

EDITORIAL

DUPLIN GETS TO WORK

(Editorial by Henry Belk in the Goldsboro News-Argus)

Duplin County is going great guns in an effort to secure designation for a processing plant of a nationally known food manufacturer.

Apparently this big time operator has indicated to the Department of Conservation and Development in Raleigh that it has much interest in locating in Eastern North Carolina. The C. and D. has passed the word along to several of the larger truck crop counties. So several of the counties are working tooth and nail to land the big industrial plum.

It would be a wonderful asset to all of Eastern North Carolina. It would more immediately help the area 25 to 40 miles around the plant site. Such an operation would work wonders several ways. It would be a year-round operation. It would make a large new payroll. It would stabilize truck crop production. Hence it would increase truck crop growing.

Duplin started out to sign up farmers to grow 6,500 acres of truck crops which the processing plant has indicated it would need.

That goal was passed sometime back. The Warsaw Jaycees, aided by leaders of various groups and sections, canvassed personally truck crop area growers. The effort has caught fire. Enthusiasm is aroused.

The canvassers for new truck acreage worked without regard to county lines. They worked in sections which for 50 years have had a history of truck crops. They canvassed southern Wayne and points of Pender, Lenoir, Sampson and Johnston counties.

The goal now is for 15,000 acres.

Wayne does not have a sufficient history of truck crop totals to be a serious contender for the proposed plant.

But Wayne has a sizable area south of Mt. Olive and around Mt. Olive and in Grantham.

Wayne will give all possible help to Duplin in its fight. Wayne farmers already have signed and delivered their pledges to cooperate.

Whatever Duplin needs in the way of cooperation from Goldsboro and from Wayne will be heartily and enthusiastically given.

(Times Editorial Note) Thank you Mr. Belk, Goldsboro and Wayne County. We feel that Duplin folks have the spirit of get-togetherness which it comes to getting things done in a big way. We are mostly farmers. We have no great big industry in our County. J. P. Stevens at Wallace is our largest. We feel now we are going after what really belongs to Duplin in attempting to secure a vegetable processing plant. Before the age of tobacco Duplin was known as a vegetable growing county. We know we have the soil, and our farmers have the know-how. A plant of this nature not only provides employment but proves a guaranteed market for the products our farmers grow. Thus a two-fold benefit to Duplin. We believe we are moving in the right direction.

As soon as this effort is completed Duplin should begin at once in efforts to secure a poultry processing plant. With 2 million broilers in the county; turkey production growing by leaps and bounds and prospects for a greater output of broilers. Duplin should turn its eyes again to an industry that will utilize the products of our farms. Warsaw spearheaded the vegetable processing plant drive. Who will spearhead a poultry-turkey processing plant?—J. R. Grady

Commissioners Pass Resolution Urging 20 Percent Tobacco Acreage Cut Be Placed In Acreage Reserve Of Soil Bank

The Board of County Commissioners were in regular session here Monday. The meeting lasted all day. Most of the accomplishments were routine matters.

They approved advertising for bids on lunch rooms at North Duplin and Wallace - Rose Hill High School.

A resolution was adopted asking that the 20 per cent acreage reduction in tobacco be allowed to come under the Soil Bank program. The resolution went to both U. S. Senators from N. C. and Congressmen Graham A. Barden and Harold Colley was as follows:

Before the Board of Commissioners February 4, 1957

North Carolina Duplin County

WHEREAS one of the purposes of the acreage reserve phase of the soil bank program is to reduce surplus, and further cut production of certain crops, and

WHEREAS the extent of participation by farmers in Soil Bank is determined by the rate of pay per unit and acreage, and the limitation of maximum acreage for each commodity, and

WHEREAS tobacco farmers have been working under difficulties in order to adjust to the 12 per cent acreage reduction in tobacco acreage in 1956, and

WHEREAS the additional 20 per cent cut in acreage proposed for the 1957 tobacco crop, and the discounting of the heavier productive varieties by USDA, which may cut production still another 10 per cent, will cause undue hardship on the tobacco farmers — and particularly the small farmer — and also threaten the whole economic structure of agriculture and business in the tobacco area, as they attempt to adjust to present economic conditions, and

WHEREAS producers of other farm commodities are receiving from 50 to 60 per cent of parity for their acreage reductions, placed under the Soil Bank Program, as it now stands, tobacco farmers will be forced to take a 20 per cent reduction in acreage or production without any compensation thereof, there fore,

BE IT RESOLVED: that the 20 per cent reduction in flue - cured tobacco allotments for 1957 be eligible to be placed in the acreage reserve phase of the Soil Bank, and

That the maximum participation in the case of flue-cured tobacco be restored to five acres or 50 per cent of the allotment, and

That the rate of payment for flue cured tobacco placed in the Soil Bank be raised from 18 cents per pound to at least 50 cents per unit, which is a comparable percentage to that for other farm commodities under the Soil Bank Program; and

That the Congress now in session appropriate the necessary funds for these needed soil bank requests.

