

Better Telephone Service Promised

Warrenton may expect better telephone services in the future.

That is the promise made by A. N. Mason, general plant manager for the Carolina Telephone and Telegraph Company, to the board of town commissioners on Thursday afternoon of last week.

Mason appeared before the commissioners at a called session with four other officials of the telephone company to hear complaints of poor telephone service at Warrenton. These officials were J. K. Avent, vice president; Conrad Logan, general commercial manager; Linwood Langley, commercial supervisor; and L. E. Tutten, plant manager.

The telephone officials heard Mayor W. A. Miles cite a number of complaints about poor service; heard Commissioner A. C. Blalock cite cases where entire blocks of the system had been out of order on several occasions; heard Commissioner Walker Burwell charge that the service had been poor since former manager Street Richardson was removed from the town, cite failures in the central office due to lack of attention, and tell of cases where he had been hurt by poor telephone service.

Blalock summed up the complaints by saying that the service has been "frankly disgraceful."

Mason told the commissioners that they had a legitimate complaint, apologized for the condition and promised that Warrenton would have better service from now on.

Mason said that he deplored the fact that such conditions had mushroomed at Warrenton, that his company wanted to give good service, and that he as production manager, is determined that Warrenton shall have good service.

Much of the condition came about here, Mason said, because telephone subscribers failed to report phone trouble. "If subscribers don't complain," he said, "we never know that the service is bad."

Mason said that it would be a favor to the telephone company if any subscriber having trouble with his phone would promptly dial 0, and report the trouble.

Mayor Miles, at the conclusion of the meeting, requested this newspaper to stress the importance of subscribers promptly reporting phone trouble.

Mac Bullock, president of the Warrenton Lions Club, was present at the meeting to lodge a complaint on behalf of his club. The president of the Rotary Club failed to appear at the meeting because the club's complaint had been forwarded to the company's main office.

White Appointed Assistant Solicitor

Charles M. White, III, solicitor of Warren County Recorder's Court, was on Monday named assistant solicitor of the Superior Court with jurisdiction in Warren County.

His salary was set at \$40.00 per month for the remainder of the fiscal year.

White's duties will be to assist Solicitor W. H. S. Burwyn, Jr., in the preparation and prosecution of cases in criminal terms of Superior Court. Since many of the cases reach Superior Court on appeal from Recorder's Court, White is familiar with these cases when they reach Superior Court, and in addition, being a resident attorney, can do much to prepare cases before the arrival of the solicitor in the county.

The board of county commissioners, who made the appointment, expressed the view that through expediting cases that White will more than save his salary to the county.

The commissioners awarded the labor contract for painting the exterior of the court house to William A. Thompson, low bidder on the contract. Paint for the job will be purchased through state contract.

C. M. Bullock was appointed Warren County Fire Marshall. He will serve without pay.

The board ordered that James D. Gilliland be paid \$145.70 for attorney's fee and expenses for procuring Social Security payments for two minor children of Haywood Balthrop. Julian Farrar, Welfare Superintendent, appeared before the board with Gilliland.



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land. He said that Gilliland had taken necessary legal steps to place the children on Social Security rolls and as a result the county was saving about \$80.00 a month in welfare payments. Farrar said his department had no funds with which to pay Gilliland.

Gilliland, who had supporting vouchers, said that he had spent considerable time working on the case, that he had advanced \$120.70 for necessary expenses, and that he had added an attorney's fee of \$50.00, which he felt was very modest. He said that he would accept the cost and whatever fee the board decided to give him, and added that if the board felt he was due nothing, he would accept the verdict.

After Gilliland had left the room and a short discussion, the commissioners ordered that (See WHITE, page 12)

Highway Meeting To Be Held At Louisburg On Sept. 16th.

LOUISBURG — A public hearing on important road matters in the Fifth Highway Division will be held here next Wednesday, Sept. 16, according to Division Engineer J. W. Jenkins.

The meeting, to which city and county officials and the general public are invited, will be held at the Franklin County Courthouse, beginning at 10 a. m. The meeting will adjourn at 12 noon for lunch and reconvene at 2 p. m., Jenkins said.

This is one in a series of meetings being held in the Fifth Division, which is composed of Durham, Franklin, Granville, Person, Wake, Vance and Warren Counties.

