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TENANTS RIGHTS ARE PLAINLY SET OUT IN CONTRACT

Some Farmers Said To Be Violating Terms of Agreement

The old problem of tenant farming becomes more puzzling and complicated as the seasons pass, and while the tenant has fared better at times than the land owner for no fault of the landowner, he continues to hold about the same status as an unwanted hound dog. Reports from this and other counties indicate that landowners, in some instances, are attempting to work new wrinkles this year. Realizing that they must maintain the same number of tenants, some farmers are scaling down the acreage allotment for their tenants and adding to their own acreage. Contract rulings definitely specify that the tenant is to receive his proportional acreage allotment, that in cases of reduction or increase he is to share only his equal part.

Some other farmers are cancelling their tenant agreements and those who have farmed on halves or a similar agreement are now working by the day at fixed wages. In this way the land owner does not reduce the number of workers, but at the same time he violates his contract, the farm agent said. Each sharecropper in the past must be granted a sufficient amount of tobacco acreage so that he continues to be a "tobacco tenant" in fact.

Following are a few rulings that landowners will find advisable to observe, for violation will mean the forfeiting of contracts.

"Under the tobacco contract and administrative rulings, the landlord and the cash tenant may make such agreement as they wish with respect to division of the rental payment. The rental payment may be delivered to the landlord as payment of part of the rent. (See Administrative Ruling No. 19 in Form T-77).

"An owner whose farm was operated with share-tenants in 1934, will not violate the terms of his contract by renting the farm for cash rent for 1935, provided the person to whom the farm is rented does not reduce the number of share-tenants on the farm below the number in 1933 because of provisions of the tobacco contract.

"An owner who produces tobacco with hired labor instead of share-tenants or share-croppers will violate the terms of his contract if he reduces the number of tobacco share-tenants

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Program Here Last Tuesday Afternoon Drew Large Crowd

Nearly 2,000 People Attend Opening of Baseball Season Here

The opening of the baseball season in the Coastal Plain league here last Tuesday afternoon was described as very, very successful by club officials. Between 1,800 and 2,000 people were here for the game, the largest number to ever attend a sporting event in this section. Gate receipts amount to about \$340, more than 300 people gaining admittance from tickets sold last year when a Ford was given away.

A parade formed promptly at 3 o'clock with the High School band leading. Others in the parade were club officials, Mayors J. L. Hassell, of Williamston, and C. M. Hurst, of Robersonville, and the two teams in their private conveyances. Making a few brief remarks welcoming the visitors, Mayor Hassell explained that the Martins had conquered the provinces across the Roanoke and had turned to conquer new territory. Pitching the first ball, Mayor Hassell showed too much vigor and the ball went sailing over Mayor Hurst's head, but he caught it on the rebound. The game was started immediately thereafter.

Yesterday approximately 1,100 fans saw the game, the gate proceeds amounting to around \$245.

Sanitary Grocery Holding Its First Anniversary Sale

Completing its first year in the grocery business, Messrs. Dallas Frank and "Frosty" Martin are observing their first business anniversary at the Sanitary Grocery with a big sale beginning tomorrow and continuing one week.

Unusual bargains are being offered by the grocery, and special invitations are extended the public to visit the store. Numerous items are listed in a page advertisement carried in this paper.

Local Band Gets Invitation To Take Part In Festival at Rocky Mount on June 20th

Williamston's High School band was signally honored this week when it received an invitation to present a 30-minute program at the Gallopade Association festival in Rocky Mount the 20th of this month. Rocky Mount's air port will be dedicated that day and thousands are expected to take part in the event of the day, including a big parade and concert.

In extending the invitation, C. L. McCollers, chairman of the program committee, said: "We wish to arrange for the Williamston Band to render a thirty-minute program of varied music as we consider yours one of the State's finest young bands."

Wilks E. Bobbitt, the able director who has taken a great personal interest in the advancement of the local boys and one girl, Miss Cooke, in the band, says they plan to take part in the Rocky Mount program.

HAIL STORM

Considerable damage was done to crops in general and tobacco particularly in this county last Wednesday afternoon by hail. The damage, however, was limited to small centers, it is understood.

