

BOARD STUDIES FIRE PROBLEM

Appoint Committee To Investigate Methods Of Other Towns

REDUCE POLICE FORCE

Harold R. Skillman and W. R. Strickland were appointed by the Board of Town Commissioners on Monday night as a committee to work with W. H. Burroughs, fire chief, towards securing better fire protection for the town of Warrenton.

Members of this committee are expected to visit other towns and inspect their equipment, find out the cost of a new engine, pump, hose and other paraphernalia used by modern companies in fighting fires. They will then make recommendations to the board at a called meeting or at the regular meeting in February.

The discussion of the fire proposition was projected in the meeting given after the commissioners arrived. Fire Chief William Burroughs told members of the board that in his opinion the volunteer company did not mix well with what they had to work with but that they were handicapped by lack of equipment. Following his remarks he offered to co-operate with the board in any way possible. Mr. Skillman and Mr. Strickland were appointed to work with him.

The only other action taken by the board at this meeting, aside from payment of bills, was to discontinue the services of Deputy Sheriff Roy Shearin at the end of the present month. Mr. Shearin was appointed temporarily by the board to assist in looking after the peace of the town during certain hours. The commissioners expressed the opinion that the regular force would be adequate to police the town now that the Christmas season is over and there seems to be no great amount of crime there.

Cash Bonus Bill May Be Passed By Present Congress

Payment of the bonus as an essential part of the recovery program has been recommended by the Ways and Means Committee and it is expected that the House will vote for the full payment of the bonuses.

The chances for its passage in the Senate are regarded as being more favorable than they have been in the past.

Senator Bailey, who opposed bonus legislation in previous Congresses, stated on Wednesday that he had changed his mind and now favors the bill. He stated that the result of an agreement on the bonus satisfactory to the President, the veterans and the Congress. The low interest rates now available to the government make such a settlement far more practicable than at any time heretofore," he said.

In recommending to the House payment of the bonus, the report of the Ways and Means committee stated: "Immediate cash payment of the adjusted service certificates will increase the purchasing power of the nation. It believes that it is an essential part of the recovery program, that the present policy looking toward recovery argues strongly that this debt, which is unpaid, due and unpaid, should be paid in cash to the defenders of our country, who rendered the services, and paid in their lifetime."

The committee said that additional money immediately necessary for payment would be about one billion dollars. It added the "contingency" that the adjusted service certificates "is an acknowledgment of the war service of the then power of our American manhood, that it should be recognized in a small adjustment of the service pay, and that the veterans should receive that payment in their lifetime."

HOSTESS TO CLUB

Miss F. M. Allen was hostess to the club yesterday afternoon. High prize was won by Mrs. Edmund White. Miss Eula Allen, the only guest, was also presented a prize. A sweet course with coffee was served.

Mrs. T. D. Peck of Henderson was a guest of Mrs. G. H. Macon Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Tim Thompson have taken an apartment in the home of Mrs. H. P. Reid. Mrs. Norman H. Newell and son, Norman Jr., are spending this week with Mrs. W. J. Edwards of Green-

County Board Passes One Of Its Quietest Days

Members of the Board of County Commissioners held one of the quietest sessions on Monday that the present members have ever experienced.

When the meeting, which was of minor importance except to those who had bills which they wish converted into cash, came to a close at 2:30 o'clock in the afternoon, Chairman W. H. Burroughs commented: "I have been here seven years and this was the quietest session I ever attended."

The small crowd in the commissioners room throughout the day and the decrease in calls for appropriations was attributed to the disagreeableness of the weather.

All members of the board were present except H. L. Wall who lives across the river. The minutes of the meeting follows:

Ordered that beer license be issued to Mr. Joe Atkins of Littleton for a period of six months for the sum of \$12.50.

Ordered that Napoleon Burt (col), Fork township, be exempted from payment of poll tax, he being over 50 years of age.

Ordered that the monthly appropriation of Chas. Goode be increased to \$4.00 per month for four months.

Ordered that \$5.00 be appropriated to help defray conveyance expense of Rev. H. R. Miller to Raleigh.

Ordered that \$2.00 per month be appropriated for Laura Alston.

Ordered that \$4.00 per month be appropriated for R. L. Sullivan for four months.

Ordered that \$2.00 be appropriated for one month for George Shearin.

Five Persons Seek To Become Postmaster

At least five persons are known to have filed application for the position of postmaster of the Warrenton office, to succeed Mrs. Nannie McI. Moore who some time ago tendered her resignation to become effective at the expiration of her present term in March of this year.

Among those who secured applications from the post office before the filing date came to a close are Miss Effie Ellington, Robert Scott, Martin Davis, Fred Moseley and Edward Rooker Jr.

