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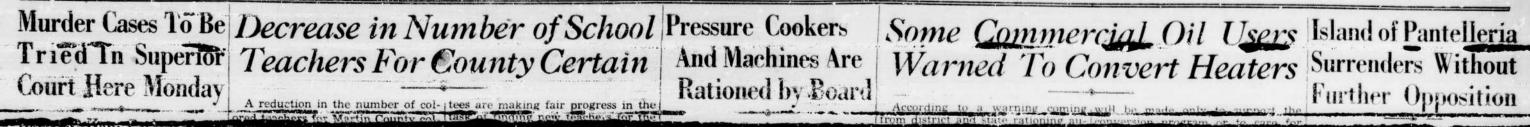
Williamston, Martin County, North Carolina, Friday, June 11, 1945.

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OVER THE TOP

FOR VICTORY with UNITED STATES WAR

BONDS-STAMPS



To Preside Over One-Week Term of Court

it is likely that two or more will be but one report states that positions lost in the white schools, according are now being filled about as rapid-

here next Monday for the trial of a ing the number of teachers employ- the teacher personnel. few criminal cases and one or two ed in the colored schools last year, murder trials, the court is expected three of the teachers will be lost to ures reported by some schools for hardly large enough to meet half early Tuesday. The length of time the action Solicitor Don Gilliam takes accepts a plea of second-degree mur-

der or manslaughter in each of the cases, and some are of the opinion he will do just that, then the docket can be cleared easily in one day, it is believed.

There are only nine criminal cases on the docket, but according to a schedule, five divorce actions will be dumped into the hopper, and one civil action will likely hold the court in session for several days during the week.

Judge R. Hunt Parker, of Roanoke Rapids, is slated to preside over the term. No change in the grand jury personnel is scheduled, and it isn't likely that Judge Parker will address the body this term.

Sheppard Spruill, colored man, stands charged with the murder of his young wife near Oak City on Sunday, April 25th. The fatal attack was reported to be the climax to a quarrel and fight lasting a greater part of the day.

Alleged to have acted without provocation, Luke Parsley, colored, is charged with stabbing his brotherin-law, Percey David Ashford, to death on Williamston's lower main street last May 7th.

Three of the remaining cases on the criminal docket were continued at the last March term. None of the cases appears on the list on appeal from the county court.

Other than those charging murder, the docket carries the following

Elbert Whitehurst, drunk and dis-orderly and damaging public property, continued from March term.

John Lee Freeman, breaking and entering and larceny, defendant failing to answer when called for trial last March.

The case charging Semour Briley No Longer Necessary for with seduction was continued last March for a bill of indictment. Walter Freeman, breaking and en-

to a report coming from the office | ly as they are vacated. Appreximate-The trial of two murder cases will of the county superintendent this ly twenty-five vacancies have been feature the work of the Martin week. Attendance figures will fall created in the white schools, repre-Commenting on the marked drop Board in a recent meeting. The quocivil actions. Despite the scheduled it was pointed out. It is likely that in the average daily attendance fig- ta of cookers for the county was

to attract very little attention from the Parmele district and one each in the recent term, school authorities the demand, the authorities stating the general public, and according to the Oak City and Williamston dis- stated that a few pupils had been one report coming from the hall of tricts. There is some doubt if the lost to the war, that others were handled. It is hoped that the quota justice, the criminal docket will pos- State school authorities will allow transferred to steady jobs on the sibly be cleared by late Monday or two white teachers where the av- farm, but that in quite a few cases it erage daily attendance figures were was plain indifference on the part devoted to the trial of the criminal slightly below the requirements last of parents and pupils that caused the far as it could be learned no cookers slump in average attendance. Pres-

After experiencing much difficulty ent indications point to a further dein handling the murder cases. If he in making replacements, county crease in attendance figures during school authorities and local commit- the coming term.

