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## Oak City Items

J. L. Hines spent Monday in Hamilton.

A crowd of business men motored to Williamston Monday to attend the meeting of the Board of County Commissioners.

Misses Ruth Savage, of Rocky Mount, and Adele Whitley, of Hobgood, are the guests of the Misses House.

Misses Hattie and Blanche Everett were in town Monday.

Miss Pearl House spent Sunday in Hobgood.

A. R. House returned from Wake Forest Friday where he attended the law school.

Miss Annie May Daughtridge left for Winterville Monday.

Nathan Spruill, of Roper, and the Misses Carrie and Millie Spruill were the guests of Miss Hattie Everett.

A dance was given last Thursday night by the Oak City Club in honor of the Misses Spruill, who left Friday for her home. A. J. Manning, Supt., of Public Instruction for Martin County, and W. C. Manning attended the school rally Friday, which was given by Messrs. Lewis Johnson, Nat Brown and C. M. Hurst. Speeches were made by the Messrs. Manning and Walter Dimmette, of the High School here. Each laid particular emphasis upon the necessity of regular attendance and the enforcement of rules.

L. F. Goodrich celebrated his seventy-fourth birthday on September 3rd. Three generations of children were present. Covers were laid for more than fifty guests, and the blessing was offered by M. C. Lynch, of Salisbury, who is a relative through marriage. J. C. Ross spoke interestingly of the life and labors of Mr. Goodrich, who by soberness and industry had come to a hearty old age and was yet able to work along the side of many younger men. Such a life was worthy of emulation, one which the younger should follow. Among the relatives present were L. F. Goodrich, Jr., of Durham, J. W. Goodrich, of Benson, Mrs. Dora Wiggs, of Salisbury and A. C. Lane, of Goldsboro.

## And Still They Wonder

A strange phenomenon appeared here this week. So strange that people stopped and looked in sheer astonishment, trying to figure out in their minds how the thing could happen here of all places in the world. But it did happen, nevertheless, and after a smile in acknowledgement of the simplicity of the occurrence after all, the people passed on.

It was only a mowing machine, drawn by two Kentucky mules (large of limb and sleek of hide), on which was seated Chief Sawyer holding the whip and the ribbons, and manipulating the brakes with the skill of a Westerner on the fields of Kansas. And, would you believe it? He was cutting down the yellow-headed fennels as the Cossacks did the Austrians at Lemburg. Better still, men with blades were following along trying to lay low those left by the mower, and so the news flashed from one part of the town to the other that the Street Commissioners had returned after a long vacation.

Wheeler Martin spent Thursday in Tarboro on business.

## LOCAL

Don't forget to attend the openings here next week. Read ads in this issue.

Little Miss Elizabeth Hassell, who has been ill with scarlet fever, is reported to be improving, and without further complications will soon be out again.

L. B. Harrison, who about ten days ago had his left foot hurt by a mule which was attempting to get away, has been in bed this week, and has suffered much pain from the injured member.

Tobacco continues to sell higher here than on any market in this section. If you don't believe it, bring a load and see.

**FOR SALE:**—Seven good mules. These mules are well broken and good workers. All young. For further information, apply to the Board of Road Trustees, Williamston Township. B. F. Godwin, Sec'y.

Labor day was strictly observed here by the vagrants, both white and colored.

Tobacco sales are on every day and the prices are good for the grades offered.

School begins next Monday and every parent should see that his children are attending on that day and all thereafter.

Remember that Dr. Alexander will speak here on the 23rd. His is an important subject.

**FOR SALE:**—Surry, runabout and Brewster Trap.—J. G. Staton, City.

Movies at the Gaiety on Monday night. The best and brightest films in the movie world will be exhibited from night to night.

Bring your tobacco here—the strongest market in the East. Try it and see.

**FOR RENT:**—Land that will make 10 barrels of corn, 1½ bales of cotton, 100 bushels of peanuts, for either cash or halves for one third and one fourth, to suit the renter. Apply early J. W. Watts.

