

## Local Market Nears Three-Million Mark

### NEARLY MILLION POUNDS ON SALE HERE THIS WEEK

### Market Was Blocked First Three Days; Cleared Up Thursday

### LOT DAMAGED WEED Sales Slowed Pp Considerably By Damaged Tobacco; Prices Continue Good

Today's tobacco sales on the Williamston market will bring the number of pounds sold during the month up to a point about equal the sales for the same month last year, according to official reports made this morning. The total sales are around the three million mark, the greater part of the tobacco having been sold here during the past two weeks. Wet weather during the first few days greatly interfered with the sales, and had much to do with preventing the market establishing a record for a comparative period.

The sales for the week up to and including those yesterday amounted to approximately 800,000 pounds, and averaged a little under eighteen cents. A considerable amount of damaged tobacco was placed on the floors here this week, and that had much to do with bringing the average down. The sales showed more strength yesterday when the market established the highest average of the week. Today's sale is said to be one of the largest of the week, and the average price is expected to better the one of yesterday, which will mean an average above eighteen cents.

Sales have been unusually slow most of the week on account of the damaged tobacco, but now that the block is cleared, the sales are progressing very rapidly.

The warehousemen are advising the growers to market their crop as soon as possible, and suggest that the farmers hold the best grades a short while. The best tobaccos continue to show more strength, and tobaccoists say that the best grades are beginning to sell for a price as high and higher than the same grades sold for last season.

With all blocks cleared away and a majority of the damaged weed sold next week is expected to be one of the best of the season. With the largest and best set of buyers on the market this year than ever before, Williamston is making a strong bid for a large percentage of the crop this year, and so far it has established a commendable record.

## BOY IS RUN DOWN BY CAR

### 11-Year-Old Colored Boy Victim of Hit-and-Run Driver Tuesday

Frizzell Slade, eleven-year-old colored boy, suffered a broken leg when he was run down by a hit-and-run driver between here and the fair grounds last Tuesday night. The injury was not great, as only one of the smaller bones was broken.

The boy was returning from the grounds alone, and as he neared the home of Mr. E. P. Cunningham three automobiles raced up, one of them striking the boy on the leg. Mr. Exum Ward heard the cries of the boy a few minutes later, stopped his car and brought him to his home here where a doctor was called.

The young boy had failed to return that afternoon at the request of his mother, and he appears to be taking his hurts without complaining very much.

## STRAND THEATRE

SATURDAY THE DESERT in RIDER JACK HOXIE Added COMEDY AND SERIAL "The Golden Stallion"

## START PAVING ROAD TODAY

### Roberts Paving Co. Begin Work on Link Between Here and Windsor

With the arrival of machinery here yesterday, paving was started today by the Roberts Paving Co., on the link between here and Windsor, at the end of the river fill. According to present plans of the company, nine feet of the road from the end of the fill to the river bridge will be paved, and when that is completed work will be started on the link between the end of the fill and the point where the company first started paving several weeks ago. When that portion is paved, the company will then complete the paving of the other nine feet from the end of the fill to the bridge.

While traffic will be slightly held up, the route will not be blocked at any time, and travel will be handled in the best way possible. Several pieces have been provided for cars to pass out another on the fill while the construction work is underway.

At the present time traffic to Windsor is being handled over a detour, but within about two weeks half of the road will be opened and travel may be made over the hard-surfaced half of the way between the two towns.

## SUPERIOR COURT ENDS THURSDAY

### Few Cases Were Tried During Term, Leaving Congested Calendar

The September term of Martin County Superior court was brought to a close here yesterday afternoon when Judge M. V. Barnhill, of Rocky Mount, dismissed the jury from further duty. The cases tried during the term number very few, and as a whole, little or nothing was done. With few exceptions, the cases on the docket for trial during the term will go over to furies already crowded with various questions awaiting settlement.

