

# Tobacco Market Opens Thursday, Aug. 30

## Warren County Schools To Open On August 31

Warren County Schools will open for the 1962-63 season with registration on next Friday, August 31, and regular classes on Monday, September 3, J. R. Peeler, Superintendent of Schools, announced this week.

Peeler said that school enrollment this year is expected to be just about the same as that of last year—about 6300 or 6400.

All the schools are expected to open at 8:45, except Littleton which will open at 8:30. Students are requested to be at the schools next Friday morning at this hour for registration, and the assignment of lessons for a full day the following Monday. School is expected to let out before 12 o'clock on Friday so no lunch will be served on that day.

All schools have completed their facilities except Littleton, where two vacancies exist, Peeler said. Here an English teacher and a Science teacher are needed.

Peeler said that an extensive repair and renovation program had been carried out on buildings and grounds during the summer. He said every school in the county had received a thorough going over and school officials are pleased with the results. He said the new agriculture shop at Hawkins has been completed and will be placed in operation the first day of school.

Instructional supplies and new textbooks have been delivered to the schools, Peeler said. The major changes in textbooks, he said, will be a new set of basal readers in the primary grades.

Students are asked to bring fees the first day of school. These are as follows for all schools except John Graham: High school rental fee, \$6.00; supplementary reader fee, 50c to 70c; instructional supply fee, \$1.00; typing fee, \$3.00; agriculture fee, \$2.50; and home

economics fee, \$2.50. Peeler said that workbooks, Weekly Readers, and supplies for arts and crafts will be extra.

Parents are invited to visit the schools on the first day. Peeler said that he would like for them to talk with the teachers and to see the work that has been done on the buildings.

Peeler also said that parents with any school problems are asked to contact the principal before the school opens.

Two teachers meetings will be held on Wednesday, August 29. Peeler said a county-wide meeting for white teachers would be held on that day at 9 a. m. at the John Graham High School, and a meeting for Negro teachers would be held (See SCHOOLS, page 6)

## Norlina Cafeteria To Be Open On Monday, Sept. 3

The cafeteria of the Norlina High School will be open Monday when regular classes for the 1962-63 session will be held, Principal W. O. Reed, announced yesterday. The price of lunches will be 25c.

Reed said that all students are urged to report for registration on Friday, August 31. The school buses will operate and he said that everyone should be dismissed by 11:30 or 12 o'clock.

The following fees will be charged: high school book rental fee, \$6.00; type fee, \$5.00; agriculture fee, \$2.50; home economics fee, \$2.50; and an instructional supply fee of \$1.00. The supplementary

reader fee will be 50c for the first and second grades, 60c for the third, fourth and fifth grades, and 70c for the sixth, seventh and eighth grades. Students may secure the school insurance at a cost of \$1.50 for each student, Reed said.

## Mrs. Gardner Dies At Hospital Thursday A. M.

Kate White Gardner, wife of Jesse Gardner, died Thursday morning in Warren General Hospital after an extended illness.

Services will be held at Gardner's Baptist Church on Saturday morning at 11:00 a. m. with the Rev. Raleigh Carroll, Pastor, officiating, assisted by a former Pastor, the Rev. J. M. Long of Elberon. Burial will follow in the church cemetery.

Mrs. Gardner was the daughter of the late Winfield Scott and Sallie Egerton Gardner. She attended Louisville College, after which she resided in Warren County all of her life. For many years she took an active part in the church and club work of her community.

Survivors include her husband, Jesse Gardner of the home, one daughter, Mrs. R. B. Butler of Warrenton, four sisters, Mrs. Lula G. Harris, Greensboro, Mrs. T. V. Allen, Warrenton, Mrs. W. Ray Bowers, Littleton, and Mrs. Elizabeth Childers of Richmond, Va. two brothers, Simon and Herbert Gardner of Macon and a number of nieces and nephews.

## Court To Open On September 4

The criminal term of Warren County Superior Court will open on Tuesday, September 4, instead of on Monday, September 3.

Clerk of Court Joe N. Ellis said yesterday that the one-day delay in opening court is due to the Labor Day holiday the first Monday in September.



WARRENTON'S NEW POLICE CAR—the town's first—arrived this week. Mayor W. A. Miles is shown on Wednesday morning turning the keys of the new vehicle over to Chief of Police R. D. Chewning. (Staff Photo)

## Vance Man Killed In Fight; Salmon Is Jailed

A Wise man—Otha Salmon, Jr., 40—is being held in Warren County jail on a murder charge following the fatal beating of former Vance County Sheriff J. Edward Hamlett, 69, of Henderson at Salmon's home.

Hamlett died in a Henderson hospital early Sunday morning where he had been taken by ambulance around 11:30 Saturday night.

Salmon was arrested on Sunday morning by Deputy Sheriff Bonnie Stevenson at Warren General Hospital where Salmon had been taken for treatment of two deep cuts on his neck, alleged to have been inflicted by Hamlett in the fight.