Mrs. C. M. Lanier will conduct a private boarding house at the Crawford place on the corner of Smithwick and Church Streets.

The members of the colored Methodist Church will have a rally day Sunday, beginning with the Sunday School at 9:30. At these services it is hoped to raise \$300.00 to help defray the expenses of the improvements on the Church building.

Maurice D. Watts went to Norfolk Thursday for treatment for a trouble which began after his matriculation at the University two years ago. Wednesday night he suffered intensely and upon the advice of Dr. Rhodes his father took him to the hospital, motoring to Plymouth to catch the N. S. train.

**FOR SALE:**—Three-horse farm; good land, good water, two tenant houses, two tobacco barns, packhouse and other buildings. Terms easy, write or see me at once.—J. S. Meeks, City 2.

Yesterday's sales demonstrated the fact that Williamston's tobacco market gathers strength as the days go by. There was a large number of pounds and averages were much higher. People who have tried other markets and were disappointed, found the prices right in the three warehouses here.

**LOST:**—On Sept. 7th between Oak City and Williamston, a leather pouch containing insurance papers. Names on inside, P. A. and J. K. Moore. Please return to J. K. Moore, Hobgood, N. C.

## September Term Of Court

The September Term of the Martin County Superior Court will begin on the third Monday, September 21st, 1914. His Honor Judge Garland S. Ferguson will preside and Hon. Richard Allsbrooks will represent the State. The criminal docket will consume the first days of the first week, and the trial of Mrs. Elizabeth Johnson and Arch Johnson for the murder of Joe Johnson near Oak City on July 4th will be the most important on the docket. As both have confessed to the murder, the trial will be short in consequence. Below follow the cases on the civil docket and the days on which they are set:

Thursday, Sept. 24th, 1914  
Sherrod vs. Sherrod.  
Hassell vs. Steamboat Co  
Well Co. vs. Town of Hamilton.  
Britton vs. Hadley.

Friday, Sept. 25th.  
Boyle vs. R. R. Co.  
Bank vs. Williams & Cowen.  
In re: Walter Page.

In re: W. V. Ormand.  
Monday, Sept. 28th.  
In re: Will of Annie H. Lewis.

Thursday, Oct. 1st.  
Harrell vs. Harrell, et als.  
Worsley, Administrator, vs. Bowers-White Lumber Co.

Wynn et als. vs. Whitehurst.  
Pierce vs. Pierce.  
Friday, Oct. 2nd.  
Bank vs. Josey Guano Co.  
Getsinger, et als vs. Pearce.

## Tobacco Sales

For the twelve months ending August 31st, 1914, there were marketed in the warehouses of the State, 189,649,315 pounds of leaf tobacco. Of this amount, 173,386,131 was sold at first hand. Winston-Salem leads with 28,048,507 pounds. A good deal of North Carolina weed is hauled to Virginia and sold on convenient markets.

Williamston sold 1,630,760 pounds and Robersonville, 1,479,664. This makes an aggregate for the Martin County markets of 3,110,424 pounds, the crop in the county having been smaller in acreage in 1914 and the home markets should sell a greater number of pounds.

## Deferred Action

The question of changing the Hamilton and Goose Nest Townships line was heard before the Bd. of County Commissioner on Monday. There were a number citizens from each township to discuss the matter. The people of Hamilton desire the line changed so that the road to Hassell will be more direct, and want it done before the roads are worked under the act which was recently voted upon. Action on the matter was deferred until the October meeting.

Miss Martha Ward left Thursday for Oxford to enter the Seminary there.

Eugene Bethea left Thursday for Charlottesville, Va., where he will enter the Theological Department of the University.

Mrs. J. L. Mayo, of Washington, is the guest of Mrs. J. W. Watts.

Watts Martin, of Norfolk, has been here this week visiting relatives.

