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## PROCEEDINGS IN SUPERIOR COURT HERE THIS WEEK

### George Wright Adjudged Not Guilty In Jas. Salisbury Murder Case

### GRANT TWO DIVORCES

No Sensational Cases; Grand Jury Completes Its Work Wednesday; Petit Jury Discharged for Week

While the week's session of the superior court has had no sensations, it has disposed of a goodly number of things of minor importance. The grand jury completed its work on Wednesday, and the petit jury passed on all cases set on this week's docket and was discharged Thursday evening.

Following are the cases finally disposed of up to Thursday morning:

Hardy Rogers, charged with assault with a deadly weapon with intent to kill, plead guilty of assault with deadly weapon. Judgment was suspended upon the payment of the costs and \$5 doctor's bill.

Indictments charging Early M. Boston with housebreaking and assault with deadly weapon were not prosed.

Alton Hoyt Smith, charged with larceny, was sentenced to the Edgecombe roads for 8 months.

Robert Taft Williams and Luther Anderson, charged with housebreaking and larceny, were found guilty by the jury, Williams for receiving stolen goods knowing them to have been stolen, and Anderson of larceny. Anderson was sentenced to the Edgecombe roads for 12 months. Williams was given a 4 months suspended sentence upon payment of the costs.

George Wright, who was charged with murder, was adjudged not guilty. Early Boston was found guilty of assault with a deadly weapon and sentenced to the Edgecombe roads, capias not to issue for two years except upon motion of the solicitor.

Frank Powell, charged with rape, was convicted and sentenced to the roads of Edgecombe County for the term of two years.

Judgment suspended upon Ernie Lannier on a charge of larceny.

Henry Page, charged with assault with intent to kill, was convicted and sentenced to the Edgecombe roads for the term of eight months.

Charged with rape, Matthews James entered a plea of assault on a female, was required to pay the court costs and a fine of \$50, and was sentenced to the Edgecombe roads for 12 months. The sentence was suspended for one year.

The case charging Octavius Daniel with seduction was not prosed.

The charge of irregular voting by J. K. Downs was not prosed.

Robert Jackson and William Alexander, indicted for assisting and aiding in forgery, asked for a nol pro, which was granted.

Mrs. Hugh B. Holloman was granted a divorce from her husband, who is now serving a term on the roads for abandonment.

Divorce was granted Janie A. Harrell from Ola Harrell.

Non suits were taken in the cases of S. M. Meeks and wife against J. H. James and that of J. H. James against S. M. Meeks.

D. G. Matthews vs. H. T. Stallings Estate. All matters were settled by payment of the costs by the Stallings Estate.

The Philadelphia Bag Co. vs. D. D. Stalls. Judgment for the plaintiff of \$2,358.07.

Wheeler Martin vs. Farmers and Merchants Bank. All matters having been adjusted, it was ordered that the sum of \$314.50 now held by the court be turned over to Mrs. L. P. Martin.

J. W. Watts vs. Z. H. Rose and others. Judgment for the plaintiff in the sum of \$400.

## County Boy To Be Ordained At Church Here Monday

Leon Malone will be ordained to the deaconate at the Church of the Advent on Monday at 11 a. m., by Bishop Darst.

Rev. Malone is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Malone and was reared near Williamston. He attended school at Macedonia and Bear Grass and then high school at Arden. He then went to DuBose School at Monticello, Tenn., where he graduated in the academic and theological departments on August 6th.

During his vacation in 1928 he did church work in Hyde County and in 1929 he was located in Beaufort County. During this season he has done some work in Gates and Hertford Counties, which work he will continue with headquarters at Ashokie.

## Completes A Successful Meeting At Gold Point

Rev. A. E. Purvis, a Hassell farmer who works during the week and preaches on Sundays, held a week's meeting in Gold Point last week, resulting in the baptizing of seven young women of that community and one elderly lady taking membership with the church.

## Sheriffs Roebuck and Reid Capture Alleged Murderer Near Jamesville Thursday

### Half Million Pounds On Local Mart This Week

The Williamston Tobacco market sold over half a million pounds of tobacco this week at a \$9.65 per hundred average, today's figures not included.

The average for the week would have gone above ten cents but for the flood of black tips on the market yesterday.

According to grades made by the government standards, all tobacco with any class to it has sold higher this week than last, some of it selling several cents higher per pound. No noticeable change in the prices for poorer grades was noted.

## BARBER PRICES DOWN AND UP

### Form Association at Meeting Held in Citizen Shop Last Night

Local barber prices dropped and then went up again this week when the humorously called barber's trust met competition recently introduced here. Shaves dropped from 20 to 15 cents and hair cuts from 35 to 25 cents. Other prices were also reduced. But the reduction was too great and the association ordered a return to old prices, many customers not even getting a shave or hair cut during the short season of low prices.

