ESTABLISHED 1899

County Authorities Hold Short Session Yesterday Morning

orors and Grant Tax Relief To Few Parties In Uneventful Meeting

Meeting in regular session here yesterday morning, the Martin County Commissioners devoted most of their time to business of routine nature, granting tax relief to a few, drawing a jury for the December court and handling a few other matters. The session, ending about the noon hour was an uneventful one. All the commissioners except C. J. Carstarphen were present.

Elbert S. Peel, county attorney and solicitor, resigned for a temporary period so as to avoid any possible conflict with his duties as a Presidential elector from this Congressional district. It is expected that he will be a candidate for reappointment. It was not explained, but it is generally known that there is a possibility the Republicans and the disgruntled 'crats would challenge the right of any elector holding office, appointive or otherwise to attend the Electoral College and cast his voice

for Roosevelt. Of course, no issue would possibly be made unless the count is close, and while Martin County Democrats are not a bit pessimistic over the outcome of the vote today, they are simply taking no

Relief orders were granted for the year 1944 to:

Edison Moore, \$2, Williams Township, who is now in service. H. J Haislip, \$2.75, Goose Nest cripple. S S .Slade, \$2, listed in error in Williamston Township, and Ed Moore, \$2, listed in error in Jamesville. A similar relief order was granted Ed Moore for 1941, and one to William Bland in the sum of \$3.05 listed by error in Hamilton.

Names of jurors drawn for the December term of superior court: Jamesville: Thomas Blount, C. N

Martin and W. M. Davis. Griffins: Ira F. Griffin, W. Saunders Revels, W. B. Harrington and J. Staton Griffin.

Bear Grass: A. B. Ayers and Wheeler Rogers. Williamston: Leslie K. Roberson.

Robersonville: S. Bruce Everett. Poplar Point: G. W. Bland, Jos. R. Harrison, Pete Raynor and S. E.

Hamilton: G. S. Haislip. Goose Nest: J. E. Stroud and Jasper H. Harrell.

Officers Take Two Stills In County | ed. | According to information coming

plants were equipped with 100-gal- ages of the others ranging up to 27 lon capacity tin stills. The first plant, captured that morning, had 400 gallons of sugar beer almost ready for the kettle, and the second plant had 300 gallons of sugar beer and both outfits were fairly well equipped.

Saturday night, the ABC officer and members of the local police made a tour of several outlying residential areas, but were unable to develop a case. A colored man, unknown to officers, was almost picked up, but he ran out of his coat.

The officers found everything peaceful and quiet in Griffins Township Sunday, but two persons were booked for the courts when they were found operating motor vehicles without drivers' licenses.

Improving

Although he is experiencing some eye trouble, Sheriff C. B. Roebuck, a patient in a Washington hospital since October 9, was reported to be improving rapidly today. He rested very well last night and his general condition is quite favorable. He is able to have some company for short intervals. The officer continues in mighty good spirits and hopes to be able to return home soon.

GUM, LIKE MUSIC, HAS CHARM



OPENLY ENTHRALLED by the proffer of a third stick of gum (he's hourding two in his other hand), this little French tyke in the wooden shoes drools with his tongue as he reaches for the goodie held forth by eight-striper Sgt. John J. Latwas of Washington, D. C., tuba player in an Army band stationed near historic Verdun. U. S. Signal Corps photo. (International)

Seventeen Colored Boys From County Leave For Service

Thirteen of Twenty-one Called Come from Non-Farm Occupations

Out of twenty-one Martin County colored youths called to report for final induction this week, seventeen reported. Three others were transferred to other boards and one, Jodie Henry Jenkins, formerly of Parmele but more recently of Baltimore, was reported delinquent and his name is being turned over to the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Jenkins is 34 years old and is being called because he failed to comply

from the draft board, none of the following: Raiding in Bear Grass Township men leaving today is married. Thirlast Saturday, ABC Officer J. H. teen of the 21 men called held non-Roebuck and Deputy Roy Peel farm jobs. Fifteen of the group are wrecked two large distilleries. Both just barely eighteen years of age, the

years and to 34 in one case. Names of the men called for final induction and their addresses:

Johnnie Gray Mayo, RFD 2, Wil liamston, and New York. Jodie Henry Jenkins, Parmele and Baltimore.

Harry Daniels, RFD 2, Robersonville, and Baltimore, William Clyde Johnson, RFD

Robersonville, and Brooklyn. and Norfolk

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ROUND-UP

Little activity was again reported on the crime front in this area over the week-end. According to a review of the jail record, only four persons were arrested and detained in the hoosegow during the period. Three were charged with being drunk and disorderly and one was charged with being drunk and disorderly and resisting arrest.

