

Martins Stay In Fourth Place In Torrid Loop Race

Two New Catchers and Outfielder Are Signed

Strocchio, Veteran Receiver, Arrives Here Tomorrow

Charlie "Donald Duck" Wilcox Leaves Today; Clyde Pettus Released

New Bern's Bears gained revenge over there last night when they edged out the Martins 10-9 in a 10 inning clash which saw both teams scoring almost at will in several frames.

Dick Cherry kept the locals in the running with a circuit clout in the second with one on.

Ken Rymer started on the mound for the Martins but was relieved by Pea Green, who was charged with the defeat.

The pressure is now on in the Coastal Plain League with three teams racing in a terrific battle for a first division berth.

Williamston's Martins, at present in fourth place, are two and a half games behind third-place New Bern. But Rocky Mount's Leafs are right behind the locals, being only a game and a half out of the top bracket. And Goldsboro is following Williamston by only two games.

There are 21 playing days left in the current season, with the Martins having nine more home games. Every other team in the loop will play at least one more game here with the exception of New Bern, the schedule calling for one more contest in New Bern.

Williamston will play Kinston, Tarboro and Wilson four more times each. Due to the fact that the Tobs do not return here but once more, one of the two rained out games with that club will have to be cancelled, according to a statement from League President Ray Goodmon's office this morning.

The Martins are slated to engage Goldsboro, Greenville and Rocky Mount each three times.

In an attempt to keep his Martins in the play-offs, Skipper Frank Rodgers is making a number of changes in the roster. With the leaving of Charlie "Donald Duck" Wilcox for Mobile, Ala., Rodgers has signed Charlie Ferrell, former New Bern catcher. The Duck has done an excellent job here this summer and everyone realizes that they are losing one of the team's most valuable players. Wilcox has done unusually well at bat this season, hitting well over .300, but despite the fact that his absence will weaken the club, everyone wishes him the best of luck at his new position of athletic director for the large Mobile High School.

The Skipper also announced the release of Clyde Pettus, rookie receiver, today, and stated that Neal Strocchio, veteran catcher from Burlington, would report tomorrow. Strocchio has been playing semi-pro ball this season but has three years' professional experience behind him and it is thought that with him and Ferrell to do the receiving, the Martins will be well taken care of in that department.

"Trot" Leary, Chowan County boy who started the season with Tarboro, has been signed by the locals, and will play left field tonight in Goldsboro, which means that Chesty Sparr will return to his old post at first base. "I really hate to take Dick Cherry off first base for he has been doing an excellent job," said Rodgers, "but I feel like I am strengthening the team as a whole in making such a move."

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Who's Where

FRIDAY, AUG. 15
Williamston at Goldsboro
Rocky Mount at Tarboro
Wilson at Kinston
New Bern at Greenville

SATURDAY, AUG. 16
Goldsboro at Williamston
Tarboro at Rocky Mount
Kinston at Wilson
Greenville at New Bern

SUNDAY, AUG. 17
Rocky Mount at Greenville
Wilson at Goldsboro
Williamston at Kinston
New Bern at Tarboro

MONDAY, AUG. 18
Greenville at Rocky Mount
Goldsboro at Wilson
Kinston at Williamston
Tarboro at New Bern

Sees F.D.R.



W. Averell Harriman, lend-lease coordinator, leaves the White House after a conference with the President. Mr. Harriman flew to the U. S. from London for his first visit since March 15th.

Large Feet Add To The Army Shoe Bill

Washington — Soldiers' feet are larger than government buyers estimated at the start of the defense program, and as a result the average cost of each pair of shoes has increased 2 cents.

Defense purchase officials said that the demand for larger shoe sizes in the Army had been heavier than expected and, accordingly, the latest acquisition of 1,000,000 pairs of shoes averaged a full size larger than previous purchases. The medium size was 10, compared with the previous medium of size 9.