According to State Highway Trooper Wallace Brown, Salmon said he did not strike Hamlett until after Hamlett had cut him in the neck and that then he only used his open hand.

But Brown, who had gone to the scene with Warren Deputy Bonnie Stevenson and Lloyd Newsome around 11:30 Saturday night, said that Hamlett had a hole in his temple and that his face was terribly bruised, and that his shirt and undershirt had been practically torn off. Salmon, a powerful man, weighs around 225 pounds, according to the officers, who said that Hamlett weighed around 145 or 150 pounds.

Dr. W. M. Wester, Jr., Vance County Coroner, said Hamlett died of injuries about the chest and head. Information he obtained was communicated to Sheriff Jim H. Hundley of Warren County. Hundley said that Salmon,

brother-in-law of Hamlett, is being held in jail charged with "feloniously killing and slaying" the former Vance officer, and that no bond had been fixed as yet. He said a hearing would probably be given Salmon in Warren County's Recorder's Court on Friday morning.

Hundley said his information was that there were two fights, one at or near a filling station operated by Otha Salmon, and the second at or near Salmon's home, both at Wise.

It was in the second altercation that Hamlett received the fatal injuries, according to information. Dr. Wester said the chest was badly crushed and there were injuries about the head and face.

One report was that Hamlett and wife had gone to Wise on the occasion of their wedding anniversary, and that an argument followed, resulting in the fights and injuries to both men.

Hamlett was sheriff of Vance County for eight years in the 1930's. Later he was for many years connected with the City of Henderson in the capacity of street supervisor. At the time of his death he was on part time duty with the city in an advisory capacity at a salary of \$100 per month. He had previously been forced to relinquish full-time responsibility because of ill health.

Hamlett, who was 69 years old, was born in Franklin County October 5, 1892, son of the late Virginius G. and Laura Thompson Hamlett. Most of his life had been spent in Vance County. He was a member of the First

Methodist Church here.

Survivors include the widow, Mrs. Carrie Salmon Hamlett; two daughters by a previous marriage, Mrs. Lewis Dickerson and Mrs. Jessie Hunt, both of Henderson, and six grandchildren; a half-brother, William E. Hamlett of Chapel Hill; a sister, Mrs. Onnie Harp of Warrenton; and four half-sisters, Mrs. W. H. Journigan, Mrs. George Insoe, Mrs. Woodrow Johnson, all of Henderson, and Mrs. H. A. Davis of Fayetteville.

Funeral services were conducted at the First Methodist Church in Henderson at 4:00 o'clock on Tuesday afternoon by the pastor, the Rev. W. E. Petteway, with burial in Elmwood Cemetery at Henderson.

## Mrs. Weldon To Teach Music In Warrenton Schools

Mrs. Glenn Weldon will be the public school music teacher this year in the Mariam Boyd and John Graham schools. Her salary will be paid by the Warrenton Lions Club.

This was decided at the regular monthly directors meeting of the Warrenton Lions Club at the County Club on Wednesday night of last week.

Teachers of the local schools will be guests at the Junior Ladies' Night of the Club to be held on Saturday night, September 15, the directors agreed. This will be the regular first September meeting of the Lions Club.

In other matters connected with the local schools, the directors agreed to present a

The Warrenton Tobacco Market—with eight warehouses in operation—will open on Thursday, August 30, instead of August 27, as previously announced.

Fred S. Royster of Henderson, managing director of the Bridge Leaf Warehouse Association, announced Tuesday night the three day postponement was made because of the inadequacy of buying and grading personnel. A factor in the delay, he said, is the fact that the loose-leaf experiment has caused confusion and delay in the normal marketing pattern.

This year loose-leaf sales will be permitted on the Middle Belt markets for the first five-days, after which period only tied tobacco will be sold. During the five days in which loose-leaf sales will be permitted, the government will not support tied tobacco, Edgar Wood, Sales Supervisor for the Warrenton Market, said. After that period tied tobacco will be supported, he added.

Wood said that the Warrenton Market would open at 9 o'clock on next Thursday morning with Thompson's Warehouse having the first sale. Farmers will have second sale; Boyd's third; Currin's fourth; and Center, fifth.

A change in the market this year is that the market will only have five sales daily instead of the six sales daily of the past several years. Operation of two warehouses by a single firm, no longer permits two sales a day, he said.

When farmers bring their tobacco to Warrenton next week they will find two new warehouses in operation. Center has built a second warehouse on the Norlina road next to the Warren General Hospital, and Clarence E. (Buck) Thompson, has built a second warehouse adjoining his other warehouse on Franklin Street.

