

# Nineteen Defendants Sentenced To Prison By Judge Thompson

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dom when he took the case before the jury.

Clyde Silverthorne, a second knight in Martin County's court and who appealed from a recorder's court sentence of one year on the roads, was sentenced to the roads for eighteen months for assaulting his wife.

Few sentences had been meted out before it was baringly evident that Judge Thompson will not tolerate rogues going free in his court. Charged with breaking and entering and larceny, Ben and Bryant Dixon were sentenced to the roads for from three to five years, and Isaac Sutton for from 12 to 18 months on the roads. Sutton and Ben Dixon pleaded guilty, and Bryant Dixon was adjudged guilty of larceny by a jury.

J. B. Thomas, 54-year-old white farmer of the Bath section of Beaufort County, was sentenced to prison for three years for forgery.

In the case charging James Hunter and Willie J. Williams with larceny and receiving, Hunter, a minor, was sent to Judge L. B. Wynne for trial in the juvenile court. Williams was sentenced to prison for a term of five to seven years. The Hunter boy is slated for a reformatory.

Charged with breaking and entering and an assault with a deadly weapon, Lawrence Biggs, a peg leg colored fellow of Robersonville, pleaded guilty of forcible trespass and was sentenced to the roads for eighteen months.

The case charging H. W. Spruill with drunken driving was continued until the June term.

Robert Brown and Charlie Wiggins, two Williamston colored men who obtained an unemployment check from the government office in Williamston under false pretense and forged an endorsement, pleaded guilty. Brown, a victim of paralysis, was sentenced to the roads for two years and Wiggins for four years. The two men were on the WPA rolls, the judge succeeding in getting them off before the government could effect its sweeping reduction in personnel.

Charged with stealing 20 bags of peanuts from a Williamston storage house last January, Jeff Whitehurst and Herbert Brown were sentenced to the roads for a period of three years. The case charging Whitehurst with temporary larceny of a truck was continued. Johnny Jones, a third defendant in the case, skipped a \$100 bond, the court issuing papers for his arrest and possible trial next June term. Unofficial reports received here today stated that Jones was hiding in Bertie until he heard from the court and that he had moved to unannounced points.

Prayer for judgment was continued until next March in the case charging Robert Belvin Stirling with non-support. The continuance was granted upon the condition that the defendant pay the court costs, \$250 to the court clerk for the mother of Robert B. Stirling, Jr., and the further payment of \$375 on or before March, 1940, and still a third amount of \$375 for the youth's mother on or before March, 1941. Bond

## "BAD" JUDGE

"He is the baddest judge what ever came to town," Clarence Keel, man about jail, said Wednesday morning after hearing about the sentences meted out by Judge C. E. Thompson in Superior court here the day before. "He don't even know the word 'month'. All he knows to say is years," Keel allowed.

Keel, commonly referred to as "Rabbit" came here from Robersonville a few weeks ago to make amends for drunkenness, and decided to help Jailor Roy Peel through what has been one of the busiest times in Martin County jail history.

Rabbit agreed that the judge had possibly done more in two days to help the jailer than he could in years.

## Locals Win In First Game of the Season

The Williamston high baseball nine opened last Tuesday with a victory over Bear Grass high. Garland Wynne, rookie flinger, held the visitors to two runs and five hits until the ninth inning when he was relieved by Jack Edmondson with three men on bases. An error by Thigpen allowed two runs but the rally was stopped by Jack's fine pitching. Williamston pushed ahead at the end of the ninth with three runs to win by a score of 5 to 4.

Williamston collected eleven hits and Bear Grass six. Roberson, H. Wynne, Cullipher, Sullivan and Boykin scored runs for the locals. A feature of the game was Sam Mobley's three base hit into centerfield.

Williamston high will play at Robersonville today. Local fans will have an opportunity to see the locals in action next Tuesday when Robersonville plays the return engagement on the high school diamond. Coach Edwards reports the players in fine condition and showing real talent on the diamond.

## Complete Religious Survey Here Today

A religious census of the town is being completed, Dr. S. A. Maxwell, Methodist minister, stating this morning that the findings of the canvassers are due to reach him this evening for classification.

Following a general classification the survey facts will be released to the public possibly within a week or ten days.

## Former Local Player Signs With the Eagles

"Mike" Briscoe, young Newport, N. Y., boy, who was introduced to Coastal Plain league fans last year as a member of the Martins' team line, has signed a contract with the Kinston Eagles.

Briscoe left here and went to Tarboro where he played most of the season. He is following Fred "Snake" Henry to Kinston.

