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## TOBACCO MEN EXPECT TO SELL MORE THAN SIX MILLION POUNDS ON LOCAL MARKET THIS SEASON

Hope To More Than Double Sales Of Last Year

GOOD CORPS BUYERS

Redrying Plant Will Be A Big Asset To The Market

Present indications would move the estimate of five million pounds to over six million pounds, and this is still a conservative estimate of the amount of tobacco that will be sold on the Williamston market this year. The estimate is based on sound facts, by what people outside of our town say, and upon the reports of our various warehousemen.

With the advantages of the Williamston market, and taking into consideration the reports gathered from various sections, the six millions and over estimate is a very conservative one.

The opening of a modern redrying plant here will carry its effect far and wide, and will add greatly to the sales of tobacco on this market. To quote from "Market Briefs," a little leaflet issued by the Williamston Chamber of Commerce, we find it has the following to say about the redrying plant: "It means that one of the most important, most vital steps in the building of a real tobacco market has been made."

"It means that the Williamston market has an advantage that will assure market prices."

"It means that many more pounds of tobacco will be sold on Williamston warehouse floors than has ever been known to be sold here in one season before."

The little leaflet goes on to say "We could go ahead and trace back and find many, many other features that a redrying plant establishes for a tobacco market, but that would be unnecessary. When a market is built on such features, it is to be depended upon for its power to lead in the selling of tobacco."

"It is with much pleasure that we tell the people of this section about the opening of a tobacco redrying plant here, and it is with much sincerity that we welcome Mr. Skinner to our town."

Mr. W. I. Skinner is a pioneer in the tobacco business in eastern Carolina. He put into operation the first redrying plant in eastern North Carolina and bought tobacco for the Maxwell Tobacco Co., of Liverpool. For the past sixteen years he bought tobacco on the Greenville, N. C., warehouse floors. During that time he has learned to know a large number of farmers, and practically every farmer knows him. He has devoted practically all his life to one phase or another of the tobacco business, and has gained the reputation of being one of the best tobacco men in the country. Mr. Skinner will operate the redrying plant here, and will buy tobacco on the local warehouse floors.

Buyers will represent every tobacco company on the Williamston market this year, and they will all be A-1 men.

These facts, coupled with the experience of the proprietors of Williamston's four independent warehouses substantiate the statement that the Williamston tobacco market will sell six million and over pounds of tobacco this season.

Here From Rocky Mount  
Mr. D. S. Drew, of Rocky Mount, was in the city Wednesday.

Strand Theatre

FRIDAY

"IT IS THE LAW"

A Fox special with an all-star cast.

SATURDAY

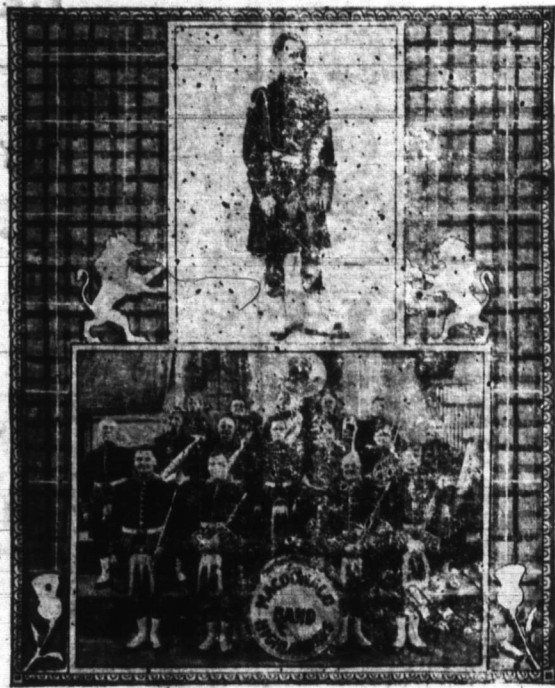
"SWORD OF VALOR"

and

Episode of the

"BOLD RIDER"

To Play Here For Roanoke Fair This Year



The Roanoke Fair Association has gone to great expense to secure the MacDonalds Royal Scotch Highlanders, a band second to none in the show world today. This band alone cost the management of the Roanoke Fair more than the entire program of many fairs.

Soloists, vocal and instrumental, and specialties will be included in the program each afternoon and evening. Hear them at the Roanoke Fair, Williamston, N. C., November 3, 4, 5, and 6, 1925.

