Plan Survey Of All Beer License And Croplands In County

TO SPEAK HERE

Dr. Robert Lee Humber, in-

ternationally known figure

and leader of the World Fed-

eration movement, will address a public meeting in the

Williamston High School

auditorium next Monday eve-

ning at 8:00 o'clock. His ap-

pearance is being sponsored

by the local parent-teacher

association and the public is

Dr. Humber, who is in Col-

umbus. Ohio, this week, is ex-

pected to review the world

situation and the prospects

for peace. His talk will be a

timely one and a large audi-

ence is expected to hear the

man who has devoted years of

his life to the study and pos-

sible solution of world peace

Court In Recess

Here Until Next

Docket; Judge Leaves

For Washington

Convening Tuesday morning

from the calendar pefore taking a

recess at 4:45 yesterday afternoon

In the case of Wm. C. Lawrence

been filed and the case was dis-

R. S. Critcher in his case against

M. E. Hyman was awarded \$300 by

a jury, the court reducing the

amount to \$200. The case involv-

The case of F. U. Barnes against

H. H. Cowen, involving a note,

A survey was ordered to be

made in the case of H. H. Cowen

against Willie H. and Dennis Mod-

lin, the court specifying that the

survey of certain lands in Wil-

liamston Township be handled in

In his case against Claude

judgment in the sum of \$199.34.

the offices of the company.

was settled by agreement.

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in several others.

the sum of \$250.

olaintiff to get

invited to hear him.

Survey Predicated On Likely Change In Farm Program

Ask Acreages for 1941, '42 And from 1945 Through The Current Year

With a change in the farm program anticipated in due time, an extensive survey of all crop lands is scheduled to get under way in this county within the next few days, Mr. Geo. C. Griffin, chairman of the Agricultural Conservation Association announces. Handling the survey in this county, the community committeemen will contact as far as possible the farmers and plan to complete the task by the middle of May.

Few details have been announced, but it is fairly apparent that more crops will be brought under the quota system next year, one report indicating that cotton and wheat will be subject to acreage control at that time with the possibility that others will be included alter. While very little wheat is grown in this county, the few farmers planting any acreage to the crop will likely have an op- Few Cases Removed From portunity to vote on quotas on or about July 25. A referendum on cotton will likely be called in late November or early December of this year. Farm leaders are fair- following a holiday Easter Moncertain corn and possibly other day, the Martin County Superior field crops will be included in the quota system later.

Records for tobacco and peanuts are already available, but the survey will determine the acreage planted to wheat and cotton in 1945 and from 1945 consent judgments were entered it is found that he knowingly Stephen M. Ewell through 1949. Farmers will also be asked to state acreages planted to corn, grain sorghums, soybeans, Irish potatoes, sweet potatoes, oats, green manure crops, cover crops, temporary pasture, rotation est of the Buggs Island dam propasture, orchards, vineyards and ject. list idle crop land and other noncropland in 1941, 1945, on through 1949. The farmers will also be asked to give acreages of land tiff was awarded a judgment in cleared since 1941.

Farm leaders point out that it is important for farmers to study the important farmers farmers to study the Farm leaders point out that it is and detailed acreage report.

"I am fully aware that this survey comes at a time when our farmers are very musy," Mr. Griffin said, "and I realize that # is a real sacrifice for them to stop work at this season even for a little while. However, the information which farmers are asked to provide is of missed. vital importance to assure them a fair and equitable acreage when wheat and cotton allotments go into effect. Insofar as they are able, community committeemen ed a timber contract. will attempt to inconvenience farmers as little as possible and gather the required information quickly. I sincerely urge farmers to assist the County Committee and themselves by giving replies as accurately as possible to the questions which will be asked them."

Livestock Posincers Meet In Rocky Mount Smith, James Everett was given a

Herman C. Aaberg, director of the Livestock Department of the American Farm Bureau Federa- Owners Visit Local Store tion of Chicago, will address a meeting of eastern North Carolina livestock producers in the Rocky Mount High School auditorium on Saturday of this week at 10:00 son, Henderson Belk, of Charlotte. o'clock a. m.

He will discuss current legislation, regulations and proposed day afternoon. laws governing the livestock ineighties, continues very active and dustry. Martin County producers shows a remarkable interest in are invited to attend the meeting.

