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OVER 3,000 MARTIN COUNTY

Jamesville Opens Community Fair Friday Morning

Indications Point To Largest Event of Its Kind **Ever Held in County**

Jamesville announced today tions pointing to the largest event \$19,000.00. of its kind ever held in the coun-

the farmer and homemaker, are the office will qualify for a first ped from \$80,704.26 in the third literally pouring into the gymnasium and the tops in dairy and beef program has been planned, and the people, not only those in the community but those in other sections also, are looking forward to the big event.

The exhibition hall opens at 10 a. m. Friday for public inspection and will remain open until 10:00 o'clock that night. Arrangements have been made for keeping the lunchroom open to the public from 11:30 until 1:00 o'clock and meals will be served at a reasonable price. Judges, including several from State College and others from out of the county, will make their inspections early.

The big events on the program are to get underway when a parade, headed by Williamston's High School band, forms at the depot and moves down to the main highway, thence up the highway about two blocks and thence to the school where Governor Kerr Scott will make the main address.

Special stunts are scheduled to get underway about 2:30 o'clock, and that evening a special program will be held in the school auditorium. A number of amateurs will participate in the evening program along with a special radio troupe, it was announced.

Fifteen or more commercial exoutside the main exhibit hall along with special live-at-home exhibits and hundreds of individual entries.

H. B. Gaylord will serve as master of ceremonies at the event following the parade. The band will offer several numbers, followed by the song, "America." Walter Gardner will offer the invocation, and Representative A. Corey will make the address of welcome. Following special announcement and the introduction of stage guests, Professor Vaden Hairr will introduce the speaker, Governor Scott, the singing of the "Star Spangled Banner" marking the close of the special program.

Governor Scott has not announced his address subject, but he is certain to drive home a message when he speaks extemporaneously on a special platform in front of the school. In the event of unfavorable weather, the program will be rearranged for the governor to speak inside the auditorium.

The Jamesville community is counties to attend and check up on the progress made in agriculture despite adverse weather conditions and other unfavorable factors. And thousands are expected there during the day.

County Officers Meet In Raleigh

others, were told that the illicit Cherry, Hamilton, 80; Reddick, hquor traffic had developed into Williamston, 79; Edmondson, Hasbig business. Reporting on the sell, 78; K. D. Rogers, Williamsmeeting, ABC Officer J. H. Roe- ton, 78; Forbes, Robersonville, buck of this county said that he 77; Brown, Williamston, 74.5; P. was surprised to learn that the W. Williams, Williamston, 73; W. traffic had reached such propor- Johnson, Williamston, 70.5. tions in some sections of the state, adding that the business in Martin County is hardly a drop in the

"It was a good meeting," the officer said, predicting that much good will come out of it.

Post Office Income Sets Season Opened On Seven Bands Will Record Here Last Quarter

office advanced in the following for the corresponding month in Quite a Few Other Cases Other Plans For the Big two months to set a new income 1948. A similar increase was rerecord for the third quarter, Post- ported in August over the corremaster W. E. Dunn announced this sponding month of last year. In week. While the sale of stamps the third quarter of 1948 the everything in readiness for open- was breaking all records the stamp sales amounted to \$9,040.35 ing its first community fair Fri- money order business handled by as compared with \$10,195.56 last day morning with present indica- the office here fell off by nearly quarter. In the first nine months

The postmaster heistated with a amounted to \$25,557.89, compared prediction, but it is fairly evident with \$28,410.80 sales reported for that if the rate of increase is main- the first nine months of this year. Exhibits, showing the fruits of tained throughout this quarter, The money order business drop-

third quarter last year and the September of this year, the postcattle, swine and poultry will be one this year, the postmaster said master explaining that some of delivered to the pens on the that stamp sales dropped from \$2,- the government agencies had disgrounds early tomorrow morning. 862.36 in July, 1948, to \$2,686.57 in continued remitting to Washing-An interesting and entertaining July this year, but that in August ton by money order.

