

33 TO GRADUATE AT LOCAL SCHOOL

Final Exercises To Be Held At John Graham Auditorium Here Tonight

LAST TO END SESSION

Thirty-three seniors of the John Graham High School will receive their diplomas tonight when the final exercises of the year are to be held in the auditorium, beginning at 8 o'clock. The diplomas will be awarded by H. A. Moseley, a member of the school board.

The graduation class this year is composed of eight boys and 25 girls who will be clad in caps and gowns and seated on the rostrum when their efforts of years of hard work are to be rewarded with certificates which signify that they have completed their high school career and are eligible to enter college to further their learning.

Seated on the stage with the graduates will be Misses Lucy and Anne Hawkins who will witness the graduation of several of the pupils of the last class they taught before discontinuing their private school after more than 30 years of service in the field of education. In addition to the Misses Hawkins, Mr. Moseley and the graduates, Supt. Paul Cooper will also be seated on the rostrum.

The graduation class is composed of the following students: John Bruce Bell, John William Bowden, John Cawthorne Jr., Robert Daniel, Martin Lee Galloway, Marvin Palmer King, Stanley White Powell, Ralph Benjamin Williams, Misses Mary Agnes Alston, Betty Louise Aycock, Lela Estelle Benson, Beulah Margaret Capps, Lucille Weldon Davis, Mary Della Davis, Laura Pettway Ellis, Ada Thomas Fleming, Emma Frazier, Myrick Finetta Gardner, Julia Thomas Hamlet, Lucy Katherine Hawkes, Helen Wale Holt, Minnie Doris King, Margaret Alston King, Mary Stackhouse Macon, Edna Manley Montgomery, Emma Kelly Moseley, Nellie Alice Neal, Ella Currin Pinnell, Frances Wright Pridden, Elizabeth Lee Rodwell, Myrtle Louise Strickland, Jean Elizabeth Williams.

The John Graham school, the last of the county system to close, began its final exercises last Friday when Activities Day was held and parents were invited to the school to see exhibits of work done by the students through the year. At 11 o'clock seventh grade pupils received their promotion certificates with a speech by W. F. Williams of Littleton and in the afternoon a baseball game was played. On Sunday evening at 8 o'clock the Baccalaureate sermon was preached by the Rev. E. E. Wiley of Duke University, young ministerial student who conducted revival services here in the Methodist church last summer.

The Rev. Mr. Wiley's talk was well received by the large number of Warren county persons who were attracted to the auditorium for this phase of the closing exercises of Warren county's largest white school. He used as his subject, "Religion and Your Mind," and told the students that although the schools and the churches were two separate institutions that they were becoming more closely allied in thought than they were a number of years ago. Pointing out that a person can either live for that which is good or for that which is bad and that every noble act strengthens the character and every ignoble act weakens the character, the speaker asked the students repeatedly which way they were headed.

Town Again Seeks To Find Roller

The town roller again is missing. Bought a number of years ago for sidewalk building purposes, it has been more or less a community piece of property as the town has been extremely generous in lending it to various citizens from time to time.

Almost invariably borrowers neglect to return the property after whenever another citizen wants to borrow it a search has to be made. Again the roller is wanted by a citizen. The last borrower is therefore requested to return it to Harold R. Skillman at the water office as quickly as possible.

Town Tax Books Order Turned Over To Mary Terrell

The first action of the new board of commissioners after taking the oath of office before Mrs. Mary E. Price Grant, notary public, on Tuesday night was to order the tax books turned over to Miss Mary Terrell, recently elected tax collector following the resignation of R. L. Wilson from this position. Her salary will be \$65 a month instead of \$50 which she has been receiving as clerk of the Warrenton Water Company, which position she will retain as well as that of tax collector. Jack Scott, new chief of police, will serve as assistant tax collector. New bonds have been received for both Mr. Soot and Miss Terrell.

