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NEW SLAUGHTER HOUSE OPENED HERE THURSDAY

D. M. Roberson Is Owner Of New Enterprise Near Fair Grounds

ONLY ONE IN SECTION

Capacity of Plant Is Now About 200 Hogs Each Week; Additional Equipment Ordered

A slaughter house, handling hogs and beef principally, was opened here yesterday by Mr. D. M. Roberson, owner and manager of the new business. The building handling the slaughtering equipment was completed last week, and while the coolers and tracks have not been placed at this time, the owner butchered a number of pigs for delivery yesterday. The building is located to the west of the Roanoke Fair Grounds on the A. C. L. Railroad.

The slaughtering house, the only one located in this immediate section, will handle around two hundred hogs each week, according to Mr. Roberson, who is an experienced swine breeder. The business is supplying markets in many of the towns of this section at the present time. Deliveries are made each week, and a large amount of the raw meat is trucked direct from the slaughter house by the purchasers.

The butchering process has been conveniently arranged and only a few minutes are required to take the live pig from the pen to the delivery racks. The animal is run into a small pen near the slaughter house door, where it is killed and prepared for the dipping vat. After a few seconds in the vat, the hog is placed on a cleaning table where the hair is removed by the scrapers. A track takes the pig from the table to another part of the building, where it is thoroughly washed and made ready for dressing. With the installation of a collar, with a ton capacity, the dressed animal will be placed on storage or delivered immediately, as the case may be.

Five men are required to handle the several operations, each employee having definite tasks to perform as the animal is made ready for the market. Care is exercised in all the operations, particular attention being given to the dressing of the pig.

Mr. Roberson, a large breeder himself, stated yesterday that the supply was somewhat limited in this section and that he would be forced to handle foreign meat for a few weeks. Up until the present time, however, the demand is being met with local goods. No beef has been handled in the house, Mr. Roberson stating that he would be forced to wait until all the equipment is placed before he could slaughter cattle to advantage.

METERS BEING READ MONTHLY

Many Users Are Protesting That Readings Are Too Much

Many of the town's water users were, and still are, for that matter, puzzled over the excess in their water readings for the past month, and Superintendent Harrell is having a difficult time explaining and insisting that they have been washing, scrubbing and bath more than usual. The recent meter readings were the first to be made under the monthly plan, it is believed that the revenue from the water department will now more than offset the expense and leave a surplus in the town's treasury.

Under the old system, the minimum charge for certain fixtures was \$6 a quarter, 10,000 gallons being allowed for that amount. Under the new system the charge remains the same, \$2 per month, but the limit for that amount is 3,000 gallons each month, or 9,000 gallons for the quarter. According to the department's superintendent, a majority of the readings show an excess.

WATTS THEATRE

Saturday August 3
Ben Wilson and Neva Garber
in
"WARRIOR GAP"
Also COMEDY AND SERIAL
"TARZAN THE MIGHTY"
Monday-Tuesday August 5-6
DOLORES COSTELLO
and CONRAD NAGEL
in
"GLORIOUS BETSY"
Also NEWS and FABLES
MUSIC BY PHOTOTONE

Tobacco Meeting Tonight At City Hall, 8:00 o'Clock

To further boost the local tobacco market, citizens of the town and community are expected to pack the town hall auditorium tonight at 8:30 o'clock, when methods of backing the warehouses and the market as a whole will be discussed. The twenty-one members of the advertising committee have been requested by the chairman to bring twenty-five citizens each with them to the meeting, and every-

thing is cocked and primed for a spirited gathering this evening. No contributions will be asked, it was stated, but an earnest effort will be made to line up a 100 per cent boosting group. The meeting will last only a short while, and every one is earnestly requested to attend. Judge R. J. Peel, chairman of the committee, appointed at a meeting held last Friday evening, will be in charge of the session tonight.

WEARS PAJAMAS DOWN STREET

Local Parader, However, Soon Returns to Conventional Attire

While there was some doubt expressed as to whether or not he sleeps in pajamas, it is a certain fact that William Cook appeared on the streets about 7:30 o'clock. When he reached the W. D. Ambers dry cleaning establishment, the suspense became too great for him to continue further and he stopped there, returning to his home a few minutes later. The night clothes were strictly modern, having all the elaborate marks and stripes found in today's dress.

W. O. Saunders, who jumped for the publicity resulting from the wearing of the night garb, attracted much attention in the State when he wore them down the main street of his town. Carrying the campaign for comfort in dress to New York City, the Elizabeth City man attracted very little attention when he wore a pair of fancy pajamas down Fifth Avenue. According to a seven-line dispatch from the city, the Elizabeth City man was completely ignored. The dispatch reads, "A Carolinian staged a solo parade in pajamas here today, but hardly caused a ripple. Instead of arresting him, policemen merely laughed. Fifth Avenue street crowds preferred to watch a steam shovel at work."