After losing a little ground in of this year there was a gain of the month of July, the local post nearly \$700 over the stamp sales of last year the stamp sales

quarter of last year to \$61,960.51 Reviewing the business for the in the months of July, August and

In Coming Week

Sales Now Stand Right At

Eight and Three-quarter

Million Pounds

While no definite date has been

fixed, it is fairly certain the final

curtain on the 1949 tobacco mar-

keting season will be lowered on

the market here sometime next

week. Warehouse operators, de-

claring they are ready to keep

their houses open just as long as

necessary, explained they would

be in a better position to fix a de-

finite closing date when a hurried

No official reports have been re-

planning to suspend sales the lat-

ter part of next week, most of

The smallest sale of the season

was reported day before yester-

day when only 33,632 pounds

were sold, but the price average

Up until this morning the local

average is holding to a figure

Winners In Home

Fashion Contest

Judges of the Essay Contest

sponsored during Home Fashion

15-year-old Robersonville

A large number of essays were

received from students repre-

senting most of the high schools in

the county and the choice was a

difficult one. The competition

prize, a desk, was given by the

four furniture stores of Williams-

ton, B. S. Courtney and Son, Mc-

Home Fashion Time, a nation-

wide furniture promotion, was

brought to a close here Saturday

afternoon at 3:00 with a prize con-

test drawing in the office of the

Enterprise Publishing Company

Elwood Chesson won a service for

six in Victorian silverware, given

by McLawhorn Furniture Co. A

Duncan Phyfe coffee table, cour-

tesy of Heilig-Meyers was won by

niture Company was awarded to

Lucy Gray Williams.

desk yesterday.

Company.

them on Friday.

Local Market To REDUCTION Close Sometime

Following a public hearing held by the Department of Insurance in Raleigh last month, a reduction in fire, theft and comprehensive automobile insurance rates has been approved or order-

According to information coming from the office of State Insurance Commissioner Waldo Cheek, the reductions will save policyholders more than half a million dollars annually.

Releases Grades For Markets And Cafes In County survey i

Eighteen Markets and Four teen Cafes Rate Grade Of 90 Or Better

Inspecting the fifty-five marcounty recently, Sanitarian W. B. markets, especially in those areas Gaylord, Jr., announced that where the harvest was earlier eighteen of the markets and four- than usual. teen of the cases rated 90 or bet-

The sanitary ratings follow:

Markets Grade A: Colonial, Williamston, was well over the 50-cent figure. 95.5; McClees, Williamston, 94.5; While prices have weakened on Ange, Williamston, 94; Ward, Wil- some grades, there is still much liamston, 93.5; B & B, Hamilton, tobacco being sold in the high six-93; D. L. Hardy, Williamston, 92.5; ties. Yesterday, the market here Moore Grocery, Williamston, 92.5; sold 39,464 pounds for an average B. A. Rogers, Robersonville, 92.5; right at \$52.00 per hundred. Roberson, Robersonville, 92: Williams, Robersonville, 91.5; Tiny, market had sold 8,651,358 pounds Williamston, 91.5; West End, Wil- for \$4,242,241, an average of \$49.04 liamston, 91.5; Hardison, James- per hundred pounds. The price ville, 90.5; Peele, Williamston, 90.5; Williams Community, Wil- slightly higher than the average liamston, 90.5; Elm Wood, Wil- for the belt as a whole, according liamston, 90; Jones Community, to unofficial reports. Williamston, 90; and Sunny Side, Williamston, 90.

