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Carroll's Of Warsaw

## Carroll's & Goldsboro Milling Plan New Turkey Processing Plant

Plans to build one of the world's largest turkey processing plants were announced jointly Friday by Carroll's Foods Inc. of Warsaw and Goldsboro Milling Co. of Goldsboro.

F.J. "Sonny" Faison Jr., president of Carroll's, said plans call for a 200,000-square-foot plant capable of processing 200 million liveweight pounds of turkeys a year. That will mean an average of about 12 million turkeys a year, he added.

The plant will employ 750 to 1,000 people when it goes into operation. Its employment will add about \$8 million to the region's industrial payroll.

North Carolina produces more turkeys than any other state, with an estimated 28 million birds this year.

The plant will prompt increased turkey production in the region, Faison said.

He said the plant will cost about \$18 million. Construction will begin late this year with completion expected in mid-1986.

Carroll's and Goldsboro Milling Co. have formed a business partnership for construction and operation of the processing plant. Louis Max-

well is president of Goldsboro Milling Co.

A site has not been chosen, Faison said. "The plant will be built on a location convenient to both companies," he said, making a location in Duplin or Wayne counties most likely.

Both companies are major turkey processors, each processing about 100 million pounds or about 6 million turkeys a year. Carroll's also is a major hog processor, marketing about 200,000 heads of hogs a year from its 11,000-sow operation.

In addition to the basic dressed turkeys, the plant will process turkey parts, turkey hams, sausage, cooked turkey breasts, smoked turkey and other turkey specialties, Faison said. It will mean a "value added that stays here instead of going to people in other states," he added.

Faison said North Carolina now produces more turkeys than can be processed in the state. About nine million North Carolina turkeys are being processed each year in Virginia, he added.

Carroll's sells almost half its birds to the Swift & Co. plant at Wallace and ships 58 percent of its produc-

tion to Virginia. Completion of the new plant will mean elimination of the Virginia shipment with its wasteful transportation costs, he said.

Faison said Carroll's will increase turkey production when the new plant opens to meet its in-state commitments.

The two companies now contract with about 350 turkey growers, mostly in Duplin, Sampson and Wayne counties.

"This will add stability and permanency to the turkey growers in the state," Faison said.

He said design of the plant will be directed by Hughes, Shillington and Dixon, consulting engineers of Merriam, Kansas.

Marketing agent for products from the facility will be Norbest, Inc. of Salt Lake City, Utah, which has marketed turkeys, turkey products and other food products worldwide for 55 years. Goldsboro Milling Co. has been in business since 1916. Carroll's was organized in 1939, processing broilers at first. It then added a swine production program and a turkey operation. It has sold off its broiler operation.

## Wallace Hopes To Bag Leaf Problems

Town officials in Wallace are turning over a new leaf in their battle against leaves.

Each fall, blowing leaves plug street drains and aggravate residents. This year the Town Board hopes to bag the problem.

Thursday night the board decided to buy 5,000 bags to start a program

in which residents can get free bags for their leaves.

The town also will continue its weekly vacuuming of leaf piles.

In the past, a specially equipped truck has made the rounds of the town once a week, usually on Wednesdays, to suck up leaves

through a vacuum system much like an overgrown home vacuum cleaner.

But leaves raked in curbside piles by homeowners often were scattered by wind before the pickup.

Town Administrator Robert Hyatt told the board a bagging system might work. He suggested having residents go to the Town Hall and pick up five leaf bags, fill them and place them on the curb for public works crews to pick up. The crews would exchange empty bags for the full ones. A case of 250 bags costs \$20.

Commissioner Arnold Duncan voted against the plan. Commissioners David Jordan, Charles Blanchard and Luther Powell voted for it. Commissioner N.H. Carter was absent.

After the split vote, the board decided to use both the bag and vacuum systems and decide which worked better this fall.

The board also agreed to have the heating and air conditioning at the Thelma Dingus Bryant town library repaired at an estimated cost of \$2,200 to \$2,300. It had considered installing a new system, which Carolina Power & Light Co. conservation specialists said would be more efficient and pay for itself in five years. However, local heating and air condition company managers said the units recommended by CP&L were too small.

In other action, the board:

- Agreed to buy a backhoe and bucket from N.C. Equipment Co. for \$26,109. The company allowed the town \$4,000 on the trade-in of its old equipment, for a net expense of \$22,109.

