



## SIX CASES TRIED IN COUNTY COURT LAST TUESDAY

### Uneventful Session Is Held By Judge Peel; Several Fines Are Levied

With a continuance ordered in the case charging Mrs. Rosemon Owens, white woman, and Earl Simmons, colored, with indecent exposure, the last Tuesday session of the county recorder's court proved not at all exciting. Only one-half dozen cases were handled, the court continuing the Owens-Simmons case until Wednesday morning and carrying several others over until next Tuesday.

Eugene Corey, charged with bastardy, was found guilty over his plea of innocence and was ordered to pay the cost of the case, \$10 to a midwife and \$5 monthly for the support of the child for the next six months. At the end of that time he is to report to the court for further orders.

Charged with cruelty to animals, T. W. Holliday pleaded not guilty. The court adjudged him guilty and suspended judgment upon the payment of \$25 and costs.

Adjudged guilty of the removal and defacement of a landmark, Jesse Keel appealed when the court suspended judgment upon the condition that he pay the costs of the case. Bond was required in the sum of \$25.

The case charging George Andrews with disorderly conduct was not prosed.

Charged with an assault with a deadly weapon, Gus Purvis pleaded guilty to a simple assault charge. He was sentenced to the roads for 30 days and required to pay the costs, the road sentence to begin at the direction of the court.

William Keys was sentenced to the roads for 30 days for an alleged assault with a deadly weapon, the sentence to begin at the direction of the court. Keys was ordered to pay the costs.

## Freddie Edmonds Signs as Member Of Pitching Staff

### Plans Are Going Forward Rapidly for First Game Here on June 4th

Freddie Edmonds, of Norfolk, signed as a member of the Martins' pitching staff this week. Manager Spivey said today. Edmonds played with Elizabeth City last season, and his addition to the club advances the local pitching staff up and probably above par for the league as a whole. The recently signed player reports for duty Monday week.

Arrangements are going forward rapidly for the opening game with Tarboro here Tuesday week. Manager Spivey stated today that the club's bus, a used Mack purchased from a Richmond firm, would be delivered here tomorrow or Monday.

The complete line-up to date is as follows:

Catchers: Henry House and Ralph Gillespie.

First base: Troy Goodman and Eli Marion (Sammy) Taylor.

Second base: Aubrey Marable.

Shortstop: Claude Corbit.

Third base: Herbert Leary.

Field: Cecil Brake, Wm. Bruce Gaylord, Bill Scott, Tom Morris.

Pitchers: Hubert Gardner, Dick Cherry, the only left-hander on the staff, John Gaddy, Tom Morris, H. V. Whitney, Jr., Howard Embke's protegee, and Freddie Edmonds.

## Summer Vacation Bible Schools Are Now Being Held

John Whitley, a Seminary Student Is Assisting In Vacation Activities

The Presbyterian program of summer Daily Vacation Bible School got under way last Wednesday morning in the Poplar Point Mission. This school is being conducted by Mrs. Clinton House of Robersonville, Mrs. William Everette, Mr. John Whitley, and Z. T. Piephoff. Boys and girls from 4 to 14 are attending this school. All the children of the Poplar Point community are invited. The school begins at 9 a.m. and closes at 11:30 a.m.

## Lest We Forget



### IN FLANDERS' FIELDS

In Flanders' fields, the poppies blow  
Between the crosses, row on row,  
That mark our place; and in the sky  
The larks still bravely singing fly,  
Scarce heard amidst the guns below.  
We are the dead. Short days ago  
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,  
Loved and were loved, and now we lie  
In Flanders' fields.  
Take up our quarrel with the foe!  
To you from failing hands we throw  
The torch—you be yours to hold it high;  
If ye break faith with us who die,  
We shall not sleep though poppies grow  
In Flanders' fields.

Especially arranged for tomorrow throughout the State, the sale of little red poppies will be handled in this county by members of the Legion Auxiliary and a ready patronage is expected in Robersonville and Williamston for the little flower that is to be worn in memory of the dead and for the benefit of the living.

