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Wallace And Beulaville Lose Out In Battle For Routing Of Highway US 13

Wallace, Chinquapin, Beulaville and Harrells lost in the battle to get proposed Federal Highway 13 before the present State Highway Commission.

Following a hearing before the Commission in Raleigh last week the Commission voted to recommend to the American Association of State Highway Officials that U. S. 13 in eastern North Carolina be extended from Windsor, where it terminates at present, to Goldsboro. It would run by way of Williamston, Robersonville, Goldsboro, Mount Olive and Faison.

It would not run along the route previously approved and heartily endorsed by the State Highway Commission in 1953. At that time the Kinston, Pink Hill, Beulaville, Wallace, Harrells route was proposed. Elizabethtown may also be excepted from the present routing.

Representing Wallace at the hearing were Mayor J. Willard Hoffer, who acted as spokesman, Claude Hepler, representing the civic clubs, Dr. John D. Robinson, Jr., representing the Chamber of Commerce and J. W. Aycock, Sr., representing businessmen.

Charlie McCullers, director of the Kinston Chamber of Commerce, spearheaded the efforts of the 1953 group. A man from Robersonville who was elected two weeks ago to act as spokesman for the 1953 recommended route suddenly turned neutral at the meeting. The road will go through Robersonville under any circumstances. It will also go through Snow Hill, home of a present Highway Commissioner and Goldsboro, home of another Highway Commissioner.

In 1953 a delegation from the Highway Commission, along with Engineer W. H. Rogers, surveyed the proposed route through Kinston, Pink Hill, Beulaville, Chinquapin, Wallace, Harrells and White Lake and heartily endorsed the route. The group stopped for refreshments at Wallace, took a brief tour of the Carter Fibrics plant, and went on to dinner at Melvin's Beach at White Lake.

Last week's recommendations of the Commission will be made after completion of a new bridge across the Tar River at Greenville. It is estimated that construction will take 18 to 24 months.

In the meantime a new Governor and Highway Commission will be elected and appointed, a spokesman pointed out. "We won the 1953 battle, lost the 1955 battle, but still have a chance to win the war," he said.

Actually, the North Carolina highway commission does not have the power to designate federal marked routes. That is within the province of the National Association of Highway Officials. There are few, if any, cases on record where the national association failed to follow recommendations of a State highway commission.



SAFETY ON THE HIGHWAYS—Road checking stations like this have been common all over Duplin during this Fourth of July weekend. They are sponsored by the Lions Club of Warsaw and Wallace, assisted by the State Highway Patrol. Safety literature urging motorists to "slow down and live" is handed each motorist by Lions. A safety station was maintained on 117 south of Warsaw Friday, 24 east of Warsaw Saturday, 41 east of Wallace yesterday (above photo) and will be maintained this afternoon north of Wallace. (Photo by Lanier's Studio.)

Crops In Better Shape At End Of June This Year Than Last Despite Less Rain

The 71.85 degree average temperature of June 1955 is the coolest June on record at the Coastal Plain Station at Willard, Jesse W. Sumner, assistant director in charge, said today.

June of 1952 had a high of 79.9 degree average which is the highest on record for June.

Although this area had one-and-a-half inches more rain in June of 1954 than in June of 1955 it fell in a period of five days while the rain of June 1955 fell over a 13-day period. With the rain falling on 13 separate days this enabled the crops to utilize it more efficiently and as a result crops are in better shape at the end of June this year than last year, Sumner observed.

The highest temperature of 1955 appeared on the same day as the lowest of 1954, June 6th.

There were six days in June 1955 with a temperature of 90 degrees or above while there were 15 days of 90 degrees or above in 1954.

Rainfall for the sixth month was 3.46 inches while in 1954 it was 4.96 inches. Both years were departures from normal, this year's being 2.24 inches below normal.

Rainfall for the first half year was 16.54 inches, a departure from normal of 7.06 inches. Last year's rainfall through June measured 20.66 inches, 2.94 inches below normal. The average temperature last year was 77.10 degrees. This year's average of 71.85 is 4.35 degrees below normal.

The highest temperature occurred, Sumner said, with a 95 degree reading. Last year's high was 100 on June 27. 48 degrees was the low reading both years.

The last recorded rain at the Coastal Plain Station was on Sunday the 28th when the heaviest rainfall of the month occurred, .93 inches falling.

