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EXERCISES HELD HERE TONIGHT

Grammar Grades To Present Operetta; Graduation Program On Monday

SERMON SUNDAY NIGHT

Parents and friends of the John Graham high school will gather in the school auditorium tonight at 8 o'clock to witness an operetta, "The Madcaps," presented by members of the grammar grades as part of the closing exercises of the school. Seventh grade certificates of promotion will be presented during the evening by Superintendent of Schools J. Edward Allen.

The first entertainment of the closing exercises, which will extend through April 25, was held on Wednesday night when the pupils of Miss Lillie Belle Dameron gave a musical recital.

Dr. F. S. Hickman of Duke University will deliver the commencement sermon on Sunday evening at 8 o'clock in the school auditorium. Graduation exercises will be held Monday night, April 25. Prof. M. A. Huggins of Meredith will deliver the commencement address.

Registrars And Judges of Election Are Appointed

Registrars and judges of election for the thirteen voting precincts in Warren county were named as follows at a meeting of the county board of elections held in the court house on Saturday, April 16:

River—Frank Rainey, Reg., C. E. Foster, Jim Johnson.

Six Pounds—W. W. Haithcock, Reg., Charlie Burrow, J. W. Shearin.

Hawtree—J. W. King, Reg., Henry Thompson, Jr., G. E. Stegall.

Smith Creek—A. G. Hayes, Reg., J. P. Gooch, Ernest Paschall.

Nutbush—John Wilson, Jr., Reg., Maurice Fleming, Bud Paschall.

Sandy Creek—W. E. Turner, Reg., Willie Bobbitt, Ed Short.

Warren, East Side—W. K. Falkner, Reg., Frank Serls, Sr., W. R. Markland.

Shocco—Francis Limer, Reg., J. W. Burroughs, J. B. Davis.

Fishing Creek—Bob Pittman, Reg., E. H. Neal, Willie Robertson.

Judkins—H. O. Fishel, Reg., Jesse Shearin, Hal Bobbitt.

Warrenton, West Side—Roy G. Daniel, Reg., J. Edward Rocker, Jr., J. C. Moore.

Fork—W. E. Davis, Reg., Sam King, Ed Faulk Alston.

Roanoke—H. L. Wall, Reg., L. W. Kidd, J. W. Read.

Norlina—T. T. Hawks, Reg., W. L. Hundley, J. F. White.

The Warren county board of elections is composed of C. F. Mosely, chairman, Claude Haithcock, secretary, and W. J. Bishop, the republican member. These men were appointed to serve in this capacity at a meeting of the State board of elections held in Raleigh on March 8.

Warrenton Golfers Lose To Henderson

Henderson golfers drove down Wednesday afternoon and trimmed the local clubbers by the score of 21-26 in the first game of the six-town golf tournament which embraces Warrenton, South Hill, Wake Forest, Henderson, Roanoke Rapids and Louisburg.

The weather was right and "a good time was had by all," according to a number of reports drifting back to Warrenton from the field of battle, but the visitors just outplayed the locals.

From now on the local golf enthusiasts will be playing on the Warrenton course and on foreign soil, and at the end of the tournament the town that emerges victor will be presented a silver cup. The cup was won last season by Warrenton, and at present is on display at the Hunter Drug Co.

