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## Briefs

### Warsaw Receives Grant

Mayor Ed Strickland of Warsaw has been advised by telegram from David Henderson that approval has been given an urban planning grant of \$12,789. To help pay for comprehensive planning of the town of Warsaw. Funds will be paid through the North Carolina Department of Conservation and Development. A more detailed explanation is expected from Chairman of the planning committee, John A. Johnson, next week.

### First Aid Course

The B.F. Grady Health Program will sponsor another First Aid Class beginning Friday, Feb. 21 at 2:30. Any person interested in taking this course is urged to be present at this first meeting.

### NOTICE

"Mr. Fred I. Walston, local Revenue Collector for the North Carolina Department of Revenue advises that personnel to assist in the filing of State Income and tangible tax returns will be available on Tuesday of each week until April 15, 1968. Persons desiring assistance in filing their returns are requested to contact the office which is located at the court house in Kenansville. Office hours are 8:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Mr. Walston requests that taxpayers bring with them the pre-addressed forms which were mailed to them from Raleigh. Completed returns should be mailed directly to North Carolina Department of Revenue Raleigh, North Carolina."

### Credit Bank Names V P

Weldon S. Hunter  
The Federal Intermediate Credit Bank of Columbia has announced promotion of two executives, Clatus W. S. Horn and Weldon S. Hunter, to the office of assistant vice president.

Horn is a native of Union County and is now principal attorney and assistant vice president.

Hunter who formerly served as credit analyst, is a Chicagoan, and is now principal attorney there. He is a graduate of Atlantic Christian College, Wilson, where he received a bachelor of science degree in business administration.

He joined the Credit Bank in 1964 as a credit analyst.

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# LOCAL GROCERS TO VISIT SOUTH AMERICA

Quinn Wholesale Co. of Warsaw is again sponsoring an overseas convention for outstanding grocers supplied by this nationally recognized firm. An overseas jaunt has become an annual affair and is in planning for a full year by the travel department of the Quinn Co. This year the group heads south - all the way south to South America.

This annual overseas convention is devoted to fun and a study of the latest trends in modern grocery selling. As in

the past no trips can be bought. They are awarded free by the Quinn Co. to the grocery store operator, and his wife, who has shown outstanding growth and progress, and made a significant contribution to his community.

Millford Quinn, President of Quinn Wholesale Co., has just returned from South America where he made final arrangements for the groups activity. The 165 guests will depart from Raleigh aboard their chartered jetliner for the showplace of South America-Venezuela!

At Caracas' Maquetia Airport they will be met by the travel staff and taken to their home for the next week, The Majestic Maculito Sheraton Hotel, rated one of the worlds finest luxury resorts.

The weeks festivities begin with a welcome reception followed by dinner, dancing, and entertainment at the very popular "La Sirena".

Breakfast will be at leisure each day in any of the hotels restaurants or on the guests private balcony overlooking the tropical ocean.

Banquets, parties, dancing, and entertainment is planned nightly. The days will be spent sightseeing, exploring the inland villages, shopping, and luncheons at famous cafes. An all day trip is planned to the village of Tovar, a settlement built in the exact likeness of the Colonists Home in Bavaria. Time will not permit the six day trek to Angels Falls but tours are available to fly over them and view the "Lost World" of La Gran Sabana. For the sport-minded, facilities will be provided for golf, deep sea

fishing, tennis, sailing, and water skiing. Spectator sports such as bullfighting and racing are available.

A highlight of the trip will be dancing and dining at the unique Humbolt Hotel, located 7,000 feet above sea level on the summit of Mt. Avila. Guests will ascend to the hotel in daylight and return to the ground at night in cable cars, allowing them to view the spectacle of the Caracas Skyline and Seashore in sunlit and shadow.

The group will be out of the country from Wednesday, March 12, thru Tuesday, March 18.

