

30 CASES CALLED BY RECORDER AT WEEKLY SESSION

Large Crowd Attend Court After Lay-Off of One Week

Handling a large docket that had accumulated during an extra week while the superior tribunal was in session, the county recorder's court attracted large crowds to a long session Tuesday. About 30 cases were called, the court disposing of 21 and continuing the others. The attendance was larger than that upon the superior court early last week.

The case charging James Glover, jr., with bastardy was cleared from the docket when the defendant agreed to pay \$80 to the prosecuting witness and pay the cost of the action.

Judgment was suspended upon payment of the cost in the case charging Joe Bell with simple assault.

Willie Hopkins, charged with operating a motor vehicle without proper lights, was found not guilty.

Lucy Whitehurst, charged with disorderly conduct and attempted assault with a deadly weapon, was sentenced to two years in the farm colony at Kinston. The woman is said to have fired upon citizens in Bear Grass Township several weeks ago, but did no personal damage.

The case of Everal E. Williams, charged with bastardy, was continued until July 7 when he demanded a trial by jury.

Judgment was suspended upon the condition that the defendant leave the county in the case charging John Henry Mills with larceny.

James Jones was sentenced to the roads for six months in the case charging him with carrying a concealed weapon.

Judgment was suspended upon payment of the cost in the case charging Arthur Vail with violating the motor vehicle laws. It was brought out that Vail had permitted his son, 15 years old, to operate a car without license.

Abner Bennett, Williamston regular street beggar, charged with forcible trespass, was bound over to the higher court for trial when evidence indicated he had broken into a house.

Jack Oakley, charged with an affray, was found guilty and sentenced to the roads for 60 days.

Judgment was suspended upon payment of the cost of the action in the case charging Cleo Jackson with an affray.

Bob Wimbush was sentenced to the roads for four months for carrying a concealed weapon. Wimbush now faces trial for stealing the pistol.

The case charging Thurman Beach with drunken automobile driving, was not prossed. Tom Beach was found guilty of driving drunk, and he was fined \$50 and taxed with the cost. The two Beach boys were in the car when it left the highway and ran off an embankment near Sweet Water Creek several weeks ago. It was almost certain that Thurman Beach was driving, and a warrant was issued for his arrest.

In the meantime, Tom is said to have claimed he was driving, and a warrant was issued against him, but withheld until he testified in the case against Thurman. When he admitted he was driving, officers served the warrant on him and his trial was held.

Will Purvis was sentenced to the roads for six months on a larceny charge.

James D. Snowdon, Norfolk man, was fined \$50 and taxed with the cost in the case charging him with drunken automobile driving.

David Freeman was sentenced to the roads for six months on a non-support charge.

The case charging C. M. Burden with passing a worthless check was not prossed.

Will Rollings was fined \$50 and taxed with the cost for alleged drunken automobile driving.

Charged with selling liquor, Worley James was found not guilty.

Thomas Hyman was sentenced to the roads for five months on a disorderly conduct and attempted assault charge.

Two Hurt in Wreck at Robersonville Yesterday

Mrs. W. B. Knox, of Bear Grass, was hurt internally, and her husband was bruised but not badly yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock when their car was struck by another driven by Jack Heath, colored, of Greenville, at the highway-main street intersection in Robersonville. Heath and Archie Bilbro, owner of the car Heath was driving, escaped without injury or consequence.

Heath was charged by highway patrol with operating a car at excessive speed. Both machines were badly damaged.

Many County Veterans Are Converting Bonds Into Cash

Martin County World War veterans are said to be gradually converting their bonus bonds into cash, late unofficial reports indicating that the former soldiers have drawn around \$45,000 in cash. Up until yesterday the veterans had received checks only for bonds turned in early last week. Other conversions will be made shortly by the pay office in Raleigh, it is understood. Several checks were received here today, but the money is coming back a bit slowly.

The distribution of bonds continues, but it will likely be several

weeks before some of the \$50 certificates are delivered, the authorities explaining that much time will be required to handle corrections of errors made in filing the applications.

While the main rush to convert the bonds into cash is apparently over, some few Martin veterans are daily sending in their bonds and asking for cash.

So far bonds have been delivered to 143 veterans by the Williamston postoffice.

Bonds, amounting to \$38,000 have been returned through the local office to Raleigh.

