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## Warren Tax Rate Is \$1.98

### Board Makes No Change In Budget

The tax rate of \$1.98 on the \$100 valuation is now the official tax rate of Warren County.

The Board of County Commissioners in special meeting here on Tuesday approved the tentative budget without change.

The tax rate of \$1.98 includes a rate of \$1.05 for general purposes and 93c for schools and is 10c higher than the rate in effect for the 1959-60 fiscal year.

No other business was before the commissioners at their short session here on Tuesday morning.

## Barretts To Leave Sunday Afternoon

"Through the Tunnels" will be the sermon topic at the 11 o'clock worship service at Wesley Memorial Methodist Church, the Rev. Troy Barrett, pastor, announced yesterday.

Sunday afternoon the Barretts will motor to Greensboro where Mrs. Barrett and the boys will stay with Mrs. E. Williams, mother of Mrs. Barrett. Monday morning Mr. Barrett will go to Lake Junaluska to attend the Leadership School.

There will be no service in the church on Sunday, August 7. Mrs. Barrett said that the members are invited to worship in one of the other churches.

Dr. Cecil Robbins, president of Louisville College, will preach at Wesley Memorial Church on Sunday, August 14.

Mr. Barrett will preach on Sunday, August 21, using as his subject "What Must I Do to Be Made Whole?" On Sunday, August 28, his subject will be "Religion and Golf."

## Local Families Camp At Lake

Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Rodwell, Jr. and son, Jimmie, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Hunter and family, and Miss Debbie Roberts, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Roberts, spent several days last week at Kerr Lake, camping at the Warren County Recreation area.

Rodwell and Hunter spent the nights at the camp but commuted to work each day. Sleeping quarters for the group consisted of a pup tent, a station wagon and a homemade trailer, designed and built by Hunter.

Rodwell said this week that the entire group had a delightful time, enjoyed camping, fishing, swimming and boating. He said that while only a few parties were camping at the Warren County area during the middle of the week, that it was almost crowded over the weekend.

## Legion Auxiliary To Hold Meeting

The American Legion Auxiliary will meet in the Assembly Room of the Warrenton Baptist Church on Thursday evening, August 4, at 8 o'clock with Mrs. H. P. Reid, Mrs. H. C. Montgomery, Miss Sadie Limer, Mrs. Ethel Limer and Mrs. Roger Limer as co-hostesses.

Mrs. K. A. Pittman of Kinston, Department Parliamentarian, will be the guest speaker.

## Warrenton Wins Over W. Plains

The Warrenton Pony League took its second straight victory over a Warren Plains team on Saturday afternoon, winning in a game played at Mason by the score of 7-5.

Billy Bason held Warren Plains to only three hits while striking out 13.

Warren Plains pitchers only allowed three hits, but wild pitching by two Warren Plains pitchers is blamed for the loss.



WARRENTON — Mayor W. A. Miles presents the keys of the city to Miss Pirkko-Lisa Pitkanen, center right, and Miss Anneli Inkeroinen, both of Helsinki, Finland, here on Sunday. The 18-year-old Rangers (the equivalent of Senior Girl Scouts) are guests of the Bright Leaf Girl Scout Council and are currently guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Butler of Warrenton. Following their visit in this area, the girls will join 19 other Rangers and Girl Scouts in New York City for sightseeing and work among handicapped children in the Middle-Atlantic states. (Photo by Howard Jones)

## Girls From Finland Are Guests At Lions Meeting

### Greer Breaks His Neck In Dive At White Lake

Charles Greer, 21-year-old Warrenton man, suffered a broken neck and crushed vertebrae while diving at White Lake on Saturday afternoon. Diving from a pier he struck his head on the bottom of the lake.

Greer was paralyzed when taken to Duke Hospital following the accident, but was able to move a hand on Tuesday. Muscular therapy was begun at the hospital on Tuesday, but members of his family reported yesterday that it is not known whether or not he will be paralyzed.

Greer and his wife, the former Miss Patsy Hicks, and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Greer were spending the weekend at White Lake.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Greer spent the Fourth of July at White Lake and during that time dived frequently from the pier from which Greer jumped Saturday.

Greer's address is Charles Greer, Halstead Ward, 3rd Floor, Duke Hospital, Durham, N. C.

Two young girls from Finland highlighted the program of the Warrenton Lions Club Friday night of last week meeting at Hotel War-

renton. Anneli Inkeroinen and Pirkko-Lisa Pitkanen, Girl Guide Rangers of Finland, discussed living conditions, customs and differences in Finland, gave their impressions of America, and at the end of their talk answered a number of questions from interested Lions. They were presented by Howard Daniel, who had charge of the program.

The girls are members of a group of 14 Rangers (the equivalent of Senior Girl Scouts) and seven United States Senior Girl Scouts who will participate in an international service project to handicapped children in this country during August. The Rangers are from France, Finland, Mexico, Pakistan, South Africa, Switzerland, Antigua and Bermuda.

They have been guests of the Bright Leaf Girl Scout Council since July 2 and Misses Inkeroinen and Pitkanen have been guests of Mrs. Bob Butler from July 22-29. Mrs. Butler accompanied the girls to the Lions meeting as a guest of the club.

