



Stallings Killed In Auto Wreck Near Chinquapin Past Week End

Duplin County experienced its seventh fatality for the year during the past week end when William Richard Stallings, age 20, negro was killed instantly. His speeding car crashed into the railing of the Hill Swamp Bridge.

The accident happened around 11:05 Sunday morning. Patrolman Wray of Warsaw who investigated

the accident said the noise of the impact was heard by residents in the neighborhood.

Stallings was apparently on his way home as his dwelling was only about five houses away from the place he was killed. Patrolman Wray said. The colored youth had allegedly been at a night spot in the vicinity shortly before the acci-

dent, the officer said.

Investigation shows that two cars were involved in the mishap, both traveling east toward Maple Hill on Highway NC 50, about three miles east of Chinquapin, in the Mill Swamp section. Officers Wray identified the cars as a 1957 Ford for driven by Stallings, who was killed and a 1956 Olds tudor, driven by Elworth Pickett, 26 year old negro of Route 1, Chinquapin. Stallings was riding alone. Grace Pickett, 18, was a passenger in Pickett's vehicle.

"It is believed that the two automobiles were racing when the crash occurred," Patrolman Wray said. "With physical evidence showing that both were traveling at very high rates of speed."

According to Wray, both vehicles were traveling the same direction, close together. The Oldsmobile, driven by Pickett, was apparently in the right lane, and made a turn across the highway in front of the vehicle driven by Stallings, hitting the left railing of the Bridge of the Bride. The vehicle completely jumped the 36 foot creek and rolled to a stop on the other side.

The vehicle driven by Stallings crossed the highway behind Pickett's vehicle, according to evidence, and crashed into the right side bridge railing, completely destroying it. "It also jumped the 36-foot canal, landing on the other side, overturning several times. Debris was thrown some 270 feet from the point of the impact."

Stallings was killed instantly when he was pinned in his car by a shaft from the bridge railing which crashed into the front of the automobile and struck Stallings' head and rammed his body into the back seat, Wray said.

Pickett, driver of the second car, received possible internal injuries and was admitted to Duplin General Hospital, for observation. It is reported he is not seriously injured and Grace Pickett was thrown 25 or 30 feet out of the car, but was apparently uninjured.

Pickett has been charged with careless and reckless driving and manslaughter. Patrolman Wray said. Assisting in the investigation was Patrolman Steward of Kenansville.

Both cars were completely demolished and quite a bit of damage was done to the bridge.

To Receive State Homemakers



LYNDA RAE WESTBROOK



SCARLETTE HILL



BLYTHE BELL



JANICE HOLT

These members of the B. F. Grady Chapter of Future Homemakers of America have been recently notified that they have met the requirements for and are eligible to receive the State Homemaker's Degree to be conferred at the

State F. H. A. Convention on April 15 in Raleigh. The State Homemaker's Degree is the highest attainment one might reach in the Future Homemakers of America organization.

Eleven Duplin County Students Winners In Typing Contest; To Be In District

A Duplin County-wide typing contest in which 55 students from James Kenan, Wallace-Rose Hill and B. F. Grady school were entered.

A total of eleven winners were announced out of the contestants today by Mrs. Faye Q. Williams.

Two winners were announced in the senior division and nine winners were declared in the junior division.

Winners in the contest will go to

East Carolina College, April 20, to participate in the District Typing Contest. This is an annual event.

Six of the winners in the junior division are from James Kenan. They are: Polly Brinson, Frances Stroud, Linda English, Glenda Outlaw, G. W. Smith, and Bobby Battis. Three winners in this division are Wallace-Rose Hill students. They are: Paula Newton, Dennis Burrows, and Glenda Teachey.

Both of the senior division winners were from James Kenan. They are Lettie Pate and Gail Kennedy.

A representative from East Carolina College administered the tests. It consisted of typing from straight copy, problem typing, and rough drafts. In addition to this, contestants had a test on basic information on typing.

Mistrial Ordered In Rape-Murder Trial Of Boykins

An order declaring a mistrial in the rape-murder trial of Theodore Boykins, of Teachey in Duplin County, has been signed by Superior Court Judge Chester Morris.

Judge Morris suffered a heart attack while sitting as judge in the trial Wednesday afternoon, April 5, around 4:45 p. m.

