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## WELCOME TO WILLIAMSTON

### Tobacco Market Opens Here Next Thursday

#### COUNTY SCHOOLS LIKELY TO BE OPENED SEPT. 12

#### Increase in Enrollment Expected For Children in First Grade

Tentatively considering the opening of the county schools the 12th of next month, officials are busily engaged making final arrangements for the coming term. Faculties have been appointed in their entirety in several schools and others are nearing completion. One member is yet to be appointed in each of the Jamesville, Farm Life, Williamston, Everetts and Robersonville schools, according to information received yesterday.

Preliminary reports indicate a substantial increase can be expected in the number of children entered the first grade for the first time in several of the schools, the average increase for the county being estimated at about 10 per cent over enrollment figures of last term. Crop reductions are expected to effect an increase in enrollment, the lessened farm production making it possible for many children to attend school who otherwise would have to remain at home to assist in the harvesting and marketing preparations.

While the date for the opening rests with the county board of education and that body is not expected to determine the time for starting the term until a meeting is held the first Monday in September, it is pointed out that by opening on the 12th the schools can complete four months or one-half the term before Christmas.

#### MANY THRILLS TO BE AT FAIR

#### Ten Racing Cars Secured To Furnish Sensations During Fair Week

The greater Roanoke fair, sponsored by the Eastern Carolina Chamber of Commerce, will not lack for thrills, according to a statement by Secretary N. G. Bartlett this week. A contract has been signed with a speedway association for automobile races to be staged on the fair grounds here Friday, November 2nd. The contract calls for a minimum of ten racing cars and from all indications, according to the management, there will be sensations from start to finish. Eastern Carolina visitors to the fair will have an opportunity of seeing the fastest automobile drivers in the county in action. The track is to be put in splendid condition.

Indications are that all of the fairs being sponsored by the sectional organization will be up to the standard set by the fairs in the past years.

#### Native of Martin County Dies At Scotland Neck

Ernest Leggett, prominent farmer of Scotland Neck, died in a Rocky Mount hospital last Tuesday where he had gone for treatment.

A native of this county, Mr. Leggett moved to Halifax county about 15 years ago. He is survived by his widow and three children.

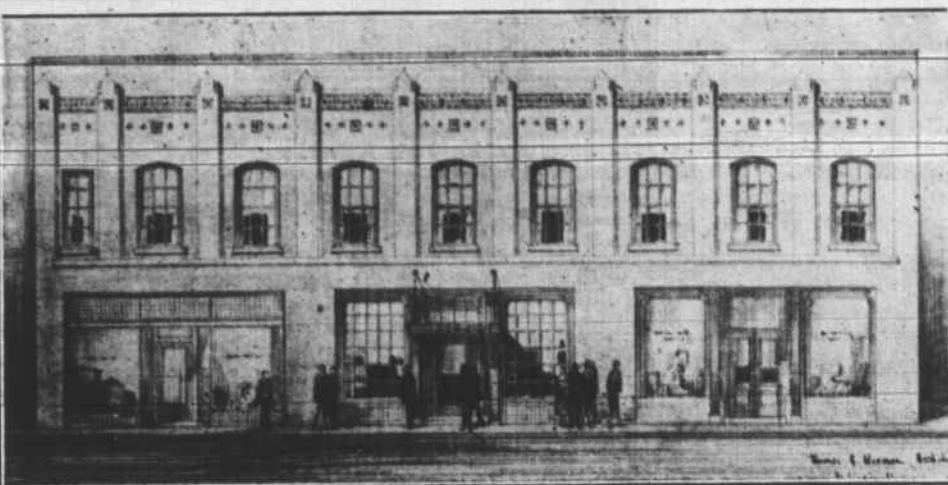
Mr. Leggett was a son of Mrs. Leggett and the late J. M. Leggett, of Scotland Neck, and was a member of the Episcopal Church. He leaves his widow, Mrs. Helen Hilliard Leggett, two sons, Ernest, 13, Wilson, 8; his 82-year-old mother, of Scotland Neck; nine sisters, Mrs. Walter White, of Edenton; Mrs. Clarence Smith, of Dunn; Mrs. P. J. Rawls, of Lexington; Misses Virginia, Maude, Lucille Leggett, of Virginia Beach; Miss Verma Leggett, of Norfolk; Mrs. W. H. Kitchin, Miss Lizzie Leggett, of Scotland Neck and one brother, Durwood Leggett, of Tarboro.

Mr. Leggett had been ill for several weeks and underwent an operation in the hospital last Saturday. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday afternoon.

#### County Officers Made Raid On Liquor Still

County officers raided a liquor still in Poplar Point Township last Wednesday afternoon, but captured very little equipment. The owner of the plant had moved the kettle, leaving a small cap and worm.

#### ARCHITECT'S DRAWING OF WILLIAMSTON'S NEW HOTEL



One of this community's greatest needs is being fulfilled in the addition to and modernization of the Grace Hotel on Main and Smithwick streets here. The new hotel to be known as Hotel George, will make available 30 rooms with all modern conveniences. The hotel project, costing approximately \$18,000, will be completed within the next few weeks.

