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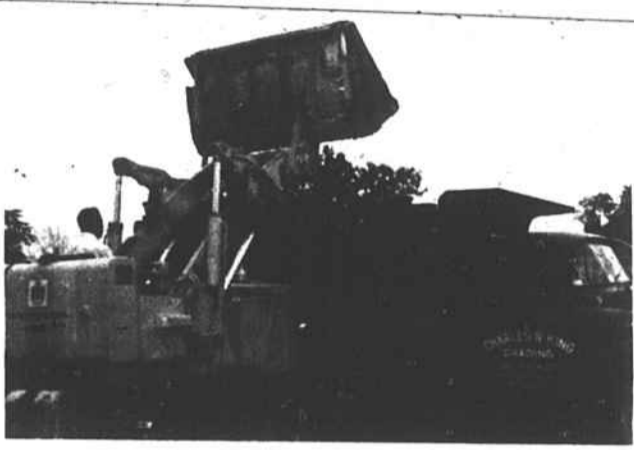
WARRENTON, COUNTY OF WARREN, N. C.

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Scott Gardner, manager of Warrenton Furniture Exchange, said yesterday that he hoped that removal of debris from the warehouse fire last Tuesday would be completed this week. Pictured are workmen removing debris.



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Town Of Warrenton Rents 50,000-Gal. Pressure Tank

Tank To Be Rented For Six Months

Farmers Receive Nearly Quarter Million In Diversion Payments

Nearly a quarter of a million dollars have been mailed to Warren County farmers participating in the voluntary cotton, feed grain and wheat programs. The bulk of the payments are for diversion of the cotton acreage.

T. E. Watson, ASCS office manager, said yesterday that checks have been mailed to 1874 cotton producers, totaling \$229,434. Those cotton producers had already received diversion advance payments totaling \$77,106.

Drafts are being computed this year by the USDA Computer Automatic System in New Orleans from data furnished by the local county office. Checks are returned to the county office for signatures and to be checked for accuracy; then they are mailed to producers. Watson said that all drafts received here have been mailed, and that others will go out as soon as received from the New Orleans office.

In addition to the checks mailed to cotton producers, final price support and diversion payment checks have been mailed to 835 feed grain and wheat producers in the county, totaling \$62,771. These food grain producers have already received diversions and price support advance payments totaling \$60,302.

Total final payments already made total \$292,205. Of this amount the Warren County office prepared checks totaling \$89,911 and the Commodity Credit Office in New Orleans prepared the balance.

Watson said that these programs are designed to meet national agricultural problems. He outlined the four basic goals in the current program as follows:

1. To work off surpluses where they still exist.
2. To maintain a reasonable balance between production and use of farm commodities.
3. To maintain and improve

farm income.

4. To hold down and cut if possible the cost of farm program administration.

Watson noted that the goals are achieved through incentives to encourage producers to voluntarily reduce their crop acreage and production. Diversion payments are made in cotton and feed grains. "The size of payment a farmer gets," Watson said, "reflects the degree of participation in a program. The primary purpose is to keep production in line with demand."

A 50,000-gallon pneumatic tank has been rented for six months by the Board of Town Commissioners to serve Warrenton's water need until a permanent tank can be erected.

Warrenton's water tank was destroyed in a disastrous warehouse fire here on Tuesday night of last week.

J. Ed Rooker, town manager, said yesterday that the tank should be in operation within a few days.

He said that the Water Department had secured a tractor operator irrigation pump and connected it to the water main on a standby basis. He said that this would enable Warrenton to keep up its water pressure should their be a failure in electrical power.

Rooker also said that in spite of the large fire here last Tuesday, nothing but filtered water had been pumped into the town's water mains.

The decision to rent the compression tank was made at a called meeting of the town board on Monday night with all members of the board present. Also present was a representative of John A. Edwards and Company, a Raleigh engineering firm retained by the town, who discussed installation of the compression tank and plans for the erection of a permanent tank.

The installation of the temporary tank will remove the need for the pumps at the filter plant to be run around the clock as has been the case since last Tuesday night in order to maintain pressure in the water mains.

The commissioners agreed Monday night that the destroyed tank should be replaced by a 150,000-gallon tank, located at a point in the northern section of the town. Reason for installing the tank in the northern part of the town was due to a suggestion by the engineer that such a location would give the town two sources of pressure in case of fire—one from the tank and the other from the pumps at the filter plant.

Suggested as a site was the Warrenton Fair Grounds, as the cost of installation would be reduced as the town already has a 10-inch water main at this source. However, this point is still in the suggestion phase.

A bond issue will be required to raise funds for the erection of the new water tank as the board has been advised by the Local Government Commission against the issuance of town revenue bonds, as this would tie up all revenues from the water department.

It is estimated that it will take at least six months for the engineers to draw up specification, receive bids for the town and conduct a bond issue. It is anticipated that the Economic Development Administration will make a grant towards part of the cost of erecting the tank. At a called meeting of the board last Thursday afternoon the (See TANK, page 4)

FINAL SERVICES

The final August Union worship services of the Warrenton Baptist Church and Wesley Memorial Methodist Church will be held at the Baptist Church on Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. Dr. D. N. McPharlin of Raleigh will be the guest preacher. The public is invited.

