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## TOBACCO GROWERS MEET SATURDAY

### Contracts Will Be Explained and Drive Started Here

#### WILL REGISTER SCHOOL PUPILS HERE NEXT WEEK

#### High School and First-Year Students To Be Entered Before Term Begins

Principal D. N. Hix, of the Williamston schools, this morning announced a complete schedule of registration for high school and first-year pupils next week. The schedule follows:

Thursday, September 14: Juniors and seniors, between the hours of 8:30 and 12 in the morning and 1 and 4:30 in the afternoon.

Friday, September 15: Freshmen and sophomores between the hours of 8:30 and 12 in the morning and from 1 to 4:30 in the afternoon.

Parents, who have children entering school for the first time are asked to bring them to the graded school building Friday, September 15, between the hours of 9 and 12. Teachers will be there to receive them and record information required of beginners. Only children who are 6 years of age or who will reach that age by November 15 will be allowed to register and attend at the opening of school.

Parents are asked to cooperate by having all first-year children vaccinated and by encouraging all school children to observe the above schedule for registration.

#### Roanoke Rapids Man Hurt In Auto Wreck in County

Mr. George Murray, of Roanoke Rapids, is in a hospital there as a result of an automobile accident which occurred between Oak City and Hamilton Tuesday night about 11 o'clock.

Mr. Murray, driving a Chevrolet coach, collided with a car entering the highway from a side road. The Chevrolet turned over three times and was practically demolished and Mr. Murray's leg was broken in the crash, but according to advices received here yesterday he is resting comfortably and is expected to be out within a short time.

Mr. Murray is well known here, where he visited Mr. Troy Goodman several times. He was enroute to Tennessee and expected to pick Mr. Goodman up here for the trip when the accident occurred.

#### Program of Services At Methodist Church

Rev. C. T. Rogers, pastor.

You are asked to be on time for Sunday school at 9:45. The Sunday school has been reorganized and the program changed.

Preaching service at 11 a. m.

There will be no service at the evening hour.

Epworth League, Monday at 8 p. m.

Holly Springs

We will begin a series of services Sunday evening at 8 o'clock. The public is cordially invited to attend.

Sunday school at 10 a. m.

#### Presbyterian Services In County Announced

Sunday, September 10, 1933.

"The Church With an Open Door." Church school at 9:45 a. m.

Worship service and sermon at 11 a. m.

Bear Grass

Church school at 9:30 a. m.

Worship service and sermon at 7:45 p. m.

Roberson's Chapel

Church school and preaching at 4 P. M.

Balard's Farm

Church school at 2 p. m.

Prison Camp

Services by Rev. G. T. Hill (colored), at 3:30 p. m.

You are invited to any or all of these services.

#### Regular Services Sunday At Piney Grove Church

Regular services will be held at Piney Grove Baptist church Sunday, September, at 2:30 p. m. Rev. W. B. Harrington, the pastor, will conduct the services.

#### Crotalaria Being Used As Summer Legume

Crotalaria seems to be finding a place as a summer legume in the peach orchards of Richmond County, says A. D. Robertson, County Agent.

#### Outlook for Peanut Quality Poor; Crop Hurt By Rains

The peanut crop in Martin County is expected to be poor this year, according to the peanut buyers, who have made a careful examination of the crop in various sections of the county. The poor crop is attributed to the excessive rains that have fallen within the past few weeks. During the latter part of August, most of the nuts are formed and made on the vines, and a wet August usually prevents the development of the peanuts, which will figure in the poor crop this year.

Within the past few days the price of peanuts has advanced. In some cases, the best quality goods

have been sold for as much as 2 3/4 cents per pound, and the local buyers are hopeful the present prices are indicative of what may be expected for the 1933 crop. Practically all of the entire 1932 crop in this county has been sold. A careful check reveals that there are about 15,000 bags in the county, and Lilley Brothers are holding about 4,000 or this amount. The other 11,000 are distributed about over the county. Peanut patches that have been examined this year show from 15 to 25 peanuts to the bunch, with the quality varying, of course, according to the land and the farmer.

