

Short Court Term Is Adjourned Here Early Wednesday

An unusually short term of criminal court ended here at noon Wednesday when Presiding Judge Raymond Mallard of Tabor City adjourned the September term of Warren County Superior Court.

much spectator interest. In the sole jury case of the term, Mrs. Addie G. Majewski Rodwell was found guilty of driving an automobile while drunk, and was given a six-months suspended sentence and ordered to pay a fine of \$150 and court costs.

12 months suspended sentence; and Richard Hargrove, failure to stop for patrolman's signal and no operator's license, 30 days suspended sentence on each count.

Jurors Drawn For October Term Superior Court

Jurors for the October civil term of Superior Court were drawn by the County Commissioners on Monday as follows: James W. Clark, Albert G. Bender, Ralph R. White, R. L. Robinson, Jerome Boyd, Mrs. T. H. Aycock, Mrs. R. A. Harris, Jr., J. H. Burnett, M. H. Felts, W. H. King, Jr., J. E. Floyd, George W. Davis, T. P. Perkinson, Hector Aycock, Edward C. Conn, O. H. Yancey, Linwood R. Ivey, James Holt Young, Milton J. Ayscue, E. P. Daniel, Mrs. Hal W. Connell, Arthur Willis Gooch, Albert Lee Coleman, Horton King, Cicero Alston.

Patrons Appeal As Injunction Denied

Judge Raymond Mallard late Wednesday afternoon denied a motion that would have restrained 7th and 8th grade pupils from the Afton-Elberon school district in Warren County from attending a school in Macon.

Macon building was not suitable, that the distance to be traveled by the students was too great, and that lost time in traveling resulting in a shorter school day to the great harm of the students.

er, denied the allegations and supported them in great part with affidavits. Among these were affidavits from Dr. W. Burns Jones, county health officer, who said that no health hazard existed at the school; from Howard Stultz, county sanitarian, who said that the sanitary conditions at the Macon school were excellent; and from Calvin White, school supervisor, who said that the pupils should be able to learn

more during the shorter school day because there is a teacher for each grade in the Macon school while at Afton-Elberon there were two grades to each teacher.

However, Judge Mallard based his decision almost entirely on the powers of the Board of Education to assign pupils to other schools, and the question was to determine whether the transfer of the pupils was an assignment or a consolidation. County boards have great authority under the Pearsall Act to assign pupils.

After some three hours of studying legal opinions Judge Mallard ruled that the Board of Education had not exceeded its authority and denied the motion for an injunction.

Notice of an appeal was given.

No oral testimony was given except by plaintiffs' attorney Blackburn and Blackburn of Henderson and defendants' attorney, Frank Banzet of Warrenton, and the greater part of this testimony was in answer to questions by Judge Mallard.

The Afton-Elberon school has been operating a four-teacher eight grades school for a number of years, but enrollment in the school has declined because of loss of population in the rural community. At Macon there will be a teacher for each grade. Graduates of both the Macon and Afton-Elberon elementary schools enter the John Graham High School at Warrenton.

Supt. of Schools J. Roger Peeler said following the decision of Judge Mallard that he hoped that now the pupils would return to school.

"It is my sincere hope," he said, "that all parents will now send their children to school. Pupils who remain out of school after this week will get behind in their studies and will have difficulty in making their grade."

Ben D. Wilson Dies In Durham

DURHAM — Benjamin D. Wilson, resident of Clearwater, Fla., died Wednesday at the Veterans Administration Hospital here.

Funeral services will be held Friday at 2 p. m. at Clements Funeral Chapel. Interment will be in Arlington National Cemetery.

Mr. Wilson was born in Warrenton, the son of the late Samuel Gray and Carrie Vaughan Wilson. He graduated from John Graham High School in Warrenton, where he lived until moving to California in 1935. He lived there until he moved to Florida in 1954.

Mr. Wilson was a member of the Warren Plains Methodist Church. He served in the Army during World War II and was a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, a member of the Lions Club and a Mason.

