



Officers for the 15th District North Carolina Organization of Home Demonstration Clubs were installed at a meeting here on Wednesday. They were, left to right, Mrs. George Winston of Granville County, corresponding secretary; Mrs. H. K. Baker of Franklin County, recording secretary; Mrs. James C. Harris of Vance County, vice chairman; Mrs. James C. Harris of Warren County, chairman; and Mrs. D. T. Ayseue of Vance County, installation officer. (Henderson Daily Dispatch Photo)

Mrs. J. C. Harris Elected Chairman Of 15th District HD Club Women

Mrs. James C. Harris of Inez is the new chairman of the 15th district North Carolina Organization of Home Demonstration Clubs.

Mrs. Harris, who succeeds Mrs. R. W. Harris of Granville County as district chairman, was elected and installed at the spring district meeting held here on Wednesday. Mrs. D. T. Ayseue of Vance County was the installation officer.

Other officers installed were Mrs. Walter Haun of Vance County, vice chairman; Mrs. H. K. Baker of Franklin County, recording secretary; and Mrs. George Winston of Granville County, corresponding secretary.

The officers were installed at an afternoon session at the John Graham High School auditorium following lunch at the Wesley Memorial Methodist Church served by the Warren County Club members. Some 290 persons were present for the meal.

The meeting opened at the school auditorium at 10 a. m. with Mrs. R. W. Harris, retiring chairman, presiding, and was featured by an address by the Rev. Samuel L. Sox, pastor of the First Lutheran Church of Greensboro. He was presented by Mrs. James C. Harris.

Using as his subject, "Such As I Have, I Give," Mr. Sox pointed out that the rewards of a successful life lies in giving rather than having. "It is not what we possess but

what possesses us," he said. There is danger, he added, in a homemaker becoming so concerned with a fine home and keeping it spotless that it leads to neglect of her husband and other members of the family and the neglect of many needful things. This is a case of a fine home owning a woman instead of a woman owning a fine home.

We should not dedicate our life to the acquisition of material things but should learn to give ourselves in service to our fellowman.

"We should love people and use things and not love things and use people," the speaker said, "things will pass away but people will go on forever. And our noblest contribution is in the way we deal with people."

Prior to Mr. Sox's talk, the devotions were given by Mrs. C. P. Pope, secretary-treasurer of the Warren County Council. Mrs. J. C. Salmon, president of the Warren County Council, welcomed the guests and Mrs. T. R. Smith of Vance County responded.

J. F. Hockaday, principal, welcomed the women to the John Graham school, and Alfred J. Ellington, a member of the board of county commissioners, expressed a welcome on behalf of the county. The Rev. Troy Barrett, pastor of the Wesley Memorial Methodist Church, expressed a welcome and expressed his pleasure that lunch would be served at the church.

Cancer Drive To Begin In Warren County Monday

The American Cancer Society's educational and fund-raising crusade will begin in Warren County on Monday when a house-to-house canvass will be made in all sections of the county. W. E. Perry, Jr., county cancer crusade chairman, said yesterday.

Warren's quota this year is \$1700.

Perry yesterday released the names of citizens who would serve as drive chairmen in the five towns of the county. They are:

Warrenton — Business district, John Bruce Bell; east side, Mrs. W. W. Taylor, Jr.; west side, Mrs. J. T. Mitchiner.

Norlina — Business district, Graham Grissom; east side, Mrs. J. B. Bobbitt.

Macon — W. R. Drake.

Wise — Mrs. Hal White.

Littleton — Mrs. Wilton Browning, Jr.

Perry said that these chairmen would name assistants to help them in the canvass.

Warren County ministers have pledged their support to the drive. Perry said that these would offer special prayers for the success of the drive at the Sunday services.

Perry said that great progress has been made in the fight against cancer, but that much more remains to be done. He quoted figure showing that there are one million Americans alive today who have been cured of cancer. Twenty years ago there were only 180,000.

