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BOARD PUTS OFF GIFT TO LIBRARY

Commissioners Tell Delegation They Want To Study Budget Before Acting

HEADED BY W. T. POLK

Meeting in regular session here Monday the Board of County Commissioners postponed action on the question of a donation of \$500 for the Warren County Memorial Library until Monday, August 20, when that body will meet to adopt the budget.

The commissioners heard a delegation of taxpayers, headed by W. T. Polk, president of the library, asking that the county donate funds in the support of the library. Mr. Polk had traced the history of the growth of the library and told of the service it was rendering to the people of the county, and its aims for enlarged service in the future. Miss Marjorie Beal, director of the North Carolina Library Commission, told of the support given by other counties in the state, mentioning among others, Vance county where \$1000 is annually donated by the county, in addition to a \$3000 annual donation by the city of Henderson, among large taxpayers accompanying Mr. Polk were Coley Perkinson of Wise, C. E. Jackson, V. F. Ward and W. H. Dameron of Warrenton.

The board ordered that the hospital bill of Harry Shearin, in the sum of \$38, be paid, and that the county pay hospital bills in the sum of \$25 for services rendered Howard Earl Solomon Seaward and Perry Boyd. In addition the board ordered that Jubilee Hospital, Henderson, be paid for services rendered Anne Lee Goode, \$8; Laura Parker, \$5, and Lester Powell, \$11.

The commissioners, after discussion, passed an order that no hospital bill be paid for any patient sent to the hospital by a physician unless said physician was authorized to do so by the Board of County Commissioners. Before passing the order several members expressed themselves as being alarmed over the way hospital bills for Warren county citizens were mounting.

The sum of \$100 was appropriated for smallpox vaccination of school children as recommended by the Board of Health. The hundred dollars advanced is to be refunded by the Board of Education.

Wall and Williams were given the contract to audit the Sheriff's settlement upon the same terms as last year when \$225 was paid for this service.

The commissioners approved an item of \$2,800 in the school budget for vocational education. Approval of other items in the budget submitted by Superintendent Allen on Monday were postponed until August 20 when the board will go over both the school and county budget. Reason for earlier approval for the vocational item was in order that Superintendent Allen might notify the state and Federal authorities in order that they might make provision for their share of the cost of such instruction.

The board ordered that the lands of Mary F. Hicks, which have been divided into two tracts, be so listed and that the auditor make two abstracts to supersede the original abstract. It was ordered that 28 acres known as Sol Williams land and now in the possession of Stroud be listed for taxation at the price of \$500 for the year 1929, 1930, 1931 and 1932.

W. G. Egerton and Macon Thornton of Macon appeared before the board regarding adjustment of values of property listed by Mr. Egerton. After various commissioners, familiar with the tracts in their respective sections, had gone over the question of values with Messrs. Egerton and Thornton, reductions were allowed as follows:

Sixpound Township—Taylor tract, 86 acres reduced to \$1500; Bobbitt tract, 661 acres, reduced to \$6500; Morris tract, 76 acres, reduced to \$760; Sadler tract, 30 acres, \$500; Green Mill, 170 acres, reduced to \$1500; Gim lot, reduced to \$1000.

Judkins Township—Rightmyer tract, 500 acres, reduced to \$5000; Rightmyer tract 140 acres, reduced to \$1050; Hawkins tract, 220 acres, reduced to \$2200; Downton tract, 60 acres, reduced to \$300; Clanton

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To Defend Net Title



NEW YORK... Helen Jacobs (above), U. S. Women's Tennis Champion, though defeated in the English championship, is home to defend her national title at Forest Hills, N. Y. late this month.

Action Postponed On Reinstatement Of Night Officer

A petition presented the Board of Town Commissioners on Monday night demanding the reinstatement of C. E. Lovell as night police officer here or an explanation from the board as to why he was discharged resulted in the board going into executive session at the conclusion of other business and postponement of action until a full meeting of the board was present. Commissioner J. B. Boyce was absent when the executive session was called, having been called from the meeting earlier in the evening on account of business.

