

Judge J. C. Smith Handles Eighteen Cases On Monday

Fines In County Court At Session Amounted To More Than \$500

Handling eighteen cases before a fair-sized number of spectators in less than three hours, Judge J. C. Smith in the Martin County Recorder's Court last Monday imposed fines amounting to more than \$500. Two or three cases were continued:

Proceedings:
In the case in which Major Pierce was charged with an assault, it appeared to the court that the prosecution was "frivolous and not required by the public interest" and the witness, Earl Jones, was taxed with the cost, the defendant going free.

Operating a motor vehicle without a driver's license, Herman Whitfield pleaded guilty and was sentenced to the roads for ninety days. The road term was suspended upon the payment of a \$50 fine and the court costs. The court recommended that no license be issued the defendant for one year.

The case charging Raymond D. Davis with drunken driving was continued for final verdict next Monday. Chester Mooring pleaded guilty and the case charging him with larceny was continued under prayer for judgment until August 30.

Pleading guilty of an assault with a deadly weapon, Walter Jones was sentenced to the roads for sixty days, the court suspending the road term upon the payment of a \$20 fine and costs.

Hardy Williams was sentenced to the roads for sixty days when he pleaded guilty of an assault with a deadly weapon. The road term was suspended upon the payment of a \$25 fine and costs.

Charged with an assault, Walter Wilkins pleaded guilty of simple assault and the plea was accepted by Solicitor Paul D. Robertson. The defendant was sentenced to the roads for thirty days, the court suspending the term upon the payment of the costs and a \$15 fine.

Pleading guilty of operating a motor vehicle without a license, Adrian L. Cobb was fined \$25 and taxed with the costs.

Charged with operating a motor vehicle without a driver's license, Sarah Jean Getsinger was fined \$25 and required to pay the costs.

Fred M. Harwood and Malcolm Herbert McWhorter, both charged with allowing unlicensed drivers to operate motor vehicles, were each fined \$25 and required to pay the costs.

George Wynne pleading guilty of disorderly conduct and resisting arrest, was sentenced to the roads for six months.

Probable cause of guilt appearing in the case charging him with larceny, Ananias Thompson was bound over to the county superior court for trial in September. Bond in the sum of \$200 was required.

Charged with larceny, George Green was bound over to the superior court for trial when probable cause of guilty was found.

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Band Parents Club Meets on Monday

The first meeting for the coming school year of the Band Parents Club will be held at the high school building Monday night at 8:30 for the purpose of electing officers and discussing plans for the year.

A rehearsal of the band is to be held during Monday evening and the meeting is to follow this rehearsal.

Among the major items of business to be taken up will be the matter of plans for a trip to a nearby town which the band has been invited to make. The invitation has been tentatively accepted and definite decision is to be made at the club meeting.

The rehearsal Monday will consist of both marching and playing, the musical part to be held in the auditorium after darkness ends the outdoor drills.

CITIZENS OF TOMORROW



The Enterprise takes much pleasure in presenting another in a picture series of this section's "citizens of tomorrow". So far none has figured prominently in public affairs, but as future citizens they have a tremendous assignment to handle in a muddled world. Certain they'll do a better job than has been done or is being done. The Enterprise presents the youngsters as the one great hope for the future.

Top Row, left to right, E. T., four, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Taylor, Williamston; Tommy, two, son of Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Manning, Williamston; Chloe Ann, three, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Gurkin, Williamston; Bottom row, R. J., eight, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Hardison, Williamston; Lina, nine, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Kirkman, Jamesville; and Alex II, nine, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alex Jones, Williamston.

DRAFT MEETING

Tentatively scheduled to meet in Davis' Pharmacy this evening at 8:00 o'clock, members of the newly created Martin County Draft Board—Eugene Rice, L. R. Everett and Chas. Gray—will discuss plans for a registration of 18-25 young men and name a board secretary.

Offices have been taken on the third floor of the City Hall, but they have not been occupied as yet. The board will decide whether to hold the registration in one center or handle it in various parts of the county.

1948 Town Taxes Are Now Payable

The nearly 1,500 Williamston town taxpayers will receive notices of their 1948 tax accounts the latter part of this week, Treasurer Dan Sharpe said today. The last of the notices are being prepared today and will be placed in the mails just as soon as envelopes are available.

The levy this year is approximately \$63,500 as compared with \$61,999 last year.

Accounts may be paid now at the treasurer's office and carry a two percent discount through September 1.

Examination For County Teachers

In accordance with state law, all school teachers must have health certificates before starting work week after next. The county health office will handle the examinations between 9:00 a. m. and 12:00 o'clock noon any day in the week except Sunday.

While the department is only interested in examining for communicable diseases, more thorough examinations can be arranged. Teachers, coming into the county for the first time, will be X-rayed, but those returning need not have X-rays made for tuberculosis.

All teachers residing in the county are asked to report for examinations as soon as possible.

4-H Dress Revue In Hut Saturday

The annual 4-H Dress Revue will be held on Saturday, August 21st, at 10:00 a. m. in the American Legion hut. There will be ten girls participating in this event. They are: Mary Ola Lilley, Lena Bennett, Edith Rogerson, Grace Rogerson, Peggy Joyce Coltrain, Evelyn Cowan, Margaret Andrews, Jean Coltrain, Dorothy Biggs, Mamie Clyde Knox, and possibly others. This revue will climax many hours of planning and hard work for each girl. The public is cordially invited to attend.