## C. T. Roberson Dies At Home in Griffins

### MEMBER ONE OF OLDEST FAMILIES OF THIS SECTION

#### Funeral Service at the Late Home This Afternoon At 3 O'clock

Chas. T. Roberson, well known Griffins Township citizen and a member of one of the oldest families in this section, died at his home in the Farm Life community, near here, yesterday morning at 7:30 o'clock. Pneumonia was the immediate cause of his death which followed within two days after he was taken ill. He was able to be out Tuesday afternoon in handling business matters. For some time, however, he had experienced declining health, and had suffered several pneumonia attacks during the past year or two. His condition became critical Wednesday and death was expected.

## Arrest 3 Negroes For Theft of Meat

Raleigh Daniel, Henry Davis and Hezekiah Price, all colored, were arrested by Sheriff C. B. Roebuck and Deputy Joe H. Roebuck and jailed here this week for the alleged theft of a quantity of meat from Isabella Bennett, colored woman, living near Hamilton. Five hams and about 75 pounds of side meat were stolen, the officers recovering two pieces of side meat and two hams found hidden in the woods back of Daniel's home. Another arrest is expected shortly in connection with the alleged theft, it was learned.

## A. G. Small Is Hurt In Auto Accident

Mr. A. G. Small, cashier of the Guaranty Bank and Trust Company is recovering at his home in Raleigh from injuries sustained in an automobile accident near Raleigh last Saturday. He is expected to return to his duties in the local bank next Monday, it was learned today.

## One Preaching Service at Methodist Church Sunday

Only one preaching service will be held in the Methodist church Sunday. The congregation is invited to attend the commencement sermon in the high school that morning. At 8 o'clock in the evening a regular service will be held in the church. Sunday school will convene at the usual hour, 9:45.

## 47 CIVIL ACTIONS SET FOR TRIAL AT SPECIAL COURT

### Convenes June 10 With Judge Moore Presiding; Civil Cases Only

Forty-seven civil cases were placed on the calendar this week for trial at the special term of Martin County Superior court convening June 10. Presided over by Judge Clayton Moore, the court will handle nothing but civil actions, leaving the regular term convening the following week to handle criminal cases and probably a few civil actions.

Scheduled for trial the first day of court is the \$25,000 damage suit brought by Frank Pittman against John Downing, Pittman, employee of the Virginia Electric and Power Company in the Williamston division, was critically and permanently injured when the car in which he was riding with the defendant crashed into another machine near Edenton last summer. There are a few other cases of interest, but no large crowds are expected during the week.

Cases on the docket: Monday, June 10th: Pittman vs. Downing; Everett vs. Higdon; Fertilizer Company vs. Moore; Fertilizer Company vs. Skinner; Fertilizer Company vs. Gaitley; Slade, Rhodes and Company vs. Gurganus; Duggin vs. Council; Fertilizer Company vs. Lockaway; Fertilizer Company vs. Hardy.

Tuesday, June 11th: Taylor vs. Coburn; Bailey vs. Bank; Perry vs. Harrison; Rogers vs. Bailey; Riddick vs. Peel, Trustee; Bowen vs. Mizelle; Hadley vs. Rogers; Everett vs. Jones; Ross vs. Ross.

Wednesday, June 12th: Little vs. Norman and Green; Bullock vs. Bullock; Fertilizer Company vs. Waters et al; Roebuck vs. Life Insurance Company; Bailey vs. Barnhill; Fertilizer Company vs. Warren; Ruffin vs. Warren; Fertilizer Company vs. Hardee; Rolox vs. Norman; Cherry vs. Norris; Ange vs. Ange.

Thursday, June 13th: Hyman vs. Savage; Hoberson vs. Smith; Administrator; Arrington vs. Smith; Administrator; Minton vs. Lumber Company; Casket Company vs. Biggs; Grimes vs. Biggs; Fertilizer Company vs. Wharton; Hargrove vs. Bachelor; Harris vs. Wilkins; Raynor vs. Green; Worsley vs. Green.

