

## JURY DISAGREES IN ASSAULT CASE

### Mistrial Ordered In Case Charging West With As- saulting Jackie Scott

### FIGHT AT FAIR GROUNDS

A Recorder's court jury was unable to reach a verdict Monday in the assault charge booked against Spencer West as a result of a fight he had with Jack Scott Jr. at the Fair Grounds the early part of October, and the case was continued until the fourth Monday in December after a juror had been withdrawn and a mistrial ordered by Judge T. O. Rodwell.

The fight between the 18-year-old boy and the 40-year-old man took place on Friday night of fair week when young Scott was acting as a guard to prevent persons from entering the grounds by climbing over the fence.

According to the version of the fracas given by the prosecuting witness, Jackie Scott, he had been given a badge by his father, who is a deputy and the town's chief of police, and instructed to keep persons from climbing over the fence and also out of his potato patch, which adjoins the fair grounds. He said that he saw West attempting to come over the fence and when he started to chase him away West cursed him. Scott said that West was in his father's potato patch at that time and when he started over the fence in response to his cursing and to chase him out of the potato patch that West started fighting him and that after he—Scott—had shot his 22-caliber pistol, which he carried in a holster, three times to summon aid that West took the gun away from him, threw him down, beat him over the head until things began to turn black, and that when he was able to get up he went to the main entrance of the show, reported what had taken place to an officer, and then was carried to Warrenton where he was treated for a lacerated scalp and other wounds. He also stated that West took his gun and put it in his pocket where it could not be seen.

West's account of the scrap was this: He said that he came to Warrenton with Frederick Williams and that when Mr. Williams went to the Lions Club he went on over to the fair grounds. Reaching there and not finding many persons present due to the early hour, he said he walked around back of the fence to answer a personal call, heard some women laughing, and had started to see what was going on when young Scott accosted him, threatening to drive him away or have him arrested. West said that he did not remember what he said to Scott, but that Scott came over the fence after him and hit him side the head with his fist. He testified that he grabbed Scott, threw him down, and that when Scott started to shooting his pistol he seized his arm, took the weapon from him and started hitting Scott with it. He said he did not know how many times he struck Scott with the butt of the gun, but that Scott got up and ran towards the main entrance of the fair. He said he picked up Scott's coat, which had been pulled off him in the scuffle, threw it over the arm with which he carried the gun and walked on around to the main gate of the fair.

Continuing his testimony, West said that he was arrested, brought to Warrenton and lodged in the town lock-up, that in spite of his request for bail no effort was made to secure it for him until 3 o'clock in the morning, and that Chief Scott came to the cell, threatened to fill him with lead if his boy was

### DAUGHTER BORN

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Choplin of Elberton announce the birth of a daughter, Bonnie Rose, on Wednesday, Nov. 30. Mrs. Choplin was formerly Miss Nancy Carroll of Warrenton.

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Born to Mr. and Mrs. Howard Browning on November 13, a daughter, Jean Perry. Mrs. Browning was formerly Miss Mamie Shearin of Arcola.

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Mr. and Mrs. Earlie Maynard of near Warrenton announce the birth of a daughter on November 26th. Mrs. Maynard was formerly Miss Hunt from the Afton-Elberton section.

## California, Here I Come



Bob Baskerville—Guard

son of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Baskerville of Warrenton, who is a member of the Duke football team which has been invited to the Rose Bowl following its victory over Pitt last Saturday.

## Seek To Enlarge Drainage District In Two Counties

Last winter the first steps were taken by land-owners in Halifax and Warren Counties to have a Soil Conservation District established for the purpose of setting up an organization of farmers for the control of soil erosion and for their conservation work. The State Soil Conservation Committee, after conferring with representative farmers of the counties decided on these portions drained by Little Fishing Creek and its tributaries. The included area is the western portion of Halifax county and the eastern portion of Warren county, and the name Fishing Creek was derived from the fact that the area was drained by the above named stream and its tributaries.

A referendum was conducted to determine whether farmers wished to establish a district. At this election the land-owners voted almost unanimously in favor of such establishment. A charter was issued by the Secretary of State early in the spring; five supervisors were selected to operate the district, and the United States Department of Agriculture established the district office at Littleton, where six technicians are now working.

## Boy Scouts To Hold Camporee At Range

Around 30 Boy Scouts are expected to meet at the rifle range, which is approximately a mile and a half south of Warrenton, this afternoon where they will hold a camporee tonight and tomorrow.

