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**Prominent Figure In Primi-**

tive Baptist Church for

Almost Forty Year

Elder Ben S. Cowin, prominent

leader in the Primitive Baptist

## New Political Race Twenty-Three In Call Forty-six Cases Handle Ten Cases Prominent Minister County Court On In Recorder's Court In Past Few Days Dies In The County Aggravated Motorist De-Luther Hardison **Defendant Indicted for Not Fines Amount To Funeral Today In** DAMAGED CENTER SITE clares North Carolina Is **Dimming Lights On His** DIES AT HOME **Contesting Corey** Holding 'Em Up **Motor** Vehicle Nearly \$1,000 At **Bear Grass Church** Representatives of Cold weather and pests are the Twenty-three motorists, charg-Williamston's three justices of **For State House** said to have beat the blue State Board of Health are d with exceeding the speed lim-For Ben S. Cowin

• Two Have Announced For **Two District Seats In** The State Senate

Remaining fairly quiet for the most part during recent weeks. politics is beginning to warm up in this county. The business has reached no record on the political thermometer by any means, but a new race within the county family was created this week and repeated rumblings are being heard. On the other hand, several offices are still going begging, possibly not for a want of aspirants but because of delayed political strategy.

The second political race within the county was created when Mr. Luther Hardison, native of a Griffins Township and a resident of Jamesville for many years before locating in Williamston, an- teaching profession for a number nounced his candidacy for Mar- of years, was this week elected tin County Representative in the superintendent of the Hertford North Carolina General Assem- County Schools, according to inbly, subject to the democratic primary on May 27. The new candidate explained that he would release a prepared statement within Wndsor schools to enter upon his the next few days.

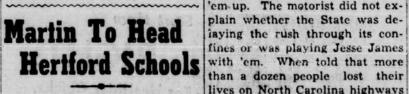
A. Corey, Jamesville man, this week formally announced his candidacy to succeed himself as county representative and offered fore going to Northampton and a brief statement supporting his later into military service. He candidacy

No official announcement has en of, Williamston and Jimmy schools. Wallace, professor in the Robersonville schools and a native of list of more than fifteen who Danville, Ky., James Henry Sty-Jamesville, are considering enter-House

Three, Messrs. F. W. Holliday, cent death of J .R. Brown. Cecil Powell and Ernest Edmondson, have announced their can- election, Superintendent of Berdidacies to succeed themselves as tie County Schools John L. Du-

mold to many tobacco beds in this county. Many plants were killed by the cold weather the early part of last week, but a worm, hardly larger than a hair, is said to be causing even greater dam-

Farmers Henry Early and the Smith Brothers of the Palmyra section report that entire beds have been wiped out by the worm, that some farmers had just recently resoeded their plant beds. Present prospects point to a plant shortage, they said.



Russell P. Martin, native of Jamesville and a member of the ly shrug their shoulders and good as say, so what! Several of the defendants in the formation received here. He is

resigning as principal of the ed" at around 65 miles per hour. new duties on or about April 1. Mr. Martin taught in the James-

ville and Farm Life Schools in this county about six years behas been in Windsor almost four

been made, but Mayor Robt. Cow- is principal of the Robersonville Mr. Martin was chosen from a

were considered for the position, ing the race for a seat in the it was learned. He is filling the position made vacant by the re-

Commenting on Mr. Martin's

here from Raleigh this mornits on highways in this county, ing inspecting possible sites were docketed in the Martin Refor a county health center. corder's Court last Monday. Any number of sites are be-Twenty-three convictions were ing inspected, including one scored and fines imposed amounton East Main Street just ed to \$175. Most of the speeders across the way from the G. P. got off by paying only the costs, Halls, another on North but those who dared travel fast-Haughton Street, still another er than 65 miles per hour were on Ray Street, and others. fined from \$15 to \$25, according It has been proposed to conto the speed they were traveling

struct a \$50,000 center, the when checked by members of the State and federal government furnishing a greater part of One irate motorist talked real the money for the project. ugly when detained and declared

that North Carolina was holding 'em-up. The motorist did not ex- Green Wave Band plain whether the State was deiaying the rush through its con-fines or was playing Jesse James Presents Concert Court:

last week-end, the speeders mere- Varied and Entertaining **Program Being Arrang-**

court this week were charged With rehearsals being held each May 1. with exceeding the limit in the night this week, plans were anfor the third annual concert of the gambling house was dismissed. ly with the \$22.05 costs, include ditorium tomorrow (Friday) eve- months for violating the liquor ning at 8:15.

