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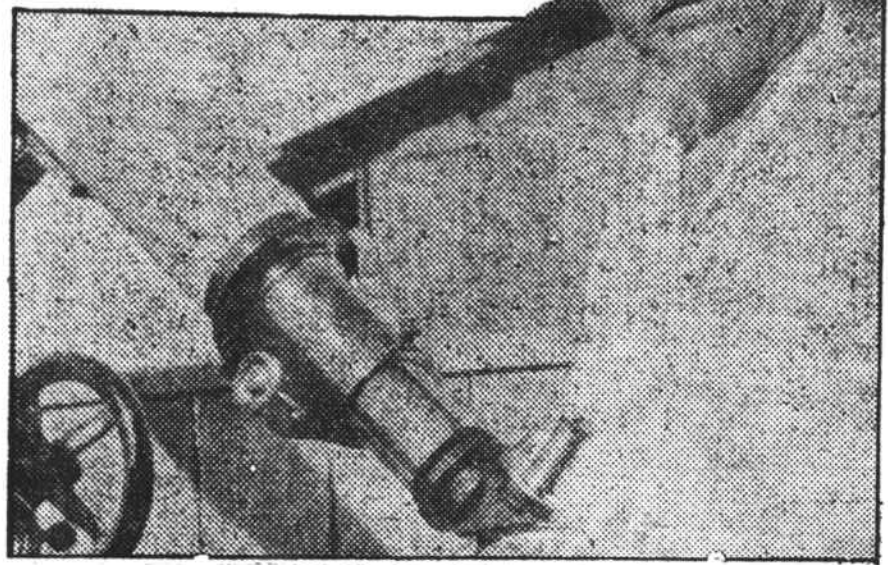
WARRENTON, COUNTY OF WARREN, N. C., FRIDAY, AUGUST 7, 1931

MOST OF THE NEWS
ALL THE TIME

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Jap Finds Comet with Home-Made Telescope

Masaji Nagata, an obscure Japanese grower of garden truck, of Brawley, Cal., startled world astronomers by finding a new heavenly body with a two-inch telescope he built himself. The comet will probably be named after him.



NOT GUILTY IS GREEN VERDICT

Negro Trapped By "Stool Pigeon" Is Freed By Jury In Recorder's Court

A "stool pigeon," alleged to have been drinking, trapped William Henry Green, negro known to the streets of Warrenton for years as "Tip Green," according to evidence given in Recorder's court on Monday morning by Special Prohibition Enforcement Officer Edward Davis. After the evidence in the case had been presented a jury decreed that Green was not guilty of selling, transporting or having whiskey in his possession.

Green was arrested on Saturday night, July 25, by Prohibition Enforcement Officer Edward Davis and one of his deputies, Cary Wilson. John Cary Davis, who has been active in the crusade against whiskey, had no part in the capture. The arrest took place near the negro church on Main street in south Warrenton, and about a quart of whiskey in a half-gallon jar and a pint bottle, a relic of the old Warrenton dispensary, were offered in court as evidence.

Officer Davis, the first to take the stand, testified that reports had come to him of liquor being sold on the streets of Warrenton. He said that he made an agreement with Herbert Clark, white boy, whereby Clark was to buy whiskey and allow them to make arrests. For the purpose of making the purchase, he said, Clark had been given 50 cents.

Continuing his testimony, Officer Davis said that he saw Clark and Green together and that Clark brought him some whiskey in the pint bottle which he bought from Green. The enforcement officer told the court that he poured this whiskey out and sent Clark out to make another purchase.

He and Cary Wilson, his deputy, the testimony went, secreted themselves in the bushes near the church, from which point they had a good view, it being a moonlight night, and he saw Clark and Green approaching, the latter having a bundle under his arm. The men were standing near him, the witness told, when arrangement for the purchase took place and the time came for paying for the whiskey. Realizing that Clark had already spent the 50 cents he had given him and that he was without funds, Officer Davis said that he and his deputy ran out and grabbed Green.

There was about a quart of liquor in the jar which Green held, the officer testified, and said a 50 cents piece was found on Green which bore the same date as the half-dollar he had given Clark earlier in the evening for the purpose of buying booze.

