

## HOME AGENT TO HOLD 2 MEETINGS HERE SATURDAY

First Meeting Is For 4-H Club Secretaries and Presidents

## TO PLAN PROGRAMS

Second Meeting Is For Presidents and Secretaries of Women's Clubs Of County

Although she has been in the county a very short while, Miss Lora E. Sleeper, the new county home demonstrator, has visited practically all the schools in the county, arranging a program to be followed throughout the year.

Tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock, Miss Sleeper will hold a meeting in her office at the courthouse with the presidents and secretaries of all the 4-H clubs in the county. The attendance of the club presidents and secretaries is urged, as definite plans will be made in carrying out the program for the year.

A meeting of the presidents and secretaries of the Women's clubs in the county will follow that of the 4-H club secretaries and presidents in the agent's office. This meeting will be held about 3 o'clock.

In working out a uniform program for the year, Miss Sleeper stated that it was very important that the secretaries and presidents of the clubs attend these first meetings, and that if it was not possible for a secretary or a president to attend, she should send some member of her club to represent the group.

## FIRST NEW STARS HERE NEXT WEEK

Is First of New Models To Be Shipped Into North Carolina

The first carload of the new model Star automobiles to arrive in North Carolina will be unloaded here next week. Mr. B. R. Barnhill, of the Barnhill Motor Company here stated this morning. The cars were shipped from the factory last Tuesday, and are expected here not later than the latter part of next week.

The factory is beginning to make shipments of its car all over the country, and the carload billed for this place is the first to be shipped to this State.

## Register of Deeds Has Many Jobs

That the Register of Deeds of Martin county does more than issue marriage licenses, act as clerk to the Board of County Commissioners, record the vital statistics, keep the county's books, prepare statements, sign vouchers, and other things, is shown by the number of instruments carried to his office for recording in one day. Yesterday there were fifty-four exceedingly large number, one exceedingly large number, and one exceedingly large number, all done that shows there are many transactions being carried on in the county.

Mr. Getzinger stated that the work of the Register has more than doubled itself since last December, indicating a busy year for 1928.

## Man To Be Here To Assist In Filing Tax Returns

Representatives of the U. S. Internal Revenue Department will be in the county February 17 to assist taxpayers in filling in Federal income tax returns, according to an announcement made by Gilliam Grissom, U. S. Collector, Raleigh, N. C. The representatives will be in the county for one day only and will be located at Williamston.

## STRAND THEATRE

**SATURDAY**  
**YAKIMA CANUTT**  
in  
**"Wild Horse Canyon"**  
Also  
**Two - Reel Comedy**  
And Serial  
**Theatre Well Heated**

## BUSY TUESDAY FOR RECORDER

Twelve Cases On Docket; Big Crowd Attends Proceedings

On account of the two weeks' special term of superior court, beginning here next Monday, a case continued in the recorder's court here last Tuesday was considered of great value by those defendants who have a fair chance of sentences. However, Judge Bailey did not favor any of the defendants, for only three out of twelve cases were continued. The Tuesday session was of much interest to many, and the court took on the appearance of a small superior court.

After having his case continued several times, Floyd Moore pleaded guilty last Tuesday of simple assault. His plea was accepted and judgment was suspended upon the payment of the costs of the action. The charge against Moore was that of obtaining a marriage license falsely.

Alexander Williams and David Cooper appealed from the sentence pronounced by Judge Bailey, and decided to face the next regular term of superior court. Each of the defendants was placed under a \$500 bond. The sentence meted Williams was of nine months' duration and provided for him to work on the Edgecombe county roads. Cooper's sentence was six months, with the same privileges—mainly, to work on the Edgecombe county roads. The two men appeared before Judge Bailey last week and pleaded guilty of manufacturing liquor.

Gus Knight pleaded guilty to an assault with a deadly weapon charge, and by his paying the prosecuting witness, Handy Ore, \$40 and a \$18 doctor's bill, judgment was suspended. The \$40 went to Ore because he was unable to work for two weeks after the assault.

The case charging Joe Henry Gilmore with assault with a deadly weapon was not prosessed.

The case against J. W. Bailey, Melvin Bailey and J. S. Bailey were not prosessed. Perline was charged with assault with a deadly weapon; the other three defendants were charged with trespassing.

The case, charging Mack Gilmore with assault with deadly weapon, was continued until February 14. Peter Spruill, charged with attempted assault, had his case continued until that date also.

In settling the reckless driving charge against Jesse Killebrew, the court required him to pay Paul Leggett, prosecuting witness, \$90 and the costs of the action.

