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Youth Killed Beulaville When He Stagers In Front Of Auto

A 16 year old victim of cerebral palsy who first walked about three years ago was killed near Beulaville today when he was struck by a car.

"Duplin County Coroner Gerald Kennedy of Wallace said Jerry Simpson Henderson who walked with difficulty, "staggered" into the path of a car driven by Joseph Mack Lewis 78 of Mount Olive.

The coroner ruled the death an unavoidable accident. The fatality occurred in front of the boy's home about two miles from Beulaville on N. C. 111 at 9:30 a.m. Monday.

Funeral services were held at the home Tuesday at 2:30 p.m. The Rev. A. L. Brown officiated. Burial was in the family cemetery near the home.

He survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Archie B. Henderson; two brothers, Bobbie and Tommie; and four sisters, Peggy, Janice, Sue and Bettie, all of the home; his paternal grandmother, Mrs. Eliza Henderson; his maternal grandmother, Mrs. Lillie Sanderson of Middlesex; and his maternal great-grandmother, Mrs. Mollie Sanderson of Beulaville.

Bell vs. Simmons Hearing Is Set For Wednesday

A notice for Examination of the Defendant in the Dora Betty Bell vs. Leroy Simmons law suit has been served on Simmons.

The hearing has been set for Wednesday at 11 a.m. before H. V. Wells, Clerk of Duplin County Superior Court, in the Kenansville Court-house.

The notice, as filed in the Clerk's office says the purpose of the hearing is to "examine the defendant, Leroy Simmons above named, touching the answer filed by him in this case."

It further states that Simmons is his attorney, who is Jesse Jones of Kinston, "is required to be present at the above designated time and place and answer such questions as may be asked him by the plaintiff or her attorneys in respect to his answer filed in this case and relevant and material to the issues raised by the pleadings."

Signing the Notice for Examination of the Defendant were Mrs. Betty Bell's lawyers, H. V. Phillips of Kenansville; Norwood Doney, of Kenansville; and Albin Dunn of Greenville.

Home Demonstration Club Council Hears Mrs. Williams On The 1956 Polio Drive

The Duplin County Council of Home Demonstration Clubs met on January 31, 1956 at 2:30 p.m. in the Agriculture Building, in Kenansville with the president, Mrs. Perry Grady presiding. The meeting was called to order by Mrs. Grady and "Faith of Our Fathers" was sung by the group, led by Mrs. Adrian Davis, county music leader.



SKIN GRAFTS SUCCESSFUL — Little Deborah Freeman, 19 months old, was almost killed in a fire which swept her home two months ago. Taken to Duplin General Hospital, surgeons performed a series of skin grafts successfully. Although badly scared, the little Negro baby is alive and happy.

Freeze Of Last Week Much Needed In Area

Although some farmers and non-farmers will not agree, it is a known fact that the snow, ice and very cold weather of last week was just what the doctor ordered for this area.

For the past three winters, very little real cold weather has hit Eastern North Carolina. On top of this, the ice and snow which was needed so much seemed to disappear during the past three years.

Farmers, who notice such things as the weather with a great deal of interest, inform that the last big ice and snow storm, and freeze, we had was in 1948.

During recent years, there has been a marked increase of insects and those close to the soil give credit for this to Old Man Winter not providing the area with sufficient ice and snow.

Today, a network of asphalt roads, an alert Highway Department which clears the roads of ice and snow soon after it falls, makes it possible for life to continue as usual in towns and throughout the State.

Of course, there are many, many problems still, but the rural areas of just a few years back, are almost totally gone.

Eastern North Carolina needs another freeze, even a bigger one than last week's.

Grady Cub Pack Holds Meeting At Outlaw's Bridge

The B. F. Grady Cub Scout Pack 40 held its monthly meeting at the Outlaw's Bridge Church Wednesday, January 25th. Because of the absence of the Cub Master, the activities were under the direction of Den Chief, Mrs. Frances Powell and Mrs. Christine Williams. Den I presented "The Story of Black Beard" and Den 2 presented the Negro minstrel skit, "The Wedding of Christopher Gismo and Giana."

Angus Morrison received his Lion Badge, 1 gold arrow point and 2 silver arrows. Glenn Williams received his Lion Badge, 1 gold arrow point and 2 silver arrows. Guy Williams received his Lion Badge and a Gold Arrow Point.

