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SURVEY NEED OF LOCAL BUILDING FOR FEDERAL USE

Congressman L. C. Warren Takes Preliminary Steps For New Post Office

Representative Lindsay C. Warren this week called upon the Fourth Assistant Postmaster General and requested that surveys be immediately conducted by the Post Office Department with the view of the erection of federal buildings at Williamston and Ahsokie. Mr. Warren stated that even if the survey should disclose that there were need for buildings that it would not mean they would get one. The purpose of the survey is to gather full information for the future. Williamston and Ahsokie are the only two towns in the First District whose postal receipts make them eligible for consideration.

Congressman Warren also talked with the Department about the addition to the Federal building at Elizabeth City. Forty-five thousand dollars was appropriated at the last session of Congress for this purpose, but a new survey shows the amount to be inadequate. The Elizabeth City case will be brought before the joint Treasury-Post Office board next week for further consideration.

The department last year approved an addition to the Federal building at Washington including the purchase of additional land. This is now waiting for an appropriation.

Congressman Warren also requested the department to make a survey with the view of additions to the Federal building at Greenville which he described as being entirely inadequate for postal facilities.

Future action on Greenville, Williamston and Ahsokie will depend upon the surveys, it was said.

ST. MARTINS

Rector Will Hold Two Services at Hamilton Church Sunday

Rev. E. F. Moseley, rector, Sexagesima Sunday: Church school at 10 a. m. Holy Communion and sermon at 11 a. m. Evening prayer and sermon at 7:30 p. m.

NOTED CHOIR

Eva Jessye Choir To Give Concert at Colored School Here Tonight

The Eva Jessye choir, noted Negro musical organization, will appear in a concert at the colored school building here this evening at 8 o'clock. Special seats will be reserved for white people at the concert. E. J. Hayes, principal of the school, announced.

MEET THURSDAY

Stockholders of Roanoke Warehouse Co. To Have Annual Session

Stockholders of the Roanoke Tobacco Warehouse Company will hold their annual meeting Thursday afternoon in the courthouse here at 3 o'clock, it was ordered this week by the company's president, Mr. Henry D. Peel, and Secretary W. T. Meadows.

Just prior to the meeting of stockholders, the board of directors will meet in the courthouse, it was announced.

METHODIST

Rev. R. R. Grant Announces Regular Program of Sunday Services

The regular program of services will be held at the Methodist church Sunday, as follows: Sunday school, 9:45 a. m. Preaching by the pastor, 11 a. m. Evening service, 7:30 p. m.

County Basketball Tournament Will Get Under Way Here Next Thursday

Bear Grass, Jamesville and Farm Life Are Only Entries So Far; Medals To Be Awarded Winning Teams And Players; Also Individual Awards

Martin County's Gold Medal basketball tournament will get under way in the high school gymnasium here on Thursday of next week, it was announced today by Coach James Peters of the local school.

Only three schools have entered the tournament so far. The first game will be played by the local girls and those from Bear Grass the opening evening at 7:30 o'clock, followed by a game between the local boys and those from Farm Life. On Friday evening, the Jamesville girls, undefeated in the county this season, will play those from Farm Life. Immediately following the girls' games, the boys'

Measles Epidemic Subsiding; Over 700 Cases in 2 Months

After attacking 699 people in this county during January and a part of February, the measles epidemic is rapidly subsiding, reports from the health office this week indicate. However, the subsiding did not set in until the number of nearly all available subjects had been depleted. While the victims were confined mostly to children, there were a few adults in the group. The epidemic was not at all considerate, as the poor, the rich, white, and colored, the different and indifferent, were included in the list of victims.

That the epidemic is fast petering out in this section is clearly shown in recent reports from the health office, the number last Wednesday being only four, the smallest for any one day since the measles started several weeks ago. Seventy-five cases were reported during the past seven days, 57 of the number being among the colored population.

