

Duplin Times

Straight from the Shoulder — Right from the Heart of Duplin

PROGRESS SENTINEL

RALEIGH - The Motor Vehicles Department's summary of traffic deaths through 10 A.M. Monday, February 6:

Killed to Date136
Killed to Date Last Year.....139

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Trial & Error

I have been asked to make an appeal to the young people riding around towns at night to please not throw beer cans, pop bottles and debris on vacant lots, corners or in persons yards.

Most every town in Duplin County is making a concentrated effort to clean up and beautify our towns. If the young folks will cooperate, the work of the older folks will really show up.

Garbage cans are placed in each town, and on every highway in the county. Why wouldn't it be just as great sport to throw the cans at the garbage can and see what a good marksman you are. In the first place, you are not being a good citizen when you are a litter bug. In the second place, you are showing no civic pride for your present and future home; in the third place, it is against the law. How about it, boys - and girls?

It was my pleasure and privilege not too many weeks ago to spend a night at Meredith College. It was a great surprise to me as I had no idea they would allow Mamas to spend the night there and I had also figured the girls would not want any mamas around. I have never been treated more like "A Queen For a Night" than I was by the girls on third floor in Stringfield Dorm.

Margaret's roommate had made arrangements to sleep down the hall and give me her bed. After we came back from dinner at Ballentines, everyone had to study, so it was real quiet and nice for reading. Then the fun began. We had a pajama party for one of the suite mates. The explanation was that her birthday is in the summer and couldn't be celebrated, so since she had made such an excellent talk in Assembly that morning, it was an occasion for a celebration - that's a good reason to have a party! So pop corn, Pepsis, and birthday cake were pulled from every available place to hide something. Girls were sitting on the beds, on

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CLAUDE HOWELL

Claude Howell To Lecture At JSI

James Sprunt Institute will present a lecture, by Claude Howell of Wilmington on Color Relativity. This will be the first in a series of talks to be given by well known artists at the James Sprunt campus.

Claude Howell is one of the best known artists of the state. He has been included in 428 exhibitions, fifty of which were one-man shows. He has shown in such major museums as the Metropolitan Museum of Art in

New York and the Corcoran Gallery in Washington, D. C. His paintings are in many museum collections, including the North Carolina Museum, and hundreds of his paintings are in private collections. He has been awarded many recognitions, among them a Rosenwald Fellowship for study abroad.

Howell's lecture should be of particular interest to you home

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Acting Director of Welfare Named

Mrs. Millie Ivey Brown of Warsaw was sworn in Thursday, February 2, as acting director of Public Welfare. Mr. R. V. Wells, Clerk of Superior Court administered the oath.

Mrs. Brown, who has been employed at the local office for a number of years, was selected by the Welfare Board to act as director until a Permanent director can be obtained.

Mr. Murphy Simpson, Chairman of the Welfare Board, has been in contact with a number of qualified persons who are interested in the position left vacant by the resignation of Mrs. Thelma D. Taylor.

Johnson Cotton Co. Sold

James M. Johnson, Vice President and General Manager of Johnson Cotton Company, announced today that an option to purchase the assets of Johnson Cotton Company and its affiliated corporations had been exercised by the Larchfield Corporation of Rhode Island.

Johnson further announced that he was pleased with the recent developments; that no changes in management were anticipated; and that operations of the Companies will continue as in the past.

Breathalyzer Demonstration Held



THE BREATHALYZER TEST being made on a volunteer M. P. from Camp LeJeune by Trooper, C. F. Futrell of Jacksonville. The breathalyzer measures the amount of alcohol in a subject's bloodstream.

Three Camp LeJeune M. P.'s agreed to be "guinea pigs" last Thursday when a Breathalyzer demonstration was held in the Duplin County Court House. The demonstration was given by Trooper, C. F. Futrell of Jacksonville.

In order to use the Breathalyzer, anyone who operates the machine must be certified by the State Board of Health. They must go through a 10 day school and pass a rigid examination. The permit must be renewed every 15 months. Instructors at the school are from the Institute of Government, Law Enforcement Officers and Health Departments.

To conduct the experiment the three volunteer M. P.'s from Camp LeJeune had been given six ounces of 100 proof whiskey within 3 hours, and six ounces of Coca Cola. One boy was a large frame heavy set fellow, the second a medium size man and the third a tall thin person. On each boy Trooper Futrell gave the test of balance, walking the line, touching nose with eyes closed and picking up coins. Then they were tested by the machine which is completely automatic and sterilized after each use. The first subject's blood alcohol content was .05%, the second .1% and the third .10%. Ten percent is the minimum standard set for safe driving, and a person can be arrested for driving under the influence. Even though the boys had passed all of the physical tests well, two of them were not capable of safe driving.

