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PRICE TEN CENTS

This Week

With SAM BIRD

One Black Sheep
I first saw Topaz
Cagney, a small top
on the French Riviera. Pat, my
wife, was suffering from the Monte-
Carlo complaint that day. If you
eat baby octopus in Florence, you
get the Florentine complaint; in
Venice, it's the Venetian complaint.
In Duplin County you get the same
complaint from eating too much
barbecue. Anyway, it's a pepto-
bismol-thing, and that day Pat was
suffering from the effects of too
much baby octopus and garlic
mayonnaise eaten the night before
at a Monte-Carlo cafe.

Visiting us at the Hotel Mirabeau
was an energetic Charleston friend
touring Europe after her graduation
for the purpose of drinking
Coca Colas on the terraces of the
best hotels in France, and completing
a gift list for all her relatives.
By the time she reached us at
Monte-Carlo, her traveling cases
were stuffed with Scotch woolsens,
Swiss watches, toys from the Black
Forest, and Irish linens. For herself,
she had decided to take home to
South Carolina a white miniature
French poodle. Miniature French
poodles are to dogs what midgies
are to people.

We rode by bus to the International
Chien Kennel Club our friend
to go dog shopping. The bosomy
proprietress of the kennels was
having a house-cleaning in prepara-
tion for a shipment of 35 Fokinese
dogs from Geneva. She didn't have
any white miniature poodles.

Then Topaz walked around a corner
and all work stopped while
painters and kennel keepers gathered
him up shouting, "ici, Mignien."
That's not a steak; it means, "hi ya,
baby." Right that moment Topaz's
life changed and our troubles began.

That night Topaz was risking
Monte-Carlo complaint by eating
handouts from every guest at the
Hotel Mirabeau.

The English will permit you take
dogs into their country, but they
must remain in quarantine for six
months before you can have them
with you.

Six weeks later, Topaz and I
went the day at the American Con-
crete at Nica preparing his permit
and visa to enter the U. S. It cost
me two dollars to swear that Topaz
was "one live dog." The chewed-up
desk legs in the consul's office attest
to his visit. The red government
stamp on his permit looks like a
prize camelia at a flower show.

Topaz flew the Atlantic from Nica
to New York, and farther on to
Charleston, where he spent some
time with a friend of ours awaiting
our arrival from England.

"L'Affaire Topaz" began when an
air port official, wishing to show
proper concern for animals in trans-
it, telephoned our friend that there
was a dog in a crate at the air
port with her name on it.

Largest Gathering Of Presbyterian Laymen Held In Wallace Mon. Night

By J. R. Grady
About three hundred and twenty
five men of the Church of Wilming-
ton Presbyterian Church gathered in
the Wallace Presbyterian Church Mon-
day night for the annual meeting.
It was the largest gathering of
Presbyterian Laymen in the history
of the Wilmington Presbytery, it
was reported.

Prior to the meeting a barbecue
chicken supper was served in the
Wallace Presbyterian Church Mon-
day night. Dallas Herring of Rose
Hill, president of the organization,
opened the meeting and presided.
Invocation was by Rev. W. B. Hood,
pastor of the host church. Scripture
was read by McNeil Johnson of
Willard and prayer by Luther Pow-
ell of Wallace. Rev. Mr. Flowers,
minister at Warsaw was introduced
to the crowd.

Dr. Frank Hall, noted minister
of Wilmington, delivered the sermon
on the first verse of the 13th
chapter of Romans, which Mr. John-
son had read. Dr. Hall said he was
elated over the gathering of so
many men in the name of God. He
said this was a sign of a new day
in the church world. He appealed
to his listeners to surrender and
give their whole hearts to God
which is the first request of a
genuine Christian. He continued
that if each man in the audience
would do just that they could bring
about a religious revolution in the
world. He commented on the tremen-
dous increase in church mem-
bership in this country. It is without
precedent, he said, and yet in the
realm of moral and social problems
the church today has no more
power than it did some years back
when the membership was much
smaller.

