



Straight from the Shoulder — Right from the Heart of Duplin

Killed; Another Hospital; Another Wounded

Final Payment Received From State, Federal Government On Projects

Final payment by the State and Federal Government has been received for their share on the Duplin County Health Center and Nurses' Home.

Falson W. McGowen, County Auditor, said final payment was received Tuesday.

Total cost of the Health Center was \$53,239.96 with the State paying \$21,019.56; the Federal Government, \$27,399.80 and Duplin County \$4,820.60.

The final payment received on the Health Center was \$425.13 from the State and \$900.50 from the Federal Government for a total of \$1,325.63.

Total cost of the Nurses' Home was \$95,125.26 of which amount the State paid \$31,821.05 and the Federal Government paid \$40,558.98 while the county's share was \$22,745.23.

In the final payment on the Nurses' Home the State paid \$1,900.71 and the Federal Government paid \$2,509.16 for a total of \$4,409.87.

Final share of the State and Federal Government on the Hospital has not been received, according to McGowen. However, the plans and approval are in the final stages.

Commodity Stabilization Service, U. S. Department of Agriculture, has been associated with the tobacco industry for a long number of years. He has served in many different capacities and has a thorough understanding of the problems confronting tobacco growers.

Following the business session, a period will be devoted to general discussion at which time any member will have an opportunity to ask any question or make any statement on any phase of the Stabilization operations.

Williams-Waller Clan Reunion Held At Grady

Between 150 and 200 members of the Williams - Waller Clan gathered at B. F. Grady School on Sunday for their 1955 reunion, which is held on the third Sunday in June each year — the nearest Sunday to the birthday of the late Nan Waller of Duplin County.

Mrs. William Waller, vice-president, presided and called the session to order. The group sang "Faith of Our Fathers" as the opening song. Sam J. Waller conducted the devotional program. Dr. R. L. Sumner presented the speaker, Dr. Coy W. Waller of New York City, who spoke on the rapid development of wonder drugs, vaccines and other pharmaceuticals during the last two decades. He is the head of the pharmaceutical field, but he noted that his company has not made any of the Salk anti-polio vaccine to date.

New officers were elected as follows: Albert M. Stroud of Kingston, president, and Mrs. Wayne Nobles, secretary - treasurer. Retiring officers were President William Waller, Vice - President Mrs. William Waller and Secretary - Treasurer Katherine W. Carr.

The business and speaking portions of the program were held in the auditorium of the school, while the picnic luncheon followed in the cafeteria. The closing song was "Blest Be The Tie That Binds." Estelle W. Sumnerlin was accompanied. Clayton Sumnerlin was chairman of the program committee and Stephen A. Waller headed the entertainment committee.

The clan is comprised of descendants of the late David and Penelope Williams of Lenoir County and the late Stephen and Nan Waller of Duplin County. The oldest father at the session was Joe Williams, 85, of Kingston, route 5. He was recognized in honor of Father's Day.

Farmers Urged To Attend Tobacco Meet Three New Regulations For '55 Given

The farmers in this farming area are urged to attend the annual convention of the Tobacco Stabilization Corporation which will convene in Raleigh, June 24, tomorrow.

"With the many problems now facing tobacco growers, the support of every individual grower in all phases of the tobacco program is of utmost importance," according to W. M. Griffin, member of the State Board from Seven Springs.

Under the new program, which was adopted March 21, 1955, there are several new regulations which will have to be observed this year.

There are three regulations which will be observed this year:

- (1) The new penalty rate which applies to marketing excess tobacco. The new rate is 75 percent of the market average of the previous crop.
- (2) The elimination of credit for over-planting. In the past, consideration was given to a grower who over-planted his allotment in anticipation of increased allotment in future years.
- (3) If a grower fails to report a tobacco on his farm, the tobacco on that allotment for the following year will be reduced by the amount not reported.

Business to be transacted includes the election of three new directors.

The feature address of the meeting will be made by Joe R. Williams, Deputy Director, Tobacco Division.

General Store Robbed Of \$200 Worth Of Goods

General Store of Mary Pope, near Rose Hill, was robbed of approximately \$200 worth of merchandise Monday night.

Sheriff's Department reports the investigation continues. Among the items taken were: lard, meat, canned milk, overalls, cigarettes, cigars and flour.

