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Straight from the Shoulder — Right from the Heart of Duplin



Times Sports

WITH JOE COSTIN

By Joe Costin

County Conference Standings as of January 10th

Won	Lost
Chinquapin	3
B. F. Grady	2
North Duplin	2
Kenans	2
Wallace-RH	2
Beulaville	1
(Boys)	
Woa	Lost
Beulaville	0
Kenans	2
B. F. Grady	1
Chinquapin	1
North Duplin	0
(Girls)	
Wallace-Rose Hill boys have a 4-0 record but are in class AA-CO	

Chinquapin Wins Doubleheader
The Chinquapin girls led by Peggy Harper, outlasted the Lady Kenans Tigers 44-30 last Tuesday night in a County Conference scrap. Joyce Braswell led the Kenans girls with 24 points. B. F. Grady (54) Harper 22, Warners 15, Howard 17, Smith, J. Miller, P. Farris, J. Smith.
Kenans: (50) Pope 21, Boone Braswell 24, Brown, Taylor, Pope, Johnson, Stewart.
In the boys game the Tigers did not respond early enough and Grady took a slow moving scrap 44-37.
B. F. Grady: (44) Southerland 8, Parker 10, Smith 4, Hill 7, Stratford 8, Goodson 8.
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E. Walker Stevens Presented Gavel
E. Walker Stevens, Sr. was presented the gavel as incoming president of the Tuscarora Council at the 34th Annual Meeting which was held at Hotel Goldsboro, Friday, January 10th.

During the presentation of certificates of appreciation, made by Chester Keen, Wayne Advancement Chairman, Dr. Melt Ausley, Warsaw Scout master was presented with three awards which are as follows: Troop Roundup Award, Troop Camping Award and Certificate in Recognition of Valued Service to Boyhood - Tuscarora Council - Boy Scouts of America. The main award was given by William B. Campbell, International Scout Commissioner.

Last on the program was the presentation of the gavel, made by the outgoing president, Dr. A. H. Zealy, to E. Walker Stevens.

John Harris To Be In Duplin Co. Next Thursday
John Harris, N. C. State College Extension Horticulture Specialist, will be in charge of a gardening demonstration to be held in the Agriculture Building, in Kenansville, on Thursday, January 23.

Mrs. Alta Kornegay, Duplin Home Agent, said the meeting will begin promptly at 10 a. m. All Duplin Home Demonstration Club interested in gardening are urged to make a special effort to attend the discussions and demonstrations.

Soil Banks Sign-up Time Here For Duplin Farmers
Duplin County Farmers interested in signing up to participate in the soil bank for 1958 have until March 7, to complete the paper work.

Sam Brown, Duplin ASC office manager, said that under the present sign-up program, farmers agree to take cotton, corn, and tobacco out of production. In return, the government makes a payment based upon past production for the idle land.

Joe Costin At District Meet
Joe Costin, Duplin Sanitarian, attended a district meeting in Wilmington Thursday, January 9, on milk production and problems of sanitation connected with it.

On Monday, Costin attended a district meeting in Lumberton. The educational meeting concerned radiation.

Kenansville Production Credit Has Biggest Year In 24 Year History

Kenansville Production Credit Association, a lending organization for farmers, broke all-time records since it was organized in 1934 for the assistance and loans made to farmers in 1957.

Garland King, general manager and secretary-treasurer, said Kenansville Production Credit Association loaned to Duplin farmers in 1957 \$3,892,000.00. This is compared to the 1956 record of \$2,989,000.00. The 1957 record amount was loaned to 2,378 farmers as compared to 2,019 in 1956.

Each farmer who makes a loan with Kenansville Production Credit Association becomes a stockholder. Duplin County, which has made rapid strides in broiler production during the past years, has the Association loaned to Duplin farmers in 1957 \$3,892,000.00. This is compared to the 1956 record of \$2,989,000.00. The 1957 record amount was loaned to 2,378 farmers as compared to 2,019 in 1956.

We are proud of the record, King said. "It shows just what the organization means to the farmers of Duplin County and how it contributes to the County's agricultural economy."

In 1954, when organization was completed, records show that 120 loans for \$64,000 were made.

In addition to making the largest number of loans for the biggest sum of money in 1957, the net earnings of Kenansville Production Credit Association, after all expenses were taken out including income taxes, was \$26,099.10. This is compared to \$26,099.10 when the Association had a net earnings of \$12,863.42. The 1959 figure was a record high for net earnings.

Since organization, the Association shows an accumulated earnings of \$273,876.32.

Duplin farmers own stock in the

Since construction of farm buildings is one of the divisions of loans, Production Credit has had a number of loans made through it for construction of broiler houses. These loans are set up over a five-year period, King points out.