Center Warehouse will be operated by M. P. Carroll, Edward Moody and Edward Radford. Thompson's two warehouses will be operated by C. E. Thompson, and R. S. Young. Currin's two warehouses will be operated by Mrs. D. G. Currin, D. G. Currin, Jr., C. W. Currin and D. E. Tiltotson. Farmers Warehouse will be operated by E. G. Tarwater and Miss Gayle Tarwater; and Boyd's will be operated by Walker P. Burwell.

Bill Martin will auctioneer for Boyd's and Thompson's Warehouses, and Luke Lea will auctioneer for Currin, Center and Farmers.

Wood said that all major companies would be represented on the market this year. Among these representatives back from last year, will be Tom Traynham, American; Ben Franklin, Liggett-Myers; Bill Currin, Reynolds; Si Nunn, Imperial; Phillip Meeler, Monk Henderson, Wood said that Export Tobacco Company and Henderson Tobacco Company, would be represented but that he did (See TOBACCO, page 6)

## One Of Best Crops, Says Agent Reams

One of the best all-round tobacco crops in the history of Warren County will be produced this year, Frank Reams, county agricultural agent, said this week. He said that water had been an important factor in the production of the crop.

Reams said it appears that Warren farmers will sell a five and one-half million dollar crop this year.

Thomas Burton of the Ome community is using the only tobacco bulk curer in Warren County. Reams said that although Burton has made several cures he will withhold judgment on the results until the end of the season. However, Reams said, from reports all over the state, this method or variation of the same is the future method of curing tobacco.

## Shop Burns At Scott's Antiques During Storm

Fire destroyed the storage and finishing shop of Scott's Antiques on the Norlina road on Friday night. Loss is estimated at \$10,000, partially covered by insurance.

The fire, started by lightning, was discovered around 11 o'clock. Due to a severe electrical storm and phones being temporarily out of order, the report of the fire to fire companies at Warrenton and Norlina was delayed.

The Warrenton Rural Fire Department and the Norlina Fire Department arrived promptly upon receiving the alarm and confined the flames to the frame finishing shop which was filled with furniture, causing a fire of unusual intensity.

The firemen, who remained on the job until around 4 o'clock on Saturday morning, are credited with saving an adjoining storage building and the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Robert D. Scott, owner of Scott's Antiques.

Scott said yesterday that the shop would be rebuilt.

## Bail Denied Three In Husband Poisoning Case

Three defendants held in Warren County jail in connection with the poison death of Vance Perry were denied bond and held for their appearance in Superior Court when Judge Julius Banzet found probable cause in the hearing in Recorder's Court last Friday.

Petronia G. Perry is charged with the murder of her husband and with conspiracy to commit murder. Her boy friend, John Henry Harris, is charged with conspiracy to commit murder; and Maggie Williams of Franklin County, from whom the poison is alleged to have been obtained, is also charged with conspiracy to murder.

In other cases tried in Recorder's Court, Johnnie Blackwell was sentenced to the roads for 60 days when he was found guilty of reckless driving.

Leroy Vaughan, found guilty of larceny and disorderly conduct and given a 30-day jail sentence, appealed to Superior Court. Appearance bond was set at \$25.00.

John Wiggins, charged with possession of non-taxpaid meal beer, was found not guilty.

John Mertis Terry was fined \$50.00 and taxed with court costs when he was found guilty on a speeding charge.

Edward Manson appeared in court charged with operating a motor vehicle without a driver's license, drunk driving, leaving scene of accident, and operating a motor vehicle with improper brakes. He was sentenced to the roads for two years. Manson was also sentenced to an additional two years on the roads when he

was found guilty of the temporary larceny of an automobile.

Arthur Lee Goins and William Goings appeared in court to answer to charges of assault with a deadly weapon. Judge Banzet ruled that the case had been frivolously brought and ordered that the prosecuting witness, Elnora Alston, be taxed with court costs in the action.

Ernest Williams, found guilty of speeding and driving on wrong side of highway, was fined \$10.00 and taxed with court costs.

Hazel Mosely Lockomy was fined \$15.00 and court costs when she was found guilty on a speeding charge.

Lawrence Calhoun Marlowe, Jr., charged with speeding, was fined \$10.00 and costs.

Willie George Williams was in court charged with operating a motor vehicle without a driver's license, reckless driving, and with using a fictitious license. He was sentenced to the roads for six months for reckless driving; 30 days for no operator's license; and 30 days for fictitious license.

Roy A. Williams, charged with larceny, was found not guilty.

Claude Jordan, Jr., charged with larceny and disorderly conduct, was found not guilty.

Earl Paschall, charged with (See POISONING, page 6)

## Farmers At Work With Tobacco Crop



C. M. Hallbeck (left) of Rt. 1, Macon, inspects his tobacco for application of MH-30; Howard Hobgood (center) of Rt.



2, Macon, applies liquid nitrogen; and (right) Bill Davis reaches high to top his tall weed. Pictures are by County



Agricultural Agent Frank Reams.