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## County-Wide Democratic Rally In Court House Wed. Nov. 1st.

Hundreds of Duplin Democrats are expected to converge on Kenansville next Wednesday evening at 7:30 when Hon. William B. Umstead of Durham will address a county-wide Democratic Rally in the courthouse here. District and County candidates for office in the coming election will be present and introduced to the gathering. Every democrat, especially ladies is invited and urged to attend this meeting. It will be the final Duplin Rally by Democrats before the general election to be held on the first Tuesday in November, the seventh.



**DEATH CAR:** Above is the 1936 Packard in which Dennis Byrd was killed at Bear Marsh church last Saturday night. A coroner's jury ruled the accident unavoidable. It is speculated that had the auto inspection law not been killed by the last legislature this and many other such wrecks would not have occurred during the past year and a half. This car was examined and found to have had a bad steering gear. (Photo by Vaden Brock).

### Accidental Wreck Takes Life Of Young Duplin Man At Bear Marsh Church

A deliberate violation of the law, to wit: driving an auto without driver's license, resulted in the death of a friend. If driver had not been driving the accident would not have occurred. Last Saturday night three young men, Dennis E. Byrd, age 16, Robert Eugene Hargrove, age 18, and a third boy whose name we were not able to secure of near Faison, were riding east along the road at Bear Marsh church. Young Hargrove was under the steering wheel of a 1936 Packard. According to Lester Southerland, who testified at the coroner's hearing, the boys were not speeding. He said they passed him at the top of the hill near the church and he was going 35 miles per hour. He stated that in his opinion they were not going over 40. After passing his car the Packard left the road on the right and then swerved back to the left, overturning. Byrd was thrown from the car and it fell over on him. He died two hours later in a Goldsboro hospital. The other two occupants were unhurt. Hargrove was exonerated from all blame by a jury in Kenansville Wednesday afternoon, ruling that the accident was unavoidable. Some one told Coroner Sitterson that he examined the old car and found the steering wheel would make a half turn before the gear was contacted. This was believed to have caused the wreck. After the coroner's hearing Coroner C. B. Sitterson had a long talk with young Hargrove telling him he was morally if not legally responsible for Byrd's death because he was driving without a driver's license in violation of the law. A little over 18 months ago, on March 15th, 1949, O. E. Hargrove, an elderly man and uncle of Eugene Hargrove was killed in an auto accident at the overhead bridge at Calypso in which wreck Dennis Byrd's father was driving.

### Three Duplin Teachers Initiated Into Delta Kappa Gamma Nat'l Honor Society

Last Saturday the 21 October 1950 three Duplin County teachers were initiated into the Delta Kappa Gamma, National Honor Society for women teachers. The ceremony was held in the Goldsboro Hotel. A luncheon for the members followed.

The Initiates were Mrs. Faison McGowen, English and French teacher at Kenansville High School; Mrs. Susie S. Teachey, Duplin County elementary supervisor; and Mrs. Ethelene Parker Cupp, first grade teacher at the Beulaville school.

Mrs. McGowen is the former Miss Pearl Canady of Hope Mill, N. C. She was valedictorian of her class at Gray Creek High School. During her four years at Meredith College she was a member of the Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society and received her A. B. degree from Meredith College.

During Mrs. McGowen's first five years in the teaching profession, one of her most outstanding achievements was the coaching of a winning basketball team. Her Linden High School girls team was undefeated in county and state district tournaments for three successive years. Throughout her teaching career she has taught English or a combination of English and Journalism. Some of her students have written and produced three act plays. Each year she assists her students in publishing an annual or high school paper.

Debating is another of her chief interests. Mrs. McGowen's students have for several years entered the State Debating Contest sponsored by the University of North Carolina. In 1948 her team was district winners; two of her teams have gone to the semi-finals in the state. Mrs. McGowen takes an active part in community and civic affairs also. She served for two years as a member of the P. O. E. U. S. G. and is a member of the W. O. M. A. and the I. O. O. F.

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### Farewell Sermon Woodland Church

Rev. Thomas Horner will deliver his farewell sermon at Woodland Church, near B. F. Grady on Sunday, October 29th at 11 a.m. Everyone is invited to attend.

