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Briefs

Grand Contest

The Duplin Federation, Future Farmers of America held a grand contest on October 8, 1969 at 3:30 PM at East Duplin High School. The results were as follows: 1st place—Jennings Outlaw, East Duplin; 2nd place—Vandall Faison, North Duplin; 3rd place—Lee Howard, Charley; 4th place—Nathaniel Aulman, E. E. Smith; and 5th place—Ronnie Brown, Wallace, Rose Hill.

Ground Breaking

WILSON: A Ground Breaking Ceremony will be held on the site of the new Home Office Building of Branch Banking and Trust Company in Wilson at noon on October 15.

Governor Robert W. Scott will be present and will participate in the Ceremony which marks the beginning of the bank's new seven story building.

Warsaw Jaycees

At the weekly meeting of the Warsaw Jaycees, the Jaycees voted as a group to support the annexation in Warsaw.

Dr. Noel Ansley, member of the Town Board, met with the Jaycees and discussed the annexation with them.

Raid

Warsaw policemen Raymond Stark and Jim Mayo obtained a search warrant from Magistrate Perry Smith at 12:30 a. m. on Sunday October 12. The premises of Harry Vann were searched and the officers confiscated seven gallons of non tax paid whiskey and seventeen cans of tax paid beer. Vann was given a hearing before Magistrate Smith and was bound over to District Court in Duplin County.

Warsaw Man Shot

Mrs. Evelyn Hill Smith - Colored female approximately 25 of East John Street, Warsaw has been charged with assault with a deadly weapon with intent to kill following a shooting at her home about 11:30 a. m. Monday October 13. Hospitalized at Duplin General Hospital with a bullet wound in his leg and a second wound in his shoulder is Claude Smith, also of Warsaw.

Officers said that Mrs. Smith told them that Smith was attempting to enter her home. She warned him not to enter and when the first shot failed to stop him, she belted him with a bullet in the left shoulder.

Bond has been posted for \$1,000 for appearance at the November 3 term of Superior Court in Duplin County.

Forgery Charged

Annie Bell Carr, 25, Rt. 1 Box 71, Willard, a negro female has been charged in five separate warrants with forgery. She has been released under \$500 bond for appearance in Superior Court in Duplin County November 3, 1969.

Among the checks listed in the charges were \$125 drawn on the First National Bank and Trust Company made payable to Sarah Carr with the forged signature of Anna Mae Faison, with intent to defraud Wallace Hardware Company. A check in the amount of \$75 drawn on First Citizens Bank made payable to Annie Bell Carr contained the forged signature of J. D. Johnson and was intended to defraud Western Auto Store. A check in the amount of \$75 made payable to Sarah Carr with the forged signature of Carr was intended to defraud Western Auto Store. A check in the amount of \$75 made payable to Sarah Carr with the forged signature of Carr was intended to defraud Western Auto Store.

Major Donald F. Gaylor Commanding Officer

SEYMOUR JOHNSON AFB, N.C., Oct. 2 -- A native of Magnolia, N.C., and a graduate of East Carolina University has become commander of the 88th Bomb Wing's missile maintenance squadron at Seymour Johnson AFB.

Maj. Donald F. Gaylor has taken command of the 88th Airborne Missile Maintenance Squadron. The unit maintains the AGM-28B Hound Dog Missile and the ADM-20C Quail Missile. Major Gaylor, who served as the chief of the Eighth Air Force Training Capabilities Division, Westover AFB, Mass., prior to his new position, was born in Magnolia, Jan. 15, 1931. He was graduated from Magnolia High School in 1949 and from East Carolina University in 1953 with a Bachelor of Science Degree in political science.

After completing Reserve Officer's Training Corps (ROTC) training at ECU, he entered the Air Force as a second lieutenant in August 1953.

Prior to becoming a member of the 88th Bomb Wing in September, the major spent two years at Westover AFB. He has attended both the Air Force Squadron Officer's School and the Air Force Command and Staff College. In 1964, he earned his Master of Science Degree in public administration from George Washington University, Washington, D.C.

A member of the Strategic Air Command during his entire career, the major has served as a navigator in both the B-52 Stratofortress and the KC-135 Stratotanker. He holds the Air Force Commendation Medal with three Oak Leaf Clusters.

Major Gaylor, who has been selected for promotion to lieutenant colonel during the present Air Force promotion cycle, is married to the former Miss Wilma Lehman of Huntsville, Tex. They are the parents of two boys - Henry, 12, and Mike, 8.



