

## Parent-Teachers Association Held Regular Meeting Last Night; New Officers Elected

**Mrs. P. B. Cone Elected  
President; Miss Pen-  
land, Secretary**

The Williamston Parents-Teachers Association met at the school auditorium Thursday. The roll call and committee reports were made. After the regular program was concluded the association proceeded with the election of officers for the coming year. Mrs. P. B. Cone was elected president; Mrs. C. A. Harrison, vice president; Miss Penland, secretary; and Mrs. Myrtle Brown, treasurer.

The retiring officers, Mrs. A. R. Dunning, president; Miss Ethel Griffin, secretary; and Mrs. W. H. Harrell, treasurer, have been faithful to the trust they have held and have succeeded in leading the association in many activities in helping the school and the community.

## Memorial Baptist Sunday Services

Sunday morning the pastor will have for his sermon subject, "A Preacher of Righteousness." At the evening hour, "A Dreamer on His Way to the Throne."

It is the policy of this church to begin and close its services on schedule time. In this way, the people know when the services will begin and when they will close.

If a church announces its services will begin at a certain hour, then this constitutes a contract with its constituency, and should be as rigidly held to as any business contract. When the people know what to expect about the beginning and closing of the services, it is easy to arrange for attendance, and at the same time to meet the other obligations of the day.

## Old Mill Inn Opened For Business Today

The Old Mill Inn was opened today on the Williamston-Washington road. It will be opened for visitors, who can get meals served at all hours. Regular dinners will be served and special meals upon request.

The inn was formerly the old Rawls Mill and has been changed into an attractive road house, where other amusements will be furnished next summer.

Mr. Simon Lilley, the proprietor, has been at work for a year or so getting the pond ready for a bathing spot, and by next summer this will also be completed.

This will be the only place of its kind in or near Williamston will be very popular. Mr. Lilley will be on the job always and render the service that attracts.

## STRAND THEATRE

IT'S HERE—  
MONDAY AND

TUESDAY  
February 15 and 16

"THE  
MERRY WIDOW"

With John Gilbert  
and Mae Murray

25c and 50c

## THE ENTERPRISE WEEKLY SERMON

**THE FOURTH COMMANDMENT**  
"Remember the Sabbath Day to keep it holy. Six days shalt thou labor and do all that thou hast to do; but the seventh is the Sabbath of the Lord thy God. In it thou shalt do no manner of work; thou, and thy son, and thy daughter, thy man servant, and thy maid servant, thy cattle, and thy stranger that is within thy gates. For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day; wherefore the Lord blessed the seventh day and hallowed it."

By REV. C. O. PARDO

Sabbath or Sunday, which is the day to keep? Is it binding on God's people to keep the first day of the week or the last day? Are Jews right when they observe the seventh day, and are Christians equally right when they observe the first day? If both are right, did God intend that two days out of seven should be observed? These and many other questions are always being asked concerning the fourth commandment. Usually those who ask these questions desire an answer of "yes" or "no" convincingly brief and emphatic. Which reminds me of the story told concerning a criminal trial when the accused, on the witness stand, was asked by the lawyer, "Did you strike your wife with a club because you loved her? Answer yes or no." The question failed to reach the truth in the case, as the man was unmarried. So in order to answer the questions surrounding the Sabbath Day, and the teaching of the fourth commandment, it is necessary to look a little deeper than the surface and endeavor to find the deep and unchanging principle involved.

In the first place, the Sabbath Day is clearly and distinctly mentioned in the commandment as "The Sabbath of the Lord thy God." This might be better interpreted to read "A Sabbath to the Lord thy God."

The first mention of the Sabbath Day is found in Exodus, chapter 16, verse 23, "Tomorrow is a solemn rest, a holy Sabbath unto Jehovah," while the first reference to the seventh day as a day of rest—as a hallowed or holy day unto the Lord—is in Genesis, chapter 2, verse 3, where it speaks of God as having finished His work of creating, and "He rested on the seventh day and hallowed it."

Now to arrive at the principal involved, it would seem that God by example and by direct command, requires one day in seven be observed as a day different from the other days. God blessed the seventh day. God hallowed the seventh day, and one day in seven is required to be set apart as the Holy Sabbath to the Lord.

There is no way of knowing if the first day is Monday, or Thursday, or Saturday, because of our changes in time calculation and system of calendar reckoning. Just so, there is no way of knowing if Saturday or Wednesday, or Sunday is the seventh day or the third day or the first day. How, then, may men dogmatically declare keep Saturday as Sabbath, and the matter is they can not do so with the matter is they can not do so with any authority. For years and years Saturday—named after the Roman God, Saturn—was looked upon as the seventh day of the week and observed by the Jews as Sabbath. When the Christian era came and the Son of God who was crucified rose on Sunday—the day known as the first day of the week, His followers—the disciples of Christ—began to observe the first day rather than the seventh day, as a memorial of Christ's resurrection and triumph over sin, death, and the grave. We read in the New Testament that the early Christian congregations observed the first day, or Sunday. Now, Sunday is named after the sun and not after the Son of God. The sun had been an object of worship for centuries before Christ. The Egyptians, the Romans, the East Indians, were sun worshippers, even as were the South and North American Indians.

