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tee Investigating Waste In Defense Dept.

al Operations which is the inves- few days. tigating body for the House of Re-I have regretfully given up the especially in the Department of hard work since there are thousands of military installations all over the world. Also the organi- caused some of the hog deaths day. zation is tremendous and involved. We listed in one of our reports 640 committees and boards of various kinds in the Office of the Secretary of Defense alone. There are hundreds of pieces of legislation that apply to the mili-

lawyers to interpret. The services also have some 3.6 million officers and enlisted men and 1.3 million civilian employees. They have assets of 146 billion dollars and spend 59 per cent of the annual budget of 79 or 80 billion dollars. The job of understanding this big organization requires days and months of intensive study, plodding through installations and detailed hearings.

tary services that take dozens of

Except in a few cases I cannot criticize individual military pe ple. They are capable, well-trained, intelligent and devoted to duty which is the protection of our country. What is wrong is in the organization of the system. It must be strengthened and streamlined if we are to have defense without economic collapse.

As Chairman of the so-called "Bonner Watchdog Subcommitvestment the taxpayers can make gating economy and efficiency in the Department of Defense.

During a 4-year period my subcommittee spent only \$50,000, but we saved at least \$400 million through direct appropriation cuts. Our reports and recommendations describing the newly-erected phy- ly the aunt did not know that it also laid the foundation for legis- sical education plant and plans for was unlawful in this State for a lation and directives that will save

billions of dollars. Of much greater importance than the cuts has been the continuing influence on the Department of Defense to improve its organization and management. In speaking of the subcommittee's work Secretary of Defense Lovett stat-

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Biggs Is Awarded DFC For Bravery Taylor, Messrs. D. L. Simmons, stop the aunt.

has been awarded to T/Sgt. Curtis Hassell, W. L. Osborne, Roberson- clothes locked in it. The order, Biggs, son of Mrs. Sallie Biggs, ville, J. M. Hassell, Merry Hill, directing the patrol to stop the formerly of Robersonville.

Biggs the DFC were published the day before Christmas. He received the Air Force's high award for his efforts in saving a C-124 Bound Over For Globemaster in flight. On October 9, 1952, his plane was returning from Korea to Japan when a fire was discovered in the number one engine of the 124. It was Biggs' duty to check each engine at intervals. After notifying the night bound Augustus Williams lina. pilot of the trouble, and after the over to the county court for asengine fire extinguishers were un- saulting James Henry Wiggins day afternoon bus for South Carable to control it, Biggs crawled with a knife. Bond was fixed in fifteen feet inside the wing and the sum of \$100. battled the blaze for thirty-five | Pleading not guilty, Williams minutes with hand fire extin- did not take the stand, and the

At all times he was in danger by a several-stitch gash in Wigof either being severely burned gins' hip, was not revealed. Wilor suffocating by fleadly carbon liams was said to have been ready Religious Leader Here monoxide fumes. He put the safe- to pay the costs in the justice's ty of the aricraft and its one hun- court, but Judge Mobley explaindred and thirty five passangers ed that it was not within his above that of his own life. His ef- jurisdiction to settle it. forts saved the aircraft from al-

most certain disaster. as first engineer on C-124 flights. last Saturday night. He is married to the former! Saying she was attacked by a

Reviews Work of Commit- in this county, according to in- steps against that disease. formation released yesterday by Suspending activities voluntar-Assistant County Agent D. W. this county continue closed to Brady. It has been estimated day as a result of the presence With the change in administra- that 1,000 or more hogs have died of vesicular exanthema reported tions I have had to decide whether in the county during recent in the Smithfield area. Several of Hassell last Saturday evening, to be a member of the Committee weeks, one farmer, Tom Bell, of farmers found it necessary to on Merchant Marine and Fisheries the Oak City area, reporting a turn back and carry their hogs or the Committee on Government- loss of 67 pigs during the past home from the markets when op-

