

Several Injured In Car Accident Last Saturday Morning

One Victim Partially Paralyzed; Another Has Leg Broken

Five persons were injured, two of them badly, about 1:00 o'clock last Saturday morning when their car, a 1941 Ford sedan, went out of control and turned over in a curve at Dardens.

Partially paralyzed when his neck was hurt, Hallet Davis was removed to a Washington hospital for treatment. No late report on his condition has been received here. Ransom Davenport, his left leg reportedly broken in two places, was removed to the Marine hospital in Norfolk. Phillip Swinson, driver of the car, Billie Gene Tetterton and Miss Frances Griffin, passengers, were slightly bruised and shocked, but their injuries were not serious, according to Patrolman W. E. Saunders who investigated as soon as he learned of the accident later that day.

Damage to the car was estimated at \$600.

The party was returning in the direction of Jamesville to their homes from a beach resort dance when the driver apparently tried to round the curve at fifty or fifty-five miles an hour. Swinson lost control and the car plowed down the shoulder of the highway about 315 feet, turned over and came to a stop about thirty feet away in a field.

One report maintained that Tetterton, a victim of at least one serious motor vehicle accident, stated that he could drive the curve at 50 miles an hour and dared Swinson to try it.

The accident was one of three reported in the county last week-end.

Last Friday evening at 8:30 o'clock, several persons were hurt, none badly, in a truck-car crash at Oscar Edwards' service station on the Hamilton Highway.

William Henry Walston, employe of the Martin-Elliott Wholesale firm, had parked the firm's truck and trailer on the left shoulder of the highway in front of the station while unloading an order of goods. Melbon Donaldson, driving a 1937 Plymouth in the direction of Hamilton, saw the lights of the truck and thought he was on the wrong side of the road. Blinded by the lights, Donaldson turned to the left and the left front of his car plowed into the truck.

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Several Buildings Destroyed By Fire

Fire of undetermined origin destroyed two homes, a store building used as a rooming house and a barbershop in Jamesville early last Friday morning. No estimate on the loss could be had, but one report stated that the damage would possibly exceed \$3,000, including the loss of contents. It could not be learned if insurance was carried on the property.

When discovered about 7:30 o'clock that morning the fire was burning through the five-room home of Norma Staton, colored. The fire spread to an old store building where several workers were rooming, and then caught the 4-room home of Emma Gray. Hubert Wooten's barbershop caught next.

Most of the contents in the Staton home, including the clothes of several families, were burned, but most of the contents in the other buildings were saved, according to reports reaching here.

The fire, raging for less than an hour, left at least ten or twelve people homeless.

ROUND-UP

Following two periods of little activity on the crime front in this section, local, county and state officers had a fairly busy time last week-end when they rounded up eight alleged law violators.

Three of the eight were white and the ages of the group ranged from 21 to 45 years.

Four of the eight were arrested for public drunkenness, two for adultery and one each for breaking and entering and assault with a deadly weapon.

Humanity Calling For Help



A YUGOSLAV MOTHER holds her baby which she has managed to keep alive by feeding it her own meager ration. Both are typical of millions suffering from acute malnutrition in Europe and Asia who will die unless more food is provided immediately. You can help by giving money or canned food to the Emergency Food Collection.

LAND SALE

One hundred and forty-two parcels of land were offered for sale for delinquent taxes by Martin County at the courthouse door Monday. Taxes due and unpaid in the 142 cases amounted to hardly \$1,000. Tax collector M. L. Peel pointing out that the individual amounts ranged from a few cents to about \$80.

There were no individual bidders and the county bought most of the tracts, titles to which will be transferred in the course of time.

Bookmobile Now Operating On Its Summer Schedule

Improved Service Being Offered Readers In The County This Year

The Bookmobile goes on summer schedule next week. With an increase in the use of the service, it has become necessary to continue the five day schedule during the summer.

