

BOARD STUDIES INSOLVENT LIST

Commissioners Agree to Pay Half Hospital Bill After Lengthy Debate

TO TURN OVER BOOKS

The Board of County Commissioners was in session Wednesday morning to study the insolvent list preparatory to turning the books over to Sheriff Pinnell for the collection of 1938 taxes.

It is expected that the books will be turned over to the sheriff the first Monday in October. In the meantime he is to push collections which are slightly behind those of last year.

In addition to discussing the tax records, the commissioners attended to several other matters, including the issuance of a beer and wine license to G. C. Brown and instructing the chairman to properly execute the note of \$7,000 which represents money the county borrowed temporarily to pay its share of the cost of erecting a negro school in Sandy Creek township and a school bus garage at Warren Plains.

The board also agreed to pay Fitzhugh Read \$68.00 as approximately half of the hospital bill of Sidney Jiggett which Mr. Read stood for when he rushed the old and poor negro, who was in a critical condition, to Park View hospital, Rocky Mount, several months ago. Mr. Read paid the other part of the bill.

It was with reluctance that the board settled the hospital bill with Mr. Read, one or two of its members pointing out that to do so would violate a rule made by the commissioners previously not to pay any more hospital bills unless the patient was ordered to a hospital by the welfare officer or a member of the board.

Mr. Read explained that when the case was brought to his attention and he was assured by a physician that the indigent negro could not live but a few hours unless he received the benefit of an operation he informed the welfare officer of the situation and her inability to get him in Duke hospital within ten days led him to call several hospitals and finally get him admitted in Park View at a rate of \$3.00 a day. Informed by board members that if the case had been handled by one of the commissioners the negro would have been admitted at the county rate of \$2 a day for patients of this type, Mr. Read replied that he was unaware of this fact, that he thought he was contacting the right person when he went to the head of the county welfare department, and reminded the commissioners that it was an emergency case. "It was a case of life or death and I would save almost any man's life if I could do so for \$150, provided I had the money," Mr. Read stated in requesting the board to pay half of the negro's hospital bill, which totaled around \$140.

After discussing the matter pro and con the board agreed to pay Mr. Read \$68.00. Mr. Read had already been paid around \$30.00 by relatives of Jiggett, but this amount was offset by telephone calls, getting the patient to the hospital and buying medicine, he told board members. "After all, by me paying half the bill the county is getting out with less expense at the \$3.00 a day rate than it would have if the patient had been sent there by the county at a rate of \$2.00 a day," he said.

Jiggett lives on a farm adjoining Mr. Read's.

Miss Falkener Is Y. P. S. L. President

Miss Sarah Hilah Falkener, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. K. Falkener was elected president of the Junior Young Peoples' Service League of Emmanuel church at a meeting held in the Parish House on Sunday night. Other officers were: Vice president, Miss Lula McCraw Gay; secretary, Miss Mary Arden Tucker; treasurer, Miss Katherine Petar; reporter, Miss Mary Spottswood Baskerville.

Sponsors for the junior organization are Mrs. J. P. Scoggin, Misses Elizabeth Wagner and Sarah Massemburg. The league is to hold another meeting Sunday night at 8 o'clock, it was announced.

Bob Kirkland of Littleton was a visitor here yesterday.

DING! DONG! DELL! COW IS IN THE WELL

There was a slight commotion in the peaceful little village of Warren Plains yesterday morning when a crowd gathered at the home of Walter Dunston, negro, to give advice and render assistance in getting his cow from the bottom of a well approximately 30 feet deep into which she had fallen earlier in the day.

After several hours of labor the cow was brought from the well by means of a block and tackle and late yesterday afternoon she was grazing around apparently none the worse for wear.

The animal is believed to have backed into the old well, which was covered with rotten planks and honeysuckle, in the morning around 8 o'clock. A mysterious lowing was heard shortly after that time by Tom Basket, negro, and an investigation revealed that the cow was in the well.

Gitty! Gitty! Gout!
The neighbors got her out!

Preparations Are Being Completed For Warren Fair

Preparation for Warren County's Agricultural Fair, which is to be held here under the auspices of the Warrenton Lions Club during the week of October 3, is going forward rapidly amid a certain amount of enthusiasm as plans are being whittled into shape by members of the civic body and their co-workers to make the occasion even more praiseworthy and enjoyable than the fair of last year which won the approval of thousands of citizens from this and other counties who trekked through the gates to view the outstanding exhibits, enjoy the midway and mingle with friends.

