

RALEIGH - The Motor Vehicles Department's summary of traffic deaths through 10:00 a.m. Monday, August 15:

Killed To Date.....966
Killed To Date Last Year..888



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Tarawa Terrace Woman Returned

Wednesday afternoon the sheriffs department received a call from Wilbert Middleton that a white woman had been seen entering through the window of an abandoned house. The house contained an old mattress and few other odds and ends of furniture.

Deputy Jack Albertson investigated and found the 22 year old woman lying on a mattress covered with a bedspread. She was described as a strawberry blond, wearing shorts and a blouse, barefooted, and had brought the bed spread with her.

Nearby residents said they could hear her carrying on a spirited conversation with herself as they awaited the arrival of the sheriffs department. Her family seemed to be the topic of discussion.

She gave her name as Ernestine Beckner of Tarawa Terrace. She said her husband was in the marine corps. She also said they have two small children, the oldest 2 years old. They live with her sister-in-law who has five small children and the children had gotten on her nerves.

Deputy Albertson notified her husband's commanding officer. No charges were preferred against the woman, but since the Marine Officer did not send for her, Deputy Albertson delivered her to the Onslow County Sheriffs Department.

Additional Student Desegregation Required

Mrs. Westbrook Attends National Ext Homemakers Conference

Mrs. Willard Westbrook of Albertson is, this week, representing Duplin County and the district at the 30th National Extension Homemakers Conference in Fort Collins, Colorado. This district is composed of Sampson, Cumberland and Duplin Counties. Mrs. Westbrook left from Raleigh-Durham Airport on Saturday, August 13.

The National Conference convenes at Colorado State University August 14 through 17. The theme of the conference is "The Family - Beacon Light of the Nation." Among the outstanding speakers on the program is Dr. Lloyd Davis, Federal Administrator of Extension Service. Much entertainment has been planned for the group, such as

briefs Rains Heavy

An unofficial report from Warsaw said three thunder clouds, one following the other, on Tuesday afternoon, dumped eight to ten inches of water.

Some residents doubted that more than six inches fell in the two hour period, but all agree that it was the most water they had ever seen at any one time in Warsaw.

A report from the Albertson section Saturday afternoon stated they had five inches of rain. August rains must be trying to compensate for July drought.

Sen. Simmons On JSI Commencement

Senator Leroy G. Simmons will introduce Congressman David N. Henderson at the James Sprunt Graduation exercises to be held in the Kenansville Elementary School Auditorium on August 21, 1966, at 3 p.m. The public is cordially invited to attend the graduation. There will be an open House on the James Sprunt Institute Campus following graduation.

Senator Simmons was born on a farm in Duplin County near Albertson, North Carolina, where he still lives. He has farmed all his life. Through hard work and good management, he has expanded his farming operations, grain-buying station and hog-buying station to the extent that he has become one of Duplin County's outstanding men in agriculture. He is rendering a real service to the farmers of this area.

He is active in many civic affairs. He is booster of Community Development Clubs, a member of the Masonic Order, and President of the Duplin County Farm Bureau for thirteen years.

He has been Vice-President of the North Carolina Farm Bureau, a 60,000 family member farm organization for six years. He is a member of the Board of Directors of the North Carolina Farm Bureau Mutual Insurance Company, the North Carolina Farm Bureau Service Company, and the North Carolina Farm Bureau Market



SEN SIMMONS

Duplin County education officials have been advised that additional student desegregation will be required to meet the requirements of the Civil Rights Act.

In an effort to boost desegregation, student transfers under the "Freedom of Choice" plan again will be accepted during the period from August 18 through August 27.

Following is a letter from Harold Howe, II, U.S. Commissioner of Education, explaining the situation in the Duplin County School System:

August 10, 1966

Dear Mr. Johnson:

My staff has reviewed the data on expected student and teacher assignments for the 1966-67 school year which you submitted to this Office in connection with your plan for school

desegregation under the Civil Rights Act of 1964.

You have reported that in the 1965-66 school year, 223 of your 5366 Negro pupils (4%) attended school on a desegregated basis, and that for the 1966-67 school year you expect that 284 of 5086 Negro pupils (5.2%) will attend school on a desegregated basis. All of the white students will continue to attend schools originally established for white students only.

On the basis of these student assignments reported by you, we do not believe that your desegregation plan, as it has operated thus far, can reasonably be considered adequate to accomplish the purposes of the Civil Rights Act. If you have additional information regarding progress under your plan which we should consider, this should be brought to our attention.

Your school board should consider what additional steps it could take in order to make adequate progress in student desegregation for 1966-67. One step that has been found useful by some school districts is to provide, after the regular choice period has ended, an additional opportunity for anyone who has not yet done so to transfer to a desegregated school. Sample announcements for this procedure are enclosed for your consideration.

Whatever steps you take to make your free choice plan effective, it should be understood that their adequacy will be measured both by the results they produce, and by the efforts made by school authorities to achieve improved performance. If reasonable progress in student desegregation is not achieved under the free choice plan, an alternative plan would have to be adopted.

