

Building Program Still In Progress Despite Shortages

Methodists Adding \$25,000 Educational Plant To Their Church

Despite material shortages and certain government restrictions, construction work is still going forward here on a fairly pretentious scale. However, it is pointed out that the size of the program is far below what it would have been had there been no obstacles thrown into its path.

The First Methodist Church started on a Sunday School annex or educational building this week. Estimated to cost \$25,000, the new two-story addition is to house seven classrooms, an assembly hall about 20 by 40 feet, a modern kitchen and facilities. The new structure is being joined to the rear of the church and will be of frame construction.

Work was started this week on an eight-room, one-story home for Dr. and Mrs. J. T. Llewellyn, corner School Drive and East Franklin Street.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Crawford are starting construction work on a new home on West Academy Street, and Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy Godard are building on Sunset Avenue in West End.

Work is about complete on the Wheeler Manning's home on School Drive and they plan to move into it the latter part of this month.

The foundation has been completed on the home for Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Page, corner North Biggs and East Liberty Streets.

Work is still going forward on a new home for Dr. and Mrs. G. G. Himmelwright on Woodlawn Drive.

The Roanoke Chevrolet Company has almost completed its new home, corner of Washington and Sycamore Streets and will move there some time this month.

The Williamston Tractor and Implement Co. recently moved into its new home on Jamesville Road, and Chas. H. Jenkins Implement Co. are occupying their new storage on Pearl Street. Completion of both projects is being delayed by the cement shortage.

The five large storage tanks have been erected and most of the construction work has been completed on the large Texas Company's oil terminal on Roanoke River. It will be placed in operation, partially, at least, possibly about the first of next month. Several families, planning to move here to operate the plant, are looking for homes.

Work has been started on a new home for Mr. and Mrs. E. Ross Fronberger on Halifax Street.

Mr. and Mrs. Raleigh Harrington plan to move into their new home on Lee Street shortly, possibly next week.

Building work is about completed on a new home for Mr. and Mrs. Elton Hardy on North Smithwick Street.

A new home for Mr. and Mrs. Jim Critcher on East Liberty Street is nearing completion and they plan to move sometime this month.

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THE RECORD SPEAKS . . .

The accident count continues to go up, but the record for the 43rd week this year is no worse than it was the previous week or in the corresponding period, 1949. However, the over-all total is already at a new high peak except in the number killed. In 1949, eight persons were killed in highway accidents. Let's slow down and hold the count to the present count of three.

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.

43rd Week	
Accidents Inj'd Killed Dam'ge	
1950 6 0 0 \$ 845	
1949 7 3 0 850	
Comparisons To Date	
1950 139 58 3 \$30,410	
1949 112 49 5 24,235	

Governor Addresses Harvest Festival



Governor Kerr Scott is pictured above as he addressed a large crowd at Williamston's third annual harvest festival. Speaking from a temporary platform, corner Main and Smithwick Streets, the Governor declared that the State had not gone too far with its social planning. (Photo by Royal Photographers.)

Forty - Four Names On Election Ballots

MEETING

A quiet session is in prospect for the Martin County Commissioners when they hold their regular meeting here next Monday.

Other than routine matters there's little business on the calendar. A jury will be drawn for the superior court, convening the second Monday in December.

Propose Changes In Constitution At Next Election

Fourth Change Would Give People Chance To Vote For More Judges

Five amendments to the Constitution of North Carolina will be submitted to popular vote on November 7. The adoption or rejection of each amendment will be determined by the majority of the votes cast for or against each amendment. The legal significance of the proposed No. 4 amendment is briefly explained as follows:

4. Additional Superior Court Judges.

Section 10 of Article IV of the Constitution provides for the division of the state into a number of judicial districts which may be increased or reduced and provides for the election of one superior court judge for each district. It provides further that there shall be a superior court in each county at least twice each year.

The proposed amendment would make only one substantive change. It would permit the General Assembly to provide for the election of one superior court judge for each county at least twice each year.

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Halloween Passes Without Incident

Although a few highway signs were switched and a few placed in unusual places, the Halloween season passed here without incident, police report.

The youngsters made the most of the "trick or treat" and horns were tooted late into the night but property came through without serious damage.

A few energetic pranksters pushed a car out of its parking place, causing the owner to sound a stolen alarm.

The Woman's Club carnival in the warehouse last Saturday was attended by more than 400 persons and was a success.

Little Interest Is Being Shown In Tuesday Election

Small Vote Is Predicted In This County In Off-Year Contest

Little interest is being shown by Martin County people in the off-year general election scheduled for next Tuesday, and one of the smallest votes in many years is being predicted. Prognosticators are of the opinion the total vote will not exceed 2,000.

