

Legion Head To Visit North Carolina

Eric Cocks, Jr. of Dawson, Ga., unanimously elected National Commander at the Los Angeles national convention, will make his first visit as the Legion's chief, to North Carolina where he will address a meeting of the 10th District in Sanford on December 1.

Cocks is to speak in the high school auditorium following a full day of activities which will include a parade, a part of the usual Christmas festival, crowning of the beauty queen and a banquet. All North Carolina Legionnaires are invited to attend the entire program in Sanford and are especially invited to be present at 8 o'clock to hear the Commander's address.

Declaring that "ours is a fighting job," Commander Cocks accepted the American Legion's highest office, pledging to pursue a program of "peace through strength."

Commander Cocks, a 29-year-old veteran of World War II and the youngest National Commander of the American Legion, survived a Nazi firing squad to lead the nation's veterans in their determination to protest and preserve the fruits of their victory.

Decorated with the silver star, the purple heart with clusters, the bronze star and other citations, he



ERIC COCKE, JR.
Dawson, Georgia
National Commander
The American Legion

has received national acclaim as a business and agricultural leader in his home state of Georgia.

He demonstrated his ability and determination as chairman of the National Security Commission in the American Legion's fight for Universal Military Training. He brings the same determination and the same engaging smile to his new Post as Legion National Commander.

Sam Byrd's Charleston Drama Makes Big Hit; Sell Out Crowds Attend

Sam Byrd, author, producer and actor in "The Duplin Story" has staged a second hit in the field of pageants. His latest "For Those Who Live In The Sun" went over in a big way in Charleston, S. C. over the Thanksgiving holidays.

The following clipping from the Charleston Evening Post, was received by the Times from Margaret Neeson, publicity director.

LAST NIGHT PLAY
By Belvin Hayes

Sam Byrd holds a mirror up to the Jews of Charleston and paints a dramatic picture of the import of the Jews on the history of Charleston in his Bicentennial production, "For Those Who Live In The Sun," which opened for a five-day run at the Dock Street theater last night.

A capacity house, after expressing approval with spontaneous bursts of applause, saw a cast of more than 160 go through 16 dramatic scenes with a minimum of miscegenation and a wealth of ability.

Briefly the production centers around a Bavarian displaced family named Schuman who are to come to America under the sponsorship of a Charleston merchant, Mr. Byrd, who plays an allied officer, tells them of the part the Jews have played in the life of Charleston and his stories are illustrated by following scenes.

The pageant, for no other description can fit the production, is set in scenes, designed by Corwin Rife, that are more often than not, breathtaking in their impact and contain such dramatic effects as

gunfire and a burning city. The lighting effects go far to make the pageant the most entertaining this reviewer has seen on the local stage.

With a cast of such magnitude, it is impossible to give personal mention to all who so deserve and it should suffice to say that without exception, the acting was exceptionally well done.

However, the scenes best remembered for the acting of the principals are those which picture Penina Moise, blind poetess, played by Elizabeth Malloch Davis, in her coming street home, who hesitates to leave her beloved and burning city though smoke from the spreading fire has entered the room; The Moses Lindo scene, set on the waterfront in which Murray Bennett plays the English Jew who came to Charleston to aid the colonists in their indigo experiments; The Union station scene in which Sam Turteltaub goes off to World War I to lose his life, and the last dramatic scene in which the rabbi, played by Gus Pearlman, preaches the victory sermon on the Sabbath after V-J Day.

For drama, we unhesitatingly chose the scene in which Francis Salvatore, the first Jew to die for his country, is killed in a swampy ambush by Indians. For comedy, the Purim ball scene in which A. Robbins, the clown, lives up to his reputation as "America's Funniest Man."

Mr. Byrd calls on his long experience in acting, writing and production.

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Baby Specialist Talks In Calypso

"This is an attempt to create a greater and more wide-spread interest in the care, management and training of children, so that we may slow down or even reduce the number of cases of mental unrest which too often lead to behavior problems in childhood, juvenile delinquency in adolescence and criminality in adults — or to nervousness or even insanity."

With this opening statement, a prominent Wilmington baby specialist, Dr. A. McR. Crouch, Sr., began a speech to members of the Calypso Parent-Teachers Association there Monday night, Nov. 20.

The noted physician averred "that the mental environment of the child is created by the mother or the nurse. That is her responsibility and her opportunity. The conduct of the child must be the criterion of her success."

Dr. Crouch said "if things go wrong, if there is constant crying or ungovernable temper, if sleep and food are persistently refused, or if there is undue timidity and fearfulness, there is danger that seeds may be sown from which nervous disorders will spring in the future."

