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DUPLIN BOOSTERS - Shown are the eight Duplin county men as they met in Raleigh with the staff of the Division of Commerce and Industry of the State Department of Conservation and Development to outline for the C & I staffers what their county has to after industry. Front row left to Ariane Ring, vice chashan, Juplin Development Ssion; Dixon Hall, president, James Sprunt Institute, ville; Joe Sutton, member Duplin County Board of ssioners; and P. B. Rafford, director, Duplin Development Commission. Back row, left to right: Vernon H. Reynolds, chairman, Duplin Agricultural Extension Services; Thomas B. Broughton, chief, industrial and Community Services, Division of Commerce and Industry, who arranged the meeting; Faison W. McGowan, Duplin county accountant; C. W. Scriatt, Jr., board member and past chairman of development commission; and Milford Quinn, present chairman of Duplin Development Commission. (Photo by Charles Clark, C & D Dept.)

"Duplin Story" Told to Staff of C & D's Industry Division

ustry to help bring a better balance of its

onomy.
This is what Preston B. Raiford of Kenansville, executive director, Duplin Development Commission, and seven other Duplin industrial developers told the staff of the Depart-ment of Conservation and De-velopment's Commerce and In-

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Formed in 1749 and one of the

dustry Division in Raleigh Monday as they outlined what their area has to offer industry.

The meeting, another in the series of inviting local developers to Raleigh to tell the National Spinning Company and

National Spinning Company and Reeves Brothers, a textile operation, have served to reduce the labor supply, principally women, but the county can use industries where male employees are needed and preferred, Raiford said, "We still have a labor surplus, but not in women, he explained,

million in 1956 to \$55 million in 1965, predicted cash re-ceipts from the sale of farm commodities will double the 1965 figure in a few years. In addition to Raiford, Hall and Reynolds, others in the Duplin group were: Joe Sutton, member of the Duplin County Board of Commissioners; Faison W. McGowan, county accountant; Milford Quinn, chairman, Garland King, vice chair-man, and C. W. Surratt, Jr., board member and past chair-

Award

Income from agricultural

products in the county last year reached the \$55 million mark, with strawberries, tobacco and

poultry being the leading com-

chairman of the Duplin Agricul-

tural Extension Services, not-

ing that the income from the

county's agricultural pro -

jumped from \$26

mies. Vernon H. Reynolds

William S. Butler, Jr. better known as Bill of Troop 45, in an impressive ceremony on Tuesday, May 17, received Scouting's highest honor, The Eagle Scout Award.

A Court of Honor was convenied for the purpose of making an Eagle Scout Award, presented by Mr. Robert L. (Bobby) Miller, Duplin District Ad-vance Chairman, The candidate and his parents were escorted to the stage by Eagle escort.
Bill rededicated himself to the
principals of Scouting by pledging to live by the Scout Law
and scout Oath.

Rev. Hugh Ross Williams are the Eagle Charge and Eagle Coats to Bill and pronounced

Liberty Hall Approaching Grandeur..But Tedious Job

Restoring old homes is not all glory as the finished pro-duct seems to show. It is full of fascination, challenge, head-aches, rewards and at times, that place to show the shows as the shows a scheep just plain heart aches.

But as Bob Herring says, "It is worth every challenge it puts before me," Bob Herring of Rose Hill is contractor for the restoration of Liberty Hall in Kenansville, Liberty Hall is the home of the Kenans and the scene of the wedding of Mary Lilly Kenan and Henry M. Flag-ler in August of 1901. Liberty Halli is the original home of William Rand Kenan, Jr. and Colonel Owen Kenan, The little town of Kenansville was named for the Kenans.

The Bank of Mount Olive has received approval from the

Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation to establish a full pow-

ered branch in the town of War-In making the announcement,

President E. C. Casey, of the Mount Olive based institution

stated, "We are indeed pleas-

ed to receive approval for a Warsaw Branch. We shall be-

gin immediately taking the nec-

essary steps to open this erance as soon as possible. We are grateful to the many people

in the area who have been instrumental in helping us es-

our officers and staff in bringing to Warsaw a banking facility dedicated to service and with a sincere desire to become a part of this rapidly growing community," President Casey

The Warsaw branch will be

managed by T. Carroll Hobbs, 33, who has had more than six

years banking experience. He

is going through an orientation

The son of Mr. M. L. and

Mrs. Nettle B. Hobbs of Route

2, Faison, he is married to the

former Harriette Thornton and

the father of one child, T. Carroll Hobbs, Jr. Hobbs attended

Hall's High School and graduated from Atlantic Christian Col-

lege with a B. S. degree in Business Administration. He

is a veteran of the Korean

The new Warsaw branch man-

ager is a member of Grove Park

Baptist church where he serves on the board of deacons and is

the financial secretary. Hobbs is also a member of the Clinton

Kiwanis club. He plans to move

to Warsaw in the very near fu-

program at the bank's main of-

fice at the present time.

"We pledge to them and all residents of the Warsaw Community the full cooperation of

tablish this branch,"

continued.

The Kenan family has given Liberty Hall to the county and has set aside an appropriation to restore the home to all of its original pomp and glory.

But according to Bob Herring there is many a step between the dream and the realization.

