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LIST TAKERS FOR 10 TOWNSHIPS IN COUNTY NAMED

Most of Last Year's List Takers Are Reappointed By Supervisor

TO GET BOOKS MAY 6
R. O. Mobley, for Jamesville, and R. E. Grimes, for Robersonville, Only New Appointees

With a large percentage of the 1928 taxes yet unpaid, preliminary arrangements for the listing of taxables as of May 1, this year, are practically completed. Tax Supervisor John D. Lilley having recently appointed the list takers for the county's 10 townships. Only two changes were made in the appointments this year, eight of the old list takers being reappointed for the second or more times. Messrs. R. O. Mobley and R. E. Grimes, newly appointed, will handle the listing in Jamesville and Robersonville Townships, respectively.

The scroll books will be turned over to list takers on the first Monday of next month with instructions as to the method of listing to be followed this year. The books will be opened at once and property will be listed as of May 1, 1929. The listing of real estate will be practically the same as it was last year, except in those cases where permanent improvements have been made or where damage has resulted. The appraisers revalued property in the county in 1927, establishing the values that will continue until 1931, when another revaluation will be made.

No great change is expected to result from the listing this year, it being very doubtful if the listing will show an increase.

Farm census reports will be stressed this year, according to Mr. Lilley, the supervisor.

The list takers for the various townships follow:
Jamesville: R. O. Mobley, Williams; L. J. Hardison, Williamston; Roy Griffin, Griffiths; W. T. Roberson, Bear Grass; A. B. Ayers, Cross Roads; C. B. Roebuck, Robersonville; R. E. Grimes, Hamilton; L. R. Everett, Goose Nest; J. F. Crisp, Poplar Point; Leroy Taylor.

NO "SQUAWKIES" HERE FOR WHILE

Engineer Advises Against Installing Sound Equipment in Watts Theatre

Finding it necessary to make several alterations in the building in order to make possible perfect reproduction Mr. J. W. Watts, manager of the Watts Theatre here, stated yesterday that the installation of a Vitaphone in the theatre had been indefinitely postponed. The machine was placed in the theatre building last week and an engineer arrived here Saturday to install the equipment. After inspecting the building, the engineer pointed out several alterations that would have to be made before perfect reproduction could be guaranteed by the company. The cost of these changes, according to Mr. Watts, is very large, and will be impossible to overcome at present. Installation work was started yesterday, but the company, after learning the conditions, advised against installing sound and talking equipment.

Mrs. Lula Holliday Died Friday Evening

Mrs. Lula Holliday, wife of Roland B. Holliday, of the Poplar Chapel section, near Jamesville, died Friday evening from meningitis. Mrs. Holliday was 33 years old. She leaves six children, the youngest two months old. She was buried at the family cemetery on the home farm Saturday afternoon. The funeral service was conducted by Rev. C. E. Lee.

WATTS THEATRE
Wednes.-Thurs. April 24-25
LEW CODY
and
AILEEN PRINGLE
in One of Their Latest Pictures
Friday April 26
"THE AIR LEGION"
A Melodrama of the United States Air Service
Shows at 7:15 and 9 P. M. Daily
MUSIC BY PHOTOTONE

Clean-Up Campaign Gets Under Way Here Today

CHILDREN STAGE GOOD PARADE

Formal Opening Yesterday Postponed on Account of Death of Mr. Harrison

DIRT BEGINS TO FLY

More People Busy Cleaning Up This Week Than Seen Here Before At One Time

Postponed yesterday on account of the funeral of Mr. T. F. Harrison, the clean-up and paint-up campaign was put under way here today when the old town bell was sounded and the white school children paraded the streets in a body. Clean up work was evident in several quarters yesterday although the program was postponed and threatening weather prevailed. More people were raking their yards and moving the trash than have been seen here at any time before, according to a report rendered this morning by one observer who visited several sections of the town yesterday. The spirit of the movement has apparently reached to every nook and corner and a splendid work is expected before the week has spent itself.

