

92 PER CENT OF LOCAL PROPERTY OWNERS LISTED

Automobile Values Said To Have Increased by 300 Per Cent

Reporting a substantial gain in the listing of automobiles and a greater number of taxpayers, Mr. H. S. Everett, list taker for Robersonville Township, believes there will be an increase in property values in the district this year. Just how much the increase will be Mr. Everett could not say, as only about 92 per cent of the property owners have reported their holdings. Listing activities were scheduled to have been completed Tuesday, making it uncertain just how the unlisted property will be handled. Some of it will be brought forward from the books of last year, leaving a possible penalty in some of the other cases.

The increase in automobile values was estimated to be around 300 per cent over the listed values last year, the result of following an established code of values for the vehicles. And, surprising as it may seem, there was more cash listed for taxation.

Approximately 1,200 people entered their names in the books last year. When the books are made complete this year the number of names will be around 1,300 or 1,350, it is estimated.

HEALTH SERVICE CONSIDERED BY COUNTY BOARDS

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500, the state contributing an additional \$3,000, with the possibility that the Federal Government will supplement the funds with a substantial sum, assuring the county a valuable health service. It was pointed out that the county spent year before last just about \$4,000 for typhoid vaccinations alone, that the proposed program would handle all immunization work and relieve the county of that all-important task undertaken every three years.

Directing a sincere and appealing plea in behalf of the program, Dr. Jos. H. Saunders said that the high infant mortality rate in this county presented an urgent and justifiable demand for increased public health facilities. And while the proposed health program does not doctor the sick, its purpose was to prevent children and others from getting sick. While he hesitated to make the comparison, and while he heartily approved the work, the physician, with 30 years of hard work behind him, did say that the county provided for treatment of hogs against cholera and that the little child.

As a whole, there was little or no change in real property listings, with the possibility that there will be an increase in personal values, not including the automobile value increase.

den of this county should receive even more consideration than swine. Mrs. V. A. Ward, who has greatly interested herself in the undertaking, addressed the meeting briefly, expressing the belief that the five-piece unit would prove far more valuable than the services of a health nurse alone. She expressed the desire that arrangements could be made to cooperate with Washington County in adopting the program. Mrs. E. F. Moseley, representing the parent-teacher associations, heartily endorsed the five-piece unit.

The county board of health, with all its members present, went on record endorsing the plan for adoption by the county commissioners.

Taking the matter into executive session, the two boards listened further to Dr. Fox, the commissioners delaying definite action in the matter until the first Monday in June.

When questioned as to their views on the matter, Commissioners Taylor, Coltrane, Perry, and Pope said they favored the plan and added they would appropriate the necessary funds provided an increase in the rate would not be necessary. In short, if the property valuation increase is sufficient to care for a rate of about 5 cents on the \$100 property valuation, the service will be provided, it was understood. Commissioner Fleming was held at home by urgent duties, but it was the general belief expressed at the meeting that he would also favor the all-important health service for the people of the county.

BETWEEN 600 AND 700 PEOPLE TAKE PART IN SERVICES

Culmination of Years of Hard Work Fittingly Celebrated

Robersonville, May 1.—Coming as a climax to one of the most remarkable religious achievements in this section during this century, the local Baptist church congregation, after 16 years of waiting, planning, saving, and toiling, dedicated their strikingly modern and up-to-date church structure here last Sunday in an all-day service which brought to a highly successful conclusion almost a week's series of services which were built around the completed structure and the noble host of men, women and children who had unitedly seen their common dreams come true.

Between 600 and 700 people gathered in and about the commodious new religious structure to witness the dedicatory services and to take part, in one way or another, in the celebration which was significant not only to the Baptist people of Robersonville and its vicinity, but to the entire community, irrespective of denominational affiliation. Not only was that true, but the religious forces of Martin County have noted with pride the magnificent achievement of their fellow-citizens, and no doubt that many of them have been inspired to further effort and achievement by the splendid manner in which these religious-minded people of Robersonville have brought to reality the great undertaking which has engaged the thought of pastor and people during these recent years.