The general conversational topics so common in a barber shop have suffered since the competition was introduced here a few days ago. Even "hard times" and low tobacco prices were seldom mentioned, so important was the barber's own business. Now that the "trust" has its business settled, a return to the general conversational topics is expected.

## Thieves Steal Peanuts from Columbian Peanut Company

A small quantity of cleaned peanuts was stolen from the local plant of the Columbian Peanut Company last night, the thieves entering a sealed box car. Mr. Pritchard, plant manager, stated this morning that he had not made a complete check on the loss, but he believed that no great quantity of the peas had been removed by the thieves.

Officers were called early this morning and they succeeded in establishing a clue that is expected to result in one or two arrests.

The peanuts were placed in the car late yesterday for shipment on the early freight today.

## County Boy To Play with The Baltimore Orioles

Dick Cherry, a Martin County boy, will be on the Baltimore Orioles pitching staff next year, according to press reports received here. The Baltimore team is a member of the International League, a class AA organization, and the Orioles have won so many pennants in the league that it has almost become a habit with them. Young Cherry, who has been in the sports spotlight as far back as high school, when he played on the several Everett teams, this year completes a successful season with the Durham Bulls.

## Boy Scout Campaign Begins November 22nd

November 18 to 22 has been set aside by the executive board of the Boy Scout Council for the annual finance campaign. The various towns and communities in this area will conduct their campaigns on the same date, raising funds for the 1931 budget.

The Boy Scout movement has established itself in the hearts of the people in practically all progressive communities, and people consider it indispensable as a character-training work.

## 2,677 Pupils Now Enrolled In Martin County Schools

According to the latest figures received here, 2,677 white children are now enrolled in the eleven schools enjoying the eight months term. Robersonville reported 570 enrolled, including 296 elementary and 174 high school and commercial students.

Opening last Monday, none of the schools has reported at this time average daily attendance figures, and accurate comparisons can not be made. No great difference is expected in the attendance figures for the two years, however.

## HENRY DANIEL ADMITS KILLING WILLIAM ANGE

### Trapped By Sheriffs Roebuck and Reid In Lower Part of This County

### CARRIED TO RALEIGH

### Alleged-Murder Makes Statement To Officers While In Green Jail

Henry Dave Daniel, alleged murderer of William Wright Ange, 84-year-old white man at Camp Point last Sunday, was captured by Sheriffs Roebuck and Reid near the Washington county line late last night.

Immediately following the killing, and almost constantly since that time, officers have carried on an extensive search for the man. No chances were taken and deputies watched night and day Daniel's hiding places until they trapped him in a woods in the lower part of the county.

The two sheriffs effected the capture when they blocked a path that had only one outlet and held up car and arrested the driver. A search was made, presumably for whiskey, but when the officers opened the lid to the rear compartment they found Daniel hidden there. Taking their man, the sheriffs walked him through the woods to their car, Daniel showing great fear of being lynched as the officers walked him through the swamps. Fearing violence, the officers carried Daniel to Greenville where he admitted the killing. It was then decided to carry the prisoner on to Raleigh, Sheriff Whitehurst taking him in his care at that point.

Daniel, at first, vigorously denied any knowledge of the killing, and stated that he spent Sunday night with an aunt in Washington. The sheriff had planned the capture too well and established too many facts for Daniel to continue with his story. Sheriff Roebuck told Daniel where he spent Sunday night and where he had been since that time.

Daniel continued to deny his connection with the killing until he was placed in the Greenville jail. He called Sheriff Roebuck and told him he had something to tell him and then made and signed the following statement:

"I left Jamesville Sunday afternoon with a gallon of whiskey by myself and paddled boat to Camp Point fishery. Mr. Ange and I drank some whiskey. He then went to his room and got his shot gun and said let's go and kill some bull frogs. We went and returned to the fish house. Mr. Ange got upon a scaffold and I asked him for the gun. I did not know it was loaded. I pulled the trigger back and the gun fired and the load hit him in the head. Then I got scared, took him from the scaffold and pushed him into the river. I then threw the gun overboard. I got in the boat and paddled back to a landing near the Ball Gray farm and went across the field to town.

## Local Baptists Resume Their Regular Schedule

With vacation days over and school beginning, this church once more settles down to its regular program of winter services. There is the Sunday school every Sunday morning in the year—the attendance now running over 200. The church maintains a full program of preaching services—morning and evening. There are two B. Y. P. U. organizations and another one in the making. There is the work of the Missionary Union and the Ladies' Aid, and whatever extra activities the church may plan from time to time. Also, the mid-week service at the church.

Beginning Sunday, all evening services of the church will begin at 7:30 o'clock. This will cause the B. Y. P. U. to meet at 6:30.