Mr. J. C. Anderson appointed general chairman by the Woman's club, sponsor of the movement, stated yesterday that the only weak point in the clean-up and paint-up line was found where vacant lots are ignored. "The owners, in many cases, are not interested enough to care for the appearance of the lots and no appeal, no matter how strong, will be heeded by many of the owners," Mr. Anderson stated. It is the belief, however, that many of the vacant lots will be made some arrangements to clean up their property before the week is out. There are a number of vacant lots in the town, and many of them are piled high with trash. Other lots, while they are not vacant, have dilapidated and even "spooky" houses on them, detracting from the looks of our town and offering a ready mansion for the mosquitoes, rodents and other pests.

"Considered from the standpoints of health, beauty and safety, the clean-up and paint-up campaign now in progress here was declared to be a marked event in any town's history by County Health Officer W. E. Warren yesterday. "The healthy city of today is the one that is clean," Dr. Warren says. "The further we progress into the realm of medicine the more we become convinced of this statement. Often we breed mosquitoes in our own house gutters and by permitting old tin cans to accumulate around the yard we give rise to a common disease in this section, malaria. Numbers of other diseases are traceable, in part, to carelessness and to unsanitary conditions. To successfully combat diseases, the city that would be healthy must sponsor such clean-up and paint-up campaigns," Dr. Warren continued.

While the health officer stressed the health feature of the campaign in particular, he further stated, "and then there are other factors that, within themselves more than offset the cost and trouble of such a campaign." These factors, as pointed out by Dr. Warren, include the general appearance of the town and the lessening of fire risks. To the prospective settler the general appearance of a town has been pointed out to be about as important as the tax rate, and the elimination of fire risks is as important to the policy holder as a reduction of taxes is.

Casual observers will make close inspection while the clean-up and paint-up movement is in progress and reports will be made to the campaign heads according to present plans announced by those in charge of the campaign. Progress cards are being distributed to the various homes, but inspection by Boy Scouts and Police will be made in other sections, it was stated.

Tomorrow morning a parade of the colored school children has been planned. The present clean-up and paint-up campaign is being waged this week in an effort to lessen fire risks, improve health conditions in the community and make the town more beautiful. If you have not joined the cleaners' ranks, do so at once and help make the movement a decided success.

County Gets But 1 Federal Prisoner

Considering the charge of \$1 per day too high for the keep of Federal prisoners in this county, authorities are not sending any of the prohibition violators here to serve sentences. One prisoner, L. H. Rouse, agreed to pay the difference and was allowed to start his sentence here. The charge made here is understood to be about 35 cents per day higher than the amount the government would pay.

ROBT. L. TAYLOR DIES NEAR HERE

Prominent Citizen of Poplar Point Succumbs After Long Illness

Robert L. Taylor, 71-year-old farmer of Poplar Point township, died at his home there Sunday afternoon, following a long illness. Mr. Taylor was born in Cross Roads Township, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Wiley Taylor. Reared on a farm, he followed that vocation for a livelihood. The greater part of his life, however, he farmed for the "other fellow," but by hard work and the practice of economy he was able to own a farm of his own. He succeeded and was recognized as one of the leading farmers in his community just before his health failed him. He was ardent member of the Primitive Baptist Church and was, for a number of years, a licensed preacher in that denomination. He is survived by Mrs. Taylor, one son and two daughters.

The funeral service was held in Spring Green Church yesterday afternoon by Elder William Grimes. Interment was made in the cemetery at the church.

HOOVER URGES ENFORCING LAWS

Cites Violations of Many Laws in Address to Associated Press

New York, April 22.—President Hoover, in an earnest appeal to his fellow citizens to observe the law, declared here today that life and property in the United States "were relatively more unsafe than in any other civilized country in the world."

