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FEDERAL COURT BEGINS MONDAY IN WASHINGTON

Largest Number of Cases Ever on Docket There

MARTIN HAS 36 CASES

Practically All Are For Violation of Prohibition Law; Few Cases Come Under the Jones Act

Judging from the number of cases scheduled for hearing in Federal court next week in Washington before Judge Meekins, there will be little room for spectators. With 36 cases from this county and many from other counties in the district, the court will apparently do well to care for the witnesses, attorneys, court attendants, and defendants.

CLUB LEADERS MEET HERE

Nutrition Specialist Gives Vegetable-Cooking Demonstration

The leaders in the food and nutrition project carried on in the home demonstration clubs in the county, assembled at 1:30 yesterday afternoon in Miss Sleeper's office here to listen to the interesting discussion and demonstration given by Miss Mary E. Thomas, nutrition specialist of the extension division of State College, Raleigh.

In giving the demonstration, "The proper method of cooking leafy and root vegetables," Miss Thomas used stuffed cabbage, kale and carrots. There were ten leaders in attendance upon the meeting, Miss Margaret Everett and Mrs. D. W. Hyman, of Palmyra, Mrs. L. W. Brown and Mrs. Pennie Martin, of Jamesville, Mrs. R. L. Smith, Mrs. C. A. Roberson and Mrs. C. L. Wilson, of Robersonville, Mrs. J. D. Biggs, of Williamston and Mrs. Lucian Hardison and Mrs. Neal Godard, of Holly Springs.

Heavy Wind Last Night Blown Down Large Barn

A heavy wind did much damage on the J. G. Godard farm at Skewarkey church last night, when a large stock barn was laid flat and the tops of several other buildings were blown off and scattered.

While several of the buildings can be repaired, the stock barn was so completely wrecked that it will be necessary to start its reconstruction at the ground. The building was on a cement foundation and was considered very solid, but the wind sent it to the ground smashing several pieces of machinery sheltered under its roof.

While no authentic report of the damage done has been made at this time, the loss will run into several hundred dollars it is believed.

No Fair Here This Year Says President of Fair Association

There will be no Roanoke Fair this year, according to a statement made yesterday afternoon by Mr. J. G. Staton, the Roanoke Fair Association's president and owner. "The fair has failed out," the owner stated, "and as far as I know, there'll be no fair here this year," he continued.

No reason for not holding a fair here this year was learned, but it is believed that the association has been operating at a loss during the past several seasons; and after experiencing such losses the owner called the event off.

The owner had no statement to make relative to the holding of a fair next year or at any time in the future and offered no information as to what would be done with the buildings or for what purpose the grounds would be used.

It had been rumored for some time that there would be no fair held here this year, but until recently it was understood that the grounds would possibly be rented to other parties and that a fair would be held.

TOWN BOARD TO MEET MONDAY

Survey of Proposed Paving Program Will Be Presented

The survey for the town's proposed paving program will be presented at the regular meeting of the commissioners here Monday night, it was stated by an official yesterday afternoon. Captain George Brooks, engineer appointed here a few weeks ago, has completed the measurements of the sidewalks to be paved, and will outline the procedure of work to be followed, it is understood.

Other matters that are likely to come before the next Monday meeting will have to do with the holding of a town convention, it is understood. Other than the paving survey and the calling of a convention, no other matters are on docket for consideration at the meeting, according to statements coming from the mayor's office.

Special Easter Service At Memorial Baptist

A timely service, consisting of song, prayer, praise and sermon, will feature the day at the Baptist church Sunday.

There will be special music. Mrs. Warren Biggs, at the organ, and Mrs. Holliday, leading the choir, assure the music.

There will be meditation, responsive Scripture reading, and praise through appropriate songs.

The pastor will preach upon the only fitting theme for an Easter service, "The Resurrection of Our Lord."

This will be the only preaching service the Baptists will hold on Easter Day. Beginning at 10:45 o'clock, with the Sunday school then going into the regular morning service, it is hoped to crowd a very great deal into these Easter hours.

Stress Importance of Health Examinations

Stressing the importance of yearly health examinations, Drs. Fred R. Taylor, of High Point, and J. W. Hauser, of Raleigh, were in the county this week making special examinations of the several county doctors' patients. The visiting doctors asked each physician here and at Robersonville to bring one of his patients for an examination.

