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Two New Ministers Move Whit E. Saunders Propose \$100,000 Bond Issue Seventeen Divorce Judge J. C. Smith Has Twenty Cases **Offered Chief of Residence Herd This Week Cases On Calendar** Police Job Here For Water Plant Improvements In Superior Court In County's Court Accepting calls to local churches, lanta and more recently from Rev. James I. Lowry, Presbyter- | Montgomery, Alabama, was grad-Appointee Reported To Offer Service To uated a few days ago by the Union Nearly All the Actions Are Several Defendants Sen- ian, and Rev. Stewart B. Simms, Three-room House Baptist, and families are taking serving the local church for sev-Seminary, Richmond. He has been CANDIDATE **Based On Two-Year** tenced to Roads; Others Have Resigned from Paup residence here this week, and eral weeks while completing his Separation Are Fined \$365 trol Wednesday **Customers** Outside For Ambroses Is will enter upon their new duties work in the seminary. He is a Following C. B. Martin's Judge J. Calvin Smith and Seventeen divorce cases have Whitney E. Saunders, popular as resident ministers Sunday graduate of Davidson College, and Solicitor Paul D. Roberson morning. Their entry into the lo- was married to Miss Anne Lyle member of the State Highway Pa- The Town's Limits announcement, stating that **Nearly Completed** been placed on the calendar for he would not be a candidate handled twenty cases in the Martrol for a number of years, was oftrial in the Martin County Supercal religious field recognized as Poe of Rock Hill. to succeed himself as a memtin County Recorder's Court last a great asset to the spiritual life Rev. Simms, a native of Ral- fered by a unanimous vote of the ior Court week after next. ber of the State House of Monday. Several defendants were of the community and section, the eigh, is a graduate of Wake For- town board of commissioners the **Plan Construction of Large** Volunteer Workers Delay-All but two of the actions are **Representatives** from Martin sentenced to prison and the roads, **Elevated Storage Tank** two ministers will be welcomed est College and Southwestern position of chief of Williamston's ed Several Days By the based on two-year separation County, Mr. A. Corey, Jamesand others were fined a total of For Water System at a union church service to be Seminary, Fort Worth. He has police at a meeting of the town's grounds. In one case the plaintiff **Bad** Weather ville man, said this morning \$365. Several cases were continu-held in the Baptist church the served the Ridglea Baptist Church governing body last Tuesday alleges bigamy, and in the other that he was considering ened and prayer for judgment was 14th of this month, according to in Fort Worth for several years. night. The appointment was Meeting in regular session last Delayed several days by bad the plaintiff alleges adultery in continued in two or three others. If the of this month, according to in Fort worth for several years made following the receipt of Tuesday night, the local town tering the race. addition to two-year separation. 'I will make an official weather. Contractor James Tom Proceedings: Chief W. T. Simpson's resignation board of commissioners proposed ministeria! association. Raleigh. statement shortly," Mr. Corey Stephenson and nine other volun-His case coming up for further which becomes effective the 20th a \$100,000 bond issue for financing Rev. and Mrs. Lowrey, moving The Presbyterians have been nvolve war marriages. Two of judgment, Willie Lilley, charged here from Rocky Hill, South Car- without a regular pastor since said. teer workers are making splendid of this month. three of the actions a water works improvement prowith non-support, was ordered to progress on the contsruction of pending in the courts for a year or olina, today will be at home in Rev. Gower Crosswell resigned to The new appointee today had gram, and called for bids on the continue the payment of \$3 a not formally accepted the position, Issue Twenty-two the manse on Watts Street, and enter the armed forces as chapa three-room house for the destimore, the plaintiffs apparently construction of a 300,000 gallon week for the benefit of Elsie but it was learned that he had tute family of Ammie Ambrose, having been unable to finance the Rev. and Mrs. Simmons and 15- lain during the war, and the Bapelevated water storage tank. A Bland Lilley and reappear for tendered his resignation to offic-**Marriage** Permits aged grandmother, on the old Evmonth-old son, moving tomorrow tists have had no regular minisproceedings until now bond ordinance was proposed on a further judgment the first Moners of the highway patrol, and it from Forth Worth, Texas, will ter since Dr. Ira D. S. Knight re-The marriage of Bonnie I motion made by Commissioner eretts road near Williamston. day in next January. is expected that he will accept and John Hatton Gurganus seconded All the main timbers for the Bland and Aleace Moore Bland be at home in the parsonage on signed to pastor the Virginia In Martin County Pleading guilty of an assault Beach Baptist Church several enter upon his new duties on or structure were standing by noon was a short affair, the complaint Church Street. by Commissioner K. D. Worrell, with a deadly weapon, Hillard Rev. Lowrey, a native of At- months ago. about April 1. the motion receiving unanimous vesterday and a goodly portion of showing that the two separated on Knight was fined \$25 and taxed Quite a few applications, writthe weather boarding was placed December 9, 1942 after their marsupport, but the actual vote is be-Dan Cupid Seems To Be with the cost, the court also orderen and verbal, for the position ing delayed. before the end of the day, but the riage the previous day. In the ing him to pay \$25 medical bill for Christian General **About Holding His Own RED CROSS** builders explained that possibly complaint the plaintiff alleges were received, several of them Rated as an emergency, the pro-Billie White. In This County it would take them until late to- that during the summer of 1944 having been submitted with the gram does not necessarily call for Annie Purvis, 17-year-old moth-er and who has been deserted by Demands Kai-shek morrow or Saturday to complete the defendant committed adultery understanding that they be witha bond election, but the matter Twenty-two marriage licenses the job. Very few of the volun- in Martin County. Answering the Early reports state that the drawn if Mr. Saunders applied. will be placed before the public in her parents, was sentenced to the women's department of State's To Quit His Post the Red Cross Fund Drive is Among the applications with- detail before further action is takwere issued in this county last teer workers are finished carpen- complaint from Fayetteville, the off to a promising start in drawn were those of Chas. R. defendant denies the allegations. month, six to white and sixteen to ters, but with a little encourageen, it was explained. The town's Prison for stabbing Joe Brown. this chapter, N. C. Green and Mobley, former chief, and J. D. In her case against John Henry bonded debt will be reviewed and colored couples. In February of ment from Contractor Stephenson The charge was aired in the court J. Paul Simpson of the spec-Harrison. Other applications rethe effect such an issue will have last year twenty-two licenses were and with willing minds they are Barfield, May Belle Barfield says **Former Chief Aide Says the** on February 23. The girl, expectial gifts committee stating ceived included those submitted on the advalorem tax rate will be issued, six to white and sixteen to doing a very good job. January. Generalissimo Is ing another child, could not arcontributions are holding up by L. H. Nelson of Rocky Mount, discussed. 