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4-H Club Members Hold Achievement Day Program Here

Miss Ruth Current in Splen-did Address Before County Youth Saturday

One hundred and three folks from Martin County were in attendance at the Annual Achievement Day held at the Williamston high school here last Saturday. The Home Demonstra-tion clubs held their first such day jointly with the 4-H clubs.

The meeting was opened at 10:30 a. m. when Mrs. Henry Early, president of the Home Demonstration Council, and Miss Vera Pearl Williams, president of the Girls and Boys 4-H County Council, called the meet-4-H County Council, called the meeting to order. Mayor John L. Hassell gave an excellent welcome address. The response was made by Mrs. Eason Lilley for the women and Alton Peel from the 4-H clubs.

Reports of Farm and Home Week and 4-H Short Course were made by Mrs. Eason Lilley, Aaron Gray and Lou Allie Taylor. The reports were interestingly given.

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The annual report of Home Demonstration acitvities was made by Mrs. Kader Lilley, of Williamston. Miss Vera Pearl Williams reported the activities of the 4-H organiza-

Mr. John I. Eagles introduced Miss Ruth Current, State Home Demonstration agent.

The principal address was given by Miss Ruth Current of Raleigh, State Home Demonstration agent. Miss Current gave a very interesting and practical talk, stressing the accomplishments and the objectives of 4-H clubs and Home Demonstration clubs and emphasizing the pledge of 4-H clubs who have pledged their organization, heads for clearer thinking, hearts to greater loyalty, hands to greater service and health to better living.

She cited the wonderful work of 4-H clubs and showed instances where members of this organization had risen to positions of responsi-bility and today there were as many as 40 home demonstration agents in our state who came out of 4-H clubs.

Among the objectives mentioned were a doubling of the membership during the coming year, better planning in the home and on the farm and more garden crops and more canning of fruits and vegetables, a great-en of farm tools and machinery next especially should great care be tak-en of far mtools and machinery next year even if we have the money to buy, they might not be obtainable. She said that every one on the farm

could do their bit in national defense by conserving everything in the home and on the farm. She was glad that the young people realized the crisis of the nation at this time and were facing the grave problems with courage and that it is in the youth of America that our hope is anchored to keep America safe and free.

Special guests were recognized. Mrs. John Biggs, first president of the Home Demonstration Council, was present for the day. Her pres-ence and kind remarks will long be

remembered. Several parents were among our guests for the day.

Awards of Merit were given the following women: Mrs. Kader Lilley, Williamston; Mrs. Helen Smith, Palmyra, and Mrs. Eason Lilley, Wil-

Ayers, Oak City; Audrey Hardison, Williamston; Vera Pearl Williams, Farm Life; Mary A. Manning, Farm Life, and Elsie Biggs, Robersonville, were awarded four year certificates.

Mae Moore, Jamesville; Avery Matthews, Robersonville; Ellen Clark, Everetts; Christine Lilley, Farm Life; Selma Tice, Farm Life Farease Manning, Farm Life; and Lou Allie Taylor, Robersonville,

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Renewing Drive On Illicit Business

Bobbing up here and there in the county during the illness of ABC Officer J. H. Roebuck, the Illicit liquor manufacturing business is now fac-ing a renewed attack, according to a report coming from the officer yes-

Hardly recovered from an appendicitis operation, the officer with as-sistants, has wrecked several plants in recent days, and if he has no relapse the raids will continue in an effort to curb an attempted comeback by the illicit operators.

Friday night near Dardens officers wrecked a plant and poured out 100 gallons of beer. Sunday afternoon, the raiders wrecked a plant on the Martin-Beaufort line near Sweet Home Church and captured a 100-gallon capacity kettle. The operators had just completed a "run" and the fire under the boiler was still

smoking. Yesterday afternoon Wheeler Smith, colored, was arrested by Deputy Roy Peel as he (Smith) was walking to the plant with a copper kettle on his back, making ready to er a year ago she was forced from start operations. A second man was her old home in the islands section at the plant but he escaped. The offior Williams Township by high wa-

Farm Defense Plans Russian Capital Is in Serious Way Before Renewed Nazi Drive Classified In County New Auto License Tags Go On Sale Here Next Monday

CAN'T WAIT

Ordinarily dropping complete-ly off at this time of the year, the sale of automobile licenses continues at a fairly swift pace at the Carolina Motor Club license bureau in the office of the Chamber of Commerce on Wash-

ington Street here this week. More than a dozen plates were sold last week-end, and several were sold yesterday or just one week before the new 1942 license tags go on sale. New car owners are spending from two to four dollars to operate their cars a week. The license is good until January 1, but the new ones can be used beginning next Monday.

