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## METHODISTS TO MEET NEXT WEEK AT WASHINGTON

### Annual Conference To Get Under Way There on Tuesday Night

Opening next Tuesday evening at 7:30 o'clock in Washington, the 98th annual Methodist conference is expected to attract larger crowds and create more interest in the religious activities of that denomination than any other meeting in years, Rev. C. T. Rogers, pastor of the local church, said yesterday.

Some of the most able preachers in the country will occupy the pulpit during the five-day conference, and the general public is cordially invited to all the sessions in the main auditorium.

The program for the conference: Tuesday, 7:30 p. m., Preaching by Dr. Angie Smith.

Wednesday: 9 a. m., Devotional service conducted by Bishop Paul B. Kern. Organization of conference; 12 m., Memorial service; 3 p. m., preaching by Dr. Angie Smith; 7:30 p. m., preaching by Dr. Angie Smith.

Thursday: 9 a. m., historical society meeting, with Dr. Paul N. Garber as speaker; 10 a. m., conference session; 3 p. m., preaching by Dr. J. H. Barnhardt; 7:30 p. m., anniversary of the Board of Christian Education.

Friday: 9 a. m., devotional services; 9:30 a. m., conference session; 11 a. m., board of lay activities; 3 p. m., preaching by Rev. J. H. Lanning; 7:30 p. m., anniversary of the board of missions, with Bishop Paul B. Kern and Dr. Elmer T. Clark as speakers.

Saturday: 9 a. m., devotional service; 9:30 a. m., conference session; 7:30 p. m., temperance and social service.

Sunday: 9 a. m., Sacrament of the Lord's Supper; 11 a. m., sermon by Bishop Kern; 3 p. m., ordination of deacons and elders. Ordination sermon by Dr. F. S. Hickman; 7:30 p. m., sermon by Bishop Edwin H. Hughes.

## Oak City Teachers and Parents Met Last Friday

Oak City.—The parent-teacher association met Friday night of last week instead of Tuesday night, which was the regular time, so as to culminate education week and celebrate Armistice Day in one big program. After the business was disposed of, the meeting was turned over to the program committee.

The first number, centering on education week, was a playlet presented by the grammar grades, emphasizing the importance of reading good books, a part of every one's education. Then a historical pageant was presented, beginning with the landing of the Pilgrims, ending with the signing of the Armistice and a prayer for national peace. The scenes were pantomimed, while the glee club under the direction of Miss Wilder, accompanied with songs appropriate for each period.

The last and the outstanding event of the evening was an address delivered by Mr. Lyn Bond, of the Eason Tiny Post of the American Legion at Tarboro. The association was very fortunate in securing Mr. Bond for its speaker.

The parent-teacher association wishes to express its appreciation to all those taking part in the program, especially to Mr. Bond, of Tarboro. It is looking forward to a most successful year since it has begun with the largest enrollment it has ever had.

## Cause For Ray Bunting Suicide More Obscure

The mystery surrounding the cause for Ray Bunting taking his own life in Hamilton last Monday afternoon became deeper yesterday when it was learned that the young man had been without work only three weeks and that there had been no quarrel between him and his mother. It was reported that Mr. Bunting had been out of a job for about two months, and that his unemployment might have led to the act. It was also reported that instead of a quarrel, the boy just thought he had been mistreated by his mother. However, those close to him are almost certain some foreign cause, never explained by the young man, led to his self-destruction.

This paper gladly offers these later facts in the case, in the hope that a clearer understanding may be gained by its readers.

## Frank Margolis Leaves For New York Saturday

Making special purchases As an added preparation for the holiday season, Mr. Frank J. Margolis, of the Margolis Brothers firm, leaves here over the week-end for New York to make extra and special purchases on the markets there. Deliveries will be made almost immediately, adding to the already large stock of the latest in winter and holiday goods. Mr. Margolis will return next Wednesday or Thursday.

## Market Closes Today With Big Break and High Prices

The Williamston tobacco market completed the 1934 sales just about noon today, marking the close of one of the most successful seasons in the history of the market.

Farmers starting with the market last August made their last sales on the market this morning; each of them declaring they had made money through their continued patronage of the local market. Even though the sales were the last of the season here, they were conducted with much pep and vigor, and the prices seemed very satisfactory. However, the quality of the offerings was mighty poor, and the general average for today will hardly pass the 28-cent mark.

