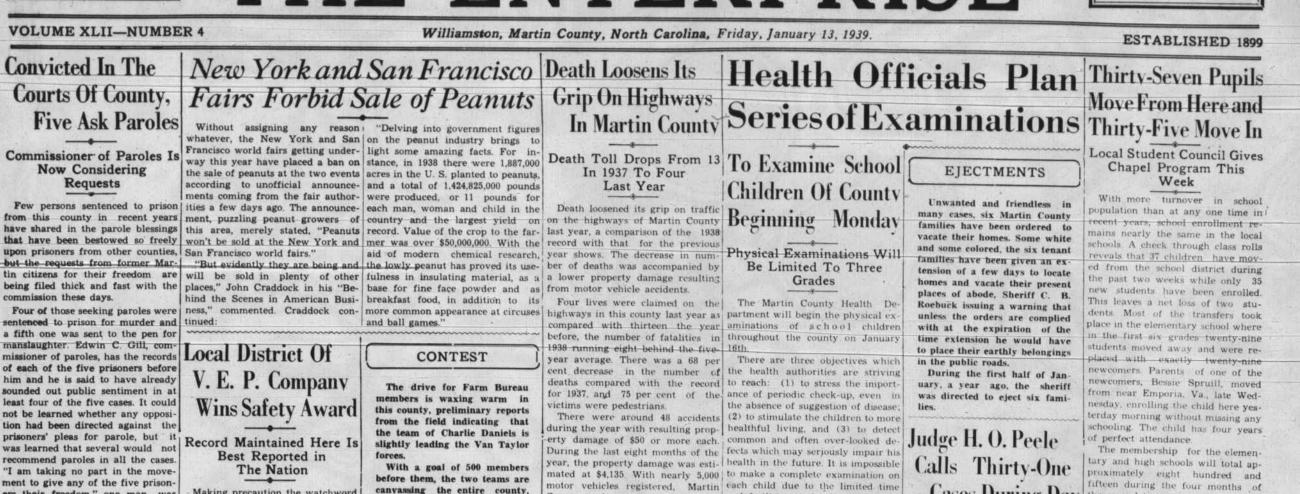
THE ENTERPRISE Advertisers Will Find Our Col-umns a Latchkey to over 1,600 Homes of Martin County.

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ert Coltrain, young boy who

three victims were pedestrians.

Guaranty Closes

While Martin County reported

whole, reported a decrease of only

Out of a total of 2,375 shares of

Bank & Trust company, 1,832 were

the institution since 1912.

date of the preceding year.

recommend paroles in all the cases "I am taking no part in the movement to give any of the five prisoners their freedom," one man was quoted as saying. "I am expressing no opposition, but at the same time I am not placing myself on record as recommending a parole in any of the cases," he added. The commission's letter went unanswered in that case.

Sentenced to serve from three to five years in prison for hit-and-run driving and manslaughter. James Moore, colored, is seeking a parole. Moore ran down and killed Robert Coltrain, white youth, on Williamslast year, and was sentenced to prisreports that Moore has made a splenoner operated a truck between Raleigh and the State farm at Caledonia

Phoebe Moore, colored woman who shot and killed Sam Simmons, colored man, here in July, 1934, is the second of the five prisoners applying for a parole. Sentenced to prison for twenty years, she will not likely return to this county if she is given her freedom, Gill pointed out in a letter to Sheriff C. B. Roebuck

Old Man Joe Davenport, the old codger who shot and killed his wife in 1934, wants to come back to Martin County after serving four and one-half years of his 15-20 year sentence. Frank Cox, convicted of the cold-

blooded murder of Farmer Henry Jolly in Cross Roads Township ten years ago, has his application on file for a parole.

Joe Wheeler James, colored man who was sentenced to prison for twenty years back in September, 1934, for the murder of Will Worley, is also anxious to have the governor smile on him and grant him a parole

Making precaution the watchword in its operations day in and day out, the Williamston district of the Virgina Electric and Power Company last year earned the company's annual safety award for the third time and led the entire industry in the prevention of accidents.