#### GIVE BANQUET FOR BALL TEAM

#### Players and Invited Guests Have Enjoyable Affair Wednesday Night

The 1933 baseball season had its ending Wednesday night in a blaze of glory, culminating with a most appropriate feast in the Roanoke Hotel. Gathered around the festive board, adorned with good and wholesome food and fine boys that composed the victorious team representing Williamston, carried on in the same manner which the players displayed on the ball field.

Mayor John L. Hassell, after the boys had consumed enough food to last them until they return again next year, paid due homage to the team, their fine spirit, and their great victory.

After these few introductory remarks he called upon the members of the team, in the batting order, to again face the pitcher in the matter of speech making. Every man displayed the same spirit that was shown on the diamond, except the silent sage, Dick Cherry, who, when it came his time to bat, defaulted and was found missing. That popular umpire, Lew Kearney, declared Dick had struck out.

Representing the Williamston fans, particularly those who love clean sport, Mr. Leslie Fowden caused the walls of the dining room to echo applause for remarks made equivalent to those of a Mark Twain.

Numerous other speeches were made after refreshments were served a la bottle. Frank Pittman, Wilber Anderson, and Garland Barnhill, in a few appropriate words expressed the appreciation of the merchants for the club and players. Jack Frank presented the manager, Bill Spivey, with a small gift purchased by the club.

The loving cup or trophy, emblematic of league championship, was presented to the club by H. M. Stubbs, who in a unique manner told the players and their manager, Bill Spivey, how much the town appreciated their orderly conduct while here and the fine spirit they had shown on the playing field.

The program was concluded with a few remarks by the secretary, Bruce Wynne, who made one of the most popular speeches of the evening to the players, by announcing that he would pay them off immediately after the dinner.

#### Program of Services At Christian Church

Regular preaching services will be resumed at the Christian church Sunday morning and evening. The pastor, who has just returned from High Point, where he held a two-weeks meeting, will fill the pulpit both morning and evening. He will preach Sunday morning at 11 o'clock on "The Soul Cure for Individuality," and at the 8 o'clock evening service on "Jesus Preaching to the Spirits in Prison." This is perhaps the most mysterious mission and ministry recorded in all the world's history. Bible school at 9:45, as usual. Let's get back into autumn form and swat the summer slump. Public cordially invited to all services.

#### Curb Market Sales Last Month Amounted to \$124

The Martin County curb market sold \$49.63 worth of cake during the month of August. The total sales for the month were \$124.59.

#### LOCALS DEFEAT EDENTON 7-5 TO CAPTURE TITLE

#### Win Deciding Game, Played In Steady Rain Here Wednesday

The Williamston Martins won the championship of the Albemarle League here Wednesday by virtue of a 7 to 5 victory over the Edenton Colonials, winners of the first half, in the seventh and deciding game of the "Little World Series." The Martins won the first of the post-season games Tuesday of last week and then turned around and dropped three straight, entering this week's play with Edenton needing only one win to clinch the series and the cup.

Starting in here Monday, the Williamston club won three straight and the league championship, winning Monday by a 20 to 0 count; Tuesday the Martins came out on the long end of an 8 to 2 score; and then in the seventh game winning, 7 to 5.

"Red" Proctor was on the mound for the locals Wednesday, while the great O'Brien, Edenton's ace, opposed him in a game played in a steady rain before more than 500 of the sure-enough "faithful." Neither pitcher was able to do a whole lot with the wet ball, but neither were the batters. The locals were aided by five miscues by the Colonials. Howard Earp and Troy Goodman made several spectacular plays for the Martins.

#### Parmele Training School To Open Next Thursday

The Training School, an accredited colored school, of Parmele, will open for the 1933-34 school year Thursday morning, September 14th. All students, according to the principal, will be expected to be present and register on the morning of the opening.

A basket dinner will be served by the patrons of the school immediately after the opening exercises. Following the community dinner an interesting program, which includes addresses by several prominent men in the educational field, will be given for the benefit of the friends of the school.

#### Program of Services At Church of Advent

Sunday morning at 8 o'clock there will be a communion service at the Church of the Advent. The Rev. Sidney Matthews, of Washington, will be the celebrant, assisted by the local minister, Rev. E. F. Moseley.

