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Crippled Martins in Third Place, 3 1-2 Games Behind Bugs

Parade of Pitchers Features Game with Ayden There Wednesday Afternoon

Dropping two of the three games played so far this week, the Martins went into third place yesterday in the Coastal Plain League standings, the leaders, Goldsboro, being only 3 1-2 games removed, and Snow Hill, in second place, holding a half game advantage over the locals. Art Hauger's boys are holding to third place with a 3 1-2 games lead over Tarboro, fourth position holder.

Ayden came here last Tuesday and found a weakened team. Earp, shortstop, was out of the line-up on account of illness, and McCay was pulled in from the outfield to take his place. The outfielder handled some hot chances in the temporary hot spot, but the ole jinx and three homers, one each by Baker, Johnson and Fary gave Ayden a 9-5 victory. Rollins was on the mound for the locals and the visitors touched him for 13 hits. The Martins, led by Stanley with 3 hits, equalled the stick work for the visitors, but none was for the circuit. The Martins recorded 3 hits in the first inning but failed to convert them into a single score. In the second, Lakatos doubled and scored on Rollins' hit. Williamston's big rally came in the fourth, when 4 hits counted for as many runs. Lanier, relieving Harward in that frame, held the Martins to 3 hits during the remainder of the contest.

Over in Ayden Wednesday, the Martins hit three opposing chunkeys at will to record 16 safeties, three of them homers, one by Villepique with two on and the other two by Wade and Lakatos in succession. Lakatos batted in four runs, Wade 3, and Villepique 3. The Martins went to work early in the game, scoring twice in the first inning, 3 times in the third and 4 in the fourth, and then adding 3 in the sixth to win 12 to 10. Stroud Fields, recently added to the Martin's pitching staff, pitched a good game until he was hit by a batted ball in the sixth. A parade of pitchers was started, Rollins, Biggie and Strunk following one another. Ayden used three hurlers, but it was a day for batting and the attack continued on both sides. Stanley, Villepique and Lakatos combined 3 hits each to lead the 16-hit attack for the Martins. Deim and Wade got two each.

The Wednesday game proved costly in that Deim was injured on his wrist by a pitched ball. He finished the game, but was on the bench yesterday nursing the hurt. McCay played errorless ball at third base, but the shake-up in the team probably figured in the 6-3 win for New Bern. Earp, getting back into the line-up, led with two hits for the Martins. Strunk held the visitor to nine hits and struck out seven. Next Monday the Martins will meet Kinston here to play off the game rained out last Saturday.

Special Officer Sues Assailant

Special Enforcement Officer J. H. Roebuck filed suit in the Martin County Superior Court this week for \$2,000 damages alleged to have resulted when Eddie Burnett, Goose Nest colored man, resisted arrest. The plaintiff asks \$1,000 actual and \$1,000 punitive damages.

The officer started to arrest Burnett in a woods near the Burnett home on May 29 and was attacked by the defendant. Mr. Roebuck received injuries to his hands and his life was threatened. Joe Gainer, colored, charged with interfering with the officer while he was arresting Burnett, has not been apprehended.

Burnett pleaded guilty to violating the liquor laws and resisting arrest, Judge H. O. Peel fining him \$500 in the county court last Monday.

Stokes Youth Is Gored by Goat

Charles Albert Forbes, young son Mr. and Mrs. Coy Forbes, of Stokes, was painfully injured last Friday while he was training a goat. In some way young Forbes became entangled in the rope attached to the goat and as he fell the animal gored him in the shoulder. He also suffered bruises on his side caused by the fall. He was rushed to a hospital in Greenville, and late reports from there say that he is resting very well.

Compliance Work Likely To Be Held Up Several Weeks

A delay of at least two weeks, and possibly three, was indicated in reports coming from the office of the county agent today in connection with starting compliance work under the soil conservation program. Forms for handling the surveys have not been received, the office stating that other arrangements would be effected the early part of next week, when a county committee is named and supervisors are appointed.

Approximately 50 persons have filed applications to handle the compliance work. It is thought that the committee will appoint about 25 of the number.

