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## Former Deputy Williams Sues Over Arrest

George Williams, a former deputy sheriff, has filed a civil suit in Superior Court against R.J. Whaley, A.K.A. Whaley and Greta Jean Whaley asking \$350,000 in compensatory damages and \$1.5 million in punitive damages.

The action arises out of charges of larceny placed against Williams by the Whaleys in May, while Williams was a deputy sheriff. Williams was found guilty in District Court and has appealed that case to Superior Court. It is scheduled to be heard next month.

Williams was charged with taking a radio power booster

and a bracket from Buck Whaley's store on May 5 and May 9. The Sheriff's Department was called May 9. Williams offered payment of \$25, which he said was accepted by the Whaleys.

Williams claimed he took the items while working on

his own as an undercover agent. In his civil suit, Williams alleges Sheriff T. E. Revelle had been trying to remove him from his post because, he alleges, the sheriff feared he was gaining too much political power. He

alleges the subsequent SBI probe of the matter was not impartial. He alleges the sheriff convinced the Whaleys to make the criminal complaint to destroy his credibility and thereby eliminate his political influence.

## Wrenn Assumes Waccamaw Position

Carey D. Wrenn has been named assistant vice president of the Kenansville branch of Waccamaw Bank and Trust Company according to senior vice president and Kenansville city executive Phil Kretsch. Wrenn, who joined Waccamaw in 1975, has assumed the position previously held by assistant vice president Bill Sutton. Sutton has been named vice president and city executive for the Newton Grove branch of another UCB affiliate, Cape Fear Bank and Trust opening later this summer.

Wrenn is a native of Louisburg where he has served as a loan officer of that branch since early in 1977. He is a graduate of N.C.S.U. and is enrolled in the Carolina School of Banking at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

Wrenn presently serves as treasurer of the IngleSide Lions Club, as a member of the Louisburg Chamber of Commerce, and serves in several capacities at Trinity United Methodist Church of Louisburg.



Carey D. Wrenn

His wife is the former Donna Shelley of Tabor City, and they are the parents of an infant son, Clyde Douglas. The Wrenns have relocated to the Kenansville area.

Waccamaw Bank and Trust Company presently serves its customers through 45 locations over southeastern North Carolina. It is a member of United Carolina Bancshares, the state's sixth largest financial institution. Plans have been announced to merge two UCB affiliates, Cape Fear and Capitol National Banks with Waccamaw later this summer. The bank's name will then be changed to United Carolina Bank-East.

## Clark Appointed To Traffic Safety

Speaker of the House Carl J. Steward, Jr., of Gastonia, appointed Representative Douglas A. Clark of Duplin County to the N.C. Traffic Safety Authority to study the State's traffic problems and decide what can be done to improve existing programs and what new programs may be implemented to alleviate the problems.

Clark served this past session of the General Assembly as a member of the Agriculture Committee, Education Committee, Election Laws Committee, Finance Committee,

Highway Committee and Wildlife Committee.

Clark's appointment as a member of the Traffic Safety Authority will commence immediately and will continue until June 30, 1981.

## WEEKEND TRAFFIC FATALITY

James F. Harper, 30, of Albemarle, was killed Saturday morning near Kinston when his motorcycle struck a car head-on.

ATTENDED ELECTRIC CONGRESS - Duplin County 4-H members Wanda Batts of Route 2, Warsaw, and Karen Kornegay of Warsaw, were delegates to the State 4-H Electric Congress at the University of North Carolina at Charlotte July 9-11. Mrs. Arthenia Hall, 4-H leader, (left)

## One Dead

# Trucks Collide Head On

An apparent refusal by a motorist to allow a truck to pass him on the highway resulted in a fatal head-on crash last Tuesday morning west of Chinquapin, according to the state highway patrol.

Leslie Foy, 45, of Route 2, Willard, driver of a Maola milk truck, was killed.