Mrs. Robert Scott is visiting her daughter, Mrs. George White, in Alexandria, Va.

Rites For Dr. Fitts

Held Here Wednesday

Funeral services for Dr. Nathan Palmer Fitts, 68, were conducted at Blaylock's Funeral Home on Wednesday at 3 p. m. by the Rev. C. J. Bradner of Greenville. Burial was in Fairview Cemetery.

Dr. Fitts, a graduate of William and Mary College of Virginia, died Tuesday morning at the Veterans Hospital in Durham.

He is survived by one sister, Mrs. V. T. Lamm of Warrenton and one brother, the Rev. Robert N. Fitts of Oxford.

In Case of Fire

In case of a rural fire, citizens are asked to call 257-3456

Allen King, assistant chief of the Warrenton Rural Fire Department, said yesterday that delay caused by persons calling the Warrenton Police Station instead of the Rural Fire Department causes unnecessary delay. A delay while the call is being relayed can cause the loss of valuable minutes with tragic results, King said. He asks that readers clip the number from this article and paste it on their telephones.

John Graham Booster Tickets Placed On Sale

Booster tickets for John Graham High School athletic events are now on sale and may be purchased from a number of Booster members at \$10.00 each. The tickets entitle the owner to attend all home games of football, basketball and baseball without further charge.

The tickets were distributed to members to sell at a dutch supper of barbecue and stew on the terrace of the Warrenton Country Club last Friday night. Nat White, Boosters president, presided over the meeting. Edward Rooker asked the blessing.

The program consisted of brief remarks on the prospects for football by Coach Jimmie Webb and boy's basketball by Coach Jon Burwell, who received a bit of ribbing over his TV appearance in connection with the fire here last week. Both coaches were presented by Fred Bartholomew, principal of the John Graham High School.

Coach Webb said that he did not yet know what the results of the football team would be this season. This year, he said, the team had more weight, but less speed than last year and that he was working on the speed angle in the line. A key factor would be how a new quarterback would develop. John Graham's starting quarterback, Robert Louis Shearin, graduated last spring. Webb said that his replacement, Edward Shearin is showing good promise. He invited those present to come by the school after the game and watch practice.

Webb said that John Graham would open its season at Louisburg on Sept. 1 with a team coached by John Graham player Tommie Twitty, and the following week would play Weldon here in its first home (See TICKETS, page 2)

Warren County Schools To Begin Year's Work On Next Thursday

Warren County schools will begin their 1967-68 school year on Wednesday, Aug. 30, with orientation for all students from 9 a. m. to 11 a. m.

The first full day, Thursday, Aug. 31, will take in at 8:20 a. m. and dismiss at 3:15 p. m. Lunch will be served at the schools on Thursday. Students and teachers will have Monday, Sept. 3 Labor Day, as a holiday.

J. Roger Peeler, Superintendent of Schools, said yesterday that all out-of-state students who have moved here and have not filled out a choice of school form, may obtain these forms from the office of

the Superintendent of Schools or from the principal's office. Peeler said that a health examination is required of all beginning pupils and that those who do not have a health certificate may obtain one from the office of Dr. Tom Holt at Warrenton on Friday, Sept. 1. He said that the cost of these examinations are \$5.00 where parents of pupils are able to pay. The cost to indigent pupils will be paid by ESEA.

Faculty Completed At John Graham

With the employment of two English teachers last week, the faculty at John Graham High School has been completed, Fred Bartholomew, principal, announced yesterday.

Also employed to head the Industrial Cooperative Training program is Arthur Williams of Warrenton, who succeeds Bernard Thompson, who resigned to accept a position as director of the Warren County Recreational Center. Williams is a graduate of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and has done post graduate work at N. C. State University.

The new English teachers employed are Miss Edwina

Rooker and Edgar Outland.

Miss Rooker, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Rooker of Warrenton, for several years has been teaching at Virginia Beach, Va., where she was chairman of the English Department. She attended John Graham High School and was graduated from high school at Salem Academy at Winston-Salem. She is a graduate of Duke University where she did her undergraduate work, and has done post-graduate work at both Duke and the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

Outland, 23, a native of Northampton County, is a graduate of Rich Square High School and Campbell College, where he majored in English and minored in social studies. He has been particularly active in Boy Scout work in his area. This is his first year as a teacher.

Other members of the faculty, in addition to Principal Bartholomew, who have returned to their teaching jobs here, are:

Jon L. Burwell, Science; Mrs. Nancy H. Williams, Science; Arthur F. Smoot, Science; Miss Emily B. Person, Home Economics; Harold Stegall, Agriculture; Mrs. Rachel Fishel, Guidance; Mrs. Elba Banzet, Librarian; Mrs. Katherine Mustian, Mrs. Nancy P. Blankenship, Mrs. Mamie L. King and Mrs. Annie Lee Drake, Elementary Teachers.

