

Bids Totalling \$189,274.05 Let For Wallace - Rose Hill High School

Bids totaling \$189,274.05 have been let for the construction of the new Wallace - Rose Hill consolidated high school, according to School Superintendent C. P. Johnson. A general contract of \$189,274.05 was awarded to Coastal Construction Company, of Rose Hill.

The electric contract for \$3900 was awarded to Duplin Electric, of Wallace.

Clyde E. Whitley received the contracts for plumbing and heating at a bid price of \$10,149 and \$14,875 respectively.

The total amount includes the architect's fee.

Johnson said the new school will have approximately 400 high school students the first year and 17 teachers, including home economics and vocational agricultural teachers.

The new school will not have an auditorium, lunchroom or gymnasium when school begins in the fall of 1956.

Johnson informs that hot meals will be served to the high school students in containers after it is prepared in the lunchrooms at Wallace and Rose Hill.

The new school will be located between Wallace and Rose Hill on a 25-acre tract of land.

Duplin County has been taking the leadership in high school consolidation in North Carolina.

Such a high school has been constructed between Calypso and Faison and is called the North Duplin High School.

There is a move afoot to have another high school built for the students at Kenansville, Warsaw and Magnolia.

After the last three high schools are consolidated in Duplin, it will probably bring to an end high school consolidation in the county.

B. F. Grady, Beaulieu and Chinquapin are not geographically located to each other to make high school consolidation practical, Johnson advises.

Handel's Messiah To Be Given Warsaw High Sunday Night; Sketch Of Handel

CHRISTMAS BROWN

The Christmas portion of Handel's "Messiah" will be presented by the Warsaw Methodist, Baptist and Presbyterian Church on Sunday night, December 18th, at 8 p.m. in the Warsaw High School Auditorium. This is the first time such an oratorio has ever been performed in Warsaw and it reaches deep into the heart of the cultural life of this area.

George Frederick Handel, a German musician who wrote 41 Italian operas as well as 18 English Oratorios, has had a naturalized Englishman in 1728.

He had his ups and downs in England. He was long independent of court favor; in a day when "mere musicians" were looked down upon.

In 1741 Handel received from Charles Jennens selected words of Scripture which were to be the basis of the "Messiah".

In August of that year he wrote the whole oratorio, putting it on paper in 24 days. He did not leave his house during that time.

His biography tells us that when he had completed Part II with the "Hallelujah Chorus", his servant found him at his writing table, tears streaming from his eyes.

Handel said, "I think I did see all Heaven before me, and the Great God Himself."

The oratorio was performed first in Dublin, Ireland, April 13, 1742. At this performance, Handel played the organ. Ladies were requested "not to come with hoops this day" and gentlemen were "desired to come without their swords." Thus they made room for a larger crowd.

When "The Messiah" was first given in London, King George II attended. He was so moved by the "Hallelujah Chorus" that he rose to his feet and remained standing until the last chords had died away.

The audience rose with the king, starting a custom that has remained for two centuries in England and America.

No lines tribute could be paid to "The Messiah" than that by the critic, Rafael Kammerer, who on the occasion of the works biennial in 1942 remarked: "In the two hundred years that have come and gone since 'The Messiah' first brought tears to the eyes of its creator and filled with him with visions of Heaven and the 'Great God Himself', it

Robert Royall Fatally Injured In Head-On Auto Crash At Grady School

Robert (Bobbie) Royall, 21, of the Stamford community in Wolfesboro Township died at 12:45 a.m. Sunday from injuries sustained in an auto wreck near the B. F. Grady School.

Royall, who was driving alone, collided with an auto driven by Haywood G. Kennedy, 27, of near Beaulieu on N. C. 11, according to State Highway Patrolman B. D. Burge, who investigated.

Burge said Kennedy rounded a curve traveling east at a high rate of speed, swerved across the center of the highway and hit the Royall car head-on.

Kennedy is reported in serious condition. A passenger in the Kennedy car, John C. Whaley, 16, also of Beaulieu, escaped with minor injuries.

Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. Monday from the Stamford Presbyterian Church, of which he was a member, with the pastor, the Rev. T. O. Bird, officiating. Burial was in the Roberts family cemetery near the home.

Surviving are his aunt, Mrs. Mary Quinn of Mount Olive, R. 2, by whom he was reared; one brother, Preston, of the home; and one sister, Mrs. Bill Sneed of Carolina Beach.

At a coroner's inquest Kennedy was charged with manslaughter.

Accidents Take Three Lives In Duplin In Less Than A Week; Wrecks Proliferous

Leroy Simmons Re-Elected President Of Duplin County Farm Bureau For '56

Leroy Simmons was re-elected president of the Duplin County Farm Bureau in the annual meeting held in Kenansville.

Simmons has been president of the Duplin organization for several years with the County chapter being one of the outstanding units in North Carolina under his leadership.

Simmons, a native of Duplin and presently residing in the Albemarle section, is in the farming and grain business.

Other officers elected were Mrs. David Williams of Rose Hill, vice president; Directors: David Lane, Faison township; Ralph Barwick, Kenansville township; Taft Herring, Glendon; H. L. Pippin, Magnolia; Edd Grady, Wolfesboro; George Sumner, Limesboro; R. A. Smith, Albemarle; Herbert Best, Warsaw; G. H. Blanton, Rockfish; and Kenneth Grady, Smith.

No director was named from Rose Hill and Island Creek townships. There are no Farm Bureau members in Rose Hill township and none of the members in Island Creek attended the annual meeting.

The drive for 1956 membership in the Farm organization will continue through December. It is hoped that the quota of 1,200 will be reached and exceeded. At present there are about 900 official members.

One Near Fatal In Warsaw This A. M. Tanker Jackknifes Here

Extent Of Injuries To Number Not Yet Known; Appears To Be A Christmas Week.

"Red" Southerland, elderly Negro who lives near Kenansville, was fatally injured in an auto wreck Tuesday afternoon about 3 p.m. when the car in which he was riding overturned about six miles south of Kenansville on highway 11. The car, driven by McKinley Monk, and occupied by Southerland, David Lloyd Brinson and a man by the name of Farrior (all colored) was headed south. The 1954 Chevrolet was traveling at a high rate of speed when it approached the curve just south of Elder Branch. It went 185 feet on the left shoulder, cut back across the highway 144 ft to the right shoulder and back to the left where it jumped a ditch, landing in the yard of Henry Sanderson a distance of 100 feet from the highway. Officers said that indications were that the last 23 of the last 159 feet the car didn't touch the ground and apparently spun around in mid-air. It was totally demolished.

The Kenansville Fire Dept. ambulance rushed to the scene and brought three of the men to Duplin Hospital, where they were hospitalized. Southerland died at 4:30 from shock, respiratory complications and internal injuries. Monk and Brinson were seriously injured and are still hospitalized. Farrior escaped uninjured.

Officers said Monk will be charged with manslaughter on his release from the hospital.

Bobby Royal, white, was fatally injured Saturday night at Grady school and Leslie Smith, colored, of Faison was killed near Grady Friday night. Stories of these accidents elsewhere.

Tuesday Wreck

Emerson Williams, colored, age 21, of Rt. 1, Warsaw, wrecked a 1950 Chevrolet Tuesday afternoon when the car hit a stream of sand on a dirt road. The car was reported a total loss.

Wednesday Wreck

About 2 p.m. Wednesday, at the Teachey Crossing on highway 117 about two miles north of Wallace a Buick from a station hit a 1941 Chevrolet from Teachey as the Chevrolet pulled out onto 117 in front of the Buick. Three occupants of the Buick and one occupant of the Chevrolet were injured.

