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OVER 300,000 POUNDS TOBACCO HERE TODAY

Prices This Week Decidedly Better; Market Averages 16c

MAY LOCATE ICE CREAM STORAGE PLANT IN TOWN

Southern Dairies Said to Look With Favor On Williamston

ARE INVESTIGATING

Should Storage Plant Be Located Here, Milk Receiving Station Expected to Follow

That the Southern Dairies, large ice cream manufacturers, will locate a storage plant in Williamston, was practically made certain here a few days ago when officials of the company were here making a preliminary investigation.

Mr. R. D. Faison, of Washington, D. C., who has charge of the North and South Carolina territory, spent several hours here recently, studying the territory and talking over the possible location of the plant with local citizens.

While it was not definitely stated by the company's representative, it is generally thought that should the plant be located here, a receiving station would be put in operation within a short time afterward.

In the event the plant is located here, the company will operate trucks from this center, making deliveries of ice cream and Kraft cheese to adjoining sections.

COUNTY HAS 60 IN COLLEGE

Many Young People Leave This Week for Various Institutions

Martin county will be well represented in the colleges and universities of this and other states this year when approximately sixty of its young boys and girls leave for the fall terms.

The young people leaving for the schools will take their course of instruction in one of twelve or more institutions, in this State and in Virginia mainly.

Comparatively speaking, Jamesville and community will send the largest number to the colleges from this county. Six or seven young boys are entering State College, Raleigh, as freshmen and several girls are attending the various schools for women.

TALK TUESDAY NIGHT BY JOSEPHUS DANIELS WELL RECEIVED HERE

URGES SUPPORT PARTY TICKET

Praises Fundamental Principles of Democratic Party

FOLLOWER OF VANCE

Former Secretary of Navy Is Introduced To Audience by Hon. Harry W. Stubbs

Opening the Democratic campaign in this county here last Tuesday night the Hon. Josephus Daniels, of Raleigh upheld the principles of the Democratic Party and pointed out to the several hundred citizens present that it was preferable to adhere to those principles rather than center attention on those issues that within themselves could not exist.

The meeting was opened by E. S. Peel, county chairman, who called upon Mr. Harry W. Stubbs to make the introductory address. In a very few, but well-chosen, words, the former Senator referred to those assembled as a jury, a jury that will help decide one of the nation's major political battles, the election of a president.

"In time of stress, the wise will seek the wisest," Mr. Daniels stated in his opening remarks, "and to better guide ourselves through the troublous times of 1928, we may well turn back to 1892 when the party faced similar conditions and when Zeb Vance led the way," he continued. Vance opposed the nomination of Cleveland in that year on account of Cleveland's views on the silver question, but in other cases the two men were one in their views.

Mr. Daniels was conservative in his attack on the Republican Party, according to many of his hearers, but surely it would have required him most of the night to make a complete review, so he pointed out the corruption developing at Muscle Shoals and in the Teapot Dome scandal.

There is prosperity in this county, but it is only for the big interests, the speaker said. "And if you want some more of Coolidge's prosperity, just vote for Hoover next November," Mr. Daniels stated. Tobacco prices are low, cotton drops, and farmers everywhere are facing serfdom under this rule of prosperity, it was pointed out. No party can bring prosperity, but it can bring about an equal chance for all, and farmers everywhere are asking that they be given a chance equal that of the big allied interests.

"And it is certain that Al Smith is elected he will not put a man in charge of prohibition enforcement who has made millions out of distillery operations," Mr. Daniels stated, while discussing the prohibition question. He further stated that there is no cause to

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SPECTACULAR BLAZE HERE THIS MORNING

J. F. Thigpen Stables Are Completely Destroyed By Fire

IN HEART OF TOWN

Several Other Buildings Threatened, But Quick Action by Firemen Prevents Further Loss

The J. F. Thigpen stables located in the town's backlots near the railroad were destroyed by fire and several other near-by buildings were damaged here this morning shortly after three o'clock.

When the fire alarm sounded and the people looked from their windows they thought the heart of the town was aflame. The citizens turned but by the hundreds and every member of the fire company was at his post within five minutes and in less than seven minutes after the boys rolled out of their beds, two streams of water were falling on the fire.

The stables were practically burned down before the alarm was turned in, but the company held the flames to the one building and prevented the loss of adjoining buildings. The S. R. Biggs stables and storage house, the tobacco storage house belonging to Harrison Bros. were burning but the firemen doused the flames before any great damage occurred.