Original plans to camp out overnight have been abandoned due to the wetness of the ground, and instead of the boys spending the night around a campfire they will cook supper there and return to Warrenton tonight to sleep in the armory. They will return to the rifle range early Saturday where they will spend all or a part of the day.

The boys will be in charge of P. W. Cooper and C. M. Calhoun, Scout executives of the Oconeechee council.

Next Wednesday night at 8 o'clock the general county meeting will be held in the Littleton Lions Club rooms at which time officers will be elected for the year and a Court of Honor will be held.

## HOME NEARING COMPLETION

The house which is being constructed by H. P. Reid near the home of Dr. and Mrs. C. H. Peete is nearing completion and will be ready for occupancy by Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Pipkin and Miss Helen Pipkin within a short period of time. The old Arrington home, which has been occupied by the Pipkin family, has been purchased by Edward Davis of Inez and will be occupied by Mr. Davis and family as soon as it becomes vacant.

## Warrenton Ends Successful Season Defeating Norlina

By R. E. BRICKHOUSE, JR.  
Publicity Director

After three years of tied games between Warrenton and Norlina, Warrenton beat Norlina last Wednesday, Nov. 23, 13-6. The first half of the game saw no scoring for either team. Warrenton led in first downs at half time 5-2.

John Graham's gridders started the fireworks about midway the third quarter when Mac Aycock went over the goal line for the first score of the game. Captain Dick Miles passed to James C. Moore for the extra point. A few minutes later, K. Phillips of Norlina caught a sleeping end pass and made Norlina's only score. The game continued with no more scoring until two minutes were left in which to play. Mac Aycock scored Warrenton's second touchdown from the one yard line. Captain Miles' placement kick for the extra point was blocked. The final score was 13-6 in favor of John Graham High School.

The local football team closed a very successful season by defeating Norlina. The team had a rather discouraging start when they lost their first two games by narrow margins. From then until the end of the season they scored in every game.

## Hand Saw Music To Feature Lions Meet

Tom Barritt of Atlanta, Ga., will entertain members of the Warrenton Lions Club at their regular meeting tonight at Hotel Warren with a musical program consisting of vocal and instrumental music. The instrument he will use will be a hand saw.

Mr. Barritt, it was stated, has played over many radio stations in this country and in England, and has performed before numerous civic clubs and conventions.

The hand saw artist, who is a representative of E. C. Atkins & Co., is in Warrenton to give a demonstration at one of the local hardware stores Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

## EPISCOPAL SERVICES

There will be a sermon and Holy Communion at the Episcopal Church in Warrenton on Sunday morning at 11 o'clock, and in the afternoon at 3:30 o'clock evening prayer will be held at St. Alban's Church in Littleton, the Rev. B. N. de Poe Wagner announced this week. He added that Study class would be held in the Parish room Friday afternoon at 4 o'clock. All are invited to attend.

## BREAKS ARM

Miss Nellie Sue Hull is recovering from a broken arm which she sustained Thursday of last week while riding on her bicycle.

## WARRENTON BOY TO GO ROSE BOWL

### Duke Accepts Bid To Play Post Season Game In Southern California

### BASKERVILL IS GUARD

For the first time in the history of football, Warrenton has a representative on the football team of Duke University which was invited to the Rose Bowl at Pasadena, Calif., this week following its 7-0 victory over Pitt in Duke Stadium Saturday before a record-breaking crowd of 52,000 gridiron fans.

He is Robert Baskerville, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Baskerville. Bob, or "Blackie," as he is known to his teammates, has played in a number of games this year and was right in there with the boys when they upset the dope bucket by defeating the strong Pittsburg team and eliminating any hopes that the Panthers had entertained of receiving the coveted invitation to play in the Rose Bowl.

Not only has Baskerville, who plays as a guard, assisted his teammates in preventing their goal line from being crossed during the entire football season, but he also contributed towards the only score which was made in the Duke-Pitt gridiron classic. He recovered a Pitt fumble in Pitt territory a few moments before Tipton kicked to a few feet of the goal line and Purdue blocked a kick and fell on the ball back of the Pitt goal post.

Although Wallace Wade, Duke's coach, has carried three teams to the Rose Bowl—"the promised land" of all football hopefuls—this is the first time that a North Carolina team has been invited to play in the national gridiron championship. The Blue Devils will compete against Southern California, which, incidentally, is coached by a former Duke coach, Howard Jones, who has also carried three teams to the Rose Bowl and won each time.

## FOOTBALL BECOMES OF MUCH INTEREST HERE

Football has been the chief topic of conversation in many circles for the past week.