The case against Enly Speller was again continued, this time until February 14. Speller is charged with assault with deadly weapon and carrying a concealed weapon.

The court agreed with Herman Manning, John Manning and John Mobley when they plead not guilty of assault with a deadly weapon. Many people from the Oak City community were down to attend the trial of the case.

The court's order in the case charging Ned Bonj's with operating a car while intoxicated reads: "Judgment absolute in accordance with the scifa and scifa to be discharged upon payment of the sum of \$200; clerk to pay the cost of the action and the rest to go to the school fund."

## Two Road Projects in This District Are Let Yesterday

Seventeen projects, including 115.99 miles of State highways and a bridge over the Pamlico river, and totaling \$2,321,400.70 were let by the Highway Commission in Raleigh yesterday.

Two of the seventeen projects affect this section, one at Washington and the other from Windsor to Edenton. The project in Bertie county calls for the hard surfacing of the road from Windsor to the new Chowan bridge. The cost of the project is \$357,279.30. The road from the bridge to Edenton will also be hard surfaced. The latter will cost \$93,918.00. Both contracts go to the Roberts Paving Company.

The Washington project calls for the construction of a bridge across the Pamlico near Washington at a cost of \$189,589.50.

The bridge will be 1,225 feet in length, and will contain a 168-foot steel swing span.

## Junior Class of Sunday School Is Organized

A junior class was organized by twelve members of the Christian Sunday school when they met at the home of Mrs. J. O. Manning this week.

After a short devotional program, led by Mrs. J. H. Hale, officers were elected and committees appointed.

The class joined in singing, "When Love Shines In." The meeting was brought to a close with the hymn, "Blest be the Tie that Binds" and benediction by the pastor, Rev. Mr. Hale. After which, refreshments were served.

## SPECIAL TERM OF SUPERIOR COURT STARTS MONDAY

Term Is For Trial of Civil Cases Only; Lasts But Two Weeks

## 71 CASES SCHEDULED

Judge Clayton Moore To Preside; Wide Variance in Cases; None of General Interest

A calendar, showered with cases, faces the special term of Martin County Superior court which will be held here for two weeks beginning next Monday. The special term is for the trial of civil cases only. Judge Clayton Moore will preside.

At their meeting here in November, the County Commissioners asked that a special term of court be held in an effort to relieve the badly congested docket of some of the civil cases. Seventy-one cases are scheduled to be heard during the two weeks' term. Deducting that number from the entire list of cases appearing on the records, there remain around 134 civil cases on the docket.

The cases vary in their nature, and are brought into court under every conceivable statute, it seems. None of the suits is of particular interest; that is, to the general public, however.

## J. W. HOPKINS DIES TUESDAY

Pneumonia Cause of Death; Lived in Williams Township

Mr. J. Will Hopkins died early Tuesday night at his home in Williams township from an attack of pneumonia. During the past several weeks he had been in feeble health, but his condition was not considered serious until a day or two before his death. Mr. Hopkins had lived practically all his life in Williams township where he farmed. He was 53 years old.

The deceased is survived by his widow and nine children, Herbert, of near Hamilton; Annie, Harry, Louvina, Joe, Delma, Clarence, Eloise, of Williams township and Minnie, of Akron, Ohio. The funeral was held at the home yesterday afternoon by Rev. C. H. Dickey, of the local Baptist church, and interment took place in the Hopkins graveyard in Williams township.

## Auto License Bureau To Close January 31

The local automobile license bureau will close along with twenty-five other bureaus in the State, next Tuesday, January 31 by order of R. A. Doughton, State Commissioner of Revenue.

Several bureaus in the State will remain open, the nearest one to this place being Rocky Mount.

The issuance of licenses here is running a little under the mark of last June when five thousand tags were sold. The issuance of the licenses is running about thirty thousand behind the number issued in June.

## Billy Sunday To Stage Big Revival in Greenville

Greenville, Jan. 26.—Plans for the evangelistic campaign to be conducted in this city by Rev. William Sunday, widely known evangelist, continued to assume more concrete form today with announcement of the coming of Mr. Sunday not later than the week of April 2nd.

This announcement was made today by Rev. W. S. Harden, chairman of the local campaign committee, following receipt of a letter from Mr. Sunday, detailing with plans for his visit to Greenville.

A representative of the evangelist will come to Greenville during the month of March to make final arrangements for the campaign.

