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BE IN COUNTY 4 DAYS NEXT WEEK

Stops at Jamesville, Williamston, Robersonville And Oak City PRICES REMAIN SAME

Car Will Be Operated on Freight Train Schedule; Prices Advances One Cent Per Pound

The second poultry car of the season will be loaded in the county next week, according to a schedule announced by County Farm Agent T. B. Brandon last Tuesday. Prices offered for the fowls remain the same as those paid at the last car loaded here during January. According to reports, official and unofficial, the poultry market is unusually weak so far this season, as much as a five-cent per pound reduction being unofficially reported or some of the northern markets.

In announcing the prices this week, the bureau of markets stated that colored hens commanded a price of 21 cents per pound . After a prolonged argument with the northern dealers, the bureau secured a one-cent raise over the advertised price, making it the same as it was last month.

Loadings were comparatively light in the county last month but an increase is expected next week.

Raisers are advised that the car will be operated on regular freight sche-dules, the railroad company stating that it would be impossible to move the car by passenger trains. After a day in Jamesville next Tuesday, the car will reach here around nine o'clock Wednesday morning. The car will be placed in Robersonville around 10 o'clock the following morning, completing its schedule in this county at Oak City Friday, according to the arrangements announced.

FEW CASES FOR TRIAL TUESDAY

No Session of Recorder's Court Will Be Held Next Tuesday

Aside from the case, charging Mabel Moore Gibson with killing her husband, the last Tuesday session of the recorder's court here attracted but very little attention. Eight cases were call, ed, three of them being continued.

There will be no session of the ccurt next Tuesday, it was announced today, Judge Bailey stating that it would be impossible to preside at the session as business carried him to Raleigh for the day.

The last Tuesday proceedings follow Pleading guilty of simple assault, Robert Leggett was required to pay the court costs, the judge suspending

the sentence. The case charging A. R. Smith with operating a car while under the influence of liquor was continued.

ed at each session of the court for the past several weeks, will probably be heard the 18th of this month.

Charged with larceny and receiving. Theodore Watson, the 14-year-old colored boy known as "Sunshine", asked that his case be continued one week.

Chester Terry, pleading guilty of operating an automobile while under the influence of liquor, was sentenced to the roads for a period of 12 months, the last six to be suspended upon the good behavior of the defendant. In another case charging him with an assault, Terry waived examination, the court requiring bond.

Tom Moore, drunk and disorderly and transporting liquor, was sentence to the roads for a period of 90 days.

Baptists Defeat Methodists In First Game of Series

The Baptist cagers defeated the Methodists 23 to 9 last Tuesday evening in the first of a series of basketball games between the several local Sunday schools. "By superb playing and much effort, they won from us," Bob Coburn, star manager for the methodists, stated following the game, Doc Grimes, with seven field goals, decided the victory, the Methodists finding it impossible to check his drive for points.

Hancock and Robinson shared honors equally, each caging two field shots for the Methodists. Tucker barely escaped a skunking when he made good a foul shot. Coburn and McCabe, also with the Methodists went scoreless,

Taylor and Summerel were credited with three points each, Edwards not counting a point for the Baptists. Harrell who divided the time with Harrison, made a lone shot from the

While there were very few spects ing in the series and a large crowd is expected to see the Baptists and Epislians lock horns on the Planter

POULTRY CAR TO County Will Be Able To Handle Teachers Checks

That all Martin County school teachers will receive their checks according to the regular pay schedules is now practically assured, it was learned at the courthouse here yesterday. Approximately \$40,000 are being added to the treasury this week by Sheriff C. B. Roebuck from the tax collections, and arrangements have been made for the borrowing of money to care for the operating expenses of the schools, it was officially announced.

The county's financial condition was reported to be A-1 yesterday, be unnecessary for the treasurer to post-date teachers' checks, as was

with 16 1-2 Gallons of

Liquor on His Car

delivered to him by four Free Union

ing drawn on a Rocky Mount bank.

leased with his car late yesterday:

Baptists Announce Their

hours. Midweek service Wednesday

evening will be a study of Philip, one

of the Twelve.

of the Twelve.

The pastor appreciates the splendid

congregations of last Sunday. Strangers

and persons recently come to our com-

munity are cordially invited to wor-

Services at Presbyterian

Sunday school, 9:45 a. m.

Church for Next Sunday

Rev. Z. T. Piephoff, Pastor

Worship service and sermon, 11 a. m

With the Sabbath's blessed calm

the other sons of men, who like our-

sad. Let us seek its shelter and its

quiet repose apart from things material.