Manager Poe is on the job again this year when it comes to securing the best in those features that go to make a fair enjoyable and pleasing, as well as beneficial.

## Martin County Folks Take Their Time About Getting Married; Average 27 Years

Average Age For Month Of July More Than 33 Years

Martin County's love affairs are of a slow variety, according to records found in the register of deeds' office. For the first six months in this year there were 100 marriage licenses issued, and the average age was 25 1-3 years. July came along and further delayed matters when it alone gave an average of 33 1-3 years. One or two in this month greatly increased the average, there being one for 77 years, one for 65 years. For the year to date the average stand at 26 1-2 years. This is a very high average, it seems to us.

July fell three short when compared with June in the number of licenses issued. June had eleven while July has only eight.

The list of licenses for the month of July is as follows:

White  
George Howard Hardy, 31, Johnston County, to Lola Idell Smith, 26, Martin County; Henry Baker Bell, 77, to Mary Coltrain, 62, both of Martin County; Heber Davenport, 21, to Hattie Mae Wells, 13, both of this county; James W. Coltrain, 65, to Mrs. Fannie Banks, 62, both of Martin County; Charles Fisher Carroll, 25, of Warsaw, N. C., to Nellie Fisher Wynne, 22, of Martin County.

Colored  
Henry Moye, 22, to Lucy Perkins, 25; Henry Rodgers, 21, to Minnie Moore, 21; Moses Rascoe, 50, to Bettie Perry, 24; Eddie Saunders, 21, to Mamie Anthony, 17, all of Martin County.

## Mr. Green Has First New Sweet Potatoes

Mr. John W. Green, of Bear Grass Township, has been eating nice Porto Rico sweet potatoes from his own field all the week.

Johnny is one of the county's best farmers, and gives attention to the things to eat as well as the things to sell, hence he is not affected by town prices as much as many farmers are.

## Card Club Meeting Held This Morning

The card club met this morning with Mrs. J. H. Saunders at her home on Haughton Street. She served delicious frozen fruit salad at the conclusion of the games.

Members present included Mesdames J. S. Rhodes, C. H. Godwin, J. G. Godard, Jr., F. W. Hoyt, S. R. Biggs, H. M. Stubbs, and Titus Critcher.

## No Enterprise To Be Issued Next Tuesday

There will be no issue of the Enterprise next Tuesday. We hate very much to miss an issue, but our typesetting machine needs some repairs, and it will require several days to overhaul it. We are hastening this issue in order that we might have ample time to complete the job.

For the past several months little defects have been appearing, and we think we have put them off long enough; so it is with the hope of starting off with a clean sheet today week that we miss our issue next Tuesday.

## CHILD IS KILLED IN AUTO SMASH

21-Months-Old Child of Mr. Will Clark Killed When Truck Hits Ford Coupe Near Greenville

Wednesday afternoon Mr. Will Clark and family, of Greenville, were out motoring on the Washington road when their car was struck, turned over and completely around by a man named Williams, who was driving a large truck. The 21-months-old child of Mr. Clark was instantly killed and several other members of the family injured.

The accident occurred seven miles from Greenville, when Mr. Clark turned out for the approaching truck, which was traveling at a very fast rate of speed for so heavy a vehicle. Mr. Clark was completely forced off the paved road and had both front wheels on the dirt and turned into a ditch.

Mr. Clark was driving a Ford coupe and it was nothing more than miraculous that other members of the family were not killed when the car was turned over.

Williams, the driver of the truck, was credited with killing a mule on the same date.

## Macedonia Local And Personal News

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Peele attended church at Old Ford Sunday.

Mr. Alfred Griffin was the guest of Miss Virginia Peele Sunday.

Mr. George Peele was the guest of Miss Vivian Peele Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Coltrain were visitors in the Hardison Mill section Sunday.

Mr. Elbert Wilson was the guest of Misses Sarah and Sadie Mae Hadley Sunday afternoon.

Misses Carrie Ward, Virginia Peel, and Mr. Raymond Peel went to Washington Sunday afternoon to see Miss Carrie Robertson at the Washington Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Peele spent Sunday afternoon with Mrs. John Hodges.

Mr. Ben Lilly was the guest of Miss Carrie Ward Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Perry spent Sunday with Mrs. Perry's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Peele.

