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## Highest Sale Of Season Reported Here On Monday

Slight Improvement Noted In Both Quality And Tobacco Prices

Williamston tobacco market sales this morning passed the eight million-pound mark, following a comparatively large sale yesterday when prices reached the second highest average of the

The 292,064 pounds sold here yesterday averaged right at \$53.00 per hundred pounds, the average falling 31 cents per hundred pounds below the \$53.31 average recorded for last Thursday's sale. At the close of the sales yesterday, the market had sold 7,907,052 ounds for an average right at

\$50.00 per hundred pounds. A report on the markets in the entire belt for the week ending last Friday, as released by the State and Federal Departments of Agriculture, follows:

co markets last week showed av- ber 20, it was announced today erage prices steady to slightly by B. G. Stewart, president of the higher than for the previous group. an average of \$50.60. The general successful season.

low quality leaf was smaller. Wynne, treasurer, lugs, cutters and smoking leaf Directors include: Mrs. W. K. candidacy for district highway increased in proportion. The ra- Parker, Mrs. W. C. Manning, Jr., commissioner. consisted of common to good leaf, Miss Lissie Pearce, Mrs. Herman purchase of a special type tracfair lugs, nondescript, fair smok- Bowen and Mrs. Charles H. Man- tor with a loader. The bid, \$1,990

Stabilization Corporation under Norman, both of Robersonville; the week amounted to about 11 Mrs. Edith A. Tarkington of Evefor the season stand at around 10 Oak City.

same number of sales days been named. amounted to 887,363,041 pounds for a \$50.54 average.

#### **Jaycees To Stage** Minstrel Talent

An old time minstrel with modern touches will be staged here on the evenings of October 14 and 15 by the local Jaycees, assisted by outstanding talent from Washington and Williamston.

Directed by Rufus Armstrong, genial manager of Radio Station WIAM, the minstrel cast includes end man, George Corey, Pete Rogen, Chief Mangum, and Rufus Armstrong with James Bullock acting as interlocutor. This group will be ably assisted by other members of the local Jaycees and minstrel maids recruited from the local high school.

A very entertaining variety of other acts is promised for the show. Among these will be an outstanding tap dancing routine by Miss Martha Saleeby of Washington. The Stanley School of Dancing of Williamston and the Washington will also provide

strel will bring to Williamston minor, it was reported. seen on the local stage.

#### DEMOCRATS

Members of the Martin County Democratic Executive Committee, including precinct chairmen, co-chairmen and committeemen in all thirteen districts, are to meet in the county courthouse on Friday night of this week at 7:30 o'clock, Cornty Chairman Jim Gray announced today.

Important business will be discussed at the call meeting, the chairman explained, and all the party officials are earnestly urged to attend.

## To Start Drive For Community Concert Series

Seeking Six Hundred Members For The 1952-53 Concert Association

The annual drive for member ships in the Martin County Com-Most grades offered on Eastern munity Concert Association will North Carolina flue-cured tobac- be held during the week of Octo-

week. The Federal-State Market The Drive will get underway News Service reports gross sales with a banquet for the campaign for the week totaled 45,206,829 workers on Monday night, Octopounds and averaged \$52.17 per ber 20, and their goal this year hundred. This average was \$1.16 is 500 members. A program of above the previous high for this three well-known artists to be season which was set last week. presented during the coming sea-Volume declined about 6.5 mil-son is planned. This is the third lion pounds. So far this season year the concert series will be 282,062,486 pounds have sold for held and indications point to a

mostly \$1.00 to \$2.00 a hundred, ficers, directors and committee the town \$23,132.50 a year. with a few as much as \$3.00 high- chairmen. The officers in addition A petition was received for er. Losses of around \$1.00 occur- to Mr. Stewart are as follows: curb and gutter and black top on red for several offerings-mainly Mrs. Mayo Little and L. Bruce Reddick Street between Church lower quality leaf and nonde- Wynne, vice - presidents. Mrs. and White Streets. The percentage of common and The percentage o

Deliveries to the Flue-cured dames Clinton House and Glenn bid.

