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#### NAME DATES -FOR TYPHOID **VACCINATIONS**

County Health Officer Is REGISTRATION Urging People To Be Vaccinated

FIRST CLINIC JUNE 2

Must Be No Let-up in Vaccinati County Health Officer W. E. Warren Advises

"Typhoid fever is gradually being re duced, but there must be no let-up in vaccination," Dr. William E. Warren schedule for holding the anti-typhoid and anti-diphtheria clinics in this The first of the clinics will be held June 2 at the Sandy Ridge schoolhouse in Williams Township,

There have been very few cases of the fever in this county during the this precinct, and although the number past two years, but the number of could not be verified it is believed that until it is completely stamped out. When the vaccinations were first started in this county, the fever was common in most every quarter, but now it is very limited, the cases generally add their names on the books by next resulting where precautionary measures were ignored.

the State Board of Health is offering coming primary, registration activi-this protection free to the individuals, ties are said to be originating in the both white and colored, and every effort is being put forth to make the campaign a success.

In announcing the dates and places for the vaccinations, County Health Officer W. E. Warren stated: "There is no excuse for even a case of typhoid fever when perfect immunization for two years at a time may be obtained every intelligent citizen to become inoculated towards all preventable dis eases, especially typhoid fever, for their own protection, as well as the protec tion of their neighbors. It is also their duty to do all in their power to per suade others to take preventive meas it so easily preventable."

#### Jesse James To Conduct Revival at Courthouse

Jesse James, a Pentecostal Holiness preacher, of Falcon, N. C., will begin protracted meeting at the courthouse here Friday night, May 23. He and his church extend a cordial invitation t all to attend this meeting. Postpone school board meeting

The meeting of the local school board scheduled to have been held last Friday evening was indefinitely post poned when it was learned that an action at that time would be subject to alteration later on. It was unoffic ially reported that the body would mee probably some time this week, but this information could not be verified

#### Singing Class in Concert Here Next Friday 8 P. M.

Coming here for the first time in several years, the Oxford Orphanage Singing Class is expected to be greet ed by a large audience. The children at 8 o'clock Friday evening.

Reports coming from other towns

and cities where engagements have been met by the class state that the concerts are very entertaining, reflecting careful training and long hours No admission fee will be charged

but a general offering will be made. The Orphanage is greatly aided by the funds received from these concerts and a human appeal extends itself to all to boost the attendance.

#### Start Junior Tennis Tournament Here

Practicing during every spare mo ment for the past several weeks, a large number of the boys here are entering a local tournament this week the first game to be played this afteron. The line up follows.

Tuesday, 2:30-Jack Mannning and Raymond Matthews vs. Jim Rhodes d Oscar Anderson: at 4:00 Cush Hassell and Howard Cone meet Billie Watts and Hardy Rose. Tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock, Tom Rose and Ben Hopkins will face Jesse Price and Robert Cowan. The finals will be held Wednesday afternoon, starting at 2:00 clock on the Godard court in New

Single matches are being planned at this time and will be announced with in the next day or two.

#### Bear Grass School Will Present Play at Farm Life

The Bear Grass High School will gaged in drinking.

present a play, "Lighthouse Nan," in the Farm Life School auditorium Friday and reasportation lay evening, May 23 at 8:00 o'clock, The play has been presented success-ully by the Bear Grass players, and splendid entertainment is assured people of the Farm Life commun-

# Expect Climax In Martin County Politics This Week

# FOR PRIMARY SETS RECORD

Total Number of Eligible Voters in This Precinct Approximately 1,200

108 ARE REGISTERED

stated in announcing the dates and Registration Will Likely Reach the 150 Mark by Next Saturday, the Day the Books Are To Close

New records in primary registration were set up here this week when the and the last of the vaccinations will number of new eligible voters jumped be made in the colored school here on from 64 last Thursday to 108 late yes terday. This is believed to be a new high record in a registration held in cases makes it almost imperative that the new names will bring the number the attack of the disease be continued of total eligible voters in the distric up to around 1,200. In a statemen made by Mr. Luther Peel, registrar for the district, it was pointed out that many more citizens were planning to Saturday, the last day of registration

While the large number of candi-Martin County in cooperation with dates is the source of interest in the ranks of the citizens themselves.

