

# ENTERPRISE

Williamston, Martin County, North Carolina, Tuesday, February 22, 1921

### PAST MONTH

Roll for the fifth school year, February 12th is here. There is a marked increase over last month, especially the work of the lower grades. A net increase of fifty-five new names is evidence of this improvement. Six of these pupils deserve mention for perfect attendance; the remaining forty-nine are on the roll because of improved work. The complete roll together with comparison of work with that of last months follows. The A roll is for excellent work, attendance and conduct; B-roll is for very good work, attendance and conduct; C roll indicates simply a record of perfect attendance.

### Red Cross to the Rescue of Chinese

Washington, Feb. 20—Operations of the American Red Cross incident to the relief of famine sufferers in China, which has cost the United States \$500,000, were announced in detail today by Ernest P. Kennell, Acting Director of Operations. Explaining the policy of the Red Cross in giving employment to thousands of Chinese and payment of these employees in food supplies, Mr. Kennell said:

"The American Red Cross has undertaken to relieve famine sufferers in a certain strip of territory in the Province of Shantung. We have at the head of the work, John East Baker, an American who has spent some years in China and for a long time has been Technical Advisor to the Chinese Government Railway Administration. His appointment was recommended by Mr. Charles Crane, the American Minister at Peking.

"Mr. Baker travelled through the famine districts assigned to the American Red Cross and after consulting with the highest and most reliable Chinese authorities and leading citizens decided that the best method of aiding the famine sufferers was to provide them with employment and pay them for their work in food supplies. As there was no food to be had in that country, money would have been useless to those people in the purchase of food. The Red Cross therefore buys its supplies in Manchuria or in other distant places, ships it to the famine area and pays it out through a carefully directed commissary department to the heads of families who are employed on the public work the Red Cross has undertaken. The Chinese Government has given a right of way for a much needed road 80 miles long connecting two important cities. The Red Cross is building this road and thus not only providing food relief but at the same time is helping China to construct a valuable roadway of a permanent character."

### SIXTH GRADE—A—TRUHLER WARD PAGE, Evelyn Harrison, Lucille Hassell, Cecil Taylor, Mary Melissa Andrews, Paul Godwin, Bruce Whitley.

### B—Margaret Joyner, Martha Leggett, Mary Harrison, Arthur Britton, Charles Perl, Fred Chesson, James Herbert Ward, Ira Harrison, El Barnhill.

### C—Connie Roberson, Charles Cecil Taylor, Evelyn Harrison, Fred Chesson, Bruce Whitley, James H. Ward, Mary M. Andrews, Martha Leggett, El Barnhill, Trulah W. Page, Norman Ward.

### SEVENTH GRADE—A—None.

### B—Margaret Manning, Laura Orleans, Vivian Taylor, Bill Harrison, Fred Taylor, Benjamin Courtney.

### C—John Booker, William Harrison, Proctor Jones, Fred Taylor, William Howell Williams, Nina Jones, Margaret Manning, Jessie Manning, Laura Orleans, Vivian Taylor.

### EIGHTH GRADE—A—None.

### B—Velma Harrison, Carrie Lee Peel, Bryant Carstarphen, Frederick Hoyt.

### C—Elsie Green, Grace Gravely, Pattie Harris, Velma Harrison, Gladys Mizelle, Sadie Perry, Bryant Carstarphen, William Hodges, George Harris Gaylord Harrison and Robert Manning.

### NINTH GRADE—A—None.

### B—Thelma Brown, Louise Crawford, Bonner Gurganus, Emma B. Harrison, Elizabeth Hassell, Esther Harrison, Martha Harrison, Minnie Robertson, Charles Godwin, Herbert Peel.

### C—Louise Crawford, Emma B. Harrison, Esther Harrison, Martha Harrison, Minnie Robertson, Jessie Stubbs, Ethel Taylor.

### TENTH GRADE—A—None.

### B—None.

### C—None.

### SOME PROFITTEERS STILL AT LARGE

For the term of the war and much of the time since the question of price was seldom asked and people became such easy marks that those who had things to sell felt in their selfish weakness and charged outrageous prices for most things sold. The great trouble of today was brought about by excessive profits, which were so enormous as to choke the market and when a deal came in sight the profit over-shadowed the safety and business was done exclusively for profit. The slump and tightness of times were expected to cure this weakness, and bring men back to the point of fair play and legitimate dealing and this has been done in many cases but one industry seems yet to have the war spirit of greed and avarice. That business is the automobile repair business. Of course this charge is not universal but from recent observation it seems to still exist.

