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BAND FROM HERE WELL RECEIVED BY LARGE CROWD

32 Local Boys Receive Ovation at Festival Held In Raleigh

Entering the Eastern North Carolina Band festival in Raleigh's Memorial Auditorium last Sunday as the youngest musical organization, Williamston's high school band was well received by the approximately 4,000 people, according to reports reaching home following the concert.

"The band reflected expert training," the News and Observer said in its account of the concert. The paper added, "All the Williamston lads tooted away with a right good will and the commendation they received was well deserved."

The local band, made up of 32 young boys, is a comparatively new organization, having had only 14 lessons under the direction of Mr. S. A. Braxton, director of several similar organizations in Eastern North Carolina. There were 10 other bands takboys made a creditable showing, even though the other organizations were ranked with the best in the state.

the concert there are, as follows:

Clarinets: Whit Purvis, Howard Gurganus, Ned Cunningham, Ben members meet the requirements, Whitley, J. L. Mobley.

rison, Jim Manning, Billie Biggs, Paul Cullipher.

Alto Horns: Clayton Moore, Junie Peel, Bennie Daniels. Bass Drom: Calvin Shaw.

Bass Horns: Ellis Ramey, Maynard Mobley. Trumpets: Jerry Clark, Ray Good-

mon, Buck Holloman, Ben Hopkins, Harry Taylor, Dale Wagner, Ben Daniels, jr.

Saxophones: Marvin Roberson, Mil ton James. Baritone: Eli Gurganus.

Snare drums: Horace Ray, Davis

SCHOOL NEWS AT FARM LIFE

Play Will Be Presented Friday Night; Honor Roll For Seventh Month

plenty of fun and wholesome enter- by rain and bad roads. tainment. The public is cordially in- The names of 28 pupils appear or vited to attned.

Farm Life honor roll for the seventh month, as follows: month, as follows:

sephine Hardison, Nannie M. Rob. Charlie Mae Scott.

Third grade: Dorothy E. Manning, B. F. Lilley, Alton Faye Peele. Smithwick, Vera Pearl Williams, Earl

Heath, Carlyle Manning. Harris, Ruby I Fifth grade: Ida Mae Corey, G. W. ginia Stevenson. Corey, Oscar Wiggins.

Sixth grade: Ola Lee Lilley, Bettie Louise Lilley, Evan Griffin.

Seventh grade: Ruth Lilley, Sarah Getsinger, Ruby Griffin. Eighth grade: John B. Roberson. Therman Griffin, Mamie Clyde Man-

ning, Daniel Taylor Lilley, Annie Ninth grade: Albert Wilson Lilley,

Joseph Lilley, Virginia Corey, Jay Daniel, James Peele.

Jimmy Brown Leads Off On AA Team With Hit

Martin County baseball fans ,generter where or when, will have a particular interest in the game this year now that one of the county boys, Jimmy Brown, is advancing into bigleague territory.

Young Brown, third baseman and lead-off man in the batting order for base hit on his first visit to the ba in the first game of the International League season played in Baltimore

The boy, a basketbaal star back in his high-school days, and a member of the local semi-pro baseball club at one time, was an active athlete at State College two terms.

He is the son of Mrs. Dara Brown, of Jamesville.

Clothing Representative At Barnhill's This Week

Storrs-Schaffer Co., in making a return visit to Barnhill Brothers' store here tomorrow and Thursday, showing the latest styles in men's clothing.

EMERGENCY LOANS

nce opening here March 26 the local office of the emergency seed and feed loan has advanced about one-half as many loans as were made last season, it was learned yesterday from Field Inspector Roy Hearne. No definite amount could be learned, but it is estimated that the loans so far will

total approximately \$25,000.

Mr. Hearne said yesterday that he expected nearly all the application will be in by the latter part of this week or not later than next Monday or Tuesday.

SCOUT TROOP TO BE REORGANIZED

Meeting Held Friday Evening

Preliminary steps for the reorganization of a Boy Scout troop here were taken at a meeting held in the courthouse last Friday evening, with the ing part in the program, and the local Messrs. Wheeler Martin and D. N. Hix in charge.