Good books for vacation reading are ready for the children and adults. A few of the new adult titles are: Yankee Storekeeper by Gould; W. Ke of the Red Witch by Roark; Doctors East Doctors West by Norton; Golden Earrings by Foldes; This Side of Innocence by Caldwell; Earth Could Be Fair by Van Paassen; Torrents of Spring by Payne; Hawk Flight by Hull; D. A. Breaks a Seal by Gardner; Out of Control by Kendrick; A Solo in Tom-Toms by Fowler; This and No Further by Godden; This House Against This House by Sheehan; Lustre in the Sky by Waldeck; A Treasury of Names by Wells.

The summer schedule follows: Monday, June 10: Edward's Service Station, 10; Sherrod Farm, 10:30; Hamilton Bank, 11; Gold Point, 1; and Robersonville Public Library, 2:30.

Tuesday, June 11: Hassell, 10; Edmonson Service Station, 11:30; Oak City, Barrett's Drug Store, 1; Smith's Store on Palmyra Road, 2:30.

Wednesday, June 12: Everetts, Ayers' Store, 10; Cross Roads Church, 12:15; House community, 2; Parmele, Chesson's Station, 3.

Thursday, June 13: Griffin's Service Station, 9:15; Farm Life, Manning & Gurkin Store, 10; Smithwick's Creek Community, 11; Corey's Cross Roads, 12; Bear Grass, Terry Bros. Store, 1:15; Wynne's Service Station, 2:30.

Friday, June 14: Dardens, Jordan's Store, 9:30; Browning's Store, 10:45; Ange Town, 11:45; Popular Chapel Church, 1; Jamesville, 2.

This schedule will be followed throughout the summer months. Many stops will be made between those listed above. If you cannot meet the bookmobile at the stop in your community, please flag the truck as it passes your house or write to the Librarian, Regional Library, Box 65, Washington, North Carolina.

Town Authorities In Regular Meet Here Last Night

Order Purchase of USO Fixtures and Furniture for \$697

Meeting in regular session here last night the town commissioners discussed a varied business calendar, including such items as street paving, water line extensions and an application for a franchise to operate regular bus schedules within the town limits or within a radius of one mile of the town.

Representing the group interested in the establishment of a local youth center, Attorney Wheeler Martin explained to the commissioners that the furniture and fixtures used by United Service Organizations in the American Legion Hut could be bought for \$697, that the original cost was between \$3,500 and \$4,000. The town agreed to buy the equipment and it is being stored temporarily in the high school gymnasium.

A tentative petition was placed before the board for paving one block of Park Street between Warren Street and Marshall Avenue. The measure was passed subject to the legal preparation of petitions by the property owners.

The authorities agreed to run a water line approximately 300 feet from Marshall Avenue across private property to service a sprinkler system in the W. I. Skinner Tobacco Company plant. The cost, it was estimated, will run around \$1,000. (Continued on page three)

Beta Club Group Tours the Capital

The Williamston High School Beta Club has recently returned from a five day educational and sight-seeing tour of Washington, D. C. and other points. The trip included the Sky-Line Drive and the Luray Caverns on the way there. The points visited while in Washington were Shapesspearan Library, Congressional Library, Supreme Court Building, Congressman Bonner's office, the House of Representatives and the Senate, Washington Monument, the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, Smithsonian Institute, the National Museum of Natural History, National Art Gallery, Lincoln Memorial, Arlington National Cemetery and the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, Lee Mansion, Federal Bureau of Investigation, the Zoo, Franciscan Monastery, Union Station, Jefferson Memorial, the National Airport, and Mount Vernon. The party attended theatres on two nights and spent one evening at the Glen Echo amusement and recreational park. On the return trip the party came by Williamsburg and Yorktown.

The group was chaperoned by Mrs. Evelyn Manning, sponsor, and Sam D. Bundy, principal, served as guide and director. It was the sixteenth such group taken to Washington by Mr. Bundy. Others in the party were Mrs. Sam D. Bundy and two sons, Sam, Jr., and James Henry, Mrs. Jessie White, Miss Verna Belle Lowery, Mr. Frank Hopkins, Mr. Roy Hadley, Mr. Robert Peele, Mrs. R. H. Peele, Mrs. George Peele, Misses Louise Griffin, Elizabeth Manning, Elizabeth Parker, Louise Hines, Edna Hadley, Mary Lou Coltrane, Lucy Robertson, Melba Revels, Louisa Frances Peele, Lola Peele, Alice Wynne, Lucy Andrews, Marceline Johnson, Elizabeth Hopkins, Jean Stinette, and John Gurkin and Ernest Wynne.