Mr. Sunday at the present time is closing a whirlwind campaign in the city of St. Louis. He will go to Kansas at a later date where he is scheduled to conduct a lengthy series of services. From there he will come to Greenville.

## Republicans To Meet Here Next Wednesday

The Republican Congressional committee of the First District will meet in the office of Attorney Wheeler Martin here next Wednesday, February 1.

One of the leading members of the Republic Party in Beaufort county says they are going to endorse Lowden for President. He further stated that Lowden is one of the strongest and best-known men in the county and can win easily if nominated.

The matters of special importance will be the making of arrangements for selecting delegates to the National and other conventions to be held during the summer.

## CHURCH MEET IN EVERETTS

Union Meeting of Christian Churches There Saturday And Sunday

The union meeting of the Christian churches in the Roanoke district will be held with the Everetts church tomorrow and Sunday. Many members from the forty churches in this district are expected to attend the several sessions.

The first session will be held tomorrow morning at 10:00 o'clock. A second session will be held in the afternoon and a third tomorrow night. The meeting will close with a regular preaching service Sunday morning.

A carefully arranged program will be followed during the meeting and many of the pastors in the district will discuss the various problems now confronting the Sunday School and the Church.

## TAKE STRANGERS SNIPE HUNTING

Visitors To South for First Time Spend Night in Woods—And How!

After explaining the theory of snipe-hunting over a period of several days, employees of the local telephone company, at the request of H. J. McVetty and C. A. McNelis, of New York, willingly consented to teach the two young men snipe-hunting from the practical side.

It was during the few days of recent cold weather and about 9:30 o'clock, the time when the snipes begin to jump freely, that the party left for a small stream about three miles from here in the Tyner Town section. Mac and Mac felt highly honored when they were privileged with holding the sacks while the "wise" fellows went up the small creek to frighten the unsuspecting snipe down the stream and into the sacks held by the two young men. And McVetty was well prepared to care for his snipe; for, under his arm, was an extra sack. His partner "allowed" that he would make the larger catch, however, for he had thought to carry along a piece of cardboard, the use of which would make it easier to hold the mouth of the sack open.

An hour passed, the sound of the drivers' voices grew faint, but still Mac and Mac continued with high hopes and faithfully held to their sacks. A spark of doubt was lighted by the passing of a second hour, but even then the boys remained at their posts, hoping against hope that a snipe would per chance jump at a last minute.

It was with vain regrets that the faithful hunters turned from the stream to explore the woods. Highly pleased with the idea of trapping a large number of snipe, the two young men had paid little or no attention to the landmarks as they entered the woods, and their exit was in doubt until a farm cock crowed a mile away to the east. That crow must have been a sweet note to the boys, for they immediately plunged into a stream of water up to their knees in an effort to reach the pride of the barnyard. A briar patch was encountered, a forest of thick trees made the situation even more frightful, but on and on they sought the rooster. A short while before daybreak, the two hunters reached civilization again. They called a farmer and bargained with him for a ride to town. Two dollars was the price of the two-mile ride, but that was cheap according to Mac and Mac.

Messrs. McVetty and McNelis are employees of the Western Electric Company, and are, at the present time, installing repeater equipment in the local telephone exchange. This is their first trip this far South, and their first and last attempt at snipe-hunting.

The meeting was in the charge of the club's president, Mr. R. L. Coburn, and was said to be the best held in several weeks.

## Pete Fowden Dresses Up Local Town Team

Pete Fowden has just purchased suits for the town basketball team. The trunks are red and the shirts are white. When they see defeat ahead, they will wave the white and with victory assured, they will wave the red trunks. Danger or no danger, win or lose, Pete is teaching his boys it pays to be insured.

Pete has his company's name in red letters on the jerseys and his name on the sweat shirt. That arrangement is very appropriate, he said.

## Union of Primitive Baptist Churches Held This Week

The Union of the Primitive Baptist Churches in the Skewarkee district will be held with the Conoho church near Oak City today, tomorrow and Sunday. This union of churches embraces those of several counties and is held each fifth Sunday and the Friday and Saturday before.

The meetings are generally largely attended.

## TRAIN HEARING IS CONTINUED TO FEBRUARY 24

A. C. L. To Arrange for Mail and Express Service

## MANY AT HEARING

While there were no definite steps taken at a hearing on the petition of the Atlantic Coast Line railroad to remove trains 56 and 57, operating between Tarboro and Plymouth, it was the opinion of those present at the meeting before the Corporation Commission last Wednesday in Raleigh that the train company will arrange mail and express service and discontinue the two trains. The hearing was continued until February 24 to allow the railroad to make arrangements for mail and express service other than by handling the two by train as it now is doing.

