

# Duplin Times

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PRICE 10¢ PLUS TAX



Construction began Monday on Kenansville's ABC Store located on highway 24 west. The architecture will be colonial and will have paved customer parking in front and on both sides of the store. The \$25,000 building is expected to be occupied by early December of this year. (Photo by Ruth Wells.)

### Construction Begins On ABC Store

Construction began Monday, August 26 on the new home for Kenansville's ABC store.

Francis Oakley, chairman of the Duplin County Alcoholic Beverage Board, said they hoped to occupy the \$25,000 building by early December of this year.

The store will be located on highway 24 in the triangle between highways 24 and 11. In keeping with the restoration plans for Kenansville the Colonial type structure will have a porch complete with white columns. The 32 x 55 foot building will be veneered with colonial brick and will have paved parking in front and on both sides of the building.

Chairman Oakley said the recent financial statement for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1968 showed total sales of \$135,299.35. This is an increase of \$15,112. over the previous year and shows a net profit for the town of \$12,450.

Of the proceeds derived from the store the town of Kenansville receives 55% of the profits. Five percent of this is

earmarked for law enforcement. The county receives the remaining 45 percent with ten percent of their funds designated for drainage purposes.

To date the funds have not been divided as the law allows the store to retain the funds

Duplin County Commissioners met in a brief session here Monday and declared Labor Day, September 2, 1968 a holiday for all county employees.

### Youth Killed In Pool Room

A "billiards" game in the Juniper section of Rt. 2, Faison was ended Monday afternoon with a fatal shot, not from a cue stick but from a 25 Colt Automatic.

Micheal Derrel Stevens, 15, colored male of Rt. 2, Faison was pronounced dead on arrival at Sampson Memorial Hospital.

until they acquire a good operating capital.

Sales are expected to increase in the new location as much as 20 to 25 percent.

Other members of the Kenansville ABC board are Stokes Westbrook and Harold Jones.

### Commissioners Meet

In further action the appointed W.E. Craft and H.L. Stevens III special tax attorneys to collect back taxes due in Duplin County.

### Warsaw Will Have Beer

Warsaw voters, 439 strong, turned out Saturday to vote for the sale of beer and wine.

The referendum carried in a more than 8 to 1 vote with only 47 dissenting votes cast.

Ten years ago a similar referendum was voted down with about the same majority as voted for the beer sales in Saturdays voting.

Warsaw has had an ABC store since November 1965.

### Offices To Observe Labor Day

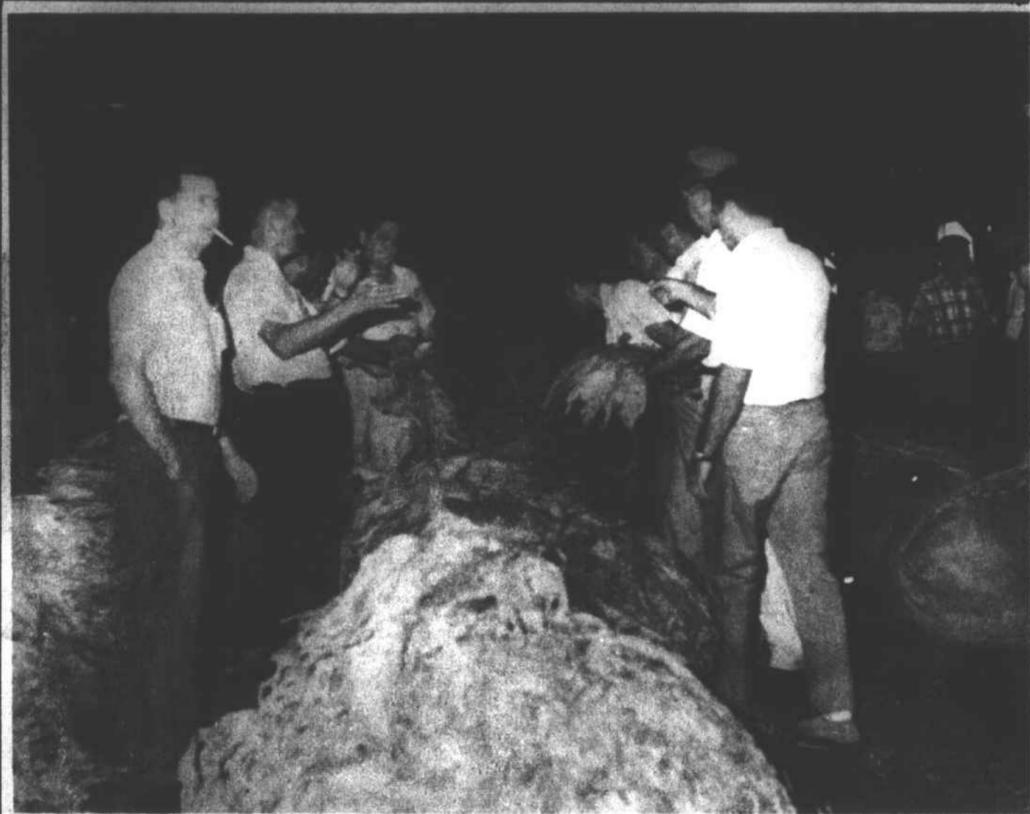
All county offices in the County Seat will be closed Monday September 2 in the observance of Labor Day. Other businesses that have notified the Times Office of their closing are: Coastal Production Credit Association; Federal Crop Insurance; Farmers Home Administration; Booths Insurance Office and Jones' Cafe. The A & P Store in Warsaw will also be closed.