1942, that they separated in Janu Following the lead of the concolored couples, proving that Dan range to finance a fine at the time Doomed well, and that all indications Convinced that the town's wat- Cupid is holding his own in the tractor, Henry Armstrong, Sam- ary, 1944, and the one child born John Roebuck and Paul Ballard. and tempering justice with mercy, point to a successful camer system is operating on a shoe all-important work in the county, uel Norfleet, Robert Wiggins, Jas. Several others verbally asked that to the union is living with her. The following is an open letter Judge Smith allowed her to go paign. string literally speaking, officials The issuance, while no larger than F. Finch, Rev. G. T. Hill, Wiley their applications be considered. In the case of Beautie Andrey home and return later for final from Gen. Feng Yu-hsiang to Chi-No direct reports have been discussed the condition with the the one for the corresponding W. Lanier, Willie Reid, Frank against Mattie Lee Andrews, the One or two of the applicants exjudgment. Before that day was ang Kai-shek. Feng, who won received from other districts, plained that they were not neces- Local Government Commission in month in 1947, is slightly above Slade and Rev. John Chance replaintiff says they over she assaulted Brown with a fame as the "Christian General", but all plans have been comsarily interested in the position of Raleigh and the issue was advised. the average for the particular ported for work yesterday, givon January 1, 1940, and separatpop bottle. Facing the second as- was vice-generalissimo to Chiang pleted for handling the drive, chief of police but were candied in June, 1944, that no childrer While no vote on the bond issue period. ing a good account of themselves. sault charge in court this week during the war and has broken Chapter Drive Chairman C. dates for places on the force, if were born to the union. is necessary, the board will place The aged grandmother, who Licenses were issued to the folshe was sentenced to prison for with Chiang over the continuation B. Clark, Jr., said this morn-Plaintiff Mary Brown and when there are vacancies. with the help of other members the matter before the public for lowing: four more months, the second sen- of the civil war and the failure of ing. of the family had saved \$300 to her case against Felton Gray Mr. Saunders, born and reared consideration. If valid opposition White tence to begin at the expiration of Chiang to form a coalition govon a Hertford County farm, came is offered, the commissioners will repair their home and who had it points out that they were Jack D. Johnson and Nancy the first. ernment including the Communto Williamston as a member of the provide for an election. Working Taylor Martin, both of Robersonin December, 1938, **Bookmobile Ends** stolen from her by Neal Coburn Delivering the prisoner to the ists and smaller democratic par-State Highway Patrol nine years for the best interests of the town ville. last November, was very happy prison, Deputies Joe Roebuck and ties, as well as liberal elements of ago, and during his stay here he and anxious for the people to dren were born to the and possibly even more excited William Ellic Cherry of Wil-**Tour This Week** Roy Peel were advised that no the Kuomintang. He was expellhas gained the respect of the pub- know all the facts, the commis- liamston and Violet Marie Sulli-Margaret Wilson is suing Bil vesterday when she saw the new one is admitted there under 18 ed from the Kuomintang several Wilson for a divorce, saying that lic as a citizen and law enforce- sioners appointed a committee to van of Washington, D. C. house taking form. Having reachyears of age. She was returned weeks ago for attacking Chiang The Bookmobile is completing ment officer. And he likes it here, prepare and submit figures cover- Gary Bupting of Robersonville, they were married in October ed the very bottom of the eco nete and ordered released until who had sent him to the U.S.A. too, the young man-explaining a ing every angle of the town's and Margaret Beacham of Wil-

