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Important Announcement.

I wish to announce that the Williamston High School and Graded School will open between the dates Sept 20 and Oct 2. The place of opening and exact date will be announced later.

The High School will offer a well-planned course this year and we are anxious that as many students as possible attend and take advantage of this course. We wish the boys and girls living in the county outside of Williamston to attend and make use of the training which we have to offer. No tuition will be charged any student in the county who wishes to attend The High School, so our boys and girls should take advantage of this and receive an education that will help them to succeed during life.

Any boy or girl, prepared to attend The High School and planning to attend, please notify me by mail as soon as possible.

It has been determined to open school on September 28th for registration, and work will begin on the following Monday, which is October 1st. The old school building is being repaired sufficiently to accommodate the pupils until the new building is completed. Work on the latter has been resumed, as shipments of lumber have been received.

Edgar E. Bundy, Supt.

Union Services Continued

It has been agreed by the ministers holding union services at night to continue same thru September. Rev. W. R. Burrell will preach at the Methodist Church next Sunday night, Rev. Asa J. Manning at the Baptist Church on the third Sunday night, Rev. W. R. Burrell at the Christian Church on the fourth Sunday, and Rev. A. J. Manning on the fifth Sunday night. Rev. H. M. Eure preached at the Baptist Church on last Sunday evening.

Died in France

An English paper has been received here by Capt. W. H. Fowden in which is pictured his nephew, Lieut. Stuart Fowden Trotter, who on July 6th, 1917, while doing patrol duty as an aviator, was mortally wounded in a fight with a superior number of Huns. He was taken care of by his comrade but death ensued before assistance could be given him.

When the war broke out, he was in Canada far up in the Northwest, and travelled 900 miles with dogs and sled to reach home and enlist. One year ago, he was married and leaves a wife and mother, and a name which is written high in the roll of honor of England's soldiers.

Notice

Owing to the increased number of shares, it has become necessary that the section relating to fines in the constitution and by-laws be enforced. That is: all installments and interest due the Martin County Building and Loan Association be paid by 12 o'clock Monday following the Saturday that said installments and interest are due. The fine for non-payment of installments and interest by the time specified is 5cents per share per week. To be more explicit, if you do not pay before the town clock strikes 12 on each Monday, then you will have to pay as above mentioned.

This by order of the Board of Directors, and to be in effect, beginning Saturday, September 15th, 1917.

Wheeler Martin, Secretary.

Tobacco For Red Cross.

Mesdames Charles Godwin and James Rhodes, members of the local Red Cross Auxiliary, are collecting this week contributions of tobacco at the several warehouses. One bunch from each pile on the floors is contributed by the buyers, and this will be sold on Monday. It is hoped in this way, to aid the work of the Red Cross. It might be a good thing for the farmers themselves to contribute also. There are many, perhaps, who have not been asked to contribute to the work which will help the wounded and sick soldiers on the battlefields, and if any of them raise tobacco, it would be a splendid thing for them to contribute in this way, and at this time. Even the small farmer could give a little and never feel the loss, but on the other hand, he would have the satisfaction of knowing that some brave man was made more comfortable because of his help.

Industrious Children

While Mr. A. G. Griffin was away from home recently, his three small children seeing that the fodder in the fields was getting very ripe, conceived the idea of pulling the same, and being too small to reach far up the stalk they took a truck, hitched a horse to it, and the smaller one drove between the rows, and the others stood on the truck and pulled the fodder. When their father returned, he found that they had made splendid progress.

This is very different from the actions of most children in the present times, for so many of them are seeking to do the least that they can, and are engaged in those things that lead them downward instead of upward.

Remember children, if you are to make good men and women, you must be industrious. The Good Book says children be dutiful to your parents. I hope other children will follow the same course and do what they can for themselves, their parents and their country.

Kader Lilley.

Legal Aid To Soldiers

Every man who has been and all those who may hereafter be drafted, as well as all those who have or may volunteer to the country's service, are requested to file with the Soldiers Business Aid Committee of their respective townships their names and any request for assistance in any business matter during their absence.

Remember our committee will render any assistance possible entirely free. All legal matter will be given full attention entirely free.

Call on us

A. R. DUNNING,
County Chairman.

Martin County Should Exhibit

It should be the pride of every farmer in the county to select some of his best corn, cotton, peanuts, tobacco, potatoes, hay, meat, butter, canned vegetables and other things and deliver to Mr. J. L. Holiday, County Agent at Williamston and let Martin County take some of the State Fair premiums, and at the same time make it known to the world. This work should begin now, if we are to have a creditable exhibit.

Masonic Funeral at Siloam Church Sunday Sept. 9th at 2 P. M.

SEVEN GO TO JOIN THE NATIONAL ARMY

Martin County Offered Its First Young Men On Thursday. They left for Columbia, S. C.

