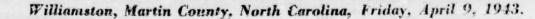
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THE ENTERPRISE



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FOR VICTORY UNITED STATES WAR BONDS-STAMPS

Thirty Civil Cases Awaiting Trial In **The Superior Court**

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Calendar Carries Little Interest and Small Crowds Expected for Term

All-Out Support Is Urged For \$328,800.00 Special War Bond Issue Opening in This County on **Monday of Next Week** After running in excess of assign- The county fell considerably below

County During Past Month

ed quotas for the past lew months, its quota for March. As far as it could war bond purchases sagged consid-be learned the "E" Bond quota was Thirty cases have been placed on the calendar for trial in the superior court during the two weeks term opening here next Monday. Judge the sales amounted to only \$34,- special bond quota. Richard D. Dixon, of Edenton, is 587.50. With a record snorter to hanscheduled to preside over the term. The caler dar, for the most part, carries cases of little interest to the general public, and no large crowds are whatever their motive might be for North Carolina has a \$112,000,000 expected to hear the proceedings. withdrawing from the bond market it will be reflected in the sales be-being asked to buy bonds to the tune bicycles. Several divorce cases are slated for trial, but in most instances the court inning next Monday. actions are based on minor cialms.

of \$328,800. It is a sizable sum all Sales were reported last month as right, but one must remember that tas, the rationing board this week peanuts, dry beans, peas, soybeans On potatoes the incentive pay-About one of the largest suits is the one brought by Geo. Jenkins follows: Robersonville: Guaranty this is a sizable war the world has rationed an increased number of new the one brought by dec. Jenkins against J. G. Staton. The plaintiff claims he rented a farm from the defendant for 1942, that before the the County and his assist-defendant for 1942, that before the the County and his assist-defendant for 1942, that before the the County and his assist-the claims he rented a farm from the the county and his assist-the county as a maximum the county as a m terms of the contract were met the tin County Building and Loan Asso- ants are looking to all the people for defendant sold the farm, causing him ciation, \$1,518.75, and Branch Bank- an all-out support in the urgent bus-(the plaintiff) to lose about \$2,000. ing and Trust Company, \$12,350.00. iness.

The damage suit brought by Jas. T. Spencer against W. S. Gurganus involves about the second largest claim scheduled for consideration in the court. The plaintiff alleges that as a result of the defendant's negligence he wrecked his truck, causing a resulting property loss of \$350 and personal damage in the sum of \$1,000. The accident took place near

In the suit of Jos. Wiggins against Sanford Roberson, the plaintiff is claiming possession of 2 1-4 acres of land.

Jake Ruffin in his case against Samuel Ruffin is asking the court to set aside a deed to a house and lot on the claim that he is half own- J. C. Manning Re-elected Head er of the property.

Cary S. Jenkins is asking an accountancy of the settlement of the estate of the late Geo. B. Steele in the case against Allie R. Steele.

Suing the Martin County Bottling Works, Howell House claims he is due \$720 under the terms of a contract entered into with the defendant.

Based on two years of separation, ported by the various district comthe following divorce cases are mittees, it was learned, and is in scheduled for trial: Garland Perry Reeping with similar action taken aga...st Alice Hodges Perry; David throughout the State. Commenting Bowen against Ruby Mae Bowen; on the request, Superintendent J. C. and Mrs. Perlie Stocks against Josh Manning pointed out that the teacher shortage problem is very likely Stocks.

Three cases brought by Brown, to be far more serious this coming Brown and Ellis against Sam God- term than it was last, that in those

Number of New Car Price Increases Allowed For Nazis Are Believed War Bond Sates Lag In This

> Tires Are Allotted Several Essential War Crops To Be Making Their By Ration Board Seven-Cent Floor Ordered Placed Under Peanuts with \$8.40 Last Move In Africa Per Hundred As a Maximum According to Liberal Quotas Being Made British Lose 21 Planes in The Various Grades and Types Available to County for Month of April

assigned the county for April, but

dle beginning next Monday, Martin this nation are to enter upon an all- trucks: 63 new tires, 66 recaps and County people apparently went light out bond purchasing task. Thirteen 49 tubes. Four tires have also been ious announcements, the special list would have received a bonus of \$30 on the purchases last month, but billion dollars are to be raised. allotted for farm machines. The to include potatoes, carrots, snap an acre for a portion of his crop. and the county is being allowed 25

On the basis of the liberalized quo-

were rationed to the following:

State Highway and Public Works Commission, Tarboro, three tires. C. S. Vanlandingham, RFD 1, Wiliamston, two tires and two tubes. A. Corey, Jamesville, two tires and ne tube for minister. W. J. Beach, Hamilton, two tires P. M. Holliday, Jamesville, three tires and three tubes. W. O. White, Williamston, tire for transporting labor.