When Constantine, the Emperor of Rome, embraced Christianity in the year 312 A. D., he enjoined the observance of Sunday as the Christian Sabbath, following out the custom already established by the early church of Christ.

To the Mohammedans, Friday is a holy day and so observed.

This is a matter of interest, because

## REGULAR SESSION RECORDERS COURT

Number of Cases Tried for Assault With Deadly Weapon; Several Fines Meted Out

At the regular session of the recorder's court Tuesday, J. C. Smith presided and Solicitor E. S. Peel, prosecuted.

The first case called was against Bill Purvis for larceny. He pleaded guilty of petty larceny, which plea was accepted by the solicitor for the State. He was fined \$50 and costs and sentenced to the county jail for 60 days to be assigned to the roads of Edgecombe County, the road sentence to be suspended for 12 months.

The cases against Lewis Brown and Warren Morgan were not prossed.

Jesse Rascoe, charged with an assault with a deadly weapon, was found not guilty of assault on Hattie Roberson, but guilty of assault on Hattie Inascoe. Judgment was suspended upon payment of the costs.

The cases against Kelly Davenport and Heber Davenport, charging them with larceny, was continued until February 16, 1926.

Henry Cherry, Alexander Savage, Hosie Davis, and Norman Jones pleaded guilty to assault with deadly weapon. Each was fined \$5.00 and one-fourth of the costs.

Ernest Phillips pleaded guilty to a charge of assault with a deadly weapon and was fined \$20 and the costs and required to pay \$10 for the services of Dr. Pittman.

## Lenten Services In Episcopal Church

Ash Wednesday: 10:30 a. m., Holy Communion. 4:00 p. m., Litany and address by the rector.

Friday, Feb. 19: 4:00 p. m., Litany and address by Rev. C. H. Dickey.

Friday, Feb. 26: 4:00 p. m., Litany and address by Rev. C. H. Dickey.

Friday, March 5: 4:00 p. m., Litany and address by Rev. W. T. Lee.

Friday, March 12: 4:00 p. m., Litany and address by Rev. W. T. Lee.

Friday, March 19: 4:00 p. m., Litany and address by Rev. A. J. Manning.

Friday, March 26: Good Friday: 12 noon to 3 p. m.—The three-hour service, conducted by the rector, assisted by Reverends Lee, Dickey, and Manning.

Each Wednesday in Lent at 4 p. m. Litany and address by the rector.

The members of all churches and those not members of any church are cordially invited to attend any or all of these services.

## Highway Commission Lets New Contract

The highway commission has let a contract for hard surfacing route 30 from Chocowinity to the Craven County line, a distance of about 7 miles. The work will begin in a few weeks and should be completed by the early fall. This will almost complete the hard surfacing of route 30 from the Roanoke River to the Cape Fear.

Mr. G. H. Harrison spent today in Rocky Mount.

It shows us that in mankind there is an instinctiveness to set apart one day in seven as a holy day.

Since God requires one day in seven it becomes a duty on the part of mankind to observe "A Sabbath to the Lord."

How we shall observe the Sabbath, what we shall and shall not do is not a matter apart from this question, for God says, "Thou shalt do no labor," and forbids us, requiring "the man servant, the maid servant," and even the beast of burden, laboring on the Sabbath; yet "the ox in the ditch" may be removed, which shows labors of mercy or actual necessity may be done. Providing, of course, we are not saving up oxen to push in the ditch.

The matter of worshipping God on the Sabbath is a matter of custom, as well as being implied in the Old Testament; while in the New Testament the Scriptures plainly tell us to "gather together on the first day of the week" in congregation.

Now, the practical application of the above matter is this: The Sabbath belongs to God. He desires and requires reverence for His holy day. He expects worship and praise always, but he also expects practical worship and praise by our observing His commands.

God does not require us to refrain from all activity on the Sabbath. But He does require a proper and reverent observance of His holy day.

Worship—praise—attend the place where people gather together to honor Him—the church. Not in the drug

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## WOMAN'S CLUB IN REGULAR MEETING

Reports of Committees Show Much Constructive Work; Hear World Court Discussed

The Woman's Club met in their club rooms Wednesday. Mrs. Lucy D. Biggs, president of the club, presided. Mrs. Thigpen, the secretary, was absent, and Mrs. N. C. Green was chosen secretary pro tempore.

Various committees made their reports as follows:

The committee on building and grounds had made numerous improvements, additions, and repairs to the hall.