Local Club Officials Will Carry Protest To League Directors

Will Ask That Tie Game With Tarboro, June 6, Be Forfeited

Instructed this week by J. B. Eure, Coastal Plain League president, to make arrangements to replay the June 6 tie game with Tarboro, local baseball club officials today are addressing an appeal to the league directors for a ruling. R. H. Goodman, president of the local ball club, asked League President Eure to call a meeting of the directors at their earliest convenience and consider a request to have the game forfeited to Williamston or have play resumed where it was left off in the last half of the 12th. When the game was stopped by the Sheriff on account of an alleged Sunday curfew law in Tarboro, Williamston was leading 7-5 in the last half of the 12th, with one Tarboro man out and two strikes and one ball on the second batter.

President Eure explained that he did not have the authority to forfeit the game, that it should have been done by the umpire, Cottrell, when the Tarboro team began stalling for time.

A tie game played under almost identical conditions in Goldsboro last Sunday was forfeited to Ayden by the umpire, President Eure explaining that the stalling by Goldsboro came after he had made definite rulings against such practices. President Eure lives in Ayden.

"It isn't the game so much that we are interested in, but it is the principle of the thing that we object to," a local club official said today.

Oak City Deletats Local Team 11-8 Wednesday

Williamston's Graball baseball team journeyed up to Oak City last Wednesday and took a 11-8 licking at the hands of the Goose Nest nine. Matthews and Davenport pitched for Oak City and Johnson caught. Lassiter and Summerlin and Smith formed the battery for the Williamston nine.

A week ago last Wednesday, Oak City lost to the Graball nine here, 11 to 3.

Rotenone Dust Aids In Control Cabbage Worms

Rotenone dust will, in all probability, give the best control for the cabbage worm. The dust should contain about 75 percent of the rotenone and the first application should be made just as soon as you see the first small white butterfly in the cabbage field. Dust as often as worms are found and be sure and get the dust down into the center of the plants. This dust will also control bean beetles and should be applied when the first cluster of eggs are found on the under side of the bean leaves. For bean beetles the dust should be applied under the leaves and not on top.

Apply Nitrogen To Corn When About Knee High

Applications of nitrogen should be made to corn when it is about knee high and to cotton immediately after chopping. Much of the fertilizer value is lost when late applications are made. Apply the nitrogen as early as possible so as to get all the fertilizer value. Late applications may delay the maturity of cotton and make the crop more susceptible to boll weevil damage. With corn, late applications will increase the plant growth, but will not increase the yield of grain.

Misses Edna Barnhill, Jane Parker and Ruth Norton and Mr. Ray H. Goodman are in Richmond today attending a meeting of the Virginia Electric and Power Company employees.

Try 18 Cases Monday At Lengthy Session Of Recorder's Court

The county recorder's court was in lengthy session Monday, clearing the docket of 18 cases that had accumulated while the tribunal remained idle during the week the superior court held forth.

A \$500 fine imposed on Eddie Burnett, colored man convicted of violating the liquor laws and resisting an officer, set a new record. The judgment was conditional in that the fine must be paid by next Monday. Another feature of the court session was the recommendation that an automobile driver's license be permanently revoked on account of physical disability and habitual drunkenness. The defendant, Labon Lilley, pleaded not guilty in the case, but the evidence was against him, the court remitting a \$50 fine and the costs of the case.

The case charging John Leggett with drunken driving was not prosed. Eugene Williams pleaded guilty of drunken driving, the court continuing the case under prayer for judgment until the first Monday in October. Bond in the sum of \$200 was required.

A nol pros was taken in the case charging James Williams with violating the motor vehicle laws. Charged with violating the liquor laws, Hallie Andrews was found not guilty. The case charging Alton Grimes and Arthur Brown with violating the motor vehicle laws were not prosed. Archie Mobley, pleading guilty in the case charging him with non-support, was directed to pay to his wife the sum of \$10 each month for the next six months and report to the court at the end of that time for further orders. Bond was required in the sum of \$100.

Charged with drunken driving and operating a car without a driver's license, Jesse Williams was found guilty of operating a car while his license was revoked. The court suspended judgment upon condition that the defendant appear before the court each first Monday during the next two years and show good behavior and that he is engaged in lawful occupation. His failure to meet the requirements will mean he will be placed on the roads for 90 days.

