

Forty-Six Cases Handled Monday In County Court

Twenty Cases Continued After Court Was In Ses- sion Most Of Day

Holding its first session since September 10, the Martin County Recorder's Court last Monday was literally "snowed under" with cases, and after holding the tribunal in session most of the day Judge R. T. Johnson and Solicitor Clarence Griffin continued twenty cases and quit until next Monday. Before quitting for the day, the court handled forty-six cases, including thirteen in which defendants were charged with speeding.

Several road sentences were imposed for violating the liquor laws, amounting to \$435. Quite a few of the cases continued involved alleged drunken driving. Several defendants, charged with drunken driving, asked for jury trials, their cases automatically going to the superior court docket for hearing in December.

Proceedings: Willie Junior Lawrence and Luther Strickland, charged with operating motor vehicles without driver's licenses, were each fined \$25, plus costs.

Pleading not guilty, Hubert Page was adjudged guilty of violating the motor vehicle laws, and was fined \$25, plus costs.

Failing to answer when called in the case in which she was charged with operating a motor vehicle without a driver's license, Delia Cross forfeited a \$50 cash bond.

Judgment was suspended upon the payment of the cost in the case in which Joe Yarrell was charged with operating a motor vehicle without a driver's license.

Frank O. Ussery and Eugene Rawls, charged with drunken driving, called for jury trials.

Pleading guilty of hit-and-run driving, J. E. Parrish was fined \$10, plus costs, the defendant explaining that property damages had been assumed.

The case in which Fitzhugh L. Boatwright was charged with careless and reckless driving, was not pressed or dismissed.

Judgment was suspended upon the payment of the costs in the case in which Moses Lee Anthony was charged with careless and reckless driving.

James Earl Mizelle was sentenced to the roads for ninety days.

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Painfully Cut In Unusual Accident

Mrs. J. C. Blanchard of Hertford was painfully cut about the head and hand while riding in an automobile between here and Everetts on Highway 64 late yesterday afternoon. Carried to Brown's Community Hospital, she was reported early today to be getting along very well.

Riding in the front seat of a coupe with Mr. Geo. White, also of Hertford, Mrs. Blanchard was cut on the forehead when a duck flew into and broke the windshield. Two cuts, almost forming a "T" were on the forehead and head and another was on the hand, requiring about fifteen stitches.

Returning to her home when the accident happened, Mrs. Blanchard now plans to go to Durham upon leaving the local hospital possibly tomorrow and visit with her daughter, Mrs. Marcus Hobbs.

YAM MARKET

The Martin County Yam Growers Association is opening the local market next Monday, it was announced this week. The market will be open each week day from 8:00 a. m. to 6:00 p. m.

One of the smallest crops is being produced in this area, and prices are certain to be higher than they were a year ago. Dry weather has affected the crop adversely during recent weeks, and it isn't likely that there'll be many potatoes offered during the next week or two.

Bath Facilities In Korea



Private First Class Eli D. Harrison, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Harrison, RFD 2, Williamston, North Carolina, cools off after a long, dusty patrol into enemy held territory. He is fighting with the 17th Infantry (Buffalo) Regiment on the central front. (U. S. Army photo by Sgt. Hal Randall.)

Complete Plans For The Jamesville Fair

EMERGENCY

The Tidewater Regional Blood Bank with headquarters in Norfolk and of which the Martin County Red Cross Chapter is a part, measured up perfectly in another emergency yesterday. Six pints of blood were needed badly, and in a little over an hour the life-saving blood was in the hospital here.

An airplane brought the blood from Norfolk and delivered it to Highway Patrolman R. P. Narron at the little airport between here and Windsor. Last reports said the patients, a mother and baby, were getting along all right.

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Concert Tickets Placed In Mails

Membership tickets in the Martin County Community Concert Association for the 1951-52 season are being put in the mails today. The association is very proud to announce that the following artists have been secured for the ensuing concert year:

Nov. 20, 1951—The Teltschiks—Alfred and Herbert of Texas. This is a very fine duo piano team who bring with them their own concert grand pianos. The Teltschiks are a young, brilliant, self-contained team-embodiment in their playing and interpretations a rich quality, vision and unlimited wealth of expression.