When examined by Gilmer Overby, counsel for the defendant, the special prohibition enforcement officer said that he did not know where Clark was, but heard that he had left the county for fear of being arrested for the part he played in bringing about Green's arrest. He said that he knew that Clark had been drinking, but, apparently, he was all right at the time that he assisted him. Two dollars and fifty cents was to be paid Clark for each arrest he brought about, the enforcement officer said. In reply to a question asked by the attorney, the witness said that he did not ask the cooperation of the other officers in the county and the town police force in breaking up the sale of whiskey on the streets at Warrenton.

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BIDS FOR STREET WORK ORDERED

Chairman and Engineer Submit Plans At Regular Meeting of Board

PRAISE HOTEL WARREN

Streets of Warrenton will be given a coating of gravel and tar within the next few weeks if plans submitted by W. H. Boyd, town engineer, and E. E. Gillam, chairman of the street committee, to the board of town commissioners in regular session on Monday night are carried out.

The board after hearing the recommendation of Messrs. Boyd and Gillam and a discussion of ways and means of financing the work, ordered Commissioner Gillam to advertise bids for this work. This will be done, Mr. Gillam said yesterday, as soon as necessary specifications can be drawn up.

Under the plan submitted the town may do much of the work instead of placing it under contract, especially if a low figure for this work is not offered. In that event the town will buy materials under competitive bids and cover the streets under the direction of its own engineer. The work is expected to cost slightly more than \$3,000 and the board expressed the belief that no bond issue would be necessary.

H. W. Rodwell, who was elected at the last meeting to succeed C. F. Moseley, who resigned to accept the position of town clerk, was present. Commissioner Boyd Massenbun was absent. He is on the Georgia tobacco market.

Commissioner H. A. Moseley reported that the business at Hotel Warren was showing steady improvement under the management of J. Haywood Duke, and that while he did not have definite figures with him, he knew that receipts to the town under the new management had materially increased, and particularly so during the past few weeks.

The board adjourned to meet upon call of Mayor Frank H. Gibbs when matters pertaining to the new control act and the budget will be considered.

Bruening Opens Germany's Banks

BERLIN, Aug. 5. — Germany's banks, closed for more than three weeks as an emergency measure to stabilize the country's finances, reopened today for public business in an atmosphere of perfect calm.

Preparations made for possible runs by depositors proved superfluous and nowhere did withdrawals exceed the estimated volume. Hoarded money freely flowed into banks here and the same conditions prevailed in the provinces.

Chancellor Heinrich Bruening leaves tonight for Rome with his foreign minister to visit Premier Mussolini as well as Pope Pius XI. Following in the wake of the English, French and German visits, the Rome conference will be one of a remarkable series of meetings among the leading statesmen of Europe which began on June 4 with the journey of German officials to London. Herr Bruening hopes to complete the good work by having Premier Laval and foreign minister Briand in Berlin late this month and persuade Mussolini and Foreign Minister Grandi to repay the German visit.

The opening of the Reich's banks after an enforced holiday of more than three weeks was believed to have given the chancellor new encouragement in his task of bringing financial order out of chaos.

Many Tar Heels Work In Canada

WASHINGTON, Aug. 6.—Approximately 1,800 North Carolinians are helping Canada make and harvest tobacco. In order that the Tar Heels could go and work there the ban on immigrant was loosened a little. Six hundred Carolinians were due in Canada this week. They will teach natives to flue-cure.

Negotiations were started some time ago to have the Department of Immigration at Ottawa allow an agreement to partially lift the ban against agricultural workers. Had the Southerner not gone to the assistance of the Canadian tobacco farmers they would have been in some distress.

Norfolk county, where the North Carolinians are at work, has 20,000 acres of flue-cured tobacco.