Members of our staff stand ready to assist you and your board in meeting these responsibilities. At your request, staff members will be happy to discuss these matters with you.

I hope that at your earliest convenience you will let us know of the steps you will take to further the orderly process of desegregation in your school system. The earlier these steps are planned, the greater the time you will have before the opening of school to carry them out. Your reply on this matter should be addressed to Mr. David Seeley, Assistant Commissioner for Equal Educational Opportunities, U. S. Office of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, S. W., Washington, D. C. 20202.

If there is any way we can help you at this time with regard to making your desegregation plan more effective, I hope you will call on us without hesitation.

Thieves Burn Car

A call to his wife to bring the car to the station revealed his car had been stolen. The 1963 Bonneville Pontiac Ford owned by Oliver Edwards of Warsaw was later found, gutted by fire.

Mr. Edwards, thinking his wife had the car, called her to bring it to the station. Mrs. Edwards didn't have the car, she was sure it was at the station.

Unable to determine exactly when the car was taken, Mr. Edwards decided it must have been stolen during the night. Patrolman Ross was notified.

A report from the vicinity of Bowden was that on a rural sand clay road near Sampson County Line a 1963 Bonneville Pontiac had been burned and abandoned.

Apparently the car was burned on the little used road after it gave out of gas.

Patrolman K. R. Ross is investigating.

Hurricane Season

By: S. M. Williamson, Director Duplin County Civil Defense Agency

We have been fortunate for the past few years to have had no serious hurricanes to strike our area. We never know what this season will bring; therefore, it is desirable that our public understand precaution measures to take. Some of us will heed this warning and

others will put it off until preparation time is gone. Listed below is a check-list of things that the public should do which could save lives and property. It is hoped that you will take these measures seriously and prepare for all the emergencies.

BEFORE HURRICANE STRIKES

1. Fill bath tub, bottles, and cooking utensils with water.
2. Have on hand at least a two-day supply of foods that need no cooking or refrigeration.
3. Have on hand a flashlight, first aid kit, battery powered or transistor radio and fire extinguisher.
4. Secure all loose objects that might blow away or be torn loose such as garbage cans, garden tools, toys, signs, porch or garden furniture, awnings and any other objects which might become weapons in hurricane winds. Store them all inside if possible.

ROSE HILL GETS NEW PRINCIPAL

ROSE HILL - W. J. Powers of Rose Hill has been named principal of Charity High School. He succeeds C. W. Dobbins who resigned after 15 years.

A native of Pender County, Powers graduated from C. F. Pope High School in Burgaw. He received his A. B. degree from Shaw University in Raleigh and his M. A. degree from North Carolina College in Durham. For the past 13 years, Powers has served as principal at three schools in Duplin County. He was at Calypso for two years, Teachey three years and P. E. Williams eight years.

Barn Burns

Kenansville Volunteer Fire Department was called to a tobacco barn fire Monday night on the Frank Sommers farm.

The fire was so advanced when discovered it was impossible to save the barn but adjoining barns were saved by the fire departments efforts.

Farmers in the area have been exceedingly fortunate, and careful this year as this is the second call to a tobacco barn fire they have had this year. Other fire departments in adjoining areas report similar circumstances.

East-West Highway Route Uncertain

Protests of the proposed East West Highway by the Duplin County League of Municipalities, headed by Major J. E. Strickland of Warsaw, seems to have spread state wide.

Mr. Joseph M. Hunt Jr. Chairman of the North Carolina Highway Commission in a recent letter to the Warsaw Mayor said:

Thank you kindly for your letter of July 25 and I appreciate your attached resolution. Let me say this, the proposed EAST-West Highway plans as suggested by Dr. McKenzie are rather futuristic and the Highway Department does not believe we are in a position to build such a highway until we take care of some

Dear Mayor:

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More Than 100 Register In Survey In Faison

More than 100 persons have registered in the Faison area for the Duplin County Manpower Survey. The office of the Employment Service Mobile Team conducting the survey, opened in Faison last Thursday and response has been very good so far.

An open meeting to explain the Manpower Survey was held in the office of the Mobile Team in Faison on Thursday night. Mr. Preston B. Ralford, Executive Director of the Duplin Development Commission which is sponsoring the project, introduced Ben Johnson, supervisor of the State's Smaller Communities Program and Robert Mooneyham, Manager of the Mobile Team who explained the Manpower Survey to the 20 persons who attended.

Purpose of the survey is to

take a complete inventory of the work force in Duplin County to be used by the County's Development Commission and other groups in an attempt to gain new industry for the County.

Every person, working or not, who is 16 years of age or older should register in the Survey before September 17.

The office is located beside the Phillips 66 Service Station in Faison and is open from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m. Monday through Friday and 8 p.m. until noon on Saturday.

In addition to the office in Faison, registrations will be taken at the town hall in Calypso next week, August 22 through August 27th. Hours for registration will be the same as for the Faison office.

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Car Vandalized

A 1957 Chevrolet Hardtop, owned by Donald Whaley of Route 2, Beulaville, was damaged by vandals while parked in the IGA parking lot Thursday night.