Eugene H. Carlton, of Warsaw, is president of Kenansville Production Credit Association. Other Officers are: Arthur Kennedy, Beulaville, vice - president; and Directors, M. W. Sutton, RFD Seven Springs; Fred Ollie W. Thigpen, RFD Mount Olive; and L. P. Wells, RFD Mount Olive.

In the offices in Kenansville, other than King, are: James F. Albertson, assistant secretary - treasurer; Mrs. Ollie W. Thigpen, assistant treasurer; and Mrs. Joyce O. Tyndall, assistant secretary.

Two new corn hybrids, N.C. 46 and N.C. 288, will be available to Tar Heel farmers this year.

Briefs

A. BROOKS SALE
A. Brooks during their January began this morning. This sale is always an event in Warsaw and draws customers from all over Duplin and several adjoining counties. As you know Brooks does not put on many sales during the year, in fact he averages one each January and July. Those who have attended these sales know they find real bargains. It will pay you to visit A. Brooks during their January sale. Look for ad on inside of this paper.

O. P. JOHNSON AT SPRINGS
Supt. O. P. Johnson will speak to the Seven Springs Parent-Teacher Association on Wednesday, January 22 at 7:30. His subject will be "Pros and Cons of High School Consolidation."

REMINISCING
Addie Coker who lives near Carleton Chapel west of Warsaw paid a visit to the Times office this week. Mr. Coker, who is now 81 years old days at Seven Springs. He spent some time with us reminiscing the old days at Seven Springs and told us some interesting stories about some of the older heads we have heard of but never knew. He says he is enjoying life in Duplin County.

RED CROSS MEET
The semi-annual meeting of the Duplin County chapter, American Red Cross will be held in the chapter office in Kenansville at 7:30 p.m. Friday, January 24th.

WORKS ON SUNDAY
Deputy sheriff Norwood Boone says that quite often Sunday is the best day to go after things. Last Sunday afternoon, accompanied by his son, he captured a 50 gallon pot type still near the Daniel Williams Crossroads in Rock Fish. Three barrels of fresh mash were poured out.

ARRESTED FOR CUTTING
Deputy Boone arrested Pittsburgh Bradshaw, Negro, Sunday for the act of cutting of his brother Williams' ear off. The cutting occurred at Little Pin Hook.

HOSPITAL BOARD MEETING
The regular quarterly meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Duplin General Hospital will be held on Tuesday evening, January 21st in the hospital at 7:30. This is the annual meeting and every member is urged to attend.

Elmo Blizzard Invited To Speak
Elmo Blizzard president of the Pleasant Grove Community Development club, has been invited to speak at the Third District Medical Society's conference on rural health.

The conference is to be held at Wilmington College Thursday, January 23. Blizzard will speak on the Pleasant Grove organization, which won top awards in the county and district development contests.

Tar Heel farmers in 32 commercial corn counties will be allotted 800,675 acres in 1958.



The Late Rivers Dunn Johnson of Warsaw

Funeral Services Held Tuesday For Rivers Dunn Johnson In Warsaw

Rivers Dunn Johnson, Sr., 72, lawyer and veteran member of the State Legislature, died Monday morning at 4 o'clock at Duplin General Hospital, where he had been a patient and critically ill two days. Death was attributed to bronchial pneumonia.

Mr. Johnson served 10 sessions in the State Legislature, beginning in 1911. He was president pro-tem of the State Senate in 1951, and was dean of the Senate in 1951. He served as mayor of Warsaw in 1909 and 1910 and was a member of the State Democratic Executive Committee for 25 years and the State Platform Committee for 20 years.

Surviving are his wife, the former Olivia R. Best; three sons, Rivers D. Johnson, Jr., and John Anderson Johnson, both of Warsaw, Vivian B. Johnson of Greensboro; three sisters, Mrs. Luther A. Beasley and Mrs. Herbert Smith of Kenansville, Mrs. John Land of Chadbourne; five grandchildren. Funeral services were held from the Baptist Church in Warsaw

Thursday at 3 p. m., with Rev. Herbert M. Baker, pastor of Olive Chapel Baptist Church near Apex, officiating. Burial was in the Warsaw cemetery.

Mr. Johnson was a brother of the late Dr. John M. Johnson of Goldsboro, and uncle of the late Seymour Anderson Johnson, for whom Seymour Johnson Air Force Base was named.

He was born in Wilson December 29, 1885, son of Seymour Anderson and Annie E. Clark Johnson. He was educated at James Sprunt Institute, Kenansville, Warsaw high school, and Wake Forest College.

