THE ENTERPRISE IS READ BY OVER 3.000 MARTIN COUNTY FAMILIES TWICE EACH WEEK

THE ENTERPRISE

VOLUME LVI—NUMBER 64

Williamston, Martin County, North Carolina, Tuesday, August 11, 1953

Thirty Car Caravan Will Roll Next Friday Morning Sponsored by the Williamston Those participating in the tour Sponsored by the Williamston Those participating in the tour Sponsored by the Williamston Those participating in the tour C. B. Williams **Pleads Innocent** In Peanut Case

Found And \$2,000 **Bond Required**

liams, young colored man, was soring organization. wholesale theft of peanuts from a local warehouse last January. Williams, unable to arrange bond, was returned to jail. Williams, said to have left here soon after the case was "broken" last Janweek and returned here.

Williams, through his attorney, Edgar Gurganus, pleaded not guilty. Attorneys E. S. Peel and Clarence W. Griffin represented the private prosecution at the hearing.

Williams, said to have denied having any knowledge whatever about the theft which possibly added up to 500 bags of peanuts, was' definitely identified as one of four men who borrowed the truck from Julius Williams, aged colored man of Bertie County. The truck was stopped soon after it left the Roanoke-Dixie Warehouse the morning of January 25, and seventy or seventy-one bags of peanuts were recovered.

Williams, charged with aiding and abetting in the thefts, is at Prices Climb On liberty in \$1,500 bond along with William Henry Brown and Oscar Burnette. Williams, at the hearing held in the courtroom last evening, said C. B. Williams came

to his home on January 23 and asked him about hauling some peanuts. Julius Williams explained that it was mighty late, and that the lights on his truck were out of order. The younger Department of Agriculture re-Williams talked with his partners and told the older man they would see him later. Young Wil-Qiams, according to the older returned the following

night.

borrowed the truck and

Boosters in cooperation with the this year are being asked to re Probable Cause Of Guilt several warehouses here, the port to the warehouse center at 8:30 o'clock Friday morning. The Williamston Tobacco Market car- caravan is to start rolling not avan will roll through much of later than 9:00 o'clock. The first

this county next Friday morning, stop will be made in Hamilton Probable cause of guilt appear- it was announced by Ed Grady, at 9:25 o'clock. The remainder ing, C. B. (Candy Cake) Wil- executive secretary of the spon- of the morning schedule follows: Oak City, 9:55; Hassell, 10:25; Plans, while not completed to Gold Point, 10:45; Everetts, 11:for trial in connection with the last detail, are shaping up 15 and on into Williamston for rapidly for the tour. Approxi- lunch. That afternoon the cara- Fannie Malissa Bennett who died mately thirty vehicles are de- van will get going at 1:45 o'clock there last Saturday morning at finitely lined up for the trip, and and adhere to the following sche- 9:50 o'clock. She had been in debond in the sum of \$2,000 and the event is expected to be one of dule: Bear Grass, 2::00 o'clock; the pargest to run theh route in Farm Life, 2::50; Jamesville, 3: yrs., The tour will feature brief 25 and Dardens, 3:55 o'clock. programs by Professor J. Butler The public is invited to make and his Green Wave Band. There the tour, and an invitation is ex-

uary, was arrested in Virginia last will be special favors and a brief tended the people of the several She was first married to Henry message at each of the several communities to take off a few minutes for the programs. scheduled stops.

> **Jaycees Taping** SCRAPPINGS **Vehicle Bumpers** With sixty percent of the harvest already completed, about thirty percent of the remaining tobacco farmers scrapping" the fields for the

final tobacco "pulling" this week. It is fairly certain that most of the remaining ten percent will complete the harvest next week, leaving a few stragglers with a little



Endorsed by local safety auinued steady to slightly higher thorities, the reflectorization prolast week for Georgia-Florida gram merit the support of every flue-cured tobacco. Volume of motorist. Anything that will aid sales was heavy, however, several night-time visibility on the highmarkets were out of "block" by ways will help reduce one of the the end of the week. The U. S. great dangers of motor travel. The end purpose of such a campaign

Gross sales for the week end-

Gross sales for the week end- program is in its construction-ing August 7 totaled 46,680,255 nousands of tiny glass lenses pounds and averaged \$51.52 per embedded in plastic, which serve drove it away, Julius Williams hundred—\$1.11 under last week as a multitude of tiny mirrors, re-explaining that he did not see it and the lowest since the two-day flecting the headlights of oncom-flecting the headlights of oncom-now available to eligible farmexplaining that he did not see it and the lowest since the two-day flecting the headlights of oncom- now available to eligible farm- White House and the State De-

Prominent Citizen Died At Her Home Near Williamston Saturday

Funeral services were conducted at the home near Williamston on the McCaskey Road Sunday afternoon at 4:00 o'clock for Mrs.

clining health for some time. A daughter of the late John

and Lucy Knox Bland, she was born in Pitt County 55 years ago and spent her early life there.

