Preservation Of Forests Stressed At PTA Meeting

Members Hear Panel Discussion and Talk By Robert W. Shaw

The great need of protection and preservation of the forest resources of Martin County, North Carolina and the nation at large was pointed up by the program of the Parents-Teachers meeting in the Grammar School auditorium here last night when Miss Lissie Pearce led a panel of seventh grade students in telling what they have learned about the forest resources of their county and state and why they have found it so important to know about them. As a further part of the program on today's education, Mr. Robert W. Shaw of the North Carolina Department of Conservation and Development presented a picture, "Trees for Tomorrow", with a running commentary by the noted radio announcer Harry Von

At the close of the meeting it was announced by President J. C. Eubanks that the next regular session of the P.-T. A. will be held in the same auditorium on the evening of December 12 at 7:30 with Mrs. Genevieve Burton of the State Office as the guest speaker. The associations_at Everetts, Bear Grass, Farm Life and Jamesville are to be invited to meet with the Williamston P.-T. A. to hear Mrs.

Rev. E. R. Shuller opened the program for the evening with a brief devotional service during which he emphasized the importance of teaching the child to obey the law, of the need for the teacher to expand the child in growth both in understanding of the law and its observance. He admitted the lack of religious training in all too many homes and acknowledged the task of the teacher in trying to expand something that did not already exist. A better effort along that line in home and school

A report from the membership committee revealed that the local P.-T. A. is now a standard unit within the framework of the National Congress of Parents and Teachers, the total membership having passed the 300 mark.

Miss Pearce opened the program on Today's Education with a brief explanation of how the modern child learns about the people, the forces and things about him and how to get along opening the second of a two-week formed. with these things as he grows to greater usefulness in the world.

The subject of forest resources was considered at length as a part from the docket before the tri- His soul is fixed on recovery and of the overall picture. The children in the panel explained how after the noon hour. they learned about the forests, from observation, personal exsupplied by the forests, from talks

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Fire Department **Gets Volunteers**

removal of Jack Edmondson to Snow Hill and the death of Moses "signed up" four new recruits last evening. They are W. B. Gaylord, Jr., Bill. Thrower Co. Baldree and Davis VanNortwick. There is now a fairly large waiting list for membership in the department.

With the new additions, the department now has twenty mem-

Accident Victim Is Improving In Hospital

Critically shot in a Thanksgiving Day hunting accident, James Herbert Ward, local young man, was reported today to be steadily improving in Duke Hospital. No complications followed the major operation performed to close several punctures in the small intestines, and he is expected to return home possibly sometime next

Mr. Ward was wounded when a rifle in the hands of his young son accidentally fired while he was hunting with the youth and several friends near here.



Mr. Van G. Taylor, one of the main benefactors, is pictured as he prepared to lay the first brick for Williamston's new 44-bed hospital the early part of last week. With him are his daughter, son-in-law and grandson, Dr. and Mrs. Chas. I. Harris, Jr., and Van Taylor Harris

Youth Continues

Seriously III In

Underwent Major Heart

Operation There Last

Friday Morning

Master Jack Harris, Martin

County's first pronounced "blue

baby," continues seriously ill in

Duke Hospital where he under-

went the major heart operation

that there was danger from fluid

forming around the heart, and

could not be determined for sev-

It was also reported that the

muscles had tightened around the

heart to such an extent that the

flow of blood was all but checked

Christmas. Since so many factors

are against him, there is some

friends had contributed \$82 in

mas. Contributions received by

Two Marriage Licenses

drews, both of Tarboro.

ready for him.

CLUB CHECKS

A real break came a few days ago for approximately 500 persons who participated in the Guaranty Bank and Trust Company's Christmas Club. Approximately \$28,000 was paid to the club members, the cash serving as a shock absorber to the holiday demand on the pocketbook.

