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e Chester R. Morris Has "Attack" While Sitting As Judgeln Boykins Rape-Murder Trial In Duplin Co.

Duplin Youths Get Suspended Sentences In Tempie Deaver Case April 6-9th

same area, pleaded guilty to lesser charges in Duplin Superior Court Tuesday and received identical stences from Judge Chester R.

Four of the youths, all under 18, pleaded guilty to having sexual re-lations with Temple Deaver, delations with Temple Deaver, de-scribed as "a female over 12 years of age and under 16." They are Maynard Quinn, Danny Ray Harrell, Oliver Herring Jr. and enneth Jones.

Billy Ray Garner, 19, pleaded to assualt on a female. The pleas were Walter Britt were accepted by Solicitor

Judge Morris sentenced each of th eyouths to two- year jail terms, pended, and placed each on probation for four years, with the special provision that none of them drive an automobile on the roads for two years and not drive any

& Error

re about to get back on Schedule after the installation of the We are about to get all of "bugs" out and after we have session with a few rollers for the the road to living a normal life again. My boys in the office have had it tough, but they have done a wonderful job and they lived thro-ugh it. We feel that the investment in the new press will help us give our readers a better paper and our in. My boys in the office have advertisers, quicker service,

Kenansville has been as busy as "The Grand Central Station" all week. No place to park, the cafes loaded to capacity, and mobs of people here to attend the rape-mur-der trial which is not in session totrial which is not in session today due to the illness of the Judge. When I first started working in Kenansville, the crowds on court days impressed me so very much, where did the people come from? After working in public offices for several years, you feel that you have seen most of the people in the county, but the court crow's are another group of people But Courtroom procedure is fascinating.

Only nine more days left for filing income tax reports groan, groan! Why do we precratinate each year, and then resolve never to do it in? I don't think eny of us have ver found a convenient time to pay taxes, and probably naver will. So I had better c'ose this column and get busy on tax forms-never a dull moment.

Contracts Awarded For Nursing Home

A project to convert the Nurses Fome at Duplin General Hospital into a Nursine Home has been approved and bids awarded.

The General Contract was to Godwin Building Company of Warnuw for \$29,450; The plumbing and heating Contract to Ideal Plumbing Company of Wilminston for 4, 197,00; and the Electrical Contract to A. B. Blake in Wilmington for \$4,857.

The project has been approved by the Medical Care Commission and the U. S. Public Health Service file amount of \$28,000 and for the tate Ald in the amount of \$11,648.

Work will begin at once on continuous the home into a Nursing

Five youths of the B. F. Grady of the five was ordered to pay \$350 | Hous'on. 21, is charged with assualt section of Duplin County, charged to Tempie Deaver as prosecuting on a female. Both are also from the from the same incident were brought by the grand jury Tuesday. Dalton Grady, 17, is charged with having sexual relations with a fe- no \$1,500 bond each

witness and to pay court costs. | B. F. Grady section. It is alleged Additional indictments stemming hat the youths had relations with ne Deaver girl in a wooded area in northern Duplin County.

Grady and Houston were freed

Mayor Strickland Of Warsaw Fo Run Ror Re-election May 2

ly known civic leader has also served one term as town commissioner and under his teadership, many improvement and achievements for the town have been brought about many of which have gone beyond the call of duty.

A combat veteran of World War H. having, flown as a currier pilot abroad the USS Hornet. Strickland participate, in 34 combat missions and holds two Distinguished Flying Crusses, five Air Me lais and the Presidential Unit Citation for his bravery in action.

The Stricklands with their children, Janrie, 13, and Johnny 6, attend and are active members of I am happy to announce that the the First Baptist Church in Warsaw. Veekly Gaxette and the Duplin where Mr. Strickland has held several places of office, including deaconship.

Taking an active interest in the civic affairs of his commuity, as well as those of the religious nature Mayor Strickland is past command-

Ed Strickland, mayor of Warsaw | er of Charles R. Gavin Post No. 127 for three terms, will be seaking his of the American Legion, a member azalea (Kurume) which usually ical record of a heart condition exhausted from the 13th juror was fourth term as a candidate for re- of the Warsaw Masonic Lodge and blooms before the tall variety (in- according to F. W. McGowen, Dup- selected. The final juror was seatelection in the Warsaw town elec- a 32rd degree Mason, and is a dica)," Bogie explained, "But both tion which is scheduled for Tues- Shrinner. He has recently been ele- varieties are in full bloom together day, May 2. Mr. Strickland, a wide- cted by the Warsaw Rotary Club as president for the coming year.

