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News in a Nutshell

By W. BRODIE JONES

NEW YORK, April 8.—"America may change its Presidents but never its principles" said the Times Monday. The editorial vigorously commended the Administration for its firm note to Germany demanding payment of the reparations demands. America will not desert the allies nor renounce the common ideals which brought the armistice.

The 24,400 foot jump in establishing a world's record for parachuting during the latter part of March was made from a plane piloted by Lieut. Weddington, the same flyer who thrilled Warren people on the Welcome Home Day, October 1, 1919. The record was made at the Rantoul, Illinois, flying field.

More diamonds are being bought by the public than at any other time in the history of the country reports Massachusetts and Rhode Island jewelers. The sale of silverware is only a third of what it was fifteen years ago.

New York proposes a \$50,000 reward for any information in regard to the Wall Street explosion of last September. A special commission of investigation is recommended and added efforts urged to solve the mystery.

The Dutch Government has granted the request of the former German Crown Prince that he be exempt from taxation.

Five hundred car loads of anti-tobacco literature have been shipped to different parts of the country for the campaign against the use of the weed. The organization behind the move urges that each State pass laws making it illegal to raise, import, or use tobacco in any form.

Japan has invited Major General Leonard Wood to come there after his tour of inspection of the Philippines for the Harding Administration. General Wood has been authorized to accept the invitation.

A bullet was removed from the brain of a convict at Sing Sing last week. The operation cured spells of insanity from which the prisoner had suffered.

The American Legion of Illinois has protested against the release of Eugene V. Debs and other prisoners confined for pro-German activity during the war.

Al. G. Fields, pioneer American minstrel, died at his home in Columbus Sunday. He had been continuously on the road with his shows since 1884. He was at one time a banker and business man of Pittsburgh.

The Yanks and Giants are moving homeward from Southern training quarters. Baseball season opens next week.

BEWARE OF FEVER BLISTER

PARIS, April 3.—Beware of that fever blister.

This is the slogan of Paris doctors following the discovery by Professor Roux, of the Pasteur Institute, that the virus contained in a fever blister is blood-brother to the microbe of encephalitis lethargica or sleeping sickness.

Virus taken from a human fever blister was injected in the veins of a rabbit, who promptly died from encephalitis.—Richmond Times-Dispatch

Mr. M. T. Duke Has Old Coffee Mill

Mr. M. T. Duke was in town Monday and related the following: "I have a coffee mill in my family and using it now for grinding spices that was bought in 1862; I was notified by my wife a few days ago that I must get a new sewing machine as the one we have been using since in 1872 had just given out. I have oats that headed out in March of this year—something I never saw as early as this." The moral of the coffee mill and Sewing Machine was that "Taking care of things was what counted"—even to the Pennies. For if you take care of the Pennies the Dollars will take care of themselves.

Hon. J. M. Coleman was in town Monday.

VIRTUE OF NECESSITY

Texas Newspaper Cites Warrenton As Town That Owns Itself and Asks What Keeps Town From Growing

The following article from the San Antonio (Texas) Express was sent us by Judge Dan T. Price, a former resident of this county who has won honors in another State:

There is a town in North Carolina—Warrenton by name—which owns and operates practically all its public utilities—waterworks, electric light plant, a steam railroad and an "opera house," as well. Now it is building a hotel to cost \$140,000, also to be owned and operated by the municipality. This latest enterprise, like he others, is to be paid for by a bond issue. The municipally-owned railroad, which is only four miles long, runs from Warrenton to a connection with a trunk line road and is the only railway into the city. The presumption is the trunk road which left Warrenton off its line also refused to connect with it by running out a spur or branch. As no one else seemed disposed to do so, the municipality took the bull by the horns and built and equipped the short line with "its own" money. That proved sufficient to keep the town on the map—to prevent its "removal" to the railway station at the nearest point.

It appears, too, that private enterprise was laggard in the matter of supplying other needs, including an "opera house," and the town went down into its own pockets for the means to provide them. One might suppose from all this that Warrenton is a city of considerable population and wealth, with a remarkably enterprising and public-spirited citizenship. Yet, although it is one of the oldest towns in the State, and has the distinction of being the marriage place of Horace Greeley, it has a population of less than 1,000. Here is a subject for contemplation. Such a bustling, enterprising community should have burst its narrow bounds—by all the "laws" of cause and effect—even though the surroundings were not so productive of trade and commerce as to stimulate great expansion.

Municipal ownership has been a result of just such circumstances, rather than of design. A member of the Warrenton board of aldermen said in a recent interview: "We have made a profit on all our municipally-owned enterprises, except our opera house, and we have not lost much on that." But where is the growth of population? One of the oldest towns in the State; apparently one of the most "enterprising"—and the county seat—and yet no larger, perhaps, than it was when Horace Greeley was married there in 1836! What has been the condition which has kept Warrenton practically at a stand-still while less self-assertive and self-promoting communities have gone far ahead of it in population and in wealth-producing activities?

