

## King and Queen Hold Garden Party



LONDON, Eng. . . . Queen Elizabeth, Queen Mother Mary and Princess Margaret Rose greet their guests as they arrive on the grounds of Buckingham Palace for the second garden party of the reign of King George VI and Queen Elizabeth.

## Mrs. C. L. Hallett, Native of Warren, Dies At Hospital

Final rites for Mrs. C. L. Hallett (nee Myrtice Gardner) of Cape Charles, Va., were held at her home in Cape Charles on Sunday afternoon, August 8th, at 4 o'clock, with her pastor, Rev. G. W. Powell in charge. Interment was in the Cape Charles cemetery. All of her sisters and three brothers were present for her funeral.

Mrs. Hallett died in St. Luke's Hospital, Richmond, Va., on Friday night, August 6th, after being in declining health for only a few weeks. She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Winfield S. Gardner of Churchill, and was the first of a large family of eleven children to go, and her sudden death was a great shock to her friends and loved ones. In early life she united with the M. E. Church and was greatly devoted to its work and ever loyal to the cause of humanity.

She was educated at the John Graham Academy and Louisburg College and after completing her education, taught school for nine years. A few years later, she became identified with the Bank of Cape Charles, Va., which position she held until the time of her marriage. Her business ability was soon recognized by her employers and she was made one of the directors of the bank.

On November 15, 1928, she was married to Mr. Curtis Lamar Hallett of Cape Charles. Her home life was one of affectionate devotion and loyalty. Full of hospitality, kindness, and good cheer, she will be sadly missed by her family, her friends and neighbors, and by her church, to which she was constant and true.

## Roanoke Island And The Lost Colony

By JOHN B. PALMER  
Saturday night, August 7, I witnessed the magnificent pageant-drama, "The Lost Colony," an outdoor play with music and dance, by Paul Green, North Carolina's and America's distinguished playwright. The theme is too great to attempt anything but a brief review.

The first English settlements in America were: Roanoke Island, N. C., 1585-1587; Jamestown Island, Va., 1607; Plymouth Rock, Mass., 1620. These were the pioneering steps of our English ancestors to carve an empire out of a wilderness.

Without the frustrated efforts of the gallant Sir Walter Raleigh and The Lost Colony, there probably would not have been the later successful colonization efforts at Jamestown in 1607 and at Plymouth Rock in 1620. Thus Roanoke Island in North Carolina is really the birthplace of English civilization.

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## Lightning Wrecks Chicken House At Riggan Place

Lightning, followed by fire, destroyed a chicken-house at the home of W. H. Riggan near Warrenton on Wednesday afternoon around 5 o'clock. A pump was also damaged and fuses in the home were burned out.

No chickens were in the hen-house which was used by Mr. Riggan prior to two years ago when he discontinued raising chickens on a large scale. The chicken-house was being used at the time as a storage place for hay. This was also destroyed by the fire.

The bolt of lightning came into the house on wires leading from the pump-house. No one was injured.

## CREEDMOOR GIRLS KILLED BY BOLT OF LIGHTNING

Creedmoor, Aug. 11.—A bolt of lightning instantly killed four attractive daughters of Mr. and Mrs. J. Edgar Hester of Creedmoor at about 4 o'clock Tuesday when they sought shelter under a cluster of bushes during a sudden shower.

They had been "tying" tobacco at the Hester farm one mile north of town on the Oxford highway. Under a wagon not more than 10 feet away were their father, a prominent Granville county farmer; their only brother, Joseph; and Roy Mangum, a cousin. Standing about the same distance away was Eugene Rogers, a neighbor. All four escaped injury entirely except Mangum, who was slightly shocked.

The girls were dead when their relatives rushed to them. The victims are: Misses Marice, 24, a graduate of Eastern Carolina Teachers College and teacher in the Stem School; Vivian Mae, 19, who graduated from a business school in Raleigh last week; Mary Swain, 16; and Edith Wiston Hester.

A joint funeral was conducted from the Creedmoor Baptist church Wednesday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock by the pastor, the Rev. S. L. Morgan, with interment following in the Creedmoor cemetery.

