



Straight from the Shoulder — Right from the Heart of Duplin

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This Week

Flying Boxcar Explodes In Mid Air Near Sarecta

Thanks "Uncle Sam" For A Very Nice Trip

When I was a kid a fortune teller told me that a rich uncle was going to give me a trip some day to a foreign country. I told her I didn't have a rich uncle but she insisted that my uncle would give me a trip. Well, at long last, the fortune has come true. "Uncle Sam" has recently given me a trip to Cuba as guest of the United States Navy.

On April 8th, I left Kenansville for Norfolk. Thereafter I was on Uncle Sam except I had to pay for my meals, laundry and dry cleaning while his guest. This added up to the total of \$5.40. So much for the finances.

On Wednesday morning, April 7th, I walked into the 5th Naval District base at Norfolk and was given passage to Guantanamo Bay, Cuba. Following that, I met five other men who were taking the trip with me. We then were escorted over the Naval Base at Norfolk. We were told that a plane lands or takes off every three minutes, every 24 hours, at the Norfolk Base. The five with me on the tour were: J. R. Schlipman, mayor of Florence, S. C. and a Coca Cola Bottler; Dr. C. L. Menser, professor at Stetson University and radio station owner in DeLand, Florida; he also owns and operates Menser Groves at Jupiter, Fla.; E. W. Winger of radio station WDDO, Chattanooga, Tenn.; Simpson Russell, president of the National Bank of Commerce, Jacksonville, Tenn. and Paul Quattlebaum, Jr., president of the Quattlebaum Electric Company in Charleston, S. C.

At 11:15 we boarded a four motor super constellation plane for Cuba. About 50 passengers were aboard and \$2,800,000 worth of cargo. The plane is 10 tons, burns 450 gallons of a per hour. The plane could carry 85 passengers. We flew the coast from Norfolk to New Bern, Wilmington, Charleston, Savannah and landed at the Naval Base in Jacksonville, Fla. at 1:54. We flew up to 8,000 feet and reached a speed of 276 miles per hour. An hour and a half stop-over in Jacksonville. We had lunch and I called my wife's sister who lives there. Then an escorted tour of the Jacksonville Base. It was mostly a jet base. Jets of all kinds, sizes and descriptions were there. We took off from Jacksonville and followed the Florida East Coast to Miami where we turned due east over the Atlantic. A sailer came by and showed us how to put on and adjust a life saving jacket in case the plane was forced down at sea. After a head start due east the plane soared to 12,500 feet and reached 350 miles per hour. We flew above the Florida clouds and looking down it was perfectly beautiful. My seat was beside a window and I saw the sun set over the Atlantic as we were beginning to near Guantanamo Bay.

Guantanamo Bay is on the southeastern tip of Cuba, about 700 miles east of Havana and 45 miles west of Haiti. We landed about 7:15. Commander Griffin of the USS Baltimore met us and said they had been holding up the ship for the party. I have a nephew who is a surgeon in the Bay hospital and I asked permission to stay with him a few days. The rest of the party boarded the ship that night. With my nephew, Dr. E. D. Grady, whom I will call "Red", and his wife, we went to his home, where I changed into summer clothes. The breeze was nice and the moon and sky pretty. About 8:30 we went to the Officer's Club where I met many people and played Bingo for a couple of hours. Then we went around to an officer's home where a number of friends gathered. The following day, Thursday, I was told I could not drive an auto on the base so I went to the Naval Base where I had to be driven everywhere. The Naval Base is tremendous, nestled among the mountains with many points jutting out into the water. Cruisers, battleships, destroyer and carriers were anchored. I learned that Guantanamo is a training base for fighter pilots from the Iowa, The Missouri, and the Canadian Navy. It is the base of the Canadian Navy's fleet of fighting ships. I had lunch with "Red" in the Base hospital and took a tour of it. They are building a new brick hospital. The present one is wood structure and very rambling.

Friday "Red's" wife took me shopping in the various stores on the base where cigarettes cost \$1.00 per carton and \$100 watches sold anywhere from \$25 to \$95. Also that morning I visited Rear Admiral R. E. Taylor in his office in the Base administration building. While

Jaycees Charter Banquet To Be Held Friday Nite, April 30

The newly organized Kenansville Junior Chamber of Commerce will hold its Charter Night Banquet next Friday, April 30th, at 8:00 p.m. at the Kenansville School Cafeteria. The Program Committee is headed by Vernon Reynolds with Wm. E. Craft and Harry Wells, members. The Reception Committee consists of Sam Hayter, chairman, Ivy Bowden and John Hall. The Ticket Committee is composed of Pete Bradshaw, chairman, Wiley Booth and James Murphy.

