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Local Physician Victim of Suicide Thursday Night

Dr. Edward Early, Jr., Was To Have Been Tried for Murder In September

Edward L. Early, Jr., local Negro doctor, ended his life at his office-home here on Washington Street late last Thursday night...

With few friends and virtually no practice, the doctor had been spending most of the time in Washington, D. C., with his parents...

Shortly before noon, Early ordered two four-ounce bottles of chloroform, and Watts delivered it...

Dr. Early told me that since the death of his secretary he had joined the church, been baptized and had quit smoking...

One of the chloroform bottles delivered by Watts was found capped and under the body...

At 8:00 o'clock that evening, Early called the drug store for more chloroform but the order was refused...

The suicide climaxed what could have been a successful career for the man. Born in Washington, D. C., 34 years ago...

DIESEL

Making trial runs the past two Sundays, the diesel locomotive is just before taking over the rails between Rocky Mount and Tarboro...

Heavy track has replaced the light rails with the exception of few sidings between here and Rocky Mount...

Recent Weather Conditions Aggravate Crop Damages

Crops, materially damaged by excessive rains since the 6th of this month, felt the continued sting of adverse weather conditions over the week-end in this county...

Rainfall, amounting to right at ten inches so far this month, has really soaked the earth, causing many acres of tobacco to flop, south and southeast of Williamston...

Flopped tobacco caused much concern, but farmers recognized there was nothing they could do about it...

SIGNED

A contract for the construction of a second story on Williamston's High School building has been signed by the Hardison Construction Company...

Orders for the materials were placed last week. No completion date is specified in the contract...

Company Reviews Five-Year Period In This Section

Virginia Electric Doubled Its Business In North-eastern Carolina

According to information just released by S. P. Woolford, district manager of the Veeco System in the Albermarle District...

A recent check of the company's records at District headquarters in Williamston disclosed that from June, 1945 to June, 1950, the miles of pole line in the District had increased 105 percent...

Although it was difficult to obtain construction materials during the post war period, Veeco has built over 761 miles of rural line in Albermarle district since June, 1945...

The fellowship prize was awarded to Lion Julian H. Harrell

Removing his shoes to battle the mud and water while priming tobacco in his field near Jamesville last Tuesday, Farmer Colon Martin stepped on a partly submerged lightwood stump and drove a splinter through his foot...

Critically ill following an operation for appendicitis last Thursday morning at 8:00 o'clock, Little Miss Vickie Martin, daughter of Commissioner and Mrs. C. C. Martin of Jamesville, was reported improving in the hospital here this morning...

No One Hurt In Minor Accidents On County Roads

Six Marines Had Only A Short Time To Meet Cherry Pt. Deadline

No one was badly injured, but property damage pushed to a figure well in excess of \$1,000 in two automobile accidents on county highways and streets Sunday afternoon and evening...

Six U. S. Marines, returning from a visit with friends and relatives in Baltimore and Philadelphia and trying to meet a 6:00 o'clock Sunday evening deadline at their base at Cherry Point, escaped injury when their 1948 Chevrolet skidded and went out of control within the Oak City town limits on Highway 125 at 1:30 o'clock Sunday afternoon...

Investigating the accident, Patrolman R. P. Narron said that the car skidded on a curve, ran off the road and turned over on its side in a ditch during a heavy rain...

Officers Installed By the Lions Club Here Thursday

James E. Bullock To Head Club As Its New President

James E. Bullock, along with other new officers and directors were installed by Thomas S. Payne, Lions International Councilor for this district from Washington, during a regular meeting of the organization last Thursday evening...

Investigating the accident, Patrolman J. T. Rowe said that the car was parked about 12 inches from the hardsurface, that the damage to the truck would run about \$300 and that to the car at about \$600...

Minor Wreck On Road In County

Girl Attacked Her Step-Father

Threatened with scalding if she did not report for work in the peanut fields, Mary M. Flowers, 12-year-old colored girl, acted first by attacking her step-father, T. F. Dawson, 50, on a farm on the River Road near Palmyra last Saturday morning...

Damage to the truck was estimated at \$50.

Automobile Catches On Fire Here Thursday

Starting from a short circuit, fire damaged Pritchard Lindsley's Chevrolet sedan at the corner of Haughton and Church Streets last Thursday afternoon at 4:15 o'clock...

Seeing sparks fly from under the dash board, Billy Allsbrooks, the driver, parked it and pulled the wires loose. Residents in the neighborhood dashed water on the fire and had it out by the time volunteer firemen reached the scene with the truck.

ROUND-UP

Ten persons were rounded-up and temporarily detained in the county jail last week-end by local, county and state officers. Three of those jailed were booked for public drunkenness, and two each for assaults, drunken driving and liquor law violations. A tenth one was held for investigation.

One of the ten was white and the ages of the group ranged from 20 to 40 years.

President Making Report To Nation On War Tomorrow

Indications Point To Call For More Money And Larger Forces

President Truman is almost certain to call for a sizable increase in military appropriations and several hundred thousand more men for the armed forces in a message to the Congress Wednesday morning at 11:00 o'clock...