Complete figures for the season are not available, but the poundage will be around the six and one-half million mark, it is estimated.

Already the warehousemen are making arrangements for another season, Messrs. Griffin and Taylor announcing officially today their plans to be at the Roanoke.

## Dixie next season with their star auctioneer, Jake Taylor.

The Williamston market has made a very favorable record this year, and it is believed that it is off to a good start to become one of the major markets in the belt.

Selling the last of his crop here today, Mr. Geo. R. Boyd, of Pine-town, received \$234.77 for 662 pounds. Starting the first day, Mr. Boyd sold all of his crop here, averaging \$411.68 an acre straight through. He says he is willing to sign any kind of contract the government suggests, because he thinks the agricultural authorities know what is best for the farmer and they seem willing and anxious to help him in every way possible. In conclusion the farmer said he was well pleased with the prices received and the service given him by local warehousemen.

Selling the remainder of their crop, Messrs. Roebuck and Green reported an average of 43 cents a pound for more than 600 pounds today.

## MAKES RECORD

An audit of the sheriff's books, recently completed, shows one of the best tax collection records for the year 1933 in five years. Ninety per cent of the \$178,609.76 levy was collected in cash. Certificates of sale, amounting to about \$14,000, and representing about 8 per cent of the levy, have been turned over to the county attorney for collection or foreclosure, leaving an insolvent list of only 2 per cent, or about \$3,000. The insolvent list has been turned over to special collector H. S. Grimes, it was learned.

For the year 1932 there was an insolvent list of more than \$9,000 and certificates of sale represented almost \$36,000 in uncollected taxes on real and personal property combined.

## DR. KNOX TALKS AT P.-T.A. MEET

### Board of Health Physician Says 80 Per Cent of New Pupils Have Defects

"Eighty per cent of all children beginning school for the first time have physical defects of some kind," Dr. J. C. Knox, of the North Carolina State Board of Health, told a group of interested mothers and others at a meeting of the local parent-teacher association held in the high school building here Wednesday afternoon. The startling facts advanced in the statement were made less startling, however, when the board of health representatives said that of the existing defects 80 per cent can be corrected. These defects, Dr. Knox explained, are in teeth, underweight, undernourished children, tonsils and adenoids and vision. To correct and prevent these defects, the doctor pointed out the necessity of eternal vigilance on the part of parents in protecting the health of their children.

The meeting, presided over by Mrs. J. C. Manning, vice president, was the second of the organization this term. Rev. Charles T. Rogers led the devotional service.

Next Tuesday afternoon from 4 to 5:30 o'clock, the organization is planning to hold a silver tea in the Woman's Club hall, and the public is cordially invited to attend.

## Peanut Contracts Being Explained To Agents

Meeting in Tarboro today with agricultural authorities, farm agents from many of the peanut counties are being given instructions for handling the proposed peanut control program. No definite information has been released, but reports indicate a campaign for control of peanut acreage will be started within a very short time.

Reports received from Washington today also indicate that farmers would be given an opportunity within the next three weeks to voice their stand on a continuance of the present tobacco control program.

## Bear Grass Basketeers Defeat Stokes This Week

Playing their second games of the season, the Bear Grass girls' and boys' basketball teams defeated the two Stokes teams at Stokes last Wednesday afternoon. Behind the stellar play of Perry and Roebuck, the Bear Grass girls registered an 18 to 5 victory. A close score, 9 to 8, figured in the boys' victory, with Rawls showing up well.

## POSTMASTER EXAMINATION AT JAMESVILLE

### Will Receive Applications Until November 23rd For \$973.00 Job

The United States Civil Service Commission has announced an examination, as a result of which it is expected to make certification to fill a contemplated vacancy in the position of fourth class postmaster at Jamesville, N. C., and other vacancies as they may occur at that office, unless it shall be decided in the interest of the service to fill any vacancy by re-instatement. The examination will be held at Williamston, N. C.

The compensation of the postmaster at the Jamesville office was for the last fiscal year, \$973.

Applicants must have reached their twenty-first birthday but not their sixty-fifth birthday on the date of the close of receipt of applications.

Applicants must reside within the territory supplied by the post office for which the examination is announced.

The examination is open to all citizens of the United States who can comply with the requirements. Application blanks, Form 9, and full information concerning the requirements of the examination can be secured from the postmaster at the place of vacancy or from the United States Civil Service Commission at Washington, D. C.

