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## Father Kills Daughter For Failure To Cook Squirrels

A Duplin County man is being held in the local jail, without privilege of bond after shooting his daughter because his "supper of squirrels was not ready." Onie Winders Hall, 71, reportedly confessed to killing his daughter, Rena Mae Hall, with a single blast from a double barrel 12 gauge shot gun. The shooting took place at their home on rural paved road 1004 a few miles north of Kenansville about 6 p.m. Wednesday, November 13th.

Best described the kitchen as being about 10 feet square. The blast from the gun at close range hit the woman in the head. "Brains and bits of skull were all over the kitchen, from the floor to the ceiling," said Best. The shooting took place as Rena was preparing the evening meal. A vegetable chopper was found clutched in her left hand underneath the body. Coroner Best has scheduled a hearing for 8 p.m. Tuesday November 19 in the court room in Kenansville. It was in the same kitchen that a fight with a son of Onie W. Hall led to a fatal stabbing in December 1962. A grand jury failed to find a true bill against Onie Winders Hall who was charged with murder in the stabbing death of his son, Charles Lee Hall. Officers investigating at the time

said Charles was stabbed on both sides of the upper chest, across the cheek to the base of the left ear, and over the left shoulder. The stabbing followed an argument over "possum" meat. The possum had been prepared for the evening meal and the family with the exception of Charles had eaten. He was not at home at the time. He later returned and was unhappy with the amount of "possum" left for his supper. He began arguing and abusing his mother. The argument shifted to his father. A fight ensued with the father settling the matter with a knife.

Conversations are in order for Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sheffield, left, of Warsaw and their two sons who have just received the coveted Eagle Scout Awards. David Graham Sheffield (beside his father) receives congratulations from District Scout Executive

Tom Deaton. Rev. Don Skinner, minister of the Warsaw Presbyterian Church congratulates the other son, Stephen Patrick Sheffield. Their older brother Johnson Sheffield is also an Eagle Scout.

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## Arson Suspected In Rose Hill Fires

Three fires in the Brice Store Area of Rose Hill Township are under investigation by the Duplin County Sheriff's Department. Arson is suspected in at least two of the fires. Fire Chief Clayton Herring said the Rose Hill Fire Department was called about 6 p.m. Saturday to an empty house at the intersection of rural paved roads 1102 and 1103, about four miles west of Rose Hill. The fire in an empty run down house, the department was unable to save it. The house was owned by Nash Johnson. The second call to the Fire Department came about 7 P.M. This call also reported a house fire on the property owned by Nash Johnson and known as the old J.C. Williams Farm about one half mile from the first fire. Fire had been set in two separate parts of the building used for storage of hay.

Firemen were unable to save the house, but did save the adjoining building. The sheriff's department was notified as arson was suspected. Chief Deputy Snyder Dempsey called Leon Williamson, Fire Marshal of Kinross in on the case and a full scale investigation is in progress. A third fire has been reported Monday in the same general area, this time on the Herring farm about 2 miles further west. Bob Herring, who farms the ancestral lands of the Herring family, found a fire in an elm tree near the old open well at the Herring home place. Since there was no evidence of fire elsewhere, Mr. Herring said this could have been the work of careless hunters who set the fire trying to smoke out the hunted game. This fire, along with the other two are being investigated.

## Home Federal To Open New Warsaw Office

latest customer conveniences and comforts, a spacious parking area, drive-in teller window and night deposit box.

The new facility will be a real asset to this growing community. The building constructed of mountain stone and brick. The front entrance will be located on East Hill Street. For the past seven years Home Federal Savings and Loan Assn. has been located on 108 S. Pine Street. Mr. Kornegay wishes to thank the people of Warsaw and Duplin County for their past patronage and looks forward to the continued relationship. A \$4 year institution with over \$30 million dollars in resources, Home Federal has maintained an office since 1961 in Warsaw. In addition to the main office in Kinross, the Association has office in Jacksonville and Snow Hill, N.C.

## Prominent Public Servant Dies

A prominent citizen and the Chairman of North Carolina Board of Water and Air Resources died in a Burgaw Hospital Tuesday. Mr. J. Vivian Whitfield, 74, of Wallace had served several years as a member of the State General Assembly before being appointed to the Water and Air Resources Board. Mr. Whitfield had represented Pender County in the House of Representatives and in the state Senate, and was acclaimed a dedicated servant and outstanding leader. He was a native of Seven Springs, N.C. and lived in Wallace for many years. Funeral services were conducted in the Wallace Baptist Church Wednesday at 2:30 by the Rev. L. W. E. Whitlock and Rev. J. G. Morrison. Burial followed in Rockfish Memorial Cemetery. Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Vivian Bartlett Whitfield; a son, John S. Whitfield of Wallace and two grandchildren.

