

ELECTION TO BE HELD AT NORLINA

Propose Increased Levy To Provide Funds For Agricultural Teacher

BOARD ROUTES TRUCKS

Upon petition of more than 25 shareholders of the Norlina school district, as required by law, the Board of Education in regular session at Warrenton on Monday approved a special election for the district to determine whether or not a seven cent additional levy should be made. The purpose of the levy, it is understood, is to provide funds for the retention of the agricultural teacher in the Norlina district. Following this action by the board of education, the board of county commissioners ordered that the election be called for September 19. The petition was presented to the board by Harry W. Walker.

Routing of trucks and other transportation problems preparatory to the opening of schools the latter part of August occupied the major portion of the session of the board of education on Monday.

The board ordered that the Holston truck of the Halifax county school system be permitted to enter Warren county to transport to Holston pupils from the territory between Arcola and Hollister in the seven grades, the route permitted and approved being as follows: To enter at Old Bethlehem, to Arcola, thence down N. C. Route 41 to Hollister; or from Arcola by the Hamlet community to Hollister. This action supplemented action of July 4th permitting citizens between Hollister and Arcola to choose the school to which they would send their elementary pupils.

The board was asked to pass on truck routing and drivers in Fork township and the following action was had after extended discussion: The truck to start at Hugh Davis' residence and proceed to Warrenton as last year except to detour at Overby's residence for his daughter, this to be known as Creek truck; smaller truck to start at Old Shady Grove, then to Dalton Taylor's, carrying small children to Inez from Shady Grove, thence to Warrenton by Shady Grove and Clark's Bridge. Driver of Creek truck, Edwin Davis; of the other, to be known as Inez truck E. G. Hamm.

Tom Neal was chosen for driver of the Embro truck. Upon recommendation of the Churchill committee, Jesse Shearin was chosen driver of the Churchill truck. William Louis Fleming was chosen as adult driver of truck from R. P. Fleming's residence via old Brodie Postoffice, with detour to S. J. Pritchard residence, down 59 to destination, another truck to be used in Vicksburg neighborhood.

On motion it was resolved that the salary of student drivers be fixed at \$7.50 per month; of adult drivers, \$15 per month, unless otherwise specially provided in particular cases.

The board employed J. H. Gardner for 30 days and reserved the right to fill the repairman's place permanently for the year at the next regular meeting, fixing such wages as seem wise at that time. Chief Mechanic E. W. Shearin proposed to donate the use of the Black Service truck if tires are provided by the county, same being five tubes. The offer was accepted.

It was ordered that R. H. Bright, C. G. Lawrence and A. W. Parker be permitted the use of two trucks to transport agricultural students to summer encampment at White Lake, August 8 to 15, trucks to be returned in as good order as received, and to be handled under the personal supervision of the teachers at all times.

Certain colored patrons of three restaurants requested that the date of opening be postponed. Upon motion the date of opening as heretofore was not changed. Jack Alston and other colored people near Arcola requested to be allowed to continue the use of Ford T truck used last year. The matter was not settled.

The board ordered that \$25 be made available as needed for the purpose of digging a well at the primary school and putting piping in the same, it being understood that in addition arrangements would be made for the purchase of pipe and pump. On recommendation of W. W. Kimball for the Drewry company the following drivers of primary trucks were chosen: Erick Manson, Manson truck; John Benner, Paschall truck; W. W. Kimball (Continued on Page 8)

Warren County Asks \$30,000 From Federal Appropriation For Relief Work Among Destitute Citizens Of County

Warren county is asking for \$30,000 of the 300,000,000 recently appropriated by the Federal government for distribution among the States for local relief work, it was learned this week from Miss Lucy L. Leach, head of the county's welfare department.

Provided Warren's request meets with the approval of State authorities and the money is sent here, it is proposed to use \$15,000 for hospitalization of the sick and the other half for general relief work, Miss Leach said.

The amount of the welfare department's request was decided upon at a meeting of representatives of relief agencies in Warren county.

