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PROCEEDINGS IN MARTIN COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT

About 25 Cases Are Cleared From Docket; Adjourns Until Monday

After clearing about 25 cases from the calendar and catching up with the docket for the week, Judge Clayton Moore yesterday afternoon adjourned the superior court here until next Monday morning. With few or no exceptions, the term, scheduled for the trial of civil cases only, has been attended by the smallest number of spectators in years. Yesterday the court officer found it difficult to procure sufficient jurors, and the proceedings were delayed for more than an hour, it was stated.

Although turning slowly, the wheels of justice have cleared a larger number of cases this week than any other court for some time in a similar period.

No actions of any great importance were scheduled for trial.

Proceedings not previously reported are as follows:

In the case of R. W. Salsbury against W. N. Sherrod, the court ruled the plaintiff could not sustain the action and the costs were taxed against him.

The plaintiff was entitled to recover nothing in the case of United Bank and Trust Company, guardian for W. J. Sherrod and George S. Sherrod, against C. D. Perkins, the court ruled.

Title in fee simple was given Plaintiff J. M. Ange in his case against E. H. and Elwood Ange.

W. Jackson Holliday was granted possession of certain property occupied by Alexander Hill, the defendant having until December 1 to vacate. An appeal was noted in the case.

Defendant J. P. Brooks appealed to the supreme court in the case brought against him by the Standard Fertilizer Company.

A settlement of a note and the payment of an insurance policy were directed by the court in the case of Mrs. Lizzie Oakley, guardian for John York Oakley, against Mrs. Kate B. York.

A voluntary non-suit was taken by the plaintiffs in the case of Slade, Rhodes and Company against H. J. Haislip.

The plaintiff got nothing and the defendant paid the cost in the case of J. B. Colt and Company against J. F. Martin and wife.

A sale of certain lands for division was ordered for the plaintiffs in the case of E. G. and L. G. Godard against Ransom Roberson.

A receiver was appointed to rent certain lands and turn proceeds over to the plaintiff in the case of Elizabeth Wynne against B. B. Wynne, the defendant apparently having failed to comply with a judgment of the court.

Judgment in the sum of \$50 and favoring the plaintiff was granted in the case of Ed James against Walter Smith.

M. D. Wilson was granted a judgment in the sum of \$144 against W. K. Parker.

The court found certain notes secured by deeds of trust had been paid in the case of Chloe Taylor against Wheeler Martin, trustee, and of Alton B. Corey against W. B. Rodman, jr., trustee.

A judgment in the sum of \$92.10, with interest was granted Lella Gaynor against Richard Gaynor.

Based on two years of separation, a divorce was granted Ellene Matthews against William McDowell Matthews. A voluntary non-suit was accepted in the case of Julian Fagan against David Davis.

A divorce was granted Augustus Wynn from Esther Wynn.

LOCAL MOVIES MAKE BIG HIT

Scenes Are Clear and Attract Much Interest at Watts Theatre

Breaking into the movies for the first time, more than half the people of the town and community and many familiar scenes of the town were the center of attraction on the screen at the Watts Theatre here last night. Cameraman Hunckleman almost working wonders in filming the raw material.

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

The several schools of the county will close following the completion of the next Wednesday schedule until the following Monday morning for the Thanksgiving holidays, according to information coming from the office of the county superintendent here this morning.

All the white schools will suspend all classes Wednesday afternoon, December 19, for the Christmas holidays. The second term will get under way January 2, 1935, it was announced.

MOVIE STUDIO TO VISIT HERE

M-G-M Traveling Outfit To Stop at Theatre and Puro Station

The Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer traveling motion picture studio will visit Williamston on its extensive good will exhibition tour of the world next Monday afternoon. The lavishly equipped studio on wheels, constructed at a cost of \$150,000, will be open for inspection in front of the Watts Theatre from 2:30 until 3:30 that afternoon. Mr. Watts, through whose influence the studio was scheduled to make a visit here, said yesterday.

Following the program at the Watts Theatre, the studio program will be concluded at the Colonial Oil Company's new station, where oil production films will be shown free of charge. The studio, which has traveled across the continent, has ably its more than \$60,000 worth of costly and intricate sound motion picture recording and projection equipment. It is a completely equipped Hollywood studio on wheels, capable of taking and recording sound pictures, as well as projecting them on the screen.

A director and a complete staff of camera, soundmen, electricians and movie makeup experts compose the personnel of the outfit. But it isn't likely that any motion pictures will be filmed here as the studio comes here on a limited schedule.

