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Series Of Wrecks · On County Roads In Past Few Days

No One Seriously Hurt When Three Cars Go Out Of Control, Turn Over

No one was believed to have been badly hurt but the property damage mounted when three cars went out of control on the highways in this county and turned

over during the week-end. Driving his daddy's 1949 Dodge, Worris Roosevelt Black, 16-yearold colored boy, literally tore out of a dirt road and overshot Highway 64, a few miles east of Robersonville last Sunday morning about 11:20 o'clock. Continuing across the highway, the boy rode the car into an Irish potato field where it came to a stop after turning over twice and doing about \$350 damage, according to an estimate released by Patrolman B. W. Parker who made the investiga-

Driving his 1939 Ford on a dirt from the Mobley mill in Cross Roads Township early Sunday afernoon, Cecil Edward Scott of Bear Grass lost control of ed. Investigating the accident, lems were ahead. Patrolman B. W. Parker estimated the property damage at \$150.

lision with another car on High- Changes in 1949.

car back on the pavement and the of balance in world trade. machine went to the left and The fall of imports into the place resorted to the hammer.

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Yeggs Crack Safe In Robersonville

Robbers, believed to have been Busses Will Start amateurs but possibly connected with a little crime wave that has swept several counties in this section of the State during recent weeks, entered the Anderson ersonville early last Thursday map in the big display window of morning and cracked the safe.

ville's chief of police, William Smith, that approximately \$200 on the "On To Charlotte" drive of in cash was taken from the four- the Lions Club will start moving foot iron safe.

store.

Forcing an entrance through a go next Sunday week.

investigation. Sunday night another car skid- moving the tickets. ded on Highway 64 between Wil- Full details of Saturday's plans liamston and Jamesville and came as well as more about the concert Mount hospital yesterday for persons were arrested during the quor. The second plant was hot, hospital for several weeks, Dr. W. University of North Carolina, sented the State. Judge Bone rulto a stop with the rear end in a Tuesday night and the Charlotte treatment and possibly an opera- month. no one was hurt.

Road Program Goes Foward In County

DRAFT

Eugene Rice, chairman of the Martin County Draft Board, reminds all youths to register upon attaining their eighteenth birthday for possible draft service in the armed forces.

Registrations are handled each day in the Red Cross office, third floor of Williamston's town hall, between the hours of 9:30 a. m. and 12:00 o'clock, noon, and from 2 to 3

United Nations Review World's **Economic Change**

road near Gurganus' store not far Pent-up Demand Running was also explained that six pro-Out and Long-term Problems Are Just Ahead

Lake Success, N. Y .- The the machine when the right steer- world's economic machinery was ing rod came loose. The car went running high gear during 1949, into a ditch and turned over, in- but its short-term fuel of reconjuring Scott's back. After receiv- struction of war damage, reconing treatment in the Robersonville version and pent-up demand was Clinic, the young man was releas- running out and long-term prob-

The evaluation was made by the United Nations Department John Daniel Suits, 26-year-old of Economic Affairs in a report Oak City man, wrecked his car to the U. N. Economic and Social Sunday evening about 7:00 o'clock Council, now meeting here. The \$150,000 is to be spent for stabil- few cases where more than ordiwhen he ditched it to avoid a col- report is entitled Major Economic izing roads. There'll be a balance nary demands were made of them.

Williamston. Suits, driving a 1940 of reconstruction and reconvers- possibly ten or fifteen miles of daily, Sundays and holidays, in-Chevrolet, was following a Chev- ion," the report points out, "has additional black topping. rolet. A third car started to pass provided a new setting against Approximately 32 miles of black more years. Without their assistand was forced into the path of which the long-term problems of top roads are already included in ance we would not have the inforthe Suits car by an approaching full employment, economic devel- the program. It is proposed to mation we now have about the machine. Suits drove onto the soft opment and equilibrium in inter- blacktop the road from Bear climatology of North Carolina or

trolman M. F. Powers who made the following state-state that long-term adjustments in Meeting a car traveling in the world production and trade are cross Roads via Bear Grass to of the Weather Burgan is one of the Weath niddle of the road, Robt. H. Stall- needed, for they are at the root Everetts would be contracted ings of Scotland Neck drove his of such problems as the "dollar within the near future, certaibly 1936 Ford coupe to the right shortage." But during 1949, a de- sometime this summer. He also ever developed anywhere." It shoulder near Sweet Water Creek cline in imports into the United said that the road program could really is a remarkable service. hidge on Highway 64 Sunday af- States, the leading hard-currency be expected to advance more ternoon at 3:15 o'clock. He lost country, produced a chain of rapidly during the next several many people, in all parts of the control when he tried to steer the events which aggravated the lack