The main speaker for the program will be Gene Ochensetter, State President, N.C.J.C.C., of Asheville, N. C. Others participating in the program will be Jimmy Wallace, National Director, N.C.J.C.C., of Wilson, N. C., Earl Myers, 6th District Vice President, of Burgaw, N. C., Wallace Linwand, District Extension chairman, of Elizabethtown, N. C., John Stewart, Extension chairman, of Burgaw, N. C. and J. R. Grady, Mayor of Kenansville, N. C.

Other honored guests will be Dallas Jones, County Commissioner from the 5th District, which includes Kenansville, O. P. Johnson, County Superintendent of Schools, Z. W. Fraasle, Principal of the Kenansville School, Ralph T. Brown, Kenansville Alderman, P. Kretsch, Jr., Kenansville Alderman, Oliver Stokes, Kenansville Alderman, Leo Jackson, Kenansville Alderman, and William Ingram, Kenansville Alderman.

Ivy Bowden, Kenansville Jaycee President, says, "It is indeed wonderful how the young men in Kenansville have responded to organizing this club. Their interest and work has made the club possible. If this interest continues, and it certainly should with the backing and praise of the Kenansville citizens, the Jaycees will make this community very proud of them."

The banquet is open to the citizens of Kenansville and surrounding areas. Tickets are on sale now and every Jaycee member has tickets for sale. In order that arrangements can be made in advance, and the program properly prepared, ticket sales will cease at 12 o'clock noon, Tuesday, April 27th. So if you plan to attend and give these young men a boost — a boost for a better Kenansville — a boost for youth leadership — a boost for a more religious and friendly community, please buy your tickets by the deadline.

Four From Bowden Killed In Auto Wreck In South Carolina

Four persons from Bowden, including Mrs. Jennell Powell Holloman, who was born and reared at Faison, were killed in an auto-truck collision in South Carolina Sunday night. Two others, including her husband, James Ed Holloman, were injured.

Those reported killed were Mrs. Toby Herring, her son, Marion Herring, Mrs. Earl Horne and Mrs. Holloman. Holloman and Earl Horne were reported injured. The seriousness of their condition was not known in this section when The Times went to press.

The accident is reported to have occurred between Hartsville and Columbia around 10 o'clock. They were enroute to Fort Jackson where Herring was stationed. Complete details of the tragedy were not available here.

Mrs. Holloman's body was brought to the Williams Funeral Home in Mount Olive. Funeral services were held Wednesday at the Presbyterian Church in Faison with the Rev. Taylor O. Bird officiating.

Surviving are her husband, her parents, Sol and Francis Powell of Faison; one brother, Sol Neil Powell of Faison; four sisters, Rebecca, Ann, Julia, and Ellen Powell, all of Faison; maternal grandmother, Laurie Parrish, also of Faison.

64 Candidates File For Office In Duplin

Duplin County voters will have a wide selection to choose from in the May 29 primary as 64 persons filed for office subject to the primary. There were 53 candidates for office subject to the Democratic primary and 11 Republican hopefuls, William E. Craft, chairman of the board of elections announced today.

Three Democrats — Mitchell Britt of Warsaw, J. R. (Bob) Grady of Kenansville and Lewis W. Outlaw of Albemarle — are seeking the nomination for one of the Ninth District's two seats in the State Senate. The district is comprised of Duplin, Sampson, Pender and New Hanover counties. Under the rotation system, Duplin and New Hanover will have Senators in 1955. O. C. Blanchard, Jr. of Wallace is the GOP candidate for the Senate.

Albert Outlaw of Mt. Olive, Rt. 2 and Robert M. Carr, the incumbent, are seeking the democratic nomination to the House of Representatives. The Republicans will have a contest for the House nomination with hopefuls being Sam Waller of Glisson Township and Robert E. Ward, Jr. of Rose Hill.

Democrats' State Sheriff Ralph Miller of Beaulville is opposed by Perry Smith of Warsaw. Candidates for coroner are L. G. Williams of Chiquapin, R. G. Tucker of Magnolia, Garland Kennedy of Wallace and Hix Bradshaw of Rose Hill, who is also a candidate for justice of the peace.