It became foremost in the minds of students of the John Graham High School ten days ago when they staged a parade and pep meeting on the eve of the annual clash with their arch enemy, the Norlina High School, and caused them to bubble over with pride and enthusiasm Wednesday afternoon when they brought their season to a close by defeating their opponents on the Norlina gridiron before a large number of fans.

The following day was Thanksgiving day when some traveled to Charlottesville to witness the clash between the University of North Carolina and the University of Virginia or to Raleigh to see State College and Carnegie Tech play, while many others remained at home and tuned in on these games or other contests which were taking place throughout the country.

But all this was hardly more than a prelude to the Game of games which took place in Duke stadium before a record-breaking crowd of 52,000 fans who sat through heavy falling snow to see the Blue Devils defeat the Pittsburg team, which was regarded as being one of the strongest in the country.

Following Duke's victory over Pitt came the invitation from Southern California to play in the Rose Bowl and this has brought on talk of a special train for the national classic with reduced rates which might enable the man on the street to attend the match.

Yes, it has been football, and more football, and the subject will continue to pop up wherever crowds congregate until after January 2 when Southern California and Duke's Blue Devils meet at Pasadena.

## TO HOLD BAZAAR AT MACON

On Friday evening, December 9, a bazaar will be held and dinner served in the social hall of the Macon Methodist church. The Capella choir from Louisburg college will give a program at this time. Dinner will be served from 5 to 8. The public is urged to come and enjoy the various treats in store.

## SON BORN

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Rudd of Warrenton announce the birth of a son, Randolph Floyd, on November 15th. Mrs. Rudd was formerly Miss Virgie Young of Macon.

## Death Takes Secretary



HOWARD F. JONES, educator, legislator, editor, engineer and congressional secretary, who died at his home here last Friday after an illness of two months.

## HOWARD JONES BURIED SUNDAY

### Newspaperman and Congressional Secretary Dies After Long Illness Here

### BOUGHT PAPER IN 1903

Funeral services for Howard Feld Jones, who died at his home here last Friday afternoon at 5:30 o'clock following a critical illness of two months, were conducted from the residence on Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock by the Rev. J. O. Long pastor of the Methodist Church, of which he was a member, and the Rev. B. N. de Poe Wagner, rector of Emmanuel Episcopal Church. Interment was in Fairview cemetery.

Mr. Jones, who for fifteen years was private secretary to Congressman John H. Kerr, became dangerously ill on the morning of October 4 when his heart began to weaken to the strain which was placed upon it by incessant coughing which developed two days previously when he was seized by bronchitis. Since then his life had been suspended by a small thread which gradually weakened until he was snatched by death last Friday afternoon. He was 72 years of age.

The son of Joseph Speed Jones and Mary Fort Jones, he was the last of a family of fourteen children born at the old plantation near Jones' Springs where he spent his childhood and young manhood days. After being tutored by his mother, who maintained a large boarding school for girls, he went to Baltimore, Md., where he studied electrical engineering.

From Baltimore Mr. Jones went to the plantation of his brother-in-law, the late Dr. William Mercer, in Edgecombe county, and it was while living with him that he became interested in the telephone business and one of the pioneers in this field.

He constructed for Dr. Mercer a telephone line from his home at Elm City to Rocky Mount, a distance of fifteen miles, and after completing this job he and Dr. Mercer and several other persons subscribed stock and formed the original Wilson telephone system which was installed by Mr. Jones. He remained as superintendent of this company until he sold his stock to George Holderness and the company was consolidated with the Tarboro Telephone System.

While in Wilson Mr. Jones married a Wilson girl, Miss Estelle Brodie, in 1897. They made their home there while Mr. Jones was in the telephone business, moving from Wilson to Whitakers, the birthplace of his bride, where they remained for a year before returning to his birthplace where Mr. Jones became engaged in farming and the sawmill business.

Mr. Jones and his family moved from the country to Warrenton in 1908, which was the same year that he purchased The Warren Record from J. C. Hardy. Two years later he was elected superintendent of the Warrenton county school system, a position he held for approximately ten years. During the years that he was superintendent of schools he continued to contribute to his newspaper, but gradually the duties of getting out the paper fell more and more into the hands of his eldest son, the late W. Brodie Jones, who succeeded him as editor and manager.

Mr. Jones was twice in the State General Assembly. He went there first at the age of 21 as a clerk to the Senate, and again in 1923 when he was chosen to represent Warren and Vance counties in the Upper House.