In a small town it is always an event when a group of young teachers come into the community to make their homes for several months. This church, along with the community in general and the other churches, welcomes the teachers—both new and old—and will be glad when they worship with us.

## Plans Complete for Big Fair at Rocky Mount

The Rocky Mount Fair, one of the largest in this part of the State, and the first to open the 1930 season, yesterday announced its preparations as complete for one of the biggest show-ings ever held. Mr. Norman Y. Chambliss, secretary of the organization, today extended patrons of the old Roanoke Fair a special invitation to visit Rocky Mount and the fair next week.

The Rubin and Cherry shows, one of the largest coming south, will be on the midway and according to Mr. Chambliss, the grandstand attractions will be the greatest ever presented at any fair in Eastern Carolina. Admissions have been reduced, and no day charges will be made for seats in the grandstand, it was stated.

## LOCAL CHURCH PLANS FOR MEET

### Kehukee Association Will Hold Its 165th Annual Session Here

The 165th annual session of the Kehukee Primitive Baptist Association will be held with the Skewarkey church here October 4, 5, and 6. Each year the annual association is regarded as one of the big events in the church, and the meeting attracts much attention.

Members of the local church have agreed to meet on the grounds Tuesday, September 30, to make preparations for the association. All members are asked to meet there at that time and assist in the work.

So great are the numbers of the denomination visiting the annual associations that the members of the local church are asking the cooperation of every one who will in entertaining those attending the meeting from distant points.

## 12 PRISONERS IN COUNTY'S JAIL

### Six Prisoners Removed To Edgecombe for Work On Roads There

Judge Clayton Moore favored the Martin County jailer here this week when he ordered 6 of the 17 prisoners sent to the Edgecombe County roads for terms of varying duration. Yesterday, Warden Harper, of the Edgecombe camps, came down and carried the six men to the new home.

Several of the 12 remaining prisoners are being held under Federal warrants, but they, too, will be leaving within the next few days for trial in the district court at Washington.

## Petersburg Man Injured In Auto Accident Here

Mr. Jimmie Edmondson, of Hope-ville, but formerly of this county, was badly hurt in an automobile at the corner of Main and Elm Streets here early last night. Two companions, Andy Leggett and Paul McKeel, both of this county, escaped with minor hurts.

Mr. Edmondson was attempting to turn into Elm Street and ran into an electric light pole in an effort to miss a car coming into Main out of Elm Street. He was badly cut about the forehead and received a painful bruise on the leg.

Damage to the car, a new model Ford roadster, was estimated at \$150.

## Restless Pig Causes Auto Wreck Near Oak City

Mr. J. C. Ross was badly cut about the face and Mr. Ed Johnson was slightly injured when their automobile ran into an embankment near Oak City early this morning.

The two men were driving down the road with a pig in the rear of their car. All went well until the pig became restless and attracted the attention of the two men who turned to look at the pig and let the car takes its course. The car was badly wrecked.

## G. W. Martin Not Greatly Affected by Low Tobacco

G. W. Martin, of Jamesville, was on the market here yesterday. Mr. Martin happens to be one of our Martin County farmers who is not affected so much by the low price of tobacco. He is able to live without tobacco. He raises something to eat.

Mr. Henry Roberson, of Griffins Township, was also here, and he, too, raises tobacco as a side line and is able to live if tobacco doesn't sell at all.

## County Education Board Meets Here Last Tuesday

Meeting here last Tuesday, the Martin County Board of Education urged Farm Life School authorities to be lenient in the issuance of permits allowing certain children near the border line of the district to attend school at some other institution than the one at Farm Life. It is understood that pupils studying in the eleventh grade can attend any high school they choose to attend in the county, but others are supposed to enroll in their respective districts.

## Farmer Averages 40 Cents a Pound for 160 Pounds Here

Mr. James H. Revels was on the market yesterday with some good tobacco. His best pile weighed 160 pounds and brought 40 cents per pound.

## Tobacco Growers at Meeting Favor Cooperative Marketing

## Many County Children Kept Out of School As Result of Inability to Buy Necessities

## WORKERS ARE INVESTIGATING NUMBER CASES

### Poverty And Farm Work Given As Main Causes For Non-Attendance

## 40 OUT IN ONE SCHOOL

### Second Hand Book Sale Said To Be The Most Complete In County In Several Years

Facing destitute circumstances almost, many Martin County children are remaining out of school this year because their parents are unable to supply them with books, necessary material and clothing. In addition to the number of children unable to enter the classroom there are others, many others, who are attending by practicing the strictest economy ever practiced. Their lots are described as very unfavorable by teachers in the various schools. The purchase of second-hand books in practically every community in the county has been the most complete in years, it was stated by several of the principals. New book sales have been limited, according to statements made by several of the merchants carrying school supplies in their stocks.

