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## NEW SCHOOL BUS LAW TO AFFECT MANY IN COUNTY

### Children Living Within 2 Miles of School Will Have To Walk

Many Martin County school children will be affected by the new transportation law during the coming term, if present plans are carried out. Children living within two miles of a public school will have to walk instead of riding as a result of reduced appropriations for transportation called for by the last legislature. And children living within one and one-half miles of a truck route will have to walk that distance if they are to make connections for transportation to the several schools.

The State department, it was said, will restrict truck routes with a view to obtaining economy in operation, and children who used to think walking three or four blocks was a big job might as well limber up their legs and get ready for a real marathon.

Very little saving is expected to result in this county from the economy move. According to Superintendent of Schools J. C. Manning a reduction in the number of children hauled can be expected, but the number of trucks and the mileage will remain about the same. Crowded conditions in trucks will be partially relieved, but even then it is believed as many as 50 children will be carried in several of the trucks.

Last year the county operated 40 trucks, and at the present time it is believed that equally that many will be in use during the coming term.

## LOOK BETTER IN THURSDAY GAME

### Elliott Pitches 4-Hit Game To Win Over Colerain Here 13 To 0

Playing errorless ball, the Williamston nine behind the four-hit pitching of Elliott, new star twirler, yesterday afternoon defeated Colerain on the local lot by a 13 to 0 score. Even though there was little, if any, hope for the locals to win the first half, a fair-sized number of the faithful turned out for the game yesterday to see the new pitcher and a new second baseman, Evans, in action.

Striking out at his first turn at bat, Elliott during the remainder of the game got as many hits as he allowed, making two singles, a two-base hit, and a three-bagger. Evans hit safely three out of five. Brake led with four hits out of four turns at bat. The locals were in a hitting mood, touching Shields and Magee for 20 hits.

Only 29 men faced Elliott, and of the few getting on base only one ever reached second. Elliott struck out 8 and was credited with 1 assist and 1 out. He issued no walks.

Uzzle was out of the game on account of illness and James held down the third sack, Oscar Anderson, Jr., playing his first full game here in right field.

The new material showed up well, but too late to save the first half for Williamston.

Ending first-half play this afternoon, the several clubs are getting right for an interesting period of play beginning next Tuesday and ending Friday, August 25.

## Edenton Player Is Badly Hurt in Game Yesterday

Vincent O'Brien, manager for the Edenton baseball team and the man who pitched his team to victory in two games against Williamston on Wednesday, was badly hurt when struck by a ball pitched by Watkins in the Edenton-Windsor game at Edenton yesterday afternoon.

O'Brien was knocked unconscious but soon revived and walked from the field after a short rest. Dr. J. A. Powell, club physician, said last night that preliminary examinations disclosed that O'Brien had had a hemorrhage of the inner ear. The physician said he would not be able to determine the full extent of the injuries until later.

Edenton won the game 9 to 1, and thereby mathematically won the first half honors. Regardless of the outcome of the remaining games, Edenton is assured top place.

## Announces Topic at Church of the Advent for Sunday

At the morning service at the Advent this Sunday the subject of the sermon will be: "The Responsibility of the One-Talent Christian." There will be no evening service, but our congregation is urged to go to the union service at the Methodist church. The regular service at the Holy Trinity Mission near Bear Grass will be at 4 o'clock.

## Tobacco Crop in General Is Declared Better Than Usual

Farmers generally declare their tobacco crops are very promising at this time. It is very seldom that one hears a farmer who says the condition of the crop is not above the average. Early curings are said to have turned out well with a color brighter than usual. The crop has not ripened very rapidly during the past few days, but with normal weather from now on there will be a busy time on the farms in this section next week and the week after. The outlook now is for the completion of the earliest harvesting in years. Judging from the fields, it is

quite evident that farmers as a rule are working for the light, chaffy type of tobacco, the kind that has commanded higher prices than other types during the past several years. The growers are permitting their tobacco to run up, entire fields having the appearance of huge flower gardens. Warehousemen are making extensive preparations for handling the crop this year, all believing that prices will be better than they were last season and that real prosperity will be under way when the markets start opening in a little over a month and a half from now.

## TWO BOYS ARE CHARGED WITH STEALING MEAT

### Perlie Gardner Recovers 22 of 23 Hams Stolen Last Tuesday

Redden Tyre and Perlie Hardison, young Williams Township white men, were bound over to the superior court under \$300 bond each by Justice of the Peace J. L. Hassell here Wednesday in connection with the theft of 23 hams from Perlie Barber, Jamesville Township farmer, two days before. The two men are said to have admitted the charge.