down an embankment, coming to United States, the report says, rea stop after turning over. No one duced the flow of dollars to the was hurt and damage was limited rest of the world and wiped out al bits, taken from the store stock, made toward restoring "normal". were broken and the robbers then balanced trade relationships. By with a sledge hammer. The rob- to a wave of currency devalua- centering around roads. bers tried to use an acetylene tions . . ." New restrictions by Dallas Holliday was appointed of the importing countries. But term by right of the ballot.

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Across Map Soon

As soon as Johnny Philpot can Hardware Company store in Rob- put the mileage markers on the the Watts Theatre on Main Street noon today for burial. Final rites It was reported by Roberson- here the two tiny busses that are time, but interment will be in the to serve as indicators of progress along from Williamston to Char-Nothing else was missed from the lotte just as the Green Wave Band after a short illness. She was a of Williamston High School is to

side door shortly after midnight. The real big push of the drive spent her early life here. Thursday, the robbers tried to to sell tickets to the big drill, show to about \$50, according to Pa- and concert at the ball park next trolman J. T. Rowe who made the Tuesday night will come on Saturday but already many Lions are

ditch. No damage resulted and trip itself will be released Thurs- tion. He made the trip there in a Officer Roebuck explained that their activities and quit the still pected home the early part of next the bachelor of arts degree at and sustained the \$5,000 figure reday morning.

County Officials Hold An All-Day **Meeting Monday**

Work Going Forward On Six Road Projects At The Present Time

Members of the Martin County Board of Commissioners in their regular monthly meeting Monday were advised by authorities that the road program is going forward rapidly in this county, that the progress is keeping pace with the over-all program in other counties

Pointing out that other counies seem to have many more projects in the leetings, the commissioners were advised that the projects let to date in this county were larger than those in most counties. It jects were in progress in this county at the present time, including under general contract and four by State forces.

Reviewing the program proposed for this county, District climatology of North Carolina has uncollected taxes, to be raised by Shelton said that the county had records kept by a large number \$1.30 will be needed as compared first 125 million dollars of bond over a period of more than 60 sessed property valuation for earmarked for approximately 91 operated with the Weather Bumiles of black top road. Of the reau are referred to as coopera-\$100,000 initial allocation for road tive or voluntary weather observway 17, about two miles south of "The end of the post-war period for future projects, including ers have read their instruments welfare costs and fixed bonded places the cost per death at ap-

shoulder and his car turned over, national trade and finance need to doing about \$250 damage, accord- be reevaluated."

Grass to Corey's cross Roads, the for that matter of the United States. Several years ago the office \$10.215.00; election costs, \$6,740.00; sheriff's Collection costs, \$6, doing about \$250 damage, according to information released by Paling to in months.

Accompanied by district high. time to make the necessary observate way engineers, Mr. Shelton at- vations and reports every day in court's office. \$8,330,00 (it was unconducted by the court's office. \$8,330,00 (it was unconducted by the court's office. \$8,330,00 (it was unconducted by the court's office. tended a meeting of the James- the year, and year after year, ville Ruritan Club Monday evening where the widening of highdrill out the combination. Sever- many of the gains that had been Washington County line was dis- Bureau has been furnishing cussed.

Continuing in session until 6:00 rolled the 1,000-pound safe about the end of the year, the "acute o'clock, the commissioners handlforty or fifty feet to the machine post-war disequilibrium in inter- ed little business other than that shop and knocked the hinges off national transactions . . . gave rise of a routine nature and that

torch in the machine shop, but ap- many countries on imports from constable for Jamesville Townparently were not trained in its the United States led to some im- ship until December 4 when he use and after smoking up the provement in the dollar balances is to begin a regular two-year

It was the second safe robbery the effect of devaluation was still R. Linwood Pate was appointed in Robersonville and the third in 'far from clear at the end of the electrical inspector for Martin County in accordance with State Today, the report declares, in- law. He is to receive a minimum dustrially-advanced countries face and 25 cents for each additional the problem of keeping up full unit. The inspection service is employment whenever the auto. to be effective on and after June

H. K. Brown of Washington, on (Continued from page five)

Mrs. Bergman's Body Returned For Burial

The body of Mrs. Stella Ward Bergman was returned here from New York City shortly before family plot in Woodlawn Ceme-

Mrs. Bergman died in a New York hospital a few days ago daughter of the late John D. and

ENTERS HOSPITAL

Mr. John Bland, popular superin- 800 gallons of sugar mash during still. The officers poured out 450 tendant of the Martin County the period and confiscated two gallons of mash and confiscated Biggs amulance.

