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## EDITORIAL

### OLD HOMES IN DUBLIN

The Duplin Times received a note from a prominent Goldsboro physician in the back doesn't some historically-minded personality preserve those old homes in Kenansville and Duplin County? They look terrible.

We've heard this same argument in question asked about old homes in every town in the county and many rural communities. The location is not in Duplin but per se many of you readers have passed Kinsey's store on highway 35 at the intersection of the Kenansville and Lenoir highway past the store in Lenoir County from Duplin. There the old Whitefield home looking back to anti-bellum days is not beyond restoration but the owner instead of restoring this handsome old home has built a new, modern looking home in the front yard, literally destroying any possibility of a restoration. The new home is very attractive but to us a restoration of the old home would have been much more attractive and probably would not have cost any more. We happen to think of this as a right now. No doubt this has been done in many places. The number you buy today will not compare with the material these old homes and their restoration could if done so throughout the county could make Duplin a show place in Eastern Carolina.

## Marine Shot Negro Is Killed

During the past week one man has come to his death and another near death and the assassins went scot free.

Last Saturday night Patrolman Norman was called to the home of Reuben Edwards, white of near Fountain's store. On arrival Norman found a Marine sitting by the fire in Edwards' home with a shot gun wound in his shoulder. The story: The Marine's name not given went to the door of Edwards' home about midnight and attempted to break in. Edwards went to the door and warned the Marine. The would be intruder continued his efforts and Edwards went to the door and warned him in the door. The shot took effect in the Marine's shoulder. After the shooting the marine asked permission to come in and warm Edwards built a fire and let him in. The Marine was reportedly drunk.

Norman took the Marine back to Camp Lejeune where it was found his injuries were not serious. The Sheriff's office investigated and observed that Edwards saw Rivers Cooper Negro was warrants have been sworn out. On Wednesday afternoon in War saw Rivers Cooper Negro was killed instantly when his wife fired a shot from a shot gun into his right eye. The shot came out his right eye. The ball was blown out. Coroner Powell empaneled a jury who turned Cooper's wife loose saying it was justifiable homicide.

According to officers Cooper went to the home of his wife's mother and attempted to force his entrance through the front door which was locked. Falling he went around to the side and tore the screen from a window. He raised the window and his wife told him if he attempted to enter she would shoot him. He raised his leg and caught his knee on the window sill in an attempt to crawl through when she shot him. The couple were separated and she and her children left some home to her mother's to live.