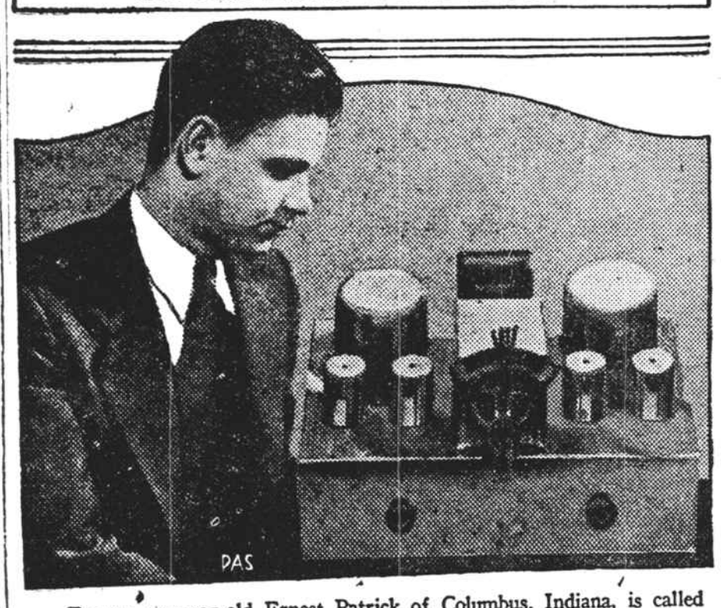
Although Wednesday afternoon was the first match of the tournament, the Warrenton boys went in for a little preliminary work last week when they invited the golfers from South Boston over and romped over them by a score of 42 1-2 to 11 1-2.

The next match for Warrenton is scheduled for Wednesday afternoon when the home team is to journey over into Virginia and play clubs against South Hill.

MISSIONARY UNION TO MEET

The Warren-Halifax Woman's Missionary Union will meet at the Sandy Creek Baptist Church on Sunday afternoon, April 24th, at 3 o'clock. Mrs. Peter Davis announced.

Invents Radio Without Tubes



Twenty-one-year-old Ernest Patrick of Columbus, Indiana, is called the "Boy Edison." He has invented a way of picking up radio broadcasts without using tubes, which engineers say will revolutionize the industry.

John A. Dowtin, C. C. Hunter, N. H. Paschall And J. P. T. Harris Join List Of Candidates; Rumors Are Growing

John A. Dowtin, C. C. Hunter, N. H. Paschall and J. P. T. Harris this week joined the growing list of candidates that is seeking the support of the Democratic voters of Warren county in the primary of June 4, and indications are that other citizens will announce their candidacy within the next few days.

Rumors that Mr. Dowtin, for years a well known figure in the political life of Warren county, would enter the race for the House of Representatives were confirmed on Tuesday when he gave notice to this newspaper that he would be a candidate. Others seeking this office are John S. Davis of Creek and T. O. Rodwell of Warrenton. All three candidates have seen service in the General Assembly.

C. C. Hunter, for years in the tobacco business at Warrenton, is the first citizen of the county to announce for member of the board of county commissioners. In seeking this office the Warrenton man is turning toward a field where he has seen years of service. Appointed a member of the board of county commissioners to succeed W. G. Rogers in July 1909, Mr. Hunter served on the board until January 1, 1923, when he tendered his resignation and was succeeded by Clyde E. Rodwell. During the last two terms of office Mr. Hunter served as chairman of the board.

While it is understood that all the present members of the board of commissioners will seek re-election, Commissioner John L. Skinner is the only member who has made official announcement of his intentions to run.

N. H. Paschall of Nutbush and J. P. T. Harris of Vaughan this week gave public notice that they wanted to serve on the board of education. Rumor has it that all the present members of this board will seek re-election, but notice of candidacy has not been received.

Joseph C. Powell, present incumbent of the office of Register of Deeds, yesterday afternoon announced that he is seeking re-election. Opposing him for this office are Tom Gardner and Eugene T. Odom, both of Warrenton.

Rumors of candidacies, of cliques, and ring-within-rings are becoming more audible and indications are that Warren county is going to witness a hot political fight.

Joseph J. Macon Dies In Portsmouth Hospital Wednesday

Joseph J. Macon was buried in Fairview cemetery yesterday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. He died in the Naval hospital Wednesday morning at 11 o'clock from heart trouble at the age of 39 years.

The body of Mr. Macon arrived at Norlina yesterday shortly after 2 o'clock from Portsmouth and was carried to Fairview where the funeral services were conducted by the Rev. B. N. de FoeWagner, the Rev. H. C. Durham, and the Rev. R. E. Brickhouse.

Pallbearers were James Polk, James Boyce, Dr. W. D. Rodgers, Macon Thornton, Harry Fishel, Weldon Hall, Spencer Scott, Lawrence Robertson, Joseph C. Powell, and C. M. Ford.

