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Last 4; 5-0 Shut-Out Of Billies Is Feature

Earp Subdues Mooney with Homer on First Pitch In Tarboro Game

Winning three of the four gam played during the week_end period, Art Hauger's Martins are today continuing to hold a commanding position in the Coastal Plain standings, the locals leading the third-place Bugs by 5 games and trailing Peahead Walker's Billies by only two games. Featured developments in the recent playing period were a clean sweep for the Martins over Greenville in the two_game series, and a shut-out over Snow Hill, league leaders. Playing features wer a home run by Earp on the first pitched ball at Tarboro Sunday and Rollins' addition to his strike-out record. Earp took all the life out of Mooney, Tarboro pitcher, when he opened with a homer Sunday, and Big Jim fanned 13 in the Snow Hill game, advancing his number of strikeouts to 159 for the season.

Behind the 8-hit pitching of Strunk and with the heavy stickwork of La_ katos, the Martins turned Greenville back over in the Pitt Capital last Friday afternoon, 7 to 5. Lakatos hit Delaney on each of his three official trips to bat and scored three runs. Victoria hit 2 for 3 to bat in 3 runs, Strunk and Earp each batting in 2. The Martins garnered 10 hits off Delaney.

Malone, Tarboro pitcher, proved too much for the Martins here Saturday afternoon, and the visitors returned home with a 6_0 victory. Earp touched Malone for 2 hits and Villepique, Stanley and Stevens got 1 each to run the total to 5. Wade, starting for the Martins, allowed the visitors only 4 hits in the 5 1-3 innings he worked, yielding one run, before turning the work over to Fields, who gave up the same number of hits but who walked 7 to aid the visitors in adding 5 tallies.

On Sunday, the Martins played air-tight ball behind Jefferson's 6-hit for it. pitching to win 4-1 and tie the series with Tarboro at Tarboro. Earp, con. verting the first pitch into a hom run and garnering a single in the seventh, led at bat, hitting 2 for 3. The 7 other hits were almost evenly divided. Timely hitting by Lakatos and McCay netted three of the four runs.

While Jim Rollins was holding the Snow Hill Billies to3 hits and fanning 13 of them here yesterday, the Martins took charge at the bat, anat bat with 3 for 3, but McCay's timely hitting netted 2 runs, Earp, Stanley and Rollins batting in 1 and McCay and McCay and Rollins batting in 1 and McCay and Stanley also had 3 hits apiece, Stevens 2 and every other member of the team one. Longest, 11 hits before he was relieved by grade. Wright in the first of the sixth, the Martins making them count for five runs. Wright held the locals scoreless during the remainder of the game, but he was touched for five

Victoria, after two were out in the second, started a rally that netted 5 consecutive hits and three runs, and dressed the faces of Peahead Walker and every one of his players with a woe-begone look. Victoria's single was followed by another off the bat of Rollins. Earp doubled, Mc-Cay Singled and Vilepique doubled before Stanley flied out to end the attack for the inning.

Win Race with Death To

Traveling in a Biggs ambulance Mrs. Jas. Beachman who lives on the old county home farm near here, had a run with death and won by minutes in reaching a Washington hospital for an emergency operation last Friday. The driver delivered the patient who was accompanied by her doctor to the hospital—a dis-tance of about 23 miles—in sixteen minutes. A brief delay would

Mrs. Beacham who underwent caesarean operation, was reported to be getting along as well as could be expected, the doctors stating sh had a chance of recovery. Three blood transfusions have been given her since she was carried to the hos pital.

County and Local Officers Arrest Two Last Week-end

Local and county police came near having an uninterrupted holi-day over the past week_end. Only two arrests were made during the period, each of the defendants being booked on drunk and disorderly

Martins Win 3 Out of Welfare Board To Consider Applications Recently Made Of Farms in County Resign; Total of 3

Thursday afternoon of this week at sider the second group of applications for aid under the social se- will be notified of its arrival. curity program, Miss Mary Taylor, welfare head, said today. Fifty old-

the month in the county courthouse that number having been accepted by the State and Federal welfare authorities. Checks for the 31 suc 3 o'clock, members of the Martin cessful applicants are expected with County Board of Welfare will con- in the next few days, Miss Taylor stating that each person due a checi

The task of receiving new appli cations for assistance to the aged age assistance, 28 dependent chil. the blind, and the dependent chil. dren applications and 6 from blind dren continues to remain at a stand persons will be considered by the still, the office head stating that no coard at the meeting, it was learned. additional applications will be re-The board approved 50 applica-ceived until after August 15.

