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IS BROUGHT BACK HERE FOR TRIAL

Baltimore, Is Now in County Jail

CRIME IS 4 YEARS OLD Rogers Charged With Killing Miller

re, in Free Union Section In July, 1926 Perlie Rogers, alleged murderer of Miller Moore, colored, in the Free Union section of this county in July.

1926, was placed in the local jail last Tuesday to face trial in the superior court next week. He was returned to this county by Sheriff Roebuck and Chief of Police W. B. Daniel. Rogers, arrested in Baltimore for an assault a month ago, returned without a requisition. He apparently had tired of running from the crime, preferring to stand trial rather than go on evading the

Rogers, when questioned in the jail here this week, stated that the shoot ed when Moore tried to snatch a pistol Moore had been together all day Sunday, the day of the killing, and that they were sitting together in church when Moore showed him a pistol and told him he was going to carry it home. Moore, according to the story, asked Rogers to carry it home and he walked out, but Moore followed and attempted told by Baltimore policemen.

correspond with any of the informa- continuous work they accommodated \$361,701. Bear Grass will report with- throughout the county, every township tion coming from the witnesses. It is the applicants. claimed by them that Rogers was in the church in a half drunken condition, that he got up, walked out and de-liberately shot Moore.

According to information given out by the Balttimore detective bureau, officers there knew nothing of the killing until they questioned Moore in a genearl way and he explained the shooting. his father's paying the burial expense.

STORE ROBBED AT JAMESVILLE

W. J. Holliday Loses Several Pairs of Shoes and Other Merchandise

Robbers entered the store of W. J. Holliday in Jamesville late last Mon-

no arrests had been made in the case concluding his remarks. late yesterday.

within the past few days, the store of L. R. Moore having been entered by thieves Tuesday night of last week. No ing an investigation.

Rev. John Barclay Makes Very Fine Impression During Meeting

The services which have been in during the week will close tonight, except the pastor will preach Sunday morning and evening.

leave after the service tonight to fill some previous engagements. Good attendance has prevailed throughout the entire meeting.

The sermons have been of a high or der, full of spiritual truths, and have been brought to where all could understand and appreciate God's goodness and man's duty and opportunities Mr. Barclay's sermons were of the type that do not tear down and destroy, but which build up more perfect lives and characters by following in the ways of

Tom Brown Nominated To Legislature in Perquimans

Mr. Brown received ten more votes than all four of his opponents together

Mr. Brown visits here real often and he has many friends locally who are glad to hear of his success politically.

Program of Services

There will be only one service at the fields of South Carolina, the travelthe Methodist Church Sunday, and the fields of South Carolina, the travelthe Methodist Church Sunday, and the fields of South Carolina, the travelthe Methodist Church Sunday, and the fields of South Carolina, the travelthe diet. Several dollars worth of food the minister, and his talk was well rethat is the Sunday school at 9:45.

The following cases appear on the mondson, assault with a deadly weapmondson, assault with a deadly weap-The other services will be omitted from their destination. of the absence of the pastor

and the Christian revival.

ALLEGED KILLER Total of Six Candidates in Second Primary, July 5th

Perlie Rogers, Arrested in W. H. Carstarphen and C. A. Harrison for Treasurer; J. A. Everett, T. C. Griffin, H. S. Everett and B. S. Cowin for Board County Commissioners

> Politics in this county took on anotehr coat last night when a second race for the office of county treasurer and county co was announced by Mr. Sylvester Peel, chairman of the county board of elections. Filings were conditional up until late last night when the names of W. H. Carstarphen, for treasurer, and those of Messrs. B. S. Cowin and H. S. Everett, for ners, were officially en-

Mr. Carstarphen will oppose Mr. Gus Harrison, leading candidate in the primary of last Saturday. The oners' race includes the candidacies of Messrs. T. C. Griffin and I. A. Everett, the aspirants who were given fourth and fifth

places respectively in the last Saturday primary, and Messrs. B. S. Cowin and H. S. Everett who came out sixth and seventh respectively.

The second primary will be held the fifth of next month, Mr. Peel ounced last night.