The \$15,000 asked for by the doctors will be used, it was said, for hospitalization, medicines, doctors' calls, tubercular patients and tonsillar cases. The remainder is to be used by the welfare officer in the purchase of food and clothing for destitutes in Warren.

In the event that the county's request is approved, the money will not be used as a dole, it was stated, but will be spent in relief for the afflicted and towards assisting those now dependent upon charity to become self-supporting. Only those who are willing to work and help themselves as much as they can will be aided.

Should this money be secured, it will be the first time that any sizable sum has been on hand to carry on welfare work along a broad scale. Although many of Warren's poor and unfortunate have been given food, clothing, treatment and work during the period of time the welfare agent has been employed in this county, the line of service has been checked by limited funds.

Warren county has no fund set aside for administering to the sick and needy. Until the beginning of this fiscal year, when the services (Continued on Page 8)

Attorneys Say Note Not Properly Before Board

The J. R. Paschall Company note presented for payment to the board of education at its regular July meeting is "not properly before the board for action of any kind at this time," according to decision of Polk & Gibbs, attorneys for the school board.

Mr. Paschall appeared before the board of education at Warrenton on the first Monday in July with a note in favor of J. R. Paschall Company in the sum of \$2341.70, dated March 23, 1908, signed by the board of trustees of the Wise Special Charter District. Mr. Paschall also presented a petition signed by J. R. Paschall, C. W. Cole, and A. J. Perkins asking that a sum to pay this note be included in the Wise school budget. Mr. Paschall was requested to lay the documents before attorneys for the board.

The note showed a credit on its back of \$44.75 on April 10, 1908, and on January 12, 1915, of \$10.

In returning their decision to the board on Monday, Polk and Gibbs wrote: "Pursuant to your recent request, and without going into the merits of the matter, we are of the opinion that before the Board of Education could act in respect to the above note that the Wise school District would have to include provision for the payment of the same in its district budget, which budget would have to be sworn to by the chairman and secretary of the district committee. It is our understanding that this has not been done, and we are, therefore, of the opinion that the matter is not properly before your board for action of any kind at this time."

Asks That Falling Trees Be Reported

Trees falling across the roads of Warren county should be reported to the prison camp at once, according to Joe Taylor, engineer in charge of roads in Vance and Warren.

"Please request citizens," Mr. Taylor said yesterday, "to telephone the prison camp, phone 58, upon discovery of a tree blocking any road. The highway force will remove them immediately. This kind of work is a part of its duties."

Fireworks Break Loose When Ladies Go Before Board of Town Commissioners

Fireworks broke loose in the regular session of the board of town commissioners on Monday night when a delegation, composed largely of ladies, appeared before the board to protest the establishment of a gin in the old sternery building on East Franklin Street.

W. H. Dameron & Company has recently purchased the sternery building from Boyd Massenburg and propose to use the building for a gin.

Henry Montgomery, heading the delegation, presented a petition to the board, bearing the names of property owners of that section of the town, asking the board to take such action as was in their power to prohibit the establishment of a gin in the residential section.

John B. Palmer discussed the legal phase of the matter and asked that the board zone the town in order that such practice might be prevented. The ladies, with scant regard for

Chairman Powell Tells Citizens He Is Ready To Resign

John Clay Powell, chairman of Warren county board of commissioners, on Monday told citizens gathered in the commissioners room that he was willing to resign if it were the wish of the people of Warren County.

"I have been honest in my efforts to serve the people of Warren county without desire for personal profit," Chairman Powell spoke in the sudden hush that fell over the commissioners room. "I have tried to serve my people to the best of my ability. If the citizens deem it to be for the best interest of the county, I will be glad to step down and let somebody else take my place."

A ripple of applause ran through the room as the commissioner finished speaking.

It is believed that Mr. Powell's remarks were brought forth as the result of an editorial in The Norlina Headlight last week in regard to a new ticket to run independently against the nominees of the Democratic party for commissioners this fall. The editorial was inspired by failure of the board to make a levy for continuing the agricultural teachers in five schools of the county.