Applications must be properly executed and on file with the Commission at Washington, D. C., prior to the hour of closing business on Friday, November 23rd.

## Preaching Mission at Local Church Will Close Sunday

With the service tonight at 7:30 and the morning service Sunday, the mission led by Dr. Edgar Jones will come to an end. The Bible classes and the sermons that Dr. Jones has given have been very interesting and have meant a great deal to those who attended. Every one is cordially invited to come to the remaining services.

On Sunday evening the Boy Scouts of Williamston will come to the Church of the Advent for a service, especially for them.

## Bear Grass Mission

There will be Sunday school and preaching at the Bear Grass mission Sunday afternoon at 2 p. m. Please note the change of hour.

## Presbyterians Announce Their Services in County

Sunday, November 18: Church school at 9:45 a. m. Worship service and sermon at 11 a. m.

Bear Grass Church school at 9:30 a. m. Young people's league at 6 p. m. Worship service and sermon at 7 p. m.

Roberson's Chapel Church school at 3:30 p. m. Men of the church Tuesday night at 7 p. m.

Poplar Point Church school at 1:30 p. m. These services are for you. Make them yours.

"So long, see you in church."

## Woman's Club Dance Here Monday Night

The Woman's Club will sponsor a dance in the club hall next Monday night with Aiken and his Carolina Aces furnishing the music, it was announced yesterday.

## LONG SESSION COUNTY COURT HELD TUESDAY

### Several Defendants Found Not Guilty; No Cases Of Much Interest

A lengthy but uneventful docket featured the last Tuesday session of the county recorder's court. Fifteen or more cases were called, the court continuing several until the first Tuesday in December, when the next session will be held. The court gives way to the two-weeks term of superior court starting next Monday. Incidentally, it was the last session of the particular court that Mrs. Sadie W. Peel serves as clerk. L. Bruce Wynn enters upon the duties the first Tuesday in next month.

Johnson Modlin, charged with operating a car while intoxicated, was found not guilty.

Judgment was suspended upon payment of cost in the case charging Raymond Whitaker with simple trespass.

John Gray and Gus Knight were each fined \$25 and taxed with one-half the cost in the case charging them with assaults with deadly weapons.

Joe Roberson was found guilty of simple assault and sentenced to jail for 30 days, sentence to begin at the direction of the court.

Charged with assaults with deadly weapons, Roland Stevenson, Solon Jackson and Johnnie Mobley were found not guilty. The case against Jesse Mobley, a defendant in the same action, was not prosed.

Charged with reckless driving, D. D. Stalls was found not guilty.

A continuance was ordered in the case charging Abner Bennett with cruelty to animals.

Isaac Ampey, charged with larceny, was found not guilty.

The case charging John Mobley with an assault was continued.

A nol pros resulted in the case charging Henry Gardner with trespassing. Judgment was suspended upon the payment of the cost in the case charging Linwood Pate with bastardy.

The case charging John Manning and G. H. Manning with attacking a police officer in Oak City more than a week ago, was continued until the first Tuesday in next month.

## Local High Gridders To Play Dunn Here Today

Sending out an S. O. S. call after Greenville had canceled the game for today, Coach James Peters accepted a challenge from Dunn's strong eleven, and the two teams will play here this afternoon at 3:30 o'clock, Principal D. N. Hix announced shortly before noon today.

## Classes Suspended This Afternoon for Meeting

Classes in the local school and several others in the county were suspended at noon today that the teachers might attend the northeastern district teachers' meeting in Elizabeth City this afternoon and tomorrow. It was stated that many teachers are attending the meeting from this county.

## Very Little Demand on Peanut Market This Week

While the price still hovers around the 3-cent mark, very little demand was reported this week for the lowly peanut. Markets were reported glutted in nearly every center by heavy deliveries of the crop, the buyers postponing purchases in many instances.

The crop, it is estimated, has been three-fourths picked, and about one-half has been offered for sale in some sections.

While a price of 25 cents a bag is being charged by a few picker operators, the 30-cent figure agreed upon at a meeting early in the season continues in practice, as a rule, reports state.

Messrs. Ray Goodman and C. C. Parker made a business trip to Roanoke Rapids today.

Mr. W. H. Rawls, of Robersonville, was a business visitor here this afternoon.

## DISTRIBUTE BEEF

The approximately 300 relief families in this county are now eating choice beefsteak, thanks to a system planned and executed by relief forces for the direct distribution of freshly killed meat. Sent here from Wilson slaughterhouses yesterday, the distribution of the first weekly allowance of about 900 pounds is being completed by the county office today, the last of the shipment going to families in Robersonville Township this afternoon workers said.

Regular distribution of the freshly killed beef will be made weekly in the future, it is planned.

## Baby Killed and Grandmother Badly Hurt by Speeding Truck

### Enrolling the President



Five-year-old Phyllis Smith perches on President Roosevelt's desk to hand to the Chief Executive his annual membership card in the American Red Cross as that organization's annual Roll Call gets under way throughout the nation. Acting Chairman James L. Fleser of the Red Cross looks on as the President renews his membership.

## TRUCK LEAVES ROAD, STRIKING WOMAN, CHILD

### Two Men Held in Jail on Manslaughter Charge; One Was Drunk

Peggy Hardison, 18-months-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Hardison, was fatally injured and her grandmother, Mrs. Opheus Godard, was badly injured on the Jamesville Highway at noon yesterday when they were struck by a car driven by John Williams and belonging to Joe Laughton, of Bethel. The child, her skull fractured and several other parts of the body mangled and bruised, died just before reaching a doctor's office here. Mrs. Godard, confined to her bed at her home in Williams Township, is expected to recover, attending doctors said today.

The tragedy, the tenth to occur on Martin County highways this year, was reported to be the direct result of fast driving and the intoxicated condition of Laughton. It was reported that Williams, the driver, had not been drinking at the time.

Mrs. Godard was pushing the baby in the carriage along the left shoulder of the highway when she saw the car approaching in a reckless manner. She turned farther to the left and was several feet from the concrete when the fast-moving pick-up truck, its left wheels three feet from the concrete, plowed into her and the helpless child. The carriage was reduced to splinters hardly larger than pencils, and the child was found nearly 90 feet away. Mrs. Godard was knocked across the highway, the truck coming to a stop when it turned over 30 yards from the spot where the child was picked up. Said to have been traveling around 60 miles an hour, the truck could not negotiate the curve a short distance from the home of George Williams, and ran off the concrete about 60 yards below the spot where it crashed into the two people and the carriage. Thirty yards away it turned to the left and crossed the highway, coming to a stop about 30 steps farther on. Just after it left the concrete, the truck plowed tracks 10 inches deep in a shoulder that would ordinarily withstand the weight of an automobile.

In jail here yesterday, Williams stated that he was at Gardner's Creek and asked Laughton the privilege of a ride, both agreeing that he (Williams) should do the driving. Williams claims that Laughton instructed him to "step on it." Just before reaching the curve Laughton is said to have pushed Williams' foot, which was on the accelerator, to the floor boards. The driver then claimed that he lost control of the car when he tried to push Laughton away. Laughton, so completely intoxicated at the time, is said to be able to tell little or nothing about the accident. A colored man, witness to the accident, could not be reached for a description of the wild drive, but the markings clearly place the responsibility upon the shoulders of the car operators, who escaped uninjured.

Sheriff C. B. Roebuck arrested the two men and placed them in jail. Warrants charging manslaughter were procured by Patrolman Rodman. A hearing in the case will await the outcome of Mrs. Godard's injuries.

Williams is the son of Mrs. Mozella Williams, of Williams Township. Laughton, a resident of Bethel, was said to be at one time connected with the water and light department of the Town of Bethel.

## Family Day Service At Baptist Church Sunday

Family Day will be observed Sunday at the Baptist church at the morning hour, at which time the families of the congregation and church are asked to come to the service as a unit.

Two weeks ago the men were the church's special guests; last Sunday it was the women; this time the entire family groups are asked to be present and participate in the service.

The pastor returns home tonight, after having attended the sessions of the pastor's conference and the North Carolina State Baptist convention which have been in session in New Bern practically all of this week.

## Drunk, Not Airplane, Cause Of Calling Police To River

Commenting on the visit of an advertising airplane with a loud speaker here last Friday afternoon, Mrs. Mollie Harris said she heard the voice from the sky a few minutes before she saw a drunk crawl under her home, near the Roanoke River bridge. Before officers reached the scene, the man had crawled away, she added.