Agent Brady, declaring there Hogs were shipped from Smithpresentatives. I have decided to is little or no evidence in this field to Richmond and the packstay with the former on account county of the dangerous disease ers in the Virginia city went off of its importance to my District. called vesicular exanthema, be- the market. Specialists are worklieves the hogs deaths can be ing on the disease, described as investigating committee work traced mainly to pneumonia and being similar to the hoof and as a bone" in two other spots—a which can do so much for the peo- other diseases resulting from a mouth disease among cattle, and store and a private home. ple of the United States if the weakened condition of the anim- have ruled out any danger. The members will bore into the mass als brought about by unbalanced markets have reopened over the of details in the Government, diets and the consumption of State, and activities will be resour or decayed peanuts and soy sumed in Virginia late today. Defense and lay bare the ineffi- beans. The heaviest single loss in Prices on the local market when ciencies and waste to the Con- one herd of hogs, was reported buying was resumed this morn gress. This takes long hours of some time ago by M. L. Peel and ing at 10:30 o'clock stood at 18.50, son who lost 120 pigs.

SEED BEDS

With favorable weather

prevailing, a majority of Mar-

tin County farmers will have

seeded their tobacco plant

beds by the end of this or ear-

ly next week. Quite a few

have already sowed the seeds

and placed the canvas on

A few farmers are experi-

menting with the gas treat-

ment, but most of them are

depending upon plain old

weed killer and gambling on

nematode damage.

er of the organization.

and Mr. Hassell of Oak City.

A Knife Assault

Finding probable cause of guilt,

Justice Chas. R. Moblev last

erations were suspended.

or about 25 cents a hundred be-Cholera is believed to have low the closing figure last Fri-

Relatives Quarrel **And Delay Travel**

Tramps of the road, speeders with little or no money, and the general run of hard luck cases have presented local police with problems week in and week out but officers reported something new Sunday morning when a family quarreled and the trip south was delayed the 'greater part of two days for a man, his wife and his aunt.

"There's something suspicious about it all," Chief John Roebuck declared when he learned Richard J. Murad, Mrs. Murad and an aunt, Catherine Chaterdon of 38 Sedwick Street, Ja-Choose Officers maica Plain, Massachusetts, had left town late yesterday aftermaica Plain, Massachusetts, had noon and this morning. "We un-W. B. Gaylord, Jr., of Williams- derstand they left," the officers ton, was elected president of the said, explaining that they had

Martin County Campbell College disappeared. The officers were called into Alumni Association when the the case without knowledge of tee" for 4 years, I have come to group was organized at a dinner the trouble. Murad was quoted meeting in Williamston Thursday as saying that he had driven night. John L. Hassell of Oak City became vice president and stop for rest against the wishes Mrs. D. W. Manning of Williams- of his aunt. She was said to have ton was named secretary-treasur- advised the nephew that she 9:15 o'clock Sunday night. would report him for operating a Dr. Leslie Campbell, president motor vehicle without a license of the college, spoke to the group if he did not prepare for the road traffic light, and David Brown, on the growth of the institution, within twenty minutes. Apparenta new dormitory for women stud- person to allow an unlicensed driver to operate a car.

Dr. V. E. Brown, Williamston - Later in the morning, the aunt man recently elected trustee of had the car moved, and Murad the college, spoke briefly and C. and his wife thought they were W. Hart, public relations director stranded. He turned to the po-1 made the investigation. of the college, showed color slides lice again, explaining that he did of college events and buildings. | not want to indict his aunt for Present for the meeting held in stealing the car, that he was wirhe George Reynolds Hotel were ing his mother for instructions Dr. Brown, Mr. Gaylord, Mrs. and money. Finally, about 4:30 Manning, Messrs. N. Cortez Green, o'clock Sunday afternoon, Murad back on the hard surface. The Ralph Mobley, Worth Mobley, W. charged the aunt with taking the truck turned over, causing about Chesley Jones, and Eli M. Taylor, car and his clothes, and the Mrs. Mamie G. Taylor, Mrs. Will highway patrol was advised to

Sidney Beacham, J. T. Barnhill, Later that day, the car was Jr., William Ira Harrison, all of found parked in a car lot here Reuben L. Bailey, Everetts, and aunt, was cancelled, and Murad The orders granting Sergeant W. Herman Everett, Hamilton, took the license tags off the car and turned them over to police.