Water Company To Discontinue Notices

In an effort to cut down expenses of the Warrenton Water Company, the water committee has ordered that all second notices be discontinued and customers failing to pay their water bills by the 10th of the month will be cut out, according to announcement mailed to customers by Superintendent Harold R. Skillman.

Bills will be delivered by hand each month instead of mailed as heretofore in order to save postage. Customers may pay their bills upon presentation, or may wait until the 10th of the month, the notice stated.

CARRIED TO HOSPITAL

Henry Shearin of Warren Plains was carried to a hospital in Norfolk for treatment Tuesday by George R. Frazier.

MISS LUCY LEACH TO BE RETAINED

Board Finds Itself Without Authority To Discontinue Officer's Services

STATE WORKER IS HERE

The Board of County Commissioners was without proper authority in discontinuing the services of Miss Lucy Leach as County Welfare Officer, it was revealed at the regular meeting of the board here on Monday. Miss Leach will continue to serve.

In cutting budget expenses at its July 14th meeting the commissioners cut out appropriations for a number of county services. The Welfare Department appropriations was one of these.

At the meeting here on Monday, Miss Lois Doshier, of the State Department, appeared before the board and after recounting the services rendered by Miss Leach and the increased need for such an officer during the approaching year in view of proposed Federal aid, told the members that they had no legal right to discontinue the services of such officer at this time as she had been appointed for a two-year period and her time had not expired. She read opinions from two attorney-generals supporting her contentions.

The board requested Julius Banzet, county attorney, to make an investigation. Later in the day, Mr. Banzet told the board that he had investigated the matter and that Miss Doshier was correct in her contention. "Frankly, Gentlemen," he said, "I tried to find a loophole, and I could not." The board expressed the sentiment that in that event their former action was void and that Miss Leach would be retained. The board will continue to donate \$600 salary and \$100 traveling expenses for her services.

The commissioners room was crowded during the morning session while Miss Doshier was making her appeal to the board, which was the chief item of interest during the day. A short clash between Clerk of Court John D. Newell and Representative John S. Davis was also an enlivening incident of the morning session. The afternoon session was unusually quiet after the stress and storm of the two previous sessions of the board when delegations had appeared in regard to retention of the agricultural teachers.

The board ordered that a special tax election be held for the Norlina school district. T. T. Hawks was appointed registrar; W. M. White and Jesse Pridden, judges of election. The election will be held on Monday, September 19th.

It was ordered that C. B. Curtis be exempted from poll tax until the order was revoked on account of physical disability. The board ordered that Lonnie West be admitted to Park View hospital for operation, time not to exceed three weeks.

Filling Station property listed against J. R. Paschall was ordered deducted and charged to the proper parties.

Upon motion by Commissioner Burroughs, seconded by Commissioner Capps, it was ordered that the appropriation of \$450 as recommended by the Board of Health for Health and Dental Clinic be not allowed.

The board ordered that the State be requested to place on the map for State maintenance that certain section of road leading from near the Presbyterian church known as Youngs Memorial in Nutbush township to the main road at Ellington school house, being about two and one-half miles and being along the route used by U. S. mail carrier.

It was ordered that \$40 additional be allowed for cost of building inmate house at county home. The board ordered that Jake Wilson be placed on the outside pauper list and paid \$4 per month.

Frank B. Nevell Sr. Back From Hospital

F. B. Nevell Sr. returned from the hospital at Rocky Mount on Wednesday and is convalescing nicely at his home near Warrenton.

Mr. Nevell was severely injured several weeks ago when the horse he was riding was struck by a State highway truck

Warrenton District Raises Funds By Private Subscriptions to Retain Bright; All Agricultural Teachers To Remain

Denied a levy by the board of county commissioners to retain the agricultural teachers in the schools of Warren county, citizens of the Warrenton Special school district have raised slightly more than \$400 through private subscription, and Bob Bright will remain at Warrenton during the coming school year.