County Liquor Stores Have

\$29,925.20 Business In

Second Quarter

Handling a business volume of

29.925.29, the four legal liquor

tores in this county last quarter re-

ported an increase in sales of nearly

\$9,000 over those for the months of

April. May and June of last year

Total net profits were placed at \$5,

is to be distributed among the four

gross business of \$15,455.65. James

ville forged ahead of Robersonville

ing of stores in Washington County

is almost certain to effect a big de

ported in the second quarter of las

tin County ABC Board, turned over

amount 20 per cent will be turned

over to the towns, approximately a

follows: Williamston \$579.09; Rob

ersonville, \$202.37; Oak City, \$85.65;

and Jamesville, \$254.06, leaving \$4,-

Among the speakers announce

rector of the State College extension

Harry L. Brown, assistant Secre

tary of Agriculture, and Governo

Clyde R. Hoey, Thursday evening

J. B. Hutson, assistant director of

ministration, and Louis H. Bean, ec-

W. W. Fitzpatrick, manager of the

lock hav specialist of the U.S. De-

McRae, who has built up an out-

Perkins Coville, of the U. S. For-

L. P. Burney, rural minister of near

Marvin Jones chairman of the Hous

committe on agriculture, has beer

invited to speak during the week.

or women will include: Mrs. Be

Rosa, of the Woman's College of the

University of North Carolina; Miss

Joint Meeting Lions and

Thursday evening at 6:30 p. m. in the Woman's Club.

Kiwanis Clubs Thursday

Charlotte, Tuesday. Congress

service, are:

to the county treasurer last Satur-

605.94, 20 per cent of which amount

Williamston led the sales with a

NO DEVELOPMENTS | Four County Towns

tion with the employment of a full-time health officer for Mar_ tin County had followed today the refusal of the appointment to the position by Dr. Ralph Sykes last Friday, county health authorities said today.

Additional applications are be-ing received, one coming in this week from as far away as Iowa. The applications will be checked and possibly another meeting of the county health board will be called within the next week or 10 days to consider an appoint-

Explains Purpose of towns where the stores are located **Tobacco Grading by** Federal Authorities

The federal tobacco-grading servce, now entering its tenth year, was established to help growers determine ville reported sales amounting to ine whether they were getting a fair price for their leaf.

Until last year, all grading was on a voluntary basis. But in 1936 \$2,287.20, compared with \$1,761.85 a compulsory grading was started on year ago. Williamston sales in the Goldsboro, Farmville and Oxford markets after the growers had voted to \$15,455.65 from \$11,762.75 a year,

Although four warehouses at Ox- past three months were nearly douford have secured injunctions to ble those for the same period in prevent compulsory grading, the 1936. inspection work will be continued this season on other markets.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture has taken an appeal from the day \$5,605.94 net profits, of which injunctions and will carry the case to the U.S. Supreme Court, if necessary, to determine whether compulsory grading will be re-etsablished in the four warehouses.

The grower is given a certificate showing the grade of his tobacco and a chart showing the average Snow Hill's leading hurler, yielded prices that have been paid for each

Thus the grower can see for elf whether the bid offered him is reasonably close to the average for his grade, and he can use this information in deciding whether or at State College, August 2-6. not to reject the bid.

Without such information, the grower may sell his tobacco at too ow a price, or, on the other hand, he may reject a bid that is as much as the tobacco is worth, and thereby ose a sale. Clement pointed out.

New Plans for President's Visit to Manteo Are Made

able to attend, new arrangements are being made for President Roose velt's visit to Roanoke Island on August 18. The Secret Service first considered routing the President to Rocky Mount by train and from there through here and on to Fort Landing where he was to take a boat for the island. Apparently this itinerary has been abandoned, later reports indicating that the President will travel by train to Elizabeth City and board a Coast Guard cuttter there early August 18 and continue by water to Manteo.

All plans for the trip are in their tentative stage, and it is possible the President will travel an unannounce

Extensive plans are being m for the visit of the President who will speak at Fort Raleigh as a part

By Illness To Home Here

ome on Haughton Street here. He is believed to have overtaxed him-self in handling his duties in the county court last week for the first are anxious for a full attendance. An time since his serious illness the interesting program is being ar-ordered flowers sent to the family

Number of Farms In This County

Commenting on the 130-mile farm our conducted in the county last week, Assisistant Agent J. P. Woodard stated that the 30 farmers mak ing the trip apparently gained much valuable information and seemed to enjoy it greatly.