Rainy days in June and the amount were: 7, .01; 8, .02; 9, .36; 11, .04; 12, .03; 18, .64; 19, .84; 20, .30; 22, .09; 23, .01; 24, .05; 25, .14; and 26, .93.

Planting Of 1956 Flue Cured Crop May Be Cut 12 Per Cent. Vote On July 23rd

Planting of the 1956 flue-cured tobacco crop would be cut 12 per cent under a proposed production and marketing control program announced today by the Agriculture Department, which ordered a grower referendum to be held on July 23.

The proposal calls for allotment of 889,000 acres for next year's crop as compared with 1,007,000 acres allotted for this year's crop. State planting allotments will be announced later.

The national marketing quota proclaimed for the marketing year 1955-57 is 1,130,000 pounds as compared with the 1955-56 quota of 1,270,000 pounds.

In the referendum, flue-cured tobacco growers will have three choices: (1) For quotas for the 1956, 1957 and 1958 crops; (2) for quotas for the 1956 crop only, or (3) against quotas.

The department stated that in a similar referendum held July 19, 1952, growers favored marketing quotas for three years (1953 through 1955) by a 97.8 per cent vote, with one per cent favoring quotas for one year and the remaining 1.2 per cent voting against quotas. The total vote was 260,163.

Marketing quotas have been in effect for flue-cured tobacco every year since the enactment of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938, except for the 1939 crop, when they were discontinued by growers.

Marketing quotas can continue in effect only if approved by at least two-thirds of the growers voting in the referendum. When quotas are in effect, tobacco produced in excess of the farm allotment is subject to a marketing penalty and price support is available at 90 per cent of parity.

If quotas are disapproved by growers in the Saturday, July 23, referendum, they will not be in effect for the 1956 crop, and no price support will be available.

The law requires that the Secretary of Agriculture proclaim tobacco marketing quotas each year after the total supply once exceeds the reserve supply. As of today, the estimated total supply is 3,300,000.

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Mystery Farm Identified As Elmore Jenkins Farm, Teachey

This week's mystery farm, as many readers informed us, belongs to Elmore Jenkins and is located near Teachey.

Jenkins bought the 166-acre tract ten years ago from Lib Moore. During his ownership he and his family have continually worked to improve the land.

Among innovations since 1945 have been the clearing of 75 acres on the tract, as well as setting up a drainage system.

Mr. Jenkins was married to the former Marguerite Rouse in 1926 and the couple have three children, two sons and a daughter. One son, Elmore R., lives and works on the farm, while the other son, Rufus, though living at home, works elsewhere.

The daughter, now Mrs. J. W. Turner, lives in Goldsboro.

The Jenkins are affiliated with the Wallace Methodist Church.

Principal crops on the Jenkins farm are tobacco and cow feed. In the way of livestock they own a number of cows, horses and mules. Cows, however, are the favorite of the landowner.

In addition to the farm, the Jenkins' also run a grocery store and meat market in Tin City.

A total of 21 readers correctly identified last week's mystery farm as belonging to Mr. Jenkins.

Four of them, Mrs. Norman Harison, Rose Hill; Mrs. J. S. Wadsworth, Teachey; Charles Ellis Brinkley, Rt. 2, Wallace and Harry Powell, Wallace, were selected as winners of the four theatre passes.

Others who identified the farm correctly were: Edward F. Johnson, Jr., Wallace; Mrs. Frank Jones, Box 201; Rose Hill; Woodrow Smith, Box 292, Wallace; Mrs. Joseph Brinkley, Wallace; Mrs. Hubert Boney, Teachey; Jimmy Croom, Rt. 1, Wallace; M. B. Cavenagh, Rt. 2, Wallace; Emily Blanchard, Box 132, Wallace; Rose Lee Herring, Rt. 3, Rose Hill; Mrs. Tommy Carter, Rt. 2, Wallace; Mrs. Hubert Benham, Wallace; Bill King, Rt. 2, Wallace; Emma Croom, Rt. 2, Wallace; Carol Teachey, Rt. 2, Wallace; Jimmie King, Rt. 2, Wallace; James B. Killpatrick, Teachey, and John King, Rt. 2, Wallace.

Adult Recreation Postponed Until Next Tuesday

A. J. Carr's Indians defeated Wilton Rivenbark's Cubs 8-5 in a Little League game played last Thursday night. A. J. Carr pitched for the Indians and hit a home run with 2 on. James Rivenbark hit a home run for the losers. A. J. Carr struck out 7 and walked 2. Wilton Rivenbark struck out 5 Indians and walked 1.