Investigating are Sheriff Ralph Miller, Chief Deputy N. D. Boone, and Deputies R. M. Byrd and Bertice Fussell.

42.2 Per Cent Social Security Payments To Mothers, Children

Of the \$18,572.00 in monthly social security benefits being paid in Duplin County at the end of 1954, \$7,844.00, or about 42.2 per cent, went to mothers and children. The balance of \$10,728.00 was paid to retired workers.

These local figures for old-age and survivors insurance payments reflect a national trend, Mr. Avera pointed out. In the country as a whole, there were 4,886,480 people receiving benefit payments at the end of 1954 — nearly a million more than in December 1953.

Mr. Avera stressed the importance of these benefits, the greatest of the only source of income to many of the families who received them.

"Two out of three people now reaching age 65 can qualify for old-age and survivors insurance benefits," he said, "and nine out of ten mothers and children in the country are assured of survivors benefits in case of the death of the family breadwinner."

Money to pay these benefits comes from the old - age and survivors insurance Trust Fund, which is built up from social security tax contributions of workers, their employers, and self - employed people.

In all, 562 people in Duplin County were receiving - \$18,572.00 each month in benefits under the old-age and survivors insurance program at the end of the year.

One reason for the increase in payments over 1953 was the passage last September of the 1954 Amendments to the Social Security Act. These amendments increased all benefit payments and made it possible for the first time for survivors of some workers who died after 1952 and before 1950 to qualify for payments.

Beginning in September 1954 the amendments permit the dropping of up to 5 years of lowest earnings in figuring the worker's average monthly wage. This has the effect of increasing the average earnings, from which the monthly payments are figured.

Other improvements in the law made by the 1954 Amendments went into effect in 1955, and therefore are not reflected in the benefit figures for the end of 1954. Among these were the bringing of many more employees and self - employed people under the law and the beginning of the "disability freeze" which protects future benefit rights of former workers who have become totally disabled.

Mr. Avera pointed out that nine out of ten mothers and children are now protected by old - age and survivors insurance in case of the death of the family bread - winner and that in the entire country about half of the children whose fathers have died now receive benefit payments. In Duplin County at the end of

Inspection Of Privies Started

Privies and sewerage systems in Duplin County are getting a thorough inspection from Duplin County Health Department Sanitarians.

Dr. John F. Powers, County Health Officer, said today that Sanitarian Bill Byrd has started the inspection in the Wallace section. Cooperation with the officials has been good so far, Dr. Powers says.

Under a State Health Law, if a house is within 300 yards of another house which is occupied, it must have an approved privy or an inside toilet.

The entire county is to be covered and inspected by the Sanitarians. In addition to privies being inspected, septic tanks are also being checked.

Cliffs Attendance

Attendance at Cliffs of the Neuse State Park for the week ending June 19 is released by Park Superintendent Russell Kornegay.

The largest attendance in any one day was Sunday, June 19, when 130 persons were at the Park. Total visitation for the week was 4,797.

Organized groups visiting the Park were: E. T. U. Mount Olive Baptist Church; Girl Guard, Salvation Army, Wilson; Bob Self Sunday School Class, Tabernacle church Goldsboro; State Capital Life Insurance Company Employees, Kingston; Rod and Gun Club, Goldsboro; Boy Scout Troop No. 8, Wilson; Jason Sunday School Class, LeGrange Presbyterian Church; Intermediate Class, Bear March Baptist Church, Mount Olive; Girl Ambassadors, Seven Springs Baptist Church; Young Adult Class, Rainbow Methodist Church, Snow Hill; E. B. Lashley Birthday Party, Pikeville.

Hook's Family Reunion, Fremont; Young People's Class, May's Chapel; Free Will Baptist Church, Dudley; Sunday School of Piney Grove Free Will Baptist Church, Albemarle; Hubert Stroud Family Reunion, Trenton; Shackelford Family Reunion, Walsenburg; Sauls Family Reunion; Raleigh; Robert L. White Birthday Party, Dover; Robert P. Jones Family Reunion, Kingston; L. Brewer Family Reunion, Faison; and J. H. Lovett Family Reunion, Snow Hill.

Lake Tut Worker Knifed In The Back

Joseph Harvey, colored worker at Lake Tut was admitted to Duplin General Hospital from a knifing "in the back by two men he does not know."

