

COUNTY SCHOOLS OPEN THURSDAY

More Than Twenty-five Hundred White Children Expected to Be Enrolled

A 5 PER CENT INCREASE

More than 2500 white children are expected to gather in school houses over the county next Thursday morning when the schools embraced in the Warren county system begin their work for the session 1933-34.

Colored schools began operating several weeks ago. Superintendent J. Edward Allen said yesterday that the 2550 white children and the 4800 colored children expected to be in school represented an increased enrollment over last year of approximately 5 per cent.

There has been an unusually small change in the teaching force, it was learned. The greatest change takes place at Norlina where half a dozen new teachers will be employed. The set up in the other schools are largely as they were last year, although there has been considerable switches in principalship. Paul Cooper, last year at Afton-Elberon, this year succeeds Bill Early as principal of the Littleton school. J. C. Stabler, formerly at Drewry, is at Afton-Elberon this year. Walter L. Wilson replaces Mr. Stabler at Drewry.

Agriculture will be taught at Warrenton, Norlina, Littleton and Macon as well as in the two negro high schools. A new feature of study in the four white schools this year will be commercial and business courses for upper grades.

One teacher remains to be elected at Warrenton, who will also be football coach. There may be some change at Norlina, according to Principal S. G. Chappel, due to one or more teachers having failed to sign final contracts, but these positions are expected to have been filled by next Thursday.

The Littleton school will open on Monday and recess for the teachers meeting to be held at the John Graham school at Warrenton on Wednesday. There will also be a meeting of truck drivers at the court house on Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

A list of the faculties of the various schools of the county are given as follows:

Warrenton—J. B. Miller, principal; Maram Boyd, Helen Thompson.

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Mrs. Julius H. Olsen Dies Macon Home

Funeral services for Mrs. Julius H. Olsen were conducted from her home in Macon Monday afternoon at 3:30. Services were conducted by Rev. E. C. Durham, pastor of Macon Methodist Church, of which Mrs. Olsen was a member. Rev. J. Marshall, local Baptist minister, assisted.

pall bearers were J. L. Coleman, M. Coleman, F. M. Drake, J. W. Edwards, A. L. Nicholson, and N. M. Thornton. Interment was in the family plot in Macon cemetery.

Mrs. Olsen's death was sudden, following a heart attack Sunday evening at seven o'clock. She is survived by her husband, Julius H. Olsen, and two children, John J. Olsen of Petersburg, Va., and Mrs. Henry White of Wise.

She was Annie Thompson, daughter of Ben Thompson and Ann Hicks, natives of Warren County. She was married on Nov. 23, 1886 to J. H. Olsen, a native of Copenhagen, Denmark, who located in Macon in 1882.

A large number of relatives and friends accompanied the body to its resting place.

Man Hurt When Motorcycle Skids

Herbert (Booster) Pope is recovering at the home of his brother in Littleton from a broken collarbone and bruises he received near Warrenton on Wednesday night about 9 o'clock when he was thrown from a motorcycle. Although painfully hurt, his injuries are not regarded as being of a serious nature.

The cause of the accident could not be learned here yesterday afternoon but it is thought that as

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BOARD VETOES COUNTY AGENT

Department of Agriculture Representative Asks Appropriation of \$900

BRIGHT'S WORK PRAISED

The Board of County Commissioners in regular meeting here on Monday vetoed the suggestion of a representative of the State Department of Agriculture that a full-time county agent be employed for Warren county.

The representative explained to the board that Robert Bright, teacher of Vocational Agriculture in the John Graham High School, who has been in charge of the cotton reduction campaign in the county, would not be permitted to carry on this work after school opens on next Thursday, neither could he look after the tobacco campaign that is expected to be put on. This work would probably be carried on for several years the representative said, and a county agent was needed. In addition to this work, the representative continued, the agent could carry on other farm work.

