

LOCAL SCHOOLS TO BEGIN 1929-30 TERM MONDAY

High School Classes Will Be Held in New Building

FACULTY COMPLETED

L. C. Thornton is Principal of High School Department; B. E. Hood Heads Grammar School

Vacation days for more than 600 white school children in this district will be brought to a close next Monday morning when the 1929-30 term. All is in readiness for the opening. Principal W. R. Watson stated yesterday, and present indications point to a successful year.

With the completion of the new \$50,000 high school building recently, the schools are in a better position than ever to carry on the work. Professor Watson has been here several weeks completing arrangements for the operation of the schools, and with an experienced faculty, he is planning a successful year for the children.

The faculty this year includes:

Misses Serena Peacock, of Fremont, and Hilda Robbins, of Washington, first grade; Misses Estelle Crawford, Williamston, and Lucy Claire Ivey, of Scotland Neck, second grade; Miss Elizabeth Ramsey, Ivor, Va., and Mrs. Raleigh Bradley, Oxford, third grade; Miss Lillian Sample, Davidson, and Mrs. M. J. Moye, Williamston, fourth grade; Miss Lucille Allen, Fuquay Springs, fifth grade; Mrs. Frances Parker, Williamston, seventh grade; and Mr. B. E. Hood, Goldsboro, grammar school principal.

The high school faculty includes:

L. C. Thornton, Fayetteville, principal, science and history; Mrs. W. H. Harrel, Williamston, French and mathematics; Miss Pearl Haywood, of Rockingham, history and mathematics; Miss Pauline Crowson, Goldsboro, English; Wm. R. Watson, Johnston, S. C., superintendent; Mrs. Sallie Manning, public school music.

OAK CITY SCHOOL OPENS MONDAY

Principal Announces Program for First Day's Exercises

The Oak City High School will begin regular school work Monday with a tentative classification and text-book assignments. The regular program will be in the school auditorium at 10 o'clock, the local school board, teachers, and patrons taking part. J. A. Everett, secretary of the local school board, will give the address of welcome and each teacher will make a response.

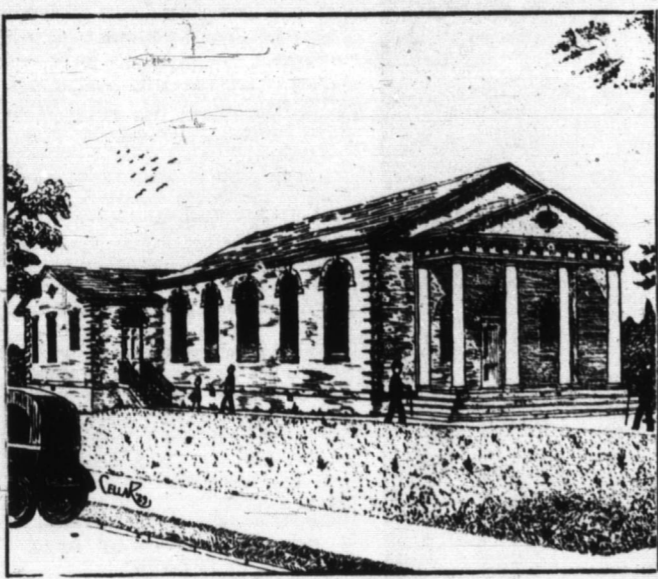
The regular annual testing program begins Tuesday with the intelligence test for grades 1 and 2, and Stanford achievement test for grades 3 to 7, inclusive.

The largest enrollment in the history of the school is expected this school term. The 100 mark is the goal for the high school and possibly 225 in the grades. "Good roads and the cooperation of patrons and friends will aid us in making the above enrollment," Principal H. M. Ainsley stated yesterday.

There will be a faculty meet Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock in the school building, at which time organization of teachers for different school activities will be discussed and a printed memorandum of suggestions distributed.

All students conditions on subjects will be given a chance to remove the conditions by examination Friday morning at 10 o'clock at the school building. However, those preferring may have the same opportunity Saturday morning at the same hour. "It will be necessary to remove such conditions at the earliest possible date, as it will balance records and make your senior year more pleasant."

ARCHITECT'S DRAWING OF NEW CHURCH



The above is the architect's drawing of the new Presbyterian Church, work on which is expected to be started within the next several months. Brick for the structure and part of the money necessary to complete the building have already been donated by members of the denomination.

Presbyterians Are Planning To Build Handsome Church Here Within a Few Months

REV. Z. T. PIEPHOFF

PLANS PROVIDE FOR COMPLETION BEFORE SPRING

Structure Will Be Located
On Main Street, at the
Corner of Watts

PART OF FUND RAISED
Building Will Cost Around \$15,000;
Brick and \$7,000 Have Already
Been Donated

While no open appeal has been made, members of the local Presbyterian church, under the leadership of their pastor, Rev. Z. T. Piephoff, have addressed their appeal to individual members of the church throughout a greater part of North Carolina, and have met with much success in their attempt to erect a church building here and forming a center for denominational work in this county. According to a recent statement coming from the church treasurer's office, the building campaign is meeting with much success and it is hoped that work can be started within a comparatively short time on the new building.

