

built inside or within a stone's throw of the city's boundaries.

This is just a conservative estimate. It may have been more or less, and does not include the many new residents built in the rural sections near the city. The past year seemed to mark a trend toward more town homes attributable in part to Rockingham's beautiful

nd Park which saw And will doubtless be still further increased by the availability of the new northern extension of Richmond Park now being developed by H. C. Wall.

Construction activity other than residential continued at a high rate in 1939. Looming large in the public eye was the new \$25,000 Little theatre which will be formally opened next Monday.

A number of buildings were remodeled or otherwise improved during the year.

Fire Alarm Sunday Night

Sunday night during the sleet would have been a bad time for a fire. About 10:30, John can attend this service at 10, Gore phoned the department that a Car. Power pole on N. Randolph street was on fire. The bell was not rung, though Brock and the truck responded. Blaze on pole. coming from a live wire; Brock phoned Manager Egerton, and the linemen quickly clipped the wires there and the blaze went out. The town lights were off for just a moment while the adjustment 11th. was being made, but several breaks occurred during the night from sleet-laden limbs falling across wires and for a few minutes putting light out in that particular section.



WPA SCHOOL PROJECT WORK BEGINS JAN. 18 Wire Today From Reynolds. Supt. Bell Jan. 11th received a wire from Senator Reynolds that the county WPA project for building \$40,000 Home Ec-Gym-Voca buildings at Rockingham and Hamlet had been approved and would be released this week, so that work can start Jan. 18th on the Rockingham unit. The county pays 55%, the WPA 45%. War. **BISHOP PENICK SUNDAY** 

At 10 o'clock A. M.

Bishop Edwin A. Penick will make his annual visit to the Episcopal church at Rockingham this Sunday morning, with services at ten o'clock. Two

persons will be confirmed. The public is cordially invited to hear this gifted preacher - one of the silver-tongued cold, stay at home and begin speakers of the South. You doctoring it; don't move about and then have time to go to

your own service at 11.

#### No Marriage Licenses

December-and not a single li- being sec.-treas. for 21 years. cense has been issued since On Jan. 2nd Atty. Wofford Dec. 20th-and it is now Jan.

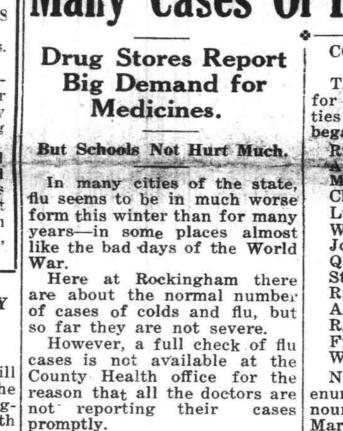
# "Gone with the Wind"

It is likely that the "Gone with the Wind" picture will be shown at the Richmond theatre the latter part of March. The picture will come intact-just as shown in Atlanta at it's premiere in December.

### **35 Drivers Licenses Issued** Here Jan. 2nd

Thirty-five drivers licenses were issued at the local state highway patrol office on Jan. 2nd by License Examiner N. R. Stell, Jr., of Raleigh, who has control of issuing licenses in Richmond and Moore counties.

**Newspaper** Institute The 16th session of the annual Newspaper Institute will ing, owned by Gore in Great be held at the University Jan. Falls section of town. 18-20, with a banquet at Duke the night of the 19th. Newspaper men of national reputa



Inroads are being made in in April. school attendance, but so far not sufficiently as to cause any

school to close. If you get a with any fever.

### Succeeds London as Sec.

On Jan. 8th Alston Stubbs. lawyer of Durham, was named Humphries, of Asheville, was named Legislative Reference

# Librarian.

**Edmund Caulk Injured** Edmund Caulk, of Bennettsville, who is well known thruout this section, received a lacerated chin and two broken teeth Jan. 1st when his car was run into by a truck on the bridge over the Pee Dee river at Society Hill, S. C. His car, was practically demolished.

> DAVENPORT TO MOVE Harold Davenport has rented the building just vacated by the former Culberson Motor company, and will move there Feb. 1st. He handles Chevrolets, and opened here June 15. 1937, in the former Page build-

> > Born in January:

COUNTY ENUMERATORS

The business enumerator

for this and neighboring coun-ties for the 1940 census, who began work Jan. and, are: Richmond Platett Ellerbe, Anson Benter Blalock, Jr. Montgomery C. W. Bruton. Chas B. Cameron Hole Chas. B. Cameron, Hoke Luke Marion, Jr., Moore Walter V. McCall, Scotland John W. Liles, Lee Quentin Veach, Davidson Stokes A. Smith, Davidson

Rike L. Willson, Davie A. S. Cassel, Wilkes R. L. Huffman, Jr., Wilkes Frank Woodhouse, Yadkin Wm. H. Rooker, Union. Names of population census

enumerators will not be an nounced until the last of March; that census begin early

# County Visited by

Mean Temp. for First Ten Days 27% Lower Than the Average for 21 Years.

### Sleet and Cold. Schools Out 2 Days.

The first ten days of January, 1940 have been much be low normal winter weather-(Continued on Page Nine)

POSTAL RECEIPTS Postal receipts for year 1939, only a few days after Robinso were: 

GEORGE McNEILL DEAD

Member State Elections Board.

Col. George McNeill, 58, died Jan. 9th at his home in Fayetteville. He had been a member of the State Board of Elections for about 10 years.



Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Moran spent Dec. 29th here wit friends. They last summer moved to Raleigh where Mr. Moran established a roofing business at 303 N. West street under the name of the Moran Roofing & Supply Co.