In his first address since his inauguration, delivered at the annual luncheon of the Associated Press, the chief executive said he was wondering whether the time had not come "to realize that we are confronted with a national necessity of the first degree, that we are not suffering from an ephemeral crime wave but from a subsidence of our foundations."

"In order to dispel certain illusions in the public mind on this subject," Mr. Hoover said, "let me say at once that while violations of law have been increased by inclusion of crimes under the eighteenth amendment and by the vast sums that are poured into the hands of criminal classes by the patronage of illicit liquor by otherwise responsible citizens, yet this is but one segment of our problem."

He explained that he cited the extent of murder, burglary, robbery, forgery and embezzlement because only a small percent of these could be attributed to the eighteenth amendment, and he asserted that of the total number of convictions for felony last year less than eight percent came from the source of the dry law. "What we are facing today is something far larger and more fundamental—the possibility that respect for law as law is fading from the sensibilities of our people," he continued. "No individual has a right to determine what law shall be enforced, and what law shall not be enforced. If a law is wrong, its rigid enforcement is the surest guaranty of its repeal. If it is right, its enforcement is the quickest method of compelling respect for it."

Mr. Hoover said there were two immediate problems before the government to investigate the existing agencies of enforcement and to reorganize the system of enforcement in such a manner as to eliminate its weakness.

Nine Killed Over Past Week End in State

Charlotte, April 22.—North Carolina counted ten dead and four injured today as the toll of two Sabbath automobile accidents.

Five of them died at Gastonia, where the Crescent Limited, passenger train of the Southern Railway, smashed an automobile bearing two families from Mount Holly, N. C. to the Lora mill district there. Four Sunday motorists were killed near Monticello, where their automobile overturned.

Locals Lose Friday to Morehead City, 5 to 2

Playing Morehead City here last Friday afternoon on the new high-school diamond, the local high-school nine lost by a score of 5 to 2. Facing a mean "out" and other curve balls that were just as effective by the Morehead City moundman, the locals were almost helpless, with the stick. Hardison, for the locals, pitched a good game and kept the visitors' hits scattered.

POULTRY CAR TO BE HERE FOR TWO DAYS NEXT WEEK

Will Also Spend One Day at Robersonville and One in Oak City

PROBABLY THE LAST

Car Will Be Here On Tuesday and Wednesday; Robersonville Thursday; and Oak City Friday

The fourth, and probably the last, poultry car of the season for this county will make three stops next week, two days here, one in Robersonville and one in Oak City, according to a schedule arranged yesterday by County Agent T. B. Brandon and F. W. Risher, head of the bureau of markets, Raleigh. The car will be placed on the siding here Tuesday morning, remaining here all of that day and Wednesday; Thursday, a second stop will be made at Robersonville and a last stop at Oak City Friday.

Prices announced for poultry offerings next week are slightly stronger than those paid at the last car. Increases of 1 to 2 cents per pound are noticed in the list.

The poultry offerings made at the last two loadings were heavy, so much so that many farmers were forced to wait several hours to sell. This, Mr. Brandon pointed out, will be prevented at this, the last loading of the season. Two cars will be run and two days will be given for the loading here.

While the outcome of the loading is a matter of speculation, Mr. Brandon states that many farmers will sell in an effort to keep their flocks out of their gardens and fields. He also mentioned the increase in prices as a factor in effecting a large loading.

PROCEEDINGS IN SUPERIOR COURT

Few Cases Go To Jury; Term Will End This Week

The second week of the special term of Martin County Superior court for the trial of civil cases only was opened here on schedule yesterday morning, the docket attracting very little attention.

A few settlements by agreement have been effected, only two cases being settled by jury verdicts up until noon today when the court recessed for lunch.

The cases disposed of yesterday and this morning, numbering five, are as follows:
Della Griffin and husband versus Isaac Nichols and Wheeler Martin trustee; judgment given against the plaintiffs.
In the case of D. G. Matthews against Sarah Moore, judgment was rendered in favor of Plaintiff Matthews.