Four mules were placed in the stables the night before, but they were either turned out or they broke out and escaped the flames. Two wagons, a Ford truck and a small quantity of feed were burned. No insurance was carried on the building and the only thing insured was the truck, and that was for only \$150.

The cause of the fire is a mystery, many thinking that it was fired by night prowlers. The stables were about fifty years old and while they were large, their value did not exceed \$1,000 according to Harrison Brothers, owners.

Damage to adjoining building is estimated at \$200.

WM. R. REVELS DIES LAST NIGHT

Death Followed Stroke of Paralysis Several Days Ago; 70 Years Old

Mr. William Riley Revels died at his home in Griffins township early last night following a stroke of paralysis suffered several days ago. He was about 76 years of age.

The funeral services are being held at the home this afternoon and burial will follow in the family plot on the home farm where his ancestors of several generations sleep.

In early manhood he married Miss Susan Griffin and they reared eight children, all of whom survive. Two sons, Staton and John A., both live in the community of their birth. Five daughters, Mrs. Lida Ward, Mrs. Della Revels, Mrs. Gertie Corey, Mrs. Martha Rogerson and Mrs. Mamie Harrington live in this county and Mrs. Lizzie Seallings lives in Enfield.

Program of Services At Baptist Church

The pastor will be back in his pulpit at the Sunday morning service, after a two weeks' absence.

At the 11 o'clock hour, the Lord's Supper will be observed, and at the evening hour, the pastor of this church will preach at the Methodist church in what is scheduled to be the last of the summer union evening services. Mrs. Harper Holliday has been asked to sing at the Communion service. Upon his return home, the pastor would be pleased to be greeted by a large congregation of people.

SUPERIOR COURT CONVENES HERE NEXT MONDAY

Seventy Cases Are On the Docket for First Week Of Term

16 CRIMINAL CASES

Judge Clayton Moore To Preside for First Week; Judge N. A. Townsend Week Following

Seventy cases, 54 civil and 16 criminal, are on the superior court docket awaiting trial here next week and the week following. The criminal cases are scheduled for hearing the first day of the court, and 29 of the 54 civil cases are booked for the remainder of that week. Judge Clayton Moore, of this place, will preside over the court the first week while Judge N. A. Townsend, of Dunn, will hear the 25 cases scheduled for hearing the second week.

The criminal docket carries no cases of note, and is said to be the smallest coming before a superior court judge in this county in some time. One-fourth of the docket has to do with seduction cases, while the other charges vary greatly in their nature. Vernon Allbrooks, young white boy charged with housebreaking, will be given a hearing Monday. Allbrooks entered the home of Mr. H. D. Harrison here July 16 and stole money and clothes. Other cases on the criminal docket include the following:

Amos Spruill, operating car while he was intoxicated; John Howard Taylor, seduction; Kader Barnhill, seduction; Jim Henry Nelson, and Shep Wetherington, larceny and receiving; Herbert Culler, passing worthless check; J. S. Williams, assault with a deadly weapon; C. C. Sheppard, violating the liquor laws; John Brown, larceny and receiving; Joe Henry Wiggins, seduction; Graham Mangum, drunk and disorderly; William Whitfield, larceny and receiving; John R. Hopkins, seduction; Elijah Jones, larceny and receiving; Fletcher Bullock and Lizziana, aiding and abetting in prostitution. One or two of the cases go to the court next week on appeal from the recorder's court, but the majority are being brought before the superior court judge under warrants.

Aside from one or two suits, the civil calendar is a matter of quantity rather than quality. One suit involving \$50,000 is the largest on the docket, it is understood.

OFFICERS GET 160 GALLONS LIQUOR

Results of Raids Near Burroughs Place On Old Everetts Road

Approximately 160 gallons of liquor and 1,500 gallons of beer were destroyed by Federal and county officers last Friday when they raided in the section near the Burroughs place on the old Everetts road.

When the officers reached an old outhouse on the Burroughs place, several made a search of the buildings while the others went to the woods in search of the still. Failing to find liquor in the buildings, the several officers joined the others in the woods and helped destroy a nice copper outfit. Sixty gallons of liquor were found hidden near the still, which with 1,500 gallons of beer were destroyed.

While the officers were in the woods, parties at a near-by house, occupied by Charles Carraway, attempted to haul a barrel of liquor across the road. Pushed for time, the parties failed to properly load the liquor, and it rolled from the vehicle. When they were unable to reload the barrel, all hands joined in and started rolling it toward Wildcat Swamp. It is claimed that no circus man, however skilled he might be, could have walked the barrel, for the parties were losing no time in pushing it down the road. They did not push it so fast that the eye could not see them, however, and parties passing that way informed the officers. H. O. Daniel, deputy, called Sheriff Roebuck, and the two men went in search of the contraband. They found it hid near the bridge.

