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A.B.C. Officer Files **Enforcement Report**

Seventy Arrested For Violation Of Liquor Law In '53

Officers Wrecked 196 Illicit Liquor Plants; Fines Add Up To \$3,930

The illicit liquor business experienced serious reverses in this county last year, according to an enforcement report released for the period by ABC Officer Cecil Bullock this week. It was the most costly year in a long time for the illicit operators, Officer Bullock declared.

Two types of operations were maintained, but in every case the operators found the business costly, financially and personally. There were those who operated on a big scale, the officer explaining that eleven large plants were wrecked. The other type of operation was limited to small-scale, cheap plants where an oil drum and inferior equipment were us-

The report shows that 196 illicit liquor plants were wrecked during the year. Not more than twenty-five of the plants were equipped with copper kettles. While most of the plants were equipped with oil drums and a few barrels, there were eleven large plants in the list destroyed in 1953. All but three of the large plants were equipped with upright boilers and extensive storage for mash or beer.

The officers poured out 68,700 gallons of mash, most of it falling Colon Reeves was adjudged guil- made from the clerk's findings to to a low point as far as sanitary ty of carrying a concealed wea- the superior court. ratings are concerned.

poured out 790 gallons of illicit at the direction of the court at its kind ever advanced in this classifications, apparently making date and may well decide whether

lest year Of that number 54 fined \$25, plus costs.

seven were awaiting trial. added up to \$3,390 and road terms deadly weapon.

totaled thirty years. Most of the sentences were suspended, but disorderly, James Luther Gardright or nine defendants went to ner was adjudged guilty and the the roads, one or two for as long court fined him \$10, plus costs.

One still in this county was equipped with a 100-gallon ca- driving. pacity copper kettle, and another plant had a storage capacity for pearly 3,000 gallons of beer.

Fifteen of the persons arrested were caught at liquor stills. Most of the others were taken in raids on homes and bootleg joints.

ABC Officer J. H. Roebuck figured in the enforcement work until his retirement the first of last March, Officer Cecil Bullock, connected with enforcement work

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Former Resident

Henry W. Hoell, former Williamston young man, was reported much improved in a Greenville hospital yesterday following treatment received for burns. Employed by the Greenville utilities, Young Hoell was cutting an electric wire and was severely er for the colered schools. burned, one report stating that the burns and shock almost prov-

Before going to Greenville Hoell was employed here by the Virginia Electric and Power Com-

INCORPORATED

The Roanoke Country Club was incorporated this week in the office of the Secretary of State, Raleigh. Subject to ratification, Dr. Chas. Harris was named as president and Messrs. Wm. Everett, vice president, and J. H. Edwards, secretary and

treasurer. No official report has been released, but it is understood that between \$50,000 and \$60,000 in stock has been subscribed.

NO SITE

Meeting last Tuesday evening, directors of the Williamston Boosters were advised that plans were about complete for locating a fairly sizable truck terminal here, that bids had been submitted by several-construction firms. Then, it was explained that difficult was being encountered in locating a suitable

The board directed a committee to extend its search for a site, and it is hoped that one can be found and construction work started within the next month.

Judge Peele Has Thirty-Six Cases In County Court

Fines Add Up To \$670.00 **During Long Session** Last Monday

The Martin County Recorder's Court went into afternoon sesfor trial. The afternoon session was fairly short, however.

Fines, imposed during the day, ly large number of spectators.

Proceedings: Pleading not guilty, George pon and drew three months on The enforcement personnel also the roads, the sentence to begin \$50 and taxed with the costs.

Seventy persons were arrested James Daniels, pleading guilty and formally charged with violat- of operating a motor vehicle ing the liquor laws in the county without a driver's license, was

ted and at the end of the year the payment of the costs in the case in which Jesse Johnson was Fines, imposed in the courts, charged with an assault with a

Charged with being drunk and

Dallas Wynne was found not guilty of careless and reckless

Pleading guilty of careless and reckless driving, Milton Baines was fined \$25 and taxed with the

upon the payment of the cost in the case in which Baines was Use Woman's Club charged with speeding 65 miles an hour. The careless and reckless driving charge was brought against the defendant the day before he was booked on the

second charge. Charged with drunken driving and violating the liquor laws, Nehmiah Moore pleaded not guil-

