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## Three Auto Fatalities Already In Duplin

Dr. Hezzie Wayland Colwell, 72, died Thursday of injuries suffered in an auto accident early Tuesday morning. The Wallace optometrist became Duplin's first traffic fatality of the year.

At least 18 persons died on Duplin roads during 1963.

The second traffic death occurred Saturday afternoon when Rennie Carlton Brock, 26, of Beaufort, was killed instantly in an automobile which ran through a stop sign, went across an intersection and slammed into an embankment on Highway 50. No other car was involved. Brock was partially thrown from the automobile and died from head injuries and cuts, according to investigating officers.

A passenger in the car, Lonnie Sam Houston, 27, of Rose Hill, is in serious condition in Duplin General Hospital suffering with severe facial cuts, possible internal injuries and broken ribs. It is not known which man was driving the car.

Funeral services for Brock were held on Monday at 2 p.m. in the Norman Funeral Home at Wallace by the Rev. K.D. Brown of Burgaw. Burial was in Devoational Gardens near Warsaw.

Survivors include his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Thomas Brock of Beaufort; six brothers, Melvin E. Brock of Beaufort, Morris L. Brock of Philadelphia, William E. Herman and Garland Brock of Norfolk, Va. and Elwood B. Brock of Mount Olive; and two sisters, Mrs. Marvis Bell and Mrs. Alma Simmons of Beaufort.

The third death was that of a Magnolia man, Hosea William Lanier, 39, who was killed in

Wallace early Sunday morning. The car in which he was riding struck a parked car. Lanier was thrown from the car and died instantly when the car rolled over him. It is said that the car turned over at least four times and travelled some 350 feet before coming to a stop.

Carolyn Ann Whitman, 21, of Rose Hill, is in fair condition in Duplin General Hospital with a broken pelvis and ankle and face cuts. Another passenger in the Lanier car was Linwood Kenneth Ezzell of Rose Hill, 25 who is reported in satisfactory condition in the hospital with a broken leg and bruises. An inquest will be held Friday by Coroner Hector McNeill.

Funeral services for Lanier were held Monday at 3 p.m. in Concord Baptist Church by the Rev. E.F. Knight and the Rev. John Roberts. Burial was in Harrell Cemetery.

Survivors include his widow, Mrs. Eunice G. Lanier; two daughters, Misses Teresa Ann Lanier and Jennifer Rose Lanier, both of the home; his mother, Mrs. Laura P. Lanier of Rt. 1, Magnolia; three sisters, Mrs. Lillie M. Holmon of Wilmington, Mrs. Rossie Brinson of Wallace, Mrs. Thelma Casteen of Rose Hill; and three brothers, L.J. Lanier of Wilmington, Charlie Lanier of Jacksonville and Johnny Lanier of Wallace.



RALEIGH—The Motor Vehicles Department's summary of traffic deaths through 10:00 a.m. Monday, January 13: KILLED TO DATE 43 KILLED TO DATE LAST YEAR 32.

## Jurors - Feb. County Court

Franklin Simmons Williams, Harry Stroud, T.T. Harrell, Gordon Bryan Jackson, David John Whaley, Thad Jones, James E. Outlaw, L.B. Herring, J.H. Bryant, R.S. Whitman

Richard R. Rouse, Elbert Ma-ready, Willie Grady, Grover Hill, Adolph Bostic, S.D. Casteen, Jr., E. Warren Herring, Ralph Langston, Robert Stanley Kelly, Mitford M. Walker.

## March Of Dimes Teen-Age Dance

There will be a Teen-Age Dance at the Rose Hill Elementary School Gymnasium on January 18, from 7 to 11 p.m., for the benefit of the March of Dimes Campaign. Admission is \$1 each, and music is by the Astronics.

Miss Judy Bradshaw, a senior at New Hanover High and chairman of the State Teen-Age Club will be present as will the chairman of the New Hanover Club.

A Daughters March of Dimes will be conducted January 27, and 28 when door-to-door calls will be made for the fund.

## 1964 Feed Grain Program

The signup for the 1964 feed grain program will begin on February 10 and run through March 27 according to Rufus Elks, Jr. Manager, Duplin ASCS County Office. He said further that the 1964 program is essentially the same program that was available in 1963. The program will be voluntary, all bases are combined, and farmers must divert at least 20 percent of the total base to be eligible for diversion payments and price support.

