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## BIG CROWD HERE TO SEE NEMARDO HIS BLIND DRIVE

### People Here Are Agreed That His Trick Is a Very Good One

Nemar, the mystery man from Australia, attracted hundreds of people here last Wednesday afternoon when he drove a new Ford V-8 through the streets while blindfolded. The attraction started the town talking, some declaring he could see through the blindfold, and others declaring he could not see through the half-dollars, strips of adhesive tape, and cloth. And while there is obliged to be some trick to it, it is agreed that the trick was a good one.

Starting from the Watts Theatre, Nemar first drove to the top of the river hill and turned his car around. Returning, he stopped at the Virginia Electric and Power Company office, went in and found a carton of bulbs and gave them to Mrs. C. R. Mobley. From there he went to Barnhill Brothers, found a prize and delivered it to Mrs. O. S. Anderson. Finding a prize at C. O. Moore's, Nemar delivered it to John R. Rogerson. He then went to the store of B. F. Perry, found a prize and gave it to Miss Mollie Smithwick.

Driving rapidly in traffic, he circled the block and traveled back down Main Street to Margolis Brothers store, where he found another prize. He gave that to Miss Thelma Harrell. After turning around he drove to Clark's Dug Store and found a prize, which he gave to Miss Bland. His last stop was at Davis Pharmacy, where he delivered a box of candy to Mrs. Bill Glover.

Before starting his drive he gave a 100-pound ice ticket to Mrs. A. L. Roebuck. Madame Nemar was ill and could not be here for the drive. The mystery man brought along a new assistant who admitted she did not know how the man handled the car. It was a shocking revelation to Charlie James and Joe Gray Corey, occupants in the car trailing the blindfolded driver, when they learned that the assistant, also a passenger in their car, had nothing to do with the driving of the front car. Mr. Corey turned half way around in his seat several times in an effort to help Nemar make the first one or two corners, but after that he just rode ill at ease with Mr. James, who centered his efforts on trying to keep up with the driver of the front car.

Nemar is driving in Greenville this afternoon.

## MANY COUNTIES IN ARREARS LIST

### Martin County Has Paid About One-half Amount Due the State Fund

Less than half of the total of \$4,451,661 assessed on the 15-cent State-wide ad valorem tax for schools for 1932, had been paid into the State treasury so far, according to report made public this week by Treasurer Charles M. Johnson. And collections for the period are more than one-half million dollars less than they were for the preceding period.

Five counties, Hertford, Tyrrell, Burke, Chatham, and Davidson, have paid nothing on 1932 taxes collected under the 15-cent State school support provision. The report also states that several counties have failed to turn over money collected, and that in those cases pressure will be brought to have the counties pay.

Martin County has paid just about one-half the amount assessed against her for the support of the schools, local authorities stating that turn-overs have been made regularly and are up to date. Of the \$23,731 supposed to have been raised under the 15-cent provision, this county has paid \$11,613.95 into the State treasury.

## Large Tobacco Crop Is Forecast in Georgia

A recent survey of the size of the tobacco crop in parts of Georgia this year indicates one of the largest acreages ever planted there to the crop. The Valdosta (Ga.) Times says there are new barns being erected and old ones are being repaired in many instances. Despite the acreage increase, the Times quotes farmers as saying they expect better prices for their crop than those received last season.

Tobacco transplanting is complete in this section, and the crop is off to an early start, reports indicating that the anticipated acreage is now a reality. Blue mold resulted in much damage to beds and attacked plants in a few fields, but the obstacle was overcome, and now a full acreage is growing. The size of the crop is now up to the seasons.

## LEAVE MONDAY

Forty young Martin County men will leave here Monday morning about 8 o'clock for Edenton, where 36 of them will enter the civilian forestry work. The other 4 are substitutes. It is not known where the boys will go from there, probably to a camp in the Smoky Mountain near Asheville or some point in Virginia. The young men are taking local examinations today and the applicants will go to Edenton, where other examinations will be held. Young men from several other counties in this section will also meet in Edenton Monday.

## 65 PUPILS HERE ATTENDED EACH DAY OF SCHOOL

### Ben Manning Establishes a Unique Record During Past Eight Years

Through rain and snow, warm weather and cold weather, sixty-five pupils reported for work every day in the local schools during the 1932-33 term recently closed. It was the eighth year that Ben Manning scored a perfect record, and Sallie Gray Gurkin was next in line with a five-year record.