A new record was established a few days ago, as far as numbers are concerned, when George Morgan, local colored man, reported 9 cases in his family at the same time.

Growers of Tobacco To Meet in Raleigh

FACTORY RUNNING

After a three-weeks period of inactivity, the local plant of the Columbian Peanut Company started operations again this week, Captain W. S. Pritchard, plant manager, stating yesterday that operations would likely be continued until some time in May. The continued operation, he explained, depends upon the moving of cleaned goods to market.

More than 100 workers are now employed at the plant, and the mill is handling from 850 to 950 bags of framers' stock daily.

JUDGE MOORE IS TO PRESIDE OVER REYNOLDS CASE

Assignment to Hearing Is Unusual Honor for Local Jurist

Judge Clayton Moore was named this week to preside at a hearing on a proposed "family settlement" of the Z. Smith Reynolds estate in the Forsyth County Superior Court at Winston-Salem beginning March 11. The hearing will be held by the local jurist without a jury, it was announced.

The assignment to preside at the hearing involving millions of dollars is recognized as an unusual honor for the local man. The list of attorneys on both sides reads like a "who's who" of the North Carolina bar, there being 26 of them.

The object of the hearing is to arrange a fair and equitable division of the approximately \$25,000,000 inherited estate of the late Smith Reynolds among his heirs.

R. J. Reynolds, Mrs. Nancy Reynolds, and Mrs. Mary Reynolds Babcock proposed the family settlement in an effort to terminate involved litigation over the estate of their dead brother. In the event Judge Moore decides the division is "fair and equitable," the case will be sent to the State supreme court for a final ruling. If Judge Moore finds the proposal unfair to any one of the litigants, the case will be carried into open court.

Libby Holman, Broadway actress and second wife of Smith Reynolds, would receive \$750,000 under the proposed division. Her son, Christopher Smith Reynolds, would get approximately \$6,000,000; Anne Cannon Reynolds II, half sister of Christopher, about \$9,000,000, and the rest of the estate to go for a benevolent trust fund in memory of Smith Reynolds and for inheritance tax.

Wallace and Hutson To Hear Size of Crop Argued on Monday

Large Delegation Expected To Attend Hearing from This County

Arguments for and against a large tobacco crop this coming season will be heard at a mass meeting in Raleigh next Monday morning at 11 o'clock, when Federal authorities will meet with thousands of tobacco farmers from this and other states. Martin County is planning to send a large delegation of farmers to Raleigh that day, and other sections of the tobacco belt are expected there in large numbers.

Henry A. Wallace, Secretary of Agriculture, and J. B. Hutson, head of the tobacco section of the AAA, will address the meeting, it was announced this week by E. Y. Floyd, of State College.

The meeting is the outgrowth of two meetings held in Washington, at which the agricultural administration heard reports as to sentiment of tobacco growers—the delegation led by Governor Ehringhaus last week having protested vehemently against increasing the crop, and the committee led by State College officials and including members of the tri-state advisory committee selected last fall insisting this week that the larger crop was desirable.

Since both groups charged that the other did not represent the true sentiment of the growers, Secretary Wallace, who will be in Asheville Saturday, decided to come and see for himself, and Mr. Hutson, who attended the meeting last fall at which the advisory committee was named, will accompany him.

The call is going out to growers of North and South Carolina, Virginia, Georgia, and Florida to attend the meeting.

Secretary Wallace also is expected to explain new rulings to apply to the 1935 crop, which will include levying the full 33 1-3 per cent penalty permitted by the Kerr-Smith act instead of the 25 per cent levied last season, and more stringent regulations to be imposed along with the proposed increase in base acreage.

Building Program Will Begin Soon

Number of New Residences To Be Built This Spring

Plans are taking shape for a sizeable building program here during the next few months, according to reliable reports heard this week.

Mr. and Mrs. D. R. Davis have let a contract for a one-story home on Academy Street, and work will be started on its construction within the next few days.

