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JAIL POPULATION WILL INSTRUCT HERE DECREASES AGENTS HOW TO

Sheriff Roebug't Is Hopeful of a "Clean House" Before Long

Sheriff C. B. Roebuck was jubilan when reporting the jail population yesterday afternoon. "We have twelve in the coop now," the sheriff stated. Fed eral court will take seven of them next week, two of the remaining five will be leaving for reformatories shortly and the other three will be out within a few days," the officer said.

'If we can only keep out new boarders, we'll have a 'clean house' ere long,' Sheriff Roebuck said in commenting upon the jail population. If the jail is cleared, and it is likely that it will e, it will be about the first time that it has been empty since its erection, and the first time since Sheriff Roebuck took over the duties of the office. The population has taxed the jail

and patience of the officers at times as many as 36 prisoners being confined there at one time in the past.

SHIPS CARLOAD OF POTATOES

W. W. Griffin Sells Sweet Potatoes Through Mt. Olive Produce Concern

Mr. W. W. Griffin, one of Williams ownships leading farmers, shipped 600 bushels of sweet potatoes, a carload, Wednesday to northern markets.

Mr. Griffin has a potato curing barn; and by exercising unusual care in handling them, he receives a good price for his offerings.

A Mount Olive Produce Exchange graded and sold his potatoes, charging eight per cent. for the service. Mr. Griffin says that he finds it pays him to handle his potatoes through the exchange as its members know the mar-keting game and can get higher prices than he is able to command.

According to Mr. Griffin's belief, potato crop is more dependable than a cotton or tobacco crop.

PLAY DECLARED A SUCCESS HERE

Local Seniors, Said to be Best Presented Here

The local senior class play, "The Path Across the Hill," presented in the high school auditorium here last Tuesday night was declared to be one or the best high school productions ever staged here. A medium-sized audience attended the play, which was well received and which deserved a much larger crowd.

Every member of the cast rendered his or her characterization almost perfectly. Much of the credit for the successful production was due to Miss Pearle Haywood, teacher who coached the members of the cast and acted as

In staging the play, the seniors created a fund which will be used in the purchase of a fare-well gift for the

TWO BOYS RAID **SMOKEHOUSE**

Boys Caught and Carried unusually good. Before Judge Bailey Here Tuesday

Lee and David Leggett, young white boys near the Beaufort-Martin line, last Monday night raided the smokehouse of Mr. A. R. Corey and stole around 40 hams and shoulders, all the meat the man had. The boys learned that the Coreys were attending the exercises at the Farm Life School that night, and considered it an opportune time to make a raid, get some meat and sell it

The next morning Mr. Corey and a neighbor tracked the horse and buggy used by the young thieves to the Leg- become so selfish that you can't spare gett home where the boys admitted the stealing and told where they had hidof the meat was recovered.

were carried before Judge Bailey last orable and eternal? If so, Christ has Tuesday, judgment being suspended in a message for you-Won't you come the case upon their paying the costs in and hear it? We welcome everybody

Epworth Pageant at the Methodist Church Sunday

The Epworth League Anniversary Day Pageant will feature the services at the Methodist church here next Sunday, a large number of the league members apperaing in the pageant at 7:30 in the evening. Twenty-two young

The Sunday school will convene at the regular hour, 9:45—Professor W.

The pastor reports an offering last

HANDLE LOANS

County Agent T. Brandon Asks for \$2,500 For Martin Farmers

MEETING IN WINDSOR ew Farmers in This County Will Be

Eligible To Share in Fund, It Is Believed by Agent

County agents in this section will meet in Windsor tomorrow where they will be given instructions as to the proper handling of the loans created by Congress a few days ago. A \$7,000,000 loan fund has been provdied by the Government to aid farmers in stricken areas throughout the country. An application has been filed asking \$2500 for farmers in this county, according to County Agent Brandon, who is in charge of the loans. A representative from Columbia will meet with the agents and explain the conditions upon which loans will be made, it is under-

As far as it is known here, there are very few farmers in this county eligible for the loans, County Agent Brandon stating that it is his understanding that a farmer must be unable to purchase seed or fertilizer. "However, I can not say for certain that this is true, but I hope to get all the facts at the meeting tomorrow," Mr. Brandon stated.

