

## SPECIAL SERIES OF MEETING AT BAPTIST CHURCH

DR. J. W. KENCHELOE OF ROCKY MOUNT, AND REV. JOYNER TO CONDUCT SERVICES

There will be a special series of revival services held at the Memorial Baptist church beginning Sunday morning, March 25, conducted by the pastor and Dr. J. W. Kenchelo, pastor of the First Baptist church of Rocky Mount, N. C. Dr. Kenchelo is one of the strongest ministers in North Carolina, and a most successful pastor. He comes to us, not as a professional evangelist, but as a pastor, with a pastor's love and sympathy. I feel that our church and entire town and community are most fortunate in having the opportunity of hearing Dr. Kenchelo in these special meetings.

Dr. Kenchelo will bring to us his first message Monday evening at 7:45. Beginning Tuesday afternoon, he will preach at 7:45 and in the evening at 7:45, continuing throughout the week at these hours.

The pastor of the church, and in behalf of my entire church and congregation, I desire to extend a cordial invitation to all the people of the town and community to attend all these services. Especially do we desire and ask for the prayers and cooperation of all the Christian people of the town and community. These services, if we will do our part, will bring a real blessing to every church and each home in our community.

A. V. Joyner, Pastor.

## WILL HOLD GROUP SCHOOL MEETINGS

DR. E. C. BROOKS CALLS STATE CONFERENCE OF OFFICIALS TO DISCUSS SCHOOL CODE

RALEIGH, Mar. 22.—Dr. E. C. Brooks, superintendent of public instruction, has called six group meetings of county school authorities, including county and city superintendents and members of school boards and committees for the discussion of the new school code. The meetings which will begin in Asheville, April 11, will include Charlotte, April 13; Greensboro, April 18; Raleigh, April 20; Greenville, April 25; and Wilmington, April 27.

Topics to be discussed at each of these group meetings include preparation of old indebtedness; provisions for the erection of new school houses, new local tax and bond laws; county wide plan of school organization; duties of county boards of education, county commissioner, and school committees.

The laws pertaining to these six topics have all been rewritten and county boards of education and county commissioners are supposed to work together in preparing the budget, in raising the necessary funds for maintaining the school term, and for erecting needed buildings. The purpose of these meetings, therefore, is to acquaint as many county officials as possible with the new laws, before May 1st, when each county must begin to plan for the new school year. It is earnestly hoped that each superintendent will urge as many members of each board to be present as can conveniently attend, and invite any citizen of his county to attend who may be interested in these questions.

The new school law will be ready for distribution by April 1st, and copies will be sent to superintendents for distribution in towns for those interested in the meetings to become acquainted with the changes in the law before the dates fixed above. A full attendance is desired in order that the new laws may be fully discussed and explained to as large a group of officials as it is possible for us to reach, informs Superintendent Brooks.

## WILLIAMSTONIANS ATTENDED SOCIETY MEET AT WINDSOR

A number of delegates from the Women's Missionary society here went to Windsor to attend a union meeting of the three counties of Bertie, Martin and Hertford. Those attending were Mesdames L. B. Harrison, George Gurganus, and M. E. Chambers, Misses Deborah Fleming, Mary Leggett, and Mary Clyde Leggett, and the pastor, Rev. M. E. Chambers. Miss Emma Graham of Warrington, secretary of the Windsor district, spoke to the society here Friday afternoon and rendered valuable service in the perfection of the local organization.

## BELGIUM STRICT IN RULES OF MARRIAGE

This Fact Brought Out By Letter Showing Straights of An American Suitor

GREENVILLE, S. C., Mar. 21.—Pluck little Belgium must know the family history of an American citizen before she will grant to that citizen one of her daughters in matrimony. At least that is the meaning placed upon a letter received by Dr. C. E. Smith, health commissioner for Greenville, from Charles Cools, of St. Nicholas, Belgium. In this letter Mr. Cools asked for a copy of a death certificate of his mother, who he says, was struck by lightning here in 1907 and killed.

Cools wished to get married to a Belgian girl, but before the authorities would issue license, they must know the circumstances of his mother's death.

Dr. Smith said the death certificate was not yet available as the city did not begin to keep such records until about 1910, which date was five years ahead of the state requiring this.

## QUEEN DAY HELD WILSON JUBILEE

MANY CONTESTANTS OUT FOR THE PRIZES OFFERED BY COMMERCE CHAMBERS

WILSON, Mar. 22.—This is Queen's day at the Eastern Carolina exposition and the admirers of the contestants are working like Trojans for their favorites. Two \$500 diamond rings are the trophies sought for one to the most beautiful lady in Wilson county, the other to the lady receiving the greatest number of votes from the other 46 counties at large.

