

# Warren Grand Jury Studies County School Funds Case

ROANOKE RAPIDS

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### Roanoke Ramblings

By PAT NANTZ

The brightest face to be seen around the Municipal Building these days is that of the brand-new, Mrs. Jim Myer (she was Dot Shearin until Thursday morning when she and the Jay's slugging left fielder said, "I do") She's back on the job as City Clerk and is visibly happy with, and proud of her new title. Can't blame her either . . .

If you've been seeing a sly grin on the faces of the people who have seen Police Chief T. J. Davis, you probably wondered at their amusement . . . But, the Chief is more to be pitied than laughed at . . . He has been wearing dark glasses and a makeshift patch over his left eye . . . No, he didn't walk into a swinging "limb", bump into a door or pick up a "shiner" from a prisoner who didn't wish to be cooperative; nor any of the other many excuses available. Instead, he was hit in the eye by a cold that insists upon giving him a hard time . . .

One of the biggest changes of expression seen on a man's face in some time was the variation in Coach Danny Cagle's look shortly after half time at Friday night's ball game, and the big grin he was wearing a few minutes later when his Jackets were only one point behind Kingston instead of 20 . . . He was not entirely happy because his team did not win, but he was delighted at the good showing they made when the odds seemed all against their looking good at all.

A chicken fry was enjoyed by the Romancos; winnings softball team of our fair city; on Saturday night at the Rosemary Recreation Hall. After the small feast, which was given by an ardent fan, "Greasy" Neal, the ball players and their guests were entertained in the dance hall of the "Rec."

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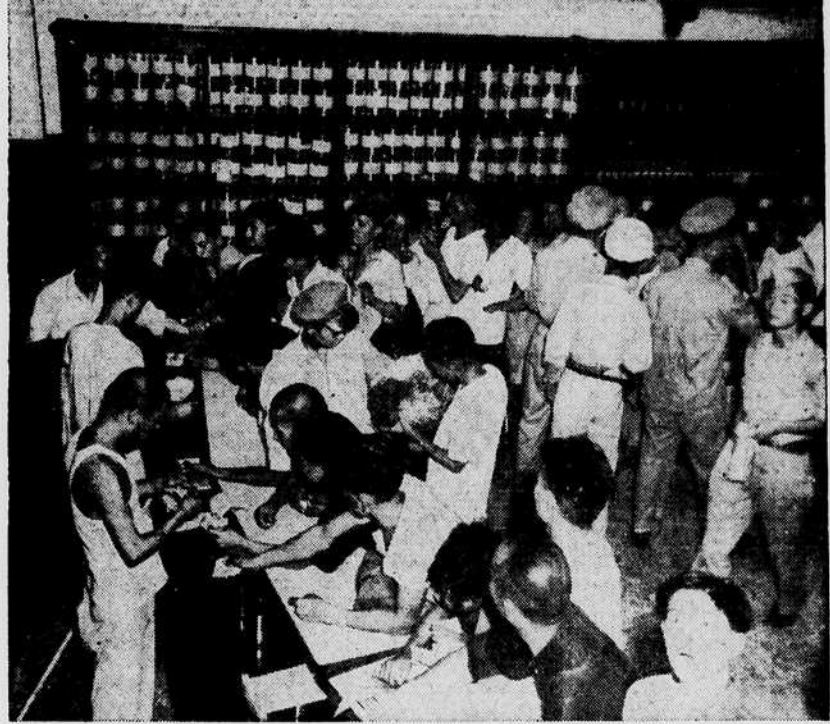
Remember the window display that Mr. Grant had during the month of May? It was the one where he had the two pictured models sitting in moviable swings. Well, he has now finished another, just as unique as that was, in the other window. Stop by and see the improvements and you'll agree that Mr. Grant is just full of ideas.

A fitting epitaph for a wanderer is that which appears on the tomb of a person in a small burial ground near Murfreesboro. It reads: "Wander no more shall he; for now he has found his home."

Little Moran: Oh, Boss, is it o. k. if we start building this house at the top and come down?  
Boss: No, you dope, even you should know that that is impossible.