Dr. Thurman B. Kitchin, president of Wake Forest College, brought the feature address when he spoke to a packed house on the subject, "The Church and Education." Robersonville was fortunate in securing Dr. Kitchin, as he does little speaking abroad. The gifted leader of the Baptist's greatest educational unit in the state thrilled his hearers as he warmed to his theme on Martin County soil, which county adjoins Halifax, the Kitchin family home.

S. T. Everett emphasized the history of the church in a well-digested and prepared account; H. S. Everett delivered a warm tribute to the former pastors of the church; H. C. Norman told the story of the present building, which read like a tale from romance; while the final report of the building committee was given by Dr. V. A. Ward. Friends and visitors were publicly recognized before Dr. Kitchin's address, and in the afternoon the brilliant Walt N. Johnson made a striking delivery on an exposition of the New Testament church. This was followed by the actual dedicatory services.

Raiders Roebuck and Peel Destroy Still Wednesday

A 100-gallon capacity liquor still was destroyed in Bear Grass Township near the Sweet Home church on Wednesday afternoon by Raiders J. H. Roebuck and Roy Peel. The kettle was hot, the operators having just completed a run and had been away only a short time when the officers arrived.

Cotton Production Should Be Governed By Grade and Staple

Little Demand at Home or Abroad for Short Staple Varieties of Cotton

The type of cotton grown in North Carolina should be governed by the requirements of local mills, advises P. H. Kime, seed specialist at State College.

"Every year, our mills use more than twice as much cotton as is grown in the State," he says, "and they have shown a willingness to buy North Carolina cotton when they can secure the quality and staple length desired in large, even-running lots."

The staple lengths greatest in demand range from 15-16 to 1 1-16 of an inch. Fortunately, Kime points out, the highest yielding and best varieties of cotton for North Carolina produce these staple lengths.

There is little demand at home or abroad for shorter staple lengths, he adds, and growers who produce such cotton are finding the most difficulty in marketing their crop.

"It is encouraging to note that North Carolina growers are turning more and more to the long staple varieties," he says, "but there is still a great need for more of the longer staples."

The variety of cotton best suited to the soils of each grower's farm should be the kind for him to plant, Kime said. Recommendations may be obtained from local county agents or from the State College agricultural extension service at Raleigh.

Tests made at the branch station near Statesville have shown that the following varieties produce staple lengths as listed below:

- Mexican number 58-14, 1 1-16 inch;
- Mexican number 128, 1 1-16 inch;
- Coker Cleveland number 884-4, 1 1-16 inch;
- Coker Cleveland number 5-5, 1 1-32 to 1 1-16 inch;
- Carolina Foster number 5, 1 5-32 inch;
- Coker Foster number 6, 1 1-8 inch;
- Farm Relief, 1 1-16 to 1 3-32 inch;
- Humco Cleveland number 20-3, 31-32 to 1 inch.

Stanly County beekeepers have been studying better apary management with C. L. Sams, extension bee specialist at State College.

Closing Exercises at Gold Point School

Commencement exercises will be held in the Gold Point School Friday evening at 8 o'clock when a "Tom Thumb Wedding" will feature the program. The public is invited to attend.

Editor W. C. Manning Continues Ill at Home

Confined to his bed for nearly two weeks, W. C. Manning, editor of The Enterprise, was not feeling so well this morning, but his general condition was considered slightly improved. He has been suffering with a form of rheumatism and other ailments.

Halifax Farmers Interested In Producing Good Seeds

Halifax County farmers are showing more interest in producing certified seed for sale.

Heavy Grain Yields Are Expected In This State

Small grain crops over the State are expected to produce heavy yields this year.

Guernsey Auction To Be Held 9th

The fifteenth annual state sale of Guernsey cattle will be held at the Mahaley Building, Salisbury, May 9 at noon.

Forty choice Guernseys—19 cows, 18 heifers, and 3 yearling bulls—will be offered. All consignments are free from tuberculosis and are negative to the blood test, said R. H. Ruffner, head of the animal husbandry department at State College.