During their investigation, officers said they were advised was badly cut on his left hand in that Murad was supposed to have a hatchet accident on West Main made the payment on the car, the Street last Saturday noon. aunt claiming that she advanced him the money to make the payment. The aunt was planning on to climb an umbrella tree that going to Florida and Murad want- young Sullivan was chopping on ed to go to Aiken, South Caro-

olina, and Murad went to the the knuckles and severing the tenopen road, depending on his dons. He was released from a lothumb to get him to South Carolina, presumably. The aunt was cause of the argument, climaxed said to have continued south in the car this morning.

For Short Stay Sunday

The Rev. Ross Allen, secretary the Christian church during the the company last evening. His road to St. Lo.

Old-Time Bootlegger Tried Several Hundred In The County Court Monday Morning

Striking the little county town Sheriff M. W. Holloman and Deputies Dallas Holliday and Roy Peel interrupted what was described as a flourishing bootleg liquor business. The raid paid off at only one spot, the officers explaining that everything was "dry

Entering Walter Collier's onecripple lived alone, the officers ten days. found one-half gallon of white liquor and several freshly emptied released, officers explaining that of beer were found, the sheriff and that additional arrests are ex- this time. declaring that the man had en- pected shortly. ough empty bottles squeezed in

ed a little himself.

The man's infirmities apparently saved him a substantial fine after 5:00 o'clock Sunday morning. Bizet's "Carmen" was the most and possibly a term on the roads. if further complaints are heard against Collier he will be called boring driveway. upon to serve the road term.

Minor Accidents On County Roads

Robersonville street intersection developments. About 4:00 o'clock, her rich, striking voice and her in the Bowen Cemetery in Beau truck turned over on the Williamston-Poplar Point Road about 5:00 o'clock, the door was opened ence which included many child-rence Wynne and wife, she was James Gainor, Parmele school

driving another bus, bumped into it at the intersection near the the police department to block planning appearances in Williams- 14, 1923. Better Chevrolet Company garage. No one was hurt and damthe truck Brown was driving, according to Officer Wade Vick and Patrolman B. W. Parker who

Driving on the Poplar Point road, Ervin Baker of Hamilton drove off the black top to miss a dog and lost control of his pickup truck when he tried to turn \$75 damage. Baker was not hurt, Patrolman P. O .Arthur said following the investigation.

The Distinguished Flying Cross Williamston, Leggett Roebuck, with the keys gone and his Painfully Cut In Hatchet Accident

Billy Marshall. 12-year-old son ing to a stop after crashing into of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert H. Cowen

Playing with his neighbor, Robert Sullivan, the lad started with a hatchet. Just as Robert made ready to strike the tree. Billy put his arm around it, the blade of the hatchet cutting across cal hospital following treatment.

Add Member To

Bruce H. Strickland, local man-

Bonner Reports Disease Takes Heavy Toll Officers Conduct Officers Crack Large Peanut Corey Offers Two To Constituents In The District Among Hogs In The County Disease has taken and continues reported in the county, but most Saturday Evening Theft Ring Here Early Sunday In The Assembly

Bags Are Stolen In Recent Weeks

Nine-Day Watch Paid Off At Warehouse Early **Sunday Morning**

A large and daring peanut theft ring, involving several hundred bags of goobers valued at approximately \$5,000, was cracked by local officers here early last Sunday morning, the action climaxing allroom shack where the 63-year-old night watches dating back about

containers. Only thirteen bottles they are still working on the case what they had hoped to have by make their final report on collec-

William Henry Brown, 25-yearand around the shack to stock a old local colored man, continues brewery. Concert Program in the county jail in default of a Carried into the county court \$2,500 bond, and Julius Williams, Monday morning, Collier was said 67-year-old Bertie County colored to have admitted selling beear man, is at liberty under bond. without a license and handling Both men were implicated in the iquor as a means of a livelihood. case after Williams' old model He also admitted that he consum- truck and approximately fifty bags of stolen peanuts were abandoned on East Main Street shortly ble's presentation of excerpts from

During recent weeks peanuts Judge H. O. Peele suspended judg- had been missed from time to time ment upon the payment of costs, from the Planters Warehouse here but placed a conditional sentence by the Williamston Peanut Comon his head. The court, at its own pany. On the night of January discretion may invoke a six-month 16, the local police department road sentence at any time during started maintaining an all-night the next two years, meaning that watch, first inside the house and in English and other languages later in a car parked in a neigh-

Sunday morning at 3:00 o'clock, Officer Arthur Perry saw a truck move into the rear of the ware house district, but instead of stopping at the Planters warehouse, it Heart", and a gay tune, "Philosomoved on to the Roanoke-Dixie. phy." A large door was opened and the two men moved around the house fresh, appealing personality. and entered the door, and at about the outlets, but the truck pulled ton would do well to take note and In declining health for some

Clayton Rogerson and Tom Ches- events here. son, in the police car, were making ready to question a suspicious companied the New York City her life. character in the warehouse dis- Opera star, presented for his por- Surviving besides her husband trict. They withdrew when in- tion of the program "Prelude in A are four daughters, Mrs. E. C. Cale structions were given, calling for Minor" by Poulenc and "Humo- of the home, Mrs. Clifford Mobley the R. A. Haislip farm near Hasa road block at the intersection of resque" by Rachmaninoff. For of Oak City and Misses Letha Vir-Harrell and Main Streets. Just an encore he played a Spanish ginia and Annie Delores Simpson 9:00 o'clock Monday morning. Few before the officers could reach Rhumba. that spot, the truck and Officer Miss Bible's selections ranged all of the home; a brother, James learned immediately. It is under-Perry turned into the main street from the gay "Epiphanias" by R. Wynne of Washington, and a stood that the fire started in the and continued toward the river. Hugo Wolf to the somber "Neb- half-sister, Mrs. Polly Clark of front part of the house while Mrs. Near the foot of the river hill, Of- bie" by Respighi. Each selection Everetts. ficers Rogerson and Chesson pull- was applauded with the largest ed up beside the truck, and the ovation going to the Carmen sedriver and his companion jumped lections and her presentation of out while the vehicle was moving "Mountains" by Rasbach. about thirty miles an hour. The men darted back of the Andrews home and escaped, the truck com-

Williams' name was on the (Continued From Page Six)

Jamesville Boy In Korean Fight sweet potato show and sale to be held at the Robersonville colored

With the 2d Infantry Div. In January 28, at 10 a. m. Each Korea .- Pvt. Jessie R. Jackson, county in the district will exhibit son of Mrs. Mary E. Jackson five bushels of sweet potatoes and (father deceased) of Route 1, enter a judging team in the con-Jamesville, N. C., is serving in test. Korea with the 2d Infanrty Di-

The 2d Division captured Sherwood L. Roberson, chairman Fire Department "Heartbreak Ridge" in October of Robersonville School Commit-1951 and took "Old Baldy" last tee; purpose of the show by Mrs.

World War II veterans will re- specialist; lecture demonstration

Polio Fund Drive Lagging Far Behind Goal In County

through business establishments, the March of Dimes. and members of the drive committee were busy contacting business organizations for their polio where the children are staging an available on the exact amount on the total amount they have col-Complete details have not been taken in for the drive but cam- lected will not be available until paign leaders say it is far below the end of the week when they

Thursday Night

Possibly because her audience

was more familiar with them than

her other selections, Frances Bi-

popular portion of her concert

The young mezzo-soprano's pro-

gram presented in the Williams-

ton High School auditorium was

well-balanced in mood and theme

as well as in the number of songs

but Miss Bible sensing the wishes

of her audience pleased them by

presenting an encore of somewhat

lighter music that included

"Smoke Gets In Your Eyes," a

Show In County

By R. Mck. Edwards,

Negro County Agent

the Northeastern District 4-H

Elementary School Wednesday,

Highlights of the program will

be a welcome address by Mr.

Martin County will be host to

here last Thursday night

With less than a week left to | Another effort to raise funds collect funds for the 1953 March of is the special showing of the mo-Dimes campaign, officials are vie, "The Duchess of Idaho" at the staging a last minute push to bring Twilight Drive-In Theater Thurs-Martin County up to its goal of day night at 6:30 o'clock. Admission to this comedy, starring Van the county Letters were mailed the first of Johnson, John Lund and Esther this week to some 700 individuals Williams, is 40 cents per person who do not ordinarily contribute with all money taken in going to

Biggest collection thus far ha come from the county schools contributions. No figures are ambitious drive for funds. Figures tions.