Eighteen of the hams were sold to a store in Greenville for about \$10, 17 of the number having been recovered by officers and returned to the owner. One of the eighteen hams had been sold by the merchant, who lost what he had invested in the meat, as Tyre had spent the money. Five of the hams were found in outbuilding on the Lawrence Lilly farm.

Mrs. Barber, going to the smokehouse early Tuesday morning for meat for breakfast, missed the hams. Officers were called, and the car used by Tyre and Hardison was trailed to Tyre's home. The boy was not at home when officers made three or four calls there to question him.

Wednesday morning, Tyre went to the sheriff's office, and inquired why officers were looking for him. Sheriff C. B. Roebuck frankly told him that he was believed to have been a party to the meat stealing and that Barber was expected to swear out a warrant against him. The boy then wanted to know if it would be all right to pay the owner for the meat and drop the case. He further indirectly implicated himself, and finally told the sheriff he would go with him to Greenville and show him where the hams were sold. Very little trouble was experienced in recovering 22 of the 23 hams.

The boys are out under bond and are scheduled to appear for trial in the September term of superior court.

## Opening Funeral Parlor in Main Street Store Here

The S. R. Biggs Company, for more than 50 years in the drug business here, discontinued its prescription and retail departments this week, and is now turning the Main Street store into a modern undertaking establishment.

A small lobby is being provided in the front of the store, and a waiting room will be arranged in addition to a large showroom and other departments necessary in the operation of a modern undertaking parlor.

## Oak Grove Sunday School Has Picnic Last Friday

A picnic celebrating the first anniversary of the Oak Grove Sunday school was held last Friday at Public Landing beach, a large number of the people from the community attending.

A plentiful lunch was served, the superintendent, T. F. Respass, offering thanks. Swimming was enjoyed until 4 o'clock that afternoon, all those attending thoroughly enjoying the events of the day.

## CLUB STANDINGS

Team	W	L	Pct.
Edenton	17	6	.739
Williamston	14	9	.609
Windsor	11	11	.500
Ahoksie	10	12	.455
Elizabeth City	8	14	.364
Colerain	7	15	.318

## ELEVEN CASES ARE TRIED IN COUNTY COURT

### Over \$200 in Fines Levied; Session Continues Into Afternoon

After enjoying a holiday Tuesday of last week, the Martin County Recorder's Court last Tuesday called 11 cases an afternoon session being required to complete the docket. For the first time in years, Clerk of Court R. J. Peel was unable to serve the tribunal on account of illness. His assistants kept the minutes of the court, and work progressed as usual.

It was a profitable day, the court placing fines aggregating nearly \$200. J. T. Wallace, charged with operating an automobile while intoxicated, was fined \$50 and taxed with the costs. The court provided for the payment of \$5 weekly until the account is settled.

Douglas Edwards, the colored man charged with practicing medicine without license, was fined \$75 and taxed with the costs.

Percy Davis was sentenced to the roads for a period of six months in the case charging him with larceny. A fine of \$25 was imposed and the tax added in the case charging Will Spruill with an assault with a deadly weapon.

Prayer for judgment was continued in the case charging Joe and Walter Godard, Jamesville Township men, with violating the liquor laws.

In the case charging Jimmie Jones and Selma Biggs with violating the liquor laws and operating a disorderly house, Jones was fined \$15 and taxed with the costs. A non-suit resulted as to the defendant Biggs.

Kan Manning, charged with assaulting a female, was sentenced to the roads for four months, the court suspending the sentence upon payment of the costs in the case.

Jack Hux was fined \$15 and taxed with the costs in the case charging him with violating the liquor laws.

John Brown was sentenced to the roads for a period of 12 months in two cases charging him with larceny.

Prayer for judgment was continued in the case charging William Rogers with violating the liquor laws.

Judgment was suspended upon the payment of the costs in the case charging Sheppard Rice with trespass.

## RETURN TWO TO KINSTON SCHOOL

### 13-Year-Old Girl from This County and Companion Left Sunday

Little Pattie Winberry, 13-year-old Martin County girl, and her companion whose home was in Haywood County, and who is not over 12 or 13 years old, were returned to the Caswell Training School, near Kinston, this week by welfare authorities. The two young girls mysteriously escaped from the correctional institution shortly after midnight last Sunday and found their way to the Winberry home near here. Sleeping in a room with 60 or more little folks, the two girls walked out unnoticed. They are believed to have walked to Kinston and slipped around the town before daylight Sunday morning. After that they walked and begged rides. The little girl from Candor, whose name is Spain, was turned over to welfare authorities after she had tried to beg rides along the highway last Tuesday and she told the story. The Winberry girl was again taken into custody and the two were returned that afternoon.

