

MARKETS TO OPEN TUESDAY

Warehousemen and People of Town Extend Cordial Welcome To All

HOUSE TOTALLY DESTROYED IN EVERETTS FIRE

Local Fire Company Goes To Scene Just Before Noon Wednesday

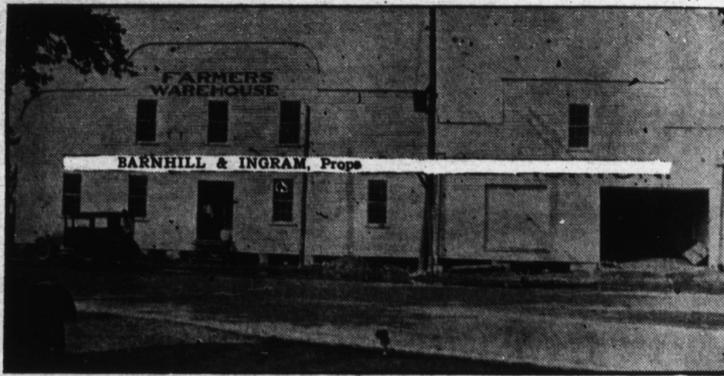
Fire believed to have started from a kitchen stove destroyed the residence of Artis Roebuck and threatened the Bailey home, near by, in Everetts Wednesday shortly before the noon hour. When the fire was first discovered, it was burning rapidly, making it impossible for those rushing to the scene to save the structure and much of the household furniture.

One of the Roebuck boys is said to have started a fire in the kitchen stove preparatory to cooking the noon day meal. He then went down town, just a short distance away, and returned within a short time. Before entering the house, he is said to have stopped in the yard to work on an automobile for a minute or two. K. B. Crawford and Will Parker, local people, saw the blaze from the highway and gave the alarm. All of Everetts rushed to the blaze, but the bucket brigades were only able to confine the fire to the one building.

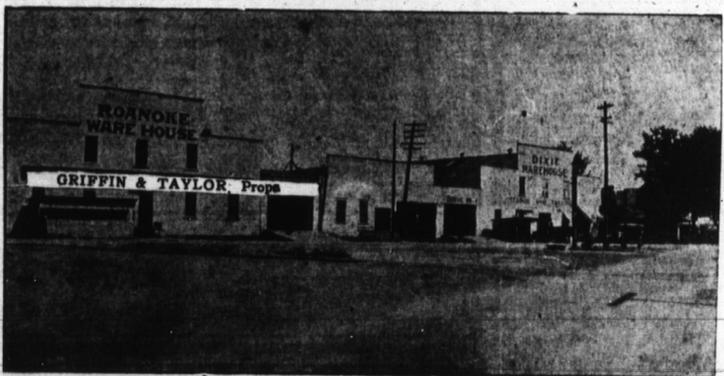
The Williamston fire company was called when it was feared the fire would reach the Bailey home near by. The apparatus was carried there in a short time and a small stream of water was thrown on several small structures near the main fire, the work of the bucket brigade and the apparatus preventing additional damage.

According to reports, \$1,500 insurance was carried on the building.

WILLIAMSTON'S MARKETING CENTER FOR SALE OF LEAF TOBACCO



Tobacco farmers will find no better place to sell their tobacco than on the Williamston market this year. Its three warehouses, pictured here, and their proprietors are in a position to handle your tobacco to the very best of advantage. You will find the highest market prices awaiting you here, making it unnecessary for you to haul your crop long distances in the vain hope of higher prices. Business men and other citizens of the town want you to visit Williamston and have you feel at home while here.



80,000 GALLONS OF GAS IS UNLOADED HERE THIS WEEK

Colonial Company Makes First Delivery To Its Large Plant Here

The Colonial Oil Company yesterday made its first large shipment of gasoline to its local storage plant recently completed on Roanoke River, the old Haven Belle, once the pride of Roanoke River steamboats, unloading 80,000 gallons of the fluid into the huge tanks of a 150,000 gallon capacity. Distribution from the plant here to points as far away as Morehead City is already underway. Mr. E. H. Wagner, manager of the local plant, stating yesterday that an expansion of the distribution system to include cities and towns 200 miles away, is being considered. A large truck of 2,500 gallon capacity will be used in distributing the gasoline.

