

Board Takes No Action On Plea Planning Group

The expected failed to happen on Monday when the Board of County Commissioners failed to take any action on the adoption of a subdivision regulation requested by the Warren County Planning Board.

Action on the adoption of the subdivision regulations was requested at the December meeting of the commissioners, but postponed by that body to the January meeting, and again postponed to the February meeting, when another request from the Planning Board in meeting here Tuesday night of last week was ignored.

Attending the meeting of the Planning Board were Commissioners Chairman Amos Capps and Commissioner Robert Thorne who is also a member of the Planning Board.

Chairman Capps said near the close of the meeting when reminded by Clerk Sam Allen that no action had been taken on the subdivision regulations, "I take full responsibility for the failure of the board to act. I promised at least six good citizens of the county that no action would be taken at this meeting."

Commissioner A. J. Ellington, when reminded that he had said on Tuesday night that he favored the adoption of the regulations, said that he did not remember making the remark—in the presence of two members of the staff of this

newspaper—but said "If that was what I said, I meant it." Commissioner Cooper Perkins stated definitely that he was against the regulations. Other commissioners failed to commit themselves at the Monday meeting.

The major item of business before the commissioners was the selection of a temporary janitor to replace Ernest E. Collins who died of a heart attack on Saturday afternoon. The task proved to be no easy one with a score of candidates applying for the position.

After narrowing down the field to four or five, the commissioners named Jack Richardson of Warrenton as janitor for a 30-day period. He is currently janitor for the Warrenton Episcopal church, and began his new duties on Tuesday morning.

The commissioners instructed Clerk of Court Joe N. Ellis, custodian of the court house, to provide a mimeographed form, stating the duties of the janitor, and containing a questionnaire to be filled out by each applicant. In addition to filling out the form—which will be mailed to each applicant—applicants must furnish two written references.

The commissioners are expected to make a permanent selection at their March meeting for the job of court house janitor, which pays \$40.00 a week.



Three persons were injured and two cars were demolished in a head-on collision two miles east of Arcola on a rural paved road early Saturday night. Hospitalized were William Henry McGee, 20, driver of one car, Dorothy Silver Williams, driver of the other car, and Mrs. Williams' young son, James Edward Williams, Jr. McGee was released from the hospital on Wednesday; Mrs. Williams and her child were released on Tuesday. All were non-white.

According to Trooper Bobby Clark the driver of the car shown in top picture was traveling at high rate of speed and veering from one side of the highway to the other when the crash occurred. The force of the impact snapped the steering wheel of the bottom car off in the woman's hands.

(Staff Photos)

Arcola Man Given Long Road Term

A young man of the Arcola community was given three road sentences totaling six years by Judge Julius Banzet in Recorder's Court here last Friday.

Joe Edward Lynch, non-white, was in court charged with

forceable trespass, assault with a deadly weapon and malicious injury to personal property.

Evidence was that Lynch went to the home of Arthur Richardson on January 27 raised a window and threw a knife at him. The knife missed the target. Then Lynch broke a window in the 1953 Mercury car of Richardson's wife, Addie Mae Richardson.

Mayfield Named Head District School Group

A Warren County man has been elected president of Department 6 of the State School Board Association.

Boyd Mayfield of Norlina, a member of the Warren County Board of Education, was elected head of the school group at a meeting held in Cary on Thursday night of last week.

Mayfield is a former member of the Norlina school district committee, a farmer, a youth worker, and a member of the Zion Methodist Church.

Present at the Cary meeting in addition to Mayfield were Principal W. O. Reed of Norlina, W. R. Drake, chairman of the John Graham school board; J. T. Brown, principal of the John Graham School; Marvin Newsom and Mrs. E. K. Fishel of Littleton, Loyd Dickens of Littleton; and J. R. Peeler, superintendent of Warren County schools.

Department 6 is composed of Warren, Vance, Granville, Durham and Wake Counties.

Further evidence was that Lynch, around 20 years of age, bore a bad reputation in the Arcola community, and that he had previously served a road sentence.

Judge Banzet sentenced Lynch to the road for two years on the trespass charge, two years on the assault charge, and two years on the malicious injury to personal property charge. The court ordered that each sentence was to be served separately.

Notice of appeal has been given, but appearance bond had not been arranged by Wednesday morning.

Edwin T. Gupton was in court on an assault charge, but the court held that the charge was frivolous and ordered that the plaintiff be taxed with the court costs.

John Bill Hall was fined \$25.00 and costs on a reckless driving charge.

