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Martins Make It 5 in Row by Win Over Goldbugs Thursday

Rollins Figures In Four of Martins' Five Straight Victories

Art Hauger's Martins tightened their hold on the lead position in the Coastal Plain League this week when they turned in their fifth straight win yesterday against Goldboro, runner-up, by a 3-2 score. Jim Rollins featured in four of the victories with his relief pitching, and his batting escapade over in Kinston Wednesday afternoon added to his well-earned laurels. Charlie Stevens gave a good account of himself with the stick this week, and featured with Artie Deim in the defense play.

Irvin Biggie, new moundsman sent here by the St. Louis Browns from their Johnstown, Pa., farm, started for the Martins against the Eagles over in Kinston Wednesday, but was relieved by Rollins in the second. Big Jim settled down after the third inning to hold the Eagles hitless during the remainder of the game and feature the 11-9 victory. Stevens set the game on fire in the first frame when he homered with three on. He hit for the circuit again in the third, and Rollins took over in the fourth with a four-base knock and a duplication in the ninth. The pitcher, hitting 3 for 3, barely missed batting another home run in the sixth, when he hit a ball that bounded back in the park from the top of the centerfield fence.

Umpires had an off-day, and their decisions brought strenuous objections from fans on all sides. McCay, after carrying Kinston's second baseman half way around the diamond, dumped him in rounding third base and Cottrell ordered him out of the game. Skipper Hauger objected, and he, too, was ordered out of the park. It was quite an exciting time, the boys explained. Rollins struck out 12, including 7 of the last 9 men to face him in the game.

Last Tuesday, the Martins tied a 3-run lead in the sixth and added 2 more runs in the eighth to get a 5-4 decision over Kinston on the local lot. Strunk held the visitors to 8 hits in 6 1-3 innings and Jim Rollins went in with the bases full and none out, retired the side without a run and pitched hitless ball the rest of the way. Strunk, with a single, started the attack that netted three runs and tied the score in the sixth. Stanley's two singles figured prominently in the scoring for the locals in both the sixth and eighth innings.

Grant Jefferson, the young fellow who held Goldsboro to 2 hits the middle of last month, started out to duplicate and even better that record here yesterday afternoon against the Bugs. He held the visitors hitless during the first five innings and only two singles were charged to him when he was relieved in the eighth by Rollins, who, as usual, turned in hitless ball for the balance of the game. Adamcik and Balla, with a single each, accounted for all the hits for the visitors; Ledbetter, Deim and Lakotas, with two safeties each, featuring the attack for the Martins in the 3-2 win that increased Williamston's margin in the league race.

Next Monday the Martins go to Tarboro to play off a tie game, and Kinston and Williamston are scheduled to play off a rained-out game here Monday week.

Gets Road Sentences for Trespass in Private Home

J. E. Broach, transient timer, was sentenced by Justice J. L. Hassell here last night to 30 days on a trespass charge. Broach was arrested early yesterday morning by local police when he got drunk and wandered into the Joe Cowen home on Main Street. The man is said to have entered a room where members of the family were sleeping about 3 o'clock in the morning. He looked around until he found a place to lie down and retired on a divan. Police were called and he was removed to the county jail. At the trial last night, Broach claimed he knew nothing of his escapade.

Club Tour Open To Ten Non-members, Agent Says

There are openings for at least 10 additional people who care to go on the tour to Asheville next Thursday with members of Martin Home Demonstration clubs, Miss L. E. Sleeper, agent, said today. The tour is open to non-club members, as well as to regular members, and applications should be filed at once with the agent.

Commercial Department for Local School Is Being Sought

Meeting in regular session next Monday, the Martin County Board of Education will handle a number of routine matters and hear requests for the establishment of a commercial department in the Williamston High School. The board, composed of Messrs. E. H. Ange and Joseph F. Martin, of Jamesville; George Griffin, of Griffins; J. D. Woolard, chairman, of Williamston; and J. W. Eubanks, of Hassell, is to meet at 10 o'clock.

