

HUNTER PLEADS FOR FARM AGENT

Arcola Man Tells Kiwanians Of Need For Better System Of Farming

MUST HAVE GUIDANCE

"One of the most acute needs of our county is a better system of farming," J. F. Hunter of Arcola told the Kiwanis club at their regular meeting last Friday evening at the Hotel Warren. Mr. Hunter, who with Clarence Skillman, were guests of the civic body, strongly favored county agent as the way out. He said:

"I am glad of this opportunity of giving you some of my ideas about the county agent interests. One of the most acute needs of our county is a better system of farming. Our present system, or lack of system, does not give us enough income to enable us to live as we should to promote health and contentment. In order to adopt a new system we must have some one who knows how to find out how to get out of the old ruts without leading into the ditch. Take poultry raising; we must combat disease, germs and ignorance of modern methods of handling. In dairying we must know how to grow more and better feeds and make better pastures and how to handle the cattle and dairy products to best advantage.

These problems all call for expert knowledge and very few of us have this knowledge. This is where the county agent comes in. He has been trained to meet these conditions and if he doesn't know the answer to our problems he knows how to find the answer. Our different soils need different fertilizers and different crops. The county agent can ascertain the needs of the soils examined.

Then, production is only half of the battle. Marketing profitably is equally important. The county agent organizes and promotes proper methods of marketing. The co-operative marketing of poultry has reached enormous proportions and is increasing amazingly with much profit to the producers.

Co-operative marketing of hogs in eastern North Carolina is growing by leaps and bounds. The boys' and girls' 4-H club work is fostered by the county agents. Last year there were 23,704 boys and girls enrolled in these various clubs in North Carolina. How many did Warren county have? We have no county agent so we have no boys' and girls' clubs. These clubs are doing a wonderful amount of good in training our boys and girls. Then there is still another side to it. Where there is no county agent the State's expert extension workers do not go. We therefore lose all the help we would get from them.

Here is one case in point. The forestry department is offering to club members free tree seedlings for reforestation. Look at our fire swept and denuded cut over lands which are growing nothing but broom sedge and sassafras sprouts. Think of the magnificent forests which clothed these lands a few years ago. They should be protected from fire and planted either to pines or pasture plants. Mr. R. W. Graeber, extension forester, is doing a splendid work in demonstrating the possibilities of properly handled forests. But he has to pass by Warren county, just as do the soils experts, swine extension workers etc. Give us a county agent and he will open the doors to opportunities without number.

You are advocating the purchase of purebred cattle. Very good. We need them. And I heartily endorse the movement. But I want to sound a warning note right here. You are starting at the wrong point. In order to make better cows pay we must have better pastures and more feed. Grow them first. Quoting Mr. Arey: "A piece of woods with a wire fence around it is not a pasture." Speaking of lespezeza; four men in Warren county last year grew about twenty acres. Fine. But Stanley county where Mr. O. H. Phillips, one of the best county agents in the State, is behind it they have forty square miles of it. This same Stanley county and this same O. H. Phillips are shipping thousands of dollars worth of poultry annually.

We, however, must take a certain risk when we inaugurate the county agent work. We may not get the right man at first. We must not be disappointed if we see little result at first. We must also co-operate with him and give him time to get the work in hand. It will take at least one year for him to thoroughly familiarize himself with conditions and the needs of the people. Make the work permanent and we

Urged To Send In Applications For C. M. T. C. Early

Warren county boys between the ages of 17 and 24, wishing to attend the C. M. T. C. this Summer at Fort Bragg, North Carolina, are urged to make applications at once. Stephen E. Burroughs, county representative, states that the quota is four for Warren county, but if more than this number file application early enough they may also be taken care of.

Applications blanks may be had from Mr. Burroughs, Warrenton, or Captain Dan B. Floyd, F. A. (DOL), 207 Professional Building, Raleigh, North Carolina.

The object of the Citizens' Military Training Camp is to bring together young men of high type from all sections of the country on a common basis of equality and under the most favorable conditions of outdoor life; to stimulate and promote citizenship, patriotism and Americanism; and through expert physical direction, athletic coaching and military training to benefit the young men individually and bring them to realize their obligation to their country.