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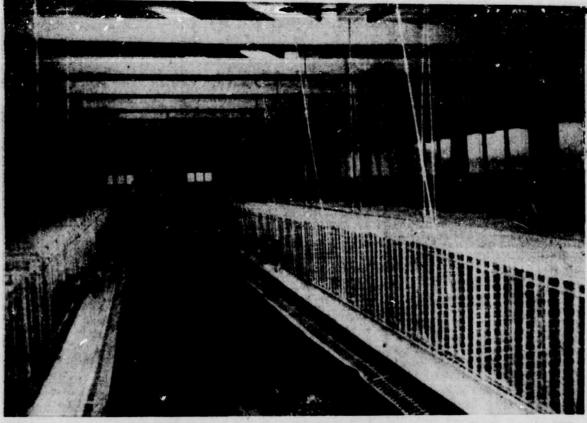
Critically Hurt Polio Drive In **Colored Schools**

recent polio fund drive in this Dancing will be the only form of county was released yesterday entertainment offered since there Continues Quite III by County Chairman W. M. Bak- are no other facilities available.

In his report to the county will be charged only to defray chairman, R. M. Edwards, Negro the expenses incurred in lightcounty farm agent, said that a ing and heating the building. and submitted by the fifteen colored school principals.

Individual reports were sub- erones for the evening. mitted by the schools, as follows: Rodgers School, A. R. Jones, \$60.89; E. J. Hayes School, 253.21; Hamilton School, Williams E. Honeyblue, 45.16; Gold Point School, D. G. Chance, 31.00; Jamesville School, Mrs. Doris L. Everette, 15.05; Borrough School, J. O. Buffaloe, 17.15; Darden School, John S. James, 45.00; Parmele School, A. B. Wynn, 72.00; Everetts School, E. L. Owens; 34. 75; Oak City School, T. K. Slade 57.25; Hassell School, George T. Hyman; 47.81; Whichard James School, W. C. Bunch, Jr., 20.00; Williams Lower School, James H. Faulk, 23.15; Biggs School, W. V. Ormond, Jr., 21.85; Robersonville Grade School, 118.57.

Egg Production In Martin County



Introducing a new system and on an extensive scale, Farmer Noah Daniel Griffin of near Williamston is rated just now as Martin County's No. 1 egg man. He is pictured in his large production house among the 1,044 individual cages. The more than 1,000 chickens are scheduled to go into production within the next ten days or two weeks.

Photo by Royal Studios

Drainage District Hearing Parents of Teen Before Clerk Of The Court

O. Peele called thirty-six cases trict No. 3 will hold hearings on Permele-Flat Swamp area, the its clasifications here this after-25,000 acres of land. Three fairnoon at 3:0 o'clock before Clerk ly large laterals are located in vised program for the youth of added up to \$670, including \$160 of Court L. B. Wynne in the court this county and one or two in Williamston is calling a meeting paid by alleged speeders. The room, It is expected that quite a Pitt. One of the tributaries is on morning session attracted a fair- few landowners will appeal from the western edge of Robersonthe classifications fixed by the ville, another between Robersonengineers during recent weeks. It ville and Parmele and still anoth- school auditorium Tuesday evenis also likely that appeal will be er in Parmele.

that any appeals will only delay panies.

the project, one of the largest of here yesterday studying the map and one-half gallons of legal li- years. The defendant was fined support to carry it to conclusion, classifications assigned their com-

HOLIDAY

George Washington's birthday anniversary next Monday will be observed as a limited holiday here. Federal offices will be closed along with the banks. No mail deliveries will be handled either in the town or on the rural

General business will be maintained as usual by other firms and offices.

ne payment of the cost in Teen-Agers Will

At its regular business meeting on Tuesday night, February 16, the Williamston Woman's Club voted to open the Woman's Club Building for the use of the teenagers until further plans could be made to open the youth center. The Legion Hut, open on Saturday nights, as a recreation center for the teen-agers, has been temporarily closed as a vouth center.

