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Founders Award From Heart Asso. Presented To Three

Mrs. Sammie Carter, of Wallace, Mrs. Hattie Dobbins of Teachey, and Mrs. T. A. Jernigan of Mount Olive were selected from over 100,000 Heart Fund volunteers to receive an award for outstanding service

at the North Carolina Heart Association's 19th Annual Meeting held in Winston-Salem at the Robert E. Lee Hotel on May 29th and 30th.

The awards were presented at the Awards Breakfast of the

Association held annually in honor of Founders Award recipients. The wife of the Chairman-Elect of the Board of Directors of the North Carolina Heart Association, Mrs. Fred W. Klein, presided at the Breakfast and presented the Awards.

Mrs. Sammie Carter has served as City Chairman for the city of Wallace for the past two years and each year she, together with her key workers, was responsible for organizing and presenting two of the largest and most entertaining

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Yelverton New Superintendent Of Duplin County Schools

Charles H. Yelverton has been selected as the new superintendent of Duplin County Schools at recent meeting of the Duplin County Board of Education.

Yelverton will take office on July 1, 1968 and he plans to move to Duplin County as soon as possible.

The present superintendent, O. P. Johnson, is retiring as of June 30. He has served as superintendent of schools for the past 31 years. Yelverton stated that he feels most fortunate to have been selected for this job but feels that he has some big shoes to fill. However he is looking forward to the challenge, he said.

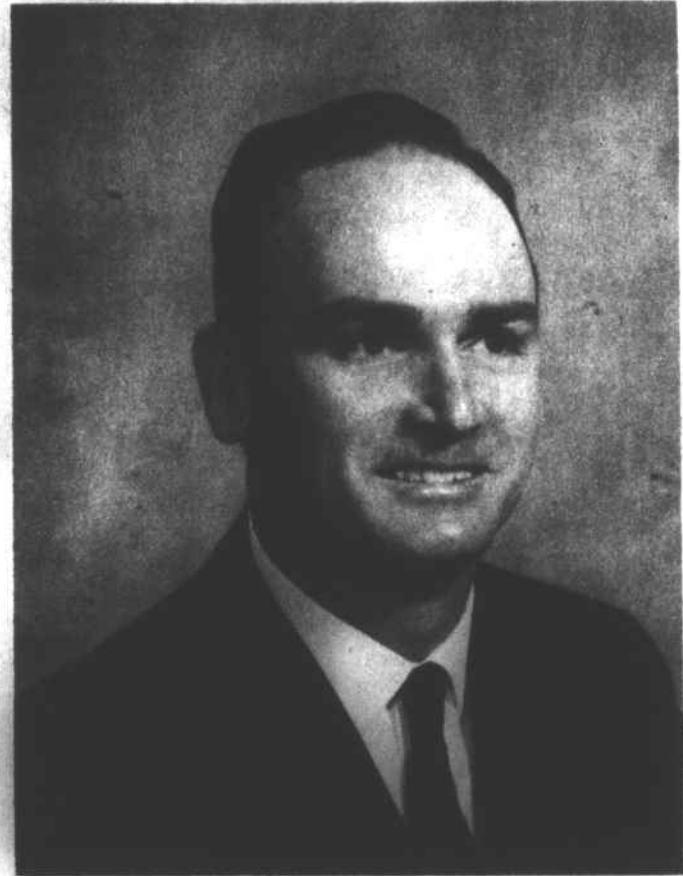
O. P. Johnson stated that he feels that the Board of Education has made a wonderful selection and that Duplin County will have good schools.

Yelverton comes to Duplin from Southern Wayne High School in Wayne County, a school which he opened in 1967. He also opened Orange Senior High School in Orange County. Both consolidated schools were accredited by the N. C. Department of Public Instruction and Southern Association of Colleges and Schools.

He is married to the former Barbara Barnes of Four Oaks and they have two children, Paul Glenn, age 7 and Pamela Dail, age 5.

