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National Spinning Receives Deed To Plant Site

An office for National Spinning Company in Beulaville, and space for employee training is under renovation on Main Street in Beulaville.

Mr. Allie Bell, general manager of the Beulaville plant said trainee machines are scheduled for delivery in mid November.

"Applications are now being received, and each applicant will be contacted by letter within the next week or ten days," said Mr. Bell.

Bids are being submitted on the plant building which will be located about one half mile south of Beulaville on the Cedar Fork Road. The contract is expected to be let soon.

Production machines are scheduled for delivery in January. Due to slow delivery of type machines to be used in new plant, employees will be added as machinery arrives at the plant.

However Mr. Bell pointed out that training of first employees will start in the temporary office on Main Street.

The plant will be constructed on a thirty two acre tract of land on the Cedar Fork Road one half mile from the city limits.

Mr. Arthur Kennedy, President of the Beulaville Development Commission, officially presented a check to Mr. L.J. Sandlin last week in payment for the plant site and the deed has been delivered to Mr. Bell. Other members of the commission who assisted in raising the money were: William Cutler, vice president; Russell Bostic, Secretary and treasurer; Herman Gore, Stephen Smith, Raleigh Lanier, and Richard Williams.

The new plant at Beulaville has been designated to manufacture hosiery yarn.

Mr. P.E. Ralford, Executive Director of the Duplin Development Commission has worked closely with the Beulaville group to bring this industry to Beulaville, which will provide employment for people in the area.



Mr. Russell Bostic, center, secretary for National Spinning Company, Mr. Arthur Kennedy, president of the Commission looks on. (Photo by Ruth Wells.)

Long Ridge Revival

Revival at Long Ridge Free Will Baptist Church, 11 miles east of Mt. Olive will begin Monday evening, Oct. 21 at 7:30 and continue through the week. The Rev. Walter Carter of East Rockingham will be the guest evangelist assisted by the pastor Rev. Luther Swinson.

The annual homecoming will be observed the following Sunday Oct. 27. Sunday School at 10 o'clock, worship service at 11 o'clock.

Lunch will be served at the noon hour on outside tables. Everyone is requested to bring a well filled picnic basket.

Former pastors and friends are invited to attend and enjoy a day of fellowship together. Singing groups are invited to take part in the afternoon services.

Legal Secretary Sues For \$200,000

A Wilmington man has been named defendant in a \$200,000 suit filed in Duplin County by a legal secretary in Warsaw.

Allegedly charged with breach of promise, seduction and pregnancy, is Ronald David Wood, 32, a Wilmington real estate man. Dorothy C. Wishart, 25, brought the action and claims that Wood gave her a diamond ring, promised to marry her, and began building a house which he promised would be their home, and later tried to get her to dispose of an unborn child. She is asking \$100,000 actual damages and \$100,000 punitive damages.

Wood, arrested by the New Hanover Sheriff's Department, has been released under \$15,000 bond pending outcome of the action.

A petition filed here last week by attorneys for the defendant requested until November 5 to answer the complaint.

Mrs. Wishart allegedly claims that after her divorce, Wood "reminded her that she was wearing his ring, that he had their house under construction, and had publicly announced their marriage plans."

Revival First FWB In Warsaw

Pastor John Raeford Lee has announced revival services for the First Free Will Baptist Church in Warsaw.

Services will begin at 7:30 p.m. October 21 with Rev. C.B. Hansley as Evangelist. The public is invited to attend.

ction, and had publicly announced their marriage plans.

"And that he needed and desired female companionship, he needed and wanted her love as by other fake, fraudulent and deceitful promise and conduct, persuaded her to have sexual relations with him."

Mrs. Wishart became pregnant in May and later learned that Wood had sold the house she thought was to have been hers, and was having an affair with another woman.

She claims as a result of all this, she has lost her good social standing and respectability.



A portion of the mangled cars derailed from a SCL North bound freight train in Magnolia early Saturday morning. Fourteen badly damaged gondola type cars were placed between two utility poles, leaving the poles in tact. Note T-iron in foreground. No injuries were reported. (Photo by Ruth Wells)

Jessup Convicted, Sekunda Nol Pros

A plea of innocent was changed to admission of attempted rape and brought the defendant a 6 to 8 year prison term in Superior Court here last week.

Robert Earl Jessup, 18, negro of Warsaw changed his plea after three prosecution witnesses testified that he attempted to rape Mrs. Katharina Braswell, 24 of Warsaw, wife of a service man, and mother of three children.

Mrs. Braswell testified that as she walked around the block of a residential street in Warsaw on the night of September 21, she was seized by Jessup. He put one hand over her mouth and the other in her back saying "If you scream I will kill you".

