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TO HAVE SUIT ON QUESTION OF TAX

Town Refuses To Pay County Levy On Town-Owned Hotel Warren

ISSUES TO BE SUBMITTED

The Town of Warrenton will ener a friendly suit against the Counr of Warren with the view of seturing a ruling which might eliminate the town from paying taxes on municipally-owned Hotel Warren. at present the county taxes on the hotel amount to \$312.50 annually. Town authorities take the view that since the town owns the hotel it should not be subject to taxation. County officials look at the matter from the angle that the hotel is a tevenue producing enterprise and therefore it should be taxed.

The question of taxing the hotel has been one of discussion since the own bought the property at public auction several years ago. Prior to that time it was a corporation and was on the county's tax books, but after it became entirely municipally owned citizens here expressed the view that it should escape taxation. It remained on the tax books and the town retaliated by taxing the whiskey store located in Warrenton. Town Attorney Frank H. Gibbs carried the matter before the Board of County Commissioners at their regular meeting here on Monday and the following resolution was

Whereas the Town of Warrenton has instructed the Town Attorney to institute Injunction Proceedings against the County of Warren to restrain the county from levying and collecting taxes upon the Hotel

"Whereas it appears that a case agreed upon may be submitted to the Courts with less expense, be it resolved that the County Attorney saree with the Town Attorney upon a statement of facts, if they can agree, for submission to the courts, th proper verification of pleadings proper county officials."

Uncle Warrenton Man Dies In Raleigh

Raleigh, Aug. 10.—Fitzhugh Tretzant Ricks, well known Raleigh citrailroad and banking enterprises, season also closes, he said. ded early yesterday morning after an extended illness.

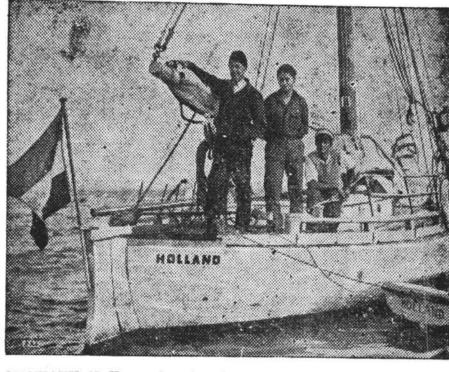
to his many friends, was 62 years Louisa Vaughan Ricks. He was born in Franklin, Virginia, December 11, for more than 40 years.

Mr. Ricks came to Raleigh as a printer's apprentice with the Christian Sun and later became associated with Mr. Mills, who built the Raleigh and Southport Railway, Norfolk Southern system. Mr. Ricks remained with Mr. Mills in a busiless capacity until the latter's death erving both the railroad and the anchor Trust Company, a financial astitution identified with the Mills nterests of which he was cashier. following the death of Mr. Mills, Mr. Ricks retired from active busiless affairs. He was the principal assistant of Mr. Mills in his various enterprises and lived for a number gears at the Mills home here.

Mr. Ricks is survived by one siser, Mrs. Amasa P. Read. of Littleon; a sister-in-law, Mrs. Sallie H. Ricks of Blacksburg, Va.,; and a Franklin, Va. The following nieces and nephews also survive: Miss Helen Ricks and Robert A. Ricks of Blacksburg, Va.; Miss Mary Vaughan of Portsmouth, Va.; L. W. Vaughan, f. Mrs. James Moore and Mrs. Ricks Vaughan of Petersburg, Va.; C.; Mrs. Richard Jeffress of Palmer Springs. Va.; Vance Vaughan, loy Vaughan, Carroll Vaughan and Pober: Vaughan of Franklin, Va.; Mrs. Robert B. Robinson of Littleon, Fitzhugh T. Read of Warrenn; Franklin A. Read of Wood; John Louis Read of Palmer Springs, Va.; and Mrs. Arrington Davis of

The funeral service will be held is afternoon at 3 o'clock at the alted Church, of which he was a ember, and will be conducted by Rev. J H. Shore of Roxboro. The body will remain at Brown's (Continued on page 8)

Will Brave Atlantic In 38-Footer



MONTAUK, N. Y. . . . Ignoring this age of speed in which airplanes roar over the Atlantic to set new travel records, J. G. Kuijt (left), a retired planter of the Dutch Indies, is shown with two members of his crew aboard the sailboat, "The Holland," preparatory to leaving for the return trip to Holland. The skipper expects to make the trip in this forty-year-old-boat in about 25 to 35 days.

