

Upper picture shows unburnable material at Warrenton trash dump. In the bottom picture Howard Salmon, Chief of Police, inspects debris piled in front of pit. This material has to be bulldozed over edge of ravine where trash burns.



Disposal Of Trash Big Problem For Town Of Warrenton Officials

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The Town of Warrenton has growing pains! Unfortunately however, the pains are not due to the population explosion or to any increase in Warrenton's population. The outlying area adjacent to Warrenton has grown considerably. Warrenton has made no significant change in its territorial boundaries within the lifetime of our oldest citizens.

We have in recent years extended the town's water mains to serve a large number of citizens and business firms outside our town boundaries. Today the Town of Warrenton water system serves customers as far out on U. S. 401 north as the Eastern Motor Lines and Bullock Oil Company plants. On

U. S. Highway 158 - business the town water mains have been laid as far as the residence of Mrs. Hannah Cannady on the road to Macon.

Within the past few weeks service has been provided for citizens on the loop road leading off U. S. 158 to Bute Street Extension. On the Liberia and country club road service extends to the Warren Recreation Club. On the Baltimore road or Halifax Street extension service is provided as far out as the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Halthcock. South on U. S. Highway #401 water has been provided as far south as the residence of Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Neal. On West Franklin Street the water line runs to the residence of Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Newell. Also on the old Airport road town water serves a large number of customers as far out as the residence of Mr. and Mrs. R. Irving Lancaster.

The growing pains we are experiencing at Town Hall are due to the fact that a significant percent of our out of town water customers as well as a considerable number of citizens and business firms throughout the county are using the Town of Warrenton garbage disposal dump for the disposal of their refuse. This entails a considerable amount of expense on the part of the Town of Warrenton and provides a county-wide service paid for entirely by the Town of Warrenton. Unfortunately, Warrenton, unlike a large number of other towns and

cities in North Carolina, does not have a County-City garbage dump or landfill operated and maintained jointly by the County and the City - on a cooperative and cost sharing basis.

Just last week the town spent several hundred dollars for crushed stone to stabilize the access road to its dump. The town presently is in the process of purchasing additional land adjacent to its present dump site. Several times yearly we have to engage bulldozer operators to clear garbage placed in unauthorized areas.

The Commissioners of the Town of Warrenton have no present desire, plans, or intention to restrict the use of its garbage disposal site and leave its out-of-town friends and business firms with no place to dispose of their refuse since the Warren County governing body does not provide one. It must, however, request and insist that no non-inflammable items or objects be placed on its dump site or along the access road leading to it and that all authorized flammable and decaying refuse be dumped inside the pit incinerator.

Hopefully all those availing themselves of this service provided by the Town of Warrenton for its out-of-town friends will abide by the ordinance of the town in order that the town governing body may be able to continue to provide such service.

The blossoming of a flower is called inflorescence.

Congressman

L. H. FOUNTAIN

Reports

TO THE PEOPLE



WASHINGTON, D. C. - In a day and time when many feel we are being polled and questioned to death, the invasion of privacy by governmental agencies has become a matter of serious concern.

This was recently the subject of debate in the House of Representatives when we passed a bill requiring a more responsible Census in 1980. This action was prompted by considerable public discussion of the questions to be asked next year on the 1970 Census.

As you recall, some of the questions to be asked on the 1970 Census were extremely personal and controversial. Although it was too late to make all of the changes we wanted in the 1970 Census, pressure from the general public and subsequently from Members of Congress prompted the Census Bureau to revise some questions and substantially reduce the number of people who will be required to answer long questionnaires.

As it now stands in the upcoming 1970 Census, most people will be asked to answer only 25 basic questions. Fifteen per cent will be asked to complete a 78-question form and five per cent a 91-question form. Even for so small a number of people these are still too many questions.

The legislation we passed, effective with the Census in 1980, is intended to guarantee the right to privacy of our citizens and at the same time enable government and society to secure essential information needed for responsible and intelligent decision making in these difficult times.

We lost by a very close vote an amendment limiting mandatory Census questions to six and making answers to purely personal questions completely voluntary.

Nonetheless, the bill we passed, more tightly insures the confidentiality of information obtained by the U. S. Census. It also eliminates the jail sentence penalty for people who refuse to answer Census questions. While no one has ever been put in jail under this law, even the possibility of it was strongly resented by our people.

I believe most of us see the need for a Census. Since the first Census in 1790, much of the information has been highly useful. Many have established their eligibility for Social Security by getting their ages from the Census Bureau. Under many Federal programs, distribution of funds to local and state governments and planning for the future are based on data obtainable only from the Census Bureau. State and local governments also need the information.

