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## Budget Approved; Tax Rate \$1.89

The Board of County Commissioners on Monday approved the 1964-65 budget for Warren County, calling for a tax rate of \$1.89 on the \$100 valuation.

The tax rate was increased one cent over the tentative budget figure, when the commissioners voted to add one cent to the budget to funds for the Welfare Department to pay surgeon fees in sterilization cases.

The action of the board was taken after Julian Farrar appeared before the board to inform its members that surgeon fees for sterilization of men would be \$45.00 and for women \$60.00. With ten or fifteen cases a year, this would run around \$750, he said.

Informed by the County Auditor that funds had not been provided for such purposes and informed by the county attorney that funds could not be shifted for this purpose, the commissioners voted to add a penny to the budget.

They commented that in the long run the expenditure would save the county money.

In approving the tentative budget, the commissioners had planned on a tax rate of \$1.90 to take care of changes, although the actual figure was \$1.88. The one cent addition was judged Monday to be all necessary and the budget was approved at \$1.89. This represented an increase of 14 cents over the 1963-64 budget.

During the remainder of a quiet session that lasted only until around 4 o'clock, the commissioners ordered a public hearing on August 3 concerning changes in zoning regulations at Gaston Lake, mainly to simplify operations:

Employ Willie Cook of Warrenton as court house janitor at a salary of \$50.00 a week; Ordered that \$25.00 be paid towards the funeral expenses of Teaboy Robinson, a pauper;

Heard a report from A. P. Rodwell, County Tax Collector, showing total tax collections to date of \$349,542.55, of which amount \$2,176.19 was collected during the month of June.

In addition the commissioners heard a number of reports, ordered the payment of bills, and attended to a number of other routine matters.



SYLVIA LYNN DAVIS

## Georgia Weed Sales To Start On July 29

Henderson — Tobacco markets in the Georgia-Florida area will begin 1964 auctions on Wednesday, July 29, it was decided by an eight-man advisory board Tuesday at the annual convention of the Bright Belt Warehouse Association at Jekyll Island, Ga. State Agriculture Commissioner Phil Campbell confirmed the date

as required by Georgia law. The opening is four calendar days later than last year.

A South Carolina warehousemen's committee will meet in Florence early next week to fix the date for the opening there. Speculation is that it will be early in August. As a rule, North Carolina Border Belt markets open at the same time as South Carolina auction centers.

Eastern North Carolina normally follows in a week to ten days, with the Middle Belt beginning after a similar interval. Last year the Henderson market began its season on Monday, September 9, and on opening day sold 445,172 pounds at a price average of \$54.97. Sales in the first week were 1,403,916 pounds at \$55.62.

This year's Georgia-Florida crop is said to be of fairly good quality. The season there usually runs four to five weeks.

Belts starting after the Georgia-Florida area will begin sales to permit marketing of the crop there and for transfer of buyers farther north. Georgia-Florida Belt buyers move into Eastern North Carolina, and buyers for the Middle Belt come from the South Carolina and Border North Carolina markets which usually have sold the bulk of their crop by the opening in this region.

## Warren Girl Vies For Beauty Title

A Warren County girl is among the 90 candidates seeking the title of "Miss North Carolina" this week at the annual Miss North Carolina Pageant sponsored by the North Carolina Jaycees at Raleigh Memorial Auditorium.

Miss Sylvia Lynn Davis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Macon Davis of Warrenton, will represent the Henderson Jaycee Club as Miss Henderson.

The seventeen-year-old brunette was chosen "Miss Henderson" on April 3 and was honored at an informal parade at Henderson Tuesday before leaving for Raleigh.

Preliminary contests in swimming suit, evening gown and talent divisions were scheduled to be held Wednesday night, Thursday and Friday.

By Saturday night the field will be narrowed down to 10 finalists who will compete once again in all three judging divisions.

The final two hours of the Miss North Carolina Pageant will be televised on six Tarteel stations, according to Bill Law, chairman of the Pageant in Raleigh.

