

Superior Court

A two weeks term of Superior Court will convene here Monday, April 7th. Judge Q. K. Nims of Fayetteville will preside.

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PRICE TEN CENTS

Eastern Carolina Looking Forward To Wilmington's Azalea Festival Next Thursday Through Sunday

WILMINGTON, N. C., Mar. 17.—The Fifth Annual Azalea Festival will great Spring's sudden parade of color across the Carolinas low country in Wilmington, where more than a million azaleas "come before the swallow dars," on March 27-30.

First and most breathtaking of all the Festival's attractions are the azaleas themselves, vibrant crimson, magenta, purple, pink, lavender and white masses of glowing floral splendor in the famed gardens of Greenfield Lake, Airlie Gardens, Orton Plantation and throughout the area. More than 100,000 persons came to see them last year when the Festival climaxed the season.

Greenfield, Airlie and Orton are the chief show places for the Festival, with their moss-draped cypress and liveoaks, camellias, roses, wisteria and dogwood, besides the ever-present masses of blooming azaleas.

Among the attractions at Orton are its mansion, a stately example of ante-bellum architecture standing white among its formal gardens. Airlie Gardens, designed by a gardener of the late German Kaiser, are viewed from a lengthy scenic drive that goes over old bridges and under stately liveoaks as it winds among the formal and natural gardens.

Present to enjoy and augment the Festival's attractions will be a host of national celebrities in sports, radio, screen, music and other fields.

North Carolina's Governor W. Kerr Scott will be here. So will members of the State Board of Conservation and Development, the State Highway Commission and the Eastern North Carolina Press association. These three organizations will hold their Spring meetings in Wilmington to coincide with the Festival.

Beauty will be represented in the yet-to-be-selected persons of Queen Azalea V, a young motion picture actress; Miss Lu Long Ogburn, current Miss North Carolina and third-place winner at Atlantic City last year; a court of at least 10 May Queens from the state's major colleges and universities; a Wilmington Teen-Age Princess and her attendants from almost a score of Eastern North Carolina counties.

Sports?

There'll be the annual \$10,000 PGA Azalea Open Golf tournament on the noted Cape Fear country club course, a major link in golfdom's golden circuit. Expected to be arrowing them at the Cape Fear course are Lloyd Mangrum, 1961 title defender, Henry Faison, who won in 1948, Dutch Harrison who won in 1950, Jim Ferrier, Ed Furgol, Jim Turnesa and their noted rivals in the fast professional leagues.

More sports? Well, you'll have Otto Graham, one of the greatest college and professional football players ever to don shoulder-pads. And you'll have that legendary hero of the South's gridiron wars, Charlie "Choo-Choo" Justice. Both Otto and Choo-Choo are playing return engagements at the Festival.

You'll get the native music of the hills and pine forests in the folk music festival slated at the Legion Stadium in Wilmington. Arthur Smith, CBS "King of the Hill Billies" will head up the program.

Radio? You'll have Harry Wimmer, top sports commentator, to fill in the nation on what's going on in Wilmington; Ted Malone, beloved roving reporter and story teller; a queen from Mutual's Queen for a Day Hollywood program; the cast of the Mutual program "Take a Number" and Mutual's youthful cowboy Bobby Benson.

Radio programs from the Festival will radiate from the Festival to all quarters of the country. First, there'll be the broadcast of the "Take a Number" show. Then Ted Malone will broadcast from City Hall, and Harry Wimmer will report on the golf tournament.

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Five Jars Down And Four To Go

Norman Bryant and his sister, Beatrice, colored, were caught with five jars of whiskey in Rose Hill Township for purpose of sale over the weekend. Also five other jars with a small quantity in them were seized. Deputies O. A. Horne and W. O. Houston made the arrest. They were both placed in jail.

Spring Weather And Then Snow And Spring Today

Spring weather one day, snow the next and finally comes spring! That is exactly what we have been having. On last Friday people were walking on the streets in their short sleeves, but Saturday morning it was cold and soon large snow flakes were falling. They fell until mid-afternoon. Everyone was excited even though it only stuck in a few places, and melted within a short time.

