

## HOTEL WARREN IS ADVERTISED

To Be Sold At Public Auction On January 29 By Order of Hood

TOWN IS TO BID \$16,500

Hotel Warren is advertised to be sold at public auction at noon on January 29 by W. H. Dameron, Executor of B. B. Williams, Trustee, upon written request of Gurney P. Hood, Commissioner of Banks ex rel. Bank of Warren, holder of \$16,500 per cent of the outstanding bonds. The notice of sale was placed in today's Warren Record by Julius Banzet, attorney.

Citizens of Warrenton voted on December 12 overwhelmingly in favor of authorizing the town commissioners to spend a sum not to exceed \$16,500 to acquire the property of the Hotel Corporation in the event it was put up at public sale. Rumors of other bidders on the property willing to go higher than the \$16,500 have not been confirmed and it is believed that the town will acquire complete control of the property in which it has already invested nearly \$100,000 ten days after the sale on the 29th of next month. Under the law bids may be raised within ten days after a public sale.

The property is being sold under deed of trust dated April 1, 1923, given at the time bonds were issued in the amount of \$30,000 to build an annex to the then constituted hotel.

## Expresses Thanks For Christmas Aid

One hundred and two needy families were aided at this Christmas by the more fortunate people of this county. Miss Lucy Leach, county welfare officer, states in expressing her appreciation to the organizations and individuals which were responsible for leaving happiness at the homes of these poor people at this Yuletide season. Miss Leach writes as follows:

Warrenton, N. C.  
Dec. 28, 1933.

### AN APPRECIATION

"Thanks be to God for His unspeakable Gift!"

"Since we keep Christmas in memory of God's gift of His Son to us, we feel that this is a time for us to give to those less fortunate than we are. In order to contact the needy families in the county before Christmas, I requested my Chairman of the Welfare Work in the different localities to send in to me the names of the needy families in their communities that would not be remembered at Christmas time. These were listed as Christmas opportunities. Seventy of these opportunities were taken by interested citizens, but 102 needy families were aided. It is impossible to thank all taking part in helping make glad the hearts of these unfortunate ones. But we feel we must thank the Boy and Girl Scouts of Warrenton for their cooperation. Several weeks before Christmas the boys collected old toys, and the girls dolls; these toys and dolls were mended and painted, so that they looked almost as good as new. The Boy and Girl Scouts both took some of the opportunities, bringing to my office the things that they had left over.

"Allen's Bible Class of Warrenton filled 105 stockings and brought them to my office. Then just before Christmas the Boy and Girl Scouts of Warrenton made a house to house canvass, collecting old clothes, magazines and old toys. So after all the opportunities were taken, with what was left over we aided most of the families that were not taken as Christmas opportunities.

"There were some old people that were not remembered. Youth must be served," it seems, at all times, but particularly at Christmas, people seem to think of little children.

### CHRISTMAS PROGRAM TO BE GIVEN ON SUNDAY

LITTLETON, Dec. 28.—A Christmas program, under the direction of Mrs. J. B. Latham, will be given at the M. E. Church on December 31 at 7:30 o'clock.

The "Holy City," as a pantomime, will be presented by the young girls, and Christmas music will be rendered by the choir.

### New AAA Chief



Chester C. Davis, (above), former chief of the Crop Production Division of the AAA, is now Agricultural Adjustment Administrator, succeeding George H. Peek who heads the Federal Foreign Trade Committee.

### Bank of Warren And Bank Macon Pay Ten Per Cent

Depositors who had funds tied up in the Bank of Warren and the Bank of Macon when these institutions were forced to close their doors, received dividend checks aggregating \$22,500 during the Christmas holidays. Each of the defunct banks paid 10 per cent.

Those with money in the Bank of Warren received their checks two or three days before Christmas and on Wednesday of this week checks were being mailed to depositors of the Bank of Macon.

The 10 per cent payment made at this time by the Bank of Warren turned loose nearly a thousand checks representing a total of \$20,000. This is the fourth payment made by the bank since it was closed. The first time it paid 20 per cent and the last three times it has paid ten per cent.

The 250 dividend checks issued by the Bank of Macon at this time represents a sum of \$2,500. Including the present payment, the bank has paid its depositors 20 per cent of the amount on deposit when the bank closed.

### Corn-Hog Contract Offers Good Income

A premium on hogs and a rental payment for corn land taken out of production in 1934 is offered North Carolina farmers along with those of the middle west.