### Deputy Thigpen Home

Sheriff T. Elwood Revelle said that Deputy Rodney Thigpen returned to his home Monday afternoon after being hospitalized for some time at Wayne Memorial Hospital. Thigpen is reported doing fine and should be back at work in the not too distant future.

### Smith Reunion

Descendants of the late Frank Gordon and Lena Hardy Smith will hold their annual reunion at the Barbecue Lodge, on Highway 70, near Kinston, Sunday September 29th, at 12 o'clock noon. A Dutch Luncheon will be served.



Wallace Tobacco Market hears the chant of the auctioneer Monday as he sang dollars in the pockets of farmers. The

golden weed's first days sale averaged about \$70 per hundred with strong buying demand.

### Prices Good On Eastern Belt Opening

Tobacco markets in 17 eastern towns which compose the Eastern North Carolina Belt, opened Monday morning August 26. The belt-wide estimated average of sales was about \$70 per hundred pounds.

Sales through the eastern belt were on a five hour basis with a four day selling week set for the first week of sales.

The offerings were termed "an excellent crop of smoking tobacco", with harvesting in this particular area virtually completed.

In an overall picture of the belt, sales receipts by the Flue-Cured Stabilization were estimated at 8 to 10 per cent of the gross sales.

On all markets, buyer participation was very good, quality was thought to be better than last year and farmers generally were very well pleased.

Most warehousemen are booking space in an effort to provide an even flow of the leaf from farm to auction floors. Some warehouses are allocating

space to their "regular" customers on a weekly basis, the amount of space reserved being determined by their poundage allotment.

Untied or loose leaf will be price supported throughout the entire season and virtually all offerings on opening day were of the untied variety.

### Stolen Tires Recovered

Six young white men from the Beulaville area and a 15 year-old Fayetteville youth are under bond for appearance in the September 12th term of General County Court. They were charged with larceny.

They were given a hearing Saturday before Beulaville's magistrate Gordon Muldrow.

Deputy Sheriff Alfred Basden said the Beulaville men involved were: Bronnie Futrell, 17, of Rt 1; William Wade, 25 and his brother Glenn, 19, both of Rt. 2; James Futrell, 19, Rt. 2; and Donald Lewis Tyn-dall, 25, Rt. 2. Also involved were Adrian Norris 21, Rt. 2, Pink Hill and Cleveland.

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### Phillips Heads "Democrats for Gardner"

Gubernatorial candidate Jim Gardner announced today the appointment of Hubert Phillips as Chairman of the "Democrats for Jim Gardner" in Duplin County.

