



Town Commissioners gathered with Mayor Miles around Council Table where decision was made Monday night to apply for a \$90,000 Federal grant for the construction of a sewage disposal plant here.

## Town Applies For A \$90,000.00 Grant

### Cotton Farmers Urged Funds To Be Used For To Release Acreage Sewage Disposal Plant

Farmers who fail to release their unplanted cotton allotment to the ASC County Committee face a reduction in their allotments. W. S. Smiley, ASC Committee Chairman, said this week that farm cotton allotments will be reduced where the farmer fails to plant at least 75 per cent of his allotment or where he fails to release his allotment.

For farmers who plan to plant their allotment, no action is needed. "However," Smiley said, "where the farmer knows he will not plant 75 per cent of his allotment, he can help himself and at the same time other farmers in the county by releasing this allotment for reappor-

tionment. If the cotton allotment is released to the county committee, this preserves not only the individual farmer's planting history, but the planting history of the county and state. This prevents loss of allotment to individual counties and to the State of North Carolina."

Smiley urged farmers who know now their allotment will not be planted, to visit the local ASCS Office and preserve their history by releasing their allotment for use by other farmers within the county. He said the deadline date for acceptance of this released acreage by the county committee is March 15.

The Board of Town Commissioners on Tuesday morning applied to the United States Department of Health Education and Welfare for a \$90,000 grant in aid for the construction of a sewage disposal plant at Warrenton.

The decision to apply for the grant under the accelerated public works program, which permits the government to pay half the cost of the actual construction of the plant, was made at the regular meeting of the Board on Monday night, when necessary steps were taken for the mailing of the application on Tuesday morning.

Action of the board was taken after R. T. Newcome of the engineering firm of Boney and Newcome appeared to discuss the estimated cost of the project and matters pertaining to its construction, and information needed in the application for the grant.

Newcome estimated the cost of the project at \$197,000. While the government pays in some cases half the cost of such projects, it does not pay for land acquisition and a number of other minor expenses. As a result, if the grant is made, the town will still have to provide slightly more than \$100,000. Much of this balance is to be paid from funds derived from increased water rates and a sewer tax imposed several months ago, and to be accumulated until the project is underway.

Newcome said that his firm recommended the conventional type of sewage disposal plant, although its costs will probably be a fourth greater than the lagoon type of disposal and much more costly to operate. He said that this was necessary because the lay of the land and its texture would prevent the building of a lagoon.

Newcome said that lagoon systems had been found perfectly satisfactory and that his firm had drawn plans for several of these. Unfortunately, he said, the land along Horse Branch where the town's sewer lines run is in the nature of a valley and would not provide the kind of pond necessary, as it would be too long and narrow. In addition, he said, the soil is somewhat like instant coffee, and the land is underlaid all the way to the creek with rocks. The one favorable factor in

the conventional system, Newcome said, is that it lends itself better to handling waste from certain types of industries.

Newcome said that the plans drawn by the engineers call for a conventional disposal plant near the sewer outfall in Fishing Creek, and a lift pump to raise the sewage now flowing into Possum Quarter Creek from the east end of the town.

In other business before the commissioners, Commissioner Holt of the Water Committee reported that H. R. Skillman, Superintendent of the Water Department, wished to relinquish some of the more strenuous duties incident to the operation of the water department, and that the water committee recommended that he be allowed to do this. Holt said the committee recommended that Skillman be retained as superintendent of the Water Department, together with his other supervisory and technical duties at an annual salary of \$1700 and a \$60.00 a (See GRANT, page 4)

## Board Takes No Action Following Hearing On Zoning Gaston Area

No action was taken by the Board of Commissioners here last Thursday night following a public hearing on zoning regulations for Gaston Lake area held in the court room.

The meeting, presided over by County Attorney James H. Limer, was attended by all members of the board of commissioners.

Prior to the meeting in the court room, the commissioners awarded a contract to Martin Plumbing and Heating Company of Warrenton for modifying the heating system at the Health Building. The bid of \$748.00 was the lowest bid received for comparable specifications.

Eight of the 17 property owners present at the hearing in the court room who will be affected by the proposed zoning ordinance for Gaston Lake voiced opposition to the ordinance. Four property owners proposed zoning and the remaining five didn't express their feelings either way.

According to the Littleton Observer, which gave full coverage to the meeting:

The majority of those opposing the zoning plan said they thought their property was too far from the lake to be included in the zoning area.

Following a discussion George Monaghan, representa-

tive of the Community planning Division for the State Development, with the aid of a map showing the area to be zoned, asked if the property owners would object to using the Virginia Electric Power Company's powerline as one of the zoning boundaries. The majority consented to using this power line as a boundary.

