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# At Daughter's Home

#### Funeral Services Tuesday In Church at Bear Grass

Mrs. Creacy James Barnhill, wi-dow of Abram P. Barnhill and one of the county's oldest and most highly respected citizens, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Nathan Rogers, in Bear Grass at 7 o'clock Monday morning, marking the close of a sweet life well spent. Mrs. Barnhill, 88 years old last September, had been in declining health for several years, but she was able to be up and visit with her children until about two months ago, when she was forced by the infirmities of age to take

her bed, the end coming gradually. The daughter of the late Lamberry and Bettie Wynne James, Mrs. Barnhill was born and reared in Cross Roads Township, and spent most of her life there. Shortly after the War Between the States, she was married. The trials of the Reconstruction days were met with much determination, and she will ingly worked at the side of her hus hand to provide a home and accept ed the duties of remaking a section torn by war and strife. Her genial character and understanding added happiness to the task, and a large family of children later added to that happiness. She lived for others and found pleasure in adhering to the simpler and finer things that enhance the value of one's life. She was a good woman and lived a good and useful life, her thoughtfulness being always in evidence and her motherly advice being willingly accepted at all times.

Mrs. Barnhill was a faithful church member, holding membership in the Primitive Baptist church at Bear Grass at her death. She enjoyed a large friendship and was held in high esteem by all who

Following the death of her hus band, 35 years ago, she spent much time with her children in Robersonville, Everetts, Bear Grass and Williamston, where she made many strong friendships.

Mrs. Barnhill was the last membe of the immediate family, and is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Nathan Rogers, of Bear Grass; and three sons, Messrs. J. T. Barnhill, of Williamston, J. B. and Church Barnhill of Everetts. She also leaves 24 grandchildren and 15 great-grand-

The last rites will be conducted from the Primitive Baptist church at Bear Grass Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock by Elders B. S. Cowin and A. B. Ayers. Interment will follow in the family plot at the old home place, near Everetts, in Cross Roads

## Accident Is Fatal To Martin Farmer

Little Harris, 45-year-old farmer Harris was reported to have never regained consciousness during his stay in a Tarboro hospital where he was carried shortly after the acci-

Walking along the highway near Oak City, Harris asked a ride with Tom Braswell, Tarboro man. The hitchhiker was going only a short distance and did not go to the trouble to get in the car, according to reports reaching here. When he reached his destination and without warning to Braswell, Harris stepped from the running board of the car. His head, striking the rear bumper or some object along the road side was hurt at the temple, but the injury did not appear to be serious. It was thought at first that the man was just in a drunken condition, but when he remained unconscious for several hours, his removal to the

Harris is a native of Pitt County and comes from a prominent family of that section. His body was carried there for interment Sunday. He had been in Martin about four years farming with R. S. Edmondson in the upper part of the county.

#### Injured In Wreck Near Jamesville Friday Night

Ed Cahoon, Columbia man, painfully bruised and suffered a sprained back when he wrecked his car near Jamesville last Friday midnight. A companion of Cahoon's, a young man, was cut but not badly. The car was badly damaged.

## Mrs. A. P. Barnhill Decorations Here Attracting Says Frame-up Is Dies Early Monday Much Favorable Comment

attracting considerable and very praise coming from people traveling will not be left entirely in the dark this way from up in the New Eng- Decorator Allsbrooks for the town land states

Numerous homes have taken on a down the courthouse way, but he deholiday appearance and more are clared he was through, that traffic being decorated indicating that the duties would prevent him from cartown will wear its most complete rying the contest further.

The courthouse gang came through with their decorations late last Saturday night. Competing with the gala dress on the town hall steeple, the keepers of the old hall of the steep of the old hall of the o the keepers of the old hall of justice appealed to the likes of the lit- decorations the latter part of this tle folks. Building a chimney on week and to bring out-of-town top of the courthouse tower, the judges here to award the prizes that gang had them a life-like Santa total around \$40.

the man up to advantage by night. A few more lights will be added, the hall force eyed keenly the activities

Plans are underway to judge the

# Farm Bill Passed By **Congress Last Week**

#### PEANUT STORAGE

The storage of peanuts in gov-ernment houses will get under-wya Tuesday morning in Ever-etts, two houses here having al-ready been filled by deliveries. During the meantime, arrange-ments are still underway to use the Roanoke-Dixle warehouse here for storing peanuts with the

It is estimated that two thirds of the crop has been moved in this county, but that many sands of bags of the crop are being held by farmers until they can get storage space.

