

FAIL TO MARK BUILDINGS FOR AID AVIATORS

No steps were taken in the meeting of the chamber of commerce here Monday evening to sponsor a movement to mark roofs in the town for identification as an aid to aerial commerce.

This suggestion was received from the Daniel Guggenheim Fund for the Promotion of Aeronautics which has as its member Col. Charles A. Lindbergh. This project was to be undertaken with the cooperation of the Post Office Department and the Department of Commerce. Plymouth is one of the 2,000 out of 7,500 towns of intermediate size that has failed to do this.

The work and cost involved in roof marking is not large. In recognition of its value Colonel Lindbergh has agreed to send a certificate of appreciation to the group responsible for placing the roof marker in any town.

This would be a great aid to flyers in their cross-country flying in checking locations. Many flyers have been unable to establish their exact location on their map because the town over which they were flying was not identified by roof marking. This has made it necessary for the aviators to fly close enough to the ground to read the signs on the railroad stations.

With the growth of commercial and private flying a growing amount of air traffic is being diverted from the regular air routes. The commercialists agreed at the meeting that there was no little flying in this section that there was no immediate necessity for this.

Edsel Ford requested the Ford dealers over the country to assist by marking roofs of their stations where ever it was practicable. Some of the automobile dealers that own their buildings have put these signs on them.

SCHOOL FINALS CONCLUDED LAST EVENING

Commencement exercises in the local school were concluded last evening by an address by Dr. H. T. Lefler, head of the history department in State College, Raleigh.

James W. Norman, county superintendent of public instruction introduced the speaker. L. H. Hubble, superintendent of city schools, read the list of distinctions. Principal C. W. Dinkins awarded the seventh grade certificates while L. H. Hubble presented the high school graduates their diplomas.

Elizabeth Tetterton made the salutatory address while Josephine Ange acted as class prophet. Bernis Bassinger read the history of the class. Donnie Clifton read the last will and testament. Lucy Davis read the poem while N. C. Vail acted as statistician. Gladys Martin made the valedictory address, and Milton Baxter presented the gifts.

Dean F. F. (Pa) Grim of Atlantic Christian College, at Wilson, preached the baccalaureate sermon to the graduating class Sunday morning to a large audience of patrons.

CHILDREN'S DAY SOON

Cherry, June.—A special Children's Day Program will be given at Phillips Church the third Sunday afternoon. Everyone is urged to attend.

Eminent Attorney Cites Usual Causes Of Bank Failures To Prove They Are Inexcusable

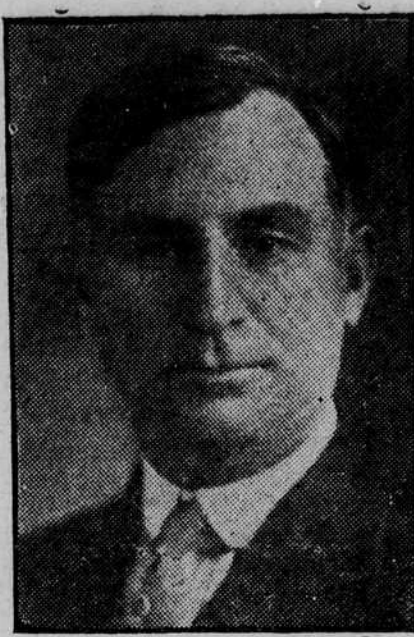
Former Representative Martin Talks To Newspaperman In Interview On Skiddish Thing Known As Money And The Institution In Which It Is Kept For Safety

"There is no excuse for bank failures," former representative Van B. Martin told a representative of the Beacon and News in an interview yesterday regarding the bank failures in different sections of the State during this year.

There are only three main causes for a bank to close its doors, according to Mr. Martin. These are negligence on the part of officials in passing loans or delegating too much authority to one man as is done in many banks. Each bank should be careful to have its own finance committee and not resort to allowing the cashier or other officials to pass on the applications alone.

Another cause is the officials comprising the finance committee or others passing favorably on a note for personal benefit or gain. Many times a person may pass on a note because of friendship for the applicant. At other times it may be that the officials will favor the notes on account of personal obligations to the applicant.

