

TEACHERS AND PARENTS MEET HELD THURSDAY

Dr. Warren Warns Against Epidemic of Measles Here

ELECT NEW OFFICERS

Mrs. Liverman Re-elected President; Mrs. G. N. Gurganus, Vice President

In a short address before the parent-teacher association yesterday afternoon, Dr. Wm. E. Warren warned against an epidemic of measles here, stating that the disease should be carefully guarded in its first stages to keep it from spreading. "Malnutrition of Children" was the topic of a paper read by Dr. Warren, in which he showed how many diseases could be avoided by properly feeding the child.

Next Friday the children will have a half-day holiday when an Arbor Day program will be given, each grade taking part.

The meeting yesterday brought to a close the 1927-'28 term of office for the association heads, and new officers were elected. For the new term, Mrs. W. C. Liverman was unanimously re-elected, she accepting upon the condition that the nominating committee name another for president to relieve her at the end of the present school term. Mrs. G. N. Gurganus was elected the association's new vice president, Mrs. Milton Mays is the new secretary and Mrs. R. J. Peele was made treasurer. Mrs. R. A. Pope will have charge of the programs.

Yesterday, the association planned to make and distribute sandwiches to the school children. This task will be under the direction of Mrs. J. F. Thigpen, Mrs. G. N. Gurganus and Mrs. C. B. Clark.

RECORDER HAS BUT FEW CASES

Tuesday's Session Provides Little Of Interest To Spectators

The last Tuesday session of the recorder's court held here went by uneventfully, there being but a few minor cases before Judge Bailey.

J. O. Willis pleaded guilty to an assault with a deadly weapon charge, and the case was continued one week when the court disagreed with the defendant's plea.

Lee Furrington pleaded guilty to an assault upon a female and was sentenced to the county jail for six months with leave to be hired out to Edgecombe county road authorities. The sentence was suspended, however, upon the payment of the cost of the action and the good behavior of the defendant during that time.

Toney Manson pleaded guilty in his case, and prayer for judgment was continued one week.

John Williams, charged with larceny and receiving, failed to appear, and capias was issued.

The case of William Sykes, assault with a deadly weapon, was continued for one week.

W. H. C. Sykes, charged with non-support, pleaded not guilty to the charge. The court heard his case and continued it for one week.

Charged with passing worthless checks, judgment against H. H. Holloman was suspended upon his paying the cost of the action, after he pleaded guilty to the charge.

Ladies Aid Society To Serve Supper Tonight

The Ladies Aid society of the Methodist church will serve a supper at the Womens club this evening at 6 o'clock. The public is cordially invited.

STRAND THEATRE

SATURDAY 'CASEY JONES'

The Greatest Railroad Picture Ever Filmed

THREE SHOWS 3:30 7:00 9:00

Also Two - Reel Comedy And Serial NO ADVANCE IN PRICES Theatre Well Heated

POUR 10 GALLONS LIQUOR IN SEWER

Thirsty Crowd Looks On As Dry Officer Empties Keg in Gutter

Without any ceremony whatever, Prohibition Officer C. F. Alexander sent John Barleycorn to a gutter-grave here yesterday afternoon when he poured ten gallons of captured liquor out on the Main street.

A group of people, some thirsty perhaps, silently wept as the last drop left the keg and ran to the street sewer a few feet away.

Turner Bonds, colored helper in the Dunn Plumbing shop, was greedy however, for he expressed a desire for some of the runnings for his wife. Others would have been content with a drink for their own use.

OAK CITY SCHOOL AND TOWN NEWS

Test Given All High-School Pupils Friday; Flag-Raising March 18

Oak City, Mar. 8.—(Special to the Enterprise).—The picture show, under the auspices of the parent-teacher association gave "The Mansion of Aching Hearts" Wednesday night in the school auditorium.

The Terman Group Test of mental ability was given to all high school pupils, Friday morning in the school auditorium.