In addition to the parents and the brother, the girls are survived by a sister, Miss Annie Britt Hester, who recently completed a business course and holds a position in Raleigh.

## Hawkins Students Win Third Prize

At the close of a meeting of negro vocational students held at Bricks Institute, Enfield, the Chilean Nitrate Educational Bureau announces that the Hawkins chapter won third prize in the N. F. A. chapter contest, according to H. G. Rose, vocational teacher. He said that the \$7.50 prize was based on the secretary's book, N. F. A. scrap book, program of work, and membership. The Hawkins chapter was represented at the three day meeting by Misses Davis and Thomas Plummer.

## SCHOOL OUTLOOK BUMPER COTTON BEST IN HISTORY ALLEN DECLARES

State System Takes Great Step Forward In Plan Of Free Text Books For Grammar Grades

## HAD BEEN A HANDICAP

Library To Furnish Traveling Library As Aid To School Children of Warren

The opportunity for educational achievement is greater in the Warren county school system this year than ever has been the case in the past, Superintendent of Schools J. Edward Allen stated this week in commenting on the fact that this year for the first time in the history of North Carolina the state is not only making available free text-books for students in the grammar and elementary grades but is also providing supplementary readers on a rental basis for these pupils. In addition to this, he said, the Warren County Memorial Library has made arrangements for a traveling library which will visit the schools in the various communities every two weeks in order to afford the children an opportunity to secure books which they desire to read.

Pointing out that the lack of reading material in the past had been a serious handicap to the schools, Mr. Allen said that the forward step taken by the state to provide free text-books and supplementary readers had brought about opportunities for developing the mind which had come sooner than he had dreamed and hoped for. "When we can awaken a craving for knowledge in our schools and feed this desire in and without the classrooms, our greatest problem of education has been solved," he said.

It has not been determined how many free text-books and supplementary readers will be placed in the schools of the Warren county system this year. Eleven thousand were placed in the 27 negro schools which opened this week and many more will be brought here when the white schools and the other negro schools open. An agent from the State Text-book Rental Commission will be here today to determine the number of books needed in the John Graham school.

The free text-books are for children who have not reached the high school grades. Those in the high school, as has been the case for the past two years, may secure books on a rental basis, but the high school rental system is now complete for the first time. The supplementary readers, which are expected to number about ten for each student, are put out on the following basis: \$1.40 a year for those in the sixth and seventh grades; \$1.20 for those in the third, fourth and fifth grades; and \$1.00 for those in the first and second grades.

The books from the library, it is understood, will be free.

At the meeting of the Lions Club last week Supt. Allen informed members of the new school advantages which are in line with recommendations made by Governor Hoey, and later called on Bill Polk to discuss plans of the Warren County Memorial Library. Mr. Polk said that the library has always tried to supply material for all classes of readers and especially worthwhile books which may serve as parallel reading for those in the schools. He said that this year for the first time the library has made arrangements to secure a second-hand school bus to haul books over the county for the benefit of those who find it inconvenient to get to the library. This is one of the few counties of the state which will have this service this year, it is understood.

## UNUSUAL CANTALOUPE

A twin cantaloupe was brought to the office of The Warren Record for display purpose on Saturday by Ricks Mustian. The melon, which weighed between four and five pounds, appeared to be normal except for the fact that it was joined together. Mr. Mustian said that he had picked five similar cantaloupes from his two acres this summer.

## DAUGHTER BORN

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Roy Perkinson of Wise on Saturday, August 7, a daughter—Sallye Annice.

## Government Makes Forecast Of Fifteen And A Half Million Bales

SENDER PRICES TUMBLING

Government experts' prediction of a bumper cotton crop of 15,593,000 bales this season sent prices downward and southern farm representatives to Washington to renew demands for federal crop loans to check the decline.

The cotton crop estimate includes an increase in North Carolina from 597,000 to 727,000 bales, and Commissioner W. Kerr Scott of this state was one of the most enthusiastic members of the delegation to descend upon Washington to ask for more aid than cotton has ever received at this or any other administration.