Nearing Cancer Fund Drive Goal In Griffins

B. R. Manning, chairman of the cancer fund drive in Griffins Township, said that his district Coast Line Officials was nearing its goal and that the canvassers, Mesdames James Harrington, Urbin Lilley, Mack Roberson, Leslie Griffin and Bruce Peel and Miss Bessie Griffin ter part of the week. "We'll reach and pass our quota," the chairman

State ABC Board

Local Governing Authorities Have Little To Do With the Business

years, beer licensing and sales are now under the control of the State Alcoholic Beverages Control Board with fifteen inspectors added to the public payroll.

creation of a Malt Beverage Division, with at least fifteen field enforcing the law. Cost of the enlarged program of the Board is to be borne by using not more than five percent of the beer taxes collected by the state.

The new law gives the ABC Board sole power to determine the fitness and qualifications of applicants for beer permits. Before issuing a license, the Board is required to investigate the fitness of the applicant and the location, general appearance and type of business operated by the individual. All applications for permits Monday Morning ing with the Board, with all statements made under oath. to sell beer must be filed in writ-

Permits may not be given applicants convicted of a felony or a crime involving moral turpitude, or who were adjudged guilty of violating the prohibition laws within the two years preceding application for a permit. Licenses are to be denied those applicants Court cleared a dozen or so cases, whose licenses to sell alcohol beverages of any kind were revoked within five years preceding the until next Monday morning. Quite date of application. If any applicant receives a beer license, and a few cases were continued and

made a false statement in his ap-Catching up with the calendar, plication, his permit is to be revoked, and upon conviction, he Judge W. H. S. Burgwyn, presiding, made plans immediately to go shall be subject to the penalty provided by law for misdemeanto Washington, D. C., in the inter-

All individuals intending to ap- Funeral Service Will Be ply for a permit to sell beer must notify county and municipal authagainst S. T. Leathers, involving a landlord-tenant dispute, the plainorities, and the public. Any objections to the issuances of such a permit are to be filed with the The case of John N. Hopkins

The Board may suspend voke any beer license if it decides health. He had received treat-In the case of James Daniel the licensee is not a suitable peragainst Jay Griffin (colored) it son to hold the permit, or that the vals since the first World War and was found that the plaintiff had premises he occupies are objecregained possession of a Ford tionable. Licensees against whom the Richmond hospital some underwent a major operation in automobile, that no answer had action is pending, are to be entitled to a hearing before the been critical since that time. months ago. His condition had

Municipal and county authorities are to retain their power to revoke licenses, with revocation of ell, he was born in Hamilton 52 one beer license calling for revocation of all issued to the person was inducted into the service on involved. The act does not re- August 5, 1918, and served overquire any county or municipality to issue licenses for any territory until May 30, 1919, receiving his where the sale of local beer has discharge on September 23, 1919. been prohibited by legislative ac- After the war he entered employtion or by a local-option election.

The new law specifies that no beer is to be sold between the fer about ten years. He was mar-

The beer license year begins May 1. Persons now having beer licenses may have them renewed at that time, but by June 30 all beer licensees must make application for permit under provisions Last Tuesday Afternoon of the new law, otherwise such license held by the retailer shall be

W. Henry Belk, founder of the Belk stores in seven states, his and A. L. Tyler of Rocky Mount **Disloyalty Found** inspected their store here Tues-

In Few Instances | ducted in the Hamilton Methodist | Church Friday afternoon at 3:00 The founder, well up in his A report issued by the Federal Worthington of Robersonville, aswhat's going on. "It's an inspira-Loyalty Review Board in Wash- sisted by Rev. Z. T. Cox of Farmtion to come to Williamston and ington says that sixty-seven gov- ville. Interment will be in the eastern North Carolina," Mr. Belk ernment employes had been dis- Hamilton Cemetery where a detail said while spending a couple of charged for "loyalty reasons" from the Hamilton American Lesince October, 1947. In a report on gion Post will be in charge of the its activities up to February 28, military rites. the board said that more than 2.- The body was brought to the Inspect Office Today 300,000 federal workers had been Biggs Funeral Home here late cleared of any suspicion of disloy- Wednesday night and is being re-F. B. Langley, general superinalty. It added, however, that six- moved to the home in Hamilton tendent of the A. C. L. Railroad ty-seven were dismissed and an- this afternoon where it will lie in Company's northern division of other 107 suspected of disloyalty state until time for the funeral would complete the drive the lat. Savannah, and A. R. Brinkley, still were under investigation by service tomorrow. superintendent of the Norfolk di- the Federal Bureau of Investiga- The body was accompanied vision, were here today inspecting tion and the Civil Service Com- home by Messrs. Tommy Bland

Perfect Permanent Booster Pushing Plans To Sales Under The Organization At Meeting

were formulated.

directors, including C. B. Clark, time.

