Hill and Deep Run Sunday about 8 p.m. but he could not remember what had happened.

He was taken to Parrott Memorial Hospital in Kingston where he was treated for cuts on his back, one arm and shoulder and one gash which touched his rib. Authorities are checking on his story.

GRADY PTA MEETS MONDAY EVENING

The B. F. Grady Parent-Teacher Association will meet at the school house Monday evening at 7:30. The local Health Department will give the program. Refreshments will be served.

Growers of green peppers in North Carolina expect to harvest 3,600 acres of the crop this year. In experiments pastures have yielded the equivalent of 60 to 80 bushels of corn per acre.

Poultry Show Winners

The second Poultry Show and sale, sponsored by Sears, Roebuck and Co. was held at the Agriculture Building Saturday, Sept. 9th. Ten 4-H Club members each entered 12 New Hampshire Reds to be judged.

The Danish System of Judging was used. Judges for the show were T. B. Morris and W. G. Andrews, both Extension Poultry Specialists from State College.

Blue Ribbons were awarded to Maurice Mercer, Edward Thigpen, Betty Smith of Pink Hill Rt. 2; and Clara Lee Kornegay of Mt. Olive. Red ribbons went to Roy Westbrook, Archie Dunn, Albertson; Shelby Bell, Mt. Olive, Rt. 3; and Jerry Cottle, Pink Hill, Rt. 1.

Albert Mazingo, Mt. Olive, and Mary E. Whaley, Teachey received white ribbons.

Cash prizes of \$100 were also awarded. Those winning blue ribbons received \$13, red ribbons \$10 and white ribbons \$4 each.

Following the judging the fowls were sold at auction. Neil Bolton, Agriculture Agent for Tide Water Power Co. was the auctioneer.

Pullets averaged \$2.12 each, the highest was \$2.85 purchased by W. W. Bell, President of Tide Water.

Scouts Honored at Wayne Rites



Nineteen former Boy Scouts who were killed during World War II were honored at special dedication services Sunday afternoon when blue plaques were unveiled to the public at Camp Tuscarora, near Mount Olive. Looking on are Gen. Lewis B. Hershey, selective service chief, and Col. John D. Langston, executive director of the service. Gen. Hershey said in the dedication address that the nation owes a debt to these boys and their families and that the nation should try to live up to them. (Photo by Bill Smith)