In the sum of \$1,000 was required, the court ruling that upon compliance of the judgment the defendant would be dismissed and no future action could be brought against him by the plaintiff.

# CHURCH NEWS

## CHRISTIAN

Bible school, 9:45 a. m. Morning worship, 11 a. m. Evening service, 7:30 p. m. Instruction class for children at 3:15 Monday. Mid-week service, Wednesday at 7:30.

## METHODIST

Church school, 9:45 a. m. Morning worship, 11 a. m. Theme: "Tested by Moral Truth." Young People Meet, 6:45 p. m. Evening worship, 7:30 p. m. Theme: "Ancient Confessions in Modern Light."

The Young People's choir will meet tonight for special practice on the Palm Sunday program. Let all members be present.

## EPISCOPAL

Passion Sunday or 5th Sunday in Lent.

Church school, 9:45 a. m. Celebration of Holy Communion and sermon. Corporate communion and presentation of united thank offering, 11 a. m.

The Woman's Auxiliary will meet in the work shop behind the Tar Heel apartments on Monday afternoon at four o'clock. Everyone will please bring material on India, Rural America and City Life.

Litany on Tuesday, 5 p. m. Litany and sermon Wednesday, 7:30 p. m.

Celebration of Holy Communion on Thursday morning, 10:30.

Young ladies and business women will meet at the rectory Thursday, 8 p. m.

The hour of the children's service will be announced later.

St. Martin's, Hamilton Evening prayer and sermon, Sunday night, 7:30.

Meditation on Tuesday afternoon by Mrs. William J. Gordon. The public is cordially invited to attend.

## HOLINESS

A revival will begin at the Pentecostal Holiness church Monday night, March 27th. S. A. Farn, of Roanoke Rapids, assisted by J. G. Cracken, of Pine Level, will do the preaching.

## RIDDICK'S GROVE

Rev. W. B. Harrington, the pastor will conduct the regular services in the Riddick's Grove Baptist church Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock.

The regular services will be held

## PRESBYTERIAN

at all points this Sunday.

The young people of the Presbytery will hold their spring conference in Wilson on April 7th.

The Presbytery of Albemarle will meet in LaGrange, N. C., with the Rev. John C. Whitley on April 11th.

Plans are being made to organize the Bear Grass and Roberson Chapel missions in regular churches.

Sunday is the last day of worship in the present church year. All Presbyterians and their friends are urged to close the old year by attending the regular services next Sunday.

## Local High School in Triangular Debates

Representatives of the Williamston High School debating club are rapidly completing preparations to compete with Washington high and Scotland Neck high in the triangular debates sponsored by the North Carolina debating union. The affirmative team representing the local school will be composed of two of the following: Gordon Manning, Reid White and Susie Whitley; the negative team, Margaret Jones and Virgil Ward. The locals' affirmative team will engage Washington at Scotland Neck next Friday morning while the negative team debates Scotland Neck in Washington. Washington and Scotland Neck teams will debate in the high school auditorium here next Friday morning at 10:45 and the public is invited to attend.

The query for debate this year, Resolved that the United States shall establish an alliance with Great Britain, is of particular interest in light of unsettled conditions abroad.

## Tarboro Rotary Club Will Hold Orthopaedic Clinic

The Tarboro Rotary club will hold its regular orthopaedic clinic on Monday, March 27, at 9 a. m. at the Presbyterian church Sunday school rooms, Tarboro, N. C.

The Rotary Club is anxious to render service to all cripples, regardless of age or race, who are unable to pay for treatment. We will thank you for your cooperation in finding these cases and directing them to the clinic.

Private (pay) patients are requested not to come before 1 p. m.

## DOWN AND OUT

J. B. Thomas, 54-year-old white man of Beaufort County who was sentenced by Judge Thompson in court here this week to prison for three years in the case charging him with forging a check, is down and out. Virtually deserted by members of his family, including two sons in Raleigh and Durham, the man had a gloomy outlook on life when he heard his sentence fall from the lips of Judge Thompson Tuesday afternoon.

Thomas did not complain, but when he passed a motor hearse on his way to prison Wednesday morning he told Deputy Joe Roebuck, "I ought to be in there." You mean as the undertaker, of course?" the officer asked. "No as the one who is dead as h—," Thomas replied.

## News Of Interest In Farm Life School

The honor roll for the Farm Life school follows:

First Grade: N. R. Peel, George Hardison, Leona Hardison, Nooky Pearl Getzinger.

Second Grade: David Griffin, Cleo Corey.

