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NEW BANK TO BEGIN BUSINESS HERE FIRST OF SEPTEMBER

East Carolina's Best Business Men Interested

New Institution to be Named "The Bank of Williamston"

Negotiations were completed yesterday giving Williamston its second state bank, the institution to open for business the first of next month. For almost a year plans have been under way for the opening and operation of a second bank here, but not until yesterday was it officially announced that a new bank had been formed. The bank's name will be "Bank of Williamston."

Last year in the early fall several business men of Kinston purchased the building once occupied by the defunct Peoples Bank from Mr. F. L. Gladstone of Hamilton. Mr. Gladstone purchased the building several months before that time. During the next few days the bank will undergo slight alterations and preparations will be complete for the opening the first of next month.

The new institution will open with a \$100,000 capital, and will be under the direction of Eastern Carolina's best business men. Mr. R. C. Rasberry, of Kinston, will be president of the bank. Mr. J. G. Brown, also of Kinston, is vice president. Mr. G. T. Gardner, of Grifton, has been elected cashier and Mr. Norman K. Harrison, of Williamston, will serve as assistant cashier.

All the capital comes to our town from without, and is invested by men of splendid business insight, and men who have made outstanding records in their respective businesses. Mr. Rasberry is president of the National Bank of Kinston, that institution having assets amounting to more than \$2,500,000. He is also president of the National Bank of LaGrange and the National Bank of Snow Hill, both these banks are strong and prosperous institutions. Mr. Brown, the new bank's vice president, is a leading wholesale merchant in Kinston and Eastern North Carolina. Norman K. Harrison is well known in this section, he having kept books for Harrison Brothers and company since his return from France after the World War. He stands high with all the people of this section.

Every town the size of ours should have two or more banks, and the establishment of the Bank of Williamston meets a hearty welcome on the part of the people of our section.

Death T. Gray Coburn Shock to Friends Here

News has been received by friends and relatives in this section of the death of T. Gray Coburn, jr, which occurred yesterday morning at Buxton Memorial hospital in Newport News.

The young man was down at the farm below Plymouth when he was taken ill about a week ago. Accompanied by his mother and Dr. McGowan he went to the hospital where he died yesterday. He had been in perfect health until he was taken ill last week.

His mother and sisters of Norfolk were visiting the young man at the farm which he has been running for the past two years.

The funeral will take place in Norfolk Sunday at 3 o'clock from the residence of his mother.

The young man was very popular with a host of friends both in this section and in Norfolk where he was reared.

STRAND THEATRE

TONIGHT
"The Girls from Montmartre"
With Barbara La Marr and Lewis Stone
Also Pacemakers

TOMORROW
BEN WILSON in "SAND BLIND"
Also Pathe Comedy

A TOUCH OF OLD SPAIN



These entertainers have been brought to the Sesqui-Centennial International Exposition in Philadelphia where 150 years of American Independence is being celebrated, by the Los Angeles County, California, Chamber of Commerce. The westerners have built a fine old Spanish mission in the Palace of Foreign, Civic, Fashion and Agriculture Display and there show the resources and advantages of their native land. The musicians and dancers entertain all visitors who enter the patio to rest a bit after "doing the exposition." The Exposition continues until December 1.

Negro Sent to Jail; Cut Up Wife's Clothes

Dorsey Andrews After Fuss, Ruins Dresses His Wife Bought

Dorsey Andrews, colored, was bound over to Recorder's court this morning after it was proved that he had torn to pieces most of his wife's clothes. The bond was placed at \$100 and being unable to raise that amount Andrews is now in jail awaiting the next session of recorder's court Tuesday, when his case will be heard by Judge Smith.

