

Superior Court To Convene on Monday

Criminal Docket Is Light, But Variety of Cases Is Expected to Bring Many Warren Citizens to Court House; Prescott Case Is Expected to Hold Interest

JUDGE W. C. HARRIS OF RALEIGH TO PRESIDE

September term of Warren Superior court will convene here Monday morning at 10 o'clock with Judge W. C. Harris of Raleigh presiding. Although the criminal docket is comparatively light, it is expected that charges of attempted assault, manslaughter, assault, forgery, larceny and perjury will draw many citizens to the court room during the week.

This term of court will be the first time that Judge Harris has presided over court in Warren county. Having for years been judge of the City Police court in Raleigh and several years as Superior court judge from the Seventh Judicial district, Judge Harris comes to this district with the reputation of being foremost among the State's criminal court jurists.

The case of the State against George R. Prescott, Warrenton man, charged with manslaughter, and the case of the State against Robert Jenkins, Norlina negro, charged with assault and attempted rape on Mrs. L. E. Erwin, white woman of Norlina, are expected to cause wide interest.

Mrs. Erwin was attacked by a negro on Tuesday morning, Sept. 15, about 7 o'clock while she was in the yard near her home at Norlina. She later identified Jenkins as her assailant.

Mr. Prescott was driving the Chevrolet coupe that crashed into a bus at the jail corner on the morning of July 4th and caused the death of Harvey Weldon of Norlina and brought injuries to five other people. Those injured were Billie Lanier, employee of the W. A. Miles Hardware Co., riding in the Chevrolet, a broken shoulder; Walter Harris, Warrenton, in the Chevrolet, internal injuries; Mrs. W. H. Harrison, Jackson passenger on the bus, cut about the head and on leg; D. D. Rowe, Portsmouth, on the bus, cut about head and shoulder; M. Fox, Oxford, bus passenger, broken arm.

Teachers And Scouts To Play Basket Ball

Teachers of the John Graham high school will romp across the floor of the armory on Friday night at 8 o'clock when they will contest the Girl Scouts in a basket ball game. Proceeds are for the benefit of the athletic association.

To Launch Campaign To Help Unemployed

RALEIGH, Sept. 17.—North Carolina's campaign to provide relief for the State's unemployed during the winter months will be launched Friday at a conference called by Governor O. Max Gardner.

Leaders of the State in agriculture, textiles, business and industry have been called to meet with W. Henninger, designated by Governor Gardner as executive secretary of the committee on relief for the unemployed.

A permanent organization is expected to be formulated and a definite campaign to raise funds to provide relief outlined. Frank Grist, commissioner of labor, will present the results of a survey of unemployment in his department has made. Grist recently said he believed unemployment conditions in the State this year were worse than last fall.

MEMBERS ON COURT SQUARE
Members of the Macon Missionary society will serve lunch on the court square on Tuesday. Proceeds from the meal will go to the benefit of the Macon church.

COUNTY RECORDS ARE DESTROYED

Thrown on Thrash Pile To Make More Office Room In Court House

CITIZENS SEARCH PILE

Records tracing the activities of early citizens of this section as depicted in their public actions, moved from the old Bute County Court House and later from the old court house at Warrenton when the present building was built with funds derived from tax on the sale of whiskey, carefully kept by public officials for more than one hundred and sixty years, were this week thrown on the thrash pile to provide more office room in the court house.

Interesting history dating back before the Revolutionary war came into the possession of a number of citizens of Warrenton on Monday as they eagerly searched the pile of old books and records that had been thrown from an upstairs window of the court house to be carted away to the thrash pile.

It is not known what various books picked up by individuals contained but among the things that have come to light is a document of records and judgments written before the Revolution war in which the amount of fines to be paid are spoken of in terms of pounds and shillings. In the back of the same book was given the boundaries of St. John's Parish, which was located on the lawn of Jones' Springs, and the contributors to its support. St. John's was the Established Church and it was the duty of church vestrymen to see that it was receiving the support of all tax payers.

