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New Home Of The Roanoke Chevrolet Company



Pictured above is the new and modern home of the Roanoke Chevrolet Company here on the corner of Washington and Sycamore Streets. Costing approximately \$75,000, the new home will display the new 1951 Chevrolet models on Saturday of this week when open house will be held from

8:00 a. m. until 6:30 p. m. A cordial invitation is being extended the public to attend and inspect the new car models and the company's new home. Valuable door prizes will be awarded and there'll be refreshments, supported by a warm welcome on the part of the management and all the employees.

Twenty Cases On The Docket For Trial Next Week

Judge Walter J. Bone To Preside Over Short Term Of Superior Court

Twenty criminal cases have been placed on the docket for trial during the one-week term of the Martin County Superior Court opening next week. In addition to the criminal docket, the court plans to call a few civil cases, including two or three divorce actions. It is quite likely the court will be in session most of the week. Judge Walter J. Bone is to preside.

Cases tentatively scheduled for trial include the following:

Appealing from a lower court judgment, Thomas Kirkman is to face trial on a non-support charge.

Oliver Peel and Earl Goodwin are charged with assaults with deadly weapons with intent to kill.

Willie Moore is charged with an assault with a deadly weapon with intent to kill and robbery of the person.

John Bradley is booked for being drunk and disorderly and breaking and entering.

Van R. Page is to go on trial again for breaking and entering and larceny. His case was called last term, but a technical error in the warrant caused his trial to be delayed. Page gained little by the maneuver because he has continued in jail and peace and quiet have reigned on the crime front in the county, for the most part.

Frederick H. Sayre, Jr., Summit, N. J., youth is booked for the larceny of an automobile from Augustus Harris near Williams-ton on November 6.

R. L. Sikes is charged with issuing a worthless check in the sum of \$300 to Chas. H. Ayers on November 21. He appealed from a lower court judgment.

Appealing from a county court judgment, General Columbus Freeman will face trial before Judge Bone on a drunken driving charge.

Jake Woolard, adjudged guilty and fined in the county court for cruelty to animals, appealed to the higher court.

James A. Warren is charged with violating the liquor laws.

Robert Savage is charged with breaking into the home of Willie Spruill in Goose Nest Township on September 30 and carrying away \$4.25 worth of groceries and \$11 in cash.

Linwood (Dummy) Speight, gaining a verdict of not guilty in Judge Bone's court in September when he was charged with breaking into the Gulf Filling Station here, is back in court. He is charged with breaking into the Mad White home on Sycamore Street here on September 19. Judge Bone had not had time to leave town before Speight was in jail again.

Geo. Clemmons is charged with transporting \$65 worth of tobacco, knowing it to be stolen.

Charged with firing woodlands in Robersonville Township last April, Murray Boyd, young white man, was convicted and fined in the county court. He appealed to the higher court, but did not report for trial last September. He

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Holiday Lights On Streets Here

Unable to get all the equipment that had been ordered, the committee went ahead this week and turned on the holiday lights, hoping the remainder of the equipment will reach here shortly.

The number of stars is to be doubled if the wiring and sockets can be had. The stars have been made and are ready for the lighting material.

While the lights are not as bright as those of past years, possibly they are more decorative with the evergreen.

A few store and office windows are displaying special Christmas scenes. Harrison and Carstarphen were among the first to equip their window with a special display aside from the regular store windows.

New Team Scores In Drive On Illicit Liquor Business

Martin County's alcoholic beverages control board's new enforcement team—Deputies Joe H. Roebuck and Cecil Bullock—really scored in the relentless drive against the illicit liquor business in this county last month.

Aided at time by other officers, the two-man team wrecked thirty-one distilleries during November to set a record for recent activities in the enforcement work. At least nine of the plants were equipped with copper kettles, including a 200-gallon kettle. The officers poured out 7,050 gallons of sugar mash and more than fourteen gallons of white liquor. Four persons were arrested and formally charged with violating

the liquor laws. Only one was carried into the courts during the period, and he drew twelve months on the roads, suspended upon the payment of a \$100 fine and costs.

