

Home of Jim Stalls, Near Robersonville, Burns After Explosion

'The local situation has not been im-Fire, thought to have started when proved, moreover, by DePriest's Norkerosene lamp exploded, destroyed folk speech given wide publicity in

fact that a Negress has been given New Store Buildings Preliminary work on the construc-

until August 19 to await the tariff bill,

Enactment of the \$151,500,000 farm relief appropriation earlier in the day completed work on the extra session tion of four new store buildings on the rogram of President Hoover except

on chief of police in gathering the details of the accident. Mr. Bunting further stated that his car was not parked on the road, nor was any other at parked there.



For Murder

The case charging Roy Roberson ice here and elsewhere for a few. minwith operating an automobile while inotes. One or two towns in this sectoxicated, was nol prossed.

tion were without light and power for The case of Dave Bryant was remore than three hours, the break here turned to the recorder's court where lasting only 10 minutes, however. the defendant is to comply with the One of the Norfolk, Baltimore & judgment of that court.

Carolina freight boats had just passed Charged with disturbing religious through the bridge draw here when congregation, Joseph May

the term. Henry D. Taylor was appointed officer of the grand jury.

Start Work on Four

and the House will concur tomorrowasking a vacation for itself until the middle of September.

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the residence of Jim Stalls last urday night about 9 o'clock, near Robersonville. The house, with all its contents, was completely burned. The house, belonging to Mr. Lester

House, of Robersonville, was valued at \$2,500, with only \$1,500 insurance. Mr. Stalls, losing everything except what he and his family were wearing at the time of the fire, had no insur-

ance on his personal property. Leaving the house, about 8 o'clock to visit a sick relative near by, the family apparently failed to completely extinguish the light, and the fire found its way to the oil fumes, causing the The fire threatened outexplosion. buildings; hard fighting on the part of neighbors saving them, however.

Attorney A. R. Dunning and Mr V. J. Spivey made a business trip to Rocky Mount last night.



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Virginia. His address to Negroes is main street here was started yestereccepted as having been an appeal to day, the contractors planning to start them to ally themselves with the anti-Smith people who had hoped to keep permitting. Work will be rushed to permitting. Work will be rushed to the State campaign a white man's completion, it is understood from the builder, Mr. J. G. Staton. fight and who now are disturbed at seeing the colored brethern voicing

The new buildings will fill the space the same sort of idealism. between the new Watts theatre and the postoffice with the exception of a

small space next to the postoffice Experts Compiling Data which will be used for a private drive For New Insurance Rate and walk way.

of no political significance. This how

ever has not altogether disguised the

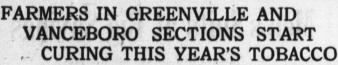
social entree at the White House

Approving the change from third to cond class insurance rating the 31st Hail In Bear Grass of last month for property owners here

Does Some Damage the North Carolina Inspection and Rating Bureau, Raleigh, has three men-Hail, causing a 15 per cent estimated damage, struck in the Bear Grass here compiling data for a new rating. Mr. R. M. Dark, assisted by Messrs. section last Saturday about noon. The W. D. Harwell and H. W. Hall, has hail hit the crops of a number of farmcharge of the work. Approximately ers, eight of whom entered claims

two weeks will be required to com- against their insurance policies, accordplete the gathering of the data and ing to a local insurance agency. from 60 to 90 days to complete the As far as it could be learned, storm did no serious damage to other

rate book. The new rating will effect a saving of | crops in this county. 10 to 15 per cent on all fire insurance Last year a hail storm did considpremiums, which means that approxi-mately \$3,000 will be saved in the means that approxi-tion to the tobacco crop.



those of last Saturday and Sunday is

Rains Holding Back Crop that they will not be ready to cure in This Section; No Curany of their crop within the next 15 days or more. ing for Next 15 Days The heavy rains of 10 days ago and

With heavy rains threatening the tobacco crop in this section and causing a delay in cultivation, farmers in the Greenville and Vanceboro sections are said to be busily engaged in curing the first of the group this much section to a great extent, many farm-ers stating that their group was dam-

said to be busily engaged in curing the first of the crop this week. 'One farm-er in the Greenville section is said to their fields. er in the Greenville section is said to have started curing last Saturday and that others would start similar opera-tions early this week. The curing sea-tions early this week. The curing sea-

son in this section is yet more than alarm among Martin County farmers two weeks off, many farmers stating at this time.

for the tariff measure, now before the Senate finance committee.