Persons who wish to present

road requests or to talk over road problems with Fifth Division Highway personnel are urged to attend.

Revival To Be Held At Church Of God

Revival services will begin at the Church of God, North Main Street in Warrenton, on Sunday night at 7:30 and will continue each night thereafter for two weeks.

The Rev. Henry J. Smith of Goldsboro will be the guest speaker. He attended Lee College in Cleveland, Tenn., and Atlantic Christian College in Wilson.

The public is invited to attend.



Warren County, circa 1895. From THE COUNTY OF WARREN, NORTH CAROLINA, 1586-1917 by Manly Wade Wellman. The University of North Carolina Press.

This picture depicting life in Warren County about 1895, is among several appearing in a history of Warren County written by noted North Carolina author and historian, Manly Wade Wellman. "The County of Warren", is printed by the University of North Carolina Press and will be released September 26.

Warren County Subject Of New Book Printed By UNC Press

CHAPEL HILL — Warren County is a storehouse rich in early American history and tradition; in the past it was a contributor to North Carolina and to the young United States. This tradition has not been lost in the present.

All of this history of Warren County—its settlers, its geography, its contributions—is included in a new book, "The County of Warren" by Manly Wade Wellman, noted author and historian and published by the University of North Carolina Press.

It will be released September 26.

Wellman's account traces

Warren County from its earliest beginning, when the land was densely forested and the sole property of the Tuscaroro Indians. He quotes from the reports of Edward Bland, who in an early journey from Fort Henry, now site of Petersburg, Va., probably touched on what is now Warren County.

Those reports told of a rich and fertile soil and of the game and timber to be found in the tall virgin forest.

In his book, the people, the great and the small, relive colonial times in early North Carolina, telling the story of the era when Warren set the pace for the entire state in

culture, gallantry and political leadership.

Warren County, in name 180 years old, is today home for about 25,000 persons living on its 443 square miles. Tobacco is its chief money crop with cotton and cucumbers the next most profitable in that order.

"The County of Warren" is Wellman's twenty-fifth book. Notable among his previous ones have been his biography of Wade Hampton, "Giant in Grey," and "They Took Their Stand," "Rebel's Boast," "Dead and Gone," and "The Life and Times of Sir Archie." Wellman, who lives in Chapel Hill, is currently working on a new novel, "The Liers in Wait."

Right Man In Wrong Place

By BIGNALL JONES

Hundreds of Warren County citizens know A. P. Rodwell of Warren Plains and know that he worked for many years at the Warren Plains depot. I know it, have known it for years, and have talked with him in his office at Warren Plains.

Perhaps I have, but I can not recollect ever talking to him at Norlina. Neither have I ever associated him with Norlina in any way. That is until last week I wrote an article for this newspaper telling of his retirement as Seaboard agent. I wrote "Arthur P. Rodwell, veteran agent of the Seaboard Railway at Norlina, retired on Monday, his 70th birthday."

Rodwell has been connected with the Seaboard for 54 years, 53 of which had been spent at Norlina.

Why I should have written Norlina mystifies me, and your guess at the reason is as good as mine.

My sincere apologies are offered to Mr. Rodwell for putting him in the wrong town. Happily the headline, which I also wrote, put him in the proper place.

Sunday School To Reopen At 9:45

The Sunday School of Emmanuel Episcopal Church, which has been closed for the past two months, will reopen on Sunday morning at 9:45 a. m., the Rev. Howard Hartzell, rector, announced yesterday.

Mr. Hartzell also said that Morning Prayer and sermon would be held at the church at 11 a. m. and that the Celebration of the Holy Communion would be held at the Church of the Good Shepherd at Ridgeway on Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

P. T. A. To Meet
A meeting of the John Graham High School and Mariam Boyd P. T. A. will be held in the high school auditorium on Tuesday night, September 15, at 8:00. All patrons are urged to attend.

Holds Services
The Rev. Howard Hartzell held services in St. John's Episcopal Church, Williamsboro, on Sunday afternoon.

Small Colleges Hold Promise, Speaker Says

Prospective college students to turn students away from their doors.

Many students, unable to attend the larger colleges, have received degrees from the smaller schools, and find that this degree serves adequately as a stepping-stone to a good job.

