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PHLORY - L. M. Whaley (left), popular operator of Wallace Drug Co. and "Bill" Browder, Greyhound Bus driver, are pilloried by Mayor Melvin Cording. Passers-by jeer at the victims because they have smooth shaven cheek and did not grow beards to celebrate the Wallace Diamond Jubilee, April 9 to 12. (Staff photo by Gene Pierce.)

Beulaville Methodist Break Ground Saturday

Ground-breaking ceremonies for the Beulaville Methodist Church will be held Saturday, March 21 at 3 p. m. Construction on the newly-organized church will begin within a few weeks.

The Beulaville Methodist Church was organized in 1958. Dr. A. Jarvis Hobbs, district superintendent of the New Bern District; Rev. Horace Gangey, pastor of the Richlands Circuit; and Rev. W. B. Cotton, pastor of the Methodist Church in Richlands met in January of 1958, in the Methodist parsonage in Richlands, for the purpose of making a preliminary survey of the Beulaville community. On the basis of the findings of this survey it was determined that there was a good potential for the growth of a Methodist church in Beulaville.

Services were held in the Beulaville School Auditorium at 3 p. m., the first service being held on Sunday, September 18, 1958. The response was good. Due to cold weather, nome of the members made arrangements to hold services in the Masonic Hall beginning in November. The Masons graciously granted the use of the building rent free. Services were changed from 3 p. m. to 9 a. m.

The church continued to grow and on January 10, 1959 was officially organized with a special service attended by many officials of the Methodist Church Dr. A. J. Hobbs, Mayor Gordon S. Muidrow, and officers of the Haw Branch and

Gum Branch Churches (the other two churches on this circuit.) Rev. Thomas Collins, now president of Weslyan College at Rocky Mount, was the guest speaker.

A building site was chosen by the district committee from several prospective sites selec-Continued To Page 2

Red Cross Hits \$845

Reporting communities throughout Duplin show a favorable trend at the end of the second week of the annual Red Cross Drive, Dr. Hugh M. Powell, Fund Chairman, reports.

Communities reported contributions as follows: Beautancus, \$10; Wallace, \$300; Rose Hill, \$200; Warsaw, \$75; Kenansville, \$88; Potter's Hill, \$82; Faison, \$10 and Calypso, \$80.

Mrs. Tommy Baker joins the

drive as chairman in the Wallace residential area, and Marvin Sutton in the Warsaw business area.

The goal for the county is \$5,000 and everyone is asked by Dr. Powell to help their community reach their goal.

The recent flooding in the Ohio River Valley is a grim reminder of the need for our American Red Cross in this country. A total of 110,000 horneless persons received Red Cross aid in food, clothing and shelter when 26,000 homes and 900 businesses were destroyed or damaged. Dr. Powell says, "Give today, that the Red Cross may help tomorrow.



REV. D. E. EARNHARDT

Rev. Earnhardt to Conduct Rose Hill Revival

The Reverend D. E. Earnhardt of Durham will be the revival preacher for services to be held at Rose Hill Methodist Church during Holy Week.

Mr. Earnhardt is the son of a Methodist minister and has two sons in the active ministry. He has served in country, village, and city churches; as superintendent of the Fayette-ville District; and president of Louisburg College. He also served in both World Wars. He is author of "The Wayside Pulpit" in the North Carolina Christian Advocate and is pastor of McMannen Methodist Church, Durham.

On Sunday, March 22, Mr. Earnhardt will teach the com-Continued To Page 2



PRESIDENTS'S HOUSE - Grove Academy opened in Kenansville in 1785 "to fit young men for college, or to prepare them for the ordinary walks of life." It operated for 122 years. James Sprunt Institute (See editorial) opened its door in 1896 and taught until the mid 1920's. The two served the youth of this section over a span of 140 years, and all that remains materially is the president's house of the Institute pictured above. Much interest is being manifest in the renewal of post high school instruction in Duplin - "in polishing the minds" of our youth both in the arts and in vocational subjects.

