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THIS MARKET IS CAPABLE OF GIVING SERVICE MIXED WITH ABSOLUTE COURTESY—TRY IT

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MARTIN COUNTY LOSES ONE OF ITS PROMINENT MEN

Mr. Eli Taylor Succumbs To An Attack of Pneumonia

Mr. Eli Taylor, one of Martin county's most prominent farmers and business men, died at his home near Williamston Tuesday night at 7:30, from an attack of pneumonia from which he had suffered for about a week.

Mr. Taylor was 75 years old and was one of a large family of children, all preceding him to the grave except two brothers, Mr. Daniel Taylor and J. Lawrence Taylor, who live near Williamston.

He married Miss Sarah V. Mobley, who died about ten years ago. Of their children, there are now surviving, four sons, Mr. G. Henry D. John and W. Joseph Taylor, and five daughters, Mrs. M. D. Mobley, Mrs. W. F. Edwards, Mrs. B. E. Darnall and Mrs. Whit Purvis of Williamston, and Mrs. Luther T. Walters of Rocky Mount, also a large number of grandchildren, and one great-grandchild.

He had been a member of the Primitive Baptist church for more than 40 years, and for thirty years, church clerk and treasurer of the church at Skewakee, of which he was also a member. He was always true and faithful to his church and did much for it in a material way. He was a great entertainer of friends and strangers which seemed to give him much pleasure. In politics, Mr. Taylor was a staunch democrat.

The funeral services were conducted by Elders Sylvester Russell and E. S. Cowan, and the burial was in the family plot on the home farm. Many beautiful wreaths were placed on the grave as a memorial from those who loved him. The attendance was large showing the high esteem in which he was held by his neighbors, and many from a distance.

CENTRAL PORTION OF JAPAN HIT BY QUAKE

HONOLULU, Dec. 5.—The whole central portion of Japan, including Kobe, Osaka and other large cities, was shaken by an earthquake early today, according to a Tokio dispatch to the Nippon Jiji, Japanese language newspaper here. On the island of Shikoku, one of the principal ones of the empire, clocks were stopped.

In the coastal regions bordering Setonaika, on the inland sea, the inhabitants were panic stricken, vacating their homes and abandoning their belongings in an effort to find safety. So far as had been reported, the dispatch was filed there was loss of life or great property damage. The unveiling of a statue at the city of Kochi on the island of Shikoku, was postponed because of the earthquake.

DR. R. H. HARGROVE OF ROBERSONVILLE DEAD

News of the death of Dr. R. H. Hargrove of Robersonville reached us just before going to press. Dr. Hargrove had practiced medicine in Robersonville for about 40 years and for many years was the only doctor between Williamston and Tarboro, and Hamlet and Greenville.

He was one of Robersonville's oldest and most highly respected citizens. He leaves a widow and a daughter. He had not been well for some months, and for a few weeks before his death had been confined to his bed. The immediate cause of his death was heart disease.

We have been able to secure no details of the funeral arrangements.

TO THOSE WHO GIVE AT CHRISTMAS TIME

This Christmas, which should bring happiness to every boy and girl, find one in ten children menaced by a disease that may sentence them to years of sickness and may even rob them of their lives.

In the schools and homes of this city are a number of children doomed to bitterly unhappy years unless we can reach them quickly. They are undernourished children, whose thin hollow chested bodies are fertile soil for the most dread of all diseases—tuberculosis.

A few dollars from every one now can prevent this calamity to childhood. You hold in your hands the means of buying health for children.

We are selling the Christmas seal that annually provide money to fight tuberculosis. With that money we can buy the most precious gift in the world—health—as a holiday offering to children whose day Christmas really is.

The seals are one cent each. Buy all you can. Each time you put a Christmas seal on a letter or package, you are piling up health for little children.

Mrs. Luke Lamb, Chairman.

