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#### GETTING READY TO BEGIN WORK ON FARM CENSUS

Would Make Mail One Day Later for Many Patrons Of Route Two

"Work in preparing the enumerators for the fifth district in the work of the agricultural census," states D. W. Lupton, supervisor of the district, "is mak ing fair progress."

Supervisor Lupton established his office and headquarters in the First National Bank Building, second floor, Washington, N. C., on December 1. His office staff at present consists of Mr. Charles Urbin Rogers, of Martin County, assistant supervisor, and Miss Olivia B. Lee, secretary.

The narrative schedule tests have been mailed and the enumerators will be selected from the various counties this district. Mr. Lupton states that he hopes to have all counties complete with the required number of enumerators and all oral instructions given preparatory to starting each enumerator in the 14 counties, in-cluding Martin and Washington, by January 2. The number of enumerators throughout the 14 counties will be approximately 92, and in addition to the present office staff an increase of two clerks will be made on or about January 2.

In order to give to the public some idea of what the agricultural census will cover, Mr. Lupton explains its importance very briefly as follows, givsome background for the coming work in the census;

"Agriculture has always been considered one of the most important accause it is a basic occupation with which all others of the industries are directly or indirectly connected. So far as the census is concerned, it is no new thing. Nearly five score years ago our grandfathers wisely provided for the taking of the first agricultural cen sus, and now a farm census is taken every five years.

"Although the census of 1935 will cover practically all the major items of interest to the farmers, the schedule will ask only about one-third as many questions as did the decennial census in 1930. It will merely show vated, idle land, crop failures, plowthe basic commodities, such as cotton, the feeble-minded. wheat, corn, rice, tobacco, and hogs. The housewife will merely be re-

chickens, turkeys and other fowls." Mr. Lupton feels that the success of this farm census depends upon the cooperation of the farmers, business men, and the general public with him and the enumerators in this district. He is taking this method of appealing to the farmers and said men for their

Six of the enumerators for this coun The appointees and their respective improved: Therefore, be it districts are as follows:

sincere cooperation.

Cross Roads; J. L. Tucker, Robersonville; John W. Hines, Goose Nest.

#### Reports Indicate Record Number of Marriages

Reports from the marriage license bureau Saturday evening indicated that be increased substantially; about the same number of marriages will take place this month as there were in December of last year. Thirty licenses had been sold up to Saturday evening, and rumors had it that there will be a number before the Christmas season is spent, two or three in this immediate community.

A new record in the issuance of licenses in the county this year is expected this month.

#### Farm Agent's Office To Be Closed 3 Days

The office of the county farm agent will observe Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday as a holiday, reopening City is to be protected. of business. It is understood that New Year's Day will also be observed as a holiday by the office.

#### Few Likely To Spend Christmas in Jail Here

Uncertain of the number as time progresses, the sheriff's office Saturday reported very few alleged law vio lators were in the county jail at that time with the definite assurance of spending Christmas Day there.

#### Chatham Farmers Report Surplus of Lespedeza Seed

In Chatham County, lespedeza growers report a surplus of seed for sale this winter.

# The Enterprise DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY OF NO PAPER FRIDAY Following a long-established custom, and one eagerly looked forward to by every member of FEW HOURS LEFT the force, The Enterprise will is-

Only a few hours are left to do that needed shopping before Christmas. It will soon be too late. However, in th few remaining hours, thrifty shoppers can still find countless bargains in Wil liamston stores. Stocks have been replenished and new items have been added for the last-minute rush. Grocers have the largest supplies of Christmas candies and fruits in years, and thousands of shoppers are expected here during the few remaining hours before

### URGE INCREASE IN SALARIES OF ALL TEACHERS

Parent-Teacher Association Passes Resolutions At Recent Meeting

In its meeting held recently, the Williamston parent-teacher association passed resolutions urging the continuance of the eight-months school term, the acreage in farms, crop land culti- an increase in teachers' salaries, a reduction in number of pupils for each able pasture, and other grazing land, teacher, and better transportation fa-the expansion of relatively new crops, cilities for the children. In addition such as soy beans, Japanese clover, and to its resolutions affecting the schools, sudan grass will be recorded. It will the association also recommended the also record the changes brought about sterilization of all low-type criminals. by the campaigns for the reduction of the criminally insane, the insane, and

The resolutions passed by the organization and which will be submitted quired to give an inventory of her to our state senators and representatives are as follows:

Whereas our schools and children are suffering from inadequate support when compared to salaries in other professions; and

ty have been appointed, leaving four children, our schools, and the people the individual decorations over the thers to be named, it is understood. of our great state must continue to be town when they located and lighted

term, offering a minimum educational opportunity to all the children at the expense of the state;

That the size of classes may be low ered in order to increase teaching effic- 95 Per Cent of Marketing iency;

That transportation facilities be in creased and improved to provide greater safety and comfort for children who ride to and from school:

### PUTUPTREEAT COURT HOUSE

Sheriff and Assistants Cap Courthouse and Climax With Pretty Tree

The climax to Christmas decorating on the part of the State of North Car- was reached last week when Sheriff olina, and our teachers are being paid C. B. Roebuck, Deputy "Sears" Roesalaries incommensurate to the type buck, and Jailer Roy Peel placed their of service rendered and pitifully low tree at the courthouse. The three men shifted attention from the town's Whereas the general welfare of our nearly 2,000 vari-colored lights and the tree on the courthouse tower.

O. J. Gaylord, Jamesville; Paul the membership of the Williamston the tree spreads cheer from the tower parent-Teacher Association, that our of justice for all the multitudes. In the membership of the Williamston the tree spreads cheer from the tower 15 FROM COUNTY state legislature be asked to continue appealing for a quiet, peaceful, and the state-wide eight months school sober Christmas, the officers issue the warning that not a single beam of light will find its way into the jail. The sheriff and his assistants are anx-That more adequate financial sup- ious that everyone enjoy himself this port be given to our public schools to Christmas season, but they are even the extent that teachers' salaries may more anxious that discretion will be exercised in every act.

# Cards Have Been Sent In

keting cards for the 1934 tobacco crop per cent of the students are from forts have been made to adequately have been returned to the office of That increased appropriations be the county agent here. The remain- in the state are represented. made for the financial support of all ing cards in the hands of the growers state charitable and correction insti- are expected to reach the office by the first of the year. Several hundred That certain existing laws be chang- of the cards have been checked and ed to the extent that sterilization may made ready for delivery to the aubecome a fact for all low-type crim- thorities in Washington, where parity inals, the criminally insane, the insane, 'payments will be calculated.' For a and the feeble-minded. Sterilization farmer to share in these payments, he of these classes seems necessary if so- must return his allotment or marketing card.

## Winter Arrives by Calendar; But Month Late by Weather

Winter is here! So says the calendar, which makes it official, but many of us thought Ole Man Winter arrived, bag and baggage, the early part of this month, when

the early part of this month, when the mercury dropped to 15 de-grees and nearly everything and nearly everybody came mighty nigh freezing.

By the calendar, however, fall died flaturday at 1:50 o'clock. Just how those fellows figure a change as broad as the one transpiring between autumn and winter to the

minute is a bit perplexing to many of us. If it had been left to us to decide, we would have said win-ter was herein all its glory nearly a month ago, Incidentally, last Friday was

listed as the shortest day of the year, but we common folks could tell no difference in the length of Thursday and that of Friday or Saturday, and, no doubt, the casual observer will see little or no difference for two, or three weeks

### SEND GREETINGS

A STATE OF THE STA

Appreciative of the patronage given them and desiring to offer a token of good will. Williamston merchants and other business firms are extending greetings to the people of this section through

the columns of this paper today. A new hope has been kindled in all of us, and to add to that hope these business men express, in a most sincere way, their wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Read the little messages and known that these firms are interested in your happiness at season of the year,

# AT CHAPEL HILL

Williamston Leads With 9; month. Robersonville Next With Two

Martin County is well represented at the University of North Carolina during the fall term, which ends this week, having a total of 15 students enrolled from the county.

William F. Clark, Williamston; Earl to the bare necessities. H. Everett, Robersonville; Clarence Ao4; Joseph H. Saunders, jr., Wil Miss Selma Ayers to Bear Grass. nston: Thomas B. Slade, III, Hamilton; Cecil H. Taylor, Williamston; Christmas Service At William W. Tice, Williamston; Vernon A. Ward, jr., Robersonville.

# County Home Inmate

or a long time.

nediate relatives.

### LICENSE SALE HERE IS AHEAD

Nearly-1,000 Plates Sold by Local Bureau Up To Saturday Noon

is lagging several thousand units bethe Carolina Motor Club reported Modlin, Susie Revels. nearly 1,000 tag sales up until Satur- 3-A: Luther Peele, jr., Bill Peele, rently desiring to avoid any pos- Lenora Melson, Flossie Peaks. sible trouble by using old tags after 3-B; Hazel Moore, Frances Thomas they go out of date the last day of Eliza Daniel. this month.

