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Swain Appointed To 4-H Board

Sharon Swain, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert W. Swain of Warsaw, was recently appointed to the Board of Directors of the N.C. 4-H Honor Club. W. E. Wilson, president of the organization, made the appointment at the annual state conference in Reidsville.

The membership of the N.C. 4-H Honor Club is comprised of the top 1/4% of the total 4-H population in North Carolina. Miss Swain was chosen for lifetime membership in the organization because of her outstanding 4-H career. She served as president of the southeastern district, was state winner in foods and nutrition, and received numerous other county and district awards.

As a member of the board of directors, Miss Swain will be representing a 13-county area which covers the southeast portion of the state.

Dr. Scott Named Assistant Supt.

Dr. Alice Smith Scott of Albertson was hired by the Board of Education last week as assistant superintendent in charge of vocational programs in the school system.

Dr. Scott received her Ph.D. from the University of North Carolina at Greensboro. She received her bachelor of science degree from East Carolina and her master's from UNC-G.

Dr. Scott succeeds Lloyd Stevens who retired June 30. The position pays \$20,796 per year.

She has been a consulting dietician with Guardian Care in Kinston. She has taught nutrition education training programs on a part-time basis at Pembroke and at UNC-W. She also held the position of professor and chairman of the department of food, nutrition, and institutional management at ECU from 1969 to 1977, when she resigned to return to Duplin County.

Pink Hill Couple Faces Drug Charges

A husband and wife, Garland Boyd Conrad, 63, and Nell Babb Conrad, 60, of Route 1, Pink Hill, were arrested Wednesday night by Sheriff's officers on marijuana charges.

Each faces charges of growing and manufacturing marijuana and to sell and deliver a controlled substance. They were released on their own recognizance.



The lunch line was long...but no one seemed to mind

Kenansville School Reunion Day

Handshakes, hugs, and phrases like "You look the same as you did years ago," and "Wait, let me think," were the protocol as over 1,000 persons returned home for the Kenansville Reunion on Saturday, July 7th.

Chairman Amos Brinson said, "The idea for a school reunion came about last summer after several local funerals. After seeing so many people return home, -- ones we normally don't see -- we got to thinking, why not have a get-together on a happier note. Thus the idea of the reunion was born."

The reunion started as a school reunion, commemorating 52 years of the Kenansville Elementary School, but soon it came to be known as the Kenansville Reunion.

The big day started with registration, which was, ac-



Class of 1927

ording to one returnee, more like a two-hour get re-acquainted session. Everyone received a name tag, which frequently got more stares than the person wearing it. Soon the name tags and the wearer's identity came into focus, after which many "Do you remember" tales were told and retold.

After dinner, A. Dixon Wood, minister and former teacher, gave the invocation. A welcome from Mayor Doug Judge and Principal (1947-1979) Z. W. Frazelle followed.

Willis Brown, Class of 1947, responded with some do-you-remember anecdotes. Brown asked if anyone remembered about: gas leaks reported by several school bus drivers; getting caught

smoking under the school building; being punished by shoveling coal; or calling Mr. Frazelle "Mr. Frizzell," etc.

Reverend Lauren Sharpe was introduced as the speaker. Sharpe spoke on "This Community We Call Home."

"Not too many years ago," Sharpe said, "I had a decision to make. Where was I going to live and where was

I going to raise our children? I have a place I'm proud to call home, and have people and also a school that I'm proud of."

Amos Brinson, organizer of the event, recognized Ann Craft, Elma Gray Bostic, and Margaret Williams as the coordinating committee responsible for the success of the reunion.

Jimmy Wagstaff, a member of the class of 1950, was given a \$25 check for traveling the furthest distance, from Sacramento, California. He returned the check to be applied to the school's Bronze Plaque Fund.

Mrs. Faison McGowan, summed up the feelings of many by saying, "Today must be like dying and going to Heaven -- seeing all those you haven't seen in such a long time."



A happy reunion

Truckers Block Faison Produce Auction Market

According to independent truck drivers, a move to take away a 25-cents-per-package increase in hauling rate by some brokers or shippers at the Faison Produce Auction Market Friday brought on a blockade for several hours.

Trucks were moving late Friday night and a large infusion of state and local law enforcement personnel was removed after several hours of tension.

Independent truckers claimed some brokers were refusing them the 25-cent increase that had been authorized last week.

About 3 p.m. Friday, the truckers blocked off a produce shed preventing entry or egress of rigs. The highway patrol and Sheriff's officers opened a traffic lane. No violence was recorded, although words were offered by truckers over what they considered an effort to cut

their rates. Allen Fountain of Warsaw, an independent trucker, said the 25 cents means about \$350 to a load going to New

York. He said the normal load would pay about \$1,700. He charged that company truckers were hauling for as low as \$1,300.

The 25-cent rate increase was apparently granted again by about 8:30 p.m. as trucks began to roll. The new rate is \$1.25 per package to

New York. According to the Market News Service, peppers were about steady in the Sampson-Duplin area and cucumber shipments sharply declining. On Thursday, July 5, FOB prices, shipping point basis from packing houses, large bell pepper were \$5.50 to \$6

and medium size mostly \$5 for shipments, and movement was on a more normal schedule.

Chamber Of Commerce Council To Clean Up Eastern N.C.

The new Eastern North Carolina Chamber of Commerce will coordinate an extensive effort to clean up Eastern North Carolina next April.

The project was announced by the chairman of the Chamber's community development Council, Paul A. Brewer of Warsaw.

Brewer said he hoped every local Chamber of Commerce in the region, every rural and urban organization, and the extension agents in each county would pitch in to help. "Those of us who live in

the East love the region and think it's wonderful," Brewer pointed out. "But those who come to visit us for the first time see a different image," he said. "They see deserted shacks, unpainted barns, unkempt property, and littered roadsides."

Brewer said in cleaning up for the visitors, the effort would also make the East a better place for everyone who lives in the region.

Brewer said his council is now preparing materials to be distributed all across the East during the next several months. "We want every man, woman, and child in Eastern North Carolina to be aware of this effort," he said.

Plans call for the project leaders to try to get rural property owners to demolish deserted buildings on their lands. "We'll even try to get them some help from volunteer manpower if we need to do that," he pointed out. He said he hopes every paint brush in the East will be busy during April as the clean-up effort gets into full swing.

"We want to have every

piece of litter along the roads picked up and we want Eastern North Carolinians to stop littering the place," he pointed out.

Sign Language Skills Interpreters Needed

A need for interpreters to assist individuals with hearing impairments exists in North Carolina. The N.C. Council for the Hearing Impaired is composing a list of available individuals in Eastern North Carolina with

sign language skills and who are willing to be used as interpreters. Currently, there is no one with such skills available in Duplin County. If anyone has such a skill, or has knowledge of

anyone with such skills, please contact Lethco Wrenn with Vocational Rehabilitation Services in Kenansville at 296-1851, or write to P.O. Box 425-A, Kenansville, NC 28349.

ference in the rural scene in New England and that in Eastern North Carolina that a little cleaning up and a little painting can't eliminate," Brewer commented.