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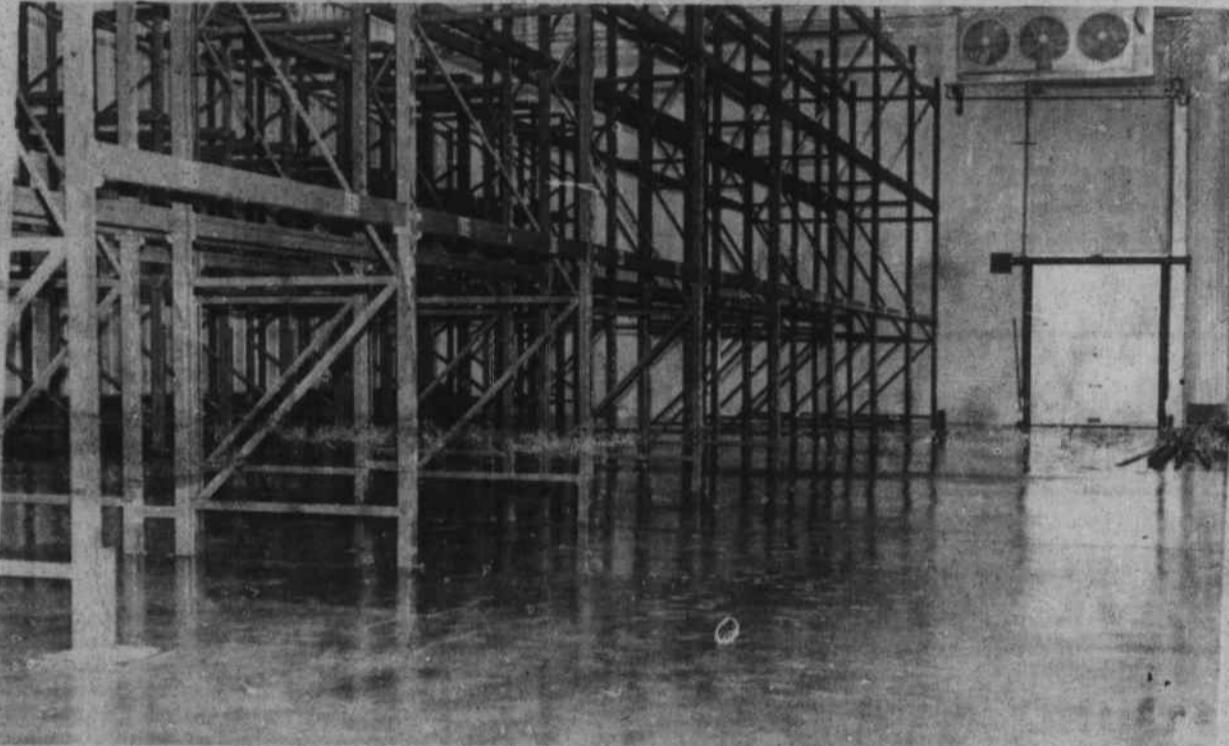
PROGRESS SENTINEL

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GERALD QUINN, vice president of the Quinn Company, expressed that the new produce section will enable the company to better serve the requests and demands of the

produce program. He is pictured above in front of the recently added facility. Exterior facelift is all that remains to be done.



PRODUCE FACILITIES - Pictured above is a portion of the new produce facilities at the Quinn Company. This room will house fruits and vegetables at 35° with a high humidity. An adjoining room will provide storage for dry

produce such as potatoes, onions, etc. at a temperature of 55°. The first shipments are scheduled to leave Warsaw on May 18.

Quinn Company Expansion Produce Storage Warehouse Added

By Joni Nethercutt

"Our retailers needed a better source of supply for quality produce," said Gerald Quinn, vice-president of the Quinn Company in Warsaw. "The first shipment will be on May 18."

That is the reason for the extensive remodeling and renovation to the existing warehouse facilities that began last year.

The additional facilities expands the Quinn Company's capacity to include fruits and vegetables with 20,000 sq. ft. of temperature and humidity con-

trolled space for produce storage. The Quinn Company is one of the major food distributors in the Southeastern United States with over \$100 million in annual sales.