for the main program.

ons of Plymouth, Jimmie Carring-

ford, Conn., Virginia White Tran- Band opens with a march, "Men suspended upon the payment of son of Boonville, Charles E. Can- of Ohio" by Fillmore and a light a \$35 fine and costs. The de-

Monday's Session

Are Charged With Exceeding Speed Limit

Idle last week when the judge the following cases: was sick the Martin County Recorder's Court worked all day last Monday clearing its docket. Judge Chas. H. Manning and backed his vehicle into another on Solicitor Paul D. Roberson han- the highway at the G and H plant dled forty-six cases, including last Saturday evening.

twenty-three in which the defendants were charged with the roads for thirty days for disspeeding. Fines imposed at the orderly conduct and disturbing the peace. The road term was suspended upon the payment of a \$10 th fine and \$5.85 costs. James Edward Lee was taxed Willie M. Harden of Greenville

with 'em. When told that more than a dozen people lost their Tomorrow Night Willie M. Harden of Greenville with \$5.85 costs for not dimming than a dozen people lost their Tomorrow Night costs for operating a motor ve- the lights on his car.

Charged with failing to give hicle without a driver's license. Charged with drunken driv- right of way and making a left ing, Norman Hollis and G. T. turn in front of traffic, Robert Bailey called for jury trials and Earl Sheppard was fined \$10 and their cases are to be heard on required to pay \$5.85 costs. Henry Biggs and William Ar

thur Smallwood, charged with im-The case charging James Arnounced this morning as complete thur Perkins with operating a proper parking on the highways, the \$5.85 costs.

In a second case, Perkins was sen-In the case charging Jasper tenced to the roads for six Chance and Eunice Odom with an affray, Chance was sentenced to laws. Execution of the sentence

the roads for thirty days. The Although illness and other com- was suspended upon the payment road term was suspended for Curtis David Bullock of Green- plications have hindered prepera- of a \$50 fine and costs. Perkins twelve months upon the condition ville, Silvio Fleischer of Spring- tions for the event, the director, was ordered to close his place of that he provide for his family and ment last longer. The life of a field, Ohio, Barney Lester Faulk Professor Jack Butler, stated to- business on Highway 64 near pay the court costs. The Odom tractor and equipment depends of Newport News, Hayward Le- day that a varied and entertain- Parmele and violate no liquor defendant was sentenced to jail upon the proper care and maining program has been developed law during the next two years. for 30 days, the court suspending tenance the operator gives it. In ton, William Allison of Washing- for the band's spring appearance. A nol pros was taken by the the term on condition that she order to help the farmer better

ton, LeRoy Sanders Lancaster of of its members, the Junior Band gene Rawls with operating a mo-Wilson, John Hopkins Setliff of will not appear as had been plan-tor vehicle after his license had Leo Towns, drunk an will not appear as had been plan- tor vehicle after his license had Leo Towns, drunk and disorder- nance a tractor maintenance ned but the beginners' group will been revoked. play several short numbers while Pleading not guilty of resisting \$6.50 costs in Justice John L. Has- Life an dBear Grass and Oak City ton Hawkins of Route 1, Stokes, the Senior Band is getting ready arrest Tim Towns was found sell's court.

In Justice C. R. Mobley's court, guilty and drew six months on The program of the Senior the roads. The road term was Oliver Raymond Rogers, charged of agricultural engineering at N. Grass in 1903, and was licensed in (Continued on page six)

the peace handled ten cases in their courts during the past few days. One defendant was in the Twenty - three Defendants court for not dimming the lights

on his vehicle when approaching another machine Justice R. T. Johnson handled

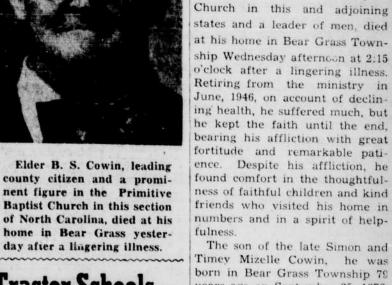
Charged with violating the traffic laws, James Ramsey, Jr., of Washington, appealed to the county court. He was said to have Aaron Biggs was sentenced to