MONKS WIN PUNK EXHIBITION, 7-4

Game Here Thursday With Beaufort Aggregation Is Listless Affair

The Martin County baseball nine defeated the Beaufort aggregation here yesterday afternoon, 7 to 4, registering its second victory in as many days. The game was a listless affair and was marred by many errors. Gardner started for the locals, but gave way to Homer Barnhill in the early part of the game, the visitors scoring three of their four markers in the first frame. A fourth run in the third closed the scoring for the Beaufort nine, while the Monks registered four in the fourth when Hood knocked a home run with three men on base.

The win yesterday places Martin in a tie with Bertie in holding to top place in the League leadership race. Next week will see the close of the second half and then the championship series, provided Bertie loses the second half.

THREE ATTEND SHORT COURSE

Three Members of Jamesville Club and Agent at Meeting in Raleigh

Attending the annual girls and boys short course in Raleigh this week, three girls of the Jamesville 4-H club, Reba Bailey, Pauline Davis and Bertie Martin, accompanied by Mrs. Iceline Warren and Miss Lora Sleeper, the county home agent, are rendering very favorable reports on the meeting. The Jamesville club is the only one represented from this county.

More than eight hundred girls and boys from all parts of the State are in attendance at the Raleigh meeting this week where a splendid and useful schedule of events is being followed. The Martin representatives will return home tomorrow, it was stated by Miss Sleeper.

Principal of Local Schools Expected Here Shortly

Professor W. R. Watson, newly appointed principal of the local schools, is expected here within the next few days to complete the plans for opening of the schools here September 2. On account of illness in his family, the school principal was unable to reach here this week, as he had first planned. Mr. Watson and his family will be at home in the house formerly used by the Hollidays in New Town.

BROWN STARS IN WIN OVER BEARS

Let Beaufort Down With 2 Hits and Bats in Winning Run in 10th Inning

Jimmie Brown annexed additional honors in the Bright Leaf Belt Baseball League here last Wednesday afternoon when he defeated Beaufort's nine, 4 to 0. Relieving Gurkin in the second inning, the young Jamesville lad allowed only two hits and struck out eight of the batters facing him. A three-base hit in the last of the tenth scoring the winning run, added to his splendid work in the box and gave to him an undisputed claim to the day's victory.

Gurkin started in the box for the Monks, but was unable to hit his stride, walking the first man up and allowing one hit. Errors proved costly, and one of the visitors' two runs was made. Waters, Beaufort catcher, knocking the ball into deep left for two bases and the scoring of the second marked. Satterwaite fanned and two infield outs marked the end of the first half. Martin's half was ended in rapid numerical order. In the second, the visitors placed a man on first when an error was made. After throwing three balls to the second batter to face him, Gurkin gave way to Jimmy Brown, who allowed the Bears only two hits during the remainder of the game. Cherry went to right field, Carroll Brown to third, and Roebuck was placed at short.

The hits were few and far between, and the number of errors decreased greatly as the game progressed. Aside the two strike-outs by Brown in the third, and two more in the fourth, the game went without features until the last of the fourth when Martin scored its first run. Piephoff singled, Hood was out at first, the preacher scoring on Jimmie Brown's hit. A short argument followed in the first of the fifth when Satterwaite interfered with the ball, but the side was retired by an out at first. Taking the bat in their half of the fifth, the Monks knotted the score. Whitehurst singled and stole second. Spivey walked; Cherry's high fly was caught; Roebuck, hitting for two bases, scored Whitehurst and advanced Spivey to third. Piephoff reached first when the third baseman attempted to catch Spivey off third. Then, with three on the bases, Hood singled, scoring Spivey and knocking the count. Roebuck was forced out at home and Piephoff was caught off third.

The visitors worked a double play in the last of the eleventh, and that, with Gaylord's remarkable catch in left, featured the play until the last of the tenth, when Jimmie Brown scored Hood with a three-base hit placed deep in left field.

The visitors furnished strong competition, and the game was, as a whole, above par.

