

Commissioners Endorse Nickels For Progress

The Board of County Commissioners on Monday afternoon endorsed a 5¢ tax for "Nickels for Warren County Progress."

"The Nickels for Warren County Progress" calls for the passage of a 5¢ levy on the \$100 valuation in a referendum to be held on May 30 funds from which would be used to promote the agricultural and industrial progress development of the county.

The Nickels program has already received the endorsement of a number of civic and patriotic organizations of the county and was endorsed by the commissioners at the request of Selby Benton, president of the Bute Development Company.

No one showed up at an advertised public hearing on Monday afternoon to protest a change in the classification of certain property in the Gaston Lake area. On motion of Commissioner Thorne, seconded by Commissioner Ellington and unanimously carried, it was ordered that a parcel of land in River Township, "as set out in the minutes of this board on April 9, 1964, be rezoned from residential to 'Lakeside Business Development Property.'"

Representatives for the Warrenton Rural Fire Department appeared before the commissioners to place a contribution for the department in the 1964-65 budget. The report showed receipts from the regular account in the amount of \$11,451.35 and disbursements in the amount of \$11,215.43. Receipts for the building of a fire house here, including a \$10,000 loan from the Citizens Bank, showed receipts of \$21,612.52 and disbursements in the amount of \$21,383.47.

Monroe Gardner acted as spokesman for the group in the absence of Fire Chief Jimmy Roberts. Other firemen present were Bill Connell, Charles Bowen and Walker Burwell.

Gardner said that the Warrenton Fire Department maintains its own trucks and makes all major repairs on trucks of the Auxiliary trucks. The parent company also buys the trucks for the four auxiliary companies, located at Afton-Elberon, Drewry, Arcola and Inez, and pays the insurance on all the firemen.

The commissioners last year donated \$1,000 towards the construction of a fire house at Warrenton and \$8,000 towards the operation of the department. Gardner said that he hoped that the commissioners could make a similar donation for the 1964-65 fiscal year.

Dr. C. H. Woodburn was granted an off-premises beer license and William Joe Pernel, trading as Billy's Sandwich Shop was granted an on-premises beer license.

A. P. Rodwell, tax collector, reported taxes collected for the year in the amount of \$526,777.27. Of this amount \$10,174.91, was collected during the month of April.

Local Girl Scout Awarded Bracelet

Ten Warrenton Girl Scouts sold 444 boxes of cookies during the recent Scout Cookie Sale here, it was reported at a regular meeting of the Scout troop at the Methodist Church on Monday afternoon.

Marilyn White, who sold 225 boxes of the cookies, received a Girl Scout charm bracelet in recognition of her salesmanship. Other Scouts received book marks.

Mrs. Jimmie Roberts was in charge of the meeting.



JAMES OVERBY, JR.



RONALD ROSE

Warren County Boys Named To Boys' State

Two Warren County boys, rising seniors at John Graham High School at Warrenton and Norlina High School, have been selected to attend Boys' State at Chapel Hill during the week of June 14-20 by Limer Post No. 25 of the American Legion.

Boys' State is an objective citizenship school in which the nation's boy leaders gain a true concept of the ideals and objectives, the function and operation of the government, a member of the Legion pointed out yesterday.

Selected to attend the school were James Milton Overby, Jr., from John Graham and Ronald

Boyd Rose of Norlina High School.

Overby is the son of Mr. and Mrs. James Milton Overby, Sr., of Rt. 1, Littleton. He is president of the 4-H Club, reporter of the Junior Class, assistant editor on the John Graham Annual Staff. He is also assistant secretary of the Sunday School at Reedy Creek Baptist Church.

Rose is the son of Mr. and Mrs. M. P. Rose of Norlina. He is vice-president of the Junior Class and a member of the Bata Club. He is also treasurer of the Jerusalem Church Sunday School.

School Bond Issue To Be Submitted

Governor Terry Sanford Friday announced that the election on the school construction bonds, authorized by the 1963 General Assembly, will be set for November 3, the date of the general election.

The Governor said: "This decision is based on conversations with many school and legislative leaders and county commissioners. It is announced as a definite date so local officials might make necessary construction estimates and programs now."

"Based on construction needs which showed a classroom shortage of at least \$250 million, the General Assembly felt the State should aid in this construction to the extent of \$100 million."

"This appears to me to be a reasonable contribution by the State. I hope it will pass and

I will help campaign for it. However, I would expect it to be promoted by General Assembly members, and especially by county commissioners and local school board members, on a bi-partisan basis, for school construction is the primary responsibility of these local officials."

"I hope this effort by the State to help in local school construction will be of considerable benefit, but I hope it will not cause the counties to lessen their efforts."