Comparatively few parents were excused under the pauper's oath from sending their children to school last year, and no large number is expected this year. The situation as reported by various people in the several communities will call for a series of concentrated visits by teachers and welfare workers, it is believed.

While visits have already been made by welfare workers in several of the school districts, it will be about two weeks before county-wide canvasses can be made, it was stated by the superintendent yesterday. Committees have been appointed in several of the districts to investigate certain cases, and the county authorities are urging all the heads of the individual schools to select committees to investigate and assist in the handling of absences, indifference of parents, and so on.

One principal reporting on the attendance figures in his school stated that only a few children were out of school and that they would enter within the next few days, that the depression will hardly affect the average daily attendance there.

The problem facing the schools and welfare departments this year is said to be (Continued on page four)

## Casey Convicted of First Degree Murder in Lenoir

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## COMMITTEE WILL DRAW CONTRACT BY NEXT MONDAY

### Meeting Unanimously Favors Return to Co-op Marketing Plan

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### Hundred Million Pound Sign-Up Will Be Necessary for Continuation Of Relief Work

A return to the cooperative system of marketing tobacco was practically made certain last Wednesday, when 2,000 farmers, business men, and State officials met with James Stone, member of the Federal Farm Board, and discussed possible relief for the tobacco-growing sections. The particular system is to be worked out by a committee, and it is likely that the plan or marketing contract will be submitted next Monday. While the Wednesday meeting eagerly sought some measure of relief, it was virtually agreed that unless the growers pledge a hundred million or more pounds efforts for relief would be stopped.

Returning from the Wednesday meeting, Mr. Harry Waldo, of Hamilton, stated yesterday that the group unanimously favored some system or action, that he considered the prospects bright for some type of organization. "The Governor, everybody, in fact, were sold on the cooperation plan," Mr. Waldo added. The governor is said to have made one of his best speeches, and Mr. Stone, of the Farm Board, stated the government's stand in the matter. Mr. Stone declared that the farm board will lend under the Federal farm act and will stretch the law to the utmost limit it can be carried without breaking it.

## TELEVOX GIRL IN WILLIAMSTON

### Electrical Robot To Be Exhibited By Power Company

A startling electrical demonstration has been arranged for the customers of the Virginia Electric and Power Company, according to an announcement made yesterday by Mr. R. H. Goodman, sales manager for the company.

Mr. Goodman stated that it would be impossible to hold more than two of these demonstrations in the Carolina Division of the V. E. P. Co., one at Roanoke Rapids and a second in the Watts theatre, Williamston.

Miss Katrine Van Televox, the ingenious electrical robot of the Westinghouse Electric Company will appear in the demonstration here next Friday afternoon, September 26, at 2:30 o'clock, and it is a real opportunity for the ladies of this community to see this member of the race of electrically actuated dummies perform her startling feats. With no other assistance than a command from her master, Mr. Armstrong, who will accompany her to Williamston, she turns on lights, starts vacuum sweepers, electric fans, and many other electrical appliances. As a climax to her performance, she will address her audience.

This extremely modern mechanical girl is coming to Williamston in the guise of a demure Dutch lass, symbolic of the convenience of Flavor Zone cooking with the modern Westinghouse electric range, Mr. Goodman stated.

Mr. Goodman, who was here yesterday, also stated that Televox robots are capable of answering telephone calls, receiving directions, and replacing the receiver when the conversation is over. In practical use, robots are not clothed in the body of a dummy, but are intricate machines constructed to perform certain functions in the operation and control of sub-stations, power plants, airport lights, and water reservoirs.

Three such automatons are watching three reservoirs in Washington, D. C., and when called by telephone from the War Department, make accurate reports as to the height of the water.

Miss Televox has been for some time on a national tour, which has taken her to many cities in the United States. She is said to represent a cost of \$22,000, and is a "brother" to "Herbert Televox," metal man who has been shown before many scientific gatherings.

The demonstration, absolutely free, will begin at 2:30 p. m., at the Watts theatre, Williamston, September 26 and all are invited to attend.

## Presbyterian Services In County for This Sunday

### "The Church With An Open Door." Sunday, September 21; Church school, 9:45 a. m. Departmental classes.

Worship service and sermon, 11 a. m. Subject: "Man the Conqueror." "Kill me, none may; conquer me, nothing can—I am God's soul fused in the soul of man."—Ella Heath.

We wish to take this opportunity to invite all the teachers, tobaccoists, and all who are strangers in our city to come and worship with us each Sunday. Everybody should go to some church each Sunday. You are always welcome at ours.

Leggetts Farm, Sunday school at 4 p. m. Preaching immediately afterwards.

Bear Grass, 7 p. m. Come and join us in the singing, to be led by Mr. R. F. Pope. Story telling and Gospel messages. Everybody welcome.