

## LIQUOR BLAMED DEATH OF CHILD

Autopsy Performed To Determine If Child Was Killed By Whiskey

### TWO ARRESTS ARE MADE

Coroner Ed Petar said yesterday that the hearing which began here Tuesday when an autopsy was performed upon the body of five-year-old Theo Hayes of near Ridgeway to determine if the child came to his death from whiskey imbibed at the home of his parents on Sunday would be resumed on Monday and that at the conclusion of this hearing another hearing would probably be held to decide whether the boys' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Hayes, and Edison Hicks and Al Riggan, should be held for Superior court on murder charges.

The hearing was continued from this week until next week in order to get the report of Dr. Carpenter of Wake Forest, professor of pathology, to whom the organs of the boy were sent to determine the cause of death. The report from the laboratory specialist is expected today or tomorrow, Coroner Petar said.

The autopsy, performed here on Tuesday in the T. V. Allen undertaking parlors by Dr. F. P. Hunter, county health officer, and Dr. G. H. Macon, was ordered by Solicitor W. H. S. Burgwyn who was informed that the child's death was probably due to whiskey imbibed at his parents home.

The child died in the Maria Parham hospital, Henderson, on Monday, and according to an opinion expressed by Dr. W. H. Furman at the coroner's inquest, death was due to alcoholic poison. He said that he, Dr. Bass and Dr. Newcombe examined the patient when he was brought to the hospital for treatment, that they all smelled whiskey on him, and that it was their opinion that death was due to too much whiskey. Dr. Macon and Dr. Hunter concurred in opinion with the Henderson physicians as to the cause of death after they had made an examination of the body.

The five-year-old boy was sent to the hospital by Dr. G. H. Macon on Sunday when he was summoned to the Hayes home. Dr. Macon said that when he arrived at the Hayes home he found Theo Hayes unconscious, his two-year-old sister semi-conscious, his mother drunk, and his father, Hicks and Riggan under the influence of whiskey. Riggan was arrested Tuesday and placed in the Warren county jail, and on Wednesday Hicks, who is said to have been living with the Hayes since he was banished from Vance county on account of whiskey trouble, gave himself up to the sheriff. Mr. and Mrs. Hayes have not been taken into custody yet, it was learned yesterday from the sheriff's office.

Members of the jury impaneled by Coroner Ed Petar to hear the evidence in the case are C. C. Hunter, Jim Burroughs, Jasper Shearin, Ed Rodwell, W. R. Lancaster, and Fate Weaver.

The remains of Theo Hayes were buried on Tuesday following the autopsy.

## Library Nets \$50 From Play Monday

The Warren County Memorial Library realize \$50 from the staging of Black-Eyed Susan, a three-act musical comedy, at the John Graham high school on Monday night.

The play, a Wayne P. Sewell production directed by Miss Dorothy Dunn, was well received by the audience of about 300. The singing of Miss Gertrude Draper, as Black-Eyed Susan, and the make-up and stammering of William W. Taylor Jr., added a bit of spice to a play that was about the average of similar amateur performances. An added attraction that won the applause of the audience was the between-the-acts performance of Bill Cope on a guitar and piano accordion.

The cast included Miss Gertrude Draper, Sam Colerider, Mrs. J. B. Miller, Miss Dorothy Parker, Miss Margaret Blalock, Miss Marguerite Harris, Miss Ruby Connell, John Williams, Graham Morris, Frank Banzet, William Taylor, Earl Kinsey, Miss Jean Williams and Miss Emily (Continued on Page 4)

## Air Vanderbilt Linen



NEW YORK . . . Mrs. Gloria Morgan Vanderbilt (above), faced her mother and her aunt, Mrs. Harry Payne Whitney, in court seeking the custody of her daughter, Gloria 10, the \$4,000,000 heiress. They charged the mother not morally fit to have the child.

## Fort Jones Painfully Hurt In Wreck At Afton-Elberon

Fort Jones is recovering at his home in the Afton-Elberon neighborhood from serious injuries he sustained on Sunday afternoon when the automobile in which he was riding with four other white boys collided with a car driven by a negro named Davis at the intersection of the Vicksboro road with Route 59, which leads to Louisville.