At the 11 o'clock service the subject of the sermon will be: "Religion That Wins." At the evening service, 8 o'clock, the subject will be: "The Message of St. Paul."

#### W. G. Peel Moves Office To New Location Here

Mr. W. G. Peel, who was recently appointed general agent for the Life Insurance Company, of Virginia, moved his offices from the Branch Banking and Trust Company building to the Station offices to the rear of the Davis Pharmacy this week.

Since receiving the appointment as general agent, Mr. Peel's office work has increased considerably, which necessitated more room and later additional clerical help, he said this morning when explaining his moving to his new quarters.

#### RECORDER HAD HEAVY DOCKET PAST TUESDAY

#### Number Defendants Appeal After Being Fined or Sentenced

In spite of the heat, a full day's session of the county recorder's court was held Wednesday, with Judge Peel presiding and Hubert Coburn prosecuting, the civil and criminal docket not being completed until 5 o'clock in the afternoon.

The following cases were disposed of:

Dillon Wynn, charged with being drunk and disorderly, was adjudged not guilty.

Junior Wynne, charged with being drunk, disorderly, and assault with deadly weapon, was found guilty by the court and sentenced to the roads for a period of three months. The defendant appealed from the sentence and bond was fixed at \$200.

The case in which W. H. Bryant was accused of violating the liquor law was not passed by the recorder.

Frank Fowwell was fined \$15 and cost for violating the liquor law. He was also charged with transporting.

Herman Williams, Roosevelt Parker, James Bunch, Tilghman Carr, Bryant Hill and Lawyer Davis were brought into court under three indictments: Blockading street, highway, and hindering traffic; injury to property; and larceny. Found guilty, each of the defendants was sentenced to the roads for a period of 90 days except Carr and Hill, who drew sentences of four months; and Herman Williams was given a sentence of 60 days on the three counts. However, the case against Williams was later not passed when it was found he is a minor. His case was referred to the juvenile court.

The case against Burleigh Hines, charged with larceny, was referred to the juvenile court.

Obediah Clemmons, arraigned on a charge of violating the prohibition law, was found guilty and fined \$15 in addition to the costs. He appealed to the superior court and appeal bond was fixed at \$50.

The case against Ernest Fagan, charged with assault with a deadly weapon, was continued for one week.

James Rawls, charged with larceny, plead guilty and was sentenced to the roads for six months. Notice of appeal to the superior court was given and bond was fixed at \$75.

Ned Slade, charged with operating an automobile while intoxicated, was found guilty and fined \$50 and his license to drive a car was revoked for 6 months. Appeal was noted and bond fixed at \$100.

Clinton Clark, charged with house-breaking and larceny, was sent on to the juvenile court when it was discovered he was a minor.

William Stator was found not guilty by the court for violating the prohibition law.

Will Ayers, charged with slander, was found not guilty.

LeRoy Harris, charged with attempted rape, had his case not passed with leave.

Found guilty of abandonment and non-support, Jeff Taylor was ordered to pay \$4 a week, beginning September 4, for the care of his family, and he was also ordered to appear in recorder's court the first Tuesday in December to show that the order of the court had been complied with.

#### Third District Teachers Will Meet Next Friday

In announcing the school faculty for the Hassell Grade School, which is in the third county district, last week, an error was made. Mrs. Elmer Edmondson will be a teacher at that school and not Mrs. Elmer Harrison, as was stated.

Mr. H. M. Ainsley, who has charge of the third district, will hold the first teachers' meeting Friday, September 15th, in the high school auditorium of the Oak City High School. The meeting will be held at 10 a. m.

#### Christian Church To Have Business Meeting

All members of the Williamston Christian church are requested to attend a business meeting at the church immediately following the Sunday morning service, it was announced today by W. C. Manning, chairman.

### Government Aid Is Assured Provided Production Is Cut

#### STATE GROWERS OF TOBACCO ARE FOR REDUCTION

#### Unanimously Endorse Drive For Smaller Acreage at Meeting in Raleigh

The New Deal for tobacco growers was launched in Raleigh Wednesday. Upwards of 800 farmers and business men, including more than 100 official delegates from the 57 flue-cured producing counties of the state and representative from South Carolina, Virginia, and Georgia, gave unanimous endorsement to the government plan for raising prices contingent upon production control over the next two years.