In a second case, Williams was charged with an assault with a deadly weapon. He pleaded guilty of simple assault, which plea was accepted by the prosecuting attorney, R. L. Coburn. The court fined him \$10 and taxed him with the costs.

The case charging Lester Bland with operating a car without a driver's license was not prosed. Judgment was suspended upon the guaranteed of good behavior for two years in the case charging Pearl Sheppard with violating the liquor laws.

Charged with an assault upon a female, J. G. Stone was sentenced to the roads for 60 days, the court suspending sentence upon the payment of a \$50 fine and costs of the case. Matthew Hart, the colored man who cut Joseph Wilson at the plant of the Kieckhefer Container Company several weeks ago, was found not guilty in the case charging him with an assault with a deadly weapon.

Griffins Township Citizens Designate Road for Surfacing

Commissioners Likely To Recommend Farm Life-Old Mill Inn Route

Holding an impromptu meeting in the Farm Life School recently about 75 citizens of Griffins Township expressed the opinion that the road from J. Rome Corey's to the Old Mill Inn on the Washington road by way of Mrs. Griffin's and Lilley's store should be the first route improved in that district. The road was designated by the farmers following a meeting held for the election of a district soil conservation committee.

It was pointed out that while the route is a mile or two longer than a direct outlet to Highway 64 at Holly Springs, it would possibly serve more people than the other outlet. The entire district was not represented at the meeting, but it is believed a majority of the people in Griffins will favor the route designated.

Unless some opposition is presented to the Corey-Old Mill Inn route, the county commissioners, at their next meeting, plan to recommend its improvement to the highway authorities, it is understood.

The road designated for improvement by the meeting is about 9 miles long and runs from Mr. Rome Corey's home by way of a point near Smithwick's Creek church, on to John A. Griffin's Filling Station and on by Lilley's store to Highway 17.

Nitrate of Soda Increases Yield of Oats 30 Percent

Top dressing oats with 100 pounds per acre of nitrate of soda gave a 20 percent increased yield and top dressing with 200 pounds of the soda gave a 30 percent increased yield in demonstrations recently completed in Beaufort County.

Employees Subject To New Work Hours Law in Effect July 1

Representative Department Of Labor On Inspection Trip Here Recently

Employees in this county will be subject to new requirements in regard to hours of work beginning on July 1, when the law enacted by the past General Assembly setting up such an hour schedule goes into effect. Enforcement of the maximum hours for men and women over 18 years of age will be through inspectors of the State Department of Labor and the superintendent of public welfare in each county and local police departments will enforce the requirements of child labor.

The law regulating hours of work is applicable only to those concerns employing eight or more persons. In regard to female labor it states that no woman over 18 years of age may be employed more than 9 hours in any one day or more than 48 hours a week. It further states that no woman employee may work more than six consecutive days in any seven-day period.

Regarding the employment of men, the law sets the maximum hours at 55 a week and 10 hours per day, with the employee not allowed to work more than 12 days in any period of 14 consecutive days. There are a number of exceptions made in the law regarding employment of both men and women.

Women cashiers and office assistants in a bona fide office capacity whose full time is put in as a cashier or office assistant are exempt from the regulations.

Men employed in a supervisory or executive capacity are exempt and a watchman may be employed seven days per week, but the maximum hours for the week may still not exceed 55.

Truck drivers engaged in interstate commerce are subject to regulation by the Interstate Commerce Commission, but those who operate only in intra-state commerce are subject to the regulations of the North Carolina law.

There are numerous exceptions as regards mercantiles, installation of equipment, etc. Exceptions also may be made upon approval of an application to the commissioner concerning a specific case.

Mercantile stores are allowed to increase hours to 10 a day and 55 a week for women from December 18 to 24 in order to meet the Christmas rush. Men working as clerks in mercantile establishments are exempt from the regulations.

It also is required that an extract of the law be posted in every place of employment and the extracts are obtainable on request only from the Department of Labor at Raleigh.