The officials said that 75 per cent of the purchase was composed of shoes with composition soles and 25 per cent of shoes with leather soles. The price was about \$3.40 a pair, compared with \$3.38 on the last previous purchase.

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Rules of the Road . . .

HAND SIGNALS

Sec. 116, Motor Vehicle Laws of North Carolina—"a) The driver of any vehicle upon a highway before starting, stopping or turning from a direct line shall first see that such movement can be made in safety and if any pedestrian may be affected by such movement shall give a clearly audible signal by sounding the horn, and whenever the operation of any other vehicle may be affected by such movement shall give a signal as required in this section plainly visible to the driver of such other vehicle of the intention to make such movement.

"(b) The signal herein required shall be given by means of the hand and arm in the manner herein specified, or by any approved mechanical or electrical signal device except that when a vehicle is so constructed or loaded as to prevent the hand and arm signal from being visible both to the front and rear the signal shall be given by a device of a type which has been approved by the State. Whenever the signal is given the driver shall indicate his intention to start, stop or turn by extending hand and arm from and beyond the left side of the vehicle as hereinafter set forth. Left turn—hand and arm horizontal, forefinger pointing. Right turn—hand and arm pointed upward. Stop—hand and arm pointed downward. All signals shall be given last 50 feet traveled." "c) During last fifty feet traveled."

This is one of the most important of all the laws and regulations covering the operation of motor vehicles. Before starting, stopping or turning from a direct line, give a signal—the correct signal—and give it in plenty of time.

Wrecked Russian Bridge Fails to Halt Nazis



Russian destruction of the frontier bridge in background fails to halt the invading German army. Pioneer troops have erected an auxiliary bridge alongside the wrecked one and motorized troops already are rolling across toward the front, according to this radiophoto from Berlin.



FUNERALS IN NORTH CAROLINA WERE VERY IMPORTANT SOCIAL FUNCTIONS

A century and a half ago, funerals in North Carolina were considered public affairs; and were in a way part of the social activity of a community. Every plantation was required to have a fenced burial place for interring all Christians, bond or free. No person could be buried secretly; for it was required that three or four "neighbors" view the corpse to protect citizens against foul play. These "neighbors" were the coroners of that day.

Invitations were sent to the relatives and friends of the deceased. Others from town and country attended funerals as though the entire community had a standing invitation.

A Philadelphia merchant who came to North Carolina in 1787 recorded in his notes the custom of giving the minister and bearers white "Scarffs and Bands." A scarf was composed of about three yards and a half of white linen and hung from the right shoulder. The band for the hat was of white linen also, and was about 1 1/2 yards in length.

Feasting and drinking was an important part of the funeral ceremonies. In Mecklenburg County one funeral was celebrated to the tune of "seven gallons" of whiskey and feasting; all the cost was at the expense of the estate.

In her remarkable Journal of a Lady of Quality Miss Janet Schaw provides for us an interesting account of the funeral of Jean Corbin. Mrs. Corbin was the widow of James Innes and of Francis Corbin, and she was buried between her two husbands at "Point Pleasant" near Wilmington. Her funeral "in a manner suitable to her fortune," was described by Miss Schaw: "Everybody of fashion both from the town and round the country were invited but the solemnity was greatly hurt by a set of volunteers, who, I thought, must have fallen from the moon; above a hundred of whom (of both sexes), arrived in canoes, just as the clergyman was going to begin the service, and made such a noise, it was hardly to be heard: A hog'shead of rum and broth, and vast quantities of pork, beef and corn-bread were set forth for the entertainment of these gentry. But as they observed the tables already covered for the guests, after the general, they took care to be first back from it, and before any one got to the hall, were placed at the tables."

THE STORY OF NORTH CAROLINA HISTORY BOOKS IS A LONG, LONG "HISTORY"

One hundred and ten years ago an interesting chapter was written in the story of publishing North Carolina history books. The records of the state legislature for 1831 reveal the fact that long ago the people's representatives in Raleigh were discussing aiding Archibald D. Murphey in his effort to collect information necessary for writing the story of our state.