Jan. 25, 1952—Michael Rhodes—a 26 year old baritone, who got off to a singing career at fifteen with NBC. After three years in the army, he returned to his career and last year was with New York Philharmonic Symphony. He was also soloist under Stokowski.

April 21, 1952—John Sebastian—Harmonica. Sebastian is a supreme entertainer and a fine musician who has proved that the harmonica is as valid a concert instrument as the piano or violin.

The last two concerts will also feature concert grand pianos and very capable accompanists. The concert drive held in the spring was a big success, and the approximately 500 membership ticket holders are in for a season of fine entertainment. These tickets are also good for other engagements wherever Community concerts are held.—Reported.

Clubs Sponsoring Community Event There Next Week

Big Day Falls On Friday Of Next Week With Parade And Speaking

Plans were announced just about complete today for holding Jamesville's third annual community fair next week. Sponsored by the Jamesville Ruritan Club in cooperation with the Woman's Club, the event is already attracting more attention than either of the other two and is being anticipated with much interest. Keen competition in the exhibit hall has already developed, and special entertainment is being planned.

While Friday, October 12, will be the big day, the fair committee is featuring rides during the week. Several rides will be operated during the week, and a free show will be presented at 7:00 and 9:00 o'clock next Wednesday night.

The fair this year will feature several new exhibits, including those by family groups, pastry exhibits, miscellaneous displays, garden crops and projects by the Girl Scouts and others. During the past two years, the fair has offered exhibits equaling those anywhere, including farm crops, canned goods, home-made clothing, antiques, swine, dairy and beef cattle, and displays by the North Carolina Forest Service Woman's Club, Veterans' Farm Training Program, Future Farmers of America, Future Homemakers of America, Beta Club, High and Elementary School, Parents-Teachers Association, and displays by machinery manufacturers and dealers and other commercial showings.

The big day, October 12, will feature a parade, led by the Williamston High School Band.

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Left Leg Amputated In Rocky Mount Hospital

Suffering a circulatory ailment, Mr. Claude B. Clark, Sr., local druggist, last Friday entered a Rocky Mount hospital and had his left leg amputated above the knee this morning. Reports reaching here shortly before noon stated he stood the operation all right and was getting along very well.

Jurors Drawn For November Service In Superior Court

List of Fifty-Six Includes Few Women and Sever- al Negro Citizens

Fifty-six Martin County citizens, including a few women and several Negroes, have been drawn for jury duty during the two-week term of the Martin County Superior Court, opening on Monday, November 19.

No judge has been assigned to the court, but Supreme Court Justice Devin is expected to make an assignment well ahead of the court next month.

The first week of the term runs head on into Thanksgiving, and while no calendar has yet been prepared, it is likely that few cases, other than divorce actions, will be scheduled for trial that week.

Names of the jurors drawn by the county commissioners in recent session, include:

First Week
Jamesville Township: C. C. Gurkin, O. C. Barber and Grady H. Davenport.
Williams Township: Asa L. Moore.
Griffins Township: Russell Perry, Harry M. Peel and A. L. Robertson.

Bear Grass Township: Grover Bowen, O. R. Revels, Willie A. Leggett and LeRoy Harrison.

Williamston Township: Jesse F. Robertson, W. H. Abernathy, J. Theodore Gurganus, Mrs. D. V. Clayton, Wm. J. Morris and R. V. Bunting.

Cross Roads Township: G. H. Forbes and W. L. Ausborn.
Robersonville Township: James A. Cherry, C. L. Green, Jr., and M. C. House.

Hamilton Township: A. S. Robertson, Jr., Johnnie Bland, Stanley A. Ayers, D. G. Matthews, Geo. A. Oglesby and F. D. Hudgins.

Second Week
Jamesville Township: T. V. Davis, Ben Gray Lilley, C. W. Moore, David Ange and R. C. Sexton.
Williams Township: Frank Hopkins.