Attendance at any of the courses does not constitute a present or future contract of enlistment in the Army of the United States. However, a graduate of the Blue course is eligible for appointment as an officer in the Officers' Reserve Corps.

The Government is satisfied to train the applicant for one month as a worth while investment in good citizenship. There will be no expense involved as the Government pays all expenses consisting of railroad transportation to and from camp, uniforms, food, shelter and medical attention.

If the parent is looking for a camp to send their son or if the young man is looking for a place to have a good time this summer, and incidentally learn something that will be beneficial to him and his country, there is no better place than the Citizens' Military Training Camp. Each day's activity is so planned as to present a well balanced program. There will be just enough physical exercises, drills and games to keep the strong young bodies fit, and young brains alert so that they can grasp the instructions more readily and with greater enthusiasm.

The moral side of the young man's instruction will also receive due attention. Each camp will have its Chaplains of practically every denomination who function the same as the pastor of their own churches, visiting students in their tents, lecturing upon inspiring topics and holding religious services in the camp chapels on the Sabbath.

Taft Continues To Slowly Lose Ground

WASHINGTON, Feb. 26.—Constant loss of strength by William Howard Taft has led to uncertainty as to how much longer he can withstand the great strain imposed on his blood circulation.

"The former Chief Justice is not so well as yesterday," the attending physicians reported today through the White House.

"He is gradually growing weaker," the bulletin continued. "He suffers no pain, but his condition is worse than at any time."

For several days now the 73-year-old man has been unable to leave his bed, although for a time the doctors had allowed him to spend brief intervals sitting up. He is yet able to take nourishment, but in smaller quantities than last week.

Since his resignation as Chief Justice early this month, his blood circulation system has been more seriously impaired. As a result, unusually heavy burdens have been imposed on his heart, which for several years has required the most careful nursing, with precautions against demands upon it by exercise. Also, he has lost considerable weight since his return from Asheville.

MRS FITTS DIES

Mrs. George Fitts, of Durham, widow of former Sheriff Fitts of Warren county, was buried at Fairview cemetery on Thursday afternoon at 4 o'clock. Funeral services were held at Durham and the body accompanied by a number of friends was brought to Warrenton for interment.

SON BORN

Born to Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Copley on Sunday, February 23, an eleven pound boy.

THINGS THAT NEVER HAPPEN



University Board May Act Quickly

RALEIGH, Feb. 27.—A movement is on foot among some of the trustees of the University of North Carolina to proceed immediately to the election of a successor when the board meets on March 4 to act upon the resignation of President H. W. Chase, it was learned yesterday.

W. Lunsford Long of Roanoke Rapids, a trustee who has been on the board for a number of years, stated here that he favors such a course and is understood to have support from other trustees. Mr. Long is understood to favor the election of Dr. R. D. W. Connor, professor of history, who was a serious contender when Dr. Chase was elected 11 years ago. At that time Dr. Connor was secretary of the State Historical Commission and a trustee of the State University, and was declared disqualified for the latter reason under a ruling of the Attorney General.

If the election is held next Thursday, such a course would be expected to favor the selection of a number of the present faculty. Several faculty members have been prominently mentioned but there has been more activity in behalf of Dr. Connor and Frank Graham than any others, according to reports reaching Raleigh.

When President Edward Kidder Graham died in October, 1918, a committee was appointed to investigate the qualifications of all proposed candidates and report their findings without nominations. The election of Dr. Chase did not occur until the following June and it had been assumed in some quarters that there would be similar investigation and delay this year with the scope of the inquiry probably occupying a wide sphere.

Governor O. Max Gardner, chairman ex-officio of the board, visited Chapel Hill yesterday, but declined upon his return to comment on his mission. However, the presence of the Governor in Chapel Hill at this particular time was considered significant.

John S. Nowell Dies At Home In Macon

Funeral services for John S. Nowell, cashier of the Bank of Macon, were held from the Macon Baptist church at 3:30 o'clock on Sunday afternoon by the Rev. R. E. Brickhouse and the Rev. J. A. Martin. Mr. Nowell died at his home at Macon on Saturday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock following an illness of fifteen weeks with angina Pectoris.

Pallbearers were M. M. Drake, Macon Thornton, Marvin Drake, Joseph Ward, Joseph Nowell and George Rhodes.