Red Cross Canvass Progressing After Miserable Fashion

Total of \$146.08 Has Been Reported in County Chapter Up To This Time

Based on incomplete reports, the Red Cross annual membership roll call is progressing after a miserable fashion in this chapter. Assigned a quota of \$1,100 the chapter through its roll call canvassers yesterday an-nounced a total of \$146.08 collected. No public report has been filed by Harry Biggs, titular head of the drive in this county. Mr. Biggs, as far as it could be learned, has made no appeal, direct or indirect, in the name of suffering humanity or in support of the drive. Woman's club members, aiding the membership drive, have been the only ones heard from to date. The roll call is slated to end on Saturday of this week, and according to the last accounting, there is yet to be raised if the quota

is to be met a total of \$853.92.

The following members have been

reported enrolled: Mrs. W. J. Hodges, W. J. Hodges, E. M. Trahey, W. G. Peel, Mrs. Joe Harrison, Eugene Rice, C. B. Clark, Jr., M. C. Building and Loan Asso-ciation, Russell Roebuck, S. B. Lil-ley, Lawrence Lindsley, Robert Rog-erson, John Pope, J. W. Watts, John A. Manning, Miss Mildred Purvis, Garland Coltrain, D. R. Davis, Econ-omy Auto, Dr. John D. Biggs, J. D. Woolard, Herbert Clark, Williamston

Cafe and Nat Israel.
C. C. Martin, Enterprise Publishing Company, Miss Lillian Breen, W. H. Carstarphen, L. A. Clark, Dr. E. T. Walker, Mrs. Walker, Mrs. Edwin Holding, Dr. Rhodes, Belk-Tyler, N. K. Harrison, A. J. Manning, Jr., Mrs. Johnny Gurkin, John J. Gurkin, B. S. Courtney, Betty Courtney, H. O. Peel, G. A. Thorpe, Mrs. S. B. Eason, Mrs. Elva Williams, Christine Jenkins, Mrs. Wilda Harrell, Annie Jenkins, Mrs. Wilda Harrell, Mrs. Wilda Harrell, Annie Jenkins, Mrs. Wilda Harrell, Mrs. Wilda Harrell, Mrs. Wilda Harrell, Mrs. Wilda Harrell, Williams, Mrs. Wilda Harrell, Williams, Mrs. Wilda Harrell, Williams, Williams, Williams, Willa Harrell, Williams, Wi Mae Bailey and Central Service Sta-

Vernon Godwin, Eagles Store, Gar-land Woolard, Paul Simpson, Peele's,

Speight, V. E. Brown, R. L. Pate, Vic-tor Champion, J. F. Thigpen, T. J. Swain, Irving Margolis, Mack Simpson, Henry Manning, A. J. Summer-lin, D. L. Hardy, Mrs. Sam Edwards, Mr. Sam Edwards, Mrs. James Williams, Mesdames George Harrison, Charles Godwin, Sr., Hugh Burras and D. D. Stalls.

Mesdames A. R. Dunning, J. G. Staton, J. L. Rogerson, W. J. Smith, E. P. Cunningham, W. W. Tice, Hubert Coburn, W. T. Hurst and Miss Mary Alice Dunning, High school

Mrs. Sarah J. Perry Died Early Sunday The minister expressed an abiding faith in those unfortunates who are paying their debts to society. "Out

Mrs. Sarah Jane Perry, aged Williams Township resident and widow of Louis Perry, died at her home early Sunday morning following a long period of declining health. She was 75 years old, the daughter of the late Tom Harris and wife, of this county.

Funeral services were conducted at Riddick's Grove Baptist Church yesterday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock by Rev. W. B. Harrington, pastor. Burial was in the church cemetery.

Leading an unpretentious and humble life, Mrs. Perry had experienced many hardships in life. Her adversities were accepted without complaint. Some time ago she was hurt when a horse-drawn cart in which she was riding was struck by an automobile while she was going home from Williamston. A little ov-

Martin County Will Hardly Measure Up To All Expectations

Committee Visiting Farmers To Give Allotments, Discuss Defense Program

Plans for the 1942 farm defense program are being carried direct to Martin County farmers this week by members of the community commitees who are also releasing the 1942 allotments for cotton, peanuts and tobacco. Early reports are that this county will hardly measure up to all the defense requirements. While farmers have and are expressing a willingness to cooperate in the program, he reports state that they are asking information about prices, guarantees and profits.