In the event that the commissioners would appropriate \$900 annually the state department would contribute \$1100 for this work, he said, adding that Mr. Bright could be named county agent and that the state would send another man to replace him in the school, or another man could be sent as farm

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Telephone Conversation Blasts Hopes Of Establishment of High School In Afton-Elberon Special School District

Hopes of Afton-Elberon citizens for the establishment of a high school in their community were definitely blasted on Monday when George C. Green, member of the State School Commission, in a telephone conversation with Supt. J. Edward Allen stated that the matter had been definitely decided at the time that the Wise school status was determined and that he did not think it profitable to pursue the matter further. Mr. Allen was instructed by the

Force Attention Upon Woman; Are Given Road Terms

Forcing their attention with threats of death upon a feminine member of their race who rejected their company resulted with two young negro men being sentenced to the roads for eighteen months by Judge W. W. Taylor in Recorder's court on Monday morning when they were found guilty of assault with deadly weapons.

Failure on the part of the woman to allow the men to accompany her home from church was credited with provoking profanity and stirring the would-be-escorts to such wrath that they reached for weapons when their coaxing failed to win favor in the eyes of the negroes.

"We're going to take you home or kill you," Janet Lee told the court that Willis Lewis and Blue Fogg told her as they grabbed her by her arms and brandished razor and pistol after she had declined their company. The girl's mother approached at that time and, according to her testimony, she saw the weapons and was cursed by the negro men for her interference. During the disturbance the girl slipped away and disappeared in the crowd. No shots were fired nor were there any razor wounds inflicted. Both the defendants denied that they had weapons and said that they did not make any threats or force their attention on the girl. They admitted asking her to let them go home with her.

Without mincing words and talking like a veteran story teller, Pike Sledge gave what he termed a complete account of the affair. Prefacing his remarks with the statement, "I'm going to tell the whole truth and nothing but the truth," he said:

"We're all ben to church down at Vaughan. When the service was over the ladies came out of one aisle and the men another. These two boys came up beside Janet and asked to take her home. She replied that she had an escort and didn't

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WARREN BUDGET GIVEN APPROVAL

County-Wide Rate Is Fixed At 66 Cents On Hundred Dollar Valuation

SCHOOL RATE IS RAISED

The County-wide budget calling for a general rate of 66 cents on the hundred dollars valuation, and additional rates for school and road debt service was approved by the Board of County Commissioners at their regular session here Monday.

The tax rate in the Warrenton Special School district was raised from the 37 cents set out in the tentative budget to 44 cents. This was found to be necessary due to error in valuations furnished the Board of Education for making up the district school budget for the year 1933-34.

Commissioner John L. Skinner, who was not present at the meeting on August 14, when the tentative budget was approved, said that he wanted his vote recorded in

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Macon Delegation Dissatisfied With Election of Teacher

Dissatisfaction with the election of a teacher for the Macon school was expressed by a delegation of Macon citizens before a meeting of the Board of Education here on Monday, with a request that the board take action in the matter.

"A delegation of citizens from Macon district, No. 6," according to the minutes of the proceedings of the board, "requested the Board of Education to request the Macon district school committee to review the action of said committee in selecting Miss Emily Milam as a high school teacher in the Macon High school to fill the place formerly held by Mrs. J. T. Bell; or to ask the State Board of Education to give said delegation a hearing with respect to this matter. A petition was exhibited, addressed to the district committee, asking the committee to give the place again to Mrs. Bell, which petition, it was represented, had not been acted upon by the committee. This petition bore the names of a large number of persons, both adults and school children.

"After due deliberation, the Board later resolved to ask State Superintendent A. T. Allen what its functions are with respect to reviewing the election of teachers by its committees; and also to request the State Superintendent and, or the State Board of Education to hear the lips of the protestants if and when they shall ask that this be done and a suitable time be set."

On petition of the committee in District No. 7, for local reasons, it was ordered that the Littleton High school shall open on Monday, September 11, with understanding that it shall be closed for teachers' meeting on September 13. Other white schools will open on September 14.

It was ordered that one or two trucks run to Middleburg from Drewry on Thursday and Friday, September 7 and 8, on account of school opening.

