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Over 3,000 Children Expected at Opening County Schools Monday

Enrollment Likely To Be Around Same Figure As Last Year

Meetings of Principals And Teachers To Be Held In County Tomorrow

Vacation days are fast drawing to a close for more than 3,000 white children in this county, arrangements having been completed this week to call the youths to the eleven schools next Monday morning. No formal programs have been planned in any of the 11 schools, but many parents, members of school committees and others are expected to accept impromptu parts in the opening exercises. After a long and enjoyable vacation, the youths themselves will tell you they are ready to turn again to the road of learning, and the beginners, with a possible exception now and then, are anxiously awaiting the day of days in their young lives.

The enrollment gure, while expected to vary from school to school are not likely to reflect any increase over those reported on opening day last fall, when a record number of pupils entered school. Slight increases are predicted in the primary grade, but losses are expected in the higher units, with the possible exception of Robersonville, where Professor R. I. Leake is looking for a small increase in the high school.

Representatives scheduled to come here from the state school commission to re-route the school busses have not arrived, and the old routes will be followed almost in their entirety for the present at least, the office of the county superintendent said today. Trucks have been delivered to the drivers in parts of the county already, and all will be located and ready for use next Monday. No meeting of the truck drivers has been planned, but each of them is given instructions as to routes to follow, safety methods and duties expected by the school superintendent.

Meetings of the teachers and principals will be held in nearly all the schools tomorrow, preparatory to starting work next Monday. Many of the teachers have already reached their schools, and all expected to attend their respective meetings tomorrow. A few positions, made vacant by last-minute resignations, are being filled today and no vacancies will likely be found in any of the schools Monday. Yesterday vacancies were reported at Everetts, Bear Grass and Gold Point. The Everetts position was filled by Mrs. H. B. Russell, and several applicants are being considered today, with the expectation that one each will be assigned to the schools at Gold Point and Bear Grass.

School texts, to be handled by retailers just as they were handled last year, are available at most of the four stores carrying books and school supplies. Shipments were received by the local agent this week, and all texts for each subject will be available, with possibly one exception, here next Monday.

Colored schools in the county are not scheduled to open until Monday. Last year there were 3,315 pupils enrolled in the 11 schools the first day, an increase of 136 over the 1933-1934 enrollment. Last fall the opening day enrollment was, as follows:

School	H. S.	El.	Total
Dardens	34	34	34
Jamesville	106	289	395
Farm, Life	60	166	226
Bear Grass	51	255	306
Williamston	160	599	759
Everetts		273	273
Robersonville	227	374	601
Hassell		65	65
Gold Point		90	90
Oak City	137	251	388
Hamilton		178	178
Totals	741	2,574	3,315

1933-34 total, 3,179.

Lawful To Hunt Deer In County After September 15

According to a ruling received this week from State Game Commissioner Chalk, it will be lawful to hunt deer in this and several other counties after next Sunday. A recent ruling placed the open season between October 1 and January 1, but apparently a change was considered advisable, according to the ruling received this week. The season for taking male deer also opens Monday in Bertie, Washington, Tyrrell, Hertford, and Dare Counties.

NEW CASHIER

Daryl V. Clayton, Plymouth man, yesterday was named cashier of the local branch of the Guaranty Bank and Trust Company, succeeding A. G. Small, who has been with the bank here since its opening several months ago but who was transferred to Elizabeth City several days ago to serve as cashier of the newly opened branch there. W. H. Woolard, making the announcement of Mr. Clayton's appointment as cashier of the bank here, stated that Mr. Clayton would enter upon his new duties next Monday.

Mr. Clayton is well known in Washington County and Plymouth, where he has been associated with the Branch Banking and Trust Company for a number of years.

NEGRO FARMERS FLEECE OUT OF \$353 BY OLD GAME

Willie Land, Washington City Negro, Admits False Pretense Charge Here

James Worsley, respected colored farmer living near Hobgood, was fleeced out of \$263 and Jule Taylor, farmer-minister living near here, lost \$89 in cold cash last Tuesday afternoon when they fell victims of a shrewd gang of negroes working out of Durham. In short the two aging farmers swallowed hook, sinker and all when they were baited by the shrewd members of their race here that afternoon with the old pocket-book game.

