

BOARD HEARS TAX COMPLAINTS

Grant Reductions to Number of Taxpayers Here This Week

ONE VALUATION RAISED

Meeting as a Board of Equalization and Review of the Board of county commissioners on Monday and Tuesday heard complaints of taxpayers over valuations and granted reductions in a number of cases.

In addition to its work of revaluation the commissioners went over a report of M. P. Burwell showing details of the operation of the Carr farm owned jointly by Mr. Burwell and the county. Net profits for the year were \$55.53, and Mr. Burwell tendered his check for \$27.77, which was accepted by the board as the county's share of the profits.

The board ordered that \$200 additional valuation be added to the lot of W. H. Draffin of Smith Creek township for house built thereon.

J. J. Crinkley of Warrenton township was given a reduction of \$150 in the valuation of his Elgin farm on account of house destroyed by fire. John S. Davis received a reduction to \$16 per acre on his property in Fork township; not voting, Commissioner J. L. Skinner.

A house and land, property of Mrs. E. B. Browning of River township, was reduced from \$6420 to \$5000. The Mattie D. Hunter place in Fishing Creek township, consisting of 233 acres, was given a credit of \$600 on account of removal of timber. J. T. Walker home place in Warrenton township received a reduction of \$350 in valuation.

F. D. Wilson of Warrenton township received a reduction to \$1500 on 135 acres of land. A. B. Odom's tract of land in Sixpound township was reduced to \$624 on account of removal of timber. J. L. Riggan of Judgins township received a reduction to \$12 per acre on his property consisting of 124 acres. Geo. Simm, Warrenton township, was given a reduction to \$1150 on the Crowder place consisting of 46 acres.

McKinley Wilkins, colored, was given an additional credit of \$100 valuation on his property. A. B. Wilson and J. M. Coleman received a reduction to \$3500 valuation on the Boyd place consisting of 437 acres. J. E. Howard, colored, River township, was given a credit of \$600 on account of building being (Continued on Page 8)

Warren Boy Is Camp Foreman

FORT BRAGG, June 22.—Edwin J. Overby of Warren is foreman of the first section of Company 430 Civilian Conservation Corps, composed of boys from Johnston, Warren and Northampton counties, which left on Monday night for a reforestation camp at Windsor.

The company is under command of 1st Lt. Hasbrook, 4th Field Artillery. He is assisted by Lieutenants J. J. Asher and W. S. Shearor. The morale and discipline of the unit is excellent after two weeks of hospitalization, vaccinations, wholesome food, comfortable and sanitary living conditions. There have been no desertions and no absences without leave.

The average educational preparation of the group is eighth grade. There is only one boy who is unable to read and write. The roster boasts a galaxy of talent, including twenty carpenters, twenty truck drivers, ten electricians, three plumbers, eight mechanics, and 75 farmers, one pharmacist, five cooks and two bakers. Ed. Leake is listed as an experienced forester. The pharmacist has been given the first aid work for the company.

Gordon Halthcock of Warrenton, Allen Peoples of Warrenton, Edwin F. White of Norlina, Charlie Earhart of Jackson are a few of the football stars listed on the roster. The company had two complete baseball outfits issued it before leaving for camp. The company welfare officer arranges frequent religious and devotional services for the boys.

Coolidge-Woodring



Miss Helen Coolidge, of Fitchburg, Mass., daughter of U. S. Senator Marcus A. and Mrs. Coolidge, is to become the bride of Assistant Secretary of War, Harry A. Woodring of Kansas and former governor of that state

Larceny And False Pretense Cases Are Heard By Taylor

Larceny and obtaining lodging under false pretense were the charges which brought defendants before Judge W. W. Taylor in Recorder's court this week.

Johnnie Paschall, negro, was found guilty of stealing a pair of overalls, valued at 25c, and was sentenced to jail, assigned to work the roads, for 60 days. The jail sentence was suspended provided he pay the costs of the action.

Carey Lewis, Rocky Mount negro, was convicted on a charge of obtaining lodging under false pretense and was sentenced to jail, assigned to the roads, for two months.

Dooly Drumgold and Sallie Bett Drumgold, negroes, were before Judge Taylor on a larceny count. The woman was found not guilty and the man was given a two months sentence.

Jesse Williams, charged with manufacturing whiskey, asked for a jury and had his trial postponed until June 26.

