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OVER 3,000 MARTIN COUNTY

Writes Letter Of Thanks For Gifts Of Used Clothing

German Mother And Three Children Still Wait Return of Family Head

preciation from Mrs. Louise Herrmann of Berlin, expressing appreciation for gifts of clothing. One of the articles carried Mrs. Griffin's name in a pocket. The clothes were collected throughout North Carolina some months ago, but the letter was delayed for several weeks. In addition to the German woman's letter, Mrs. Griffin received a note from the woman's 11-year-old son who said that he had had one-half year study in English., Frankly, the letter is difficult to understand but it is evident that it advances a spirit of appreciation.

The son, Frank Herrmann, writes, as follows: "Love, Mrs. Griffin,

"We have on the 12 March of the America gift, the mantle (cloak) anxious in the time that of three salutation. I am Frank Herrmann. I am 11 years old and learn a 1-2 year English. The 1 letter write I to you. Write me also a letter. Anxious I also wait . .

Mrs. Herrmann's letter, expressing appreciation and explaining that her husband was still a prisoner of war, follows from Donaustrasse 80, Berlin, Neukolln, American Sectory, Germany: "Dear Friends in America:

"Today, March 12, 1948, we re ceived through the American Aid Foundation, the beautiful coat which you sent, and in it we found your name. My children shouted be altered some because she is a the friendship offered us.

eat. The things most lacking are an inch. warm clothes and shoes. There is ones to suffer most. We planned rain faling on sixteen of the 31 a good future for them but now days. we stand before nothing, that is, we have nothing to look forward to, for everything has been de-

stroyed by the wretched war. "We were blessed with three children, a boy, now 11 years old, peanuts. and two girls, 9 and 8 years old. But none of us are losing courage Training Program For and we hope and trust in God that our dear father will come back to us sound and well and that sometime the sun will again School for the Deaf is preparing ing, the education group to study shine for us. We are hoping for a home training program for budget estimates and the commisan early settlement, and we want little deaf tots. Any one having sioners to handle routine business. to work, for we are young and or knowing of a deaf child under build up a new life for us. We five years of age is asked to con- meet at 10:00 o'clock, and the comknow America will help us and tact the welfare office in the missioners are convening their

we shall always appreciate it. "It would please me very much to hear from you again and thus make it possible for us to have direct connections with America. We are proud and happy and the children dream of the beautiful country in which their new friends live.

"Most grateful for your friendship and devotedly yours . . .

College Group To Visit County

Sixty-five graduates in agrenomy and three of their professors | Bear Grass from State College plan to visit Williamsten No. 1 the farm of Claude E. Smith near | Williamston No. II Robersonville on Friday of next Cross koads week. Traveling in special buss- Robersonville

ed to reach the farm that after- Poplar Point noon between 5 and 6 o'clock. The | Hassell group includes Garland Smith, son of Mr. and Mrs. Smith who Goose Nest will entertain the visitors with a barbecue supper that evening.

Martin Farmers Turn To Issue Twenty-Four Judge J. C. Smith Hybrid Corn In Big Way Marriage Licenses Hears Eight Cases

hybrid corn on a large scale, ac-Mrs. W. O Griffin of Williams- don. For several years a few far- three-fourths or three thousand ton recently received a note of ap- mers planted the comparatively acres are being planted to corn.

county is of the hybrid type. Makficient to plant about nine acres, best seed.

Martin County farmers, after and on that basis it is estimated careful observation over a period that 13,90 acres were planted in of several years, are switching to hybrid corn. For several years this county has been planting approximately 28,000 acres to corn, cording to Farm Agent Tom Bran- but this year it is estimated that

new variety, but the farmers in Reviewing the progress made in this county, as a whole, moved switching from the ordinary seed slowly in making the change from to the hybrid variety, the farm the old common variety to . the agent is of the opinion that four times as much hybrid corn is be-It is now estimated that nearly ing planted in this county this one-half of the corn crop in this year than was planted a year ago.