CAUGHT

Changes in draft rules and reg

ulations, coming thick and fast often catch a victim in between

and while they may be fair they

are often hard. At one time Se

lective Service ruled that a child

born on or after September 8,

induction, it is too late for the draftee to claim deferment. While fathers are subject to call

possibly in August or Septem-

ber, any one who had a child born between September 8 and

15, 1942, should report the bless-

ed event to the draft board and

possibly, by so doing, head off a

**Governing Mailing** 

July draft summons

army.

Large Docket Calls For Extra Session Of Recorders Court

Elbert S. Peel Succeeds Paul D. Roberson as County

1942, could not be recognized as Solicitor a dependent as far as the draft was concerned. The date was la-With an almost equal number of ter changed to the fifteenth of that month. During the meantime, one father in this county whose case fitted into that period, was called and sent to the There are possibly others whose cases fit into that one week period. The draft board does not know them, and if the olicitor men are instructed to report for

and costs. He is also to pay Mrs. J. Haislip the amount of \$22.54, value of the chickens. Actual larceny of the chickens was by Kelly Myrick and Louis Cherry. Myrick, a minor, Mr. And Mrs. Hardy

a wife upon payment of the and Seplets School. Harvard Univer Jone will have a two weeks for James Purvis, Gussie Ford, and sity, Parson John W. Hardy and lough, and it is understood that those "Top" Teel were found guilty of be- Mrs. Hardy are now in Albany, Ore- if any, answering the call the latter

Everetts, in the performance of his forces. A letter to The Enterprise No audit of the contingent moving Modifications have been issued by duty. Judgment for James Purvis from Mrs. Hardy suggests a bit of out of this county the latter part of maintenance and operation of the the War Department regarding the was payment of \$25 fine and one- homesickness despite the beautiful May and who just returned to camp schools during the coming term, acmailing of packages to members of half of costs. The other two defend- surroundings and the friendliness of for active service last week has been cording to budget figures proposed ants were charged to pay a fine of the people there. She writes, in part: received. The War Department announces \$10 each and the remainder of the "John and I feel terribly far away from home, and all that goes on there overseas personnel to have their re- Chester Revels, former soldier now and miss the Enterprise a great deal. this week to report for induction. proval by the county commissioners quesis for packages approved by a partially paralyzed, was sentenced "Oregon is beautiful, one of the Their names, the number and induccommanding officer, provided that to jail for 90 days, the court suspend- loveliest states in the Union, as far tion date could not be learned. It is not more than on eparcel is accepted ing the judgment upon the payment as we can judge, and we crossed ten likely they will leave some time the of \$81,991 will be asked of the taxfor mailing in any one week, and of a \$50 fine and costs and on the states coming out here. It was a per- latter part of next week. sent by or on behalf of the same further condition that he remain on fectly wonderful trip. Albany is on

Large Enough to Meet Half The Demand

Six pieces of farm equipment and forty-three pressure cookers were will be increased at a later date, but there is no assurance that a larger have been received in the county during recent weeks, but shipments are expected shortly. They will be handled by recognized dealers.

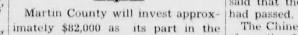
Farm machines were rationed to the following: Clyde Revels, RFD 2, Williamston

2-in-1 cultivator T. B. Slade, Hamilton, traction sprayer. Hugh B. Griffin, 2F8 on, water system. T. B. Slade, Hamilton, disc harrow

D. W. Downs, Hobgood, combine. Mrs. Annie C. Fleming, Jamesville, tooth weeder.

Pressure cookers were allotted to the following: Mrs. C. B. Bowen, RFD 2, William-

Mrs. E. C. Harrison, RFD 2, William-Robert Whitehurst, colored, in- ston; Mrs. N. R. Rogerson, RFD 2, dicted for assault on female, paid a Williamston; Doretha S. Chance, fine of \$10 and costs. His case was (school), Williamston; Mrs. C. G. week when the draft board, literalcontinued from last week's docket. Rogerson, RFD 2, Williamston; M. ly speaking, scraped the bottom of Fletcher Bullock, charged with Vivian Harris, Williamston; Mrs. the barrel and sent hardly more than aiding and abetting in the larceny Guy Forbes, Robersonville; Mrs. Le- one-tenth of the number of white of chickens, was sentenced to six la Britton, Williamston RFD; Mrs. men asked for in June. After the vi months on the roads with sentence D. C. Peel, Everetts; Mrs. J. A. Har-suspended upon payment of \$15 fine dison, Williamston RFD; Mrs. Ben claims for the deferment of men and



