

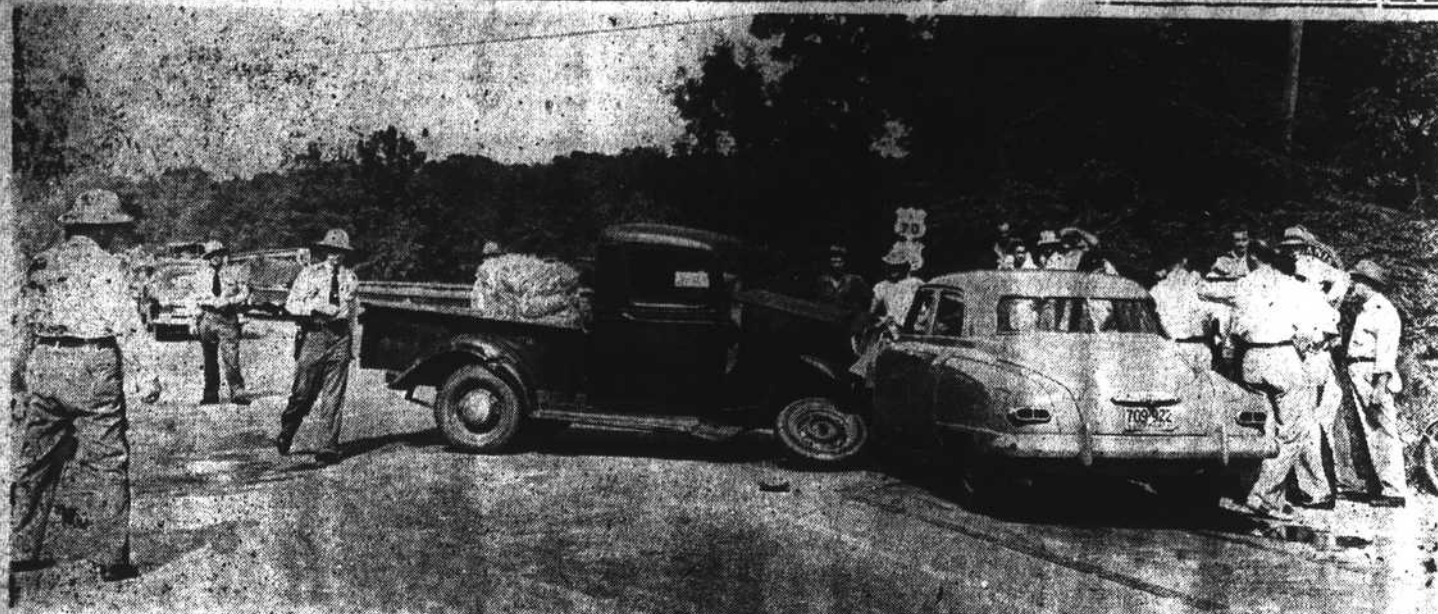
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In the two pictures here two of the Kinston area's biggest headaches are most graphically illustrated. Above is just one more accident—fortunately not fatal—that took place in the mad traffic tangle that funnels over 10,000 cars per day into and out of Kinston. Harried Highway Patrolmen are trying to get the details of the accident and at the same time keep the never-ending banks of traffic flowing from the half-dozen highways that pass through the bottleneck here at the LaRoque Bridge on the eastern edge of Kinston. Below, a dozen or so official assistants and morbidly cu-

rious watch as the body of Willie E. Bundy is dragged out of rain-swollen Neuse River. Both these pictures were taken within 100 feet of each other. Dundy, a Kinston construction worker, had been missing for about ten days from his home, but none of his family had reported his absence to police officials. When found Bundy's body was in a badly deteriorated condition but continuing investigation has failed to turn up any evidence of foul play in his death. This is the second such death this summer and police are inclined to credit Bundy's death to the nearly emptied bottle found in a pocket of his trousers. (Whitaker-Leffew Photo)

## COMMERCE OFFICERS

New President of the Kinston Chamber of Commerce is, Douglas L. Baker, well-known grocery store operator. He was elected by the board of directors after the new members of that body had been installed. The new directors, to serve for three years by election by the membership are William S. Page, Paul T. Baker, George Knott, Jr., Jesse F. Oglesby, W. G. Bailey and Jack Skinner.

Other officers elected by the directors were Felix Harvey, vice-president; R. A. Whitaker, national councillor; Haywood Weeks, treasurer; and Charles L. McCullers, re-elected Executive manager. It was voted by the officers to begin the Chamber's membership drive on Thursday.

## PATROLMAN LEAVES

The bad news is getting around in Jones County that it's losing one of its favorite citizens—State Highway Patrolman Bill Clagon. He will be transferred to Morehead City on September 15, after ten years of service to Jones County. One bright part of the bad news, however, is that the transfer means a promotion for the county's favorite state officer. Sheriff Jeter Taylor said that the transfer will not only be a loss to Jones County's law enforcement, but to the community life of Trenton as well, where Bill Clagon and his family have taken an active part.