The Democrats' list for county commissioners is A. C. Hall of Wallace, Durham Grady of Albemarle, Richard H. Blackburn of Warsaw, Leon Brown of Beaulville, Emmett E. Kelly of Scott's Store, J. B. Stroud of Kenansville, A. P. Cates of Faison, Lott Kornegay of Warsaw and Dallas Jones of Magnolia. Jones, Cates, Kelly, Brown and Hall are incumbents.

Robert L. West of Warsaw and Grady Mercer, of Beaulville are the Democratic candidates for judge of county court and David N. Henderson is the Democrats' candidate for solicitor of the court. R. V. Wells, of Kenansville, incumbent clerk of Superior Court, is unopposed for the Democratic nomination. William Dallas Herring of Rose Hill is the only candidate for the board of education.

Democrats seeking nominations as constable are W. B. Kissner of Magnolia, Grover Boyette of Beaulville, E. Hampton Kennedy of Beaulville, Ray Batchelor of Chiquapin, N. L. Tadlock of Calypso, Frank Jones of Rose Hill, J. F. Butts of Wallace, W. F. Williamson of Kenansville, Ward H. Carlton of Warsaw, J. F. Futrel of Chiquapin, Norwood Dixon of Rose Hill, Ralph Langston of Faison, S. C. Dempsey of Rock Fish, Paul Lee of Albemarle, H. E. Proctor of Wallace, Robert M. Cavenaugh of Rose Hill, Tommy Griffin, Beaulville and M. B. Cavenaugh of Wallace.

Justice of the peace candidates on the Democrats' ticket on May 29 will be C. E. Sitterson of Kenansville, Garland Kennedy of Wallace, J. L. Williams of Kenansville.

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(In The News & Observer) by George F. Penny

Two airmen were killed and two others injured late Thursday afternoon when their C-110 Flying Boxcar exploded in the air between Sarecta and Cabin.

And the family of Hardy Graham, Negro, of Sarecta were terror-stricken as parts of the plunging and spinning plane struck their front porch.

Mary Lee Graham and her five children were in the home at the time. The mother suffered shock and received treatment in a physician's office in Kenansville.

The names of the dead were not released.

Time of the crash was placed at 4:20 p.m. and an investigating crew from Seymour Johnson Field at Goldsboro were on the scene an hour and a half later. Rescue operations were conducted by occupants of a jeep who had radio contact with a search plane.

An engine of the giant plane dug a hole about a foot deep into the black top of Highway 11 about a mile from Sarecta and wreckage of the plane was scattered over a square mile area. The Sarecta road connects with Cabin. Parts of the wreckage were found three or four miles from the scene.

Four airmen were aboard the plane when the explosion occurred. The two men who stayed with the plane perished. The two who used their parachutes survived.

Jumping to safety were Captain Irvin B. Wilson, navigator, and 2nd Lt. Eldon Olsen, co-pilot, whose injuries are not regarded as critical.

Capt. C. P. Shearer, Public Information Officer at Seymour Johnson said one of the survivors was taken to military hospitals in the area.

Capt. Wilson was given emergency treatment by Dr. R. L. Shackelford of Mount Olive before being transferred to a hospital. He confirmed that only four men were aboard the plane.

Capt. Wilson was attired in civilian clothes since the plane was on a routine training mission. The C-119 was flying from Seymour Johnson Field in Operation Taccor 54-7. This is an Air Force exercise in conjunction with the Army's atomic warfare exercise, Flash Burn, centering at Pope Air Force Base and Fort Bragg.

Cpl. T. G. Brooks of the State Highway Patrol stationed at Wallace one of the first to reach the scene, said the plane exploded in mid-air and plunged straight to earth.

One of the dead was burned beyond recognition and had to be removed from the wreckage of the plane. The other was found burned under a wing of the plane and was saturated in oil.

Names of the dead are being withheld pending notification of the next of kin.

Ashe Miller, of Millertown, said he heard an explosion and went to the crash site. He quoted a witness as saying a "twin-fuselage plane exploded in the air and fell."

Several farmers in the crash area said they heard a "whoosh" looked up, then saw debris of the plane in the air.

Fire Chief Lauren Sharpe of Kenansville brought a dozen of his firemen to the scene early tonight to extinguish the flames.

Members of the Tri-County Electric Co-Operative of Goldsboro strung lines along the road at the crash scene and furnished electric lights for the investigators.

A near tragedy was averted when a Marine helicopter piloted by Lt. James Austin lost its propeller and dropped to the scene. But details of the incident were not available.