"Many local schools can be improved by local funds. I hope county commissioners and local officials will try even harder. Some can build now with local funds. Some can provide local supplements for teachers. Some can provide additional teachers for subjects now neglected, such as science and languages. Some

Man Found Not Guilty On Possession Charge

Two defendants, charged with violations of the prohibition laws, were in Warren County Recorder's Court last Friday when one was found not guilty and the other appealed two 12 months road sentences.

The court ruled that Edward Burnett, charged with possession of non-taxpaid whiskey, was found not guilty.

Enoch Green faced the court on two charges of whiskey laws violation, possession of whiskey for the purpose of sale and transporting non-taxpaid whiskey. He was sentenced to 12 months on the roads on each count. Appearance bond was set at \$150 in each case when he appealed a 12 months road sentence on each count.

Burwell Yancey, found guilty of assault and sentenced to the roads for 90 days, noted an appeal. Appearance bond was set at \$150.

George Edward Davis, Jr., was sentenced to the roads

for 90 days when he was found guilty of larceny.

Willie Lee Russell, who pled guilty to a charge of assault, (See COURT, page 4)

Horse Show To Be Held Here In June

The Warrenton Rural Volunteer Fire Department will sponsor a horse show here in June to raise money for the building fund.

Walter Bender, publicity chairman for the department, announced yesterday that the horse show would be held at the Warrenton Fair Grounds on June 14 at 12:30, and that lunch would also be available.

Bender said that tickets for the event would go on sale Monday and may be purchased from any local firemen or members of auxiliary units in the county.

Jurors Are Drawn For June Term

Jurors for the June criminal term of Warren County Superior Court were drawn by the county commissioners on Monday as follows:

Cyrus Boyd, Sr., Mrs. R. D. Miles, Raymond Clark, Mrs. Evelyn S. Pittman, Mrs. James E. Perkinson, Kenneth S. Tucker, Bettie H. Howard, M. P. Rose, C. W. Egerton, Jr., Mrs. Maggie Atkins, Robert Thompson, E. K. Fishel, J. W. King, Arthur Moseley, George R. Johnston, J. H. Brantley, C. T. Perkinson, John L. Lynch, Mrs. R. Y. Spain, J. Lee Williams, R. Y. Spain.

Romeo L. Powell, Grady C. Wilson, Harvey B. King, Mrs. A. K. Mustian, J. W. Shearin, David Bell, J. C. Pegram, Ivan Young, C. F. Burrows, J. C. Robertson, Willie Gray Gupton, Leland Gottschalk, Joe Henry King, Mrs. Robert M. Davis, C. L. Hege, Mrs. W. G. Coleman, John Thomas Harris, Mrs. John R. Link, J. S. Whitby, Vincent Williams, W. E. Perry, Jr., William E. Shearin, Donald W. Pitchford, Hugh R. Felts, E. L. Meadows.

Mrs. Clyde V. Whitford, W. P. Bowers, Sidney G. Burton, Alfred L. Cooke, Mrs. J. E. Cheves, Leon Joseph Cook, Mrs. B. G. White, Mrs. Margaret Blaylock, J. D. Pope, L. L. King, Mrs. Leon P. Pridgen, J. H. Burchett, Bravid L. Watson, Margaret C. Kimball, Plummer Y. Harris, W. Clinton Capps, Grandison Christmas, George Smith, Mrs. Clyde A. Spraggins, J. O. Knight, Mrs. Sammie D. King, Jesse Young, Mrs. J. Howard Daniel, John A. Dore, Harvey Davis, E. L. Perry, H. A. Donald, Walter J. Harris, James E. Perkinson.

Kennedy Library Fund Tickets Must Be In By May 13

Tickets for The Kennedy Library Fund activities in Kenan Stadium in Chapel Hill on May 17, must be turned in by next Wednesday, May 13, Bigmall Jones, County chairman, announced yesterday.

Jones said that a number of tickets for Warren County are still available at \$10.00 each and asked that those wishing to buy a ticket to honor the late John F. Kennedy contact him as early as possible. He said that a child under 15 would be given a free ticket to accompany his parents.

Among the speakers for the event, which will be filmed in color as a gift to Mrs. Kennedy will be Dr. Billy Graham and Secretary of Commerce Luther Hodges. Present also will be national and state dignitaries.

Kilian Funeral Held On Monday

Funeral services for John George Kilian, 67, who died on Saturday, were conducted Monday at 3 p. m. at St. Paul's Lutheran Church by the pastor, the Rev. M. E. Franke. Burial was in the church cemetery.