The three prizes for the most attractive floats in Wednesday's street parade were awarded: Wilson's Woman's club, first \$100; Farnville Magazine club, second; Elm City tobacco barn float, third.

The crowning glory to this eventful day was the "queen's ball" this evening at convention hall. The queens outside of Wilson contesting for the diamond ring are: Miss Mary Sue Carroll, of Wallace; Mrs. F. J. Hounds, Jr., of Weldon; Miss Hilda Randolph, of Kinston; Miss Della Wicker, of Warrenton; Miss Polly Campbell, of Washington; Miss Lucile Johnson, of Smithfield; Miss Sue Best Morrill, of Snow Hill; Miss Ruby Riggsbee, of Farnville; Miss Dorothy Simmons, of Goldsboro; Mrs. J. N. Vann, of Ahoskie; Miss Inez Edgerton, of Kenly; Mrs. Mildred McGlohon, of Ayden; Miss Mary Chamberlain Howard, of Tarboro; Miss Emelie Bissett, of Nashville, and Miss Nina Upton of Williamston.

## LEADING COLORED CITIZEN OF MARTIN COUNTY DEAD

Martin county's leading colored citizen died Sunday, at his home in Jamesville, after a week's illness, at the ripe old age of 79 years, lacking only two months of reaching the four score mark. He was born in Detroit, Michigan; and in his early years he spent to Canada where he lived until he was eighteen, when he moved to Haiti, West Indies; moving to Jamesville from Haiti where he lived for 50 years.

He organized the Tabernacle of Love and Charity, which has grown into a strong charitable and insurance organization, approved and recognized by the State Insurance department.

He was mayor of Jamesville for two years, from 1875 to 1877; was a justice of the peace for 7 years; and was twice delegate to the Republican National convention, first at Chicago and next at Minneapolis. He was a member of the county board of education for one term during the Fusion period; taught school in Jamesville for more than thirty years.

He had been a member of the Williamston Episcopal church for forty years. He was buried in Jamesville Thursday.

No citizen of the community was more highly respected for truth and honesty than J. P. Butler; he was always quiet, never hot headed and rash. He did much for his race in education and his influence was always on the right side. He taught truth and honesty as the base of good citizenship.

## CHURCH OF ADVENT, EPISCOPAL

Sunday school 9:45 a. m., H. M. Stubbs, superintendent. The public is cordially invited to attend these services.

## SUPERIOR COURT PROGRESSING WITH SIX MURDER CASES

JUDGE AND SOLICITOR WORK WITH ALL THEIR MIGHT TO CLEAN OUT COUNTY JAIL OF ALL CRIMINALS, BUT SESSION WILL LIKELY LAST INTO NEXT WEEK

Judge Sinclair moves things along with a good pace, but can't possibly clean out Sheriff Roberson's "boarding house" this week; the sheriff entertained 19 last night, which is possibly the largest population the Martin county jail ever enumerated, and Judge Sinclair and Solicitor Allbrook will have to spend some time next week here to clear the criminal dock. Practically every case being for murder, except a few minor appeals from the recorder's court. There are six separate murder cases.

One of the cases charging George Baston, colored, with killing his wife, has created considerable comment in the Dardens section where the incident occurred. Cases already disposed of are as follows:

State vs John Jones and O. W. Jones. Verdict of the jury is that O. W. Jones is not guilty and John Jones is guilty. Judgment of the court that John Jones be sentenced to the road for a term of one year.

State vs Norline Yarrell, abandonment. Guilty, hired out for one year to W. W. Griffin, upon the payment of \$75 fine and costs.

State vs Ben Reeves, assault with

## A TWO WEEKS' SERVICE AT PENTECOSTAL HOLINESS CHURCH BEGINNING MAR 29

There will be a revival meeting at the Pentecostal Holiness church near Williamston, N. C., commencing Friday night, before the first Sunday in April, and will continue through the following two weeks. Services will be held each night at 7:30 o'clock. All are cordially invited to attend, and a hearty welcome awaits you. Preaching by Rev. W. T. Merritt, the pastor, and Rev. J. A. Wallace.

According to scientist "E" is the easiest letter to hear.

## CHARITABLE ORGANIZATION MET AT ROBERSONVILLE

The Martin county Council of the Charitable Brotherhood held its meeting with the Robersonville lodge on March 14th.