A third cause for bank failures is the conduct of the cashier. Many times the cashier passes on a note that on the face of it has ample security. However, it turns out that he has been tricked. Then officials may embezzle the money. The most common cause is the fact that the officials conduct themselves in such a way that the depositors begin a run on the bank and causes the bank to fail simply because they haven't faith or confidence in the cashier who spends money too freely.



HON. VAN BUREN MARTIN

This was illustrated by pointing out that in a few days after a certain bank failed a new banking firm began doing business in the same bank and the people had faith in the new bank officials and deposited their money in the new institution. It is no good to put money in a stump-hole to keep it if there is a good safe bank in the community.

Money is a fundamental for the business and commercial life of any community. When a bank fails it has about the same effect on a community that the heart does on the body when it stops functioning.

"Take the policy of the local bank," he said. "They will loan the applicant money providing he has ample security with a meritorious reason for needing the money and a good reputation for paying his debts." "I have never been to the bank yet with a client that really was provided with these prerequisites that he did not get the money," Mr. Martin concluded.

CLUB WOMEN CAMP MACKEYS LATE IN JUNE

Mackeys, June.—The week of June 24 to 29 has been assigned to the home demonstration clubs of Washington county for their encampment at Mackeys. The clubs will go into camp on Monday and leave on Saturday. Only club members both women and girls will be allowed to attend. No girl below 12 years of age will be allowed.

The camp will be properly supervised by teachers and state authorities. Athletic directors, and experienced cooks will be provided. Classes of instruction will be given on basketry, interior decoration and picture study. Outdoor sports, such as swimming, fishing, boating, tennis, races, contests, and games will be enjoyed by the campers. Through courtesy of P. M. Arps, of the Rexall Drug Store a radio will be installed for use by the club members during the week.

During the week some splendid tours will be taken. On Friday June 28 a county-wide picnic will be held. Contest, games and free moving pictures will be the main feature of the day. Every member of the home demonstration clubs will be allowed to invite friends to this picnic.

APPROPRIATE \$600 COMBAT FOREST FIRES

Six hundred dollars was appropriated Monday by the County Commissioners to protect 171,587 acres of forest land in Washington county complying with a request from a committee from the local chamber of commerce and L. A. Carter, of Windsor, forester of the Northeastern district of North Carolina, and E. S. Askew, of Avoca in Bertie county, a member of the board of Conservation and Development.

Approximately 82 per cent of the land in Washington county is forest land as there are only about 83,913 acres of cleared land in the 209,500 acres in the county. This appropriation represents a cost of .007 per cent on \$100 valuation of timber.

Forest fires cause a lossage from merchantable timber, second-growth, soil fertility, soil, wild life and grazing. In previous years there has been much good timber wasted in this immediate vicinity by fire. Many times last summer the atmosphere was smoky on account of these forest fires which burned in close view of this town.

FIND CHILD'S GARMENT ON WASHINGTON STREET

A beautiful child's garment was found on the street in front of Mrs. Claudia Read's home on Washington street last week on the afternoon that the women of the county went on the better homes tour. Mrs. Read thinks that inasmuch as the women visited the home of C. J. Norman next to her that perhaps the garment belongs to a child of some of the women on the tour. She asks that claimant apply to her for the child's coat.

PINETOPS MINISTER TO FILL BAPTIST PULPIT SUNDAY

Rev. T. E. Gresham, of Pinetops, will preach in the local Baptist Church at the morning and evening services Sunday. Members of the congregation and others are urged to attend. Rev. Mr. Gresham has preached here before, and is well known in the community.

SLAVES BUILT FIRST CHURCH AT REHOBOTH

Skinner'sville, June 8.—Slaves built the first Methodist Protestant Church in Washington county in 1857.

It is located on the road between Plymouth and Columbia in this section. The land which contains about two acres was sold to Thomas Norman, Gibson I. Cherry, William C. Slight, Ire E. Newman and Abraham Chesson, trustees of the church, by Joseph S. Norman for the sum of \$5.