Walker Returns To Manage Local Fair

HUT DONATIONS

Contributions amounting to several hundred dollars have been advanced for the construction of an American Legion Post building or hut in this county by veterans, it was learned today. Most of the donations have been made during the past few days or since many of the veterans converted their bonds into cash.

Indications now point to a sizeable building fund. It was pointed out by a leader of the John Walton Hassell Post, the organization sponsoring the proposed project.

Organization of Soil Program Groups Is Progressing Rapidly

County Tobacco Committee Also Being Formed In This County

The organization of a soil conservation program control body is progressing rapidly in the county, Assistant County Agent M. L. Barnes announced this morning. The individual organizations for the various districts will probably be formed by the latter part of next week, and a county committee will be formed immediately thereafter, or about Saturday, the agent said.

Last Tuesday evening a joint committee for Williamston and Poplar Point Townships was elected. Fred Taylor was made chairman, Walter Halberstadt, vice chairman; John R. Peel, member, and L. G. Taylor, alternate. About 50 farmers attended the meeting, and much interest was shown in the organization and the soil program. No members of the old organization were retained.

Wednesday evening at Bear Grass another interesting organization session was held, but according to unofficial information, a misunderstanding in the count of votes resulted. The misunderstanding was not thought to be of any serious consequence, however. A. B. Ayers was retained as chairman, and W. M. Harrison was made vice chairman; H. U. Peel, member, and Sidney Beacham, alternate.

Hassell reported a good meeting for Hamilton Township last night when D. R. Edmondson was made chairman of the committee for that district. C. L. Nelson was elected vice chairman; Frank L. Haislip, member, and W. Y. Beach, alternate.

Other meetings are being held to night at Oak City; at Robersonville tomorrow afternoon at 3:30 o'clock; at Holly Springs over in Williams Township Monday evening; at Farm Life Tuesday evening; at Everetts on Wednesday evening; and at Jamesville on Thursday, July 2. All meetings with the exception of the one at Robersonville, will be held at 8 o'clock p. m.

In addition to the agricultural organizations, the districts appointed special representatives for tobacco growers. The names of the tobacco representatives elected to date are, J. G. Stator, Williamston; C. U. Rogers, Bear Grass, and J. W. Eubanks, Hassell. These representatives will hold a meeting in July to name a chairman and delegate to attend a state-wide meeting of tobacco growers in Raleigh the latter part of July. Heretofore, those taking part in mass meetings in Raleigh were charged with being self-appointed and not representatives of the tobacco farmers. Now the farmers are picking representatives from their own ranks to lead them when occasion demands.

Will Be Held Early This Year; To Start On September 28th

"Lucky" Teter Is Booked For Return Engagement Here This Season

Announcement was made today by Norman Y. Chambliss, of the N. C. Fair Operating Company, that Mr. Harvey Walker, of Raleigh, had again been appointed resident manager of the Williamston Fair and he has arrived here and established his office at the fair grounds.

Announcement was also made by Mr. Chambliss that the date of the Williamston Fair this year would be the week of September 28th, the change being made in view of the fact that the management of the Williamston Fair was well pleased with the patronage accorded the fair last year, even under bad weather conditions. Mr. Walker managed the fair in 1935 and made numerous friends. The first work of Mr. Walker at Williamston will be getting out the premium book, and he will immediately confer with Mr. Brandon, county agent, as well as Miss Lora Sleeper, home demonstration agent for Martin County.

An elaborate program is being arranged for the Williamston Fair this year, which will include a return engagement on the part of "Lucky Teter," who made such a big hit at Williamston in 1935. The Cettlin & Wilson Shows will occupy the mid-way this year, this show having played the Greensboro Fair in 1935 as well as several other large fairs. It will be the policy of the management to have a clean midway and legitimate concessions.

Under the tentative program Lucky Teter will probably play in Williamston on Wednesday and Friday, but definite announcement will be made later. Mr. Chambliss states the people can positively depend on a wonderful grandstand show in 1936, as well as agricultural exhibits.

Mr. Chambliss made the definite statement also that all premiums, as well as other bills, were immediately paid after the fair at Williamston in 1935. Unfortunately, the agricultural exhibits were not what Mr. Chambliss desired in 1935, but he is hopeful there will be quite an improvement this year and urges the farmers to get ready now for their Williamston Fair exhibits.

