

Advertisers Will Find Our Columns a Lashby to Over Sixteen Hundred Martin County Homes

# THE ENTERPRISE

Watch the Label on Your Paper As It Carries the Date When Your Subscription Expires

VOLUME XXXIII—NUMBER 73

Williamston, Martin County, North Carolina, Friday, November 7, 1930.

ESTABLISHED 1896

## SCHOOL MEN HOLD MEET IN OAK CITY

### Dr. George Howard Makes Address to Principals and Teachers

Meeting for the second time during the 1930-31 term, members of the Schoolmasters' Club of Martin County held a very successful session in Oak City last Wednesday evening with Professor H. M. Ainsley, of the school there, acting as host. The twenty teachers and four visitors present entered into lively and interesting discussions relative to school work and problems. Professor W. R. Watson, of the local schools, presided.

In a short address before the assembly, Dr. George Howard, of the University of North Carolina, and that carried on the State University. He especially emphasized the importance of adequate agricultural and domestic science training in the schools of the State and in Martin county in particular. Citing a few figures, the extension professor said that the states appropriating the most money for their schools are the most progressive ones in the Union, that money spent for education will later multiply itself many times.

Mr. J. W. Hines, Oak City school man, in a few brief remarks reviewed the history of the schools there and pointed to the progress made during the past few years. According to Mr. Hines, there were five one-teacher schools in the district when consolidation was brought about in 1920. Four years later, the high school was placed on standard list, class 2. In 1926, the elementary school was included in the standard list and is now in group A. Under Principal Ainsley's supervision, the library there has been increased from 300 to 1,500 volumes. The general educational work and moral uplift of the school and community have advanced greatly, Mr. Hines declared.

Continuing, Mr. Hines stated, "The teaching force is carefully selected and the morale a good. The school is organized so as to give the best service to the farmer and his child. Children are directed in all kinds of school activities for the educational benefit. Very little emphasis is placed upon athletics, because of waste of time and expensive work for the student; However, pupils, making good grades, are giving extra privileges."

"The child is the chief objective and the work prime object. Several of the high school graduates are holding good places and the majority is making good in colleges or teaching."

"Teachers are very cooperative in any school or community activity; therefore we feel we have one of the best schools in the County and we patrons are very proud of the work, and trust we will be able, under the depressed condition, to continue and add other branches as the school grows. We would like to have the commercial department added and the Home Economics department restored. Oak City and Community is 100 per cent for a good school."

## BAPTISTS MEET IN CAPITAL CITY

### Celebrate One Hundredth Anniversary Next Tuesday

The North Carolina State Baptist Convention will meet for the one hundredth time next Tuesday in Raleigh. This is to be a great gathering in celebration of the one hundredth anniversary.

As has been the custom for many years, the Convention proper is preceded by the meetings of the Minister's Conference of the Baptist church. The first session of these meetings will be called to order next Monday afternoon in the auditorium of the First Baptist Church, Raleigh. There will be an evening session and another session Tuesday morning. Following this the Convention proper will begin and run throughout Thursday.

The centennial session will be called to order by the President, Dr. J. Clyde Turner of Greensboro. It will be remembered by many here that this is the Dr. Turner who is coming to the Baptist church here sometimes near Easter next spring for a series of services.

North Carolina Baptists began a hundred years ago with a few churches scattered here and there throughout the state. The Convention was organized at Greenville and would have gone back there for this anniversary session had Greenville been large enough to entertain it. On that account the sessions are being held in Raleigh in the rooms of the First Baptist Church of which Dr. J. Powell Tucker is the pastor.

The pastor of the local Baptist church is planning to attend, and it is thought that a number of other local people will be in attendance at some of the sessions.

## Official Returns, By Precincts, Of Vote Cast In Martin County Last Tuesday

The following tables gives the vote, by precincts, cast last Tuesday for district and county officers in this county. State officers and judges, not listed here, all led the ticket by approximately 1600 majority, excepting Judge Sinclair who received a majority of 1539 over Downing.