Three Defendants

Monday morning.

on the roads.

Face Rodwell In

Improper operation of motor ve-

Found guilty of driving drunk

privilege of paying a \$50.00 fine and

Elijah Blackwell, negro, was con-

victed on a charge of assault with a

deadly weapon. He was given a four

suspended on the condition that he

The officer stated that he was not

J. C. Moore To

In the absence of the minister

EPISCOPAL SERVICES

Emmanuel Episcopal Church on

announced this week. The public

is invited to attend.

Haymarket, Va.

Services will be conducted

pay a \$25.00 fine and court costs.

Sheriff Slightly

Company B Men Will Likely Reach Home Saturday

Members of Company B are faring well and enjoying their training hicles and quarreling were responin Mississippi, according to a tele-sible for three defendants being gram received by this newspaper brought before Judge T. O. Rodwell from Capt. Harold R. Skillman on to face trial in Recorder's court on

In the message which was wired | W. H. Currie was found guilty of from Ashe Nurseries Captain Skill- reckless driving, but it having been man said: "Company in fine shape, made known to the court that he few men have been sick. In spite had made restitution in full to the of considerable rain enjoyed man- family of the injured party judgeuvers greatly. Probably reach ment was suspended upon payment home Saturday."

The company left Warrenton two weeks ago Sunday morning for the Charlie Alston, negro, was given the annual encampment.

Dove Season To Open September 1

The season for dove hunting will remain open from September 1 through September 30 when it will close to reopen on December 20 until January 31, Game Warden E. Hunter Pinnell announced this

The qual and turkey season will not open until December 15, but rabin who was identified for many bits may be hunted from November slight bruise on his head and a small allocations made by the Governor years with the late John A. Mills in 20 until February 15, when the bird cut on his arm last Friday when his within the last thirteen months for

taken with gun or dogs from Octo-, Oine. "Captain" Ricks, as he was known ber 15 to February 15, but the season for trapping these animals does sheriff's car struck a rough place in and a similar sum last May. old the son of the late Collin and not open until November 1. The the road and threw him from under Chairman Frank L. Dunlap and

1875, and made his home in Raleigh chased are listed as follows by the highway it suddenly turned into an of Chapel Hill, special PWA engi-

Warrenton, court house; Norlina, its top. Delbridge's Store; Littleton, W. R. Wiggins' Store; Inez, Davis' Store; machine and walked to Wise where hopes to submit its permanent im-Elberon, Aycock's Store; Vaughan, he was picked up and brought to provements applications under the Jesse Harris' Store; Arcola, R. L. Warrenton. The car was said to Thich later became a part of the Capps' Store; Drewry, J. C. Wat- have been completely wrecked. kins' Store; Roanoke township, Jones' Store.

To Hold Institute Of Singing At Macon he could not travel at a rapid rate

Professor Will H. Ruebush of the ing to miss a bed of rock in the road Ruebush-Keiffer Co., Dayton, Vir- and the front wheel of his machine ginia, will conduct a two weeks became wedged against the stone in singing institute at the Macon some manner and when this hap-Methodist Church, beginning Aug- pened it caused his car to jolt him ust 22, under the auspices of the from under the wheel. Macon Methodist and Baptist Churches and Gardner's Church. The attendance from other churches is not prohibited provided those who tother-in-law, L. W. Vaughan of wish to attend will make the necessary arrangements with those in charge, it was stated.

Mr. Ruebush, it was said, has had tending the summer conference at considerable experience in conduct- Montreat, there will be no services ing singing institutes and comes to at the Warrenton Presbyterian Macon highly recommended. The Church on Sunday evening, August Stuart Tripp of Norfolk, Va.; Collin classes will be held in the afternoon 14. However, the minister stated, and evening, and there is a possi- there will be a service Sunday morn-Mrs. LaFayette Cox of Washington, bility of a meeting being held on ing, August 21, at 11 o'clock, which betterment of the highways Sunday afternoon, August 21. Fur- will be conducted by J. C. Moore, ther announcement will be made one of the officers of the church.

next week. Churches interested in sending delegates to take part in the insti- regular morning service will be contute are requested to see Simon ducted at 11 o'clock by Mr. Moore. Gardner, or Edwin Russell at Macon or Jesse Gardner at Five Forks.

