

## AUTO LICENSES FOR NEXT YEAR HAVE ARRIVED

Total of 4,630 Licenses Are Sent to Local Bureau for Distribution

### TO SELL FOR \$65,300

Sale Will Begin Either December 1st or 15th and Last About 60 Days; 4000 Class E Licenses

Four thousand six hundred and thirty automobile and truck licenses have been shipped here for distribution through the license bureau at the Williamston Motor company's garage. December 1 has been mentioned as a probable time the bureau will place the licenses on sale, but it might be that it will not open before the 15th of the month.

Application cards will be mailed from the Raleigh office within the next few days, making it easier for car owners to secure their license tags.

The 4,630 licenses will sell for \$65,300, quite a large sum for one company to handle in less than two months. There are 4,000 E licenses, and they will sell for \$50,000 or \$12,500 each. They start at \$27,501 and run through 241,500. In the A and B classes there are only 20 licenses at the local bureau, 10 for each class. In the C class there are 200 licenses on hand.

Managers of the local bureau stated yesterday that they did not expect the sale beginning next month and continuing until the first of February to reach the figure made last June and July. The agency sold exactly 5,000 tags during the two summer months. With many cars stored for the winter and with the annual junking of a large number of them, local managers stated that a small decrease in the sales could be expected. The return to the regular price will have something to do with the expected decrease in sales, so the managers state.

## TWO CLUBS TO HEAR CHASE

Manager to Power Company To Address Kiwanis and Woman's Clubs

Members of the Kiwanis club here are urged to attend the regular luncheon at 12:30 tomorrow. Mr. J. T. Chase, manager of the Carolina Division of the Virginia Electric and Power company will make a short talk before the meeting, and answer any questions connected with the proposed sale of the town's light and power system.

While here Mr. Chase will be glad to explain any feature of the memorandum of agreement or any other matter connected with the proposed sale of the town's electric distribution system.

At three o'clock that afternoon, Mr. Chase will address the Woman's club. There will be no meeting of the club Thursday, and everybody, non-members as well as members, are urged to attend and get first-hand information on the power situation here.

### Regular Meeting Junior Order Is Postponed

The local council Jr. O. U. A. M. will not hold its regular meeting on Thursday night, the 24th on account of the Union Thanksgiving services at the Baptist church and the absence of many members from town.

The meeting will be held on Thursday night of next week, December 1. This will be a very important meeting and every member is urged to attend as there will be much business to come before the meeting and officers will be nominated.

## STRAND THEATRE

TONIGHT AND WEDNESDAY

JOHN GILBERT and RENEE ADOREE

in the greatest of all great pictures

"THE BIG PARADE"

Show Starts at 7:30

Always a Good Show

## TO CONTINUE SOIL SURVEY

S. O. Perkins Returns to Complete Survey Begun Last Year

Mr. S. O. Perkins, of the Department of Chemistry and Soils of the United States Department of Agriculture, has returned here to continue a survey of the soil in the county. Mr. Perkins arrived yesterday and will start work within the next few days to complete the survey commenced several months ago.

During the past six months, Mr. Perkins has been making a survey of the soil in Cecil county, Maryland. His work during the next several months will carry him in the townships in the upper end of the county, the work being almost complete in the townships south of here.

Mr. Perkins will be assisted again by Mr. S. R. Bacon, of the North Carolina Experiment Station, Raleigh. Mr. Bacon will arrive the latter part of this week or the early part of next when work will be started.

In the first half of the survey made before going to Maryland, Mr. Perkins stated that he found some very good soil in the county, but that there was a great deal of it that was of little value on account of poor drainage.

According to present plans, Mr. Perkins states that the survey will be made complete by May of next year.

## HOLDING COURT IN WASHINGTON

Judge Moore Exchanges With Judge Midyette and Holds Court in Beaufort

Judge Clayton Moore is holding court in Beaufort county this week by exchange with Judge Garland E. Midyette, who is in the district but is in Granville county holding the special term of superior court for Judge Moore.

Several murder cases are on the Beaufort's court docket. Three first degree indictments have already been returned by the grand jury.

The case of most interest, however, is that of State against Baum and Burrus, charging them with the killing of Mrs. J. D. Bullock in front of her home in Leecheville a few weeks ago. It is alleged that both Burrus and Baum were drinking and that Baum did not know how to drive a car. On their way from Hyde county, Burrus insisted on Baum's trying while he got in the back seat with Baum's daughter. Baum's reckless driving was said to have been the reason of Mrs. Bullock's being hit and instantly killed by the car.