Committe Chairmen are as fol-Gross sales in all flue-cured lows: Alford Sweatt, Publicity; types through the month of Sep- C. B. Clark, appointments; Mestember totaled 829,563, 624 pounds dames D. R. Davis and C. I. Hareveraging \$50.69 a hundred. Based ris, transportation; Mrs. Wheeler on the latest crop estimate and af- Martin, campaign dinner; Rev. ter allowing for resales, this and Mrs. John L. Goff, hospitalvolume indicates that 54 per cent ity and Mr. Jack Howells, of the of the 1952 flue-cured crop has Concert Headquarters, Headquarbeen sold. In 1951 gross sales in ters Representative. The Headall flue-cured types during the quarters secretary has not yet

Again this year, the lobby of (Continued on Page Eight)

### Victim Of Old Car Wreck Dies

Vincent J. Ferris, New York there a short time ago, according briefly. to information received here vesterday. Uremic poisoning, believed to have resulted from injuries about to the half way mark, and received in the accident, was said the leaders are asking for an into have caused his death.

Ferris, connected prominently in New York State politics, was or three weeks. head of the State Liquor Authority. He was a patient in a local hospital for several weeks.

#### Fire Alarm Sounded Here Monday Afternoon

Volunteer firemen were called to the Rupert Cowan home here on West Main Street at 3:00 Armstrong School of Dancing of o'clock yesterday afternoon when a transformer in a television set dancing talent for the big event. | shorted out and fired the machine. Indications are that this min- Damage, confined to the set, was

during the "hot" baseball game. Conklin conducted the rites.

Commission Agrees to Pave Sycamore Street Under **Certain Conditions** 

meeting last evening, Williamston's town commissioners were advised that the highway commission had conditionally agreed to pave Sycamore Street from Main to Washington Street, the connecting link to relieve Highway 64 traffic on the down town

The town is to provide a 36-foot street, drainage and curb and gutter. The commission also recomstop lights, one at the intersection of Washington and Sycamore and the other at the intersection of Main and Sycamore. No estimate on the drainage and curb gutter osts could be had, but the street paving will cost possibly \$30,000.

Traffic conditions as they exist in the warehouse district where Washington and Haughton Streets offer a crazy pattern, plus traffic out of the warehouse drive were discussed, but no definite solution of the problem was reached. The installation of four individual traffic signals was suggested, but it was admitted that the conditions as they exist now would be little relieved. The cost of the signals, exclusive of wire and installation, was placed at \$581.42. Traffic experts have pointed out that only the shifting of traffic to other streets or a truck route could relieve the congestion and alleviate the danger there.

An order was passed, directing the police to have the police car available every minute of the day and night to radio call, and perquality of offerings continued to. In announcing the date of the sonal use of the machine is to be campaign, Mr. Stewart also re- limited. It was pointed out that

tio of good and fair tobacco was Mrs. B. A. Critcher, Jr., Mrs. A contract was let to the Wilalso larger. Principal marketings Wheeler Martin, Francis Manning, liamston Motor Company for the ning, all of Williamston; Mes- was about \$155 below the second mouth about 2 years ago to make

A final accounting was received the Government loan program for Mrs. W. C. House of Hamilton; on the latest sewer line extension project, the cost amounting to per cent of gross sales. Receipts retts and Miss Nancy Worsley of \$17,665.21. The project, recently, completed, depleted the sewer fund and left it in the red by

about \$3,000 Treasurer C. M. Cobb reported \$75,591.17 cash on hand, including \$30,812.90 street funds. The

sewer rentals last month amount-(Continued on Page Eight)

# Farm Bureau Had Oak City Meeting

Chas. L. Daniel, president of the

dressed a meeting of the organi- C. Byrum. zation in the Oak City High School auditorium last Friday evening. He outlined the work and objectives of the organization for drunken driving and operat- brothers, Joe H. Bland of Roberman who was critically injured in and pleaded for its support. John ing a motor vehicle without a sonville, and John Bland of an automobile accident at Corey's Hassell, agriculture teacher in the Cross Roads on Highway 17 about school, and S. T. Everett, a leader two years ago, died in a hospital in the organization, also talked

The membership drive now un der way in the county is just creased support to carry the drive over the top within the next two

The organization will hold meeting in Williamston on Friday of this week and next Friday a either in Jamesville or Bear Grass, it was announced.