Board of County Commissioners E. R. Kelly, Chairman A. C. Hall, Member Lott Komegny, Member Leon Brown, Member J. B. Stroud, Member

Attested: Christine W. Williams, Clerk, Duplin County Board of Commissioners

Dairy cows are creatures of habit and respond best when fed and milked at regular intervals.

There is no substitute for accurate complete records when computing income tax, say family living specialists at State College.

Contracts Definitely Awarded For Construction New Consolidated High School; Be Completed In Early Fall

Contracts totaling \$150,000 have been let for the construction of a consolidated high school in Duplin County.

The new high school will be located between Kenansville and Warsaw and will consolidate Kenansville - Warsaw Magnolia high schools. There will be a student enrollment of around 400, according to O. P. Johnson, Superintendent of County Schools.

The new school will have a faculty of 18 or 19.

General Construction Company of Rose Hill, was awarded the general contract at a price of \$150,000. Kingston Plumbing and Heating Co. of Kingston, received both the plumbing and heating contracts at \$10,000 and \$14,000 respectively.

H. C. Cook, of Calypso, was given the electrical contract for \$13,000.

Johnson points out that another contract, which will be for around \$55,000, will be let in July for the construction of a lunchroom at the new school.

At present, plans call for the Warsaw - Kenansville - Magnolia school to be occupied soon after the beginning of the 1957-58 school year. Johnson says he hopes students will be in the school sometime around the middle of September or first of October.

Later this month, Johnson said, contracts will be awarded for the construction of lunchrooms at both North Duplin high school and Wallace - Rose Hill High School.

When the new school is completed and lunchrooms constructed it will mark the end of a high school consolidation program which has been highly successful in Duplin County during the past several years.

Johnson has pointed out many times that the fact that this high school consolidation program originated with the people of Duplin County is the factor which has made it such a success.

M. B. Holt Company Succeeds Holt-Simmons; Perry Smith New Manager

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Norwood Boone Gets 2 Still Outfits

Deputy Sheriff Norwood Boone captured a 60 gallon submarine type still and two barrels of mash Friday afternoon 2 miles southeast of Magnolia. His tip off came from evidently the operator, however there was insufficient evidence to make arrest. The still was not in operation.

On the night before Boone went to Snyder Dempsey to the home of Robert Hooks near the scene of the still to serve a paper. As soon as he saw Robert he smelled highly of mash. His trousers were nearly soaked with it. The next day Boone went back of his home, through a patch of woods onto another piece of property and found the still.

On Sunday Boone captured a 250 gallon submarine type still and two barrels of mash about one mile north of Teachey on the west side of the railroad. The still was cold.

Briefs

CORN MILL BURNS
A corn mill at Chinquapin was destroyed by fire last Saturday. Owner of the mill was not learned. The Kenansville, Beulaville and Wallace fire departments were called. The building housing the mill was practically destroyed when the local fire truck arrived.

HEARING FOR HERRING SAT.
Justice of the Peace C. C. Hester will hold a hearing in the case of James Herring, defendant, and Eric Harper, plaintiff, Saturday afternoon in his office here at 2:00 o'clock.

Harper alleges that his brother in law, Herring, shot at him in front of his home in Albion, near Holt's Store on January 29th. Two pistol bullets entered Harper's car as he was sitting in the car. Herring is charged with assault with a deadly weapon and is free under a \$300 bond. They are double brothers in law. Harper married Herring's sister and Herring married Harper's sister.

MRS. TAYLOR RESIGNS
Mrs. Thelma D. Taylor, Duplin Welfare Superintendent for the past several years has resigned effective February 28th. Two prospective successors have been interviewed and another is now being contacted. Mrs. Taylor will join her husband in Virginia.

TO GOLDSBORO
Sheriff Ralph Miller went to Goldsboro Tuesday to carry Willie Chasen, colored, to the state hospital for insane, there.

TAX COLLECTIONS
Tax Collector Harry Phillips reports that \$50,940.89 was collected in January; \$40,597.65 was for 1956 taxes and \$9,343.24 for taxes from 1955 to 1956.

BRITISH SCIENTIST COMING
Gerald D. Heath of the British Embassy in Washington will speak to the Rose Hill P.T.A. meeting Monday night, February 11. He will discuss civil defense in Great Britain during World War II. The public is cordially invited.