Tobacco crops just to the edge of Williamston on the south were damaged considerably. Farmer Herbert Cowen reports his tobacco was damaged to the extent of about 50 per cent, and the crop on the Wilson place on the Jamesville road was damaged even worse, it was reported. Some damage was done to crops in Bear Grass and other parts of Williamston township, but the tobacco was not far enough advanced for the small stones to ruin it.

2 MEN ARRESTED FOR ROBBERY IN ROBERSONVILLE

Officers Roebuck and Gray Recover Part of Goods Stolen Last Week

Robberies handled on a large scale in Robersonville last week when Carson's five-cent store and D. A. James' mercantile establishment were entered and several hundred dollars worth of goods were carried away were reported partially solved by Sheriff C. B. Roebuck and Chief of Police Wm. Gray today, the officers stating that at least one more and probably two arrests could be expected in connection with the case within the next few hours.

Clinton Ayers, 20 years old, and J. F. Jackson, 18 years of age, were arrested this week and they are said to have admitted entering the James store. Only a part of the goods have been recovered however. Searching for the remainder of the goods stolen from the Carson and James stores, the officers yesterday found goods in a woods back of Raleigh Terry's home, near Robersonville, that are believed to have been stolen from some other merchant. The officers learned that the goods belonged neither to Carson or James. The goods found in an old worn-out heater back of the Terry home included a clock, two pairs of shoes, two caps, a pair of trousers and two boxes of gun shells.

One Case Infantile Paralysis Reported In County In May

Few Cases of Measles and Whooping Cough Are Reported

The county health report for May shows that whooping cough and measles continue to hang on here and there, but in a small way only. During the period there were three cases of whooping cough, one each in Robersonville, Williamston and Jamesville. The four measles cases were among the colored population in Williamston. Probably the most startling feature to the report was a lone case of infantile paralysis in the Hassell section of this county. One or two rumors indicating that there was another case of the paralysis were declared unfounded by practicing doctors this week.

Ford Sales Largest In This State for First Five Months

Having taken the lead in February, Fords remained at the head of the procession of 1935-model automobiles purchased in North Carolina during May, according to the new car registrations at the State Motor Vehicle bureau.

The total number of new passenger cars registered in May was 4,447, as compared to 6,482 in April and 3,835 in May of 1934. For the year today, 22,989 new private cars have been registered, as compared with 15,389 for the first five months of 1934.

MARTINS HAVE WON 2 OUT OF FIRST 3 STARTS

Activities Clearly Indicate Martins Is Ranking Team in League

With the first week of play drawing to a close, the Williamston Martins are holding their own among the ranks in the Coastal Plain League. The Martins dropped one of those hard-luck games yesterday when the boys bubbled over with errors, and the Greenville nine directed an attack totaling 12 hits, several of which were for extra bases, to win 9 to 3. The first loss came after Tarboro had been defeated here in the opening game 6 to 5, and a second drubbing in Tarboro Wednesday by an 11 to 2 score. The Tarboro team fell before the heavy batting attacks of the locals, and the Edgecombe players were helpless before John Gaddy who pitched 4-hit ball, the best record so far mentioned in the league this season. Tarboro used three pitchers, the Martins finding them all easy.

House led with the stick for the day, making three hits, one of which counted for four bases. Taylor and Gaylord were next with two each, one of Taylor's going for four bases.

Yesterday the Martins did not do as bad as the 9 to 3 count would indicate. They got eight hits, one a home run by Goodman, four two-baggers, Leary making two of them. The visitors made 12 hits for a total of 19 bases. Williamston's 8 hits counting for 16 bases. Sullivan, Greenville's right fielder, robbed the show in the field and held down the number of what ordinarily could be recognized as hits. Cherry started on the mound for the locals but turned the heavy duty over to Gardner in the 7th after five runs had been scored. Slim retired the side and struck out three men in the eighth but in the ninth he allowed three hits which coupled with three errors grossed the visitors four additional runs.