Writing from Washington for the News and Observer, Robert Williams says: "Cotton is one crop which has never sold at parity, now figured at between 16 and 17 cents. The commissioners asked for a repetition of the 10c loan of 1935, with the important difference that subsidies would be paid up to the full amount of parity instead of up to 10c a pound as was the case in 1935. The plan would also make no distinction between the growers who have expanded and those who have not."

The commissioners appeared before the Senate agricultural committee Monday and expected to continue (Continued on page 8)

## Four Cases Are Heard In County Court Monday

Four cases were tried before Judge Rodwell in Recorder's court on Monday morning.

W. A. Powell was convicted on a charge of trespass and was given a 90 day road sentence which was suspended upon the condition that he remain of good behavior for a year and pay the court costs. He gave notice of appeal to Superior court.

Ten dollars and costs or 60 days on the roads was the sentence meted out by Judge Rodwell to William Henry Plummer, negro, was convicted on a charge of possessing unstamped liquor. The defendant paid out.

James Crosson, negro, who was riding with Plummer at the time he is alleged to have thrown a bottle of bootleg whiskey out of the car, also faced a charge of possessing unstamped whiskey. After his companion had been convicted by Solicitor Pippen he called for a jury trial which automatically postponed his case.

Refusal of Ernest Weldon to surrender his drivers license when called for by the state patrolman was responsible for him being in court. The patrolman called for the license on the grounds that Weldon had received treatment in a state hospital, which, it was stated, automatically revokes an inmates license. The defendant was ordered to surrender his license and appear in court on August 16 for judgment.

Mrs. Katherine Black of High Point submitted to a charge of operating an automobile on the highway in a careless and reckless manner. Judgment was suspended upon payment of costs.

## Miss Pippen To Tobacco Festival

Littleton, Aug. 12.—Miss Emily Pippen was selected last week by Mayor John J. Taylor to represent Littleton at the first Eastern Carolina Tobacco Festival in Wilson on August 19-20. Miss Pippen will attend the various activities given in honor of the sponsors on those two days and will participate in the contest for the honor of being chosen Queen of the Festival.

## SHEPHERD AND MARTIN FAMILIES TO HAVE REUNION

The Shepherds and Martins will hold their annual family reunion at the home of Mrs. Delia F. Aycocks on Sunday, August 15. All relatives of the families are invited and requested to be present. A basket dinner will be served on the ground.

## ACKNOWLEDGES THANKS

The Warren Record acknowledges its appreciation for some fine cantaloupes left here a few days ago by John W. Mayfield Sr.

## County-Wide Tax Rate Boosted From 60c to 85c

### 27 Negro Schools Begin Work For 1937-38 Session

Twenty-seven of the negro schools of the county began their 1937-38 session on Monday and will run until cotton opens sufficiently to cut down attendance to the point where it is not logical to operate, it was learned from the office of the superintendent of schools this week. The other 15 negro schools of the county, most of which are located in sections where farm labor is at present in demand, will open on September 8—the same time that the white schools of the county system begin their work.

With the opening of the 27 negro schools this week 11,000 free text-books were turned over to the teachers for use among the pupils. This is the first time in the history of the state that free text-books have been made available to students in the lower grades. Two years ago they were put on a rental basis for the first time and this system will continue to apply to students in high school, it is understood.

### Home Economics Teacher To Begin Work Next Week

Miss Emelyne Evans of Tennessee, a George Reed teacher, is expected to arrive here on Sunday to begin ten months of service as Home Economics teacher in the John Graham High School and carry out instructive projects in cooking and canning in various communities of the county.

Miss Evans, who taught Home Economics in the Littleton High School for the past four years, is paid for ten months in her line by the Federal government through the George Reed fund.

She arrives in the county practically a month before school opens and remains for practically a month after school closes. The John Graham school opens on September 8.

### Hutson Discusses New Farm Plan

The ideal farm program under the AAA would be one confined to educational work and soil conservation but in actual experience such a program is inadequate.

This is the opinion of J. B. Hutson, assistant administrator of the Agricultural Adjustment Administration, who spoke twice last week before delegates attending the 34th annual Farm and Home week exercises at State College.