Friday, June 14th: Roebuck vs. Land Bank; James vs. Land Bank; Land Bank vs. James; Land Bank vs. James; Moye vs. Land Bank; Hines Estate vs. Hines; Gardner vs. Coca-Cola Co.

## Car Is Stolen Here Early Last Night

The Ford V-8 belonging to Mr. K. P. Lindsley was stolen from in front of his home on Houghton street here last evening shortly after 7 o'clock. Mrs. Lindsley had just parked the car there a few minutes before and was planning to use it again when she saw the man drive the car away. Officers were on the trail within 10 minutes, but after following the rogue as far as Everetts Patrolman Hunt was turned back by rain and slippery roads. Nothing had been heard from the machine at noon today. No insurance was carried on the machine, it is understood.

## One Preaching Service at Christian Church Sunday

The Sunday school will convene at the usual hour, 9:45 a.m. and will close in ample time for all those wishing to attend the commencement sermon in the high school auditorium at 11 o'clock. Many of the members are expected to attend from this church.

## Red Clover Crop Best In Years in Lincoln County

Red clover being grown for hay in Lincoln County appears to be the best that has been produced in the county for some years, report the growers.

## START PAVING

The J. G. Clark Company will start paving Smithwick Street from Main to the railroad here next Monday, Mr. Jim Clark, who is here making arrangements for handling the project, said yesterday. The paving, including curbs, will measure 24 feet in width, making necessary the removal of one tree and that one is right on the corner next to the Critcher law office.

Town forces are connecting outlets to the sewer and water lines today preparatory to the actual street paving.

## County Board Again Orders Liquor Election on July 6th

### Senate Sustains President's Bonus Veto By a Margin of Nine Votes Yesterday

Immediate payment of the soldiers' bonus was defeated yesterday when the United States Senate sustained by nine votes the President's veto. The house passed the measure over the veto Wednesday afternoon just after President Roosevelt explicitly explained the problem. Many of the North Carolina representatives voted to over-ride the veto, and Senators Bailey and Reynolds from this State divided on the matter. Several senators are said to be considering the introduction of bills in an effort to revive the issue. However, it is generally believed that the bonus payment is at least 12 months off, and there is a possibility the soldiers will not get their money until the bonus is due in 1945.

## Local Schools Close Term Next Tuesday

### FULL SCHEDULE OF FINAL EVENTS TO BE PRESENTED

#### Seniors To Hold Class-Day Program Tonight, Sermon Sunday Morning

Exercises, marking the close of the Williamston schools, get underway this evening when the seniors hold their class day exercises in the high school auditorium at 8 o'clock. The next event on the closing exercises proper will be the commencement sermon by Rev. C. H. Dickey, pastor of the local Baptist church, Sunday morning at the 11 o'clock hour in the high school auditorium. The address of Dr. D. B. Bryan, dean of Wake Forest College, and the awarding of certificates to the seventh grade graduates and diplomas to the high school graduates will feature the finals program next Tuesday evening.

The class-day exercises this evening will be patterned after a legislative scene with J. D. Bowen, class president, presiding. The valedictory address will be delivered by Grace Manning, and Alta Critcher will deliver the salutatory address. A "Daisy chain" will feature the exercises again this year.

Special feature of the commencement sermon program Sunday morning will be the appearance of the local choral club. The program for the Sunday morning event is as follows: Prayers for seniors by choral club; invocation; Hymn, 274; Scripture reading; prayer; Hymn, 184; sermon; announcements; offering with the choral club singing, and benediction.

Recognized as an able leader and orator, Dr. D. B. Bryan is expected to attract one of the largest audiences next Tuesday evening to attend a final commencement program here in years. His Subject has not been announced. Principal D. N. Hix will award certificates to around 65 pupils completing work in the seventh grade and the more than 20 high school graduates will receive their diplomas. Winners of special awards offered annually will be announced that evening.

## Legion Post Raises \$27 Net from Play

Carrying the play, "Oh, Professor," before four audiences in this county last week and the first two days of this week, the John Walton Hassell American Legion post made a net profit of \$27, it was learned from Commander H. L. Swain.