The old Haven Belle, for years a freight carrier on the Chesapeake, Albemarle and Roanoke, returned yesterday a new boat, following an absence on the stream of about 15 years. The vessel stopping here yesterday was not the Haven Belle of olden days. Its steam power had been replaced by oil burners, and other than the name, the boat could not be identified by those who once viewed it regularly from the banks of the Roanoke years ago.

The oil tanker, carrying around 80,000 gallons of gasoline each trip, will make regular runs to this point in the future, the frequency of the trips to be determined later.

Announce List of Prices For County Curb Market

The list of prices for the curb market Saturday is as follows: Eggs, 18 cents doz.; string beans, 6 lbs. 25 cents; corn, 12 cents doz.; cucumbers, 3 for 5c; tomatoes, 2 1/2c lb.; cabbage, 2c lb.; peppers, 5 lbs. for 25c; new sweet potatoes, 2c lb.; onions 2 lbs. for 5c; pears, 5c b.; peaches, 5c lb.; beets, 2c lb.; apples, 2c lb.; grapes 7c lb.; rhubarb, 8c bunch; carrots, 3c bunch; turnips, 4c lb.; Irish potatoes, 1 1/2c lb.; squash, 4c lb.

Rev. J. M. Perry to Conduct Revival Meet at Hassells

Rev. J. M. Perry will conduct a series of revival services in the Hassell Christian church, beginning tonight and continuing for about 10 days, it was announced yesterday. Large crowds are expected to attend each of the services, and a cordial welcome awaits the people of all the section. Mr. J. W. Eubanks, announcing the meeting, stated that every member is urged to attend.

WILL FORM BOOK EXCHANGE THIS YEAR AT SCHOOL

Griffins Committee Urging Cooperative Handling of Books This Year

With the cooperation of all the children in the Farm Life district, Mr. Plenny Peel this week expressed the belief that nearly every child, if not every one, could equip himself with the necessary books for the 1932-33 term without much cost. The committee there is asking all the children of that district to collect all their old school books and form a book exchange of their own the first day of school opens.

Many children throughout the county will find it difficult to secure books this fall, but if those parents who are able to buy will provide their children with books without waiting for others to do it, there will be no great difficulty in providing books for those children whose parents are actually unable to procure the necessary books and supplies.

It is important to the child for him to have the necessary books when school opens. Every day he is without them he lags just that much more in his class.

The people of Griffins will provide books for their children in a cooperative way, it is believed, and, according to Mr. Peel, an attempt will be made to equip every child with the necessary supplies for him to enter upon his work and advance in his studies.

Local Faculty To Hold First Meet September 10

The first faculty meeting of the 1932-33 Williamston faculty will be held in the high school building here Saturday, September 10, at 3:00 o'clock p. m., it was announced today.

PHENOMENA IN SKY THIS WEEK

Unusual Light Seen In the Heavens by Williamston People Last Tuesday

The heavens, while shrouded in millions of mysteries, yielded two phenomena to the eyes of man—the eclipse of the sun Wednesday afternoon and an unusual light speaking over the skies for a few minutes Tuesday evening.

The shaft of light, resembling the capital letter "Y," or the wishbone of a chicken, was first seen about 7:30 Tuesday evening. Located in the clear, southeastern skies, the shaft of light extended from about 20 degrees above the horizon south about 70 degrees east and going straight up for a distance of about 25 degrees, where it forked. The shaft of light penetrated the darkness and was discernible at a glance.

There were no local lights to make the reflection, and the position of the moon could have had no part in causing the unusual light. Many local people observed the phenomenon, but no one was able to offer a reason for it being there.

Williamston High School Pupils Register Next Week

Preparatory to opening the schools here on Monday, September 12, Principal William R. Watson, of the local schools, has announced the following registration schedule for high school pupils:

- Seniors, Wednesday, September 7, 8 to 12 a. m.
- Juniors, Wednesday, September 7, 1:30 to 5 p. m.
- Sophomores, Thursday, September 8th, 8 to 12 a. m.
- Freshmen, Thursday, September 8, 1:30 to 5 p. m.

AGAIN CALL FOR BIDS ON WILSON-NORFOLK ROUTE

Government Having Hard Time Establishing Service

Apparently the postal authorities are finding it difficult to establish the Norfolk-Wilson star mail route. The large number of bids received last month were turned down, and new ones have been called for, the contract to go into effect October 1 and continuing until June, 1936. It is understood that bids entered last month were too low, making it necessary for the new call for bids.

