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## Editorial

An anti-whammy bill has been introduced into the North Carolina legislature by Lenoir County representative Tom White.

The bill is designed, if passed, to make use of the whammy and other electronic speed detectors useless to the North Carolina Highway Patrol. In effect, it means that the speed maximum of 55 miles per hour on the public highways of North Carolina will be eliminated.

White has stated that he desires that when the whammy or other electronic devices are used that one, an expert be attached to each whammy for its operation; and two, those using the device be in full view of the motorist.

This bill, it seems to us, has been presented without even a minimum amount of thought. We know, through personal experience, that once the car of a Highway Patrolman is seen by a motorist the initial impulse is to slow down regardless of speed. For example, we have been traveling on the open highway at a rate of speed less than the maximum allowed by law, see just the two cables across the highway used in checking speed and automatically we hit the brakes.

We have a theory and firmly believe in it, that the highway patrolmen of the state of North Carolina should have the privilege of parking out of view of motorists in order to catch them speeding. Common sense tells us, that should this bill pass, it will handcuff the efforts of the highway patrol in its gigantic task of decreasing the number of fatalities on our highways each day, month, and year.

We think the men of the highway patrol are intelligent and competent enough to set up and operate the whammys and other electronic devices which are used at present in checking speed of motorists.

We would like to suggest to Mr. White that if he would like to do something constructive for the highway patrol that he use his knowledge and influence in getting a much needed salary raise for the men who patrol our state highways in an effort to protect our lives.

—Paul Barwick

### SELLING COCA COLA OR A COMMUNITY TAKES CONSTANT ADVERTISING

A few days ago, we saw in a mail-order catalogue just the thing we wanted. It was priced at only \$4.95, postpaid, so we decided to send away for it. But while walking down to the post office here in Fremont, we peeped to see the very same item in the window of local store on Main Street, priced at \$4.00.

Of course we tore up the order we were going to send out of town. We were glad to save the 95 cents, and just as glad to be able to patronize a local merchant. But glad as we were, we didn't feel very cordial toward that merchant. So far as we could tell, he had made absolutely no effort to let us or anyone else know that he could save us money by shopping with him. We wondered, too, how many other people got their orders off for merchandise from out of town before they found that they could have bought it in Fremont for less.

We hear a lot about trading at home, and we believe in it. But the obligation here lies at least 60 per cent with the merchant. If he does not advertise his business and his wares he has no basis for complaint when Fremonters are "sold" by the advertising of out-of-town business places.

So often, when they are approached about advertising we have heard merchants say such things as: "I've been here a long time. The people know me and know where I am. I don't need to advertise." But too many times that merchant has been so comfortable in the thought that people know him and are coming to him, that he hasn't noticed the new store down the street that has a new stock in advertising and is drawing the business.

We might say that every man, woman, and child in the United States have heard of Coca Cola, just to pick a product at random. But in every magazine you pick up there is still an advertisement for Coca Cola; you see it several times as you go down a street and you hear it as often on radio. The people who make that soft drink are well known, and so is their drink. But they know the fickleness of the buying public. If people aren't reminded of you, they soon forget you.

It's the same story with merchants or communities. There are some of our Goldsboro and Wilson merchants who are doing an effective job of selling themselves, their businesses and their town through regular advertising. And we are not speaking only of the Sketch as a medium. But what we want to say is that if you as a merchant are not advertising your self, you are actually not living up to your part of the responsibility for helping to improve our community.

## INVITATION

The Board of Trustees of Duplin General Hospital and

The Duplin County Hospital Building Committee Cordially Invites you to attend the formal dedication services and hospital Open House Sunday, February 27, 1955, at 2:00 p.m. Kenan Memorial Auditorium Kenansville, North Carolina



A project that gave Wallace youngsters lighted, asphalt tennis courts also helped the town win a \$1,000 first prize in the 1954 "Finer Carolina" contest. A 1952 winner, Wallace used part of the prize money awarded by Carolina Power & Light Company to complete the project. Private citizens contributed. The labor was done by high school students, shown setting a backstop post.