But there is more to the story. The Society considers "cured" only those alive and without evidence of the disease five years following diagnosis and treatment. By this standard, it is estimated that an additional 600,000 cancer patients diagnosed and treated within the last five years will live to enter the ranks of those cured. This means that today there are actually 600,000 men, women and children cured of cancer, although 600,000 will not formally be counted until five years from the time of treatment.

Twenty years ago, only one

Planting Within Allotment Farmer's Responsibility

Every year, some farmers in Warren County are greatly inconvenienced by having planted in excess of their allotment on one of the basic crops. W. S. Smiley, chairman of the ASC Committee, issued a reminder yesterday to all Warren County farmers that it is definitely their responsibility to plant within their acreage allotments.

Every year a few farmers over the county on having their acreage measured by ASC personnel find that they have overplanted. Many of these farmers, according to Smiley, pay additional money out of their pockets to have a representative of the ASC county committee witness this position of the excess acreage. Other farmers make a deposit with the ASC office to have officials revisit the farm and re-measure the acreage. In about every case, Smiley said, this is an unnecessary burden on the farmer's pocketbook, and in every case the time lost by these revisits to the farm is an inconvenience to the farmer.

"That's just one of the reasons the farmer should remember that it is his responsibility to plant within his acreage allotment," Smiley said. Another reason is that every time a farmer plants in excess of his allotment, he is wasting seed or plants, fertilizer, and labor.

Flue-cured tobacco farmers in this state have another responsibility, according to Smiley. The Department of Agriculture again this year is supporting the price of certain "discounted" tobacco varieties at one-half the normal support rate.

The responsibility for the identification of the variety of tobacco grown on the farm rests with the farmer, Smiley explained. Every farmer will be required to sign a certificate to the effect that he has or has not planted one of the discount varieties.

"ASC will take extensive steps to identify any tobacco of the discounted varieties that might be grown in this county. However, this does not alter the fact that the responsibility actually rests with the farmer growing the tobacco," Smiley said.

Henderson Shows Growth In Census

HENDERSON — Preliminary figures on the 1960 Federal census just completed for Henderson were revealed Tuesday by Guy Horner, crew leader, showing a population of 12,643 for the corporate area. The total is subject to changes upward, with the likelihood that the total will exceed 13,000 when adjustments are made.

Horner said 4,036 housing units were counted in the corporate community.

No information was available as to the population of the county.

Peeler Says Consolidation At J. G. Is Not Feasible

Mill Enlarging

Construction of a 6000 square feet addition at Peck Manufacturing Company Mill here is expected to be completed within about five weeks, Roy Dixon, plant superintendent, said yesterday.

Dixon said that it would probably be fall before new machinery is installed.

He said that the addition would mean an increase in production and in the labor force, but said the amount of labor increase could not be estimated until the type of machinery to be installed could be definitely determined.

Skinner Seeks Capps' Place On County Board

William T. Skinner, III, has filed as a candidate for a seat on the Board of County Commissioners from district 5, now represented by board chairman Amos I. Capps, who is a candidate for re-election in the May election.

Also filing before the end of the filing period last week was W. L. Peoples who seeks to become constable of Shocco Township. He will be opposed by Leroy Cheek, Negro, who announced his candidacy several weeks ago.

Other citizens who have filed for the position of Township Constable are: E. J. Burgess, Sandy Creek; W. Foster King, Fishing Creek; and O. D. Ellis, Jr., Sixpound.

Only three contests, other than those for state offices, will be before the electorate in the May Democratic Primary. They are the contest between W. R. Drake and Frank B. Banzet for the State Senate; Amos I. Capps and William T. Skinner, III, for commissioner; and W. L. Peoples and Leroy Cheek for Constable of Shocco Township.

Both gubernatorial candidates Malcolm Seawell and Beverly Lake announced the appointment of campaign managers in Warren County this week. John Kerr, Jr., will handle Lake's campaign, and H. M. Hardy will be in charge of Seawell's campaign.

Campaign managers for Terry Sanford and John Larkin in Warren County have not been released.