When a driver is suspected of driving under the influence he must be seen driving by the Patrolman. A questionnaire is filled out and the subject has the right to take or refuse the Breathalyzer test, but a driver has given his implied consent when he buys his license.

The Breathalyzer is a most fair machine. It detects the difference between alcohol and insulin. The machine collects air from the lungs and not the mouth.

Patrolman Futrell gave the demonstration before about 50 law enforcement officers, lawyers and other interested parties.

About 33 law officers of the state, and 82 patrolmen have been trained in using the Breathalyzer. Many counties in the state have bought these machines for use and many others are anticipating buying one.

Mrs. Baysden Seeks Divorce

Kathryn Baysden against William Earl Baysden, formerly of Jacksonville, now serving a 15-year sentence for counterfeiting. Seeking the divorce on grounds of one year separation, Mrs. Baysden is asking permanent custody of their son, William Jr., 12, and "for such other and further relief as the court may see just and proper." Her attorney is Henry L. Stevens III of Warsaw.

A raid of Baysdens Furniture Store in Jacksonville by Onslow officials and secret service agents in the fall of 1958 revealed \$776,680 in counterfeit \$20 bills which were in a refrigerator.

Baysden was convicted in Federal Court in Wilmington of manufacturing and possessing counterfeit money and was sentenced to 12 years, and fined \$10,000.

The verdict was set aside pending the search warrant was improperly drawn upon apartment.

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Four-lane Fairway...Friend or Foe

Plans to widen the heavily traveled N C Highway 24, which is also main street through the town of Beulaville, drew fire from some half dozen opposers at a public hearing Wednesday.

The hearing was conducted at the Beulaville town hall, which was filled to capacity, most of which endorsed the project and felt it was "a step toward progress."

The project, if approved, would expand the present two-lane, 26 foot highway to 64 feet, with four traffic lanes and parallel parking on each

side. The project is estimated to cost \$300,000. Beulaville would be required to pay \$35,000 of the estimated \$110,000 needed to acquire the right-of-way for the 1.4 miles involved.

The highway department was represented by W. A. Garrett, Administrative Assistant to Chief Engineer of State Highway System, Paul DuPre of Wilmington, Third District Engineer; Ray Brown, Wilmington, Right-of-way Engineer; Thomas King, Wilmington, District Engineer; Will Davis; and Highway Commissioner, Ashley

Murphy of Atkinson.

In response to the few opposers, commissioner Murphy said, "there are 26 other comparable towns in the district that are eager for this project if you don't want it."

Most of the people did want it. Business men were generally in agreement that it would be the best thing that could happen to the town.

One lady protested that her yard would be absorbed by the project and her visiting grandchildren would have no place to play. One man opposed it because he said it would "take my house." One of the largest stores in town would be cut back 13 feet. A spokesman said they wanted that "put on the back of the store" as they could not afford to lose that space.

A spokesman for the highway pointed out that each property owner would be dealt with on an individual basis. A lady protested it would raise taxes. Another said it was just a business deal, and she would lead a boycott of the local businesses if the project went through.

Mayor Herman Gore pointed out that Beulaville had made much progress in the sixteen years he had lived in it. Streets had been paved, water lines ex-

tended, and sewer installed," all without a tax increase.

He said the \$35,000 Beulaville would have to pay could be borrowed from the highway fund payable \$5,000 per year for seven years, interest free. He also pointed out that all streets in town could be kept up and the money repaid without a tax increase.

A former board member and prominent citizen, Cecil Miller, pointed out that "the drainage alone from the project would be worth more than double the \$35,000 Beulaville would have to pay. He pointed out that he

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Presbyterian Minister Retires

The Reverend Norman H. Flowers, honorably retired by the Wilmington Presbytery, conducted his last service as minister of the Warsaw Presbyterian Church on January 29. He also served the Bowden community Presbyterian Church.

A native of Greenville, Michigan, at an early age he moved to Florida. There he graduated from Miami City Schools and Stetson University, a Baptist School. It was here that this Episcopalian decided to enter the ministry as a Presbyterian. Upon graduation at the Union

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The early morning scene at the depot in Rose Hill when parents were seeing their Boy Scouts off to Halifax on a twenty-two car special

The pilgrimage to Halifax was sponsored by Tuscarora Council.