Mr. Phillips was born in Warsaw, North Carolina, and is married to the former Violet Draper Kornegay. They have three sons. He graduated from Warsaw High School and received an L.L.B. from Wake Forest College. He served in the Navy and U.S. Army during World War II. The family attends Johnson Baptist Church in Warsaw, and Mr. Phillips is presently serving on the Board of Deacons as Chairman, was Sunday School Superintendent for several years, and taught Adult Sunday School Class over a period of 25 ve-

ars. He is a Mason at St. John's Lodge # 13, and works for the betterment of his community. He has been practicing law in the Town of Kenansville for 30 years. Mr. Phillips' political activities include

ded serving as Judge of the General County Court of Duplin County for 10 years; Attorney for Duplin County for 4 years; Attorney for the Bo-

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### Tobacco Burns On Way To Market

Two unusual fires have destroyed tobacco on the way to market recently.

Kenansville firemen were called upon Monday afternoon to extinguish the freak fire here.

Mr. Alton Newton, farmer and retired mail carrier, had a pickup truck loaded with an estimated 2,000 pounds of to-

bacco, in sheets, presumably on the way to market. As he traveled highway 24 south near the Presbyterian Church the tobacco caught fire.

Dan Fussell, Jr. local contractor, traveling in back of Mr. Newton saw the fire and blew his horn in vain, in an

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### National Spinning Contributes To College

National Spinning Company, one of Duplin County's major industries, has pledged \$10,000 to Mt. Olive College.

Mr. Freddie Bell, general manager of the Warsaw plant of National Spinning presents a \$5,000 check to Mr. E.C. Thompson for the college. Mr. Thompson is Warsaw chairman of the college finance committee. The check today was presented in behalf of the National Spinning Company, and alike amount will be presented in 1969.

A three year campaign was launched in January of this year to raise one million dollars for the development of the college. National Spinning's gift boosts to \$30,000 in cash or pledges received by the institution since the campaign began.

Duplin has the second largest enrollment of students at the college with 35 students each year or 10 percent of the entire enrollment.

Mr. W. Burkette Raper is president of the College which is a fully accredited two-year liberal arts college.

Dr. Hervy Kornegay, a native of Duplin County, is pre-

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Mr. Freddie Bell second from left, general manager of National Spinning presents a check to Mr. E.C. Thompson. The check is the first half of a \$10,000.00 pledge to Mount

Olive College. Looking on are Pres. B.P. Raper left and Dr. Hervy Kornegay President of Mount Olive College Area Foundation. (Photo by Ruth Wells.)



Dwight Hill, son of Mr. and Mrs. Buck Hill, in front of their four bulk curing tobacco barns. Dwight is removing the cured weed from the barn and placing it in sheets, ready for market. Tobacco cured in these barns has proved very acceptable to buyers and often brings a cent or two more per pound. (Photo by Ruth Wells.)

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### Bulk Curers Ease Labor Shortage

The Buck Hill's, of Rt. 2, Mt. Olive may have found the answer to the present labor shortage that is harassing most tobacco farmers in this area.

Prior to the burning season, this year they purchased and installed four bulk curing barns. These barns are located side by side and are connected with a wide shelter.

Dwight Hill, their only son, assists his parents in their farming operations. They tend 15 acres of tobacco and rent out the remainder of their 23-acre allotment. They also tend 80 acres of soybeans, and 130 acres of corn. They soil bank the other 130 acres of their corn allotment. Other farming operations include livestock,

more specifically hogs and chickens. They have houses to accommodate 41,000 broilers. Mr. Hill has tried other type curing barns which did not prove satisfactory.

Nine persons, which includes two truck drivers, have harvested the fifteen acres of tobacco. This includes 4 croppers in the field, and three

persons at the barn. A barn can be filled by this crew in 5 to 5 1/2 hours. The green tobacco is placed in the racks and because of the weight of the uncured product, a winch is used to place the rack in the barn. Each rack contains as much tobacco

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