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SECOND MONTH HONOR ROLL FOR LOCAL SCHOOLS

118 Meet All Scholastic and Attendance Requirements During Past Month

The names of 118 pupils in the local schools appear on the honor roll for the third month, recently ended. It was announced this week by Principal William R. Watson. These pupils met all scholastic and attendance requirements to have their names appear on the roll, as follows:

Grade One A: Jim Critcher, Henry Mizelle, Robert Jones, Franklin Lilley, Jimmy Leggette, Jimmie Manning, Benny Weaver, Betty R. Gurganus, Patsy King, Mary O'Neil Pope, Mildred Biggs, Evelyn Griffin, Madeline Taylor, Mary Warren, Dorothy Watson.

Grade 1-B: Sam Moore, Noah Nicholson, Nannie Manning.

Grade 2-A: Anne Fowden, Bina Jackson, Mary C. Godwin, Dolly Godard, Sibyl Roberson, Betty Hoard, Elizabeth Parker, Mary L. Manning, Mildred Moore, Kathleen Nicholson, William Lilley, S. C. Griffin, Reginald Griffin, Haywood Rogers, Jr.

Grade 2-B: Sallie Griffin, Grace Manning, David Harrison.

Grade 3-A: Martin Anderson, Arthur Anderson, Stuart Critcher, Jerry Manning, Emory McCabe, Joseph Thiipen, Jimmie Watts, Nancy Biggs, Eleanor Brown, Nina Bland, Marjorie Duna, Katherine Manning, Frances White.

Grade 3-B: Kathleen Andrews, Virginia Dare Perry, Beatrice Helm.

Grade 4-A: Sallie G. Gurkin, Margaret Jones, Rachel Keel, Louise Melson, Doris Moore, Pearl Roberson, Eleanor Taylor, Julia Watts, Reid White, Virgil Ward, Bob Everett, Jr., Jerry Clarke, Bill Ballard, Jack Edmondson, Gordon Manning, James W. Ward, Dick Dunn.

Grade 4-B: Ellen Coburn, Dixie Daniels, Delcie F. Godard, Mary E. Leggette, Mary L. Bland, View Nicholson.

Grade 5-A: Reg Manning, John Ward, Jr., Grace Barnhill, Thelma Griffin, Iola Griffin, Nora Grimes, Ruth Shepard, Cottie M. Wynne.

Grade 5-B: James Mendenhall.

Grade 6-A: Julia Everett, Addie L. Meador, Charles Dickey, Whit Purvis, C. T. Roberson, E. G. Wynne.

Grade 6-B: None.

Grade 7-A: Howard Cone, Milton James, Ben Manning, Clayton Moore, Dessal Simpson, Ellis Wynne, Edna Ballard, Robert Cowen, Frances Cox, Allie Harrison, Marie Griffin, Ruby Harrison, Evelyn Lilley, Kathleen Price Myrtle Price, Jessie B. Swain, Doris Teel, Jean Watts, Gwen Watts, Joe Throver.

Grade 7-B: None.

Grade 8-A: None.

Grade 8-B: Mary Belle Edmondson, Eula Green, Alice Harrison, Grace Manning.

Grade 9: Jessie Mae Anderson, Olive McCabe.

Grade 10: Russell Roebuck, Jennie Green Taylor.

Grade 11: Pearl Griffin.

HONOR ROLL AT FARM LIFE

Total of Forty-Five Pupils On List for Second Month

The Farm Life School established a new record during the second month, recently ended, when 45 children met the requirements to have their names appear on the honor roll for that period, as follows:

First grade: Elizabeth Manning, Evelyn Harrison, Nellie Fay Lilley, Lola Harrison, Martha Atha Roberson, Allie Marie Harrison, E. H. Manning, B. F. Lilley, Alton Fay Peel, Carlisle Manning, Clifton Wiggins.

Second grade: Lalo Smithwick, Chlois Harrison, Cleo Roberson, Harry Peel, Robert C. Whitley, Cecil Brown, Jesse Roberson.

Third grade: Lavaughn Harrison, Elbert Heath, Oscar Wiggins, Herbert Leslie Manning.

Fourth grade: Ola Lee Lilley, Virgie Lilley, William Lilley.

Fifth grade: Sarah Getzinger, Verna Smithwick, Joseph Peel, Noah Harrison.