During their talks before the Lions it was revealed that

the girls are not only interested in Girl Scout work, but are also interested in work among the blind and the handicapped, one of the top projects of the Lions.

At the opening of the meeting, group singing was led by Vice President Monroe Gardner, accompanied at the piano by Mrs. Gardner. The invocation was given by the Rev. E. W. Baxter.

Presentation of pins was made to new members Lion Glenn Perkinson and Lion Nat Hilliard by Harold Skillman. C. M. Bullock, president of the club, who presided over the meeting, announced that nominations for the Lion of the Year would be made at the next meeting.

Guests of club members for the meeting were Clarence Skillman of Thomasville, Ga., a brother of Lion Harold Skillman, and Cotton Watson of South Hill, Va., a visiting Lion.

No Episcopal Services Services will not be held at Emmanuel Episcopal Church here on Sunday, July 31, as the rector, the Rev. E. L. Baxter, is teaching at Vade Mecum Camp, Regular 8 and 11 a. m. services will be held on Sunday, August 7.

Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Ellis recently spent some time at their cottage at Nags Head.

## Four Local Students Listed In Dean's List

Four 1960 graduates of John Graham High School at Warrenton have been included in "The Dean's List of Outstanding Graduates," largest directory of honor students in the United States.

Ed Wood, Nancy Pittard, Saralee Drake and Eleanor Ruth King have been notified of their inclusion in the directory by William J. Baltaks, Publisher.

The names were submitted by J. F. Hockaday, principal of John Graham High School.

The directory contains the names of graduates who have attained an outstanding scholastic record or have demonstrated qualities of leadership in other phases of their school work.

Baltaks, in his letter to the local students said that they may be justly proud of their accomplishments.

"As a result of this honor," Baltaks wrote, "you will receive national recognition and have an invaluable recommendation when you seek employment at a later date. You may use our name as reference at any time and we will be happy to forward certification of this award to any employer you designate. You will find these benefits particularly advantageous because interviewers place great importance on scholastic achievement."

"In addition, we invite you to consult our Educational Research Service which offers information about any American University or College. Therefore, if you have any question regarding admission requirements, tuition fees, or scholarship opportunities, please feel free to write us at any time. These privileges are available to you without charge."

Principal Hockaday said yesterday that he was delighted that the names of these outstanding students have been included in "The Dean's List," and that he considers it a great honor.

Ed Wood is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Wood of Warrenton; Nancy Pittard is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Pittard of Warrenton; Saralee Drake is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Drake, Jr., of Warrenton; and Eleanor Ruth King is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. King of Oakville, Warrenton, Route 1.

Wood and Miss Drake in addition to their scholastic records were outstanding athletes during their school careers. Miss King was this year's D.A.R.'s Good Citizen. Miss Pittard was valedictorian of her class. She also won a scholarship to Flora MacDonald College, Bristol, Va., and continued her college work at Richmond Professional Institute where she received the B. S. degree last January.

The Humphreys have a daughter, Cynthia York, 23 months old.

HUMPHREYS TO BE INSTALLED AT LITTLETON LITTLETON—The Rev. Levi Humphreys will be ordained and installed at the 11 o'clock worship service on Sunday morning at the Littleton Presbyterian Church.

The Rev. John M. Walker, Jr., of Roanoke Rapids, the Rev. George Calhoun of Henderson and the Rev. B. L. Carter of Raleigh will participate in the service.

Mrs. C. L. Purdy and Mrs. P. T. Harrell and children of Wake Forest visited relatives in Richmond, Va., last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Davis and family are at Crescent Beach, S. C.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Johnson are at Myrtle Beach, S. C.

Miss Mary Frances Rodwell and Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Daniel and Mary Elizabeth of Littleton will leave on Sunday for Virginia Beach, Va.

He is a native of Sutton, W. Va., where he received a high school education. He received his B. A. degree at King's College, Bristol, Tenn., and his B. D. degree at Union Theological Seminary in Richmond.

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## Edward Hunter Resigns As Town Clerk To Take Job With Peck Company

Edward Hunter, Town Clerk since 1956, has resigned his position with the town to accept a position in the bookkeeping department of Peck Manufacturing Company. His resignation is effective on August 27.

Hunter's resignation was accepted "with deep regret" by the board of town commissioners at a called meeting here last Friday. His successor has not been named.

In addition to accepting the resignation of the town clerk, the commissioners passed a resolution endorsing Robinson's Ferry as the site for a proposed bridge across the Roanoke River. A similar resolution was made by the board of commissioners of neighboring Norlina last week.

Hunter became town clerk in February, 1956, following the resignation of Bill Currie. In his position he has had a multitude of duties and in addition to town clerk bears the titles of secretary and treasurer, assistant to the Superintendent of the Water Department, tax collector, purchasing agent, municipal accountant and tax lister.