## DOUBLE WIN BY EDENTON SEWS UP FIRST HALF

### Added Strength Enables the Edenton Team To Out-Class Local Nine

Williamston's baseball team lost all chances of winning the first half in the Albemarle League last Wednesday when it dropped two games to the fast Edenton nine. And already some keen competition is in the making for a top position at the end of the second half beginning next Tuesday.

After leading the league during a greater part of the first half, the locals started weakening in the face of increased strength added to other teams in the league. The locals were too late in strengthening themselves and they were just outclassed in the crucial period of the first half. Edenton climbed gradually to top position by winning over everything in the league during the past several days. Rained out last Tuesday at Edenton, the game scheduled for that afternoon was played Wednesday morning, the Colonials winning, 9 to 2. A second game between the two teams was played here that afternoon and the visitors won, 4 to 3.

"Mule" Shirley, former big leaguer, squeezing into the Edenton lineup via loose rules and regulations that may wreck the whole league, is due much of the credit in Edenton's victories. He made 5 hits in the two games and held down the first sack in a mastery manner.

In the morning game, O'Brien held Williamston to five hits, his team supporting him without an error. Kugler started on the mound for Williamston and was relieved by Herring in the eighth, the two allowing a total of 11 hits. Eight errors figured prominently in the defeat. Kugler struck out seven and Herring fanned two. Four were given bases by O'Brien and Kugler walked one.

Three errors proved costly to the locals in the afternoon game when the locals should at least split even with the visitors. Cherry, working on the mound for Williamston, pitched one of the best games of the season. He allowed 10 hits, three for extra bases, but in the tough spots he handled himself well, striking out 11 men, 3 in one inning, and ending several threats of the visitors to score.

O'Brien arranged his own laurels for the day and pitched all of the second game, allowing only three hits, striking out six men and assisting in seven outs.

The box and summary of the afternoon contest:

WILLIAMSTON	AB	R	H	PO	A	E
Earp, ss	4	0	1	0	0	1
Gaylord, lf	3	0	0	0	0	0
Latham, c	4	1	1	1	1	0
Brake, cf	4	0	1	4	0	0
Uzzle, 3b	4	0	0	0	2	1
xFrank	0	0	0	0	0	0
Taylor, rf	2	0	0	8	0	0
Herring, lb	2	0	0	0	0	0
James, rf-lb	3	1	0	2	0	0
Newsome, 2b	2	1	0	2	2	0
Cherry, p	3	0	0	0	3	0
Totals	31	3	3	27	16	3

EDENTON	AB	R	H	PO	A	E
J. Webb, rf	5	1	1	4	2	1
Leary, ss	5	2	3	16	1	0
Shirley, lf	5	0	1	0	7	0
O'Brien, p	5	0	1	0	7	0
Suttonfield, c	4	0	2	5	2	1
Hart, cf	5	0	1	1	0	0
C. Webb, lf	3	0	1	0	0	0
Partin, 2b	3	0	0	0	1	1
Lassiter, 3b	4	1	1	0	3	0
Totals	36	4	10	27	16	3

Score by innings: Edenton 100 010 020-4; Williamston 000 000 021-3. Summary: Two-base hits: Suttonfield 2, Latham; three-base hit, Leary; hit on pitcher, J. Webb by Cherry; base on balls, off Cherry 5, off O'Brien 1; struck out, by Cherry 11, by O'Brien, 6. Umpires: Joyner and Wyatt. Time of game, 2:02.

## Peanut Truck Is Wrecked Near Windsor Yesterday

Jonah Clemmon, colored man, was slightly hurt about the ankle and back yesterday morning at 3:30 o'clock when the big truck he was driving was wrecked between here and Windsor. Clemmon states that the truck was struck by a passenger car and caused to turn over with its load of peanuts. Considerable damage was done to the machine, but only a few peanuts, scheduled for delivery in Suffolk, were lost in the wreck. Occupants of the car are understood to have been placed under arrest by Bertie authorities.

The truck belonged to Mr. J. R. Everett, of this place.

## Schedule of Services at the Local Methodist Church

C. T. Rogers, pastor. Church services at 10:30 a. m. Sunday school at 9:45. Union service at the Methodist church at 8 p. m. Epworth League Monday at 8 p. m. Holly Springs Sunday school at 10 a. m. Preaching, 3:30 p. m.

