

Cotton Proposals Outlined

Cotton proposals for 1964 were outlined this week by Under Secretary of Agriculture Charles S. Murphy in testimony before the Senate Committee on Agriculture and Forestry. "It is unnecessary to give further consideration to an acreage diversion plan for the 1964 cotton crop," Secretary Murphy told the committee. He recommended passage of the already House approved cotton bill and also that this bill be amended as proposed by a recently organized producers committee to provide a domestic allotment choice.

"This proposal," Murphy stated, "would not interfere with the operation of the release and reappointment system. At the same time it would accomplish the necessary reduction in surplus stocks. This makes it unnecessary, therefore to give further consideration to an acreage diversion plan for the 1964 crop."

In a news release Wednesday Secretary Murphy said that the producers committee has proposed for the crops of 1964 through 1967 a voluntary domestic acreage allotment within the present national acreage allotment. He explained that the domestic acreage allotment would reflect estimated domestic consumption and would be about two-thirds of the effective farm allotments established under current legislation and under H. T. 6196. Producers who choose to plant within the domestic allotment would receive a higher rate of support rate on normal production of the acreage planted to cotton. The higher supports would be affected through the use of accumulated CCC stock.

Producers who plant on the basis of a domestic allotment (see COTTON, page 4)



PORTION OF CROWD AT 'BLUE AND GOLD' BANQUET HELD MONDAY NIGHT

Town May Face Suit Arising From Damage

Warrenton may face a damage suit as the result of waste material from its treatment plant flowing into a private pond a short distance away.

Dixon Ward, chairman of the water committee, told the board of town commissioners Monday night that Richard D. Harmon, who lives a short distance south of the treatment plant, has alleged that carbon and other matter from the treatment plant had ruined his pond and that he has been damaged an estimated \$5,000 as a result. He said that Harmon wants the town to pay him \$5,000 for his pond.

Ward said that there is no doubt that the Harmon pond has been damaged by carbon from the wash basin of the treatment plant, but that an engineer after inspecting the pond had said that much of the filling of the pond had been caused by silt from surrounding terrain washing into the pond, and that this was not the town's responsibility.

Unfortunately, Ward said, the carbon from the wash basin mingles with the soil at the bottom of the pond, causing it to fluff, and making its removal extremely difficult.

Ward said that the engineer had estimated that land could be acquired and a settling pond built above the Harmon pond site for around \$1800, but this does not solve the problem of removal of the carbon from the pond.

The matter of debris from the wash basin flowing into Harmon's pond has been before the commissioners for several years, with no definite action being taken by the commissioners to abate the nuisance. The commissioners Monday night were of the opinion that Harmon has been damaged by action of the town and is entitled to relief. But they expressed the opinion that \$5,000 is a high figure for the pond. They (see SUIT, page 4)

Cub Scout Banquet Draws Large Crowd Here Monday Night

The "Blue and Gold" Banquet of the Cub Scouts was held Monday night at the John Graham High School cafeteria with approximately 150 boys and parents present.

The five dens had beautifully decorated tables which were judged by Dr. Sam Massey, Howard Jones and Bill Neal. Mrs. Satterwhite's Den 5 won the exhibit. Bill Neal made the presentation. A menu prepared by the mothers of each den was served.

Following the meal, Scoutmaster Leonard Daniel gave a talk on "Boy Scouting," and told what the cubs could look forward to as they move along into this field. He used his son's uniform for a prop and explained the merit awards and different badges, including the Eagle, which his son, Phil, has earned. He presented 15 awards to the cubs.

After the presentation, two "Father and Son" games were played, with both father and son participating, and their scores added for a total. Edward Hunter and son, Frank Hunter of Den 1, won the "Pitch and Win" game, while Frederick Williams and son, Frederick of Den 2, won the "Shooting Gallery." Each was presented a tie slide as a trophy.

The meeting was dismissed with the singing of "America." Den Mothers present were: Mrs. Troy Barrett; Den 2, Mrs. J. M. Stoney, Jr.; Den 3, Mrs. Gene Rainey; Den 4, Mrs. Margaret Sipe; Den 5, Mrs. Creed Satterwhite and Mrs. Mary Helen Hight.

Cub Master Pete Vaughan was unable to be present, but assistant Cub Master John G. Powell attended.