Third Grade: Rachel Gurkin, Mary Ola Lilley, Miriam Grimes Peel.

Fourth Grade: Justus Tice, Suzanne Griffin, Mary Dean Hardison, Lessie Manning, Thelma Clyde Manning.

Fifth Grade: ason Lilley, A. E. Manning, Christine Lilley, Margaret Manning, Grace Peel.

Eleventh Grade: Evan Griffin.

The 4-H clubs of Farm Life won the county achievement pennant for keeping the best set of records during the past year.

Wednesday, April 12th has been designated as Parents Day this year. For the past two years one day each spring has been set aside as a special day for the patrons to visit the school and observe the units of work carried out by the various grades. A program, which is an outgrowth of the projects will be presented in the afternoon for the parents.

Lala Smithwick and Mary Emily Manning represented the girls 4-H club at a county meeting held in Williamston.

The senior class will present the play "Lena Rivers" on April 7th at eight o'clock. A small admission fee will be charged.

## PREDICTION

(Robersonville Herald)

"There'll be very little stealing in this county for a while, at least," Chief Bill Gray predicted after Judge C. Everett Thompson passed sentence in the Martin Superior court yesterday afternoon on several alleged meat thieves.

The local officer predicted further that if Judge Thompson returns to this county next week and maintains the record established this week, there'll be little for officers in this county to do. "Why, it will be possible for me to take a vacation during the whole month of July," the popular officer added upon the condition that the judge does return.

# WANTS

FOR RENT - THREE ROOM apartment near fair grounds. Sanford Roberson. m21-24

CORN WANTED: WE PAY 65¢ PER bushel for good dry corn. Williamston, Hardware Company. f3-f4

GOOD NEWS: BARBECUE AND brunswick stew supper Thursday night, March 30th. American Legion Hut. Price 50¢. Get your ticket now.

BEFORE RENEWING YOUR AUTOMOBILE or truck insurance policy, why not let me show you how you can save money? Low rates to select white risks. Charles M. Peele in FCX Building, Telephone 119. m21-24

SPECIAL - TWO PACKAGE SALE - One bottle Vitalis hair tonic 50¢, additional bottle, free. One bottle 66¢ or tablets 25¢, additional bottle or tablets, 15¢. We serve Maola ice cream. P. P. Peel. m21-24-28-31-a4

FIRST CLASS FISHING TACKLE FOR SALE. SEE JIM COOKE, INC. STANDARD FERTILIZER CO., e-o m21-24

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WANTED: YOUR RADIO REPAIR work. Bring us your radio troubles. We will gladly check your radio and give you an estimate free. All work done by mechanic with nineteen years experience. All work guaranteed by Western Auto Associate Store. m17-f4

FOR SALE: CABBAGE PLANTS. Early Jersey and Charleston Wakefield cabbage plants. Pecan Grove Farm, H. C. Green, Williamston, N. C. d13-tf

WE CALL FOR AND DELIVER - No extra charge. Telephone 120. Willard's Shoe Shop, Williamston, N. C. m17-21-24-27

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FOR SALE - N. C. AND U. S. blood-tested chicks, Rocks and Reds, \$8.95 per 100; White Leghorns, large type, \$7.95 per 100. Hatches on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Lancaster's Hatchery, Telephone 241-1, Windsor, N. C. f21-tf

FOR YOUR BABY CHICKS, DRIVE out to Martin County Hatchery, eight miles south of Williamston, on U. S. Highway 17. See these strong healthy chicks that we have to offer at \$7.50 per hundred. We have eight of the most popular breeds - stock all blood tested and pullman cleaned. Hatches every Tuesday. J. C. Griffin. m24-28

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FIRST CLASS PORTA RICO SLIPS for sale. Cheap for cash. J. S. Whitley. m24-28-30-a4

FOR SALE - 25 SLIGHTLY USED men's suits, all colors, all styles. You must see these suit to appreciate their unusual value. Price \$5.00 to \$12.50. Pittman's.

WANTED - DRY CLEANING SOLICITOR for country route. Must have car. Apply at once, Pittman's.

## NOTICE OF SALE

Notice is hereby given that under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in that certain deed of trust executed by J. F. Martin, et al, to C. A. Harrison and G. H. Harrison, date October 30, 1937, and of record in Book P-3, page 388 of the Martin County Public Registry, and at the request of the holder of the notes of indebtedness thereby secured, default having been made in the payment thereof, I will, on the 3rd day of April, 1939, at 12 o'clock noon, at the courthouse door in Martin County, offer for sale at public auction for cash to the highest bidder the property described in said deed of trust as follows, to wit:

First Tract: Located in Jamesville Township and bounded as follows: On the South by L. B. Harrison, on the East by Levi Davis, on the West by L. B. Harrison and Charlie Gurkin and on the West by the Davis tract, containing 11 acres, more or less, and known as Harrison Gurkin Tract.

