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## REGULAR SESSION OF COMMISSIONERS

New Bridge To Be Built At Daniels And Statons Mill; Borrow Money For Schools

The Board of Commissioners of Martin County met yesterday at their regular first Monday session. A farm demonstration agent for the year 1926 was provided for, and a new bridge at Daniels & Statons Mill was also voted. Loans of \$20,000 for Bear Grass School and \$15,000 for the Williamston School were discussed and it was decided to borrow those amounts from the State.

The following orders were made by the board:

By order of the board Ernest L. Taylor, of Bertie County, was licensed to sell Watkins Products in Martin County without paying county tax.

The sum of \$1,200 was appropriated for the employment of a county demonstration agent for the year 1926. P. E. Getsinger was released from the payment of \$1 dog tax, improperly listed.

Ordered that a new bridge be built at the Daniels & Staton Mill of sufficient length to cross the water. Williams Township to make the necessary all.

Mrs. E. B. Waters was released from paying taxes on \$500 worth of property, listed in error in Jamesville Township.

The sum of \$50 was appropriated for the purchase of a cork leg for Lee Wynn, colored.

Upon motion of T. B. Slade, Jr., and seconded by H. M. Burras, the application of the county board of education for a State loan of \$20,000 for Bear Grass School District and \$15,000 for the Williamston School district was approved.

J. A. Abeyounis, trading as the Leader Store, was released from the payment of taxes on \$1,900 property, improperly listed in Williamston in 1924.

The board approved an order for \$150 for the pauper fund, to be drawn by the clerk of the board.

Ordered that Perlie B. Lilley be released of taxes on \$200 worth of property, improperly listed for 1925.

## Marriage Licenses Issued In November

White  
George Oscar Crisp, 27; Hazel Bryant Harrell, 21.

John I. Miller, Bertie County, 21; Clara Bateman, Washington County, 23.

Lester Jones, 19; Nellie Kee Halls, 18.

John A. Griffin, 23; Maggie Cherry, 24.

John Oscar Twiddy, Pasquotank County, 22; Ellen W. Cowen, 18.

Levi Quinton Cherry, Pitt County, 22; Lethia Roebuck, Pitt County, 25.

Jesse Carson, Pitt County, 24; Lillian Carson, Pitt County, 19.

Robert Henry Leggett, 20; Selma R. Gray, 15.

Henry J. Latz, 25; Lucy Mills, 24.

Colored  
William James, 21; Blanche James, 19.

Wm. S. Cherry, Bertie County, 21; Minnie Hardy, Bertie County, 18.

John H. Moon, 25; Leona Teel, 19; Benjamin Spruill, 25; Catherine Savage, 18.

George Taylor, 25; Mamie Woolard, 29.

Joseph Pollard, 22; Bertha Edwards, 20.

Luther Ballard, 27; Estelle Slade, 21.

Messrs. Clayton Moore and N. S. Godard spent Friday and Saturday in Raleigh.

Mr. Milton Norman attended to business in Woodard yesterday.

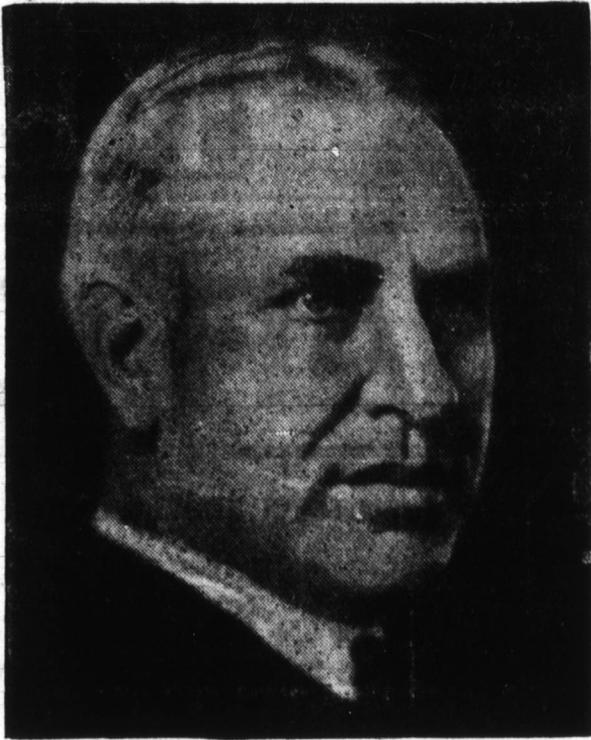
## Strand Theatre

Trade With Members of Merchants' Theatre Club and get a ticket to Wednesday night's show with each 50c spent.

