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## The Twelve Days Of Christmas In Historic Kenansville

**Monday, December 14**

Christmas officially begins with church bells and chimes ringing in the Holiday Season, 6 p.m.

"Lighting of the Community Christmas Tree" in the Municipal Park. Caroling around open bon fires followed by hayrides, 6:30 p.m.

Refreshments, Grove Presbyterian Church, 8 p.m.

**Tuesday, December 15**

Christmas Covered Dish Supper, Kenansville Elementary School, 6:30 p.m. Share your picnic basket with your community.

**Wednesday, December 16**

"Christmas Memories" - Sue Clark and David Dickey reflect on the Yuletide Season in a program of staged readings, Grove Presbyterian, 7:30 p.m. Refreshments.

**Thursday, December 17**

Christmas Cantata, Kenansville Baptist Church, 8 p.m. Refreshments.

**Friday, December 18**

"Sounds of Christmas" by the Sounds of Music of Wallace. A selection of the light, happy songs associated with the Holiday Season. Kenansville United Methodist Church, 7:30 p.m.

**Saturday, December 19**

Merchants' Open House - Area businesses will be open for late shopping and a visit with Santa Claus.

**Sunday, December 20**

Special Christmas lunches at The Graham House Inn and The Country Squire from 12 noon to 2:00 p.m. (Charge for lunches)

**"Christmas at Liberty Hall," open house at the ancestral Kenan Home, decorated in the period of the early 1800's, 2 to 6 p.m. Refreshments.**

Christmas tree programs at individual churches.

Classical guitarist, Gordon Kreplin, in candlelight concert, Kenansville United Methodist Church, 7:30 p.m. Sponsored by the Duplin County Arts Council. Refreshments.

**Monday, December 21**

The James Kenan District Band, under the direction of Tom Newman, and the James Kenan District Chorus, under the direction of Melanie Morgan will present a musical program at the Kenan Memorial Auditorium, 7:30 p.m.

**Tuesday, December 22**

"Amahl and the Night Visitors," Carlo Menotti's Christmas story of the three wise men, will be presented by the Kinston Community Theater at the United Methodist Church, 7:30 p.m. Refreshments.

**Wednesday, December 23**

"Movie Magic" - films and refreshments for children of all ages. James Sprunt Technical College, 5:00 p.m.

**Thursday, December 24**

Christmas Eve Celebration - Combined community church service, Kenansville Baptist Church, 7:30 p.m. Refreshments.

**Friday, December 25**

Christmas Day - Family activities.

## Woman Murdered Near Chinquapin

Doris Hall Oliver, 55, of Bronx, N.Y., was found dead at a Route 1, Chinquapin house Wednesday morning.

Duplin Deputy E.G. Baker stated James Oliver, 56, of Route 1, Box 369, Chinquapin turned himself in Wednesday morning, Nov. 25th, about 6 a.m. at the Sheriff's Department saying he had killed his wife.

