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Finish Work On Tobacco Farmers Plagued Program For Band Agriculture Goal Low Water Stalls Traffic Draw Citizens For Foundation For From All Sides This Year Open Air Concert Blocked In Nation In Upper Roanoke River Jury Duty During 'Phone Building

Experiment With

Sucker Control

By S. A. Tuten

Assistant County Agent

Raymond Concrete Pile Firm Moving Its Equipment To Tennessee

houn, Tennessee.

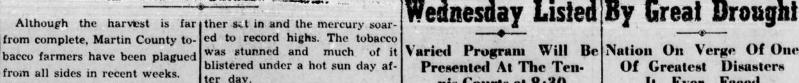
The project has attracted considerable attention, and various ing the past week. Entire crops cost estimates have been advancreleased, but it is fairly certain that the cost of driving the 50-foot piling will approximate and possibly exceed \$50,000. Sidewalk observers saw the need for the foundation when they saw the big Raymond Concrete Pile Company machine in action. The piling would sing twelve or more feet under its own weight. After a few licks with a steam hammer, the piling would cut loose and quickly sink another ten or fifteen feet, striking solid ground about forty feet from the surface.

While the building addition is to be limited to one story, it will carry a great deal of heavy equipment which requires a level surface. One report maintains that the telephone company may eventually house equipment there with a value ranging between one and two million dollars.

The foundation project is the first one of its kind in the town proper. The Raymond company, one of the largest in the world, drove the piling for the first river bridge here back in the early twenties. Since that time the company has expanded until it is operating about 500 machines all over the world. It was recently awarded a contract for a \$336 million project overseas.

Now that the piling work has been completed, the contractors. D. J. Rose and Son of Rocky Mount, are pouring concrete for the foundation, a task that is almost certain to require several weeks

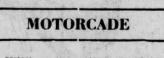
The structure when completed will cost between \$50,000 and \$100,000, it is believed.



The latest adversity is centered Disease appeared in many sec-The last of sixty piling were in a record hail damage. It has tions to cut back much tobacco driven for an addition to the lo- been conservatively estimated that had survived the dry-hot cal telephone building this week, that the insurance companies have weather. Latest estimates declare and workmen are dismantling the paid out approximately \$150,000 that the nematode, the latest inlarge pile driver and making it already and the adjusters are still sect to raise its head in a really ready for shipment by rail to Cal- working in the Parmele-Flat big threatening way, will claim Swamp sections where an esti- right at 20 percent of the crop.

mated 100 claims originated dur-The harvest is late and prospects for quality are mighty diswere said to have been wiped out heartening with some few exceped. No official figure has been by a hail storm in that area the tions, of course.

middle of last week. However, there is one bright After getting off to one of the spot in the outlook, and that is cert and contains some old-time gion's history. most favorable starts in years, the the high price being paid for poor favorites of local band music lovcrop was hardened by coel wea- and medium quality grades on ther in its early growth. Dry wea- those markets now operating.



hand of friendship and welcome on Thursday, August 14, to the rest of the county when it starts the annual Tobacco Motorcade, sponsored by the

Williamston Boosters. Early in the morning of that date approximately 40 cars and trucks will leave Williamston for the northwestern portion of the county, tour the upper end until noon, return to Williamston for lunch and will resume the tour to cover the rest of the

county in the afternoon. The Green Wave Band of Williamston High School, under the direction of Jack Butler, will be an important feature of the motorcade, playing at each of the scheduled stops, which include Hamilton, Oak City, Hassells, Gold Point, Everetts, Bear Grass, Manning and Gurkin's store, Jamesville and Dardens.

A complete list of scheduled stops and the time for each will be announced in next Tuesday's Enterprise.

Two Accidents In 1. 17



Of Greatest Disasters

It Ever Faced

Nashville, Tenn.-The federal

Presented At The Tennis Courts at 8:30

Director Jack Butler last night announced the program for the government reported that a \$500,annual Spring open-air concert of 000,000 drought in the Southeast the Green Wave Band of Wil- and parts of New England will liamston High School to be pre- prevent the nation from reaching sented Wednesday evening of next its agriculture defense goals. week on the all-weather tennis courts at the high school, begin- worked on emergency measures ning at 8:30 o clock."