For the past week members of the Lions Club have been at the fair grounds almost every night arranging booths for the various and numerous exhibits which are expected to be on display to compete for the more than \$500.00 worth of prizes offered in the premium books which went into the hands of farmers, their wives, and many others months ago in order that they could arrange and plan for the event.

While the menfolk are working at night, and in the daytime, too, young boys and girls of school age are utilizing their spare time to sell advance tickets to the fair, for which they will be rewarded according to their success in the contest. Mrs. C. K. Plancon is managing the sale of tickets and her headquarters are in the trailer on court square. Those desiring booths in the exhibit hall may also visit Mrs. Plancon in the trailer and make the necessary arrangements.

In addition to prizes which are to be given for exhibits, the fair association will also offer prizes to the farmers whose teams win out in the mule pulling contest on Thursday night of Fair Week, and a cash prize each night to the person holding a lucky advance sale ticket.

Endy Bros, which proved successful last year in providing amusement for young and old of both sexes with their many rides and other attractions, will again play the midway.

The cannon act, which will be offered as a free attraction every night, is predicted to draw tremendous crowds and hold them spellbound as a man is shot from the mouth of a cannon, high into the air and over twin ferris wheels.

Present indications give promise of the biggest and most enjoyable fair that has ever been held in Warren county.

EPISCOPAL SERVICES

Holy Communion will be celebrated at Emmanuel Episcopal Church on Sunday morning at 8 o'clock, followed by morning prayer at 11 o'clock, the Rev. B. N. de Foe Wagner announced this week. On Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock evening prayer will be conducted in Good Shepherd Church, Ridgeway, he said. The public is invited to attend.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Knight of Glen Lynn, who have been visiting relatives here for several days, are now spending some time with relatives in Raleigh.

Mrs. H. Clyde Fleming of Morehead City is a guest of Mrs. B. P. Terrell.

No Arrest — Just Protection



ATLANTIC CITY, N. J. . . This is no arrest, just protection for the world's most expensive bathing suit, valued at \$250,000. Miss Atlantic City of 1938 (Miss Eileen MacSherry) modeled the suit made of platinum, pearls, rubies, and diamonds on the Steel Pier, while acting as hostess to the 50 priceless beauties who competed for the title of Miss America. This costly suit was designed by Harold A. Brand.

County Note Sold To Clayton Bank At Low Interest

The value and desirability of Warren county bonds was again demonstrated this week when six banking institutions and one individual placed bids which carried interest rates ranging from less than 2 per cent to 4 per cent for the \$7,000 revenue anticipation note which this county is issuing for the purpose of securing funds to construct a negro school house and a school bus garage in conjunction with federal projects.

The note was sold to the Bank of Clayton which offered to buy the paper provided the county would pay an interest rate of 1.99. Others submitted bids and the amount of interest they wanted were: Waccamaw Bank & Trust Co., 3.48; Bank of Halifax, 3.5; Citizens Bank, Warrenton, 4; First National Bank, Waynesville, 4.5; Wachovia Bank & Trust Co., 2.5; J. Willie White, Warrenton, 2.75.

The sale of the anticipation note is believed to have established a record for low interest rate among the 100 counties of the state. Several months ago this county sold \$5,000 worth of bonds, for the purpose of remodeling the jail, which carried an interest rate of 2.5 and a premium of \$3.90 to establish what was then considered the lowest rate any county in the state had secured for its paper.

Littleton Postoffice Closes For Half-Day

Littleton, Sept. 22.—The Littleton post office will continue to close on Wednesday afternoons, Postmaster Bob Patterson stated this week.

In announcing his decision to continue closing the office on Wednesday afternoons Mr. Patterson pointed out that it is the custom of most offices to close one afternoon a week, usually on Saturday, but in view of the fact more people come to town on Saturdays than on other days of the week he was setting Wednesday afternoons for the closing time of the Littleton office. "Our hours are such as to entitle us to one afternoon of holiday a week, but we desire to pick a time that will cause the least inconvenience to those whom the office serves," he said.

The post office, like the majority of stores and other businesses in towns throughout North Carolina, began closing on Wednesday afternoons several months ago to give employees a half-day holiday during the summer months. With the coming of fall, the stores adopted their customary hours of six full days a week.

MRS. GRAHAM ILL

Friends regret to learn that Mrs. John D. Graham, who at the age of 94 years is Warrenton's oldest lady, is in a critical condition at her home here. Members of the family were summoned to her bedside yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Capps were called to Rocky Mount last Tuesday on account of the death of Mrs. Capps' little nephew, Thomas Sydney Tharrington.

Mr. and Mrs. Kendred Harris and children of New York were guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Crinkley for a few days this week.