The heavy registration during last Saturday and yesterday shattered all educational body were appointed by the estimates, and it is believed now that the registration will reach the 150mark this week. Citizens changing practically ignored the local feature to their residence from one town or precinct to another will necessarily have to register again, and it will be no through attendance at the clinics held bad idea for every one desiring to take the month of June. It is the duty of part in the June primary to visit the place of registration and make sure that his or her name is on the books Remember it will be too late to register after next Saturday.

Residents becoming 21 years on or before the November election can register and take part in the primary next Typhoid fever being frequently June, provided they meet the other required qualifications. In other words, a resident whose age now is only 20 years and six months is entitled to vote the 7th of next month.

Closing on the 24th, the books will be opened the following Saturday for nated in the same manner as are other challenge, day. Very few challenges are ever made in this district, but the books will be available for use in case objections arise.

### MINISTERS IN COUNTY MEET HERE MONDAY

Attack Judge Sinclair's Action While Holding Term Of Court Here

FORM ORGANIZATION

Meet for Consultation and To Ad- eral assembly to elect or appoint memvance Mutual Fellowship Among

Meeting here yesterday morning seven ministers representing a number will sing in the high school auditorium of churches located at points throughout the county, attacked the "Genera Lawlessness" in this section. The meeting was the first held in an attempt to form a county organization of the several churches in the county. Rev Z. T. Piephoff, of the local Presbyterian Church was made president of the newly organized body. Rev. C. B Mashburn, of the Robersonville Christian Church, will serve as the association's vice president and Rev. D. A Petty, of the local Mehtodist Church, will act as secretary.

> The organization is the outgrowth of local association of Williamston ministers formed several months ago.

Meeting for a mutual fellowship and consultation, the ministers discussed at the yesterday morning session, "General Lawlessness." Their attack was centered in the high places, the ministers deploring in an open statement the actions of Judge N. A. Sinclair during his work here. Commenting upon the meeting, one of the ministers stated that the county organization was planning an attack on lawlessness that should be far-reaching in its effect.

The resolutions drawn by the association appear by request, as follows: "We the evangelical ministers

Martin County, in a meeting at Williamston, May 19, 1930, unanimously deplore lawlessness in all forms and in all places in our county.

"Especially do we deplore, and condemn the conduct of Judge N. A. Sinclair during the recent court at Williamston, who was at various times en-

"And, by his drunkenness, possession and rtansportation of alcoholic liquor has lost the respect of citzenship of

"And, thereby, has lowered the dignity of the court, and almost de-stroyed the majesty of the law."

# RACE RUMORED FOR EDUCATION **BOARD PLACES**

No Candidates Have Filed At This Time, Last Reports State

FIVE TERMS EXPIRE As Many of Two Members of Present Board Planning to File Again, According to Reports

The climax in county politics is expected the latter part of this week when several candidates plan to file for Education. The terms of all five mem bers of the body come to an end this year, and the openings are attracting much attention in certain circles, ac cording to rumors heard here vesterday and today.

As far as it could be learned today o candidates have filed for the par ticular office so far.

It was reported unofficially vesterday that two members or probably more of the present board will file for seats to succeed themselves. That there will be outside citizens applying for a seat on the board was practically made cer tain this morning when two men made known their intentions to file for the office.

Thinking that the members of the State Legislature without a primary vote, many people in this county have the selection of the county's educational heads. Very little or nothing has been said about the selection of the board as it was accepted as a matter of course that the legislature favored the people with members of its own choice There was no race for a seat on th board in the last election, but that was due to the fact that the number of candidates filing was only sufficient to fill the vacancies. With the number of candidates limited to the number of vacancies to be filled, the county board of election declared the candidates the nominees without referring their candidacies to the primary.