Three of the four persons were colored and the ages of the group ranged from 32 to 54 years.

NO MEETING

Last night for the first time in months no meeting of the lecal town commissioners was held on account of the absence of a quorum. Only the mayor, John L. Hassell, and one com-missioner, R. T. Griffin, reported. There was very little business on the calendar, however, and the few routine matters were carried over for consideration at a later meeting.

Sixty-Three Tires **Allotted By Board**

Sixty-three tires - fifty-five for automobile and eight for trucks with draft regulations, it was learn-Grade I tires were issued to the

Leslie E. Hardison, J. C. Manning, W. B. Harrington, Leon Earl Griffin, C. Bullock, Milton Godard, O. G. Carson, J. O. Keel, D. L. Hardy, Clarence Hardy, Elmer N. Modlin, Mat-thew Ores, Larry Barnhill, Luke Harrell, Jr., Claudius Hardison, Love Williams, L. S. Davis, J. M. Perry, Ed Warren, Daniel DeMary, William H. Taylor, J. J. Meeks, F. C. Wiliams, Starling Bell, H. A. Johnson A. E. Browder, Jim Lynch, Foy Rogerson, J. F. Manning, J. W. Taylor Joshua Herbert Coltrain, Isiah Green, J. Elliott Barnhill, Mrs. Alvis R. Jordan, W. H. Coburn, W. W. Geo. Henry Ruffing, Williamston Hinson, Jesse L. Hale, Lester Best, Mrs. H. J. Haislip, James Taylor, S. G. Burnett, J. D. Knox, Irvin G. Roberson, Frank Weathersbee, Frank Hopkins, Mrs. Tom Bailey, William Whitaker, Ben Cross, J. H. Hopkins, R. H. Salsbury, Andrew Mobley, R. S. Price, Claude Bryant, Willie Wiliams, Clarence Carr. Small truck tires were issued to

A. Manning, R. A. Critcher and Bro., Holt Evans, G. and H. Builders Supply Co., Manning and Gurkin.

Youth Will Undergo and radiator grill on Miss Margarette Ricks' car. Damage to all three ma-

Seriously wounded in France last dent. June 11, Pfc. Lewis Thomas Taylor, young son of Mrs. Maniza Taylor that he was blinded by the lights of details could be had, but a late re- tion, half a block away. port from the War Department indicated that he was not improving

Following the War Department message, Mrs. Whitaker received sevtimated that the bullet was still in his heart, and he thought they would send him back to the States where he will undergo an operation for its re-

EARLY EDITION

In an effort to make possible the distribution of the second edition of the week in as many rural communities as possible before next Monday. The Enta-prise will appear ahead of sched

nle the publishers hoping to re-lease the edition some time Thursday evening. Those parties or organizations planning to insert notices or other items are asked to submit their copy immediately. Items reaching the office after Wednesday afternoon are not certain of publica-

Armistice Day will not be ob-served as a general holiday, but no town or rural mail deliveries will be handled on Saturday, the 11th, and the banks and a few other business houses will close for the day.

Draft Registration

Twenty-five Martin County boys, eaching their eighteenth birthdays, registered for the draft last month, of that issue by approximately \$263,-A 26th one, Perfic Rogers, colored of 200, but the purchase of E bonds fell the Jamesville section, got his name \$22,833.50 below the \$285,450 quota. egistered for the draft last month. on the third registration books for the third period. He had been unavoidably detained by the authori-

Eleven of the twenty-five 18-year olds were white. One Brantley Bernard York, although he had volun teered and served in the Army and later discharged, registered when he became 18 last month. He will hardly be called again, however.

The registration list in the county

Brantly Bernard York, w. William Joseph Thomas Johnson, w. Rob

Chester Marriner, c, Jamesville. Charlie Brady, Jr., c, RFD 2, Rob

ersonville. Raymond Albritton, c, RFD 1, Bethel. Willie Lilley, Jr., w, RFD 1, Wil

Jonah Mack Stalls, w, RFD 1, Rob-

Johnnie Pharrar Williams, c, RFD Jonah Peel, c, RFD 1, Jamesville Ellen Warren Whitaker, w, Wil-

J. C. Savage, c, Oak City. Oliver Lynch, c, RFD 1, Oak City.

J. D. Willoughby, w, RFD 2, Wil-Walter Raynor Keel, w, Roberson-

Sammy Thomas Roberson, c, RFD Vernon Randolph Moore, w, Wil-

Ben Octavious Nichols, c, William-

Walter Clayton Purvis, w, RFD 1 Bethel. Cecil Benjamin Whitehurst, w,

RFD 2, Williamston. James Arthur Briley, c, 605 Freemason St., Norfolk. Floyd Edward Brown, c, William

Osborn Williams, c, Williamston. Burnett Webb, c, RFD 1, Roberson

William Daniel Leggett, w, RFD 1 Robersonville.

