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CIVIL CALENDAR FOR MARCH TERM SUPERIOR COURT

Forty-four Cases Appear on Calendar for Trial Beginning March 21

Prepared recently by the members of the Martin County bar, the civil calendar for the two weeks term of mixed court in this county carries 44 cases, some of which are getting a bit old. As a whole, the cases are of little or no interest to the general public, being confined to a great extent to controversies over fertilizer accounts.

Judge Walter L. Small, of Elizabeth City, after clearing the criminal docket Monday and Tuesday, will call the first civil case Wednesday morning, March 21, according to the schedule.

A list of cases prepared and placed on the calendar is as follows:

Wednesday, March 21: Griffin vs. Savage; Huff vs. Moore; Taylor vs. Hadley; Bowen vs. A. C. L. Ry. Co.; R. L. Smith & Co. vs. Joe Knox and Roberson.

Thursday, March 22: Land Bank vs. Davenport; Davenport et als vs. Davenport et als; Davenport vs. Davenport; United Bank vs. Perkins; Hopkins vs. Boston et als; Keeling Eastern Co. vs. Rose; Fertilizer Co. vs. Sutton.

Friday, March 23: In Re: Will, Boose; Harrell vs. Greenville Bank; Fertilizer Co. vs. Skinner; Fertilizer Co. vs. Gaitley; American Chemical Co. vs. Waters; Fertilizer Co. vs. Lackamy; Fertilizer Co. vs. Moore et als; Fertilizer Co. vs. Hardy.

Monday, March 26: Barnes vs. Stalls; Bagley vs. Simpson et als; Fertilizer Co. vs. Armour Fertilizer Works et als; State of N. C. Rel. to Taylor et als vs. Coburn et als; Branch Bank, Ex Rel. Farmers and Merchants Bank vs. Bagley et als; Harrison Wholesale Company vs. Watson et als.

Tuesday, March 27: Gurganus vs. Jefferson Standard Life Insurance Co.; Rhodes and Company vs. Dunning; Matthews vs. Bunting; Samuel Whitaker vs. Roughton; Fertilizer Co. vs. Kelly; Bank vs. Supply Co.; Barrow vs. Savage; Salsbury vs. Sherrod; Fertilizer Co. vs. Long.

Wednesday, March 28: Edmondson vs. Joint Stock Land Bank; Simpson et als vs. Bullock; Fertilizer Co. vs. Dodd; Stalls vs. Farmers and Merchants Bank et als; Taylor vs. Hall; Roberson vs. Cutler; Gordon vs. Fire Insurance Co.; Fertilizer Co. vs. Richardson; Fertilizer Company vs. Bradshaw.

LOCALS WON 11 OUT OF 15 GAMES

Score Total of 355 Points Against 248 for Their Opponents

Playing their last game last week, Coach James Peters' local basketball boys brought to a close a very successful season, annexing 11 victories and losing only 4 out of the 15 games played. The locals starting the season with little experience in the tactics of the play, developed rapidly and score 355 points to 248 by their opponents during the season. They took the decisions from several strong teams, including those in Elizabeth City, Bethel, and Hertford. While teamwork featured the play during the season, high scoring honors went to Anderson.

The record for the season:

Williamston	Opponents	
20	Farm Life	15
26	Columbia	17
24	C. C. Camp	18
27	Elizabeth City	17
21	Hobgood	26
19	Elizabeth City	17
30	Windsor	24
37	Bethel	14
29	Hobgood	10
22	Hertford	15
27	Bethel	11
28	Hertford	6
20	Windsor	21
20	Jameville	9
15	Paw Creek	19
355	Totals	248

Operetta Presented at Bear Grass Last Friday

The primary grades of Bear Grass High School gave the operetta, "Goldilocks," at the high school last Friday night. The songs and dances were rendered with perfection before a capacity audience. Little Miss Hattie Ward took the leading role of Goldilocks; Javan Rogers, as the elf, was the leading male assistant. The operetta was coached by Misses Carrie Lee Roberson, Hilda Modlin, Frances House, Mary Ross Squires, Mildred Taylor, and Jessie Fay Green. The grammar grades will give the operetta, "Pandora," Thursday evening, March 29.—Reported.

