



## Charles Mobley Sentenced to 28-30 Years In Prison For Slaying Of Wife

Charles Mobley, 25, of the Lyman Community of Duplin County was sentenced to 28 to 30 years in prison Wednesday for the pistol slaying of his wife. He has already been transferred to Central Prison, in Raleigh, from the Duplin jail.

A plea of second degree murder was entered by Defense Attorneys Rivers Johnson, Jr. and Vance Gavin.

A special venire of 100 persons was called in for selection of a jury. The plea was entered after five jurors were seated.

Mobley killed his wife, Eveline on the night of July 24, 1959 with a .22 caliber pistol. After killing her, he turned the pistol on himself but was unsuccessful in his suicide attempt.

After being treated at Duplin General Hospital for several weeks, Mobley was transferred to the state hospital in Raleigh for sainty tests to determine if he were mentally capable of standing trial for murder.

Dr. George Paulson, from the State Hospital, testified in the Mobley trial Wednesday, varying the report that Mobley was capable of standing trial.

Presiding Superior Court Judge William J. Bundy pronounced the sentence.

Prosecutors in the case were District Solicitor Walter Britt and Kenansville N. B. Boney.

## Mrs. Jean Huie Learns Hard Way That Unguarded Comments Are Often Costly

Little did Mrs. Jean Huie, Assistant Home Agent in Duplin County know that her stray comments were being heard by Roscoe Jones, restaurant proprietor, in Kenansville.

Paul Barwick, newspaperman, had ordered Country Ham and Eggs for breakfast. When Barwick ordered his breakfast, Mrs. Huie commented, "I sure would like some Country Ham."

Without adding anything else, she continued to drink her coffee.

In a few minutes, Jones returned and placed a fork and knife at Bar-

## Tax Collections For January

Duplin County Tax Collections for the month of January, 1960 total \$50,701.61 as reported by Harry L. Phillips, Duplin County Tax Collector. This is approximately \$2,000 above January 1959. The complete Tax Collections for the month of Jan. are as follows:

1959	\$45,311.05
1958	2,835.41
1957	716.85
1956	343.31
1955	114.03
1954	219.16
1953	321.82
1952	220.84
1951	142.80
1950	103.76
1949	97.98
1948	99.95
1947	3.45
1946	61.23
1945	6.02
1944	5.16
1943	6.73
1942	6.90
1941	7.21
1940	10.04
1939	7.14
1938	7.89
1937	8.17
1936	6.19
1935	19.83
1934	17.69
1928	2.90
Total	50,701.61

## Beulaville FFA's Won First Place In Contest

"The Duplin-Pender Federation of the FUTURE FARMERS OF AMERICA met January 20, 1960 for the annual Parliamentary Procedure Contest. The contest was held at the Y-o-ag Department of the Wallace-Rose Hill High School.

The Beulaville team consisting of the following members: Chairman-Floyd Brown; Vice Chairman-Woodrow Heath; Secretary - Gene Hall; Reporter - Murrell Hall; Treasurer Donald Mercer; Sentinel - Jimmie Kennedy; and Advisor - Temple Hill, won the first place honors.

The second place went to the team from B. F. Grady and James Kenan took third place."

## Waccamaw Bank Reports Successful Year

On Friday night, January 22, a Stockholders meeting and banquet was held in Whiteville for the Stockholders of Waccamaw Bank and Trust Company. The well attended banquet heard an inspiring talk from Dr. Edwards of the First Presbyterian Church of Raleigh.

C. Lacy Tate, president of Waccamaw Bank and Trust Company gave the annual Stockholders report stating that the bank had completed another successful year. Business throughout the areas served

showed notable expansion during the year 1959. The banking and trust requirements of individuals and business continues to grow. He stated, "We shall continue to exert every effort to furnish our customers with service and a safe place to deposit their money, and at the same time strive to extend accurate credit to the various individuals and businesses of each community where we have banks."

Excerpts from the report of C. L. Tate follow:

**EARNINGS**

This is the tenth Annual Report that I have had the privilege of presenting to you since I came to the Whiteville office in 1950. Each of these reports show that we have made great progress each year. During the year 1959, crop conditions were favorable in the sections we serve. Our tobacco prices were exceedingly good, however, we had an unusually low market in livestock and poultry. For the first nine months of 1959 we had an unusually low security market, however, the demand for local loans increased to the extent that we were able to show a substantial increase in

## Duplin County 4-H County Council Meets Monday

Duplin County 4-H Club County Council will hold its regular monthly meeting, Monday night, beginning at 7:30 p. m., in the Agriculture Building, in Kenansville.

