

## Farmers Spraying Tobacco Fields To Check Plant Lice

### Limited Quantity of Poison Available In Local Stores At Present

Attacking the tobacco crop in this county in vast numbers, aphids or plant lice are being subjected to a strong counter-attack by numbers of farmers. While a few farmers have contracted with airplane operators to poison their crops, most of them are using hand sprayers with fairly good results, according to reports reaching here.

The lice infestation is fairly general, but the infestation is somewhat spotted in the fields, and those farmers who have adequately poisoned the lice state they have seen no further signs of infestation.

Poisoning by airplane at the present time is being limited to crops in the upper part of the county, and all contracts have not been carried out there, it was learned.

Reports reaching here yesterday stated that special spray machines had been moved into Pitt County from Georgia, that they were being used with much success.

The supply of poison for the control of the lice, vapotone (tetraethyl pyrophosphate) is limited here at the present time. A shipment was flown into this state from California the latter part of last week, and apparently the supply is not sufficient to meet the demand. Local dealers stated yesterday that they sold out the first shipment they received, and one firm sent a special messenger to Raleigh yesterday for about sixteen gallons. Orders were accumulating fast yesterday and the supply is not expected to last very long.

Described as a very deadly poison, vapotone is diluted at the rate of about one part to 800 parts of water. The more potent type, vapotone XX, is mixed at the rate of one part to 1,600 parts of water.

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## Parole Hearing For Frank Green

A public hearing on the application filed with the state commissioner of paroles, Hathaway Cross, by Frank Green for a parole is being scheduled in Raleigh. It could not be learned just when the hearing would be held, one report stating that it would be held on a Tuesday.

Frank Green, while in a drunken condition and on a wild ride, ran down and instantly killed Garland Bailey, and critically injured four other persons at the intersection of the Washington and Bear Grass roads the early part of last year.

In June of last year he was convicted of manslaughter and was sentenced to the roads for not less than five and not more than eight years. In April of this year that sentence was reduced to not less than three and not more than five years. And now it is proposed to turn him out.

Members of the wreck victims' families have been notified the hearing will be held in Raleigh. Some of them explained they could not afford to lose a day's work, and that they really aren't able to finance the trip.

Despite determined opposition, relatives of the wreck victims received meager amounts of money from the insurance company, but just about all that is gone and now some of the families are on relief.

### ROUND-UP

Officers rounded up and jailed eight persons in the county last week-end, the list including two for drunk driving, three for assaults and one each for assault, investigation, public drunkenness and robbery.

One in the group was white, and the ages of the eight ranged from 21 to 52 years.

## CITIZENS OF TOMORROW



The Enterprise takes much pleasure in presenting another in a picture series of this section's "citizens of tomorrow." So far none has figured prominently in public affairs, but as future citizens they have a tremendous assignment to handle in a muddled world. Certain they'll do a better job than has been done or is being done, The Enterprise presents the youngsters as the one great hope for the future.

Top row, left to right, Griff, six, Janet, eleven, White, four, sons and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Ross, Williamston; Joseph, eight, Hannah, six, Della Peebles, four, son and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Godard, Williamston; Robert Earl, nine, Nancy, six, Sylvia, three, son and daughters of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Bland, Williamston; Bottom row, Sue, seven, Margaret, twelve, Patsy, seven, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bunting, Oak City; Edward, twelve, Gerald, seven, Virginia, five, sons and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Cox, Williamston; and Mary Lynn, seven, Vivian, nine, Judy B., five, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. R. Linwood Pate, Williamston.

### BUDGET

Meeting in special session the latter part of this week, the Martin County Commissioners are slated to study the budget figures for the 1948-49 fiscal year. No advance estimate on the rate can be had at this time.

It was not definite if the meeting would be called on Thursday or Friday.

## County Young Man Gets High Honors

Wake Forest.—Zeno H. Rose of Robersonville, a member of the recent graduating law school class at Wake Forest, won a number of honors while attending this institution.

The highest honor won by Rose was first place in the recent statewide will-drafting contest conducted by the American Trust Company. Rose received a prize of \$150 for winning this contest in competition with law school students from the University of North Carolina, Duke University and Wake Forest College.

Rose also had the highest weighted scholastic average in the graduating law school class. His name is to be inscribed on large bronze cup donated by the Phi Alpha Delta law fraternity.

Editors of the United States Law Week awarded a year's subscription to Law Week, prominent legal magazine, to Rose for having the highest scholastic average during his final school year.

For excellence in law school subjects of Taxation, Corporations, Equity, and Evidence, Rose has already received several American Jurisprudence volumes in these particular courses.

