

## REYNOLDS TALKS AT EXPOSITION

### Senator Talks Of Warren's Traditions, And Travel By Automobile

#### HEARD BY CROWD OF 1500

Expressing his appreciation at being accorded an invitation to visit a county as rich in tradition as Warren and pointing out the tremendous advantages of travel which the automobile had made possible, Senator Robert Rice Reynolds spoke to approximately 1,500 persons who had gathered in Boyd's warehouse Monday night to attend the opening of Warrenton's Automobile Show and Merchants' Exposition.

Introduced by Mayor William Polk as an unusually versatile man, widely known as a United States Senator, globe-trotter, writer, boxer and football player, the Senator launched into his praise of the automobile by giving an account of the various spots of historical interest that his car permitted him to see from Washington to Warrenton—the center of a county, he said, from which has come some of the country's most outstanding statesmen. As evidence of the intellectual and social standing of the early citizens of this county, he referred to Benjamin Hawkins who served in the Continental Congress when the Constitution was adopted and later in the Senate of the United States; to Nathaniel Macon who served in the House of Representatives to William Miller, governor of the State, and to James Turner, who also served in the United States Senate. He also commented on the fact that this was the birthplace of his colleague, Senator Bailey, and the home of Congressman John H. Kerr, whom he praised for the diligent manner in which he is serving his constituents.

While praising the automobile as a means of economical traveling, the Senator lamented the fact that the people had not learned to operate them in a sane and safe manner. Stating that last year 37,000 persons were killed by motor vehicles and approximately 1,000,000 were injured, he said that Congress is endeavoring to take steps to prevent this slaughter along the highways. Two bills have already been introduced, he said, to require drivers to have a physical examination before being given a permit to operate cars and trucks and that if the proposed legislation went through a driver going from one state to another would be required to present a certificate.

Claiming that he was a great advocate of travel, the Senator told of his trip throughout practically every state of the union a few years ago and advised all young boys and girls who possible could to see America. "Four of you can get a trailer and visit all the states of the Union for around \$100 a piece," he predicted, after giving the cost of the trip he made. But first, he advised, visit your county-seat, then your state capital, North Carolina, Washington, and then the rest of the country.

The Senator also praised North Carolina as the finest state in the union and encouraged his listeners to do the same wherever they went. "We have a splendid state and I am delighted with the action of the state legislature in appropriating around \$250,000 to advertise North Carolina to the rest of the nation," Senator Reynolds said that he was such a firm believer in boosting his state that on his trip throughout this country that he had prepared pamphlets pointing out the advantages of North Carolina which he left with the mayors of practically every town he passed through. Senator Reynolds was accompanied to Warrenton by his secretary, Wesley McDonald. They were entertained by the Lions Club at a supper at Hotel Warren before the guests of the Automobile Show, and the guests of Dr. and Mrs. G. H. Reynolds that night. Congressman Harold Cooley, who had been expected to accompany them to Warrenton, was unable to be present. Senator Judge Kerr able to be present for the occasion.

## TO HOLD SERVICES

G. A. Hendricks of Louisville, Ky., will hold services at the Baptist Church, Littleton, Sunday, April 4, at 11 o'clock a. m. and 7:30 o'clock p. m. The public is cordially invited to attend.

## Cherry Blossom Queen



WASHINGTON... Miss Sakiko Saito, daughter of the Japanese Ambassador, has been chosen Queen of the Cherry Blossom Festival at Potomac Park to be held early in April.

## Mayor And Seven Commissioners To Be Named Tuesday

Voters of Warrenton are notified to meet in the court house on Tuesday night of next week to nominate the mayor and seven commissioners to govern the affairs of the town for another two years. Those nominated at the meeting Tuesday night will be elected on Tuesday, May 4.

William T. Polk is the present mayor of Warrenton and the city fathers who have been serving with him are Dr. G. H. Macon, Herman Rodwell, Bignall Jones, W. R. Strickland, George Scoggin, A. A. Williams and John Mitchell.

## J. Edward Shaw Buried At Macon

Joseph Edward Shaw, retired R. F. D. mail carrier, died at his home in Macon on Tuesday night at 7:30 o'clock after being ill for a week. He was 62 years of age.