Mrs. Addie Sturgess Dies At Middleburg

Mrs. Charles R. Sturgess of Middleburg, formerly Miss Addie Mae Odom of Arcola, was buried in the Middleburg cemetery Tuesday afternoon following funeral services conducted at her residence at 4 o'clock by Rev. J. H. Miller, pastor of the Middleburg Methodist Church.

Mrs. Sturgess died at her home about 5 o'clock Monday morning. She had been in declining health since last summer and had been confined to her bed for about four weeks prior to her death. She was 54 years old.

In addition to her husband, Mrs. Sturgess is survived by the following three children: Miss Ethel Sturgess and William Edson Sturgess, both of Middleburg, and Charles Ransom Sturgess Jr. of Fort Bragg; also by two brothers, Howard Allen Odom of Norlina and J. D. Odom of Arcola; and one sister, Mrs. John O. Riley of Norfolk, Va.

Bowers Says Letters Being Mailed Out

Red, White and Blue course men who are eligible to the Citizens Military Camps which will be held in this Corps Area sometime after July 1 are being mailed letters from headquarters to determine if they can attend camp in July, Claude T. Bowers, county chairman, stated this week in requesting that these men be notified to be on the lookout for the letters. County Chairman Bowers said that headquarters are also communicating with the same class of applicants who qualified this year as alternates with the view of filling any vacancies that might occur.

The camps will be for the usual period of 30 days so far as is known at this time, Mr. Bowers said. The exact date of the opening of the camps will be announced later.

Officers Nab Two Men And Still

Two men were arrested and a 40-gallon copper outfit seized as the result of a raid made by Sheriff W. J. Pinnell and deputies Friday in Shocco township near the old Milby place. From eight to ten gallons of liquor were found. Jesse Williams, colored, was arrested at the still after a short chase, and Charlie Wortham, seen at the still, was arrested Monday. The two men are held here in jail, tried Monday in Recorder's court. Mrs. Rollins.

Citizens Of Wise To Appear Before School Commission

Citizens of Wise will appear before the State school commission this morning at 10:30 o'clock in an effort to have a high school located at Wise, it was learned yesterday at the office of the superintendent of schools.

Superintendent Allen said yesterday that he did not believe that the commission would attempt to arrange the districts in the county until after the Wise school question was settled, as in the event such school is located there, it would be necessary to make other changes in the county.

"It seems that the State school commission," Mr. Allen said, "is working on the policy of making a school district around each of the accredited white high schools, including all schools from whose territory and children go to the accredited high school; and they have been calling on us for additional information along this line. If they allow the Wise high school, that would change the number of districts and they are waiting to settle all these matters at that time."

"It does not seem to be likely that we can appoint committeemen before the first Monday in July but of course we can't tell definitely now," Mr. Allen added.

23 Hoboes Sent To Prison Camp By Norlina Mayor

Twenty-three hoboes, picked up at Norlina Monday night and early Tuesday morning by railroad detectives and other officials, were sent to the Warren County Prison Camp on Tuesday to begin 30-day road sentences.

There were nearly 40 men lifted from the trains, but some of this number were able to pay fines and others were allowed to go their way after giving plausible excuses for riding the rails.

Mayor Albert Fleming who tried the men said that the wholesale capture was made in an effort to curb the damage that the railroad company is suffering from the free riders who have been breaking into the cars and destroying stock.

"Many of the hoboes who pass through here," Mayor Fleming said, "are out of work and are simply riding up and down the tracks preying upon the shipments of perishable goods. They don't mind if they are caught. As a matter of fact some of those picked up Tuesday morning begged for a 60-day sentence when I sent them to the road for 30 days."

The hoboes captured were both white and colored and hailed from far and near.

Mrs. Sue Egerton Buried Saturday

LITTLETON, June 22.—Funeral services for Mrs. Sue Twitty Egerton, who died suddenly at the home of her son, C. W. Egerton, Thursday afternoon at 5 o'clock, were held Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock in the Methodist church. Rev. Rufus Bradley, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and Rev. P. E. Bingham, pastor of the Methodist Protestant Church, conducted the services. Interment followed at the old homeplace near Warrenton.

Mrs. Egerton, who was 74 years of age, suffered a heart attack. She had been in ill health for the past year. She is survived by the following children Mrs. T. Frank Cameron of Cameron, N. C., Miss Regina Egerton of Chapel Hill, Miss Anna Egerton of Greensboro, H. P. Egerton of Camden, N. J., and C. W. Egerton of Littleton.