It was learned in the examinations here that one or two subjects who thought they had some disease were well and all right, while on the other hand one or two were found to be suffering with disease who thought they were in perfect health.

Special Easter Service at Jamesville Baptist Church

Conducting the only service in Jamesville next Sunday, Rev. W. P. Harrington, pastor of the Baptist church there, is planning a special Easter service, and is inviting members of all the churches to attend the services.

REGULAR MEET WOMAN'S CLUB HELD THURSDAY

Sponsor Clean-Up Campaign To Be Staged 'Better Homes Week'

CIRCULATE PETITION

Petition Would Call Election On Changing To City-Manager Form of Government

The outstanding business transacted yesterday at the Woman's club was the passage of a resolution introduced by Mrs. J. G. Staton to circulate a petition among the voters of Williamston to call an election for the purpose of deciding whether or not the people of the town want to hire a city manager.

TAX COLLECTION FALLING BEHIND

Both Town and County Collectors Are Way Behind Last Year's Record

With only one more month in which to settle taxes, both county and town, one is slightly at difference with Benjamin Franklin when he says: "The taxes are indeed very heavy, and if those laid on by the government were the only ones we had to pay, we might more easily discharge them; but we have many others, and much more grievous to some of us. We are taxed twice as much for our idleness, three times as much by our pride, and four times as much by our folly, and from these taxes the commissioners can not ease or deliver us by allowing an abatement."

The county collector states that payments this year are ten to twelve thousand dollars behind those of last year for the same period. However, Sheriff Roebuck and his assistant, Mr. S. H. Grimes, are optimistic, stating that they look for good collections during the month of April.

As for the town collections, they are considerably behind, Chief W. B. Daniel stated yesterday afternoon. From present indications, there will be a large amount of property offered for sale in both the town and county. Yet there is another month for the taxpayers to make settlements, and until the first of May it will be impossible to predict the trend in payments.

SMALL CATCHES FISH REPORTED

Seine Fishermen on Roanoke Handicapped by High Water

Working against high and strong waters, seine fishermen on the Roanoke are reporting very small catches this week. Very few hauls have netted over 250 fish, and the handling of the seines is very slow, according to reports coming from Jamesville.

Nets have been in the water at the fisheries near Plymouth for several days, but the catches have been negligible. Jamesville fishermen placed a seine in the water at Camp Point early this week and another in Jamesville yesterday, reports from both places stating poor luck.

High water has also interfered with other fishing on the Roanoke and up until this time very few carp nets have been placed in the water. Nets shipped here by Messrs. Schwartzman and Epstein are now in readiness to be placed in the water, and it is understood that as soon as the water fall the particular type of fishing will be pushed. Shipments of carps will be made direct to New York.

Ollie Hamilton Shows Here All Next Week

Featuring the latest in comedy-drama, Ollie Hamilton, himself, and a company of 30 people will play here all of next week in their tent on Main and Watts Street. Offering a change in program each night, Ollie and his company will play here all of the week.

The Virginia Ramblers, jazz artists, so to speak, will accompany the show, according to an announcement made by Mr. Hamilton yesterday.

Local Girl Is Editor Of College Magazine

Miss Lucille Hassell, local girl and a student at Salem College, Winston-Salem, has been elected editor-in-chief of "The Salemite," a magazine published by the students of the college. Miss Hassell, who is only 17 years of age, enters the institution next year as a senior.

Town Election to be Held in May; Little Interest So Far

While there are rumors that would indicate a lively town election here this year, nothing definite as to the forthcoming political event has presented itself at this time. When questioned yesterday, two or three of the present officials stated that they were planning no campaign, that they had not given the election serious thought up until this time.

If the rumors carry any weight—no authoritative source having been established for them at this time, however—the women of the town will add little to the event. According to the rumors, at least three women will campaign for seats on the board of commissioners, but it is understood that no direct claim has been made for the office of mayor.

PROCEEDINGS IN SUPERIOR COURT

Many Compromises Are Effected; Few Cases Go To Jury

While there have been many compromises effected in the civil session of the superior court here this week, very few cases have gone to the jury. Two divorces were granted this week and six other cases were cleared from the civil docket by the jury.

A \$20.42 judgment was given D. G. Matthews in his suit against B. C. Gurganus and S. B. Hollingsworth.

650 SHARES OF B. AND L. SOLD

Expected That At Least 50 More Shares Will Be Sold

According to a statement made yesterday morning by an officer of the building and loan association, 650 shares of stock have been sold in the association's twenty-fourth series to date. While the sale during the series established no new record in the number of shares issued in former series.