Tornado

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Mrs. Bullock said that she was in the strip room working on tobacco when it grew so dark that she could no longer sort the tobacco. About this time, she said she felt the strip room tremble and she fled to her house which was out of the path of the tornado. She said she could not say that she was either nervous or excited; she just felt very funny.

From Vaughan towards Eaton Ferry for more than a mile there was no sign of any storm, and then one could see trees uprooted and debris, for a short distance. Near Grey's Store Albert Bugg was supervising the salvaging of a number of bales of hay left when the barn was blown away.

Ned Gray and Albert (Bony) Gray were at the store when I arrived. Bony was on the porch and Ned was inside. Ned said that he was at the lake fishing when the storm struck his store. Bony was at the store at the time. "Bony can't hear," he said, "but he sees everything." Ned said Sam Meadors, driver of Pine State Dairy truck was at the store at the time, and that the winds blew out the windshield of the truck and scattered money and records which have not been recovered. He said he believes a thousand

Our private enterprise system makes good use of the information published by the Bureau of the Census. Much of it ultimately benefits the consuming public.

To insure that only proper questions are asked in the future, the bill provides that three years before the 1980 Census, the Secretary of Commerce must submit the questions proposed for that Census to the Post Office and Civil Service Committees of the Congress for consideration. After being publicly studied for one year, the committees will notify the Secretary of approval, rejection or revision of the proposed questions. This enables the duly elected representatives of the people to express their will.

Even though a Census of the population and other important items is needed and will still be taken every ten years, the personal and constitutional right of privacy of our people will and must be protected. We need less Governmental snooping—not more.

cars had stopped at their store since the tornado struck. Numbers were there at the time.

I raised my voice but to no avail. Bony said that he could not hear. "Just tell me what happened," I wrote on a pad. And Bony told me.

Bony said it suddenly grew very dark, darker than he had ever seen it in the day time. He said Sam Meadors was in the store at the time and as the storm approached Sam laid down on the floor behind the counter and began to pray. He told nothing of his own reactions, only that the storm lasted hardly more than five minutes. I could not question him for further details.

A short distance down the road towards the bridge, across the road, carpenters were working on the roof of the home of William R. Boyd, and a number of new windows were stacked nearby. Mrs. Boyd said that she was in the back of the house ironing and watching a quiz program on TV when the tornado struck. In the distance she could hear thunder and as she has a terror of lightning she left the door open to hear if the thunder storm came closer. Suddenly she saw glass flying across the main part of the house as the wind blew out the windows. She said it was not raining at the time and she heard no great amount of noise. Mrs. Boyd said it lasted about five minutes and she was not frightened as it happened so quickly.

W. N. Longmire, manager of Eaton Ferry Marina, made no bones about it. As he saw the winds ripping into the pines scarcely more than a hundred yards away and heard a noise like a score of jets passing he said he was scared; scared worse than he had ever been in his life. He said he was still scared when the Roanoke Rapids Radio station called him and was not able to talk very clearly. "I heard, he said, "that the radio station made a tape of my account and ran it that way."

A day later one could see the path cut by the tornado into the trees as Longmire watched. One noticed that the path of destruction did not continue the entire depth of the forest, but lifted over the trees and cross-

ed the lake. Longmire said that Johnny Leonard was under the bridge fishing at the time, and Leonard said that the storm lifted a large sheet of water 50 feet high as it crossed the lake.

Sunday afternoon a steady stream of cars were going and coming on the road from Vaughan to the bridge. It has been that way ever since the tornado struck, Longmire said. He added, "It has been like a three-ring circus."

But it was no circus to those whose property was struck and who knew five minutes of terror as the tornado ripped past.

Hemmings Was On Edge Of Tornado

"If I had turned at Vaughan instead of keeping straight down 158 I would have been in the teeth of the tornado," Jim D. Hemmings, Extension associate agricultural agent, said Friday following the tornado that caused considerable damage near Eaton's Ferry the previous afternoon.

While Hemmings missed the tornado, he did not miss the storm that spewed the tornado. As he was driving towards Vaughan in a blinding rain, a small limb fell behind his windshield wipers and broke them off. "It was dark and rain was falling in gusts," he said. Unable to see to drive safely, Hemmings pulled off the road a short distance this side of Vaughan and waited out the storm. He said that there was a roaring sound with the rain.

After the rain had lifted,

Hemmings continued down 158 to Bill Skinner's and turned left taking the road by Enterprise that leads by Salmon's Landing to the Eaton Ferry Road. He said when he neared the Eaton

Ferry Road his path was blocked by fallen trees, two-by-fours, downed wires and glass. The saxophone is a musical instrument of the oboe class made with a metal tube.

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