

### Banks Show Good

A glance at the statements of the banks in the county will give one an idea of the material condition of things. Right in the midst of the dull season the combined deposits of the banks are over one-half million, or \$562,896.86. Of this amount, the two banks in Williamston carry \$374,876.61, or twice as much as the combined deposits of the other four banks in the county. The Bank of Martin County has the largest amount of deposits with the Farmers and Merchants second. The Bank of Robersonville, the statement of which was not published in these columns, carries \$83,035.35 in deposits.

### Didn't Wait

Victoriano Huerta did not pursue the "waiting policy" until the end. Waiting on his part would have brought different results than that which President Wilson carried out successfully. With boastful words, the dictator declared that he had no fear of Gen. Villa, and yet he arranged matters so that there would not be a meeting between the two. No one can blame him, however, for discretion is the better part of valor.

"He who fights and runs away, May live to fight another day."

There is a feeling of relief on the part of Americans, and pride too, for the masterful manner in which Wilson averted war with Mexico and so saved the lives of thousands of good men who are worth more than the whole of Mexico. It is confidently expected that the Constitutionists will arrange affairs satisfactorily and without further bloodshed. How different things might have been if Huerta had resigned as Wilson wanted, and finally brought about by the "waiting policy" which has earned the plaudits of the world. Many months will elapse before a strong government can be arranged in the war-ridden country.

It will be attended with difficulties, but President Wilson is the man to have matters adjusted for the good of the Mexican nation.

### The Army Worm

The real Army worm struck town last week and devoured the grain planted on the lot of J. G. Staton near the depot. It was interesting to watch them marching on like an army looking for new lands to conquer. A number of English sparrows had good sport eating the destructive pests. Very few people in this section had never seen one of the worms before, as these are the first which have been noticed here. They are different from the cotton worm that has been mistaken for them. The State Department of Agriculture instructs the people to dig trenches around the fields and holes into which they will crawl and die. Paris green can be used also with good effect. This can be put on the grain just ahead of the army, and need not be sprinkled on the entire lot thus destroying it. Mix one pound of Paris green with thirty pounds of wheat bran and one gallon of syrup, and water to moisten. Distribute on ground where worms are and death will follow. Mr. Staton had Paris green sprinkled on the grain, but not early enough to protect it from devastation. Crops in the county should be watched carefully so as to prevent destruction by the worms. Several counties in the East are infested by them.

### LOCAL

A strange sight was seen here Wednesday—black Cotton Blossoms.

Chowan River melons have been on the market recently.

Swat the Army worm.

Dog Days are surely "hot dog" ones.

Quite a number of people here are taking typhoid vaccine.

The Buggy Factory has rush orders for tobacco trucks after having sold all the supply on hand. Farmers know where to go to get the best service.

East Williamston has been paid a little extra attention this month as some work has been on the streets, drains, etc.

15 Tons good peanut Hay for sale \$10. and \$12.50 per ton.

J. W. Watts,  
Williamston, N. C.

The peculiarity of the sun and sky here on Friday last was noticed by many people. Over the sun for hours hung a haze and the sunlight had the appearance of an eclipse.

FOR SALE—Studebaker Automobile in good condition. Four cylinders, seven passengers, tires in good shape and an extra tire. For particulars write

Harry A. Biggs.

"Joseph in the land of Egypt" was the feature at the Gaiety Tuesday night. It was both attractive and interesting, telling the Bible story with exactness. Tonight "Dope."

OUR HOTEL in Williamston is for rent and possession can be given about Sept. 1st, 1914.—Blount Bros.

Gypsy fortune tellers attempted to ply their trade on Saturday afternoon and were told to move on by Chief Sawyer. They are a nuisance and should not be allowed to infest any community. The leader of the band is reputed to be worth thousands of dollars, yet the filthy condition of the band is a menace to the health of any section.

Keep your eye on the Williamston tobacco market this season.

The Farmers Warehouse with Messrs. James and Gurganus will make a fine trio with the other houses here, where the farmer can get the highest prices for the golden weed.

The Hoyt Hdw Co. sold during the recent demonstration, twenty-one Majestic Ranges. That means that twenty-one families will have better food and less worry about its preparation.

Friends here and elsewhere will be glad to learn that Mrs. S. R. Biggs is improving after an operation for gall stone at St. Vincent's Hospital. She will remain there for about four weeks. Miss Nannie Biggs is with her.

Maurice Watts, who motored to Plymouth Tuesday, had the misfortune to receive a severe cut back of one of his ears. He with a party of girls was throwing water, and one of the girls attempted to dash water from a pitcher, and the vessel slipped from her hand and struck Maurice back of the ear, inflicting a cut which required three stitches.

### Seriously Ill

Mrs. William E. Tice, sister of Mr. N. S. Peel, was stricken with paralysis on Wednesday and her condition is considered very serious. Her sister, Mrs. Noah Roberson, who was visiting Mrs. W. C. Manning here, left Thursday to be with Mrs. Tice.