### Soil Fumigation

A special soil fumigation demonstration will be held at L. F. Jones, 3 miles north of B. F. Grady school Friday morning Oct. 27 at 10 a.m. Nemetodes (big roots) is causing heavy losses in tobacco in the county. This demonstration will show a method of controlling big root on highly infested soil. The public is invited to attend this field meeting.

### County Court Cracks Down On Delinquents

Clerk of Court R. V. Wells went to work this week calling in all county court delinquents who are delinquent in payment of fines and court costs. About 125 persons were listed to pay up or be committed to the roads. Mr. Wells said, these cases have been accumulating over a period of three years and court officials including Judge West, Solicitor Grady Mercer and Clerk Wells decided several weeks ago it was time to do something about it. Solicitor Mercer said they decided to wait until crops were mostly in when folks would have money so they could pay off. Monday Judge West ordered Mr. Wells to begin issuing capiases to those who did not show up to settle their accounts. Sheriff Jones' deputies were kept busy all day Monday serving capiases and the clerk's office was kept busy taking in money. Mr. Wells said the procedure would continue until every last case was cleaned up. Three or four chose to accept their road sentences rather than pay up and were immediately committed to jail.

It's better late than never, they say. Many are predicting that incoming Judge Phillips will not allow cases to pile up in this manner. Judge Phillips is not the "stern old judge" type who feels no mercy but he is business-like enough to believe in keeping bills paid-up his friends say. This might serve as a warning to those who in the future anticipate meeting with the court to have their pocket book ready. Such is the belief of many friends of Judge Phillips. And, Solicitor Mercer says that the longer he serves as solicitor the better qualified he becomes in prosecuting and warns those expecting to come up not to expect the court to handle them too lightly.

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### HALLOWEEN TIME IN DUPLIN

It's Halloween Time in Duplin and witches and goblins are on the run. Young and old alike will be enjoying themselves at halloween carnivals. Tonight (Thursday) Kenansville folk will frolic at the annual party at the school house, which will be highlighted by an election of a beauty queen from the local school. Friday night Beulaville and Grady communities will enjoy their carnival at their respective schools. At Beulaville carnivals and hot dogs will be served at Grady's school house.

### Rose Hill Baptists To Dedicate Church

The Baptists of Rose Hill will dedicate a \$90,000 debt-free edifice Sunday, October 29th with the Rev. J. Clyde Turner of Raleigh delivering the dedicatory sermon. The new church, planned for several years, was begun in the fall of 1947. Sunday will also be Homecoming for the church that was organized in 1900. Rev. J. V. Case is pastor.



**JUDGE JEFF D. JOHNSON** of Clinton who last Saturday was nominated for member of the North Carolina Supreme Court bench. Judge Johnson will be elected in the general election on November 7th. Read Capital Reporter on editorial page for details surrounding the naming of Judge Johnson as the Democratic candidate. Duplin County endorsed Judge Johnson.

### Revival Service Here Next Sunday

Revival services planned for Grove Presbyterian Church in Kenansville have been changed. The services will be held this coming week, beginning Monday night, October 30 and continuing through Sunday night, November 5. Services will begin at 7:30 each evening except Sunday at which time they will begin at 8:30.

The Rev. M. C. MacQueen, pastor of Graves Memorial Presbyterian Church, Clinton, as previously announced, will be the guest minister. This is an opportunity to hear a good preacher that none should miss. All are invited.

### Halloween Carnival Beulaville Tonight

The Beulaville PTA is sponsoring a Halloween Carnival Friday night, October 27 at the school. Beginning at 6 p.m. a barbecue supper will be served in the lunch room, also hot dogs and drinks. In the lunch room will be a fish pond, ghost house, and fortune telling.

In the lobby of the auditorium will be a "grab bag". At 8:00 o'clock the program will begin. A Baby Contest will be held and a prize awarded the winner. Popularity Contest and crowning of the Queen, Talent Contest, Fashion Show, followed by a program from the grammar grades which will include a play, a skit, and a song.