The action was taken at a meeting at State College Wednesday which resulted in a permanent organization of tobacco farmers for this State. About this organization will center a lightening sign-up campaign, beginning on Saturday, with local mass meetings throughout the tobacco territory.

The meetings in most counties will not be held until Monday, but in this county it was decided to hold the sessions Saturday as soon as it was learned that contracts would be available.

#### Official Proclamation

The campaigners will have behind them a proclamation from Governor Ehringhaus calling upon every grower to cooperate.

A million copies of the tentative acreage reduction contract is scheduled to be in the hands of the local organization for the meeting Monday. From the mass meetings the sign-up movement is expected to spread out fanlike in hope that by the end of the week signatures have been obtained on sufficient contracts to justify approval of the Agricultural Adjustment Administration and to bring about reopening of the markets, closed since last week by proclamation of the Governor.

Simultaneously sign-up activities will be in progress in the other flue-cured producing States. Success in all of them is essential to operation of the Federal program to secure parity prices for this year's crop—both for the growers who have sold their tobacco and those yet to take it to market.

#### Signers To Benefit

"We promise you that the plan will make it so that the grower will receive more for his tobacco if he participates than if he does not," stated J. B. Hutson, chief of the tobacco section of the AAA, who came down from Washington to lay the plan before the folks who will be responsible for its success in the field.

Led by Governor Ehringhaus, who headed the delegation which impressed officials with the emergency and secured double-quick Federal action, members of the Washington delegation were present at the meeting.

The Governor, in a stirring address, said that the delegation was assured that the government would do its part to bring a fair return for the flue-cured crop, and that it was now up to the producers to do theirs.

"Unless we meet the challenge," the governor declared, "God help us, we are at the end."

#### Program of Services For Baptist Church

The Baptist church, along with the other churches in town, will resume its schedule of regular evening services with the 8 o'clock service Sunday night.

There will be a baptismal service at this time, and the entire service will be grouped around the baptismal idea. And if there are others in the congregation who would like to be baptized at this Sunday night hour, they should present themselves as candidates for baptism at the Sunday morning services.

The order of services Sunday is as follows: Sunday school at 9:45 o'clock; morning worship at 11; and the evening baptismal service at 8. To these services the people generally are invited.

#### AGREEMENT

The text of the tobacco-acreage reduction agreement being submitted to all tobacco farmers is as follows:

"The undersigned will, when it is presented to him by or on behalf of the Secretary of Agriculture, sign a formal agreement with the Secretary of Agriculture by which the undersigned will agree to reduce his production on his farm of flue-cured tobacco for the years 1934 and 1935 in such amount as the Secretary, in his discretion, may designate for each such year, provided that in no event shall the required reduction during any year be more than 30 per cent of the average production of his farm during the years 1931, 1932, and 1933; such reduction shall be based on acreage and/or pound age; and the consideration for such reduction shall be the payment to the undersigned by the Secretary of rental and/or benefit payments in such amount, and at such times as the Secretary may determine."

The blank also contains blanks for describing acreage and production of tobacco for 1931, 1932, and 1933, as well as description of the property farmed by the signer.

#### AGED COLORED WOMAN BEATEN LATE TUESDAY

#### Sarah Brown Badly Hurt At Home by Would-Be Robbers

Sarah Brown, an old colored woman, living on the farm of Van Taylor, on the Williamston-Hamilton highway, was badly beaten Tuesday night by men who entered her home with the intention of robbery.

Bleeding through the ears indicated a fracture of the skull, according to an examination made by Dr. Nelson, of Robersonville, who visited the old woman Wednesday. She will very likely survive, the doctor said, but had the punishment been a little more severe she would have died before assistance was given by the neighbors.

There was no one in the home with the aged woman except a grandson, who was too small to be of any assistance in hindering the attack of the men, who unmercifully beat the old woman, thinking that she had money on her person or in hiding in her little shack.