Details of the trouble leading up to the shot gun attack could not be learned, but they will be aired when a hearing is scheduled, Sheriff C. B. Roebuck said.

Start Collection Tuesday Morning

Meeting in Chairman Hildreth Mobley's office last evening, the Lions Club local Emergency Food Collection Committee completed plans for canvassing this district in support of the humanitarian movement to relieve the starving in other lands. The people of this area are again asked to support the worthy cause, remembering that life itself depends on generous contributions and that the canvassers are working without pay.

Several contributions have been forwarded to members of the committee and they will be acknowledged soon along with others.

Word received here from national headquarters indicates a good response over the nation.

Firemen Called To Trash Pile Friday

Local firemen were called out last Friday morning when fire started in the paper trash pile near the Lee Glenn home on East Main Street. The fire was under control when the firemen reached there and damage was negligible.

TB "Cures" Make Good Employees Doctors Declare

"Arrested Cases" Should Seek Employment But Not Manual Labor

(The following is one in a series of articles prepared by the North Carolina Tuberculosis Association and sponsored by civic organizations.—ed.)

Not so many years ago tuberculosis was commonly called consumption, the "wasting" disease. Novels, plays and even operas were written about lovely heroines whose lives were slowly ebbing away as a result of this disease.

Today we know a great deal more about tuberculosis than we did at the beginning of the century. We know that it can be cured, particularly if it is discovered early, and we know it can be discovered before outward symptoms appear by means of chest X-rays.

Knowing more of the nature of the disease, we know that its victim is not necessarily doomed. The person who has had tuberculosis can return to useful, satisfying occupations when treatment has been completed. The only safe treatment is rest, complete bed rest, which is best obtained in a hospital for the tuberculous.

When the patient receives his medical discharge from the hospital as "cured"—or, as the doctors prefer to say, "an arrested case"—there is no reason why he should not seek employment in an occupation which appeals to him so long as it does not require strenuous manual labor.

Many employers are eager to hire former TB patients because experience has shown they are, as a rule, good employees. But some employers still believe such persons are poor health risks.

Actually, the former TB patient is usually a good health risk. While in the hospital he has learned how to protect his health and is able to avoid many of the common illnesses to which other people fall victim from time to time.

And the fact that he once had tuberculosis does not mean that he may be endangering the health of his associates. While tuberculosis is a communicable disease and people catch it from people who have an active case, an arrested case cannot transmit the disease to others.

While physicians advise former tuberculous patients against accepting employment which requires great physical exertion, it is not dangerous for them to take other types of work.

High blood pressure will be discussed in the next column.

Plan To Attend Kiwanis Meeting

The Kiwanis Club of Williamston today announced the delegates that it will send to the 1946 International Convention of Kiwanis International, June 9 to 13, at Atlantic City, N. J.

They are: President Wheeler Martin and Ex-Governor Sam D. Bundy.

Hamilton Holt, prominent southern industrialist and president of Kiwanis International, will preside at the five-day meeting, which is expected to attract some 10,000 men and women from all sections of the United States and Canada.

Many leaders in business, industry, agriculture, and government, have accepted invitations to address the convention. The speaking program will feature Dr. Ralph W. Sockman, pastor of Christ church, New York; Harold E. Stassen, former governor of Minnesota and delegate to the San Francisco Conference; General Omar N. Bradley, administrator of veterans affairs; Rep. Claire Boothe Luce of Connecticut; Secretary of Agriculture Clinton P. Anderson; William K. Jackson, Boston, president of the Chamber of Commerce of the United States; Lionel Chevrier, Ottawa, minister of transport, Dominion of Canada, and Drew Pearson, nationally known newspaper columnist and radio commentator.

Kiwanis International cancelled its annual conventions during the war and next month's meeting will be the first since Cleveland four years ago.