PEOPLES LEAGUE FAVORS THE TARIFF REDUCTION

The republican tariff has increased the burden of taxation already borne by the people of the United States and ought to be revised downward along with all other taxes, in the opinion of the People's Reconstruction League, which represents wage workers and farmers.

After pointing out that miscellaneous taxes, such as those on beverages and tobacco, excises, etc., fall principally on the poorer people of the country, the league's statement on the subject says:

"The Fordney-McCumber tariff is costing every family in the United States on an average of about \$25.00 directly, and at least \$100.00 indirectly."

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the court of County Commissioners of Martin County, North Carolina, will receive bids until 11 o'clock a. m. on December 20th, 1923, in the Court house at Williamston, North Carolina, for purchase of \$100,000 School Bonds of said County, denomination \$1,000 each, dated December 1st, 1923, and maturing \$2,000 December 1st, 1924, to 1929, \$3,000 December 1st, 1930, and \$5,000 December 1st, 1931 to 1933, bearing interest at the rate of five and one half per cent per annum, payable semi-annually, both principal and interest payable at the Hanover National Bank, in the City and State of New York.

Said bonds are issued under the laws of the State of North Carolina, including, among others, Sections 296 to 299 inclusive, chapter 136, Public Law, Session 1923, and in compliance with a resolution of the Board of Education of said County certifying that the outstanding indebtedness created for the necessary expense of conducting the six months' school term in Martin County, prior to 1923, as determined by the Board of Education and certified by it to the Board of County Commissioners amounts to \$200,000.

All bids must be accompanied by a certified check upon an incorporated bank or trust company, payable to the order of the Treasurer of Martin County, North Carolina, for two per centum of the par value of bonds bid for, to secure the County against loss resulting from a failure of the bidder to comply with the terms of his bid.

The right is reserved to reject all or all bids or to accept the bid deemed most advantageous to the County. S. S. BROWN, Clerk. Board of County Commissioners, Williamston, North Carolina.

INFLUENCE OF SURFACE ON POWER VITAL

All Traffic Effort Experiments Condemn Earth Roads

That the surface of the road has much to do with the amount of effort required to move a wheeled vehicle and to keep it moving is well known; just what these various efforts are has been determined by a series of experiments conducted by the Horse Owners association of America, by means of a testing apparatus invented by Mr. E. V. Collins, of the State Agricultural college, Ames, Iowa.

According to these experiments, a given load of 7,700 pounds was started by a team of horses on a level brick surface by a 200 pound pull, while the same load on an asphalt surface required a 300 pound pull and a good cinch and dirt surface needed a 520 pound pull. A concrete road allowed the team to start the load with a pull of 125 pounds.

The experiments further demonstrated that the "character" of the horses involved had something to do with the ability of the team to pull a load, since a small team of brown ches weighing nearly five hundred pounds less than other teams of heavy horses were able, apparently through gameness, to start and pull larger loads than their competitors.

Sheriff and Revenue Officer Find a Couple of Whiskey Stills

Revenue Officer Tom Smith and Sheriff Roberson made some investigations Tuesday and found two copper stills; one hidden on the Mary Cherry farm and supposed to be the property of Windsor Wiggins. No liquor nor beer was found.

The other was found near Wilson Chapel, a colored church, about three miles north of Everett. The still was in operation, but the operators succeeded in making their escape. A few gallons of rum was found and destroyed, with two barrels of molasses and some other equipment. The stills were brought to town.

ANOTHER AUTO WRECK ON HARD SURFACE ROAD TO WASHINGTON

Report comes to us as we go to press that the Williamston-Washington highway was the scene of another smash-up today when two cars ran together at Corey's store.

We have been unable to get the names of the parties, but one of them, a man, was thought dead for some time, but finally recovered and was hurried to Washington to a hospital.

We will give other and further announcements next issue. The present wild driving is almost certain of a fresh story of death and destruction every issue.