It is generally believed that no great good will result in this county as a result of the fund.

RECEIPTS SHOW **INCREASE HERE**

Incomplete Report Points to Gain at Local Office During First Quarter

That postal receipts at the local post office during the quarter just closed exceeds those for the same period last year was practically ascertained yesterday, although the complete reports are not available just at this time. The receipts mounted steadily during the quarter, it was stated, but the greatest increase was recorded last month. The unusually large increase in the "Path Across Hill," by the March receipts was due in part to the large envelope sales, which wil have a marked effect on the receipts this

Employees are working on the re port and complete details will be available within the next few days, it was stated by Postmaster Jesse T. Price.

SCHOOL AT FARM LIFE ENDS TERM

Final Exercises Were Held There Last Wednesday; Many Attend

The Farm Life School brought the 1929-30 term to a very successful close large and attentive audience. was served in picnic style, the visitors umbering many.

test was held, reports declaring it to be 60 years ago. He opened a butcher headquarters.

Presbyterian Services At Three Places Next Sunday

Sunday, April 6th, 1930: "The Church With An Open Door. A true Chinese saying: "If you have two loaves of bread, sell one and buy

lily. Sunday school, 9:45 a. m.-Depart mental classes. Mr. John L. Rodger-

son. Superintendent. Worship service and sern Doing What You Can."

Begin the week right by going to church Sunday morning. Have you the Lord one hour each week? Have you become so careless that you fail den the meat in the woods. Every piece to put first things first? Have you beceased to be interested in things honand hear it? We welcome everybody.

Bear Grass The usual Presbyterian services will be held in the schoolhouse auditorium Sunday night at 7:30 p. m. We invite you to come and bring your friends

with you. Farm Life Religious services will be conducted by Rev. Z. T. Piephoff in the Farm Life Schoolhouse Auditorium Sunday afternoon at 3 p. m. An invitation i people take part in the pageant, the extended to every citizen of Griffins theme of which is "Children of Light." Township to come and worship with

Watson, superintendent. Sermon, Announce Service at County day following the agreement the parties the day before.

Home for Sunday Afternoon the parties the day before.

Messrs Watts and Morton

Special religious services will be Sunday for the orphans amounting to held at the county home Sunday aftering operated warehouses here during seases, adding that those who did not non at 3 o'clock. Rev. Arthur H. the past several years, Mr. Forbes augive to this cause last Sunday may conduct the service. The public is invited to attend.

RUN NEXT WEEK

Likely To Be Last One In Comparatively Few Cases This County During This Season

The fourth, and probably the last, last month, stopping here Wednesday after a day's stay in Jamesville. Thursday, it goes to Robersonville, completing its loadings in this county at Oak City Friday.

According to market reports covering next week's loadings, prices are slightly increased, colored hens bringing 23 cents per pound. Broilers are commanding 30 cents, with no noticeable change in prices offered for the several other types.

With the slightly increased prices in effect, it is believed that the loadings will be as large if not larger than the last month shipments.

J. T. JEROME IS **SUED FOR \$20,000**

Was Principal of the Local Schools For Several Years

Goldsboro, March 2 .- Suit for \$20,-000 has been entered for Nettie Mae Casey by her father, W. C. Casey, against J. T. Jerome, county school superintendent, W. F. Moore, Brogden school committeemen, and Ernest and Roland Overman, for damages alleged to have been received by the plaintiff on March 30, 1928, when she was run over by a Brogden school bus.