He reminded parents and teachers that more than one-half a million United States citizens are confined to mental institutions and it is estimated that the people now living, more than 10,000,000 will during their lifetime need to be committed to a mental institution.

Dr. Crouch said a child with a "mind at rest" is the most valuable asset life can have. He added "a child with a mind at rest is the most valuable asset parents can have. If the environments were improved to help parents to live better lives, be more considerate of each other, be more temperate in their discussions, stay home more with the children, give more thought to the care of the mind and less to the body, the result will be a mind at rest."

He concluded his address by emphatically asking the question: "Are we willing to pay the price?"

SONG HIT

Well, "The Little Dutchman" has struck it rich! Charles Newman of Pink Hill wrote a song in 1949 while serving in the Army. The song is entitled "No One To Cry Over Me". He sent the song to Hollywood, Calif., for the fun of it, and the motion picture industry sent him a contract. He is now under contract with Columbia Recording Studios in Hollywood. The song will be on sale in December.

H. D. Club Officers To Meet Burgaw

Miss Verna Stanton and Mrs. Mary L. McAllister will hold a training school for Home Demonstration club officers in Burgaw December 6, at 10 a.m. in the Court Room of the courthouse. This meeting is to be held for Duplin and Pender County Officers. The purpose is to train officers in their duties so that we may have better Home Demonstration Club meetings.

Each Duplin club officer is asked to pack a small lunch to take so that so much time will not be spent eating lunch since Burgaw does not have facilities for feeding large crowds. The ladies in Pender will serve coffee to go with lunches.

Transportation will be provided Duplin ladies that do not have transportation of their own. Contact Miss Clontz, Home Agent.

Famous Orchestra At Kinston Dance

The Kinston Civitan Club is sponsoring a round dance in the old Knott's Warehouse in Kinston on Tuesday night, Dec. 5th from 9 'til one o'clock. The famous Gene Krupa orchestra will play. Purpose of the dance is to raise funds for a project to test hearing in school children on a continuing basis so that every child will have the benefit of good hearing. The project is an expensive one, says M. S. Van Hecke, the necessary machines and audiometer costs in the neighborhood of \$1,000. Every one who likes dancing and good music is invited to attend and the safe time they can have.

New Optometrist



Dr. John M. Daly, Jr., above was awarded the degree of Doctor of Optometry and B.S. in Visual Optics upon his recent graduation from Northern Illinois College of Optometry, Chicago, Ill. Dr. Daly is a graduate of Granger High School in Kinston and completed pre-optometry study in his junior year at Wake Forest College. His wife is the former Lois Frances Swindell of Greenville and they have one daughter, Mariah Frances. Their permanent home is in Warsaw, where Dr. Daly will soon open his office for the practice of Optometry. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Daly of Kinston.

Duplin Choirs Be Guests Of Local Folks On Dec. 5

The Kenansville members of the Duplin Story Choir are entertaining all other members and members of the Duplin County Choir from all over the County at a Turkey Dinner on December 5, 1950, at 7 p.m. in the Kenansville School Lunchroom.

Immediately after dinner there will be a meeting of all members of both choirs, at which time it will be decided what disposition will be made of the Choir's share of the surplus from the 1950 production of the Duplin Story. This will be the first meeting of the Duplin County Choir for 1951. All members of both choirs are cordially invited and urged to attend.

Faison Seniors To Present Play

The Faison Seniors are now in fine shape to present their play "When Irish Eyes Are Smiling" at 7:30 p.m. Friday, December 1st. The play is an Irish comedy given by special arrangement with Walter H. Baker Co. upon payment of a \$10 royalty. It is an excellent plot, plenty of pathos but ends happily — but with a tug at the heart strings like the song by the same name.

Your are cordially invited to attend this fine production.

BILL KORNEGAY IN LEADING ROLE

Bill Kornegay will play the leading role in Gastonia's Little Theatre production of "Laura," which will be given December 11-12-13. This play was taken from the novel "Laura" by Vera Casperly from which the movie "Laura" was also made.

Bill's role will be that of Waldo Lyndecker, which was played by Clifford Webb in the movie.

Mr. Kornegay is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Kornegay. He attended Warsaw Grammar School and two years of high school after which he entered N. C. University where he was a member of the Carolina playmakers. He received his B.A. in History in 1949, and is for the second year a faculty member of the Arlington High School in Gastonia.

A & P STORE HOURS

A. & P. Tea Company in Warsaw calls attention to its store hours now being observed. Mr. Armstrong, manager, says that some folks are a little confused on the hours. On Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays the store opens at 8:30 a.m. and closes at 8:00 p.m. On Wednesdays is open at 9:00 a.m. and closes at 1:00 p.m. On Saturdays the store is open at 9:00 a.m. and closes at 1:00 p.m.