Local officers were notified of the game, and started a search for the robbers. The police went with Taylor and Worsley to several neighboring towns, but could find no trace of the gang. The following morning, Wednesday, Worsley and Taylor went to Rocky Mount, where they found the gang preparing another hold-up, but four of the five escaped. Willie Land was arrested and returned here yesterday morning by Sheriff C. B. Roebuck and Officer J. H. Allbrooks, the search continuing for the others.

Land admitted his part in relieving Worsley of the cash, but had only \$14 on his person when arrested, explaining that the remainder had gone to his confederates with the exception of \$20 which he gave to his "woman" in Durham Tuesday night. He explained that the gang left Durham early Wednesday for Rocky Mount to work that town.

Asked to tell how the old pocket-book scheme worked, Land said that the subject, or sucker, had to have larceny in his heart to start off with. Continuing, he said that one member of the gang would feel out a prospect, and if there was available money, the trap was soon set and sprung. One of the group would talk to the subject while another dropped a pocketbook and still another picked it up. The one talking to the hold-up prospect would see the pick-up and ask how much money was in the paper-backed folder, and in a friendly manner suggesting that a division should be made. The trio then repaired to a quiet place, the finder explaining that there was a thousand dollar bill in the folder. The psychology in the trick generally works at that point, and when the hold-up prospect is asked to put up so much as a bond of good faith, he willingly does so, Land said. Plans are then made for a division of the find, the fleecers telling the subject to wait for them at a certain place while they go to the bank to get the money changed.

The money-changing scheme was another way they had of telling Worsley and Taylor good-bye. After waiting more than an hour, the two men began to wake up, and then rushed to the police with their tale of woe.

At a hearing before Justice J. L. Hassell this morning, Land was bound over to the superior court for trial next week under a \$500 bond.

Rev. J. M. Perry To Start Meeting at Fair View

Rev. J. M. Perry will start a one-week revival meeting in the Fair View Christian church next Monday night at 7:30 o'clock, it was announced yesterday. Services will be held each evening, and the public is cordially invited to attend.

Principals Announce Everything Ready For Initial Sessions

Informal Exercises Will Be Held In All Schools Opening Monday

The several school principals in this county reported this week that they are ready to begin work next Monday, all expressing the opinion that the outlook is bright for successful terms.

Everetts

While most of the schools will hold their opening exercises at 9 o'clock, a few have announced different hours. Principal H. B. Russell said the Everetts school would open at 9 o'clock with an informal exercise program. "We are hoping to standardize our school this year," Mr. Russell said, explaining that the county superintendent and the parent-teacher association, headed by W. F. Crawford, are doing all they can to effect a higher rating for the school. The Everetts faculty this year is as follows: First grade, Miss Martha Baldree and Miss Mary Webb Askew, of Windsor; second grade, Mrs. H. B. Russell; third grade, Miss Alice Mallard; fourth grade, Miss Sybil Brown; fifth grade, Miss Beatrice Wynne; sixth grade, Miss Saraff Edmondson, of Hamilton; seventh grade and principal, H. Bruce Russell. The public is cordially invited to attend the exercises Monday.

Bear Grass

Patrons are urged to attend the opening exercises at Bear Grass at 9 o'clock Monday morning and get an outline of the work and meet the new teachers. "We are hoping to make this the best year in the history of the school," Principal Hickman said.

Miss Annie Mae Davis, of Rocky Mount, has been appointed to fill the fifth grade position made vacant by the resignation of Miss Roebuck just a few days ago, it was learned today.

Farm Life

Many patrons are expected at Farm Life Monday morning at 9 o'clock, when books and lesson assignments are announced and informal exercises are held in the auditorium, Principal C. B. Martin said yesterday.

Robersonville

Opening exercises will be held in the elementary school at 9 o'clock and in the high school at 11 o'clock for the Robersonville schools, Principal R. I. Leake explained. A slight increase in the high school is looked for there this term, the principal said.

All the white schools will start the new term next Monday, and as far as it could be learned the informal exercises will get underway at 9 o'clock, except in those cases where different hours were announced.