Mr. Macon had been in the Naval hospital at Portsmouth for several weeks when death came. While serving overseas during the World War he underwent an operation and had not been well since his return to this country. For the past several years he had spent a great deal of time in government hospitals.

Mr. Macon was a member of old Company H of Warrenton. He left here the 25th of May, 1918, for Camp Jackson at Columbia, S. C. He was assigned to F. Company, 320th infantry, at Camp Severe, Greenville, S. C., and went from there to New York where he sailed the first day of August for Liverpool, England. At Liverpool he was transferred to the 42 division.

After the Armistice Mr. Macon returned to his home at Warrenton and sold insurance here and over the county for several years. He went from here to a government hospital in Washington, D. C.

The deceased is survived by one brother, Dr. G. H. Macon of Warrenton.

MRS. KERR IS HONORED

The Society editor of The Evening Star's Sunday edition selected Mrs. John H. Kerr as one of the outstanding ladies of the Congressional set. Her picture adorns top right hand column of the Society page, Sunday's edition.

April 29 Last Day To File Applications Government Loans

Friday, April 29, will be the last day for making application for seed loans, Bob Bright, one of those in charge of handling the loans for Warren county, stated yesterday. Mr. Bright said that the applications had to be in Washington by May 1, and that it would require a day for the local committee to get them to Washington.

Around 1400 farmers in Warren county have applied to the government for money to raise their 1932 crop this year. The applications are checked over by a local committee and sent to headquarters at Washington where they are again checked. Most of the loans have been approved, and a comparatively small number of them have been sent back to Warren county on account of improper treatment by the local committees in charge.

The loans have averaged around $125 each, which means that the government has placed around $175,000 in the hands of Warren county farmers. This money is granted for the purchase of seed, fertilizer, spraying equipment, and feed for livestock. The loans bear 5 1-2 per cent interest and are to be paid back in the fall. They are secured by notes with a mortgage on the crop as collateral.

Macon News

Mrs. J. T. Bell, Misses Katherine Baxter, Daphne Person and Clara Fleming Pope were in Warrenton Wednesday afternoon on business.

Mrs. Harry Kenyon entertained the Literary club in her home on Tuesday evening.

Miss "Dot" Parker spent Wednesday and Thursday in Warrenton.

Mrs. W. T. Person is visiting relatives at Bracey, Va.

Messrs. Walter Shaw and Wiley Coleman went to Emporia Wednesday on business.

Mrs. Edward Bullock and daughter, Ann, of Goldsboro are spending some time with Mrs. Bullock's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Brame.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S Price of Henderson were guests of Mrs. F. M. Drake last Sunday.

VACATION IS JUST AROUND CORNER

Warren Schools Ending Work For 1931-32 Session; Programs Under Way

DREWRY LAST TO CLOSE

Vacation is just around the corner for the more than 2,000 pupils embraced in the Warren county school system with Warrenton and Littleton holding final exercises on Monday night and other schools closing during that week and the week following. The last school will end its work on May 9 when Drewry holds its closing exercises.

Musical recitals were held at Warrenton and Littleton schools on Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock. Last night the grammar grade pupils presented a program at the Littleton school auditorium.

Tonight the grammar grades will present an operetta at the John Graham school auditorium at 8 o'clock. At the same time class day exercises will be held at the Littleton school.

Commencement sermons will be delivered on Sunday morning at 11 o'clock at Littleton, Afton-Elberon, Wise and Norlina, and on Sunday night at 8 o'clock at Warrenton. The Rev. Warren W. Way of St. Mary's will be at Littleton auditorium: Dr. H. E. Spence of Duke University at the Afton-Elberon M. E. church; the Rev. F. G. Walker of Castalia at the Wise Baptist church; Dr. Elbert Russell of Duke University at the Norlina school auditorium; and Dr. F. S. Hickman at the John Graham school auditorium.