### Awarded Degree

Among 152 students awarded B. S. degrees by The School of Business Administration of the University of North Carolina was William E. Brewer of Pink Hill.

### Annual Masonic Sermon Sunday

The annual Masonic sermon will be delivered to Kenansville and visiting Masons and friends in the Kenansville Baptist church Sunday morning, October 28th at 11 o'clock. Rev. Lloyd Vernon of Mt. Olive will preach. There will be a special communication of the St. John's Lodge at the Lodge Building at 10:30. The public is invited to the worship.

### Cotton Ginners Directors Oppose Export Curbs

The Board of Directors of the National Cotton Ginners Association in Memphis, Tenn., Saturday, Oct. 14 went on record as opposing the recent curb on exports as announced by the Secretary of Agriculture. It was their opinion that the curbs will greatly damage the foreign market for American cotton, and has seriously damaged the income from the present cotton crop because of the recent decline in the cotton market. The National Association adopted a resolution asking that the cotton supply situation be reviewed immediately and that full explanation be presented to the cotton farmers of America. The National Association is made up of the several State Ginners Associations.

### 5 1/2 lb SWEET POTATO

Stephen Batchelor of near Magnolia brought to the Times office Monday afternoon a porta rico sweet potato weighing 5 1/2 pounds. It was a solid, perfect potato. He said it was grown by Sam Holmes in Albertson township.

### New Homes in Kenansville

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Wood expect to move into their new home in Kenansville before much longer. Carpenters are on the finishing end of the house and painters are at work. The new home is located between the Cooper house and the Faison McGowen home. Work is moving along on the L. F. Weeks home being constructed next to the Albert O'Leary home. Mr. Weeks' work will be after

### Kenansville Lions Plan Annual Turkey Shoot Here Saturday, November 18

The Kenansville Lions Club in regular semi-monthly meeting here Wednesday night decided to stage another turkey shoot in Kenansville on Saturday, November 18th. A committee was appointed to work out details and see that plenty of turkeys are available for all who wish to take part. The turkey shoot was started by the Lions here two years ago and has proven a popular shooting match each fall. The contestants not only enjoy the fun but goes home with a nice turkey for Thanksgiving dinner. Next week's Times will give details of the plans. The Lions also decided to do something this year in the way of placing an attractive Christmas display on the courthouse lawn. A committee composed of Colon Holland, Oliver Stokes, Roy Sitterson and Halley Daughtry were named to begin work on plans. Guests of the club and it is hoped future members were Jesse Brown of Maxwell and Wilbert Jones of Sarecta.

### Duplin Jews Join United Jewish Appeal; Drive For Developing Funds Now On

The annual United Jewish Appeal drive for funds to carry on the work of developing the Jewish national home in Palestine got underway this week. County chairman for the drive is E. R. Ackerman of Wallace. Roy Carter has again accepted the post of Christian chairman. Mr. Ackerman said, and Harry Kramer will assist the chairman during the drive. The Duplin quota has been set at \$5,000. Contributions may be given to Harry Kramer or Roy Carter. Although a solicitation committee has been appointed, they will not find time to see everybody personally. Mr. Ackerman said, and the committee will depend largely upon the generosity of unsolicited donors. In announcing the drive, Mr. Kramer said: "There are thousands of Jews in Eastern Europe who are still homeless, and who desire to go to the state of Israel. It costs about \$1,000 for each person for transportation and rehabilitation. Your donation not only serves a great charitable purpose, but in giving you aid in fulfilling the Scriptures in bringing this land back to milk and honey."

Jesus, Paul, and all the prophets of the Bible. "This drive has the backing of all active Christian leaders."

### Quad-County Teachers Meet In Richlands

The Home Economics teachers of Duplin, Onslow, Pender, and Sampson counties met in Richlands recently and discussed the work of the F.H.A. Mrs. Clara Reid, F.H.A. Advisor, teacher of Home Ec at Richlands, was hostess and speaker to the group. Mrs. Reid gave many helpful suggestions concerning the F.H.A. After the business session Mrs. Reid served refreshments, using the Halloween theme. The next meeting is scheduled for Nov. 15 in Clinton. Mrs. Christine Waters, hostess. The program

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