

## GROSS LEWDNESS IS UNCOVERED IN ONE TOWNSHIP

### People in Prfts of Griffins and Jamesville All Agog Over Low Practices

People in the northern part of Griffins and a few in Jamesville Township were all agog recently when immorality to its lowest stage was reported there.

Attention of welfare and county officers were directed to a home where the mother and her 13-year-old daughter are said to have violated all the laws of decency in their association with men of all rank and file.

Many rumors have been circulated connecting so-called prominent men of the two districts with the lewd practices reported there. Officers investigating the case withheld all names, but it was reliably reported that several of the men, stooping so low they could walk under a bull frog with a beaver hat on, were suffering ill-effects from the degrading and illicit associations with the mother and her little girl.

When questioned late last Saturday night by officers, the mother denied the charges, and stated the rumors were not true. The little girl, well developed for her tender age, was seen late Saturday night with three men and a small boy along the Washington and Jamesville Road, but she could not be found when the welfare officer ordered her taken into custody preparatory to her removal to a correctional institution.

As an outgrowth of the "stink", Arthur Lilley, middle age farmer of the community is said to have brutally treated his wife when she warned him to stay away from the mother and daughter. Lilley was in the girl's company at the home of Joe Godard, a farmer of that community, when his wife went there to interrupt a party and when he is said to have pushed her out of the house and beat her. Lilley was arrested about 1 o'clock Sunday morning and is being given a hearing before Judge Bailey in recorder's court here today.

Janie Moore, the wayward girl was taken into custody yesterday afternoon and is being held in jail here awaiting her removal to Samaritan. She told officers that she was planning to marry Godard, a man 35 years or probably older, this week, but that if she had the opportunity she much preferred to go to school. It was very evident that the girl, the victim of man's baseness, had never had one opportunity to succeed in life.

With Lilley in jail, the girl on her way to the correctional institution, and with the girl's associates now suffering ill effects, apparently justice is being administered rapidly in the case of a few parties, at least.

## STORY TELLING CLUB FORMED

### Misses Bessye Harrell and Velma Harrison To Be In Charge of School

A Junior Shakespeare Story Telling club organized by a national organization with Misses Bessye Harrell and Velma Harrison in charge of the local group, will hold its first class in the grammar school building here next Monday morning at 9 o'clock. More than 20 pupils have already planned to enroll for the six-weeks course and more are expected to enter before next Monday, it was said.

The club is educational in purpose and is designed to acquaint every grade school child with the works of the famous bard and in such a way that it will appear like play to them. At the same time, it prepares them for high school English studies while those who are not fortunate enough to advance beyond the grades will have a working knowledge of the classics.

Prizes will be offered at various stages of the competitions and diplomas will be awarded each child who has finished the prescribed course.

The grand finale will be a Shakespearean evening or pageant or program having the children portray the characters.

## Making Preparations To Forclose Tax Accounts

Nearly 300 tax accounts will be foreclosed in this county within the next few days for the tax year 1929, it was learned yesterday from County Attorney E. S. Peel. Unless the taxes and costs are paid within six months after the foreclosure suits are brought, judgments will be obtained and the properties affected will be offered for sale, it is understood.

The approximately 300 accounts represent unpaid taxes amounting to about \$10,000, it was estimated. The foreclosures have been postponed to the limit, it was explained, and there is no other course to follow except call for judgments through the courts.

## Registration Books To Close Saturday; Few Names Added

Comparatively few citizens have registered for the coming primary and general election, according to reports received here from several of the registrars yesterday.

Registrar Luther Peel for this township, reported more than 50 new names had been put on the books since they were opened a few weeks ago. He did not look for many more additional names. The books will close next Saturday at 9 p. m., and those who are above the 21-year age limit and who would vote in the primary the 4th of next month will find it necessary to register with their respective precinct registrars before that time. Saturday after next is challenge day, when any name illegally entered can be investigated and ordered removed by the election officials if proper cause supporting such action is advanced.