Areas and Land Fighting In Russia Resumed The Allies are believed to have

weds will be

taken another forward step toward almost pulverized little island of Pantelleria in the Mediterranean without opposition, according to re-

ports coming from London this morning. Raided continually for weeks, the island defenders are said to have willingly bowed to orders demanding surrender without further opposition, the Americans taking positions on the little spot just a few miles from Sicily without firing a shot. The merciless pounding by Allied airmen had paved the way for the landing operations, one report stating that hardly a spot one hundred feet square had escaped bomb blows on the island which is

about four by eight miles in size and which is only a few miles from Sicily

Some observers believe the sur-render of the island will be a curtain raiser to invasions. Certainly the success there looks bad for Si-

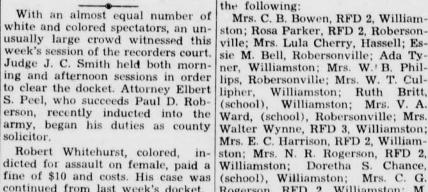
After remaining virtually idle for days, the Allied force operating out of England has gone into action again, a report today stating that targets in the conquered countries were being bombed by planes sweeping over the Channel. American airpower has been doubled since March in the European theater, and will be doubled again within ten weeks, according to Major General Ira C. Baker, commander of the Eighth United States Air Force. The experiment to knock Germany out of the war with bombers evidently will be handled on a larger scale within a short time The air war is gaining momentum

along with land fighting in Russia. a late report stating that furious action was underway in the air over a 450-mile front from Leningrad to Orel. Land fighting on a larger scale

is being reported in the Caucasus, Slight Increase In and apparently the Russians are moving to end the stalemate existing Board Of Education west of Rostov. The Russians had forced a crossing of the Mius River in that sector and established a

Little action has been reported in the Southwest Pacific, and apparent-Despite Increase, Proposed ly the Attu mission has been accomplished in its entirety. An encouragv. -verifiers week i Australia's prime minister when he said that the danger of an invasion

The Chinese have scored big gains



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Packages Overseas Judgment was suspended by the court on Jesse B. Daily for assault Recently graduated from the Army The men leaving the county this

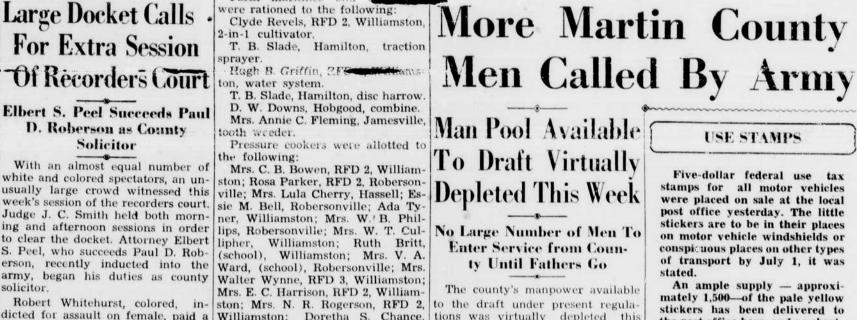
Soldiers to Have Their Reing drunk and disorderly and inter- gon, where the chaplain is carrying part of July will have a three weeks' fering with Officer A. R. Roberson, on with the members of the armed furlough. quests Approved

users, especially store and other similar business operators, will tind it allowed, it was declared. Those who advisable to convert their equipment recognize the warning for what it is

or make arrangements to burn wood worth may apply soon to the rationor coal in heating their places of ing board for an application for a County Superior Court convening approximately five short in support- senting about twenty-six per cent of allotted to applicants by the Martin warning, issued at a district meeting, fuel oil will be studied closely and an invasion of the continent when County Farm Machinery Rationing of OPA representatives in the court- in those cases where the commit- they occupied the much battered and house here last Wednesday, does not tee is convinced that the applicant