next Monday.

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Pleading not guilty of drunken Feng's open letter to Chiang came driving; namely, a mule and cart, unsolicited to a New York news-Tyner was adjudged guilty paper a few days ago. It was of

to study water power projects. ty tomorrow.

its current schedule in this coun-

Gone are those days when and the action was continued un- fered for the light it might shed manac were the best read books in the rural districts. Today county-owned bookmobiles provide people living on farms and in small communities with the same popular titles which are States, I urged you in a letter to found in city libraries. Outstanding new titles on the bookmobile this month will include:

short time ago when he was order- taxe rate. liamston.

the mail order catalog and the al- that he preferred to remain here. for bids on a new water storage Warren, both of Washington.

1937, and were severated in Janua nomic ladder, the aged woman

ed transferred to Washington To save time the town is calling Jack Woolard and Ernestine just about the last straw, but that to the union. Married in 1937, Augustus Closhe continued to pray right on

said that she had worked down to

lights, the grandmother said it

der prayer for judgment until on the top-level political troubles next Monday. facing Chiang.

Charged with assaulting a fe- "In September, 1946, before male, Sir Walter Raleigh Thomas leaving Shanghai for the United was adjudged not guilty.

Judgment was suspended upon stop the civil war and form a dethe payment of the cost after mocratic coalition government for John Smallwoor' entered a plea of the sake of the Chinese people. nolo contendre in the case charg- Your only reply was to continue ing him with assaulting a female. the civil war and your own dicta-

Leamon Bennett pleaded not torship. In May, 1947, because you guilty when charged with at- were arresting and killing studtempted holdup on the highway. ents and professors, suspending He was adjudged guilty and the independent newspapers, and decase was continued under prayer priving the people of all civil libfor judgment. Bennett is also erties, I issued a statement in San facing a charge of assaulting an Francisco. In it I denounced your officer with a deadly weapon. dictatorial behavior and again

Charged with disorderly con- called for peace and democracy in duct and assaulting an officer, China. George Owens was sentenced to "In August, 1947, I received a the roads for six months.

Samuel Morris was adjudged your secret service men in the not guilty of reckless and careless United States, warning me sharpdriving.

J. D. Gurganus was adjudged I threw it into the waste basket guilty of drinking liquor on the and since then have been speakhighway and failing to give a pro- ing more bluntly and loudly per hand signal. He was fined \$40 against your policies. Your perand taxed with the costs.

Pleading guilty of operating a your personal decision to expel motor vehicle without a driver's me from your Kuomintang were license, Geo. H. Wynne was fined no surprise. . . . \$25 and required to pay the costs. "A Revolutionary Committee of

David Schoer ger, charged with the Kuomintang was set up in speeding on U. S. 17 between Wil- Hongkong on Jan. 1, 1948, under liamston and Washington at 65 the chairmanship of the veteran Electrician Tests miles an hour, was fined \$25 and Kuomintang leader, Gen. Li Chitaxed with the costs.

of speeding, was sentenced to the Revolutionary Committee and roads for sixty days. It is one of pledge to fight for the overthrow the few cases where a speedster of your reactionary regime and has been sentenced in this county the realization of peace and demoto serve time on the roads.

Charged with non-support and "On Jan. 14, 1948, I declared failing to send his children to that my relationship with your school, Albert Hardison pleaded government had been totally sevguilty and was sentenced to the ered. From now on I am fightroads for eighteen months. The ing against you to the end. -road term was suspended upon "Perhaps a reminder of the past

the payment of the cost and on will stir your conscience. In 1927 condition that he pay \$10 a week you resigned because your staff for the support of his three chil- commanders would not listen to

Charged with the possession of followers, like Ho Ying-chin, illegal liquor for the purpose of turned against you. But I urged sale, Sam Moore, colored, was fin- you to come back and supported ed \$100 and taxed with the costs. you for the post of commander-

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The Essays of Shakespeare edited by George Coffin Taylor of Chapel Hill.

Biography of the Apostle Paul by Edgar J. Goodspeed.

Hollywood Merry-go-round by Andrew Hecht. Transfer Point by Kathryn Forbes.

Confessions of an uncommon Attorney by Reginald Hine.

A Masque of Mercy by Robert Frost. threatening letter from one of Mary Roberts Rinehart's Mys tery Book.

Woodrow Wilson. A biography ly that if I spoke against you for young people by Alden Hatch. Charged with drunken driving, again my life would be in danger. Hope of Earth by Margaret Lee Runbeck. Beyond the Blue Mountains by Jean Plaidy.

> Once there was a Waltz by Paul sonal order to recall me as well as Murray. Europe without Baedeker by

Edmund Wilson. The usual schedule will be fol-

lowed.

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Fire Siren Today shen. I am honored to have been Wilbur James, pleading guilty elected to the Central Board of the

Burned out when it froze several weeks ago, the town's fire alarm system is being tested today by electricians. Since the cracy in China. motor was repaired almost a

month ago, the sound volume holds to about half of what it should be. A short time ago there was a night alarm and only four

firemen heard the siren. The "electricians" were " shill checking the system at noon today, one report stating that in stead of turning 3,600 revolution

manute, the motor was turn ing up hardly half that number. Several tests were made thi morning, the alarm attractiing quite a few before they learned there was no fire.

