DIES IN ITALY

Stf. Sgt. Leamon Edward

Shaw, young son of Mr. and

Mrs. Louis Shaw, of Bear Grass,

died in Italy on Wednesday,

April 5, of jaundice following a

short illness. Sgt. Shaw had been

in service since November, 1939,

and is believed to be the first

Martin County man to die of nat-

ural causes in the current war.

**Stock Show Entries** 

**Bring Good Prices** 

Local Cafe for \$288.30

Here Yesterday

Martin County's first independent

fat stock show approached a pleas-

when all the entries were offered for

sale at public auction. the fat calv-

es averaged around 22 cents ac-

cording to W. G. Booker, or about

seven cents above the market aver-

## Marion Smith Winner Pre-Invasion Air In Initial Stock Show Over French Area

DI ASMA EUND

Between four and five hun-

dred dollars have been raised

for the blood plasma fund here,

Mrs. J. E. Smith, chairman, an-

nounced yesterday. Mrs. Smith

added that she hoped to com-

plete the canvass during the first

ten days or two weeks in May.

The canvass is, more or less,

limited, but anyone wishing to

make a contribution may leave

it with Mrs. J. Paul Simpson at

the Security Life office in the

organization sponsoring the can-

vass, a high ranking military of-

ficer said last week that blood

plasma was proving to be one of the greatest assets known in

saving lives on the battlefronts.

North Carolina ranks 12th in the

**More Martin County** 

**Draft Board Expected To Re-**

view Individual Cases

At Meeting Tonight

More Martin County white men

Simon Jasper Barber, RFD 1,

Claude Halford House, RFD 2,

Elbert Wilmer Barber, RFD 1,

John Richard Medford, RFD 1,

James Ottis Bullock, RFD 1, Rob-

Frankie Coburn, RFD 2, Roberson-

Alfred Thomas Tice, RFD 1, Wil-

John Calvin White, Williamston

Thomas Russell Crandell, RFD,

Church Edison Modlin, RFD 1,

James Thomas Edmondson, Wil-

William Henry Leggett, RFD 1,

Travis Camps Kitchin, Williams-

John Edward Gurganus, William-

Russell Taylor Jones, to Wilson.

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**Hurt In Accident** 

Garland Harris, Bear Grass Town-

The young man's right arm was

broken in three places, his back was

him. His clothing was caught in the

He was removed to the local hos-

The farmer was at the shop mak-

ing a row marker.

onville and Portsmouth.

ersonville.

iamston.

Robersonville.

nd Portsmouth.

Robersonville.

lamesville.

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Palmyra.

and Monroe, N. C.

support of the campaign.

Speaking before the DAR, the

H. G. Horton building.

Increased Action Reported

he greatest ever unleashed against the enemy. During the meantime, the world anxiously awaits coming

There continues much talk about the coming second front attack, and many things are popping, but the world is still guessing when the eventful day will come. Virtually all travel out of Britain has been banned. Germany has all but iso-lated Denmark, and uneasiness grows in Sweden. More troops are ng, doubt that an Allied invasion of the Balkans through eastern Italy will be made.

ed on other fronts. The Russians, according to unofficial sources, have launched a new offensive on the recently passed the pre-induction Rumanian front, a late report statphysical examination at Fort Bragg, ing that 3,000 Germans had been killed in recent fighting along the second Ukrainian front. The battle for Sevastopol rages on, the Russions winning a yard-by-yard fight.

In Italy renewed action was reported in the Arzio beachhead, a late dispatch stating that the Americans were inching forward toward age for the class of stock offered Rome despite curtailed activities in at the sale. Marion Smith literally the air as a result of bad weather. In the Pacific, the Allies have completed the conquest of three Hol- pound. The animal weighing 930 landia airfields, indicating that the

bought by the Central Cafe in Williamston. MacArthur conferred with Admiral Nimitz this week, some observers and were bought by Roberson's ton. believing that the meeting discussed Slaughter House. were paid for all other entries. sive developments in the Pacific. A record of the sales follows for 4-H club cattle: terday, and raids were directed Harion Smith, owner, Palmyra, against the Kuriles in the north this 830 pounds at 31c, bought by Cen-

