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SUPT. JONES STEPS DOWN

RESIGNS AS COUNTY SUPT. APPOINTED CHM. BOARD

To Act With Powers of Superintendent; Skinner, Kimball and Davis Retire in Favor of Hardy, Reams and Chm. Jones.

The following resignations in their order explain themselves:

"I hereby tender my resignation to take effect this day as a member of the County Board of Education. I thank you for your uniform courtesy and kindness to me while associated with you as members of this Board. (Signed) JOHN L. SKINNER."

Upon motion of Mr. Weldon T. Davis Mr. Howard F. Jones, having previously resigned as Superintendent, was elected to fill the unexpired term of Mr. Skinner, as member of the Board and as chairman. Mr. Jones qualified and took his seat as member of the Board.

The Board finding itself with a vacancy in the office of Superintendent of Schools upon motion of Mr. Weldon T. Davis, Mr. Howard F. Jones was directed to act as Superintendent of Schools until a Superintendent could be elected. Mr. Davis and Mr. Kimball voting "aye," Mr. Jones not voting. Mr. Jones stated that he would not accept any per diem as member of the Board while serving as Superintendent.

"I hereby tender my resignation to take effect today as member of this Board. I do this with highest esteem for the members of the Board and for the Superintendent of Schools and only for pressing business reasons. (Signed) J. A. KIMBALL."

Upon motion of Mr. Davis Mr. Hugh P. Reams was elected to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mr. Kimball—Mr. Jones and Mr. Davis voting "aye." Mr. Reams qualified and took his seat as member of the Board.

"I hereby resign as member of the Board of Education to take effect this day. My association with Superintendent Jones and as member of the Board has been entirely satisfactory. (Signed) W. T. DAVIS."

Mr. Jesse Gardner, a citizen of Six P. and township and selected by the citizens of the county at the Primary of 1918 for membership on the Board to take office on the first Monday of April, 1919, but not so appointed by the Legislature, was tendered the place made vacant by the resignation of Mr. Davis. Mr. Gardner was present when the tender was made and declined the honor "under the circumstances." Thereupon the Board nominated and elected Mr. C. N. Hardy, of Judkins township, a gentleman held in high esteem by the citizens of the county generally.

If the law passed by the Legislature of 1919 means what it says Mr. Hardy will hold office to July, 1921—"in all counties where by provisions of existing law the term, for which the member or members of the Board (not boards) of Education of said counties have been elected or appointed, expires before the first Monday of July, 1921, the member or members so elected or appointed shall hold over (not may, but shall) until the first Monday of July, 1921." And Section 4, of the Act says that "all laws in conflict with this Act, be and the same are hereby repealed."

This section three is in entire harmony with section one of the act which gives the Legislature power to fill "all vacancies now existing," or that "may arise by the expiration of the terms of members of the County Board of Education the several counties of the State before the convening of the next General Assembly, and name the additional members required by the provisions of this Act, to serve for such period of time as it may designate."

They "name(d) the additional members for Warren, directed that the present membership hold over in section three, repealed all law in conflict with that direction; failed to fill a known vacancy on the first Monday in April; directed the Board to fill it within thirty days, fixed their appointees so neither could fill it, by saying they should not qualify before the first Monday in July, and then did not in-

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An Interview With Gilliland

Noted Chautauqua Humorists Talks Before Leaving On Big Lecture Tour of South

Strickland Gillilan, the well-known humorist and writer, who will appear in our town on the Community Chautauqua program this season, gave out a special interview just before starting on his tour over the Chautauqua circuit in which he answered in his quaint and whimsical manner some of the many questions put to him. Among other things, he said:

"If it were not for other folks in this world I think I should get mighty tired of it! While I am right good company myself, I fear that if I were not diluted with a great many other people I should become a stronger dose than I could stand.

"The most beautiful thing in the world, except a baby's wrist, is an audience that is listening. The ugliest thing in the world is a naturally homely woman chewing gum. I love audiences, but whenever I look at a woman chewing gum I wish I were blind or she had the lock jaw. Nobody was ever a good listener who masticated spearmint at the time. I never got a laugh out of a gum chewer or chewess.

