

County Board Commissioners Considering Erection Of Three-Story Annex To Court House To Be Used For Offices And Jail

Work Will Probably Be Started Some Time This Spring

The Martin County Board of Commissioners, while in their meeting here last Monday, had the question of a new jail for the county before them for discussion and ordered that plans for a new building be secured from the State Board of Public Welfare at Raleigh. The Martin County jail has long been regarded as unsafe, and the grand jury has, on several occasions, recommended a new jail or the remodeling and improving of the old one.

Cedar Branch Church Services For Sunday

The regular monthly meeting will be held at Cedar Branch Baptist Church Sunday morning and night. The morning subject will be "Marks of a true religion," the evening subject will be "the fellowship of service."

Everetts Woodmen To Meet Monday Night

There will be a meeting of the Modern Woodmen of America, Everetts Camp, No. 15642, Monday night at 7.30. All members are especially urged to attend this meeting, as there is some important business to come before the said meeting.

Mrs. J. L. Ross Died At Gold Point Monday

Mrs. J. L. Ross passed away at the home of her brother, Mr. B. H. Ross, at Gold Point, Monday after a brief attack of acute indigestion.

STRAND THEATRE USUAL GOOD PROGRAM TONIGHT AND TOMORROW 2 Shows Tomorrow Night 7:00 and 9:00 P. M.

Annual Meeting of Chamber of Commerce To Be Held in D. & M. Offices Tonight, 7:30

The annual meeting of the Williamston Chamber of Commerce will be held in the law offices of Dunning and Moore tonight at 7:30. Every one that wants to see our town make the great progress we have been talking about for some time is urged to come.

Catches 13 Herrings On Ground Hog Day

Mr. Ira T. Coltrain always tries the waters of the Roanoke on February 2, to see if the herring are running. This year he skinned up thirteen herring, which was better than at most previous years.

Belhaven Quint Falls Before Everetts High

Everetts, Feb. 4.—Everetts defeated the fast team from Belhaven, 23-18, on the local court on Tuesday night. This game was the fastest and one of the cleanest games the local patrons have had the opportunity of seeing this year.

Williamston Graded School News Notes

The basketball season is now in full swing, and the Williamston squads, both boys and girls, are showing up well in the games in which they take part. Our girls deserve much credit for standing up as they did in the Washington-Williamston game here Wednesday night, considering the fact that the Washington team were last year champions.

Sunday Services at Episcopal Church

Rev. Clarence O. Pardo, Rector Sexagesima Sunday: 9:45—Church School. 11:00—Holy Communion and sermon. 3:00—Holy Trinity Mission. 7:30—Evening prayer and sermon. The monthly meeting of the vestry following the evening service.

BURGLARS BREAK INTO TWO STORES

Culpepper Hardware Co. Robbed Early Thursday Morning; Clark-Bennett Store Entered Last Night

The Culpepper Hardware Co.'s store was broken into early Thursday morning. A large number of items were missed, among them being two double-barrel shot guns, one a 20 and the other a 12 gauge, a number of boxes of shells, several flashlights, and two hunting coats.

JANUARY ISSUE OF MARRIAGE LICENSES

Cupid Had a Busy Time in Martin County Last Month; Licenses Issued to 38 Couples

Following is a list of the marriage licenses issued by the register of deed, J. Sam Getsinger, during the month of January: White Bruce Roebuck, 21; Ernestine House 19. Mayo S. Clark, 19; Pennie W. Perry, 16. Fred McDaniel, of Jones County, 25; Beulah Holliday, 19. W. Harvey Manning, of Pitt County, 31; Leontine Davenport, 20. Herman C. Harrison, 24; Beulah Stalls, 21. A. J. Hardison, 19; Myrtle Bateman, 24. John R. Browning, Carrie D. Manning. Walter Whitley, 21; Ethel Brown, 18. Gushing B. Harrison, 23; Nina E. Whitaker, of Pitt County, 20; Geo. H. Manning, 25; Helen M. Johnson, 19. Ezra Whitaker, 18; Eva Clark, 17. Wm. O. Roebuck, 19; Lennie Gurgan, of Edgecombe county, 19. Ira Rogerson, 24; Essie M. Talyor, 17; Bert Wynn, 21; Ethel Rogerson, 18. Herbert R. Ackley, 24; Annie B. Williams, 22—Dewey Pope, of Pitt county, 19. Thos. H. Cherry, of Edgecombe County, 32; Julia C. Salisbury, 30. W. Stanley Leggett, 36; Eva Rogerson, 29. Robert S. Coltrain, 21; Myrtle Beacham, 22. Joseph F. Davenport, 52; Maggie M. Barber, 17. Theo. Rogers, 21; Ida Leo, 18. Geo. E. Moore, 28; Emma B. Williams, 22. Colored George Caraway, 52; Mary Slade, 41. Wm. Staton, 24; Roberta Wallace 19. George Hyman, 21; Hattie Slade, 18. Wm. Lawrence, 24; Mary Spruill, 21. Amos Spruill, 21; Arena Dunn, 18. John Stokes, 25; Lucy James, 23. J. H. Revander, 53; Christina Midget, 44. Chas. Williams, 48; Hattie E. Worsley, 30. Theo. Freeman, 20; Melitha Brown, 18. Jos. H. Williams, 22; Annie Sherrod, 18. Alfred J. Speller, of Bertie County, 21; Aggie Miller, of Bertie County, 22. Rufus Ganier, 24; Addie Andrews, 19; Sam Brown, 20; Napoleon Hassell, 18. Matheo Council, 21; Estell Harrell, 19.

