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Superior Court Will Begin Here Monday

TERM WILL RUN FOR TWO WEEKS INSTEAD OF ONE

28 Criminal Cases Docketed For Trial During First Three Days

Two combined terms of Martin County Superior Court will be held here next Monday when the regular June session convenes to hear 28 criminal cases and a number of civil causes, it was learned from the office of Clerk of the Court R. J. Peel here this week.

Scheduled to have been held during the two weeks beginning April 13, the court arranged at that time for the trial of civil matters was postponed by the county bar association, as two of its members were serving in the legislature at the time.

The list of criminal cases appearing on the criminal docket for trial next week and their origins, follows: N. S. Godard, seduction, continued from last term.

Mote Mills and Furney Coley, assault with deadly weapon; (two charges), appeal from recorder's court sentence.

Jane Powell, larceny; appeal from recorder's court sentence.

C. M. Barber, assault with a deadly weapon; appeal from recorder's court.

James Ridley, house breaking and larceny, entered by warrant.

Tam Eborn, house breaking and larceny, entered by warrant.

Wm. Henry Bailey, house breaking and larceny, entered by warrant.

Holton Hyman, house breaking, entered by warrant.

James Collins and Clarence Purinton, affray and carrying concealed weapon, appealed from recorder's court sentence.

John Henry Edwards, colored, house breaking and larceny, bound over by recorder.

Herbert Reaves, colored, larceny, appealed from recorder's court sentence.

Thomas Rynes, carnal knowledge of girl under 16 years of age, entered by warrant.

Isaac Ampy, assault with a deadly weapon, appealed from recorder's court sentence.

William Hopkins, assault with deadly weapon, entered by warrant.

John Hadley, receiving stolen goods entered by warrant.

Marshall Andrews, Julian Roberson, and James Stator Godard, larceny, entered by warrant.

Daniel Wynn, arson, bound over by recorder.

Aaron Biggs, assault with intent to kill, entered by warrant.

James Bullock, larceny, appealed from recorder's court.

John Jasper Black, assault and disorderly conduct, appealed from recorder's court sentence. Black also appealed from the sentence imposed (Continued on back page)

Sunday Morning Service At Church of the Advent

Rev. A. H. Marshall, rector. Sunday school at 10 a. m. Holy Communion and sermon at 11 a. m.

The value of our faith is measured by our self-sacrifice. This mark of Christian progress is seen not only in what it takes up but in what it gives up. You are most cordially invited to attend these services next Sunday. They were planned for you and for your good.

New Schedule for Mail Deliveries Is Announced

CHANGE IS MADE IN SCHEDULE OF TRAIN SERVICE

Morning Trains Will Be Delayed An Hour By New Schedule

A change of schedules in the Parrale division of the Atlantic Coast Line and affecting trains plying between Plymouth and Rocky Mount and those between Kinston and Weldon will be made next Sunday, it was learned here yesterday.

Leaving Plymouth at 9 a. m., the train will arrive here at 9:44, or one hour later than the schedule now in effect. The train will only continue as far as Tarboro, where it will turn around and reach here in the afternoon at 4:28 o'clock, stopping for the day at 5:20 p. m. in Plymouth.

On the Kinston-Weldon branch, the morning train leaves Parrale at 10:22 and passes through Hassell at 10:42 and Oak City at 10:52, reaching Hobgood at 11:05 for Norfolk connection. The afternoon train leaves Weldon at 1:35 and stops at Oak City at 3:10, and in Hassell at 3:20, reaching Parrale at 3:40.

While the passenger service will not be greatly interrupted by the change going into effect Sunday, it is believed that the mail service will be slowed up for a few days, or until new routings can be effected for mail arriving here in the late afternoon.