Surviving are his wife, one daughter, Vickie Wilson; one son, David Wilson; eight sisters, Mrs. W. C. Wilson and Mrs. W. E. Stanley, both of Durham, Mrs. Mary Murray of Philadelphia, Pa., Mrs. Richard Webb of Vista, California, Mrs. Harry Wake of Silver Springs, Md., Mrs. S. B. Hamlet of Reidsville, Miss Mildred Wilson of Clearwater, Fla., and Miss Katherine Wilson and Martin Wilson, all of Rocky Mount, and Stewart G. Wilson of Emporia, Va.

Bus Driver Halts Vehicle As Stork Causes Problems

Passengers on a bus in Blackburn, England, were surprised when Colin Bates, the driver, stopped the bus and raced for home after a friend signaled him that his wife, Joan, was about to have a baby.

Bates found that the situation was not urgent. He returned to the bus and took it to the bus station.



Members of the Warren County Board of Education study briefs and affidavits during injunction hearing held before Judge Raymond Mallard here on Wednesday afternoon. Members of the board are, left to right, Ed Harvey of Littleton, Chairman Eugene Davis of Inez, Superintendent J. Roger Peeler, and Dr. S. H. Massy of Warrenton. (Staff Photo)

Academic Foundation To Be Formed At J. Graham

John Graham High School is to have an academic foundation the purpose of which is to strengthen the academic department of the school through private donations.

Some 30 Booster Club members were present and readily agreed to help raise the money for such a fund, but a majority of the members were unwilling to attempt to raise such funds as a part of the annual Boosters ticket campaign.

The name to be later selected. The sole purpose of this foundation would be to raise funds for the John Graham, Mariam Boyd and Macon school. It was further agreed that after the foundation is organized and functioning that the Boosters Club would have no connection with the foundation, and that all monies raised would be expended by the school administration.

This was determined on Tuesday night at a called meeting of the Warrenton Boosters Club to discuss school needs other than athletics with the Warrenton school committee.

Following more than an hour's discussion, during which no disagreement with the need for extra funds for the promotion of the schools was voiced, the consensus of the group was that an academic foundation should be formed.

The group upon motion instructed Boosters Club president Eugene Wilson to name a committee to organize the foundation and have this committee report to the Boosters Club at a called meeting at an early date.

Committeemen present at the meeting were Chairman W. R. Drake and members A. C. Blacklock and Dr. Tom Holt. Drake acted as spokesman.

Drake told the Boosters that it was impossible to maintain a high standard school without some form of subsidy, and pointed out a number of needs of the John Graham, Mariam Boyd and Macon schools, which could only be solved by private donations.

Following the meeting, the committee will meet to select a name for the foundation and to begin raising funds for the school.

The resolution was one of only three minutes recorded by Clerk S. E. Allen during the entire day—one of the quietest sessions in years.

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Contempt Of Court

A Henderson man, E. L. Shook, began serving a ten-day sentence in the Warren County jail here on Wednesday after Judge Raymond Mallard charged him with contempt of court.

Committeemen To Be Elected Monday

Warren County farmers will elect community ASC committeemen in an election to be held on Monday, September 11, in the twelve communities of the county. The polls will open at 8 a. m. and close at 6 p. m.

Shook, subpoenaed to appear in Warren County Superior Court this week to testify in a larceny case, failed to appear when the case was called.

Judge Mallard ordered the man found and brought before the court. Shook was subsequently brought before the Tabor City jurist and was sentenced to ten days in jail when the judge saw that the delayed witness was drunk.

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Every farmer who is eligible to participate in any program administered by the County ASC Committee is eligible to vote, W. S. Smiley, ASC chairman, said this week. This means, he said, any owner, operator, tenant or sharecropper on a farm participating in the Agricultural Conservation Program, the Soil Bank Program or who is eligible for price support on any crops produced.

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According to the judgment of the court, Shook's behavior "interfered with and disrupted the business of the court," and that furthermore "his deliberate conduct exhibited a total lack of respect of the law and the process of the court, and the authority of the law and the administration of justice."

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When it was revealed that although several bids had been requested that there were no competitive bids for the work, the commissioners deferred any action until a ruling can be obtained from the County Attorney who was in court when the committee appeared before the board.