## ROSTER OF ALL WAR VETERANS AIM OF LEGION

### Veterans Urged to Forward Their Names to W. E. Dunn, Adjutant

An important request was made this week by the adjutant of the John Walton Hassell Post, American Legion, urging all World War veterans to forward their names to him at Williamston that a complete roster might be had and recorded. All veterans are earnestly asked to submit their own names and the company in which they served, and the names of any other Martin County boys serving in the last war.

The importance of getting all World War Veterans' names pointed out by Mr. W. E. Dunn, adjutant, when he said that many Confederate veterans could never obtain pensions or aid from the State because no record of their names had ever been properly recorded.

During the past ten or twelve years, Clerk of Court R. J. Peel has studied from time to time the complete roster of old Confederate soldiers in an effort to establish the right to a pension. Some he found, and others he could not find, and in those cases where the companies could not be established, it was difficult to include the name of the applicant in the pension list. Many widows of Confederate veterans, deserving of aid from the State, have never received a penny because the proper records could not be established.

No records are available here showing how many Martin County boys were in the service during the great war, and while that in itself is not so important, the recorded information might be of marked value in later years. Forward your name, service record, and state what company you were in during the war at once. There is nothing to be lost, and it might be that you or your relatives will gain.

## Aged Bertie Man Hurt By Hit and Run Driver

Jack Todd, 84-years-old, was seriously hurt this morning when he was struck by a hit and run driver on the Aulander road, about one-half mile out of Windsor. No arrests had been made at one o'clock this afternoon, but according to Patrolman Braswell who was called to the scene, an investigation is now underway and it is hoped that the merciless driver will be taken within a short time.

According to information reaching here, Mr. Todd was found in an unconscious state beside the road with a hole knocked in his head about the size of a silver dollar.

Reports received from the doctor's office in Windsor where the victim was carried, stated that recovery was very doubtful.

## Attempted Robbery of Meat Market Saturday

The life of Andrew Everett, aged colored man and an employee in the South Side Market, on the Jamesville road, was threatened early last Saturday night, according to a story told by Albert Wilson, young colored boy, who claims to have saved the old man from harm.

A negro whose identity could not be established went to the rear door of the market house and tore open the screen door and knocked. With his axe drawn, the man waited for Everett to stick his head out the door. About that time the Wilson boy, coming down Hatton lane, saw the man and called a warning to Everett. The negro ran and made his escape, leaving Everett wondering whether he was about to be murdered or robbed a few minutes before.

## Episcopalians Close Series of Successful Services Here

The series of services beginning Monday night of last week was brought to a successful close in the Church of the Advent here last Sunday evening. Rev. W. A. Lilley, visiting minister, was enjoyed in each of his services, and he endeared himself here with his splendid talks.

## JAMES N. COOPER SUICIDE SUNDAY; HEALTH IS CAUSE

### Jamesville Township Man Blows Top of Head Off With Shot Gun

James N. Cooper, farmer of Jamesville Township, ended his life at his home there last Sunday at 6:30 p. m., by blowing the top of his head off with a shot gun, ill health being mentioned as one of the main causes for the tragedy. Mr. Cooper, a recognized leader in his community, had warned the members of his family of his plan to end his life, but the threats were not taken seriously.

Taking his gun unnoticed from its stand in the home, Mr. Cooper went to his hog pen, a short distance away. He placed the barrel in the middle of the forehead and fired the shot that snuffed out his life instantly. No one saw the act, but his children, hearing the shot, ran to him and found him dead.

Mr. Cooper, 49 years old, had suffered with pellagra for some time, and while he often discussed the unfavorable economic conditions he is said to have worried more about his health. He was the son of the late J. H. Cooper and wife, Annie Everett Cooper, and had lived in the Angetown section of the county all his life. His wife died several years ago, leaving six children, Claudius, Bettie, Tommie, Nora, John Henry and Bennie Cooper. He also leaves one brother, G. L. Cooper, and one sister, Mrs. Hattie Mizelle.

Funeral services were held from the home yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock by Rev. D. W. Arnold. Interment followed in the Cooper family burial ground near the home.