The law states that members of the county educational body shall be nomi county officers. "The names of the per sons so nominated shall be duly certified by the chairman of the county board of elections, within ten days aft er their nomination is declared by said county board of elections, to the superintendent of public instruction, - who shall transmit the names of all persons so nominated, together with the names of the political party nominating them, to the chairman of the committee on education in the next session of the the general assembly within ten days after it convenes. The general assembly shall elect or appoint one or more, from the candidates so nominated, members of the county board of education for such county. Upon failure of the genbers herein provided, such failures shall constitute a vacancy, which shall be filled by the state board of education. Messrs. K. B. Crawford, B. M. Worsley and Nathan Rogers were appointed members of the board by the egislature of 1927 for the term of our years each. Following the death Rogers, was appointed by the county board to fill the unexpired term. The Legislature of 1929 appointed Messrs H. C. Norman and J. A. Getsinger as members of the body for a term of two years each, making all five seats vacant at the expiration of their terms.

#### Home Agent Planning Trip to Camp Leach

The agent wil be very busy this week making preparation for camp. All the chaperones for camp have not as yet been secured. Miss Sleeper would appreciate very much having men and omen competent to give intruction to juniors. Assist in making the camp a success by helping during camp week. School trucks will not be used this year, and it will be necessary to use privately owned trucks. If any one would be willing to help in this way it will be much appreciated. Letters have been mailed to all Club members this past week end to determine the number attending camp. At present the agent thinks there will be more than ever attending camp. A good program is being worked out.

#### Poppies To Be Placed on Sale Next Saturday

Millions of poppies will be offered for sale throughtout the country next Saturday, "Poppy Day."

The sale of the poppy in the United States has reached large proportions, am not going home and get your dindoing honor to those boys who gave their lives in the World War and providing funds to care for those who were lisabled in the great conflict.

The poppies are made by those abled veterans who are limited in their left side and fired. He then turned it

### TAX COMMITTEE STUDIES COUNTY SCHOOL COSTS

Member States That Study Is Centered Around The Salary Supplements

## **GATHER COSTFIGURES**

oint Meeting of Commissioners, Board Of Education, Local Committees and Tax Body on May 30th Representing the taxpayers of Mar-

tin County, three members of the ounty tax commission, Messrs. J. G. Staton, of this place; G. H. Cox, of Robersonville; and R. W. Salsbury, of 21 Hamilton; spent a greater part of yesterday gathering data on school costs in this county. The books kept in the office of the board of education were a seat on the Martin County Board of laid up to the investigators, Superintendent R. A. Pope assisting the tax ommittee.

> Very little information could be obained on the commission's action yeserday, but it is understood that the into school costs by Friday of next missioners, the County School Board, nembers of the tax commission, and all the local school boards are scheduled to hold a meeting at the ourthouse here.

When questioned late yesterday, one of the members of the commission stated that the study was centering around ited to that feature of school costs, but would include all operating expendi-

Messrs. T. B. Slade and J. Eason Lilley were unable to take part in the study conducted yesterday.

## **AUTHORIZE SALE** OF \$75,000 BONDS

Around \$50,000.00 According to Report

The Board of Town Commission, in bonds at par or above.

According to reports, the board does ot expect to issue above \$50,000 however, as all streets now signed up and sking for paying can be completed for that amount

Julius S. Peel, special bond attorney, vas appointed to assist Mayor R. L. Coburn in advertising and making the sale which will be held at the mayor's office on June 6 to the highest bidder. According to the proposed paving plans, the town will pay 50 per cent of the costs, the property owners paying 25 per cent on each side of the street where paving is laid.