The ballot for the next primary will be as follows:

FOR TREASURER (Vote for one) Gus Harrison

() W. H. Carstarphen FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER

(Vote for Two) () T. C. Griffin () J. A. Everett () B. S. Cowin

ing resulting in Moore's death follow- MANY IN COUNTY VALUATION OFF from his hands. He stated that he and ARE VACCINATED IN GOOSE NEST

Advantage of Offer

to take the weapon from him. Moore taking the free typhoid vaccine in the in Goose Nest Township, the drop besnatched the weapon and it fired. He county this month, it was learned from ing considerably less than the estimates says he ran to the woods, threw the the office of Dr. Wm. E. Warren yes- made several weeks ago indicated. The total of 711 births and 372 deaths. Of pistol away, and caught a train at terday. In groups of hundreds, men listing totaled \$1,668,423, as compared the 711 births, 320 were among the Plymouth and went to Baltimore, that women, and children have gone to their with \$1,719,913 for the year before. he did not know Moore was killed until respective dispensaries for the treatment. At time the doctors have been The story told by Moore does not overtaxed, but by efficient methods and the valuation decrease now stands at

> According to reports received by the forging ahead in the drive against the \$411,701. fever. Nearly 1,500 have been vaccinated in that district, the number being about equal between the white and colored people.

No official report has been made at He claimed it had all been settled by this time on the number receiving the vaccine at Robersonville, but it was it is believed. the belief of Dr. Warren that several hundred are being cared for the docors of that township.

> Approximately one-fourth, or probably almost a third taking the typhoid treatment are also taking advantage of the diphtheria vaccine.

The second clinic will be held here

tomorrow, the last closing June 28. The county health officer expressed day night and carted off several pairs himself as being greatly pleased with of shoes and other merchandise. Pre- the responses given the clinic, and he paratory to entering the dry goods gives as his opinion that typhoid will store, the thief or thieves entered a soon be extinct in this section. The garage there, where they secured tools response also indicates an enlightened necessary in forcing an opening.

Efforts to effect a capture failed, and preventive diseases, Dr. Warren said in

The robbery was the second there Judge Sinclair Exchanges

Judge N. A. Sinclair will not pre- time last year. arrest has been made in that case up side at the next term of Martin Coun-Monday, it has been unofficially learned owners bear approximately three-here. Official announcement has not fourths of the amount involved. In Macclesfield Lodge, Macclesfield;

According to the reports received \$1,506.11. son. No cause was assigned for the lected tax on personal property.

Change, as far as it could be learned, When considering the economic de-Anderson, of Raleigh, will attend. progress at the local Christian church but the trouble resulting during his last pression, the list of delinquents is bevisit to this county is believed to have lieved to be smaller this year than it the district at this meeting. something to do with the exchange.

Approximately Fourth of Decrease of \$51,490 Shown as a result of the 1929 statistics, would

County Population Take in Township; Board To Meet Monday

With all the townships reporting their values with the exception of one, colored ones. in the next day or two, and, according to reports, the loss there will be around ception of one district and the number office here, Cross Roads Township is \$50,000, bringing the drop to around

The Martin County Board of Comthe alterations will count for but little, lapse, especially among the colored

Real estate values will go unchanged this year, only fire losses or other damages making possible a decrease, while improvements will be considered on the ncrease side of the valuation sheets

TOWN TAX LIST IS ADVERTISED

48 Tracts of Land in Town To Be Sold by Collector Monday, July 7th

One hundred and forty-eight parcels for taxes due the town of Williamston, the number being 62 greater than the HERE THURSDAY list advertised last year, comparative

in the number of delinquents, the white district, comprising Concord Lodge, of SERIES SERVICES
been made, local court officials stating yesterday that Sinclair was scheduled to hold the term, that they had not heard there would be a change.

TO END TONIGHT

TO END TO

here, Sinclair effected a change with To the total, \$5,230.01, there should Judge Garland R. Midyette, of Jack- be added approximately \$1,500 uncol- Master E. W. Timberlake, jr., of Wake Cross Roads

Rev. John Barclay, of Wilson, will FORTY-THREE FLORIDA NEGROES TRAVELING THROUGH COUNTRY IN TRUCK SEARCHING FOR WORK Two Kinston Merchants

Pass Through Here Late Wednesday; Hungry, "Broke," And Discouraged, Party Has Had Hard Time; On Way To Potato Fields in Virginia

through here late Wednesday en route W. Tom Brown, popular and well- and one passenger car carrying sevknown drug salesman, of Hertford county was nominated in the primary for a seat in the General Assembly. digging. With their heads bent from human interest. travel and hunger, the older members of the ban showed signs of relief when they learned that their destination was

Traveling in an open truck, the 43 souls shared alike in rain and sunshine. Three weeks ago they left their funds and kept her in a hospital talk, Rev. T. W. Thurston, colored one night. She took her place on the minister of New Bern, last Tuesday night attacked the chain stores and plaining little.

Very few civil issues are likely to remaining number was entered by war-laws, S. B. Sanders, assault with a deadly weapon; Perlie Rogers, murder; the superior court.

Very few civil issues are likely to receiving; Edgar Ayers, assault with a At Methodist Church homes in Florida for their art in plaining little.