apply to individual home owners, it should have converted and did not do it will likely be denied fuel oil was pointed out. In connection with the conversion rations. program, H. L. Godwin of the State Retailers and wholesalers of laun-OPA office, stated that a system for dry, coal and wood, gas and cook

rationing all types of stoves would stoves are to register soon, details be instituted immediately, that the for the registration to be announced plan would make it possible for within a short time. It was stated at those who will find it necessary to do the meeting that a new application so to replace their oil burners with form will be used for fuel oil this coal or wood heaters. It is fairly year, that the users will receive one well understood that stove sales in of the applications within a reasonthe future will be very limited, and able time through the mail.



tions was virtually depleted this

agriculture had supported the "C classifications, the Draft Board fi nally gathered together an even do en men, but it had to borrow from way up in the western part o was remanded to juvenile court, and Louis Cherry was sentenced to the In Albany, Oregon the State to do it. Then, too, it was recessary to reach into all the age groups to get that number. About groups to get that number. About

Budget For 1943-44 bridgehead on the western bank.

Budget Offers Reduction In the Tax Rate

the post office here, and no shortage is anticipated. The purchasthe sticker.

er is to list the make of his car. model, engine number and license number on the back of

Dennis Smallwood, breaking and entering and larceny of meat. Bennie Earl Spencer, assault with

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# **Seventy-four Tires Allotted in County**

Thirty-five New and Thirty-**Two Grade II Car Tires** Are Included in List

Ration Board at its regular meeting is utilized, the envelope is not resuance last week. Thirty-five Grade marked by the accepting employee thirty-two Grade III tires.

Parmele, for a Dicycle was passed, age. in order that he might have transportation to essential labor. Seven be no exceptions to the weight and \$10 fine and costs.

completed the week's issuance. New car tires and tubes were is-

sued to the following: H. J. Hardison, Williamston, one tire and one tube.

2, one tire.

tube

E.- N- Harrison, Jamesville, two tires and two tubes.

C. D. Bullock, RFD 3, Williamston, one tire.

Jodie Peaks, RFD 2, Williamston, one tire.

G. P. Roberson, RFD 1, Robersonville, one tire.

J. H. Melton, Robersonville, one

tire. W. R. Roberson, Jamesville, two tires.

L. S. Bullock, Williamston, one

tire. Fred Taylor, Robersonville, one

tire. W. O. Abbitt, Williamston, one tire

and one tube. Cecil Brown, RFD 1, Oak City, one tire and one tube.

Hugh B. Griffin, RFD 1, William ston, one tube.

Mrs. Cletie Griffin, RFD 1, Williamston, one passenger tire and one

tube. V. G. Taylor, Everetts, one tire and one tube.

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a deadly weapon with intent to kill. the Army overseas.

that it is no longer necessary for costs.

"Parcels presented under the

With the allotment of both Grade the APO cancellation in which the torney R. L. Coburn will handle the tires and tubes issued by the Tire process facsimile of V-mail letters 21. this week greatly exceeded the is- quired. The request shall be post- tried: I passenger tires were granted, and of the post office in such a manner guilty of speeding; Felice Balletia please fill it full of local news." as to prevent its reuse and then re- paid the costs; W. S. Crain, payment An application from Julius Smith, turned to the sender of the pack-

"It is contemplated that there will ing, \$5 fine and costs; B. F. Moore, tires for trucks and one tractor tire size limits for parcels for individuals. No perishable matter may be

sent, however." Postal restrictions now in force regarding parcel size and weight for

C. B. Rogerson, Williamston RFD overseas shipment, state that no par-cel may be sent which exceeds five Special Meeting In pounds net weight, more than fifteen W. C. Faulkner, Everetts, one tire. inches long, or has a combined girth

E. Hedrick, Jamesville, one of more than thirty-six inches. Officers Will Hold

eral Bureau of Investigation, Ed- that community.

tend the meeting.

the country as applied to the coastal bands signifying that they have servdefense against saboteurs will also ed an appreciable number of hours be discussed.

pear as feature speaker of the pro- liamston defense area are cordially gram.

By Ration Board person or concern or for the same good behavior for two years, for the lovely Willamette river in be-address. for the lovely Willamette river in be-tween the Cascade range to the East has been fixed, and until this group for the maintenance and operation

The case of D. E. Bunting, charg- and the coast range on the West, is called it is fairly apparent that of the schools and for debt service modified arrangements," the War ed with assaulting Jeses F. Crisp, ra- mountains three and four thousand current quotas cannot be met in this requirements during the last fiscal Department's order states, "must be tion board member, was continued feet high and covered with gorgeous county. According to unofficial re- period. It was pointed out that the accompanied by the written request for two weeks with the appointment huge pine trees reaching almost to ports, fathers can expect a call to \$1,359 will not necessitate an infor the articles contained therein, of Attorney E. S. Peel, the defend- the waves of the Pacific. service either in August or Septem- crease in the school tax rate, the autogether with the envelope bearing ant's lawyer, as county solicitor. At-"Camp is ten miles out and John ber.

comes in several times a week. Peo-I and Grade III tires, the number of request was received. Where the case when it comes to trial on June ple are quite friendly but we cer-

The following speed cases were homefolks. 'We'll be anxiously awaiting our

George Whitman was found not

of costs; Beamer Cline Wilson, costs; Roland Holliday, costs; James Flem

M. E. McLawhorn was found guil-

ty of operating a car with improper lights. Judgment was suspended upon payment of costs.

**Jamesville June 16** 

A free movie showing scenes taken during an actual air raid will be

Meeting In Ahoskie one of the features of a mass Civil-ian Defense meeting to be held in the Jamesville High School auditor-

ium on Wednesday, June 16th, at Special Agent in Charge of the 8:30 p.m., according to an announce-Charlotte Field Division of the Fed- ment made by Charlie Davenport of

ward Scheidt, will preside at a meet- Expected to attend the meeting ing of the law enforcement officials along with County chairman of civilof the twelve Roanoke-Albemarle ian defense Hugh B. Horton, are Counties at 2 p. m. in Ahoskie next Wednesday, a representative of the ers fro mthe Army Interceptor Comoffice announced this week. A special mand headquarters at Norfolk. Durinvitation is extended to officers and ing the course of the meeting eigh

auxiliary police in this county to at- teen certificates will be awarded to volunteer aircraft observers who The theme of the conference will satisfactorily passed a course in airbe, "Safety Duties of Police in the craft recognition recently conducted War Effort". Pertinent matters per- by O. W. Hamilton. Also, a number taining to the internal security of of observers will be awarded arm

on active duty at the local observa-A representative of the North tion post. Carolina Highway Patrol will ap- Visitors throughout the entire Wil-

invited to attend the meeting.

first copy of the Enterprise and and Portsmouth. The Hardys' address is Box 453. RFD 2. Williamston. Albany, Oregon. John Quincy Andrews, Jr., Par-Scouts To Collect Scrap mele

### Materials Here Tomorrow

A second scrap drive will be sponsored by the local Boy Scout Troop

27, beginning Saturday, June 12th, at ten o'clock. Paper, tin, and steel will be collected with other scrap, the troop using Mr. Bill Spivey's

truck Money derived from sale of the

scrap will be used to pay expenses of the troop to camp.

**POTATO PRICES** 

A retail ceiling price of five and one-half cents a pound was placed on white potatoes in this section, according to an announcement coming from the county office of the War Price and Rationing Board yesterday. Consumers, asked to pay in excess of that amount, are directed to report to the War Price Panel in the rationing board office.