The town's finances have ben carefully investigated and are reported in sound condition. Mayor Coburn stated this morning that the town even with the proposed paving program will be able to reduce taxes within a year

The town tax list will show an increase this year of about \$100,000 as indicated by the incomplete list now in the hands of the tax list-taker, it was

#### Open Miniature Golf Course ers an address to the voters of Roberof Mr. Rogers, his brother, Mr. Javan Here This Evening at 8:30 sonville and vicinity. This is the first

the lot adjoining the court house, will open this evening at 8:30 o'clock. For the opening of the course, the

management has given out several complimentary tickets, and a large crowd is expected to witness the first play. The Williamston Putt-A-Rround, the name chosen for the Tom Thumb course, is attractive in its design and

compares very favorably with miniature courses in larges towns and cities. A flood of light will make possible play at night, the course opening at 10 each morning and closing at 11 in the evenings. The new sporting enterprise is own-

ed and managed by Messrs. Baxter and Samuel Carson, of Bethel and Greenville and Frank Carstarphen, of

#### Shoots Wife and Then Turns Gun On Self

Washington, May 19.-Charles A. Whitley, local painter, shot and serious ly wounded his wife, Mrs. Kate Whitley, and then turned the gun on himself with fatal results. Whitley died within ten minutes after he shot himself thru the left temple and never regained consciousness. The shooting occurred at the home of Charlie Cozzens on East Seventh Street at 12:30 o'clock today. The shooting is said to have occurred

when Whitley asked his wife to go home and prepare his dinner. "No, I paign. ner," she is said to have remarked. Mr. Whitley then said, "I am going to kill claims of Senator Simmons and Rev. you." He grabbed her by the neck and Alexander Corey has been invited to threw her on the floor. She went down present the claims of Mr. Josiah W on her knees. He placed the gun to her on himself and fired.

# Will Urge Discontinuance of Injunction Stopping Tax Sale

#### ASPIRANTS FAIL TO FILE NOTICE OF CANDIDACY

Commissioner Yet To Meet Requirements

OF 29 HAVE FILED Only Three More Days Left To File

For County or Township Offices, Chairman Peel Advises Of the 29 candidates in the political field in this county, only 21 of them have filed with the county board of

elections up until early yesterday morn-Three of those failing to file so ody will complete a thorough study far are candidates for county commissioners, it was stated by Mr. Sylvesweek, when the County Board of Com- ter Peel, chairman of the county board of elections. The chairman sent out a note of

warning last week, and while the eight failing to file so far will propably do so by next Frdiay, it is possible that the small routine will escape their attention. Once the filing period comes to a close, it is impossible to add new salary supplements. However, it was names or correct the list, it was statointed out that the study was not lim- ed by the election board member. Ballots will be prepared in accordance with the filing books at their close next Friday evening, it was stated.

Sample ballots have been received by the election chairmen in this county, and as far as the voter is concerned, they are practicaly the same as those used heretofore. The county and State Democratic ballots will be printed on white paper, and the Republican ballots will be on blue paper. There'll be no county Republican contest, limit-Issue Will Be Limited To ing, therefore, the use of the blue ballots to the Republican senatorial race Although there will be Republican

candidates in the field for county offices here, according to decisions handpecial session here last night, passed ed down, the voters of that party can operation, to go to his home in Texas resolution authorizing the sale of not vote for a Republican candidate to see his father who suffered a brok-\$75,000 street improvement bonds at for the United States Senate and then en back in a fall from a horse a few not over 5 1-2 per cent interest for take part in the county contests here. days ago. When he reached here Sat-Any voters can affiliate with either party when he calls for a ballot, but he can not split his vote, it is understood. There'll be but few blue ballots used in this county, it is believed.

The ballots will be six inches wide and as long as necessary, their length in this county to be approximately 14 young man. or 15 inches, and which length will ready filed. Bearing the name of the county board chairman, the ballots will be folded with one inch allowed for ily in the Texas town. the judge of election to sign and cut off with a pair of scissors.