He had completed his first term as Senator when Judge John H. Kerr was elected to the National House of Representatives as a successor to the late Congressman Claude Kitchin and appointed Mr. Jones as his private secretary. He served in this capacity until his death, although two years ago Congressman Kerr secured additional help in his Washington office and allowed Mr. Jones to remain here and keep an office open for the purpose of answering mail and receiving constituents. Prior to that time he and Mrs. Jones remained in Washington while Congress was in session, returning to their home here each summer.

Although Mr. Jones had been handicapped by vertigo for a number of years, he remained fairly active and able to attend to his secretarial duties until he was gripped by

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## Jury Says Evans Not Guilty Crop Removing Charge

A lengthy session of Recorder's court was held on Monday when juries were called on to render service in several of the approximate half dozen cases which were disposed of during the day by Judge T. O. Rodwell and Solicitor Joseph P. Pippen.

Testimony given by Harry Williams before a jury failed to result in a verdict of guilty in the charge of disposing of mortgaged property booked against D. C. Evans, who was a tenant on Mr. Williams' farm at Inez during the past crop year. Mr. Williams contended that his tenant had not paid him out and that he was taking cotton and tobacco off and disposing of it against his orders and as a result of this he had had him arrested.

The defendant, through his counsel, showed that Mr. Williams had received government checks which were made payable to the tenant, had not given him all the credit that he should have received, had him charged too much for a mule, took out claim and delivery papers while the defendant was being held in jail, and contended that instead of Evans owing Mr. Williams money that Mr. Williams owed Evans a balance. Not guilty was the verdict returned by the jury after deliberating for only a brief period.

Displaying a good-humored grin as if he was pleased about the whole thing, John Orr, who is alleged to

## Hobby Show To Be Held At Hotel

A Hobby and Relic show will be held at Hotel Warren on Friday and Saturday of this week under the auspices of the Betta Club of the John Graham High School. The show opens to the public on Friday morning at 9 o'clock and will last until 11 o'clock Friday night. Similar hours will be observed on Saturday.

Among the interesting hobbies and relics which have been arranged for display are dolls, guns, stamps, needlework, bottles and other glassware. A small admission charge will be made.

## U. D. C. TO MEET

Members of the United Daughters of the Confederacy are called to meet in the home of Mrs. J. E. Rooker this afternoon at 3:30 o'clock.

## Y. W. A. TO MEET

The Baptist Y. W. A. will meet on Monday evening at 8 o'clock in the home of Mrs. C. C. Britton. A full attendance is urged.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Lewis Pinnett and little daughter, Myrna Joe, of Newport News, Va., spent the week end near Warrenton with relatives.

## Wallace Asks Tar Heli Approval Of Control Plan

Raleigh, Dec. 1.—Secretary of Agriculture Henry A. Wallace, speaking before eastern North Carolina cotton and tobacco growers in Memorial Auditorium here today, credited federal agricultural measures with restoring to United States farmers a purchasing power equal to pre-depression levels.

He spoke on behalf of continued crop control, to be decided in referendum December 10. He warned that in any event there would be control of production and marketing.

"There is going to be control," he asserted. "The real question is whether the control will be by means of low prices as in 1930 and 1931, or farmer control through some such program as you are now voting on."

"Effective as the low price control of 1930 and 1931 might have been," he continued, "it was a disorderly and costly kind of control. It starved out the farmers and threatened our economic system."

## Turner To Preach At Baptist Church

By REV. R. E. BRICKHOUSE  
Dr. J. Clyde Turner, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Greensboro, has accepted an invitation to be the guest preacher of the Warrenton Baptist Church in a series of services planned for January 23-29, 1939.

The Warrenton church is fortunate indeed in procuring the services of Dr. Turner. He is one of the outstanding ministers of our state and nation. His long pastorate in the city of Greensboro has been superbly successful. In addition to his ministry in that city he has rendered fine services in many ways to the Baptist denomination far and wide. During a period of three years he was president of the North Carolina Baptist Convention and has taken deep interest in the program and work of the Southern Baptist Convention. He was one of the speakers at the Baptist World Alliance in Toronto, Canada, in 1928. He is in demand as a platform speaker in conventions of varied types. It will be an unusual privilege and opportunity for the people of Warrenton and vicinity to hear this great gospel preacher and Christian leader.

## BAPTIST SERVICES

Preaching services will be held at the Warrenton Baptist Church on Sunday morning at 11 o'clock and Sunday evening at 7:30 o'clock, the Rev. R. E. Brickhouse, pastor, stated this week. He also called attention to the fact preaching services will be held in the Warren Plains Baptist Church Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock.