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Final Session Of

Continued To Hasten

End Of Term

County Superior Court, schedul-

ed to hear both criminal and civil

types of cases during the week,

unexpectedly completed its work

and folded its tent Tuesday after-

noon. Adjournment was hasten-

ed when eleven criminal cases

were continued, mainly because

of a sudden death in the family

of one of the practicing attorneys

early that morning.

The June term of the Martin

Six Divorces Are **Granted Tuesday In Superior Court** One Denied, Juror Withdrawn In One Case; Several Others Continued

Six divorces were granted in the Martin County Superior Court last Tuesday after the trial of the criminal docket was completed ahead of time on account of a death in the family of one of the practicing attorneys. One divorce pleading was denied by jury. In another case a juror was withdrawn and the pleadings will be repeated possibly at the September term. Several divorce cases were continued at the last minute when some of the applicants were unable to finance the actions and others could not get furloughs from the armed forces to appear in court.

trict.

Most of the divorce cases handled by the court Tuesday were based on grounds of two years' separation. A few other civil cases were handled and after dismissing the jury, Judge Walter Bone, presiding, held a hearing in the Montgomery versus Smithwick case.

Divorces, based on two years separation, were granted, as follows:

Archie Snow from Elizabeth Snow. Contrary to the name implication, it was a hot day in court. Lawyers perspired freely and the presiding officer made them sweat because he insisted that all details be handled in strict accordance with the meaning of the law.

Delzora Broadnax from Richard Broadnax. Although a second cause-impotency-was listed in support of the divorce claim, the motion was allowed on two years' separation.

D. O. Stancill from Clara G. Stancill; Oscar Little from Irena Little. Emma Gray Little from Clarence Little. In the last case the court gave the plaintiff custody of the litigants' child, Ethel Lee Little, ruling that the father may visit the child.

A juror was withdrawn in the divorce case brought by Simon Daniel Moore against Alma Mae Moore. The two-year separation claim was not recognized because 1944, died at 4:48 o'clock Thurs- in the sum of \$50. the plaintiff was on good term

Jamesville Citizens Petition Seeking Boarding Grand Jury Makes Authorities Spend All Day Superior Court In For Special School Election Homes for Orphan Recommendations Studying Budget Estimate Supported by petitions signed local group. At a special meet

y possibly one hundred or more ing Thursday morning, the board citizens in the district the James-ville local school committee this week appealed to the County missioners to set up machinery

Board of Education for a special for holding the special election on school tax election. The action Saturday, July 20. The petition was taken after the petitions were was recognized and granted by circulated and after a meeting of the commissioners in their special about twenty-five interested citi- meeting Thursday and election ofzens met and discussed the pro- ficials were named and dates fixposal at a public meeting held in ed.

Jamesville earlier this week. The registration books will be Much interest has already been opened on Saturday of this week shown in the proposal which has and continue open through Satalready been pledged strong sup- urday, July 6. The books vil' be port by leading farmers, business opened for challenge c i July 13. men and other citizens in the dis-\$100 assessed property valuation,

The appeal was directed to the the proposal will supplement the board of education by Local Com- minimum state-supported school mittemen J. C. Kirkman, chair- term, and will be limited, princiman, J. A. Gardner, secretary, pally to Jamesville Township, it and Elmer Modlin, member of the was pointed out.

DELAYED

A complete switchover from the well near the courthouse to the new pumping stations at Skewarkey has been delayed for a few days,

but most of the water flowing into the mains is now coming from one of the new wells. It was explained that one or two strategic parts needed for one of the new wells could not be had just at this time. Until the needed parts are made available, water will be taken from the other new well at Skewarkey. The one well, however, will not furnish quite enough water to meet the demand, and some water will be taken from the courthouse station.

A complete changeover is expected within a few days.



County Children In Regular Report

viding Homes, Asked To See Welfare Agency

One or more foster board needed in Martin County so that children may be given good care making a few recommendations in them until arangements can be to the county commissioners. nade for their permanent care.

There are many reasons which ontribute to the making of homeless children. Among such reasons are: Broken homes, either Calling for a 20-cent tax on the temporary or permanent; death of one or both parents; emergencies such as illness of the mother,

leaving no one who will be re sponsible for the children; irre- Londs in order. sponsible and unstable mother, absence of the father where there

Handles Fifteen glect. There are today in the county, **Cases In Mayor's** children in need of a home outdren who have a right to a nor-**Court This Week**

Docket Is Largest Reported By Justice J. L. Hassell

In Several Weeks Justice John L. Hassell reported the largest docket in some time when he handled fifteen cases in his court a few days ago. Fines amounting to \$45 were collected, and several defendants were bound over to the county

court for trial. Booker Lanier and Willie B. ment agency. Roberts, charged with disorderly conduct, were each fined \$5 and required to pay \$7.50 costs.

Charged with being drunk and with an affray, Charlie Wiggins and Levi Smith were each fined \$2.50 and taxed with \$7.50 costs. Operating a motor vehicle with no rear light, Askew Brown was

fined \$10 and taxed with \$6 costs. Linwood Brown, charged with disorderly conduct, was required

to pay \$7.50 costs. Lewis Freeman, charged with Nash County and a resident of larceny, was bound over to the Williamston since November, county court for trial under bond Charged with an assault with a

Leon Jones, James Moore, Leon

Skyles and Clifton Peel, charged

with gambling, were bound over

Local Lions Club

tion held in Raleigh.

Pursous Interested In Pro. Body Completes Work For The Term Last Monday Afternoon

> its work early Mon-Grand Jury filed its report in open court and recessed after The report, filed by Foreman James Harrington, reads, in de-

tail, as follows: We have passed on all bills of indictment presented to us. We visited the Clerk of Court office and found it to be in excellent condition with all Guardian Accounts filed.

We found the Register of Deeds office in excellent shape and all The Sheriff's office and Tax Collector's office were visited and

is no mother; and parental ne- found in good condition with all records up to date. We visited the office of the Sup-

erintendent of Schools and found ide of their natural home, chil- it in excellent condition. We checked all justices of peace mal life. The Martin County reports and found them all filed Welfare Department has the op- with the Clerk of Court and fines

portunity of knowing the condi- submitted to the treasurer. We visited the County Jail and

Certain standards set by the found it to be clean and well kept. Four Openings In State Board of Welfare must be We found 8 Negro male inmate: met in order to qualify for a and 1 white male inmate.

'foster boarding home." After We visited the County Home an investigation of the home by and Prison Farm and found the County Welfare Department, everything in good condition. it must be approved by the State We recommend about six more Board. The amount paid for board chairs for the Courtroom.

varies, according to the child's We recommend a private toilage, and the payment may be et for both male and female em made by relatives or by the placeployees of the Courthouse.

We recommend putting screens A "foster boarding home" is not in the windows of the cook room a rooming or boarding house, but at the County Sanitorium.

a home in which there is both a father and a mother. The parents Select Candidates of the home must be of suitable age and temperament to care for **In Beauty Contest** children. Each member of the

family must be in good mental and physical health, and the total number of children in the foster chosen to compete in the beauty with two teachers and that only pageant being sponsored by the four faculty positions were to be home, including the family's own

children, must not exceed six. Williamston Junior Chamber of filled. There must be other sources of in- Commerce in cooperation with come in the home, in addition to local merchants and other busi-the income received for the board ness firms. Others will be an-University, returned his signed County Boy Picked ness for model of the defendant pleaded with false pretense, the defendant pleaded with the defendant pleaded to the matter of the defendant pleaded to nounced later, it was learned.

The "foster boarding home"

Term On Tuesday The Martin County Commis- 1945-46, that possibly an increase of one-half cent in the tax rate sioners spent all day Thursday of Eleven Criminal Cases Are a necessary to meet the this week reviewing preliminary requirements. The following budget figures submitted oy the budget estimates were submitted

various county departments for for consideration: the 1946-47 fiscal year. Only ten-General county, \$89,441; por homes for children are greatly day afternoon, the Martin County tative estimates were advanced, fund, \$4,560; health department

> public shortly, it was explained. 611.00. Other than maintaining the A report on the school budget school plants and handling school estimate could not be had imme debts, the tentative budget calls diately, but with an expansion for approximately \$173,000 for the program considered vitally necesnext fiscal year. The amount is ray, the trend there is almost cer slightly larger than the budget re- tain to be upward.

> quirements for the fiscal year No official report could be had. now drawing to a close. It was but preliminary estimates indi explained, however, that the bond cate that a reduction in the tax indebtedness for the new period rate is hardly possible or advisis \$10,000 greater than it was for able for the new fiscal period.



PARALYSIS

The first case of infantile paralysis of the year was reported on the T. L. Johnson farm in Goose Nest Township on Wednesday of this week. The victim, Lee Curtis Cross, 2-year-old son of William Cross, had been a patient in a Greenville hospital for about two weeks before he became paralyzed in his right arm and side and his case was definitely diagnosed as poliomyelitis.

The colored infant is being removed to Gastonia for treatment, according to information coming from the health department office Thursday.

nounced later, it was learned. The list of entries and the spon- contract this week following his unanimous election by the board As A Delegate To than three years. Sayage it was **Prague Conference** alleged, obtained clothes from R. contractor, under false pretense. The case charging Frank Belchmans' ughter was continued be-

Yet To Be Filled **Miss Brantley Resigns; Miss** Florine Clark To Head

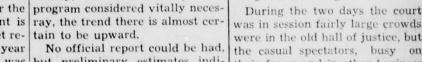
Faculty Positions

Economics Department

Williamston's local committee-Messrs. R. L. Coburn, C. B. Clark and R. H. Goodmon-is rapidly completing arrangements for opening and operating the local schools next term, a report committee this week stating that a Thirteen candidates have been principal had been named along

Burton G. Stewart, holder of A contract this week following his a few days ago. Mr. Stewart, a Miss Nancy Biggs will be Miss native of Carteret County, startel his teaching profession in Mon-

the action now being subject to \$9,910; bond and interest and public review and study. Com- sinking fund, \$46,781; old age asplete figures could not be had in sistance, \$8,940; aid to dependent time for publication this week, children, \$3,840; aid to the blind, but they will be offered in an of- \$939; and welfare administration, ficial budget estimate to be made \$9,200, making a total of \$173,

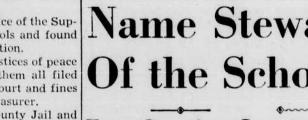


their farms and in other business oursuits, were limited in number. Proceedings:

Pleading guilty in the case harging him with higamy, Jerry Hardwick, a native of Florida as sentenced to the roads for not ess than three and not more than five years. The sentence is to bethe expiration of an gighteen months term he is now erving for violation of the law in Pitt County. Hardwick, it was alleged, married in Grifton last November, and came to this county and married "Sweetie" Williams in January of this year.

The year-old case charging Kader Brown with reckless driving was nol prossed after having been continued for several terms The following cases were continued until the September term: John E. Williams, false pretense: Henry L. Harvey, drunken driving; Early May Boston, assault with a deadly weapon; Ben Nichols, breaking and entering and larceny and receiving; Roberta Baker, assault with a deadly weapon; James Bannerman, as sault with a deadly weapon with intent to kill; Frank Belcher, irunken driving and manslaughter; Willie Savage, false pretense; Joe Bell, false pretense, and Peter

Williams, false pretense. In a second case in which Wilie Savage was charged with false than three years. Savage, it was J. Brock, Williamston building er with drunken driving and cause one of the prosecuting witnesses, Marcellus Newsome, Bertie County man, continues in a Durham hospital for treatment of



with the defendant when he left daughter, Mrs. H. V. Wheeler, deadly weapon, Wallace C. Moore for foreign military service in February, 1944. It was also birth to an illegitimate child in years and had been confined to the county court next week. proof could be offered at the trial was the victim of several paralyand a juror was withdrawn at the tic strokes, suffering the last one direction of Judge Bone who commented that it was apparent that a divorce was in order, but time and the end was not unexthat sworn evidence would have to be offered in the case.

The divorce case brought by Ella R. Taylor against Thurston Taylor, Jr., was dismissed when the jury found that the plaintiff had not been a resident of North Carolina six months prior to the time the action was instituted. In the case of C. H. Godwin,

Jr., against Arnicia Slade, the

(Continued on page six) File Report On **Food Collection**

Making a semi-final report on the food collection drive conducted in this section by the local Lions Club, Chairman H. P. Mobley said Thursday noon that a total of \$1.365.72 had been raised, that possibly final reports expected over the week-end would boost 600. A canvass of the residential section was called off last Sunday afternoon when too few of the workers found it convenient to participate, it was learned. Anyone wishing to make a contribution is humbly asked to deliver it to the chairman or any member of the Lions Club. It is planned to wind up the canvass this week end.

Contributions not previously acknowledged:

Mrs. Marine Whitley, \$1; Colphone Company, \$12; L. Bruce Wynne, \$5; Lorene Rogerson, \$1; is very bright. Juanita Coltrain, \$1; Dorothy Manning, \$1; Lucille Rogerson, \$1; M. L. Peele, \$5; Joe Roebuck, \$1; Mary Taylor, \$2.50; Lorene Nobles, \$1; Paul Simpson, \$5; Ter-

day morning at the home of his here on Rhodes Street. He had was required to raise bond in the been in declining health for two sum of \$50 for his appearance in his bed since last February. He on Tuesday of this week. His condition had been critical since that under bond in the sum of \$50. pected.

The son of the late Allyson Strickland and wife, he was born in Nash County near Spring Hope sion of the county recorder's on December 6, 1866. After court.