Little League Standings

	W	L	T
Indians	3	1	1
White Sox	3	1	1
Cubs	2	2	1
Dodgers	0	4	1

The local Little League was defeated 5-4 by D & E Used Cars in Wilmington last Saturday. William Wells pitched for Wallace. Wallace was leading 4-3 in the last inning. In the second game Wilton Rivenbark pitched and Tommy Herring caught. Godwin's Oil defeated Wallace 4-3. The local Little League will play two teams from Wilmington next Saturday afternoon in the local park at 3:30.

On Thursday night the local Little League will play a double-header in a league game. The Cubs will play the Dodgers and the Indians will play the White Sox.

The local American Legion team defeated Burgaw in Burgaw last Friday night 13 to 9. Richard Burrow Smith caught. Bob Hoursey provided a triple with the bases loaded in the 4th to give Wallace a 5 run lead. Sidbury started for Burgaw. He was relieved in the 3rd by Marshburn. Marshburn was relieved in the 5th by Smith. The local team will play Burgaw here next Friday night.

The adult recreation night will not be held this Tuesday night because of the 4th of July holidays. This was agreed to by team managers. The program will be resumed next week.

- Recreation Schedule**
- Monday, 5 p.m. — Legion baseball practice.
 - Tuesday, 9 a.m. — Cubs and Dodgers baseball practice.
 - Tuesday, 3 p.m. — White Sox and Indians baseball practice.
 - Wednesday, 9 a.m. — Legion baseball practice.
 - Wednesday, 9 a.m. — Girls' recreation.
 - Thursday, 9 a.m. — White Sox and Indians baseball practice.
 - Thursday, 3 p.m. — Cubs and Dodgers baseball practice.
 - Thursday, 5 p.m. — Legion baseball practice.
 - Thursday, 8 p.m. — Little League baseball double header: Cubs vs. Dodgers; White Sox vs. Indians.
 - Friday, 9 a.m. — Girls Recreation.
 - Friday, 9 a.m. — Yankees and Colts baseball practice.

Dairy Products Time Continues Throughout Year

Although the official June Dairy Month has come to a close, it doesn't mean that you can forget about your pledge to drink more milk and to use more milk and milk products in your meals.

The time for using milk stretches around the calendar — from January to January. Of course, in the summer, you want to keep cool.

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Wallace, Rose Hill Ladies Receive Posts

Mrs. Thell B. Overman of Wallace and Mrs. A. B. Lanier of Rose Hill were elected officers of the Goldsboro District of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, North Carolina Conference of Methodists.

Mrs. Overman was elected Secretary of Student Work and Mrs. Lanier was elected Secretary of Literature and Publications.

Mrs. H. I. Glass, President of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, North Carolina Conference, called a special meeting at the Goldsboro District Conference held in May at St. Luke's Methodist Church in Goldsboro to elect and install officers for the Goldsboro District.

New Legislation Is Aid To NC's Practical Nurses

The place of the Licensed Practical Nurse on the health team of North Carolina will be greatly strengthened by the action of the 1955 Legislature in two important ways, according to Miss Joyce Warren, Chairman of the North Carolina Board of Nurse Registration and Nursing Education.

The new legislation should provide for thoroughly trained practical nurses and for better licensing control of the group, she said.

Most important of these is the requirement of a 12 months course of training in an accredited school of practical nursing in order for the applicant to be eligible for the Practical Nurse Licensure Examination by the Board after July 1, 1956. Until that time persons desiring certification as a licensed practical nurse may take the examination after properly endorsed experience and informal training under the "waiver" provisions of the existing law.

A course or certificate from a commercial or correspondence school of practical nursing does not qualify a person for practical nurse licensure in North Carolina.

The second important phase of the new law is the strengthening of the licensure procedure required of the licensed practical nurse. The fee for the examination and initial certification is \$10.00. The annual licensure renewal fee has been increased from one dollar to two dollars, effective next January.

In addition a penalty fee of three dollars plus the renewal fee has been established for those who do not renew their license on or before January 1 of each year. The last examination to be given to the so-called "waiver" applicants will be on July 27 and November 9 of this year, and on March 21, of 1956. Applications must be on file with the Board by July 6 for the next examination and twenty to twenty-five days prior to each scheduled examination.

