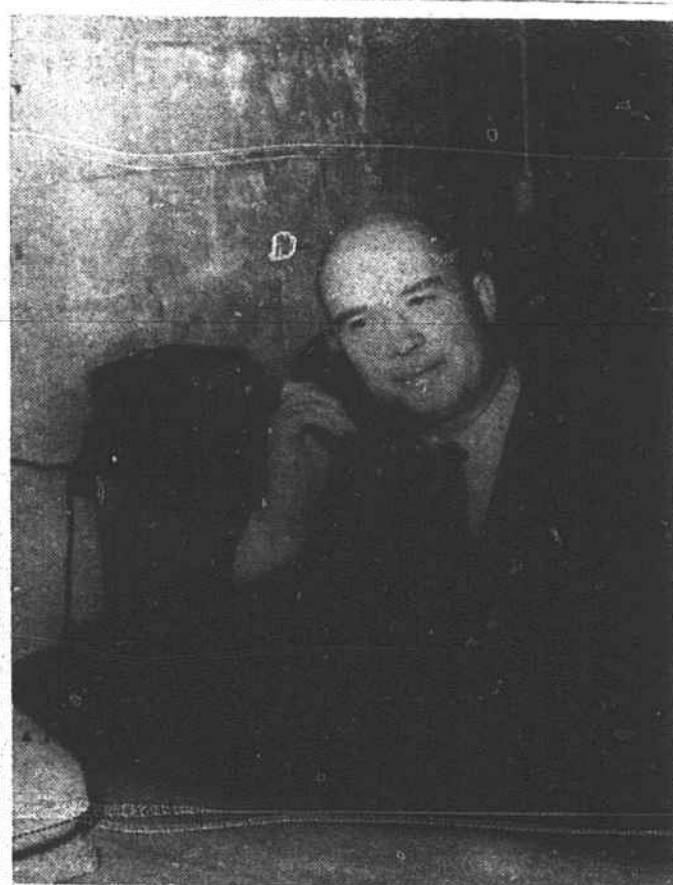


Tobacco Market Will Open Thursday



Mayor W. A. Miles of Warrenton (left) and Mayor Graham Grissom of Norlina carry on the first conversation over the unified Warrenton and Norlina telephone exchanges on Monday afternoon during a courtesy cut-in before the new service was put into operation on Tuesday morning. (Staff Photos)



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Telephone Systems Connected

At 8 o'clock on Tuesday morning, Central Office Repairman Curtis Morris of Warrenton, completed the final connection on a battery of terminals that gave extended scope telephone service to Warrenton, Norlina and Macon. Present for the event were local Carolina Telephone and Telegraph Manager D. F. Holliday of Henderson, telephone men and a representative of The Warren Record.

When the scheduled change-over to a unified system for the three neighboring towns went into effect on the dot at 8 o'clock, it was met by a rash of callers trying to get the first toll-free call through. So great were the calls that the six lines connecting Warrenton

and Norlina were unable to handle all the calls simultaneously. Following the early rush, calls simmered down and no trouble was reported for the rest of the day.

Who made the first call on Tuesday morning will probably never be known. But it is no secret who made the first call over the united system. Mayor Graham Grissom of Norlina made the first call. It was to Mayor W. A. Miles of Warrenton.

As a gesture of good-will the telephone company cut in the system for a short time at 4:00 o'clock on Monday afternoon in order that the mayors of the two towns, as representatives of the citizens, might make the first call. "It works perfectly," Mayor Grissom said following the test call. "It was as clear as if it were in the next room."

The two mayors expressed their gratification that at long last toll lines were abolished between the two towns. They said they hoped it would mean closer cooperation and greater growth and development for both towns.

The connection of telephone exchanges at Warrenton and Macon on Tuesday morning was the culmination of a generation of effort to abolish tolls between the two towns. Some five or six years ago efforts to connect the exchanges at Macon, Warrenton and Norlina were twice voted down by

Bender Says Welfare Of Child Should Be First Consideration

The quarrel with the delegation that appeared before the Board of Education from the Afton-Elberon school section on Monday night of last week is not that "they asked too late," as stated in an editorial in this paper last week, but that they "will not accept no for an answer." William H. Bender, a patron of the school says in an open letter to the editor this week.