TWO UNIDENTIFIED YOUTHS IN TROUBLE OVER AUTO THEFT

KINSTON, Dec. 5.—Two unidentified youths are awaiting trial at Goldsboro, charged with the larceny of an automobile, because they told two Lehigh county officers stories they could not substantiate. Thomas Conway, chief deputy sheriff, and Frank Rhem, superintendent of convicts, went to Falling creek, in this county, to investigate a mishap to a car reported to have been stolen. They found the machine stranded at a temporary bridge, the right wheels over the side. No person was with the car.

HARRISON OIL CO. SECURES BUSINESS IN ROBERSONVILLE

New Territory Will Increase Business of Local Concern Greatly

Yesterday, the Harrison Oil company of Williamston took over the Robersonville Oil company, and will continue operations in that town under the firm name of Robersonville Oil company, as distributors for the Texas company.

This company has the only distributing plant for gasoline and oil in Robersonville and they do a big business in that town and the surrounding towns of Hamilton, Hassells and Oak City, and in the whole section.

They have two large tanks already in operation and another which will be a much larger one, and a storage warehouse will be added to their plant, and another truck will be put on the road in the near future.

The Harrison Oil company has been organized and doing business in Williamston and in this section of the county for a little more than a year and their growth has been phenomenal. The success of the company has been entirely due to the combined energies of owners and managers, the Messrs. G. H. and C. A. Harrison and K. E. Roberson, with the support of their truck drivers, Messrs. Jordan Ward and Elbert Manning. The greatest efficiency possible has been their sole aim and they have worked toward this goal from the first and have made wonderful progress.

They have a 20,000 gallon capacity tank at the Robersonville wharf and adequate storage warehouses for that tank already, and will have another equipped for use in the early part of 1924.

SELLING FRUIT

Cooperation in the marketing of fruits is the custom these days. During 1922 a total of \$100,519 cars of fruit marketed by 667 farmers business organizations brought more than 183 million dollars. There were 27 citrus fruit organizations which marketed nearly 72 million dollars' worth of fruit. The one raisin organization sold more than 35 million dollars' worth of raisins. More than 11 million dollars worth of apples were sold by cooperatives.

Nearly every fruit, both large and small, is sold to some extent through cooperative channels. Nearly 40 million dollars worth of miscellaneous fruits were marketed by farmers' business organizations.

The value of the cooperative organization is brought out in the wonderfully improved freight service the citrus fruit growers have received. A new reduction in transcontinental freight rates has been granted which will net the growers three and one half million dollars. When would such a reduction have been granted had the California growers not been organized? The benefits of cooperative marketing are innumerable.

A CORRECTION

In Tuesday's issue of The Enterprise we had a news story about Mr. Sam Rogers of the Bear Grass section being bitten by a hog. The article should have been Mr. Len Rogers.

TORACCO

More than one half of the crop is marketed and the price is good considering the quality. There seems to be no doubt that the cooperative marketing agencies have influenced more advantageous prices for the farmers.

CHRISTMAS SEAL SALE IS BEING PUSHED HERE

Sale of Seals Is Doing Great Things for Human Health

The sale of Christmas seals has grown to be an enormous undertaking. The buyer puts a seal on his letters at the small cost of one cent which looks small and is small, but when the fund all comes together, it amounts to a great sum, which goes to sustain the institutions fighting tuberculosis.

The fight against tuberculosis has reduced the number of deaths from this disease, in North Carolina, from 4,800 in 1913, to 2,369 in 1922, which is more than half.

If every agency now fighting tuberculosis is properly sustained there is little doubt but that at the now going, will be cut in half again within the next ten years.

The biggest factor in the fight is intelligence. People are beginning to learn that air was made to breathe and that with fresh air, nourishing food and proper exercise, tuberculosis will finally pass away. Buy Christmas seals and help a worthy cause.