Miss Davis is a striking brunette with blue eyes. She is 5-6 in height and her 115 pounds a perfect 36-23-36 figure neatly fills her swim suit. She expresses preference for charcoal drawing and oil painting, sewing and needlework, water sports and golf.

She is a 1964 graduate of John Graham High School and hopes to continue her education at Greensboro College in Greensboro.

## Lights Are Being Used As Trap For Tobacco Hornworm

Exotic techniques, six lures among them, are being used in North Carolina to research tobacco hornworm control.

A simple, inexpensive electric light now stands at the head of the class. Its use could bring relief to Tar Heel farmers plagued by hornworm attacks and insecticide costs.

An experiment conducted near Oxford for the third year brings cautious reports from the U. S. Department of Agriculture that "black light" traps have made considerable inroads on hornworm moths, parents of the hornworm which gobbles up millions of dollars in tobacco profits each year.

The electric light may brighten tobacco's future in more ways than one. If the light succeeds in trapping enough insects, there could be a major reduction of chemical spray residues.

F. R. Lawson, director of the Oxford Experiment Station, says a carefully laid pattern of lights over a 113-square-mile grid cut hornworm population in half. Researchers caution farmers that lights must be erected in a carefully planned pattern. Isolated lights have proven to be virtually useless.

Other experimental methods, including use of substances to attract both sexes of the hornworm moth and sterilization of the male moth have been carried out at Oxford and other research centers. So far the light seems to be most advanced.

The Oxford experiment has been successful enough to warrant a grant of additional funds to expand the system from 324 to 950 lights and the area radius from 6 to 16 miles.

The U. S. D. A. Entomology Research Division estimates tobacco damage by horn and bud worms at \$4.17 per acre and the cost of insecticides at \$17.50 per acre. Based on 1960 acreage, worms and their control cost more than \$10 million a year from North Carolina tobacco growers.

## Two Faults At Jail Revealed By Inspector

Two faults at the Warren County jail, reported by the Grand Jury at the May Term of Superior Court, were spotted by a prison inspector for the State Welfare Department, and reported to the Board of Commissioners Monday.

Edward S. Stevens, the inspector, said the jail floors should be painted and a larger kitchen is needed for storage purposes. He did not mention in his report that the kitchen floor was slanting and the exterior of the jail needed painting as did the Grand Jury.

In a rather long written report submitted to the commissioners at their regular session Monday, Stevens credited the local jail with many correct facilities, approved the food served the prisoners, the jail arrangement and sleeping facilities.

The commissioners expressed their pleasure over the report, in view of the Grand Jury report at the May Term of Superior Court in which the commissioners were taken to task for failing to heed requests of the Grand Jury for jail repairs.

In its report to Judge Henry McKinnon the Grand Jury reported that it had inspected the County Jail and has "found as in the past that it needed painting (exterior) and the kitchen as in the past needs enlarging and the floor is not even but on a slant."

"We," the report continued,

## PROSPECTS BRIGHT FOR GOOD CROP

Prospects for another good crop appear reasonably bright in the southern end of the flue-cured tobacco belt as producers in that area "get on up the stalk" with their harvest.

Although handicapped somewhat by lack of moisture following a wet season during transplanting, Georgia growers are anticipating another good year with yields slightly under those of 1963.

"Experts in Georgia anticipate yields will be as much as 250 pounds per acre under the very good yields they had last year," reports Dr. Guy Jones, professor of crop science at North Carolina State.

"But this doesn't mean they aren't going to have a good crop. From what I can understand, Georgia growers have had no unusual problems other than lack of moisture. It appeared to me that all their tobacco needed was a little rain.

Jones had an opportunity to see a good bit of Georgia tobacco during a tour of the state's flue-cured area in his capacity as chairman of the Flue-Cured Tobacco Advisory Committee. (See TOBACCO, page 8)

## Ray Nicholson To Manage Puritan Cafe

Ray Nicholson of Roanoke Rapids this week became associated with Ralph Ayscue in the management of the Puritan Cafe at Warrenton. Ayscue will retain an interest in the business but will not devote his full time to its operation, it was learned yesterday.