Universalist Ladies To Hold Institute Day In Kinston

The North Carolina Association of Universalist Women will have their Institute Day in the Kinston Universalist Church on Saturday, Dec. 2, 1950. Mrs. W. C. Grady, State President, will call the meeting to order at 10 o'clock. Mrs. Lottie Berger of Outlaw's Bridge Church will have charge of the devotion. Miss Virginia Ward of Wilmington will give a report of the National Conference held in Washington, D. C. in October.

Mrs. Maud B. Foy will be the main speaker for the morning session using the topic "Parliamentary Procedure." Mrs. W. S. Skeels of Rocky Mount will sing a special number and Mrs. Steve Wilkins will give a reading.

At 2:30 the afternoon session will start with Miss Susan Waller of Kinston speaking on "Travel and Work While in Germany with Youth Caravan." "Blest Be the Tie That Binds" will be used as the closing hymn.

The public is invited to any or all of the program. Lunch will be served at the noon hour.

Duplin Industry Subject Of Talks

The industrial potentialities and future of Duplin county are slated to be aired when Duplin mayors and other interested citizens meet Friday with Paul Kelly of the State department of Conservation and Development.

Kelly will lead discussions on how Duplin can attract more industry and what the county has to offer. Aubrey Cavanaugh, C&D board member said the subject would receive thorough study.

The meeting will be held in a Warsaw cafe at 7:30 Friday night, Cavanaugh said.

Announcement of the session was made shortly at the meeting last week of J. P. Stevens and Co., which gave plans for a modern textile plant to be located in Wallace.

Friday's meeting, Cavanaugh said, will many advanced plans and suggestions for compiling a complete account of available resources in Duplin, which officials believe will determine the industrial future of the county.

Magnolia Baptists Hold Anniversary

The Anniversary services at the Baptist Church Sunday, Nov. 19th in Magnolia were well attended and much enjoyed. The pastor, Rev. J. P. Royal gave the three messages, morning, afternoon and night. In the afternoon the Lord's Supper was observed and special music. At the night service Mr. Royal baptized sixteen candidates, seven for Concord Church, two for New Hope and seven for Magnolia. A large delegation from Concord and New Hope attended the night service.

At noon a sumptuous dinner was served.

Among those who attended the day services from out of town were Mr. and Mrs. Milton Parker, and Mrs. Lena Maxwell of Hopewell, Va., Mrs. Sudie Parker of Kennedy Home, Kinston, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Jones of New Bern, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Martino of Fayetteville.

Cold Weather Hits

Duplin and Eastern Carolina suffered its coldest weather in several winters last week end when the thermometer shot down to near 15 degrees on Saturday night following heavy snow fall during the day. Little snow stuck because of preceding rains. The youngsters enjoyed watching it fall but were denied the pleasure of making snow men. Some say Duplin has already had more real winter weather this year than we had all of last winter. Some prognosticators around here say watch out for more snow and sleet before December 20th.

BLOODSHED BOXSCORE

On N. C. Highways
Killed Nov. 24-27
Injured same dates
Killed thru Nov. 27, 1950
Killed thru Nov. 27, 1949
Killed thru Nov. 27, 1948
Killed thru Nov. 27, 1947



1ST. LT. LENWOOD SMITH

A Pink Hill soldier, Lenwood Smith, has come up through the ranks quite a way since he enlisted in the Army in 1939. Smith, now 1st. Lieut. Smith, is the son of Mrs. Maggie Smith of Pink Hill. He recently received his latest promotion at Schevabich Hall, Germany, his present station. He has been in Europe for 18 months and has his wife, the former Pansy Pierce of Marlow, Okla., his son, Larry Lynn, 7, and an infant daughter, Linda Diane, with him. The latter was born in Germany. During World War II, Smith was a sergeant, serving two years in the European area.

Week Of Prayer In Baptist Church

The Week of Prayer for World Missions and Lottie Moore Christmas Offering will be observed in a different way than ever before here.

On Monday night, Dec. 4 the Sunbeams will give their program, and make their offering in little stockings hanged on a little Christmas tree, Miss Macy Cox Leader.

Tuesday night The Royal Ambassadors led by Pastor Royal will give their program and make an offering.

Wednesday night The G.A.s led by Mrs. Paul Tucker will give their program and offering.

On Thursday night the Y. W. A. led by Miss Macy Cox will give their program and offering.

On Friday night the W. M. S. will give their program and offering. Mrs. J. E. Hamilton is president of the WMS.

