

## Work Progressing Rapidly On Road

Repair work on the Roanoke River fill, damaged by high water last August, is being advanced rapidly at this time. Possibly as many as 1,000 loads of dirt are being dumped on the ragged fill daily, and work on the bridges is progressing rapidly.

Traffic over the route is being held to an absolute minimum, one report stating that through-traffic is being denied passage over the route. Each car is stopped and the driver questioned by flagman before passage is granted.

Using an elevating grader, Kiker and Yount, the contracting firm handling the repairs to the fill, will possibly complete the work within the allotted period of 75 working days. The new truck drivers are finding it a bit difficult in synchronizing their work with the grader loading machine, and yesterday one driver was completely covered by a deluge of dirt when his engine stalled and the machine overshot the truck body. The machine loads a truck in less than 15 seconds, and by early yesterday afternoon it had cut a deep strip in one of Farmer M. D. Wilson's lower fields near the river.

### MASONS TO MEET

A special meeting of the Masons will be held tonight at 7:30. Members are urged to attend.

Miss Effie Davis Britton, of Norfolk, visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Luther Britton, near here last week-end.

## Officers Confiscate Quantity Of Liquor

Raiding the home of Gladys Yearby on South Elm Street here early last evening, local officers, including J. H. Allsbrooks, John Roebuck, Patrolman Whit Saunders and the incoming constable, Charles R. Moore, confiscated 21 gallons of raw liquor hidden in a bedroom and in the kitchen there.

The Yearby woman whose husband, Robert Yearby, skipped bond in a case charging him with violating the liquor laws, fled out the back door as officers knocked on the front.

Periodic raids have been made in the immediate neighborhood by local officers during the past several years, but the raid last evening was one of the largest reported to date. At noon today, the keeper of the house had not been arrested.

### Pupil Painfully Hurt In Minor Bus Accident

Russell Peel, nine-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Heber Peel, of Griffins Township, was painfully hurt in a minor school bus accident in Williams Township yesterday afternoon. A passenger in the bus, the little fellow was looking out the window when the bus ran into a hole and threw his head against a seat or some other part of the bus. Three stitches were required to close the wound.

Patrolman Whit Saunders, traveling a short distance behind the bus, brought the youth here for treatment. The bus operates from the Farm Life school.

## Complicated Way Of Life For Many

This life is a bit complicated for many when it comes down to battling a tough economic system, according to unofficial reports coming from those who are assisting registrants in filling in answers to the draft questionnaires. Names are closely guarded in every instance, and the odd stories come from the registrants themselves in most cases.

For instance, one registrant told the following story. "I am married, but I don't live with my wife. We are not divorced. I keep the baby," he said. He was not quite sure whether he lived with his mother or whether she lived with him. He was fairly certain that he, his mother and the baby lived with his grandmother. He was not quite sure who paid the rent but he contributed a part. He bought the groceries and cared for the child, but his mother and sister helped him, and in turn, he helped them. It was just about what one would call a case of socialism on a small scale, right here in Martin County where one worked for all and all worked for one.

Then there was the fellow who explained that he was physically unfit for military service because he had the sanctified dance, meaning, of course, St. Vitus' dance.

### Two Minor Auto Accidents Reported Over Week-end

No one was hurt and only a minor property damage resulted from two auto accidents reported here and in the community during the past two or three days.

Damage estimated at \$50 resulted when the cars of Paul Swinson and Booker T. Hodges crashed on the Hamilton Road, near here, Saturday evening.

J. D. Bunting's car crashed into one driven by John Hardy, young farmer, early last evening as Hardy started to turn into a driveway on East Main Street here.

### Methodist Churchmen To Hold Meet In Hertford

Methodist ministers, stewards, lay leaders and other prominent figures in the church are to hold a district meeting in Hertford Friday morning at 10 o'clock. Rev. B. T. Hurley of the local Methodist church, announced this morning.

"To understand this new program, it is important for pastors, district stewards, lay leaders, church treasurers, church school superintendents and others to be present at this meeting. Rev. B. B. Slaughter, of Elizabeth City, pointed out in a special communication to the pastor of the local church.

Rev. Hurley and several others will represent the local church at the meeting.

Misses Gladys and Elsie Hodges, of Washington, visited Miss Marie Harrison near here last week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Ayers had as their guests near here last week, Mrs. Henry Sims, of Boston, and Mrs. Bill Linox, of Charleston, S. C.

Mr. Earl Long has returned to his home in Edenton after a visit with his brother, Mr. Willie Long, in Everett.

Mrs. Chloe Lanier and Miss Mildred Purvis visited in Belhaven yesterday.

## THE RECORD SPEAKS . . .

As the old year rapidly draws to a close, Martin motorists are sacrificing their lives, limbs and property to make the 1940 accident record equal the killing and maiming and destruction chalked up in the glaring figures in 1939. To date, the motorists are not far behind with five dead as compared with eight a year ago at this time. The accident count continues to hold a sizable lead this year over the number of a year ago. The only bright spot in the record this year as compared with the one of a year ago is that the number of dead and injured is less than it was a year ago. But the pace, established in recent weeks, will have to be geared down if this advantage is to be maintained.

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.

46th Week Comparison				
Accidents In'd Killed Dam'ge				
1940	3	1	1	\$ 125
1939	4	4	0	605
Comparison To Date				
1940	83	52	5	\$9540
1939	60	56	8	11,710

## County Man Awaits Word from Relatives In War-Torn Britain

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or not. Possibly some of them are injured; he does not know. The bombing of the English city, three thousand miles away, seems to bring the war closer home because some one you know has an immediate family connection there.