Mr. Dillard asked that the Board request the state school commission to send the Inez school truck to Sunny Hill, he residing about two miles from the truck route on the highway. Later it was held that

Tax Scrolls Are At Water Office

Tax scrolls of the Town of Warrenton are to be found in the office of the Warrenton Water Company. Mayor Frank H. Gibbs asks that taxpayers who have not signed these scrolls do so at once to avoid the penalty provided by law.

LONG BEATS WIFE

James Moss, young negro man, was fined \$10 and costs on Monday by Magistrate Macy Pridgen for assaulting Agnes Allen.

Mayor Rides Rats

A story of how Mayor Frank H. Gibbs has been taking rats to ride for the past weeks came to light when he carried his car to a service station to have it lubricated and the squeaks removed.

At the service station Laurie Beddoe applied oil and grease on the mayor's chariot, but the squeaks, or disturbing noise, continued. He became suspicious and started an investigation. Under the body of the car the service station man found a rat's nest with five or six young rodents squirming therein. He removed the nest and reported the matter to the mayor.

Seaman Declines Serve As Member Of Town Board

Peter G. Seaman declined to accept the appointment as member of the Board of Town Commissioners made by the city board at its regular meeting here on Monday and the board continues to be one member shy.

Mr. Seaman was elected a member after John G. Tarwater had sent the board a letter from South Carolina, where he is on the tobacco market, expressing his regrets that he would be unable to serve as a member of the board.

Mr. Tarwater was elected to the position after W. Pryor Rodwell resigned for business reasons. Mr. Rodwell was nominated Commissioner in the primary this summer when the entire old board, with the exception of H. W. Rodwell, was swept from office. The town charter calls for seven commissioners.

Mayor Gibbs, acting as spokesman for the special hotel committee composed of himself and Commissioner A. A. Williams, at Mr.

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Masked Robbers Hold Up Ellis Store; Rob Mrs. Ellis of \$112; Dress Is Ripped From Body In Struggle; Escape In Car

Two masked white men held up Mrs. Ella Ellis shortly after 9 o'clock on Wednesday night as she was finishing up her day's work at Ellis' store near the Box Mill and robbed her of \$112.

They made their escape in a Chevrolet coupe and officers have made no arrests.

According to Mrs. Ellis' story, she was getting ready to close her place of business when an automobile drove up containing two men and one of them, remarking that he wanted a pack of cigarettes, went into the store. The other followed to the store porch. The engine of the car was left running.

As she turned to go behind the counter the first robber grabbed her, demanded her money and snatched a sack containing \$12 in change from her hand. He poked a gun in her face and told her if she screamed he would kill her.

Monkey Pulls Check From Shirt Pocket Of Hicks

Tasker Hicks was robbed by a monkey on Wednesday.

The robbery took place at Charlie Powell's service station at Wise when the animal leaped on the man, tore his shirt and removed a check from his shirt pocket.

Hicks said that he was unaware of the robbery until he reached home and looked for the check to make a deposit. Finding the paper gone, he returned to the service station and began questioning several people who had been present when the animal leaped on him. No one had seen the robbery and the owner of the monkey said that he did not know anything about it. The crowd trekked to the monkey cage where the check was found torn into small particles. The monkey had to be whipped back before he would depart with the scraps of paper.

Roy Long was on Thursday sentenced to the roads for a period of 30 days by Magistrate Macy Pridgen for assaulting Mrs. Long.

Tobacco Farmers To Meet Here Monday

Roosevelt Promises His Help In Wire To Ehringhaus

RALEIGH, Sept. 7.—President F. D. Roosevelt has given Governor John C. B. Ehringhaus personal assurance of administration support in securing better prices for flue-cured tobacco.

In a telegram made public on Thursday by the Governor; President Roosevelt expressed regret that due to his late arrival in Washington he was unable to see Governor Ehringhaus and the committee of delegates Tuesday then in the capital seeking assistance of the federal government in the tobacco crisis.