WEEKLY REVIEW OF CURB MARKET

Market Anxious To Please All Its Patrons, Home Agent Declares

By Miss LORA E. SLEEPER Home Demonstration Agent

Mrs. A. B. Rogerson, of the Bear Grass community, has been present selling every week on the curb market since its opening day, March 28th. Her total sales thus far are \$56.31, sufficient to pay many small bills, improve home conditions, or purchase new equipment and help pay taxes. Her sales have been made chiefly on her layer cakes. To make a successful seller, the person has to have courage to face a week now and then with little or no money taken in, due to not having produce which public cares to buy or having a surplus of what many folks already have.

Some time ago it was thought the market might possibly open to everyone in the country, but this can not be done and continue the success of the market, due to the size of Williamston, which is the buying center and the surplus produce which seems to be in evidence this year. It has been found through observation that twelve sellers on the market are more liable to have success selling than any other number.

We wish to please each patron coming to our market, and if we fail to do this, tell us. We are glad to serve you the best possible way. A few of the prices which will be found on the market follow:

Snap beans, 4c lb.; cabbage, 3 lbs. for 5c; lettuce, 4 to 8c; cream, 30c; pint; eggs, 19c dozen; beets, 5c bunch; carrots, 6c bunch; onions, 5c bunch; cottage cheese, 15c block; new potatoes, 8 lbs. for 25c.

Remember our motto, "Where town and country meet--at the curb market." We are looking forward to meeting you there next Saturday.

Griffins Farmer Reports Strange Tobacco Worm

"I don't believe it is the bud worm," but some kind of pest is at work in our tobacco field," reported Mr. Simon Daniel Griffin, Griffins Township farmer, yesterday. According to Mr. Griffin, the worm bores a hole the size of one's little finger and destroys the top of the plant. No great damage has resulted so far, Mr. Griffin stated.

Reporting the condition of his crop as only fair, Mr. Griffin stated that it would be a matter of only a few weeks before tobacco curing will be under way.

Sunday Morning Services At the Farm Life School

Rev. W. B. Harrington will preach at Farm Life Sunday morning at 11 o'clock and at Riddick's Grove that afternoon at 3:30. It was announced this week. The public is invited to hear him.

BOYS ARRESTED HERE WANTED BY NORFOLK POLICE

Boys Abandon Stolen Car Near Chowan Bridge Last Sunday

The three boys, giving their names as Joe Isui, Jimmie George, and Andy Ellis, arrested here Monday night by Chief Daniel and Sheriff C. B. Roebuck, and released in recorder's court Tuesday, are wanted in Norfolk, it was learned Wednesday, when communication was established between the police department there and the sheriff's office here.

Charles Hewitt, of Norfolk, reported to police there that he was robbed of his automobile Sunday morning by three men to whom he had given a lift. Hewitt said he picked the men up on the Campostella bridge early Sunday morning. When the west end of the span was reached, one of the men in the rumble seat struck him a violent blow over the head, after which he was made to get out of his car. The men drove off, he reported. Last Monday, the car was found abandoned just the other side of the Chowan bridge near Edenton. It is believed that the boys did not have sufficient funds to pay the bridge toll and they left the car and walked across. George Harris, clerk in the Culpepper Hardware Company store here, stated that he saw the boys leave the car.

Monday afternoon the three foreigners were seen on the streets here, and later that day their arrests were effected by Chief Daniel and Sheriff Roebuck. A warrant, charging them with attempted larceny, was prepared and they were carried into recorder's court and released Tuesday.

In pleading for food, one of the boys gave his name as Joe Picardo, but when he went to jail he stated that his name was Joe Isui. It was a pitiful tale the three told welfare folks here, and as a result they were given a meal.

It was learned from the Norfolk police department that efforts would be made to arrest the boys, the last reports stating that they were seen in Tarboro Tuesday afternoon.

HALF-HOLIDAY ON WEDNESDAY

Merchants Divided on Closing Program; Plan To Observe Holiday Later

Local business houses were divided last Wednesday afternoon on the proposed closing program for the summer, several firms suspending business for the afternoon, while others continued in accordance with the regular schedule.

Several of the merchants were of the opinion that it was too early to close during the month of June, but it is understood that they will observe the half-holiday each week beginning the first Wednesday in July, provided a unanimous closing is in order at that time.