Dr. Boyette Files Education Board

Dr. Edward L. Boyette, physician of Chinquapin, has filed as a candidate for the County Board of Education in the Democratic primary May 30th. James J. Albertson of Beulaville filed some weeks ago for the Board of Education.

Others filing since last week, according to J. M. Smith, Chairman of the Duplin County Board of Elections, are William E. Craft to succeed himself as solicitor of the General County Court; Gerald Herring and Carl L. Hargrove for constable of Wolfscrape Township and James D. Brinson for constable of Cypress Creek Township.

The deadline for filing as a candidate in the May primary is noon on April 17th.

James Sprunt Offers Oil Painting Course

The James Sprunt Institute will sponsor a course in Oil Painting, Monday, March 23 at Rose Hill Automobile Shop Classroom.

Registration will be held at the first meeting in the classroom, and the class will meet from 9 to 12 a.m. each Monday morning for ten weeks. Tuition for the course will

be \$3.

The instructor for the course will be Mrs. Margaret Cooper, a graduate of Meredith College and the Cocoran School of Art in Washington, D. C. Mrs. Cooper is an accomplished artist who recently conducted a "one-Man" show in Rose Hill.

Trial & Error

With the coming of Spring and the few beautiful days that are sandwiched in between the cold and rainy days, the call of the gardens of Camellias and Azaleas is beckoning on every side. Of course, the news releeases which we receive each day make the call more Tantalizing, as they sound so magnificent.

Wilmington is in the midst of getting ready for the annual Azalea Festival, and from all releases it sounds as if the flowers will be at their peak.

Releases from the famous Charleston gardens sound as if the weather is working beautifully to create gardens of paradise. Middleton, Magnolia and the Cypress Gardens are already open for visitors.

But none of the preparations for the Wilmington Festival or the Charleston Gardens or the Easter Parade can out do our own town of Wallace in their preparations for the 75th Diamond Jubilee. Wallace is doing this Jubilee in a big way, and everything and everyone is getting in order, from the bearded men to the entertaining of the dignitaries. - - and do they have plenty of them, I'll say they do!

Spring and politics - which is bursting faster? It is hard to tell. Everytime you turn around in Duplin you run into a candidate for something. Preyer, Moore, Cliff Blue, and Stanbury, who are running for state offices have visited the county recently.

Local politicians are moving around and the most "sought after" jobs seem to be the two seats for County Commissioners which come up this term.

Also along with Spring, Gardens and politics comes the measles and mumps, Thank goodness it is not the "bad kind" of measles. At James Kenan, the children have been dropping out each day with measles, but in most of the cases it seems that they are not very sick. However, I understand that the epidemic of mumps is quite bad around Wallace and Rose Hill.

With each season must come it peculiarities, so-long Ruth.

BRIEFS

James A. Ward of Rose Hill attended the National Convention of Electric Cooperatives in Dallas, Texas, last week. Mr. Ward reports that there were 7500 delegates and that he spoke to some 500 of them Tnesday and Wednesday on

Tnesday and Wednesday on the subject "Employee Training For Better Jobs." Mr. Ward, secretary-treasurer of the Four County Electric Membership Corporation, flew by jet to Dallas on Sunday and returned Thursday for his third trip to Dallas.

A two week term of Duplin County Superior Court Civil is now in session. Judge William J. Bundy is presiding.

WINNERS IN CLINTON CAMELIA SHOW

Winners from Duplin County in Camelia Show in Clinton last week end were D. D. Blanchard, Mrs. A. J. Cavenaugh and John F. Branyon of Wallace; Mrs. Ed Sheffield of Warsaw; and Mrs. C. F. Hawes of Rose Hill.

> NEGRO COUNTY-WIDE P. T. A. MEETING

The Annual County-Wide Parent and Teachers Association will be held at E. E. Smith High School, Kenansville, North Carolina, Sunday. March 22.

Dr. Rudolph Jones, President of Fayetteville Teachers College will be our guest speaker. The public is Cordially invited to attend in large numbers. Girl Scout Leaders, Boy Leout Leaders and their Scouts are urged to be present.