W. H. Jackson returned Tuesday from a short visit to his parents at Spring Hope.

James H. Roberson of Ahsokie, with a partie of friends motored here Thursday.

## "The Sins of the Father"

One of the most important offerings for the present dramatic season will be Thomas Dixon's "The Sins of the Father," which will be seen at the Opera House, Sept. 26th.

It is a powerful plea for improving our race, and as a vehicle for dramatic thought and action it is powerful in every scene and act. Dixon is without doubt one of the greatest living novelists and dramatists and in this great play he has put forth his strongest and best efforts. "The Clansman," was wonderfully interesting and its success was probably equal to any dramatic offering of modern times, but from a dramatic point of view "The Sins of the Father" is greater and its comedy is delicious.

## American Tobacco Company

President Percival S. Hill, of The American Tobacco Company, has sent the following notice to all the company's customers in Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee and Texas:

"We have become aware of the embarrassment brought on the growing sections by the European War, and the resulting inability to market cotton crops. We earnestly hope and believe that this embarrassment is temporary. We are earnestly anxious, though, to contribute, so far as we can, to the relief of it. On that account we will permit our customers in the States above mentioned to discount their bills, on account of purchases made hereafter, within ten days after October 15, 1914. This applies to all purchases of all our lines, and whether of drop shipments or stock shipments."

## To Discuss The Cotton Situation

Dr. H. Q. Alexander, President of the State Farmers Union, will speak in Williamston, Wednesday, September 23rd, at 2 p. m., upon the subject of Storage warehouses for Cotton, which is one of the important subjects of the hour for the Southern farmer. It now looks as if this is the only solution for the cotton farmer, for if the government does not come to his rescue, the price of cotton is destined to be extremely low.

Let all the farmers hear this speech, and come together on some definite plan to handle that part of the crop which is generally handled by the nations at war in Europe. This subject is so vital that it cannot be neglected.

## Cut It Out

When the "Mutt and Jeff" company arrived in town on Friday on the 1:15 train, there was a crowd of boys, of course, at the station to witness their entrance in the town. This is all right so far as it goes, but it went rather far. As the women of the company came down the street, they had to be sandwiched between this same crowd, who were passing certain bright remarks back and forth, advertising, unconsciously their lack of good manners. If the town and the management of the Opera House allow shows to come to town, it is not creditable for any boy or man to try to make it unpleasant for them. It is hoped that this will not occur again in Williamston. Remember that there is police protection against annoyance in any town.

## PERSONAL

J. E. Manning and family are the guests of Editor and Mrs. Manning on Haughton Street.

Misses Fannie Murt Manning and Sallie Hadley left for the A. C. College at Wilson Tuesday.

Charlie Mobley left Tuesday for the A. C. College at Wilson.

Miss Louise B. Upton left Tuesday for Maxton to resume her studies at Carolina College.

Richard Smith and Earl Leggett, who will enter Christ School at Arden, left Tuesday morning.

Miss Allie Hadley went to Oxford Tuesday to take a post-graduate course at the Seminary there.

Miss Mary Robertson left Tuesday for the mountains of Virginia.

C. C. Fagan was here Monday from Dardans.

Harry Waldo, P. H. Davenport and John Martin were here from Hamilton Monday.

J. A. Bennett was here from Oak City on Monday.

J. J. Weaver, of Gold Point, spent Monday in town.

Dr. J. A. White was here Saturday.

Misses Mary Shelburn and Ethel Skinner, of Greenville, were here to see "Mutt and Jeff."

Miss Hilda Crawford left Monday for the G. F. College at Greensboro. She was joined at Everetts by Misses Vada and Eva Wynne.

Arthur Anderson and little Miss Mattie Lou left Monday for Baltimore.

W. T. Meadows and wife with Miss Eloise and Master W. T. Meadows spent Monday in Rocky Mount.

Charles Biggs, Ernest Brown and Cortez Green left Monday for Arden where they will enter Christ School for the fall and winter term.