It is claimed by the planitiff that the school bus stalled in the mud, that the driver, Ernest Overman, a minor, commanded that all the occupants of the bus get off and push. When she had helped to start the truck, she claims, the driver said that all who wanted to continue on the trip would have to board the moving truck as he did not intend to stop again. The plaintiff was jerked beneath the truck's wheels, she alleges, when due to carelessness of the driver, the vehicle lunged forward. Her pelvis bones were crushed and her body hurt and bruised, she claims. Roland Overman is father of Ernest Overman. J. T. Jerome and W. F. Moore were in fault in permitting the youthful driver to operate the truck, it is alleged in the complaint,

109 YEAR OLD MAN DIES FROM BURNS

ed Him; Fires Self In Lighting Cigar

Hoboken, N. J., April 3.—Smoking never harmed him, Kupper Bier told reporters on his fast birthday, when he attained his 109th year.

He died today from burns, received last Wednesday with fitting exercises. a week ago while trying to light a cigar Judge Francis D. Winston, of Wind- in bed. He ignited the bed clothing, and sor, was the principal speaker, deliver- the flames spread to his luxurious ing the commencement address to a growth of whiskers, burning him badly Dinner about the face.

Bier, according to his family, was born near Lemberg, Austria, in 1821, In the afternoon a declamation con- and came to the United States about shop, which he operated until he was 103 years old, when he retired to spend the rest of my life in leisure." He was twice married, his first wife dying more than half a century ago.

Lilly's Hall Attendance Roll for Fifth Month

Twenty-seven pupils were neither ab sent nor tardy in the Lilley's Hall School during the fifth month, just closed, according to a report filed yesterday by Miss Carrie B. Warren, the teacher in the school. The list of

names follows: First grade: Leona Griffin, Lettie Hines, Grace Lilley, Charles Gurkin, Inline Revels

Second grade: Lola Griffin, Edith Hines, Mamie C. Harrison, Ethel Lil-

ley, Vera M. Lilley.
Third grade: Ruth Lilley, Evelyn
Griffin, Josie P. Lilley, Ola Lee-Lil-

ley, Zora B. Lilley, William Lilley. Fourth grade: Delia Hines, Vida Harrison, Carrie Lee Lilley, Matilda G. Peel, Thermon Griffin, Daniel T Lilley.

Fifth grade: Cora Hines, Albert W Lilley, Joseph Lilley, Evan Lilley.

Local Man to Operate A Warehouse in Windsor

W. B. Watts, of this place, and H. Hubert Morton and E. Earl Forbes, of Greenville will operate the two tobacco warehouses in Windsor this com ing season, it was learned here yesterday following the agreement made b

Messrs, Watts and Morton are wide known in this section, the two hav

POULTRY CAR TO RECORDER HELD LOCAL SCHOOL **COURT TUESDAY**

for Trial; Assaults Top the Trial Docket

Holding its first session in more poultry car to be operated in the counthan two weeks, the recorder's court ty this season, has been scheduled for here last Tuesday heard a comparafour stops next week, beginning at tively small number of cases, all be-Jamesville next Tuesday morning. The ing of no great importance. Two road car will follow the same route as it did sentences were meted out, but no fines were imposed. The court automatically stopped two weeks ago when the regular spring term of the superior court was started. The court will hold will compete further in the debating mother session next Tuesday, but during the following two weeks it will suspend its operations, giving over to a special session for the trial of civil cases only.

Arthur Council was found not guilty u the case charging him with operating a car while intoxicated.

Charged with assaulting with a deady weapon, Edgar Ayers asked for a trial by jury, the court scheduling the case for hearing on April 29. Alton Smith was called by the court

but he failed to answer. Found guilty in the case chargin him with an assault with a deadly veapon, Claud Spruill was sentence to the roads for a term of sever

nonths. Buck Terry and wife, charged with an assault, appealed their case when the judge imposed a \$50 fine and add-ed the costs. Bond was required in

the sum of \$150. Charged with an assault with deadly weapon, Grant Gilliam and Arthur Pugh were found not guilty. Judgment in the case was suspended as t Mark Watson upon the payment of his part of the cost. Jesse Roberson, a fourth defendant in the case, was sen enced to the roads for eight months Judgment was suspended in the case

sault, the defendant having pleaded guilty to the charge. The case charging Lillian Ward with an assault with a deadly weapon was

charging Joe Smallwood with an as

Judgment was suspended in the case harging Lee and David Leggett with larceny and receiving.

