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BAZEMORE TO **DIE AT PRISON NEXT FRIDAY**

Slaver of Gordon Yelverton To Pay Supreme Penalty

NO APPEAL YET MADE

sioner Has Reviewed Case and Declines to Interfere; Convicted Twice

George Frank Bazemore, the Martin County Negro, who shot and killed Gordon Yelverton, local boy, on the Farmville-Wilson road last November now awaits his execution next Friday in the electric chair at the State's prison.

Bazemore has been twice convicted of the murder by the Greene County Superior court. He was granted a new trial on appeal from the first convic tion, it being granted purely on a technical error. No appeal was taken JURORS RESPONSIBLE in the last trial. The Pardon Com-mission has carefully examnined the Says Oath of Grand Juror Means case and turned it over to the Governor for his review.

The time for execution was extended to give full opportunity for the review, but so far there has been no intimation that the time for execution will be extended.

Every sep and phase of the murder fitted the first degree murder law, preall being brought out in the hearings. The hour for the execution has not

NUT GROWERS TO MEET THURSDAY

Department of Agriculture Expert to Speak at Meeting Here

Martin county is scheduled for next Department of Agriculture, Washing- to some of the greater crimes, the ton, D. C., will be present and adjurist declared. In fact, he said, there dress the meeting. Mr. Derrick has traveled extensively over the United most of them are the outgrowth and States during the past few months offspring of either liquor manufacand it is almost certain that his talk tuing, selling, drinking, gambling or will be most interesting, entertaining and instructive.

men and women and farmers who are urged to make a special effort to attend. At each of the meetings data of vital importance as concerns the peanut industry, the prospect for the 1927. market and the situation in general, will be given."

Warehousemen Urge Holding of Tobacco

At a meeting of the Esatern Caro lina Tobacco warehousemen in Wilson last Saturday, resolutions were passed urging farmers to hold their tobacco off the markets for better

A large number of the most prominent warehousemen in the east attended the meeting, and looked into the situation now being faced by both the farmer and warehouseman.

They suggest that the late opening with the light purcha the big companies is responsible for the present low prices prevailing in

WEDNESDAY

FRED THOMSON

ARIZONA NIGHTS' Comedy, "Wite Shy" FREE TICKET

FOR SHOW FRIDAY Dempsey-Tunney Fight Returns Over Radio Thursday

Always a Good Show

Heavy Sales on Local Market This Week

Tobacco sales on the local market continue to be large, and though the farmers are urged to go slow in selling their tobacco, the breaks are still heavy. Monday found 197,152 pounds on the local floors which brought \$35,097.05.

With cooler weather today, the market seemed to have more pep than yesterday.

FIRM DEALING WITH MINOR **CRIMES URGED**

Judge Daniels Tell Grand Jury That Is Remedy For Greater Ones

Much in Upholding Peace and Happiness of People

In his charge before the grandjury of the September term of Martin County Superior court convened here yesterday morning, Judge Frank A. Daniels, of Goldsboro, urged the body of 18 men to deal with the minor meditation, execution and concealing crimes with the firm determination to offect a cure for the greater ones.

Judge Daniels briefly touched the

major crimes, the enforcement of which all people stand as one unit. And since the people favor the enforcement of the law against all these crimes there is no trouble to obtain indictments on such charges. When it comes to the enforcement of the lesser crimes, so common in this day, it is quite another matter. Mr. Daniels described liquor, gambling and immoral habits es some of the underlying sins that are despoiling the society of today, that the young man who follows these three vices stands Thursday at 8:00 p. m. in the court- in a dangerous position. The practice of either one of them tends to lead to some of the greater crimes, the are very few original crimes, that

immoral practice. The oath of a grand juror means On Friday and Saturday of this much in upholding the peace and hapsimilar meetings will be held piness of the people and the duty of in Washington and Edgecombe coun- a grand juror well performed means that most law-breakers are brought "These meetings," officials of the into court for trail, the Judge said." peanut growers association state, In the charge, it was pointed out farther and met his death when Pi fare being held under the auspices that if the juror fails in this duty, fired a load of shot into his head. of Peanut Growers Association but men will make and sell liquor which are open to the public generally, both will not only ruin others but will eventually destroy all. It will lead not members of the Association are the gambler downward step by stey until he robs and steals; it will bring the immoralist down in disease and disgrace.