	Jamesville	Williams	Griffins	Bear Grass	Williamston	Cross Roads	Robersonville	Gold Point	Poplar Point	Hamilton	Hassell	Goose Nest	Total
<b>For State Senators:</b>													
Elbert S. Peel	215	47	129	104	399	149	336	62	48	75	71	101	1736
Hallet S. Ward	198	45	120	96	370	144	329	62	48	75	70	97	1654
<b>Representative General Assembly</b>													
J. C. Smith	209	46	127	97	392	149	336	62	48	85	69	101	1721
<b>For Clerk Superior Court</b>													
R. J. Peel	216	45	130	109	400	149	337	62	48	74	71	101	1742
<b>For Register of Deeds</b>													
J. Sam Getzinger	218	46	129	108	401	149	338	62	48	75	71	101	1746
<b>For Sheriff</b>													
C. B. Robeck	218	46	130	110	400	149	337	62	48	76	71	105	1752
<b>For Treasurer</b>													
C. A. Harrison	215	47	129	107	393	149	337	62	48	74	70	102	1733
<b>For Judge Recorder's Court</b>													
J. W. Bailey	214	46	130	107	394	149	337	62	48	76	69	99	1731
<b>For Coroner</b>													
S. Rome Biggs	214	46	130	111	397	147	336	62	48	74	68	98	1731
<b>For County Commissioners:</b>													
Joshua L. Coltrain	214	46	130	102	393	147	333	62	48	75	69	99	1718
Van G. Taylor	212	45	130	103	391	148	336	62	48	75	69	99	1718
J. D. Woolard	213	45	130	103	397	148	334	62	48	75	69	99	1723
T. C. Griffin	213	46	130	103	395	147	335	62	48	75	69	98	1721
H. S. Everett	209	45	130	100	394	147	337	62	48	75	67	88	1702

## TOBACCO PRICE CONTINUES LOW

### Heavy Sales Expected Until About Christmas Holidays

Tobacco prices continue low on all markets in spite of the hopes of farmers, bankers, lawyers, doctors, and warehousemen. Practically everybody has given out hopes for good prices and are selling apparently as rapidly as they can grade and prepare for the market.

Sales on the local market have been heavier this week than for any previous week during the season. Already the sales are greater by 300,000 pounds than they were during the entire season last year. The average price this year has so far been \$3.88 lower than it was last year.

Farmers generally have been holding back their better grades, hoping for a raise in prices and hope to boost the average with them. The opinion prevails generally that sales will continue heavy almost up to the Christmas holidays.

## Recorder's Court Hears Three Cases Tuesday

After vacationing for several weeks, on account of illness, officers of the county court were at their posts of duty at the last Tuesday session and heard a few cases. It was election day, and eight of the eleven cases were continued.

Henry Jefferson was sentenced to the roads for a period of eight months when the court found him guilty of assaulting one of his race.

In the case charging J. S. Moore and Noah Andrews with an assault with a deadly weapon and being drunk and disorderly, Moore was found not guilty. Andrews was found guilty, the court sentencing him to the roads for a term of two years, the last eighteen months of the period to be suspended upon good behavior on the part of the defendant.

## Colored Farmers Hold Conference in Parnelle

Colored farmers of the county held a very successful conference at the Parnelle Training School, Parnelle, last Friday, according to a report coming from Professor Claudis Chance, of the school there. The State department of Vocational Agriculture was represented by Professor S. M. Simmons who addressed the conference on the importance of vocational training, stating that it was the race's greatest need. He urged those present to give their boys and girls the kind of training that would fit them for service and make them desirable citizens. Other prominent speakers were on the program for the day, and much good was accomplished, it was stated.

## Ninth Roanoke Fair A Complete Failure Here

The ninth annual Roanoke fair, promoted by outside interests, turned out to be a complete failure, ticket sellers abandoning the gate yesterday when receipts failed to exceed \$250. Many losses have been reported, and a few showmen are said to be stranded. Auto races, scheduled yesterday afternoon failed to materialize, and it was unofficially learned that the spectators were given their money back.

## How Martin County Voted On Proposed Amendments

The four proposed amendments to the State Constitution met with hard sledding in this county last Tuesday when each of them was defeated by substantial majorities. Number 4, or the Veterans Loan Bond, received a majority in two precincts, Jamesville and Williamston, but the vote there was not sufficient to carry the proposals.

As far as it could be learned today, all four of the proposed amendments were vigorously attacked at the polls last Tuesday.