Price Average Is Upward For Most Types of Tobacco

Support Price Higher By As Much As Eight Cents On Some Grades

Although the Stabilization Cooperative Corporation support prices moved up by as much as eight cents a pound above 1947 figures for some grades, the open market recorded generally higher prices and on opening sales early today the cooperative got very little tobacco here.

Below is a comparison of the support prices, by grades, for 1947 and for this year:

Grade	1947	1948
A1L	68	70
A2L	64	68
A3L	60	66
A1F	68	68
A2F	62	66
A3F	56	60
A1R	58	62
A2R	54	56
A3R	50	52
B1L	58	62
B2L	54	58
B3L	48	52
B4L	44	48
B5L	38	42
B6L	28	32
B1F	54	60
B2F	48	54
B3F	44	48
B4F	38	42
B5F	30	32
B6F	22	24
B1R	50	52
B2R	42	44
B3R	36	36
B4R	28	28
B5R	22	22
B6R	16	16
B3D	32	32
B4D	24	24
B5D	18	18
B6D	14	14
B3LV	46	48
B4LV	40	42
B5LV	34	36
B3FV	42	44
B4FV	36	38
B5FV	26	28
B3FM	40	40
B4FM	34	34
B5FM	26	26
B4FK	28	30
B5FK	22	24
B4GL	32	36
B5GL	24	28
B6GL	18	22
B4GF	28	30
B5GF	22	24
B6GF	16	18
B4GR	22	22
B5GR	16	16
B6GR	12	12
H1L	60	66
H2L	56	64
H3L	52	60
H4L	46	52
H5L	40	48
H6L	30	38
H1F	56	62
H2F	52	60
H3F	48	54
H4F	42	48
H5F	36	42
H6F	26	32
H1R	50	54
H2R	46	50
H3R	40	44
H4R	34	38
H5R	28	32
H6R	24	24
C1L	62	68
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"Hot" Soft Ball Game Scheduled

Advance reports declare it'll be a hot time on the local high school diamond next Tuesday night at 8:00 o'clock when the law enforcement group in Beaufort County invades this territory to meet the Martin County gang in a soft ball game.

The line-up is to include just about all the officers in this county except Sheriff Charlie Roebuck who will lend his moral support to the Martins while keeping the rooters' bench warm.

There'll be no arguing among the umpires, players and fans since both ump, who hold ratings as experts, are deaf and dumb.

The Beaufort County team is well organized, while the officers in this county have had little practice. However, the Martin group is right good in making "catches."

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THE RECORD SPEAKS . . .

After holding to a count of one or two each week for months, the number of automobile accidents on Martin County highways are beginning to increase. However, the figures this year are not near as bad as they were for the corresponding week in last year when eight accidents were reported.

The following tabulations offer a comparison of the accident trend; first, by corresponding weeks in this year and last and for each year to the present time.

33rd Week				
Accidents Inj'd	Killed	Dam'ge	1948	1947
3	2	0	\$ 325	
8	4	0	1,310	
Comparisons To Date				
1948	85	43	2	18,850
1947	81	37	3	18,045

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Over Half-Million Pounds On Floors For The First Sales

Quality of Offerings Spotted But Better Than It Was A Year Ago

All opening-day price figures recorded since the market was established forty-six years ago were topped early this morning as the first tobacco sales got underway here. An early average, conservatively estimated on the basis of 100,000 pounds sold, stood above \$55.24, to be exact. And the price trend seemed to be strengthening shortly before the noon hour. The record average this morning is more than \$10 per hundred pounds higher than the one recorded a year ago, but hardly a dollar per hundred pounds higher than the \$54.26 reported on the opening day in 1946.

The market opened today with more than one-half million pounds of leaf on three warehouse floors, and it is likely that the block will be cleared by late tomorrow. However, comparatively light sales are predicted for next week since quite a few farmers are still harvesting the crop and others are just finishing the curing work, leaving little time so far for marketing preparations.

Sales were under way shortly after 9:00 o'clock this morning when Mayor Robt. Cowen welcomed the patrons and a record number of visitors. All buyers, including several new ones, were at their posts. Selling activities were stalled at times by the huge throngs milling in and out of the warehouse, but the organization started clicking and the sales were running smoothly in a matter of a few minutes.

The Stabilization Cooperative flag was flying at full mast early this morning, and had it not been there the early story from the market would have been of a different color. Buyers were hesitant at first and the government stepped in to claim many of the first piles offered for sale. Purchases by the Stabilization unit ran as high as 75 percent on the first several rows, but by 11:00 o'clock the regular companies, led possibly by Reynolds and Liggett, were bidding strongly and purchasing most of the offerings. The independents were in there bidding and they were getting some tobacco.

No sales were rejected, but observing the first several rows sold, some farmers advanced the opinion that the prices were not up to those reported on the border opening earlier this month. The first 6,316 pounds sold on the market here, including two or three piles of damaged leaf and several other piles of inferior quality, averaged slightly more than 51 cents. The next 5,392 pounds sold for an average of \$53.10. A temporary peak was reached when the next 4,866 pounds on the floor were sold for an average of \$56.20. In the next poundage there were several piles of last year's tobacco, and the average tumbled considerably, the 5,376 pounds selling for an average of \$49.50. Strange as it may seem, more farmers declared that the tobacco in that row sold better than any other up until that time. The prices were ranging well above the Stabilization support figures for most piles in that row.

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Greek Boy Writes His Appreciation For Old Clothing

Clothes Were Collected By Boy Scouts Here About Three Years Ago