The Brown woman did not know how she was attacked or how many there were in the gang, but blood spots leading from the porch indicated that they entered the home from a window which was broken out, and left through the door.

The sheriff was notified yesterday of the attempted robbery, but with little important evidence to work on it is not likely that an arrest will be made.

#### Revival To Begin At Cedar Branch Sunday

A special meeting will be held by Rev. W. B. Harrington at the Cedar Branch church in Jamesville next week. The opening service will be held Sunday night at 7:45, and at the same hour each night through the week, including Sunday, September 17th. The pastor extends a cordial welcome to all, regardless of church affiliations, to attend these services.

#### Services at Smithwicks Creek Church Sunday

There will be an all day meeting at Smithwicks' Creek church next Sunday, September 10, it was announced yesterday by Mr. H. F. Hutchens, Elder F. W. Keene, from the Country Line Association; Elders Jabie Harris and J. L. Ross, of the Kehukee Association, and other ministers are expected to be there. The public is cordially invited to attend this service.

#### PRICES DEPEND UPON SUCCESS OF MOVEMENT

#### Government Has Definitely Promised To Help If Crop Is Reduced

Sign-up in the government tobacco crop reduction campaign will get under way here Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock, at the courthouse, when every landowner in the county is urged to be present for a mass meeting, at which time individual contracts will be offered farmers and details worked out for the community meetings to be held Saturday night at 8 o'clock throughout the county. The government has definitely promised to raise prices of this year's flue-cured tobacco crop if the growers will sign up to reduce their acreage for 1934 and 1935, and all warehouses in North and South Carolina are closed and will remain closed until the contracts have been signed, and the sooner the farmers sign the sooner the markets will be reopened.

The meeting Saturday was called by T. B. Brandon, county agent. It was first thought that the sign-up would not begin until Monday because contracts could not be secured before that time, but the agent was advised today that the contracts would be available in time for meetings Saturday.

The meeting will also hear a report from the committee, composed of J. G. Stator, V. G. Taylor, and J. H. Etheridge, who attended the meeting in Raleigh Wednesday relative to the contract to be used in connection with the crop reduction for 1934 and 1935.

The meeting will be held promptly at 2 o'clock, and the county agent is anxious that a large representation be at the meeting, for delegates and speakers will be appointed to meet at 8 o'clock Saturday night at the following places in the county: Robersonville, Hamilton, Everetts, Sandy Ridge schoolhouse in Williams Town ship, Jamesville, Dardens, Bear Grass, Oak City, Hassell and Farm Life.

Mayor John L. Hassell will act as temporary chairman for the meeting here Saturday afternoon, and a general discussion will be entered into regarding the whirlwind drive to get 100 per cent cooperation among the tobacco farmers of Martin County. The contracts will be distributed throughout the county at the various meetings Saturday night.

According to reports reaching here from several sections of the county, a better cooperation may be expected in the tobacco acreage reduction campaign than was secured in the cotton-acreage drive. Reports have been heard that "night riders" may be organized, as they have in some sections of South Carolina, to pull up the tobacco and cotton in the fields of those refusing to sign. The feeling is strong against those who failed to cooperate with the cotton reduction movement, and many are determined to see that 100 per cent cooperation is extended in the tobacco reduction campaign.

#### Peter C. Rives Dies At His Home in Bethel

Peter C. Rives died at his home in Bethel September 2, after an illness of eight weeks, four of which he was confined to his bed with typhoid fever.

Mr. Rives was born in Martin County on the Rives farm on highway No. 90, and was 49 years old last May. He married Miss Annie Tucker, of Maryland, who survives. They had no children. He also leaves five brothers, W. R., of Graham, W. S., of West Virginia; Frank L., of Tarboro; H. L. and B. L., of Bethel; and two sisters, Mrs. M. D. Wilson, of Williamston; and Mrs. F. L. Wiggins, of Tarboro. He was highly regarded as a citizen and friend, and was a steward in the Methodist church, of which he had long been a member.

The funeral was held in the church by his pastor on Tuesday, September 5, and burial followed in the Bethel cemetery.