"The object of the tour was to equaint the farmers with existing conditions and to study the work being conducted by the county agents,"

During the tour Jack Criswell, R. W. Graeber, and L. T. Weeks, spec-To Get 20 Per Cent ists from State College, entered **Cut of Liquor Profits** into discussions at different demonstrations visited. The farmers who were conducting experiments explained the methods used and results obtained if available.

The first stop was at J. G. Staton's production were observed.

The timber-thinning demonstra-\$16.52 per acre was made. R. W. has accepted the first-grade opening Graeber, extension forester from Miss Mildred Talley, of Randleman State College, discussed timber farm and Miss Eva Hoggard, of Ahoskie,

for the first time, with its sales totaling \$6,780.59. The recent opencrease in the volume of business at Jamesville this quarter. Robersongrass has made such wonderful sod Miss VanDyke unfilled and that all weeds have been smoth-\$5,401.85, compared with \$4,674 reered out.

year. Oak City sales amounted to the value of treating seed with Ce-partment. resan was the demonstration on Linwod Knowles' farm. There were 7 rarieties of cotton planted in this Employed Youths second quarter of this year jumped experiment. Mr. Knowles explained and the sales at Jamesville for the thoroughly the methods he had used. The next stop was somewhat of a different nature. Mr. Knowles had a soybean guessing contest, along V. J. Spivey, chairman of the Mar

with a real old-fashioned water contest receive a large home-grown melon as a prize. On the farm of A. E. Smith prob

484.75 to go into the county general lowed this stop lasted for 45 min-The tobacco fertilizer experiment Prominent Speakers that is being conducted by C. A. vine and increasing on the conducted by C. A. vine and increas that is being conducted by C. A. ville and Williamston. It is not by L. T. Weeks, assistant tobacco specialist, from State College. Ten Gross violations of the labor laws Named for Farm and

Home Week in State in this experiment. but Mr. Edmondson explained the women will be a feature of the Farm and Home Week program to be held ment, and he hopes to have some valuable information for the farmers

when the crop is harvested. On W. Robert Everett's farm both livestock and agronomy were observed. His cotton variety test, using six major varieties and his herd of Hereford cattle attracted lots of attention. This farm plainly showed Congressman Harold D. Cooley on how beef cattle could be used to advantage in the farming system of Eastern Carolina if properly man-Building & Loan League by unani-days, the firemen receiving and anthe Agricultural Adjustment Ad- aged. The cattle are grazed during the major portion of the year. Dur- in a meeting at Winston-Salem last morning. onomic advisor to the AAA, Wed- ing the severe winter months they week. The district presidency is acare fed peanut hay, which is raised knowledged as a distinct honor of on the farm.

At the end of this observation, Quail Roost dairy farm; O. E. Pol-Jack Criswell, farm management partment of Agriculture; and Hugh specilist from State College, dis- his interest in all building and loan Starting in a pile of unshucked corn cussed briefly the major aspects of activities. standing dairy near Wilmington, on farm management. He emphasized that fact that one must plan ahead if he expects to move onward. One est Service, Thursday. The Rev. and every hope to accomplish any-

thing, he added.

At the last stop a hog-feeding emonstration was being conducted by Hubert Hardison, a 4-H club boy was observed. He has 22 hogs that Speakers on the special program he is feeding ration of corn and fishmeal. He expects to have his hogs ready for market by August 15.

See Rice; of Louisville, Ky.; Miss Father of Local Ball Player of the 350th anniversary of the Lost Louise Weaver, Franklin County Dies in Hammond, Indiana

Steve Lakatos, second baseman or the local baseball club, was notified yesterday just before the game with now Hill here of the sudden death Attorney W. H. Coburn, county A joint meeting will be held by of his father in Hammond, Indiana solicitor, is confined by illness to his the Lions Club and the Kiwanis Club The young man learned of his father. The young man learned of his fa-Indiana city in time for the last rites there this afternoon

Local club officials and te

Inspect Demonstrations On Auhorities Find It Difficult To Fill Vacancies In **Local Schools**

> Additional resignations in the Williamston school faculty during the past day or two brought the number who have quit to enter other professions or schools up to seven reports stating that the authorities are beginning to view the task of replacements almost with alarm Four of the positions made vacant by resignations have been filled, but school heads admitted they hardly knew where to turn in search of teachers for the three places yet un-