Uncertain Fate for Proposal To Make Peanut Basic Crop

Although a bill has been passed in the Senate declaring the peanut a basic crop, the fate of the lowly goober remains uncertain. The inclusion of beef and dairy cattle in the bill and other forms of farm produce will, it is believed by many, overbalance the measure and result in the defeat of the peanut in its claim for recognition as a basic crop.

At the present time, the peanut is the only "open" major crop in this section, and it is believed if there are no restrictions thrown around its acreage this year there will be a "world" of peanuts grown in Eastern North Carolina

and the other producing sections this year.

The peanut, looked upon as a joke by many senators and congressmen from those states where the peanut is known only in connection with a circus or baseball game, is of major importance to this immediate section. Up to the time the price went to 1 cent a pound, the peanut crop more than offset the taxes and much of the farmer's current debt annually.

North Carolina representatives are clamoring for the rights of the peanut, and its fate will likely be determined within the next few days.

START WORK ON NEW UNDERPASS HERE THIS WEEK

Railroad and Bridge To Be Raised 22 Inches Higher Than At Present

Work on the construction on an overhead railroad bridge without a center support over the west end of Main Street was started here this morning. The crew of 10 men is placing dirt on the railroad bed preparatory to raising the track and bridge 22 inches. State Engineer Frank Hitch said this morning. The grading will cover a course of about 900 feet, and will be completed before actual work is started on the bridge.

Highway and train traffic will not be interrupted for any great length of time, Mr. Hitch explaining that the road might be closed for about an hour or two when construction of the steel bridge is started. The bridge will be similar to the one that is to be replaced.

About 20 men will be employed on the project when work gets fully under way, and it is estimated that construction work will continue for about two months.

The project calling for the widening of Main Street from the intersection of Watts Street to the top of the river hill has been delayed, it was learned here today. The contract bid was declared too high, it was said.

JURY LIST FOR APRIL TERM OF COURT DRAWN

Two Weeks Term Will Be For Trial of Civil Cases Only

Even before the March term of court is held, the county commissioners, handling their scheduled duties, selected a jury list for the two weeks term of Martin County superior court convening the third Monday in April for the trial of civil cases only. A calendar for the court has not yet been prepared, and the nature of the docket could not be learned. A special judge, probably Judge Clayton Moore, will preside.

Names of jurors are as follows:

- First Week**
- Jamestown Township: G. H. Mizelle, Jr., L. L. Knowles.
 - Griffins Township: S. E. Lilley and Ira F. Griffin.
 - Bear Grass Township: Wheeler Rogers.
 - Williamston Township: W. Harrell Everett, W. O. Griffin, and L. R. Nicholson.
 - Cross Roads Township: Lester Peel and D. A. Aushorn.
 - Robersonville Township: M. E. Everett, W. R. Powell, S. Jack Everett and Gaston E. Andrews.
 - Poplar Point Township: Fred Clark.
 - Hamilton Township: A. W. Salsbury and Earl E. Allgood.
 - Goose Nest Township: B. M. Worsley.
- Second Week**
- Jamestown Township: C. G. Gurkin.
 - Williams Township: P. E. Manning, W. W. Griffin and J. E. Moore.
 - Griffins Township: J. J. Manning.
 - Bear Grass Township: A. B. Rogers, P. D. Manning, and Arthur Peel.
 - Williamston Township: W. D. Ambers.
 - Cross Roads Township: H. J. Lotz.
 - Robersonville Township: H. A. Johnson, Jr., and J. C. Keel.
 - Poplar Point Township: Luther Taylor and C. L. Etheridge.
 - Hamilton Township: J. B. Everett, and R. A. Edmondson.
 - Goose Nest Township: E. L. Harrell and M. L. Roberson.

ROLL OF HONOR AT EVERETTS

Names of Twenty Students Are on List for Fifth Month

The names of twenty pupils appear on the Everett School honor roll for the fifth month, it was announced this week by Principal Russell, as follows:

- First grade: Alice Ruth Bailey and Rachel Edmondson.
- Second grade: Mary Lou Wynne, Clara Dail Taylor, Janie Margaret Ayers, Russell Mobley, Billy Clark.
- Third grade: William Donald, John Mobley, Jr., Irene Williams, Dillon Wynne.
- Fourth grade: Florine Clark; Mary Louise Mobley, Delia Leggett, Rosa Faye Mobley.
- Fifth grade: Susie Ayers and Grace Clark.
- Sixth grade: Sallie Mobley, Eunice Wynne and Burnice Roebuck.

