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SLOW DOWN AND LIVE — Warsaw Lions Bill Vann and C. W. Hinson pass out literature at the safety checking station east of Warsaw Saturday afternoon. The safety campaign was sponsored by the Lions assisted by the State Highway Patrol. (Staff Photo)

Beulaville Businessman Named As Duplin's New Tax Collector

Harry Phillips, Beulaville businessman, was yesterday appointed by the County Board of Commissioners to the Tax Collector's job. Phillips will take over the office currently held by Gilbert Alphin on September 1st. The Commissioners experienced an extraordinarily long session on Wednesday although few other than routine matters and reports were heard. They convened at 10 a.m. and were in session continuously, except for a lunch break, until five p.m. The Commissioners met on Wednesday instead of the usual Monday on account of the Fourth of July holiday on the scheduled day. Adoption of the budget and hearing of fiscal year reports took up considerable time as did discussion of a resolution of the Concord and Magnolia Baptist Churches. The budget as previously published was adopted. Reports were heard from the farm agent, forest ranger, tax collector, service

officer and welfare officer. The Concord and Magnolia churches entered a four point program which would (1) put "Keep North Carolina Green," "Smoke" and 4-H emblem signs on highways; (2) encourage school children to write 2,000 word composition and establish prizes; (3) endorse a county-wide Soil Conservation Sunday with all ministers, white and colored, encouraged to preach on that topic, and (4) encourage building of ponds and digging of spring holes for irrigation. Only four of the Commissioners were present. Lott Kornegay of Warsaw recently underwent an operation and was unable to be present. Commissioners J. B. Stroud and Leon Brown voted for Phillips to be the new Tax Collector while E. E. Kelly favored Alphin. The vote was 2-1 with Chairman A. C. Hall not voting. Phillips will take over the job on September 1st. Alphin has held the position since September 1st, 1947 when he replaced I. N. Henderson of Wallace.

Phillips Promises To Do His Very Best In New Job As Tax Collector

Harry Phillips, who will take over the job of County Tax Collector on September 1st as a result of action taken by the Board of County Commissioners yesterday, was born and raised in Kenansville, and is currently a successful farmer and Beulaville business man. In an interview with this newspaper this morning he promised "to do my duty to the very best of my ability". Continuing, he said, "The job of Tax Collector should and will be carried out impartially and I shall do my best to see that all citizens are treated fairly and with consideration." Phillips, who will see his 31st birthday this month, lives in Warsaw Township near West's Siding about five miles east of Warsaw. He is a farmer and runs a V-C fertilizer agency in north Beulaville. He has had the latter post five years. He is a graduate of King's Business College of Raleigh and spent

32 months in the Merchant Marine during World War II. He is a Mason and member of Johnson's Baptist Church near Warsaw where he has held the post of Sunday School Superintendent for several years. Although active in politics for the past five years he has never held political office before. The new Tax Collector is one of several sons of Mr. and Mrs. Abner Phillips of Warsaw Township. All are living. In addition to himself they are: Hubert, prominent Kenansville attorney and County Court judge; Graham, farmer and oil company worker; Norwood, veteran's school instructor at Beulaville and farmer; Herman, fertilizer dealer and farmer; William C., psychiatrist at Yale University; and Tommy, Warsaw garage operator and farmer. He is married to the former Betty Jean Wells of near Rose Hill, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Cecil R. Wells. They have one son, Harry, Jr., aged 4.

Ground Observer Posts To Take Part In Exercise

The Continental Air Defense Command will hold a nationwide exercise "Skytrain V", Saturday, July 9, to test the operational efficiency of low altitude surveillance and interception by the Ground Observer Corps. The Observation Posts in the 57 Counties of North Carolina under the Durham Air Defense Filter Center area of responsibility will go into operation for 12 hours beginning at 9:00 a.m. Aircraft from the Air Force, Navy and Marine Corps will participate in this exercise. After the exercise "Skytrain V" a show for the entertainment of the volunteers will be held in the Filter Center auditorium. The entertainment will begin at 9:30 p.m. to be followed by a dance to the Filter Center Combo. All volunteers are urged to attend and a cordial welcome to the general public is extended. Ground Observer Posts in this area will participate in this exercise. The federal Government has decided to man some thirty-five secret headquarters outside the capitol with a highly trained skeleton staff that will take over executive operations in the event of an emergency.