"I would suggest that farmers of North Carolina who are growing either corn or hogs for commercial purposes to make plans to sign a corn-hog reduction contract, especially where they are also signing either the tobacco or cotton contracts for 1934," says W. W. Shay, swine extension specialist at State College. "The Agricultural Adjustment Administration is attempting to reduce the production of corn and hogs with the view of increasing the prices of the two commodities. Therefore the AAA will pay rent for corn land according to its fertility and will pay a premium on hogs if the growers will reduce the number of pigs farrowed and sold."

Shay offers to give any corn-hog farmer definite information about how the plan is to be worked if the matter is taken up with him early enough for the movement to get started in this State.

To obtain benefits under the corn plan, for instance, Shay says the grower must agree to reduce his corn acreage by 20 per cent under the average of 1932 and 1933. He may then collect at the rate of 30 cents a bushel for the corn which this rented land was capable of producing. Thus, if a man grew an average of 100 acres of corn in 1932 and 1933 and reduced this amount to 80 in 1934, he may collect a rental payment for the 20 acres on the basis of what the land had produced. If the land had produced 40 bushels to the acre, then rental for the 20 acres would amount to \$240—a very good rental for the average corn land in North Carolina.

### RIDGEWAY ITEMS

The marriage of Miss Nina Daek to Mr. Lee Hamme Jr. of Oxford was announced this week. They were married in late December of the year 1932.

### A Correction

It was stated last week that Miss Katherine Seaman becomes the bride of Mr. Arnold Seaman on December 27th. It should have read: Miss Katherine Seaman becomes the bride of Mr. Albert Seaman on December 27th.

Mr. Leon Joyner of Chapel Hill was a visitor at Warrenton Thursday afternoon.

## FIRE BRINGS ON HEART ATTACK

Rev. D. A. Fishel Dies During Fire That Destroyed Home At Vaughan

### FUNERAL ON THURSDAY

The Rev. D. A. Fishel, 84, died as the result of heart failure caused by excitement and over-exertion when his home at Vaughan was completely destroyed by fire which originated around 7 o'clock on Tuesday evening.

Mr. Fishel and his daughter, Miss Pearl Fishel, were in front of the house when they were notified that the kitchen of their home was on fire. The aged minister rushed to the back of the house calling for assistance, fainted and died within a few minutes. He had been suffering with heart trouble for some time.

Funeral services were conducted at Sunset cemetery, Littleton, on Thursday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock by Dr. S. W. Taylor of High Point, the Rev. Francis Joyner and the Rev. Rufus Bradley of Littleton.

Mr. Fishel is survived by the following children: William, Harry, Solomon and Miss Pearl Fishel of Vaughan, Ben Fishel of Philadelphia and Mrs. Paul A. Johnston of Littleton.

D. A. Fishel, son of Jacob and Susan Woosley Fishel, was born in Davidson county, December 6, 1849. He attended high school and educated himself for the Methodist Protestant ministry, in which faith he actively served for about 40 years.

In April, 1878, he married Emma Jane Nicholson of Vaughan. For a number of years, Mr. Fishel was engaged in lumber industry and farming from which he created a rather large estate. For the past several years he had been largely withdrawn from the lumber industry and devoted himself to farming in which he maintained an active interest until the time of his death.

### Largest Man Born In North Carolina

"I bet that none of you folks know that the largest man that ever lived was born and raised in North Carolina," said a Tar Heel at the Hoffman House in Washington City, the other night. "His dimensions and existence are both vouched for in the American Encyclopedia."

"His name was Miles Darden. He was seven feet, six inches high and in 1847 weighed 8 1/2 pounds. He was born in North Carolina in 1798 and died in Tennessee January 23, 1857. Until 1853, he was able to go about his work in an active manner, but his weight increased so fast that in after years when he wanted to move about he had to be hauled in a two horse wagon. In 1839 it is chronicled that his coat was buttoned around three men each weighing 200 pounds, who walked together down the streets of Lexington, N. C. At his death he is said to have weighed not less than 1,000 pounds. His coffin was eight feet long, 35 inches deep, 52 inches across the breast, 18 inches across the head and 14 inches across the feet. These measurements were taken at that time and are matters of historical record."

### Illinois Free Of Property Taxes

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Dec. 28.—Illinois today abolished real estate and personal property taxes so far as state assessments were concerned. It was the first complete substitution of a sales tax for property taxes in the United States.

