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## BOARD MEETS TO BE HELD MONDAY AT USUAL TIME

### County and Town Officials Will Carry On Despite Holiday for Others

The Martin County commissioners will not vary from their regular meeting schedule this month, Mr. J. E. Pope, chairman of the board, stating yesterday that the regular session would be held next Monday. All other business offices and stores will be closed that day, and it is understood that no meeting of the Martin County Board of Education will be held. The education body will likely hold a meeting later in the month, it was said.

Mayor J. L. Hassell said this morning that the town commissioners would hold their meeting at 8 p. m. Monday after the regular schedule. Present indications point to short sessions for both the county and town commissioners, the clerks of the two boards explaining that very little routine business is scheduled and that no new business is expected to come up for consideration.

Budget estimates for the county's new fiscal year are being prepared, but they are not likely to be ready for consideration until later in the month, it was learned.

Other than the meeting of the commissioners, there will be very little activity around the courthouse next Monday, as most of the other offices will be closed, and it is probable that the authorities will quit work in time to attend the ball game that afternoon, leaving the courthouse deserted during the remainder of the day. Town offices will be closed Monday, but it could not be learned if those offices under federal supervision would take Saturday or Monday as a holiday.

## Get Pension Checks For County Widows Civil War Veterans

### Total of \$1,950 Being Distributed by Clerk of Superior Court

Twenty-one pension checks are being delivered to widows of Confederate widows in this county, Clerk of Court L. B. Wynne, who is making the distribution, explaining that most of the checks had already reached the owners. The nine class A widows received \$150 each or \$1,350, and the 12 class B widows received \$80 or \$960 each. For the first time since the pensions were provided, there wasn't a single veteran in this county to claim a check. The last payment was made to the estate of the late veteran D. F. Roberson in Robersonville last year.

Mrs. Mosella Roberson, given the rating of a class A widow since the last checks were delivered last December, died just a few weeks ago and never participated in the larger pension. The check is to be delivered to her estate.

Checks have been delivered to the following Class A widows:

Arcena Andrews, Mahalie J. Gurganus, Sarah A. Hoard, Virginia Perry, Helen A. Rhodes, Caroline Rogerson, Mary Thompson, Martha A. White. Since the checks were delivered, Mrs. Gurganus was taken ill and died.

Checks were also sent to class B widows as follows: Cressy L. Barnhill, Winnie Benjamin, Katherine Dixon, Martha Gurganus, Marj Nelson Jenkins, Lucy A. Mizelle, Martha J. Peel, Mary G. Perry, Martha E. Philpott, Allie Rickick, Irene A. Smith, Martha C. Walker.

## Lengthy Period for Balloting Saturday

Accepting the best authority on time, Martin County citizens will have exactly 14 hours and 26 minutes to cast their votes in the second primary Saturday, the sun rising at 4:51 and setting at 7:17 o'clock. Rumors have it that there will be a light vote in the county and state compared with the record of last month. However, several districts in the county are expected by some to increase their vote over that of June 6, and it may be that a flareback will take place in Hamilton and a sizeable vote result there. It was reported a few days ago that quite a few of the citizens in Hamilton precinct would not take any part in the election because of the trouble brewing there since the first primary on June 6. The snarl is thought have added a last-minute interest to the contest in that precinct.

## Construction Nears Finish on Several New County Schools

General construction is nearing completion on several new school buildings in the county this week, a representative of the contracting firm stating yesterday that the actual building work would probably be complete late today or tomorrow. It will be two or three weeks yet before the plumbing and heating and wiring work is completed, however.

Constructed in cooperation with

the Public Works Administration, the buildings will probably be inspected by government representatives and the county school authorities the latter part of this month. The building program now nearing completion includes a new high school building at Jamesville, an addition to the Farm Life school; a primary unit at Williamston; a colored graded school building at Robersonville, and a primary unit at Oak City.