Harrison, and her second marriage was to Frank C. Bennett well-known farmer and warehouseman before his death a num ber of years ago.

Locating in this county near Williamston following her marriage, Mrs. Bennett had made many friends in her adopted community, and played the role of a de-

voted mother and wife and a thoughtful neighbor. Surviving her second marriage are two daughters Mrs. Halford

plication of reflective tape, the House of Robersonville, Mrs. Harbumper becomes an effective ry Smith of the home; four sons means by which night-time ac- Ronald and Gene Bennett of the cidents can actually be prevent- home, Frank Richmond Bennett of that war-devasted land. and Melvin Bennett of Raleigh;

The "Lite-A-Bumper" program three stepchildren, Jasper Bennett of Williamston, Garland Bennett effort to reduce the hazard of of Norfolk, and Mrs. G. L. Granight driving on our streets and ham of Atlanta; eight grandchilhighways-which anyone will dren; and one brother, Hosea agree, are hazardous enough at Bland of Oak City, and a sister, Mrs. Thelma Rogers of Robersonville

The Rev. T. E. Walston, pastor the Williamston Methodist Church, conducted the funeral service, and interment was in Williamston's Woodlawn Cemetery.



Emergency livestock loans, au-



Authorities Say End Of the **Shooting Means No Let-**Down In Cold War

Washington,-Military authorities are hastening to make it clear that young men of draft age may expect no deferment because of the Korean truce.

Draft quotas may even be increased within a year, according to Maj. Gen. Lewis B. Hershey, Selective Service Director.

At the same time, servicemen present and future have been given assurance that men in uniform will not be used as labor battalions in the rehabilitation and reconstruction of Korea.

Combat Readiness This assurance comes from the

Department press conference by Secretary John Foster Dulles that combat troops now in Korea Carolina College, Greenville, and sonnel of the station would be in-

economics there last May. Since The report that Mr. Dulles ap-Pentagon into immediate expos-

tulation. Legislators jumped to surprise and disapproval. Although the impression was ing demonstrations in electrical that he had made a minute study

given at the Dulles conference equipment. that the White House backed

the plan, the official statement United States armed forces remaining in Korea will give only 'technical assistance" to the South Korean Government.

"The primary, mission of our military personnel there is defense," the statement declared. "They are going to be rested, trained, and kept in a high de-| highways and streets in this coun-

gree of combat readiness."



Will Be Consolidated In Greenville

The North Carolina State Highway Patrol radio station will not men is pending for August 25. In be moved from Williamston to September, ten men are to answer Greenville, Motor Vehicles Com- a pre-induction call. It was learnmissioner Ed Scheidt told an in- ed, however, that no men are to terested group of local citizens be called to report for final inducin a meeting held in the directors' tion next month. room at the Branch Banking and Trust Company last Thursday

Accompanied by Colonel W. B. Lentz of the Patrol, Commissioner Scheidt explained that the sta-

the radio station. Mr. Scheidt

to him that the housing of troop

headquarters, radio station and

garage in one center would have

been ideal. He went on to ex-

plain that the station here is in

the center of the district, that

there would be little difference

in a wall separating the radio

tion. "We inherited those plans,

Freak Accident

Turner Hines, 48-year-old col-

ored employee of the Standard

Fertilizer Company plant on Roa-

oke River here, was badly in

ured in an accident there yeste-r

lay noon. He suffered several rib

fractures and a back injury, possi-

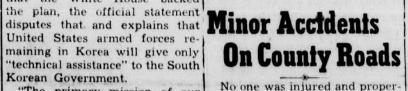
oly one or more disc fractures

Miss Doris Strickland entered tion would be maintained as one upon her new duties as homes for of the five master units in the the Virginia Electric and Power State system, that it would be

White House itself to put an end Company here last week. A na- renovated and improved. He also to talk originating in a State tive of Halifax, Miss Strickland, explained that a 24-hour operat- Williamston, following her graduation from ing schedule is to go into effect Weldon High School, entered East as soon as possible, that the per-

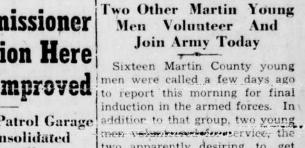
might be used in the rebuilding received her B. S. degree in home creased. While no elaborate renovation that time she has been receiving program is being considered, the peared to be thinking in that di- training in Richmond for her new station will be greatly improved. rection shocked Congress and the duties. Heading up the work in and its permanent rating definthe Company's Albemarle Dis- itely re-established.