The Martins are at Snow Hill today, and will play a return game here tomorrow. Next Monday the Martins meet Ayden here for the first time. Box score of yesterday's game:

GREENVILLE	A	B	R	H	P	O	A	E
Sullivan, rf	6	1	3	4	0	0	0	0
Ambler, 2b	5	1	5	1	0	0	0	0
Johnson, 1b	4	0	1	2	0	0	0	0
Wagner, c	2	2	1	5	0	0	0	0
Farmer, c	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0
Parker, lf	5	1	1	2	0	0	0	0
Huskamp, cf	4	1	1	2	0	0	0	0
Farley, 3b	5	1	1	2	1	0	0	0
Cherry, ss	5	0	2	2	1	1	0	0
Wade, p	5	2	1	1	1	0	0	0
Totals	38	9	12	27	4	1	0	0

WILLIAMSTON	A	B	R	H	P	O	A	E
Gaylord, lf	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Corbett, ss	4	0	1	2	1	3	0	0
Gillespie, c	2	0	0	2	0	0	0	0
Morris, cf	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Brake, rf	4	0	2	7	0	0	0	0
House, cf	4	1	1	5	0	2	0	0
Leary, 3b	3	1	2	1	3	0	0	0
Goodman, 2b	4	1	2	1	2	1	0	0
Taylor, 1b	4	0	0	9	0	0	0	0
Cherry, p	2	0	0	2	1	0	0	0
Gardner, p	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	35	3	8	27	8	7	0	0

Score by innings: B. Greenville 011 001 204-9; Williamston 000 000 300-3. Summary: Runs batted in: Check 2, Parker, Huskamp, Ambler, Wade, Farley 2, Sullivan, Williamston: Leary, Goodman, 2. Two-base hits: Wagner, Farley, Corbett, Brake 2, Leary 2. Three-base hit: Sullivan. Home runs: Wade, Goodman. Sacrifice hit: Johnson. Stolen bases: Sullivan 2. Hits: off Cherry, 7 in 6 innings (0 out in 7th); off Gardner, 5 in 3 innings. Struck out: by Wade 7, by Cherry 2, by Gardner 4. Bases on balls: off Wade 1, off Cherry 1, off Gardner 1. Hit by pitcher: Farmer (by Gardner). Losing pitcher: Cherry.

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Observe Communion at Baptist Church Sunday

Communion will be observed at the Baptist church Sunday morning. On these occasional days when the Lord's Supper is observed, the church membership should be present in large numbers. The pastor will preach Sunday evening at the 8 o'clock hour.

Farmers Must Apply for Tax Warrants by June 20

Allotments for marketing cotton tax free this fall are being made fairly rapidly in this county, Assistant in Cotton T. B. Slade said today. Those farmers who have not applied for their tax free allotments should do so immediately, Mr. Slade explaining that no applications for the tax free warrants could be accepted after the 20th of this month.

Digging of Irish Potatoes Began in Beaufort 27th

Digging of the early Irish potato crop of Beaufort County began on May 27. The crop is advanced two weeks but has suffered from lack of moisture.

SCHOOL BUILDING PROJECTS CONSIDERED FOR NUMBER OF COUNTY COMMUNITIES

Making a Study of the Building Project Proposed to the Martin County Board of Education by Patrons of Several County Schools, Architect E. G. Flannagan Said, That the Several Projects Were Badly Needed as Any He Had Investigated in This Section of the State, and He Had Studied Quite a Number of Proposed Programs Similar to the One Asked in This County.

With the possibility that the public works program now being advanced by the government will smile with favor on the proposed school projects, county authorities are making every effort to have the necessary building done in the near future and share in the federal funds to the extent of 45 per cent of the costs.

Building projects are being considered for the Bear Grass, Farm Life, Jamesville and Oak City white schools and the colored school at Robersonville.

SPECIAL TERM OF SUPERIOR COURT STARTS MONDAY

Regular One Week Term Convenes Monday of Week Following

Judge Clayton Moore convenes a special term of the Martin County Superior court here next Monday for the trial of civil cases only. Judge R. Hunt Parker, of Roanoke Rapids will convene the regular one-week term of the superior court beginning Monday week for the trial of both criminal and civil cases.

Interest in the civil docket next week centers around the case of Frank Pittman against Jack Downing. The plaintiff is asking \$25,000 damages as a result of injuries received in an automobile wreck near Edenton a year ago. Mr. Pittman was critically injured, but he has partially recovered. The case is scheduled for next Wednesday.

There are a goodly number of cases on the calendar for trial next week before Judge Moore but none of them is of any great importance outside the Pittman-Downing case.