Investigating officers report that the Buick, driven by Herbert Gambell of Wilmington and occupied by Aldin Willets of Carolina Beach and Jesse Schley of Wilmington was headed North from Wallace. Gambell said they were enroute to Goldsboro. The car was going at a moderate rate of speed. The Chevrolet was driven by Mr. Christopher C. Brinkley of Teachey. He was alone. Eye witnesses report that Mr. Brinkley approached the intersection from toward Teachey and stopped. The car instead of waiting for the Buick to pass drove the car out on the highway in front of the Buick. Gambell said he could not cut to the right but cut to the left as quickly as possible and barely missed hitting the Chevrolet broadside. Both cars are reported to be completely demolished. All four men were brought to the Duplin General Hospital where all but one are now hospitalized. Willets was transferred to Wilmington Friday night. The driver, said he was thrown from under the steering wheel and out the right front door.

Thursday Wrecks

This morning about nine o'clock Billie F. Jones, age 20, son of Mr. and Mrs. Simon Jones of near Kenansville, was critically injured when the truck he was driving crashed into an Atlantic Coast Line train in Warsaw.

Jones was returning from an abattoir in Warsaw where he had been to carry some hogs for Roy Dunn of Kenansville. He is employed by Mr. Dunn and was driving Harold Dunn's pickup truck. As he approached the Warsaw - Clinton railroad track he failed to see the train and crashed into it. Jones was thrown from the truck. The truck was a total loss. Jones was rushed to the Kenansville hospital. Extent of his injuries were unknown at press time.

A huge oil tanker jackknifed on highway 11 just north of Kenansville this morning about 9 o'clock as it was headed north with a load of fuel oil. The driver, Frank Hamilton, said a car stopped straddle of the middle line in front of him and he had to apply all brakes on the truck. In so doing it jackknifed to the left, clearing the highway. Little damage was done to the truck. It was a 1948 White truck and trailer belonging to the Royster Transport, Inc. of Shelby. No one was injured.

Ira James Moore, age 16, colored, was driving the Chevrolet, a 1951 model, said he was attempting to make a left hand turn and as he reached the middle of the road he saw the tanker through his rear view mirror. He turned back to the right shoulder as quickly as possible. The tanker did not hit the car. He was cited to court for failing to yield the right of way.

Briefs

10th Fatality

"Red" Southerland became Duplin's 10th fatality on our highways during 1955. Wonder what the final count will be on December 31st? It's up to us drivers. Drive safely and Live.

From Friday, last through Monday of week Duplin reported three fatalities.

During 1954 Duplin registered only 7 fatalities.

BACK HOME

Faison McGowan, County Auditor returned to his home today from Duplin General Hospital where he has been a patient for several days. He has been suffering with Chicken Pox. A report got out he suffered a heart attack but this report was erroneous. Mr. McGowan expects to be back in his office Monday.

ATTENTION

The Times will issue a day earlier next week in order to give our help more time off for Christmas. Please get your news and advertising in earlier.

HAS IT BEEN COLD THIS WEEK

Duplinites have really felt winter weather this week. The weatherman fooled us though by promising snow last night. It did rain this morning before day, how, we don't know as the thermometer read 32 degrees. Monday night it registered a low of 19 and Tuesday night a low of 20 degrees in Kenansville.

TAX LISTERS TO MEET

Duplin County Tax Listers will meet in the county commissioners room with Tax Supervisor, Mr. McGowan, here Monday morning at 10 o'clock to receive instructions and supplies. It is very necessary that every lister be present.

Christmas Program

At 5:30 p.m. next Sunday a community Christmas program will be given at the Kenansville Baptist Church.

MRS. PARKER AT DUKE

Mrs. Lula Parker was carried to Duke hospital a few days ago where she is undergoing bone surgery on one of her arms.

PATIENTS

Duplin General Hospital reported thirty three patients Wednesday night.

SENATOR JOHNSON

Senator Rivers D. Johnson is confined to his home in Warsaw with illness. He has undergone two operations recently.

3 DUPLIN GRADUATES

Seventy-six students completed their work at East Carolina College at the end of the Fall quarter. The following Duplinites will receive their diplomas with their classmates at Commencement exercises in May: Benjamin Warren, Mt. Olive; Mary Susan Brown, Magnolia and Mary Elizabeth Packer, Warsaw.

Dr. O. S. Matthews of Warsaw

Dr. O. S. Matthews of Warsaw was admitted as a patient in Duplin General Hospital Wednesday night. He is expected to be in the hospital only a short time.