The board ordered that a permit be given Jeff Terrell to sell beer at the Warrenton Soda shop. The board voted \$2, or half regular meeting pay, for special meetings of the commissioners. Mayor Polk told the commissioners that he was having the town laws codified and printed and the board agreed to meeting within a few days to go over and revise the laws of the town at a special meeting.

Rules For Flower Show Announced

By PUBLICITY COMMITTEE
The Warren County Memorial Library will be a scene of riotous color on Friday, May 14th, at which time the Warrenton Garden Club will hold its annual Spring Flower Show. The Show will be open to visitors at 3 o'clock the afternoon of May 14th. The public is most cordially invited to come to this Show and enjoy its colorful display. There will be tulips, roses, irises, peonies, crowspills, pansies and columbine, in fact, Mother Nature will be at her best and there will be many and varied exhibits. The Juniors will be represented with posters and exhibits of dried flowers, cut flowers, a child's tea table and many other features that will delight the hearts of children, and grown-ups as well.

The features: Luncheon and breakfast tables, niches, wild flower exhibits, display of garden tools, books on Gardening and a seed and flower exchange, arrangements of fruits and vegetables, gourds, and many others, will go towards making the Flower Show interesting, a thing of beauty and something you cannot afford to miss.

Below are the rules for the Show and a list of flowers to be judged:

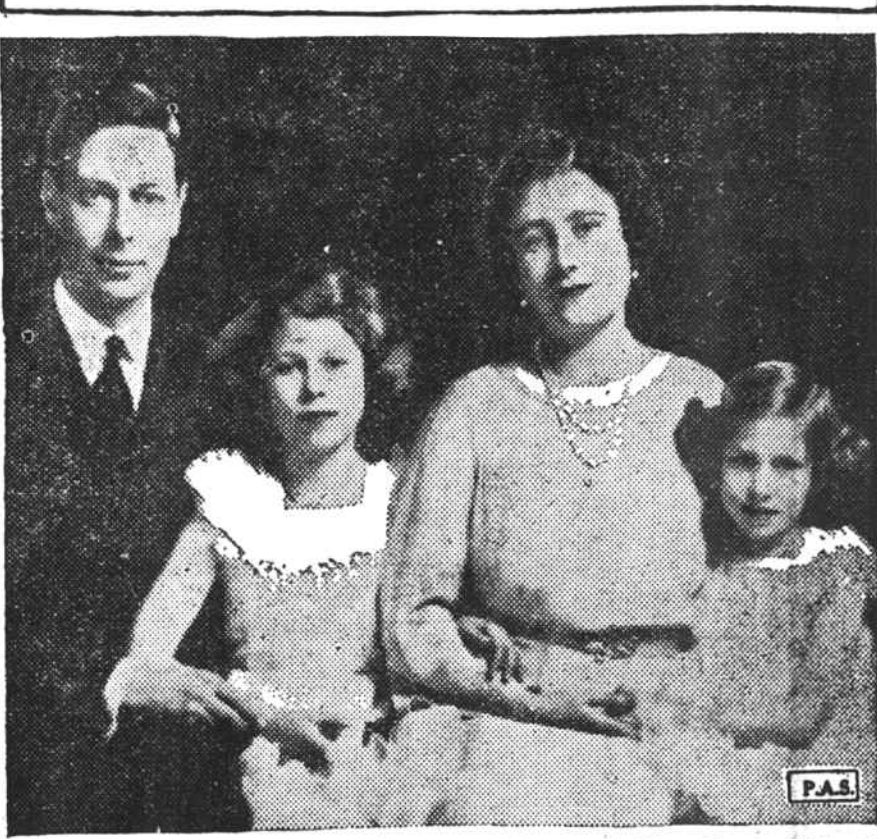
- Rules**
1. All entries must be in on time by 11:30 a. m. May 14, so that Judges can have plenty of time for judging before the doors are open to the public at 3 p. m.
 2. Nothing can be entered to be judged for contest after 11:30 a. m., May 14.
 3. Doors at the Library will be opened as early as 8 a. m., May 14, to receive the flowers of those making exhibits, and a committee will be on hand to receive them. The committee has been increased to six members this year in order to avoid delay and confusion in receiving the exhibits.
 4. Doors will be closed to the flower show between the hours of 11:30 a. m. and 3 p. m., the hours of judging, and no one will be allowed to remain inside except the judges and the assisting clerks.
 5. The Flower Show will be open to the public between the hours of 3 p. m. and 10 p. m.
 6. Each exhibitor must register at the desk and get her number or numbers.
 7. Anyone exhibiting in more than one class must have different numbers for each entry.
 8. It is the desire of the Committee that as far as possible each one