Plaintiff J. H. Stalls against D. B. Mobley and others took a non-suit as to Taylor, Bailey and Brother.
A \$629.86 judgment and interest thereon from January 1, 1923, were granted Mrs. Nettie Cowan in a case against Gabriel Williams and Lucy Williams.
The case of Kate York and C. D. Cunningham against J. T. Sarvis is in the hands of the jury at the present time.

The program for the remainder of the week now indicates that all cases on the calendar cannot be reached before court adjourns.

Paddles Boat Across River 125 Times Friday

After paddling a boat across the Roanoke at Jamesville 125 times last Friday, William Daniel declared that the day had been a dull one for him. The boy handles the freight from the Fleming fishery there, and although it is a hard task to man the boat, young Daniel carries on his work without tiring, it is said.

Woman's Club Meeting To Be Held Thursday

The Woman's club will hold its regular meeting in the club rooms next Thursday afternoon at 4:00 o'clock, the annual election of officers for the club being pointed out as one of the most important features of the business program. The officers of president, second vice president and corresponding secretary will be voted upon at the meeting, it was stated.

Prizes Offered for Best Yields of Corn

To further stimulate corn production of the farms of this county the State, the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad will cooperate with the Extension Service of State College in offering \$250 in cash as prizes for the best yields of corn produced in the territory.

T. F. Harrison Dies At His Home Here

SCHOOL FINALS AT OAK CITY

First of Exercises Will Be Music Recital Tomorrow Night

The initial exercises in the Oak City schools commencement will be held in the auditorium there tomorrow evening, when Miss Heath's music class members appear in a recital. The second of the commencement programs will be the sermon for the seniors Sunday evening, April 28, at 8 o'clock in the school auditorium, Rev. C. B. Mashburn, of Robersonville, preaching. Wednesday of next week the dramatic club, Miss Myrtle Zetterower, director, will present a comic opera, "Hearts and Blossoms." Class exercises will be held Thursday at 8 o'clock p. m. of next week. Hon. A. D. MacLean, of Washington, will deliver the commencement address Friday, May 3.

The music recital Wednesday night, the first of the program, is expected to be one of the features of the commencement program, according to information given out by Principal H. M. Ainsley yesterday afternoon. All the members of the music class will have a part in the evening's program.

350 DELEGATES AT CONVENTION

B. Y. P. U. Conference Here Largest Ever Held in This Section

Opening here last Friday afternoon with 350 visiting delegates present, the Fourth Eastern Carolina Regional B. Y. P. U. conference was declared to be one of the largest and most marked yet held by the young church people of this section. With a strong program in effect and the several denominations here joining the Baptists people in the task of entertaining the young visitors, the convention proved very successful. High spots featured every session of the convention, and the delegates were very much interested in the program.

While speaking of the convention this morning, the Rev. C. H. Dickey, pastor of the local church, praised highly the spirit of cooperation entered into by people of the several religious denominations in entertaining the convention and its delegates.

With James A. Ivey, State secretary, in charge and President Coley, of Rocky Mount, as presiding officer, the convention's organization was effected at the Friday afternoon session. Registration of delegates was made and home assignments given. The evening program was featured by a demonstration of the Kennedy Home orphans and an inspirational address by Dr. Francis P. Gaines, President of Wake Forest College. Speaking on "Concentration of Youth for Service," Dr. Gaines stressed the leadership for the church. It was Dr. Gaines' first appearance here, and his coming was well received by the large and attentive audience.

A sunrise service with 125 young people in attendance opened the program Saturday when Rev. Mr. Stevens of the South Boston, (Va.) Baptist Church made a splendid address with "The Dedication of Lives" as his subject.

The 9:30 session Saturday morning featured musical numbers by the Kennedy Home orphans and a group of Chowan College students. The entertainment offered at the service was thoroughly enjoyed by the convention. Mr. James A. Ivey made the principal address at this session, taking for his subject, "The Finest of the Fine Arts."