Dr. Thompson, who also told of the procedures which a youngster should go through in trying to obtain a scholarship, was introduced by Vice-President Van Jones. Jaycee Charles Katzenstein presided over the supper meeting held at the Hotel Warren.

Guests at the meeting included S. A. Warlick, a guest of Monroe Gardner, and Howell Steed and J. F. Hockaday, guests of Howard Jones. J. R. Peeler and the Rev. John R. Link were special guests of the club.

Judge Hobgood Speaker At Inez Community Meeting

Judge Hamilton Hobgood of Louisburg was the guest speaker at the regular monthly meeting of the Inez Community Club on Monday night at the Inez Club House.

James Harris, president, presided over the meeting. Judge Hobgood was presented by Charles M. White, III, Warrenton attorney.

Judge Hobgood pointed out specific fields of opportunity to increase the income of the citizens of the Inez community.

After making a few preliminary remarks about his work on the bench, Judge Hobgood said that the people of Inez might lose their shirts in building a factory for outsiders to operate, but they might develop their own businesses. He suggested truck farming, sweet potato and cucumber markets, freezer locker storage and a cannery that would specialize in items which Inez could grow and market as well as anyone. He suggested that cans or frozen packages be labeled with an attractive pic-

ture of a pretty farm girl and called "Inez Warren" black-eye peas or sweet potato pie mix.

Other suggestions made by Judge Hobgood included the development of a feed-seed-grain mill, a nursery, marketing of scuppernong grapes, a pheasant game shooting preserve, a small lake for summer cottages for elderly couples, small boat building, dog breeding and training, fishing and summer camps. He said that all these were home grown businesses, starting small and expanding, but there were two (See HOBGOOD, page 12)

September Term Of Court Expected To Adjourn Today

The September criminal term of Warren County Superior Court will, in all probability, adjourn this morning (Friday), court officials indicated shortly after noon yesterday as this paper went to press.

Although both cases docketed for trial today were continued earlier in the week, court observers expressed the belief that the final case would not be called until this morning.

The term convened on Tuesday with Judge Hamilton Hobgood of Louisburg presiding.

The criminal term began a day later than usual because of the Labor Day holiday observed by the court.

Few cases held any spectator interest, and most of the 24 cases disposed of by noon Thursday were tried before a partially-filled courtroom.

Five cases had been continued when this paper went to press and only two cases reached the jury.

In one of the three jury cases, Robert B. Alston, charged with assault, was found not guilty after the twelve-man

jury heard testimony brought out by Alston's attorney, W. W. Taylor, Jr., of Warrenton, and by Solicitor W. H. S. Burwyn, Jr., of Woodland.

A jury heard the case of Albert Alston, charged with possession, and returned a verdict of guilty. Alston was given a six-months suspended sentence and fined \$250 and costs.

In the other jury case, El-nora Jones, Negro of near the Vicksboro community, accused of assaulting Green Abbott and his teenage daughter on their farm earlier this year, was found guilty by the jury.

Testimony brought out by the state revealed that the Jones woman threatened Abbott once with a shotgun and later threatened his daughter with a stick. Both charges were consolidated for trial.

El-nora Jones contended, through her attorney, Charles Williamson of Henderson, that she was only attempting to protect her twelve children who were playing in the yard (See COURT, page 12)

Boy, 7, Catches Foot, Dies In Rising Pond

A 7-year-old Palmer Springs, Va., boy drowned Sunday when he caught his foot in a root at the edge of flooding pond and the water rose before he could free himself.

The Necklenburg County youth was Cauley Bunch Newell, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Newell of Palmer Springs.

He and his brother James, 9, were playing beside the pond which is fed from the spillway of Kerr dam on Kerr Lake. A five-inch rainfall had started the water rising rapidly in

the pond just before he caught his foot.

The older brother said he was unable to release the younger boy and ran for help. When help arrived, the youngster was freed and artificial respiration was attempted without success.

The boy is also survived by his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Newell of Palmer Springs, Va.

Funeral services were held at 3 p. m. Tuesday at Union Chapel Methodist Church, with burial in the church cemetery.

Injuries To Girl Minor As Car Rams Into School Bus

An eight-year-old Negro girl, en route to school, received minor injuries on Friday morning of last week when a motorist rammed her car into the side of a school bus near Wise.