Judge Moore ordered a special venire of 50 men to meet the court today from which it is expected a jury will be selected.

## KILL MULE ON HIGHWAY NO. 30

Girl, Driving Williamston Car, Did Not Stop After Striking Mule

A girl, driving a Buick sedan, hit and killed a mule on the Washington road near the T. R. Hodges farm last Saturday afternoon. The mule belonged to a Mr. Cherry, of Beaufort county. The mule was hitched to a cart and was being managed by a small boy when the accident happened. The little boy escaped injury, but was in great distress when people from here en route to Washington stopped to offer assistance.

The animal's little driver said that two girls in a Buick sedan bearing a Williamston license ran into him and instantly killed his mule, but did not hurt him. The girls did not stop to find out what happened but drove right on without offering any assistance.

### President Is Asked To Intervene in Coal Strike

Washington, Nov. 21.—President Coolidge was asked today by a delegation of labor leaders to intervene in the bituminous coal strike in Pennsylvania, West Virginia and Ohio but he left with them clearly the advice that he saw little desirability in calling a conference between miners and operators unless both were agreed some good might come from it.

To the request of the delegation which was headed by William Green, president of the American Federation of Labor, and John L. Lewis, president of the United Mine Workers of America, for a Congressional investigation of "an alleged conspiracy of large railroads to depress the price of coal," Mr. Coolidge advised the workers' representatives they could expect justice and cooperation if they filed their complaint with the Interstate Commerce Commission.

## WILL BEGIN SALE OF CHRISTMAS SEALS THURSDAY

20,000 Seals Received by Local Committee To Sell During Drive

### ENDS CHRISTMAS DAY

Part of Money Is Kept for Local Work; Milk Furnished School Children Here Last Year

Twenty thousand Tuberculosis Christmas Seals were received here today by the seal committee for the 20th annual Christmas Seal which will be conducted here and throughout the State from Thanksgiving Day to Christmas. The sale of these seals renders possible the carrying on of a continuous educational and preventive campaign in North Carolina to fight tuberculosis and other diseases.

Last year milk was furnished eighteen undernourished school children in Williamston. This was made possible through the sale of Christmas seals. A committee appointed by the Woman's club hopes to do even more this year and the support of local citizens is asked in this work.

During the past years the tuberculosis death rate in North Carolina has been reduced 51 per cent.—over one-half—a result attributed mainly to the campaign of education, prevention and treatment financed largely by Christmas Seal funds.

The North Carolina Tuberculosis association, with which the local health association is affiliated, cooperates with the State Sanatorium, the State Department of Health, the Department of Agriculture, the State Educational Institutions, the Department of Public Instruction, the American Red Cross, the State Teachers association, the P. T. A., the American Legion, the Women's clubs, Farm Bureau, Labor and Commercial organizations, Kiwanis clubs, and maintain a staff of workers in the fields at all times. Its work, however, is carried on without state or federal aid, and its support has always been of a voluntary nature.

Below is a short review of the work carried on through the sale of Christmas seals in this State in 1926. Furnished milk and hot lunches to approximately 2,000 undernourished children whose parents could not provide them, thereby transforming weak, pitiful, pale, undernourished children into strong, happy, rosy youngsters.

Bought up-to-date school scales for over 100 schools, creating an active interest in gaining and growing strong at a saving of \$700.

Paid the salary and expenses of nutrition workers who gave demonstrations in some instances reduced the percentage of underweight in schools from over 30 to 10 per cent, thereby saving at least large numbers of children from becoming potential tuberculosis patients.

Furnished breakfast, mid-morning and noonday nutrition for a third grade undernourished boy who stole money to buy food, thereby changing him from a criminal to a good citizen in the making.

Financed the anaesthetic and hospital fees for tonsilectomies for over 200 children whose parents were unable to pay even this nominal sum. The surgeons of the State donated their services free of charge.

Brought health training in schools to over 100 teachers, thereby giving stories, games, projects and health information to hundreds of school children.

Fitted seriously undernourished children with glasses when their parents were unable to pay for them, thereby curing their nervousness and leading them to gaining a healthful weight.

Paid the salaries of school dentists and provided funds for dental service.

Sent crusade supplies to over 50,000 school children, thereby helping them to build strong bodies through good health habits.