> 842 pounds at 20 cents, bought by Guaranty Bank, Williamston, for Thomas James, owner, RFD 3,

bought by Sunnyside Market for George Ayers, Jr., owner, Oak New Carolina and Planters Ware-

Manning, proprietors, for \$149.60. Farmers' fat cattle sales: William Weathersby, owner, Pal-

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# Escapes Uninjured

driven to within thirty miles of a field near Gold Point early last Taylor estate, and that a compro-Mogaung, west of Myitkyina which Wednesday afternoon. Considerable was the target of a parallel drive by damage apparently was done to the

accompanied by two other planes, time. was flying east of here when his motor developed trouble. Traveling in a westerly direction he passed ov-By Justice Hassell er Williamston possibly at 25,000 feet, the plane leaving a trail of smoke. It was thought at that time the plane was throwing out a smoke screen, the other planes flying guard

decided to ride it out with his ship. the last primary or election, it is He made a perfect belly landing, fairly certain he is registered, and skidded into and ripped off a sizable if he did it will not be necessary for Roberson, charged with being drunk and came to a stop about 100 feet primary on May 27.

tal of 250 or 300 feet. motor oil line clogged. The wreck-

ed plane was removed yesterday.

#### CLOSING

The Woman's Club is closing the Cancer Control campaign this week. If there are those who have not been approached in the canvass and wish to make a contribution they may see Mrs. G. H. Harrison or Mrs. John L. Goff. It is hoped a sum that will well represent the town will be

After calling off the first week of scheduled two weeks term the Martin County Superior Court was in session three days this week before lowering the curtain. Very few cases were cleared from the calendar, but the trial of two cases re quired the better part of two days the court holding its final session early Wednesday evening when a verdict was reached in the fire dam age suits brought against the Atlan-

Very few spectators were in the court at any time, the number drop ping down to a small half dozen at times. Very little interest was shown in the proceedings, and that with the small number of cases on file is causing some talk of abolishing the special terms ordinarily called in

There were sixteen cases on the calendar, including six brought by plaintiffs seeking divorces. Only one of the divorce cases reached the jury and the bonds of matrimony were shattered in that one. At least two of the others were removed from the docket when the plaintiffs voluntarily took non-suits. The fate of the other three could not be learned At Special Auction immediately, but it was intimated that the parties to the actions were in the armed services and proper papers had not been cleared. Volun-Champion of Show Sold To tary non-suits were taken in the cases of Louis Bonds against Pecolia Bonds, and Robert Harrell against

After a jury had awarded the plaintiffs \$750 damages at a previous jury apparently found that the the defendant were negligent, and in that case neither was entitled to munity. recover damages. The plaintiffs struck the jack pot when he sold were asking \$1,500 damages alleged to have resulted in a truck wreck on his champion calf for 31 cents a liamston a year ago.

at the next term of court.

liams in her case against John W. herself.

following plaintiffs were awarded ael had been more interested in his of politics. Howell, \$83.34: Frank Leathers. afternoon and an hour the following morning presenting their testimony. The defense took until about 3:30 Wednesday afternoon in presenting its case. Judge R. D. Dixon, notebooks. presiding, was hardly more than 20 minutes charging the jury. After de-

The county court will resume its

### Store, Oak City; 2:45, Smith's Store on Palmyra Road.

Books for the registration of poapparently helpless to act. A few tential voters and others who have School; 10:00, Edmondson Service after another for the farmer, but minutes later or about 2:20 the plane moved into this county within the Station; 10:30, Hassell Post Office; as these battles are won responsibi-

It is understood that Lieutenant ed of those persons whose names are Musselwhite started to jump out, but already on the books. If one voted in ston High School; 10:00, Everetts Horace Lee Williams and Ade pine tree, tore through a hedgerow him to register again to vote in the cherson charged with being drunk and came to a stop about 100 feet primary on May 27.