CODE IS ADOPTED FOR 1935 SEASON BY WAREHOUSES

Plan Is Virtually the Same As One Presented by Recovery Act

A voluntary code was adopted by the Eastern Carolina Warehouse Association at the body's regular annual meeting held in Wilson Wednesday. The warehousemen also went on record as favoring the policies of President Franklin D. Roosevelt, in connection with the tobacco and farming in general.

The code adopted was almost word for word the same as that presented by the NIRA last year. Its difference was the fact that all warehousemen were bound by the NRA code while the new presented is, only mandatory to those who sign it, and requires 90 per cent of the members of the association before it can become legal. Twenty-six out of the 52 warehouses of this section who are members of the association signed the code and it is expected that the remaining 26 will follow in the next week. Most of the non-signers were absent from the meeting.

Auto Licenses Have Increased In State

There have been 39,837 more automobiles on the roads of North Carolina during the past five months than there were during the first five months of 1934.

Auto license sales at the State Motor Vehicle Bureau through Wednesday totaled 426,157, as compared with 386,320 pairs of plates sold from January 1 to June 5, 1934.

Regular Services Will Be Held By Presbyterians

The regular services will be held at all points this Sunday at the usual hours. The monthly preaching service will be held at Roberson's Chapel in the afternoon. The Bible School at Roberson's Chapel will continue through June 14th and the School at Bear Grass will begin on Monday the 17th. The services will be conducted by the pastor and Mr. Whitley.

Prowler Enters Home In New Town Wednesday

Prowlers entered the home of Mrs. Erah Cobb in New Town last Wednesday evening while the family was away and stole a small amount of money and some food from the dining room. It is believed the prowler was the same person who entered the Coburn and Corey homes in the same neighborhood several nights before.

SPECIAL MEETING OF TOWN BOARD HELD LAST NIGHT

Officials Order Opening of Avenue and Paving of Sidewalk

Meeting in special session here last evening, the town board of commissioners passed several new ordinances and ordered the opening of Marshall Avenue through the Godard property from Houghton, Extended, to Watts street, and the paving of the sidewalk on the west side of Biggs street from Ray to Beech.

A new ordinance was passed making it unlawful for one to trespass on property adjacent to the baseball park at the high school building. A maximum fine of \$50 is provided or 30 days in jail. The ordinance was designed to stop the practice of a few people who would see the game from trucks and car tops without paying any admission fee. The commissioners, sympathizing with the club officials in financing the activities, readily passed the ordinance. Already it is reported that some truck owners are placing their machines close to the fence and charging outsiders a small sum to stand on it and see the game over the fence. Prosecutions are likely, but it is hoped that the new ordinance will be generally observed.

7 CASES TRIED BY RECORDER LAST TUESDAY

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Court Will Be Closed Next Week Account Superior Court Session

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The case charging Norman Jones with violating the liquor laws was not prosed.

Judgment was suspended upon the condition that the defendant pay the cost in the case charging Harry Dolberry with violating the liquor laws. Dolberry appealed and the court required bond in the sum of \$50.

Jesse Williams was fined \$50 and taxed with the cost in the case charging him with operating an automobile while intoxicated.

Carl Walker was sentenced to the roads for a period of four months on a larceny and receiving charge. He appealed and bond in the sum of \$50 was required.

In the case charging Henry Price and Raleigh Daniel with receiving stolen goods, Price was required to pay a \$25 fine and one half the cost or go to the roads for three months. Daniel was required to pay \$25 fine and one-half the cost or go to the roads for six months.

Noah Stancill was found guilty of reckless driving and was sentenced to the roads for 90 days. He appealed and bond was required in the sum of \$100.

Little Rainfall Here During Past Month

The rainfall in this section last month was the smallest for any May in several years; in fact, it was less than half the amount ordinarily falling in the particularly period during the past five years. Only a fraction over two and one-half inches fell here during last month, the lowest so far this year with the exception of the 2.35 inches falling last February. As compared with the first five months of last year, the rainfall so far this year is about one inch less.

About three-quarters of an inch fell last Wednesday afternoon, making a total of .81 of an inch so far in June.

Regular Services at the Church of the Advent

Rev. E. F. Moseley, Rector, Whitsunday. Church School 9:45 a.m. Morning prayer and sermon 11 a.m. Evening prayer and sermon 8 p.m. The members of this congregation are reminded that this is the Sunday being ringed in the pence cans. But of most importance is the fact that this is one of the great Sundays of the Church year.

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