G. C. Godard, Williamston, one tire and one tube for hauling labor. Joseph Mizelle, RFD 1, Jamesville, hree tubes. Mary Louise Taylor, one tire and

one tube. New truck tires were issued to the

ollowing: Edgar Harrell, Oak City, one tire. Edgar Davis, Hamilton, one tire. Holt Evans, Williamston, one tire

Williamston Supply Co., one tube. M. W. Bissell, RFD 1, Jamesville, one tire and one tube.

N. C. Green, Agent, Williamston, two tires and two tubes.

Five recapped truck tires were allowed the Williamston Peanut Company for trucks.

Grade II tires and new tubes were allotted the following: O. S. Green, RFD 1, Williamston,

two tires. J. R. Smith, Robersonville, four

tires and two tubes. Daniel G. Griffin, RFD 2, William-

ston, four tires. Horton Modlin, RFD 1, Jamesville,

T. H. Brown, RFD 1, Jamesville,

Fenner Respass, Williamston, four

Grade III tires were rationed as

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Larger Catches Are

Expected by Fishery

Reduced almost to a bare mini-

mum during the past few days, fish

catches in the Roanoke are expect-

ed to undergo a marked increase

with a return of warm weather.

Freezing temperatures all but wiped

week, and only small catches are be-

ing made today, according to a re-

port direct from the fishery at James-

ville today. Between 300 and 1,200

herring were being taken at a "haul"

this morning with the number of

rock ranging from four to twelve.

Smokehouse hasn't started as yet,

but visitors are expected to start

is fairly apparent that the supply

will not be sufficient to go 'round.

The annual trek to the Roanoke

two tires.

wo tires.

tires.

ville, two tires.

Col. Roosevelt Writes

SIX WAACS

According to an unofficial re-

port, six Martin County young

women volunteered their serv-

ices in the Woman's Auxiliary

Army Corps during a one-day recruiting stand here yesterday.

The names of the volunteers

could no be learned. Lt. Olga B.

Taylor and her two assistants

interviewed a large number of

prospects during the day. It is

understood that the recruiters

plan to return here the latter

part of this month to interview

Opening the first WAAC re-

cruiting station here, the party

yesterday attracted much atten-

tion, especially from the male

species. One man is said to have

visited the post office a dozen times presumably for his mail

but morn'n likely to learn more

about the WAACs. The recruit-

ers were guests of the Lions at a

Calls Eight Cases

In County's Court

Long Road Term and Substan-

tial Fine Feature Judg-

ments Last Monday

Calling eight cases, Judge J. C.

Smith held the county court in ses-

sion the better part of two hours

last Monday with only a fair-sized

crowd present for the proceedings.

A long road sentence and a substan-

tial fine featured the judgments

handed down by his honor. Solicitor

Paul D. Roberson prosecuted the

Charged with bastardy, Charlie

Staton pleaded not guilty. The evi-

dence did not support the plea and

the defendant was sentenced to the

roads for six months, Judge Smith

suspending the road term on condi-

Williams for the support of their

child during the next six months. He

is to reappear at the end of that time

Charged with drunken driving,

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for further judgment.

special dinner last evening.

Simon J. Barber, RFD 1, James- Judge J. C. Smith

docket.

Proceedings:

other prsopective recruits.

cabbage, onions and green peas. Offer tion the direct price increase affects moisture content.

and flaxseeds. A seven-cent floor ments will be 50 cents per bushel on

Of County Boy's Death

Price boosts have been announced | Previously the government had guar-A marked improvement in the for several farm crops by Food Ad-rubber situation is reflected in the ministrator Chester C. Davis, the Virginia type and \$122 for the run-ners, the increase being \$8 per ton Battered and in slow but relentses retreat, the Nazi hordes in North tire and tube quotas allotted this out-and-out increases substituting in each case. These figures are only erably in this county last month. Ac- assigned the county for April, but the demand can county for the current month. The for the \$100,000,000 incentive pay- government guarantees, meaning Africa are believed now to be on county is being allowed, for cars: 95 ments proposed by the Department that the open market is free to boost that the open market is free to boost prices to the maximum of \$8.40 per Beginning April 12, the people of Grade III tires and 122 tubes, and for other instances, incentive payments hundred, the ceiling price. Under the will be allowed according to prev- incentive plan, the peanut grower

new car allotment for April is four, beans, lima beans, beets, tomatoes, Soybean prices were boosted from \$1.70 to \$1.80 per bushel, the guarboost produc- antee being based on 14 per cent