## Plans For New Methodist Church At Sarecta Now Taking Shape

First efforts for a new organization Sunday School and church at Sarecta got a good start last Sunday, according to an announcement by Rev. H. M. McLamb, supt. of Goldsboro District of the Methodist Church.

A Sunday School was started at 10:00 with 44 present and Mrs. Carey Williams acting as Sunday school superintendent.

The Rev. Mr. McLamb preached the first sermon at 3:00, with 70 persons present. He announced that he will hold a revival there in May with plans to organize a church at the end of the revival.

Methodist Laymen will preach at 11:00 each Sunday, Feb. 27 through April 10. After that Rev. J. R. Reagan of Pink Hill will preach each second Sunday at 3:00.

Services are held in the old Sarecta school building.

## Beulaville Sewing Center Is Opening Saturday Morning

The grand opening of Beulaville's newest business, the Beulaville Sewing Center, will be Saturday morning.

Walter T. Hardister, a native of Carthage, is manager of the store. Among the brands are: Nechci Sewing Machine, the Brother Automatic Sewing Machine, which which sews backwards as well as forwards, makes button holes, sews on buttons and over 100 other different designs. The Brother Syn-cromatic, a general household sewing, Brother Deluxe, for the budget minded family are also stocked.

Expert repair on all makes and models of sewing machines can be had at the Beulaville Sewing Center.

## Robert Kelly Is In Hospital With Wounded Right Leg

Robert Kelly, of the Summerlin's Cross Roads section in northwest Duplin County, is still in Sampson County Hospital with a burst bone in his left leg after being shot Saturday night following an argument.

Being held in Duplin County jail under \$500 bond is Edward Price, who admits inflicting the wound. Sheriff Ralph Miller, who investigated with the assistance of Deputy W. O. Houston, reported today that Kelly has been receiving Army disability payments for injury to his right leg while in service. His left leg, the one shot, was in good condition. The .22 caliber rifle bullet shattered the bone between the knee and hip.

## Presbyterian Men Of The Church Plan Fall Rally At Wallace

Wallace has been selected as the meeting place for the Annual Fall Rally of the Men of the Church of the Presbyterian Men of the Church of the South.

The decision was announced following a meeting Sunday of the General Council of the group at Wallace.

The 1954 Spring meeting in the small southern Duplin town attracted more than 400 delegates from the Whiteville to Morehead City area embraced by the Presbytery.

In other action the Council decided to get strongly behind the Forward With Christ Movement launched at New Orleans last fall. In order to acquaint lay members of the church with the movement a series of meetings on the district level will be conducted during March. Leaders will discuss with representatives from each church the improvement and familiarize them with the overall program of the movement.

At the time, McGowan reported that tax collections for January were \$42,242.14, approximately \$5,800 above the collection for January 1954.

He also brought out that a penalty of \$1,000 or 10 per cent of valuation, whichever is greater, went into effect February 1, for all persons listing 1955 taxes after that date.

## Scouting Units To Participate In Dedication

Scouting units throughout Duplin County will participate in the dedication of Duplin General Hospital, February 27.

Mrs. Christine Williams, chief scoutess, says Scouters, representing four sections of the County, will lead the doors open at the hospital entrance.

An Explorer Scout from the Wallace Post, Boy Scout from Rose Hill Troop, Cub Scout from Calypso Pack, and Girl Scout from B. F. Grady Troop, will be at the doors.

In addition, Scouts from every Troop, Post and Pack in the County will participate in the program by either assisting with traffic direction, holding doors, serving as messengers and assisting the ladies who will be preparing and serving tea.

## House Furnishings School On Feb. 28

An Extension Specialist in House Furnishings will be in Duplin County, at the Agriculture Building in Kenansville, February 28, to discuss picture framing.

The House Furnishings Leaders Training Meeting will begin at 2 p.m.

## World Day Of Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. May thy kingdom come. We thank thee on this World Day of Prayer for the presence of thy spirit which binds us as peoples of every race and land into one great Christian fellowship.

May each one of us become more aware of the needs of people everywhere — the lonely, the sad, the hungry, the cold, the homeless, those who suffer from the iniquities of man. Help us to reach out to them in love and to feel a deep sense of kinship.