Representatives of the local parent-teacher association, the district

Ten Cases Disposed Of Monday by Judge In Recorder's Court

First Session in Two Weeks Sees Comparatively Few Cases on Docket

Judge H. O. Peel handled 10 cases in the county court Monday, the docket carrying a comparatively small number of actions despite the fact that the court had not been in session in two weeks.

Changing its sittings from Tuesday to Monday the early part of the year to accommodate members of the county bar who were in the State General Assembly, the court is due to return to its old schedule next week. However, the court and its officers think Monday is a better day for handling its work, and it is understood that the present schedule for holding the court on Mondays will be continued in effect.

Cases called by Judge Peel and prosecuted by Assistant Solicitor R. L. Coburn were:

Owen Jones pleaded not guilty to the charge of drunken automobile driving and the court continued the case under prayer for judgment until next Monday.

Walter Keel, charged with drunk driving and operating a vehicle without a driver's license, was found not guilty.

Charged with drunken driving and operating a car without a driver's license, Louise Best, colored woman, through her attorney, Carter Studert, pleaded not guilty on the first count, but pleaded guilty of operating a car without a driver's license. The court found her not guilty of drunken driving and suspended judgment upon payment of cost in the second case.

J. B. Purvis, charged with reckless driving, was found not guilty. Curtis Rhodes, charged with drunken driving and an assault, was sentenced to the roads for three months in the first case and 30 days in the second, the sentences to run concurrently.

Marshall Corey was fined \$25 and taxed with the cost in the case charging him with an assault with a deadly weapon. Corey was prosecuting witness in an assault case against James A. Roberson, and the court, on finding facts of prosecution were frivolous and malicious and not required by the public interest, taxed the case cost against Corey. Notice of appeal was given, the court requiring bond in the sum of \$50.

Rick Carson was found guilty of illegal possession of liquor, the court continuing the case under prayer for judgment until the first Monday in January, 1938.

The case charging Lin Williams with violating the liquor laws was thrown out of court.

Officer's Assailant Surrenders Here

Ed Burnett, Goose Nest Negro who attacked Special Enforcement Officer J. H. Roebuck there last Saturday afternoon, was jailed here early today. Officers went to his home about 2 o'clock this morning, and Burnett, after living in the woods for several days and leaving the officers were so close on his trail, surrendered. Joe Gainer, companion of Burnett in the attack upon the officer, continues at large, but his arrest is expected shortly.

The officer was overpowered by Burnett and Gainer while searching for liquor at the Burnett home. Burnett ran into the woods back of his home and was caught there by the officer. Gainer slipped up unnoticed and he, with Burnett, attacked the officer and relieved him of his gun and they escaped. No one was directed at the officer, but his hands were bruised as Gainer twisted the pistol from his hands.

Local Kiwanis Club Sponsors Clean-Up And Added Teacher

No Definite Plan Outlined For Advancing County Clean-up Drive

The Kiwanis Club, at its regular meeting last night, went on record as approving efforts to secure a commercial course for the local high school and agreed to lend its support to the clean-up movement now underway over the county after an appeal for club cooperation from Miss Lora E. Sleeper, county home demonstration agent.

President Elbert S. Peel indicated after the meeting that the club would have a delegation attend the meeting of the county board of education Monday to lend its influence to the movement, sponsored by the local parent-teacher association and the district school committee, to secure the commercial course here.

County Superintendent James C. Manning explained the cost of the course would be around \$1,300 for the first term and after that about \$500 per year.

Miss Sleeper outlined the plan of campaign for cleaning up in some detail, explaining that the movement this year will not be limited to one week, but will continue for two months. She asked the club to lend its aid by the appointment of several committees to look after various phases of the work and it was indicated her request would be carried out, although, due to the shortness of time, the committees were not named last night.

Emphasis was laid upon the elimination of unsightly eyesores along the approaches to the town and local merchants were also asked to clean up their back lots in the interest of both health and appearance. Mayor John L. Hassell, in his introductory remarks, assured the cooperation of the town, particularly in the prompt removal of trash and garbage.