The hardest fought case of the entire term was that of Hughes against Salisbury, in which a verdict was returned in favor of the defendant at the close of two days' litigation. The first poll of the jury was reported to be 7-5. Hughes, a Floridian man, was suing for \$50,000, basing his claim on the alienation of the wife's affections.

A suit resulted in the Dickey versus Railroad. The suit came about when Dickey, a highway employe at the time, ran his car into a freight train while it was standing on the track at a crossing in Parmele. The plaintiff lost an eye and received other injuries in the wreck, which happened several months ago.

A mistrial was ordered in the divorce suit of Mary Harris versus Hubert Harris, colored, when it was found that the abandonment charge could not be applied to the case. The plaintiff, it was shown in court, had lived a part of five years in Virginia and two or three years in this State.

A mistrial was also ordered in the suit of Biggs and Stalls against A. L. Alexander, the case having to do with a cotton contract.

Judge Clayton Moore, of this place, presided over the court the first week when most criminal cases were up for trial.

## Officers Here Place Three Men in Jail Last Night

Three young white men, said to be from Edenton, were jailed here last night charged with being drunk. One of the three escaped a night's stay in the jail when he raised a cash bond. The other two were released this morning under bond.

While driving down the town's Main street, they hit a car and were forced to stop. Officers Ramey and Allsbrooks made the arrests.

## Local Hi Eleven To Play Ahoskie Here Today

The local high school football team will meet Ahoskie's strong eleven here this afternoon at 4:30 o'clock in a second game of the season. The boys are anticipating a win, but it is understood that Ahoskie will furnish strong competition.

## Small Fire Near Warehouses Today

The volunteer fire company was called out here just before the noon hour today when the roof of the two-story house next to the brick warehouse caught fire. Little damage was done, and the fire was put under control without the use of a water line.

## TWO NEWSCHOOL BUILDINGS BEING BUILT IN COUNTY

### Work Progressing Rapidly On Buildings Here and In Robersonville

### COST \$50,000.00 A PIECE

### Buildings Are Practically Identical; Contract Calls for Completion During Next April

Work on Martin County's two new \$50,000 school buildings is progressing very rapidly at this time, after a delay of several weeks caused by unfavorable weather conditions and material shortages. Approximately 35 men are at work on the two buildings at the present time, and according to the builders, frame construction and brick work will probably be completed within ten or twelve weeks. The contract calls for the completion of both buildings in April of next year, and with favorable weather the time conditions will be met with all ease.

After a delay of three weeks, the heavy timbers arrived here last Friday from South Carolina, and today they were practically all placed and covered with sub-flooring. Masons will return next week to continue the brick work now that the first-floor timbers are placed.

Building operations here are being carried on simultaneously with those on the Robersonville building, and the houses will be ready for use each about the same time.

With one or two minor exceptions, the two buildings will be alike, having the same number of rooms, halls, and like heating systems. The seating capacity of the auditoriums will be the same in both buildings, and will accommodate over 500 people. The changes in the plans of the two buildings number two and are found in the auditorium and over the front entrances. Where the floor of the auditorium in the local building is sloping, the Robersonville auditorium floor is mostly level. The difference in construction will make it possible for the pupils to use the Robersonville auditorium for athletic purposes. That they will do so is not definitely known at this time. The other change is noticed in the construction over the front entrances, the local building having straight line effects, while the entrances on the Robersonville building will have the arch. Aside from this outside difference, the Robersonville building will look the same as the building pictured on this page.

Trimmed in cream-colored brick, the walls of the building will be constructed of red brick mainly. The cream-colored bricks are being used up to the floor line and above the second story windows and doors, corresponding in direct proportions with those laid near the ground. Four rows of the yellow bricks will be placed in the center of each building, making for a pilaster effect. Other trimmings around the windows and doors will add to the attractiveness of the buildings.

The building will have four main entrances, besides others to the boiler rooms and auditorium.