Quinn Wholesale Co. has announced the winners of this fabulous trip from this area are:

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Brinson-Brinsons Super Market, Warsaw.  
Mr. and Mrs. Edward Wilson-Wilson IGA Stores-Warsaw, Burgaw, Rocky Point, Wilmington.  
Mr. and Mrs. Allen Williams - Piggly Wiggly Store - Wallace.  
Mr. and Mrs. Leo Jackson-Jacksons Supermarket - Kenansville.

## Cedar Fork TALENT SHOW

4-H Clubs, and the Ruritan Club.

Vocal artist include Mrs. Edward L. Boyette, County Chairman of the Heart Fund, Miss Pam Albertson, son of Charles Albertson of The Crackerjacks and lovely Sylvia Thigpen.

Of special interest will be impersonations of such famous characters as Tiny Tim and Fats Domino. It was even suggested that Santa might make a surprise appearance.

Gayle Sloan  
Cedar Fork Community is going all out in support of the Heart Fund for 1968.

A talent show will be held at the Cedar Fork Community Building on Friday night February 21 at 7:00 o'clock p. m.

Among the celebrities at the show will be Miss North Carolina Poultry Princess, Gayle Sloan of Chinoquin and Miss Veteran 1968, Johnny Thomas of Beaufort.

Equally as talented if not as photogenic will be local bands including The Crackerjacks, The Alley Cats, and The Kings.

Many civic organizations in the area will participate including Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts,

## Ambulance Doubles As Patty Wagon

Glenn Jernigan, a member of the Faison Rescue Squad was called to the scene of a wreck one mile West of Faison on rural paved road 403 Friday night. Jernigan was wearing white coveralls over his regular uniform.

As it turned out, no one at the scene of the wreck was more than slightly injured, and ambulance service was not needed until . . .

A thrill-seeker at the scene of the wreck was arrested for carrying a concealed weapon. The arrest was made by Jernigan who is also a deputy with the Duplin County Sheriff's Department.

The ambulance was used to transport James Darden, 34, colored male Rt. 2 Faison to Magistrate C. A. Precythe's office where he was bound over to February 24th term of District Court in Kenansville.

## Youths Sentenced Breaking - Entering Charged

Three Wallace youths have been sentenced on a charge of non felonious breaking and entering of R & R Wholesale Grocery in Wallace on the night of December 31, 1968.

Detective R.E. Rich of the Wallace Police Department charged that Robert Glenn (Bobby) Walker, 17, white male, Rt. 1, Jimmy Matthews of Cumberland Street, and Wesley Stalling, 17, white male of Rt. 1, did break and enter, take steal and carry away one air cleaner for a car, one pint of corn liquor, one Old Hickory knife, and approximately \$25 in money.

Matthews was ordered by District Court Judge Paul Crumpler to pay court costs and was placed under supervision of probation officer for one year and was furthered ordered to not change residence without written permission of the probation officer.

Walker and Stallings who had two other breaking and entering charges consolidated for judgment, were each given 18 months suspended, and were placed under supervision of probation officer for a period of four years.

They were each ordered to attend school regularly until they finished high school or were gainfully employed, make restitution in the amount of \$206.75 and cost and ordered to change residence only with written consent of the probation officer.

Walker and Stallings were convicted of breaking, entering and taking from N & W Grocery, also of Wallace on January 9 the following articles: 39 boxes of shot gun shells; 2 carton of 22 rifle shot; 8 Waltham wrist watches; one two-cell flash light; one hand spot light; and one half case of Campbell's Soup.

Again on January 16 Walker and Stallings broke into and entered N & W Grocery and carried away one case of chem-

ical used to control suckers on tobacco, valued at \$19.20

Among other sentences handed out by Judge Crumpler were: David James Rivenbark, 48, white male charged with drunken driving but plead careless and reckless was sentenced to 6 months, suspended two years under supervision of probation officer, \$50 fine and cost.

Rivenbark was also ordered by Judge Crumpler to attend Alcoholic Anonymous meetings in Clinton each Monday night for sixty days.

Charles L. Moore, 18 negro male of Box 78, Faison, was ordered to pay a fine of \$50, and cost, and was placed under supervision of probation officer for two years for larceny of gasoline from Charles F. Cates & Sons, Faison.

