

Greater Demand For Tires And Tubes Is Reported In County

Applications For Thirty-three Tires and Thirty-four Tubes Pending

The rubber shortage is coming home fast to an ever-increasing number of Martin County motor vehicle operators...

Car rationing was instituted in the county this week for the first time...

Tires and tubes were rationed to the following this week:

Town of Williamston, one truck tube. Dr. E. T. Walker, of Williamston, four car tires and four tubes.

W. A. Perry, of Bear Grass, one tire (retread) for general farm hauling.

W. H. Rogers, of Bear Grass, one truck tire (retread) for farm hauling.

Martin County Board of Education, fifteen bus tires (retreads).

Jesse Harrell, of Palmyra, two obsolete trailer tires and one tube for hauling farm produce.

B. B. Taylor, Hamilton, two obsolete trailer tires and tubes for general farm use.

Eli Rodgers, Robersonville, two obsolete trailer tires and tubes for general farm use.

Martin County Board of Education, two bus tires and six bus tire tubes.

Martin County Transfer Company, Robersonville, two truck tires and two tubes for general hauling.

H. W. Barber, Jamesville, two truck tires and two tubes, for hauling pulp wood and farm produce.

W. E. Dudley, Williamston, one truck tire and tube for hauling produce and fertilizer.

Slade-Rhodes and Co., Hamilton, two truck tires and two truck tubes for general hauling.

Frank Fagan Carstarphen, Williamston, one truck tire and tube, for hauling fuel.

The following applications were filed Monday and were left pending along with 11 others previously filed:

H. L. Davis, Jamesville, two truck tires and tubes; J. S. Whitman, Robersonville, one truck tire and tube; Johnson Milling Co., Robersonville, three truck tires and three tubes; W. B. Harrington, Griffins Township, two passenger tires and tubes; Roy Peel, Williamston, two truck tires and two truck tubes; Dr. J. T. Llewellyn, four passenger car tires and tubes.

The board now has applications for eighteen truck tires and fifteen truck tire tubes, fourteen car tires and 14 car tire tubes, and one trailer tire.

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Former Local Man Hurt In Explosion

Hugh B. Anderson, former local man, was painfully but not seriously injured in the explosion that jarred a large portion of Johnston County early last Saturday morning.

The young man was rooming in the Talton Hotel not far from the scene of the explosion.

A truck, loaded with thirty thousand pounds of munitions, and an automobile crashed at the road intersection near Selma about 1:15 that morning and caught fire.

The driver of the car, Mrs. Minnie Lewis, of Raleigh, was killed, but the driver of the truck was not hurt.

Sunday, the sightseers turned out in numbers, the estimated 200,000 blocking highways for miles and miles.

Judge Coburn Taking Action To Aid Conservation Of Sugar

Judge Robert L. Coburn announced in open court this week a program designed to conserve sugar for legitimate trade uses.

No test case has been before the court since the rationing of sugar was proposed, but it is quite likely that an illicit liquor plant operator will fare bad at the hands of the judge.

At the present time, the court is centering its attention on the detail liquor business, the judge believing that if the retailer is forced out of business the manufacturer will soon close up, too.

Judge Coburn announced that a retailer of illicit liquor convicted in his court is to expect a minimum fine of \$100 or six months on the roads or both.

The stand against the illicit liquor, be it for the conservation of sugar or for controlling the illicit liquor traffic, is the most stringent ever taken in this county.

Conservation District Proposed For County

CANDIDATE



W. Iverson Skinner, prominent Williamston business man and tobaccoist, formally announced his candidacy today for a seat in the North Carolina Legislature from this county...

Julius D. Hardison Dies at Daughter's Home In County

Funeral for Aged Citizen and Unusual Character Is Held Monday

Julius D. Hardison, numbered among the county's oldest residents and an unusual and very likeable character, died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. W. J. Gardner...

The son of the late Lewis and Martha Gardner Hardison, he was born in this county 84 years ago, the thirtieth of next May.

SERVICE

A memorial service will be held in the Farmale Methodist Church next Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock for Murry R. Cargile, young son of Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Cargile...

Will Hold Hearing On Proposed Plans Next Friday Night

County-wide Referendum To Be Held Within the Next Few Weeks

Martin County may be made a unit of the Soil Conservation Service in the near future if plans now in progress proceed as planned...

Organization of a district for this county will culminate efforts begun several months ago in a movement started by Brandon and a group of local farmers.

E. B. Garrett, State Coordinator, and E. H. Meacham, Soil Conservation Specialist of State College, visited the county last week...

"Briefly speaking," Brandon says, "a Soil Conservation District is a land unit generally a major watershed in which the farmers have organized themselves into a legally constituted, cooperative association..."

Brandon said yesterday that there is now a good likelihood that this district will be secured for the county. Establishment of a district here would give the county one and possibly two additional men to aid in carrying out conservation work...

The need for such work in the county and the demand for assistance in making complete farm plans has greatly increased, Brandon says.

Although the topography of this county lends itself well to intensive farming the ravage of erosion takes a heavy annual loss. Most people think of erosion in the form of gullies, but this is only one form in which the damage is done.

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No Clew Found In Soda Shop Robbery

Local police were without the first clew to the robbery of the Soda Shop on Main Street here last Thursday night or Friday morning.

Tearing two bars from a rotten window sill in the back of the building, the robber easily gained an entrance. Reaching a partition door he carved a hole through a beaver-board transom and headed for the cash register.

Shortages Are Now Being Felt On The Home Store Shelf

Increasing Necessity of Home Sacrifices Is Becoming More Apparent

The increasing necessity for Home Front sacrifice is apparent from scores of WPB and Office of Price Administration orders new and old, orders which add up to less for everybody.