Another interesting relic of the old days picked up was Branson's directory, dated 1877-78, and containing the names of farmers, the county physicians, merchants, manufacturing industries and county officials. The record of the beginning of the Warrenton railroad was picked up by one of the scrap pile searchers and turned over to C. R. Rodwell.

Desire for more space in the court house was responsible for these books and records being thrown away. Miss Lucy I. Leach, county welfare officer, appeared before the board of county commissioners at their last regular session and asked if arrangements could not be made whereby she would have more room for carrying on her welfare work, suggesting that the old books in her present office be removed to some other place. After it had been pointed out that most of the books were obsolete law books and old tax receipts, the commissioners told Miss Leach that they would endeavor to give her more space by having some one to go over the old books and papers and separate the valuable from the invaluable, and destroy those which were no good.

Warrenton Gridmen Plays Norlina Today

Warrenton and Norlina will play football this afternoon. The game will be played on the Norlina field and is scheduled to begin at 3:45 o'clock.

The match between the local boys and Rich Square played on the Warrenton field last Friday afternoon ended in a 7-7 tie. The game was hard fought and interesting throughout, spectators said.

Chinese Execute Bandits As Crowds Look On

PIEPIING, CHINA.—Bandits captured in Tatungfu, northern Shansi, have served as a gory object lesson for their comrades still at large.

Six were captured by Tatung police in a robbery. They were taken to the center of the city while thousands watched old-fashioned executioners chopped off their heads. The executioners have had little practice recently and took some time for the executions.

MISS POWELL ILL

Miss Carolina Powell is in Rex hospital at Raleigh, having undergone an operation for appendicitis and complications. Her condition though grave is considered hopeful. Miss Powell, a teacher of science in the High School at Salisbury spent the summer here at home with her parents near Warrenton. Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Powell. She had resumed her work at Salisbury only a week before she was taken sick. Her mother and sister, Mrs. Brantley are with her.

Bids On Warren Prison Camp May Be Called Monday

Bids for the construction of Warren county's prison camp, as well as five others in the State, will probably be called for on Monday, State Highway Commissioner E. B. Jefferson announced at a meeting of the highway body in Raleigh on Wednesday.

The cost of the camps will run around \$10,000 each, it was said, and local labor will be used as far as possible in their construction.

In addition to Warren, bids will be called for on camps in Duplin, Haywood, Cleveland, Catawba and Cabarrus counties.

A representative of the Carolina Power and Light Co., from Raleigh was in Warrenton Tuesday and together with District Engineer Joe Taylor a survey of the prison site recently purchased by the State Highway Commission was made in order to determine what equipment will be needed to properly light the prison camp soon to be constructed.

The camp site is located about 1-2 mile from the corporate limits of Warrenton back of the J. A. Dowtin home and contains 32 acres of land. The land is fertile, it was said, and it is planned to raise all vegetables required for the prisoners.

Twelve Hogsheads Of Tobacco Plunge Over Embankment

Twelve hogsheads of tobacco hit the creek and a corn field near the Boyce Motor Service Station No. 3 at the intersection of the Macon and Liberia roads on Wednesday morning when the trailer of a Corbitt truck encountered difficulty in making the bend at the bridge and lost its load. Neither the truck nor the trailer overturned, but the swerve of the road was responsible for eleven of the hogsheads landing in the creek and the twelfth one stopping in a corn field. The tobacco was removed later in the day.

The truck was enroute from Newport News to Durham. The story goes that the contract for hauling the tobacco had been granted a Robersonville transfer man by the American Tobacco Co., and that he had started his job with three trucks. One reached here without encountering any mishap, one lost part of its cargo in the creek and cornfield, and the third one tore down part of a service station between here and Weldon when the driver attempted to drive under for gasoline. The owner, called here from Robersonville by the driver, was in doubt as to whether the tobacco companies would be willing for him to complete his hauling contract, it was said.

