YOUR SUBSCRIPTION EXPIRES

#### ESTABLISHED 1898

#### Young Peoples **Missionary Society** Is Organized

Sunday afternoon at the Methodist church, Mrs. W. C. Liverman organized a Young Peoples Missionary society among the young people of the Methodist church.

After Mrs. Liverman read the scripture from the 9th chapter Acts, Mrs. B. D. Critcher lead in prayer. Then the following officers were elected: Mrs. W. H. Booker president; Mics Josephine Sykes vice president; Miss Martha Leggett, Corr. Secretary; Miss Minnie Robert son, recording secretary; Miss Evelyn Harrison, superintendent of study and publicity; Miss Mary Clyde Leggett, superintendent of social cervice.

After discussing a few business matters, the meeting adjourned with the Lords Prayer.

#### **Wreck Rumor Proves** To Be of False Nature

Following a clue that had been put in wide circulation about the streets, our reporter set out last night in search of a wreck which was supposed to have occurred just across the river bridge. Picturing the scene as a most horrible one, several injured for life, etc., the reporter pushed the little Ford on and on. One bridge was passed, a second one was passed and then stock in any kind of accident began to hover just below par. A third bridge was passed and in spite of it all our reporter still believed the wreck to be just around the corner. And not until he witnessed the peace ful atmosphere in Windsor where no trace of excitement whatever was to be found, but where the older folks were enjoying a game of pitch under the bright lights of a poster advertising board, he give it up. Brande as a "cedar bird" and ashamed to ask about an accident in such a peaceful surrounding, our reporter returned with revenge in his heart.

Combing the clues back to a point where a terrible wreck was in the making it was found that a call had been sent to Washington, telling that several people were badly crippled in many citizens failed to find the sup-Washington in search of the injured ones, and to be kind about one-half of our town assisted in the search. It was all in vain, for if a wreck has come about in the last twenty-four hours we know nothing about it, and we have reasons to believe after searching the by-ways that there has

A long distance call, filed yesterday afternoon in the local telephone office and taken from a long distance pay station is thought to be the one that carried the false alarm to Washington. The news came back here by auto and was proved false when the a wreck near here. One car came from posed wreck.

# **Commissioners of Two**

The Town Commissioners of Hamilton and Oak City met in joint session last night at Oak City for the purpose of considering the lighting of the two towns. The Boards have several propsoitions before them and at present no definite one has been decided upon.

Hamilton held an election a few days ago and out of 81 eligible to vote not a one voted against the issuing of \$15,000 light bonds. The commissioners of the two towns are in earnest and have the support of all their citizens, and we feel safe when we safe that these two towns will have lights within the next few

Attend the Chamber of Com meeting next Friday afternoon the Roanoke warehouse.

#### Strand Theatre

TONIGHT

Feet of Clay

with Pola Negri

#### TOMORROW orbidden Paradise

Cecil B. De Mille's mast with Rod LaRoque, Vers

molds, Ricardo Cortez, Julia

### June Term Martin County **Superior Court Convened** Monday; Sinclair Presiding

#### **Grand Jury Returns** Its Special Report

The report handed back by the grand jury today varied very little in the main from those of former courts. The report called attention to this one thing, o. kehed another, but the one point that has been of unaltered nature is found in that part where the County Home was mentioned. Not so many months ago a member of a similar jury stated that the Home was not fit for even a dog to live in. The latest report states that there is a need for bedsteads. If bed steads are needed it is likely that there are other needs.

The following report was handed back by the grand jury after it had visited and investigated the several places as pointed out in the charge of the Judge yesterday morning:

"We, members of the grand jury have investigated and have acted upon all bills presented to us and all other matters that came before as jury.

"We visited the County Home and found it to be badly in need of equipment of different kinds such as new bed steads and bed linen, and other necessities.

"The closets behind the City Hall are in an unsanitary condition and we as members of the grand jury, recomend that they be put in a sanitary ondition and looked after more care fully in the future.

The county jail is in very good condition as far as cleanliness is concerned. However, we noticed a few eaks in the roof which should be repaired.

"We visited the various county of fices, clerk of court, register of deeds and sheriff's, and found them to be in good condition as far are we were able to ascertain.
N. C. GREEN, Foreman."

#### No Evening Union Services this Summer

To the Public:

Several weeks ago I proposed to the pastors of the town that all the churches in Williamston unite in an open air service on the Sunday even ngs during July and August. A few days ago the ministers came together and discussed the advisability of such a movement. At that time it was thought to be a good move toward bringing the various churches closer together and developing the spirit of cooperation. It was decided however, that the pastors were to take the then the plans and idea would be car- ilton. Scott made his escape and for figure and the election of policeried through.