In regard to child labor the law states that all minors under 18 employed in any gainful occupation, except agriculture and domestic work, must have an employment certificate. These certificates may be secured through the local welfare department.

Important requirements of the new child labor law follow: Minors 16 and 17 years of age are allowed to work 9 hours per day, 6 days per week, but not for more than 48 hours a week. The hours of work must be between 6 a. m. and 12 p. m. for boys, and between 6 a. m. and 9 p. m. for girls.

Minors, both boys and girls, under 16 years of age, are not allowed to work in any manufacturing or mechanical job. Minors, both boys and girls, 14 to 15 years of age, are allowed to work in non-manufacturing jobs during summer vacation and during hours when school is not in session. During summer vacation they may work 8 hours per day, 6 days per week, but not more than 40 hours per week and the work must be between 7 a. m. and 6 p. m. When work is to be outside school hours the combined hours of work and the hours of school must not exceed 8 hours in any one day.

No boy under 14 is allowed to engage in any kind of gainful occupation, except boys 12 and 13 may deliver newspapers and magazines, but work must not exceed 10 hours in any one week.

Boys 14 and 15 years of age on newspaper delivery routes are allowed to work between 5 a. m. and 8 p. m. only.

No girl under 14 is allowed to engage in any gainful occupation.

Services at Riddicks Grove Church Sunday Afternoon

The pastor, Rev. W. B. Harrington, will preach in the Riddicks Grove Baptist church Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock. The public is invited.

Hearing in Assault Case Is Held Today

S. Collins Peel Dies Tuesday in Hospital After Long Illness

S. Collins Peel, well-known and highly respected local man, died in a Washington hospital last Tuesday evening shortly after 8 o'clock, the end following an illness of 11 weeks. Mr. Peel was taken ill with pneumonia on April 7 and several weeks later was believed recovering. He suffered a relapse and his condition gradually became worse. Since last Saturday, two weeks ago, he had been a patient in the hospital. Hope for his recovery was abandoned last week-end, when he lapsed into unconsciousness and after medical science had done all it could possibly do for him.

Forty-five years old last July, Mr. Peel was born in Griffins Township, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Sylvester Peel, prominent county citizens and members of two of the oldest families in this section. He spent his early life on the home farm, moving to Williamston to enter the mercantile business as a young man. He later entered the automobile business and continued in that work except for the greater part of a year spent in the army during the World War.

In 1925 he was married to Miss Beulah Tetterton and she survives, with four children, S. Collins Peel, Jr., Hilfon Peel, and Harriett and Ann Davis Peel. Besides his parents he also leaves four brothers, Messrs. M. Luther Peel, of Williamston; S. Oscar Peel and Noah A. Peel of Griffins Township; and W. Raymond Peel, of Clayton; and two sisters, Mrs. T. C. Griffin, of Griffins; and Mrs. Gordon G. Bailey, of Everett.

Mr. Peel enjoyed a large friendship throughout this section, and large crowds from his old home community as well as locally and from other near-by towns were present for the last rites and to pay respect to his memory. In the home he was a model husband and father, and possibly found his greatest happiness in doing things for his family and others. He was a member of the Baptist church for years and was unpretentious in his walk thru life. He will be missed in the business life of this community, as well as in his home.

Funeral services were conducted from the late home on Watts Street here yesterday morning at 10:30 o'clock by Rev. J. H. Smith, of the Baptist church, and Rev. R. R. Grant pastor of the local Methodist church, assisted by Rev. W. B. Harrington, Baptist minister of this county, Rev. Z. T. Piephoff, Presbyterian minister, and Rev. John L. Goff, pastor of the local Christian church. Interment was in the family plot in the local cemetery.

Mr. Robertson said he could not identify his assailant as his sight was impaired by the freely flowing blood, but he did say that the hands placed around him felt like those of his son, and mentioned an old story in the Bible to support that claim of identity. He alleged the plot to take his life was advanced by his wife, that the boy was merely a tool in her hands. According to Mr. Robertson's story, his head was cut in three places and about 9 stitches were required to close the wounds. "My head hasn't hurt me a bit, but I am mighty sore around my shoulders where I was beat black and blue," the victim of the plot said while attending the hearing.