The petition signed by a large number of business men and other citizens was presented before the meeting to Mayor Frank H. Gibbs who had the petition read by Secretary T. B. Gardner to members of the board.

Night Police Officer Lovell was notified following the July meeting of the board that his services would not be required by the town after August 1. Frank Neal was appointed to succeed Mr. Lovell.

Jurors Drawn For September Term Superior Court

Jurors for September term of Superior court, which convenes here the 17th of next month with Judge Walter Small of Elizabeth City presiding, were on Monday drawn by the Board of County Commissioners as follows:

First Week—Willie T. Robertson, Jack Nelson, W. Pryor Rodwell, W. T. Carter, L. M. King, H. Herman Pike, Percy A. Harris, R. H. Frazier, J. R. Abbott Jr., H. D. White, R. D. Carroll, N. M. Capps, C. J. Fleming, M. P. Burwell, Robert Turner, R. M. White, W. P. Lambert, R. J. Stewart, C. D. Shearin, Walter Stallings, C. H. Buchanan, J. C. Jones, S. R. Jones, R. I. Mulchi, Tasker Pope Perkinson, C. P. Holtzman, W. A. Tharrington, Leon W. Perkinson, Malvern Young, W. P. Conn, R. L. Traylor, Elmore W. King, John B. Neal, R. D. Bolton, Jack D. King.

Second Week—R. J. Bender, W. W. Wilson, E. D. Halthcock, H. C. Montgomery, F. Fleming, W. L. Wood, Glenn H. Weldon, B. G. Tharrington, J. C. Killian, Otis E. Capps, James M. Stewart, Courtney Sadler, C. J. Weaver, W. A. Kimball, A. W. Reavis Jr., R. M. Alston, W. L. Riggan, Elton S. Dillard.

Willie E. Hawks Dies On Tuesday

Willie E. Hawks, well known citizen of Warren Plains, died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. L. C. Hawks, at Warren Plains on Tuesday morning at 4 o'clock after an illness of about ten days. Heart and kidney trouble was given as the cause of death. Mr. Hawks was 77 years of age.

Funeral services were conducted at the Warren Plains Baptist church on Wednesday morning at 10 o'clock by the Rev. R. E. Brickhouse. Interment was in the family cemetery. Active pallbearers were Horton Hawks, T. T. Hawks, T. C. Hawks, Harry Walker, J. M. Harris and Phil Harris.

Mr. Hawks is survived by two sons, John Hawks of Elkins, and Williams Hawks of Athens, Ga., and by four daughters, Mrs. Linton Hawks of Warren Plains, Mrs. Calvin Weaver of Warren Plains, Mrs. Smith Wyckoff of Ridgeway, and Mrs. Roy Perkinson of Wise.

Mrs. C. W. Cole of Wise and Mrs. Edwin Cole of Richmond were visitors at Warrenton this week.

Henderson Men Fined As Result Of Trouble Here

H. E. Finch was fined \$25 and costs and Arnold Macon \$10 and costs when they were tried before Judge W. W. Taylor in Recorder's court on Monday morning for resisting arrest and assaulting Night Officer Lee Wilson last Thursday morning about 3 o'clock.

When asked their plea by Solicitor Daniel, the two Henderson men said that they were guilty of striking Mr. Wilson but at that time they did not know he was an officer.

Mr. Wilson testified that after he had been told by Officer Frank Neal that two men had had some disturbance on the streets here with John Powell and N. P. Marks he ran across Finch and Macon at Hotel Warren and began questioning them in regard to their business here. He said that when he told the men that he was an officer and that they could either get out of town or go with him that Finch became very antagonistic and stated that he was not going anywhere.

Continuing his testimony, the officer said that when he caught the man by the arm and started down the street that Finch jerked away, tearing his shirt about the arm. Finch then tore his entire shirt into shreds and told Wilson that he would have to buy him another, the witness stated. Officer Wilson testified that Macon reached to his pocket like he was going for a gun and that Finch looked like he was getting ready to attack him, so he struck Finch side the head with his gun and "covered" Macon.

On the way down the street with the two men, the witness testified, Macon grabbed the officer's gun arm and Finch grabbed him around the neck and struck him in the face.

When Jesse Richardson, porter at the hotel, ran to the scene of the combat, Finch released his hold and Finch gave up on the condition that Mr. Wilson would not shoot him, it was testified. Later the two men were brought to the lock-up by Mr. Wilson.

Jesse Richardson testified that the two men came into the hotel and wanted a room. He said that he told them that he could not let them have a room unless they had money or baggage. He said that the men were on the porch when Mr. Wilson came up and that he heard the conversation that took place and was a witness to the assault. His testimony was that Officer Wilson told the men that he was an officer before he struck Finch. In addition, he said, Mr. Wilson had on his badge which was in plain sight.

Roosevelt Bullock, bell hop at the hotel, corroborated the testimony given by Officer Wilson and Richardson in regard to the Vance county men being informed by Mr. Wilson as to his authority. Bullock said that he did not see all the fight due to the fact that he had gone after Chief Drake.

Neither of the defendants went on the stand, nor did they bring any witnesses here to testify in their behalf. They were at first sentenced to four months on the roads, but before court adjourned Officer Wilson told Judge Taylor that Macon was not as much at fault as was Finch and asked that he be given a lighter sentence than his companion in crime. Others interceded in behalf of Finch and their sentences were changed to fines of \$10 and \$25 plus court costs.

John Vincent, negro of Littleton arrested by Sheriff W. J. Pinnell, Fred Bobbitt and Fate Weaver after a small quantity of liquor and some home brew had been found at his home and still sites had been located near his premises, was given a six months road sentence, suspended provided he pay a fine and court costs and remain of good behavior for two years. A number of white citizens from Littleton and nearby were in court in behalf of the negro, testifying that they had never heard of Vinson selling any whiskey and stating that he was a man of good character. The defendant, who was represented by S. G. Daniel of Littleton, plead guilty to having the liquor and brew. He told the court that the booze was there as medicine for his daughter and that he made the brew for his own consumption.

Ed Rodwell, negro, was fined \$5 and costs after he had been found guilty of possessing and transporting a pint of whiskey. A similar charge brought Anthony Johnson, white man, into the toils of the law. He was found guilty of having a small quantity of whiskey in a jar and was fined \$5 and taxed with

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TOWN TAX RATE REMAINS AT \$1

Adopt Budget For Fiscal Year At Meeting Held On Monday Night

POLL RATE FIXED AT \$3

The tax rate for the Town of Warrenton for the fiscal year 1934-35 was set on Monday night, when the commissioners adopted the budget, at \$1 on the \$100 valuation, the same rate in effect here for years. Poll tax was set at \$3.

The budget approved by the commissioners calls for a total expenditure of \$31,600. Thirty-two hundred twenty-three dollars and eighty-four cents of this amount is for the general fund. The street department is expected to use \$8,326.16, while \$3,180 will be used for police purposes. The fire department was allotted \$1,450; the water department \$5,850. Bond payment calls for the greatest outlay of cash, \$8,820. Seven hundred and fifty dollars was allotted the Hotel.

Commissioner G. H. Macon called the attention of the Board to the fact that State men had complained of garbage being dumped near the prison camp. The commissioners instructed the street committee to have as much of this refuse as possible burned.

A \$25 a month boost was given the police department. Ten dollars was given in raise to Chief M. M. Drake and Night Officer R. L. Wilson received \$15.

Debt Adjustment Committee Formed Here Wednesday

The County Farm Debt Adjustment committee for Warren county recently appointed by Governor Ehringhaus held its organization meeting in the office of Jesse Gardner, director of relief, on Wednesday morning, at which time Mr. Gardner was named secretary, A. S. Bugg, chairman, and R. L. Capps, vice chairman. Harry P. Watkins, representative of the Farm Debt Adjustment Commission of Raleigh, met with the Warren group.