DEPUTY PEEL FINDS ANOTHER WHISKEY STILL

Deputy Sheriff Luther Peel, while looking for a party to sign a paper, Wednesday, saw a smoke by the side of a fence, and thinking the family was working and burning brush, walked out to the place, and to his astonishment no person was in sight, but a steam still was going at full blast. About 6 gallons of liquor was found but no beer was there.

The officer proceeded to destroy the plant, though it was not in his program. Still, he says, he is going to do the good work when he can.

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE

I have this day qualified as executor of the estate of N. T. Coburn, late of Martin county. All persons indebted to said estate will please come forward and make immediate payment of the same, and all persons holding claims against the said estate will present them on or before December 7th, 1924, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

This Dec. 7th, 1923. GEORGE R. COBURN, Executor of the Estate of N. T. Coburn.

NOTICE OF SALE

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in that certain deed of trust executed by William E. Cratt to the undersigned trustee, and bearing the date of August 7th, 1919, and of record in the public registry of Martin county in book B-2, at page 170, said deed of trust having been given to secure the payment of a certain note of even date and tenor therewith, and the terms and conditions therein contained not having been complied with, and at the request of the holder of said note, the undersigned trustee will on Monday, the 7th day of January, 1924 at 12 o'clock m., in front of the court house door of Martin county, at Williamston, N. C., offer for sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, the following described property to wit:

Beginning at a bay tree is Windy branch, thence N. 4, E. 39 poles, N. 18 W. 12 poles, N. 40 W. 8 poles, N. 48 1-2 W. 10 poles, N. 42 W. 10 poles to a gum in said branch; N. 12 E. 39 poles, N. 80 E. 14 poles to the Harris Mill pond; thence with the run of said Mill pond S. 38 E. 31 poles, S. 43 E. 27 poles, S. 62 E. 21 poles, S. 60 East 20 poles, S. 35 E. 16 poles, S. 12 1-2 W. 47 poles to the county road; thence with said road N. 82 W. 60 poles to Windy branch, thence with the branch to the beginning, containing 38 acres, more or less. Being the same land this day conveyed by John Bullock and wife to said Wm. E. Cratt and this instrument is made and delivered to secure the purchase price of said land and premises.

This the 4th day of December, 1923. JOHN H. BONNER, Trustee.

HARRISON BROTHERS & CO. HAVE A GOOD SHOWING OF CHRISTMAS GOODS

Harrison Brothers and company, Williamston's largest department store and one of the most progressive concerns in this section, now have on their Christmas displays, and are making the day, looking, buying and exchanging looking over carefully.

They have some of the most attractive and interesting show windows in this section, which offer suggestions that will aid greatly in making selections for gifts for the Christmas holidays.

The windows are only a "taste" of the holiday showings they have on display, and when one opens the door and gets a view of the inside, showing how practical merchandise can be used for appropriate gifts, it is very easy to decide on a gift for anyone.

THE DIXIE WAREHOUSE IS THE PLACE TO GET THE HIGHEST PRICE FOR YOUR SCRAP TOBACCO, MR. FARMER, MANGU & TAYLOR, PROPS., WILLIAMSTON, N. C.

The cotton crop is more nearly out of the field than has perhaps ever been experienced. Only 2 to 4 per cent is still in the field. Ginning is much ahead of previous years. The quality is good because of the early picking and freedom from leaves and trash. The cotton leaf worm cleared the plants of leaves and hastened the opening of bolls.

SUNDAY SERVICES AT THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH

compulsory from the fact that Mr. Stubbs, superintendent. Morning prayer and sermon at 11 o'clock. Evening prayer and sermon at 7:30 o'clock. Rev. J. E. Warner, Priest in Charge.

HOUSE ENDS DEADLOCK AND SPEAKER GILLET TAKES HIS SEAT AGAIN

Legislation Will Hardly Get Under Way Until After the Christmas Holiday Season

WASHINGTON, Dec. 5.—The 68th congress was organized today with the breaking of the two days' deadlock in the house over the speaker-ship, and it will receive President Coolidge's message tomorrow.