THREE OUT FOR SOLICTORSHIP

Henry D. Hardison, Former Martin County Man Enters the Race

Henry D. Hardison, Tarboro lawyer announced his candidacy for the licitorship of the Second Judicial district against Donnel Gilliam who now holds the position and who is again ask Said Smoking Never Harm- ing the voters for the position again. Mr. Hardison is a Martin county man. He was born and reared in the Hardison Mill section. He taught school for a few years and then tool business course, later locating in Tarboro where he kept books for about four years. He began reading law, and procured his license. He has been the mayor of Tarboro three terms and has

> Edgecombe county. roy Barnes of nounced his candidacy and the race for the job now promises to be an interest ing one. All candidates are hopeful ac cording to reports coming from their

held the position of judge of the record

er's court and prosecuting attorney for

Episcopalians Announce Their Sunday Services

Rev. A. H. Marshall, Rector Sunday school at 10 a. m.: Evening prayer and sermon clock. The public is invited. Holy Trinity Mission Sunday school at 2:30.

Revival Begins at Holiness Church Here Next Monday

Sermon at 3:30.

A two-weeks revival will begin at the Pentecostal Holiness Church here beginning next Monday evening, it was announced yesterday.

Rev. Mrs. L. B. Edge, of Richt will conduct the services and she comes to the church here highly recommend ed as a singer and preacher.

Members of other churches and the public are cordially invited to attend these services.

Asks \$10,000 Because Of A Whistle Noise

Tarboro, April 3.-Col. John L. Bridgers has instituted suit for damages of \$10,000 against the Hart Cotton Mill here because of the noise that the mill whistle makes in the early

He also asks for an injunction to prevent the mill from emitting blasts of its whistle in the small hours of the day. Services Sunday at Cedar

Branch Baptist Church Regular preaching services at Cedar

DEBATES TODAY

Locals Win Over Weldon But Lost To Scotland Neck Team

The high school triangular debate between Williamston, Scotland Neck and Weldon was held today in the respective schools, no school team de bating on its home grounds. By a win over the local negative

team at Weldon and over Weldon's negative here, the Scotland Neck teams go to Chapel Hill where they contest.

Williamston's affirmative team registered a win over Weldon at Scotland Neck, placing the local school and the one at Weldon out of the race.

The query: Resolved, "That North Constitutional Amendment to the Constitution, Authorizing the Classification of Property for Taxation," is being debated all over the State today, the

bate on the question. Weldon's affirmative was represented here by Misses Cecil Britt and Ellen Cooke, while Misses Martha S. Everett and Frances Parks represented

Scotland Neck's negative team.

Miss Marjorie Taylor and LeRoy Griffin, defending the affirmative side of the question, debated Weldon at Scotland Neck. The other Williamston team, Miss Ollie Marie Roberson and Clyde Griffin, met the Scotland Neck affirmative at Weldon.

MARCH MONTH OF FEW MARRIAGES

Register of Deeds Issues Only Eleven Licenses During the Period

Eleven marriage liecenses were issued in the office of the Register of Deeds here last mouth, a decrease of almost 100 per cept as compared with the number issued in March a year ago. The number is eight less than the number issued in February, nineteen couples applying for licenses during that period. While the number establishes no new low record, it is anderstood that marriages were fewer n this county-during March than they have been in the same month for a number of years.

Only two of the eleven licenses issued went to white couples. The list

Dennis R. Biggs, Marie Wynn. John D. Mobley, Viola Bowen. Colored

Benjamin Ward, Sudie Smith. Jesse Thomas, Annis Simmons. Llewellyn Woolard, Ellen Corey. Robert Purvis, Mary Ann Barrenn Ben Wilson, Gertrude Rogers, George Purvis, Carrie Ward. Roosevelt Taylor, Patsy Powell. Haywood Spruill, Viola Morgan Wilson Staton, Della Cromwell.