trict, Miss Strickland will gladly Talking straight from their feet on the floor of the assist house wive in handling shoulder and after a frank fashion Senate. The Pentagon registered electrical appliances and working that is characteristic of the man. with groups and dealers in stag- Commissioner Scheidt explained



ty damage was limited to a few hundred dollars in a series of three or four accidents on the

ty last week-end.



two apparently desiring to get their military training behind them A pre-induction call for ten

THE ENTERPRISE IS READ B

OVER 3,000 MARTIN COUNTS

FAMILIES TWICE EACH WEEF

From County To

ESTABLISHED 189

Enter Services

The names of those volunteering for service include.

Leslie Collins Mouran (colored), and Douglas Clinton Ebron (colored) both of Williamston The names of those called, 11 white and five colored, to answer the draft call are:

White

Robert Fisher Goff (white), of

Billy Saunders Allsbrook (white), of Williamston,

Elmer Guy Carrow of Williams-

Nathan Bryant Lilley, RFD 1, Jamesville

James Arnesters Long, RFD 1, Williamston.

Henry Sylvester Sawyer. Jamesville and Stokes.

William Davis Stevenson, RFD I, Palmyra, and Creswell. Gussie Shelton Bunting, Rober-

sonville of the set-up, and found that Wil-James Woodrow Revels, RFD 1, liamston was the logical place for

Williamston. Hubert Cherry Chesson, RFD 3, said that it had been pointed out Williamston and Robersonville.

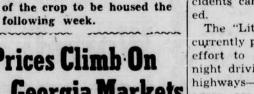
Gurnie Preston Hughes, Jr., Williamston.

Colored

Edward Anderson Chance, Par-

Henry Odell Close, Oak City. Forrest Barnhill, Williamston. Charles Henry Fields RFD 1. room from troop headquarters Palmyra.

just west of Williamston last troop headquarters will be in ra- ferred to a draft board in New York City. Hughes and Chance did not re-After making his study, the port and they are being instructcommissioner said he was satis- ed to accompaney another group fied that the facts justified his from the county to Raleigh on position in keeping the master August 25 for final induction.

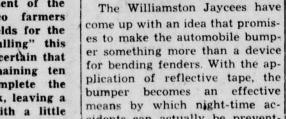




Average prices by grades con-

ports quality of offerings was is to help save lives. lower compared with the previous The secret of the reflective

tape used by the Jaycees in their



currently promoted by the Junior

best.

pening week. Sales for the sea- ing cars. back of the police station here.

week.

On cross examination, the old- averaging \$51.94. For the same to the rear bumpers "lights up" State Director, announced today. no doubt among those attending | er Williams again identified the number of sales days last year cars and trucks that are parked or younger man, and said there were 150,731,638 gross had been sold stalled along the street or highthree boys with Williams, that for an average of \$50.96.

they talked nice and seemed to Higher average prices were talked nice and seemed to Higher average prices were are not operative vided they have good records to talked nice he leat they shown or hondescript marketings Four times as many errors of obtain needed credit from other talked nice he lent them his and most lower quality leaf judgment were made upon seeing sources to continue their normal truck. grades. Increases were mainly a truck, for example, with tail operations. Such loans will not the free world.

William Bonds, the only other \$1.00 to \$3.00 a hundred pounds. lights only, as when seeing a witness called by the State, also Better quality offerings remained identified Williams, explaining generally unchanged. Several with reflectorization that Williams and two others boys losses of around \$1.00 were noted. For all speed and lighting conwent to his home on or about) Poor and low quality leaf toditions, much less time-hence January 23 and that he showed bacco showed an increase in pershorter distance traveled-is rethem where Julius Williams liv- centage. Predominating sales were quired for a motorist to detect ed. He said that C. B. Williams poor to fair leaf, fair lugs and the motion of a reflectorized vedid not return to his (Bonds') nondescript. hicle than a non-reflectorized one.

Stabilization Corporation rehome on Saturday night before the theft was discovered the fol- ceipts under the Government loan lowing morning. program amounted to around 1.2 The case, one of the largest percent of gross sales for the

thefts reported in this county in week. For the season August 5 years, has been continued in the deliveries amounted to 4,933.319 courts since last March, pending pounds or 3.3 percent. August 12 has been set as the the arrest and return of young closing date for Quitman and Ha-

Williams.

