

DUPLIN'S ONLY TOBACCO MARKET OPENS TUESDAY

Gift Repayment Claim Is Filed; Totals \$574,004

County Road Claims Adjustment Commission, Provided by Legislature, Asked to Reimburse Duplin.

DUPLIN COMMISSIONERS FILE FOR \$574,004.00

Claims Filed For Funds Expended Prior to 1931; Majority Counties File

In accordance with recent legislation the Duplin County Commissioners have asked the County Road Claims Adjustment Commission to reimburse Duplin for a total of \$574,004, this amount, and more, having been placed at the disposal of the State highway system and used in developing roadways in this county.

The highway debt commission is scheduled to meet tomorrow to begin action on Duplin's claim, as well as claims of the majority of the counties in the state.

Claims being filed are for gifts of money or roads made to the highway commission during the years prior to 1931, when the State assumed control and maintenance of all roads.

Duplin's claim is concerned mainly with the cost of building a concrete bridge between Warsaw and Kenansville, costing \$35,000 and stumpage of four Duplin roads. Between 1918 and 1931 Duplin county spent over one million dollars in building up a road system.

Dearing Boss Of Garden Exhibits

Prizes Totalling \$15,000 Offered For Exhibits Displayed at N. C. State Fair

Dr. Charles Dearing, assistant director in charge, Coastal Plain Experiment Station, Willard, will superintend the horticultural products exhibits at the North Carolina State Fair, which has been announced. \$700 in prizes will be available in this department.

Advance reservations for exhibit space indicate that visitors to the 1936 State Fair will be greeted by one of the greatest arrays of farm products ever assembled in North Carolina. Manager Norman Y. Chambliss has stated.

Dr. Fred E. Miller, of the State Department of Agriculture, is in charge of all exhibits again. He reported this week that the fair will present an unusually large and varied exhibit by 4-H clubs of the State. An increased number of requests for premium books, which contain 14 departments offering total prizes of \$15,000, indicates above average interest by prospective exhibitors in other agricultural divisions, Dr. Miller announced. Prizes have been increased in every department, with the total raise amounting to 15 percent.

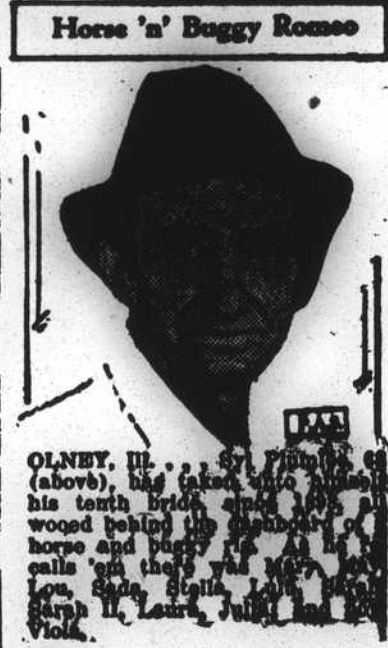
Four-H club members are eligible to compete for \$2,048.50 worth of prizes. L. R. Harrell, who is well known to 4-H members in this county, has charge of this department.

Leaves for Northern Market

A. M. Lansford, well known local piano dealer, expects to leave tonight for Washington and Philadelphia where he will purchase his Fall stock of pianos. Lansford says he anticipates a good business this Fall and Winter and plans to buy heavily on the Northern markets.

MAJORITY COUNTY SCHOOLS OPENED FOR FALL TERM

Oil Shot On Bank Waters Acts To Pacify Merchants



New County Farm Agent Takes Job

McLendon's Successor Assumed Job Thursday; Comes From Harnett Co.

Duplin county's new farm agent, W. D. Reynolds, came to Kenansville Thursday and took over his duties as successor to L. L. McLendon, county farm agent in Duplin for over 15 years, and, who resigned July 15 to accept a position with the resettlement administration.

Since McLendon's resignation P. D. May, assistant county farm agent, has acted as the temporary agent. May was offered the chief position, but refused, as he will leave January 1 to operate a farm for himself. Reynolds comes to Duplin upon the order of E. W. Gaither, district agent. He served as assistant county agent in Harnett county last year and for four years prior taught vocational agriculture under the Harnett county public school system.

Blanchard, Jr., Home

The condition of O. C. Blanchard, Jr., Wallace youth who suffered a broken neck while swimming in Northeast River Thursday afternoon, has improved sufficiently to allow him to be brought home last night. While still in a cast, it was stated that he would soon be able to be out.

Southerland Clan Meets In Reunion

Antiques Are Shown; Memorial Services Held For Two Members

Rose Hill, Aug. 26—The Southerland clan held its fourth annual reunion Thursday in the local school building. The president, William Dallas Herring of Rose Hill, presided, and Mrs. J. M. Jerome served as secretary in the absence of Mrs. C. F. Hawes.

Mr. Herring presented a pamphlet on Southerland history and the clan historian, Miss Annie Rose Southerland of Smithfield, gave new facts concerning the family. Miss Martha Southerland of Kenansville, Mrs. D. B. Herring and Mrs. R. F. Newkirk, of Rose Hill gave historical sketches of the following branches of the clan: Bryant, Alsa, and Alexander Southerland.

Family antiques were displayed, and genealogical sketches (Please Turn to Page Eight)

Thompson Promises Reforms In Operation Local Unit Of Branch Bank

Promises of certain changes in the operation of the Wallace unit of the Branch Banking and Trust Company, and a clear statement of the position of this bank in the Branch, chain, indicated last night at a meeting of the Wallace Merchants' Association that further argument over the operation of the unit here will henceforth be frowned upon.

Local merchants and business men have, for some time, stated their displeasure at the Branch Banking and Trust Company, going back into several generations to express their opinions, but at the meeting last night, at which time chief mourners were absent, Jean C. Thompson, cashier of the Warsaw unit and head of the Duplin activities of the chain banking house, sated his case and appears to have won.

Admitting that the loan facilities, the chief item of concern were not of the best available, Thompson indicated that a plan will be submitted immediately whereby that bone of contention would be salvaged. The possibility of appointing a three-man board of directors was discussed, and Thompson stated that within a short time he would make arrangements (Please turn to Page Eight)

Homestead Work Employs 225 Men

Dellinger Reports Employment 225 Men at Penderlea; More To Be Hired

Development of the Penderlea homesteads is rapidly going forward, according to an announcement this week from R. C. Dellinger, of the N. C. state employment service, who reports that 225 unskilled laborers have been given work during the past two weeks and indications are that 300 more unskilled laborers will be employed in the near future.

At present all activity is centered on clearing and ditching on homesteads on the original project.

No indication has been given as to when development of the additional 6,500 acres recently acquired will begin.

CHADWICK RETURNS FOR SEVENTH YEAR AT R. H.

Rose Hill, Aug. 25.—Opening exercises for the Rose Hill high school were held Monday morning. Rev. S. G. Harness, Rev. J. H. E. Barnes, and Rev. E. C. Maness assisting in the preliminary program. Dr. R. L. Carr, county health officer, discussed health as one of the objectives of public education.

The principal, D. G. Chadwick of Straits, is returning for his seventh year to the local school, having been a teacher here for five years before he became principal last year.

Faculty members are: Elementary school, Miss Elizabeth Forlaw, Mrs. J. M. Barden of Rose Hill; Miss Louise Whitfield of Clinton; Miss Elvis Yelverton of Black Creek; Miss Mildred Stanly of Goldsboro; Miss Jessie Moore of Rose Hill; Miss Carolyn Brinkley of Colerain; Miss Daisy Britt of Mt. Olive; Mrs. Elizabeth Vick of (Please turn to Page Eight)

Education Units Make Plans For Successful Year

Encouraging Attendances Reported Thus Far; Colored Schools Open Along With White Schools In District.

COMMERCIAL COURSE TO BE TAUGHT IN WALLACE

All School Districts Opened With Exception of Warsaw And Calypso

With the exception of two units, all Duplin county schools are opened, five of them beginning their operations today.

In all schools opened thus far, encouraging attendance reports were given and indications are that this school year will be one of the most successful in the history of the organized system in this county.

Although variances in openings throughout the county are noted, colored schools in each district open simultaneously with the white school.

Noteworthy among the changes in the curriculum offered in the schools of the county this year is a commercial course which will be offered in the Clement high school, Wallace, for the first time in its history. Mrs. R. L. Black, Wallace, who was head of the commercial department in New Hanover high school for seven years, has charge.

The Magnolia and Rose Hill schools opened Monday, with the B. F. Grady school opening yesterday. Five schools, Wallace, Faison, Chiquapin, Beulaville and Kenansville, opened today. Warsaw and Calypso units will begin operations Monday.

FAISON MAN HURT WHEN AUTOMOBILE OVERTURNS

B. S. Kelly, Faison, Route 1, was seriously injured Monday when the automobile he was driving near Faison ran off a road and turned over, rendering him unconscious. He was rushed to a Goldsboro hospital and attaches there stated he might be suffering a fractured skull.

Skull Fractured In Freak Wreck

Floyd Child In Hospital With Skull Fractured In Cart-Auto Collision

Betty Carr Floyd, eight-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Furmon Floyd, Fairmont, lies in a Wilmington hospital in a critical condition as a result of an unusual accident near here Monday afternoon when a runaway horse crashed into the automobile in which she was riding, a shaft of the cart drawn by the horse breaking through a window and fracturing her skull.

The little girl and her mother were visiting her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Carr, in the Teachey section. Immediately after the accident the little child was examined at a local physician's office and thence rushed to Wilmington. For several hours she remained in a state of unconsciousness.

McClung Out

Justice of the Peace A. M. McClung, who has been confined in his home here for the past several weeks due to malaria, has made notice of his return to health and local affairs.

Claim Strychnine Used To Kill Local Dogs And Cats

As a result of the mysterious deaths of Rex, one of the well-known dogs of Wallace, 26 cats, and 10 other dogs Saturday night and early Sunday, local police are conducting an investigation, with the probable outcome hinging on a State laboratory report on the findings in the stomach of one of the dogs.

While no definite action has been taken, other than to send a stomach to Raleigh for analysis, it is assumed that the dogs and cats died as the re-

sult of strychnine poisoning. Witnesses stated that the animals died in convulsions such as those generally attending deaths from such a source.

Corroborating this assumption is the fact that police have learned that an ounce of strychnine was purchased at a local drug store Saturday, and also, a quantity of meat scraps was purchased.

All the dead pets belonged to families living in the Goose Neck, or southeastern section within the city limits.

Death Prosecuting Witness Brings End To Incest Case

POUNDS OF PIGS

Duplin farmers have placed orders for 60,000 pounds of Western pigs with H. W. Taylor, swine extension specialist who is in Nebraska for the purchase of swine, according to an announcement from the office of the Duplin county farm agent this week.

Delivery on these Western swine, costing \$10.75 per hundred pounds, is expected within two weeks.

Willie Jones Released From Custody Following Death of Alma Hughes

The prosecuting witness in the case of Willie Jones, Summerlin Cross Roads resident charged with incest and slated to have been tried before a magistrate yesterday, died Sunday while giving birth to an illegitimate child, thus throwing out the charges in one of the two incest cases investigated by the Duplin County Department of Public Welfare.

At the time of his arrest Jones was charged with being the father of the unborn child of his 17-year-old niece, Alma Hughes. The young woman was said to have been feeble-minded and suffering from tuberculosis.

The child of the Hughes woman still lives, according to latest reports.

In the other incest case made public last week, Joe Bradham of the Kenansville section, was tried before a magistrate in Kenansville Monday and bound over to Recorder's court on charges of attempting to have carnal knowledge of his 17-year-old daughter, Josephine Bradham. He was arrested after his daughter appealed to Duplin Welfare officials.