IN CANADA

Mr. and Mrs. T. I. Cheek of Inez Sunday morning at 11 o'clock by and Mr. William L. Martin of War- Hobart T. Steele of Burlington, the renton recently left for Canada Rev. B. N. de Foe-Wagner, rector, where Mr. Cheek has been employed for the past several years as a tobacco curer. They are expected to Burial will follow in Oakwood of interest before they return home with the Rev. Frank Carpenter in Coan, totaling \$256,752 to give emabout the last of September.

TO STUDY SITE FOR FISH POND

Representative of Department Of Conservation Expected In Warren Today

SUPPORT IS PROMISED

Representatives of the Department of Conservation and Development will be in Warren county today to study the site on Fishing Creek, between No Bottom and the old Ridgeway road, which is being advocated as a federal project for the construction of a fish pond with a dam which has been estimated to cost around \$25,000 and back water over between two and three hundred acres of land.

In a letter received on Wednesday of this week from Commissioner J. D. Chalk of the Department of Conservation and Development he stated, "I feel sure that the project will meet with our approval and we will be glad to recommend it."

The Commissioner said that he had talked the matter over thoroughly with Game Warden E. Hunter Pinnell, John Kilian and E. G. Recorder's Court Hecht on Tuesday but in order to make a first hand report either he or Mr. Kugler would appear in Warrenton Friday of this week in order to look over the site of the proposed lake. He also said that if possible the department would have its engineer make the preliminary survey and lay all the water levels in order to determine what land will be

Allocate \$2,200,000 For State Highways Improvement Work tion of only 240 pounds.

Raleigh, July 11.-Governor Hoey late yesterday allocated \$2,200,000 North Carolina's poor prospects. court costs or serving four months from the highway fund surplus for First, the spring was too cool and improving primary highways.

months road sentence which was PWA grants of \$1,800,000 as a 45 per | weevils are now propably the worst | who suggested they get off a letter cent supplement to total \$4,000,000 in the State's history at this date. for the program. The Governor expressed confidence the Federal aid Alleged Trouble Hurt In Wreck would be given.

A \$4,000,000 improvement pro-Sheriff W. J. Pinnell received a gram for primary roads will equal Pontiac automobile turned bottoms additional work on secondary roads. O'possum and Raccoon may be up on the road between Wise and He allocated \$2,000,000 in addition to the regular appropriation for sec-The accident occurred when the ondary roads in July of last year

same is true of mink and muskrat. the wheel. As he tried to regain his members of the Highway Commis-Places where licenses may be pur- seat and pull the car back into the sion will confer with Dr. H. G. Baity embankment and pitched over on neer for North Carolina, this week to prepare PWA applications to be Sheriff Pinnell climbed from the made by Monday, when the State special session bond act.

Meanwhile, work of highway commissioners will include detailed traveling fast at the time of the specifications of the roads on which accident. In fact, he said, the road the \$4,000,000 fund is to be spent. was familiar to him and he knew Paramount for consideration will be that it was in such condition that 16-foot roads, dangerously narrow bridges and flat curves where the over it. He stated that he was trymost fatalities have occurred.

Although Chairman Dunlap requested of the Budget Commission a \$40,000,000 special session provision for standardizing State highways, the Governor declared it his intention to "specialize on pressing needs without reducing -mainten ance."

Conduct Services "The present allocation is made possible because it was not necessary to divert any highway funds to the general fund during the past the Rev. C. R. Jenkins, who is atfiscal year," he said.

Commenting on the highway surplus, he added, "The money has been paid by those who operate motor vehicles and they are entitled to have this money applied as fully is more important to have safe roads and roads capable of use all the At the Littleton Presbyterian year around than to maintain a Church on Sunday, August 14, the large surplus."

> Simultaneously with the announcment yesterday that \$2,200,000 in highway fund surplus had been allocated to improvement of primary highways, George W. Coan, Jr., State WPA administrator, revealed that total repairs and improvements to farm-to-market roads under the WPA program had reached nearly \$10,000,000.