Representatives from practically all the towns now served by the two trains attended a meeting here last Tuesday night when delegates were selected for the Raleigh meeting. Many of those attending the Tuesday night meeting expressed themselves as being bitterly opposed to the proposed action of the railroad. However, they did not contend for passenger service, but they stated that they objected losing the mail and express facilities.

It is reported that the Superintendent of the First Division of the Atlantic Coast Line presented figures before the meeting last Wednesday, showing that it cost his company \$43,000 to operate the two trains and that the revenue amounted to only \$13,000. Poor passenger connections and nth class passenger service were not mentioned by him, it was stated.

Plymouth, Everetts, Jamesville, Robersonville, Tarboro and Williamston entered protests to the removal of the trains. Dr. J. D. Biggs and E. S. Peel were the local representatives at the Wednesday meeting. The two trains will continue to operate with the same schedule until the 24th of next month, when the railroad company will present a compromise proposal.

## KIWANS HAS GOOD MEETING

Mr. C. G. Crockett, of Standard Fertilizer Co., Is Speaker

Speaking before the Kiwanis club at its regular meeting here last Wednesday, Mr. C. G. Crockett, general manager of the Standard Fertilizer Company, expressed great faith in this section and its unsurpassed opportunities which are sure to develop into a great progressive growth immediately. "The only thing we need is a strong cooperation and a united pull by all the interests of the section," the speaker stated.

Rev. C. O. Pardo who has been sick for several weeks, was able to attend the meeting, and while he was not able to stand for a speech, he made an appropriate talk from his chair. Several important questions came before the meeting, among them was the deepening of the mouth of Roanoke river and the erection of a pulp mill in the town.

The meeting was in the charge of the club's president, Mr. R. L. Coburn, and was said to be the best held in several weeks.

## CANCER IS CAUSE OF MANY DEATHS

Now Stands Fourth As Cause of Death In United States

A bulletin from the North Carolina Society for the Control of Cancer, Durham, N. C. states, "The latest statistical information collected and published by cities, states, and the national government goes to prove that cancer stands fourth as the cause of death among the citizens of this country. "Cancer of the stomach causes 32 per cent. of the cancer death rate; cancer of the female genital organs causes 14 per cent; cancer of the breast causes 9 per cent; cancer of the skin causes 3 per cent.

"Cancer authorities agree that there are at least 300,000 cases of cancer in the United States today. North Carolina has more than 6,000 people every year ill from cancer, and every day there are in the State four deaths from this disease. "While children and young people have cancer, the disease attacks men and women beyond the age of 35 more often than prior to that time. Among all deaths between the ages of 45 and 65, one in eight is due to cancer and among all deaths in women between 45, and 65, one in five is due to cancer."

## Storm Tuesday Night Did Considerable Damage in This Immediate Section

## CAGE SEASON IS IN FULL SWING

Games Being Played Here Practically Every Night

So numerous are the basketball games played here, that it is a hard matter to keep up with all of them. Hardly a night passes without a game's being played, and real often there are two games and sometimes there are three games scheduled for the same night.

In a double header here last Wednesday night, the local school boys and girls defeated Farm Life and Hamilton. The Farm Life boys gave the locals a hard fight and lost by a margin of only two points, the final score being 11-9. The local girls showed better form the same night when they scored 27 points to Hamilton's 9. The same night, Jamesville turned Woodland back 22 to 12 in a slow but hard fought game.

Last Tuesday night, the local town team and the Greenville National Guards battled to a 14 tie. The visitors refused to play an extra period. Last night the town boys lost to the Rocky Mount Y. M. C. A. team, 21 to 19. A decided improvement over their playing last Tuesday night was noticed in the last night's game, but yet the young men are not quite up to last year's form.

Tonight the local school boys and girls journey to Belhaven where they meet the two teams of the school there.

Jamesville girls and boys meet the boys and girls from Columbia here tonight at 8 o'clock in the Brick warehouse.

Farm Life and Robersonville are scheduled to play tonight here.

Everetts sends its team to Ayden to meet the boys of the school there.

Next Tuesday night Everetts and Jamesville meet here for the first time this season.

## Baptists Announce Services for Sunday

Mrs. Lettie Biggs will be at the organ for both services. Mrs. Harper Holliday will be in the choir at both morning and evening worship hours.

Sunday morning the pastor will have for his subject, "Stamped with God's Image."