Those who thus break the laws of our country do not build the schools, they tear them down; they do not support the church, but frequently curse it. In short, the Judge said, "He who stands against the law to disobey it, stands against the government and all the civilized societies.'

Baby Dies of Meningitis In Rocky Mt. Hospital

Hassell, Sept. 20 .- Leighton Gorham Edmondson, the thirteen months old son of Mr. and Mrs. P. C. Edmondson, fell from a four foot porch WednesWesley Baker, charged with an asday and suffered a fractured skull. Friday, September 9, following its fall on Wednesday, the child was removed to the Park View hospital in Rocky Mount where it could be under the care of baby specialists and phy-

Early Sunday morning basal meningitis set in and on Monday evening ocath resulted. Funeral services were conducted at the home of the parents Tuesday afternoon by Rev. E. P. West of the Hamilton Baptist church. Interment was made in the cemetery in Hamilton.

That the little one had endeared itself in the hearts of the people of the community was expressed by many Leautiful floral offerings.

Chamber of Commerce To Aid in Caring for Visitors

aintain a bureau of information this year during fair week in order to facilitate the handling of visitors, according to officials of the fair associotion and the chamber of commerce. Dr. P. B. Cone will have the burear

in charge.

To handle the large number visitors here that week rooms outside the local hotels will be necessary, and it will be highly appreciated by those in charge of this work if the people of the town having extra roo notify Dr. Cone.

ROANOKE FAIR **OPENS TUESDAY**

Nat Reiss Shows Will Arrive Here Some Time Sunday Evening

With the most extensive program ever prepared, the Sixth Annual Roanoke Fair, opening here next Tuesday, bids well to surpass to a very great extent all past ones. Mr. John L. Rodgerson, manager of the fair, stated this morning that attention is being turned to the placing of exhibits in the large halls, that more than 700 birds have already been entered from two counties alone, and that similar work was underway in every department of the fair.

The Nat Reiss shows are scheduled to leave Richmond at 9 o'clock Sunday morning and arrive" here some time that evening. Ordinarily, eight hours are required to make the run. The shows travel in a train of 25 double-length railroad cars, and are the largest to ever come to this secbring the shows here, that amount be- registration of the qualified voters of ing for transportation alone. The train carrying the shows to Richmond enters over the R. F. and P. lines, but no station was mentioned where the train was made up in the routing sent to the A. C. L. agent here.

PROCEEDINGS OF SUPERIOR COURT

Majority of Cases Are for Minor Violations; One Murder Case

The majority of criminal cases on the docket of the present term of the Martin County Superior court are of a minor nature. There is, however, onc case involving murder, but the others have to do with stealing, fighting and liquor in one way or another.

The murder case on the docket in volves John Pitt, a 50-year-old negro. who is being tried for killing Jack Purrington, another negro, a few menths ago. The case is being heard menths ago. The case is being heard today and according to the evidence so far advanced Purrington went to Pitts home on Sunday, July 3 and cursed Pitt unmercifully over a dog which Pitt had bought from Tim Williamston, and Williamston agrees to see to the Virginia Electric and Power Company, agrees to purchase rown Williamston, and Williamston agrees to see to the Virginia Electric and Power Company, agrees to purchase rown Williamston, and Williamston agrees to see to the Virginia Electric and Power Company agrees to purchase rown Williamston, and williamston for the supply of electrical energy in Williamston and vicinity, including all customers' records and other office records, and including the entire electric light and power business as a going concern on conducted by Williamston, in the said Town and vicinity, for the sum of Seventy-five Thousand Dollars (\$75,000.00) in cash (excluding, however, the power house site,) upon the terms and conditions as follows; (a) The payment of said Seventy-five Thousand Dollars (\$75,000.00) in cash (excluding, however, the power house site,) upon the terms and conditions as follows; (a) The payment of said Seventy-five Thousand Dollars (\$75,000.00) in cash (excluding however, the power house site,) upon the terms and conditions as follows; (a) The payment of said Seventy-five Thousand Dollars (\$75,000.00) in cash (excluding however, the power house site,) upon the terms and conditions as follows; (a) The payment of said Seventy-five Thousand Dollars (\$75,000.00) in cash (excluding however, the power house site,) upon the terms and conditions as follows; (a) The payment of said Seventy-five Thousand Dollars (\$75,000.00) in cash (excluding however, the power house site,) upon the terms and conditions as follows; (a) The payment of said Seventy-five Thousand Dollars (\$75,000.00) in cash (excluding however, the power house site,) upon the terms and conditions as follows; (a) The payment of said Seventy-five Thousand Dollars (\$75,000.00) in cash (excluding however) in the t today and according to the evidence

