

GARDNER NAMED CITY TREASURER

Offices of Town Clerk and
Secretary-Treasurer
Are Combined

MAYOR GIBBS TAKES CUT

Combining the two offices of secretary-treasurer and town clerk, the board of town commissioners in a special four-hour session on Monday night named Tom B. Gardner to the position. Mrs. L. B. Beddoe, present secretary-treasurer, was nominated for the place by Commissioner J. B. Boyce, but the commissioners voted four to two to give Mr. Gardner the job. Norman Newell, son of Clerk of Court John D. Newell, applicant for the position, received no nominations. The salary to be paid the new official is \$30 a month. C. F. Moseley, town clerk, was not an applicant for the new position.

Action on this matter was taken after Mayor Gibbs had explained to the board that, due to a reduction of valuation, that the taxable values of the town would be between three and four hundred thousand dollars less than it was last year. This means, he said, that at the present rate of \$1 the income of the town would be reduced about \$3500.00, necessitating drastic economies or a raise in the tax rate, or perhaps both.

L. W. Hoffer made written application for the position of chief of police, requesting that if the board did not give him this position, he be named night policeman. The board voted to retain Chief M. M. Drake and Night Officer Lovell, with no cut in their salaries.

Harold R. Skillman was re-elected superintendent of the Water Company. After the matter of the expense incurred by Mr. Skillman in operating his car for the town's benefit, the commissioners voted that he be given no reduction in salary.

The salary of Miss Mary Terrell, assistant to Mr. Skillman, was reduced from \$50 to \$40. Silas Curtis, negro helper, was cut from \$12.50 to \$10 a week. George Morris, composing the sanitary force, retains his job as street cleaner at a salary of \$9 a week.

Bonuses of \$50 annually paid chairmen of the street committee and water committee were abolished upon ruling of the town attorney that the town was without authority to make such payments. The commissioners voted that the entire committees give more assistance to the chairmen than has been the case and that the remuneration of the members should be \$3.00 per regular meeting. They had previously received \$3 a meeting, with no requirements for extra work.

Mayor Gibbs, in requesting economies, asked for a straight reduction of 10 per cent in all salaries. Members of the board expressed themselves as unwilling to reduce the Mayor's salary. He said that he was unwilling that others be cut without a reduction in his case. At his request, Mayor Gibbs is to be paid \$360 annually, instead of the \$400 he has been receiving.

J. B. Boyce and M. T. Pridgen were named a committee to vote the town's stock at the annual meeting of the Warrenton Hotel Company.

Commissioner Boyce, chairman of the street committee, reported to the board that H. C. Montgomery was unwilling to accept a cash settlement of \$25 for damages incurred to his house when paint from the town tank splashed upon his home while it was being painted recently. Instead, he said, Mr. Montgomery insisted that the front of his roof, porch, front of his home and two sides of the house be painted at the town's expense. Estimates secured by the committee from local paint dealers and contractors were \$60, \$50 and \$40, respectively. Mr. Boyce said his committee reported to the board without recommendations. The board instructed the street committee to make settlement with Mr. Montgomery according to its own best judgment.

The board passed an ordinance (Continued on Page 8)

Case Has Been On Civil Docket Of Warren County Superior Court For Nearly Ten Years; Many Old Cases

Claiming that he was unable to collect a note of slightly more than \$500, made in 1920, Robert Irby in November 1923 brought suit against John Edwards as endorser of the note. The summons was issued in November, 1923; complaint filed on December 10, 1923. December 30, 1923, answer was filed and the case docketed for trial at the January term of court, 1924, slightly more than nine years ago. This suit remains on the docket of civil cases in Warren county, having again been continued at the May term.

In 1928, W. H. Dameron brought

suit against E. L. Harris. The case is still on the docket.

W. J. Mayfield brought suit against L. E. Hicks, T. P. Hicks and J. W. Mayfield the latter part of 1929. No verdict has yet been given.