## FARMER KILLS WIFE AND SELF

### Double Tragedy in Nash County Is Caused by Domestic Trouble

Wednesday of this week, B. R. Morgan, a Nash County farmer living near Castalia, shot his wife dead as she ran away from him screaming for help. He left the scene and entered a woods a short distance away and when officers started a search he fired two loads of shot into his own breast. He was rushed to a Rocky Mount hospital where he died a few minutes later.

Mr. Morgan, who was only 30 years old, had had trouble with his wife and was in court last August charged with whipping her. Since that time they had not lived together. Wednesday he took his gun and to his wife's home and as soon as she saw him, she attempted to run but was shot down. She died instantly. Four small children survive.

Dr. MacMillan To Be At Baptist Church Synady

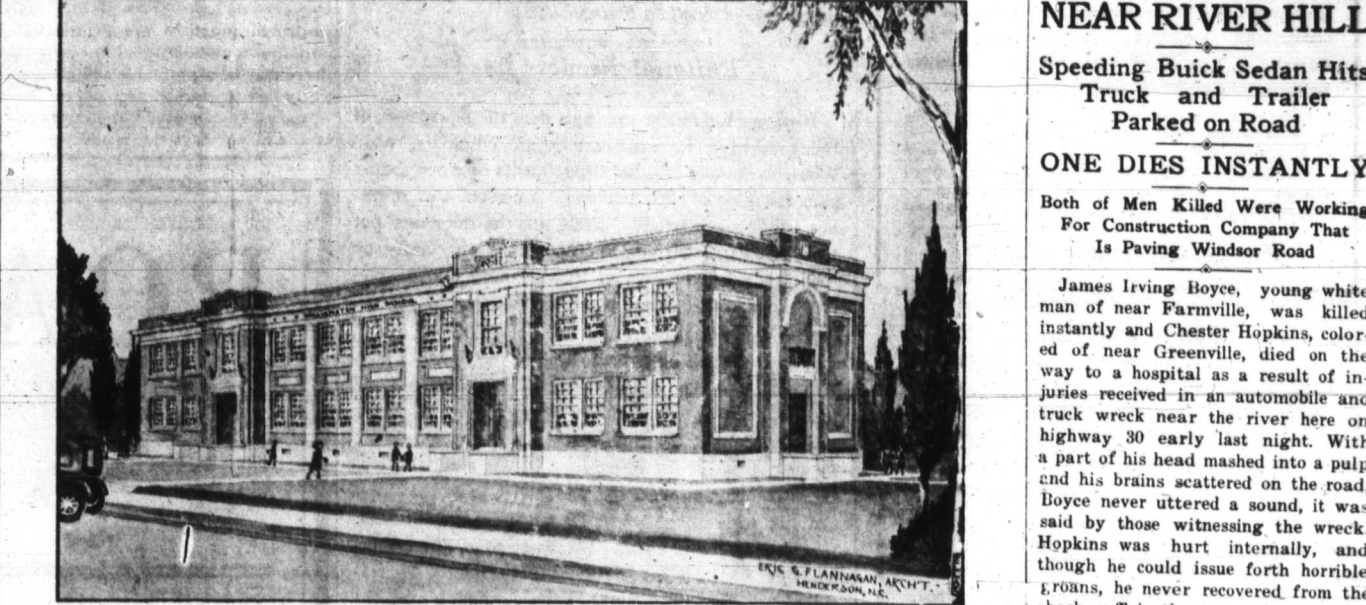
In the absence of the pastor Rev. C. H. Dickey, Dr. MacMillan, of Wake Forest, will conduct the services at the Baptist church here Sunday morning at the regular hours, 11 and 7:30 o'clock. Those who heard Dr. MacMillan when he preached in the church here several months ago will give him a splendid hearing this Sunday morning and evening.

It is with regret that the pastor is unable to be here for the services, but he is at the bedside of his mother, who continues critically ill at her home in Murphy.

The public is invited to hear Dr. MacMillan at either or both of the Sunday services.

