

TO DEDICATE NEGRO CENTER

Exercises To Be Held In
Courthouse On Friday,
October 30th.

BUILT THROUGH WPA AID

Dedication exercises of the Warren County Negro Community Center building, which has recently been completed here after nearly two years of planning and work, will be held in the courthouse at Warrenton on Friday, October 30, at 10 o'clock in the morning. Members of both races are invited to attend the exercises which feature a program of outstanding white and negro speakers as well as music. The program follows:

Invocation, Rev. N. C. Check; Introductory Remarks, Rev. G. E. Check, master of ceremonies; Macon Warren County Community School Glee Club; Remarks, Prof. W. Mitchell, State Director of Farm Demonstration; Mr. William T. Polk, Chairman, Board of Trustees Warren County Memorial Library; Mr. E. G. Dorsey, Director Employment Division of W. P. A.; Mr. S. E. Jenkinson, Division Engineer, third district, W. P. A.; Mrs. Mary E. Campbell, State Director Women's Professional Projects; Music, Macon Warren County School Glee Club; Address, Hon. George W. P. A. State Administrator W. P. A.; Dedication Address, Dr. James E. Steward, president North Carolina Negroes; Accepting the building on behalf of the board of trustees, Professor J. Edward Allen, Superintendent Warren County School System; Music, Macon County Choir; Offering, taken by members of the board of trustees; Praying of the cornerstone, at the Community Building.

Efforts are being made to remove all indebtedness from the building, which was constructed by WPA labor of bricks made by the negroes by the 1st of November, when a book campaign is to begin and extend through December. Prof. G. E. Check, one of the negro leaders of the county who has been instrumental in having the building erected here, stated yesterday that a number of friendly white people had already offered to contribute books when the building was completed and that he, as well as other members of his race, was grateful for these promises and hoped that the response would be generous when the drive for literature gets underway.

Following is a letter mailed out under the auspices of the Board of Trustees of the Community Center building attention to the dedication exercises next Friday night:

Interested Citizens:
On October 30, 1936, at 10:00 o'clock A. M. a dream of years is being realized in the building of a beautiful Community Center Building for Negro Citizens of Warren County will become a reality. The Dedication Exercises of this building will be held in the Courthouse. The exercises will be featured by addresses from citizens of both races in the state.

Without doubt, the history of Negro achievement in Warren County is rich, monumental and grand. It is a history that has been passed on to the next generation. Tradition gives no example, history shows no record nor do we have a finer spirit of loyalty and cooperation than that shown by the keen-witted, broad-minded, public-spirited citizenry of the county constructing the best and most modern Community Center Building for Negroes in North Carolina.

Now that our house is almost completed, we need your continued help in our final drive for money to settle remaining bills and aid in buying necessary equipment. And while we are asking every church, convention, and union, along with the P. T. A.'s, Four-H Clubs and individual citizens to give, regardless of whether they have given or not, we are also making a very special appeal to you to give your largest and best sum and thereby share the honor and pride which comes to the County and certainly to each individual citizen who helps in the construction of such a worthy, time-honored, public enterprise.

One of the features of the Dedication Exercises will be a roll call. All persons giving \$1.00, \$2.50 and upward will be listed as Dedication Honorees and their names and the amounts will be placed in the building for public record. A duplicate copy of this record will be placed and sealed in the cornerstone for history. Any (Continued on Page 6)

Before U. S. Supreme Court



WASHINGTON . . . Mrs. Lucy Connell, 22, of Marianna, Fla. (above), bears the distinction of being the youngest woman lawyer ever admitted to practice before the United States Supreme Court. She was one of 40 admitted at the opening of Fall sessions. Her husband was also admitted.

Gives Views On Proposed Changes State Constitution

By JOHN B. PALMER

On November the 3rd we are to vote on five proposed amendments to our State Constitution. All of these amendments are of the highest importance and if adopted, will make it possible for the General Assembly to cure serious defects in our tax laws and to increase the judges of our Supreme Court from five to seven members.

Four of the proposed amendments deal with taxation and one with the Supreme Court. Only one of the proposed amendments is automatic or self-executing: four of the amendments leave all action authorized by them to the discretion of future General Assemblies.

