By J. R. GRADY

Your Times comes to you this seek a little more like it's old alf. As we explained last week are doing a little overhauling in the machinery department and he staff department. We have the reas going in tip top shape now ut the Linotype is still a little inguish. It is hoped that an anther week badly needed parts hat have been ordered will be see and the mechanical department will be going in ship shape arm. Incidentally the job press is oing at tops and we are not oveloaded with job printing. You serchants checks over your suplies and place orders now while are not rushed. You will save few dollars right now.

The Staff has undergone some tanges in recent weeks. Mrs. Sara wher, our most efficient Warsaw sporter has moved to Fayetteville at Mrs. Mattle Lee Minshow has placed her. Mrs. Minshow has placed her. Mrs. Minshow is riting the Warsaw news, accept-gaubscriptions and advertising the Times now. Give her a ring. Mrs. Maude Smith of Magnolia, he has been with the Times for out 16 months, has retured to its home to be with the rimes for out 16 months, has retured to re. Smith will continue to repsent the Times in Magnolia an visual, writing news, soliciting and job printing and taking becriptions.

Mrs. Clyde Potter, our top advertising rolleits and particular alleits and the continue to repsent the Times in Magnolia an visual properties and taking becriptions.

citims.

Clyde Potter, our top ading solicitor for over a year, one into the office for full work. She will continue hand-

time work. She will continue handling advertising and will take sver
the back work also, which was
handled by Mrs. Smith.

L. B. Braswell, our new Linotype
operator, is getting on to his new
job fine. He is slowly becoming
familiar with Duplin' names and
places which will enable him to
set type faster. So on the whole
the Times is about re-organized
and ready to settle down for another year's long journey of giving
you the top news and best advertising medium in Duplin Co. 1952
was an eventful year in Duplin.
Our county made headlines and
radio news throughout the state
and Eastern half of the nation.
Not all the news was good news.
We hope 1953 will continue with
good news of growth and development for Duplin County as is
being exemplified here tomorrow
when the contracts for our new
million dellar hospital and health
center plant will be let.

ization. He appealed to all the people of the County to do their part so the Drive will go over the tep in record fashion.

Cooperation of business firms, theatres, schools, and the public generally will be sought as it has

in the past. Every effort to put the Drive over will be made in this fight against poliomyelitis by reaching our quota. We are playing an important part in the fight against this dreaded di-

## To Let Duplin Hospital Contracts Here Tomorrow

Tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clck bids will be opened and contracts let for the first anit of Duplin's million dollar health program. The 50 bed, 34 million dollar hospital contracts will be let by the building committee of the hospital, comcontracts will be let by the building committee of the hospital, composed of J. O. Stokes, Chairman,
J. R. Grady, vice-chairman, Emmett Kelly Lee Brown and Harry
Kramer and approved by the Board
of County Commissioners. The
bads will be opened at two o'clock
by the Committee and following
their canvassing the full membership of the Board of Trustees and
the County Commissioners will
join the committee in awarding
the contracts. After they have
been awarded here they will be
forwarded to Raleigh and Washington for appreval. Actual work ton for approval. Actual work should get underway in a very short time, probably about the latter part of the month.

#### **Presbyterian Men In Meeting Here**

Ministers and Laymen from Presbyterian Churches in the Wilmington Presbytery, stretching from Mt. Olive to Wilmington and Elizabethtown to Morehead City met here Tuesday night for a dinner meeting and to discuss and launch a Challence Fund Campaign in the Wilmington Presbytery. Fred Little of Wilmington presided and talks were made by Leslie Boney and Humphrey Marsh all of Wilmington. Rev. L. A. Taylor, executive Secretary of the Presbytery also talked to the group.

#### V. A. Stancil is Iransterred

March Of Dimes Drive In Duplin

V. A. Stancil has been transferred to the Durham Life Insurance office in Kinston. He began work there on Monday January 5. He is staff manager with five men working under him. Mr. Stancil has been connected with this company in Warsaw for seven years. He and his family plan to move to Kinston in Jane.

The wife of Urjas, sings alto and the wife of the plano. Eva Mae is one of the nation' outstanding gospel planists. Her style of playing is unique and spectacular.

Doug Prater, bass singer for the Lefevres, joined the group in June 1951. Doug came from Montgomery, Alabama where he was affiliated for five and one half years with "The Harmony Boys Quartet"

County Will Start Next Week

funds and places a heavy burden

upon the National Polio Organiza

tion Treasury. The future epidemics, will continue to add to the number of afflicted patients, unless the disease is controlled, which will be an added financial re-

sponsibility to the already heavy load.