Murphey's memorial to the State legislature stated that for years he had been "engaged in collecting materials for a correct history of North Carolina, and that he was unable to complete the work without liberal pecuniary aid." He had been authorized to raise funds by way of lottery for the project; but there were certain limitations whereby he was unable to secure the total amount needed. Approximately \$50,000 was necessary, and the proposed lottery was for only \$15,000. A subsequent bill had been passed authorizing the president and directors of the Literary Fund to raise by means of a lottery, a sum of \$50,000 to be used by Murphey for paying the expense of extensive research.

In 1831 the memorial to the legislature stated that nothing had been done to carry the second authorized lottery into effect. Thus there was a request that Murphey be permitted to go ahead with the \$50,000 lottery without awaiting the action of the directors of the Literary Fund.

The materials needed, according to the memorial, were deposited in the public offices in England, and among the early records of other colonies including Georgia, South Carolina and Virginia. Copies of the documents in England were needed, and Murphey was ready to make the trip across the ocean if sufficient aid were given.

The legislature of 1831 was not as friendly toward lotteries as former ones had been, and Murphey's memorial was referred to a committee. When the bill concerning the lottery and memorial was returned to the legislature, it was accompanied by the following report:

"That however anxious they are to see a correct History of North Carolina, yet a failure of a similar attempt made by the petitioners, not many years since, connected with the system of hazard, contemplated in the Memorial, upon the morality of the community, induces your committee to return the Bill and Memorial to the House and recommend its rejection."

Bits O' Business In The United States

Don't expect to see any definite percentage figures on how much production of autos—and refrigerators, washing machines, etc.—is to be curtailed; the raw materials situation is such that these industries, and the defense officials, will just have to go along, doing the best they can, month to month—predictions are out.

Nation's department store sales for week ending August 2nd showed another 27 per cent gain over same week last year. Farm commodities still exempt from price-control legislation draft—their prices would have to hit 110 per cent of "parity" before being subjected to ceilings; at maximums, that would mean about \$1.29 a bushel for wheat; 94c a bushel for corn; 26c a pound for flue-cured tobacco; \$1.19 a bushel for rice, and 18c a pound for cotton.

Look for open-mesh hose, in colors, and made of cotton, as relief for silk hosiery shortage; also hose with cotton or rayon tops and feet; du Pont expects to be producing enough nylon yarn for 40 per cent of nation's hosiery by end of the year.

No 'Summer Lull' In Business World

Price control legislation, the new tax bill, and eastern gas rationing all have sort of settled down for summer simmering on the back of the business stove . . . but retail trade is in front, and sizzling! Instead of usual hot-weather lull, this summer is proving by far the best that retailers have known in more than a decade. Increased purchasing power traceable to defense "boom" is the dominant factor, of course, but lately "scare buying" has been increasing as consumers tend to purchase beyond their current needs because of threats of shortages and price rises. This is especially true in the case of durable goods and staple clothing. One men's clothing chain is showing a gain of 51.4 per cent over last year, and big mail order companies which do a substantial business in durable consumers' items have had gains ranging from 30 to 42 per cent. A somewhat exaggerated example of how shortage and price-rise apprehension affects consumers is visible right now in the frantic rush at the silk stockings counters.

Rodgers Hits Homer in Eighth To 'Slay' Bears

New Bern Falls 4 to 2 Before Pete Kunis Wednesday

Fred Hoyle Makes One of the Most Outstanding Catches Ever Seen in League

Pete Kunis continued his winning ways on the mound as the Williamston Martins conquered New Bern's Bears 4-2 here last Wednesday evening. Kunis hooked up with Roland Longest in a hurling duel, and gained the edge when the Bear hurler weakened in the eighth. Both allowed eight hits, while Pete fanned eight batters and Longest seven.

Skipper Frank Rodgers played a leading role in the victory, knocking in three of the local tallies. In the first inning, after two walks, two errors and two wild pitches, the Skipper singled to left field to tie the game up.