The President will address congress in person at 12:30 o'clock at a joint session in the house chamber.

Although congress now is ready to function, little can be done in the way of legislation until after the Christmas holidays. Committees of both the house and senate have yet to be organized, and they must pass on all important measures before there can be action by either house.

The break leading to the re-election of Speaker Gillett on the first ballot today came after republican insurgents had satisfied themselves there would be an opportunity next month to offer amendments to house rules. Given this assurance on the floor by Representative Longworth of Ohio, the republican leader, the group which for eight ballots had supported either Representative Cooper of Wisconsin or Madden of Illinois, then flocked almost solidly to Gillett giving him a majority of 8 votes.

The result showed: Gillett 215; Garrett, democrat 197; Madden, republican, 2.

When you take a business or pleasure trip phone 48. Your friends want to know of your travels.

WILLIAMSTON TEAM IS WINNER IN BASKET BALL

Wins Over Plymouth In a Hard Fought Game

The local basket ball team made a pilgrimage to Plymouth on Tuesday night where they met and defeated the strong Plymouth aggregation. The game was quite different from the one played here in November. The Plymouth team seemed to treat the latter affair as a foot ball game and referee seeing was out of the question.

Some of the Plymouth players showed poor sportmanship by their attitude and rough playing. For the Plymouth team the playing of Poole at center and Basnight featured. For Williamston, the playing of the whole team featured, especially Wolfe at center and Margolis at guard.

The line up and summary follows:

Williamston	Plymouth
Purvis	r. f. Hardison
Orleans	l. f. Davis
Wolfe	c. Poole
Taylor	r. c. Brown
Margolis	l. g. Basnight
	*Nelson
	*Sawyer

*Substitutions: Plymouth; Nelson for Brown; Sawyer for Hardison at beginning of third quarter.

Williamston scoring: Field goals; Purvis 1, Orleans 1, Wolfe 7, Margolis 2. Foul goals: Wolfe 4 out of 6.

Plymouth scoring: Field goals; Davis 1, Poole 3, Basnight 3, Sawyer 1. Foul goals; Davis none out of 2, Hardison, none out of 1.

Time of quarters, 10 minutes.

ATTORNEY IS OFFERED A BRIBE OF \$100,000

Assistant U. S. Attorney Fighting Kessler Case Says Huge Bribe Offered Him to 'Lay Off'

GREENSBORO, Dec. 6.—"A bribe of \$100,000 was offered prosecutors if they would 'lay off' the case against Emanuel H. (Mannie) Kessler, 'king of the bootleggers,'" it was announced here last night by Major John Holly Clark, assistant United States attorney, who obtained a conviction that yesterday brought a sentence of two years in prison and payment of a \$10,000 fine for Kessler. Ten of Kessler's fellow conspirators were also sentenced.

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NOTICE OF SALE

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in that certain deed of trust executed by J. H. Roebuck and wife, Lucy Roebuck to the undersigned trustee, and bearing the date of October 13th, 1919, and of record in the public registry of Martin county in book A-2, at page 225, said deed of trust having been given to secure the payment of a certain note of even date and tenor therewith, and the terms and stipulation contained in the said deed of trust not having been complied with, and at the request of the holder of said note, the undersigned trustee will on Monday, the 7th day of January, 1924, at 12 o'clock m., in front of the court house door of Martin county in Williamston, N. C., offer for sale, at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, the following described property, to wit:

That certain lot or parcel of land in Williamston township, Martin county, lying and being on the Williams-ton and Washington road about two miles from Williamston, bounded as follows, to wit:

Bounded on the north and east by the lands of J. G. Godard; on the west by the Williamston and Washington road, and on the south by the lands of C. W. Keith, containing 10 acres, more or less, and being the land whereon the parties of the first part now reside.

This the 4th day of December, 1923. CLAYTON MOORE, Trustee.