Winning the award for the first time in 1934, the Williamston district of the company next gained recognition for its accident prevention work in 1937 when the employees scored a perfect safety record. The Dies At Home Here ton's Main Street on February 19, record was maintained last year, and by winning the award three times, on last March. Commissioner Gill the district is to receive a handsome bronze wall plate in recognition of did record, that during much of the the care exercised by the large list time he has been in prison, the pris-1 of employees in handling the company's work. It is one of the few cases in the history of the company where a district has earned a bronze plate bearing out an unusual safe-

ty record. 1932, the district office employees have worked a total of 453,713 man hours without a lost-time accident. Last year the company's cars and truck were driven 276.648 miles dick Roberson and Acna Roberson, without an accident of any kind.

out the nation a few years ago, the Virginia Electric and Power Company as a whole, forged into first dick Warren. She also leaves two place with its safety record last year. sisters, Mrs. Fannie Mizelle, of Since the V. E. P. system led the Beaufort County, and Mrs Rome entire nation, the district office here Rogers, of Bear Grass; and two bro-

leading the company in 1938. Home Is Destroyed Mrs. Warren, a thoughtful wife

Fire, said to have started from a Fire, said to have started from a spark on the roof, destroyed the two-story country home of Mr. Jas. A. Roberson in the Farm Life section of Griffins Township about one in the family had made their home in Wil-

before them, the two teams are canvassing the entire county, and while the drive proves disheartening at times, the canvassers are making progress, it was learned. At the end of three weeks, the

team procuring the most members will be guests of the losers at a supper.

Mrs. Joseph Warren

Funeral Service To Be Held At Rosen of Sharon in Bear Grass

Mrs. Joseph Warren, highly respected local citizen, died at her 68 per cent decrease in its highway home on North Haughton Street last deaths for 1938, the State, as a evening at 8:30 o'clock following a stroke of paralysis suffered last 20 per cent. Tuesday afternoon. Apparently en-Since locating here in October, joying good health, Mrs. Warren was taken ill suddenly and never re gained consciousness following the paralytic attack. The daughter of the late W. Rid-

Holding sixth place among other ship 53 years ago. In 1920 she was she was born in Bear Grass Towncompanies in the industry through- married to Joseph Warren, of this county, and he survives with two sons, Joseph, Jr., and Henry Redhas every reason to feel proud of thers, Messrs. William Alfred Roberson, of Williamston, and Tommie

Roberson, of Bear Grass. and a devoted mother, was a mem-By Fire At Farm Life will Baptist church in Bear Grass Township for a long number of years. She was a loyal follower of

mmon

notor vehicles registered. Martin each child due to the limited time and facilities at the disposal of the County made one of the best safety records in this section of the State department.

The purpose of carrying out phy Patrolman W. S. Hunt pointed out. During the past five years, fifty sical examinations in school children hight lives have been lost in high is not to teach the children and their parents to turn to the school as the The names of those falling victim source of all health guidance and last year to the modern system of council. This would be assuming a burden in the school far too great transportation are as follows: Robkilled on Williamston's West Main ness and health, physical defects he imposed fines totaling \$450 and Street; Delmar James, colored child must be discovered and corrected meted out road sentences aggregatwho was killed near Dardens; Isaiah early But, granting that periodic ing three and two-thirds years. All Hardison, colored man who was killed near the scene where the James and necessary, we must admit that child lost his life; Arthur Jeffries, the child's own physican, who is young white man, who was killed ready to carry out any corrective in October near Oak City. The first is the best source to secure such an examination.

The school is no place for a sick child, and those who attend school with any kind of sickness merely re- open court that while the court flect a family who has little or no would continue to hold to its main perception of the proper care of the duty of administering justice to all child and how to act best to protect alike, he was going to "tighten up" the health of the public. These chil- on violators of the liquor laws in dren should be taken home, the mo- this county. "I have tried to be fair ther informed as to what she should I have tried to temper justice with the fall months at an assembly held Successful Year have done in the way of calling in mercy, but I give everyone warning medical advice before sending a that leniency is not to be expected. manifestly sick child to school, and by those who flagrantly continue to stock in the Guaranty she should be advised to call in her violate the laws," Judge Peel was treatment.

represented in person or by proxy at the 38th annual meeting of the The students in the first, third and stockholders, held in Greenville Tuesday afternoon. The meeting this way we hope to examine a litwas presided over by E. G. Flanatle more than a third of the school gan, who has served as president of population annually, a different third each year, thus providing for J. H. Waldrop read a report as three examinations during the eleof December 31, 1938, showing total mentary school life of each child assets of \$8,371,279.95, an increase Examinations will be held in both of \$300,000 over the corresponding white and colored schools throughout the county. Doctor Furgurson After making substantial additions and Doctor Wilson will work togethto surplus, undivided profits, and er in the schools until about Februreserve accounts, the stockholders ary 1st. The complete schedule has appealed and bond was fixed in the were paid a ten per cent cash, and not been perfected but the tentative plans will be to begin in the

Calls Thirty-One **Cases During Day** the second term.