These prices, it was explained, are based on the \$2.70 ceiling price fixed for the producers. It has been pointed out that the \$2.70 is the ceiling price, that it does not necessarily mean that the crop will sell for that much. But with a reported short crop and a great demand for potatoes, there is good reason to expect a price at or near the ceiling figure.

for the period by the board of edu-

It was learned that a number of cation members in a recent meeting. colored registrants had been notified The budget is subject to final ap-

> with or without alterations. As the budget now stands, a total payers in operating the schools dur

As far as it could be learned, no ing the 1943-44 term. The amount

thorities stating that an actual re-Names of the men reporting for duction can be expected on the basis the final physical examinations at of expected increases in revenues tainly miss Williamston and our the induction center this week and during the next fiscal period. Basing

> Ben Beyely Daniels, Williamston nue from sources other than general taxation, the education authorities Christopher Columbus Walters, believe the rate can be reduced from 51.5 cents to 50 cents on the \$100 as-Russell Penn Martin, Jamesville. sessed property valuation for the Sent Dispal Apparently, board is anticipating a slight in-Nathan Worsley Johnson, Oak crease in real and personal proper-

> ty valuations. Preliminary reports Harry Everett Daniel, Oak City. from Tax Supervisor C. D. Carstar-Johnnie Ray Edmondson, Roberphen point to an increase in property values, but no definite figures are

available at this time. The big increase in the budget fig-**Word-Photo Picture** ures are traceable to instructional services in the vocational departments and to capital outlay, the two 142. Virtually all, or a greater part, of the increase, is offset by a reduc-

In a recently published story in tion in the appropriation necessary power sprayers, traction sprayers, the Charlotte Observer, scenes of for meeting debt service require- spray pumps (uower), power dustwar-torn Tunis, Tripoli, and other

cities visited by General Montgomery's Eighth army as he chased Rommel, were described by the pen and camera of Lieutenant C. F. Jones, of Charlotte, who is a brother of Mrs. Joe Boykin, of Williamston.

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their addresses follow:

Lieutenant Jones commented on the complete devastation of the cities

and described Tunisia as "a pretty city, but bombed to pieces; Sousse is blown to bits also; there is hardly induction into the Navy seven or county quotas does not mean that any sign of life."

About the morale of the German North Africa, and like so many of other state if they were manufacturarmy, he expressed the belief that the other members of the armed ed for sale in North Carolina." most of the Germans had evacuated, forces now fighting on foreign soil, leaving only enough to hold up Al- finds time among his duties of serv- rationing committees may issue purlied advances.

Lieutenant Jones kept his camera of the States he has left. with him, took pictures of the scenes "I don't know how long we will cates regardless of ccunty designahe liked, including one of Rommel's be here," he writes in a letter to Mrs. tions and regardless of county quoheadquarters, various shots of Ben- D. T. Cullipher, of Williamston, "but tas. Applicants for purchase certifigasi, and many of the men that he I surely will be glad to get back to cates will be required, however, to found interesting. He also described the States. After being away from certify that they have located the natives, their dress and their Willian ston for so long a time, it equipment for sale in hands of a friendliness.

along the Yangtze River, relieving temporarily, at least, a threat to the great rice-producing areas. But the war for the Chinese is not very

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**Farming Equipment Items Been Released** From County Quotas

## **Rationing Will Continue, But Farmer May Buy Where** He Can Find Items

In an effort to move all available equipment into active production as quickly as possible, several items of farm machinery and equipment have their estimates on anticipated revebeen released from county quotas and will be rationed only on a state basis, it was announced today by Mr. Jesse Crisp, chairman of the County USDA War Board.

The release of this equipment was the provided in an amendment to Food Production Order 3, which authorized the State USDA War Board to release items on which there now is an equitable distribution between counties, the chairman said.

The items released by the State War Board includes: tractor-drawn or mounted moldboard plows, tractor-drawn or mounted disc plows, one-way tillers, transplanters, gar-Of Rommel's Flight ments and to capital outlay, the two den-way tillers, transplanters, gar-den tractors, soil pulverizers and packers, rotary hoes, spring tooth harrows, power take-off mowers, ers, traction dusters, hammer mills and burr mills.

"This action does not release these be required to follow the original dicating only that the machine is to

Wade Holmes, Franklinton boy be sold in the state of North Carowho lived in Williamston before his lina. The release of these items from eight months ago, has landed in they can be sold to farmers of any

He said county farm machinery ice to write home a letter in praise chase certificates for these items and dealers may honor the certifi-