Disappearance Of Willard G. Ellington Remains A Mystery

Mystery continues to shroud the disappearance of Willard Green Ellington, 30-year-old drug clerk of Rocky Mount, who has been missing since September 2. On that date he asked his employers for a day off to visit his relatives at Warrenton. He failed to reach here and efforts to locate him through newspapers, radio and police have been futile. His father, W. C. Ellington, said late this afternoon that he had not had a single clue in connection with the strange disappearance of his son. He believes that his son met with foul play when he attempted to hitch-hike his way from Rocky Mount to Warrenton.

Negro Babies Are Left On Door-Steps

Two negro babies have been found recently on the door-steps of negro homes in the county. This week a baby about three months old was found on the steps of Elizabeth Quinsberry, near the home of W. H. Riggan, and about two weeks ago a child about a month old was discovered at the home of a negro in the Box Mill neighborhood. One of these infants was adopted by Estelle Richardson and the other by Elizabeth Quinsberry.

NEGROES WRECK

John Hoodenoff, negro, is in the Jubilee hospital and Ralph Jefferson is under \$200 bond as the result of a wreck which occurred between the two negroes Sunday night in the Oine section. Jefferson was brought to Warrenton Sunday night about 12 o'clock by Sheriff W. J. Pinnell. The negroes will be given a hearing as soon as Hoodenoff returns from the hospital, it was said.

FARMERS MAKE TOUR OF COUNTY

Inspect Crops, Make Study Of Methods of Cultivation In South Warren

ENJOY BRUNSWICK STEW

By BOB BRIGHT
Agricultural Teacher

The farmers of this county are interested in farming and all enterprises connected with farming. This fact was borne out in the short field trip the following farmers attended on Thursday of last week: W. E. Thompson, Albert E. Bender, F. F. Limer, W. A. Connell Jr., R. C. Bender, H. W. Seaman, W. L. Kilian, C. R. Hecht, H. H. Hawks, W. S. Hecht, K. Kilian, R. S. Thompson, O. A. Brower, A. D. Harris, H. G. Limer, E. H. Pinnell, J. H. Hicks, S. G. Wilson, W. S. Smiley, J. C. Brower, David Limer, R. L. Yancy, Albert G. Bender, Jermain Walker, Sid Shearin, H. C. Weaver, S. L. Overby, Stuart Wilson, Boyd Wilson, Vincent Allen, R. K. Carroll, Frank Davis, H. G. Williams, Will Harris and Geo. Frazier.

The purpose of the field trip was to study the various fertilizer test in the county as well as the different methods of farming practiced by the different farmers in this county. Mr. J. G. Gray, State manager for The Chilean Nitrate Co., attended the meeting and also donated prizes for the guessing contest. This contest was based on the different yields of cotton where Nitrate of Soda had been applied and on adjoining plots that did not have a side dressing of nitrates. The person guessing nearest the actual yield will be awarded a \$3.00 prize in cash and the person guessing second closest will receive a cash prize of \$2.00.

At this time I wish to thank Mr. George R. Frazier for the planning and suggestions as well as the work he did in putting over the field trip. Mr. Frazier also served very good Brunswick Stew.

Hunter Pinnell succeeded in breaking the kodak, after some one asked him to get behind somebody so as to make it possible for a picture to be made. Mr. Pinnell declined the request and the result was a broken kodak. The kodak belonged to Mr. J. Edward Allen and I advised him to present Mr. Pinnell with a bill for the damages. The statement above is a joke, for all of those that were not able to be with us on the trip.

Mr. Charley Rodwell and Kasper Kilian furnished the amusement for the evening and it was thoroughly enjoyed by all. Mr. Rodwell was the only business man that attended and he said that, "there was too much walking in this kind of business for him."

The crowd gathered at the home of Hunter Pinnell and from Pinnell's field, where we observed the difference in the cotton that had been side dressed with Nitrate of Soda and the cotton without side dressing, we journeyed to David Limer's, here the crowd was astonished at the cotton that fertilizer alone had been under. Mr. F. F. Limer entertained us next, and let me tell you when he entertains he is sure that everybody has a walking good time. The crops on Mr. Francis Limer's place were good and especially is this true of the corn, which he has bred up by selecting his seed corn in the field. At least 90 per cent of the stalks had two ears of corn on them and this was accomplished by selecting the two eared stalks in the field for a number of years.

