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## DAN CUPID OUT AFTER RECORD IN THIS COUNTY

### Thirty-one Marriage Licenses Already Issued This Month

A new high record in the issuance of marriage licenses in this county is now in the making, it was learned from a review of the records in the register of deeds office this week.

Already this month, J. Sam Getzinger has issued 41 marriage licenses, passing the record of last month, which was the highest in several years. And the month is not over.

So far this year 294 licenses have been issued by the office in this county, surpassing the 1932 record by 50 and the 1931 record by 81.

On a recent Saturday Mr. Getzinger issued 11 licenses, to establish what is believed a record issuance for any one day since the office of the register of deeds was established in this county.

During the past three years the number of licenses has varied, first up and then down, but apparently the wave of prosperity, is making itself felt, giving courage to many young couples. To be sure, the increase in marriages is not a result of the advanced theory that two can live as cheaply or even cheaper than one.

## WILL CONSIDER PEANUT PRICES

### Growers And Cleaners To Have Conference With Federal Officials

Kinston.—The committee handling the matter of stabilizing the prices of peanuts of the Eastern Carolina Chamber of Commerce, headed by Chairman J. H. Matthews, of Windsor, and Secretary N. G. Bartlett, will go to Washington December 2 to represent the peanut growers of North Carolina at the hearing on the adoption of a marketing agreement with the cleaners and shellers and the Secretary of Agriculture, J. W. Tapp, director of the special crops division, has set that date as the time for the hearing. This committee, together with the committee from Virginia, met with the marketing committee of the cleaners and shellers in Suffolk Friday of last week, in an effort to reach agreement on the minimum price that the growers expect to ask to be set in the agreement. The cleaners and shellers are asking that the minimum price be set at two and three-quarter cents per pound for Virginia type peanuts, while the committee representing the growers believe that a three-cent minimum should be the low figure.

The committee of growers is also seeking a substantial loan from the government made direct to the farmers which will enable them to hold the peanuts off the market for the present at least. From all indications the hearing in Washington will be spirited, for the growers' committee and the cleaners seem to be in no mood to make any concessions from their respective contentions.

Others expected to attend the hearing than the committee are Governor Ethinghaus, Congressmen Kerr and Warren, of North Carolina, and Senator Bailey; Congressmen Drewry and Darden, from Virginia, and Senator Byrd, with the extension directors of North Carolina and Virginia furnishing a man each to furnish the "facts" for the contentions of the growers. The North Carolina committee has been working on this project since June 12 when the first meeting was held in Washington with Secretary Wallace and Chester C. Davis.

## Martin County Cotton Ginnings 5,573 Bales

Prior to the 14th of this month, the seven gins in this county had turned out 5,573 bales of cotton, an increase of 1,520 bales over that part of the crop ginned up to the same date last year.

Comparatively little of the crop has been sold in this county so far, but many farmers have placed the staple in associations and bonded warehouses, drawing an advance of about 10 cents a pound.

## County Farmers Rapidly Paying Off Seed Loans

Martin County farmers are rapidly retiring their seed-loans, Field Inspector Roy Hearn said this week. By the first of next year, Mr. Hearn believes all the loans will have been paid. The county has good prospects in leading others in the payment of the loans.

## A Proclamation

To the People of Williamston:

Whereas the people of Williamston have been so bountifully and graciously blessed with health, happiness, and the many necessities of life; and

Whereas it is altogether fitting and proper that we give time to express our thanks for the many blessings and to encourage the virtue of gratitude for the benefactions of a kind Providence; now, therefore,

I, John L. Hassell, Mayor of Williamston, happy to follow a custom that has been perpetuated since this nation of ours established its independence, do hereby proclaim and set aside Thursday, November 30, as Thanksgiving Day, and call upon the people of the town to honor and observe it by giving expression to the gratitude that is in their hearts for all the blessings enjoyed during the past year.

It is my desire that the people of Williamston use this occasion to offer their prayers and devotions to Almighty God, the giver of all good and perfect gifts, for His many blessings; to remember in our prayers those who are sick and bereaved; that we contribute to the necessities of the less fortunate, especially to those who are dependent upon the bounty of those who have enjoyed a greater degree of prosperity. Freely we have received, freely let us give.

In conclusion, I further urge that our people, remembering that all of us are, in the final analysis, dependent upon the great Central Source of Supply, forget their individual differences and unite in gratitude to God for the abiding things of life, at the same time seeking Divine guidance for the future.

JOHN L. HASSELL,  
Mayor, Town of Williamston.