Funeral services for Mr. Shaw were conducted from the Macon M. E. Church on Wednesday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock by his pastor, Rev. O. I. Hinson. Burial took place in the Macon cemetery with the following serving as pallbearers: Harry Kenyon, Brown Coleman, W. T. Person, Clifton Bobbitt, Tom Fleming and Herbert Pope.

Mr. Shaw was a member of the Methodist church practically all of his life, and was also connected with the Norlina council of the Junior Order.

He is survived by his wife, who before her marriage was Pauline Rowlett, and five sons: George Walter, James Thurman, Robert Hardy and Waddie Rowlett Shaw, all of Macon, and Joseph Edward Shaw Jr. of Roanoke Rapids. He also leaves his mother, Mrs. Kate VanLandingham Shaw of Macon, one brother and three sisters.

## R. T. Walston Dies At Hospital

Runnie Thaddeus Walston, prominent merchant of Drewry, died in a Henderson hospital Thursday night of last week after being seriously ill for a week. He was 56 years of age and had been in declining health for about one year.

Mr. Walston was a native of Greene county, where he was born February 12, 1881; however, he had lived and been in business at Drewry for the past 18 years.

Funeral services were held Friday afternoon from the Methodist church in Drewry, and interment was in the Middlebury cemetery several miles distance.

Mr. Walston is survived by his widow, Mrs. Mary Arrington Walston; one brother, D. G. Walston of Walstonburg, and one sister, Mrs. J. E. Arrington of Norlina.

## Yates To Preach Episcopal Church

The Rev. D. W. Yates, rector of St. Philip's Church in Durham, will preach at Emmanuel Episcopal Church, Warrenton, on Sunday morning at 11 o'clock, at which time there will be a special rededication of Church School Officers and Teachers. Holy Communion will also be celebrated.

At 8 o'clock p. m. Evening Prayer will be held at Saint Alban's, Littleton. The summer schedule will begin with this service, the Rev. E. N. de Foe Wagner, rector, stated.

## Carnival Air Rules Here As Auto Show Brings Big Crowds

A carnival atmosphere has prevailed here throughout the week as each night more than 1,000 persons have gathered in Boyd's warehouse to attend the Automobile Show and Merchants' Exposition which opened on Monday night with a speech by United States Senator Robert Rice Reynolds.

Crowds have trekked here from all sections of Warren, as well as from neighboring counties, to enjoy the varied program of entertainment and mingle with Warrenton friends around the Bingo table and other games of chance.

The elaborately decorated warehouse, which is dressed in red, white and blue paper suspended beneath hundreds of electric lights, and the attractive displays in the booths where merchants are showing their wares and giving away free prizes each night have been the subjects of unusually favorable comment. "It is beautiful," or "it is so much bigger and finer than I expected," are typical of the opinions expressed freely by those who gathered in the warehouse to attend Warrenton's first Automobile Show and Exposition.

Entering the warehouse a block from Main street, which has been decorated with lights and banners for the unusual occasion, the crowds drift into the building, travel along the outer walls admiring displays, greeting friends and acquaintances, registering at the various booths in the hope of securing a free prize, and then attending the floor show or have a fling at Lady Luck. She proves to be rather fascinating and continues to draw and hold patrons from the time the show opens at around 7 o'clock until the midnight hour.

The crowds have been unusually orderly and in good humor. Not a single arrest has been made, nor has there been any evidence of unpleasantness.

## Dr. Peete's Brother Dies In Kentucky

William Weldon Peete, 68, brother of Dr. Charles H. Peete of Warrenton, died at his home in Bowling Green, Ky., on Sunday night. The funeral services were held there on Tuesday.

Mr. Peete, the son of Dr. R. F. S. Peete, a surgeon in the Confederate army, and Mary Davis Peete, a sister of Col. William S. Davis, also of the Confederate army, was born in Warren county near the Roanoke River, but for many years had been making his home in Bowling Green where he was actively engaged in the coal and build supplies business. He returned here often to visit relatives and renew friendships.

He is survived by his wife and two sons, Richard and Weldon, and his half-brother, Dr. Peete. Dr. and Mrs. Peete and son, Billy, were expected to return last night from Kentucky.

## Fire Destroys Negro Home; Child Dies

A fire believed to have started in the kitchen swept away the home, household goods, and the wearing apparel of the family of Plummer Dednam, negro who lives a short distance from town on the road leading to Macon and Liberia, Tuesday morning around 3 o'clock. The family fled from the house when it awakened to the cracking flames, but the smoke and exposure are believed to have caused the death of one of the children, already ill.