Mr. Nowell was about 60 years old. Born in Perquimans county he spent his entire life in that community. He was a member of Johnson Caswell Masonic lodge at Warrenton and had many friends in the county. He is survived by his wife, formerly Miss Emma Thornton, by two brothers, Jim Nowell, of Augusta, Ga., and Stephen Nowell, of Windfall, and by a sister, Mrs. J. L. Coleman of Macon.

Defers Purchase Of Prison Farm

RALEIGH, Feb. 27.—Although the directors of the State Prison are understood to have been favorably disposed toward immediate use of the \$400,000 bond issue authorization of the 1927 General Assembly for a new prison farm, all members of that board as well as all members of the Council of State and all members of the Advisory Budget Commission yesterday approved the recommendation of Governor O. Max Gardner that the matter be deferred until after the 1931 General Assembly.

Under the Governor's plan a commission will be appointed from the three boards which met here yesterday to serve with three citizens from the State at large in recommending a general plan for the whole prison problem, including a study of the advisability of replacing the present State Prison, which was built immediately after the Civil War and is considered antiquated and inadequate.

May Improve Cotton By Community Action

A plan for the improvement of cotton by communities and counties has been agreed upon by a committee representing the North Carolina Experiment Station, the extension service, cotton association, crop improvement association and vocational teachers and is now being widely distributed throughout the State.

The plan briefly calls first for the use of those varieties which have been tested and found adapted to North Carolina by the experiment station, followed by the adoption of a certain variety for a community and the breeding of this cotton through careful selection and care of the seed.

The committee suggests that county agents, vocational teachers, and representatives of other interested organizations meet with the good farmers of a community and decide upon one or two varieties for the community or county. When varieties are agreed upon, one or more farmers who have a reputation for care and integrity should be chosen to produce planting seed for the community. Those who have large areas to cotton and private gins should be given preference and the start should be made with reliable seed from a well-known breeder.

It is hoped eventually to develop one or more local cotton breeders in each community who will receive a premium for the planting seed produced. In any case, the seed intended for planting should be well looked after at the gin so that no mixing is done. The seed should also be released after ginning.

The committee recommends that the seed cotton from which planting seed is to be obtained, be picked and stored for at least 30 days.

CHARLEY HORSE PUTS JACK SCOTT ON SHELVE

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Feb. 27.—Jack Scott, veteran pitcher, and Frank McCullough, rookie infielder, were casualties in the New York Giants' camp today. Scott has a charley-horse and McCullough has a split finger on his right hand.

MUMPS HALTS WIGGINS

Judge Clement Miss Carrie Broughton While Ma State Library Covers; May Go Forward Monday

IS ADERHOLT PARALLEL

CHARLOTTE, Feb. 27.—Mumps intervened in the Wiggins murder trial here today.

A crestfallen jury which had sat through three days of State's evidence and entertained some hope of returning its verdict by Saturday night, heard what amounted to a sentence on itself when Judge J. H. Clement announced that in lieu of ordering a mistrial he would continue the case until Monday.

Two physicians who examined the stricken defendant, O. H. Lunsford, Lory mill special officer, reported to the court that Lunsford was running high temperature and pulse and that he could remain in the courtroom only in serious jeopardy of his health. The medical men expressed the opinion that he might be able to return Monday.

Thus the trial of five alleged members of an anti-Communist mob charged with murdering and conspiring to murder Ella May Wiggins in one of the last tragic episodes of the Gaston county textile strike disturbances last year, developed another parallel to the famed Aderholt case.

The Aderholt case was tried in the same courtroom, like the Wiggins case, under change of venue from Gaston on the grounds that a fair trial could not be had so near the scene of the tragedy. The Aderholt case had rocked along through tedious days of selecting a jury and voluminous evidence when suddenly a juror went violently insane. Judge Barnhill was forced to order a mistrial and the whole business had to be started over again.

With half the case completed, Judge Clement did not feel justified in ordering a mistrial despite the hardship entailed on the jurors.

