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PT SKIPPERS ABOARD WAR PRIZE

Judge Calvin Smith Calls Eleven Cases In Recordor's Cours



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Eighty-eight Tires Four Offices In This County Russians Within 25 Allotted In County Are 'Begging' for Candidates Miles of Sevastopol Ry Rationing Roard In Crimean Drive While developm

sioners. There is still one opening ville, would oppose Clarence Grif-

on the board, and it is expected fin, but no official announcement

Men Called By Army

and tomorrow evening at 6 o'clock tomorrow evening. No information Marked Shif' from Grade III could be had from Commissioner

To First Grade Tires 1s ent time four political cflices in served as a member of the board for **Quite Noticeable** this county are literally "begging" a number of terms. for cardidates, Mr. Sylvester Peel, Mr. Holliday's candidacy for the

The Martin County War Price chairman of the board of elections, board of education is the only one and Rationing Board last Friday stating that up until late yester- that was announced by the elections night issued eighty-eight tires, 34 day not a single contest had been chairman for one of the three posigrade I's, 25 Grade III's, and nine created within the county, that as tions soon to be open. for trucks. There was a marked far as he could learn no district Clarence W. Griffin has filed for shift from the issuance of Grade contest had developed. III tires to those of first grade. This Bids for places in the county's R. H. Smith for judge and Elbert past few days. Moscow dispatches can mean one of two things, either political circle had been filed by S. Peel for solicitor of the county declare that the fall of the important the supply of the inferior grade is about exhausted or the supply of the better type is being increased. It has been estimated that 24 mil-G. Gurkin, Jamesville Township lion tires will be made available farmer, filed for a place on the ship. No one has filed for surveyor, board of commissioners, and Ferd and that position along with the to civilians this year, but that the W. Holliday, a farmer also of James- two on the board of education and demand will be nearer 32 million. ville Township filed for board of one on the board of commissioners Grade I tires and tubes were iseducation membership. Other fil- is begging for candidates.

sued to the following: W. E. Everett, Robersonville, one

tire and one tube. Town of Williamston ,one tire and

one tube. Paul Brown, RFD 1, Oak City, one

tire and one tube. Standard Fertilizer Co., Williams-

ton, one tire and one tube. John Edwin Manning, Williamston, one tire.

J. H. Harrell, Oak City , one tire. W. R. Powell, Robersonville, one More Martin County tire and one tube.

W. T. Hyman, Robersonville, two tires and two tubes.

Nathaniel Coltrain, RFD 2, Williamston, one tire.

David Mizelle, Jamesville, one tire and one tube.

Marion T. Hollliday, RFD 1, Jamesville ,one tire and one tube.

Carl R. Garrett, RFD 1, Williamston, one tire. F. W. Holliday, RFD 1, James-

ville, one tire. Martha Osborne Harris, Williams-

ton, one tire and one tube.

L. J. Mills, Jr., RFD 3, Williams-ton, one tire and one tube. Robert L. Ward, RFD 3, William-

ston, one tire and one tube. Harvey Warren, Robersonville,

one tire and one tube.

W. B. Harris, RFD 1, Williamston, one tire and one tube.

J. H. Chesson, Williamston, one tire and one tube.

Leo Roberson, Williamston, one tire

J. T. Phelps, RFD 2, Williamston, one tire and one tube. G. W. Barrett, Oak City, one tire.

John Leggett, RFD 1, Robersonville, one tire and one tube. L. H. Taylor, RFD 2, Williamston,

one tire and one tube. C. E. Jenkins, RFD 3, Williamston,

TO SPEAK HERE Men Enter the Navy and Army This Week the trip about noon today for Raleigh. As a result of a new ruling issued by Selective Service last weekend, several men scheduled to report

ings were announced by the elec-

that Commissioner C. D. Carstarp- has been made

Dr. Clyde A. Erwin, State Sup-

Thousands of Allies_Planes Steadily Pounding Hitler's **European Fortress**

Driving within twenty-five miles of Sevastopol, the Russians should have the Crimea within the next day or two, the campaign having featured the war in the south these the State House of Representatives; are thrusting through the peninsula from north and east, it appears probable