Mrs. Sawyer To Join Penderlea School Faculty

Mrs. Norma R. Sawyer will join the Penderlea school faculty, where she will teach the eighth grade. Mrs. Sawyer received her education at Vanceboro Farm Life School, High School, Vanceboro, North Carolina and attended East Carolina College, Greenville, North Carolina. She received her AB degree this summer.

Mrs. Sawyer has had thirteen years experience teaching at Maysville School in Jones County for two years, Conetoe School in Edgecombe County for seven years and until the present, she has taught for the past four years at Rocky Point School.

Mrs. Sawyer stated she had found eighth grade boys and girls an interesting age group to teach. "Many students," she said, "by the time they have reached the eighth grade, have learned to work independently. It is not unusual to find they have developed many fields of interest pertinent to everyday living and the problems of our day."

Mother Nature Overcomes Some Freeze Effects

The freeze of March 27-28 showed the ignorance of mere humans when it comes to the plant world, according to W. A. Stephen, extension beekeeper at State College.

Tulip trees, also known as yellow poplars, that were ready to bloom at the end of March were in a very critical condition and the freeze killed all the leaves and every visible sign of bloom.

"It looked as if the bloom was finished and that the bees, which depend on the tulip trees for a large percentage of nectar during the early honey flow, were to be deprived of that source," Stephen said. "However, the trees are making good. Seven weeks after the freeze the trees are in full leaf and, while not as full of bloom as indicated before the freeze, are showing many blossoms and it appears that the blooming period will be more prolonged.

"Since there are never enough

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Negro Seriously Cut In Affray Near Lake Tut

A Negro who was cut outside the fence at Lake Tut last night was in a very serious condition this morning.

Deputy Norwood Boone, who investigated, identified the Negro who was cut almost to death as Garlie Chasten, Jr., colored, of Rose Hill.

His assailant, Kirby Rochelle, is being held without bond pending the outcome of Chasten's injuries. When taken to the hospital he reportedly did not register anything on the blood pressure gauge.

He is charged with assault with deadly weapon inflicting serious bodily injuries.

VFW Meet

English-Brown Post No. 9161, Veterans of Foreign Wars, will meet Tuesday night at 8 o'clock.

There will be a feed and business meeting. All members are urged to be present.

Pumping Equipment Slowly Draining Lake To Recover Drowned Boy's Body

Fire departments from all towns in Duplin County were busy along with irrigation equipment this morning draining Hall's Lake in an effort to locate the body of a young Wilmington boy who drowned there about 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon.

Explorer Scouts from Wallace were on the scene as well as law enforcement officers from all over Duplin. The Scouts were probing and diving in the area the drowned youth was last seen as well as a wide surrounding area. Officers were directing traffic and rescue operations. The crowd at 8 o'clock had swelled to about three hundred people. Late yesterday afternoon and last night's crowd of onlookers was approximately 500, observers thought.

Wallace volunteer firemen and others dived continuously until after dark Sunday night in an effort to locate the body. Grappling hooks were also employed. However the efforts of divers as well as equipment was frustrated by the countless thousands of cypress knees, roots, stumps and debris on the bottom of the 20 acre pond.

The missing youth was identified as Billy Merritt, 18, a recent high school graduate. He is the son of James and Myrtle Merritt of Wilmington, formerly of this area. The family was visiting kinsmen nearby.

A crowd of people were seeking relief from the heat yesterday afternoon when the tragedy occurred. Merritt and a companion, William Johnson had started out in a boat to go around a tree on the far side of the lake, about 150 yards away. About fifteen yards from the tree, according to onlookers, the boat overturned. Johnson himself was nearly drowned. Merritt disappeared from sight.

When the grappling hooks and diving showed no signs of progress Henry Hall, owner of the lake, gave the go ahead sign for draining of the lake in an effort to recover the youth's body.

The fourteen inch drain of the lake had lowered the level about a yard during the night and additional pumping equipment to expedite the process was called in this morning. First on the scene shortly after eight o'clock was the former Army truck purchased by Rose Hill some time ago. A nearby farmer's International irrigation piece arrived next, followed within minutes by fire trucks from Wallace and Maxcolia. Others were on the way at latest reports as well as additional irrigation pieces.

The road was blocked by pipes carrying the water across.

The diving equipment of a man staying at Judge Henry Steven's cottage at the beach was also requested and being sought.

The lake where Merritt drowned covered about 20 acres, according to a topographical engineer. It was built about seven years ago and was used for fishing and bathing. It was on the same site where the present owner's father and ground corn into meal. It is located about two miles east of the Sampson-Duplin line west of Rose Hill.