MOUNT ZION STUDY

The book, "Come Creator Spirit," will be taught by Gerald Carr at Mount Zion Presbyterian Church, Rose Hill, Tuesday night at 8 p. m. This is a special study for men and women being used by Presbyterian Spiritual Enrichment.

MAJOR TOBACCO SPEECH
John C. Williamson, president of the Flue Cured Tobacco Growers Association, calls attention to a Speech which he says will be of vital concern to every segment of the tobacco industry - tobacco farmers, manufacturers, warehousemen

and dealers.

The major tobacco speech will be delivered by Congressman Harold D. Cooley in Raleigh at 2 p. m. on Saturday, April 4th.

In view of the fact that 26 senators voted recently to abolish our present tobacco program, this speech should be of great interest.

This is an open meeting, and all tobacco people are invited to attend.

OPEN HOUSE

Dr. Oscar Redwine of Kenansville announces the removal of his offices from Duplin General Hospital to the New Medical Building, Unit One in Kenansville. On Sunday afternoon March 22 he is holding Open House at the Medical Building from two until five p. m. The public is cordially invited to come in and to see the new office and building.

PRE-EASTER SERVICES
Pre-Easter Services will be
held at Snow Hill Freewill Baptist Church beginning March 23
through March 27. Mt. Olive
College students will speak to
the congregation each evening.

SUNRISE SERVICES
Seven churches in the East
Duplin School area will hold
Sunrise Services at the East
Duplin School on Easter morning More about these services
will be announced next week.

PALM SUNDAY CANTATA
The Choir of St. Mary's Episcopal Church in Kinston will
present Theodore Dubois 'The
Seven Last Words of Christ' on
Palm Sunday, March 22, at 4
p. m. The public is cordially
invited.

Duplin Ranks No. 1 In Agriculture



JUDGE DAN K. MOORE

Moore At Courthouse

Gubernatorial candidate Dan K. Moore spoke to an enthusiastic group of supporters and well-wishers in the courtroom at Kenansville Monday morn-

Judge Moore said that while he was a native of Western North Carolina, his forebears being the first white settlers west of the Blue Ridge in 1787, he felt at home in Eastern North Carolina, because the two sections were similar, both rural and both long neglected.

He outlined his experience in all three branches of government, legislative, executive and judicial and his years as a business man - lawyer, district solicitor, Superior Court judge, member of the State Legislature and now counsel and assistant secretary of Champion Papers, Inc. His academic degree from the University of North Carolina was in business administration. His experience both in government and in business eminently qualify him for the governorship, he reasoned. He knows most members of the Legislature personally and



MISS SUE LYNN TEACHEY

Rose Hill Girl In "Twelfth Night"

Miss Sue Lynn Teachey of Rose Hill appeared in one of the leading roles in Shakespeare's "Twelfth Night" presented by the Meredith College Playhouse, at Meredith College Auditorium, March 13-14. Miss Teachey showed great

Miss Teachey showed great talent in her portrayal of Viola, in love with the Duke. She was received with much enthusiam by the audience.

Miss Teachey, a junior at Meredith College, is the daughter of Mrs. Eldridge (Bud) Teachey and the late Mr. Teachey.

Spring Dance

The Rose Hill Jaycees will hold their annual Spring Dance in the Rose Hill School Gymnasium Friday night, April 10th.

Operation Alphabet

WITN-TV-Channel 7 6 to 6:30 A. M. their problems, he said, and at the same time he knows about the problems and the rules and regulations and taxes burdening the businessman. He promised to do everything possible not to increase these burdens.

Coming from rural Jackson County, where the REA has rendered a wonderful service, he promised that he would not do anything to impair the REA.

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"CLIFF" BLUE

Blue Visits Duplin H. Cliffon (Cliff) Blue spe

H. Clifton (Cliff) Blue, speaker of the 1963 North Carolina House of Representatives and candidate for Lieutenant Governor in the May 30th Democratic primary visited Kenansville and Duplin Thursday.

Mr. Blue is a newspaper publisher of Aberdeen and has served nine terms in the House of Representatives. He was the author of the "Blue Bill" enacted by the 1955 General Assembly curbing the sudden cancellation of Health, Accident and Hospital Insurance policies.

and Hospital Insurance policies.