Nearly three years ago Clarence A. Gooch sued Susie Gooch for a divorce. Action is still pending.

In November 1931, Alfred J. Ellington, alleging that he swallowed a hairpin in a bottle of coca cola, brought suit against the Weldon Coca Cola bottling Works, Inc. The case was docketed for trial at several terms of civil court, but continued. In January it was continued at request of plaintiff's attorney; at the May term it was continued at request of defendant's attorney.

Forty-two cases were docketed for trial at the May term of civil court. Sixteen were tried, the remainder continued.

TELLS PROVISIONS OF MORTGAGE ACT

Loans Limited to \$5,000 To
Any One Farmer; Three
Quarters of Valuation

TERMS OF FARM LOANS

Provisions of the Emergency Farm Mortgage Act of 1933, through which funds have been made available to refinance farm indebtedness, provide working capital for farm operations and to aid in the redemption of foreclosed farms, are submitted to the press this week by Bob Bright who is lending a hand of assistance to agriculturists in filling out application blanks to be passed upon by the Farm Loan Commissioner.

Loans under the new law are limited to \$5,000 to any one farmer. The amount that may be loaned, added to existing mortgages or other debts secured by the farm property, cannot be more than sufficient to bring the total debt up to three quarters of the appraised value of the property. These are second mortgage loans, repayable over a series of years, and an agreement has to be obtained from the holder of the first mortgage that he will not proceed against the farmer for failure to pay the principal of the first mortgage.

Eligibility of Borrower

As used in the act the term "farmer" means any individual who is engaged in farming operations, either personally or through an agent or tenant, or the principal part of whose income is derived from farming operations; and includes a personal representative of a deceased farmer. Corporations are not eligible for loans by the Farm Loan Commission.

Purposes of Loans

A prospective borrower must state in his application how he intends to use the proceeds of the loan: If the application is granted, he must use the money for the purposes stated in his application. The act defines the purposes for which a loan may be made. These are (a) to provide funds for refinancing, either in connection with proceedings under chapter 8 of the Bankruptcy Act of July 1, 1898, as amended (relating to agricultural compositions and extensions), or otherwise, any indebtedness, secured or unsecured, of the farmer; (b) to provide working capital for farm operations; and (c) to provide funds to enable any farmer to redeem and, or repurchase farm property owned by him prior to foreclosure which has been foreclosed at any time subsequent to July 1, 1931. In many instances the farmers who are eligible for a loan from the Farm Loan Commissioner may find that their creditors will be willing to accept compromise settlements.

Second Loan Requirements

When loans by the Farm Loan Commissioner are to be secured by second mortgages upon farm real estate, the Commissioner will require the holder of the first mortgage to limit his right to proceed against the farmer and, or the mortgaged property depending upon the aggregate amount of the first and second mortgages. Where the aggregate of an existing first mortgage on the applicant's property and the amount of a second mortgage offered to the Farm Loan Commissioner does not exceed \$5,000, loans will be made by the Commissioner only in case the holder of the first mortgage agrees that during a period of 3 years he will not proceed against the mortgagor and, or the mortgaged property for default in the payment of principal unless in the meantime the Commissioner consents in writing to such proceeding. When the aggregate of such first and second mortgages exceeds \$5,000, loans will be made by the Commissioner only in case the first mortgagee agrees that during a period of 5 years he will not proceed against the mortgagor and, or the mortgaged property on account of default. (Continued on Page 8)

Robbers Raid John Powell's Place Wednesday Night

John Powell suffered financial damages estimated at \$150 during the early hours of Thursday morning when a thief or thieves robbed his place of business on Main street after entering a rear window of the Imperial Theatre and forcing a door that stood between the amusement house and soda dispensary.

No loss has been discovered at the theatre and it is thought that the robber or robbers broke into that portion of the building only as a means of gaining entrance into Mr. Powell's place of business.