The most important of the five proposed amendments is that one providing for \$1,000 tax exemption on homes provided the owner lives in the home. Our present tax system allows liberal exemptions on solvent credits, incomes and inheritances. Surely some tax exemption on a home is more important than exemptions on solvent credits, incomes and inheritances. Home ownership is the supporting pillar upon which we can build a better community and State. Criminal court records show that most of the crime is committed by those who do not own a home. Let us adopt this amendment and by a fair tax exemption encourage young couples to establish their love nest—a home.

Find Negro's Body On Railroad Track

Believed to have been run over and killed by a freight train which he attempted to catch, the badly mangled body of Macon Davis, negro about 18-years-old, was found on the railroad tracks at Norlina Sunday morning around 1:30 o'clock, about an hour and a half after he had left his home at Norlina.

The negro is said to have gone to his home and asked his father for a dollar to go to church the next day. The father, it was reported, did not have a dollar but gave him what change he had and the boy left home Saturday night about 12 o'clock. A freight train was on the tracks opposite Blair's service station about that time and the belief is that the negro attempted to catch the train for a ride down the road, missed his hold, and fell beneath the wheels of the train.

MRS. ARRINGTON RETURNS
Mrs. Katherine P. Arrington has returned to her home at Warrenton after spending several weeks visiting European countries. She was accompanied abroad by her daughter, Mrs. William Conway of Henderson, Ky.

THIS WEEK In Washington

Washington, Oct. 21.—One definite forecast can be made at this time in regard to the presidential election of November 3. That is, that the total vote will be greatly in excess of the number of ballots cast in any previous election.

Both of the major parties have been concentrating a great deal of their energies upon seeing to it that every one of their prospective voters was registered, and the result so far has been a surprising increase in the total registration.

In New York State, for example, the registration is nearly a million in excess of the number who voted in the 1932 presidential election. The increased registration is proportionately somewhat less heavy in other states, but on the whole it is a safe bet that there are around 15 per cent more citizens in the nation qualified to vote this year than ever before.

The effort to get out the vote does not end, of course, with seeing that all possible voters are registered. From now until the morning of election day the most vigorous efforts will be made to see to it that not only those newly registered but all of the previously qualified voters, in states where annual registration is not required, actually go to the polls. That will not be such a difficult task as it has been in many previous elections. The proverbial apathy of the American voters seems to be a minus quantity this year. Certainly not since 1916 has partisan spirit run such a high temperature and penetrated so deeply into the mass of voters.

Expect Heaviest Vote

While there are no exact figures of the total number of persons qualified to vote in the entire nation, there are somewhere above 60,000,000 citizens who have reached the age of 21 and who can vote if they have been duly registered.

125-Boll Stalk Of Cotton Is Exhibited

A stalk of cotton, with 125 bolls, most of them full grown and ready for picking, was on display in the office of J. M. Gardner and Company yesterday. The cotton was grown by Miss Eula Allen and the stalk stood next to one which bore 115 bolls. In commenting on the cotton, Mr. Gardner, who has been in the cotton buying business for years and years said: "I don't think I have ever seen as pretty and as fine a stalk of cotton as that before in my life."

Littleton High Wins Inter-State Match

In a downpour of rain, Littleton High won its first inter-state game of the season last Friday, defeating a strong team of Emporia, Virginia, High, 6-0. Little, the locals flashing back, tore around the end and ran 50 yards for the only score of the game. Littleton has not been defeated in the last two seasons, winning its third consecutive victory for this season under its able coach, Hager. Only four of last year's regulars are playing on this year's team. Friday, this week, Littleton journeys to Rocky Mount to clash with the strong High School team of that city.

GROWS 'EM BIG

A sweet potato nearly the size of a pumpkin and apparently large enough to take care of a crowd at a family reunion was brought to the office of the Warren Record by the office of Edmund White's farm near Liberia. When dug the yam weighed 13 1-2 pounds and had a circumference of 31 inches.

SERVICES AT LITTLETON

Services at the Littleton Methodist Church on Sunday, October 25th, were announced as follows by the pastor, Rev. W. T. Phipps: The Church School at 9:45 a. m.; preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. A cordial invitation is extended by the minister to attend these services.

