

CITY FATHERS IN REGULAR MEET HERE LAST NIGHT

To Allow Discount of 2 Per Cent on Taxes Paid In October

REVISE PARKING LAW

To Try Out Angle Parking on Main Street; Put Tax on Trucks Selling Direct To Merchants

A lively discussion featured the meeting here last night of the board of town commissioners when problem after problem presented itself and when the members of the board gave the questions thorough and searching study. Tax collections for 1928 headed the list of questions, the commissioners finally deciding to allow a 2 per cent reduction in all taxes paid during the month of October. The collector was ordered to take the books in charge and to start the work at once.

The listing of certain corporation properties was made certain, and a survey of the listings in question was ordered. The survey affecting the spur track to the river will be made within the next few days. Mr. Sylvester Peet having been asked to make a map by the town authorities last night.

Taxes on all trucks selling direct to merchants and individuals were established, and where a man sells a car of fruit, a tax of \$50 will be imposed, thus giving the seller a right to operate for one year without additional cost. A privilege tax on bakery wagons, and others selling goods, tobacco, and other articles was placed at \$25 for the year.

Leaving the question of taxes behind, the commissioners discussed possible arrangements for housing the town's new \$12,000 fire truck. No definite decision was made in that connection, and the matter will be carried over until certain property boundaries are established in the minds of the board members. It is likely that arrangements will be made within the city hall that will provide housing quarters for the new machine. The coming of the new engine might not only revolutionize the fire-fighting business in the town, but it might also mean that the town will go back to the open market. No official action was taken in the matter, however, and it is to be seen just what will be done in solving the question.

It is understood that the new fire equipment will be here by the latter part of this month, and that some arrangements will necessarily have to be made by that time to house it.

Complaints were registered against the present parking system followed here, and Chief W. B. Daniel was ordered to alter the system so that cars might be parked at 45-degree angles to the right. Whether this change will be made permanent depends entirely upon the success of the new way of parking.

Mr. Dickey's Mother Dies

Death Follows Illness of Only Few Weeks at Home in Murphy

Mrs. Mary Dickey, mother of Rev. C. H. Dickey of this place, died at her home in Murphy last Friday night following an illness of only a few weeks. She was 68 years old and had resided all her life in Murphy where she ever exemplified a true and lasting Christian character. The funeral was held at the home Sunday afternoon at 2:30 and interment was made in the cemetery there.

Five daughters, Mrs. W. T. Smaley, of Macon, Ga., Misses Helen and Hattie Lou Dickey, of Atlanta, Mrs. Niel Sneed and Mrs. Fred Christopher, of Murphy; one son, Rev. C. H. Dickey, of this place, and the father, Mr. A. K. Dickey, of Murphy, survive.

Rev. Dickey was at the bedside during the last few days of her illness, and he will return home Friday.

THIRD VICTIM OF WRECK DIES

George Burch, Negro, Dies in Washington Hospital Friday Night

George Burch, 32-year-old negro, died in a Washington hospital last Friday night about 9 o'clock, as the result of injuries received in the automobile-truck collision near the river here the night before. His death brings the total number dead as a result of the accident to three.

While it could not be definitely learned, it is thought that Burch died of injuries to the back. The man's condition was not considered serious until just a few hours before his death, when his system failed to function and respond to treatment. Before he was removed from the scene of the accident, Burch stated that he was badly hurt, that he did not expect to recover, but attending physicians were of the opinion that his injuries were not as serious as he stated.

The body was prepared for burial and shipped to Marshallville, N. C., near Charlotte, where interment was made.

COUNTY BOARD MET MONDAY

Routine Matters Disposed Of; Draw Jury List for Special Term Court

Meeting here yesterday morning at 10 o'clock, the members of the county's governing body handled the regular routine matters placed before them. Very few matters of any importance came before the meeting, and only one official act was recorded. Mr. J. C. Smith, of Robersonville, was authorized to preside over the county recorder's court in the absence of the present judge, Mr. J. W. Bailey. Mr. Smith has served as judge of the court.