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To Hold Services At Episcopal Church

Services will be held in Emmanuel Episcopal church on Sunday morning at 11 o'clock, the Rev. E. N. de Foe Wagner, who has been with his friend, Rev. W. F. Carpenter, in Haymarket, Va., since the death of Mrs. Wagner, announced by card this week. The service Sunday morning will be in charge of the Rev. Mr. Carpenter and there will also be Holy Communion. The two ministers are expected to arrive in Warrenton on Saturday afternoon. It was not stated on the card from the Rev. Mr. Wagner whether there would be services at the other two churches of this county which he serves.

Royal Family Ready for Coronation



LONDON, England . . . Here is a new picture of King George VI and Queen Elizabeth and their two daughters, Princess Elizabeth (left), heir presumptive to the throne, and Princess Margaret Rose. Princess Elizabeth recently celebrated her eleventh birthday.

Skillman Named Building Inspector At Tuesday Meet

Harold R. Skillman was named temporary building inspector at the regular meeting of the board of town commissioners here on Monday night. The appointment of Mr. Skillman to this position came after he had made a report of the State Fire school which he attended at Durham last week and discussed. In the light of that meeting, needs for building, plumbing and electric inspectors here.

A permanent building inspector, and possibly an electric and plumbing inspector, will probably be appointed by the commissioners at their next regular meeting. The town has been without a building inspector since the resignation of R. L. Wilson as chief of police last month. Mr. Wilson had served as building inspector and tax collector as well as police chief.

Outside the appointment of Mr. Skillman as temporary building inspector and a favorable discussion of his report, other matters before the board were of a routine nature.

Robert W. Alston Dies At Hospital

Robert W. Alston, son of the late Major Rob Alston and Pattie Davis Alston, was buried in the Shady Grove Methodist cemetery on Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock following funeral services conducted from the church by the Rev. L. C. Brothers, with the Rev. Mr. Whithead of Henderson assisting.

Mr. Alston, seriously ill since an operation which he underwent on Tuesday, April 27, died on Saturday at midnight in Duke Hospital with complications which set in following his operation.

He is survived by five sisters and one brother: Mrs. John Hayes and Mrs. Mattie Southerland, Mrs. Lula Thompson, Mrs. John Clay Powell and Mrs. Annie Belle Alston of Inez, and Sam T. Alston of Inez.

Active pallbearers were Eugene Davis and Frederick Williams of Inez, John Beatty, John W. Hayes and Buster Hayes of Henderson, and Lewis Thompson of Franklinton. There were a large number of honorary pallbearers from many sections of Warren county.

Mr. Alston, known to friends as "Rob," was born in Shocco township at the old home place, "Millview." He lived his entire life there and was one of the most successful farmers of the community. In commenting on his death, a friend stated this week: "He was a man of merry Christian heart and always wore a cheerful countenance, through many days of suffering. He shall be greatly missed by all who knew him."

Among the out-of-town persons attending the funeral were Mr. and Mrs. Erskine Clements and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Alston of Henderson; Mr. and Mrs. Garland Alston and Will Thorne of Airle; Mesdames Will Williams, Hodgie Redwine, Miss Sue Alston and Henry Speed of Louisville; Mrs. Robert Alston and Miss Margaret Alston of Epsom; Mrs. Annie Bobbitt of Franklinton, and Williams and George Mordical of Raleigh.

Friends of Mr. John Burwell are glad to learn he has recovered from a recent illness.