The first preliminary hearing in the Oratorical Contest will be Friday afternoon, March 16, in the school auditorium.

With the Junior Order of the American Mechanics in a body from Robersonville and other sister lodges, the regular form of flag raising will be held Sunday afternoon, March 18, at 2:30 o'clock.

Miss Doris Rawls, who is working in Greenville, spent the week end with her mother.

Services were conducted both morning and evening at the Baptist church by the Rev. Mr. Leggett, of Windsor.

Mrs. Wilbur Worsley has as her guest her brother, Mr. Wilbur Barrette.

Mrs. A. F. Walker, mother of Miss Burton Walker, matron at the teaching, is seriously ill.

Mr. J. E. Whitfield's family is better of diphtheria and will soon be ready for school again.

The four Tyson girls, Misses Ward, Vivian, Lurlyn and Hazel from the Belvoir High School, were given a cordial reception in the local school.

Mrs. G. W. Young Dies In Raleigh

Friends here will regret to learn of the death of Mrs. George W. Young at the home of her sister, Mrs. Morrison Bethea, in Raleigh, last Tuesday night. Mrs. Young who was an invalid, had made her home with Mrs. Bethea since the death of her husband about a year ago. The funeral and interment were at Clinton, S. C., the home of the deceased, yesterday.

Mrs. Young visited here during the residence of Rev. and Mrs. Bethea, and made many friends. She possessed a charming personality and Williamston people remember her pleasantly.

Rocky Mount Man Fined For Speeding

Charged with reckless driving and speeding, Fitz Rawls, young man of Rocky Mount, was fined \$10 and costs in Mayor's court here last Tuesday afternoon. At the trial, Rawls maintained that he was not in the car when it was said the reckless driving and speeding took place, but the evidence heard sustained the State's charge.

Mayor Coburn stated that the fine was a small one, but since it was the first offense he would not demand the defendant to pay more.

The trial comes as a warning to careless auto drivers here, the mayor pointed out yesterday while talking about the case.

Deputies Capture Two Stills On Wednesday

Deputies S. H. Grimes and J. H. Roebuck captured two stills a mile east of Bear Grass Wednesday morning.

The first, an 80-gallon complete copper outfit was warm when the officers arrived and from appearances the operators had just completed their run and moved the liquor away. The still was provided with the two-worm doubler system. There were about 1200 gallons of beer found at this place.

Around 150 yards away, the officers found another small still hidden in the thick bushes, and nearby they found two new empty kegs.

Mrs. J. L. Robertson left yesterday for Dunn where she will visit for several days.

WOMAN'S CLUB IS BACKING BETTER ENGLISH WEEK

Week From March 12 to 17 To Be Observed By Local School

CONTEST ARRANGED

Child Who Makes Most Corrections And Fewest Mistakes To Be Awarded Prize

After much road building with a corresponding development in manufacturing and farming projects, it has been wisely put by some one that North Carolina should turn her attention in the direction of culture. Her advancement in material wealth has been marked, and we would not have it otherwise; but, we are pleading for more attention to be given to cultural values. The State President of the North Carolina Federation of Women's clubs, Mrs. T. O'Berry, is making every effort to influence the units of her organization to make this a year of acquiring knowledge and passing it on. She is making Education the keynote of her administration.

Through the columns of the Enterprise, the local club has already expressed an active interest for an increase in educational opportunities and advantages for the people of the community. A library for Martin county located in the county seat is not beyond the materialization of our hopes. We earnestly want to see such an institution in Martin county. Other counties have them, and we can see no reasonable cause for our not having as much as others in like circumstances.

Under the general topic of Education, we believe a campaign for the promotion of Good English in every walk of life can be launched here in Williamston with great benefit coming from it. We are designating the week from March 12 to 17 as Better English Week, and it is hoped that everybody will join hands in trying to make this effort for better language a success. "The manner in which one speaks his mother tongue is looked upon as showing more clearly than any other one thing what his culture is and what his associates have been." Isn't this a challenge to every interested citizen to champion the cause of good English in order that it might be correctly spoken by both old and young?