Youth Loses Life In Accident Near Here

Clyde T. Paul Is Fatally Injured Saturday Evening

Motorcycle Crashes Into Car After Passing Warning Light

Clyde T. Paul, 32 years old and a member of the Merchant Marine, was fatally injured shortly after 8:00 o'clock last Saturday evening when he drove his new high-powered motorcycle into an automobile near here on the Washington Highway. His neck apparently broken, skull fractured and left leg mangled, the young man died in a local hospital at 1:25 o'clock Sunday morning without regaining consciousness.

Just recently returned to this country from an ocean crossing, young Paul was traveling toward his home in the Aurora section to visit relatives when he was fatally injured. Reportedly traveling at 50 or 55 miles an hour, Paul was said to have run by, possibly without seeing it, a warning light, and struck a car being driven by Dallas Taylor, recently returned serviceman. He was thrown seventy-two feet through the air, his motorcycle landing eighteen feet from the spot where the two vehicles crashed.

Cpl. W. T. Simpson of the Highway Patrol, reporting the accident, stated that he trailed the Taylor car from near the Old Mill Inn and signaled the driver to stop because the car had no rear light burning. Taylor applied his brakes, and the car swerved to the right and ran onto the shoulder and back on the highway, stopping at an angle on the highway with the left front wheel a few inches over the center line. The highway corporal stopped on the shoulder a short distance ahead of the Taylor car and got out. He saw the motorcycle approaching and thinking it was an automobile with one headlight burning he waved his flashlight in an effort to stop the vehicle. Paul, either ignoring the warning or possibly failing to see it, drove full speed ahead, the highway corporal darting to one side to get out of the way. A few seconds later the motorcycle crashed into the car which was at a standstill on the highway. A passenger, in the act of getting out of the car, was thrown to the concrete by the crash but he or none of the others in the machine was hurt.

No estimate on the property damage could be had, but the left front of the car was badly damaged and the chassis was bent. The front part of the motorcycle was not damaged, but the left side from the handlebar to the back was wrecked. The motorcycle, its rear view mirror on the left handlebar unbroken, had been driven less than 1,000 miles.

Paul's body was turned over to a Washington undertaker and removed there early Sunday morning where it was prepared for burial. The last rites were conducted Monday morning at 11:00 o'clock by Rev. F. C. Hodges, Holiness minister of Grimesland, and interment was in the South Creek cemetery.

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Mrs. C. A. Stancil Died Thursday

Funeral services were conducted last Friday afternoon at 4:00 o'clock at the home for Mrs. Charles A. Stancil, mother of Mrs. Chas. Manning of Williams-ton, who died at her home in Washington last Thursday afternoon following a short illness. Rev. C. Freeman Heath, pastor of the First Methodist Church of which Mrs. Stancil was a member for many years, conducted the last rites. Interment was in Oakdale cemetery, Washington.

Mrs. Stancil, daughter of the late Seth Bridgeman and Mary Carrow Bridgeman, was born in Washington on April 6, 1882. She was married to Mr. Stancil in 1917.

Surviving besides her daughter here, are Mr. Stancil and a granddaughter.

County Board Of Commissioners In All-Day Meeting

New Negro Farm Agent Named, To Succeed Oliver Carter, Resigned

Although little business other than of a routine nature was scheduled for consideration, the Martin County Commissioners had quite a few matters placed before them at the last minute and they spent just about all of Monday clearing their desk. Even then they did not get around to county budget figures. A special meeting will be called later in the month by Chairman R. L. Perry for a discussion of budget estimates and tax rates.

Receiving a petition from the County Board of Education, the commissioners ordered a special school election to be held in Robersonville to ascertain the wishes of the qualified voters relative to the levying of a 20-cent special tax to supplement the minimum stat-supported school term. The election is to be held on July 6, and Mr. Allen R. Osborne was appointed registrar, and Messrs. Mayo Little and Charles R. Gray, judges of elections.

Richard Edwards of Greene County was appointed Negro farm agent for Martin County to succeed Oliver Carter, resigned. Edwards studied at Tennessee State College and was graduated from A. and T. College, Greensboro. For the past nine months he served as assistant agent in Bertie County. R. W. Wilson also applied for the agent's job.