Mrs. Annie Lois Britt said today that all of the officers within the club in the County are urged to make a special effort to attend the County Council Meeting.

**3 INDUCTED JAN. FEBRUARY CALL FOR 5**

The following registrants were inducted from Duplin County in January 1960:

Albert James Hill  
Kenneth Forest Brinkley  
Ralph Miller

All three of these men were well-versed.

The Feb. call for induction is for 5 men to be delivered on 11 Feb. 1960. 10 registrants will be sent for Annual Poultry Production Exhibitions on that same date.



**COACH BILLY BOSTIC DOES A LITTLE PRAYING:** This is a result of the exciting game last week between the Beulaville Panthers and the North Duplin Rebels. The Panthers pulled the game out of a fire in the closing minutes of the game 47-45. The boys of Coach Bostic are currently tied with James Kenan for first place in the conference with a 4-1 record. From left to right, Toby Sumner, Douglass Edwards, Benny Thomas, Willie Horne, Benny Kennedy, and in the center Coach Bostic doing a little spiritual work.

## TIMES SPORTS By Joe Costin

**CONFERENCE STANDINGS AS OF JANUARY 28th.**

BOYS		
Team	Won	Lost
James Kenan	5	1
Beulaville	4	1
North Duplin	2	3
B. F. Grady	2	3
Chinquapin	0	5

  

GIRLS		
Team	Won	Lost
Beulaville	6	0
B. F. Grady	4	1
North Duplin	3	3
Chinquapin	2	3

## Grateful Dog

Dog may be Man's best friend but Jimmy Strickland of Warsaw is now a certain dog's best friend.

Jimmy spotted a stray dog running around Warsaw with a cord tied tightly around his neck. Upon closer examination Jimmy found that the cord had been around the dog's neck for some time and that it had cut deep into his flesh almost to the bone.

Rounding up some help, Jimmy caught the dog and carried him to the Animal Hospital in Clinton. The Doc. said it would be just a matter of a few days before the dog would be dead if the cord was not removed. Putting the animal to sleep he performed the operation.

Now the dog is recovering nicely and the way he is wagging his tail and with that grateful look in his eye, Jimmy said it was well worth the twenty dollar Hospital bill.

## "The Caswell Story" To Be Shown Friday

The Duplin County Retarded Association will hold its regular monthly meeting on Friday night, January 29, at eight o'clock in the Rose Hill Methodist Church.

Miss Pearl L. Adkins, Director of Social Service, and Daniel C. Wise, Director of Education and Training at Caswell School, Kinston, will show a film, "The Caswell Story."

They will also lead a discussion on what can be done for the trainable child.

The public is urged to attend. Thanks were again expressed by an Association spokesman for the donations of money and equipment for the classroom of the trainable class of retarded children at Rose Hill Elementary School. Much progress is being made and work is going well.



**GRAHAM A. BARDEN**

Congressman Graham A. Barden who has announced that he will not seek re-election this year to the U. S. House of Representatives from the Third Congressional district. Barden has served in the House for 26 years. Several names have been mentioned as candidates for the seat in the house, among them are Senator D. J. Rose of Goldsboro and James Simpkins of New Bern who ran against Barden in 1958, and Grady Mercer of Beulaville who is now on the State Industrial Commission in Raleigh.

## Briefs

**ATTEND SHOW**

Mr. and Mrs. Al Smith of Warsaw have returned home from Radio Center Gift Show which was held in Charlotte during the past week end.

**COUNTY CAPTAIN**

Dr. H. A. Phillips of Wallace has been appointed County Captain to head the membership drive for the North Carolina Cattlemen's Association. The N. C. Cattlemen's Association, promote and develop all phases of the cattle industry, including breeding, feeding, disease, controls, marketing and consumption of beef and beef products in North Carolina.

**BARBECUE SUPPER**

Penny Branch Club is having a barbecue pig supper on Wednesday night, February 3 from 5:00 until 8:30 P. M. at the Penny Branch Club House one mile from Warsaw. Proceeds are to go to the Penny Branch Club. See any one of the club members and get your ticket in advance.