FEDERAL COURT IN WASHINGTON

29 Defendants Go from This County To Face Judge Ike Meekins

Martin County will figure promi nently in the Federal court convening job at all. If you have a job, you will in Washington next week, according to a review of the trial docket prepared for the court. Twenty-nine defendants are scheduled to appear before Judge Meckins, the number being seven less than the number going before the

court last April. Little discretion was used by the raiding officers as far as race was concerned, around 14 of the 29 defendants being white.

While it is not definitely known, is believed that the docket is much smaller this year than it was last; however there are many cases to be tried

Program of Services At Oak City Baptist Church

The ordination of deacons will feature the services in the Oak City Baptist Church next Sunday, according to an announcement made by the pastor George D. Leggett, this week. The ordination service will be held at 7:30 p m Other services for the day include Sunday school at 10:00 a. m.; preaching at 11 a. m. by the pastor; preaching

at 8 p. m. by Rev. H. G. Bryant, of Windsor. The public is cordially invited to at tend these services.

Represent Local Sunday School at Conference

Rev. D. A. Petty and Messrs. Bill Harrison and R. F. Pope are attending the conference-wide Sunday School meeting in Greenville today. It is proving one of the best conferences for several years, Rev. Petty stated after returning from the yesterday session. Outstanding leaders of the Southern Branch Sunday morning and night, at Church are on the program, and a re-11 and 7:30 o'clock by W. B. Har-markable work is going forward in the eeting, it was pointed out.

ENUMERATORS NOW WORKING ON 1930 CENSUS

Survey Is Nation-Wide and Is To Be Completed In Thirty Days

ASK MANY QUESTIONS

Anticipated Results Are Source For Much Comment as to Town and County Population Armed with an unusually large num-

Carolina Should Adopt the Proposed allowed for the work, are gone, the enumerators will have counted every man, woman, and child in the county. While the enumerators go forward with the survey, the anticipated results group winners determined today going are the source of much comment. Wil-to Chapel Hill later for further de- liamston has a population of 2,425, the got their wives. In fact one of them number being the average of ten

guesses made by as many citizens yesterday. The popular guess as to the county's population is 25,000, or 5,000 more than were shown in the last United States census. And how many would you say there are in your town or county, may we ask? Jot down your guess nad check it with the official finding; it'll be interesting, no doubt, and will cost nothing.

After looking over the list of questions appearing here, you'll readily a gree that this census is going to be one painful affair to the enumerator and his bjects. The questions: Your name?

whether the head of the family, wife, on, daughter, or uncle, etc.)? Whether your home is owned rented? The estimated value of your home,

Your relationship to the family

owned, or the monthly rental, if rented? Is there a radio in your home? Do you live on a farm?

What is your sex?

What is your color or race? What was your age at last birth Are you married, single, widowed, or

divorced? What was your age at first marriag (for married persons only)? Have you attended school or colleg any time since September 1, 1929?

Are you able to read and write? Where were you born? Where was your father born? Where was your mother born? What is your native language (fo

foreign-born persons only)? In what year did you immigrate to the United States (for foreign born)? Are you naturalized (for foreign born)?

Are you able to speak English? If you are a gainful worker, what i your occupation?

or work on your own account? Were you actually at work yester-Are you a veteran of the United tery.

so, in what war or expedition did you to whether you were at work yester- its, where he engaged in merchandisday, you will be asked whether you

be asked: How many weeks since you worked on your present job? Why were you not at work vester-

Did you lose a day's pay by not be ing at work? How many days

week? How many days in a full-time week If you have no job at all, you will

Are you able to work? Are you looking for a job? For how many weeks have you bee Reason for being out of

for losing your last job? Only One Service at Local Baptist Church Sunday

Sunday school, 9:45 a. m. Owing to the illness of Mr. Dicker Fred Taylor, of the Young Men's Bibl Class and a graduate of Wake Forest College, will speak at the regular morn ing service. Your presence will be an inspiration to him and a blessing to

There will be no night service.

may address him in care of the Naval Hospital, Portsmouth, Va.