During the war Rose served approximately three and a half years in the Army Air Force, 20 months of which were spent in Europe.

Rose plans to take the State Bar Examination at Raleigh in August. He plans to practice law this fall in Martin County.

## High School Band In Concert Sunday

A concert is to be given by the Williamston High School band next Sunday afternoon, it was announced yesterday by Director Jack Butler, as part of the summer band work program.

Details of the concert will be announced later, but it is expected that the concert will be held Sunday afternoon. Director Butler said, adding that the place of the concert would be determined by the weather. In the event of bad weather it will be in the high school auditorium. If the weather permits it will be on the school grounds.

Plans for the concert are tentative and circumstances may not be something unforeseen develops it will be held Sunday afternoon.

## Two Hurt In Car Accident Early Sunday Morning

### Man Home from New York Hospitalized for Bad Cut On Head

Two persons were hurt, one dangerously, in a series of highway accidents reported on Martin County highways Sunday and early Monday. Property damage was estimated at less than \$350 by Patrolman J. T. Rowe who made the investigations.

The first in the series was reported at 12:30 o'clock Sunday morning when W. McKinley Marriner, young colored man home from New York, ran his 1934 Ford station wagon into a ditch while driving south on the Poplar Chapel Road in Jamesville Township. The driver, said to have been thrown partly through the windshield, was cut badly on the side of the head and possibly suffered a skull fracture. He was removed to a Washington hospital in a Biggs ambulance, late reports stating that he is expected to recover.

The driver's father, Augustus Marriner, was hurt in his left side, possibly suffering several cracked or broken ribs. Damage to the car was estimated at hardly more than \$15 by Patrolman Rowe who investigated the accident with Cpl. T. W. Fearing.

Driving north on Highway 17 at 11:30 o'clock Sunday night, Hubert Davis Smith, 19, started to pass Francis Carroll Keel who was also traveling into Williamston and who had just started to make a left turn at Skewarkey church.

Smith's car, a 1937 Ford sedan, had its right side battered badly, Patrolman Rowe estimating the damage at about \$90. The Keel car, a 1947 Oldsmobile owned by Mrs. L. L. Keel, of Oak City, had its left side battered, the patrolman estimating that repairs would cost approximately \$120. Keel was said to have given a signal for a left turn, and Smith was quoted as saying that he just failed to see it in time. No one was hurt.

Joe Walter Williams, 21-year-old colored man, did approximately \$100 damage when he ran a dirt dump truck into a ditch of the old Bear Grass-Williamston dirt road Monday morning. Williams was not hurt but Patrolman Rowe booked him for drunken driving.

A man, whose name could not be learned immediately, was said to have lost his life when he failed to turn the sharp curve in Windsor with his large transport truck loaded with potatoes about daybreak Sunday morning.

## Editors Prepare Special Article

Mr. A. H. Hermann, head of the Public Relations Department, Virginia Electric and Power Company, with headquarters in Richmond, is here making a two-day visit with the personnel of the local office and Vice-President Ray Goodman.

Mr. Hermann is also editor of the Vepevian and has been associated with the company for approximately 40 years. His assistant, Mr. W. T. Coghill, accompanied Mr. Hermann on his official visit here.

The visitors are preparing a special article on this section for publication in the company's journal.

## Small Vote Is Predicted In County and State Saturday

The small vote cast in the gubernatorial contest in the first primary the 29th of last month will appear large when compared with the expected vote in the second primary on Saturday of this week.

Unless something strikes rather early in the county, hardly more than 2,250 votes are likely to be cast in the second gubernatorial round between 6:00 o'clock a. m. and 6:30 o'clock p. m. on Saturday of this week. The contest between Chas. M. Johnson and Kerr Scott for the governorship has been seldom mentioned in this county since the May 29 primary. It is quite noticeable that quite a few of the leaders of the Johnson forces who were fairly active in

## Large Crowds On Hand For Return Of Night Baseball

### All-Stars From Lower End Of County Win, 3 to 0, Saturday Night

Throngs of baseball fans flocked to the Williamston High School park Saturday night to witness the program formally turning on and dedicating the new lights and to watch a thrilling all-star game that climaxed the evening's festivities.

After Eason Lilley, owner of the lights which were removed from the park before the recent war, turned on the new lights at 7:30, Rev. John W. Hardy dedicated the new facilities to the building of goodwill, a sense of fair play and good sportsmanship and the Rev. Stewart B. Simms led the assemblage in singing "America."