## Plan To Reduce Acreage in Cotton Is Believed Successful

### MUCH CANNING HAS BEEN DONE IN THIS COUNTY

### Home Agent Says Present Indication Point To A Successful Program

Although the dry weather limited vegetable crops considerably, the welfare canning program is advancing rapidly and present indications point to a very successful food preservation campaign among the needy as well as among others, Miss Lora E. Sleeper, home agent, said this morning the agent believes that all of the several thousand containers will be used during the remainder of this month and during August, when the canning program comes to a close.

In connection with the program, Miss Sleeper had the following to say: "Canning is now going on all over the county and families in the county are urged to help themselves by canning their food supply for winter use. Every person should have 28 1-2 quarts of vegetables and 22 1-2 quarts of fruits, making a total of 57 quarts for each person in the county. This quantity will supply a person for 24 weeks. How about your winter food supply? Now is the time to make provision for winter foods.

"Meetings have been held in Jamesville, Free Union, Robersonville, Hassells, Hamilton, Oak City, Everetts, Williamston, and Parmele, thus far. It is hoped that every one will come out to the meetings as they are held in your communities even though you may have nothing to can. Bulletins, recipes, and glass jars are being given to all those who have this past year found it necessary to secure help. Other folks are welcome to the meetings and bulletins will be supplied wherever a request is made.

"For canning success, have plenty of good hot boiling water to begin with. Everything must be clean, wash jars, tops, etc., thoroughly and put on in lukewarm water and bring to the boil and let boil. Gather vegetables fresh, one hour from the garden to the jar is a good rule. The non-acid vegetables such as butterbeans, okra, squash, string beans, garden peas, corn, and field peas require the intermittent method or three-day processing if there is no steam pressure cooker available.

"For corn, blanch 2 minutes on the cob in boiling hot water, cut from the cob and cook in open kettle 10 minutes before adding to the hot jars. Process corn 1 hour and 30 minutes each day for three days. "Squash is pre-cooked 10 minutes in boiling water and processed in jars one hour and 40 minutes each day for three days.

"Many ask the question: 'Why can't I can the vegetables 3 hours just one day instead of the trouble of the three day method. Non-acid vegetables are especially hard to keep, owing to the spore-forming bacteria bacteria without the spore-forming bacteria are resistant to boiling temperature and after a cooking of three hours will grow and become adult bacteria. The boiling temperature will kill the adult bacteria."

## GROWERS MAY KEEP LOBBYIST

### Williamston Asked To Aid In Keeping Representative in Washington

At a recent meeting of Eastern Carolina and Virginia peanut growers a fund was proposed to keep a representative in Washington City to look after their interest before Congress and the various departments of agriculture.

Williamston was asked to contribute \$25 as its part of the expense. Farmer J. G. Staton, designated as collector of the fund, has already contributed a good portion of the amount asked personally. Any person desiring to help the peanut industry is asked to forward a donation of whatever size he feels able to give Mr. Staton, who will forward it on to the secretary of the Eastern Carolina Chamber of Commerce.

Efforts are now underway to establish a price not less than three cents a pound for the 1933 crop. Interested citizens have visited Washington on several occasions and prospects are said to be encouraging for an established price. However, it is necessary that some one acquainted with the peanut belt be on hand at all times to answer questions and represent the growers in Washington.

## TEACHERS GET PAY

Checks representing the last salary installment due are being mailed to a majority of Martin County teachers this week, it was learned from the superintendent's office yesterday. Only a few teachers in one or two local tax districts will have to wait longer for a final settlement for services rendered during the recent school term.

Tax collections in nearly all the local districts have been sufficient to warrant the payment of salaries provided for the seventh and eighth months.

## TO PUT SHOWERS AT PLAY GROUND

### Club Committee Appealing To Citizens To Keep Streets Clean

At a meeting of the executive committee of the local Woman's Club at the home of Mrs. J. G. Staton, president, last Wednesday, final votes were taken in regard to showers to be placed upon the playground lot owned by the club. The club hopes to install six showers which will accommodate 25 or 30 children at one time, the town obligating to give the water.

The club will resume its regular meetings the first Thursday in September, the day of meeting having been changed from the fourth to the first Thursday in the month. The executive meeting was preceded by a delightful bridge luncheon with the officers and chairmen of various committees enjoying Mrs. Staton's hospitality.

Under the direction of the civic committee, the club is making a determined drive for a cleaner town. Direct appeals have been made urging those who enjoy curb service to place their paper cups and napkins in the cans provided for trash.

## HEALTH REPORT FOR PAST MONTH

### Whooping Cough Continues To Spread; Three Cases Typhoid Fever

Martin County's health report for the month of June was not very encouraging in that whooping cough continued to spread and typhoid fever made its appearance in three sections. However, the conditions revealed in the report are not alarming. A marked check on the spread of typhoid fever has already been instituted and the number of whooping cough cases were decreased a third under the May number.