Clyde Oliver Massenburg, Jr., was in court charged with reckless driving and speeding. A 60-day road sentence was suspended for two years upon condition that the defendant surrender his driver's license for one year, operate no motor vehicle on highways of North Carolina for one year, and pay court costs.

Lonnie Alvin Tippett was charged with driving on wrong side of road, and that he did pass in the face of oncoming traffic when such passing could not be made in safety. Prayer for judgment was continued for two years upon payment of court costs.

Norman Judkins, Jr., charged with trespass, was given a 60-day road sentence, which was suspended for two years upon condition that defendant remain away from the lands and premises of Sidney Fleming for two years, remain of good behavior and pay court costs by March 2.

Gilliam Ragland faced Judge Banzet on a charge of an assault.

BOYD MAYFIELD

Tax Listing Time Extended By Board

The time during which citizens may list their 1962 taxes was extended from January 31 to February 15 by the Board of County Commissioners in regular session here on Monday.

In ordering the extension of time, the commissioners followed a procedure of several years, as usually bad weather in January delays listing of taxes.

Another step towards the calling of a bond issue for capital outlay for schools was taken when the commissioners ordered that the law firm of Reed, Hoyt, Washburn and McCarthy, New York bond attorneys, be employed to assist

Farm Bureau To Meet On Feb. 12

All Warren County Farm Bureau members are requested to attend a meeting on Monday night, February 12, in the County Agricultural Building in Warrenton.

Erich Hecht, president, who announced the meeting, said that its purpose is to discuss future activities, services provided members, county office facilities, promotions, programs, and membership dues of the Farm Bureau.

"This is the most important meeting affecting the future of farming you will attend this year or for probably several years," Hecht said.

Hecht said that County Farm Bureaus all over North Carolina are holding similar meetings. Each county will make its decisions and electing voting delegates to vote on these decisions at the state meeting of delegates in Raleigh on February 16. He said the vote of the majority of the delegates to this meeting will affect all Farm Bureau members.

Mrs. C. L. Galbreth of Bracey, Va., was a luncheon guest of Mrs. C. L. Purdy on Wednesday.

Jurors Drawn For March Term Superior Court

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

Mrs. F. H. Cheek, C. J. Fleming, J. C. Pegrum, L. W. Wells, Tom M. Brown, Clifton B. Kidd, Nat B. White, W. C. Collins, C. C. King, Peyton Rogers, J. E. Howard, James D. Matthews, N. M. Hilliard, Walter B. Newman, C. E. Carter, Manley Martin, Charlie H. Duncan, B. W. Smith, Mrs. Margaret J. Leach, Joe D. Riggan, Gerald F. Estes, W. Elmer Thompson.

Vincent Williams, Peter C. Brown, Edgar G. Neal, Mrs. W. H. Daeke, Charles E. Lyles, Mrs. Amos L. Capps, H. Evans Coleman, J. A. Kimball, Charles A. Hobgood, W. R. Drake, S. T. Hight, Mrs. Margaret H. Fitts, Mrs. Edna M. Harris, Robert Matthews, Ben J. Ayseue, Thomas N. Harp, Thomas A. Peoples, C. E. Mustian, Jr., James E. Perkinson, Charlie H. Sammons, Richard W. Davis, C. E. Thompson, C. H. Lambeth.

Premeasurement Deadline Feb. 15

February 15 is the last day the Warren County ASCS office can accept requests for premeasurement of allotted crops, T. E. Watson, office manager, said yesterday.

Any farmer who desires to have this work done must make a deposit by this date, he said.

Watson said that the farmer is required to pay only the actual cost of the visit to his farm and the determination of acreage on his farm. The cost is \$3.00 plus \$1.10 per acre for tobacco, 80 cents for cotton, or a minimum cost of \$2.50 per farm.

Green Says Area Good Drama Site

The Memorial Recreation Forest in Southeastern Warren County is a fine location for an outdoor drama of the Negro race, Dr. Paul Green said on Tuesday afternoon, according to the Rev. G. E. Cheek, who accompanied him on a tour of the site.

Dr. Green, noted playwright of Chapel Hill and author of The Lost Colony, the Common Glory, and many other dramas, earlier in the afternoon had told a group gathered in the County Agricultural Building that he had been interested in writing such a drama for years, but he did not know whether or not the location was suitable.

Kerr Announces House Candidacy

John Kerr, Jr., on Tuesday announced his candidacy for the House of Representatives from Warren County.

In announcing his candidacy, Rep. Kerr said:

"I expect to be a candidate for renomination to the State House of Representatives from Warren County in the Democratic Primary. I deeply appreciate the confidence and trust reposed in me by the people of Warren County throughout the years."