Fines Totaling \$450.00 Are Imposed; Long Road Sentences Given

Judge H. O. Peel started the new year off with a bang in the county to carry. For the child's own happi- recorder's court last Monday when physical examinations are advisable day long, the jurist and the solicitor, D Elphonsa Johnson, worked or the docket, clearing the accumulation of 31 cases that had been placprocedure which might be indicated ed on the docket during the holiday season. The session constituted an

uled for play will be three and eight all-time record when its activities of the day were combined. players will make plans to attend, Judge H. O. Peel announced in able session and at the same time

benefitting the organization's work in the auditorium last Tuesday morning. Arranged in the form of a

own physican for examination, and quoted as saying in his warning. Proceedings in the court Monday: Charged with non-support, Leon sixth grades will be examined. In Sykes was directed to pay \$5 a this week. Outstanding work was month for six months for the support of his child.

on hall traffic, cafeteria manage-Failing to comply with a former ment, school building and grounds judgment in a case charging him and athletics. with reckless driving, Lenon Gray Elections to replace the retiring Moore was sentenced to the roads members were held Thursday at ac-

for three months. Charged with non-support, Doc Whitfield was ordered to pay into bership during the spring term: the court \$45 for Dr. E. E. Pittman! and \$10 for Undertaker Harden. He Ward, Martha Rhodes Ward. sum of \$100.

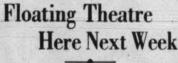
with bastardy was nolprossed. David Simpson w

Juniors: J. E. Boykin, Stuart Critcher, Martin Anderson Sophomores: Roosevelt Coltraine,

Susie Griffin.

Freshmen: Evelyn Griffin, Em-

ma Belle Ward.



Reconditioned at a cost of several thousand dollars after going to the bottom of the Roanoke near Jamesville early last November, the Original Floating Theatre will again attempt to ply the stream Sunday for a two-day engagement here next Monday and Tuesday, it was announced this week by the management.

Repairing to their home in almost a dozen states following the sinking ered, and occupants of the house al-sion, urging the passage of an act of the boat members of the cast most brought it under control, but authorizing sufficient appropriations of the boat, members of the cast were recalled several days ago. Making short stops at towns along the streams in this section of the State, the show boat will start moving to southern waters soon.

The management announced this week that the floating theatre had been extensively renovated and modernized at a cost of several thous and dollars.

The stop here is one of the few the show boat will make before going south.

May Let Farm Life

Road Contract Soon they could.

A contract for the surfacing of a farm-to-market road from the Old Mill Inn to the Farm Life school, via Lilley's store and Smithwick Creek church, will possibly be let in early March, according to unofficial information reaching here this week.

Engineers have completed a sur-vey of about one-half of the project and representatives of the federal Mr. Studdert was quite ill for sevgovernment were in the county this eral days following an operation by the State is badly needed for exweek reviewing the survey. there.

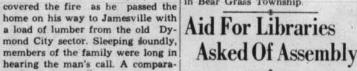
Griffins Township about one liamston during the past five years. o'clock Wednesday morning. A piano Funeral services will be conductand most of the other contents were ed at the Rosen of Sharon church removed from the first floor, but tomorrow afternoon at 2:30 o'clock most of those on the second floor were burned.

A truck driver in the employ of

the Gaines Lumber Company dis-

headway.

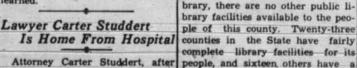
of Edgecombe County. Interment will follow in the Bailey cemetery in Bear Grass Township



tively small portion of the roof was Urgent appeals are being directed burning when the fire was discovto the State Legislature, now in sesauthorizing sufficient appropriations before another bucket of water of state funds for public library could be passed up the ladder the work in the counties of the State fire would break out and gain more Representative H. G. Horton will be

asked to support the measure. Summoned by telephone, neigh-The 1937 assembly passed an act bors in large numbers hurried there authorizing state aid for public liand with a favorable wind from the braries, but no appropriation was west held the fire to the home. Outmade available and the work conbuildings, fifty yards away, and the tinued at a standstill in most of woods across the highway caught the counties in the State. fire several times, but the flames The primary aim of the proposed were quickly extinguished. The lo- bill is to equalize library service by cal fire department received a call establishing and maintaining public about one o'clock, and several carloads of firemen and others went to which have none, and by helping the scene to offer any assistance

all libraries to provide more ade-quate service. Other than a limited service of-Only a small amount of insurance was carried on the home, it was fered by the Williamston, public lilearned.



people, and sixteen others have a partial library service. panding those facilities.

and S. R. Biggs.

the capital stock from \$437,500 to \$500,000, but no additional stock is to be offered at this time, except the

stock dividend, amounting to \$23, by her pastor, the Rev. Mr. Abrams, paid-in capital to \$461,250. 750, which would bring the total

W. H. Woolard, executive vice president, made interesting remarks with reference to the growth and expansion of the bank, and made comparisons between conditions now and in 1929. He stated that the

now had in cash and in-banks more than twice as much as all ten banks in Pitt County had on December 31,

1928, and he also stated that it was the policy of the officers of the bank condition to meet a recurrence of emergency. He commended and

thanked the directors and committees of the home office and branches for the aid they have given the bank.