A few men from the Clinton unit of the National Guard were also on hand this morning to assist in the rescue operation.

Signal Lights Required Now On Trucks & Buses

An amendment of the turn signaling law, effective July 1, provides that any motor vehicle in use on a North Carolina highway shall be equipped with, and required turn signals shall be given by, a signal lamp or lamps or mechanical signal device when the distance from the center of the top of the steering post to the left outside limit of the body, cab or load exceeds 24 inches, or when the distance from the same point on the steering post to the rear limit of the body or load exceeds 14 feet. The latter measurements applies to any single vehicle, also to any combination of vehicles except combinations operated by farmers in hauling farm products.

That part of the amendment which requires turn signaling equipment to be used, applies to the drivers of all vehicles owned or operated by the State of North Carolina, or any political subdivision thereof, or any city, town or district. Drivers of motor vehicles while actually engaged in work on the surface of a road are exempted, but not when traveling to and from such work.

Owners failing to install turn signaling equipment, or drivers failing to use it as required, are punishable by a fine of not less than \$10 nor more than \$50, or imprisoned for not more than 30 days for each offense.

The main object of the amendment is to bring about State-wide installation and use of turn signaling equipment on large motor vehicles on a mandatory basis. An incidental purpose is to end the confusion resulting from language in the turn signaling law that is so ambiguous as to have caused some owners of large motor vehicles to install signaling equipment on the assumption that it was compulsory, whereas other owners refused to do so without ever being prosecuted.

For many years Section 20-154 has permitted turn signals to be given by hand and arm or with signaling equipment subject to a proviso that signaling equipment

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Shoes, Trouser's Seat Removed By Passing Machine

A Negro changing a tire on the highway last night had the seat of his pants and shoes knocked off by a passing car.

Deputy Bertis Fussell, investigating officer, said the injured man was Dan Sykes, colored of Delway. The accident happened about 11 p.m. on a road west of Rose Hill on a county paved road.

Sykes was squatting on the highway working on the deflated pneumatic when two cars approached the spot from different directions.

The one on his side knocked his shoes off and tore his trousers off as it passed. Sykes was taken to a Rose Hill physician suffering from hip injuries.

District Official To Be Present At Meeting Tonight

Quincy J. Sutton of Warsaw will make his official visit to the Wallace Masonic Lodge No. 595 tonight.

All Master Masons are invited to attend.

Sutton is District Deputy Grand Master of the 47th Masonic District, which includes the Wallace lodge.

Appointments Announced By Methodists

The following appointments were announced as the North Carolina Methodist Conference at Fayetteville broke up last week:

Faison, Harold D. Minor; Rose Hill, C. E. Vale; Wallace, W. D. Caviness; Warsaw, I. T. Poole and retired, W. C. Benson of Wallace.

5,444 Non-Farm Commercial Workers In Duplin; 4 Employing More Than 100

In mid-March 1953 about 5,444 non-farm commercial and industrial employees in Duplin County received taxable wages under the old-age and survivors insurance program, N. A. Avera, manager of the Wilmington Social Security district office, said today.

During the first quarter of 1953, 676 reporting units of employers of commercial and industrial employees covered by the program paid some \$26,690,000.00 in wages taxable under social security in the County.

The largest proportion of employment, 2726 employees, was in standard major industry groups with 52 employed in public utility positions. In March 1953 Duplin County had four employing units with 100 or more employees.

These and numerous other figures on employment, payrolls and employing units for the county, state and the nation, appear in County Business Patterns, first quarter, just released. Issued under joint sponsorship of the Bureau of Old-Age and Survivors Insurance and the Bureau of the Census, the newly published edition of County Business Patterns is the seventh in a series showing county and industry statistics based on wage reports filed under the Federal old-age and survivors insurance program. County Business Patterns, Mr. Avera pointed out, is a compilation of statistics derived as a by-product of Bureau of Old-Age and Survivors Insurance accounting operations under which records are maintained of social security taxable earnings received by every person covered by the Federal insurance program.

Employment and payroll data for more than 43 million employees and 3.2-3 million reporting units of employers covered by the program were tabulated to provide the figures which appear in this edition.

Reference copies of CBP bulletins may be examined at field offices of the U. S. Department of Commerce, at district offices of the Bureau of Old-Age and Survivors Insurance, and at many public and college libraries, Mr. Avera said.