Little Moran: O. K., boys, start tearing it down!!!!  
Due to the fact that it is utterly impossible that the "Rambler" can find everyone who has a story to tell, or an interesting experience to recall, we appeal to you to send in your stories. Let someone else enjoy an experience that may arouse a laugh; or benefit by a lesson, which you learned the hard way. Just drop it into the mail to the Roanoke Rambler and you'll be the holder of our deepest appreciation.

**Increase Demand Brings Rise In Tobacco Prices**  
Raleigh, Sept. 21—(AP)—Increased demand brought steady to stronger prices on the flue-cured tobacco markets.  
Gains came on most offerings on the Old Belt ranging \$1 to \$4 per hundred pounds.  
On the Middle Belt the percentages of smoking leaf and cutters were higher while primings declined because of a weaker demand.  
The majority of grades on the eastern North Carolina belt were higher in price and demand was reported exceptionally good. The increases ranged from \$1 to \$8.



**SUPPLYING CHINESE BLACK MARKET**—These Chinese, majority of whom are black marketers, put a run on U.S. surplus goods in Shanghai. They bought up all the canned goods, cosmetics, cloth and dressing material allocated for the first day's sale in one hour. The war surplus goods, valued at \$30,000,000 in U.S. currency, was bought and shipped to China soon after surrender of Japan, but was put on sale here for the first time.

### Florida Keys Are Lashed By 110 Mile An Hour Hurricane; Key West Hit Hard

#### U. N. Official Calls For End Of Force, War

Paris, Sept. 21—(AP)—The United Nations Assembly met today in an atmosphere of world tension and heard its temporary president call for the banishment of force from the earth.  
The assembly's first meeting on the continent of Europe was opened by temporary President Juan A. Bramuglia of Argentina.

Bramuglia proposed a new international policy of "cooperation and not domination," economic equality and settlement of disputes by right over might. In a thinly veiled reference to Spain's exclusion from the U. N., Bramuglia said "we do not want any nation of the world to be excluded from the United Nations."  
"There can be no chosen and no outcasts in this world," he added.  
The delegates of 53 nations convened in an atmosphere of world tension, heightened by the East-West cold war over Germany and the imminent threat of renewed warfare in Palestine.

Bramuglia was a candidate for the presidency of this session. Argentina engaged in a stiff behind-the-scenes battle with Australia, which supported Australian Deputy Prime Minister Herbert V. Ewart.  
The great hall in the Chailot Museum's cellar was filled to overflowing with people from many lands. Exotic costumes mingled with formal western dress.  
The Soviet blockade of the German capital and the issues involved with it were the chief topics of conversation among the delegates although Berlin is not on the assembly's agenda as yet.  
On the eve of the first meeting in the Palais de Chaillot this afternoon, the foreign ministers of the United States, Britain and France called a halt yesterday to their two-month-old attempt to negotiate a direct settlement of the Berlin issues with Russia.

**Lad Gets Left Hand Hurt In Hay Bailer**  
Willie West, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bernice West of Littleton, was treated at the Roanoke Rapids Hospital suffering from injuries to one of his hands.  
Attaches at the hospital said that Willie caught his hand in a hay bailer this morning and received cuts about his left ring finger.

#### Storm Reported Moving North Towards Miami

Miami, Fla., Sept. 21—(AP)—Winds of 110 miles an hour lashed Key West today as a big and growing tropical hurricane brushed nearer over the island city 175 miles south of Miami.  
All weather stations along the long narrow stretch of Florida Keys—famous fishing grounds for thousands—reported hurricane force winds of 75 miles an hour or better.  
Torrential rains accompanied the winds.  
The hurricane was a short distance south of Key West at 10:30 a. m. (EST) and moving northeastward at about 10 miles an hour.  
Key West reported 110 mile an hour winds at 10:20 a. m. Red Cross official at the island city where President Truman has his "Little White House" said no casualties had been reported. Shelters were crowded.  
In Miami, sustained winds reached 60 miles an hour and visibility was almost wiped out by the blowing rain.  
The storm has enlarged and hurricane winds and strong gales now cover an area about 300 miles in diameter, the Weather Bureau reported.  
The slow movement of the storm will keep the center over south Florida for a longer period and delay the arrival of hurricane winds somewhat, forecasters said.  
The storm grew rapidly in size after crossing Cuba, said Chief Forecaster Grady Morton.  
The storm came to a halt 55 miles south of Key West during the night, but the weather bureau reported in at 6:30 a. m. that it had begun moving forward again.  
Many stores were closed for the day in Miami. People forced to come out fought against stiff winds.  
The barometer reading at Key West was 29.33 and at Miami, 29.56.  
The weather bureau said the hurricane reformed northeast of Havana during the night. The eye of the storm became distorted while passing over the hills of Cuba, and "apparently the hurricane paused in the Florida straits for regeneration before continuing its march on Florida," the weather bureau stated.  
"The eye of the storm was horseshoe shaped for awhile after midnight," forecasters said, but regained its circular shape during the early morning hours.  
Firemen battled a stubborn blaze in the Bali night club on Biscayne Boulevard.

