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## FINAL EXERCISES AT HIGH SCHOOL HERE THIS WEEK

### Larger Schools In County Will Hold Their Closing Exercises This Week

Final exercises Thursday and Friday of this week will mark the closing of several of the larger schools in this county.

These day exercises will be held in the local high school auditorium next Thursday evening at 8 o'clock, the tentative program, with the following officers in charge, having been announced this morning by Principal Wm. R. Watson:

Historian, Charles Manning; Prophet, Reginald Simpson; prophetess, Frances Bowen; Poetess, Edith Ayers Giftoian; Wheeler Manning; Attorney Edith Peel; salutatory, Reginald Simpson; valedictory, Edith Peel.

Although the actual closing of the school was unavoidably delayed until next Monday, the graduating exercises will be held Friday evening, May 8, when J. C. B. Ehringhaus, of Elizabeth City, delivers the principal address. The tentative program, announced this morning, is as follows:

Invocation and benediction, Rev. A. H. Marshall.

Class Gift, Charles Manning, president of the graduating class.

Address to graduates, Hon. J. C. B. Ehringhaus, of Elizabeth City.

Presentation of seventh grade certificates.

Delivery of certificates and diplomas to graduates, Wm. R. Watson, principal.

Announcements, C. A. Harrison, chairman of the school board.

Perfect attendance certificates will be awarded by classroom teachers on Monday, May 11, as this is the last day of school.

## SCHOOL CLOSING AT BEAR GRASS

### Will Hold Commencement Exercises Wednesday And Thursday

The Bear Grass School will end the 1930-31 session Friday of this week, when the last classes are held. Closing exercises have been arranged for Wednesday and Thursday nights, when the primary, grammar, and high school departments render individual programs.

Wednesday evening, the primary grades will appear in the operetta, "Magic Ginger Bread." The grammar grade pupils will present that night a black-face comedy, "Where's My Pants?" The high school grades will perform the play, "Eighteen Carat Boob," Thursday night. Certificates will be awarded that evening it was also announced.

## FORD CARAVAN TO STOP HERE

### Will Arrive Next Tuesday To Spend Afternoon And Night Here

Arrangements made yesterday by the Williamston Motor Company, local Ford dealers, with the Ford Motor Company, will bring a Ford caravan here Tuesday of next week, Mr. N. C. Green, manager, announced this morning.

The caravan, made up of twelve trucks, each of which is equipped with a particular body, will reach here at 1 o'clock in the afternoon and remain until the following morning. Demonstrations will be held at the motor company's garage on Washington Street, and it is understood that the caravan will parade the streets.

Four factory-trained mechanics accompany the trucks, and interesting demonstrations are assured interested parties.

### Notable Stop Here For A Brief Visit This Afternoon

Dr. D. W. Johnson, of Columbia University, Dr. Collier Cobb, of the University of North Carolina, Dr. Frank Leverett, of the University of Michigan, Dr. Frank Wright, of Denison University; and Drs. Merrill, of Michigan, and Cook, of the United States Geodetic Survey, were here for a brief visit this afternoon. They were en route to New Bern and Morehead City where they will study the sea shores.

### Two Local Negroes Are Arrested In Norfolk, Va.

Sheriff C. B. Roebuck and Officer Allsbrooks returned from Norfolk today where they went to issue a warrant against two local negroes, charged with seduction. The men were arrested along with two girls and a third man by Norfolk police yesterday morning.

## George Gardner Killed by Auto Near Here Saturday

### Run Down and Fatally Injured As He Walked Along Highway Edge, Near Sweeten Water Creek, By Old Model T Ford Driven by William Hopkins

George Gardner, approximately 55 years of age, was run down and fatally injured by an automobile driven by William Hopkins, near Sweeten Water Creek, two miles from here, on the Jamesville road, shortly before midnight last Saturday. Gardner died in a local doctor's office shortly after 2 o'clock Sunday morning. The man was injured badly about the head, and the bones in one of his legs were so badly mashed that they tore through the overall he was wearing.

Gardner, without means of transportation, started walking home from the Barnhill Filling Station, at the edge of town, accompanied by John Hoggard. It was said that he had been drinking, but, according to Hoggard, Gardner was not drunk. When they reached the Wilson farm, they saw the old Model T Ford, and Hoggard stepped off the pavement and Gardner drew over to the side of the pavement, it was pointed out by Hoggard. Hopkins stated that Gardner staggered

into the road in front of the car. The moon was shining very brightly, and according to those investigating the accident, a man could be easily seen a hundred yards away without the aid of a light.

Hopkins will be given a hearing before Justice of the Peace J. L. Hassell here tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock, it was learned this morning.

Several months ago, Hopkins ran his car into a mule and cart on the Coonie Creek bridge, knocking the mule over the bridge railing and injuring badly two of the cart occupants.

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TOWN ORDERS  
PROPERTY SALE

Advertise Delinquent List  
Next Friday; Sale To Be  
Made First of June

A series of automobile wrecks, resulting in one death and minor injury to several people, was reported in this immediate section over the weekend. A heavy property damage resulted from the six accidents reported, it was stated. In addition to the wrecks, several arrests were made as a result of reckless driving. Local and county officers and members of the State Highway Patrol made seven arrests Sunday in this section, one hit-and-run driver escaping arrest when he continued on his way.

Traveling toward Williamston about 1 o'clock Saturday morning, Eugene Price, accompanied by his brother, drove his new Chevrolet sedan into a drove of mules, killing one and injuring another. The car was traveling at a medium rate of speed when several mules dashed into the road in front of the car. The driver was unable to turn out and one of the team was picked up and lurled on top of the hood and top. Broken glass cut the driver and his brother about the face, but neither of them was seriously hurt. Damage to the car is estimated at \$100. Suit for \$300 damage has been entered against W. W. Hines, contractor and builder of the shoulders to that portion of Route 125 recently paved, owner of the mules.