First to greet the men on the job was a hive of bees which had made their home in one of the corners of the house. The bees sent the men scattering and also sent Herring scattering to find someone to take them away. Thomas Brin-son, who lives in the Kenansville area, came and charmed

the bees away as well as ga-thered a tub full of honey. This work which started eight months ago was planned in ad-vance as far as it could be fore-

Warsaw Manager Named

For Local Bank Branch

of removing, labelling, packag-ing and sketching of shutters, hardware, woodwork and every detail such as measurements were taken so they could

be reproduced or replaced. Plaster was knocked down in the entire house and hauled out. During the process, extreme caution was taken not to break any window lights. Then all wooden plaster laths were removed - these laths were homemade and "rived out," from heart pine and were in excel-lent condition as far as preservation is concerned. All nails, which were of wrought iron, were pulled out. The laths will be replaced by metal laths.

Due to weahter conditions, work was then transferred to the outside. Men with wall scra-pers and wire brushes actually manually scraped and brush-ed every square inch of the exterior of the walls. All nails had to be set in the weather boarding in the exterior trim so they can be caulked and sealed when the painting is

A move back to the inside of the house called for the scraping of paint and sanding of all interior trim such as doors, windows, mantels, base boards, casings, mouldings and cellings of pantry and summer dining rooms. All doors and wood work is of heart pine ex-cept the bannister rail which is of solid walnut.

Due to a leak in the chimin the parlor which made the chimney insafe, the man-tel had to be dismanteled and the chimney removed brick by brick in order to be able to

reuse the usable brick.

The floors will be cleaned and hand sanded to preserve their original irregularities. Of much interest is the fact that the flooring was originally hand dressed. The boards vary from four to eight inches wide. The top of the floors were finished and the bottom unfinished, and all floors are in good condition. The base boards in each room were carefully fitted to

the floor and must be replaced in exactly the location which they originally fitted.

Many interesting facts were pointed out in the house. Studs were mortised into the beams. Storage spaces were recessed into the masonry work of each of the chimneys. Long timbers 4 x 10's go all the way through the house approximately 46 feet long. All studs in the wall are mortised into these timbers and they are mounted some 25 feet above the gound, Each room has corner braces. Corner posts in the house are approximately twenty-two feet long and supports are mortised in on each floor.

Extra supports have been placed above the ceiling in the second story of the house to provide support for the heavy roof which is to be put on. The specific shingle has not been selected but it is understood that the roof will be a plazed ceramic reproduction of wooden shingles which will be

quite heavy.

All fire places are to be reworked with cast iron dampers so that the fire places may be used or closed as desired. The original brick will be used in all exposed areas. Fasci-

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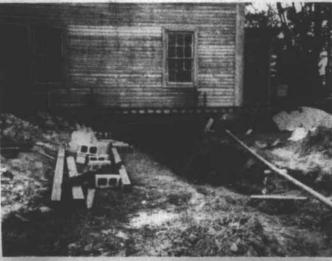


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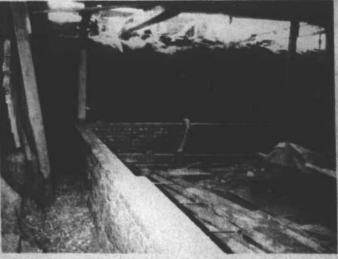
On the 26th of May, which is Thursday, the first meeting of the architects, contractor and Interior Consultant of Liberty Hall will meet in Kenansville with Mr. Tom Kenan of Durham. The consultant is Mr. John E. Winters of New York City.

Mr. Winters was consultant in the Museum of Early Southern Decorative Art at Old Salem, Next fall he will be a frequent visitor to Kenansville as he will begin the work of re-finishing the interior of Liberty Hall.

Mr. Tom Kenan stated over the telephone on Tuesday that the Kenan family felt that they were most fortunate in securing the services of Mr. Winters







work in the basement at Liberty Hall moves slowly. The top picture shows the opening into the basement which caved in when the water level was found to be only five or six feet below the ground surface. In the middle picture, the bulldozer is shown moving away the muck and mire from underneath the house. In the bottom picture, one can see the walls of the basement rising, and beside the wall is the gravel and tiling which will drain all water off and keep the basement dry for a home for the heating and air-conditioning system of the house.



monial dinner given in their honor Friday night at the Oak Ridge Community Building (Photo by Ruth Wells)

Testimonial Dinner For Penney

ing Mr. George V. Penney, ing Soil Conservationist, ats for the occasion were and Mrs. Calvin Mercer, and Mrs. William G. Sul-l, Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Hol-Mr. and Mrs. N. P. Blan-d, and Mr. and Mrs. E. V.

now director of Field Service for Tobacco Associates, Mr. for Tobacco Associates, Mr. Penn Moore, Area conservationist gave a brief biography of the honored guest. Mr. Ellis Vestal introduced the following from the state office: Messers J. P. Kuykendal, H. A. Smith and J. A. Glazener, Other officials recognized were Mr. L. W. Outlaw, former supervisor, Mr. Ketneth Grady, county commissioner, Mr. V. H. Reynolds, Extension Chairman, Mr. O. L. Holland, Dublin A.S.C.S., Mr. William Spirit C.S. Technicians.

Mr. Penney thanked the group for their curtesy to him and for the cooperation he had enjoyed during his twenty one years as soil conservationist and pointed out that more progress had been made in those twenty one years than in 2100 years prior, and that the soil is our most precious posses-

ey's children, Lura y and Mr. and Mrs. y were present for a along with about

The Scoutmaster, Mr. Walter J. Thomas, Jr. noted that the mother of a boy usually works as hard as anyone to complete the work for the rank of Eagle Award and requested that Mrs.
Butler pin the Eagle badgeupon
her son. Bill in turn presented
his mother with a silver miniature Eagle suspended on a sil-wer chair, which Bill placed around her neck, Bill also pre-sented his father with a tie bar



William S. Patler, Jr., who won the Eagle Award.