## ADJUSTMENT OF FARM DEBTS BY GROUP PLANNED

### Seven County Citizens Are Named Members of Local Committee

In an effort to enable those farmers who are unable to pay their debts to reach an agreement and effect an adjustment with their creditors, the Farm Debt Adjustment Commission has named a committee of seven Martin County citizens to investigate and make recommendations to either or both parties concerned when called upon to do so, it was announced here yesterday. Similar committees are functioning throughout this section, and splendid results are being obtained through the mediation groups, reports indicate.

Messrs. J. W. Hines, of Oak City, R. L. Smith and Eli Rogers, of Robersonville; and L. B. Harrison, Ray H. Goodman, J. G. Stator, and Tom B. Brandon, of Williamston, have been named to serve on the committee in this county.

Any debtor or creditor seeking a re-adjustment in the debt relationship may ask this committee to investigate and make recommendations to either or both of the parties concerned. Application blanks will be furnished upon request by members of the committee. This committee has nothing to do with the actual refinancing of farm loans under the federal relief program.

Speaking for the group, Mr. R. H. Goodman explained that the committee is very anxious to be of assistance to any farmers in this county in the furtherance of the program for farm debt adjustments.

## EXPECTING BUT LITTLE MOVING

### Most of Tenants and Landlords Seem To Be Well Satisfied

Having "paid out" and made some extra money this year, the large majority of tenant farmers in this section are expected to continue at their posts during the coming year, judging from reports coming from many sources. Very few tenant farmers will be asked by their landlords to move, and nearly every tenant is anxious to "stay put." A few of the ne'er-do-wells and never-satisfied roamers will likely pick up their beds and move, and a few of the more substantial type will probably move for some good cause or other, but having experienced a favorable year, tenants and landlords as a whole are understood to be well satisfied to continue operations with no changes.

## Parachute Jump From Airplane Here Sunday

Weather permitting, this section will witness the first parachute jump Sunday afternoon when Dusty Bunnard jumps from an airplane near Skeawakey. Sponsored by a number of Williamston merchants, the jump will be made from the large silver plane piloted by Flier Hoffman. The plane will be here during the week-end making regular flights. Mr. Hoffman is a transport pilot of many thousand hours in the air, and has brought his flying service here once before.

## 31 SHOPPING DAYS

While it is yet early for Christmas shopping, the holiday buying season is already being opened by rush orders from merchants to the big merchandising centers, reports indicating that the volume of business will far exceed that of last season, especially in this part of the country. Williamston merchants are making greater preparations than in many years to handle the demands of careful and thrifty shoppers this season.

Holiday goods are arriving daily here, but attention will hardly be centered on buying for Christmas until after Thanksgiving.

## KIWANIS HEARS BISHOP DARST

### Large Representation Hears Interesting Talk by Minister

Speaking before a large representation of Kiwanians at their regular meeting here last Wednesday evening, Bishop Thomas C. Darst offered some sound logic to his hearers, and his talk was greatly enjoyed.

Presented by Rev. E. E. Mosley, rector of the local Episcopal church, Bishop Darst explained that he was among the first Kiwanians, and that he had kept in close touch with the organization's activities, attending several of the international conventions. He says that in his opinion Kiwanis is doing more good in the world today than any other civic organization. He stressed the need of building on firm foundations, and explained that every man has the full opportunity to lay a solid foundation, but that few can be the pinnacle of the great building or the keystone of the arch. He further emphasized that fact by saying a sure foundation is equally important in human as they are in the beautiful spires. The minister is of the opinion that America for Americans is rather selfish and narrow, and that Americans for America would be a better arrangement.

Reports were offered by Principal D. N. Hix on the progress made by the Boy Scout Safety patrol, which is directing the traffic for children at important crossings. Scoutmaster Wheeler Martin reported much interest in the Boy Scout movement here and that there was much good work being accomplished by the young boys.

## Singing Class Will Be at Methodist Church Sunday

Rev. C. T. Rogers, pastor. The singing class of the Methodist orphanage will give a concert at the Methodist church here Sunday night at 7:30.

The morning service will be the last church service for this conference year my last service for the four years that I have been in Williamston, and perhaps my last service in Williamston. We would like to have every member present for this closing service at 11 o'clock and at 3 p. m. at Holly Springs. Sunday school, 9:45 a. m.

## Holly Springs

Sunday school, 10 a. m. Church services at 3 p. m. Our many friends, as well as strangers, are cordially invited to meet with us.