Citizens Education Board To Retain Agricultural Work

Jurors Are Drawn For September Term Of Superior Court

Jurors have been drawn for September term of Warren County Superior court as follows:

First week:—M. P. Nicholson, John Welch, N. M. Thornton, W. H. Alston, Arthur Gray, J. T. Champion, E. G. King, A. J. Ellington, L. E. Stainback, R. D. Fleming, H. C. Montgomery, J. W. King, H. H. Johnston, E. R. Clary, Jack King, E. H. Russell, H. W. Halthcock, T. P. Collins, Armstead Carter, R. E. Davis, W. Kearney Thompson, L. M. Paschall, F. E. Robertson, J. F. Hunter, D. R. Mustian, William Boyce, William Edmonds, W. G. Alston, S. J. Satterwhite, A. P. Holtzman, James R. Young, Paul B. Bell, H. M. Fuller, J. H. Newsom, Edward Petar.

Second week:—J. E. Moseley, J. E. Reid, G. W. Hester, John W. King, R. A. Tharrington, J. E. Frazier, J. F. Smithwick, R. L. Godzey, H. Glenn Weldon, M. P. Burwell Jr., W. J. Shearin, F. J. Robertson, C. W. Cole, W. H. Hawks, H. P. Read, C. L. Moseley, W. B. Reid, E. C. Overby.

Edison Not Yet Out of Danger

WEST ORANGE, N. J., Aug. 6.—Thos. A. Edison is held to life only by frayed strands of health, Dr. Hubert S. Howe told reporters yesterday.

He said that although the 84-year old inventor had showed marked and rapid improvement he was not yet "out of immediate danger."

"His condition is like the fraying out of an elevator rope," Dr. Howe said. "The elevator functions until the last strand breaks. The outside looks all right. All that is left for the engineer to do is to protect the last few strands."

The physician said Edison has a chance of "coming out of this and living for some time."

In the earlier stages of his illness, Dr. Howe said, the inventor had been unwilling to take any medicine until he had read all about it and studied its chemical reactions. But he has been so sick, the doctor added, that he was willing now to take the medicine first and read of its effects afterward.

Fruit Jars Wanted By Local Chapter Of Red Cross

Old fruit jars, half-gallon or quart size, are wanted by the local chapter of the American Red Cross. Seed furnished citizens in the drought area in the spring have resulted in good gardens in many instances, but the owners are unable to finance canning of their produce.

The local chapter yesterday asked that citizens having a surplus quantity of these jars to bring them to the Red Cross rooms above the Citizens Bank, Warrenton, on Saturday, August 8, or on Saturday, August 15. A representative will be on hand to receive them.

Lightning Stuns Two Children On Tuesday

Lightning leaping from a pine tree where it had struck to a post at a poultry yard fence where G. B. Hull Jr. and Alfred Hull were standing temporarily stunned the children, struck an out-building where considerable damage was done and then followed electric wires into the Hull home where it knocked the electric meter out and threw it ten feet over Mrs. Hull's head, according to Mr. Hull's account of the storm on Tuesday afternoon.

Mr. Hull said that the children were knocked down and were in a daze for a few moments, but no serious damage was done to them. The entire front of the out-building was wrecked, he said.

BUYERS LEAVE FOR MARKETS

The following Warrenton tobaccoists are buying on the markets in South Carolina, Georgia and North Carolina: Pete Reavis, Johnsville, S. C.; John Tarwater, Fair Bluff, N. C.; Weldon Hall and Frank Newell, Tabor, N. C.; A. V. Lawson, Tabor, N. C.; Boyd Massenbun, Whitman, Ga.; M. C. McGuire, Loris, S. C. Mr. McGuire was accompanied by his wife.

Commissioners By Three to Two Vote Refuse to Make Three Cent Levy to Maintain Agricultural Work In Schools of Warren County

OUTSTANDING WORK OF BRIGHT IS POINTED OUT

A petition bearing the names of hundreds of Warren county taxpayers will be presented to the board of county commissioners today asking that they reconsider their action of Monday and levy a 3-cent tax rate in order to carry on agricultural work in the schools of the county.