The greater part of the afternoon was used by the commissioners in revising the jury list. The revision of the list is handled every two years, and while it is a slightly disagreeable task, the board members tackled the job by townships and had completed the work by late afternoon.

A large list of bills originating in the courts mainly, was ordered paid, thus completing the proceedings for the day.

TWELVE PEOPLE IN COUNTY JAIL

Is Most That Has Been There Since New Jail Was Built

With twelve people in jail, eight white and four colored, Sheriff Roebuck has had a busy time during the past few days, and while several were released today, the federal court in Washington is sending several to take their places.

Out of the twelve cases, seven originated when State statutes were violated. Two cases have to do with drinking; two with driving automobiles while the drivers were drinking or drunk; two with fighting and three with robbery and house breaking. The other three cases involve charges of cruelty to animals, trespass and prostitution. The defendants in the majority of cases are young white boys.

According to the sheriff's register, he has the following line-up: J. R. Anderson, of Pennsylvania, but now of Goldsboro, Anderson took too freely of the spirits and entered into a row with a show woman. He is thirty years old.

John Simmons, a seventeen-year-old boy of Mount Airy, is awaiting trial under a drunk and disorderly charge.

Vernon Allbrooks, the 16-year-old house-breaker who was tried at the last term of court held here and sentenced to a training school, is awaiting the opening of the institution, October 10.

J. C. Winborne, of Oak City, is facing a charge of cruelty to animals while his 17-year-old brother, A. L. Winborne, is charged with trespass.

Roy Lilley, of Williamston, 21 years old, is charged with house breaking, larceny of meat and automobiles. James E. Mizelle, 17 of Dardens, is held on a charge for damage in an automobile accident.

Clarence Wynn, the kid of the crowd and who is just fourteen, is charged jointly with Roy Lilley for house-breaking and larceny. The colored guests include: Henry Jones, 24 years old, says he is charged with fighting a detective. Sam Roberson, 26, charged with driving an automobile while he was drunk. Medard Daniel, 15 years old, is charged with prostitution and John Stokes says he is pulling a 15-day sentence imposed in a Robersonville magistrate's court for fighting.

SOON ANNOUNCE DATES OF SERIES TOBACCO MEETS

Eastern Chamber of Commerce Backing "Educational Conferences"

URGE SMALLER CROP

Acres Reduction of 25 Per Cent Is Called For; Also Want Earlier Opening of Markets

Kinston, Sept. 30.—The Eastern Carolina Chamber of Commerce here this week will announce dates and places for a number of "tobacco acreage education conferences," to be held in Eastern Carolina during the fall.

"We expect thousands of business men to join with this organization in urging growers to cut the acreage 25 per cent next spring," it was stated by officials.

The movement for curtailment was launched at Greenville last Friday when more than 200 bankers, merchants, farmers, and others attended a conference called by the commercial body. This group adopted resolutions calling for the following steps to improve "the price situation":

1. A 25 per cent reduction in acreage.
2. A determined campaign to induce the farmers to turn spare hands over to live-stock and dairy herds.
3. A request that the Tobacco Association of the United States acquiesce in opening of the Eastern Carolina markets not later than August 20 next year.
4. A consistent campaign, to be headed by the chamber of commerce, to bring growers to see the need for diversification.

Eastern Carolina produces nearly a third of the nation's tobacco, the meeting was told. It deserves independence of smaller belts, whose sales, under the present scheme, must be completed before the auctions here are started, according to those demanding the earlier opening in 1929.

SCHOOL BOARD MEETS MONDAY

Business Consists Chiefly of Regular Routine Matters

Handling only the regular routine matters, members of the Martin County Board of Education met here yesterday in the monthly meeting. The business before the meeting required only a short session, and the several members returned to their homes shortly after the noon hour.