Its brief stop-over here is being regarded purely as one to permit film fans of this city to inspect the magnificent outfit, to learn how talking pictures are filmed and recorded and projected, and the motion picture technicians with the studio will be available to answer questions regarding their work while the studio is here, it is said.

During the period the studio is to open for inspection, the general public will be permitted to enter the plant. They will be escorted through by the operators, and the operation of the sound recording room in one section of the 65-foot outfit, and the sound projection room in the rear of the compartment of the studio will be explained in detail.

The studio is hauled by a giant trackless locomotive equipped with powerful motors, and this tremendous engine is in itself an outstanding sight. Special built camera, pilot and advance cars make up the remainder of the Hollywood caravan visiting here with the studio.

Thirty-Three Pupils on Farm Life Honor Roll

Farm Life School closed its second month recently with 33 pupils on the honor roll. They are as follows:

- First grade: Margaret Manning, Sarah Margaret Roberson, Grace Peele, Elza Marie Marie Manning, Dorothy Mae Corey, A. T. Whitley, Bobby Johnson.
- Second grade: Tilghman Lilley, Cairo Lilley, and Doris Peele.
- Third grade: Reba Fay Griffin, Hazel Hardison, Josephine Hardison, Dorothy Roberson, Georgia Dean Roberson, Mamie Margaret Roberson.
- Fourth grade: B. F. Lilley, Faresae Manning, Elizabeth Manning, and Martha Roberson.
- Fifth grade: Vera Pearl Williams and Lala Smithwick.
- Sixth grade: Ida Mae Corey.
- Seventh grade: Bettie Louise Lilley, Evan Griffin, and Vera Maude Lilley.
- Eighth grade: Sarah Getsinger.
- Ninth grade: Thelma Griffin.
- Tenth grade: Ruby Roberson.
- Eleventh grade: Sarah Roberson, Beulah Roberson, Thelma Clyde Coltraine, Daisy Roberson.

Farm Debt Commission In Meet Here Yesterday

A discussion of farm debt adjustment problems was held here in the office of R. H. Goodmon yesterday afternoon, with J. P. Greenleaf, field representative of the Farm Debt Adjustment Commission, explaining the activities of the county committee. Messrs. Goodmon, Wheeler Martin, and W. H. Coburn attended the meeting.

So far the committee in this county has received no requests to consider debt adjustments, and it is believed there will be very few, if any, for the committee to consider.

MRS. SIMON D. GRIFFIN DIED LAST TUESDAY

Was One of County's Oldest and Most Highly Regarded Women

Mrs. Simon D. Griffin, one of the county's oldest and most highly respected citizens, died at her home in Griffins Township last Tuesday afternoon following a stroke of paralysis suffered several months ago. Her advanced age of 82 years and six months made recovery almost impossible, and the end came peacefully and gradually.

A member of one of the old families in this county, Mrs. Griffin, formerly Miss Margaret A. Stallings, was married 57 years ago. Through this long period of married life she was a true and thoughtful citizen of her community, and was ever faithful as a wife, mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother. She cherished the friendship and love of every one, and as a member of the old school she appreciated the pure and simple things of life, and was ever willing to do unto others for their happiness and welfare. Adhering always to the principles of honesty and uprightiness, she figured prominently in rearing her children to become prominent in business life and in the affairs of the county.

Besides her husband, she leaves one daughter, Mrs. Alonzo Roberson; and six sons, Joseph S., John A., S. Claud, Ira, David, and George C. Griffin, all of this county, four other children having preceded her to the grave. She also leaves two sisters, Mrs. J. A. Lilley and Mrs. Sylvester Peel, and one brother, David B. Stallings, 35 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted from the late home Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock by Elders William R. Hines, of Wilson, and P. E. Getzinger, of the Primitive Baptist church, of which she had been a faithful member for more than 40 years. Burial was in the cemetery near the home, in Griffins Township. Six of her grandsons were active pall-bearers and her granddaughters served as bearers of flowers.

Baptists To Make Annual Canvass Here On Sunday

Sunday afternoon, the membership of the local Baptist church will be asked to indicate their promise of financial support to the church for the year 1935.

The church year, financially, begins January 1, and as has been the custom for many years, a group of men and women from the church will see the individual members Sunday afternoon, and find out what they plan to contribute in the new year to the church budget, which is set at \$3,750.

Accordingly, the membership is asked to remain at home Sunday afternoon after 2 o'clock, until they are seen.

The regular church services will be carried out Sunday morning and evening, as usual.