No One Hurt In Car Accident In Street

No one was hurt but considerable property damage resulted when Dr. A. J. Osteen crashed into N. K. Harrison's car parked on Haughton Street in front of the home of Mr. he following: L. T. Carrow, John and Mrs. Bill Harrison here last Thursday evening. Tearing into the rear of the Harrison car, the Osteen Ford was badly damaged, and the Operation On Heart chines was estimated at \$500 by Corporal W. S. Hunt of the Highway Patrol who investigated the acci-

Whitaker of this county, is expected an approaching car and forced to nome shortly from England to un- the right side of the street. He had dergo an operation on his heart. Few just driven from under a filling sta-

MEMORIAL SERVICE

Memorial services for Pfc. Asa .Taylor and Pvt. Bernice L. Rogerson, two county young men who made the supreme sacrifice for their country, will be held in the Rose of Sharon Free Will Baptist Church, near Bear Grass, next Sunday morning. The pastor, Rev. Charles Hamilton, will conduct the service and the public is invited.

Pfc. Taylor, a member of the church, and Pvt. Rogerson both entered the Army at the same time, August, 1943. Young Rogerson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Rogerson, was killed in action on May 26, this year, and Pfc. Taylor, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Robert Taylor, made the supreme sacrifice a few days later on June 2.

Asking County To Buy \$700,000 War Bonds

6th Bond Campaign Quota \$155,000 Less Than One Last June

Drive To Get Underway 20th Of This Month and Will End December 15

A new challenge-not an impossible one by any means—has been nade, and it is reasonably certain hat Martin County citizens will meet t and more. The Sixth War Bond Campaign opens on November 20th and Martin County people are being asked to invest at least \$700,000 -\$245,000 in E's and \$455,000 in nego-For the Past Month \$245,000 in E's and \$455,000 in negotiables—before the drive ends on December 15th. The quota for the new drive is \$155,000 less than the one assigned last June. It will be recalled that this county over-subscrib-

When the county failed to reach its E bond quota in that drive, it did not win a place for its name on one of the nation's fighting ships. Many counties met that challenge.

"There is entirely too much talk about V-Day which tends to make in prosecuting the war," Mr. W. H. president of the Guaranty Bank and a meeting at Washington of all the county chairmen for the Sixth War Loan Campaign. The ten counties in this region were represented at the neeting, and the large delegation vas guests of Mr. Woolard, after the meeting in the Washington Federal Court building, at his home on the Pamlico River. A barbecue and brunswick dinner was served all the county chairmen and others in-

terested in the War Loan Drive. "Although we have sold \$31,000,-000 in bonds in this region since the war began we still have a long ways to go and a hard road to travel before we get to Berlin and Tokyo," he regional chairman stated.

Mr. Woolard introduced Mr. C. T. Leinbach, chairman, N. C. War Finance Committee, who made a short talk and answered many questions regarding the next campaign. Mr. Leinbach said the drive would officially begin on November 20, and end December 15th. However, acording to the state chairman, al. bonds sold during the months of November and December would be credited to the drive.

"There can be no complacency, no etup in our efforts until Germany s decidedly more expensive than the as many ships to transport equipthe cost of all items is more expensive in the Pacific fight." He pointed the Fifth War Loan Drive was \$148,-000,000. This year it is only \$121,-000,000 and in many farming counties the quotas should be easily raised and exceeded because of the splendid financial conditions existing as a result of high prices for

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War Fund Is Still Short of Its Goal

Boosted by contributions reported in several districts, the United Harrison car, knocked forward, War Fund in Martin County, according to the latest available reports, is now just \$320.47 short of its original quota. Eight of the eleven districts in the county are over the top, and a ninth one is expected to start and complete its drive today, leaving one district and the colored citizens in five townships several hundred dollars behind their quotas. Hamilton added to its fund over the week-end to go over the top, and additional contributions were listed by Jamesville and Williamston Townships and the colored citizens boosted their total by \$55.32. Chairman N. C. Green is hopeful

the drive can be completed in the county before the end of this week. Many of the other counties have aleady reported, most of them exceedng their quotas by wide margins.