Asked to plant 11,000 acres of pea-nuts in addition to their regular al-lotments, the early reports indicate that the surplus acreage will hard-ly exceed 4,500 acres. Agricultural authorities explained that the 11,000 acres would over-tax the land, and asked that the amount be reduced to 8,000 acres. It is possible that could be had on the few scattered returns coming in following the committee members' visits, that a greater participation in the food for depected in other areas. Out of the first twelve farmers questioned in one township, two said they could not plant land to peanuts for oil. One agreed to plant a lone acre for oil. Seven agreed to plant two acres each. and another said he would plant four icres for oil.

No check on other plantings could be had, but it is believed that a sizable increase will follow in the acre-age to be planted to soybeans. The farmers had little to say about increased milk production, but there is a fairly definite trend toward an increase in poultry and eggs. Possi-bly 45-cent eggs will support that

trend for the present, at least.

Participation in the farm defense program is entirely voluntary. If the farmers do not see their way clear to plant surplus acres to peanuts, soybeans and other designated crops and cooperate with other features of the plan there is absolutely nothing that any one can do about it.

The situation is being explained to the farmers, and it is entirely up

Issues Challenge

ast Sunday evening, Rev. Lawrence Jewelers, James H. Ward, Margolis A. Watts, head of the religious pro-Brothers, Soda Shop, Elbert Peel, E. gram for the North Carolina State Joe Gray Corey and R. L. Coburn.

Mesdames Frank Weaver, Dean in the prisons of our State.

The speaker, offering an interesting review of the penal system and describing conditions in some of the prison units as tragic, declared that few persons were jailed for stealing out of necessity. "They have not had the proper moral training in the home, the Sunday school or the church," the chaplain declared. There are three worlds in society today," Rev. Watts explained. "One of these worlds knows nothing about the Bible. The second knows about the Bible but is indifferent to its Mary Alice Dunning, Fagi.

lunch room, Whit Saunders, C. B. teachings. The third is one in which the faithful few are striving to leave a better posterity for others who follow," he said, pointing out that most of the prisoners comes from the first and second groups.

> of the 9,000 persons in the prisons of our State, I sincerely believe all but about 200 can be depended upon to contribute something good to society. If you were to open the prison gates tomorrow, all but abut 200 would remain and settle their debt

to society," he said.

He challenged the Christian peo-ple of this State to help rehabilitate the man or woman who returns from

Department Auditors In The District This Week

Headed by Chief Brooks Parham field auditors of the North Carolina State Department of Revenue are in the district this week clearing up delinquent special privilege license and sales tax accounts. The first settlements effected by the auditors on this trip were recorded here early yesterday morning. They will work cers confiscated the manufacturing ter. She continued to contribute to out of here during the next ten days equipment and poured out 1,400 galher support and even extended aid or two weeks in Bertie, Washington to others.

British and Nazis Struggle for Control of Libya in North Africa

Beating off constant attack for more than five months, embattled plight today before Moscow where they are fighting one of the most crit-ical battles of the war. Piercing the first lines of defense, the invaders bolstered by more than 600,000 fresh roops and about forty equipped tank divisions are gradually pushing on toward Moscow, some reports placing the Nazis within 35 miles of the key city. Russian authorities admitted today that Moscow's fate hangs in the balance. So serious is the situation before Moscow that counterattacks and southern flanks where the Rus sians made some progress in drivng the invading hordes back

Russian gains in the south were eassuring, and the defenders around Moscow with the aid of British tanks were said to be offering an increas-

ed resistance.

While the Russians are fighting effort to save their capital, British and Nazi forces are struggling for

end of 65 hours when their tank strength began to decline and infan-

Palmyra, and Mrs. Eason Lilley, Williamston.

Certificates were given 4-H girls as follows: Miss Lessie C. Edwards for five years' club work. Mildred

Dillon Cobb, Bill Keel, Rosa Johnson, for five years' club work. Mildred

A. Watts, nead of the religious problems for the North Carolina State gram for the Nort

ne is expected, Mr. Coburn should e able to return home within the next three weeks, according to a report coming from a member of the ospital staff this afternoon.

PARKING

"If voluntary cooperation in the movement calling for limited parking by local people fails to materialize between now and the week-end, it is quite likely that representatives of the local Chamber of Commerce will appear before the board of comm sioners next Monday and de-mand police action," a repre-sentative of the organization was quoted as saying today.

Since the voluntary action was suggested last week, many local people have cooperated, but it is understood that a few have insisted on leaving their cars parked in the main business districts for hours at a time.

Total Of 2,800 Men Classified In This County Up To Date

Ninety-Eight Men Placed in 1-A Group Subject To Physical Examination

Meeting in special session last Frilay night, the Martin County Draft Board made ready to meet any man-power demand from the Army. Chairman R. H. Goodmon annound ing that ninety-eight additional mer balance. So serious is the situation before Moscow that counterattacks have been necessary on the northern and southern flanks where the Bus ing with Order Number 2,300, the board classified 500 men. After leaving the 2,800 number, the board re lassified 28 registrants, 23 of the lat ter number falling into Class 3-A principally because they had married since their first classification. All of the 23 were white.