Mrs. Patsy K. Pierce, French; Mrs. Mary W. Shields, Business; James L. Soufas, Business; Jimmie Webb, Math; Mrs. Linda H. Dill, Math; Robert O. Stephens, English; Miss Martha Wilson, Social Studies; Wayne Plaster, Health and Physical Education; Miss Jo Ellen McLean, English.

EPISCOPAL SERVICES

The Rev. Edwin T. Williams, rector of St. Barnabas's Episcopal Church in Dillon, S. C., will be the guest minister at an evening service on Wednesday, Aug. 30, at 8 o'clock when Holy Communion will be celebrated.

The Rev. R. C. Baird, chaplain at St. Mary's Junior College in Raleigh, will conduct morning prayer at 11 o'clock on Sunday morning, Sept. 3, with no communion.

Edgar Wood, Jr., Is Licensed As CPA

Edgar R. Wood, Jr., of Greensboro, has received his CPA license, it was learned here this week. For the past two years he has been associated with Merrick-Mitchell CPA firm in Greensboro.

Wood, the son of Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Wood of Warrenton, is a graduate of John Graham High School at Warrenton and an honor graduate of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. In 1964 he received a cash award for the second best essay on accounting. He is a member of Beta Gamma Sigma honorary society at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

He is married to the former Miss Betsy Baxter of Warrenton. They have two children, Eddie, III, 5, and Shelley, 13 months.

Change In Time Of Manson Mail Receipt

Due to a recent change in receipt of mail at the Manson postoffice, the rural carrier schedule will be changed, effective Aug. 26, Ellis Fleming, Postmaster, announced yesterday.

Carriers will be approximately 30 minutes earlier than the present schedule, he said.

Fleming reminds patrons that the Manson postoffice will close at noon on Saturday.

IN HOSPITAL

Patients in Warren General Hospital on Wednesday afternoon were:

Mamie Rooker, Charlie Keeter, Jessie Haskins, Bessie King, Jesse Gardner, Grady Moseley, James Willis, Walker Burwell, Selma Conn, John Waddell, Billy Hawks, Lillie Bell Goode and baby girl, Anne Duncan, Melvin Conner, Waite Pitchford, Henry Conner, Johnny Johnson, Robert Reeves, Harvey Williams, Clara Fleming, Ellen Alston, Glenda Perry, Cora Christmas, Julia Davis, Paul Reynolds, Lee Rogers Solomon, Claude Bottoms, Nora Purdy, Costello Reid, Robert Jacobs.

TO MEET

The Norlina Athletic Association will hold a meeting in the Norlina High School building on Monday night at 8 o'clock, Hal Paschall, president, announced yesterday. Paschall said that this is an important meeting and urges all members to be present.

Mrs. Leonard Daniel Becomes Librarian

Mrs. Leonard Daniel has accepted a position as librarian at the Warren County Memorial Library, succeeding Miss Georgie Tarwater, who retired after 29 years service.

Miss Tarwater's resignation was to have become effective at the end of April, but consented to serve until her replacement could be named. She was not replaced until the end of July when Mrs. Daniel was chosen for the position.

Used Storage Bins To Be Offered For Sale Here

The U. S. Department of Agriculture is moving grain storage bins from the Midwest into North Carolina and other southeastern states where they will be sold on an auction or sealed bid basis.

The truckloads of bins (10 bins per truck) have been ordered for Warren County, T. E. Watson, ASCS office manager, said yesterday.

Watson said that the bins will be a big help to the storage - short Southeast, especially this year when huge crops of corn and soybeans are expected. A farmer must have storage to qualify for price support loans.

The bins being brought in are 3,250 bushel capacity. They are 10 years old but in excellent condition, according

to Weldon B. Denny, State Executive Director of the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service. The bins are bringing a minimum of \$475 - \$500 each. New they would cost around \$900.

Bins were in short supply last year. USDA officials hope to stimulate both the production and purchase of new bins by making available the used bins from the Midwest.

"We encourage farmers to continue buying grain bins and dryers from their local dealers and to purchase government bins as a supplement where needed," Denny said.

Eligible farmers may borrow through ASCS up to 85 per cent of the cost of a grain storer facility or grain drying equipment.



An added attraction to be presented at the Warrenton Jaycee Beauty Pageant at John Graham High School tonight.

All In Readiness For Beauty Contest

All is in readiness for the Warren County Jaycees Beauty Pageant which will be held at the John Graham School auditorium tonight (Friday) beginning at 8 o'clock when eight girls will contend for the title of "Miss Warren County."

The winner will be crowned by Miss Kay Fair, 1966 "Miss Warren County." Also expected to attend the pageant

is "Miss Roanoke Rapids." David Proctor, publicity chairman, said yesterday that additional attractions have been added for tonight's program. Among these will be the performance of the Modes and ten girls modeling bikini swim suits.

The eight girls who will seek the crown tonight are Hazel May King, Deborah Kay Joyner, Gayle Harmon, Linda Faye Norwood, Sandra Faye Davis,

Janis Gayle Paynter, Patricia Satterwhite, Rebecca Elizabeth King.

Proctor said that the Jaycees are looking for each and every one to be present tonight to support the girl of his or her choice.

Tickets may be purchased from Jaycee members or at the door for \$1.50 for adults, and \$1.00 for children through High School.