Negro Held In Jail As Result Of Fight In Sixpound

A fight between two negroes of Sixpound township on Sunday afternoon resulted with one of the men being carried to a Roanoke Rapids hospital to receive treatment for a serious injury and with the other being held in the Warren county jail.

The fight was between Genie Rodwell and Walter Ganes, and according to reports reaching here Ganes struck Rodwell against the head with a rock and fractured his skull.

Ganes, who recently completed a prison sentence for murder, surrendered to Sheriff W. J. Pinnell on Wednesday and was incarcerated in the county bastille. It is not expected he will be given a hearing until the extent of Rodwell's injuries are ascertained.

Committees To Review Quotas Is Named By Floyd

Committees made up of farmers to hear applications for review of cotton and flue-cured tobacco marketing quotas in North Carolina have been announced by E. Y. Floyd, AAA executive officer at State College.

The committees, appointed by the Secretary of Agriculture, are composed of a chairman, vice-chairman, one other member and an alternate. Each committee will serve a county.

The establishment of review committees is authorized under the marketing quota provisions of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938. It will be their duty to pass on applications for review of cotton and flue-cured tobacco marketing quotas, when properly presented, and to make correction in accordance with the Act should error be found in the quota originally established for a farm.

The review committee in Warren county is composed of W. F. Woodruff, Rt. 1, Nashville, chairman; E. Hunter Pope, Enfield, vice chairman; C. J. Matthews, Rt. 2, Nashville, member; and R. D. House, Scotland Neck, alternate.

W. E. Turner of this county is vice chairman of the committee which will serve Vance county. Associated with him in this work will be Edward G. Brewer, Rt. 2, Louisburg, chairman; Roy Duke, Rt. 2, Louisburg, member; and A. S. Bugg, Warrenton, alternate.

The date for holding the meetings has not been set, so far as could be learned here this week.

To Give Brunswick Stew At Macon

The ladies of the Macon Community Club will serve a Brunswick Stew dinner at the Macon school on Wednesday, September 28, beginning at 5:30 p. m. Mrs. Emma Thornton Nowell, president of the club, announced yesterday. The menu will consist of the stew, cooked by an expert, bread, hot coffee and pie. For those who prefer it, the club will offer a salad plate. Proceeds will be used to further the Macon cemetery improvement project.

MAN ROBBED OF TOBACCO MONEY

Pickpocket Lifts \$147 From Negro Tobacco Grower As He Is Leaving Bank

FEW CLUES ARE GIVEN

George Daniel, Enfield negro, was robbed of \$147.00 on the streets of Warrenton Wednesday morning around 11:30 o'clock by an unidentified negro who lifted the money from his watch pocket as he was leaving the bank where he had cashed his tobacco check.

Daniel told this newspaper he thought he felt some one brush against him as he was leaving the bank but he paid no attention to this until he noticed a negro who had watched him cash his check scurrying down the street. "I felt in my pocket and discovered then my money was gone, but so had the man," he said.

Daniel said that he had never seen the thief before but he would recognize him upon sight. The description he gave officers of the pickpocket gave them scant clues with which to work.

Nol Pros Ordered In Cast Against Commissioners

Learning that the jail had been reconditioned and other instructions complied with, the state took off twice to cause citizens and firemen to settle from the warmth of their beds and hurry downtown in search of a blaze.

The short circuit in the alarm box, which was recently installed along with a number of others about the town, is believed to have been caused by rain in or about the box where the switch is located.

The alarm first went off about 4 o'clock and blew steadily for about ten minutes. Approximately 20 minutes after its grating sound faded into the early morning atmosphere and citizens had returned to their beds its call went out again, but its stop this time was as sudden as its start.

The belief was expressed by an electrician yesterday that there was a mild short circuit in the box some time before there was enough "juice" to cause the siren to blow and that the mechanism of the apparatus was already hot and on the verge of burning out when a better contact occurred and the siren began to blow.

The alarm box has been repaired and another motor for the siren has already arrived here. It will probably be installed today.

Lions To Be Guests At Football Game

Displaying appreciation for the support it has received from time to time from the Warrenton Lions Club, the John Graham High School will be host to members of the civic organization this afternoon at a football game which is to be played between the locals and Nashville's team.

The invitation to attend the game, which the school has asked this newspaper to convey to members of the club, reads as follows: "To show the appreciation of the John Graham High School to the Lions Club for all the things that the club has done for the school, an invitation is hereby tendered to all members of the Lions Club to attend the Warrenton-Nashville football game, played today. There will be no charge to the Lions, so please wear some significance besides your 'growl'."