Mr. Yelverton has served in the United States Army from 1954-56, being stationed in Europe the major part of his military service. He was born in

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CHARLES H. YELVERTON

JSI Adm. Thomas Hall Receives National Scholarship

Thomas Hall, Dean of Instruction at James Sprunt Institute, has received a scholarship to attend the National Corrections Seminar at Rutgers State University in New Brunswick, New Jersey, for two weeks beginning June 16, 1968.

Mr. Hall, recipient of the only

award given in North Carolina and of thirty in the nation, will

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Duplin Lists Fourth Traffic Fatality

A Warsaw man walked into the path of a car Sunday afternoon and became Duplin County's fourth traffic fatality of the year.

The accident occurred about 3:15 p. m. June 9, when Elijah Thomas Dewitt, 62, negro male of Rt. 1, Warsaw after stopping on the left side of North Carolina highway 117 to allow a south bound vehicle to pass, walked into the path of a north bound car.

He was admitted to Duplin General Hospital where he died three hours later, at 8:15 as a result of brain injuries.

State trooper E. R. Kirby, who investigated the accident, said that Thomas A. Johnson, 47, white male of 1612 Renmark, Rd., Richmond, Virginia skidded his 1965 Chevrolet about 30 feet in an effort to avoid hitting Dewitt.

Trooper Kirby listed Johnson's speed prior to the accident at 45 miles per hour. Posted limit was 60 miles per hour. The south bound vehicle, which Dewitt waited to pass, was operated by State Senator John J. Burney, Jr. of Wilmington.

Liston Summerlin of Rt. 2, Warsaw was also a witness to the accident in a car immediately behind the car driven by Mr. Johnson.

No violation was indicated.

Annual Red Cross Meet

The Annual Red Cross meeting will be held on Thursday afternoon, June 20, 1968 at 4 o'clock in the afternoon in the Conference Room of the Duplin County Education Building at Kenansville, N. C.

All officers and committee chairmen are urged to be present also the F. A. and H. N. Instructors.

Come and bring some one with you.

Methodist Ministers Assigned

Annual Methodist Conference held last week at the Methodist College in Fayetteville assigned the following ministers to this area:

Kenansville - Woodland, W. T. Clark; Sarecta, K. R. Minton; Turkey, V. N. Moore;

Warsaw, C. E. Owens; Faison, J. M. Roberts; Pink Hill, B. R. McCullen; Magnolia, Raymond W. Hall, Sr.; Rose Hill, C. E. Sparks; Wallace, F. R. Randolph; Bethel - Rones, J. W. Hicks, and Mount Olive, J. G. White, Jr.

Williams-Waller Reunion

The Williams-Waller Family Reunion will be held Sunday, June 16, at the B. F. Grady School in Duplin County near Pink Hill. This is an annual gathering of the relatives of the late Stephen Malachi and Nan Williams Waller. The program will begin at 11:00 in the school auditorium with Curtis Tarleton, President this year, presiding, and Billy Kennedy in charge of the program, followed by a picnic dinner on the grounds at 12:30.

In case of rain, dinner will be served in the school cafeteria. Friends and relatives are invited to attend and bring a picnic basket. Ice and plates will be provided for all.

Wreck Hospitalizes Two

State Trooper S. T. Joyner of Warsaw investigated a wreck Thursday morning at 8:20 a. m. two miles south of Wallace. Two persons were hospitalized.

According to Trooper Joyner,

Mr. William T. Blanchard, 49, white male of Rose Hill, driving a 1965 Pontiac, passed a stop sign on rural paved road 1162, also known as the Bay Road.

In turning left on highway 117, he collided with a 1960 Buick operated by Mrs. Dolly Rouse Hanchey, 73, of Rt. 2, Wallace. The brakes on the Pontiac failed.

Mr. Blanchard received severe lacerations of the head and face. Mrs. Hanchey received fractured ribs and lacerations of the right arm. Both were admitted to Duplin General

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Selected For Camp Staff

Ray Johnson has been selected by Chief Scout Executive, Dick Auger and Camp Director of Camp Tuscarora, Larry Wheeler to serve on the Summer Camp Staff and a special Pilgrimage Staff to the Trek to Bath. The son of Mrs. Dorothy Johnson, he is an Eagle Scout and a member of Post 20 of Warsaw. Ray reported for his duties June 8th.