Graduation exercises will be held at Littleton and Warrenton on Monday night with Carl Goerch of Washington, N. C., delivering the commencement address at Littleton and Prof. M. A. Huggins as speaker at Warrenton. On the same night grammar grade programs will be presented at Norlina and at Afton-Elberon.

Class day exercises will be held at Norlina school auditorium on Tuesday night at 8 o'clock when seventh grade certificates of promotion will be presented by Supt. J. Edward Allen. Graduation exercises will be held on the following night when Prof. M. A. Huggins of Meredith College will deliver the commencement address.

On Thursday night, April 28, Supt. J. Edward Allen will present seventh and 9th grade certificates to members of the Afton-Elberon school and the Rev. D. E. Earhardt will deliver the commencement address. On the same night pupils of Miss Lillie Belle Dameron will present a musical at the Wise school.

The elementary grades of the Macon school will present an operetta on Friday night of next week. On the same night the Wise school will hold its seventh grade program when Supt. Allen will present certificates of promotion.

Dr. L. E. M. Freeman of Meredith College will deliver the commencement sermon at Macon on the following Sunday, May 1. The following night the Macon school will hold class day exercises with graduation exercises on Tuesday night, May 2, when Supt. Allen will present diplomas to members of the graduating class.

Limer Post Goes On Record In Favor Of Bonus Payment

Limer Post, American Legion, went on record Monday night as favoring immediate cash payment of the bonus. The vote was 9-17.

The vote was taken after the regular business of the post was disposed of and following a lively discussion of the question by several of the members.

Series of Services At Methodist Church

Beginning Monday night following first Sunday in May and running through second Sunday, a series of revival services will be held at the Methodist church here. Rev. J. Furman Herbert, of Roxboro, and one of the outstanding preachers of the North Carolina Conference, will do the preaching. Morning and evening services will be held, and before the morning services each day the pastor will conduct a class for children, evangelistic and educational in nature. The public is invited to unite with the Methodist in the work.

There will be no services at the Methodist church Sunday night due to the fact that the commencement sermon will be delivered at the high school at that time.

Requisition Return Of Alleged Robber To Warren County

Requisition papers have been issued on Governor Pollard of Virginia by Governor O. Max Gardner of North Carolina for the return to Warren county of Edward Lee Hudson, now under arrest at Phoebus, Va., in connection with the robbery of Roy Davis' service station.

Hudson is alleged to have been with Roger Falkener on the night of March 1 when Mr. Davis' station was broken into and robbed of three shotguns, a radio, bathing suit, and a number of small items. Falkener was arrested for the crime several days ago after Mr. Davis' bathing suit was found in his room. His brother, Bennie Falkener, was arrested several days later when it was learned that he had pawned Mr. Davis' radio in the Raleigh Loan Office.

Although Sheriff Pinnell has had a suspicious eye cast on Hudson for some time, he had nothing tangible on which to make an arrest until Saturday afternoon when Roger Falkener broke the silence he had maintained since the crime and began talking.

In a lengthy confession at Roanoke Rapids Saturday Roger Falkener told Solicitor R. Hunt Parker that he broke into Mr. Davis' station but that he did not think that he should have to shoulder all the responsibility of the crime. The young man, who is about 22 years of age, said that he was at his home when Ed Hudson came over and invited him to go out with him to see what they could get. They robbed the service station that night, he said. Bennie Falkener was not implicated in the confession.

Falkener's confession may bring several more into the toils of the law in connection with a number of robberies committed here and elsewhere, it was said, but so far no one but Hudson has been arrested. He is under bail at Phoebus, Va., which is near Newport News.

Hudson is fighting extradition, but it is felt that the requisition papers will be honored by the Virginia governor.

Hudson is a Franklin county man, it was said, but has spent a number of years of his life roaming from place to place. He was convicted in Warren county Superior court several years ago for the robbery of Farber and Josephson of Littleton and served two years in prison.

Unemployment Is Discussed At Meet

Preventative measures for lifting the unemployed and parasites from the hands of charity were discussed among citizens from all sections of Warren with a member of Governor Gardner's Unemployment Council at the court house on Wednesday morning. The meeting was presided over by W. N. Boyd and led by a Mr. Henniger of Raleigh.