## Potato Demonstration

Henry W. Covington, extension sweet potato specialist from State College, will conduct a digging, grading, packing and marketing demonstration of sweet potatoes on the farm of Forrest Waller of Kinston Route three at 9:30 a. m. Tuesday, September 20. County Agent Joe Koonce, Jr., urges all persons interested in sweet potatoes as a commercial crop to make a point of attending this session and benefiting from the information that will be made available there. Waller's farm is on Highway 70 about a mile east of Kelly's Millpond on the New Bern Highway.

Output of smoking tobacco in 1948 was nearly 108 million pounds—a gain of about three million pounds over 1947.



## Sentiment Overwhelming In Favor One Consolidated High School In Jones County At Friday Meeting

The Jones County Courthouse at Trenton was filled on Friday morning by the patrons of the county's school system for a discussion of the direction the growth of the system should take. Overwhelming sentiment was expressed for the establishment of a central consolidated high school, to be located between Trenton and Pollockville, half-way between Maysville and Comfort.

The vote for the consolidated school was 122, and the only other alternative to get a vote—to leave the schools as they are now—received 22 votes. The third alternative presented by Schools Superintendent W. B. Moore—to establish two high schools—received no votes, but a group of citizens from the Comfort section said they felt a school should be located in that end of the county.

The discussion, at the invitation of Superintendent Moore, was opened by Charles I. Ellington of Maysville, and others heard on the one-school alternative were the Rev. James Stout of Maysville, Commander Bruce Johnson of the Trenton American Legion post, the Trenton Woman's Club and Rotary Club representatives, Roland Mallard, Edward Parker, Mrs. Vera Pollock and others. Principal speaker against the one-school consolidation was Ralph Jones of Comfort.

It was admitted that one central school would impose an extra hardship of travel on some students, but the general sentiment was that the advantages from one large school to the students would far outweigh it. The discussion of the merits of the one-school plan continued on the

street in Trenton long after the meeting was over.

The County Board of Education continued its meeting after hearing the sentiments of the citizens expressed, but no definite action could be taken. Superintendent Moore explained that the findings of a planning board under his direction would be submitted to the county board for recommendation to the State Board of Education. Then, if agreement was reached, the State monies allocated for school construction in Jones County would be spent. The amount available, Superintendent Moore said, is \$335,401.38 net, after deduction of one-fourth of one per cent for administrative expense and bond sale expense.

## BARGAINS IN COVER CROPS, PASTURES OFFERED BY P.M.A.

The Production and Marketing Administration (AAA) of both Jones and Lenoir Counties is now offering farmers maximum assistance in acquiring the necessary materials to seed a good winter cover crop and establish good permanent pastures. The announcements have been made by Secretary Nelson Barker in Trenton and by Secretary Horace Mewborn in Kinston.

Purchase orders are now being issued by the offices that enable farmers to obtain seed, fertilizer and limestone at a fraction of the cost. The bargain to the farmers is being underwritten in Jones County by a \$25,000 fund and in Lenoir County by a \$75,000 fund. It has been pointed out that the weather and moisture conditions are now ideal for the work, and farmers are urged to make immediate application for the grants, any day except Saturday.

The saving in the cover crop and pasture work amounts to from 30 to 75 per cent to the farmer. Included in the cover crop seed is Austrian winter peas, hairy vetch, crimson clover and Italian ryegrass. In pastures, for one mixture the PMA will pay \$18.14 of the \$26.79 cost, and in another \$16.45 of a \$26.50 cost.

## TOBACCO HALF SOLD IN LENOIR COUNTY

Fred Albritton, superintendent of Lenoir County's biggest tobacco acreage, says that half his crop has already been sold. Farm Bureau President John Shackelford from Vance Township says about the same percentage of the crop is missing from the pack houses in his neighborhood. Both Shackelford and Albritton agree that another 15 selling days will see most of the crop gone in this part of the state.

Albritton, whose farms are scattered over a wide area in the county says he feels that his crop may be taken as a rough average for the county and along with County Agent Joe Koonce believes that fully half the local crop has hit the sales floors.

Albritton also says that in spite of the five per cent acreage increase granted this year the acres he superintends are going to come up at least 25,000 pounds below that of last year.

## SENIOR OFFICERS NAMED

Thomas Harold Quinn was recently elected president of the Senior Class of Pink Hill High School for the coming school year. Other officers named were Harold Williamson, vice president; Barbara Howard, secretary; Carolyn Smith, treasurer; Betty Jean Davis, assistant treasurer and Peggy Jo Stroud, reporter.

## DOVE SEASON NOTE

After 12 o'clock noon Friday (September 16th) the dove season will be open for 15 days in North Carolina. This first part of the season will end September 30th. Doves may only be hunted from noon until sundown and no gun holding more than three shells may be legally used in shooting them. All hunters must naturally have hunting licenses before indulging in any kind of shooting. The bag limit per day is 10 doves.