Harvey's job is putting bumper signs on cars, at the lake. While working out side the boat, he noticed two men selling bottles, whiskey and immediately reported it to the police on the ground. The police went to investigate, but the men ran out through a tobacco patch and were not caught. Later Harvey, busy at his job, asked two men if they wanted a sign on their car and they replied they did. Harvey leaned over to put on the sticker and the men jumped on him and began slashing his back with a razor and a pocket knife. He screamed for help and the men fled.

Harvey suffered one long deep laceration and several other cuts. Reports from the hospital, this morning, were that his condition is good. He had been released from the hospital yesterday from an attack of food poisoning.

Melvin Williams In Forestry Camp As Winner Of Duplin Forestry Contest

Melvin Williams, Duplin County Forestry Winner for 1955, is in Forestry Camp at Camp Millstone this week, on an all-expense paid trip.

He is the first Duplin County winner under the new program sponsored by Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company and conducted by the North Carolina Agriculture Extension Service.

Ed Simpson, Assistant County Agent said the program provides for best forestry program in the county to be selected by the County Agent.

The project is now on display at the Calypso Veneer Company.

Ed Simpson was one of two assistant county agents in the 17-county district of which Duplin is a part who was selected to attend the Forestry Camp along with Melvin for his outstanding work with forestry projects during the past week.

For Melvin and Simpson, the trip includes all transportation expenses and room and board for a week.

A boy eligible to attend forestry camp but one time.

Melvin is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Williams, of near Pink Hill.



MELVIN WILLIAMS
Lelham Williams, of near Pink Hill.

New Nurses Employed At Duplin Hospital As Second Floor Opened For Patients

Second floor of Duplin General Hospital has been opened.

Jim Wilkerson, Hospital administrator, said there has been a marked increase in the number of patients since the second floor has been opened. Prior to the opening of the second floor, the census was running from 12 to 18 per day, Wednesday morning there were 29 patients in the hospital.

Four new nurses have been added to the staff. They are Mrs. Mary P. Bowden, from Wallace; Mrs. Clarence Warren, from Warsaw; Mrs. Willford, from Bowden; and Mrs. Roscoe Daniels, who is a Licensed Practical Nurse.

Miss Grace Baker has been employed in the bookkeeping department.

Air conditioning in six of the private rooms is now in operation, Wilkerson said.

Dr. Paul Black, Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat Specialist from Wilmington, is at Duplin General Hospital each Wednesday morning.

Chest X-Ray Program Getting Good Response From Duplin County People

Duplin County Health Department Chest X-Ray program is in full swing.

Dr. John F. Powers, Duplin Health Officer, said today that the "program is working. The response is good."

Mrs. Ruby Kornegay, X-Ray technician said since April 1, 391 persons have received chest X-Rays.

Dr. Powers points out that anyone who desires to have a chest X-Ray can do so by coming to the Health Center or even if they have names.

"Although the X-Rays are taken in the Duplin General Hospital," he said, "a person must first register at the Health Center before the X-ray can be taken."

He also informs that the clinic is held only on Wednesday afternoons from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. "We want to encourage those persons wanting X-Rays to be on time," he said. "When we say we will close at 4 p.m., that's the time that will be observed."

A fee of \$1 is charged for the expense of taking the X-Ray and processing it.

Although the program is designed primarily to detect tuberculosis, the chest X-ray can detect cancer of the lungs and various heart disorders.

Briefs

**BY J. R. GRADY
NEW MAYOR**

Phil Kretsch, local banker, will take over as Mayor of Kenansville July 4 as "yours truly" steps out.

Also Joe Quinn will become a new member along with incumbents Oliver Stokes, Ralph Brown, Lee Jackson and W. M. Ingram. They had a grand parade on Monday.

On Monday we set out for Sarasota, the winter quarters and home of the Ringling Brothers and Barnum Bailey Circus. Enroute we went to Gainesville and toured the University of Florida, which is a beautiful place, but will not compare with the University of North Carolina and Duke. From there we went to the Gulf of Mexico and cruised on down to Sarasota.

At Sarasota we stopped at the Sarasota Terrace Hotel, which is being advertised in this paper. We've stopped at many a hotel but never one to surpass the Sarasota Terrace. The service was as near perfect as one could wish, the food just "Out of this World" and rates were reasonable. They didn't treat you as a guest exactly but more like a member of the family. The rooms are large, overlooking Sarasota Bay. Just out the side door is a swimming pool for children as well as grownups, and a shuffle board court. If you don't want to drive they have a hotel limousine to carry you where you wish to go.