- Agreed to buy two walkie-talkies and three pagers for the rescue squad at an estimated cost of \$2,390.

- Called a work session Monday on use of \$50,000 in Powell Bill money from the state gasoline tax.

## JSTC Hires New Dean Of Instruction

Donald L. Reichard, mayor of Newsoms, Va., will become dean of instruction of James Sprunt Technical College starting Nov. 12. President Carl Price said last week.

Reichard, 36, is a division chairman of Paul D. Camp Community College in Franklin, Va. He has been an instructor or an administrator at the college for 12 years.

A native of Pennsylvania, Reichard received his doctorate from William & Mary College of Wil-

liamsburg, Va. His wife is a counselor at Chowan College in Murfreesboro. Newsoms is about halfway between Murfreesboro and Franklin. She will complete her contract with Chowan in May and come to the area then.

Reichard will succeed Gene Ballard, whose contract was not renewed June 30, 1984. Mary Wood of the college staff has served as acting dean for the last three months.

## Two Marines Hurt In Duplin Accident

Two teen-age Marines stationed at Cherry Point Marine Air Station in Craven County were seriously injured Sunday morning in a one-car accident in Duplin County.

The accident occurred at 5:15 a.m. about 1 1/2 miles north of Warsaw on U.S. 117. Anthony Mele Jr., 19, was driving north on U.S. 117 at a high speed when his car skidded, crossed the center line and struck some trees, said Highway Patrol Sgt. D.O. Dixon. His passenger, Michael

Thomas Howe, 19, was thrown from the car, Dixon said.

Both men are Marines with addresses at Cherry Point, Dixon said. Mele is originally from New Britain, Conn., he said. Mele was charged with driving while impaired, he said.

Both men underwent surgery at Pitt Memorial Hospital in Greenville Sunday. Howe was in critical condition and Mele was in serious condition.

## Warsaw To Flush Water Lines

The town utilities department began flushing water lines Sunday morning.

The department plans to flush the lines in about one-fourth of the town each Sunday morning for the next four Sundays in Warsaw. The process involves opening fire hydrants to drain pipes and remove rust and other residue from the water.

At the Town Board meeting last week, it was announced that residents of the areas involved should avoid washing clothes during the flushing period.

The board called a special meeting

for this week for Mayor Sam Godwin, Commissioners Graham Hood and Walter Foster, Fire Chief Cecil Guy and Rescue Squad Chief Tommy Coombs to discuss space needs for organizations in the Town Hall. The fire department, rescue squad and library are all in the Town Hall.

Larry Simmons, maintenance supervisor, was directed to haul off dirt and haul in marl to improve Garfield and Lincoln streets where dirt was thrown over the marl surface while workers cleaned a drainage ditch. Donnie Garner and Bill and Christine Williams complained that the ditch cleaning had turned the streets into "a mucky mess."

In other action, the board:

- Approved spending \$500 for an engineering map of the town, showing utility lines. The board hopes this information will influence insurance rating bureaus to give the town a better fire insurance rating, which would mean lower premiums for residents.

- Appointed Pat Swanda to the recreation committee to succeed Mary Blackburn, who resigned.

- Named Commissioner James Herring as the board's voting delegate to the N.C. League of Municipalities convention Oct. 29 in Raleigh. Hood was named alternate.

## Rose Hill Housing Stirs Concern

Concern about a proposed 14-unit, low-rent housing development in northern Rose Hill may spur a public hearing on the project.

"I think we should have a public hearing on this. I think anything that is controversial, such as this, should be aired in public. We're just trying to run the town for the people," Mayor Ben Harrell said at the Town Board's meeting last week.

Harrell said people living in the area had expressed opposition to the project.

Although the board talked about having a public hearing, no date was set.

Tyndal Lewis plans to construct the housing project in seven buildings on property along North First Street. He has an option to purchase

the land from Atlantic Casket Co.

A moratorium on construction of multi-family dwellings will prevent construction for the present. The moratorium was called by the Town Board because of an inadequate sewage treatment plant. A new plant is under construction and the moratorium will be lifted when it goes into operation.

Harrell said when the housing project was first proposed and approved by the board, the board understood it would be a townhouse project, available to customers on a lease-purchase deal.