# Senate Defeated

The amendment to the tobacco ection of the proposed farm bill was explaining that while the proposed November 15. The bill passed dechange might catch the little farmer's eye, it was dangerous and would merely weaken the control program.

Promoting the amendment, Sen-

tor Bailey tried to point out that he did not want the production of the small farmer curtailed in pro-portion to that of the large scale As passed farmer. It was Mr. Bailey's idea to proposes controls for wheat, field cut the man raising 10,000 pounds by corn, cotton, tobacco and rice crops only ten per cent and the man rais- over a three-year period beginning whatever figures is determined by the various crops. apparent catch in it. The amendment measure directs Secretary of Agriof this county, died last Saturday at own the farm he lived on. In other years. 11:40 o'clock from a head injury re- words, the large-scale producer ceived in an automobile accident be. could line up his tenants, allow them tween Oak City and Speed in Edge. to grow only 4,999 pounds of tobactors are than \$250,000,000 the cost of Looking back, I see again the long combe County two weeks before. co and not suffer but a five per cent the present Soil Conservation Act table spotlessly white, adorned with production increase.

> The small-scale farmer in Martin County operating a two- or threehorse farm with his wife and children would have his production curtailed 17 per cent. The big landlord could add an extra tenant for every 4,999 pounds and profit most.

> It may be possible that the al-lotments could be broken down into 4,999-pound groups, and where the bill actually called for 17 per cent reduction, there would follow a five per cent reduction rendering the

mendments, most of them never reaching vote. He then joined a few democrats and voted with many republicans against the farm control

### **4 SHOPPING DAYS**

are left before Christman se days are numbered among shortest of the entire year. oppers, if they have not al-ady done so, will have to get my and get busy right now. Remember the Williamston

unts during these few reog days. They have suf. ficient and varied stocks to meet your needs, and surely if you stop and think you will see a far greater advantage is to be had by patronizing the home mer-

# Measure Will Go

#### For Consideration Plan to Stabilize Farm Income Is Passed by 59-29 Vote

**To Joint Committe** 

A farm crop control bill design ed to prevent huge surpluses in agricultural products and stabilize the farmer's income through an ever ormal granary was passed in the United States Senate last Friday evening by a vote of 59 to 29. The bill now goes into committee for consideration by the representatives of the House and Senate, the gener al opinion being that the differences Bailey Amendment in the House and Seriate bills cannot be ironed out and the measure sent to the White House for the President's signature before Christ-

> The passage of the farm bill is the first action taken in the special ses- cle: sion of Congress since convening on spite opposition of a number of democratic senators, including that of-

fered by Mr. Bailey. Peanuts and potatoes were included in the bill, despite efforts claimed to have been made by Sen-

As passed by the Senate, the bill

Experts estimated the cost of the sible but expected. that the cost be kept within \$500,-000,000 or that new taxes be im-

posed to finance the difference. Both the House and Senate bills authorize the Department of Agri-ing. culture to fix emergency marketing they have been approved by twothirds of the farmers affected and provide strict penalties for violation of these quotas

The House bill covers the same commodities as those named in the and much of the now nearly lost art of amusing conversation. ing parity benefit payments to the farmers the lower chamber voted to make payments to those who co-gaudily dressed in every describable perate in soil conservation.

the Senate bill included:

1. Wheat and corn: Production would be limited through voluntary been spent it was apt to end in creage contracts and compulsory dancing. I do not recall having seen wo-thirds vote of affected farmers, polka and schottish. Most of the A penalty of 50 per cent of the dances were square, country, or con parity price for exceeding market. ng quotas would be assessed.

