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Makes Address At Postal Revenue Gradually Memorial Service Declining In Local Office In Robersonville

Program Wednesday Pays a Tribute To County'sWar H- Dead

Highlighted by an address by Rev. James M. Perry, a memorial ville High School Wednesday morning when fitting tributes were paid to the memory of Martin County's World War II dead The program, hurriedly prepared out of necessity, was sponsored by the various veterans' organizations in the county, and Mr. Sher-

wood L. Roberson presided. Rev. Sidney Boone, Methodist minister of Robersonville, read briefly from the Scripture and offered the invocation. Welcoming those in attendance upon the service, Commander George Mc-Rorie of the Murray Cargile Post of the American Legion, said,

"I welcome you here to this memorial service in the name of the Murray Cargile Post of the American Legion. I honor you, soldier and citizen patriots of Martin County who fought to save our soil from invasion, and today I pay tribute to the fallen fellow-soldiers who died on foreign fields and home shores that we at home might live in peace." Mr. McRorie read an appropriate prayer in concluding his address of welcome.

The all-girl High School Glee Club under the direction of Mrs. Wilkerson, and a ladies' quartet composed of Mrs. Mayo Little, Mrs. J. M. Perry, Mrs. Irving Pupils Interview Smith and Mrs. Vance Roberson, accompanied by Mrs. C. A. Robersun, sang two selections.

Representatives of various organizations were recognized by Chairman Roberson after Rev. J. R. Everett read the honor roll.

The text of Rev. Mr. Perry's address follows:

In 480 B. C. King Leonidas and his 300 brave Spartans met the and hurled back the teeming superintendent of Martin County o'clock last Thursday morning for border until betweend by one of

his own countrymen. They died cently, Misses Carolyn Taylor and journey. Scheduled to reach Robto a man and 700 Thespians chose Dorothy Dixon, Robersonville to die with them. When Xerxes High School seniors, propounded to the home of his sister, Mrs. arms Leonidas replied: "Come and and brought out some interesting in state until it is removed to the Take Them" A monument was facts about the schools in this church for the funeral. The pascounty. line form: At the battle of Marathon, colored schools in the county? 2 High Schools. On June 15, 1215 the barons of England met the forces of King number of students in the county? juorney by Chief Machinist's Mate Answer: The census of white Paul C. Tolson. nymede on the banks of the River children ages 6-21, 4256; for ne-This charter of Human Liberty in- 2,753 in the Elementary schools was born in Everetts in 1907, and spired the determination of free and 677 in the high schools. There spent his early youth there. Comwere 3.468 in the Negro Elemen. need be, die in derense of Free- tary schools, and 344 in the Negro in the Robersonville schools, he high schools.

Stamp sales, once pushing the ter of 1946. Most of the decrease local post office toward a first was centered in the latter part of cless rating, are gradually declin- the 1947 third quarter, the sales for last month falling \$700 below ing, late reports released by Post-

master W. E. Dunn stating that year. September, 1946, sales were the September revenue was the less than those recorded for the smallest for any month so far this previous July, but the decrease including officers and enlistees, upon the mercy of the world, fifservice was held in the Roberson- year. On the other hand, 'the was limited to about \$200 com-

money order business really pared with the \$700 drop this boomed, the activities in that de- year. partment showing a gain of near The money order business for \$7,000 over those recorded in Sep- the first three months of last year tember of last year.

and for the comparable period this Stamp sales at the local post of- year was about the same, but in fice last quarter amounted to \$7,- the second quarter of this year it 608.05. While that represents the topped that of a year ago by over transfer of quite a few of the little \$12,000, and went on last quarter

Funeral Friday In

Robersonville For

Louis T. Holliday

three-cent stickers, the amount is to show a gain of over \$15,000 \$485.15 below the \$8,076.20 in- over that of July, August and come reported in the third quar- September, 1946.