William Stokes was fined \$10 spending his early life on the and required to pay \$7.50 costs farm he was employed by a Batin the case charging him with distleboro oil mill, retiring on acorderly conduct. count of failing health about two Drunk on the highway, Colfax years ago. In early manhood he Speller was fined \$5 and taxed was married to Miss Evelyn Batwith \$7.50 costs. ton who survives with one daugh-

ter, Mrs. Wheeler, six grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren. The body was removed to a

Rocky Mount funeral home Thursday morning and services will be conducted at the graveside on the old home farm near

Spring Green Friday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Rev. H. M. Pope, pastor of the local Holiness Church, will conduct the last rites and burial will be in the family cemetery.



Critically burned while helping and carried out by a club, and is work during the past year .-to prepare a meal in her home about the highest honor that can Marie Peel. be given. There are 40-odd clubs near Jamesville, Little Miss Emma Padgett continues to improve in this district that compete for To Occupy Vacated in the local hospital. Rounding this award. The presentation was

made by Lion J. L. Seal of Hendout nine weeks Thursday in the hospital, the little girl has been erson, chairman of the Activities

an ideal patient during her long Committee, and was accepted by stay there. When her condition Wheeler Manning, local club secwas not very encouraging a short retary.

onial Stores, \$5; Employees Tele- time ago she was given several The Raleigh convention was pints of blood plasma and now she one of the most successful ever Street is being made ready for held, and was largely attended. two new tenants.

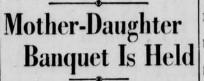
Possibly with the exception of Representing the local club were The Ayers Electric Company the late little Miss Paggy Harri- Lions H. P. Mobley, Kenneth P. will occupy one side of the buildson who spent so much time in Lindsley and Wheeler Manning, ing shortly, and B. A. Critcher, the hospital during a five-year along with the wives of the latter Jr., and Miller Harrell are planperiod, "we have never had a bet- two. The convention voted to ning to open a shoe store in the ry Brothers, \$5; and C. U. Rogers, ter little patient," Dr. V. E. hold next year's session at Ashe- other side within the next several Brown said this week. ville.

must conform to the county sani- sors follow: tation laws; must provide adequate sleeping quarters, proper Alpha Cleaners. diet, a vard in which children can

play; and be accessible to church be Miss Davis Pharmacy. and school facilities. Persons in the county, who are Miss Western Auto. interested in giving "foster board-

to the county court for trial, each ing home" care to children, may Miss Weir Furniture Co. communicate with Miss Mary W. Charged with the larceny of Taylor, superintendent of the Miss Baker Oil Co. \$31, Oscar Morrow was required Martin County Welfare Departto raise bond in the sum of \$100 ment.-Reported. for his appearance at the next ses-

of the children.



Local girls scouts and Brownies and their mothers were entertained at a banquet in the Woman's Club hall here last. Wednesday evening, the event marking the last meeting of the scouts before the summer recess.

Wins State Award Following a delicious meal served by the ladies of the Meth-The Williamston Lions Club odist church, a very interesting gained state-wide honors last program was rendered by the scouts. The ten scout laws were week-end, when it was announcgiven in pantomime by members ed that the local club had won the Activities Award for District 31- of the various troops. Marie Peele, Sallie Roberson and Jean C, for clubs with 36-65 members. This announcement was made at Ward Mobley of the North Star

the 24th Annual State Conven- Patro! won prizes for the best performances.

Quite a few second-class badges This coveted award, a handand attendance prizes were bronze Lions emblem and engrav- awarded.

Under the leadership of Miss ed plate, is awarded on the basis of the number and quality of ac-Mary Taylor and her assistants, tivities and projects undertaken the young girls did some very fine

Building Here Soon

Vacated last week-end after being used as a storage room by the Courtney Furniture store for several years, the building next to the Enterprise office on Main

months.

Miss Mary Charles Godwin will roe back in 1929, later going to

Miss Frances Jarman will be terms. In 1933 he went to Dur-Miss Della Jane Mobley will be Miss Elizabeth Parker will

Miss Lorene Rogerson will be Miss Pittman's. Miss Lucille Rogerson will be mended, he comes here from Student Conference in Prague,

Miss Chas. H. Jenkins Co. Miss Angela McLawhorn will be Miss Manning Service Station. the Board of the Draper Methe Miss Williamston Hardware. the district committee of Boy Miss Mildred Thomas will be

Scouts. He is married and has Miss Roanoke Chevrolet Co. Miss Esther P. Wynne will be years of age. Miss Peele's Jewelers. Members of the local commit-Miss Frances Thomas will be

Miss Margolis Bros. Other contestants will be an nounced later.