Sues Wife Because She Wouldn't Support Him

Washington, N. C., March 28.—If a woman has the right to sue a man for non-support, then in these days of equal suffrage and other equalities of sex, a man has the right to sue a woman on the same grounds. At any rate, that was the reasoning of John Latham, Negro who sought legal recourse this morning in Judge Sam Blount's court over the refusal of his wife, Mary, to support him any longer.

John explained that for five years Mary had taken in washing and had done house cleaning for the white folks of the town, thereby enabling him and her to live quite comfortably without working, however, she left him two weeks ago and went to live with her mother, thereby leaving him without any means of support. He brought Judge Blount to do something about it. The judge did. He warned John that unless the latter secured a job within a week's time, there would be a sixty-day road sentence awaiting him.

Judge Small Addresses Kiwanians Wednesday

The Kiwanis club with Mr. C. A. Harrison in charge of the program held a very good meeting last Wednesday when Judge Walter L. Small, of Elizabeth City, addressed the assemblage. Judge Small, who is completing a two-weeks term of superior court here today, and Rev. J. M. Waters, of Wilson, were special guests of the club.

Judge Small speaking on law enforcement, pointed out that while the people are desirous of good laws and their enforcement, they are not very willing to take the responsibility of true citizenship. The people are the government and while they wish the benefits it offers, they shirk, in many cases, the responsibility of administering it, the speaker continued.

BEGIN BIG TASK OF UNRAVELING NEW SCHOOL LAW

State Equalization Board Holds First Meeting in Raleigh This Week

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Status of Schools in Martin County Purely Speculative Until Survey Can Be Made

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PROCEEDINGS IN SUPERIOR COURT

Final Check on Pre-School Clinics Held in County Disappointing

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Many Tobacco Men Are Visitors Here This Week

A number of tobacco men have been in town this week looking over the crop situation in this section.

County Doctors Attend Meeting in Kinston

Attending the district medical meeting in Kinston Wednesday night, Doctors Smithwick, of Jamesville; Warren, Saunders, and Rhodes, of this place, offer a very favorable account of the evening's session. "More than a hundred doctors from this part of the State were in attendance upon the meeting. Leading questions before the profession were discussed, and valuable instruction was given by a specialist from Philadelphia."

Program of Services at First Methodist Church

Dr. O. P. Fitzgerald, Minister

Everetts Woodmen Have Good Meeting

Handling routine matters at their meeting last Monday night, twenty-five members enjoyed the program at the Everetts Modern Woodmen camp that evening.

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Program of Services at Church of the Advent

Good Friday service: Friday evening at 7:30 p. m. Subject "The History of the Crucifixion."

Presbyterian Services In County Sunday

The Rev. A. J. Crane will preach at the Woman's Club Room here next Sunday morning at 11 o'clock.

Township List Takers To Be Announced

Failure to pass the bill by the legislature to change the time of listing property for taxation from May 1 to January 1, is necessitating the preparation for the 1929 listing at this time.

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HONOR ROLL FOR HASSELL SCHOOL

Shows Increase of Over 100 Per Cent Over Previous Month

More than a 100 per cent increase was recorded in the Hassell school honor roll for the sixth month, according to a list of honor students announced yesterday by the school's principal, G. S. Haislip. Twenty-six pupils met the requirements to get their names on the roll.

The roll, by grades, follows:

Final Report Made on T. B. Clinic Held Here

According to an official report of the tuberculin clinic held here last month under the supervision of the Woman's Club, two children were found diseased and seven others were warned to take special care of themselves.

Will Serve Luncheon to Board of Commissioners

There'll be at least one pleasant feature to the meeting of the board of county commissioners here next Monday, according to an announcement of plans made by Home Agent Miss Lora E. Sleeper and the members of the Holly Springs Demonstration club.

Christian Church Program of Services

Christian church services Sunday 6 A. M. Prayer meeting, 9:45 Sunday school.

WATTS THEATRE

Saturday March 30
JACK HOXIE
in
"The Forbidden Trail"
Also COMEDY and
Serial "The Vanishing West"

Monday-Tuesday April 1-2
Alice White and Jack Mulhall
in
"NAUGHTY BABY"
M. G. M. News Assoc's Fables
Shows at 7:15 and 9 P. M. Daily
MUSIC BY PHOTOTONE