With new material on hand and a new coach who, it was stated, has already shown the boys some new tricks which materially strengthens the team, a surprising and interesting game is promised.

The probable lineup for the John Graham team, which is playing the first game of the season this afternoon, was given as follows: Left end, James Carr Moore; left tackle, Egerton Ridout; left guard, Everett Harris; center, F. T. Read, Jr.; right guard, John Long; right tackle, Ed Davis; right end, Cross; right halfback, Arthur Williams; left halfback, Dick Miles, team captain; quarterback, Mac Aycock; fullback, Harmon.

"Support the school team by attending this opening game and giving your backing whenever possible," is the request which comes from the local boys.

Wins Award



CLEMENT HUNTER WESTON, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Weston, who has been awarded the North Carolina State Scholarship to the Shenandoah Valley Academy, a military school for boys located at Winchester, Va. The award was announced recently following a meeting of the Board of Trustees of the academy.

Fire Alarm Box Shorts; Burnt Out Siren Is Result

A short circuit in the alarm box near the home of Pete Reavis was responsible for the siren being burned out Tuesday morning between 4 and 5 o'clock when the alarm went off twice to cause citizens and firemen to settle from the warmth of their beds and hurry downtown in search of a blaze.

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CRIMINAL TERM COURT CLOSES

Mistrial Order In Manslaughter Case After Jury Is Unable To Agree

OTHERS ARE ACQUITTED

The criminal docket of Warren county Superior court was brought to a close yesterday afternoon shortly after 4 o'clock when a mistrial was ordered in the manslaughter case against Ernest Alston, negro, and court adjourned until Monday morning at 10 o'clock when the civil calendar will be taken up.

The mistrial was ordered by Judge Parker after he had learned from members of the jury that they had been divided 6-6 over their verdict and they were not likely to reach an agreement in the case which had been given them several hours before.

The original bill of indictment charged Jesse Alston, Ernest Alston and Murphy Alston with murder as the result of the death of Trim Williams, who received a blow back of his head during a disturbance among the negroes at Inez on the evening of July 9, but at the outset of the case Solicitor Tyler announced that he would not ask for a verdict of first degree murder but would modify the charge to second degree murder or manslaughter, as the evidence might justify.

At the conclusion of the state's evidence the court ordered a verdict of not guilty as to Murphy Alston and at the conclusion of all the evidence a verdict of not guilty was directed as to Jesse Alston, leaving Ernest Alston the only defendant in the hands of the jury.

Ernest Alston's contention throughout the trial was that he accidentally struck Williams while attempting to preserve his own life during the fracas at Inez.

The only other murder charge on the docket at this term of court was booked against Ed Dowlin, negro, who fatally shot Ed Lewis in the abdomen with a pistol on Tuesday night, August 9. He pled guilty to a charge of manslaughter and was sentenced to Central Prison to serve a term not less than five years nor more than eight years.

While a sizeable crowd packed into the temple of justice during this term of court, there were no cases of county-wide interest tried and most of the spectators, as well as the defendants, were negroes. The only two white men tried at this term were Roy Long, for violating the provisions of a former judgment, and R. L. Ellis of South Hill for hit and run driving.

A judgment which was suspended over Roy Long in 1937 when he entered a plea of guilty to a charge of assault upon a female was ordered in effect this week when the court learned that he had violated the conditions of the suspended sentence.

Last year Long was given a two-year road sentence which was suspended by Judge Grady on the condition that he pay court costs and remain sober and of good behavior. Learning this week from Recorder's court record that Long was convicted last month on another charge of assault and sentenced to the roads for four months, Judge Parker ordered that the former judgment go into effect.

The state took a nol pros with leave in the case against Crayton Kelly, charged with larceny. Willie Green Harris failed to appear in court to face a charge of seduction and a capias was ordered issued for him. A capias was also ordered issued for Whit Perry, charged with breaking, entering and larceny.

A case of possessing whiskey for the purpose of sale, booked against Lucy Bullock, was continued due to illness of the defendant.

A true bill was not found in the case against Theodore Roosevelt Taylor who was accused of larceny.

Convicted on a charge of hit and run driving which was booked against him as a result of injuries the automobile he was operating inflicted upon Charlie Newton of north Warrenton early in May, R. L. Ellis, young man of South Hill, Va., was given a twelve months road sentence by Judge Parker in Superior court this week. The road sentence was suspended on the condition that he pay a fine of \$100.00, pay the court costs and refrain from driving an automobile for a period of three years. He was further ordered to post bond in the sum of \$100 and appear here at the September 28.