With one or two exceptions all grocery firms closed for the afternoon last Wednesday, while the general mercantile establishments continued open. All barber shops were closed for the afternoon.

C. O. Moore and Company Announce Extra Specials

The home-owned, tax-paying grocery store of C. O. Moore and Company here is announcing extra specials to its patrons today and tomorrow. Look over the firm's advertisement in this issue and note the bargains in quality groceries.

Hearty Response to Clean-Up Week By Citizens Anticipated Next Week

A marked response to the "Clean-Up and Paint-Up Week" call is predicted here, beginning next Monday and continuing through Saturday. Preliminary work is already under way in some parts of the town at the present time, and it is hoped by those sponsoring the movement that every one will join in to make it a complete success during the week.

"In addition to the possibility of cleaning up dirty vacant lots, there is a marked opportunity to beautify the plots in front of homes," a member of the Woman's Club civic committee stated this morning. While there is some cost attached to it, the success of the entire movement rests largely upon initiative and honest-to-goodness labor, it is believed. The success of the movement is eagerly awaited by the Woman's Club members, and every one is urged to do something that will add to the attractiveness of the town and streets.

Former Citizen Visitor Here After Absence Thirty Years

Plenty of Real Drinking, Shooting, Cutting and Slaying Going On Here Forty Years Ago, R. H. Knox States

Leaving here in 1901, when the local furniture factory burned, Mr. Roland H. Knox returned this week for his first visit since that time.

Born in Massachusetts, Mr. Knox moved here when a small child and remained until the furniture factory burned. Mr. Knox, with S. Rome Biggs, George Whitley, jr., and Harry Latham, left at that time to see some of the world. Mr. Knox out-traveled the other members of the quartet, finally settling down in Christobal, Colon, Canal Zone, after living in many of the forty-eight States for a few years. After making extensive preparations, he settled down in Mississippi and started growing pecans, but he had

been there only a short time when a cyclone destroyed his trees. He moved on and settled in the Canal Zone, where he met and married an Ohio girl at Empire. He has two children, his son, Fred, visiting this section with him for the first time.

Of all the interesting tales Mr. Knox relates, he stated that those originating right here in Williamston are perhaps the most interesting of all. "Thirty or forty years ago there was plenty of real drinking, shooting, cutting and slaying going on here," he stated. The young and the old had a good time then, and the young and old have a good time now, but the kind of fun has changed, according to the visitor.

Plans Maturing For Local Leaf Market

TRY NINE CASES AT RECORDER'S COURT TUESDAY

Evidence Is Insufficient To Convict Boys Charged With Theft Attempt

Nine cases were called in the county recorder's court last Tuesday, Judge Joseph W. Bailey and Solicitor H. O. Peel clearing the docket in a comparatively short time.

The three boys, Joe Isui, Jimmie George, and Andy Ellis, arrested on the streets here and charged in the court with attempted theft of an automobile were released. Those observing the boys' action during the early evening last Monday were of the opinion that the trio was guilty, but the evidence heard in the court did not warrant convictions.

Jim Biggs was found guilty of simple assault, the court suspending judgment upon the defendant's paying the cost and his assured good behavior.

Guy Rollins was sentenced to work at the county home for 60 days for carrying a concealed weapon.

Andrew Revander pleaded guilty of violating the liquor laws, and was fined \$100 and taxed with the costs. A six months' road sentence was suspended.

Oscar Willis was fined \$50 and taxed with the costs for operating an automobile without proper license.

S. R. Dupree was fined \$50 and costs for operating a car while intoxicated and transporting liquor. H. D. Respass, appearing before the court in the same case, was found not guilty.

A nol pros resulted in the case charging Robert Johnson with an assault on a female.

Prayer for judgment was continued until October 20 in the case charging Oscar Biggs with abandonment and non-support. Biggs is to pay the costs of the case and \$10 monthly for the support of his children.

Probable cause of guilt appearing in the case charging him with house breaking, John Clemmons was bound over to the next term of superior court.