Containing many marches, the industry and save farmers from program is varied enough to meet financial ruin by one of the most the requirements of a light con- damaging dry spells of the re-Department officials agreed with representatives of drought-

ers. The program opens with a

stricken states at a governmentmarch, "The Cardinal," by Pat sponsored emergency conference Lee, and another march, "Pursuit here that it is too late to avert a Squadron," · by K. L. King, fol-"major blow" to the nation's agri lows. The third number will be culture production. "This is on the verge of being

Clair W. Johnson. Another march, one of the most serious disasters "Salutation," by Seitz, follows. this country 'ever faced," said The balance of the program in- Knox T. Hutchinson, Assistant cludes: "Grandfather's Clock" by Secretary of Agriculture. "It has Is the laborious task of sucker- Clifford P. Barnes; "When You eliminated any chance of reaching ing tobacco soon to be a thing of Wore A Tulip" as arranged by our national production goal for

Lee; "Gallant Cadet", overture by Mr. Hutchinson presided over John Son 1920 (Isability - End Schoold (1950-1994) (Isability - 641) Raub M. Synder of the Nation-"Red Rhythm Valley," a modern al Production and Marketing Adrhythm arrangement by Charles ministration afterward held a

featuring a flag routine if it can sentatives of the southeastern be developed in time for use Wed- states to organize some form of below the average for the month

of the band who have graduated grain from states not hit by the from school here, will participate drought to spare southeastern far- ing to white couples was larger

follows:

"We can justify subsidization

Mr. Hutchinson conferred with

Traffic on the Roanoke River is j Since the gates were closed the

being hampered by low water, and last of June, the Roanoke has boats are finding it difficult to varied hardly a foot in its depth, travel beyond Hamilton. It was holding to a point between three and four feet at this point. It has also pointed out that traffic has been so low that the tide has been stuck on mud flats between backed its way up and beyond here and Hamilton, and that few this point. Because the tide precommercial boats have been able vents the stream from falling beto move any distance beyond low a certain point, traffic from Hamilton recently.

No definite cause for the low has been able to move without en- term opening on Monday, Sepwater has been offered, but it is countering any difficulty. The Department of Agriculture either traceable to the closing of Log barges, traveling above the gates of the Kerr Dam at Hamilton, have been held up often that number nine will be selected to salvage the South's livestock-Buggs Island or the limited rain- when they would fun aground. It fall in the Roanoke Valley this was said that workers would summer. Possibly both factors jump into the stream and help dig have had their influence on the the barges out or use poles to pry water level in the stream.

them loose

J. O. (Blue) Manning has

been named sales supervisor

for the Williamston Tobacco

Market, succeeding Henry A.

Johnson who was forced to

retire on account of his health.

The young supervisor has

been on and around the to-

Bacco market just about all

his life, and is widely known

Bertie Man Faces

ed for trial in the Bertie Record-

18, according to reliable but un-

official information reaching here.

ago and was said to have admitted

impersonating an officer, but de-

nied having ever had a siren on

his car. It was pointed out that

Floyd had almost wrecked the

Robbins car by bumping into it.

Mrs. Robbins reported to Pa-

her infant son and her grand-

mother were stopped early in the

night of July 14 on the Windsor-

Floyd was arrested a few days

in this section.



SALES SUPERVISOR

Average For The Past

Following a rather busy month in June, the Martin County Marriage License Bureau reported quite a decrease in its activities last month. The number of licenses fell from 28 issued in June to fifteen issued last month. The Assuance last month was slightly "hay life" for the suering live- of July during recent years, but

was larger than it was in July of One possibility was to allocate last year. For the third month this year, the number of licenses gomers from ruinous competition than the number issued to colored couples. Last year the number of Disaster areas have been de-licenses issued to colored couples clared in six and parts of two was greater than the number go-

made farmers eligible for emerg- Licenses were issued last month ency loans and other federal ben- in this county, eleven to white

> White Clarence J. Barkley of Eliza beth City and Margaret Joyce

Halstead of Camden. Wheeler Martin Ward September Court Judge Clawson L. Williams

To Preside Over The **Two-Week Term**

Seventy-four citizens were drawn by the county commissioners recently to serve as members of the Martin County Superior Williamston to Albemarle Sound Court jury during the two-week tember 15. Forty were drawn for duty the first week, and out of to serve as members of the grand jury for a year.

Judge Clawson L. Williams of Sanford is to preside over the term which will hear cases of both a criminal and civil nature. It will be the jurist's first visit to the county in an official capacity in five years.

The names of those drawn for jury duty, including several women, include the ollowing:

First Week

Jamesville Township: R. L. Stallings, H. L. Riddick, Ralph Davenport and Arnold Modlin. Williams Township: Joe Lawrence Coltrain.

Griffins Township: Elmo Lilley, James Evan Perry and B. R. Manning

Bear Grass Township: Gussie Harrison, Delmus Rogerson and O. R. Revels.

Williamston Township: Henry A. Roberson, C. U. Rogers, Eli H. Bowen, J. R. Simpson, Roy L. Ward, Sam Pate, Jas. B. McGee, R. Leo Roberson.