It is pointed out that there are no serious threats from the opposition party, and most Democrats will likely "sit out" the election.

There are five contests on the State ballots, two for the U. S. Senate, two for associate justices of the State Supreme Court and one for the National House of Representatives.

Five amendments are being proposed to the State Constitution, but they are not attracting too much attention even though they are rated of much importance. All of them have been recommended by leaders interested in better government.

The No. 1 proposal would permit any person, when represented by counsel, to waive indictment in all except capital cases.

No. 2 amendment would secure and safeguard the funds of the Teachers' and State Employees' Retirement System.

No. 3 amendment would allow limited necessary compensation of members of the General Assembly. This amendment has been proposed on previous occasions, and is definitely gaining in favor, the people realizing that it is not fair to expect a member of the General Assembly to go to Raleigh and lose money. The change, if approved would not be effective during the coming term.

No. 4 amendment would permit the General Assembly to prescribe the number of regular superior court judges in each judicial district, provided each district has at least one.

No. 5 and the last proposed amendment would transfer to the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court the authority now exercised by the Governor in the assignment of judges and the calling of special terms of court, and empowering the Legislature to define jurisdiction of the special judges.

There has been some talk about ticket "scratching" and the insertion of other names, but the practice is not expected to make much of a dent in this county. There is nothing to be gained by such action, it has been pointed out, and it is believed and expected that Martin County Democrats will go all the way in support of their nominees.

It is possible that the Republican vote will show a gain in this county, but even with the gain, the total will hardly be impressive.

L. Clyde Brown Passes Suddenly Tuesday Evening

Funeral This Afternoon For Prominent Jamesville Business Man

Leamon Clyde Brown, prominent Jamesville merchant and well-known county citizen, died about 9:45 o'clock Tuesday morning following a cerebral hemorrhage suffered a short time before. Troubled with high blood pressure, Mr. Brown had not been in very good health for some time, but he worked all day Tuesday and was apparently getting along all right until he was taken suddenly ill at his home. He was pronounced dead upon arrival at a local hospital, a short time later.

The son of the late J. L. and Sadie Jones Brown, he was born on a farm near Jamesville 58 years ago on April 3, 1892, and spent his early life there.

A veteran of the World War I, Mr. Brown entered the service July 5, 1918, and served with Infantry Company B, 57th Pioneer Infantry. He was overseas from September 22, 1918, until April 20, 1919, receiving an honorable discharge ten days later.

A few years following his discharge from the service, he entered the mercantile business in Jamesville, operating a store in the old section of the town and later building a modern building on the highway.

He was a member of the Poplar Chapel Church for thirty-five years and a leader in his community. Mr. Brown served as a director of the Jamesville Ruritan Club and as a member of the town board of commissioners there. He was associated with every worthy movement, and was a friend to his fellowman, giving of his time and means to help others.

He was married on September 12, 1930, to Miss Bessie Mizelle who survives with two brothers, Walter L. and Edgar D. Brown; and two sisters, Mrs. P. J. Modlin and Mrs. Mayo Mizelle, all of Jamesville.

Funeral services are being conducted this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock at the Poplar Chapel Church.

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Only Five Places Contested By The Opposition Party

North Carolinians will vote on State, county and local officers in the general election next Tuesday, November 7, from 6:30 a. m. to 6:30 p. m. There are 44 names on the ballots that will be distributed in this county, but only five of the positions are being contested. However, those nominees without opposition have to be voted on before they can qualify for the respective offices they are running for. It should be remembered that the terms of all officers in the State and county do not expire this year.

Twenty-four names appear on the two State ballots, fifteen on the Martin County ballot, and one each on five township ballots. The contests, all State, are for the two United States Senate seats, two associate justices' seats on the supreme court and for Congress, first district.

The county ticket follows:

For solicitor, second district: George M. Fountain.

For State Senators: Hugh G. Horton and Sam M. Campen. This district is allowed two senators, so the Democrats will vote for both Mr. Horton and Mr. Campen. Like all other officers on the county ticket, there is no opposition to the senators.

For House of Representatives: E. G. Anderson.

For clerk of court: L. Bruce Wynne.

For sheriff: M. W. Holloman.

For treasurer: R. H. Smith.

For judge of recorder's court: R. T. Johnson.

For coroner: Wm. W. Biggs.

For surveyor: O. B. Roberson.

For county commissioners: John H. Edwards, H. L. Roebuck, W. M. (Continued on Page Eight)

Planning Grain Demonstration

A special grain drying and storing demonstration is being planned on a Beaufort County farm, ten miles east of Washington on Highway 264 at Hunters Bridge, on Wednesday of next week at 10:30 o'clock, a. m., it was announced by the county office of the Production-Marketing Administration this week.