Some damage was done to early blooming peach trees, one farmer estimated. The cold weather was not considered of long enough duration to hurt the fruit, by general opinion.

And today, March 20th, just five days after the snow, Spring makes its official debut. Youngsters are springing around in short sleeves; on the school grounds you see them squatting around in circles shooting marbles, and no doubt if you look in the woods behind the school house at recess time you will see the toys slipping off their shoes.

CP&L Declares Stock Dividends

Raleigh, March 18.—Carolina Power & Light Company has declared dividends of \$1.25 per share on preferred stock and 50 cents per share on common stock, it was announced today by G. J. Curry, secretary of the company. Preferred dividends are payable April 1 to stockholders of record March 10; common stock dividends are payable May 1 to stockholders of record April 10.

Public Health News

The Health Department of Duplin County wishes to advise the public of the dangers of Rabies and request the cooperation of all citizens.

Rabies is a serious disease among human, cattle, dogs and cats etc. A virus is its cause. Dogs and cats and foxes commonly spread this disease by biting other animals. It is very serious when once developed. There is no known cure. Prevention is our hope. Vaccination and control of dogs are our best means of human control of this disease.

Dr. Phillips of Wallace, N. C. is the County Rabies Controller. He will hold vaccination clinics over the county in the near future. Posters giving the place and date will be displayed in public places. By John F. Powers, M.D. Health Officer

Twenty-five to thirty per cent of the adults in the U. S. are overweight.

New Stud Manager For Local Breeders

Breeders Service stud at Asheboro. This ABS stud furnishes semen to the local association.

Dr. Elliott graduated from Ohio University with a major in Dairy Husbandry, received his PH. D. from Cornell, and assisted Dr. S. A. Andell of Cornell, in teaching and research in the physiology of reproduction. He left Cornell to become Director of the Livestock Project of the Near East Foundation. The core of his work was the establishment of artificial breeding of dairy cattle in Greece. Prior to his work at Storrs, he was Associate Professor at North Carolina State College.

Dr. Elliott replaces Mat Dietrick who has been promoted to Operations Manager of the six American Breeders Service studs.

Coastal Cooperative Breeders Association will retain Mat Dietrick who had served them so well, however they extend a warm welcome to Dr. Elliott and know a sum of his experience will be of immense help to them with their breeding program.

Candidate



J. S. BLAIR

Wallace business man who is candidate for the House of Representatives from Duplin County. This is Mr. Blair's first venture in county politics. Although not a native of Duplin he has been here so long that he "belongs," he says. Mr. Blair was reared in Marshville, Union County. He graduated from the University of North Carolina and first came to Duplin in 1926. He was principal of the Magnolia schools in 1926-27 and Wallace schools from 1927 to 1937. Leaving Wallace he went to Bladen County where he was county superintendent of schools from 1937 to 1945. He then returned to Wallace and opened Leasing Motors, Dodge auto agency.

He is married to the former Margaret Blackney of Monroe. They have three sons: Matt P., a dentist in New Bern; Ernest to the Marines; Lt. Pauline Island; Dr. J. S. Blair, Jr. of Wallace and Houston L. Wallace, manager of the Wallace Implement Company. He is a member past Master of the Wallace Lion Past Consular of the Woodmen of the World and Vice-president of Wallace Associates. A steward in the Methodist church, member of the Wallace Town Board, he teaches the men's Bible class.

The family of Mr. and Mrs. Walter J. Smith held open house at the home of their daughter and son-in-law Mr. and Mrs. J. F. May in Pink Hill, Sunday March 9th from 3:30 until 5:30 o'clock in honor of their 60th wedding anniversary.

Guests were greeted at the door by Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Smith who invited them into the living room where Mr. and Mrs. May introduced them to the honored couple. Guests were then directed into the dining room by Mr. and Mrs. W.M. Rivenbark, Jr. and Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Patterson, where they were served punch by Mrs. J. B. Southerland assisted by Mrs. Horace Smith and Mrs. R. J. Smith. Mints, cheese straws, sunbursts, and salted nuts were served by the granddaughters, Misses Margaret Ann Carr, Ann May, Frances Jean Patterson, and Shirley Simmons, and Mrs. Charles Nash and Richard Stroud.

