

COMMISSIONERS HAVE BUSY DAY

Labor Of Routine Nature Except For Discussion Over County Nurse Work

MANY ASK TAX RELIEF

With exception of the battle to retain the services of a county nurse which fired a little smoke in the political atmosphere, the board of commissioners moved steadily through a heavy day of routine labor at their Monday session. There were many citizens appealing for relief from taxes, some who wanted financial aid, and a proposal to penalize taxpayers who paid after Christmas and to allow a discount to those who paid in October.

The detailed story of the day and the recorded vote upon various matters as inscribed upon the records of Warren by Joseph C. Powell, register of deeds, and clerk to the board, follows:

Valuations of the following property owners were ordered investigated after complaints had been made and to be passed upon on the first Monday in March: Mrs. Clic Coleman of Hawtree, Lewis Mustian of Hawtree, J. M. Burchett of Hawtree, J. B. Jones of Smith Creek, C. W. Cole of Hawtree, W. T. Carter of Vaughan, J. L. Pegram of Vaughan, W. H. Hawks of Hawtree, Irving Kearney of Shocco, F. D. Wilson of Norlina, D. R. Mustian of Hawtree, Kelly King of Hawtree, Robert Morton of Hawtree, J. R. Sledge and G. W. Sledge of Judkins.

The bill of E. L. Green in the sum of \$114.33 for services in returning Ernest Saunders, negro desperado, to Warren jail from Atlanta was ordered paid.

Motion by Skinner, seconded by Burroughs that the town property of Herbert Fogg in Vaughan be listed at \$500 instead of \$1,000 due to error by list maker. There was objection nor was there on a motion by Wall of Roanoke, seconded by Skinner, to give George Allen \$500 credit on a note listed through error at \$1,000.

Tax on a dog of D. R. Mustian of Hawtree was ordered refunded. Mr. Mustian evidently did not have the dog.

Newell moved and it was ordered Edward Alston be heard the first Monday in March in reference to notes he claimed were twice taxed. A note in the sum of \$10,000 was paid the Bank of Warren. Mrs. Grace Kearney of Franklin was re-appointed court stenographer.

It was ordered that Lucy Williams be placed on the outside pauper list on account of sickness. The money was to be paid Sherman Williams. Motion was carried. Newell voted no. Sheriff Williams, who made the request that overalls be furnished prisoners of the jail as change of clothing, was instructed to provide them at county expense.

It was moved by Newell, seconded by Skinner, that former Sheriff Davis be allowed to collect the B. S. Bronson taxes for the year 1925 and retain same, upon the condition that he return all the tax books to the county attorney. It carried though Wall voted no. It carried unanimously that the county collect the Bronson taxes for 1926, 1927 and 1928.

Tax Recommendation

We recommend that a 2 per cent discount shall be allowed on payment of taxes during the month of October; that there be no discount during the months of November and December and that from January and thereafter a penalty of 3 per cent shall be added.

Commissioner Wall voted no, but the recommendation goes to Mr. Williams.

A motion was made by Newell, seconded by Skinner, that the personal property exemption of \$300 be reduced to \$25. The motion failed to prevail when Chairman Powell concurred with Wall and Burroughs. Joe Neal of Judkins appeared before the board relative to Weldon Carter, a pauper, who was taken sick at his home and died there. Mr. Neal said that he had become responsible for Carter's burial expenses, amounting to about \$70, and that under these circumstances that he wanted the board to pay that expense. The motion by Wall that Mr. Neal be paid \$35 was seconded

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Hollywood's Lucky Thirteen



Here is the first picture to include all thirteen of Hollywood's 1929 crop of Wampas Baby Stars. They have been chosen, as each year a similar group is chosen, by movie critics as being the most likely of all young movie actresses to achieve stardom. Starting at the left, going up, then down and back to the starting place, they are: Josephine Dunn, Ethylene Clair, Cary Lincoln, Mona Rico, Doris Dawson, Helen Foster, Loretta Young, Jean Arthur, Betty Boyd, Anita Page, Doris Hill, Helen Twelvetrees and Sally Blane.

Harry And Kearny Williams Each Give \$200 Charity Fund

The Warren county welfare board spent \$109.31 for the relief of suffering during January, according to the report of Miss Carrie Helen Moore of Littleton, treasurer. Friends of the charity chest have contributed \$628 for this work and a balance of \$628.54 was left in the treasury.

Harry and Kearny Williams each contributed \$200 to the charity chest. The remainder of the \$628.54 was donated by friends of both races as follows: Coley Spring church, Sunday school and church, \$10; Shocco colored church, \$3.75; Warrenton colored Baptist church, \$5; Methodist Christmas tree at Warrenton, \$7.84; P. D. Woodall, \$1; Mr. and Miss Turner, \$1; R. L. Goode, \$10.70; Winnie B. Williams, \$10.70; Miss Maria Parker, \$1; Woman's club of Littleton, \$10; Misses Lucy and Janet Pridgen, \$2.25; from Red Cross drive, \$175.

