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Twenty-one children from over a wide area of Eastern Duplin County were guest of National Spinning Company, Inc. of Warsaw on a Christmas shopping "spree." These children were

National Spinning Played Santa Claus

National Spinning Company played Santa Claus for twenty-one underprivileged children on a Christmas trip, an annual event with the Warsaw, Ind., plant. As a result of this trip, thirteen company representatives now have better understanding of the REAL meaning of Christmas.

Children from the area, and more specifically, Magnolia, Kenansville, Warsaw and Sumner's Cross Roads, were invited to the shopping "spree." Ages of the youngsters ranged from 3 to 12. Picked up at their homes, they were transported to the plant where they were assigned a sponsor, some one to take care of in-

cidental-like transportation and paying the bills of the trip. In Warsaw the children were allowed to choose the store where they shopped. The "toy store" was the favorite of the younger children, while the teenagers were more interested in clothing and possible cosmetics.

Upon entering the store the officials from National Spinning took a cart or basket to keep up with the purchases made by the children. While no exact amount was specified, each child was allowed from \$10 to \$15 to spend as he or she chose.

Upon selection of 3 or 4 items, eyes getting larger with each purchase, it was hard for the children to understand that there was still selections to be made and in some instances, it took urging to get the youngsters to continue shopping.

Some of the plant officials designated for their first "shopping trip" with the company had misgivings and were frankly unimpressed. They felt that they had been handed a boring chore of glorified baby sitting. What a treat was in store for those men! It proved to be the very best part of Christmas for them.

One official reported that he had probably spent more money than was allocated for him, but he said he would gladly pay the difference out of his own pocket. His protégé, after spending about \$5 said "If I go home with any more stuff my daddy will be mad."

Officials from National Spinning accompanying the children were Freddie Bell, general manager; Francis Oakley, personnel director; Warren Cressy, Fred Archer; Earl Bell, Jimmy English, Tom Hoffman, Charles Lockamy, Hubert Merritt, Charlie Mizelle, Victor Ownby, Don Suttles, and Jimmy Rich.



Mr. Earl Bell beams approval on his pleasant task of assisting these youngsters with their "Christmas Shopping." Their trip was arranged

and financed by National Spinning Company Inc. of Warsaw and is just one of the many worthwhile causes they participate in.

Church Break - In Attributed To Goat

Break-ins are pretty routine with Deputy Jernigan and his co-workers BUT NOT THIS ONE.

Deputy Sheriff Glenn Jernigan answered a call to a break-in in Albertson Township last Friday morning.

Jernigan immediately went to the scene of the crime, the Church of Later Day Saints, Albertson, where the glass from the upper section of a door had reportedly been broken.

A side door had been broken, apparently to gain entry into the church. Inside a close check of the entire structure revealed everything in place, apparently nothing had been broken at all. Shattered glass at the door bore evidence of hair, probably animal hair.

An outside search of the grounds revealed no further clues.

Jernigan questioned a neighbor, Terry Potter, young son of Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Potter about the church break-in. Terry wasn't able to help much because he had no idea who had broken into the church. He said he would do such things as help with the search of the grounds. He did not know who had broken in.

turbed the family dog. Just like all good watch dogs, the Potter dog gave chase and the goat, ran. Choosing the shortest distance between two points, he chose a straight line which led to the side door of the church. He apparently recognized the lower part of the wood door as such, but the glass

upper provided no barrier, at least visibly. The church, a symbol of safety and refuge for mankind was recognized as such by the goat and inside he went. Terry had observed the whole episode. He went and turned the goat out of the church and forgot the whole business.

Officials Report Quiet Holiday

Officials at the local sheriff's department reported a relatively quiet holiday season with no major violences, but plenty of run of the mill nuisances. In the more unusual category, a rash of firecracker explosions in rural mail boxes did occur. While reports of this federal offense came from throughout the county, most reports came from the Rose Hill and Mount Olive area according to Deputy Rodney Thigpen who is investigating.

Most of the property stolen from the logging site of G.H. Ray, Rt. 4, Mount Olive, has been recovered.

Deputy Thigpen said three teenagers ranging in age from 15 to 18 have been charged with larceny and have been held in jail in January 13 term.

of District Court, Magistrate W.J. Sitterton of Kenansville set bond for each youth at \$200. Charged with stealing 10 gallons of motor oil, 20 gallons of gasoline, a 5 gallon can of transmission oil, and three gallons of antifreeze were: Melvin Anderson, Rt. 4, Mount Olive; Tojo Herring, and Ray Cruise both of Rt. 2, Mount Olive.

Deputy Sheriff Glenn Jernigan said that Leon Jessup, 22, colored male of Warsaw has been charged on two counts of forgery and is in the county jail in Kenansville awaiting trial at the January 30 term of Superior Court.

Jessup is charged with forging two checks, each in the amount of \$6 on Judge Henry L. Stevens, Jr.