Brick for the \$15,000 edifice have been given, and more than \$7,000 have been raised by local members, aided by the Presbytery and Synod, toward the construction work.

The building, to be located on the south side of Main Street at the corner of Watts, will be of Colonial design throughout. The auditorium is to be entirely separate from the Sunday school department.

At the present time, the Presbyterians have no church of their own here, but they are holding their meetings in the Woman's Club hall here and in the school auditorium at Bear Grass. Since the church was established here a short time ago, organization work has progressed rapidly. Rev. Z. T. Piephoff has been called as pastor of the church, and under his leadership the building campaign is being carried on.

According to a map prepared by Rev. Mr. Piephoff there are only seven organized Presbyterian churches in this part of the State, and it is with much earnestness that the leaders are striving to erect a building for the promotion of the work here.

County Colored Schools Will Open Next Monday

Three Negro schools, one at Jamesville, another here and a third at Robersonville, will open the 1929-30 session next Monday morning, it was learned yesterday afternoon in the office of the county superintendent here.

The school here opens under a handicap, and will have to be housed in the several colored churches and lodges. The building was burned last year, and authorities found it impossible to include a new building in the budget this year. Professor J. C. Hayes will again head the school.

To Begin Revival in Everetts Church Sunday

Rev. David Roberson, a Wake Forest College senior, will conduct a revival in the Everetts Baptist Church, beginning next Sunday, according to an announcement of the services made last evening.

The meeting will continue for a week or more, it was stated. The church extends a cordial invitation to the public to attend and take part in the meeting.

Williamston Market Is Better Prepared Than Ever For Opening Sales Tuesday

TOBACCO MARKET OPENING SCENES OF A FEW YEARS AGO



The above scenes were snapped in Williamston's 'Tobacco Town' on the day the opening sales were held a few years ago, and gives an idea of the large crowd that usually attends the opening sales.

Past Year Has Seen Much Activity in Building Here; Program Totals \$300,000

LARGE NUMBER OF RESIDENCES BEING ERECTED

Practically Every Type of
Building Built During
Period

NEW RECORD SET UP

Addition to Standard Fertilizer Co. Is
Large Single Item; Value of
Property Raised 19 Per Cent

Increasing the property valuation here by approximately 19 per cent, the present building program, representing a cost of approximately \$300,000, is the most marked in the town's history, and is, it is believed, a record for almost any section in so short a time, one year. While a small percentage of the total amount has been spent for repairs to old buildings, the program includes practically all new buildings.

The program, started about a year ago, is scheduled to be completed within the next 60 or 90 days and includes practically every type of building, residences, business houses, factories, warehouses and amusement places. The largest single item in the program is a new unit to the Standard Fertilizer Company's plant, on Roanoke River. During the period, the new Planters Warehouse, five new stores, and a modern theater have been built in addition to a number of residences. Two oil companies have added to the program, one locating a station here, and the other establishing a distribution system on the Roanoke.

The town itself is spending several thousand dollars, repairing the river wharf and erecting a large storage warehouse there. In addition to the building program, many improvements to the town's streets and sidewalks have been made, but the cost is not included with that of the building program.

Several of the homes erected range in cost from \$6,000 to \$10,000, and others vary in prices from \$2,000 to \$5,000. A number of tenant houses have also been erected. A feature in the program is the number of homes and buildings erected by the colored people. Several of them have erected homes for themselves and one of the several church congregations has completed the largest house of worship in town, either white or colored. The building is a credit to the members of the church.

The Virginia Electric and Power Company has replaced the old electrical distribution system in its entirety, spending many thousands of dollars on pole lines, wires, transformers, and other equipment. In addition to re-building the distribution system, the power company has erected a costly

JUDGE J. W. BAILEY



J. W. Bailey, judge of the county's recorder's court for several years, announces his partnership in the Bailey-Sessoms Drug Store, which will open here within the next few days.

DRUG STORE WILL OPEN NEXT WEEK

Bailey-Sessoms Drug Store
Is New Firm; Modern
Equipment

The Bailey-Sessoms Drug Company, incorporated this week, will open here within the next few days, according to an announcement made public today by the incorporators, Messrs. J. W. Bailey, of Williamston-Everetts, W. F. Haislip, of this place, and M. M. Sessoms, of Wilson.

The company will occupy the new building next to the postoffice on the Main street. Fixtures will be placed within the next day or two, and when stocked, the store will be one of the most modern in this section.

Mr. Sessoms, a registered druggist of years of experience, will be in active charge of the store, it was stated.

sub-station here, making available power adequate for turning the wheels of hundreds of factories.

In spite of the large expenditures made for building here during the past few months, congested housing conditions are apparently little relieved, and when houses or buildings are made ready for occupancy, some one is waiting to rent them, in practically every case.

SHERIFF MAKES GOOD RECORD

1928 Is One of Two Years That List of Insolvents Ever Under \$1,000

Of the total county tax levy for 1928, \$302,571.36, the sheriff's office here collected \$301,678.56, according to figures given out yesterday afternoon. The percentage remaining uncollected is not quite three-tenths of 1 per cent.