## New Pastor For Duplin Group Of Churches Moves Into County

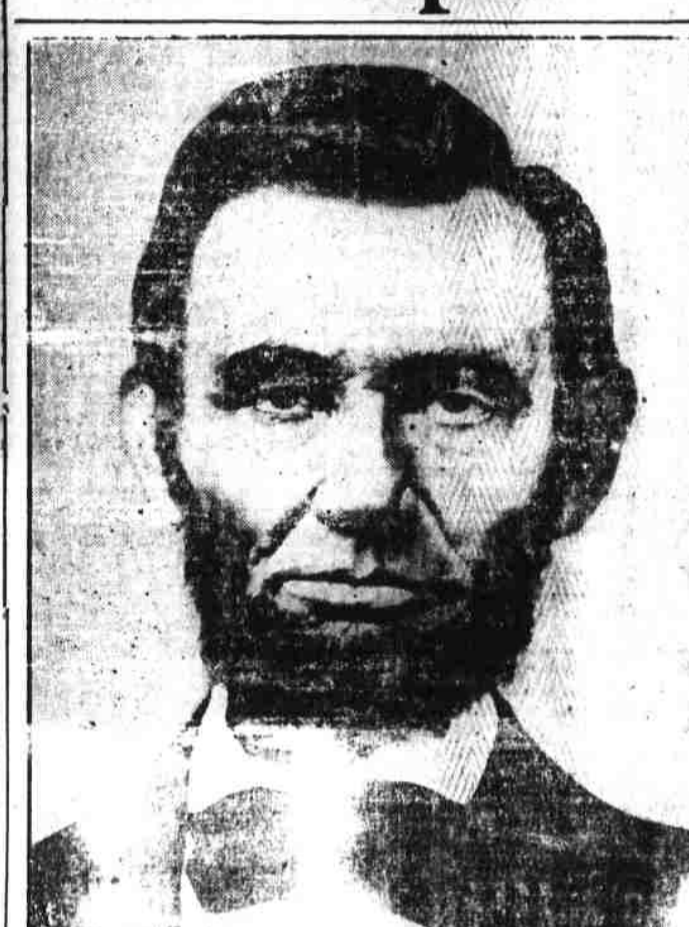


A recent regrouping of Duplin Missionary Baptist Church brings into the county a new pastor and his wife to work among our people. They are Rev. and Mrs. Eugene Hager. Mr. Hager will serve the new group of Alum Springs Church and Jones Chapel churches. He and Mrs. Hager are making their home in the Herzing's Store community in the house formerly occupied by Buck Herring and are already becoming very popular in the community and the church communities they serve. They come to Duplin from Greensboro. Mr. Hager is 24 years old. They have no children. He is a native of Huntersville N. C. and attended Mars Hill College and Wake Forest. He attended Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville Ky. where he received his B. D. degree. Prior to coming to Duplin he was assistant pastor of the Immanuel Baptist Church in Greensboro. Duplin is his first home pastorate.

Mrs. Hager was the former Miss Lou Bagwell of Asheville. She attended Mars Hill College and the Baptist Training School in Louisville.

Before the regrouping Garner's Chapel group with Mr. Olive and Alum Springs and Jones Chapel with Kenansville.

## Construction Begins On Duplin Hospital



The photograph reproduced here is one of the best ever taken of the Great Emancipator. It shows President Lincoln as he looked while leading the nation through one of its most trying hours. Lincoln's Birthday, February 12

Construction work on the Duplin General Hospital got under way this week when Jones Construction Company of Wilson who has the contract for the main building began moving machinery in. Huge bulldozers were placed on the scene Monday morning and began skimming off the top soil of the ground to save to be scattered back for the finishing touches when the time comes to lawn the grounds.

The contractors have been given 18 months in which to complete the job, weather and other conditions being favorable.

The building committee met here Wednesday night with Architect Leslie Boney to look over and discuss preliminary drawings of the 25 bed nurses home and 40,000 square feet health center. Contracts for these two buildings are expected to be let late this spring.

## Jefferson-Jackson Day Dinner Be Held Feb. 28

RALEIGH — The Jefferson-Jackson Day Dinner, the winter gathering of Democratic Party leaders of the Tar Heel State, will be held in Raleigh at the Sir Walter Hotel, February 28, according to an announcement by National Committeeman Robert L. Doughton.

In announcing plans for the annual dinner Doughton said Senator Richard B. Russell of Georgia, an influential party leader in congress and a ranking member of the important Senate Armed Services Committee, will be the featured speaker.

Doughton also announced the appointment of Senator John D. Larkin, Jr. as chairman of arrangements for the dinner. Larkin, a veteran legislator from the State Democratic Executive Committee and has served as chairman of Jefferson-Jackson Day dinners in the state on several previous occasions.

As in past years, for each \$50.00 contributed, one dinner ticket will be issued. Arrangements are being made, Doughton said, to accommodate some 650 party leaders at the banquet.

Tickets he said, will be available in the near future through Democratic Party chairmen in each of the State's 100 counties. Tickets will also be available at the State Democratic Headquarters in the Sir Walter Hotel in Raleigh.

Proceeds from the dinner, Doughton said, will be used to carry on the work of the Democratic Party.

## KEEP TROOP JUDGE STEVENS

Judge Henry Stevens of Warsaw holding court in New Bern this week rebuked a town policeman for running through a traffic light when it said stop. Judge Stevens said "Blue coats and brass buttons give no pass the right to run through a traffic light. The law is a superior court judge but here got no right to break the law. The law is the law. Black or white. Police highway patrolmen and town policemen drive like any other motorists except on occasion of actual emergency. Chasing a lawbreaker constitutes such an emergency. Ambulances too should reserve their speed for serious emergencies. It's ridiculous for an ambulance to go like mad to pick up the body of a dead person. They're dead and they're going to stay dead."

## Rev. L. C. Prater Accepts Appointment To Head Duplin 1953 Red Cross Drive

Pastor of the Outlaw's Bridge Universalist Church will lead the 1953 Red Cross Drive in Duplin. Mr. Prater says he has his organization about all lined up and is ready to start the drive off with a bang.