Although the fire was beyond the city limits and no water was available from hydrants, the fire company responded to the alarm and is credited with saving another home which stood nearby through the use of chemicals.

## BAPTIST SERVICES

Services will be held at the Warrenton Baptist church on Sunday morning at 11 o'clock and Sunday evening at 8 o'clock, the Rev. R. E. Brickhouse, pastor, announced yesterday.

## PLAY AT HOLLISTER

The Hollister P. T. A. will present Jubilee Minstrel in the Hollister school auditorium on Friday night, April 8, at 8 o'clock.

Mrs. T. F. Heath of Raleigh and Miss Mary McIlwaine Plummer of Petersburg are guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Alston.

## LIST TAKERS BEGIN TO WORK

### Meet Here Wednesday To Receive Supplies; Property Must Be Listed In April

### PROPERTY IS REVALUED

List takers throughout Warren county began their annual task yesterday of listing property for 1937 taxes. Officials to function in all townships of the county were appointed by the Board of County Commissioners at the March meeting and met here on Wednesday to receive their necessary supply of blanks, records, abstracts and such other data as required.

The law requires that property must be given in as of April 1, and that the list taking work must be completed by the end of the month of April.

James C. Moore, who is in charge of Warrenton township listings, will also list property for the town of Warrenton. He may be found in the court house. Other tax listers have designated the places where they may be located.

Meantime, the quadrennial revaluation of property has about been completed. Lawrence Robertson, who is in charge of this work, is quoted as saying that he found some of the property of the county valued at too low a figure and that some timber land was not paying its just proportion of taxes, but that the property owners throughout the county had raised no objections to increasing valuations where they were found to be out of proportion.

## Negro Health Week To Be Observed

Calling attention to the fact that nothing is more fundamental for the happiness and welfare of an individual or a race than sound health, the Warren County Community Center and Library Association is calling upon negroes of Warren to join in the observance of the 23rd annual national negro health week, from April 4 to 11. During this period members of the race are asked to make the occasion a success by considering seriously health sanitation conditions and resolve during the week and throughout the year to do his or her part in making this generation healthier and happier.

Special significant features for the week's program this year are listed as follows:

"1. County-wide 4-H Clubs and Council is sponsoring a special Health Program Sunday, April 4, at 3:30 p. m., in the community center building. Dr. S. M. Beckford of Henderson will be principal speaker. Essays on health and a playlet by the Warrenton 4-H Club Groups will also be a part of Sunday's program.

"2. We are asking all ministers of the county to preach a special Sermon on Health, Sunday, April 4.

"3. All school children of the county to write Health essays, or an original health story. Cash prizes will be awarded the best two. Healthy Poster Contest for all school children of the county. Cash prizes will be awarded the best two. (Note. All essays and posters must be sent in to the Community Center Building Thursday, April 8, 5:00 p. m. Judges decision will be final. All announcements will be made one week from that date.)

"4. To call attention to and invite participation in the County-wide Backyard Clean-up campaign—with prizes awarded for best year in each community that enters the contest. Committees will inspect yards, collect data to be compiled and final awards given. Inspection of yards will be made Friday, April 9.

"5. County-wide Health Baby Contest: All babies born since last March will be entered. Physicians will examine all babies entered, pictures taken of them and awards made in accordance with this medical examination. The Recreational Council is giving a silver cup as permanent property of the reading room, and the baby that is declared winner will have its name engraved on the cup as Healthy baby of Warren County for 1937. Three other awards will be given. Special program and lunch will be provided for all mothers and babies. Registration begins promptly at 11:30 on Thursday, April 8, in Community Center. Thursday, April 8, is also set aside as Beautification day. All the men of the county as they bring

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## Oldest Justice



WASHINGTON... Justice Willis Van Devanter is the oldest member of the Supreme Court in point of service. He was appointed by President Taft and has served 26 years as a member of the highest court.

## Glass' Speech Boost For Court Change, Says Judge Kerr

The Associated Press quotes Congressman Kerr:

Washington, March 30.—Representative Kerr (D-NC) said today Senator Carter Glass' radio address against the Roosevelt court plan assured Senate approval of the proposal.