From meagre information it seems that this land goes back to the heirs of Mr. Norman if it is not continued as a churchyard. The deed was confirmed at the February term of Superior Court in 1853. It was witnessed by William P. Norman and Samuel F. Davenport. F. F. Fagan was clerk of the court at that time.

The members of the church at one time worshipped in a small church located on a tract of land owned by William J. Norman. They were members of the Charles Wesley denomination. Several meetings were held in this church by men from various parts of the country who differed with the Methodist Episcopal Church in their views on rules and regulations of worship.

The origin of the Methodist Protestant Church is thought to have been in Baltimore in the year of 1828. Two brothers, William J. Norman and Capt. Thomas S. Norman, slave holders and Confederate soldiers, gave a tract of land upon which Rehoboth Church now stands. The columns of this church and the Bible stand were used in the church at the time that John Wesley preached in the church while touring this section. These are in the gallery of the church at the present.

The gallery at the time it was first built was used by the slaves. Many influential people of the county attended this house of worship. Gibson Cherry, a young surveyor came into this section and became attached to the family of Noah White, and went to church with them often. When the present church was erected he suggested that the church be called Rehoboth. This church is called by this name until now. Among the prominent people that attended services here were Col. William Pettigrew and his brother, Charles, and the families of the Whites, Slates, Normans and Swifts.

The first children's day service was held in the county at Rehoboth church under the direction of Rev. F. T. Tagg, of Baltimore, Md., in 1885, and for 44 years this has been a foremost dispenser of missionary information. A Christian Endeavor society also flourishes at the church. Some of the leaders were Mesdames William Totten, John Clayton, May Bray, Miss Eleanor Tarkenton, Noah, Sam and Neal Tarkenton, Misses Dora and Fannie Braswell and Joe Braswell.

Mrs. Guilford Davenport and brother, Gibson Cherry, of Charleston, S. C. and Rev. David Braswell did much work in the interest of the church. They also aided in founding the Methodist Protestant Church in Plymouth which was sold to Negroes. Other pastors include Rev. Edward Forlines, professor in the Westminster Theological Seminary, at Baltimore, Md.; Rev. L. W. Getsinger, of the North Carolina Conference; and J. H. Abernethy.

Rev. R. L. Hethcox has been pastor of the church for the last 10 years. During this time the church has experienced many improvements.

Skinner'sville Man Is Convicted On Four Counts Auto Crash

Little Whoopee

A Flapper's Moan

Mary had a little lamb,
Who kissed her on the shoulder;
And every where that Mary went,
That lamb was sure to hold'er
But this was all the lamkin did,
"I love you maid," he told her;
"That may be so," the young thing said,
"But be a little bolder."

Best Etiquette

I eat my beans with honey,—
I've done it all my life,—
It makes the beans taste funny,
But it holds them on my knife.

Something New

Mary had a little nanny goat,
Ate cotton from the bolls;
And when the little lamkins came,
Gee, they wore them rolled.

OPERATORS OF BEAUTY SHOP SUED FOR \$3,000

Injuries sustained as a result of negligence in attention while giving her a permanent wave by operators of the local beauty shop was the alleged basis of a suit commenced in Superior Court here last week by C. L. Bailey, attorney for Miss Alma Knowles daughter of T. E. Knowles of Roper, the plaintiff.

The complaint named Mrs. Irene Latham and Harry W. Latham, as co-partners in the local beauty shop as defendants in the \$3,000 suit. An answer has been filed by the law firm of Ward and Grimes, of Washington, in which the defendant Harry W. Latham denies any interest in the business.

The complaint alleges that during the operation of curling the plaintiff's hair by electrical instruments that Mrs. Latham left the room twice. During her absence the electrical machines burned the scalp of Miss Knowles. This causes the glands of the plaintiff to swell torturing her, she alleges.

LOCAL JUNIORS TO ATTEND LEXINGTON MEET

Juniors from Plymouth will likely attend the cornerstone laying at the North Carolina Junior Order Orphanage near Lexington Sunday afternoon, June 16. With members of the national board of officers and hundreds of other members of the national council of the order, in addition to an army of North Carolina Juniors, in attendance, the event gives promises of being the biggest thing of its kind ever to occur in this State.