As we face man's desperate need in this troubled world, may we not be frightened or dismayed, but have greater courage, and greater faith in his love and power as they are revealed to us through Jesus Christ.

Give us a clearer understanding of the way of life for all mankind. May we be victors and not victims in the struggle for righteousness.

Abide with us not only as we pray together this day but in a continuing fellowship. Amen.

February 25, 3:45 p. m. at Kenansville Baptist Church.

## Musical School At Wilmington

Dr. Arnold Hoffman, of the Department of Public Instruction, and members of his staff will be instructors at a musical training school in Wilmington, Feb. 22.

All choir directors, choir members and accompanists of church and community singing groups are urged to attend.

Each person will be responsible for his or her transportation and meals.

Mrs. Pauline Johnson, home agent, says, "Dr. Hoffman was kind enough to come and meet with us, and so, I hope we will show our appreciation by making every effort to attend the meeting."

## Duplin's Farm Home Administrator's Office Was Moved Here Last Friday

The Duplin County Farm Home Administration Office was moved on Friday, February 11, 1955, from its present location in Warsaw, N. C. to Kenansville, N. C. The office will be located on the second floor of the just recently completed addition to the agricultural building in Kenansville. This move is to accomplish the long time plan of housing all county-wide agricultural agencies in one building.

The Town of Warsaw for the past fifteen years has been very cooperative and helpful in providing office space and facilities for the Farmer's Home Administration Office.

## \$350,000 Consolidated High School To Be Constructed Near Teachey

### Esso Station Under New Management

Houston Howard of Pink Hill is the new manager of the former Westbrook Service Station in Pink Hill, taking over the management on January 31. Mr. Howard is a native of Pink Hill and is married to the former Miss Mary Ella Smith. They have one daughter, Frances Grace.

Mr. Howard states that he will handle all auto accessories including Ward Riverside tires and will give complete car service.

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Construction of a \$350,000 consolidated high school at Teachey, will begin this fall, according to County Superintendent of Schools O. P. Johnson.

Johnson said the school will be made up of the high school grades at Wallace and Rose Hill schools.

At present, Wallace has eight teachers and Rose Hill, seven. With four vocational instructors, the consolidated high school will have a total of 19 teachers when it begins classes.

The construction of a consolidated high school was initiated by the residents of the school districts, Johnson said. The same was true with the construction of a consolidated high school between Faison and Calypso. The school for these two schools will be ready for classes in the Fall of 1955.

It is felt by the educational leaders of Duplin that the work through the Kellogg Foundation has had a great deal to do with the trend toward consolidation.

With Superintendent Johnson and the County School Board cooperating to the fullest with the Foundation studies, the people of Duplin County have seen the need for better instruction for the children.

One of the chief problems studied under the Foundation grant was "Why do students drop out of school before graduation?"

Through parent participation in the studies, it was learned that the school programs, in small schools, is not diversified enough to hold the interests of students.

It was determined that through consolidated high schools a more diversified program and course of study could be offered; thus, increasing the possibility of holding the students in school.

There is still a move afoot to construct a consolidated high school for Kenansville, Warsaw and Magnolia somewhere between the three communities.

### He Fell In The Pot Without A Shot From Briley

Patrolman Briley of Wallace took out after a Pontiac speeding on highway 41 Saturday night on the Wallace - Chinquapin road. He chased the car, going at a high rate of speed, through Tin City. After crossing the hump at the Boney Mill Pond, which almost threw the Pontiac out of control, the driver, Mathis Sharples, Negro, crashed a stop light and made a right turn at the Legion hut. Going past the ball stadium he took another turn and came to a stop in a dead end street. Briley was still pursuing. Mathis jumped from his car and dashed across another highway to his side and landed in the septic tank in back of Major Pearsall's house. Asked if he cleaned him up, Briley said "no, I made him get into his auto and drive it to jail, where he was lodged on charges of speeding and wreckless driving. Wonder if Mr. Pearsall has closed up his septic tank yet?"