Andrews is employed at Rocky Mt., working there with the Atlantic Coast Line, and was home for a few days. While he was here it was agreed between he and his wife that he was to return to Rocky Mount and she was to attend a picnic at Capehart's Fishery yesterday. Andrews went back to Rocky Mount, but for some reason wired his wife that he would return yesterday. The telegram was too late, for his wife had already gone to the picnic. When Andrews arrived he started to meet his wife, and when about 30 miles from here he met her and insisted that she return with him in a Ford coupe.

It seems that the car she was riding in was the better of the two, so she refused to make the change. Andrews was worried over the refusal, and through weak-mindedness he went home and cut to pieces four of his wife's dresses costing about \$30. Inquiry revealed that the dresses were bought and paid for by his wife.

Rev. and Mrs. Critcher In Automobile Accident

Yesterday while driving from Weldon to their home at Garysburg, Rev. and Mrs. Duke Critcher were run into on the highway and Mrs. Critcher received several painful bruises. The details as to how they were hit are not known, but it is understood that they were entirely blameless. Duke was not hurt nor was his little girl, Rosamond, but Mrs. Critcher was knocked unconscious and had a wound on the head which required three stitches.

Mrs. R. A. Critcher and Mrs. J. E. Pope left yesterday afternoon to be with them until today.

Mr. Shirley to Hold Union Service Sunday

The series of union services which have been in progress for some time, will continue through this month. The service for this week will be held at 8 o'clock Sunday night at the Christian Church. Rev. R. L. Shirley will preach at this hour. His topic will be, "The Greatest Figure of the Ages."

Mr. Shirley, who has been pastor of Riddicks Grove Baptist Church for the past two and a half years, will leave September 1 for his new charge at Selma. This will probably be his last service in Williamston. A cordial invitation is extended to all.

Petitions Being Made on Pool Room Question

Two Petitions Being Circulated; One for and One Against

The pool room came back 100 strong a few days ago, and at the present time it is unknown whether Williamston will have or will not have a pool room in the future.

After several hearings before the Town Commissioners, the privilege granting Charlie Sand the right to operate a pool room was withdrawn. At a second hearing later on, another flat refusal was made. Seeing that all hope was lost in this method of attack, the owner with his lawyers approached the question from another way. A petition was prepared and there are at least 100 signatures on the paper. The petition has not been submitted to the Board so far, but has been shown to a part of the Board. No action has been taken in the matter.

A petition opposing the operation of a pool room is in circulation, but just how it is progressing could not be learned today.

It now looks as if the matter is out of the hands of the commissioner and has gone to the people direct. While it is not known definitely, it is understood that the question will come up again at the Board's next meeting.

Frank Margolis Back From New York Trip

Irving Margolis motored to Rocky Mount this afternoon to meet his brother, Frank Margolis who has been spending the past month in New York. He has been buying fall stock for Margolis Brothers store and visiting relatives in that city. Mrs. Margolis who has been with him will not return now but will spend some time visiting her parents there.

Republican Candidate For Senate Is Visitor

Hon. Johnson J. Hayes, the Republican nominee for the United States Senate, was here yesterday visiting friends. Mr. Hayes is making his appeal for votes squarely on a high tariff for farm products, and is expected to make quite an impression upon the voters of eastern Carolina. Mr. Hayes says he will visit Williamston again in September, and if the weather permits would be glad to speak to the citizens of Williamston and Martin County.

Colored Quartets to Sing Here Monday

The Elk Quartet, of Greenville, and the Church City Four, of Norfolk, Va. will meet in a contest at the courthouse here Monday night, August 23, at 8:00 p. m. Special seats will be provided for white people. If you are a lover of real singing, be sure and come out and witness this program.

The Enterprise Sunday School Lesson in Brief

Aug. 22.—The Ten Commandments: Duties to God—Ex. 20:1-11.

By C. H. DICKEY

The Ten Commandments are catalogued twice in the Bible. First, in the twentieth chapter of Exodus; and again in the fifth chapter of Deuteronomy. The essence of both writings are the same.

A Pharisee one time asked Jesus which was the greatest commandment in the law. Jesus answered him, in Matthew 22:37-40, "Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it, Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets."

