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## Warren Board Member, Four Others, Indicted By A Federal Grand Jury

A Warren County Commissioner and his brother have been indicted by a Federal Court on charges of violating whiskey laws. Commissioner Clanton Coleman (Cooper) Perkins, 42, and his brother, Thomas Page Perkins, 46, prominent business men and farmers of Wise, were indicted on Monday by a Federal Grand Jury in Raleigh on charges of conspiracy to violate the Internal Revenue Law in both North Carolina and Virginia. A True Bill was found by the Grand Jury.

### Approve Sidewalk

## Co. Board Changes Insurance Coverage

Warren County's public property is now covered by one insurance policy giving extended coverage in the amount of \$388,000, instead of 49 policies with a coverage of \$232,500.

This change was made by the board of county commissioners in regular meeting here Tuesday when Monroe Gardner, Warren insurance agent, appeared before the board with figures showing how the change would give the county better coverage at a slightly lower cost. The premiums on the 49 policies totaled approximately \$1,000 annually. Under the new policy, giving blanket coverage, the cost is expected to figure some \$885.

Gardner has been working with the commissioners on a plan to give simplified coverage for several months and Tuesday accepted his plan which was accepted by the commissioners.

Under the new policy all insurance companies who participated in the old policies will share in the blanket coverage policy. However, Gardner as producing agent, will receive 50 per cent of the premium commission, and the remaining 50 per cent will be prorated among other agents according to premiums under the old policies.

The commissioners also approved the building of a sidewalk on the west side of the

court square, after County Attorney Jim Limer told the board that he had been unable to find any law forbidding such work. Under the plan the county will furnish the materials and the Town of Warrenton will furnish the labor and supervision for the joint effort.

S. E. Allen, Register of Deeds, reported 44 marriage licenses issued during the first quarter of 1961 for which \$220 was turned into the General Fund.

A. P. Rodwell, Jr., Tax Collector, reported taxes collected during March in the amount of \$7,612.11, making a total collected to date of \$296,541.11.

The State Highway Commission was requested to accept as the No. 1 project for 1961-62 that road leading from No. 43 easterly to the Halifax County line in Fishing Creek Township, being 0.6 of a mile in length; also that road in Warrenton Township running from No. 158-A to Fairview Cemetery, a distance of 0.3 of a mile.

To Preach At Macon Dr. John Steeley of Southeastern Theological Seminary at Wake Forest will preach at the Macon Baptist Church on Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. William Wilson, chairman of the pulpit committee, said yesterday.

Lucious McArthur Fogg, speeding, \$10 and costs. Tom Stegall, no operator's license, driving on wrong side of road, produced license on Friday and was fined with one-half the costs of court.

John C. Banks, assault with a deadly weapon, 30-day suspended road sentence, costs. Forest Harris, Jr., assault with a deadly weapon not guilty.

William Wyche, allowing unlicensed person to operate motor vehicle, not guilty. Selma Alston, no operator's license, \$25 and costs.

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### Tax Sales

The Warren County Board of County Commissioners on Tuesday ordered that County Tax Supervisor A. P. Rodwell, Jr., advertise property on which 1960 taxes have not been paid in May and sell the property in June. The sale will be held at the court house door in Warrenton on June 5.

## Jurors Drawn For May Term Of Civil Court

Jurors for the May Civil Term of Warren County Superior Court were drawn by the County Commissioners on Monday as follows:

J. H. Reid, Mrs. Indie Alston, Carey A. Dillard, B. W. Currin, Jr., Mrs. W. E. Mulchi, III, Alex T. Ayscue, Manley Martin, R. A. Bolton, J. B. Thompson, J. Howard Daniel, E. K. Fishel, Claude Godsey, C. W. Egerton, Jr., Mrs. C. E. Thompson, Leon J. Crawley, J. M. Moseley, T. P. Rodwell, James Wright Bolton, Jr., C. B. Dickerson, R. E. Limer, Sr., E. L. Pike, H. E. Edmonds, Robert P. Fleming, Arnold Bender, A. J. May, C. W. Goode, J. F. Reid, J. A. Hilliard, Thomas W. Hawkins, Douglas Reid, Robert P. Carter, Vernon N. Whitmore, William K. Lanier, Mrs. H. A. White, Robert B. Davis, J. C. Delbridge, W. F. Davis, W. H. Wesson, Ralph R. White, W. G. Hedgepeth.

## Few Cases Tried In County Court Here Friday

Only nine cases were disposed of in Warren County Recorder's Court here on Friday morning. All but two of the cases heard before Judge Julius Banzet dealt with infractions of the Tarheel motor vehicle laws.