**SAFETY TALKS**

Patrolman John Williams made Safety talks at the Beulaville Lions Club in Beulaville recently on the Points system. He also showed safety films to the grammar grades at Chinquapin and made Safety talks to the High School students at Chinquapin.

**REMINDER!**

Did you know that if you are caught speeding in excess of the marked speed limit inside the corporate limits of any town, that your drivers license is automatically revoked for 30 days?

## Kenansville To Get New Phone Numbers April 24

Your telephone company plans to inaugurate a more modern central office system in Kenansville on April 24, 1960. In order for this new system to be placed in service, it will be necessary for all Kenansville telephone numbers to change at that time.

The new numbers will consist of seven numeral numbers. These changes are being planned to conform to a nationwide numbering system designed to speed up and improve long distance service and lead eventually to the convenience of subscriber long distance dialing.

Knowing that many of our business subscribers have occasion to display their telephone number on signs, stationery, and other printed materials, we wanted to advise you of this number change, and suggest that it be considered when placing orders for printed materials displaying your present telephone number.

A new directory will be prepared and issued to local subscribers prior to the change.

**BLOODSHED BOXSCORE**  
98 N. C. HIGHWAYS

RALEIGH - The Motor Vehicles Department's summary of traffic deaths through 18 K. in January 1960:

Deaths To Date	55
Deaths To Date Last Year	58

## District School Board Meeting In Duplin Wednesday, February 3

The annual meeting of District Five of the North Carolina State School Boards Association will convene at the James Kenan High School in Duplin County on Wednesday afternoon, February 3.

The fifth District is composed of county school administrative units in Brunswick, Duplin, New Hanover, Pender, Sampson and Wayne; and city school units in Clinton, Fremont and Goldsboro.

About 235 superintendents, principals, school board members, committee men, P. T. A. presidents, county commissioners, legislators and other interested persons from the six county area are expected to be in attendance.

Registration is to begin at 3:30 P. M., followed by a business session, discussion groups and a closing banquet scheduled at 6:30. The meeting will adjourn at 8:15 p. m.

Theme of the conference is "North Carolina On The Move", and several outstanding leaders are to be in charge of the discussion groups during the afternoon session.

Presiding at the meeting will be Howard Holly of Burgaw, a member of the Pender County Board of Education and president of the district.

## Mrs. Ruth Grady Duplin Co. Heart Fund Chairman

Mrs. Ruth Grady, editor and publisher of the Duplin Times, has been named chairman of the Duplin County Heart Fund Drive.

Mrs. I. J. Sandlin, of Beulaville who had previously accepted the position, was unable to work with the program in February and had to resign.

Mrs. Grady said community chairmen will be secured within the next few days and Heart Fund material distributed.

Although the entire month of February has been set aside for emphasis on helping the Heart Fund, February 28, has been set aside as Heart Sunday. On that day, a concerted effort will be made throughout Duplin County for the Heart Fund.

Greetings will be extended by O. P. Johnson of Kenansville, superintendent of the Duplin County Schools, and J. P. Harmon, principal of James Kenan School.

Hallas Herring of Rose Hill, chairman of the State Board of Education, and W. W. Sifton of Goldsboro, president of the N. C. State School Boards Association are to appear briefly on the afternoon program.

William R. Henderson of Raleigh, Industrial Development Administrator of the N. C. Department of Conservation and Development, is to be the speaker at the banquet.

Other officers of the district are C. Y. Coleman of Ash, chairman of the Brunswick County School Board vice-president, and B. L. Davis of Burgaw, superintendent of the Pender County Schools, secretary.

## Bertice Thomas Found Dead Tuesday In Duplin Co. Jail; To Hold Inquest

Bertice Thomas, about 60 years old, was found dead in Duplin County jail Tuesday at 1 p. m.

Sheriff Ralph Miller said that Thomas, a Beulaville white man, apparently died from suffocation.

A coronor's inquest is to be held into the death, but Coroner Hector McNeil has not set a time for the inquest.

Sheriff Miller said a wad of cotton was found in Thomas' mouth. He had secured the cotton by ripping a hole in the mattress in his jail cell.

Deputy W. O. Houston was called to the cell by other prisoner's to investigate Thomas. When he arrived, Thomas was dead. Sheriff Miller said he was alive 15 minutes before he was discovered dead.