Attend your church Sunday and should

you have no such connection, come

and worship with us. Visitors are al-

ways welcome at the Church with an

will to come and worship with us.

F. Pope will sing for us again Sunday

Announce Sunday Services

who will attend these services.

Open Door.

ended the chase at once.

proposed a few weeks ago when the outlook was not at all encour-

While expenses have increased in one or two instances, they have been curtailed in other departments which decrease, with tax collec-tions far ahead of those made last year, places the county in really better shape financially than it was at the same time last year, it is

Tax collections are holding up unusually well this week, limiting, to some extent, the belief that much property will be sold for

J. BONE CAUGHT C. TERRY BREAKS RUM RUNNING FROM JAIL HERE garden contest work. The people of the Oak City community are rapidly

Nash County Man Captured Breaks Hole in Thick Wall To Gain Freedom For Only a Few Hours

J. R. Bone, 60 year-old white man, operator of a filling station on the tence, meted out to him in the record-test residing in the country. Rocky Mount-Nashville highway, was er's court last Tuesday, Chester Terry With fifteen local prizes offered, chilcaptured near Jamesville yesterday young white man of near Roberson-dren in the school here are planning to with 16 1-2 gallons of liquor aboard ville, broke through the wall of the prepare an essay on one or more of his car. The machine, a new model Martin county jail here to fredom early the sixteen topics suggested by Prin-Ford coupe, was confiscated and its last Wednesday morning. He went to cipal Wm. R. Watson. The themes owner went to jail until bond could his father's home where the enjoyed suggested are patterned strictly in be arranged late yesterday.

Only a few hours' freedom. Deputy

Mr. Bone had just completed the Grimes calling for him soo, after the loading of the 16 1-2 gallons of liquor delivery was discovered.

Terry was replaced in the jail, but colored men when Agent Coats and this time he occupies a cell surrounded Deputy Roebuck happened along. by bars. He was to have been carried When the colored men saw the of- to the Edegcome roads yesterday, but ficers they scattered in four directions, illness interrupted the plans of the ofmaking good their dashes for free- ficers and he continues in the jail here.

dom. The white man attempted to offer a contest, but Agent Coats hopped lieved to have pulled a pinch bar and a on the running board of the car and leaf of a Ford spring into his cell through a window, but he refused to Appearing before a commissioner tell who furnished the materials and here yesterday. Bone stated that he did the ground work. With the bar and had nothing and went to jail in default spring he knocked a hole in the thick of a \$750 bond. He had not been in wall and let himself down on an imthe jail long before he desired his freeprovised rope made of bed sheets and dom so strongly that he loosened up blankets.

The cell from which Terry made his and offered a cash bond, a check beescape accommodates only one pris-In explaining his side of the case, oner, officers stating that he was placthe unfortunate man stated that he ed there when they suspicioned he had was in the Free Union section engag- the itch and when other prisoners plead

of liquor for his wife who needs a lit- confinement alone. Officer Grimes is said to have factle of the "spirits" every now and then, it was pointed out. The remainder of ed a bitter cursing attack at the hands the liquur he had agreed to haul for the four colored men about a quarter arrest. In making the capture, Deputy and, Joshua L. Coltrain, L. J. Hardi-After arranging bond, he was renear a tobacco barn.

Regular Sunday Program

ries of sermons entitled, "With Je- the seven clubs having their repreday evening the sermon will follow in Miss Sleeper's office, continued dur- starts the new year with a clean slate. happy hour.

county this year. After a report by holders. The Sunday school and B. Y. P. U. Mrs. T. M. Woodburn, of Parmele, meetings will be held at the usual a committee was appointed to draw up Z. N. ROBERSON a constitution and by-laws. Nominations were asked for the outstanding farm woman in the county for the Master Farm Women's organization.

The next meeting of the council will be held the latter part of May, the Sandy Ridge club to be in charge. A county girls' council meeting will be held in the agent's office tomorrow

ng, Miss Sleeper stated. True Sayings: "No punishment is too great for the man who builds his Program of Services greatness upon the ruin of another.'

Rev. A. H. Marshall, Rector Sunday school at 10 a. m.

Morning service at 11. around us, let us seek the House of God. It makes one glad to mingle with selves, are torn with strife, and are chapter, 1 and 2 verses.

The lesson which this brings us in ring near his plate. this twentieth century is the message his life he makes that life of no value tically no more.

Regular preaching services will be held in the Christian church here next cense but it speaks the truth.