Although the hybrid seed sells ing a survey of seed sales recent- for about \$10.50 per bushel, very ly, Agent Brandon found that 1,- little of the seed is being produc-544 1-2 bushels of hybrid seed had ed in this county, farmers stating been sold to farmers in this coun- that much time and considerable ty. One bushel of the seed is suf- work are required to produce the

REGISTRATION

Except those whose citizenship has been restored since the books were closed on May 15 no one is entitled to register for the second primary election to be held on June 26, according to an unofficial interpretation of the law.

Several persons who went to vote in this county and learned their names were not on the registration books will have to wait until just before the general election in November to register and qualify for a ballot.

Crops Damaged By Rains In County

Showers, reaching cloudburst for joy that a dear "aunt" in Am- proportions in some areas, dam- lows erica thought of them. I am very aged crops in this county during happy that my girl has something recent days. Generally, the damwarm to put on. The coat has to age is not extensive, but in some Champion, Williamston 4-H Club, communities tobacco has flopped \$25; Billy Bailey, Reserve Chamlittle too small for it. We thank and in some instances portions of pion, Everetts, 4-H Club, \$20; you from the bottom of our hearts the crop in several fields were John C. Gurganus, Third Place, for the gift and are happy over washed away. Farmers, living Hamilton 4-H Club, \$10; Lynette near Williamston on the Washing- Haislip, Fourth Place, Oak City "We, too, do not want war, for ton Highway, said they saw the 4-H Club, \$10; Johnnie Price, only we will have to suffer from hardest rain in their lives fall last Fifth Place, Williamtson 4-H it. God surely does not want to Monday. Ditches were filled to Club, \$8; Mayhue Bailey, Sixth The Sunday morning service in punish us again. We are still overflowing, the water turning to Place, Bear Grass 4-H Club, \$8; the Memorial Baptist Church here Funeral Tuesday suffering because our dear father the open fields and washing away William Purvis, Seventh Place, will be broadcast over the Tarstill a war prisoner and has 12-foot streaks of knee-high tobeen away from us since 1940. bacco. In one field the water ganus, Eighth Place, \$5. Distress (need) and misery are washed over a wire fence. Other still great here and it is a prob- sections have reported similar lem for me to know how I can downpours, but for the most part, ion, Robersonville FFA, \$20; N. C. to church inside Tarboro, is gogive my three children enough to the showers measured less than Hyman, Reserve Champion Oak ing outside to pick up the broad-

terially damaged in the county as a whole, farmers have found the land too wet to plow and the grass gained headway, especially in

Little Deaf Children

Martin County courthouse.

Club Members Get \$300 Prize Money At Beef-Hog Show

Over \$200 Paid To Prize **Hog Exhibitors And** \$100 To Others

Approximately \$300 money was paid recently to winning exhibitors at the 1948 Martin of Oak City. County Fat Stock Show. Sponsored by the various civic organizations and the county Farm Bureau, the show was long on hogs, over \$200 going to the club members for making the hog show one of the best in the State this year. Approximately \$100 was paid to Seaboard and Williamston. the exhibitors of winning steers.

Prize List of Steers Mary Jane Rogers, Grand of Williamston. Hassell 4-H Club, \$8; Peggy

City 4-H, \$15; Virginia Price, Sec- casts for the first time. Hugh Spruill, keeper of the of- ond Light Weight, Williamston not even enough material with ficial rain gauge on Roanoke Riv- 4-H, \$8; N. C. Hyman, Second originated here in past years, but which to mend things. It hurts my er here said 5.03 inches of rain fell Heavy Weight, Oak City 4-H, \$8; this is the first time that a resoul that the children are the there during the month of May, Jack Woolard, Third Place Light ligious service will be put on the Weight, Williamston 4-H, \$6; air here. Mary Alice Warren, Third Place While crops have not been ma- Heavy Weight, Robersonville 4-H,

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County Boards Will Meet Here Monday

The members of the board of education and county board of commissioners will hold regular The North Carolina State meetings here next Monday morn-

The education board is slated to session at 9:30 o'clock.