Several requests were made before the board for truck facilities in certain sections of the county, but present routings of trucks will necessarily have to stand, it was pointed out. Age limit in the schools was discussed, but no final decision was made in that connection.

All members of the board were in attendance upon the meeting with the exception of Mr. K. B. Crawford, who was busy on the market at the time.

Short Crop Cotton in State

Heavy Rains During Past Month Cuts Crop by 150,000 Bales

According to reports from several of the main cotton-growing counties, the crop has been cut short 150,000 bales, or over 15 per cent, by heavy rains and high waters during the month. The damage reported varies from 5 to 32 per cent in some of the sections.

Special Dance Friday Night

Proceeds From Woman's Club Dance To Go To Athletic Association

Proceeds from a special dance to be held in the Woman's Club hall next Friday night will go to the local athletic association, it was stated by one of the members yesterday in urging a large attendance. An individual admission of 50 cents will be charged.

Is Leading Song Service

R. F. Pope Is At Revival in Christian Church in Robersonville

After filling an appointment at the Maury Methodist Church last week, Mr. R. F. Pope, of this place is in Robersonville this week leading the song services in a revival being held in the Christian church there.

Tobacco Soars On Market Here Today

According to farmers reporting on the tobacco sale on the local warehouse floors today, the prices are soaring around peaks heretofore unachieved. Official figures were not obtainable at the time of our going to press, but dozens of farmers were of the opinion that the average would be well over 27 cents. Forty-cent tobacco was general, and prices reached as high as the 80-cent neighborhood.

The day's offerings were not large on the market today, but farmers selling here say this is an ideal place to market the crop from the standpoint of high prices, service and courtesy.

LOCAL DEFEAT AHOSKIE, 61-0

Very One-Sided Game At Fair Friday; Substitutes Get Their Chance

Williamston high school football boys recorded their second win of the season here last Friday when they turned Ahoskie back, 61 to 0, in a one-sided game. The locals carried the ball at will and made nine touchdowns, the seven extra points coming from place and drop kicks and forward passes. The visiting lads offered a game defense, but they were unable to check Holding and his team mates.

The game was one of the features at the fair here that day and was played at the fair grounds.

Three of the touchdowns were credited to Holding, two to Clark, two to Manning, one to Saunders, and one to "Jim Dawson Cook." The boys showed much better form in the Friday game than they did when they played Robersonville the Tuesday before. Holding's interference probably being the most outstanding improvement. While neither side made very many first downs, the locals completed every forward pass attempted and made substantial gains through the line and around the ends. Coach Hood's boys had the game in their own hands from beginning, never having to kick the ball to get their goal out of danger. Practically every member of the Williamston squad got into the game at one time or another, and the work of the substitutes was very good.

The locals are scheduled to play Windsor's eleven here this afternoon, and Friday they plan to journey to Ahoskie to return the game played last week.

AGENTS REPORT FOR SEPTEMBER

Continue Drive To Clear Fields and Ditches Of Stumps

A continued drive to clear fields and ditches of stumps is expected in this county this year, according to the September report of County Agent T. B. Brandon. The supply of government dynamite has been exhausted, but the DuPont company has prepared an explosive to take the place of pyrotol, Mr. Brandon stated. The price will compare with the one charged for pyrotol and where farmers wish to continue with their farm improvements they will be able to do so at a minimum cost. If the demand for the explosive is large enough, a carload will be shipped here for county-wide distribution, Mr. Brandon stated. Orders for the explosive should be placed with the county agent as soon as possible.

In the report placed before the county commissioners here yesterday, Mr. Brandon stated that he had spent much time in preparing for the fair and treating hogs.

Details of the report follow: 13 days spent in field work, 6 days spent in office work, 6 days spent on annual leave; 102 office conferences, 92 telephone calls, 116 letters written, 30 farm visits made, 497 miles traveled on official duties, 3 articles written for local papers, 293 hogs treated during the month.