Linesman Injured In Fall

A South Carolina man was painfully injured Thursday morning near Kenansville when he fell from a utility pole.

Hilton Calcutt, 54 white male of Sumter, South Carolina was admitted to Duplin General Hospital with a back injury.

Calcutt was employed as foreman for Sumter Building Company which was putting in new poles for Tri-County Electric on a secondary road number 1516 just off highway 11 south of Wesley Chapel Methodist Church.

The auger, used to bore holes for the utility poles, was reported to have "hung" and Mr. Calcutt, climbed the pole to release the auger. He was released.

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Welfare Building Nears Completion

Twenty employees of the Duplin County Welfare Department are eagerly anticipating moving into their new office building.

Located on Seminary Street, one block west of the Court House in Kenansville, the beautiful antique structure is scheduled to be completed by August of this year.

Mrs. Millie Brown, acting director of Welfare, says that she and the entire staff are hoping they will be able to move into the new building in July.

The department has experienced growing pains for many years. In the present building a 14x20 feet office provides working space for six people.

The new building will provide a private office for the director, as well as private offices for the social workers and home makers. It will also contain a secretarial pool.

Low bidder for the project at approximately \$125,000, was Godwin Building Company Inc.

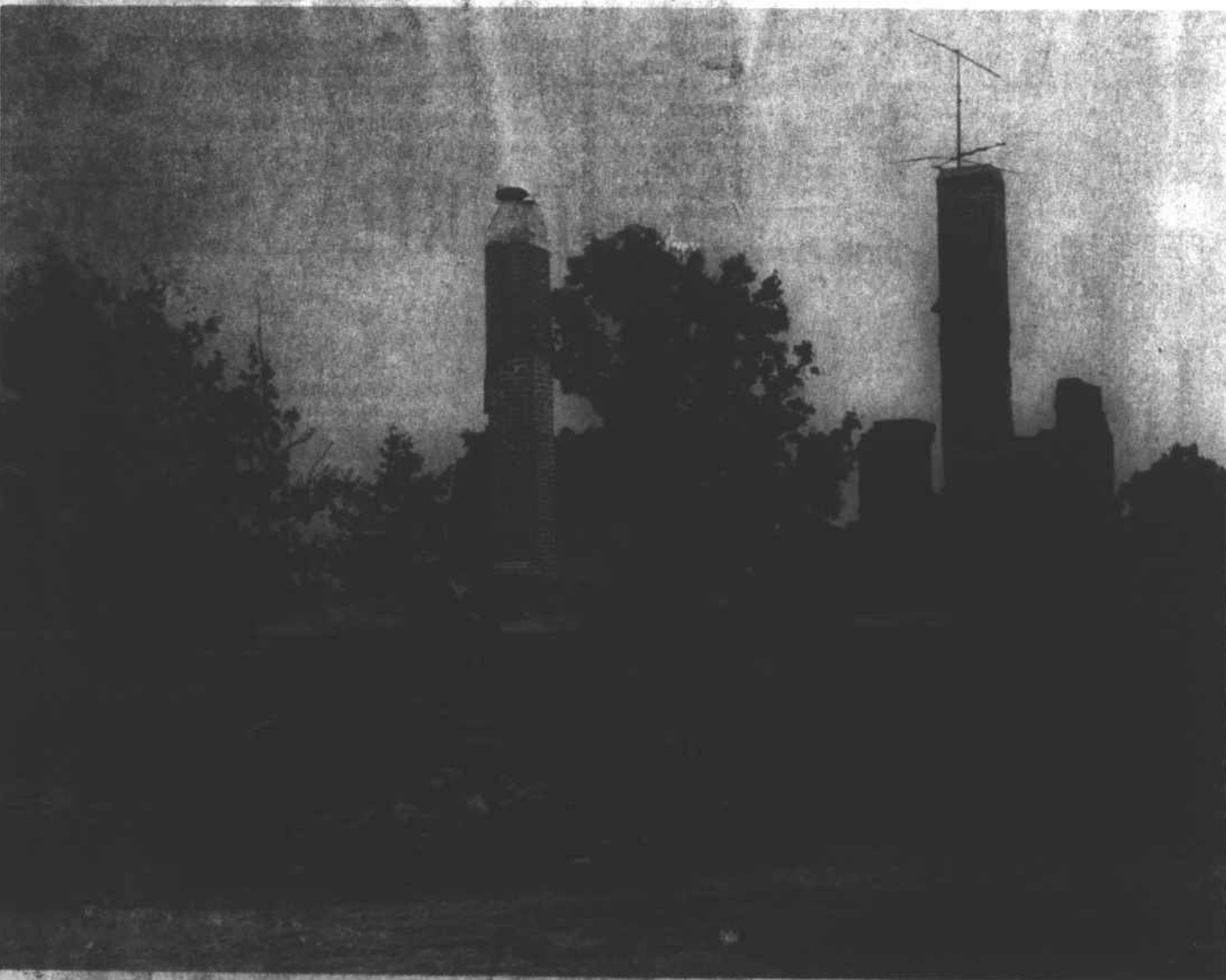
Mrs. Brown said they have participated by the state and federal government for money to apply on a rental basis and this will probably provide as much as half the initial cost when considered on a long term basis.