The bank announces that a club will be opened on Thursday of this week for the 1950 Christmas and all are eligible to participate in the savings

Clear Few Cases From The Docket In Superior Court that the outcome of the operation

Several Cases Continued For Attorneys on Account Of Witness Shortage

For one reason or another the Martin County Superior Court, just before the operation was perterm Monday for the trial of civil The little fellow, handicapped cases only, could not get going, during most of his twelve years. but several cases were cleared is putting up a brave fight for life. bunal recessed for the day shortly the strength to ride a bicycle by

A verdict in the damage suit brought by H. P. Mobley against doubt if he'll be able to ride a bike perience, teachers, contacts with B. F. Perry was all but set aside Christmas, but friends are talking those who work in the forests and Monday morning by Judge W. H. about buying one and having it make things from the materials S. Burgwyn, presiding. The jury in awarding the plaintiff a judg- Jackie, whose home is near ment in the sum of \$250, did not Bear Grass, is one of eight fatherwrite the answer to one of the isless children, and while no plea Land Values Hold sues, and a mistrial was in order. for aid has been made by the fam-The judge turned the case over ily, friends bave rallied to his supto the jury about 4:00 o'clock last port with cash contributions. No Wednesday afternoon and took large amount has been donated, leave of absence until Monday and no large amount is being but failing to write in its answer | would mean much to the little felgence on the part of the plaintiff. Acting as treasurer for the "blue reported in the county. When the court was about to set baby" fund, Mrs. Irving Terry,

the verdict asiae, the litigants where making address is RFD 2, reached agreement, the plaintiff Williamston, said eysterday that The aged case of Elizabeth cash, that transportation had been Pierce against Ben D. Biggs was provided by others. settled by agreement. The case It has been suggested that it

involved a boundary line dispute. would be a fine gesture of friend-Most of the time the court was iy understanding if several hunin session Monday was spent hear- dred dollars could be raised for ing the case of R. S. Critcher the lad to help defray part of his house last Saturday, and the bidagainst Robert Rogers. The plain- hospital expenses and make certiff was awarded nothing and was tain a bike will be his for Christtaxed with the costs.

The case of Frank Carstarphen Mrs. Terry with the list of donors against Frank Weaver was con- are being turned over to the lad's tinued for the term on account of widowed mother.

the illness of one of the attorneys. No action was announced immediately, but it was reasonably certain that the case of Bailey against Bailey would be continued again on account of illness of one David Verlin Griffin of Griffins She is a sister of the late Little of the attorneys. The plaintiff is Township and Addie Lee Smith of Miss Peggy Harrison who receivfort to have a deed to certain pro- Hale and Jennie Christine An-

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Of Control Recently

No one was seriously injured Dogs, hogs and speed were said to announced this morning. have accounted for at least three

Property damage amounted to fire truck to Attorney Hugh Hor- ton.

son, RFD 3, Williamston, was driving his 1949 Ford into Williamsstarted to make a left turn into

Durham Hospital his 1947 Chevrolet. The cars ing the pattern followed in past start early Monday morning and and about \$150 to the Chevrolet, day lights ready to be turned on said was available and would be according to Patrolman John T. Rowe who made the investigation. the time of Santa's arrival.

Sunday afternoon about 2:30 tween Bear Grass and Cross Main and Washington Streets. Roads, causing about \$100 damage last Friday. Reports reaching

Last Friday night at 10:30 time. o'clock while driving from Rober-

Rev. Henry Moore, colored minister of Stokes, almost wrecked Fire Destroys his car when he ran over and killed a brood sow on Highway 903, about three miles out of Robersonville toward Stokes. The minister, entitled to recover the \$40 ahead and divert the animal to his Wednesday afternoon.

To High Figures

Land values continue to hold to morning. After deliberating sought, but friends acquainted what is considered high figures in decision, giving the plaintiff \$250 that several hundred dollars the sale of two tracts of land belonging to the Henry D. Peel es-Wheeler, the local fire department to the issue involving any negli- low in his fight for life and health. tate was among the highest ever

Sold last Saturday to H. Bowse, the land brought \$43,750. and the price is subject to be increased by later bids. The 173 hospital where his condition was about \$27,000, and the adjoining However, he responded to blood some over \$16,000.

There were eight bidders at the sale held in front of the courtding was fast and "furious".