Early Saturday evening, the Chevrolet coach driven by Mr. J. H. Pescham, of Wilmington, was struck by a truck loaded with fertilizer. Mr. Pescham, meeting the truck and trailer near the county home on Highway No. 90, stated that it was so large that he ran two of his wheels off the hard-surface and then failed to clear the trailer. The truck driver continued on his way, and Mr. John Bland, county home superintendent, failed in an attempt to take the truck and learn its driver and owner. Mr. Pescham was accompanied by his wife and daughter, all of Wilmington, and Miss Sessions, of Winton. None of them was badly hurt in the wreck, and the car damage was placed at \$40.

Friday evening, two cars, one driven by Edrow Smith and a second driven by Azariah Williams, crashed at the intersection of Haughton and Church Streets. Both cars were badly damaged, but the occupants escaped with little injury. The case was heard before Justice of the Peace J. L. Hassell here last night.

The pastor will be out of town at that hour and has asked Mr. Taylor to officiate in his absence.

This is not the first time Fred Taylor has conducted services in the church. A year ago, while the pastor was away, he held services two or three times, and his abilities as a public speaker were remarked upon by many.

A graduate of Wake Forest College, a teacher of the young men's Bible class, and a student of current events, young Mr. Taylor seems very much at home in public address.

It is predicted that many people will want to hear one of Martin County's own young men who functions so acceptably upon such occasions.

## COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETS MONDAY

### Arrange Special Meet for Election of County Superintendent

In session here yesterday, the Martin County Board of Education, Messrs. W. O. Griffin, chairman; J. A. Getsinger, J. Eason Lilley, J. T. Barnhill and Javan Rogers appointed members to four local committees arranged for the election of a superintendent, and handled routine duties.

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Large Congregation Joins  
Seniors To Hear Rev.  
Z. T. Piephoff

One of the most impressive of the series of commencement exercises in the local school was the one held last Sunday morning when Rev. Z. T. Piephoff, pastor of the Presbyterian church, delivered the annual sermon to the members of the senior class and a large number of the townspeople. Services scheduled in the several churches were suspended at the morning hour, and representatives of all the denominations gathered to worship with the seniors.

Rev. Mr. Piephoff made a very timely talk to the seniors, using for his topic, "They Went Out."

The climax to the closing exercises

will be reached next Friday evening when the Hon. J. C. B. Ehringhaus, of Elizabeth City, delivers the commencement address.

Dr. E. E. Gillespie Will  
Preach Here Sunday

By Rev. Z. T. PIEPHOFF

Dr. E. E. Gillespie, of Greensboro, N. C., is to preach in the local Presbyterian church Sunday.

Dr. Gillespie, who is pleasantly remembered as a strong, forceful, and pleasing minister, who two years ago held services beneath the Presbyterian tent and who last May 4th dedicated the Sunday school unit of the local Presbyterian plant, is to deliver the Mother's Day message in the Presbyterian church Sunday, May 10. While a busy man at all times with his executive work as Executive Secretary of Home Missions of the Presbyterian church in North Carolina, he has found time to leave his work behind and come into our midst for a stay of one week. Each night during the week of May 10-17 Dr. Gillespie will preach in the new Presbyterian chapel at Bear Grass.

Thousands of tickets have been given out by the following merchants or firms during the past few days,

Standard Service Station, J. A. Barnhill, manager; Standard Service Station, S. E. Pope, manager; J. Claud Leggett, J. O. Manning, Branch Banking and Trust Co., Bailey Drug Co., Norfolk Undersellers, B. S. Courtney, Young Mercantile Co., Citizens' Barbershop Harrison Bros. and Company, Margolis Brothers, Lindsay Ice Co., Harrison Oil Co., Ward's Market, Central Service Station, Paul Jones, manager; A. and P. Store, D. Pender, Murray and McCabe, Culpepper Hardware Co., John A. Manning, C. O. Moore and Co., Williamson Motor Co., Clark's Drug Store and Smoke Shop, W. D. Ambers Pressing Club, Williamson Supply Company, Farmers Supply Company, and Gold Star Store.

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Young Son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Bailey Dies Sunday

Bonner Bailey, 12 years old, died at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Bailey in Bear Grass Sunday afternoon of pneumonia. Burial, the seventh grade exercises will be held.

The funeral services were conducted from the home yesterday afternoon at 4:30 o'clock by Rev. Z. T. Piephoff, Presbyterian minister. Burial

the seventh grade exercises will be held.

The only conflict presents itself next Friday evening when a minister comes to town when the seniors are scheduled to complete their local education.

Three brothers and one sister with their parents, survive.

WOMEN TO MEET  
AT GREENVILLE

Expect Goodly Number To  
Attend District Meet  
From Martin

By Miss LORA E. SLEEPER

The home demonstration clubs of Beaufort, Pitt, Washington, Martin, and Tyrrell Counties will assemble in the Woman's Club room at Greenville tomorrow morning at 10:30 to hold their second district meeting. All home demonstration club members should plan to be there. Each woman has been asked to carry only one thing but enough for four. The lunches will be spread on tables which the women of Pitt County will have charge of.

A very interesting program has

been worked out by the women in

charge of the meeting. The program will center around music, since the

meeting comes during National Music Week.

colored men were arrested late Sunday by Officer Allsbrooks in connection with reckless driving.

As far as it could be learned there

were more wrecks and drunken drivers on the roads in this immediate section

over the week-end than at any previous time.

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