Similar efforts have been made at Littleton and it is understood that A. W. Parker will be retained at teacher in the Littleton school.

Upon petition of 26 citizens of the Norlina school district, a special election has been called to supplement their school fund to an amount not to exceed seven cents in order to retain C. G. Lawrence as agricultural teacher at Norlina. It is predicted that the election will be carried. Mr. Lawrence last year taught at Norlina and Macon. This year the Macon people said

they were unable to continue this work and Mr. Lawrence will devote his full time to the Norlina school.

The John R. Hawkins negro school at Warrenton and the Warren County Training School, negro school at Wise, are making satisfactory arrangements to keep agricultural teachers to carry on vocational work among the negro citizens.

Last year a three-cent levy was made in the county-wide school budget to pay three-eighths of the salaries of five vocational agricultural teachers in the Warren county school system. This item was again in the school budget this year, but the board of county commissioners declined to make the levy and instead levied one and one-half cents to take care of substitute scientific subjects necessary if the schools are to retain their accredited standing.

One Of Three Escaped Convicts Is Nabbed Monday

One of the three men who escaped from the Warrenton county prison camp has been captured and officials feel that it will be only a matter of time before the other two are apprehended.

Two of the men escaped Saturday and the other stole a few hours of freedom on Monday. All three men were trustees.

Berry Griffin, white man, voluntarily severed his connection with the prison camp on Monday when he walked off the road while working in Shocco township. Four hours after his escape he was captured at Wilson's store near Epsom by Guard Joe Peoples and W. F. Alston. The fugitive quietly submitted to arrest when confronted by these two men.

James Norwood and Johnnie Parker effected their escape Saturday by pretending to go to the spring, which is about a couple hundred yards from the camp, for a bucket of water. The men continued beyond the spring and disappeared into the woods.

Norwood was sent here from Rocky Mount where he was convicted of larceny from person and was serving an eighteen months sentence. He is about 32 years old, weighs 132 pounds and has a light complexion. He gave his address as Norfolk, Va.

Johnnie Parker was serving time for larceny of an automobile and five turkeys. He was convicted in Currituck county and sentenced to serve on the roads for eighteen months. He is five feet, five inches tall, weighs 165 pounds and has a scar on the right side of his face. His complexion is dark. He gave his address as Norfolk, R. F. D. 3.

ICE CREAM SOCIAL

There will be an ice cream social at Jerusalem church on Friday night, August 12, at 7:30 o'clock. Mrs. L. H. Tarkinton of Wise announced yesterday. Homemade cream will be served.

DAWSON ALSTON HERE

Dawson Alston arrived last night to spend ten days here with his father, aunts and uncles. His wife is expected to join him here later. Mr. and Mrs. Alston drove from Louisville yesterday and Mrs. Alston stopped over in Chapel Hill, her former home, for a few days visit with her father.

Negroes, Caught Draining Gasoline Hose, Are Fined By Recorder Taylor Monday

Caught in the act of draining the hose of the gasoline pump at Bobbitt's garage, three negroes were tried for larceny before Judge W. W. Taylor in Recorder's court on Monday morning.

The defendants—Eugene Branch, Alfonso Cheek and John Henry Palmer—were ensnared Friday morning about 2 o'clock by Fate Weaver, constable, who was stationed at the garage by Mr. Bobbitt for the purpose of ending the raids that were being made on his gasoline after closing hours.

Mr. Weaver said that the trio drove up in front of the garage about 2 o'clock and were in the act of draining the hose into a bucket when he caught them.

Mr. Bobbitt testified that he had been missing gasoline for some time and had stayed at the garage himself at night in the hope of apprehending the thief or thieves, but no one was caught until Friday

night when Mr. Weaver was standing guard.

John H. Kerr Jr., representing the defendants, wanted to know if Mr. Bobbitt didn't set a trap to catch the men. Mr. Bobbitt replied, "No, I set a man to catch them."