After destroying the barrel hidden near the bridge, the officers returned up the road and found where a second barrel had been rolled down the hill. They traced it and found the liquor hidden in the swamp near the Carraway tobacco barn. The barrel was torn open and the liquor went trickling down the branch.

PREPARATIONS FOR BIG FAIR GO FORWARD

Manager John L. Rogerson Says Preparations Almost Completed

TRY TO GET SPEAKER

Nationally Known Democratic Speaker May Be Heard; To Install Amplifiers

"Everything is in readiness for this section's greatest fair," Mr. John L. Rogerson, manager, stated yesterday when asked about the fair to be held here week after next. Practically all the booths have been leased for the week, and there will be many new and attractive displays in the main building, the manager stated.

Plans are now underway to bring a nationally known speaker to the fair, and local party leaders were assured that a leading man would be sent here to address the fair patrons one day during the week. The fair's manager, Mr. John L. Rogerson, is arranging to have amplifiers installed for use at the fair, making it possible to broadcast the speaker's voice and band concerts to all parts of the grandstand area.

A newspaper report from the Hanover (Pa.) Evening Sun assures fair patrons that W. T. Stone will bring one of the largest shows to the fair this year ever to place tents on the local grounds. The report, appearing in the Hanover Sun of August 31, follows:

"One of the chief contributory causes to a successful fair is a good clean midway. Midway manager William House who visited at the Lebanon fair this week to see the W. T. Stone shows which make up the midway there and which will be at the Hanover fair in September reports that he was more than delighted by the fine impression made by these shows. Mr. House is an old showman and knows a good show when he sees it. He says the W. T. Stone shows are made up of high class attractions in every respect. He says twelve splendid shows, seven up-to-date rides, two concert bands and forty concessions are included in the W. T. Stone combination.

The shows include a "Society Circus," Georgia Minstrels, Hawaiian Show, Monkey Circus, Freak Animal Show, water circus, Athletic show, Jungle Land, Midget Show, Marionette Show and "Fun on the Farm." Among the rides are a ferris wheel, merry-go-round, whip, mix-up, heyday, caterpillar and tilt-a-whirl, all snappy and thrill-producing contraptions."

OPEN SEASON ON SQUIRRELS

Opens Tomorrow; Animals Said To Be Plentiful This Year

With the open season for squirrel beginning tomorrow, many hunters will enter the woods to make a raid on the little fuzzy animals. Many of the huntsmen will receive a warm reception, no doubt, when the mosquitoes, the squirrel's best friends, turn out by the millions in the swamps. The season for hunting squirrel will remain open until January 15.

According to advance reports, the woods are full of squirrels this year, and the hunters are planning a royal feast. The bag limit, allowing one man to kill only 10 squirrels in one day will be in force, this year, and it is expected to effect a more even distribution.

Kiwanis To Meet Next Wednesday

The local Kiwanis Club will meet next Wednesday for the first time in several weeks, it was announced yesterday by the club's president, Mr. R. L. Coburn. Upon the suggestion of many of the members, the weekly luncheons were called off during August and a part of September. A large attendance is expected at the Wednesday meeting when it is likely that plans for future meetings will be laid.

RECORDER HAS EIGHT CASES

General Run of Offenses; One \$75.00 Fine Is Imposed

A docket of eight cases faced Judge Bailey in the county's recorder's court here last Tuesday. The cases were of the general run and had to do with scaling, liquor, assaults, adultery, and selling spoiled meats. One fine, amounting to \$75, was imposed. Sammy White, charged with larceny and receiving, admitted stealing an automobile tire, but upon the recommendation of the private prosecution and the solicitor for the State, judgment was suspended upon the defendant paying the cost.

Walter Barnes was bound over to the superior court for trial when probable cause of guilt was found in a larceny and receiving charge brought against him.

John Cherry pleaded not guilty when he was charged with driving an automobile while he was under the influence of liquor, but the court, after hearing the evidence, declared him guilty and fined him \$75. His license to drive a motor vehicle during the next six months was revoked.

Johnson Corey, charged with an assault on a female, pleaded guilty of the charge and entered a prayer for judgment which was continued until December 18, this year, when final disposition of the case will be made. A bond of \$75 was arranged.

The case charging Paul Bunch with fornication and adultery, was not pressed with leave.