Committeemen present were Bill Neal, Tom Watson and Creed Satterwhite. Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Daniel and daughter, Joy Lynn, were special guests.

Fire Truck Purchase Is Authorized

The Board of Commissioners has authorized the purchase of a modern fire truck for the town, but a possible change in specifications may up the price and possibly cause a slight delay in the delivery of the truck.

In a called meeting of the board, the commissioners approved the purchase of a high pressure, fog type truck from Beam Construction Company, at a cost of \$15,500 for truck and chassis.

In order to reduce the cost to the \$15,500 figure, some features of the truck were eliminated. Among these were an over-engine cab, which would have permitted storage from behind the cab for firemen's gear. Fire Chief Walker Burwell told the commissioners that the firemen were very much disappointed with these omissions, and had offered to have funds donated by the town for their convention for the next two years diverted to make up the difference of the estimated \$1,000 in the cost. Burwell said that they would pay their own expenses to the conventions, and in addition had promised to put in money raised from dances for this purpose. Burwell said that they had purchased their own firefighting gear with proceeds from these dances.

Commissioner W. L. Wood, who is a patient in Veterans Hospital in Durham, was quoted as saying that he was disturbed by the turn of affairs and that he felt that the firemen should not be required to pay any of the cost of the truck. Commissioner Dixon Ward said that he is unalterably opposed to the proposal. He said that an investigation should be made and if the additions are necessary they should be made and that the entire cost should be borne by the town. If the additions are not necessary, he said, they should not be made. Other commissioners concurred with Ward's statement, and during the discussion the firemen were praised for their services to the town.

Chief Burwell was instructed to contact Beam Company and to obtain new specifications and costs for the chassis upon which the engine will be mounted. As soon as this additional information is obtained, it will be discussed by the board and a decision made at a called meeting.

W. E. Perry, Jr., assistant chief, appeared before the commissioners with Chief Burwell. Also appearing before the commissioners was Charlie Fitts to explain a leak in a water pipe leading from a meter to his house and to ask a reduction in his water bill caused by the leak. After hearing Fitts' explanation of efforts he had made to find the leak somewhere in a 200-foot water line and to have it repaired, the commissioners held that Fitts had been diligent in his efforts to correct the leak, and that the waste of water was not his fault. They agreed to reduce his water bill in the amount of \$11.05 for the first month and \$11.25 for the second. They said that the reduction was given as the result of unusual circumstances and was not intended to set a precedent.

Action on an application for a taxi-cab license for Alpheus Odell Kearney was postponed until a study can be made of the taxicab situation in the town. Taxicab driver's licenses were granted to Hayward Lee and Charles Parks, Jr.

A request for a sidewalk on Warren street was tabled. No action was taken on a request from highway officers that no parking be permitted on certain sections of North and South Main Street. Mayor Miles said that the board would consider the request when and if they received written request for the regulations from the State Highway Commission. Concensus expressed was that no such request will be forthcoming.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Dollar of Raleigh, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Calder of Asheville, and Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Aycock of Henderson attended the funeral of their father, Mr. J. H. Duke here on Sunday.

Consolidation Of Schools Discussed



SALLY PEOPLES



EDWARD SHEARIN

Two Students Named As National Finalists

A Warrenton girl and a Macon boy have been named finalists in the National Merit Scholarship Program. Kenneth Brinson, principal of John Graham High School here, announced this week.

Recognized for high performance in the program were Sarah Vann Peoples, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Peoples of Warrenton, and Edward Nelson Shearin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jasper W. Shearin of Rt. 1, Macon. Miss Peoples is currently a high school senior at Stuart Hall at Staunton, Va., while Shearin is a John Graham High School senior.

Certificates of merit were forwarded both students—a distinction won by approximately 13,000 students, or one-half of

one per cent of the secondary school seniors in the nation. As finalists, the two will compete for Merit Scholarships, the winners of which will be announced in April. Approximately 1,600 finalists will be offered Merit Scholarships in the current competition.

Collection Of Books Slated To Be Held On Monday Night

A drive to collect books for Warrenton and Macon schools will be conducted Monday night, Feb. 17, from 7:30 to 9:30 under the sponsorship of the Graham-Boyd-Macon PTA.

All citizens who have books which they would like to contribute to the schools are asked to turn on their front-door lights between the hours of 7:30 and 9:30 on Monday night when canvassers will call for donations.