Personal Letter To

Mr. Whit Moore Was

Received This Week

Marine Roland Moore, RFD

3, Williamston, Was Friend

Of President's Son

Following a brief message an-

ouncing the death of his son, Rol-

Moore, of RFD 3, Williamston, this

week received a personal letter from

the youth's commanding officer,

Roosevelt, the letter appears through

the courtesy of Mr. Moore, as fel-

things for me, and I felt secure in

His drowning occurred while I was

away from camp on a reconnaissance

mission. Roland had been assigned

to the range for firing practice and

he and his group were returning to

camp with their full equipment. Just

before reaching camp it was neces-

sary to cross a deep swift stream

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local civic organization.

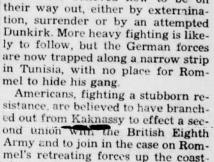
er said.

recruits.

called to the attention of the mem-

prepared for the job to be done.

Dear Mr. Moore:



Carrying Fight to the

Ruhr Last Night

mel's retreating forces up the coastal road. Between twenty and twen-Live thousand of the enemy have been taken prisoners since the fall of the Mareth line to the British, and large amounts of equipment have been abandoned by the fleeing German columns. Back in Germany, the people are being prepared for the shocking news of a complete defeat of the Axis armies or what is left of 250,000 men.

Squeezing in on the enemy on three fronts, the Allies are now moving to block any evacuation plans Rommel may have for his men. British battleships and a large British carrier have joined with other flotilla off Tunis and Bizerte to challeneg an evacuation attempt. There is some talk about the Italian fleet making ready for an engagement, and it is possible that Mussolini at the bidding of Hitler will run his battle fleet into action to cover the retreat across the Mediterranean.

The situation in Africa looks good today, but military authorities cast a shadow over the report with the admission that Allied losses have been

and Moore, by drowning, Mr. Whit heavy. It is now thought that Marshal Rommel, commander of the Afrika Korps, and Marshal von Arnim, com-Colonel James Roosevelt. Express- mander of the German Tunisian Aring the great esteem in which the my, have already deserted or are planning to desert the hot spot in lad was held by the son of President Tunisia and leave an Italian general to fight a delaying action. The two German generals are converging on In the Field, March 22, 1943. Italy to make ready a defense against

invasion there.

After a three-day rest, the British It is my sad duty to inform you of the death, by drowning, in the bomber forces went back into action line of duty, of your son Pfc. Roland last night. Four hundred planes attacked the industrial Ruhr Valley

the county home on October 31, Name Committees In Six Districts **For Coming Year**

of County Schools for Next Two Years

Meeting in regular session this week, the Martin County Board of Education prepared a formal request calling for a nine months school throughout the county during the 1943-44 term. The request was sup-

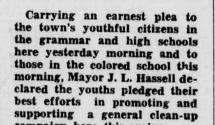
pulpits.

Carrying an eranest plea to ises and eliminate health dangers.

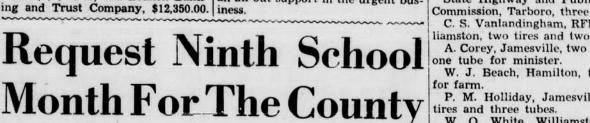
RESPONSE

Convinced that cleanliness is next to godliness, Mayor Hassell is appealing to the ministerial forces of the town to support the clean-up movement from their

"We had too many mosquitoes last year to sit idly by and let 'em take us again this season," Mayor Hassell said in directing an appeal to everyone to get



nd one tube. campaign here this spring.



ard, the defendants are asking damcounties where the authorities reages alleged to have resulted from quest only an eight months school the burning of their lands by the defendant's agents.

Grady James in his case against Aaron Biggs is suing for \$1,500 allegedly due him for caring for a child of the daughter of the defendant sible to end the term about the midfrom 1937 to October, 1942.

Claiming he bought a farm from the county are not closing this year M. D. Wilson at a stipulated price, until about May 5.