A color scheme of green and white was carried out in the decorations. The table was covered with a handsome cut work linen cloth and centered with a lovely arrangement of white snapdragons, carnations and maiden hair fern.

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A Great Vision Becomes A Reality

Committee For Good Government In Duplin Organized; Rev. Poston Chairman

Nearly 75 persons gathered in the Court House here Sunday afternoon and organized the Duplin County Unit of the Citizens Committee for Good Government. The organization is sponsored by the State Baptists and Rev. E. E. Poston, pastor of the Wallace Baptist Church, was named chairman.

Rev. T. E. Williams, noted Kentucky minister, addressed the gathering.

The nominating committee, composed of C. E. Quinn, Rev. A. L. Brown, and Rev. A. D. Wood, Matthew Teachey, John Warren and

lectual abilities while hiding any more obvious ones. Oh brother, I get my come-uppance on both scores. Wednesday night a family of mice moved into my head and spent the next four days and nights moving furniture from wall to wall, not failing to drop any heavy piece with a sickening thud. And the dear little viruses decided they would teach me with a vengeance not to be so darned superior and hoity-toity about my immunity to influenza; they would put on a show with all the bells and whistles and relegate me to

my proper place in short order, in this case, send me to bed aching and repentant. Objective accomplished. I won't catalogue all my aches and pains. Suffice it to say that I found where each bone in my body was joined to every other bone. As soon as one place stopped aching, another would begin. Then a new variation would occur as each extreme would hurt followed by several intermediate ones simultaneously. I felt miserable. I was miserable. Come Friday I could hardly crawl out of bed. I was in no frame of mind to be impressed, with anything, certainly not taken in by any political facts or stories as matter how CONCLUDED ON BACK

day night. Maybe it was the Irish Mercer since it was St. Patrick's Day.

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The Solicitor Wins Checker Board Honors In Magnolia's St. Patrick's Day Contest

The Magnolia Lions Club sponsored a checker tournament Friday night, March 14, at the Magnolia Club Building. It cost \$1.00 to enter the tournament and 25¢ for spectators. Sixteen men entered. Homer Taylor and Stacy Evans played in the semi-finals. Stacy advanced to the finals. Grady Mercer of Beulaville took him on and romped him all over the board, finally winning in the finals Mon-

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MISS GLORIA DE HAVEN, beautiful motion picture actress who has been starred or featured in almost a score of Hollywood productions, will be Queen for a day of the 5th Wilmington Azalea Festival, March 27-30. Her maid of honor will be Miss Lu Long Ogburn, current Miss North Carolina, and her court will be composed of the May Queens or other pretty girls from a dozen major North Carolina colleges and universities.

60th WEDDING ANNIVERSARY



MR. AND MRS. WALTER J. SMITH

This was flanked by burning taper candles held in silver candlesticks. The three tiered wedding cake at one end and punch bowl at other completed the table arrangement.

Center Spring flowers were used with burning taper candles throughout the house.

Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Carr presided at the register.

Guests were said to Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Cindy of Wilson and Mr. and Mrs. Waldo Simmons of Goldsboro.

Approximately 120 guests attended during the afternoon.

All 14 children were present for the occasion. There are 21 grandchildren and 7 great-grandchildren.

Farmer Campbell



MRS. VALLEY CAMPBELL

Mrs. Valley Campbell, a young widow who lives just outside the town limits in Beulaville, won 9th place with 981 points in the "Better Farming For Better Living" contest sponsored by the Tide Water Power Co. and Wallace Lions Club in conjunction with the Farm Agent's office in Duplin County.

Mrs. Campbell is secretary to Mrs. Lacy Weeks, County Agent; Mr. V. H. Reynolds, assistant agent; Mrs. Alta Kornegay, County Home Agent, and Miss Betty Melvin, Assistant Home Agent. She and her mother, Mrs. Susan Turner live alone in their farm home.