Gerald Quinn stated that this new produce section is to provide better service to present customers, but the company is also hoping to acquire new customers through this most recent project.

There were extensive interior changes which included new walls for the storage facilities. There was also exterior alterations and

expansion that included a mansard frame and overhang across the warehouse front with four additional loading docks. "All that remains to be done is some external face-lifting," said Quinn.

According to Gerald Quinn, the company will begin with 150-175 items. "That is considerably more than stores around here carry now," he said. Quinn added that the company will be receiving produce from Florida, the West Coast, as well as some local produce.

The completed project is expected to create 12 new jobs that will be filled from

within the company, said Quinn, and those positions likewise will be filled. Only one person will probably be hired, he added.

The Quinn Company began in the 1930s as a small retail store in Beulaville by T.R. Quinn, father of Milford, I.J. and Gerald Quinn, who currently own and manage the business. The business moved to Warsaw in 1943 and then to its present location in 1947.

With this most recent addition, Quinn Company continues a company of growth and progress, with more projects planned for the future.

Schools To Lose Slots For Teachers, Aides

Duplin County will lose four teacher and 34 teacher aide positions for the next school year due to cutbacks in federal funds, the board of education learned last week.

The county will lose about \$250,000 in grants from Title I and the migrant program of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act, according to Anne Jackson, director of these programs in Duplin County.

The county will be allocated \$892,000 from the Title I program and \$92,000 for

the migrant program. The county received \$117,000 for the migrant program for the current school. It received \$1,107,000 for the Title I program for the current school year, she said.

She said all teacher aide positions will be eliminated to reduce the cutback in teacher positions. The county will be allocated 37 teacher positions in the Title I program and four in the migrant program for the next school year.

The Title I program pro-

vides special help for educationally disadvantaged pupils in reading in grades 4-12 and in mathematics in grades 7-9.

Thirty high school seniors elected to take college credit courses at James Sprunt Technical College last fall in addition to their high school work. The board was informed 15 students are completing the year's program successfully. Assistant Superintendent Gary Sanderson said most of these students also are taking the

advanced English course in their high schools for college credit.

The board accepted a resolution from the Duplin Agri-business Council calling for use of the old Kenansville Elementary School as a countywide convention, meeting and product display center, together with office space for county non-profit promotional organizations. Roy Houston of Kenansville, secretary of the council, made the presentation.

Kenansville Board Ok's Beer Ordinance

At its meeting last week, the Kenansville town board banned off-premises beer sales on Sundays.

The ordinance becomes effective immediately if it is found to be legal.

The action results from problems at the city park on Sunday afternoons.

Police Officer Edward Quinn told the board he arrested nine persons at the park on Sunday. "We can't control the situation there," he said. "Most of the violators are from out of the county," he added.

The board also agreed to pay the Kenansville Volunteer Fire Department \$100 a month rent for use of a portion of its building for the city hall.

It confirmed its order of two weeks ago to Duplin General Hospital to remove a mobile home illegally parked on hospital grounds. One of the two mobile units was "grandfathered in" when the town zoning ordinance prohibited such units in this area. That one unit was illegally parked came to light when Hospital Administrator Richard Harrell asked per-

mission to move them to a location behind the hospital. Monday night Harrell told the board the hospital wanted to drop its request to move the units. They are used by emergency medical staff members serving the hospital on weekends.

Town Commissioner Earl Hatcher, who is also a hospital board member, commented, "I'm not going to make anybody happy with this, but if the trailer's there illegally, someone else could park one illegally too if we left it alone, so let's get rid of it."

Commissioner Jimmy Johnson said he believed the hospital could still make use of the illegally parked trailer if it moved the unit to a trailer park.

Steve Williams requested permission to develop a mobile home park on a two-acre lot he owns near the new Kenansville Elementary School on the east side of the city. He was directed to discuss the plan with Planning Board Chairman George Penney. Following that meeting, the board indicated it would hear Penney's recommendation.