## THE WILLIAMSTON TOBACCO MARKET

Will Open on August 19th., With Full Corps of Buyers and Ample Arrangements to Handle More Pounds Than Ever, Sales Opening Day Promises to be Large

### THREE WAREHOUSES WILL SELL THE WEED

August the 19th has been designated as the opening of the Williamston tobacco market, and farmers are busy curing the weed as it ripens. The acreage in Martin is larger than estimated at the beginning of the year and prospects for quality and quantity are fine. Representatives of the leading tobacco companies say that prices will be good all the season, and the Williamston market has always been and will continue to be the spot for the highest prices obtainable.

The Dixie, Roanoke and Farmers Warehouses will take care of the weed as it comes in. Messrs. Jim Staton, J. W. Hight, Joe Taylor, Mack Mobley, Hugh Buras, Will James and Eli Gurganus will give the farmers a "square deal" every time. Representatives of the Export, American, Imperial, Liggett & Myers, Taylor and other companies will be on the market, and these men are known to every farmer in the county and those adjoining. The market will be stronger than ever, and the sales must demonstrate the fact that Williamston is the right place to get good service, courteous treatment and the best in prices.

### Engagement Announced

Mrs. Wheeler Martin was hostess to a large number of Williamston's women on Wednesday from 6 to 8 o'clock, at her home on Main Street. The interior of the residence was made more attractive by the addition of bunches of white and pink Crepe Myrtle, which grows and blooms to perfection in Williamston. Miss Annie Fagan welcomed the guests at the door and conducted them to the lower hall, where Miss Harriet Simmons Davis, of Norfolk, served refreshing punch. Then came little Misses Elizabeth Hassell and Elizabeth Cook with cards tied with pink and white ribbons, and these assigned the guests to the tables, where Progressive Rook was enjoyed. There were nine tables and the game was a most interesting one. After the game, elegant ice cream and cake were served and amid the enjoyment of these, Misses Hassell and Cook came in again, this time with baskets of roses and carnations and each guest took one, finding tied thereon envelopes with cards bearing this: "S. R. B. and A. E. F. Oct. 7th, 1914." Congratulations were showered upon Miss Fagan who gracefully responded. Misses Julia Bond and Charlotte Fagan, of Edenton, were among the out-of-town guests.

The marriage of Miss Fagan and S. Rome Biggs will unite two popular young people of the town. Miss Fagan has made her home here for the past two years, where she has been accounted one of the most attractive women in this town and in Edenton, where she was reared. Mr. Biggs is largely interested in business here, being a member of the firms of the S. R. Biggs Drug Co., and the Biggs Iron and Motor Co. He has always enjoyed unbounded popularity and is one of Williamston's splendid young men.

### Mrs. Laura S. Martin Dead

On Saturday, July 4th 1914, Laura S. Martin, wife of J. A. Martin, died at her home in Robersonville. For several months her health had been failing, and on June 10th she was stricken with typhoid fever, and on July 4th about one o'clock the summons came. On the day following, her body was laid to rest in the family cemetery at her country home near town.

During the year 1911, she joined the Primitive Baptist Church and during all the days since has been a faithful follower of her Lord and Master. She left a husband and four children, and a grandchild, seven years old who had lived with her since the death of her parents in 1907.

Mrs. Martin was born near Williamston in 1847 and married in early life. She was the sister of the late Marion Burroughs, who was a resident of Williamston for many years. Many hopes are vanished, Many hearts are stilled, A vacant chair is in our home Which never will be filled.

### Mrs. Jno. Leegett Dead

Thursday night of last week, death took the soul of Ludie May, the beloved wife of Mr. John Leggett, after a few hours illness. She was the only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Cullifer and spent several years of her life in Williamston before she grew to womanhood, and attended the Graded School here. Her parents later moved to their country home on the Everetts road, and there she was married about three years ago, she and her husband making their home with the parents.

In childhood she was sweet and obedient and the idol of her parents, and in her womanhood she showed forth qualities of heart and mind which endeared her to all about her. Much sympathy is felt for the grief-stricken parents and husband, who will miss the loving ministrations of her daily life.

Friday afternoon, in the presence of a large number of friends and neighbors, her body was laid to rest in the cemetery at home, and the husband, the parents and a little babe are left, while she waits for their appearing in the life beyond.

### New Grocery Firm

Papers of incorporation have been issued for the Cook Grocery Co., of Williamston. The authorized capital is \$10,000 with \$4,000 paid in. J. D. Biggs, C. H. Godwin and others are incorporators. It will be under the management of John S. Cook, organizer of the company, and the business will be conducted in the Ellington building, which has been thoroughly repaired and conveniently arranged for the business. This will make the fourth grocery store in town.

### PERSONAL

Miss Ella Stubbs arrived from Richmond on Wednesday. She came to nurse her father, who is ill with fever.

Mrs. Mittie Barnhill and children, of Richmond, who have been visiting relatives here, left Thursday for their home.

K. B. Crawford went to Virginia Beach Thursday.

Clayton Moore has been in Goldsboro this week on business.