Comparatively small audiences witnessed the play at all four places with the exception of Oak City where a goodly number attended the event.

## Pleas of Guilty Are Entered in Indecent Exposure Cases

Colored Man Given Two-Year Suspended Sentence, Woman Is Paroled

Going before Judge Herbert O. Peel in a special session of the county court Wednesday morning, Earl Simmons, young colored man, and Rosemon Owens, white woman, entered pleas of guilty in the case charging them with indecent exposure. No evidence was offered at the hearing, and the court was in session only a few minutes.

## Large Number at Masonic Meeting Here This Week

Emporia Masons Visitors at Meeting and Handle Degree Work

One of the largest attended meetings in recent years was held at Skeawakee Lodge of Masons here last Tuesday night, when members of the third degree team from Emporia, Va., were special guests of the local Masons and conferred the third degree. Prior to the ceremony at the lodge hall, the visiting team was entertained at the George Reynolds Hotel with a steak supper.

In addition to the 15 members of the Emporia lodge, a large delegation from Stonewall Lodge at Robersonville was present, besides about a dozen other visitors from various lodges in this State and Virginia. The lodge room was crowded and the meeting was thoroughly enjoyed. After the work, short addresses were made by Judge Clayton Moore and several of the visitors.

Simmons was sentenced to the roads for a period of two years, the sentence to begin at the direction of the court within the next two years. He was directed to pay the cost of the action. It was intimated that Simmons was planning to leave the state immediately.

The other defendant was paroled in the custody of her father, a Washington County citizen, with the provision that he enter her in the North Carolina Farm Colony, or some similar institution, within the next 60 days. He is to report to the court his action in the matter at the end of that time or present the defendant.

## LEADERS OF DRYS ARE PRESENT TO PROTEST ACTION

### Arrangements For Setting Up Election Machinery Made Immediately

Meeting in special session for the second time this month the Martin Commissioners this morning unanimously legalized their action of Wednesday a week ago when they called a special election to be held on July 6 for the people to vote on the question whether or not this county should be exempted from the provisions of the Turlington Act. Arrangements were immediately started to set up the election machinery, and the registration books will probably be opened about the middle of next month.

The action of the board this morning followed an hour of open discussion, the drys, led by Mrs. V. A. Ward, of Robersonville, directing urgent pleas to the commissioners in behalf of their cause. While there was some opposition to carrying the question to an election, the drys pleaded mostly for postponement of action to await developments by State officials. The discussion in the meeting was aside from the question at times, all the participants agreeing that liquor was bad but warmly disagreeing as to the best policy to follow in handling it.

Delayed action on the part of the Board of Commissioners in calling an election was cited by the local authorities, but the Martin commissioners still maintained it was a question for the people to decide at the polls. Commissioner Taylor stated that the election could be held, and if the wets win, which they are overwhelmingly expected to do, the matter of opening liquor stores could be delayed by the commissioners pending any developments at Raleigh. It was pointed out that the commissioners will continue to have the situation in their own hands until a liquor board is named.

Mr. Taylor intimated that he would be willing and would delay naming a liquor board until such a time that action could be definitely taken. However, he said that the election must be held within 60 days, and that he favored referring the matter to the people for decision.

Advancing the revenue feature, K. B. Crawford speaking for the wets, stated that there were 40 places in Williamston where liquor could be purchased, that there should be something done about this situation to get some money out of liquor. C. H. Godwin mentioned the democratic feature of referring the matter to the people for decision.

There were not very many people—about 18—at the meeting and the drys held the floor most of the time. While the discussion carried much interest at times, it never reached an exciting or argumentative stage.

The motion to call an election by Commissioner V. G. Taylor was seconded by Commissioner C. C. Fleming, the board passing it unanimously.

It is understood that the registration books will be opened for two Saturdays for new names and on a third Saturday the books will be opened for a challenge of any electors. No new or special registration will be necessary, it was ruled. At one time it was thought a special registration would be necessary and that July 6 would be the earliest date for voting.