JAILED HERE OVER WEEK END
Ralph A. Hill, 45, charged with driving drunk, careless and reckless driving, out on \$300 bond; Marvin Elwood Cherry, 38, driving drunk, possession of non tax paid whiskey, held in jail; Raymond B. Creech, 38, charged with driving drunk, careless and reckless driving, out on \$300 bond.

Duplin Farmers Over Double Requirement In Acreage Towards Securing Processing Plant

Tractor Maintenance School Be Held Here Feb. 13 For All Duplin Farmers

On February 13, at 1:30 p.m., a tractor maintenance school will be held at the Agriculture Building in Kenansville for all Duplin County farmers.

Many times tractors are carried to shops to have simple adjustments made that could have been made at home very easily had the operator known how. Tractors also are worn out too quickly because of improper care.

J. C. Ferguson and John W. Glover, Engineering Extension Specialists, from State College will conduct the tractor school and will stress: General principles of the tractor engine, Air cleaners and their service, Motor oils and lubricants, Oil filters and their service, Carburetors and tractor fuels, Cooling systems, Ignition systems, engine timing and ignition service.

Also tire care, tractor safety and storage.

Mr. Ferguson and Mr. Glover will also have a tractor available to aid them in teaching these subjects.

Warsaw Rotary Club Elects Officers

The Warsaw Rotary Club held a 'Ladies Night' meeting at the Warsaw Armory on Thursday, January 31, 1957. Besides the entertainment of the 'Rotary-Annes' three major items of interest took place: presentation of the 'Home Improvement Award', election of officers for the Rotary Year—July 1, 1957 through June 30, 1958, and the hearing of an address on 'Narcotics and Narcotic Addicts'. The presentation of the 'Home Improvement Award' is covered by another article in this week's edition of your paper.

Officers of Warsaw Rotary Club who were elected are as follows: President, D. J. Rivenbark, Jr.; vice president, Ed Strickland; Secretary, N. H. Flowers; and Directors, Mett B. Ausley, A. Mitchell Britt, Eugene C. Thompson and Milford Quinn.

Robert W. Pope, special agent of investigation for the North Carolina Bureau of Investigation, eastern North Carolina, was introduced by Robert L. West, Mr. Pope lives in Fayette, North Carolina. He investigates narcotic reports and conditions over the eastern part of the state. His address impressed the hearers very much. 'On the stand-point of law enforcement,' said Mr. Pope, 'our office is interested in the legal use and misuse of narcotic drugs. He called attention to the fact that in the United States there are approximately 60,000 addicts to narcotics, that 63 per cent of the addicts are under thirty years of age.

Drugs which come under investigation as to use, sale or growth are of three kinds. First, there are the true narcotics, which are very few in number, such as cocaine and opium and marijuana.

These are of plant origin. Second, there are the synthetic narcotics, number three, there are the barbiturate drugs, which are not true narcotics but produce similar undesirable effects. The sale of all these types of drugs must be regulated.

In closing, Mr. Pope said, 'I wish to challenge you to consider the children and young people of our community.' There must be cooperation and cooperation in the homes, the churches and in the schools. We will do all we can to control these drugs at the source. You must deal with the problem of recruits to the growing number of addicts.'

Man Jailed For Store Robbery

Snyder Dempsey arrested Robert Stokes for breaking and entering the store of Henry Lee near Magnolia. He escaped with some money and some cigarettes. When Dempsey arrived at the home of Stokes he found him packing in a jail in default of a \$500 bond for appearance in the March term of superior court.

Walks Front of Car Right Leg Broken

William Futtrell, young white man of near Wallace is in the Duplin General Hospital here suffering a multiple fracture of his right leg. He was brought in last Saturday and examination revealed both bones broken. It is reported that he walked in front of a car driven by C. J. James of Wallace at the Red Chimney just east of the town.

6 Negroes Arrested For Affrays

Jeff Holt, Thomas E. Parker, Willie O. Graham, James B. Graham, Norman Graham and Tommie J. Hall, all Negroes, were jailed here Wednesday afternoon by Deputies Oscar Houston and Doug Shivar after being arrested on three charges.

Tommie Hall, Thomas Parker, Norman Graham and Tommie Hall were charged with being in a drunken condition while off their premises, using vulgar and profane language while in the presence of several persons and engaging in an affray thereby creating a disturbance in the community.

Willie Graham was charged with assaulting James Graham with a deadly weapon, a pop bottle, causing injuries to James' head, being vulgar and profane and disturbing the peace.

James Graham was charged with assaulting Norman Graham with a shot gun using vulgar and profane language and creating a disturbance.

They will be given a hearing before Justice of the Peace C. C. Hester.