COMPLETED

Costing approximately \$8, 060, according to preliminary estimates, the street improvement project launched here last Friday was completed today and the contractors started moving their equipment to **Carteret** County.

New sand-asphalt paving was done on parts of School Drive, Halifax and Park Streets and the drive to the grammar school, and resurfacing was done on Grace, Smithwick, Hassell, Elm, Washington, Ray and Warren Streets and Marshall Avenue.

Head Of County's Schools Recently home last month, the young man's

Questions Bring Answers Knot along with the bodies of **To Current Operation of Thirty-one Schools**

Interviewing J. C. Manning, on a government motorcar at 6:00

List Of County's Fifteen Husbands War Dead Read At Wanted In County Memorial Service

Men Known To Have Sacrificed Lives

Fifty-eight Martin County-men, are known to have made the su- teen husbands and fathers are preme sacrifice in World War II. now facing non-support or aban-Several hundred persons, includ- donment charges in the courts of

ing pupils, filed into the Rober- this county. And the list includes sonville High School auditorium Wednesday morning to pay trib- the county and State. The deute to the memory of those men fendants, made subject to a roundin a memorial service sponsored up by the serious proportions by the various veterans' organiza- bandonment has reached in recent tions and individuals. Last-min- months, are scattered from New

ute changes in the program were York to Florida, and so far the found necessary, and failure of technical equipment kept a por- known, according to a report tion off the scheduled radio coming out of the clerk of

broadcast. Only a few of the next of kin Those who find it convenient to of the 58 heroes could attend the desert their families without goservice, and the general attend- ing to distant points are being ance was comparatively small, but dragged into the county courts at the program was very impressive the rate of about two each week. and came, at a time when the In most cases road sentences are bodies of the fallen heroes are be- imposed and about as quickly sus-Way Hero's Body First To ing returned for interment in pended on certain conditions. The

Be Returned From The home soil.

Rev. J. R. Everett, Roberson- not fully complied with, and the **Pacific For Burial** ville Baptist minister, read the disturbing business continues to Funeral services will be conlist of those who paid in full meas- drag on and on, worsening as it ducted Friday afternoon of this ure that others might enjoy free- drags. dom and peace. After reading the The business of leaving little week at 3:00 o'clock in the Robersonville Christian Church for minister said. Machinist's Mate 1/c Louis Thom-

"We thank God for the lives when a warrant was sent out for as Holliday. U. S. Navy, who made the supreme sacrifice in the Pamade the supreme sacrifice for World War II vet is charged with cific Theater in World War II. His their country and for the cause of not supporting his two children. body is the first of a Martin Counliberty and freedom in the world. The law got on his trail last April ty man to be returned from over-We honor and cherish their mem- when a warrant for his arrest was seas to native soil for burial as a ory. May the Lord help us who sent of Tampa, Florida. Officers

part of the huge price American have been spared, to be faithful there stated that the man was youth paid in World War II. to the noble principles and ideals away on a golf tour at the time, Prepared for the long journey for which these men gave their that action could be expected uplives." The list of the county's war

body arrived in San Francisco the 10th of October on the Honda more than 3,000 other fallen hebest records available, fifty-eight sults were obtained until after it roes. The body was transferred Martin County men, natives or was learned just a short time ago

to Charlotte where it was placed citizens by adoption, lost their that the young man had obtained scherche on served in program and the last lap of a long but noble dress toilen by post offices: Murray Cargile, Parmele.

day afternoon, it will be removed quite a few appropriate questions Heber E. Baker, where it will lie tor. Rev. James M. Perry, assist-The interview follows in out- ed by Rev. Sidney Boone, Methodist minister, and Rev. J. R. Ev-Carolyn: How many white and erett, Baptist pastor, will officiate. Military graveside rites will Answer: There are nine white be conducted in the Robersonschools. 9 Elementary and 6 High ville Cemetery by members of the Schools. There are twenty-two Murray R. Cargile Post 381, of colored schools-22 Elementary, the American Legion of Robersonville. The body is being ac-Dorothy: Give the approximate companied on the last of the long The son of Mrs. Beulah White gro children, 4668. In member- Holliday of Camp Butner Hospital, ship, white children, there were and the late W. H. Holliday, he is elementary education enlisted in the Navy on January



Leaving forty-two dependents

only those defendants who left

whereabouts of guite a few are un-

court's office a few days ago. about completed to finance purchases of flue-cured tobacco for the export trade to the tune of twenty-five million dollars.