Today, he said, Christ is calling
men to go forward under His ban-
ner. He then spoke on two areas in
which men must go forward. 1. Our
total personal dedication to Christ.
Not part time but unconditional
surrender. We cannot serve God
and mammon, he declared. Area 2.
A sincere concern for the lost world
in the name of Christ. How much
concerned are we? he asked. If we
really felt the need we would give
ourselves in a measure that we
never have before, he said.

Dr. J. O. Mann, leader in men's
work, spoke briefly on the task
before the Men of the Church.
John Dieffell, president of the
Men of the Church of the Synod
of North Carolina, spoke about the
meeting of the Men of the Church
to be held in New Orleans next fall
and urged a large attendance from
this area.

Leslie Boney, Jr. spoke in behalf
of the magazine of the Men of the
Church. President Herring appeal-
ed for more local organizations of
the group. Hugh Johnson of Rose
Hill, secretary-treasurer, made his
report. A constitution and by-laws
were presented by Rev. M. C. Mc-
Queen of Clinton and adopted. New
officers for the coming year elect-
ed were: Leslie N. Boney, Jr., Wil-
mington, president; Dr. D. D. Clark,
Clarkton, 1st. vice-president; retir-
ing president, Dallas Herring be-
each.

The law forbids raising quail for
personal eating purposes, but it
would be an appetizing sight to see
them fussing and dusting them-
selves in the back yard.

Mark's quail call up wild quail
to the yard. If there's no social
significance in that, at least it's
nice and friendly.

I. O. Wilkerson Named Administrator Duplin General Hospital; Coming May 1

I. O. Wilkerson, administrative
assistant of Rex Hospital in Raleigh,
was chosen administrator of Duplin
General Hospital at a meeting of
the Board of Trustees here last Fri-
day night. Mr. Wilkerson and Mrs.
Rex. He and Mrs. Wilkerson are
members of the Methodist church.
They expect to move to Kenans-
ville the latter part of April.

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ing the roof this week. The second
and third floors are poured and
visitors may walk up now. The con-
tractor says we may plan to open
the institution about the last of
October or 1st of November.

Mr. Wilkerson is from Greens-
boro and is married to a Miss Bizzell
of Newton Grove in Sampson Coun-
ty. They have no children. He is
a graduate of Wake Forest College;

served his time in the armed forces;
spent two years intermship in hos-
pital administration at Rex and
has served two and a half years at
Rex as administrative assistant. He
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Duplin School Improvement Committee Holds Successful Meeting In Warsaw

The regular luncheon meeting of
the Duplin School Improvement
Committee, operating under the
Kellogg Foundation, was held in
the lunch room at the Warsaw
graded school on Wednesday of last
week. It was the largest attendance
at such a meeting held recently.
The program was as follows: Re-
sults of the follow-up study of drop-
outs, by Dallas Herring. Implica-
tions of the results of the study for
the school program, by Dallas Her-
ring. A responsibility of the county
Office in working with school
groups on these implications, by
O. P. Johnson. How these implica-
tions will be dealt with in indi-
vidual schools by O. P. Johnson.

who have gone on to college and
those graduates who did not go
to college.

The general discussion, intermingled
with the speeches, was on the
manner and methods of determin-
ing what, if anything, is wrong with
our present school system in Duplin
County and what methods need to
be taken to improve those condi-
tions. Do we need more vocational
training? More or less emphasis on
certain subjects, such as foreign
languages, etc.?

It was decided that the group
would visit the new model high
school in a body in Rocky Mount
on February 12th.

Mrs. J. B. Stroud of Faison, chair-
man of the group, presided.

Negro Killed Instantly After Argument; Defendant Is Not Held

Duplin Officers report that the
climax of an argument was the
death of Willie Moore, colored, by
James Phillips, last Sunday night
near Brice's Store. Moore had been
to Phillips' house earlier in the
afternoon and had gotten involved
in an argument with another per-
son. Phillips' wife tried to stop the
argument which ended by her be-
ing knocked around and getting
cut by a pocket knife in the hands
of Moore.