Campaign for Approval Of Cotton Control Law

Farmers in this county interested in fair prices for their cotton are said to have already started campaigning for the approval of the Bankhead-Cotton Act in the referendum to be held throughout the country shortly. Others interested in holding the price of cotton up are urged to take an active part in getting a large and favorable vote for the bill when the referendum is held.

Agricultural authorities have said that the price of cotton will, in all probability, drop to low levels if the farmers of the country fail to approve the Bankhead cotton measure when they vote early next month. The continuance of the bill rests upon a two-thirds majority approval vote.

Jimmy Brown Goes To Boston Red Sox in Trade

Jimmy Brown, Martin County boy, was promoted to a position in major league baseball yesterday when he was traded to the Boston Red Sox. Starting his career as an athlete on an out-door basketball court, Young Brown later entered baseball in the sandlots, playing in the Albemarle League and at State College. He was enrolled in the Cardinals' farm system and last year played more or less regularly at third base for the Rochester club in the International League.

Thanksgiving Program At Jamesville Tuesday

A Thanksgiving program will be given by the Jamesville school pupils Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock in the auditorium there. No admission charge will be made. The program provides an evening of pleasant entertainment, and the school hopes to have many visitors present.

MRS. BOYLE DIES LAST TUESDAY AT HAMILTON

Native of Philadelphia, But Had Lived in County for Many Years

Mrs. Margaret Boyle, a native of Philadelphia, but for many years a prominent resident of this county, died at her home in Hamilton last Tuesday evening, following a long period of declining health. Heart disease and complications were assigned as the immediate causes of her death.

Funeral services were conducted on Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock by Rev. E. F. Moseley, rector of St. Martin's Episcopal church. Burial was in the Hamilton cemetery.

Mrs. Boyle, before her marriage, was Miss Margaret Brittin. She was the daughter of J. Q. Brittin, of Philadelphia. She was born and reared there. Her first marriage was to Joseph H. Watkins, who died in Hamilton. Of this union, one son, Captain Ralph B. Watkins, now stationed at the Connecticut State University, survives. Her second marriage was to John P. Boyle, of Hamilton, in 1903. He died 13 years ago.

Mrs. Boyle was one of the outstanding women in her community. She was one of the most ardent workers of the Episcopal church. Since the death of her husband, she made her home with Miss M. B. Jones, of Hamilton. She would have been 70 years old had she lived until February 22, next year.

She died Tuesday night after several months of failing health from heart disease and complications.

In addition to her son, Captain Watkins, she is survived by her father, J. Q. Brittin, of Philadelphia, and one sister, Mrs. Fred Murrell, of Langhorn, Pa.

TRANSFER TAX WARRANTS AT AGENTS OFFICE

Illegally Transferred Cotton Certificates Will Be Cancelled

Legal transference of cotton tax-exemption certificates from one grower to another must be made through the county agent's office, warns Dean I. O. Schaub, of State College.

Illegally transferred certificates will be cancelled, he said, and the cotton they were intended to cover will be subject to the Bankhead tax of five and two-thirds cents a pound.

To protect growers from fraud, speculators, or unfair practices in the trading of certificates, provision was made that all exchanges must be made through the county agent and at the rate of four cents a pound.

Schaub pointed out that it is also illegal to sell a certificate to a person who is not a cotton grower. However, it is permissible for growers to go to the county agent and buy certificates for a grower when the grower gives him written authorization to do so.

When an illegal transfer is discovered, Schaub said, notice will be sent the collector of internal revenue and other persons involved in the transfer, including the county agent.

Schaub also said that every dollar spent for extra tax-exemption certificates goes to help growers who failed to produce the full amount of their allotments.

White Man Cut in Affray At Dardens Last Tuesday

"Dick" Perry, white man, was badly cut on the arm, face, and wrist last Tuesday, when he was attacked by two colored men at a peanut picker on the Getsinger farm in Dardens. A deep wound was inflicted in the arm muscle, it was said. As far as it could be learned here today, no arrests had been made in the case.

Episcopal Services for Sunday Are Announced

Rev. E. F. Moseley, rector, Sunday before Advent: Holy Communion, 8 a. m. Church school, 9:45 a. m. St. Martin's Hamilton Church school, 10 a. m. Holy Communion and sermon, 11 a. m. Evening prayer and sermon, 7:30 p. m. Mr. E. P. Cunningham was in Robersonville this morning. V. J. Spivey made a business trip to Elizabeth City today.

Believe 200 County Farmers Have Broken Leaf Contracts

FREE MOVIES AT LOCAL THEATRE TUESDAY NIGHT

"Rhapsody in Steel" and Century of Progress To Be Exhibited

Announcement that two new and unusual talking motion pictures, "Rhapsody in Steel," and "Ford and a Century of Progress," would be displayed at the Watts Theatre here Tuesday night was made today by Messrs. Green and Woolard, local Ford dealers.