The club building will be open on Saturday night, February 20, from 8:00 until 11:00 P. M. All teen-agers are cordially invited The first detailed report on the to come and enjoy the evening. A small admission fee of 16 cents

total of \$683.04 had been raised Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Levin, Mr. tient for several weeks. and Mrs. E. R. Froneberger and Mrs. Irvin Margolis will be chap-

GREATER BARGAINS

Thursday, Friday and Saturday, February 25, 26 and 27, and Monday, March have been designated as "Greater Bargain Days in Williamston," Ed Grady, executive secretary of the Boosters, announced.

The event, planned as one of the greatest bargain festivals in the history of local merchandising, is being planned on a town-wide scale. Details of the bargain event

will be announced early next

Organized several months ago, the actual drainage work. sion last Monday when Judge H. the Martin County Drainage Dis- | Centered in the Robersonville-

Attorneys for the North Carolina Pulp Company and the At-

Recovering From

Clyde Anderson, city mail carrier, is rapidly recovering from ago. He plans to return to his Brown's radio tower. work possibly next Tuesday.

ack swung around.

New Fertilizer Method Attracting Attention

The use of anhydrous ammonia is rapidly attracting attention in this section, and a demonstration of its use is certain to be witnessed by large numbers at the Sherrod farm near Hamilton next That evening at 7:30 o'clock Dr. J. D. Campbell, agronomist for First Showing Of '54 the Mathieson Chemical Company, will deliver a timely talk on the new type of fertilizer. The public is invited both to the demonstration and the speaking.

er, continues quite ill in a local All the major appliances made hospital where he has been a pa- by General Electric will be shown

for their wares, trucks, cars?

wards new library building?

Suggestion Box

and some good suggestions are timely, as follows:

Williamston needs a decent Bus Station.

Williamston needs more side walks.

Williamston needs a library building.

Which location best for new building?

The suggestion box, idle for months, is coming to life

Why are Business concerns allowed to use side walks

Who will give a lot? Who will contribute funds to-

How can the Chest X-Ray truck serve the public if

Why can't the Town demand all property owners to

the citizens continue to spit germs on the side walks?

clean side walks, then instruct Police to fine each of-

Agers To Meet

Having investigated the youth center at Robersonville as instructed by the Recreation Committee, the group studying a reof the parents of all 'teen-agers in this area to be held in the high ing, February 23, at 8:30 p. m.

As far as the youth recreation program in Williamston is con-Reliable reports maintain that lantic Coast Line Railroad were corned, this is perhaps the most important meeting scheduled to liquor and confiscated about two anytime during the next two immediate area, has sufficient ready to file objections to the any organized work of this sort is

The Rev. T. L. Hastings, chairman of the Youth Recreation Committee will be in charge of speeding 75 miles an hour.

Recent Accident Local Hospital Increases

Passers-by walking and driving by the Brown Community terson, New Jersey, pleaded guilan injury received when he was Hospital last Saturday found it attacked by dogs about ten days difficult to determine just what was taking place on top of Dr.

One person watching workmen Mr. Anderson was delivering high up on the tower said he mail on Oak Street in North End couldn't tell whether they were when two large dogs attacked monkeys or humans. Two men, Ohio, pleaded guilty of speeding The representatives explained that bird is on the way to the he suffered two broken ribs, ap- were engaged to increase the parently when the heavy mail height of the feet or just below 170 feet. When any radio tower reaches a heighth of 170 feet state and national regulations require that a light or blinker be placed at the top of

the tower. Dr. Brown stated he increased the height of the tower so he could contact his horpital from a distance of 50 to 75 miles. His twoway radio system also enables the Tuesday afternoon at 2:00 o'clock. personnel of the Hospital to reach the Doctor at a moment's notice.

G.-E. Appliances Here

The first showing of the 1954 General Electric Appliances will be made in the Manning and Peel store here today.

In A Local Hospital an advertisement in this issue of next Wednesday and Thursday. Mr. Tom Harrell, retired farm- through Saturday, February 20th. through Saturday this week.

The ribbon cutting as shown in be held at State College, Raleigh, The Enterpris, will continue Similar meetings have been very profitable and Martin County is to be well represented. Figures prominent in national

Plan Dairy Conference

costs for speeding 65 miles an

conference, Assistant Martin paratively little attention. County Agent D. W. Brady said.