Nearly half or twelve of the plants were found in Jamesville Township. The operators of several of the plants successfully concealed the kettles, but equipment and mash were destroyed. Six plants were found and wrecked in both Robersonville and Bear Grass Township, five in Hamilton, and one or two in Cross Roads Township.

Since last Friday, the officers have conducted successful raids and arrested at least one man at a still.

CHEER PLANS

Preliminary reports reaching here indicate that quite a few civic clubs in the county will participate in a Christmas Cheer Program this year.

Toy collections have been advanced in several communities, and other plans are being made to remember the less fortunate.

Clubs and organizations are already at work in the Jamesville, Bear Grass, Williams-ton and Robersonville communities, it was learned.

Delegates Leave For Convention

Four Martin County farmers, Chas. L. Daniel, Reuben S. Everett, S. T. Everett and G. H. Forbes, plan to leave tomorrow afternoon for Dallas, Texas, where they will represent this county at the American Farm Bureau Federation convention. Mrs. Reuben Everett and Mrs. Hugh Bennett plan to accompany the group.

Mr. Daniel, president of the county organization and prominent in the State Farm Bureau, has been named a voting delegate to the convention and his expenses will be paid by the national organization. The recognition is a real honor in that there are only six voting delegates in North Carolina. Mr. Reuben Everett goes as a special guest of the State Farm Bureau, and Messrs. S. T. Everett and G. H. Forbes, leaders in the membership drive, will have part of their expenses paid by the county organization, it was explained.

The delegates will board a special train in Raleigh early Saturday morning and reach Dallas Monday. They are to return Saturday of next week.

Name Nominees At Conventions In Martin County

Election Will Be Held In County On Thursday Of Next Week

Meetings in community centers throughout the county this week, farmers selected their nominees for places on the P.-M. A. community committees and delegates to the county convention.

The nominees, numbering at least two for each committee place and for delegate and alternate to the county convention, will be voted upon in an election to be held Thursday of next week.

Complete reports on the nominating meeting could not be had up until noon today, but reports from several communities listed their nominees. The names are listed two for each place for community chairman, vice chairman, regular member and first and second alternates, in order, as follows:

Jamesville No. 2: R. G. Coburn, Sherwood Davis, Edward Ange, V. H. Davis, R. C. Sexton, Bonnie Ange, Marvin Jones, E. N. Modlin and Dennis Roberson; delegate: C. G. Gurkin, Seth Davis, Arthur Ange and Bert Lee Roberson.

Williams: C. L. Daniel, R. J. Hardison, Paul Harrington, Howard Tyre, Walter Gardner, James Perry, Joe L. Coltrane, Grady Godard and L. J. Hardison; Delegate: Paul Harrington and Grady Godard.

Bear Grass: E. C. Harrison, H. G. Harrison, H. V. Peel, Elmer Griffin, Opehus Bailey, Ralph Mobley, Marvin Cowan, J. T. Harris, and Chesley Jones; Delegate: C. U. Rogers and E. C. Harrison.

Robersonville No. 1: R. S. Everett, S. T. Everett, J. R. Daniel, (Continued on page eight)

Improving After Logging Accident

Suffering a crushed ankle in a logging accident a few days ago, Palsey Corey was reported to be improving in Brown's Hospital this morning. He plans to return to his home in Farm Life shortly.

The young man was cutting down a tree and it lodged and kicked back, the butt striking and crushing his ankle. Alone in the woods at the time, he managed to free himself and started crawling out of the woods. He was only able to get part of the way out before he became exhausted. He was found some time later. Reports state that it will be possibly six months before he'll be able to put any weight on the foot.

Loses Fingers In Saw Tuesday

Farmer Noah Daniel Griffin lost just about all of three fingers from his right hand in an accident on his farm near here last Tuesday afternoon.