2. A cotton referendum, subject

rowers, would make the cotton creage control program compulnalties of 75 per cent of the price of the cotton grown on the creage exceeding quotas are pro-

president of the North Carolina terview in Asheville recently that part of certain groups of busine interests and newspapers" to force modification of the New Deal.

Spruill, president of the People' Bank and Trust company at Rocky Mount, related what he said was the experience of a veneer plant in that neighborhood to support his conter

The plant, he said, had orders or and sufficient to keep it busy for ultaneously, from various parts of the country came telegraphic in structions to hold up the orders.

The orders were not cancelled, he dded, but were merely subjected to

"Now, why," he asked, "did concerns all over the country, with contracts calling for use of that veneer, simultaneously find out they

The banker predicted that the re ession would "wear itself out." There are now signs, he said, that the downward trend is slowing in North Carolina

"Business concerns, regardless of their attitude toward the adminis ration, will realize that they might s well go ahead," he said.

At the outset of his interview Spruill asserted that he did no consider himself an expert "nobody really knows anything about it," but that "It looks to me like a concerted movement."

# Capt. Ashe Recalls

Under this heading the December Progressive Farmer prints a remarkable article by Capt. Samuel A. Ashe the only surviving officer of the regular army of the Confederacy. Spending his childhood on a plantation near Wilmington, Capt Ashe was fully familiar with the traditional customs of the Old South. We quote these extracts from his arti-

"White and blacks alike looked forward with joyful anticipation to the coming of Christmas. Prepara tions began weeks beforehand. In the kitchen, cakes, pies and puddings were stored away. Wild turkey, venion and other game were prepared and the cool weather preceding Christmas was utilized for the busy

ing 5,000 pounds by only five per in 1938. Different methods will be wreathed with holly and mistletoe, cent, and all others 17 per cent or used to regulate the production of and the making of these wreaths sounds good so far, but there is an surpluses in wheat and corn the cutting the holly, which with their assistance was to be woven by the went on to say that a farmer was culture Henry A. Wallace to initiate deft fingers of the ladies into any man living on his farm, but it the ever-normal granary plan which wreaths. Much tender touching of any man living on his farm, but it the ever-normal granary plan which wreaths. Much tender touching or the highway when he was struck. The sponsors of the movement did not mean that the man had to he has advocated for the past two hands resulted, and kissing under the highway when he was struck. the mistletoe was not only permis.

> which the farm bill proposes to continue. President Roosevelt demanded children, grandchildren, uncles, aunts, cousins and guests.

> > There were driving and riding parties in which both ladies and gentlemen took part and much hunt

"In the evening at Christmas, at quotas of the crops involved after at other times, the older people enjoved whist or some other game while the younger ones amused themselves with games and dancing music and singing, sometimes plays,

"I must not forget the 'cooners' on garb who went from house to house Chief crop control provisions of singing carols and receiving in re

"No matter how the evening had ting quotas, if approved by any waltzing, although we had the floor cleared, and father, moth er, young people, and children danc to approval by two-thirds of the ed. Somebody at the piano or som 'Old Black Joe' with his banjo fur

Observe Parking Request A request by the board of tow ners urging local car own 2. Tobacco: Benefit payments or to keep their cars at home during the holiday season is being observed with very few exceptions, a town official said today.

# Mother Driven from Home, Cause Of Slump Children Roam Field for Food

Sheriff C. B. Roebuck arrested and from the fields and persis jailed Eli Bryant, 70 years old. The him to justice.

from their hovel after beating her rented a wagon to make the trip unmercifully, Bryant dared neight to the out of way place through prosperous Christmas this week, rebors to interfered with the children deep mud. whose ages ranged from three to nine years. His wife's return would the law, the mother made her way Agriculture, explaining that tobaccost her her life, the old scoundrel immediately to the home and to her had warned. Indifferent to their children. Their names have been first of this month a total of \$133, welfare, Bryant did nothing to pro. placed along with about 200 others 000,000 or forty-one million more

from the trees. Neighbors, none living very near, were dubious about officer traveled in a wagon four going to the home for Bryant would miles to get the old negro and bring meet them with a loaded rifle. Day after day passed, and finally Running his young wife away case was reported to officers who

vide food for the four children, and on the Christmas Cheer list.

# Thirteenth Life Lost **On County Highways**

## William Hyman, 60, Is Killed Near Oak City Saturday Night

#### Geo. Joyner Exonerated by Coroner's Jury Sunday

The automobile claimed its thireenth life on the highways of this county when William Hyman, 60. year-old colored man, was instantly killed last Saturday night near Oak City within sight of the scene where Christmas Of Old three people, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Davis and their little son, Charles, ere killed just six days before.

Struck by a car driven by Geo Joyner, express messenger on the passenger train operating through here, Hyman was killed instantly now in his 97th year and possibly His head was crushed, one arm torn nearly off and both his legs were

> Joyner, accompanied by Miss Evelyn Anthony and Mrs. Roderick Watts, was traveling toward Scotland Neck. At an inquest held by Coroner S. R. Biggs in Williamston Sunday morning at 11 o'clock, Joyner told the jury that he was driving his new Chevrolet at a moderate speed when he sighted the colored man lying in the road. The man and his clothing blended with the black surface of the road, Joyner explaining that he was right on the ciation, 5.00; A. G. Harrison, 1.00;

It was brought out at the hearing Jesse Whitley, 10.00; E. F. Moseley, that Hyman had been drinking earlier in the evening, that he had fall-The belief was advanced by some

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# LIBRARY DRIVE

tinues, reports stating that the movement is meeting with marked success. Complete re-ports on the drive are not available just now, Mrs. J. C. Cooke, treasurer, stating that the results

leased tomorrow.

It is planned to continue the canvass during the next several weeks, and during the meantime plans will be formulated for the canvast will be formulated. for opening the public library

## Christmas Cheer Fund Totals \$91

The following is an account hose who have contributed to the fund for helping the needy this in need and others have not been several other little known farm proknowledgment will be made later.

To date \$91.00 has been donated

Tom Brandon, 1.00; W. J. Hodge 1.00; Mayor Hassell, 3.00; Rev. J. L. Goff, 1.00: Sheriff Roebuck, 1.00;

Bruce Wynne, 1.00; Bill Spivey, 5.00;

Branch Bank, 5.00; B. and L. Assoman almost before he saw him. "I C. B. Courtney, 250, 10; C. D. 1.00; Wheeler Martin, 1.00; C. D. Christmas was utilized for the busy and happy time among the servants applied my brakes rapidly, causing Carstarphen, 1.00; C. D. Carstarphen, 1.00; D. K. Davis, 10.00; and happy time among the servants known as 'hog-killing time.'

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"One of the state as heard C. Green, 1.00; C. H. Godwin, 1.00;

> members of the jury that Hyman is apparent the money in hand will not care for the needs

# Last Appeal

### (An Editorial)

Appeals, pitiful as can be and disquieting in this section of plenty and the of either of these two crops," Rhodes said, adding that "therefore, ing their cases before the Christmas Joy Campaign workers, and expressing earnest hope that their little children will be remembered this Christmas time. Pathetic falls shorts in describing the pleading heard by the spon sors of the joy movement. At the present time, cash contributions are far from adequate to meet, even in a small way, the actual needs existing in

"Our daddy was killed in an automobile accident on the highway of this county this year. Won't you please remember us?" a family of several children pitifully pleaded last Saturday.

There are nearly 100 people living in this county who receive \$2 or \$3 month, and they live on that amount, plus what a gracious people may be inclined to give them. For them the fast approaching Christmas season is just another period of the year, a period devoid of all hope and happiness.

There are many fatherless homes with many children entirely depend ent upon others. There are those who are mentally deficient, and who are denied a place in institutions. There are those who are afflicted and who bear their sufferings without complaint, hoping against a hope long gone that they may enjoy the blessings that you and I enjoy.