FLASH

Superior Criminal Court convened this morning at 10:00 A. M. But due to the illness of Judge Chester Morein it adjourned until Friday morning at 10:00 A. M., at which time it will reconvene, and will then adjourn until Monday morning, April 10. At that time it will reconvene and resume the hearing of the State against Theodore Boykin.

County Court which had been previously scheduled for April 11 and 12 will have to be changed to April 18 and 19th, according to a statement by County Court Judge, Russell Lanier.

Jurors for county court will not need to report for duty until Wednesday morning, April 19.

Azaleas Blooming For Festival

Southeastern North Carolina's famed azaleas are in full bloom.

The ave-mile drive along the shores of Greenfield Lake in Wilmington, offers an endless array of color from the beautiful flowers.

"This is one of the most beautiful displays of azaleas we've ever had," said Alex Bogie, manager of

spring produced an even maturing attack. of the azaleas, "We have a small this year.

He expects the beautiful show of azaleas to continue for several weeks, "The azaleas have just reached a peak," he said, "And they will remain in full color well into

A bost of other flawers have jein-ed the azaleas in bloom, direction Southeastern North Carolina into a virtual "fairy land" of blazing

asantly surprised with the blooming of the pansies. They have been in bloom for nearly two weeks, and it looks as if they will continue to the County Board of Education Calypso David Brock hold their color for at least two

Thusands of visitors from many parts of the nation have come to see the beautiful display of flowers "For the next several weeks the azaleas will be in full bloom," Bogie concluded.

Morris suffered an appranent heart attack Wed. afternoon while siting Morris has su fered the attack when Wednesday, John Boyd, balistics ex as judge in the rape-murder trial of he adjourned court at 5 p. m. it had pert with the SBI, in Raleigh, testi-Theodore Boykins, of Teacheys, in been expected throughout the day fied that the two bullets found at

Dr. J. W. Straughon, of Warsaw, til late Wednesday night. There being taken from Mrs. Barnes' who examined Judge Morris in the was some surprise that he suddenly Judge's Quarters in the Kenansville adjourned court. Court House around 5:45 p. m. declined to call it a heart attack but remained until Dr. Straughan ardid say it as "an attack."

Judge Morris was removed from Hubert Phillips, one of the attor " Court House in Kenansville by neys representing the State in the And at nearby Orton Plantation the ambulance and admitted to Dup-rape-murder trial of Boykins, said azaleas are described as "magni lin General Hospital, in Kenans Judge Morris had been complaining all day about not felling well

Dr. Straughan said Judge Morris He had stated he ate something would not be physically able to that did not agree with him. hold court on Thursday. An electric cardiogram will likely be run tonight at Duplin General Hospi-A gradual warming trend this tal to determine the extent of "the

> Judge Morris has a previous med lin County Auditor, a friend. Superior Court Clerk R. V. Wells

said tonight that Judge Morris has Teacheys section, is charged with instructed him to keep the jury to-

Johnson Reelected Sch. Superintendent Blanchard & Strickland On Board

O. P. Johnson was reelected as | Duplin Consolidated School were County Superintendent of Schools discussed and visited. at a meeting of the Board of Edmion which was held on Monday Flower lovers in the area are ple- afternoon. Johnson has served the anous of Duplin County for the past twenty-six years.

In a recent act of the Legislature, -mbership was charged from three members to five members At the Monday meeting two members were named. They are J. F. Strick land of Warsaw and D. D. Blanchand of Wallace. It is felt that with Chinquapin Albro James the added membership on the Board, the county will be represented

stalled as a new member of the board, succeeding A. P. Cates of will be named at a later date Faison. Old members on the board North-Dunlin Jim Grady are J. O. Smith of Albertson and Wallace-Rose Hill Wm. W. Wells V. F. Dail of Beulaville, J. O. Potters Hill Lawther Bostic Smith was named chairman, of the

Sites for the location of the East

Committeemen whose terms pired for the various schools were

He went to his quarters where he

Judge Morris is from Coinjock

On Tuesday the entire day was

100-member special venire. Eighty-

Boykins, 31, a Negro from

the December 24, 1960 rape-murder

of Mrs. Lena T. Barnes, a promient

near Elizabeth City.

ed at 7 p. m

named as follows: Kenansville - W. A. Jones Warsaw Eugene Blanchard Enison Emmett Jackson

Ed Williamson to succeed Russell Brock who is now a member of the County Board of Education B. F. Grady John Goodson Beulaville I. J. Sandlin Wallace B. F. Jessup Rose Hill E. W. Johnson Magnolia David Chestnutt

ames-Kenan J. F. Blanchar A successor for J. F. Strickland

Freely Hall

Duplin Group ASC Meet In Asheville

trative Office for ASC, Stary age allotment and marketing que-Evans, Faye Batts, Ann Hanchey tas, and one on price supports. and Nancy Williams, office personnel of the ASC office in Duplir County are attending the Confer Auditorium beginning at