AIRPORT

(Robersonville Herald)

ministration announced Fri-

hay its national airports plan

which will affect 91 North

Under this plan 48 North

Carolina airports will be con-

structed and 43 existing air-

ports will be improved by

both federal and local funds.

The total estimated cest of the

proposal would be \$20,499,000.

requiring new airports is Rob-

Including in the locations

About two years ago citi-

zens of Robersonville investi-

gated the possibility of having

an airport located in their vi-

cinity and voted to float a

bond issue for the necessary

appropriations. The issue re-

ceived a favorable vote but

the bonds have not been sold.

Died In Virginia

Hospital Tuesday

Conducted Friday

In Hamilton

The only son of the late Stephen

ment in Norfolk and served as a

dicthews, Va., and she sur-

Mr. Ewell was a member of the

Hamilton Methodist Church for

almost forty years. He made many

friends in Virginia and was a

thoughtful friend of his fellow-

man. Ill health forced his virtual

Funeral services will be con-

o'clock by the pastor, Rev. Hilliary

retirement in recent years.

three grandchildren.

Carolina airports.

ersonville

The Civil Aeronautics Ad-

Meeting in the employment of- Manning James Bailey Peel and fices here last Tuesday afternoon, R. Edwin Peele were added to the local business and professional list as new directors. The direcmen perfected a permanent or- tors were instructed to proceed ganization of the Williamston with the incorporation of the club Boosters Association, Incorporat- and to formulate a budget and Handled under a subterfuge for ed, and plans for future activities ways and means for financing the C. B. Clark, Jr., temporary elected secretary, is to report for bemarle Asyociation came with chairman, was elected permanent active duty on May 2, and plans president, and Kelly Gay was are being made to have the ornamed vice president. Temporary ganization functioning by that plete trans-continental highway

Under the new control act, the Jr., Kelly Gay, Robert Cowen, Last year approximately eighty most easterly bit of land in conti-ABC Board is strengthened by the Frank Margolis, B. A. Critcher, business firms and professional nental United States over the Jr., Jas. E. Griffin, Leman Barn- men were affiliated with the club, week-end and here they found hill, Urbin Rogers and Ernest and the foundation was laid at enthusiasm for the project already Mears, were given a permanent that time for a more extensive ripening and the inhabitants of

Justices Of Peace Handle Ten Cases

Several Defendants Bound Over To County Court For Trial In May

Justices R. T. Johnson and John

dim their lights, patrolmen re-

set for trial on May 2. The super- County has provided North Caroior court has the continued right- lina with as fine a lot of orange of-way next Monday.

Cases handled by Justice John-terminus in California. son in his court:

Stephen M. Ewell, native of for thirty days, the court suspend- Meekins and Daniels that since was keeping company with another man's wife, and it was Cross Roads Township. State ABC Board, and a hearing War I, died in McQuire's Veterans' teed good behavior for twelve road that it surely would not ap-11:30 o'clock last Tuesday night fine and \$6.35 costs.

tried to withdraw the warrant in Cape Hatteras, which is probably the case charging Samuel Scott the most storied piece of real eswith an assault, Justice Johnson tate in the United States, the site taxed the witness with the cost. of Cape Hatteras State Park and

years ago on February 1, 1897, and to pay \$5.85 costs. him \$5 plus \$9.50 costs.

Firemen Called To Grass Fire Off Church Street

hours of 11 p. m. and 7.30 a. m., ried in 1920 to Miss Ruth Bassett o'clock when a grass fire went out vesterday afternoon at 2:10 vives with two daughters, Mrs. E. Street and threatened outbuild- them." Melvin Daniels promised Hannibal Purvis of Bethel, and

THE RECORD SPEAKS . . .