Later, Moore returned to Phillips'
home and started an argument with
him. Phillips stated that he warned
Moore not to come into his house
but Moore paid no attention to the
warning. As he started through the
door he reached into his pocket,
presumably for his knife. Phillips
picked up his gun and shot Moore.
He died almost instantly.
Phillips is not being held.

It takes dollars to convince people
you have sense.
Men like to be listened to -
women listen to be liked.
Trouble seldom comes to those
who enjoy their life's work.

Terms Of Duplin Commissioners To Change With 1954 Election; 4 Years And Alternate

Briefs

NOTICE
Relocation of a section of high-
voltage power lines will necessitate
a power interruption Sunday after-
noon in lower Duplin County and
eastern Sampson County, according
to J. C. Maulsby of Wallace, local
manager for Carolina Power and
Light Co.

W. E. Stout, Wallace, Named Commander Of Duplin Unit American Cancer Society

"The American Cancer Society,
North Carolina Division, Inc. takes
pleasure in announcing the appoint-
ment of W. E. Stout of Wallace, as
Commander of the Duplin County
Unit of the Society. Mr. Stout is
head of the Stout Realty Company
of Wallace and is known through-
out the county as an enthusiastic
leader in anything he undertakes.
He has been assured the fine sup-
port of people in every section of
Duplin. We look forward to a great

expansion in the total cancer pro-
gram.
No county of comparable size has
demonstrated more continuous sup-
port in this program during the
past twelve years, and with Mr.
Stout's capable leadership, we are
confident that our program of re-
search, education, and service - a
program to save lives from cancer
- will continue to go forward."

Duplin County Boy Scouts Observe 44th Anniversary Of Scouting

Duplin County Boy Scouts, along
with The Cub Pack at B. F. Grady
and the newly organized Cub Pack
at Warsaw, celebrated the 44th an-
niversary of Boy Scouts of Amer-
ica in Kenan Memorial Auditorium
and 4-H members will be held on
Tuesday afternoon, February 16,
at 2:00 P.M. in the Kenansville High
School Auditorium. Mrs. L. K. Al-
derman is the pianist-director. Prac-
tice will begin for entering Radio
Station W.P.T.F. Contest. Any who
wish to become a member of the
Choral group is invited.

here Tuesday night. Duplin District
President, E. Walker Stevens of
Warsaw, presided. Scout executive
Brown of Clinton announced the
events from the microphone.
Nearly 400 Scouts, parents and
friends enjoyed the hour's program
which was highlighted by the 40
piece band of Wallace High School,
which presented a majestic picture
on the stage. They furnished appro-
priate music throughout the pro-
gram. Mrs. Iris Leary is director
of the band.
All spectators were sitting in
balcony seats and the floor kept
open for the Scout drills and as-
sembly.
The program opened with all
Scouts standing at attention as
Flags were presented. Byron Bryan
of Calypso gave the address of
welcome. Seated with him on the
stage were Scout Executive Bruce
Boyers of Goldsboro and Duplin
Scout Finance Chairman Roy Carter
of Wallace. On the opposite side
of the stage sat President Stevens and
the speaker, Judge Clifton Moore
of Burgaw.

