

County Population Decline Expected To Continue

Warren County's population loss, which started in the 1950-1960 decade, is expected to continue for the next two decades, according to a study released by the State Department of Conservation and Development in Raleigh.

The population of the county, which was 23,539 at the time of the 1950 census, is expected to have fallen to 12,370 by 1980, according to the study. In a little more than six years, by 1970, the total number of persons in the county is predicted to be 15,730.

The study predicts population losses for 48 of the state's 100 counties by 1980 and net gains for 52 counties. The state's population as a whole will exceed five and one-half million if present trends continue. This would be a gain of 991,764 over the 1960 census figures of 4,556,155.

Most of the increase of almost a million persons by 1980 is indicated in the urban Piedmont counties. Heavy population losses are predicted for some rural eastern and mountain counties, with Warren County suffering a 37 per cent loss.

These figures and predictions are taken from a major study recently completed by demographers Josey Perry, formerly with the Division of Community Planning of the State Department of Conservation and Development, and Dr. C. Horace Hamilton, a member of the faculty of North Carolina State, the University of North Carolina at Raleigh.

Known as "1980 Population Projections for North Carolina Counties," the study contains a detailed projection for each county by age, race and sex for 1970 and 1980 as well as the official 1960 census. Commenting on the report Director Robert L. Stallings, Jr. of the Department of Conservation and Development said:

"Calculations in this study are based on present known trends which can be favorably changed by local and state efforts to provide more job opportunities." The authors said they devised a program for high-speed computer analysis of population trends to make projections for ten-year periods. They said the projections are precise statistical results of a continuation of past and present age-specific net trends in births, deaths, and migration.

Warren Tobacco Allotment Is Cut By 598.62 Acres

Five-cured tobacco allotments for Warren County have been cut 598.62 acres by the U. S. Department of Agriculture, T. E. Watson, ASCS office manager here, reported this week.

Watson said that the 1964 county tobacco allotment is 5,433.25 acres on 1,862 farms—an average of 2.92 acres per farm. Official allotment notices to farm operators in Warren County were mailed Wednesday. Included, in addition to tobacco allotments, were allotments for cotton and peanuts.

Leaf Market Closes Record Season; 12 Million Pounds Sold

The Warrenton Tobacco Market lowered the curtain on a record season last week when five warehouses closed their doors for another year.

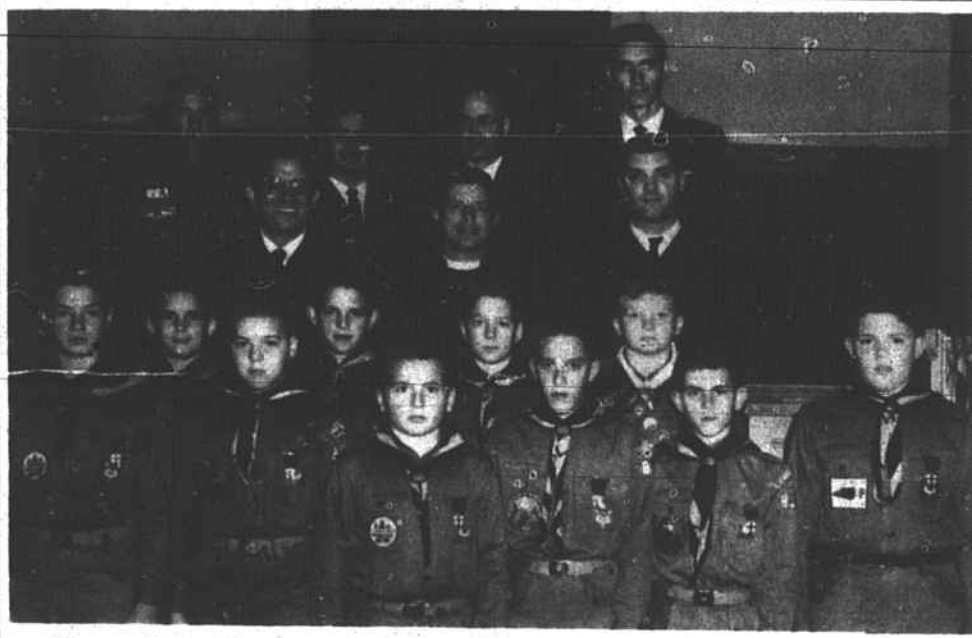
Edgar Wood, market sales supervisor, reported this week that the local tobacco market sold 12,807,060 pounds before closing on last Wednesday. The record poundage exceeded the 1962 figure by 4,176 pounds.