The matter of "public" ownership and operation of public utilities is much debated, and concerning it there is much diversity of opinion among "municipal experts." Some communities have tried and abandoned ventures in that line as unsatisfactory, financially and in service. Some have been forced by necessity to do as Warrenton has done, or go without the conveniences. Nearly every city of consequence in the Union has a municipal building, either built or projected, which on occasion might serve the purpose of an "opera house"—the name given to the structure varying in different places. These are quite as essential to the well-rounded city as the public parks and playgrounds; but the idea of a municipally-owned hotel is something out of the usual.

But why hasn't Warrenton' economic and popular growth kept pace with her civic enterprise? If municipal ownership has proved so "profitable" there, why such a poverty of the results that might make its virtue plain to everyone?

Miss Mary Chauncey spent the week end with Mrs. Elliott in Elizabeth City.

Mr. J. W. Clements, of Shocco, was in town Tuesday.

Mrs. Charles Jones Dies in Richmond

Mrs. Charles J. Jones, nee Miss Mary Alice Tannahill, passed from earth to the Spirit World on Sunday morning, April 3rd, 1921, in the city of Richmond at the ripe age of 87 years, having reached this advanced age the day before her death.

Mrs. Jones, a sister of Miss Liza Tannahill of this town, was a lady of refinement and of culture. In early life she married Mr. Charles J. Jones, a son of William Green Jones, and was the mother of the following children: Edward, Mary, Lila Alice, and Susie, who died young. Of these children Miss Lila, who married Hon. Tasker Polk, is the only survivor.

Mrs. Jones spent her widowhood in Warrenton and raised her family amidst ideal home surroundings. Through her husband she was related to the Old Families of the County.

The infirmities of old age caused her to be under the care of Physicians in Richmond for the past several months where she was surrounded with every care and given every attention.

The body was brought to Warrenton Monday. The funeral services were held from the home of her daughter, Mrs. Tasker Polk, and the interment was made in Fairview Cemetery Monday afternoon.

Mrs. Jones was a member of the Presbyterian church and the services were conducted by Reverend Mr. Millard of that church, assisted by Reverend E. W. Baxter, Rector of the Episcopal church of this town.

The numerous and beautiful floral tributes attested the love and esteem in which Mrs. Jones was held by those who knew her.

LITTLETON, ROUTE 5 ITEMS

We are delighted to have such nice warm weather again. Hope the cold spell didn't kill the fruit.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Shearin and children visited Mrs. Kate Madden Sunday morning.

Mr. Earl Shearin called on Mr. Jack Shearin Sunday.

Misses Lady Mae Shearin and Ethlyn Hardie called on the Misses Pittards last week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Shearin and son and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Milton Harper, of Nashville, N. C., visited relatives and friends on Route 5 Saturday.

Mrs. J. S. Shearin and Mrs. Wallie Hardie were in Littleton shopping Saturday.

Messrs. Ray and Earle Shearin and Norman and Bernard Pittard attended the base ball game at Vaughan Saturday afternoon and report a jolly time.

Mr. J. S. Shearin made a business trip to Warrenton Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Perkinson and Mrs. Claude Perkinson visited in Vaughan Sunday.

Misses Lady Mae Shearin and Ethlyn Hardie and Mr. Harold Skillman visited in Warrenton Sunday afternoon and report a fine time.

Sunday School was reorganized at Johnston School house and will begin Sunday at 3:30.

Misses Lady Mae Shearin and Mammie Pittard and Martha Newman spent last Thursday afternoon in Vaughans.

Mr. Bryant Reid called on Miss Lady Mae Shearin Sunday night.

Mr. Manning, of Vaughan, visited in this neighborhood Sunday. We wonder whom he called on?

We hope these items will escape the waste baskets, and if so, we will come again.

"CRACKER-JACK."

THINKING ESSENTIAL TO SUCCESS—

If you think you are beaten, you are, If you think you dare not, you don't.

If you'd like to win, but you think you can't

It's almost a cinch you won't.

If you think you'll lose, you've lost, For out of the world we find

Success begins with a fellow's will, It's all in the state of ind.

If you think you're outclassed, you are;

We've got to think high to rise, You've got to be sure of yourself before

You can ever win a prize. Life's battle don't always go

To the stronger or faster man; But soon or late the man who wins

Is the man who thinks he can. —Selected.

JONES-GARDNER

Mrs. Laura Williams Jones, of New Boston, Texas, announces the marriage of her daughter Valeria Virginia to Mr. James Herbert Gardner, Tuesday March 29, 1921, Texarkana, Texas.