## OVER 300 MEN SCHEDULED TO OBTAIN WORK

### Director Hines Of Opinion That More Than Quota Will Apply

More than 300 men will probably be employed on various civil works projects in this county by the latter part of this week; Bureau Director J. W. Hines said this morning. Nearly 221 men will have been released by the relief office and turned over to the civil works division. Up until this morning 76 additional men had registered for work from all parts of the county. Registration activities will likely continue throughout the week, Mr. Hines believing that he will get more than his assigned quota of 442 men.

Employment officials are starting a study of the applications today, and those men who are selected will be notified sometime this week. The office will not likely open for work Thursday, and it is understood the projects will be suspended for one day Thanksgiving.

Five projects have been approved in this county, and several more are before the higher authorities for consideration.

The projects approved are: The widening of the road from Cross Roads to Robersonville with 34 men assigned the task under the supervision of W. C. Sexton and Bisco Biggs.

One of the larger projects is the widening of the Jamesville and Washington road from the Beaufort line to Jamesville. Sixty men have been assigned to the undertaking under the supervision of Ransom Roberson and W. G. Hardison.

A disposal pit in Robersonville will employ 18 men. The widening of the road from Hassell to Robersonville via Gold Point, employing 39 men. The work is under the direction of Jim Pugh and George Leggett.

Various street improvements in Williamston will be handled under the direction of Alexander Lilley.

## 34 COMPLETE LOCAL COURSE IN FIRST AID

### Instructor Bookman Well Pleased With Results Of Instruction

Thirty-three high school boys and one adult passed the first-aid examinations given in the local school last Friday and Saturday by E. C. Bookman, instructor, and will receive certificates from Red Cross headquarters in Washington, D. C. Examinations consisted of oral and written questions and required demonstrations. Instructor Bookman paid a rather high compliment to several of the boys when he stated that six of the class ranked very high in administering artificial respiration, comparing favorably with the best that he had observed. Several scores on the written examinations ran in the nineties, one Boy Scout scoring ninety-eight.

Through the Virginia Electric and Power Company it was possible to make a beginning in this field of instruction, and it is hoped that both junior and senior courses can be offered in the school next school year, thereby offering knowledge of the care and protection of the human body to a larger number of students.

## Attendance Improves At Gold Point School

The average daily attendance for the second month was far better at Gold Point school than for the first month. The average was slightly over 63 pupils present daily for the second month. Grades, too, for the second month show improvement. Those making the honor roll are as follows:

- First Grade: Mabel Ray Stalls, Bruce Whitfield.
- Second Grade: Pauline Parrisher.
- Third Grade: Juanita Edmondson, Virginia Mae Keel.
- Fourth Grade: Gorman Parrisher.
- Sixth Grade: Bernest Keel, Thos. Norwood.

A Thanksgiving program will be given on Wednesday afternoon, November 29, the exact hour to be announced. All are cordially invited to attend.

## Rev. C. T. Rogers Returned To Methodist Church Here

Rev. Charles T. Rogers will continue as pastor of the local Methodist church, it was learned yesterday following the announcement of conference appointments in Durham. This is Mr. Rogers' fourth year as pastor of the church here.

## Thanksgiving To Be Observed As General Holiday Locally

Next Thursday—Thanksgiving Day—will be widely observed as a holiday throughout the county, reports from nearly every community indicate.

County and municipal offices, business houses, offices and post-offices will be closed for the day. All the schools in the county will suspend operations Wednesday afternoon until the following Monday morning. No sales will be held on the local tobacco mar-

ket Thursday or Friday, and business generally will come to a standstill in observance of the day as one of real thanksgiving in this, a new age. Even the farm operators will cease their routine activities and enjoy the day leisurely.

Hunters will probably turn to the fields in large numbers, while many others will visit sporting events in various parts of the State and country.

## FORM CLASSES TO STUDY HOME BETTERMENT

### Working Boys And Girls Asked To Meet With Miss Hurst

With reduced incomes and unemployment there has resulted much suffering among our people. For some time the Federal Emergency Relief Administration has been attempting to lessen the amount of suffering. At the present time the Civil Works Administration has taken up the cause and is working with the hope of eliminating this condition entirely.

As a further aid to this cause a nationwide educational program has been set up. North Carolina is doing her bit by providing a program which stresses mainly education for home betterment. During the period from November 13-25 home economics teachers from various parts of the State met at the Woman's College of the University of North Carolina, Greensboro, N. C., for the purpose of discussing ways and means of reaching the people in their respective communities. During this conference they were given special instructions, which will enable them to be more efficient in aiding the home-makers in their problems. These teachers are now back in their communities organizing groups of men, women, boys and girls for training in home-making.

