

Trial Of Criminal Docket Is Nearing Close Late Today

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admitted participating in the Williamston robbery, and Wiggins also admitted stealing a pistol from the Atlantic Hotel. Evidence was offered in the cases but judgment was not pronounced immediately in any of the cases.

Dennis Wynne, charged with assaulting Charles Davis, Williamston merchant, with a deadly weapon with intent to kill and rob, denied his guilt in the case.

After hearing evidence in a number of cases, a trial by jury was ordered for LeRoy Davis, who stands charged with breaking into the Farmville-Woodward Lumber Company's commissary with intent to rob. Two witnesses were heard in the case before Judge Nimocks recessed court late in the afternoon.

Matthew Crandall, charged with breaking into the home of Mrs. Betty Bullock and stealing a sum of money, pleaded guilty, the court withholding judgment until some time today.

Larger Attendance Is Reported At Church Services On Sunday

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Rev. John L. Goff reports fair attendance at the two services in the Christian Church where he is holding a series of services each evening during the week. Mr. Goff is speaking on "Great Choices" made concerning Jesus during the last week of His earthly life. The church quartette and the Maple Grove quartette will sing during the meeting. Communion service will be held in connection with the Thursday evening service.

Church and Bible School attendance showed an increase Sunday over any for the past month. The report is as follows:

	S.S.	Y.P.	CHURCH	A.M.	P.M.
Baptist	118	15	110	44	
Christian	120	11	135	65	
Episcopal	22		48	18	
Holiness	123		125	225	
Methodist	94	13	90	52	
Presbyterian	25		35		
Totals	502	39	543	404	

Slight Damage Caused By Hotel Fire Last Evening

Thought to have started from a lighted cigarette, fire damaged a mattress, burned up a window shade and partly charred a window sill in a Geo. Reynolds Hotel room here last night at 11 o'clock. A guest had registered late in the afternoon and was assigned to the third-floor room, but he had been out of the room several hours when the fire was discovered. Few guests were disturbed and others did not leave the building. The fire was brought under control with truck equipment and no connection with the water mains was necessary. Yesterday was a busy day for local volunteer firemen; the call to the hotel being the third received since mid-afternoon.

Choral Club To Present Cantata Here Friday Night

Members of the Choral Club will present John Stainer's Cantata, "The Crucifixion", at the Episcopal church Friday night at 8:15. The public is cordially invited to attend.

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MAKES FRIENDS

Making an impromptu appearance in front of the courthouse here yesterday morning, J. M. Broughton, candidate for governor, gained friends right and left. Possessing a pleasing personality, the candidate was said to have done more solid, old-time politicking in the shortest length of time than any other candidate ever to come here before him. His appearance was marked by the absence of managers, state or local.

After a short stay here, he continued to Elizabeth City and from there to Manteo where he made an address last evening. He plans to return to this county for a day's stay in the next two or three weeks.

Christian Endeavor Will Meet Saturday

Large numbers of the Christian youth of the county are expected to attend the county Christian Endeavor convention to be held at Cross Roads on Saturday of this week, reports from the officers of the organization stating that an entertaining program had been planned and that an attendance record was anticipated.

Limited to one day, the convention opens this morning at 10:30 o'clock and closes at 2:15. A picnic dinner will be served.

While the program lists two main addresses during the session, short talks of an impromptu nature are being included as added features.

All members of Christian Endeavor societies throughout the county are urged to attend the meeting.

G. C. Bland is president of the convention and Miss Loretta Osborne is secretary. Rev. J. M. Perry is adult adviser.

Local Firm Now Distributor For LaSalle And Cadillacs

Chas. H. Jenkins and Company was recently appointed distributor for LaSalle and Cadillac cars in this territory. This firm is also agent for Pontiac, Buick and Oldsmobile.

At their garage on Washington Street, they have a number of the new LaSalle and Cadillac on display. Interested parties desiring a demonstration will be accommodated and this firm is extending a cordial welcome to the people of eastern Carolina to see these new cars.

Prayer Service Will Be Held At Local Church Wednesday

A twenty-minute prayer service will be held at the Methodist church Wednesday evening at 7:30 o'clock. All members are invited to be present for this brief service during Holy Week.

Choir practice will also be held Wednesday night.

THE RECORD SPEAKS . . .

Martin County motorists barely missed getting on the safety honor roll last week when a minor automobile accident was reported near here on the Washington Highway to further boost the gain in number of wrecks this year over the number a year ago. No one was hurt and very little damage—\$28—was done when the cars of Bill Abbitt and Mrs. W. T. Culpepper, of Elizabeth City, figured in a minor crash at the intersection of Skewarkey Lane and the Washington Road.

The record remains virtually unchanged, for in the eleventh week of last year there were no wrecks reported in the county.

The following tabulations offer a comparison of the accident trend: first, by corresponding weeks in this year and last and for each year to the present time.