NEW BAT BREAKS UP BALL GAME

Senator Stubbs' Gift to Jimmie Brown Is Deciding Factor Thursday

Watching the Wednesday baseball game played here by Beaufort and Martin, the fans were not aware of an outside factor which, it is believed, had much to do with Martin's victory. During several visits here in the past few days, Jimmie Brown had examined a bat in the Culppeper Hardware Company's store, and each time he expressed a desire to own it. Attorney Harry W. Stubbs, coming up with the Jamesville boys just before the game that day, heard them speaking of the bat. Upon their arrival here the former Senator touched the all-star, shortstop on the shoulder and asked him if he thought it was possible to find that certain bat. Mr. Stubbs made the young athlete a present of the bat.

The player told the lawyer that he would not use the bat that day for luck later on. Nine innings passed, the score was tied in the tenth, and with two men out and one on base Jimmie's turn at bat rolled around. He walked to the bat presented him a short time before and solemnly stated that if he ever needed it, he needed the stick them. A long hit was knocked to left field, and the game was won.

STOCKHOLDERS OF WAREHOUSE HOLD MEETING

Building Committee Takes Over New Structure from Contractor

VERY SATISFACTORY

Treasurer's Report Shows That Total Of \$17,175 Has Been Paid in For Stock

Examining the construction work and material, the building committee accepted the new Planters Warehouse here this week from the contractors, Messrs. Jones and Company, of Williamston. At a joint meeting of the Martin County Warehouse Company directors and the committee held last night in the town hall, it was pointed out that the construction work and materials used were very satisfactory and that the building is up to the top standard in every respect.

According to the treasurer's report, \$17,175 have been paid into the treasury by the stockholders up to this morning. It was stated that the lot, building and equipment would cost around \$22,000, making an additional sale of stock necessary. Approximately 50 of the stockholders have pledged a proportionate increase in their stock, assuring the sale's success. It was decided at the meeting to carry approximately \$16,000 insurance on the structure and equipment, the rate not being given.

A committee was appointed at the meeting to purchase the remainder of the equipment necessary in the house's operation. The scales are being placed this week, and only a few days will be required to get the remainder of the equipment here ready for use when the market opens September 2.

GRAF ZEPPELIN HEADED FOR U. S.

Huge Dirigible Is Due To Arrive At Lakehurst Sunday

Paris, Aug. 1.—After struggling bravely through unfavorable weather conditions the Trans-Atlantic dirigible Graf Zeppelin was reported soaring steadily along over the Mediterranean Sea tonight, approaching the narrow Strait of Gibraltar whence it planned to strike out over the Atlantic Ocean for Lakehurst, N. J., where it is due Sunday.

The dirigible, with two women and 16 men aboard as passengers in addition to a crew of 40, was reporting irregularly as it flew along, well off the coast of Spain. Latest advices showed the big ship to be further on its way than on its previous flights along the southern route. It was indicated that Dr. Hugo Eckener planned to keep the ship well to the south to avoid unfavorable atmospheric conditions.

At approximately 2 p. m. (8 a. m. E. S. T.) the dirigible flew over the town of St. Louis-Sur-Rhone, at the mouth of the Rhine river on the Mediterranean Coast. It headed out over the Mediterranean in the general direction of the Spanish coast, and about an hour later was reported sailing over the sea halfway between the coast and the Balearic isles.

Weather conditions over the Mediterranean area and on out over the Atlantic were reported favorable, contrasting to the stormy conditions and strong wind which the dirigible battled this morning after leaving Friedrichshafen.

There were reports in Germany that a young German had stowed away on the dirigible but this was not confirmed in various dispatches.

ST. LOUIS FLIERS ARE HONORED

Jackson and O'Brine, Endurance Fliers, Guests at Big Celebration

Dale Jackson and Forrest O'Brine were hailed today as new conquerors of the air as St. Louis began a two-day celebration in honor of their achievement in piloting the monoplane, "St. Louis Robin", to a new endurance record of 420 hours, 21 minutes and 36 seconds.

The fliers, who landed the plane last night amid the cheers of thousands, were formally received today at a Chamber of Commerce luncheon at the City Club, attended by an overflow crowd of more than 1,000, including many of the city's outstanding citizens.

Three Couples Post Banns During First Month Under Regulations of New Law

BORDER MARKET PRICES VARIABLE

Tobacconist Says Prices on Same Grades Differ on Each Market

A wide variation in prices paid marked the opening sales on four of the border's largest tobacco markets, according to Mr. Bob Grimes, of Robinsonville, who attended the sales there last Tuesday. Mr. Grimes stated yesterday that the few piles of tobacco selling for 25 cents or over were bought in by the warehousemen and that the prices paid for similar grades varied greatly of the different markets.