Motorist Answer To Vacation Traffic Problem Says Patrol

"What's the answer to the vacation traffic problem? You are Mr. Motorist!" In those words Major D. T. Lambert of the State Highway Patrol this week aquired pinned responsibility for the heavy annual toll of vacation traffic deaths on the drivers themselves. "It is my firm belief that most vacation-time auto accidents can be laid at the door of impatient and discourteous drivers," said Major Lambert. "These Hurry Bugs are so intent on cramming their vacations full of activity and pleasure that they don't take time to drive safely." The major suggested a more relaxed attitude as a safe guard for the driver. He pointed out that a vacation is a time to take it easy and enjoy a little fun. "There's very little fun in making an over-ambitious schedule and trying to keep up with it no matter what happens," Major Lambert went on. He advised motorists to get an early start each day and to cover just as much territory as they can manage without strain. These two things, he pointed out, will remove the pressure to drive at a speed too fast for conditions and to disregard traffic signs and signals and to ignore the ordinary rules of courtesy on the road.

Wallace Plays Burgaw In Local Park Tomorrow

The local Wallace American Legion Baseball team will play Burgaw in the local park Friday night with the game scheduled to get underway at eight p.m. Wallace defeated Burgaw 13-8 last Friday night in Burgaw. Bob Hursley hit a triple with the bases loaded. Richard Burrows pitched and Woodrow Smith caught. Next Monday night, July 11, Wallace will play Wilmington here in the local park.

Wilmington Dentist To Open Office Here, Nights

Dr. W. B. Bellios, Wilmington dentist, has arranged to be in Wallace three evenings a week to help take care of the dental needs of the public in this territory. He plans to be in Dr. Zibelin's office each Monday, Wednesday and Friday from five to nine p.m. He will use Dr. Bland's reception room. Anyone desiring to make an appointment may call Dr. Bland's office, 4251, and he will be glad to handle the matter for Dr. Bellios. If calls are made after five p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday, Dr. Bellios will be there to take care of them himself.

Dr. Bland stated that with the school and college opening season fast approaching the tremendous number of school children and college students to be cared for, the area is indeed fortunate in having Dr. Bellios come to Wallace to help relieve some of the congestion. Amateur camera fans in the area are invited to aim their cameras at typical summer scenes with an eye to entering this event. No one will be restricted unless he is a professional photographer, that is, earns his living by taking pictures. There is no limit as to kinds of cameras that may be used in entering the contest, said Lloyd Whaley, manager of Wallace Drug. "We welcome snapshots of all kinds."



AT LACKLAND — Ressie A. Hardison, 18, son of John R. Hardison of Teachey, is completing his Air Force basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, the "Gateway to the Air Force." His Lackland training is preparing him for entrance into Air Force technical training or for an Air Force duty assignment. The course includes a scientific evaluation of his aptitudes and inclination for following a particular career field. Lackland is situated near San Antonio, Texas. Whaley said he hoped everyone who was interested in photography would take advantage of the contest. Three prizes will be awarded, he said, with the prizes being displayed during the contest period in his window.

Rose Hill Man Dies In Chapel Hill Hospital

Fred O. Hollingsworth, 67, of Rose Hill, died in the North Carolina Memorial Hospital, Chapel Hill, Monday after a brief illness. Mr. Hollingsworth was born in Duplin County, son of the late Killip and Mrs. Ezra Johnson Hollingsworth. He is survived by two daughters, Mrs. C. G. Gervis and Mrs. J. W. Horner, Fayetteville; two sons, F. Ellis Hollingsworth, of Mitchell, Ind., and William C. Hollingsworth, U. S. Navy, Washington, D. C.; four brothers, Lloyd H., Lakeland, Fla., Robert H., Kenansville, Macon and Davis Hollingsworth, Warsaw; three sisters, Mrs. Jacob Barron and Mrs. Estelle Henderson of Scotland Neck, and Mrs. Roberta Rouse, Rose Hill; and six grandchildren. Funeral services were held at 4 p.m. yesterday at the Quinn-McGowan Funeral Home in Warsaw, conducted by the Rev. H. M. Baker of Warsaw. Interment was in the Magnolia Cemetery at Magnolia. Condition and yield reports made by growers as of June 1 indicated a N. C. rye crop of 266,000 bushels. This is about the same as the 1954 crop.

Wilmington Boy's Body Recovered From Hall's Pond

The body of Billy Merritt, 18-year-old Wilmington boy, was recovered from Hall's Pond at noon Monday. A human chain of Wallace Explorer Scouts was starting across the 20-acre pond when two of the Scouts and one of three citizens in the chain stepped on the body simultaneously. Coroner Garland Kennedy ruled the recent New Hanover High School graduate came to his death as a result of accidental drowning and no inquest would be necessary. The body was found about five minutes after twelve as a Fourth of July holiday crowd estimated to number between 250 and 300 looked on. Fire engines from Rose Hill and Wallace were utilized in pumping water across the dam and into a gully across the road in an effort to locate the body which was found about fifty yards on the north side of where he was last seen. The lake drains toward the south. Fire departments of all towns in Duplin were summoned to help in the draining of the lake early on Monday morning. Rose Hill and Wallace departments were utilized as well as eight farm irrigation pumps. The Kenansville fire truck also came but was sent back as that community only has one fire truck.

Merritt was in a boat with a younger brother and cousin when the small craft overturned. The other two succeeded in swimming out safely. Merritt made a valiant struggle but disappeared from sight after coming up three times. He was the son of James and Myrtle Merritt of Wilmington, formerly of this area. The family was visiting kinsmen in the area when the holiday tragedy occurred in mid-afternoon Sunday. The lake is owned by Henry Hall. It is on the same site where his father owned a lake many years ago and ground corn meal until his dam broke. The present dam is wide enough for two cars to pass on top.

The degree to which the future of the flue-cured tobacco industry hinges on the program of Tobacco Associates depends entirely on the extent to which each and every farmer responds with full and unlimited support of the organization. Reinforced with the interest and support of every farmer, Tobacco Associates could become the single most important factor in expansion of our flue-cured export markets. Since formation in 1947, Tobacco Associates has been an integral part of our farm program, supplementing the price support and production adjustment measures in the comprehensive plan designed for improvement of farm economy. In a similar manner, the North Carolina Peanut Growers Association has been working for the past two years to raise the living standard of peanut farmers. Officials of the organization have used assessment funds, approved by farmers in a 1953 referendum, to finance research, marketing and advertising of the Virginia-type peanut. Both the peanut and tobacco assessment programs are scheduled for vote on July 23, and it is imperative that every farmer understand at this time the function of his self-help programs. The Tobacco Associates organization during the past eight years has devoted full time and effort towards expansion of export markets upon which farmers depend for the sale of at least one-third of every flue-cured crop. One-third of every crop must go overseas so that healthy marketing can be maintained at home. Last year, 3 acres out of every 10 went abroad. This important one-third mounted to 422,000,000 pounds, and brought flue-cured growers \$223,000,000 an average of \$215 an acre. If our foreign markets can be retained we will successfully combat the sharp increase of foreign competition that has come about in recent years, even despite the fact that progressive strides are being made in foreign areas, both in quality of leaf grown and in the amount being sold. But if the United States loses its overseas outlets, they will in all likelihood never be regained. For this reason tobacco farmers need the Tobacco Associates program. In connection with tobacco assessments, farmers should stand squarely behind the government's marketing quota program. This issue, too, will be decided July 23. Flue-cured farmers have the alternative of continuing quotas for one year or for three years or not at all. Our overall farm program demands that we continue the production adjustment principle as manifested by marketing quotas. Our peanut program, as embodied in the North Carolina Peanut Growers Association, is also a growing necessity. Working closely with processors manufacturers and shellers, Peanut Association officials have developed a more favorable marketing program for growers of the Virginia-type peanut. In addition, the Association has established extensive research projects designed to improve production and harvesting methods, and has participated in a nationwide peanut advertising program conducted by the National Peanut Council. For continuing growth and expansion Tobacco Associates and the North Carolina Peanut Grow-

Sales, Use Tax Collections Show Increase Duplin

Sales and use tax collections in Duplin County for May totaled \$224,908.88, going above the \$222,282.07 of the month before and the \$19,379.31 of May of 1954. In Wayne County collections for May totaled \$72,056.19, a considerable increase over the \$69,840.15 of the month before and the \$65,961.79 of May of 1954. The continuing increase in collections evidence a continued good business trend. In Johnston County collections in May amounted to \$45,078.64, comparing with \$42,078.64 the month before and \$42,409.84 for May of 1954. In nearby Sampson County collections totaled \$27,468.45 for May, well above the \$24,712.91 the month prior and the \$21,785.43 of May of 1954. Collections in Goldsboro alone totaled \$57,809.56 for May, going above the \$54,286.07 of the month prior and the \$52,081.94 of May of 1954.

Funeral Services John E. McNellis Held Thursday

John Edward McNellis, age 60, who resided near Wallace, died on Wednesday morning in Sampson Memorial Hospital at Clinton after having been seriously ill since Saturday. Funeral services were held from the home this afternoon (Thursday) at 3:30 o'clock by Rev. Vance Rich, pastor of the Northeast Free Will Baptist Church, assisted by Rev. Orbie Carter of Wallace and Rev. King Brown of Burgaw. Interment was in the Family Cemetery near the home. He is survived by his wife; two daughters, Misses Hattie Margaret and Rosa Lee McNellis, and one foster daughter, Kathy McNellis, all of the home; one brother, Billie McNellis of Wallace.



DEAN'S LIST — Miss Loretta Johnson, member of the Pharmacy School of the University of North Carolina, made the Dean's List during the last semester. At the end of the first semester she was invited into the Kappa Epsilon, an honorary sorority. The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Johnson of Harrells, Loretta was also valedictorian of the graduation class of '54 at Franklin High School, Harrells.

Farmers Urged To Support Tobacco Asso. Program

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Marriage Licenses

Marriage Licenses issued by the Duplin County Register of Deeds office during the month of June, 1955, were as follows: Kenneth Royal Dupree, Albertson, Virginia Charlotte Outlaw, Deep Run. James Owen Johnson, Kenansville, Sarah West Outlaw, Kenansville. George Lofquist, Swannanoa, Joanne Jackson, Wallace. Theodore G. Brentworth, Beulaville, Hazel Brown Kennedy, Beulaville. Charles Thomas Preston, Winston-Salem, Joy Craver Taylor, Magnolia. Williams Isaac Ives, Burgaw, Barbara Louise Carter, Wallace. Raymond Richard Unagst, Springtown, Pa., Shirley Ann Lawrence, Wallace. Larry Wilson Harper, Albertson, Ila Marie Kornegay, Route 2, Mt. Olive. Sidney A. Blizard, Beulaville, Thelma Ann Houston, Kenansville. Eldridge Guy Batchelor, Beulaville, Dorothy Wade Bryan, Onslow County. James Dixon Wilson, Rose Hill, Sherry Faye Lockerman, Rose Hill. Frank Steiner Sexton, Tampa, Fla., Doris Carole Coulter, Tampa, Fla. Nathaniel Robinson, Route 2, Pink Hill, Arlene Vann, Route 2, Mt. Olive. Herman Teachey, Route 2, Wallace, Laura Bryant, Duplin County.

License Penalty

A five per cent penalty will be due on all privilege licenses during the month of July, it was announced by Miss Helen Hunt, Wallace Town Clerk, today. ers Association need the endorsement of every farmer at the polls on July 23, and beyond that their lasting support and interest. Specifically, the issues involved in these referendums are whether or not assessments will be continued. Flue-cured leaf farmers will vote on continuance of the 10 cents per harvested tobacco acre assessment, while peanut growers will decide whether to assess themselves 2 cent per hundred pounds of peanuts. These assessment rates are proposed for each of the next three years through 1958.

AA To Hold Area Inter-Group Meet Wallace Sunday

An Inter-Group meeting of Alcoholics Anonymous for all Eastern North Carolina will be held in Wallace Sunday, co-sponsored by the Wallace and Warsaw AA Groups. A spokesman for the two groups said today that a large crowd will be here from all over the eastern section of North Carolina for the big meeting Sunday. Dave C. of Greensboro, will make the main address when the convocation begins at 3:00 o'clock at the beautiful Wallace American Legion building. Worth W., also of Greensboro, will be master of ceremonies for the occasion. Refreshments will be served immediately following the main address by the Ladies Auxiliary of both groups. "This is an open meeting and we particularly invite and urge the general public to come and be with us," the spokesman declared. The Sunday meeting in Wallace will be the first time a town so small has had the honor of being host to an Inter-Group meeting.

Holiday Road Checks Sponsored By Lions Clubs

Road checking stations were maintained on each of the four days of the recent holiday weekend by the Lions Clubs of Warsaw and Wallace assisted by the State Highway Patrol. Safety literature urging each motorist stopped to slow down and live was given and a wreck depicting the evils of speed as manifested by one or more killed pointed out. The wrecks were towed to the two spots near Warsaw through the courtesy of the Warsaw Motor Company and the two spots near Wallace through the courtesy of the Cavenagh Chevrolet Company, Chevrolet dealers in their respective towns. A safety station was maintained on 117 south of Warsaw Friday afternoon and on N. C. 24 of Warsaw on Saturday afternoon. Bill Vann and C. W. Hinson manned the post on both days. Safety stations were maintained on N. C. 41 east of Wallace on Sunday and on 117 north of Wallace Monday afternoon. Manning the station Sunday were Bob Murray and Robert Frank Boone and on Monday were Bob Murray and David Henderson. There were no fatalities or serious accidents in Duplin County during the four-day week end which ended at midnight Monday although one of eighteen in the state occurred in neighboring Pender County.