## Sewing Rooms Now Under New Program

### FIX OPENING DATE

Opening dates for the various tobacco markets will be determined late this evening by the United States Tobacco Association in session this week at Hot Springs, Va. It is expected the beginning date in this belt will fall on or about September 1, or a few days later than the opening for last season.

Latest estimates on the tobacco crop in this section indicate a forty percent reduction in poundage and poor quality on an average.

## BENEFIT CHECKS ARE BEING SENT OUT THIS WEEK

### \$12,092 Distribution Being Mailed From County Agent's Office

Approximately \$12,092 in farm benefit checks are being distributed to Martin County farmers this week, leaving about \$2,904 due farmers in the form of tobacco adjustment payments, it was learned from Miss Mary Carstarphen, secretary in the county agent's office, yesterday.

The 11 corn-hog 1935 contract signers in the county received their second and final payment this week amounting to \$1,898.43. Approximately the same amount was received in the initial payment made some time ago, it was said.

The tobacco adjustment payments are being made to 153 of the 197 farmers meeting requirements of 1935 tobacco contracts. The 153 farmers were notified Wednesday to call for the \$10,194.49 awaiting them at the county courthouse. The remaining 44 checks, which will average about \$65 each, are expected here shortly, the agent's secretary explaining that the owners will be notified immediately upon arrival of the money when to call at the office. In the meantime, distribution of the approximately 12,000 benefit money is going forward very rapidly.

## Negro Returns Cow Stolen for Reward

Repenting after he had stolen a valuable milk cow from Dr. J. S. Rhodes last Monday night, W. Dave Melton, young colored man, returned the animal to the owner, and reported to the doctor that he had found and returned the cow to collect a \$2 reward. Officers investigated the case, and upon close questioning Melton admitted he stole the cow upon the promise of a white man that he would pay him \$10 for her. The negro said the man's name was Purvis, that he was a stranger. Officers are investigating this angle of the case further, but no developments have been reported.

Melton is believed to have made up his mind to return the cow when some one saw him leading her through the woods near here Tuesday.

The negro is the same fellow who was mixed up in the killing of another colored man, Henry Lanier, here a few months ago.

Given a preliminary hearing before Justice J. L. Hassell here Wednesday, Melton was returned to jail unable to raise bond in the sum of \$200.

## Baptists Announce Service Schedule for Next Sunday

Bible school, 9:45 a. m. Morning worship, 11 o'clock. B. T. U., 7:00 p. m. Evening worship at the Episcopal church at 8 o'clock.

## More Definite Goal Under New Set-Up, Supervisor States

### Project Recognized Among Best Handled In This County Recently

After a period of uncertainty, the sewing room projects, operated through the Works Progress Administration, are now being handled under a new program and with more of a definite goal than was the case heretofore, it was learned yesterday from Miss Ella Mae Gaylord, supervisor of the five sewing rooms in this county. Arrangements for handling the project under the new program are now going forward rapidly, the success of the venture depending to some extent on the cooperation by county authorities, civic and other organizations in the county, it was explained. The new program, going into effect this month, requires the sponsors to furnish threads, button, snaps, tape, building and machine rents and fuel, or about 30 per cent of the project expense. Kiwanis and other civic clubs, the Red Cross and individuals are urged to participate in the movement.

The new program for operating the rooms was outlined at a WPA institute for women held in Elizabeth City recently. Training courses were discussed to supplement the actual sewing projects, Miss Gaylord stating that about one hour each day would be used in instructing the workers in making and caring for clothing, the preparation of food, health, home improvement and gardening. The supplemental program will not greatly interfere with the production of the sewing rooms, it was pointed out. Briefly stated, the sewing rooms will be a center of instruction, as well as one for production of wearing apparel.

The importance of the sewing room projects is borne out in a progress report released the first of this month. Since last November 7, the five sewing rooms in this county turned out 14,159 garments, including women's suits, dresses, slips, gowns and other articles, and sun and play suits, rompers, men's overalls and jumpers, pajamas, towels, quilts, rugs, sheets, and pillow slips. During that time employment was provided for as many as 123 women, the average being around 90. The complete cost of the sewing rooms for the eight months period was \$17,256.80, or about \$2,000 a month. Work about 32 hours each week, the employees received about \$6.40 a week.

