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## COUNTY COTTON ALLOTMENT SET AT 3,360 BALES

### Is 96 Per Cent of Amount Asked for; Considered Fair Allotment

Martin County farmers have been allotted 3,360 bales of cotton for marketing free of the 50 per cent tax, it was learned from the county agent's office here this morning. The quota is slightly over 96 per cent of the amount asked for in this county, Assistant T. B. Slade said, and is considered a fair allotment. Additional allotments are to be made to the county from a 10 per cent reserve, and it is believed that the late quotas will bring the number of bales that can be marketed free of tax up to about 3,500.

An order has already been placed with the proper authorities for surplus cotton marketing certificates to be used in this county, the office explained. These extra certificates will provide for the marketing of between 500 and 600 bales and will be sold to those farmers producing an excess over their allotment. While it is not definitely known just at this time, it is believed the non-contract signer will be eligible to buy certificates.

The tax free certificates received here today will be distributed to the 1,797 participating farmers immediately. There are a few certificates still due, the agent's office stating that the last certificates would be distributed just as soon as the figures for the state are completed and a distribution of the 10 per cent reserve is made.

In calling for the certificates, the landlord can get those belonging to the tenant, provided the tenant signs the notification card, it was explained.

## JOS. M. OAKLEY DIED THURSDAY

### Successful Farmer of Near Here Succumbs After Long Illness

Joseph M. Oakley, successful farmer and prominent citizen of near here, died at 3 o'clock yesterday morning, following a long period of declining health. He had been confined to his bed for several months but entertained hope until almost the last that he would regain his health.

Born in Person County, near Roxboro, 64 years ago, Mr. Oakley moved to Nash County when a young man. Five years later he moved to this county and was one of the pioneer tobacco farmers in this section. Following a year's stay on the Slade plantation in Poplar Point Township, he moved to his late home, where he married Miss Lizzie York and successfully farmed until his health began to fail. He was an earnest worker, and took much interest in the affairs of his community. He was a member of the Methodist church for a number of years.

Besides his wife he is survived by one son, John York Oakley. He also leaves one sister, Mrs. Mangum, of Person County. Two brothers, Tom and John Oakley, died several years ago.

Funeral services are being conducted at the home this afternoon at 3 o'clock by Rev. Charles T. Rogers, of the local Methodist church. Burial will follow in the local cemetery.

## Legion Post Holds Meet Here Last Monday Night

The John Walton Hassell Post of the American Legion held its regular meeting in the legion hall last Monday evening with many members from over the county in attendance.

This session witnessed the addition of several new members, and an effort is being made by those in charge to bring the membership up to its full quota.

It was voted by the group to give a free supper at the next regular meeting, which will be on Monday night at 7:30 o'clock, October 22nd. To this supper all ex-service men in the county are invited. Further announcements will be made in proper time.

The local post is showing new life under Commander Swain, and has an ambitious program in the county.

## Sunday To Be Men's Day At Colored Church Here

Sunday will be observed as Men's Day at the local colored Methodist church, when three special services will be held by the pastor. A special sermon will be preached at the 11 o'clock hour, followed by a mass meeting in the afternoon at 3 o'clock. The Christian Endeavor will sponsor the evening service, it was announced.

## Regular Services at Piney Grove Church

The regular monthly preaching service will be held at the Piney Grove Baptist church Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. The public is invited.

## Tax List Is Smaller Than in Many Years

### SAD NEWS FATAL

Soon after learning of the death of his father, Mr. Frank Daw, in Jamesville last Wednesday, Robert Daw, was reported to have dropped dead at his home in Wheeling, W. Va. Few details could be learned in connection with the sudden death, a telegram received by a younger brother stating that the man had died suddenly.

Mr. Daw was 35 years old and had spent some time in Jamesville with his parents. He lived in New Mexico for some time, only recently going to West Virginia. Following the burial of his father, the youngest son, Frank, left for Wheeling to attend the funeral and burial of his brother.

## REGISTRATION ARE IN HANDS OF REGISTRARS

### Will Be Open Tomorrow And Saturday of Next Week

Books for the registration of newly qualified voters or those who have not previously registered have been delivered by Chairman of County Board of Elections Sylvester Peel to the registrars in the 12 Martin precincts. The books will be opened tomorrow and the following Saturday for the registration of any citizens who have recently become 21 years of age or recently established their residence in this county. Those citizens whose names are already on the books will not find it necessary to register again to vote in the November 6 election.

The two primary elections last June and July brought out nearly all available voters, and an unusually small new registration is predicted in this county for the coming election. There are very few contests that will attract more than passing attention in this county, making it doubtful if the few citizens eligible to register will do so and vote in the November election.

