

## Williamston Leaf Mart Ranks Near Top In Prices Paid

### Prices Here Are the Third Highest in Belt To November 1

All this talk about tobacco prices being higher on some other markets apparently is all wrong according to an official report released last Saturday by the State and Federal crop reporting agencies. All the markets, the report shows, were about in line with Williamston holding a commanding place with the third highest price average in this belt. Considering the quality of the crop, the prices received on the Williamston market during the season ending November 4 are really stronger than the actual figures would indicate.

Tobacco warehouses in North Carolina had sold 429,424,948 pounds of producers' tobacco at an average of \$23.36 per hundred pounds by November 1, according to the report. Last year 440,670,029 pounds had been sold by November 1 at an average of \$25.43 per hundred pounds. Thus, the prices received this year by producers are shown to be \$2.07 per hundred less than the average received to November 1 last year.

During October, 164,342,473 pounds of producers' leaf were marketed, averaging \$25.23, compared with last October producers' sales amounting to 206,486,593 pounds, at an average of \$28.40 per hundred. The total sales, including dealers' and warehouse resales, amounted to 184,380,781 pounds, compared with the total sales for last October of 229,828,145 pounds.

On November 1, the State-Federal crop reporting service estimated that the state would produce 535,825,000 pounds of tobacco in 1938. The producers' sales to date represent approximately 80 per cent of this amount. Warehouses are reported to be closing earlier than last season.

Producers' sales to November 1 by belts were reported as follows: Old Bright Belt, Type 11, 114,461,747 pounds, average \$23.37, compared with 101,060,668 pounds sold last year. The New Bright Belt, Type 12, had sold 231,125,843 pounds at an average of \$23.50, compared with 249,913,605 pounds sold last year. The Border Belt, Type 13, had sold 83,837,358 pounds at an average of \$22.95, compared with 89,695,756 pounds sold last year to November first.

The preliminary estimate of the crop produced by belts as estimated on November 1 is reported as follows: Type 11, 270,640,000 pounds, compared with 261,900,000 pounds produced last year; Type 12, 263,500,000 pounds, compared with 305,250,000 pounds produced last year; Type 13, 64,350,000 pounds, compared with 71,905,000 pounds produced last year. The Burley crop, produced in the western mountain counties was estimated on November 1, at 8,775,000 pounds, compared with this same estimate for the crop produced last year.

Weather conditions throughout the state have been variable during the past season, but conditions during harvest have been favorable.

	Pounds	Aver.
Ahoskie	3,034,376	23.05
Farmville	15,787,922	23.62
Goldsville	7,459,647	23.37
Greenville	43,514,191	23.86
Kinston	35,333,774	22.71
Robersonville	6,107,084	23.19
Rocky Mount	39,909,244	23.18
Smithfield	7,800,098	22.06
Tarboro	3,853,198	23.34
Wallace	3,671,174	21.51
Washington	3,504,610	22.85
Williamston	6,228,526	23.65
Wilson	54,921,999	24.35
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>231,125,843</b>	<b>23.50</b>

## Farm Bureau To Hold Picnic Supper Friday

The Martin County Farm Bureau is planning a barbecue supper in the America Legion hut Friday evening of this week at 6:30 o'clock for its membership of more than 100 farmers.

## Revival Is Underway At The Bessemer Church

A revival conducted by Miss Effie Poland, of Elm City, began last night at the Bessemer Church and will continue through Sunday, November 20th.

## Review Committee Receives Leaf Allotment Complaints

Meeting in the agricultural building here yesterday morning, a special committee named by Secretary of Agriculture Henry A. Wallace heard eleven farmers appeal for increased tobacco marketing allotments. Twenty complaints had been filed with the office of the county agent for consideration at the hearing, but nine farmers did not appear to prosecute their claims.

## EXTENSION

Prospects for saving a \$124,000 general improvement program here were considered more favorable today when it was learned the Public Works Administration will consider a 30-day extension for completing plans necessary in executing the project.