No. 1—Amendment increasing the Supreme Court from five to seven members; No. 2. Amendments authorizing classification of property; No. 3. Amendment providing for Solicitorial Districts; No. 3. World War Veterans Loan Bonds, the vote on which in this county, by precincts, follows:

	No. 1	No. 2	No. 3	No. 4
	For Vs.	For Vs.	For Vs.	For Vs.
Jamesville	32 134	29 129	23 125	125 45
Williams	8 28	12 22	7 27	14 24
Griffins	1 70	6 57	6 58	22 48
Bear Grass	4 99	6 100	3 99	9 91
Williamston	66 272	93 238	114 187	198 154
Cross Roads	2 117	7 108	3 111	16 101
Robersonville	7 324	21 312	7 320	40 287
Gold Point	1 55	2 54	1 54	2 53
Poplar Point	3 41	3 41	3 41	3 41
Hamilton	10 58	13 55	16 41	18 48
Hassell	0 69	1 69	1 68	7 61
Goose Nest	2 98	10 89	4 93	13 89
	136 1365	203 1274	188 1224	467 1042

## LARGE VOTE IN THE TOWNSHIPS

### No Contests but Democrats Rally To Support The Several Nominees

Although there were no contests for the various offices in seven townships in this county, a good-sized vote was cast for the several Democratic nominees, the voters using the ticket apparently as a mere formality. The vote in the seven townships:

Jamesville: For road commissioners, Monroe Holliday, 210; H. L. Davis, 211; J. F. Martin, 212; For constable, J. Raleigh Manning, 210. Williams: For road commissioners, L. J. Hardison, 52; Major T. Gardner, 51; R. J. Hardison, 54; For justice of the peace, B. L. Gardner, 48. Griffins: For road commissioners, Benjamin F. Lilley, 127; J. Edward Corey, 128; Marvin Leggett, 128; N. T. Tice, 128; N. R. Peel, 128. Williamston: For road commissioners, S. C. Griffin, 392; Jno. B. Bowen, 382; W. L. Taylor, 389. Bear Grass: For road commissioners, John H. Roberson, 111; Claude Whitehurst, 111; B. O. Cowin, 111; R. L. Perry, 109; For justice of the peace, J. D. Wynne, 108. Hamilton: For constable, J. H. Edmondson, 112; J. B. Purvis, 57; for road commissioners, J. W. Eubanks, 142; W. S. Rhodes, 143; P. H. Davenport, 143. Goose Nest: For constable, G. D. Pearson, 90; For justice of the peace, J. F. Crisp, 74; Don Hyman was given one vote.

## MAKE CHANGE IN TRAIN SCHEDULE

### Morning Train Will Arrive Here About An Hour and Half Later

Beginning the first of next month the morning train of the Atlantic Coast Line pling between Rocky Mount and Plymouth will leave Plymouth an hour and one-half later than it does now, the train arriving here about 8:45 a. m. The new schedule will effect a considerable saving to the railroad as well as to the post office department. Under the law, railroad and postal employees are scheduled to work only eight hours a day, and if they work longer they are paid at a higher rate. According to official estimates, the proposed change will result in a saving of several hundred dollars on this branch road as well as on the other lines connecting certain eastern Carolina points. The change will make it more convenient for travelers, as the present schedule requires one to rise early in an effort to effect connections.

## No Plans for Observance Of Armistice Day Here

Armistice Day, next Tuesday, will be just another day as far as local citizens and business houses are concerned. No celebration has been planned, and business will continue as usual. As the day is not a national holiday, the postoffices will continue with regular hours and service. The tobacco market will hold its sales as usual, and the bank will not close for the observance of the day. Banks and business houses outside of Martin county, in a few instances, are planning to close, but as far as it could be learned, no elaborate celebration will be held in this section on that day.

## Services At Piney Grove Church and Farm Life

There will be services at the Piney Grove Baptist Church Saturday night at 7:30 o'clock and at Farm Life Sunday morning at 11 o'clock, it was announced by the pastor, Rev. W. B. Harrington yesterday.

## LET CONTRACT FOR COLORED SCHOOL HERE

### Thompson Construction Co Successful Bidder at \$26,348.80

At a meeting held here, the Martin County Board of Education yesterday afternoon awarded the contract for the construction of a new negro school building here, the Thompson Construction Company, Inc., of Rosemary, being the successful bidder at \$26,348.80. Fourteen bids were entered, the denomination ranging from the one entered by the Rosemary concern to as high as \$32,500.

The contract includes construction, lighting, heating and plumbing, but it is understood that the successful bidder is considering sub contracting the heating, lighting and plumbing.

Construction work will be started as soon as possible or as soon as materials can be placed on the four-acre tract of land near the Murray-McCabe Lumber mill on the Washington road, it was learned yesterday afternoon.