Probably the most interesting contest will be the one in which Attorney Hugh G. Horton and Wheeler Martin are running for the state general assembly. The Democratic ticket is unopposed in the county. The next contest that will share in what little interest is created will be that of Lind say C. Warren and R. C. Dozier, who are out for the National House of Representatives.

## LOCAL REVIVAL TO CLOSE SOON

### Two Missionaries To Speak Sunday at the Holiness Meeting Here

The revival meeting that is now being conducted by Rev. W. H. Turner and his party under tent on Houghton Street here is now finishing out four weeks with good interest being shown.

Special features will be added to the program over the week-end. A string band will play for the services and Mrs. Turner is to sing some special numbers, which, it is believed, all will enjoy. A special local quartet will sing for the revival tomorrow night and Sunday afternoon.

Services will continue throughout next week at seven-forty-five each evening. Three services will be held Sunday, 11 a. m., 3:00 and 7:45 p. m. Two returned missionaries from China will speak. The public is cordially invited to attend any of the services and hear the missionaries Sunday.

## Eleven County Boys Apply for CCC Places

Eleven young Martin County boys have applied for admission in the Civilian Conservation Corps, and are scheduled to report in Washington Monday morning at 7 o'clock for examination. The boys were first instructed to report here at 8 o'clock that morning, but later instructions from the authorities make it necessary for them to be in Washington at 7 o'clock. The office here is directing the applicants to meet at the courthouse here at 6 o'clock Monday morning.

Eight boys will be selected from a group of eleven. The names of those applying:

John Edward Whitfield, Gold Point; Bonnie Lee Peel and Clarence Columbus Brown, Oak City; Milton Bennett, Palmyra; Jesse Dennis Wynne, Everett; James Riddick, Jamesville; Willie Edgar Ross and Jasper Brown, of Robersonville.

## 752 OWNERS OF PROPERTY ARE IN LIST TODAY

### Amount Delinquent Is Less Than Half of Amount Last Year

Martin County's delinquent tax list, covering the tax year 1933, is published today for the first time, preparatory to the sheriff's sale on the first Monday in November. Three additional insertions of the list will appear weekly between now and the fifth of November.

While it carries the names of 752 property owners, the list reflects a decided improvement in the tax situation in this section. It is the smallest in many years, and the amount of unpaid taxes represented is less than half what it was just a year ago. Seven hundred and fifty-two names appear on the list, representing unpaid taxes in the sum of \$18,067.81, as compared with \$38,820.23 unpaid by 1,183 property owners one year ago. The list appears one month earlier this year than it did last, giving rise to the belief that the record established would have been bettered had the sale been delayed until the first Monday in December.

The tax collection record, while it reflects improved conditions to a marked extent, does not do justice to the upward trend in the financial situation of this county, for many property owners cleared their back taxes and other debts, leaving 1933 accounts to go over until another year. Had there been no back taxes, property owners would have paid to within six or eight thousand dollars of the entire levy, it is believed.

Only one township, Griffins, shows a greater amount of unpaid taxes this year than last. The number of unpaid accounts was decreased by more than one-half, but the old J. and W. land holdings returned to the list this year, boosting the unpaid amount by more than 400. Without that account, the property owners in that district would have ranked right along with those in Jamesville, Bear Grass, Poplar Point and Robersonville Townships where exceptionally good collections records were reported.

Poplar Point led the county with the smallest number of unpaid accounts, while Bear Grass was top with the smallest unpaid amount. Marked improvement in collections was reported in nearly every township in the county.

Between now and the time the sheriff holds his sale at the courthouse door, it is reasonable to expect that a goodly number of the accounts now unpaid will be settled.

The following figures give some idea of the condition of the tax situation in the county for the year 1933:

Township	Amt. Uncollected 1933	1932
Jamesville	\$1,886.15	\$5,004.94
Williams	598.16	994.24
Griffins	689.95	564.62
Bear Grass	188.66	644.91
Williamston	3,566.36	5,353.85
Cross Roads	1,082.58	2,188.02
Robersonville	2,604.06	7,727.85
Goose Nest	4,831.34	10,425.64
Hamilton	2,303.31	4,783.27
Poplar Point	317.24	1,092.89

Total \$18,067.81 \$38,920.23

Township	1933	1932
Jamesville	127	218
Williams	48	61
Griffins	18	38
Bear Grass	18	36
Williamston	181	224
Cross Roads	35	71
Robersonville	114	198
Goose Nest	136	213
Hamilton	69	110
Poplar Point	6	14

Total 752 1183

## Presbyterians Announce County Services Sunday

Church school at 9:45 a. m. Worship service and sermon at 11 a. m. Subject: "In Spite of"

Bear Grass Church school at 9:30 a. m. Young People's meeting at 6:45 p. m. Worship service and sermon at 7:30 p. m.

Roberson's Chapel Church school at 4 p. m. Prayer meeting Thursday night at 7:30 p. m.

Poplar Point Church school at 2 p. m. Prayer meeting Friday nights at 7:30 p. m. Go to church somewhere every Sunday—Sunday school, too. Go "In spite of" the old stock-in-trade excuses.

## LOCAL PARENTS AND TEACHERS HOLD MEETING

### Nearly 100 Members Attend First Meeting; Largest Ever Held Here

With nearly 100 members present, the local parent-teacher association held one of its most successful meetings in years here last Wednesday afternoon. The attendance was the largest ever reported upon a similar event here giving encouragement to those at the head of the organization and to the teachers of the several hundred pupils in the Williamston school.

Following a very enjoyable concert by the high school band, Mrs. E. F. Moseley, president of the parent-teacher group, called the meeting to order. Rev. Chas. H. Dickey led the invocation, and Principal David Hix made a brief talk in which he stressed the importance of the school and the child.

The school head pointed out the need of cooperation between church, home and school. He was not in sympathy with those parents who seemed to want to rear their children easily and without any thought of wanting to rear them better. Continuing Mr. Hix called attention to the huge task of the teacher in teaching the child the things it should know and the things it should do, and insisted that the parents owned all the help and cooperation possible in supporting the teacher and school in the task for the benefit of the child.

There is an apparent indifference to the work of the school on the part of some parents until reports are offered on the work done by the pupils, and then they too often hold the teacher responsible and not the child for the pitiful showing indicated on the report card. Many of the conditions are to be regretted, but the school man plainly reviewed them and urged the parents to lend their aid in improving the school for the children and improving the children for the school. Too few parents, he said, ever take an interest in their children and visit the schools to see for themselves just what the children are doing. Very few parents, he continued, ever willingly help in the great task the teacher has in trying to promote the best interest of the child while in school.

Mrs. Moseley briefly outlined the duties of the parent-teacher association, explaining that it was better to find the facts and not imagine the faults; to aid in the marking of worth while lives and not money. She announced that on each Thursday afternoon from 5 to 5:30 o'clock during the next several weeks, the National Broadcasting company would present speakers of national reputation to deal with parent-teacher subjects.

A letter was read from Governor Ehringhaus setting apart a month, October 15 to November 15, as Parent-Teacher month.

The secretary, Miss Josephine Harrison, read the by-laws of the local association, and they were ordered sent to State headquarters for approval.

## Leading Presbyterian To Speak Here Tomorrow

Rev. Edbert W. Smith, D. D., former executive secretary of Foreign Mission of the Southern Presbyterian church will speak in Williamston Saturday at 2 p. m.

Dr. Smith, who for many years headed up the Foreign Mission work of the Presbyterian Church U. S. and who is now retired, will deliver a message in the interest of foreign missions in the Presbyterian church here tomorrow at 2 p. m. Dr. Smith has just returned from a six-months visit to the mission fields of China, Japan and Korea. He is also an author and lecturer or note.

Dr. Smith who is just passing through Williamston has kindly consented to speak. Every one, regardless of denomination, interested in this work is invited to hear him speak. A free-will offering to be used in foreign mission work will be taken.

## Program of Services At Baptist Church

Sunday is visitation day in the congregation of the Baptist church. The people are asked to remain at their homes Sunday afternoon between 3:30 and 4:30 o'clock, when some of the members will make a brief call in the name of the church.

The sermon Sunday morning will have for its text, "Lovest thou me?" At the evening service, at 7:30, there will be a baptismal service following the short sermon.

Sunday school, with its new officers and teachers, meets at 9:45, and the young people's unions at 6:30. The church's young people of ages 9 and more are requested to assemble for participation in these young people's exercises. The Roanoke Baptist Association meets at Wilson Tuesday and Wednesday.

## County Tobacco Crop Is Over Allotment by 205,000 Pounds

## Sales Hold Up Unusually Well On Williamston Tobacco Mart

With sales holding up unusually well despite activities of many farmers in their peanut and cotton fields, and the small amount of unmarketed tobacco, the Williamston market continues to rank at the top in prices for all grades of the golden leaf. Tobacco is selling good on the local market, with warehouse averages falling short of the 40-cent mark by only a fraction. Farmers continue well satisfied, and the market operators and buyers are still going strong, ever striving to get the highest

dollar for the market patrons. And they will be going strong until the curtain falls at the end of the season in the belt.

With about 100,000 pounds on the floors today, the market will reach the 5,300,000 mark. The average for the season so far will be in the neighborhood of 28 cents it is estimated.

Close comparisons have been made, and it has been found that tobacco prices are just as high on the local market as they are anywhere in the belt.

## MUCH OF EXCESS MAY BE SOLD ON GEORGIA CARDS

### Local Farmers Paid Over \$8,000 for Excess Cards From Other Sections

Martin County farmers exceeded their tobacco allotment by about 205,000 pounds, according to estimated gains from Assistant County Agent Murphy Barnes this week. Of the estimated excess, 171,159 pounds have been sold or can be sold on marketing cards brought here from Georgia and Hoke County, North Carolina. Several thousand pounds have been sold on cards purchased by farmers from their neighbors.

The county agent's office yesterday reported only 32,690 pounds available on the Georgia cards, the officials stating that they believed the poundage would be sold before the season closed, or before the cards are called in by state agricultural authorities. Information received yesterday from Raleigh indicated that the Virginia farmers are producing tobacco in excess of their allotments, and that they are expected to call for cards within the next day or two. Should there be any cards left unsold here when the call is received, it is likely that the surplus will be forwarded to Virginia for sale, it was stated.

To market the 171,159 pound surplus, Martin County farmers paid \$8,557.95, \$7,924.70 going to Georgia farmers and \$633.25 to farmers in Hoke County, North Carolina, where the production was considerably less than the allotment. This money was sent in its entirety to those growers who failed to produce their allotment, not one cent going to the government.

During the season so far, only four marketing cards were lost in this county, agreeably surprising those in charge of the tobacco program in this county. Three of the cards were recovered apparently, making the issuance of one duplicate card necessary.

About 100 farmers who have completed the marketing of the crop have returned their allotment cards to the county agent's office, where the slips will be checked with the master marketing cards and adjustment payments determined. Every farmer desiring to participate in these payments will find it necessary to turn his allotment card into the county agent's office when marketing is completed or soon thereafter.

## FRANK S. DAW OF JAMESVILLE DIES

### Died at His Home Wednesday, Following Stroke of Paralysis Day Before

Frank Sylvester Daw, prominent citizen of Jamesville, died at his home there Wednesday morning at 11 o'clock, following a stroke of paralysis suffered early the day before. He never regained consciousness. Mr. Daw had been in failing health for several months, but was able to be up until the day before his death.

The son of Frank and Emeline Fleming Daw, Mr. Daw was born in Panetogo, Beaufort County, April 12, 1875. About 20 years ago he moved to this county, settling at Jamesville, where he was connected in the timber and milling business for a number of years. He married Miss Eva Holliday there and she, with three children, Robert Daw, of New Mexico; Frank Daw, of Raleigh; and Mrs. Ruth Stewart, of Pensacola, Fla., survives. He also leaves one brother, Tom Daw, of Panetogo; and three sisters, Mrs. Martha Pinkham, Mrs. Will Walters, and Mrs. Gus White, all of Panetogo.

An honest toiler, Mr. Daw lived a quiet and peaceful life in his community, ever appreciative of the finer things in life and in the welfare of his family and neighbors.

Funeral services were conducted from the late home yesterday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock by Gilbert Davis, of Plymouth. Burial was in the Cedar Branch church yard, just a short distance from Jamesville.

## Miss Helen Shaw Won Beauty Contest Here

Miss Helen Shaw, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Shaw, was chosen queen of the cotton style show held recently in the Waite Theatre here. Miss Shaw was chosen over a large number of contestants.

Misses Lela Roebuck, Dolores Long and Tooldum Holding met George Harrison, Jr., at Wake Forest last night and later attended the fair in Raleigh.

## PLENTY DOING IN THIS SECTION

### Circuses, Fairs, and Football Provide Places To Go for People of County

With a riding circus carrying on its activities this week and two circuses booked, one for next week and the second for the week following, and the Greater Roanoke Fair the week after that, this section should be well entertained. And in addition to all that there are various religious services to occupy the attention of many. And then there are the bridge parties, the regular programs at the picture show and meetings of this and that organization.

The baseball season is closed, but fans were quick to turn to the next sport in order—football. Quite a few will be going up to Duke tomorrow for the game, and Williamston's high school promising squad is being followed by a fair-sized number of fans to Tarboro this afternoon.

There should be few idle moments for the little bit of humanity in this section for a while at least.