Few County Taxpayers Have Executed Notes for Tax Liens

Thomas Dixon Will Speak at Kiwanis Luncheon Tomorrow

Thomas Dixon, noted author, playwright, and lecturer is to be the very special guest of the local Kiwanis Club at their luncheon hour here Wednesday at 12:30 o'clock, in the Woman's Club rooms.

This is considered an unusual opportunity for the Williamston club, so much so that it has been decided to give each member the privilege of inviting one guest, such member to pay for himself and his guest. In this way, it is believed that 80 Williamston people will have opportunity to hear

the author of "The Clansman," from which story Cecil B. DeMille made "The Birth of a Nation."

The Kiwanis Club feels that it has made a big scoop in getting Thomas Dixon for an hour, and would like to invite the whole community to hear him. However, it is believed by those in charge that this would be unfair to Mr. Dixon, who is lecturing on a pay basis, lectures having already been announced for Windsor on Wednesday night and Washington Thursday night.

REQUIRE LESS INTEREST AND CAN'T BE SOLD

Offer Decided Advantages To Those Who Owe Back Taxes

Offered an opportunity by the 1933 General Assembly to refund their back taxes by giving 6 per cent notes, very few of the Martin County property owners have taken advantage of the provisions advanced in the law, it was learned from the auditor's office this week. Those property owners who have not paid their taxes for 1928, 1929, 1930, and 1931 and who desire to refund them by giving notes and preventing sale some time not later than October 1, this year, must take action before the first of next month. After that date, the property owner will not be allowed, under the terms of the act, to be allowed to refund any back taxes, and the only step possible after that time to prevent foreclosures will be the payment of all back taxes in full.

The foreclosure of property for unpaid taxes is directed by law to follow not later than October 1, this year.

So far, five property owners have refunded their taxes in this county by giving five-year notes bearing 6 per cent interest, the principal being based on the par value of the tax accounts at the time they became due and payable. There are approximately 1,500 accounts representing an unpaid balance of about \$35,000 for the year 1931, the auditor stating that many of the accounts for 1928 and 1929 having been settled.

The only requirement in refunding taxes for years prior to 1932 is the issuance of a note bearing 6 per cent interest annually and payable within five years from April 1, 1934. Foreclosure proceedings will follow between April 1 and next October in those cases where the taxes are not refunded or the amounts are not paid. The law, apparently created to aid depressed property owners, has met with little success in this county so far. The authorities have done all they know how to do in aiding delinquent taxpayers, and if the property owners would aid themselves they must do so between now and the first of next month.

SNOW SATURDAY CWA DISMISSALS IS LARGEST HERE SINCE MARCH 1927

No Damage Is Reported in This County; Means Good Crop Year

This section had its first snow of any size in several years late last Friday night and early Saturday morning, the weather folks estimating it at six inches. The snow was one of the largest, if not the largest, since the 20-inch fall on March 2, 1927.

While a few people saw the flakes start falling shortly after 11 o'clock Friday night, the vast majority were surprised the next morning to find a white blanket covering the all outdoors and the flakes still falling. The earth was not very receptive for the snow, and much of it melted before a foothold was gained. And, too, rain that fell shortly after midnight Saturday, packed the snow and lessened the depth by an inch or two, no doubt. The last flakes fell about 10 o'clock Saturday morning.

There were threatening flurries early Saturday night and Sunday morning, but the sunshine and rising temperatures soon brought an end to what is believed by many and hoped by even more to be the last attacks of old man winter.

Traffic on the main highways was continued with little interference, and there was little resulting damage to property. With the exception of a spot here and there, the snow had disappeared yesterday.

Martin farmers are assured a good crop season this year if there is anything to the theory that good crops follow a heavy snow.

While the water supply continues below normal, it was greatly increased by recent rains and the snow, but small streams and wells are far from full, it is understood.

Two Drown in Adjoining County Result of Snow

Blinded by snow early last Saturday morning, Charlie Williams, colored, drove his car into a canal over in Edgecombe County and he and his son were drowned. Two other occupants of the car escaped with their lives.