Miss Helen Lowerstein, who has been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Frank Margolis, returned to her home in New York Sunday.

Mrs. Jas. A. Everett and daughter, Miss Margaret, will return tonight from Norfolk, where they have been shopping.

## Honorable O. Max Gardner, State Christmas Seal Sale Chairman



Mr. Gardner made the following statement in regard to the Seal Sale this morning: "The holiday season just passed has been a source of genuine thanksgiving for many of us, most of whom are in the full enjoyment of perhaps the greatest blessing of all time—good health. To those of you thus blessed, this appeal is made in behalf of the less fortunate—namely the undernourished child and the victim of tuberculosis. Invest heavily in TUBERCULOSIS CHRISTMAS SEALS. The bulk of this money remains in the communities where it is raised, and the balance helps to support the State and National Tuberculosis Associations, in return for which we receive the equivalent of an insurance policy that this noble work will carry on. I regard this movement as one among the most humane and far-reaching of our day."

## EVERETTS MAKES IT THREE STRAIGHT

Defeat Farmville High School Saturday Night, 15-2; Both Teams Display Great Defense

Everetts, Dec. 7.—On Saturday night at 8 o'clock the referee, H. B. Anderson, of Williamston, blew his whistle for the game between Everetts and Farmville to begin. What a game! The spectators were accorded the prettiest game of guarding that they have seen in many a day. Farmville failed to register a single field goal. The guarding of the Roebucks for Everetts kept the opposing team from shooting but once within the foul goal line. The same might be said of the opposing guards, who kept Cherry, James and Bullock covered during the first half. The score between halves: Everetts, 5; Farmville, 2.

Both teams put more fight and pep into the game during the second half, and it was in this period that Cherry and Captain Roebuck broke through for four field goals, which proved sufficient to send Farmville back home losers. The score can in no way tell the true facts of the game as the Farmville team played a fast and furious game and put up a good game. There will be a return game on the Farmville court this coming Saturday night, and Everetts hopes to continue their winning streak.

The line-up:

Farmville—2  
R. F. James  
Smith L. F.  
Ottie Cherry  
Skinner C.  
Bullock  
Moore R. G.  
Roebuck, A. L. G.

Holmes (Capt.) N. Roebuck (Capt.)  
Scoring: Farmville—Lewis, 1; and Holmes, 1; Everetts—Roebuck, N., 2; Bullock, 1; Cherry, 1; Keel, 1.  
Substitutions: Farmville—Taylor and Lewis; Everetts—Keel.  
Time: 8 minute quarters.

## Greenville Warehouse Passes to New Hands

Greenville, Dec. 6.—One of the largest transfers of business property recorded in Greenville for several years was concluded here on yesterday when J. Nick Gorham disposed of his tobacco warehouse property for the sum of \$120,000, the purchaser being J. Madison McGowan. This price does not include the redrying plant, which, it is understood, will be operated by Mr. Gorman and his sons, who were interested with him in the warehouse business for the auction sale of tobacco.

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## HISTORIC FARM TO GO AT AUCTION

The Sherrod Farm, a 1,000-Acre Plantation, Near Hamilton, To Be Sold Tomorrow

One of the most historic plantations in Martin County, the Sherrod farm, near Hamilton, is to be cut up into small farms and sold at auction tomorrow.

The Sherrod farm has for more than a hundred years been regarded as one of the most beautiful plantations in Martin County. It was used during the Civil War as a training camp, and the big grove was used as a drill field.

The late Wm. L. Sherrod moved from this farm to Enfield, where he died. Many plantations, when the owners are away and can not give them close personal attention, become unprofitable and a financial burden rather than an asset. Yet the passing of the old plantations gives us a feeling of sadness.

The sale takes place tomorrow morning at 10.30. The Atlantic Coast Realty Company, of Winston-Salem and Petersburg, are the selling agents and they announce that the farms will be sold on easy terms. A barbecue dinner will also be served.