Walter Allen, 86, Buried At Axtelle Sunday Afternoon

Funeral services for Walter Allen, highly respected citizen of Warren county who died at his home at Axtelle last Friday night, were conducted from the home on Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock by Dr. W. R. Cullom of Wake Forest College. Interment followed in the family cemetery.

Death came to Mr. Allen in his 86th year. He had been in declining health for several years and for two weeks prior to his death he had been in a critical condition.

Mr. Allen was born at Axtelle on September 1, 1851, and spent his entire life in that community where he operated a store and engaged in farming. He was widely known throughout the county, having served for a number of years as a member of the Board of County Commissioners. At one time he was chairman of the board.

In 1879 Mr. Allen was married to Miss Minnie Davis, and to this union was born one son, Sam Allen, and three daughters. Miss Eula Allen, Mrs. Eva Waston and Mrs. Myrtle Allen Bobbitt. Mrs. Bobbitt, as well as his wife, preceded him to the grave by a number of years. In addition to his surviving son and two daughters, he leaves one brother, Austin Allen, a Confederate veteran.

Pallbearers Sunday were Clement Rodwell, C. R. Rodwell, Marvin Overby, P. G. Seaman, W. T. Bobbitt and Erwin Fleming.

Methodist To Hold Zone Meeting 12th

Ladies of all Methodist churches of Warren county are urged by Mrs. John Burwell, zone leader, to attend the spring zone meeting to be held next Wednesday, May 12, at Calvary church below Littleton. The meeting will open promptly at 10 o'clock in the morning and auxiliary reports will be given first, she said, and requested that every one be on time.

Continuing her announcement of the meeting, the zone leader stated: "Our new district secretary, Mrs. Fred Johnson, will be with us and we are anxious that we give her the best showing possible of our work and our attendance. Dr. Charley P. Sheffey, recently returned missionary from Africa, and home on furlough, will be the guest speaker. Since so many denominations are studying Africa Missions we will be glad to have as many outsiders to come as care to come to hear him. Each bring a box lunch and be sure to come on time."

WINS SET

Selling a sufficient number of automobiles to meet the requirements set forth by the Pontiac Motor Co. to become known as a Master Salesman, E. E. Gillam of the Gillam Auto Company has been given this title and presented with a pen and pencil set. The title and gift were awarded for the number of cars Mr. Gillam sold during the first quarter of the year.

MEMORIAL SERVICES ON 23RD

Memorial services will be observed at the Arcola church on Sunday, May 23, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, according to announcement this week from E. W. Conn.

WOOD FAILS TO APPEAR IN COURT

Under \$300 Bond On Whiskey Law Violation Charge; A Capias Is Issued

DICKENS ASKS FOR JURY

Robert Wood, who was arrested last week with C. C. Dickens on a charge of manufacturing whiskey and released from jail on bond in the sum of \$300 several hours after he had married Peggy Heart, who was taken into custody with them and brought here to face a charge of immoral conduct which she escaped through the avenue of marriage, failed to appear in Recorder's court here on Monday to face trial and a capias was issued for him. Dickens requested a jury trial which automatically postponed his case.

The trio was arrested near Grove Hill by Sheriff W. J. Pinnell, Deputy Roy Shearin and Willis Neal on Wednesday of last week when officers went in search of a whiskey plant. After the still and other paraphernalia had been captured and the two men and woman taken in custody, they were brought to Warrenton and arrangements were underway for a preliminary hearing when the Heart woman, who gave Kinston as her home, and Wood, who stated he was from Spring Hope, told officers that they wished to enter into matrimony—a suggestion which the officers agreed to and dismissed the charge of immoral conduct against the woman. The men waived the preliminary hearing and bond was set at \$300 for each. After the marriage ceremony had been performed by Register of Deeds Joseph C. Powell, the husband was carried to jail where he remained until Wednesday night when bond was arranged for him by relatives or acquaintances of Spring Hope. When Wood is brought here to face the whiskey charge he will also be tried for operating a car with improper muffler.