Mr. Powell's loss came from money stolen and damage done to amusement machines. No clues have been discovered and no arrests have been made. The proprietor is of the opinion that the robbery was committed by members of the white race who were familiar with his business.

After breaking into the theatre section of the building, the visitor or visitors went to work with a chisel or some other sharp instrument on the front door that opens into John's Place. After forcing the door, the robber or robbers located Mr. Powell's money hid under the soda fountain and seized two amusement machines and carried them into the theatre where they were smashed and their contents gathered up. Incidentally, the jackpot on the nickel machine was left secure.

Mr. Powell reasoned that whoever committed the robbery was familiar with his place of business due to the fact that his money was located where it had been carefully hidden beneath his soda fountain. His opinion that more than one were in on the robbery was based on the belief that it required a great deal of hammering to force the door and that while this was being done one man was left on the lookout for the night police force. The door, he pointed out, can be plainly seen from the street and said that it was too much of a chance for one person to take. "They knew my place pretty well," he said.

The time of the robbery is not known but it was after midnight. Mr. Powell said that he worked until 12 o'clock Wednesday night and had reason to believe that his place was not broken into until after 1 o'clock Thursday morning.

Pension Checks Are Here Awaiting Veterans' Call

Checks aggregating \$3,545 were received here this week by the Clerk of Court and are ready for distribution among the veterans of the Civil War and the widows of those who wore the gray in the conflict between the states. They are delivered upon call at the Clerk's office.

The pension checks, which are received here semi-annually, go to 21 individuals in this county. The amount of the checks vary. The six veterans of Warren receive \$150.00 each, and a negro who followed his master behind General Lee is given \$100 twice a year. Six widows of the veterans receive pensions of \$150 each and nine are paid \$50 each.

Those for whom the checks are drawn are Austin Allen, John W. Allen, Charles Riggan, Jas. A. Shearin, J. W. Williams, A. J. Wilson and Alfred J. Harris, the latter being a negro; Mesdames Jerry V. Newsome, Samantha S. Newsome, Sarah A. Shearin, Alice V. Weldon, Lucy N. Warren, Tempe Ella White, Bettie F. Alston, Mollie Cameron, Willie C. Gilliland, Mattie E. Johnston, Mollie Loughlin, Alice Neal, Kate V. Shaw, Jennie Weldon and Rosa Yancey.

Edward Williams Buried At Jerusalem

Funeral services for Edward Williams, 70, were held at Jerusalem church, Wise, on Sunday afternoon at 5 o'clock by the Rev. B. C. Thompson, Methodist minister of Norlina.

Mr. Williams died at the home of his nephew, Boyd Williams of Paschall, on Saturday morning at 5 o'clock.

MRS. SHORT DIES

Mrs. Tolly Short died at her home near Elberon on Saturday morning after being in ill health for some time. Funeral services were held at Sulphur Springs Baptist church on Sunday afternoon.

Wins Air Race



Henrietta Sumner, of Los Angeles, Calif., flew 45 miles in 17 minutes, 7 seconds in the second annual air race for women flyers at New York, June 4 thus winning the Annette Gibson cash award over 23 competitors.

Rodwell Resigns From Town Board; Business Reasons

W. Pryor Rodwell tendered his resignation as a town commissioner to Mayor Frank H. Gibbs on Wednesday morning. The resignation of the newly elected town official came after it had been pointed out that it was a violation of the law for the town to trade with his firm as long as he was a member of the governing board.

The vacancy is expected to be filled at the next meeting of the board of town commissioners.

Mr. Rodwell, who represents one-half of Rodwell Bros. Hardware store, was elected as a member of the board of town commissioners at the primary held in the court house on the night of March 30. He was administered the oath of office on Tuesday night, May 2.