The step was taken after state officials decided a two per cent tax on retail sales, with perhaps some help from liquor taxation, would be adequate to replace the \$35,000,000 levied annually in recent years on general property.

Although cities, counties, park systems, sanitary districts, and other local units will continue to tax real and personal property, abolition of the state's share of the revenue will result in a saving of from seven to 19 per cent to property owners.

Messrs. Howard Jones Jr. and P. D. Jones attended a dance given at Rocky Mount on Thursday night of last week.

Dr. and Mrs. W. D. Rodgers attended a dance given at Henderson on Wednesday night.

### Champ Farm Orator



Women from 33 states competed in the Public Speaking contest for women at the Federation of American Farm Bureau's convention at Chicago. The championship went to Mrs. William Fender, above, of Meadowbrook, Nebraska.

### Many Changes Are Made In Method Of Operating Banks

By P. D. McLEAN In The Raleigh Times

On January 1 the federal government, in a nation-wide movement, will attempt to convert commercial banking houses from public book-keeping machines into sound financial institutions with all deposits up to \$2,500 insured in full.

North Carolina bankers, following numerous group meetings, have agreed upon a code of operation to become effective on that date, bringing State banking institutions within the scope of the national banking bill and the national bankers' code.

The national code requires that no account be carried at a loss to the bank or at cost to any other depositor and in accordance specifies that service charges be levied on all unprofitable accounts.

### Service Charges

The North Carolina code allows one free transaction on each \$12 of collected balance above the minimum of \$50. For all extra transactions, including checks and deposits a charge of four cents each will be levied. North Carolina bankers had agreed upon a service charge of three cents per item but national code authorities required that this be raised to four cents. A minimum charge of ten cents will be made for cashing checks.

On small accounts, charges will be determined by average monthly balances while on large, active accounts the number of items subject to service charges will be arrived at by analysis of accounts deducting items in transit from book balances. The code specifies that all church accounts, accounts of officers, directors and employees of banks shall be subject to service charges when unprofitable to the bank. Every account, regardless of size, must be self-supporting.

The code regulations provide: "No account shall be carried at a loss to the bank or at the expense of other accounts or other depositors. There shall be no exceptions to this rule. It shall apply equally to church organizations, charitable organizations, fraternal organizations and the like, the accounts of banks, bank officers and employees, the accounts of their families and relatives, the personal accounts of corporation officials, members of firms, or other business concerns, regardless of the size of the accounts maintained by such corporation, firm, or other business."

To the man on the street this means that if he desires to keep household books by means of a checking account he must pay the freight or keep sufficient cash balance earning, at three per cent interest, the cost of handling his financial transactions.

Checking will become a costly practice on unprofitable accounts. For instance, the cost of drawing and mailing a five dollar check against an unprofitable bank account will be eight cents—four cents bank service charge, two cents federal tax and two cents postage.

In return the depositor gets insurance of his account up to \$2,500 with the full strength of the federal government supporting his banking house.

The code also levies uniform charges for trust, safe deposit, night depositories and other banking services. Deposits however, are not subject to charge unless the account is checked against.

Maximum interest rates on savings deposits are set at three per cent but one provision operates decidedly in the depositor's favor. (Continued on Page 3)

## DEFERS ACTION ON AFTON LOAN

Board Moves To Consider Application For Loan At Meeting On Monday

### A QUESTION OF SCHOOL

Action toward giving approval to a loan of \$12,000 for the Afton-Elberon Special school district was deferred until the regular meeting of the Board of County Commissioners on Monday at a special meeting of the board called to consider the application for such loan on Wednesday morning.

A motion to approve the loan contingent upon CWA appropriation with a provision that the loan would become null and void if the State School Commission decided not to establish a standard high school in that district was made by Commissioner Skinner and Seconded by Commissioner Wall. Following a lengthy discussion of the matter in executive session the commissioners decided to postpone action until Monday in order that the Commission's attitude might be learned in regard to the establishment of a standard high school at Afton-Elberon.

The Afton-Elberon school committee in seeking a loan from the State Literary fund similar to ones granted at Norlina, Littleton and other districts of the county, plan to have erected a \$60,000 school building with the use of CWA labor.

The commissioners motioned that CWA forces soil red places in roads lying between Johnston School House and Vaughan and between Johnston School House and the rail road.