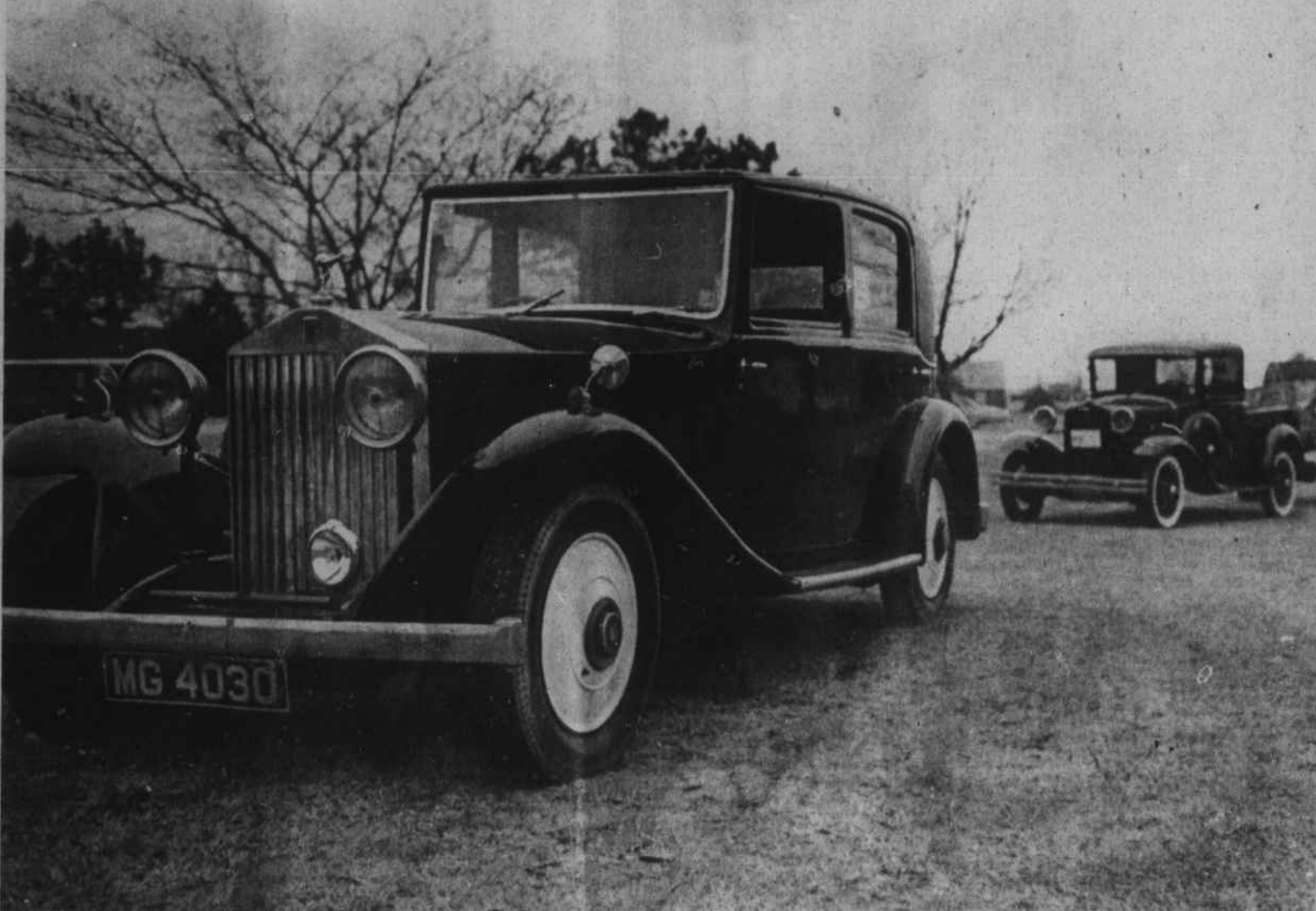
Oliver had retired from his job as an inspector with the Highway and Sewer Department for the city of New York. He was building, or seeing to the building of a home in the Chinquapin area.

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**THE ROLLS ROYCE AND THE FORD** - A pair of unforgettables — the rich man's car, the Rolls Royce, and the poor man's car, the model A Ford. Both are 1930 models, with the Rolls made in England and the Ford pickup in the U.S.A. In 1930, the Rolls Royce sold for \$30,000 and the Ford for \$550. Today, over 50 years later, the Rolls has a value of between \$20 and \$30,000 and the Ford, which is in mint condition, \$10,000. The Rolls Royce has maintained its selling price, so to speak, and the Ford has moved up quite a bit — from \$550 to \$10,000. The Rolls Royce is owned by Brooks Jones of Hubert; the Ford model A pickup by Wilbur Tyndall of Pink Hill. Both autos were on display at the recently held Farm City Fair in Kenansville. The Ford pickup was bought new by Claudie Summer of Duplin County. It was said a little baling wire and you could fix anything on a Model A. It came equipped with a monkey wrench, a lug wrench, and a screw-type jack. In case of a flat tire, which was frequently, the jack was placed on the ground under the axle, a long crooked handle was inserted in the base of the jack and around and around you turned. Most often it

took another person to hold the jack while it was turned. Least ways, in the beginning. The Rolls Royce, on the other hand, had a built-in jack at each wheel. You simply inserted a handle and with a "necking knob" turned away, lifting whichever wheel you wanted to. To remove the wheel was another thing. A special tool turned and depressed an outer hub so the inner hub could be screwed off. The carburetor of the Rolls has a plate on it stating it was set by professionals and you are not to mess with it. The Rolls engine is a 6-cylinder and the Ford a 4-cylinder. The English license plate on the Rolls Royce was issued to it when it was bought and stays with it until it is junked. In North Carolina, the license plate goes with the man and not the car. The famous interlocking "Rs" on the front of the Rolls were once painted red. Now they are black, the color having changed after Mr. Rolls' death. It was stated, "To buy a Rolls Royce is to go against the establishment, for the vehicle is a lifetime car, while most companies build cars to self-destruct in a few years."

## Pair Sells Marijuana To SBI

Hugh Curtis Smith, 35, of Route 1, Pink Hill, and Earl Douglas Stroud, 37, of Route 2, Vanceboro, were charged by undercover SBI agents with trafficking in marijuana. Smith was also charged with resisting arrest. Following the arrests, the pair was jailed in Duplin County Jail in Kenansville. They were released under a \$25,000 bond each.