In 1943 Kerr served as Speaker of the House of Representatives, and with the exception of William Miller who served as Speaker for three consecutive sessions, 1812, 1813 and 1814, is the only other citizen of Warren County who has served as Speaker. Mr. Kerr has also served as Chairman of the House Appropriations Committee in 1941, and Chairman of the House Finance Committee in 1945. In the 1957 General Assembly he was Chairman of the Committee on Constitutional Amendments. In the 1959 and the 1961 General Assembly he was Chairman of the Committee on Rules which prescribes the method of conducting the business of the House and the consideration



JOHN KERR, JR.

of legislation. With the exception of the sessions of 1951, 1953 and 1955, Mr. Kerr has served as Warren County's Representative in the General Assembly since 1939.

In 1955 he served in the State Senate as a Senator from the Third Senatorial District composed of Northampton, Vance and Warren.

Only One Files Three Men Now In Race For Sheriff

While three men are candidates for Sheriff in the May Democratic Primary, only one has filed for the position.

He is Charles Wilson, who filed his announcement with Wiley Coleman, Chairman of the Board of Election, on January 28, but failed to make any announcement to the Press. Encumbent Sheriff Jim Hundley announced several weeks ago that he would seek reelection as Sheriff of Warren County, and last week Clarence Davis, former Deputy Sheriff, announced that he would be a candidate for the sheriff's position.

Wilson is a resident of Norlina, but works in South Hill, Va. He is a former policeman at Norlina and at one time operated a taxicab here. He is a brother of Eugene Wilson, assistant tax collector, and Carl Wilson of Warrenton.

John Kerr, Jr., announced on Tuesday that he would seek reelection to the State House of Representatives.

Wiley Coleman said yesterday that beginning next Monday, February 12, he would be in the court house from 10-12 six days a week to receive filing fees from any candidates wishing to seek county offices.

Kerr, in announcing the call for the special meeting, urged all members of the county committee to be present for the important meeting.

Phyllis Class To Meet

The V. L. Pendleton Phyllis Class of the Warrenton Baptist Church will meet with Mrs. C. P. Allen on Tuesday night, February 13, at 8:00.

Routine Meeting

Only routine matters were transacted at the regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Town of Norlina on Monday night.

Following the meeting Dr. and Mrs. Green accompanied the Rev. Mr. Cheek to the site, where, according to Cheek, he showed much enthusiasm for the proposed project. Dr. Green is honorary chairman of the Advisory Board of the Memorial Recreation Forest, Inc.

Dr. Green was one of a number of distinguished persons here to hear a discussion of plans for developing a Negro recreational area in Warren County and the possible creation of a Negro drama as a part of the plan.

The meeting was called by the Warren County committee of the Capital Area Development Association and Mayor W. A. Miles of Warrenton, chairman of the county committee, presided.

Tentative plans for the Memorial Recreation Forest call for an estimated expenditure of \$651,800, and among other items calls for an outdoor chapel theatre, a nine-hole golf course, and a 25-unit motel.

Governor Sanford and the Federal Government have shown an interest in the project, according to information released at the meeting, attended by Hubert Henderson of the State Recreation Department, George Stevenson of the advisory committee of Governor Sanford's Staff, and Wayne Shields, Southeastern coordinator of the National Area Development Administration in Washington.

Henderson described the proposed project as most worthwhile, with tremendous possibilities and a real challenge. Stevenson said that he was much taken with the project, and Shields said that it was one of the most, if not the most imaginative project to cross his desk.

Shields said that the promoters of the Memorial Forest must think in terms of basic economics in its development. Since Warren has been designated as a distressed area, funds may be borrowed at a low interest rate for the development of projects creating employment. However, the maximum amount that can be borrowed is 65% of the total, Shields pointed out. He said that provision must be made for raising the remainder of the money and for repayment of any government loan.

The pageant is one of the most promising ways for raising funds for the operation of the project and meets the goal of the ARA whose prime objective is to better the economy of a section. He said that a successful pageant bringing thousands into the county would not only bring in money to the section, but would provide many jobs. Someone, he added, has to feed the visitors and someone has to provide sleeping accommodations for many of the visitors—this should mean added wealth and added jobs.

Shields said that while the Government would make no grants under its ARA program, it would provide funds for a training program of 16 weeks. He also promised technical help free of charge, and said, upon request, that he would send one of the best recreational coordinators in the country to assist in the organization and promotion of the Memorial Forest.

Shields also suggested that the backing of one of the business foundations of the country would do much to assure the success of the project.

At the beginning of the meeting, the Rev. G. E. Cheek, originator of the idea of a Memorial Forest, said that he

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