Wanted At Duplin Hospital

Mrs. Margaret Dail, housekeeper at the hospital here asked us to send out a call to the homes in Duplin for discarded magazines, cards, especially Old Maid; checker boards; dolls; toys, etc. She says patients get mighty homesick at times, especially the children and need something to occupy their time. Anyone having any of these items that are not too far gone who wish to give please take them to Mrs. Dail at the hospital.

Dr. Hundley New Chief Of Staff

At a meeting of the Duplin General Hospital Medical Staff here last Friday night Dr. Deane F. Hundley succeeding Dr. E. P. Ewers of Warsaw. Dr. J. S. Blair, Jr., of Wallace was named assistant Chief of Staff and Dr. George Matthews of Rose Hill was named Secretary - Treasurer.

SHOPPING WEEK LEFT

Help Fight TB

1955 CHRISTMAS GREETINGS HERE

Buy Christmas Seals

Harvey Arnold, Coy Hall To Get Hearing In Raleigh Tomorrow

Two Duplin County Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Committee members fired for alleged irregularities in granting new-grower tobacco allotments will be given a hearing in Raleigh Friday morning.

Harvey D. Arnold, of Rose Hill, and Coy Hall, of Beaulieu, former chairman and vice chairman respectively on the Duplin Committee, were discharged by State Committee action November 21.

Last week they petitioned for a hearing.

Horace Godfrey, manager of the State ASC office, said that the hearing will be held in the State Committee office at 10:30 Friday morning.

O. Albert Outlaw Awarded \$4,250

Albert Outlaw, Duplin County politician and legislator, was awarded \$4,250 damages Monday in a civil suit filed against Dr. H. W. Crumpler and William Jones both of Mount Olive.

The suit was filed on July 25 in Duplin County and asked compensatory damages of \$25,000, as the result of an alleged affray which occurred in the spring.

The judgment by Superior Court Judge Henry L. Stevens of Warsaw, was against both defendants.

Trial of the damage suit was begun Monday as court opened for the week of civil actions. A jury had been drawn, but was later dismissed as attorneys settled the suit out of court, about 1 p. m. Monday.

Joe E. Sloan Is Elected To Soil Conservation Post

Joe E. Sloan, of Chinquapin, was elected District Soil Supervisor for Duplin County in last week's County-wide election.

Duplin is one of four counties in the Southeastern Soil Conservation District composed of Wayne, Lenoir, Sampson and Duplin Counties.

Sloan's term will continue for three years.

There are three supervisors from each county in the District which are instrumental in the work of the Soil Conservation service in North Carolina and the district.

The announcement of Sloan's election came from George Penney, head of the Soil Conservation in Duplin County.

Duplin Negro Fatally Injured Friday Night

Leslie Smith, Sr., of Faison, died in Duplin General Hospital Friday, from injuries received when hit by a car driven by Walter Freeman Parker, Negro, 33, of Turkey, Rt. 2, seven miles west of Faison at 11:30 p.m. last night.

Smith, 69-year-old Negro, was hit while walking on the left side of the road, according to the investigating officer, Patrolman E. C. Ray, stationed in Warsaw.

Parker was charged with driving on the wrong side of the road, which resulted in the death of Smith. He is being held under a \$3,000 bond in Kenansville.

Parker was driving a 1951 Pontiac.

'Tidings of Joy' At Pink Hill Church

A cantata entitled, "Tidings of Joy" will be given at the Pink Hill Presbyterian Church at 7:30 p.m. Sunday, December 18. The director is Mr. Johnny Watlington and Miss Dorothy Carol Stroud is in charge of the music.

The public is cordially invited to attend.

Beaver Award Goes To Two Scouters Debruyne, Bryan

(From News-Argus)

Silver Beaver Awards were presented to A. L. (Tony) Debruyne of Wallace and Bryan Bryan of Mt. Olive at the 32nd annual banquet of Tuscumans Council held Thursday night at the Goldsboro Country Club. The awards were made by Glenn Grier, Jr., of Smithfield, Scout commissioner.