The sewing rooms and the National Youth Administration movement have been recognized as two of the most beneficial projects undertaken in the entire relief program in this county, and it is hoped that the county authorities, civic organizations and individuals will get behind the new program and assure its continuance. Pledged support now will mean employment for needy families for at least six more months and probably for an entire year.

### Attends Son's Wedding

Mr. W. R. Roberson was here a short while yesterday on his way to his home in Jamesville after attending the wedding of his son, W. R. Roberson, Jr., to Miss Helen Thriver of New York, in New York, last Tuesday by Rev. Mr. Caldwell, Methodist minister there. Mrs. Roberson is the daughter of Mr. Chas. Thriver, of Brooklyn. The young couple are spending a few days in this county.

### Dr. J. H. Saunders Some Better

The condition of Dr. Jos. H. Saunders, who is in a hospital at Washington for treatment, was reported some better late yesterday afternoon.

## MARTINS BACK IN TIE FOR SECOND PLACE IN LEAGUE

### Break Losing Streak When Kinston Is Turned Back 11 To 4 Wednesday

The Martins, after dropping three games in a row and falling to third place, broke their losing streak here Wednesday afternoon, when they turned Kinston back in a big way. The lone victory and losses for Ayden and Greenville gave Williamston a claim to second position, and cut the Greensies' lead to a game and a half.

The 11-to-4 win was featured by the heavy hitting of the locals, who made 14 hits count for 11 runs. Home runs by Walters and Douglass with one on each time featured the attack. Livengood held the visitors to 9 hits, one a homer by Garner in the ninth.

Just the day before, the Martins dropped a hard game to the Eagles at Kinston 8 to 7 after struggling along for 11 innings. An error in the eleventh frame ended the game and represented just another one of the many bad breaks the Martins received during the day. Douglass, with three hits, and Black and House with two each, led at bat for the Martins.

Goldsboro is playing the locals here this afternoon, and tomorrow afternoon the Martins go to Tarboro. Sunday, Kinston meets the Martins here for another game, and on Monday Tarboro comes here for the holiday game.

## FARM PROGRAM IS ENDORSED AT BUREAU MEETING

### Favor Closing of Markets If Prices Are Low This Fall

Meeting in the county courthouse here several days ago, directors of the Martin County unit of the State Farm-Bureau-Federation went on record as favoring the close of the tobacco markets in late summer and early fall if tobacco prices are not above parity level, the bureau directors adding that they would favor keeping the markets closed "until farmers, government, and buyers agree on plans and policies for parity prices."

The proposed farm legislative program receiving the endorsement by the Martin County unit follows:

1. Plans for action in case tobacco price levels are below parity when market opens in 1936:
- (a) Close markets.
- (b) Keep them closed until farmers, Government and buyers agree on plans and policies for parity prices.
2. Adequate legislation to control movement of scrap tobacco.
3. State compact legislation in conjunction with tobacco states to control acreage planted and pounds sold in excess of quota to balance supply with demand by penalizing excess. Administration of act by State Extension service and farmer-selected committees in cooperation with U. S. Department of Agriculture.
4. Passage of law required by Federal government for states to participate in Federal Soil Conservation Act, by 1937 legislation.
5. Adequate appropriations for Agriculture Extension Work and Vocational Agriculture.
6. Adequate road fund set aside for farm to market roads.

### National Farm Program

1. Interstate Commerce Act to protect tobacco allotments of compacting states.
2. Adequate Federal appropriations for soil conservation program.
3. Protection of cotton price levels through sufficient commodity loans on cotton.
4. Continuation of diversion payment on peanuts to maintain parity price level.
5. Poundage allotment for potato production with special price per pound on acreage allotment diverted.