The writer recently had occasion to review a bill for repairing a Ford engine and after studying it for a while we came to wonder that the country is broke and everybody in it. We are further convinced that there is but one thing to do with a Ford when it fails to run and that is to junk it. The repair to the engine referred to took seventy-one and a half hours of labor at \$1.00 per hour.

### SEXTON—HARRISON

Friday afternoon in the presence of a few friends and relatives, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Simon E. Harrison, was solemnized the marriage of their daughter, Lillie Belle to Mr. Frank Sexton, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sexton, of Warsaw, N. C. The bride and groom were accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Harrison, best man. The bride wore a blue tulle suit with blue accessories and carried white roses and lily of the valley. Soon after the ceremony the bridal couple left for Norfolk and Washington.

Mr. Sexton was educated in the Williamston High School and at A. E. Station College in Wilson. She is a sweet, pure type of womanhood and has a large number of friends in Eastern Carolina.

### NOTICE OF SALE

North Carolina  
Martin County  
Notice is hereby given that under and by virtue of a power of sale contained in that certain Deed of Trust executed by Jesse Chance as wife Ligia Chance to the undersigned Trustee, bearing date of October 18th 1920, and of record in the Public Registry of Martin County, North Carolina, in Book G-2, at page 28 said Trust Deed having been given to secure a bond of even date therewith and default having been made in the payment of said bond, and the stipulations in said Deed of Trust not having been complied with, and at the request of the holder of said bond the undersigned Trustee will on Sat. the 16th day of March, 1921, at 12 o'clock noon, in front of the Platters and Merchants Bank, in Everett North Carolina, offer at public sale to the highest bidder, for cash, the following described land, to-wit:

Commencing at an Iron stake about fifty yards from the North Corner of the garden walling of the house and lot that said Jesse Chance now lives in and known as the Henry Bonds house; thence a westerly course sixty yards (60) to a iron stake at a corner; thence a southeasterly course nearly in line with the dividing walling of said Bonds house and the Henry Wallace house, one hundred and twenty five yards to a iron stake at a corner; thence an easterly course parallel with the railroad to a iron stake thirty yards; thence a northerly course to the beginning and containing nearly two acres more or less.

This the 18th day of February 1921.  
R. N. GRIMES  
Trustee. P. M. W. b. TETT

### TWO HOUSES FOR RENT!

with six and seven rooms each. Good water. Electric lights. Houses in good location in the town of Robersonville, N. C. For further information, apply to A. R. Dunning, Williamston, N. C.  
W. T. W.

### Local News, and Personal Mention

Mr. and Mrs. Ciceloff of Statesville are visiting Mrs. Ciceloff's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Britt.

Dr. George Lay of Blanford preached two very fine sermons in the Church of the Advent Sunday and both services were well attended.

Mr. R. J. Peel, Clerk of the Superior Court, is in his office again after a second attack of influenza.

Messrs. Luther Peel and C. D. Carstarphen, Jr. and Dr. John D. Biggs are in Belhaven this week attending the meeting of Group number one of the North Carolina Bankers Association.

Miss Eva Peel of the Oak City School Faculty spent the weekend at home with her parents.

Mr. Frank Margolis spent Sunday in Plymouth the guest of Mr. A. H. Adler.

Mr. Hubert M. Ballard of Washington, D. C. spent yesterday in town on business.

Mr. Frank Margolis of Margolis Bros. and Brooks left yesterday afternoon for Warsaw, N. C. where he will meet Mr. Brooks of the same firm and both will leave for the New York market to buy their spring lines for both stores. While away Mr. Margolis will visit relatives in New York and Philadelphia and he will be in Washington on March 4 in connection with the bridge inquiry.

Mr. W. R. Newton, of the City Water Department has returned from Chicago, where he was visiting his mother.

Mr. T. F. Harrison left yesterday for Baltimore, Philadelphia and New York to buy spring goods for Harrison Brothers store. Mr. Harrison will be joined in Baltimore by Mrs. Anna Harrison who will purchase the spring stock for the millinery department.

Mr. R. O. Martin of Jamesville was a business visitor here yesterday.

Mr. R. E. Roberson went to Washington yesterday for a few days.

Mr. Harry A. Biggs is attending the Bankers Meeting in Belhaven today.

Mr. J. G. Godard is in Raleigh today on business.