In the form of a contest, a program for the school children has been planned. In the spirit of corrective and helpful criticism children and adults will be reminded of their defective speech. In the school the child who makes the most corrections and fewest mistakes during this week will be given a prize. It is hoped that the adults will profit by the work of these young grammarians.

This is not a campaign peculiar to Williamston. All the towns in the State have either had such a campaign or are planning one. It is well worth our time; so let's not fail to put sufficient enthusiasm into it as will be necessary for its success. The chairman of the Better-English-Week committee of the Federated Women's clubs of North Carolina has suggested that this week may be observed beneficially in the home. Her plan would be for a certain time to be set aside for oral reading and a discussion of family habits of speech. In every case put forth every effort to curb the use of slang, violent expressions and sharp remarks in the home, the school, and in the community.

Allow me as President of the Williamston Women's club to urge every citizen as well as member to see that all our children are taught to use good language and that the children with unfavorable home surroundings become special objects of our attention.

LOUIE P. MARTIN.

Kiwanis To Entertain Two Basketball Teams

Members of the Everetts and Jamesville basketball teams and their coaches will be the guests of the Williamston Kiwanis club next Wednesday.

Both of these teams have won state-wide mention during the past two seasons, Jamesville winning the pennant at the East Carolina Peanut exposition held in Windsor in 1926, and Everetts winning state championship this year at Chapel Hill.

Regular Meeting Of Everetts Woodmen

The regular meeting of Everetts camp, M. W. A. will be held Monday night, March 12. All members of Modern Woodmen are cordially invited to attend and the members of the above camp are urged to be present. Some real work is to be done at this meeting and it is necessary that the full membership be present, if possible.

SUNDAY SCHOOL MEET SUNDAY

Hamilton and Poplar Point Townships Convention At Hamilton

A meeting of the Hamilton-Poplar Point Townships Sunday schools will be held Sunday afternoon, March 11, at 3:30 in the Missionary Baptist church in Hamilton. All Sunday school officers and teachers are urged to attend and the members of Sunday schools of all denominations are invited to be present as it is an inter-denominational meeting.

A splendid program, including the following topics, has been prepared: How To Teach a Sunday School Lesson and the Teacher's Work Between the Sundays—R. J. Peel, The Worker's Council and Its Work—Rev. J. H. Hale, How To Have a Bigger and Better Sunday School—Mr. J. S. Ayers, General Discussion—Representatives of each Sunday school. The program will last not more than an hour and twenty minutes.

SECURITY BOYS BEST RALEIGH Y

Carolina-Virginia Champs Defeated Here Last Night, 34-30

The Raleigh Y basketball champions in North and South Carolina and Virginia met with defeat here last night 34 to 30 at the hands of Pete Fowden's Security Life boys. It was one of the best games of the season played on the local court.

The locals were off to a good start in the first period, ending the half 18 to 9. Raleigh came back strong in the second half, and in the last quarter the visitors tied the score 29 all. Williamston took its turn then and registered four points from the field and one from the free-throw line. The Y boys were held scoreless from the field during the remainder of the game.

Spence for the visitors led the scoring attack by caging 17 of his team's 34 points. Gaylord and Fotta, for the locals, were high scorers.

While the game was featured by the swift passing of the Raleigh team, the locals' victory was attributable in a large way to the excellent guarding of Margolis and Warrington.

Black and Red Minstrel Revue Tuesday Night

Meeting with success in their home town and many others in Eastern North Carolina, forty-eight young men of Rocky Mount are preparing to stage their Black and Red Minstrel Revue here next Tuesday at the Strand theatre. The show, according to reports from several of the towns where it has shown, compares favorably with the big ones handled by professionals. However, it might be said that the Black and Red carries several professionals and others equally as good as professionals.