Judge Morris was taken to Duplin General Hospital where he remained until Saturday, April 8, at which time he was transported to a hospital in Elizabeth City.

The order ordering a mistrial had the consent of Solicitor Walter Britt, Defense Attorneys Thomas Gresham and Rivers Johnson, Jr., and the defendant himself, Theodore Boykins.

Boykins is on trial for his life and is charged with the rape-murder of Mrs. Lena T. Burns, a prominent widow, in her home, in Rose Hill, on Christmas Eve, 1959.

Perkins & Quinn Win Selling Honor

Jack Perkins and Leslie Quinn have been awarded the Chevrolet Motor Division's highest selling honor. Perkins and Quinn of the sales staff of James Chev. Co. Inc. were named to membership in Chevrolet's "Legion of Leaders" Honor Club at a special award banquet attended by fellow members from the Division's Charlotte Zone. This is their second entry into the select group of Chevrolet salesmen.

For a quarter of a century Chevrolet has recognized its leading salesmen. It's first "Honor Organization" was inaugurated in 1926. Now, twenty-five years after its inception, the "Legion of Leaders" is considered the most rewarding recognition program for salesmen in the automotive industry.

Trial & Error

I understand that the wind storm in Duplin did quite a bit of damage last night, but they are all unofficial reports. Russell Lanier said that several tops were blown off of barns in Beulaville, so he had heard. But it was a bad storm while it lasted.

The Azaleas were never more beautiful than in Wilmington last week end. Saturday was such a pretty day, and the children and I went down for the day, and ambled around through all of the gardens. We missed seeing the celebrities except The Rebel - Johnny Yuma. He stepped off the pavement right in front of our car and my son-in-law Roger casually remarked that if he hadn't had good brakes on the car, that he would be famous for hitting Johnny Yuma. Margaret was so excited about seeing him that she wanted his autograph, but by time we circled the block and got back in all the traffic, we could not find him.

Speaking of Azaleas and pretty small towns, I don't think that there is one anywhere around much prettier than Mt. Olive in the spring. Their dogwood is so pretty.

It doesn't seem possible that Commencement is so near at hand. Just about another month and the children will be out of school for the summer. Let's start thinking about summer plans for our children so they will not have too much spare time on their hands. A little planning ahead of time may make a big difference in their lives. RUTH

EDITORIAL Agriculture Program Of Future At Stake In Present Feed Grain Program

By Paul Barwick

Farmers all across North Carolina are being urged to participate in the Federal Feed Grain program.

We would like to suggest to the Farmers of Duplin County that they participate in the program to the fullest. It is our opinion that the very future of all agricultural programs are at stake.

Should farmers not participate in this program designed to reduce the surplus feed grain stocks, then the Kennedy Administration would have difficulty getting through Congress any legislation that would be a change from the past eight years.

Farmers in this section of the United States will benefit greatly from the feed grain program as has been passed by a narrow margin by Congress and not in effect.

Farmers who participate will receive pay for taking acreage out of production and at the same time will have their corn supported at \$1.29 per bushel. A farmer who does not participate will have to take his chances with the open market.

An interesting thing about the Feed Grain program is that although farmers will be paid to remove grain from production, the cost will be \$500,000,000 less than the operation of the old agricultural support program for corn.

It is absolutely imperative that the feed grain stocks on storage and in surplus in the United States be reduced. Total stocks this year are a record high of 244 million tons. This is nearly 100 million tons above 1953 and at least 50 per cent more than the expected use this year.

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Schedule For Duplin Farmers To Sign Up In Feed Grain Program Announced

A scheduled for Duplin Co. farmers to come into the County ASC office, in Kenansville, and sign up to participate in the Federal Feed Grain Program has been set up.

Rufus Elks, County ASC Office Manager, said today that the "operation of all farmers in this program and the schedule will be appreciated."

Elks said, "In order for us to serve the farmers faster, we are requesting that all farmers in the township come in on the date specified for their township."

The schedule by townships, and the dates, are:

Albertson, April 14; Cypress Creek April 17; Faison, April 18; Glisson April 19;
Island Creek, April 20; Kenansville, April 21; Limestone, April 24; Magnolia, April 25; Rockfish, April 26;
Rose Hill, April 27; Smith, April 28; Warsaw, May 1; and Wolfscap, May 2.
All farmers in the County will have an opportunity to participate in this program. The sign-up period will last until June 1, 1961.