ROUND-UP

Following a week of little activity, county and local officers reported an increase in business last week-end. Nine persons were arrested and jailed, four for public drunkenness, two for drunken driving and one each for larceny, breaking and entering and operating a motor vehicle without a driver's license.

Eight of the nine jailed were colored, the ages of the group ranging from 16 to 50

Holding Funeral For Mrs. Simpson

leve song, "Put Love In Your ducted at the home near Williams- tion, shall be exempt from service ton on the old Greenville Road as jurors. On the first day of Wearing a gold brocade sheath this afternoon at 3:00 o'clock for truck was backed into the house. over a dark green net skirt, the Mrs. Annie Elizabeth Simpson With two minor exceptions, Officer Perry, radioing the move charming brunette captured her who died in the Eastern North motorists using the highways and to police headquarters, saw three audience's attention with her first Carolina Sanatorium at Wilson less holiday during the past week. the door and leave. He advised kowsky's "Jeanne d'Arc" and held the Rev. Mr. Casper is conducting shall file with the Cierk of the Superior Court of Martin County men come out of the house, close number, a selection from Tschai- Sunday evening at 8:00 o'clock. Two school busses bumped at a the department to await further it throughout the evening with the service and interment will be The attentiveness of her audi-

and the loaded truck moved out. ren was an indirect tribute to Miss born in Cross Roads Township Three men remained behind and Bible's performance. One of her forty years ago on October 18, bus driver, stopped his bus for a closed the door and two men car-songs, "The Lemon-Colored Dodo" 1912, and spent her early life ried the truck away. Officer Per- appealed particularly to the there. She was married to Kenry, picking up the trail, radioed younger concert-goers and others neth Darrell Simpson February

into South Haughton and then include more such numbers for time, she entered the Wilson sanaage was limited to about \$15 to turned into Marshall Avenue. children who make up a large torium last week following treat-During the meantime, Officers share of the audience at musical ment in a local hospital and the Martin County Sanatorium, Mr. Stanton Carter, pianist who ac- Simpson lived in this county all

Many People Ill

and mild attacks of influenza in this county. With the exception of a few cases, the sickness is not for them in Hassell. believed to be serious and the victims recover fairly quickly fol lowing treatment and rest.

According to reports, the colds and flue attacks have not materially affected the school population. However, "older" persons in the schools have fallen victim of flu and have been away from in Korea.-The Combat Infantrytheir posts.

Former Resident's Mother Dies Saturday Morning Calif.

I. J. Randell, assistant 4-H club mother of Miss Ida Underwood "Heartbreak Ridge" in October of the North Carolina Christian ager of the Carolina Telephone member this same division landed on sweet potato production by T. Privette who made her home in 1951 and took "Old Baldy" last The attack took place in front Missionary Society, and Mrs. Al- and Telegraph Company, was at Omaha Beach on D plus 1 W. Flowers, extension horticul- Williamston for a number of July. of the Little Savoy Cafe on Wash- len were here for a short stay unanimously elected to member- (June 7, 1944) and moved on to turist; and awarding of prizes by years, died early Saturday morn- SFC Moye, who has been in Sergeant Biggs is now serving ington Street about 9:30 o'clock Sunday. The minister made his ship in Williamston's volunteer capture Hill 192 in France, the R. A. Ponton, director of member- ing at her home in Spring Hope. the Army since December 1945, first appearance in the pulpit at fire department at a meeting of key German strongpoint on the ship relations, FCX Raleign, N. Funeral services were conducted joined the 2d last September. He yesterday afternoon in the First is assigned to the unit as a mess Miss Susie Revels of route one, "lady," Letha Hardy was treated Sunday evening services, after election leaves the department Jackson, a rifleman, received North Carolina FCX Stores are Baptist Church of Spring Hope, steward.