Mrs. Lela Holt, chairman of the PTA sponsoring committee, said yesterday that the Graham-Boyd-Macon PTA is sponsoring the drive in the belief that there may be hundreds of volumes on home bookshelves which would be of great value to the local school libraries and that interested citizens would welcome the opportunity to share these treasures with the schools. She asks that anyone not contacted during the drive with books to donate to please contact her.

Boy Scouts will assist school patrons in conducting the drive. In charge of and assisting in the drive in the various communities will be:

Warrenton—Leonard Daniel, Troy Barrett, Mrs. B. B. Williams, Dr. Sam Massey, Mrs. Boyd Davis, Mrs. Monroe Gardner. (see BOOKS, page 4)

Study Is Planned By Board

Three plans looking towards the consolidation of Warren County schools were presented to the Warren County Board of Education for study Monday night. It was stressed that the plans were for study only, with possible action to come later.

The Afton school, in a section of declining school population, last year had only enough pupils to warrant two teachers. However, the county agreed to pay salary of an additional teacher for a one-year term only.

Under the first plan submitted it was suggested that the present John Graham school plant be made a high school to serve students from Warrenton and Norlina, and to change the name of the school to Warren Central High School. Under this plan eight teachers—six academic and two vocational—would be brought from Norlina to Warrenton.

The present Norlina High School would be made an elementary school, with 7th and 8th grade students now going to Macon being sent to Norlina. To be added to the Norlina elementary school would be five teachers—six if one teacher for the gifted is included.

It was pointed out that this plan would give more space at Norlina for adequate library facilities, and would give Macon pupils access to a gymnasium.

Afton-Elberon would come into District No. 1, with all No. 1 5th and 6th grade pupils being sent to Macon, which would have four or five teachers. All District No. 1 3rd and 4th grade pupils would be sent to Afton-Elberon which would have five teachers. All first and second grade pupils would go to Mariani Boyd which would have five teachers.

Plan No. 2 calls for the closing of the Afton-Elberon school and the bringing of all pupils to Warrenton where two mobile units would be purchased to house them.

The present Afton-Elberon plant would be used to house pupils from Hecks Grove (probably all 7th and 8th grade pupils from Afton-Elberon).

The new South Warren School would become a school for Grades 1-6.

The third plan calls for the building of a new school on a site half-way between Warrenton and Norlina to serve high school pupils from Warrenton and Norlina; to renovate the Norlina plant to accommodate elementary pupils only, and to (see SCHOOLS, page 4)



Dr. Collins To Speak At Woman's Meet

Dr. Thomas A. Collins, president of N. C. Wesleyan College at Rocky Mount, will be the guest speaker at the regular dinner meeting of the Warrenton Woman's Club scheduled to be held at Hotel Warren on Thursday night, February 20, at 7 o'clock.

Dr. Collins was appointed Executive Secretary of the Methodist Conference Board of Missions in 1953. In this capacity he assisted in the organization of 70 new Methodist churches. In March 1959 he was elected the first president of the new N. C. Wesleyan College. He is a member of the Rocky Mount Kiwanis Club (see COLLINS, page 4)

Cancer Death Rate Identical In 1961-62

Death rates for cancer in 1961 and 1962 were identical, with 19 deaths being attributed to the disease each year, Dr. Robert F. Young, Health Director, said this week. Reports for 1963 have not been completed.

With the teaching of the seven danger signals of cancer and its early detection, Dr. Young said, we should be able to decrease our death rate in spite of an increase in the number of cases. Early detection, he added, is the best control of cancer at this time. While only one in three cancer patients are now being cured, he said there is enough means of treatment available to cure one in two cases if detected in the early stages. (see CANCER, page 4)

Large Number Of Defendants Are Tried In Recorder's Court

Frank Baker, convicted in Warren County Recorder's Court last Friday on a charge of possession of whiskey for the purpose of sale, noted an appeal. Appeal bond was set at \$100 for his appearance at the June term of Superior Court.

Baker's case was one of a large number of cases tried in Recorder's Court last Friday by Judge Julius Banzet with a majority of the cases concerned with violations of the motor vehicle laws.

Jesse Ingram, who pled guilty to a charge of possession of non-taxpaid whiskey, was fined \$10 and ordered to pay court costs.