Much of the time of the Commissioners on Monday was spent in Executive Session, largely for discussion of the Afton-Elberon loan application. Adjournment came shortly after noon.

### Negro, Struck By Car, Is Recovering

Frank Williams, negro, is recovering in the Jubilee Hospital at Henderson from injuries he received on Saturday night when he was struck by an automobile driven by Donald Scott. His injuries, it was said, were not as serious as it was at first thought, and it is expected that he will be released from the hospital as soon as the soreness leaves his body.

According to a report of the accident given here, Mr. Scott, who was traveling towards Warrenton about 9 o'clock Saturday night, met a car on the highway near the home of W. D. Rodgers. The lights from the approaching vehicle prevented him from seeing the pedestrian, it was said, until the car passed. Seeing the negro a short distance from him, Mr. Scott pulled his car to the left, however, the negro, who it was said, had been drinking, wavered in front of the vehicle and was struck.

Williams, unconscious from the force of the impact, was picked up by Mr. Scott and brought to Warrenton where he was given first aid treatment by Dr. W. D. Rodgers and Dr. G. H. Macon. He was later carried to Henderson by Jack Shearin and Earle Shearin and Tom Branch the latter a negro janitor at the court house.

Sheriff W. J. Pinnell, R. O. Snipes and Robert Scott visited the scene shortly after the accident occurred. After examining automobile tracks, which showed that the car did not leave the concrete, and making other examinations and observations, blame for the accident was not attached to Mr. Scott, it was stated.

### BAPTIST SERVICES SUNDAY

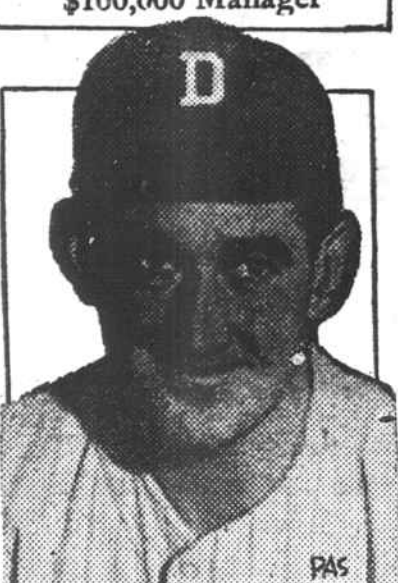
Preaching services will be held at the Warrenton Baptist Church on Sunday morning at 11 o'clock and at the Macon Baptist Church on Sunday evening at 7 o'clock, the Rev. R. E. Brickhouse announced this week.

Miss Anna Cohoon of Suffolk, Va., formerly of the John Graham High School faculty, and Miss Anna Watson of Enfield were visitors here yesterday.

Mr. "Sunny" Lawson spent Christmas with his grandparents in Alabama.

Mr. Jerman Boyd of Erwin will spend Saturday and Sunday here with his mother, Mrs. R. B. Boyd.

### \$100,000 Manager



Mickey Cochrane, star catcher, who was purchased by the Detroit A. L. club from Connie Mack's Philadelphia club for \$100,000 and made manager of the Tigers for 1934.

### County Enjoys Quiet Christmas; Merchants Busy

With the stubborn resistance of Old Man Depression being broken sufficiently to permit St. Nicholas to find his way to more homes than he had been able to during the past three or four years and with the people at large remaining peaceful and cautious, Warrenton and Warren county enjoyed a good, quiet, Christmas and Christmas week.

While Santa Claus was preparing to make his visit, merchants were kept busy waiting on customers who treked here from all parts of the county to give Warrenton the largest pre-Christmas shopping crowds that the town has enjoyed in several years. These people, many of them enlivened by the feel of money for the first time since the depression set in four years ago, passed shekels over the counters comparatively freely in order that they and theirs might again know the joys of a Christmas.

And those who were again caught this Christmas without money were given some of the pleasures of the Yuletide season. Miss Lucy Leach, county welfare officer, said that the poor were treated better this Christmas than they had been in four years. The public joined in spreading Christmas joy by contributing to agencies and by personally seeing to it that "opportunities" were spared the tragedy of a cheerless Christmas.

There was apparently little drinking during the week. Officers at Warrenton and over the county had a quiet Christmas as few violations of law, and these of a minor nature, have been reported.

In the social spheres, many families were united as boys and girls returned from schools and older members came from the marts of trade and profession to be with the "home folk". A card dance at Hotel Warren on Tuesday night was the most outstanding mark on the social calendar.