Second Tract: Located in Jamesville Township and bounded as follows: On the North and West by L. B. Harrison, on the East by Harman Gurkin's land, and on the South by Josh Jerman land, containing 20 acres, more or less and known as the Davis land.

Third Tract: Beginning at a pine, thence running up Cedar Creek or Branch to a Spanish oak, at corner of William Carkeet line: thence along the fence, thence up the dividing line, thence along the dividing line S 36 degrees East to the first station. Being 60 acres, more or less.

Fourth Tract: Beginning at a post on the Southern edge of the right of way of the A. C. L. R. R. and the northeastern corner of the tract deed to J. E. C. Davis of this date to M. F. Hopkins, thence eastwardly along the right of way of the R. R. 44 poles to a post, a corner; thence S 20 E to and across the Main run of Big Swamp, thence down the southern edge of Big Swamp to a small chopped black gum, M. F. Hopkins's corner, thence N 20 W 108 poles along said M. F. Hopkins's line to the beginning. Containing 30 acres, more or less.

Fifth Tract: Beginning at the Josh Jerman corner on the right of way of the A. C. L. R. R. Co., thence along said right of way on the A. C. L. R. R. to the Free Union Road, thence down the Free Union Road to a marked black gum, in the head

of a bottom or flat to and through Big Swamp, thence down Big Swamp to the said Josh Jerman line or corner opposite the point of beginning, thence along the line of the said Joshua Jerman property to the point of beginning. Containing 40 acres, more or less, and being said property conveyed by J. E. C. Davis and wife to Sam Moore. This the 2nd day of March, 1939.

R. L. COBURN, Trustee. Coburn & Coburn, Attys. m3-4t


ADMINISTRATRIX'S NOTICE Having qualified as administratrix of the estate of J. R. Parker, late of Martin County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned at Williamston, N. C. R. F. D. on or before the 7th day of March, 1940, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment.

This 7th day of March, 1939. MRS. WILLIE GURKIN, Administratrix of J. R. Parker. B. A. Critcher, Atty. m10-6t

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# DOG CLINICS

Clinics for the vaccination of all dogs in accordance with the State law will be held in this county at places and dates specified below:

DARDENS	Monday, April 10, from 11 to 2 p. m.
JAMESVILLE	Tuesday, April 11, from 11 to 2 p. m.
No. 90 FILLING STATION	Thursday, April 13, from 11 to 2 p. m.
HARDISON'S MILL	Friday, April 14, from 11 to 2 p. m.
EASON LILLEY'S STORE	Monday, April 17, from 11 to 2 p. m.
COREY'S CROSS ROADS	Tuesday, April 18, from 11 to 2 p. m.
BEAR GRASS	Thursday, April 20, from 10 to 2:30 p. m.
BIGGS SCHOOL HOUSE	Friday, April 21, from 11 to 2 p. m.
WILLIAMSTON	Saturday, April 22, All day at Dr. Osteen's Office
BEDDARD'S STORE	Monday, April 24, from 11 to 2 p. m.
CROSS ROADS	Wednesday, April 26, from 11 to 2 p. m.
EVERETTS	Friday, April 28, from 11 to 2 p. m.
GOLD POINT	Monday, May 1, from 10 to 2 p. m.
PARMELE	Wednesday, May 3, from 11 to 2 p. m.
ROEBUCK'S STATION, Log Cabin	Thursday, May 4, from 11 to 2 p. m.
ROBERSONVILLE	Saturday, May 6, from 10 to 5 p. m.
HASSELL	Monday, May 8, from 10 to 2 p. m.
HAMILTON	Wednesday, May 10, from 10 to 3 p. m.
SMITH BROS. STORE	Thursday, May 11, from 11 to 2 p. m.
OAK CITY	Saturday, May 13, from 10 to 3 p. m.

All dogs not vaccinated at their respective clinics must be brought to Dr. Osteen's office at Williamston. No return vaccination schedules will be made. Owners of dogs not vaccinated will be promptly prosecuted.

Owners are urged to have their dogs vaccinated in their respective districts on the dates specified. All vaccinations will be done by a licensed veterinarian. Dogs will be vaccinated at office of Dr. Osteen when he is not out on a clinic.

By order of the Board of Martin County Commissioners.

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