

WITH GOOD LUCK

Gym To Be Ready For Use For January 22 Home Game

With good luck John Graham High School may play its first game of basketball in the new gymnasium on Friday night, January 22, one week later than was anticipated last Friday.

The completion of the gym has been held up for several weeks due to failure of flooring to arrive. The flooring arrived on Tuesday afternoon and carpenters were busy laying it on Wednesday with a view of its completion by tonight (Friday). Sanding and painting of the courts is expected by the middle of next week, allowing two days leeway before next Friday night.

However, with the announcement by the flooring foreman that the floor would be ready by the end of next week, came a telephone message to Supt. Peeler from Owen Smith, architect, that the factory with which the order for backboards has been placed, has been destroyed by fire and the backboards burned. He said that he had been promised a new delivery on January 18. If the backboards arrive the gym

should be ready for John Graham's first home game on January 22.

The burning of the backboards is just another mishap in a series that has seemed to jinx the building of the physical education building at Warrenton.

The first hold up of the gym was over the acquisition of land. There was considerable delay in the drawing of plans by the architect. First bids were too high, causing further delay in redrawing of plans and renegotiation of contracts.

Shortly after work was started on the construction, the contractor was plagued by rainy weather, and the bulging of a foundation wall, causing its rebuilding. Flooring shipped from Michigan in a pool car on December 2, went astray and was finally located in South Carolina. Several days later it had reached Concord and was expected to arrive at Warrenton the latter part of last week, but it failed to do so. Monday it was learned that the car had left Concord on Saturday, instead of Tuesday, and that

it had been consigned to Henderson. It arrived at Henderson late Tuesday morning and was brought to Warrenton.

The first order for the backboards was placed sometime ago, but the man who took the order died, and the order had to be replaced. Then the factory with which the order had been placed burned.

In the light of these mishaps local school officials have their fingers crossed, but with good luck, the gym may be completed by January 22, ending successfully ten years effort to obtain a physical education building for John Graham High School.

One bright spot in the picture is that Coach Fate King of John Graham scheduled the first half of the season's games away from home. Three more of the first half conference games remain to be scheduled away from home—at Enfield, Aurelian Springs and Norlina. One home game will probably have to be played at the Armory. With good luck the remaining games will be played for the first time in a gymnasium of John Graham's own.

VEPCO To Have Survey Office At Hotel Warren

A survey office for Virginia Electric and Power Company is expected to be set up in Hotel Warren at Warrenton as soon as contractual arrangements are completed.

Reportedly this office will be shared with Stone and Webster Company, the firm which built the Roanoke Rapids Dam. This dual arrangement may be limited to the survey phase of the Gaston project since all surveys to this time have been done by Stone and Webster.

The construction contract and the firm who will be selected to build the dam, have not been settled at this date, according to informed sources.

Claude Bowers, president of the corporation now operating the town-owned hotel, said that while no contract has been signed with the two companies, an agreement has been reached and the companies have agreed to take the space. He said that a floor plan had been sent to the power company and the hotel had agreed to make changes requested.

Bowers said that it was his understanding that the power company would not wait for a permit to build the dam and that preliminary work would start almost immediately. The company, he said, is taking a calculated risk.

Board To Discuss 1960 Revaluation Plan With Institute Of Government

The county has the power to impose a privilege tax on the sale of unfortified wines, wines with less than 14 per cent alcohol, but no power to issue a privilege tax on wines with an alcohol percentage of from 14 to 20 per cent, the board members voiced the view that in the event that the county could not tax fortified wines, that their sales should be confined to the ABC Stores.

A search of the law books by the county attorney revealed that the county had neither the power to require a privilege tax for the sale of fortified wine or to restrict its sales to ABC stores. County Attorney Jim Limer said that in his opinion only a special act of the Legislature would permit Warren County to restrict sales to its ABC stores.

In the discussion it was brought out that much of the fortified wine contained 20 per cent alcohol by volume. The alcohol content of bonded whiskeys ranges from 40 to 50 per cent of alcohol by volume. This means, one of the commissioners said, that a glass of 20 per cent wine is just about as strong as a half glass of whiskey.

Approval was given for the issuance of a beer license and a wine license to the Norlina Supermarket.