Cases disposed of during Friday's short session included: George William Hancock, speeding, costs.

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# Board's Approval Is Given For Planning



Some 20,000 labor survey forms are loaded aboard a truck for distribution by Selby Benton, Bute Development Company president, (left) and Hall Brooks, Employment Security Commission official (right). Helping with the loading are Roy Neal, who aided in the distribution of the questionnaires, and Allen King, employee of the Warrenton printing concern which printed the questionnaires. (Staff Photo)

## Labor Survey Will Begin On Monday

A comprehensive labor survey—designed to meet the requirements of an industry considering location in Warren County—is scheduled to begin here on Monday.

Efforts to determine the number of persons who would accept a job in an industrial plant will begin with the distribution of 20,000 questionnaires to potential laborers.

## Two Men Seek Place As Mayor In Norlina Race

Graham P. Grissom made the Norlina's mayor's race a two-man affair when he filed for re-election shortly before the filing deadline on Saturday.

Previously N. G. Hudgins, justice of the peace at Norlina, had filed, indicating he would be a candidate for the two-year mayor's term.

Those filing for the town board before Saturday's deadline were W. S. Hicks, Jr., John W. Stegall, T. W. Stallings, E. G. Hecht, R. L. Traylor, P. J. Harton and G. D. Knight.

Hecht, Traylor and Harton are presently serving on the Norlina board of commissioners.

Norlina citizens will determine just who will fill which post when the municipal election is held in the Norlina Mayor's Office on May 2.

Mrs. Susie Wyckoff and Mrs. Lucille Lewis have been appointed judges for this election, and A. B. Laughter has been appointed registrar.

## March Poor Month For Moonshiners

March was not a profitable month for at least a half-dozen Warren County bootleggers.

Warren County sheriff's department, aided by Vance County A. B. C. officers on several occasions, destroyed six illegal whiskey distilleries in the county during the month of March.

Two of the stills captured were in Nutbush township, while Smith Creek, Sixpound, Fork and Judkins townships had one still discovery each. (See PAGE 12)

## During Meeting Tuesday

The Warren County Commissioners on Tuesday unanimously agreed to have Warren County participate in a three-county planned development of the Gaston Lake area in North Carolina and voted to appropriate \$3300 as Warren County's share of the cost of the project.

Participating in planning for the orderly development of the lake area in this state are Warren, Northampton and Halifax counties, the Department of Conservation and Development and the Federal Government.

A request to either have Warren County included in the state-wide county zoning law or to draw up a new zoning law for the county, was postponed until the board's meeting on April 10. At this time Rep. John Kerr, Jr., and Senator Frank Banzet are expected to meet with the board to discuss which method in their opinion will be most suitable for the county.

The commissioners also accepted the resignation of General Claude T. Bowers as a member of the Warren County Planning Board and named (See PLANNING, page 12)

## Lake Property Owners Approve Planning Area

A number of Warren County citizens, owning property along the Roanoke River, on Friday night gave practically unanimous endorsement to the county's participation in a four-county program for the planned development of the Gaston dam reservoir area in North Carolina.