Three hundred or more farmers from this area are expected to witness the demonstration, and Martin County farmers have a special invitation to be present.

NO ELECTION PARTY

Finding interest at a low ebb among Martin County people in off-year elections, The Enterprise is not planning an election party next Tuesday night.

However, the paper has been asked to canvass the official returns for the State papers and press associations, and the precinct election officials are being asked to report the returns as quickly as possible.

Good Prices Expected For Excess Peanut Production

Those farmers who planted in excess of their 1950 allotment but held their acreage below their 1947 quotas can expect reasonable or good prices for their excess peanuts this fall, according to reliable reports released this week. The plantings in excess of the current year quota but less than the 1947 allotment will not be subject to penalty if the crop is hogged down or sold for oil.

Prices for the excess plantings, it is reported, will, in the long run, just about equal those received on the regular market for edible peanuts. For example, the farmer who planted ten percent in excess of his 1950 allotment but not in excess of his 1947 quota, will market 90 percent of his crop for the edible trade. The remaining ten percent will be purchased as oil stock, but, in reality, the excess is fairly certain to go right into the edible trade. The farmer will receive at the time of sale oil prices which are ranging up to nine cents a pound. The buyer will pay the Commodity Credit Corporation the difference between the edible trade price and the price for oil stock. The Commodity Credit Corporation, in turn, will pay the farmer the money, less a fractional percentage handling cost.

Approximately 700 farmers in this county planted in excess of their peanut acreage allotments, and it is fairly certain they can market them without penalty and for a good price, thanks to Congressman Herbert Bonner, and Frank Graham, the State's retiring junior Senator.

Concert Group's Membership Drive Closes Saturday

Preliminary Reports Point To Successful Campaign

Preliminary reports released this morning declared that the membership drive for the Martin County Community Concert Association is progressing and that it is receiving support throughout the county and in Plymouth and Windsor. Only a few of the membership canvasses have reported to headquarters in the Virginia Electric and Power Company building, but by late yesterday the canvass had been extended to just about every person here.

The membership drive closes at 6:00 o'clock Saturday, and B. G. Stewart, president of the association, explains that no box office admission to any of the concerts in Williamston will be sold, that admission will be by membership card only. Those who have not been canvassed for membership may get them at headquarters, it was announced.

In addition to bringing noted artists to the community, membership in the association entitles the members to admission to concerts in other towns. Next Monday night, the Reveler's male quartet will appear in the Washington High School at 8:00 o'clock. Members of the Martin County Community Concert Association will be admitted by showing the stub of their membership card at the door. Jane Habson, soprano, and Mario Braggiotti, pianist, are also booked for performances in Washington at later dates, and they may be heard without additional cost by members of the Martin association.

Concerts are also being booked in Ahsokie, Elizabeth City, Tarboro, Rocky Mount, Kinston and Wilson and may be attended by members of the Martin association, provided they are not sold out ahead of time. Dates and artists will be announced later.

During the meantime, leaders in the movement to bring the entertainment to this county are pushing for a large membership, explaining that a large membership could open the way for additional concerts.

The artists to appear in this county will be selected at a meeting of the executive committee and board of directors to be held in the Woman's Club hall Saturday evening.

Collect Articles For The Needy

Planning to help make Christmas merrier for the underprivileged in their community, the welfare department of the Jamesville Woman's Club are planning a collection of discarded toys and old clothing for distribution during the holiday season, it was announced this week by Miss Esta Martin, member of the department.

Those who can spare a few toys or serviceable clothing are asked to notify Miss Lucy Martin, Mrs. Clyde Brown, Mrs. Alva Roberson or Miss Martin, and collections will be made either on Saturday afternoon of this week or next Wednesday. Club members are being asked to bring their contribution to the regular meeting next Tuesday.

PEANUT MARKET

As the last of the 1950 tobacco market trickled out, peanuts started trickling in to the local market this week. Only a few deliveries have been made so far, but prices were said to be ranging from 11 1-2 to 12.12 cents a pound. Moisture content is running mighty high, and a few farmers who started picking stopped operations for a while.

With favorable weather existing, picking operations are certain to get under way on a large scale next week.

Twenty-Six Cases Heard In County Court On Monday

Tribunal Imposes Fines In Amount of \$130 During Long Session

Handling twenty-six cases, the Martin County Court in a lengthy session Monday banned two defendants from the county, imposed fines in the amount of \$430 and meted out a number of road sentences.

Proceedings: James Madison McLawhorn of Ayden was taxed with the costs for speeding.

Pleading not guilty, Cato Andrews was found guilty of being drunk and disorderly. He is to violate no liquor law during the next five years and pay a \$50 fine, plus costs, or serve nine months on the roads.