Bender, who has a child who will be affected by the assignment of Afton-Elberon pupils to the Macon Junior High, says the real question is the welfare of the child.

Commenting on the shrinking school population that threatens the ultimate closing of the Afton-Elberon school, Bender blames the Farm Program for much of the loss of young farmers from the community, which is reflected in fewer children in the community.

His letter, addressed to the editor, follows:

"I believe you were somewhat in error when you stated in your editorial of last week, 'The quarrel is not with their asking but that they asked so late.' With a child who will be directly affected by the

Six Warehouses To Handle Crop Here

The Warrenton Tobacco Market will open for the 1961 season on next Thursday morning, August 31, at 9:00 o'clock at Centre Warehouse where the first sale will be held.

Edgar Wood, sales supervisor, said yesterday that everything is expected to be ready for a good season when the six warehouses begin sales here next Thursday morning. He said that while the tobacco crop is short in Warren County due to an unfavorable season in the county, that the crop as a whole has shown considerable improvement and the Warrenton Market is looking for a good season.

Wood said that all companies are expected to be represented here on opening day. Although, he said, he had been assured of full representation on the Warrenton Market he had not yet learned the names of a few of the buyers. He said, however, that Tom Traynham will buy for American; Si Nunn for Imperial; Ben Harris for Liggett-Myers; and Bill Harris for Export. Names of buyers for Henderson Tobacco Co., Monk-Henderson and several independent companies have not been learned yesterday.

Luke Lee of Creedmoor and Bill Martin of South Hill, Va., will be the auctioneers. Both were on the Warrenton Market last year.

Sales here next Thursday will be as follows: Centre, first; Thompson, second; Curdin No. 1, third; Boyd's, fourth; Tarwaters', fifth; and Curdin No. 2, sixth.

There will be few changes in warehouse personnel this season. Due to the death of D. G. Curdin, both of the Curdin warehouses will be operated by his sons, D. G. Curdin, Jr., and C. W. Curdin, and his son-in-law, D. E. Tillotson. Also assisting in the operation of the warehouse this year will be Jennie King of Wise, O. B. Satterfield of Creedmoor, and Perry Satterwhite of Oxford.

Centre will again be operated by M. P. "Bo" Carroll, Edward Moody and Ed Radford.

Walker P. Burwell will again operate Boyd's Warehouse.

E. G. Tarwater and Gayle Tarwater will operate Tarwater's Warehouse.

Thompson's Warehouse will again be operated by C. E. "Buck" Thompson, R. S. "Dick" Young, George Read and William Wilson.



EDGAR WOOD,
Sales Supervisor

Motor Law Cases Heard In Court

Fifteen of the 18 cases tried at a long session of Recorder's Court here on last Friday were concerned with violations of Motor Vehicle Laws.

Judge Banzet, in addition to the motor vehicle cases, heard one whiskey case, and two assault cases.

Frank Earl Davis was in court on a charge of an assault with a deadly weapon. Prayer for judgment was continued for two years provided defendant remain away from the premises of Tom Hargrove, keep the peace, remain of good behavior, and pay court costs.

Claude Jones was sentenced to serve 60 days on the road when he was found guilty on an assault on a female charge.

Bedford Milam was charged with possession of non-tax-paid whiskey. Judgment of the court was that a two years road sentence be suspended for five years on condition that the defendant not have on his premises or in his possession any non-tax-paid whiskey, and that he pay a \$100 fine and court costs.

William Gene Thompson, speeding, \$10.00 and costs.

McNeal Clarence Dosey, speeding, \$15.00 and costs.

Charles Marshall Nance, operating motor vehicle on expired license, and using another person's license; on first charge, \$200 and costs; on second charge, \$10.00 and costs.