In accordance with the above mentioned program Miss Mary Emma Hurst is working in and around Williamston this week. Any person who is over 16 years old and not attending the public schools is eligible for membership. A meeting for the purpose of organizing classes of 10 or more will be held Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock in the elementary school auditorium, Williamston, N. C. At this time a schedule for future meetings will be made.

Provision will be made for every interested citizen to join a group. If your work does not permit you to attend afternoon or morning meetings, make arrangements to come to this first meeting and a special effort will be made to arrange a group meeting to suit your convenience.

Miss Hurst is interested in organizing groups of young people who are not in school. A special effort will be made to reach boys and girls who are working. Those young people who are interested in such an organization are invited to meet with Miss Hurst at 520 West Main street, Williamston, N. C., at 8:30 Wednesday evening. At this time plans for future meetings will be discussed.

It is hoped that the community will cooperate with Miss Hurst in this effort. Pass the word along to any whom you think will be interested any try to convince those who are not.

## Characters Announced For "Deacon Dubbs"

For the play "Deacon Dubbs" that is to be given at the High School on December 8, the following is a list of the characters, and a word of description regarding each: Deacon Dubbs, the jovial farmer, and the one about whom the play is built; is played by Leslie Fowden. Miss Philpina Popover, the old maid who has her eyes on the Deacon, is played by Mrs. Sam Getzinger. The little school mistress, the heroine of the play, is Miss Lucile Hassell. Opposite her plays Frank Pittman, the ardent lover, a young lawyer. Murt Stubbs takes the part of the auctioneer who conducts the sale of the old home place belonging to the school teacher. Miss Trula Ward takes the part of the richest girl in town, and helps spread the gossip for the play. The mischievous character that adds a bit of spice to every important scene is Trixie Coleman, played by Miss Catherine Harrison. Yennie Yenson is the Swedish hired girl, out to get a husband, if she has to but one. Miss Margaret Everett takes this part. Chick Manning is the awkward farm hand, Deuteronomy Jones, whom the hired girl pursues with desire for matrimony.

## BLOCK SALES ON LOCAL MARKET HERE MONDAY

### Prices Holding Up, With Yesterday's Among The Season's Highest

With record breaking sales for this season of the year, the local tobacco market blocked yesterday. The sales forces cleared the block shortly before noon today, and there was a possibility that a second block would be encountered today.

Prices are holding up well, the estimated average yesterday being listed among the highest of the season. Much inferior quality of tobacco was on the floors today, and that is expected to reflect upon the average.

The market closes after sales tomorrow, but will reopen next Monday, Supervisor of Sales Parker stating this morning that all the buyers would be at their posts when sales were resumed.

## SECOND CROP OF APPLES GROWN

### Mr. H. A. Haislip Harvests Apples Second Time This Year From Same Tree

Late fall and favorable weather periods have caused fruit trees in this section to blossom twice during a single season and even threaten to produce a second crop, but Mr. R. A. Haislip, of near Oak City, is the first to produce actual evidence where two crops of apples were harvested from the same trees during the same season.

Back yonder in late June, Mr. Haislip harvested a bountiful supply of June apples from his trees. Their work apparently completed, the trees took on an indifferent appearance until early October, when they took on a beautiful coat of bright, white blossoms. Last week Mr. Haislip harvested his second crop of apples this season from the productive trees.

The size of the second crop of apples was not as large as that of the first, but the fruit was sound and very appetizing.

## HOG KILLING TIME IS NEAR

### Farmers Preparing For Annual Slaughter Of Pig Crop

Martin County farmers are now making preparations for one of the greatest hog slaughters in years. More than 20,800 swine were on hand last April and since that time many have been added to the herd. Three years ago there were only 14,393 hogs in the county. But even with the increase in number of swine, Martin County will find it necessary to import thousands of pounds of pork to feed its people. Importations, it is believed, will be much smaller during the next twelve months than they have been in several years.

A few days more and the pigs will be going into pork barrels in hundreds of smokehouses throughout the county.

## School Children Donate \$22.86 To Red Cross

Students of all grades in the Williamston school donated a total of twenty-two dollars and eight-six cents in the Red Cross drive conducted in the school last week. Every student was called upon to show appreciation of the work of the Red Cross by making some contribution regardless of size. The response was excellent, the entire membership in some grades making small contributions.