Forty-two young boys, several from the country, ranging in age from 12 for a division in the case of Roberson The names of the band members to 17 years, were present and exgoing to Raleigh and taking part in pressed a keen interest in the move ment, it was said.

The organization of a troop will be Cone, Jack Baker Saunders, Edgar effected just as soon as prospective Hardison, Vern Hardison, Charles Principal Hix stating yesterday that Trombones: J. D. Bowen, Thad Har functioning within the next two or three weeks.

The young boys will meet again in the courthouse Thursday evening at 7:30 o'clock, when plans for organiz- and today was said to be very unsuc ditional meetings will be held Thurs- ring were running in much smaller Scouting are invited to attend the smaller catches reported yesterday.

SCHOOL NEWS AT HAMILTON

feres With Pre-School Clinic Friday

Unfavorable weather last Friday is out of a possible 28 children reporting for physical examinations that after-The Farm Life High School will noon, Principal Edmondson said yespresent the play, "And Mary Did," in terday. Nearly all the eight children the school auditorium next Friday eve lived in the town, the others, living here today. A rise was predicted last ning at 8 o'clock. The play promises in the rural sections, being held away

Forty-eight names appear on the Principal Edmondson for the seventh

| First grade: Hazel Roberson, Fran-First grade: Tillie Gray Griffin, ces Moore, Edward Donaldson, El-Cairo Lilley, Doris Peele, Thelma inor Pippen, Mary Lee Gurganus, Wil liam Davenport, Rachel Gray Wynne, Second grade: Noah Roberson, Jo- Leman Bullock, Pearl Reason, and

erson, Georgia Dean Roberson, Dor-othy Roberson, Hazel Hardison. Second grade: David A. Boyd, Pat Davenport, jr., Tom Davenport, Dal-Fourth grade: Chloe Hardison, Lala Lou Taylor, and Mildred Thomas.

Fourth grade: Melba Everett. Fifth grade: Don Matthews, jr. Perlie Mae Roberson

Says Rat Dish Conductive

down near the river hill on a street desiring to participate in the reducadjacent to Main, says he was 12 years tion movement. old when freedom came and has always enjoyed good health. He is Discuss Best Breed of very fond of rats as a food, says he has eaten thousands, large wharf rats which have recently taken up their abode here being especially delicious. ally interested in the sport, no mat- Recipe: Skin, musk, parboil with salt and pepper, batter and fry.

The recent war on rats (poison) has interfered with Dan's source of food

Silver Tea At Home of Mrs. Coburn Thursday objectives and stick to them.

The Ladies' Aid Society of the Local Christian Church will hold a silver tea at the home of Mrs. Robert L. Coburn in New Town Thursday afternoon from 4 to 6:30 o'clock. The public is cordially invited to attend.

Gates Farmers Place Order for Lespedeza

One of the first steps in good farmoperative order for lespedeza seed. served a sweet course.

Entering Second Week, Number Cases Disposed Of by Judge Moore

Entering upon its second week here

years of separation.

7th of last August. J. A. Taylor was given a \$35 judgent against Will Hall.

against Arter Sherrod.

The court ordered certain lands sold

FISHING SLOWS UP ON RIVER

it was hoped to get the organization functioning within the next two or This Week; Fishery To Start Tomorrow

Fishing on the Roanoke yesterday ing the troop will be discussed. Ad- cessful, reports stating that the herday of next week, and the week fol- numbers and the better types of fish lowing at the same hour. All boys continued scarce. Prices are said to over 12 years of age interested in have advanced overnight following the

Seine fishing continues at a standstill, Mr. C. C. Fleming, ownersof the seines at Jamesville and Camp Point stating this morning that he hoped to start operations at Camp Point to-Unfavorable Weathr Inter-ing, the operator saying that he did the Washington road last Saturday

tions there. pre-school clinic at Hamilton, only 8 the season comes to a close next the sheriff and his deputy, armed with month.