Helped to keep colored supervisors on the job for a longer period than is provided by law, thereby giving the colored school children additional training in good health habit formation.

Provided home nursing and care for tuberculosis patients who could not afford to pay.

Paid the expense of tuberculosis patients at the State, county and private Sanatoria.

Provided funds for the examination of the pre-school child, thereby helping him to be free to gain before entering school.

### Two Stills Captured By Federal Agents Monday

Federal Agent C. F. Alexander with Sheriff A. L. Roebuck, J. R. Manning, and Deputy Marshall Edwards, captured two stills yesterday a mile south of Bear Grass. One of the stills was of 80-gallon capacity

## THANKSGIVING DAY PROGRAM

Two Church Services; Many Plan to Spend Day in Other Towns

Should present plans of the majority of the town's people materialize, Thursday will be a dull day here. Everything will be closed, and clerks and employees, in the most of cases, will spend the day out of town. The schools will be closed Thursday and Friday and with Saturday and Sunday added to the holiday, practically all the teachers will spend the four days at their homes.

Many Plan to Attend Game The town will be well represented at the football game between the Universities of Virginia and North Carolina when around a dozen cars travel to Chapel Hill that day from here.

For the past few days turkeys from the surrounding countryside have been brought here, and it now looks as if those remaining at home will give thanks over a great big turkey.

In the morning at 11 o'clock the Episcopal church will hold its regular Thanksgiving Day service.

The regular community Thanksgiving service will be held in the evening at the Baptist church with Dr. Fitzgerald and the pastor, C. H. Dickey, preaching the sermon. The public is cordially invited to attend the service.

## SEIZE STILL AT LEGGETTS POND

Operators Warned in Time To Escape, But Officers Get 20 Gallons Liquor

Sheriff A. L. Roebuck and Deputy H. O. Daniel fished and hunted in the Leggett's mill pond last Friday and found a copper still of about 80-gallon capacity with a stream of liquor running from its worm.

Signal guns were fired on the hill just as the officers got in sight and the chase was on. The two operators grabbed a keg of liquor each and started to ford the mill pond. The sheriff fired a few shots and the man with the 20-gallon keg dropped it in the water while the other one made the shore on the other side. The officers followed the men but lost out. They returned and captured the 20 gallons of liquor, it having drifted a good ways down the creek.

The liquor was poured out, twelve barrels of beer were destroyed together with the still's equipment. The kettle was brought here.

The officers were unable to identify the men on account of the distance between them when the chase started.

## TOBACCO THEFTS ARE NUMEROUS

Farmer in Goose Nest Loses 650 Pounds Weed From Pack House

Tobacco stealing in these parts has reached that point where it is a common thing for a farmer to go to his pack house and find a thousand or more pounds of tobacco missing. Last week, thieves entered the packhouse of Mr. James R. Perry in Goose Nest township and carried away a barn of the weed which was already graded and ready for the market. For several days, Mr. Perry was unable to find any trace of it until he found his sticks in a warehouse here where they had been left by a man who had brought the tobacco here and sold it last Friday.

There were around 650 pounds in the lot and was of average quality, valued around \$150.

### Large Breaks Tobacco On Market This Week

Large breaks of tobacco were on the local warehouse floors yesterday and today. Another large break is expected tomorrow, the day the market closes for the Thanksgiving holidays. The market will reopen Monday.

Prices appeared to be a little stronger on the common grades today. It is a rare thing to see a mark below ten cents and only a few above forty-five cents.

The warehousemen here say that while a number of farmers have already sold their entire crops, good sales are expected again next Monday and on up to the Christmas holidays.

From indications one of the stills had been in operation only a few hours before the arrival of the officers.

## HOLD HEARING ON WATERWAYS IMPROVEMENTS

Number Citizens of Section Present Arguments and Data at Session

### FINAL ACTION LATER

Information Gathered To Be Turned Over to Congressional Committee for Action

A hearing on the proposed improvement of Gardner's creek and Devils Gut, waterways near here, was held here yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock in the courthouse. Engineers of the War Department accepted the data and arguments—offered by citizens from Jamesville, Williamston and Williams township and Hertford.

Many questions were asked by the engineers for the purpose of ascertaining facts about the waters of both the creek and the gut as to depth, width, length and as well as to their location in the community they are proposed to serve, and as to whether they are now serving any commercial purposes. The probable use of the two streams after they are improved was discussed.