Publicity Leader's School
A publicity leader's school for
Publicity Leaders and Club Sec-
retaries will be led by Miss Jean
Anderson, Extension Specialist, for
Home Demonstration leaders on
Thursday afternoon, February 18,
at 2:00 P.M. in the Home Agent's
Office, Agricultural Building, Ken-
ansville, N. C.
Pauline S. Johnson, Home Agent

In a candlelight ceremony the
scouts repeated the Pledge. Mr.
Stevens introduced Judge Moore
who has been outstanding in Boy
Scout work in Pender County and
the Cape Fear Council. Judge
Moore said he had never seen finer
evidence of the Scouting spirit.
Paying homage to Duplin he said
that Duplin County, in Scout work
as in everything else, always comes
up with a job well done. He brought
greetings from the Cape Fear Coun-
cil. He briefly reviewed the begin-
ning of Scouting in the United
States telling how Wm. E. Boyce
went to England and brought
Scouting back to this country.
The Boy Scouts of America is
chartered by the United States Con-
gress, he said. There are now a
million and a half adults in this
country active in Scouting and 4
million Boy Scouts. We need more
people to wake up and take active
interest in Scouting, he continued,
for the Boy Scouts are the leaders
of tomorrow. There is not a Com-
munist connected with Scouting,
he added.

Special interest meetings for
those interested in learning how to
use their sewing machine attach-
ments will be held in several places
over the county. Plan to attend the
one to be held nearest you. Each
meeting will be held from 2:00 to
4:00 P.M. in the afternoon. These
will be taught by the Home Agents.
Sewing Machine Attachments
Schools:
1. Friday, February 19, Penny
Branch Club House near Warsaw.
2. Monday, February 22, Home
Agents Office, Kenansville.
3. Tuesday, February 23, La Place
House.
4. Thursday, February 25, Teachey
Presbyterian Recreational Room,
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Scout Executive Boyers then re-
cognized some of the workers in
Scouting in Duplin today.
M-Sgt. Milton J. Whaley, U. S.
Air Force has assumed his duties
as Recruiting Officer at Wilson,
N. C. His office is located in the
Post Office. Sgt. Whaley has a
total of 17 years in the armed ser-
vices having served 14 years in the
Navy and three years in the Air
Force. He and his family are resid-
ing at 1019 North Bynnum St., Col-
lege Court in Wilson.

ATTENDS MEETING
Phil Kretsch, local banker, at-
tended a joint conference on live-
stock production and financing in
Raleigh Tuesday.

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SAVINGS BONDS
Duplin County banks sold \$32,
088.25 in E & H Bonds during the
month of January according to a
treasury department report.

THE WHAMMYS
Duplin County patrolmen report
that from 2:00 p.m. Friday, Feb.
5th, to midnight Sunday a total of
21 auto-watches were caught by the
speed watch or "Whammy". 19 were
speeding, one drunk and one fol-
lowing too closely. Ten were stop-
ped and warned about driving too
slow and for improper equipment.
2 miles east of Kenansville on high-
way 24 thirteen were caught for
speeding on Friday afternoon.
Only one wreck was reported in
the county. No one was injured. Car
damages estimated at \$130. L. C.
Bostic of Beaufort was the driver.
Officers reported a loose mule
jumped into the road in front of
him and he was forced to run off
the road. Patrolman in Duplin are
unanimous in their opinion that
the use of the speed watch has
definitely reduced the number of
accidents in the county. Among
the speeders caught Friday night
was a Marine who was driving to
Indiana and had to be back at the
Marine base at 8:00 am on Monday
morning.

WINEY STILL
A steel drum whiskey still with
a copper condenser was picked up
in Faison township, near the Samp-
son County line, Saturday. Five
barrels of mash was also picked up.
On the raid were deputy T. E.
Revelle, W. O. Houston, W. E. Kiser
and Murray Byrd. No arrests
were made.

BOX PARTY
All churches are urged to attend
a box party sponsored by the
Y.P.A. of Sarcenia F. W. B. Church.
It is to be held February 13th, at
7:30 at Roy Dunn's home in Ken-
ansville. All are invited both young
and old. Come and bring someone
with you. Girls - bring a lunch, and
Boys - don't forget your pocket-
book.

Anybody want to buy 40 quail?
Mark Cherry of Mt. Olive, has 30
pair of quail to sell before he leaves
for the University of North Caro-
lina next fall.