Salient features of the emergency program as described by this official:

1. A request for new military contracts or contract authorizations totaling \$5,000,000,000 to \$600,000,000.

2. A proposal for legislation authorizing 160,000 more men for the Army above the present legal limit of 837,000, and 60,000 more for the Navy which now cannot exceed 666,882.

3. Announcement by Mr. Truman that he is delegating to the Defense Department authority to order selected reservists to duty, instead of asking for volunteers as a present.

4. No action now on mobilizing any of the 27 National Guard divisions. Some authorities have speculated that six to nine divisions will be called up shortly, along with reserves.

Mr. Truman's message is not expected to ask for rationing or price and wage controls, but some government officials have predicted the President will seek controls over steel, curbs on consumer credit, and possibly a tax increase.

Production costs as figured by the Bureau of Agricultural Economics are to be accepted, it was pointed out.

Congress is interested in a plan in so far as it will not necessarily prove a burden to the grower, and at the same time protect the farmer against crop failures.

To try the plan, the P.-M. A. committee is expected to select the county where the plan will be given a trial not later than the early part of next September.

Quite a few farmers in this county could have participated in the plan this year to a great advantage.

Bitten By Snake Near Jamesville Thursday

Reaching down to pick up a leaf of tobacco behind a flue in a tobacco barn on their farm near Jamesville, Mrs. Clarence Barber was bitten on the hand by a water moccasin.

Treated by Plymouth doctors, she was reported yesterday by getting along very well.

Local Man Continues Quite Ill In Hospital

Mr. B. S. Courtney, prominent local citizen and business man, continues quite ill in the hospital here. However, this morning his condition was better than it was last week-end.

Over-All Insurance Plan Discussed Here

State Committee To Include One County In Plan

Farmers Show Much Interest In Coverage At Meeting Held Monday

A multiple insurance plan for multiple crops was discussed with a group of Martin County farmers at a meeting held in the courthouse Monday. Explaining the plan, W. A. Kitchen of the State Production-Marketing Administration committee, said that the government proposed to include one eastern county in the program for next year...

The plan, providing mainly insurance against actual production losses, does not necessarily conflict with old-line insurance, it was said.

According to a report released following the meeting, the multiple insurance plan would offer protection on just about all the basic crops on a farm against losses from hail, wind, insects, weather conditions and even fire after the crop is harvested.

The multiple feature combines all cash crops on a farm. If the farmer planted four acres of tobacco, five acres of corn, two acres of cotton and three acres of peanuts, and the cost of production of all the crops was figured at \$1,200, then he would pay an insurance premium of \$18.

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Tobacco Diseases Appearing In All Sections Of State

Agent Advises Identification Of Disease And Take Precautions

By S. A. Taten, Assistant County Agent



Tobacco diseases of various kinds have appeared in many tobacco fields in Martin County this year. It is estimated that approximately 5 percent of the entire tobacco crop has been lost as a result of these diseases...

This year black shank has been identified on farms throughout the county. If no steps are taken to control the disease and if it continued to spread as it has in other areas of the State...

Former Resident Died In Everetts Saturday Morning

Funeral Held Sunday Afternoon In Church For Mrs. Hardison

Mrs. Lizzie Newman Hardison, former Williamston resident, died at her home in Everetts last Saturday morning following an illness of more than a year.

The daughter of the late William and Minerva Ray Newman, she was born in the Jamesville community 68 years ago and spent most of her life there.

Surviving besides her son with whom she made her home, are four sons, Grover N. Hardison of Raleigh, Elmer N. Hardison of Miami, Donnie and Leland G. Hardison of Robersonville; one sister, Mrs. Cynthia Simpson, and two grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted in the Everetts Baptist Church Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock by Rev. W. B. Harrington, county Baptist minister and a friend of the family for years, assisted by the pastor, Rev. E. R. Stewart of Hamilton.

Interment was held in the Roberson family cemetery near Jamesville.

Waverly Parker Accident Victim

Funeral services were conducted in a Suffolk funeral home Sunday afternoon for Waverly C. Parker, 55, who was fatally injured in a vehicle-train accident near Suffolk Friday morning.

Besides his father, J. R. Parker, he is survived by his widow, the former Miss Ethel Holland; two daughters, Miss Elizabeth Parker, Martin County home demonstration agent of Williamston, and Jean Parker of Sunbury; two sons, Waverly C. Parker, Jr., of Norfolk, and Fred Parker of Sunbury; three sisters, Mrs. L. E. McCoy and Mrs. J. M. Barrow, both of Sunbury; and Mrs. Frank Ellener of Gates, N. C.; five brothers, Hallett Parker, Rly Parker, Emmett Parker and Dalton Parker, all of Sunbury, and Raymond Parker of Norfolk.

The chairman said that he had not received a call for men, that possibly the first call would be handled by the district office for this county in Elizabeth City.

NO DEVELOPMENTS

No definite instructions have yet been received for reactivating the Martin County Draft Board, Chairman Eugene Rice said this morning.