The baggage for the group was less truck repairs at a local station. In on the chain stores delivered here, his than that carried by the average family return, sincere thanks were offered.

Herded as sheep or hogs are herded, on a short trip, and their truck apon a truck, forty-three colored people, parently had been in use for several noon. Mr. Adler was badly cut about men women and children, passed years.

offered. They cared very little to dis-

Near Florence, S. C., one of the eight trucks in the caravan turned over on T. W. Thurston Speaks hardly more than a hundred miles a slipper road, but fortunately no one was killed. An old woman suffered sev-Traveling in an open truck, the 43 eral broken ribs. The party grouped

party as the forty-three waited for It was the minister's second speech

372 DEATHS AND 711 BIRTHS IN **COUNTY IN 1929**

Death Rate Is 15.5 and Birth Rate 29.6 Per 1,000 Population

COLORED RACE LEADS Negro Birth Rate Nearly Double That

Of White People, Population Being Considered Martin county's death rate for the tion, it was learned in a recent study of register of deeds here. As compared with the rate for the State, it is be

eved that there are more deaths and pirths per 1,000 in the county than will be found for the State as a whole. A feature of the statistics attracting musual attention is the large number TOTAL AMOUNT \$31,300 of colored births over the white. Considering that the number of whites is much larger than is the case with the coloreds, the number of colored births ommand a high position in the rate chedule. In other words, if the two aces were equal in number, the colored births for the past year, it is believed have been more than double the whites.

ead, is a greater death rate than that Approximately 7,000, or one-fourth A decrease of \$51,490 was reported for the whites. However, the births of the county's entire population, are this week in the property valuations command a higher place in the rate schedule than do the deaths.

The statistics show that there were a whites, and 391 among the coloreds. There were 159 white deaths and 213

Illegitimate births were numerous reporting from one to 20 with the exsmall. Of the 73 illegitimate births, taxes due the county. 69 of them were colored, the statistics nissioners, sitting as a board of equali- show. It is believed that the number o ration and review, will meet here next such births showed the largest increase Monday to hear complaints. The law last year than has ever been reported imits the power of the board, and in any year before. The figures indicate while there will be a few minor changes that morals have suffered a serious re-I race in the county.

Deaths and births as reported by the

| several townships: | | |
|--------------------|--------|-------|
| Township | Deaths | Birth |
| Bear Grass | 24 | 47 |
| Cross Roads | 46 | 54 |
| Griffins | 13 | 34 |
| Hamilton | 46 | 85 |
| Jamesville | 26 | 60 |
| Goose Nest | -44 | 109 |
| Boplar Point | 14 | 34 |
| Robersonville | 80 | 135 |
| Williams | 19 | 50 |
| Williamston | ÷ 60 | 121 |
| Total | 372 | 711 |
| | | |

of land were advertised for sale today MASONS TO MEET

records show. The tax involved is \$5,- Grand Lodge Officers To Attend District Meeting At Local Lodge

ns of the eighteenth

Every member of the five lodges is equested to attend this meeting. Grand Griffins Forest, and Grand Secretary John H. They hope to meet every Mason in

The officers of each lodge in the district are requested to meet with the Bear Grass Grand Officers in the lodge room at 5 clock on the same day for conference and instruction

Hurt in Wreck Near Here

Messrs, Phillip Adler and R. E. Brody, merchants, of Kinston, were hurt when their car turned over twice at the Godard filling station, near here, on Highway No. 90, yesterday after the neck, and Mr. Brody's hand was "There isn't much doing down our bruised and cut. The injuries are not the machine turned over twice.

Board Now Plans to Limit Paving Program to \$40,000

612 Tracts of Land in County BIDS FOR \$75,000 **Advertised for Unpaid Taxes**; To Be Sold Monday, July 7th Action Taken at Meeting of

year 1929 was 15.5 persons per 1,000 NUMBER NEARLY rate of 29.6 persons per 1,000 popula- DOUBLE THAT OF vital statistics filed in the office of the PREVIOUS YEAR

Showing Considered Very Good Under Conditions Now Prevailing

Williamston Has Largest Number of Delinquents, While Goose Nest

Has Largest Amount Due

Six hundred and twelve parcels of land were advertised for taxes in the county this week, representing uncollected tax accounts in the sum of \$31, 309.50. The amount is approximately one-tenth of the entire county levy Offsetting the Negro's birth rate and, under the present conditions, is considered small. Personal property i not considered, as the tax claims are handled directly in those cases. The amount listed as personal property and unpaid at this time is several thousand dollars, according to the best estimates

available at the present. Last year there were 366 parcels of land advertised for taxes in this councf births in that particular district was 293 parcels of land were advertised for

The list this year provides a source ward trend in all payments and especi- next fall. ally so in the case of the small property owners. The number of large of their accounts shows a decided increase, but a close study of the lists indicates that the majority of the increase resulted in that class where hs the owners were limited to the posses

sion of small and very small tracts. Robersonville township, although reporting the greatest valuation decrease this year, is apparently in the best condition of any district in the county, The records show that there remain uncollected only \$3,112.83, the amount being distributed among 70 property own

Goose Nest, with . 111 unpaid accounts, apparently is at the bottom of Approximately \$8,000 remain epaid in that district.

