

SCHOOL BILL IS EXPECTED TODAY

Senate Education Committee Favors Total Of \$7,500,000 Equalizing Fund

NO CHANGE IS EXPECTED

RALEIGH, March 7.—If members of the Senate Committee on Education are able to carry out their own wishes, the Hancock school bill will be reported back to the Senate this morning. Except for some changes in the administrative features, in line with some of the suggestions of State Superintendent Allen, the bill is not expected to be materially changed from the form in which it passed the House.

At the meeting yesterday morning, the committee voted to keep secret its own action until the bill is reported. It was reported, however, that the committee was sharply divided on the amount of the equalizing fund with a small majority favoring the Hancock \$6,000,000 six months equalizing fund and \$1,500,000 extended term equalizing fund.

How many of Dr. Allen's recommendations were carried out, the committeemen have not revealed. In fact, they are not yet through with their amendments. It is thought, however, that there will not be any change in the matter of the scale of county superintendents' salaries, for the purpose of equalizing, as was suggested by Dr. Allen.

The committee meets again at 10:30 o'clock this morning, determined to finish with the bill by the time the session starts at 11 o'clock. If it is, the bill will be set on Friday's calendar unless it is set as a special order for some other session.

Once the school bill has been passed, the General Assembly's biggest task will be to discover ways and means of raising the extra money set up in the Hancock equalizing funds, admitting that it is adopted.

Egerton Re-visits His Old Home Town

Walter Egerton of Raleigh was at Warrenton on Monday and Tuesday shaking hands with old friends. For a number of years Mr. Egerton was in the employ of Hilliard & White Co. in the place of business now occupied by the Cash Company store.

Leaving Warrenton he went to Mebane where he was married. After a few years in that town he moved to Raleigh where he is now working. In the days before the World war when, in place of the hops the younger set now pull, the young men of the town gave a ball in honor of the young ladies, there was no figure more active than that of Walter Egerton. T. L. Brodie, G. H. Macdon, Bully Moss, Stephen and William Burroughs, Pryor Allen, Bill Day, Tom and Faucette Harrison, and John L. Skinner of Littleton are other members of the old social set that memory recalls.

Most of these men are scattered to the four winds, but this week when Walter Egerton re-visited Warrenton after several years absence he found a few of the older boys and through new friends still here to give him a glad welcome.

Button' Alston Dies At Old Still Site

Alston Alston Jr., "Button," 31-year-old negro, was found dead at old still site near "No Bottom" on Saturday. Coroner Pinnell investigated the death and deemed no inquest necessary.

The still had been removed but several beer vats were in place. It is believed that "Button" had been drinking the beer formed when rain water collected on the remnants of mash left in the vats and that poisoned liquor was the cause of his death.

Palmer Harris Dies Near Here Wednesday

Palmer Harris died at his home near Warrenton on Wednesday afternoon. Cancer of the stomach is reported as the cause of death. Mr. Harris was about 50 years of age.

Funeral arrangements had not been made at time of going to press. Mr. Harris is survived by his widow, one son and three step-children.

NEW PRESIDENT



The above is a recent picture of Herbert Hoover, Republican candidate, who on Monday became President of the United States. The oath of office was administered by Chief Justice William Howard Taft. In spite of a heavy rain thousands witnessed the ceremony.

Alston Threatens To Bring Shotgun To Next Board Meeting

Edward Alston of Fork doesn't think much of Warren county's board of commissioners. Neither, for that matter, does the board of education rank very high in his estimation. He is not backward in saying so. The citizen of Fork is rather an extensive land holder and taxes get pretty close to his skin.

Heretofore he has confined himself to rather bitter language, but on Monday he broke loose for fair. After intimating that the members of the board were a bunch of thieves, he called former chairman Skinner, who was leaving the room, back, with the remarks that he was one of the worst in the lot. But that was only by way of preliminary to warming up. Next he was going to bring his shotgun. Auditor Peter M. Stallings is to be the object of the Fork citizen's sanguinary wrath. That is if Mr. Stallings makes any more changes in Mr. Alston's property, or so the irate citizen said. "If you make any more changes I am going to bring my shotgun and blood will be shed," the Fork citizen is quoted as saying.

Mr. Stallings bristled under the threat and it looked like fireworks. The chairman rapped for order. The tumult died.

Mr. Alston later remarked to friends on the court green that he didn't take back a word he said.

Dr. Branch To Bring Many To P. T. Meet

Indications point to a banner meeting of the Parent-Teacher association at the local school auditorium on Friday, March 15, when Dr. Ernest A. Branch, State director of Oral Hygiene, will give an illustrated lecture on the structure and care of the teeth, a member of the organization said yesterday.

"Dr. Branch is sent here at the expense of the State in order that the public may have a better understanding of the relation of teeth to health and the proper care of the same. We feel that the importance of this lecture will cause many to attend," the member added.

The director of hygiene will use X-ray pictures as well as stereopticon slides to illustrate his lecture. Some of the X-ray pictures, it is said, were made of mouths of Warren children.

Dr. Branch will address the teachers of Warren at the court house on the following day.

Miss Esterbrook To Address Club Women

The next meeting of the Woman's club will be held at the home of Mrs. W. A. Connell, with Mrs. Connell, Mrs. H. A. Moseley and Miss Cate Gardner as hostesses. At this meeting Miss Esterbrook of State college will give a talk and demonstration on interior decoration and refinishing old furniture. She is an authority on her subject and can give much that will interest those who love the beautiful and wish to apply this love to the enhancement of the home.

Not only club members are urged to hear Miss Esterbrook, but every one who is interested is cordially asked to be present at the meeting on next Tuesday, March 12, at 3 o'clock.

PLUNGE IN

A resolution has been made each summer for several years that a swimming pool would be provided before the next. Always, though, the winter winds made folks forget how hot July and August days were, and the good resolution was, just like many others, forgotten before the 10th of every January.

But this year—Well, plans are getting under way early, and with McGuire just radiating enthusiasm and Shorty Gillam working up steam, with a whole lot of other folks around here willing to lend a helping hand in such a move, it looks like the pool is to be a reality.

Plans are being worked out now, a suitable location is to be secured, and in early Spring many may be yelling at the close of the business day, "Let's go swimming."

HOOVER TAKES OATH OF OFFICE

New President Delivers Inaugural Address In Heavy Downpour Of Rain

DAWES SWEARS CURTIS

WASHINGTON, March 4.—Herbert Hoover took his solemn oath as president of the United States today while thousands of American citizens, men and women, stood before him, silent, in front of the steps of the nation's capitol.

A drizzling rain dripped down. The throngs raised umbrellas. But Herbert Hoover, a serious, solemn figure in the midst of all the ceremony, stood bare-headed and let the water fall upon his close cut hair as he spoke a distinct "I do," when the oath was read.

Then he bowed low and slowly raised the open Bible to his lips and kissed it, while all the thousands, reaching far out to the borders of the capitol grounds, were silent that even the soft patter of the light rain seemed noisy.

Solemn Figure

The new president of the United States was the solemn, sobered figure of that whole gathering. Near him stood Calvin Coolidge, smiling his quiet little smile, plainly light hearted. He was a slight, but agile figure who had shifted the tremendous burden of responsibility of the presidency to the broad shoulders of Herbert Hoover, and the weight already was bearing down with a relentless, solemn pressure upon the nation's new chief executive.

The day had begun with overcast skies and a chill wind blowing just briskly enough to make the many banners of the capitol wave gently. By 9 a. m., the people were coming. An hour later there were thousands around the capitol and by noon the whole plaza, which fronts the capitol and lies between the house and senate office buildings, was closely packed. Many hundreds stood upon the roofs and cornices of the government buildings, looking down upon the ceremony.

A little after 11 a. m., Calvin Coolidge and Mrs. Coolidge, and Mr. and Mrs. Hoover came out of the White House. Mrs. Coolidge was dressed in grey, with a fox fur neckpiece and carried sweet peas and orchids. Mrs. Hoover wore a black wrap. She and her husband were unsmiling.

Bids Farewell

As the White House car rolled away from the building where the Coolidges had lived so long, Mrs. Coolidge turned and waved a farewell to the servants who stood watching the final departure of a mistress they loved. At the White House gates the car was stopped and Mrs. Coolidge shook hands with the policeman on guard, assuring him that some day she would see him again.

Crowds on Pennsylvania Avenue acclaimed the executive party as it (Continued On Page 2)

Farmer Recovers Car; Alston Jailed

J. F. Farmer, manager of the Carolina Power & Light Co., has recovered his car. Fred Alston, negro, is in jail awaiting trial at May term of Warren Superior court. He is charged with larceny of an automobile.

Mr. Farmer's car was stolen on March 1. Officers recovered the automobile and nabbed Alston in Franklin county on Monday. Tuesday they were brought to Warrenton and Alston was given a preliminary hearing before Magistrate W. C. Fagg, at which he pleaded guilty. Unable to raise the \$500 bond required by Magistrate Fagg, Alston was sent to jail.

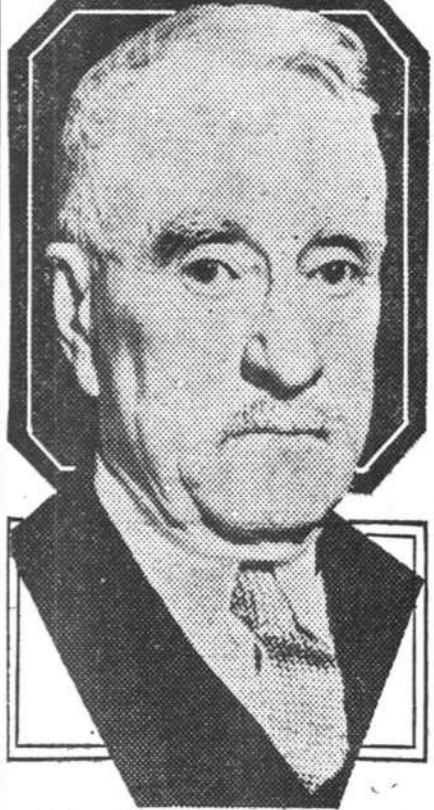
Mr. Farmer's car is reported to have been damaged to some extent by the trip to Franklin, just how much has not been determined.

Meeting Postponed Because of Measles

Because of the prevalence of measles here the next meeting of the local chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution has been indefinitely postponed.

The organization was to hold its meeting this afternoon at the home of Mrs. James Poindexter, but yesterday her son, James, was in quarantine with measles. Because of the larger number of cases at Warrenton, it was deemed best to postpone meetings of the organization until the epidemic has passed.

Sets Federal Bench Record



Judge Joseph Buffington, senior member of the United States circuit court of appeals at Philadelphia, is said to have the distinction of being a federal judge longer than any other man in United States history. He was first appointed by President Harrison and recently finished his 37th year of service.

Child Drinks Lysol; Death Is The Result

Funeral services for Eleanor Mae Thompson, three-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Thompson of near Oakville, were held at Jerusalem church at Wise on Wednesday afternoon by the Rev. B. P. Robinson, and interment was made in the church cemetery.

The child died early on Monday morning as a result of drinking Lysol on Saturday afternoon. The older children, it is said, had been cleaning the house and left several old bottles on a table awaiting further disposal. One of these bottles contained a little of the caustic disinfectant. The little girl succeeded in reaching this bottle and drinking some of the poison.

A physician was summoned and antidotes given. Apparently the child was on the way to recovery, when Sunday night it suffered another attack and died about 2 o'clock on Monday morning.

The tragedy has shocked the community and many expressions of sympathy for the parents and children have been heard.

Ben Cook President Of Young Democrats

Ben Cook, former Warrenton boy, who is now a practicing attorney at Ponca City, Okla., has been elected president of the Young Democrats of that city, according to a dispatch carried in a paper of that State. The Oklahoma paper said:

Ben Cook, Ponca City attorney, candidate for county judge in the last election on the democratic ticket, was named president of the Kay County League of Young Democrats Saturday afternoon at a meeting here. Mrs. Fred Spaulding of Ponca City was elected secretary-treasurer.

Charles Duffy, Ponca City attorney, retiring president of the Kay county group, and Ben Cook were named as delegates from this county to the state convention of the organization at Altus on February 22. Approximately 30 persons attended the meeting here Saturday.