## TWO ARE KILLED IN AUTOMOBILE WRECK HERE EARLY LAST NIGHT

### ARCHITECT'S DRAWING OF WILLIAMSTON'S NEW SCHOOL



The above is a photograph of the architect's sketch of the new \$50,000 school building now under construction here. The contract calls for the completion of the building next April. The building in Robersonville will be practically identically the same as the one being constructed here.

## ROANOKE FAIR CLOSES ITS SEVENTH ANNUAL SHOWING HERE TODAY

### LOCAL HIGHS WIN FIRST GAME

### Defeat Robersonville Before Big Crowd Tuesday At Fair Grounds, 12-0

Robersonville's strong football eleven was turned back by the local highs here last Tuesday afternoon, 12 to 0, in an exceptionally good game. It was the first game of the season for both of the teams, and the boys engaged fully into the play.

With the odds slightly in favor of the visitors, the local boys started with a rush, and taking advantage of the first break they carried the ball into their opponents' territory, where it was held during the greater part of the game. Both teams lined held solidly, and practically all the noticeable gains came through end runs and forward passes, the Williamston team completing three out of four passes attempted. The boys followed regular college tactics in making their tackles, for they tackled both hard and quickly, affording few chances for gains. The defense of both teams featured the game, there being very few first downs made.

Clark's run around right end for a touchdown was possibly the outstanding feat of the game, but Buck Saunders' catch of a high forward pass for the second touchdown was probably the most thrilling act of the day. Manning, for the locals, made several good end runs and proved himself one of the team's most reliable ground-gainers.

While both teams worked as a unit, the individual play of Rogerson, Bunting, and Roebuck, for Robersonville, was outstanding. Jim Dawson Cook made the stellar tackle of the game when he broke through to down a man several yards behind the line of scrimmage.

## Federal Agent Gets Two Stills This Week

Federal Agent C. F. Alexander, accompanied by Mr. Vance Price, made a raid in Bear Grass township last Wednesday and picked up two copper stills, each of about 60 gallon capacity. A large quantity of beer was found at each of the still sites, but no one was near when the officers entered the woods. Information was insufficient to lead to any arrests. Both stills were cold and no liquor was found.

## Snow Falls in Several Sections of Country

The earliest fall in years has been reported in certain sections of the United States. Snow fell in Chicago last Wednesday and a light fall was reported in Massachusetts and Pennsylvania. The temperature was down to 46 degrees in New York, the lowest since 1887, when the mercury dropped to 41 degrees. Light frosts have been reported in this section, but it was so light that plants were not damaged.

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## PRINCIPAL SAYS SCHOOL MAKING GOOD PROGRESS

### Teachers and Students Are Badly Hicapped by Lack of Room

### ENROLLMENT IS 592

### Building Was Erected To Accommodate Only 350; Making Best of Bad Situation

Those who might be passing the local school building, which was erected to accommodate 350 students, while the present enrollment of 592 pupils are turning out of the same building for lunch would get a different impression were they to visit the school while all classes are in session. Professor L. H. Davis stated yesterday when asked how the school work was progressing. "It is true that the visitors would find the building crowded from basement to garret, but they would also see order and ease of movement on the part of both teachers and students," he added.

Doubtless the recess arrangements have as much to do with this as either willingness of pupils or management of teachers, both of which are excellent. All grades have recess during the morning except the upper four in the high school; however, it is not called recess. At various times during the morning the several teachers give their respective grades a period of supervised play on the grounds. Not more than three grades are out at the same time. Soon after the first three grades teachers give their pupils this recreation period, the upper grammar grade teachers take their folks out. This works to the advantage of all concerned as only children of similar age and size are on the grounds at the same time, thus giving the entire grounds to the primary children at one time and to the grammar grades next.

The annual fair problem seems to be solved. Every day this week all classes have been cut short ten minutes, making the day end at 1:00. The students seem to like this better, and the teachers report better prepared assignments. Only a few absences have been reported and no parents have called for their children. Heretofore when afternoon sessions were held, dozens of parents called daily during the week for their children to take them to the fair. This did not occur one time during the week.

