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LONG SESSION OF COUNTY COURT

Nearly 6 o'clock Before Jury
Brings In Verdict of Guilty
In Richardson Case

STANSBURY IS TRIED

Evidence and arguments in two
the three bills of indictment
composing the docket submitted in
before the court on Monday morn-
were responsible for one of the
sessions that has been wit-
since Judge W. W. Taylor
has been presiding.

Court began around the usual
of 10 o'clock in the presence
of a large number of citizens from
the township who had come to
to testify in the case of
the State against Jesse Stansbury,
the man charged with assault,
conduct and being drunk,
to come to a close a little before
of six after jury men con-
in their opinion that Charlie
Richardson, negro, was guilty of
assault.

The charges preferred against
Stansbury were the outgrowth of a
baseball game which he attended as
spectator and engaged in a fight
with Howard Salmon, captain of
of the teams. Stansbury did
to testify in his own behalf. Sal-
mon told the court that Stansbury
came on the ball diamond stag-
gered and using profanity in the
presence of ladies. He said that he told
the spectator in a polite way that
he would have to leave and that
Stansbury asked him what he had
to do with it. The baseball captain
said that Stansbury cursed him
and he knocked him down and the
spectator had expressed his willing-
ness to quit the fight, he turned to
leave when he was struck by Stans-
bury with a rock back of the head
that he then turned and knock-
ed the defendant down again. A
number of witnesses placed on the
stand by the State upheld Salmon's
account of the affray.

Witnesses for Stansbury said that
he did not hear the defendant
use profane language, and said
he did not act like a drunk.
However, one of the Stansbury
witnesses admitted on cross exami-
nation that he saw a bottle in the
hand of the accused. Witnesses
testified that after the fight
was over and while Stansbury was
his way from the diamond, that
Stansbury's brother threw a rock at
Stansbury which struck him, and
while Salmon had Stansbury
the ground that Willie Harrison,
about a 200 pound white man, kick-
ed Stansbury. The testimony as to
Stansbury was denied by Harrison and
other witnesses of the fight.

After the evidence in the case
had been heard and speeches by
the State and the defendant, the
court, representing the de-
fendant, and Joe Pippen, prosecu-
tor, a number of citizens from River
township testified that Stansbury
had a reputation for drinking, curs-
ing and fighting the women in his
neighborhood. Judge Taylor at first
sent Stansbury \$15.00 and costs
and gave him a 12-month suspend-
ed sentence, but after it had
been pointed out that the defend-
ant was unable to pay the costs in
the case, Judge Taylor sent him to
the roads for 65 days.

Another brother occupied
the attention of the court from
mid-day until 6 o'clock as
Banzet endeavored to free
the Richard, negro, of a charge
of assault and John Kerr Jr., work-
man on evidence to convince a jury
that the defendant had gone to the
home of his brother, Joe Richardson,
and he was not there and fired
a shot from the outside through
a window into a room where two
men and several children were.

After some time the jury was un-
able to reach a verdict in the case
and it appeared as if a mistrial
would be ordered, but the judging
jury, after stating that they had
been unable to agree but wished
to make another effort, returned
to the jury room for a minute or
two and then told Judge Taylor
they had agreed that Charlie
Richardson was guilty. The defend-
ant was sentenced to six months,
to work the roads, by
Judge Taylor.

While waiting for the verdict of
the jury in the Richardson case,
George Alston, negro, was tried on
a charge of assault. He was found
guilty.

EDITORIAL CHANGE

W. W. Jones, editor of The War-
ren Record, this week assumed
the duties of the Vance News-Leader,
paper owned and published by
Press Publishing Co., for Hen-
derson and vicinity.
The Warren Record is being edit-
ed by Howard Jones Jr., assisted by
W. W. Jones as associate editor
and business manager.

CITIZENS SUGGEST PLANS TO RAISE PRICES OF FARM COMMODITIES

Jones Would Have Govern-
ment Aid Upon Agree-
ment Not to Plant

Editor, The Warren Record, Sir:
"Fools rush in where Angels fear
to tread" does not deter me from
trying to help the economic situa-
tion confronting us brought about
by prostrate Agriculture.