Any person becoming 21 years of age on or before next November 7 An investigation was held, but the and who has not registered is eligidisorderly, McKinley Latham was findings were not disclosed. It is ble to put his name on the books now fined \$2.50 and taxed with \$6.50 believed, however, that the engine's and participate in the primary on May 27, provided he can meet cer- abandoning scrub stock and recogtain qualifications. Any person who nizing the value of better breeds has moved to North Carolina and has was evidenced at the fat stock show made his home in the State for at here this week when several farmleast one year and has resided in a rs exhibited open entries. Farmers precinct as many as four months is Bob Everett and F. F. Pollard enterentitled to register and vote in his ed registered stock, including two

> The registration books will be open at the polling places for three by J. R. Fisher of Oak City possi-Saturdays beginning Saturday, April bly attracted as much attention as 29. Registrations may be effected at anything in the show.

Timely Address Heard; Ample Food for Record-Size Throng

The annual meeting of the Martin County Farm Bureau here yesterday afternoon was one of the most successful ever held by the organization. A timely address was heard and there was ample food for the throng. It was estimated that one thousand of the 1,201 members were present.

The meeting was opened with a brief prayer by Mr. Gardner, and Mr. Chas. Daniel, able president of the organization, made a few brief remarks. He said that the Farm Bureau had accomplished much for the farmer, but warned that the members must not rest upon past laurels. "It behooves us to move forward and to keep watch," Mr. Daniel warned. He reviewed briefly the various courses of the farm organizations from the Grange, founded in 1866, on up, citing the downfall of the Grange when it entered politics, and the downfall of the Farmers Alliance when that organization suggested the construction of more warehouses for surplus crops and did nothing about production control. "A farm organization is worthless unless it can control everyone in the farming areas should

like to hear, but it was the truth.

A group like yours can get anything

He went on to explain that prices

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The special and unusual picture, 'The Battle of Russia" will be shown in the Bear Grass School auditorium next Tuesday night at 9 o'clock, it was announced today by J. Rossell Rogers, chief observer of the Bear Grass Observation Post.

The show was seen in Hamilton

The public is cordially invited to see the picture and no admission fee is asked.

### Missing Since Sunday

Nothing has been heard from Joe Warren, local white man missing in Roanoke River since last Sunday body has yet been found.

### County Club Youths Take Lead In First Independent Show

Jack Williamson and Cowin **Brothers Winners With** Prize Hogs

Martin County's first independent fat stock show in the Planters Warehouse here yesterday was a decided success, the event marking a growing interest in livestock raising as an important factor in this section's farming program. The show, planned and held on a comparatively small scale, measured up to all expectations, and attracted hundreds of spectators from all parts of the county and several widely known stock specialists, including Messrs. W. G. Booker, representative of the Tennessee Coal, Iron and Railroad Company; Cecil M. Jackson, Livestock Development Agent, Atlantic Stock Development Agent, Atlantic Coast Line Railroad Company, Rocky Men Recently Pass Mount; E. V. Vestal, swine specialist, and L. I. Case, department of animal husbandry, State College, Raleigh. Mr. Vestal judged the hog entries and Mr. Case judged the

entries in the calf show. Marion Smith, young son of Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Smith of Goose Nest Township, won top honors among the 4-H club members with his calf entry, but Jack Williamson of Bear Grass ran him a close second when he took first honors with his prize-

winning pen of hogs. The calf show was possibly the Navy O. Kehing fifteen. It is uncenter of attention at the show. Tom derstood that twenty-one were re-James could not be present but he jected, that five others were either had an able substitute. The youth- transferred or failed to report. ful club members, it was apparent, Seventeen of the men passing the were interested in stock raising and examinations are married and have there was every indication that they thirteen children. Seventeen of the had become attached to their ani- group are farmers and eleven are mals. Young Marion Smith smiled from industry or other occupations. broadly when Judge Case placed his The names of those passing the Hereford first and he was awarded examination and their addresses folthe \$10 first prize. But his cousin, low: Earl Smith, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. | Charlie Bowen, RFD 2, Williams-V. Smith, also of Goose Nest Town- ton. ship, smiled also when he took second place with his Hereford calf Jamesville. and took the \$8 prize. Tom James' entry, a pretty animal to be sure, Robersonville. took third place and a \$6 prize was delivered to the youthful winner. Jamesville. Taking fourth place, Geo. Ayers, Jr., Hubert Frank Leggett, RFD 2, received \$4 and expressed his de- Williamston. termination to make ready for the | Charlie Gilbert Mobley, RFD 1 second show next year. The son of Williamston, and RFD 1, Plymouth. Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Ayers, of near Hassell, the lad said he was going to start off with two calves, that he wasn't going to give up. Mr. Case ville and Portsmouth. explained that the fourth entry was a bit young, and placed the youth-