Cross Roads Township: J. W Peele.

Robersonville Township: Jarvis Whitfield, A. E. James, L. Wilson Wynne, Miss Fannie H. Crawford, B. A. Rogers, R. C. Alexander.

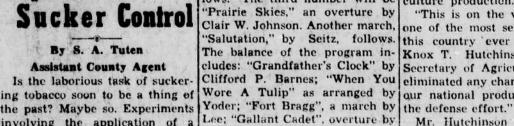
Poplar Point Township: Joe Rogers and E. L. White.

Hamilton Township: Seth Roberson, J. H. Harrell, C. C. Rawls, R. J. Sydenstricker, Mrs. P. S. Williams, Jasper Williams and H. R. Purvis.

Goose Nest Township: William E. Cross, John L. Hassell, Norman Turner, Mayo Harrell and Joseph C. Ross.

Second Week Jamesville Township: J. Carl

Trial August 18 Griffin, Mrs. Camile Fleming Charged with impersonating an Rawls, Mrs. Bettie Hassell, Carl officer and threatening the safety Brown, T. V. Davis, George B. of Mrs. Gus Robbins, formerly Ange and Clyde Glass. of Williamston, and Mrs. Robbins' Griffins Township: Geo. W. infant son, last July 14, Tillery (Continued on page eight) Floyd, Bertie County man, is slat-



involving the application of a mineral oil emulsion look very promising. Several companies are House," a march-foxtrot, arrang- here by Charles F. Brannan, Secproducing the material and ways ed by Walter Beeler; "Colum- retary o Agriculture. bian," a march by K. L. King; and means of applying it are being worked out. The present estimated savings Lee Hill, and a special number strategy session with farm repreof direct cash labor cost is from

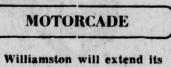
ten to eighteen dollars per acre. And surely, if any crop needs rel nesday. lief, from increasing cost of pro-

As has been previously an- stock industry. duction, it is tobacco. There is nounced, several former members one obstacle, however, which prevents a clear billing for the treatment at this time. Soft rot has in the concert this spring. They occurred in a few experiments uninclude players in every depart- in importing feed. der damp, hot, humid weather ment or section of the band. The conditions. Although no such innames of these have not been rejury has been observed where leased because it is not certain other southeastern states and in ing to white couples only in one tests were made in Martin County, just how many of them will be Maine and Massachusetts and thus month through July.

this year. available Wednesday night but it Some of the growers who have is intended to take the strain off tried the material are: J. A. the regular band members, near- efits to tide them over until next and four to colored couples, as Wynn, Cross Roads community; ly three dozen of whom have had year. Asa Moore, R1 Jamesville; Car- a year or less experience in the lyle Manning, R1 Jamesville; senior unit. The old grads also for a few weeks of dire emergen-

Howard Tyre, R1 Williamston; will be invited to accompany the cy," Mr. Snyder added, "but we James Harrington, Farm Life; K. band on the tobacco motorcade couldn't do it for more."

A. Roberson, RF2 Robersonville next week. All members of the band have farm officials from Georgia, Alaand Jack James also of Rober-i sonville. These test involved from been busy this week as the musi- bama, Kentuck, Mississippi, Tena few hills up to about three cians practiced for the concert nessee, and South Carolina, all acres. Experimental work to de- and the majorettes attended an designated disaster areas because termine the value of chemical



Forced to rent quarters in another building for its business oflices the Carolina Company, a few months ago, bought the Dr. J. H. Saunders building next to its plant on South Smithwick Street and will occupy it just as soon as the lease now held by Radio Station WIAM expires, it is understood.

When work on the new addition is completed and when the building recently purchased is made available, the telephone company, it is believed, will have enough room to take care of any future expansion. Alterations were Bridgeport, Conn., was accommade to the plant less than a year panied by Mrs. Plumb, but neither ago, but the company soon outrew its enlarged quarters.

Income From Fees \$650. Drops In County

After holding to an unusually high figure during the first six months of this year, income from the county fee system dropped considerably last month, according to reports filed recently with e commissioners by the various departmental heads.

The big drop took place in the county court fines and fees. According to Clerk L. B. Wynne, the court accounted for only \$978.05 in July. Only \$440 of the amount represented fines.

Register of Deeds J. Sam Getsinger reported \$420.35 in fees, including \$338.85 for recordings. Sheriff M. W. Hollomna reported 121.00.

MEETING

An important meeting for the organization of a Christian Rural Overseas Program unit in this county is being held in the county courthouse here this evening at \$:00 o'clock. The Rev. Carl R. Key, State director of Durham, is to attend the meeting.