Den Chief, Mrs. Frances Powell and Mrs. Christine Williams directed the games during the recreation period. Mrs. Corine Stroud served refreshments. Plans were made for the February Blue and Gold Banquet to be held Tuesday night, February 28th.

Other Committee Meetings: Feb. 21, 1956, Agriculture Building. The meeting adjourned with praying the Club Collect.

Mrs. J. B. Stroud County Publicity Chairman

L. H. Fussell New B.B. Coach

Lucien Holmes Fussell of Magnolia has been appointed to succeed Dale Bucklew as girls coach on February 1. In addition to basketball he will coach base ball in the spring and physical education.

Principal Ray Humphrey and board members are proud to acquire him for a coach for the remaining year. He was born in Rose Hill in 1909 and attended the Rose Hill School and the University of North Carolina. He taught in the Winston-Salem schools, Rose Hill and Magnolia. He was called into active duty with the Navy and discharged in 1946 as a Lt. Commander — again in 1951 and discharged in 1954 as a Commander. He is still with the Naval Reserve, a member of the Lions Club, Methodist and a Mason.

During his coaching in Duplin this girls team set a record with more winning games than losing ones. Beulaville girls hold first place in the county.

Cross Burning In Warsaw Is Now Under Investigation

State and local law enforcement officers are investigating the burning of two crosses in front of two homes in the Warsaw community of Duplin County last week.

Duplin County Sheriff Ralph Miller said today a cross was burned in front of the home of Lester Anderson, a son after midnight last Thursday night. However, it was not found until Friday afternoon.

After mid-night Saturday, another cross was burned in front of the home of Laney Benson, who lives one mile Northeast of Warsaw. Anderson, a first cousin of Benson, lives in Warsaw on Memorial Drive near the high school.

W. E. Coombs, Warsaw Police Chief said today "We have several leads but we cannot determine the identity of the information we have at the present time."

"When asked if officers thought it had any connection with the Klan, Klu Klux Klan or race problem, he said "this possibility is not ruled out but we do not think so."

"We believe it is centered around family troubles," Coombs said, "but again there is nothing definite to release."

State Bureau of Investigation Agent John B. Edwards has been called in to assist with the investigation. T. E. Reveille, Deputy of Duplin, is also on the case.

Sheriff Miller said "I have investigated enough to believe that it is not someone or a group of persons clowning around. It appears to be something more serious than that. One out to play pranks."

Information received from the homes in front of which the crosses were burned saw them on the same day.

The second cross which was burned in front of Benson's home was found in his front yard Sunday morning and reported immediately.

Investigation has been in progress ever since the first cross burning was reported.

New Patrolman Located Here

Willie Rogers, Jr., of Lumberton was sworn in yesterday as a member of the State Highway Patrol and is located in Kenansville. He will ride with Highway Patrol for a few months, while awaiting a new patrolman to receive his car, after which he will receive special training at the academy.

Mr. Rogers, is single, 28 years old, only 23 years old, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Willie Rogers, Sr. of Syracuse, N. Y. He was born in Dillon, S. C. and moved to Lumberton about 8 years ago. He is a graduate of Lumberton High School and attended Catawba College. He is a member of the Highway Patrol since February, 1953 to February, 1955, as a military policeman, before retiring from the Army, he has been with the Coca Cola Bottling Company in Lumberton in the advertising department.

With the coming of the Duplin Patrol personnel is expected to six headed by Corporal E. L. Brooks, of Wallace. Other members are T. A. Bryan, of Wallace; E. C. Burge, Beulaville; E. C. Wray, Warsaw and J. S. Briley, Wallace.

Sen. Scott Will Sponsor Move To Help WW II Veterans Get Insurance

Sen. W. Kerr Scott said today that he will sponsor legislation that would give both World War II and Korean veterans an opportunity to apply for National Life Insurance. In cases where veterans are unable to apply for a life insurance service or let it lapse.

"Figures of the Veterans Administration show very few veterans either never applied for government life insurance, or let it lapse or have it lapse because of a 'left service'."

Scott, who will hold hearings Long in offering the measure. It does not make any distinction as to whether the veteran is a member of the National Life Insurance Co. or not. The bill merely gives veterans a certain period of time to re-apply for life insurance if they have let it lapse."

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