Following the turn of events, local tank, realizing that delivery canthe opening here.

Chief Simpson is leaving the lat- that the order can be cancelled if his service in the armed forces meet with general public approvwhere he will be eligible for re-| al.

tirement in about seven years. He No further official action on the is to report to the Marine Corps. program is scheduled before the As a parting testimonial for the retiring chief, the following letter received by Mayor Robt. Cowen

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fore peak consumption develops, the commissioners at their meet-Might Close Two **Freight Stations**

The discontinuance of freight the present, that connections will stations by the Atlantic Coast be limited to those cases already Line Railroad Company at Has- on the main lines. In other cases, sell and Everetts is being con- the applicants for the service will sidered before the Utilities Com- be responsible for the cost of the mission in Raleigh today.

The company maintains that connection charge. "We don't revenue is not sufficient to maintain the stations.

THE RECORD SPEAKS . . .

Mishaps on the highways of this county during the first nine weeks of this year gave those of the corresponding period in 1947 a close race, showing actual gains in two columns but trailing slightly in two others. There have been more accidents this year than last and the property loss is just a little greater than it was a year ago. More consideration, however, is being shown life and limb this year than last.

The following tabulations offer a comparison of the accident trend: first, by corresponding weeks in this year and last and for each year to the present time.

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is	1947	1	1	0		000	
g	C	ompa	ison	s To	Date		
J	1948	27	12	1.	\$ 1	5,150	1
	1947	25	19	3		5,050	

James F. Trieble of Johnstown, officials insisted that he consider not be expected within 400 days N. Y., and Doris Rachel Edwards ers have been answered," she from the receipt of the order, and of Williamston.

Joseph W. Dunlow and Martha cheeks expressing her happiness. ter part of this month to continue the proposed program does not V. Hoggard, both of Windsor.

> Worsley, both of Palmyra. Earl Rogers of RFD 2, Williamston, and Ada Lewis, RFD 1, Wash- tain that the cash fund will be Assured that the public water ington.

Jesse Johnston of Williamston and Josephine Griffin of Everetts. Herbert Davis and Marion Sta- | furnishings. ton, both of Jamesville.

ing this week voted to offer water Joseph H. Bonds and Christine service to customers outside the Gurganus, both of Williamston. Larry Dickens of Robersonville considered it hardly advisable to town limits. However, it was ruled that the town will lay no more and Arline Purvis of Williamston. Willie B. Carr and Sallie Ann bills would be more than the water mains outside the town for

Green, both of Oak City. Perry Bryant of Oak City and tric Company has promised to in-Martha Andrews of Hobgood. Richard Peel, RFD 1, Williams- and maybe there'll be enough left ton, and Ada Gerolene Godard, in the cash fund to pay the light pipe in addition to the regular RFD 3, Washington.

Roosevelt Wiggins and Novelle think it hardly fair for the town Cross, both of Williamston. Alexander Wilson and Mattie job can't be handled until the taxpayers to finance the cost of laying water mains outside of Swain, both of Windsor. town, that it is only fair for out-Jesse Glenn Moore and Louise side users to accept such costs,' Andrews, both of Robersonville. one of the commissioners com Ernest Edward Little of Robersonville and Bertha Jackson, RFD total to \$633.68. Donations remented. It was suggested that water rates to customers outside 2, Robersonville.

the town be increased to permit those customers to share in the both of RFD 4, Windsor. added costs for maintaining the John Lee and Pattie Louise system. For instance, the town Smithwick, both of Williamston. orem taxes for the water system Beulah Mae Keel, both of Rober- mele, \$7.22; Williamston Colored

> Need Wheel Chairs For the County Home

dividuals, but a surprisingly large Commenting on condition of the number answered the appeal cirthirteen patients in the county culated less than three weeks ago home, Keeper John Bland said in behalf of the aged grandmother yesterday that most of them are and her seven grandchildren

J. Hayes, \$36.84.

Deputy Collector E. R. Frone- getting along very well, but that whose ages range from three to 15 perger will be in his office in the two needed wheel chairs. The years. The main contributions Martin County courthouse on two patients are unable to walk are being made by those workers starch 11, 12, 13 and 15 to assist but could sh up and roll alound who are volunteering uses serv taxpayers prepare their state in- in wheel chairs, Mr. Bland said. ices gratis.