The next stop was at the cotton field of Mr. R. E. Limer and this field of cotton was even better than the others and the amount of fertilizer used per acre was less than 400 pounds. On over to Mr. John Limer's we went and inspected his cotton, which was very good.

The next hop was to the home of Harry Limer and here the spectators (Continued on page 8)

Landing Plane In Yard Of Sorority House Is Costly

TUCSON, Ariz.—Landing his airplane in the yard of a sorority house and making a date with one of the girls cost Alfred A. Hurgin, Nogales, aviator, \$25.

Hurgin insisted it was a forced landing, but John Dwyer, chief of police, heard about the date and declared the stunt was prearranged. He caused Hurgin's arrest under a city ordinance prohibiting the operation of motor vehicles without mufflers, and the flyer was fined \$25.

The aviator wanted to take off from the sorority house yard, but the chief made him have the plane hauled outside the city limits.

Tobacco Market To Open Next Tuesday

Doors of Three Warehouses to Swing Open to Handle The Golden Weed; Addition Adds Note of Optimism To The Outlook for Warrenton Market

LEADING COMPANIES ARE REPRESENTED HERE

For the first time in four years, the doors of three warehouses here will swing wide on Tuesday morning when the middle belt tobacco season opens and the first of the 1931 crop begins to roll into the market at Warrenton. The addition of another warehouse has lent a note of

1,000 Gallons of Tar Wasted When Drain Pipes Are Opened

Around 1000 gallons of tar was wasted last Saturday night or Sunday night when an unknown person or persons unfastened two drain pipes on the tar tank of the Bituminous Earthroad Corporation, road repairing concern of Raleigh here working on the Warrenton streets. The road truck was located near the Carolina Box and Lumber Co., in North Warrenton when the tar was drained on the ground. The loss was discovered when the road force went to work Monday morning. The tar was valued at around 10c or 15c per gallon.

Only Two Cases Heard By Judge Taylor Monday

Recorder W. W. Taylor held a comparatively brief court on Monday morning when only two cases were presented before him for trial. The case against Hillmon Reavis, Warrenton negro under bond on a whiskey charge, was continued until the first Monday in October when he will be tried by a jury.

A charge of assault and disorderly conduct growing out of a disturbance that occurred last Friday afternoon when Warrenton and Rick Square played football was responsible for Jack Carter, white boy of Norlina, being fined \$10 and costs and receiving a six months suspended sentence. He is to appear before Judge Taylor the first Monday in November and the first Monday in January to prove good behavior.

Tom Russell, negro charged with assault on a female, was fined \$5 and court costs.

PERSONAL MENTION

Pett Boyd returned Saturday from Loris, S. C., where he was called the first of last week to assist M. C. McGuire, Warrenton tobaccoist on the South Carolina market, with his book work.

W. H. Rogers, district highway engineer, of Raleigh was in Warrenton on Wednesday.

Mr. Walter Allen of Axtelle was in town this week.

Mr. Z. M. Newman of Norlina was a visitor here this week.

Mr. Pett Boyd and Miss Tempe Boyd, accompanied Mr. Randolph Boyd to the Stuart Home Training School at Frankfort, Ky., yesterday morning. They are expected to return Sunday.

Mr. James E. Robinson of Lynchburg, Va., who is recovering from a recent illness, is spending several weeks with his sister, Mrs. Sol Fishel of Vaughan.

Mr. Jack Scott returned this week from Wilkes-Barre, Pa., where he has been playing ball.

Mr. A. Yancey Kerr of Yanceyville has been a guest of his brother, Congressman John H. Kerr.

Mr. Edward Tucker of Manson was in town yesterday.