ful owner at a disadvantage. Explaining the judging system, Mr. Case declared that the lads had done a good job and are to be con-

gratulated. Jack Williamson was the only club boy to enter swine in the show and he took all honors without opposition and received an \$8 eash

Messrs. Zack and S. Clayton Cowin, brothers and Bear Grass farmers, literally stole the farmers' show when they won the first prize for the best pen of hogs, and then had one of the Duroc Jerseys declared the grand champion. They received \$6 for the best pen, but no prize was offered for the champion. Farmer Thos. L. House, of Robersonville, offered some keen competition and he took second and third prizes of \$4 and \$2 for his Hampshire entries. Farmer Van G. Taylor placed fourth Robersonville. with his entry and received \$2.

William Weathersbee won \$14 when his calf entries were accorded first and second places, and Farmer ston.
T. L. House received \$8 when his Ed

calf entries placed third and fourth. A side feature of the show and an important one, too, was the interest Rocky Mount. shown by the fathers along with that shown by their sons in stock rais-

The county agent's office, the Farm Bureau and the several civic organ-

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Onk Elly Soldier Gets **Army Good Conduct Medal** 

Pvt. Spencer Rayner, son of Mr

and Mrs. Charlie Raynor, of Oak City, was recent honored when he city, was recent honored when he received the Army's good conduct Bear Grass Farmer In service fifteen months, Pvt Raynor had not lost a minute and had ably performed every duty re-

quired of him. He has been at Fort Bragg most of the time, but is expecting orders soon to move out, last Tuesday afternoon when he was possibly across the pond. of W. A. Brown at Bear Grass.

#### **County Commissioners To** Meet Here Next Monday

Very little business has been scheduled for consideration by the county commissioners when they meet in regular session here next

around the pulley two or more times A jury will be drawn for the June before he could free himself. court and it is understood that the welfare department budget for the pital for treatment. coming fiscal year will be submitted for consideration.

# **Attacks Continue**

In Pacific Area

Recognized by some as a prelude to actual invasion, the relentless air bombardment of the French coastal area and other targets in Hitler's European fortress roared into its fourteenth day today with the fury of the attacks increasing. Following devastating attack yesterday by American airmen and a costly raid by the RAF last night, the Americans are again over the French coast today, one report stating that industrial plants and rail centers in the Paris area were severely pounded

early this morning. Recent raids were recognized as

developments.

Increased action is being reportthe Army passing thirteen and the

powerful drive launched against North New Guinea last Saturday is progressing very favorably. General plans at that time for more exten-Truk and Ponape were bombed yesweek, one Liberator flying to within tral Cafe for !288.30. 60 miles of Tokyo to bomb Matsu-William Fletcher Martin, Rober-

In Burma the Allied positions are James Cecil Lilley, RFD 1, Jamesbeing steadily improved. "If this \$168.40. goes on much longer we shall all be killed," said a Jap prisoner. He was Williamston, 780 pounds at 19c, referring to the battle of the road and rail block southwest of the \$148.20. Thomas Redmond Harrison, RFD enemy base of Myitkyina. An account of the fight there reads: "The first waves of Japanese rushed blindly on to our mines and booby traps. As they went down machine gun and rifle fire swept into them. Nonetheless wave after wave came through the jungle and rushed forward to our wire.

Short of food and ammunition and suffering from malaria and dysentery, the Japanese troops had been collected from everywhere and anywhere and thrown against the road Hugh Berkley Griffin, RFD 1, Wilblock, which had been established by airborne British and U.S. troops Lester Lunford Harrell, Jr., RFD behind the Japanese lines.