The Arrowhead Honor for troop leadership was presented to Paul Rose of Troop 7, Adamsville, and Willie Thompson of Troop 57, Goldsboro. Francis (Buck) Taylor of Goldsboro received the Faircloth Award, a new award for attendance at training sessions. Jim Fletcher of Mt. Olive received the Scouters' Award and a Scoutmaster's Key was awarded to Frank Quetta of Post 35, Wallace.

Guest speaker was Dr. J. D. Messick, president of East Carolina College, who called the Boy Scout movement "one of the great mediums through which we may appeal to the imagination and interest of the young."

Messick said that by developing character and inquiring minds, Scouting helps young people to become "sufficiently well informed to be unimpressed or uninfluenced by foreign ideologies."

President Byron Bryan and all other officers of the council were re-elected.

Carolina Telephone Planning Big Expansion Program For Next Year

The largest expansion program in the history of Carolina Telephone and Telegraph Company, one involving an estimated expenditure of \$12,000,000, is scheduled to be undertaken during the coming year.

This was announced today by L. W. Hill, President of the Company.

To meet the ever increasing demand for telephone service in Eastern North Carolina during the past half decade, the Company expended over \$38,500,000 for expansion of telephone facilities in its 41-county territory. Largest annual expenditure of the last five years was made in 1951 when the Company outlay for expansion approached \$8 million.

\$2 MILLION FOR OUTSIDE PLANT

Largest single block of the 1956 program, some \$5 million, is scheduled to go into construction of additional outside plant. This outside plant includes poles, cables, wires and other facilities that are to be extended in both urban and rural areas to provide new and increased telephone service. Major outside plant projects are contemplated for more than 35 of the Company's exchanges.

RURAL PROGRAM TARGETS 50 PERCENT RECORD

Of the \$5 million appropriation for outside plant expansion, some \$2,000,000 has been allocated to pro-

vide additional telephone service to rural areas. This appropriation is by far the largest ever made for the provision of rural service.

On schedule for construction for the Company are over 100 different projects to provide rural service to different areas throughout the Company.

President Hill stated that the Company expects to install about 8,000 telephones in the homes and businesses of rural subscribers during the coming year.

LOCAL DIAL EQUIPMENT AND TELEPHONES

Well over \$4,500,000 has been allocated for the purchase and installation of additional local dial equipment in various central offices and for new telephone instruments and related wiring.

At least 38 exchanges of the Company are scheduled for expansion or replacement of their local dial or manual equipment. This part of the 1956 program will coincide so far as possible with outside plant expansion which has been or will be made and will enable the Company to provide new and upgraded telephone service in the various exchange areas.

During 1956, according to President Hill, the Company expects to install approximately 37,000 telephones. However, this will result in a probable net gain of only about 10,000 telephones since it is anti-

Letters To Santa

Kenansville, N. C.
December 12, 1955

Dear Santa,

I am a little girl 5 years old, and I have a little sister who is 2 years old. I would like for you to bring us a baby doll and carriage, also a cow girl suit and anything else you would like to bring us, please don't forget all the other little boys and girls. Thank you.

Cheryl & Glenda

County Offices Will Be Closed Beginning Dec. 24

Duplin County's officials will have an extended Christmas vacation this year. The County Board of Commissioners has voted for all County employees to be given a full four-day vacation.

All office affected will close at the end of the work-day Thursday, December 23, and will open again after Christmas on Tuesday, December 27.

Included in the closing are the offices of: Clerk of Court, Register of Deeds, Auditor, Tax Collector, Sheriff's Department, Welfare Department and Health Department.

The County Farm Agent's office will also be closed along with the Home Demonstration Agent's office. Miss Haze is taking her annual leave and will not be back in her office January 2.

Mrs. Vallie Oxley, secretary for the Agents, is taking her annual leave also and is going to California with her husband. She will return to work sometime after the first of the year.

Christmas hours for the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation department were not complete today.

Production Credit Association, in Kenansville, will also observe the same holidays as the County offices.