At the afternoon session Goldsboro was selected as the next meeting place for the convention which will be held there in 1930. With an address by Dr. A. J. MacMillan, of the Wake Forest College faculty, the convention was brought to a close Saturday evening.

Many Farmers Now Transplanting Tobacco

With the plants in their beds growing rapidly, many farmers in this county are busily engaged in transplanting tobacco this week. A few plants were transplanted last week, but it is understood that the work is general this week.

According to many farmers, the work is further advanced this season than has been the case since 1918 and 1919. During the past two or three years, very few plants were transplanted before the first week in May, but it is understood that plants this year have been set-out as early as the middle of this month.

The rapid growth of the plants is given as the cause for the early transplanting.

PROMINENT IN LOCAL AFFAIRS FOR 28 YEARS

Was One of Founders of Firm of Harrison Bros. and Company

FINAL RITES MONDAY

Died Sunday Morning About 10 O'clock After Illness Lasting Several Years

Thaddeus F. Harrison, one of this section's best citizens and a leading business man, died at his home here Sunday morning at 10:00 o'clock following an illness of several years' duration.

Several years ago, Mr. Harrison was attacked by a very peculiar skin disease. He, at once, put himself in the care of physicians, and visited the country's leading specialists in New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore, Richmond, Rocky Mount, Tarboro and Washington, but the disease baffled the doctors until about two years ago, completely exhausted, death following, he gradually failed in health until he was confined to his home a greater part of the time. During his illness he suffered intense pain much of the time, and although he maintained an astute faith in possible recovery and courageously battled for life, his system gradually weakened until completed exhausted, death following.

Thaddeus Fernando Harrison was born in Bear Grass township, November 15, 1874, the son of Cushing P. and Martha E. Taylor Harrison. He was reared on the farm and received his early educational training in the country schools of that community. At the age of 18 years he moved to Palmyra where he was employed by Baker and Roberson, a mercantile concern of that town. After a stay of nine years there he came here and established in August, 1901, the partnership, Harrison Brothers and company, composed of Messrs. T. F. and L. B. Harrison and the late R. E. Roberson. This partnership continued until the death of Mr. Roberson, three years ago. The firm started business in the N. S. Peel building, now occupied, in part, by the Hall barber shop. After firmly establishing themselves, the partners carried their business activities to the Slade building now occupied by Barnhill Brothers and company. In 1917, the handsome brick structure now occupied by the firm was built.

As a merchant, Mr. Harrison established himself in the hearts of a large clientele, his employees and business associates as a man of high ideals and noble character. His employees, many of whom have been with the firm for a number of years, state they had never heard him raise his voice in anger while speaking any person, and that all held him in high regard for his spirit of gentleness, uprightness and punctuality in all his transactions. To hundreds of people, in the hearts of whom he had placed himself as a true friend, his passing comes as a severe shock. In the daily walks of life as well as the business-and-home, he will be greatly missed.

In March, 1903, he was married to Miss Eva N. Woolard, who with six children, five girls, Mrs. R. J. Parker, of Dunn, Martha L. Esthe, E. Josephine W., and Eva N. Harrison and one son, Thaddeus F., Jr., survives. He also leaves one sister, Mrs. Della Green, of this place, and six brothers, Messrs. James E., L. B., R. G., Geo. H., and C. A. Harrison, of Williamston, and Donnie B. Harrison of Palmyra. In his home, Mr. Harrison dominated a spirit of love and thoughtfulness that was beautiful in its pattern.

In religious activities, he had been a leader in church work for sixteen years, always performing well his every duty in both Sunday-school and church. He was assistant superintendent in the Sunday school and an elder in the Christian church here for a number of years, holding both positions until his death.