The banks and post office have been closed today, February 22nd Washington's Birthday.

Miss Mary Cook returned Saturday from Petersburg, where she has been visiting her cousin, Miss Allie Cook.

Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Sisco of Stateville are here this week, visiting Mr. Sisco's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Britt.

Mr. O. R. Anderson of New York is spending a few days here with his wife.

Mr. Noah S. Godard has returned from a visit to relatives in Smithfield.

Messrs. J. G. Godard, 2nd, and Charles Mobley were invited by the Order of Elks in Washington Friday night. Several of their friends accompanied them on the trip and enjoyed the fun.

The river water is high and work on the highway has been suspended for a few days. There has been no further information in regard to the bridge contracts but it is known the Boyle & Roberson of Washington, D. C. accepted the work.

Miss Mary Louise Carstarphen has returned from Oak City where she has been employed in her capacity as a trained nurse.

In our last weeks personals we neglected to say that Mr. Jesse T. Dunning was in the party spending the day in Washington Wednesday. It was our intention to forget "Jesse."

### ERNEST HARRISON ENTERS

Ernest Harrison celebrated his sixth birthday with about thirty of his little friends in attendance at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Harrison. The holiday colors of red, white and blue were effective and the favors of little baskets filled with candy were given with refreshments. Ice cream, cake, candies, and peanuts were served.

### NOTICE

Having qualified as administrator of the estate of Annie M. Purvis, of the county of Martin, all persons indebted to said estate are hereby notified to come forward and settle same at once. All persons holding claims against said estate will present same to said administrator on or before November 16th, 1921, or this notice will be read in bar of their recovery.

This November 16th, 1920,  
J. H. PURVIS,  
Administrator. D.30. 46.

### CAMPAGN FOR SIGNERS TO PEANUT CONTRACT

J. Frank Foshie, secretary and manager of the Cooperative Peanut Exchange at Suffolk, was in Williamston Friday and while here made preparations for the campaign for signers in Martin County, which is to begin this week. Full announcement of the opening of this campaign is contained in the following circular letter, which has been sent to several hundred growers in this county:

Dear Friend:

Our campaign for signers to the growers contract will begin in your county this week and we are counting on the growers of Martin giving this movement their full support.

Meetings will be held Saturday afternoon at 8 o'clock at Williamston and Robersonville, and other meetings at various points in the county will be arranged and due notice given.

We have now over 3,700 signers to the contract, totalling 900 bags and representing 36 per cent of the peanut grown in Virginia and North Carolina. Practically all these signers have come from the counties north of the Roanoke river, and as Martin is the first county south of the Roanoke in which we have arranged for a thorough and systematic canvass, our success in your county will have a very important bearing on the future of this great work.

We are greatly pleased to learn that Martin is a county of home owners and that most of the farming in the county is done by farmers who live on their own land. It is also very gratifying to learn that in this time of depression conditions are decidedly better in Martin, whose farmers have not had all their eggs in one basket, than in most other counties of Eastern Carolina.

We are enclosing you herewith one of the contracts we are calling upon the growers to sign and trust that you will take the trouble to look it over in advance of our coming. Your protection is that it does not become effective until 50 per cent of the peanuts grown in these two states are signed up, and so after all its strength is in the number of growers who will sign. Another great point in its favor is that it is binding for a period of seven years, thus making the Exchange a business organization with permanency right from the beginning.

For your own best interest we want you to attend the meeting nearest you and to give this matter your serious consideration. This movement is promoted wholly by the growers themselves for their own good and for the good of their county and the state, and the men who come to represent this matter to you come as representatives of the growers. In addition to our own field men, the Extension Division of North Carolina will have some of its agents with us to lend a helping hand to put the great movement through, as these agricultural leaders realize that the time has come for the growers to organize their own marketing associations for the more profitable sale of the products they produce. We want you to join with your fellow-growers in their efforts to make for their future independence.

Mr. W. T. Meadows, Treasurer of the Exchange, is in town today and will be glad to answer any questions you may have.

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### NOTICE

If you don't pay your electric light bills on or before the 21st of Feb. service will be discontinued. Fair Warning.

We hope to be able to move our new plant on or about March 1st. The rates after we move up town will be cut to 15c per kilowatt.