Messrs. John Kerr Jr. and Claude Halthcock were visitors in Raleigh this week.
Mr. Robert Davis of Stewart, Va., was a visitor here on Tuesday night.

State and County Officials Discuss Welfare Work

Various phases of welfare work were gone into here on Monday when state leaders met with local officials at a meeting of the County Council of Social Agencies, held in the courthouse in the presence of a large group of interested persons, with William T. Polk, county chairman, presiding.

Mrs. W. B. Aycock, from the State Board of Charities and Public Welfare, spoke of the necessity of Welfare Departments having the cooperation of all social-minded citizens and urged the department to strengthen the County Council and get cooperation from all organizations which stand for good in the county. She said that all cases of distress should be reported to the Welfare Department and if they are aided by some other organization to notify the Welfare Department just what has been done for these people.

Miss Elmer H. Ashton, also of the State Board of Charities and Public Welfare, explained the duties of the Superintendent of Welfare. She said that the superintendent should have under the control of the County Commissioners the care and supervision of the poor; that it was her duty to act as agent for the State Board of Charities and Public Welfare in relation to any work to be done by the state in the county; that she should look after persons who are discharged from state institutions; that she should have oversight of the prisoners on parole; that she should have supervision of dependent and delinquent children; that she should help find employment; that she should investigate and relieve as far as possible any cause of distress appealing to the Welfare Department; and that she should see that the Child Labor Law and the School Attendance Law are enforced.

Miss Lucy Leach, Superintendent of Welfare, urged the public to contribute to the Charity Chest, which is a fund in the Welfare Department to help emergency cases. She said there were many cases that would have suffered but for the aid given them from her department. Most of the money from the Charity Chest, she said, was spent to help the indigent, to buy medicine, food and clothing. It was decided at the meeting to launch a county-wide drive for funds the first week in November.

Mrs. J. S. Jones, County Nurse, talked on the good which may be derived from Maternity Centers, explaining that such centers are being held in this county at Vaughan, Wise, Stony Lawn and Warrenton, and commented on the fact that the doctors attending the centers, as well as herself, are being paid from the Children's Bureau in Washington. She also said that she is trying to get all parents to have their children vaccinated against diphtheria and spoke of the need for vaccinating them against typhoid fever in the spring. Warren is one of 20 counties of the state given these opportunities.

Miss Clyde Satterfield explained that she dealt with the needy and able bodied persons who may be in (Continued on page 6)

Church To Celebrate Home Coming Day

Littleton, Oct. 23.—Sunday, November 1, will be observed as "Home Coming Day" at Calvary Church of the Littleton Charge, the Rev. W. T. Phipps announced this week.

The program to be carried out on this day is as follows: Church School at 10 o'clock with Clyde Myrick, superintendent, in charge; preaching at 11 o'clock by the pastor, with the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper; dinner on the grounds, followed at 1:30 by a sermon by Dr. T. M. Johnson.

"All former members and pastors are given a special invitation to be present and the entire community is urged to come and enjoy the day with us," the Rev. Mr. Phipps stated.

ANNOUNCES SERVICES

Episcopal services are to be held at Warrenton and Ridgeway on Sunday, the Rev. B. N. de Foe Wagner, rector, announced this week. The services at Emmanuel Church, Warrenton, are to be held at 11 o'clock in the morning, and Evening Prayer will be held at Good Shepherd, Ridgeway, at 3:30 in the afternoon.

Mr. Fab Pendleton of Richmond was a visitor here Wednesday and Thursday.

FLIMFLAM GAME IS WORKED HERE

Negro Cheated Out Of \$20
On Pocketbook Racket
Here Thursday

CROOK MAKES GETAWAY

The old pocketbook game was used at Warrenton yesterday by an unidentified negro to flimflam another negro out of \$20.00 of tobacco money.

The crook's method of working the racket here was similar to the scheme which has been worked for years in various places, particularly during the tobacco season, on the gullible to get their money.

The negro who lost the money was said to have been named Thorne and came to Warrenton from near Airlie, Halifax county, with Garland Alston, who sold his tobacco here and then gave Thorne \$20.00.