Anticipating the reopening of the markets next Monday, farmers in this county who have tobac-1 co still on hand have gone ahead with their grading work.

requirements in so many cases are Closing for the emergency last pounds for a price slightly below

the general average, but observers declared that the sale contained list of the county's war dead, the children at the mercy of others ferior quality tobacco. At the some damaged leaf and much inwas climaxed a short time ago close of sales Tuesday for the holiday, the local market had sold and service of these men who Junius Rappold. The young 11,096,510 pounds during the seas- but for the farmer himself the

son for an average right at \$42.00 per hundred pounds. A review of the activities on the they can never hope to overcome markets in the entire belt fol- such emergencies when they lows

olina flue-cured tobacco markets ed today for the two day period preceding on his return. Correspondence the mraketing holiday were markwas exchanged by the sheriff's of-

ed by lower prices for the ma- North Carolina Farm Bureau and the hill." dead is not official, and is subject fice in this county and Tampa jority of grades. The United the American Farm Bureau movto correction, but according to the authorities, but no tangible re- States and North Carolina Depart- ed quickly to pave the way for rements of Agriculture report aver- sumption of British buying. Carl ed guilty of an assault with a ages ranging from \$1.00 to \$5.00 T. Hicks, Walstonburg, North Car- deadly weapon and appealed to per hundred under the week end- olina Farm Bureau Tobacco Comlives in World War II. Their one of those speedy Florida di- ing October 24. The losses were mittee Chairman, went to Washnames and their old home ad-vorces, married again and was more severe for leaf and smoking, ngesa immediately to meet with away on his honeymoon. Officers leaf which make up the greater United States and British govern-

anticipated his honeymoon course part of the export grades. These men officials in an effort to pro-John Goldie Leggett, Williams- and directed a warrant to New- offerings were down in most cases tect the interests of the many farport News, Va., officers. In due \$3.00 and \$4.00 per hundred. Low mers who still had huge amounts Dennis Robert Coltrain, Wil- time, the young man crossed the to fine grades were hit hardest of tobacco unsold.

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ESTABLISHED 1899

Has Fifteen Cases In County's Court Defendant Adjudged Not Guilty In Case Growing **Out of Big Accident**

Handling only fifteen cases, Judge J. C. Smith and Solicitor Paul D. Roberson completed their work in the Martin County Recorder's Court and adjourned the tribunal at 12:30 last Monday afternoon. A \$50 bond was forfeited in an assault case and fines were imposed in the sum of \$200. not to mention several road terms

meted out by the jurist. threshing work, and no ac-Charlie Lee Haddock, driver of tivity has been reported on the lumber truck that side-swiped the market here. Company George Mobley's car and then representatives are being held plowed into W. H. Harrison's new off the market until the crop Dodge on the Williamston-Hamilis in good shape for the ton Highway at Chimney Corner the middle of last week, was adjudged not guilty by the court in Farm Organization the case charging him with reckess driving. The State called **Moves To Relieve** several witnesses, but it could not prove that the defendant was speeding, and Judge Smith upon **Tobacco Problems** motion of defense counsel-dismiss-

ed the action when all evidence

Judgement was declared abso-

lute on the \$50 cash bond posted

ahd been offered.

had been offered.

Tuesday, the market sold 132.888 Drive For Member Support **Is Making Progress In** Martin County

threshers.