The names of the pupils signally honored are:

- Grade 1: None.
- Grade 2: Beatrice Cherry, Hurley Shaw, Jr., Jimmy Manning.
- Grade 3: Reginald Griffin, Garland Hardison, Wendell Gardner.
- Grade 4: Jerry Manning, Joseph Thigpen, Bennie Godwin.
- Grade 5: Julian Jackson, Sam Mobley, Delcie Godard, Sallie Gray Gurkin, Lily Bell Hardison, Helen Lindsey, Janie D. Newton, Carolina Stalls, Ellen M. Coburn, Thelma J. Mizzell, Everett Matthews.
- Grade 6: Buck Holloman, Reg Manning, James Mendenhall, John Ward, Jr., Thelma Griffin, Nora Grimes, Marie Perry.
- Grade 7: Carlyle Hall, Ray Goodmon, Leland Hardison, George L. Roberson, Elva Mae Mishoe, Helen Shaw, Bruce Chesson, Jr., Wesley Hardison, C. B. Rogerson, Lena Mae Glenn, Roland Lilley.
- Grade 8: Marie Griffin, Marjorie Lindsey, Thad Harrison, Ben Manning.
- Grade 9: J. D. Bowen, Vernon Godwin, Jr., Billy Griffin, Lawrence Lindsey, John Pope, Jr., Harry Taylor, Exum Ward, Jr., Alta Critcher, Eula Green, Ruth Jenkins.
- Grade 10: Lavinia Lilley, Wheeler Martin, Jr., Shelton Hall, Jack Manning, Dora Ballard, Elsie Mae Jackson, Christine Manning.
- Grade 11: Irvin Griffin, Davis Harrison, Woodrow Tize, Herbert Whitely, Louise Green, Jennie Green Taylor.

## BEGIN REVIVAL HERE MONDAY

### Rev. John Goff To Preach at the Christian Church Beginning Monday

Rev. John L. Goff will start a series of evangelistic services in the local Christian church next Monday night at 8 o'clock. The meeting will continue for one week. Rev. Mr. Goff, prominent minister in the Christian church, is held in high esteem by the people of New Bern, where he has lived and preached during the past several years.

The church hopes for a meeting that will be helpful to the community and asks the cooperation and presence of all people in the community.

## Local School Board Holds Its Organization Meeting

The Williamston school committee held a meeting here last night, when an organization of the body was perfected with Robert L. Coburn, chairman. No other official business was handled at the meeting last night, but the election of teachers will be considered some time next week, it was learned this morning from Member C. B. Clark.

## Curb Market To Offer Better Quality Eggs

An egg scale has been purchased for use on the curb market here, Miss Lora E. Sleeper, home agent, stating this morning that market patrons will be assured better quality eggs in the near future. Prices in effect on the market tomorrow:

- Cabbage, 2 cents pound; garden peas 2c pound; carrots, 3c pound; beets 3c bunch; butter, 25c pound; and strawberries, 5c quart.

## JUDGE WINSTON RECALLS OLD DAYS IN COUNTY

### Makes Commencement Addresses in Two Martin Schools Last Week

By FRANCIS D. WINSTON  
Last week it was my happy fortune to renew memories of my first visits to Martin County; and to let pass in glad review the thousands of faces I have known and the scores of places I have visited.

When my father, Patrick Henry Winston, commenced practicing law in 1846, Martin was one of the "from home" counties he practiced in. Around our family fireside the people of Martin were daily recalled and their friendship highly prized. My first visit to the grand old county was after the election in 1874, when I attended a great celebration in Sherwoods Grove, where the Democrats were rejoicing over the election of Major Jesse Yeates to Congress and carrying the county Democratic. Eastern North Carolina was there by the thousands. Great speeches, magnificent dinner, fighting Democrats, furnished a program I have never seen equaled. I went there by way of Taylor's—now called Coke's—factory.