Under the Feed Grain Program, a farmer can divert 20 per cent or 20 acres of his base corn allotment, whichever is greater. A farmer who participates in the program will receive one-half the North Carolina support price on corn, which is \$1.29 per bushel, multiplied by the number of base acres in the County. The individual base acreage on the individual farm in 1959 and 60 is also used in figuring the price farmers will receive for taking corn out of production.

Farmers who participate will receive price support for their corn production. But farmers who do not participate in the program and remove at least 20 per cent of the feed grain production from planting, will not receive price support for any of the feed grains. These feed grains include corn, grain sorghum, barley, oats and rye.

For Central Heating Plant

A. J. Jenkins, Inc. Awarded Contract

A. J. Jenkins, President of A. J. Jenkins and Sons, Inc., Warsaw, reports that his Company was awarded contract amounting to \$179,319 on November 30, for Central heating plant for the general services Division of the State of North Carolina, in Raleigh. The project consists of team distribution lines from the new heating plant to the present heating plants on N. Dawson and N. Salisbury Streets. Work began on April 10 with engineering layout, excavation and insulating tunnel under a downtown boulevard.

The entire job should be completed by August 30, with twenty men at work and ten laborers being hired during construction, under project Superintendent E. E. Jones, of Raleigh. William C. Oslen & Associates, of Raleigh, are the Engineers on this work.

Offer To Serve In Bomb Shelter

Mr. and Mrs. Jepsen Pickett of Pink Hill have expressed a desire to Governor Sanford to occupy the bomb shelter located in the Executive Mansion, for three days this month.

In addition to their interest in civil defense, the Picketts have a personal reason for wanting to engage in the shelter experience. Pickett and the Governor served together for 23 months in the 517th Paratroop Infantry during World War 2, most of the time overseas. They became good friends, and the Governor has visited in the Pickett home a number of times, both before and during his campaign, in which they were very active.

It is probable that the Picketts may be chosen from the list furnished to Gov. Sanford by news media, to serve through the three days.

470 Farmers Effected In Proposed Limestone Creek Watershed Project

A total of 470 farms are involved in the proposed improvement of the Limestone Creek Watershed, now under consideration in Duplin County.

Herbert Best, Jr., secretary-treasurer of the County Supervisors of the Southeastern Soil Conservation District, said today that efforts are now underway to establish a legal organization through which to work on the project.

In order for an application to be made to the Federal Government for financial assistance up to \$250,000 for stream clearing along Limestone Creek, at least 30 per cent of the 470 farms effected will have to first begin conservation practices.

Elmer Graham, Assistant North Carolina Soil Conservation Director, told a group of farmers at the Potter's Hill Community Building, that the success or failure of the program depends entirely upon the participation and cooperation of the farmers effected by the proposed project.

At the present time, the construction of no impounding water structure is anticipated, Best informs. The Federal Grant which would be allocated after a legal organization is formed and at least 30 per cent of the farm participating in conservation practices, would be used for creek clearance to assure adequate drainage.

It was pointed out at the Potter's Hill meeting that only 47 farms, or 10 per cent, of the farms effected in the proposed watershed project are participating in soil conservation practices.

Among the conservation projects that are approved are construction of contours, grass waterways, on-farm drainage, tree planting, strip cropping and crop rotation.

There is some financial assistance available to farmers in the watershed through the ASC and Soil Conservation Service in Duplin County.

Best pointed out today that farmers who wish to do more than they can get assistance for from the ASC and SCS can grow money from the Farmers Home Administration at an interest rate of 2.7 per cent interest. The repayment can be spread out over a long period of time.

The purpose of such a watershed project is to prevent the land from

being flooded along the creek during periods of excessive rain and to prevent top soil on farms from being washed into the creek.

In Graham's comments, he stressed that the purpose of the watershed improvement could not be achieved without the complete cooperation and participating of farmers who are part of the watershed.

Although there is no chance of getting approval for the Limestone Creek Watershed project until 1962 and securing Federal assistance, then, farmers are being encouraged to begin the soil conservation practices now in order that an application can be made immediately.