Contractors entering bids at the letting yesterday, include: L. Wheelton and Company, of Rosemary; S. S. Toler and Son, of Rocky Mount; D. J. Rose and Son, of Rocky Mount; C. C. Brown and Company Inc., of Sanford; J. W. Stout, Inc., of Sanford; J. N. Bryan and Son, of Raleigh; E. F. Taylor, of Goldsboro; W. A. Simon of Wilmington; Thompson Construction Company, of Rosemary; Jones Bros., of Wilson; R. G. Shipp of Goldsboro; John W. Hudson, Jr., of Raleigh; W. A. Underwood Company, of Wilmington, and Wadesboro Construction Company, of Wadesboro.

## HIGH SPOTS IN THE ELECTION

### Two Districts Fail To Cast Single Vote For the Republicans

The State and Nation had their high spots in the election, but coming down to Martin county, it took Poplar Point and Cross Roads to blank the Republicans. Not a single Republican vote was cast in either of the two precincts. Goose Nest followed closes, with only three Republican votes cast.

Sheriff C. B. Sinclair's vote in Griffins was abbreviated, the number being limited to about half of the normal one cast.

Three "dark horses" were out. But it is doubtful if Mr. M. D. Wilson knows that he received one Republican vote for a seat in Congress, and whether Mr. H. G. Horton knows that he was given one vote for representative in the State Legislature; and whether Mr. G. H. Harrison knows that he had three supporters for a position on the board of road commissioners for this township.

Hassell-precinct, established recently for the first election, reported a fair-sized vote, the township turning in the fourth largest vote in the county.

## Week's Program at the Local Baptist Church

The pastor will preach at both the morning and evening hours Sunday. There will be no midweek service, however, because the pastor plans to be attending the sessions of the Pastors' Conference and the sessions of the State Baptist Convention at Raleigh during that time. Sunday morning the Sunday school will meet at 9:45. Under the leadership of Bruce Wynne the school has been making progress and the people generally are encouraged to attend the sessions of the school.

The B. Y. P. U. work under the able leadership of Mr. L. L. Hallman has grown from two into three unions. These all meet Sunday evenings at 6:30 o'clock. The church has been having good attendance upon all its services recently and desires to render increasingly efficient service to the people who attend its meetings or are in any way dependent upon it.

## Presbyterians Announce Program of Services

Sunday November 9th 1930 "The Church With An Open Door" Church school 9:45 Worship service and sermon 11 a. m. Rev. M. O. Sommers of Chicago, Ill, a graduate student of Union Theological Seminary in Richmond, Va., will preach in this church Sunday morning.

The general public is invited to worship with us at this time.

Leggett's Farm Sunday School at 3:30 p. m. Join us in our study of the Word of God and join in the singing lead by Mr. Watts.

Bear Grass Services at 7 p. m. Rev. M. O. Sommers will preach here also. We hope to have Mr. Pope with us. Come and bring the children.

## 1838 Citizens Vote In County Tuesday

### Bailey - Pritchard Vote In The County

The Bailey-Pritchard vote in Martin County by precincts, follows, Bailey winning by a 1680 majority:

	Bailey	Pritchard
Jamesville	211	6
Williams	61	1
Griffins	128	1
Bear Grass	109	7
Williamston	391	19
Cross Roads	151	0
Robersonville	327	12
Gold Point	62	1
Poplar Point	48	0
Hamilton	70	4
Hassell	69	2
Goose Nest	109	3
	1736	56

## ESTABLISHES A BEAR RECORD

### Simon Roberson Kills Four Bruins In One Tree In Single Day

A bear-killing record that will probably have no challenge in this country was established by Simon Roberson, of the Farm Life section of this county last Wednesday when he killed four bears in one tree near his home. Perched in a tall tree, the four bruins were felled one at a time, Mr. Roberson declaring that he was not afraid at all, that only one shot was required to the animal.

The mother bear, was said to be unusually poor, but the three cubs, weighing about 50 pounds each, had apparently lived well.

The motherbear hardly etoincm It is doubtful if there is another man living in the United States who has ever killed four bears in one day. The report sounds similar to those on Daniel Boone, of pioneer fame.

## JURY SELECTED FOR NOVEMBER

### 36 Men Selected To Serve On Jury Here During Regular Court Term

Meeting in regular session here yesterday, the Martin County Commissioners selected 36 citizens to serve on the jury during the regular December term of Martin County Superior court. The court convenes on the second Monday in December and continues one week only, hearing both criminal and civil matters during the period. The list of citizens chosen for jury duty during the week, follows, by townships: Jamesville—D. D. Coburn and J. F. Martin.