#### Who's Who on Market

Recognized as having one of the best sales organizations in its history, the Williamston tobacco market announces with much pleasure the following personnel line-up:

##### FARMERS WAREHOUSE

Barnhill, Ingram & Phaup, Proprietors.  
W. R. Ingram and Chas. H. Phaup, Sales Managers.  
Office Manager: H. L. Barnhill.  
Auctioneers: Dick Thompson and John Adams.  
Weighmasters: F. W. Sparrow, Jr., L. A. Clark, C. B. Riddick.  
Floor Managers: Jno. Gurkin, Joe Martin, L. J. Davenport, W. M. Gardner, Vasco Perry.  
Night Watchman: Herbert Cullipher.

##### PLANTERS (BRICK) WAREHOUSE

Cozart, Foxworth & Langley, Proprietors.  
Jeff Cozart, Carlyle Langley and A. M. Perry, Sales Managers.  
W. C. Hudson, Assistant Sales Manager.  
Auctioneer: Alton Rodgers.  
Floor Managers: W. A. James, Roy Everett, "Bill" Keel.  
Weighmasters: Whit-Davis, Robert Mizzell.

##### ROANOK-DIXIE WAREHOUSE

S. Claud Griffin and Jimmy B. Taylor, Proprietors.  
S. Claud Griffin, Jimmy B. Taylor and Jule T. James, Sales Managers.  
Auctioneer: Jake Taylor.  
Office: N. K. Harrison and Miss Pearl Griffin.  
Floor Managers: Robert Edwards and Robert Shields.  
Weighmasters: Carl Bailey, Reddick Shields, Luther Peel.  
Night Watchman: Dewey Perry.

#### FIRST SHIPMENT COTTON CROP IS WESTERN CATTLE REPORTED 77 PER CENT TO REACH HERE

#### Eight Carloads Delivered To Pasture Lands In Large Trucks

Martin County's first shipment of western cattle—276—were unloaded in Jamesville Wednesday morning for location on pasture lands in Griffins and Jamesville townships. The cattle, while said to be very poor, were in fair condition.

The eight carloads of the animals were delivered to the pasture lands by large trucks, the handlers experiencing very little trouble in transporting the cattle. Many more cattle were scheduled for delivery this week, but they were held over in Raleigh for inspection, it is understood. Additional shipments are expected from time to time.

More than 2,000 of the western cattle have been located in Washington County, authorities reporting recently that more than 100 of them had died since their arrival there. No cause for the deaths was assigned, but it is believed the cattle, almost starved, ate too much soon after they were pastured.

#### Seek Historical Information Pertaining To Early County Schools

The Enterprise is now planning a series of articles on the educational systems of this county with the aim to review the school history from an early date up to the present. Much valuable and interesting information has been gathered here and there, but in several periods the facts are few, making it necessary for

#### FARMERS APPLY NEXT WEEK FOR COTTON QUOTAS

#### Committeemen To Receive Applications For Tax Free Certificates

The approximately 1,400 cotton growers in this county will be directed to apply to their respective cotton community committeemen next week for cotton marketing allotments. It was learned from the office of County Agent T. B. Brandon here yesterday afternoon. Every cotton grower wishing to escape the marketing tax will find it necessary to apply for the tax exemption certificates. Only five days have been allowed to complete the work, beginning next Monday and continuing until Saturday, the 25th. The committeemen will be at designated places on each of the days from 9 a. m. until 5 o'clock in the afternoon.

Farmers who have signed contracts should remember that they are required to apply for marketing allotments, that the allotment, provided under the Bankhead cotton act, is separate and distinct from the original contract.

Committeemen, whose names are listed below, will be at the following places next week:

- Hamilton—L. R. Everett and W. E. Everett.
- Goose Nest—B. M. Worsley.
- Cross Roads—J. S. Ayers.
- Robersonville—J. T. Taylor and A. R. Osborne.
- Williams—Joshua L. Coltrain.
- Griffins—James L. Coltrain.
- Jamesville—F. C. Stallings and E. H. Ange.

Mr. Walter Halberstadt will handle applications from farmers in Bear Grass, Poplar Point and Williamston Townships at the county courthouse during the week.

#### HOME OWNERS RECEIVE LOANS

#### Martin County Citizens Advanced \$37,374.37; 100 Applications

Fourteen loans amounting to \$37,374.37 have been advanced to Martin County citizens by the Home Owners Loan Corporation so far. More than 100 applications are now pending before the corporation from home owners in this county, but when they will be completed no one knows.

The largest loan advanced so far in this county was for \$9,000. The loans have been distributed in five communities as follows: Robersonville, \$22,419.63; Williamston, \$9,244.82; Jamesville, \$3,783.05; Everetts, \$1,476.87 and Gold Point, \$450.