"I used to think that an audience's intelligence was good only if it liked me. Now I believe that my intelligence is good only if I like my audience.

"No, I did not go to war. I was too old, and if anybody should ask you about it, you may tell them the truth—that it was the only time in my life since I was thirty, that I didn't wish I was younger. When I offered myself they regretted that they couldn't take me. They looked at my parenthesis—like lower extremities and said nobody but a sharpshooter could hit me in the legs. I should have gone if I had been young enough, but to be perfectly honest about it I'm glad I didn't have to go. I would much rather hear people say 'There he goes' than 'Here he lies.'

I expect to be heard with rapt attention in your community. If anyone's attention should come unwrapped while I am talking, I will stop while he re-wraps it.

"I am a very modest person, and brag about it a great deal.

"There is one class of persons who never goes to a Chautauqua. He is of the sort that resembles the man I used to know who died of thirst within a week after a water-meter was installed in his residence.

"I grew up on a farm, and nobody who sees me is surprised when I tell them so. I have an extemporaneous walk that I acquired while straddling corn-rows and yanking plow handles around. While I have improved quite a good deal since I left the farm, the farm has itself benefited even more by the separation. My going away was just the making of that farm.

"No, I did not write 'Beautiful Snow,' 'Mary's Little Lamb,' 'Piggrim's Progress,' 'Swiss Family Robinson,' 'Robinson Crusoe,' 'Old Sleuth,' 'After the Ball,' 'Hamlet' or any of Harold Bell Wright's or Irving Bacheller's books. Persons who believe I did so are laboring under a gross mistake. All the above things were written by others, who very thoughtfully lifted the task from my shoulders. No doubt if those had been still unwritten when I began writing, I should have done them just to have them off my hands. But as they were already written and out of the way when I started in, I had a great deal of time on my hands to write my own stuff, which has kept me very, very busy. One of the deepest regrets is that 'Huckleberry Finn' was written before I got a chance to write it, but I'll admit that Mark did it fairly well, at that."

When asked about himself, Strickland Gilliland tried hard to blush and said:

"I am no Lillian Russell, and nobody ever mistook me for her or Mary Garden or either of the Talmadge girls. I am not a Douglas Fairbanks, for I never could learn to run up the walls holding onto the flowers in the wall paper. I am not any of those nice folks, I am only me, and while I regret it in many ways, I am not sorry exactly. While those others may be more beautiful and more agile than I, the fact remains that there was nobody but me to be except me, and I would have an awfully hard time



THE DEL MAR LADIES' QUARTET OPENS THE COMMUNITY CHAUTAUQUA.

Dainty and entertaining is the Del Mar Ladies' Quartet which appears on the first day of this year's Community Chautauqua program with a splendid program given with setting and costumes that are strikingly beautiful in their richness and color. The program includes all the popular melodies that ever one likes to hear, with just enough of the modern music to give a contrasting lighter touch.

learning to be somebody I'm not. I think you can see the difficulty.

"Neither am I a Charley Chaplin, although my feet do not track, and I have a fearful time keeping my bloomers from bagging at the knees.

"Yet in spite of the fact that I had no chance except to be nobody but me, folks have been terrifically nice to me far often than I have been terrifically nice to them. Some ten or twelve magazines let me write for them, and actually pay me for it. Several hundred thousand people have flocked to listen patiently to me for the last fifteen years, and many more thousands pay out perfectly good hard-earned money for the several books I have written. How lenient people are!

"I hope to see huge clusters of your people and have speech with them face to face and prove to them—at least to all whose eyesight is good—that the first part of this statement is true, at any rate."

News From County Agents

Miss Annie Lee Rankins, county Home Demonstration Agent, left yesterday to meet with Mrs. Jane S. McKimmon and her corps of workers who will hold a school and conference for county home demonstration agents and their assistants at the State College of Agriculture at West Raleigh, which will last until June 13. During this time approximately 100 women will be present, and will study important matters in connection with the Home Demonstration work in North Carolina.