Cause and Cure of War



Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt, honorary chairman of the National Committee on the Cause and Cure of War, representing some three million American women, announces that definite steps are being taken to further organize public opinion "at the hearth." Round table discussions are being launched by eleven women's organizations in the U. S.

Mrs. D. S. Loyd, 37, Dies At W. Plains

Mrs. D. S. Loyd, 37, died at her home near Warren Plains on Saturday afternoon at 4 o'clock. Heart failure was the cause of death.

Funeral services were conducted on Sunday afternoon at the Warren Plains Baptist church by the Rev. R. E. Brickhouse, pastor. Interment was in the church cemetery.

Mrs. Loyd is survived by her husband, two sons and one daughter, and by several brothers and sisters.

ANCIENT UTENSILS IN ROMAN RUINS

ROME, June 14.—While clearing the space between the Roman Forum and the Via del Impero, which has lately been done by pulling down later buildings and isolating the smaller Forums, Professor Alfonso Bartoli, who excavated the Roman Saept so successfully last year, has discovered some interesting archaic fragments.

A very ancient well and several domestic utensils of 300 years before Christ, some wheat grain carefully put away in an earthenware jar dated at the end of the 7th century before Christ are the objects proving the Forum was inhabited so early.

ASKS RAILROAD POLICY CHANGE

Board Instructs Committee
To Bring About Reductions
in Salaries

WANTS MORE PUBLICITY

A committee appointed to vote the stock of the town of Warrenton at the annual stockholders meeting of the Warrenton Railroad Co. was on Monday night definitely instructed to bring about salary reductions among the personnel of the company and to see that more publicity was given to its affairs.

W. P. Rodwell, J. B. Boyce and M. T. Pridgen were named by the board as a railroad committee. They were instructed to vote for five directors with the understanding that these directors would bring about salary reductions totaling \$100 a month, and that a detailed report of the operation of the company be made to the board each six months. In addition the company is to pay dividends each 90 days provided that there is a surplus above operating needs of more than \$200 in the treasury.

H. A. Moseley, former commissioner, was elected by the board as a director representing the town of Warrenton. He was instructed to follow the wishes of the committee as set forth in their instructions on voting the stock.

In the event that the directors are unwilling to carry out the wishes of the committee, the members were instructed to report to the commissioners for further instructions.

It was revealed at the meeting that present salaries of officers and employees of the railroad company are: J. M. Gardner, president, \$50 a month; C. R. Rodwell, secretary-treasurer, \$90 a month; A. C. Blalock, superintendent, \$210 a month; Owen Robertson and Ann Rodgers, assistants, \$105 and \$30 per month respectively. A reduction of 35 per cent had been made in all salaries within the past several months, it was stated.

The committee's instructions were that they are to vote for the present officers and five of the directors of the present company upon the following conditions:

"1. That said officials and directors pledge an immediate reduction of not less than \$100 per month in the aggregate in present salaries being paid to officials and employees of said company.

"2. That all monies now in the hands of the Treasury of said company or which may hereafter come into his hands and for which there is no immediate need and no requirement of law as to its detention, shall, within 90 days from its receipt, be disbursed as dividends to the stockholders, after first deducting therefrom such amount or amounts as are reasonably necessary for the economic operation of said Railroad and the adequate preservation of its property; provided, however, that nothing contained herein shall require said officials or directors to declare a dividend when there is less than \$200 available for that purpose.

"3. That detailed semi-annual statements be submitted to stockholders showing results of operations for the period covered and the salary paid to each official and employee of said company.

"4. That if said committee is unable to reach an agreement with the officials and directors of said company in substantial compliance with the foregoing requests, then it is instructed to adjourn said annual meeting of stockholders for a period of 30 days and report to the Board of Town Commissioners for further instructions as to how it shall vote at said adjourned meeting."

NO RECORDER'S COURT

Recorder's court did not convene here on Monday morning due to the fact that no transgressors were brought before Judge W. W. Taylor for trial. It was expected that Roy Long would be tried on an assault charge but this matter was compromised before it reached Judge Taylor's court.