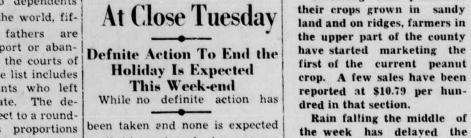
by the Atlantic Bonding Com-"Britain's ban on American topany for Oliver Purvis who was bacco imports "rocked every elecharged with an assault with a ment of the flue-cured industry, deadly weapon.

Charlie Rhodes was sentenced to the roads for sixty days for ascrisis proved beyond doubt that saulting a female. unless farmers are fully organized

The case charging William R Osteen with reckless driving was nol prossed or dismissed when it arise," C. L. Daniel, Martin Coun-Sales on the Eastern North Car- ty Farm Bureau president, declar- was explained to the court that the defendant had been returned to Williams Field, Arizona, to an-"As soon as the ban was answer to the Army for "going over nounced," he pointed out, "the

> Maintaining his innocence. James Horton Hunter was adjudgthe higher court when he was sentenced to the roads for six months. Anneal bond was fixed in the sum of \$200.

Pleading guilty of being drunk and disorderly and trespassing, George Barber (colored) was fined \$25 and taxed with the cost in the first count, and drew a 30on condition that the defendant stay away from the house occupied by Pearl Smith for one year. L. H. Leggett, pleading guilty of speeding, was fined \$25 and taxed



until this week-end, plans are going forward for the reopening of the tobacco markets on Monday, November 3, according to reliable reports reaching here. It was said that arrangements had been just

demanded they surrender their erected with this inscription: "Stranger, tell the Lacedemonians that we lie here in obedience to their orders."

slaves were turned into brave soldiers when promised their liberty, and Greece and Europe were saved largely by their valor in defense of Freedom.

John and defeated them at Run-Thames, and forced the King to sign the famous "Magna Charta." men everywhere to live, and, if dom.

The American Revolution and its Constitution, the world's greatest political document, drawn up in 1789, stirred the people of Europe profoundly. Its wise declarations and bold assertions of selfgovernment influenced the French the school property? Revolution and resulted in the New French Constitution of 1791 with its like Declaration of Human Freedoms, of men, Concience and of Speech and the Press.

This nation of ours not only cherishes and defends her liberties at home, but lends generous aid to the weak peoples of the

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MEETINGS

Little business other than routine matters will claim the attention of the county and town boards of commissioners pey! Monday. The soundy. group, meeting that morning at 10:00 o'clock, is slated to draw a jury for the December term of the superior court.

"There's no special business slated for the town board at its regular meeting that evening at 8:00 o'clock, but there's no telling what will present itself," Mayor Robt. Cowan said yesterday.

Carolyn: How many school bus- 23, 1925, his service taking him to es in the county? many parts of the world including Answer: There are 44 school two years spent in China. After buses operating in the county-39 his long service he was eligible

white and 5 negro buses. Dorothy: What is the value of 1941, but war was rapidly eating its way around the world and he Answer: The value of the white chose to remain at his post of

school property is \$624,000.00-the duty.

(Continued from page one) Say Missing Man Has Been Seen he was transferred to Corregidor toric defense of that far away out-

The mystery surrounding the post. Taken prisoner on May 6, disappearance of Andrew Rober- 1942, he was held by the Japs in son, 40-year-old colored farmer, from his home in Cross Roads

Township more than two weeks ago remains unsolved.

Goes On Trial In Kinston Roberson was reported seen For Killing Martin Man this week in the Poplar Point section, but the reports could not be Frank Black, Kinston Negro carified. A man was seen eating went on trial in the Lenoir Coun-

peanuts in a field there early in ty Superior Court this week for the week, and the next morning a the murder of William Lester man was seen near a hog pen on Corey, native of this bounty, who the old Wildcat Road. Officers, was bludgeoned to Jeath with a

where he participated in the his-

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placing little credence in the re- piece of iron pipe allegedly in the ports, say the man's disappearance hands of Black near Kinston on continues as a baffling puzzle. It October 4.

is thought bye some that the man | Corey, leaving this county eight is dead, that possibly he met with or ten years ago, was driving a foul play around a liquor still in taxi in Kinston when he was robthe woods not far from his home. bed and murdered.

iamston.

Austin Jamesville.

Oak City. William Thomas Sullivan, Wil-

liamston. Clark Godwin, Wil-Donald iamston.

Roland Moore, Williamston. Louis Thomas Holliday, Roberonville.

Thomas J. Meeks, Roberson- Fisher was indicted by the Sep- held to the minimum of \$1.37 by all-out efforts of the Farm Buville.

Wilmer T. Glover, Oak City. Lemuel Daniel Roebuck, Jr., trial in the superior court. Oak City

John G. Stalls, Williamston. Alston Wesley Gurganus, Jamesville. exactly known.

Rufus N. Mobley, Williamston. (The body of Technical Sgt. Mobley was the first to be returned

home for burial.) William Ross, Robersonville. Leamon Edward Shaw, Rober

sonville Leo R. Wilson, Williamston. for retirement on January 23, William Edward Ballard, Williamston.

> Bernice Rogerson, Robersonville.

Asa J. Taylor, Robersonville. When the Japs attacked Pearl Charles Wilson, Williamston. Harbor on that Day of Infamy Cecil B. Bond, Williamston. back in December, 1941, the young Edward S. Brown, Jamesville. navy man was in the Philippines. Verna Land, Williamston. His ship, the U. S. S. Finch, sunk, Daniel Davis Holliday, Jamesville.

Dennis H. Whichard, Williams-

Levie Horace Davis, Jamesville.

Colan Gray Perry, Williamston. Oniley Shepard Cowan, Jr., Williamston. Arthur T. Brown, Williamston.

Joseph G. Stocks, Robersonnile.

James Willis Ward, Williams

Lloyd M. Hassell, Jamesville. Benjamin F. Holland, Williamston

Onward L. Gardner, Jamesville. Early Briley, Robersonville. James W. Watts, Jr., Williams-

Clifton B. Moore, Jamesville. Floyd Congleton, Parmale.

ton.

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charted path, and he was taken with common quality holding "R. Flake Shaw, Executive Randolph Jackson, into custody in the Virginia city steady to \$1.50 lower. Cutters and Vice-President of the NCFB, con- day sentence on the second count. about 1:00 o'clock last Tuesday better lugs were off \$1.00 and ferred with Washington and State The road sentence was suspended William Freeman Haislip, II, morning. Rappold declared he \$2.00 with the low side lugs un- officials by phone and kept in would fight extradition, and Soli- changed. touch with the American Farm citor Paul D. Roberson was noti-

Sales volume was fairly heavy Bureau headquarters constantly. fied to prepare requisition papers. Monday but lightened consider- In short, the entire machinery of Until a hearing can be held, Rap- ably on Tuesday. Gross sales for the State and National Farm Bupold was released under bond in the two days amounted to 15,- reau was geared to action to help with the cost.

\$44.59 per hundred. The decline tastrophe." wife and two children, Edward in average from last week was President Daniel said that the

tember grand jury and returned the larger proportion of better reau to restore British tobacco to the county a few days ago for quality tobacco sold. Season gross buying through the Commodity sales were brought to 407,151,950 Credit Corporation or a similar Booker T. Hardison is charged pounds averaging \$43.19. It is es- agency emphasize the seriousness with abandoning his child back in (Continued from Page Six)

1940. His whereabouts are not

Johnnie Teel, his present ad- No inquest Held In ganized strength among Tarim dress unknown, is wanted for the INO inquest Held In non-support of his wife and child. Young Man's Death Thought to be in Brooklyn,

Floyd Scott is wanted for allegedly abandoning his wife and three children in 1946. William Turner Smith, charged

THE RECORD SPEAKS .

the sum of \$500.

