

May Be Filmed Here Price's Book To Be Made Movie

Reynold Price's "Long and Happy Life" will be made into a movie with part of the filming likely to be made in Warren County, according to an article in Sunday's The Durham Herald, which reads as follows:

Motion picture rights to "A Long and Happy Life," highly praised first novel by Duke University faculty member Reynold Price, have been purchased by Fred Coe, television, stage and screen producer and director.

Coe, who took an option on the book at an unclosed sum, plans to start filming the novel early next year. He wants to produce the book as a "major offering and at least partly on location." The novel's setting is in Warren County which would mean that part of the movie will likely be filmed there.

"A Long and Happy Life," released last month by the Atheneum Publishing Co. of New York amid accolades from critics throughout the country, is the story of a young North Carolina farm girl, who is deeply in love with an elusive adventurer, and, and her dream of their "long and happy life" together.

The novel received rave reviews in Time magazine and Saturday Review, one of the nation's leading literary magazines, and was published in full in a special supplement of Harper's magazine.

Price, who is the author of numerous short stories, won third prize in the 1960 national O. Henry competition for his story, "One Sunday in Late July," which is a part of his first novel.

A native of Macon, Price is currently at Merton College in Oxford, England. He plans to spend the summer in Crete and will return to North Carolina at the end of the summer.

The author, a graduate of Duke in 1955, is an assistant professor of English at Duke. He joined the faculty in 1958, following study at Oxford as a Rhodes Scholar.



FIRST — Warrenton Chief of Police Robert D. Chewning sits at the wheel of his car Easter Monday on the south edge of the new bridge over the Roanoke River near Eaton's Ferry after having driven across the new bridge and back. Chewning was the first person, not connected with the construction crew, to drive a car across the bridge. (Staff Photo)

Chief Chewning Is First To Drive Over Roanoke Bridge

Robert D. Chewning, Chief of Warrenton's Police Force, drove his car across the new bridge over the Roanoke River near Eaton's Ferry on Easter Monday afternoon. He was followed across the bridge and back by a car driven by J. H. Hundley.

Chewning is believed to be the first person not connected with the construction crews to drive across the new bridge, with second honors going to Sheriff Hundley. Riding with Chewning was Bignall Jones, editor of The Warren Record, present to make a picture of the event.

Miss Ruby Moore, music teacher in the Littleton High School, has the distinction of being the first woman to ride across the new bridge.

Miss Moore and Chief Chewning were each seeking to be the first to cross the new bridge. Miss Moore was promised this privilege by Engineer Logue, while Chewning obtained a similar promise from G. C. Jones of Jones Brothers Construction Company, builder of the bridge. Both Miss Moore and Chewning arrived at the bridge with cameras around 4 o'clock to obtain the honor.

The solution was not too hard. Contractor Jones placed Miss Moore and Engineer Logue on the front seat of his car, while Jones, Hundley and Chewning climbed into the back seat for the ride across the river. Since Miss Moore was on the front seat, she was not only the first woman but the first of the general public to cross the bridge.

However, Miss Moore did not have her car, and Chief Chewning became the first motorist to drive across the new bridge. Actually, the final few feet at the north end of the bridge had to be bridged to enable the cars to cross, as a dirt fill remained to be finished.

While the concrete floor of the bridge has been completed, the guard rails of the bridge on Monday had been completed only on the south half of the bridge.

The bridge is not open for public travel and Miss Moore and Chief Chewning and his companions were permitted to cross by special permission.

Jones said that it is not expected that the bridge will be open for public travel until sometime in July. Guard rails will have to be placed on the dirt approaches to the bridge and further construction on the approaches must be made. In addition the highway leading to the bridge must be hard surfaced.

Those crossing the bridge Monday afternoon were impressed with its beauty. They expressed themselves as being gratified that the guard rails of the bridge, while high enough for safety, were not high enough to obstruct a clear view of what will be one of the prettiest sections of the Gaston Lake when the reservoir is filled within the next year.