Elks explained that in some cases farmers will get slightly higher payments this year. Farmers that divert over 40 percent of their base will get the higher payment rate on all the diverted acreage. They may divert the larger of 35 acres or 20 percent of their total base. Any farmer with questions about his individual base should contact the ASCS office.

## Trial & Error

Have you been by the window at the Warsaw Dry Cleaners in Warsaw? If you haven't it is well worth your time to walk by and admire the lovely poinsettias. They are out of this world! Both windows are filled with growing poinsettias, interspersed with collas. I don't know who is responsible for growing them, but they have done a wonderful job.

went in the bus station in Warsaw last Thursday while delivering papers and was chatting away to Oliver Jones, or so I thought. After a few minutes conversation with him, I looked for the second time and the man said, "Who are you?" Further conversation disclosed that I was talking to Furney Jones Oliver's brother, they surely do look alike. However Furney said he thought he was much better looking than Oliver.

It has always been said that people talk about the weather when they have nothing else to talk about, but of late I believe anyone is justified in talking about the weather. The beautiful sunny days with the thermometer playing around below freezing, the ground which does not thaw out day after day and on Monday night the beautiful snow fall—all make conversation material. On Monday night I awakened about one a.m. and went to the window to see how much snow was falling and the sky was the most beautiful sight you have ever seen. Each star was like a sparkling jewel and looked huge. The great dipper was as easily seen as if it had been outlined. Within just a short period of time the area had turned from a snow storm to a clear calm world.

Duplin County Court House surely looks naked. Several of the old, old trees which have been standing for ages have been pushed over with bulldozers. It makes us old-timers of Kenansville real sad. However 'tis true that on court days, room is badly needed for parking cars. The old must move over to make room for the new, for this progress moves on and on and on.

## Executive Board Of Women Of Presbytery Meet

The Executive Board of the Women of Wilmington Presbytery met in the Warsaw Presbyterian Church on last Thursday, Jan. 9, at 11:00 a.m. this was the first of the three quarterly meetings that are held each year by the Presbyterial. The second one will be held in the Winter Park Church in Wilmington on August 8th, and the third one will meet just prior to the Annual Meeting on October 15, in the First Church at Whiteville with the Westminster Presbyterian Church there as co-hostess.

At the meeting held last week in Warsaw, the local Presidents were invited to sit in at the meeting. The Presbyterial President, Mrs. Henry L. Stevens, Jr., of Warsaw presided, Mrs. Charles Worth of Whiteville, who is Chairman of Spiritual Growth of this group, conducted an impressive Devotional on Christian Worship, which is the Theme for this year's general programs.

After a cordial welcome from Mrs. E.P. Ewers, president of the Women of the Warsaw Church, the Recording Secretary, Mrs. Mac F. Jones of Wilmington called the roll to which the following responded: 14 officers 6 District chairman.

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## Price-Support Deadline Jan. 31

Farmers who want to place wheat, oats, barley, rye, grain, sorghum, soybeans, and peanuts produced in 1963 under price-support loans or purchase agreements have only a short time until the deadline date of January 31, according to Rufus Elks, Jr., Manager Duplin ASCS County Office.

Mr. Elks issued the reminder because early applications will avoid delays that could occur near the deadline. The producer who wants to place farm-stored grain under loan can expect that the necessary inspection of the storage building and testing of samples for grade and moisture content will take several days. When the commodity is stored in a commercial warehouse, somewhat less time is required to process the loan. All forms are to be completed in time for the money to be disbursed not later than February 17.

## Duplin Approves 5 To 1, But State Defeats "Little Fed" Plan 3 to 2



MR. AND MRS. OSCAR HOUSTON

## He Stood Between The People And The Law Violator For 36 Years

Mr. Oscar Houston of Beaufort, no doubt, knows many more people in Duplin and where they live than any other man in the county, and counts every one a friend.

He has served more warrants, summonses, capases and other legal paper than any other man; "cut more copper," apprehended more violators of the law than any other. Yet, all respect Mr. Oscar and know that he did his duty fearlessly, fairly and honorably. It would be hard to find an enemy even among those he has "brought in."

Mr. Oscar completed 36 years in law enforcement work in Duplin last December, 11 of these years he lived in the jail. He began as a constable of Limestone Township in 1927, then as a deputy under Sheriff David S. Williamson for 6 1/2 years, another 6 years under Sheriff Ralph Jones, ten years under Sheriff Ralph Miller and until now has been an active deputy under Sheriff T. E. Revelle. Mr. Oscar began this long tenure of office with friends and ended it with more friends, both white and colored.