Mr. Henniger stated that neither the State nor Federal Government was able to care for the unfortunate and that each county would have to work out its own salvation. Following the Raleigh man's talk a number of suggestions for minimizing the county's unemployed were offered.

An offer to contribute five acres of land for a community garden was made by C. A. Tucker who stated that if each town and community would work out some plan for producing food and giving work that it would be a big help. Another suggestion was that the county home grow its own seed and a surplus to give to Miss Lucy Leach to be distributed to those over the county who were unable to buy.

Afton Women Hold Annual Banquet

The Afton Woman's club held its 11th annual banquet at the Junior Order Hall Friday night, April 15th, at 8 o'clock. The tables were beautifully decorated with spring flowers and candles. President Mrs. J. D. Dickerson gave the address of welcome.

Mr. J. W. Lime responded in behalf of the club members husbands and visitors. During the supper a humorous reading "Leap Years Husbands" was given by Mrs. H. M. Williams, also one of Edgar guests by Miss Sadie Limer. A number of amusing contests were carried out during the evening. Additional guests besides club members and husbands were Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Steuart, Misses Annabelle Roberts, Annette Folk, Alice King, Sadie Limer, Mr. R. E. Bright and Miss Belle Shearin and Mrs. W. Harrison. It was regreted that Rev. W. Harrison was unable to attend on account of illness.

Norlina-Wise Audit To Be Started May 4

Seek Farmers With Funds Tied Up In Bank of Warren

Farmers who borrowed money from the government last fall and made payments to Field Agent Thomas L. Hyder with funds deposited in the defunct Bank of Warren are asked to get in touch with Bob Bright, one of those handling the government loans this year. Mr. Bright said that the government wants a list of those who have their funds tied up in the bank.

Wise Man Held On White Slavery Charge

A warrant charging kidnapping has been changed to white slavery and Bob Fox, 33-year-old white man of near Wise, is being held under bond of $2500 until Tuesday when he will be turned over to Federal authorities for carrying a 16-year-old Norlina girl across the North Carolina line into Virginia.

The girl's parents notified Sheriff W. J. Pinnell that their daughter had been kidnapped last Friday and the law set out at once to apprehend the abductor. Investigation revealed that the girl had been going with Fox for some time and she was later found in Henderson. Fox was arrested by South Hill authorities and turned over to Sheriff Pinnell. He is a married man with two daughters.

According to the story told by the girl she was in love with Fox and Fox was in love with her. She knew that he was a married man, she said, but thought that he had gotten a divorce. She went with him voluntarily over into Virginia expecting to have her love rewarded with marriage, she said.

Drewry Items

Mr. Elwood Carroll of Yale University filled Mr. Braxton's last appointment. Mr. Carroll is very pleasantly remembered here as he preached in two series of services here in 1930 and 1931.

The Drewry and Palmer Springs baseball teams played at Drewry on Thursday, April 14. Palmer Springs beat the Drewry boys.

Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Walston, Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Walston and Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Arrington attended the funeral of Mr. Currin on Friday at Oxford.

Miss Helen Kimball of St. Lukes hospital, Richmond, Va., returned to her work on Sunday. She has been staying with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Kimball.

The friends of Miss Nena White, who has been quite sick, will be glad to know that she is recovering.

Mrs. J. K. Plummer of Middleburg was in Drewry Wednesday afternoon. She came in the interest of the move sponsored by the the P. T. A. to plant shrubs at the new school. It was so late before the grounds were leveled that it was decided to wait until fall to move the shrubbery from the old school site.

Mrs. W. W. Kimball is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Horace Robinson of Henderson.

Mrs. Emma Watkins of near Drewry spent several days of last week with Mrs. Frank Spain of Middleburg.

Mrs. Fleming Watkins was in Durham on Tuesday of last week.

Mr. R. T. Walston was in Richmond one day this week.

Misses Nancy White and Frances Boyd spent the week end with Miss Alice White.