While Lunsford goes home to bed with the mumps, and the other four defendants: Horace Wheelus, Troy Jones, Lowry Davis, and Fred Morrow, are free under bond to go where they will, the jury must remain isolated from the world under the watchful eye of Deputy Sheriff Avery Johnson, whose duty it is to keep them from talking about, reading about, or having contact with any outsider even remotely interested in the case, escorting them out for three meals a day and seeing that they are locked up at night in special hotel quarters.

Pay of jurors in Mecklenburg county is \$4 a day and food and lodging. The delay possibly proved welcome to two members, who admitted during examinations that they were unemployed. But the delay certainly will not prove popular in Gaston county, which has to foot the bill, and which did considerable furling over the account rendered in the Aderholt case.

Williams Says Pay Now And Save

Pay your taxes now and save the penalty for delay, Sheriff O. D. Williams said this week. "Again may you allow me to call your attention that unless your taxes are paid by March 1 the law compels me to collect a 2 per cent penalty, and to those who have been waiting until May there will be a 4 per cent penalty. Let's all pay now and save the penalty."

FORMER WISE BOY MADE GENERAL SALES MANAGER

The friends of Mr. Nat Hayes, formerly of Wise, will be pleased to learn that at a recent stockholders meeting of the Carolina Steel & Iron Co. of Greensboro, he was promoted to General Sales Manager of that concern, and will assume his new position March 1st.

For two years Mr. Hayes has had charge of the sales office at Winston-Salem. He and Mrs. Hayes, after a business and pleasure trip to New York last week, are now making their home in Greensboro.

PERSONAL MENTION

Miss Mary Frances Rodwell, who is going to school at Duke University, spent the week end at home with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Rodwell.

Miss Alice Littlepage Burwell was at home with a Duke University classmate the past week end. Mr. Armistead Boyd and a friend of Carolina spent the week end at home. Mr. Barker Williams of Carolina spent the past week end here.

Bill To Make Changes In Service Men's Act

WASHINGTON, Feb. 26.—The 1924 World War Veterans Act would be radically amended and \$100,000,000 more would be devoted every year to veterans' compensation under the Johnson bill approved today by the House veterans committee.

The measure combines recommendations of the American Legion, Disabled American Veterans, Veterans of Foreign Wars and the Veterans Bureau. It would deny the Comptroller General power to reverse a decision of the director of the Veterans Bureau and would provide that proper consideration be given "to lay evidence and other evidence not of a medical nature" in adjudicating veterans' cases.

A section considered of prime importance provides that every man's disability which existed to 10 per cent degree prior to January 1, 1925, should be presumed to be acquired in service. This would affect approximately 84,000 cases, at a cost of \$76,000,000 to the government.

For persons suffering the loss of a foot or hand, the bill would provide \$25 a month additional compensation, a clause which would cause a \$1,500,000 expenditure the first year of its operation.

Veterans' insurance policies would be made incontestable.

Mrs. Bost Names As Welfare Head

RALEIGH, Feb. 27.—Mrs. W. T. Bost, executive secretary of the North Carolina Federation of Women's Clubs, will succeed Mrs. Kate Burr Johnson as Commissioner of Public Welfare on April 1, the State Board of Charities and Public Welfare announced yesterday.

Mrs. Bost's name was agreed upon at a meeting of the board in Greensboro Monday, when Mrs. Johnson formally tendered her resignation, but no announcement of her successor was made until Col. W. A. Blair of Winston-Salem, chairman of the board, presented Mrs. Bost's name to Governor Gardner yesterday and received his hearty approval. Mrs. Johnson on April 1 became superintendent of the State Home for Girls at Trenton, N. J., where she will supervise a Statewide program on classification work among women prisoners, a new venture in penology.

Mrs. Bost will be North Carolina's second woman commissioner, this State having chosen the first woman head of a State welfare program in the entire country when the board elected Mrs. Johnson in 1926. Members of the welfare board, the staff of workers and others greeted the announcement of Mrs. Bost's election with favorable comment. Her salary will be \$3,600 a year.

The new commissioner is the wife of a well-known newspaper man, capital correspondent of the Greensboro Daily News. Her activities along a variety of lines have made her one of the best-known women in the State, especially among the women themselves.