The Air Force said the burned plane was not engaged in an equipment or troop drop in connection with Flash Burn, which opens tomorrow morning.

Planes of the 464th Troop Carrier Wing of Lawson Air Force Base, of which the crashed plane was a part, had been making formation flights throughout the day.

The crash drew scores of farmers from their crop work to the crash scene.



Two Duplin Boys In Cattle Show

Two Duplin County boys will exhibit beef cattle in the Southeastern Fat Stock Show and Sale at Wilmington, on April 21 and 22.

These 4-H Club members will be in competition against boys and girls from twenty other southeastern counties. Phil and Mike Goodson each have two fine beef animals and will be competing for prizes ranging up to \$100.00.

In the picture Mike is shown putting the finishing touches on a permanent wave on one of his steers while brother Phil is holding the halter. For the past week the boys have been busy washing and grooming their animals. Each steer has to be clipped (given a hair cut) washed and its hair curled and waved for the show. This enables the boys to show their steers at their very best.

Phil and Mike purchased their steers at the Feeder Calf Sales last fall. The steers weighed between 400 and 550 pounds when they were purchased and after a winter of good feed and ready for some saleable table. At present the animals range in weight from 800 to 950 lbs.

Phil and Mike are the sons of Mr. and Mrs. John Goodson of Mt. Olive.

Whiskey Charge

Johnny Barden was arrested by deputies Houston and McKay for possession of 4 1/2 gallons of non tax paid whiskey, last Saturday. After a hearing, Barden was released under a \$400 bond for appearance to County Court May 30.

Capital Theatre To Re-Open May 1

Mr. C. E. Quinn, owner of Capital Theatre in Kenansville, announced this week that he had leased it to L. A. Ellis and J. G. Yarborough of Wilmington. The Messrs Yarborough and Ellis plan to move their families to Kenansville as soon as living quarters can be found. They will open the theatre on May 1st. Watch next week's Times for official announcement.

Emmett Kelly Heads Grady P.T.A.

At the last meeting of the B. F. Grady P.T.A. Emmett Kelly was elected president for the next year. Mr. Kelly succeeds Mrs. Swain. Mrs. Hess Davis was elected vice-president and Miss Grace Baker secretary-treasurer.

Commander McMillan To Install Warsaw Legion Post Officers

Post 127 of the American Legion in Warsaw will have its 1954 installation of Officers meeting on Friday night at 7:30 p.m. on April 30th with Department Commander McMillan as special or Guest of Honor. This is the first time in many years that Post 127 has been honored by a visit from the Department Commander and a really big night to be long remembered by the members and guests is being planned by Post Commander Walker McNeil and Adjutant Wilbert S. Boney. There will be a dinner before Commander McMillan performs the duty of installing the new officers and this will be a Ladies night at the Legion Home in Warsaw with Members wives or girl friends invited. There is a possibility that Department Adjutant Nash McKee may be a special guest of the Post

Results Spelling Contest Held Here

The finals of the spelling contest which was sponsored by the Duplin County Board of Education were held at the Kenan Memorial Auditorium on Wednesday, April 21. Callers were Mrs. Deane Hundley, Wallace; Mrs. Leland Grady, Beaulville; and Miss Emily Rivenbark, Rose Hill. The judges were Mrs. Anne Dail Craft, Kenansville; Mrs. Christine Williams, Albemarle; and Mrs. George Carr, Rose Hill.

In the first group, grades one through four, the first place winner was Kaye Swinson of the Calypso School; the second place winner was Benny Fountain of the Chiquapin School.

In the second group, grades five through eight, the first place winner was Mary Yarn Wilkins of the Rose Hill School; the second place winner was Walker Stevens, Jr. of the Warsaw School.

In the third group, grades nine through twelve, the first place winner was Louis Tyndall of the Beaulville School; and the second place winner was Gloria Maready of the Chiquapin School.

Wiley B. Royal Killed Near Faison

Death claimed Wiley B. Royal, white, age 16, of Route 3, Clinton Tuesday morning at 4:30 3 miles north of Faison on Highway 80 when he lost control of the 1951 Chevrolet pick-up he was driving and ran into a tree. The accident was due to an excessive rate of speed according to reports. He suffered a crushed chest and broken hip.

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Saturday Is Community Day In Pink Hill N.C.

Pink Hill, April 21 - Pink Hill Community Day, Saturday, May 1, promises to be the biggest day in the life of this growing community along the Lenoir-Duplin line, because this is the day former Governor W. Kerr Scott will present free bull yearlings to 36 successful contestants in the March 3rd walkathon from Kingston to Hargett's Store, who beat Scott's 1919 time of six hours.

