

Warrenton And Littleton Divide Games; Jacket Boys Victorious

By JUNIE DRAKE
John Graham's High School Basketeers opened the 1962 home game schedule Dec. 20 by dividing with Littleton's girls and boys in the local gym. Coach Janice Allen's Jackettes went down to defeat for the second time this season at the hands of Coach Tommy Satterfield's Littleton lassies.

Inexperienced players committed numerous fouls and both teams were guilty of ball handling errors in the loosely played game. Dorothy Hilliard topped the scoring for the winners and Knox Polk led the losers. Sandra Jones was used as a rover in the new rule set-up for girls games and played an aggressive floor game. Janet Weaver showed promise on offense for Warrenton.

Coach "Preacher" Parker was rightfully disturbed as his varsity boys searched in vain for eight minutes for a field goal in their second encounter this season with Coach Satterfield's Littleton team. Littleton fared little better as the first quarter ended with the ball having been put through the nets

only once for a field goal and one foul shot. The Yellow Jackets managed one foul shot and were behind 3-1. The lid was finally pried off as the score at half showed Warrenton leading 12-7.

Coach Parker's team came back to show some of the potential expected of them in the second half to move to a 43-26 victory.

John Coleman, a promising sophomore, started hitting on outside shots as Al Blalock, a junior, worked under the basket for lay-ups. Phil Qualls became more aggressive and stole the ball to set up a number of fast breaks which should have run up a larger score but erratic ball handling by the inexperienced Yellow Jackets cost them several scoring opportunities.

Billy Rogers and Roddy Lake rebounded more effectively in the second half as Warrenton controlled both boards. Coach Parker came up with two promising reserves in 6-4 Ray Shearin and forward Robert Wells.

Parker had counted heavily on the experience and proven ability of Billy Ben-

son to lead his hardwood charges this season, but a football injury and knee operation has Benson in the stands. There is a possibility of his getting back on the court during the season and his presence on the squad would add the necessary scoring punch Coach Parker needs badly.

Charles Moore led Littleton's scoring as Keith Ross and Bill Smiley looked best on defense.

Warren Native Is Selected As Va. Top Truck Driver

A Warren County native has been selected 1962 Virginia Truck Driver of the Year.

George M. Wagner, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Wagner of Embro, and a brother of C. D. Wagner of Warren County, was presented a certificate and gold medallion pin earlier this month by Virginia Governor Harrison.

Selected for the honor by the Virginia Highway Users Association, Wagner has more

than 1,500,000 miles of accident-free driving during the past 25 years.

All of Wagner's truck driving during this period has been on Virginia's highways. Truck drivers have a "tough time" on the speed limit in Virginia (45 miles per hour), he points out.

"It makes it harder to make the long grades. This is the reason people complain that trucks sometimes pass pretty fast going down hill," he explains. "They're trying to make it up the next grade."

Wagner, 52, lives in Richmond with his wife, a 16-year-old son, George Wagner, Jr., and an 11-year-old daughter, Martha Elizabeth.

Winners Named

Christmas decorations displayed at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Tim Thompson of Church Street captured the eye of out-of-town judges and top honors during the annual decorations contest sponsored by the Warrenton Lions Club.

The display won \$10 for Mr. and Mrs. Thompson, while second prize of \$5 was awarded to Mr. and Mrs. B. G. White of Ridgeway Street. Judges selected only two winners, Lions President W. M. Gardner said yesterday.

Winners of the annual contest held by the Town 'n Country Garden Club were Mrs. Henry Green, who won

in the inside decorative category, and Mrs. Cullie Marx, who won in the outside decoration category.

Judges for this contest were Mrs. L. C. Cooper and Mrs. R. E. Ransom. Entries were limited to a two-mile radius of Warrenton.

MOVES

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Beginning Jan. 2, Traylor Appliances will be located in the building on Main Street which formerly housed Scoggin Motor Company.

Leon Knight of the local appliance store said yesterday that merchandise was being transferred to the new

building, but that the company would continue to do business in their present location during the remainder of 1962.

SCHOOLS

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News firms will be closed on Jan. 1, along with banks and post offices in the county.