Mr. Grimes, like many others, is of the opinion that the high interest rates are affecting the price. When asked what may be expected in this belt, Mr. Grimes would offer nothing definite, but at the same time his remarks were anything but pessimistic ones. Reports on Wednesday's sale on one of the border markets, Fair Bluff, state that 24,440 pounds of the weed were sold for an average of \$12.46 and that light deliveries would likely be made during the next week or ten days. Other markets are reporting similar averages.

RECORDER HAS NUMBER CASES

State Highway Patrolman Gets Conviction in First Case Tried Here

While the John Sawyer hearing featured the session, a number of cases were called and disposed of in the county's court here last Tuesday, the greater part of the day being used to clear the calendar. The State Highway Patrol brought its first case in the county before the court, Lee Davenport, young white man of Washington County, being fined \$75, taxed with the costs, and having his license revoked for a period of three months for driving an automobile while under the influence of whisky.

Chall Best, pleading guilty in the case charging him with carrying a concealed weapon, was fined \$75 and taxed with the costs. A four months' suspended sentence was also imposed. Pleading guilty of disorderly conduct, Val Teel was released upon the payment of the costs and the assurance of good behavior for a twelve months' period.

J. Penlan Bland, entered a plea of not guilty in the case charging him with an assault with a deadly weapon. Upon examining the evidence, the court adjudged him guilty, fining him \$50 and the costs. A four months' suspended sentence was also imposed. The defendant gave notice of appeal, bond being fixed in the sum of \$200.

Daniel D. Stalls, charged with assault with a deadly weapon, was found guilty and was sentenced to the roads for a period of 15 months. He appealed the case, bond being fixed at \$300. The case originated when Stalls accused Burley Nelson of stealing his dog. Nelson was tried on the charge, but was found not guilty.

W. E. Eunting, charged with violating the liquor laws, had his case continued one week.

Julius D. Hardison, charged with allowing stock to run at large, plead not guilty to the charge. The case was continued one week.

Jack Peel, charged with passing worthless check, was found not guilty.

Program of Services at Presbyterian Church

Sunday school, 9:45 a. m.
Worship services, 11 a. m.
The worship services of the Presbyterian church will be held in the Woman's Club hall Sunday August 4 at 11 a. m. We cordially invite all members of the other denominations who are not having services in their churches to meet with and worship with us at this time.

Bear Grass Services

The usual Presbyterian services will be held in the school house auditorium in Bear Grass Sunday night a 8 o'clock. (Please note the change of time back to the regular hour).

We cordially invite all who will to come and worship with us.
REV. Z. T. PIEPHOFF, Pastor

Many North Carolinians In Big Cities of Nation

According to recent figures, there are approximately 83,000 native Tar Heels living now in the country's big cities. New York and Philadelphia lead the list with around 15,000 each. A decided gain in the number of North Carolinians going to the big cities during the past year is reported.

SAWYER DENIED BOND; HEARING IS HELD TUESDAY

Wife Also Ordered to Jail in Default of \$1,000 Bond

TRIAL IN SEPTEMBER

Sawyer Not Represented by Counsel At Hearing; Wife Charged With Aiding and Abetting

Following a hearing last several hours, Judge J. W. Bailey, in recorder's court here last Tuesday, held John Sawyer, alleged murderer of John Britton, without bond, and Sawyer's wife, charged with aid and abetting in the crime, was ordered to jail in default of a \$1,000 bond. Six witnesses were examined at the hearing, the evidence varying but little, if any, in the testimony offered. Sheriff Roebuck was placed on the stand, and he told of Sawyer's arrest and the accused man's remarks. Others examined at the hearing included Philip Ambrose, Willie Harris, Winton Rawls, Jim Baker, Harvey Jenkins, and J. W. Feaks.

Sawyer, without counsel, did not take the stand at the hearing, but his wife, asking permission to make one statement, said, "There is only one thing I want to say. I have not made any threats against him (Britton) whatever and knew nothing of his being killed until he was killed. His life had never been threatened in my presence."

In the fourteen pages recording the hearing there is open contradiction to Mrs. Sawyer's statement. It was pointed out that they, she and her husband, had said they would blow Britton's brains out if he went into a certain tobacco field. The threat was also addressed to Mr. J. T. Barnhill, owner of the farm.

The trial will be called the week of September 16, at the regular term of the Martin County Superior Court.

According to information coming from the jail, Sawyer is taking an independent stand, stating to the sheriff yesterday, when the latter released an unreasonable request, that he (Sawyer) would "be seeing him."

START WORK ON PLANT MONDAY

Double Force Will Begin Erection of New Unit at Fertilizer Factory

Two construction forces will start work on the Standard Fertilizer Company's third and largest unit next Monday, it was stated yesterday by General Manager C. G. Crockett. Several months will be required to complete the structure, the manager stating, however, that the unit would be ready for use in handling the next season's business.