## Union Church Services Begin Sunday Evening

Following the custom of the several churches of the town for the past few years, there will be union services at night during July and August. The first of these services will be held in the Episcopal church this Sunday at 8 p. m.

It is hoped that the attendance at these services will be larger than if each church held its services separately, and that this opportunity to visit other churches will promote Christian fellowship and cooperation.

## County Voters Have Only State Ticket for Consideration at Polls Tomorrow; Light Vote Expected

### Business as Usual Saturday; Everything To Close Monday

Other than a baseball game here Monday afternoon between Tarboro and the Martins, no set program has been advanced for the observance of the signing of the Declaration of Independence. The day, generally set apart for observing the historic occasion, will be just another day, the stores and business houses continuing activities as usual on Saturday. Next Monday will be observed as a holiday throughout the business life of the community, and farmers and others, weather and farm conditions permitting, are expected here for the ball game.

The attention of shoppers is a gain called to the change in the holiday schedule. Business houses will remain open Saturday as usual, but will be closed all day next Monday.

That distribution might be handled in the rural centers of this county before next Monday, the publication schedule of The Enterprise has been moved up almost one day. Rural deliveries are being effected today since Uncle Sam and his postal workers will be taking a holiday tomorrow.

The paper will make its next appearance on regular schedule next Tuesday afternoon at 3:00 o'clock.

## Election Returns To Be Given by Paper

### Tabulation Will Be Made by Enterprise Force for County

### County Count Should Be In Not Later Than 10:00 Tomorrow Night

The Enterprise is making arrangements to tabulate the county vote and post the state returns following the close of the polls in the second primary tomorrow evening.

With only three contests for the pollholders to handle, the returns for this county should be fairly complete by 10 o'clock. However, there are congested tickets to be handled in many counties and naturally returns from over the state will come in slow, it is believed.

However, a fairly definite trend as to the outcome in the race for governor should be taking form before such a very late hour.

The Enterprise, in calling on the election officials in the 12 precincts to again cooperate by rushing their returns in tomorrow, extends its cordial thanks for the splendid response received in tabulating the June 6 vote. Martin was among the very first counties in the state to file a complete report, and the returns were almost accurate for every contest.

The paper will post the returns as rapidly as they are received, and will gladly handle direct calls, but telephone connections will be thick and fast while the returns are coming in, and those who would wish to call are requested to wait until about 10 o'clock, or after the returns are handled in their entirety.

## Heavy Rainfall Is Recorded in June

After a dry season of several weeks, the rains came just about all at one time last month, the weather station here reporting 7.46 inches during the period, or the largest rainfall in this section for any month so far this year, and the heaviest for any June in six years. The rainfall last month was the heaviest since last July, the month having one of the heaviest rainfalls on record at the local station.

And this July was off to a good start to equal if not pass the last July rainfall record, the station here reporting nearly two inches of rain last Wednesday evening. To the south of Williamston, farmers report just a moderate rain, stating that they had just about one-half as much as was reported by the station here. Reports from Bertie maintain that nearly twice as much rain fell there than here. Most sections have had too much rain, while others report very favorable seasons.

No hail or wind damage was reported following the heavy wind and electrical storm in this section last Wednesday night, but unofficial reports stated that parts of Bertie and Hertford Counties bore the brunt of the storm and considerable damage resulted to crops and property.

A victim of neuritis, Mr. Geo. H. Harrison has been confined to his bed several days this week. He is reported some better and is expected out shortly.

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## EIGHT CASES IN COUNTY COURT TRIED TUESDAY

### Docket Is Cleared To Make Ready for Celebrators After Fourth

Calling only eight cases for trial Tuesday, Judge H. O. Peel completed the work of the county recorder's court in a comparatively short time, making sure that the docket was cleared and everything placed in readiness for a clean-up following celebrations next week-end.

Charged with operating an automobile while his license was suspended and with speeding, James Whitfield was fined \$50 and taxed with the cost.

William Henry Roberson was found not guilty in the case charging him with violating the liquor laws.