Leaders' School To Be Held Here Thursday

All leaders in home demonstration clubs interested in better planned meals are urged to attend the leaders school, which will be conducted here Thursday in Miss Sleeper's office by Miss Mary E. Thomas, extension nutritionist. The subject under discussion at this time will be the use of dried fruits and vegetables. A good attendance is urged from each organized home demonstration club.

Special Services This Week at St. Martin's, Hamilton

Rev. E. F. Moseley is conducting special services in St. Martin's Episcopal church, Hamilton, each evening this week at 7:30 o'clock. Special music will feature the services, it was said.

However, Only Few of 340 Dropped Have Made Any Kicks

While the action has effected many hardships, only a few of the 340 men dropped from the CWA projects in this county have registered any vigorous complaints, it was learned from the office of J. W. Hines, employment director for this county, yesterday.

Many pitiful cases have been cited where the family heads were removed from the pay rolls with nothing to feed and clothe their children. Humbly a father of six children entered the employment bureau yesterday morning to present his plight before the authorities. He was not mad because he had been dismissed from the CWA service, he only asked those in the office what he could do to earn food and clothing for his family. To aggravate the already pitiful case, the man said he was the father of young twins and that he could not raise \$150, an amount required to buy milk each week for the newcomers.

Others have presented their cases, some more appealing than others, but all the employment authorities can do is sympathize with the needy and direct them to welfare headquarters. The relief office is running over with new demands, the authorities reporting many new cases, with more than 100 of them yet to be investigated. Those workers who have been on CWA projects apparently will have to shift for themselves, with probably a little aid reaching them from direct relief sources. No sizeable public works projects have been approved for this county, the brightest hope for relief centering around garden relief projects that are being planned on a large scale for this spring and summer.

There are only 215 men working on CWA projects in the county, and they will be dismissed by the latter part of this month.

443 Shares Building and Loan Stock Sold So Far

Interest continued to increase over the week-end in the 34th stock series of the Martin County Building and Loan Association here, the secretary reporting 443 shares sold to date with an encouraging outlook for the sale passing the 500-share mark.

In the issuance of the new series of stock, it is believed the building of new homes in the future has been made possible. In fact, the outlook for the association and a renewed building program for the community is brighter now than in several years.

Cotton Growers To Hold Meeting Here on April 7

Members of the North Carolina Cotton Growers Cooperative Association will hold a meeting for the selection of officers in the county court house the 7th of next month, it was announced this week by members of the cooperative.

Many Martin farmers joined the association last year, and interest in the organization has been greatly increased locally. Details of the meeting will be announced later.

Local Team Wins One and Loses One in State Meet

After winning its first game over Berry O'Kelley Training school 33 to 21, the local colored basketball five lost to the Henderson Institute in the second round of play in the State tournament held last week at Shaw University, Raleigh. The Henderson five won the State championship.

LEGION TO MEET HERE THURSDAY

Fifteenth Anniversary Will Be Celebrated; To Hear Radio Address

The fifteenth anniversary of the American Legion will be observed by members of the John Walton Hassell Post here Thursday night of this week at 8 o'clock, Commander Peel said this morning. In addition to a general get-together program, the members of the post will hear a radio address by the National Commander, Ed Hayes. All members are asked to be present. The bonus and the four-point bill will probably be discussed.

Fifteen years ago, March 16, 1919, in Paris, the American Legion was founded. It was organized by a band of faithful American soldiers who had come through the mighty conflict unharmed. It was dedicated to the memory of the brother in arms that had given the full measure of his devotion on Flanders' Fields. Its purpose was to place the strong arm of love and friendship around his needy widow and children and to be a big brother to comrades wounded in mind and body in the World War.

Juniors To Hold Meet Here Thursday Night

The regular meeting of the local council, Jr. O. U. A. M., will be held in the Legion hall here at 7:15 o'clock Thursday night, the advanced meeting hour being scheduled to avoid a conflict with the meeting of the American Legion at 8, it was announced by "Kingfish" Harrell this morning. All members are requested to be present.

Several More Days Before Seed Loans Are Available

With an unexpected delay resulting in the preparation of the blanks, it will be several more days before any emergency (seed and feed) loans can be advanced, it is believed. Arrangements for handling the loans have been completed and applications will be handled immediately upon receipt of blanks.