Candidates filing in this county for ownship offices are very few at th

ing for county offices remains unchang ed, as far as it could be learned today.

#### Opens Simmons Campaign In Robersonville Friday

Walter L. Cahoon, Elizabeth City attorney, will open the Simmons campaign in this county next Friday aft-The miniature golf course, located on but rumor maintains that there will be a number of others before the primary on June 7. It is also understood that the speeches will be divided as to the two candidates.

In announcing the Robersonville engagement, Mr. Cahoon extended a cordial invitation to all voters, both men and women, to attend.

The speaker, for several years at torney for the State Highway Commission, is said to be a splendid speaker He is well known throughout the State.

#### Few Are Registering For Summer School Study

Pupils are registering very slowly or work in the summer school planned here this summer, it was learned from Professor William R. Watson last night. The present number registered will hardly justify the holding of a session, but it was the opinion of the school man that a last-minute request for instruction would probably offset the expense of about three teachers and make possible the summer session.

#### A. Corey Invited to Take Part in Farm Life Speaking

There will be public speaking at the Farm Life School Saturday night, May 24. The speakers will discuss the issues of the present Senatorial cam-

W. C. Manning will present the

All voters are urged to attend. Ladies are especially invited.

# TEXAS MAN IS BADLY HURT IN FALL HERE

Three Aspirants for County Suffers Fractured Spine According To Reports From Hospital

> Falling the full length of the stair way in the Britt hotel here yesterday morning, P. H. Rhodes, of Witchita Falls, Texas, suffered a fracture of the spine and other injuries of a minor na ture. The young man, recently employed by the Geodic Survey, Norfolk, had just checked out at the desk a few minutes before and was taking his first step down the hotel stairway when he fainted and fell headlong down the selling property, for unpaid taxes stairs. He was rendered unconscious While it is the current belief that the by the fall, and for a few minutes, his recovery was considered doubtful by a physician hurriedly summoned to the

Following an examination of Mr. Rhodes, the attending physician advised have to appear before Judge N. A. hospital treatment, and the man was Sinclair in Wilson next Saturday and emoved to a Washington hospital a request that the injunction be with short while later. Hospital physicians drawn and that the sale of property for made a complete examination and unpaid taxes be made as early as posound that the injuries other than a sible. ractured spine were only minor in their nature. It is understood that an peration will be necessary, and the fore in the district, and it is believed

According to reports, Mr. Rhodes tended in solving it to the best advanwas paralyzed in the left leg by the fall tage of all. It is a matter of speculaand his eye sight was temporarily im- tion, of course, but it is believed that paired. Recovery of the use of the leg the order will be continued. Should it depends upon the success of the opera- fail to stand, the order wil then give tion, it was stated late yesterday by an way to the advertisement of property ittending physician.

The conditions surrounding the near tragedy here have not been fully determined at this time as the young questioning. He is said to have left Norfolk Saturday where he had recently been in a hospital for an appendix urday he is said to have complained of being sick, and decided to rest before continuing his journey. During the first few hours of his stay here, he met several boys in this community, but they could not be reached in time to seek additional information- relative to the

Mr. Rhodes stated that he had only care for the number of candidates al- a small amount of change on his person, that he had been forwarding a greater part of his earnings to his fam- been due and unpaid on the same date

# TOWN PROPERTY SHOWS A GAIN OF

Increase Sum By \$100,000.

# Estate and Personal Property

List-Taker Reports

according to a report made public yestesday by Mr. W. T. Meadows, list- taxes (which is the only manner proestate and personal property, the value meet the present budget. at this time. The amount of those properties will be around \$100,000. Mr. Meadows stated, but their exact valuations can not be learned until the reports are received from Raleigh.

The property valuations in 1929, inas of April 1st, this year, were \$1,-

While the gain is limited in actual figures to approximately \$25,000, its material value stands out when the their taxes and there is no reason to county valuation is expected to show a decrease of an appreciable size.

