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BEULAVILLE CHRISTMAS PARADE. — Playing "Hark the Herald Angels Sing," the East Duplin High School Band led Beulaville's parade Saturday afternoon. Dark skies threatened, but the long parade made it before rain and most folks said that it was the best one yet. Miller Home Demonstration Club won first

prize for the best float: Mrs. Macy Thomas' Kindergarten Children won second place and the 4-H Club came in third. Carolina Bowen of Faison was crowned queen by Miss North Carolina. Miss Sharon Finch. Susan Humphrey of Richlands was first runner-up and Iris Brown of Chinquapin second runner-up.

Congressman Urges Vote To Continue Leaf Programs

Editorial

Next Tuesday, flue-cured tobacco growers will vote on whether to continue the current tobacco program. This is one of the most important votes to come along in Duplin County and in North Carolina for many years.

We believe the referendum will pass. We hope it will pass by a big majority as it has in every referendum on tobacco quotas since 1938. But in that year, growers voted it out, with the result that tobacco prices fell sharply, down to 15c a pound average. It costs at least twice that much now to produce a pound of tobacco.

Some people about the county are confused about what they will be voting on next Tuesday. A great many of them think they're voting on whether or not to cut tobacco acreage. That's not it at all. Some think they are voting to shift the system to an acreage-poundage control system. But, this is not it at all. Some have heard this and some have heard that.

What is the farmer voting on? The vote is on one thing only: "DO YOU FAVOR CONTINUING MARKETING QUOTAS ON FLUE-CURED TOBACCO FOR THE NEXT THREE MARKETING YEARS, BEGINNING JULY 1, 1965?"

If more than one-third of the votes are "NO" there will be no tobacco program at all. If more than two-thirds are "YES", price supports and quotas will be continued.

Without supports, the financial losses on the farm, in the processing industries and in the business community in general could total more than a billion dollars a year.

It would be impossible to solve the problems of tobacco without a price support program. By continuing this support program hundreds of millions of dollars in income will come to North Carolina that would be lost if the program were rejected. If the program is rejected, next year's tobacco in Duplin will probably sell for an average of less than 30c per pound. There will be a loss of some 950 million pounds of tobacco being held in Stabilization. Lending agencies will immediately drastically reduce their loans to farmers. Many people in Duplin will be forced from the business of farming.

Few farmers will have trouble making up their minds. It amounts to a choice between some degree of prosperity, of a way of making a living in Duplin and poverty which will force many off the farms, even away from Duplin to seek other ways of earning a living.

ON NOVEMBER 3, 1964, the voters of North Carolina turned out at the polls in record number to cast their votes for the leaders of the government of our state and the nation. All of us recognized the importance of that vote.

Of almost equal importance to the people of eastern North Carolina is the referendum to be held on December 15 on whether we will continue the basic tobacco program for the next three crop years.

Unlike the election of our public officials, continuation of the tobacco program requires an affirmative vote of 2/3 of the eligible voters, who are tobacco growers, either landlords or tenants or self-employed farmers.

To vote "NO" in the referendum means that you are voting to abolish all price supports and all allotments. It means a return to what we experienced

in 1938 when everybody was free to produce all the tobacco he wished and at selling time a lot of it failed to bring warehouse charges.

To vote "YES" in the referendum means that you express your desire to continue to receive the protection of price supports and your willingness to accept governmental controls in order to have price supports.

Don't vote "No" because you think the currently-announced cut is too big or because you oppose poundage controls or because you think your allotment should be increased. Don't vote "No" unless you favor doing away with our program altogether. Vote "Yes" and give those of us in authority a chance to work out our problems in Congress and by further administrative action within the Agriculture Department.

Rose Hill Yule Events Tomorrow

"Santa Claus is coming to town" is the tune everyone is singing these days. On Friday afternoon at 3:30 p.m., all will have a chance to see Ole Santa in person in the annual Jaycee Christmas Parade in Rose Hill. Sharing the spotlight with Santa will be Miss North Carolina, Ester Sharon Finch of Thomasville, and the Poultry Princess, Jean Marie Haggerty of Wallace.

DECORATIONS: The Jaycees are installing completely reworked Christmas decorations along with new decoration along Highway 117 and invite everyone to visit Rose Hill to see this. The lights will be turned on the day of the parade.

BANQUET: Miss North Carolina and other area beauties will be feted by the Jaycees and wives at a special banquet Friday evening at 7:30 p.m. at the Rose Hill Restaurant.

CHRISTMAS DANCE: Finishing out the Jaycees Christmas activities on Friday, Dec. 11, will be their annual Christmas Dance with Woody Hayes Band of Raleigh playing. Miss N. C. and the other area beauties will make guest appearances. The dance will be held at the Rose Hill Elementary School Gymnasium beginning at 7 p.m., admission three dollars per couple. Everyone is invited to make plans now to take in all the day's festivities.

RALEIGH - The Motor Vehicles Department's summary of traffic deaths through 10 A. M. Monday, December 7: Killed To Date 1447 Killed To Date Last Week 1264

ORANGE BOWL OR BUST

Congratulations . . . Max Offerman of Wallace is about the luckiest man in the county . . . Max is the big winner in the Duplin Times - Progress Sentinel 12-week Football Contest. As a result Mr. Offerman wins the grand prize of two tickets to the Orange Bowl in Miami plus \$100.00 for expenses.