The pictures, prepared by the Ford Motor Company, are being shown for the first time in this territory. They bring for the inspection of local residents two of the major interests of the year—the World's Fair in Chicago and the great River Rouge plant of the Ford Motor Company.

"Rhapsody in Steel," filmed in the River Rouge Ford plant and accompanied by a specially-composed musical score played by a full symphony orchestra, is a highly imaginative motion picture which has been hailed by critics as one of the newest forms of expression of an industrial subject. In the picture the assembly of the Ford V-8 automobile, as seen in the dream of a workman after his day's task is done, is portrayed in a novel manner.

"Ford and a Century of Progress," brings to local residents a complete newsreel view of the 1934 World's Fair. Filmed on the grounds of a Century of Progress in Chicago, with actual sound sequences showing the crowds, the noises of the midway, the picturesque villages, the special exhibits, and, finally, the mammoth Ford Exposition Building, the picture presents a historical record of the World's Fair for 1934.

The tour through the Ford Exposition Building shows all the exhibits that drew hundreds of thousands of visitors to the 1934 World's Fair. The sequences presenting a panorama of the entire fair carry with them the actual sound recordings and atmosphere of the exposition. Special music accompanies the film, which were made by Pathe News. "Rhapsody in Steel" is described as an industrial extravaganza. Central theme of the picture is the assembly of a Ford V-8 car, and around this theme is woven an imaginative story of a tiny imp which materializes from the V-8 insignia to assemble the car without human assistance. Both films are being presented free of charge.

LEGION GOSSIP

By CHARLES H. DICKEY The local post of the American Legion, under the leadership of Commander H. L. Swain, has shown more life this year than at any time in recent years.

Among recent activities, members assembled for church service on Baptist evening at the Memorial Baptist church; went the next day to the district celebration at Rich Square; and returned home for the regular meeting in their own hall that evening.

According to Adjutant Ray Goodman, the paid-up membership as of today totals 116, which almost doubles the total membership of the post at this time last year.

It is believed by the officers of the post that this is the best proportionate record that has been stacked up in the entire state this year.

Charlie Frank has the distinction of having secured more members than any other Legionnaire. At last reports, he had single-handedly turned in 31 members. Having already been given the silver star, Mr. Frank, who is making a record, seems destined to bring to himself the gold star in the contest.

The next regular meeting of the John W. Hassell post will be held in the post's regular meeting place on the second Monday evening in December at 7:30 o'clock. The officers are particularly anxious that a good attendance be had, and that this attendance come from all sections of the county.

Farm Life Girls' Club Holds Election Officers

The Farm Life Club girls held their monthly meeting in the auditorium on Friday, November 9. Officers were elected as follows: President, Ruby Griffin; vice president, Bettie L. Lilley; secretary, Thelma G. Peele. The girls planned their next month's work.—Reported.

PEANUT MARKET

The peanut market, depressed by the heaviest deliveries made during the past few weeks in recent years, was reported here today to be regaining its equilibrium, but no advance in price was in sight. Farmers failing to receive offers of 3 cents or more are said to be storing the remainder of the crop in considerably larger quantities than was expected a few days ago. However, the activities on the local market continue at a fast clip. Prices are said to be ranging from 3 cents downward.

BOND GIVEN BY TRUCK DRIVER

John Williams Released; Trial Is Scheduled for December Term

John Williams, young white man arrested last week on a manslaughter charge growing out of the killing of little Peggie Hardison Thursday noon on the Jamesville road, was released under a \$500 bond here Wednesday. The bond carries the signature of L. P. Lindsley.

Joe Laughton, a second defendant in the manslaughter action, was released last Monday under a \$1,000 bond.

Williams was driving the light truck when it crashed into Mrs. Opheus Godard and the little child, but he claims Laughton was responsible. Williams maintains Laughton, who was said to have been under the influence of liquor at the time, was pushing his foot on the accelerator, causing the car to speed.

No hearing has been held, and the case will be called at the December term of superior court.

Green Wavelets Get Win Over Lewiston Tuesday

After bowing to Lewiston's man-size football squad in a game played in the Bertie town on November 6, Coach James Peters' Green Wavelets got sweet revenge here last Tuesday when they turned the visitors back, six to nothing. Little Clayton Moore grabbed a high pass from Walter Cook in the third quarter for the only score of the game.