This idea was proposed good faith and with the sole intent of bringing the various organizations of Christians in the town and com-

munity closer together. I have been informed however, that one congregation has already voted not to participate in these proposed services. Therefore the whole matter will be dropped.

> Sincerely, REV. C. O. PARDO, Rector Episcopal Church.

### 5 and 10 Cent Store **Opened Last Saturday**

The McCall five and ten cent store pen for business last Saturday in store formerly occupied by the Williamston fruit stand. The store has a red front and compares favorably with the yellow front of Pen der's which is right next door.

Mr. McCall has been busy for the past several weeks, equipping his store with articles that are to be found in stores of this " are. He will

HALF PRICE SUP OF DRESSES

The entire line of peautiful dresse in the stock of J. K. Hoyt has been placed on the market at one-half the original price. This is one of the greatest sales ever put on by Mr. Hoyt and he has staged some very successful ones. One-half price with unrestricted choice is what he is of-

CARD OF THANKS

tion to those who were so kind in their ministrations during the illness and at the time of the death of our father.—The children of J. H. Purvis

Attend the Chamber of Com eeting Friday afternoon at the Ros-ke warehouse. Important,

#### Smithwick Required to Pay County \$500 for for Part in Mutilation

The June term of Martin County Superior court convened yesterday norning at 11:30 o'clock with Judge N. A. Sinclair of Fayetteville presiding and Solicitor Donnell Gilliam prosecuting.

The following grand jury was seected, N. C. Green, foreman; L. P. Holliday, L. W. Mizell, J. D. Leggett, B. W. Hardy, L. P. Lindsley, L. A. Thompson, R. A. Edmondson, S. J. Lilley, E. H. Manning, Alanzo Roberson, W. J. Johnson, J. K. Ross, J E. Hederick, W. A. Perry, A. T. Lilley, S. L. Grimes and W. A. Flem-

Judge Sinclair made one of the shortest charges ever delivered to a Martin county grand jury, touching principally the business proceedure of grand jury and the law requiring all public officers handling public funds to publish annual reports. He stressed especially this point when speaking about the County Board of Education. The need for fire protection in public buildings was mentioned in his charge. He stated the need for having two stairways and swinging doors where a building was used for public meetings.

He mildly, in view of the real facts in the case, paid a few compliments to the Martin county jail and directed the grand jury to look carefully into that matter. The activities of the County Board of Health and its duty was pointed out by him. He stated that it was the duty of the County Board of Health to lookafter such public places as the County Home, the markets, depots and other public

places of similar nature.
In explaining the law requiring publication of all receipts and disbursements, the judge declared no reflection was meant, but that the law required it so that all people might know what becomes of the public fund. Nothing tends more to keep men honest than publicity, said Judge Sin-

oard, county board of commissioners, board of education, in fact all other people collecting, appropriating and paying out public funds are required by law to publish their accounts.

The case of Isath Hardison was tried and the defendant was fined \$25.00 and the cost of the action. He plead guilty to a charge of house

Charles Scott was tried for murmatter to their congregations and if der, which he committed eight years all the congregations voted to do so ago on the Rainbow farm near Ham- went into the matters of the town's more than seven years he lived in men for the coming year. tured last March. Since that time he has been in the jail here awaiting

> duced then the defendant plead guilty He was sentenced to the State's prison for not less than 10 years nor more than 12 years.

John T. Smithwick, who was charged with participating in the Needleman assault, and who was sick with pneumonia at the last term of court did not resist a verdict as an acces sory and was permitted to plead guil-

He was required to pay to the ounty the sum of \$500 and the cost

of his case. John McKeel who was convicted of seduction at the December term of court and who failed to comply with the former order of the court, was called and a sentance of not more than hree nor less than two years at hard labor in the State's prison was given him. Upon .. plea of his council, this judgment was continued until the September term, and if the defendant pays to the prosecuting

witness the sum of \$300 to be void. John Etheridge, a fat young negro not yet 20 years old was arrayed under an indictment charging murder He was without council and the court appointed A. R. Dunning to defend him. The solicitor agreed to not ask for a first degree verdict, but charged second degree murder or man slaughter.

This was a case of killing growing cut of a minor argument at a party It seemed that Jim Lee, who was present, also did some shooting but was found not guilty at a regular term of court in 1923 soon after the killing which occurred January 25, 1923, on a farm near Oak City.

Etheridge made his escape after the shooting and stayed in Virginia The trial only consus

#### CHAMBER OF COMMERCE TO MEET FRIDAY

There will be a meeting of the Chamber of Commerce at the Roanoke warehouse Friday afternoon at 5 o'clock.

Every member is urgently re-

quested to attend this meeting. Many important questions will be brought up for discussion. Such problems as the tobacco market for the coming season and other important things will be

gone into at the feeting. All people interested in the community are requested to come out and take part. If you are not a member of the Chamber of Commerce come out any way. R. T. COBURN, Secy.

# North Carolina Cotton

Raleigh, N. C., June 15 .- The North Carolina Cotton Growers Cooperative Association on Saturday released checks to its members covering the final settlement and distribution of the 1924 crop. The total amount was \$1,685,000. The price netted to the grower was 22.60c per hundred pounds for Middling cotton. On account of the urgent need for money in the early spring, and in order that the members could pay cash for fertilizers, the sales program of he Association was speeded up about a month earlier than last year, and this schedule of sales was maintained until June 1st.

The Board of Directors ordered that the small amount of cotton remaining on hand June 1st be taken over by the Association and valued and a distribution made to the members by July 1st. It required last season 30 days working day and night of the office forces to complete the distribution, and 30 days were allowed this year for the same operations. General Manager Blalock submitted a propsoition to the office forces that if they would get out the final distribution by June 20th that they might enjoy barbecue dinner at his expense. As a matter of fact, the office forces beat his expectations one full week. The barbecue dinner was served to all of the employees of the Cotton Association today.

It is no small job to handle the accounts of about 38,000 members in such a manner that all checks will go out promptly and on time. This has been accomplished, however, with this distribution, with the exception of about 89 checks which are being held back for further information.

#### **Town Commissioners** In Special Session

The Board of Town Commissioners met in special session last night and

L. O. Manning was elected as Chief and J. S. Cooke as assistant night

The salary of the Chief was fixed at \$100. per month and fees, and that. of the assistant at \$75. per month. Nothing was said about the salary of the Mayor, Town Treasurer, Supt. of water and lights and assistants. The Board will present a financial statement some time in the near fu-

MARGOLIS-BLOOM Friends of Mr. Frank Margolis

throughout this section have received the following invitation to his wedding which takes place next month. Mr and Mrs Barnet Bloom

request the pleasure of your company at the marriage ceremony of their daughter Gertrude

Mr. Frank J. Margolis on Sunday, the fifth of July Nineteen hundred and twenty-five at two o'clock in the afternoon at Sinai Temple

961 Stebbins Avenue Near East 163rd Street, Bronx, New York.. Mr. Margolis and Mr. Milton Bloom who is his guest; will leave for New York about the first of July.

ness visitor here yesterday morn

Hon. S. J. Everett of Greenville at-

time and the jury quickly returned verdict of guilty of manslaughter. At the time of going to press this afternoon Judge Sinclair had not posted sentence on Etheridge. With the clearing from the docket divorce case this ferm of Superior will adjourn. As a whole, the work at this term has been carried on rapid went to Scotland Neck where he was ly, several important cases having been tried since court convened yes terday morning at 11:00 o'clock.

### Announce Program for **Sunday School Meeting** Here June 25th and 26th

#### Large Attendance From Thomas Allen Peed Schools All Over the **County is Expected**

Beginning at 8:00 o'clock Thursday night, June 25 and continuing thru Friday night, the Martin County Sunday School Convention will be held at

Williamston Methodist Church. Participating in the convention program will be Mr. D. W. Sims, Raleigh, General Superintendent North Carolina Sunday School Association, and Miss Flora Davis, Associate Superintendent of the same organization. Among the local county workers Growers Pay \$1,685,000 taking part on the program will be the following: Revs. E. D. Dood, O. E. Fox, C. O, Pardo and Mr. B. S. Courtney.

One feature of the convention will be the presentation of a beautiful pennant to the Sunday School having in the Convention the largest number of representatives, sixteen years of age, and over, according to the number of miles traveled. The contest is open to all Sunday Schools in the county. The pennant will be presented at the close of the session on Fri day afternoon.

An unusually large attendance of workers from the entire county is expected. All sessions of the convention are open to the public, and all who are interested in the advancement of Sunday School, whether they are active workers or not, are invited to attend.