A review of the classifications by with their backs to the wall in an race, follows: 4-F, 21 white and 119 colored: 3-A, 179 white and 72 colored: ored; 2-A, six white and one color-ed; 1-A, 51 white and 47 colored; 1-H The forces are fighting what has been described as a "show-down battle" with American tanks taking part asked that the 8,000 acres. It is possible that the with All the with All the with All the beauth alf of that acreage will be in great numbers for the British. Both sides are said to have lost heavily in the more than two-day battle, those men who were found to be 28 years or more of age. A married man the fury of which had never before the price of the British. The said the sai been seen in the desert.

The British were said to be hard pressed in the African fight at the cations are announced subject to physical examination, meaning that other recess following a brief ses-if a man in that tentative classifica-sion yesterday morning. Idle today,

day evening at eight o'clock. Mrs. W. O. Griffin, president, will pre-side over the business session which will be devoted to matters pertain-ing to the future of the band, after which color films made of the band during its participation in the elaborate home-coming parade in Durham last month will be shown the assem-

bled group.
Officers of the association and Diector J. F. Butler are urging that all band parents be present for the

Associate Farm Supervisor Enters Upon Duties Here

Mr. Charles F .Stewart has enterd upon his new duties here as associate farm security supervisor for this county, succeeding Mr. J. C.

Swain to Halifax County.

Coming here from Tarboro, Mr.

Stewart and Mrs. Stewart are now

SHIPMENT

The first shipment of articles manufactured by the Martin County Chapter production unit of the Red Cross was sent to New Jersey for transfer to war-torn Europe recently, Mrs. A. R. Dunning, chairman, announced to-day. The shipment included 25 mufflers, 15 shawls, 16 sweaters and 13 beanies or caps. The chairman is urging all those who are working on garments to have them ready for shipment by December 15th.

Very few persons are working in the production center, one willing lady after stating it was too hot to work last summer stated now that it is too cold. There is much work to be done, Mrs. Dunning explains.

Court Takes Recess Following Session Yesterday Morning

Jury Hears Lone Case, But Number of Others Are Settled By Agreement

Holding forth an hour or two last week before quitting for the Thanks-giving holidays, the Martin County Superior court in special session for

Make Changes In **Bus Station Here**

Crowded conditions in and around the local bus station of the Norfolk Southern Bus Corporation will be greatly relieved following the completion of an improvement program now underway. The interior of the station has been slightly altered, and the loading operations now being handled on all sides will be center-ed principally in the rear and on one side of the station.

loading and unloading sheds are being built back of the station. The new improvements will make it possible to load and unload seven busses at one time without parking some of Brown and John D. Mason, all of this county, succeeding and the project will be Baltimore; James Henry Chance, of Coming here from Tarboro, Mr. Stewart and Mrs. Stewart are now at home in a Williamston apartment on Main Street.

Deen handled and the project will be Baltimore; James Henry Chance, of completed within the next week or Route 2, Robersonville, and Moses ten days, Foreman Kader Rogerson Alexander Staton, of Route 1, James-ville.

Lower Rates To Go in Effect For Tags Used On Strictly Farm Owned Trucks

week when the local bureau of the the new tags in the office of the lo-cal Chamber of Commerce office chronicling the passing of the old and the coming of a new year in cer-

hamber of Commerce secretary and nanager of the license bureau in the C. O. Moore Grocery Company build ing on Washington Street. Several obacconists, leaving for Kentucky his week end, have applied for h censes, but none will be issued be-fore next Monday when it will be lawful to display the new black numbers on a yellow or near-orange

Advising the general public that to checks will be accepted. Manager smith points out that the early purthase of the tags will enable car owners to avoid the usual last-min-Tag prices remain the same for

942 as they were in 1941 except for rucks operated strictly for individ al farm purposes. The reduction in he prices of farmers' truck tags is a bit misleading, and as a whole will of motor vehicle operators. Each

charments, he will be placed in a contraction by recover and direct place. But the court for a place of the place of the court for a place of the court for a place of the place of the court for a place of the place of the

Leave December 5

Twelve colored selectees are to eave this county for the Army's in-luction center at Fort Bragg on Friday, December 5th, Draft Board Clerk Marion Cobb announced this

norning.

For the first time there isn't a sinvolunteer in the group.

No call for white selectees has been received for December.

Names of the selectees to leave the county on Friday of next week are: A greater part of the main street Percy Horton, of Route 1, Palmyra; lot will be paved and surfaced and Benjamin Fairfax Hyman, of Route