Town automobile tags, patterned Everett, Thelma Lowe, Helen Rawls, after those of the state, are also be- Thelma Raynor, Wendell Gardner. ing sold.

#### Relief Office Will Be Closed Until Thursday

Activities in the county relief office Although the student body of the were suspended here Saturday after- White, University represents 36 states and 5 noon, the office to continue closed un-More than 95 per cent of the mar- foreign countries, approximately 75 til Thursday morning. Strenuous ef-North Carolina. Ninety-six counties care for the urgent needs of the relief subjects, but many of the things Following are the students from that go to make Christmas bright and Godard, Elsie Gurganus, Sallie Gray low, but this can be improved through better feeding practices and since the ville; Albert Leslie Clark, Williamston homes. Relief activities are limited

W. Griffin, Williamston; Irvin C. left Saturday for their respective Ward, Virgil Ward, Julia Watts, Susie egs per gbird, we at least have made Griffin, Williamston; Milton W. Grif- homes to spend the holidays, Miss Whitley, Eleanor Taylor, Reid White, fin, Williamston; John R. Jenkins, jr., Huldah Roberson to Gold Point, Miss Iola Griffin. Parmele; James S. Rhodes, William- Ella Mae Gaylord to Jamesville, and

# Local Church Monday

The Christmas service for the Church of the Advent will be held at Died Last Wednesday 11:30 Christmas Eve. There will be the Holy Communion with music, the Ben Martin, inmate of the Martin Communion service itself coming just ounty home, died there last Wednes- at midnight. A special Chrismas an day exening from a complication of them, "Angels From the Realms of diseases. He had been in ill health Glory," will be rendered, and another special for this service will be given A resident of the Hassell section for at the conclusion of the service in any years, Mr. Martin had been at place of the "Nunc Dimittis." Before me for about eight months. He the recessional there will be a service was 57 years old, and leaves no im- of lighting of candles for all in the of temperance. Mr. Burgess is an cost was \$24.83. church. After the choir has marched Funeral services were conducted on out, from the vestibule of the church Friday afternoon and burial was near they will sing the hymn, "Silent pleasing manner. The public is very through breeding practices for higher Night."

### GIVEN IN COUNTY TO TOBACCO LAW Only Two Votes Recorded

BIG MAJORITY IS

Against Continuance by Martin Farmers

Martin County farmers, by one of ther largest majorities ever accorded any candidate, nominee, or cause, voted for continuance of the Smith-Kerr law for the control of tobacco production during the coming year. Following an official tabulation of the complete vote Friday, Assistant County Agent M. L. Barnes announced 2,580 votes for the measure and only 2 against it, clearly indicating that tobacto growers are just about solid in their support of the agricultural pro-

casting 1,213 votes for the act and 2 against; and the tenants voting 1,367 for the continuance and none against it. Only 52 growers failed to vote, the agent's office estimating those eligible to vote at 2,634. Those farmers failing to vote apparently operate on a very small scale, as they represent only 1702 acres, the office reporting 10,016.4 acres out of the 10,186.6 harvested this season as being ple-liged to the continuance of the tobacco control law. -

The opposition votes were found one each in Bear Grass and Goose Nest Townships, the office guarding the identity of the voters.

Following are the favorable votes,

### HONOR ROLL OF LOCAL SCHOOL FOR PAST MONTH

sue no paper next Friday. The

current issue makes its appearance

ahead of its Christmas day sched-

ule and marks the close of the

year for the paper itself. The

force prepares to enjoy a few days

of rest and relaxation before re-

turning to resume operations and

issues a brand new edition on the

Until then, The Enterprise group signs off, but only after

wishing for the paper's every pa-

tron and other friends the best of

the Christmas season. Cheerio!

first brand new day in 1935.

Names of 109 Pupils Appear on List for the Third Period Just Ended

The names of 109 puplis, 101 in the elementary and 8 in the high school; appear on the local school honor roll ANNUAL REPORT was announced this week by Principal D. N. Hix. The names follow:

Grade 1-A: Bunk Burroughs, Shirley Cowan, Marie Bailey, Dora Twid

1-B: Wilbur Jackson, Marion Rawls Wilburn Ward, Ida Gray Cherry. 1-C: Janie Ruth Roberson, Zeph

Roberson. 2-A: Isabelle Anderson, Alberta Knox, Bettie Helen Manning, Anne Meador, Betty D. Rogers, Alberta Swain, David Dale Dickey, Parker Peele, John Whitley.