Officers and directors of the Martin County Athletic Association, Inc., owners of the new lighting equipment were called by Lynn Taylor and assembled in front of the grandstand for their pictures to be taken. D. V. Clayton, Williamston banker and treasurer of the association, voiced the thanks of the group for the cooperation and liberal support of the communities of the county as communities and as individuals.

To get the ball game under way Raymond H. Goodman, president of the Coastal Plain League, was called to the mound and President Leroy Everett of the Martin County Athletic Association, Inc., was placed behind the plate. After a professional wind-up, President Goodman delivered the ball and President Everett caught it and returned it to the mound.

Bleachers borrowed from State College for use during the season did not arrive in time for use Saturday night and a number of persons were turned away for lack of a place to sit while many who came anyway had to sit on the ground down the first and third base foul lines.

The bleachers came in during the game Saturday night and were erected Saturday night and Sunday morning by the Jaycees and some volunteers and hired help so that a bleacher seating capacity of about nine hundred is now available, 100 of the seats being reserved for any colored fans who would like to see the night games. Total seating capacity of the park, including grandstand is now about 1400.

Thirty-six of the forty players available for the all-star game were used during the contest, nineteen by the upper end of the county and seventeen by the lower end boys who won the game 3 to 0 by scoring two runs in the top of the first and one in the top of the second.

Simon Perry, Jr., member of the regular team of the Williamston Martins, was the first man to go to the plate under lights here since September, 1940. He was walked by Bobby Fleming, young Hassells moundsman, and promptly stole second. He moved to third after Johnny Mack Stalls was safe on an error and Haywood Wynne reached first in a fielder's choice that clipped Stalls at second. Morris Stalls, another Martin drove a long fly to left and

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## Plan To Place Order For Parking Meters

### Extensive Repairs Are Necessary To Town Water Tank

### Board Inspects Five Types Of Parking Meters At Meetings

Examining at least five types in special meetings held last Thursday evening and this morning, Williamston's town commissioners are expected to place an order for parking meters within a short time. The various types of mechanisms and contract terms are being studied, one representative of the board declaring it was a problem to decide on any particular meter.

At the meeting last Thursday evening, the commissioners officially cancelled a tentative contract for the installation of a 300,000-gallon capacity elevated water tank in accordance with the wish expressed by the people in the special bond election the Tuesday before. Very little comment was made, but the mayor advanced the opinion that a dangerous decision had been made. "It is true that the board in ordering the election has cleared itself of any blame, but that is not the thing about it. The best interests of the town, including an adequate water supply and available service for all the people in the town, are to be considered. While we are fairly certain that if the people really knew the facts they would favor the program, we hardly think it our duty to provide another election just now," representatives of the board said.

Advised that the tentative contract was being cancelled and that no other plans are being made to expand the water system, Superintendent R. E. Manning of the water department said that he had hoped plans for installing a new tank would go through. Discussing the present system, the superintendent explained that new tie rods are badly needed in the tank, that the roof should be replaced in several places. It is estimated that repairs to the tank will cost approximately \$2,500.

Following the water system discussion, the commissioners heard salesmen of three parking meter manufacturers. Two of the meter types are manually operated, one manufactured by the Mico Parking Meter Company of Cincinnati and the other by the Miller Meter Company of Chicago. The Mico machine was quoted at \$54 per unit plus a \$4.50 installation. The Miller meter, in use in several surrounding towns, was quoted at \$75 per unit, but for every 100 meters purchased, the company allows a bonus of fifteen, bringing the price nearer into line with the other manually operated machine.

A new type of meter was demonstrated at the Thursday evening meeting. Representatives of the American LaFrance Fire Engine Company displayed and explained something new in the meter field. They have what is called a dual meter, or one that will serve two parking places with the same mechanism. In other words, the meter will serve two parking places at the cost of one \$75 meter and eliminate one-half the "fence posts" on the streets. It is mechanically operated.

The meters demonstrated today are of the mechanical type. At the meeting last week it was pointed out that about the same contract holds for installation and maintenance. The companies agree to install the meters and take a certain percentage of the

## Few Civil Cases Are Compromised

No amounts were listed, but judgments were recorded in the superior court last week, showing that several damage suits had been removed from the civil calendar by agreement.

Cases compromised included those of J. A. Powell against W. T. Cannon and others, and Mrs. Margie Sullivan and J. B. Sullivan against Amos Cox and Vance Harrington. The latter suit was similar to one brought last year against Frank Green and the insurance company to recover damages for Mrs. Garland Bailey whose husband was killed in a truck-car wreck at the intersection of the Washington and Bear Grass roads. It was difficult to

estimate agency in order case. One report said that the plaintiffs received only a nominal settlement, possibly enough to pay their hospital and doctors' bills.