Sixth grade: Mamie Clyde Manning, Erla Ruth Corey.

Seventh grade: Jay Daniel, Jim Peel, Albert Wilson Lilley, Hugh B. Griffin.

Eighth grade: Leona Griffin, Sarah Roberson, Beulah Roberson, Carrie Dell Griffin, Verna Griffin, Daisy Roberson, Thelma Clyde Coltrain.

Tenth grade: Verna Roberson, Eva Brown Coltrain, Mildred Roberson.

Craven Man Buys 37 Head of Feeder Steers

R. S. Francisco, of Craven County, purchased 37 head of feeder steers in Haywood County last week for 5 1-4 cents a pound.

207 Hogs Killed for J. G. Staton During Past Week

One of the largest hog-killing ever reported in this section, took place last week, when Mr. James G. Staton, local farm owner, killed 207 porkers and packed approximately 35,000 pounds of meat in his smokehouses here.

Going into Griffins Township, where hog-killing experts live, Mr. Staton employed several of the best men there, and they, captained by Louis Roberson, took charge.

OPEN AT NIGHTS

To better serve their patrons, local stores will remain open at night all this week until Christmas. Hundreds of bargains ideal for Christmas gifts are being rapidly, and shoppers will find it to their advantage to buy now.

Local auto owners will greatly relieve parking congestion during the next few days if they will leave their cars at home as much as possible until after Christmas.

COUNTY GETS \$505.33 FROM STATE BOARD

Represents State's Share of Cost of Supervision in Rural Schools

Martin County this week received \$505.33 from the State Equalization Board as its share of the supervisors' fund.

The money received here is part of an allotment made recently when the State Board of Equalization approved the allowance of \$37,725.18 for participation in the cost of supervision in the rural schools of 45 counties. The money will go to pay one-third the cost of rural school supervision in these counties.

This is the third year in which the State has been assisting the counties pay the cost of their rural supervision in the belief that better supervision of teachers means better instructional service to the children and hence better taught, according to LeRoy Martin, executive secretary of the Board of Equalization. Prior to 1929 the counties that had rural supervision paid the entire cost themselves. But the 1929 legislature, in passing the Hancock bill, provided that the Board of Equalization should thereafter appropriate sufficient money from the equalization fund to pay one-third the cost of supervision in any or all counties that would pay two-thirds of the cost. This provision was retained in the 1931 school law.

Inmate Died at County Home Sunday Morning

Edward Lawrence, 61 years old, died at the county home early Sunday morning and was buried in the county cemetery Monday morning at 10:30 o'clock. Rev. Charles H. Dickey, of the Baptist church, conducting the last rites.

Suffering heart disease, Mr. Lawrence entered the home about two months ago from Goose Nest Township. His condition gradually became worse, the heart completely breaking down early Sunday morning.

He was the son of a doctor who practiced medicine in this county a number of years ago, it is said. He is survived by his wife and two children.

Play To Be Presented At Jamesville Tuesday

The seniors of the Jamesville school, under the direction of Miss Annie V. Horner, teacher in the schools there, are presenting tonight (Tuesday), "Henpecked," a farce comedy in three acts. A strong cast of characters has been chosen for the play, and several chorus girls will feature the program.

The play first opens in Hiram Fish's (Mack Ange) farmhouse and is continued in the village carnival grounds. Starting at 8 o'clock, the play will be staged in the Jamesville school auditorium.

BLIZZARD HERE

A blizzard struck here last week; not a snow storm, but a traveling salesman out of Baltimore, calling on his regular trade. This section has experienced a warm fall. Mr. Blizzard's name and his visit here being the only things that have suggested cold weather.

"And he wasn't a cold-looking man, either; in fact, he looked like a 'hot papa,'" a young lady was heard to have remarked following Mr. Blizzard's departure.

Pitt County Curb Market Is Showing Rapid Growth

Sales at the Pitt County curb market for the first week in December last year amounted to \$59.89. This year, for the same week, the sales amounted to \$114.44.

CHRISTMAS TREE PROGRAMS TAKE PLACE THIS WEEK

Church and Sunday School Entertainments Are Scheduled

Gradually has the Christmas season come into its own this year, quietness surrounding the pre-event in its every phase.

Business has been carried on without any great rush, and up until the latter part of last week, mail handlings were very small.