## ROBBIN'S CIRCUS HERE OCTOBER 24

### Is One of Largest To Visit This Section in Number of Years

Robbin's, one of the largest circuses to visit this immediate section in a number of years, will play here Wednesday, October 24, bringing fifty feature acts and a menagerie. Traveling in 70 trucks, the circus has three rings and special wild animal acts in a steel arena. The show, offering two performances, one at 2:15 and another at 8, carries 286 people, and is the only circus coming here this season that has elephants, lions and other performing animals.

Leading the fifty feature acts are Captain Wallace, Major Foster, the Water troupe, famous Yoshida family, the Mansfield troupe, the Bucca troupe and Captain Peasley and the Peasley family. Special reduced prices will prevail.

The circus, coming in its entirety, will reach here early Wednesday morning week after next and will pitch tents near the Planters warehouse.

## First Pinch by New Cop Is Also First for His Victim

Making his first arrest a few days ago, Assistant Chief of Police Troy Goodmon was informed by the arrest victim that it was out of the question to take him to jail. As the officer and prisoner neared the hoosegow, the prisoner explained that it was the first time he ever went to jail. The officer then explained that it was the first time he had ever put any one in jail, "Even Steven," the officer added.

Wearing his badge under his coat, Officer Goodmon was recognized as a plainclothesman, only he had no plain clothes. Learning that Mr. Goodmon had been added to the police force, a colored subject, failing to see any badge, asked if he was one of them "unbeknowningst" officers, probably meaning a detective. The officer is wearing his badge on the outside of his coat today.

## Regular Services At Methodist Church Here

Remember this is "Loyalty Month." Our attendance last Sunday was much better. Two services Sunday at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday school at 9:45 a. m.

"You cannot live on last year's food nor remain virtuous on last year's virtue." The church will help you. You are always welcome.—C. T. Rogers, pastor.

## NEW COLLECTION RECORD IS SET UP BY RECORDER

### Total of \$436 Received for Fines and Cost in Last Tuesday Session

While the primary duty of the recorder's court, or any court, for that matter, is to see that justice rules for the rich and the poor alike, the tribunal in this county reflected a vast improvement in the financial condition of its subjects last Tuesday, when \$436 were collected in fines and costs and a new collection record was established. In addition to that amount, the court is collecting comparatively large sums from defendants long out of court, but who were unable to meet the court requirements.

The session last Tuesday was not an important one in that the docket carried about the same run of cases.

The revenue collector carried several defendants into court for failure to procure operating licenses. The cases charging J. D. Gray with operating a pressing club without a license, G. H. Burnett with the operation of a garage without a license, and Monroe Everett with operating a cafe without paying license tax were continued. Lewis Gurganus was fined \$50 and taxed with the cost for operating a car while intoxicated.

A continuance was recorded in the case charging Sim Quinley with an assault with a deadly weapon.

W. Hardy was sentenced to the roads for 60 days in the case charging him with an assault.

Jesse White, charged with operating a truck with an oversize load, escaped judgment by paying the cost. The case was placed on the docket following a big raid on cringing motorists by 8 highway patrolmen here several evenings ago.

A nol pros resulted in the case charging J. N. Simpson and Sadie Coburn with fornication and adultery.

Joe Everett was fined \$50 and taxed with the cost in the case charging him with carrying a concealed weapon.

Charged with being drunk and disorderly, W. C. Satterthwaite was fined \$10.

Curtis Perkins failed to answer when he was called to answer in the case charging him with being drunk and disorderly.

Jarvis Whichard, charged with being drunk and disorderly and larceny, was sentenced to the roads for three months, the sentence to begin at the direction of the court.

Noah Walston was found not guilty in the case charging him with an assault with a deadly weapon.

James and Elmer Rogerson, the two colored men who brutally attacked Sylvester Wynn several weeks ago, were sentenced to the roads for four months each.

Entering a plea of nolo contendere, H. T. Strickland was found guilty of driving a car while intoxicated, the court fining him \$50 and adding the cost. His license to operate a motor vehicle was revoked for three months.

Lelon Roberson, charged with housebreaking and larceny, was found not guilty.

J. M. Sparks was fined \$50 and taxed with the cost in the case charging him with operating a car while intoxicated. The case charging Lee Tyner with operating an automobile while intoxicated was continued one week.

Program of Services At Church of Advent Rev. E. F. Moseley, Rector Twentieth Sunday After Trinity Church school, 9:45 a. m. Morning prayer and sermon, 11:00. Evening prayer and sermon, 7:30. Remember this is "Loyalty Month," and be present at as many services as possible. At the evening service the Rector will tell of the opening session of the General Convention at Atlantic City.