A number of fine courses have been arranged, with each agent selecting those which will suit best for the work in her county. Several specialists of note from the Federal Department of Agriculture and from other colleges and stations will take part in the lectures. Household engineering, home beautification, interior decoration, instruction in clothing, nutrition, millinery, laundering and public health service will be among the many things studied.

A part of each day will be devoted to a round-table discussion or conference between the agents where problems and plans will be discussed from the standpoint of the individual experience of the women. A series of lectures also will be given each evening along important lines of work.

In order that every woman shall have the best possible chance to bring her demonstrations up to the highest standard, those agents which are now proficient in the art of demonstration will be asked to give model demonstrations along all lines of work with which the women are concerned.

According to Mrs. McKimmon, this conference will be one of the most im-

portant and far reaching that the women of her division have ever engaged in, and she believes that it will result in a strengthening of Extension work in all counties where they are employed.

MOVE TO ORGANIZE CREDIT UNIONS IN WARREN COUNTY

Realizing that many of the things needed for satisfactory life in the country depend on having the money to pay for them, the Agricultural and Home Agents of Warren County, have been casting about for some means for helping with these problems. Production is not the only question with which country people are confronted, but that the question of marketing, of buying and of selling, is of equal importance.

With these things in mind it is concluded that a Credit Union would be of service to some communities in Warren County.

The law providing for Credit Unions in North Carolina was passed by the legislature in 1915. There are now twenty Credit Unions in the State, with a number more in process of organization. The aggregate business of these Unions for April was over \$44,000., more than double what it was the corresponding month last year.

Benefits of Credit Unions.

The experience of the communities where Credit Unions have become established shows that a Credit Union does these things for its community:

1. It encourages saving, especially on the part of the young people.
2. It furnishes an easy means of getting credit for productive purposes, at a reasonable rate of interest.
3. It helps the people to buy to better advantage.
4. It helps to sell to better advantage.
5. It has proved a good business investment—through dividends on the stock.

The Carmel Credit Union, near Charlotte, has saved its members on an average nearly forty dollars a year. Lowe's Grove Credit Union, near Durham, has done almost as well.

Organization of a Credit Union.

A Credit Union is really a community bank, the shares being of such small denomination that every one can become a member. The Credit Union is conducted on similar lines as a city bank, having its board of directors and other officials similar to the officials of a city bank. The Credit Union has no highly paid officials or expensive place of business. Hence its expenses are very small.

One of the chief objects of the Credit Union is to assist a community to get on a cash basis. They have been very helpful in this regard in the communities where they have become established.

On first thought, it might seem that a Credit Union would be against the

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A Bomb In Political Ranks

Jones Resignation Causes Surprise and Politicians Out For His Scalp Are Guessing

To the Board of Education, Warren County, N. C.

Gentlemen:

I hereby tender my resignation as Superintendent of Public Instruction for Warren county. I do this through no distrust of your loyalty, friendship or support. I appreciate your assurances of continued support and the endorsement of the citizens of this county, and the approval of the State Board of Education. I think it will be generally admitted that Warren county has kept pace in educational matters with the other counties of the State and that the school funds have been economically expended. I appreciate the co-operation of teachers and committeemen and at the proper time will appeal from Caesar to the Citizen. Respectfully,
HOWARD F. JONES.

This announcement threw a bombshell in the ranks of the so-called politicians here yesterday. They couldn't understand it. What did Jones resign for? The people hadn't ordered him out, but we thought we had fixed it so we could, and now here he has resigned, and has accepted the Chairmanship of the Board. We knew we didn't do what the people directed us to do. We knew that the Executive committee had asked that none of the County officials be disturbed by the Legislature, and we didn't try to disturb anybody else in the Court House—but Jones, we'll fix him. We didn't do what the people nor the Executive committee asked to be done, but we will do as we please and we will have a new board to qualify in July, even if we did "kinder slip-up"

And a Solar plexus was delivered and the "never-no-mores" went home with the mental query, "Mr. Speaker, where am I at?"