Transferred To A Local Hospital From Richmond Youth Baffling

A patient in a Richmond hospital since June 20, Mr. Henry D. Harrison was transferred by ambulance to a local hospital Sunday. He stood the trip well and continues to hold his own, but he is not able to have company. Mr. Harrison suffered an attack at his home here June 20.

TOBACCO CARDS

Tobacco marketing cards are being mailed to farmers in this county this week, preparatory to the opening of the markets on Thursday of next week.

Unofficial reports declare that several hundred cards have already been delivered to farmers who called for them in person at the office of the county agent. It is apparent that much Martin County tobacco has been and is being moved to the border markets. Some good sales and some sales that were not so good have been reported by Martin farmers visiting the markets to the south.

ers in North Carolina, J. B. Slack son reached 165,410,895 pounds The red reflective tape applied Farmers Home Administration issue is not clear. But there was way-even when their tail lights ers of cattle, sheep and goats, pro-

be made to carry on commercial truck with tail lights combined feed lot operations, to refinance existing debts except for payment stock operations.

Special livestock loans will bear 5 percent interest and may be made for periods up to 3 years. Borrowers will be expected to re-The small fee of \$1.00 for each pay the loans as rapidly as they reflectorized bumper under the can. Each loan must be secured new program is a worthwhile in-

in the full amount by the personal vestment which affords imobligation and available security mediate benefits to motorists, as of the borrower. The Government well as eventual benefits to the will not require present credi-

tors to subordinate their lines, ut A taping station for applying borrowers will be expected to the reflective tape has been arobtain standby agreements from ranged at Belk Tylers lot (old their present creditors so they will bus station lot) and will be manhave a chance to work out of their draft eligible.

ned by a crew of Jaycees members difficulties. Also, present credi-Saturday August 1 from 8:30 to tors must be willing for a portion of the borrower's livestock income to be paid on the Government loan.

Secretary of Agriculture Ezra Taft Benson has designated the Farmers Home Administration as

the agency to handle this emergency credit program, and has made Administrator R. B. Mc-Leaish administratively responsible for it at the national level. However, all loans must be approved by the special livestock ate to let young men believe

loan committees annointed L. Secretary. To serve as a tempory State special livestock loan committee

Benson has named the following: up to it." J. B. Slack, State Director, Farmers Home Administration; D. S.

temporary committee was naming of applications for assistance.

tained at any county office of the year 1953-54. Farmers Home Administration, county FHA supervisor or direct loan committee.

partment became crossed on this These loans will be made to the Dulles press conference that established producers and feed- he envisaged South Korean re- Britton was said to have suffered construction as a proper and

healthy accurate for Units States forces, with the new Korea a propaganda show-place of

The White House statement denying any such intention came on the heels of protests from both of current incidental bills, or to Republicans and Democrats on the machine skidded and turned went on to explain that the facts the Senate Armed Services Committee

Draft Due to Continue

But as far as legitimate military service is concerned, teenagers may expect business as usual. High military authorities are taking particular pains to quash any wishful thinking that the end if the Korean shooting means a letdown in the cold war.

Quite the contrary, they say. Even if a peace should develop out of the truce, they hold no Former Resident hope of any escape from military service for those who become

This appears to blight the prospect held out by Secretary of Defense Charles E. Wilson last July that a truce might mean draft call reductions of 5,000 to

6,000 a month within 90 days after Swamp about 10:00 o'clock last the signing. It apparently means that the

military men don't see it that way at all, for shortly after this came Maj. Gen. Louis B. Hershey's statement to the contrary.

Pinch in Manpower He feels it would be unfortun-"their plans for the future hinge

on the truce. I would tell these young people that Congress has placed a two-year obligation on Robbery Attempt for North Carolina, Secretary them, and they are going to live

Even the most optimistic man-

bleachers may be used by the Weaver, State Director of Ex- Department look for a sharp pinch tension, and G. T. Scott, Chair- in service manpower within 40 man, State PMA Committee. This months. Selective Service officials, watching the potential defense manpower pool steadily ebb, see the pinch as arriving even Application forms may be ob-

A sharp pinch, such as General quire either a new presidential change in the draft law.

dio communication with the sta-Thursday afternoon during a rain tion here at all times. when her 1947 Oldsmobile was

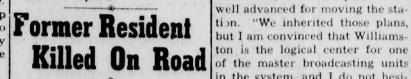
struck by a 1951 Dodge driven by a slight neck injury. Damage to

the Olds with estim ilea at \$50 and that to the Dodge at \$150. Driving south on Highway 17 group of local citizens, headed by about eight miles out of Williams-Ed Grady, executive secretary of ton early last Saturday afternoon, Harvey Williams applied the Williamston Boosters, had ofbrakes on his 1950 Pontiac and fered any oral argument, and he

supported the decision. "It isn't over. The car came to a stop on a question of the one velling the its top, but the driver was not injured. Damage to the machine loudest getting the most. You was estimated at \$400. have merit in your claim which

can be explained to anyone any-There was a minor accident in Parmele Sunday night, and anwhere," Commissioner Scheidt other on Williamston's main St., said.