The "buy" began in Vanceboro, according to Duplin County Sheriff's Department Detective Glenn

Jernigan. An undercover SBI agent set up the buy for 125 pounds with Stroud in Vanceboro, where they got into an auto and drove to a tobacco barn in Duplin County located between Albertson and Pink Hill.

However, the pay-off was not in cash but with an SBI badge. The two were arrested and charged with trafficking in marijuana. Smith was also charged with resisting arrest. Another 18 pounds of marijuana was

found. It was all "home grown" and in plastic garbage bags.

Under the new trafficking law enacted during this past session of the Legislature, when more than 100 pounds are involved, if convicted

there is a mandatory prison sentence of seven years. The first appearance is scheduled for this week.

The Sheriff's Department said home grown marijuana sells for about \$300 per pound.

## Tar Heel Fine Arts Society Presents Preston, The Magician

The second presentation of 1981-82 Tar Heel Fine Arts Society is an internationally acclaimed magician. The magic begins at 8 p.m. Thursday, December 3, in the Kenan Memorial Auditorium.

Preston, hypnotist, magician, mentalist, and humorist, is an internationally acclaimed super showman. His performances are so well received that three-fourths of his engagements are return

performances by popular demand. Preston has performed in Europe, South America, Hawaii, and the United States.

He was elected International President of the International Brotherhood of Magicians, which has more than 10,000 members in 35 countries. Preston, a highly respected showman, was chosen to appear in "Who's Who On The American Stage," and was awarded an

Honorary Doctorate by his Alma Mater.

The Tar Heel Fine Arts Society also plans to present three concerts in the spring of 1982. The first 1982 presentation will be January 28 featuring the New Orleans Preservation Hall Jazz Band. The Preservation Hall Jazz Band will present an evening of sweet-sad-gentle-exuberant music originating from the birthplace of jazz.

The second 1982 presentation will be Marco Valenti

who will be performing in Kenansville March 4. And, concluding the 1981-82 Fine Arts season will be the twin brothers, duo-pianists, appearing April 19.

Each of the season performances will begin at 8 p.m. in the Kenansville Memorial Auditorium. Tickets are available at the door the night of the performance or may be purchased through any member of the Tar Heel Fine Arts Society prior to the show.

## Rose Hill Policeman Shoots Man

A Rose Hill man sought for car theft was shot by a policeman after he pulled a shotgun on another law officer Thursday, authorities said.

Three different law enforcement agencies were involved in the ensuing high speed chase, which ended with the arrest of Robert Bass.

Bass was charged with larceny of an automobile. The State Bureau of Investigation was called to review the case before other charges are considered, said Chief Deputy Glenn Jernigan of the Sheriff's Department.

Bass was wounded in the arm and was treated at Duplin General Hospital and New Hanover Memorial Hospital in Wilmington before being transported to Cherry Hospital in Goldsboro, said Jernigan. Deputy Alfred Basden had

a warrant to arrest Bass for larceny of an automobile, but when he stopped the suspect near Rose Hill, Bass pulled a shotgun on him, according to police accounts.

Another lawman on the scene, Rose Hill Officer Frank Scott, then shot Bass in the arm, said Jernigan.

After the shooting, his arm bleeding, Bass dropped the shotgun, jumped in his car and sped off, Jernigan said.

The N.C. Highway Patrol was called in to assist in a chase across rural Duplin County. Finally, Bass was arrested by Highway Patrolman Woody Sandy and Basden.

Dave Marshall of the SBI was working on the case Thursday and other charges may be brought against Bass, Jernigan said.

Jernigan said Bass was referred to Cherry Hospital because he had recently been there for treatment.



**QUEENS LEE ANNE COSTIN AND AMY WILLIAMS** - Lee Anne Costin of Warsaw was named the Duplin County Junior Miss and Amy Williams of Beulaville was named Little Miss Duplin County Saturday night in Kenansville at the dual pageant. Lee Anne is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Lee Costin. A senior at James Kenan, for her talent she performed at the piano. Amy is the eight-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Williams. She attends Beulaville Elementary School and for her talent she performed a song and dance routine. Other winners in the Little Miss Duplin County contest — the 4th runner-up was Laura Jones, 11-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Jones; 3rd runner-up was Theresa

McGowan, the nine-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert McGowan; second runner-up was Crystal Cross, the 10-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Cross; and first runner-up was Michelle Pigford, the eight-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gene Pigford. In the Junior Miss Duplin County contest, the 4th runner-up was Tracy Rich, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Rich. The third runner-up was Mary Ann Diaz, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Cesar J. Diaz. Second runner-up was Laura Balkcum, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Balkcum; and the first runner-up was Paula Wiggins, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Wiggins. (Photo by Robin Lewis)