



It's a long way to China, but three youngsters at Kerr Lake appear unperturbed by thoughts of distance as they begin construction of a tunnel through the earth. But the shaft was abandoned moments later when the boys spied

an empty inner tube floating nearby and climbed aboard, leaving the tunnel to China in favor of an adventure at sea. See related editorial on page 6.

(Staff Photo)

Contracts For School Bldgs. To Be Awarded

Bids Cut; Work Set To Begin

Contracts for the erection of a Negro elementary school in South Warren and for additional classrooms at Northside are expected to be signed this week, J. Roger Peeler, superintendent of schools, said Tuesday. Work is expected to be started on both projects immediately.

The signing of the contracts was made possible by a reduction in bids by contractors from \$318,847 to approximately \$310,000, due to some minor changes in specifications.

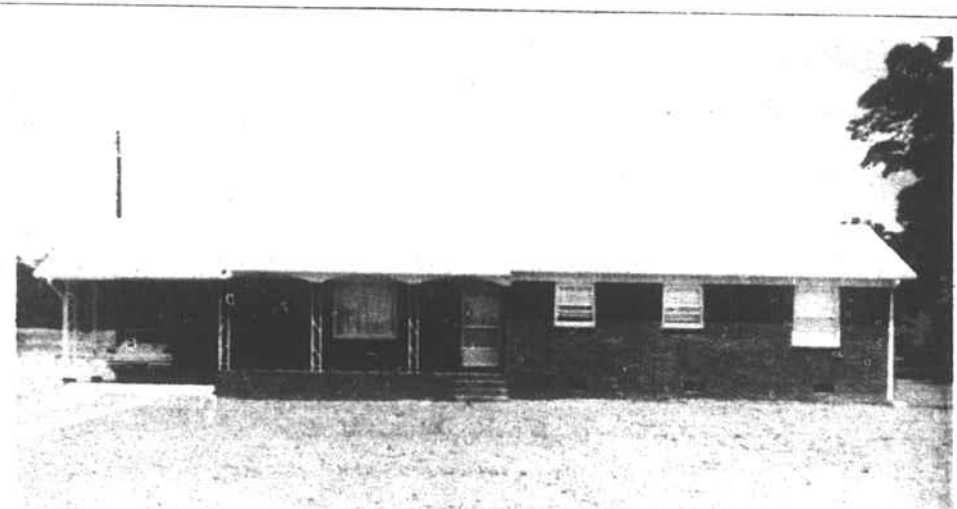
Owen Smith of Raleigh, architect for the two projects, appeared before the board of education Monday night to explain the modifications in plans, which were acceptable to the board.

Supt. Peeler, at the Monday night meeting, said that he had been informed by Richard R. Davis, a member of the board of county commissioners, that he would discuss with his board the first Monday in July a site for a school administration building. Davis had indicated that the board of education could use either the Hendricks lot back of the court house or a lot near the hospital. Peeler asked the board members to make known their wishes to the commissioners before the July meeting.

The Board approved the employment of Mrs. E. K. Fishel of Littleton as guidance counselor for the three white high schools of the county. Peeler said that counselors would also be employed for both the John R. Hawkins and the North Warren Negro high schools. Mrs. Fishel, a former teacher at Littleton, has taken a special course in guidance at East Carolina College.

The Board approved the election of Grover Cleveland Cardell as teacher at Hawkins High School and Annie K. Bullock as teacher in the Hawkins Elementary School. The Board also approved the resignation of Levonia Street-er of Heck Grove School.

The employment of Watts and Byrd, accountants, to audit all Warren County school financial records was approved contingent upon their employment by the county, which is expected. J. Comer Griffin of Wilmington appeared before the board in regard to his candidacy for the position of assistant superintendent of Warren County schools. He is one of several seeking this (See CONTRACTS, page 4)



NEW BAPTIST PARSONAGE AT WISE to be dedicated Sunday

Wise Parsonage Dedication Planned

The new parsonage of the New Baptist Church will be dedicated at the morning worship hour at 11 a. m. Sunday, June 30. Open house will be held in the afternoon from 2:30 until 4 o'clock.

The three bedroom, total

electric home was constructed by J. B. Thompson, Warren-ton contractor. The Rev. A. T. Ayscue, pastor of the church, Mrs. Ayscue and their two daughters moved into the new home last month. Members of the building committee were W. H. Hawks, chairman; Miss Emma Dunn, C. H. Thompson, Mrs. M. A. Paynter, G. W. Tunstall, Mrs. W. W. St. Sing, Eugene Young and Mrs. M. S. Dryden.

Warren Red Cross Chapter To Cease Operation This Month

Apathy and lack of funds have combined to spell the end of local Red Cross work in Warren County, Mrs. A. D. Harris of Warrenton, executive secretary of the county chapter, announced this week.