Furne-densiers, launizerseren.ex. and women and church representatives are being asked to ttend the meeting.

Louniy Testerday

No one was injured but propery damage estimated at approximately \$1,000 resulted when two vehicles went out of control and conditions has been underway for turned over on the highways in about two years. This year, tests Driving west on Highway 64

ry tobacco growing county in the about two miles this side of flue-cured belt. A State-wide Jamesville, Donald M. Plumb lost summary of results should be control of his 1952 Ford when it available by the end of the year. ran off the hard surface while passing another vehicle. The ma-

chine turned over. Mr. Plumb, an Another Tobacco engineer of 284 Greystone Road, **Barn Destroyed**

of them was hurt. Investigating A third tobacco barn to be dethe accident, Sgt. Clagon estimat- stroyed in the county so far this ed the damage to the car at about season was burned on Thad New-

some, Jr.,'s farm near Williams-Thirty minutes later at about ton yesterday afternoon at 2:30 scheduled to report for final in- the corn crop was estimated up to Doris Mae Andrews, both of Wil-15 o'clock, Dalma, Gray, Manning, s'clock .. _ ost control of his GMC pick-up The barn, equipped with truck on Highway 17 about three burners, container 680 sticks of

miles south of here, and the mathe farmer's best tobacco. Newchine turned over, missing a large some said he visited the barn oak tree by a narrow margin and about an hour before the fire stopping inches short of a large started, that apparently everypecan tree. Mr. Manning said the thing was in order at that time. rear tires on his truck were slick, No insurance was carried on the causing him to lose control on the

property which was valued at leigh. wet surface. He had to break a about \$1,600.

year is spent.

the present time.

1951 144 69

The following tabulations

offer a comparison of the ac-

eideht trend: first, by corres-

ponding weeks in this year

and last and for each year to

31st Week

Accidents Inj'd Killed Dam'ge

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0 \$ 2,770

\$54,130

33,445

door glass to get out of the overturned truck, but was not injured. Patrolman B. W. Parker investigated the accident. Damage to the truck was estimated at about \$250.

> **Thousands Issued Drivers' Licenses**

Raleigh-Driver licen ing offiials of the Department of Motor es during July.

censes. The examiners collected \$81,the descention instation with way mits during the month. They also reported 528 license suspensions and 929 revocations.

THE RECORD SPEAKS ... The number of motor vehicle accidents on the high-

ways and streets in this county continues to elimb at an alarming rate, and unless checked the count will set an all-time record before the

Vehicles said today their examiners issued 18,915 operators licens-Included in the total were 11, 143 original operators permits; 991 original chauffeurs licenses; 2,697 duplicate operators licenses and 2,412 renewal chauffeurs li-

> 1952 8 5 1051 **Comparisons** To Date 1952 161 35

(Continued on Page Eight) suckering under a wide range of

this county yesterday afternoon. have been made in practically eve- Small-Size Draft designation. **Calls Received**

> Contrary to public announcements, comparatively small-size using winter feed stores and imthis county for August and Sep- normal prices. tember, according to Mrs. Olivia "It will be at least next sum-

board. Thirty-five men are to report for pre-induction examination on gardless of when we get rain." Tuesday, August 19, and seven are

duction on Tuesday, August 25. 20 per cent and cotton faced hea- liamston The first group will travel by vy damage unless rains come oil charter bus.

000.000. The September calls are for 25 men for pre-induction on the 15th, and four for final induction on distressing." September 26.

All men in the groups will report to the service center in Ra-

lief is in sight in the way of desirable, weather."

to 100 per cent.

forces in Germany, Cpl. Caltence nated as a disaster area, however. W. Ange, son of Mr. and Mrs. Levin Ange of the Angetown section in this county, says he is hoping for orders, returning him to his

Stationed at Landstuhl, he drove an ambulance in the 683rd Medical Ambulance Company. Ange has ben in the army almost four years, re-enlisting last Sepstate has been "severe".

He said he had met a few boys

The Martin County AMVETS Guiden of Tellion for it state Post 61, will meet Tuesday night, and Critcher got together and ex- August 12, at 8:00 at the courtchanged The Enterprise and the house. All officers and members are urged to attend. Roanoke Beacon.

dred Chapman, both of Williams ton.

Martin S. Gentry of RFD 1, An intensive training school being of crop damages ranging from 20 son, Texas, and Dorothy Leona Waters of Jamesville.