Mr. M. D. Wilson is considering developing a portion of the Godard property by opening a new street off Houghton Extended, near the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Watts. Mr. Wilson is planning to build several homes there, but no definite program has been announced.

Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Wynne and Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Andrews are planning the construction of two homes on Church Street within the next several months, and others are considering home building, it is understood. And when all that is done there will likely continue a house shortage here.

The Colonial Oil Company is completing a storage house and Mr. Roger Critcher is constructing a small building for a cafe near the river.

COUNTY COURT HOLDS LENGTHY SESSION TUESDAY

Case Against Jamesville School Teacher Attracts Most Interest

Eleven cases were called in the county recorder's court last Tuesday, the case charging Professor James Uzzle, Jamesville school principal, with simple assault, probably holding the center of interest. Several fines were imposed and one or two road sentences were meted out by Judge H. O. Peel.

The case charging the Jamesville school man with whipping a Moore boy there last week was continued until next Tuesday, when additional state witnesses will be called. The Moore boy was paddled by the principal for attacking another school boy with a knife. That portion of the evidence heard last Tuesday indicated the boy was well whipped, but that the punishment was not unmerciful and that the boy got no more than that due him. A nol pros was considered by the state, but it was later decided to let the case go over until next Tuesday, when Dr. J. H. Saunders, who examined the boy, has the opportunity to testify in the action.

John Briley, charged with non-support, was ordered to pay \$3 a week to his children for a period of two months and report to the court at the end of that time.

Charlie Clark, young colored boy who badly cut another boy in Robersonville several weeks ago, was turned over to the juvenile court. Judge Wynne then turned the boy over to Gum Clark, the boy's father, with instructions to punish the lad before the court and keep him off the streets. The father, using the same paddle Professor Jas. Uzzle used in correcting the Moore boy, bore down upon his son, and probably did more with those few licks in disciplining the boy than at any previous time with his remonstrances. The Jackson boy, cut by Clark, is recovering.

The case charging M. H. Knox with disposing of crops without paying certain debts or rents, was not pressed.

M. E. Smith, fined \$50 for alleged violation of the prohibition laws, appealed to the higher courts, Judge Peel requiring bond in the sum of \$150.

The case charging Eugene Corey with bastardy, was continued until next week.

Kan Manning was fined \$25 and taxed with the cost in the case charging him with an assault.

Charged with larceny, Wm. Daniel was found guilty of receiving and was sentenced to the roads for a period of six months.

Vernon Andrews was sentenced to the roads for four months when he was adjudged guilty of larceny.

Carey Whitehurst, charged with operating a car while intoxicated, failed to answer when called.

Charlie Mack and Willie Ray Bullock, charged with an assault, also failed to answer when called.

BAPTIST CHURCH

Number Questions To Be Taken Up At Forum Hour Sunday

"Shall Williamston Have Sunday Movies?" "What Do You Think of the Divinity of Jesus?" "What Is the Relation Between the Soul and the Body?" "Do You Take the Bible Literally?" These and other questions go into a forum hour at the twilight service Sunday afternoon at 5 o'clock. The above and other questions will be read at this church hour and will be briefly discussed. The pastor of the church will welcome other questions, provided they are sincere questions and some bearing on Biblical, religious or moral matters.

The Sunday school, under the leadership of Julian Anderson, has shown remarkable new life in recent weeks and should, as the spring comes on, firm up into a well-programmed school of the church. The pastor will preach Sunday morning following the church school sessions.

LAST CALL

Forced by urgent necessity, The Enterprise plans the discontinuance of all its subscriptions that are now in arrears. The list will be altered not later than the 16th of next month, and subscribers whose subscriptions are now in arrears are urged to make arrangements before that time to have the paper continue so they will not miss a single copy.