Bradham has previously been hauled into court on a similar charge, it is understood, but was acquitted.

Evidence as to his guilt in the recent case was described as being weak.

Light Docket For Civil Term Court

Only 35 Cases On Calendar; Three Divorce Actions To Be Aired

One of the lightest civil dockets in several years will greet Judge Marshall T. Spears when he convenes the regular August term of superior court for the trial of civil cases Monday morning. Only 35 cases are docketed for trial during the term, which is scheduled for two weeks, and the majority of these are expected to consume very little time. Only three divorce actions are scheduled to be aired at this term.

The calendar, as drawn up by the Duplin Bar last Friday, has cases set for trial on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday only of each week. However, there is quite a large motion docket to be passed on.

All cases set for trial during this term will be called in their order when reached, except cases set peremptorily, which will be called on the day set for trial. Witnesses will not be allowed to charge except from the day their case is set.

BUILDING ADDITIONAL WALKS ON C. H. SQUARE

Construction work on additional sidewalks on the courthouse square was begun this greatly enhance the beauty of week and when completed will the grounds surrounding the historic old building as well as add to the comfort of those visiting the seat of justice.

Since the Junior Woman's Club of Kenansville became actively interested in a program of beautification for the courthouse grounds some time ago considerable progress has been noted and when the new walks are completed the County will have one of the best planned squares in this section of North Carolina.

Only Market In Area Plans For Opening Of Belt

Value of Patronizing Local Market Is Emphasized by Supporters and Warehousemen; Overnight Stays Costly.

WALLACE ONLY MARKET WITHIN GREAT RADIUS

Britton and Blanchard Promise Farmers That Satisfaction Available Here

Wallace, the only weed market within a radius of 50 miles will open for the sale of bright leaf tobacco Tuesday, along with the other markets in the New Bright Belt, and indications are that this year will mark one of the greatest seasons ever recorded by the market here.

Sales on Georgia markets and those of the South Carolina belt have been favorably noted by farmers in this and other sections. Reports state that in spite of a great amount of poor grade weed, prices are holding up well and that farmers generally appear to be satisfied. Local warehousemen, however, promise farmers that they will be pleased with the sale of their product sold on the floors of the warehouses here.

For weeks supporters of the local market, in cooperation with W. M. Britton and O. C. Blanchard, operators of the local houses, have emphasized the potentialities in selling tobacco in Wallace, which, by reason of its central location, (Please turn to Page Eight)

Officers Capture Escaped Convict

Pender Prison Camp Escapee is Taken in Apex; Fled Camp July 7

Willie Hooker, who escaped from the Burgaw prison camp July 7 in company with three other prisoners, was captured in Apex early Monday, Oscar Pitts, acting director of the prison division of the State Highway and Public Works Commission, has stated. Plans were made for his immediate return to the Burgaw road camp.

The captured convict was serving five to 10 years for breaking, entering and larceny. He was sentenced from Moore county.

Richard Hall, one of the quartet that escaped, was captured within 200 yards of the Wallace city limits a day after the escape. The remaining three stole a truck near Harrell's Store, officers stated, and fled toward Clinton.

The convicts feigned sickness, Hall said, and after prying two boards from the infirmary wall, ran through a stockade gate while the steward was engaged elsewhere.

Insofar as it can be learned, the remaining two are still at large.

PAGEANT TO BE GIVEN IN MAGNOLIA SUNDAY

A group of young people from the Clinton Baptist church will give a pageant in the Magnolia Baptist Church Sunday evening at eight o'clock, it has been announced. The pageant is planned to represent the lives of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Shuck, pioneer missionaries in China over 100 years ago.

The public is invited to attend the program, following which Miss Katie Murray, a Duplin native who will return soon to the China mission field, will speak.

At Ridgecrest

Rev. Mr. J. E. Lanier left Monday for Ridgecrest, where he will attend a Baptist conference now in session there.