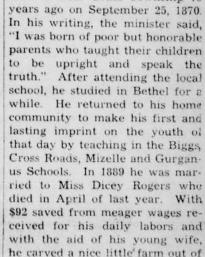
> Elder B. S. Cowin, leading county citizen and a prominent figure in the Primitive **Baptist Church in this section** of North Carolina, died at his home in Bear Grass yester-

## **Tractor Schools Slated In County**

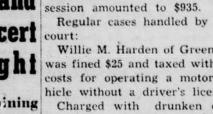
Farming is becoming more mechanized each year. The farmer is confronted with the problem of making his tractor and equip-Because of the illness of many State in the case charging Eu- leave and remain out of this coun- acquaint himself with the problems of proper care and mainte-Communities.

ly, was fined \$5 and taxed with school is planned for the Farm he carved a nice little farm out of a wooded wilderness, settling down to a long and useful life. Mr. J. C. Ferguson, in charge





He joined the church at Beau C. State College, will conduct a 1908. He preached his first sertractor maintenance school in mon 41 year ago, the 21st of this



ed To Start at 8:15

35-mile zones. In other areas most of the speeders were "clock-Those defendants who pleaded Williamston High School Green guilty and who were taxed mere- Wave band in the high school au-

Charlie Parker of Greenville, years. A brother, C. B, Martijn, Roy Moore of Route 2, Williams-

Abe Amdusky of Portsmouth. William A. Murphy of Stam-

tell, Jr., navy pilot of New York,

highway patrol.

the following:

of the Martin County pree said, in part: Board of Education. "All of Russell Martin's friends,

A race is likely to develop for I am sure, will join me in wishing tina of Clifton, N. J., Joseph Soldier" is the third number on ing guilty of an assault and nonone of the places on the board of him the very best results in his education, unofficial reports stat- new work in our neighbor coun- uel Havelock of Brooklyn, Robert Gay-Yoder is a description musing that Howard Gaylord of 17 of Horifard, Ha bas dated James, ille is considering running. very fine job in his nearly four

Then there is the sheriff's race, years in Windsor and it seems reports indicating that it is grad- that everyone who knows him, ally gaining momentum with the loves him. We hate to lose a man randidates, Henry A. Johnson and of his calibre from the Bertie M. W. (Buck) Holloman earnestly County school system, but we do shaking the bushes down to the not feel that we should stand in last vote.

While it is likely that present comes for advancement. officers in the other county positions will be candidates to succeed tarians recently made him 'Rothemselves they have not as yet tarian of the Year'-it shows how formally announced their inten- much he is appreciated in Windtions sor, where he has made his home

On the district political front, for some four years. Hugh G. Horton, local attorney and former representative from this county and State senator, and Plan Drive For O. L. Williams. Hyde County attorney and solicitor of the recorder's court at Swan Quarter, have announced their candidacies for the two seats alotted the seven counties in this area in the State Senate. It could not be learned if Senator Sam Campen of Pamlico County will announce to succeed himself for a second term. Filing time opens in this coun-

ty on March 25.

## DELAYED

Work on surfacing several local streets, started earlier this week, was interrupted Tuesday afternoon by rain and this morning by freezing temperatures. It isn't likely now that the project, including resurfacing of those portions of Highways 17 and 64 within the town limits and surfacing of several the block on Smtihwick and Liberty Streets, will be completed before the latter part of next week.

During the meantime. business houses are fighting a hectic battle of the Tar. Sawdust and shavings are being used on floors to pick up the tar tracked from the treets into the choice

overture, "Bagdad" Fordon Robert Fisher, navy pilot Buchtel follows.

Wrona of Amityville, N. Y., Sam- the program. This number by support, was sentenced to the Sari Whiten of 200 iston, Wil- catty a day in the of a liam Seth Owens of Williamston, soldier. Minuet from "Berenice" to serve the sentence if he pays and Albert Winkel of New York by Handel and arranged by Rob- the court costs and \$4 a week for were each fined \$15, plus costs. erts follows. Then will come the Pleading not guilty, Stewart E. "Lieutenant Commander" march



Approximately 14 percent persons applying for licenses to drive in 1949 failed their examinations, the Department of Motor Vehicles reported today.

