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Receiving Points

In Three County

Price Outlook Encouraging:

Top of 4 to 4 1-2 Is

Predicted

Despite a heavy production to the

outh of here, the price outlook for

considered encouraging, according to

unofficial reports coming from the

markets on the eve of the season's

opening. Some have predicted that

the fancy stock will command as

high as four to four and one-half

ents on the open markets. There is

very little of the fancy type in this

section, however, and local produc-

tion is considerably below that of a

year ago. A preliminary study of the

crop estimates and the price trend

points to a fairly successful season

peanut farmers in this county.

Carolina Peanut Stabilization Coop-

erative, has been arranged, guaran-

eeing a minimum price for peanuts.

Inofficial reports state that quality

will enter into the price situation to

mers Warehouse), and the Planters

Class B, \$66 per ton; Class C, \$61

per ton. U. S. No. 2, Class A, \$67,

3. Class A, \$65 per ton; Class B, \$61;

Class C, \$56 per ton.

greater extent than last year, and

A stabilizing force, the North

North Carolina peanuts is

Towns This Year

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Williamston, Martin County, North Carolina, Tuesday, November 1, 1938.

Large Number Civil Williamston Tobacco Market Closes Fairly Farmers Complete Peanut Storage Houses Cases Set For Trial Successful Season on Friday of This Week Election of District AAA Committees To Open Next Monday

Two Weeks Term Convenes November 21 for Civil **Cases** Only

Fifty-four cases have been placed on the calendar for consideration in the Martin County Superior Court when it convenes a two weeks term on November 21. Judge William Hyslop Sumner Burgwyn, of Jackson, is scheduled to preside over the term which will limit its work to the trial of civil cases.

At least one sizeable damage suit is included in the list of fifty-four cases, but the docket, as a whole, is crowded with minor actions, members of the county bar expressing the belief that much of the litigation will be cleared from the calendar during the term that is scheduled to last until the day before Thanksgiv-

The case of Edna Lee Mizelle, young Martin County white girl, against the Norfolk Southern Bus Corporation and J. T. White, bus driver for the firm, is again scheduled for trial. This case was called several months ago in the courts of this county, but a transfer was ordered to the federal courts. A voluntary non-suit was taken by the plaintiff through her next friend, J. P. Holliday, and the case was slightly changed to bring it into the courts of this county again.

The plaintiff, traveling from Norfolk to her home near Jamesville last December 13, alleges that White, the bus driver, gave her a cool drink that contained some foreign substance, that she was rendered unconscious. She also alleges that the bus driver carried her through Jamesville, her destination, and on to Columbia. Without money or friends, the plaintiff further alleges that the bus driver carried her to a Columbia hotel and got her a room The complaint also maintains that the defendant White later went to her room and while she was still un- Of Doubtful Parentage, the der the influence of some dope and at the point of a pistol assaulted her The plaintiff is asking \$25,000 ac-

tual and \$25,000 punitive damages. The K. G. Strawbridge case against J. B. Cherry is on the calendar for trial the first day. The plaintiff maintains that he and the de- Williamston, officers would not say. fendant agreed to buy a building. There were other illegitimate chilthat he, the plaintiff, agreed to give dren born about the same time, to the defendant a deed of trust to secure one-half interest in the building, that the defendant bought the low has blazed a trail of his own, building and later refused to sur- and is possibly a shining example render title to one-half interest in the property when the plaintiff offered to pay for his share.

Sheriff C. B. Roebuck and S. H. Grimes are defendants in an old time he made his appearance in the son. The plaintiff alleges that a warrant was sent here from Pitt County for his arrest in July, 1928, that he put up a gold watch and a diamond ring to support a bond of 3300. After he was sent here from of the county meeting part of the county meeting suit started in 1936 by W. M. Sitter-\$300. After he was exonerated in a part of the expense incurred in Pitt County justice court, the plain- placing the waif in a home. tiff alleged that he asked the re-

(Continued on page six)

will close the season on Friday of this week, operators pointing out that the market has had a fairly successful year considering curtailed production and quality of the crop. "When those two factors are considered, we

might say that the market has had an unusually successful season," one of the operators said this morning. A preliminary review of the market activities shows that approximately 6,300,000 pounds of

tobacco have been sold here this year as compared with approximately a fraction over eight million pounds last season. The

PAYING UP

Martin County farmers, bor

rowing approximately \$20,000

from the seed-feed loan last

spring, have retired about 90

per cent of their obligations,

The record was described as

county and one of the best

Roy Hearne, district representa-

tive, said this week.

this season

20 cents, a figure that will compare favorably with the average for the belt considering the quality of tobacco offered here this year.