Sunday Services at The Baptist Church

Sunday morning this church and those who worship at it, will observe the Lord's Supper. It is planned to make this a beautiful and impressive service. The whole hour will be given over to the Communion. There will be no sermon but a brief exposition of I Corinthians 11:20-34. This is the passage which has kept many good men and women away from the Lord's Table. That was not its purpose at all. It was merely Paul's criticism of disorderly conduct at the Communion. The communicants should read this passage carefully. At the evening hour, the pastor will have for his sermon subject, "Am I My Brother's Keeper?" We were happy to have members of other congregations with us last Sunday, whose coming was made possible on account of having no services at their churches. We have remembered to have congregational prayer for the sick in our midst. "Pure religion and undefiled before God and the Father is this: To visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction, and to keep himself unspotted from the world." Mrs. E. S. Peel is spending the week end at Virginia Beach.

Enterprise Weekly Sermon And Sunday School Lesson

THE ENTERPRISE WEEKLY SERMON

THE SECOND COMMANDMENT "Thou shalt not make to thyself any graven image, nor the likeness of anything that is in the heaven above or in the earth beneath, or in the water under the earth; thou shalt not bow down to them, nor worship them; for I, the Lord thy God, am a jealous God, and visit the sins of the fathers upon the children, even unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate me; and show mercy unto thousands of them that love me and keep my commandments."

By REV. C. O. PARDO The heart of the second commandment is contained in that portion printed above in black type.

The often unwarranted interpretation of this commandment is the prohibition of any work of art that represents life—terrestrial or celestial. As a matter of fact the commandment—like all the others—is primarily for the purpose of protecting mankind from himself and assisting mankind in the closer walk with God.

The commandment does not prohibit the creating of works of art—such as statuary or pictures, but forbids the "bowing down and worship of any graven image or the likeness of anything in heaven, earth, or the waters under the earth."

God gives us His reason for this command the fact that He is a jealous God.

This does not mean that God is afraid of competition, but it does mean that in His infinite knowledge He knows that many can not and will not develop himself spiritually while he attempts to serve substitutes for God. He is jealous—not for Himself, not for His honor; not jealous for His own sake. God is a jealous God for the sake of His children. Parents are jealous for their children, jealous for their health, their character, their mental, physical and spiritual well-being. In a multiplied and many times greater way God is jealous for us. He wants to see us reaching the heights, plumbing the depths, expanding to the full breadth of our potential possibilities—in body, soul, and spirit.

God knew that idolatry was not conducive to understanding of Him; that unless mankind would center his affections and worship upon the one true God, the idols of wood, stone, brass, of silver and gold, would not only be silent and dumb in the time of trial; but, like the substance they are made of, would cause man's decline and deterioration.

Very few of us are guilty of making "graven images," of bowing down and worshipping them; but many of us are guilty of offering the best we have to "idols."

God wants our youth and vitality—yet many times the "idol" of pleasure receives as homage and offering the best years of our youth. Our youthful strength and vitality is given as a sacrifice upon the altar of the idol of pleasure.