Mr. Prater is well known thru out the county having come here in June 1947 to accept the pastorate of the Outlaw's Bridge church. He lives in the church home there. He also serves the Winston Universalist Church. He was born in Brownwood Texas and attended public schools in Sweetwater Fla. He attended college at St. Lawrence University, Canton N. Y. graduating in 1927, in 1929 he graduated from St. Lawrence Theological Seminary. He has served in Georgia, Alabama and Mississippi. Starting with 1911 Mr. Prater served as a Navy Chaplain in California and later in the Pacific theater.

For the past year he has served as district chairman of the Red Cross drive in the B. F. Prater and Outlaw's Bridge area.

## Star Theatre In Beulaville

The old makeshift for the new in Beulaville as the old Model Theatre changes ownership and becomes the new Star Theatre.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Demorest, who built the old Model several years ago, have sold it to Messrs. Bill Bessie and Winifred Guy, both natives of Beulaville. They will operate the house in the future. It has been closed down for several days undergoing complete overhauling. Rest rooms are being installed; a new coat of paint applied and the stage is being rebuilt. Those who have seen the work going on say you will hardly recognize the old show place.

Saturday, February 14th is the date set for the opening. The doors of the new Star will open at 6:30 p.m. Saturday and the show will start at 7:30. The new owners say four cash prizes will be given away on opening night. Your attention is called to their ads on other pages in this paper.

Watch for the weekly picture program on the Times Theatre page each week.

## Wally Fowler Coming to Wallace Feb. 25 Sponsor, North East FWB Church Group

The North East Free Will Baptist Church Youth Organization is bringing to Wallace Wally Fowler and the Oak Ridge Quartet together with Sun Crest Trio on Wednesday February 25th at the Wallace High School auditorium. The two gospel singing groups will sing and entertain the audience from 8 o'clock until 7. Profits from the entertainment will be for the benefit of the Youth organization. Tickets will be on sale at the following places: Warsaw Drug Store; WRRZ Clinton; Butler's Super Market Elizabethtown; Western Auto Store Wallace and Billy Brinkley's Store; Chinquapin. Advance tickets will be \$1.00. Tickets at the door \$1.25.

## ATTENTION SENATOR JOHNSON

Senator Johnson is checking over a charge of indifference this week. The Senator said that during his entire practice of law this is the first such charge he has come in contact with. It's a real shame that a father neglects his family that his wife should seek the courts in forcing him to make adequate provisions for his family. Also it is you might say normal practice for the father or mother of an illegitimate child to exercise every precaution in their power to conceal the information or incident from the public but a mother in Duplin this month changed the order.

Louella Stallings entered a suit against Fetho Williams, a student at A & T College for non support of her twin children both out of wedlock. The warrant reads in parts as follows: "Louella Stallings being duly sworn complains and says that in said County of Duplin Fetho Williams on or about the 21st of December, 1952, seduced the said Fetho Williams Jr. did unlawfully and willfully and maliciously neglect and refuse to support and maintain his twin illegitimate children begotten upon the body of Louella Stallings and born November 9 1952 namely Fetho Williams and Oswald Williams and he continues to willfully neglect and refuse to support said children.

The trial will be held February 14th in the Town Hall in Warsaw at 2:30 p.m. Senator Johnson is representing the mother.

## Prominent Calypso Farmer, Business Man Commits Suicide; Funeral Tuesday

Paul Lambert, 31, well-known farmer and businessman of Calypso, died of a self-inflicted pistol wound between 7 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. Monday. His body was found in his parked car by his brother-in-law, Gordon Jackson about 12:30 p.m.

When his husband failed to come to lunch at noon as usual, Mrs. Lambert telephoned to the name of his sister, Mrs. Jackson, to inquire if he had stopped there. When Jackson left his home to investigate he saw Lambert's car parked in field near the Lambert home. In the driver's seat was the slumped body of Lambert with his pistol beside it and a bullet hole through the temple.

Coroner Gurnea Powell ruled the death a suicide. Neither members of the family or close friends could assign a reason for the act. Funeral services were held Tuesday at 3:30 p.m. at the Baptist Church in Calypso, conducted by the pastor, the Rev. Wade James. Burial was in the Lambert family cemetery near the home.