Using a skillsaw, Mr. Griffin said he can't recall just how he got his fingers caught in the machine. He was using the saw in his left hand and thinks the saw pinched and kicked out and hopped on his fingers.

He suffered right much, but his condition is much improved and he plans to leave the Martin General Hospital shortly.

Calling For Special Term Superior Court In County

Fairly certain there won't be sufficient time in the regular term of court scheduled for next week, the Martin County Commissioners, upon the recommendation of Resident Judge Walter J. Bone, are calling for special term of the superior court to be held in this county on or about January 22 for a hearing relating to Martin County Drainage District No. 1. Attorneys in the case presented their problem to Judge Bone in his chambers at Nashville Tuesday evening and the jurist explained that similar cases require several days or more, that it is hardly likely that the court will find time

to hear the cases next week. The petitioners, numbering almost 100, are appealing from findings by the clerk of court, and are anxious to have the cases cleared so work on the project can be launched. Bids on the drainage project were received here this morning.

A resolution, requesting the governor to call a special session of the court in January, had not been formally passed this morning, but action is expected shortly.

The twelve or more respondents are opposing the drainage project, maintaining their lands will not be benefitted by it.

Post Office Asks For Cooperation

Full cooperation on the part of the public will have a great deal to do with the successful handling of the heavy mail loads this holiday season, postal authorities point out. Postal employees are being increased to help handle the business volume and the local office will maintain window service each week day, including Saturday afternoon through the 23rd, Postmaster Dunn said.

It was pointed out that time can be saved by the purchase of an ample supply of stamps at one time.

All mail should be properly addressed as to box, rural route or street number, the postmaster explaining that this is vitally necessary when new carriers are employed to help handle the rush.

It is suggested that Christmas greetings be sent first class with the understanding that they will be forwarded, if necessary, may contain written messages and offer other advantages. Unsealed greetings cards are handled as third class and must wait their turn without forwarding privileges.

Parcels should be carefully packed and wrapped and must be limited to 70 pounds and must not be more than 100 inches in length and girth combined.

Mailings for distant states should be started in advance of December 10, and the 15th has been mentioned as a late date for local mailings.

BUILDING GROCERY

Construction work is going along rapidly on a building for Archie Perry's grocery, corner of Liberty and Haughton Streets.

ILL AT HOME HERE

Ill at his home on Academy Street here for about two weeks, Mr. C. B. Clark was reported to be feeling better this morning.

New Officials Hold First Term Of Court

TOY COLLECTION

Advised that the need is greater than was first anticipated and believing that there are more toys local people would like to share with the less fortunate little tots in this community, the Jaycees are planning a second town-wide collection Sunday afternoon at 2:00 o'clock.

Those who have a surplus toy that is serviceable and who would help make Christmas bright for some little tot are asked to place the toys on their door steps Sunday.

The Jaycees are opening a toy work shop in the old Roanoke Chevrolet building and will receive toys there any night next week.

Rapist-Killer To Be Returned For Trial In County

FBI To Turn Norman Worsley Over To Authorities At Rocky Mount

Norman Worsley, 37-year-old colored man wanted in this county for alleged rape and murder, is to be returned to this county for trial next week, according to tentative plans made by Sheriff M. W. Holloman yesterday.

Arrested by the Federal Bureau of Investigation last week in New York City as a fugitive from justice, Worsley offered to fight his return to North Carolina. The Federal Bureau of Investigation stepped in and advised Sheriff Holloman that he would be brought to Rocky Mount by one of its agents the latter part of this week.

"We hope to get him back to this county in time for trial next week," the sheriff said. Preliminary plans for prosecuting the man are being made, and if he reaches here not later than Saturday the trial will be held in the superior court next week.

It was learned unofficially that Worsley had admitted the rape charge and also admits the assault resulting in the death of Lawrence Andrews in Parmele the latter part of 1948.