Cases disposed of by Judge Rodwell and Solicitor Phippen included the following:
Robert Emmett Wynna of Durham was found guilty of reckless driving and was fined \$25.00 and taxed with court costs.
Judgment was suspended upon payment of costs in the case against John Powell, who was charged with giving a worthless check.
Found guilty of possessing unstamped whiskey, Effie Ruffin, negro woman, was sentenced to the county jail for a period of six months with the privilege of being placed in the county home by the commissioners, which they agreed to during their meeting here Monday.

Willie Threewitts of Littleton requested a jury trial and the case in which he is charged with operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of whiskey was automatically continued.
Jack Stansbury was convicted on a charge of assault upon a female. Judgment was suspended upon payment of costs. John Gregory, negro, who faced a similar charge was found not guilty.

Tom Alston and Viney Wiggins, negroes, were tried on an assault charge. The Wiggins woman was found not guilty and prayer for judgment was continued over Alston upon payment of court costs.
Prayer for judgment was continued upon payment of costs in the case against Walter Price, negro, charged with assault upon a female.
Five dollars and costs was the punishment given Walter Balthrop, negro, after he had been convicted on a charge of assault with a deadly weapon.

Kerr Tobacco Seed Bill Back In House

Washington, May 4.—Among bills and resolutions introduced today were the following by Representatives:

Kerr (D.-N. C.)—To prohibit the exportation of tobacco seed and plants except for experimental purposes, and then only by written permit from the Agricultural Secretary.

Weaver (D.-N. C.)—To hold railroads liable for the death of employees on account of equipment defects due to negligence.

Mrs. Robert L. Ramsay, wife of Congressman Ramsay of Follansbee, W. Va., is a guest of Mrs. Howard F. Jones.

J. J. Marshall, Baptist Minister, Dies At Hospital

The Rev. J. J. Marshall of Macon, pastor of the Quankie Baptist Church in Halifax county and the North Warrenton Baptist church, died Thursday morning at 4 o'clock in the Baptist hospital at Winston-Salem at the age of 57 years, nine months and eighteen days. He had been in failing health for approximately a year and for the past month had been seriously ill. He was taken to the hospital ten days ago.

Funeral services are to be conducted from the home today (Friday) at 3:30 o'clock in the afternoon by the Rev. R. E. Brickhouse, Baptist minister of Warrenton, officiating and Rev. J. W. Riggan and G. W. May assisting. Interment is to take place in the old family burying ground near the home.

In addition to serving as pastor of two churches, the Rev. Mr. Marshall was active in the Tar River Baptist Association, having led in the organization of three churches of the association, and having served as pastor of a number of the churches embodied in the organization.

The Rev. Mr. Marshall became united with the First United Baptist Church in Raleigh by baptism in 1893. He received his license to preach in May, 1899. He was graduated from the State School for the Blind in June, 1902, and was ordained to the ministry at Vaughan on March 23, 1910. During his ministry he baptised approximately 250 persons.

The deceased is survived by his wife, who before her marriage to him on November 17, 1920, was Mrs. Mary Pittman, and one brother, Henry Marshall of this county.

Pallbearers today will be Joe Harrison, Edward Ray and a Mr. Kenner of the Quankie church and Henry Fleming, Allen Lyles and Robert Mitchell of the North Warrenton church.

Lions Club Is Host High School Athletes

Athletes of the John Graham high school who during the past year had played on the football team and the boys and girls basket-ball teams were entertained at dinner last night by the Warrenton Lions Club.

The meeting was held last night rather than tonight, the regular time, in order to honor the girls and boys before school comes to a close tonight. In addition to the athletes, Coach Ward was also a guest of the club. He spoke of the pleasure it gave him to be present and the gratification it gave him to see the business men of Warrenton recognizing the efforts of the boys and girls and cooperating with the school in its desire to promote athletics. He named the students who are to receive letters and told for what they stood. Mayor William T. Polk also made a few remarks.