As soon as the action of the board in refusing to make the levy on Monday became known to the public, petitions were drawn up with an attached sheet giving some of the outstanding work performed during the past year by R. H. Bright, teacher of vocational agriculture in the John Graham high school, Warrenton. Farmers were interviewed and furnished statements approving this work. Canvassers carried these petitions over the town of Warrenton, to Norlina, Macon, and Littleton. E. Hunter Pinnel, prominent farmer, has been circulating the petition over the county. E. G. Allen has handled the petition at Warrenton. He has been assisted by Howard Jones Jr., John Henderson, G. B. Gregory, cashier of the Bank of Warrenton, and R. B. Boyd Jr., local tobaccoist, and large landowner.

Shearin to Maintain Warren's Fleet Of School Trucks

Contracts for maintenance of Warren county's fleet of school trucks was on Monday awarded to E. W. Shearin of Littleton at a sum of \$1567.50 by the Board of Education in regular session at Warrenton on Monday. Mr. Shearin named his brother as his assistant.

Seven bids were made in response to call advertised by the board several days ago. The bid of Mr. Shearin's was the lowest offered. Roy Davis' bid of \$3087.50 was the highest made. Other bidders were: W. W. O'Neil Elberon, \$2384 E. A. Fuller and H. M. Fuller, Warrenton, \$2185; John Threewits, Vaughan, \$2,000; A. P. Pridden, Warrenton, \$1758.50; J. H. Gardner, Macon, \$1780.

The repair shop for the trucks will be maintained for the present in the R. E. Williams storage building at Warrenton. Contracts for coal was awarded to A. T. Massey Coal Co. of Richmond, Va. This coal will be furnished the school system at a per ton cost of \$1.05, \$1.10 and \$1.40. Freight will be approximately \$3 a ton. Contracts for hauling to schools was awarded to Charlie Harris of Macon and J. D. Dickerson of Warrenton.

The board accepted the resignation of J. L. Aycock as member of the school committee of Afton-Elberon. Reason or resignation was not given. The board expressed its regret that Mr. Aycock found it necessary to resign.

Allie Hayes was authorized to sell the piano of the old One school, no longer in operation. Meeting with the board of county commissioners in the afternoon the board of education asked that a three cent rate be levied in order to maintain agricultural work in the county. The commissioners by three to two vote refused to do this.

Insurance Men Hold District Meeting

Representatives of the Pilot Life Insurance Co. came to Warrenton to be with Claude Halthcock, local agent, for their district meeting which was held at Hotel Warren on Tuesday night with a banquet in the Kiwanis dining room. Two officials, eight agents and three visitors were present for the meeting which began at 6:30 and came to a close about 9 o'clock after impromptu talks had been made by each person present.

The meeting was presided over by H. L. Rawlings of Durham, branch manager.

"This depression which we are experiencing has one fine feature, and that is that it has taught us the necessity for preparedness," T. J. Blair of Greensboro, agency manager, told the representatives of the company after he had been called on by Mr. Rawlings for a talk which would stimulate the agents in carrying over a million dollar drive by September. The agency manager said that business men of today and individuals have been brought to the realization that they must look ahead and create a surplus fund which could be relied upon in such a crisis as the depression has brought about. "This depression has revealed that even the best business men can lose their fortune during the abnormal period of today, and the only guarantee that any man has of leaving an estate, unless he dies on a bull market, is insurance," Mr. Blair pointed out that their company had done 12 per cent more business during July 1931 than during the same month last year, and said that he was expecting this

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Sketch of Work

The petition also bore attached a sheet recounting part of the work performed by Mr. Bright during the year he has been in Warren county. It was pointed out therein that Mr. Bright had terraced 1500 acres of land for Warren farmers, and that according to government estimates this affected a saving of \$6,000 yearly. He aided farmers in purchasing co-operatively 300 tons of fertilizer at a saving of \$800.

It pointed out that the teacher is now supervising the cultivation of 100 acres of tobacco, 300 acres of cotton, 200 acres of corn; that he gave invaluable aid in obtaining funds under the Federal Seed Loan Act.

During the past school year he gave instruction in agriculture to 37 boys and 20 adult farmers.

Members of his class sprayed and pruned 3,000 fruit trees for citizens of the county, and culled chickens for a number of farmers.

He aided in the shipment of two cars of poultry from the county, and aided farmers in bringing beef cattle into Warren county.

In addition, it was stated, that Mr. Bright has been contact man in county for Federal projects.