The animals have been selected by the sales committee, Ruffner said, and both beginners and established breeders should find them valuable additions to their herds.

Catalogs for the sale, which is considered the leading event in the progress of the Guernsey breed in North Carolina, may be obtained from W. W. Fitzpatrick, Rougemont, N. C.

Lespedeza Crop In Martin Is Best In Number Years

Good lespedeza growing weather this year has aided the balanced farming program in Martin County. The county agent says some of the lespedeza stands are the prettiest he has ever seen.

Use Good Seed For Sweet Potato Crop

The sweet potato grower who wishes to plant his entire crop from the first pulling of plants or sprouts from the seed bed, should bed from eight to ten bushels for each acre to be set. If two or three successive pullings are used, five to six bushels will produce enough plants to set one acre.

"However, only the best of seed should be used," says E. B. Morrow, extension horticulturist at State College. "Select medium-sized potatoes that are free from blemishes and disease. The Porto Rico No. 1 is well adapted to North Carolina conditions and certified seed of this variety are now available. It is well to bed the wanted for field setting. If the crop seed-seyed weeks before plants are to be grown from vine cuttings, bed the seed seven weeks before danger from frost is over. This will get early sprouts from which to grow the vines."

Mr. Morrow advises covering the seed bed with either cloth or glass. Some growers in the Tidewater section bed their potatoes in the field and cut vines directly from the row beds.

It is generally advisable to treat the seed with a mercury solution before bedding. This will kill all disease spores on the surface, but if the rots have penetrated the tissue, no treatment is effective. The mercury solution is prepared by dissolving four ounces of bichloride of mercury into 32 gallons of warm water. The water should be about 100 degrees F. in temperature. The seed sweets are soaked in this solution for 15 minutes. Dirty potatoes should be washed before treatment. The seed may be bedded immediately following treatment but not covered until they are dry. The mercury solution should be used the day it is prepared as it deteriorates rapidly. It is also a deadly poison if taken internally.

New Deal Play Witnessed By Number Here Tuesday

"A New Deal for the Housewife," a two-act comedy staged by the Westinghouse players under the sponsorship of the Virginia Electric and Power Company, in the school building here last Thursday afternoon, was well received by a large audience of housewives and others. Several prizes were awarded.

One Preaching Service In Baptist Church Sunday

There will be only the morning preaching service in the Baptist church Sunday, the pastor preaching the Cole-train commencement sermon Sunday night. The local congregation will be at liberty to hear Bishop Darst or to worship with some of the other congregations. The Sunday school and young peoples' meeting will be held at their usual times.

Petition Signed for Stokes-Spring Green Paved Road

A petition for the paving by the highway commission of the road from Stokes to Spring Green, through Robersonville, was signed by the Martin commissioners in special session here last Tuesday afternoon. The petition was presented to the board by Dr. V. A. Ward.

Local High School Team Loses to Elizabeth, City

The local high school baseball nine dropped another game yesterday, losing to Elizabeth City 11 to 1 at Elizabeth City. The Williamston boys were holding their opponents to an even count until about the fourth inning when they blew up and three runs were scored.

Plan Board of Education Meeting for Monday Week

Pending the passage of the omnibus bill appointing the members of the board of education, the regular meeting of the educational body scheduled for next Monday has been postponed. It will probably be held the following Monday.

The school bill, passed by the House yesterday and now before the Senate, provides for several changes in the administration of the schools, it is understood.

Rector Announces Schedule Episcopal Sunday Services

- Church of the Advent.
- Rev. E. F. Moseley, rector.
- Second Sunday after Easter:
- Church school, 9:45 a. m.
- Holy Communion and sermon, 11 a. m.
- Evening prayer and sermon and confirmation, 8 p. m.
- Holy Trinity Mission
- Sunday school and preaching at 2:30 p. m.

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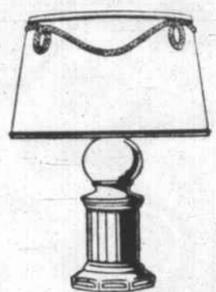
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