Coming down from the north, Lt Paul Purvis Ward, Robersonville Gen. Stilwell's Chinese troops have Kachin tribesmen. The British al- plane, a P-47 job. so reported success in India. Mapao

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# Julian Hugo Carson, Parmele and Several Cases Heard motor developed trouble. Traveling in a westerly direction he passed ov-

Justice J. L. Hassell handled a fairly sizable docket in his court during the past few days. In addiduring the past few days. In addition to imposing fines and taxing the went down in Vance Roberson's fine past two years will be opened in the 11:30, Gold Point School; 1:00, Gold Point School; 1:

George William Hyde, charged with operating a motor vehicle without lights, was required to pay \$6.00

costs in the sun of \$2.50. Charged with being drunk and

Bonnie Terry was required to pay caught in a belt pulley in the shop \$8.50 costs in the case charging him with being drunk and disorderly. Jeff Adkins was fined \$2.50 and taxed with \$6.50 costs in the case bruised and he was cut in the head. charging him with disorderly con-Much of his clothing was ripped off duct.

belt pushing a small planer, and it and Arzelia Keel with bigamy was is believed his arm was carried sent to the superior court with the defendants under bond in the sum of \$100 each. James Biggs, charged with as

raised for this needy work.

### Superior Court In **Final Session Here** " Venuestan Turin

Over \$1,300 Allowed in Four The Coast Line

tic Coast Line Railroad Company.

April and October.

Agnes Harrell.

pounds sold for \$288.30 and was A judgment in the sum of \$115.30 with interest from January, 1943, Hogs offered for sale by the club was awarded Lindsley Ice Company the author. members brought 15 cents a pound in the case against Willie D. Bos-

Ceiling prices

The case, brought against the Atlanwas called for trial Tuesday afterhouse, Gurkin, Langley, Lilley and noon. The plaintiffs were all that

In Airplane Crash The case of Kellie Moore against married life of the author and ner it is of money.

M. D. Taylor, executor, was removing professor husband and their happy money. ed from the docket when the court or otherwise struggle in creating

mise had been agreeably affected. On a routine practice flight from a report from the clerk few cases

# his country as well.

bulls, cow and calf. adopted precinct.

#### Annual Meeting Is DISAPPOINTED Well Attended Here Keen disappointment was registered Wednesday after 400n Thursday Afternoon when Tom James, 12-year-old

I.O. Schaub Addresses

Farm Porean Meeting

son of Mr. and Mrs. Gaston

James of near Williamston, went

to bed with the mumps just a

few hours before he was to en-

ter his calf in the county's first

independent fat stock show here.

The youth apparently did not

mind the mumps so much, but

he cried when his father load-

ed "General Eisenhower" for

The young 4-H club member had literally nursed the animal

since January, and he did such a good job that he threw the

specialists off balance when they

tried to guess the animal's

weight. The nearest guess was

more than 100 pounds below ac-

tual weight, and so surprised

were the specialists that they

called for a second weighing. The animal weighed 812 pounds.

tion for Distribution

In This County

surprising results.

or their own dream house.

The schedule follows:

**Entries At Show** 

That Martin County is gradually

the trip.

County Bookmobile Will Make Regular Schedule Next Week New Books Added To Collec-The regional bookmobile will production," Mr. Daniel declared, make its last trip to the schools of adding that farm leadership should session, the court this week allowed this county next week. Teachers are coordinate its efforts but that others them nothing in the case of Critcher urged to have all books ready to reshould be treated right. Mr. Daniel Brothers against J. S. Whitley. The turn. The summer schedule will be declared that Farm Bureau sentiannounced before the June trip and ment continues to grow in Martin agents of both the plaintiffs and students desiring to borrow books County and is recognized as a necesmay do so at the stop in their com- sity. He concluded by saying that New books this month offer much support it.

scape reading. One of the most Introduced by Tom Brandon, Dr wholesome stories now ready is I. O. Schaub, of the State Extension the Hamilton Highway near Wil- Gladys Swarthout's Come Soon, To- Division made a timely talk in the morrow, the story of a young sing- form of an appeal for fairness and er. One may wonder how much of reason. It was pointed out that Emma Norton's story may be that of what he had to say many may not