County Officials Guests Of Pulp Plant Owners

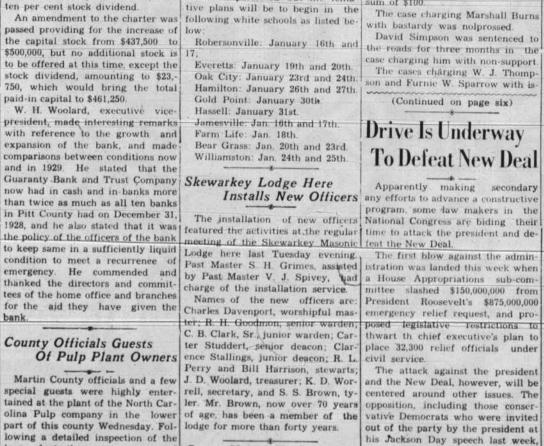
Martin County officials and a few special guests were highly enterlibraries in this and other counties tained at the plant of the North Carlowing a detailed inspection of the

huge plant, the group was served dinner in the country club house.

Those attending from this county were: Messrs. L. B. Wynne, J. Sam

Getsinger, C. B. Roebuck, J. L. Has-Is Home From Hospital counties in the State have fairly sell, N. C. Green, C. A. Harrison, Drs. E. W. Furgurson and Frank E. complete library facilities for its

Wilson, Charles Leonard, Bill Peel, table weighed five and one-half S. H. Grimes and Commissioners C. pounds and was perfectly shaped. A review of the library facilities C. Fleming, J. E. Pope, C. Abram clearly shows that an appropriation Roberson, R. A. Haislip, J. C. Man-



large turnip. The purple top vege

We have found numbers of others almost as large," Mr. Daniel said, grew the turnip.

A preliminary survey of the farms in this county indicates that Martin farmers have established a new record in poultry raising. Thousands of chicks purchased last year are now ready for the markets.

Last year, Martin farmers sold cooperatively 63,586 pounds of poultry and received \$11,872.55. The sales this season are expected to exceed that of last year.

Officers Capture Liquor Plant In County Yesterday

Two 100-gallon capacity copper on, and the opposition now proclaims liquor stills were captured, one in that it is not a question of whether Poplar Point and the other in Bear there'll be a split but just when the Grass Township, by Special Officer J. H. Roebuck assisted by Roy Peel yesterday. One of the plants was new. The raiders poured out approximately 1,000 gallons of beer.

Alphonsa Ewell and Richmond Milton, both colored, were captured

jorie Grey Dunn, secretary, were elected in September for the school

Doris Moore, president, and Mar-

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Parents-Teachers

Parents-Teachers Association

The executive committee of the

ession at the high school yesterday

afternoon decided to postpone the

regular meeting of the association

until February 3 in order to secure

Clyde Erwin, State Superintendent

of Schools, as its principal speaker.

Mr. Erwin was expected to be pres-

ent for the meeting next Wednes-

day but wrote that he would not be

Plans were perfected for the as-

sociation's annual bridge tourna-

ment which will be held in the Wo-

man's Club next Wednesday after-

on and evening. The hours sched-

o'clock. It is hoped that all bridge

insuring for themselves an enjoy-

Council Holds Program

council meeting with President Dor-

is Moore presiding, the program took

the form of reports and summaries

of activities by committee chair-

reported by the student committees

tivities period and the following stu-

dents were chosen for council mem-

Seniors: Louise Melson, Virgil

The student council of the local

able to be present.

Anticipate Heavy Poultry Loadings

Starting the cooperative shipment of poultry from the county next week, the county farm agent is anticipating fairly heavy loadings at the four points, Jamesville, Wilhamston, Robersonville and Oak City. The first stop the cooperative car will make will be at Jamesville next Tuesday morning. On successive days, the car will be stationed at Williamston, Robersonville and Oak City.

his Jackson Day speech last week, are scanning administration measures in an effort to brand them as of

dictatorial leanings.

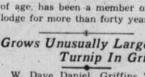
split will come.

ning, V. J. Spivey, Dr. J. S. Rhodes, finally admitting that Mrs. Daniel out that the ground work for a great

It is apparent that the drive is

As the second week of Congress comes to a close, nothing tangible has been done, but observers point

battle is being handled.



Grows Unusually Large

Turnip In Griffins W. Dave Daniel, Griffins Township farmer, placed on display here yesterday afternoon an unusually