One Bill Would Provide **Primary and Election** In Oak City

Representative A. Corey offerof the State Assembly last week. His first bill, offered week before last, would establish a relief fund for all law enforcement officers in

Apparently taking a cue from the election differences reported in Jamesville about a year ago, citizens of Oak City appealed to the representatives for a uniform more than half a century and even before the town acquired its present name, Oak City provided an annual election of its town officals. Details of the newly proposed law could not be learned mmediately, but one report said t provides for a primary and elecion every two years.

During the meantime, a precise and uniform law providing prinaries and elections for the town

of Jamesville is being advanced. The second bill introduced by Representative Corev last week vould exempt volunteer firemen n Robersonville and Williamston from jury duty. Heretofore members of the volunteer fire departments in the two towns have been excused from jury duty. The proposed law would make the excuss yalid.

The proposed law reads, as fol-

Section 1. All active volunteer iremen of the Towns of Williamston and Robersonville, in Martin County, who have performed all duties required of them as volunteer firemen, and who are in good standing with their respective fire Carolina State Firemen's Associa-January and July of each year. July of the year 1953, the Fire each member of his organization fire department and with the North Carolina State Firemen's Association, and who has performed all duties required of him as a volunteer fireman during the preceding six months; and any member of any such fire department

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Small Farm Home Burns In County

A four-room tenant house on sell was destroyed by fire about and a son, James Darrell Simpson, details about the fire could be A. F. Weaver, alone there at the time, was in the kitchen.

Passersby helped save a refrigerator, one or two beds and a few In This County other articles. The smoke was so thick in the house that Mrs. Weaver and others found it impossible Quite a few persons are suffer- to enter the front rooms, it was

The Weavers were living there while a new home was being built

Benjamin F. Moye Fighting In Korea

With the 2nd Infantry Division man Badge for excellent perform-Local hospitals have reported ance of duty under enemy fire in capacity treatment for about ten Korea recently was awarded to Sergeant First Class Benjamin, F. Moye, whose wife, Jessie, lives at 832 N. Ridge Rd., San Francisco,

He is a member of the 2d Infan-Mrs. Lela McNeil Privette, try Division, which captured

Williamston, who is with him in for a cut on her hand, but the which Mr. and Mrs. Allen continushing for a cut on her hand, but the which Mr. and Mrs. Allen continushing for a cut on her hand, but the which Mr. and Mrs. Allen continushing for a cut on her hand, but the which Mr. and Mrs. Allen continushing for a cut on her hand, but the which Mr. and Mrs. Allen continushing for a cut on her hand, but the which Mr. and Mrs. Allen continushing for a cut on her hand, but the which Mr. and Mrs. Allen continushing for a cut on her hand, but the which Mr. and Mrs. Allen continushing for a cut on her hand, but the which Mr. and Mrs. Allen continushing for a cut on her hand, but the which Mr. and Mrs. Allen continushing for a cut on her hand, but the which Mr. and Mrs. Allen continushing for a cut on her hand, but the which Mr. and Mrs. Allen continushing for a cut on her hand, but the which Mr. and Mrs. Allen continushing for a cut on her hand, but the which Mr. and Mrs. Allen continushing for a cut on her hand, but the which Mr. and Mrs. Allen continushing for a cut on her hand, but the which Mr. and Mrs. Allen continushing for a cut on her hand, but the which Mr. and Mrs. Allen continushing for a cut on her hand, but the which Mr. and Mrs. Allen continushing for a cut on her hand, but the which Mr. and Mrs. Allen continushing for a cut on her hand, but the which Mr. and Mrs. Allen continushing for a cut on her hand, but the which Mr. and Mrs. Allen continushing for a cut on her hand, but the which Mr. and Mrs. Allen continushing for a cut on her hand, but the which Mr. and Mrs. Allen continushing for a cut on her hand, but the which Mr. and Mrs. Allen continushing for a cut on her hand, but the which Mr. and Mrs. Allen continushing for a cut on her hand, but the which Mr. and Mrs. Allen continushing for a cut on her hand, but the which Mr. and Mrs. Allen continushing for a cut on her hand, but the which Mr. and Mrs. Allen continushing for a cut on her hand, but the which Mr. and Mrs. Allen continushing for a cut on