The trickster waited until Thorne was looking at him and then picked up a pocketbook as if it had been found. He then opened the wallet and told Thorne that it contained \$700, that he would give him \$500.00 of it if he would not tell any one of his find, but first he must get the big bills changed. He led Thorne to believe that it would look suspicious for him not to have anything but \$100 bills when he went to get the money changed and induced Thorne to give him all his money, promising to leave him the \$500.00 with County Agent Bob Bright, for whom he said he worked as janitor, after the change was made.

When Thorne surprised Mr. Bright by asking for the money which he believed had been left for him, he found out after some explanation that no money had been left for him, that his \$20.00 was gone and that the man had disappeared.

The negro was unable to give an intelligent description of the crook and officers met with no success when they went to look for the man.

Negro Hit By Car Is Fatally Injured

Kelly Israel, negro about 18 years old, was fatally injured early Saturday night at Ridgeway when he stepped from behind a vehicle into the side of a car being operated towards Warrenton by C. A. Tucker. Mr. Tucker stopped immediately and carried the injured negro to Jubilee hospital in Henderson where he lived until Sunday night.

An inquest was held here on Wednesday and Coroner Jasper Shearin wrote into the records that the accident was unavoidable.

Win First Victory In Defeat Of Enfield

Playing in a driving rain on a mud-coated, slippery field, the John Graham High School football team won its first victory of the season last Friday afternoon by taking the big end of a 7-0 score from Enfield. Despite the unfavorable weather, the local boys played the best game of the year, according to Coach Ward, who gives the following account of the battle:

"Outplaying Enfield in virtually every department of play, the John Graham team ploughed its way up and down the field, gaining enough yards to win a couple of football games, only to lose the ball because of its slippery handling. In the last part of the second quarter the Grahams drove the ball from their own 40-yard line to Enfield's 5-yard stripe where the touchdown was scored by Billy Peete on a drive over guard.

"In the second half the attack of both teams bogged down and both were content to play defensive football.

"The John Graham team is by no means the well oiled machine it is capable of being, but rapid improvement is being shown in every game by the players. By Friday when we play Norlina the team should be beginning to hit its stride. If it does, there will be a game played which will never be forgotten in Warrenton."

The line-up of John Graham was given as follows by Coach Ward: I. Pinnell, left end; O. Flowers, left tackle; H. Riggan, left guard; W. Kidd, center; D. Ward, right guard; M. Pinnell, right tackle; H. Rooker, right end; B. Peete, quarter-back; C. Terrell, half-back; D. Miles, half-back; H. Davis, full-back; Substitutes: B. Halthcock, J. Moore.

Jobs—Not Pensions



NEW YORK . . . Col. Bernard W. Kearney (above), newly elected Commander-in-Chief of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, announces that the policy of his administration will be an effort to secure steady jobs for World War veterans rather than lobbying for a pension system. Commander Kearney resides at Gloversville, N. Y.

Time Is Extended Through October Bright Announces

The time for complying under the Soil Conservation Act has been extended to October 31 in order to give all producers an opportunity to qualify, County Agent Bob Bright stated this week and urged that all those who have not qualified to do so at once in order that this county may receive its full share of payments. He also stated that all producers who did not plant their base in cotton or tobacco should sow clover, vetch or winter peas on any land in order to qualify for their payments.

In notifying farmers of the extension of time which has been granted them and in discussing the program, the county agent said:

"I wrote all producers a few days ago to qualify and notify this office upon qualification. This county is entitled to payments in excess of \$200,000 if the farmers will qualify. The majority of the farmers in the county have qualified, but in a few townships the per cent to qualify is small. I am sure that the farmers do not understand the requirements or they would qualify for their payments.

"This program was intended to help farmers, not depress them, and if any farmer will thoroughly understand the act I am sure that he will endorse it. The time is limited for complying in 1936 and all those farmers who are not sure that they have qualified should come to this office and find out just what they are required to do.

"We will begin to mail in applications for payments in a few days and when these notices go out I would appreciate it very much if the farmers would come in and sign their applications promptly. In cases where tenants are interested in the payments it will be necessary for them to come in with the landlord and sign the application for payment."