Jessup, moving backward, tripped as he attempted to drag Mrs. Braswell into a cornfield. Mrs. Braswell screamed and ran to the home of R.J. Lewis, Jr., where the police department was notified.

Harold McCullen, Warsaw Police officer arrived shortly.

Mrs. Braswell rode with the officer and identified Jessup who was immediately taken into custody. His grass stained clothing and dusty shoes were presented as evidence at the trial.

Presiding Judge Eibert S. Peel recommended that Jessup be confined to a youthful offenders camp for psychiatric treatment and care.

The Sheriff's office received a "hold" order on Jessup for violation of probation in Bladen County where Jessup received a suspended six months term for assault, public drunkenness and larceny on March 31, 1967. He was placed on probation for two years.

Another case of widespread interest was that of Leon Sekunda, 28 of Teachey who was freed on a rape charge when conflicting evidence was presented by a State witness.

The alleged victim, a 14 year old girl, Elizabeth Sheffield, said that Sekunda went to her home on the night of September

12 about 2 a.m. Testimony revealed that Sekunda said "Ray Heath has been hurt in an accident and is in the Kenansville Hospital and is calling for you". He offered to take her to the hospital.

She stated that instead of taking her to the hospital he took her to Gold Pond where he criminally assaulted her twice.

The case was Nol Prossed when Heath admitted that the testimony he had given contradicted an affidavit he had signed two days previously.

Other cases heard included: Pauline Garner plead guilty to assault with a deadly weapon, and received a sixteen months sentence at Woman's Prison.

Allen Flowers plead guilty to assault with a deadly weapon, and was sentenced to twenty four months in the county jail.

Earl Lenwood Bryant, plead guilty to breaking and entering without intent to commit felony, 24 months suspended, three

years probation, pay \$45.15 to a newspaper and pay cost, and to be gainfully employed.

Charlie Henry McArthur plead guilty on ten charges of forgery which were consolidated for judgment. He was

sentenced to not less than 5 year and no more than 7 years, suspended and placed on probation for 3 years, pay \$327.31 for holders of forged checks, and pay cost in all ten cases.

Billy Smith, forgery, nol pros.

Johnnie Rushion Carr, plead guilty to operating auto while intoxicated resisting arrest and received 18 months suspended, and placed on probation for three years.

Johnnie Rushion Carr, charged with operating auto while intoxicated, speeding and resisting arrest, case dismissed.

Calvin Simmons, public drunkenness, violation of GS 14-335, and public nuisance, 90 days, suspended, one year probation, pay cost and go live with brother in Wilmington for one year.

Pope Speaks At Rally

A Republican Rally supporting Melvin Pope of Magnolia for State House of Representatives was held Saturday night in the Bear Marsh Community Building.

Pope, owner and operator of L.E. Pope Furniture Store in Magnolia, spoke to a group of about 300 citizens calling for law and order, and a return of schools to local control.

This was one in a series of rallies being held throughout the county. Each rally is preceded by a fried chicken supper.

Pope is a native of Magnolia, a graduate of Magnolia High School and attended Oak Ridge Military Institute. He is active in religious and community affairs, having served on the school board, town board, and is a member of the Magnolia Fire Dept. and Rescue Squad. He is also a Mason, Lion, and member of Men's Civic Club and the Magnolia Baptist Church.

Henderson To Visit Sampson

On Thursday, October 17, Congressman David N. Henderson will visit in Sampson County during the day and attend a county-wide Democratic Rally in Roseboro in the evening.

On Friday, he will address a service awards banquet sponsored by the Wayne County ASCS Committee honoring its office employees at Wilber's Barbecue at 7:00 P.M.

On Saturday, he will tour Johnston County with Lt. Governor Bob Scott and Attorney-General nominee Bob Morgan and will then go to the Johnston-Wayne-Lenoir-Greene County Rally in Kinston in the evening. On Sunday afternoon, October 20, he will speak at ceremonies dedicating the Southern Wayne Country Club in Mount Olive.

"Miss America" Special Guest At "Miss Duplin County"

Miss America 1969, Judith Anne Ford, will be a special guest at the "Miss Duplin County Pageant" to be held Saturday evening, November 9th at 7:00 p.m. at the Kenan Memorial Auditorium.

Miss America 1969 is a beautiful green-eyed blond who was crowned Miss America in Atlantic City, N.J., September 7, 1968, competing as the state queen from Illinois.

An expert gymnast, she first won the preliminary award in the talent division and then went on to win honors in the preliminary swimsuit division before being selected as the new Miss America in competition with 49 contestants from the other states of the nation. As Miss America, she has halted trampoline work for safety reasons due to lack of sufficient time to practice.