Head Recognizes

Pays Tribute to Carl Hugh Proposed Budget In This State

The United States Department of Commerce, Weather Bureau, recently recognized its voluntary weather observers, including Carl Hugh Spruill, local man who has faithfully served the Bureau in this State for more than ten years without remuneration.

In addition to that service, Mr. recently he had one day off each month; now he gets two Sundays mas-time, but one or two accepted get. the service without even a word Briefly stated, the budget calls of thanks.

rendered the Weather Bureau, G. To support the appropriations, De Mots, section direction for the county is looking to sources Cost \$74.000.000.00 ing to say:

Highway Commissioner Henry G. been obtained from the weather general taxation. A rate right at The Cost To Martin County been allotted \$937,125 out of the of public service minded people with a rate of \$1.20 per \$100 asmoney, that \$484,200 had been years. Those people who have coof about \$202,925 to be allocated Many of the cooperative observcluding rain or snow for 10, 20, or the most extraordinary services We can hardly conceive of so country, freely giving of their Accompanied by district high- time to make the necessary obser-

> 50 or more years. equipment to persons in selected

some of them for 30, 40, and even

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ROUND-UP

Law enforcement officers had a holiday last week-end as far as making arrests was concerned. The records show that only one person, a 55year-old colored man, was arrested and detained in the county jail during the week-

He was booked for alleged possession of a small quantity of illicit liquor.

erages Control Board by ABC En-

Weather Bureau Board Makes Little Change In Observers' Work 1950-51 Budget For County

\$1.30 Next Year

Salary Schedule Unchanged; Schools and Welfare Boost Rate

Struggling along with figures Spruill has minded the Roanoke running into the hundreds of River bridge as faithfully as any thousands of dollars, the Martin the 1951 session. The petition have obtained a majority, he the treasury had some \$10,000 in bridge-keeper in the nation. Until County Commissioners in special reached County Board of Elec- would have had to poll 2,312 votes cash, that \$72,014.86 of the \$75,session last Thursday held the line in each month. And in addition of operating costs, but yielded in to that he extends willingly a ser- the face of increased needs for vice to logging operators on the schools and welfare department Roanoke and boatmen. Most of activities before tentatively them remember him at Christ- adopting the county's 1950-51 bud-

for appropriations in the amount Recognizing the faithful service of \$469,160 for the new fiscal year, the government, had the follow- other than general taxation for \$205,534, leaving \$263,626, plus In North Carolina The knowledge we have of the \$13,169 to take care of estimated 1949-50. The budget is based on an assessed property valuation of \$21,500,000.00.

Salary schedules were left unstabilization, about \$40,000 had ers. They have served without changed and operating costs were Motor Vehicles estimated today. been spent, that an additional pay, or for only nominal pay, in a pegged at the old figures for most of the departments, but school im- formula worked out from the Naprovements and remodeling work. long delayed, came in along with

The following figures were subcommissioners started lopping off

so on, \$6,925.00; register of deeds For each death there are 256 acoffice, \$9,870.00; coroner, \$250; cidents involving property dam- other timbers in the scaffolding. county jail, including jailer, food age of \$134 each-\$34,304. for prisoners, etc., \$4,685.00; superior court, including \$4,000 for In arriving at its formula, the turn to work the following day. jurors and \$1,000 for stenograph- National Safety Council takes into court's office, \$8,330.00 (it was un- and accidents which it figures are officially learned that \$1,500 pro- never reported to authorities. Inposed for extra help was removed cluded in the total are estimates of from the budget); recorder's medical expense incurred by incourt, \$6,800; juvenile court, \$200; jured persons, insurance costs agents, a Negro home agent, po- year or in later years because of Asher W. Harman. tato specialist, and four clerks, death or disablement. service and retirement, \$12,400; over the 734 in 1948; audit and legal, \$1,050; farm home administration, \$70; veterans' ser- gistration. vice office, \$2,050; county home, \$8,968; county farm, \$4,000; county sanatorium, \$8,920; general assistance, \$6,000. The total for the spection law. departments was \$135,391.00 and priated last year.