Link Roberson, charged with driving an automobile while drunk, plead guilty to the charge and was fined \$50, all costs and had his license to drive a car revoked for four months. Sam and Mansy Roberson, charged with manufacturing liquor, were

Charged with larceny, James and

sault with a deadly weapon, plead guilty. He was sentenced to a stay of six months in jail, but this was suspended upon payment of cost and his entering into bond for good behavior for two years.

Bullock, adultery, was nol prossed with leave.

Justus Everett plead guilty to larceny charge and was sentenced to six months in jail. The sentence was the cost and paying C. M. Hyman \$25,00. He is to report to the court years and show good behavior.

Community Meeting At

There will be a community meeting at Farm Life school Friday night at 8:00 o'clock. All the people of the

Junior Order Will

call the attention of the Order's members to the meeting next Thursday night at 8 o'clock. In speaking of the attendance upon the meetings of the Order, Mr. B. S. Courtney stated that decided increase was expected now that the vacation times are over and the warm weather most gone.

FULL TEXT OF PROPOSAL FOR POWER PLANT

Memorandum of Agreement Submitted for Signatures Of Officials

ELECTION DEFERRED

Special Election To Be Called Within 60 Days After Signing of Memorandum of Agreement

While there has been no order issued for an election allowing the citizens of the town to pass upon the of Williamston relative to the purchase and sale of the local power and light system, a memorandum of agreement has been prepared as one of the initial steps in the matter.

The memorandum of agreement is made subject to the approval of the yoters of the town in a mainer protion. It will cost around \$1,000 to vided by law as to the sale. A new the town will be called and an election will be ordered within 60 days, according the agreement, after it ed by the proper author-

The me dum of agreement fol-

(1) The board of Commissioners of Williamston will grant to the Virginia Electric and Power Company a thirty year franchise to do a general retail and wholesale light and power business in Williamston, N. C., in the form set out in the franchise hereto attached.

(The ordinance referred to will be passed shortly by the commissioners; it does not appear here.—Ed.)

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(2) The Board of Commissioners of Williamton will transfer to the Virginia Electric and Power Company all rights, casements and agreements which it may have or hold for right of way purposes over private property, or along the state or county highways or roads, used in connection with the supply, distribution and sale of electrical energy in and around Williamston, excepting only such rights, easements and agreements as are necessary for right of way purposes in delivering power to the Town of Everetts, North Carolina.

(3) The Virginia Electric and Power Company agrees to purchase

liamston. The Virginia Electric and Power Company shall notify Williamston of its readiness to start the supply of electric service to the citizens of Williamston, and shall give at least thirty days notice before beginning such service, said service to the supplied from the transmission lines of the Virginia Electric and Power Company, and not later than one year, from the date the sale to b, all costs and had his license to be a car revoked for four months. Sam and Mansy Roberson, charged the manufacturing liquor, were and not guilty.

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CHANGE MADE IN TRAIN SCHEDULE

A. C. L. Announces New Schedule Effective Next Monday, 26th

Another change in the schedule of trains plying between Tarboro and Plymouth has been made and will go nto effect next Monday the 26th

With one exception the new sche dule affects all the trains running through here. Instead of the morning train arriving here at 8:30, it will arrive at 7:52. The afternoon train reaching here now at 4:50 will ar rive at 4:17. This change will make preposal made by the Virginia Elecconnections with other trains and busses in Rocky Mount. The evening train will reach here at 5:47 instead

of 6:30. According to Julian Harrell, the 'one-sixteen" train will continue to iun at 1:18.