W. T. MEADOWS, Treasurer

### NOTICE

North Carolina  
Martin County  
Mary Killebrew  
vs  
Noah Killebrew  
The defendant above named, will take notice that an action entitled as above has been commenced in the Superior Court of Martin County, North Carolina, to obtain an absolute divorce; and the said defendant, will take notice that he is required to appear before the Clerk of the Superior Court of Martin County, North Carolina, at his office in Williamston on the 19 day of March, 1921, and answer or demur to the Complaint of the plaintiff in said action, or the plaintiff will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in the said Complaint.

This the 17th day of Feb. 1921.  
R. J. PEEL,  
Clerk of the Superior Court.  
Elbert S. Peel, Attorney for Plaintiff.  
W. H. D. TETT

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### TOBACCO MARKET ABOUT THE SAME

The temperament of the tobacco market remains tranquil and each day a few loads of the weed are brought in. Prices are ranging about the same over Eastern Carolina, and Martin farmers are selling their tobacco in Martin again. It is possible that the warehouses will not close until after March 4th, anyway, and may remain open during the month of March. "Brother Kader Crawford," is in fine trim and since the insurance business is slow, "advocate" a long season. Old man Buck Meadows is buying 100 per cent of the tobacco and F. W. Graves is tired following sales. The average grade of tobacco being sold is fair. Most of the season's crop has been marketed already.

### FOREST FIRES

What shall North Carolina do about the great loss by forest fires? This is a real live question and one on whose answer we are dependent. During the five year period, from 1919 to 1913 the average number of fires reported per year in North Carolina was 633. These fires burned each year about 415,000 acres, at an average loss of \$650,000, and two lives.

The cost each year to private individuals of fighting these fires was about \$20,000. The losses and deaths should be stopped, if possible, at least greatly reduced. This can be done by the creation of a fire department at this season of the year, when fires are likely to get out and spread.

The Insurance Commissioner appeal to all citizens not to start outside fires on windy days or leave them to be fanned into flames or spread by winds rising during the night. Fire is used too promiscuously and carelessly for burning of new lands being opened, as well as other lands covered with vegetation. Hunters, teamsters, and sawyers must exercise more care with their fires and matches.

All cases of careless as well as intentional starting of fires that damage lands and forests should be reported to the Insurance Commissioner, so that they may be investigated, and where the evidence justifies it, vigorous prosecutions instituted.

The loss from these causes since 1913 has been even greater each year.

### BRIGHT FUTURE FOR FAIR

Mr. Frank West of Boston, Mass. will arrive Thursday to sign contracts with the Martin County Fair Association for presenting the "Bright Light" show at the Martin County Fair to be held in October. The "Bright Light" show is one of the best in the East and pays a handsome dividend right compared to what was received by the Association last year. Mr. W. A. Stone was connected with this show until last year and he recommends it highly. Mr. Rankin of Raleigh will be in town this week in the interest of the Fair and prospects are that a rising good meeting will be held by the Directors and a new instructive program made out for the coming Fair this fall.

### FARM WANTED—Wanted to hear from owner of farm or good land for sale worth the price asked.

L. JONES  
Box 551, Olney, Ill.

### LOST: TWO NEW FORD TIRES

between Williamston and Robersonville. Return to Atlantic Hotel and receive \$10.00 reward. 2-22-21

### NOTICE

The stock law is effective March 15th, as provided. We have just received two car loads of wire fencing, also 1 carload of No. 1 Timothy hay, and 500 bushels of Burr's 90-day seed oats. To be sold cheap for cash. C. D. Carstarphen & Co.



The attraction at the Strand Theatre, Tuesday night, March the 1st, will be "Passion," a massive ninepart super-drama in which Pola Negri, the famous Continental actress, is starred. It is said this latest screen production of the ultra-big class is a sensational hit.

## STRAND THEATRE

—THURSDAY—  
JOHN BARRYMORE in  
"Dr. JEYKLL and Mr. HYDE"  
5c and 50c

—FRIDAY—  
Sennett Comedy—Uncle Tom Without the Cabin!  
Fatty Arbuckle's partner, Buster Keaton in 2 reel Special Comedy "Velvet Fingers" Episode No. 11  
5c and 50c

—SATURDAY—  
WM. S. HART in  
"The Return of 'Draw' Egan"  
"SNUB POLLARD in  
"THE DINKY FOUR"  
5c and 50c

DON'T FAIL TO SEE  
John Barrymore  
IN  
"Dr. JEYKLL"  
AND  
"Mr. HYDE"  
STRAND THEATRE  
Thursday, Feb. 24.  
5c AND 50c