## Everetts Store Is Staging Big Sale

One of the biggest sales ever put on by a Martin County firm was begun by Bailey & Barnhill, Everetts, today at 9 o'clock. In their large and diversified line of goods, one can find thousands of bargains. To make the sale of greater benefit to its customers, this firm has bought a carload of flour, thousands of pounds of sugar, and other staple groceries to sell at special prices during the Christmas season, when one wants one dollar to do the work of ten.

But in the furniture, dress goods, notions, ready to wear for both men and women, shoes and farming supply departments are the greatest reductions made.

A visit to this sale, which began today, will more than repay one for his trouble. A look at the back page of this paper will give you a few of the bargains.

Messdames W. H. Biggs, L. T. Fowden, C. D. Carstarphen, B. A. Critcher and A. Hassell motored to Washington yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Purvis and Mr. Bruce Wynne attended the basketball game in Everetts Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bogart and little daughter, Sallie Smallwood, of Washington, visited relatives in town Sunday.

Miss Margaret Ward Jackson, of Plymouth is visiting Miss Laura Norton.

Mr. Bog Slade, Jr., of Hamilton, was here for a short while yesterday.

## PARENTS-TEACHERS MEETING THURSDAY

Session Will Be Held At Courthouse At 7:30; Business of Much Importance

The Parents-Teachers Association of Williamston will meet Thursday night at 7.30 at the courthouse. A full attendance is desired by the president, Mrs. A. R. Dunning, as there is business of importance to be attended to by the association.

Professor Seymour has intimated to our representative that one of the things he wants brought before the association that they might promote, or rather aid in its promotion, is the physical examination of every school child once a year.

It is not known whether or not he will bring this question before the association at this meeting, but should there be a goodly number of parents present we feel sure that he will.

This is a question of paramount importance to your child. Parents, show your interest in your children and attend.

## Miss Everett Hostess To Philathea Class

The Philathea class of the Memorial Baptist Church met at the home of Miss Margaret Everett last Friday night for its regular business and social meeting.

The meeting was opened with a Scripture reading by Miss Sallie Harris, the new president, which was followed by a sentence prayer. Last year's business was discussed. Then it was decided to send \$5 to Mrs. N. Buckner, of Asheville, the general secretary, for Christmas flowers at Oteen Hospital. Several other donations were discussed and decided upon. Also Bonner Peels' Christmas box.

The hostess, assisted by Miss Sallie Harris, served refreshments which consisted of home-made cake, peaches and whipped cream. The meeting adjourned to meet the first Friday night in January with Mrs. Lina Martin. As reported.

## Everetts High Quint Beats Winterville, 26-11

(Special to The Enterprise)  
EVERETTS, N. C., December 7th.—Everetts High won the second game on their schedule, against Winterville, Friday night by coming back strong in the second half. The score at the end of the first half being 10-4 in the local's favor. The game was clean throughout, only one foul being called in the first half. Referee Anderson, of Williamston, followed the ball very closely and pleased both spectators and participants.

The stars of the game were Worthington for Winterville, and Cherry and Roebuck for Everetts, if any two could be noticed above the all-round playing of the local school five. The team played as a unit. A return game will be played at Ayden on Saturday night, December 12th.

The Everetts team has hit a pre-Christmas stride and is hoping to make a good impression on the surrounding countryside before entering the county championship series in January.

Due to a sarcastic cut appearing in the Robersonville paper, which neither the local coach nor team had any part in, Jamesville has challenged the locals to a game on their court December 11th. This date is impossible, but we will play them on the 16th of December on either court, but preferably here.

The line-up of the Winterville game follows:  
Winterville—11  
Hunesucker Cherry  
Tucker L. F. James  
G. Bullock  
Worthington, (Capt.) R. G.  
Hobgood Roebuck (Capt.) L. G.

Carroll Roebuck, A.  
Scoring: For Winterville, Hunesucker, 3; Tucker, 4; Worthington, 4; For Everetts, Roebuck (Capt.), 6; Cherry, 13; James, 6; Keel, 1.

Substitutions: Everetts, Harris and Keel.  
Referee: Anderson.  
Scorer: Bailey.  
Timekeepers: Turner and Clark.

## Local Girl Enters Newspaper Contest

Miss Lyda Cook is actively engaged in the subscription contest of the Washington Progress, which is now in full swing.

Mr. Julius S. Peel is spending several days in Raleigh.

Mr. Oscar Paul, of Washington, visited friends in town Sunday.