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New Bank Will Be Located Here Within Next Few Weeks

Seed & Feed Loan Bill Becomes Law

President Signs Law For Aid of Nation's Smaller Producers

Machinery for Perfecting Loans Not Yet Devised; \$60,000,000 Fund

A seed and feed loan bill became law this week when the President put his signature to the measure creating \$60,000,000 for use by small farmers over the country. Machinery for handling the loans has not been set up, and it will probably be some time in March before money from the fund will be available to eligible farmer-borrowers.

The passage of the bill, sponsored by Representative Warren and others acquainted with actual conditions, has been eagerly awaited by a large number of farmers in this county. And it is safe to say that many farmers who were head for the relief funds will be able to care for themselves and establish a foundation for future self-supporting activities now that the fund has been made available.

Just as soon as arrangements are completed for handling the loans, eligible borrowers will be notified.

Mr. Roosevelt signed a seed loan bill last year and expressed the hope it would be the last. Congress, however, sent another to the White House this session and there was speculation that the President might veto it. He has said that expenditures outside the budget should be paid through new taxes.

In approving the bill, the chief executive made public a letter to Speaker Byrns in which he suggested that since the funds were primarily for drought relief they "should therefore be defrayed from the general appropriation for relief purposes." This, he added, would "not have the effect of increasing the budget estimate of expenditures."

The paradox of attempting to reduce production through the AAA and at the same time providing means for expanding it through financing crops was pointed out several times.

PRESBYTERIAN

Program of Services for Coming Week Is Announced by Pastor

Sunday, February 24, 1935. Church school at 9:45 a. m. Bear Grass Church school at 9:45 a. m.

Young Peoples' League, 6:15 p. m. Worship service and sermon at 7:15 p. m.

Poplar Point Church school at 1:30 p. m. Roberson's Chapel Church school at 3 p. m. Prayer meeting every Thursday night at 7 p. m.

Prison Camp Services every Sunday afternoon. Go to church Sunday—Sunday school, too.

Ladies Night Is Held By Kiwanians Here

District Governor LeRoy, of Elizabeth City, Makes Impressive Talk

Williamston Kiwanians enjoyed one of their best meetings in years last Wednesday evening when the club observed "Ladies' Night" with members of the local faculty, wives and friends of the members as special guests.

District Lieutenant Governor J. H. LeRoy, of Elizabeth City, was present and he made a brief but impressive talk dealing with principles of Kiwanis. Tom Averá, of Rocky Mount, was the star entertainer of the evening with his Negro sermon. Mr. Averá announced that he would not discuss the mysteries of creation, but would take as his text, "The Creation of Mysteries." During ten minutes he told of women, their peculiarities, their weaknesses, strength and their faults. He then talked on the other side of the question, paying great tribute to women, exalting them as boys all of God's creation.

The program was well balanced by musical selections, and was closed with a solo, "The End of Perfect Day" by H. J. Holliday.

PEANUT PRICES

Peanut prices reached a new high mark for the season this week when extra quality goobers were selling for 4 1-2 cents a pound, with a possibility that the quotations would advance to the 5-cent mark before the crop is moved in its entirety.

The unusually strong market comes, however, when the crop is just about out of the hands of the farmers, reliable estimates indicating that there are less than 15,000 bags of peanuts in the hands of farmers in this county. Reports from other sections also indicate the crop is about out of the hands of the growers. It is believed that there are fewer peanuts in the hands of growers at this season of the year than at any time in several years.

PEANUT CONTROL PROGRAM IS NOW AT STANDSTILL

Marked Discrepancies Are Uncovered in Several Townships

The peanut control program in this county reached a standstill this week when additional measurements of contracted acreage failed to conform with the claims advanced by growers in signing the contracts. Some marked discrepancies have been uncovered in two or three townships, but the total acreage claimed by the growers compares fairly well with the total measurements in some districts, it was unofficially learned yesterday.

County Agent Brandon and assistants are planning a trip to Raleigh for further instructions today. It might be that a measurement of all peanut lands will be ordered, or it might be that the acreage claimed will be accepted as it is or with a small horizontal cut for the several townships. Definite action in the matter will probably be taken following the meeting with State authorities in Raleigh today.