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Hadley spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Beacham.

Mr. and Mrs. Nat Cherry spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Simon Perry.

## Mr. Sentelle to Preach At Baptist Church

Prof. R. E. Sentelle will preach at the Baptist Church both Sunday morning and evening, and Dr. Walter R. White, of Plant City, Fla., will fill the pulpit of that church Sunday, August the 9th, both morning and evening.

Dr. White is a Bertie County citizen, but has been preaching in other States for several years.

## REGULAR SESSION RECORDERS COURT

Six Cases On Docket For Trial Tuesday; Negro Bound Over On Charge of Rape

Six cases were on the criminal docket and came before Recorder Smith last Tuesday in the Martin County recorder's court. Attorney E. S. Paul prosecuted for the State.

The first case was that of State vs. Carl Aiken and Henry Roberson. Roberson was not taken and Aiken was sent to jail for six months, with leave to be sent to the Edgecombe County roads. Aiken plead guilty to the charge brought against him of selling liquor.

The case against C. C. Jones, charging him with selling liquor, was not pressed with leave.

The case charging L. J. Hardison and George M. Hardison with assault with deadly weapon was continued until Tuesday, August 4.

General Purvis plead guilty to a charge of simple assault. Judgment was suspended upon the payment of the cost of the action.

Mahala Lloyd, charged with fighting and assault, plead not guilty to the charge, and the court, after hearing the evidence, found her not guilty.

Joe Taper, a negro from the Darzens section was charged with rape. The defendant waived examination, and was ordered by the court to be confined in the county jail to await trial in the September term of Martin County superior court.

## Assistance Provided For Accredited Flocks

Assistance has been provided in beginning the accredited hatcheries and hatchery flocks in North Carolina. This work, done under the supervision of the State division of markets, will help to build up the poultry industry of the State.

## Suit Against Co-ops Looked On As "Old Stuff" by Heads Of the Tobacco Association

Get Three Stills in Free Union Section

Wednesday Agents Harris, Baker, and J. R. Manning hunted in Free Union, where they captured a copper still, the cap and worm of another, and two steel-drum stills and about 800 gallons of beer.

None of the stills were being operated and no clue to connect the owners was found.

Free Union has for a time established a reputation for manufacturing lots of bad liquor. They seem to use the poorest materials and use the meanest equipment of any section of the country. They also seem to be so well organized that no one can approach without the news spreading ahead, warning the operators.

## Episcopal Picnic at Coleraine Today

The Episcopal Sunday school will have its annual picnic at Coleraine today. The children are asked to meet at the Episcopal church yard at 9 o'clock Friday morning. Mr. H. M. Stubbs, superintendent, urges all the members of the Sunday school and church to attend.

In Morehead City  
Mr. Julius S. Peel is spending several days at Morehead City.

## GOVERNOR ASKS NORTH CAROLINIANS TO HONOR BRYAN DURING BURIAL

A Fall Fashion



Maybe you don't know it yet, Mrs. Woman Reader, but you are going to wear large hats again. This black velvet, trimmed with silk mauve violets and eyslappen, is a new Fall fashion with brim and made to fit bobbed heads.

## Tobacco Averages 14 Cents In Georgia

The Georgia Tobacco Market opened Tuesday with medium sales and prices ranging from 6 to 21 cents, according to press reports from tobacco men in that section.

The average price was given as 14 cents. They do not grade tobacco on those markets; if they did, they would receive from one to a cent and a half more.

Some of the markets are without buyers, and will possibly have to close in a few days.

Requests Cessation Of Business For Half Hour

HALF MAST FLAGS

Burial Will Take Place At Arlington This Afternoon

Governor Angus W. McLean Tuesday issued an official proclamation enjoining all the people of the State to desist from their customary activities for a period of thirty minutes during the funeral of William Jennings Bryan Friday and ordering flags on State buildings to fly at half mast during the entire day.

The proclamation follows in full:

"A proclamation by the Governor. Whereas, the funeral services of the late William Jennings Bryan will take place in Arlington Cemetery, at Washington, on Friday, the thirtieth day of July, and

"Whereas, for more than three decades Mr. Bryan has been the acknowledged leader of a mighty host in America, and

"Whereas, he has by his strength and sincere convictions of duty and his exalted moral character made an everlasting impression upon the lives of the American people, and

"Whereas, his death has brought peculiar sorrow to the people of North Carolina because of the many ties that existed between him and them.