Mrs. Lena Bell Taylor Dies

End Came Friday in a Washington Hospital After Long Illness

Mrs. Lena Bell Taylor, of this county, died last Friday in a Washington hospital following an illness of several months.

Mrs. Taylor was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Pate. She was 84 years old. At the age of sixteen she married Herbert Taylor who with nine children survives. Interment was made Saturday afternoon in the family plot near the home of her parents with Rev. O. P. Fitzgerald, of the local Methodist church, conducting the services.

CAPTURE OF TWO BOYS CLEARS UP NUMBER THEFTS

Arrest of Roy Lilley and Clarence Wynn Will End Raids on Meat, Is Belief

STOLE SEVERAL CARS

Boys Were Caught Near Tranters Creek Saturday Night Asleep in Car Stolen in Robersonville

Roy Lilley and Clarence Wynn, young white boys of this county, were caught while they slept in their newly-stolen automobile parked on an old woods path near Tranters creek, this county, last Saturday night.

Roy Lilley, a Griffins township boy, has established a record as a ham stealer, house breaker and automobile thief. According to statements made yesterday by Clarence Wynn, the half brother to young Lilley, the two boys left Martin county together in Roy's car about three weeks ago and went to Warrenton to visit their mother. He says that he and Roy left Warrenton last Friday and that afternoon they drove down to the fair but did not enter the grounds. Later the two boys drove over to Robersonville, and after driving around a while they reached home about 11 o'clock. Young Wynn said the car was stolen from the Williamston-Washington road and when near Corey's store, Roy got out and I went to sleep," he said. Upon Roy's return to the car they drove on and Roy stopped the car and got out a second time. Wynn says he went to sleep again and did not know what Roy did while away from the car. They went to another house and stopped, but the dogs barked so loudly that they failed to stop. "It wasn't long before we turned to the left at Corey's store when Roy took a bucket and went off, but he returned in a very few minutes and called me, and suggested that we leave at once, that he thought someone was after them."

The two boys took to their heels and followed the left-hand road out towards the Washington road and traveled by paths part of the time on through by the home of Ben Peel. They caught a ride that morning with Raleigh and Lester Terry and John and Bert Winberry to near Robersonville, and then they walked in at about 12 o'clock. They knocked around the town until about 8 or 9 o'clock that night when Roy took a Chevrolet car and the two boys drove toward Williamston and turned near the fair grounds, going close to their home on Tranters creek and stopped in a woods path and went to sleep where they were both arrested by Officer H. O. Daniel, of Everetts, and assistants.

Yesterday in jail, young Wynn was very reluctant to talk and said he hated to tell on his brother. He said that Roy left Warrenton several times at night during the past few weeks, but he did not know where Roy went except one time when he came down with him and that they visited Robersonville but did not go to any house or steal anything on that trip. He denied any connection with meat stealing. He did know the car they drove from Robersonville was stolen, and also knew the car driven Friday night was not Roy's as his car was in Warrenton.

While the confession of Wynn does not account for most of the meat stealing, it gives sufficient light to tie Lilley to the whole program which began with the stealing of meat from the smokehouse of Mrs. Mary A. Lassiter about three weeks ago. On the following Tuesday night, the smokehouse of Mr. Sam J. Lilley was entered and most of his meat stolen. Friday night of the same week Mr. John A. Griffin lost about a dozen of his hams. The thief carried Mr. Griffin's hams to Tarboro the next day and attempted to sell them, but suspicion was aroused and a policeman was called. While the officer was making a telephone inquiry, the rogue gave him the slip and left both the hams and automobile which proved to be a stolen car belonging to John Ed Swain, of Washington with license stolen from a New Bern car. On the Saturday night following, the smokehouse of John Savage, who lives near here, was entered and all the meat he had was stolen. Sunday night the smokehouse of Mr. H. C. Green was raided and between fifteen and twenty hams was stolen.