I recall distinctly Mr. Hoover's
promise to the farmers of this
Country as candidate Hoover and
his promise of "a few hundred mil-
lion spent to place agriculture on a
parity with manufacturing" in-
fluenced millions of farmers in the
South and West to vote for him. It
is true that Manufacturing and
Agriculture are on a parity, both
having fallen into the ditch under
the Republican policies of a high
tariff and the deifying of the gold
dollar.

The Farm Board's Plan to de-
stroy one third of the present grow-
ing cotton crop is silly in concep-
tion, because it is impractical in its
application. Therefore a serious—
a deplorable condition confronts our
cotton growers. Many remedies are
offered, but none that I have seen
(even Senator Smith's and Senator
Carraway's) touches the real crux
of the matter. They propose an iron-
clad agreement to plant no cotton
in 1932—an agreement with the
Government and enforceable with
penalties. Thus far is good. States
cannot and will not handle the sit-
uation. There must be a plan by
which the farmer profits by his
sacrifice?

The Plan
Bearing in mind candidate Hoover's
statement at St. Louis that a
few hundred millions of dollars
spent for agriculture would be a
duty, then I suggest that the Govern-
ment go into the market and
buy all middling cotton upon a
basis of the average price it has
cost the buyer (speaking of the 1930
crop). This may be 14 cents, per-
haps less. As a part of this purchase
there must be a signed agreement
from every land owner that he will
not plant or permit to be planted
upon his lands one acre in cotton
for the year 1932. Enact a tariff
that will prevent the importation
of a bale of cotton at less than 25
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Gibbs Would Have Federal
Farm Board Destroy Principal
Crops Surpluses

Editor, of The Warren Record
Sir:—Since my telegram last week
to the Chairman of the Farm Board
in regard to the cotton situation
I would appreciate an opportunity to
let the people know more in detail
my position in respect to same.

I think that it is generally con-
ceded by the best informed people of
this country that farm commodity
surpluses constitute the greatest ob-
stacles to a return to normal con-
ditions here and elsewhere in the
world, and that the rule of supply
and demand, wether justly or un-
justly so, controls the situation.
Assuming that this diagnosis of our
present economic troubles is sub-
stantially correct, then what is the
surest and most effective way to
remove the cause? In my opinion,
it is by the government immedi-
ately purchasing and destroying (or
giving to countries or people who
otherwise would do without) a suf-
ficient amount of cotton, wheat and
tobacco to insure the results de-
sired and after that is done there
will be sufficient time in which to
try to devise some method to con-
trol these surpluses in the future.
Certainly the immediate results
through a world wide improvement
in business conditions would more
than compensate for the outlay of
money necessary to give effect to
this plan.

Now let us consider, aside from the
humanitarian standpoint, the cost
to the government of putting this
plan into operation for this year.
It is my understanding that the U. S.
Farm Board owns directly 1,300,-
000 bales of cotton and that it con-
trols, through loans in excess of the
present market value, 2,000,000 ad-
ditional bales held by the various
cooperative marketing associations.
That it also owns 200,000,000 bushels
of wheat. The combined present
market values of these farm com-
modities amount to approximately
\$200,000,000. Suppose a sum equal to
this amount was invested in cotton
and wheat at present prices prior
to the government's announcement
that it would destroy these sur-
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Reduction For Early Payment of Taxes

Citizens paying their taxes on or
before September 1st will be granted
a deduction of two per cent, ac-
cording to the Machinery Act of
1931 which reads as follows:

"Shall any taxpayer desire to
make a prepayment of his taxes
between July 1, and October 1, or
any year, he may do so by making
payment to the county or city ac-
countant, city clerk, auditor or
treasurer, as the governing body
may determine and shall be entit-
led to the following discounts: If
paid on or before July 1, a deduc-
tion of three per cent; if paid on
or before August 1, a deduction of
two and one-half per cent; if paid
on or before Sept. 1, a deduction
of two per cent; if paid on or before
October 1, a deduction of one and
one-half per cent.

"Whenever any such payments
are made, the auditor or county
accountant shall certify the same to
the clerk to the board of county
commissioners, and the same shall
be credited, together with the dis-
count, to the taxes levied to the
person, firm or corporation, which
credit shall include the discount
upon the above basis."