Roy Beacham, charged with driving a car while he was drunk, had his case continued three weeks. Beacham ran his car into that of Mr. E. H. Taylor on the Hamilton Road, near here, last Sunday completely wrecking the Taylor car and caused several of the Taylors to suffer painful injuries.

The court accepted the plea of Lee Harris and Frank Gay when they pleaded not guilty of selling spoiled meat.

Charged with assault with a deadly weapon, Henry Moore pleaded not guilty, but upon hearing the evidence, the court adjudged him guilty and suspended the judgment upon the defendant's paying the costs of the action.

EXHIBITS URGED BY HOME AGENT

Several Home and Schools Are Visited During the Past Week

Miss Lora E. Sleeper who has visited many of the homes in the county this week says that those who have had to work in tobacco and neglect their home duties are eager to get to work again in their homes and see what can be done to make the work in their kitchens easier.

The Robersonville, Jamesville and Oak City schools have been visited during the week and the agent will go to others before the fair, if possible. At two of the schools the club girls stated they would send articles to be placed on exhibit at the fair here the week of the 24th. The articles should be sent to Miss Sleeper not later than Friday, the 21st and must be labelled with the name of the girl and club.

The women over the county are being urged to enter canned fruit, vegetables, pickles, preserves, jellies and jams in the exhibition halls. Miss Sleeper will appreciate it very much if contributions can be made to make the county display the best ever seen here, and she urges the women to enter exhibits for themselves.

Posters, posters, posters. Don't forget the food selection posters, Miss Sleeper is asking of all the women of the home demonstration clubs.

Methodist Church Program of Services

Preaching Sunday morning by the pastor. Sunday evening service 7:30. Rev. C. H. Dickey, pastor of the Baptist Church, will preach the closing union service for this year. The public is cordially invited to hear Brother Dickey on this occasion. It is hoped that all the churches will attend this service in large number.

BREAK TODAY IS LARGEST ONE SO FAR THIS SEASON

Indications Are That Sales Will Be Blocked; No Tags Turned

NOW A RAY OF HOPE

Farmers Generally Are Pleased With Prices; Some Grades As High As Last Year

The Williamston Tobacco Market, with the biggest break of the season today, brought more smiles than any other day since the market opened.

The general expressions from the farmers were: "pretty good," "much better than I expected," "after trying around 1 got my best sales here today."

All indications at two o'clock pointed to a block sale today.

No tags are being turned and farmers from every section say they are coming again next week.

The average price for the sales today could not be had at the time of our going to press, but according to reports the prices are better today than they have been at all.

While the sales on the market during the first four days of this week have not been very heavy, the prices have continued to show an increase over those of last week and the opening week. Practically all the farmers selling on the market here have been well pleased with their sales, and once where the spirit of despair rang out, there is now a ray of hope. The tobacco is low as compared with the prices of past years, but the market here continues to show strength.

According to statements made by farmers themselves, the prices for the best types of tobacco are almost as high as those paid last year, but the majority of the tobacco is of no exceptional quality, tending to hold the average down. But where there was nothing but poor or medium quality tobacco, some of the better grades are beginning to roll in and the prices that are being paid here are very encouraging.

The fact that Williamston has one of the best set of buyers in the world was verified this week when farmers themselves declared that the market was very fortunate in getting so splendid a set of buyers. They are real market builders and each day brings new customers to the local warehouses where tobacco is declared to be selling as high if not higher than it is on any market in the State.

There have been some very good averages made on the local market during the week, and while they count, it is gratifying to know that the average for the entire market during the week has been around sixteen and seventeen cents. At noon last Tuesday an average pointing in the neighborhood of nineteen cents was estimated, but several rows of inferior tobacco pulled what promised to be the best average of the season down to \$17.08 per hundred pounds.

Warehousemen and other tobaccoists are slow to give their opinion on what to expect next week in the way of prices. Some think the price might go a little higher, others think that it will be about the same, while a few think the present prices will not hold up. But what ever it does, farmers are assured that the top market-price will be paid here for their tobacco.

Town Commissioners in Meeting Last Night

Meeting for the second time this week, the board of town commissioners last night passed a resolution making legal the sale of a piece of land to the Virginia Electric and Power Company. The land in question is located near the switch of the Atlantic Coast Line to the west of the main part of town and will be used by the power company for the erection of a sub-station.

No other matters came before the board. However, the laying of a water line to the plant of the Standard Fertilizer Company was unofficially discussed.

STRAND THEATRE

SATURDAY DON COLEMAN

in "THE BLACK ACE"

Added COMEDY AND SERIAL

"The Golden Stallion"