## REGULAR SESSION RECORDER'S COURT

Fighting and Thanksgiving Turkey Stealing Constitute Docket Of Today's Court

Recorders court Tuesday, December 8th did not have anything of a startling nature for trial. Only a little fighting, some Thanksgiving turkey stealing, and the old-time trouble of loving some one else better than your own husband or wife.

After looking over the procedure, it was evident that the devil is still busy in the land, and still leading the family out of the garden.

Judge Smith was in the spirit of helping the bereft and fallen criminals as much as possible, hence the roads only get one hand, though there still resists two suspended judgments to be pronounced at a later date.

The cases disposed of were: Claude Wilkins, larceny, 4 months on the roads.

Ralph Duggar, assault with a deadly weapon. Guilty. Fined \$10 and costs.

Will Joyner, larceny. Guilty. Case continued for judgment until December 22, under \$150 bond.

T. S. James, abandonment. Guilty. Continued to January for final judgment.

There will be no session of the court on next Tuesday, as superior court will be in session.

## Special Delivery Mail to be Delivered Christmas

The Postal Bulletin for Saturday, December 5, contains the following information addressed to postmasters, but of interest to the general public as well:

"Incident to giving publicity to the fact that no city, village, or rural carrier deliveries will be made on Christmas Day, postmasters will include the statement that special delivery mail will be handled and delivered on Christmas Day the same as other days.

"Special notification of this should be given to film exchanges, motion picture theatres, and other concerns in order that they may affix special-delivery stamps to all films and other parcels mailed so as to reach destination on Christmas Day in order to insure delivery.

## Mrs. Crissie Gurkin Died Saturday

Mrs. Crissie L. Gurkin died Saturday at her home in Griffins Township in the thirty-sixth year of her age from pneumonia.

Mrs. Gurkin was the daughter of the late Bennett Lilley and wife, Neppie. She married J. C. Gurkin in 1910. Besides her husband she leaves two children, a boy 14, and a girl 11 years old.

In the midst of a large concourse of friends the funeral was conducted at her home by Rev. A. J. Manning, her pastor; he having baptized her when she joined the Macedonia Christian Church in her childhood and has been her pastor ever since.

The burial was in the Gurkin graveyard at Lilley Hill.

## Williamston Bank Has An Interesting Paper

The Farmers & Merchants News is a neat 8-page magazine just issued by the Farmers and Merchants Bank, of this city. The publication is full of interesting things. Good, sound advice, some good jokes, and a Christmas greeting from the bank. Every word is well worth reading, even the local advertisements, because an individual or a firm who has judgment enough to advertise has got sense enough to say something.

## County Teachers Meet Saturday

The reading circle for the white teachers of Martin County will be held here on Saturday, December 12th, at 2 p. m., in the Williamston Graded School Building.

All teachers are required to be present and on time.

R. A. POPE, Superintendent.

## CARD OF THANKS

Please allow us space in your columns to express our gratitude and thanks to the prison officials of the State for their kindness in allowing us to go from the Caledonia farm to our home to attend the funeral of our brother's wife on last Sunday, and also for their human kindness in permitting us to remain away from the prison farm and visit our home until Monday afternoon.

Respectfully,  
JOHN GURKIN,  
ALBERT GURKIN.

## Blind Senator



This is the latest photo of Senator Thomas D. Scholl from Minnesota, who has attained this high post despite the great handicap of blindness.

## EASTERN CO-OPS WILL CUT COSTS

Close All But Four Markets After The Holidays In The Eastern North Carolina Belt

Every receiving point of the Tobacco Growers Cooperative Association in eastern North Carolina except four will close for the season of 1925-1926 on Friday, December 18, according to the announcement made this week by General Manager Richard R. Patterson, of the association.

The four cooperative markets which will continue open after the Christmas holidays to receive tobacco from members of the association are Wendell, Rocky Mount, Goldsboro, and Washington.

While the association management announces that this move is being made in the interest of economy and to avoid undue expense where deliveries fail to justify further operation of a market this season, they call attention to the fact that the association receiving points which will be closed after Christmas are so located that a majority of the eastern Carolina members can reach them with out great inconvenience, while they are effecting a very large saving by the closing down of the other markets.

In the meantime members of the association throughout the eastern belt are urged so far as possible to complete their deliveries to all the local receiving points which will continue to operate until December 18.