Eleven projects, in all, were ap-The Rev. Mr. Wagner left on Monproved yesterday by Administrator at Belhaven. day morning to spend his vacation

"Miss American Legion"



NEW YORK, N. Y. . . . Miss Evelyn "Miss American Legion," with Vic MacKenzie, National Convention Director of the Legion, as they appeared here to invite Governor Lehman and Mayor LaGuardia to the Legionnaires' National Convention in Los Angeles, Calif., in September, Miss Keyes is making a nation wide air tour inviting State and City officials to the con-

State Cotton Crop Worst In Years; Acre Yield Low

The cotton crop this year finds the worst conditions in North Carolina and Virginia, according to the Crop Reporting Service as of August 1. In fact, the Service points out, the prospective crop of 453,000 bales in North Carolina is the smallest for 37 years. The yield per acre of 338 pounds last year was 40 per

Continued rains of June and July are held responsible for most of

Over Woman Is Blamed For Killing

Ed Lewis, negro about 18 years old died in a Rocky Mount hospital yesterday morning from a wound he received at Inez on Tuesday night when he was shot in the abdomen with a pistol by Ed Dowtin. A girl is said to have been the cause of the trouble between the two negroes.

A preliminary hearing has not yet been held for Dowtin. At present he is being held in the Warren county

Announces Musical Program At Macon court house.

A program rich in musical and Church on or about the 19th of this Macon announced this week. Those expected to take part are Misses Drusa Wilker, Lilly Belle Dameron, Martha Harris and Mesdames Clem Weldon and Margaret Harris

The exact date of the entertainment will be announced later, Miss Thompson said and requested that as many as possible be present for the enjoyable evening. A silver offering will be taken.

Speeding In Business Section Must Cease this recreational center.

section of Warrenton must stop. Chief of Police Jack Scott warned both the armory and fish pond prothan the law allows through town approval or rejection in an election Edith Allen, Mary and Elizabeth and in the future he was going to to be called at a later date. make arrests rather than continue to warn motorists against speeding and driving recklessly through War-

Mr. and Mrs. John Mitchell will be week end visitors at Vade Mecum Mrs. D. F. Blaylock spent Wednesday in Raleigh as a guest of Miss

Frances McGee. Mrs. W. Duke Jones returned to her home here last Saturday after spending a week with her parents

Dr. John Smith of Rocky Mount was a visitor here this week.

County-Wide Tax Rate To Remain 85c On \$100

Board Asks Solon To Legalize Bond Issue For Armory

Representative T. H. Aycock, who is in Raleigh attending the special session of the legislature called by Governor Hoey to secure supplemental funds for Public Works Administration grants, has been requested by the Board of County Commissioners to endeavor to get a special act through the general assembly which will enable this county to vote on bonds for the erection of an armory for Company B.

Under the law, the board of commissioners has been informed by County Attorney Julius Banzet, the county cannot put the armory project before the public for a vote on the issuance of bonds unless authority is granted to do so by the legis-

No special act is required to submit the court house and school house projects, which have also been recommended and approved by the county, but like the armory is requires a special act to place the fish pond project on the ballot for

The difference in the armory and fish pond projects and the projects for the erection of school houses and improvements to the court house lies in the fact the latter two are construed as being necessary expenses while the former two are not The statute, it was stated, gives city the authority to issue bonds cent more than this year's indica- for the construction of an armory swimming pool or other recreational center but does not grant this power to a county.

The fact that the county has no right to include the armory projecwidening narrow roads and bridges, too dry in May for good germina- on the ballot in the proposed bond removing flat curves and otherwise tion. After replanting, rains set in election unless a special act is passand boll weevils emerged earlier and ed by the legislature for Warren The Highway Commission, which heavier than usual. According to county was brought to the attention ought the allocation, will apply for the Crop Reporting Service the boll of board members by Mr. Banzet at once to Representative Aycock requesting that the special act be adopted. The letter was written by Mr. Banzet Monday afternoon, signed by Chairman Burroughs, and sent to Mr. Aycock by special de-

Acting at the request of many who attended a mass meeting here two weeks ago and registered sentiment in favor of securing federal aid for carrying on various projects in this county, the commissioners at their meeting on Thursday of last week ordered that application be made to the government for a grant of \$45,113.75 to supplement a fund of \$67,361.25 which this county proposes to raise through a bond issue for the erection of an armory, construction and additions to school houses and for improvements at the

On Monday of this week a delegation appeared before the board redramatic talent will be given in the questing that the question of buildsocial hall of the Macon M. E. ing a fish pond on Fishing Creek. Warren county by the State Highmonth, Miss Helen Thompson of the ballots to be used in the election to replace T. H. Aycock as superwhich the board has agreed to hold. Advocates of this project were told to get their plans worked up in on the ballot with the other pro- week. jects provided the law permitted it to be done.