Grade B: Brown Bros., James-

ville, 88; E. Bunting, Oak City, 88; Gold Point, Robersonville, 88; H. S. Hardy, Everetts, 88; Robertson, Williamston, 87.5: Apris Oak City, 87; Moore, Williamston, 87; J. Bunting, Oak City, 86.5; Ben's Williamston, 85; Lonaldson, Wil- stores awarded Hester Marie Marextending a cordial invitation to liamston, 65; Grann Front, Williamston, 85; Sexton, Jamesville, High School student, the prize 85; Slade Rhodes, Hamilton, 85; H. S. Johnson, Hamilton, 84; Boyd, Hamilton, 84; Mizelle, Williamston, 84; Wm. Rogers, Williamston, 84; Cherry, Everetts, 83; Hoell, Williamston, 83; Red Front, Williamston, 83; W. A. Roberson, Williamston, 83; Terry Bros., Williamston, 83; Bryan, Robersonville, 82.5; Smith, Williamston, Lawhorn Furniture Co., Woolard 82.5; Sunny Brook, Williamston, Furniture Co., and Heilig-Meyers Meeting in Raleigh yesterday, er, Robersonville, 81; E. T. An-82.5; Daniel, Oak City, 81; Weavcounty officers, including sher-drews, Robersonville, 81; Lilly, iffs, deputies, ABC officers and Williamston, 80.5; Edmondson &

Cafes Grade A: Wier, Williamston, 95; Mrs. Robert Manning. An Ezra Central, Williamston, 94.5; East bucket compared with activities Side, Williamston, 93.5; Griffins, Courtney and Son was won by J. on the illicit liquor front in other 92.5; G. & C., Williamston, 91.5; W. Garris and a plastic covered Leggett, Williamston, 90.5; Rob- bedroom chair from Woolard Furerson, Williamston, 90.5; South-

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By Court Action

Handled By Justices In Past Few Days

Open season has been declared Latham, maybe unaware of the stated. order, came into Justice R. T.

the bird ornaments and put the yesterday. "guts" back in the mufflers.

In addition to the little "bird" case, Justice Johnson handled ten ever seen in this part of the others in his court recently. Charged with trespassing, Clar- tions have been extended to high

roads for thirty days. hunting on Sunday.

ed \$5 and taxed with \$5.85 costs cess Plymouth; Miss Shirley Stevfor allegedly operating a motor enson, vehicle with improper equipment. Bear Grass has assured the Boost-

was fined \$5, plus \$5.85 costs. Lonnie Rodgers, charged with are choosing their princesses. assaulting his father, was sentenc- Scheduled to report here about survey is made after the sales to- ed to the roads for thirty days, noon Wednesday, October 26, the the court suspending the road princesses will each ride in a conterm for twelve months upon the vertible in the parade at 2:00

markets in the belt are tentatively costs. Charged with assaulting a fe- the Harvest Ball at 10:30 that male and being drunk and disord- night in the Planters Warehouse erly, Willie Darden was found not one will be chosen and crowned During the meantime, sales are guilty on the first count. Adjudg- queen of the Harvest Festival. kets and thirty-one cafes in the dwindling rapidly on most of the ed guilty of being drunk and disroads for twelve months, the jus- the parade along with specialties. tice suspending the road sentence upon the payment of a \$10 fine

and \$7.85 costs. orderly, was sentenced to the nesday night. Tickets will go on roads for thirty days. The road sale for the Harvest Ball on Satterm was suspended upon guaran- urday of this week. teed good behavior for twelve months and the payment of a \$10 fine and \$5.85 costs.

Charged with operating a motor vehicle with improper equipment, William Hesk Manning was fined \$5 and taxed with the costs.

For operating a motor vehicle with improper lights, Leon Cordle Gibble was taxed with \$5,85 costs. Justice John L. Hassell handled several cases in his court this week, including the following:

Charged with assaulting his wife with a deadly weapon, Joe Beach was bound over to the 000,000 veteral have yet to mail county court. Bond in the sum of \$200 was required.

were charged with public drunkenness, the court assessing \$9.50 costs against Rascoe and \$10.50 tion. According to VA, the large Time by Williamston furniture against Harris.

FIRST POTATOES

The first sale of sweet potatoes from the current crop was made yesterday to the Martin County Yam Growers' Association by Dallas Cox, Oak City 4-H Club member. The young man received \$1.82 per bushel green, and he is averaging 300 bushels an acre.

