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Trial & Error

This week has been upside down, downside up, turned around, backed up and I can't think of anymore adjectives to describe it. It has been a confusing mess. We are building two offices downstairs. We are planning to move my office down there, and are also planning to move the paste-up room from the second floor so it will be next to the photography room. With carpenters, electricians, men working on the floor, we are crawling over each other --not even mentioning the hammering. But that is nothing compared with the saw--get a line of thought, be concentrating or wording a story, all of a sudden the scream of the saw plows through your brain and leaves it white washed.

On top of that the mail service got us messed up and we are losing a complete half day on this week's paper.

Well, there is always one bright light. The Beaulville Lions invited us of the news media, and gave us a most wonderful supper at the Town House Restaurant and thanked us and praised us for our work. That is a change! We are so used to taking a cussing, that treatment of that sort got next to me, but I surely did like it.

Had a most unusual experience this morning. I went on my first fox hunt. That is the most hunting for the least exercise that I have ever seen. We got in cars and rode around and around looking for the dogs. Finally we heard them barking real close to the road, we jumped out of the car and stood waiting for them to cross the road. All of a sudden silence--then the dogs started baying way off in another direction. I had to come to work then and could not see them catch a fox. Riding with me in my car was Mr. Dunn Smith, a farmer from Albertson who likes square dancing as well as fox hunts. He told me I was like the fellow who came from the city to watch the fox chase. The hunter said to him, "Listen, isn't that the most beautiful music you ever heard." The man looked at him and said, "I don't hear any music." "I hear is damn dogs baying."

You should get James Ward of Rose Hill to tell you about his trip to Las Vegas. He surely enjoyed it and said he had never seen as many gambling devices in his life. He said machines were in the hotel lobbies, dining rooms and every where you looked. He said he didn't lose or win any money.

Ruth

PLEASE READ!!

The Duplin Times-Progress Sentinel regrets to inform you that any news or ads received after Tuesday night cannot be published until the following week.

Heretofore, we have had a news cut-off at 12 noon Wednesday.

But, due to the hours the mail runs, and due to the fact that the ACL refuses to pick up our papers on the early morning run going South, we are forced to meet a deadline at the Kenansville Post Office at 8 p.m. Wednesday.

Please correspondents!! Have your news of local items in on Monday or Tuesday. We cannot accept it after Tuesday, and we cannot run it the next week, because the old news will crowd out current news.

We regret that we are forced to do this, but under the circumstances, we have no choice.

RUMBLES FROM POLITICAL FIELD

Politics is rolling even though it is early in the season.

LeRoy Simmons of Albertson has filed for State Senate as a candidate to succeed himself. Simmons has been State Senator for two terms. Last week John N. "Nick" Kalmar of Faison announced that he is running for this office.

Leon Brown of Beaulville has filed for Commissioner of the third district. The incumbent in office is Murphy Simpson of Beaulville.

The most talked about race seems to be U. S. Congressman for the third district. David N. Henderson of Wallace has not filed but it is understood that he is very much in the running. Don Howell, a Goldsboro man, is seeking the office and is giving the race much time and effort.

Senator Robert Morgan of Lillington said this week that a court order to realign congressional districts could not be ignored by potential candidates for U. S. Congress. But the Lillington attorney and president candidates for U. S. Congress, Don Howell, a Goldsboro man, is seeking the office and is giving the race much time and effort.

Morgan is on the western end of the Third District. The secretary is reported to be very close to a formal announcement.

The State Board of Elections stated on Tuesday that it would recognize formal agreements on the sharing of seats in six Senate Districts among them is the 10th District (Duplin, Sampson Pender and New Hanover).

At their meeting on Tuesday they stated that the Board will not recognize any county rotation agreements for House seats in the May 28 primary as the deadline for filing formal agreements with the Board has expired.

Pancake Supper

The Central Youth Club of Warsaw, Kenansville and Magnolia will sponsor a PANCAKE SUPPER on Saturday, February 26, at the Warsaw Grammar School Cafeteria. Serving will begin at 5:30 p.m. and end at 8 p.m. Please attend this function and enjoy all you can eat for \$1.00.

BLOODSHED BOXSCORE

RALEIGH--The Motor Vehicles Department's summary of traffic deaths through 10 A.M. Monday, February 21:

Killed to Date.....186
Killed to Date Last Year....189

County Acquires Copies Of Oldest Deed Records And Indexes From Sampson



REGISTER OF DEEDS AND ASSISTANTS examining the books containing deeds recorded in Duplin County during the period 1749 to 1784. The records were obtained from Sampson County and are in eight volumes with two indexes. Examining the

beautifully recorded and bound books are: (l to r) Janice S. Lanier, Barbara S. West, Mrs. Christine Williams, Register; Madelyn E. Kornegay and Ruth Herring.