Of . 516,378 applicants, 74,474 The Cancer Fund while 441,904 were successful. Persons who previously had held licenses failed to pass the

following portions of the tests Preliminary plans for advancing a cancer fund drive in this given applicants: signs, 10,219; county have been formulated, and eyes, 5,295; rules, 10,725; road the goal and date are to be an- test, 0,984; equipment, 828. Pernounced shortly, according to in- sons applying for licenses for the formation released yesterday by first time failed for the following Mrs. H. L. Swain, president of the reasons: signs, 8,585; eyes, 2,678; Williamston Woman's Club, the rules, 9,558; road test, 12,940; equipment, 606. Miscellaneous sponsoring organization.

Mrs. Neil Ripley and Mrs. Herreasons caused the failure of the bert Whitley have been named coremainder of the applicants.

commanders, and Rev. N. J. Ward is the drive chairman, it was an-**Missing Youth Is** nounced.



Taylor, 11 years old, was found Critically injured when his in the home of a relative in Norsmall truck turned over between folk late Tuesday night. here and Windsor last Wednes- Reporting for school Reporting for school at the day evening, M. D. Corey, fargrammar building Monday mornmer of near Williamston, was reing, the lad left his books and ported to be improving in the wandered away. After playing year. local hospital this morning. It around the river front a short The club also voted to give \$175

could not be learned when he while, the bay is believed to have toward the erection of three tenwould be able to return to his hitchiked to Norfolk, but noth- nis courts which are badly needed

Found In Norfolk

home. The farmer, traveling alone father went there late Tuesday ed on the high school grounds the Martin County courthouse between \$40 and \$50. at the time of the accident, suf- and found him.

fered a neck injury and one or A search was conducted in the open to the general public. two broken ribs, shock and river area here most of Monday The fellowship award was won p. m. to assist State income tax- by Wiggins who was driving up is maked the had ..... and alght by all same do then

by Forrest fendant is to violate no crimina law during the next two years.

reads for size oths. He is not

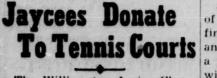
the support of his child. Reuben Spruill pleaded guilty

by King; "Pavanne", Gould-Yod- and was fined \$25, plus costs, for er; "Russian Choral and Over. careless and reckless driving. ture" based on Tchaiskovsky's Pleading not guilty, Edgar Opus 39, No. 24 and Russian Folk Hopewell was found guilty of town stores for collecting money. Tunes as arranged by Merle J. passing a school bus and was Isaac; "Memories of Stephen Fos- fined \$50 and required to pay the ter" as arranged by Holmes, a court costs.

brass sextet with Rachel Chesson, Henry Brown was fined \$25 test ends Friday, April 6, between Goff, baritone, Raymond Robert- operate a motor vehicle. son, cornet and either Don Reyn-

olds or Bobby Clayton, trumpet. ing guilty of careless and reck-Following the brass sextet will less driving, was fined \$25 and failed to obtain their licenses be an intermezzo-scene by Albert taxed with the costs. W. Ketelbey, "In a Persian Mar-The case charging Clarence Coffield and Rita May Perkins ket" then "Stouthearted Men," a

with fornication and adultery, (Continued on page six) was dismissed.



The Williamston Junior Chamber of Commerce held its regular missed. House Boat Friday night at 7 o'clock.

dinner was served by Bernard guilty. Harrison and was enjoyed by a very large attendance.

Immediately following the meal ing, pleaded guilty and was fined a short informal business meeting \$25 and required to pay the costs. Minor Accident Missing from his home here was held. The club heard a resince Monday morning, Alton port by Wheeler Manning, ticket reckless driving, W. L. Godard chairman of the Jaycee Jollies.

The minstrel was a big success, the club netting approximately ed \$25 and taxed with the costs \$175.00 for the underprivileged for operating a motor vehicle children's fund . . . a big increase

over the minstrel presented last

ing was heard from him until his here. These courts will be crectsometime this month and will be next Monday, Tuesday and Wed- Davis was driving across the City, executive of Ruitan, discuss

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**Seniors Sponsor** 

The Senior Class of William The held in the Oak City school at preached nearly 500 funerals, re High School is sponsoring a baby 7:30 o'clock that night. contest to raise money for pay-

ment of their annual, The Skeed in tractors are invited to -atwarkee. Each member of the class tend.-Jesse W. Sumner, county will sponsor a baby and obtain assistant agent.

votes will be crowned the King and jars will be put in the down-**Junior Order Is** The boys and girl with the most votes wil be crowned the King Reorganized Here and Queen of Easter. This con-

trombone. Asa Manning, French and taxed with the costs for al- the first and second acts of the United American Mechanics, was horn, Joe Robertson, bass, Warren lowing an unlicensed driver to Senior Class Play and they will reorganized at a meeting of the be crowned and receive prizes at membership held in the Masonic William Burnett Jenkins, plead- that time.