Elbert Ray Boone, 44, white male, plead guilty to driving drunk, prayer for judgment was continued on condition he pay \$100 fine and cost and be placed under probation for two years.



Boone McNeill Reported Missing

Mr. and Mrs. A. Walker McNeill of Warsaw have been notified by the United States Air Force that their son Clarence L. "Boone" McNeill has been reported missing in action in Southeast Asia.

Boone was onboard an EC-47 Aircraft that departed Pleiku Air Base on an operational mission on February 5. The aircraft failed to make a scheduled operations stop that afternoon and the last known radio contact with the aircraft was at 8:10 that morning.

Extensive search in the area was conducted despite dense jungle canopy, and the presence of hostile forces. Search was suspended on February 13 when no sign of wreckage or debris had been sighted.

Boone is a popular 1966 graduate of James Kenan High School where he was a member of the Beta Club, track team, also played base ball and football. He is an active member of the First Baptist Church of Warsaw.

His outgoing personality made many friends for him here and at EUC Greenville and in the Air Force which he joined in 1966. His duties and dedication to duties were described by Major Philip D. Carlson USAF "his duties at Detachment 2 of the 694th Security Squadron, Pleiku Air Base consist of visual and electronic warfare reconnaissance in support of Allied Forces in the Central Highlands of South Vietnam. His deep concern and dedication to the mission prescribed by our national policies is well attested to by his friends, co-workers and myself. His professional ability is unquestioned".

Boone has a brother 2nd Lt. Dan McNeill who is now stationed at Fort Bragg.

## Duplin County Commissioners Report

Duplin County Commissioners Monday approved the County's participation in an experimental Nutritional Aide program sponsored by the Federal Government.

V. H. Reynolds, Chairman Agricultural Service, said the program would operate from the extension office where the extension agent in charge of nutrition would train and direct the activities of the Aides. This educational program would provide trained personnel to

work with low income families. Each aide would work with approximately twenty five families allowing personal supervision to provide best nutrition from resources available.

The program will operate under the Federal Extension Service, a part of the United States Department of Agriculture.

In further action, the commissioners approved payment of \$340, to the Neuse River Economic Development Commission. This is Duplin's re-

maining share of the budget for law enforcement planning with the commission. A suggested name change for the Commission to the Neuse River Regional Planning and Development Commission, was endorsed by the board.

Aid to the blind was granted in two new cases.

On-premises beer license were issued to Dorson Lee Creech of Wallace, doing business as Tom's Recreation Center.

Officials of the State Highway Department King and Robinson met with the board to discuss roads throughout the county.

Reports were heard from various agencies in the county including a report from Vernon R. Reynolds, chairman of Agricultural Extension Service who announced that the Agricultural income in Duplin County in 1968 was up more than \$4 million over the previous year.

# AGRICULTURAL INCOME CONTINUES TO RISE

By Vernon H. Reynolds  
County Extension Chairman

The estimated Duplin County gross agricultural income in 1968 was \$71,714,172. This was an increase of nearly \$4,800,000 over the 1967 income of \$67,283,558. Duplin County continues to lead all other North Carolina counties in agricultural income.

Total income from crops in

1968 was \$23,722,526 for a drop of nearly \$3,000,000 under the 1967 crop income of \$26,687,694. The dry weather last summer was responsible for the loss in income from crops. In 1968 tobacco was grown on 11,704 acres and produced 22,715,861 pounds, which sold for \$15,787,528. In 1967 tobacco was grown on 12,863 acres and produced 28,488,150 pounds. Even though tobacco production was off

more than 5,000,000 pounds in 1968, the tobacco income was only off about three-fourths of a million dollars, because of approximately 1.05% per pound higher average for the 1968 crop.

Income from corn sold in 1968 was \$3,745,000 compared to \$5,405,000 in 1967. 1968 corn yield dropped to 75 bushels per acre compared to 1967 corn yield of 105 bushels per acre.