PORTRAIT PRESENTED - Mrs. Eva Kilpatrick presented a portrait of her late husband, David J. Kilpatrick, to Duplin General Hospital on April 21. David John Kilpatrick, a Duplin County native and father of seven, served as chairman of the board and was instrumental in acquiring the intensive coronary unit at Duplin General. "He loved the hospital and took a lot of interest in the people of Duplin County. He worked hard to get the

cardiac unit for them," said Eva Kilpatrick. Duplin General was accredited during Kilpatrick's term as chairman. It was a "major accomplishment" to get the ICU, remarked Richard Harrell, administrator at Duplin General. David Kilpatrick served on several committees at the hospital, was president of Kilpatrick Farms, Inc., president of Duplin County Farm Bureau, and was a member of the State Farm Bureau.

Duplin Agriculture Extension Advisory Program Update Held

Around 150 people were up early last Monday morning to attend the Duplin County Agricultural Extension leadership system program update breakfast held at 7:30 a.m. at Brown's Restaurant in Kenansville.

Jimmy Sauls Jr., chairman of the advisory council, presided.

Mrs. Violette Phillips, vice chairman, introduced the different committees and persons that makes up the Duplin Agricultural Extension advisory leadership system.

The program update reports were as follows:

Agriculture
Joe Williams reported on livestock. "Our year's highlight was a series of livestock/grain market and futures meetings that were held," stated Williams.



Jimmy Sauls

Home Economics
A tape was played from

Keith Beavers told the group about the Young Farmers program. Beavers said that there were now about 250 Young Farmers on the mailing list. According to Beavers, the program is

designed to help the Young Farmers in the county get to know each other and exchange ideas. "A farm tour is also planned for June," stated Beavers.

Joel Coleman reported on some selective farm monitoring of poultry pest control. Waitus Cowan reported on poultry, and loss of houses due to the snow. Cowan said that one-half of the income in Duplin County comes from poultry.

J. Michael Moore told the group that on-farm demonstrations were the best teaching tool today for farmers. "I commend those who serve on advisory committees and with your help we can progress together," stated Moore.

Mrs. J.B. Stroud, program committee chairman, Mrs. Stroud said that the Extension Homemakers priorities in 1980 focused on the family's fight toward inflation in the home. Mrs. Maggie Miller of Warsaw



Dr. Paul Dew

and Mrs. Cleora Jones of Beulaville gave examples of how their families were fighting inflation.

Community Resource Development

Roy Houston, program committee chairman, cited the Duplin Agri-Business Council organized in 1980 as the committee's update highlight. According to Houston, the sponsorship of Farm-City Week at JSTC with over 60 displays was very successful. Houston also indicated that the committee was looking toward the possibility of a Duplin County fair.

Four-H

Mrs. Robert Worthington, program committee chairman, told the group about the expanding county 4-H

program. A new 4-H program on fire prevention was recapped by Milo Pickett.

Chief of Chingapin Fire Department, Pickett explained how the program worked for the 200 4-H'ers and volunteer firemen who participated.

Mrs. Worthington introduced Roxanne Pearsall as a product of the 1980 4-H program. Roxanne, a member of the DECA 4-H Club, gave her junior public speaking winning speech.

"Duplin really has a good Extension Service," stated Congressman Charles Whitley. "The budget for Agricultural Extension in Duplin is faring well because of the leadership in the county," continued Whitley. "Just your participation in the program will do you a lot of

good." Whitley concluded by extending an invitation for anyone to ask for his help.

Representative Doug Clark was called on for his comments. "The first committee I asked for was the agriculture committee," stated Clark. "Duplin County is number one in cash receipts on agriculture. I'm working for you and will be introducing bills on snow insurance and grain dealer bankruptcy," concluded Clark.

Dr. Paul Dew of the state Extension office, said that there were 14,000 people involved in the agricultural advisory system in the 100 counties in North Carolina. He cited the federal relationship, state relationship, county board of commissioners and the "tremendous

staff in Duplin" as the reason for a very successful Agricultural Extension Advisory Leadership System.

Escapees Recaptured

Two men serving sentences for felonious breaking and entering escaped Sunday afternoon from the prison unit near Kenansville but were recaptured Sunday night.

Terry Mitchell, 19, of Route 1, Leland, and Richard Horton, 20, who had no previous permanent address, both escaped from the prison around 3:30 p.m.

Both men were captured around 8:35 p.m. Sunday on U.S. 11 south of Kenansville by Sheriff's Deputy Glenn Jernigan.