ANGER IS THE SUBJECT AT EPISCOPAL CHURCH SUNDAY

"Anger, the Family Folly," is the subject for the Sunday night sermon at Emmanuel Episcopal church, Warrenton, at 7:30, the Rev. B. N. de Foe-Wagner announced yesterday.

On Sunday morning at 11 o'clock the rector will hold services at the church of the Good Shepherd, Ridgeway.

TO CANVASS SUNDAY

On Sunday afternoon from 2 until 3 o'clock the members of the Young People's Service league of the Episcopal church will call upon the members of the church for subscriptions and renewals to The Carolina Churchman and The Spirit of Missions. They ask that you please remain at home during this hour and be prepared to help your church and your service league.

Mr. Willie Prescott spent Sunday afternoon in Henderson.

SOLICITOR IS NOT NAMED BY BOARD

Bill Passed By General Assembly Has Not Been Certified To Commissioners

SECRET SESSION IS HELD

No reference was made to the appointment of a new solicitor for the Recorder's court at the meeting of the board of county commissioners here on Monday. A bill passed through the General Assembly by Representative Williams calls for the appointment and it was generally expected that the commissioners would name the solicitor at this meeting. However, the bill, it is understood, has not been certified to the Board.

On motion of Commissioner Newell the board ordered that no further reductions in valuation be made except under extraordinary circumstances, fire, removal of timber, error in listing, until second Monday in July as provided by law.

It was ordered that a clause relative to former Sheriff R. E. Davis returning all county books to the county attorney be stricken out.

Upon motion of Commissioner Newell the board went into executive session.

Auditor Peter M. Stallings will not be allowed to put anything on the tax list unless ordered by the board, according to motion passed.

Due to error in listing, Moot Mead of Judkins was allowed a reduction from five acres to one acre.

It was ordered that C. W. Thomas, colored, of Sixpound township be given a credit of eighteen acres at \$10 per acre and that he be given a tax reduction for one year on said eighteen acres, it being found a fact that said land was listed at 60 acres, and there having been sold therefrom eighteen acres, leaving 42 acres.

It was motioned by Newell and seconded by Skinner and ordered that the Auditor call on the Board of Education for all refund taxes.

Ordered that a note for \$10,000, dated December 5, 1928, payable in 90 days to the Bank of Warren, be renewed.

It was ordered that the purchasing agent get an estimate on wire fence to replace the wood fence now around the jail.

Ordered that county warrant for \$10 now being paid to Goodman Shearin for outside paupers, be made payable to each separately in the sum of \$5.00 each.

Motioned by Commissioner Skinner, duly seconded, with no opposing vote, that a levy is hereby made on the maximum amount of all schedule B and C taxes that are allowed under the law to be collected and the sheriff is hereby authorized to collect this maximum amount of all schedule B and C taxes so levied on.

Mrs. J. S. Jones, county health nurse, tendered her monthly report, which was read by the clerk and ordered filed.

It was motioned by Wall and seconded by Burroughs and ordered that the county pay \$12.50, half the cost of admitting an illegitimate baby into the Greensboro home. Commissioner Newell voted "No."

It was ordered that the auditor place the full penalty of 20 per cent on all uncollected taxes, as provided by law.

It was ordered that Mr. Edward Alston be charged on the tax list with 32 bales of cotton at \$75 per bale, and that he be given a credit of \$600 cotton valuation as now listed. Also that he be charged with \$7,000 worth of notes.

The Auditor was instructed to list the B. S. Bronson notes for the year 1926, 1927, and 1928, at their face value without penalty.

Two Cases Before Recorder On Monday

Only two cases were heard in Recorder's court here on Monday. Morris Hicks, negro, faced Judge Rodwell on a charge of simple assault. Judgment was suspended upon payment of cost.

John Davis, negro, was sentenced to work the roads for six months when he was found guilty of a charge of possessing whiskey.

ATTENND MEETING

Mrs. Charlotte Story Perkinson, Miss Amma D. Graham and Miss Lucy Leach attended a three-day meeting of the North Carolina Social Service Conference at Raleigh last week. W. T. Polk of Warrenton presided over the Thursday afternoon session.