In addition to money given, other friends of the work have contributed articles of clothing. M. C. Winston of Warrenton gave a pair of shoes. The Warrenton Department Store donated two large boxes of good, new coats, dresses, underwear etc. These articles brought comfort and happiness to the recipients.

Judge Rodwell Has But 2 Cases Monday

Judge T. O. Rodwell had a light morning in Recorder's court here on Monday. Only two cases were on docket and in less than an hour the county court had convened, disposed of its docket and adjourned. June Terry was fined \$10 and cost for being publicly drunk.

Washington Carter was before the court on a charge of assault. He was judged not guilty.

WHIPPING POST

A whipping post for drunken automobile drivers was advocated yesterday in a bill presented to the Senate by Senator J. T. Alderman of Henderson, representing Warren and Vance. This information came over the air last night from the radio station on the Sir Walter roof.

Senator Alderman prefaced the introduction of the measure with the comment that he did not think that it would pass, but said that it will at least give the people of North Carolina "something to think about."

LENDS PICTURES FOR ART EXHIBIT

Mrs. Arrington Offers Private Collection For Display At Memorial Library

EXHIBIT BEGINS FEB. 18

Official opening of art exhibit of the Landscape club, with added works of art from the private collection of Mrs. Katherine Pendleton Arrington, has been set for February 18th at the Warren County Memorial library. The original date, February 15th, was changed in order that the pictures of the Landscape club might have plenty of time in which to arrive and be displayed here after their arrival from Florida where they are now on exhibition. They will remain here until March 1.

A member of the Woman's club, under whose auspices the exhibit will be held, will act as hostess at the library each day during the time the art work is here. On Tuesday of the second week, William T. Polk will make a short address upon the collection and art in general. An effort is also being made to have Mrs. Arrington speak upon similar subject.

The addition of works of art to the 33 pictures of the Landscape club by Mrs. Arrington, who as president of the North Carolina Art society, has been devoting time, money and talent to the promotion of the cultural life of the State, is expected to further enhance the value of the exhibit. From her home and the school will come "Bit of Venice" by Emil Carlson; "Autumn, Cos Cob" by Childe Hassam; "Mammy and Child," "Garmlchers," "Tobacco Patch," "Twatman;" "At Dawn," Francis Murphy. In statuery, "Crowing Baby" by Chester Beech, and "Sundial" by Brinder Putnam. Pictures of the Landscape club and artists include:

"Stone Mountain" by Roy L. Barrows; "A Bit of Old Gloucester" by Thomas E. Brown; "The Little Red House" by Winfield Scott Clime; "Winter Twilight, Ellenville, N. Y." by Winfield Scott Clime; "Winter," Louis S. Dergans; "Three Sisters Mountains, Oregon," R. Bruce Horsfall; "Wolves on the Trail" and "The Call," R. Bruce Horsfall (loaned by Nature Magazine); "Across the Marshes," "Winter Day," "Cornfield" and "June," Minor S. Jameson; "Farmhouse in Brittany," "Port of Treboul, Brittany," "Village in France," and "November, Round Hill, Va.," Garnet W. Jex.

"The Cottage Door," Wynne Johnson; "Mills Along the Brook," "Colfosco, Dolomite Alps," "Peasant Homes, Dolomite Alps," Richard S. Merryman; "Autumn in the Blue Ridge," Woods in Autumn," "Beeches, Rock Creek, D. C.," "Autumn on the Potomac," Benson B. Moore; "Up the Lane," "Tied Up," "New England Garden," John U. Perkins; "Camp on the Potomac," "Autumn, Bennings, D. C.," "Boulders, Rock Creek, D. C.," "Winter," A. H. O. Rolle; "Canal Lock in Summer," N. S. Sudduth; "Sunshine in the Valley," Eugene Weiss; "Hill Town in France," Eugene Weiss.

Thornton Captures Three Foxes In Day

Macon Thornton's crack pack of Walker hounds captured three foxes yesterday in the Churchill section, according to information reaching this office last night.

The first fox was caught at 10:30 and was tailed by John Clay Powell, chairman of the board of county commissioners. The last fox was caught at 6:30 p. m.

The dogs were in charge of Silas Cheek. About 15 or 20 riders participated in the hunt.

MARRIAGE LICENSE

Recent licenses to marry issued by the Register of Deeds of Warren county:

White—John Salmon and Ida Lee Fratter; Sidney Stegall and Marie Deake; Lewis Hunter Willis and Erceel L. Crude, of Virginia.

Negro—Perlie Williams and Emma Allen; Otis L. Green and Ollie Rose Coleman; Walter H. Alston and Ella May Davis; Samuel Alston and Mary Jane Johnson.

HAITHCOCK SPECIAL AGENT

Claude Haithcock of Churchill has accepted a position as special agent in Warren county with the Pilot Life Insurance company whose home office is at Greensboro. Mr. Haithcock was here yesterday afternoon with H. L. Rawlings of Durham, district manager.

Car Leaps Hood To Land In Ditch; No One Seriously Hurt

LITTLETON, Feb. 6.—A car, property of H. G. Haithcock, former deputy sheriff of Warren, leaped across the hood of another driven by Robert Sears near here last night at 9 o'clock and landed wheels-up in a roadside ditch. Sidney Rooker, who was driving, his wife, Mr. Haithcock, and Jewel Gray were pinned beneath the machine but escaped any serious injury. The cars were badly smashed.

The Haithcock car was trailing the one driven by Sears, ooth headed toward Warrenton, when Mr. Sears, according to Mr. Rooker, turned without warning to take a sideroad to the left. Mr. Rooker, who was about to pass at that time, went over the hood with the car and all of its occupants.

Returning from Scotland Neck, Brodie Jones drove up within a few minutes after the accident and carried the injured to Harrison's Drug Store where Dr. Horace Palmer treated Mr. and Mrs. Rooker for slight cuts and bruises. Mr. Haithcock sustained a bruise on the side and another on top of his head. Gray escaped injury.

Mrs. Rooker had just left her young baby with a neighbor before the car landed topside-down in the ditch. Frank Rainey was traveling with Mr. Sears who has been at Littleton for about three years with a chain store.

Citizens Library Movement To Play Part In Carolina

Much will be heard in North Carolina in the years just ahead about the Citizens Library Movement inaugurated through the interest and efforts largely of Dr. Frank Graham of the University and others and the State Library Commission. The movement has as its object the establishment of county libraries in every county in the State which shall serve all the people of the county and tend to break down educational inequalities and advantages between town and rural inhabitants. It is expected that the movement will be to the adult population of the State what universal education is meaning to its children. Books for everybody, everywhere.

Quoting from the handbook published recently "The county library is a free public library system for the entire county reaching every person in every corner of the county." It serves the people through a central library, branches and sub stations. It is the companion of the consolidated school except that in practice it works the opposite way, brings books to the people instead of people to the books. This is done by using as branch stations, school libraries, churches and clubs, and such means of transportation as is available. In the large counties a book truck is used. In Durham county the Kiwanis club furnishes this. I note that the Woman's club of Lexington is raising money for a county book truck.

Only fourteen counties in the State have county library service including Warren, although means for making our library hit a little stronger on the county idea should be devised.

It is rather surprising to note that 16 towns of a population of \$2500 to 10,000 have no public libraries at all among them are Kinston, Elizabeth City, Lenoir and Shelby. I have read recently that the Woman's club of Elizabeth City is at work to establish a library there.

North Carolina has only 72 public libraries in the whole State. There is only one incorporated town in the State of Massachusetts without a library. The first public library to be established in the United States was at Petersborough, New Hampshire, well over one hundred years ago.

Quoting again from the handbook; "The function of the library as an institution of society is the development and enrichment of human life in the entire community by bringing to all the people the books that belong to them."

Col. Frank P. Hobgood Jr. is chairman of the movement. The names of three citizens of this county appear in the handbook are W. T. Polk, S. E. Burroughs and Charlotte Story Perkinson. It is very probable that others have enlisted by this time.

Mr. Johnny Abbott of Elberon was a recent visitor here.

Commissioners To Keep County Nurse

Mrs. Joe S. Jones of Ridgeway Will Fill the Unexpired Term Of Mrs. O. D. Williams; Senator Williams Urges Importance of Continuing the Work

GRAHAM, PERKINSON, BOYD ADD ENDORSEMENT

Warren county will continue its infancy and maternity work until July 1, and Mrs. Joe S. Jones of Ridgeway, former county nurse, will fill the unexpired term of Mrs. O. D. Williams. Mrs. Jones was the choice of the board of health at its meeting held here on Monday, and the commissioners—with money already appropriated for this work to July 1—decided to continue it.

The county commissioners Monday morning heard Senator B. B. Williams urge the importance of caring for the welfare of future generations.

O. M. Mull Predicts Secret Ballot Bill Will Be Passed

Odus M. Mull, Representative from Cleveland county and State Democratic chairman, Wednesday expressed the opinion that the modified Broughton-Johnson Australian ballot bill will pass both the Senate and House "without much trouble."

Chairman Mull expects some votes to be cast against the bill in both houses, but he is of the opinion that the opponents of a secret ballot measure will not muster enough strength to defeat the Broughton-Johnson bill.

Chairman Mull is not entirely satisfied with the Broughton-Johnson bill as it was reported to the Senate Tuesday by the Senate election laws committee, but he believes the modified bill is better than no secret ballot bill at all. Like Governor Gardner, he is against the provision in the modified bill to allow county boards of elections to conduct primaries under the old system, while they must conduct primaries for the State offices under the Australian system.

Governor Gardner believes that the bill embodies at least three great gains, namely, for the cause of honest elections, secrecy in voting, and a check on all ballots printed.

The Broughton-Johnson bill has been made a special order of business and will come up for discussion on the floor of the Senate after the regular morning hour Friday.

Carnes Pleads Guilty Embezzlement Charge

ATLANTA, Feb. 5.—Clinton S. Carnes, who rose from ex-convict to a position of prominence as treasurer of the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board, and decamped after nine years, leaving an alleged shortage of nearly \$1,000,000, pleaded guilty to embezzlement here today and was given an indeterminate sentence of five to seven years imprisonment.

His pleas was accepted on recommendation of board officials, who said Carnes had turned over all his resources for restitution, that it would save the State a long, expensive trial, and that justice would be served by the sentence, due to his age. It was added that Carnes had agreed to aid in untangling the board's accounts, on which auditors have been working since he disappeared last Summer.

Only one of the 20 indictments returned against him—that charging misappropriation of \$80,000—figured in the proceedings. The State announced that the others would be dismissed if the 51-year-old former layman did not seek a pardon or parole before the expiration of his minimum sentence.

Carnes, who had been confined to the county jail since his arrest last September, in Winnipeg, Manitoba, (Continued on page 8)

MARKET CLOSES

Warrenton's tobacco market will close for the 1928-29 season here on Friday, February 22, it was announced yesterday by a member of the Tobacco Board of Trade. Total sales were not announced.

It was consensus of opinion among most of the tobacco warehousemen of the Old Belt that the crop had just about been sold, and so the cry of the auctioneer dies next Friday week to be heard again in September.

JOHNSON IN TOWN

Hugh Johnson of the North Carolina Cotton Growers Association is here today, shaking hands with the members of the Association and incidentally giving them information on better cotton seed, fertilizer and group life insurance, he says.

Reviewing how she voted, without mincing any words, Miss Amma D. Graham plead for a continuation of the work of the nurse. Mrs. Perkinson spoke her conviction in this regard. Norwood Boyd, representing the Kiwanis club of Warrenton, added his endorsement.

At 3 o'clock Monday afternoon the board of commissioners met with the board of health to hear Dr. Collins of the State Board of Health at Raleigh plead the cause of infancy and maternity. Dr. Hunter, Dr. Peete, Dr. Rodgers, Edward Allen and Mayor Gibbs endorsed the work. Then the board of health went into session and returned their findings as follows to the commissioners:

"Upon motion of J. Edward Allen, duly seconded and with no opposing vote, ordered that Mrs. Joseph S. Jones be appointed county nurse during the life of the present contract, filling the vacancy created by the resignation of Mrs. O. D. Williams."

Receiving the report of the board of health, Commissioner John S. Skinner moved that Mrs. Jones be named as the choice of the board for this position and that a written report of her activities be made to the board each month. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Newell and carried without opposing vote.

Members of the board of health are Chairman John C. Powell, Dr. F. P. Hunter, Dr. G. H. Macon, Mayor Frank H. Gibbs, and Supt. of Education J. Edward Allen.

P. T. A. To Discuss Founders Day Plan

Contributions toward a found to adequately observe Founders day will be taken at the Parent-Teacher association meeting to be held in the high school on Friday, February 15th, it was said here yesterday.

Officers of the association are urging a good attendance. Plans for the celebration of the 150th anniversary of Warren county will be made, it is indicated. The observance will be held on February 22nd instead of the actual day of the county's birth—February 12th, 150 years ago.

World Prayer Service To Be Held In Presbyterian Church

The World Prayer Service will be held at the Presbyterian church on Friday, February 15th, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, according to an announcement from Mrs. W. B. Fleming, president of the auxiliary of the Presbyterian church.

A cordial invitation is extended all denominations to take part in the service.

EPISCOPAL SERVICES

"Avarice, the Sin of Senescence," will be the sermon subject of the Rev. B. N. deFoe-Wagner at the Episcopal church here Sunday evening at 7:30 o'clock. On Next Wednesday, Ash Wednesday, Holy communion will be observed at 8 a. m. There will be services also at 10:30 and 7:30 on that day. The public is invited.