Duplin Votes For Cotton Control

Duplin Farmers went to the polls Monday to participate in the cotton referendum. 1358 voters were eligible and only 206 votes were cast, 199 in favor of control and 16 against. Six ballots were challenged.

Notice

All Duplin County schools will turn out Wednesday, December 21, next, for Christmas Holidays. County Superintendent O. P. Johnson said classes will resume on Monday, January 2.

BLOODSHED BOXSCORE ON N. C. HIGHWAYS

RALEIGH — The Motor Vehicles Department's summary of traffic deaths through 10 a. m., December 12.

Killed this year: 1075

Killed to date last year: 919

If safety is worth a life, drive and walk carefully!

Mail Those Cards And Packages Now For Christmas

It's late, Christmas is almost here. But, there are those persons who are guilty of not having mailed packages and Christmas cards.

Our postmaster is asking all people in this section to please consider in getting their Christmas cards mailed this week.

He points out that it is not only here that packages and Christmas cards are tied up. It's in the big mail distributing centers where mail gets tied up in the rush of Christmas," he said. "Folks just don't realize what a big job it is to get such a big volume of mail sorted and sent to the right place. If their packages are late arriving at the place they send it for Christmas, they are angry without realizing that they are the one in fault because they did not mail the packages or Christmas cards in time."

As last year, if anyone desires to write a note inside Christmas Card, it requires a three-cent stamp. A regular Christmas Card with just the name signed can be mailed for two cents. Being sought for violating postal regulations regarding writing notes in cards without proper postage results in a severe fine if caught.

Funeral Services For D. Frank McGowan Held Sunday

David Frank McGowan, 70, prominent farmer of Kenansville, died Saturday morning at the home of his sister, Mrs. Oscar Best in Warsaw, after declining health for the past two years. He was born on April 13, 1885, and was the son of the late Sarah Elizabeth Stokes McGowan.

Funeral services were held from the home of Mrs. Best on Sunday afternoon at 3:00 o'clock by Rev. H. M. Baker, pastor of the Warsaw Baptist Church, assisted by the Rev. Norman Flowers of the Warsaw Presbyterian Church and the Rev. Lauren Sharpe of Kenansville Baptist Church. Interment was held in the family cemetery near Kenansville with Masonic rites.

He is survived by one sister, Mrs. Best, three nephews, David Charles Miller of Warsaw, Robert James McGowan and Randall McGowan and three nieces, Mrs. Florence M. Barr, of Little Rock, Ark., Elsie McGowan of Charlotte and Mrs. J. K. Hall, Jr., of Belmont, N. C.

Births Recorded Hawes Clinic

The following births were recorded at the Hawes Clinic in Rose Hill during the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Norwood B. Fussell of Rose Hill, a daughter, December 10.

Mr. and Mrs. Eddie West of Rose Hill, a son, December 10.

Births Recorded Duplin General Hospital

From December 5 through the 14 the following births were recorded at Duplin General Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Julius Sanderson of Kenansville, a daughter, December 5.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Ingram of Faison, a son, December 6.

Mr. and Mrs. N. O. King of Faison, a son, December 6.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul E. Dail of Kenansville, a son, December 9.

Mr. and Mrs. D. H. White of Beaulieu, Rt. 1, a son December 14.

Mr. and Mrs. James Parker of Warsaw, a daughter, December 14.

ANSWER YOUR Christmas Seal Letter TODAY

It was announced today by Hugh S. Johnson, Jr., Christmas Seal Sale chairman that although Christmas Seal returns have reached only 1201 citizens of Duplin County have responded to their Christmas Seal Sale appeal letters. Tuberculosis can be controlled through an adequate health education program and medical research — 2 of the purposes of the Christmas Seal.

Mr. Johnson stated that if you have not made your contributions to do it today and be a part of the crusade against a disease that causes more deaths than any other disease between the ages of 15 and 34.

If each person in Duplin County who received seals would make a contribution — large or small — funds would be raised to promote a TB program powerful enough to control and eventually eradicate this dread disease in Duplin Co.