The Major Loomis Lumber company, represented by Attorney Chas. Whedby, asked that the mouth of the gut be deepened, overhanging trees cut, and logs and trees now forming obstructions be removed.

While the lumber company is interested only in a personal way in a few miles of the lower part of the gut, its representative suggested the extension of the improvement through to the upper mouth and use it for boat line traffic instead of using the river. By so doing, it was stated, the distance would be shortened on the river route seven miles and the current in the gut would be slower than that in the river.

This suggestion did not seem to appeal to those interested in general commerce on the Roanoke and who know that to make the necessary improvements and make the gut equal to the river as a commercial channel would cost a million dollars or more.

The meeting resulted in gathering much data on the question of the need to improve the streams in question. The information will go to the proper department for recommendations to the Rivers and Harbors Committee of Congress where final action will result.

## BAPTIST YOUNG PEOPLE TO MEET

Regional Conference at Local Baptist Church On Saturday Morning

The pastor of the local Baptist church has just received a communication from the General Board of the North Carolina Baptist Convention, saying that a Regional Conference has been called to meet at the Baptist church here Saturday morning at 10 o'clock.

This meeting has been called by Mr. Perry Morgan of Raleigh, who is general secretary of the Baptist Young People's work of the State.

This gathering will be held in the rooms of the Memorial Baptist church, and the sessions will open Saturday morning at the hour mentioned above; lunch will be served at the Britt hotel, and an afternoon session will follow at the church.

Mr. Morgan states that there will possibly be twenty-five young people in Williamston for the conference.

### Attend Meeting Baptist Centennial Committee

Tonight, Rev. C. H. Dickey and a committee from his church are attending a committee meeting and supper at the First Baptist church of Tarboro.

The meeting is being held in the interest of the Baptist Centennial Fund, which is an attempt upon the part of the Baptists of this State to raise one and a half millions of dollars for their seven educational interests in the State.

The local church's quota is about \$1,500.

### Slight Rise in Cotton Is Caused By Report

A report of the Census Bureau at Washington on the cotton ginnings in the country caused a slight increase in the price of the staple yesterday.

The report up to November 14, shows that there were 10,899,182 bales of cotton ginned this year up to that time as compared with 12,956,444 up to that time last year. In the same period in 1925, there were 12,260,352 bales ginned.

Three states, Alabama, Mississippi and Texas, passed the million mark in ginnings.

### Union Service At Baptist Church

Following out the usual custom among the churches in Williamston, the several churches will unite Thursday evening at 7:30 o'clock in the Baptist church for their common Thanksgiving service.

It is not definitely announced just who will preach the sermon. It is hoped that the newly-appointed Methodist minister will be here in time to preach. If not, the pastor of the local Baptist church will deliver the sermon.

With only one service in town that night, a large congregation should assemble for this service. The members of the other churches in town are asked to come to the choir room of the Baptist church, and join with the Baptist choir in making the music.

Everyone is invited to this special service.

## HAND DEFEAT TO VANCEBORO

Williamston High School Eleven Wins Good Game Here Last Friday

Williamston's high school football team added to its success here last Friday afternoon when it defeated Vanceboro's strong eleven in one of the best games of the season.

The game evidenced a season of intensive practice and careful coaching. In every play, the local lads worked in perfect unison, very seldom ignoring or forgetting the signals.

The success of the squad is even more significant when the small number eligible for football in the local school is considered. With only two men to spare, Coach Hood made it clear to the boys that it was up to them to follow the season through, for there was no relief to be had in extra players.

This afternoon, the boys are playing Eureka here, and it might be the last game of the season.

## TEACHERS MEET IN GREENVILLE

R. A. Pope Is Elected To Head Superintendent's Division

Teachers and school superintendents of 25 counties, composing the northeastern group of the Teachers association, met in Greenville Friday and Saturday of last week. There were about 2,000 present.

The programs were well planned and many prominent speakers addressed the teachers during the two days. The talks of Dr. Marie Woodring, of Columbia and Dr. Willis Sutton, of the Atlanta City schools, were well received. Their subjects dealt with directing study.

Friday evening the college there and the Greenville chamber of commerce gave a barbecue to the visitors.

Supt. R. A. Pope, head of the schools in this county, was elected president of the superintendents' division of the association; H. W. Early, of Windsor, vice president and E. E. Sams, of Kinston, secretary.