There is no record that Cox was ever tried for any negligence. In this county a determined effort is being made to parole Frank Green, the man who ran down and killed and injured several persons.

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### SURPRISED

"What in the world has happened down in Martin?" State Prison authorities asked when Sheriff C. B. Roebuck and Captain Sessoms backed up to the entrance with a truckload of prisoners late last Thursday afternoon.

"We've had large deliveries from Mecklenburg and some of the other larger counties, but never have we had such a delivery from Martin," the prison official declared after a surprised fashion. The sheriff explained that it was a clean-up climaxed by a regular term of the superior court. Ten prisoners were left supposedly to serve a combined term of about 100 years.

## Miss Clark Earns Honors At ECTC

Ellen Joyce Clark of Everetts, member of next year's senior class at East Carolina Teachers College, has recently received special recognition for her work at the college.

Miss Clark has been appointed as one of three delegates to represent East Carolina at an emergency conference on the teacher shortage in North Carolina held at Meredith College, Raleigh last Thursday.

At commencement exercises on June 7 Miss Clark was announced as the winner of one of the five major awards presented to students at that time. She received the Alexander B. Andrews scholarship, which is given annually to a student with an excellent scholastic record.

In her college work, Miss Clark is specializing in primary education and plans to become a teacher when she has completed her work at East Carolina. During 1947-1948 she served as president of both the Association of Childhood Education and the Future Teachers of America, both active organizations on the campus here.

She has participated also in the work of a number of other campus organizations at the college. During 1947-1948 she was associate business manager of the "Teco Echo," student newspaper; a member of the student legislature, branch of the student government association; and president of the Christian Student Association.

Next year she has been elected to offices in the Association for Childhood Education, the Future Teachers of America, and the Christian Student Association, and will be a member of the student budget committee.

Miss Clark is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Clark of Everetts.

## Congress Quits Sunday Morning For Convention

### Had Time To Legislate For The Privilege, But None For Plain People

The second session of the Eightieth Congress was adjourned in a big middle Sunday morning at 6:14 o'clock and the "hard-working solons" packed up and went to Philadelphia for the big Republican convention spree.

The Congress found it necessary to work more than forty hours straight before the pleas advanced in the name of the plain people were silenced. Senator Howard McGrath, Democratic National Chairman, stating, "The 'privilege' Congress has taken care of its special interest friends, and frankly told the plain people that it has no time left to legislate for them."

The full effect of the hedge-podge laws passed by the Congress is hardly discernible, but agriculture will most certainly feel adverse effects. A compromised farm bill, still offers the parity provision, but it is being scaled downward right at the very time when industrial profits continue upward.

A peace-time draft was passed to keep the peace. It will "select" men from 19 to 25 years for 21 months' service, the first to be called after ninety days.

A brief review of the work handled by the Congress in its 24 weeks, continues:

Foreign Aid—Legislation was passed authorizing the spending of more than \$6,000,000,000 for foreign aid during the 12 months ending April 3, 1949. The total included \$5,300,000,000 for the European Recovery Program, with other sums for China, Greece, Turkey and the United Nations Children's Fund.

Tax Reduction—A bill, enacted over President Truman's veto, cut personal income taxes \$4,800,000,000 a year. It was retroactive to Jan. 1, 1948, and treatment with holding rates went into effect May 1.

Air Force—The Air Force was given funds and contracting authority.

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## Giving Potatoes Free To Farmers

Instead of piling and destroying surplus Irish potatoes as they did last year, government agencies are offering the surplus to farmers free and freight-paid with the understanding that the potatoes will be fed to livestock.

Farmers in this county who are interested in getting Irish potatoes free for livestock feeding are directed to contact the office of the county agent without delay.

The freight is paid on the potatoes and there is no charge whatever for the potatoes. The only obligation the farmer is required to accept is that he'll unload the potatoes regardless of the condition the potatoes are in when they are delivered. No cars are shipped with less than 300 bags, but several farmers can order together where an entire carload is not needed.

Several carloads have already been ordered in this county, but as far as it could be learned no deliveries have been made as yet. Farmers in other counties have already received a few carloads.

Finding the markets glutted, marketing specialists are asking the growers to slow down their digging operations for a few days or until the market is relieved.

### CRIMES

Placing an order just a short time ago, the local Baptist church was advised yesterday that the chimes had been shipped, that possibly they would reach here and be installed for use next Sunday.

The pastor, Rev. S. B. Simms, pointed out that the installation is not certain, but that the company representatives were of the opinion that the chimes would be ready for use by that time.