No reason for the change in the schedules has been made by the A. C. L company. Station Agent V. D. Godwin was notified of the change neon today.

All trains running through Parmele will be adjusted to the new schedules

COUNTY AGENT'S AUGUST REPORT

Invites Orders for Pyratol-From Farmers Who Need Explosive

In his report to the county comnissioners for the month of August, f. B. Brandon, county agent, inviter orders from all farmers in the county who will want deliveries of pyrotol the latter part of the year. The report as submitted to the commissioners

"Seventeen days spent in field 4 days spent in office work, '6 spent on annual leave, 64 office con ferences, 49 telephone calls, 80 letters written, 40 farm visits, 602-miles traveled on official duties in the county, 4 articles written for local paper

243 hogs treated during the week. Mr. Brandon states that the first next Thursday. Orders will be limited to 1000 pounds and will start at 50 bank here has offered its services in taking the orders, and at any time farmers are not able to get in touch with the county agent, they can leave their orders with the bank.

Pyrotol has been used extensively in this county during the past two years. Last year alone, there were several cars of the material unloaded here and distributed to all parts of the county. The shipments are made in car lots only, bringing the ex plosive here in the cheapest way possible. The dynamite is made from ma terial prepared for war purposes, and is reworked and sold to farmers at

Woman's Club To Hold First Dance Tonight

rules and regulations established dur- can are urged to hear him. ing the past year.

served at the time the Virginia Elec tric and Power Company begins service to the citizens of Williamston) the Virginia Electric and Power Company will make effective its standarrates at Williamston, at the time elec trical service is made available from its transmission lines to the citizen of Williamston, copies of said rates being attached and made a part here

of.

(Rate schedules are available for local inspection at either the Mayor's or this office.—Ed.)

(5) The rates specified in this specif

or this office.—Ed.)

(5) The rates specified in this memorandum of agreement are the existing standard rates which the Virginia Electric and Power Company agrees to make applicable to all electric customers at Williamston, but should any or all of its existing rates be revised, altered or eliminated with the approval of the State Corporation Commission of North Carolina, or otherwise according to law, then such new or revised rates as may be made from time to time applicable to such service will apply for service renederd to electric customers at Williamston.

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(7) Williamston shall have the right o re-sell electrical energy to the

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Sells Barn Tobacco Here For \$569.28

Allen Griffin sold a barn of tobacco on the local market last week for \$569.28. There were 800 sticks in the barn and when the tobacco was graded out it weighed 1826 pounds, making a net average of \$31.17 per hun-

Similar averages have been reported met every day, some of them going as high as \$37. per hundred,

ORTHOPAEDIC CLINIC MONDAY IN WASHINGTON

All Cripples in Beaufort And Martin Counties Urged to Attend

TREATMENT IS FREE

Thirty-five Cripples Reported at First Clinic Held August 26; None From Martin County

Monday, September 26th with all the cripples in Beaufort and adjoining counties urged to attend. This is the cond meeting of the clinic and it is he hope of those in charge that the unfortunate ones in this county will go to the clinic for treatment. Practically every county included in the exception of Martin

Cheer has been brought to the hearts of many cripples in those counties by the possibility of improvement through the treatment offered by the

Crippled children and disabled men omen with clubbed feet, deform c' backs, crippled hands, arms and ligs who are unable to pay for treatent are having their deformities corrected free of charge through this nic. At the first session of this Chile on August 26th, thirty-five oripples reported for examination and

treatment. This clinic, which is sponsored and supported by the Rotary Club of Washington and Beaufort county, rings Dr. J. S. Gaul, one of the ding orthopaedic surgeons of the State, to Washington on Monday following the fourth Saturday of each month for the examination and treat ment of the indigent cripples of Beaufort and adjacent counties.

Every disabled resident of Martin unty is invited to attend the clinic

WOMANS CLUB TO MEET THURSDAY

Is First Meeting Since Last Spring; Big Attendance Is Expected

meeting of the Woman's club after The Woman's club will hold its first the summer season here next Thurs. Moore and primary B, Miss Essie day afternoon at 4:00 o'clock is urged by the president, Mrs. Wheeler Marcordially invited. Mrs. W. B. Watts will be at the piano.