Due to the fact that the weather turned cold unexpectedly, several classes have been held on the grounds in the sunshine because of chilliness in the rooms. The heating plant is being checked over and it is hoped that there will be heat on next week, or that the weather will warm up a bit.

## Three Men Arrested for Trying to Climb Fence

### Three young white men, H. O. Smith, of Greensboro, H. L. Waters and E. L. Price, of Greenville, were arrested last night when they attempted to enter the fair grounds by the fence route. Smith stated he was a representative of the Carolina Motor club.

The three men were permitted to buy tickets and pass in without other trouble.

The white man's body was removed to the home of the parent's, Mr. and Mrs. P. B. Boyce, three miles out of Farmville, this morning. The father and brother of the dead man came for the body. Funeral services will

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## TWO OTHERS ARE HURT IN CRASH NEAR RIVER HILL

### Speeding Buick Sedan Hits Truck and Trailer Parked on Road

### ONE DIES INSTANTLY

### Both of Men Killed Were Working For Construction Company That Is Paving Windsor Road

James Irving Boyce, young white man of near Farmville, was killed instantly and Chester Hopkins, colored of near Greenville, died on the way to a hospital as a result of injuries received in an automobile and truck wreck near the river here on highway 30 early last night. With a part of his head mashed into a pulp and his brains scattered on the road, Boyce never uttered a sound, it was said by those witnessing the wreck. Hopkins was hurt internally, and though he could issue forth horrible groans, he never recovered from the shock sufficiently to speak.

George Burch, colored and a third party to the wreck, suffered a broken ankle and was badly cut about the face and body when he was hurled from a trailer attached to the truck to a point twenty feet away to the side of the road. Although he was badly shocked and hurt, he related a few details in connection with the wreck. Reports from a Washington hospital this morning where he was carried soon after the wreck occurred, were very favorable and point to possible recovery. Three other men, riding the truck and trailer, were hurt but not seriously.

Employees of the Roberts-Paving Company, Mr. Boyce with the five colored men, was here securing housing quarters for the company's workmen while the road between here and Windsor is being paved. Mr. Boyce, driver, had stopped his truck in front of the home of Phillis Smith, a few yards from Reuben Speller's store, with the left wheels of the truck and trailer on the hard surface and the right wheels on the ground, while one of the men went to seek a room. Facing toward the river and on the right side of the road, they were awaiting the return of the man who had gone to look for a room when James Mizelle, 18-year-old Dardens boy, drove a big Buick around the curve and ran it into the rear end of the trailer, knocking the truck into a field and damaging the trailer. It was all over in the twinkling of an eye, and there laid a dead man, another fatally wounded and a third seriously injured. No one could determine just how the accident happened.

Fletcher Forte, one of the employes, stated he had just returned to the trailer when he saw the big car coming around the curve at a fast rate of speed, that he jumped for the ditch, an while he was hurt, his injuries proved not serious. Offie Cherry told about the same story as was related by Forte. He stated that he saw the car was going to hit the trailer and that he jumped but not in time to miss a blow on his arm. The manner in which Mr. Boyce met his death was very peculiar, none of those witnessing the wreck being able to tell just how it happened. It appeared to some that he was hit by the trailer's body when it was knocked off; others stating that he was probably thrown to the pavement and hit by the Buick. Hopkins who was seated by the truck's driver is thought to have been hit by a part of the truck, causing his injuries to prove fatal.

Young Mizelle says he was driving around 35 miles an hour and when he rounded the curve he was on the trailer before he could either turn his car to the left or stop it. Other than that, he could give no definite details of the wreck. While he escaped serious injury, he was badly cut and bruised in many places about the body. The Buick car was almost a total wreck with its engine knocked out of place and the body frame bent and damaged.

It was stated by his grandfather that the boy had been requested not to remove the car from the fair grounds until the family was ready to return to Dardens. He ignored the request and was driving alone when he hit the trailer. After receiving medical attention at a local drug store, he was placed in jail to await a hearing which will be held tomorrow afternoon.

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