For the third time this year, motorists on Martin County highways traveled around an entire week without a reportable accident. Patrolmen said that traffic, including the heavy movement at the weekend, moved without accident during the 15th week, but the current week was reported to be off to a bad start.

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. 15th Week

Accidents Inj'd Killed Dam'ge 1949 0 0 0 \$ 1948 2 0 0

Comparisons To Date 1949 31 15 1 \$ 6,125 1948 40 17 1 7,090

Extend Route 64

Will Discuss Bridging River And Croatan Sound At Meeting Friday

Buxton on Cape Hatteras, April organization. A. L. Sweatt, newly 20 .-- Officials of the Southern Altheir visions of a new and comto its eastern anchor-point on the inspectors, exercising authority standing, and K. P. Lindsley, A. J. schedule of activities in the future. the Seven Villages of the North Carolina Outer Banks much more than hospitable to the notion that U. S. Highway 64 should begin As pictured to them by Victor

> Meekins, president of the Associ-In Court Recently ation and Melvin Daniels, secretary, the road ought naturally to begin down here and proceed northward, across Oregon Inlet, now within sight of rehabilitation and re-birth of a dwindled fishing industry. And thence across Roanoke Island, across Croatan Sound, L. Hassell handled ten cases in where the road will fork into their courts during the past few Route 264 before continuing bedays. Several of the defendants youd Alligator River, Columbia, were bound over to the county Plymouth and Williamston, the court where they'll be tried in length of North Carolina and the width of the nation, its western After appealing to motorists to anchor at San Diego, California.

> More detailed plans for the cently started checking on those launching of the project will be who intentionally or unintention- discussed in Columbia Friday afally failed to extend the courtesy ternoon of this week when the ento approaching motorists and help tire executive board of the Assoeliminate a night traffic hazard. ciation meets to project the de-Two of the five defendants veloping campaign a step nearer bound over to the county court its full-fledging. From here Presistand charged with violating the dent Meekins and Secretary Danliquor laws. Two others are book- iels will take a story that may ed for speeding and one is up for sound a little incredible to upallegedly operating a motor ve- landers, since it has to do with hicle while his driver's license was some scores of orange and grane. revoked. Most of the cases sent fruit trees now in full bloom. Even to the higher court are tentatively they were surprised that Dare trees as the road will find at its

> Practical - minded villagers John Lee James, charged with along the Outer Banks, after study assault, was sentenced to the roads of the map, suggested to Messrs. Fishing wihout a license, L. F. one of the U. S. Coast Guard's Curry was fined \$5 and taxed with most important modern installations.

> Charged with failing to dim the Nor were the Villagers slow to lights on his motor vehicle when appraise the value of the road promeeting another vehicle, Andrew jected south of Oregon Inlet not Purvis was fineu \$5 and required only to themselves but to all the territory westward - plumb to In his court, Justice Hassell ad- California. Re-opening of Oregon judged Luther Respass of being inlet, in prospect for next year, drunk and disorderly and fined will bring back to the Pamlico Sound Country a re-possession of its ancient pre-eminence as a fishground, and on a modern basis.

> "We can still catch the fish here Firemen were called out here they'll be eating them in Raleigh freeze them, and along that road, by supper and in Hendersonville of control just off West Church the road ought to start—both of to get the message to the executive committee of the Association at its Friday meeting.

Lumber Company

The Critcher Lumber Company plans to start construction on a new plant estimated to cost \$35,000 here next week, Mr. R. A. Critcher, senior member of the firm, announced this morning. The plant is to be located just off Slade Street near the railroad to the rear of the Dixie Peanut Com-

Plans Going Forward To Cape Hatteras On Drainage Project

ON THE AIR

It will be "Martin County On the Air" on the weekly 4-H Program over WPTF in Raleigh Saturday, April 23 at 12:45 p. m. Those 4-H members participating are: Mary Jane Rogers of Williamston, Billy Bailey of Everetts, Corrone Bryant and Reg Coltrain of Williamston. The topic of the program will be the 6th Annual Martin County Fat Stock Show.