For almost 200 years, Duplin County residents have yearned for the Duplin County Register of Deeds office to have the original books or copies of the books containing deeds recorded in Duplin County during the period 1749 to 1784.

Duplin County was cut off from New Hanover County in 1749 and from 1749 until 1784 Duplin County comprised the areas now known as Duplin and Sampson counties. During the period 1749 to 1784 the Duplin County Courthouse was located near Baltic. When Sampson County acquired all of the records which have been known to exist for this period.

Legend has been that there were three (3) deed volumes for this period but an actual inspection of the records in the Sampson County Registry found eight (8) volumes of deed records which were recorded from 1754 to 1784 in Duplin County. It is not known what happened to the records for the period 1749 to 1754. The earliest deed in Book No. 1 of the Duplin County deed records on file in Sampson County is a deed from Patrick Canady to Henry Byrd made in 1753 and recorded in 1754.

Through the years much interest has been manifested in these early records and it has been necessary to refer all interested persons to the Sampson County Registry for use of these records. These eight (8) books contain a total of 2929 deeds and 3666 pages and to employ someone to copy them by hand would have been a prohibitive cost to Duplin County.

It was not until 1959 that the present register was assured of a method by which Duplin County could acquire a copy of these records at a small cost. In 1959, when Mrs. Christine W. Williams, the present register, was serving on the State Advisory Committee on county records and the committee was working for the passage of the statewide program to permit the State Department of Archives and History to make microfilm for security purposes of all permanent county records; she obtained a commitment from the

State Department of Archives that when the Sampson County records were microfilmed under the state program that Duplin County would be furnished a copy of the microfilm of the eight (8) Duplin County deed books which have been in Sampson County since 1784.

Last fall the Sampson County records were microfilmed by the State Department of Archives and History and a copy of the microfilm by the State Department of Archives and History and a copy of the microfilm of the Duplin County deed books was made available to the Duplin County Register.

The Recordak Company was employed to prepare full size pages from the microfilm. The pages were sent to a book binder and the results are eight (8) volumes of photographed deed records which are in better condition than the original volumes on file in Sampson County from which the copies were made. The original books were written with pen and ink by four registers of deeds who served Duplin County as follows:

1753 to 1762 John Dickson
1763 to 1765 James Sampson

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Cottle Resigns CDD Director

On Monday the Board of County Commissioners accepted the resignation of Ralph M. Cottle as County Civil Defense Director effective March 14, 1966. Mr. Cottle resigned to accept a position as Personnel Director for Reeves Brothers, Inc. He has served as the first full time director of the Duplin County Civil Defense Agency since September 1, 1962.

The new personnel director is a graduate of East Carolina College and is married to the former Angie Thomas of the Cabin Community. They have one daughter.

Business and Civic Leaders Of County Invited To U.S. C of C Aircade Meet

DUPLIN BUSINESS AND CIVIC LEADERS INVITED TO U.S. CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AIRCADE MEETING IN RALEIGH, MARCH 9, 1966

Mr. W. W. Simonds, Executive Vice President, Raleigh

Chamber of Commerce, has extended a cordial invitation to the business and civic leaders of Duplin County to attend the 10th Aircade Meeting for Citizenship Action, which is conducted by the U. S. Chamber of Commerce annually in towns

throughout the country. There will be fifteen meetings held this year beginning February 14, 1966, in Lawrence, Kansas and ending on March 11, 1966, in Washington, D. C. The meeting in Raleigh will be held in the Raleigh Memorial Auditorium on March 9, 1966, beginning at 9:25 a.m. and ending at 3:15 p.m. The invitation was sent to P. B. Ralford, Executive Director, Duplin Development Commission, with a request that community leaders be invited and urged to attend.

The Aircade meeting is a fast-moving question-and-answer meeting. At this meeting, you ask whatever it is you want to know about important national issues, economic and social problems, and legislative proposals--and specialists on the subject will give you the answers. The Aircade Meetings for Citizenship Action, now in their 10th year, are lively, exciting, stimulating, extremely informative--and extremely popular. The Aircade meetings frown on speech-making. They encourage the exchange of ideas. They present panel members who know what they are talking about. The Aircade meetings employ the newest techniques for communicating information and for clarifying facts. The discussion leader will be Arch N. Booth, Executive Vice President of the National Chamber, and originator of the Aircade meeting plan.

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Williamson To Head Civil Defense Program

Stephen M. Williamson of Kenansville was named Duplin County Civil Defense Director. This action was taken on Monday by the Board of County Commissioners.

Ralph M. Cottle, present Civil Defense Director, resigned to accept a position as Personnel Director for Reeves Brothers, Inc., effective March 14, 1966.

Williamson is a son of the late Sheriff D. S. Williamson and Mrs. Williamson and is married to the former Nancy Alphin. They have one son Stephen M. Williamson, Jr.