My second visit to the county was in June, 1875, when, as a reporter for the Albemarle Times, published in Windsor, I attended and reported the Democratic county convention held in Williamston which nominated Mr. Joseph Waldo as a candidate for the approaching constitutional convention. Then the names Goose Nest, Griffins and Bear Grass were planted in my memory. Judge Waldo retired as a candidate and the County Executive Committee named Rev. Cushing Biggs Hassell in his place. Under his stirring eloquence and greatly beloved life and character our party victory was complete. The Albemarle Times was the Democratic party organ in this north-eastern section.

Mr. Hassell was a powerful factor in that great convention, reorganizing our laws and ridding North Carolina of the "carpetbaggers and scoundrels." In March, 1881, I was sworn in as a lawyer in Martin County court, presided over by Justices Waldo, Biggs, and Peele. I was presented to the court by my old college mate, W. Z. Morton. My friend of a life time, Harry Stubbs, was solicitor of that court for years. The old court stood near Tom Cook's home. I followed my father and practiced in the Martin courts.

On Tuesday night of last week I was the commencement speaker at the Oak City school. It was mighty-near the same "old Goose Nest spirit" to me. As the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Worsley, I was stirred by another chain of happy memories. I attended Horner and Graves Military Academy at Oxford, 1871-73. A fellow-student there was Nathan Mayo Worsley, of Edgecombe. He married and settled in Martin, where in lived in good repute and in high respect and esteem of all.

In passing the old "Kep" Brown place, I recalled his two half-brothers, George and Abner Brown. They, too, were my schoolmates at Henderson. I hold them in loving memory. Their step-father, "Jacky" Stone, was clerk in Robertson's Drug Store in Chapel Hill. Dr. Robertson married his daughter. He and I for many an hour have dwelled on Martin County and her worthies.

The "Jim" Sherrod place in Hamilton also recalls that Jack Sherrod was my Horner School much-loved companion and life-long friend. As I passed through Hamilton my mind wandered toward Palmyra, for the names of the Williams, the Everetts, Eborns, Spruills, Hymans, and Cokes, and others of that solid and useful citizenship, than which the state had no superior.

Another of my dearest friends lived in Hamilton. His earlier years were spent in Williamston. He is now an invalid and lives in Henderson. Than Charles G. Lamb I never knew a purer and sweeter-spirited man. I went with him to Scotland Neck, where he married my Hyman cousin. I have no name in my memory that touches sweeter chords than his.

Permit me to pay tribute to Prof. H. M. Ainsley and his excellent faculty. (Continued on page four)

## Rev. Mr. Dickey Returns To His Pulpit Sunday

Regular preaching services will be held in the local Baptist church both morning and evening, it was announced yesterday by Rev. Charles H. Dickey, who will return from a two-weeks trip to Georgia and Western Carolina in time to occupy the pulpit for the two services.

Sunday school will convene at the usual hour, and other religious activities will be held according to the old schedule.

## TEN CASES ARE TRIED IN COUNTY COURT TUESDAY

### Sizeable Amount Collected In Fines; Several Road Sentences Meted Out

Several substantial fines were levied and one or two sizeable road sentences were imposed by Judge H. O. Peel in the county court here last Tuesday when 10 cases were called.

Jesse Rogers was fined \$15 and taxed with the costs in the case charging him with the illegal possession of liquor.

Prayer for judgment was continued in the case charging Junior Wynn and J. D. Riddick with an assault with a deadly weapon. Herbert Page, a defendant in the same case, was sentenced to the roads for a period of 60 days, the term to start June 19.

Henry Salsbury and Kelly Salsbury were found not guilty in the case in which they were charged with larceny. Paul Jones, convicted in the case charging him with an assault with a deadly weapon, was sentenced to the roads for a period of 18 months.

H. E. Tarckenton was fined \$65 and taxed with the costs in the case charging him with operating a car while intoxicated. His license to operate a car on the highways of the State was revoked for a period of six months.

Herbert Page and Lester Terry were bound over to the superior court for trial in a larceny and receiving case. Earl Mary and Wiley Manning, alleged to have had a part in the stealing of a number of hams from Mary's father, were found not guilty.

In another case Mary was found guilty of larceny and was sentenced to the roads for three months. The Manning boy, also a defendant in the case, was found not guilty.

Mary was found guilty in a third case charging him with carrying a concealed weapon. He was sentenced to the roads for three months in that case.

Adjudged guilty of operating an automobile while intoxicated, Herbert Page was sentenced to the roads for a period of four months, the term to begin June 19.