Several persons have offered come tax returns and list their Unable to get new chairs imintan, the personal properties, it mediately, the keeper said the clothing and food for the family

was announced The deputy collector explained renting or buying one or two the group. The delivery of adthat single persons making \$1,000 wheel chairs. Anyone who has a ditional items of that type should or more and married persons chair of that type and not using it be delayed until next week and earning \$2,000 or more in 1947 is asked to contact Mr. Bland at then made direct to the home on must file returns for the state. the county home. the old Everetts Road.

"My pray man is suing Sarah Cloman for a divorce, stating that they were said, the tears trickling down her separated in 1945 and that no children were born to the union.

Clyde Odell Cowey is suing A complete inventory of the June Esterline Cowey for divorce, family's earthly possession can Jack Skinner, Jr., and Christine hardly be made until the fallen stating that they were married on January 12, 1944, and were separtimbers in the dilapidated shack ated August 29, 1945. One child can be torn away. It is fairly cerwas born to the union.

In his suit against Vinie Bryant more than sufficient to pay for Williams, Daniel Webster Wilthe building materials, leaving liams says they were married in some for the purchase of a few 1939 and separated in 1943, that no children were born to the un-Asked if she wanted electric

ion and that the defendant is now living in Virginia.

ary, 1938. No children were born

would be mighty fine, but she Roy Harrel is suing Irma Allen Harrell for a divorce after being install them because the monthly married for almost twenty-two years. They were married on family could pay. Ayers Elec-July 10, 1922, and separated April 15, 1944, the plaintiff saying that I stall the lights without charge, all children born to the union are grown, working for them-

selves and self-supporting. bill a year or more in advance. Suing W. Kater Lilley for a di-Rev. G. T. Hill has volunteered vorce, Betty Mobley Lilley says to help paint the house, but that they were married on May 30, 1934, and separated in November timbers dry a bit.

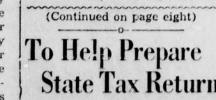
1946, that the two children born Before word got around that no to the union are 11 and 13 years additional cash was needed, late old, and are living with her. contributions care in, swelling the Ester Marie Pitt, in her case against Jesse James Pitt, says they ceived since the last report inwere married on November 21, Isaiah Wilson and Annie Morris, | clude the following:

1943, and were separated in Nov-G. U. O. of O. F., Williamston ember, 1945, that no children Bloom Lodge, No. 2574, submitted were born to the union. by Rev. G. T. Hill, \$20; coin jar Janice Saunders Robrahn, su-William Thomas Bland, Jr., and in Mobley's Service Station, Paring J. Charles Robrahn for a divorce, says they were married in School, submitted by Professor E.

Sante Fe, New Mexico, on August 30, 1944, and were separated on No exceedingly large contribu-September 8, 1945, that no chiltions have been received from indren were born to the union, that the defendant is now a resident of Denver, Colorado.

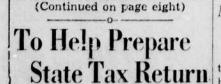
> In her case against Roscoe I Perrin, Jr., the plaintiff, Alice Ferrell Perrin says they were married on August 23, 1946, in Johnston County, that they sep anatod on March 28, 1947 whi she learned that the defendan was married to Jaqualine Perrin She is asking that the marriage b declared mull and void. The n fendant once fived in West Vit ginia but is now believed to be m siding in El Centro, California. Robert Gorham Moore' is si

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itself and they are being called on sonville.

State Tax Return



taxpayers are now paying adval-

egular meeting in April.

supply here will be increased

within the next sixty days or be-