Rally To Be Held At Jerusalem On 30th

A home coming rally will be
held at Jerusalem church on August
30, when all absent and former
members, all former pastors, and
worshipping friends of the church
are expected to gather, according
to announcement made by Laura H.
Tarkington. Those unable to come
are asked to send a message to be
read to their former friends and
associates.

Sunday School Meet To Be Held On 31st

The Warren County Baptist Sun-
day School Association will meet
August 31, for the fifth Sunday
meeting with the Bear Swamp Baptist
church in Halifax county, J.
Willie White, secretary, announced
yesterday. Dinner will be served on
the ground in picnic style and an
interesting program has been pre-
pared for the big representative at-
tendance which is expected, the
secretary said.

TOBACCO PRICES SHOW ADVANCES

Spirited Bidding Is Reported
On Fairmont Market
On Wednesday

EXPORT CO. ON MARKET

RALEIGH, Aug. 20.—Good qual-
ity tobacco sold at advanced prices
yesterday on the border markets.
Fairmont reported spirited bidding,
with a few baskets selling from \$40
to \$46 a hundred. Tuesday's aver-
ages as officially given, was \$13.99
as against \$12.18 the same day a
year ago.

The average price at Lumberton
yesterday was \$14.17, although more
than the usual quantity of poor
tobacco was sold. The Export To-
bacco company's representatives
came on this market yesterday to
remain the rest of the season.

Squirrel Season To Open September 1

The hunting season for squirrels
opens on the first day of Septem-
ber, E. Hunter Pinnell, game warden,
said yesterday. Mr. Pinnell called
attention to the fact that the
open season on other game came at
a later date and warned against
shooting birds, rabbits, turkeys,
duck, etc., while hunting for squir-
rels.

Local Fire Company Goes To Tarboro

Members of the Warrenton fire
company are expected to return to-
day and tomorrow from Tarboro
where they have been this week at-
tending a convention of the North
Carolina Colored Volunteer Fire as-
sociation.

SAYS SHE OWNS NO LAND IN RIVER TOWNSHIP

"I don't own any land in River
township and it is not my property
that is being advertised for sale,"
Mrs. Frank Allen of Warrenton said
this week in requesting that this
fact be made known to the public.
Mrs. Allen said a number of people
had spoken to her about seeing her
name in The Warren Record among
those in River township who had
failed to pay their taxes and she
wanted it known that she was not
the F. M. Allen whose property is
being advertised.

WE THANK YOU

The force of the Press Publishing
Co. acknowledges with thanks two
watermelon received from Mrs.
Olivia Stallings of Macon and one
melon from J. L. Bolden, vocational
agricultural teacher in the Warren
County Training School at Wise.

MRS. WELDON HAS FALL

Friends of Mrs. Alice Weldon re-
gret that she is still suffering from
the effects of a recent fall and
broken hip at the home of her
daughter, Mrs. J. E. Rooker.

MACON, ROUTE 1

Mr. and Mrs. Malvin King of
Weldon spent the week end with
Mr. and Mrs. J. W. King.

Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Harris and
children, Leon, Myrtis, Mable and
Dorothy, were dinner guest of Mrs.
W. J. Perkinson on Sunday.

Misses Eva Bell and Pauline Har-
ris were dinner guest of their uncle
Mr. H. J. Ellis on Sunday.

Mr. J. D. Ellis and Mr. Jim
Thompson were visitors in Warren-
ton Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Ellis and fam-
ily spent Sunday afternoon in the
home of Mr. and Mrs. John Harris.
Dr. Malvin King and son, Malvin
Jr., and a friend of Texas is visit-
ing his brother Mr. J. W. King.

Mr. Nicholas Mustian called on
Miss Etta King Sunday night.

Mr. Elton Harris called on Miss
Alma Robinson Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Harris and
daughter Dorothy, and Mrs. W. J.
Perkinson spent Sunday afternoon
in the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. H.
Thompson.

Rev. J. A. Martin was a visitor in
the home of Mr. G. H. Thompson
Sunday afternoon.

Miss Helen Riggan of Danville, Va.,
spent Wednesday with her cousin
Miss Lena Perkinson.