These applicants will not be required to stand a competitive civil service examination in order to become eligible for the position, it is understood. The appointment, it was stated, is to be made by President Roosevelt upon recommendation of Congressman John H. Kerr. The appointment is then confirmed by the senate.

Inasmuch as Mrs. Moore surrenders her place within a few weeks, it is presumed that Congressman Kerr will give his endorsement to one of the candidates within the next few days.

Floods Sweep Away Eden Flat

The flat at Eden's ferry was snatched loose and driven down the Roanoke to some unknown destination by the huge blocks of ice which floated down the river when the weather began to moderate several days ago, it was learned this week from Jasper Shearin. No one was on the flat, which had been made fast near the shore.

Mr. Shearin also revealed some history in connection with the Roanoke. He said that it was known to have frozen over five times, these unusual occasions being in 1857, 1892, 1893, 1917 and 1935.

Henry Stansbury Buried Wednesday

Funeral services for Henry Stansbury, 45, were conducted from his home on the outskirts of Warrenton Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock by the Rev. R. E. Brickhouse. Burial took place in Fairview cemetery.

Mr. Stansbury died early Monday morning. He is survived by his wife and several children.

Mr. W. J. Mayfield of Camden, S. C., is visiting relatives in Warrenton county.

Misses Elizabeth and Virginia Vaughan and Mr. Junius Aycock and Mr. Fred Dortch were visitors in Jacksonville last week end.

Miss Frances Hayes visited her sister, Miss Alice Hayes, at St. Lukes Hospital, Richmond, recently.

Lindbergh Host?



LONDON . . . Aubrey Neil Morgan (above), husband of the late Elizabeth Morrow, will likely be host to Colonel and Mrs. Charles Lindbergh and their son Jon, at his secluded home at Cardiff, Wales. Kidnapping threats at home brought the Lindberghs here.

Wife-Husband Trouble Is Aired In County Court

The old, old story of man and wife not being able to live together in peace and harmony was told in Recorder's court on Monday morning when two women, one of them white and the other colored, came into the Temple of Justice to have their husbands punished for abusing them.

Mrs. Joe Brown, nee Pearl Billings, told the court that the happiness of her married life was injured by her husband slapping her. After she had given an account of her domestic troubles she was asked by Judge Taylor if she wanted to continue to live with her husband. She at first replied in the negative but later said that she did "if he will treat me right." The judgment of the court was that the defendant be taxed with the costs.

Charlie Coleman's wife, negro, said that her husband had grabbed her rather forcibly about the body and had choked her. The husband admitted catching hold of her but denied putting his hand around her throat to choke her. He said that she had "low-rated" his parents. After hearing both sides of the case, the solicitor took a nol. pros.

Fenne: Peoples, white man who engaged in a fracas on the cotton mill hill a year or more ago, faced a charge of assault due to the fact that his case was re-docketed on account of not having paid the costs in the case. He was ordered to the roads for a period of 30 days.

Howard Alston, negro who was brought into court under a capias, paid up his costs in a case that had been on the docket for some time.

Sidney Rooker, white, was told that he would have to pay. Several others for whom capias had been issued had paid up since last week, while others, who are still in arrears in their payments, were out of the county or could not be located by the sheriff.

Christmas Calls Drain Charity Chest

As might have been expected during the month which not only embraced the Yuletide season but also brought with it the coldest and roughest spell of weather that this county has experienced in years, disbursements from the county Charity Chest exceeded receipts in December.

Miss Lucy Leach, welfare officer, said that \$86.00 was donated by the more fortunate for the poor during the past month but there was such a heavy demand for relief that \$113.00 had to be pulled from the Charity Chest, which was padded by funds contributed during the recent drive conducted by the Welfare Board.

In addition to the money that was spent from the welfare office to relieve suffering and brighten on Christmas morning, Miss Leach said that 92 Christmas Opportunities were taken by persons who wished to share the joy of the season.

In commenting on expenditures and receipts, the welfare officer stated that her department is continually called on for help from the destitute who are unable to eke out an existence and have no other place to go for the bare necessities of life. She asks that the public bear this in mind and make contributions whenever possible in order that the welfare department may continue to relieve suffering humanity and at the same time stay out of the red.

DR. CULLOM TO PREACH

Dr. W. R. Cullom of Wake Forest College will preach at Brown's church on Sunday morning, Jan. 12, at 11 o'clock.

SUPERIOR COURT OPENS MONDAY

Criminal Docket Regarded As Being Very Light; No Murder Case

CRANMER TO PRESIDE

The January term of Warren county Superior court will open here on Monday morning with Judge E. H. Cranmer of Southport presiding. This will be the first time that Judge Cranmer has held court in Warren county since May 1931, at which time four murder cases were tried.