Except for a fair distribution of votes among the three leading candidates for

governor, Martin County voters gave lopsided majorities to most of the candi-

In Martin County

Issuance Is Well Above The Average For The Month of May

Twenty-four marriage licenses were issued by the office of Register of Deeds J. Sam Getsinger in this county last month, the issuance being well above the average reported for the month of May While the issuance established no new record, it was as large as any reported for the particular

Licenses were issued, eleven to white and thirteen to colored couples, last month as follows: White

Macon V. DeBerry of Rocky Mount and Beula Mae Johnson of

Melvin Augustus Glisson and Williamston.

Colerain and Anna Bolton Cowen year of Williamston.

Allen Tanner of Williamsburg, Va., and Mary Blizabeth Harrell of Hilton Village, Va.

William L. Taylor, RFD 3, Williamston, and Mary Louise Pate, RFD 1, Williamston. Charles E. Hines, Jr., of Wil-

Jim Henry Scott and Maddie

Scott, both of Hassell. " Samuel D. Manning, RFD 2, Ro-

Robersonville. Samuel A. Tuten, Jr., of Washington and Garnette L. Crocker of ant's driver's license be revoked.

Arthur F. Harrison and Norma Prizes were awarded to the Pearl Harrison, both of Williamsyouthful boys and girls as fol- ton.

Jack Hilton Liles, RFD 1. Bailey, and Dorothy May Wynne

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Will Broadcast

boro radio station, it was announce ed by the pastor, Rev. Stewart B. Prize List On Hogs-Individuals | Simms. The station, heretofore Ralph Mobley, Grand Champ- limiting its religious broadcasts

Quite a few broadcasts have

GRAND OPENING

The finishing touches are being made to Williamston's \$100,000 theater - the Viccar -for the grand opening this evening at 7:00 o'clock.

Displayed in full splendor by the removal of the safety barrier this week, the theater front has attracted favorable and wide comment. And the interior is even more impressive with its modernistic finish and "out-o'-this-world" equipment.

MARTIN COUNTY VOTE FOR STATE OFFICERS

Docket Last Monday Smallest Before Tribunal In A Long Time

Judge Calvin Smith called eight cases in the Marim County Recorder's Court iast Monday and held the tribunal in session until about 11:30 o'clock before clearing the docket. Just a mediumsize crowd attended the session. A jury trial was held and when a verdict of guilty was returned, the defendant appealed to the higher court. The docket this week was the smallest the court

had handled in several months. Proceedings:

Called before the court in a non-support case, David Rix Harrell was ordered to continue the payment of \$50 a month for the Rhodie Pearl Harrison, both of support of his two children, the court continuing the action until John Leonard Parker, Jr., of the last Monday in May of next

Adjudged guilty in the case charging him with drunken driving, J. Leon Wynne appealed to the superior court, and bond was required in the sum of \$150.

Pleading guilty of violating the fishing laws, William E. Briley was fined \$10 and taxed with the liamston, and Helen Lois Manning costs. It was revealed at the hearing that the defendant had been fishing without a license.

Charged with careless, reckless driving and speeding, M. P. Benbersonville, and Mary Stalls of nett was fined \$110 and required to pay the costs. The court did not recommend that the defend-George Erwin Brown pleaded guilty of speeding and was fined fines amounting to \$130. It was \$10 and taxed with the costs.

> when charged with non-support. He was adjudged guilty and the centered around disorderly con- quite a few vehicle operators is

of the costs until July 5, 1948. guilty of speeding, was fined \$25 The owner, James Ridley, charged basis, that if they did not help and required to pay the costs.