Receives Transfusion In the Hospital Here

Little Miss Nancy Harrison, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Harrison of Bear Grass, was given another blood transfusion in the Issued Last Saturday hospital here Sunday, and was re-Two marriage licenses were is ported to have responded splen-

sued in this county last Saturday: didly. appealing to the courts in an ef- Robersonville; and Harry Lee ed more than 150 blood transfusions during the course of several

Of Auto Wrecks New York on Way

No One Seriously Hurt Merry Old Gentleman Will Arrive Here At 4:25 Poplar Point Over Thursday Afternoon

Santa Claus is coming to town but the property damage loss Thursday afternoon, December 1, mounted in another series of ve- promptly at 4:25 o'clock, Mr. hicle accidents on the highways Homer Barnhill, chairman of the in this county last week-end. Williamston Boosters committee, Working To Complete The

With a bulging pack of sweets and special favors for the kiddies, No one was hurt when Lee Wil- the Merry Old Gentleman sucabout \$150 and the driver was ton's office where he'll distribute. Mrs. LeRoy Taylor and Dock 1:10 o'clock David Clifton Rober- for handling before Christmas.

Simon Gurganus, driving north, tails in the hands of his assistants. for possible resacking and re-Special arrangements are being handling of some of the corn. Mr. Daniel Lilley's driveway with made to greet the Good Fellow. The workers in their meeting his 1947 Chevrolet. The cars The decoration committee, chang- Friday night declared they would ing about \$400 damage to the Ford years, is working to have the holi- go out to get the corn which they

here stated that the operation it- to the car. The driver suffered band will offer a brief Christmas outlined by the state and national not immediately identified, and fifty percent of parity and then self was successful, but that the cuts and bruises on the face. In- program in front of Attorney H. offices of the Christian Rural carried down the highway one only to those who plant within lad's condition was much worse vestigating the accident, Patrol- G. Horton's office a few minutes Overseas Program and some of hundred yards or more. His skull their allotments. If quotas are than preliminary examinations man B. W. Parker said the driver before Santa arrives, and the kid-theme were discussed by Rev. S. was partly crushed and one leg approved, farmers who plant had revealed. Unofficial reports received here yesterday stated was booked for operating a motor dies—the old folks, too—are invit- ed to be on hand for a great big township leaders and canvassers that he also suffered internal in- will be eligible for ninety percent

> sonville toward Gold Point, Allen ten their letters to Santa Claus are let each township handle the task pital. The sister suffered a bad The penalty rate on the market-Corey of Stokes swerved his new asked to get busy and have them in a manner best suited to its own leg injury, but no bones were ing excess, if quotas are estab-Dodge to the side of the road to ready for him Thursday after- situation. Mr. Simms pointed out broken. miss a dog. The machine sideswip- noon. The letters should be plac- that Pitt had sent two cars of corn Reporting the accident, James will be fifty percent of the parity ed a ditchbank, causing about \$50 ed in an envelope, but no postage already and Greene County had Williams, a brother of Norfolk, price of cotton as of June 15, 1950. damage to the car but hurting no stamps are necessary, the Boosters reported with one. He anticipat- said he had stopped their car on one, Patrolman B. W. Parker, who stating they'll attend to that for ed at least a car of 40,000 pounds the shoulder of the highway near made the investigation, reported. | the little folks.

Fire, starting around a kitchen damage to his car from the owner flue, destroyed a six-room tenant the animal and unless the owner on the farm of Oscar Peel near claimed it within a few days to go Williamston on Highway 17 last limited to distribution in the Gardner Williams, the accident High School, Professor Jack But-

A strong wind sent the fire through the house in a hurry and would have to be shelled and that liamston on the Hamilton Road on lowing the P.-T. A. meeting last barn, about 100 yards away, was burlap or cotton bags should be September 30, 1925. He spent his fired by sparks from the burning used. However, the leaders de- early life there, but lived most of

The loss, estimated at between \$5,000 and \$6,000, was not covered donation of corn by anyone who served in Germany some time, instrument fund recently providby insurance.

A Washington Hospital Fire Destroys Small

His condition becoming suddenly worse last Saturday afternoon, Mr. Chas. Davenport, weil known Jamesvilla same removed a short time later to a Washington acres in the home tract sold for described as serious this morning. Friday night. tract of about 82.5 acres brought transfusions yesterday and was said to be some brighter early today after a fairly restful night.