Any one wishing to write Mr. Dickey

Legionnaires To Meet Here Next Monday Evening, 7:30

The local post of the America Legion will hold its regular meeting in the City Hall here next Monday evenin at 7:30 o'clock. A program is being prepared, and an address will be de-All members are urged to attend.

PRINCIPALSMEET AT JAMESVILLE

Entertain Ladies at Shad Dinner In School Building There Wednesday

Holding their last conference of the 1929-30 term, the Martin County principals entertained their wives and b friends in the high school building at Jamesville, Principal A. L. Pollock be ng the chief host. The affair is well

covered in the following report: Wednesday evening at eight o'clock, in the Jamesville school building a deber of questions inquiring after everythings of less importance, thousands of lock were hosts to a dozen principals enunierators started the enormous task of counting every one in the country as principals of Martin County Schools county have not fully settled down to that the shad were caught in the Roaentertaining their wives was the fact noke River. Music was furnished by local school children.

> Martin county fish have a habit of coming each spring just as regularly as the red-bud blossoms. But the princi could not for he has not been successful yet. Still there was another who explained his wife never had taken him seriously and he was thinking she still considered him a joke. Then, there was the old trickster who put it on his wife who was said to have used a watch that constantly needed repair for an excuse to see him and persuade him to propose. Oh, yes! There was one other elling how his manly frame attracted the fair damsel. Perhaps the secret was oo recent or the words too hallowed. But from the way the waitresses paused to listen for the meesy, veesy loves, oozy, voosy stuff we all know how it is

done any way. So that's that. The wives would not be out done f anybody hears of a bald-headed school teacher being called two-faced don't blame the fair sex for they will still be getting even. These fair helpmeets spoke of the most pleasant things attending a school teacher's wife. There was one who cited the idea of the school master being compelled to dwell in the rudest home in the town. One could imagine her lonesomeness on nights of entertainment when the husband must see after the school. Another thought the public rejoiced at seeing the school man move every year. Perhaps the most satisfactory response came from one who gets pleas ure from assisting in the parent-teacher work. Her school had an association which had grown from membership of three persons to more than 200.

Mc. G. PEEL DIES AT WASHINGTON

Was Born and Reared Near Here: Has Many Rela-

tives in This County Mack G. Peel, native of this county, died at his home in Washington In what industry are you employed? last Tuesday afternoon following an Are you an employer, an employee, extended illness. Funeral services were held from the home by Rev. Richard Bagby last Wednesday afternoon, interment following in Oakdale Ceme-

States military or naval forces, and if Mr. Peel, 63 years of age, was born and reared on a farm near here. Leaving this county a number of years ago. If you answered "no" to question as he and his family moved to Chocowining for several years. He returned to have a job and are merely temporarily this county and farmed a short while out of work, or whether you have no later settling in Washington.

Mixon Peele, two sons, Roscoe and William Peele; one daughter, Elizabeth Peel, and four brothers, Sylvester Peele, Plenny Peele, Alexander day (or on the last regular working Peele, and Ephriam Peele, all of Martin County.

He is survived by his wife, Alice

American Girl Kids England's Sea Lord London, March 29 .- One of the girl stenographers accompanying the American delegation to the naval conference recently proved herself to be so much "from Missouri" that she refused to

believe in A. V. Alexander, first lord of the British admirality, any more than in Santa Claus. Mr. Alexander, at a very formal party, it was learned tonight, approached one of the American girls and began a conversation, during which he mentioned casually "I am the first lord of

the admiralty."
"Oh, yes?" she smilingly replied, "and I'm Mrs. Stimson. Aren't we im-

portant people?"
All Mr. Alexander's efforts to convince the girl that he was himself met with the response; "You'll have to show me. I'm from Missouri." They parted the best of friends, and

the stenographer was later chagrined to learn from her envious friends that she had been kidding a British cabinet Board Meetings Monday
According to unofficial reports, the everal county boards and the town

next Monday, varied problems being scheduled to come before the bodies. Make Business Trip to Suffolk Mayor Robert L. Coburn and Mr. livered, it was announced this morning. G. H. Harrison made a business trip to Suffolk yesterday.

council will have busy sessions here