"Prices," one warehouseman pointed out, "will compare favorably with those received last year when quality is considered." Some dissatisfaction was heard from those growers who raised premium tobacco. While they received prices considerably above the average, it is an admitted fact that prices for the better grades were lower and prices for the inferior grades were higher than they were a

Democrats Plan Brief Martin Farmers To

Sales are comparatively light today, and warehousemen are of the opinion that not more than one farmer out of a hundred will have any tobacco left for sale after next Friday.

In announcing the closing on that date, Williamston warehousemen express their appreciation for the loyal patronage accorded them this season. "We have had an up-hill fight all right, but the good will of the Williamston market has been expanded and hundreds of new patrons have been gained during the season," the sales supervisor, Henry Johnson, explain-

Ballot On Control

Plan Next Month

Delegates Will Elect the **County Committee** Today

Completing the election of their district committeemen last evening in Williams Township, Martin County farmers through their represen tatives will this afternoon at two o'clock name the county committee to administer the 1939 soil conservation program for 1939. Nine dele gates have been elected in the dis tricts to name the county commit tee which can be selected from their own number or from the group of committeemen elected in the district meetings. Members of the old committee are Messrs. Jesse Crisp, R. Winslow and L. A. Clark

Reviewing the district elections officials in the county agent's of fice found a few irregular votes cast by farmers who are not participat-The Agricultural Adjustment Ad-1 ing in the soil conservation program ministration announced last week Only one minor change followed the that preliminary plans were being check-up of votes, J. A. Gardner suc made for the holding of referenda ceeding P. J. Modlin as first alter nate in the district committee group A complete line-up of community

ommitteemen is listed below, the names of the delegate and alternate to the county convention, the chair man, vice chairman of the commun

ity committee, regular member and

following in order by districts: Jamesville: J. L. Knowles and Arthur Modlin: J. L. Knowles, Arthur Modlin and C. C. Martin; J. A. Gardner and B. F. Lilley.

Williams: Daniel and R J. Hardion; R. J. Hardison, C. L. Damel and O. S. Green; Joshua L. Coltrain and L. D. Hardison. Griffins: George C. Griffin and L.

H. Roberson; George C. Griffin, J Gurkin and Asa J. Hardison; A. program. C. Roberson and L. H. Roberson. Bear Grass: W. M. Harrison and

J. D. Wynne and Sidney Beacham; E.C. Harrison and B.F. Whitehurst.

R. Peel and S. C. Griffin; Mayo Hardison; John R. Peel and J. W. Gurkin; V. G. Taylor and S. C. Griffin Cross Roads: L. A. Clark and H. L. Roebuck; W. L. Ausbon, H. L. Roebuck and L. A. Clark; H. D. Peel and

Marion Griffin Robersonville: J. R. Winslow and T. Everett; Reuben S. Everett, J. R. Daniel and J. R. Winslow; A. R.

Oshorne and S. T. Everett. Hamilton, D. R. Edmondson and C. L. Nelson, D. R. Edmondson, C. ness, economic government through ow Purvis and K. B. Etheridge.

Mizelle, J. F. Crisp, H. A. Earley and J. C. Ross; W. Z. Wilson and L. H. Hux

For Memberships

Fewer people are believed to have registered for the November 8 election in this county than for any other similar contest in years, incomplete reports from the 12 precincts indicating that less than a dozen people entered their names on the books during the past three weeks.

FEW REGISTER

Griffins, Poplar Point and Hassell precincts each reported one new elector. Williamston had two to register. Bear Grass three, and Cross Roads none. The registration indicates

that not more than 2,000 votes will be cast in the county next Tuesday.

State Grange Asks **Revisions Be Made** In Farm Programs

Other Resolutions Passed By Farm Group in Oxford

farmers are urged to exercise every Simplification of the 1938 farm act precaution to see that their peanuts first alternate and second alternate to make it "suitable and workable" are properly handled. was asked by the North Carolina Grange last week as resolutions from

Three receiving points Roberson ville, Hamilton and Williamston 75 subordinate Granges were sifted will be maintained by the cooperaby committees which reported at tive this year, and the houses will the session of the Grange's annual open for deliveries next Monday, it neeting in Oxford.