Mr. and Mrs. J C. Sadler were in Warrenton on Saturday.

A large number of people from the Drewry community attended the musical comedy, "Oh Doctor" presented by the Senior class of Middleburg high school. It was quite a success. The cast and choruses were very good.

One Case Tried By Recorder Taylor

Recorder's court was in session for a brief period on Monday morning. There was only one defendant before Judge Taylor and he was not tried due to the fact that the charge he was facing was not in the jurisdiction of Recorder's court. The defendant was Ed Karr, negro, and he is to face trial in Superior court for setting fodder on fire.

Solicitor R. Hunt Parker of Roanoke Rapids was a visitor here yesterday afternoon.

Johnson Rules Districts Must Bear Cost; May Cause Increased Tax Rate

SKINNER MAKES MOTION

The audit of the Norlina and Wise special school districts covering a period of twelve years and costing $600 or more will begin on Wednesday, May 4, according to order of the board of county commissioners in special session at Warrenton on Thursday. This decision was made after hours of discussion.

The question of who is to pay the bill caused the hitch in the proceedings. Bob Paschall, representing Wise, and J. C. Hardy, representing Norlina, said they did not want the audit if the districts had to pay the cost. Chas. M. Johnson, Director of Local Government, in a letter to John Clay Powell, read to the board, stated that the cost of such audit would have to be paid by the districts.

In the event that these districts must pay for the audits, it will mean a 5 cent increase in their tax rate next year, Superintendent J. Edward Allen stated when asked the questioned by Commissioner John L. Skinner.

A motion by Commissioner Skinner that the audit be ordered and to be paid by the county or the districts, as shall be determined by authoritative official, and seconded by Commissioner Capps, struck a snag when Commissioner Fleming of Norlina and Commissioner Burroughs of Warrenton stated that taxpayers from these districts had told them they did not want such an audit if the cost had to be borne by the districts.

It was pointed out that charges of misappropriation and misuse of funds and talk of grand jury action had gone so far that in justic to Superintendent Allen and the board of education such audit should be held. Chairman Powell stated that he realized this fact but that inasmuch as the representatives of the citizens of the two districts had told them they did not want such audit and that they would resist payment by the districts, he felt it a shame to put any more tax on the citizens of these districts.

Stating that he did not believe taxpayers of the Norlina district wanted the books audited, if they had to pay for the same, Commissioner John H. Fleming cast his vote against Commissioner Skinner's motion.

Commissioner Burroughs requested that the County Attorney be asked to give his opinion as to who would have to bear the cost of the audits. Mr. Banzet held that the Norlina and Wise districts would be taxed with the cost, holding that it would not be fair for the county as a whole to pay for audit for a special district.

Commissioner Burroughs added his vote for the audit upon condition that action be delayed until after the first Monday in May in order that taxpayers might have an opportunity to make their position upon this matter clear to the board. Unless strong protest is raised by the taxpayers on the first Monday in May the audit will begin on Wednesday following.

The minute ordering the audit of the Norlina and Wise special school district books reads, "Motioned by Commissioner Skinner that the affairs of the Norlina special school district and bond account and the Wise special school district be audited; and that this audit shall be made from the beginning of the respective special tax levies or Norlina and Wise, or to such point that the authenticated disbursement vouchers can be located; that the auditor be requested to begin May 4, 1932." This motion was seconded by Commissioner Capps. Voting aye: Skinner, Capps, Burroughs. Nay: Fleming.

Director Johnson's letter advising that the audit should cover the entire term of Superintendent Allen and that the cost should be borne by the districts audited is as follows:

"Mr. J. C. Powell, Chairman,
Warren County Board of Commissioners, Inez, North Carlina.

"Dear Sir:

"In reply to your inquiry of some time ago in regard to audit of Wise and Norlina Special School Districts, it appears to me that under all the circumstances it would be wise to make this audit to cover the period in which Mr. Allen has been Superintendent of Public Instruction of Warren County.

"You understand that the expense of this audit will have to be borne by the districts. You can

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