Reports from the wrecked city declare that the victims are still crying "thumbs up". That spirit is apparent in a letter written before the attack and received by Mr. Stone here a few days ago, excerpts from which follow:

"Well, the air raid warning has just sounded, but I hope I shall be able to go on writing. So far it is quiet. We were greatly pleased to sit by the fire tonight. It is really chilly here now.

"Walter has a week holiday so he took us to Wantage and White Horse Hill on Monday. It was a clear bright day and we thoroughly enjoyed it. The last time I went up the hill was during the last war. It is just the same, grand and remote. We climbed up the steepest side and little Marguerite was the only one that could keep up with her father. The wind was very strong and fresh. After enjoying the invigorating fresh air, we got down into the deep trench that runs all around the hill, and there the sun had its will and we were soon feeling quite warm. We could hear the wind above our heads making just the same sound the tide makes when it comes in.

"On our way back home we passed through Uffington which is overflowing with evacuees from London. What different surroundings for them? Wantage is also filled with people from the coast and London.

"We went to the cemetery but could not stay long as 'black-out' time comes so early now.

"The raiders' past signal has just sounded. Hope we do not hear any more tonight, but expect we shall. We used to always go down to the shelter when we heard the alarm, but now we listen to hear if there are any planes about. If not, we just carry on. Night before last incendiary bombs were dropped and we heard a good bit of gun fire in the distance, so we had to be on the watch. Last night I went to bed and was so tired I slept through the first alarm. That is the first time I had done that. However, the all-clear signal woke me, but I went back to sleep. Three hours later another alarm sounded but it lasted only a short time."

Continuing the letter on the following day, Mr. Stone's sister wrote, "We had a good night. I am very thankful for those these days. Late this afternoon we got another warning. The sky was very cloudy, Fred was in the garden. He saw the bomber just over the town. When I went out to get into the shelter I could see clouds of smoke in the sky from the guns, but the plane had gone into the clouds. We had the all-clear signal in about twenty minutes and have since heard the plane was brought down just outside the town. It may only be a rumor. We had another warning about an hour ago, and the all-clear has not been sounded yet. That is just how we go along. The saying is that one can get used to anything. I shall believe it soon. War is horrible, and we can't see any sign of the end yet . . ."

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## Home-Coming Held At County Church

Members and friend of Sweet Home Church observed home-coming day last Sunday with the pastor, Rev. Preston Cayton, of Edenton, occupying the pulpit. There was a large attendance for Sunday school and church. The pastor used the topic, "Pressing Forward," as his sermon theme.

Lunch was served on the grounds at noon and at one o'clock the deacons and elders and visiting ministers held a meeting.

At 6:30 the young people of the church met with Miss Marie Harrison, presiding. On the program were Miss Delise Harrison, Rev. James Arnold, Misses Cathleen Taylor, Nina Lee Britton, Irene Knox, Esther Roberson, Mae Swinson, of Dardens, Elizabeth Mendenhall.

## Negro Singer Is Well Received In Concert

Etta Moten, noted Negro singer and radio and screen star, was well received by a small but appreciative audience in the colored high school auditorium here last evening. The singer was warmly applauded by the mixed audience, several of the group stating that they would like to hear her in concert again.

Singing mostly spirituals, the artist included a few classical numbers but did not sing any popular songs.

A native of Texas, the singer readily made friends of her audience numbered at more than 200 people. She has appeared in concerts over the country and sang for the President in recent months.

## Increased Tobacco Parity Provided in Congressional Act

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Expressing satisfaction yesterday with Congressional action, officials of the AAA tobacco section disclosed that some few parity payments would be made to flue-cured growers on this year's crop. The payments, they stated, would be small, although no detailed estimate is now available.

## WANTS

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Plymouth office, Womble Drug Store, Every Friday, 10 a. m. to 4 p. m.  
Eyes Examined—Glasses Fitted  
Tarboro Every Saturday.

ADMINISTRATRIX NOTICE  
Having qualified as administratrix of the Estate of Joe Henry Lilley, late of Martin County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the said estate to exhibit them to the undersigned at her home, R.F.D., Williamston, N. C., on or before the 19th day of November, 1941, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment.  
ANNIE GRAY LILLEY,  
Administratrix of Joe Henry Lilley  
Hugh G. Horton, Atty. n19-6t

NOTICE OF SALE  
Under and by virtue of the power and authority conferred by that

certain deed of trust executed by Christina Everett and her husband, Frank Everett, to the undersigned trustee, dated January 1, 1928, and of record in the Martin County Public Registry in Book Y-2, page 378, default having been made in the payment of the indebtedness there secured as therein provided, the undersigned Jos. W. Bailey, trustee, at the request of the holder of the mortgage, will on Tuesday, December 17, 1940, at the courthouse door, in Martin County at 12:00 M., offer for sale at public outcry to the highest bidder the lands and premises described in said Deed of Trust as follows, to-wit:

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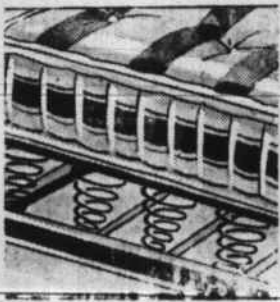
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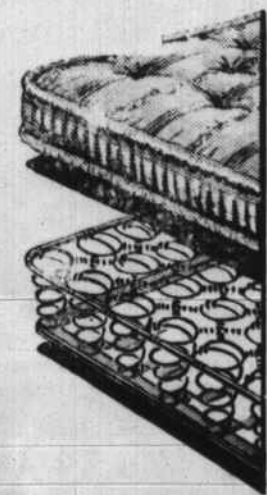
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