Major Donald F. Gaylor

Mayor Proclaims Veterans Day

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, The eleventh day of November has been designated as Veterans Day and has been declared a legal holiday;

WHEREAS, The men and women who served in the uniform of our country have made a major contribution not only to the preservation of America's freedom but also toward the attainment and preservation of freedom throughout the world; and

WHEREAS, The gallant Americans serving in today's armed forces continue to demonstrate the beautiful willingness of our Nation to meet the challenge of those forces wishing to defeat through armed conflict the cause of individual determination; and

WHEREAS, The Nation and the free world are eternally grateful for the contributions of American veterans to the advancement of the cause of

an honorable world peace;

THEREFORE, I, J. E. Strickland, Mayor of the Town of Warsaw, do hereby call upon all citizens to observe Tuesday, November 11, 1969, as VETERANS DAY, and ask that the day be observed with appropriate ceremonies in honor of those who have borne the burden in defense of our freedom.

I further call upon all citizens and business firms to mark this day with the proud display of the flag of the United States as a reaffirmation of our national unity, a rededication of our support to our Nation in her defense of the cause of freedom, and, especially, our recognition and appreciation of our newest generation of veterans whose willingness to serve the national purpose is in the finest tradition of our great Nation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand

and caused to be affixed the official seal of the Town of Warsaw, this sixteenth day of October, 1969.

J. E. Strickland
Mayor

Veterans Day Plans

Additional plans for festivities for Veterans Day Celebration in Warsaw have been announced.

Judges for the Miss Vet Pageant are Major and Mrs. Donald Gaylor of Seymour Johnson Air Force Base in Goldsboro; Robert Craft, photographer of Warsaw; Olive and Mrs. Betty Phillips Leak, A Warsaw girl who was a former Miss Strawberry Queen and Miss Vet.

Entries into the pageant thus far are: Suzanne Southard, Chinquapin; Barbara Jewel Summerlin, Warsaw; Mary Robin Johnson, Harrells; Laurie Gresham, Warsaw; Rebecca Pope, Magnolia; Sharon

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Tar Heel Fine Arts Presents Bonus

Joseph Wallace King, Winston-Salem Artist who recently completed the first portrait of President Richard M. Nixon, will appear in the Kenansville Elementary School Auditorium at 8:00 P. M. on Tuesday, November 18, 1969. This program will be presented as a bonus attraction for all 1969-70 season ticket holders to the Tar Heel Fine Arts Society concert series.

King, internationally known as an artist and also noted for his wit, has had special exhibi-

tions in Italy and France. He exhibits regularly at the Hammer Galleries in New York and his shows are always sell-outs. In art circles, Mr. King is known as Vinciata, a name he took from a castle in Florence. He is also widely known as a ventriloquist and is highly sought at a lecturer by such diverse groups as PTA's, art societies, political groups as well as by well-heeled patrons of Parisian salons.

King's portrait of the Presi-

dent is the first commissioned portrait to be painted of Mr. Nixon since he became President. It hangs now in the Law School at Duke University.

Each season ticket holder to the 1969-70 Tar Heel Fine Arts Concert series will be admitted free to this attraction. In addition, each ticket holder will be allowed to bring two guests free of charge. Others who wish to attend may be admitted for the regular admission fee of \$2.00 for adults and \$1.00 for children.



MR. ROLAND L. ROY

Named Assistant Superintendent Of Schools

The Duplin County Board of Education has recently added a new member to its administrative staff - Mr. Roland L. Roy formerly of Cary, North Carolina. Mr. Roy was previously employed as a state supervisor in the Vocational-Technical Division of the Department of Community Colleges in Raleigh. In his present position he will serve as Assistant Superintendent of Schools. His major area of concern will be occupational education.

Mr. Roy, who has been in industry for eighteen years comes to Duplin County with an extensive knowledge of occupational education. His academic education is broad and comprehensive.

He studied at the University of New Hampshire, Lowell Technological Institute, received his B. S. Degree in business administration from Atlantic Christian College. His Masters and Doctoral studies have been in industrial and technical education and adult education at North Carolina State University.

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Warsaw Rotary

William Costin, 4-H leader in Duplin County, was guest speaker at the weekly meeting of the Warsaw Rotary club last week.

Mr. Costin stated that there were 9,000 boys and girls between the ages 9 and 19 in Duplin County, and that 4-H, Scouts and other organizations were only reaching about 1,000 of these youths. Therefore, Mr. Costin stated that 4-H needs the support of Duplin County.

Leslie Hall, 10 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Hall, gave a project demonstration on growing potatoes.

Other guest at the meeting were: Marshall Sheppard, with the department of Commerce and Industry, Raleigh and Howard Hill.

Citizens For Better Schools Meet—Yelverton Victim Of Circumstances

Approximately one hundred persons attended the "Duplin County Citizens For Better School" meeting at the County Courthouse Tuesday night.

The spot on the program designated "Well Chosen Words" was used by President James Oreglia to warn the group that fear is paralyzing American Citizens and that communism is steadily infiltrating the American way of life. He urged the group to think, and to make decisions for themselves.