While the collection percentage record for 1928 is not quite as good as the one last year, it is the second time in the history of the office that the insolvent list fell below the \$1,000 mark, it was stated. Last year, the insolvent list amounted to approximately \$600, while this year it amounted to \$892.80. The slight difference, Sheriff C. B. Roebuck pointed out, is due to several bankruptcies and the removal of several personal property tax accounts.

The report, according to the auditor, is among the best in the State.

SUPERIOR COURT WILL BEGIN 16TH

One Murder Case on Docket
And 33 Civil Actions
To Be Heard

The civil calendar for the next term of Martin County Superior court, convening here Monday, September 16, will carry thirty-three cases, according to a schedule announced yesterday by the Martin County Bar association. While the calendar carries a small number of the cases on the civil trial docket, those included are of more or less importance, several having been called before.

While there is already a large number of cases on the criminal docket to be heard at the term, more are being added almost daily, indicating that another record court will be in order here next month. One murder case is on the docket and that will be heard early in the first week, John Sawyer going on trial for his life for killing John Britton, near Everetts, several weeks ago. While no defense attorneys have been named at this time, it is understood that several have been employed to assist in the prosecution.

Labor Day Not To Be Observed in This Section

As far as it could be learned here this morning, Labor Day, next Monday, will pass practically unnoticed in this section, all business houses remaining open with the exception of the postoffices. No rural deliveries or any service will be offered at the post-office here other than that through the lock boxes, it was stated. The town might swing its flags, but that is doubtful, at this time.

GOOD SEASON IS LOOKED FOR BY WAREHOUSEMEN

Three Warehouses Here Have Total Floor Space Of Three Acres

EVERYTHING READY

Several New Races Among List of
Warehouse Proprietors; Good
Set of Buyers Secured

With approximately three acres of floor space, one of the best sets of buyers ever to walk a tobacco warehouse floor, able warehousemen, and keen competition, and efficient employees, the Williamston Tobacco Market opens the season here next Tuesday morning with probably the best prospects in its history for a successful season. Not that all records will be shattered, for there is an admitted decrease in the crop in this section, and the quality is not as good as it usually is, but with the assurance of a loyal support of farmers, warehousemen, and local people. It starts the season with a better good will than ever before, with new warehousemen, a new house, and with everything keyed up to the top notch.

For months, workmen have been busy rebuilding and repairing the buildings, a visit to the houses this morning clearly indicating that the market is better prepared than ever before to offer to the growers the best marketing advantages.

Already the buyers are arriving for the opening sale, and with one or two exceptions the buying personnel will be the same as last year. The market this year will have two John Stokes on it and both have buying reputations. Other old buyers with additional new ones scheduled for the market here this year will bring one of the strongest and largest sets of buyers to be found on any market in the section. The buyers are too numerous to mention here, but letters have been filed stating that every known tobacco company will be represented. And then there are the independent companies; they will have buyers, giving rise to a keen spirit of competitive buying.

The market here opens with the largest warehouse force in its history, approximately 75 men being actively engaged in its operation. Headed by eight able and experienced warehousemen, these employees will be on the market night and day to care for the golden weed as it is brought in. An unexcelled service will be offered. Extra sets of scales have been added, and it is stated that the market will be able to handle easily several hundred thousand pounds daily.

The redrying facilities have been greatly increased here, and everything points to a record year.

With a spirit of cooperation prevailing in every nook and corner, the market bids to maintain and surpass its own position as one of the major markets. The people of the town and community extend a cordial invitation to visit the market here opening day and on throughout the season.

That the farmers and their families might be entertained during the opening day, the Williamston Tobacco Board of Trade has arranged with the management of the Watts Theatre for an all-day show. Visitors to the market that day will be given free passes at the warehouses, and any time between 10 o'clock in the morning and 11 o'clock in the evening they are invited to see the program at the theatre. Several thousand tickets have been prepared; and they will be distributed willingly by the warehousemen and their assistants.

PATROLMEN WILL BE TRANSFERRED

Patrolmen From Ninth District To Come Here; No More Warnings

Patrolmen of the first district made their last appearance here yesterday, for a while at any rate, the motorcyclemen from the ninth district coming to take their places. The first district force will carry on their work in the second district, and so on throughout the sections. The change is in keeping with the system used in Pennsylvania where it is said the results have been found to be better.

According to unofficial reports, the time of warning is just about over, and when the new personnel comes in arrests will be made and cases placed in court. Very few arrests have been made by the patrolmen so far, but thousands of warnings have been made to motorists having improper lights, license tags, and unreliable brakes.

WATTS THEATRE

Monday-Tuesday Sept. 2-3

MILTON SILLS
in
"LOVE AND THE DEVIL"

Also FABLES and NEWS

Saturday August 31
James Oliver Curwood's
"The YELLOWBACK"
with
TOM MOORE

Also SERIAL and COMEDY

MUSIC BY PHOTOTONE