Mr. Hutson said it was almost a necessary to place some restrictions on the production of price-depressing surpluses of cash crops. Even with acreage control, there are oftentimes good growing seasons when production will go higher than was anticipated. Mr. Hutson declared that the present tobacco crop indicated a production of 750 million pounds and if the amount did not go materially beyond this figure, prices should be as good or better than last year. The cotton situation does not look so good, he said. Indications are that a 14 million bale crop will be produced in the South with consumption at 13 million bales for this year.

Looking forward to 1938, Mr. Hutson said a simplified and more equitable farm program is being constructed by the AAA. The idea is not to make farm commodities scarce but to keep cash crop production in line with market needs. A special effort will be made to help growers of truck crops and the whole program will be developed so as to fit to every kind of farm in this and other states. It is likely that the old "base acreage" plan will be discarded but that each farmer will be given his share of the soil depleting crops that he can grow without penalty and will be paid on that allotment. The allotments will be made by counties and divided within the counties by committees of farmers.

### VISIT MASSACHUSETTS

Mrs. Tasker Polk, Mr. and Mrs. John Mitchell and Mr. James Polk left Tuesday for Provincetown, Mass. They are expected to be gone for about ten days.

### Social Security Law And Several Other Factors Force Commissioners To Up Tax Rate 25c

### SCHOOLS GET 5c RAISE \$3,000 To Go For Additional Rooms At John Graham High School

The county-wide tax rate for the fiscal year 1937-38 will be 85c on the \$100 valuation as compared with 60c last year the tentative budget adopted by the Board of County Commissioners in special session last week and prepared for publication this week reveals.

The 25c increase in the county-wide rate is due primarily to an appropriation to match funds demanded under provisions of the Social Security Act, to a 5c increase for the schools and to laws passed at the last session of the legislature effecting Warren county, according to Board Chairman William Burroughs and Auditor T. B. Gardner. Part of the additional revenue will also be used to take care of obligations that the county has already made for school purposes.

Twenty cents of the 25c raise goes to the general fund for operating expenses, and the additional 5c represents an increase from 18c to 23c in the county-wide levy for school purposes. This increase was made necessary, it was stated, on account of repairs needed in many schools of the county. A total of \$21,000 was the capital outlay provided in the budget for the schools.

The twenty cents increase to go to the general fund for operating the county is expected to raise around \$18,400 from a total county-wide valuation of \$9,449,000.00. This additional revenue is expected to be disbursed in the following manner: For the blind, old age and dependent children under the provisions of the Social Security Act, \$9,704; for water works and sewerage at the Hawkins High School several months ago, \$1,700; for a temporary building at the John Graham High School to relieve overcrowded conditions, \$3,000; for local laws adopted at the last session of the legislature authorizing an increase in salaries for county officials and to compensate Mrs. Macey Pridden for the loss of her first husband, Sam Pinnell, who was killed a number of years ago while serving as an officer, \$3,500.

The law requiring the county to pay the estate of Mr. Pinnell says that a total of \$2,000 shall go for this purpose and that it is to be paid in a period of several years at so much a year.

The 85c county-wide rate is made up of the following levies: general fund, 15c; health and poor, 18c; court costs and jail expenses, 7c; old age assistance, dependent children and aid to the blind, 14c; bonds, 8c; schools, 23c.

Although the tax rate has been increased by 25c from a county-wide standpoint, this does not mean that all taxpayers will have to pay 25c more on the \$100 valuation this year than they paid last year. This is due to the fact that school bonds have been lowered to some extent in several townships. For instance, those living in Warrenton township last year paid the 60c county-wide rate and an additional 40c rate for school bonds. The school rate has been lowered (Continued on page 4)

### Revival Services At Reedy Creek

Revival services will begin at the Reedy Creek Baptist church on Sunday evening, August 15, at 8 o'clock. The Rev. Paul Worrel will assist the Rev. Mr. Roach in conducting the meeting which is expected to come to a close on Friday night.

### Bishop Penick To Preach To Negroes

Rt. Rev. Edwin A. Penick, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese of North Carolina, will visit All Saints Episcopal Church here on Sunday, August 15, at 11 o'clock, announcement was made this week. An invitation is extended both white and colored people to hear Bishop Penick.