Cynthia Goode received an injury of the mouth after a car driven by 17-year-old Eliza Anita Moss cut into the front of the bus as she attempted to pass. Both vehicles ran off the highway one-half mile south of the North Warren High School where the Moss

girl is a student.

The bus, en route to the same school, was driven by Vernard Marla, 18, of near Wise.

Patrolman R. A. Clark of Norlina, who investigated the early morning accident, charged the Moss girl with improper passing.

The bus was loaded at the time of the accident but only the Goode child, who was thrown against the bus dashboard, received injury.

During Labor Day Weekend

Check Points Established; Patrol Reports Only One Highway Mishap

The establishment of check-points and saturations in various places throughout Warren County apparently paid off in a big way for members of the State Highway Patrol during the Labor Day weekend.

Only one wreck was reported, with two minor injuries, to local patrolmen R. A. Clark of Norlina and Vernon R. Vaughan of Warrenton.

The patrolmen set up check-points on many of the county's busy highways and checked approximately 500 automobiles during the course of the holiday weekend.

In the only wreck reported to the patrolmen, two soldiers, stationed at Fort Bragg and en route to their homes in Pennsylvania, received superficial injuries when their automobile was involved in a collision north of Wise on US Highway One.

The accident occurred at approximately 10:45 Friday night just north of the Wise community limits.

Patrolman Clark said that a car driven by Naim Hakimbaba, a Peruvian exchange student enroute to Raleigh, N. C. State College, smashed into the car driven by the soldiers. Damage to both vehicles was in the neighborhood of \$500, Clark reported.

The patrolman said that Hakimbaba told him that an automobile's headlights blinded him, forcing him to lose control of his car and that he swerved into the path of the automobile containing the soldiers.

Hakimbaba was charged with reckless driving by the patrolman.

Mrs. J. A. Fuiterez and three children of Chapel Hill were guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Powell for several days last week.

Gym Will Be Finished By Jan. 1st, Foreman Tells Rotarians On Tues.

The foreman of the construction crew currently building the gymnasium at the John Graham High School here said Tuesday night that he hopes to "turn the keys to the completed structure to the county board of education by January 1."

Lester Long, a native of Roxboro, who heads the construction crew brought here by Contractor G. W. Kane to erect the new structure, told members of the Warrenton Rotary Club that work is now progressing rapidly on the \$160,000 building.

construction during much of the late summer. Long told the Rotarians, but is now proceeding according to plan.

Long was introduced to members of the club, gathered at Hotel Warren for their weekly supper meeting, by Frank Reams, program chairman.

Following Long's talk, President Roy Dixon, stressed that every member of the club make an effort to attend the meeting set for Tuesday night when Ford Davis of Zebulon, district governor, will be the guest speaker.



DR. CHARLES T. WIMBISH

Optometrist To Conduct Practice With Dr. Wiggins

Dr. Charles T. Wimbish, a graduate of the University of North Carolina and a graduate of the Southern College of Optometry, has begun the practice of optometry in Warrenton.

Dr. Wimbish, a native of Leaksville, will be associated in practice with Dr. Joseph F. Wiggins of Henderson. His office is in the professional building on E. Market Street.

Currently living in Weldon, Dr. Wimbish has attended various seminars on contact lenses and worked with them while a student of optometry in Memphis, Tenn.

He is married to the former Rebecca Parks Stevenson of Norlina. They have one child, 14-months-old Charles T. Wimbish, Jr.

Beauty, Fashion Show To Be Held

A Beauty and Fashion Show will be the highlight of a dinner meeting to be held at Hotel Warren on September 17, presented by the Warrenton Woman's Club. Dinner will be served at 7:00, followed by the program at 7:45.

Fashions will be from Marguerite's Style Shop, hair styles by Limer's Beauty Shop, The Beauty Box, Warrenton Beauty Shop and Fair's Beauty Shop and cosmetics by Hunter Drug Co. and Boyce Drug Co.

Shearin Buys Seafood Market

Former sheriff Roy V. Shearin yesterday began the operation of his own business at Warrenton.

He has purchased the Warren Seafood Market on Market Street from J. Morris Grissom of Henderson, who has been operating the market here each Thursday, Friday and Saturday for several months.

Shearin said that he would also operate the market for the last three days in the week and that he would continue to carry a line of fine seafood.