Other resolutions accepted by hamston Storage Company (Farthe grange called for repeal of the absentee ballot law and legislative Warehouse will handle deliveries in appropriation of adequate funds for Williamston; the Robersonville Storan enlarged marketing and research age Company at Robersonville, and

the Rhodes Storage Company, Ham-Another resolution favored the ilton, will receive the crop in this establishment of AAA quotas and county Sidney Beacham; William Harrison, allotments for individual cotton and

The following official announce tobacco growers before a referen- ment was released this week by the dum is held. stabilization cooperative: The grange also recommended that

"All approved and designated Williamston-Poplar Point: John markets, foreign and domestic, be warehouses for the purchase of peaprotected and that a study be made nuts for the Peanut Stabilization Coof tobacco marketing with a view of operative. Incorporated, will be attempting a solution of "the prob- opened on Monday morning, Novemlems of fairer means of selling." ber 7th and ready to buy farmers' The grange called for strict enstock peanuts grown in 1938 at Govforcement of the state seed law; tax ernment schedule prices under the relief under the homestead exemp. peanut program that has been antion amondments; a change in the nounced by the Agricultural Adjustincome tax laws; amendment of the ment Administration. The schedule driving license law to provide sus- of prices to be paid by Peanut Stapension of one's driving license bilization Cooperative, Incorporated, upon conviction of public drunken- for Virginia type peanuts follows: U. S. No. 1, Class A, \$70 per ton

L. Nelson and J. H. Lillard; Wood- elimination of overlapping activities; increased financial aid for the pro-Goose Nest: J. C. Ross and Julian gram of the state board and the state Class B, \$63; Class C, \$58. U. S. No. department of agriculture; government policies looking to the prevention of the sale of materials to ag-

"Farmers are urged not to pick gressor nations for war purpses; and their peanuts before they are thorcontinuation of Bang's disease oughly dry, green or damp peanuts will not be bought for the account control work. Also continuation and extension of the association. There is no oc-

of the soil conservation program; casion to rush peanuts to the asso larger appropriations for the North ciation as the price schedule will not arohna experiments stations and change during the marketing for agricultural research with a son and there will be ample time view of establishing new uses and for delivery of peanuts to the association. Rush movements of peanuts to the association will cause Four Local Young Men congestion, inconvenience and loss of time. Farmers are asked to make In Auto Wreck Friday appointment for delivery of their Edwin Holding suffered painful peanuts for the account of the assoinjuries to his shoulders and back better grading and receiving serciation. Such practices will ensure ice at the warehouse

Itimous T. Valentine To Speak In County among the producers of cotton, fluecured tobacco and rice on December Courthouse Friday 10, and among producers of burley tobacco and dark fire and air-cured tobacco on December 17 to determine whether producers of these commodities for the 1939-40 marketing year. The holding of the referendum on Martin County Democratic Party upon the supply of the commodity any such commodity is conditioned

justment act of 1938. The Secrefor the next Tuesday election. In tary of Agriculture will announce fact, only one political speech has his findings with respect to supplies been scheduled, E. S. Peel, chairman of cotton and rice prior to Novemof the county democratic executive ber 15, and with respect to the sevcommittee, announcing that the Hon Itimous T. Valentine, of Nashville, cember 1. and with respect to the sev-eral kinds of tobacco, prior to Det cember 1

The above announcements are in courthouse Friday evening of this accordance with the conclusions The speaker, prominent eastern growers and department officials reached at a conference between Carolina attorney and candidate for here earlier in the week. Although the judgeship last June in this, the no formal announcement will be second district, is well known in made in advance of the secretary's Martin County, and it is predicted announcement of findings, the fluethat Democrats from all over , the cured tobacco quota is expected to approximate 750 million pounds, the same as the amount of the 1938 quomake an instructive and interesting ta as finally revised.