Church and Sunday school activities are taking the center of the entertainment stage this week. With a White Gift Christmas service, the Baptist church featured the first of the Christmas programs last Sunday afternoon. A choir of 23 little folks and young people sang Christmas songs, and the several classes offered numerous gifts for distribution to the needy, the entire service being a very impressive one.

Tuesday night, at 7:45, the Presbyterian Sunday school is entertaining its little members with a tree in the church auditorium. A short program and the awarding of gifts around a decorated tree will feature the program.

Wednesday evening at 7:30, the junior members of the Methodist church will take part in a Christmas program in the church auditorium. A Christmas tree has been decorated, and the little folks are looking forward to a merry time there.

Junior members of the Baptist church were favored with little gifts last Sunday morning, the White Gift Service Sunday afternoon featuring that church's Christmas program.

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LEAF TOBACCO EXPORTS OFF 11 PER CENT

Shipments To England Are Off, While China Is Buying More

Exports of leaf tobacco from the United States during the first ten months of 1931 registered a decline of 11 per cent from the corresponding period of 1930, but were within 4 per cent of the total for the 1929 period, according to the Commerce Department's Tobacco Division.

The total for the current year's period was 409,000,000 pounds, in comparison with 460,000,000 in 1930, and 427,000,000 in 1929.

Export value, reflecting price trends in foreign markets, registered sharper declines than the export volumes. Total leaf exports in 1931 were valued at \$83,503,000, a decline of 24 per cent, compared with the first ten months of 1930 and 23 per cent compared with a similar period of 1929. Although there were actual price increases on certain types, the export price trend on the whole was downward, the average for all leaf in 1931 reaching only 20.4 cents a pound, compared with 23.9 cents in 1930 and 25.3 cents in 1929.

Maryland and Ohio export and Green River were exported during the period under review for 30 cents and 27.1 cents per pound, respective price increases of 7.1 cents and 2.8 cents, compared with 1930 prices. There was also an increase in the export price of stems, trimmings, and scrap, large amounts of which have been utilized in foreign cigarette industries for the manufacture of cheap cigarettes.

Exports of flue-cured tobacco from January to October of 1931 amounted to 290,562,000 pounds, valued at \$64,479,000, a decrease of 3.5 per cent in quantity and 21.6 per cent in value, compared with last year. The United Kingdom and China are the principal foreign markets for flue-cured tobacco and shipments to the United Kingdom during the current year has decreased by 26,000,000 pounds, compared with 1930, while shipments to China have increased by 16,000,000 pounds. Trade observers have experienced the opinion that both these countries have a potential market for much more American tobacco before the year ends.

LARGE FAMILIES

North Carolina not only has the highest birth rate of all the states, a position which she has held for many years, but she has the largest average-size families. For the United States the average family contains 4.1 persons. For North Carolina the average is 4.8 persons per family. South Carolina ranks next to North Carolina with 4.7 persons per family, and only three other states are above 4.5 persons per family.

The birth rate is declining in North Carolina, and so is the average size of the family, but they are declining less than for the nation as a whole.

North Carolina raises children, and there is no finer crop—University News-Letter.

Percentage of Individual Taxes Paid Is Larger Than Year Ago

REGULAR MEET WOMANS CLUB IS HELD THURSDAY

Ninth Grade of Local High School Stages Pageant As Part of Program

The Woman's Club held its December meeting on Thursday with Mrs. Elbert S. Peel, vice president, presiding in the absence of the president, Mrs. Myrtle Brown.

The meeting was called to order, and minutes approved of the previous meeting and a meeting of the executive committee, which had voted to give the school library \$5 when the school has a benefit party for that purpose.

Committee reports were made and the treasurer, Mrs. J. G. Staton, made a report, which is given below because it is a fair example of the work the club is doing each month:

(November 25, to December 17, 1931)

Receipts
Balance in treasury, November 25, 1931, \$83.03; dance, November 27, Mrs. J. R. Everett, chairman, \$3.50; Kiwanis luncheon, December 2, 1931, Mrs. W. C. Manning, sr., chairman, \$4.67; rental of club rooms, Methodist ladies, \$5; Mrs. L. B. Harrison, for welfare work, \$38.75; Kiwanis luncheon, Mrs. Geo. Harrison, chairman, December 16, \$5; Total receipts, \$139.95.