out of its banks; and is about on a door. standstill, a slight fall being reported week, but so far it has not been noticed at this point.

the honor roll released yesterday by CORN-HOG DRIVE door," he was asked. IS ON IN COUNTY

Several Large Producers of Swine Have Already Signed Contracts

While hog raising on a commercial las Lynch, H. M. Peele, Curtis Roe- portance in this county, several large- Tuesday for trial. buck, Jane Poole, Jay Stokes, Emma scale farmers have signed the corn hog contracts, County Agent T. B. Third grade: Clifton Roebuck, Delia Brandon said yesterday. Any farm-Harris, Ruby D. Whitley, and Virers who have not signed and who care to participate in the program benefits are asked to prepare their contracts at the office of the agent be-Sixth grade: Mary Ward Slade and fore the first of next month. No contracts will be prepared after that time,

it was said. Under the terms of the contract,

Chickens for Beginner

The best breed of chickens for any beginner in the poultry business is determined by what the person wants with the birds. If egg production is to be the major business, then the leghorn or some other of the Mediter watch the garbage barrels on the the birds are to be some watch the garbage barrels on the addition to producing eggs, the reds breed has its purpose and fits into the poultry producing industry, so any beginning should set up definite

Legion Auxiliary Holds Meeting Last Saturday

The regular monthly meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary of American Legion Post No. 163 was held Saturday afternoon, April 21, in the home of Mrs. J Sam Getsinger in Williamston. Mrs. H. L. Swain, president, presided. After the general routine of business, Mrs. Vernon A. Ward gave ing to be made by Gates County land- a splendid talk on national defense.

RESUMES WORK COTTON QUOTA HEREONMONDAY IN THIS COUNTY

Enactment of Bankhead Bill May Delay Final Allotments

vesterday, the Martin County Super- controlling cotton production in this ior Court began clearing the docket country is expected to delay the final of civil cases, the tribunal presided acreage allotments to the various over by Special Judge Clayton Moore states, counties, and the individual nanding down a number of judgments. farmers. Under the provisions of the A divorce was granted James Henry
Speight against Delia Speight, the
proceedings being based upon two
Carolina being 508,000 bales.

According to unofficial information A voluntary non-suit was reported received here, the quota for Martin the case of Lewis Brown, admin- County will be reduced along with the istrator, against G. W. Peed. Brown quotas for other counties and states. Preliminary Steps Taken at was suing for \$5,000, the case grow. Just what the quota will be, it could meeting Held Friday ing out of the accidental killing of his not be learned. Definite information son, Robert Brown, jr., four-year-old is expected shortly, however.

colored boy, on the Everetts road the | Contracts recently signed by Martin farmers call for a reduction of aclaimed by the farmers themselves. Judgment in the sum of \$85.75 was Last year the Martin farmers claimed given Slade, Rhodes and Company they had a few over 7,000 bales, while the ginning reports showed only 6,050 bales. In 1928 the farmers guessed all other office candidates, \$1. they had around 6,000 bales, or just reports actually showed.

President Roosevelt signed the coton control bill last Saturday, stating

ficially from the tobacco contracts ers, it is understood. sent in from this county, but instructions and findings are expected to reach here any day now.

PLUM WILLIAMS IN TOILS OF LAW

Well Known Colored Man Arrested With Three Gallons Liquor

morrow. The high waters were still now in the toils of the law, county over the plant at Jamesville this morn officers having raided his home on not know when he could start opera- afternoon and found several gallons of liquor. Said to have been measur-Experienced fishermen state that ing out a pint or two for a prospect-The water in the Roanoke continues Williams was locking the bedroom

"What were you doing in there?" the officers asked.

"Making my bed for tonight," Wiliams replied. "And why are you locking the

"To keep the children out," was the reply.

clapped his hands, and laughingly be kept up to the minute. said, "Boss; don't, please don't joke me like that." Plum is scheduled to appear in the

Proposed Tax Does Not Alarm Local Bachelors

"Several states consider putting tax on bachelors" reads a headline in the State papers.