The North Carolinian, a former superior court judge, described Glass' speech as "the most vicious and unwarranted attack ever made against a President of the United States."

"It will do more to win Senate approval of the President's plan than to defeat it," Kerr said. "It means the Senate will pass the bill."

## Sawmill Operator Hurt In Wreck

H. P. Williams, negro sawmill operator of Shooco township, received a broken ankle and two broken ribs late Saturday afternoon in Granville county when the lumber truck he was operating overturned after a collision with an automobile occupied by four white men.

According to reports of the accident given here, the automobile occupied by the white men was attempting to pass the truck when the approach of another car caused the driver, in attempting to drop back of the truck, to strike the rear of the truck and cause it to overturn. The four occupants of the car were said to have been badly cut and were carried to Clarksville where their injuries were treated. Williams, who is operating a sawmill in Granville county, was brought to Warrenton where he was treated by Dr. G. H. Macon.

Both the car and truck were said to have been considerably damaged.

## Mrs. Avis Schuster Claimed By Death

Funeral services for Mrs. Avis Schuster, wife of John Schuster, of near Hebron church, were conducted at the graveside at the old homeplace near One Thursday afternoon by the Rev. W. C. Wilson of Norlina. Mrs. Schuster, who was 52-years-old, died unexpectedly on Wednesday afternoon around 5 o'clock.

## Aycock Resumes Prison Camp Job

T. H. Aycock, who was granted a leave of absence while he was in Raleigh representing Warren county in the General Assembly, has resumed his duties as head of the Warren county prison camp. During his absence his place at the camp was filled by Spencer Scott, steward at the prison.

## Elberon Honor Rolls Announced

The scholastic and perfect attendance honor rolls of the Afton-Elberon school were announced this week for the month of February as follows:

Perfect Attendance  
First Grade: Louise Abbott, Frances Aycock, Lucille Edmonds, Irene Edwards, Alice C. Mustian, Rebbe Pendergrass, Bettie Pendergrass, Elsie Reams, Lillian Long, Milton Abbott, Duke Choplin, K. T. Miller, Charles Jones, Charles Pin- (Continued on Page 8)

## VIOLATIONS MOTOR LAWS ARE HEARD BY JUDGE ROWELL

Violation of the motor vehicle laws was responsible for the majority of the cases which were disposed of by Judge T. O. Rowell in Recorder's court on Easter Monday.

Thomas Alston, negro, submitted to a charge of driving a car without a license and was ordered to pay the costs in the case and procure a driving permit from the state.

Robert Moss, negro, was found not guilty on a charge of reckless driving.

A capias was ordered issued for G. C. Overby, who was scheduled to face trial on a charge of public drunkenness. Although no explanation was given in court for his absence, it was later learned he was prevented from being present on account of illness, it was stated.

A case against Allen Williams, negro, charged with passing a school bus while children were unloading, was remanded to a justice of the peace.

Charged with driving while under the influence of whiskey, C. E. Loyd called for a jury trial and his case was automatically set for the fourth Monday in April.

## Assailant Knocks Norlina Merchant Unconscious; Flees

Norlina, March 30.—W. A. Delbridge, Norlina merchant, is recovering here from a blow that knocked him unconscious last Saturday night as he was placing a delivery truck in his garage.

Ollie Knight, who works for Delbridge and rode home with him, said he had left the truck and started for the house when he heard someone at the garage say, "stick them up." He rushed into the house to get a gun, he said, and on returning with his brother found Delbridge on the ground in an unconscious condition.

Robbery apparently was the motive for the assault, although the unidentified assailant, believed to have been frightened away, did not take the money his victim carried.

The condition of Delbridge is not regarded as serious, although he was unconscious for 24 hours.

## Mrs. Sallie Shearin Dies At Vaughan

Funeral services for Mrs. Sallie Shearin, who died at her home near Vaughan on Monday afternoon around 4 o'clock following an illness of two years, were held from the home on Tuesday by the Rev. Mr. Roach. Burial took place in Sunset Hill cemetery.

Had Mrs. Shearin lived until June 1, she would have been 87 years of age. Although she had been ill for two years, pneumonia was given as the direct cause of her death.