Pleading guilty of assaulting a and taxed with the costs

For Mrs. Chesson

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday afternoon at 4:00 o'clock at her late home in Oak City for Mrs. Effie Worsley Chesson who died there Monday morning after a long illness. Elder Will E. Grimes, Primitive Baptist minister of Pactolus, conducted the service and interment was in the Oak City Cemetery.

ness there for a number of years. office. Her condition had been serious pected. In early womanhood she be their next governor, and he ed in the sum of \$1,623.79, leav- five percent or 450 had bad pos-

Surviving are two sons, Richard cast a large vote on June 26. W. Chesson of Norfolk, and L. T. Oscar Barker, fourth man in Chesson, Jr., of Dunedin, Florida; the last Saturday primary, an- ing the month, that 31 were tried one brother, N. W. Worsley of Oak nounced for Chas. M. Johnson. and that fines and costs amount- bad oral hygiene. Ninety-seven City; two sisters, Mrs. M. L. John- At the same time, Albright's man- ed to \$544.75. Trials are pending had diseased tonsils, and 78 had son of Oak City and Mrs. J. H. ager joined the Scott forces for in twelve cases, and one charge tonsils which could be classed as Wiggins of Pinetops; two grand- the second round in the race for was nol prossed. sons, and one granddaughter.

date for secretary of state, led the ticket, but J. Melville Broughton, the success-

ful candidate for United States Senator, followed him closely. The following is

Auditor

Sec. State

Budget Calls For An In County's Court Income of \$132,710

REGISTRATION

Very little interest is being shown in the registration for the special town bond election to be held on Tuesday, June 15, Registrar John E. Pope stating yesterday that only three new names had been added to the books.

It is pointed out that one whose name is already on the municipal registration books will not find it necessary to register again to participate in the bond vote. Those whose names are not on the books, including those who have become of age since the last election, will have to register to vote in the special bond election. The books close Friday of this week.

Justice Johnson **Called Fourteen** Cases This Week

Imposes Fines In the Sum Of \$130 at One Session Last Monday

One of the local inferior courts took on the appearance of a higher tribunal this week when Justice R. T. Johnson called up fourteen defendants, meted out sev eral road sentences and imposed one of the largest sessions a minor Melvin Higgs pleaded not guilty court had held here in some time.

The main business of the court

case was continued under prayer duct charges brought against eight for judgment upon the payment defendants loitering around Ridley's pool room. Each was fined Mallie Grover Barnes, pleading \$10 and taxed with the court costs. with allowing a public nuisance to relieve the condition they could exist in his place of business, was be removed without cost to the health examiners found Church Service | Pleading guilty of assaulting a exist in his place of business, was female, Vance Price was fined \$25 fined \$50 and taxed with the cost. He was sentenced to the roads for Advised by health officials that thirty days, but the court suspend- a near menace is existing to the ed the road term upon the pay- public health, the commissioners ined 335 were found undernourment of the fine and costs. The favored a movement calling for ished. It was found that 390 or ight defendants, James Stokes William A. Davis, George Williams, John Graham, Jr., Willie (Shorty) Gorham, William Gor-

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Albright Taking **Neutral Position**

R. Mayne Albright, holding a Mrs. Chesson, 62, was born in third but commanding position North Biggs Street from Main to Oak City, the daughter of the late in the race for governor, made a Church was received. Nathan and Sarah Long Worsley. statement this week, declaring She lived there all her life and his neutrality in the second Treasurer Sharpe said that \$59,- 174 enrolled in the first and third engaged in the mercantile busi- primary race for the high state 787.37 of the 1947 levy of \$61,- grades in the colored schools, 364

for weeks and the end was ex- the people to decide who would ing assessments had been collect- ent were undernourished. Fiftywas married to L. T. Chesson. | went on to urge the people

Test Sentiment For And Against Parking Meters

Town To Push Sewer Line Connection and Sale of Vehicle Tags

According to preliminary estimates offered by Treasurer Dan in session last Tuesday evening, it will require \$132,710 to finance the town's operation during the 1948-49 fiscal year. The estimates, arrived at following a study with the heads of the various departments, are only tentative and are

the current fiscal year on June 30. the estimates are slightly in excess of those made for the current year, that considerable sums will be required to finance a new deep well, the purchase of a motorgrader and other equipment. Antici-\$100 assessed property valuation, dren the treasurer explaining that approximately \$64,804.86 is being anticipated in general, property taxes. He stated that the assessed valuation gained \$303,000, boost-

Discussing the perplexing parking problem, the commissioners various business operators. It was explained that all-day parking by common, that repeated appeals for limited parking had failed. It was also pointed out that the meters could be installed on a tria

available.

had not purchased city tags, the cinated against smallpox. Ten commissioners turned the matter had obvious eye defects. Dental over to the police, calling for im- defects numbered 253, and 416 or mediate sale.