Williamston

Brief exercises in the high school auditorium will mark the opening of the local schools Monday morning at 8:45 o'clock, Principal D. N. Hix announced today. The public is invited to attend. Children in the first five grades are asked to report directly to their grade room teachers in the grammar grade building, Mr. Hix stating that no exercises will be held at the elementary school.

Plans for the coming term will be discussed at faculty meetings in the high school building tomorrow afternoon, the elementary teachers meeting at 2:30 and the high school faculty meeting at 3:30 there.

Land Bank Opens Office Here with Green in Charge

The North Carolina Joint Stock Land Bank opened an office in the Atlantic Hotel building next to the Hall Barber Shop here this week, with its representative, John W. Green, in charge. Mr. Green will have an assistant and one of the two will be in the office each day during the next several weeks.

Presbyterians Announce Usual Services for Sunday

The usual services of the Presbyterian church will be held at all points Sunday by the pastor. The thought of the message will be, "A refreshing Christian." A cordial invitation is extended to all strangers within our city and those connected with the tobacco market to worship with us. Go to church every Sunday.

ALL-DAY SESSION IS HELD TUESDAY IN COUNTY COURT

Highway Patrolmen Bring One-Third of Cases To Docket

In session most of the day, the county recorder's court handled one of the largest dockets last Tuesday in recent months. Reckless driving, assaults and alleged violations of the liquor laws held the spotlight in the proceedings of the day, and for the first time in recent weeks there were no cases charging larceny. Work of the patrolmen during the past week was quite evident when the cases were called, Hunt and Stewart accounting for about one-third the number on the docket.

Joshua Mack Johnson, charged with assault, was fined \$35 and taxed with the cost with the understanding that he settle or go to the roads for 90 days. A similar disposition was made in the case charging Linwood Johnson with an assault.

Charged with an assault with a deadly weapon, Walter Crisp, jr., was found not guilty.

The case charging Lonnie Williams with reckless driving was not pressed with leave.

Wesley Allen, charged with trespass, was sentenced to the roads for three months, the sentence to begin at the direction of the court.

Amos Latham was fined \$10 and taxed with the cost in the case charging him with assault.

Adjudged guilty of violating the liquor laws, Joe Bullock was directed to pay a \$50 fine and costs or go to the roads for 90 days.

Annanias Keel was found not guilty in the case charging him with violating the liquor laws.

Will Hines and Ralph Dugger, charged with violating the liquor laws, called for trials by jury, and their cases were scheduled for hearing on the 8th of next month.

Charged with driving a mule and cart while intoxicated, Charlie Godard was found guilty of being drunk and the court suspended judgment upon payment of the costs. Godard was said to have been getting along very well with the mule taking him home, but the man's hat blew off and the uncertainty of his efforts to recover his lid attracted the attention of Patrolman Stewart, and the arrest followed.

Judgment was suspended in the case charging Daniel Holliday with speeding through the town of Jamesville. Similar action was taken in the case charging A. W. Hantz with speeding through the town.

Thurman Perkins was fined \$50 and taxed with the cost on an alleged drunken automobile driving charge. The court gave him the option of serving 90 days on the roads instead of paying the fine, but in either case he is not to drive a car within the next 12 months.

Charged with drunken driving and improper brakes, John Hadley was fined \$100 and taxed with the cost. His license to operate a motor vehicle was revoked for one year.

Jesse Rogers, George and Wilford Hardison, Arthur Roberson, and D. Gray pleaded guilty of gambling and were fined \$10 each.

The case charging W. A. Dail with reckless driving was not pressed.

Rev. C. H. Dickey To Preach Here Sunday

Rev. Chas. H. Dickey, former pastor here, will preach at the 11 o'clock hour in the local Baptist church Sunday morning, it was announced today. Sunday school will convene at 9:45 a. m., and there'll be no services. The election of Sunday school officers will follow the church school hour, it is planned.

Mr. Dickey returned here last evening from Raleigh where he is now located with the state organization of the Baptist Church. He plans to move his family next Friday to Raleigh where they will be at home in an apartment in the Bickett home on Bloodworth Street.

Sunday evening Mr. Dickey will preach in the Windsor Baptist church by special request.