Oak Ridge Quartet Jan. 19



The Oak Ridge Quartet will pay their third visit to Duplin on Monday right, January 19th when they appear again in Kenan Memorial Auditorium under the sponsorship of Kenassville and Warsaw Lions Clubs. This time Wally Fowler brings with him the Lefevre Trio.

This outstanding vocal and instrumental group has broken all attendance records at church and stemptial converts all over the sent home is in Long Beach Cali-

outstanding vocal and in-mtal group has broken all ance records at church and cial concerts all over the country. Their regular radio program, originating in Atlanta, Ga, and featured on many radio stations, has endeared them to the hearts of countless thousands of hearis of countless thousands of loyal and devoted listeners.

The famous LeFevre Trio is known throughout the nation for its unusual rendition of gospel songs, Urins LeFevre plays the gui-tar and accordion and Eva Mae, the wife of Urias, sings alto and plays the piano. Eva Mae is one of the nation' outstanding gospel pi-anists. Her style of playing is uni-

Grady Mercer, Director to put on the Drive in their respective

communities. J. R. rady, Publicity Director for Duplin County, Byron

Teachey, will have charge of the White Schools in Dublin County

fornia. I am looking forward to many more happy years of Gospel Singing with the Famous Le Fev-

This group has been singing gos-pel music since they were children. They travel more than 50,000 miles per year bringing their gospel message in song to hundreds of thousands of delighted admirers. The LeFevre Trio is the same as Sun Crest Trio heard every Sunday afternoon over WRRZ in

Tickets are now on sale at the following places; Warsaw Drug Store, Kenansville Drug Store, Service Motor Co., Kenansville and Western Aute Store in Wallace. Advance tickets are \$1.00. Tickets at the door will be \$1.25.

# Umstead Presents Broad Program Legislature Today

## **Place Orders Early For Baling Wire** Fencing & Nails

Supplies of balling wire, nails and fencing materials may fall short of demand during 1953 unless sufficient orders are placed now to boost lagging mill output, the Duplin County Production and Marketing Administration Com-mittee cautioned farmers today.

"We have been advised that be-ginning is early September steel

mills began reporting empty space on their rolling schedules for bale ties, coiled baling wire, nails, woven wire fencing, netting, and barbed wire," says Mr. Warren Committee Chairman. "This situation has grown steadily worst. If orders sufficient to utilize full mill capacities are not placed very short ly, it is quite possible that shortages will occure next spring and

order to fill the expanding farm needs for these products it is nec-essary for the mills to operate at a near capacity the year around. This depends upon the extent to which orders on the mills are suf-ficient to utilize the available rolling capacty. Farmers can be particularly helpful in solving the pre sent situation by anticipating their needs for the coming crop season and either placing their orders immediately or advising their an ticipated requirements, says Mr. Warren. In this way the full demand can properly be gauged and provided for by distributors and the steel mills.

#### First Child

The first child born in 1953 in Parrott's Hospital in Kinston was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs Clarence Howard of Pink Hill. The newcomer arrived at 3:30 a.

## Negro Held For First Degree Murder "Damn You, I Don't Think You Are Dead, So I'll Hit You Again", and He Did

Grady Mercer, Director of the Po the problem of caring for thousands of pello lio Drive of Duplin County, announces that the March of Dimes Campaign to raise the \$12,600.00 afflicted with polio, and will have recovery by immedate March of Quota will get underway next week lives. The tremendous load of carrives. The following persons and or gantzation. He appealed to all the people of the County to do their part. At a coroner's hearing here last picked up an axe and hit Otto week Wm. Murphy colored, was ordered held in jail without priviledge of bond on a charge of first looked at him and remarked "damn degree murder and assault with intent to kill. Murphy is charged with the cold blooded axe slaying so I'll hit you again", and he did strike him in the head again with of Otto Matthews, another negro. the home of Tommie Powell in Newkirk is in a hospital in serious at the home of Tommie Powell in the Chairty community during a Christmas party on December 25. He also is charged with attempting White Schools in Dunin County
Windsor Johnson is in charge of
the Negro Division of the Polio
Drive, Rose Hill Woman's Club,
Mrs. D. J. Fussell, President, Wallace Sorisis Club Mrs. Sam Glascoe
President, Magnolia Civic Club,
Mrs. L. E. Pope, Sr., President,
Calypson Woman's Home Demonetestica Club, Mrs. Charlie Sloan.

the axe. Otto's brother, Walter Newkirk, is in a hospital in serious condition from a head wound allegedly inflicted at the hands of Murphy. Murphy is scheduled to to kill another person. According to officers Murphy admitted the killing. It was reported that he inal superior court here. be tried at the next term of crim-

## "Peanut" Scott Admits Rose Hill Earthquake Scare With T. N. T.

By MRS. CLEO FIELDS Gordon (Peanut) Scott, 30 years old, service station operator admitted Monday that he set off the mitted Monday that he set off the mysterious blast which rocked Rose Hill and vicinity on Thursday night. Scott told Mayor H. E. Latham and law enforcement officers that he set off three-quarters of a pound of TNT fired with fue and cap about 7:46 PM on January 1.

Scott's confession came after a lengthy investigation by Sheriff Ralph Miller, Deputy Bertis Fussell and S. B. I. Agent, James Bradshaw.

Mayor Latham said there was no smell of powder or dynamite in the air following the explosion it was reported a bright flame leaped into the air about 50 feet following the blast but no fire started. Houses within a large area were reported to have shook from the blast.

Scott has promised to make "full restitution" for damages caused by the blast and ask that damage claims be turned into Mayor Latham's office.

Scott, a World War II veteral, said he learned how to handle the explosive used when he was in the fafantry, but that it had "he erecand it's power", since he worked with it. He said he planned to give himself up in 1900, as the pranker who pay aff the explosive but decided he had better do so to officers, after furer

created by citizens actions.

It was decided from the beginning that the party or parties setting off the blast was an expert with previous experience or some one would have been killed.

Mayor Latham says, No charges have been preferred, but if he thought it were an action to have harmed some one or some thing he would certainly prosecute but it was a New Year's prank. Plaster and window panes were broken in buildings a block from the blast.

#### **Red Cross First Aid Courses**

A standard Red Cross First Aid Class was recently completed in the Kenandville Colored school at which time the following have received certificates; Elberta Brunson, Lila Cox, Pearline Faison, Wilhelminis Faison Ella Hall, Katie M. Janies, Hannah Kenan, Mary Ella Merritt Laura W. Middleton, Mary Belle Middleton, Isa belle Moore and Lillie M. Southerland. The instructor was Mrs. N. B. Boney.

With Mrs. Marjorie B. Pickett as Instructor, A Jr. Class is being held in the B. F. Grady School. Her class roll will be given at a Continued On Back Page, Section 1

# North Carolina's New Governor



WILLIAM B. UMSTEAD

of Durham, former Congressman, former United States Senator, who was inaugurated Governor of North Carolina in Raleigh today. Com. menting on the new Governor the North Carolina Research Institute has

Is William B. Umstead the 91st, 73rd, 58th or 34th Governor of North Carolina? The stickler for North Carolina Parts may take his

If one goes all the way back and includes Raiph Lane and John White who were appointed by Sir Walter Raleigh, then 90 different nen have served as chief executive. It was not until 1712 that North Carolina as such became a nam

distinct from the whole Carolina country. Edward Hyde was the first governor of North Carolina as such. Counting from that time, there have been 72 different governors-individuals, not administrations thus making Governor Umstead the 73rd.

There may be others who prefer to begin their count at the begin ning of statehood in 1776 when Richard Caswell became the first governor. Since that time 57 men have held the office, thus making Umstead the 58th governor.

by the people. Since then 33 governors have been elected, Governor Umstead being the 34th.

#### **Kenansville Industrial Corporation** Organized Here; To Promote Industry; C. E. Quinn Named Pres. Other Officers

newly secured charter here Wednesday night when a representaered here to launch a campaign to secure some industry for Ken-ansville and to investigate possisided over the meeting. mem The Corporation is chartered un-tors.

The Kenansville Industrial Corporation was organized under the berhips will be sold for \$25 per share.

Officers elected were: C. E. Quinn, president; J. Oliver Stokes, vice president: Garland King secretary treasurer. The following directors were named: Roy Dunne Corporation was sponsored by the local Lions Club. J. R. Grady presided over the meeting.

Rev. Lauren Sharpe, Gilber Alphin, Leo Jackson and J. R. Grady. The officers will also serve as members of the Board of Directions.

## Calypso Man, In Crazed Condition, Wrecks Home and Shoots at Neighbor

o'clock officers were called to the home of Fred Pate, young white man who lives 1 mile east of Calypso. They found Pate in a crazed condition, he having practically wrecked his home knocking out windows, destroying furniture, etc.

Last Saturday night about 7 by name of Malpass. He was ar-

## Dixie 18 Corn Has Highest Yield

18, a yellow hybrid. Dixle 18 had stronegr stalk and better weevil resistance than any other variety

By V. H. REYNOLDS
County Agent
Corn variety tests were conducted on 8 farms in Duplin County in 1952. The highest yield and best quality corn was made by Dixie

tion in amount of fertilizer and date of planting on different farms. The following is a list of farm-ers and 4-H club members who carried out the tests.

tested.