Don't Forget — you are invited.

Bids Received On Highway 11

Bids were received in Raleigh Tuesday for the repaving and widening of highway 11 from Kenansville to Pink Hill, 15.01 miles of grading, paving and structures. Roadway contract bid was received from E. H. Hines Construction Co. in Greenville, S. C., \$350,520.50; structures, Wilson Construction Co. Inc., Salisbury, \$161,467.80; moving buildings, E. H. Hines Construction Co., Greenwood, S. C., \$3,725. The bids are expected to be approved and work got underway in a few weeks.

L. F. Weeks Attends Chicago Agents Convention

Duplin County Lacy F. Weeks, recently elected President of the Southeastern District of the North Carolina Agents' Association, left on Friday to attend the National Convention in Chicago of County Agents being held Nov. 27 and 28.

The National Convention is the main event in the County Agent organization. The State Board of Directors serve as delegates to the convention. North Carolina is divided into six districts with a President of each, who with the State President form the State Board.

Mr. Weeks drove to Chicago with County Agents C. B. Morgan of Granville County; Charlie Overman, Chowan Co.; and Charlie Clark, Onslow Co.

Agent Weeks before becoming President had served two years as Vice President of the N. C. Southeastern District. He is now serving as State Chairman of the Public Relations Committee and is a member of the National Committee of the Association.

Free Public Bible Lecture In Beulaville Sunday

"TRUE RICHES — HOW OBTAINED?" is the subject of a free public Bible discourse to be delivered this Sunday, Dec. 3, at 2:00 p.m. in the Model Theatre, Beulaville. The speaker will be G. B. Miller, ordained minister from Brooklyn, N. Y., and this free public Bible talk will climax a week-long visit with Jehovah's witnesses in this area.

Mr. Miller has been working with Jehovah's witnesses in eastern North Carolina for more than two years, and will soon take a course of training at the Watchtower Bible School of Gilead in New York preparatory to missionary service in foreign lands.

The public discourse is part of a world wide home Bible educational work now sponsored by Jehovah's witnesses to encourage more study of the Bible in private homes of persons of all beliefs. While the witnesses have central meeting places yet most of their preaching activities is carried on from house to house.

The non-denominational Bible educational work of Jehovah's witnesses has spread all over the earth and is now carried on in 208 different lands by more than 875,000 active ministers. They are said to be one of the fastest growing Bible educational organizations of modern times.

The witnesses firmly believe that we are now living in "the last days" and that the destructive powers of God will soon sweep through the earth to completely annihilate all forms of wickedness. That total world destruction is called the "Battle of Armageddon," and only the righteous will be saved from its fury.

Putting this belief into action, the witnesses have set forth on a well-organized campaign throughout the earth to warn all people about this coming world calamity. Thus, they call upon rich and poor alike, educated and illiterate, and persons of all nationalities and backgrounds.

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Deer Hunting In Pa.

Percy E. Byrd of Faison left on Friday afternoon for New London, Pa. where he joined his sons on a deer hunting trip in the mountains Monday and Tuesday. He will also visit his daughter in Delaware City, Del. while away. He will return on Saturday.

County Agents District Meeting

The County Agents of Duplin will be out of the county Tuesday to attend a Tide Water District Meeting in Wilmington. Thirteen counties will form the district. Representing Duplin are: L. F. Weeks, V. H. Reynolds, Misses Alta Lawson and Hilda Clontz.

Local Lions To Play Basketball

The local Lions Club at its regular dinner meeting last week voted to schedule a basketball game between the club members and the Kenansville FFA. The game will be played some time in January at the Kenans Memorial Auditorium.

Visitors at the club dinner were Lions E. R. Ackerman, Alton Thompson and Earl Faries of the Wallace club. Following the meeting Zone Chairman Ackerman of Wallace met with officers of the local club.

The Lions voted to decorate the courthouse square with a Christmas scene and Leon Colon Holland was placed in charge of this project. The scene has been ordered and is expected to be erected some time next week.

Beulaville Lions Clear \$174.00

The Beulaville Lions Club cleared \$175 Saturday before Thanksgiving in their first Turkey Dinner. The check was held west of town and several hundred people were present.

Amateur Night Is Held At B. F. Grady

The Athletic Association of the B. F. Grady School held Amateur Night at the school on Friday Nov. 24. Mr. Billy Smith was master of ceremonies. A small admission fee was charged at the door to benefit the association.

Loses \$1300.00

Hubert Brown, local barber was minus \$1300 in cash, according to reports here a few days ago, when he discovered his bill fold was missing. Mr. Brown thinks he laid it down some place and called to find it gone. He then has been turned over to the police.