Joe Lafayette Russell, drunk driving, \$100 and costs.

John Henry Alston, no operator's license, \$25.00 and costs.

Herman Jasper, speeding, improper passing, \$15.00 and costs.

Theodore Lee Davis, reckless driving, prayer for judgment continued for two years provided defendant surrender driver's license for 30 days and not drive in North Carolina for 30 days.

William Gray Neal, drunk driving, \$100 and costs.

James Henry Overby, reckless driving, \$100 and costs.

Rodney Matthew Lemons, speeding, \$15.00 and costs.

Arthur Parks, reckless driving, \$25.00 and costs.

Robert Mayho Jones, no operator's license, failure to stop for a red light, \$25.00 and costs.

Glynn Davis, speeding, \$10.00 and costs.

Robert Dunston, Jr., no operator's license, \$25.00 and costs.

Roy Lee Bobbitt, allowing Robert Dunston, Jr., to operate motor vehicle on public highway, \$25.00 and costs.

Booster Tickets Placed On Sale Following Meet

Booster Club tickets for the 1961-62 season will go on sale today following a kick-off supper at the Warrenton Country Club on Wednesday night.

Purchase of the tickets, which sell for \$10.00 each, entitles the buyer to membership in the Boosters Club and allows him or her to attend all home games in football, basketball and baseball without further cost. Funds from the sale are used to promote the athletic program of the John Graham High School.

W. A. Miles, as vice-president of the Boosters Club, is in charge of ticket sales. He said yesterday that tickets may be obtained from members of the club.

A goal of 250 tickets was set at the Wednesday night meeting. Miles said that he hopes (See TICKETS, page 4)

6200 Students Are Expected To Register In Schools Wednesday

Some 6,200 students are expected to register in Warren County schools on next Wednesday morning, August 30, as the new school year gets under way.

Roger Peeler, superintendent of schools, said yesterday that he expected the enrollment this year to be about the same as last year, when 1700 whites, 4200 Negroes and 300 Haliwa Indians were enrolled.

The Wednesday's session which will begin at 8:45 — except at Littleton, which will open at 8:30 — will be a morning session only.

The school begins its official 180-day session on Thursday morning when schools will operate for a full day and the cafeterias will be open.

All teachers in the county system will report to their schools on Monday morning for two full days of work before the schools open Wednesday for registration. Peeler said that, following a unanimous request of school principals at a recent meeting, the teachers are expected to spend a full eight hours at the school this year. With some exception, the teacher's day will probably begin at 8:15 and end at 4:15. The request of the school principals is expected to receive the endorsement of the Board of Education at its September 11 meeting, Peeler said.

A county-wide Negro teachers meeting will be held at Hawkins High School at Warrenton on Monday afternoon at 2:00 o'clock, and a county-wide (See SCHOOLS, page 4)

Brown Discusses Opening At John Graham School

Hours of opening the John Graham High School, the Macon Junior High School, and the Mariam Boyd Elementary School, and other pertinent information concerned with the beginning school term were announced yesterday by Thomas J. Brown, principal of the John Graham High School.

Brown said that on Registration Day, Wednesday, August 30, the Mariam Boyd school would open at 8:45 and be dismissed at 10:45. The Macon Junior High will start at 9 o'clock and be dismissed at 10:30; and the John Graham High School will start at 8:45 and be closed at 11:00.

On August 31, all three of the local schools will be in session for a full day. However, he said for the first six weeks of school, first grades will be dismissed at 1:00 o'clock.

Lunch will be served in the three schools each day.

One of the third grades in the Warrenton school system is taught at Mariam Boyd School and the other at John Graham. For this reason, Brown said that the following third grade pupils should report to the John Graham High School auditorium on August 30 at 8:45 o'clock where they will be assigned to a classroom with Mrs. Arnie R. Fulmer. (See J. GRAHAM, Page 4)

Reed Lists Fees And Other Data At Norlina School

Although the Norlina High School will open on Thursday morning, August 31, all students are expected to report to the school on Wednesday morning, August 30, for registration, Principal W. O. Reed of the Norlina school pointed out yesterday. He said students should leave school by 12:30. He said that school buses will operate on the 30th and the cafeteria would be open on the 31st. Students may receive luncheon for 25c.