The deceased is survived by three children, Mrs. Elijah Ellington of Warren Plains, Miss Anna Shearin of Vaughan and Mr. Laud Shearin of Vaughan; five sisters and one brother, Mrs. W. P. Edwards of Richmond, Mrs. Charles Tucker of Vaughan, Mrs. Tom Myrick of Vaughan, Mrs. Addie Newsome of Littleton, and Mr. Pope Nicholson of Vaughan; also nine grandchildren and fourteen great-grandchildren. Her husband preceded her to the grave a number of years ago.

Pallbearers were Charlie Nicholson, Perry Nicholson, Claude Nicholson, Marion Pope Nicholson, Joe Bobbitt and Sol Bobbitt.

## Norlina Nine Takes Opener 12 to 10

Norlina, Mch. 30.—Norlina High School opened its 1937 baseball season here this afternoon by defeating Littleton High School by the score of 12 to 10. Harrelson, Moseley, and White were the outstanding players for Norlina. Harrelson secured a single, a triple, and a home run out of 5 times at bat. Hale and Myrick were outstanding players for Littleton.

Batteries for Norlina were Harrelson and Harrelson; Littleton: Hale, Wood, Peoples and Perkinson.

## ALLEN HONORED

Supt. of Schools J. Edward Allen, Grand Commander of Knights Templar in North Carolina, attended a banquet given in his honor in the Masonic Temple at Raleigh last Friday night.

## QUEEN OF SHOW TO BE CROWNED

### Miss Elaba McGowan Chosen As Queen of Ball; Music By Jimmy Poyner

### IS OUTSTANDING EVENT

The Queen's Ball, regarded by many as the most outstanding event of the Automobile Show and Merchants' Exposition which has been in full swing here all this week, will be held tonight shortly after the floor-show has been staged.

Miss Elaba McGowan, member of the John Graham High School faculty, who was chosen through the sale of tickets as the most popular young lady in the county, will have the crown placed on her head shortly before dancing gets underway by the music of Jimmy Poyner and his Collegians of State College, Raleigh. On the stage with Miss McGowan will be Miss Elizabeth Boyce and Miss Clara Dell Vaughan who are to receive prizes for the large number of advance tickets they sold to the show.

The dance is scheduled to start at 10 o'clock and last until 1 or 2 o'clock in the morning, and it is expected that a large number of spectators will be present to hear the music and witness the dancing of the many couples expected to attend from Warrenton and surrounding territory.

Tonight will be the fifth night of the Exposition which has drawn crowds into the warehouse each evening estimated at between 1,000 and 1,500 persons. An equally large number is looked for tonight and again tomorrow night when a number of prizes are to be given away, in addition to the regular stage presentation and other floor attractions.

The Exposition closes on Saturday night for members of the white race but will remain open on Monday night in order that negroes may view the warehouse, enjoy the other features, and attend a dance by the music of Georgia White's 14-piece recording orchestra. There will be prizes given this night for the best dancers, and a space has been reserved for white people to witness the dance and contest.

The opening feature of the Exposition was a speech by Senator Robert Reynolds, after which followed Dardanelle's Vaudeville on Parade. The floor show which is outstanding for the supple act given by Dardanelle herself, is presented each night.

Tuesday night, a square dance was held with many cutting the caper to the figures called by A. J. Ellington, and on Wednesday night an Amateur Hour was held, with Miss Elizabeth Hedgepeth, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Hedgepeth of Warrenton, winning the prize for the talent she displayed in imitating Dardanelle.

Last night a large crowd was on hand for the fiddlers' convention.

## Presbyterian Church Damaged By Blaze

The Warrenton Presbyterian church was damaged Sunday morning at 11 o'clock, just as Sunday school let out, when the roof caught fire from a spark on the shingles.

The entire top will have to be recovered, but the loss is covered by insurance. The building is one of the oldest in town, its bell having been used years ago when the Wilcox school was in session.

No services were being held in the church Sunday, as the congregation meets there only twice a month. Announcement has been made, however, that services will be held there Sunday morning.

## Liberia Road And Streets Treated

State highway officials began the work Wednesday of resurfacing the Warrenton-Liberia road and repairing Main street. The job is expected to be completed by the end of the week.

Mr. Woodrow Parker and Miss Chamberlain of Salisbury, Maryland, Mrs. Wallace Parker and Mrs. James Bryant of Parsonburg, Maryland, spent Easter with Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Parker. Mrs. E. H. Parker, Mrs. Hugh Weldon and Mrs. Ed Weldon were recent visitors in Raleigh.