Following the initial breakhtrough last week-end-across the Kerch Straits, across the Sivash Sea Mentioned as possible candidates, and down through the Perekop tions chairman as follows: C. A. Dr. John D. Biggs and H. G. Horton Isthmus, Axis resistance melted, and Roberson, Robersonville; R. Lee were quoted as saying they would today the Nazis are in disorderly re-Perry, Bear Grass, and R. A. Hai- not enter the house race. It was rutreat. slip, Oak City, for county commis- mored that J. R. Winslow, Roberson-

Land fighting on other fronts is not very active just now, but the air war against Germany and occupied territory is being increased. Ten thousand Allied planes have spread a rain of death and destruc-tion over Hitler's Europe during the past six days. Striking far and wide from England and Italy, they let fly with no less than 115,000 tons of bombs, smashing Axis factories, communication lines, installations

and equipment. The increased tempo of the air war Twenty-five County is bringing its invasion jitters. Last night an invasion alarm was sounds bringing its invasion jitters. Last ed, but it was declared unfounded. A Berlin broadcaster related a story that proved nothing more than a close parallel to the one told by Orson Wells about the men from Mars several years ago. The Berlin man apparently was talking about the

Goodly Number of Youths To Dieppe raid made by the Canadians, and for a while it was thought he was describing a raid in progress at the ime

The Allied position in Burma and Twenty-five Martin County men India is thought to be improved. eft yesterday and today for active duty in the Army and Navy, the thirteen Army men leaving on the 13th and the twelve Navy men starting

Aged Citizen Dies At His Home Near

For J. M. C. Nelson, 88

Years Old

J. M. C. Nelson, one of the coun-

ty's oldest citizens and retired far-

critical since that time.

leaves two grandchildren.

in Pitt County, near Ayden.



THIS QUARTET of PT boat commanders is on board a captured Jap barge at an Allied base in New Guinea. They have accounted for 26 enemy barges among them. They are (1. to r.): Lt. Edward P. Farley, New York City; Lt. Comdr. John Harllee, Wash., D. C.; Ensign Robert Hunt. Marshalltown, Iowa; Lt. Rumsey Ewing, St. Louis, Mo. (International)

County's Liquor Sales



Docket At Session Last Monday Morning

Calling eleven cases, Judge J. Calvin Smith cleared the docket in less than an hour and adjourned the regular session of the county recorder's court last Monday morning until May 1. No sessions of the county court were scheduled on account of the special term of the superior tribunal which was supposed to get under way next Monday and run for two weeks. However, no court will be held .next week since the county bar has crowded all the civil cases into a two-day scheduled session beginning Monday, April 24:

Non-licensed vehicle drivers crowded thedocket last Monday, several of the group drawing brief jail sentences

Proceedings: Charged with drunken driving, Henry Taylor failed to answer when called and papers were issued, calling for his arrest. His case is scheduled for trial on May 1.

A continuance was granted until May 1, in the case charging Daniel Ryan with drunken driving Judgment was suspended upon the payment of the costs in the case charging James Baker with driving a motor vehicle without an operator's license. He pleaded guilty to the charge

Pleading not guilty, LeRoy Lawrence was adjudged guilty in the case charging him with operating a motor vehicle without a driver's license. Judge Smith sentenced him to jail for two days and taxed him with the case costs.

Joe King, charged with operating a motor vehicle without a driver's license, was sentenced to jail for two days and taxed with the costs.

Mose Sheppard, facing a similar charge, was fined \$10.00 and directed to pay the court costs.

The cases charging Willie Lilley with operating a motor vehicle without a driver's permit was continued until May 1.

Judgment was suspended upon the payment of the cost in the case charging James Howard Paramore with allowing an unlicensed driver to operate a motor vehicle.