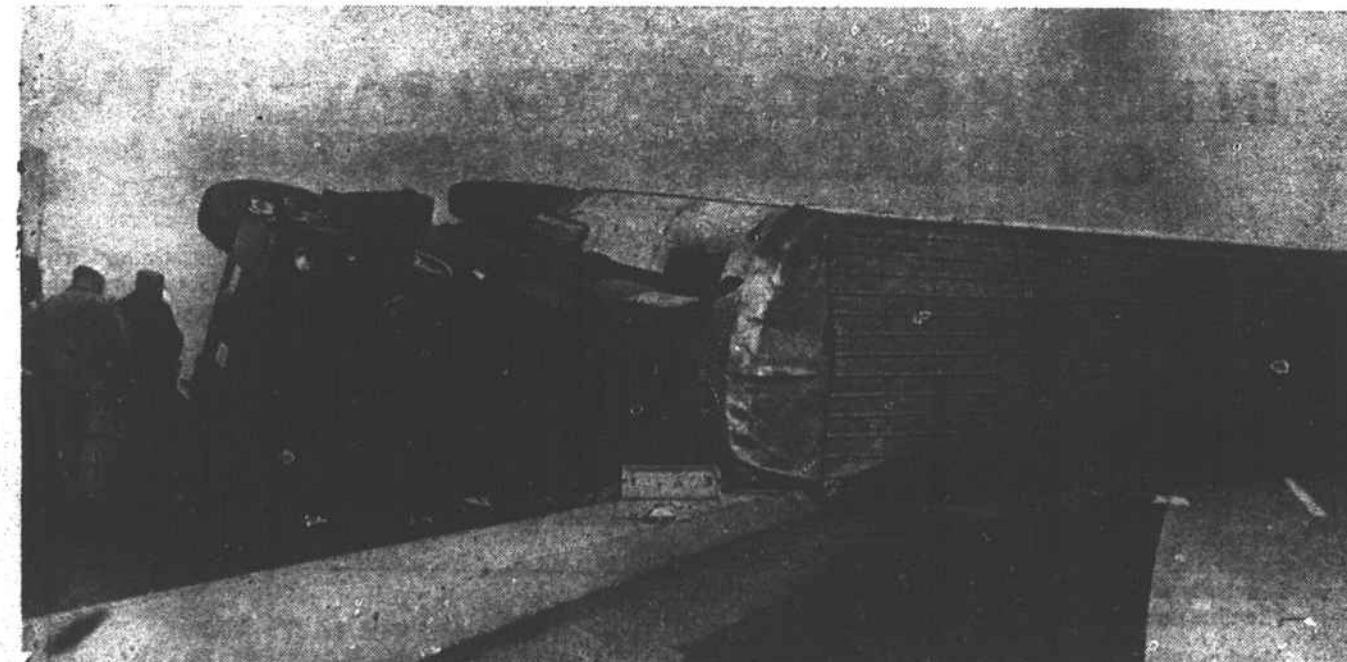
Endorsement of the project came at a mass meeting of landowners and other interested citizens in the court house when Marvin Newsom, chairman of the Warren County planning board, asked for a show of hands among the score or more property owners present. All but one of the landowners raised his hand signifying endorsement of the plan. This landowner abstained from voting when a call for a show of hands of those opposed to the program was asked.

Endorsement of the project came at the end of a two-hour meeting when representatives of the State Department of Conservation and Development explained plans for the orderly development of the entire Gaston Lake area and answered questions concerning its operation. This discussion followed a review of action already taken by Marvin Newsom, who presided over the meeting.

Robert Barbour, administrator of community planning division of the State Department of Conservation and Development, was the principal speaker. He opened his remarks by saying that he knew of no industry that holds more potential for the development of Warren County than does the Gaston Lake, which he said would be one of the finest lakes in the Eastern part of the United States.

There is a growing interest in water activities upon which the county has an opportunity to capitalize, Barbour said. He emphasized this interest by stating that of the 800 families brought into the Research Triangle area by General Motors more than half brought boats with them.

But if these counties begin to plan for the reservoir, (See MEETING)



STRICKEN GIANT — A tractor-trailer loaded with more than 500 bushels of cucumbers sprawls on its side, in photo above, straddling the highway median following an accident at the junction of U. S. Highway 1 and Interstate Highway

85 shortly before six o'clock Tuesday afternoon. The driver escaped without injury after the northbound vehicle flipped over on its side when the wheels struck the highway median at the intersection. (Photo by Bill Dennis, Henderson)

## Transfer Truck Flips On Tuesday

A South Carolina transfer truck driver escaped without serious injury when his tractor-trailer vehicle struck a concrete highway median and overturned Tuesday afternoon 11 miles north of here.

The truck, loaded with 500 bushels of cucumbers, flipped on its side at the junction of U. S. Highway 1 and Interstate 85, half a mile south of the Virginia state line in Warren County.

The driver, Milton Mosley of Georgetown, S. C., said he

crawled out through the broken windshield of the cab shortly after the accident. He identified the truck's owner as Reed Barker of Allendale, South Carolina.

Mosley said the cucumber cargo originated in Florida and that he had been driving the rig from Allendale en route to Chestertown, Md. He said he had stopped earlier in the afternoon to unload part of the cargo and to take on additional cucumbers.

The sprawled truck, which partially blocked the busy

four-lane interstate route, occurred at 5:45 o'clock. Mosley said that he was turning into the highway junction from U. S. 1 and said he had "geared down but my brakes slipped" going into the turn.

The wheels of the truck struck the concrete median and the vehicle flipped over on its side, squarely in the center of the highway.

A Henderson radio communications service agent reached the scene within minutes of the accident and radioed for assistance. State Highway Pa-

trolman R. A. Clark investigated the accident.

The cucumbers, packed in baskets, did not spill out onto the highway, although a small quantity of the driver's personal belongings scattered over the median. The cargo had to be unloaded, however, in order to move the truck and trailer.

Damage was chiefly to the left side of the tractor and trailer. No immediate estimate was given as to the extent of damage to the cucumbers.