Judgment was suspended in the case charging Jesse Leary with being drunk and disorderly. The suspension being made upon the condition that the defendant pay the cost of the action.

## NEW FARM ACT MAY RELIEVE DEBT ON FARMS

### Relief Bill Will Aid 400,000 Farmers Owning More Than Billion Dollars

Title eleven of the new farm relief bill contains provisions that will aid the nearly 400,000 farmers who have loans aggregating more than one billion dollars with the twelve Federal land banks of the United States.

According to information supplied the Extension Service of State College by the chairman of the Federal Farm Board, Henry Morgenthau, Jr., in 60 days after the approval of the Act by President Roosevelt, the interest rate on all these mortgages will be reduced to 4-1/2 per cent. Borrowers are now paying between 5 and 6 per cent. The new rate of interest must remain in force for five years.

Then, too, the act provides that payments on the principal of the loans shall not be required for a period of five years if the mortgage is otherwise kept in good standing. Heretofore, the land bank mortgages have required payments annually or semi-annually on the principal in addition to the unpaid balance. The banks are given authority to postpone payments on the principal for the next five years and also to postpone payments on the interest if the farmer is unable to meet such payments.

Then, these farmers who do not have their loans with the land banks but have secured them from private parties and organizations, may have their mortgages taken over by the land banks and share in the same benefits as those men who have borrowed from the land banks originally. This will apply where the place is in danger of being lost through foreclosure. In this case the person holding the mortgage must help.

A farmer may also apply for a first mortgage from the land bank if his loan is due and payable and he cannot meet the payment. He may also redeem land that has been sold and secure funds for putting the place on a sound basis again. County farm agents are instructed to aid farmers in learning the details of these new plans.

## Smith Says Special Courses Not Eliminated in Schools

Explaining his amendment to the school bill, Representative J. C. Smith this week said that the agricultural department in the Jamesville school and the commercial courses in the Robersonville school were not affected by the act, that they would be continued. He pointed out that his amendment made impossible a ninth month of school and supplements to teachers' salaries in this county.

No copy of the bill has been received here so far, and it is next to impossible to learn what the legislature did during its long stay in Raleigh. As the school bill was understood here, the two departments, as well as everything else supported by other than the State, were abolished.

Mr. Smith's explanation will be readily received and welcomed throughout the county, and particularly in those communities directly affected. It is estimated that a levy of 2 cents will care for the cost of each department, the local districts sharing about 60 per cent of the cost, and the State and Federal governments supporting the remaining 40 per cent.

## HONOR ROLLS AT LOCAL SCHOOLS FOR PAST MONTH

### Ben Manning Makes Roll Each Month During the Past Eight Years

One hundred and seventeen children literally stuck by their guns in the local schools up until the last shot was fired and their names appear on the honor roll for the eighth and last month of the term. Many of the names have appeared regularly each month during the term; many others probably would have appeared but for the outside attractions and indifference to school work.

There were a number of students in the ninth, tenth, and eleventh grades entitled to be included in the honor list, but due to the illness of Miss Van Dyke, one of the high school teachers, records for these grades are incomplete, and for that reason no honor roll was prepared for the three highest classes.

Ben Manning, young son of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Manning, adds to a record heretofore unheard-of in the local schools and not often anywhere in the world. He completed the eighth grade without being absent or tardy during his school career. And his name has appeared on the honor roll every month during all those eight years.

Sallie Gray Gurkin is out for a record of her own. During her five years in school she has not missed a day.

The list of honor pupils for the eighth month:

- Grade 1-A: Don Dixon, Leroy Godard, Fred Hardison, Richard Margolis, Burke Parker, Collin Peel, Luther Peel, Jerry Ragnor, Jimmie Ward, Betsy Anderson, Helen Godard, Courtney Jenkins, Lenora Melson.
- Grade 1-B: Lillie M. Lee, Dora Cherry, Clarence Pate, Burkley Nicholson.
- Grade 2-A: Jim Critcher, Joseph Gurganus, Bill Griffin, Franklin Lilley, Jimmy Leggett, Jimmy Manning, Hurley Shaw, Benny Weaver, Milly Biggs, Evelyn Griffin, Betty Gurganus, Patsy King, Velma Perry, Mary O'Neal-Pope, Madeline Taylor, Mary Warren, Dorothy Watson.
- Grade 2-B: Gordon Howell, Thelma Lowe, Daisy Manning, Sallie Williams, Lillie Mariner, Daisy Robertson.
- Grade 3-A: Sybil Roberson, Elizabeth Parker, Mildred Moore, Grace Manning, Mary L. Manning, Bina Jackson, Carrie Jones, Bettie Hoard, Dolly Godard, Susie Griffin, Mary A. Cherry, Edith Andrews, Charles Coltrain, Thomas Walters, Garland Wynne, Haywood Rogers, S. C. Griffin.
- Grade 3-B: Sallie B. Griffin, George Wynne, Kathleen Nicholson.
- Grade 4-A: Nina Bland, Katherine Manning, Esther Rawls, Anita Wheelers, Arthur Anderson, Martin Anderson, Stuart Critcher, R. J. Hardison, Warren Jones, Jerry Manning, Raymond Rawls, Joseph Thigpen, Dale Wagner, Jimmie Watts.
- Grade 4-B: Fate Roebuck, Jr., Luther Jones.
- Grade 5-A: Sallie G. Gurkin, Delcie Godard, Bernice Cowen, Eleanor Taylor, Virgil Ward, Doris Moore, Louise Melson, Elbert Peele, Jr., Gordon Manning, Jerry Clark.
- Grade 5-B: Doris Andrews.
- Grade 6-A: Reg Manning, James Mendenhall, Jack Saunders, Grace Barnhill, Dorothy Coltrain, Alma Godwin, Thelma Griffin, Nora Grimes, Ida Walters, Bernice Ward, Pauline White, Cottie M. Wynne.
- Grade 7-A: Charles Dickey, Pete Egan, Carlyle Hall, Whit Purvis, E. G. Wynn, Velma Bennett, Julia Everett, Addie L. Meador, Surretha Peaks, Helen Shaw, Jennie Strawbridge, Lois Taylor, Frances Cherry, Dollie M. Wheeler.
- Grade 7-B: Myrtle Lee.
- Grade 8: Marie Griffin, Ben Manning, Clayton Moore, Jr.
- Grades 9, 10, 11: Records not complete due to illness of Miss Annie S. Van Dyke.

## COST OF COUNTY GOVERNMENT IS \$1.31 PER CAPITA

### Martin Commissioners Get Less Than Any Others In North Carolina

The cost of government in Martin County for the fiscal year 1931-32 was approximately \$30,700, or \$1.31 for each man, woman, and child, according to a report released a few days ago by the University of North Carolina Extension Division in connection with the cost of government in 53 counties.

It cost each man, woman, and child in the county 27 cents to pay the commissioners and offset their expenses in conducting the affairs of the county. It cost far more than that amount for the individual to visit the polls and vote for the commissioners. Nearly 10 cents per capita was spent to maintain the county courthouse and jail during the period. Accounting costs, including books and other office supplies, amounted to a fraction over 10 cents for each person. Tax-listing costs amounted to exactly 17 cents per capita, the amount reflecting expensive scroll books and abstracts more than it does the actual money paid the list-takers.

The largest cost was that for courts and law enforcement. The operation of the courts and enforcement of the laws cost 92 1-2 cents per capita during the period.

To operate their governments during the same period, Beaufort County spent \$36,462.06; Pitt spent \$56,916.97; and Bertie \$27,653.08. The court costs in these three counties were from 22 to 34 cents below court costs in this county. Martin paid its county commissioners less and handled its accounting cheaper than did any of the neighboring counties. The board of county commissioners functioned at a smaller cost than any other board in the state.

## METHODISTS TO HAVE REVIVAL

### Plan To Start the Series of Services in Local Church Week After Next

By Rev. C. T. ROGERS  
We are very fortunate in being able to get Rev. E. J. Rees, of Washington, to conduct our revival beginning Monday evening, May 29, at 8 o'clock. We are also very fortunate in having our meeting to follow the one at the Christian church.

Rev. Mr. Rees is a pastor-evangelist, a power in the pulpit, running over with spiritual enthusiasm. You are going to enjoy these services, and all are invited.