ROUND-UP

Peace and quiet, reigning over the Thanksgiving holiday, was, for the most part, maintained in this area over the week-end. Reports from the office of the sheriff state that only five persons were arrested and detained during the period, two for assault, two for drunkenness and one for breaking and entering.

Three of the five were colored. Ages of the five ranged from 17 to 48 years.

Lays First Brick For Hospital Another Series Santa Pauses In Farmers Pour Corn On County Roads To Williamston Into Friendship Car

The Top In First Day Of The Drive

Canvass By Latter Part of Week

liams, young colored man, liter- cessfully made the first ilight by words the canvassers of the varially "flew" out of Mobley's fill- plane yesterday from the North ous townships in Martin County Ing station in Everetts last Thurs- Pole to New York where he is went "after the corn" for the day night and tried to climb a adding more to his pack and CROP Friendship train early yestelephone pole with his 1939 Chev- building up more steam for the terday morning and by last night rolet. Investigating the accident, last lap of the journey. Old Santa County Chairman Mayo Hardison Patrolman R. P. Narron said that, will be met at the corner of Main said that Poplar Point had more Williams literally jumped across and Haughton Streets by Wil- than doubled the 50-bushel quota the road to the left, swerved back liamston's High School band at assigned to it last Friday night at to the right, and jumped to the 4:25 o'clock Thursday afternoon a county-wide meeting of workleft with a certain aim at the pole. and continue his ride on a town ers in the courthouse in Williams-

booked for operating a motor ve- favors and receive letters from the Hollis reported as leaders of the hicle without a driver's license kiddies. Special arrangements drive in Poplar Point. Other reand for careless and reckless driv- have been made to air mail the ports were being turned in as letters immediately so as to have the hours passed and there ap-Last Saturday afternoon about the orders in hand in ample time peared no doubt this morning that the county would more than fill His work here completed, Santa its original quota of 750 bushels will start the return journey by Thursday night or Friday noon ton on Highway 125 when James northward, leaving the final de- at the latest, allowing some time

750 bushels. Although pamphlets and other ond car seemed to have swerved items explaining the need of the toward them. Williams pushed House and Barn desperate people overseas was of his sister almost out of the path fered the leaders in the drive, it of the approaching car and took was generally agreed that most the full blow himself. The driver of the people in the county real- of the death car was detained, reof the hog, was advised to butcher house and a tobacco curing barn ized the need for the corn and the ports reaching here stated. use of the literature was to be The son of Lonnie W. and Ada Green Wave Band of Williamston schools of the county.

> shelling or eaching hold back the until he entered the service. He had added to the band with the willing to donate it.

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The small two-room house owned by James Brown and occupied by Elijah Sheppard, just off Elm Branch Baptist Church near out. Over \$700.00 was invested in Street near the Shiloh Baptist Jamesville and his pastor, Rev. Church, was destroyed by fire last W. B. Harrington, is conducting Said to have started around the

flue, the fire spread rapidly and in the Tyre Cemetery in Williams the house was enveloped in fiames Township. by the time firemen reached there. The house was a total loss, but are two brothers, E. H. Williams was covered by \$800 insurance, of Griffins Township and James Fire Chief G. P. Hall said. It could Williams of Norfolk; and four sisnot be learned if insurance was ters, Mrs. Garfield Mobley, Mrs. carried on the contents, reports Ray O'Neal and Miss Louise Wil-

Local Man Continues

W. H. Williams, local man, continues ill in a Rocky Mount hosfor about six weeks. He was rewithin a week or two.

TOY COLLECTION

Making ready to provide a real Christmas spirit for the less fortunate little folks of Williamston and community, the local Jaycees will make a canvass of the town next Sunday afternoon for discarded toys it was announced today by Chairman Jesse Sumner.

The canvass is to get under way at 2:00 o'clock and thoughtful persons are earnestly urged to package toys and other articles they may spare and place them on the porches for the canvassers.