#### Funeral Held Friday For Brandon Infant

Woodlawn Cemetery here Friday Bunting knocked on the Jones The officers said that for a time Ashley Wynne of Everetts. afternoon at 4:00 o'clock for the door. When Deputy Rawls made it looked as if the house was goone-day-old son of Mr. and Mrs. T. known his identity, bedlam broke ing to burn down, that it was a B. Brandn, Jr. The Rev. R. E. loose. Someone threw a gallon of hot time there for a few minutes. chapel last Thursday afternoon at Greely Outlaw of Williamston; served as judges. Sears Roebuck a variety of entertainment seldom | The transformer caught fire | Walston and the Rev. E. Gordon | white liquor into a stove with a | No estimate on the damage

county, was given the green light While three or four property at a preliminary hearing held be- owners withheld their signatures Holding their regular monthly the preliminary survey submitted the project. Only a few were in complete the engineering work the preliminary work. which will be followed by a sec- Designed to drain approximateond and final hearing.

mended the installation of two of the health and welfare of all Swamp area.

# the largest ever proposed in this it will prove highly beneficial.

fore Clerk L. B. Wynne in the when the petition was circulated, courthouse Monday morning, it was reliably learned that they With one or two minor exceptions, would not offer any opposition to by Engineer Tom Rivers and attendance upn the hearing, and the Martin County Recorder's Messrs, J. H. Lillard and G. A. it was learned that a large major- Court in a comparatively short Oglesby, members of the board of ity of both the owners and acreviewers, was formally approved, ages represented favor the proand orders were issued for the ject, that the town of Robersoncompletion of a detailed survey. ville had already advanced ap-Several months will be needed to proximately \$750 to help finance

ly 25,000 acres of land, the pro-It was pointed out Monday that ject will run from a point near the project is practical and is be- Burr Bridge to Parmele, following advanced in the best interest ing, for the most part, the Flat

Jamesville's Community Fair

believed to have affected the at-

parts of the county.

Jamesville Rhythm Band.

For Mrs. Warren

Allen Warren in 1923. She was a

member of the Cross Roads

Surviving besides her husband

are, a daughter, Mrs. Rupert M.

Brown of Baltimore, Md.; a son,

Church for a number of years.

#### Jamesville Fair PREPARING **Held Last Week**

Congressman Herbert Bonner and Henry Oglesby, his secretary, are touring this the First Congressional District. planning and preparing for the big Democratic Rally in Robersonville on Thursday, October 23.

"We are looking for one of the best district meetings in the entire State," Congressman Bonner said this morning as he distributed large pictures of the Democratic Party's standard bearers.

# **Native Of County** Died In Plymouth

Mrs. George T. Barden, the for- have addressed the fair visitors, mer Miss Mittie Gurkin of this was unable to attend on account county, died at the home of her of illness. A Corey, H. G. Horton son, George T. Barden, in Ply- and Clarence W. Griffin occumouth Sunday morning at 5:00 auditorium and pinch-hitting with Gains in grade averages were leased the complete roster of of- the police department is costing o'clock following a four-month Farmer Carl Griffin presiding.

> The daughter of the late Warren W. and Mary E. McCaskey Gurkin, she was born in Jamesville Township 77 years ago and figured prominently in civic and religious affairs. Following her marriage she lived in Dardens a Funeral Sunday few years, moving to Norfolk and later to Kinston. After her husband's death she moved to Ply-

Surviving besides her son, are a daughter, Mrs. W. K. Taylor, of Kinston; a sister, Mrs. Macon Norman, of Plymouth, and two brothers, L. W. Gurkin of Ply- Grass last Friday evening at 8:15 mouth, and John A. Gurkin, former mayor of Norfolk.