Miss Annie Shields VanDyke, the capable and efficient mathematics eacher in the local high school for the past seven terms, and Milton Griffin, history professor last term tendered their resignations yesterday. They were reluctantly accept ed, it was learned. Miss VanDyke farm. Here was a fine example of has accepted a position in New York raising pure-bred Hampshire hogs City, and Mr. Griffin has accepted Of Plans Under New and Hampshire sheep. All phases of a position in the Congressional Li brary, Washington, D. C. Others tion on R. L. Perry's farm was the term ended were: Misses Bessie Wil-

next example of good farming. On son, of Montreat; Elizabeth Hughes, the two acres that had been thinned, of Parkton; Mariah Brinson, of New 14.5 cords of wood had been cut. Bern; and Frances Dailey, of Wilson, valued at \$65. After all expenses and Larry Wade. were deducted a cost dividend of Miss Rebecca Harrison, local girl

ing and encouraged the farmers to are the new sixth grade teachers. take better care of their forests. Miss Dorcas Knowles, of Edenton, At Oscar Roberson's the longevity just recently accepted the position of permanent pasture was no longer of fourth grade teacher, leaving the a fear. His pasture of carpet grass positions made vacant by resignahas been growing for 18 years. The tion of Messrs. Wade and Griffin and

Foster Ferguson, of Clyde, N. C. has accepted the position as head of A cotton variety test, along with the newly created commercial de-

Must Have Permits

melon slicing. The winner of the Miss Mary Taylor, welfare board to hear Hutson speak. head, said. There are many other youths under 18 years of age working in the county and they should and Home Week program, has an known to have been addressed to ably the best Poland China hogs in get permits at once or before a State the State were seen. He had several inspector comes here within the the subject of much discussion Tues- half was made by the trial jury, of the winners at the 1936 State next few days to investigate any al- day morning. Fair. Due to the discussion that fol- leged violations of the child labor

to youths in the towns of Roberson- confronting those who work land have not been at all favorably im-

onducted by D. R. Edmondson was been directed against at least one ployer in Williamston who is said to be requiring employees to work Carolina farmers as well as farm expected to receive consideration at method he was using in the experi- extra hours in violation of the State labor act provisions. An inspector gate the complaints, it was learned gate the complaints, it was learned from unofficial but reliable sources. Three Fire Calls

Local Man Heads District Building and Loan League

Mr. Wheeler Martin, local attorney, was named president of Dismous vote of the executive council which Mr. Martin is quite deserv-

far west as Raleigh and as far east

Goose Nest Farmer Digs Matured Sweet Potatoes

Recent findings in the Oak City the farmers there will have an early sweet potato crop this year. Grabbling in his patch the early part of month, Farmer R. C. Brown ound a well-matured potato tha reighed 12 ounces. The farmer dis played the potato here last Satur-

layed until Saturday. Ladies will that the burner had been in contin be admitted to the grounds free that ous operation for several years, and day when the Martins meet Green-that he had never had any trouble

30 Farmers on Tour Two Local Teachers Watson Scheduled To Die at Prison Friday

GEORGIA MARKETS

Martin County farmers are awaiting with much interest re_ ports from the opening of Geor-gia markets on Thursday of thi: week and from those in South Carolina and along the border on August 10. The Georgia opening this year is about one week earlier than it was last

A year ago, opening day prices in Georgia averaged around \$23 to \$27, the early reports declaring farmers there were well sat-

The crop this year is said to be hardly more than half of last year's production, the quality be ing described as from poor to fair, as a whole.

AAA Leader To Tell who have resigned since the 1936-37 Bill For Next Year client today, as the death schedule

The federal agricultural program or 1938 will be discussed by J. B. Hutson, assistant AAA administraand Home Week to be held at State College, Raleigh, August 2-6.

clude peanuts and truck crops.

John W. Goodman, of State Col-tion.

Two landlords will discuss the mat zens. ter from their viewpoint, and three Most of the permits were issued tenants will explain the problems cates that the pardon authorities owned by others.

Tenant security will be the sub-Tenant security will be the sub ord, that no flaws in the trial project of a talk by C. B. Faris, of the cedure could be found. These re-

women, Goodman added, "and we hope to have a large number who will come to spend the entire week."

Since Last Friday

Summer business for the local volunteer fire company showed a detrict No. 2 of the North Carolina cided increase during the past few swering three calls since last Friday

age estimated at several hundred dollars to the Frank Carstarphen ing for his work as secretary of the home on West Main Street yester-Martin County organization and for day morning shortly after 1 o'clock. and corn shucks, the fire belched The district which Mr. Martin forth a stifling smoke that filled Watson was sentenced to die in the now heads includes associations as near-by houses and entered other homes two or three blocks away cannot farm by a haphazard method as Elizabeth City, the section having The fire was brought under control as Elizabeth City, the section having The fire was brought under control by Governor Hoey on March 2 to nearly 30 building and loan organiin a very short time, but not until June 11 so that a study of the case it had charred the ceiling in the storeroom and walls in two small adjoining rooms. Preliminary estibuilding at \$450 and very little to underway, and the death date was the contents.