While the commissioners employed no one to replace Hunter at the called meeting, they did discuss desirable qualifications for a combination town clerk and substitute

water plant operator. For the position of town clerk they are seeking a man with some knowledge of bookkeeping, who is able to deal with the public, has some typing ability and with good habits. He must be acceptable to the bonding company. Qualifications for substitute water plant operator are listed as general mechanical aptitude and absolute dependability. His work week is 5 1/2 days, but he must be subject to emergency and holiday work. In addition he must take his turn on weekend water plant operation, and assist in reading water meters.



DR. WALTER A. WHITE

## Dr. White Begins The Practice Of Dentistry Here

Dr. Walter A. White of Drury on Monday became associated with Dr. Sam H. Massey here in the practice of dentistry.

Dr. White graduated from the University of North Carolina in 1952, and after serving two years with the United States Air Force, entered the School of Dentistry at the University from which he was graduated this spring. He has recently passed his examination before the Board of Dental Examiners.

The son of Mrs. Henry B. White and the late Mr. White of Drury, Dr. White is the brother of Nat White, Soil Conservationist for Warren County, and is the twin brother of Dr. Wallace White who formerly practiced medicine here. He is a member of the Presbyterian Church.

Dr. White is presently commuting from his home at Drury, but following his wedding in late December will move to Warrenton where he and Mrs. White will make their home.

## A Bridge Across The Roanoke River

By BIGNALL JONES

In the December 9, 1955, issue of The Warren Record there appeared a news story relating that a Warren County delegation had appeared with Highway Commissioner Donnie Sorrell and Highway Engineer Hunter Irvin before Governor Hodges on Tuesday to ask that he allocate surplus highway funds for the building of a bridge to replace the Eaton Ferry and connect Roanoke Township with the rest of the county.

Persons from Warren County present at the meeting with Commissioner Sorrell and Engineer Irvin were Commissioners Jim Hundley, John Wilson, Amos Capps, J. T. Harris and Robert Thorne, County Agent Frank Reams, Register of Deeds Sam Allen, Ruth Mincher of The Littleton Observer, and Bignall Jones of The Warren Record. Also present and acting as spokesman for the Warren County group was W. W. Taylor, Jr., of Warrenton, then a member of the General Assembly, and county attorney.

The Warren County delegation told the Governor their reasons for desiring the bridge, stressing the need to connect Roanoke Township with the remainder of the county.

Commission Sorrell told Governor Hodges that he placed the Roanoke bridge at the top of needs for his district, and that unless money was made available from the Governor's Fund he failed to see how the bridge could be built at all.

Commissioner Sorrell also said that he found the citizens of Warren County most cooperative, and that the people of Warren County badly needed the bridge.

On Friday of that week Governor Hodges allocated funds for the building of a bridge across the Roanoke. An account of this allocation was carried in the December 16, 1955, issue of The Warren Record, as follows:

"Eaton's Ferry which has served travelers for more than 150 years will be replaced by a modern bridge across the Roanoke River connecting Roanoke Township with the rest of the county."

Governor Hodges on Friday allocated \$300,000 for the construction of the bridge from special surplus accruing in highway funds and turned over to the Governor for allocation.

Highway Commissioner Donnie Sorrell and Highway Engineer Hunter Irvin before the Governor on Tuesday of last week to request the bridge. The Warren County delegation consisted of county officials and newspaper representatives.

"This delegation pointed out to Governor Hodges that Roanoke Township was largely isolated from the rest of the county because of the lack of a bridge; that due to low water on Monday school children could not cross the river to attend school, and that on cold and rainy days school children had to stand exposed to the elements as the ferry crossed the river. One bus carries children to the north side of the river and they take another bus on the south side as it is not considered safe to carry a bus on the ferry. Also pointed out by the delegation was that when a proposed VEPCO dam is built near Thelma that even this inadequate ferry service will be abandoned."

The proposed bridge will be located at or near old Robinson Ferry site as high water will make the Eaton Ferry site unsatisfactory. The Robinson Ferry site is a few miles up the river from Eaton's Ferry.

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"It will be at least 1956 before the bridge is completed. Highway Commissioner Sorrell told Governor Hodges on Tuesday of last week that he thought it would be a year before the work could be completed. One of the things expected to delay construction is the obtaining of steel. Sorrell said he felt that it might be at least eight months before steel would become available for the project."

"Warren citizens have been advocating the building of a bridge across the Roanoke near Eaton's Ferry for approximately 20 years. In the thirties hopes that the bridge could be built were dissipated when Warrenton and Littleton could not agree upon the location. A year or more (ago) agitation was renewed and more than a thousand names were signed to a petition urging that the state build the bridge. Both these efforts came to naught."

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Warren County 4-H delegates left Warrenton on Monday for Raleigh where they are attending State 4-H Week-end State College. They are, left to right: Front row—Emily Stansbury, Sandra Walker, Ellen Glenn Wood, Lucy Ann Hicks, Margaret Ann Paschall, second row—Sandy Stansbury, Betty Jo Sabrowski, Ginger Hicks, Margaret Biddout, third row—Holtzman, Virginia Robertson; fourth row—Miss Ann Raskley, assistant State Agent, L. B. Hardage, assistant Agricultural Agent, Herbert Massey, James Clark, State Agent, and Don Riddout, adult neighborhood leader.