In reporting the first performance of the revue, the Rocky Mount Evening Telegram says: "Playing before a large audience in the auditorium here the Black and Red Revue opened with a variety of burlesque, songs and vaudeville acts that proved to be the most entertaining in many moons. The cast which included many stars from 'Meyers Merry Minstrels' and other notable deans of minstrelsy proved to be everything that was claimed for it."

The second part was made up almost entirely of individual acts opened with Nelson Edwards and Company in a series of breath-taking acrobatic stunts featuring Nelson and Edwards. Kirt Aurich, direct from Germany proved himself to be a finished gymnast while Thaxton Rowland as the "Rube" and accomplice came in for many laughs."

Christian Church Services Sunday

9:45, Sunday school
11:00, Morning worship. Subject—"The Ministration of the Church." At the conclusion of the service, the elders and deacons will be installed for the coming year. Every officer who has been elected to these offices is especially urged to be present.
7:30, Preaching service. Subject—"A Forward Look."

School To Observe Better English Week

Next week will be known as "Better English Week" with the local school. The Woman's club is planning to give each pupil a tag, which will be worn by that pupil during the entire week, unless some other pupil takes him or her up for using improper English. In that case the user of bad English loses his tag to the one correcting him. The pupil wearing the most tags at the end of the week will be awarded a prize by the club.

FEDERAL AGENTS GET FIVE MEN AT STILL TUESDAY

Destroy Three Stills and Pour Out Large Quantity Of Beer Mash

FOUR RAISE BONDS

Joe Parker, Colored, of Washington, Only One of Quintet Captured Who Is Still in Jail

Tuesday, Prohibition Agent P. L. Flinchum with assistants visited the Cratt neighborhood, this county. They first found a still with no attendant except Billy Cratt's friendly little dog which acted so friendly that the officers decided the little animal's only connection with the distillery was to meet and entertain early arriving guests.

After the officers had looked around for a while the little dog ran home to get breakfast, and, in some way, inform his master that early visitors had arrived and were waiting. At any rate, Mr. Cratt and little doggie came wandering to the still but when they reached the spot, the officers raised up. Mr. Cratt ran, but was caught. The still was not more than 400 yards from Mr. Cratt's house and even though a very plain and much used path led to his house, Mr. Cratt did not know anything about it.

Mr. Cratt, the still and 1600 gallons of beer were captured. The beer was poured out, the still and Mr. Cratt were brought here where Mr. Cratt was required to give bond in the sum of \$500 for his appearance at the spring term of federal court in Washington, April 16.

Only a hundred yards away from this still, two other officers were guarding another still where a white man and a negro, Joe Parker, were operating. When the officers walked up, Joe, taking them for customers, smiled and let them reach him, but the white man applied the rule of safety first and fled. One of the officers chased him, but the moonshiner succeeded in getting to his car and made a get away.

Joe said he did not know the white man, that he had never seen a still before, that a strange white man and a boy invited him down to see something. Joe was brought here together with the still, other equipment and around twenty-five gallons of liquor had been poured out together with a quantity of beer.

Owing to the singular circumstances that Joe had never seen a still before and had been invited down by strangers simply for an observation, and because of the fact that Joe is a resident of the City of Washington, and in order that he may reach his home in safety he was placed in the Martin County jail and will be escorted to the city of his nativity on the 16th of April to relate his strange experience to Judge Ike Meekins unless he furnishes a \$1,000 bond to guarantee his voluntary visit to the court.

Wednesday, C. F. Alexander, federal agent with a few assistants, went to the "Islands" where they struck a warm trail and soon found a batch of beer, several empty barrels, a big still ready to be placed on the grates and a third of a barrel of liquor. No one was present but the work looked so fresh the officers were sure some body would soon appear and concluded to remain and watch developments. In less than five minutes, Tobie Barber, Harvey Perry and Henry Stevenson were seen coming, one with a bag of corn meal, one with a bag of rye meal and the other one with a bag of sugar. The officers caught two of them, Tobie succeeded in escaping at that time. He was picked up later at his home by the officers. They were brought to Williamston and succeeded in raising a \$500 bond each to appear at Washington, the 16th of April.