Charged with abandoning his

Motorists on Martin County highways wrecked property The following tabulations

and last and for each year to the present time.

Accidents Inj'd Killed Dam'ge 325 **Comparisons** To Date \$25.699 24,625

Carolina provides the means for Warner A. Bailey's untimely (Continued on page five)

Destroy Several Stills This Week roads for sixty days. The sen-tence was lifted upon the payment

According to reports, the young In raids conducted the early man went to his home late that part of the week, ABC Officer J. fendant for six months. afternoon and told his baby good H. Roebuck and Deputy Roy Peel Pleading guilty of violating the bye in the kitchen. He then went working with Beaufort County of- game laws, Lewis Etheridge was to the living room, sat down in a ficers wrecked several distilleries, taxed with the court costs, and the chair, removed one of the shoes including two large ones just court recommended that his hunt-

rifle to his forehead and fired the county. weapon. The bullet plowed The first of the plants, a rather through his head and tore a hole crude one with a 50-gallon oil in the ceiling. His wife, hearing drum kettle and 150 gallons of the shot, found him lying on the sugar beer, was wrecked in the floor. She ran out of the house Cross Roads section on Monday. and rang the farm bell for help. Last Tuesday the officers raid-The young man's mother was ed along the Martin-Beaufort lin across the road at the time and and wrecked a 400-gallon capacity she hurried into the house, find- still of the submarine type and ing her son unconscious and the poured out 800 gallons of sugar rifle under him. Bailey had been beer. The plant was equipped aried over something for some with an oil burner, a fifty-gallon months and acted a bit strangely capacity doubler, two coolers and seventeen fermenters. The second at times, it was reported.

Funeral services were conduct- plant had a 100-gallon capacity ed in the Bear Grass Presbyterian still and a super heater of 100-gal-Church Wednesday afternoon and lon capacity. The officers poured burial was in the Bailey family out 1,000 gallons of sugar mash cemetery in Bear Grass Town- and 114 gallons of raw liquor and wrecked seventeen fermenters. ship.

398,010 pounds and averaged flue-cured growers to avert a ca- Pleading guilty in the case charging him with failing to stop

and identify himself after an accident, Charlie Whitaker was taxed with the trial costs after it was pointed out that the defendant had made satisfactory settlement of damages done to Zeb Rollings' car. of the situation. The suddenness

Neal Davis was sentenced to the of the British action makes more clear than ever the need for or- roads for four months for operatat all times, he said, adding that driver's license. The road term the current campaign for 100,000 was suspended upon the payment Farm Bureau members in North of a \$25 fine and the costs, and the defendant is to be issued no driver's license for one year.

Charged with operating a motor vehicle without a driver's license, Willie James Purvis pleaded guilty and was sentenced to the of a \$25 fine and the trial costs. No license is to be issued the de-

and placed the end of a bullet across the line in the neighboring er's license be revoked for one

vear. Adjudged guilty over his plea (Continued on page eight)

SELECT CLO

In a recent election workers in the Standard Fertilizer Company plant here selected the CIO as their bargaining agency. According to an unofficial report 29 workers favored the CIO and one voted to have the AF of L to represent the group.

No official mention has been made of the election and details of a contract, if any, have not been disclosed.

and battered human limb during the 43rd week of the current year, but managed to travel through the period without taking a human life. Property damage gained almost \$1,000 during the week and the number of wrecks went 11 beyond the comparative figure for 1946.

offer a comparison of the accident trend: first, by corresponding weeks in this year

ford Week

1947 4 3 0 \$ 2,000 1946 3 2 0 1947 114 56 3 1049 103 80

death late last Monday night was due to a self-inflicted bullet with non-support, is believed to wound, Coroner S. R. Biggs announced following an investigation made the following day. The

(Continued on page seven) coroner said no inquest was necessary.