Ben Biggs is now suing the Wilson Strange as it may seem, the strongestate for a deed. A similar case is est support for the longer term was being brought against the estate by said to have come from those dis-C. C. Whitfield. He is not suing for tricts where farming is the main busa deed, but is asking to be reimbursiness of the patrons. ed for improvements made in the While several schools in the coun-

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Receive Three Fire erintendent of the county system for **Calls In A Row Here** the coming two years. In setting up the machinery for

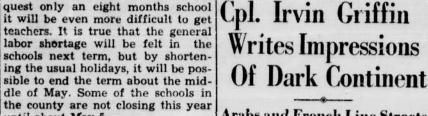
operating the schools next term, the The town's fifteen-year-old fireeducation board appointed commitfighting apparatus was thoroughly teemen for the six main districts and aired yesterday and last night when the four sub-divisions. Very few the volunteers answered three alarms. The machine sputtered and balked one time, but the missions were executed without loss or sizable damage.

Yesterday afternoon, the firemen were called to a small grass and trash fire back of the old Greene Oil Station next to the Carolina Tobacco Warehouse on Washington Street. A few squirts of water brought the fire under control.

A few hours later the firemen were called to the humble home of Tempie Biggs on South Pearl Street. Starting from a defective flue, the Wednesday afternoon at 3:15 o'clock. fire burned a small place in the at- The vehicle drivers and a passenger tic. A few boards were ripped off miraculously escaped unhurt, but the and the fire was checked with a few property damage will exceed \$1,000, well-aimed squirts of water. Shortly after midnight, the auto-

Goldie Ormond, operating the matic fire alarm sounded in the Chevrolet, was driving out of the plant of the Williamston Peanut Whitley driveway when Sam Rob-Company, and it was followed by a erson, colored man known as "Cry general alarm. Starting either from ing Sam", rounded the curve with machinery friction or a stray spark, the big log truck and plowed into fire burned about sixteen square the lighter machine. Nosing its way general alarm. Starting either from fire burned about sixteen square the lighter machine. Nosing its way feet in the ceiling and roof of the into the side of the light truck, the fourth story. Catching between two big Mack picked it up and carried it automatic sprinkler outlets, the fire down the highway for a distance of had not gained enough headway to about 150 feet, both machines comtrip the automatic system before it ing to 2 stop in a ditch with their was discovered and brought under horns locked. The occupants crawlcontrol with a small hose and ex- ed out under their own power and tinguishers. without a scratch or bruise

A general alarm was sounded here Two salvage crews worked for last Tuesday afternoon at 2:20 nearly two hours clearing the wreck. o'clock when fire threatened a slice The Williamston Supply Company, of the business district in Roberson- owners of the light truck, are findville. The company was preparing to ing it difficult to replace the wreck-make the run when the chief was ad- ed machine. Critcher Brothers, ownunder control. A filling station on the to have replaced their loss with a second-hand machine. street burned There.



Arabs and French Line Streets **To Welcome American Ex**peditionary Forces

"My old ideas about Africa have changed considerably," Cpl. Tech. Irvin Griffin, local young man, points ty once operated for nine months out in a second of a series of letters under special tax supplements, it is to The Enterprise. Written under the first time that the long term has been scheduled for most of them. date of March 11, the interesting letter follows: J. C. Manning was re-elected sup-

I am getting along fine and hope you are the same. There is nothing out the herring catches earlier in the new to write about so I will try to give my impressions of North Afri-

Needless to say, my old ideas about Africa have changed considerably since arriving. I had always thought of Africa as the "Dark Continent," with the great desert, the jungles in the interior, the diamond mines in Trucks Demolished the interior, the diamond mines in the south, and the pyramids in Egypt. thought it was always hot with the

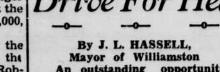
Two trucks, a big Mack loaded with logs and a ton and one-half

Chevrolet operating empty, were demolished when they crashed on Highway 125 in front of the J. S. it was estimated.



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An outstanding opportunity for patriotic and public service which will be an active aid to the war effort from the home front, and at the same time definitely promote public welfare, health and safety in our town is to inaugurate a clean up cam-

paign. Conservation of existing property and critical materials contained in that property, salvage, promotion of the public health and safety, fire prevention and inspiration of the public morale is the goal set in our clean up

campaign this spring. Let us put our property into safe and sanitary condition, remove insect breeding menaces, cut pollen bearing weeds, destroy disease bearing germs and increase human efficiency.

All yards, back lots, vacant lots and vacant store lots must be cleared of trash and rubbish which, if not attended to, is likely to menace health and result in accidents and make a fine breeding place for mosquitoes and other insects.

The Town Commissioners have again this year put on a Mosquito Control Drive which proved very effective last year and special attention should be directed to open cesspools and pools of stagnant water in lots, ditches, cans, barrels, tubs and junk piles.