He has now retired as an active deputy, at 72 years of age, and moved from the jail back to his home in Beaufort. But, Sheriff Revelle, while wishing him every good thing and enjoyment of his retirement after so many years of faithful service to the people of Duplin, is not letting him get completely out of harness. Mr. Oscar will still be Sheriff Revelle's court deputy, for he is really at home in court.

Automobiles and roads in 1927 were not the same as they are today, and Mr. Oscar can tell many exciting tales of his experiences in the days gone by when there were only two deputies in the whole county, Mr. Oscar and Mr. Kirby Dall, and the two of them had to cover the county day or night, and have all papers. He remembers one occasion when it was necessary to summons a special venire for duty the following day. He left Kenansville at 5 p.m. one afternoon and returned at 3 a.m. having summoned 74 jurors.

He recalls helping to destroy a whiskey still located three (3) miles underground, an elaborate affair probably costing \$10,000 to build. Another was found upstairs over a packhouse. He says that one of the greatest evils of the illicit liquor traffic is that the vender will sell to anyone, even young boys, without regard to the consequences. He has seen many times the raw results of the liquor trade in deaths on the highway, deaths from improperly made whiskey and the hardships brought upon homes by its use. No doubt, he has destroyed more illicit stills, or "cut copper," as he calls it, than any other man in the county.

Mr. and Mrs. Houston were married November 16, 1912, and celebrated their fiftieth anniversary a year ago. His wife, Mrs. Dessie, deserves much credit along with Mr. Oscar. When there was a knock on the door in the night, it roused her too, and too often their sleep was broken several times during the same night.

The county has a communications system in the jail and it was Mrs. Houston who answered the call for ambulances, patrolmen or what-not at every emergency at night and on the weekends. She had to relay the call on to the proper officer and awakening has happened as many as eight times a night. It was necessary for one or the other to be at the jail at all times, making it impossible for them to go places together. Then, there was the noise at the jail and the constant stream of visitors to be let in and let out. These were 11 long years for Mrs. Dessie, and they both look forward to the quiet of their comfortable home in Beaufort and to many nights of uninterrupted sleep.

The Houstons have 6 children, four sons and two daughters, Hubert, Houston who lives with them in Beaufort; James Houston of Kinston; Lattie and Alois of Kenansville; Mrs. Ardolia Jones of Pink Hill and Mrs. Jessie Lee Willford of Smithfield; ten grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

## Kenansville Com. Mt. Olive Col.

Dr. Robert Shackelford, president of the Mount Olive Junior College Area Foundation, announced today the appointment of Wilbert A. Jones as chairman of the Kenansville Committee of the Mount Olive College building fund campaign.

Mr. Jones who has been with the local ACS office for the past ten years, has long maintained an interest in the college program because of the services to the youth of Kenansville and this immediate area.

Mr. Jones stated that the local quota will be \$1,000 and that a local committee that will work with him will be formed immediately. The target date for the start of the first phase of construction at Mt. Olive college is April 1.

Long-range building plans at the college envision a total of 22 buildings to be erected on the 90 acre tract of land purchased recently by the college. The first phase will consist of six new buildings, four dormitory units, a library and an academic building. Working drawings will be completed soon.

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Learn To Sky Dive

The Ground School Seymour Johnson Air Force Base Sky Diving Club will hold a special ground school training course at the Goldsboro Industrial Education Center. The course will be offered to all those persons interested in learning the fundamental concepts, principles and skills of sky diving. Those interested in attending this class do not have to be members of the Club. Persons successfully completing this course will have the opportunity to become members and participate in the various sky diving activities.

The first class session will be held on Wednesday, January 15, 1964 from 7:00 to 10:00 p.m. and will meet thereafter on each Monday and Wednesday evening for a total of 15 class hours of instruction. There will be no charge for those participating in the class.

For further details, contact S/Sgt. E.E. Van Valkenberg, Seymour Johnson Air Force Base or the Goldsboro Industrial Education Center.

Members of the Duplin-Pender Hairdressers Association are once again busy planning for National Beauty Salon Week program, February 9-15. Committees have been appointed and everyone is striving to make this another successful week. All Hairdressers who are members and who have not been attending are urged to come to the meetings and give support to this worthy cause. A spokesman for the group has stated.

The week of February 9-15 will include visiting the Rest

Unofficial returns from all 20 of Duplin's precincts showed 2,044 votes for the "little federal" plan to realign the Legislature and 444 against the plan, a margin of 5 to 1.