Local Agency Delivers Second of New Fords

The Williamston Motor Company delivered its second Ford, a Tudor sedan yesterday to Bryant Peel, of Everetts. It is said that Mr. Peel called for the car early last night and drove it home where he spent the night in it.

Messrs. N. C. Green and Julian Harrell brought the car from Norfolk yesterday. The local dealers are expecting to receive another car the middle or the latter part of next week.

Several Cases Measles Are Reported Here

While many sections of the county have had numbers of cases of measles during the past few weeks, the first cases of the disease were reported here this week. The exact number of cases is not known, but it is understood that there are cases in several parts of the town. Many children have been sent from school, but at the present time, the situation is not considered to be serious.

MRS. TUCKER TO BE BURIED HERE

Died At Home of Mrs. E. M. Gordy, in Selma, Last Night

Mrs. Lizzie Tucker died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. E. M. Gordy, in Selma, last night at the age of 77 years. Two weeks ago Mrs. Tucker suffered a stroke of paralysis and gradually grew worse until the end came last night.

Mrs. Tucker was born and reared in Williamston, the daughter of Wm. Johnson and Mary E. Watts Johnson. She married John Tucker, who died several years ago.

She leaves one sister, Mrs. Carrie Jones, of Durham, two sons, Jesse Tucker, of Hertford and John Tucker, of Elizabeth City and three daughters, Mrs. E. M. Gordy, of Selma, Mrs. Arthur Brock, of Smithfield and Mrs. Archie Turner, of Norfolk.

For the past fifteen years Mrs. Tucker has been away from Williamston, making her home with her children.

The funeral will be held from the local Methodist church tomorrow afternoon at two o'clock.

SCHOOL NEWS OF ROBERSONVILLE

Senior Class To Take One-Day Trip To Norfolk Next Month

For some time, members of the senior class have been wondering where they would go for the annual senior trip. Their desire to know was satisfied a few days ago when Supt. Leake made the announcement that, if desirable, he would plan a bus trip to Norfolk. This suggestion met with unanimous approval, and since he has been negotiating with various bus lines to see which would offer the most reasonable bid. Plans are now to leave by bus for Norfolk for a one-day trip the last of March or the first of April.

During a recent society program rendered by the Robersonian Literary society, the following original pieces were given. The first is a poem on "Friendship" by Frances Faulkner, and the second, Edna Barnhill's "Acrostic on Friendship," that won the decision of the judges in the acrostic contest. At this meeting talks on Friendship as well as illustrative material from literature and the Bible were indicative of the appreciation the students had of the real meaning of friendship.

It is true that it is rather early to begin insisting that you attend the next parent-teacher meeting. We have a very good reason, though—we know that you will enjoy the varied program that is being prepared by the elementary school. Each grade, beginning with the first and concluding with the seventh is preparing one or more attractions for the meeting.

Be sure to attend the preliminary try-out for the best oration relating to the Constitution. This will be held in the school auditorium on Friday evening, March 16. The speakers will be Paul Roberson, John Robert Jenkins and Vernon Ward.

JOSEPH GURKIN DIES THURSDAY

Was One of County's Oldest Citizens; Funeral Held This Afternoon

Joseph Gurkin, one of the county's oldest citizens, died at the County Home last night and was buried in the Nicholson graveyard, four miles from here this afternoon.

Mr. Gurkin, around 83 years old, was born on the Roanoke river where he shed and hunted for a living until a grown man. He was married twice, first to Miss Adaline Quinn. To this union there were born two daughters, Jane and Josephine who died many years ago, and one son, Charles Gurkin who was last heard from in Oakland, Cal. After the death of his first wife, Mr. Gurkin married Miss Harriet Quinn, who died a few months later.