All over the United States, American manhood has this week been offering itself to the cause of democracy, and the protection of the rights of this beloved land of ours: the National Army has been mobilizing at the different camps throughout the South, and yesterday Martin County sent its first men to join this Army. Acting in accordance with the instructions of the War Department, only five per cent of the quota of 145 men were taken on the first call.

Yesterday morning, a large crowd was at the station to bid the men goodbye, and to cheer them with kindly expressions, though the hearts of each was filled with regret that they had to see them leave home and loved ones. Flag-adorned Testaments were presented to the men by Mr. W. C. Manning, Chairman of the Martin County Council of Defense, and the Red Cross Auxiliary gave each one a comfort bag. The squad was placed in the command of Dennis C. Taylor, and the members of the Exemption Board were present to see them off. The men went to Columbia, S. C., where they will be trained for service. The squad was composed of Dennis C. Taylor, Williamston. James A. Leggett, " " Bernard G. Hyman, Oak City, Robert E. Harrell, Jodie D. Woolard, Robersonville, William H. Gray, Rufus R. Carson, Bethel.

Hamilton Items

Miss Effie Waldo has returned from Ocean View.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Davenport left Sunday for Baltimore and Washington City.

Gordon Hines left Sunday for Florida.

Misses Lillie and Hattie Floyd are spending the week in Baltimore and Washington.

Mrs. Ed Norman and son have been the guests of Mrs. J. B. Williams for the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Johnson, Mrs. P. H. Davenport and Miss Annie Jones went to Rocky Mount Thursday.

S. D. Matthews, P. P. Peel and F. L. Haislip motored here from Norfolk Friday.

Mrs. F. L. Haislip and children left Friday for Norfolk.

Miss Della Purvis is spending some time in Robersonville.

T. B. Slade left Saturday for Asheville.

Mrs. Martha Purvis spent Saturday in Robersonville.

White-McGuire

Miss Perlie McGuire and Mr. Albert C. White were married at Danville, Va., and came here Monday to spend their honeymoon with relatives in the county. A re-union of the White family was held at the home of Mr. Henry White near Williamston, and a sumptuous feast was provided for the bride and groom and other guests.

The groom is the son of Mr. J. Robert White, and the bride is an attractive young woman of Danville.

August Tobacco Sales

Last year during the month of August, the number of pounds of tobacco sold on the Williamston market was 394, 998; this year with the market opening one week later, the number of pounds sold first hand was 492, 860, being 97, 862 pounds more than the year previous. Of this amount, the Brick Warehouse sold, 152, 685, the Dixie Warehouse, 218, 645 and the Farmers 122, 730 pounds. Every farmer who has brought a pound to this market has realized the topnotch price for every pile. The market is stronger than ever before and the buyers are loading up with Martin County's golden yellow not to mention that of other counties.

The average on the market places it above many in the State and those farmers in the county who go elsewhere to sell have blundered in the choice of markets. Never before has there been better arrangements to care for the farmer's product in the matter of floor space, storage rooms and redrying plant, the latter running night and day with a full force of hands each time.

The sales have not been so heavy since opening day, which was the biggest sale ever held in the county, because the farmers have been busy attending to other crops. But from now on the sales will be large, for right in Williamston is the best in tobacco prices. Get your weed ready and come in and carry home the cash.

Splendid Stock.

Harrison Bros & Co., have greatly enlarged their stock this season by the introduction of a large assortment of Ready-To-Wear clothes for women; in fact they have the largest and best selected stock ever brought to Martin County, as stated in their announcement. The idea of this firm and others in the town as well, is to keep the trade from going elsewhere, and so the show rooms will be stocked with everything for men, women and children. Thousands of dollars go to other towns every season, and the Williamston trade is eagerly sought. There will be no need of this now. Buy at home and keep your merchants alive, and make the town grow.

An Ugly Hole

No doubt when people get off the cars at the depot here, they think that Williamston is a swampy town, and they are not much mistaken. For when they see the hole of muddy water on one side of the railroad track, they would easily get the swamp idea in their minds. The Town Commissioners evidently pass by on the other side, and this, too, when more is said about sanitation than ever before in the history of the place, and a sanitary officer looks after the application of the laws. Whether such a hole is sanitary or unsanitary may not have been decided by the Board, but the public took only one second to decide the matter. Perhaps, the question remains unanswered as to whose duty it is to fill the unsightly hole, whether the railroad folks or the town is responsible. If the former should do the work and will not, there is redress for the town, if the town should do it and remains passive, the railroad authorities should demand that the hole be filled, as it is a reflection on the station. At least, somebody should get busy overtime. Why preach and fail to practice?