Second Class Office After July 1st

Beginning July 1st the Warrenton Postoffice will be a second class post-office according to information in the hands of Mrs. Nannie McI. Moore, Postmistress.

This carries with it the obligation to keep the window open until six p. m., except during the hours in which mail is being placed in the boxes.

The office receipts have been near the point of making it a second class office for some time but the receipts of the last year, increased because of the one cent additional postage and the normal expansion of business, brought the change.

The lobby of the postoffice will be kept open until nine o'clock instead of eight though no mail will be dispatched later than eight, announces Mrs. Moore, as a convenience to the general public. This rule, adopted by the local authorities, went into force last night.

MICKIE SAYS

JERRY, SOMETIMES I WISH YOU WUZ A DOG SO'S I COULD SICK YOU ONTO THE FELLERS WHO COME IN, WHEN WE'RE JUST ABOUT READY TO GO TO PRESS, WITH A WHOLE WAD O' COPY THAT MAKES US LATE WITH THE PAPER AND RUNS US ALL RAGGED BESIDES



MR. GRAHAM ON ELECTION

ELECTION ON 10TH NOT TO ISSUE BONDS FOR SCHOOL

Only To Establish District and Vest Control of Education In Hands of Trustees and Present Special Committee.

To the voters of Warrenton Special School District

My friends:—
For fifty-four years I have done my best to advance the Educational interest of Warren County. Now in my old age, with the assistance of many of your best citizens, I secured from the legislature the passage of an act submitting to you the question of maintaining in Warrenton a High School that will equal in efficiency the private schools at the Academy conducted under various principals for the past one hundred and thirty-four years.

The management of this school, if established, is vested in the Trustees of the Academy, twelve in number, and the school committee of the District, three in number. The school may be consolidated at the academy, or the lower grades may be kept at the present Public School building—it will be one school. Instruction in the lower grades fitting for the higher. The school will receive all revenues now received from the State and county and any addition thereto on the part of either. If necessary in the opinion of the majority of the Board of trustees, an additional tax of fifteen cents on the hundred dollars may be levied and forty-five cents on the poll. No issue of bonds is involved in the election of June 10th. The establishment of the High School, with the present Public school as a constituent part of said High School is the matter to be decided.

If established this High school will eventually become the Central High of the county. No attempt was made to establish a Township school as it would interfere with the schools at Norlina, Warren Plains and Macon. The establishment of this school will remove it from the arena of politics.

Truly yours,
JOHN GRAHAM.

Musical At Opera House Thursday

Dr. F. H. T. Horsfield, of Oxford, delivered a strong sermon here Sunday morning to the graduating class of the Warrenton High School and a church crowded with relatives and interested friends of this institution.

Dr. Horsfield emphasized the value of keeping the imagination alive and showed clearly that a life could not be measured by its score of years—it was no problem in arithmetic. He illustrated freely from Victor Hugo thru his discourse and painted illustrative word picture to drive home the essentials in a discourse which proved eminently worth while.

School work will end Friday. Commencement exercises will be held Thursday night in the Opera House featured by a musical program by the pupils of Miss Lily Belle Dameron. The closing exercises will occur Friday night with an address by Dr. Brewer president of Meredith college, a debate and a presentation of diplomas.

It is expected that large crowds will attend the closing exercises both nights this week.

Orphanage Singing Class At Vaughan

Will you kindly announce that the Oxford Orphanage Singing Class will give a concert in the Baptist Church, Vaughan, N. C., at 8:30 o'clock p. m. June 6th, 1919.

These concerts have heretofore proved highly enjoyable, and well worth the admission price. The cause is one that lays close to our hearts and we believe it appeals to all good people.

We shall appreciate anything you may do to help to make this entertainment a success and a blessing to your community.

A. L. POPE,
J. V. SHEARIN,
N. M. SHEARIN,
Committee.