Bromfield's new book, What Became of Anna Bolton, recreates the Martin County Farm Bureau for its The court issued a special order life of Anna Scanlon, born on the fine membership and its work, and scheduling the case of Ernest Capps wrong side of the tracks in Lewis- said that it was recognized as the against Sanford Roberson for trial burg, Ohio. Here is the result of the best in the State. "We are living in girl whose only ambition was to a day of organizations and pressure A divorce, based on two years of show the hometown and the world groups, and it looks as if that is separation was granted Katie Wil- that she could make something of about the only way to get results. Another wholesome story which it wants as long as its claims are Alleging that the defendant com- makes good reading is Ruth Wil- sound," the agriculturist said, warnpany's agents fired their lands, the lock's Bring Back The Spring. Mich | ing that the organization to stay out

judgments in the designated career in science than in Juliet Dew- Dr. Schaub briefly reviewed the amounts: Sam Roberson, \$83.33; Dan ey-hence, she closed the door be- agriculture picture, explaining that tween her heart and her career, and estimate might vary. He said: "To-\$200, and W. Robert Everett, \$1000. started on her ventures in the news- bacco will be increased 18 percent paper world. But a columnist has over production last year. There'll City, 680 pounds at 22c, bought by tie Coast Line Railroad Company her ups and downs too-with most not be quite as many soybeans. There'll be a decrease in peanuts Tarawa is a report of battle as and a big drop in cotton. Corn Robert Sherrod saw and heard it. acreage will be slightly increased, As stated in his foreword, no official and a big gain is expected in small documents were consulted and the grains. The Irish potato crop has account comes from his memory and been materially decreased, but an increase of 25 to 40 percent is ex-

Mrs. Agnes Rothery is back again pected in sweet potatoes.' with another story as lively and enliberating about one hour and fifteen tertaining as her Family Album. This were the determining factors, and minutes, the jury reached a verdict. time A Fitting Habitation reveals the the farmer could not be blamed for The case of Kellie Moore against married life of the author and her it is only human nature to make

A 25 percent decrease in hog pro-Lt. Glenn L. Musselwhite escaped learned that the defendant was not homes wherever they found themuninjured but suffered slight shock the executor, that Sidney Beacham selves-a two-room studio in which ing will increase slightly. The livewhen his plane was forced down in was the administrator of the Sudie the landlady forbade housekeeping stock picture, according to the extension director, is not very bright The outstanding biography of the He went on to explain that the feed month is Yankee From Olympus by supply is still insufficient to meet the sessions next Monday. According to Catherine Drinker Bowen. Her ac- demand, and the price of feed is count of Justice Holmes is more than high. It is fairly apparent that the the Goldsboro field, the lieutenant, have been docketed for trial at that the story of a man, it is the story of odds are against getting more grain from the Central West, and it was his advice to the farmers to de-Monday, May 1- 9:30, Edwards crease their stock down to their own Service Station; 10:00, Hamilton individual or local feed supply.

For Registration School; 11:00, Hamilton Bank; 11:45, After a friendly but serious fashsponsibilities the Farm Bureau should recognize. He said, "Your Tuesday, May 2 - 9:30, Hassell organization has won one battle

Wednesday, May 3-9:00, William Schedule Special Picture Show In Bear Grass School

ast evening.

Nothing Heard From Man

The milk goats and kids entered any time during the week that is con- No prizes were offered for the evening. A constant watch has been venient for the registrar. The books special entries, the farmers willing- maintained near the spot where he will be opened for challenge on Sat- ly cooperating in the interest of a is believed to have fallen from his urday, May 20, but not for registra- better livestock program for the boat and drowned, but no trace of his

#### John Bill Leggett, RFD 2, Wiliamston. Garland Gray Gardner, RFD 1 Jamesville. Polk Plummer Burroughs, RFD 3, Williamston and RFD 1, Oak City.

The following men were transfered to other boards.
Hugh Burras Baney, to Hopewell, cases to the higher courts.

and disorderly, were each to pay away after skidding possibly a to-

ship farmer, was badly injured late costs.

The case charging Henry Daniel

saulting a female and disorderly conduct, was bound over to the county court in \$50 bond.