A carload of new Chevrolet automobiles was unloaded here yesterday by the Gro-More Transfer Company and placed on display in its spacious show room on Washington Street. The various types of cars are included in the list, each one representing the latest in Chevrolet manufacture.

The Messrs. Everett are extending a cordial invitation to all to visit their show room and view the new display of cars and trucks.

## Stolen Car Recovered on Streets Here Early Sunday

A Chevrolet cabriolet stolen from its owner, J. B. Phoams, Roxboro merchant, was recovered here Sunday morning by Patrolman Russell Braswell and local officers. The rogue, one white and the other one colored, are said to have vacated the car on Watts Street early Sunday morning before the theft was discovered here. No arrests have been made, but the car and a quantity of stolen goods found in it are being held in storage here awaiting the owner.

The two men were seen here with the car as early as 2 o'clock that morning, but unacquainted with the details the officers did not make an arrest. When the car was found vacated later with a quantity of canned goods, snuff, shoes, overalls, cloth, and a 22 caliber rifle, officers placed it in storage.

## C. S. Ausbon Fatally Hurt When He Fell Down Steps

Clarence S. Ausbon, a Norfolk news paper man, formerly of Plymouth, where he operated the Roanoke Beacon with his father, Clerk of Court C. V. W. Ausbon, died in a hospital in the Virginia city Sunday morning of injuries received in a fall at his apartment the night before. Ausbon, 39 years old, was walking up the stairs to his apartment, and when he reached the top he apparently lost his balance and fell, striking his head at the base of the skull on the concrete below.

Services were held in Plymouth, yesterday afternoon, interment following in a cemetery there.

His wife, Mrs. Imogene Hix Ausbon, sister of Mr. D. N. Hix, of Everetts and Williamston, and a small son survive.

## 2,000 See Cut-Away Ford at Motor Company Saturday

Approximately 2,000 people witnessed the special Ford showing in the Williamston Motor Company show room here last Saturday, the cutaway chassis proving to be of great interest to all. With every part of the machine, even to the tires, cut away to make vision possible inside and out, the on-lookers were amazed to see the parts in action. A small motor turned all the working parts, showing how the twin cylinders performed and how the gears shifted. Electric welding on the bodies attracted much attention, as it was impossible to detect the connection, making one unit of the entire body.

In connection with the show, the motor concern delivered its first new V-8, a sedan, to Judge Clayton Moore. Additional deliveries will be made this week, it was learned from Manager N. C. Green here yesterday.

## Interest in Politics Mounting As Time for Primary Nears

### CAR FLOUR FOR NEEDY RECEIVED HERE LAST WEEK

No Distributions Will Be Made During Next Few Days, It Is Understood

A few more than 1,000 24-pound bags of flour were unloaded here last week for distribution among needy families, the gift coming through the American Red Cross. None of the 130 barrels of flour has been distributed so far, and none will be given out until a meeting of the several welfare agencies can be held, and then it will be directed by the local chapter of the Red Cross organization, it was learned from welfare headquarters here yesterday.

Very little of the flour will be distributed during the next several weeks, and when the distribution is started a close check on the applications will be maintained, it is understood. Applications will be considered when the distributing organization is made complete, but then the applicants will find it hard to get free bread unless their requests are deserving ones.

Free seed funds have been established, and where the charity seekers have failed to start digging for themselves they will come as near to starvation as they will to receiving a bag of the free flour. It is not the purpose of the welfare agencies here to deny any deserving person a bag of flour or aid in any possible form, but as far as the agencies are concerned the "dead-beats" are on the road to starvation.

Several citizens, when called upon, have prepared notes for the charity seekers. This practice is encouraged when the applicants are really deserving in their requests.

The flour is of a good grade, and will be of much aid in relieving suffering in those cases where the unfortunate did their best to support themselves but failed in their efforts.

## SMALL CATCHES FISH REPORTED

### A Big Run of Herrings Is Predicted During Next Few Days of Season

Although small catches have been reported during the past few days, seines operating in the Roanoke at Jamesville are expected to continue for a few more days, it was learned here yesterday afternoon. Encouraging reports from points along the sound had been received, indicating that a large run of fish was on the way up the stream, and it is hoped that a few more large and profitable catches can be made before the season is spent.