For this contest Mrs. Campbell had to keep a complete record of her farming operation. Points could be secured for improvement on the home, land improvement, crop production, canning and freezing foods, community activities, yard improvement, and by any other means.

Mrs. Campbell put asbestos shingles siding on her home which is an old house, she didn't finish this completed, put asphalt roofing on house, had 9 acres of corn with soy beans growing in same field, 4 and 9-10 acres of tobacco with peanuts planted in house.

The beans and peanuts were produced to fatten hogs for home use. He had to use hired labor, and would have completed her house if labor hadn't been so hard to get. Miss Campbell said she could have completed more of her plans if she had known earlier that she was qualified to enter the contest.

The contest was begun on November 1st and the deadline was November 3 the following year. She didn't get started with her projects until last January. She plans to enter the contest again this year.

Mr. Campbell was singled out for distinction during the presentation of awards because she did her job single handed while other contestants worked in pairs.

A violent weekend with four shooting cases, one of them fatal, kept Duplin County sheriff's officers busy until early morning hours Monday.

Jesse Bryant, 38-year-old Magnolia Negro surrendered to Duplin Sheriff Ralph Jones, about 2 a.m. Monday morning after he had been sought in the shooting of his wife Sunday night.

On Friday night James Wells, Faison Negro, killed Buddy Armwood, of Faison, after an argument over women, Sheriff Jones said.

Willie White, a Negro of Beulaville, is accused of shooting Free-man Outlaw, another Negro, as Outlaw was molesting White's wife, Sheriff Jones said.

Frank Kenan of Albemarle was arrested for firing a gun into a car in which a man and his seven children were sitting Sunday. This case was settled Wednesday night after the warrant was withdrawn. Officers said Armwood was killed by a blast from a shotgun. In Faison, Wells and Armwood were arguing over women in a cafe when Wells left and went to his brother's home. Armwood followed and Wells shot him, killing him instantly, Sheriff Jones said. Deputy Perry Smith and Faison Police Murry Byrd trailed a truck Wells was driving 20 miles in Sampson County before he was apprehended. Wells is being held in jail pending a coroner's inquest. Bryant, who shot his wife, Dorothy, at his mother's home in Magnolia, gave himself up after fleeing to his sister's home in Newton Grove. His brother-in-law returned him to Kenansville. Bryant is now out under bond.

The Bryant woman is in critical condition in Sampson Memorial Hospital in Clinton from wounds in the right hand and the chest. Bryant had said that he and his wife had been quarreling and that she had left him. The woman was shot twice with a shotgun. Jones said.

The following is Bryan's confession:

"We never have got along together since we have been married. On Sunday, March 15, 1952, me and my wife left home and went to church. She told me she was going to leave me and go to her mother's after church and for me not to go after her. Me and Buster Boone rode around together thru church hour. When we went back to church, church was closed.

"Buckshot" and a girl rode me together since we have been married. We went back to my house, got my shot gun and went to her mother's house. The first one I saw was her mother. She told me to come in. I went in the house and my wife was sitting by the heater. I told my wife I had come there to hurt her but didn't want to kill her. I shot her with my shot gun and she fell in the floor. I shot another time after she fell but I didn't know where I hit her both times or not. I left there as quick as I could before she was taken to the doctor, and went to my sister's home at Newton Grove and carried my gun with me and told my sister what I had done. Then my sister's husband brought me to Kenansville where I was put in jail."

Outlaw was shot by White with a .22 caliber rifle loaded with scatter shot. White was brought to jail by Deputy Sheriffs Oliver Hornsby, Perry Smith and Herbert Summerlin. He is now out under bond.

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Set the time of future meetings. Decide how often to meet and for how long, and to find out what the farmers want to have information on.

If it is at all possible and you are interested in classes of this type, you should be present at this meeting.

W. L. McPhall, Jr. Vocational Agriculture Teacher Kenansville High School

Evening Classes For Adult Farmers Being Planned For Kenansville School District

An important meeting for Farmers in the Kenansville School District is scheduled for Friday night March 21 at 7:30 p.m. in the Agriculture classroom at