Without the cooperation of our citizens we cannot make this campaign a success.

We are again making war on rats as we find the last campaign proved most successful. Rat infestation of premises usually can be traced to some condition favorable to them. Removal of this condition discourages their presence and helps permanent reduction.

The loss of work hours due to accidents and sickness is a direct aid to our enemies, therefore all hazardous conditions that endanger our homes, our health, our lives, must be eliminated.

We are asking all citizens to join wholeheartedly in this effort to clean up our town and make it a sanitary and more healthful place to live.

Plant your vacant lots in Victory Gardens as food is a weapon of war and food will help win the war.

Let us clean up and where possible, paint up.

Moore, U.S.M.C. I'm writing you this personal note for I feel you would and laid waste factories. The attackwant to know the circumstances and ers lost 21 of their planes. because I wanted to tell you person-

Large forces of Canadians and Fighting French landed this week ally how deep a regard I had for him. Roland has been my orderly and in England, and it is enderstood that friend ever since the formation of more Americans have landed on forthe battalion. He had exhibited a eign soil during the past few weeks, high degree of devotion to duty, an indicating that a continued offensive intelligent application of initiative, is to be expected after the mopping and a good humor and cheerfulness ap operations are completed in Tunin all he did which endeared him to is

There is a lull or, the eastern front all of us. He did so many little with fighting limited to patrol acknowing he would always have us tion. The Russians are biding their chance to continue their drive on

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Twenty-Seven Men Enter The Service

Roland evidently slipped and hit his An official audit just released by head on his rifle. The blow evidentthe draft board shows that twenty-Ty stunned him sufficiently to make seven Martin County white men were him unable to float or swim with recently accepted for service in the the weight of his equipment. His call armed forces. Approximately 55 men reported to the induction center last week, the twenty-seven men tion that he pay the costs of the case and \$1 a week to Emma Blanche Local Lions Observe who passed the examinations re-turning last Tuesday for active serv-Sixth Anniversary

James Nicholas Hardison, Joseph Elbert Ward and Ollis Lilley were accepted by the Marine Corps, and

The Williamston Lions Club cele James Dawson Rogerson and Chas. prated its 6th anniversary here last Thomas Mizelle entered the Navy. night entertaining the wives and The following men were accepted by riends of the local members in ad- the Army: John Edward Pope, Jr., dition to several visiting Lions from William Dixon Jones, Edgar Jarvis he Plymouth and Washington Gurganus, Benjamin Franklin Hollubs. Approximately 125 members land, James Wiggins Watts, Jr., Henand visitors were on hand for the ry Thomas Daniel, Alva Rudolph neeting and celebration, said to be Roberson, Arthur Anderson, William he largest event ever held by the Clayton Wynne, Hugh Millard Martin, Walter Ellis Everett, Orlander

"It was the finest and the most in- Shepherd Green, Garland Benjamin pirational meeting ever held by our Wynne, Wallace Reid Bullock, Johnclub," Dr. Walker, president of the club, stated this morning. "Our re- Hoel, James Mannon Varclift, Stasponsibilities as individuals and as ton Roberson Williams, Sidney Ray nation in making every effort to Lewis, Marvin Brint Manning, Jas. win the war was emphasized and Samuel Roebuck.

It was first reported that only 20 pers and visitors many times of the group had been accepted by hroughout the meeting," Dr. Wal- the Army, but it was later learned that one, Benjamin Franklin Hol-

Mayor John L. Hassell, speaking land, waived his seven-day furlough, as a representative of the town, wel- and that another James Samuel Roecomed the visitors. He was followed buck, was transferred from another by Neil Hester, reporter for the board.

News and Observer, and past dis-James Ernest Keel, scheduled to trict governor, who acted as toastreport for induction with the group, master. The main address of the evejoined the merchant marine, it was ning was made by Tom Payne, disearned.

trict governor, of Washington, N. C. An unofficial report heard from one of the rejectees stated that 24 of The Kiwanis club was represented by John Goff, president, and among his number were ruled out on acthe visitors were several WAACs count of physical disabilities, and who are here this week asking for three on account of low literacy standards.

Highway 125 in front of the J. S. Mayor J. L. Hassell Urges General Clean-Up Drive For Health And Control Of Mosquitoes

moving in on the fishery and at other points along the stream in great sun scorching the earth all year. Instead of the jungles and desert, about numbers within the next week or ten all that I have seen has been a con- days. There's a big demand for Rotinuous group of barren hills and anoke chickens this season, and it John T. Hadley was found not guil