Former Local Man Injured In Auto Wreck Wednesday

S. Dlykan, former operator of a cafe in the Bowen Building here on Washington Street, nearly broke his neck when he lost control of his car on Highway 64 last Wednesday afternoon. The machine turned over twice, injuring the man badly about the head and on one arm. He was able to continue to his home in Roanoke Rapids, however, where he operates a cafe.

Record Amount Tobacco On Local Market Today

Tobacco Sign-Up Campaign Progressing Nicely in County

The sign-up for the government's new four-year tobacco control program is progressing rapidly, and its success is virtually assured, Assistant County Agent M. L. Barnes said yesterday, following an inspection trip to several of the community committees. The farmers seem to be well pleased with the terms of the new agreement, and are readily signing, Mr. Barnes said.

Until late yesterday, only one grower had openly rejected the terms of the contract. However several are said to have delayed

signing until they could give further study to the new contract terms. Learning that the contracts have been brought nearer into line one to another, farmers are complaining little about the adjustments, and indications now are that the movement will find an even greater support than that given any previous campaign.

More than 100 farmers had signed here up to closing time, Mr. H. S. Everett, handling the work, stated. Other committees report the farmers are reporting as rapidly as they can handle them.

Block Sale Certain; Tobacco Still Being Unloaded at Noon

Prices Yesterday Declared Most Satisfactory So Far This Season

A new record in the history of the Williamston market was established today when farmers offered approximately 400,000 pounds of the golden leaf for sale on the three warehouse floors. The town is full of tobacco today, and the leaf was still being unloaded at noon today. Block sales were certain early this morning, as farmers rushed here from all parts of this and from more than half dozen neighboring counties. Sales are being conducted as rapidly as rules and regulations will permit, and the buyers and sales forces limited their lunch period to 30 minutes in an effort to sell as much of the break as possible.

The market is in a hustling mood all right, but even then it is apparent that the farmers are marketing their crops too rapidly. The handling system is functioning perfectly, but the offerings are too great to clear the floors today. The buyers may reach the third house late this afternoon, but the closing hour will find a considerable block there. Learning that heavy sales are in prospect next Monday, farmers are making arrangements for the Monday sale.

A decided spurt was noted in the prices yesterday on the market here, and while the sales were said to be holding their own today, many inferior grades were found and it is hardly expected the average will reach the figure officially reported yesterday at \$19.25 a hundred. There were unusually good sales in the making today, but large quantities of the poorer quality offerings were placed on the floors, the action, no doubt, proving a costly process to the farmers. Some farmers are holding off all those grades they believed will not bring 10 or 12 cents, but others are placing everything they have on sale, and prices hit as low as 5 cents a pound.

The sale yesterday was described as the most satisfactory of the season. While prices were not high, and it can be truthfully said that tobacco is still cheap, the market averaged \$19.25, the 195,296 pounds selling for \$37,591.34. Sales for the season, not including the record-breaking offerings of today, total 2,678,036 pounds. The average for the season stands at \$18.41.

Thomas Hinson Dies At Jamesville Home After Long Illness

Last Rites Held Yesterday In Free Will Baptist Church Near Dardens

Thomas Hinson, retired farmer and well-known citizen of Jamesville, died at the home of his daughter there Wednesday afternoon following a long period of ill health. He was sixty-one years old.

Mr. Hinson lived in this county all his life. Until his health failed, he farmed, and was highly regarded by all who knew him. He was a member of the Free Will Baptist church, near Dardens, where the last rites were conducted yesterday afternoon by Rev. Dennis Alexander. Burial was in the Waters Cemetery not far from the church in Jamesville Township.

He leaves three children, Mr. J. M. Mizelle, with whom he made his home, and Warren Wade Hinson and Carroll James Hinson.

New Pastor Will Be Here September 29

Rev. James H. Smith, recently called to the pastorate of the Memorial Baptist church here, will be unable to enter upon his new duties next Sunday, as was announced last week. In a letter to Deacon J. Sam Getsinger yesterday, the minister explained that he would be unable to leave his work at Marion, his home, before week after next, and that he would be here to occupy the pulpit in the local church on the fifth Sunday, September 29.