The Funeral service was conducted in the Methodist Church metery in Cross Roads Township. costs. at Plymouth Monday afternoon at church cemetery there.

#### Stolen Car Recovered In The County Sunday

An old-model car, stolen in Robersonville late Friday night or William Stanley Warren, Jr., of early Saturday morning, was re- the U.S. Air Force now stationed covered near Williamston on in Japan; three stepdaughters. Martin County Farm Bureau, ad- Highway 17 Saturday by Cpl. M. Mrs. G. Rufus Cherry of Wilson, of this section and retired Tran-

friends, was arrested and charg- the home; a stepson, J. Allen ington, Kentucky, last Tuesday. ed with the theft and also booked Warren, Jr., of Wilson and two driver's license.

#### Grimesland. Liquor Dealer Jumps from "Frying Pan" Into the Fire

led to the Jones home.

Graveside services were held in mond Rawls and Officer Garland county Court Saturday night. hot bed of coals. A half-gallon jar could be had immediately.

Bernice Jones, charged with was also thrown into the stove. violating the liquor laws, literal- Seconds later the fire found the ly jumped from the "frying pan" liquor too hot to handle and an was also a member of the Board was active in its work for a long ly jumped from the Trying pan explosion followed. The burning of Adjustment, Central Christian time. Church, and the Kiwanis Club in in on his home in Oak City last room, firing the carpet, curtains Lexington. sectional meeting is to be held Saturday night about 10:30 and chairs. The officers moved in o'clock. After eight persons were to help put out the fire, Deputy former Iva Filler; a daughter, Surviving his first marriage are a fus C. Ward, sold for \$3.50 each. jailed for public drunkenness, of- Rawls finding a mop and picking Mrs. Royston W. Moore of Housficers started a back trail which up about half pint of the fluid ton, Texas; a son, James L. Leg- News, and a daughter, Mrs. W. A. Thurston Gainer, and Earnest for evidence.

"Who dat?" was the question Jones was placed under a \$50 asked when Deputy Sheriff Ray- bond for his appearance in the

Fines Add Up To \$290: Twelve Speeders Enter Plea Of Guilty

Thirty cases were handled in time last Saturday morning. Judge R. T. Johnson imposed fines in the sum of \$290. Twelve of the defendants were charged with speeding Proceedings:

ty of issuing a worthless check was sentenced to the roads for thirty days. The road term was suspended upon the payment of the costs and the amount of the

Richard Mobley, pleading guil

costs for an assault. Pleading not guilty, Vance Price was adjudged guilty of as saulting a female and drew nine ty days on the roads. He appealed sponsored by the Ruritan Club and \$100 bond was required.

Leo Towns was taxed with the

there, was held last Friday. While Pleading guilty of violating the the exhibits measured up to exliquor laws, Lee W. Cobb was pectations and reflected healthy sentenced to the roads for thirty agricultural conditions in that days, the court suspending the part f the county, the number of sentence upon the payment of the visitors fell below the high mark court costs. established a year ago, it was re-

Charged with trespassing and ported. The busy farming season threatening life, George J. Jones with tobacco marketing and the pleaded guilty of trespassing and peanut harvest going full blast, is judgment was suspended upon the payment of the costs. tendance. However, there was a

representative group from all For the second year, the management was disappointed in its speaking appointment. Congressand \$5 a week for the support of months. man Herbert Bonner, who was to

on account of the statute of limi-The case charging Bermon Bri-The fair was formally opened

by a parade, featuring Williamsuntil next Monday. ton's High School band and the

Hubert Brown, pleading guilty Following the program in the auditorium, Jamesville's up and roads for six months, the court 1917. Surviving that union are lowing the police car and decided quest calling for a recommendation in support of R. B. Nelson's taught in the county schools and tral High School.

| The description of the county schools and the county schools and the county schools and training to the county schools and the county schools and training to the county schools and the county schools are considered as the county schools and the county schools are considered as the county school \$3 a week on the midwife's bill. George Perry was fined \$50, plus costs, for carrying a conceal-

> ed weapon. Charged with non-support, James Lee Ampley pleaded guil-Funeral services were conduct- ty and was sentenced to the roads ed in the church at Cross Roads for six months. The road term Sunday afternoon at 4:00 o'clock was suspended upon the payment for Mrs. Lucy Bland Warren, 54, of the court costs and \$12 a week who died at her home near Bear support for his two children.