Reed said that the following fees will be charged this year: Library, 50c per pupil; Science, 50c for those taking Science; Home Economics, \$2.50; Agriculture, \$2.50; Typewriting, \$5.00.

Supplementary reading fees will be the same as last year, beginning at \$1.00 for the first grade, and ending with \$1.40 for the eighth. The high school rental book fee will be \$4.50 for the year.

Reed said that parents are urged to enroll their children on the first day. He also said that it will be a pleasure to have the parents visit the school as often as possible.

The faculty of the Norlina school is composed of Principal W. O. Reed, and the following teachers: High School — Mrs. Bessie R. Hicks, Mrs. Ann W. Baxter, Mrs. Mildred C. Peeler, Miss Lucy E. Perkinson, (See NORLINA, page 4)

Two TV Courses To Be Taught At Littleton School

LITTLETON—Littleton High School will begin the 1961-62 term Wednesday, L. C. Robinson, principal, has announced.

Wednesday will be pupil registration day with school beginning at 9 a. m., and dismissing at noon. Students will be given grade and class assignments.

The school will operate on a full schedule next Thursday with classes beginning at 8:30 a. m., and ending at 3:15 in the afternoon. Lunch will be served in the cafeteria on Thursday.

Robinson said that repairs have been made to some of the windows and that a painting job is now under way. All classrooms, the office, auditorium, lunchroom, and home economics building are being painted. The agriculture building received a new coat of paint last year.

World History and United States History will be the only television courses offered this year, he stated. Miss Ruby Moore will teach piano.

Classes also will be offered in typing and bookkeeping. The typing fee will be \$5 and pupils will be required to buy their own bookkeeping workbooks.

High school fees will be \$4.50 per student. First and second graders will pay \$1, third, fourth, and fifth graders will pay \$1. (See LITTLETON, page 4)

Aromatic Tobacco Sale To Be Held Here Sept. 5

An area aromatic tobacco sale will be held at the Warrenton County Fair Grounds on Tuesday, September 5.

Farmers from several counties are expected to be present for the sale, Frank Reams, county agent, said yesterday in making the announcement.

Reams said that the growth of aromatic tobacco is a new source of income for Warren County farmers and can become a valuable asset to producers who need extra income.

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RECORD AVERAGE PRICES PAID ON EASTERN BELT

DURHAM — The highest opening day average in history was posted Tuesday on the Eastern North Carolina Flue-Cured Tobacco Belt, official reports showed Wednesday. The \$64.20 per hundred average was an increase of \$7.21 over last year's opening day average price.

The opening sales on the Eastern Belt followed the trend of high opening averages on the Georgia-Florida Belt and the Border Belt which includes markets in North Carolina and South Carolina. High prices for good quality tobacco has continued on these belts.

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Pridgen Talks At Rotary Meeting

The Warrenton Rotary Club held its dinner meeting at Hotel Warren on Tuesday night. Troy Barrett, president, presided.

Carson Pridgen of Norlina gave an interesting talk on the re-enactment of the Battle of Manassas, which he attended. Accompanying his talk, Pridgen showed interesting and informative slides.

Warrenton Girls Sign Declaration

In The Washington Observer last week two Warrenton young ladies were featured in a front-page picture and article. Misses Kay and Chalmers Ward, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Dixon Ward, were pictured between wax replicas of Thomas Jefferson and Benjamin Franklin as if the young ladies were in the process of signing the Declaration of Independence.

Chalmers and Kay were visiting Mrs. Edna White and Mrs. M. S. Smith and daughter, Rebecca, in Arlington.

In the above picture 1960 tobacco is being graded by officials of the Southeastern Aromatic Tobacco Company. The tobacco is baled when removed from the curing barn and sold.