Williams—John Gray Corey, Griffins—N. R. Daniel, J. C. Gurkin, George W. Hodges, John A. Hardison, J. A. Ellis, W. B. Harrington and Perlie Roberson. Bear Grass—J. E. Roberson, jr. and F. L. Roberson.

Williamston—M. D. Wilson, J. F. Savage, W. B. Watts and A. T. Perry. Cross Roads—C. P. Hopkins, Willie Ausbon, and J. R. Crawford. Hamilton—G. W. Ayers, J. L. Pritchard, P. C. Edmondson, Asa Johnson and L. F. Stokes. Goose Nest—A. L. Moye and J. T. Bennett.

Robersonville—C. A. Stokes, N. D. Matthews, J. W. Bailey, D. L. James, H. T. Highsmith, W. W. Taylor, C. T. Smith, L. H. Matthews, Joe E. Page, and R. E. Grimes.

## Sunday Services at The Local Episcopal Church

Church of the Advent-Williamston Sunday Services Sunday School at 10 a. m. Holy Communion and Sermon at 11 a. m. Young Peoples Service League at 7 p. m. You are invited to attend these Services.

## Local Fire Company Is Called Out Yesterday

The local fire company was called out yesterday afternoon when the automobile racer belonging to John Casey, of Philadelphia, caught fire on Main Street, three blocks from the business center. The young racer used diet freely and checked the flames before much damage resulted.

The members of the Ladies Missionary Society, of the local Methodist Church will give a Turkey Dinner, Thursday night November 13th, at the Woman's Club.

## RETURNS SHOW BAILEY WINNER BY BIG MARGIN

### Democrats Also Make Big Gains Throughout United States

Rallying to their party, 1,782 voters visited the several polling places in this county last Tuesday to pile up the largest vote ever cast in an election held in an "off year." There was no stimulus applied to the vote, but the response was marked as far as the Democrats were concerned, the Republicans recording only 56 votes to bring the total cast in the 12 Martin precincts to 1,838.

Locally speaking, the voting was done out of mere formality, there being no contests in any of the legislative, solicitorial, county or township offices. Interest centered around the Bailey-Pritchard race for the United States Senate, but even there all the interest favored Bailey. Then the amendments attracted really more attention than was really expected, a majority of the voters voting against them.

Although it was an "off-year" election, State and National Democrats made a strong advance into the Republican ranks last Tuesday to carry the State by a large majority and annex many seats in both the Senate and House of Representatives. Only in six counties of this State did the Republicans turn in a majority, while the Democrats rallied to poll one of the largest votes in an "off-year" that has ever been recorded in North Carolina. While all the precincts had not been heard from late yesterday, Josiah William Bailey's majority was expected to run around 125,000 over George M. Pritchard, the Republican nominee for the United States Senate.

The victories in North Carolina are without precedent, Mr. Bailey's vote outnumbering Senator Simmons' record of long standing. The lead last Tuesday, when all but six counties went into the Democratic fold, was described as the greatest since the Civil War. All ten North Carolina Congressmen are Democrats, Jonas leading the strong Ninth district and Jackson in the Tenth.

Upsets were many throughout the country, and the Hoover administration was literally shot to pieces at the ballot box last Tuesday. The returns indicate that the Democrats and insurgent Republicans can dominate the House and Senate. Henry J. Allen lost in the Kansas Senatorial race, that State going Democratic for the first time in years. Mrs. McCormick, in spite of a \$300,000 expenditure made in behalf of her candidacy, went down in defeat. Tom Heffin was ousted in Alabama, and surprises of all kinds favoring the Democrats were reported throughout the country.

The majority power in Congress is unusually close, the latest returns indicating that the Republicans are offering a strong defense in an effort to hold their own. The Republicans had a total of 47 Senators elected yesterday, two short of a clear majority with a few more sections to be heard from. The Democrats had 46. Returns on the four amendments to the North Carolina Constitution were coming in slow yesterday, but it is indicated by the few early returns received that two and more than likely all of them would be defeated.

## Biggs Farm Sold Today For Sum of \$17,000.00

The Biggs Farm, one mile from here on the Willeton road, was sold today to Lilley Brothers for \$17,000. The purchase, including 650 acres of farm land, was sold by the J. W. Ferrell Company, of Petersburg. A second tract sold by the auction company about seven miles from here brought \$1,800.

## Sunday Services at the Local Methodist Church

Dwight A. Petty, Pastor Sunday School at 9:45, Professor W. R. Watson, superintendent. Morning worship at 11. Sermon by the pastor on an Armistice Day theme. Evening service at 7:30. The public is invited to all services.

## Meeting of American