Several new members were reported and received by the membership committee.

Mrs. C. R. Fleming was made chairman of the social committee.

The charity committee reported \$10 received from the town. They also reported that they had sent Mrs. Bullock to a hospital for treatment.

The application of Mr. Wynn, an epileptic, for hospital treatment, was referred to the charitable committee for investigation.

The welfare committee reported the collection of \$15.

A communication, donating water and lights to the club, by the town board was received.

Clayton Moore, who had been invited to address the meeting on the important topic, "The World Court," was present, and made a good talk on the subject.

A resolution was unanimously passed, urging the employment of a home demonstration agent for Martin County.

A letter was read from Mrs. J. M. Hobgood, of Farmville, who is district president of the Federation of Women's Clubs, saying that she would visit the club at its regular meeting in March. The time for the meeting was fixed at 2:30 p. m., instead of the regular hour.

Notice will be sent to each member requesting them to attend this meeting.

A special meeting was called to be held on the first Monday in March at 10 o'clock. Important business will come before this meeting, and all members are expected to attend.

## Mr. Pardo To Preach in Goldsboro and Kinston

Rev. Clarence O. Pardo, chairman of the commission on evangelism of the Diocese of East Carolina, will be in Goldsboro and Kinston to present the subject of evangelism in the churches of these cities next Sunday.

The usual services of the church of the Advent will be conducted by the licensed lay readers of the parish.

## High School to Play Jamesville Tonight

The town team game last night was followed by a game between the high school teams of Washington and Jamesville.

Washington never had a showing as the score indicates. The Washington boys were no match for the hardy youngsters from Jamesville, where they are born basketball and baseball players. The score was 20 to 1.

The Williamston boys will meet this strong team on the local floors tonight, and they will probably need our support, so be on hand.

## Episcopal Church Sunday Services

Rev. C. O. Pardo, Rector  
Quinquagesima Sunday:  
9:45 a. m.—Church School.  
9:45 a. m.—Advent Bible Class.  
11 a. m.—Morning prayer.  
3 p. m.—Holy Trinity Mission.

The rector will be absent on Sunday, and the morning service will be conducted by the lay readers of the parish, assisted by the Y. P. S. L.

## Regular Services At Riddicks Grove Sunday

The regular services will be held at Riddicks Grove Baptist Church at 3 p. m., Sunday. A splendid congregation was present last meeting day, and a fine service was held. Come and let's make it better this Sunday. A cordial welcome to all.—R. L. Shirley, pastor.

## Weather Is More Severe Than Usual

The weather has been more severe this winter than usual, and there have been more storms of wind, snow, and cold than there usually are. Shipping has suffered greatly, and there has been much suffering from cold all along the Atlantic coast.

## County Farm Agent Says Martin Farmers Are Big Losers By Not Using Pedigreed Cotton Seed

By T. B. BRANDON

I find upon a very thorough investigation that Martin County plants very poor varieties of cotton. I find that the farmers are willing to plant anything that is called cotton seed.

To prove this, I have run two cotton variety tests in the county in the past two years. The best local varieties yielded an average of 950 pounds of seed cotton per acre, and the best pedigreed seed, secured from reputable breeders, yielded as high as 1,600 pounds of seed cotton to the acre. I think it is worth while for the farmers to know these things, and to get better seed.

The county agent is ready and prepared to give the farmers reliable information as to where to get these seed. Farmers who would like to get better seed should see me at once, as I am trying to get enough orders for a car of seed. By getting a car of seed, it can be bought much cheaper. These seed must be bought soon or the supply will soon be exhausted.

Dr. R. Y. Winters, of the State Experiment Station, says on an average over the State, for each dollar invested in good cotton seed, it pays a return of \$24.00. This is one of the best investments I know of.

## LOCALS DEFEAT FORT BRAGG, 16-14

One of Best Exhibitions of Basketball Ever Seen Here; Picked to Lose. Town Team Won by Fighting

The basketball game last night between the locals and Fort Bragg was by far the best game of the season, and possibly the most enjoyable ever played here from the standpoint of local fans.

It was interesting from beginning to end. The local boys took the lead early in the first half, but the soldier boys gave them a hard run for the points during the latter half. All of the visitors were big, well-built men, but they played a clean, fair game during either a winning or losing streak. Fouls were numerous on both sides, but none of them were intentional. Elby Johnson, of Washington, refereed, and, as usual when he calls a game, there was no kick on his decisions.

Our boys all played well, no one of them being outstanding especially, but rather players who were out to win the game rather than to startle the crowd with spectacular plays. The forwards, Bowden and Hassell, made every possible goal and some that were really not possible. Margolis, Britt, and Anderson played to them wonderfully.

A conversation between two of the soldiers was overheard just before the game. They said it was a "shame for that little boy (Irving Margolis) to play, because he's liable to get hurt." By the end of the first quarter, however, their fears were not for Irving but for his "man," a big husky six-footer.