## Sheffield Brothers Presented Eagle Scout Awards

In an impressive ceremony in the Warsaw Presbyterian Church on Sunday, November 17, Stephen Patrick Sheffield, sixteen year old son, and David Graham Sheffield, fifteen year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles J. Sheffield were awarded the coveted Eagle Scout awards. The presentation was made during the regular morning church service which was conducted by the Reverend J. Don Skinner, Pastor. A lovely arrangement consisting of red carnations, white and blue mums, and greenery adorned the center table. The flowers were given in the memory of Mr. B.C. Sheffield, Sr. and Mrs. Patrick M. Herring, Sr. by Mr. and Mrs. Charles J. Sheffield. On a table in the vestibule through which the boys entered was a Boy Scout

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Scouts single file to take their places in the reserved section. The Color Guard was composed of Douglass Jones, Bobby Lane, and Billy Faust, Jr. After the Color Guard posted the American flag, Bill Faust, Scout Master, led the congregation in the Pledge of Allegiance to the American flag. Tom Deaton, District Scout Executive, gave an informative talk on what it means to be a Boy Scout and what it can mean to a boy to be a Boy Scout. He explained the various ranks a Scout must attain as he progresses toward his cherished goal -- to become an Eagle Scout. Twelve Scouts bearing white candles represented the Twelve Scout Laws during the ceremony. These Scouts were Robert Price, Lindsey Clark, Nathan Costin, Jr., Whit Jones, Paul Dixon, Allen Bostic, "Chip" Ausley, Steve Draughan, Kenny Minshew, Marshall Phillips, Michael Rivenbark, and Ronald Sheffield, brother of Steve and David Sheffield. Eagle Escorts, Charles Johnson Sheffield, Jr. and Bernard Cleveland Sheffield, III, led Stephen Patrick Sheffield and David

## Reynolds Receives Good Citizen Award

At a recent meeting of the Battle of Rockfish Chapter of the Daughter of American Revolution two outstanding high school students were presented awards for winner in the Good Citizen's contest. Miss Judy Reynolds of Kenansville senior at James Kenan High School, and Miss Barbara Finch, senior at Wallace-Rose Hill High School received the awards. These girls were chosen by their fellow classmates as candidates to receive this honor, and from the three girls selected from each school the faculty chooses the school's Good Citizen. Judy is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Reynolds of

Kenansville. The awards were presented at the regular meeting of the DAR's held in the home of Mrs. C.B. Penny of Wallace. Mrs. H.C. Turner, Regent, presided over the business session. Mrs. W.B. Jones, chairman of the Good Citizen's committee presented the awards. Her mother, Mrs. Reynolds, planned her daughter with the Good Citizen pin.

## Duplin Development Comm. Honors Rose Hill Industry

Robert F. Kornegay takes great pleasure in announcing that Home Federal Savings will celebrate the opening of its new Warsaw office Monday, November 25th, from 9:00 A.M. to 9:00 P.M. The official opening will take place at 9:00 A.M. with a ribbon cutting by Congressman David Henderson and Mayor J. Edward Strickland. The public is invited, according to Vice President and Manager Kornegay. There will be refreshments and gifts for everyone. Visitors will have an opportunity to enter the "HOUSE OF MONEY" contest for prizes, including a Lawn Flite Riding Lawnmower, GE Porta Color TV and a Huffy bicycle. The contest will run through December 20th. Depositors opening new accounts or adding to existing accounts of \$100 or more will also receive a Beacon Thermal Blanket, free. Located at the corner of Hill and Pine Streets, (U.S. 117), Home Federal's new office building will provide all the

que encribed with appreciation for his part in securing a building for plant location. Mr. D.J. Fussell, Sr., explained operations and introduced the plant personnel which included: Mr. Hubert Bryant and Robert Norris, cutting department; Mr. Marvin Yasser, shipping; Mrs. Dean Thomas, office manager; Mrs. Vadie McLamb, plant manager; Mr. Hy Kaplan, advisor; and Mr. Bert Felton, a plant partner and a member of board of directors. Mr. Fussell also explained that the plant now has 57 employees with the expectation of doubling this number early in the new year. Products created in the plant in the various stages from cutting to the finished product were on display. The present operation is children's outer wear. Rose Hill Textiles is another example of the steady growth industry has enjoyed in Duplin under the direction of Mr. P.B. Ralford. More than 130 guests enjoyed the barbecue dinner catered by Rose Hill Restaurant. Among the guest recognized were: Mr. Street Richardson, Carolina Telephone; Mr. W.V. (Bill) Coley, Director of Industrial Development for Carolina Power & Light; Mr. George Gould, Department of Conservation and Development; Mr. Carl Price of James Sprunt Institute; Mayor Tommy Baker, Wallace; Mayor Ben Harrel, Rose Hill; members of the Duplin County Board of Commissioners and the news media.