# BANK STATEMENT

The statement of the Farmers Bank, in this issue, shows the largest amount of resources in the history of the bank. The total is \$1,577,305, of which \$1,338,564 represents deposits. The loans amount to \$225,588.

# WPA PROMOTIONS

Ed. Hurst who has been WPA roads project time-keeper for the county for some months. was promoted to WPA keepen of records for Richmond and Montgomery counties Jan. 8th Bill Everett who had been at Charleston since 1936, came home Sunday and began work Ice, Snow, Sleet Jan. 8th as WPA time-keeper for roads projects.

> Roy Kelly Scheduled To Die January 19th

learning to play, then buy your Unless given a reprieve, Roy self some clubs and go out and Kelly, former Albemarle man, join the fun. If you haven't will die in the gas chamber at played on the course since the Central prison in Raleigh on sand greens were transferred the morning of Jan. 19th, for to grass, then you're in for the murder of M. P. Robertson. former sheriff of Alamance treat. county, which occurred during afternoon and go out and play the robbery of a filling station a round. There is only a at Burlington early last year

small fee. had assumed the duties of his PEOPLE ASKED TO office.

### **MERCURY 8 COMING**

A Mercury 8 sedan started

from Charlotte some days ago in a tour of Ford agencies over the state. Prizes are given to taxes in the county for taxthe one guessing how many gal- ation went off fairly well the lons of gas it will take for the first week. Around 300 per-

car to go 2400 miles. The car will reach Rockingham at 1:45 this Friday, at the list. McInnis-Rummage agency and be on display for a couple of hours. You are invited to call and guess; you may win.

New Rector Wadesboro

Rev. W. M. Latta assumed the rectorship of the Lpisco-PACKARD AGENCY HERE pal church at Wadesboro Jan

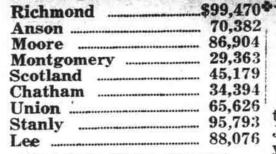
SALES TAX TO STATE AT 3 PER CENT

For Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1939.

The 3% on sales paid by consumers to the State of North Carolina for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1939, amounted to \$10,948,761.

Five counties paid almost a third of this—Mecklen-burg, Guilford, Forsyth, Wake and Buncombe. The people of Richmond county paid \$99,470. Cambra county paid the smallest—\$2,540. It is interesting to see

how neighboring counties came out:



**Golf Course** 

Committee Is Trying To Make

Town Golf-Minded.

The Committee of the local

Country Club golf course is

trying to make Rockingham

golf-minded and to get every

person to go out and play on

If you're a "greenhorn" at

the game, but interested in

Just jump in your auto any

Around 300 Listed in R'ham

Township Last Week.

penalties.

LIST TAXES EARLY

the Country Club course.

Joined the Marines

A Number of Local Boys.

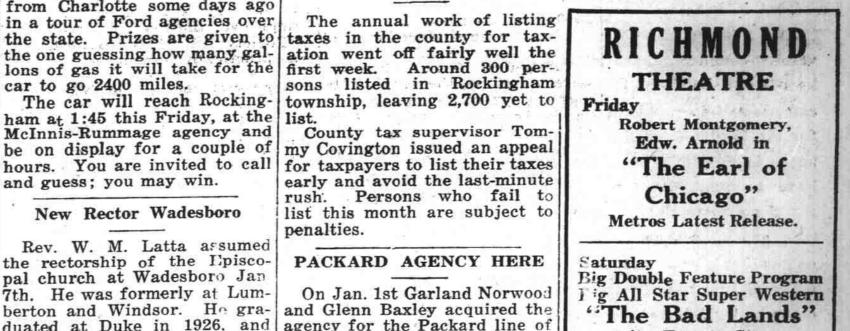
A recruiting party was at the Federal building here from Jan. 8th to 11th, recruiting young single white men for the Marines.

The following have so far joined, and will be furnished transportation to Raleigh for further examination and then enlistment. They will be sent to Parris Island, S. C. for six weeks of training, after which they will be assigned to foreign stations, Marine barracks or ship duty:

Daniel Earl Lathan **Everett Morris Lathan** Grady Henry Turnage Rufus "Pete" Johnson Horace Geary Shoe, Jr. Leroy Smith

The two Lathan boys are from Hoffman, and graduated from Hoffman high school. Turnage is from East Rockingham, attended Rockingham high, and has been working at the local A. & P. "Pete" Johnson goes to Rockingham high, and was depended upon as the mainstay of the 1940 football team, as tackle.

Horace is 19; Leroy is also 19, and was in 11th grade Ellerbe school this past fall.



Only 7 marriage licenses as sec.-treas. of the N. C. Bar were issued by the Register of Asso. to succeed Henry M. Lon-Deeds for the entire month of don who died Dec. 30th after

starts 10:15 p. m.	34, fireman on the Seaboard, was killed at 4:45 p. m. Jan 4th when struck by the over-	Judy Garland, Jan. 10, '23.	April to January	duated at Duke in 1926, and from the Seminary in 1933; is a Pi Kappa Alpha; his wife was Elizabeth Harding of Washington, N. C,. and she graduated from St. Mary's and the University; they have a	Chicago"
	head bridge naer Vass. He was standing on the tender pre-		LIST-TAKER NOW!	son, aged 3. He succeeds Rev. Frank known as the Norwood Auto	Cartoon and Serial.
at 10 a.m.	paring to taking on water at the Vass tank.	Oliver Hardy, Jan. 18, '92. Eddie Cantor, Jan. 31, '93.		Pulley who resigned to accept Service; two new Packards are a church in Florida last fall. now on display.	