2-B: Joseph Davenport, Daniel Hol-

up to that time by several hundred D. Woolard, jr., Virginia Hines, Court rapidly here, the many motorists ap- Jane Mobley, Susan Elizabeth Moore, ist at these result demonstrations.

New tags are appearing fairly reg- Theron Gurganus, Franklin Lilley, New tags are appearing tarry reg. Theron Gueganus, and Street and it is believed there will be few old Howard, Patsy King, Mary O'Neal plates showing after the first of next Pope, Madelyn Taylor, Mary Warren. 4-B: Charles T. Mizelle, Virginia

5-A: S. C. Griffin, Elizabeth Parker, Susie Griffin, Bina Jackson, Sybil Roberson. 5-B: Sallie B. Griffin.

6-A: Stuart Critcher, R. J. Hardion, Marjorie Gray Dunn, Katherine Manning, Anita Wheeless, Frances

6-B: Annie Bell Holliday, Ethel Ben. nett, Mary Louise Bland.

7-A: Bill Ballard, Jerry Clarke, Junie Peele, Minnie Chesson, Ellen

7-B: Leroy Perry, Annie Ruth

High School Grade 8: Grace Barnhill, Reg Manning, Wilbur Culpepper.

Grade 9: Mary Helen Boykins. Grade 10: Ben Manning, Marie Grif-

Grade 11: William H. Griffin, Grace Manning.

# Cale K. Burgess To Speak

Mr. Cale K. Burgess will preach at the Christian Church Sunday night, December 30 at 7:30 on the subject average profit per farm above feed especially attractive speaker and deals with the subject in a very gentle and ordially invited to hear him.

## gram of the present administration. The support was equally as strong in the camp of the landlords as it was in that of the tenants, the landlords

by townships and acres respresented

		For	Acre
1	Bear Grass	268	743.
	Cross Roads	251	945.
	Goose Nest	265	1,125.
r	Griffins	260	798.
L	Hamilton -	229	1,118.
	Jamesville	287	769.
r	Poplar Point	126	465.
	Robersonville	484	2,292
	Williams	96	285
	Williamston	314	1,453.
e	Totals	> 580	toote

## OF HOME AGENT FOR PAST YEAR

Outlines Activities Handled In Connection With Poultry Work

(By Miss Lora Sleeper, Agent)

The home agent spent ten and onehalf days helping wit hthe poultry work in this county. The specialist assisted two days during the year. Work was done in six different communities and was confined to the six While the sale of automobile tag, liday, David Roberson, R. J. Roger-lagging several thousand units be son, Reuben Williams, Mildred Lashind in the state, the local bureau of siter, Essie Mendenhall, Addie Clyde tions. Previous to this year there were no result demonstrations going on in the county and all poultry work day afternoon, leading last year's sale Richard Margolis, Burke Parker, J. flocks, help with feeding problems or up to that time by several hundred to the sale of the tags continues ney Jenkins. Nancy Mercer, Della the cases in poultry, special-

Twenty-two home visits were made in the interest of the farm flocks 4-A: Bill Griffin, Joseph Gurganus, plans as recommended. Two families reliable hatchery. The agent spent one day at the poultry short course and carried two of the women demonstrators to attend the meeting. The women gained some knowledge in improving breeding practices which will ultimately develop to finer poultry

> A summary of the records turned in to the State office shows results from the six demonstrators as follows:

There was an average of 5.6 farms reporting for the year. Total birds in the flocks were 3,995 or an average of 333 per month. Reports showed an average of 71 birds per farm. Total eggs produced on the six farms for the yea wee r36,906, an average of 111 son, Helen Mishoe, Doris Moore, U. S. census gives the average egg Members of the local office force Margaret Jones, Irene Perry, Rose production in the United States at 84 a little improvement over the average Total feed cost for the year was

\$403.38 or an average per farm of \$72.03. Feed cost per dozen eggs produced amounted to 13.1 cents for the year, feed cost per bird for the year was \$1.21. Total pounds of grain used for the year were 13,500, total pounds mash were 12,650 for the year. Through the records kept from these six farms it was found that hens required an average of 40.5 pounds of grain and 37.9 pounds of mash per bird for feed stuffs during the year. The average sale price per dozen eggs At Church Here Dec. 30th produced for the year was 17.6 cents. Total value of the eggs produced showed \$542.46 an aveage per farm of \$96.86, and per bird \$1.62. The

> These figures can all be improved with better feeding practices, and

egg production.