No official figures are available on the valuations in the several townships, but the lists will be turned over to the auditor within the next few days. t is understood.

#### Scattered Showers Fall In County; Drought Continues

Although rain fell in this county during a part of last week and Sunday, sent the county and town, respectively, the drought has been little checked as at the hearing, it was learned yestera whole in this section, according to day. reports received from six townships yesterday. A good rain was reported Urge Large Attendance at Sunday in Goose Nest Township, but there was a need for more, it was statthere was a need for more, it was stat-ed. Griffins reported intermittent showers hardly checking the dust. Sim-ilar reports came from adjoining dis-tricts. Small showers fell here early at 12:30 o'clock in the Woman's Club Sunday, and a heavy rain of only a hall. few minutes fell here yesterday. The drought continues little abated, howard drought continues little abated, howard dinner will be prepared for a large number.

# OFFICIALS SAID TO SYMPATHIZE WITH OWNERS

Town Tax Sale Injunction Reported Likely To Be Discontinued

ASKING EARLY SALE

Attorney B. A. Critcher Will Ask for Continuance of Restraining Order Before Judge Sinclair Saturday

Meeting in special session here yeserday, the Martin County Board of Commissioners ordered the county atorney to file an answer to the restraining order enjoining the collector in several members on the board are in sympathy with the restraining order, they are said to have considered the action necessary in protecting the county. The attorney necessarily will

The tax situation in this county presents a problem encountered never benan's condition is considered serious. that every consideration is being ex-

for taxes within the next few days. Unpaid taxes in the town of Williamston present a different problem, and it is believed that the order will man's condition would hardly permit be discontinued in its case. An answer has been filed to the complaint overing practically every allegation

set out in the paper. In paragraph three of the complaint t was stated "Plaintiffs are advised and believe that some \$15,000 of the taxes for the current year are now it arrears and that practically all of said axes are due and owned by prominent; usiness citizens, and that around five hundred persons in the small town of wenty-seven hundred population are

default." In answering this particular comlaint the defense states in its answer. That the exact amount of the unpaid axes for the year 1929 is \$7,394.46. which amount is little more than have of former years. There are 193 whites

and 190 colored who have not paid. "That the amount of taxes unpaid is retty well divided among those who ave not paid, there being only 29 white taxpayers and one one colored The number of candidates announce AROUND \$25,000.00 taxpayer whose unpaid taxes amount to more than \$50. That about fifty per Corporation Values Will cent of all the taxpayers who have not paid their taxes now due are salary or wage earners, and have earned as much during the past twelve month \$1,530,116 VALUE GIVEN as they did during any other like per iod during the past five years.'

\$1,530,116.00 Represents Only Real It was further pointed that the town would be embarassed in meeting its obligations in that practically none of those who owe taxes will pay same if Property valuations in the town of said restraining order is made perma-Williamston were increased by approx- nent, and that it would be very diffiimately \$25,000 during the past year, cult, if not impossible, for the town to secure loans in the anticipation of The gain represents only real vided by law for borrowing funds to ations for the railroad company and stated in the answer, "that the bonded ther corporations being undetermined debts were incurred at the instance of a large majority of the citizens and taxpayers of Williamston for the purpose of constructing light, water, and sewer systems for the convenience, health, and happiness of all the people, and should be treated as a solcluding only real estate and personal emn and binding obligation and be property, were \$1,506,310. The listings paid promptly."

In concluding its answer, the defense stated that the relief asked for will eventually work a hardship on a majority of those who have not paid expect the defaulting taxpayers to be in a better financial condition next Sepember to pay their taxes with a coniderable amount of interest added. The complaints and answers for both

he county" and town have been filed, nd may be reviewed in the court of fices here. Attorney B. A. Critcher will appear efore Judge Sinclair in Wilson next Saturday afternoon, and Attorneys E. S. Peel and R. L. Coburn will repre-

sent the county and town, respectively,

Kiwanis Meet Tomorrow