Disbursements
V. S. Sellers, piano repairs, \$15; Carolina Telephone & Telegraph Co., rent for December, 1931, \$3; Virginia Electric and Power Co., lights, \$1.62; Mrs. L. B. Harrison, chairman, for welfare work, \$43.32; Total disbursements, \$69.94.

Balance in treasury, December 17, 1931, \$78.63.

Under the item "Receipts," Mrs. L. B. Harrison, for welfare work, credit should be given those who put on the square dance for the benefit of the work in this department. It was also reported that Mr. V. J. Spivey had donated \$10 to be used in the welfare work which had not been received by the treasurer in time for her report.

Mrs. Staton, chairman of the American Citizenship Department, made a report on work done along that line, which was very interesting and instructive.

Mrs. Clayton Moore, chairman of the garden club, asked that all who wanted to join the club would please let her have their names at once so that a complete organization be made before the first meeting in February.

Mrs. W. K. Parker, of the program committee, took charge of the meeting. The ninth grade of the high school gave a pretty Christmas pageant. They were accompanied by Miss Overton. Little Miss Ella Critcher and Ben Manning rendered a pretty piano duet, and Mrs. James C. Manning, accompanied by Mrs. W. C. Manning, jr., concluded the program with a vocal solo.

Christmas Opportunities Are Readily Taken Here

The six charity opportunities advertised last Friday were readily taken, but with a wintry wind arising late Sunday, and with the calendar winter coming in Tuesday at 2:30, the number of cases is said to be increasing rapidly.

Charitable activities are under way on a large scale in this community at this time, and it is the earnest hope of those in-charge that every case can be cared for before Christmas Day.

Map of Martin County Soil Are Ready for Distribution

Washington, D. C., Dec. 21.—Congressman Lindsay Warren announced today that the soil survey of Martin County was now available, and that he would be pleased to mail one to any citizen of the county who might desire it. Mr. Warren secured the approval of the Bureau of Soils for a survey of Martin County four years ago, and since that time the work has been in preparation. He regards it as a very accurate and important document.

Davidson 4-H Members Plant 3,400 Walnut Trees

One hundred and thirty-six 4-H club members of Davidson County have planted 3,400 black walnut seedling trees.

Limestone and Lespedeza Increase Yields of Corn

Limestone and lespedeza are responsible for corn yields averaging from 40 to 58 bushels an acre in Person County.

2 Shopping Days Before Christmas

Last call! Think of it—just two more days before Christmas, the day of days. In the last-minute rush, don't forget your home merchants. They'll appreciate your patronage, and every purchase made at home makes for more happiness and prosperity at home.

COLORED FOLKS ORGANIZE FOR HELPING NEEDY

Charity Committee Expects To Do Much Work This Winter

Coming to the aid of their own people, colored citizens here are now doing a splendid work in offering aid to their needy. Several weeks ago, an organization was perfected in connection with the Governor's State-wide relief program. Headed in this community by Professor E. J. Hayes, the organization is doing all in its power to aid the less fortunate.

In further aiding the relief program, the colored high school presented a little playlet, "Seekers After Christmas," in the new auditorium last Sunday afternoon before a capacity house. The program, well presented and much enjoyed, carried out the idea that it is better to give than to receive. The connection of the play with the colored charity committee work was very timely and appropriate. Several Christmas songs were sung by the glee club and short talks were made by Messrs. R. J. Peel and James C. Manning, in which they urged the necessity of organization and cooperation of the people at large with the committee in the furtherance of relief work.

A substantial support is promised, and the colored charity committee is preparing to do a good work in the local field this winter.

FOWDEN'S CAR STOLEN AGAIN

Had Not Been Recovered Up To Noon Monday; Stolen Last Week

A thief, or thieves, stole Mr. L. T. Fowden's car one night last week, and at noon Monday, the machine, a Ford coupe, had not been recovered. The car, parked in front of Mr. Fowden's home on Church Street, was stolen during the night.

The same car was stolen from in front of Mr. Fowden's home several weeks ago and later found in Selma.

Down in Florida, one county is said to have run a regular bus to carry tramps out of its borders. Mr. Fowden is furnishing a lot of transportation for thieves in this section.