### Farm Labor Meet To Be Here

A farm labor meeting will be held in the Agricultural Building in Kenansville on Thursday, February 24, at 1:30 p. m. to discuss the possibility of getting out of state labor to help harvest tobacco.

Mr. C. B. Gilliam, Assistant State Farm Placement Supervisor and Mr. J. M. Hunter, District Farm Placement Supervisor for the N. C. State Employment Service, will be at the meeting to discuss the possibility of getting labor from other states to help harvest tobacco.

Mr. Hunter said that he thought it would be possible to get labor from other states without having to pay transportation this year.

Farmers who attend this meeting can decide what wages they are willing to offer to out of state labor.

All farmers who are interested in getting labor to harvest tobacco are urged to attend this meeting and discuss their needs with Mr. Gilliam, and Mr. Hunter.

V. H. Reynolds County Agent

### Educational Meetings Scheduled For Farmers In Duplin February 18-23

Three educational meetings have been scheduled for Duplin County Farmers on February 18, 19, and February 23. Extension Specialist from State College will be at these meetings to give the latest recommended practices on Feed Crops, Commercial Vegetables, and sweet Potato production, according to V. H. Reynolds, Duplin County Farm Agent.

The first of these meetings will be held in Faison High School Auditorium on February 18, from 9:00 a. m. to 11:30 a. m. Mr. Albert A. Banadyga, Extension Horticulture Specialist, will conduct this meeting on Commercial Vegetables.

Mr. H. M. Covington, Extension Horticultural Specialist, and Mr. Howard Garriss, Extension Plant Pathologist, will hold the second meeting at State College on February 19, at 2:30 p. m. in the Magnolia High School Auditorium.

The third meeting, a Feed Production School will be held in the Court House in Kenansville, beginning at 10:00 a. m. on February 23. Mr. W. G. Westmoreland, Extension Weed Specialist, will be on the program from 10:00 a. m. to 12:00 o'clock to discuss Commercial Weed Control. Dr. E. R. Collins, who is in charge of Agronomy Extension Work at State College, will discuss Crop Fertilization from 2:00 to 4:00 p. m.

All Duplin County Farmers and other interested people are urged to attend these meetings and get the latest information on these subjects which will be discussed by these specialists from State College.

### Duplin County HD Clubs Preparing Cookies For Tea

Duplin County Home Demonstration Clubs are cooperating 100 per cent with the dedication of Duplin County General Hospital, February 27.

According to Mrs. Christine Williams, chief hostess for the occasion, the Home Demonstration Clubs are baking all cookies which will be used during the tea from 3 to 6 p. m.

Mrs. Pauline Johnson, home agent, and Miss Mae Hoyer, assistant home agent, are instructing the work. Twenty-eight clubs in the County are baking cookies.

### Cliffs Attendance Given For Week; Facilities Ready

Attendance at the Cliffs of the Neuse increased during the past week over the previous seven - day period.

According to Superintendent Russell Kormegay, attendance for the week ending February 13 was 855. The highest visitation in one day was Sunday, February 13, when 288 persons viewed Cliffs facilities.

Recent rains have helped considerably in filling the 11-acre lake at the Cliffs. About three weeks earlier, it lacked five feet going over the spillway. It still lacks around four feet.

### 14 DEGREES

The cold blast that struck Duplin last Friday after the balmy spring weather sent the thermometer tumbling to 18 degrees Saturday morning and Monday morning registered a low of 15 degrees, the coldest weather of the winter here.

### Duplin County One Of Eight Counties In U. S. To Get Detailed Soil Survey

Duplin County was one of eight counties in the United States to get a detailed soil survey completed in 1954.

George Penny, Duplin Soil Conservation director, said the work has been in progress for the past eight years under the direction of E. F. Goldston. He is conducting the surveys through the land grant colleges and extension departments.

Penny says the results of the survey are to be printed in booklet form by the United States Department of Agriculture.

During the period, every acre of ground in Duplin County was gone over. Soil types were made. In the end, it was determined that there are over 100 soil types and sub-soil types in the County.

Results of findings will be available for farmers in checking on farms and other necessary aspects of soil in connection with farming.

At present, the maps are available through the Soil Conservation District Program, in Kenansville.