Griffins Township: Ira F. Griffin.

Williamston Township: Simon E. Perry, Jr., D. E. Darden, Perry E. Odum, Elton Hardy, Archie Mizelle, William H. Sessoms, James Aaron Brown, Mrs. W. E. Dunn, Frank Weston and James A. Critcher.

Cross Roads Township: George (Continued on Page Three)

Working For New North-South Road

Robert B. Nelson, county man, is traveling up and down North Carolina petitioning various county and town authorities for support of a newly proposed north-south highway route.

Known as U. S. Highway 13, the route originates in Canada and moves inland to a point near Portsmouth where it stops. Nelson is working to have the route extended southward to Windsor, Williamston, Robersonville, Stokes, Greenville, Winterville, Ayden, Griffon, Kinston, Seven Springs, Mt. Olive, Raizen, Elizabethtown, Lumberton, Fairmont and on to the South Carolina line.

At the request of Mr. Nelson, several official boards, including the Martin County Commission, Williamston's town board and others have already officially recommended to the North Carolina Highway and Public Works Commission that No. 13 be designated as a new north-south route.

OFFICERS

In a recent meeting of the members of the local Woman's Club the following officers were elected: Mrs. Martin P. Moore, president; Miss Irene Tetterton, first vice president; Mrs. George H. Gurganus, second vice president; Mrs. H. E. Harrington, recording secretary; Mrs. Sarah R. Manning, corresponding secretary; and Mrs. Arline Harrison, treasurer.

Youth Center Will Be Opened Friday

The Youth Recreation Center for Williamston teen agers will be reopened in the American Legion hut on Watts Street Friday evening of this week at 8:00 o'clock, it was decided at a meeting of the Recreation Committee with interested parents and friends at the courthouse last evening. Present plans call for the center to be open on three nights of each week during the school term with other arrangements to be worked out later.

First step toward opening the center was made after the meeting when Chairman Ben D. Courtney named Bill Glover, Marvin Britton and Hack Gaylord as a committee to work with him in arranging for the first evening's program on Friday night. Hours are to be from 8 to 11 on Friday and Saturday and 8:30 to 10:30 on Sunday evenings, except that on nights when home football or basketball games are being played at the school, the center will be open after the conclusion of the game until 11 p. m.

Volunteer supervision by parents and adult friends is to be arranged by circles and groups in the various churches, under the plan proposed last night. To get the program under way immediately three couples volunteered to serve this week-end. Mr. and Mrs. D. R. Davis are to be at the center Friday evening, Mr. and Mrs. Meyer M. Levin on Saturday evening and Mr. and Mrs. B. G. Stewart on Sunday evening.

On motion by Rush Bondurant and seconded by Mrs. Bondurant, the group agreed to ask representatives of each church to contact the responsible person or persons in their church to get them to agree to be responsible for supervision of the center for four-week periods on a rotation basis. The groups are to report back to Chairman Courtney and a rotation schedule will then be set up.

In the meantime members of the committee are to take up with students at the high school the proposition of having each home room be responsible for the activities at the center for one month of the year. There are 12 home rooms in the high school. In this way the children would have a voice in the actual operation of the center and feel that it really belonged to them, it was suggested.

Since the committee has but a little over \$200 in cash on hand, a paid worker for the center appears out of the question, it was noted, although some still felt it was necessary to have paid personnel at the center. The money on hand will pay for incidentals and lights and heat for a year if the cooperation of the parents and children can be obtained, one of the committee members pointed out. (Continued on Page Three)

Committeemen To Meet Here Friday

County Committeemen of the Farmers Home Administration from eight east Carolina counties will hold a one day training meeting in Williamston Friday, it was announced by James C. Eubanks, County Supervisor. The Farmers Home Administration is authorized to make loans for Tenant Purchase, Farm Development, Farm Enlargement, Farm Housing, and Adjustments needed, and no loan can be made without the written approval of the committee. Each county has a committee composed of three men, two of which must be farmers.