Tomorrow and Wednesday, the Senate will have time to consider revision of the rules to permit open session

for the consideration of nominations. The rules committee has proposed to amend the age-old rules to permit con-

nuch interest here this week. While there. Upon second thought, he pick sideration of the nominations in open the interest is practically confined to ed up the iron lever and started turnsessions upon a majority vote instead of the required two-thirds majority. members of his own race, it abounds ing the bridge back by hand. Sever-

The rules committee also has proposed there in large measure. Yesterday the al minutes he turned, and one or two courthouse auditorium was packed, 9 he would rest, getting the bridge back that all roll calls taken in secret sesout of every 10 of the colored people, in position just about the time the sion shall be made public: aid to have been from in and around current was put back on the lines.

Robersonville, awaiting developments Free Trip To Europe for called for trial. The case was called tions of the town, but that interrup Certain War Mothers

shortly before the noon hour, however tion was the result of local trouble. The United States Government has and it is thought that it will reach the officially announced that mothers havjury this afternoon. The case will take its turn in the

ing sons killed during the last World War while in line of duty as United regular court proceedings, attorneys in States soldiers, are offered a free trip the case being unable, this morning, to ten million dollars worth of Wake with all expenses to Europe this summer, provided the son is buried on for-

Attorneys Elbert S. Peel, J. C. was yesterday sold at the courthouse Smith, of Robersonville, and H. S. door for the collection of \$11,000 of Any persons interested in this free Ward, of Washington, will appear for delinquent 1928 taxes. It took Sheriff

the prosecution.

trip can secure full information from Julius S. Peel, Major, U. S. R., Wilthe defense, Solicitor Gilliam handling N. F. Turner about three hours to

## Important Meeting of BOARD COMMISSIONERS ORDERS Local Juniors Thursday

Members of the local Junior Order United American Mechanics, will meet in a special session in the Or-der's hall here next Thursday evening

at 8:00 o'clock when a team from the Robersonville Order will come here to handle an initiation of a can-

didate. Councillor J. E. Pope states that several new applications will be considered at the Thursday evening meeting, and urges all members to at-

## Lighting Stuns Man Here

Job Roberson, aged colored man, to investigate the cost of the proposed street paving program. was stunned last Saturday afternoon when lightning struck near the home of Mr. H. T. Roberson, in New Town.

the current was stopped, leaving the \$25. In a second and similar case he Many Attending Trial of Robersonville Negro side. George Harris, who cares for the of the action. bridge, was at a loss as to what he

Service was out in one or two sec-

Millions Worth of Land

bridge man stranded in the middle of was given a 12 months road sentence, the stream and traffic blocked on either suspended upon his paying the costs Lee Tyner was found guilty of larshould do. He called for help from ceny for temporary purposes and was

The case of Gus Knight, alleged the boat that had just cleared the given six months on the Edgecombe draw, but no help could be secured county roads. LOCALS DEFEAT WINDSOR, 14 TO 6

> Brown, of Jamesville, Gets Home Run With One On Base

In an exhibition game here last Friay afternoon, the Martin County All-Stars defeated Windsor, 14 to 6, the Sold for Taxes in Wake hard hitting of the locals featuring the Raleigh, June 17 .- From eight to play. In the third inning the All Stars the case being unable, this morning, to say just what time the case would be county property, listed on the tax unable to stop until nine men had made books at approximately \$6,500,000, the circuit. Brown, of Jamesville, batstarted a slugfest that the visitors were ted out a long fly for an easy home run in this inning, scoring one man ahead of him. Roberson, of Robersonville, and Hood, here, also added to the bat-

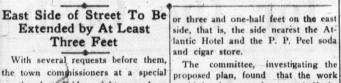
ting features during that frame. Barnhill, for the county boys, pitched effectively, allowing only a few scattered hits until the seventh frame, when the visitors touched him for five and made a majority of their runs.

AT SPECIAL MEET FRIDAY NIGHT Aside from the few erfors, the game was very well played, both teams showing good material.

## Grand Stand Being Built **On School Grounds Here**

A grandstand, seating around 200 people, is being erected at the new high school baseball diamond here, work having been started today. The stand will be placed on the third base line, topped and protected from foul balls.

The diamond is being improved for the first home game in the Bright Belt league next Friday afternoon.



WASHINGTON STREET WIDENED

The committee, investigating the meeting lass Friday night passed an could be done at about one-half the

make the sale.

order for the widening of Washington Street. The matter was discussed at length, and a committee was appointed completed the original sidewalk and