Chairman Tom Davis said plans are virtually complete for the gala event, which will begin with a 12:30 p.m. luncheon at the Pink Hill School Cafeteria for the 36 contestants, members of the Governor Scott's party and the press and radio representatives. Registration for a free drawing for another gift calf will be limited to persons not living or working in Pink Hill, Davis stated. Mrs. W. Guy Hargett of Hargett's Store is serving as co-chairman with Davis.

John E. Johnson, vocational agriculture teacher at Pink Hill school, has issued invitations to Future Farmers of America in 36 schools throughout Eastern Carolina to come and serve as call attendants at the event. The stock event was arranged to further encourage the FFA members in their livestock development program, according to Davis.

The Duplin County Band and the Spring Hope School Band have been invited to appear in the parade. Ceremonies will begin at 2 o'clock in the heart of Pink Hill, with special recognition for all who have had a part in the walkathon and the calf distribution program.

Former Governor Scott will give each of the 36 successful contestants a calf in person and two other gifts will conclude the program - the free calf to the person receiving it, and a calf for Mrs. Alice Aycock of Kingston, radio announcer on whose program the walkathon got its unexpected start while Governor Scott was being interviewed in February.

Attendance at the event is expected to exceed 5,000 persons, according to Davis. Original plans called for a special barbecue for the event, but inability to figure the number expected made it essential to change the program and hold it in connection with the Pink Hill Community day program for encouragement of livestock production throughout the area, Davis pointed out.

Davis expressed appreciation to all who are cooperating to make the event a success. He pointed out that the rounding up of the calves, which required contacts throughout North and South Carolina, was greatly expedited by the N. C. Jersey Cattle Association and its Wallace representative, Melvin Cording.

W. Tom Davis

WHY I WANT TO GO TO THE SENATE

by J. R. Grady

I would like to be your next Senator and represent this County and District in the next North Carolina Senate. I ask this favor of you humbly. If you decide to vote for me (and please do) I will give my very best in time and service looking after the interests of all of Duplin.

During the past decade our County has made great strides forward. We want to continue going forward into a greater day for Old Duplin. We want to see the income of every family increase. To accomplish this we must have some outside help. When I say outside help I mean outside money coming into the county. We need more industry. I would like to see at least one small industry, with a weekly payroll, in every town and community in the county, and I believe it can be done. It will be done if we keep continually plugging and never give up hope. Hope and faith can accomplish almost anything.

I hope and believe that if you send me to the Senate I will be in a position to make the right contacts and convince some folks that Duplin is a good place to invest their money. I believe that to get something done one must work hard hand in hand with his fellowman. He must give and take. I believe that work will accomplish more than flowery speeches. I think I know enough about the workings of our Senate to understand how to get in there and pitch with the fellows and catch something coming our way.

I believe all of you know me well enough to know that Bob Grady is for Duplin first. On this premise I stake my case and ask your vote and support for the State Senate on May 29th. I will not let you down.

Jaycees Plan To Fight Rats Here

The Kenansville Junior Chamber of Commerce at its Regular Meeting, Friday, April 16th, decided to investigate the prospects of having a "Rat Control" program or a "Rat War" in Kenansville. It was brought to the club's attention that Kenansville is infested with rats and that many citizens have tried to poison them, but that unless there is a town wide program, the rats cannot be controlled.

A committee consisting of Wiley Booth, chairman, Cy Teitelbaum, Allen Dunn and Vernon Reynolds was appointed to investigate the rat situation and feel out the sentiments of the Kenansville citizens to such a program.

The Nursery Department of the Warsaw Baptist Church respectfully requests the presence of all Infants and Boys Two Through 3 Years (Not enrolled in other churches) for the Opening of its new church home Sunday, April 25, 1954, 9:45 A.M.

Separate Department rooms have been provided for these groups:

SLEEPERS	Oct. 16, 1953 to Oct. 15, 1954
CREEPERS	Oct. 16, 1952 to Oct. 15, 1953
WEEPERS	Oct. 16, 1951 to Oct. 15, 1952
LEAPERS	Oct. 16, 1950 to Oct. 15, 1951
SEEKERS	Oct. 16, 1949 to Oct. 15, 1950

Groupings arranged by School Entrances dates in order that a child may be in the group with whom he will start to public school. (The Beginner Department will follow the same grouping upon its move into the new building.)