The time for fishing was extended from the 10th to the 20th of this month, and it might be that another delay will be made possible by the agreement. However, another delay depends upon the action of the fishermen and authorities.

## Basball Fans Here Planning To Enter Albarle League

Meeting here last night, county baseball fans discussed the organization of a county team with the intention of entering the Albarle Baseball League, made up last year by Windsor, Edenton, Hertford and Elizabeth City. The fans, coming here from Jamesville and other sections of the county for the meeting last night, are submitting a proposition to the other towns, and the outcome will be determined at a meeting in Windsor tonight, it was learned from Justice of the Peace Mayo Grimes this morning.

## Knocks Down Pumps At Puroil Filling Station Here

Tom May, colored truck driver for the W. L. Skinner Tobacco Company, ran into and tore down two gasoline pumps at the Puroil Filling Station near the warehouses here this morning when he became excited and lost control of the machine. No one was hurt but considerable damage was done to the truck and pumps.

## Local Bank Will Observe Next Friday as a Holiday

The Branch Banking and Trust Company here will observe next Friday, Mecklenburg Independence Day, as a holiday. No business will be transacted by the institution that day, as the employees will be out of town. The day, in certain parts of the State, is widely observed. Business is suspended and celebrations are held.

## BEGIN REVIVAL

### The first of a series of revival services arranged in the local Christian church was well attended last evening, the various denominations being well represented.

Rev. Richard Bagby, of Washington, occupied the pulpit and Miss Carolyn Hosford, of Springfield, Mass. led the song service.

Services are being held each evening by the pastor, and Miss Hosford is holding two daily.

## GOVERNMENT IS CHECKING USE OF SEED LOAN FUND

### Checks For Second Installment of Loans Are Now Being Mailed

Government Field Inspector, Mr. Claudius Dockery, whose territory in this State comprises Martin, Washington, Tyrrell and Dare Counties for the Crop Production Loan Office of the Washington Region announces that the last of the applications have been considered, the government stating that plenty of time was given the farmers to apply for aid. A few farmers have applied for loans, but their delay in so doing made them ineligible for aid from the government.

Mr. Dockery further stated that loan checks, covering installments, are now being mailed to all farmers whose loans were approved, but only to those farmers who have mailed to the Crop Production Loan Office, Washington, D. C., their report cards as to what disposition they made of the proceeds of the first crop production loan checks received by them.

In this connection, it will be interesting to learn that a large number of farmers have not mailed their report cards to the loan office, which indicates that many of them for various reasons do not need the second installment of the loan made to them. Possibly in many instances this is on account of the requirement to reduce their cotton, tobacco, and peanut acreage to sixty-five per cent of the acreage planted to these crops last year.

Mr. Dockery will make close inspections from time to time of the farms in this county where crop loans were made, using as a basis for their investigations the information on the report cards.

## Attorney General Explains Qualifications For Voting

A citizen who has registered can vote in a primary or an election without paying poll tax, according to a ruling announced last week by Attorney General Brummitt in a letter to Mr. L. J. Hardison, Williams Township list-taker and candidate for the register of deeds nomination.

The attorney general in his letter said the fact that one has been in the Federal prison does not debar him from voting. There is now no poll-tax requirement for voting. Every resident of your township within the constitutional ages of 21 to 50 is liable for the poll tax, regardless of having served a term in prison.

## Kiwanians To Hold Their Regular Meet Wednesday

Several business matters are scheduled to engage the time and thought of the Kiwanis Club at their Wednesday noon luncheon this week.

The matter of sending a delegate to the Detroit convention in June; preparation for the program this club is to put on in Tarboro the first week in June; the Boy Scout work for the balance of 1932, in addition to other matters.