A growing list of appeals is taking form day by day, the list carrying es of nearly 200 little children, not to mention older people who are entirely dependent. Most of the cases are not subject to direct relief.

Sufficient toys have been received, it is believed, to go around, but th people of this community have not responded even half-heartedly with cash contributions, and the last appeal is being made today. If you have not already made a contribution, and if you think it humanly possible to participate, won't you leave a small donation for the cause at The Enterprise office today or turn it over to Rev. E. F. Moseley, fund treasurer?

Pleas for old clothes are also being heard, and while the Joy Camign sponsors did not plan to include the collection and distribution o paign sponsors did not plan to include the collection and distribution of any wearing apparel, the need is so great that the original task has been enlarged. If you have any old clothes that can be spared and you wish to spare them, just call The Enterprise and a messenger will be sent for the building the sponsors.

## **Old Santa Smiles** On East Carolina **Tobacco Farmers**

#### Nearly Five Million Is Paid to Farmers in Martin County

Martin County tobacco farmer along with nearly all other weed growers have good reason to have a ports from W. H. Rhodes, chief sta than they received a year ago.

Nearly 20,000,000 pounds of the leaf were sold in Martin County, the two markets paying out nearly five million dollars

Tobacco is still the king of North Carolina cash crops, bringing farmers more than twice the revenu btained from cotton

In order of their importance as cash-producing crops, based on 1936 returns, North Carolina land produced: (1) Tobacco valued at \$106, 731,000; (2) cotton (lint and seed) valued at \$48,618,000; (3) corn at \$39,562,000; (4) commercial truck at \$14,271,000; (5) hay (all) at \$11. 472,000; (6) potatoes at \$9,877,000; (7) peanuts at \$9,270,000; (8) sweet potatoes at \$6,426,000; (9) wheat at \$5,921,000; (10) apples at \$2,849,000: (11) peaches at \$2,700,000; (12) oats at \$2,230,000; (13) soybeans at \$1, 534,000; (14) strawberries at \$1,453,

000; (15) cabbage at \$1,146,000; (16) espedeza seed at \$1.063.000 (17) orghum for syrup at \$882,000; (18) cowpeas at \$601,000; (19) snapbeans at \$549,000; (20) sorghum for forage at \$504,000, and (21) rye at \$452,000

"Corn, the third most valuable crop, is valued at nearly \$40,000,000 or somewhat less than cotton, but if the tops and fodder value of corn were included, the cash-crop-rating of corn would probably be fully a much as cotton," Rhodes said.

"While tobacco, cotton and corn are distinctly the leaders in the to Christmas Some of these have given | ial production and value of North to other funds or directly to those Carolina farm crops, yet there are seen but will contribute and ac- ducts that rank high in their total values." he added. "For instance, the commercial truck crop is valued at o. c than \$14,000,000

However, adding the value of Irish and sweet potatoes, the commercial truck value would be about \$30,000, 000, or almost the value of the corr grain harvested.

In the aggregate, North Carolina crops for 1936 were worth \$235,000.

authorities, following the crop surveys, pointed out that "the most in tensively cultivated areas in North Carolina follow very closely the distribution of the cotton and tobacco acreage through the eastern and "the distribution of work stock also shows a correlation with the cotton acreage and the cultivated land areas.

"It will be found that the counties in the central Piedmont areas are the most diversified farming sections of the State, as they lie between the intensive cotton and tobacco counties and produce very litmall grains, dairying and live-atome practices prevail.

#### Infant Died Last Week In Washington Hospital

Eula Ann, six-months-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Peel, formerly of this county, died in a Washngton hospital last Wednesday evening from pneumonia. Two sisters. Elsie and Lorene and two brothers, Alvin and LeRoy, survive. The child was the granddaughter of Mrs. H.

B. Peel, of this county. Funeral services were conducte Thursday and burial was in Washngton's Oakdale Cemetery.

#### lamesville Man Charged With Possession Liquor

James Gilmore, Jamesville er ed man, was placed under a \$100 ound after he was arrested at his ome there last Thursday evening or the illegal possession of liquor