Albert Askew, the colored man who dared set himself up in the liquor manufacturing business within Williamston's town limits, was sentenced to jail for two days and was fined \$25 and taxed with the

Charged with violating the liquor

laws, Settler Bond was sentenced to

jail for a day and directed to pay

Having failed to meet the terms

a \$25 fine and the court costs.

naries wilson Gurkin Jr., of this county, was recentest reported for any corresponding ly graduated from the Army Air quarter on record, and about two Forces Flexible Gunnery school, Funeral Tomorrow Afternoon and one-half times greater than Laredo, Texas, and is now awaitthose for the three months of Octoing an assignment as a member ber, November and December, 1935, of a combat crew the first year the stores were open-

Nose Dive In Past Year





of 1943, the gross revenue for the Uak Lity Thursday fourth period of 1943 was the larg-

Total of \$1,532,383.15 Is Spent For Liquor

Sales for Last Three Months Of 1943 \$54,146 Small-

The gradual decline in liquor sales reported by the Martin County ABC Action on the Italian front still stores during the first three quarters looks like sparring preliminary to of 1943 was accelerated and took opening of fairly large-scale fight- the form of a nose dive during the ing soon. During the meantime, the fourth quarter ending last Decem-Italian campaign is a sore spot for ber 31, according to a review of the the Allies as well as for the Germ- system's official audit just released.

After reaching an all-time high -\$137,476.80-in the fourth quarter of 1942, the sales dropped to \$83,-330.40 in the 1943 fourth quarter, a reduction of \$54,146.40. It would appear that rationing had its effect. Outside the sales reported at the end

Since Stores Opened

er Than in 1942

one tire. W. B. Peele, RFD 2, Williamston, one tire and one tube

A. W. VanNortwick, RFD 2. Wil-(Continued on page six)

Few Deferments For Red Cross Chapter Men Between 18 And Gets Bandage Quota 26 Believed Likely The Martin County Chapter of

Agriculture Not Included in List of Fourteen Critical Occupations

That there will be few deferments for young men between 18 and 25 Taylor, chairman, explaining that years of age, inclusive, including material could not be had. those engaged in agriculture; was made fairly certain this week when week. Red Cross authorities stated Selective Service Director Lewis B. because of labor shortages. "These Hershey announced that recognition are factors which the Red Cross will be given only those young men cannot control and which make it who hold jobs in one of fourteen impossible for surgical dressings critical fields. Farmers in the youthchairmen and workers to count on ful age group have the 16-unit plan an even, steady flow of work," the to support their deferment claims, but it is generally conceded that the requirement is almost beyond the The letter con-The letter continued: realm of a possibility, meaning that farmers, 18 to 25, are to reasonably eryone concerned in the surgical

The list of fourteen critical job understood as a wartime condition expect calls to report for service. classifications announced by Her- for which there is no immediate shey is, for the most part, foreign to this area. It deals with highly tech-nical iche and other field with patience nossible to deliver the it has been nical jobs and other fields of activities where serious shortages exist. But even in those fields the number of deferments is likely to be small.

Hershey notified state draft directors that they may recommend deferments for men under 26 only if

ties. All other men idde the activities all other men idde the

subject to immediate draft. The stringent new yardstick is aimed at providing as many younger men as possible for the armed

forces. It does not apply directly to men 26 or over. Deferments for men in this group still will be governed by whether they are qualified as necessary men under the previous list of 35 general fields of essential activities

Local boards already have been during the past few days, the limitinstructed to be more lenient with ed activities there reflecting a demen as they fall into the older age crease in crime. groups and, other things being equal, to grant deferments more liberally orderly, was required to pay \$8.50 to pre-Pearl Harbor fathers.

Thus, boards are instructed to be more lenient with men 30 and over for being drunk and down. than with those in the 26-through- Probable cause appearing, Hubert 29 bracket. Pre-induction physical Whitaker, charged with an assault examinations and drafting of essen- with a deadly weapon, was bound tial men in these two groups has been over to the county court for trial on suspended temporarily until the list May 1. Bond in the sum of \$100 was of men under 26 is combed.

erintendent of Public Instruction, will address a county meeting of parents and teachers in the high school auditorium here next Thursday evening at 8:30 o'clock.

his electric refrigerator and gave away most of his work clothes. There's no telling what will happen next, but it isn't likely that those who had their induction orders cancelled will have more than sixty or ninety days at home before they will be

for service with each of the two

groups had their induction orders

cancelled. In one case the order was

received just after the inductee had

moved his last load of furniture, sold

Report for Preliminary

Exams Next Week

called again. In the group leaving for the Army yesterday were eight non-farmers whose occupations apparently were not listed in one of the 35 job classi- had been in declining health for tent at least offset by increases in

fications supporting a delay in induction. Several of the groups were the American Red Cross is being listed for limited service. Nine are asked to prepare 25,200 surgical married and they leave sixteen children at home. dressings during the month of June.