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Illicit Liquor Business On

The Decline In The County

the Martin County Alcoholic Bev- ening" economy.

the manufacturing business was just ahead of the officers.

Calls For Rate Of Primary for Representative E. G. (Andy) Anderson, Rober-|primary on May 27 by only 208 sonville tobacconist and business votes. Jimmy Wallace polled 1,- last night, and were advised that man, last week-end petitioned for 186 and Luther Hardison polled it would be necessary to meet

Anderson Calls For Second

a second primary to decide the without a voice in the selection of get estimates and discuss plans for winner of the nomination for a a representative. Mr. Corey, poll- extending sewer lines. seat in the North Carolina State ing 1,760 votes, fell short of a Making his monthly report, House of Representatives during clear majority by 553 votes. To Treasurer Dan Sharpe said that tions Chairman C. D. Carstarphen in the May 27 primary. on Saturday and preparations are being made for holding the con- derson has released a formal of the paving assessment for the test at the bailot boxes in the thir- statement on campaign strategy, current year had been paid. Inteen precincts.

son trailed A. Corey in the first ing the second round.

Vehicle Accidents

Figured At \$704,000

In Past Year

property damage cost North Caro-

lina approximately \$74,000,000

The estimate was based on a

tional Safety Council's publica-

proximately \$88,000.

Highway deaths, injuries and

145 votes, leaving 1,331 electors again next week to consider bud-

but it is certain that there'll be a come from the parking meters Polling 1,552 votes, Mr. Ander- fairly hot but friendly race dur- for the past six weeks was slight-

CALL FOR BIDS

A call for bids for the construction of a second story on the Williamston High School building has been issued, it was learned this week. Plans for other construction are being prepared as rapidly as possible, it was explained.

The bids on the local project are to be opened on Friday, June 23.

during 1949, the Department of **Workmen Injured** In Fall Friday tion, "Accident Facts," which

Four workmen, Carlyle Manning, Robert Grimes, Nathan Mi-The unofficial total of killed in zelle and Warren Goff, were painmitted as estimates before the highway accidents in 1949 was fully but not seriously hurt in a 842. The \$88,000 figure takes into 25-foot fall while working on the consideration that a proportionate Raleigh Harrington home on Lee County commissioners, \$1,720; number of injuries and accidents Street nere last Friday afternoon.

A piece of two-by-four timber This total may be subdivided as with a cross grain, broke, throwing the four into the porch sleepers below.

For each death there are 35 per- Manning, the contractor, sufferof the Weather Bureau is one of courthouse and grounds, includ- sons injured at \$1,090 each-\$38,- ed a three-inch cut in his head. All were badly bruised and scratched when they fell against

> After receiving medical treatment the quartet was able to re-

For The Draft

Youths within the age bracket county farm agent's office, includ- chargeable against motor-vehicle 18-26 are liable for court action ing three white farm agents, a Ne- accident claims, and the value of for failure to register under the gro farm agent ,two white home services lost either during the Selective Service Act, warns Col.

The warning followed an appeal \$17,272; forest fire service, \$2,650; Commissioner L. C. Rosser list- by Eugene Rice, head of the Wilgeneral miscellaneous ,including ed four reasons for the increase of liamston office of the Selective cost of dog vaccinations, library more than 100 fatalities in 1949 Service, to young men from 18 to 26 to continue to register if they haven't already done so.

A "draftless draft" bill, providing a two-year extension of the Killer Released Selective Service law, already has passed the House of Representatives. It provides that registry "An increase of approximately shall continue for that period but compares with \$130,403.12 appro- 100,000 vehicles registered in 1949 bars inductions unless Congress over 1948, bringing the total regis- gives the word.

tration to over one million, saw a Many boys who have reached proportionate increase in use of their 18th birthday have failed to register, Rice pointed out. He also reminded them it would go rather hard on them in event of a na-

County Boys Get College Degrees 19

hours earlier. Although she had for years, walked away from uni- held a formal hearing in his of-

and the others were crude oil bar- ity copper kettle and the other She had made many friends grees at Wake Forest. Jimmy called. Home for years, entered a Rocky gallons of white liquor. Three almost five gallons of white li- A patient in a Rocky Mount ence in science teaching at the and Solicitor Geo. Fountain reprethe operators having finished C. Mercer is improving and is ex- Chapel Hill. Billy Myers received ed that bond should be allowed.