Mrs. Harris, who also has been a home service case-worker for the Red Cross here since 1951, said chapter operations would end June 30. "Warren County will be the only county in the state that I know of which will have no local Red Cross headquarters," she said. Mrs. Harris blamed lack of citizen interest and limited operating funds as the main reasons behind the planned shutdown of local Red Cross facilities.

"You just can't find people

who will take the responsibility for keeping a chapter here," she said. Mrs. Harris added that the annual fund drive held in March fell more than \$1,500 short of expectation. "We have to send approximately 40 per cent of our contributions to national headquarters. After this had been sent this year, we just didn't have enough to go on," she said.

The campaign, headed by Thomas E. Watson of Warrenton, netted \$827.40. Mrs. Harris said that Watson and W. Faulk Alston, rural chairman, worked hard during the campaign, but the response was poor.

In order to be officially recognized as a chapter, Mrs.

Harris said, a county must have a home service case-worker responsible for the service man's dependents. Also required is a disaster chairman, a post filled by A. C. Fair for more than a decade.

Currently serving as chapter chairman is Mrs. Malvern Hayes of Wise. Mrs. J. R. Paschall, also of Wise, has been co-chairman for four years, and Stephen Rodwell of Warrenton is treasurer. When J. E. Cheves of Warrenton left the post in 1961 after ten years.

Although Mrs. Harris, Mrs. Hayes and Mrs. Paschall are resigning effective June 30, Mrs. Harris said she hopes the chapter could be revitalized. "I think it would be awful for the boys to be drafted when there was no chapter here to take care of their loved one," Mrs. Harris said.

Mrs. Harris has been the only salaried Red Cross employee in the county since 1951. "I have worked for nothing at times, and the most my salary has been was \$50.00 per month; I have been forced to carry on Red Cross business in my own home since funds for office rental were exhausted three years ago," she said.

Since 1951 the local chapter has trained 16 nurses, aides, given advanced first aid courses to 16 rural firemen, and trained 16 Negro citizens in home nursing. Currently one Red Cross Grey Lady spends one or two days of volunteer work in the Warren General Hospital.

Looking over the accomplishments of the chapter, Mrs. Harris extended her appreciation to "the many people who have helped me during the past years in my Red Cross work."

Warren Negroes Seeking Increased Civic Participation

A campaign to encourage more "effective participation" in civic affairs among Negro citizens of Franklin and Warren Counties will be launched in the two counties Saturday and will continue through August 23.

Announcement of the citizenship education project involving a group of students under the auspices of the American Friends Service Committee was made this week by Ernest Turner, chairman or the steering committee.

The group will consist of 12 college students from various states including North Carolina and from England and Africa. The Rev. James Howard from Philadelphia, Pa., will be the group's leader. He will be accompanied by his wife and two children. They all will live in Warren, Tenn.

Turner said the project comes at the invitation of citizens from the communities in which the project group will work, and it will act under the direction of a steering committee composed of leaders of these communities.

"This," Turner said, "is a project in citizenship education. It will work through local organizations in setting up a series of workshops, designed to increase knowledge on the part of local citizens about local, state, and national government and to encourage more effective participation in civic affairs." The project members will also participate in various aspects of community life—churches, work projects, recreation, home visiting and meetings of other organizations.

"Since the promotion of freedom at home and abroad requires that each citizen exercise his rights fully and fearlessly, religious, social (See CAMPAIGN, page 4)

Expenditure Figure Listed Incorrectly

Warren County's overall expenditures under the tentative budget submitted by the board of county commissioners last week total \$547,264.37, and not \$734,863.37 as stated in this newspaper last week. The error was due to error in addition of figures in this office, and is regretted.

The error in the amount of total expenditures has no bearing on the 1963-64 tax rate. If the tentative budget is adopted by the commissioners after lying open for 20 days the tax rate will be \$1.75, a 5c increase over the 1962-63 budget.

Farm Income Could Receive Big Boost

Warren County's farm income could be boosted by more than \$90,000 this year—provided farmers ask for it.

Farm Bureau officials estimate that 907 farmers would average \$100 each in gasoline tax refunds if they meet a Sept. 30 deadline. Refunds are available for both state and federal taxes paid on gasoline used for non-highway use from July 1, 1962, to June 30, 1963.

Last year 150 Warren farmers received more than \$15,000 in refunds, but more than 750 farmers failed to file for refunds.

Filing forms and information on how to fill them out are available at no charge from the Warren County Farm Bureau office secretary. Record books for listing gasoline used during a year are free to Bureau members and for a ten-cent fee to any other county farmer.

Warrenton Firms To Take July 4 Holiday

A number of Warrenton business firms will remain open Wednesday afternoon, but all firms will be closed on the following day in observance of the July 4th holiday, W. K. Lanier, Jr., president of the Warrenton Merchants Association, announced yesterday.

Newspaper Will Be Published Day Early

Due to the July 4 holiday falling on Thursday, The Warren Record will be printed on Wednesday—a day early.