To Washington



Miss Celeste Jedel, 22, Barnard graduate in '31, and a student there under Prof. Raymond Moley, now assistant Secretary of State, is now assistant legal adviser to Prof. Moley at Washington.

Sun Cooks Egg

The sun's hot enough to cook an egg is an expression often heard when the thermometer soars, but it remained for R. E. Davis, former sheriff of Warren county, to perform the feat. Sheriff, in town Saturday with pan and scrambled egg, said that it took about 15 minutes to cook the egg in the sun on a concrete well slab about 2:30 Friday afternoon. A thermometer placed in this spot rose to 141 degrees, he said.

Warrenton Golfers Play At Henderson On Wednesday

Although unsuccessful in their efforts to win the tournament, Warrenton golfers journeyed over to Henderson Wednesday and displayed their ability to send the balls down the fairways and drop them into the cups when it counted. Two of the prizes offered the three towns participating in the play on the Vance county links Wednesday afternoon were won by members of the Warrenton team.

Honors of the game went to S. O. Nunn, who won first prize, W. N. Boyd, who won third prize, and Seifert of Henderson who won second prize. The three towns taking part in the game Wednesday afternoon were Louisburg, Warrenton and Henderson.

The match held Wednesday afternoon was termed "the grand finale," coming at the conclusion of the tournament which had for several weeks been underway between Warrenton, Louisburg, Henderson and Roanoke Rapids, with Henderson emerging victorious. At Henderson Wednesday those who participated in the play donated 50c each which went for prizes for the best players among the four teams. Roanoke Rapids was not represented on the course Wednesday.

Warrenton will play South Boston here next Wednesday afternoon, it was announced yesterday afternoon by A. Jones who has been doing most of the arranging for the games.

Mrs. Emory Stafford of Aiken, S. C., is spending several days with Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Adams.

Judge and Mrs. R. Hunt Parker of Roanoke Rapids were guests here Saturday.

Round-Trip to Europe



Roger Q. Williams, noted transatlantic flyer, plans a round trip flight to Europe in July, going New York to Rome, southern route, and returning Dublin to Chicago, northern route to ascertain the most practical route for regular commercial flying to Europe.

Man Jumps In Well Near Littleton; Sent To Hospital

James Walker of near Littleton was rescued Tuesday from a well into which he had leaped. He had been in the well for several hours immersed to his neck, when someone attempting to draw water and finding the chain broken, discovered him. A rope was attached and he was drawn up, brought to Warrenton for treatment, and later taken to the state hospital in Raleigh.

Mr. Walker suffered a stroke of paralysis several months ago, and it is thought that his mind was affected.

Force Working On Sidewalks Here

Improvements are being made on the sidewalks of Warrenton under the direction of the street committee of the board of town commissioners. Improvements consist in cutting and widening sidewalks and clearing over-lapping grass and weeds. No concrete is being laid.

At present a crew of men are at work cutting a walk along the east section of the property of the Misses Annie and Lucy Hawkins, and improvements have already been made on the gravel walks leading from the rear corner of Hotel Warren to the home of Mrs. W. A. Burwell and from Clyde Rodwell's home in northern Warrenton east.

Sheriff Comes Into Possession Of Chairs

Sheriff W. J. Pinnell has four chairs in his possession that the owner may obtain by properly identifying, it was learned at his office here yesterday.

The chairs were picked up by the Warren officer between Wise and Norlina on Saturday night and had evidently fallen from a truck, wagon or moving van.

FATHER CONFESSES

NEW YORK, June 14.—Vittorio Grillo, 73, was sentenced to a year and nine months in a federal penitentiary for stealing \$4.29 from the mails, a crime for which Grillo's son, Angelo previously had been convicted. The son served six months of a two and a half year term before the father confessed his guilt. The son was granted a new trial and acquitted.