For a long while shortages, except in tires and automobiles, were just something to talk about. The output of one product after another might be curtailed or cut off at the source, at the factory, but there was still plenty of stock on the retailer's shelves...

Men's clothing, for instance. The Army and Navy need more and more new wool. So under the new plan worked out with the textile manufacturing industry, after March 30th trousers will be cuffless, suitcoats will be about an inch shorter, there'll be no patch pockets, pleats, tucks, bellows, gussets.

On the up-side of production, labor organizations in the copper mining industry have offered full cooperation, according to Sidney Hillman, WPB's Labor Director.

Because a lot has happened on the motor vehicle front, little of it especially cheering to the average citizen, it is pleasant to record that we've a new medium tank in mass production in the Midwest.

That's one of the ways our steel and rubber goes—to make 45,000 tanks this year. It's easy to understand why WPB prohibits manufacture of medium trucks after delayed February quotas are completed.

Among the developments last week which affect most of us, in one way or another, OPA's action in

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Local People Sign Up For First Aid Course In County

Sam S. Howell, Red Cross Field Representative, To Conduct Classes

Numbers of local people are signing up for special first aid courses to be offered in this county by Sam S. Howell, Red Cross field representative, beginning March 23rd.

The vital role the Red Cross is playing in training the public for civil defense was pointed out today by J. C. Manning, chairman of the Martin County chapter, in announcing the series of classes in first aid to be sponsored by the local chapter.

"We feel that our local chapter will be performing a distinct and much-needed service to the community and to civilian defense by training everyone in the rudiments of first aid," the chairman said.

"At Red Cross National Headquarters in Washington reports are received daily recounting instances in which first aid training is saving lives and preventing accidents and permanent injuries."

Despite the threatened curtailment of automobiles for private use, automobile accidents show no evidence of decreasing either in number or seriousness, he pointed out.

Extensive Collection Of Waste Materials Planned In County

An all-out collection of waste materials, including scrap iron, metals, rubber and waste paper, was discussed by the recently appointed salvage committee for this county in a meeting at the agricultural building last Friday evening.

During the meantime, the collection of scrap iron and metals is gaining momentum in the county, one of the Williamston dealers reporting deliveries in excess of 50,000 pounds in a single day last week.

Reclassify Number Of Registrants In County

Serial Numbers Are Assigned To Recent County Registrants

Order Numbers To Be Determined by National Drawing Next Tuesday

Draft machinery in Martin County is beginning to turn in high gear after a reported lull during the past few months.

The first ten serial numbers were assigned as follows:

- T 1—Jay D. Leggett, R.F.D. 2, Williamston. T 2—Regdin Luelyn Leggett, R.F.D. 2, Williamston. T 3—William Asa Taylor, R.F.D. 1, Oak City.

Reclassifications, handled by the board at its meeting last night because of changes of deferment status or by registrants' special request were announced, as follows:

- Jesse Scott, Oak City—1-A. Chas. B. Pittman, Oak City—1-A. Daniel Coble Sharpe, of Williamston and Greenville—2-A, which gives him a 60-day deferment. Jos. Cleophas Revels, R.F.D. 1, Williamston—1-A.

Woodrow Wilson Beard, Williamston—1-A. Warren Ray Allen, R.F.D. 3, Williamston—1-A.

David John Cherry, Everettts—3-A. Jeffrey Lawrence Taylor, Robersonville—1-A.

Burke Felix Peed, Williamston—1-A. Hubert Thomas Cooke, Williamston—1-A.

Whit Coffield Purvis, of Williamston and New River—1-A. William Thomas Crawford, Williamston—1-A.

Geo. Hyman Harrison, Jr., Williamston—1-A. Thomas Frederick Grimes, R.F.D. 2, Williamston—1-A.

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Slight Fire Damage At Peanut Factory

Thought to have been started by a spark, fire slightly damaged the top floor ceiling in the Williamston Peanut Company plant yesterday afternoon about 4 o'clock.

The fire, confined between two rafters, charred about fifteen feet of the ceiling before the automatic sprinkler system responded.

Commenting on the fire, Chief G. P. Hall was certain the sprinkler system saved the building, that it would have been next to impossible for local volunteer firemen to effectively fight a fire in the tall building during the strong wind that was sweeping out of the west at the time.

scrap in the county." Roy Ward and W. K. Parker, scrap iron dealers in Williamston, said this week.

The Williamston Parts and Metal Company on West Main Street is making ready to receive waste papers by Saturday of this week.

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Disturbing Reports For Allies Coming From the War Front

Successes Reported by American Submarine Fleet in Far East Waters

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Thirteen Marriage Licenses Issued In County in February

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Thirteen licenses were issued, six to white and seven to colored couples, in this county last month by Register of Deeds J. Sam Getsinger, as follows:

White Joseph Hardison and Ruby Lee Padgett, both of Jamesville. Leslie David Coltrin and Lillian

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Sugar Rationing Custodian Named

While definite instructions are still being awaited, plans for handling the sugar rationing program in this county are being advanced.

The sugar rationing stamps, supposed to have been placed in the mails last week, have not yet arrived.

Awaiting the institution of the rationing system, local people with some few exceptions, of course, are already cooperating in the conservation of the sweet tooth food.

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USE DISCRETION

In bundling up their old papers and waste materials for sale to scrap dealers, Martin County citizens are earnestly urged to use marked discretion and reserve those papers that carry a high potential value.

When cleaning out the attic, one is urged to make certain about the value of old papers and manuscripts before selling them for junk.

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