Civil Suit Filed In Wayne Following Duplin Wreck

The estate of a passenger killed in a one car accident has filed a civil suit for \$93,500 against the estate of the driver, who was also killed.

Linda Price, administratrix of the estate of Marlon McDonald Price has filed the suit in Wayne Superior Court against Patricia O. Outlaw, administratrix of the estate of Larry James Outlaw. The plaintiff claims her inestate died at 23 years of age as the result of negligence on the part of the defendant's inestate.

Both men died Sept. 8 when Outlaw's car overturned several times and struck trees along rural paved road 1500 in Duplin County, known as the tram road.

Seasons Greetings

May 1969 be filled with a full measure of happiness for you and your family. Thanks for your friendly favors, good will.

Tax Listing Underway In Duplin

Listing of 1969 County Taxes began January 1, 1969. All property, real and personal, polls and dogs not exempt are required to be listed during the month of January.

The township list takers and assessors will be at the following places during January to list and assess 1969 taxes:

Albertson Township: Mrs. Susie Smith, List Taker - Jan. 2, Harry Stroud's Store; Jan. 4 and 25, Coy Smith's Store; Jan. 7 and 23, Marvin Stroud's Store; Jan. 8 and 21, Paul Lee's Store; Jan. 11 and 30, Robert Grady's Store; Jan. 15, Mrs. Nethercutt's Store; Jan. 18, Carl Ray Price's Store. All other dates at home of Mrs. Susie Smith except Jan. 9.

Cypress Creek Township: Elmo Maready and Denver Sholar, List Takers -- Jan. 2, Mrs. Minnie Hines' Store; Jan. 4 and 18, Lloyd Andrews' Store; Jan. 7, Pin Hook; Jan. 9, M.L. Lanier's Store; Jan. 11 and 13, Billie Brinkley's Store; Jan. 15, Ray Lanier's Store; Jan. 18, Richard Padrick's Store; Jan. 21, Carl Heath's Store; Jan. 24, Jack J. Lanier's Store; Jan. 29, Fountaintown Area. All other dates - Elmo Maready's Store.

Falson Township: Mrs. Eunice Falson and Paul Grice, List Takers -- Jan. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, at Falson Town Hall; Jan. 13, 14, 15, 17, 17, 18, Calypso Town Hall.

Glisson Township: Carl W. Kornegay, List Taker -- Jan. 4, L.H. Whitfield's Store; Jan. 1, 6, 13, 20 and 27, W.E. Walker's Store; Jan. 3 and 18, D.D. Herring's Store; Jan. 8 and 31, Outlaw's Grill; Jan. 15, 22, and 29, R.E. "Hoody" Jackson's Store; Jan. 7, Mrs. Paul Grady's Store; Jan. 2, Charlie Blizard's Store; Jan. 10, Joe Westbrook's Store; Jan. 17, Mrs. E.R. Dall's Store; Jan. 24, Lehman Grady's Store. All other dates at home of Carl Kornegay.

Island Creek Township: Mrs. Lila Mae Teachey, Mrs. Naomi Carr, Mrs. Verda Wells, List Takers -- All days during January at Town Hall in Wallace. Due to the extra number of books and supplies to be moved and the lack of space in other places, and due to the fact that most citizens come to Wallace, and it being considered that it is more convenient to list at the Town Hall in Wallace for all citizens, no tax listing dates are being advertised for other places than at the Town Hall in Wallace for Island Creek Township.

Kenansville Township: Mrs. Myrtle Quinn, Mrs. Linda Sutton, List Takers -- All days during January except Saturday

afternoons at the Courthouse. Limestone Township: Mrs. Emil Thigpen, Mrs. Pauline B. Hunter, List Takers -- Jan. 1, Linster Futrell's Store; Jan. 2, Padrick's Grocery; Jan. 6, Paul Southerland's Store; Jan. 7, Bill Everton's Store; Jan. 8, Delbert Batts' Store; Jan. 9, Ellis Turner's Store (Potters Hill); Jan. 3, 4, 10, 11, 14-31, Beulaville Town Hall, Saturdays 8:30 to 12 noon - Other days 8:30 to 4:30; Jan. 13, Janck Lanier's Store.

Magnolia Township: J.N. Horne, List Taker - Jan. 7, 14, 21, and 28, Brice's Filling Station; All other times during January, Magnolia Town Hall. Rockfish Township: Mrs. Anna Johnson Bryant, List Taker -- Jan. 4, 10, 11, 17, 18, 24, 26, 31, Community Building; All other days at home of Mrs. Anna Johnson Bryant.

Rose Hill Township: Mrs. C.T. Fussell, Jr., Mrs. June B. Robinson, List Takers -- All days during January except Saturday afternoons at Town Hall.