While North Carolina is not considering such a tax, it might be well said To Longevity of His Life the signer must agree to cut his corn sary to drive a few of Williamston's that more than a tax would be necescrop 20 per cent and his hog crop 25 old bachelors into matrimony. There's Dan Purrington (colored), who lives will be restricted of the contract William G. Peel, the insurance man, who, apparently, would not allow a little thing like a tax to trouble him. And then there're S. H. Grimes, Dode gram here this year. Hassell, Jack Biggs, "Sallie" Gurkin, and several others who would probwould pay it in the long run.

Record Book Prepared For Contract Signers

Growers who have signed reduction contracts are not necessarily required ranean breeds should be chosen. If to keep records on their crops, but a mplified record book has been prepared for the convenience of all growor rocks would be considered. Each ers who have signed the adjustment contracts. This will aid the grower in keeping a record of his acreage, his production and sales, and will help two proposed road projects in the uphim in filling out the special forms per part of the county, Mr. J. W. and reports necessary in making out Hines, head of the national reemployhis contract according to the requirements of the Agricultural Adjustment will be available for not more than Administration. It always pays a 143 of the men, Mr. Hines said, as Daniel Rogerson, Mr. James A. Evfarmer to keep records of his busi-

Plant Pine Seedlings As Reforestation Project ed.

the farm agent.

SUPERIOR COURT EXPECT LOWER CWA Spent Total of \$68,000 RESUMES WORK COTTON OUOTA CWA Spent Total of \$68,000 In County in Recent Months

FILING FEES FOR The enactment of the Bankhead bill OFFICERS FIXED

Deduct Amount Paid for Office Help; 1-2 of 1 Per Cent of Balance

According to information received day or two ago by Mr. Sylvester Board of Elections, from the State Board of Elections, candidates for county offices will be required to pay 1-2 of 1 per cent of the salary the respective offices pay, less any amount paid for clerical assistance.

While the definite amounts will likely be determined by the county board BISHOP WILL BE bout 38 per cent below the figures of elections, it is understood that the filing fee for the clerk of the superior court will be \$10.80; sheriff, \$17; register of deeds, \$10.80; treasurer, \$4.50; judge of recorder's court, \$4.50; and

The exact amounts of the filing fees about twice as much as the ginning can not be easily determined as a ruling from the attorney general points half of 1 per cent of the salary deter- 29, this being the time set for his an- gram on such a vast scale. Probably the purpose of the bill was to place mined by law. Officers in this coun- nual visit. Bishop Darst is very popthe cotton-growing industry on a ty have accepted voluntary salary to that it has a ductions, and after next December the looked forward to by not only the lief, for it was they, in many cases, ty have accepted voluntary salary re- ular in his diocese and his visits are rected against those who asked resize of the salaries will be left to the members of the Episcopal church but who sought the most and offered the Reports have not been received of-discretion of the county commission- by his friends in other communions as least in the way of honest-to-goodness

Several candidates have already filed with the elections board chairmade subject to change, it is under-

FILING MANY LEGAL PAPERS

Register of Deeds' -Office At Height of Its Busy Season

The register of deeds' office in this ounty is entering upon its busiest season of the year, the employees handling from 25 to 65 papers daily, i was learned this week. While busithe herring are not all gone, that a ive customer when the officers ar- ness is brisk year in and year out as believed to have interfered with the second run can be expected before rived, Plum was caught short. When a rule, the activities become more numerous about this time when huna search warrant, entered the home, dreds of crop liens, deeds, mortgages, R. H. Goodmon Is Elected and other papers are to be filed and later on cancelled.

The office is now recording 156 crop liens given by farmers in the county borrowing from the emergency seed loan fund. Several hundred crop production loan papers have already been recorded, and more are being filed almost daily, it was said.

Register J. Sam Getsinger works had a search warrant, Williams is and is now employing additional help

Dr. B. F. Brown Will Make Here on May 11

Raleigh, will deliver the commence- er matters handled. ment address in the local high school on the evening of May 11, it was an- Memorial Service for nounced yesterday by Principal D. N.