Beulaville Police Chief R. E. Brown said an undetermined instrument was used to prize open the door and a tachometer was stolen. Underneath the hood, the wires were stripped from the motor and the carburetor breather stolen. Also missing were the fender skirts and hub caps. Damages were estimated at about \$100.

A 1966 Fairlane 500 Ford owned by Ray Miller of Beulaville, and parked beside the

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Three Car Wreck Hospitalizes Three

Three cars were involved in a wreck Sunday night on a wet road near the Murray farm a bout a half mile West of Kenansville. Three persons were hospitalized.

James Thomas Davis, traveling west on highway #24, driving to the left of the centerline, struck front end of 1967 Chev owned by Johnnie Miller of Route 2, Pink Hill and driven by Willie Thelma Moore.

James Herman Barden, driv-

ing a 1957 Ford owned by Alberta Miller Barden struck the back of the Miller car and has been charged with following too closely for safety.

Hospitalized were Robert Middleton, a passenger in the Davis car, Thelma Moore, operator of the Miller car and Leroy Gadsen a passenger in the Davis car.

Patrolman K. R. Ross investigated.

Warsaw Landmark

The old bank building at the corner of College and Front Street, now the property of the town of Warsaw, is currently undergoing a name change.

This property was given to the town of Warsaw by Branch Banking and Trust Company. The manpower survey team which has been in Duplin County for the past several months

has occupied the first floor of the building since the bank moved to its new location at the corner of Hill and Pine Streets. James Sprunt Institute conducted classes on the second floor.

With the manpower survey completed, and James Sprunt

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Duplin General Hospital Continues Overcrowded

Duplin General Hospital, a 50 bed hospital, stays crowded beyond capacity at all times. Last week eight patients were out in the hall.

The bond election which is set for August 27, 1966, if passed will relieve this situation. Plans are for 50 private rooms and baths to be added. This will relieve a badly overcrowded condition and assure more pleasant attention and service to the patient.

Some comment has been expressed that this addition would raise taxes. However, in 1962 bonds were voted on to build the present hospital in the amount of a quarter million dollars. Half of this bond issue has been paid off in cash without

raising taxes.

According to a statement by County Auditor, Faison W. McGowan: "It will be about three years before the proposed Hospital Bonds are issued. County

tax values have been increasing approximately two million dollars per year on new property. If these increases continue for the next three years, the taxable valuation will be approximately

six million dollars more than this year. The added revenue should amply take care of the annual bond payment installments and not cause an increase in taxes."

Grady-Outlaw Clan To Convene

Mr. Dixon Hall, president of James Sprunt Institute, will be the guest speaker at the annual Grady-Outlaw Literary Historical Association to be held at E. F. Grady School Sunday, August 28. Mr. Hall will present a History of Duplin County.

Registration will begin at 10:30. President Alvin Outlaw

will preside. Margaret Outlaw Sutton will conduct the devotional and Malcom Grady will recognize visitors. Memorial Services will be conducted after dinner. All members of the clan are invited to attend.

The executive committee, consisting of Mrs. Annie M. Outlaw, Mrs. Lessie Horton,

Mrs. Mattie Simmons, Mrs. Susie Smith, Miss Myra Maxwell and Mr. Malcom Grady invite all friends and relatives to display historical items of interest. Any old deeds, letters, pictures and other items of interest may be displayed by contacting any member of the executive committee.



NURSES TO GRADUATE AT JAMES SPRUNT INSTITUTE

Twelve graduates of the Department of Nurse Education of James Sprunt Institute will receive their diplomas in Kenansville on Sunday, August 21, 1966, at 3 p.m. in the Kenansville Elementary School. They have completed 12 months of intensive course study. They are:

Front Row, Left to Right: Mrs. Jimmie Moore, Kenansville; Miss Linda Newdick, Magnolia; Mrs. Mittie B. Stocks, Goldsboro; Mrs. Virginia Mercer, Clinton; Mrs. Lucille Outlaw, Mount Olive; Mrs. Kathleen Chambers, Kenansville.

Second Row, Left to Right: Mrs. Ann Robinson, Clinton; Mrs. Eula Mae Outlaw, Mount Olive; Miss Beadie Lofton, Wallace; Mrs. Naomi B. Giddens, Wallace; Mrs. Marie Roberts, Mount Olive; Miss Carolyn Sullivan, Pikeville.

Graduates of the program are required to take the examination of the North Carolina Board of Nursing. The students

are then licensed by the Board and are privileged with the title "L. P. N." or "Licensed Practical Nurse" under North Carolina State law.

Practical nurses are in great demand in the state. James Sprunt Institute is acting to supply the needs of trained people in nursing and other areas of study.

Licensed Practical Nurses work under the supervision of doctors and registered nurses to perform many duties in the care of the sick, involving knowledge of basic medical and health standards and requirements. The Licensed Practical Nurses work under the supervision of doctors and registered nurses to perform many duties in the care of the sick, involving knowledge of basic medical and health standards and requirements. The Licensed Practical Nurses must meet strict accreditation standards. The public is cordially invited to attend. Nurses must meet strict accreditation standards. The public is cordially invited to attend.