Charged with drunken driving, Hubert Lucian Roberson was found not guilty by the following jury: Jos. S. Holliday, Hubert T. Selby, V. U. Bunting, Aubrey H. Gurganus, Warner Bailey and R. L. Waters.

Will Stillely, charged with assaulting a female, was found not guilty.

Found guilty by jury, John Hayman, charged with beating his wife, was sentenced to the roads for six months, the court suspending the road term upon the payment of the costs. The defendant is to drink no intoxicating beverages for two years and not assault his wife during that period. He was found guilty by the following jury: R. L. Waters, Aubrey H. Gurganus, Jos. S. Holliday, Collins Griffin and Gussie Harrison.

Pleading not guilty of assaulting a female, George Lee Jones was adjudged guilty and was sentenced to the roads for three months. The road term was suspended upon the payment of the cost. The defendant is to remain of good behavior and not mistreat his wife during the next two years.

Adjudged guilty of drunken driving, and operating a motor vehicle without a driver's license, Monroe Cummings was ordered to pay a \$125 fine, plus costs, or serve three months on the roads.

Charged with hit-and-run driving, Oscar Jones, colored of Hamilton, was adjudged not guilty.

Booker T. Lloyd, RFD 3, Williamston, was taxed with the court costs for speeding.

William Arthur Smallwood, RFD 1, Washington, was fined \$15, plus costs, for speeding.

The cases charging James Artis Gilliams and Adeline Yarrrell with violating the liquor laws, were not pressed.

Pleading guilty of violating the liquor laws, Augustus Yarrrell was fined \$25, plus costs.

Adjudged guilty of destroying personal property, Prince Lynch was sentenced to the roads for six months, the court suspending the sentence on condition that he leave and remain out of the county for at least five years.

Pleading guilty of simple assault, Levern Roberson was taxed with the costs.

Samuel Manning, RFD 1, Williamston, pleaded not guilty of speeding. Adjudged guilty, he was taxed with the costs.

Augustus Clemmons was fined (Continued on page eight)

Native Of County Dies In Hospital

Mack D. Harris, native of this county and son of the late George and Mary Griffin Harris, died in an Edenton hospital Tuesday evening. He was 62 years old.

When a young boy, he moved to Roper and engaged in the mercantile business for a number of years.

Surviving are a daughter, Mrs. W. C. Brabble of Roper; two brothers, Z. A. Harris of Hertford and J. A. Harris of Elizabeth City; three sisters, Mrs. E. J. Spruill of Mackeys, Mrs. Vina Jones of Washington and Mrs. Molly Bishop of Norfolk.

Funeral services are being conducted in Horner's Funeral Home in Plymouth this afternoon by Rev. R. L. Gardner. Interment will be in the Holley Neck Cemetery near Roper.

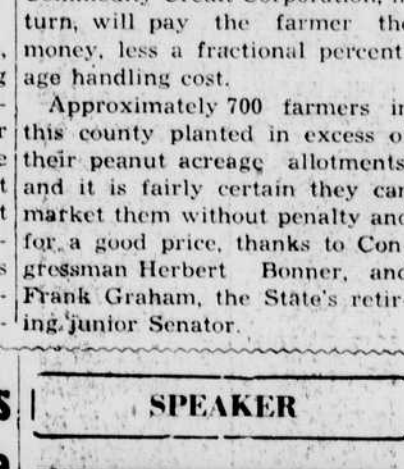
Final Sale

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Less than 6,000 pounds were on the floor, but the average held right at \$50 per hundred pounds, pushing the total to 9,709,566 pounds and the income to \$5,562,637.

J. B. Taylor, auctioning the last pile, expressed on behalf of all the market operators, sincere appreciation to the patrons and buyers and others who had helped make the season a success.

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Hugh Q. Alexander, young Kannapolis attorney and a veteran of World War II, will address a district meeting of the American Legion in Williamston on Friday, November 11. Mr. Alexander is a member of the North Carolina State House of Representatives, and an able speaker.

Takes Live Deer With Bare Hands

J. H. McKinney, trucker for a Sanford brick firm, caught a live deer with his bare hands in a vacant lot on Grace Street here shortly before noon Tuesday.

The animal, weighing sixty pounds, was first seen coming out of the woods near the Martin General Hospital. Making his way across yards and down the streets, he jumped the hedge back of the Dr. J. S. Rhodes home. McKinney, unloading brick in the vacant lot, saw the deer as he moved between the truck and brick unloaded on the ground. When the animal tried to turn and go under the truck, McKinney caught him by a rear leg. "The next thing I knew I was knocked over the pile of brick to the ground," the man said. During the brief tussle, the deer injured his head against the brick and died either of the injury or shock.

McKinney, holding a State hunting license, moved the carcass to the freezer locker and later to his home in Sanford.

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