Duke.

Town Officials In Regular Meeting Here Last Night

Discuss Varied Business Calendar: Meet Again Next Week

Williamston's town commissioners discussed a varied business calendar in their regular meeting

Neither Mr. Corey nor Mr. An- been collected, that all but \$91.36

A contract was let to F. E. Butler for the annual town audit, the cost to be \$250 against \$275, the amount asked by the next low Street lights are to be installed

on Biggs Street and Simmons Avenue and a second one on Morrison Street The town is receiving \$7,635 as its share of the highway allotment for streets in 1950-51. The N. C.

that \$329.46 was due as the town's share of the utilities tax. The Civil Aeronauties Administration is surrendering its lease on offices on the second floor of the

Department of Revenue certified

town hall as of June 30. Marion Cobb was elected town clerk-treasurer to succeed Dan Sharpe who is resigning to go with the new hospital as manager the first of next month. Cobb was elected by secret ballot

Clarence Bowen was licensed to operate a taxi as sole owner instead of as a partner.

A survey was ordered for a water line on Perry Street.

A permit was issued to the colored veteran trainees to hold a parade on Washington Street Saturday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock.

Ruling that bells on taxi telephones in the bus station constituted a nuisance late at night, the board ordered the sound cut down with the possibility that they be cut out after a certain hour at night.

Land was deeded to the town for the extension of Roberson Street.

Bids were asked for auto and truck tire service to be submitted next regular meeting for the new

Receiving applications for connections with the new sewer line being installed for the new hospital, the officials delayed action. The line is being laid by the hospital subject to be taken over by the town if a bond election passes. If the bond issue fails of passage, the hospital will be required to bulid a special disposal plant.

In \$5,000 Bond

Edward L. Early, Jr., local Ne gro doctor, charged with killing Odessa Keyes, young colored weman, in his office-home on Washington Street here on May 28, was released from the Martin County jail last Saturday afternoon. The \$5,000 bond was purchased from a bonding company for \$500. He is to appear for trial in the Martin County Superior Court during the week beginning Monday, June

Bond was allowed after Judge Several Martin County young Walter Bone signed a habeas cor-Officers Arthur Perry and Verble seven stills which were operated when they took two plants a few | Funeral services are being con- | Henry D. Harrison, Jr., receiv- Jones and Acting Coroner Billy got their bachelor of science de- there, but the witnesses were not

Leggett, Jr., received the bachelor Defense counsel reviewed the of arts degree, and John E. Pope, evidence offered at a preliminary Jr., received the bachelor of sci- hearing on Monday of last week quired by Justice R. T. Johnson.

Health Nurse Died Last tional emergency. Friday At Tarboro Home Henrietta Mebane, Negro nurse

The illicit liquor business after virtually sidetracked while farmwith the Martin County Health enjoying a flourishing patronage ers were busy locating and trans- Department since last January, in April dwindled to a fairly low planting tobacco plants, adding died at her home in Tarboro last point last month, according to a that possibly the demand slacken- Friday afternoon following a report filed a few days ago with ed a bit in the face of a "tight- stroke of paralysis suffered a few men, after burning the night oil pus writ earlier in the week and The officer assisted by Deputy been in feeble health for several versities and colleges with the fices at Nashville last Saturday forcement Officer J. H. Roebuck. Roy Peel, started the month of weeks, she continued her work sheep skins during the past few morning. Witnesses for the State The business centered around June off with a bang, however, until last Thursday.

1. Increase in motor vehicle re-

4. Repeal of motor vehicle in-

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2. Increase in miles traveled.

3. Increase in population.

Aabrina Gurganus Ward, and on a comparatively small scale. miles south of Robersonville last ducted at her Tarboro home this ed his law degree: Maurice S. Biggs accompanied Sheriff M. W. Three of the stills taken during Thursday. One of the plants was afternoon, and burial will follow Moore, Jr., and Ghurman C. Ange Holloman and the defendant May were small copper outfits equipped with a 100-gallon capac- at Wilson.

In poor health for some time, rels. The officers poured out 1,- was equipped with an oil drum during her work in this county.

IMPROVING

week.