Mr. J. R. Ellis, Mrs. Ella Ellis and
Miss Helen Riggan were supper
guest of Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Harris
on Wednesday night.

Miss Helen Riggan has returned
to Danville, Va., after spending two
weeks with relatives of Oakville.

Mr. J. W. King and brother Dr.
Malvin King, Malvin Jr., and friend
spent several days in Washington,
D. C. last week.

Negro Is Killed When Car Is Hit By Train On Friday

One negro was instantly killed
and another injured Friday morn-
ing about 10:30 o'clock when the
Ford touring car in which the two
were riding towards Warrenton was
struck by a Seaboard Air Line pas-
senger train, No. 18, at a grade
crossing a short distance west of
Warren Plains.

Summoned to the scene of the ac-
cident, Seaboard Surgeons G. H.
Macon and W. D. Rodgers, War-
renton physicians, found Charlie
Talley dead and Fleming Talley,
driver of the car, with a broken
leg. The injured man was sent to
the Jubilee hospital at Henderson
and the body of Charlie Talley was
turned over to relatives at Palmer
Springs, where he lived, by Sheriff
W. J. Pinnell after he and the county
attorney deemed an inquest un-
necessary.

The train, which was in charge
of Conductor Sam Kirkpatrick,
Engineer Buck Capelle and Fire-
man Dick Wiggins, came to a halt
within a few feet from where the
car was struck, it was stated.

It is not known whether the
negro failed to see the train or
whether faulty brakes were respon-
sible for the accident. The Ford car
was demolished.

Welfare Officer Hurt In Automobile Wreck

Miss Lucy I. Leach, county wel-
fare officer, suffered minor injuries
Wednesday morning when her car
collided with another automobile
driven by two girls in North Hen-
derson.

According to information reach-
ing here Miss Leach was on her
way towards Henderson with a de-
stitute to be placed in a hospital
when the car containing the two
women drove out of a side road in
North Henderson and crashed into
her car. Her leg was cut, it was said,
and her automobile badly damaged.
Occupants of the other automobile
were not hurt, it was said.

WILL CELEBRATE 20TH ANNIVERSARY OF CAR

SMITH CENTER, Kas., Aug. 19.—
Al Kersey is making preparations to
journey to Detroit to celebrate the
20th anniversary of his ownership
of a Ford car, which he will drive to
the Michigan city. The Kansas pur-
chased the car in 1912, after an ex-
change of letters with the manufac-
turer, who invited him to come to
Detroit for a celebration when the
car reached an age of 20 years.
"Henry Ford said he would show us
the town," Kersey said, "and we
are going to give him a chance."

CLAIM AGENT HERE

William A. Bramberry, of Norfolk,
chief claim agent of the Seaboard
Air Line Railway, was in town Fri-
day and Saturday in connection
with the train-auto wreck near
Warren Plains Friday morning
which resulted with one negro be-
ing killed and another injured.

SHADY GROVE ITEMS

Miss Lucile Tharrington has re-
turned home after spending a few
days with her sister, Mrs. R. D.
Cheek, at Macon.

Rev. and Mrs. R. E. Nelson and
the Rev. Mr. Truelove were supper
guests in the home of Mrs. R. S.
Powell Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Williams of
New York were callers in the home
of Mrs. B. G. Tharrington Thurs-
day.

Mrs. R. S. Powell spent Sunday
with her mother, Mrs. Wiley
Fridgen of Creek.

Misses Pattie Florence Edwards
and Ida Leonard and Mr. William
King called in the home of Miss
Lucile Tharrington Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Alton Fridgen of
Creek called on Mrs. R. S. Powell
Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Barnest and
Mrs. J. B. Williams and children
were visitors in the home of Mrs.
B. G. Tharrington Friday night.

PERSONAL MENTION

Capt. L. C. Kinsey returned Sun-
day from Camp Jackson where he
has been in training with other
members of the Officers' Reserve
Corps.