Full program for the convention is

Thursday Night, June 25 8:00-Devotional. Rev. E. .D. Dodd Pastor Methodist Church, Williams-

8:15-The Worship Period in the Sunday School, Miss Flora Davis, Raleigh, Associate Superintendent North Carolina Sunday School Association.

8:45-Song. 8:50-Lesson Preparation. Mr. D

W. Sims, Ralcigh, General Superintendent North Carolina Sunday School Association. 9:20-Record of Attendance -Announcements.

9;30-Adjourn. Friday Morning, June 26 10:30-Devotional. Rev. O. E. Fox Pastor Christian Church, Roberson

10:45-The Wide-Awake Sunday

School. Miss Flora Davis.

11:30-Song. 11:35-Steps of Progress in Sunday

School Work. Mr. D. W. Sims. 12:15-Offering for support of the North Carolina Sunday School Association, 12:35-Announcements.

12:30-Adjourn.

Friday Aftern 2:00-Devotional. Rev. C. O. Pardo, Rector Episcopal Church, Williamston. 2:15-The Sunday School Meeting the Needs of the Children Miss Flore

2:50-Trained Workers-Why and

How. Mr. D. W. Sims. 3:20-Question and Discussion Perod. Everybody requested to take part 3:50-Presentation of Attendance

4:00-Adjourn.

Friday Night, June 26 8:00-Devotional. Mr. B. S. Courtey, Williamston.

8:15-The Adult Bibl Class Organized for Service, Miss Flora Davis. 8:45—Song.

School. Mr. D. W. Sims. 9:30-Adjourn. Three Things to Remember

1. To bring a notebook and pencil to the convention 2. To be on time at each session The sessions will begin promptly at

the time given on the program. 3. That a pennant will be presented to the Sunday School having in the convention the largest number of representatives, sixteen years and over, according to the number of miles traveled. Records will be taken at each session of the convention. The pennant will be presented at the close of the session on Friday afternoon. W. C. MANNINNIG, County

President. J. C. ANDERSON, County Secretary.

Miss Estelle Crawford has return od from Belhaven where she taught during the past year to spend the summer with her mother, Mrs. Fan-

s in town last night. The success of the Chamber of

Commerce depends on your presence

While reading his Bible Sunday

ight which was a regular habit with

him, preparatory to retiring, Thomas

Allen Peed was stricken with paraly-

Dies Suddenly

sis of the brain and lived only an hour and ten minutes after the stroke. He with his family had returned from Riddick's Grove church where a prayer meeting had been held, about 10:30 and he was stricken a short time afterward. At the church where he worshipped he was a leader, a teacher and superintendent of the Sunday School. He was of a quiet and humble nature and was admired and loved by all who came to know him in his daily walk of life.

The deceased was a native of Gran ville county, born near Knap of Reds, fifty three years ago. Twenty-two years ago he came to Martin county and one year after his arrival here, he lost his arm in a mill accident. In 1903 he was married to Miss Mabel Thomas, daughter of Captain and Mrs. T. W. Thomas and to their union four children were born. He is survived by the children, Allen, Coralie Geraldine and Bert Felix and by his wife. Four brothers, one sister and his step mother, all residents of Durham, also survive him. They are Messrs. Jack, Buck, Ivan and Bernice Peed, Mrs. Robert Vickers and Mrs. Polly Peed.

In all his life Mr. Peed though handi capped by the loss of an arm, worked hard that he might maintain his home and offer his children the best advantages possible.

The funeral services were conducted by the order of the Woodmen of the World and Rev. R. L. Shirley.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Vickers and children and Messrs. Jack Peed and Ted Veasey of Durham attended the

#### Judge Winston Holds **Court in Gaston County**

Judge Francis D. Winston passed through here Saturday on his way to Gastonia where he will hold a special term of court in Gaston county, beginning June 15, and centinuing for two weeks.

Judge Winston was appointed by Gov. A. W. McLean to hold this court. The last legislature passed an act empowering the Governor to appoint a judge for the holding of any term Parent-Teachers In of court where an emergency existed. Heretofore only regular judges or those who were on the retired list on

pay could hold courts. When asked why he was leaving so ing at the hour to op n court in order that no lawyer, suitor, witness or

juror would be delayed one minute. Judge Winston has been on the Superior court bench, first in 1916 and 1917 and again from 1921 to 1928. He was defeated for reelection by an ill political combination. He has also

# Mrs. Tempie Reddick

Mrs. Tempie L. Reddick died at her home on the Washington road carried out.

torney for one term.

last night at 9:30 o'clock. Mrs. Reddick was 88 years old and CAROLINA MOTOR CLUB HAS until recently she was very active. 8:50-Key to a Greater Sunday doing chores around the home alsmost as well as a person half her age.