When the Southport jurist comes to Warren county this time he will not preside over a single murder case unless one finds its way on the docket between now and the duration of criminal court.

Fourteen cases have been placed on the criminal docket since the September term of court, but the docket is regarded as being fairly light unless the bank case is gone into during this term.

The new cases which have been added to the docket are: Charlie Ellis, negro, charged with attempted rape; Ray Weston and Beulah Dean, possession of whiskey for the purpose of sale; Wilson Lee, negro, false pretense; Willic Davis, negro, breaking, entering and larceny; James Wortham, negro, false pretense; C. E. Loyd, white, and Horace Jones, negro, entering and larceny; Robert Williams, negro, larceny and receiving; Lucy Brown and Nelson Williams, negroes, immorality; Ed Bolton, negro, larceny; Charlie Williams, negro, breaking, entering and larceny; Dan Terry, negro, assault with intent to commit rape; William Cheek, negro, larceny; Wash Carter, negro, now support of minor children; John Watson, negro, embezzlement.

Cases which have been on the docket for some time, some of them for years, but which have not been disposed of are: Jack West, carrying a concealed weapon; W. H. Holloway, false pretense; Burl Ayscue, breaking and larceny; W. H. Stewart, reckless driving; Harry Lee, Ardicial Miller, Thomas Royster, breaking, entering and larceny; George B. Alston, Billie Alston, embezzlement; Murphy Alston, seduction; G. B. Gregory, Carter Williams, J. G. Ellis, L. C. Kinsey, violation of the banking laws.

Some of the above cases have been tried but are still on the docket due to the fact that the defendant or defendants are required to come into court and report; some of them have been continued on account of the defendants being on the road or having escaped from jail, and some of them have been continued at the request of the defendants, or the solicitor, for various causes.

Jurors chosen for this term of court are:

—First week—J. C. Moore, F. R. Bobbitt, Ollie A. Rose, Leon Perkinson, J. B. Pritchard, G. G. Egerton, J. F. Hunter, F. T. Read, W. A. Moore, Simon Wilson, A. J. Ellington, E. J. Perkinson, Henry Howard, P. E. Brauer, G. W. Hester, T. C. Leonard, E. W. Fleming, J. F. Ayscue, Charlie Moseley, John D. Holtzman, Fate Weaver, J. P. Harton, W. A. Connell Sr., Albert Briezke, P. G. Seaman, Billie T. Alston, C. C. Alston, C. S. Tate, E. H. Parker, C. E. Mustian, D. M. Harris, B. H. Hawks, H. E. Weldon Jr., R. H. Dillard, W. E. Turner, J. W. Shearin.

Second week—S. B. Bobbitt, T. I. Cheek, Robert Herman Pike, R. M. Alston, S. H. Bowden, W. E. Thompson, W. W. Kidd, W. K. Alston, Joe Shaw, D. R. Mustian, J. H. Knuckles, Pett B. Boyd, George S. Sinn, J. C. Hardy, Clarence Davis, R. W. Thornton, John Adcock, R. L. Brown.

W. M. U. To Meet At Louisburg 11th

On Saturday, January 11th, beginning at 10:30 o'clock, there will be held in the Baptist church in Louisburg an all-day conference on W. M. U. work, according to announcement made early this week.

Mrs. Edna R. Harris, State W. M. U. Corresponding Secretary of Raleigh, will teach the Year Book for 1936. All associational officers, W. M. S., Y. W. A., G. A., R. A. and Sunbeam leaders, counselors, presidents and other officers are urged to come. Others are invited. The hope is expressed that a delegation from every church in the Tar River Association will have a delegation present.

Mr. Tom Gillam of Henderson was a visitor here on Sunday.

Winter Comes To Seve



WASHINGTON . . . Winter in fact greeted members for the second session of the 74th Congress which convened for opening on January 3d. Upper photo is an unusual view of the national capitol, taken at dusk under its first mantle of snow of the season. Lower picture shows members of the House standing as the chaplain delivered the opening prayer.

Forest Thinning Demonstration To Be Held In County

The State Extension Service, co-operating with the office of the county agent, will hold forest thinning demonstrations in Warren county next week, County Agent Bob Bright announced yesterday.

The places and dates on which the demonstrations are to be held are: Monday, 2:30 o'clock, Clarence (Buck) Thompson's; Tuesday, 9:30 in the morning, Geo. L. Bender's farm; Tuesday, 2:30 in the afternoon, J. L. Skinner's farm.

All land-owners and renters are invited to attend these demonstrations and are asked to bring their axes with them. The trees will be marked and cut at the demonstration.