Surviving are his wife, the former Eva Barwick of Mt. Olive; a daughter, Jo Ellen of the home; his mother, Mrs. Oscar Lambert of Calypso; two brothers James of Calypso and Robert Lambert of Goldsboro; and a sister, Mrs. Gordon B. Jackson of Calypso.

Lambert was a member of the Baptist Church, the American Legion and the Calypso Rural Club.

## Chicken 'N' Pastry Supper, Magnolia Friday Night

The Magnolia Womens Civic Club is sponsoring a chicken and pastry supper Friday night, February 13 from 6:30 until 7. Donate \$1.00 to the March of Dimes and eat all the chicken and pastry you want. Children donate 50¢ for their supper. This supper will be held in the Magnolia School lunch room and everyone is invited to come and donate to a worthy cause and enjoy a delicious supper.

## Branch Bank Announces Promotions In Warsaw And Wallace Banks

Branch Banking and Trust Company of Warsaw Wallace and Faison recently announced some promotions among its personnel according to E. C. Thompson vice President and Cashier. In the Warsaw unit Mrs. Betty Jenkins Humphrey was promoted to Assistant Cashier. Mrs. Humphrey has been with the bank for thirteen years. Prior to going with Branch she worked with the Bank of Duplin in Wallace and later in the Tax Collector's office in Kenansville.

In the Wallace unit Mr. Frank S. Williams was promoted to Assistant Cashier. Mr. Williams has been with the Wallace unit for eight years. Mr. Wayne Jordan is cashier at Wallace and Mr. A. F. Rector is manager of the Faison unit. Mr. Thompson heads all three banks in Duplin.

## Notice

Our readers, correspondents and advertisers are asked to make note that The Duplin Times will issue on Wednesday of next week. All advertising, legal and display must be in the office not later than Tuesday night, earlier if possible. All correspondents are asked to mail their news not later than Monday afternoon. Correspondents news arriving after Tuesday night may be left out. We considerately ask your cooperation.

—The Editor.

## WITH OUR BOYS IN SERVICE

TWO FROM CHINQUAPIN SCHEDULED TO GET RELEASE

Camp Atterbury, Ind. — Two Chinquapin, N. C. soldiers are scheduled for release from active duty at Camp Atterbury, Ind. where they are serving with the 1st Infantry Division.

The men and the dates they are to be released are:

W. C. Sigmond W. Fountain, son of Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Fountain, of Chinquapin, February 13; and

W. O. K. Wood, son of Pete Wood of Chinquapin, February 12. Both former students of Chinquapin High School, the men are assigned to Company C of the 1st Infantry. Fountain as a cook and Wood as a cook.

## Electric Score Board to be Installed Kenan Auditorium; Other Improvements

Kenan Memorial Auditorium is beginning to shape up into a finished product as the work continues towards finishing the floors. A substantial gymnasium floor has been put on the playing court and the other part of the floor covered with rubber tile.

Last week a modern sound system with three microphones and a combination loud speaker was installed. The speaker suspends from the top in the middle of the building. This week an electric scoreboard was ordered and is expected to be installed for the annual county basketball tournament.

In an effort to improve the grounds around the building, especially during wet weather this week dirt has been hauled in. It is planned to grade the grounds around the building right away. Passers-by will notice that the school grounds adjacent to the auditorium are being improved. Shrubbery has recently been put out around the building and the yard in front of the building fenced off to prevent cars driving and parking on it.

Plans call for a landscaping program of the school and auditorium grounds.

## Woodrow Smith Of Pink Hill Commits Suicide

Woodrow Wilson Smith 38, manager of the W. H. Jones and Company store at Pink Hill ended his life with a .38 calibre pistol bullet to the head at 9 a.m. Wednesday. He was a son of the late Ernest and Annie Smith of Deep Run.

Relatives said he had threatened suicide on a number of occasions in the past. Surviving with his wife a Kinston nurse, Mrs. Grace Smith and a daughter Mrs. Rita Smith of the home; two sons Ernest Woodrow and Bobby Glenn Smith of the home; one brother Vance Smith at Deep Run; two sisters Mrs. Paul Taylor and Mrs. Elton Harper both of Deep Run.

Funeral services will be held from the Tyndall Wood - Jarman Funeral Home in Kinston at 2:30 p.m. Friday with interment in the Deep Run Free Will Baptist cemetery.

## John Harriss to Give Home Beautification School for Club Women Here Feb. 19th

Mr. John H. Harriss Extension Horticulturist from State College will train "Home Beautification and Garden Leaders" in Duplin Home Demonstration Clubs for their March demonstrations at a school here on Thursday February 19th at 2 o'clock. The school will be held at the Agricultural building. Every Home Beautification and Garden leader is urged to attend.

## Mrs. Fitzgerald Dies in New York

Word has reached Kenansville that Mrs. John T. Fitzgerald, wife of the late Rev. J. T. Fitzgerald of Outlaw's Bridge Church, died in a Peekskill, N. Y. hospital on January 19th. Mrs. Fitzgerald has been making her home in Peekskill since the death of her husband several years ago.

## THOMAS G. TORRENCE

Thomas G. Torrence S. N., son of Mr. and Mrs. Hills Torrence of Warsaw is now serving aboard the USS Shelton DD 390 somewhere in the Korean waters. He left Warsaw recently and is serving in well and doing fine. Please don't worry God will take care of no matter where I have. My prayers have always been for you. I'm sure they are. I'll therefore I expect to see you soon.

Love here in a day or two from King, China. Tell all about you on next page. See 1

## Husband Shoots Wife And She Won't Talk

Albert Matthews of Rose Hill is free under a \$500 bond after shooting his wife in the leg with a shot gun heading up his mother in law, shooting her out of other people's and his two car and striking a knock-out blow at the hands of his brother in law.

It all happened last Saturday night at his home west of Lake Umbagog to officers Mitchell and Constable C. J. Williams. Matthews shot up the wind shield of his car before the spree was over his brother in law Joseph Lanier literally cold-cocked him knocking him out. He was found in that condition when officers arrived on the scene. It took about 10 minutes to saw up the first wound on his chin.

He will be tried at the next term of county court. No one but his wife saw him shoot her. It was said and she refused to testify against him.

## Blood Reported Not From Human

Sheriff Ralph Miller reports that a test of blood found near Fountain's Store recently turned out not to be human blood.

The sheriff says that recently he was called to a rural farm house back up in the Glade near Fountain's Store to check on a blood spot on the ground under a pack house shelter. Some of the neighbors suspected it might be human blood. This was on Monday following the moving of a family of Marines from the house on Friday. The sheriff scooped up some of the blood stained dirt and sent it to the State FBI for analysis.

## County Basket Ball

CONFERENCE STANDINGS

Includes All Games Through Tuesday Night 10 February 1953				
GIRLS	Won	Lost	Tied	Percent
CALYPSO	10	2	0	.833
B. F. GRADY	9	2	1	.791
BEULAVILLE	6	5	0	.545
CHINQUAPIN	6	7	0	.461
FAISON	4	6	1	.409
WALLACE	5	7	2	.357
KENANSVILLE	2	10	0	.166
WARSAW	0	13	0	.000
BOYS				
WALLACE	Won	Lost	Tied	Percent
BEULAVILLE	10	1	0	.909
KENANSVILLE	10	2	0	.833
B. F. GRADY	6	6	0	.500
ROSE HILL	6	7	0	.461
CALYPSO	5	7	0	.416
WARSAW	5	8	0	.384
FAISON	2	10	0	.091
CHINQUAPIN	0	13	0	.000

## Lake Tut Has New Manager

Lake Tut Duplin's popular water resort near Rose Hill announces new management. William F. Lindstrom assumed the manager's duties on Monday of this week. The Lake resort is operating thru the winter months with weekly dances and the dining room is open daily including Sunday. They are prepared to take care of parties as well as serving individuals.

## State License Tags

Western Auto Store in Wallace selling tags for North Carolina auto license tags reports that more tags were sold through January 31st than during the first three quarters of the year last year. Through February 7th they report 6000 tags were sold in their store. On February 7th they sold an average of four plates per minute during the first three hours.

Charles Chastney, Rev. Clifton T. Faison, and Rev. Will Baptist churches are scheduled to officiate.