A good representation from the various subordinate lodges of the county was present. The next meeting of the council will be a joint meeting with the Washington county lodges in June, near Plymouth.

The officers of the council are: J. W. Ward, president, J. T. Lee, chairman; E. L. Ward, secretary, and W. H. Roebuck, treasurer.

## CAN PEOPLE STAND RAILROAD RATES

COSTS NEARLY \$100 TO SHIP A CAR FROM GREENVILLE TO WILLIAMSTON

A few days ago Mr. W. E. Beatty shipped a car load of oranges from Florida to Greenville for which he paid \$250 freight; he let the car stand on the tracks in Greenville for a few days and paid \$63 demurrage. After selling what the Greenville paid \$250 freight; he let the car with the residue of the oranges to Williamston, where he paid a freight charge of \$99.95. Note the cost of the shipment from Greenville to Williamston—about 30 miles—\$99.95 on a part of a car load of oranges.

The railroads are loading the public down with freight charges. In some instances they are charging the farmers twelve times as much freight on potatoes as the farmers are getting. That is in our United States, in this month of March, A. D. 1923, and yet when the country gasps for relief and here and there a man is found who has the courage to fight them, that shippers may have a show they have to charge a Hindenburg line of lobbyists—advised, paid and maintained by the railroads.

When the people ask for fair play they are handed the old railroad slogan, "undemocratic, dangerous," and thereby fool the folks and take a deeper hold next time.

## TOBACCO GROWERS FILE FOUR ADDITIONAL SUITS

One of Them Against Martin County Farmer; Judgments Are Still Undetermined

RALEIGH, Mar. 22.—Four suits against members alleged to have broken contracts, the first actions of the kind to be filed in several months, were instituted by the Tobacco Growers' Cooperative association in Wake county superior court yesterday.

Last fall the association instituted about 150 suits against members, seeking damages at the rate of five cents a pound for all tobacco alleged to have been delivered outside of the association, in addition to attorneys' fees. The injunction against further deliveries were also secured in about 20 cases in which injunctions were secured are now pending in the supreme court. None of the cases have been tried on their merits, but Vitruvius Royster, clerk of Wake county superior court, granted about 30 judgments by default, and inquiry in December and January. These cases have not yet been submitted to a jury for appraisal of damages.

Names of the defendants named in suits brought yesterday, together with the counties of their residences and the damages sought in each are as follows:

- A. L. Faulkner, Johnston, \$350.
- W. S. White, Martin, \$350.
- W. F. Mercer, Duplin, \$350.
- W. B. Moss, Wake, \$400.

## SHRINERS HAVE PLANNED VERY INTERESTING EVENT

WASHINGTON, Mar. 22.—The Shrine club announce that the evening's entertainment on May 17, next when Sudan Temple will put on its ceremonial, will be of a character that will make the events remain in the memory of the participants for an indefinite period.

The fireworks display will be on a huge scale and will depict Shrine features including camels, emblems, and, of course, a novice, "holding the rope." The ball will include a rose dance, a snow dance and best of all, thirty of Washington's beautiful young ladies will see that Shriners have not a dull moment. A prize will be given to the most attractive young lady at the ball. Every Noble should be there. Get extravagant and mail a post card and tell us you are coming.

## ROANOKE RIVER TO HIGH MARK ALMOST

THE YELLOW WATERS OF THE ROANOKE RIVER ARE NOW ON A RAMPAGE

What is expected to be the highest water for twenty years is rushing down. The crest of the flood will probably reach Williamston Saturday. It is thought that the water at Scotland Neck is about 18 inches lower than the "Great Centennial," of 1876.

No serious damage is apprehended, though practically the whole of the river low ground is already several feet under water.

## WASHINGTON CONCERN GIVES FARMERS AID TO FIGHT WEEVIL

WILL CAN TOMATOES AND OTHER PRODUCE RAISED IN THIS SECTION

Farmers and gardeners of this section will now be in reach of a canning factory. J. M. Swindell and company of Washington will can tomatoes this season on a large scale, being prepared to handle the products from 300 acres with a normal yield.

The farmers in sections where they can dispose of tomatoes to canning factories generally find it a very profitable business.

Mr. Swindell says he will be prepared to take all that come at good prices. Read his adv. in this issue of The Enterprise.

He also will furnish the farmers of this neighborhood plants ready for setting which will greatly aid a1 who go into the tomato raising business. This enterprise will make fighting the boll weevil easier for those who take advantage of this opportunity. Tomatoes are a profitable crop when produced on a large scale, and it is up to the farmers of this section to get started this year with an acre or so, which will enable them to get the experience needed in raising them as a money crop.