E. S. Peel was here from Greenville Saturday evening.

Mrs. L. C. Harrison and Miss Proctor arrived from Baltimore on Saturday.

Mrs. C. M. Lanier came home from Arden on Sunday evening.

W. H. Harrell, who has been in Birmingham for several months, came home last week and returned to Chapel Hill Tuesday.

J. W. Manning, Simon Lilley, Octavious Manning, Mrs. W. C. Manning and Miss Fannie Murt Manning attended service at Flat Swamp on Sunday.

Mrs. J. T. Standford and Miss Pearl Hill left for Rich Square on Monday.

C. D. Carstarphen is in Baltimore this week purchasing fall goods.

Miss Velma Blount, of Bethel, spent the week-end with Miss Carrie Dell Blount.

Miss Allie Dell Gainor, of Bethel, is visiting relatives here.

Miss Carrie Dell Blount left for Greensboro Wednesday where she will enter the G. F. College.

Mrs. J. D. Biggs went to Scotland Neck Wednesday.

Dr. John D. Biggs went to Wilson on business Wednesday.

Mrs. S. N. Yarrell and little granddaughter left Wednesday for Macon to visit relatives.

Miss Pearl Merdows went to Parmele Wednesday to meet a friend.

Miss Mamie VanNorthwick is

## Hamilton Items

James Rawls left Saturday for Panacea to spend his vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Boyle Mrs. Harry Waldo and Mrs. D. C. Jones spent Friday in Williamston.

Miss Fannie Matthews returned Friday from a trip to Macon.

Several from here attended "Mutt and Jeff" in Williamston Friday night.

Mrs. W. E. Davenport and children spent last week at the seashore.

Earl Gardner has returned from Virginia Beach.

W. N. Worsley spent Sunday in Oak City.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Davis went to Oak City Sunday.

J. A. Davenport left Sunday for Baltimore to purchase fall goods.

C. D. Perkins, F. L. Haislip, Asa Johnson and F. L. Gladstone motored to Norfolk Sunday and spent Labor Day.

J. W. Davenport and family spent Sunday here.

Misses Mary L. Carstarphen, Leona and Bessie Page were from Williamston Sunday.

Titus Critcher and Sampson Hadley, of Williamston, were here Sunday.

Mesdames Wheeler Martin, William Hodges and J. D. Howell were here Tuesday doing church work.

Mrs. M. I. Fleming, J. P. Boyle and wife B. B. Sherrod and wife went to the races at Tarboro Monday.

E. A. Council was here Sunday.

Miss Clara Everett is here with her uncle who is very sick.

Mrs. Charlie Calhoun has been the guest of Mrs. Henry Johnson.

Miss Lottie Williams left Friday.

Arch Sherrod Baker left Tuesday for Durham.

Willie Sherrod left for school at Warrenton Tuesday.

Frank Roberson left for his home in Roanoke Rapids.

Mrs. Edward Norman and son left Tuesday for her home in Norfolk.

Mrs. M. I. Fleming spent several days in Enfield last week.

Miss Pattie Sherrod went to Tarboro last week.

Miss Lida Inscow left Friday for Greensboro.

Miss Hattie Floyd spent last week in Rocky Mount.

P. H. Davenport went to Florence, S. C., Friday on business.

Hamilton and Oak City played ball Saturday. Score was 8 to 0 in favor of the former, which has won every game this season. Hurrah for Hamilton.

the guest of Miss Eva Wolfe.

Elder Sylvester Hassell went to Conetoe Wednesday to conduct a funeral service.

Mr. and Mrs. Newbery who have been visiting relatives here, left for home on Tuesday.

L. C. Bennett attended the races at Tarboro on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Moore arrived on Wednesday and for the present are at the home of Mrs. W. H. Harrell.

Mrs. Joseph Martin and little son, of Norfolk are the guests of Mrs. J. K. Carstarphen.