Farrar Says Move To Own Office Good Business

It is becoming apparent that the Warren County County Commissioners made a good business move in providing its own office space, Julian Farrar, Welfare Superintendent, stated this week.

Warren County was the first county in the state to build a separate office building for its Welfare Department and many counties have since followed suit getting the welfare departments out of court houses and rented buildings, often upstairs over business establishments.

Farrar said that in the past three years he has had requests from several welfare boards over the state for information about the building and how it was financed with County, State, and Federal funds. This week, Farrar said, Camden County Commissioners and the County Welfare Board requested the loan of our blueprints for study, and for information on financing construction.

Farrar said adequate, comfortable working quarters have been reflected in the Warren department many times in better service to our people and the ease with which work has been accomplished.

Mr. W. A. Baxter of Durham was a visitor here this week.

A suggestion that the three white high schools of Warren County be consolidated at the John Graham High School at Warrenton does not appear to be feasible, Roger Peeler, superintendent of Warren County schools, said here on Tuesday night.

He told a group assembled in the local school auditorium where he was guest speaker that while a survey team from the state had recommended such consolidation with the building of a new school between Norlina and Warrenton as an alternative plan, that consolidation at Warrenton did not appear to be practical.

Peeler said that opposition to the consolidation at Warrenton on part of patrons of the Norlina and Littleton school would doom the consolidation to failure even if the board of education were to exercise its authority to order such a consolidation. "I would hate to be the principal of such school," he said.

Successful consolidation must rest on the consent of the people and in keeping with the wishes of the school patrons, Peeler said.

He said that the construction of a modern high school outside the limits of the towns in which the three schools are now situated offered many advantages.

Peeler, who was presented by Selby Benton, program chairman, prefaced his remarks by saying that he did not wish to imply that the schools as presently constituted are not doing a good job. They are, he said. He told of fine records made in colleges by graduates of Warren County schools, of the fine athletic teams, as exemplified by Norlina during the present school year, and praised highly the science fairs as being as good as any in the state.

However, the consolidation of the three white high schools of the county, should greatly strengthen the schools, he said. Experience has shown that discipline is better in the larger schools, that the curricula is broader, that teachers can teach in their field and that they are able to attract and hold better teachers.

In addition, in the larger schools principals are not required to teach, there is opportunity for more clerical help, an opportunity to reduce the teaching load in English, which is badly needed. The larger schools are able to have a badly needed librarian and a guidance teacher, a full-time physical education teacher, a full-time band instructor. All these are needed.

Peeler discussed the three white high schools in the county from memographed sheets showing number of pupils enrolled in the high schools, number of teachers and subjects taught.

John Graham High School has a high school enrollment of 211 and 10 teachers. One English teacher teaches 150 students daily, making it impossible to assign frequent themes to the students. Band is offered and the instructor's salary is paid by the Rotary Club. Seven courses are taught by teachers out-of-field. Guidance is the responsibility of the principal.

Norlina High School has an enrollment of 155 with 8 teachers. One English teacher teaches 127 students daily. The principal teaches a class or supervises a study hall every period during the day. The principal has only student secretarial help. Guidance is the responsibility of the principal. The school does not have a librarian. The school does not have a band.

Littleton High School has an enrollment of 99 with six teachers. The principal teaches two classes. The school has a part time secretary. The PTA pays the salary of a part-time secretary. Latin is a tuition-paid course. Almost 100 per cent of the boys take Agriculture. One course is taught by a teacher out-of-field. Guidance is the responsibility of the principal. The Agricultural teacher could easily teach more students. Foreign language offerings are inadequate. The school does not have the services of a librarian.

Littleton has the greatest problem of the three white high schools, Peeler said. At the same time it offers the greatest problem of consolidation due to distance and the further fact that it also draws pupils from Halifax County.

A by-product of consolidation of the high schools is the improvement of the elementary schools. Peeler quoted the superintendent of Mecklenburg County, Va., as stating, and adding that the improvement in the elementary schools is remarkable when the high school is withdrawn.