Smith Township: Mrs. Veachie T. Smith, List Taker -- Jan. 2, K.P. Williams' Store; Jan. 7, Riley Raynor's Store; Jan. 10, Leslie Kennedy's Store; Jan. 13, Lewis Mercer's Store; Jan. 16, Raleigh Kennedy's Store; Jan. 21, Gardner Houston's Store; Jan. 23, Ike Houston's Store; Jan. 27, Lew Sutton's Store; Jan. 29, Houston Howard's Store; At the home of Mrs. Veachie T. Smith all other days through Saturdays.

Warsaw Township: Mrs. Sallie B. Huie, Mrs. Rachel F. Baars, List Takers -- During the month of January at the Old Branch Bank Building each day from 9:00 until 5:00 except on Saturday 9:00 until 12:00 except on Saturday 9:00 until 12:00.

Wolfscape Township: Mrs. Ruby F. Whitfield, Mrs. Thelma Holland, List Takers -- Jan. 8, Oak Ridge Community Building; All other days during January, Rones Chapel Community Building.

Farmers will be prepared to give report on 1968 crops. Penalty for late listing will begin February 1, 1969. List your taxes early and avoid the last minute rush.

NOTICE!

EAST DUPLIN Panther Fans are urged to attend a meeting for the entire school district at the East Duplin High Thursday Night January, 2, 1969. This is an organizational meeting for Basketball.

Duplin General's First '69 Baby



The first arrival at Duplin General Hospital for the year 1969 was little Ralph Bernard Hall, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Hall of Magnolia, Rt. 1. Ralph arrived at 2:27 A.M., January 1. The proud grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Graham of Rt. 1, Magnolia and Mr. and Mrs. Owen Wright Hall of Chinquapin.

Chicken Feed Larceny Charged

Four Duplin County men are out on bond, and a fifth man is wanted on a larceny charge involving chicken feed.

Ernest Lee Byrd, 18, white male of Rt. 1, Rose Hill has

been charged on five separate counts of larceny. He is under bond for appearance at the January 8 term of District Court. Franklin (alias Man) Stroud, about 40 of Rt. 1, Rose Hill has not been apprehended but is wanted on five charges also. Thurman Franklin Evans, Jr., 20, and Walter Usher, 17 both of Rt. 1, Rose Hill and David Cole, 20 of Wallace have each been charged with one occasion of larceny and bond was set by Magistrate W.J. Sitterton for appearance in January 8 term of District Court.

According to information from Deputy Jack Albertson, investigating officer, Byrd had been employed to tend a chicken house for Lee Sheffield of Rose Hill. The broilers were produced on a feed conversion plan and when the broilers were sold late last year with prices up, the house of chickens showed a substantial loss. Sheffield became suspicious.

Deputy Albertson investigated and evidence indicated that part of the bulk feed delivered to the farm during the months of October and November was bagged and sold instead of converted into broilers.

Investigation in the case is continuing.

Car Thieves Busy

NEW YORK—Car thieves have become peskier than ever in recent years, the Insurance Information Institute observes. Since 1949, the number of automobiles registered has more than doubled, but the number stolen has more than quadrupled — from 163,000 to 655,000.

Mills Promoted To FHA Supervisor

James M. Mills, Jr. for the past three years assistant county supervisor, has been named FHA Supervisor for Duplin County.

Mills replaces John M. Soles who has been promoted to Real Estate Loan Officer with headquarters in Raleigh.

A Wallace native, Mills is a 1962 graduate of North Carolina State University, Raleigh. He was employed by Four County Electric in Burgaw before going with FHA in March 1965. He received his training in Robertson County.

Mrs. Mills is the former Judy Matthews of Harrells. They have two daughters, Jennifer, age 7 and Susan is one and one half. Former residents of Kenansville. They now reside on highway 41 west of Wallace.

Mills is taking supervision of one of the most outstanding FHA counties caseload wise, in the entire state, with some 600 families involved.

He will be assisted in this operation by Mr. H. Bruce Butler, assistant county supervisor, Mrs. Grace McNeill, office clerk; Miss Sandra K. Brock, assistant office clerk. No assistant has been named to fill the vacancy created by Mills' promotion.

F.H.A. has been a determining factor in many of the major improvements enjoyed by Duplin County in recent years. It was approved of a loan to finance a country club for gentlemen farmers in Duplin that



Congratulations are in order for John M. Soles. Mills has been named FHA County Supervisor for Duplin replacing Soles who has

been named Real Estate Loan Officer with headquarters in Raleigh. (Photo by Ruth Wells)

drew fire from the news media, far and near, just a few years ago. Among less controversial loans was that to Southeastern Farmers Grain Association in Warsaw. More recent FHA backing has gone to Rambleswood

Country Club to serve the eastern part of the county, specifically Beulaville and Pink Hill. An additional storage capacity of 520,000 bushels of grain for Southeastern Grainery; approval of loan for water system for

Chinquapin Community, and many other outstanding improvements in the county.

Mills will continue to live in Wallace while Soles will be moving to Raleigh as soon as suitable housing is available.