Stores and other business houses in Warrenton ended a two-day Christmas holiday yesterday.

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JGHS Varsity Cagers To Meet Alumni Jan. 1

By JUNIE DRAKE
John Graham's 1962-63 Championship Basketball Team returns to the scene of memorable victories on Tuesday night to play the role of visitor as they meet the 1962-63 edition of the Yellow Jackets at 8 p. m.

Jimmy Webb, John Graham assistant coach has been working with the alumni and will direct the team as they go against Coach "Preacher" Parker's Varsity. Webb has all of the boys who made John Graham history last season as they swept to the conference, regional and finals of the Eastern Class A Championship, with the exception of guard Chocky

White who has to return to Carolina to resume freshman basketball practice, and Billy Benson who is still in school here.

Herman and Thurman Rooker, Johnny Link, Bobby Edmonds, Billy Mitchiner, Clinton Neal, Gordon Haithcock and Tommy Holt will be on hand as Referees Leonard Daniel and Al Mustian sound the opening whistle.

A large crowd is expected to witness what should be a real test for Coach Parker's inexperienced varsity.

Practice will resume in the high school gym at 10 a. m. Monday for the Varsity and at noon for the Alumni.

An admission of 25c has been set for the game.

GRISSOM

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that he feels that much of the example cited in the Katzensteins' letter was due to poor maintenance practice and not the lagoon system.

"We have taken the recommendations of our consulting engineer, the field consultant for the N. C. League of Municipalities, the State Health Department and the State Stream Sanitary Commission," Grissom said. "We feel that these agencies would not approve anything detrimental to the health and welfare of the community."

Mayor Grissom said that soil samples have been tested by C. Page Fisher, Consultant Engineer for Soil Mechanics, Earthworks, and Foundation Designs, and he reported that no appreciable seepage will take place when constructed as designed by the engineer.

"The town officials live at Norlina and certainly they would advocate nothing that would damage the town and decrease the value of their property," the mayor commented.

Granted that a sewage disposal plant operated by a competent and high priced engineer would be better than a lagoon system, the cost of such a project is greater than the taxpayers of the town can reasonably bear, Grissom said. "We have a high water rate now and our tax rate will be \$1.75 if the bond issue is passed," he said.

It narrows down, in reality, Grissom said, to the lagoon system, or no sewage system. And it could mean a return to privies, as the State Health Department has warned Norlina against its present septic tank system.

A delay in passing the bond issue could easily mean the loss of the 50% cost of construction being paid by the government under its accelerated works program for distressed areas, as this is only a temporary measure, the mayor said.

Mayor Grissom said that the Katzensteins were misinformed in stating that the Town of Norlina has made no effort to obtain a higher grant than the 50% of cost allowed. "We have contacted Mr. William Batt, Jr., Area Redevelopment Administration, Washington, D. C., Mr. W. Willard Wirtz, Sec-

retary of Labor, Washington, D. C., and Congressman L. H. Fountain informing them of depressed conditions existing in our area and asked that our area be reclassified and be given a higher grant. This has not been done at this time."