An amendment to the 1938 cotton loan program to provide an additional allowance of 65 cents per With no contests near the voters bale on cotton wrapped in cotton in this section, a comparatively small covering was announced by the di-vote is predicted for next Tuesday agreements of the U.S. Department

est has been shown in the campaign of Agriculture. The amendment has to date, and about the only activity been approved by the Commodity has been centered around the pro- Credit Corporation. posed amendment to the constitu-| Cotton bagging weighs 7 1-2 tion giving sheriffs and coroners a pounds less than ordinary bagging four year term. But even the activity For any particular gross weight a

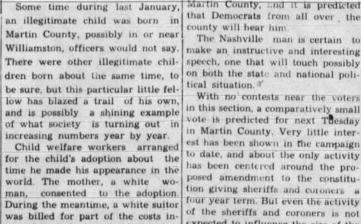
of the sheriffs and coroners is not cotton covered bale contains that expected to influence the size of the additional poundage of lint cotton. vote very much, the old political ob- The additional allowance of 65 cents ervers stating that hardly 2,000 per bale for cotton covered bales Library Working

otes will be cast next Tuesday in reflects approximately the value of this county. Two years ago, more the additional 7 1-2 pounds of lint

Nine Months Old Waif Target Of A Cruel, Cold World week at 8 o'clock

Campaign In County

Brat Is Now Inmate in County Home

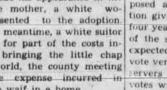


months ago when the child's color participated in the general election. Cotton is sold locally in the Unit-

county will hear him. The Nashville man is certain to speech, one that will touch possibly on both the state and national political situation.

of what society is turning out in increasing numbers year by year. world. The mother, a white

Child welfare workers arranged for the child's adoption about the

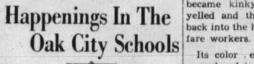


Everything went well until a few than 4,500 Martin County electors cotton in the bale



chalked up in eastern Carolina

will address the voters in the county



school sponsored a Womanless Wed- fellow homeless. Another delivery ding last Friday night for the bene- on approval was made, but the little small. fit of the Junior-Senior banquet. brat failed to stick, and a short time After the performance, hot dogs and ago he landed in the county home. Radio Skit Scares drinks were served to members of Named "Parker," the little waif is the cast.

Coach McCracken and his lively certain. bunch of players are lining up for the basketball season. He would like to get in touch with any school of equal standing in basketball for a schedule of games.

The P. T. A. will hold its regular meeting Tuesday night at 7:30 in the school auditorium. Mrs. I. A. Ward, district director of the P. T. A. will be the speaker. Mass meeting for the day, and while he may still get there parents and interested friends.

The Seniors are planning to attend the football game at the University of North Carolina on High School Senior Day, Nov. 5th.

The Woodman of the World is sponsoring a musical comedy Wednesday night at 7:30 in school auditorium. It is coached by Miss Ruth Mingle of the Triangle Producing Co., Greensboro.

pards,

Attendance is back to normal again after the two weeks of work courts, Officer Roebuck said. digging peanuts. Cotton is very short in this community and will be lon capacity liquor still and pour- it is claimed that several people died no worry in picking, since most of ed out 46 gallons of liquor and ap- of heart trouble. One is said to have it is already out,

started turning, and its bits of hair became kinky. The foster parents the State indicate that Charlie Jon-For exportation, however, cotton is vice to the town of Williamston and yelled and threw the little fellow as is running Bob Reynolds a fairly commonly sold on a net weight ba-the community, the Williamston back into the hands of the child wel-close race there for United States sis. When sold on a gross weight ba-Public Library, in order to continue Senator. The Democrats there are sis the tare is fixed rigidly.

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 its high standard of efficiency, will ask the populace of the town to pur

 Its color . established, the child
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still parked there, his fate far from

It was by a turn of fate that the little fellow failed to get into the G. Well's weird stories, "War of additional lint content of bales wrapthe Worlds," caused great excite- ped in cotton. down in South Carolina. An abrupt ment among radio listeners throughchange in the child welfare office out the nation last Sunday evening Legion Auxiliary Will between 8 and 9 o'clock.