Ag Teacher At Grady Resigns

Mr. N. A. Morrison, Agriculture teacher at B. F. Grady school has resigned to accept employment with the State Department of Agriculture in Raleigh. He expects to move his family there in about two weeks. Mr. Morrison has been at Grady for several years and is a native of Sampson County. A successor has not been named as yet, but the vacancy is expected to be filled immediately.

President Ike On Boy Scout Week

President Eisenhower, in his Boy Scout Week message to 4,500,000 members of the organization as their Honorary President, declares that 'since 1910 when this program was inaugurated, twenty-six million young Americans and their leaders have been active in it, constituting a tremendous force for wholesome living in our national life.'

The message follows:

THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

To the Boy Scouts of America:

As the American people observe Boy Scout Week, they are — I am confident — proud of the more than 4,500,000 boys and leaders now carrying on the Scout program of character development, citizenship training and physical fitness. Since 1910, when this program was inaugurated, twenty-six million young Americans and their leaders have been active in it, constituting a tremendous force for wholesome living in our national life. Certainly the Boy Scout program is a distinctive contribution to a better and stronger America.

In July, during the National Jamboree at Valley Forge, Pennsylvania, the Nation will witness a tremendous rallying of the boys and men of the Scout movement. There, they will demonstrate the skills, the capacity for cooperative work, the ability to do things as a united team that they have learned in Scouting.

My Best wishes go to the fifty thousand who will attend. I am sure that once again they will be inspired by their encampment on that hallowed ground, and that in their conduct there and at home when they return they will prove themselves worthy heirs to their heroic forebearers.

As all of you go forward with your Four-Year Program, 'Onward For God and My Country,' I extend to each and every one of you my warmest regards and best wishes for another year of accomplishment.

(Signed) Dwight D. Eisenhower

Quinn's Store At Potters Hill Is Destroyed By Fire

An estimate of \$20,000 was made at Potters Hill Tuesday afternoon of damages done by fire that destroyed the B. L. Quinn store shortly after midnight Monday.

Quinn said that the store-service station combination was stocked with food and hardware when a blaze was discovered at midnight Monday by Johnny Butts. Before firemen from Pink Hill and Beulaville could arrive, the fire raged out of control and burned the structure to the ground. It was smoldering 15 hours later.

Quinn, who said the loss was only partially covered by insurance, stated the fire started somewhere in the rear of the store. Its cause was not determined. He said he probably will rebuild.

Wins Speech Trial At North Duplin

Jimmy T. Beck, a freshman, won the North Duplin Future Farmers of America public speaking contest this week.

The F.F.A. chapter was in charge of the program at the school's Parent-Teachers Association meeting held Monday night. Following the convention, conducted by Melvin Summerlin, a chapter member, the contest was held under the supervision of W. H. Hurdle, chapter advisor.

Contestants were Tadlock, Norman Swinson and Charles Byrd, who won the local contest last year and then went on to finish second in the district contest.

During the business session, presided over by William McCullen, PTA president, members discussed a project for beautifying the school grounds.

Garden Club To Have Bake Sale Here Friday

The Kenansville Garden Club will hold a 'Bake Sale' at the court house door in Kenansville, Friday, February 8th from 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Proceeds from the sale will be used on the spring project. Everyone is urged to come out and purchase their week end baked needs.

Boy Scouts Mark 47th Birthday

ONWARD

For God and My Country

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Hallsville Negro Held Without Bond Attempted Rape

Johnny Lee Williams, 17, Negro of the Hallsville community was bound over to the April 1 term of Superior Court without privilege of bond on a charge of attempted rape on a 7 year old Negro girl.

Magistrate C. S. Muldrow heard testimony from the girl and from her two sisters, ages 11 and 12, in a hearing held here yesterday.

The older sisters testified that they were molested by Williams while their parents were attending a funeral. Muldrow said.

The girls said they ran from Williams and left their younger sister behind late Sunday afternoon.

The parents testified they found their young daughter disheveled when they returned home and called the Duplin Sheriff's Department.

The investigation was conducted by Sheriff Ralph Miller.

Action Taken In Duplin County Court

County Court, which now convenes on Tuesdays instead of Mondays disposed of the following cases last week.

Charlie Henry Leach, charged with disorderly conduct, using profanity in a public place and assault with a deadly weapon on a female, pleaded not guilty. Was found guilty and sentenced to sixty days on the roads.

Bobbie Stroud charged with possession of non tax paid whiskey for purpose of sale. Prayer for judgment continued.

Murray Reynolds Holmes, pleaded guilty to speeding 65 miles per hour, was fined \$10 and cost.

Roscoe Hardison charged with operating an auto while intoxicated and no operators license, pleaded guilty. (Continued on Back Page)

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