This will be of interest to many as the young couple have a host of friends and relatives throughout the county and State. The bride, while reared in Texas, is practically a Tar Heel, having visited here and being a grand-daughter of Dr. R. E. Williams of Fork community and a great grand daughter of Mr. "Billy" Kearney of near Shocco Springs whose home was noted for his eleven pretty daughters and his unbounded hospitality. Her father, James Wesley Jones, was reared in Franklin county and was a nephew of Dr. Turner Jones who was at one time president of Warrenton Female College.

The groom is the youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Winfield S. Gardner, of the Churchill community near Macon and is a young man of sterling worth.

After April 6 they are with their parents Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Gardner where they are at home to their many friends.

SAYS "EAT ONIONS" IS SOUND MEDICAL ADVICE

WASHINGTON, April 3.—"Eat onions" is a sound medical advice. This strong assertion is made in a statement issued by the Department of Agriculture.

The department insists that it is "sound advice—follow it and you can be found in the dark."

Onions are cheap, says the department, costing only 2 cents a pound including the aroma. In other words, the aroma is nothing extra. And in the producing districts they cost only one-fourth of that amount, but don't breathe it to a soul.

Onion holdings on March 25, it is stated, totaled 2,500 cars. The total number of individual onions is not estimated. A vast number, but not enough to take your breath away.

Government departments are showing commendable co-operation under the new administration. The wag department has advertised 1,500,000 surplus gas masks for sale.

A WARNING ADVERTISEMENT

There could be no better warning of the danger of drinking so-called whiskey than that conveyed in the exhibit of the steel barrel, tin cap and iron worm exhibited on the Court Square this week. A steel barrel was the boiler; a tin cooler was the cap and an iron pipe was the worm. It follows of course that a chemical mixture in this outfit was brewing poison.

This outfit was captured by Officers Green and Carter.

Don Reavis Breaks Arm

Don Reavis, the four year-old child of Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Reavis had the misfortune to break his arm near the shoulder when he rolled off the steps of his home. A beautiful X Ray has been taken by the Hospital in Henderson, showing the exact condition of the bones, and we trust the young man will soon have the normal use of his arm.

Miss Lola Allen and Miss Mildred Allen left for Raleigh Wednesday to attend the Gluck-Zimilist concert.

TOM THUMB WEDDING TONIGHT

Miss Norma Dulaney, from Kansas City, Mo., arrived in town Wednesday and has perfected all the details of the Tom Thumb wedding which is to be shown in the High School auditorium tonight at 8:30.

This entertained promises to be very entertaining and especially so when one sees the cast of characters, as follows:

Bride and Groom—Willie B. Lancaster, George Burwell.

Maid of Honor and Best Man—Alvis Kidd and Billy Martin.

Old maids, bachelors, cousins and invited guests will be in attendance.

The proceeds are for benefit of the school. The admission is 20c. and 40c. The time is 8:30.

EXPRESSION OF THANKS

For the sympathy and kind deeds shown to our beloved father and us during his recent illness and death, we heartily extend to our good neighbors and friends everywhere our sincere appreciation, and most especially to Messrs. D. L. Robertson and W. T. Powell, whose untiring efforts of service and love will never be forgotten.

Mrs. John Powell and Children

Time to Organize Is Getting Short

The following letter explains itself. Chairmen in different counties will be appointed. Mr. Vanstory has been asked to state the route of highway as regards Warren county: Greensboro, Mch. 24, 1921

Mr. Peck

Warrenton, N. C.

Dear Mr. Peck:—

Time is getting short to organize each county in North Carolina for our big Good Roads Convention to be held in Greensboro, N. C., April 18-23, and we must have your county to show up as the banner county in the state, if not for all the states. We should get at least a thousand members in your county, at \$1.00 per member. The basis of representation is one delegate for each ten-paid members.

At a meeting of the officers of the Bankhead National Highway Association for North Carolina, I was delegated to appoint a Membership Committee in each county in North Carolina through which the Highway traverses, and they are to organize the campaign for membership, by appointing three or more good men in each township in their respective counties. We have appointed the Membership Committee for your county as follows:

Mr. T. D. Peck, Chm.; Mr. Palmer, Hon. Tasker Polk.

You are requested to call a meeting of your committee and proceed to organize at once. As Chairman of the State Membership Committee, I will furnish you all the blanks, membership cards, and any assistance possible. Any information that you desire further address me and I shall take pleasure in furnishing the same. A copy of this letter is mailed to each one of your committee.

Please forward the names and addresses of the members together with their membership fee to me. Make your check payable to the Bankhead National Highway Association, Inc.

Yours very truly,

C. M. VANSTORY,

Director for N. C. Chm. Membership Com., Bankhead National Highway Association.