During the evening a number of questions were asked and answered. Some of these included: Where would you go if you wanted to get a building permit? Could we get out of the zoning ordinance if we decided later we did not want it? Can the zoning ordinance be changed? What are you planning for? Do you think we are ready for zoning?

Monaghan explained that a zoning administrator would have to be appointed and that building permits would be obtained from him. In any case where the administrator's opinion is thought to be contrary or objectionable to what a builder desires, the builder may make an appeal to a board of adjustment. The board of adjustment would be made up of people of the area, who could work out hardships arising because of the lay of the land, creeks, ditches, etc., the group was told.

Monaghan said that the Warren County Board of Commissioners, which sponsored the hearing, is the only body which could rezone the property for other uses. The zoning could be completely dropped, Monaghan said.

Monaghan said that the planning board could not tell a property owner what to do with his land, but he said the board had hoped people would establish marinas, Girl and Boy Scout camps, and church group camps. The planning board had recommended that the entire area be zoned as residential at the present and proposed only rules and regulations for an orderly development, Monaghan said. In setting the boundaries, the board followed (See HEARING, page 4)

## Mrs. Wood Is Heart Chmn.

Mrs. A. A. Wood of Warrenton has accepted the position of president of the Warren County Heart Council, according to an announcement made by Dr. Harvey E. Estes of Durham, president of the North Carolina Heart Association.

The members of the council who have been appointed to serve with Mrs. Wood are Dr. J. J. Allen, M.D., who will serve as medical representative in supplying scientific publications and information to physicians, nurses and members of other health professions who work with heart patients; Mrs. W. K. Lanier, Jr., publicity chairman; and Pettway Boyd, treasurer.

Diseases of the heart and blood vessels cause more deaths in Warren County than any other disease, according to Mrs. Wood. For the state as a whole, heart and blood vessel diseases last year accounted for 19,810, or 52.5% of all deaths, with cancer second with 12.3%.

## Thompsons Given Award At Lions Club

Mr. and Mrs. Tim Thompson, winners in the annual Christmas Decorations Contest sponsored by the Warrenton Lions Club, received a cash award here Friday night during the regular meeting of the local Lions Club held at Hotel Warren.

A first-place award of \$15 was presented to Mr. and Mrs. Thompson during the meeting and Lions sent a \$10 award to Mr. and Mrs. B. G. White, who were unable to attend the meeting.

Discussion of Lions conventions was headed by Lions W. Monroe Gardner and J. Howard Daniel during the meeting attended by 54 Lions and guests.

On hand for the meeting were six members of the Epson Lions Club, who brought with them the Jungle Prowler Award designed to stimulate interclub visitation.

Eddie Clayton, husband of the former Miss Jean House of Warrenton and an employee of the Henderson Vulcanizing Co. of Henderson, was welcomed as a new member of the club.

Lions were reminded during the meeting of the forthcoming visit of the District Governor of District 31-G, scheduled for Jan. 25.

Niles Seris was a guest of Lion Hy Diamond.

Different Hazel Williams The Hazel Williams charged with drunken driving in Recorder's Court on January 4 is not Mrs. Hazel Seaman Williams, an employee of Warrenton Furniture Exchange in Warrenton.

Mr. Horton Hawks of Norlina is a patient in Warren General Hospital.



CARLTON H. HUNT

## Warren Boy Receives \$700.00 Scholarship

Carlton Horace Hunt of Rt. 2 Macon, a freshman at State College, has been awarded a \$700 scholarship to continue his college education.

The scholarship was given by Smith-Douglass Co., Inc., fertilizer and chemical manufacturers, which annually makes scholarships available to deserving students.

Carlton, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Horace F. Hunt, is majoring in agriculture. At the present time he is undecided about the future but plans to do some form of agriculture after completing his formal education.

Since 1954 Smith-Douglass has contributed \$34,400 for 50 scholarships at North Carolina State College.

Smith-Douglass, which makes most of its scholarships awards through the 4-H and FFA programs, has aided 379 youths in 10 colleges and universities throughout the country over the past several years. The company has home offices in Norfolk, Va., and 15 plants throughout the country including those at Kingston and Wilmington, North Carolina.

## Little Garden Club Opposes I-S Highways Billboards

The Little Garden Club of Warrenton has joined a growing list of civic clubs over the state which are opposing the erection of billboards on inter-state highways.

Meeting here on last week, the Warrenton club, after discussion approved the "Billboard Law" to be submitted to the 1963 legislature and petitioned Rep. John Kerr, Jr., to give it his consideration.

Duane Raver, Jr., of the North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission and managing editor of the magazine, "Wildlife," was guest speaker at the meeting held at the home of Mrs. Scott Gardner.

Raver, introduced by Mrs. Nat White, spoke on Conservation, its basic concepts and how these are carried on by the Wildlife Resources Commission.