## Firemen Called to Everett Home Late Friday Night

The local fire company was called out last Friday night shortly after 11 o'clock, when smoke from a trash bucket filled the kitchen and dining room in the home of Mrs. James A. Everett on Main Street here. A quantity of chips and several pieces of paper had been placed in the bucket by the stove to be used in starting a fire the following morning. In some way the paper and chips caught fire and smoke filled the kitchen and dining room, no other damage resulting, however, as the fire was confined to the

## LEWIS PEEL NOW IN CONTEST FOR COUNTY JUDGE

### Rumored That Everett and Matthews Will File for Board Commissioners

A three-cornered race for judge of the county recorder's court was developed last Saturday when Mr. Lewis Peel, Griffins Township farmer, formally announced his candidacy for the recorder's nomination. Mr. Peel announces subject to the Democratic primary to be held the fourth of next month. Mr. Peel's candidacy develops the only three-cornered race so far created in this county. Messrs. H. O. Peel and C. Ben Riddick having announced for the recorder's nomination several weeks ago.

With the formal announcement of Mr. John W. Eubanks, of Hamilton, as a candidate to succeed himself on the county board of education, another contest was created, bringing the number to four, as follows: Register of deeds, solicitor of recorder's court, board of education, and judge of recorder's court, the last being a three-cornered affair.

Unofficial reports heard during the past few days indicated that a contest would result before next Friday night for a place on the board of county commissioners. It was stated that Mr. H. S. Everett was reconsidering his candidacy to succeed himself on the board, and that Mr. Don Matthews was planning to file his candidacy as a member of the county board.

The political line-up for this county will be made complete by Friday midnight of this week, after which time it will be too late for office aspirants to file. Whether the political waters, fairly smooth so far, with few exceptions, will be greatly stirred up between now and Friday midnight, this week, is a matter of speculation.

Interest is centering in Jamesville Township, with two of its favorite sons, E. H. Ange and Joe Martin out for board of education nominations, and Clarence Sexton and Joseph H. Holliday are out for township constable. And then that district has a candidate in A. Corey for the State Senate nomination. In addition to that the people of that section are said to be interested in the race for governor with a declared margin for Candidate J. C. B. Ehringhaus. Fountain supporters in the district, however, deny the claim of an Ehringhaus margin.

The roster of announced candidates to date:

For register of deeds: J. Sam Gessinger and Lucian Hardison.  
For recorder's court judge: Ben Riddick, Herbert O. Peel and Lewis Peel.  
For solicitor recorder's court: Jos. W. Bailey and W. Hubert Coburn.  
For sheriff: C. B. Roebuck.  
For coroner: S. Rome Biggs.  
For county commissioners: Messrs. T. C. Griffin, of Griffins; Van G. Taylor, Cross Roads; Joshua L. Coltrain, Williams; John E. Pope, Williamston; and H. C. Green, Bear Grass.

For county board education: Messrs. J. Eason Lilley, Joe Martin, E. H. Ange and John W. Eubanks.  
For treasurer: C. A. Harrison.  
For representative in the General Assembly: J. Calvin Smith, of Roberstonville.

For constable, Jamesville Township: Clarence Sexton and Jos. H. Holliday.  
For constable, Cross Roads Township: B. B. Biggs.

## MAIL SCHEDULES CHANGED HERE

### New Mail Service Rapidly Gaining Favor Among Local Patrons

The new mail schedule, going into effect between here and Rocky Mount yesterday is fast gaining approval by local postal patrons, it was learned today from Postmaster Jesse T. Price. Letters, postmarked in Washington City last night at 7:45 o'clock and at Richmond at 10:35 were received here this morning at 8; it was stated. Under the new schedule, a letter mailed here at 7:10 p. m., the time the mail is closed for delivery to the star route carrier at 7:30, reaches Richmond at 3:30, and Washington at 6:35 the following morning and New York that afternoon at 12:10 o'clock. Mails going south from here reach Florence at 5:30 the following morning and Savannah that afternoon at 12:05. Mr. Price said.

Mail arriving here at 8 o'clock each morning except Sunday is in the boxes by 8:30 and that directed to rural patrons is on its way to them by 9 o'clock.