As a last tribute to the memory of one who had endeared himself to all who knew him, business men here closed their stores and with hosts of friends from this and other sections attended the services held at the home yesterday afternoon at 4:00 o'clock. The funeral was conducted by F. W. Wiegman, his pastor, assisted by C. B. Mashburn, of Robersonville, Dr. H. S. Hiley, of Wilson, and the pastors of the several local churches. Interment was made in the local cemetery with a large and beautiful floral offering attesting the high esteem in which he was held in the community. The active pallbearers included the six brothers, while R. J. Peel, C. D. Carstarphen, W. C. Manning, A. Anderson, W. J. Hodges, Dr. J. H. Saunders, Harry Vaughan, Henry D. Har-

BOY DIES AFTER BEING STRUCK BY SCHOOL TRUCK

Leaman M. McKeel Run Over by Truck Friday Afternoon

IN FIRST GRADE HERE

Truck Driver Did Not Know Boy Had Gotten Out and Ran Over Him — By Reversing Truck

The entire community was saddened last Friday afternoon when Leaman M. McKeel, the seven-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Virgil M. McKeel, was run over by a school truck and fatally injured. The little fellow, a first-grader in the school here, leaped from the truck to go to his home on the Mary Cherry farm, and the driver, Garland Bennett, not knowing the child had jumped out, reversed the truck, running both wheels over the boy before he knew it. The child never screamed and was rushed here for medical aid. Following an examination here, he was ordered removed to a Washington hospital, the little fellow dying upon his arrival at the hospital.

The truck carrying the children living out on the Hamilton road and its tributaries, left here when school recessed for the day. The trip to the Harrison place by the Mary Cherry farm was made and was on its way back to the main road when the accident happened. The driver had been driving through the McKeel yard and returning to the main road by another route. This time he apparently started on the Hamilton road, but just as he passed the lane leading to the McKeel home he stopped the truck. The child, thinking the truck had stopped to discharge him, hopped out the rear door and was caught under the wheel when the driver put the truck in reverse, apparently to go through the yard, as usual.

Services were held in the Holiness church here Saturday afternoon, Rev. A. T. Merritt, of Tarboro, conducting the last rites. Interment was made in the local cemetery.

SCHOOL HEADS MEET IN RALEIGH

All County Superintendents in State Are Attending School This Week

Exchanging places, figuratively speaking, with the students, the several county school superintendents in the State are assembled in Raleigh this week; where, with their feet under desks, they will study recently passed school legislation. Their task is greater, however, than the one facing the regular school student, and a hard week faces the school heads.

Plans for the operation of the schools during the next term have been checked, awaiting the interpretation of the new school law. It is understood that a definite operating schedule will develop at the Raleigh meeting this week.

State Superintendent Arch T. Allen asserted at the opening of the five-day session that after all the schools belong to the people and they would determine what they would do with them, but he added: "I believe the people want good schools."

The objects of the meeting, Dr. Allen summed up, are as follows:
1. To study the facts as they are.
2. To analyze the situation as it appears.
3. To discuss remedies.
4. To gain information on best business principles.
5. To formulate governing principles for every phase of school work.

With the objects before it, the assembly turned to its task, Superintendent Lockhart leading off the discussion of the first day's topic, county-wide plans of organization.

470 School Children in Parade This Morning

The parade of the white school children through the principal streets here this morning did credit to the school and those in charge as well as boosted the clean up and paint up campaign now in progress here. Donned in overalls, the first-graders led the parade, the entire 470 children displaying a marked interest in the clean up and paint up movement. Many of the children carried fly swatters, brooms, rakes and other implements necessary to the success of the campaign that continues all this week.

The colored schools parade tomorrow in the interest of the clean up and paint up movement.
rison, Roy Coburn, Milton J. Moya, W. Spivey, R. L. Coburn, N. K. Harrison, N. C. Green, J. D. Woolard, S. C. Peel, W. H. Gurkin, F. H. Brown, C. B. Godwin, Leaman Barnhill, Elbert S. Peel, J. L. Williams, S. B. Sessoms served as honorary pall bearers.