The case was interestingly presented, but terminated with all three of the defendants being found guilty.

Judge Taylor fined Branch and Cheek \$15 and costs each and gave them three months jail sentences, assigned to work the roads. The road sentences were suspended upon the condition that the costs and fines were paid. Due to his youth, prayer for judgment was continued on Palmer on the condition that he remain of good behavior and report to the court every four months for a period of two years and that he be obedient to his father.

Facing trial on a charge of carrying (Continued on Page 8)

TOWN TAX RATE IS FIXED AT \$1.00

Commissioners Levy 45 Cents For Operating Expenses; 55 Cents For Bonds

POLL TAX REMAINS \$3.00

The tax rate for the town of Warrenton will remain at \$1 for the present fiscal year, it was decided at a meeting of the board of town commissioners on Monday night. Poll tax will remain at \$3.

Fifty-five cents of the levy will be used for bond purpose, and 45 cents for operating expense.

Values have decreased, it is estimated, approximately \$125,000. Unless there marked improvement in business, it is believed that returns from the railroad will be greatly reduced. These two factors, coupled with heavy fixed charges on account of indebtedness, is said to be responsible for failure to reduce the tax rate in spite of several economies in administration.

Adoption of the budget and fixing of the tax rate came as the concluding items of a rather lengthy session of the board, chief interest in which was the appearance of a delegation to protest the establishment of a gin near a residential section.

Cabbage Plant Is Removed From Bronchial Tube

A small negro baby of Warren reaped reward from the advancement of science a few days ago when a piece of cabbage plant which she swallowed was removed from her bronchial tube.

The piece of cabbage plant became lodged in the child's throat while she was playing with it, and the mother noticing that her baby was about to choke to death hurried her to a doctors office here. In coughing and gasping the piece of weed slipped down into the bronchial tube, and the child was sent to Raleigh where Dr. John B. Wright successfully removed the piece of cabbage.

Catherine Powell is the name of the one-year-old negro baby. She lives in the Marmaduke section and was carried to Raleigh by Clifford Robertson, who also lives in that vicinity.

Rufus Drake Fatally Injured In Wreck

Rufus Drake, white man of the Ringwood section who was fatally injured in an automobile accident Saturday afternoon near Grove Hill, died Monday morning around 6 o'clock in Park View hospital, Rocky Mount.

The accident occurred, it was said, when a tire on the Chevrolet automobile he was driving blew out in rounding a curve and the vehicle crashed into an embankment.

The injured man, lying in the road with his head and face badly cut and smashed, was found by occupants of a car from Danville, Va., he was picked up and rushed to the office of Dr. Charles H. Peete where first aid treatment was given before he was carried to the hospital at Rocky Mount in the automobile of Joe Powell, register of deeds for Warren county.

Mr. Drake married the sister of Exum Clark, and was about 27 years of age. He is survived by his wife and one child.

Boyd Family Holds Reunion Saturday

TOWNSVILLE, July 30. — The Boyd reunion was held at the Boyd home here last Saturday evening. The out of town guests were: Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Boyd of Reidsville, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Poindexter and son, Gordon Wallace, Jr., of Warrenton, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Whitaker and son, Harry, Jr., of Rocky Mount; Mrs. George V. Boyd and family of Henderson, Mr. and Mrs. Jasper B. Hicks of Henderson, Mrs. George A. Harris and daughters, Judith, and Lucy, of Henderson, Mrs. Marion Taylor and Mrs. Alpheus Jones of Warrenton, Mrs. H. B. White and sons, H. B. Jr., Edmund, Nat, Walter and Wallace of Drewry, Miss Alice White and Bill White of Drewry; Mr. and Mrs. John G. Taylor and son, John G., Jr., of Soudon, Nat Boyd of Richmond, and Mrs. Vernon McElveen of Lynchburg, S. C., Jack Bullock and Miss Sallie V. Bullock of Bullock, Mr. and Mrs. John Cawthorne and family of Warren Plains.