POWELL FINDS EVIDENCE OF WHISKEY MAKING

"I found a well, scraps of copper and evidences of whiskey making on my place last Friday," T. E. Powell, tax lister for Warrenton township, reported to Sheriff O. D. Williams last week. Mr. Powell said that he had not been on the property in over a year—a tract lying near the Seaboard between Warren Plains and Macon.

"I heard reports of whiskey activity over there and I went out to investigate—I didn't see any one," he said. He found evidence aplenty of bootleg activity but it did not include either booze or mash.

SHARKEY STOPS SCOTT IN THIRD ROUND OF FIGHT

MADISON SQUARE GARDEN ARENA, Miami, Fla., Feb. 27.—Amidst scenes of terrific confusion, such as have not attended a heavyweight bout in some years, Jack Sharkey of Boston was declared winner by a technical knockout over Phil Scott of England in the third round of the winter heavyweight carnival before 24,000 people here tonight.

The end came after two minutes and 34 seconds of the third round, which does not include a lot of time spent in frantic arguing during which the action was suspended.

W. BRODIE JONES IS LAID TO REST

Funeral Services For Editor Of The Warren Record Held Thursday

END CAME WEDNESDAY

Funeral services for W. Brodie Jones, editor of The Warren Record, and business manager of The Press Publishing Co., were held from the home of his parents here yesterday afternoon by the Rev. J. A. Martin, pastor of the Methodist church, assisted by Dr. T. J. Gibbs, and the Rev. B. N. de Foe-Wagner of the Episcopal church. Interment was made in Fairview cemetery.

Mr. Jones ended his own life in his room at Warrenton at 3:40 o'clock on Wednesday afternoon. Worry over the condition of his health is given as the reason for the act.

Mr. Jones had been riding with a friend and told him that he wanted to wash his hands, saying that he thought it would make him feel better. Entering the home he walked into the bedroom and shot himself in the head with a revolver. Death was instantaneous. Coroner E. Hunter Pinnel was called but deemed an inquest unnecessary.

Had Nervous Breakdown

Mr. Jones became despondent following a nervous breakdown, but his family and friends believed it to be only temporary and advised him to take it easy for a few days until he felt more like himself.

Brodie Jones was born in Wilson on March 5, 1898, the son of Howard F. Jones and Estelle Brodie Jones. He came to Warrenton with his family in 1907 and had lived here since that time. He attended school at the John Graham high school, the University of North Carolina and Columbia University. He learned the printing trade in his father's office as a boy and since his return from New York in 1921 had been editor of The Warren Record and business manager of The Press Publishing Company.

Mr. Jones is survived by his father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Howard F. Jones, Sr., one sister, Mrs. Rives Taylor, of Oxford, and by three brothers, Bignall, Duke and Howard Jones, Jr., all of Warrenton.

It was one of the most largely attended funerals ever held here. Mr. Jones, editor of The Warren Record, and business manager of The Press Publishing Co., and interested in several other papers in the section, was widely known, having been for ten years a popular member of the newspaper fraternity and active at meetings of the State Press Association and in local civic affairs. A large number of beautiful floral designs and numerous messages of condolence told of the high esteem in which the young man was held and of the sympathy felt for the stricken family.

The pallbearers were W. K. Faulkner, W. T. Polk, Alpheus Jones, E. G. Allen, Tom Gillan, Ed Gillam Hugh White and T. N. Ball.

Live-At-Home Plan Widely Broadcast

Incomplete reports from the home and farm agents of the agricultural extension service at State college indicate that these workers alone reached approximately 100,000 persons during the "live-at-home" week of February 10.

Reports received from the farm agents by C. A. Sheffield, assistant director of extension, show that about 50,000 persons attended the various meetings held and addressed by these men and while there are fewer home agents, they did much of their work in the schools and at meetings of women's organizations where it is believed that another 50,000 persons were acquainted with the principles of the "live-at-home" movement. All of this is in addition to other work done by the school teachers and state and county organizations which took an active part in the program.

Early last week, Mr. Sheffield had received reports from 39 counties showing that the farm agents had held 169 meetings at which there were 39,420 persons. When it is considered that there are 84 farm agents and two assistant agents at work in North Carolina, it is believed that the estimate of 50,000 persons reached is rather low or at least conservative. Not half of the agents had reported when these figures were secured.

Some of the men and women reported.

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