The certified hybrid seed corn
used in test were furnished by

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# Deputy Houston Thwarts Attempted Jail Break Here Wednesday Night

create Paroles Commission of the commission of t

ernor of North Carolina, presente a broad and comprehensive program for the consideration of the General Assembly and the people of North Carolina in his inaugural address here today.

Speaking at formal ceremonies in Memorial Auditorium, Umstead told the legislators that "this is an hour of great responsibilities for you and for me. I have complete confidence in your patriotic devotion to North Carlina. Ahead of us there are new and unpre-dictable problems. Let us not be afraid. Let us meet with a courage that is characteristic of our people the uncertainties of a swiftly

noving future The new chief executive made a number of important recommen lations, with major emphasis going to public education, roads, highway safety, agriculture conserva-tion and development, treatment and care for mentlly ill, labor, prison and paroles changes liquor

referendum, and taxes. He recommended a 10 per cent salary increase for public school teachers and other state employees retroactive to July 1, 1952, and asked that as much increase in the salaries of teachers be made during vided within available revenues.

The present school construction program is not meeting the needs a rapidly increasing school pop ulation, the Governor asserted, and the asked the General Assembly to submit a bond issue to the peo-ple for funds "to provide the nec-essary aid to counties for the construction of school facilities for all our children."

He also called for further re-duction of the teacher load, the safest school bus transportation possible, improved vocational train ing programs, and a new study of requirements for elementary teach ers. These requirements have been said to be so rigorous that they deter young people from seeking to become elementary teachers, where a serious shortage of trained

personnel now exists. Umstead spotlighted the need for better treatment and care of mentally ill patients in state in-stitutions; describing the need so urget that it can be met adequa

tely only by the proceeds of a state bond issue. "We call the institution at Kin ston the Caswell Training School," he said. 'It is and has been a detention home for feebleminded children, who grow into feeblmind ed men and women, and there they stay through the years. There has never been a place which has even been called a training school for feebleminded children of the Negro race. There is not sufficient

room in our institutions for the adults who need attention." He declared that we have worked at it in a piece-meal fashion long enough. We must make every effort to cure both children and adules, where such is within the capacity of medical science, and sufficient medical personnel must be provided. These people have no spokesman except those whose hearts have been touched by the condition of those affected by this

Here are highlights of other major views and recommendationss presented by Governor Umstead: Roads-A task never finished, the state must continually maintain, improve and build roads. New study should be made of present road revenues to determine what, if anything, can be done to increase current revenues for a long-range primary road building program. Also recommended that number of highway divisions and highway commissioners be increas-ed from 10 to 15.

Highway Safety-Recommended a common sense, effective mechanical inspection law for all motor vehicles, and a drivers' training program for every public high

Agriculture-Continue improvement in agriculture, and endeavor to raise the average per capital income of farm people in North Carolina. Urged a broad, coor-He was bound over to county dinated farm program for state, with emphasis on soil conservation charges of assault with a deadly and agricultural research.

Conservation and development— Bring in new industries and encourage expansion of present in-dustries to provide more employ-ment, more per capita income, and more revenues. Encourage further development of seafood industry. Develop trade for new state ports at Morehead City and Wilmington, Continue sound, promotion of North Carolina attractions for tour ists. Give further study to elim-

ination of steam pollutio Labor-Recommended that state have a minimum wage law stated that every citizen has right to work and to go to work wherever his job may be, and that laws must be enforced to protect every citizen n his right to go to work unmolested by anyone.

ted by anyone.

Prisons and paroles—Requested that further study be given possible separation of prison system from highway commission. Suggested that General Assembly create Paroles Commission of three

# this fight against poliomyelitis by reaching our quota. We are playing an important part in the fight against this dreaded disease, since the money raised through this campaign is spent for scientific research and care for the afflicted patients. The quota for Duplin County as well as other Counties, has been raised due to the rising cost of hospitalizating the afflicted patient. The only let up in sight from this financial responsibility for the people will be after the disease of Polio is conquered and then we will still have 1953 Tobacco Crop Is Cut 8 Per Cent

## Faison Scene Duplin's 1st 1953 Highway Fatality

In his confession Scott said:
"I regret the action, and am sorry
that I did it. I also regret the undue
excitement, damages and discomforts and apologize to the entire
community. It was not a malicious
attempt to cause damages to anyone, but purely and simply a New
Year's prank, the results of which
were underestimated.

The T. N. T. was placed on top
of a pile of logs just across the
A. C. L. railroad tracks from the
old hotel, now used as the community building. There was no
hole in the ground as a result of
the explosion but the end of the
log on which the T.N.T. was set
off was blown to bits.