Representative members of the tobacco association from 43 counties of the old tobacco belt of North Carolina and Virginia who filled the Masonic Temple at Danville last week in a meeting to determine upon the terms of a new five-year contract for orderly marketing and the protection of the price for their tobacco from 1927 to 1931 decided definitely upon a contract calling for 65 per cent of all old belt tobacco and delivery of all tobacco grown upon the land of every signer.

The South Carolina tobacco growers have decided upon a similar contract calling for 65 per cent of the tobacco in their belt and absolute delivery of all tobacco grown upon the lands of signers to the future association. The dark-fired tobacco growers of Virginia have already signed up 7,000,000 pounds of tobacco, or 17 per cent of the total production of Virginia dark-fired tobacco to a contract calling for 75 per cent of the total crop in their State.

## Philatheas Meet With Mrs. Landy Griffin

At her home in New Town Friday night, from 8 until 10 o'clock, Mrs. Landy Griffin was hostess to the Philathea class of the Christian Church at its regular monthly meeting.

After a business session in which it was decided to give the children of the Sunday school a Christmas party and other items were attended to, the meeting was turned over to the hostess.

A dime contest was enjoyed. Miss Esther Harrison winning the prize, a hand-painted bud vase. Ice cream and cake were served by Mrs. Griffin, assisted by Miss Ethel Griffin.

## State College Grain Judging Team Wins

The grain judging team from State College won four silver loving cups out of five offered, made over 200 points above their nearest competitor, and secured all the major places in the contest recently held among the leading colleges and universities of the country at the International Livestock and Grain Show in Chicago.

Messrs. Thomas Wood and Carroll Kramer, of Edenton, were visitors in the city yesterday.

Mrs. Tom Timberlake and Little Susan are visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Timberlake.

## NEW METHODIST PASTOR WELCOMED

Rev. Thomas W. Lee Preaches First Sermon Here Sunday; Large Congregation Present

Rev. Thomas W. Lee, the new minister of the Methodist Church, preached his first sermon here Sunday morning. His text was taken from Second Timothy, 1st chapter 5th verse, "When I call to remembrance the unfeigned faith that is in thee, which dwelt first in thy grandmother, Lois, and thy mother, Eunice; and I am persuaded in thee."

The emphasis was on faith; that faith which Paul commends in Timothy. The preacher brought out the great background of faith which was instilled in Lois, the grandmother, and Eunice, the mother. Naturally, if faith is a valuable asset to human character, then we all owe it to our children to live in the faith of the God who created and loves us.

The subject of faith is somewhat fading from our minds. A few folks are trying to shake the faith of our own failure to come near to our God and our fellowmen, just as Paul and Timothy did in the days of long ago. Mr. Lee is an attractive and logical speaker. He has succeeded as pastor in all the charges which he has held, coming to Williamston from the churches at Wallace and Rose Hill. He is a native of Gates County and has been preaching for 15 years. Our town welcomes Mr. Lee as a citizen as well as a Christian minister.

## Town Team to Play Ahsokie Here Friday

At the Dixie Warehouse Friday night the first basketball game of the season will be staged. The town team will play the Ahsokie town team. It will be interesting to know that "Buddie" Orleans, a former Williamston star, is captain of the Ahsokie team.

The whole team for the town has not yet been picked, but we have some good material to choose from. Practice is being held nightly, and a goodly number of our young men are in the running.

## Disciples To Meet In Washington Friday

A one-day convention of the Christian Churches of eastern Carolina will be held with the Christian Church of Washington Friday, December 11. The day will be given over to affairs of the churches of this section and at six o'clock a fellowship supper will be served in the basement of the church building, which is a handsome new place. All those who intend to attend this banquet are requested to send their names to Rev. Bagby, pastor of the church, beforehand, and all members of the Christian church of Martin County are invited.

In the evening a missionary speech will be delivered by a returned missionary.

Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Harrison and little son, Donnie Jr., of Palmyra, spent Sunday with relatives here.

Mrs. Myrtle Brown, Miss Esther Harrison and Messrs. R. E. Roberson and Stanley Seasons-visited friends in Coleraine Sunday.

Messdames Carrie Biggs Williams, L. C. Bennett, A. T. Crawford, and W. T. Meadows and Harry A. Biggs are spending today in Rocky Mount.

Messdames J. A. Manning and Henry Harrison motored to Washington Monday to visit friends.

Mr. Guy Caton, of Norfolk, was here yesterday.

## Santa Says---



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