Oliver Carter, starting as Martin County's first Negro farm agent twenty-two years ago, received \$12.50 a month from the county. During his long period of service, he handled an effective work, and the commissioners never heard a word spoken against his work. He proved himself a leader among his race, and contributed much to the general advancement of his people and the county, as a whole.

A budget estimate was submitted to the commissioners by the Welfare Department for consideration. The superintendent, Mary W. Taylor, and Mrs. Wheeler Martin, Sr., and C. C. Fleming, members of the county welfare board, discussed the budget with the commissioners.

The Forest Fire Service asked that \$2,600 be included in the new budget for forest fire protection in the county during the coming year. Warden Marvin Leggett reported that there were 28 forest fires in the county last year, that 7,000 acres of timberland were destroyed.

Poppy Sale Nets \$200 In County

The sale of poppies in the county last Saturday netted approximately \$200, Mrs. John A. Ward, president of the John Walton Hassell American Legion Post Auxiliary, announced this week.

Income from the sale of the 1,500 poppies was slightly less than the amount received a year ago, it was pointed out, but the auxiliary officers and members expressed their appreciation to those who handled the sale and to those who bought the little artificial flowers made by hospitalized veterans in the nation.

A complete report on the sale is being delayed pending returns from one or two of the rural communities.

Money raised will be used to help rehabilitate families of veterans of both wars.

BIBLE SCHOOL

Williamston's annual union daily vacation Bible school had a very successful opening yesterday morning, Miss Ethel Guest, the superintendent, stating that 184 pupils were enrolled the first day and that 25 teachers were present to handle the classes and direct the varied activity program. Scheduled to run two weeks, the school opens each morning at 9:00 o'clock for a period of three hours. The school is prepared to handle a larger enrollment, the superintendent explained.

CRITICALLY ILL

Peggy Harrison, the young daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Harrison of Bear Grass and who has had approximately 150 blood transfusions, this week was reported critically ill in Duke hospital. Last reports state that she continues in a semi-conscious condition, that she has been unable to take a blood transfusion in about ten days, that only glucose was keeping her little body and soul together. Mrs. Harrison continues at her bedside.

A patient in the hospital for over five weeks, the little girl had firmly hoped she would be able to return home before now.

Her friends here and in the county have not forgotten her, a report stating that the local Lions had deposited another \$37.50 to her credit in a local bank.

Ayers' Store In Oak City Robbed On Sunday Night

Robber Trained To Highway By Bloodhounds Early Monday Morning

Breaking through a back window, a robber or robbers entered the store of Joe Ayers, member of the Martin County Draft Board, in Oak City some time during the early hours of last Sunday night.

First reports reaching here stated that several sports suits, dress shirts, a number of cartons of cigarettes, and cigars and tobaccos, one or two checks and about fourteen or fifteen dollars in cash were stolen.

The robbery was discovered about 11:15 that night when one of the store employees went there on an errand. The owner was called and officers were notified a short time later. Bloodhounds were ordered out from Greenville and they picked up a trail leading from the store, to the railroad, down the railroad and across to Highway 125 where the robbers boarded a waiting car. After following the trail during the hours of darkness, the officers waited until daylight and placed the dogs on the trail again. The same course was followed, and a dollar bill and several small pieces of change were found which the robbers apparently had dropped along the way. None of the goods stolen from the store was found.

Investigating the robbery, Sheriff Roebuck stated that the robbers dumped papers and other articles in the middle of the office floor and apparently wandered around the store, moving articles from one place to another. It is thought by some that the robbers were in the rear of the store when the employee entered the front, that they slipped out the window without being seen.

A lead is understood to have been established in the case but late Monday no official report had been released.

Officers Destroy Two Liquor Stills

Returning to the Flat Swamp section of Robersonville last week-end after dealing the illicit liquor traffic in that area a telling blow a few days earlier, Officers J. H. Roebuck and Roy Peel wrecked two more liquor plants and poured out a quantity of beer. The first plant was equipped with a 50-gallon capacity oil drum and had 50 gallons of cheap beer. The operators were using a keg for a cap and pump pipe for connections.

About one mile from the church, the officers found a second plant equipped with two drums for still. They poured out two barrels of beer.

The operators, possibly disturbed by the previous raid, were preparing to move the plant.