Asheville on April 4, 5 and 6. Three North Carolinians - David S Weaver, Director of Arricultura! Extension Service, Dr. H. B. James, Dean of the Schol of Arrejulture and Horace D. Godfrey, Administra tor of the Commodity Stabilization Service-will be featured speakers at the conference. The conference opened at 1:00 p. m., April 4 in the City Auditorium in Asheville, David Weaver, Director of the North Carolina Extension Service, and Dr. James were on the program the first day of the conference alone with Charles M. Cox of Washington D. C. The second day of the conference, April 5, the ASC committee men and office managers will divi de up in four committee work ses sions. These sessions will include one on administratve problems, one on the agricultural conservation program and the conservation re-

Revival At Alum Springs

The Rev. Ernest Howell, pastor of the Baptist Church at Lake Lure, will conduct revival services at the Alum Springs Baptist Church beginning Monday night, April 10, at 7:30 P. M. Services will continue each night and conclude with the eleven o'clock services on Sunday

Morning, April 16, The Rev. Mr. Howell is the son of Mrs. Joe Howell of Mt. Olive, Rt. 2. He graduated from B. F. Grady

High School in 1938. lie is cordially invited to

The final session of the conference was held in the Asheville City ence of ASC County Committeemen o'clock on April 6. The final day of and County Office Managers in the conference featured the talk by Godfrey, as well as a talk by ohn B. Vance, Southeast Area Director of CSS. According to Elks. this conference is being be'd for the purpose of preparing ASC committeemen and office employees for etter services to North Carolina farmers through the new feed rains program and other new programs which are expected to be made available by the Congress, the Administration, and the Department of Agriculture.

HDC Council **Plans Dist Meet**

Eighty-two ladies attended the Duplin County Quarterly Home De-

presided at the meeting at which 24 a particularly important part clubs were represented Reports stimulating business and were heard from the various committees.

It was announced at this meeting that District 27 meeting would be izations, and other groups concern held in the Kenan Auditorium on ed with economic development in April 13 at 10:00 A. M. An April 5 North Caroina to take the lead in a Furniture Refinishing Workshop establishing local development comfor House Furnishing Leaders will panies eligible for SBA loans. In be held. The Count Council and the two years that the program has Dress Revue will be on June 1 been in operation, he pointed out, Farm and Home Week, 11-14 and only six (6) development compan-

No one was aware that Judge Walter Britt as Solicitor, underway that he would continue the trial un- the scene of the crime, one of them body, were fired from a .32 caliber pistol. The pistol was introduced as some dry cleaning. He returned a evidence by the state while Deputy Snyder Dempsey was on the stand. Dempsey said the gun was brou-

ght to him by Henry Wiggins, a Negro with whom Boykins was riding when arrested on December 25. Dempsey said when he showed Boykins the gun, while he was in Dupin County Jail, on Wednesday, December 28, he was asked by Dempsey, "Is this your gun?" Dempsey said Boykins reply was. You've got me. I got it out

spent in selecting a jury from a of Mrs. Barnes' house.' The confession which was allegone of the special venire had been ed to have been made in writing by Boykins on Monday, December mas not allowed to be presented

as evidence. Judge Morris, after hearing arguments from the State and defense, ruled that he "would not permit he written confession to be introduced as evidence because it does

not contain the actual language of the defendant." However, Judge Morris said he would permit SBI Agent Hoyle T. Hartley to testify as to what Boy-

kins state y-to him in the presence of four other officers on December In testifying what Boykins told

him, SBI Agent Hartley reconstructed the crime as follows.

Boykns said, according to Hartley that he entered the house from the journed by Judge Morris at 5 p. m., rear, cutting the screen wire over a total of 13 witnesses had a window with his knife, breaking a placed on the witness stand by the -lass and entering. About 30 min- State. utes after entering the house, he heard Mrs Barnes drive up as she examination of SBI Agent Hartley returned from a Christmas Shop- by Defense Attorney Tommy Gresh-

toor after getting a fire poker from ing a statement that what he said the "heater room." When Mrs Bar- could be held against him, he was nes came into the house he struck not told of the penalty in a rapetwo or three time over with the instrument.

thing he remembers is that he was ling any statement. raping Mrs. Barnes on the floor in the "heater room." He said he then defense, that when Boykins was arcarried her to the basement of the rested, according to Deputy Demphouse where he placed her on the sey, that there was no evidence afloor. After walking back up the gainst Boykins. basement stairs, he turned around. The jury sitting on the case is closed his eyes, and fired at the composed of the following Duplin body. Two of the bullets entered County mcn, all white, Mack D. her body around the chest area. Hunter, Edward T. Johnson, Leslie

wooded area. Several witnesses, all Negroes Gray, Harvey Myers, Fernie M. from the Teacheys section, testified Harper, James Hadley and Roscoe that Boykins gave them Christmas Whitman, alternate.