The next raid was made on the smokehouses of David Griffin and Jesse Lilley when a large quantity of meat was stolen at each place. Monday night of last week Hoyt Cowan's meat was stolen. Thursday night an attempt was made to enter W. P. Hadley's smokehouse and Corey's store, but the locks were too strong for the thief. The following night the party returned to Mr. Hadley's smokehouse and succeeded in breaking the lock. All the meat

RAISE \$191.65 FOR RED CROSS HERE

Quota for County Is \$300; \$145.50 Is Raised in Williamston

The quota of \$300, allotted this county by the Red Cross for the storm sufferers in Florida and Porto Rico has not been reached, according to the vice-chairman here. The contributions total \$191.65 at the present time with \$108.35 yet to be donated. The towns reporting contributions include, Williamston with \$145.50; Hamilton, \$35.00; and Oak City, \$11.15.

Few contributions were made during the past week and the vice-chairman is asking and urging the people of the county to turn again to the call of the thousands of sufferers. Many counties are going beyond their quotas now that they have learned conditions to be much worse than were first reported.

RED CROSS GETS OVER \$3,000,000

Over Half Million Victims of Hurricane Are Still Dependent

Public contributions to the subscription fund of the Red Cross have reached \$3,357,590.28, according to a report made at the headquarters in Washington, D. C., recently. Of the amount \$2,348,123.78 were raised in the eastern part of the United States; \$647,271.50 in the Midwestern section; and \$250,731 in the Pacific States. Contributions have been received from Porto Rico, the Philippine Islands, Cuba, and other places.

More than a half million persons who were victims of the hurricane in Porto Rico, Virgin Islands, and Florida are still dependent upon the American Red Cross for daily sustenance, it was announced today in giving the first resume of its operations.

In Porto Rico, the number of families under Red Cross, being fed, sheltered, and clothed, is 56,777, or between 500,000 and 600,000 persons. In Florida 15,232 persons are under Red Cross care.

The Red Cross has sent 163 of its staff workers, doctors, nurses, and executives in relief work into the field to direct operations.

In the seven counties in Florida where the storm caused great damage, 17,500 persons have registered with the Red Cross as desiring assistance in some form to rehabilitate themselves.

Get 6 Game-Law Violators

County Game Warden Walks Up On Party of Deer Hunters

County Game Warden John W. Hines attended a deer hunt on the Martin-Edgecombe county line Monday and picked up six hunters without licenses. They were James Jackson, Paul Keel, and G. F. Whitehurst, all from Fountain Store, in Edgecombe County, and George Wheeler, of Tarboro; G. D. Satterwhite, of Speed; and S. A. Harris, of near Palmyra.

Warrants will be served on these gentlemen and they will be cited for trial before a Martin County justice of the peace. They purchased State licenses while on the hunt.

Mr. Hines states that he hopes every hunter in the county will procure license without the embarrassment of a court proceeding.

No Hearing for Mizelle Boy

Driver of Car Which Caused Death of Three Is Still in County Jail

Up until noon today no arrangements, as far as it could be officially learned, had been made for a preliminary hearing for James Mizelle, held in connection with the wreck here last Thursday night when three men were killed. The young boy has talked very little about the tragedy, and according to officers he appears content to wait developments.

People visiting the jail state that he is greatly affected over the tragedy and talks very little.

There was stolen. Later the same night, the meat in W. S. Revel's smokehouse was stolen.

The next stopping place for the thief was the home of W. O. Peel, where Mr. Peel's dogs stopped the progress of the rogue. Mr. Peel heard the dogs and started after the thieves and overtook them when they attempted to steal gas from his tractor.