This morning shortly after 5 o'clock the firemen were called to the Williamston Cafe, where smoke from a smoldering coffee urn burner filled the building. No fire damage re sulted, but the building and content were smoked black. The fire wa discovered by members of the police force, and the firemen were called Oil in the burner had depleted it The baseball game scheduled here self without catching any woody this afternoon with Kinston has been on fire, and the use of the fire-fight-postponed on account of rain, and ing apparatus was not necessary ladies' day at the park is being de-Gus Riegas, proprietor, explained

No Action Taken by **Commission Yet To** Forestall Execution

Attention Being Given To Case by Governor Hoey Today, Reports State

The life of Alvin W. Watson, oung white boy convicted in the Martin County Superior Court last December for the murder of Thomas Holliday, young white man, in Robersonville the month before, is hangg by a thread, his attorney, Henry D. Hardison, stating today that officials of the State Parole Commission had taken no action to comnute the death sentence to life imnment or to stay the execution

scheduled for Friday of this week. Attorney Hardison, after express ng confidence sometime ago that the boy's life would be spared, appeared quite uneasy about the fate of his was only two days removed, and no encouraging reports had been received from the commiss

Don Gilliam, handling the prose, cution for the state, is vacation or, Wednesday morning of Farm and could not be reached today, Attorney Hardison explaining that it was still uncertain what action, if Starting at 8 o'clock, Hutson will any, the solicitor would take in bexplain tentative plans for the agri- half of Watson. Gilliam is expected altural conservation program to be to return to his home in Tarboro toffered North Carolina farmers next|morrow and Hardison plans to talk with him personally there in an ef-He will also give the growers op- fort to get him to intervene in beportunity to express their opinion half of the doomed boy. Judge M of the program, as conducted this V. Barnhill, who presided over Watyear, and of the proposed program son's trial and who sentenced him for 1938, said E. Y. Floyd, of State to death, has made no recommendation for mercy, as far as it could be In addition, Hutson will outline learned today. The trial jurist, now the bill now before Congress re- a justice on the State supreme court garding control legislation for cot-bench, pointed out immediately folon, tobacco, corn, wheat and rice, lowing the trial that he believed and which may be expanded to in- Watson was the victim of an illarranged social system. Shortly aft "This will be your chance to get er the trial, Judge Barnhill is said ome first hand information on the to have reviewed the case with sym-Work permits have been issued to program for next year," Floyd stat- pathetic interest, Attorney Hardison 35 youths in this county to date, ed in urging all growers who can believing at the time that the trial judge would recommend commuta

lege, who has arranged the Farm The only plea for mercy that is nounced that farm tenancy will be pardon authorities in Watson's becomposed of Beaufort County citi-

Information reaching here indispecialist, from State College. Ten varieties of fertilizer are being used in this experiment.

A corn variety test that is being conducted by D. R. Edmondron was been directed and the complaints and learned today that complaints had conducted by D. R. Edmondron was been directed and the conducted by D. R. Edmondron was been directed and the complaints and learned today that complaints had conducted by D. R. Edmondron was been directed and the con Every day of the week will bring recommendations by the tria the hands of the pardoning powers.

Sheriff C. B. Roebuck said today that he would take no step to bloc any plea for mercy, but that he could not afford to participate in any movement for clemency. He added that he felt he had done his duty in bringing Watson to trial and doing all he could in seeing that the wayward boy received fair treatment while in his charge.

Friends of Watson, including prom inent citizens of Georgia, his home state, are making last-minute efforts to save his life, but the value of their efforts, as well as those of local counsel and others cannot be de termined just now.

Convicted for the brutal murder of Thomas Holliday at a Robersonville filling station early Sunday morning, November 23, last year, gas chamber, Raleigh, last March His execution date was changed could be made. No results of that study were ever released, and on June 11 repairs to the prison were automatically changed to July 80.

Willis Bullock, young county man also a defendant in the murder case, was found not guilty.

N. C. Green Distributor For Sinclair Products

N. C. Green, local Ford dealer, was named distributor for the Sinclair Refining Company in this territory last week to succeed W. I. Skir it was officially announced Sa

The new distributor will handl the business as a separate and dis-tinct unit from the Ford agency, he seed, and will maintain intact

While some doubt if he will be

Hospital by Few Minutes

ed route.

County Solicitor Confined

smallest on record in recent weeks. early part of the year.

Enjoy Trip Friday Vacancies in Faculty