Services were conducted yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock from the late home by her pastor, Rev. W. B. Harrington. Interment followed in the old Modlin family burial ground in Jamesville Township.

First Shipments of Land Plaster Made

The first shipments of land plaster ever crushed in this state are moving out of the plant of the Standard Fertilizer Company on Roanoke River. Nearly 1,000 tons of the snow-white substance has already been crushed at the plant and additional shipments of the Nova Scotia rock are en route to the factory. Individual shipments are moving fairly slowly at this time, but a shipping rush is expected to get underway shortly.

The landplaster mill is the only one operating in this state, and one of the few operating in the country outside of Norfolk.

To Alter W. D. Ambers Pressing Club Next Week

Extensive alterations will be made to the building occupied by the W. D. Ambers Pressing Club next week, Mr. Ambers stating that it will be necessary to suspend operations during next week, but that the plant would be back in service the latter part or early the following week.

Local Boys Graduated at Fishburne Military School

Charles Milton James and Howard B. Cone were graduated with honors at Fishburne Military school, Waynesboro, Va., this week. Young James was one of 38 cadets receiving a conduct medal, Captain Elliott Fishburne, of the school, said.

Rotenone Dust Aids In Control Cabbage Worms

Rotenone dust will, in all probability, give the best control for the cabbage worm. The dust should contain about 75 percent of the rotenone and the first application should be made just as soon as you see the first small white butterfly in the cabbage field. Dust as often as worms are found and be sure an et of the dust down into the center of the plants. This dust will also control bean beetles and should be applied when the first cluster of eggs are found on the under side of the bean leaves. For bean beetles the dust should be applied under the leaves and not on top.

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Work Frolic Planned To Complete Legion Hut Next Tuesday

Legion Auxiliary Members Will Serve Dinner To Building Workers

The combined forces of the John Walton Hassell American Legion Post personnel and a number of friends will undertake the completion of the Legion Hall on Watts Street here next Thursday, June 8. Anyone who wishes to contribute a day's work toward completing the structure will be welcomed and will be made a special guest at a big free dinner to be served that day. The lease on the Legion's old meeting place has expired, and it is hoped that after next Tuesday it will be possible for the post to establish itself in its new building.

The frame of the building is up and everything will be in readiness to put on the top and weatherboarding and complete the inside of the Auxiliary and Legion rooms and toilets.

One of the big features of the program will be a picnic dinner given and served by the auxiliary to all those who come and work.

Those in charge of the undertaking say that all who come need not be carpenters. There will be need for several laborers to help those who do carpenter work and many who can drive a nail can be used to assist carpenters. There are several whose work will not permit them to come. These are requested to send someone in their place.

Halifax Man Faces Charges in County

Gerald Whitaker, young Halifax County white man, was formally charged this week with enticing a young Hamilton girl from her home there the early part of last month. The case is set for trial in the county recorder's court at the session next Monday.

Charged with the theft of an automobile in Tarboro a few days before he came to this county, Whitaker was found guilty of temporary insanity, the courts suspending sentence in the case. The young man, returned to this county by Sheriff C. B. Roebuck, said that he had had three such sentences imposed him within the last year or two and that he believed he would be released under similar conditions in this county.

Over 100 Apply for Teaching Jobs in County School System

More than 100 applications have been filed by young men and women for positions in the several school faculties of the county during the past few days, according to information from the office of the county superintendent of schools. Applications have been received from as far away as Kentucky, it was stated.

Apparently there is a huge surplus of colored teachers in the county this season, the superintendent explaining that he had already received more applications from prospective colored teachers than ever before, and the period for hiring and firing is just getting underway.

Many of the applicants do not hold standard certificates, and there is some doubt if it will be possible to employ teachers with the highest ratings for all the positions made vacant by resignations in the county school system recently.

A number of applications will be considered at a meeting of the local district committee next Monday, when it is likely a principal will be named for the colored schools here.

The county board of education is expected to review some of the elections and possibly offer recommendations in a few cases.

County Board Likely To Discuss Tax Values

JUDGE JOHNSON

Judge A. Hall Johnson, of Asheville, will preside over the one-week term of superior court convening here June 14, it was announced today by the governor's office. Judge E. H. Cranmer, of Southport, was scheduled to hold the term of mixed court, but he will be unable to be here on account of illness, it was learned.

Judge Johnson was just recently appointed to the bench by Governor Hoey.

Increase in Number Children Present at Daily Bible School

First Week Activities Are Gratifying To Ministers And School Workers

The Daily Vacation Bible School, a cooperative effort on the part of the churches of Williamston, moves forward with results gratifying to ministers and workers assisting. Attendance records, as compiled by the general secretary, show a daily increase in all departments, the beginners having to date 30 students enrolled, an increase of 6 since the opening; the primary group having 52, an increase of 18; the juniors having 44, an increase of 7; and the intermediate having 41, an increase of 12. The present enrollment of adults is 11 teachers, 11 general workers, and 7 special workers. The total for the school to date is 167 students and 29 teachers and workers, a grand total of 196. This is 15 in excess of last year's enrollment for the same period.

Each department conducts its own worship and instructional services, further general meetings being postponed until rehearsals for commencement are held. The beginners regularly meet at the Methodist church, the primary group at the Episcopal church, the junior group at the Christian church, and the intermediate group at the Presbyterian church.

A special offering is taken each morning during the worship period or some missionary project, the object to be determined by the teachers of the school.

At 10:30 daily on the Methodist church lawn the school is served refreshment lemonade before the handicraft work for the girls and the baseball practice for the boys begin.

In the beginners' department, the teachers, Mrs. Herbert Taylor, Mrs. Cora Frank, Mrs. J. S. Luvengood, and Mrs. E. F. Coble, are assisted by Julia Everette, Lillian Vick Everett, Elva Mae Misnoe, and Helen Misnoe. In the primary department, the teachers, Miss Marguerite Cook, Mrs. H. O. Peele, and Mrs. W. H. Booker, are assisted by Mrs. Bascoe Rogerson, Theima Griffin and Doris Moore. In the junior department, the teachers, Misses Ruth Manning and Frances Bowen, are assisted by Addie Lee Meador and Mary Helen Joykin. In the intermediate department, the teachers, Miss Eva Irene Peelle and Mrs. E. M. Trahey, are assisted by Marie Hardison and Geneva Robertson. Special workers are: Rev. John L. Goff, Rev. J. H. Smith, Rev. E. F. Moseley, Mrs. R. I. Grant, Miss Eloise Perry, Miss Josephine Grant, Miss Jane Parker.

The commencement exercises of the school will be held at the close of the second week, giving a demonstration of the work being done in the several departments. At this time a special offering will be taken to defray expenses incurred by the school for actual necessities.

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Lengthy Session in Prospect Monday For Commissioners

Hamilton District Reports \$83,000 Gain in Values Over Last Year

Several important matters in addition to the regular routine schedule of duties will likely be discussed by the Martin County commissioners in regular session next Monday. It is thought the authorities will continue in meeting a greater part of the day, but final action will hardly be taken in any of them other than those coming under a routine head.

The commissioners will get their first peek-in on the 1937 property values when they meet Monday. Only one list, Hamilton township's, has been turned in, but several of the others, if not all of them, will likely be ready for inspection by the commissioners, who will take no action toward establishing a rate until the new budget for the fiscal year can be prepared and complaints are heard when they meet later in the month as a board of equalization and review. The date for hearing any appeals from valuations placed on property will be announced following the meeting next Monday. A revaluation of property was effected this year, and it is likely that many appeals will be noted by owners.

The list turned in for Hamilton Township this week shows a gain of about \$83,000 in values there, the gain ranging around 10 per cent over the listing for the year 1936.

Housing of the newly created full-time health service for the county will be given attention by the commissioners. Just now no definite plan has been advanced for locating the offices, but it is believed that arrangements can be possibly effected to house the health headquarters in the county courthouse.