EVERY SCHOOL CHILD IN COUNTY TO BE EXAMINED

Two Nurses From State Board Make Preliminary Survey This Week

HOLD CLINIC LATER

Tonsil and Adenoid Clinic Will Be Held Here in Spring; Every Child in 57 Schools To Be Examined

Mrs. H. P. Guffin and Miss Lucille Pagan, of the State Board of Health, are in the county this week making a preliminary survey for a tonsil and adenoid clinic in the various schools. Examinations of all the children, both white and colored, between five and one-half and twelve years of age will be made, preparatory to the establishment of the clinics, it was stated by one of the representatives yesterday.

Once the program is planned and completed arrangements for the clinical work will be made and treatment of the children will be put under way. According to health workers, the clinic will not be held before next spring, that it would require some time to examine all the children between the set ages in the county's 57 schools, and that the survey could not be completed in time to arrange a schedule for the treatment before some time in the spring.

The treatment will be offered in one central point and will be given over a period of four days, the first three being for white children, and the fourth for the treatment of colored children.

Miss Pagan, who is assisting Mrs. Guffin with the preliminary survey, will be here only this week, it was stated. Mrs. Guffin will be here several weeks, remaining until the work is completed.

Similar work is being carried on by the State Health Department in practically every county in the State, and much good is resulting from the treatment. Dr. William E. Warren, county health officer, is cooperating with the work and has had a leading part in bringing the clinic to the county.

JURY LIST FOR SPECIAL TERM

Will Be Held Here During November; For Civil Cases Only

The jury list for the two weeks special term of Martin County superior court to be held in November was drawn by the commissioners in session here yesterday afternoon. The term of court was ordered by the commissioners at the formal request of Governor McLean several months ago. The county bar asked for the court, but a special order was necessary from the governor before the term was ordered by the commissioners.

The list includes the following, by townships:

- First Week**
- Jamiesville: Wilmer J. Holliday, H. B. Barber.
 - Williams: Ernest L. Godard.
 - Griffins: David T. Griffin, Alexander Peel, Simon Lilley, Ben R. Manning.
 - Bear Grass: S. H. Mobley, W. A. Perry.
 - Williamston: J. W. Watts, jr.
 - Cross Roads: Chester Beach, J. F. Bailey.
 - Robersonville: C. D. Carraway, D. C. Carson, W. A. Ross, Larry Bunting, Wiley Rogerson, J. W. Perkins, Sam T. Everett.
 - Hamilton: K. B. Etheridge, H. J. Hayslip, S. C. Purvis, Asa Johnson.
 - Goose Nest: J. A. Rawls.
- Second Week**
- Williams: John R. Gardner.
 - Griffins: William D. Manning, Buck Roberson, A. Dawson Griffin, W. B. Harrington, Miles R. Lilley, Chas. M. Peel.
 - Bear Grass: Lewis Taylor, Jesse Bailey.
 - Williamston: J. W. Manning, H. H. Cowan, W. M. Bowen, J. Daniel Biggs, J. D. Harrison, S. S. Brown.
 - Cross Roads: J. B. Barnhill.
 - Robersonville: J. R. Winslow, G. C. Taylor, R. E. Turner, E. C. House.
 - Poplar Point: H. C. Harrison.
 - Goose Nest: Willie J. Johnson, E. T. Smith, W. W. Casper.

Meeting of Woman's Club

First Meeting of New Fiscal Year To Be Held Thursday Afternoon

At the club rooms on Thursday afternoon at 4:00 o'clock, the first meeting of the Woman's club for the year 1928-29 will be held. The date of meeting was changed on account of the fair last week.

One question to be decided at this meeting will be whether the club shall have a cooking school during the coming months. All the members and other women of the town are especially asked to attend the meeting. If it is decided to have the two-weeks school, the cooperation of all the women of the town and community will be needed, one of the club officials stated this morning.

STRAND THEATRE

WEDNESDAY BUZZ BARTON

in "WIZARD OF THE SADDLE"

Also 2-REEL COMEDY and Serial "The Jungle Goddess" and **FREE TICKET FOR SHOW FRIDAY**