The association is storing its first potatoes today in the warehouse just back of the Martin-Elliott Wholesale Co., and arrangements are being made to store an additional 10,000 bushels.

Just recently organized, the association is doing all possible to provide a recognized market for potatoes. While it is buying green potatoes, the association is centering its plan of operation on cured potatoes.

Contsruction work on a receiving warehouse is nearing completion here and a grading machine is being shipped.

Harvest Festival

Event Are Going Forward Rapidly

pink and yellow ornaments held October 26, Alford Sweatt, manby suction to car windshields and aging director of the Williamston windows. An order was issued Boosters, has been assured, and some time ago, warning motorists other plans for the big event opnot to stick the birds on car win- ening Tuesday evening, October dows or windshields. Well, Amos 25, are shaping up rapidly, it was

Johnson's court a few days ago to Boosters' invitation to participate set a perfect example for others. in the parade Wednesday after-Charged with displaying non- noon, October 26, at 2:00 o'clock transparent material—a bird—on are, Ahoskie High School, Edenhis car window, the warrant read, ton High School, Tarboro High Latham was taxed with the costs, School, Roper Colored High School, Washington High School, Incidentally, motorists are re- Williamston High School and Wilminded that it is unlawful to op- liamston Colored High School. Inerate motor vehicles with "gut- vitations have been extended to ted" mufflers. Patrolmen warn other bands, but they have not vehicle owners to dispense with been heard from up until late

"The Parade, we are convinced, will equal anything of its kind State," Mr. Sweatt said. Invitaence Brown was sentenced to the schools throughout this area, and five have already selected their Sutton Bazemore was fined \$10 princesses, including Miss Sybil and taxed with \$5.85 costs for Caton, Princess Edenton; Miss Gladys Everett, Princess Oak Robert Wade Johnson was fin- City; Miss Shirley Roberson, Prin-Publicly drunk, Romas Taylor ers that its school will be well represented, and other high schools ceived, but quite a number of payment of a \$10 fine and \$5.85 o'clock, and will be entertained at a buffet supper that evening. At

> A large number of the most Bob Lee and his Collegians from East Carolina Teachers College will play for the Harvest Ball Walter Freeman, drunk and dis- beginning at 9:00 o'clock Wed-

Many Vets Have **Not Filed Claims**

Veterans Administration ports that its central office in Washington has received applications for the National Service Life Insurance special dividend from approximately two-thirds of the veterans who are eligible for the \$25, plus costs. payments. This means that something in the neighborhood of 5,in their applications.

Jesse Rascoe and John Harris ans to give this matter their at-VA urges World War II veter tention, as dividends will be paid volume of applications must be processed before the bar write the checks and mail them, commencing in January, 1950.

The central office reports that some 50,000 applications have are cautioned that to be valid the applications must bear the veteran's signature.

write in their service serial numtant for identification. Some veterans have written their date of church next week, it was reportenlistment in the space where the ed. service serial number should be written.

sample application forms torn ernoon and Monday. Rev. D. A. from a newspaper or magazine. Hudson, former pastor, conducted The VA machines can use only the the baptismal rites. official VA forms.

Drainage Project Survey Man Denied Bond Automobile Birds Parade Here For About Complete In County In Capital Case

Engineers are tentatively sched- No advanced information about Knight and VanNortwick of the owner in the district.

fected by the program.

uled to complete a fairly detailed the survey has been released, but survey of the proposed drainage it is well established that the proproject in Cross Roads and Bear ject is greatly needed, that the Grass Townships this week, pre- preliminary opposition will pos paratory to carrying the program sibly diminish when all the basic At least seven brass bands will into the courts for final adoption facts are made available along by the courts for taking automo- be in Williamston's second annual or rejection. The field survey is with assessment amounts and adbile birds-those little reddish harvest festival on Wednesday, being handled by Messrs. Mc- vantages to accrue to each land-

their findings will be placed in County Drainage Project No. 1, the hands of the project engineers unofficial reports stating that who are to determine the tenta- farmers in another section of the tive assessments, it was learned. county are interested in a drain-A detailed map will be prepar- age program for their territory. ed, showing the drainage projects, It was reported that preliminary land and tentative assessments for action is being taken in the proeach of the approximately 100 posed No. 2 undertaking, but no owners whose lands will be af- official information has yet been released.