Unrelenting Drive On Liquor Makers Shown by Report

Improved Attitude on Part of General Public Also Noted

The monthly report for May, filed this week by Special Officer J. H. Roebuck with the Martin County Alcoholic Beverages Control Board shows an unrelenting drive continues against the bootlegger and the illicit liquor business in this county. It was thought the officer established a record in April that could not be equalled, but the May report shows greater activities in all phases of control work, with one exception. During the first month the service was in effect, the officer captured and destroyed 15 illicit manufacturing plants. Last month 12 plants were destroyed.

Nearly 6,000 gallons of beer and 25 gallons of raw liquor were confiscated at plants and at distribution centers. Six arrests were made in addition to a large number of investigations that carried the officer into every district of the county. The officer encountered some strenuous opposition when raiding in the Palmyra section during the month, but the general public, its sentiment with the enforcement undertaking, lent its support in searching for two men who attacked the officer while in the performance of his duties. The stand of the public in this case is significant because at one time the officer would have stood almost alone in his work.

Governing Body of Town Enters Upon New Term Monday

Plan Reorganization Local Fire Department at Regular Session

Reflected the early part of last month, Williamston's old board of town commissioners will start a new term next Monday evening when they subscribe to the oath of office before L. B. Wynne, clerk of the Martin County Superior Court. The oath will be administered without strict formality, the commissioners immediately enter upon their duties following taking the oaths of office and perfecting their organization. A treasurer, clerk and mayor pro tempore will be named within the board-ranks.

The reorganization of the local volunteer fire department and the election of a police chief and subordinate officers are to be handled at the meeting in addition to routine business.

It was unofficially learned today that the reorganization of the fire department would receive minute attention, but that no changes in the police department are expected.

Dissatisfaction and the absence of leadership in the fire department, according to some, have about wrecked the local company in recent months, and it is understood that the town officials will stress a closer cooperation of all departments in an effort to reorganize the fire group possibly without effecting any changes in the personnel. In recent months the company has been handicapped in its work by the limitation placed on the number of members the company could carry on its rolls. Hardly enough firemen have reported for duty to carry out the apparatus in answering calls during recent weeks. It is understood that the town authorities will investigate the activities of the department with the view of improving the service of the company and enhancing the protection of property.

Mrs. Henrietta Clark Dies in Washington Hospital Thursday

Last Rites for Cross Roads Woman Will Be Held This Afternoon

Mrs. Henrietta Leggett Clark, member of a prominent Martin County family, died in a Washington hospital yesterday afternoon following an operation performed last Monday. She had been in declining health for several years and entered the hospital early this week for treatment and an operation. Death was attributed to a kidney trouble.

Mrs. Clark, widow of Augustus Clark, was born in the Leggetts Mill section of Cross Roads Township 67 years ago, the daughter of the late John Bryant Leggett and wife. In early womanhood she married Mr. Clark and one daughter, Mrs. Pete Wynne, of Cross Roads, survives. Mr. Clark fell fatally ill while visiting in Williamston 12 or 15 years ago.

The last member of her family, Mrs. Clark was highly respected in her community, where she enjoyed a large friendship. She was a member of the church at Cross Roads for nearly half a century, and was active in the religious affairs of her community.

Funeral services are being conducted this afternoon at 4:30 o'clock at the late home by Rev. J. M. Perry, Robinsonville minister. Burial will follow in the old family plot on the home farm.

Assistant To County Agent Here Named

J. F. Woodard, young Kenly man, has accepted the position of assistant Martin County farm agent, succeeding Lloyd T. Weeks, who resigned several weeks ago to go with the State Extension Service. Mr. Woodard, who is graduating with high honors in the State College agricultural school next Monday, has been here this week getting acquainted with his new work and expects to return the early part of next week after receiving his degree at the college in Raleigh. The young man comes here highly recommended as one who is vitally interested in agricultural work and its ever-present problems. He is chancellor of a national honorary society and was winner of the Danford Fellowship for 1936.