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"Tickets will be on sale at one dollar for adults and fifty cents for children and our committee is hopeful of filling the gymnasium for each night twinbill," Brown said.

The John Graham gymnasium, the newest in the conference, has a seating capacity of 1200 persons. There will be no reserved seats for the tournament.

Some of the participants in the annual playoffs have already ended their regular season.

One of these was Norlina, which did so in surprising fashion last Friday night as both the boys and girls rolled over visiting Weldon.

In the nightcap Coach Bob Price's quintet sent its loop record to 7-5 as it tore into a

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## Warrenton Drops Both Games On Townsville Court

Jimmy Hawkins sank a pair of free throws with nine seconds remaining to give underdog Townsville a come-from-behind 43-42 victory over Warrenton in a non-conference game Tuesday night.

Hawkins' charity tosses came three seconds after Townsville got ball possession on an out-of-bounds play. Hawkins tried a jumper from 15 feet out, but the officials ruled he was fouled on the play and he made good on both of his attempts at the line.

Warrenton had a slim chance to win the game with ball possession and five seconds remaining on the clock, but time ran out as forward Clinton Neal carried the ball into the forecourt. The win pushed Townsville's over-all mark to 10-15.

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Weldon aggregation which had defeated the Blue Waves earlier in the season.

Led by Billy Fuller, who snagged 18 rebounds and tossed in 30 points, the Waves spotted Weldon a single-point advantage during the first quarter then roared back to romp to a 73-61 victory.

Fuller, called the "best player in the conference" by Weldon Coach Donald Johnson, following the contest, had one of the best nights of his career as he grabbed scoring honors for both teams.

Teammates Andrew Hundley, with 14, and Jimmy Burton, who collected 13, helped carry the scoring burden that had the visitors buried by the three quarters mark, 50-36. Weldon got its top point efforts from Marion Wise, who had 19, and Leon Dickens, with 17.

In the girls' contest Edwards and Williams furnished the Wavelets with a one-two punch that bowled over the visitors, 39-34. Edwards was high for the night with 18 markers and Williams contributed ten. Glo Elias had 17 to pace the losing Lady Tornados.

While this game was going on, Warrenton was capturing the Halifax-Warren championship and also grabbed the mythical Warren County title with an unblemished record against county competition.

The Jackets dusted off Littleton, 52-26, as Billy Mitchiner led the way with a 22-point effort. The senior guard, substituting for regular Gordon Heathcock, had his best night of the year as he popped in 22 points. Keyword Cheves had eight to top the Littleton attack.

Clinton Neal also got in the double figures for Warrenton, which boosted its league mark to 10-1, as he netted 14 points.

In the girls' game Knox Polk led Coach Janice Allen's charges to a 46-36 win over the visiting sextet as she rang the hoop for 23 points, while teammate Sandra Jones was bucketing 15. B. J. West led the Lady Jays' attack with 14.

Littleton ends its regular season tonight in a home game with Enfield, and Weldon brings down the curtain on its regular season competition with a doubleheader against Aurelian Springs.

Davie, which affords Warrenton its opposition tonight, has swept four straight conference wins. On last Friday night Davie's boys overpowered Enfield behind the performance of big Lonnie Harris, who snagged 24 rebounds and hit for 25 points.

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## RIDGEWAY NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Adam Seaman, Mrs. J. C. Brauer, Mrs. H. W. Seaman, Mrs. Albert Seaman, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Hayes, Mrs. C. P. Holtzman and Mrs. W. A. Kimball visited Mrs. Eva Hayes on Sunday in observance of her 80th birthday.

Miss Raye Stainback of Washington, D. C., spent the weekend at her home here.

Mr. Kenneth Cawthorne spent last week with Mr. and Mrs. Donald Johnson and Mr. and Mrs. Donald Scott in Tampa, Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Lemon of Richmond, Va., visited Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Walker on Sunday. Miss Phyllis Seaman of Raleigh spent the weekend at her home here.

Mrs. L. M. Paschall, Sr., and Miss Alice Paschall visited Mrs. Eva Hayes and Mrs. C. R. Edwards in Norlina on Tuesday night.

Mrs. L. M. Paschall, Jr., is a patient in Maria Parham Hospital in Henderson, receiving treatment.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Seaman of Henderson and Mrs. C. P. Holtzman visited Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Bender on Monday night.

Miss Doris Bender has been confined to her bed this week with bronchial pneumonia, but is much improved at this time.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Bender and sons and Mrs. Walter Haun visited Master Ralph Funderburk in Rex Hospital, Raleigh, on Monday night.