All in all, local fans enjoyed it because it was a close game, a fair game, and a game that we won, 16-14.

## Roanoke River Continues to Rise

The water in the Roanoke continues to rise slowly and will rise a few days yet, according to reports. Still there is no fear of any damage, as the water will not reach above the stage of the medium freshet.

## Lenten Season Starts Next Wednesday

Next Wednesday is Ash Wednesday or the first day of Lent. In the last few years, Lent has become the season observed by nearly all the churches, although for centuries only the Roman and Orthodox and Episcopal Churches observed the season.

Lent is the forty days preceding Easter and commemorates the last forty days of our Lord's life and ministry. In the church it is a season of prayer and fasting—a time when the usual social activities are laid aside for our Lord's sake. Special Ash Wednesday services will be held in the Episcopal church by the rector, Rev. C. O. Pardo, at 10:30 a. m., and 4:00 p. m. The public is invited to attend.

## Mr. Andrews to Take Over Parmele Agency

Mr. J. W. Andrews, local agent for the Atlantic Coast Line for the last several years, has been transferred to Parmele and will leave today for that place to take over the duties of the Parmele agent.

Mr. Andrews will be succeeded here by Mr. Vernon Godwin, who has been his assistant.

Mr. Andrews will continue to live in Williamston. Mrs. Andrews and her two daughters, Misses Mary Melissa and Elsie, will move in New Town. Mr. and Mrs. Titus Critcher and children will also move into the new bungalow erected by Lilley Brothers and be with them.

## HORSE AND CAR IN HEAD-ON COLLISION

Horse Instantly Killed And Driver of Car Cut and Bruised; Rider Escapes Uninjured

Thursday morning, as Mr. D. W. Etheridge and Mrs. S. W. Weatherly, of Hassells, were driving along the Hamilton road near Williamston they met a negro man on horseback. The car and horse were both in high gear and ran squarely together, resulting in the instant death of the horse and the cutting of Mr. Etheridge's hand and bruising him up considerably.

Mr. Etheridge, the driver of the car, was driving, according to his opinion, about 25 miles an hour and was on his proper side, well to the edge of the road, and the negro was expected to get on the right, but instead held well to the left and struck the Ford about the center. The rider was pitched clear over the car and fell on the ground, but was unhurt. The men in the car were dashed thru the windshield. The car itself was almost completely wrecked.

From all indications, the whole trouble was caused by the foolish and criminal carelessness of the negro who was riding the horse, which belonged to Claude Manning.

## NEWS IN BRIEF OF JAMESVILLE

Jamesville High School Boys Basketball Team Win Several Games; Other News of Interest

(Special To The Enterprise)  
Jamesville, Feb. 12.—The Jamesville high school basketball team visited Plymouth last week to play a team that is coached by an ex-coach of Jamesville—Mrs. L. H. Hubble. The game was roughly played though a very interesting one, Jamesville winning 18-12.

Last Tuesday the Williamston High School played Jamesville in Jamesville. The game was well played and showed good sportsmanship. The Williamston boys stated at the beginning that they could accept defeat as well as victory. We congratulate Mr. Bowden on the wonderful sportsmanship which was manifested throughout the entire game. Although the score was 29-2 in Jamesville's favor the Williamston boys fought from start to finish.

Wednesday afternoon Farm Life visited Jamesville for a return game. The game began with much rough work on the part of the opposing team which showed very little basketball, but excellent football practice. Mr. Meadows, of Williamston, refereed the first half of the game, but at the second half Farm Life became very quarrelsome and refused to play because Mr. Paul Waters, Jamesville's referee, was to referee the game as agreed. After seeing that no satisfactory agreement could be reached, the Jamesville team was ordered to dress. After Farm Life left the court a practice game was played and enjoyed much more than the first. The score was in favor of Jamesville.

The basketball fans of Martin County will have a chance to see a real game if they will visit the game between Jamesville High School and the Ayden town team next Saturday night at Everetts. These teams have met before, Jamesville winning after an extra five-minute was played by a margin of three points.

**Personals**  
Mrs. J. E. Smithwick returned Tuesday from a delightful visit to Florida.

Miss Mary Fagan and Mrs. Vernie Mae Jordan, of Dargens, leave for Florida Saturday, where Miss Fagan's sister is seriously ill.

Miss Beatrice White, Miss Pearl Jones, Mr. C. C. Smith motored to Williamston yesterday on business.

We are glad to state that Mrs. Louis Mizelle is on the road to recovery from a serious attack of ear trouble.

Mendames A. Hassell, Hugh Horton, and Martha H. Britt, and A. Hassell, Jr., motored to Raleigh yesterday.

Mr. Wilson G. Lamb has returned from a long trip.