Jesse Rogers, charged with violating the liquor laws, was sentenced to the roads for six months, Judge Peel withholding sentence upon condition that Rogers pay a fine of \$50 and cost of the action.

Judgment was suspended upon payment of the cost in the case charging Fannie Ruffin with violating the liquor laws.

Bollie Council was fined \$50 and had his license revoked for drunken automobile driving.

Joe Purvis, jr., was directed to pay \$2 a month to the prosecuting witness in the case charging him with bastardy.

Sentenced to the roads for three months for drunken automobile driving, Roy Strawbridge was released upon condition he leave the State and remain away for at least two years.

Probable cause of guilt was found in the case charging Jack Oakley with arson, and the case was sent to the higher court for trial with the defendant under a \$500 bond.

## Services at the Episcopal Church, Sunday July 5th

Rev. E. F. Moseley, Rector Fourth Sunday after Trinity. Church school, 9:45 a. m. Holy communion and sermon, 11 o'clock a. m. Evening prayer and sermon at 8 o'clock.

### Condition Mr. Hodges Worse

The condition of Mr. F. K. Hodges was reported much worse by a Washington hospital where he has been with a fractured hip since last February.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Chase and son left yesterday for Kilmarnock, Va., where they will visit relatives for a few days.

## Race for Governor Overshadows Other Contests in Interest

### Interest Centering Around Race For Vote Given Sandy Graham

A short ticket will be before the voters of this county tomorrow, the ballot carrying the names of only six candidates, as against 33 in the first primary just 30 days ago. The three contests include those for governor, lieutenant governor, and secretary of state. The first contest overshadows the other two, but the last two will show a sizeable vote on the interest strength of the first. The ballot tomorrow will look something like this:

- For Governor (Vote for One)
- CLYDE R. HOEY
  - Dr. RALPH W. McDONALD
- For Lieutenant Governor (Vote for One)
- PAUL GRADY
  - WILKINS P. HORTON
- For Secretary of State (Vote for One)
- STACEY W. WADE
  - THAD EURE

In the first primary this county accorded the six candidates votes as follows: McDonald, 1,312; Hoey, 811; Grady, 1,412; Horton, 542; Eure, 1,400; Wade, 991. The state vote for the same candidates in the first primary follows: McDonald, 189,504; Hoey, 193,972; Grady, 162,221; Horton, 138,631; Wade 212, 687; Eure, 168,970.

Graham polled for governor in this county last June 6, 970 votes; and 126,782 in the state; it is around this vote that the battle for governor is now raging.

In the first primary, J. W. Bailey was nominated for United States Senator; George Ross Pou for auditor; Charles M. Johnson for treasurer; Clyde A. Erwin for superintendent of public instruction; and W. Kerr Scott for commissioner of agriculture.

## To Perfect County Soil Program Unit At Meeting Friday

### Nine District Chairmen To Become Directors of County Group

Final steps for perfecting organizations to handle the soil conservation program in this county will be taken Friday evening at 8 o'clock, when district chairmen meet in the county courthouse and elect a president, vice president and member for the county unit or board, Assistant Agent M. L. Barnes said yesterday. Nine district chairmen will become directors of the county board, and they will choose officers from their own ranks.

The three men chosen at the county meeting will automatically be relieved from further duty in their respective districts, the vice chairman becoming chairman, the regular member becoming vice chairman and the alternate gaining the status of a full-fledged district committee-man, it was explained.

A tobacco organization for the county, to be formed from the representatives chosen in the districts, will not be perfected just now, the assistant agent explaining that the representatives would be called into session within the next few days.

Rained out Wednesday evening, the organization meeting at Everetts is being held there this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

## Health Report for June Is Submitted

June was apparently a healthy month in this county or else the contagious diseases just did not get reported to the proper authorities. It was learned from a review of the health records in the office of the county health officer for the period. Only two cases of contagious diseases were reported, and both were in Williamston Township. A small colored child was a diphtheria victim, and a white child had chicken-pox.