Two Juries Grant Five Divorces In Court on Tuesday

Husband Says He Left Wife "Because She Took Up With Another Man'

Five divorces were granted in very short order and without nany questions being asked before Judge W. H. S. Burgwyn in the Martin County Superior Court last Monday. A sixth divorce case was removed from the calendar when the plaintiff accepted a volwere continued for one reason or job, one hearing a case while the Basing his action on two-year-

his wife, Thelma E. Harrison. The Burgwyn did ask the man why they separated. Harrison charged that his wife "took up with another man. Evidence offered in a civil suit brought against Harrison in September. 1946, hardly by the plaintiff in getting his divorce this week, and brings to farm or Eli Rogers' farm, the light again the blind alley justice ran up nearly three years ago. It Bear Grass and Turkey Swamps was declared in open court back in the very life of his wife. Presid-Judge Burgwyn ordered Harrison reeciving the maximum benefit to pay one-third of the net pro- from the project will be grouped ceeds from their farming opera- in Class A, unofficial estimates tions that year, less her attorney's placing the cost for that group at fees. The judge also ordered that about \$8 an acre and on down. the fate of the six children born "The drainage system will mean to the union be determined by the just about as much to the value of juvenile authorities. Shortly the land as fertilizer," a member thereafter the plaintiff, accom- of the committee said this week. panied by four of the children and Damage to tracts of timber where allegedly by the other man's wife the streams have choked up has left this county and located pres-been estimated as high as \$3,000 umably in Edgecombe. The by one individual owner. other two children and the moth- It is declared that the project is er returned or continued at her years late, that unless something mother's home. No official in- is done without further delay formation comes from welfare de- many acres will have to be aban-

former wife and the two children on his lands. not known. One report says Another member of the committhey have received about \$50 from tee pointed out that the project is him since September, 1946. The quite an undertaking, that even court recognized his claim for a though the cost will approximate

two years of separation were spent on it. granted, as follows:

Louise Chance; Blanch F. Barnhill the completion and announced re-To Build Plant against Paul R. Barnhill; Paul sults of the one now being advanc-Harrell against Gathy Harrell, and ed, one report stated.

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Marriages And **Divorces Decline**

The Public Health Service in Washington reports that there has North Carolina Legislature is now been a sharp decrease in both believed nearing an end, Much Machinery, including a new marriages and divorces in the muddled legislation has been plac-150-horsepower boiler and engine, United States during the past two ed on the statute books, some out is to be moved to the site Monday years. The service estimates that of spite and many bills have been or Tuesday of next week. The there were 415,000 divorces last lost for the same reason. company plans to have the plant year, compared with some 474.000 | Conferees are working today in ready for operation in about nine- in 1947 and 610,000 in the peak an effort to straighten out the "if" year of 1946. The marriage rate surrounding a bonus for teachers. The company is composed of for the past three years went like The bonus is offered willingly, but Messrs. R. A. Critcher, senior and this: 1,815,000 in 1948; 1,991,878 in on certain conditions, mainly if junior, T. S. Critcher and son, Jim 1947, and more than 2,000,000 in there is a surplus and the money

Survey Financed By Small Group At Recent Meet

13,000-Acre Drainage System To Cost Approximately \$42,000

An extensive drainage project, slated to improve an estimated 13,000 acres of land and estimated to cost \$42,000, is tentatively scheduled to get under way in this county within a short time, accordinng to a report coming from a meeting of a special committee held in Williamston recently.

Meeting with Attorneys Frank Wooten, Jr., and Clarence Griffin and Engineers George Refrew and Tom Rivers, the committee posted \$300 to finance an initial survey. and it is believed that there'll be no hitch in the project

Centered mainly in Bear Grass Roads Township, the project has approximately ninety percent of be learned there is no strong op

other group deliberated the issues. Cratt and son, Noah Rogerson Marvin S. Cowin, E. C. Harrison Harrison was given a divorce from case was not contended, but Judge tin County Superior Court this

Creek near the John Bill Leggett drainage system will center in

partment files, and just how much doned, one farmer declaring that support the father has given his the water is actually backing up

and even possibly exceed \$42,000, Divorces based on grounds of it will be well worth every penny

Other projects are being con-Roy Harrell against Irma Allen sidered in the county, but develop-Harrell; W. C. Chance, Jr., against ments are being delayed pending

Legislature Nears **End of Long Term**

Mired down deep in confusion and resentment for months, the

and W. E. Pace.