Max will get to see the number one team in the country . . . undefeated Alabama, (10-0) tangle with Texas with a 9-1 record. By the way Texas was pre-season favorite as the number one team. It will definitely be the best post season game. The game will be played under the lights . . . the first post season game ever played at night . . . Best of luck.

Annual DPCA Meeting

Jack Williams, executive secretary of the Georgia Association of Broadcasters, Inc. and Assistant professor of Journalism, Georgia State College, Atlanta will be the guest speaker in Kenansville on Friday afternoon.

Williams will speak at the Annual Stockholders' Meeting of the Duplin Production Credit Association which will be held Friday, December 11 at 3 p. m. in the Kenansville Grammar School Auditorium. Reports of the operation of the association for the past year will be given, and a director will be elected. Door prizes will be given.

Garland P. King, Secretary-Treasurer extends a cordial invitation to everyone to attend the meeting and hear Jack Williams.

Jack Williams spent 40 months as one of Uncle Sam's intelligence officers in the Pentagon specializing in foreign and

Trial & Error

Susan Sykes, niece of Miss Mary Lee Sykes, county Health nurse, has painted a scene of four carolers on the windows of the County Health Department. It is a fabulous job, you should ride by and see it. One of the nurses in the Health Department told me that from

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Judge Lanier Hears 137 Cases

Solicitor W. E. Craft prosecuted numerous cases before Judge Russell J. Lanier in General County Court last week. Judgments were handed down in 137 cases.

One man received a sentence of 18 months for making liquor, lost his automobile and had his pistol confiscated. Another received 6 months for speeding 93 miles an hour in a 60-mile zone.

For driving without an operator's license, a man will have to spend the next thirty days in jail. Two drunks drew 30 days each and one was sentenced to six months on the roads because it was his fourth offense in the past six months.

Judgments were handed down in 69 speeding cases. It is interesting to note that only 17 of these were teenagers. Court records reveal that nearly three-fourths, 52 out of 69, of those cited for speeding were middle-aged folks, a few women, but mostly men old enough to know better.

JUDGMENTS HANDED DOWN FOLLOW:

Bascom Mack Bristow, Wallace, operating auto while intoxicated, judgment absolute on \$200 bond.

Jack Wayne Roberts, Chapel Hill, speeding, \$10 and cost.

George Dewey Maready, Chinquapin, operating auto while intoxicated, not pros with leave. James Pickert, worthless

check, not pros, cost taxed against R. J. Hursey, prosecuting witness.

M. H. Parker, worthless check, not pros.

David Lee Speight, Walstonburg, speeding, \$10 and cost. Ralph Grady, Monroe, speeding, not pros with leave.

John Howard Blanchard, Warsaw, no operator's license, not guilty. James Oliver Sutton, Wilmington, speeding, not pros with leave.

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Joe Lewis Deaver was arrested at his home near Kenansville and charged with possession and selling non-tax-paid liquor. Officers Alfred Basden, Glenn Jernigan, R. S. Thigpen, E. G. Chestnutt, E. E. Proctor and Earl Chestnutt investigated.

BAKE SALE

A bake sale will be sponsored by the Woman's Society of Christian Service of Unity Methodist Church December 12 at 2:00 P. M. at C. M. Outlaw's Grocery Store.

Bowden Man Bends Crowbar Over Barber's Head

Paul Williams of Bowden told sheriff officers that he hit Carson Lane, 36, over the head with a crowbar because Lane attacked him in his own home.

Lane is a barber at Seymour Johnson Air Base and lives in Mount Olive. Officers Glenn Jernigan and E. E. Proctor are

investigating and charges are pending Lanier's condition.

Lonnie Monroe of Rose Hill is in jail in default of \$1000 bond on charges of assault with a deadly weapon and possession of non-tax-paid whiskey. It is alleged that Monroe shot Robert Williams in the

call of his leg with a .25 automatic. Monroe claims they were playing with the gun and it fired accidentally. Investigation was made by Deputy Graham Chestnutt and Constables E. E. Proctor, J. E. Creech and J. E. Chestnutt.



COUNTY OFFICERS TAKE OATHS OF OFFICE BEFORE JUDGE ELBERT S. PEEL, JR. IN THE COURTROOM MONDAY MORNING. (Left to right) Judge Peels, J. B. Stroud, re-elected to Dist. 3 as county commissioner representing Rose Hill, Magnolia and Kenansville Townships, Joe A. Sutton, elected this

year for county commissioner for Dist. 1, composed of Warsaw and Faison Townships, to fill the vacancy when Mr. Lott Kornegay decided not to file to succeed himself after serving the district for ten years; W. E. Craft, Solicitor of the General County Court;

Assistant Registers of Deeds Mrs. Zoma Q. Jenkins, Miss Elizabeth G. West, Barbara S. West, Ruth S. Herring and Miss Janice Smith and Mrs. Christine W. Williams, Register of Deeds since December, 1952. Mrs. Winifred T. Wells was reappointed County

Attorney for a two year term. Mrs. Wells has served since 1958. Commissioner J. W. Hoffler was re-elected Chairman of the Board of Commissioners for a one-year term. Other members of the Board are Murphy Simpson, Kenneth G. Grady, Joe A. Sutton and J. B. Stroud.