Be sure and visit the John and Mable Ringling mansion, the Ringling Zoo and Ringling Museum of Art. The interesting thing about this hotel is that the kitchen is on the first floor and the Terrace dining room atop the 10th floor. Music nightly. Sarasota is a beautiful town. The water in the Gulf is warm and nearly as clear as White Lake. Fishing in the Gulf is exceptionally good. The summer is the time to go to Florida for generally rates are lower than in the winter season.

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The rains during the past few (Continued on Back)

Legionnaires To Play All-Stars At Warsaw

The newly formed Semi-Pro Baseball team of Warsaw which is sponsored by American Legion Post No. 127 will play the Beaulieu All-Stars at Warsaw this coming Sunday, June 27th, at 3:00 p.m. in their opening game. The Warsaw Legionnaires are still in the process of being formed and all young men interested in playing some Semi-Pro baseball around Warsaw this summer are asked to come out for a try-out on Sunday afternoons. Anyone interested in playing may contact Wilbert Boney at the City Shoe Shop in Warsaw. The Legionnaires would like to play any team in this area on a home and home game basis on Sunday afternoons. Any team interested may write to Wilbert Boney, Box 432, Warsaw, N. C.

Some well known young men around Warsaw are on the team such as Allen Draughn Jr., H. E. Register, Gene Holland, Alfred Herring, and Frank Killelte. Several of the better High School players such as Hughie Lewis, James West, Wayne Davis and Charles Braswell are out also. Others expected out to play when the team is a little better organized are Bobby Porter, W. C. Tew, Alfred West, Jerry Davis and Charles Godbold.

Youngsters that are out now are really trying hard to play with the more experienced boys and Bobby Melton, Bobby Braswell, Johnny Godbold, Walter Rouse and Hubert (Coca Cola) Merritt. All local baseball fans are asked by Commander Robert West and other Post 127 officers to come on out to the High School Park on Sunday afternoons and give the boys a little help and this invitation applies especially to Post No. 127 members.

Three Births At Duplin Hospital During Past Week

Three births were recorded at Duplin General Hospital during the past week.

A baby boy was born June 18, to Mr. and Mrs. Richard Ezzell of Warsaw. Mrs. Ezzell is the former Miss Beulah Mae Shalton.

A baby girl was born June 21 to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Brock of Warsaw. Mrs. Brock is the former Miss Mary Ellis West.

A baby boy was born June 22 to Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Wallace of Route 2, Mount Olive.

Wallace, June 20 - One man was killed and two other people were wounded, one critically, in a fight that followed an argument over a pint of liquor near here this afternoon.

Frank Simmons, Jr., 30, died of a pistol wound under the left arm. Officers were holding Earl Bruce Fennell, 27, in the slaying. He received minor wounds in the back. Fennell was critically wounded during the fray was Fennell's mother, Mrs. Bertha Hayes, about 60, who tried to break it up. She was taken to Kenansville Hospital with wounds in the left arm and the left thigh and stomach.

Deputy Sheriff Norwood Boone said Fennell claimed he shot Simmons and tried to kill him.

Deputy Boone gave this account of the shooting:

Simmons and Fennell were drinking and an argument developed over a pint of liquor at the home of George Glover about a mile west of Wallace on Highway 41.

Simmons went to his own home and returned with a .22 caliber pistol. On the way back to the Glover home, Simmons met Fennell on highway 41 near the Glover home. Fennell said Simmons "just started shooting" and Mrs. Hayes attempted to break up the fight.

After she was shot, Fennell wrestled the gun from Simmons and shot him at close range. Powder burns were found on Simmons's shirt and body.

Coroner Garland P. Kennedy said an inquest will be held this week. He did not set a date.

Tri-County REA President Expresses Hope For Buggs Island Power Soon

Important Meeting For Duplin Farmers Tomorrow Night To Discuss Tobacco

A meeting has been called for the Courthouse in Kenansville Friday night (tomorrow) at 8 p.m. to discuss Tobacco Quota, Tobacco Associates Referendum and the Social Security Referendum for farmers.

The Tobacco Quota and Tobacco Associates Referendum is to be held July 23.

It is pointed out by LeRoy Simmons, Duplin County Farm Bureau president, that "if we lose these two programs it will mean less Foreign Sales of tobacco and an end to support prices."