In testimony offered by the State perty belonging to Mrs. Barnes.

woman, testified that Boykins came to her house around 5 p. m. and asked her to wrap as Christmas gifts, two sweaters, a box of candy, a pair of ladies' panties. She said Boykins said he had to pick up round 7 p. m. on Christmas Eve.

Boykins gave the Kenan woman one of the sweaters and a wallett Sara Freeman said she received a sweater and a comb and brush set from Boykins

Fannie Mae Brown said she re ceived a pair of ladies' panties from Boykins.

Lillie Mae Petterson sald she received a box of candy and a wrist watch from Boykins, Mrs. Mary Faircloth, sister

Mrs. Barnes, testified that she saw her sister almost every day and she identified the wrist watch as belo ing to Mrs. Barnes. A lapel watel also taken from Mrs. Barnes, was found on Boykins, along with four 32 caliber bullets when he was arrested and searched at his home, п Teachey.

Mrs. Faircloth also testified that the pistol used to kill Mrs. Barnes belonged to Mrs. Barnes.

Harvey Brady, a REA emplo for whom Mrs. Barnes worked as an electrical prit diffector, testi-fied that the wallet which had been given to the Petterson woman was Man Barils. If had been given to her at a Christmas office party; Il had Mrs. Barnes' name engrave

Court began at 9:30 Wednesday morning and before court was ad-

It was brought out under cross am and Rivers Johnson, Jr. that He waiting behind the kitchen although Boykins was told in makmurder conviction and that not told that he had the privilege Hartley said Boykin said the next of council by attorneys before mak-

It was also brought out by the

Hartley said Boykins then left the Norris, Amos Lanier, Odell Lee house by the rear, and through a Brock John Nick Kalmar, Gerald Harper, George Brown, Russell

Small Business Administration To Make Loans To Local Development Companies

The Small Business Administra- | growth, he said. Small Business Administration,

Mr. Horning explained that under SBA's lending program to local development companies, communities can step up economic gromonstration Council held on March with and boost job opportunities 30. The meeting was held in the and income by helping new small Agricultural Building in Kenans firms get started or by helping small business expand, modernize Mrs. Zollie Kornegay. President or diversify. The program can play labor surplus areas.

Mr. Horning is contacting chambers of commerce, planning organinterested in promoting economic

Under the SBA program, a local tion will cooperate in a "grass Under the SBA program, a local community, working through a pubarea to spur economic activity and licly owned and controlled develop employment through loans to local ment company, can provide the indevelopment companies Mr. Robert itiative and initial investment to B. Horning, Branch Manager of the help established small business expand and modernize an dnew small businesses get started. The SBA, in turn, can lend the development company the major part of the funds it needs to help small en-

> terprises. To be eligible for assistance through SBA loans to a development company a business must qualify as small under SBA size standards In the case of labor surplus areas, SBA has modified these standards to permit a 25 per cent differential. Mr. Horning emphasized that SBAs' role is limited to lending and that the local development CONTINUED ON BA

SPECIAL MEETING AT BEULAVILLE

Special meeting Friday night, April 7, 1961 at the School Auditor-ium, at 7:30 P. M., the purpose of Farm and Home Week, 11-14 and National Home Demonstration Week from May 1-6, were announced.

The meeting adjourned and a social hour was enjoyed at which time the Chinquapin Club served refreshments.

(6) development companies in the North Carolina area have taken advantage of the program and obtained SBA loans. There is large untapped source of assistantime the Chinquapin Club served refreshments.



NEW PRESS - The Duplin Times is now being printed off a Duplex press, eight page capacity, at the print-ing plant in Kenansville. Here Foreman Amos Quinn, left, and Moses Cooper, in background, are busy running off an issue of the Duplin Times The new press represents a sizeable investment for the Duplin Times and Weekly Gazelle. It is hoper that the

quality of printing will be improved considerably and that the subscribers to the Duplin Times will appreciate the new press. Investments have been made annually by Mrs. Ruth Grady, publisher of the Weekly Gazette and Duplin Times, in an effort to give our readers and advertisers better service. (Photo by Paul Barwick)