A review of the fund collections in the various districts, based on the latest available reports, follows:

	Quota Ar	nt. raised	1
Jamesville	\$ 650.00	\$ 845.00	(
Williams	150.00		į
Griffins	450.00	454.37	Į
Bear Grass	450.00	498.58	
Williamston	4,277.02	5,006.11	
Cross Roads	350.00	425.27	i
Robersonville	1,500.00	724.69	1
Poplar Point	135.00	162.40	į
Hamilton:			g
Hassell	100.00	85.00	į
Hamilton	275.00	282.67	ì
Goose Nest	300.00	442.69	į
Colored Citizens	900.00	289.30	
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STILL LAGGING

A sharp reduction in cotton production is still reflected in the latest ginning report just recently released by Mrs. Strelsa Griffin, special agent for the Bureau of the Census

Up until October 18, 1,129 bales of cotton had been ginned in the county from the current crop as compared with 1,973 bales ginned during the corresponding period a year ago.

The reduction is traceable to a decrease in acreage principally, but farmers explain that they are experiencing much trouble in having the crop pick-

Hold Centennial Meeting In Wilson

North Carolina Disciples will hold heir one hundredth State convention Wilson this week, a cordial invitation having been extended the member churches by the First Christian Church of Wilson to attend.

Attracting national leaders, the centennial convention is expected to us complacent and neglect our duties attract a record number of delegates Woolard, regional chairman and will be held tomorrow afternoon and visitors. The first of the sessions Trust Company, said last Sunday in of the regular sessions will open on Wednesday evening at 7:30 o'clock the program for that time including an address by Dr. Edgar DeWit Jones, pastor of the Central Woodward Church, Detroit, and a prominent national figure in the religious

The convention Thursday will dis cuss timely subjects, including "The Church's Place in the Postwar World", by Arthur Wilson; "Missions and the Present Crisis," by S. J. Corey, and special addresses, A business session will be held that afternoon, followed by an address by J. Wayne Drash and a centennial play that evening.

Addresses by John L. Davis and Dr. Virgil E. Havens, missionary, will feature the session Friday morning, and that afternoon Dr. Eugene C Beach, pastor of the Youngstown Ohio, church will address the conven-

Calls Attention To Three Percent Transportation Tax

s due the Federal Government on all receipts from "for hire" or transand Japan have been completely and unconditionally whipped," Mr. Lein- D. Lilley for this district said this each said. "The war in the Pacific week that very few were comply-European conflict. It takes twice haul or transport anything for profit center for final induction on Octoare supposed to register and pay the ber 25 were accepted by the Army, ment because of the distance and three per cent tax each month. It according to a report reaching here was pointed out that there is a \$50 a few days ago. penalty for those persons who do not out that North Carolina's quota in register and meet the tax require- Luke Harrell, Jr., Julian Robert

NO HOLIDAY

No Thanksgiving holiday will be observed by the schools in the county this year, it was announced this week by the office of the county board of education. It is likely that a short session will be held on Thursday, the 23rd, making it possible for the children to get home in time for a late Thanksgiving dinner. Thanksgiving Day programs will be held in many of the schools, and in some communities, religious groups will join the pupils for a special sermon that day. The Christmas holiday sched-

ule has not been fixed, it was stated. However, it is likely to be limited to a few days since there was considerable delay in starting the fall term.

Allies Score Gains All Along Western Front Last Evening

Armies Poised for Final **Great Offensive**

Although attention is centered for he most part on the fight around Vossenack, near Aachen, the Allies were reported to have scored gains all along the Western Front last night setting the stage for what many believe may be the final great offensive of the European war. In the Holland sector, Allied forces have cleared the approaches to Belgium's great port of Antwerp and reports state that supplies have already started moving through there for use on the Western Front. The successes there shorten the supply lines for the Allies by approximately 400 miles. During recent weeks supplies have moved mainly by truck from Cherbourg across the muddy roads of France by truck. The opening of Antwerp places the supplies within about fifty miles of the front where the British are battling and about miles from the American First

Southeast of Aachen the Americans under General Courtney Hodges had met the challenge and hurled back German counterattacks after losing last Saturday some of the ground gained a short time before. American dive bombers moved into the Huertgen Forest area to relieve the Americans as they engaged in terrific battle.

Working in close cooperation with the western strategy, Russian forces are in Budapest, and military observers see a drive toward Austria in the making. On the East Prussia front no developments have been reported during the past few days, but ncreased activity in that sector is aid to be brewing.