While the boys from Lewiston, playing their first season, outplayed the locals, they were unable to furnish the necessary scoring punch, and the little Wavelets warded them off several times on the 5-yard line. The visitors made large gains through and around the line, but failed to register when scoring chances were within reach.

30c Per Hour Minimum Wage Scale Abandoned

The relief administration recently abandoned its 30-cent an hour minimum wage for relief.

Hereafter, it was said, the factor in governing work relief wages will be the rate prevailing in the communities where the work is done. An order rescinding all rules and regulations governing work relief wages has been sent to state administrators by Harry L. Hopkins, the federal administrator.

Responsibilities for determining the wages in the future, it was said, has been placed with local committees, representing labor, business, and the local relief administration.

Red Cross Drive Under Way Throughout County

The Red Cross membership campaign is progressing rapidly in this county. Chairman Harry Biggs said yesterday. Very few reports, complete to date, have been received, but the information indicated the drive was meeting with success. Mr. Biggs said. Seven memberships had been reported by Farm Life up to yesterday, it was said.

Orthopedic Clinic At Tarboro Next Monday

Another orthopedic clinic sponsored by the Tarboro Rotary Club, will be held in Tarboro next Monday in the Presbyterian Sunday school rooms, it was announced yesterday by Dr. J. G. Raby. Several Martin County subjects have been treated in recent clinic there and others are invited to avail themselves of the services offered, it was stated.

ILLEGAL SALE OF SCRAP TOBACCO GIVEN AS CAUSE

Situation in County Has Reached Serious Proportions

The extent to which tobacco farmers in this county are violating their contracts is fast reaching serious proportions, reliable reports received in the office of the county agent this week clearly indicated. More than 200 farmers, intentionally or unintentionally, are believed to have violated their contracts by illegally selling scrap tobacco, assistant county agent Murphy L. Barnes said yesterday.

The seriousness surrounding the alleged violations is found in the possibility of the farmer losing his contract and the probability of facing prosecution. Farmers have been warned against the sale of scrap where the production is covered by contract and where the sales are not legally entered on the marketing cards, but late reports maintain that many are ignoring all warnings and are taking a long chance to sell the scrap. Close examination of the contract will reveal that tobacco produced under contract must be entered on the marketing card when sold, the only other alternative being to destroy the tobacco. Regardless of whether the scrap buyer has a license or a hundred licenses, he cannot buy scrap tobacco illegally from a contracting grower without the sale being entered on a marketing card by a field agent of the government.

County and state agricultural authorities are now working on the problem, and every contracting grower selling scrap illegally is subject to lose his contract and be required to pay the tax of 25 percent on his entire crop. The farmer cannot even give the scrap away, and if a child of the contracting grower sells the scrap the contract owner will be held responsible.

The names of every seller of scrap tobacco will be placed in the hands of the agricultural authorities, and special checking will be done to locate the violators. There is no doubt but that the authorities will carry out the terms of the contracts.

Thirty or more farmers, listening to the apparent misrepresentations of the scrap buyers, are now trying to correct their mistakes in this county. They are finding it necessary to buy marketing cards at the rate of 5 cents a pound to make legal the sale of scrap for which they received around 1 1/2 cents a pound. The authorities are anxious to aid any farmer who unintentionally sold his scrap tobacco and violated the terms of his contract, but they will be required to report to the office of their own volition. It might be a different story if the farmer waits until the records from the revenue authorities are received and he is summoned before the county agricultural representatives to explain the sales of scrap.

Hobgood Man Hurt in Auto Wreck Sunday

Hilton Bailey, Hobgood man, suffered fractures of both legs and one arm Sunday night, when he turned his car over between Tarboro and Rocky Mount. The young man is being treated in a Tarboro hospital.

Said to have been driving at a high rate of speed, Bailey was unable to turn a curve near Tarboro, and his car went off the road and turned over several times, barely escaping with his life. The car was wrecked.

It is understood that the man turned his car over near the spot where his brother was killed in a similar accident last year.

Game Scarce, But Many Get Bag Limit of Quail

While huntsmen are agreed there is a scarcity of all kinds of game in this section this season, many followers of the sport reported bag limits for quail following the opening of the season last Tuesday.

Hunters have been entering the fields in fairly large numbers, but the weather has been too warm for many others. The fall hunting season is expected to reach a busy climax, weather permitting, next week.

Rev. Thomas W. Fisher To Preach at Cedar Branch

Rev. Thomas W. Fisher, a former citizen of this county, will preach in the Cedar Branch Baptist church Sunday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. The public is cordially invited to hear him. Rev. Mr. Fisher is now pastor of a Quaker church in Malvern, Pa.