Negro Gets \$1,510 Verdict In Damage Suit Friday

George Miles, Goose Nest colored man, was awarded \$1,510 by a jury in superior court here last Friday for injuries received in an automobile accident. The suit, the last heard by Judge Devin during the one-week term of superior court, was against J. K. McKiver, salesman, and his insurance company.

County Farm Land Is Valued at \$45.64 Acre

Martin County farm lands rank forty-fourth in the list of counties in the State, the lands being valued at \$45.64 an acre. The average value per farm is given at \$2,928.

The average acreage value in Edgecombe is \$54.75; in Pitt, \$77.78; in Bertie, \$41.38; and in Halifax, \$41.91.

LAND OF PLENTY

A bountiful corn crop this year proved a bit costly for Mr. Lon Rogers, well-known farmer living near the Washington highway in Bear Grass Township. Storing one of his largest corn crops in his crib, Mr. Rogers had no idea it would break down. And neither did three of his finest hogs have any idea it would break down. Last week the barn crashed through, killing the three pigs, weighing around 600 pounds.

It was impossible to save the meat.

CORPORATIONS SLOWER TO PAY THAN USUAL

\$23,198 of \$233,271.36 Levy Had Been Paid Up To Saturday

Martin County taxpayers are, certainly rallying to the support of their government, their institutions and debt policy. A greater percentage of tax money had been paid in up until last Saturday on the 1931 levy than had been paid in for a like period on the 1930 levy, it was learned from the county offices this week.

The corporations have not been as prompt this year in paying their accounts as they generally are, only one, the Carolina Telephone and Telegraph Company, having effected settlement. The others are expected to follow suit within the next few weeks, or certainly before the penalty goes into effect early in February.

Individual taxpayers up until last Saturday afternoon had paid in around \$23,198 of the \$233,271.36 levy for the year 1931.

Payments have been made rather slowly during the past few days, Christmas shopping and the payment period apparently accounting for the inactivity in the collection department.

PENNSYLVANIA FINDS IT HAS TOO MANY DEER

200,000 Hunters Started the Hunt In That State Last Week

Bagging a deer or two every now and then, Martin County hunters have been very well pleased with their catches this season, but what would they say if they were hunting in Pennsylvania, where there are millions of deer?

Last week, the opening of the season there, approximately 200,000 hunters are said to have purchased hunting licenses and started a hunt for both does and bucks.

"Time," a weekly news magazine, has the following to say in connection with the game situation in Pennsylvania:

"First State to start restocking its forests with game was Pennsylvania, which in 1906 bought from Michigan 50 deer, added more in subsequent years. A system of State-owned refuges was developed, each refuge surrounded by an area on which hunting could be regulated by State law. Under this protection Pennsylvania's deer multiplied rapidly. Last week, with 80,000 acres of refuges, 1,800,000 acres of hunting ground, and a herd estimated at 1,000,000, Pennsylvania had several hundred thousand deer too many.

"Pennsylvania's game commissioner, Dr. T. E. Winecoff, wrote about it in 'American Game.' An annual kill of 20,000 to 25,000 deer, he said, 'cannot be missed in this State. The deer herd now far exceeds the carrying power of its wild range, and—forced by hunger—they have become appallingly destructive to crops, orchards, and the 'plantations' of young seedling trees set out by the Department of Forests and Waters for reforestation. And even after all their depredations on crops and orchards, large numbers of them, especially fawns, die every winter of starvation. . . . To increase game beyond the feeding possibilities of an area may not only result in . . . destruction of the game . . . but also . . . destruction for years to come of all possibilities of game restoration."

Ten Names On Honor Roll Macedonia School

Ten names appear on the Macedonia honor roll for the last month, recently ended, and reported by Miss Irene Tetterton, teacher, as follows:

First grade: Bob Coltrain, Audrey Coltrain, Sybil Peel, Susie Revels.

Second grade: Charles Coltrain, Hattie Griffin Ward.

Fourth grade: J. D. Ausborne, Mary Revels.

Fifth grade: Jesse Griffin, Mildred Ward.

Winter Solstice Tuesday Afternoon at 2:30 O'clock

With the sun rising at 7:15 and setting at 4:41, Tuesday is the shortest day of the year, coming at just the time when there are so many things to be done. Old man winter makes his appearance, officially, at 2:30 the same day.