TYPHOID

Principal Sam Bundy resigned The winner of the local contest will be entertained at Carolina when he was unable to locate his family here. "We are impressed Beach for five days prior to the "Miss North Carolina" pageant to recommendations, and we call be held in Wilson, it was announcupon the people of the town to ed. The winner of the contest in

Wilson will represent the State at (Continued on page six) Atlantic City in September.

gram.

son.

4-H Clubs To Hold

District Two cases of typhoid fever were recently reported in this county, according to informasixteen counties will hold a onetion coming from the health day program in the Negro high department this week. Both school here on Thursday of next victims are colored boys, one week, it was announced yesterten and one eight years of day by the home agent. age. One lives in the Hassell section and the other near Everetts. It was pointed out that one of the victims had never been immunized, that

the other had not taken the anti-typhoid vaccine in three years. The cases, diagnosed by Drs. Vernoa and W. E. Ward, are among the first reported in this county in some

time. **Immunization** clinics are still being held every Wednesday afternoon in Robersonville, and on Saturday mornings in Williamston.

Jimmy Wallace Plans Tour Clayton where he taught several **Of European Countries** ham where he taught in the high Next August school, later heading the science

department there. In 1943 he was Jimmy Wallace, son of Mr. and an instructor of physics in Duke Mrs. Clarence Wallace of James-University and then went to ville, was recently chosen to rep-Leaksville as principal of the resent the University of North schools there. Highly recom-Carolina at the International

Meeting

Four-H club members from

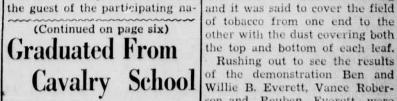
Leaksville. During his stay in Czechoslovakia, during the month Leaksville, he was chairman of of August, according to a story appearing in a current issue of Miss Mary Alice Roberson will odist Church, vice president of the "Tar Heel," University studthe Rotary Club and a member of ent publication.

Wallace, one of twelve applitwo sons, one 13 and the other 9 by a special committee which Mrs. J. M. Highsmith, near here tions for nearly three hours, the

ee are making every effort to story pointed out. find the new principal a home or The Tar Heel account reads, in an apartment, remembering that part, as follows:

"Walface will leave for New American delegation sails for with Mr. Stewart's record and Prague to participate with repre- the eighteen acres in approxi-

gram and elect delegation offic-"After the conference he will tour some European countries as



The day's events will get under Fort Riley, Kans .- Maj. Leslie W. Bailey, of Big Stone Gap, Va., way at 9:00 o'clock that morning. and a picnic lunch will be served was graduated here today from stration had been completed and the advanced intelligence course when the pilot swung back to at 12:30. Officials from the State Extension Service, Raleigh, and at the Intelligence School of The make his last run over the tobacleaders from A. and T. College, Cavalry School. Greensboro, will attend the meet-

ing and participate in the pro-Counties scheduled to send representatives to the meeting include: Beaufort, Bertie, Chowan, Edgecombe, Franklin, Gates, Hali-

fax, Hertford, Martin, Nash, D-Day landing in Africa. Northampton, Pasquotank, Per-He is the husband of Mrs. Lesquimans, Pitt, Warren and Wil-

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(Robersonville Herald)

A crop dusting demonstration cants for the honor, was selected by plane was held at the farm of studied the applicants' qualifica- Monday afternoon, with a fairly large number of farmers in attendance to study this new

method of dusting their crops as a preventative against insects.

The plane, owned by George York a few days before the Hatch of Tarboro and piloted by Tory Vaughn, effectively dusted sentatives of ten other college mately 10 minutes, and observers representatives and fifteen repre- at the demonstration stated that sentatives of student organiza- it was a success despite weather tions who will formulate a pro- that was unfavorable for the occasion.

Crylite, a product consisting principally of arsenate of lead and lime, was used for dusting and it was said to cover the field of tobacco from one end to the other with the dust covering both the top and bottom of each leaf. Rushing out to see the results

son and Reuben Everett were practically deloused. They were of the opinion that the demon-

co field, the foursome was caught Major Bailey, who served with directly in line with the plane the 34th Infantry Division in Eu- which was traveling just above rope and in Italy and North Afri- the tobacco. Too old to fall down ca, wears the Combat Infantry- Willie B. Everett stuck his head man's Badge and his European in the ground leaving his mid sec-Theater Ribbon carries four bat- tion exposed to the plane. Reuben tle stars and one arrowhead for a and Ben fell to the ground and crawled like moles out of line with the plane. Hardly over four lie W. Bailey, of Williamston, N. feet in heighth Vance Roberson just sat down.