According to a report released by the health officer's office this week, there were 55 new cases of whooping cough reported during the period. Eight of the cases were reported in one family in Williams township and eleven of the 47 cases in the district were among colored families. A baby, only six weeks old, is a victim of the cough, the report shows.

Two of the three cases of typhoid fever were reported in Williamston Township and one in Jamesville Township, all being among colored families. Three cases of measles, two among white families and one colored, were reported during the period in Williamston Township.

## WHERE THEY PLAY

FRIDAY, JULY 14  
Williamston at Colerain.  
Elizabeth City at Ahoksie.  
Edenton at Windsor.

TUESDAY, JULY 18  
Windsor at Williamston.  
Elizabeth City at Edenton.  
Ahoksie at Colerain.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 19  
Williamston at Windsor.  
Edenton at Elizabeth City.  
Colerain at Ahoksie.

## RESULTS

Wednesday Morning  
Edenton 9, Williamston 2.

Wednesday Afternoon  
Edenton 4, Williamston 3.  
Windsor 3, Ahoksie 1.  
Elizabeth City 8, Colerain 1.

Thursday  
Williamston 13, Colerain 0.  
Edenton 9, Windsor 1.  
Ahoksie 11, Elizabeth City 6.

## MARTIN COUNTY AND STATE BOTH LAGGING BEHIND

### Will Announce Final Outcome of the Reduction Movement Today

The campaign for a 10 to 11 million acreage decrease in the 1933 cotton crop in 16 cotton-growing states of the South was declared a success last Wednesday night by Secretary of Agriculture Henry A. Wallace, who said that in his opinion, when all returns have been received, "it will be shown that the South has made one of the greatest demonstrations of intelligent and unified action in the history of American agriculture."

While the belt was reporting a successful campaign, North Carolina had pledged hardly half of its 363,000-acre reduction quota. Martin County, in complete reports show, was lagging yesterday below the half-way mark with hardly 1,000 of its 2,446-acre reduction quota signed.

The campaign in Martin County has been very encouraging, considering the large number of small farmers signing as well as a few large-scale operators. The disappointing feature is credited to a comparatively few big farmers in several of the townships, Committeeman T. B. Slade stating that one or two in his district refused to sign because they just wanted to be different from everybody else. "It is hard for a farmer to plow up his cotton," Mr. Slade said, "but it is still harder for him to cultivate and harvest a large crop and then get less than he would have gotten for a small crop," he continued.

Many reports, issued by sources considered authoritative, have been received indicating that the farmers refusing to sign without mighty good reason would be "spotted." Just what the reports actually mean is not known at this time, but it is almost certain that credit facilities will be refused in many cases next year. Unofficial reports have it that the non-signer will not be allowed to benefit by his declared selfish stand.

Official figures for the entire cotton belt showing the acreage offered to date were not available, but it was unofficially that the aggregate offer of farmers might greatly exceed their original goal of 10 to 11 million acres.

However, the administrators are less interested in acreage than in the assurance that the acres to be plowed up will substantially reduce this year's potential crop.

Administrators were confident that the crop would be reduced 3,000,000 bales, with some prospect that the figure might be closer to 4,000,000 bales. It was said that the 2,400,000 bales of government-held cotton used as options for the plan might all be required to meet contracts signed by growers.

Growers were offered alternative plans, one under which they would be paid cash for plowing up from 25 to 50 per cent of their crop, with payments to be based upon estimated yields; the other a combination of smaller cash payments, with options or an amount of government cotton equal to the estimated production of the area they agreed to destroy. These options were offered on the basis of 6 cents a pound.

About 60 per cent of the growers have favored the combination plan, and if these exhausted the amount of government-held cotton, the production of the acres they agreed to plow up, together with the 40 per cent not covered by options, would bring the reduction of the potential crop to about 4,000,000 bales.

Wallace said "the latest reports from the cotton belt indicate that the campaign for the acreage reduction is moving rapidly, and apparently successfully, to a conclusion. "We will not know the final outcome until the result of these concluding days' efforts have been received and compiled. "It is my own belief, however, that when all the returns have been received, it will be shown that the South has made one of the greatest demonstrations of intelligent and unified action in the history of American agriculture."

## One Preaching Service at Baptist Church Sunday

At the Baptist church Sunday morning the pastor will preach following the sessions of the Sunday school, and at the evening hour this congregation is invited to join the several congregations at the Methodist church at 8 o'clock, at which time the union service will be held.