The exercises are scheduled to begin in the afternoon at 2:30 with the cornerstone being laid by E. A. Llewellyn, of Ohio, national counselor. Two North Carolina Juniors have places on the program.

POET AND PEASANT

"Say," said the Peasant, "have you been out to the union station lately?"

"Yes, I have to go out real often," replied the Poet.

"Then you know what a hell of a condition that road is in out there between the two railroads," said the Peasant. "Who is supposed to be keeping this road up?"

"I don't know who is supposed to be keeping it up," replied the Poet, "but I do know that it is certainly a black eye to Plymouth, and whoever is responsible for the condition it is in. It is almost impossible to remain in your car going five miles an hour over this piece of road."

"I heard from a very reliable source the other day that this piece of road belonged to the State Highway Commission and that their roadman here was working on it when Chief of Police P. W. Brown went out and told

Louis Bateman Guilty Of Reckless, Drunken Driving Damaging Property

OFFICERS SEEKING JIMMIE SPRUILL

Randolph Morris' Car Was Damaged To Extent Of \$100 Or More In Collision In Skinner'sville Section Sunday Afternoon; A. R. Patrick was Found Not Guilty Of Selling Whiskey; Two Martin County Negroes Tried

Skinner'sville.—Fines totalling \$85; costs of the court increasing this amount by \$20 or more and an order to pay \$100 damages on automobile of Jimmie Morris as the result of an automobile collision in this section Sunday was the combined sentence imposed on Louis Bateman in Recorder's Court Tuesday in Plymouth after he was found guilty of four charges growing out of the wreck.

He was found guilty of operating an automobile under the influence of liquor; reckless driving, being publicly drunk and damaging personal property by a jury. They failed to find him guilty of the second charge that of transporting whiskey. Jimmie Spruill who was charged in the warrant as being an accomplice has not been apprehended as yet.

Tom Norman was sentenced to the roads for four months for abandoning and non-support of his wife and family. He served notice of an appeal. His bond was fixed at \$500. James Davis and his brother of Piney Woods section of Martin county are out under bond of \$300 each for transporting whiskey.

ATTENDING YOUNG PEOPLE'S CONFERENCE

Misses Virginia Cahoon, Neva Liverman, and Leslie Darden were taken to the Neuse Forest Summer School near New Bern, where they will spend this week in the first annual North Carolina Young People's Conference of the Christian Church, by Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Liverman.

This conference is being held under the auspices of the department of education of the United Christian Missionary Society in cooperation with the North Carolina Christian Missionary Society. Others attending from here are Bessie Blount and Claire Wilson, who were taken to the conference by Rev. W. E. Norris.

REVIVAL BEGINS CHRISTIAN CHURCH SUNDAY

A series of revival services will begin at the First Christian Church here Sunday evening, June 9, with the Rev. John Boyd Jones, of St. Petersburg, Fla., as the speaker. Services will begin each evening at 8 o'clock. Music will feature each service.

The visiting revivalist has a reputation of being one among the leading speakers of this denomination.

News For Farm And Home

By MISS ELEANOR PRATT COVINGTON, HOME AGENT
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This is Station WPTF, Raleigh, North Carolina, broadcasting the weekly agricultural program for the North Carolina State College, is the announcement that will be heard by people in Washington county during the next two months on each Wednesday at 12:10 noon.

The lectures which have been arranged on this program are as follows:

June 5.—Farm Outlook for 1929 and 1930—Dr. G. W. Forster, head department of agricultural economics.
June 12.—Parasites of Poultry—H. S. Wilfong, research poultryman.

June 19.—Preventing Decay of Food—James M. Gray, secretary.
Farm Women's Short Course, Mrs. Estelle T. Smith, secretary.
Fruits and Vegetables in the Home—Dr. R. F. Foyle, plant pathologist.
June 26.—State Farmers' Convention

HOME AGENT'S SCHEDULE

Weew Beginning June 10
Monday, Suppernoon
Tuesday, Mackeys
Wednesday, Albemarle
Thursday, Monticello
Friday, Wenona
Saturday, Office