#### THREE BIG WAREHOUSES MANNED BY CAPABLE MEN ARE READY FOR BANNER SEASON HERE THIS YEAR

#### FARMERS SUPPLY COMPANY'S NEW HOME



Recently completed at a cost of about \$10,000, this store is in keeping with a building and modernization program that Williamston is now experiencing. The store is located on Washington Street, near the warehouses.

#### Sales Supervisor Says Eyes Of Tobacco World To Be On Local Market This Season

#### SALES SUPERVISOR



Mr. R. W. McFarland, instrumental in the growth of several tobacco markets during the past few years, will supervise the sales on the Williamston market this season. He is at the service of farmers and invites them here.

#### PERSONNEL OF TOBACCO FIRMS STRONGEST EVER

#### McFarland Presents Brief Review of Line-Up Here This Season

By Robert Wilson McFarland, Supervisor of Sales

The eyes of the entire tobacco world is now turned to Williamston, the little tobacco city in Eastern North Carolina, situated upon the historic Roanoke River. Williamston may well be called the Wonder City of the Carolinas, for it went through the world wide depression without a single vacant store. So much for its live and energetic people. With the influx of "new blood" this season into its warehouse concern and the probability of good prices for every product of the farm, every merchant, business and professional man here is "pulling hard" for Williamston's tobacco market, and when these people set their heads to do a thing, they get it.

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#### BIG CROWDS ARE LOOKED FOR ON OPENING SALES

#### Local Market Regarded As Presenting Best Force In Its History

Williamston and Eastern North Carolina will come into their own next Thursday when the eyes of thousands of farmers turn anxiously to the opening of the tobacco markets and the prices offered. The season at hand offers brighter hopes, giving encouragement to persons in all walks of life. All other events will be overshadowed that day when farmers start reaping their reward for the many earnest and tiring efforts put forth during the past months, and all of Eastern Carolina will watch with minute care the marking on warehouse tags.

The opening next Thursday will find Williamston, without a doubt in the world, better prepared than ever before to handle the golden leaf to the marked advantage of the growers. With the coming here of new, professional men in the possibilities of the local market, and no doubt, a firm foundation will be laid this season for one of the outstanding markets in the bright belt.

Every arrangement has been made for the advantageous handling of the crop here this season, and present indications are very encouraging for both the farmer and the market. The warehousemen, their employees, the merchants of the town, and, in fact, everyone here bids welcome to all who will come to Williamston this year and next and the years to come. In specially prepared messages appearing in this paper, Williamston's warehousemen and business firms direct a personal and appealing invitation to everyone to make this town their marketing and trading center, that a mutual advantage might follow and one that will continue the year through and year in and year out.

Williamston's warehousemen will have in their employ an efficient group of floor managers, auctioneers and office men. Personal attention will be given every detail, and in each of the three large warehouses the proprietors will lead the sales and do everything in their power for their patrons' benefit.

While many farmers are making preparations to market some of their crop on opening day they will offer small quantities leading to indications that a comparatively light break will prevail throughout the belt. However, thousands of people are expected to visit Williamston to observe the sales first hand for themselves. Make your arrangements to come to Williamston with the many others, and watch a live tobacco market in action.

#### Martin Young Men Curing Tobacco for Canada Farmer

Years ago people from the North came South to teach the people in tobacco culture and curing. Now the people of the South are going north to teach the people of Canada the art. Several Martin County young men are in the Dominion curing tobacco for the farmers there at the present time.

Reports from one of the young men, Onward Gaylord, of Jamesville, indicate the farmers there have their ups and downs as well as do the farmers in this section. A severe hail storm was reported near where he is located recently, stripping about 500 acres of tobacco from top to bottom. The curing season there will continue several weeks, it is understood.

#### Where the Credit Is Due

Williamston merchants, who have special messages in this enlarged edition of the Enterprise that goes into nearly 3,000 homes in this section, extend a cordial welcome to everyone to visit them where a hearty welcome always awaits visitors.

Each one of the advertisements represents a firm that has played and is playing a prominent part in the advancement of this town, community and section. They represent the leaders in business and progress.

It is upon firms of their sort that a community may place confidence. They are the servers and builders; they are interested in the well-being and up-building of their respective communities and their section.

They are NOT of the sort content to rest their fortunes upon the toil and cooperation of others; trailing behind the procession or drifting easily with the tide of things.

These merchants do things. They serve you. They keep abreast of times. They push ahead and carry the whole community forward with them. They deserve your patronage and confidence. For them we urge your consideration in all your dealings in the lines followed by them.

All contributions will be treated confidentially or recognized at the direction of the contributor. Letters, records or other manuscripts will be carefully preserved and returned to the owners when the owner requests that material be returned.

recalled from a conversation years ago bearing on the early history of our schools or the county. There is very little recorded history on Martin County and its schools, but what we do have should be preserved. The advancement of Martin County, its educational systems and other community progress might have

the paper to call upon those acquainted with any part of the history of Martin County schools to prepare a narrative of any facts they possess. Every good citizen should take pride in giving any information in connection with the proposed review. Some interesting fact might be found in an old letter or

live to tell it, so write the facts now.