## Soil And Water Supervisor Election

Pursuant to North Carolina General Statute 139-6 as amended by Chapter 815 of the 1963 Session Laws, an election will be held in Duplin County on December 9, 1968, to elect one supervisor for the Duplin Soil and Water Conservation District for a three-year term beginning January 6, 1969. All qualified voters residing in the county will be eligible to vote in this election. Candidates for this office are Calvin R. Mercer, RFD, Beulaville, N. C. and Robert Ray Thomas, RFD, Beulaville. POLLING PLACES WILL BE LOCATED AT: Lewis Mercer Store, Beulaville; James Miller Hardware, Beulaville; Duplin Supply Company, War-

Branch Bank Declares Dividend WILSON, N.C.: Directors of Branch Banking and Trust Company have declared a regular quarterly dividend of \$.25 per share and, in addition, have voted a special year end dividend of \$.20 per share payable on December 18 to stockholders of record December 1. Total dividends for the year will amount to \$1.20 per share as compared with \$1.05 in 1967. The year's total paid to shareholders will be \$1,197,800, the largest amount in the bank's history. Branch Banking and Trust Company, North Carolina's Oldest Bank, now operates 48 offices in 32 cities and towns.

erawson Store, Wallace; Rose Hill Hardware, Rose Hill; ASCS Office, Kenansville; Wadsworth Grocery, Magnolia; Wallace FCX, Wallace; M. L. Lanier Store, Chinquapin; Clyde Stephens Store, Mt. Olive; Outlaw's Bridge, Albemarle; Myer's Store, Beaufort; Walter Hinson's Store, Sumnerlin's Crossroads; Robert Jackson, Scott's Store; Clyde Pettit, Rt. 1, Mt. Olive; Ike Houston Store, Rt. 2, Pink Hill; Coy Smith Store, Albemarle; Duplin Trading Co., Warsaw; Pritchett 66 Station, Faison. Published by the Duplin Soil and Water Conservation District. CALVIN R. MERCER, Chr.

Belk - Tyler Grand Opening Belk Tyler's beautiful new store on the corner of West Main and South Chestnut Streets in Mount Olive will open at 10 o'clock Thursday morning. This announcement was made by Mr. Paul Eason, manager of the store since their opening here nearly 18 years ago. Mr. Eason came to the Mount Olive store from Elizabeth City where he had been associated with the department store there. Mr. Lonnie Rackley, a native of Mount Olive, is assistant manager of the store. The tremendous growth enjoyed by the Belk Tyler Store since its location in Mount Olive nearly a decade ago has exceeded expectations of the officials. The new structure is located on property owned by the late Dr. J.W. Wilkins. The adjoining J.A. Davis home place was acquired to provide a parking lot. An additional parking lot is located on the south side of the store building.

## Law Enforcement Association Elects Officers

The Duplin County Law Enforcement Association has elected Ted Evans of Beulaville as president for the coming year. Other officers elected were: Alfred Basden, Beulaville, vice pres.; Steve Williamson, Kenansville, Secretary and treasurer. Chief Perry Smith of Warsaw was re-elected custodian of the grounds and the club house. About 40 members attended the regular dinner meeting on Monday night of this week.

Library Open House Open house will be observed at the Chinquapin School Library in Chinquapin Friday morning Nov. 22 at 8 p.m. Principal George Frank Landon has extended an invitation to all school patrons and friends to attend.

## Rambowood Open House

Rambowood Country Club will hold open house Monday, November 25 from 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. according to an announcement by Wilbur Hanes, Jr., President. Rambowood, located near Beulaville and Pine Hill is one of the finest recreational facilities in the area. All facilities are scheduled to be completed, ready for official opening on December 1st. Mr. Ed Brown has been employed at 1968. He has a well rounded pro staff complete with all types of golf equipment. Many activities are scheduled for the winter season.

## NOTICE TRANSCRIBING DEADLINE

All news must be in the Duplin Times Office by Monday, November 25, 11:00 a.m. for this week's Edition. THANK YOU

## Commissioners

Duplin County Commissioners met with County and State Civil Defense personnel Monday. Representatives from all towns in the county were present to hear informative talks by the Civil Defense officials. A bid of \$2,350 was let to Cottles Repair Service of Warsaw for heating and air conditioning the old Welfare Building. This building is being renovated to provide additional office space for the county. Representatives from all towns in the county were present when "front-foot value" of real estate in towns was presented and accepted as established by the Southern Appraisal Company. This valuation schedule was adopted by the board. Highway officials discussed with board members the closing of a road at the north end of Oakes Wholesale Building, and crossing road on west side of Warsaw Coast Line Railroad a mile to a new crossing. The railroad has

## Konop Home Donated

An area TV station announced Tuesday that Mr. James G. Konop of Atlanta has donated the Konop home in Wilmington to Wilmington College to be used as the President's Home.

## Ramsey Heads Federation

A giant step toward unifying all segments of the poultry industry was taken at a meeting in Charlotte over the weekend. A \$60 a plate fund raising banquet was held for the newly organized North Carolina Poultry Federation. Mr. Dennis Ramsey of Rose Hill is President of the Federation and Marvin Johnson and Bryon Hawkins are vice presidents. Special guest at the banquet included the Lt. Gov. and Mrs. Pat Taylor, Comm. of Agr. and Mrs. Jim Graham and Miss Gayle Sloan of Chinquapin, the reigning North Carolina Poultry Princess.

## Belk - Tyler Grand Opening

PAUL EASON MANAGER



LONGNIE RACKLEY ASSISTANT MANAGER These fine shopping facilities are an asset to the city of Mount Olive and to the surrounding area.