Mr. Gurkin then left the farm and returned to the hunting grounds of the old Roanoke where, for fifty years he lived by the aid of his gun and fishing nets. He was as alert as the Indian, and had the eye of an eagle even until a few years ago when his health failed.

Upright in his dealings with his fellow man, it is said of him that he never complained. If the weather was fair or stormy, or if he was in want or had plenty, he never murmured. His close associates say they never knew of a single instance of falsehood or dishonesty in his whole life. He was just humble and friendly to all creatures.

M. P. Williams, of Tarboro was here this afternoon.

EVERETTS WINS NON-ACCREDITED SCHOOLS' TITLE

Defeated Tyro in Chapel Hill Tuesday Night, 18 to 7

DICK CHERRY STARS

Brings First State Championship Title To County; Cherry Alone Scored Enough To Defeat Westerners

A win, 18 to 7, over Tyro in Chapel Hill last Tuesday night gave Everetts and Martin county their first state-wide basketball championship title. For several seasons the Everetts boys have been runnersup in tournaments and championship series, but Tuesday they continued in their true form and turned the western lads back by a good margin.

Before going to the finals in Chapel Hill Tuesday, the boys had cleared the eastern field by large scores in the championship group games, and while a closer score was expected in the final match, the victory did not come as a surprise to fans and supporters back home.

Tyro, the little town near Lexington, made every effort possible to battle successfully with Everetts' eastern champions, and four times during the game the western lads called time out in an effort to check their opponents' advances. It was all useless, for Cherry alone topped their score when he made ten of his' teams' eighteen points.

SMALL FIRE WEDNESDAY

Is Third Call for Fireman in As Many Days; Little Damage Done

Wednesday, about noon, the local fire company answered its third call in as many days when it went to put out a fence fire at the upper end of Main street.

Carelessness, as was the case in the other two fires, was given as the cause of the Wednesday fire. Chief Henry Harrison continues his plea to the citizens of the town to be more careful in their efforts to prevent fires, but judging from the record this week, the fire chief's plea has been in vain.

Pre-Easter Service At Baptist Church

"Who, then, can be saved?" will be the text used Sunday morning, and is found in Matt. 19:25. At the evening hour the subject will be, "What it means to be saved."

Responding to the quickening religious impulses which come at the pre-Easter season this church is increasing its activities in these days. The pastor is preaching on evangelistic topics, and the people are attending in unusually good numbers.

Beginning on the first Sunday in April this church will have a Bible School which will run for a full week, ending on Easter Sunday morning.

The pastor will open the doors of the church on Easter morning and the church is expecting to hold a baptism service sometime during the day. Those contemplating uniting with this church will please bear this in mind.

The women of the church have been engaged all week in a study course at the church. The children are attending the church services in greater numbers than usual. The music has been unusually good in the past weeks, and the choir is already planning its Easter music.

We invite the public to worship with us, especially in these important days.

This church extends its feeling sympathies to Mrs. C. O. Pardog and little Jimmie, and to the Episcopal church, now without a Shepherd. And if there be anything whatsoever that this church or its pastor can do towards furthering the interests of that church, it will be glad to do so.

Gives Demonstration Of Oils Here Last Night

Showing the action of certain motor oils under a high temperature and at zero, Mr. E. H. Willenbacher, of the Texaco Company, advanced many interesting and valuable facts about various oils in a striking demonstration here last night at the Central Service station.

Mr. Willenbacher took the various grades of Texaco oils and showed what they would do in zero weather. At eight degrees above zero, Texaco super heavy ran freely. Then at a high temperature, he showed what the same oil would do by placing drops of it on a hot plate. The amount of carbon left on the plate was negligible, and this according to the representative is a vital factor in motor lubrication.