Doctor Brown is an able speaker, high spots in the commencement pro-

The next feature on the finals pro- the eight years the present pastor has .C. D. Carstarphen, Herman Bowen, gram will be held in the high school been on the field. to be present for the operetta as well ly service in the calendar of the local as for the other number on the closing program.

250 Unemployed Apply For Jobs on Road Work

Nearly 250 unemployed men in this county have applied for work on the ment bureau here, said this week. Jobs Mrs. Asa T. Crawford, r. B. F. Godthere will be only 286 openings, and half of those will be filled by men ry Meador, Mrs. J. H. Roebuck, Mr. School secretaries, librarians, and from Edgecombe and Pitt Counties, J. H. Britt, Mr. A. R. Dunning, Mr. census takers received a total of \$1,-

Just when work will be started on One thousand short leaf pine seed- the projects could not be learned to fings were planted on a section of day, but Mr. Hines was advised by poor washed mountain land in Chero-kee County recently as a field demon-readiness to start activities immediowners since the new farm agent was After the closing ceremony, Mrs. kee County recently as a field demonestablished there was to place a coGetsinger, assisted by Mrs. J. A. Ward,
stration in reforestation work, reports
ately. The wage scale is not definitea member of the state board.

CLEAN-UP WEEK

Designating next week as clean up week, town authorities and civic bodies are asking all property owners and other citizens to take an inventory of needed improvements now and make plans to support the movement all next

The movement is not a compulsory one, but its success'is based conditions. The least one can do is clean up his own premises and help clean public property.

HERE THIS WEEK

Friday To Honor Visit Of Dignitary

The Rt. Rev. Thomas C. Darst, out that the candidate shall pay one- Williamston this week-end, April 27- tionally good job in handling a prowell.

man, the amount of the checks being Advent will have a supper at the Wo- free group, as a whole, which sought man's Club, at which the Bishop will be the guest of honor. Every mem- than draw breath and pay. ber of the church family is urged to be present at this supper.

On Sunday morning the Bishop will confirm several persons, and will preach at the Church of the Advent. Sunday afternoon he will preach at Grass, and Sunday night he will preach at St. Martin's, Hamilton. Any persons desirous of being confirmed, who have not yet met the rec-

ORGANIZE FOR BASEBALL HERE

tor for instruction, are requested to

President, Bill Spivey Manager

The organization of a local baseball club was effected here last Friday night when officers and a manager were selected.

as president, with V. J. "Bill" Epivey and drainage projects. When the officers explained they well into the night almost every day, elected secretary-treasurer. Messrs. had a search warrant, Williams is and is now employing additional help Clayton Moore, L. T. Fowden, W. privies. The project fell far short of said to have dropped to his knees, at his own expense that the work may E. Dunn, T. S. Critcher, Harry Biggs, its goal, but regardless of the incom-

rectors. FINALS SPEAKER the local club is going ahead with the perfection of its team and will be vastly improved. It was a costly undertaking, but the results in that projection of the local club is going ahead with the perfection of its team and will be vastly improved. It was a costly undertaking, but the results in that projection of the local club is going ahead with the perfection of its team and will be vastly improved.

Commencement Address | cally next Friday evening, it was an

nounced today. Dr. B. F. Brown, dean of the school Windsor Thursday night, when a line- and materials. The labor on the projof science and business, State College, up of clubs will be discussed and oth-

and his address will be one of the the Memorial Baptist church held a any other time of the year, but the memorial service in memory of those CWA is not responsible as heavy rains of the church who have died during fallen recently.

building Friday night of this week at This was a unique service, and the \$16,644.55 on drainage. ably hold such a tax in contempt, but 8 o'clock, when the first, second, third, church was beautifully decorated with fourth and fifth grade children appear gorgeous flowers—artistically and in the operetta, "Little Red Riding tastefully arranged. According to Hood." Large crowds are expected present plans, this will become a year-school addition. church.