Reward Is Offered By Norlina Board To End Break-ins

A \$200 reward has been offered by the Town of Norlina for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the person or persons responsible for a series of early morning break-ins in that community.

Warren Boy Scouts Receive God, Country Awards

Ten Warren County Boy Scouts were honored here Sunday night for service to God and country during a ceremony held at the Wesley Memorial Methodist Church.



Warren Boy Scouts receiving their God and Country awards here in a ceremony at Wesley Memorial Methodist Church Sunday night were, left to right, Randy Currin, Jimmy Barrett, Leon Edmonds, Dwight Ayscue, Edward Shearin, John Boyd Davis, Pettway Boyd, Bert Massey, Nat White, and Billy Spruill.

Adult participants in the program included, left to right, Scoutmaster Leonard Daniel, the Rev. Troy Barrett, Douglas Coffield, the Rev. James Stoney, the Rev. John Link, the Rev. A. T. Ayscue, and the Rev. James Grant. (Staff Photo)

Autopsy Report Is Expected To Aid In Death Investigation

An autopsy report is expected to arrive here today as Warren County authorities continue their investigation of the death of a three-month-old boy found dead early Monday morning.

The child, Otis Lynch, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ossie Lynch of near Arcola, was found dead in bed some two hours after his mother reported the child in good health.

Funeral Services Held Tuesday For Mrs. John Rodgers

Funeral services for Mrs. Irene Link Rodgers, who died of a heart attack at her home on Wilcox Avenue here Monday afternoon, were held at 3 p. m. Tuesday at Wesley Memorial Methodist Church.

Cotton Vote Is Slated Tuesday

Assistant Co. Agent Resigns

Warren County's Assistant Negro Home Economics Agent has resigned, effective January 1.



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Norlina Boy Scout Gets Eagle Medal

A Norlina Boy Scout received the Eagle Scout award during the regular morning worship at the Norlina Methodist Church Sunday.

Growers To Determine Allotments

Warren County cotton growers will join in the 11th consecutive trek to the polls Tuesday, Dec. 10, to vote on marketing quotas for their upland cotton crop.

Club Members Show Holiday House

The Warrenton Garden Club presented a Holiday House to the community on Tuesday. Scores of persons viewed decorations by club members in the newly renovated Norwood house, loaned to the club by the owners, Mr. and Mrs. J. Boyd Davis of Warrenton.

Ready For Applicants

Job applicants seeking employment with two new manufacturing firms which have located in Littleton may get application forms here, Selby Benton, Bute Development Company president, said yesterday.

Salvation Army Unit Holds Annual Meet

An appeal to extend the spirit of Christmas to the hopeless and homeless was made here Monday night during the annual meeting of the Warren Salvation Army service unit.

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Funeral services for Elbert Turner Duncan were held Sunday at 2 p. m. at the Warrenton Baptist Church with interment in the Providence Methodist Church cemetery at Afton.

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A Christmas mood was set by decorations coordinated inside and out in traditional red and green. Fresh foliage was used throughout, with a lighted Christmas tree, mantle and table arrangements, window wreaths and window draping.

Mrs. Clyde Rodwell, chairman of the club's Ways and Means Committee, was in charge of planning the Holiday House, which was under the general direction of Mrs. Hugh White. Members of the club did the decorations, provided the refreshments and served as hostesses throughout the afternoon and evening.

Surviving are her husband, John Rodgers; one sister, Mrs. Rufus Foll of Salisbury; one brother, Robert Lee Link of Salisbury; and three nephews.

Mr. Duncan, 65, was killed in an automobile accident in Richmond, Va., on Thursday of last week.

Also fatally injured in the wreck was his daughter, Ellen, who died in a Richmond hospital early Thursday morning. Funeral services will be held at the Warrenton Baptist Church, Saturday at 2:30.

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