Mr. Kilian was a member of St. Paul's Lutheran Church and a veteran of World War I. Mr. Kilian was well known as a bee keeper and an antique dealer throughout the State.

Surviving are his wife, the former Lillie Anna Kilian; two sons, Frank and John of Ridgeway; one brother, Willie Kilian of Ridgeway; and one grand son.

BANKS TO CLOSE

The Citizens Bank of Warrenton and the Peoples Bank of Norlina will be closed on Monday, May 11, in observance of the Memorial Day holiday.

MOVE OFFICE

The Home Security Life Insurance Company has moved its office from upstairs in the Rogers Building to new quarters in the Gardner Building on Main Street.

Warren Hospital In Financial Trouble, Director Tells Board

Dr. Young Resigns As Health Director

Dr. Robert F. Young has resigned as Warren County Health Officer, effective June 30.

The Halifax County Health Director, who has been giving two days a week to Warren County, told the commissioners that he desired to devote his full time to his duties in Halifax County.

Dr. Young said that it would be hard to find a better staff than the present one of the Warren County Health Department and also expressed his appreciation to the commissioners for the fine support given him.

He also reviewed some of the accomplishments of the Health Department since he became part-time director in February, 1963.

In reply to a question as to what did he think of the employment of a part-time health di-

rector with Franklin County as his replacement, Dr. Young said that he thought such an arrangement would be ideal. However, he suggested that the department's plan of operation be changed so that the health director would have more power in the hiring and firing of personnel. "You will not be able to keep a good man," he said, "unless he has control over his staff with full power to terminate employment." Much of this power is now invested in the Warren County Board of Health.

The commissioners expressed their regrets over the resignation of Dr. Young, expressed the pleasure the board had derived from working with him, and thanked him for his contributions to health work in Warren County.

Celebration To Be Held At Lake Monday

By ERIC W. RODGERS

JOHN H. KERR DAM, VA.-Governors of Virginia and North Carolina and a General of the Army will join with citizens of Virginia and North Carolina on Monday, May 11, to celebrate the arrival of the 20 Millionth Visitor to the John H. Kerr Dam since the dam was dedicated October 3, 1952.

Governor Albertis S. Harrison, Jr. of Virginia, Governor Terry Sanford of the State of North Carolina and Major General A. C. Welling, USA, Division Engineer of the U. S. Army Engineer Division, South Atlantic, will be on the program for brief remarks and will join in the welcome of the 20 Millionth Visitor. The program is scheduled to start at 2:00 o'clock at the North Bend Recreation Area just northwest of the John H. Kerr Dam. Itself and an invitation is extended to citizens of North Carolina and Virginia to attend the cere-

monies. The program for the occasion actually got underway this week when the North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission and the Fisheries Division of the Virginia Freshwater and Game Commission released more than 200 large mouth bass, 50 striped bass and some crappies and bream into the lake, all these fish being tagged. Towns and cities around the reservoir have contributed prizes valued at more than \$1,500 and these will be given to those who catch the fish and bring the tags to the celebration and present them at the speaker's stand. Prizes also may be claimed at the Henderson and Clarksville Chambers of Commerce. Not all of the tagged fish will entitle those catching them to receive awards but lists of the prizes and the numbers which have been selected for prizes have been posted throughout the area at various landings and towns.

It is anticipated that the 20 Millionth Visitor, according to visiting statistics kept since the dam was dedicated, will enter the reservation either Sunday or early Monday and forest ranger (See LAKE, page 4)



FRED HURST, JR.

Warrenton Boy Is Chosen To Attend Methodist Caravan

Fred Hurst, Jr., a rising sophomore at North Carolina Wesleyan College, Rocky Mount, will be one of eight students and two adult counselors to go on the North Carolina Conference Methodist European Caravan this summer. The Rev. and Mrs. Junius Neeze of Roanoke Rapids are the counselors.

The group of ten will leave Weldon on June 2 and visit in Methodist home and churches in England, Germany and Austria. They will have work projects in Lubeck, Germany, and Linz, Austria. They will tour in the above countries as well as in Italy, Switzerland and France. The group will return on August 11.

Fred is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hurst of Warrenton.

Text Of Richards' Statement

The text of Richards' talk to the county commissioners follows:

"Mr. Chairman, County Commissioners, I am sure that you have seen in the local Warren Record and read that the County Hospital is fighting, first for its very continued existence, and secondly to better medical care in Warren County, particularly at the hospital. "We have in the county at present a good foundation upon which to build. We have a well designed hospital physical facility, we have doctors who are dedicated to serving the citizens of Warren County.