The State Highway Commission was requested to add to the county road system that road running from the Warren Plains-Oakville road to Calvin Harris' home, a distance of about a mile and known as the "J. H. Harris Road."

On motion of Commissioner Thorne, seconded by Commissioner Ellington, it was ordered that Sheriff Jim Hundley be allowed expenses not to exceed \$35 for attending a meeting of sheriffs in Chapel Hill.

S. E. Allen, Register of Deeds, reported 45 marriage licenses issued for the fourth quarter of 1959 for which \$225 was turned into the General Fund.

A. P. Rodwell, Jr., tax collector, reported taxes collected to date in the amount of \$208,827.15 of this amount \$53,841.97 was collected in December.

Monday's meeting was a quiet one, with the drawing of a jury, the appearance of the extension agents before the board to give their reports, and the receiving, reading and filing of monthly reports from the other agencies. These with the discussion of the wine matter and revaluation, with a few other routine matters completed the board's activities for the day.

Adjournment came around 3:30. The early adjournment was taken in order that several of the commissioners might attend a funeral at Arcola.

James Robinson, Wilson Fleming, W. C. Fishel, Charles L. Basket (col.), Mrs. James P. Beckwith, William J. Hawks, W. T. Burton, Henry L. James, Mrs. B. A. Thaxton, W. Leon Knight, William H. Faulkner, Mrs. Anna Fuller, Gene Hudgins, Jack Newsem, Harry M. Williams, Jr., Zeb V. Sutton (col.), Mrs. Melvin Shearin.

G. H. O'Neal, James Harold Robertson, F. E. Bobbitt, Miss Eula Allen, Mrs. R. L. Harmon, E. G. Hecht, Jr., J. H. Duke, Vance Robertson, C. B. King, Jim M. Stewart, Z. V. St. Sing, H. J. Hithcock, Eugene B. Mitchell (col.), Mrs. R. C. Mitchell, Mrs. Margie O. Burrows, W. B. Bobbitt, Sr., Hubert L. Bobbitt, Vernon E. Myrick, Mark S. Harris, George W. Edwards, Emily Ballinger, John T. Allen, E. P. Pitts, G. — King, Randolph Morris, James T. Evans.

Winners Named In Yule Decorations

The Town 'N' Country Garden Club annual prize winners for the best Christmas decorations were announced by a club officer here on Wednesday.

Winner of the club's prize for the best outdoor decoration was awarded to Mrs. Elvora Adams on Franklin Street. Winning honorable mention were Mrs. O. E. Ellis, Country Club Road, and Mrs. Carrie Webb, Hayleys Drive.

Winner of the club prize for the prettiest indoor decoration was seen from the outside was Mrs. Mable Mars, Snow Hill Road. Winning honorable mention were Mrs. Christine Arrington, Macon Road, and Mrs. Clifton Jones, Bute Street.

Advt. Finds Pigs

"Your advt. found my pigs," A. J. Wortham of Warrenton said on Monday as he was passing a representative of the newspaper.

Wortham was referring to a small classified ad he placed in the paper last week stating that a shoat and small pig had strayed from his home about two weeks previously.

Special Courses

Courses in education and library science extension from East Carolina College, Greenville, will be held at John Graham High School with the first meeting to be held on January 12, at 6:30 p. m. Miss Emma Lewis Whitaker, county school librarian, said yesterday. She said that instructors would be from the college.

Routine Meeting

Only matters of a routine nature were before the board of town commissioners of Norlina in an hour and a half regular meeting on Monday night.

McKinnon To Preside Over Term Of Court

Judge Henry A. McKinnon, Jr., of Lumberton will preside over the January criminal term of Superior Court which opens here on Monday morning. It will be the first time that the Fayetteville jurist has held court in Warren County.

Judge McKinnon will preside over a court term whose docket is unusually heavy, although there are few cases of county-wide interest. Many of the cases to be heard will be on appeals from the county Recorder's Court.

No capital cases have been docketed for next week's term of court, and while there are the usual run of assaults, assaults with deadly weapons, automobile driving violations, and thievery in one form or another, whiskey cases will occupy much of the court's time.

Cases for trial next week have been docketed as follows: Monday — State vs. Frank Johnson, illegal possession of whiskey for purpose of sale; Paul Howard Palmer, driving after license revoked; Richard Rivers, allowing intoxicated person to operate motor vehicle; Richard Rivers, possession of non-tax paid whiskey, assault with deadly weapon to kill; Nathan Ward, larceny; Riley Lee Ellis, false pretense; Enoch Green, two counts of possession and transportation of non-tax-paid whiskey; Howard Hawkins, trespassing.

Wilson Hedgepeth, assault with deadly weapon with intent to kill, assault with deadly weapon; Dorothy Delores Harris, assault with deadly weapon; Willie Frank Roberts, assault with deadly weapon; Willie Childers, escape from prison camp; Lewis Alston, escape from road gang; Asa Hendricks, breaking, entering, larceny.

Tuesday—State vs. Covington Caswell, attempt to break and enter; Len Branch, larceny; David Bender, reckless driving, trespassing; Thomas Hargrove, two counts breaking, entering, larceny; Robert Hamm, breaking, entering, larceny, two counts forgery, breaking, entering, larceny.

Wednesday—State vs. Ivey Alston, assault with a deadly weapon, engaging in an affray and assault; Eddie Hill, assault with a deadly weapon; assault with a deadly weapon with intent to kill; Robert M. White, Jr., drunk driving; Luther Boone, non-support.

Thursday—State vs. McKinley Wilkes, possession on-tax paid whiskey; James T. Evans, non-support; James H. Burton, speeding; Sirwarner Lee Powell, drunk driving, restricted operators license.

Jurors summoned to serve at next week's term of court are Mrs. C. A. Jones, John L. Lynch, H. B. Blackwell, Boyd Fleming, Glenn St. Sing, R. C. Comer, Jr., A. A. Williams, W. R. Taylor, E. H. Pinnell,

Jurors for the February term of Superior Court were drawn by the county commissioners on Monday as follows: Claude Vaughan, Paul Shearin, G. C. Robinson, George L. Rudd, Fred W. Bowers, W. Glenn Coleman, Howell Steed, Eugene Richardson (col.), Earl Maynard, Jr., J. J. Kearney, Jr., Frank Twitty, Mrs. Nat Green Perkinson, Horce S. Shearin, G. W. Poindexter, J. W. Harris, Horace B. Newsom, Jerome Williams (col.), E. C. Reid, Jr., H. M. Hardy, Gid O. Tharrington, A. C. Walker, J. B. Hagg, William Ernest Bolton, J. Robert King.

Mrs. G. W. King, E. R. Sadler, Joseph C. Faulkner (col.), Manson Green (col.), Mrs. Gertrude Conn, C. C. Alston, Buck Perry (col.), I. A. Bolton, W. E. Harmon, R. G. Moseley, C. W. Wells, J. P. Twitty, F. W. Reams, Eugene R. Davis, A. S. Bugg, W. L. Harris, Jr., Mrs. John A. Dore, Mrs. C. T. Perkinson, N. Brown, J. W. Atkins, Jr., Mrs. Alice Southerland, Mrs. Katie R. Creech, W. G. Coleman.

Ellington Gives Dinner For Friends At Court House

County Commissioner A. J. Ellington and Mrs. Ellington entertained officials of the courthouse, extension workers and other guests at a turkey and pork dinner at Hotel Warren on Monday at noon.

In welcoming the guest, Commissioner Ellington said that he and Mrs. Ellington were entertaining the officials of the courthouse and extension service in appreciation of the many courtesies extended to him during his year's service on the board of county commissioners and as an expression of gratitude for their friendship.

At the conclusion of the meal, County Attorney Jim Limer expressed their appreciation to Mr. and Mrs. Ellington for their hospitality and thanked Mr. Ellington for his words of friendship.

The invocation was given by the Rev. Troy Barrett, pastor of Wesley Memorial Methodist Church, who with Bignall Jones, editor of The Warren Record, were special guests for the occasion.

Others present were J. R. Peeler, Mrs. R. M. Davis and Mrs. Joe N. Ellis of the office of the superintendent of schools; Mrs. Lois Connell, veterans service officer; J. E. Banzet, Judge of Recorder's Court; Charles White, III, Solicitor of the Recorder's Court; Mrs. James Polk of the Farm Insurance office; F. W. Reams, L. B. Hardage and Mrs. Edith Hilliard of the Farm Agents office; Miss Emily Ballinger (See FARRAR, page 10)

Two Prisoners Escape From Prison Camp Truck

Police are still searching for two Negro convicts who jumped from a prison camp truck on Tuesday afternoon at 4:30 some four miles northeast of Embro, and who are believed to have stolen a prison dump truck from the camp on Tuesday night.

Perry Hilliard, Warren County prison superintendent, said yesterday afternoon that Arthur Robinson of Gumberry and Garland Taylor of Raleigh, formerly of Weldon, are still at large with no reports from them since their escape. Hilliard said that snow and

rain hindered the tracking by bloodhounds from the local prison camp.

Robinson was sentenced in Northampton, Warren, Person and Halifax counties and was serving a total of eight years-four months to ten years on charge of kidnapping, breaking and entering, escaping, assault and assault with a deadly weapon. He began his term on April 8, 1955.

Taylor, serving a 12 year sentence on three counts of forgery and larceny, began his term on November 27, 1950.

Japanese Student Is Speaker At Rotary Meeting

Masako Yamada, student at Louisburg College from Japan, was guest speaker at the regular Tuesday night meeting of the Warrenton Rotary Club at Hotel Warren.

She was presented by Roland Horne, public relationist at Louisburg College. The program was in charge of Selby Benton.

Miss Yamada, a native of Korea, attended school at Hiroshima and is at Louisburg College majoring in English in preparation for teaching English in her native country.

The speaker told of her experiences as a child in North Korea and her flight to Japan with her family, of conditions in her new home and of her determination to become a teacher. She came to Louisburg College because her teacher in the Japanese College was a former teacher at Louisburg College.

Money for her trip to the American College was raised by neighbors and friends in Hiroshima, she said.

The speaker was gowned in Japanese costume and explained to the Rotarians the significance of the garb which is no longer worn in Japan except on special occasions.

Miss Yamada, who has been in America for only six months, used excellent English and her talk was extremely interesting, Benton said.

Bud Gaston, vice president, presided over the meeting in the absence of President Roy Dixon.

De Gaulle's Visit Starts April 22

WASHINGTON — French President Charles de Gaulle will come to America April 22 for a weekend of talks with President Eisenhower and probably a trip to the West Coast.

The French President will be arriving fresh from talks with Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev in Paris. After de Gaulle returns to Paris Eisenhower and British Prime Minister Harold Macmillan will meet with him there for the East-West Summit conference starting May 16.

Jones Leaves

Howard Jones, III, a member of the staff of The Warren Record for the past two and a half years, will leave on Sunday for Fort Jackson, S. C., where he will take eight weeks basic training.

Following this training, he will go to New York for special schooling in public information as a part of his National Guard training.

Concern For Older Citizens Is Felt By Farrar

A real concern was expressed this week that there might be some older persons in the county who are needlessly being deprived of adequate funds for food, clothing, and other needs through no fault of their own.

This concern was expressed by Julian Farrar, County Welfare Superintendent, in pointing to a sizable surplus that is appearing in the county Old Age Assistance Fund.

Farrar said this surplus will continue partly as a result of recent action by the State Welfare Board in decreasing the size of Old Age Assistance grants statewide because of the lack of State money. The County part of the Old Age Assistance Fund is set when the county budget is approved each year and even though the county may have adequate funds, the local office is obligated to reduce all its Old Age Assistance grants effective January 1960 as a result of the action of the State Department.

Farrar said also that some of the surplus is available as the case load has consistently decreased during the past five years from deaths and other reasons. Consequently, funds are available for new grants even though present grants cannot be increased across the board.

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Church Group To Hold Meeting

The Warren Subdistrict of Methodist Churches will have a Christian Workers' School at Wesley Memorial Methodist Church, Sunday-Thursday, January 10-14, 7:30-9:30 p. m. Scott Gardner, Dean, said yesterday.

Gardner said there will be courses for every member of the church and church school. The Rev. Wesley Brogan, Conference Director of Children's Work, Durham, will teach the course, "Teaching Children," for parents & Teacher. The Rev. James Auman, minister, Hertford, will guide the course, "Guiding Youth," for parents, teachers and counselors of youth. John Meares, Raleigh, will lead the course, "Helping Adults Learn," for all other adults in the church and church school.

Charges and ministers include: Bethlehem-Shady Grove, the Rev. Merle Ampsacher; Macon Charge, the Rev. Leon Ross; Norlina Charge, the Rev. Charlie Vale; Warren Charge, the Rev. Bill Becker; Wesley Memorial, Warrenton, the Rev. Troy J. Barrett.

Littleton Girl Winner In Room Improvement Contest

A Littleton 4-H Club member has won first place in the room improvement contest sponsored by local merchants in cooperation with 4-H Club leaders.

Mrs. Sue D. Skinner, assistant home agent, said yesterday that rooms which were entered into the 4-H Room Improvement Contest were judged on Thursday of last week and that Glenda Myrick of the Littleton Junior 4-H Club won first prize, a dress given by Leggett's, one of the sponsors of the contest.

Second prize, a gallon of paint from Allen, Son & Co., local building supply dealer, was won by Virginia Robertson, a member of the John Graham Senior 4-H Club.

Mrs. Skinner said that the idea for the contest was originated last spring when Leggett's and Allen, Son & Co., agreed to sponsor the contest and give prizes to the winners.

In addition each of the stores agreed to give a 10 per cent discount on all items purchased from them for room improvement.

Following the entering of a number of 4-H members in the contest, Mrs. Skinner said that the rooms were inspected and photographed. Last week they were again inspected and judged by Mrs. J. Boyd Davis, former home agent and assistant state 4-H leader.

"The results in some of the homes were simply amazing," Mrs. Skinner said yesterday in expressing her pleasure over the success of the contest.

Mrs. Skinner said that Glenda added a new closet in her room, made a shoe bag for her old closet, painted her walls, woodwork and floor, made cafe curtains, bedspread, dust ruffle and improved her lighting. Glenda also rearranged furniture in her room, added (See WINNER, page 10)

Farmers Asked To File Applications For ACP Aid Before January 15

The initial period for filing requests under the 1960 Agricultural Conservation Program in Warren County is from January 15 through January 30, Walter S. Smiley, ASC chairman, announced yesterday.

The form on which the request for cost-sharing must be made may be obtained at the ASC county office in Warrenton.

Smiley said that the 1960 program, like the previous programs, is a flexible one that can be tailored to the conservation needs of every farm in Warren County. This flexible program, he said, was made possible through the cooperative efforts of the Soil Conser-

vation Service, the Forestry Service, and the Extension Service, working in cooperation with the ASC State and county committees.

According to Smiley although the ASC committees do operate the ACP at the State and county levels the success of the program depends upon the cooperation of all these agricultural agencies at the State and county levels.

Flexibility in the program, Smiley brought out, is achieved through 14 approved conservation practices that are contained in the county program, as well as authority for the approval of specific conservation (See FARMERS, page 10)

VFW Post Will Lend Crutches And Wheelchairs

Any person or persons needing the temporary loan of crutches or wheelchair are asked to contact B. W. King, quartermaster of the Norlina Post of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, at Wise.

Leon Knight, Commander of the Post, said that the Post would be glad to lend crutches and or wheelchairs on a temporary basis where needed. He also asks that any persons having wheelchairs and crutches which they have neglected to return to the VFW Post to do so at once.

The temporary lending of crutches and wheelchairs is a project of the Norlina VFW Post, Knight said. For the project to be effective, he added, they must be promptly returned to the Post as soon as other crutches and wheelchairs can be obtained by borrowers.

Revenue Man Has Henderson Office

An effort has been made by field personnel of the North Carolina Department of Revenue to contact every employer in the state concerning North Carolina's new income tax withholding plan which went into effect January 1, according to a release issued by James S. Currie, Commissioner.

Currie asks that any employer who has not been registered and assigned an identification number to contact the office of J. L. Hinton, representative of the Revenue Department, at the Court House in Henderson. His office telephone is PE-8-5216.

Changes Made In Local Businesses

The Radio TV Center has moved from its quarters in the Gardner building on Franklin street to the building formerly occupied by Rogers Department Store on Main Street.

The store vacated by the Radio TV Center will be used by the Warrenton Furniture Exchange to house its appliance business.

Scott Gardner, manager of the store, said yesterday that an arch would be built to connect the store with the present store of the Warrenton Furniture Store and that the store's appliance business would be departmentalized.