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Royster Heads Tobacco Council

HENDERSON — Fred S. Royster of Henderson has been named president of the National Tobacco Tax Council. The election was at the recent annual meeting of the council held in Richmond, Va. He had previously been vice-president.

Warren Boy Jailed; 'Never Had Chance'

Seven years ago a Warren County home fell apart when young Len Henderson's mother left to find employment in the north.

Board Requests Speed Zone In Town Of Norlina

Route 401 from the Norlina city limits to its junction with Route No. 1 will be designated as a 35 miles per hour speed zone, if the State Highway Commission heeds a request of the Warren County Board of Commissioners.

Relected as secretary was W. P. Hedrick, of Raleigh, while Carl T. Hicks of Walstonburg was reelected treasurer.

Len Henderson was thirteen years old then, and he made his first big decision all by himself a little later. He quit school. Perhaps it was the only thing to do, his neighbors recall that he had gotten in trouble when he created a disturbance on the school bus.

The commissioners at their meeting here Tuesday passed a resolution asking for the zoning of the stretch of Norlina street after Highway Patrolman Bobby Clark had pointed out the need for the restriction and said that it would greatly help officers in curbing speeding in the area.

Royster was for many years president of the Bright Belt Warehouse Association from its its beginning, and in more recent years has been managing director of the association. He is a former president of the Middle Belt Warehouse Association, was for many years a warehouseman in Henderson. He is also a former State legislator, with four terms in the House and one in the State Senate.

He tried living for a time with his mother in a northern state, but did not like life there, and soon returned to an unoccupied three-room house near Drewry where he made his home alone. From time to time he tried his hand at odd jobs and made enough money to insure his existence.

Following Clark's request, the commissioners, upon motion of Commissioner Richard Davis and second of Commissioner Ellington, passed the following resolution: "It appearing to this Board that a number of school children have to cross U. S. Highway Nos. 401 and 158 to walk to the Norlina school.

National Guard To Stage Deer Hunt At Butner

HENDERSON — Major General Claude T. Bowers, State Adjutant General, announced Monday that the North Carolina Guard will hold a public deer hunt on the National Guard military reservation at Butner on November 20, 21 and 22, 1961.

Fair Outlines CAP's Role For Rotarians

Warrenton Rotarians got a look at the part the Civil Air Patrol plays in Civil Defense on Tuesday night when Major A. C. Fair, commandant of the CAP unit, outlined their program.

Cabinet Officer To Address Two Farm Cooperatives

RALEIGH — Orville L. Freeman will make his first public appearance in North Carolina as Secretary of Agriculture Friday, September 15, before a joint session of two farm cooperatives in Raleigh.

The general public may make application to participate in the hunt at any North Carolina Army National Guard armory between September 11 and October, 1961. All applications will be forwarded to the 30th Infantry Division headquarters in Raleigh.

A motion picture showing various types of aircraft and missiles was shown the local Rotarians. Narrator of the movie was Brig. Gen. James Stewart, a Hollywood actor who was a World War II pilot and more recently a member of the Strategic Air Command.

Occasion will be the annual meeting of the Farmers Cooperative Exchange and the N. C. Cotton Growers Cooperative Association. The event is scheduled to be held at the N. C. State Fair Arena.

Colonel Clarence B. Shimer has been named hunt supervisor and will direct all phases of the hunt.

A drawing of names for each day's hunt will be made on the 18th of October in Raleigh. Persons selected to participate will be notified through the National Guard unit where application was filed.

G. D. Arndt, general manager of the two organization, said an audience of more than 5,000 is expected to be on hand to hear the Cabinet member.

After being married 50 years Mr. and Mrs. Robert Greengrass of Black River Falls, Wis., applied for a "white man's marriage license."

When struck by a car and taken to a hospital, Frank Hollis, 88, of Rochester, N. Y., told officials that it was the first time he had been treated by a doctor in 57 years.

Also included on the program will be Governor Terry Sanford who will deliver the address of welcome.

The Greengrasses have lived at an Indian mission since they were married in an Indian ritual in 1911. Now they have sign legal papers dealing with rights to property in Ne-

The last time was in 1904, when he was treated for malaria in the Philippines.

Commissioner of Agriculture L. Y. Ballentine is scheduled to introduce the Secretary.