Elizabeth City, Kinston, Rocky Mount and Greenville asked for the next meeting, and after a vote Greenville was selected again for the next meeting.

### Services At Episcopal Church Thanksgiving

The usual Thanksgiving Day service of the Episcopal Church will be held this year at 11 o'clock a. m.

The altar will be decorated with the fruits of the harvest, which after the service will be distributed to any need family in the community.

The annual offering for the Church orphanage will be received at this service.

The public is cordially invited.

C. O. PARDO, Rector.

### Baptists Start Campaign In Martin County Today

The Baptist educational campaign which has been in progress for several days and weeks over the State, started in Martin county today. Rev. C. H. Dickey, at a meeting held in Wilson recently, was appointed chairman of the Martin County division.

The quota for the State is \$1,500,000 and the quota apportioned to the local church is \$1400, which the pastor says will be easy to raise.

This money goes to the general educational fund that supports the seven Baptist institutions of the State.

## MAN SERIOUSLY HURT IN WRECK SATURDAY NIGHT

Four Cars Figure in Wreck in Which D. J. Meeks Is Injured

### CONDITION: CRITICAL

Meeks Struck by Third Car After His And Another Had Collided Saturday Night Near Everetts

Highway 30 was the scene of a near-tragedy Saturday night when D. J. Meeks was seriously hurt and Mr. and Mrs. Louis Peel slightly injured, in and immediately following a wreck of four cars, between here and Everetts.

Meeks was going to his home near Everetts when he met and hit the Ford coupe belonging to and driven by Mr. Peel. The Ford touring car, belonging to Mr. Meeks, lost a wheel in the wreck while the Peel car was turned over and badly damaged. Mr. and Mrs. Peel crawled from their overturned car, and without serious injury.

People traveling the road assisted in dragging the wrecked cars from the road. The Meeks car lacked just a few inches of clearing the road, and before the several people could drag it nearer the ditch, a big truck going toward Everetts ran to the left of the road and hit the car, causing more damage to it than the wreck just a few minutes before. The truck driver failed to stop, but increased its speed.

The little group of people at the scene had hardly recovered from the excitement caused by the truck before another mishap was added, resulting in the near-killing of Meeks. Mayo Harrison, a farmer living near here, was traveling in this direction and when he came near the scene of the wreck he was almost blinded by lights from cars meeting him. He was driving on his side of the road and with care, but not seeing the wrecks at the side of the road, he failed to slow down, but continued just as he would have done when meeting other cars. Just before he reached the wreck, Meeks wandered out in front of the approaching car and it knocked him 40 feet down the road. Harrison with the others there rushed to him, but for a while they thought he was dead. He came to after a few minutes and Harrison brought him to doctors here. Upon examination here, one of his legs was found to have been crushed in the blow, his right hand and arm broken, and cuts and bruises made all over his body and face. He was later removed to a Washington hospital where doctors state he is in a critical condition.

In explaining how the wreck happened, Mr. Peel stated that Meeks suddenly turned to the left and struck his car although he had driven practically off the road in an effort to miss Meeks' car. Meeks stated he turned to the left, but claimed he did so to enable him to complete a turn onto a side road leading to his home on the right of the highway. The road referred to by Meeks was more than a quarter of a mile further down the highway.

Several people stated that Meeks was drinking at the time, and that he was warned of the approach of the Harrison car. Meeks stated it was a good thing that he was not drinking.

## \$100 IN PRIZES FOR PEANUTS

Will Be Given for Best Exhibits of 25 Bunches at Peanut Exposition

The Eastern, Carolina and Tidewater Virginia Peanut exposition is offering handsome prizes for the best peanuts exhibited at the show in Ahoskie the week of December 5.

A prize of \$50 will go to the farmer showing the best peanuts on the vines, consisting of 25 bunches. A second prize of \$35 will be given the next best exhibitor and \$15 will go to the third best exhibitor.

Farmers any where in this section who have not picked their peanuts are asked to select the best 25 bunches they can find and send them to the secretary of the exposition at Ahoskie. There will be no entrance fee charged.

### Playground Equipment Is Installed at School

The little kiddies of the local school had their hearts made glad this morning when they arrived at school and found their playground equipped with giant strides and merry-go-rounds.

During the past several months, the parents-teachers association has busied itself with the purchase of such playground equipment. Surely, the association's efforts and goodness will receive the hearty thanks of the little children.