13 Criminal Actions on Superior Court Docket

Smallest Number of Cases To Be Set for Trial in Many Terms

Judge E. H. Cranmer, Foe Of Whiskey In Any Form, To Preside

The Martin County Superior Court convenes here next Monday morning with one of the smallest criminal dockets before it in many months. Only thirteen cases had been scheduled up until this morning, and none of them is considered of any great importance. No murder cases are on the docket, the court ordinarily handling at least one such trial each term. However, interest is likely to center in the disposition of several alleged violations of the new liquor laws. Four or five of these cases are scheduled for trial next week, the defendants having appealed from judgments imposed by Judge H. O. Peel in the county recorder's court. As a whole, the docket is expected to attract very little attention from the general public, but large crowds are expected here to participate in the court proceedings, as witnesses, jurors, and so on.

Judge E. H. Cranmer, of Southport, is to preside over the two-week term, the greater part of which will be given over to the trial of civil actions. Judge Cranmer is recognized to dislike whisky in any form, whether it be sold legally or illegally, and alleged violators of those laws are said to be, in one or two cases, regretting their appeals from the lower court judgments.

Sam Faulk, the first colored citizen to be drawn in this generation for jury service during the term is planning to ask that he be excused, it was reported today. Others have already entered their excuses to escape serving, and one or two have been granted by Judge Cranmer in a letter a few days ago, it was said. Faulk, a local ice and fish dealer, is expected, however, to appear in the court with his excuse next Monday morning, it was said.

The case charging Ollie Page, colored man, with manslaughter, continues on the docket, but will not be tried this term, and probably not before next December. The criminal action is awaiting the disposition of a civil action brought by administrators of Marshall Andrews and John Leavister, the two young men who were killed when their car and a truck driven by Page crashed on the Stokes highway a few miles out of Robersonville on the sixth of last September. The civil case was tried before Judge Clayton Moore here last March, but the verdict of \$400 in the \$65,000 suit was set aside. Trial of the civil suit is planned for the special term of court convening here in November.

Chester Terry and Lester Whitaker are scheduled to face trial next week in the case charging them with housebreaking and larceny. The action was continued at the last term of court.

Kelly Salsbury, facing a similar charge, is also scheduled to go on trial next week. His case was continued at the June term.

Charged with destroying an old

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AN APPEAL

An appeal is being directed by the publishers to Enterprise subscribers this week, urging them to advance their subscriptions before next Tuesday in those cases where the time has expired.

The renewal of subscriptions on or before next Tuesday will mean much to the publishers, and prevent the loss of a single copy of the paper to the subscriber. An audit of The Enterprise circulation is planned for next Wednesday, and those subscriptions that are in arrears will not be accepted. Those subscribers who possibly can renew their subscriptions not later than next Tuesday will do the publishers a great favor, and at the same time keep the paper coming to them.

Alonza Harrison, of Cross Roads, Died at Home Last Tuesday

Funeral Held At His Late Home Wednesday Afternoon

Alonza Harrison, industrious farmer of Cross Roads Township, died at his home there last Tuesday afternoon, following an illness of about two weeks. He suffered a slight stroke several days before, and was thought to be recovering when he suffered another last Sunday, death following two days later.

Mr. Harrison was 47 years old, the son of the late Redden and Harriett Harrison. He was born in Bear Grass township and lived there a greater part of his life. In early manhood he was married to Miss Lily Pollard, who, with ten children survives. He also leaves one sister, Mrs. Frank Weaver, of Williamston. The pastor of the Rose of Sharon Free Will Baptist Church, of which Mr. Harrison was a member, conducted the last rites from the home Wednesday afternoon. Burial was in the family cemetery in Bear Grass Township.

Williams Township Woman Died Friday

Mrs. Marina Gardner, widow of Eli Gardner, died at the home of her step-son, Lewis Henry Gardner, in Williams Township, late last Friday afternoon. Mrs. Gardner was 80 years old and had been in declining health for about one year. Mr. Gardner died about four years ago. The infirmities of old age caused death.

Besides one sister, Miss Lucinda Corey, of Williams Township, she leaves the following step-children, Lewis Gardner, and Hoyt Gardner, of Tunis, and Mrs. Martha Mills and Mrs. Ada Williams. Funeral services were conducted last Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the late home by Rev. W. B. Harrington, of the Baptist church. Burial was in the Corey cemetery in Griffins Township.