## Henry C. Donaldson, Young Farmer, Dies

Henry Cecil Donaldson, young farmer, died suddenly at the home of his parents on the old Joe Whitaker farm in Williamston Township early last Thursday morning. He was found dead in bed, death apparently striking several hours before members of the family found the lifeless body cold. The young man, a native of Bertie County, had been sick for ten days or two weeks. He was said to have taken a dose of calomel just a short time before he died, reports indicating that possibly his appendix ruptured and death was the result of peritonitis. However, a doctor called to the young man's bedside last Wednesday, did not consider his condition critical.

The young man, the son of L. R. and Nola William Donaldson, was born near Lewiston, on November 19, 1920. He had made his home in this county for several years. Funeral services were conducted last Friday afternoon at the home by Rev. Z. T. Piephoff, Presbyterian minister. Interment was in the family burial ground in Bertie County.

## Representatives Of Veterans Bureau Here

Colonel Graham K. Hobbs, and Captain Charles H. Burnett, of the Veterans' Bureau, were here today from Raleigh in the interest of veterans' claims.

## Special Program at Everetts Christian Church Friday

The young people of the Bear Grass community will present a program in Everetts Christian Church Friday night at 7:15 o'clock, after which a Christian Endeavor will be organized for the Everetts Church. Rev. J. O. Taylor and Garland Bland will deliver short addresses and Rev. J. M. Perry will give the welcoming address. The public is cordially invited to attend.

## POSTER CONTEST

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## Map Plans Today For Crop Control Program In State

Meeting in Wilson today, five organizations—North Carolina State Farm Bureau, State Bankers' Association, Fertilizer Association, Eastern Carolina Warehousemen's Association, and Merchants' Association—are mapping plans for a campaign in support of the crop control program. All the organizations are well represented at the meeting, a report stating that the entire executive committee of the Farm Bureau is present to offer aid in formulating plans for the drive.

## Showboat Riding The Waves Again

"The Floating Theatre," the original as far as show boats go, is again riding the waves after resting on the bottom of the Roanoke, a few miles below Jamesville, for almost a week. The boat, grounded in thirteen feet of water when a log ripped a sizeable hole in its bow, was floated late last Saturday. Attached to three tugs, the floating theatre was towed to Elizabeth City Sunday for reconditioning.

## Recovers Old War Relic From River

Fishing his lines in the Roanoke River just off the Norfolk, Baltimore and Carolina wharf, Haywood Cherry, Jr., recovered an old Civil War muzzle-loading gun last week. Believed to have been thrown into the water during the Civil war, the old relic is in a bad state of repair. Rust has eaten away the trigger, but the stock, unusually small at the time of manufacture, is fairly well preserved. The hammer, little touched by rust, occupies a prominent position on top of the old weapon. No marks of identification can be found, but it is said to be of the type used principally by the Confederates during the War between the States.

## Advance Plans For Gym At Oak City

Attendance is off a little due to picking peanuts. Principal H. M. Ainsley attended the Teachers' Annual Convention in Greenville Saturday.

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## Highly Respected Citizen Passes At Home of Daughter

### Funeral Services For Mrs. W. T. Hunter Here This Afternoon

Mrs. Della Peebles Hunter, highly respected local citizen and member of a prominent Pitt County family, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Joseph Godard, on Marshall Avenue here last evening at 7:45 o'clock following a long period of declining health. Uremic poison and complications were the ultimate cause of her death.

The daughter of the late John and Caroline W. Peebles, Mrs. Hunter was born in Pitt County 78 years ago. When a young woman she married John Gay, a daughter, Mrs. Joseph Godard surviving the union. She later married Mr. W. T. Hunter who preceded her in death a short time ago. One son, Jack W. Hunter, of Greensboro, survives this union.

About twenty-five years ago, Mr. and Mrs. Hunter moved to Williamston to make their home, and during that time they gained the high respect and friendship of the people in their adopted community. Mrs. Hunter, when a young girl, joined the Methodist church, and during the intervening years she remained a devout church woman, entertaining a beautiful faith that made her life stand out as one clothed in Christ-like character. She was a good woman and her life was marked by its understanding and nobleness. She valued high ideals, and in her walk through life she never faltered in support of those ideals. Throughout her life she found peace and contentment in following and living the principles laid down by her Maker. Aside from a firm, religious devotion, Mrs. Hunter's life was characterized by its gentle touch, hosts of friends welcoming comforting words imparted by an understanding heart.