Each member was given literature in the subject and was requested to actively participate in conserving the wildlife of the state.

Mrs. Gardner served delicious refreshments. The February meeting will be held on Thursday, Feb. 7, at 10:30 a. m. at Wesley Memorial Church at

which time a speaker will discuss Japanese arrangement of flowers.

## Hotel Warren Dining Room Is Now Open

The Hotel Warren Dining Room is now open for business, A. C. Fair, chairman of the hotel corp. committee, announced Thursday.

Fair said that the hotel dining room would be operated under the direction of Mrs. Louise Haithcock.

## To Teach Study Book

Mrs. L. C. Vereen will teach the Study Book, "Responsible Adults for Tomorrow's World of Children," by Jan. Ault, in Wesley Memorial Methodist Church on Monday, January 28, at 7:30 p. m. All interested persons from local churches and country churches are cordially invited to attend.

## Men's Club To Meet

The Warrenton Presbyterian Men's Club will have its regular meeting at the church on Monday night, January 21, at 7 p. m.

## Plans Being Drawn For Negro School

Construction on a Consolidated Negro elementary school in the southern part of the county is expected to start within about 90 days, J. Rodger Peeler, superintendent of schools, told the board of education in session here on Monday night.

Plans for the building to replace a number of small frame buildings are now being drawn by Architect Owen Smith of Raleigh and are expected to be completed within sixty days. Peeler said that after the plans are approved, a call for bids would have to be advertised for three weeks.

Members of the board expressed the opinion that now, it would be unlikely that a contractor would begin work before the opening of the spring weather.

The board members selected 15 acres from a larger plot submitted by Tom Brown, and agreed to pay \$100 for an additional 7/8 of an acre to round out the selected site.

A delegation from the North Warren High School appeared before the board to request four immediate improvements at that school and several long range plans for the improvement of the school. George Washington, principal of the school, accompanied the delegation to the short hearing held upstairs in the courtroom, but took no part in the discussion, led by FTA members.

Principal interest of the delegation was in the building of a lunchroom at the North Warren Schools, which has been without lunchroom service for some time since the school cafeteria was closed by the Board of Health.

Other immediate needs as presented by the delegation were for six additional classrooms, completed walks, and fire extinguishers.

Long range needs were listed as an adequate library, an adequate science department, a gymnasium, a guidance center, purchase of land for the gymnasium, a trade and industry shop, with a recommendation that water should be installed in the present shop immediately, and loading ramps for children getting on and off the buses.

Peeler told the group that the need for the lunchroom is recognized by the Board of Education, and that it is hoped that it can be started before too long, but that he could make no definite promise as to when construction could be started. He said that funds for the cafeteria

had been accumulated once, but work had to be postponed when a fire at Ellington school caused the county to purchase two mobile classrooms at Northside. The building, to be constructed by the school maintenance crews and members of the trade school at North Warren, is expected to cost some \$20,000.

Peeler also told the group that if additional classrooms were built at Northside, that the six additional classrooms would not be needed at North Warren.

Board chairman Eugene Davis thanked the delegation for its interest, pointed out that the county is short of money, and promised to do all that the board could to improve conditions at the North Warren school.

Returning to their room following the hearing, the members of the board of education, entered a discussion of needs for more funds and pressing problems as well as long-range problems for the Warren County schools.

The most pressing problems is one of rewiring the John Graham High School, according to specifications as submitted by an electrical engineer employed by the board. Supt. Peeler said that temporary repairs had (See BOARD, Page 4)

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## Differences At Wise Are Now Settled

The differences of opinion that has split the Wise community over the question of leasing the abandoned school building was resolved by the Board of Education here on Monday night.

The Board voted to lease the building on a yearly basis for five years to the newly formed Wise-Paschall Ruritan Club, with the privilege of cancelling the lease during any year of that period should events dictate such action.

With its application for leasing the building, the Ruritan Club submitted a copy of its by-laws as requested by the board at a previous meeting for any club applying for the lease. It was stated that all parties at Wise were favorable to the lease being made to the Ruritan Club.

In granting the lease the Board of Education reserved the use of the first floor of the brick building for storage purposes.

## Accepts Position

Mrs. Sol Perkinson has accepted a position as bookkeeper with C&S Tractor & Equipment Co.



DIXON WARD takes the oath of office before Joe N. Ellis, Clerk of Court, in town commissioners room following his election to the town board to succeed David Dickerson, who resigned several months ago. Ward, the son of Mrs. V. F. Ward and the late Mr. Ward, who served for several terms on the board, was unanimously elected by the commissioners following his nomination by Commissioner A. C. Fair. Ward, a graduate of MIT, Boston, is manager of Traylor Appliances of Norfolk. Married to the former Sarah Kearney Burton, he is the father of three young daughters.