Complete-quail housing is also
available for someone wanting to
go into the quail-raising business.
Mark has been at it profitably since
he started with a couple of pair of
Faison quail two years ago.

BATTERY "B"
150TH, AAA BN (GUN 90MM)
Beaufort, N. C.
SUMMER ENCAMPMENT 1953
First Row Holding Guidon - Sgt. Robert Price,
Second Row L-R - Harold Brown, Vasco Futral,
Bobby Henderson, 1st Lt. Richard E. Battle (Capt.),
Commander, Alvin Grady, Edward Earl Davidson,
Samuel Williams.
Third Row L-R - Harry Miller, LeRoy Kennedy,

REPORT A FIRE
IN KENANSVILLE
Flames in 200-5 (Brown's Garage)
Night and Sunday 2:30-1 (J. Sharpe)
Call or 12 to answer at 225-1 call
225-1 (E. Y. Yewens)

As we go to press only one candi-
date has announced for office in
Duplin. E. E. Kelly of Gilman, rep-
resenting the 2nd commissioner dis-
trict, composed of Wallace, Gil-
son, Albertson and Smith Town-
ship, incumbent, is running to suc-
ceed himself.
In the elections this year Duplin's
system of electing county commis-
sioners is being changed. Five will
be nominated in the May Primary
as usual and elected in the fall.
However, in the fall general elec-
tion the three commissioner candi-
dates receiving the highest votes
will be elected for a four year
term and the two low will be elec-
ted a two year term. Hence in fu-
ture elections all winning candi-
dates for county commissioners will
be elected for four year terms with
two and three alternating so that
there will never be a complete
turnover in the Board of County
Commissioners.

Duplin elections chairman, Wm.
E. Cook of Kenansville, announced
that forms are now available for
candidates to file and they may file
at any time between now and sun-
set on April 17th. Filing fee is one
percent of the total annual salary
or a minimum of \$5.00.
A meeting of the Democratic
County Executive Committee has
been called for 2:30 p.m. on Monday,
February 15th. This meeting date
is set by the State Board of Elec-
tions and applies to every county
in the state. At this meeting the
names of three Democrats will be
selected and sent to the state Board
of Elections from which two will
be chosen to serve for the next two
years on the county Executive
Committee.

Duplin Native Attempts Suicide

GREENVILLE, Feb. 9—A 30-year-
old man in attempted suicide with a
pistol in Proctor Hotel Saturday
while talking to a friend on the
telephone, police reported yester-
day.
The man, Elwood Goodson, tele-
phoned his friend from his room in
the hotel and fired the shot while
talking over the phone.
Police said that the friend, Bob
Hart of Greenville, told them that
Goodson telephoned him and said
that he was going to "end it all."
Hart told policemen that he asked
the man if he had been drinking
and he replied that he had not.
Hart said he then heard the report
of the pistol and he notified police.
The wounded man was rushed to
Pitt Memorial Hospital. Police said
that Goodson had evidently shot
himself through the mouth and the
bullet came out through his jaw.
Hospital authorities reported Good-
son's condition as "satisfactory"
Monday.

Police stated that no note was
found at the scene. It was under-
stood that he was separated from
his wife.
It was reported that the man had
been staying at the hotel for about
a week. He is engaged in a roofing
business in Greenville.
Mr. Goodson is a native of Duplin
County.

American Legion Oratorical Contest At B.F. Grady School

The annual American Legion
Oratorical Contest will get under
way this month. The county admin-
istration will be held at B. F. Grady
High School Tuesday night, Febru-
ary 23rd, at 7:00 p.m. The district
contest will be at Wallace on Fri-
day night, February 26th and Divi-
sion contest at Burgaw on March
2nd, at 7:00 p.m. The prize for the
district winner will be a \$100.00
savings bond. Division winners will
go on to the state contest and
through the area and national con-
test in Chicago. National winner
will receive a \$4,000 scholarship.
A medal will be awarded each
school winner in the county.