Prior to coming to Warrenton, Nicholson, who has had considerable experience in food service industries, was employed by the American Bakery. He and Mrs. Nicholson and two children, Ray, Jr., 12, and Connie, 13, will make their home at Warrenton.

Mr. and Mrs. William Duke of the University of Oregon, Covallis, Oregon, visited relatives here this week. Mrs. W. C. Coleman and Wiley G., III, will accompany them to Urbana, University of Illinois, to spend several days.

Dr. and Mrs. C. H. Peete and family of Durham were recent dinner guests of Mrs. C. H. Peete and family.

## Warrenton Drops Racial Bars; Civil Rights Bill Becomes Law

Following the signing of the Civil Rights Bill by President Johnson on Thursday afternoon of last week, Warrenton business houses are complying with the law.

Tables have been removed from the two local drug stores which have desegregated and will serve members of both groups from their fountains.

Ray Nicholson, new manager of Puritan Cafe, announced Monday that he would comply with the law and that his cafe is now integrated.

The dining room at Hotel Warren has adopted a wait and see attitude, according to Mr. and Mrs. Macon Renn, who lease the dining room.

The Warren Theatre is now integrated and members of both races can find seats where they prefer, George Robinson, manager, said yesterday. He said that all theatres in this area have been integrated.

The local theatre had its first colored customer downstairs on Sunday night without incident. Robinson, prior to the night show, told the audience that under the law he could no longer operate his theatre on a segregated basis. He asked that the white teen-agers in particular give him their cooperation. Whether the town will continue to have a theatre will depend upon this cooperation, he said. Robinson said that he was highly gratified with the response of his white patrons, many of whom pledged their cooperation following his talk.

The town has dropped its segregation bars without any incidents.

Provisions of the new law are listed in a question and answer article by the Associated Press as follows:

Washington—Here in question and answer form is an explanation of how the new civil rights law applies to various businesses:

Q: What parts of the law have a direct effect on business establishments?

A: Two parts, one banning discrimination in place of public accommodation and the other in hiring, firing and other employment practices.

Q: What is meant by places of public accommodation?

A: Establishments offering food, lodging and entertainment to the public. This includes restaurants, cafeterias, lunchrooms, lunch counters, soda fountains, inns, hotels, motels, theaters, motion picture houses, concert halls, sports arenas, and other places of exhibition or entertainment.

Q: What about tourist homes?

A: If a tourist home or a rooming house is occupied by the owner as his residence and not more than five rooms are for rent, it is exempt from coverage.

Q: Does the ban on discrimination apply to gasoline stations?

A: Yes.

Q: What about a department store?

A: A department store is not specifically covered, but if it has any covered establishment within its premises, it is - for example, if it has a restaurant or a lunch counter.

Q: Does this work the other way around so that a shop in a covered establishment is brought under the law?

A: Yes, beauty shops and barber shops are not specifically covered, for example, but they are if they are in a hotel.

Q: What kind of discrimination is prohibited?

A: The law provides that all persons shall be entitled to the full and equal enjoyment of the goods, services, facilities, privileges and advantages in places of public accommodation "without discrimination or segregation on the ground of race, color, religion, or national origin."

Q: When did this become effective?

A: Thursday night, when President Johnson signed the measure into law.

Q: Are there any criminal penalties for violating it?

A: No. Enforcement is through injunction suits brought in federal courts by individuals or, if a pattern or practice of discrimination is alleged, by the U. S. attorney general.

Q: What if a court order barring discrimination is not obeyed?

A: A judge, using his civil contempt powers, could put a person in jail until he agreed to obey the court order. But if a judge wanted to punish a person for a past violation through criminal contempt proceedings, there would have to be a jury trial.

Q: What about the ban on discrimination in employment? When does it become effective?

A: A year from now.

Q: What businesses will it apply to?

A: Businesses with 100 or more employees are covered in the first year after it becomes effective, those with 75 or more in the second, those with 50 or more in the third, and those with 25 or more thereafter.