At the meeting here Friday the committeemen will be given the F.H.A.'s policy for another year regarding the making of loans, and their duty and responsibility in approving applicants and certifying to farms on which loans are to be made.

County Committeemen and County Supervisors will be here from Martin, Pitt, Halifax, Washington, Edgecombe, Hyde, Bertie, and Beaufort Counties. Mr. Marion C. Holland, State Field Representative, from Goldsboro will be in charge of the meeting, assisted by Mr. Vance E. Swift, Assistant State Director in charge of FO, from Raleigh, and Mr. David G. Modlin, Appraiser-Engineer, from Williamston.

Petition Demanding End To Segregation Answered

The petition, signed by twenty-one Martin County Negroes and submitted by a Negro lawyer of Raleigh before the Martin County Board of Education at the August meeting, will be answered shortly, according to information gained here today. A rough draft of the answer was discussed by members of the board of education in their regular meeting here this week, and the facts have been turned over to the county attorney for final preparation, it was learned.

A copy of the petition is not immediately available, the attorney's office explaining that several days will be required to put it in final shape. However, some of the facts have been pointed out, showing that the Negro schools are making rapid strides, that it is absolutely certain fur-

ther gains are to be expected under the program of consolidation proposed by county and state school authorities and now being advanced as rapidly as possible. It is understood that the number of busses serving the Negro schools has been increased from two to seventeen since 1945, that the expansion of bus service for the Negroes is advancing far more rapidly than under the consolidation program inaugurated for the white schools. The teacher load is comparable for both the white and colored schools, the Negro teachers receiving, on an average, about \$11 more per month than the whites.

It is now well established that some of the signers of the petition misunderstood its contents, and that a vast majority of the Negroes are interested only in better school facilities for themselves.

Tobacco Prices Hold To High Figure Here

Averages Holding Well Above Sixty Cents This Week

Curtailed Deliveries Possi- ble Accounting For The Strong Price Average

After establishing an all-time record last Monday, tobacco prices on the local market continued to hold their own during the succeeding days, the late sales standing right at a 61-cent average figure.

But two days after the peak was reached, the size of the sales started dwindling, some observers declaring that the price started climbing toward the peak just about the time most of the tobacco had been marketed. Despite the fourteen percent acreage increase, it is fairly certain that the crop in this section will be no larger, if as large, as it was last year, that there'll be few more than ten million pounds available to the market this year.

Up until this morning the market had sold 8,522,875 pounds for an average of \$52.49. The market has paid out \$4,474,046 to the growers, or about one-half million dollars less than the amount received for just about the same number of pounds last year. The average this year is trailing that of last season by an even five cents a pound.

The block sales, after gripping the market for more than a month or the longest period in the history of the market, literally disappeared over night. Sales were completed by noon yesterday, and it isn't likely that blocks will be in evidence much more this season. It is possible that the peanut harvest and cotton picking interrupted the marketing of tobacco in this section, but the reports indicate that the big trouble is that the tobacco is just about gone. Surely, more than 75 percent of it has been marketed, some farmers declaring that more than 80 percent has been sold. One-third of the farmers are believed to have finished their marketing, and another thirty percent, if not, (Continued on Page Three)

To Address Farm Meeting Friday

Mrs. B. B. Everett of Palmyra and Messrs. Haywood Dail and J. E. Winslow, all well-known leaders in the North Carolina Farm Bureau, will address a meeting of membership canvassers in this county in the Methodist Church recreation building on Church Street here Friday evening of this week at 7:00 o'clock, it was announced this week by Chas. I. Daniel, president of the organization in this county.

The canvassers will pay for their own suppers, and an encouraging membership report is anticipated, Secretary Mayo Hardison said.

Eisenhower Asks For Full Support Of Security Bill

Truman Takes A Definite Stand About Influence In Government

Washington, D. C.—The main reason General Dwight Eisenhower appealed to Senators and Congressmen working out a final mutual security aid bill last week, to restore some of the economic aid cuts, is his knowledge that every U. S. dollar of economic aid will come two dollars for defense in countries being rebuilt economically.