Members of the committee appointed by Governor Ehringhaus in addition to Messrs. Gardner, Bugg and Capps are W. A. Delbridge and E. H. Pinnell.

The purpose of the committee, now organized and ready to work is to assist both the distressed farm owner and mortgage holders to adjust their differences in a friendly way in a friendly meeting together, it was said. Any debtor or creditor seeking a readjustment in the debt relationship one to the other may ask this committee to investigate and make recommendation to each or both parties for the purpose of effecting a satisfactory solution of any existing difficulties.

Application blanks will be furnished to either the debtor or creditor seeking adjustment. These blanks will be furnished by any member of the committee and may be used to request the aid of the committee. This committee has nothing to do with the actual refinancing of farm loans under the Federal Farm Relief Legislative program. Debtors or creditors wishing to use the services of this committee should get in touch with Chairman A. S. Bugg, or any other member of the committee.

The State Committee consists of the following members: Lionel Weill, chairman, Goldsboro; R. A. Doughton, Sparta, Dr. D. W. Forster, Executive Secretary, Raleigh; J. L. Skinner, Littleton, Millard F. Jones, Rocky Mount; H. A. Mills, High Point, Julian Price, Greensboro, M. O. Blount, Bethel, J. Allen Taylor, Wilmington.

It was pointed out by Mr. Watkins that Warren county is indebted on farm lands to the excess of one million dollars and the State of North Carolina is indebted in excess of one hundred and five million dollars.

LIBRARIAN IN OXFORD

Miss Mabel Davis, librarian of the Warren County Memorial Library, is spending this week at Oxford. In her absence, Miss Georgia Tarwater is in charge of the library.

Dr. Rives Taylor of Oxford and son, Rives Taylor Jr. of Raleigh, arrived yesterday to spend a few days here with the grandparents of Rives Taylor Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Howard F. Jones.

Mr. W. K. Falkner of Norfolk spent the week end here with his family.

Mr. Sol Fishel left Tuesday after a visit of several days to his home at Vaughan and Hotel Warren.

What A Boy



OLD POINT COMFORT BEACH, Va. . . "Sea Serpent Guaranteed" is now the slogan of vacationists in the Hampton Roads area since the "gent" (above) made a shrieking appearance recently, a work-of-art joke by Mrs. Richard Conn and Mrs. John M. Lewis.

County Board Favors Route Over Mosby Avenue

Warren county commissioners on Monday endorsed the Mosby Avenue route for a state highway in preference to the Furgerson street route, after Joseph P. Pippen, Littleton attorney, appeared before that body with a petition signed by a large number of Littleton citizens requesting the endorsement and giving their reasons for preferring such route. Mr. Pippen said that a small number of citizens had petitioned the Halifax Board to endorse the Furgerson street route and the Halifax County governing authorities had granted their request.

Much of the time of the Board on Monday was taken up with requesting endorsement of road projects. Seventy-one Shocco township citizens petitioned the Board to request the State Highway Commission to "get an improved road through the meadow across Shocco Creek into Lickskilllet," and also a road "from the gin site to Mr. John Alston's place, then on east to join the road from Shady Grove to Lickskilllet." In addition the Shocco citizens stated that they would like to have the "road made or improved leading out from Lickskilllet on the Slochs and to Louisburg."

On motion, duly seconded, it was ordered that the State Highway Commission be requested to take over and maintain a certain section of road in Warren county designated as follows: "Beginning one and one-half miles West of Littleton and hardsurfaced route No. 48 south one-half miles to Nicholson Old Home Place, then west eight-tenths miles to Reid Road, follow old rural route No. 3. Total length one and three-tenths miles and being in Judkins township."

It was ordered that the State Highway Commission be requested

Lewis R. Baugh Dies In Indiana

Lewis Ryland Baugh, formerly of this town, died in a government hospital at Marion, Ind., on Tuesday, it was learned here yesterday. His remains were buried at Petersburg Thursday afternoon, it was said.

Mr. Baugh, with other members of his family, lived in north Warrenton prior to the World War. After the United States entered the conflict he joined the army and saw service in France. After the Armistice he was committed to a government hospital where he remained until his death.

The deceased is survived by his mother, one brother, Alvin Baugh, and three sisters, Mrs. J. N. Harper, Mrs. Gray Lovell of Richmond, and another sister in Richmond whose name could not be learned here yesterday afternoon.

Men Were Rescued By White Citizen

Johnny Hunt and Buck Clopton, white men swept into the raging torrent of Little Shocco Creek when the bridge gave way on the night of July 28, during a severe storm, were rescued from trees that night by William Mustian, a white man, instead of an unknown negro, as was reported in the last week's issue of The Warren Record, it was learned here this week.

A representative of this newspaper was informed by a reliable person last week that the shouts of the men attracted the attention of a negro who lived nearby and that the negro went to their rescue.

Pass Ordinance Forbidding Garage Men To Park Cars

Garage men of Warrenton will not be permitted to park their cars, trucks or wreckers on the Main Street of Warrenton, according to an ordinance passed by the Board of Town Commissioners in regular session on Monday night.

The ordinance, which brought forth much discussion as to parking needs and remedies here, was passed after John G. Tarwater, of several stores on Main Street, appeared before the Board asking that such action be taken. He was accompanied by George Frazier, renter of one of these stores, who stated that congestion caused by Gillam Auto Company parking its cars, trucks and wrecker on Main street interfered to some degree with his business.

Several members of the Board expressed themselves as favoring the substitution of an ordinance that would prevent any townspeople from parking on Main Street for more than an hour, and allowing country people free parking privileges here. Town Attorney Julius Banzet, attending the meeting, ruled that such ordinance was discriminatory and therefore unconstitutional. Asked if the ordinance applying to garage men was not also unconstitutional, replied in the negative, pointing out that it discriminated against a class, and was therefore legal.

The ordinance as passed and ordered posted by the commissioners barring the use of the street to garage men as a parking space for cars, trucks and wreckers, reads as follows:

"It shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation or employee of such, engaged in the business of buying, selling, repairing, servicing, or storing automobiles to park the same, whether new or used, or any truck, wrecker, or service cars, upon Main Street in the town of Warrenton. Any person, firm, corporation, or employee of such a person, firm or corporation violating this ordinance shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be fined a sum not to exceed \$25 for each offense, discretionary upon the Mayor."

434 Head Cattle Arrive In Warren During Week End

Four hundred and thirty-four head of cattle arrived at Littleton on Saturday and Sunday as the first consignment of cattle from the drought area of the west to Warren county, it was learned at the office of Jesse Gardner, director of relief. The animals were taken to the Jack Johnston farm in River township.

It was learned at the office of the relief director yesterday that 19 addition cars of these cattle were enroute to Warren county. Each car contains from 30 to 45 heads of cattle, J. Edward Rooker of the relief office said.

Community Picnic To Be Held At Wise

A community picnic will be held at Wise on next Wednesday, August 15, Mrs. C. W. Cole announced yesterday.

Free Brunswick stew will be served and in addition citizens are asked to bring baskets. A baseball game and other forms of amusement will be enjoyed. Mrs. Cole expressed the hope that a large crowd would attend.

HOSTESS AT DANCE

Little Miss Sarah Hilar Falkner was hostess at a dance in the home of her friends at a dance in the home of her grandfather, Mr. J. J. Tarwater, on Tuesday night. Music was furnished on the mouth organ by Robert B. House, dean of the University of North Carolina, who is visiting relatives here this week. Mr. House also led a number of the dances.

Those dancing in addition to the hostess were Nancy Moore, Fairfax Mitchell, Nancy Moseley, Phylis Kinsey, Lula McCraw Gay, Mary Tasker Gibbs, Sterling Moore, James K. Moore, Jimmie Boyce, Dick Miles, Norman Kline, Fitzhugh Read, Loyd Kinsey.

Spectators were Mrs. Hannah Arrington, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Alston, Mr. and Mrs. Robert House, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Moore, Mr. and Mrs. Fitzhugh Read, Mrs. Frank Gibbs, Mrs. John Mitchell and Miss Mary Hinton Watson.

Messrs. Pryor Allen, H. P. Reid, Allen Hilliard and Bill Reid, and Charles Allen are spending a few days at Ocean View, Va., fishing.

MAY LOCATE A CANNERY HERE

Government Man Here Tuesday; Town May Have To Make Concessions

MASS MEETING PLANNED

Warrenton may obtain a government cannery with a monthly payroll of approximately \$2500 and giving employment to around 100 persons for a period of two years, it was learned here late Tuesday afternoon when R. E. Nance of the Department of Agriculture came here to consult with Jesse Gardner, local director of relief. In the absence of Mr. Gardner, he talked the matter over with Edward Rooker Jr. of the relief office.

According to Mr. Rooker, Mr. Nance said that other towns had offered to provide floor space and power and water in the event that the government would establish a cannery in their community. He said that 2500 square feet of floor space would be necessary and estimated that the monthly power and water bill would be around \$35 or \$40. Mr. Rooker said that Mr. Nance did not say it would be necessary for Warrenton to provide these facilities, but was pointing out what other towns had offered, and expressed the opinion that if local citizens and his department could reach an agreement that it was very probable that a cannery would be established here.

About a dozen business men, learning of the proposition offered by Mr. Nance, met in the court room here on Wednesday morning with Mr. Rooker, discussed the matter from several angles and expressing the hope that the town might obtain this industry, instructed Mr. Rooker to write Mr. Nance asking him to come to Warrenton and present his plans to the citizens who will be called into mass meeting as soon as it can be learned when Mr. Nance can come here.

The purpose of the cannery is to can beef from Government cattle sent into Warren county from the drought stricken areas of the west. No cattle will be slaughtered here, it is understood, but the beef will be trucked in for canning. Two-thirds of the persons hired would probably be women. Mr. Rooker expressed the opinion that many of the employees would come from the relief rolls, but added that he did not think that all the employees could be obtained from this source.

Drake's Report Shows 99.5 Percent Of Taxes Collected

Chief M. M. Drake, tax collector for the town of Warrenton, collected 99.5 per cent of the 1933 tax levy of the town, it was revealed in his report to the Board of Town Commissioners in session here on Monday night.

Littleton Board Holds Meeting

Littleton, August 8.—The Commissioners of the Town of Littleton met in regular session on Thursday night, August 2, with five commissioners present.

Mr. J. M. Porter, vice-president of the Carolina Telephone and Telegraph Co., was present at the meeting in the interest of renewing the franchise for operating the telephone system, which franchise expired December, 1933. No definite action was taken at this time.

A motion to donate \$25 to the Fire Company for the purpose of defraying the expenses of a delegate to the Fire Convention at Charlotte was voted upon and carried.

Several routine matters were dispatched and a number of bills ordered paid. The Board has recently had the town water tank painted aluminum color, and the appearance is very much improved.

CONDITION NOT MUCH BETTER

Mrs. Wallace F. Mustian, who is in Duke Hospital undergoing treatment, was reported as not being much better late Thursday afternoon. Dr. Mustian and daughter have been with her since last Thursday.

CRITICALLY ILL

The condition of Mr. R. J. Jones late Thursday afternoon was reported as not being much better, having remained in a coma all of the day. He is in the home of his daughter, Mrs. M. C. McGuire.

Miss Mamie Williams left on Tuesday night for New York where she will spend about two weeks visiting Mr. W. H. Alston.