Hitler and his generals are shifting men from one spot to another, apparently expecting the lid to blow off at several points within the near fluture.

The drive in Italy apparently is still bogged down, but the fight there so far has been about as bitter as

Over in the Pacific theater, Allied forces are pounding Manila and still reducing Japan's might on the seas. Singapore was attacked over the week-end by Super-Forts, leading some observers to predict a drive in the Malay or Burma areas.

Observing the 27th anniversary of the Soviet Union, Marshal Joe Stalin yesterday said that the Red Army

Pointing out that a 3 per cent tax Eight County Boys Accepted By Army

Eight of the ten Martin County ing with the law, All persons who white boys reporting to an Army

The names of those accepted were Rawls, Jr., Marvin Elmo Haislip, Earl Taylor Mendenhall, Malotha Bowen Price, Alton Thomas Johnson, Spencer Eldred Coltrain and Otis Clifton Roberson.

According to unofficial information, Carey Garland Bunting and Robert Worsley James did not pass. A fairly sizable pre-induction call is to be answered by white boys, mostly those in the teen-age group, about week after next, and a final induction call, a comparatively small one, is expected for whites the latter part of the month.

Improving

Mr. Will S. Rhodes, a patient in a Washington hospital for about I three weeks, was reported improving yesterday.

Undergoing treatment in a Washington hospital for injuries received in a fall from a ladder last week, Mr. Kader Rogerson was reported much

Block Cleared on Market For First Time In Recent Weeks

After being blocked tight for about hundred higher than any previous seven straight weeks the local toin the history of the market. The of \$42.98. Between 150,000 and 175,-

week yesterday, the Williamston en million pounds. market yesterday had one of its most

bacco market is clearing its floors marketing period. To date, the lotoday, making for one of the most cal market has sold 9,679,726 pounds unusual marketing seasons to date for \$4,160,308.33 or an average price block, however, was not cleared un- 000 pounds were on the market early til an estimated 90 per cent or more today, and sales are almost certain of the crop in this immediate sec- to pass the ten million-pound mark tion had been sold, making another by Thursday of this week. With 90 block this season next to imposel- or 95 per cent of the crop already sold, it is expected that total sales Returning to the five-day selling for the season will hardly reach elev-

Reports from the belt state that successful sales of the season. While 301,314,722 pounds had been sold

fancy types held their own, the in- through last Friday at an average ferior grades, including green and of \$42.49, that sales for all the marnondescript grades, reached possibly kets had averaged \$44.65 during the the highest peak of the season, veter- past week. Sales on the local market 900.00 289.30 an warehousemen declaring that many of those grades were selling \$45, the figure having been exceed-\$6,537.0 \$9,216.55 as much as two to five dollars per ed once during the period.

Record Vote In County Today Early indications this morning | In the nation, the observers are pointed to a record vote in this coun- still guessing. Some give Mr. Roosety, political observers venturing to velt 35 states outright while others say the vote count will range be- maintain that the outcome will rest tween 4,500 and 5,000 before the polls on the way Pennsylvania goes. Still

close at 6:30 o'clock this evening. In others say that the serviceman's vote the nation the vote count will exceed may decide the election. Chairman 42 million, some observers predict- Hannegan says a landslide favoring ing that it will push close to fifty the Democrats is in the making.

The first returns from today's vot-

Even though there is no opposition ing should start coming in about 7:15

to the county ticket, Democrats in or 7:30 this evening. However, it is heart, but apparently it was inadvisthis county are showing consider- possible that the outcome of the elec- able to try to remove the bullet at able interest in the election today. tion will not be determined immed- that time. Lt. Col. Howard B. Kel-That the Democrats will score an ov- lately. Polls on the west coast do not logg, U. S. Army doctor, operated

erwhelining victory, early reports close until 11 o'clock tonight, and on the youth in a hospital in Engindicated that Republicans were vis- the count is certain to be slow in land. iting the polls in possibly greater those counties and states where the numbers than they did four years contests are close. And if neither in a government hospital in Georgia ago. However, it is believed that the party holds a substantial lead, it is suffering with eye and head trouble, total Republican vote in the county likely that it will be days or until and another brother, Charlie, was rewill not exceed 200 and that possi that time when the delayed service- cently reported to be getting along bly it will range between 100 and man's vote can be counted before all right somewhere in the Pacific the issue is finally determined. area.

Early Indications Point To A satisfactorily. eral letters from her son and he in-

> moval. It was reported in early September that the young man had already undergone one operation on his