Both pitchers settled down, and gooseeggs were in order under the eighth frame. With two men out, Chesty Sparr singled to left and Rodgers slammed the ball on the gym for a home run to drive in the winning runs.

Out of the best, if not the best, catches of the season here was made in the fifth when Fred Hoyle raced all the way to the school building to snag Swiggett's drive. It took fans some time to realize that Hoyle had made this seemingly impossible catch, which looked like a three-base blow.

After the first inning, Kunis had very little trouble except in the eighth, when a single and an error put runners on first and second with only one out. But Pete fanned Leon Thompson, slugging first baseman, and Walton flied out to right field to halt any scoring.

Babe Tuckey, with two for three, led the Martins, but Skipper Rodgers pair of "clutch" safeties, rate high mention. Dick Cherry, playing a bang-up first base, had a perfect night—one for one—having sacrificed on his other two trips.

RESULTS

Tuesday, August 12. All games, rain.

Wednesday, August 13
Williamston 4, New Bern 2.
Kinston 4-7, Tarboro 3-4.
Wilson 8, Rocky Mount 1.
Greenville 5, Goldsboro 3.

Thursday, August 14.
Goldsboro 6, Greenville 3.
Rocky Mount 8, Wilson 3.
Kinston 7, Tarboro 6.
New Bern 10, Williamston 9.

STANDINGS

Team	W	L	Pct.
Wilson	69	26	.726
Greenville	53	43	.552
New Bern	50	45	.526
Williamston	48	49	.486
Rocky Mount	46	50	.479
Goldsboro	46	51	.474
Kinston	37	60	.381
Tarboro	35	60	.368

NOTICE OF SALE

Under and by virtue of an order of sale and judgment made by L. B. Wynne, Clerk of the Superior Court, on Monday, the 11th day of August, 1941, the undersigned commissioner, will on Friday, the 12th day of September, 1941, offer for sale for cash to the highest bidder, in front of the courthouse door in the town of Williamston, at twelve o'clock noon, daylight saving time, the following described tract or parcel of land, to wit:

One house and lot situated in the town of Parmele, N. C., adjoining J. A. Whitehurst and Bettie Carson

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Estate and others, and containing one-half acre, more or less, and being the same property deeded to Mrs. Lillian Adams by A. L. Bellflower, recorded in Book V-2 at page 295. This the 11th day of August, 1941.

ELBERT S. PEEL, Commissioner.

NOTICE OF SALE

North Carolina, Martin County. In The Superior Court.
County of Martin vs. C. E. Ange.
Under and by virtue of an order of sale and judgment made by L. B. Wynne, Clerk of the Superior Court, on Monday, the 11th day of August, 1941, the undersigned commissioner, will, on Friday, the 12th day of September, 1941, offer for sale for cash to the highest bidder, in front of the courthouse door in the town of Williamston, at twelve o'clock noon, daylight saving time, the following described tract or parcel of land, to wit:

Adjoining the lands of Levin Ange, the School house lot and others, bounded as follows: Beginning at the N. E. corner of the Ange School house lot and running said school house lot line 416 feet, thence N. 21 deg. East 104 5-12 feet, thence S. 67 deg. East 416 feet to the public road thence S. 21 deg. West along said road 104 5-12 feet to the point of beginning, containing 1 acre.

This the 11th day of August, 1941.

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North Carolina, Martin County. In The Superior Court.
County of Martin vs. Mrs. Ruth Bundy and Husband.
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Bounded on the North by the Coburn land, on the East by the Coburn land, on the South by the Eli Moore land, and land of Mrs. Lillian B. Carson, on the West by the land of S. J. Carson, containing 300 acres, more or less, and being that tract of land inherited by B. L. Carson, Selma C. Moore, Ruth C. Bundy, and S. T. Carson from the estate of their father, S. T. Carson, deceased.

This the 11th day of August, 1941.

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