The new Civil Defense Director is a graduate of Campbell College and is presently teaching in the Magnolia Elementary School.



Stephen W. Williamson

Board Names Development Comm

At the adjourned regular session of the Board of County Commissioners on Monday, February 21, Duplin Development Commission members were named as follows:

Millford Quinn, Chairman, Warsaw; Garland P. King, Vice-Chairman, Kenansville; C. W. Surratt, Jr., Rose Hill; Charles A. Decker, Faison; Melvin Potter, Albertson.

Mrs. Christine W. Williams, Route 2, Pink Hill; Russell A. Bostic, Beaulville; Dennis W. Ramsey, Rose Hill; Arliss M. Albertson, Beaulville.

Paul E. Dall, Kenansville; Harry L. Oswald, Wallace; David John Kilpatrick, Kenansville; W. D. Gardner, Wallace; H. D. Kornegay, Albertson.

P. B. Ralford, Executive Director of the Industrial Development Commission, is Executive Director of the Commission.

Retiring members of the 1965

Board are: Tommy Baker of Wallace; William B. Cutler of Beaulville and Allen Draughon, Jr. of Warsaw.

C. W. Surratt, Sr., who has served as Chairman since the Commission was organized, requested that a new chairman be chosen to replace him. Mr. Surratt agreed, however, to serve on the Board for another year. Millford Quinn of Warsaw was appointed chairman to replace Mr. Surratt.

Ward Speaks At Conv.

Several men from Duplin, Pender and Wayne counties attended the 24th annual meeting of National Rural Electric Cooperative Association. This convention was held in Las Vegas.

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Seminary Sunday February 27

Thirty-seven members of the Faculty and student body at Union Theological Seminary in Richmond will be preaching in Presbyterian Churches in Wilmington Presbyterian on Sunday, February 27th, as part of the observance of "Seminary Sunday."

The "Seminary Sunday" is planned to focus the attention of Presbyterians in this area on the Union Seminary ADVANCE, a major development program planned by Union, the oldest Presbyterian Seminary in the south. The Seminary ADVANCE as the program of development is called, seeks to inform Presbyterians of the need for more and better trained men for the ministry and to raise six million dollars to provide additional endowment and expanded facilities at the Seminary.

The Presbyterian Churches in the Kenansville, Warsaw, continued to Page 2



SCOUT CLARENCE EDWARDS OF TROOP 47 BEAUVILLE (Left) presenting a check to Lion President, Wilbur Hussey, Jr. (In the center is Scout Master, Rod Dew of Beaulville). The check was presented to the Lions Club by the Scouts to purchase a pair of glasses for a needy person in the Beaulville Area.

News Media Of County Honored

Beaulville Lions, on Monday Evening, honored the news media of Duplin County and surrounding area.

A delicious supper was served at the Town House Restaurant near Beaulville to the honored guests, the Lions and their Ladies and Scout Master Rod Dew and Scout Clarence Edwards of Troop 47 of Beaulville. Also present was Deputy District Governor and Mrs. Wyatt Pearsall of Kinston.

Wilbur Hussey, Jr., President, presided and gave a report on the activities of the club and announced a work detail

for Saturday afternoon a 1 p.m. Scout Master Rod Dew introduced Scout Clarence Edwards, who presented to the Lions Club in behalf of Troop 47, money to be used to buy glasses for some needy person. The Lions are the Sponsors of the Scout Troop.

Mr. Hussey said, "The highlight of the evening is to recognize the people to whom we are indebted for our publicity." He then introduced and presented a Citation of Appreciation to the following: Eddie Cox of the Kinston Free Press, Mrs. Grace Heath and Mr. Harry

Kramer of radio station WLSE, Mrs. Ruth Grady of the Duplin Times-Progress Sentinel and Mr. Ken Ayers of the Wallace Enterprise.

The Citation Read: "The International Association of Lions Clubs presents this Citation of Appreciation, Lions International acknowledges, with grateful appreciation, the outstanding contribution made by Duplin Times (and others) presented on behalf of the more than 750,000 Lions in over 132 countries of the free world." Signed Walter H. Campbell, International President.

Public Hearing

The Town of Beaulville has given notice that a public hearing will be held by the zoning commission at the Beaulville School Auditorium on the 24th day of February 1966 at 7:30 p.m. for the purpose of considering a proposed zoning ordinance and map.

The public is urged to be present for this important meeting to hear this plan explained. A copy of the proposed ordinance and map are on file in the Town Office for inspection by all interested citizens.

Rose Hill To Get New Post Office

Congressman David N. Henderson today announced that the Post Office Department has authorized a new Post Office for Rose Hill subject to availability of a suitable site for a building to be constructed for lease to the Department at an acceptable rental.

Henderson noted that public invitations to bid would be posted in the near future containing detailed specifications, and that interested parties should inform the local Postmaster of their interest in order to insure obtaining full information when bids are posted.