With the completion of the unit, the factory, located on the Roanoke River here, will be one of the largest in the State.

Fertilizer materials are being unloaded at the factory regularly at this time preparatory to the next season's business.

Begin Work of Making Main Street Wider

The task of widening the town's main thoroughfare was started this morning, the contractors stating that it would require around two weeks to complete the work. According to the present plans, the width will be increased from 42 to around 51 1-2 feet, six feet of the north sidewalk to be cut away and three and one-half feet on the other walk to be removed.

The street will be widened from the Houghton intersection to that of Watts street.

Parking space will be limited next week on the thoroughfare, according to the contractors, and an appeal is being addressed to all local automobile owners urging them to leave their machines at home during the next two weeks, or as long as the widening work is in progress.

Various Boards To Have Meetings Here Monday

The regular monthly meetings of the various county boards and the town commissioners will be held next Monday, when a number of varied problems will be placed before the officials.

The county's tax rate will probably be definitely determined, and budgets will be examined by the commissioners. According to the number of complaints being registered by local water consumers, the town commissioners will be faced with many kicks from the customers at the regular meeting next Monday evening.

OBJECTION MADE IN ONE INSTANCE

New Law Has Had Little Effect on Number of Licenses Granted

TOTAL OF 9 ISSUED

For First Time in Many Months, Number of White Applicants Greater Than Colored Applicants

Three unusual features were recorded at the county's marriage license bureau during the month of July, it was learned yesterday from the registrar's office. For the first time in many months the number of licenses issued to white couples exceeded those issued colored applicants. It has been approximately two years since the white applicants outnumbered the colored. It was only by a margin of one that the situation was reversed during the past month. Several times the number of applications have been equally divided, but as a whole the colored applicants have led on an average by from one to six licenses.

The new law requiring the posting of banns for minors in effect during the month for the first time, three banns were filed. The comparative number of licenses issued last month and in July of last year indicates that the new law requiring all minors to file applications for licenses several days before the permits are granted, had no great effect on the number of licenses issued. In July of last year, there were 10 licenses issued by Mr. Gotsinger, while he issued only 9 last month. There were only eight licenses issued during the month of June.

The unusual happenings at the license bureau were climaxed when a young white man returned with his license, pleading with the registrar to take it back as his prospective bride had decided to wait a while before taking the final leap. He pointed out that they might marry later, but the uncertainty of women was too great for him to hold the license. The registrar sympathized with the disappointed man and canceled the license, returning the fee. One objection was made, but in spite of the banns and other difficulties, nine couples, five white and four colored, met all the requirements necessary to the final step.

White

Irving Lee Smith, 26; Josephine Elizabeth Robertson, 26; Abram Peel, Barnhill, 26; Katie Mae Robertson, 25; John B. Gating, 30; Thelma Notre Ross, 21. W. A. Jenkins, 65; Lida Crawford, 55. Thurman Hardison, 22; Fronie Rodgers, 16.

Colored

William Alexander, 24; Josephine Mountain, 18. Ed Council, 43; Carrie Bell Walton, 30. Bryant Hill, 21; Carrie Hyman, 19. Johnnie James, 39; Iona James, 23.

REYNOLDS GETS JAIL SENTENCE

Son of R. J. Reynolds Must Serve 5 Months for Manslaughter

London, July 31.—Richard Joshua Reynolds, scion of the North Carolina tobacco family, was in Brixton Prison tonight starting to serve a sentence of five months imposed upon him today by a jury in Old Bailey, which found him guilty of manslaughter in connection with the death of Arthur Graham, a motorcyclist, in an automobile accident last May.

Besides having to serve this time in prison, young Reynolds was assessed the costs of the proceedings. He has already made liberal provision for the widow of Graham.

There was no mention of "hard labor" in the sentence, and, beginning tomorrow, Reynolds will be assigned to light work.

With good conduct, he has a chance of earning a small remission. Also, since the sentence dates from the beginning of his trial at Old Bailey, he will be released before Christmas.

Young Reynolds took the verdict and the sentence calmly. He received permission to confer with his solicitor and talked with the lawyer about an hour in his cell at Old Bailey.

Robersonville Boy Named Naval Academy Alternate

Richard Haywood Grimes, of Robersonville, was named as second alternate to one of the two vacancies in the Naval Academy from the first congressional district by Congressman Lindsay Warren, according to an announcement made by the congressman yesterday. Alonso Dumay Gorham, of Washington, was named as principal, and Louis Manly Curtis, of AShock, is first alternate.