The man's son was identified as the assailant by Cassandra Sutton, young colored woman who was on her way home and who saw part of the attack as it took place along the street. When she first saw them, Mr. Robertson was lying in the bottom of the cart, and the boy was driving. When the man tried to get out, the boy hit him three times with a tobacco stick or cart spoke, she could not tell which. A bloody cart spoke was found near the scene where the witness said the attack took place. When Mr. Robertson yelled "murder," the witness became frightened and took refuge in a tobacco patch, she said. Unable to stop his father, the boy continued around the block and drove the mule and cart home.

Officer Dennis Robertson, of the Robertsonville police force, said when he answered a call to the Robertson home he found Mrs. Robertson with a lantern, a pitcher of water and broom washing blood from the cart body. "She told me that the mule ran away with her husband," he related. George Ben Robertson was in the house taking a bath, he said, and a bloody shirt, later identified as that of the boy's, was found on the back porch.

Kiwanians Claim Win Over Lions

The local Kiwanis and Lions clubs fought it out in a softball contest here Wednesday afternoon, the Kiwanis winning by a score variously estimated at from 39 to 15 all the way down to 36 to 21, depending altogether on whether the one asked was a Kiwanian or a Lion. It was pretty universally agreed, however, that the Kiwanians won. The proceeds, \$8.75 in cash and 50 cents in "due bills" was divided between the charity committees of the two organizations.

The two teams were about evenly matched as far as the batting went, but the Lions were outclassed in the field. "Doc" Davis, at second base for the Kiwanis, had a perfect day in the field—he hasn't stopped one yet—but there were plenty of others just as good. Several of the Kiwanians got what went for home runs with the bases filled, partially accounting for the big score. Jim Smith distinguished himself as a batter and baserunner and Zack Piephoff, the other preacher member of the Kiwanis, was also a leading performer.

The Kiwanians pulled a fast one on their opponents by not practicing before the game. The Lions went out for several days beforehand and were so sore that about half of them could hardly move around. Most of the Kiwanians were able to be up and about the day after the game but none of them was bragging about it.

Mother and Son, Not Able To Raise \$7,500 Bond, Held in Jail

Justice Chas. M. Hurst Calls Only Three Witnesses For Testimony

George Ben Roberson, 18 years old, charged with assaulting his father, Jesse Ben Roberson, 57 years old, with intent to kill, was ordered held under \$5,000 bonds, and Mrs. Jesse Ben Roberson, charged with aiding and abetting the crime, was ordered held under \$2,500 bond by Justice Charles M. Hurst at a preliminary hearing held in the county courthouse this morning. Unable to raise the bonds, the mother, who is about 55 years old, and her son were returned to the county jail to await trial in the Martin Superior Court next September. Reports heard, following the hearing, indicated that the bonds, if raised at all, would be raised with difficulty.

Only three witnesses were used by the state in establishing probable cause of guilt, the evidence offered by two of them building what appears to be a strong case against the son as the actual assailant and his mother as the one aiding and abetting the brutal assault that nearly cost Mr. Roberson his life.

When asked if she wanted to waive preliminary examination, Mrs. Roberson said she knew nothing about the case and had nothing to say. The boy, a student in the eighth grade at the last term of the Robertsonville school, waived questioning by a nod.

The attack victim was the first to take the stand. "I was in the house reading the paper when my wife told me that our son, George Ben, said that someone wanted to see me in a mule and cart in the back yard, Mr. Robertson told Justice Hurst at the hearing. "I asked her twice was she sure some one wanted to see me, and when she insisted that I go see, I went to the back yard and to the cart. Someone was there, standing with his back to me. When I reached the cart he struck and knocked me unconscious." Continuing his story, Mr. Roberson said, "I came to when we were passing my tobacco barn, and as I started to crawl out I was struck several more times. I finally got out of the cart, and I was again attacked and placed in my own cart. When we reached a corner near the home of my brother the cart wheel got tangled up with a guy wire, I fell out and ran to my brother's."

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No other evidence was considered necessary, and R. L. Coburn, representing the prosecution, recommended bond in the sum of \$5,000 for the boy and \$2,500 for the mother.