It was learned yesterday that the present carriers will continue in the service until the contract is let the latter part of this month.

The new contract calls for the handling of first-class mails only, whereas heretofore all kinds of mail matter was handled by the carriers over the route. Parcel Post, marked for special handling, will be carried over the route, but that class of matter unmarked for special handling will be carried over the day trains of the Norfolk Southern trains running between Norfolk and Raleigh. Under the new arrangements, much of the parcel post coming here will be received on the afternoon bus from Plymouth, reaching here about 4 o'clock.

Mrs. E. A. Green To Teach Music In the Local Schools

Mrs. E. A. Green, of High Point, will teach public school music and piano in the schools here this season, Principal Wm. R. Watson announced this week. Mrs. Green is the wife of Professor Green who will teach in the high school here this year.

LATER OPENING OF SCHOOLS TO BE BENEFICIAL

Delayed Opening Said To Have Met with Favor of the Majority

According to reports coming from several of the County school principals, the delay of one week in opening the schools for the 1932-33 term will be of much benefit to the children and to the schools. At least, the delay will cause little inconvenience, if any, in most of the schools, it was stated.

"While we would have been glad to go ahead under the first arrangement and open the schools on the 5th, the delay will not cause us any great harm," Principal H. M. Ainsley, of Oa City, said this week. The Oak City man did say that he believed the early opening would have been better for the school there, as nearly all the children could attend during September better than they could in October and November, when cotton picking is in progress in that section. But in other sections, children are busily engaged in the harvesting of tobacco, and the delayed opening will be of much help to them and their parents.

After enjoying a long vacation—without pay—the teachers, or many of them, it is said, are ready to return to their duties.

FEW MARRIAGE LICENSES ISSUED DURING AUGUST

More Licenses Sold So Far This Year Than For A Similar Period in 1932

A period of little activity was noted at the marriage license bureau of Martin County during the month of August, when only 7 licenses were issued to applicants by Register of Deeds J. Sam Getsinger. Four of the seven licenses went to white people and three to colored. While the number of licenses issued to white couples has been greater since last April, there have been eight more marriages among the colored population than there have been among white people. Up until the first of September, the local bureau had sold 80 licenses, 44 to colored and 36 to white applicants. So far this year there have been four more licenses sold than there were sold during a similar period last year, a review of the records shows.

Secrecy was asked at the bureau for one marriage, but the news broke through from other sources, and "the side was out" then and there.

The last few days of August were hot, but one or two of the seven couples braved the weather and embarked. Records show the following licenses issued during the past month:

- White**
Willis McKinley and Annie Mary Martin, both of Martin County.
Julius T. James, of Martin County, and Mrs. Lula Copeland, of Bertie County.
Dr. E. M. Long and Mary E. Deal, of Hamilton.

- Colored**
Joe Lee Speller and Thessie Duell, both of Martin County.
James H. Finch and Cleo Reeves, both of Martin County.
Richard Razor and Catherine Williams, both of this county.

Market Here Is Well Prepared

LABOR DAY

Labor Day, a national holiday observed on the first Monday in September of each year, will be just another day to labor for every body here having jobs with the exception of the bank and post office employees. With probably one or two exceptions, those are the only two businesses to observe the day as a holiday. All stores will remain open preparatory to the opening of the markets the following day.

No mail deliveries will be made in the town or in the rural sections, and the window at the post office will be closed.

DECLARE LOCALS WINNERS IN POST SEASON SERIES

Squabble Features Close of Albemarle Baseball League Series

A squabble featured the close of the Albemarle Baseball League season here yesterday afternoon when the Williamston Martins were declared winners of the "little world series" over the Edenton Colonials. While it was generally understood that Williamston was leading when the play was stopped, the many fans were in doubt as to the count as they waited for the end of the lengthy squabble between Edenton players and Umpire Paul.

Some say the Colonials forfeited the game when the players walked off the field and that the resulting score was 9 to 0 in favor of the locals. The play was stopped in the last half of the eighth inning, the official score was 7 to 6 in favor of the locals. The squabble started when Taylor, Martin first baseman, knocked a hard drive down the third base line. The umpire called it fair, and those near the third sack agreed with the decision, but strong objection was entered by the Edenton players. One Paul Dunlap, a whipped pitcher, jumped for the chance to leave the box, apparently thrilled over the unexpected relief, and then the argument drifted to the gate receipts, the Martins' management denying Edenton's claim to one-half the money as the players walked game. The division held, both teams off the field without finishing the game. The division held, both teams sharing equally in the \$135 gate.