Jerry Kenneth Blythe, 27, of Trenton, who was driving

a tractor-trailer gravel truck eastward on N.C. 41, was injured. The accident occurred in the driveway of Lanier's Store, about a mile east of the N.C. 41-50 junction near Chinquapin.

State Highway Patrolman Steven P. McCorquodale said a search is on for a vehicle reported by a witness to have refused to allow the gravel truck to pass. He said

the witness reported the driver of the vehicle accelerated when Blythe attempted to pass and then slowed down to prevent the truck from re-entering the right-hand traffic lane. Approaching a curve, McCorquodale said in his report, Blythe apparently saw the oncoming milk truck and attempted to get out of its way by turning into the

store driveway. He said Foy apparently had the same thought at the same time, and the trucks crashed head-on in the store driveway. The officer said the milk truck cab was crushed.

Blythe was admitted to Duplin General. His condition was not described as serious.

No charges have been filed, pending results of the investigation, the officer said.

## Wallace Budget Approved

The Wallace Board of Commissioners adopted a budget of \$1,948,706.93 for the 1979-80 fiscal year Thursday night.

The new budget is an increase of \$400,000 from last year's appropriation of \$1,541,814.95. The budget provides \$706,586.74 for the

general fund.

Included in the general fund is the appropriation for the police department, \$222,872; street department, \$131,950, and sanitation, \$100,159. Also financed from the general fund are pest control, public works garage, tax collections, administration and public building maintenance.

Of the general fund total, \$249,000 will come from the city ad valorem tax of 59 cents per \$100 assessed valuation.

Reserves will provide \$107,329 for the general fund. Revenue sharing money will add \$87,500 to the general fund. Other general fund income sources are \$70,000 from refuse collection, \$76,000 from franchise taxes and \$50,000 from local sales tax refund. The remainder of the general fund income will come from other sources.

The budget also includes \$200,000 for completion of the current phase of the Clement Street Park, \$22,000 for the waste treatment collection system and \$209,910 for future expansion and renovation of the waste treatment plant.

The payroll for the town employees has been set at \$480,891. This includes a 5 percent across-the-board pay increase and a 2 percent set-aside for merit increases.

The budget allows \$116,435 for utilities. The budget also allows \$35,100 for gasoline, tires and oil for town equipment and \$59,018 for equipment maintenance.

## Gurganus Named Industrial Director



The Board of Commissioners voted unanimously at

their regular session July 2 to hire John H. Gurganus as Industrial Director of Duplin County.

Gurganus was recommended to the Board by Harry Oswald, chairman of the Industrial Development Commission. He said members of the commission voted unanimously June 15 to recommend Gurganus as director.

## GRAND OPENING

According to owner George West, West Construction and Building Supply Co., Inc. will have a grand opening on Saturday, July 21st at their new facilities on Hwy. 24 east of Warsaw. Ribbon Cutting by Miss Duplin County, Tina Brewer, will be held at 10 a.m. The public is invited.



WE ARE FAMILY - Another of the several families in this year's production of THE LIBERTY CART is the Doug Clark family. Doug, a member of the North Carolina House of Representatives, is in his fourth season with THE LIBERTY CART. If there is such a thing as perfect casting, when it comes to Doug's part, it is close to perfect. He plays the part of a politician. Besides acting, he can be found greeting people, giving programs and handing out seat cushions, or anything else that needs to be done. Why isn't he on stage? Well, his scene isn't until the second act. His wife, Sue, has a large amount of acting experience besides

THE LIBERTY CART. She has acted in productions of the Goldsboro Neighborhood Playhouse, the University of North Carolina at Wilmington, and the Kinston Dinner Theatre. Besides acting, Sue enjoys reading, collecting antiques, and politics. Also, she is a counselor at James Sprunt Institute. This is her third year with THE LIBERTY CART. Come see and meet the Clark family in THE LIBERTY CART every Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday nights at 8:30 p.m. through August 5. For additional information write: THE LIBERTY CART, P.O. Box 470, Kenansville, NC 28349.