Best said a full or part-time secretary is needed to serve the watershed project. This is necessary in order that engineers will not have to be tied up on so much paper work, which is necessary in preparing applications for such projects.

The County Board of Commissioners will be asked to set aside funds to employ such a secretary.

One than Graham in attendance at the Potter's Hill meeting were:

Elmer Moore, Area SCS Supervisor; Ray Smith, State Biologist; Vernon H. Reynolds, Duplin Farm Agent; George Penney, Duplin Soil Conservationist; and Best.



Hugh M. Wells reclining in the chair presented to him by the Grade P. T. A. From left to right are L. A. Higgins, vice president; Mrs. Lettie Bell, treasurer; Mrs. Paul Westbrook, secretary; Mrs. Letitia Williams, president; and Mrs. M. Wells.

Hugh Wells Honored At Tea Sunday

Hugh M. Wells, 15 years as Principal of the B. F. Grady School, was honored at a tea Sunday afternoon, April 9, at the school cafeteria.

Mr. Wells has been principal of the B. F. Grady School for the past 15 years. He has been in school work for the past 35 years. All but two of these have been in Duplin County.

Mr. Wells was honored by a tea Sunday afternoon, April 9, at the B. F. Grady P. T. A. at the school cafeteria.

Mr. L. A. Higgins, Sr., P. T. A. Vice President, presided. Mrs. Wells was honored in a reclining chair given by the P. T. A.

Mr. and Mrs. Lehman Williams presided over the tea as they introduced guests to the first receiving line composed of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Wells and their children, and wives.

For the second receiving line Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Wiggins, Jr., introduced guests to the second receiving line.

Introduced guests to the principal, Mr. William Thigpen and Mrs. Thompson.

The cafeteria was beautifully decorated with arrangements of spring flowers. The center table was decorated with a silver bowl of white flowers, glass vases, and candy, flanked by silver candelabra with lighted tapers.

Presiding at the refreshments table were Miss Bessie Korneay, Mrs. Nina Garner, Mrs. Alice Davis, and Mrs. Lorena Vesal.

Hostesses-at-large were Miss Thelma Dill, Miss Mary Anna Britt, Hazel Ruth Korneay, Mrs. Maude Ford, Mrs. Henrietta Grady, Miss Sallie Outlaw, and Mrs. Edna Ward.

The register was presided over by Mr. and Mrs. Paul Westbrook. On this table was a beautiful arrangement of pink tulips and azaleas.

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Progress Report Red Cross Campaign

As of April 8th, only a few of the communities had completed their local campaigns, however William E. Craft, Manager for the 1961 Drive for Members and Funds, submits herewith a partial report:

Beulaville Ervin Dobson, \$50.00
Cabin-Mrs. Ray Thomas, \$20.00
Chinquapin, Mrs. Theodore King, \$7.10
Hallsville - Norwood Miller \$40.00 exceeded quota
Potter's Hill - L. M. Bostic \$78.38 exceeded quota and first to report
Fountain-Lyman, Mrs. H. Lanier \$5.75
Wallace-Attorney Bernice Batts \$329.52 (the best report in several years.)

Calyss, Mrs. Charles Sloan \$15.50
Kenansville, Mrs. Janet Giles \$155.56
Warsaw, Attorney Mitchell Britt \$10.00
Teachey, Mrs. Charles Bowden \$30.00
Faison, Mrs. R. L. Benson, \$54.75
Negro Division, Mrs. Irene Carr, \$400.00
Total so far \$1456.56
If you have not made your donation to this cause, mail your check to your local chairman as soon as possible as it is greatly needed if Duplin County is to meet its quota this year of \$5,000.

March Of Dimes Drive Report

In the March of Dimes Drive in Duplin County, the amount collected was \$6256.52. This exceeds last year by about \$500.
Of this amount \$35.45 went to organization expenses, 25% for March of Dimes Medical Research Fund, 1555.27, 50% or \$3332.90 to the Local Chapter and \$2332.90 to the National Headquarters.

Mrs. D. D. Drew, Jr. of Magnolia was chairman for the drive and she wishes to express her appreciation to everyone who helped make the drive such a success and especially thank the chairman of the various communities.

Correction

Last week's Duplin Times accidentally stated that J. O. Smith, chairman of the Duplin County Board of Education address was Albertson. We would like to correct this, his address is Pink Hill.