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> At a meeting of the executive committee of the club a few days ago pians for the year's work were made, and these will be laid before the club for discussion. The meeting is not limited to the membership, and the club's officials are very anxious for cut, causing the car to do a complete ell the ladies in the community to at-

Nat Reiss Shows Praised By Streator, Ill., Man

The Nat Reiss Show owners, Mr. and Mrs. Harry G. Melville, were highly praised in a letter from Mr. J. 1. Coltrain, of Streator, Ill. to the manager of the Roanoke Fair association received here yesterday. Mr. Coltrain, learning through the columns of this paper that the Nat Reiss shows are to play here next week, writes that the friends of Mr. and Mrs Melville in Streator join in wishing them a success in our town, Mr. Coltrain also mentions the work carried on by the owners of the Nat Reiss shows, bringing about cleaner and better amusements, that their shows have met with very high approval in in all parts of the country.

Kiwanis Club To Meet Tomorrow

TEACHERS HOLD FIRST MEETING HERE SATURDAY

Seventy-Seven Teachers of Martin County Schools Present at Meeting

ELECT NEW OFFICERS

Prof. J. L. Jones, of Jamesville, Named President; Miss Mildred Darden of Williamston, Secretary

The first meeting of the teachers of he county was held in the school ouilding here last Saturday afternoon with 77 teachers attending. Officers for he year, Mr. J. L. Jones, of Jamesville, president, Miss Mildred Darden, of Williamston, secretary, were elect-

Supt. R. A. Pope, in his talk before reeting, welcomed the teachers to the county and stressed several matters of importance in connection with the successful operation of the schools. The parents-teachers association in the school, according to Mr. Pope, could be made of great value in the development of the school and he asked for reports from those schools where such organizations ex-The next meeting of the orthopaedic ist. Membership in the North Caroclinic will be held in Washington on lina Educational association was stressed, the speaker showing wherein the organization was a unit in so far as a teacher's work is concerned. Several schools in the county have 100 per cent, membership in the association, and an increase is expected when the six-months schools open for the 1927-28 session.

In explaining the school register, the Superintendent asked that every governing it. The proper care of school property was mentined as a duty, and attention was called to that part of the school law where every person under 21 years of age was call-

d to complete the fourth grade. During the meeting the several prin ipals present offered ideas and sug gested types of organization in relation to high school schedules. In this onnection, it was urged by the County Superintendent that an organization be formed, bringing about a more uniform schedule throughout the county. Mr. Pope offered an outline, which, according to his statements, would go far in preventing conflicts

and misunderstandings in the schools. Turning its attention to athletics, the meeting agreed that the several schools should place county games ahead of all others and that a tournament should be arranged to care for such games.

Before the several groups assembled in their divisional meetings, old members of the various school faculties in the county-expressed a most favorable opinion of the spirit of the teachers, stating the schools were beng brought together in a more

friendly way Assignments were made and the following were made group leaders: grade, A. Eber Manning. Life; grammar grade, B, J. L. Jones, ct Jamesville; primary A. Miss Lèona

Escape in Auto Wreck

Hubert Cook and Joe Roberson, ir. narrowly escaped serious injury yesterday morning when their Ford coupe turned over near here on the Washington road. The two boys had just made a trip to Washington and were almost home when a tire blew twist before young Roberson, the driver, knew what had happened.

The Cook youngster went through the accident with no noticeable bruises while Roberson suffered a small head wound. The Ford coupe, belonging to Miss Mary Cook here, was badly dam-

Large Crowds Attend Gold Point Church

Rev. A. E. Purvis, of Hassell, preached at the Gold Point Christian church Sunday. The church was filled almost to its capacity. There were five additions to the church during the week and a splendid spirit of friendship and fellowship prevails as the fruit

Local Fire Company To Meet Thursday Night

All members of the Williamston Fire company are requested to meet the headquarters Thursday night at 7:30 o'clock. There will be no regular the regular meeting of the club will be held tomorrow at 12.30 and that they are requested to be present. In the property of the club will meeting on Monday, September 26th and Chief H. D. Harrison wants a large number present Thursday. large number present Thursday.