NEW CHEVROLET

First of New Master Six Models Is Received Here Yesterday

Chevrolet's new 1935 master de luxe sedan was placed on display in the showrooms of the Roanoke Chevrolet Company here and the Better Chevrolet Company in Robersonville yesterday. The car with its streamline styling and body of solid steel and "turret top" attracted much attention in both places. The car is the latest in automobile manufacture, and the public is invited to inspect it.

CHRISTIAN

Regular Services To Be Held at Local Church Next Sunday

The regular program of services will be held at the Christian Church Sunday, at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday school at 9:45. A cordial welcome is extended to all.

Fire Truck Gets Stuck in Mud on Way To Fire; House Completely Destroyed

Three-Room Colored Tenant House Occupied by Mamie Brooks Burned To Ground Wednesday, With No Insurance on House or Contents

Receiving a call from occupants of a tenant house on Warren Street on Wednesday morning, volunteer firemen were rendered almost helpless when the fire truck mired down in the soft earth a short distance from the burning structure. Direct connection with the water lines was made, but, handicapped as they were, the firemen could do little more than watch the three-room house, occupied by Mamie Brooks, colored, burn to the ground.

In answering the call, the firemen experienced the greatest difficulty of any they have encountered since the company was organized a number of years ago.

William Rogers, owner of the house, carried no insurance and he estimated his loss at about \$300. While many of the contents were damaged in the hurried move or by fire when they were left too near the burning house, most of the household and kitchen furniture was saved. It was said. The total loss will run around \$350 on house and contents.

Greenville Banking & Trust Co. To Have 2 Banks in County

Secure Charter for Branches In Williamston and Hamilton

Procuring a charter this week, owners of the Greenville Banking and Trust Company are making arrangements for the opening of a branch here within the next two or three weeks, it was officially learned yesterday. The exact location of the bank has not been determined as far as it could be learned today, but it was unofficially stated that the officials are considering occupying the building located next to Clark's drug store and recently vacated by the A. and P. Tea Company. The personnel of the local branch has not been announced.

Reports heard here this morning stated that preliminary arrangements for the opening of the local branch would be completed very shortly and that the institution would start regular banking activities as soon as possible thereafter. According to unofficial information reaching here, the bank will probably be known under some other name than Greenville Banking and Trust Company.

Arrangements have been made and a charter granted the Greenville Banking and Trust Company to take over the Bank of Hamilton and operate a branch there. The new institution will likely take over the active management of the bank there by the first of next month. The Greenville institution is also completing arrangements for opening a branch in Washington.

The Greenville bank, of which E. G. Flanagan is president, already has branches at Bethel, Belhaven and Snow Hill. Mr. Flanagan has been head of the bank since it was started in 1901 with \$10,000 capital. It has grown to an institution with \$507,500 capital and surplus at the present time with resources of \$5,000,000.

W. H. Woolard, a native of Martin County and executive vice-president, told the stockholders at their thirty-fourth annual meeting that in addition to the condition reflected in the last statement, the bank had substantial equity in real estate, bonds and reserves. He said that the bank was taking care of all justifiable loans and was in the market for good loans.

At that time, J. H. Waldrop, cashier of the bank, submitted an operating report showing deposits at the close of business December 31, 1934, of \$4,930,413.02 as compared to \$2,835,945 at the close of 1932. Six percent regular and six percent special dividend was paid for the year 1934.

CHILD DIES

Funeral Held Thursday for Rebecca Ruth Bowen, 9 Months Old

Rebecca Ruth Bowen, nine months old, died at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Bowen, near here, last Wednesday morning at 10:30 o'clock following a short illness with pneumonia. The child is believed to have had the measles, which developed into pneumonia, causing death.

Funeral services were held by Rev. Tom Harris in the Bethany Holiness Church yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Interment was in the family plot, near the home.