Pallbearers were Hunt Johnston, Henry House, R. W. Thornton, John House, J. P. Leach and W. L. Wiggins.

Executive Committee Meets On Saturday

A meeting of the Executive Committee of the Young People's Democratic Club of Warren county will be held Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock in the office of John H. Kerr Jr., county chairman. The purpose of the meeting is to elect delegates to the state convention to be held at Wrightsville Beach on July 8th.

Mrs. T. V. Allen returned Monday from Richmond, where she spent the week end with her sister, Mrs. Rollins.

BLALOCK URGES COOPERATION

Predicts Poor Prices Unless
Reduction Plan Goes
Over Successfully

A LARGE CARRYOVER

RALEIGH, June 22.—Urging the farmers to cooperate in the government's acreage reduction plan, U. Benton Blalock, president of the American Cotton Cooperative Association, today said that with a 13,000,000 bale carryover and good prospects for a crop on 40,000,000 acres this year only "an optimist can look forward to anything like a fair price for cotton this fall unless our acreage reduction campaign goes over as a big success."

Mr. Blalock termed the plan as "probably about the best that could be submitted under the authority vested in the Secretary of Agriculture through the Agricultural Adjustment Act," and summarized the following as seven inducements offered cotton farmers to cooperate in the plan:

"It offers a very fair rental for cotton lands according to productivity.

"With options on cotton at six cents per pound the cotton farmer can immediately close out his options for three to three and one-half cents per pound profit.

"If he so desires he may hold his options and if the production for the season is curtailed two to three million bales and the price of cotton is thereby increased, he not only profits by the increase in price on his cotton held under options but also on the balance of the crop that he produces.

"The cotton farmer by disposing of a portion of his crop now eliminates all crop hazards such as droughts, floods, hail storms, boll weevil and other insect ravages.

"He saves all further expense of cultivation and the harvesting of that portion abandoned."

"He 'cashes in' on a part of his crop at a time when the average cotton farmer has nothing to sell and no money in bank or pocket.

"The producer is allowed to plant the abandoned acres in late corn, forage crops, or any other kind of crop for home consumption and the Southern farmer rarely ever has an overproduction of food or feed crops."

Mr. Blalock who has spent considerable time in Washington recently conferring with those in charge of the cotton acreage reduction division, has contended from the beginning that to be successful any acreage reduction plan would have to offer greater advantages to the producers who cooperate than to those who do not cooperate.

Answering the question "What are the reasons for the adoption of this very drastic method for cotton acreage reduction?" Mr. Blalock said:

"We are suffering from a heavy overproduction of cotton and are going into the new year with the largest carryover of American cotton ever known, approximately 13,000,000 bales, or almost a year's supply. To get this annual carryover down to a normal basis of four or five million bales through a policy of 'letting nature take its course' would mean that within three or four years under the workings of the unhampered law of supply and demand this goal might be reached, but it would mean our continuing the production of cotton under unprofitable price levels in the meantime."

Horse And Stable Destroyed By Fire

A horse, barn, stable, packhouse, crib and feed were lost in a fire at the home of Eugene Reavis on Mrs. Stephen Bowers place in Sandy Creek township Tuesday. A mule was rescued from the flames.

It is thought that the fire was caused by a child playing around the barn with matches.

Parker To Preside Over Vance Court

HENDERSON, June 22.—Judge R. Hunt Parker of Roanoke Rapids will preside over the civil term of Superior court here next week. Judge Frank Daniel, who is presiding over criminal term of court, and the Roanoke Rapids jurist affected an exchange for the civil term.

Mrs. Raymond Wynn and children of Marion, S. C., are guests in the home of Dr. and Mrs. G. H. Macon.

Rheba or Aimee?



Rumor at Los Angeles, has it that Rheba Spilva, above, "The Angel of Broadway" will succeed Aimee Semple McPherson-Hutton as head of the famed Angelus Temple there. The latter is now on a world tour.

Mad Dog Bites Five Children In Sixpound Section

A daughter of Claude Halthcock and four children of John Young are being treated for mad dog bites they suffered Thursday and Friday of last week.

The animal, the property of Mr. Young, was shot last Friday afternoon by Mr. Halthcock when it came to his home in Sixpound township and attacked his daughter. The head of the canine was taken to Raleigh where the State laboratory reported rabies.