Duplin County Welfare building, beautiful in Colonial splendor, is rapidly approaching completion. The building is scheduled to be turned over to the county for use in August.



MISS PATRICIA HOPKINS WHO WILL REPRESENT WARSAW IN CHARLOTTE AT THE MISS NORTH CAROLINA CONTEST - This is the week Miss Pat Hopkins, plus 85 other young ladies, is in Charlotte competing for the title of Miss North Carolina. Miss Hopkins left this past week end for the week long competition which will culminate Saturday night when the new Miss North Carolina will be crowned. She was accompanied by Mrs. Bill Fesperman of Faison, official chaperone. Miss Warsaw will spend the week at receptions, talent rehearsals, swimming suit and evening gown competition. On Thursday evening she will present her talent which is a song and dance rendition of "Birth of the Blues". On Saturday evening, 16 semi-finalists will be selected out of which the new Miss North Carolina will be chosen. In the picture above, Miss Hopkins is shown at the Veteran's Day celebration when she was crowned Miss Warsaw in November of 1967. Good Luck to you Miss Warsaw!



A fire re-occurring within six hours reduced this brick house to a rubble early Saturday morning. The building located on highway 24 near James Kenan High School was owned by A. C. Lockamy and occupied by Mrs. Louise Merritt Pope.

(Photo by Ruth B. Wells)

Fire Follows Family Fracas

A six room brick house owned by A. C. Lockamy of Rt. 1, Warsaw was destroyed by fire early Saturday morning following family troubles by the occupants.

The house was occupied by Mrs. Louise Merritt Pope, who with her eight children and her mother, lost everything they owned except what they were wearing. An estimate of damages sustained by Mrs. Pope was not available.

Mr. Lockamy, Justice of the Peace of Warsaw, said he was called to the Warsaw Police Station soon after midnight Saturday morning, June 8.

Mrs. Pope had gone to the police station to get a warrant for her estranged husband, Earl Pope.

Mr. Lockamy said Mrs. Pope stated that Earl came to her house in a drunken condition and lay down the chair and threatened to kill her. Lock-

amy said that he issued a warrant charging Pope with assault with a deadly weapon with intent to kill.

While waiting for an officer to get the warrant and serve it on Pope, a call came to the Warsaw Police Department that the house occupied by Mrs. Pope was on fire.

The Warsaw Fire Department logged a call at 2:05 a. m. Saturday June 8 to the Pope residence on the Kenansville

Highway. The fire was restricted to the interior of the building and was soon extinguished with the walls and roof of the building still standing.

An officer at the scene of the fire arrested Pope on the charges brought by Mrs. Pope and carried him to Warsaw Jail. He was released by bondsman Saturday night, and incidentally was picked up on a public

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