At the evening hour the theme will be, "Standing Room Only," taken from the instance where the crowds thronged Jesus until there was room for no more.

Last Sunday we were pleased to have in the congregation many from the Methodist church.

Sirs, the Christian church has no services Sunday, we shall be happy to have any of them come with us.

We note with pleasure that Rev. C. O. Pardo is well enough to be out again. This church stands ready to do anything for him and his people while he is convalescing.

## Christian Church Program for Week

Sunday school, 9:45 a. m. There will be an installation of the teachers who were elected for the various classes following the teaching of the lessons.

Prayer meeting Wednesday night. Topic, "Worship during the Tabernacle Period." These uniform prayer meeting topics are proving to be of interest, judging from the attendance.

People without a church home will find a real welcome awaiting them. All are cordially invited to attend our service.

J. H. HALE, Pastor.

## Good Program At County Theaters

Theatre programs in the county for next week will attract many, no doubt, for splendid programs appear for both the Strand theatre here and the Trio theatre, Robersonville. "The Third Degree" scheduled for the Trio theatre, Monday and Tuesday nights is highly recommended by both press and those who have seen it. Wallace Berry in "Casey at the Bat" Monday night and Norma Talmadge in "Camille" Tuesday night will be seen by large audiences at the local theatre.

## Silver Tea at Woman's Club Next Tuesday

A silver tea has been announced for next Tuesday afternoon by the Woman's club to be held in its rooms from 4 to 5. The proceeds are to be used in the purchase of records for the new automatic Victrola recently purchased by the club. The public is invited to attend the tea.

## HOUSE BLOWN DOWN HERE

Many Trees and Small Buildings Are Blown Down

## GIRL SLIGHTLY HURT

Storm Covered Wide Territory in Eastern North Carolina; Much Property Destroyed

A storm of great intensity struck this section Tuesday night at ten o'clock. Property from the State of Tennessee through North Carolina and into Virginia was destroyed by the heavy wind, rain and lightning. Very few deaths caused by the storm have been reported, but many were said to have been injured in the State of Tennessee.

A large two-story house on West Main street here, occupied by colored people, was blown down. All the occupants ran out before the house fell except a 13-year-old girl who was left sleeping by other members of the family. She was caught by the upper floor of the building which, crushed the bed upon which she was sleeping. So excited were the members of the family that they failed to return and look for the girl and no one knew where she was until a faint cry was heard. Several axes were brought into use to release her from the broken timbers. She was not seriously hurt.

A number of chimneys were blown from the tops of the houses here and throughout the county. Numbers of trees were blown down and many sheds were scattered in the wind. A goodly number of chickens were lost in New Town when three coops were blown down in one neighborhood there.

On the Hamilton road, several houses were blown down, but no one was dangerously hurt. Near Everetts, several buildings were reported damaged. In the section extending from Parson to Gold Point, several pack-houses and a number of tobacco barns were destroyed. The storm was heavy in Edgecombe, Bertie and Beaufort counties where much property was completely destroyed. The storm covered all of Eastern Carolina and portions of Virginia after leaving Tennessee.

## SCHOOL NEWS OF ROBERSONVILLE

104 Students On Honor Roll Past Month; P. T. A. Hears Mrs. Martin

One hundred and four names appear on the honor roll of the Robersonville schools for the month ending January 20.

Of especial interest to those in attendance upon the call meeting of the parent-teacher association was the address delivered by Mrs. Martin, of North Carolina College for Women, Greensboro, N. C. Mrs. Martin is a woman of outstanding ability, having received training as a teacher and president of P. T. A. previous to her employ by the State P. T. A.

The Robersonville school faculty was present for the County Teachers' meeting held in Williamston on Saturday, January 21. Mrs. Adkins was excused from attendance because of illness.

## Service At The Episcopal Church Sunday Morning

Services will be held at the Episcopal church here Sunday morning at 11:00 o'clock, it was announced yesterday by the Rector, Rev. O. Bardo. There will be no evening service.

On account of an illness, the rector has been unable to hold services during the past few weeks. The public is invited to attend the service at the morning hour.

## To Hold Special Service at Jamesville Church Sunday

The pastor, R. G. L. Edwards, of the Jamesville Methodist church, is announcing a special service to be held here next Sunday night at 7:30. The service will be conducted by members of the Modern Woodmen Camp there, assisted by fellow members from other camps in the county.

An appropriate program, including special music and a sermon for the Woodmen, has been arranged. The public is cordially invited to attend. Members of the camp there with visiting members are asked to assemble at the camp just prior to the time for the service at the church.