"However, the hospital has at this time specific needs which are difficult to obtain from the patient income. Any building equipment that is over 10 years of age needs to be revamped or renovated. Specifically we need practically every room painted, the roof leaks in several places, our air conditioning in the operating room and delivery room, a necessity to maintain licensure by the medical care commission, is getting weaker and weaker.

"Our financial condition is beyond belief. Regularly we wonder if we can make payroll. We have cut our staff to the minimum. We have approximately \$10,000 worth of beds built up, some from the first of March. Once this month our bank balance fell as low as \$89.26.

"In order to have the citizens of Warren County both young and old remain in a healthy state, to work to stay off Welfare, to continue in school, we need a hospital here.

"County progress is in a small way contingent upon the hospital. Industry searching for areas to move almost always ask about hospital facilities.

"Now all is not dark—we have a full time anesthetist on our staff and it appears as if she came to stay, if she can locate housing. We will have in the first week of June, a surgeon with experience moving into our county. A man whose past indicates a supreme interest in his patients.

"What we need, gentlemen, is sufficient financing to repair our building, add some surgical (See RICHARDS, page 4)

Semi-Pro Ball

Semi-pro baseball will again be played here this year.

Billy Clark said yesterday that practice would start Saturday afternoon and asked that anyone interested in joining the team report at the John Graham athletic field at 2 o'clock on Saturday afternoon.

Clark said that the first match game would be played here on Saturday, May 16, probably with Williamsboro.

Present plans, Clark said, call for a number of night games being played on Wednesday and Thursday nights and day games being played on Saturday and Sunday afternoon.

Civil Term Of Court Held Here This Week

The May Civil Term of Warren County Superior Court, which convened here Monday morning with Judge Henry A. McKinnon, Jr., presiding, was expected to end yesterday as this newspaper went to press.

Practically all the time of the court this week has been consumed in the hearing of the case of M. P. Carroll, Edward M. Moody and Edward Radford, trading as Center Warehouse No. 2, vs. The Warrenton Tobacco Board of Trade. Judgment in this case was expected to be entered Thursday.

The case, concerned with selling time on the Warrenton Tobacco Market, went to the jury Monday. Thursday morning the litigants agreed to leave the issue and verdict to Judge McKinnon. Following this agreement the jury was dismissed.

Also tried at the term was a divorce case, Nancy Kay Paynter Kline, vs. Jack Eugene Kline. The divorce was granted.

Other cases on the docket were expected to be continued.

Support Pledged By Clubs

Warren County General Hospital is in financial difficulties with a minimum of \$10,000 needed to put the hospital building in reasonably good condition and an additional \$15,000 needed for renovation and equipment. David Richards, hospital administrator, told the board of county commissioners here Monday afternoon.

In addition to funds for physical outlay, the hospital needs funds to carry on for the remainder of the fiscal year.

On the brighter side, Richards said, the hospital has employed a full-time anesthetist and that Dr. Raiford Douglas Baxley of Siler City would come to Warrenton in June and would serve on the hospital staff as a surgeon. He said that he feels that Warren General Hospital is fortunate in obtaining the services of a surgeon of Dr. Baxley's ability and one who would fit so well into the community.

Richards blames much of the hospital's operational difficulties to the lack of a surgeon here since the resignation of Dr. Davis approximately a year ago.

Some of the repairs needed at the local hospital were listed by Richards, including roof repairs, room repairs, new or repaired heating equipment.

Among the equipment badly needed by the hospital is an incubator for pre-mature babies, he said. Also needed is operational funds.

In order to reduce the hospital deficit, hours of several employees have been reduced, but further reduction is not possible if the hospital is to be properly operated, he said.

The commissioners agreed that hospital repairs and renovations are essential, but pointed out that the act setting up the hospital permits a maximum levy of only 12¢. This they said, would raise around \$24,000.

Accompanying Richards to the board meeting was a large delegation of representatives of civic clubs of the county who have pledged their support to the hospital, several with substantial financial donations.

These were presented by Dixon Ward, spokesman for the group, as follows:

Mrs. Bob Bright of the Warrenton Little Garden Club, Mrs. W. L. Wood and Miss Marian Boyd of the Warrenton Woman's Club, Mrs. G. O. Stultz, Jr., of the Norlina Woman's Club, Mrs. Dennis Rose and Mrs. William Johnston of the Littleton Woman's Club, Mrs. Hy Diamond of the American Legion Auxiliary, James Kearney of the Littleton Lions Club, Nat White of the Warrenton Lions Club, Mrs. W. A. Graham of the Warrenton Garden Club, William Hicks of the Norlina Ruritan Club, Mrs. Ann White of the Norlina Junior Woman's Club, Mrs. Dwight (See HOSPITAL, page 4)