The game was the seventh and last of the series, three or four of the exhibitions leading up to it having been of inferior quality. And the contest yesterday, while it was interesting in one sense of the word, was short in many respects, but it was sufficient to climax a hectic and fairly successful baseball series in this neck of the woods.

Ayden is scheduled to play the Martins here tomorrow, and a game with Plymouth Sunday being strongly considered, it was unofficially announced yesterday.

EVERYTHING SET FOR FIRST SALES IN 3 WAREHOUSES

Comparatively Light Sales Expected on All Markets Opening Day

Williamston's three large warehouses, proprietors and citizens are all in readiness for the opening of the 1932 tobacco marketing season here next Tuesday. Every arrangement has been made for the advantageous handling of the crop here this year, and a sincere invitation is always in order for everyone to visit the market, its merchants, business men and others at any and all times.

Comparatively light sales are predicted on nearly all, if not all the markets in the belt opening day, but it is believed that many farmers will sell a little that day to 'feel out' the markets. Thousands of visitors from every nook and corner of the belt are expected to visit the markets and observe the sales and prices at first hand. All of North Carolina and parts of Virginia will eagerly await the averages paid that day in the hope that there will be a marked advancement.

With the common grades selling higher than they did last year on the border markets, a noticeable increase is hoped for in the average price this season on the eastern markets. Surely, the opening-day average price will be considerably higher than the \$6.84 received per hundred pounds on the opening last season.

That the opening of the markets this year will attract more attention than any past one is almost certain, for the conditions surrounding many farm markets throughout the world are more than unusual in their nature this year. Several of the basic farm commodities have advanced in price, and there is a market shortage in the tobacco crop which should boost the price of the golden weed.

With a stronger cooperation already expressed for the Williamston Tobacco Market—a successful season is predicted here this year. Able and experienced warehousemen will be in charge of the three spacious warehouses this year, and a strong corps of buyers has already been assigned to the market. Several arrived this week and already there is an increased activity here.

The warehousemen here this year will have in their employ an efficient group of floor managers, auctioneers and office men. Personal attention will be given every detail by the warehousemen, and in each of the three houses, the proprietors will lead the sales, and do every thing in their power for their patrons.

Local merchants, warehousemen and every citizen in the town have worked in an effort to provide the market patrons every advantage in selling and buying here. All are welcomed, and though the sales may not break records, large crowds are expected and welcomed here next Tuesday for the opening.

Oak City Wins Over Bear Grass 7 To 6, Wednesday

Oak City.—Oak City defeated Bear Grass here Wednesday afternoon by a score of 7 to 6. This was one of the best games of the season played on the local diamond. Whitley and Johnson led the hitting with three safeties each. J. C. Jihson and Matthews each made a home run. Sills held the visitors well in check, only allowing 10 hits, while his teammates were connecting for 15 safeties off of Stalls. Batteries for Oak City were Sills and Johnson; for Bear Grass, Stalls and Cook.

The Oak City boys so far have played 30 games, winning 20 and losing 10. Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock Oak City will meet Lilley's Hall for the third time this season. Since Lilley's Hall took the first two games, the local boys will be out for revenge and this promises to be a very good game.

AN APPRECIATION

In sending out its first newspaper in colors, The Enterprise pauses here to express its sincere appreciation and whole-hearted thanks for the support given it in making the edition possible. We trust our readers will give the advertisers every possible consideration during this, a new and more hopeful harvest for Eastern North Carolina. And we also trust that it can be agreed that by cooperation and consideration of our neighbors and other friends that all can work together for better times ahead, that the labors of farmers, business men, and others will be fruitful and in accord with the principles of human advancement.

The Enterprise presents this special tobacco market edition as an unusual event in the run of small country newspapers, not so much for the glory in it—if there be any—but with the sympathetic hope that a better cooperation among us all might result for the advancement of every citizen, rich or poor, in Martin County. Toward this end, we earnestly ask that you read the various messages and know that Williamston's merchants, business men, and the tobacco market stand ready and are willing to do everything possible for the general welfare of the community, county and all the people.