Only six States made greater percentage gains in population during the decade from 1920-1930 than did North Carolina. The total increase in population during this period was 611,163. The total population now is 3,170,276.

ROANOKE-DIXIE LEASED TO NEW PROPRIETORS

J. W. Berger, of Florence, and W. T. Meadows In New Partnership

Plans for the operation of the Williamston tobacco market during the coming season are fast taking shape, two of the three large houses having already been leased with prospects for a renter of the third in sight. It is believed that complete arrangements will have been made within the next few days for the market during the coming season.

The Roanoke-Dixie, the largest house here, was leased this week to Messrs. W. T. Meadows, of this place, and J. W. Berger, of Florence, S. C. The working organization for this house has not been completed at this time, Mr. Meadows stated yesterday, but he did say that everything would be done toward the successful operation of the Roanoke-Dixie and the market, as a whole.

Mr. Meadows, a veteran in the tobacco and warehouse business, has been a prominent figure in the history of the local market. He has been connected with the Roanoke-Dixie much of the time, and is widely known throughout the section.

Mr. Berger, approximately 53 years old, has been connected with the tobacco business, one way or another, practically all his life, and he comes here highly recommended as a tobaccoist, warehouseman, and friend of the farmer. Starting in the business at Timmonsville, S. C., with his father, Mr. Berger has thoroughly acquainted himself with the industry. "He has auctioneered, run sales, carried the book and clip, kept books and managed some of the largest tobacco warehouses in the country," Mr. Meadows stated yesterday. The new partner for the Roanoke-Dixie was here this week and was very much impressed with the possibilities of the local market, assuring members of the tobacco board of trade that he would lend his very support in the advancement of the market. According to present plans, Mr. Berger will come here the early part of next month to start his work.

The partnership announcement is (Continued on the back page)

ARREST NEGROES FOR ROBBERY OF STORAGE HOUSE

Enter Harrison Wholesale Storage House Through A Sky Light

Elmer Purvis, 18-year-old negro, was jailed here Tuesday afternoon in connection with the robbery of the Harrison Wholesale Company warehouse, near the Atlantic Coast Line station, Red Rogers, also colored, was arrested Wednesday, and is being held in connection with the robbery.

Entering the building by letting himself through a skylight, the robber opened a side door and removed a quantity of goods, mostly sugar, it is believed. The theft was not discovered until late Tuesday morning, the evidence surrounding the case and supported by the work of bloodhounds led to Purvis' arrest that afternoon, near here.

Investigating the case, Sheriff Roebuck and Chief Daniel learned that Rod Rogers was said to have indirectly warned Purvis of the arrival of the hounds, advising him to leave town. When the officers went to arrest Rogers he ran, leading the officers under the D. D. Stalls warehouse on Railroad Street and across "Blood Block" to the highway, where he submitted. "I was just taking a little exercise," Rogers stated in offering an explanation for his swift action. He denied having sent the warning to Purvis.

VACANCIES FOR STUDENT NURSES

Application Blanks Available At The Local Postoffice

The United States Civil Service Commission announces an examination for student nurses for duty at St. Elizabeth's Hospital at Washington, D. C. There will probably be about 60 positions to be filled and high school graduates between the ages of 18 and 30 will be admitted to the examination. This position, in addition to quarters, subsistence, laundry and medical attention, pays a salary of \$288 per annum. Applications will be accepted and competitors examined at any city within the States of Maryland, North Carolina, Virginia, West Virginia, and the District of Columbia, where a first or second class post office is located.

Appropriate application form may be secured from the Secretary, Board of U. S. Civil Service Examiners at any first or second class post office and must be on file with the manager, Fourth U. S. Civil Service District, Washington, D. C., not later than July 1, 1931.

Mr. F. E. Wynne, local secretary, has a limited number of application blanks for distribution at the post office here.

NEW BERN ALSO HAS BIG BLAZE

Volunteer Fireman Loses His Life Fighting Blaze Early Wednesday

The third major water-front fire in the country within a week was reported at New Bern early Wednesday morning when property valued at more than \$200,000 was destroyed there.