The need for enlarging Wood- Sixty had diseased tonsils, needlawn Cemetery was discussed and ing immediate attention, and 165 action is anticipated within the had tonsils which could be classnext few months.

A petition for paving a block on pedic trouble.

He declared that it was up to unpaid balance of \$2,199.50. Pav- two percent or 343 of the 810 presto ing no balance due.

that 44 persons were arrested dur- one out of four or 188 had dental

Youth Hurt When Car Turned Over

Junior Moore, 17, was painfully but not badly hurt when his old model car turned over with him on U.S. Highway about two miles dicted, the number of people parsouth of here early Tuesday even- ticipating in the primary election ing. He was driving toward Wil- in this county last Saturday fell liamston when a tire blew out, below expectations. Few expectcausing hin, to lose control. The ed less than 3,500 votes would be mahcine turned over, wrecking it cast, but the final count showed beyond repair and cutting him on only 3,149 against 2,989 cast in the the head and leg. He also was primary of two years ago. skinned and bruised on other parts of his body. Moore was to have reported to the army at Fort | 1946 vote second: 1 Bragg yesterday. One estimate 0 placed the damage to the car at liams, 102 and 89; Griffins, 254 and

Distressing Facts **Bared In County** By School Clinics

Hundreds Undernourished And Physical Defects Are Numerous

Pre-school clinics and health examinations recently made by the health department in certain tressing facts, according to a re-Health Officer John Williams Hundreds of children, white and colored are undernourished Physical defects are fairly numerous. Sharpe to the town commissioners Absences ran into high figures in

some of the schools. In the pre-school clinics, the department examined 210 children in the white schools. More than half or 120 were undernourished. and twenty-six had diseased tonsils. The department vaccinated based on figures that can't be ful-192 against smallpox. ly determined until the end of

ored schools revealed that of the undernourished, that sixteen had eased tonsils. Ninety-six were vaccinated against smallpox.

As a whole, health among the colorea children of pre-school age pated revenue is based on a \$2 per is better than among white chil-Most of the defects can be re-

ing the total property worth to will not give their children a schools absent. Of the 598 examconnections where sewer lines are 65 percent had postural defects or bad postural habits. Eighteen or Learning that the owners of ap- three percent had the itch or improximately sixty motor vehicles petigo. Nine had never been vac-

ed as suspicious. Nine had ortho-In the colored schools, the examiners found the attendance fig-Reporting collections to date, ures pretty well shot. Of the 1,-986.87 been collected, leaving an or 31 percent were absent. Forty-

69 percent had bad oral hygiene.

ture. Twenty-one had the itch. The police department reported Eleven are cross-eyed. Just about defects, and 707 or 87 percent had suspicious. Nearly 200 of the 810 had never been vaccinated against

Medium Vote Is Cast In County

While no large vote was pre-

The vote by precincts follows with the 1948 count first and the

Jamesville, 309 and 236; Wil-241; Bear Grass, 249 and 227; Wilnt, liamston No. 1, 371 and 344; Wil-

0 \$500 damage to his brother Asa's Roads, 157 and 218; Roberson-0 1947 Ford about 4:00 o'clock last ville, 486 and 456; Gold Point, 126 0 Saturday morning when he ran it and 88; Poplar Point, 93 and 144; into a parked bus on West Main Hassell, 93 and 80; Hamilton, 160 and 137; Goose Nest, 228 and 194

dates on the State tickets in the first primary last Saturday. Thad Eure, candithe official vote cast in this county for the state officers: U S Sen. U S Sen. For Governor Lt. Govnr Short trm Regir trm

Cm of lbr R. Cm Ag PRECINCTS Griffins 299 52 43 217 231 72 67 13 52 37 13 15 37 29 Hamilton 15 72 47 57 112 27