During the business session a count showed 1,697 names on a petition now circulating in the county for the removal of school superintendent Charles H. Yelverton, who they allege did close school and arrange busing in violation of laws, and was unable to balance funds and other failures. Circulation of the petition is expected to be completed by the next scheduled meeting.

A statement was made in the meeting that "the superintendent is probably a victim

of circumstances but should be removed to show that we mean business."

Yelverton, said that he is aware of a petition to oust him from office.

He said the charges made in the petition being circulated by the group pretains to action taken by the Duplin County School Board and not Yelverton personally.

"I do not make decisions governing the schools. I present facts and possibilities to the Board of Education who makes all the decisions governing the school," said Yelverton. The petitions says in part: "During the summer of 1969 in direct violation to North Carolina Public School law.... he closed schools and arranged busing...."

Yelverton said the Duplin County Board of Education was under court order to create a "unified" school system. The order was handed down by Federal Judge Algerion Butler. The plans were ordered to be

in court hands by August 1, 1969. The court order superceded a previous plan accepted by the Department of Health, Education and Welfare (HEW).

Open meetings were held in every school community. The board considered several alternate plans and finally after much discussion and deliberation decided on the plan now in use.

This plan included the closing of Branch School, Teachey School, P. E. Williams and Warsaw Elementary School. Branch and Teachey were negro schools. The plan which seems to be working very smoothly in the county, complies with the court order as well as the civil rights law.

A further charge in the petition says "during the 1968-69 school year Mr. Yelverton was unable to balance county funds appropriated for janitorial and maid services with the county schools". Since these wages

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Duplin County Development Commission Endorses

LOCAL 1¢ SALES TAX

The Duplin County Development Commission unanimously went on record to support the passage of the Local Optional Sales Tax Tuesday.

On November 4, an election will be held on the question of levying a 1% sales tax in this county. On the same date voters in all 100 counties will vote on the same question.

If a majority of the voters in this county approve, a 1% county-wide sales tax will be levied effective March 1, 1970, on all sales now subject to

the State sales tax. Counties which fail to approve this local tax will not share in the revenue.

The tax will be collected by the State and 1/2 the revenue collected in this county will be returned to the county and its municipalities. The remainder of the revenue will be "pooled" with 1/2 the revenue collected in all taxing counties and allocated to this and other taxing counties and the municipalities therein on the basis of population.

The Commission feels that this local tax will: relieve the mounting tax burden on the property owner; more equitably distribute the rising cost of local government among all citizens who benefit from local services; provide needed revenue to improve fire, school recreation, hospital and other services.

The Commission urges the citizens of Duplin County to vote in favor of this tax on November 4.



Rose Hill Police Chief Elton Taylor, second from left, with the Rose Hill Auxiliary Police force left to right: Melvin Dixon,

Burnell Sasser--Taylor--Junior Williams, Dallas Jones, Joe Littleton, and Joe Casteen. Absent when picture was made was Bo Rouse.

R-H Auxiliary Police Force

Rose Hill's Auxiliary police force was on duty for the first time at the North Carolina Poultry Jubilee held recently in Rose Hill.

Police Chief Elton Taylor, formerly of Cary has recently been employed to replace chief Benny Matthews, who resigned to enter private business.

Chief Taylor said that he was more than pleased with the cooperation of the auxiliary force. He also expressed sur-

prise at the spirit of cooperation that existed between all the law enforcement agencies in the county, especially commending the sheriff's department and the state highway patrol.

Members of the Auxiliary force are: Melvin Dixon, Bo Rouse, Joe Casteen, Joe Littleton, Burnell Sasser, Junior Williams, and Dallas Jones.

These men while fully employed, have taken their own time which might have been

spent in relaxation, and have completed a course of instruction at James Sprunt Institute. They are continuing their study by meeting one night per week in Rose Hill.

Uniforms are furnished by the town but the only compensation received by the seven men is the fact, that in case of an emergency the citizens of Rose Hill have, not two, but sixteen "long arms of the law" for their protection.

Burial Services For McNeill

Burial services for Sergeant Clarence L. (Boone) McNeill of Warsaw, will be held in Saint Louis, Missouri on November 14. Boone will be buried with the nine other service men who perished with him.

Boone was reported missing in action as of February 5, 1968. This was officially changed October 1, 1968 to killed in action.

Calypso Gets Grant - Loan

Congressman David N. Henderson has announced that the Economic Development Administration has approved a grant of \$75,000 and a loan of \$50,000 to the Town of Calypso to help expand its community water system and thereby increase its potential for industrial growth.

The EDA funds will cover the total cost of the project which is \$125,000. The \$50 thousand loan is repayable in 22 years at an annual interest

rate of 5 3/4 percent. The grant includes a \$12,500 bonus because Duplin County is participating in the long range planning program of the multi-county Neuse River Economic Development District.

Henderson expressed the belief that the project would greatly enhance Calypso's growth potential and that it would enable Calypso to have an adequate water system which it could not have obtained without such assistance.