The skit was made to appear so rangements had been made to transreal that several Williamston listeners are said to have had chills and building of the gymnasium will be held. Refreshments served to all with the served for the serve with some good family nearer home his grips and made ready to move Mesdames J. H. Ayers and Betty some how some time. to the country. Bob Taylor, the bar- Barnhill will be hostesses

Arrest Three At Still

ber, said a foreign country heard the stories and wired the U.S. that Yesterday Afternoon it would lend assistance if neces-

sary Three men, Hubert Perry, W. B. According to the story, giants Peel and Charles E. Ward, charged from another planet landed on with manufacturing illicit liquor, Earth and started a march of death were arrested along the Martin-in and around New Jersey and New

Beaufort boundary line yesterday York. The radio broadcasters, eye afternoon by Officer J. H. Roebuck witnessing the "destruction" gave Report cards have gone out for the first time this year. The lateness and officers from Washington. The minute accounts, the listeners failing is due to the delayed arrival of the three men were turned over to the to hear the explanation describing Beaufort authorities and the cases the presentation as being bases

will likely be placed in the federal merely upon a Wells story. People in New York are said to The raiders wrecked the 100-gal- have evacuated certain districts, and

proximately 1,500 gallons of beer. attempted suicide.

east to make sure that any gains should be made for the additional tion. These memberships will sell for one dollar and up. Practically the

bales. To date, mills operating ap- entire sum contributed last Decemproximately 9 1-2 mlilion spindles ber has been used for books, aside Many Local People to be made by the Commodity Cred-it Comportation on loan cotton recogthe light consumed.

nizes the growing practice of mills

Hold Meeting Saturday

the American Legion Auxiliary will were forced to their beds. One citi- be held Saturday afternoon in the

QUIET

Quietness surrounded the several law enforcement agencies in this county during the past week or ten days, the office of the county sheriff reporting only three persons jailed during the period. "It has been quieter in and around the jail during the past two week-ends than at any otehr time so far this year, including the summer slump," Jailer Roy Peel said.

About three weeks ago, eightcen persons were placed in the county jall during one week-end. markets for farm products.

have agreed individually to make from the furnishings, insurance and was driving turned over about ten

the library's proportionate share in miles this side of Raleigh and burned. The young local man, employee

Williamston is particularly proud of the Harrison Wholesale Company, The dramatization of one of H and murchants to give credit for the made in the distribution of books reports stating that he will hardly and the number of folks who have be able to leave the institution with read papers and magazines. Mem- in a week or ten days.

bers of the North Carolina State George Harrison, Jr., owner of the Library Commission have praised car, Ralph Taylor and "Skillet" agricultural program in this State, the work of the librarian and the Long, companions of Holding on the The regular monthly meeting of library worker along with the choice trip home from the Clemson-Wake next Saturday morning at 11 o'clock of titles and the geneal atmosphere Forest football game in Wake For- in Memorial Auditorium, Raleigh, of the reading room. est; were bruised but not badly hurt.

In lieu of this fine record and the The driver lost control of the car madge, of Georgia, will address a desire that the library service may when he was forced off the hard- gathering of farmers.

be extended the library board is surface while passing a freight asking that the public underwrite truck. this forward program and make available good literature for the No Developments In reading public of our town.

Everett Killing Case

Colored Woman Is Hurt No developments have taken place In Wreck At Everetts in the Monroe Everett killing, according to reports heard here today

Lucy Teel, colored, was painfully cut on the face when the automobile were released driven by "Best" Purvis, colored, Everett was found dead in the turned over in Everetts yesterday back seat of his car, near Tarboro afternoon at 3 o'clock. Purvis was a week ago last Sunday night. ot hurt, but his car was wrecked.

Mrs. John Mizelle, about 70 years The driver was said to have started to pass a car, saw that he could old, continues critically ill in a checks are expected in the county not clear a machine meeting him Washington hospital following an within the next few days, estimates and turned back to the right and operation for appendicitis there sev- placing th total payments in excess ran into the ditch. eral days ago.

Talmadge To Speak Against Control Bill

Anti-crop control forces are launching a campaign against the and will fire one of their big guns where former Governor Eugene Tal-

"We are planning for a tremendous crowd of farmers," H. I. Coburn, chairman of the anti-control forces in this State has not been really determined. It is likely that the Raleigh meeting will centralize their following. Few Martin Coun-

ty farmers are expected to attend

the meeting.

Three men, held for investigation, Continue To Make Cotton Price Adjustment Payments

> More than 1,500 checks, representing \$37,273.65, have been received in this county for cotton farmers. Several hundred additional of \$40,000.