As a Legislator he is a leader in many fields of legislation, including Education, Welfare, Roads, Conservation and Development. Insurance, Penal Institutions, Water Resources, and Community Colleges.

He was born in 1910 and reared on a small farm in Hoke County, and served for several years as secretary-treasurer and sales supervisor of the Aberdeen Tobacco Market.

He is married to the former Gala Lee Nunnery of Roseboro and they have four children, is an elder in the Presbyterian Church and has served as Sunday School Superintendent for 31 years.

The Red Springs Citizen says, "Those who have followed Blue's career, readily see in him a Democratic of the Old School - one built on the ground of honesty and integrity."

RALE!GH - The Motor Vehicles Department's summary of traffic deaths through 10:00 A. M. Monday, March 16:
Killed To Date 273
Killed To Date Last Year 213

Duplin County has regained its rank as the number 1 agricultural county in North Carolina according to figures compiled by Dr. Charles R. Pugh, In Charge of Extension Farm Management at N. C. State.

The 1963 agricultural income in Duplin County was \$55,272,-285, up \$7,048,497 over the 1962 income. Duplin County was the leading agricultural county in North Carolina in 1958, 1959 and 1960, but due to excessive rains in 1961 and 1962, it fell to third place behind Johnston and Robeson in 1961 and second place behind Robeson in 1962, according to Vernon H. Reynolds, Duplin County Extension Chairman.

The 1963 agricultural income in leading counties was: Duplin, \$55,272,285; Robeson, \$54,-186,599; Sampson, \$47,649,944; Pitt \$46,340,144 and Johnston, \$45,657,298.

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Total agricultural income in

North Carolina in 1963 was \$1,
412,324,932, up \$49,992,369 over

1962 income.

Duplin County's gross agricultural income in 1963 of \$55,-272,284 was the highest agricultural income in the history of Duplin County. The \$50,000,-000 agricultural income in 1960 was the previous high for Duplin County. In 1962 agricultural income was \$48,233,000 or about \$7,000,000 less than the 1963 in-

Tobacco was the leading farm enterprise in Duplin County, with a yield of 2,131 pounds per acre on 15,055 acres harvested. Total pounds of tobacco sold was 32,082,205 which brought \$19,249,323. This was the first time Duplin had averaged over 2,000 pounds of tobacco per acre.

Poultry income ranked a close second to tobacco in 1963, bringing in \$19,057,500. Twenty-five million head of broilers were sold for \$12.5 million and 625 thousand turkeys for \$2,812,500; 450 thousand laying hens produced an income of \$3,745,000.

The third major item of income was from corn, with production of 5.400,000 bushels from 60,000 acres planted, for an average yield of 90 bushels. This yield was approximately 3.0 bushels higher than any previous year's average. Approximately 3.5 million bushels of corn was sold and the remainder used on the farms for feed. The income from corn sold was \$4,200,000. Farmers sold 90,000 head of hogs for \$3,150,000, the fourth leading farm enterprise.

crops was nearly \$29 million and from livestock and poultry over \$23 million, forestry products accounted for nearly \$2 million and government payments, including feed grain program, \$1,259,630. Total farm income increased in Duplin from \$26 million in 1956 to over \$55 million in 1963, more than a 100% increase in income in seven years.

The total farm income from

Sewage Contract

A general contract for an addition to the Rose Hill sewage treatment plant has been let by the town board to Godwin Building Co. in Warsaw for a low-bid of \$78,000.

Final action on the contract, according to town officials, is subject to approval by the State Health Department.

The town's present sewage plant, constructed in 1938, was planned for a population of 700. The town now has more than

1500 residents.

The new plant is planned to take care of a population of 3,000 and will cost a total of \$128,000.

Work is to begin immediately on the project and it is expected to be completed in August. The board also voted to employ the Atlantic Coffin and Casket Co. to fill in a drainage ditch on North Elm Street in Melrose Park and dig a new drainage canal some to feet from the present site.