A second herring was considered by the constant of t cense but it speaks the truth as God Wednesday by J. G. Mendenhall in the Sunday morning at 11 and in the evening at 7:30 o'clock. Sunday school at 9:45. A cordial welcome awaits all who will attend these services.

Has given it to see the truth and proold Rawls Mill Pond, it was learned performed by the catch, was learned proof.

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Active Part; Local Prizes Offered

The Martin County schools are all SINCLAIR TO PRESIDE set and primed to tackle seriously Governor Gardner's "Live-at-Home" program next week, according to reports coming from practically every school in the section, telling of the suggested program activities. Posters have been arranged for classroom use in several of the schools, and prizes have been solicited in a number of communities offering a strong inducement to the children to enter wholeheartedly into the movement.

Carrying the work beyond the school room, Miss Lora Sleeper, county home marked results in her county-wide tense Attorney A. R. Dunning. lining up with the movement, 44 out of 64 pepole entering the contest being in that section. Interest in the

only a few hours' freedom. Deputy keeping with the "Live-at-Home" program. The fifteen prizes, donated by the several business firms here, will be announced later.

STOCKHOLDERS **OF WAREHOUSE** HOLD MEETING

Work of Officers and Directors Highly Approved By Stockholders

by the president, Mr. C. A. Harrison, composed of W. O. Griffin, J. E. King ing hogs and to get about one gallon el that their troubles be limited to and Henry Roberson, appointed the directors. The following directors were ap-

a bitter cursing attack at the hands pointed by the stockholders: C. A. Young Terry's family following the Harrison, C. O. Moore, J. D. Wool-

A motion was made by Mr. F. U Home Demonstration Clubs Barnes and seconded by Mr. W. O.

an exposition of the eighty-fourth meeting, the first to be held in the tors was highly approved by the stock-

Is First of the Season; J. G. Mendenhall Catches The Second One

One of the first, if not the first, 1930 nerrings pulled from waters in this afternoon at 2 o'clock. All officers of county was trapped by Z. N. Roberthe girls' clubs should attend this meet son, great fisherman and hunter, in Gardner's Creek early this week. The catch is about ten days behind the first one made last year by Bob Wells, an-At Church of Advent other great fisherman of the same sec-

While Mr. Roberson takes first place When Ephraim space honestly he first to open the 1930 herring season exalted himself in Israel but when he at the table. With his menu limited to first to open the 1930 herring season offended in Baal he died. Hosea 13th a very few dishes, the editor offered a broad smile when he saw the her-

The herring and shad season is it has brought to every generation and eagerly anticipated by people in Mar-will bring to the generations of the future is that when a man puts God first will meet an almost endless number he is respected and exalted but when of traps and nets in the Roanoke this he puts Baal, the Phoenician God of year is almost certain. When the Commerce, the almighty dollar and fish began to run in appreciable num There will be preaching services in Ashteroth the Assyrian Goddess of bers, the welfare problem along the the Bear Grass Schoolhouse Sunday pleasure before God, that man dies river's banks will be greatly relieved, night at 7 o'clock. We invite all who through the starvation of his spiritual it is thought, for with fish, available life. The history of nations as well as three times a day, and many people Story-telllin, good music and Gospel individuals bear witness to this truth eat them that often during the season preaching feature these services. Mr. R. that when a man leaves God out of the need for something to eat is prac

either to himself or to society.

The Episcopal Church emphasizes to start its pilgrimage up the Roanoke While it is yet early for the herring the truth of the Scriptures and the and its tributaries, it is hoped that the reasonableness of religion without fa- fish will come in large numbers with-

A second herring was caught las

At March Term of the Superior Court

Believed State Will Center its Charge Around Evidence Given By Three Colored Women

Mrs. Mabel Moore Gibson, charged with the murder of her husband, Irving Gibson, in Hamilton township the 21 of last month, was returned to jail here last Tuesday following a hearing ir the recorder's court before Judge Bailey. After examining several witnesses for almost an hour, the court required bond in the sum of \$5,000 which was maintained by the judge in demonstration agent, is meeting with the face of protests entered by De-

The evidence heard at the preliminary trial last Tuesday was very similar to that given the coroner's jury soon after the killing. While the coroner's evidence carries much weight contest is found in both the town of it is believed that the State will center Oak City and surrounding community, its charge around the evidence offered by three colored women who reached the Gibson home a few minutes after the fatal shot was fired. According to their evidence, they heard Gibson charge his wife with the act a short while before he died. Judge N. A. Sinclair, of Favetteville.