Williamston leads the list in the numer of unfortunates. There are 147 cluded, the number owing \$5,298.35. Poplar Point has an unusual record. there being only five unpaid accounts and all are confined to white property owners. Bear Grass reported no unpaid accounts among the colored.

from the head of the list this year. A tabulation of the number and amount of unpaid accounts, by town-

Number Amount Poplar Point Hamilton .. Williamston Robersonville

Tomorrow, June 14, Is National Flag Day

Tomorrow is National Flag Day. The American Flag was adopted and for the first time waved as the official emblem of the United States on June 14, 1777, and the day has been designated National Flag Day by act of Congress.

Williamston did not display her flags on May 10th, Memorial Day, nor on May 30th, Decoration Day, as is the usual custom, presumably through over-sight. It is thought that the flags will be put out tomorrow.

LOCAL SCHOOL COACH RESIGNS

Brodie Hood To Be Head Coach at Burlington Next Year

Coach B. E. Hood yesterday resigned s eoach in the local high school to acty, that number representing \$18,801 in cept a position as head coach in the session, the board with several citizen unpaid taxes. The personal property Parlington schools. "It is with resettled down to work," the commission tax for that year and unpaid at the gret,"-Mr. Hood stated, "that I resign, ers stating that they desired to do what time of the initial advertising ran the but the opportunity forces me to make was best in the best way. Then it was sum up to \$26,301.78. Two years ago, the change." In accepting the resig-that the proposed \$40,000 bond issue nation, the local board expressed its was advanced, the opponents to the deep regrets, and wished him success in paving then shared the views of the his new field. He begins, his new work board, and it now looks as if the paymuch study, pointing to a down- with the opening of the schools there ing program, with the board acting

> Mr. Hood came to the local schools bree years ago. Starting at that time ith undeveloped material, he soon decloped winning teams and has made a splendid record in that field.

The resignation will be received with much regret by the patrons of the chool and the people generally. According to information coming

om the school board, applications will considered for the vacancy within next day or two. The local committee is working on the school budget this week, and hopes to complete the task within the next few days.

MAY REPORT OF COUNTY AGENT

Field Work Consumes Most Of Agent Time During Past Month

Field work featured the work of the Martin County farm agent during the past month, according to a report regular month, according to a report regular, \$1.40; grading 50 cents; Wilson to the law Agent T. P. Proposition of the l cently filed by Agent T. B. Brandon. mington, 1929, asphalt paving, \$2.35; The agent spent twenty-one days in Raleigh, during last two years, as-Griffins, long a leader in tax settle- The agent spent twenty-one days in ments and valuation increases, dropped the field investigating shortages in to-phalt paving, \$2.38; Goldsboro, 1928, damages and other farm work.

season was loaded during the month, cluding concrete and grading, \$2.07; 5 \$ 452.27 the season's loadings resulting in a sav- curb \$1.00; Greenville, 1930, concrete, 1,607.28 ing to poultry raisers of around \$2,- \$1.90; curb and gutter, 75 and grading 1.445.13 000, it was pointed out in the report.

-5,024.82 The report follows in detail: Six days spent in office; 140 confer-3,965.75 ences held; 146 telephone calls receiv- at 28 cents per cubic yard. Curb and 8,009.89 ed; 179 letters written; 69 farms visit-3,112.83 ed; 1,079 miles traveled on official du-953.40 ties; 4 articles written for local papers; 4,439.78 551 hogs treated during the month.

JUNE TERM OF MARTIN COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT TO CONVENE HERE MONDAY; ONE WEEK TERM Special Service For

Thirty-One Criminal Cases, Mostly of Minor Importance, Scheduled for Trial; Only Few Civil Actions Will Receive Consideration

Thirty-one criminal cases and sever- charged in several counts; Addie Robal civil issues are scheduled for trial erson, obstructing officer in performto points in Virginia to seek work in the present time," one of the potato fields. The forty-three were only a part of a caravan of eight rucks tions had been asked and no answer with the merchants, escaped injury.