Mr. Johnson was a member of the American Bar, N. C. Bar, Duplin County Bar Associations, past president of the Sixth Judicial Bar Association, a 32nd Degree Mason, Shriner, member of the Junior Order, Elks Lodge of Goldsboro. He taught the Men's Bible class of the First Baptist Church, Warsaw, for 15 years without missing a Sunday.

They are the parents of three children, all boys, Rivers, Jr., Vivian and John Anderson. In 1910 Mr. Johnson was elected to represent this district in the State Senate. At the time of the convening of the legislature he had just reached the legal age to serve as a Senator and it was necessary for him to wait until after December 29 to be sworn in and take his seat. He continued to represent this district during the years the Senatorship came to Duplin County until 1935 when he did not offer for re-election, making an unsuccessful bid for the district Senatorship in the 1938 primaries. In the 1911 session he was the By-member of the upper house, while in 1935 he was Dean of the group. During his legislative career he served on and was chairman of practically all of the important committees of the Senate. He was chairman of the highly important Senate Judiciary Committee in the 1927 and 1935 sessions. For his outstanding ability he was elected President Pro-Tem of the Senate for the 1931 session. As chairman of the Judiciary Committee he was author of many laws on legal procedure and was author of the State traffic laws. He was author of the first all-State supported School Law of 1931, which was the first of its kind passed by any State in the United States. For this work he was commended by State and National Educational bodies and honored by having his photograph included among the leaders in educational work in the State during the past 100 years. He

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Beulaville National Guard New Officers

Battery B, 150th MM Battalion National Guard has two new officers, Second Lieutenant Wilton K. Allen and Second Lieutenant Riley H. Allen, Jr., both of Wilmington, N. C. These officers joined the organization in December, 1957, and have since been to and graduated from the Officers Training School in Fort Bliss, Texas. Captain Richard S. Bostic, Battery Commander of the above unit and the other officers and men wish to welcome each of these officers to the unit.

Private Jimmy Johnson, a member of Battery B, 150th MM Battalion, North Carolina National Guard, Beulaville, N. C., has recently returned from a six months training and schooling. He completed boot camp in Fort Jackson, South Carolina and took his advanced school training in Fort Benning, Ga., where he attended the Cook School.

Grass Roots Opera In Duplin Jan. 22, 23 Presents Strauss' Opera 'Fledermaus' At Beulaville, Wallace And Calypso

MEMORIAL SERVICES
Judge Henry L. Stevens who presides over Superior Court here next week has announced that a memorial service for the late Rivers D. Johnson, dean of the Duplin County Bar, will be held in the court room here at 12 o'clock noon, Vance B. Givins, local attorney, will deliver the memorial address. The public is invited.



Dan Merriman

Judge Stevens Here When Is The Lady Judge Coming?

Judge Henry L. Stevens will convene a week of criminal court here next week. He has exchanged courts with Judge Walter Bone of Nashville who is scheduled to be here. Judge Stevens says Judge Bone will be in Kenansville at the next term of court. Judge Bone has never held court here but one time. We are wondering when events are going to shape up so Duplin may enjoy the company of Judge Susie Sharpe, the only woman Superior Court Judge in the state. We feel that Duplin is being slighted. This week she is paying her first visit to Wayne County. Judge Stevens can't you help do something about it and bring the fair lady, Judge to Duplin for at least once?

Two Cars Demolished No One Gets Hurt

Last Monday morning Patrolman Willie Rogers investigated a wreck on Highway 24 just east of Beulaville. One car had crashed into the rear of another.

Rogers reported that at 5:35 Monday morning a 1951 Mercury, occupied by three Marines, gave out of gas three miles east of Beulaville. Instead of pushing the car on the shoulder they left it parked in the right hand lane with parking lights on. The driver was Paul Peter Pachuta, stationed at Camp Lejeune.

A 1949 Ford, also occupied by Marines and driven by Larry Wayne Ballard, hit the Mercury in the right rear. Both cars were practically demolished. No one was hurt. The driver of the Mercury was charged with improper parking on the highway.

Over-The-Counter Bootlegger Arrested

Last Saturday Sheriff Miller and officers raided the home of Roman Deaver, Negro, near Weaver's bridge and found bootleg whiskey that has been being sold over the counter in drinks or pints to take out. Annie Pearl Hawes, 14-year-old Negro girl, recently mother of an illegitimate child, was at the home and told officers that they were selling the whiskey for 50 cents per drink.

Roland was arrested and jailed. He is out under bond. The 14-year-old girl was to be given a hearing before Juvenile Judge R. V. Wells.

Snow Hill Church Speaker Named

Rev. M. L. Johnson of Mt. Olive College will speak at Snow Hill Free Will Baptist Church near Scott's Store next Sunday morning, January 19th, at 11 a. m. He will be speaking in behalf of Mt. Olive Junior College. Everyone is cordially invited to come and hear him.