The names of the men reporting No quota was assigned this chapter for Army service follow: for either April or May, Mrs. J. B. Mathon Baldwin Dunn, Williamston and Chicago.

Kelly Stuart Bunting, Oak City. In a letter to Mrs. Taylor this Gorman Leslie Parrisher, RFD 2, Robersonville that shipments of gauze are slow Pete Ellic Cherry, Williamston.

John Clayton Davenport, Robersonville William Herman Everett, Hamil-

Robert Leavern Stallings, RFD 1,

Thomas Randolph White, Williamston and Washington, N. C.

Robersonville. dressings program but it must be Harry Jordan Smith, RFD 3, Wil-

John Samuel Rogerson, RFD 1, dressings asked for per month. This

Art Exhibit at Club One inductee, Roy Zelio Braxton, ed provided prompt, complete shipformerly of Williamston but more recently of Farmville, was transfer-"The total of dressings shipped to red to Greenville for induction.

1943 was just under one billion. The (Cur / Ast Provide six) praise. They are fulfilling one of the greatest of all the obligations of the



Three Cases Heard O. S. Anderson, local man, this week succeeded Marion Cobb as clerk of the Martin County In Justice's Court Draft Board. Today, Mr. Ander-son was literally buried in rules and regulations and changes in

Only three cases were booked in the draft directives. Mr. Cobb, taking his turn in the draft call and whose job for Justice J. L. Hassell's court here some reason or other did not come in the "essential" group,

costs.

ments of gauze are maintained.

Red Cross to the Army.

apparently was relieved to change jobs, even though the change is packed with uncer-tainty and all that. The young L. O. Buchanan was taxed \$8.50

man did an able job as clerk to the board, listening patiently to the thousands of appeals and stories and studying long hours on the changing rules and regulations that would fill several ordinary size books.

born in Greene County 88 years ago. ty guzzlers with illicit brands. He moved to this county from Pitt To date, the legal stores have sold about thirty years ago and success- more than one and one-half million fully engaged in farming until feeble dollars worth of liquor, or \$1,532,health forced his retirement. Mr. 383.15, to be exact, since the county Nelson was a faithful member of the went into the business in July, 1935. Primitive Baptist Church at Conoho, Rationing continues fairly "tight" and was held in high esteem by all and it is predicted that sales will who knew him.

He is survived by one son, C. L. time to time, but no nose dive simi-Nelson, Sr. two sisters, Mrs. Alice lar to the one recorded for the last Jamesville and Scotland Neck. Tripp of Kannapolis and Miss Eunice three months of 1943 is to be expect-

"It is a difficult situation for ev Vance Augustus Powell, RFD 1,

liamston William Thomas Brown, Oak City.

Cecil Clemmons Ange, RFD 1 Jamesville

Oak City. schedule can and will be maintain-

the Army during the calendar year Eleven of the dozen men leaving

Carries and a will be displayed in the Woman's Club Hall here. The exhibit will be

held here through Friday, and the hall will be opened to school children when accompanied by their teachers from 9 a. m. to 3:30 p. m. each day except Tuesday when the hall will be opened to adults until six in the evening. Small admission

cemetery on the Jesse Nelson farm size.

tillet.

A DE STATION

Walter Nelson of Indiana. He also a national shortage.

fees are being asked to defray exoenses. The fine arts department of the club was very fortunate in its efforts to schedule the exhibit, and it

is believed that goodly numbers will visit the club hall during the week.

Several Instructed To **Report For Examinations**

induction examinations.

According to unofficial information, quite a few Martin County white men, mostly between the ages of 18 and 26, were instructed this week to report next Monday for pre-

few days ago, representatives of the National United Service Organizations have agreed to establish a unit in the American Legion Hut here, it was announced officially yesterday. Plans calling for a few alterations and the placing of furn-ishings in the building, have been made, but it could not be learned when the unit would be established by the national or-

sets of \$501.63.

ganization. Messrs. J. L. Hassell, John D. **Biggs and John L. Goff attended** a district USO meeting in Farmville Wednesday night and ex-plained to the leaders there that the Legion Post in this county had willingly offered the use of the building for the unit.