Peeler said that consolidation should not be forced on the people and that action should not be premature. There are many problems to be solved before consolidation can take place, principally those of finance. He pointed out that first it would be necessary to consolidate 13 small Negro schools, and to spend some money at John R. Hawkins School.

But the gains through consolidation would be many. He summed up these with 15 points as follows:

1. Build the consolidated school half way between Warrenton and Norlina.
2. Better teachers teaching in field.
3. Would better meet the needs of the students.
4. Better equipment.
5. Better library services.
6. Provide full-time guidance.
7. Provide a non-teaching principal.
8. Better vocational courses at reduced costs.
9. A clerical system for teachers and principal.
10. Improved band, public school music and athletic program.
11. Increased competition among students for excellence.
12. An improvement of the elementary schools.
13. Smaller classes in English.
14. It would permit the employment of a principal on a 12-months basis.
15. It would tend to draw the county closer together.

To Hire Special Teacher Fair Named President Of John Graham PTA

A. C. Fair, Warrenton jeweler, was elected president of the John Graham-Mariam Boyd PTA for the 1960-61 session at the April meeting of the organization held at the John Graham school auditorium on Tuesday night. He succeeds Mrs. Scott Gardner.

Other officers chosen were Leonard Daniel, vice president; Mrs. J. Boyd Davis, second vice president; Mrs. M. P. Carroll, secretary; Mrs. J. D. Roberts, assistant secretary; Mrs. W. L. Turner, treasurer; and the Rev. John Link, chaplain.

Mrs. Scott Gardner, president, presided over the meeting and the devotional was given by the Rev. L. R. Campbell.

Allen Jones, a senior, gave a short talk on the observance of National Library Week, April 3-9, in Warren County.

John Graham High School will have a special education teacher next year, J. R. Peeler, county superintendent, announced during the business session. He said that Mrs. Nancy Blankenship would teach special courses to retarded children. Peeler expressed his gratification that this course is to be reinstated in the Warrenton school.

Winners in the room count were the rooms of Mrs. Fuller, Mrs. Drake and Mrs. Banzet.

W. R. Drake Appointed To Committee Of 100

Wilton R. Drake of Macon has been named as Warren County's representative on the "Committee of 100 for Better Schools" in North Carolina, it was announced from Chapel Hill on Tuesday.

Drake, a Macon resident and a Warrenton business man, is a member of the executive committee of the Warrenton Board of School Trustees, and has long been interested in education. His wife is a teacher in the Macon school.

The announcement from Chapel Hill listing appointees from all counties and city school units, said that outstanding men and women from throughout the state have been named members of a "Committee of 100 for Better Schools" by the North Carolina School Boards Association.

May 12 has been announced by the Association president, W. W. Sutton of Goldsboro, for the first statewide meeting of the group. It will be held in Chapel Hill at the Carolina Inn.

Members include one person from each county and one from each city school unit. They will begin their work immediately in the development of a broader understanding of education and its needs.

"The committee is not intended as a pressure group," Sutton emphasized. "But its chief function will be to inform the public about the schools in an effort to make possible more effective legislation for educational support in North Carolina."

Sutton added that the press, radio, television, civic organizations, and all other media of communication will be used to promote a better understanding of education.

Interpreting education throughout the state, with an ultimate goal toward more quality in the school offerings, will be a main responsibility of the committee member.

The new group will provide direct contact between state organizations interested in the advancement of education and each city and county in order that there may be an exchange of plans and programs.

Committee members also will "take the lead in organizing local citizens committees, where there is a need," Sutton explained. They will work with school authorities to study their school needs and to seek ways of meeting them, and will work in general with other organized groups for better schools.

Revival To Be Held At Warren Plans

Revival services will be held at the Warren Plains Methodist Church, beginning Sunday, April 24, and concluding on Friday night April 29.

The Rev. Troy Barrett, pastor of Wesley Memorial Methodist Church, Warrenton, will be the guest preacher each night. There will be special music at each service. The services will begin at 8:00 p. m.