North Carolina's Grass Roots Opera is on its way back to Duplin again this year. This will make the 10th year the group has appeared in the county and has met with a good reception each time. For the first few years it was staged in Kenansville auditorium but of recent years it has been found better to stage it in the various schools rather than one day's performance in Kenansville.

This year the group will present John Strauss' FLEDERMAUS (The Bat). The schedule is as follows: The opera will be presented at Beulaville school on Wednesday, January 22, at 1 p. m. at Wallace elementary school on Wednesday, January 23, at 8 p. m.; and at Calypso elementary school on Thursday, January 23, at 1:30 p. m. Tickets may be bought now at any school in Duplin County or at the door at the time of the performance.

Admission: Children 50 cents, adults \$1.00.

Grass Roots Opera is in Duplin County under the sponsorship of The Duplin County Unit of NCEA. Mr. Robert Craft, public school music teacher and band director at Beulaville school, will tell the story of DIE FLEDERMAUS and play some of the music from this opera over WLSR, Wallace radio station, from 1 to 2 p. m. on Monday, January 20.

When the National Grass Roots Opera Company brings opera in English as good entertainment for everybody to Duplin on January 22 and 23, there will be more to it than meets the ear. In fact, quite a lot of it will meet the eye. The visual appeal of opera has always been one of its greatest attractions. The visual appeal of the current season's offering, Johann Strauss' FLEDERMAUS, will rate very high. To begin with, the singers themselves will be quite attractive. Remember - this is not grand opera. (CONTINUED ON BACK PAGE)

Judge Grady Is Reported Critical

Judge Grady is a patient in a New Bern hospital where he has recently undergone a series of three operations, according to reports reaching Kenansville Tuesday. The report said he had a leg removed just below the knee on December 20th. After Christmas it became necessary to remove the stub at the hip and the report said that on Monday of this week he underwent a stomach operation. His condition was reported critical.

Pink Hill Man May Run For Sheriff Lenoir County

PINK HILL, Jan. 8 - Tom Davis, widely known former mayor of Pink Hill, has reached for his hat to throw it in the ring in the coming sheriff's election in Lenoir County.

Davis said he has not made up his mind to run for the office, but that he is giving it "very definite consideration."

A combination farmer-business-lumberman, Davis stated that if he decides to enter the race that "people in this county can expect, with full knowledge that their expectations will be realized, to have the law enforced equally and with justice."

His announcement came late on the day, Tuesday, that Sheriff Clay Broadway unofficially announced he will seek to succeed himself. However, Davis had not heard the news of Broadway's announcement.

Church Leader Dies In Wilmington

WILMINGTON - The Rev. King Solomon Davis, 74, died Saturday at his home. Funeral services were held Wednesday at 2:30 p. m. at the First Baptist Church with the Rev. J. M. Mallette officiating. The Rev. Davis was pastor of the following churches: Mount Zion of Wilmington and Pilgrim's Rest of Carr Station. He was vice-moderator of the Kenansville Eastern Association.



Miss Katie B. Brock, foster daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Estus Bland of Kenansville, has completed her basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio, Texas. She has been in service only a few weeks. She graduated from Kenansville High School in the spring of '57.

City License Tags Now On Sale

Car owners in Kenansville are requested to get their 1958 city auto tags immediately. They are on sale at the office of C. C. Hester. Those failing to get their tag are subject to prosecution. The tags cost only \$1.00.

Bell vs. Simmons Slander Suit To Be Retried In Duplin County

In action last week, the North Carolina State Supreme Court held that the Duplin County slander suit should have gone to the jury instead of being non-suited by Superior Court Judge F. Donald Phillips.

The suit was by Mrs. Dora Betty Bell against Leroy Simmons to recover \$25,000 for compensatory damages and \$25,000 for punitive damages for alleged defamatory and slanderous statements made by Simmons to Paul Barwick concerning Mrs. Bell's alleged missing Farm Bureau records.

After the story about the alleged missing records was told Barwick, a correspondent for the News and Observer, he telephoned the story to Charles Clay, of the News and Observer Staff, relating it to him. The article dealt with the Duplin County office of ASC and records of the Duplin Farm Bureau.

Simmons is president of the Duplin Farm Bureau and Mrs. Bell, at the time, was secretary-treasurer of the Farm Bureau and manager of the Duplin ASC office.

It was learned from a reliable source this week that the case will probably be put on the Civil Superior Court Docket of March 10. The case, which was non-suited in March, 1957, was argued before the State Supreme Court last September. The opinion, not handed down until last week, had six judges voting to reverse the decision of Judge Phillips and one judge (Continued On Back Page)

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