John G. Kilian, E. Hunter Pinnell and E. G. Hecht appeared before the their luncheon guests on Saturday Department of Conservation and Dr. J. Henry Highsmith, Director of Development in Raleigh Tuesday in the Division of Instructional Service behalf of the fish pond project and of the State Department of Public also contacted Representative Ay- Instruction; Mr. H. Arnold Perry, cock in regard to a special act for State Supervisor of Elementary

Speeding through the business unable to get the special act through tion of State College, Raleigh. the legislature it is expected that this week. The officer stated that jects will be left off the ballot but he has stopped and cautioned sev- that the other two projects will be eral persons about traveling faster submitted to the voters for their for two weeks: Misses Jean and

> Raleigh is a guest of relatives here. Mrs. T. A. Baxter and Miss Kath- Arden Tucker and Lula McGraw erine Baxter spent Tuesday in Dur-

Mrs. J. D. Newell, Mrs. Norman Newell and Sonny are spending this week with Mrs. W. J. Edwards at

Mr. A. W. Bracey is visiting relatives in Marion.

Miss Ann Burwell of New York is a guest of her family here. Mr. and Mrs. M. T. Pridgen spent

Wednesday in Richmond.

Slight Increase In Majority Of School Districts Due To Loss of Intangibles

LEVIES FOR ROAD BONDS

Warren county's tax rate for the fiscal year 1938-39 will remain the same as was in effect last year when the Board of County Commissioners set the rate at 85c on the \$100 valuation.

While the county-wide rate remains the same there is a slight increase in most of the special school districts which was made necessary by the state taking over taxes from intangible property. The Warrenton district was harder hit in this manner than were the other districts due to the fact that a great portion of intangible taxes were taken from this town.

The 85c county-wide levy is made up of the following items: General Fund, 22c; Health and Poor Fund, 32c; County Bond Fund, 8c; County School Debt Service, etc., 23c.

In addition to the county-wide rate levies are made in seven townships to take care of road bonds which were issued before the state took over the roads. The townships and the rates are as follows: River, 30c: Hawtree, 30c: Nutbush, 25c; Fishing Creek, 25c; Judkins, 35c; Warrenton, 10c; Fork, 50c; Roanoke, 70c.

The taxes in the special school districts on the \$100 valuation are: Wise, 13c as compared with 6c last year: Vaughan, 5c as compared with 4c last year; Macon, 26c as compared with 22c last year; Warrenton, 40c as compared with 30c last year; Norlina, 13c, the same as last year; Afton-Elberon, 4c this year and 2c last year; Littleton, 50c for each year; and Drewry 6c as compared with 8c for last year.

The board also adopted a tentative school budget calling for a total outlay of \$29,895.60, of which sum the county raises \$21,295.60 from the 21c levy which is made in the county-wide rate for school purposes. The remainder comes to the schools from poll taxes, fines, forfeitures and penalties, dog tax and intangible

The tentative budget was adopted at a special meeting of the Board of County Commissioners on Monday and will remain open for 20 days during which time it will be open for inspection of citizens and for any changes which are found

In addition to working over finances and paying several bills the board agreed to give Edward Davis the job of building a wash house at the county home at the price of \$440.00.

Braswell Serving For T. H. Aycock

Former Sheriff J. S. Braswell of Richmond county has been sent to above No Bottom, be submitted on way and Public Works Commission intendent of the Warren County Prison Camp while Mr. Aycock is in Raleigh attending the special sesproper shape, including the cost, sion of the legislature which conand that this would also be included vened on Monday morning of this

EDUCATORS HERE

Supt. and Mrs. J. E. Allen had as Schools, and Prof. Armstrong of the Should Representative Aycock be Department of Vocational Educa-

TO LEAVE FOR CAMP The following children will leave

on Sunday for Vade Mecum Camp Weston, Mary Catherine Allen, Patsy Rodgers, Fairfax Mitchell, Miss Mary Speed Massenburg of Mary Spottswood Baskervill, Margaret Rodwell, Jane Peete, Mary

> Miss Lucy Grimmer of Robersonville is visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Grimmer.

> Mr. Franklin C. Rook of Birmingham, Ala., and Mr. Bill Rook of Goldsboro are guests this week of Dr. and Mrs. W. D. Rodgers.

> some time on the tobacco market

Mr. Branch Bobbitt is spendingin Lumberton.