Eleventh Week Comparison				
Accidents Inj'd	Killed	Dam'ge	1940	1939
1	0	0	\$ 28	0
0	0	0	000	0
Comparison To Date				
1940	22	16	\$2138	
1939	7	5	1 875	

County Woman Dies At Home In Griffins Township Monday

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union four children were born and they all survive. They are Mrs. Oscar Robertson, Asa J. Hardison and Ira T. Hardison, who live in the home community, and Mrs. W. O. Griffin, of Williamston. She is also survived by one sister, Mrs. Lucy Hardison, and one brother, Mr. William Whitely, and the following grandchildren, Evelyn, Louise and Elizabeth Griffin, Landy Griffin, Jr., Thelma, Leona Hazel and George Hardison and Henry Robertson.

Her passing will leave sadness not only in her immediate family, but it will be felt throughout the whole community. Widowed early in life she assumed the responsibilities of the head of her family and her sons and daughters today bear witness to how well she fought her fight. As a neighbor she always was ready to accept her responsibilities which she did quietly and generously. But most of all her loving ministrations will be missed by her children and grandchildren, her presence having brought much joy to their lives.

In early life she joined the Primitive Baptist Church and for many years got much satisfaction out of that communion.

Funeral services were held this afternoon at 3 o'clock at the home with Elder Perle Getsinger, Rev. W. B. Harrington, Rev. M. L. Ambrose, of Roper, and Rev. D. W. Arnold, of Washington, officiating. Interment was in the Hardison Mill cemetery.

Judge Nimocks In Address To Grand Jury Here Monday

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conditions warrant it."

Bringing his address to a close, the jurist warned against the practice of confining minors in the common jail with old or seasoned offenders.

"Keep them separate by all means, for I have seen too many cases where crime flourished because minors were thrown with seasoned criminals." He directed the jurors to see that the law governing the incarceration of youths is enforced, and instructed the jury to recommend to the authorities that a place be provided if no such place is now available for keeping youthful offenders.

Mr. Allen Osborne headed the jury as foreman. Other members: L. A. Croom, Joel Muse, J. D. Leggett, J. F. Council, W. B. Weaver, E. G. Wynne, R. L. Stallings, Joe Moye, S. C. Ray, Oscar B. Roberson, Joseph S. Holliday, Nancy Roberson, Pete Warrington, Arthur Peel, Jack Smith, W. M. Meyers, J. P. Simpson.

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NOTICE SERVING SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION

North Carolina, Martin County. In The Superior Court.

Town of Williamston vs. Ransome Johnson and Any and All other Persons claiming an interest in the Subject Matter of this Proceeding.

The defendant, Ransome Johnson, and Any and All other Persons claiming an interest in the Subject Matter of this Proceeding, will take notice that an action entitled as above has been commenced in the Superior Court of Martin County, N. C., in which proceeding said petitioner is asking that it be allowed to condemn certain lands to enlarge the Town's Cemetery wherein the defendant claims an interest. Said lands being described as follows:

Beginning at a post or stake the western corner of the lot on which the Free Public Col. School House was situated and being nearly opposite to the Southern boundary of the public burying ground belonging to the Town of Williamston and on the West side of the Hamilton Road and about two hundred and twenty (220) feet from said road, running thence south forty degrees west two hundred and eighty eight (288) feet to another post or stake a corner, thence a south-easterly course and parallel with said Hamilton road and south-western boundary of said old Free Public Col. School House lot two hundred (200) feet to another post or stake a corner, thence north forty degrees east two hundred and eighty eight (288) feet to a post or stake the southern corner of said old Free Public Col. School House lot, thence a northwesterly course along and with the western boundary line of the school house lot several times above named two hundred (200) feet to the beginning, containing by measurement one (1) acre more or less, and being the same land deceded to Ransome Johnson by John R. Lanier and wife, said deed being recorded in Book V at page 676 of the Martin County Public Registry.

Said defendant will further take notice that he is required to appear before the Clerk of the Superior Court of Martin County at his office in Williamston, North Carolina, on or before the 29th day of April, 1940, and answer or demur to said petition, copies of which have been filed in said office, or petitioner will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in the petition.

This the 18th day of March, 1940.
L. B. WYNNE,
Clerk of Superior Court,
m19-4t
Martin County, N. C.

Complaints Against Tax Valuations Are Filed Before Board

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explained that \$1,500 worth of timber had been sold from 280 acres of Conoho land and asked that the valuation be dropped from \$1,500 to \$700.

Appearing before the board, W. H. Hall, Williamston fire chief, pointed out that most counties do not charge

tractor and disc purchased by them after January 1 had found their way to the tax books. They also asked that the valuation of \$600 placed on three 12-year-old mules be reduced to \$500.

Mrs. Kate B. York explained that fire had damaged a tract of land of hers in Bear Grass Township, that there were only ten acres cleared with an old house and one tobacco barn on the property, and asked that the valuation be altered. The board reduced the assessment from \$3,199 to \$2,500.

Appearing before the board, G. P. Hall, Williamston fire chief, pointed out that most counties do not charge

firemen any poll tax and asked that the 17 volunteer members of the Williamston company be relieved of payment. No action was taken, the board explaining that the request would receive consideration after an investigation.

The assessed valuation of \$25,000 on the Sherrod farm in Hamilton Township was unchanged.

Stating that he bought a piece of land for \$1,300 and had sold \$300 worth of timber off it in Poplar Point, V. G. Taylor asked the board to reduce the valuation figure. The board dropped the taxable figure from \$1,800 to \$1,300.

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