Worsley allegedly raped Andrews' 15-year-old daughter in Edgecombe County, but so far, according to unofficial reports reaching here, little or no action has been taken to prosecute the case there.

The murder case had its origin back in late December, 1948, when Worsley, alias Cherry, accompanied by the young Andrews girl, went to Tarboro to carry the girl's sister. After the sister was put out of the car in Tarboro, Worsley drove out on a little-used road and allegedly assaulted the girl. The next day when the father remon-

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Calendar Carries Two Civil Cases

Two civil cases are on the calendar for trial in the superior court next week, both of them having been given precedence by agreement at the special November term. Several divorce cases are to be placed on the calendar for next week, but they had not been listed shortly before noon today.

John A. Revels is suing Paul Birdsong for \$375, plus interest from September 15, 1948. The plaintiff alleges a contract was entered into whereby the defendant was to guarantee a satisfactory supply of water. He alleged the defendant did not live up to the contract terms.

In the case of Lucy Bryant against F. B. Harrell, administrator of Johnnie Jones, the plaintiff says she cared for Jones during fourteen months just prior to his death. She alleges she was never remunerated for that care, and that she is entitled to recover \$1,000 from the estate.

Improving From Attack By Bull

N. D. Griffin, Jr., is improving following treatment in the Martin General Hospital for injuries received when attacked by a bull on his father's farm near Williamston.

The youth was walking near a fence in the lot when the animal approached from the rear and knocked him down. An ugly gash was made on one leg when the animal stepped on him. He was also bruised about the body before he could crawl to a gate a few feet away and escape.

While recovering in the hospital he was joined by his father who lost three fingers from the right hand in an accident Tuesday afternoon.

Forty Cases Are Called By Judge R. T. Johnson

Solicitor Clarence Griffin Prosecutes Big Docket In All-Day Meet

Picking up where Judge C. H. Manning and Solicitor Paul D. Roberson left off, the Martin County Court's new officials, Judge Raymond T. Johnson and Solicitor Clarence Griffin measured out justice in certain terms and with dispatch last Monday.

Feeling their way along through a crowded docket that had accumulated cases during the two weeks the superior tribunal was supposed to have been in session, the new judge and solicitor solved the problems as they went along. Judge Johnson, it was noted, took a definite stand against carving with pocket knives and razors, but, according to some report, held to the lenient side where liquor law violations were involved.

Working until dark, the court handled forty cases. Several road sentences were imposed, one for an assault with a deadly weapon. Fines, imposed during the day, amounted to \$735. No session of the court will be held next Monday when the superior court convenes for a week session.

Proceedings: The case charging William Jones with being drunk and disorderly, was not pressed or dismissed.

Pleading guilty of failing to yield right-of-way, Isaiah Hill was taxed with the costs.

Adjudged guilty of an assault with a deadly weapon, Mayo Simmons was sentenced to the roads for three months. The sentence was suspended upon the payment of a \$25 fine and costs. The defendant is to violate no criminal law for six months.

Pleading guilty of bastardy, Leo Long drew six months on the road, suspended upon the payment of the costs and \$3 a week for the support of his child during the next year.

Ernest Bridges and Grover Dixon both pleaded guilty of assaults with deadly weapons and were sentenced to the roads for six months. The road terms were suspended upon the payment of costs and \$25 fines. The defendants are to violate no criminal law during the next two years.

Robert Latham was sentenced to the roads for four months in the case charging him with an assault with a deadly weapon.

Chas. Grimes was fined \$10, plus costs, for being publicly drunk.

Pleading not guilty of non-support, Thos. Kirkman was adjudged guilty and drew six months on the roads, suspended upon the payment of the costs and the condition that he pay \$10 a week for the support of his family. He appealed and bond was required in the sum of \$100.

Clarence Purvis was fined \$25 plus costs, for careless and reckless driving.

Jasper Purvis was fined \$25 and taxed with the costs for operating a motor vehicle without

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