Kornegay To Leave Davis To Be New Hospital Surgeon

Dr. Wirt L. Davis, a surgeon at the Community Memorial Hospital in South Hill, Va., will join the staff of the Warren General Hospital, F. P. Whitley, hospital administrator, announced Tuesday. Dr. and Mrs. Davis will move to Warrenton the latter part of May.

Dr. Davis will succeed Dr. Lemuel R. Kornegay, who came to the Warren County hospital when it opened in 1951.

Dr. Kornegay has resigned to rejoin his brother in the operation of a hospital in

Rocky Mount. His resignation is effective June 30.

Dr. Davis received his B. S. degree from Furman University, Greenville, S. C., in 1942 following which he completed two years of medical training at Medical College of Virginia at Richmond. Work for his Medical degree was completed in December 1943. Following this he served his internship at Grady Memorial Hospital in

Atlanta, Georgia and progressed to Assistant Resident in surgery from January 1944 through December 1945. Beginning in January, 1946, he served two years in the U. S. Army. For the last five months he was Chief of Surgery at Schofield Barracks Hospital, Oahu, Hawaii.

Surgical training was continued in the Veterans Administration Hospital in Martinsburg, West Virginia, under the auspices of George Washington University until July, 1950, when he went to the Lahey Clinic as a Fellow in Surgery. He was Chief Resident in Surgery at the Cambridge City Hospital, Cambridge, Massachusetts from July 1951 through June 1952.

Upon completion of his training he had a practice of General Surgery for eight years at St. Mary's Hospital in Lewiston, Maine. For the past two years he has been on the Staff at Community Memorial Hospital.

Dr. Davis is a Diplomate of the American Board of Surgery and is a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons. He is also a member of the American Board of Abdominal Surgeons.

Dr. Davis is the son of Mrs. Corinne G. Davis of South Hill, Virginia, and the late Wirt Lee Davis.



DR. WIRT L. DAVIS

M. C. House Dies Suddenly At Currituck

Maurice Clifton House, 59, died suddenly at Currituck while on a fishing trip around noon Wednesday.

Funeral services will be conducted today (Friday) at 4 o'clock from the Warrenton Baptist Church with burial in Fairview Cemetery. The Rev. John Link, his pastor, will officiate.

House has been engaged in business in Warren County for the past 36 years. A native of Franklin County, he was in business at Norlina for nine years in the pressing and cleaning business before coming to Warrenton to be connected in the same line of work with S. M. Gardner. Later he operated a shoe repair business here for a number of years, later adding a line of dry goods to his business. A year or more ago he moved into new quarters and greatly expanded his mercantile business, while retaining his shoe repair shop in the rear of his store.

He was a member of the Warrenton Baptist Church, a member of the Warrenton Lions Club and a member and director of the Warrenton (See HOUSE, page 10)

Man Must Spend Weekends In Jail

A Warren County man may put in a week's work, but must spend his weekends in jail for the next several weeks, under a judgment handed down in Recorder's Court by Judge Julius E. Banzet on last Friday.

When Nathaniel Towns was found guilty of an assault on a female, Judge Banzet ordered that beginning on April 20 and continuing through June 11 the defendant spend his weekends in jail. He is to be locked up each Friday at 4:30 p. m. and released on Monday at 7:30 a. m. during this period.

Vance Perry was found guilty on a charge of possession of non-taxpaid whiskey. He was sentenced to the roads for two years but the sentence was suspended for five years upon condition that he have no quantity of illegal whiskey in his possession and violate no prohibition laws for five years, and pay a \$250 fine and court costs.

A two-month road sentence, suspended for two years, was given Leroy Brown Lewis, who

appeared in court to face charges of reckless driving and no operator's license. In the latter charge he was fined \$25 and costs.

Henry Lee Durham, charged with assault on a female, was ordered returned to Cherry Hospital at Goldsboro after it was learned that the defendant was on probation from the hospital.

Court cases crowded Friday's docket, with the following judgments handed down by the court:

Fred Alston, drunk driving, \$100 and costs.

Amos Edwards, no operator's license, possession of non-taxpaid whiskey and drunk driving, nol pros with leave.

Howard Boone, no chauffeur's license, \$25 and costs.

Earl Richard Scott, improper lights, costs.

Don Edison Swain, speeding, costs.

Arthur Vann, speeding, \$15 and costs.

Hazel Sylvester Williams, speeding, \$5 and costs.

Sidney Leroy Carlton, speeding, costs.

Lancaster Rites To Be Held Today

Mrs. Cora Louise Heuay Lancaster, 76, died in Maria Parham Hospital in Henderson at 11:50 p. m. Monday after a brief illness.

Mrs. Lancaster had made her home with a daughter, Mrs. Johnnie Mae Jordan, in Warrenton. The widow of the late Robert Wylie Lancaster, who died in 1948, she was a member of the Calvary Methodist Church near Littleton.

Funeral services will be conducted this afternoon (Friday) at 2 p. m. from the Blaylock Funeral Home. The Rev. Dan Parker will conduct the last rites and interment will be in Sunset Hill Cemetery in Littleton.

Mrs. Lancaster is survived by three daughters, Mrs. Bertha Shearin of Homestead, Fla., Mrs. Johnnie Mae Jordan of Warrenton, and Mrs. Mary Coley of Macon; four sons, Robert Irving Lancaster of Warrenton, Norman G. Lancaster of Charleston, S. C., Paul J. Lancaster of Manson, and Clinton W. Lancaster of Maysville; a brother, Irby W. Heuay of Warsaw; 26 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Morrissette Dies Wednesday

Mrs. Mary Van Allen Morrissette, 93, died Wednesday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. W. R. Wood in Warrenton, at 6 a. m. after a lingering illness. Born in Evans Mills, N. Y., she was the daughter of the late Warren and Lucia Barnes Van Allen.

Funeral services were conducted from the Warrenton Baptist Church Thursday at 11 a. m. by the Rev. John Link, pastor. Interment was in the Tomahawk Baptist Church Cemetery, Chesterfield County, Va.

Mrs. Morrissette is survived by two sons, L. W. Morrissette of Raleigh and K. G. Morrissette of Richmond, Va.; three daughters, Mrs. W. R. Wood of Warrenton, and Mrs. W. G. Voorhees and Mrs. G. H. Willis of Richmond, Va.; one brother, Howard Van Allen of Evans Mills, N. Y.; ten grandchildren and 30-great-grandchildren.

Baptists To Hold Special Service

A special service on the Ordinances of the Church will be held at the Warrenton Baptist Church on Sunday, April 27. The Ordinance of Baptism will be followed by the Holy Communion at the eleven o'clock worship hour.

The following are to be baptized: Brian Rogers, Linda Roope, Nettie Lou Elam, Beverly Johnson, Myra Johnson, Deborah King, Linda King and Charlie Davis.

Attends Convention

Bill Taylor attended the Beta Club Convention held in Raleigh recently. He is president of the John Graham High School Beta Club.

Legion Auxiliary To Hold Meeting

The American Legion Auxiliary, Unit No. 25, will meet on Thursday evening, May 3, in the Assembly Room of Wesley Memorial Methodist Church at 7:30 o'clock.

The Rev. Troy J. Barrett, pastor, will speak on, "The Poppy and Memorial Day."

Hostesses will be Mesdames C. P. Allen, Viola Gaskill, Jane Montgomery, H. P. Reid and Misses Sadie Limer and Louise Allen.

Littleton Planning Commission Meets

LITTLETON — The first meeting of the newly organized Planning Commission for Littleton was held in the municipal building on Tuesday night with Mayor Milton Stokes and several members of the Board of Town Commissioners present with members of the commission.

George Moneghan of the State Department of Conservation and Development spoke informally to the group, giving several suggestions with which to get started as a planning group.

Joseph P. Newsom will head this group as chairman and Mrs. Francis T. Ricks will serve as secretary. Others comprising the Planning Commission will be K. C. Cheves, Milton Umphlett and Ray Brown. Present at the meeting in addition to the members were Mayor Stokes, Commissioners Roger Gupton, Mason Hawfield and Joe Pope. Marvin Newsom of the Tri-County Board also was present.

Moneghan had an aerial photogram which enabled the group to see just what the situation of the town and surrounding area will be. "You're in pretty good shape to start making physical plans," Moneghan said.

He advised them that they would need to have information on the population trends taking place in the community; population by age and by sex

and the rural and urban population. "You also want to make a study of the economy of the area—the strength and the weaknesses, then you're in position to begin making long-range plans."

The main development would show the best use of property, whether industrial or residential, and the major roads.

"You have to bring all of these uses together in a meaningful pattern for an overall comprehensive plan."

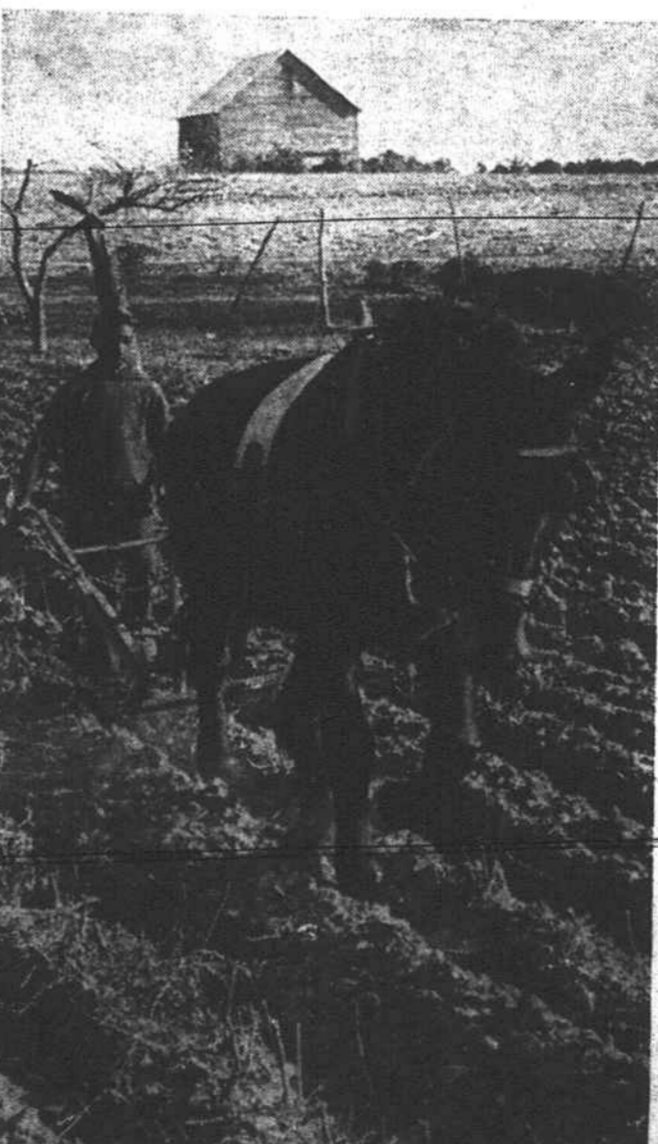
"After the planning is developed, you are concerned with a zoning ordinance—zoning keeps incompatible uses out and takes care of your development plan. Subdivision regulations are of utmost importance," the group was told.

Mayor Stokes brought out the fact that Littleton has a fairly recent zoning ordinance, compiled some three or four years ago.

Moneghan suggested that the first thing the Commission needs to do is to consider the possibility of adopting the subdivision regulations for the town. He plans to send a copy of regulations as used in other towns, for them to study.

Maps must be prepared and a basic survey secured, he said.

The group will meet with Moneghan in the Home Economics building next Tuesday night at 8 o'clock for further (See PLANNING, page 10)



SURE SIGN OF SPRING — The seemingly-tireless mule plods across the Warren County landscape yearly as spring warms the farm land and countless scores of mules are harnessed to the plow. On many a farm the mule is regarded as an absolute part of the planting picture, but in Warren County he clings to the scene with his traditional stubbornness—providing youth with an afternoon challenge and a dream of automation. (Staff Photo)

Warlick President Of Ed. Foundation

Sam A. Warlick, Jr., manager of Leggett's Department Store, has been named president of the Warren Educational Foundation, Inc., an organization founded for the purpose of lending money to needy boys and girls in Warren County to further their education. He succeeds John G. Mitchell, president of The Citizens Bank.

Other officers elected at a recent meeting held at the Citizens Bank were Richard R. Davis, vice-president; and Charles M. White, III, secretary-treasurer.

Directors elected were Claude, T. Bowers, Pett B. Boyd, Tom Brown, Frank Daniel, David Dickerson, Raymond A. Harris, Jr., Ed Harvey, Boyd Mayfield, Duke Miles, Randolph Miles, John G. Mitchell, Al Mustian, Harry Walker, F. P. Whitley

and A. A. Wood.

Warlick gave a summary of the work of the Foundation for the past two years, in which he stated that ten loans had been made to four young students, in the amount of \$675.00. He also re-emphasized the purpose of the Foundation, which, he said, is to obtain and accept gifts, grants and contributions to be used to assist deserving and worthy high school graduates in obtaining a higher education; to give financial assistance by making loans to needy, deserving and ambitious young boys and girls from Warren County, who desire a higher education, and who otherwise might not be able to do so.

An application was approved for a loan to a high school girl graduating this year.

April 30th Deadline Cotton Insurance

Norlina Man To Have Art Display At Rocky Mount

The Rocky Mount Arts Center will exhibit paintings and work in various media by Dan Knight on April 29-May 13.

Knight's paintings have been shown at the North Carolina Art Museum, North Carolina State College, Rocky Mount Art Show, and the Norlina Library.

The show at Rocky Mount will open Sunday, April 29, with a reception from 3-5 p. m., to which the public is invited.

Knight is the son of Mr. and Mrs. George Daniel Knight of Norlina. He is married to the former Norma Pittard, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. N. Pittard of Warrenton. He is now serving his architectural apprenticeship with John L. Thompson, Rocky Mount architect.

RALEIGH — North Carolina All-Risk Crop Insurance on farmers will not be eligible for their 1962 cotton crop after April 30, Julian Mann, State Director for FCIC, announced yesterday. This date applies to all counties where crop insurance is offered to cotton growers.

Applications for All-Risk Crop Insurance, Mann said, cannot be accepted after general plant starts.

Federal All-Risk Crop Insurance offers a farmer protection against losses due to natural causes such as drought, too much rain, disease, and uncontrollable insects.

No definite closing date has been received for the tobacco applications to be taken. Sales can be stopped at any time.

The Warrenton FCIC office is located upstairs in the Warrenton Court House with Mrs. James K. Folk serving as clerk.

Return Home
Mrs. E. H. Russell returned Wednesday from Duke Hospital Durham, where she had been for several weeks for treatment.

Mrs. W. L. Ferguson and family of Emporia, Va., were guests of Mrs. Claudia Stallings and other relatives here for the weekend.

To Attend Rally

The men of the Warrenton Presbyterian Church will attend the Spring Rally, Men of the Church, the Presbytery of Granville, on Sunday afternoon, April 29, at Presbyterian Point on Kerr Lake, Sam A. Warlick, Jr., vice-president of district 2, announced this week.