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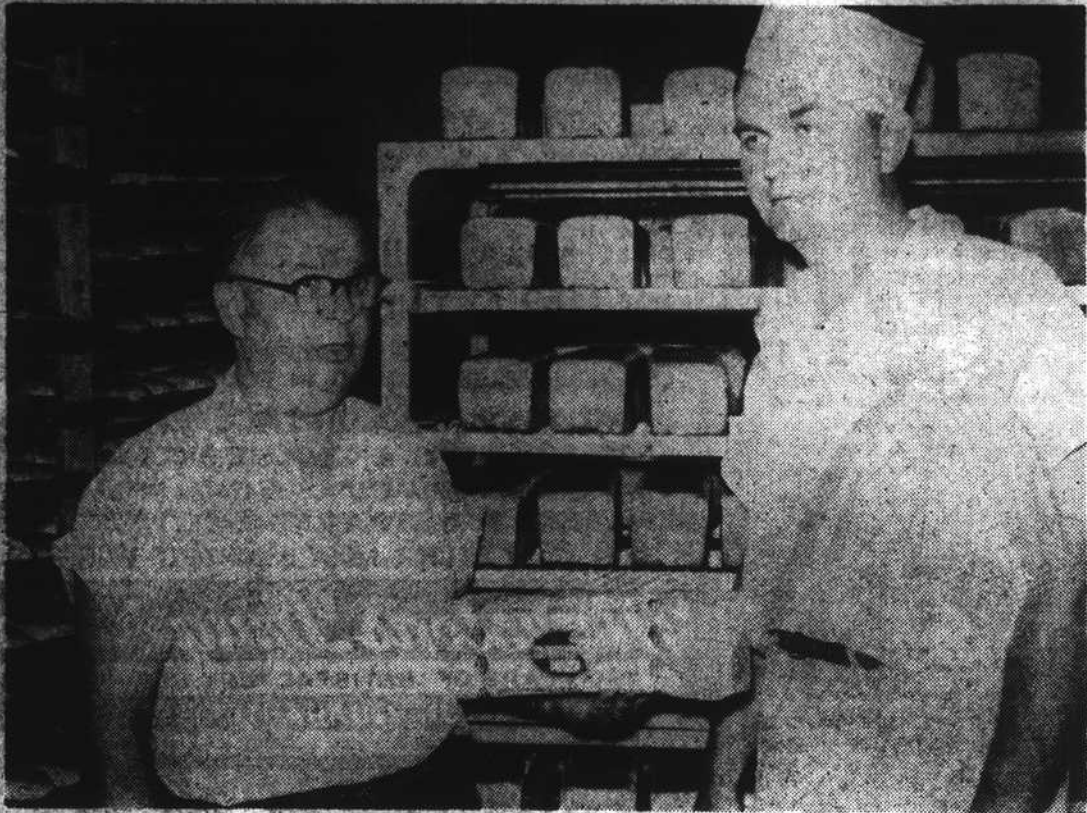
"A BETTER COUNTY THROUGH IMPROVED FARM PRACTICES"