Gets Bonus Late Tuesday; Lands In Jail Thursday

Receiving his bonus late Tuesday, Guffie Mason, Bear Grass Township colored man, bought a second-hand automobile, got drunk, wrecked his newly-purchased machine and landed in jail here yesterday morning.

Driving rapidly near Gardner's Creek, Mason lost control of the car and turned it over, but escaped with only a minor hand injury. He righted the Ford, and was continuing on his way when patrolmen arrested him.

Orthopedic Clinic To Be Held In Tarboro Monday

The Tarboro Rotary club will conduct another orthopedic clinic in the Presbyterian Sunday school rooms there next Monday afternoon at 1 o'clock. The club will also conduct a neuro-psychiatric clinic for nerve injuries, mild mental cases and retarded and behavior problem children.

Martin people, needing treatment, are invited to attend the clinics.

ELECTION SNARL AT HAMILTON IS STILL UP IN AIR

Final Action Being Delayed Pending Instructions From State Board

Investigating complaints directed against John A. Davenport, Hamilton precinct registrar, the Martin County Board of Elections at an unofficial hearing held in Hamilton last Tuesday postponed action in the case pending instructions from the State Board of Elections, it was learned from Mr. Sylvester Peel, chairman of the county board. In an effort to eliminate as far as possible all friction and at the same time maintain election rules and regulations, the board is doing all in its power to find a satisfactory solution to the snarl. At the present time, the board is not contemplating Mr. Davenport's removal, certainly not before the second primary next week, it was indicated.

Chairman Peel said yesterday that the board was considering the appointment of an assistant poll holder for the second primary to serve the present officials. However, this action depends on instructions from the State board, he pointed out. Mr. Peel also said that an official hearing would be held before final action is taken to dismiss the registrar in the event the State Board recommended the change.

A careful study of the petition, drawn and signed by 20 citizens of the precinct who asked Mr. Davenport's removal, reveals no concrete charge against the man as far as the actual holding of the election is concerned. The petition is more in the form of a general attack, charging, "He is not of the character that is expected of a person that is filling a position which he is holding." The failure of the paper to cite a definite and concrete infraction of the election laws is believed to have prevented definite action by the county board last Tuesday.

However, it was pointed out at the hearing that Voter L. H. Rouse was ordered from the polling place before he finished voting. It is understood, however, that the voting was a long-drawn out task, but Chairman Peel assured Mr. Rouse that he would be allowed two hours or more to mark the ticket on July 4th.

Efforts to have Mr. Davenport voluntarily resign probably in favor of his daughter or son-in-law failed, the chairman of the board, so anxious to restore peace and harmony, telling him that he would advance from his own pocket the salary the positions draws. Mr. Davenport stood his ground, and hastily advanced a petition carrying the names of 43 persons favoring his retention.

Mr. Peel explained yesterday that if no definite instructions are received to dismiss Davenport, he would go to Hamilton Monday and appoint an assistant poll holder, one whose appointment would meet with favor by the Davenport opposition, but whether this will settle the controversy is considered by some to be very doubtful.

Unofficial rumors directing complaints against the election officials in Poplar Point Township were declared unfounded by Mr. Peel following an investigation in that district last Tuesday.

The petition presented the board of elections by 20 well-known citizens in Hamilton Precinct reads,

"We the undersigned do hereby petition you to remove Mr. J. A. Davenport from the position as judge of elections or as poll holder of Hamilton Precinct.

Reasons:

1. He is not of the character that is expected of a person that is filling a position which he is holding.
2. The township is not casting the votes it should on account of his attitude in general.

"We invite an investigation of Mr. Davenport's character which will verify our contentions."

CHURCH OF THE ADVENT
Rev. E. F. Moseley, Rector
Holy Communion, 7:30 a. m.
Church school, 9:45 a. m.

St. Martin's Hamilton
Church school, 10 a. m.
Holy Communion and sermon at 11 a. m.
Evening prayer and sermon at 8 o'clock.

Two Carried Before Court For Using Bad Language

Charged with using improper language in public, John A. Davenport and John Ayers, Hamilton men, were carried into court there a few days ago. Judge C. L. Nelson, going over from Hassell to Hear the charges, suspended judgment upon payment of the costs of about \$3 each. Both men are said to have pleaded guilty.