The vote on July 23, will determine if farmers of tobacco want the controls on tobacco and the Tobacco Associates to continue for a period of three years.

Simmons points out that although the Farm Bureau will have an important part in the meeting Friday night, it is not a membership meeting and no one will be asked to become a member of the Farm Bureau.

"We want every tobacco farmer and merchant and interested person in Duplin to attend the meeting," Simmons said.

A report will be given on the work of the Farm Bureau during the recent session of the North Carolina Legislature in keeping the tax off tobacco products, feeds, seeds, fertilizer and adjusting tax on farm machinery.

Also to be discussed will be the Farm Bureau Service program, which makes insurance available for hospitalization, automobile, fire and life for members.

Charlie W. Williams, Extension Farm Management specialist from North Carolina State College, will be at the meeting to discuss the Social Security Program and how it affects farmers.

The Social Security program for farmers went into effect January 1, 1955 and is for all farmers having a net income of 400 or more. Those falls under such a category will have to pay Social Security.

Relocation of a section of high-voltage power lines will necessitate a power interruption Sunday afternoon in southern Duplin County, according to J. C. Maulsby, local manager for Carolina Power and Light Company.

Power will be off between 1:00 and 1:15 Sunday afternoon, June 26. The area to be affected includes Warsaw, Turkey, Magnolia, Kenansville, Beaulieu, Chino, Pine Hill, Charity, Teachey, Wallace, Tin City, Washburn, Willard, Fenderlee, Burgaw and Harrells.

Maulsby explained that early afternoon was chosen as the time a power interruption is least likely to cause customers inconvenience.

The latest request will permit line men to make repairs in sub-station. Crews will take advantage of the outage, Maulsby added, to perform maintenance work that would be dangerous with lines energized.

The committee's report said that it "trusts" the Department of Interior steps to alleviate the situation and stop the unnecessary loss of revenue to the federal government.

At issue is a three - year battle between the cooperatives and CP&L over the way Buggs Island power shall be transmitted to the cooperatives.

Reo, John Riley (D-S.C.) who considered the issue, said that the committee's attitude is that the power company agreed to "wheel" this power several years ago.

The committee believes, he said, that the type of contract the government already has with the Virginia Electric and Power company should be negotiated in this instance.

Under the VEPCO contract, the government sells power directly to the Virginia cooperatives and five co-ops in the company's service area in North Carolina. VEPCO wheels the power to the cooperatives over its own lines, and by separate contract "firms" the power so that a steady flow of electricity is available to the cooperatives.

Teens To Spend Summer In Europe

Leslie Weil and Harold O'Tuel, rising seniors of Goldsboro High School sailed from New York June 20, on the U.S.S. Langfitt for a three months stay in Europe. Miss Weil will stay with a family in Sweden while O'Tuel will live with a family in Finland.

The students were nominated by the Student Association of Goldsboro High School and their names submitted to the American Field Service. O'Tuel was selected as the first nominee and Miss Weil was selected as an alternate.

The program is to increase understanding and friendship by giving American teen-agers an opportunity to live with families in foreign lands. The theme of the program is "Youth Can Bridge A Gap."

These students have been outstanding during their school year. Harold is now serving as State Vice President of the Student Council Congress and will be president of the Goldsboro Student Association during 1955-56.

Miss Weil is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Weil, Harold is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Prentis O'Tuel of Goldsboro.

Nature Study Hikes At Cliffs Are Organized; Park Naturalist Ready

"Cliffs of the Neuse State Park, as in previous summers, has begun its nature study program.

This year, regularly scheduled nature study hikes are planned. The hikes are conducted by the park's naturalist, James P. Gillespie. Regular nature hikes are held on Sunday afternoons at 2:30 and 4:00 o'clock and on Wednesday and Saturday afternoons at 2:30.

In addition to the regularly conducted hikes, special groups may request the service of the naturalist for special hikes or for nature talks at any time except on Mondays. It is suggested that persons interest-

Bald Cypress and Spanish Moss of the Coastal Plain. The sharp change in elevation in the park shows very distinct changes in the types of vegetation to be found.

The park personnel hope that the general public will take advantage of the nature study program offered this summer. This service is offered to the public without charge.

All mail relative to the use of the nature study program should be addressed to: Naturalist, Cliffs of the Neuse State Park, route 2, Seven Springs, North Carolina.