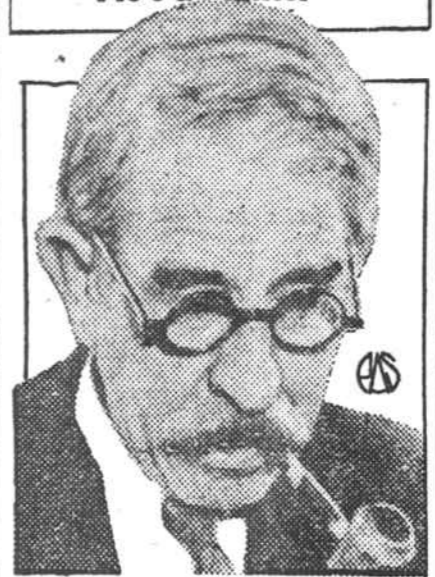
Miss Tempe Boyd is spending a
few days at Chapel Hill, the guest
of Mrs. Albert Coates.

Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Gregory and
children of Richmond are expected
Saturday for a visit in the home of
Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Jackson.

Mr. Forrest Fridgen of Chapel
Hill is visiting his parents, Mr. and
Mrs. W. H. Fridgen, at Creek this
week.

Mr. Frank Brown Allen was a
visitor in Windsor this week.

He's a Fighter



"Alfalfa Bill" Murray, Governor
of Oklahoma, jumps to fame by shut-
ting down oil wells to prevent over-
production and making interstate toll
bridges free.

Says Mother Of Lee Remained In Coffin Three Days

APPOMATOX, Aug. 19.—At a
recent meeting of the U. D. C. held
at the high school dormitory Mrs.
N. A. Wagers, who while addressing
the meeting on the life of the Lee
family brought forth some inter-
esting unprinted history connected
with the life of the mother of Gen-
eral Robert E. Lee, whom she de-
clares was dead for 7 days and her
corpse laid to rest in the mauso-
leum at Stratford, and this happen-
ed 15 months before the son, Robert
E. Lee was born.

Mrs. Wagers offers as her proof
some papers she found in the per-
sonal scrap book of her father, Sen-
ator S. L. Ferguson, which she pro-
duced as proof of the fact and from
which she made the following ex-
tract:

"Robert E. Lee was born fifteen
months after his mother had been
buried. Mrs. Lee lay dead for seven
days, three of them spent in her
coffin in the private mausoleum of
the Lee family at Stratford on the
Potomac river. It was only by ac-
cident that she was discovered alive,
yet she was resuscitated—and re-
stored to health and lived 21 years
longer in just as good health as she
formerly enjoyed."

"While it is strange story about
a member of one of the most fam-
ous families in all America, and
the fact is not disclosed in history,
it is unquestionable authentic. There
is a record of it in Tebb and Vollum
in the Library of Surgeon General,
Army Medical Museum, Washing-
ton, D. C., and Mrs. Charles H.
Stuart, mother of the present mas-
ter of Stratford Hall knows the
story. Ann Lee was the daughter of
Charles Carter of Powhatan. Her
first husband was a cousin named
Carter. When he died she married
"Light Horse Harry Lee," the dash-
ing cavalry leader of the Revolu-
tion. Light Horse Harry Lee's wife
was in very poor health for a long
time before 1805 says Col. Warfield
Lee. She was subject to some sort
of fainting spells. Physicians did
not understand the cause nor were
they able to find a cure. There were
four doctors present at her bedside
when she died in October 1805, and
all of them agreed of course that
she was dead. For four days, she
lay in state in the Lee mansion in
a coffin with a glass lid over the
casket. Then the casket was re-
moved to the Lee mausoleum which
was then a staunch brick structure
splendid in its simplicity.

In the center was a circular stair-
way from the level of the ground
and in three tiers were coffins
which held the remains of seven
generations of the Lees."

"There was a constant stream of
mourners in and out of the Maus-
oleum and all gazed at the face of
the dead woman but no one detect-
ed signs of life. On the seventh day,
the old sexton arrived to sweep up
and also to bring belated floral of-
fering which had just arrived. As
he swept, the old man imagined he
heard a far off voice calling "help,
help." It seemed to cry but so weak
was the voice that the sexton felt
sure he was imagining. Again he
heard the faint cry, but so clearly
that his courage deserted him and
he fled. Outside in the sun light,
he laughed at his own fears. "There
was nobody who could have called,"
he realized. So he returned to his
sweeping. He took up the flowers
and began to strew them on the
lid of the coffin in which lay the
body of Mrs. Lee. "Help, help, help."
Again he heard the faint voice. The
sexton looked down and staring at
the face of the dead woman saw
the lips quiver and her eye lids
struggle. Frightened though he was,
the old man retained enough sense
to remove the lid before he went
for help. Mrs. Lee was taken to the
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WARREN COUNTY HAS NO CORONER

Edward Petar, Elected to Of-
fice in 1930 Has Never
Given Required Bond

A MATTER OF PRINCIPLE

Due to the question of bond, War-
ren county has been without a regu-
lar coroner since the election of
county officials in November, 1930,
when Ed Petar was elected to this
office.