Investigation revealed that the dog had bitten four of Mr. Young's children before it came to Mr. Halthcock's residence. All five of the victims began taking the Pasteur treatment last Saturday afternoon.

Skinner Says He Is Not Candidate For Assembly Place

John L. Skinner, member of the Board of County Commissioners, will not be a candidate either for the House of Representatives or for the State Senate in the next election, according to announcement made here Monday.

Mr. Skinner had been mentioned frequently as a prospective candidate for this position since the recent announcements of Tom Carter and Bob Paschall started the political minded to speculating along these lines.

Bright Honored At Stag Supper

Bob Bright, teacher of vocational agriculture in the John Graham High school, was honor guest at a stag supper at Hotel Warren on Friday night of last week. Forty-three were present.

Mr. Bright will marry Miss Belle Shearin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Shearin tonight.

J. Edward Allen, superintendent of Warren schools, acted as master of ceremonies. Bachelors and married guests, as well as the guest of honor, were joked and congratulated, warned and admonished, as the toastmaster called upon various members of the party for remarks.

Those present were Bob Bright, E. G. Allen, Joe Taylor, Bill Boyce, Dick Boyd, Ervin Adams, C. A. Tucker, Dr. W. D. Rodgers Jr., Dr. G. H. Macon, Claude Bowers, S. O. Nunn, Dr. F. P. Hunter, Pett Boyd, Bignall Jones, Howard Jones, Graham Boyd, Gordon Poindexter, W. T. Polk, Frank Gibbs, Tom Gillam, F. T. Read, Judge T. O. Rodwell, John Mitchell, John Henderson, Edward Allen, A. C. Blalock, George Frazier, Pryor Allen, Dr. Rufus Jones, Ben Batts, C. C. Britten, Walter Kidd, E. E. Gillam, Claude Halthcock, Rodwell Gardner, Jimmie Mayfield, M. T. Pridgen, Early Shearin, Paul Bell, Jerman Walker, Edward Tarwater, W. R. Baskerville, Haywood Duke.

Wise Girls Form Canning Club

WISE, June 19.—The ladies and junior girls of Wise met at the school building today at 4 o'clock and organized a canning club. Mrs. W. M. Rochelle was elected president and Mrs. Evans Coleman secretary-treasurer. Mrs. W. F. Mustian gave a very interesting talk. The next meeting will be held on June 26 at 4 o'clock. Every housewife and junior girl is urged to be present for this meeting. Mrs. Mustian will also be present on this occasion.

Crop Reduction Plan Under Way In Warren

Way The Wallace Cotton Plan Works In Case John Doe

WASHINGTON, June 20.—Here is how the Wallace cotton plan would work out in the case of John Doe who has a 10-acre patch over the hill:

John has been getting an average of 200 pounds of lint cotton to the acre for some years and his crop looks good for that amount again this year.

Next week when the campaign for reducing acreage gets under way, John will attend a meeting called by his county agricultural agent or some other representative of the Department of Agriculture.

At the meeting he will find that he may get cash for plowing up part of his crop if enough other farmers do the same thing to justify going ahead with the plan.

He may offer to plow up one acre three acres or four acres. Because John has been getting more than an average crop out of his field he will be entitled to more rent.

Three acres would be about the amount that Secretary Wallace would like him to take out of production for that sized farm.

Upon acceptance of his offer by Wallace, a contract would be presented to him and he would find that, since his production was between 175 and 224 pounds to the acre, he would be entitled to \$14 cash rent for each of the acres he plowed under or a total of \$42.

Or, he might choose instead to take \$10 an acre, a total of \$30 for the three acres, and an option on 600 pounds of lint cotton to which his acreage and reduction would entitle him.

This 600 pounds would be equal to the amount of cotton which his three acres would be expected to produce. He could get the option without paying out any money. He would simply be credited with 600 pounds of cotton at six cents a pound.

He would be entitled to any sum over six cents a pound that cotton was sold for at any time he decided it ought to be sold. There will be some regulations later telling him just how to go about that.

Anyway, he would receive the cotton at six cents and it is selling in the markets today for from eight to nine cents. The cotton may be 1200 miles away but it is John's for the time he holds the option.

In either case, before John gets the money, a representative will be around to see that he has plowed up the three acres.

He may plant something else on that part of his patch so long as it is eaten on the farm—or he may let it lie idle.