RECRUITERS

Working feverishly to retain the Red Cross blood bank program in this chapter, several interested local women met in the Red Cross office yesterday and made plans to handle the recruiting work for the March bloodmobile.

Appeals are being made to other women in the chapter. and it is fairly certain that the quota will be met on March 11.

Details of the recruitment plans will be announced shortly.

Has Modern System Aside In Courts For The Speeders For Egg Production

RED CROSS

Another Day Set

Nineteen Fined \$160.00 by

Judge H. O. Peele

Last Monday

Alleged speeders on the streets

Martin County Recorder's Court

last Monday. Eleven of the nine-

teen were fined a total of \$160,

and one or two are automatically

losing their licenses for certain

Several of the defendants ad-

mitted they were speeding but

maintained they were not travel-

ing as rapidly as they were charg-

ed. Discretion was the order in a

few cases, but for the most part,

the court held to its measuring

stick of \$1 per mile in excess of

In addition to the nineteen

speeding cases, the court in its

morning and afternoon sessions

handled seventeen other cases

The following speed cases we

Pleading guilty of speeding 65

miles an hour, Joseph Matthew

Roberson of RFD 1, Oak City, was

Milton Baines, convicted and

in the case in which he was charg-

ty and was fined \$15, plus costs.

for speeding 75 miles an hour.

Charles J. Teranle of Lima,

fined \$25, plus costs.

\$15, plus costs.

the total fines adding up to \$670.

ntered in the court records:

periods, it was learned.

the 55-mile speed law.

ined \$10, plus costs.

miles an hour.

the costs.

Plans for advancing the annual Red Cross fund drive in the Martin County Chapter are nearing completion, according to Fund Drive Chairman Hugh M. Martin.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh B. Griffin will head the drive in Griffins, and Mr. A. B. Ayers, Jr., long associated with worth-while drives, has agreed to chairman the campaign in Bear Grass.

All chairmen have been named with one exception, Mr. Martin explaining that a chairman to handle the canvass among Williamston employees is needed. He hopes to have that post filled shortly, and everything made ready for the drive beginning the first of next month.

Discuss Location Of New Industry In This Section

fined \$25 on a reckless driving charge, was taxed with the costs Two Representatives From State Department Meet ed with speeding 65 miles an With County People

Charged with speeding 70 miles an hour, Howard Rae Moore of RFD 3, Bethel, was adjudged guil- in this county was discussed at an industrial forum held in the Judgment was suspended upon county courthouse here yesterday special chicks, an improved strain the payment of the costs when morning. Representing the com- of the Rhode Island Red and Jennis Elvin Phelps of Norfolk merce-industry division of the known as the Parmenter. The pleaded guilty of speeding 65 North Carolina Department of chicks were delivered on last Oc-

ence F. Costello of Seacliff, New and Williamston participated. Explaining that the department York, were each fined \$10, plus in Raleigh could only go so far in 16 x 18-inch cage, are lined up in attracting new industry to the three double rows, running just Ralph Pascucci of Manhassett, New York, pleaded guilty and State, Mr. Huffman declared that about the entire length of the was fined \$20 plus costs, for the local communities must building. The cages are suspendsparkplug the movement, and he ed from the ceiling and are ar-Charged with speeding 70 miles explained that organization and ranged to provide the birds with an hear, William Silverman of surveys were needed along with water and feed. A continuous marked and addition of the mark to an absorber the state of the market the Bronx N. Y., pleaded guilty Height of Radio Tower and was fined \$15 and taxed with organization include representa- maintained, Mr. Griffin explain-

> businesses and officials from the corporated in the water system. Kenneth Thomas Ruffin of Pattown and county boards. Mr. Huffman said that those egg rolls into a special or third ty and was fined \$20, plus costs, industrialists who seek something through just out side the cage. Pleading guilty of speeding 85 miles an hour, George William able industry often called upon plan makes it possible to deter-