Before a hearing is set, Lewis will be asked to appear before the board to outline his project plans.

In other business:

- It was announced that Four

County Electric Membership Corp. will supply electric power to the town's new sewage treatment plant under a contract that sets the minimum bill at \$225 per month.

- The board sold a 1967 garbage truck to Ebern Watson Jr. on a bid of \$1,800 and rejected bids of \$400 on a 1979 model and \$600 on a 1978 model Chevrolet automobile. Both were used as police cars. The board decided to ask local car dealers to offer the vehicles at one of the dealer auction sales of used cars.

- Melba Laney of the N.C. Department of Natural Resources and Community Development will codify the town's zoning ordinances.

- The police department was instructed to enforce the ordinance barring bicycle riding on sidewalks, particularly in the downtown area.

## Organ Donor Awareness Increases During County Fair

A county fair serves many purposes and the Beulaville Lions uses Duplin's to create public awareness about the human organ will program.

The Beulaville Lions doubled the number of organ will donors at the 1984 Duplin Agribusiness Fair over last year. Each year the 20-member chapter of the Lions from Beulaville sets up a booth at the Duplin Fair to sign local citizens as organ donors through the North Carolina Eye and Human Tissue Bank. This year 33 people signed wills donating their eyes and other organs through the Beulaville Lions.

"We did real well this year," president of the Beulaville Lions David Moretz said. "We signed up 33 donors who will their eyes and several of them donated other organs and two or three donated their whole body."

"Eye wills are the main concern of the Lions," Moretz said. "The Lions organization has always been concerned with eyes and eyesight care. And, through efforts to sign eye will donors, the Lions are trying to meet the demand with a supply of corneas for transplant. If we get other organs willed, that is a plus, because currently there are several thousand people waiting for kidney transplants."

According to Moretz, the cornea is the most successful of organ transplant surgeries. Eye corneas have a

longer period for removal and transport surgery than other organs. After death, a cornea must be removed within four hours and transplanted within 36 hours, Moretz said. And, local Lions chapters are responsible for transporting willed corneas to centers for transplant. Centers are now doing cornea transplant surgery at Duke Hospital, North Carolina Memorial, and Bowman Gray in Winston-Salem.

"There are at least two reasons for the increase in local organ donations at the fair this year," Moretz said. "The Beulaville Lions feel a main reason for the increase has stemmed from the awareness generated by efforts to help Ashley Quinn. And the location of the Lions booth was more accessible to fair visitors this year than in previous years."

According to Duplin Agribusiness

Fair officials, more than 15,000 people attended the annual event held Oct. 1-6. Attendance for the fair exceeded 1983 crowds by more than 5,000 people.

"We appreciate the support of the donors and those who just dropped by our booth at the fair just to talk," Moretz said. "Our project generated a lot of interest and for the first year we gave away all the brochures we had with information about eye will donations."

The Beulaville Lions have been chartered for 33 years and support the state organization projects. And, Moretz pointed out, the major goal of the Lions organization is eyes and eyesight care through research, recreational camps for visually impaired individuals, donor programs and industry to employ the blind.

## Malpractice Trial To Begin Monday

A malpractice trial is to begin Monday in Kenansville.

The case alleges through neglect Dr. Oscar L. Redwine, a surgeon of Kenansville, caused the death of Henry Noah Blackburn of Warsaw. The incident occurred in March 1982.

Superior Court Judge Henry L. McKinnon of Lumberton will preside over the civil case.

Jene Thompson, attorney for the Blackburn estate, said jury selection will begin Monday afternoon. He expects the trial to last one to two weeks.



Kenansville Elementary Plans Fall Festival

A chicken dinner, country store and a Halloween carnival are planned for this year's annual fall Fun Fund Festival at the Kenansville Elementary School Oct. 25 beginning at 5 p.m. Students are currently selling tickets for the barbecued pork or fried chicken dinner and are accepting donations on a \$100 cash drawing to be held the night of the festival. According

to the Fun Fund Festival committee members, the school hopes to exceed last year's \$3,000 mark at the fund-raiser this fall. Proceeds from the festival will be used to buy instructional materials at Kenansville Elementary School. Pictured above are festival committee members DeLois Washington, Mary Dudley and Norma Guy, teachers at the elementary school