will hear the case at the next term of Martin County Superior Court which convenes here March 17

LEGION POST IS **ORGANIZED HERE**

Knight Building; Name Officers at Meeting

Legion, a local post was reorganized to come and hear him. following men were elected to act as membership committee: Mr. M. D. Watts, J. A. Ward, J. R. Leggett, M.

meetings of the post on the second and may work with and for the people. men are welcome to attend the meet- olina. Easter, the pastor is delivering a seing was held here yesterday, four of
res of sermons entitled. "With 1ethe seven clubs having their repreWhile the company paid no dividend ings of the post and to drop in at any

The commander announced at the meeting that he was going to empha-

country and the ex-service man is com- tin County. ing to see its value not only for the opportunity it gives him to meet his program of Services at terest which the organization has in welfare of the man and his family and the Legion is ever active in its work to improve the lot of the unfortunate and crippled men who have to spend their days in hospitals or in other institutions as a result of the war and the Legion is the ex-service man's representative to see that he gets his benefits whenever and whrever they per's editor, a lover of fish, was the may be due him. All ex-service men of the county are urged to come to the meetings and avail themselves of the benefits which the post is ready and willing ot give.-Reported.

There will be a meeting of the local in the Legion headquarters across from By Robersonville 21 to 16 Electric and Power Company to prothe City Hall and next to Dr. J. H. Saunders' office it was stated. According to present arrangements, a hot be present.

'Gold Diggers of Broadway' Coming to Local Theatre

"Gold Diggers," one of the most unusual and popular pictures of the year goes on the screen at the Watts theatre here at midnight Sunday, running Monday, Tuesday and Wednes-

The picture, to be shown for the first time in this section, has a wide reputation and large crowds are expected to see it.

"Gold Diggers of Broadway" is one ot Warner Brothers' best and is supported by an able cast.

"LIVE-AT-HOME" MABEL M, GIBSON TOPIC OF STUDY HELDIN DEFAULT IN ALL SCHOOLS OF \$5,000.00 BOND Children Planning To Take Case Will Be Called Here Reduce Electric Rate

REV. A. COREY



WILL ADDRESS EVERETTS P. T. A.

Lecture Next Tuesday First of a Series To Be Delivered by A. Corey

ty's sons who has had many years' exerience in the State Senate as engrossing clerk, and for three years State electric lights and an electric range lecturer of the Modern Woodmen of only, the reduction in the rate as an-Establish Headquarters In America and who has traveled the State in practically all of the several For the home using electric lighting, a counties and having made a careful range and a refrigerator, a reduction study of the State resources and con- of from 20 to 30 per cent will be alditions, will deliver his lecture to the lowed, while in the home fully equip-With approximately one thousand parent-teacher association in Everetts ped electrically, where lighting, reexiservice men in Martin county school auditorium Tuesday evening at frigeration, cooking and water heateligible to memership in the American 7:30, and the public is cordially invited in g are done by electricity, the re-

The annual meeting of the Martin last Wednesday evening, a number of County Warehouse Company was held representatives attending. Officers, inat the warehosue offices here yesterday cluding the Rev. Arthur H. Marshall; each county, and through his organizaafternoon, many of the stockholders at post commander; M. D. Watts, adjution many of the interests of the soundary appliances, are ollowed a special rate ending.

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The number of the interests of the data of the interest of the data of the d Piephoff, counsellor and W. O. Griffin, service, viz., the work of the parent- used. The lowest rate under this syssergeant-at-arms, were elected. The teacher association, the welfare department, the county health work, the farm Under the scale of demonstration work, and the game and mounced, which will be optional to the forest fire work, all of these agencies customer, the lowest rate will be about D. Roberson and Jesse Melson.

It was decided to hold the business and organization, through which they Announcement of the reductions. of mile up the road where it was to be Grimes sprinted two hundred yards or son, W. C. Manning, jr., James D. fourth Monday nights of each month, unloaded.