Funeral services are being conducted at the home this afternoon at three o'clock by her pastor, Dr. S. A. Maxwell, of the local Methodist church. Interment will follow in the family plot in the local cemetery.

## Draw Jurymen For Court in December

Jurymen for the one-week term of Martin County Superior Court were drawn by the commissioners in session Monday. Judge Walter J. Bone, of Nashville, is scheduled to preside over the term convening on December 12. While the court places both criminal and civil cases on the docket, the tribunal generally limits its work to the trial of criminal actions.

## Church Group In Meet Here Today

Attended by representatives of churches throughout northeastern North Carolina, the Convocation of Edenton brings several well-known churchmen and churchwomen and speakers for the one-day session program here today.

## Slightly Injured In Auto Accident Here

Miss Flora Swanson, of Dardens, was painfully bruised but not seriously hurt when the car in which she was riding with her sister and two young men, Edward Lee Martin and James Ange, struck a car, jumped the curb and sidewalk and almost landed in the home of Adeline Duggan here on West Main Street early Sunday morning. Miss Swanson suffered a knee injury.

## Crime Front Quiet In County Last Week-end

The crime front in Martin County last week-end was marked for its quietness, the sheriff's office reporting only three arrests from Friday to Monday.

## Cotton Raising Costs More In N. C. Than Other States

Of the principal cotton producing states, the cost per acre in North Carolina is more than any other state, reports the N. C. Department of Agriculture. On the other hand, the cost per pound is lower than

## Tuberculosis Survey Completed in County

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### Extensive Survey Is Certain To Mean Much To This County

Seventeen per cent of the Martin County school children show some signs of tuberculin infections, according to the findings of an extensive survey just recently completed in the white and colored schools by the county health department. The findings are not alarming, but they should not be treated lightly. Additional tests and examinations will be made, and it is agreed that the extensive survey is certain to mean much to the county in its drive to reduce the number of cases and tuberculosis deaths each year.

### Examining 2,160 White Children, Health Authorities Found 149 or 13 per cent showing positive tuberculin reactions. Of the 659 colored children examined, the health authorities found infection in 235 or more than one out of every three on an average.

Commenting on the tuberculosis situation, the head of the Martin County Health Department said: "Tuberculosis kills about one out of every seven young men and about one out of every four girls. It still remains as the first cause of death in young people between fifteen and forty-five years of age. Ten or fifteen years ago a positive diagnosis was either a death sentence or a sentence to bed for the remainder of the patient's life. Naturally, under such conditions, people attempted to conceal their infection as long as possible.

"Now we know, however, that when tuberculosis is discovered in its early stages, it is usually easily arrested, and very frequently without much interference with one's daily work and habits.

"The purpose of any program against tuberculosis should be, first, to find the tuberculosis cases and see that they are properly treated and, second, to see that those who have not been infected never get the disease.

## Green Wave Holds Favored Plymouth

Friday afternoon on the local gridiron the Williamston Green Wave upset the dope by holding the Plymouth Panthers to a scoreless tie. Plymouth was heavily favored when the teams went on the field, but the locals played a superior brand of ball to give them an edge throughout the affair.

## P. T. A. Will Meet Next Wednesday Afternoon

An excellent program has been arranged for the November meeting of the parents and teachers which will be held in the grammar school auditorium next Wednesday afternoon at 3:30. Mrs. Coates, instructor in primary education at Eastern Carolina Teachers College, will speak on "Reading Problems," a topic which will be of interest to all. A collection of posters submitted by students in the Book Week Poster contests will be exhibited with a number of new books recently purchased for the public library. The program will be featured also by the appearance of the high school glee club which will sing several numbers.

## TAX SALE

Offering for sale 130 delinquent town tax accounts, Collector W. B. Daniel went begging for bidders at noon yesterday. Finding none, the collector declared the town buyer of all the accounts. It was one of the few times, if not the only time in recent years that an individual did not buy a single one of the accounts.

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