Norfolk had a disastrous fire late Sunday afternoon, and Seattle, Washington, reported a \$500,000 blaze early Tuesday morning.

Two large barges, a tugboat, and the Bishop storage warehouse were destroyed with their contents at New Bern by the fire, the origin of which had not been determined yesterday.

The lives of several barge tenants were threatened, but all escaped through the heroic work of Mack Lupton. The barge captain's hair was singed by flames.

Locals Lose Second Game To Belhaven Team, 11-5

Williamston lost its second game to Belhaven here last Wednesday afternoon, 11 to 5, in a fair game, with the exception of two innings, when the visitors scored eight of their runs. Gardner, working on the mound for the locals, pitched a good game, allowing 13 hits, extra runs coming as a result of errors. Hudson, Belhaven's pitcher, held the locals to nine scattered hits.

J. & W. Tract Of Land Sold To Cattleman

NEARLY \$250,000 WILL BE SPENT ON THE PROJECT

Preliminary Plans are Made Complete by Mr. L. A. Thompson Yesterday

Preliminary plans for what is predicted to be one of the largest projects ever undertaken by any one firm in this county were completed yesterday when Mr. L. A. Vogel, prominent Iowa State banker, purchased approximately 15,000 acres of land for the establishment of a cattle ranch. The land transfer, one of the largest ever recorded in the county, includes a large portion of that tract commonly known as the old J. and W. land purchase. It is located in the southeastern part of the county, six miles from Jamesville, and about 14 miles from here.

Complete details of the proposed project have not been made known here at this time, but it is understood that Mr. L. A. Thompson, well-known malted milk and cattle man of Wisconsin, and Mr. Vogel are planning to drain, fence, and stock the large tract, starting active work within the next few months. An outlay of nearly one-quarter of a million dollars will be necessary to care for the drainage and fencing alone, it was learned from estimates furnished here this week.

More than 500 acres of the tract will be cleared and planted in corn and peas for feed, according to plans announced by Promoter Thompson yesterday. The agricultural pursuits will center around the old Dymond City site, where the company's headquarters will be established, it is understood. Information having to do with the type and number of buildings that will be erected there has not been made public at this time. Labor will be transported to the site in developing the preliminary plans, but just how many men will be employed in handling this work could not be learned.

According to unofficial but reliable information gained here this week, the State will take over the road leading to the old Dymond City site, and the company will, in all probability, develop other outlets of its own.

Very few details have been made public in connection with the development of the vast tract of land, but indications point to an undertaking that is expected to mean much to this county and section. Mr. G. H. Harrison, who has followed closely the proposed project and who has given much of his time to it, stated yesterday that the undertaking is nothing new with Mr. Thompson, pointing out that the Wisconsin man had successfully developed similar projects in Wisconsin and established a large cattle business in that part of the country. He is now head of the large Thompson's Malted Milk Company, located at Waikesha, Wisconsin, and is very much interested and pleased with the venture his company is now entering upon in this county.

Back in 1870 the Jamesville and Washington Railroad Company bought thousands of acres of land in Washington, Beaufort, and Martin Counties, and for a number of years the organization carried on a lumber business. As a part of its program, the company built a railroad from Jamesville to Washington and founded Dymond City, at one time the largest town in the county. The undertaking petered out almost 20 years after it was started, and the several Englishmen heading the company withdrew. The fields grew up and the bears have (Continued on page four)

Announce "White Sunday" In The Methodist Church

C. T. Rogers, Pastor Sunday school, 9:45 a. m. Preaching, 11 a. m. and 8:00 p. m. Young People Mrs. Rogers) 11 a. m. Epworth League and Hi-League will have charge of the service Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock. Bright Jewels, Tuesday, 4:30 p. m. It is the desire of the stewards to make Sunday a "White Sunday," a day when all the members make an earnest effort to square their accounts with the church to date. May it be a success is our earnest prayer. The public is cordially invited to attend our services.