> Garland Leo Simpson and Shir-In addition, 44 counties of Missouri and 27, Arkansas counties ley Jean Elks, both of Williamston. were given the "disaster areas" Earl C. Williamson and Dorothy

> Cherry, both of Williamston. In Tennessee S. E. Johnson, Rush W. Bondurant, Jr., and Germantown rancher, said his herd was losing weight up to 200 Mary Carolyn Leggett, both of Williamston pounds a head although he was

Robert Spencer Jordan and draft calls have been received in porting hay at almost twice the Doris Marie Stevenson, both of Newport News. Eli Wynne of Williamston and

Handy, clerk to the county draft mer before they regain top pro- Fannie Alice Modlin of Jamesduction," the rancher said. "We'll ville.

Marvin Keel and Helen Webb, be paying for this next year. . .reboth of Williamston. In Georgia, where damage to Charles James Brady, Jr., and

Leigh Peter Showalter of Clif-

soon, losses were placed at \$200,ton Forge, Va., and Jean Carol Moore of Windsor. Mr. Hutchinson called the out-Colored

look for the next 12 months "very Charles B. Taylor and Loulene Brown, both of Williamston. James Curtis Perkins and Thelma Marie Baker, both of RFD 1, Stokes.

Paul Cherry of Hassell and Joanna Dowdy of Washington. Thurman Rodgers and Ruby Lee Rodgers, both of Williamston.

WOUNDED

Pvt. Willie C. Hassell, son of Eva Hassell of RFD 3, Williamston, and the late John Hassell, was wounded in action in Korea last Thursday, July 31, according to a message received by his mother yesterday. Few details were mentioned in the message, but he is in a hospital in Japan at the present time.

Pvt. Hassell entered the service September 5, 1951, and went overseas last April.

The young man is the 21st known Martin County casualty of the war. The casualty report was the first received in this county in about five months.

er's Court at Windsor on August Defense Peak Is Certain In 1953

A study of the demands for goods and services after current defense goals have been reached was ordered in July by the Commerce Department. Peak production in the present defense buildup is expected about mid-1953. trolman Jack Thomas that she, Commenting on the proposed appraisal due for January publication, Secretary of Commerce Charles Sawyer said:

Aulander road by a youth who The Korean emergency, just as claimed to be an officer. Reportother emergency situations, has ing the series of misdemeanors shown the amazing moductive to the police, Mrs. Robbins said capacity of the United States ec-Floyd followed her car which onomy. It is my hope and thought kept blowing a siren. Looking in that this study will give the busthe rear view mirror, Mrs. Robinessmen of America the informabins said the Floyd car did not tion they need to convert and look like a patrol or police car maintain this high productivity and that she kept driving until for civilian peacetime pursuits she reached a lighted spot at the once the present defense goals Woodard road. When she stopped, are reached. With our defense the other car pulled over and needs met, the basic objective of Floyd got out and approached all Americans should be to see to her car, declaring he was an of- it that we are as capable in using ficer and asking why she did not our economic might for useful peacetime pursuits.

INTERRUPTION

Virginia Electric and Power **Company** officials announced today that there will be a service interruption in this area Sunday morning from 4:30 to 6:30 o'clock to make preliminary connections to the new 110,000-volt substation near Williamston. The company plans to place the new substation in operation on or about Friday of next week.

The Sunday morning interruption will affect Robersonville, Everetts, Williamsten, Plymouth, Roper. Creswell and Comminista and all the tributary lines from the points.

car several times before she neared Windsor where the Floyd car turned off into a dirt road. Having heard similar complaints, partolmen ,sheriff's officers and Windsor police arrested Floyd and he was brought here

and identified. Vet Aid To Rise With

Mrs. Robbins told Floyd he did

not look like an officer, and she

drove away. Floyd followed,

bumping the rear bumper of her

heed his siren.

Next Check Issuance

About 120,000 blind, crippled and tubercular veterans of all wars and peacetime service will receive increased monthly payments, beginning with compensa ion checks due September 1st. under a bill recently signed by President Truman.

"There is no hope to recover the crops even if it rained today,' Mr. Hutchinson said, "and no re-

In the entire South, the only threatened crop to get rain in time to show an improved out-

look was the North Carolina tobacco harvest, but the damage to it was estimated as high as \$100,-000,000. This state was not desig-

A Tennessee farm official said the state's livestock industry will need 3,000,000 tons of extra hay during the next eight months, but farmers cannot afford the price

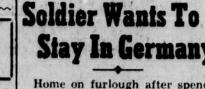
without low-interest loans. In Mississippi the drought damage was officially called the "worst on record". A Missouri official said damage to feed crops in the southeastern part of the

AMVETS TO MEET

tember for an additional six-year

from this county, including James Modlin of Jamesville and Morton





foreign post.

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