Over \$400 Raised For Campaign Fund

Incomplete reports which have come in this week in regard to the amount of money which has been raised by the various Roosevelt Elector Committee chairmen in this county disclose that more than \$400 has been contributed in Warren to aid in the re-election of President Roosevelt on November 3.

This money has come from all sections of Warren, with contributions, as a rule, ranging from \$1.00 to \$5.00.

Frank H. Gibbs, committee chairman for the town of Warrenton, closed his campaign last Saturday after raising \$122.50 here, rather than \$132.50 as was inadvertently stated last week. Other reports that have come in from the chairmen, including those made last week, are as follows: Ed Turner, \$70.00; Harry Williams, \$53.00; Macon Thornton, \$46.00; Wallace Paschall, \$50.00; Ed Petar, \$20.00; Walter Myrick, as Warren county's part of the donations he received at Littleton, \$80.00; total, \$423.50. It is not known here what sum J. P. T. Harris, another Roosevelt Elector Committee chairman, raised, or the amount of money that has been raised around Norlina, where, it was reported, contributions have also been received.

FRANK WELDON DIES SUDDENLY

Manager of Norlina A. B. C.
Store Drops Dead While
On Duty Thursday

BURIAL SERVICES TODAY

Frank Erwin Weldon, manager of the A. B. C. store at Norlina, dropped dead in the store yesterday afternoon at 4:20 o'clock from a heart attack. While his health was not regarded as being bad, and his death came as a shock, he had been complaining for the past few days of indigestion and had taken medicine on several occasions to relieve him of his pain. He was 48 years of age.

Funeral services, which will be in charge of the Norlina Masonic Order, will be conducted from the home at Norlina this afternoon at 3:30 o'clock by the Rev. Mr. Roach, who will be assisted by the Rev. Mr. Wilson. Interment will take place at the Warren Plains Baptist Church, of which he had been a member since childhood.

He was the son of the late George Weldon and Mrs. Fannie Owens Weldon and was born at Warren Plains. He had been making his home at Norlina for the past 15 years and was Past Master of the Francis S. Packard Lodge, No. 630, A. F. & A. M. He was also a World War veteran.

Surviving is one brother, Hugh Weldon, of Norlina. His mother and father preceded him to the grave a number of years ago.

JIM LIMER TEMPORARY MANAGER OF STORE

Jim Limer, who is already under bond due to the fact that he has been assisting in the A. B. C. stores of the county while the managers and employees had their vacations, will be placed in charge of the store at Norlina until another manager is appointed, J. B. Boyce, chairman of the County Board.

Several Violate Vehicle Laws And Face Judge Taylor

Failure to conform with laws governing the operation of motor vehicles was responsible for four of the five cases which were brought before Judge W. W. Taylor in Recorder's court on Monday of this week. The other charge was assault with a deadly weapon.

W. H. Short plead guilty of driving on the streets of Warrenton in a reckless manner and was fined \$25.00 and taxed with the costs in the action.

Charles C. Granger was fined \$10.00 and costs after he had been convicted on a charge of driving without licenses. He plead guilty to the count.

Found guilty of operating a motor vehicle with improper brakes, Raymond Russell, negro, was fined \$5.00 and costs.

Judgment was suspended upon payment of costs in the case against William Plummer, negro, charged with operating a motor vehicle without driver's license or state license plates, after it had been brought out that he had been repairing his car and was trying it out on an isolated dirt road.

Levi Medlin and W. H. Galloway, charged with assault with a deadly weapon, each plead guilty. Prayer for judgment was continued upon payment of costs.

A case against F. J. Peace, negro, charged with giving a worthless check, was continued due to illness.

If You Wish To Vote Register By Saturday

Saturday, from sunrise to sunset, will be the last day prior to this election for putting new names on the registration books, Claude Halthcock, chairman of the Warren County Board of Elections, stated yesterday. The following, October 31, will be challenge day, a period set aside when the qualifications of a voter to participate in the election may be questioned.

Mr. Halthcock said that a few names had been added to the books since they have been opened on the past two Saturdays, but no more than is customary before an election.

Mr. W. G. Smiley announced Born to Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Smiley on October 9, a son—Mathew Thomas.
Miss Annie Rose Smiley of Wilson spent Sunday with A. I. Smiley.