#### Negro Absolved Of Blame In Fatal Mishap

Conway, September 21—A Northampton County coroner's inquest here last night absolved Willie Odell Garris, Negro truck driver from Ayden, of any criminal negligence in the death of Sheila Nicholson, three, of Roanoke Rapids near here last Thursday.  
Garris was freed after evidence of Gaston to the effect that the child's being crushed by a truck operated by Garris was an unavoidable accident.  
The Negro, who is employed by T. J. Cannon, Ayden corn buyer, came to the home of Lloyd Askew, uncle of the child, near here last Thursday to pick up a load of corn. The child was playing in the rear of the house near the barn when the truck load of corn started to leave the yard. Just as it pulled away from the barn the little girl stepped behind it and the truck motor stalled, so that the truck rolled backward, crushing the child between the tail board of the truck and the barn door.  
The accident happened about 11:15 Thursday morning, and an ambulance was immediately summoned to take the child to the Roanoke Rapids Hospital, where she died before the ambulance reached the city.  
She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Nicholson of Roanoke Rapids and was visiting relatives of her mother when the accident occurred.  
Garris was held for investigation and released under a \$500 bond Friday, which was posted by his employer, pending last night's inquest.

#### Signs Of Oil Are Found In Test Well Being Drilled In Hertford

Ahoscie, Sept. 21 (AP)—Signs that oil lies beneath Hertford county in the vicinity of the test well being drilled near Cofield were reported this week by Harry Austin, supervisor of Pan-Beau Drilling Company of Graham, and Marlon Baker, Jr., the company's geologist.  
Baker said whale vertebrae and sharks' teeth have been taken from an outcropping near the test well. These finds have been forwarded to the University of South Carolina for study by the University's geological planning commission where Dr. J. W. Brewy is trying to correlate the geology of South Carolina with that of North Carolina.  
Baker says the test well, a depth drillers will not reveal, has "a definite oil showing and

### Truman To Speak In Raleigh

Aboard Truman Campaign Train, Sept. 21—(AP)—President Truman today had scheduled two appearances in Raleigh N. C., on Oct. 19.  
Mr. Truman will discuss "The Farm Problem" at the North Carolina State Fair. His other appearance that day will be at the dedication of a monument to three North Carolina-born presidents, Polk, Jackson and Johnson.  
Presidential Secretary Charles G. Ross announced the fair invitation last night. He previously had indicated his willingness to speak at the monument dedication.  
The invitation to speak at the fair came in a series of telegrams from high party leaders in the Tar Heel state, several of whom promised him an audience of 50,000.  
Invitations were received from State Agricultural Commissioner D. S. Co. Lane; Senator Clyde R. Hoey; J. Melville Broughton, former governor now running for the Senate; R. Flake Shaw, executive vice president of the North Carolina Farm Bureau; Harry B. Caldwell, Master of the North Carolina State Grange; and Dr. Clarence Poe, editor of the Progressive Farmer.  
Although it hasn't been announced officially, the president plans to address the American Legion Convention in Miami, Fla., Oct. 18. He is expected to keep both the Miami and Raleigh engagements by plane.