Fort's injuries necessitated 72 stitches, it was said here. The other occupants of the car in which he was riding, Blaine Aycock, Furman Peoples, Ervin and W. B. Mustian, were badly shaken and bruised but they were not seriously hurt, it was said.

The car driven by Davis contained several other negroes, it was said. Davis' full name, or the names of those riding with him at the time of the wreck, could not be learned here yesterday, but it was reported that none of them were seriously hurt.

Both automobiles were badly damaged. It was reported here that the owner of the car in which the white boys were riding had settled with the negro for the damages done his car.

## Sister Warrenton Man Buried Friday

Funeral services for Mrs. P. H. Gill of Vance county, a brother of Henry Montgomery of Warrenton, were held at the Plank Chapel Methodist Episcopal Church at Bobbitt Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock, with interment in the Gill family plot in the church cemetery. Rev. B. O. Merritt, the pastor, was in charge of the services.

Mrs. Gill died at 7:45 p. m. Wednesday at her home in Kittrell township. She was 49 years old, having been born in Warren county August 7, 1885. Death was caused by a complication of diseases. She had been in declining health for some time, but her last illness was for about two months.

Since her marriage in 1910, Mrs. Gill had lived at "The Elms", county home of the family for three generations. She was formerly Miss Willie Montgomery Buchanan, adopted daughter of the late Mrs. William Buchanan of Vance county, and was known at Henderson as a fine spirited woman, interested in the affairs of home, church, community and school life.

Besides her husband, Mrs. Gill leaves two children, Hartwell and Elizabeth; two brothers, Henry Montgomery of Warrenton and Manley Montgomery of Butts, Montana; a sister, Mrs. James Robinson of Elmont, Va., brother and sister by adoption, Henry Buchanan of Henderson, and Mrs. N. M. Henderson of Richmond.

## 17 Warren Boys Go To CCC Camp

Seventeen Warren county boys were accepted at Raleigh last Friday for service in C. C. Camps. This county was allotted only fifteen men, but a shortage of applicants in another county resulted with three extra men from Warren being enlisted in this service.

Those accepted from Warren county are James Lewis Reavis, Elmer Powers, Emmett Whitby, Alfred Barnes, Robert Curl, Malin Hardy, Harry Marks Clifton King, Beverly Brown, Earle Calahan, Edward L. Faucette, Willis Clark, Robbie Harris, Milton Stegall, Jeremiah Adams, Leonard Reid, and Asa Throckmorton.

## Negro Found Guilty On Three Counts Monday

Wilmont Alston, negro, was found guilty on three charges when he was brought before Judge W. W. Taylor for trial in Recorder's court on Monday morning. He was the only defendant in the hall of justice this week.

The charges on which Alston was prosecuted by Solicitor Daniel were transporting and selling whiskey, operating an automobile with improper license, and assault and disorderly conduct.

A sentence of six months in jail, assigned to work the roads under the supervision of the State Highway and Public Works Commission, was meted out to the defendant on the whiskey charge. At the expiration of this sentence, it was the judgement of the court that he should serve two months for assault and cursing. In addition to these two sentences, he is to serve 30 days on the charge of operating an automobile without proper license.

## Cotton Ginning Shows Large Loss In Warren County

Nearly ten times as much cotton had been ginned in Warren county from the 1933 crop up to the first of October of that year as compared with the amount ginned from this year's crop for a similar period, figures submitted by Ben Tharrington, agent of the Department of Commerce, reveal.

According to Mr. Tharrington there were 562 bales of cotton ginned in Warren county from the crop of 1934 prior to October 1st as compared with 5,034 bales ginned to October 1, crop of 1933.

## Tells of Work Of Junior Red Cross

In view of the annual roll call which begins on Armistice Day, Miss Nancy Ellis, Junior Red Cross worker and a delegate to the Junior Red Cross convention in Washington, D. C., last April, this week, at the request of Roll Call Chairman E. G. Allen, writes of some of the things the Junior Red Cross has done during the past year. Miss Ellis' article follows:

There were three hundred delegates at the Junior Red Cross Convention in Washington last April. These represented seven and a half million members of the Junior Red Cross.

During the four days of the convention, every phase of the Junior Red Cross work was discussed. Limited space prohibits giving the full report; however, here are a few things the Junior Red Cross chapters have done during the past year.