> Booked for operating a motor o'clock. The pastor, the Rev. P. vehicle while his driver's license E. Cayton, conducted the rites and was revoked, Delmua Darrell interment was in the Ausbon Ce- | Williams was fined \$200, plus Mrs. Warren was the daughter

Judgment was suspended upon 2:30 o'clock by the Rev. D. L. of the late William Asa and Lucy the payment of the costs in the Baptist minister. Interment was son car jumped a ditch and turn-Fouts. Interment was in the Ausbon Bland, and married James case in which James H. Downing in the Lilley Cemetery, not far ed over, injuring Mrs. Glisson's (Continued on Page Eight)

#### James L. Leggett **Dies In Kentucky**

James L. Leggett, Sr., a native Mrs. Russell Garrett of Elm City, sylvania College professor, died of Charlie Banks, joy riding with and Mrs. Walter C. Wynn of near a heart attack at his home in Lex-A son of the late William and

Holland Woolard Leggett, he was born at Batts Cross Roads near the Beaufort-Martin line, 67 years ago, and spent his early life on the farm. Educated at Lynchburg. Valparasio University and Peabody Teachers' College, he taught at East Carolina Teachers College before going to the Kentucky institution more than a quarter century ago to head the departments of education and psychology. He

Surviving are his widow, the gett, Jr., of Lafayette, Indiana; Roberson of Williamston. Sur- Wynn won blue ribbons. George three sisters, Mrs. Zena James of viving the second marriage are Griffin, Eugene Williams, and Au-Washington, Mrs. Hoyt Roberson five children, Mrs. J. M. Terry, lander Wilkins won red ribbons, of RFD 2, Williamston, and Mrs. Grover L. Terry and Mrs. W. C. Valeria Teele, Mary Spruill, Edrol

the Lexington Cemetery.

# Eight Million Figure Town Authorities In Regular Meet In County Given Approval Here Last Night Tentative Drainage Plans Recorder's Court Saturday Morning County Auto Wrecks A third drainage project, one of those in the district, and that Saturday Morning County Auto Wrecks

#### WARNING

A timely and meaningful warning was issued by the State Highway Patrol office in this county yesterday. All owners who allow hogs and other livestock to run at large will be made subject to prosecution in the courts.

Several accidents have been chargeable to loose hogs and other stock in the county, and farmers are urgently requested to make their fences secure in an effort to keep stock off the roads and eliminate traffic hazards.

The danger is aggravated each fall season when hogs are turned loose in peanut

# Robert E. Lilley Died at His Home In County Friday

Funeral Held In Griffins Township Saturday For Retired Farmer

He taught school for a short time investigation. lowman.

ren Barber of Williamston; four age to Sheppard's car at \$500.

ed at the home last Saturday affrom his home.

great-grandchildren.

# **Funeral Sunday** For John Terry

Funeral services were conduct ed at the Rose of Sharon Free Will Baptist Church near Bear Grass Sunday afternoon at 2:00 o'clock for John E. (Bud) Terry Highway 4 about 7:30 o'clock Satwho died at his home in Leggett's Cross Roads just across the Martin County line in Beaufort last Friday evening at 8:00 o'clock. The Rev. Mr. Little, pastor, conducted the rites and interment was in the church cemetery.

Mr. Terry was born 80 years ago on January 28, 1872, and spent most of his life on the farm in the Leggett's Cross Roads community. In early manhood he joined the Rose of Sharon Church and

He was first married to Marcella Caraway and following her death he married Willie Jenkins. son, Joseph C. Terry of Newport | Rufus C. Ward, William Dugger, Keatts, all of Newport News, Mrs. Wynn and J. C. Rodgers won Funeral services were conduct- B. G. Harrison and Garland Terry white ribbons. Mr. Parrish, and ed in a Lexington funeral home both of the home; a sister, Mrs. Mills Extension Poultry Specialist 2:00 o'clock, and interment was in twelve grandchildren and six and Company of Rocky Mount great-grandchildren.