> 70 miles an hour and was fined that industrialists are, from time pot," the farmer said. He explainto time, riding over the State ed, however, to the was expect-Charged with speeding 65 miles looking for desirable sites to lo- ing a production ranging between an hour, Earl F. Emery of Kim- cate new plants. They are a bit 70 and 80 percent. berton, Pa., and Prinso Tessinari more cautious now than they To maintain his plant at or

> of Bridgeport, Conn., were each were, but industrialists are still near capacity at all times, Mr fined \$10 and taxed with the costs. looking for sites. Tim Black of RFD 2, Rober- No places were mentioned, but flock every two months. sonville, William Klepper of the representatives said that gen- Just now the farmer is spend-Bronx, N. Y., David Rosen of eral appearances of a community ing about 90 minutes each day in Brookline, Mass., Cyril J. Belin- are important, that unsightly feeding and care of his flock, but fante of West Englewood, N. J., spots had caused more than one more time will be required when

Neal Newell of Williamston Road, industrialist to travel through a Iona, New Jersey, and Tommie town or community without stop-Elajay Trowell of Nashville, ping. Georgia, were each taxed with the

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County Man Files In Raleigh Next Week For U. S. Senate A special dairy conference will

County man, this week filed for . The speaker of the evening is the United States Senate. An un- to be Dr. Leo Jenkins of East his action coming as a surprise. nounced a title for his remarks, dairying will address the two-day The announcement attracted com- he will discuss some of the aspects

Turner was born and reared in neering studies. Goose Nest Township, and was married to the former Miss Camille Fleming, later marrying in Washington, D. C., where he has been employed for a number of

The 47-year-old man stated he planned to recruit the services of two top Hollywood actresses to advertise his campaign, that he planned to address religious groups and civic organizations across the State.

There are five filed candidates in the race for the U. S. Senate, including Alton Lennon, incumbent, Kerr Scott, W. M. Bostick of Cary, Henry L. Sprinkle Greensboro, and Turner.

Observers could see no political motive behind Turner's action.

Noah D. Griffin Invests \$6,000.00 In Unique Project

Layers Housed In More Than One Thousand Individual Cages

Martin County recently moved to enhance its position as one of the best balanced farm units in this part of the country when several farmers entered the egg prc-

duction business in a big way. One of the largest and most modern plants is now about ready to go into production on the farr of Noah Daniel Griffin, about three miles from Williamston.

Finding it a bit difficult to get off-farm employment after los ing three fingers from his right hand in an accident, Farmer Griffin, although still maintaining he could give a good day's work, rearranged his farm schedule to include egg production. He studied the diversified plan carefully, and visited plants in various parts of the State before reaching a de-

One the plan was adopted, Mr. Griffin sawed the lumber from his own timber, and proceeded to do much of the construction work on a specially designed house, measuring 160 by 24 feet.

While construction work was under way on the building, the farmer placed an order for 1,050 Conservation and Development, tober 9 and placed in tobacco Pleading guilty of speeding 65 Messrs. Ed Huffman and Jerry barns where they remained until miles an hour, Wm, Irving Rober- Albright led the forum in which January 15 when they were reson of Eobersonville and Laur- representatives from Jamesville moved to their individual cages

> The chickens, each in a 10 x tives from the civic clubs, various ing that a medication plan is in-

for nothing are not desired, but Discussing the individual cage he plainly pointed out that reli- system, Mr. Griffin said such a Ames of Cheriton, Virginia, was communities to participate in the mine the production record of projects and to display friendly each bird. "When a bird lays sev-

Immediately after it is layed, the

Griffin will add 300 chicks to his

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Engineers To Meet In Washington Next Week

The next meeting of the East Carolina Engineers Club will be held in Washington on February 24. at 6:30 P. M. The group will assemble at Frank's restaurant for Amazon E. Turner, Martin the regular monthly meeting.

known in State politics, Turner Carolina College in Greenville. paid his \$125 filing fee Tuesday, Although Dr. Jenkins has not anof college scholarships for engi-

UNDERPASS

Bids for the construction of a new railroad bridge across West Main Street will be called for in the near future, possibly in April, according to unofficial information re ceived here this week.

To be constructed by the State Highway Commission as a federal aid project, the new bridge will, according to an unofficial report, cost nearly \$200,000. The main roadway is to be forty feet wide with additional space for sidewalks.