The new Miss America came to the Pageant already bearing honors for her ability as a gymnast. She holds the title as the 1968 Junior National Women's Trampoline Champion. In 1965, she was a member of the American gymnastics team which represented the United States at the Gymnestrada in Vienna, Austria. In her talent competition at the Pageant, she performed an intricate on-stage routine on the trampoline, combined with acrobatic dance.

Miss America 1969 was born in Iowa City, Iowa, on December 26, 1949 and is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Ford who reside in Belvidere, Illinois. She attended Belvidere High School, completed one year at the University of South West Louisiana, and was enrolled as a sophomore at the University of Illinois, majoring in physical education, when she was named Miss America. Following her year of reign as Miss America, she plans to return to studies to obtain a Bachelor's Degree in physical education and then hopes to continue studies for a Master's Degree. She is a member of the Alpha Lambda Delta (National) Honorary Society and in high school was named to the National Honor Society, French Honor Society and the Quill and Scroll. She was a cheerleader, Homecoming Queen and a member of the Student Council.

She received a \$10,000 scholarship as Miss America. As Miss Illinois, she had received a \$1,000 Pepsi-Cola Bottlers Scholarship, \$500 Toni Fashion Award and a courtesy car from Oldsmobile.

Miss America's appearance in Duplin County is through the courtesy of Warsaw Motor Company and Pepsi-Cola Bottling Company of Goldsboro.

Boy Scouts Century Club Members Honored



The Finance Committee of Kenansville Council of Boy Scouts honored the members of their Century Club at a kick-off dinner at Jones Cafe Monday night.

Charles Grady, Jr. is chairman of the committee which honored businessmen who have contributed \$100 annually to finance the local Boy Scout activities. John Hall is co-chairman.

Preston Ralford, director of Duplin Development Commission is District Finance Chairman of the Croatan Scout District.

Tom Deaton, Scout Field Director for Duplin County, and his son Tom, Jr., of the U.S. Navy were also present.

Members of the century club include: H.E. Phillips, local attorney; Davis Evans, busi-

nessman; Phil Kretsch, Wac-camaw Bank & Trust Company; Ralph Cottle of Reeves Brothers; G.P. King of Coastal Production Credit; Elmore Bell of Bell Motors; and Dr. Oscar L. Redwine, surgeon at Duplin General Hospital.

Also attending the meeting were Kenansville's mayor, Earl Hatcher; and Pack 50 cub Master, Eugene Nethercut.

SCL Derailment In Magnolia

Magnolia residents were awakened early Saturday morning by the most unusual sounds from a Seaboard Coast-Line freight train, which moments later piled fourteen cars between two utility poles near the north end of town.

The empty gondola cars were so badly damaged it was hard to determine which set of wheels belonged to which car. No injuries were reported. The derailed cars came to rest just yards from a LP gas storage tank owned by Smith Brothers Gas Company of Magnolia.

Mrs Matthews Visits Liberty Hall

Mrs. Flagler Matthews, granddaughter of Henry Morrison Flagler, visited Liberty Hall on Saturday, October 5th. It was the first time a member of the Flagler family had visited Liberty Hall since 1901 when her grandfather married Mary Lily Kenan in the old home.

Mrs. Matthews was unable to make the dedication of Liberty Hall that she made this spec-

ial trip to Kenansville on her way to Florida. She was escorted through the restoration by her cousin Thomas Kenan of Durham.

Mrs. Matthews makes her home in Rye, New York and also maintains homes at Palm Beach, Florida, the resort founded by her grandfather, and New York City. Mrs. Matthews is the President and found-

der of The Henry Morrison Flagler Museum in Palm Beach, Florida, former home of her grandfather and Mary Lily Kenan Flagler.

She is very active in church work in both Florida and New York and she recently returned from the Lambeth Conference in England where she met with the Archbishop of Canterbury and other prominent churchmen.

Gas Co. unloading equipment was fixed at \$300. "It tore out all the pipes that conveyed the gas from the sliding into the storage tank", said A.Q. Smith, one of the owners. Gas fumes were in the air until about noon.

The cars jackknifed and pushed the T-irons so that the cars rested within a few yards of the main tract and the siding.

The derailment occurred between the main tract and Highway 117 near the city limits. A work crew with special repair equipment was dispatched to the scene and trains had apparently resumed their normal schedules by Saturday night.

Plan now to attend Veteran's Day Celebration November 9 in Warsaw.

Attention! The Herman Outlaw convicted of drunken driving as published in last weeks paper was not Herman A. Outlaw of Rt. 1, Seven Springs.