Miss Alice Kilby has returned to her home in Richmond.

A. D. Mizell spent Sunday in Robersonville.

Messrs. Wiley Rogerson, R. E. Grimes and Ira Roberson were in town Tuesday from Robersonville.

Roland Hobbs was here from Spring Hope Monday.

Misses Mary Dare Brown and Myrtle Woolard and Messrs. Oscar Anderson and David Brown left Wednesday for Virginia Beach.

C. A. Getsinger, of Rocky Mount, has been in town this week.

Mrs. W. A. Brown spent Tuesday in Robersonville.

Arthur White has been spending the week here with relatives.

J. P. Simpson has been in Norfolk this week on business.

Mrs. J. P. Simpson and children with Mrs. W. R. Fowden and Miss Susie Purvis motored to Scotland Neck and Palmyra Tuesday.

Miss Martha Lilley, of Jamesville, has been the guest of Miss Mary Brown this week.

Miss Josephine Robertson is visiting relatives in Ahoskie.

Miss Rosa Baker, of Mt. Olive, was here Tuesday visiting friends.

Mrs. K. B. Crawford and Master Asa, Mrs. J. S. Rhodes and Miss Anna Crawford left Monday for Arden to spend a month.

Mrs. J. G. Staton and the Misses Lawson left Monday for Atlantic City.

Miss Mary Robertson went to Panacea Springs Monday.

Miss Mattie Lou Anderson is visiting relatives in Rocky Mount.

Master William Ellison has returned from a visit to Vaughn.

George L. Whitley, Jr., has been here this week visiting relatives.

Miss Carrie Dell Blount is visiting relatives in Richmond.

Mrs. J. B. H. Knight and Miss Frances Knight left Saturday for a trip to Baltimore and Atlantic City.

Mrs. Donald C. Godwin is visiting Mayor and Mrs. B. F. Godwin on West Main Street.

Miss Mary Smith is visiting Miss Fannie Biggs Martin.

Mrs. F. K. Hodges and Miss Eva Wolfe went to Plymouth Tuesday to attend the funeral of their nephew, Pittman Wolfe.

### Tonight at Gaiety Theatre

## "DOPE"

An Uplift Drama in Six Reels With Six Stars

For Next Tuesday Night-28

## "PROTEA"

FIVE REEL PICTURE

### Killed Little Brother

Monday, the seven-year-old boy of Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Harrington, who live about eleven miles from Williamston, shot and killed his little brother, five years old. The two children were playing in a room together and the mother was in an adjoining room, when hearing the younger boy call to her and say: "Mama don't let him shoot me," she rushed into the room but before reaching the children, the boy fired the gun and the load tore off the top of the younger boy's head, scattering his brains over the room. The tragedy cast a gloom over the neighborhood and the parents were prostrated with grief. Mr. Harrington said that he would have taken an oath that the gun was unloaded, but like many such cases, he was mistaken. The child who fired the gun is too young to give much information about the tragedy. It is the nature of boys to use firearms, and evidently he had no idea of killing his brother.

### Miss Matthews Hostess

On Thursday evening, Miss Frances Matthews delightfully entertained in honor of her house guest, Miss Sue Parker, of Weldon. On entering the guests were met at the door by Miss Matthews, and presented to Miss Parker, then ushered to the punch bowl which was gracefully presided over by Misses Blanche Phippen and Ruth Floyd. Rook and auction bridge were the games of the evening. Delicious ices were served. Miss Matthews' guests were, Misses Helen and Rachel Edmonson, Lida Inscoc, Lelia Phippen, Mary Anthony, Maggie and Annie Jones, Myra Haerberle; Messrs. Peel, Matthews, Davenport, Perkins, Anderson, Nobles, Worseley and Rhoder.

### Oak City Items

Lucius Davenport, of Speed, motored to town Sunday.

Willie Hurst and wife, Mrs. Cartwright Taylor and the Misses Beverly, of Robersonville, were here Sunday.

Messrs W. Rhodes, Pat Davenport and the Misses Edmundson and Helen Council, of Hamilton, motored over Sunday afternoon.

Loomis Chesson and wife have returned from Tarboro.

Dr. Edgar Long and wife spent Thursday night in Hamilton.

Miss Laura Norman, of Greensboro, is the guest of Misses Hannah and Myrtle Lee Long.

Miss Jefferson House spent the week-end with Misses Bessie and Myrtle Robinson at Robersonville.

Misses Bessie and Myrtle Robinson, Laura and Julia Salsbury and Herbert Reeves were in town Thursday.

Tommie, Marion and Emmett Burnett with Misses Hannah Long and Laura Norman motored to Tarboro Sunday.

Miss Beatrice Daniels returned home Friday after a visit of six weeks in Williamston and Robersonville.

Rev. J. D. Howell, of Williamston, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Loomis Chesson.

Miss Hattie Davis, of Kinston, is visiting the family of J. J. Piland.

L. J. Davenport and wife motored to Washington Monday.

J. F. Crisp and wife spent Sunday at Falkland.