Few Applying For Increased prices are reflected in the liquor sales, giving sobriety a mer, died at his home near Oak small advantage, at least, But the had been in declining health for tent, at least, offset by increases in some time, but was able to be up the illicit traffic. This does not mean

and about the home until a short that illicit manufacturing has in-Hardly more than two dozen applications for soldiers' absentee baltime ago when he suffered a stroke creased in this county, but there of paralysis. His condition had been have been signs indicating that the lots have been filed in this county to date, according to a report just importing business was picking up, The son of the late Jesse and that Craven and possibly other Clarey E. Brown Nelson, he was counties have supplied Martin Counreceived from Mr. Sylvester Peel, chairman of Martin County's Board of Elections. A few of the absentee ballots for state offices have already been mailed to applicants overseas, but present indications point to a Funeral Services To Be Held ty next month.

It isn't too late for relatives to file applications for the absentee ballots, and they are urged to contact their gradually show a "decrease from respective election registrars or the board chairman and get and prepare Nelson of Oak City, and a brother, ed unless prohibition strikes through will lessen the service man's chance to participate in the May 27 primary. sel viceman out in California clip-

Wine and beer sales are holding Funeral services will be conduct- to fairly high levels in this county, forwarded his own application to ed at the home Saturday afternoon but no record of those sales is to be the board chairman, asking for an at 2 o'clock by Elder W. E. Grimes. had. It is believed that they almost Interment will follow in the family equal the legal liquor store sales in same form that appeared in this pa-

per a short time ago and have a bal-Despite the decrease in sales, the ABC system is in a healthy state fihusbands. nancially. It has assets in the sum of The chairman points out that \$54,308.74, including \$9,245.64 cash, accounts receivable, \$31,627.37; in-

Room Next Week ventories, \$12,934.10, and fixed aseligible to cast absentee ballots in

> general election that year, only two absentee ballots were cast in this county.

Reports state that Secretary of State Thad Eure has several thousand applications for the ballots and never affiliated with any church, it is possible that some of them were filed 1 y Martin County men scattered in various parts of the ices regularly. world.

Announce Births And Deaths Of Twin Sons Mrs. Curtis Mobley of Bear Grass.

Cpl. and Mrs. Warren E. Smith Augustus Keel, of Everetts, and Mr. nnounce the births and deaths of Bill Keel, of Williamston, and two twin sons in a Washington Hospital sisters, Mrs. Stephen Bullock of near this week. Funeral services were Williamston, and Mrs. Annie Bulconducted at the graveside in the lock, of Everetts.

Smith family plot in the Maysville Funeral services will be conduct-ed at her late home Saturday after-Cemetery Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. Smith before her marriage noon at 3:30 o'clock by Elders B. S. was Miss Lois Taylor of Williams- Cowin and A. B. Ayers. Interment ton. Cpl. Smith is now stationed with will follow in the Biggs Cemetery the armed forces in Australia. near Williamston.

Dies After Short Illness Yesterday At Home Near Here Tomorrow

Mrs. Samuel Biggs

Mrs. Mary Louinda Biggs, widow of Samuel S. Biggs, died at the home the proper forms. Further delay Wynne Biggs, on the McCaskey of her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Marie Road near Williamston yesterday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock tone sing a ped a form from his newspaper and very short illness. In apparently good health Wednesday evening, Mrs. Biggs visited her brother, Mr. Auabsentee ballot. Others may use the gustus Keel, who was in the local

hospital for treatment. She declared at that time that she was feellot mailed to their sons, brothers or husbands. night and a short time later suffer-

only the personnel in the armed ed a stroke of paralysis and never reforces and merchant marine are gained consciousness. The daughter of the late James

and Elizabeth Bowen Keel, she was born in Cross Reads Township near Everetts 68 years age, manual and instruction and creating and the of them were returned in time to be counted in the primary. In the ago, Since that time sne had made ago. Since that time she had made her home with the children, living near Williamston most of the time.

She was held in high esteem by all who knew her, and although she she was a firm believer in the Primitive Baptist faith, attending serv-

She is survived by two sons, Herman and Russell Biggs, of near Williamston, and two daughters, Mrs. Robert Rogers, of Oak City, and

In addition to the profits accruing the primary.

USO UNIT

Meeting with local citizens a