Soybeans were grown on 26,000 acres of land in 1968 and produced an average of only 15 bushels per acre and sold for \$1,029,000, while the 1967 soybean crop brought \$1,235,000.

Total livestock and poultry income in Duplin County in 1968 was \$44,045,000 for a 7,000,000 increase over the 1967 poultry and livestock income of \$37,048,184. Poultry, including broilers, turkeys, and laying hens

produced an income in 1968 of \$37,041,000 compared to \$30,533,184 in 1967. The poultry income came from 38,000,000 head of broilers, 3,000,000 head of turkeys, and 950,000 laying hens (commercial eggs and hatching eggs.)

Income from swine in 1968 was \$5,825,000 which came from 125,000 swine sold for slaughter, and 25,000 feeder pigs

sold. This was an increase of nearly one-half million dollars over the 1967 swine income of \$5,170,000.

Forestry income was \$2,100,000 in 1968 which was the same as the 1967 income.

Government payments to farmers in 1968 was \$1,846,546 or an increase of over \$400,000 more than the 1967 payments of \$1,427,690.

## Price Named Magistrate For Rose Hill

H. M. Price of Rose Hill has been appointed to serve as a Magistrate for the Rose Hill area by Superior Court Judge Samuel Brantley of Clinton. The Magistrate system is now being instituted in this area in December 1968.

Price has been a resident of Rose Hill for many years and was previously associated with the Rose Hill Community Center as an active member of the Rose Hill Community Club. He is also active in the area of business administration.

## Mill Swamp Homemakers

Homemakers of the Mill Swamp Community met Wednesday, February 12, at the Ruritan's temporary clubhouse and organized an Extension Homemakers Club. Mrs. Mae H. Spicer, Home Economic Agent, met with the group to explain the organizational structure of Extension Homemakers Clubs.

"Community spirit is very high in Mill Swamp," reported Mrs. Spicer. "The homemakers are interested in improving their homes and community."

The executive board of the newly organized group is in the process of appointing committees in Beautification, Housing and Home Furnishings, Food and Nutrition, Education, Citizenship, Family Relations, Health, Home Management, International, Music, Safety and Youth.



Newly elected officers of the Mill Swamp Extension Homemakers Club are left to right: Mrs. Eppy Mays, Vice President; Mrs. Mary Lee Raynor, Treasurer; Mrs. Joan R. Elston, President; and Mrs. E. W. Wrenn, Secretary.

## Coins Taken In Daylight Robbery

A bold and brazen daylight robbery in the northern part of Duplin County on Tuesday February 18 netted the robber or robbers an undetermined amount of silver coins.

A money safe in the home of Mr. and Mrs. G.V. Orton, Rt. 1, Mt. Olive in the Devers Mill section, was ripped open and a large amount of coins, ranging from Indian head Pennies to Silver Dollars were taken from the safe, and the rest of the house was described by Deputy Rodney Thigpen as "completely ransacked".

A corner of a glass panel the upper section of the back door was broken out, allowing the door to be easily opened from the inside. Both Mr. and Mrs. Orton are employed in Goldsboro. Mr. Orton left for work about 6:30 a.m. while Mrs. Orton left about an hour later.

Mrs. Orton became ill during the afternoon and returned home early to find the br-

## Fussell Joins Farm Bureau

We are proud to announce DAVID G. FUSSELL as Agent for Duplin County Farm Bureau the N.C. Farm Bureau Mutual Insurance Company, and Southern Farm Bureau Life Insurance Company. He will also represent N.C. Blue Cross and Blue Shield, Inc. to farm Bureau Members.

David is a native of Duplin County and is married to the former Ann Carr of Wallace, North Carolina. They have one son, Dave.

David is a graduate of East Carolina College with a Bachelor of Science degree in 1963-1967, he also received a year

## Election Plans

Plans for municipal election got underway at the regular meeting of the Town Board in Kenansville Monday night.

The board unanimously adopted May 6th as the day for the election of a mayor and all town commissioners.

Preston Holmes, town clerk was designated registrar and judges of the election will be