The has been in conference with the Mr. Chase which sets forth that the more, running down his man in a field Bowen, J. G. Staton and Claude Griff but the headquarters will be open State Department of Conservation and aggregate saving to the consumer in

every night for the men where they Development and has, through his Virginia and North Carolina would can go and read the papers and maga: study and work been able to present amount to about \$200,000. The purpose zines and fight their battles over the needs and opportunities instruct- of the reduction in rates is to encour-Griffin, to make a special donation to again and live again those strenuous ively, his lecture on "North Carolina;" age, the use of modern electrical ap-Hold Meetings Yesterday Griffin, to make a special donation to again and live again those situation is a real word picture of the State, and pliances, to encourage the home-own With Miss Willie Hunter at the the appreciation of the stockholders but which every ex-service man treas when one has heard the lecture it has er to avail himself more extensively of Each Sunday evening, and until head, the first Leaders' School in Cloth for the splendid work he did while ures and holds dear. All ex-service given him a tour of seeing North Car-electric service. This lecture at Everetts school is rate scale, is, in part, as follows:

sus on the Way to the Cross." Sun- sentatives present. The meeting, held during its first year of operation, it time in the headquarters to spend a the first in the county, but he expects with violating the liquor laws, carrying a concealed weapon and driving an
automobile while under the influence of
liquor, was continued, the defendant
liquor laws, carryliquor law to visit each school when dates can be is designed to provide electricity at low tures.

size the social life of the post and and he will soon make a visit to Nash, per kilowatt hour will be about 3 1-2 have a lunch served to the men after Franklin, and others counties and precents, a reduction of from 20 to 30 per the meetings, the idea being warmly sent this lecture. There will be a cent under the present rate for the TRAPS HERRING greeted by those present.

The American Legion is becoming present he is offering the lecture free tric home using lights, refrigeration, one of the greatest organizations in this to-the schools and communities of Mar- cooking and water heating, the new

The Methodist Church cost of such service Dwight A. Petty, Pastor

Sunday schol at 9:45. Morning worship at 11, Sermon by

on "Temporal Or Eternal Possessions." is diversified to an extent producing ac-Senior League Monday evening at 7. tual demand which are a smaller per-Hi-League Wednesday evening at 7 centage of the possible installed load

ing at 7. Theme: "Protestant Missions mand than is produced by installations n Korea and in Europe."

post next Monday evening at 8 o'clock Local Girls' Team Defeated "It is the desire of the Virginia

sextet there last Wednseday evening, serves at a rate which will make its lunch will be served following the the local high schol girls wree defeat- suse universally available and econommeeting. All county men are urged to ed in a well-played game, 21 to 16. A ical. second game has been scheduled between the two teams here next Tues- electric service rate we can be instruday evening.

> Original" Left Off City of Washington's Auto Tags

The Board of Aldermen of Washing-the home on a broader scale than ever on, N. C., have decided to cut the word "original" from their automobile icense plates.

The town has advertised itself as "the original" for several years. No in our sections to the extent that, for cause for the change was given. the same cost, the housewife will be in

see Jimmie Brown play in the State-Duke game at Raleigh tomorrow.

NEW RATES WILL NOT APPLY TO HOUSE LIGHTING

EFFECTIVE MARCH 1

V. E. P. Announces Lower Schedule for Household. **Appliances**

New Rates Announced This Week Affect a Reduction Ranging From 10 to 40 per Cent

Mr. J. T. Chase, Manager of the arolina Division, Virginia Electric nd Power Company, announces a new fering a substantial reduction to custo mers using electric refrigerators ranges and water heaters, effective throughout the Division. At the same time he announces a further reduction in electric rates in certain suburban sections o. North Carolina for residential and commercial lighting and a reduction in rates for the larger consumers of elec-

The new rates, effective March 1, are optional with the users of the latest electrical equipment in the home. and effect a reduction ranging from 10 to 40 per-cent. The rates will not apply to customers who use only elec-Rev. A. Corey, one of Martin Countric lights and the other ordinary electrical appliances.

Applied to the average home using nounced will be from 10 to 20 per cent. duction will be nearly 40 per cent be-

Under the present system users of electric refrigerators, or other special

· Announcement of the reduction in rates was contained in a statement by

The statement, announcing the

Other counties are arranging lectures and a refrigerator, the average rate rate provides an average of about 2 1-2 cents per kilowatt hour, a reduction of nearly 40 per cent below the present

the recognition of facts developed which show that with a larger number of house-hold "appliances in general the pastor on "The Heart of the Chris- use the actual demand on our powerstation and line capacities from cook-Evening service at 7:30. Fifth series ing, refrigeration, water heafing, etc. Sunday, schol room.

School of Missions, Wednesday even tage of the possible installed load desuch as lighting only or small power only.

Playing the strong Robersonville the homes in the sections which it

"It is hoped that with the new home mental in expanding the use of electricity in the home. The annual saving to our customers brought about by the new rates is the result of our desire to put this great servant to work in a more important factor in house-hold operation, and the new rate is such as to place it at the disposal of the homes a position to call upon the unseen helpers for much more work, thus making it possible for the electrical home to

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