In commenting on the demonstration, the county agent stated: "The timber and firewood question is one of vital importance to the citizens of this county. The average consumption of firewood per family in this county is 15 cords of wood annually, and when you add to this the wood burned in curing tobacco you begin to understand the problem. It takes the average acre of woodland 25 years to grow 30 cords of wood."

"Again I wish to urge all land-owners and renters to attend these demonstrations and bring their axes."

Schools Collect Food For Hospital

In-as-much as the colored hospital, Jubilee, in Henderson has helped so many of the sick and indigent colored people in our county, I asked them to collect food to send to the hospital in lieu of money, since many could give food but could not give money. I really felt our colored people here were under obligations to the hospital. The superintendent told me food would be very acceptable to the hospital since they had to feed their staff and patients.

I asked that this food be collected through the schools. The following schools have sent generous boxes of all kinds of edibles: Olive Knuckles, Pett B. Boyd, George S. Sinn, J. C. Hardy, Clarence Davis, R. W. Thornton, John Adcock, R. L. Brown.

This food was taken to the hospital before Christmas, and I have received a nice letter from the superintendent of the hospital thanking the Warren county colored people for their gifts.

Often Jubilee Hospital takes in emergency cases from this county and no one becomes responsible for the bill, so little, if anything, is paid for hospitalization of patients.

BAPTIST SERVICES

The Rev. R. E. Brickhouse, pastor of the Warrenton Baptist church, announces services for Sunday, January 12, as follows: Sunday school will be held at 9:30 o'clock in the basement of the John Graham High School, and preaching service will be held by the pastor in the Presbyterian church at 11 o'clock.

AAA IS KILLED BY COURT RULING



The Agricultural Adjustment Act, under which the processing tax was collected on corn, cotton, tobacco, wheat and other farm commodities to pay parity checks for those who curtailed acreage under President Roosevelt's cherished farm aid program, was declared unconstitutional on Monday by the Supreme Court of the United States.

The momentous decision of the nine black-robed justices destroying one of the New Deal pet projects not only means that no more funds will be collected by the government in the form of the processing tax for benefit or rental payments but also causes grave fear for the survival of the Kerr-Smith tobacco act and the Bankhead cotton law. If these two measures are declared invalid, and it is a foregone conclusion that they will be, farmers of Warren county will be permitted to plant as much tobacco and cotton as they are able to finance.

While no steps have yet been taken to do away with the Seed Loan, which was created under the New Deal to loan farmers money to finance their crops, there is some doubt whether this policy will be continued if some regulatory program is not put into effect.

On the heels of the Supreme Court's decision, proponents of the measure expressed the belief that some way would be found to continue the program, and have invoked the question of a Constitutional amendment. President Roosevelt has taken no action since the opinion was handed down, however he stated at the Jackson Day dinner on Wednesday night that "justice" for agriculture would remain an objective of the Administration.

Those who are due parity checks will receive their money, and County Agent Bob Bright is at present issuing those he has on hand. It is understood that around \$20,000 is due farmers of Warren county from this source.

While the ruling of the Supreme Court did not come as a surprise here, it brought expressions of regret from the majority of those who have been heard to express themselves. There are some features of the cotton and tobacco acts, such as seemingly unfairness in some allotments which were unpopular, but the acreage curtailment program is credited to a large measure by most people with boosting the price of cotton from 6c in 1933 to 10.9c in 1935 and the price of tobacco from 6.1c to 22.7c for a similar period.

Local Camp To House Whites Only

The Warren County Prison Camp, which has been a place of confinement for both whites and blacks since it was erected here several years ago, was this week converted into a camp for white prisoners only.

The change was made on Tuesday and 20 of the 37 negro prisoners incarcerated there were sent to the Louisburg camp. The others were carried to Oxford.

Supt. Aycock said yesterday afternoon that at present he has 71 white prisoners in the Warren camp. He was expecting five more last night from Vance county where Superior court is in session.

The Warren county camp was built to take care of 75 prisoners, however, it can carry 100, according to the superintendent. It serves Warren, Franklin, Vance and Granville counties.

Seal Sale Chairman Expresses Thanks

By LILLIE BELLE DAMERON
As chairman of the tuberculosis seal sale for our community, I wish to thank each one who contributed so generously to this worthy cause. The sum of \$92.23 has been given. Of this amount one fourth will be sent to the state association and the remainder will be used for health work among our school children. It will be most gratifying to be able to report one hundred dollars and it is to be hoped that some who have overlooked the matter will send in their contributions in the next few days.

Mrs. John Kerr Jr. is visiting her parents in Richmond, Va.

Mr. and Mrs. William Newell are expected to return to day from a week's visit in Florida.

Mrs. Hugh Norvell and little daughter, Lucy Ann, have returned to Henderson.

Miss Sara Howard Ward has returned after a visit in New York and Boston.