WALTERS, WADE FEATURE 2-1 WIN OVER SNOW HILL

Wade Holds Visitors To Three Hits; Walters Wins with Homer

Rainy weather took most of the games in the Coastal Plain loop this week, the Martins finding it possible to squeeze in a lone exhibition up until today. But what an exhibition they did stage when the weather finally opened up. Snow Hill and Kinston worked while all the remainder of the teams remained idle Wednesday afternoon, but yesterday all the clubs went into action, the activities leaving the standings of the three top clubs unchanged, with Greenville leading the Martins by half a game, and Williamston leading Ayden by the same margin.

Rated as one of the best games of the season, the Snow Hill-Williamston contest here yesterday afternoon unfolded some perfect ball playing that was capped with an exciting and very fitting climax in the tenth inning. Larry Wade was headed for a record-breaker, but adverse breaks in the eighth interfered. Until that frame he had turned back the mighty Snow Hill swatters without a hit. The visitors had not yet located first base, but the umpire failed to hear a foul-ball report and gave a visitor what appeared to be an unearned trip to first. Bugg, next man, struck out. Robinson then singled to account for the first hit of the game off Wade, and Parrish, following, smacked a double to score Ingram. During the first seven innings, the visitors hit only five ground balls, the others being pop-ups, high flies to the outfield, and strike-outs.

Hampton, pitching for Snow Hill, twirled a good game and allowed 7 hits. Gaylord and Walters did the heavy work with the steek to make the hits count. While Gaylord made three hits in a row and got a free pass, Walters featured the attack in the third, when he hit a double to score from second, which the local left-fielder had stolen a minute or two before. The climax came in the tenth when Walters won the 2-to-1 game with a home run on the gymnasium. Earp and Corbit annexed a hit each to push the count to 7.

Both teams went the route without an error, and played one of the best games ever seen on the local diamond.

Two Wives Arrive To Visit Man Held In County Bastile

Happenings were taking place rapidly down around the Martin County hoosegow last Tuesday afternoon when Dennis Whitaker, white man, was placed there to answer for the alleged violation of his parole, and his two wives came down to see him. Whitaker, peering through the bars of a third story window, talked first with one and then the other, the two women nudging each other from the most advantageous position on the ground just below the window.

Regardless of what he might have been, and ignoring what he is now, the two wives strongly maintained their right to the man, and refused, at the suggestion of some one, to flip a coin to determine ownership. No settlement was reached, but the two women left in the same automobile for an unannounced destination. Whitaker goes back to the roads to settle an old debt with the State.

The young man married his second wife upon release from jail just a short time ago, and there was peace until a few days ago when he took back Wife No. 1 and ordered his second one to vacate.

Just how the tangle will be finally straightened out and who will get the man cannot be predicted, but it is a settled fact that neither of the wives will possess him until the State finishes with him, and it is possible the federal authorities will call him to answer one of their parole violations.

Refuse Advice To Flip Coin That Ownership Might Be Determined

METHODIST CHURCH
Sunday school, 9:45 a. m.
Regular morning service at 11 o'clock.
Young people's service at 7 p. m.
Evening service at 8 o'clock.

Project Plans Call for Ten-Foot Channel from the Mouth To Hamilton

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Evening service at 8 o'clock—Subject: "Test of Fellowship with God."
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McDonald Heard by Big Gathering Here

BIBLE SCHOOL

Ministers, faculty, workers and students of the Daily Vacation Bible school, a cooperative effort on the part of the various religious bodies in Williamston, wish to cordially invite the public to attend the commencement exercises to be held this evening in the Memorial Baptist Church.

Following an inspirational worship period, the several groups will give a program of songs, stories of Jesus, and a playlet, "Mrs. Oldfangled's Conversion," in which the daily activities of the school will be briefly summarized. A worker will reproduce, "A House That Speaks In Many Languages," recounting the experiences and influence of Jane Addams, the good neighbor.

TYPHOID DRIVE IS RETARDED BY RAINY WEATHER

Present Indication Is That Around 12,000 People Will Take Vaccine

Unfavorable weather during much of the week has interfered with the anti-typhoid fever campaign in this county, but the activities today indicate for the movement considerable success. The number taking the vaccine is running well into the several thousands, the health office here having no complete record on the campaign at this time.