Advertisers, correspondents and others wishing to have news items inserted in next week's paper are asked to have their copy in this office a day earlier.

Birth and Death
Mr. and Mrs. James Clark of Richmond, Va., announce the birth and death of a son on June 18. Mrs. Clark is the former Miss Hazel Allen of Warrenton.

Fire Fighting Gear Has Not Been Found

Forest Service equipment used in fighting the recent "Big Fire" near Warrenton is still missing, Wilbur F. Davis, Warren County Forest Ranger, said this week.

He listed the missing equipment as two back pumps and two fire rakes.

"Davis asks that anyone knowing the location of this equipment please call him before 7 a. m. or after 7 p. m. or write to him at Rt. 2, Macon, N. C. His telephone number is 521-0.

Presbyterian Services
The Rev. James H. Grant, Jr., of the Union Theological Seminary of Richmond, Va., will conduct the 11 o'clock worship service at the Warrenton Presbyterian Church on Sunday morning, June 30.



Four tree farmers were recognized for their management of Warren County woodlands Wednesday night during a meeting of the Warren County Forestry Club at Satterwhite Point in Vance County. In photo at left, J. Allen Minetree of Henderson, forester with Union Bag Camp Paper Corp. (left) presents a metal sign to Leonard G. Bender of Ridgeway, and R. A. Southerland and A. T. Harris, both of Henderson. A fourth



tree farmer, H. B. Bender of Ridgeway, was not present when certificates and tree farm signs were presented. At right, club members are shown during a fish fry which preceded the awards presentation. The meal was served by women of the Arcola Community Club. Paul Anderson, superintendent of the Kerr Reservoir Development Commission, was guest speaker for the occasion.

Gaston Dam Dedicated

By RUTH MINCHER

A happy, interested crowd of more than 4,000 heard Governor Terry Sanford stress "Veeco's faith in this area's future and my faith in you who live here to work with them toward industrial accomplishments which will benefit all." The occasion was the dedication of the Gaston Dam and Hydroelectric Power Station, held Wednesday at the site of the tremendous project.

The governor made his talk under a tent which housed many dignitaries from North Carolina and Virginia, officials of Virginia Electric and Power Company as well as area officials. The ceremonies were held overlooking the beautiful Lake Gaston site, formed in back of the dam. A barbecue dinner was served, which was followed by a tour of the dam.

A. L. Jameson, vice-president of the southern division of VEPCO, presided as master of ceremonies, introducing officers and directors of the Richmond, Va., office.

State Senator W. Lunsford Crew of Roanoke Rapids gave the welcoming address and touched briefly on the histories of the two states and spoke of their contributions to each other and to the nation through the years.

A. H. McDowell, Jr., president of the Warrenton Boost-

Hospital Surgeon Leaves On Tuesday

Dr. Wirt L. Davis, surgeon at Warren General Hospital for the past year, has left Warrenton for a three-year orthopedic surgery residency at the Medical College of Virginia.

Davis' resignation did not catch hospital officials by surprise, but F. P. Whitley, administrator, said Wednesday "no replacement is in sight" for Dr. Davis.

"We won't be able to perform any surgery," Whitley said. "We have written everywhere we can think of, and we have had one or two persons to express interest, but we have no definite commitments."

A native of South Hill, Va., Dr. Davis, his wife and infant son moved to Richmond on Tuesday. He came to Warrenton General Hospital in June, 1962, to succeed Dr. Lemuel R. Kornegay, surgeon here since the hospital opened in 1951.

Whitley said the loss of Dr. Davis would appreciably hurt the hospital. Currently the 35-bed hospital has a patient load averaging slightly above 22 patients daily. The patient load is expected to drop as surgery cases are turned away.

"We will try to keep our operating room trained personnel," Whitley said. At present two registered nurses, an anesthetist and two aides comprise the operating room staff. "In the event we are successful in obtaining a surgeon in the near future, we don't want to have to start over training people to help in the operating room," Whitley said.

Boosters To Borrow \$2,500 For Lights

A plan to borrow \$2,500 for improving lighting at the John Graham High School athletic field was approved here Tuesday night at a meeting of the Warrenton Boost-

ers Club. Members voted to borrow funds to provide a new lighting system capable of providing sufficient illumination for night baseball games.

The new lighting system, expected to be installed by August 15, will operate for one-fourth the cost of the present system. Heading the light committee is Peyton Rogers, Warrenton businessman.

W. A. Benson, Boosters president, said the club also voted to spend \$500 for fence to encircle the field. He said the fence would be patterned after other fences used by schools in the area to keep dogs off the playing field.

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Breaks Hip
Mrs. L. H. Cook is a patient in Rex Hospital, Raleigh, with a broken hip she sustained in a fall on Tuesday. She was accompanied to Raleigh by Mr. Cook and Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Boyce.

In Hospital
Mrs. Norman Halthcock, Jr., is in Warren General Hospital for treatment.

(Staff Photo)