Mrs. R. Hunt Parker of Roanoke Rapids spent Monday and Tuesday here with the Misses Rie and Laura Alston. Solicitor Parker was a guest in the Alston home on Tuesday night.

Mr. Mark Williams of Rocky Mount was in town Wednesday.

Miss Mary Hinton Duke of Richmond has returned after a visit in the home of Congressman and Mrs. John H. Kerr.

Mr. Buck Green of Durham was in town yesterday.

Mr. William Dameron has gone to Duke University, Durham, where he will attend school this year.

Mr. Tom Holt is attending Carolina.

Mrs. Loyd Kinsey and children were visitors at Henderson on Monday.

Mr. Carlos Lowrance of Enfield was a guest in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Howard F. Jones the past week end.

Mr. Frank O'Neil of Henderson was a visitor at Warrenton Sunday night.

optimist to the outlook for the Warrenton market. Not only is it felt that there will be a big gain in the number of pounds of tobacco sold here but it is also believed that the competition that will result from buyers bidding on three floors will further assure farmers that the top market price for their produce will be paid here.

Two of the three warehouses will be under new management.

Farmers, better known as Tarwater's warehouse, will be operated by Branch Bobbitt under the name of Farmers Brick Warehouse. Centre, also known as Rogers and Hunter, will be under the management of Charlie Hicks of Henderson. R. K. Carroll, successful tobacco farmer, and owner, will be associated with Mr. Hicks in the operation of the Centre Warehouse.

Mr. Bobbitt, who comes to Warrenton from Greenville, is a native of the Palmer Springs section. He served 15 years with the Export Tobacco Company in China and for the past few years has been associated with a large tobacco company in Greenville.

Mr. Hicks, who comes to Warrenton from Henderson, was at one time manager of the Co-operative Warehouse at Norlina and several years ago was associated with his brother in the operation of the Union Warehouse at Henderson. Mr. Carroll, who bought the Centre Warehouse in March of this year, has for many years been a grower of high type tobacco in the Warren Plains section.

Boyd's Warehouse will again be operated by W. N. Boyd and J. E. Rooker Sr. This warehouse has been operated for 45 years at Warrenton, by W. B. Boyd until his death several years ago, and since that time by his nephew, W. N. Boyd. Mr. Rooker has been associated with this warehouse practically over the entire period.

Centre Warehouse operated by W. G. Rogers, first as Rogers & Burwell and later as Rogers & Hunter, for more than a quarter of a century, was sold at public auction early this year as the result of business reverses suffered by Mr. Rogers. Mr. Carroll bought the warehouse property at that time.

Tarwater's Warehouse, at one time operated by Tarwater Brothers, had been operated for nearly a quarter of a century by J. J. Tarwater at the time he closed his business in 1927. Since that time he has been buying tobacco on the local market and using his warehouse as a prize house and storage house.

The following buyers will be on the Warrenton market this year: Dick Boyd, Export; Pete Reavos, Liggett & Meyers; M. C. McGuire, American; A. V. Lawson, Imperial; W. B. Massenburg, Independents; John Tarwater, Reynolds.

John Hill Hicks of Henderson will again auctioneer tobacco here this year.

Mrs. Arthur Reavis Bitten By Moccasin

Reaching down to pull up weeds, Mrs. Arthur Reavis of the Afton-Eiberson section was bit twice on the arm by a highland moccasin last week. She has recovered from the poison injected by the snake, it was said.

P. D. JONES HURT

P. D. Jones, nephew of Howard F. Jones and student of John Graham high school, received several slight cuts on his head and face on Wednesday morning when he shoved the bottom part of a revolving window at the school building and the upper section of the window came down over his head and face.

HUNTERS MOVES

Dr. Frank P. Hunter and Mrs. Hunter have moved into the Winston residence in South Warrenton, now occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Julius Banzet. Mr. and Mrs. Banzet will remain until their residence in North Warrenton is completed. Mr. and Mrs. William Polk will move into the residence vacated by Dr. and Mrs. Hunter.