Reports from five of the dispensaries show that more than 2,000 people have taken the vaccine. The five clinics are located in strictly rural areas, but on the basis of the activities in those communities, the total for the county should run a round 12,000 or more.

Large numbers were reported at the clinics here and at Robersonville today.

Next Monday, the schedule in effect this week, will be started for the second time, the health authorities urging all those who failed to get the vaccine this week to start the treatment at their nearest clinic. Very few people are asking for individual attention, and when they do they offer feasible excuses for not taking the treatment at the clinics.

The protection is offered free to every person in the county, and the appearance of typhoid fever in near-by counties already this summer should be sufficient warning for everyone to take advantage of the protection this year. A pure water supply is not adequate protection against the fever, for it is a recognized fact that those who have had typhoid in years gone by are carriers of the germ, as a rule.

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Strong Attack Made By Candidate on His Opponent in Race

Pays Cordial Respects To Late Political Opponents Graham and McRae

"I come today to take the long-tail coat off Clyde Hoey and show all the shams thereunder," Dr. Ralph W. McDonald told a crowded court auditorium here yesterday in advancing his candidacy for governor of North Carolina through a muddy and a suggested libelous second-primary campaign. Before turning his guns on the veteran in the race, the psychology professor paid his very cordial respects to his late political opponents, Sandy Graham and John McRae.

Not until the last did he venture a new political stand or reiterate an old one, but for the greater part of an hour he lambasted with loaded dynamite Hoey, Ehringhaus, Gardner, and wealth. After claiming malicious lies of the most derogatory nature had been unloosed against him during the last two days of the first campaign, Dr. McDonald mentioned the advice given him by his father, which in effect was, "After exhausting all means to be decent to anybody and you fail, then take your coat off and lick hell out of them."

His first attack centered around Max Gardner, "the No. 1 lobbyist in the United States, who gets as much as \$100,000 for a single case, and he is the head of the machine in this state."

Continuing, the speaker said, "When James Gray went to Raleigh there was a tax on Reynolds Tobacco Company stock, and when he left there was no tax on it. Ehringhaus refused to call a special session of the legislature, making a tie-in of Gardner-Ehringhaus-Hoey as plain as day, and Ehringhaus has served wealth even better than Gardner."

Mr. McDonald took time out to tell a little story about hand-picking candidates, but he would not vouch for it, he explained. According to the story, Mr. and Mrs. Ehringhaus would try to keep the mansion in Raleigh looking clean and nice until Clyde came along in 1937.

"Hoey said that anybody with any sense would vote for him," McDonald charged.

"There's power money in Hoey's pocket," the speaker said in pointing out his opponent's lobbying activities. And then Dr. McDonald went on to outline Hoey's sources of support. The power companies are behind him. The tobacco companies are behind him. The Liberty Leaguers are for Clyde "Ring" Hoey. The lobbyists are for Clyde "Ring" Hoey. The ring politicians are for Clyde "Ring" Hoey. The 10-cent politicians are for Clyde "Ring" Hoey. "If Hoey is such a good Democrat, then why didn't he carry something besides Republican counties in the west, and why did Graham and I carry the east," he asked.

"You can find a long-haired lobbyist and put a long-tail coat on him but that won't make him a preacher," McDonald pointed out in connection with Hoey's religious activities, and at the same time explaining that he himself had taught a Sunday school class.

"It isn't a pleasant task to expose crookedness of our state political machine, but if you want four more years when tobacco companies will dictate the policies of state, you can get them with Hoey," McDonald continued. In short, he summed up about all of what Hoey said as so much hoey. "Hoey says he is not tied up with Gardner; that's hoey. His remarks on the old-age pension system, increased appropriations for schools are hoey," the speaker said.

According to Dr. McDonald, Hoey would lose about two million dollars

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One-man Parade Champions Candidacy R. W. McDonald

Led by "Shorty" Corey, who's only about 6 feet 3, a one-man parade formed in the interest of Candidate McDonald, attracted much attention in the Jamesville community this week. Reports reaching here stated that "Tip" Blount carried a McDonald banner while Corey manipulated a drum to attract attention.

Dr. and Mrs. John D. Biggs, of High Point, visited his mother, Mrs. Fannie S. Biggs, here this week.