last Saturday. Damage was neg-It was pointed out that previous ligible in each accident and no officials had planned the centralione was injured, according to zation of the entire system in Greenville, and that plans were unofficial reports.



in the system, and I do not hesi-Gus Andrews, former resident tate to retain the station here of the Parmele section, was run with the firm conviction I can down and killed on a highway justify the action," the commisleading out of Bethel toward Flat sioner declared.

It was planned to erect another Saturday night. Officers are in (Continued on page eight)

vestigating the hit-and-run crime, but no developments had been re-**Badly Hurt In**

ported early today. It is believed that one car struck and knocked Andrews down the oad about fifty or sixty feet and left him in the road, and that another car struck him a short time later. Andrews was about 38 years

old.

Foiled By Officers

according to an unofficial report An attempt to break through Hines was pushing fertilizer the rear door of Leder Brothers' materials into a hopper when a store on Main Street here be- power digger, driven by Arthur tween 4:00 and 5:00 o'clock last Lee Jones, came up behind him. Sunday morning was interrupted It is believed the brakes failed by members of the night force, ac- or the machine skidded, catching sooner, at least within the fiscal cording to information released Hines in the back and mashing by the police department. him against the elevator hopper

The door was intact at 4:00 o'or shaft. He was removed by ambulance hour, the officers found a glass to a local hospital where he was ly with the state special livestock directive on draft standards or a had been broken next to the reported this morning to be restlock in the back door. ing fairly comfortably.

The commissioner announced Tobacco Curing **Barns Damaged**

Two tobacco curing barns were lamaged in this county last weekend by lightning and another by fire. The damage was comparatively light in each case, it was said.

Striking a barn on the Mary Cherry farm near Williamston, lightning damaged an oil burner and cracked the foundation of another. Damage there was limited to a few dollars.

Approximately seven hundred sticks of green tobacco were damaged when an oil burner went out of control in a barn on the W. M. Harrison farm in Bear Grass fownship last Friday morning. The tobacco was too green to spread the fire, but it was scorched and burned as if had been struck by a blow torch. A number of sticks were burned in two and a few tier poles were almost charred, but the barn itself did not catch fire. The loss was covered by insurance.

ROUND-UP

Making their regular roundup, police and county officers reported a flare-up on the crime front in the county during last week-end. Sixteen persons were arrested and temporarily detained in the county jail for alleged violation of various laws. Five were booked for public drunkenness, two for assault, and one each for drunken driving, breaking and entering, larceny, an affray, care less and reckless driving, disorderly conduct, non-support, violating the liquor laws and still another was held for investigation.

Three of the sixteen were white and the ages of the group ranged from 16 to 55 years.

the Green Wave Band of Williamston High School, to be presented in the ball park here on Thursday evening of this week at 8:00 p. m. The band will be stationed on

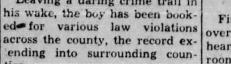
ago, and more recently he escar the infield of the baseball diaed from Hoffman Training School mond facing the grandstand so three times. that the grandstand as well as Last Wednesday night he broke

into E. W. Elks' place of business n Robersonville and allegedly

The program contains a varied stole seven cartons of cigarettes. fare of music, marches, overtures, It was reported that he had stolen shoes and other clothing from pop tune, rhythm novelty, etc., to ed in order to speed up processsuit the taste of all. The program homes in the Robersonville area. Given a preliminary hearing is without charge and the public held before Justice H. S. Everett is cordially invited.

The annual picnic of the band last Thursday, Brown was booked for trial in the superior court and band parents will be held on They may be filed with the local Hershey has forecast, would re- clock that morning but within an next month. Unable to arrange Tuesday, August 18, on the high \$500 bond, he continues in the school grounds, it has been ancounty jail. nounced.

Final Plans Made A 16year-old colored youth, Slifton Earl Brown, is baffling For Band Concert Leaving a daring crime trail in his wake, the boy has been booked for various law violations across the county, the record exending into surrounding counies.



quent, Brown has escaped or

evaded officers at least four times

He slipped through the fingers

of county officers several weeks

County Officers

hira, Georgia and Jasper, Flori-

Final plans were completed over the week-end and a full rehearsal held last night in the band room for the Summer concert of Treated as a juvenile delin-

6:00 p. m.

kids on the bikes.