The dead from this church during the eight-year period are as follows: W. T. Meadows, jr., Mrs. R. S. Critcher, Mr. Louis C. Bennett, Mr. and Mrs. Lafayette Cross, Mrs. Thomas Gurganus Harrison, Mr. W. B. Hadley, Mrs. J. H. Britt, Mrs. J. C. Gurkin, Mrs. L. B. Wynn, Mr. J. Walter Anderson, Mr. John Daniel and field, and the plot now misses a Rogerson, Mrs. Mary Manning, Mrs. Lula Anderson, Mrs. Lina Martin, win, Mr. W. A. Burroughs, Mrs. John agent, safety supervisor, business cenerett, Mr. James E. Harrell, Mr. Har- gineering, cost \$2,326.65. Joe Taylor, Mrs. Herbert D. Peel, 029.50. It cost \$582.30 to provide aid Mr. Asa Tom Crawford, Mr. Joe Greg

ory, and Dr. P. B. Cone. William A. Grham, Commissioner of Agriculture, of Raleigh, was a visitor in town this morning. While here a member of the state board.

COST OF VARIOUS TYPES OF WORK IS SUMMARIZED

Largest Amount, \$19,889.12. Spent on Improvements To Highways

Despite the fact that they could not be carried on indefinitely, CWA activities, as far as Martin County Is concerned, have proved an important factor in the life of the county, a summary of the achievements of the local program which was compiled in

the welfare office this week reveals. Surely, the office handling the work n the county was criticized, justly so in probably a few cases, but unjustly in the main. Their duties were prob-Supper at Woman's Club ably the most numerous of any in the entire county, and they dealt with the illiterate, the maimed, the blind, and the ne'er-do-wells. Considering their tasks, the Martin County relief office Bishop of East Carolina, will be in and its every employee did an excepthe most severe criticism is to be dilabor and cooperation. That the di-On Friday evening at 6:30 o'clock, rect benefits are no greater than they the members of the Church of the are traceable, it is believed, to a careeverything and offered to do no more

Some of the projects, to be sure, could have well been left off, but the program designed by the authorities in Washington was to put men to work, to take them off a direct dole the Holy Trinity Missions prat Bear focal relief situation. And when the accomplishments are compared with what might have happened, it can be said that every dollar of the more than \$68,000 was well spent in the

The matter of employment was only one of the many constructive phases attached, it is pointed out, although from November 25, 1933, to the last of March, when the activities were terminated, approximately 778 persons in Martin County were given employment in the CWA. The largest number working at any one time

While most of the unemployed were found around the towns, the CWA extended its activities to all sections of the county, centering several of its R. H. Goodmon will head the club major programs on road improvement as manager. Wilbur Anderton was there was the great sanitary undertaking-the building of 2,400 sanitary and George Harrison were named di- pleteness of the sanitary program, the little houses dot the landscape from While the league is being organized, one end of the county to the other, ready to start play shortly, it is under- dertaking, but the results in that project were no more costly than in some A second meeting will be held lo- others. There were 352 privies constructed, the labor alone costing \$23.35 for each unit, or just about A league meeting will be held in twice the amount spent for lumber ect amounted to \$8,222.35, and the

materials were figured at \$4,521.50. The largest amount, \$19,889.12, was spent on highway improvements, or Dead at Baptist Church rather widening the roads and piling the mud in the middle. This week Sunday evening the congregation of the roads were rated worse than at

A few ditches were cleaned and a few more dug, the CWA spending

Repairs to schools, including paint-

school addition. Williamston's unfinished barn gymnasium cost \$4,343.66. Judging from the amount spent there and the progress made, both the unemployed and the aged were located on that project,

cost \$3,751.65. The CWA sunk \$3,-319.12 in the local baseball diamond level by some inches. The reemployment office, including the salaries of the officer, disbursing

Street work in the several towns

sus takers, price enumerator, and enin the school lunch rooms. Clerical help in the county offices cost \$178.50. An assistant at the county home received \$46.50, and an assistant to the county home agent was paid \$42. A

sewing project cost \$163.20, making a (Continued on the back page)