Two sudden deaths in this coun-
ty within past 60 days were re-
sponsible for uncovering the fact to
a number of citizens that this office
was vacant when Clerk of Court
John D. Newell had to swear Mr.
Petar into office as a special cor-
oner before he could act officially
in the Prescott-Bus accident, and
last week when the question arose
as to who should act in connection
with the death occurring from an
automobile-train wreck near War-
ren Plains. Following the accident
Friday the county attorney ruled
that it was not necessary to have a
coroner sworn into office to take
charge of the dead man's body at
the rail road crossing.

Mr. Petar never was sworn into
office as Warren county coroner on
account of the fact that he was
unwilling to pay for his bond when
the county was paying for the rest
of the bonds for officials elected by
the people. The amount of the bond
for coroner is \$20 a year or \$40 for
the two-year term for which he is
elected.

Mr. Petar said yesterday that he
appreciated the people electing him
to the office of coroner and that he
would like to serve in that capacity,
but he felt that he should not be
called upon to pay his bond if the
county was going to pay the bonds
of other officials. "It is not so much
the matter of the \$40.00 as it is
the principal of the thing," he said.

MISS BOYD HURT

Miss Lucy Boyd is recovering at
the home of her parents, Mr. and
Mrs. W. N. Boyd, from injuries to
one of her eyes. While attending
a house party at Rockingham she
accidentally struck her eye with a
tooth brush, causing painful injury.
Examination by a specialist re-
vealed that the injury was not as
serious as at first believed, but she
will have to wear closed glasses for
several weeks.

CALLED TO MARKET

John C. Burwell of Warrenton,
buyer for the Export Tobacco Co.,
left Wednesday for Dillon, S. C.,
where he was sent by his company
to buy tobacco on the market there
this season.

SON BORN

Mr. and Mrs. D. S. Browder an-
nounce the birth of a son, Doniphan
Saunders Jr., on Monday, August
17.

LITTLETON, ROUTE 5

Farmers have been busy curing
tobacco and some have begun sav-
ing their fodder.

The revival meeting at Grove
Memorial closed Sunday night. Rev.
J. R. Phipps was assisted by the
Rev. Mr. Landrum of Kenly. He
preached some very instructive and
impressive sermons and we believe
all who heard him were spiritually
benefited.

Miss Belle Shearin and guest Miss
Mary Ida Hardy of Rocky Mount,
visited relatives in Durham last
week.

Mr. T. S. Walker and family of
Inez spent last week in the home
of Mrs. Wallie Hardy.

Mr. Milton Woodlief after spend-
ing some time with relatives on
this route returned to his home in
Henderson Saturday.

Mr. Joe Pitchford and son, Allen,
of Jensen, Fla. were visitors in the
home of Mr. J. V. Shearin Monday.

Among the visitors in the home
of Mr. R. H. Pike Sunday were Mrs.
Pattie Wilson and sons, of Chase
City, Va., Misses Mabel and Almada
Ellington, of Henderson and Mrs.
Dan Shearin and children of
Vaughan.

Mr. Robert Boone is visiting rela-
tives in Portsmouth, Va., this week.

Mr. and Mrs. S. G. Marety of
Durham and Mr. and Mrs. J. Ed-
win Stansbury of Littleton were
week end visitors in the home of
their parents Mr. and Mrs. J. V.
Shearin.

Miss Annie Perkinson who has
been visiting Mrs. W. N. Bennett
was accompanied home Tuesday by
Miss Ollen Pike.

Mr. Eugene Odom and family of
Warrenton were visitors in the
home of Mrs. J. B. Pittard Sun-
day.