Call Dozen Cases In County Court Monday Morning

Several Defendants Sentenced To Roads; Fines Amount To \$215

After handling a large docket the previous week, the Martin County Recorder's Court had only a dozen cases on its docket for trial last Monday. Several defendants were sentenced to the roads and fines imposed during the session lasting until 12:45, amounted to only \$215.

Proceedings: Charged with failing to give proper hand signal, Jake David Spruill pleaded innocent. Adjudged guilty, he was fined \$25 and taxed with the cost. Notice of appeal was given and bond was fixed in the sum of \$50.

Jasper Rogers was found not guil-

His case coming up for final judgment, Henry Bullock, charg-1 ed with larceny, was fined \$25 and easier time with surplus potatoes taxed with the costs.

Pleading guilty of speeding, James Henry Gray, Jr., was fined fewer of them and the grower \$50, plus costs.

Charged with operating a motor vehicle without a driver's license, \$225,000,000 to carry out its price Everett Lyttle Davis pleaded guil- promise on the 1948 crop. Agriculty and was fined \$25 and taxed ture Department officials believe with the costs.

William Cortez Hopkins was \$50,000,000.

icense, Alphonso Henries was This was a record surplus. fined \$15, plus costs.

George Lee Howard was fined erated: \$15 and required to pay the costs for speeding.

Charged with careless Jr., pleaded guilty and was fined ed among individual growers. Drunk and disorderly, Elbert

Whitehurst was fined \$10 and ta ed with the costs. Charged with larceny and being

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Close Meeting In Church Near Here

Rev. Lewis Styons, Jr., evangeist of Roanoke Rapids, concluded a successful series of revival serbeen received unsigned. Veterans vices in the Community Christian here last Sunday. Forty-one memfound in applications are as fol- more than 100 members. The ser-Some veterans have failed to ing the entire meeting and the timely messages were well receivbers. This number is very impor- ed. The evangelist is starting a series of meetings in the Fairview

Baptismal services were held at the John A. Manning fish pond Some veterans have sent in near the church last Sunday aft- Mr. Van Taylor Now

The Rev. Mr. Hudson, after next month, it was announced.

U. S. Conservation Service and The project is known as Martin

COMPLETE ROAD

Laying the foundation several weeks ago, State Highway forces are completing the road from Highway 17 at the Staton farm near here to a point near Bear Grass this

The project, allotted prior to the issuance of the first of \$200 million bonds, is the first to be completed in this county since the wholesale change in highway personnel.

It could not be learned when the Hamilton-Palmyra road would be completed.

Surplus Potatoes Offer No Serious Problem In 1949

Charged with bastardy, Robert Cost \$50 Million This Year To Save The Irish **Potato Farmers**

Uncle Sam is having a much this year than last.

price guarantee is lower.

It cost the government about the cost this year will be less than

fined \$15 and taxed with the costs | Last year's program, which the n the case charging him with department only recently wound up, was costly because the crop Pleading guilty of operating a was about 136,000,000 bushels notor vehicle without a driver's more than consumers wanted. Hunters Plan To

Here is how the program op-

Before the 1948 crop was planted the department announced a and planting goal in terms of acres to reckless driving, James Taylor, be planted. This goal was divid-

> The goal was the acreage which the department deemed necessary to produce the potatoes consumers were expected to take. Officials figured that if production balanced with the need, there would be no surplus and prices would nat-

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Officers Destroy Large Distillery

Raiding in the old Jim Griffin pocosin area of Griffins Township Church on the Hamilton Road last Monday afternoon, ABC Officer J. H. Roebuck and his assistbors were added to the roll, eight ant, Deputy Roy Peel, wrecked a Other mistakes that have been by transfer. The church now has large distillery and poured out ten of a goat. The goat in the case apbarrels of sugar mash. The plant, parently thrived on the transfusvices were largely attended dur- one of the largest wrecked in this county in recent months, was equipped with a 200-gallon capac ity copper kettle.