Scouts Travel To Halifax

By: Lucille Mosback

A twenty-two car special train pulled into Duplin County Saturday morning a little after eight o'clock. About a hundred Boy Scouts, Cub Scouts, Den mothers, and adult leaders lined up to board the train in Rose Hill. The air was crisp and cold, but the railroad track was lined with parents and friends to give the boys a real "send off" for their trip to Halifax. It has been a long time since a passenger train of this length has passed through Duplin County or since such a delegation has turned out to meet a train.

The train picked up Scouts in Wallace, Rose Hill, Warsaw, Mount Olive, and Goldsboro. In Goldsboro a ceremony was held at the station. Each boy carried his lunch, which was eaten on the train. He also carried a small American flag, and a letter to a serviceman in Viet Nam. The aim of the pilgrimage was a reaffirmation of the scout's belief in God and their country.

The small town of Halifax, North Carolina was crowded with scouts and adults from all of eastern North Carolina. It was here that 191 years ago the colony of North Carolina announced its freedom from England three months before the signing of the Declaration of Independence.

In Halifax the scouts formed a one and a half mile parade, four abreast, to march to the Courthouse where the program took place. Lt. Gov. Robert W. Scott accepted the scouts pledge.

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Faison Man Found Dead

Sammy Faison, negro male, about fifty years old, was found dead Saturday morning in an abandoned farm house near Faison.

Faison, an employee of Ernest Taylor of Faison, was last seen leaving O'Berry Beamons place about midnight Friday, and was described as being "under the influence."

His clothing, except for pants and shoes, were found about 200 yards from the house where the body was found. There was some evidence of a "scuffle" near the clothing. Contrary to flying rumors, Sheriff T. Elwood Revelle said that he found only minor scratches on the body, and no wounds that appeared severe enough to cause death.

The SEI is assisting Sheriff Revelle and his deputies in the investigation, and an autopsy is being performed in an effort to determine the exact cause of death.

Three persons have been questioned, but no arrests have been made pending findings of the autopsy.



Dr. John F. Powers, Duplin County Health Officer presents a retirement certificate to Mrs. Henrietta McGowan, center, of Kenansville for 40 years service as a midwife, Mrs. Ina Mae Everett, on left of Route 2, Mount Olive, also receives certificate after 35 years service. Absent when the picture was made was Mrs. Josie Lou Hill, Route 2, Faison. (Photo by Ruth Wells)

Midwives Retire, Health Dept.

The Duplin County Health Department paid tribute to three midwives, now retired, at a special ceremony Friday morning at the local Health Department.

Dr. John F. Powers, Health Officer, paid tribute to Mrs. Henrietta McGowan, Route 1, Kenansville, Mrs. Ina Mae Everett, Route 2, Mount Olive; and Mrs. Josie Lou Hill, Route 2, Faison. The three ladies worked a total of 102 years and delivered more than 1550 babies during their active career.

Mrs. McGowan, now 90 years old and retired for the past twelve years served Duplin, Pender, Sampson, Lenoir and Onslow County. She isn't really sure just how many babies she delivered but she knows of 650

she delivered in the 40 years. Mrs. Everett's practice was limited to only Duplin and Wayne County and she has a record of 350 deliveries in the thirty-five years of service. Mrs. Hill, also 74, delivered 550 babies in just twenty-seven years. Dealing with babies must help to keep a person young because they looked much younger than their recorded years.

Car-Mule Collision

Mr. and Mrs. William Dunbar Gould of Chestertown Maryland were painfully injured in a mule-car collision Sunday night.

The Goulds, returning from a Florida vacation, had visited a cafe in the area, when the mule appeared from out of the darkness, knocked out the windshield of the car, doing extensive damage especially to the side where Mrs. Gould was riding.

Mrs. Gould received a severe laceration on forehead and wrist. She also suffered from bruises and shock. Mr. Gould was less painfully injured. The mule owned by Allen Watson was killed instantly.

A passer-by had just stopped at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Barnette to tell them "their horse was out." Not owning such an animal, but being a compassionate person, Mrs. Barnette was trying to warn an approaching motorist of danger when she heard the impact.

The Goulds expressed an opinion to Mrs. Barnette that they felt sure seat belts saved Mrs. Gould from very serious injury or even death.

The Goulds were reported to have had relatives in Kinston, where they went after treatment at Duplin General Hospital.

Candidate For The Meanest Person

Virtually every business on Front Street in Warsaw was shot at over the week end with a B B Gun breaking the plate glass windows. Some business places were hit more than once, but the report was that none were slighted.