In planning out our Sunday-school lessons, the planners have divided the commandments into two regular lessons: The first section, consisting of four commandments, pertain to our duties to God; the other six, which come in next Sunday's lesson, pertain to our duties to man.

The four commandments pertaining to our duties to God, are, briefly:

1. Thou shalt have no other gods before me.
2. Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image.
3. Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord thy God in vain.
4. Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy.

1. Thou shalt have no other gods before me. This came at a time when the people's imaginations were peopled with a multiplicity of gods. Paul much later found Athens a veritable city of gods.

But there is not, and never has been room in the human heart for two gods. We in this century do not worship the gods of Mount Olympus, but possibly we have "other gods" as truly as the heathen ever had them. We worship self, pleasure, money, power; we, too, have a multiplicity of these little gods. This first commandment, which begins with God, thunders out from the rugged heights of Sinai, "No other gods before Me." We must see to it that all strange gods be rooted out.

2. Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image.

"The first commandment relates to the sovereignty of God; the second, to his character, especially his spirituality." These things degrade God to their level; the spiritual conception tends to raise men to God's level. Idolatry is accompanied with its idols.

3. Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord thy God in vain.

Possibly reverence here is the key word. If we reverence, we shall not take His Holy Name in vain. One of the most rasping noises in the world is to hear a child taking His name in vain. Of course, the child has heard his elders. Reverence banishes profanity. God is love, is to be loved, honored and revered.

4. Remember the Sabbath Day to keep it holy.

We shall have in next week's lesson that we are to work six days; but this lesson recalls us to the fact that rest is important. We have a day of rest for ourselves, and a day when in an especial way we can honor God. This day is a gift from God. We are to keep it holy. But also we are to remember, with Jesus, that the Sabbath was made for man, and not man for the Sabbath. The enduring of real religion and the proper value placed on God is closely associated with the day of rest. America will do well not to forget it!

Standard Buys Two Sinclair Stations Here

Beginning the first of September, the Standard Oil Co. will take charge and operate the two Sinclair stations in Williamston. The transaction was made the early part of last month, but was unknown to Messrs. Crawford and Watts, who recently took over the local business for the Sinclair people. While the loss of these two stations will decrease the business to a great extent, the operations of the company will continue with the stations scattered in the various parts of the surrounding territory.

It is understood that the price paid for the two stations amounted to \$4,000; \$3,000 for the up-town station and \$1,000 for the one located on the Washington road where the Jamesville road branches off.

Young Girl Receives Fatal Injury When Hit by Board Dropped From City Hall

Steals Auto and Leads Pursuers a Merry Chase

Roy Lilley, Suspected of Stealing Car, Eludes Pursuers

Martin county's automobile fiend was again busy yesterday and last night. Sometime in the afternoon, Roy Lilley drove over the river to a base ball game in Windsor, using a little Ford car and when returning he brought Buck Saunders and Albert Cook to Williamston. When he reached the corner near the court house he told the boys he had to go another street and for them to get out.

Robert Edwards, who had parked his car on Smithwick's street near Blount's store, was looking the town over for his car. He was told by Chief Daniels that he had seen young Lilley driving a car similar to the one missing and he with Edwards started to look for the car. When the chief reached his car which was parked near the place where Edwards' was stolen he found his key gone and the battery run down. Lilley had taken the chief's key when he failed to start the car. He moved up a little and took Edwards' car using Mr. Daniels' switch key.

From information received from the two boys, who had rode with Lilley, a party set out to find him. They first saw him on the road near Mr. Kader Lilley's, but he succeeded in dodging them. After hunting the various roads for several hours they again got in sight of him at the Lilley school house where he again slipped away from them. After watching and hunting all the roads in that section for several hours, they jumped him again and followed him through many cuts and cut-off roads until they got him on the Washington highway where they lost him again. Up until a few minutes before press time nothing further had been heard of either car or thief.

This makes the third car stolen by this young man from the streets of this town within a year's time. Both the other cars were recovered. Lilley removes the license plate as soon as he gets out of town and runs at large all over the country.

The young fellow seems to be weak in mind and has a mania for automobile stealing. He was convicted for stealing the first car and placed under a suspended judgment on account of his weakness.

Roanoke-Dixie Auctioneer Here

Mr. L. H. Burton with his wife and two children arrived here yesterday from Kentucky to make their home for the next several months. Mr. Burton will auctioneer for the Roanoke-Dixie warehouse this year. He is a man of much experience in the tobacco business and is an exceptionally good auctioneer.

While here he and his family will be at home with Mrs. Erah Cobb in New Town.

Brother and Sister Have Birthday Party

Little Billie Griffin and his sister, Thelma, entertained about seventy five of their little friends Wednesday afternoon from 4:30 to 6:30 in honor of their birthdays which come very close together.

The little folks spent an hour playing in the spacious yards and porch and were loth to go when they had been served ice cream and cake and apples by Mrs. Griffin. The popularity of the little Billie and Thelma was attested by the lovely array of birthday gifts they received.

J. W. DAVENPORT DIES

Mr. John W. Davenport of Windsor died in a Norfolk hospital at 9 o'clock this morning where he had been for the past several days for treatment for some stomach trouble. Mr. Davenport was born in Williamston about 40 years ago at the home now occupied by Mrs. W. H. Harrell, several years later his father moved to Windsor. When the young man grew up he chose law as his profession which he practiced for a number of years. He was associated with M. B. Gilliam at the time of his death under the name of Gilliam and Davenport.

Started Use of New Telephone Circuits Today

Service Will Be Considerably Improved After Change

The first telephones to work on the new material installed by the Carolina Telephone & Telegraph Co. were put on this morning by Messrs. Donohoe, Boardman, and Manning. The first lines to come through the new equipment runs to telephones around Everetts. Starting at that point telephones back this way will be transferred to the new lines as they are reached. If the weather permits about 40 to 50 changes can be made in a day. At this rate it will require several days to make the change complete.

For the past several weeks there have been numerous troubles on the local exchange, and they were of such a nature that it was impossible to clear them. The management in a statement this morning expressed itself as very much pleased with the cooperation extended by the subscribers. It will be several days before all changes can be made, and until this time there will be telephones out of order, but just as soon as everything is transferred every trouble will be eliminated; and the management wishes the subscribers to bear with it for the few days required to finish the task.

Thousands Attend Regatta at Norfolk

Going from all parts of Eastern North Carolina and Tidewater Virginia thousands of people assembled at Norfolk this week to enjoy a water carnival arranged by the wholesalers of that city.

The program prepared was unique in every detail and the best to be had. Wednesday night proved to be unfortunate when a hard two-hour rain fell and drove the 25,000 people to shelter at Ocean View. For over an hour the crowds stood packed in every nook covered by a shelter. The hotel was forced to close its doors when the crowd got so large inside that there was a possibility of the house's breaking through.

Yesterday was an ideal day and the trip around the Chesapeake Bay was most enjoyable. One of the Pennsylvania's large steam ships was chartered and a free sail was given the visitors. The trip took in the boat races and a several hours sail. Lunch, drinks and smokes were served by the wholesalers.

Eastern Carolina was well represented when people from as far as Greenville, Kinston and other towns attended.

Ruth Modlin, Only 9 Years Old, Victim of Unusual Accident

Wednesday morning shortly after 9 o'clock there occurred on our streets one of the most horrible accidents ever to happen here, when a plank fell from the roof of the City Hall and hit little Ruth Modlin, crushing the skull over a major portion of her head and driving a rib of the umbrella she was holding over her into the child's neck. She was also injured internally, bleeding from the intestines during the day. Immediately following the accident, the child was carried across to Dr. J. H. Saunders' office where she was given first aid and then rushed to the hospital at Washington. The Taylores at the Washington hospital operated at 12 o'clock, removing the skull that was crushed and made her as comfortable as possible, for they saw there was no hope for her life. She lived until 7 o'clock, being conscious a part of the time and constantly expressing a desire not to die.

The child was the youngest of Mrs. Lucy Modlin and the late William Modlin and was nine years old last Saturday. Others surviving are, three sisters, Mrs. Delsiphine Lassiter, Dorothy and Hazel Modlin, a brother, Earl, and her grandmother, Mrs. Alice Godard.

The funeral services were conducted by Rev. Stephen Gardner at Washington this afternoon at 3 o'clock and interment was made in the Baptist cemetery here.

This unfortunate accident saddened the entire community where the little girl had many friends. She was bright, active and friendly and when doing errands met many of the older people who became very much attached to her. When she was hurt she was on her way to the city market for her mother.

The plank which caused the child's death was being used by H. J. Beaman and son, Harry Leen and L. M. Bradshaw of Suffolk, who were painting under contract the steeple on the City Hall. It had been used and then laid on the coping at the base of the small steeple on the left of the building. There were several eyewitnesses to the accident, Miss Hattie Throver, also, the first person to throw the child, Chief Daniels and others. They thought at first that the wind blew the board off, but some say, among them the painters, that it could not have been the wind but must have been that the ropes which they were using on the clock and steeple caught in some nails that were in the plank.

State Tobacco Crop Reported Short for 1926

Three Per Cent Increase in Acreage; 323,781,000 Pounds Is Estimate

With a crop prospect for 323,781,000 pounds of tobacco, North Carolina will fall short in the amount of tobacco produced this year. In spite of the prospect is fifteen percent lower than the amount last year. In 1925 this state produced 341,903,795 pounds. Taking the counties individually, Martin last year planted 13,758 acres and made an average of 857 pounds to the acre. Only one county, Greene, beat this average. Applying the prospective yield as a whole to Martin there will be a fifteen percent decrease in this acreage average this year. Last year there were 11,290,606 pounds of tobacco raised here. Seven counties led Martin in the number of pounds produced. And while there will be a decrease in Martin, according to the report, the decrease, as far as an acreage average, is concerned, will be even larger in the other counties. If this is true this county will again stand at the top in number of pounds raised per acre.

Reports, while they are of an unreliable nature, from South Carolina state that the tobacco there is not quite as high as it was last year.

Miss Bettie Ward returned yesterday from Roper where she has been visiting her uncle, Mr. Chas. Miselle. Miss Tillie Perry has returned from Charlotte where she visited friends.

Return From Trip to California Wednesday

Miss Martha Louise Anderson returned Wednesday from California where she spent several weeks at the University of California at Berkeley. She left there several days ago and visited when en route home Sacramento, to the Great Salt Lake, spent five days in the Yellowstone National Park, saw Pike's Peak and played snow ball on the top of the peak on August 10th. After visiting Denver for a day, she stopped over for a few hours in the following cities, Kansas City, Chicago, Cincinnati, Nashville and Asheville. Miss Anderson when asked about the beauty of the scenery that she had seen on her trip across the states in which she visited, 25 of them and one foreign country, Mexico, said that the mountains of Eastern Tennessee and Western North Carolina were the prettiest places she visited while away.

Hon. and Mrs. Everett In County This Week

Hon. and Mrs. R. O. Everett arrived in the county yesterday and are at the Everett country estate near Oak City. This is their first trip here since their marriage in June. Mrs. Everett was Miss Kathleen Robinson before her marriage and was one of the few women in the state who are engaged in the practice of law. She was associated with her father, Col. Robinson in his office at Fayetteville and during the past few years she has made a remarkable record in her profession. She is now associated with her husband in his office at Durham and just recently argued a case for him before the Pardon Commission in Raleigh.