> Capturing the kettle, the offic ers wrecked a big box fermenter the ten barrels, a number of empty jugs and confiscated an axe.

Able To Be Out Some

Undergoing treatment in Washington hospital for several The VA will commence mailing serving the church for some time, weeks, Mr. Van G. Taylor returnchecks to eligible veterans in Jan- recently resigned, and the Rev. ed to his home in Everetts this quintets, sextets, choruses and pary, 1950. It estimates that at Richard Gardner, a native of this week. His condition is improved choir numbers. The public is inthe rate of 200,000 checks per county who returned a short time and he was able to visit his vited to attend. working day, it will require sev- ago from a ministry in Kansas, farm Tuesday and yesterday he

Tuesday Evening

Sam Gorham Admits Entering Aged Woman's Home, Saying She Invited Him

Charged with breaking into the home of and assaulting Louisa Biggs, 80-year-old colored woman, here early last Sunday morning, Sam Gorham, young colored man, was returned to jail without the privilege of bond Tuesday evening when Justice John L. Hassell found probable cause of guilt at a preliminary hearing.

Quite spirited for one of advanced age, the victim of the alleged attack held no brief for the accused man. She told how he entered her home shortly after midnight while she was sleeping of Pearl and Wilson Streets. "He offered me 25 cents to be quiet, and when I told him to get out, he offered me 50 cents, then a dollar," the aged victim declared, explaining that he then choked her and that he left only after she yelled for help.

The aged woman said that Gorham had been there before, but that she ran him away.

Laura Brown, a neighbor, testified that she was in bed at her home at the time, that her husband, sitting on the porch at the time, heard the aged victim scream. The witness said she got up and heard the Biggs woman say to Gorham, "I'm going to tell your mother if you do not go

"Louisa told me Sam had choked her," the witness said, adding that she saw the alleged attacker

Sarah Edmonds, another neighbor, said she heard the victim 'holler,' and that she also heard the aged woman tell Sam to get out of her house, that she saw

Sam leaving the home. Gorham, without counsel, admitted going to the aged woman's home, explaining that he knocked and that she invited him into the house. He made no further statement, Justice Hassell having ruled that there was probable cause of guilt and that no bond could be

allowed in the case. The victim, asked again if she could identify Gorham as the man who entered her home and assaulted her, said she could swear he was the man.

Go After Deer

Disease or no disease, well, sick or dying, deer in the lowlands in this area will be on the spot on Saturday of this week when the season opens for taking the animals. Martin County hunters are forming their parties and the season is certain to be opened with a bang.

There was the possibility that the opening would be delayed on account of the mysterious disease reported among deer herus, but it is fairly certain that the hunt will be allowed. The mysterious deaths of deer

emain unsolved. It was nounced yesterday that anthrax, first suspected, is not believed to be killing the deer, and no definite cause can be assigned. Blood was taken from a sick

deer by a local veterinarian last week and injected into the veins ion, and the results ruled out the bacterial angle.

Fifth Sunday Sing At West End Church Here

The next Fifth Sunday Sing in the county will be held in the West End Baptist Church at Williamston at 2:30 o'clock on October 30, it was announced this week by Rev. E. R. Stewart, Hamilton Baptist minister.

Special numbers are welcomed in solos, duets, trios, quartets,

Those desiring to enter special eral months to complete the mail- will serve the church beginning was greeting old friends on the numbers are asked to notify Mr.