Mrs. Carl Lorenz and Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Bender visited Mr. H. R. Holtzman during the weekend.

Mrs. Annie K. Kilian of Miami, Florida, spent Friday with Mrs. C. F. Holtzman.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Seaman and Mrs. Annie K. Kilian visited Mrs. Walter Brauer on Sunday.

Miss Carolyn Richardson of Norlina spent the weekend with Miss Cheryl Kilian.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Lorenz of Wise visited Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Bender on Sunday.

Valentine Party  
Members of St. Paul's Lutheran Church and other friends enjoyed a Valentine party on Wednesday night at the Parish Hall, under the sponsorship of the Young People's Society.

The table bore a white linen cloth and was centered with an arrangement of red camellias and greenery, flanked by lighted tapers. Mrs. Carl Lorenz was in charge of the food committee.

## Warrenton Rural Fire News

Only two fires were reported to the WRFD this week. A minor blaze in a broom sege field on the Limer Town Road, off 401, at Mr. Burwell's farm was called to the attention of the Fire Company on Wednesday afternoon, February 14. The Woods truck, No. 7, was dispatched to the scene, followed by No. 2, because of some concern over a house nearby.

On arriving at the scene, the firemen found that the blaze had been extinguished and also that the field had been plowed around to prevent its spread.

The Warrenton Rural Fire Department is ready to answer any and all calls, but such calls as this, which obviously was controlled burning, are so unnecessary. This call required four men, two trucks and about 45 minutes.

A packhouse on the Peete place in the Ridgeway community was destroyed by fire on Thursday afternoon, February 15. The Warrenton Rural Fire Department dispatched two trucks to the scene to find the fire under control by the Norlina Fire Company. Six men answered this call.

We are listing this week the Area Captains for the county-wide broom sale which will be held the week of March 5-10. Each of these captains will be responsible for seeing that every house in his area is called on during that week and the occupants given an opportunity to buy either a broom, a whisk broom, a kitchen package, or all three if they so desire.

The area captains are Walter Bender—Drewry, Oine; Bruce Bell—Macon, Vaughan, Embro; Harry Williams—Inez; Charles Hobgood—Afton, Elberon; Elmer Harris—Arcola; Cliff Ellis—Wise, Oakville, Churchill; Monroe Gardner—Warrenton.

Remember, not only will the Fire Company benefit from these sales, but so will the blind who make these articles in Greensboro at the Guilford Industries for the Blind.

The firemen are now working on a truck which will go to Afton-Elberon when completed. This Auxiliary will be discussed at a later date.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:  
With enough Auxiliary Fire Departments in the county, think of the money saved in insurance premiums.

Soil Conservation News  
SOIL CONSERVATION SERVICE

By NAT WHITE  
Soil Conservation Service  
Last week, for the first time in two months, soil conditions were right for heavy equipment to work. Three ponds were under construction during the week; one on Ben Lynch's farm near Oine, one for C. M. Hattcock at Churchill, and one for G. A. Daeke at Ridgeway. Farmers have received approval for cost sharing on 21 ponds through the Agricultural Conservation Program. Most of these ponds will be constructed in time to catch water to irrigate tobacco in 1962.

Plans are being made for land smoothing operations on several farms in Warren County. In this operation obstructions and bench terraces are removed, waterways shaped, eroded land top soiled, parallel terraces constructed, and the field is ready for tractor farming. Interested farmers will be invited to observe this work in process.

During the next two months fires will do a lot of damage on Warren County farms. It is best not to burn fields as those residue improves the land when returned to it. Where fields are burned over the soil gets "tight" or runs together. Its fertility and water holding capacity is impaired, it is more subject to erosion, and crops grown on it make lower yields. Fires started in fields often spread to woodlands, doing great damage.

man and Millard Paschall, Sr., hostesses for the evening.

Mrs. John D. Holtzman presided over the meeting at the Lutheran Parish Hall and Mrs. Chris F. Holtzman gave the devotional. Miss Ann Rackley and L. B. Hardage were special guests.

Ham biscuits, assorted sandwiches, potato chips, dip, cake and pickles were served by Mesdames Carl Holtzman, Chris Holtzman, John Holtz-

## Sunday School Class Holds Meet

LITTLETON — The L.E.L. Sunday School Class of the Littleton Baptist Church held its regular meeting in the home of Mrs. Hazel Hedgepeth on Monday night with Mrs. Carolyn Johnston, president, presiding and having charge of the devotional.

Cheese cake, with strawberries, and coffee were served to the 11 members present.

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