- Sunday school, 9:45 a. m.
- Church services at 9:45 a. m. and 8 p. m.
- Union meeting of Epworth League zone Monday at 8 p. m.
- Holly Springs Sunday school, 10 a. m.
- Church services, 3:30 p. m.
- Epworth League Friday, 8 p. m.

## Presbyterians Start Daily Bible School Here Monday

Beginning Monday morning at 9 a. m., the children of this community between the ages of 3 and 15 will gather each morning at Robertson's Chapel for the Bible school. Instruction will be from 9 to 11:30 a. m. each morning.

Classes will be taught in music, Bible, memory work, handwork, etc. There will be a period for recess—at which time a number of games will be played and enjoyed by all. There will be an opening and closing period of worship. The children will be divided into classes according to ages. Teachers in the various classes will be Z. T. Piephoff, Mrs. Z. T. Piephoff, Mrs. Wilbur Anderson, Mrs. J. H. Robertson, Mrs. Lewis Wallace, Miss Sarah Robertson, Miss Ruth Taylor, Miss Katherine Hardison, Mr. J. Layton Mauze, Jr., and a number of others. The school will run for two weeks and will come to a close on Friday night at 8 p. m. June 2, with a commencement program.

## Dawse Griffin Suffers Three Broken Ribs in Car Wreck

Dawse Griffin, Griffins Township farmer, suffered several broken ribs and other injuries in an automobile wreck at Washington last Wednesday morning. Marion Lilley, driver of the car, and Bob W. Perry, a passenger, escaped uninjured. Mr. Griffin was entered in the hospital, but returned there only a short time, returning to his home, where he continues in bed. The car, a model A Ford, collided with a truck driven by Mack Moore, of Greenville.

## WELFARE LIST GROWS SMALLER IN THIS COUNTY

### Total of 515 People Given Aid in This County Last Month

Eleven and five-tenths of Martin County's population received aid from welfare organizations during the past month, as compared with 18 per cent the month before, it was learned here today. The actual number of Martin people receiving aid dropped from 780 in March to 515 in April.

Many welfare dependents are now turning to agricultural tasks in this county, and others are beginning to scratch their daily food from the gardens promoted under the relief system.

Further economic improvements are indicated in the percentage of North Carolina individuals who are dependent upon relief, according to statistics given out today by the Governor's Office of Relief. During the month of March, 819,164 individuals were aided as compared with 695,365 in April, a decrease from 25 per cent of the entire population to a little more than 21 per cent.

These figures are computed on the basis of 5 persons to the family, plus the number of non-family persons aided. During April 138,031 families were aided and 7,868 non-family persons during March, a decrease of about 16 per cent.

The percentage of destitution in the various counties show a similar decline, there being a decrease in all but 22 of the counties. Stanley continues to lead all counties with the smallest percentage of destitute persons, its relief load of 1113 individuals being only 3.7 per cent of its population. This percentage is also a decrease over the previous month, which was 6.4 per cent. Stanly is and has been throughout the entire winter the banner county of the state, in so far as destitute individuals is concerned. It has led continuously in percentage figures.

Even during April, there were two counties, Tyrrell and Clay, with percentages above 50. There were five such counties in March.

## Dr. W. I. Hand Expected To Preach Here Sunday

Sunday, May 21st, 1933:  
Church school at 9:45 a. m.  
Worship service and sermon at 11 a. m. (It is hoped that Dr. W. I. Hand, of New Bern, will be at this service to tell about the orphanage at Barium Springs.)

Bear Grass  
Church school at 9:30 a. m.  
Worship service and sermon at 8 p. m.

Roberson's Chapel  
Church school at 3:30 p. m.  
Ballard's Farm  
Church school at 1:30 p. m.  
Prison Camp  
Services at 3:30 p. m. by Rev. Hill.

## Two Services at Church of the Advent Here Sunday

There will be both morning and evening services in the Church of the Advent this Sunday. The subject of the morning sermon is "Giving Life To the Church." In the evening, the subject is "The Obstacle To Our Entrance Into the Kingdom." The hour for the afternoon service at the Holy Trinity Mission, near Bear Grass, has been changed from 3 to 4 o'clock.

## New Cases of Whooping Cough Are Reported Here

Whooping cough continues to spread, two additional cases having been reported yesterday with the prospect that many more are in the making. As far as it can be learned the cough is confined to this community and mostly among white children. One or two adults are said to have developed the cough recently.