Thomas had been arrested in Beulaville by Police Chief H. J. Brown and brought to Kenansville Monday. He had been arrested on a public drunkenness charge.

## Duplin's First Fatality For 1960

Monday morning of this week Duplin County experienced its first fatality from an automobile wreck for the year 1960. Mrs. Nancy Sue Bolen, white female, 19 years of age was killed instantly when the car in which she was riding hit a bridge abutment near Beulaville.

The accident happened on Monday morning at 4:35 A. M., about three miles north of Beulaville on N. C. 111 on the Limestone Creek Bridge. Acting Corporal James Franklin Bolen age 24 was driving a 1953 Willys, 4-door car. His wife was riding on the front seat with him.

Riding in the back seat were Cpl. Miles H. Hicks of Camp LeJeune and Pikeville, Kentucky, who received a fractured right leg and lacerations of the head. Also riding on the back seat was Pvt. Paul King of Camp LeJeune who was injured. Bolen had picked up Hicks and King in Greensboro to bring them back to Camp LeJeune.

The accident happened when the vehicle ran off on the right shoulder of the road and hit the bridge abutment. After the impact, the complete right hand side of the car was ripped off and the vehicle traveled

## CLASS FOR RETARDED CHILDREN GETS GOOD START AT ROSE HILL

Much progress is being made in work being done in connection with the trainable class for retarded children of Duplin County at the Rose Hill Elementary School.

The class got underway on January 4, and any Duplin residents who would like to see such a class in action is invited to visit the class, a spokesman for the Duplin County Retarded Association asserted.

"We wish everyone could realize just how much good such a class does."

In order to keep this class going it will be necessary for the people of Duplin to show their interest and if possible, to give money and equipment to be used for this class. A number of donations have already been made and anyone else wishing

## N C E A Area Meet

An area meeting of the N. C. E. A. A. composed of representatives from the counties of Duplin, Sampson, Pender, Onslow and New Hanover met Wednesday afternoon at the Kenansville School Auditorium.

Approximately 155 Principals and Teachers attended the Workshop type meeting conducted by outstanding North Carolina Educational Association workers. Participating on the program were A. C. Davison of Raleigh, Executive Secretary of the N. C. E. A., Mrs. Phoebe Erammons who formerly taught at Kenansville and is now Field Secretary for the N. C. E. A. and Claude Farrell, Director of Lay Relations of N. C. E. A.

Supper was served in the School Luncheon.

A large number of Duplin County Teachers attended the meeting.

## Mercer May File For U. S. Congress

Grady Mercer, Duplin County attorney and legislator who was named to the State Industrial Commission, may run for U. S. Congress, he said Tuesday. He is interested in the seat being vacated by Rep. Graham Barden.

Mercer is from Beulaville and served as State Senator from Duplin County during the past term.

Also mentioned as possible candidates are Roy Rowe of Burgaw a state senator and Sen. David J. Rose of Wayne County. Other names are being mentioned.

However a petition is being circulated in Goldsboro and Wayne County urging Rep. Barden to re-elect. It is reported that petitions are being circulated in other areas.



**MICHEEL GOODSON**

Micheel Goodson, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Goodson, Mt. Olive, North Carolina, has been chosen as one of nine boys from throughout the state to be interviewed to represent North Carolina at the National 4-H Conference at Washington, D. C. Two of the nine boys will be chosen to represent our state Mike Goodson was selected for this honor on the basis of his out-standing 4-H Club work. Mike, along with other contestants will be interviewed by a panel of judges representing some of the states out-standing Agricultural and Home Economics Leaders. Each candidate will be carefully screened in such personal qualities as appearance, poise, ability to meet people, knowledge of 4-H and personality.

## Farm Bureau Officers Elected

The Duplin County Farm Bureau met on Thursday night in the Kenansville School Auditorium. Alonsa Edwards, Executive vice-president of the North Carolina Farm Bureau was the guest speaker.

At this meeting the following officers were elected.

President - Larry Simmons  
Vice-President - Fayvin Shaw

**Board of Directors are:**

Albertson ..... Jack Patterson  
Warsaw ..... George Bennett  
Kenansville ..... R. V. Phillips  
Faison ..... James Joyner  
Glisson ..... Larry Harper  
Smith ..... D. L. Smith  
Limestone ..... Cecil Edwards  
Cypress Creek ..... Norwood Blanchard