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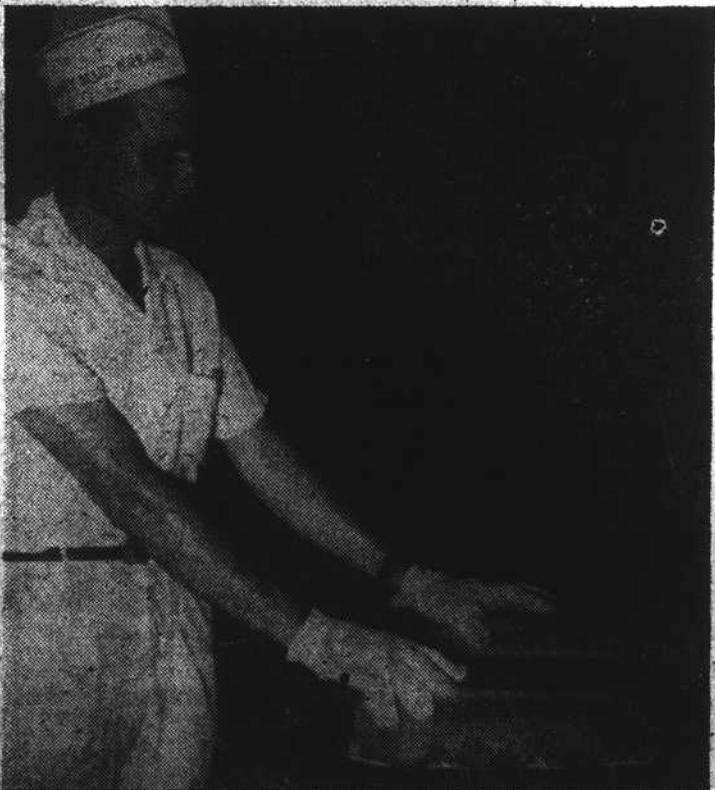
## 'Dainty Maid' Kinston's Fastest Growing Young Lady



From left to right above are "Shorty" and "Sparky" who are officially known as C. R. Long, and Walter L. Hood, founders and owners of the "Dainty Maid" bakery in Kinston which is now getting a new home built north of Kinston on the Snow Hill Highway. The "Dainty Maid" business which just passed its 12th birthday anniversary on May 10th, is one of Kinston's fastest growing businesses.



"Dainty Maid" bakery worker Donnie Ray Lewis is seen above tossing a huge hunk of dough into one of the king-sized mixing machines which enables the local bakery to turn out more than 200,000 pounds of bread per week.



"Dainty Maid" bakery worker L. E. Robinson, equipped with asbestos gloves, is seen above taking the piping hot loafs of bread fresh from the oven and placing them on a rack where after about an hour of cooling they go to the slicing and wrapping machine which slices, wraps and seals 32 loaves per minute.

There are people, and some non-descript political parties, who would argue that it has been impossible for new businesses to start, to flourish and to expand under the past years of so-called High Democratic Party taxes. Although there are many examples of how wrong such an argument actually is, one of the most persuasive is the strictly home-grown and still growing "Dainty Maid Bakery" in Kinston.

Started with seven men and women on May 10, 1941, and now just past its 12th birthday anniversary, "Dainty Maid" bread is now on far more tables and tongues than ever before in its rapidly lifetime and present plans aim at putting it into far more tummies in the near future.

Among that original seven who hung out their bread and rolls shingles at the corner of Gordon and Heritage streets in Kinston 12 years ago are four that still remain with this flourishing enterprise. President C. R. "Shorty" Long, Vice-President, Mrs. C. R. (Ella Mae) Long, Secretary-Treasurer Walter L. (Sparky) Hood, and Mrs. Mary Dail. Mrs. Long and Hood are children of the late W. A. Hood and were born in the Pollocksville section of Jones County.

President Long is a native Lenoir Countian, having first seen the light of day in Trent Township. He is the son of the late Levi Nicholas Long.

Now under construction less than a mile north of Kinston on the Snow Hill Highway is a large and modern new home for "Dainty Maid" and the people who keep it dainty and delicious. After 12 years of rapid, almost phenomenal growth the old group of buildings at the corner of Gordon and Heritage has proven inadequate and the need of more efficient as well as larger quarters caused the new building to be started last month.

Today something over 200,000 pounds of bread are baked and delivered each week by the "Dainty Maid" organization which has multiplied from that original small beginning into an outfit that today boasts 29 "inside workers" and 18 route salesmen who chauffeur the 23 trucks belonging to the company. Toast from the "Dainty Maid" ovens is buttered as far north as Fountain up in Edgecombe County and as far south as Wilming-

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## John Larkins Rumored Headed Back to Raleigh In State Treasurer Job

Senator John Larkins of Trenton who just got out of Raleigh after more than four months of having his head beaten against the exceedingly heavy legislative walls as chairman of the Senate Appropriations Committee is strongly rumored as heading back to Wake County to take over the \$10,000 per year post as State Treasurer which is being vacated on Just 1st by Brandon Hodges who is moving up to a more lucrative post in private business.