## GRAND JURY INDICTS THREE YOUNG WHITE MEN FOR MURDER

OCCURRED IN BEAR GRASS SECTION IN 1919, AND EVIDENCE IS NOW COMPLETE

The grand jury indicted three young white men for killing an old negro man near Bear Grass in January, 1919. The old man was decoyed out of his house, and shot on his porch; he was shot as much as twice at about 11 o'clock at night, and fell in the yard with his feet lodging on the door steps. An inquest was held, but information was very scarce, and nothing more than rambling suspicion could be found.

The late Sheriff Page was developing the evidence when he died nearly a year after the murder. Then Sheriff Roberson had to pick up the trail here and there until a true bill was made against Riddick Mizell, Isaac Mizell and Jim Gat Mizell on Thursday, and Sheriff Roberson with Deputy C. James made arrests at once and there are now in jail.

They will probably be tried Monday for their lives. These young men have been called rough fellows, having on several occasions been the principals in shooting frolics. On one occasion shooting each other high up to death. The murder was one of the coldest blooded and most brutal committed in our county for many years.

## ANOTHER DISEASE ALWAYS FOLLOWS

IS DREADED BY A FEW OF WILLIAMSTON'S INHABITANTS, BUT IS NOT FATAL

Not in the history of the oldest inhabitant of Williamston, has there been such an epidemic as that which swept the town recently. With very few exceptions every child in town, not immune, had the measles, and this was followed in many cases by a slight attack of the influenza. Fortunately, there were no deaths, and like all things, this, too, passed away.

Now, another disease has struck the town, but its victims are the grown-ups. This disease attacks usually in the spring, and leaves no bad results. It is a disease everybody should have, at least once a year, and the spring is the most propitious time for its appearance. Only a few "lax bones" dread this disease, because it invigorates and beautifies; it means better sanitation; and it cheers but does not inebriate. It is the red-blooded inhabitant who has the worst attack, and the signs show more plainly around and about him.

It is a common disease, and has attacked the world ever since the cave man and woman developed into the house-builder; when their hearts and hands joined to make their surroundings a fit place for the "lord of creation" and his fair lady. In extremely plain English, this malady is called "spring fever" with a temperature producing a "clean-up" desire in the patient. When this desire is the strongest, you will see old fences removed or repaired, grass freed from maul the debris left by the winter's winds, new shrubs and trees planted, old ones pruned or removed, the paint brush being used freely, and a general rehabilitation of both the residence and premises.

Many of the people of Williamston have already had an attack, but there are others who need to have a long spell—one that will do wonders for the places they call "home sweet home." When there are none who have escaped, will not this town of ours, which has so much to offer in the way of beauty, become a dream of a place in which to dwell, and the wayfarer man, though a severe critic, will speak of it in terms of praise forever?

Why not get inoculated with the serum of this "clean-up" fever today?—It will not pay to wait. Your neighbors are enjoying it, why not you, Mr. Citizen? Next week is "Clean-Up Week."

W. H. Gurkin, Chairman Beautification Committee, Chamber of Commerce.

## CHRISTIAN CHURCH

A. J. Manning, Pastor. Sunday school 9:45 a. m., W. C. Manning, supt. Morning services 11 a. m., second and fourth Sundays. Evening services 7:30 p. m., Christian Endeavor 6:45 p. m. All are cordially invited to attend these services.

# CLEAN-UP WEEK

## WHY?

Because the last week of March has been proclaimed as CLEAN-UP WEEK, throughout every city, town, and hamlet of North Carolina.

## WHO?

Every citizen, white or colored, old or young, rich or poor, who desires to make our state a cleaner and better place to live.

## WHAT?

Your untidy back yard with its weeds, cans and rubbish. Your dirty outbuildings filled with shavings, paper and trash so liable to fire. Your attics with loose paper and plunder you will never need again.

Your filled up drainways, that are breeding places for mosquitoes and diseases. Your chimneys and flues, that may be a fire risk to you and your neighbor.

## WHEN?

During the week of March 25-31, 1923, when your neighbors and all patriotic citizens should be intent on cleaning up their houses and their premises.

## HOW?

Let all members of the family do their part in gathering all brush, weeds, bottles, cans, papers, shavings, rubbish and trash, and start it toward the dump heap.

No objection will be made if you spread a little paint or white wash.

LET ONE AND ALL START THAT TRASH ON THE ROAD TO THE DUMP HEAP!