Governor Ehringhaus plans to issue a proclamation before Monday, calling upon all interested citizens to offer their services in the sign-up campaign. Warehousemen have already placed their organizations at the disposal of county agents in the whirlwind drive.

According to crop estimates on bright leaf, flue-cured tobacco, compiled by the State Department of Agriculture, North Carolina tobacco growers should benefit to the tune of almost \$8,000,000 in the emergency price-improvement program launched here Wednesday.

WALLACE ANNOUNCES PLAN FOR FLUE CURED TOBACCO

A production adjustment plan for the 1934 flue-cured tobacco crop will be put into operation as soon as details of the program are worked out. This was announced today by Secretary Wallace and Administrators George N. Peck and Charles J. Brand, following a conference with Chester C. Davis, director of the production division, Agricultural Adjustment Administration.

Secretary Wallace also announced

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To Be Urged To Sign-Up To Reduce Production Of Crop Next Year

A WHIRLWIND CAMPAIGN

Tobacco growers and other interested citizens are asked to come to the court house here on Monday at 2 o'clock for a mass meeting which has been called for the purpose of getting Warren county producers to take part in the state-wide movement to curtail next year's acreage in order that higher prices may be secured for this year's crop.

The meeting is called here in conjunction with plans formulated at Raleigh on Wednesday when upward of 800 farmers and business men, including more than 100 official delegates from the 57 flue-cured producing counties of the state and representatives from South Carolina, Virginia and Georgia, gave unanimous endorsement to the government plan for raising prices contingent upon production control over the next two years.

Simultaneous with the meeting here, sign-up activities will be in progress in other counties of this state as well as in other flue-cured tobacco producing states. Success in all of them is essential to operation of the Federal program to secure parity prices for this year's crop—both for growers who have sold their tobacco and those yet to take it to market.

In addition to the meeting here on Monday, meetings will be held in various parts of the county during the week in order to explain the plan which has been agreed upon and to secure the signatures of farmers in the whirlwind sign-up campaign.

Following is the schedule of place and time these meetings are to be held:

- Warrenton court house—10 a. m., Tuesday, Sept. 12.
- Afton school house—2 p. m., Tuesday, Sept. 12.
- Hect's Grove—4:30 p. m., Tuesday, Sept. 12.
- Norlina—8:00 Tuesday night, Sept. 12.
- Wise—10 a. m., Wednesday, September 13.
- Drewry—10 a. m., Wednesday, Sept. 13.
- Macon—2 p. m., Wednesday, Sept. 13.
- Churchill—2 p. m., Wednesday, Sept. 13.
- Vaughan—10 a. m., Thursday, Sept. 14.
- Inez—2 p. m., Thursday, September 14.

It will be seen from the above schedule that two or more meetings are to be held on the same day and in some instances at an identical hour. This is due to the fact that every effort is being made to put the sign-up campaign across as soon as possible in order that warehouses which have been closed all this week in accord with a proclamation issued last Friday by Governor Ehringhaus might reopen for the sale of tobacco.

Bob Bright, who has been serving as emergency county agent since the government came to the rescue of cotton growers, and his county committee composed of E. Hunter Pinnell, Gerald Allen and German Walker, have selected the following citizens from over the county to give their aid in putting the tobacco reduction campaign across:

- Inez—J. C. Powell, S. W. Powell and B. W. Alston.
- Norlina—S. N. Hawks, W. A. Delbridge, R. L. Yancey, Elben Mulchi, T. T. Hawks.
- Macon and Churchill—Theo Stallings, Walter Smiley, W. W. Halthcock, F. M. Drake, N. M. Thornton, Joe Neal.
- Vaughan and Littleton—J. V. Shearin, W. R. Wiggins, W. G. Little.
- Hect's Grove and Afton—W. E. Turner, J. K. Pinnell, C. J. Fleming.
- Warrenton—W. N. Boyd, W. A. Connell Jr., S. G. Wilson, Edward

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