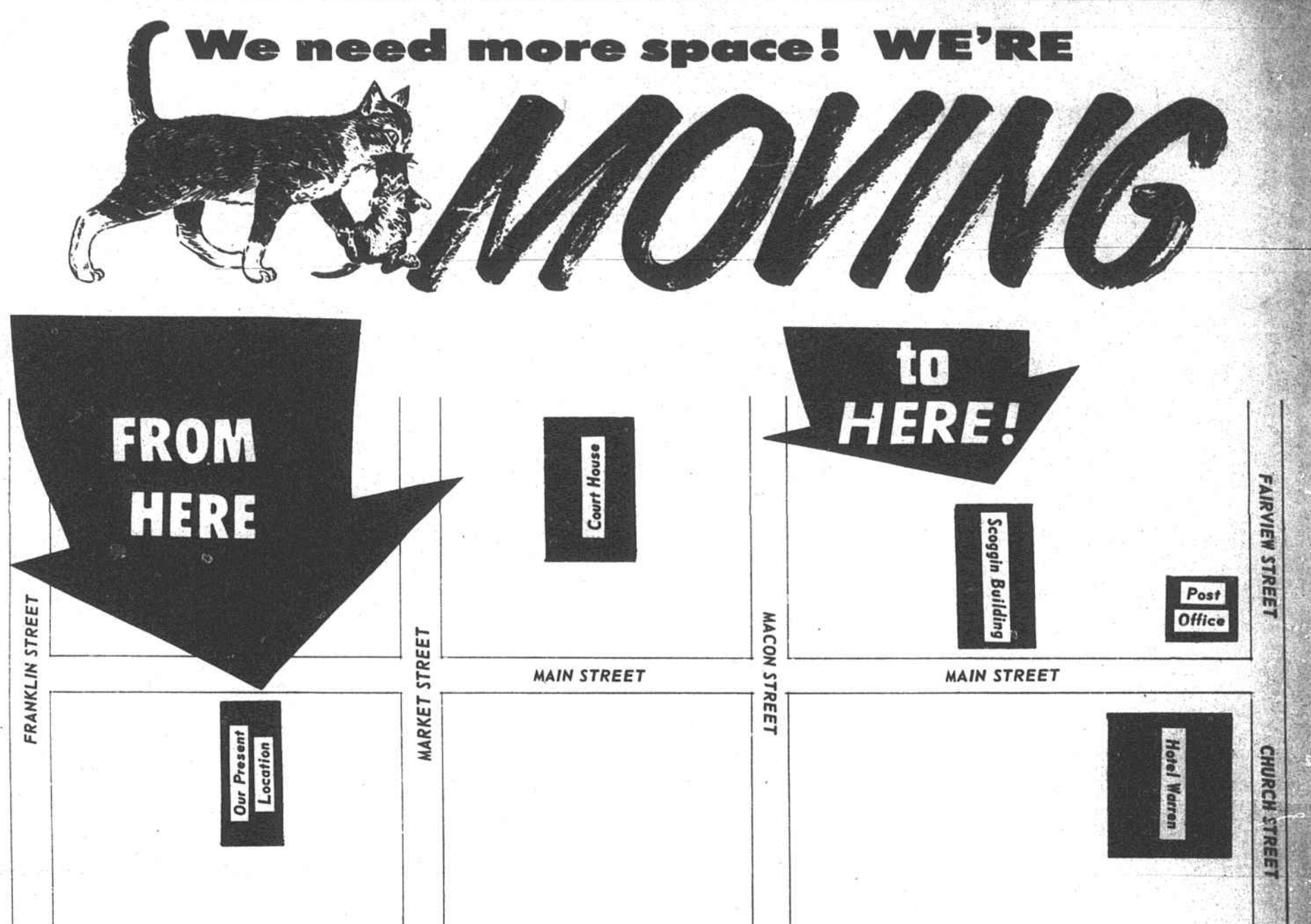
He said that the Katzenstein brothers were also in error in stating that lack of publicity had been given to the entire sewer project. He said the proposed sewer system was explained to the Norlina Ruritan Club at a regular meeting on November 13, 1962. The system was explained to the Norlina Volunteer Fire Department on November 20, 1962. At these meetings, Grissom said, all information was presented, including collection lines, outfall lines, pumping station and lagoon location. The proposed tax rate and water rate to retire bonds was also explained as well as federal participation in financing the project. A question and answer period was held after presentation.

A meeting was held at the Mayor's Office on December 12, 1962, with citizens present from the area east side of town that will not be served at this time, Mayor Grissom said. All phases of the system was explained at this time, specifically why this area was not included. A pump station would have to be added for this section and only a few families would benefit. The additional cost would be so great that the tax and water rates would have to be so high that the project would likely be defeated, it was explained.

Mayor Grissom said that a public meeting will be held at the Norlina High School Gym on January 3, 1963, at 8 o'clock. Representatives from the State Health Department, State Stream Sanitation Department, the N. C. League of Municipalities, the consulting engineer and the county sanitarian will be present to inform the citizens of the need of a sanitary sewer system, lagoon sewage treatment, and financing the project. A question and answer period will follow the presentation.

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