### Weather Man Missed Guess

RALEIGH, Dec. 28.—North Carolinians who had heard of the weatherman's warning to expect a 16-degree temperature early Thursday morning got a warm surprise—the mercury only dropped to 29.

Lee A. Denson, in charge of the United States Weather Bureau here, said the cold wave which gripped the north and most of the nation, bringing a mercury of 40 degrees below zero at Winnipeg, Canada, had been "temporarily checked in the gulf and Atlantic states."

Mr. Denson said the outlook was for a continuation of cold weather in this state, with probably slightly lower temperatures for the next few days, though no sharp drop was now looked for.

Raleigh's lowest mercury of the winter was 34 degrees Wednesday.

### GEORGIA FARMERS GET MORE FOR THEIR CROPS

ATHENS, Ga., Dec. 28.—Georgia farmers for 1933 received a total of \$128,863,000 for their crops, an increase of 92 percent over last year, said a report today from the Georgia crop reporting service.

The reason for the increase, the report said, is two-fold, "recent improvement in prices and substantial increases in production over last year for the main cash crops."

Misses Mattie Wiggins Dameron and Lucy Baskerville and Messrs. William Baskerville and William Dameron attended a dance given at Rocky Mount Friday night of last week.

## PLAN TO BUILD LIBRARY HOME

Committee Seeks CWA Aid; Commissioners Grant 99-Year Lease

### MRS. O'BERRY APPROVES

Plans have been started for the erection of a library building on the court square, permission to use the ground for this purpose has been granted by the board of county commissioners, Mrs. Thomas O'Berry, State Civil Works Administrator has approved the project, and if such approval meets with Washington's oke, work on the structure is expected to be begun early in the new year.

W. T. Polk, President of Warren County Memorial Library, and C. A. Tucker, member of the building committee, appeared before the county commissioners at their called meeting here on Wednesday and obtained unanimous consent to erect a building to be used for library purposes only on the southwestern part of the court square. As long as this building is used for this purpose, a member of the board of commissioners is to be an ex-officio member of the board of trustees of the library, according to the minutes granting permission to erect the structure. If the proposed building is used for any other purpose than that of a public library the lease, granted for 99 years, is to become null and void, as it will unless structure is erected within one year from date of the meeting granting the lease.

Following the granting of the lease, Messrs. Polk, Tucker, E. G. Allen, Commissioner John L. Skinner and Civil Works Administrator Jesse Gardner went to Raleigh to interview Mrs. Thomas O'Berry, State Administrator, who, according to Mr. Tucker, spoke very favorably of the project, promising her approval and that the application for funds for this purpose would be forwarded to Washington promptly.

The building committee is composed of C. A. Tucker, V. F. Ward and J. Edward Allen. Mr. Tucker said yesterday that the committee, in the event that the CWA application met with Federal approval, planned to erect a one story building with basement 28x41 on the west side of the court square as near Market Street as practical. The structure will be built to harmonize with the court house. The main floor will house between 6,500 and 7,000 volumes. The basement will contain an assembly room and heating plant and will be designed so that additional storage room for books can be provided.

The cost of the proposed building is to be \$6,000, Mr. Tucker continued. The CWA is asked to furnish about \$4300 of this amount, including labor and one third of the material. The library association is to provide the remainder. Nearly \$1,000 of this remainder is on hand in a special building fund as a result of a gift a few years ago by Charlie Tannerhill of New York and smaller donations from civic organizations of the town. It is planned to borrow around six or seven hundred dollars to be repaid in lieu of rent now paid by the library for its present quarters.

After the building is constructed, it is planned to landscape the grounds between the court house and the library.

Minutes passed unanimously by the board of county commissioners on Wednesday read as follows: "Motioned by Commissioner Skinner, seconded by Commissioner Wall, that the county lease to the Warren County Library, Inc., a lot of land, the size of the library building to be erected, for a period of 99 years, for use as a county library site on the southern part of the Court House square. Said lease to be null and void for non use of said site for a county library for a period of one year. And that a member of the board of county commissioners be an ex-officio member of said library board during the continuance of said lease. This option not to be effective unless such building is erected."

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Mrs. Arthur Pendleton of Raleigh and daughter, Miss Sylbert Pendleton of Washington, D. C., were guests in the home of Mrs. Katherine P. Arrington last night.