During the meeting, Jim Boyce, chairman of the committee named two weeks ago to select new officers of the club submitted the names of

Teeth Repossessed For Non-payment

Henderson, May 4.—James Emmanuel, Pettigrew street negro, is back on a soup and mush diet since Dr. J. D. Hawkins, local negro dentist, had claim and delivery papers issued against Emmanuel for a full upper plate containing two gold crowns, before Justice of the Peace F. B. Hight for non-payment.

Justice Hight has set Friday morning at 10 o'clock as the date and hour for the hearing.

Commenting on the unusual cases that have come before him, Justice Hight said this was the most unusual since a Negro bit off part of Constable P. L. Ellis' ear in the justice's office one day and spit it out on his desk.

Mayor And Board Given 26 Votes

Mayor William T. Polk and Commissioners G. H. Macon, W. R. Strickland, John Mitchell, Bignall Jones, Hugh Holt, George Scoggin and Herman Rodwell, nominees to be the governing body of the town, were elected at an election held in the court house on Tuesday. A total of 26 votes were cast.

CLAIM TIMBER IS OVERVALUED

Newell and Rodwell Question Justice Of Values Placed On Property By Appraisers

OTHERS MATTERS HEARD

Repercussion from the recently completed task of revaluing all real property in Warren county reached the ears of the commissioners on Monday when two property owners came before the board to voice strong objections to valuations which had been placed on timber land to which they held title.

F. B. Newell Sr. was the first of the two complainants to appear before the commissioners in regard to valuation, and although at the outset of his remarks he was told by the board that the law set aside the third Monday in June for matters of this nature to be heard, he insisted that as a taxpayer he had a right to be heard at any time and that he did not wish to wait that long to register his protest to what he termed "unjust" and "unfair" treatment.

Contending that his taxes had been increased by a valuation which had been placed on timber land at his home near Warrenton which he stated did not produce any more wood than was needed on his farm for barns and other purposes, Mr. Newell stated that he only wanted fair treatment and declared that he was going to have this or spend as much as \$1,000 in a law suit in an effort to get it.

Lawrence Robertson, who was head of the revaluation work, and who happened to be present at the time of Mr. Newell's remarks, stated that he had not gone through the body of woods but that he had inspected the timber from the road along two sides of it and that it appeared to him to be worth considerably more than the valuation of around \$450 which had been placed on it. Seeking to show that Mr. Newell's farm was placed on the tax books at a comparatively low figure, the tax assessor began questioning Mr. Newell in regard to the amount of insurance he carried on his place and the value of tenant houses on his farm. Mr. Newell replied that he was not prepared to say what amount of insurance he carried, claiming that question had nothing to do with the matter anyway, and said that his tenant houses were of little value.

The argument terminated with Mr. Newell expressing his intention of appointing three men to revalue his property—a right, he said, which the law gave him, and asked that the Board of County Commissioners appoint three more men for the same purpose.

Mr. Newell's main contention was that his rate had been raised on account of a value which had been placed on timber land, which, he said, did not produce any more timber than was needed on the farm.

Clyde Rodwell, as spokesman for the Warren Cotton & Fertilizer Co., complained to the board over an increase in valuation which had been placed on a large tract of timber land near Lick Skillet. He said that the tax assessors placed an exorbitant rate upon the timber without going over the property and that he was going to get some one who knew something about valuing timber to go over the place and come before the board at a later date to convince the commissioners that the new valuation was far too high.

Aside from the complaints over taxes, the commissioners spent an unusually quiet day and completed their session around 4:30 o'clock in the afternoon.

The commissioners instructed County Superintendent of Schools J. Edward Allen to advertise for bids for the construction of a negro school in Sandy Creek township to take care of pupils who have been taught in a church in that community since their building was destroyed by fire, which developed from lightning, approximately a year ago. The old building carried around \$2700 worth of insurance and the negro school leaders had hoped to take this money and use it in connection with a WPA project and secure a six-room building. To carry out their original plans they would need around \$1500 from the county and had been before the board on several occasions to secure this money, but were told by the commissioners at the March meeting to work out plans for a smaller