She was the widow of the late W. She only had one child, Mr. W. L. Reddick of Robersonville The funeral will be held at her late residence tomorrow afternoon.

cemetery at the residence. Little Hebron Rawls, the nine month

old son of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Rawls died Sunday of Co itis. The funeral was conducted by Elder Louis T. Holliday and the interment took place in the family cem-

etery at the home of its parents or

Williamston Base Ball Fans Attend Ball Game in Ry. Mt.

Messrs, W. H. Crawford and W. J. Taylor, two of the most enthusiastic of an appetizing nature in no small local base ball fans of this section attended the Rocky Mount-Kinston base morning at 9:00 o'clock for the Mr. Edward L. Owens of Plymouth ball game yesterday in Rocky Mount.

> Miss Emma Robertson, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Booker motored to Windsor

#### Baraca-Philathea Silver Jubilee Ends Sunday Night

The Baraca-Philathea Silver Jubilee convention came to an end Sunday night and marked the closing of one of the most successful conventions in the history of the organizations.

Men and women of distinction such as Marshall A. Hudson, founder of the Baraca movement, R. N. Sims, teacher of the Sims Baraca class for 25 years and a prominent attorney of the capital city, Hon. W. N. Everett, Secretary of State, Mrs. N. Buckner, general secretary of the Baraca-Philatheas of North Carolina; exsecretary of the navy, Josephus Daniels and Judge Stacy made addresses which were high lights in the con-

vention. The business sessions of the convenion were extremely interesting and helpful. The reports from the classes over the State were encouraging. A much larger program was for the coming year.

The convention changed its amendment and elected Mrs. Z. H. Rose and Mr. W. F. Perry to succeed themselves as presidents of the Philatheas and Baracas. Their past administrations had been so successful and their fitness for the enlarged work so outstanding, they were urged to take charge of the work for another year. Mrs. Rose requested three times that hey elect another to the office she neld but the convention refused to do

Mr. Jas. E. Harrell, who was one of the mainstays in making the convention a success as convention secretary was also re-elected to succeed himself.

The convention will go to Salisbury next year for its annual session. The Memorial Baptist Church Phiathea class received a banner for having the most delegates present from the greatest distance away. Mrs. Rose as president was the re-

greetings from the State Baracas, to the Philatheas. She will present the basket to the class of which she is At the executive luncheon, the Phi atheas of Williamston entertained

ripient of a lovely basket of lilies as

Chorus, Williamston Philatheas. Toast, "To Our Host", Mrs. J. L. Peele. Duet, "Love Is A Garden," Mrs.

and their program was as follows:

Invocation, Mrs. Wheeler Martin, jr.

White. Reading, Miss Lucy Turnage Solo, Miss Martha Anderson. Toast, "To Our Rose," Miss Mar-

Louis Bennett and Miss Carrie Delle

# Last Meeting

The Williamston Parent-Teachers association met last Thursday night, seen the judge stated that he wanted but unfortunately the attendance was to be at the court house Monday morn very small, only nine faithful ones

> The Association voted to suspend its meetings during the summer months as most of the teachers are away attending summer school. The Association has taken up a number of things of importance to

the people of the town and especially served as United States district at the things that bring the school and The officers of the Association hope for much good work to be done during the coming term and plans will Died Last Night be formulated before the first meeting of the Association in the fall

### whereby a greater program may be BRANCH OFFICE IN TARBORO

In the Royster Guano offices, the Carolina Motor Club will have a J. Reddick who died a few years ago. branch office for the sale of automobile license plates. It is to be maintained indefinitely and wfff be under the management of Mr. McConkey. It is his purpose to follow the policy Her body will be laid to rest beside of the Carolina Motor Club, in renthat of her husband in the family dering any possible as stance to the motoring public.

This office was omitted in the list of branch offices sent out by the State department through an error.

FIRST PIC NIC OF SEASON

AT COLERAIN BEACH TODAY The first real pic nic of the season is being held at Colerain Beach today. The Epworth League of the Methodist church is giving the pic nic and a goodly number of the young people of the town are enjoying the hospitality of the leaguers.

A large number of cars carryin the takers of a day holiday and eats

Messrs. Joe Martin and J. R. Man ning of Jamesville were business visitors in town yesterday afternoon.