## Six Accidents On County Highways In Past Few Days

Driver Of One Car Still At Large Following Escape From Accident Scene

At least nine persons were injured, two seriously and two others badly in two automobile accidents on the highways in this county early Saturday evening. The two Saturday night wrecks were rated as the most serious in a series of seven reported by member sof the highway patrol during the past few days.

Five of the victims, Maurice Roberson, Mrs. Roberson, Jerry Roberson, Mrs. Billie White Stalls and her seven-year-old son, Billie, Jr., continued in a local hospital today. However, it was reported that they were improving and all are expected to recover if no complications develop. Most of the other victims were discharged from the hospital following treatment, including Mr. and Mrs. Roberson's two daughters, Donna, 4, and Linda, 7.

The first in the latest series of Robert Eason Lilley, retired wrecks was reported last Wedfarmer and a well-known citizen nesday night on Highway 64 Pleading guilty of bastardy, of Griffins Township, died at his about one-half mile west of Fletcher Ampley was sentenced home there at 3:15 o'clock Friday Jamesville. Robert Staton, driving to the roads for six months, the morning after a long period of a dump truck belonging to R. E. court suspending the road term declining health. He had been Weston, started to make a left upon the payment of the costs confined to his bed for eight turn just at James Albert Smith-A son of the late William Hen- pass. Smithwick's 1949 Ford hit The case in which Charlie ry and Etta Roberson Lilley, he the truck in the rear, injuring no Jones, Jr., was charged with bas- was born in Griffins Township one badly and causing about \$100 tardy and non-support of his two 85 years ago on November 16, damage to the car, according to children, was thrown out of court 1866, and lived there all his life. Cpl. M. C. Byrum who made the

years ago, but devoted most of Friday night at 8:30 o'clock his life to farming, living hum- Williamston's police officers, ley with bastardy, was continued bly and peacefully with his fel- Perry and Moore were cruising In early manhood he was mar- bus Sheppard, driving a 1941 Ponof bastardy, was sentenced to the ried to Nancy Peel who died in tiac, passed a car that was fola son, Robert D. Lilley, of Grif-model police vehicle, causing fins Township. His second mar- about \$200 damage to the offiriage was to Lucy Griffin in 1718, cers' car. Sheppard then lost conand she survives with two dau- trol of his own car which swervghters, Esther Mary Lilley of the ed to the left and then back across nome and Mrs. Nancy Vernon the road to the right, tearing into Lawrence of Windsor. Also sur- a crape myrtle tree and wreckviving are two brothers, Samuel ing his machine beyond repair J. and Simon Lilley, both of Grif- Investigating the accident, Cpl fins Township; a sister, Mrs. War- M. C. Byrum estimated the dam-

> grandchildren; seven greatgrandchildren, and three great- o'clock, Melvin A. Glisson was driving his 1937 Chevrolet from Funeral services were conduct- Bear Grass toward Cross Roads when Willie Wiggins, allegedly ternoon at 2:30 o'clock by the passing another car, forced the Rev. W. B. Harrington, county Glisson car off the road. The Glisknee. She was released from the automobile after the cut on her knee was sewed up. Patrolman B. W. Parker made the investiga-

Completing his day's work in Worrell's appliance store, Maurice his family when a large 1950 Buick went wild on the newly opened stretch or road just bevond Sweet Water Creek on (Continued on Page Five)

# **Pullet Show Held** Friday Morning

Martin County Negro 4-H club members held their second pullet show and sale at the county agriculture building Friday morn-

Eleven club members who make up the poultry chain entered seven pullets each. The 77 pullets averaged \$2.45 each. The champion pen of pullets raised by Ru-

gave \$49.00 in prize money.