He will not be permitted to spend the money he took in to put a lot of extra fertilizer on the rest of his patch, but must go right on with his ordinary plans for the other seven acres, picking it and selling it as he desires.

Miss Hilliard Is Contest Winner

Speaking on "Rural North Carolina's Greatest Need," Miss Martha Hilliard of Norlina was chosen in the essay contest held in the court house here last Saturday to represent Warren county in the district contest which is being sponsored by the North Carolina Cotton Cooperative Association.

Miss Bertha King, representing the John Graham High School, was the only opponent Miss Hilliard had in the county contest. Judges were Mrs. Calvin Weaver, Miss Gayle Tarwater and Jesse Gardner.

The central district is composed of Wayne, Wilson, Wake, Chatham, Green, Lenoir, Warren, Johnston, Durham and Franklin counties, and the winner of this contest will compete in the State finals, grand prize of which will be the State championship and a one-year college scholarship.

LOCAL GOLFERS WIN

South Boston was defeated in a golf match played at the Warren-ton golf course Wednesday afternoon. The score was 21 1-2 to 31 1-2. Following the game, members of the Warren-ton club entertained the Virginia visitors at a barbecue.

Dr. and Mrs. T. J. Holt, Mr. Hugh Holt, and Miss Helen Holt departed Monday morning for a ten-day trip through the New England states.

Committees Meet At Court House Here This Morn- ing at 10 o'Clock

MEETINGS NEXT WEEK

With a meeting of all committees scheduled to be held in the court house at Warrenton this morning at 10 o'clock, the Government's Cotton Crop reduction plan is under way in Warren county. Meetings will be held in all sections of the county next week when the plan will be explained and farmers given an opportunity to sign the reduction agreement contracts.

Yesterday Bob Bright, vocational teacher in charge of the work in Warren, accompanied by W. W. Halthcock, Geo. Frazier, J. T. Walker, Harry Williams, R. A. King, J. V. Shearin and A. W. Parker, vocational teacher of Littleton, attended a district meeting in Rocky Mount where representatives of the Department of Agriculture discussed the plans of procedure.

No public meetings will be held until next week, due to the fact that contracts will not be available until Monday, Mr. Bright said yesterday. The schedule of the meetings next week as supplied by Mr. Bright follows:

Sandy Creek and Shocco Townships—Afton-Elderon school house, White, June 26, Monday night, 8:30; colored, June 26, Monday night, 8:30.

River and Roanoke Townships—Tuesday, June 27, White, 10:30 morning in Vaughan school house; colored 4 o'clock afternoon in colored church.

Smith Creek and Nutbush Townships—Wednesday, June 28, Drewry school, White, 10:30 morning; colored, 4:00 in the afternoon. Fork Township—Thursday, June 29, Inez school house, White 10:30 morning; colored, 4:00 afternoon.

Fishing Creek Township—Friday, June 29, Arcola school, White 10:30 morning; colored, 4:00 afternoon.

Hawtree Township—Friday, June 30, Wise school house, White, 10:30 morning; colored, 4:00 afternoon.

Sixpound Township—Friday, June 30—Macon school house, White, 10:30 morning; colored, 4:00 afternoon.

Warrenton Township—Saturday, July 1, White, 10:30 morning at Court House; colored, 10:30 morning, colored school.

Judkins Township—Saturday, July 1, White, 10:30 morning, Vaughan school house; colored, 10:30 morning, colored church.

Committees named by Mr. Bright for the several districts of the county and certified to Dean I. O. Schaub of State College follow:

County committee—E. H. Pinnell, J. T. Walker, E. G. Allen. Shocco-Sandy Creek—F. F. Limer, S. E. Allen, Ed Turner. Warrenton—M. T. Pridgen, G. R. (Continued on Page 2)

Warren County Given Good Rank

Only six counties in North Carolina have fewer criminal cases per capita than Warren county, according to an article in the current issue of the University of North Carolina News Letter.

Warren county, according to the News Letter ranks seventh in the state with a record of one criminal case to every 487.2 inhabitants. Stanly county is first with one case to every 686.5 inhabitants. Haywood county ranks at the bottom with a criminal case for every 36.3 inhabitants.

Franklin county has a criminal case for every 243.4 inhabitants; Nash one to 100.5; Vance, one to 46.4; and Halifax one criminal case to every 66.2 inhabitants.

CONGRESSMAN RETURNS
Congressman John H. Kerr returned to his home here Sunday night from Washington, D. C.