Larkins himself is keeping quiet on the subject, which is unusual for him, since he is recognized as one of the best "freehold talkers and impromptu speechmakers" between Manteo and Murphy.

Larkins did admit that some Raleigh News and Observer seem exceedingly anxious to get him out of Jones County since everytime a vacancy of any kind pops up or talk of candidates for any public office is mentioned it is reported in various and sundry "newspapers" that Lar-

kins is being "prominently mentioned, has the inside track or would not be bashful about such a plum."

Larkins is, as every crossroads politician already knows, one of the key men in the Umstead organization and has played an increasingly important part in state affairs, having served for the past two terms of the General Assembly as chairman of the senate appropriations committee which automatically makes him a member of the Governor's advisory budget commission.

One recent bit of high newspaper conjecture had Larkins running for the United States Senate against Willis Smith, but Larkins says this was one bit of news that he had to get from newspapers since he knew nothing of any such wild and woolly plans.

This paper as may well join the rumor parade by expressing its belief that Larkins may very likely accept the post Hodges leaves on June 1st.

## Juvenile Judge Whitaker Has Tough Job Tuesday

Jones County Juvenile Judge Murray Whitaker had a tough case to decide upon Tuesday as a worried grandmother contested the right of a lonesome mother to take her children away from the home of the grandmother.

The argument started Tuesday morning when Mrs. Flora Mae Frites Brown came for her two small children who were in the home of their grandmother, Mrs. Estelle Brown, in Trenton. The grandmother testified in the hearing before Whitaker that the mother had been gone for three weeks on a "drunken brawl." Henry Brown, son of Mrs. Brown and father of the two children, is on duty with the army in Korea.

The mother of the children, a native of Hawaii, came to visit her husband's people in Jones County in April while he was on leave prior to going overseas. Shortly after the soldier-husband left for Korea the grandmother testifies that the mother left the two children in Kinston

and supposedly went to visit her mother in Washington, D. C. The grandmother testified that the trip to Washington by the Hawaiian-born mother was an "out-and-out lie" and that she had actually been staying in and around Kinston.

The children soon after the mother's alleged departure for Washington had been returned to Trenton to the home of their grandmother. The grandmother asked Judge Whitaker to give her custody of the children until she got a letter from her son in Korea. The mother wanted immediate custody of the children. She said she was busy finding a place to live in Kinston.

Whitaker ordered that the children remain with the grandmother in Trenton until the mother could establish a suitable and acceptable residence and after such residence and environment had been checked by Jones and Lenoir County Welfare Department officials.

## Jones-Onslow Co-op Asking for \$960,000 Extend Power Lines

If federal approval is received as expected some 600 families in Jones and Onslow counties may soon have electric power service that now lack this important factor in modern living.

On Monday of this week the State REA office approved an application from the Jones-Onslow Electric Membership Corporation for \$960,000 which includes funds for a headquarters building and new lines to 600 rural homes.

At present the Jones-Onslow co-op serves farm and suburban dwellings in a four-county area, including several hundred in the southern end of Lenoir County's Woodington and Pink Hill Townships.

## Three Jones Arrests

Jones County Sheriff Jeter Taylor reports just three arrests during the past week. Minnie Odessa Turnage of Arapahoe in Pamlico County is under \$250 bond charged with abandoning her six minor children. J. W. Deal, Jr., of Jacksonville was arrested by Patrolman Marvin Thomas on charge of being drunk on the highway and Bennie F. Eubanks of Pollocksville was charged with being publicly drunk. Thomas was unable to get witnesses to testify that Deal was driver of the car that had been driven into a ditch along US 17 and in which Deal was found.

An estimated 67.5 per cent of all farms purchased in the U. S. during the fiscal year ending March 1953 were bought on credit.