## Twelve Martin County Students At Wake Forest

Wake Forest, Nov. 22.—Twelve Martin County men are among the 900 students enrolled this semester at Wake Forest College. They are E. H. Ange, C. A. Askew, H. H. Cowen, Jr., C. Crofton, R. T. Harrington, E. T. Malone, C. H. Manning, E. W. Manning, J. W. Price, H. T. Rose, R. N. Turner and W. E. Ward.

The Baptist institution, now in its 100th year, will celebrate its centennial anniversary next spring with the completion of a new and handsome administration building. Its medical school has just moved into new quarters, the William Amos Johnson memorial building.

## Report Heaviest Seeding Of Fall Grains In Lincoln

Lincoln County farmers report the heaviest seeding of fall grains of all kinds planted in recent years.

## ALL SET FOR GAME

Football fans of this section will see one of the strongest teams in the State when Oxford High plays Williamston High here on Thursday. Oxford has defeated Warrenton, Henderson, Roxboro, Raleigh and Danville Military Academy during this season, Chapel Hill was the only team able to secure a victory over this experienced team. Williamston with one of the strongest teams in Eastern Carolina, will be in splendid condition by Thursday, and promises to furnish plenty of opposition as the season is brought to a close. The game will be called at 2:30.

## WILLIAMSTON ELEVEN DOWNS GREENVILLE 6-0

## Green Wave Maintains Unmarred Record Against Heavier Opponents

Coach Peters' flashy football squad annexed its ninth victory of the season here last Friday when Greenville was turned back by a 6 to 0 score. The game was considered one of the best seen here this season, and did much to boost the Green Wave's stock for the Oxford game here Thursday afternoon.

There were thrills a plenty, one coming in the last few minutes of play when the visitors intercepted a forward pass deep in Williamston's territory. Jack Manning, taking a pass over center, ran 40 yards for a touchdown. Attempt for the extra point failed. Henry Hardison played a splendid game at end, and "Snortery" Cox was in the thick of nearly every play, and probably saved the game when he recovered a fumble for his team in the danger zone. There was teamwork all the way through, the line offering a stubborn defense especially in the tight spots. While the visitors outweighed the locals by a wide margin, they were unable to make any great gains.

The boys are all set for the Thanksgiving encounter here with Oxford Thursday afternoon, and a good game is assured.

## Fire Company Called To Extinguish Grass Fire

The local fire company was called out at noon yesterday to a grass fire on Warren street. Several out buildings were threatened by the fire, but no damage resulted to property. Just how the fire started could not be learned.

## Hailed In Court For Hunting Without License

R. C. Clucas and W. L. Tucker of Norfolk were in Justice J. L. Hassell's court here last Saturday charged with hunting without license. Judgment was suspended upon the payment of the cost and the purchase of hunting licenses.

## ORGANIZATION OF H. S. BAND IS NOW PLANNED

### S. A. Braxton Of Raleigh In Charge Of Preliminary Work

The organization of a band in the local high school is underway this week with Mr. S. A. Braxton, of Raleigh, in charge of the organization program. Mr. Braxton, director of the Raleigh High School Band and the 120th Infantry Band, is offering instruction in playing various band instruments.

Under present plans, instruction will be offered on Monday of each week at a cost of only \$3 for each pupil a month, the children to finance the purchase of their own instruments.

Considerable interest has been shown in the organization of a band here, and it is believed that at least 30 pupils will have signed up by the latter part of this or early next week. The organizers guarantee the work to continue throughout the school year. They are forming bands in a number of schools throughout the State, and the school here is fortunate to have them offer instruction here.

## Attorney Biggs Might Resign Government Post

Solicitor-General J. Crawford Biggs might resign his post with the Federal Government in Washington, according to reports coming from a Washington newspaper this week. However, Judge Biggs is said to have never had a thought of resigning.

Despite the fact that Judge Biggs has never given that matter a thought, the newspaper (Washington Herald) item is just the beginning of an insidious campaign to try to force him out, it was said.

Judge Biggs, prominent in political circles in this State for a number of years, has a number of relatives here.

## Will Fagan House Burns In Williams Township

The Will Fagan house in Williams Township was burned last Saturday night, the fire being of incendiary origin, it is believed. The property, owned by Isaac Nichols, was partially covered by insurance.

## Curb Market To Be Open On Wednesday Morning

The curb market will be open Wednesday morning of this week to accommodate our Thanksgiving purchasers.

## Worship Dates Changed At Cedar Branch Church

Worship dates for the Cedar Branch Free Will Baptist Church have been changed from the third Saturday and Sunday each month, and in the future the congregation and friends will worship each second Saturday and Sunday, it was announced this week by the church clerk.