Rules of Martin County Board of Health Regarding the Vaccination of School Children Against Smallpox

Be it ordered by the Board of Health of Martin County, North Carolina, that beginning on the 1st day of Sept 1917, the following rules and regulations are in force:

1. That no pupil in any of the public graded, or private schools of Martin County shall be permitted to attend upon the daily sessions of any such school until such pupils shall have submitted proof satisfactory to the teacher, the county health officer, and the superintendent of school, that he or she has been successfully vaccinated within three years next preceding the date of his or her entrance in school.

2. That no person shall enter upon his or her duties as principal, teacher, or janitor in any of the public, graded, or private schools of Martin County until such person shall have submitted proof satisfactory to the county health officer and the county superintendent of schools, that he or she has been successfully vaccinated within three years next preceding the date of the opening of school.

3. That the county health officer may exempt from the operation or the rules concerning vaccination hereinbefore set out any person who shall submit to the county health officer satisfactory proof that he or she has had smallpox; and the county health officer may exempt temporarily any person whose physical condition is such that compliance with the above named rules would be seriously detrimental to his or her health.

PENALTY RULE

(Chapter 62, Section 22. Public Laws 1911 N. C., and as Amended by Section 10, Chapter 181, 1913.)

If any person shall violate any of the rules and regulations made by the County Board of Health, he shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall, for the first offence, be fined not less than five dollars (\$5) nor more than fifty dollars (\$50), and for each subsequent offence not less than ten dollars (\$10) nor more than fifty dollars (\$50); or be imprisoned in the county jail not more than thirty days, or be both fined and imprisoned in the discretion of the court.

Booth-Hornthal

Miss Gladys Hornthal and Mr. Charles Booth were quietly married at the home of the bride at Plymouth, Monday morning at 7:15, Rev. Mr. Lawrence, rector of Grace Church, officiating. Mr. and Mrs. Booth left immediately on the cars via Williamston for Cape Charles, Va., where they will reside.

The bride is the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Louis F. Hornthal and a young woman of charming personality, and has a host of friends in the State and Virginia, who will be pleased to learn of her happiness. She visited Williamston frequently and was one of the most popular young women who came to the town.

Mr. Booth is engaged in business at Cape Charles, and has promise of splendid success in his line of work. For several years he was employed at Plymouth, and is a young man of sterling qualities.

Mrs. James S. Rhodes and little son attended the Booth-Hornthal marriage at Plymouth Monday.

Prominent Minister from Bertie

On the fourth Sunday in last month, Rev. N. J. Todd, pastor of Sandy Run Church, Bertie County, preached at the Baptist Church here. He is one of the strong men of the Church in the East, and delivered a most instructive sermon to a large congregation. The Sandy Run Church has 400 members, and during the meeting held by Rev. W. R. Burrell, there were 38 added, 35 having been baptised by Rev. Burrell. The Sandy Run section is composed largely of Baptist, and Rev. Todd is doing a splendid work among that people. While here he was guest at the Baptist Pastorium.

Meetings at Riddicks grove.

Rev. Edward Burrell, assisted by Rev. W. R. Burrell, has been conducting evangelistic services at Riddicks Grove in Williams Township. There was much interest manifested, and quite a number made professions and joined the Church. The congregation there is one of the most active of those in the country, and a Sunday School with Julian Carr Anderson as superintendent, is in a flourishing condition.

A Valuable Book

The Peoples Bank is giving away a book of valuable information that any farmer will profit by reading as it contains over 100 practical suggestions that will save both Time and Money. The next time you are in town go by and get one as they are Free for asking.

Show Ground Convenient

The Ollie Hamilton show which is advertised in these columns, will pitch its tent on the Dunning lot on the corner of Main and Houghton Streets. This location will make it very convenient for those who desire to see the show, which has a splendid reputation for entertaining its patrons. Don't fail to read ad in this issue.

Dig The Gold Out.

That the South is the land of promise for the agriculturist, no one can dispute, but so many thousands of farmers are still using the same old methods that their fathers used. The gold is in the soil, but old-fashioned machinery is used to dig it out with the results that much of it remains hid below the surface. The West has grown rich because all modern machinery is employed to bring the golden grain to perfection.

Martin County, the soil of which ranks with the best in the South, is not the home of the latest and most improved farm machinery, but it should be. There are several tractors in the county, and this piece of farm machinery has made the West, but no doubt there will be more in the near future. J. C. Crawford is Martin County agent for tractors, in fact for everything that the International Harvester Co. sells. Read ad in this issue and see him about it.

Master Charles H. Godwin, son of Cashier Godwin and nephew of J. G. Staton, President, broke the ground for the Peoples Bank building on Wednesday, and some day, when to manhood grown, he may see an institution which has outgrown the handsome and commodious structure, which is to be an ornament to the town.