One school in Indiana canned (Continued on Page 4)

## GROWERS VOTE KEEP PROGRAM

Meeting Held At Raleigh Wednesday To Consider Tobacco Plan

### VOTE TO BE TAKEN

Raleigh, Oct. 18.—Five hundred tobacco growers enthusiastically endorsed the AAA tobacco control plan here yesterday, and unanimously asked that it be extended.

A referendum on continuance of the plan under the provisions of the Kerr-Smith act will be conducted next month, Dean I. O. Schaub of State College announced following the meeting.

The referendum is required by the provisions of the Kerr-Smith act, and in it the producers will decide whether a tax will be levied again in 1935 on sales of tobacco grown by producers not operating under the acreage reduction contracts, and if so, what its rate will be.

Five States were represented in the gathering at State College at which J. B. Hutson, Chief of the Tobacco Section of the AAA, and I. O. Schaub of the College led the discussions.

The referendum may be conducted by mail or county agents may make personal contacts with each signer of the Kerr-Smith act. E. Y. Floyd of State College is chairman of the executive committee, which functions in an advisory capacity for North Carolina, South Carolina, Virginia and Georgia.

With dissenters silent if present, farmers and their representatives voiced their enthusiastic approval of the tobacco acreage control plan and suggestions for its continuance.

After considerable discussion, the growers voted to ask the agricultural administration to extend the contracts now in existence to cover a five-year period and adopted a motion by C. T. Hall, president of the North Carolina Tobacco Growers' Advisory Board, providing that J. B. Hutson, chief of the AAA tobacco section, be empowered to adjust the program to changing conditions from time to time.

In the afternoon the executive committee agreed on the sponsoring of the extension. It has not, however, been definitely decided as to what years the five-year extension will cover and until a more complete summary of the growers' opinions is available, it will not be decided as to whether the five years will include 1934 and 1935, the two years now under contract, or whether the period will begin at the expiration of the present contracts.

One of the meeting's two chief problems had been the length of the extension. Some representatives felt that five years was too long, due to the inevitability of changing times. Mr. Hall's motion apparently settled (Continued on Page 8)

## American Legion Candidate



SAN FRANCISCO . . . Frank N. Belgrano, Jr., (above), is the leading Pacific Coast candidate for the office of National Commander of the American Legion at the national convention at Miami, Fla., Oct. 22 to 25.

## Red Cross Workers To Meet At Court House Tonight

Red Cross workers will meet in the court house tonight at 8 o'clock to discuss work of the organization in connection with the annual membership roll call which begins on Armistice Day, E. G. Allen, county roll call chairman, announced yesterday.

The meeting will be presided over by A. J. Berres, state representative of the Red Cross. It is hoped that as many as possible of those interested in Red Cross work will attend this meeting, Mr. Allen said.

## Mrs. Lola Bennett Buried On Monday

Burial services for Mrs. Lola D. Bennett of Durham, formerly of Warrenton, were conducted at Fairview cemetery on Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock by the Rev. R. E. Brickhouse, Baptist minister of Warrenton.

Mrs. Bennett, who was 75 years old, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. W. W. Ryland, of near South Hill, on Sunday afternoon about 3 o'clock. Although she had not been very strong for some time, she was not regarded as being sick and her death came as a shock to relatives and friends.

Mrs. Bennett moved to Durham from Warrenton twelve or fifteen years ago, but during these years she came back here for visits and had a number of friends in and around Warrenton.

The deceased is survived by one son, John Bennett of Durham, and three daughters, Mrs. V. E. Wilson and Mrs. Martha Parker of Durham, and Mrs. W. W. Ryland of South Hill.

Palbearers were C. R. Rodwell, Dr. G. H. Macon, Joe Ryland, Owen Robertson, Russell Palmer, H. A. Moseley, and John Bell.

## Forget-Me-Nots To Be Sold Saturday

Pointing out that forget-me-nots will be sold on Saturday October 20, for the disabled American veterans, Mrs. C. R. Rodwell this week submits the following article prepared by Wickes Wamboldt:

"There is no more disheartening feeling than the belief that your country does not appreciate a sacrifice that you have made for it. Nothing so discourages, so depresses a man as the stark realization that although he has given his best, perhaps his all, to help his nation, and to benefit his fellow countrymen, his efforts are not appreciated or have been forgotten.

"Forget-Me-Not" is a plea that instinctively goes up from the heart of the fellow who has laid himself (Continued on page 2)

## SQUARE DANCE

A square dance will be held in the armory at Warrenton on Monday night, October 22, for the benefit of Limer Post No. 25 of the American Legion, W. F. Alston, commander, announced this week. Mr. Alston said that this will be the first dance which has been promoted by the legion in about two years and that it would be as nice and entertaining as the dances which the legion used to sponsor.

## IMPROVING

Mrs. L. C. Brothers, who underwent a serious operation in Watts hospital at Durham on Tuesday, is improving, it was learned yesterday from the Rev. Mr. Brothers, who said that she was reacting from the operation as well as could be hoped for.

## Tobacco Growers Honor Congressman John Kerr

### John P. Leach, Littleton Citizen, Dies Suddenly

Littleton, Oct. 18.—Funeral services for John P. Leach, who died suddenly Monday afternoon, were held Tuesday afternoon at 3:00 o'clock at St. Alban's Episcopal Church, with interment in Sunset Hill Cemetery. Rev. B. N. deFoe Wagner, pastor of the deceased, conducted the last rites and was assisted by Rev. Rufus Bradley and Rev. C. R. Jenkins.

Mr. Leach, who was in his 55th year, suffered a heart attack Monday afternoon while in the local post office and died instantly. He was a lifelong resident of Littleton, the son of the late Ellen Douglas Moore and John P. Leach. At the time of his death he was manager of the Littleton Cotton Warehouse.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Sally Johnston Leach, three daughters, Mrs. Wilfred Redmond of Washington, D. C., Miss Katharine Moore Leach of Raleigh and Miss Rebecca Johnston Leach of Littleton, and three sons, John P. Jr., William Johnston and James Moore Leach; three sisters, Mrs. J. P. Phippen, Mrs. Mabel Morris and Miss Lucy Leach, all of Littleton.

Palbearers were Mr. Leach's fox-hunter friends: Sydney Cooper of Henderson, J. C. Powell of Inez, Bug Neal and N. M. Thornton of Macon, R. H. Arrington of Hollister, Willie T. Robinson of Essex, Dr. W. G. Rodgers, Dr. Gid Macon and Dr. W. W. Taylor of Warrenton.

Among the out-of-town people present for the funeral were: Mr. and Mrs. Walter Vaughan and daughter of Henderson, Mrs. Jack Watkins of Henderson; Mr. T. W. Bruton, Asst. Atty. General of Raleigh, Mr. Cary Dowd, Mrs. Irma Ryder, and Mrs. Eugenia Perry of Raleigh, Mrs. L. M. Johnston of Durham, Mr. Hugh Bloomer and Mr. Aubrey Bloomer of Enfield, Mr. George Green of Weldon, Mr. Ed Travis, Sr., and Mr. Meade Mitchell of Halifax, Mr. W. A. Thorne and Mr. Murphy Jackson of Roanoke Rapids, Miss Mary Powell Phippen of Greenville, Mr. Rip Dunn and Mr. Mack Johnston of Enfield, Mr. B. F. Moore and Miss Albertine Moore of Raleigh, Mr. and Mrs. George Rose of Macon.

Dr. Hutson said in prefacing his remarks that his duties were very pressing and that he did not have the time to come to Warrenton, but that he came because he had worked with Congressman Kerr in Washington on the tobacco program and wanted to be present in his honor. It is probable that tobacco growers will be allowed to increase the production of tobacco in the bright belt next year to the extent of approximately 100,000,000 pounds provided the growers vote to continue their curtailment program and provided further that there is no decrease in consumption, Mr. Hutson said. Telling of the part that the curtailment program was playing in the price being paid for tobacco, he said that the growers of the bright belt in 1934 would receive \$150,000,000 for their crop; in 1933 they were paid \$120,000,000; and in 1932 they only received \$43,000,000.

## Debtors Fail To Seek Home Loans

"Hard-pressed property owners in Warren county don't seem to be taking advantage of the relief which is offered through the Home Owners' Loan Corporation," Gilbert Scott, appraiser, commented this week. "The people in this county are in good financial condition or either don't know that they can save their mortgaged homes through this organization," Mr. Scott reasoned, adding that the number of application received so far from people in this county don't begin to compare with the applications which have been made in other counties of the state.

The Home Owners' Loan Corporation loans up to 80 per cent of the appraised value of the property upon which application is made for a loan, Mr. Scott stated.

Mr. Scott was named appraiser for the corporation several weeks ago. Prior to the appointment of Mr. Scott, this work was being looked after by Harry Fishel of Vaughan. (Continued on Page 8)

## Mrs. Daniel Pegram Claimed By Death

The remains of Mrs. Daniel W. Pegram were laid to final rest beside the body of her husband in the family cemetery near Macon on Saturday afternoon following funeral services conducted from the home of her daughter, Mrs. B. H. Thompson of Vaughan, by the Rev. R. E. Brickhouse, Baptist minister of Warrenton, at 3 o'clock.

Mrs. Pegram, who was 69 years old, died at Mrs. Thompson's home Friday—nine days after her husband's death. He died October 3rd at the age of 78 years.

Mr. and Mrs. Pegram were married in 1886. They are survived by three daughters, Mrs. Tom J. Tucker of Macon, Mrs. G. F. Lancaster of Vaughan, Mrs. B. H. Thompson of Vaughan, and several grandchildren. Mrs. Pegram also leaves one brother, W. Henry Harris of Vaughan, and one sister, Mrs. B. G. Riggan of Macon.

## Hold Public Rally At School And Barbecue At Warehouse Thursday

### TOBACCO CHIEF IS HERE

Congressman John H. Kerr was honor guest at a public rally at the school auditorium Thursday afternoon and at a barbecue at Boyd's Warehouse following the speaking as an expression of appreciation for his work in obtaining increased tobacco prices. The entertainment was sponsored by tobacco farmers and warehousemen. About four hundred persons, mostly farmers, were present at the auditorium. A hundred or more additional guests were present at the cue.

Present to tell about the tobacco program and to pay honor to Judge Kerr were J. B. Hutson, chief of the Tobacco division of the AAA, of Washington, D. C.; J. C. Lanier of Greenville, tobacco code administrator; and E. Y. Floyd of tobacco division of the state extension service, Raleigh.

J. Edward Rooker, Sr. veteran warehouseman of Warrenton, acted as master of ceremonies. Following invocation by the Rev. O. I. Hinson, Methodist minister, Mr. Rooker extended a welcome to those present in behalf of the town and in behalf of the Warrenton Tobacco Board of Trade. He praised the work of Bob Bright, county agent, and to his corps of assistants and in introducing Judge Kerr later in the afternoon paid him a most eloquent tribute.

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Prefacing his remarks about the 100,000,000 pounds probable increase for next year, Mr. Hutson said that in 1933 production was about 100,000,000 pounds greater than consumption and in 1934 it was approximately 100,000,000 less than consumption.

Ed Turner, chairman of the county tobacco committee, said that it was the intention of the committee to honor Bob Bright for his work among the tobacco farmers jointly with Congressman Kerr, but that the committee was remiss and that Mr. Bright had to do practically all the work in getting up the entertainment, driving his car all over the county for the past two days making arrangements. He expressed his regret that the work should have fallen to the agent, thus preventing him from being honored upon this occasion. "I am ashamed of this," Mr. Turner said. "It ought not to have happened."

Mr. Turner expressed his thanks for assistance rendered and said that he wanted to especially thank the Warrenton warehousemen who contributed so liberally towards the cost of the barbecue. Expressing his gratification with the results of the curtailment program, Mr. Turner (Continued on Page 8)

## 31,068 Doses Of Vaccine Are Given

Thirty-one thousand and sixty-eight inoculations were given in the recent countywide campaign against typhoid fever and diphtheria, Dr. F. P. Hunter, county health officer, stated yesterday.

The 31,068 inoculations represent 3,000 doses of serum to children to prevent diphtheria and approximately 28,500 "shots in the arm" to prevent typhoid fever.

Only two inoculations of the diphtheria serum are necessary to immunize, but in order to prevent typhoid fever three doses are required, the county health officer stated. Around 9,500 persons were given the typhoid treatment, and about 1500 children were vaccinated against diphtheria. Dr. Hunter said.