"Now, therefore, I, Angus W. McLean, governor of North Carolina, in response to universal public sentiment of our people to pay to the memory of the deceased a last mark of respect do hereby order the flags of all State buildings in North Carolina, to be flown at half mast on Friday, July the thirtieth, and I do respectfully enjoin the people of the State to desist from their customary activities, for a period of thirty minutes, during the time of the funeral.

Done at our city of Raleigh, this the twenty-eighth day of July, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twenty-five, and in the one hundred and fiftieth year of our American independence."

It would be in keeping with the solemn occasion if people would assemble themselves together and read the Scriptures, which were the light to the pathway of the Great Commoner while in life and which has doubtless led him safely back to the Creator of all things.

## Big Crowd From Here Attends Masons Picnic

A large number of our people attended the Masonic picnic in Coleraine yesterday. A large number of the Masons of the town attended and all the warehousemen were there. The Chamber of Commerce was represented, and advertising material was distributed. The picnic was a great success.

Leave for Western Carolina  
Mr. and Mrs. Hugh G. Horton will leave tomorrow for Western North Carolina. They will make the trip through the country and will visit Greensboro, Winston-Salem, Charlotte, and Asheville, where they will spend several days.

association. The public director for Virginia characterized the suit as a last ditch fight to discredit the association and impede its further progress.

According to the statement of Robert Wade, the young attorney who is most active in the suit, representatives of Henry Ford's legal staff will come shortly into the tobacco section, for the purpose, he says, of securing data to contest Sapir's damage suit filed against Ford.

The recent warning of Dr. J. V. Joyner to the farmers, which was made by the veteran worker and organizer of the association when he announced that he would retire from a salaried position with the association to serve it without pay, seems especially timely in view of the efforts now being expended in the annual attack against farmers of Virginia and the Carolinas who are organizing their own business. "In this fight for economic freedom and economic justice for our farmers, we are now standing at the Marne," said Dr. Joyner, in bidding his associates farewell, and declared that "arrayed against us are powerful forces, strongly entrenched, perfectly organized, powerfully financed, determined in their own interest to destroy us this year if they can."

## Recalls Visit of William Jennings Bryan To Williamston and Other Small Towns

By H. B. C.

William Jennings Bryan came to Williamston three times, but I doubt that even his wife knows that he came but once. He came first on the young steed of fame after the Chicago convention of 1896, when men vied with one another to do him honor. He was a demi-god. When he visited North Carolina during the campaign, people went hundreds of miles to hear his voice or touch his hand.

Bryan came to Williamston again on the sloven ox of despair after his unsuccessful attempts to become President. It became the order of the day for small men to revile him. Bryanism was used as a bludgeon of reproach to hurt at his former supporters. It appeared that everyone had deserted him save a few of the faithful.

He came again in person in later years when he had shaken the barnacles of politics from his majestic

mind, came as a Crusader, a Christian propagandist.

It is popular to follow the fickle tide. I found myself drifting with popular opinion and almost turned against Bryan when he failed to reach his political goal. My father, who only gained the outskirts of the crowd when he spoke at Rocky Mount, so great was the crush, and who felt compensated later when he shook his hand from the car window as the train crowd who cursed and belittled Bryan, pulled out, came near joining Bryan never became the President of the United States, for which narrow-minded men cursed him, but he became something greater, he became the captain of a vast army, became the master of their destinies, the pilot of their souls. He pointed the way, and with his matchless voice turned men and women to Christ. Bryan preached the gospel of hope. Men need to look forward to a better to-

morrow. Take hope from the heart of men and you put chaos in the bosom of the nation. Many of us have seen hopeless persons. We have seen the hopeless murderer in the death chamber, a community perhaps verging on the loss of hope after a tornado or earthquake, but never have we seen a hopeless nation, unless we see it in Russia today. And what American would exchange his abode for a hopeless life in pagan Russia.

Clay, Webster, and Calhoun died after their political life had ended; not so with Bryan, he quickly turned to the right, and "clothed in the armor of a righteous cause was stronger than all the host of error that could be brought against him."

Bryan is dead, but the things for which he fought will never die. His Christian life and indomitable courage will always be an inspiration to men and women who believe in Christ and the immortality of the soul.