And That Reminds Us—

Dr. Corwin: "What passage of Scripture forbids a man's having more than one—ah—wife?"

Chorus: "No man can serve two masters." —Clipping

Build yourself a strong box, Fashion each part with care. When it's strong as your heart can make it,

Put all your troubles in there; Hide in it all thoughts and failures, And each bitter cup that you quaff, Lock all your heartaches within it— Then sit on the lid and laugh.

Tell no one else its contents, Never its secrets share; Drop in your cares and all worry, Keep them forever there; Hide them from sight so completely That the world will never dream half; Fasten the strong box securely— Then sit on the lid and laugh. —Anonymous.

JOHN POWELL DIES

The County loses a valued citizen in the passing from earth of Mr. John Powell of Marmaduke. He was generally known as "Marmaduke John," to distinguish him from the other John Powells of the County.

He was at the time of his death a member of the Board of County Commissioners and while in health gave his strict attention to the duties of that position. It was generally conceded that "John Powell" made a good Commissioner, economical with the County's funds, and yet broad enough to spend where spending would benefit the County.

He was a great sufferer just before his death from an incurable malady, and doubtless death came as a relief to him.

He was about sixty years of age. He married Miss Davis, sister of Messrs. John S. and R. B. Davis.

The funeral services were held from the grave at the old Egerton place on last Saturday, and many friends and County officials gathered to pay a last tribute of respect.

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Rodwell after spending the winter at their town residence here have returned to their country home at Oakville.

COUNTY COMMENCEMENT

Warren County School Folk Are Looking Forward to A Great Day Here Next Friday, The 15th Day of April

The County Commencement of the Warren County schools will take place on Friday, April 15th. Pupils, parents and friends are invited to be present. The commencement consists of the following features:

The presentation of diplomas of admission to High School, to those who passed the seventh-grade examinations throughout the county.

The exhibits from the various schools, of work from he year.

The primary grades' entertainment at the Academy Auditorium

Parade of pupils

Recitation-declaration contest

Athletic events, at the Academy grounds.

The parade will begin promptly at ten-thirty o'clock, and will be from places assigned near the courthouse, to the Academy and back. Approximately one hundred and twenty-five boys and girls will be present to receive their seventh-grade certificates.

Almost every school in the county will have a part in the exhibit, which will be under the direction of the committee composed of Miss Lucie Webb, Chairman, Mrs. Beauford D. Scull, Miss Mariam Boyd, Miss Maud Tickle and Miss Jimmie Clark. All exhibits must be in place before 9:30 a. m. on Friday.

The committee on Athletics is composed of Mr. Grover B. Harris, Chairman, Mr. G. O. Mudge and Mr. H. A. Nanney. The athletic events will take place at 2:30 p. m. The program of events has been printed.

Parents are invited to attend either the declamation-recitation contest at the courthouse, at eleven o'clock, or the primary program at the Academy auditorium at the same hour. The committee on primary program is composed of Miss Mary Chauncey, chairman, Mrs. H. V. Scarborough, Miss Eva C. Davis, Miss Pela Kimball and Miss Carrie B. Dunn.

Closely connected with the declamation-recitation contest, and following immediately after it at the courthouse comes the presentation of seventh-grade diplomas.

No one who is in town on the commencement day should fail to see the school exhibits. Both the parents, the pupils and the schools lose when the work the schools are doing is not known.

Other committees are as follows: Program for grammar grade exercises: Mr. H. A. Nanney, Miss Etta Fleming, Miss Claudia Thomas.

Paade: Mr. L. H. Jobe, Mr. H. V. Scarborough, Rev. H. Scholz, Miss Emily Milam

Recitation-Declaration Contest: Mr. G. O. Mudge, Miss Jennie C. Alston, Miss Myrtle Caviness.

J. EDWARD ALLEN, Co. Sup't.

TO ALL EX-SERVICE MEN

The United States Public Health Service is anxious to render dental treatment at Government expense to every ex-service person, and the Department has instructed me to use every legitimate effort in bringing this fact to the attention of all ex-service persons. I have been advised to secure the co-operation of the American Legion and Red Cross in disseminating this information and have been further instructed to secure the co-operation of the County News Papers.

Therefore all ex-service persons who would like to take advantage of dental treatment at Government expense will write to the following address:

Supervisor of 5th District, United States Public Health Service, 82 Edgewood Ave., Atlanta, Ga. Attention Dental Section.

And request a copy of form 526. Or else such persons may apply to me for necessary instructions.

Respectfully,

H. N. WALTERS, D. D. S.

Dental Examiner for United States Public Health Service.

Miss Agnes Henderson has returned home after an absence of several months in school. Mr. Lee Williams, of Inez, was in town Saturday. He says this is his first visit here in three months.