The Jaycee plan will afford about the spark for a goodly number of little tots this Christmas, it was pointed out. and all are asked to cooperate with the Jaycees in making the movement an enjoy-

Joshua Williams Killed In Road Accident Sunday

Near Norfolk Early That Morning

for the first time this season about donated. They set up quotas as a liams, 24, was killed almost in- regulations. If the farmer is not minimum figure to hit at for each stantly and his sister, Mrs. B. S. satisfied with the review commit-Just recently out of the hospital, township. Williamston and Rob- Lupton, suffered a leg injury tee's decision, he may, within 15 o'clock, Ray Evans, young Green- J. S. Ayers, chairman of the de- ersonville Townships were assign- when they were run down on Vir- days, institute proceedings for a ville white man, lost control of the coration committee, is stringing ed 100-bushel goals, Williams and ginia Beach Boulevard, about five review of the case by a court. borrowed 1946 Ford he was driv- lights down each side of the street Poplar Point were asked for half miles out of Norfolk at 1:30 If the cotton referendum fails ing and wrecked it on a road be- and will spot several stars on that amount each, the other town- o'clock Sunday morning. A na- of passage on December 15, the ship quotas were set at 75 bushels. tive of this county, Williams was Department of Agriculture will Professor Jack Butler and his Although a number of plans are struck by a car whose driver was support prices only at the rate of decided to set up not definite ar- juries. Picked up by other motor- of parity loans on all cotton they The kiddies who have not writ- rangement for the county but to ists, he died before reaching a hos- produce next year.

for Martin County's part in the a restaurant, that Joshua and the program. This would be about sister got out and walked around the car, that the driver of the sec-

victim was born on the Cherry It was emphasized that the corn farm about two miles from Wilclared, they would not let lack of the time in the Jamesville section parents three new instruments he could not shell or bag it but was and following his discharge, returned home to spend a short

tending a GI school in refrigera- out with a few notes from the new tion at Chicago. Finishing the bass saxuphone and Jimmie Page Home On Elm Street school there, he returned home and last February accepted a posi-

He was a member of the Codar the last rites there this afternoon They will add tremendously to the at 2:30 o'clock. Interment will be

Surviving besides his parents stating that very little was saved. liams, all of Jamesville, and Mrs. B. S. Lupton of Norfolk,

Ill In the Hospital Continues Quite Ill In The Hospital Here

In declining health for some pital where he has been a patient time, Mr. Kenneth Roberson, 85, cording to last reports.

Will Mail Cotton Acreage Quota to County's Farmers

Vote on Control Plan For Cotton Crop Thursday, December 15th

The approximately 924 cotton farmers in this county will receive their acreage allotments for 1950 about the latter part of this or early next week, according to a eport coming from the Triple A

Final figures could not be had timated that the 924 cotton farmacreage, and possibly about equal, tually planted in the county in each of the past several years, in-

Farmers will vote on quotas for 1950 on December 15, and any one who planted cotton last year is entitled to participate in the referabout eligibility, the farmer may

with his allotment and thinks he ceived notice of his quota by mail Young Man's Sister Injured committee of three farmers, appointed by the Secretary of Agri-

lished by vote, on the 1950 crop

Banquet, Concert On Band Agenda

The annual Christmas banquet on December 10 in the Woman's Club and the annual concert and anniversary program tentatively set for next March 10 are the two ler, director, explained to a meet-

got right lively with some music on the new tenor sax. Rondell Beach displayed the row execut the instruments shown and others are to come later, Mr. Butler said. tone range of the band.

With all committees reporting that the plans for the banquet are proceeding according to plan, Mr. Butler gave some details of the planned concert next March. It will be one of the most ambitious musical programs ever attempted by the young musicians, he said, including some difficult numbers that are going to call for a lot of

hard work. Emphasis was again placed on practice at home and on the care of instruments, the professor remarking that some of the students entered the local hospital last Sat- are abusing their horns and payported this morning to be holding urday for an aggravated heart ing none too much attention to his own, and that it is possible he condition. Semi-conscious, Mr. how and when they practice. The would be able to return home Roberson continues quite ill, ac- cooperation of parents in this mat-