The measure carried well in all of the southeastern counties except Onslow, but the more populous counties of the state soundly defeated the plan by a margin of 3 to 2. With most of the returns in, the Statewide vote was 127,000 for the amendment and 223,000 against. The large cities voted against the proposal and the rural sections for the plan. In the Charlotte area the vote was 24 to 1, against the amendment, Winston-Salem area 14 to 1, and Greensboro 23 to 1.

The failure of the amendment to carry means the House will continue to have 120 members with at least one from each county and the remaining 20 to be allotted on the basis of population. There will continue to be 50 Senators, with each representing 91,000 people, as near as possible, with at least one Senator from each of 96 districts.

The constitutional amendment to equalize property rights of wives and husbands won overwhelming approval. In Duplin the vote was 2,036 for the amendment and 314 against. The property equality plan carried over the State by a margin greater than 4 to 1. Statewide voters cast some 282,000 votes for this amendment and 87,000 against it.

## Democratic Women Met

Duplin County Democratic Women met at the Court House Monday night. Mrs. C.B. Penny, president, presided.

After a prayer by Mrs. Henry L. Stevens, Jr. of Warsaw, Mrs. Norwood Boney led the group in the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Mrs. Christine Williams gave a eulogistic speech praising the late President Kennedy and pointing out his high personal example of intelligence and grace of action; the extraordinary spectacle of 220 foreign leaders in attendance at his funeral to express world-wide grief; the courage and majesty displayed to the world by his wife; and the continuance quality in our government to overcome such a crisis and move on under other leadership.

Attorney W. Chris Blossom of Wallace explained to the group the amendments before the voters on Tuesday.

Mrs. David Ressie Smith gave the treasurer's report and the minutes of the last meeting were read by Mrs. J.J. Wells, secretary.

Mrs. Robert Blackmore, the sponsor of Duplin Teen Dems, introduced Vann Johnson, president of Teen Dems, who introduced Miss Marina Blackmore of Warsaw and J.A. Davis of Calypso, who told of their experiences at the State Teen Dem Convention.

Mrs. Avon Sharpe, Warsaw, Chairman; Mrs. J.B. Stroud, Magnolia; Mrs. Hess Davis, Albemarle; Mrs. Jim Smith, of Chinquapin and Mrs. Chris Blossom, Wallace, were named a nominating committee for officers to be elected in October.

All members were urged to mail their 1964 dues to Mrs. David Ressie Smith, Kenansville.

## Hairdressers Plan For National Week

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DUPLIN LADIES AT FIRST LADY'S COFFEE PARTY FOR MOTHERS' MARCH LEADERS. Mrs. Terry Sanford welcomed the ladies who will participate in the Mothers' March, left to right, Mrs. Dewitt McGowan, Mrs. J.T. Brinkley, Mrs. Terry Sanford, Mrs. Avon Fuller and Mrs. Neal Carlton.

## First Lady Entertains Ladies

Mrs. Terry Sanford graciously welcomed ladies from throughout the State who will participate in the Mothers' March for the March of Dimes to the Governor's Mansion on Tuesday, January 7, 1964.

The program consisted of a teen Hootenany trio--The Salem Singers from Roanoke Rapids--a summary of accomplishments by the Director of the Birth Defects Special Treatment Center at Chapel Hill, Dr. L.G. MacKinney, and was highlighted by the appearance of Robert Stone of Bailey.

Dr. MacKinney stressed the

fact that the Special Treatment Center takes a "comprehensive team approach to this complex problem, utilizing the special skills of all departments of the medical school."

The Salem Singers are three Roanoke Rapids teenagers who formed their trio during the Governor's School in Winston-Salem this past summer. They performed several numbers to provide an atmosphere of informality to the occasion.

Bobby Stone, son of Mr. and Mrs. Junius B. Stone of Bailey, North Carolina, was undoubtedly the "star attraction."

He was born paralyzed from the waist down, but is now able to walk with long leg braces and saw horses as a result of intensive treatment at the Birth Defects Center at the N.C. Memorial Hospital.

Guests included the State-volunteer March of Dimes Chairman, Mr. Wendell H. Eysenbach of Winston-Salem, and Mrs. Eysenbach, and Miss Judy Bradshaw of Wilmington, State Teen Chairman for the March of Dimes, Mrs. Aubrey Leigh Holt, State Advisor on Women's Activities, served as general chairman.