Daniels, vice councilor; Jesse W Rev. C. F. Hirschi, of Windsor, Curtis, recording secretary; Ed-Adjudged guilty over his plea will again be with the Methodist win Powell, assistant recording of innocence, James Edwards was Youth Fellowship Sunday evening secretary; M. W. Holloman, finanfined \$100, taxed with the costs at 6:00 o'clock to lead a discussion cial secretary; Wm. Cecil Brown, To Tennis Courts and lost his driver's license for of "Boy and Girl Friendships." assistant financial secretary; Roy a year in the case charging him The young people were very en-McClees, treasurer; J. H. Harrell,

with drunken driving. The drunken driving charge a- Mr. Hirschi led two weeks ago tor; L. V. Chesson, Jr., warden; dinner meeting at the Firemen's against Johnnie Harris was dis- and it is expected that the next LeRoy Savage, inside sentinel:

ession will be even better. Charlie Heath, charged with All youth of the town who are A delicious barbecued chicken drunken driving, was found not not in a youth meeting at 6:00 tee for eighteen months; J. B.

o'clock Sunday evening are invit- Bell, trustee 'for twelve months; Robert Andrews, Jr., charged ed to attend.

with careless and reckless driv-

Pleading guilty of carcless and At was fined \$50, plus costs.

Intersection Proposing Club William David Brown was fin-No one was hurt and little damage resulted when cars driven by Raymond D. Davis and James C.

(Continued on page six) To Assist Taxpayers In Filing State Income Taxes

Deputy Collector E. Ross Froneberger will be in his office in tion. Damage was estimated at

1 Main MUNICE MENTIONS

he Farm Life School gymnasium month, the event marking the benext Tuesday morning at 9:00 o'- ginning of a service that has hardclock. The second school will be ly been equalled in this section. Special Contest held in the Bear Grass gymnas-ium that afternoon at 2:00 o'- served in the ministry, he met clock, and the third school will right at 3 000 milnit and

The local council, Junior Order

Edgar M. Delamar, Sr., trustee for

The council will hold its next

For Cross Roads

A special meeting of all men in

All men are urged to attend and

hear Mr. Elgin White of Elizabeth

the Everetts-Cross Roads school

district has been called for Fri-

meeting on March 21, at 7:30

son presided.

named

six months.

o'elock p. m.

ceived hundreds into the church All farmers owning or interest- and married many couples. His home visitations, extending to all homes, were welcomed at all times, and his humble but sound advice was cherished by many outside his own church as well as within. His home, always open to friend and stranger alike, was a bulwark in the Faith he professed and admirably exemplified in his daily walk through life. Thous ands, in the course of the years, found refuge and friendship there. and all were better for having went there.

hall Tuesday evening. In the ab-He possessed few of the wordsence of the councilor, R. T. Johnly goods, but he leaves a rich itual heritage that will have its The following officers were influence on men for years to R. T. Johnson councilor; Ben B.

His labors, while centered mainly in the churches in this immediate section, were extended to areas all over castern Carolina and other states where he was highly regarded as a churchman

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Assaults on limb and property by motorists on the highways in this county continue with the dangerous business gaining momentum. So far no one has been killed on the highways in this county even though there have been 26 vehicle accidents.

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.

9th Week

Accidents Inj'd Killed Dam'ge 1950 4 3 0 \$ 1,700 0 0 1949 0 00 **Comparisons** To Date

1950 26 15 0 Similar clubs are active in all 5.840

Wiggins crashed at the Main-Watts intersection here early last Tuesday night, according to Officers Arthur Perry and Verble day night, March 10, at 8 o'clock

Jones who made the investiga- in the school building.

nesday from 8:30 a. m. until 5:30 main street and his car was hit plans for an organization.

thusiastic over the session which chaplain; Jack Sullivan, conduc-