Those legislators working out the compromise mutual assistance bill thought enough of Ike's opinion to restore some of the economic aid slashed from the bill a month ago by the Senate.

Another reason Eisenhower is concerned about the current bill is his belief that the international crisis of crises, of the cold war, might come next spring. American officials base this belief on the fact that by the spring of 1953 Allied forces in Europe will be strong enough to make any Communist aggression in Europe an extremely dangerous gamble.

Anyone who studies the military history of the Communists, since 1917, will readily see that the Russians do not take dangerous military gambles. On the contrary, despite the huge Red Army, the Communists move militarily only when they are assured of success. United States atom bombs have been the decisive factor in the last few years, in preventing a Communist attack in Europe. Had it not been for them, the Communists, with overwhelming ground and air strength in Europe, could have pushed the Allies out with little danger of a reverse.

Probably, the last chance the Russians will have of overrunning western Europe with comparative ease will vanish before a year is out. In Europe campaigning time is in the spring, and it is considered possible—though no longer probable—that the Reds will move on western Europe next spring, before defenses become impregnable. If U. S. aid is continued full-scale now, it might make a difference of several divisions by next spring—divisions western European countries are able to put into the field. And that could be very important to the Supreme Commander.

The bad part of the investigation into Senator Joe McCarthy's (Continued on page eight)

Car Damaged In Street Accident

Considerable damage was done to a 1949 Nash automobile when it crashed with a 1949 Pontiac on the main street here shortly after 10:00 o'clock this morning.

Archie Allen Lilley of Jamesville was backing his Pontiac from the curb into the street just as James Eason Leggett, Jr., 1015 Ellwood Street, Norfolk, was driving east on the streets. The front right fender on the Leggett car was smashed and the door was damaged. Very little damage was done to the other car, Officer C. R. Moore said following an investigation.

PAVING

Thirty-three miles of paving were completed in this county last month, according to a report released by the State Highway Commission. In addition to the long project from Corey's Cross Roads north via Bear Grass which was started months ago, the commission reported paving completed, as follows: 3.1 miles on the old Williamston-Everetts Road; 3.9 miles in the Oak City-Hamilton section; 8.6 miles in the Jamesville area, including 2.2 miles running off Highway 64 below Jamesville to county road intersection, and 6.4 miles running off 171 southeast to the Washington County line.

PRESIDENT



Professor George S. McRorie, principal of the Everetts school, was elected president of the North Carolina Education Association's north-eastern district at a meeting held in Greenville Tuesday.

Queen To Return For The Festival

The handicaps which appeared when Williamston's Fourth Annual Harvest Festival had to be delayed, have almost been overcome, according to an announcement released yesterday by the Williamston Boosters, Inc., sponsors of the popular annual affair. The delay was caused by the unusually large amount of tobacco being sold on the Williamston Tobacco Market this season and will now be held on Tuesday and Wednesday, October 23 and 24.

The annual street dance will be staged on Tuesday evening, October 23 from 9:00 p. m. to 12 midnight, with both round and square dancing being featured, and a special section set aside for the colored folks.

The next day, on Wednesday afternoon, the Harvest Festival parade will get underway promptly at 2:00 p. m., and this promises to be one of the largest ever held in Eastern Carolina, with at least ten bands participating. Following the parade, a figure of national importance will deliver an address. The United States' Secretary of Agriculture, Charles Brannan, has been invited to deliver this address, but definite acceptance has not been received. Representative Herbert Bonner has also been invited to attend, along with other important dignitaries.

The Harvest Festival Ball will be held in the Planters Warehouse on Wednesday evening, October 24 from 9:30 p. m. to 1:30 a. m. The selecting of the Queen of the Harvest, 1951, will begin at approximately 10:00 p. m., with the new Queen being crowned about 10:30. Reigning over the entire Festival this year will be the Queen of last year, Miss Jean (Continued on Page Three)