James Wilkinson was found guilty of assault with a deadly weapon. Prayer for judgment was continued for one year upon condition that the defendant remain of good behavior and pay court costs.

Thomas Lee Hendrick pled guilty to a charge of assault. Prayer for judgment was continued for one year upon condition that the defendant remain of good behavior and pay court costs.

Robert Johnson, found guilty on an assault charge, was sentenced to the roads for 90 days.

Tommy Hawkins drew a 90 days road sentence when he was found guilty on a larceny charge.

Walter Clemon Smith, Sr., was sentenced to the roads for 90 days when he was found guilty on a non-support charge. The sentence was suspended for two years upon condition that the defendant pay into the office of the Superintendent of Welfare \$20.00 per week for the support of his wife and children, and pay court costs. Smith noted an appeal and appeal bond was set at \$100.

John Cannon, who entered a plea of nolo contendere to a charge of possessing non-taxpaid whiskey for the purpose of sale, was sentenced to the roads for six months. The sentence was suspended for five years upon condition that the defendant not violate any prohibition laws of the state for five years, pay a \$50 fine and court costs.

James Robert Russell, who pled guilty to a charge of allowing an unlicensed person to operate a motor vehicle, was ordered to pay court costs.

John Yancey, Jr., who pled guilty to operating a motor vehicle without an operator's

license and to operating a motor vehicle with a defective turn signal, was fined \$25 and ordered to pay court costs.

Cleveland Roosevelt Hawkins, who pled guilty to charges of having no operator's license and to driving on the wrong side of the road, was fined \$35 and taxed with court costs.

Robert Henry Wilson, charged with speeding, driving without an operator's license and with drunk driving, was fined \$100 and taxed with court costs.

John R. Wooten, found guilty of drunk driving, was sentenced to the roads for 30 days.

Speeding cases and verdicts were as follows: Luther Bernice Aycock, Jr., costs; David Scott, \$10 and costs; John Kenneth Sterling, costs; Peter Hawkins, costs; Willie Jackson Bledsoe, costs; Roland Johnnie Livertman, costs; Raymond Brandley Mahoney, \$15 and costs; Phenie Ravis Vick, \$15 and costs; William Morris Long, \$15 and costs; Keither William Mc Lamb, \$15 and costs; Garland Woods, \$10 and costs; Philip Thomas Jones, costs; Dale Combs, \$10 and costs; Clyde Degraffundt, \$10 and costs.



RICHARDSON PREYER

Preyer Plans Visit To County Tuesday

Richardson Preyer, Democratic candidate for Governor, will visit Warrenton Tuesday, Feb. 18, on his 100-county tour of North Carolina. It will be the fourth week of the tour.

He will make his appearance at 3 p. m. at the Warren County Courthouse to discuss informally with the citizens of Warren County his platform for the Governorship.

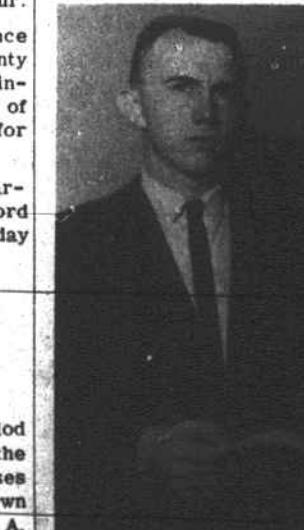
Preyer will arrive in Warrenton after stops at Oxford and Henderson. Later Tuesday he will go to Louisburg.

Grace Period Will Be Extended Here

The two-day grace period permitted by the State in the purchase of automobile licenses will be extended to the Town of Warrenton, Mayor W. A. Miles said yesterday.

He said that all owners of motor vehicles in Warrenton must have the 1964 town tags displayed by midnight Monday, Feb. 17.

The state permitted the delay because the 15th falls on Saturday when many state offices are closed and because the 16th falls on Sunday.



William J. Perkinson, Wise farmer, is presented a certificate by Dwight Scotten, right, vice-president and cashier of The Peoples Bank, following completion of a two-week modern farming short course at N. C. State. The Norlina bank underwrote tuition costs of the course for Warren County's representative. L. B. Hardage, agricultural extension agent, said Perkinson had been active in county 4-H work and had shown the grand champion four consecutive years at the Junior Dairy show held during the Warren County Fair. (Staff Photo)