### Dewey Unfolds His "New Era" GOP Program

By The Associated Press  
Gov. Thomas E. Dewey's "campaign to unite America," rolled today into the West—the region President Truman said faces GOP "sabotage."  
Having unfolded the broad outlines of his "new era" Republican program in Des Moines last night, the GOP nominee headed for Denver. There he was expected to give some of his promised "honest answers" to such questions as high prices, housing, farm aids and other national problems.  
Dewey stressed his "faith in America" in his opening campaign address—faith that "our enterprise system" will achieve "free and fuller production for the benefit of all our citizens" in a "world, in which tyranny is on the march."  
The New York governor said he does not "contend that all our difficulties today have been brought about by the present national administration." But, he added "that any fair-minded person would agree that the difficulties "are merely the result of the administration's lack of judgment, or of faith in our people."  
Mr. Truman, however, told his Denver audience that Republican leaders "working against the interests of the people" have been "eager agents of big business."  
He urged the people of the Western states to join him in fighting what he termed "Republican undercover sabotage of the West" and "slick political propaganda of the special interests" backed by "millions of dollars that Wall Street is pouring into the treasury of the Republican party."

### Britain Orders Refitting Of 100 Warships

London, Sept. 21—(AP)—Britain considers the international situation so grave that it suspended commercial work in the royal dockyards today in order to refit about 100 warships for service.  
An officials navy announcement said the ships are to be made ready for duty before April. An admiralty spokesman said, however, the work can be done very quickly—perhaps within two months.  
The naval preparedness move came soon after the government slowed down demobilization of the armed forces, stepped up recruiting on new troops, began doubling the production of jet fighter planes and started readying civilian defenses.  
The Admiralty did not say exactly when the ships are to be refitted.

### Bandits Holdup Columbia Bank; Take \$50,000

Elizabeth City, Sept. 21—(AP)—Bandits shortly after 11 o'clock this morning held up the bank at Columbia and escaped with approximately \$50,000, Highway Patrol officials here announced. The patrol officials said all patrolmen in eastern Carolina had been alerted and that a helicopter from the local Coast Guard station had been called to join in the search.

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### Tyler Hasn't Said True Bills Being Sought

Warrenton, Sept. 22—"Some 40 bills of indictment" were handed to the Warren County Grand Jury here today to be studied in connection with the alleged misuse of state funds in the Warren County Schools, it was learned from a reliable source here today.  
Solicitor Ernest R. Tyler refused to confirm that the Grand Jury had been presented with bills of indictment. Tyler had said several days ago that he anticipated bringing charges against J. Edward Allen, Warren county school superintendent. Court attaches said that one witness, a state school official, had been called before the Grand Jury this morning and that there were several State Bureau of Investigation men and other state school officials present in the courtroom.  
Court adjourned at 2:50 p. m., to reconvene this afternoon at 2:30.  
There were indications that the Grand Jury might complete its work on the school case today, court attaches said.  
Allen, 61, a Baptist lay leader and a past Grand Master of the North Carolina Masonic Lodge, is a patient at Duke Hospital. A telephone call to his home several days ago indicated that he had left for Durham for treatment in the Duke Hospital. He has been ill at his home here for the past month.  
State Bureau of Investigation agents Jimmy Powell and Jim Durham, who have been conducting an investigation of the case, were in court here yesterday at the opening of the term and were requested by Solicitor Tyler to remain until today. Chief Auditor C. D. Reid and Controller Paul Reid of the State Board of Education have been in charge of making an audit of State funds handled by Allen.  
Judge Parker said yesterday that he is satisfied that the Warren County Grand Jury is "a legally constituted grand jury."  
Under Warren County statutes, nine grand jurors are supposed to be chosen in January and another nine chosen in May each group to serve for a year.  
Last January due to two vacancies on the jury 11 men were placed on the grand jury. No new jurors were chosen in May because repairs to the Warren County courthouse prevented the holding of the scheduled court session.  
To get the grand jury straight for this term Judge Parker Monday dismissed the last two of the eleven men selected last January, dismissed the jurors picked in May, 1947, and ordered nine new grand jurors seated.  
The grand jury is now composed of the following 16 men and two women: J. T. White, foreman, J. D. Hardy, L. A. Fowler, M. K. Aycock, J. H. Bobbitt, C. A. Jundy, R. R. Skilman, H. H. Steed, H. R. Kippenstall, J. S. Whitley, Mrs. J. T. Powell, Otis H. Powell, F. L. Harris, Morris Pennell, D. N. Weaver and W. L. Knight.

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