A drink of whisky may be beneficial at certain times. A game of bridge is certainly a delightful pastime with congenial friends. Innocent dancing in a wholesome atmosphere, with the restriction that ladies and gentlemen always realize, though others may not, is an age-old pleasure. But the so-called "good time" that takes for its sacrifices the youthful energy, the finer qualities, the more delicate sensitiveness of our young people's moral and chaste qualities—the "party" that requires men and women to substitute refinement and culture for indiscriminate drinking and indecent action; the social activity that demands the "broad and tolerant point of view"—that is, in itself, a sort of cheap copied worldliness, a demand and toll upon the energy, the vitality, the moral stamina. This is an "idol" that has too many worshippers.

God promises mercy, love, and His presence unto the thousandth generation of those that love Him and keep His commandments. He also promises to visit the sins of the fathers upon the third and fourth generations of those who hate Him or scorn Him. This does not mean He will punish the innocent children of wicked parents. It does mean that careless and wicked parents set an example for their children, and the boy or girl who observes their fathers and mothers defying the commands of God are more than likely to be led into the same careless and irreverent life.

NEW PLANT SAVING TOWN \$23 EACH DAY

Oil-Burning Engines Installed Last Week Saving \$23 Daily in Fuel Costs Alone

Williamston has solved a part of the high cost of light and power. The cost of the Williamston light plant for the past several years has been alarming. The cost to the consumer was unusually high and yet the town lost money on the plant. There was only one cause assigned, "A fool-built plant, which was the most costly to operate that could be designed."

The board of town commissioners began a few months ago to investigate and search for a more economical plant. The Fairbanks-Morse Company came here with their crude-oil engine proposition. The commissioners promptly installed an engine and generator directly connected.

The new plant was started up on Tuesday, January 26th, and has been running constantly since that time. The fuel consumption has been 148 gallons of crude oil per 24 hour day at a cost of something over 8 cents per gallon, making the fuel cost \$12 per day.

The cost of coal for the same period of time has averaged about \$35 per day, making a saving in favor of the oil engine of \$23 each day over the steam power.

The cost of operating the steam plant was also more expensive, taking at least one more man to operate it than it does the oil engine. If the present rate of saving is held up, it will amount to about \$8,000 a year, which is no small matter to an overtaxed town.

LOCAL NEWS OF JAMESVILLE

Prayer Meeting Well Attended; Moonlight School Great Help; 1926 Model Herrings Caught

(Special To The Enterprise) Jamesville, Feb. 4.—Prayer meeting at the Baptist church last week was well attended, programs for three months having been assigned so as to have different leadership, including more than 75 people.

Prof. L. Tatum was the leader, and the subject of sewing and reaping was discussed. Professor Tatum, the agriculture teacher in the school, gave a very attractive and much appreciated program for the evening.

Moonlight School on Wednesday

Prof. L. Tatum's moonlight school for farmers, being held on Wednesday night of each week, is proving very beneficial as well as interesting to those who attend. Mr. Tatum would like to reach as many farmers as possible and all who attend will be well paid for the little time taken in the attendance of the meetings.

Saw Mill Begins Operation With all the shadow of gloom hanging about our town and community, a ray of hope and expectancy seemed to break forth Tuesday when the whistle of Mr. Luther Hardison's saw mill plant sounded its promising blast.

First of 1926 Herrings

In the sunlight Tuesday, while the ground hog was afraid to venture forth and returned to his winter's abode, the smoke house door was thrown ajar when Mr. Ira P. Coltrain returned from his trip off the river with a fine bunch of 1926 model herrings.

Ladies Aid Meeting Tuesday

The Ladies Aid Society of the Christian church will meet next Tuesday at the Christian church.

Personals

Mrs. J. E. Smithwick is spending a few days in the balmy breezes of Florida's atmosphere. Mr. J. M. Jones and Mr. Jim Rooks motored to Greenville Tuesday on important business. Mr. J. E. Hedrick has completed his new house on Sunset Avenue and expects to move in within a few days.

Methodist Program For Next Week

Sunday school, 9.45 a. m.—E. P. Cunningham, superintendent. Services, 11 a. m.—Sacrament of the Lord's supper following. Junior Epworth league, 2.30 p. m.—Miss Emma Robertson, superintendent. Services at Holly Springs, 3 p. m.—Senior Epworth League, Monday at 8 p. m.—Mrs. J. W. Watts, leader. Prayer meeting Wednesday, 7.30 p. m.—Choir practice following. The workers' council will meet with Mr. E. S. Critcher Tuesday, 7.30 p. m. Every member is requested to be present. The Ladies Aid Society meets Monday, 9 p. m., with Mrs. F. K. Hodges.