Three boys, of in the one week term of Martin Countains, discussions, disciplined and the present time, one of the considered serious. Three boys, of in the one week term of Martin Countains, and the present time, one of the considered serious. Three boys, of in the one week term of Martin Countains, and the present time, one of the present time, one of the considered serious. Three boys, of in the one week term of Martin Countains, and the present time, one of the present time, one of the present time, one of the considered serious. Three boys, of in the one week term of Martin Countains, and the present time, one of the party stated, after a volley of question, the party stated, after a volley of questions, one of the present time, one of the In an attempt to avoid a collision at docket is of minor importance as far Aaron Sheppard, assault with a deaderal hundred people all the way from Florida to Virginia to assist potato sions told a story that carried great the car, turned off the highway, and charging Perlie Rogers with murder, a deadly weapon; R. D. Spruill, assault with pastor announces that after this Suncharging Perlie Rogers with murder, a deadly weapon; Hubert Wooten, as when he applied the brakes suddenly is not expected to attract a great many sault with a deadly weapon; Buck Terspectators.

At Courthouse Tuesday through appeals from judgments handed down in the recorder's court. The court was entered by wartalk, Rev. T. W. Thurston, colored rant or continued from other terms of deadly weapon; Perlie Rogers, murder;

criminal docket:

ry and Mrs. Buck Terry, obstructing Twenty of the 31 cases scheduled on officer in the performance of his duty; the criminal docket were entered Kelly Salsbury, larceny and receiving; Mary Lou Roberson, larceny and re- therefore we are all grateful. general combines, "that are bleeding come up this term, and it is believed deadly weapon; J. H. Taylor and John The following cases appear on the mondson, assault with a deadly weapon; J. C. Cherry, violating the liququi Thos. L. Laughinghouse, operating laws: Ivey M. Parker, larceny and car while intoxicated; Wiley Roberson, receiving.

WORTH BONDS ARE REJECTED

Board Held Wednesday Night Here COSTS ARE COMPARED

Contract Price Submitted Here Lower Than For Work Done in Near-by Town in Recent Years

A solution to the town's proposed paving program resulted last Wedneslay evening, when the town commisioners, in special session, unanimously greed to issue \$40,000 in bonds to ave as many of the streets perpendicalar to Main as possible and stop at hat, for a while at least. Bids for the \$75,000 worth of bonds advertised

some time ago were rejected. A hectic session was recorded at the last Wednesday evening meeting, and it was feared that uncalled for accusations would result in trouble. Threatwere made that the board members considered unnecessary, the spokesman apparently guarding the source of the unfounded accusations. Standing its ground, the board stated that it had nothing under the table, that even a casual investigation into the town's affairs would show that the commission ers had worked untiringly in behalf of the town's welfare and progress.

Following the heated moments of the ssion, the board with several citizens manimously in the matter, will go forward. The motion was made by Commissioner. Moore and seconded by Commissioner Lindsley.

It will be remembered that paying work had been tabled several months ago and was again brought up through Commissioner Meadows at the request a number of owners petitioning for paving. This was some time prior to the ordinance authorizing the sale of the \$75,000 worth of bonds.

Much discussion has resulted from the paying contract for the proposed program here. Costs of paving in other towns have been investigated and it is found that the price contracted here is much lower in every instance. Several citizens have inquired as to placing the work under new contracts, but after investigating compartive costs and realizing that cement has advance ed in price, it was considered unnecessary to call for new contracts.

Comparative costs follow:

Robersonville, 1925, concrete paving, \$2.60; grading 50 cents; Plymouth, bacco plants, beetle and other insect 1923, asphalt paving, \$3.15; curb and The last of the poultry cars for the pavement, \$1.73; Washington, 1930, ingutter, \$1.10; Sanford, 1930, concrete 40 cents. &

> The contract here calls for \$1.67 per square yard with the grading fingred gutters, under the contract, will cost 75 cents.

> There is much that can be said in the matter, but all the way through the commissioners have followed the law closely, guarding the rights of

Baptist Young People

. Sunday morning at the Baptist church there will be held a special service for the younger element of the congregation. The pastor will preach, and there will be some special music by a group of six girls.

There will be no evening sermon but the prayer meeting will be held Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock. The Sunday school and B. Y. P. U. groups will meet at their regular hours. The

tire schedule of church services. He has been very happy to see so many of his congregation in attendance church, and has rejoiced in the unusually fine sermons which have been preached. When anything good comes to Williamston, it helps us all; and

Jamesville Baptist Church To Have Regular Services

Rev. W. B. Harrington, pastor. Morning service, 11 a. m. Sunday school, 10 a, m