Q: What about seasonal employees? How are they counted?

A: Employees are counted for coverage purposes only if they have worked at least 20 weeks for the business in a year.

Q: Does this part of the bill prohibit discrimination on account of sex?

A: Yes, and on account of race, color, religion or national origin. (See CIVIL RIGHTS, page 8)

## Warren County Has First Road Fatality Of Year As One Dies

Warren County had its first highway fatality of the year Tuesday.

Esther Ingrid Gungle, 39-year-old white woman of Newport News, Va., was instantly killed when her car went out of control on Highway No. 1 near Ridgeway at 9:20 p. m. Thursday. She was riding alone in a 1964 Chevrolet convertible.

Trooper R. A. Clark, who investigated the accident, said that the woman lost control of her car at a curve North of Holtzman Service Station on Route 1, plunged over a bank, struck a tree, and was completely demolished.

The car, Clark said, was wrapped around a tree and was one of the most completely wrecked cars he had ever seen. He said evidence was that the car was traveling at a high rate of speed.

## Man Appeals Ten Road Sentences

A man, charged with giving bad checks, and given ten roads sentences when found guilty, appealed all ten sentences to Superior Court. Appearance bond was set by Judge Julius Banzet at \$750.00.

Six four-month road sentences were given P. A. Bishop, Jr., in Recorder's Court on June 26. Four other sentences ranging from four to six months, were given at the last Friday session of county court.

In other cases Samuel Fields, charged with non-support, was found not guilty.

The State took a nol pro with leave in the case of John Edd Daily, charged with non-support.

Alton J. Kimball, found guilty on two bad check charges, was sentenced to the roads for 60 days on the first count. The sentence was suspended for one year upon condition the defendant remain of good behavior, violate no criminal laws of the state for one year, pay to Lemon Epps \$110.00 and court costs. He was given a 30 days sentence on the second count, which was suspended for one year upon the same terms as the first sentence, provided he pay N. G. Hudgins \$10.00.

Bobby Glenn Springer pled guilty to a reckless driving charge and was fined \$25.00 and taxed with court costs.

James Bunnell, charged with operating a motor vehicle without a driver's license, was found not guilty.

P. K. Persons was ordered to pay a \$25.00 fine and court costs when he was found guilty of operating a motor vehicle without a driver's license.

Carl Ellington Hendricks pled guilty to a charge of reckless driving and was fined \$25.00 and costs.

Defendants and verdicts in speeding cases were:

Louis Anton Noll, \$15.00 and costs; Walter Exum Clark,

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costs; James Golson Patrea, \$10.00 and costs, Thomas Michael Madland, \$10.00 and costs; Theresa Gillette Gowen, costs.

## Semi-Pros To Play In State Playoffs

The Warrenton semi-pro baseball team has accepted an invitation to participate in the State playoffs at Roxboro with the first game scheduled to be played at 6 o'clock on Saturday, July 18.

The local team, which has had a very successful season in the tri-county league, downed a team from Vance County under the lights here Wednesday night by the score of 8 to 4, with Luther Perkinson being the winning pitcher.

Warrenton scored five of its runs in the first inning, and the Vance county group's big inning was the seventh when, held scoreless up to that point, with two outs and the bases loaded, a visiting batsman slammed a home run to send four runs across the plate.

## Stolen Truck Is Recovered By Officer

A 1953 International pickup truck was stolen at Meekin's in Vance County around 9 o'clock Sunday morning.

Highway Patrolman R. A. Clark found the truck while investigating a hit-and-run driving report. He said that the driver of the car, Louis Thomas Grissom, white, ran into the woods when he approached and was picked up later in the afternoon by the Warren County Sheriff's Department. He arrested Thomas Grissom, white, who was passenger in the truck.

Louis Thomas Grissom is being held in Warren County jail under \$1,000 bond for his appearance in Recorder's Court Friday, charged with larceny, hit and run, driving after license had been revoked, and possession of illegal home brew.

Theodore Grissom was charged with public drunkenness.

Clark said the stolen truck was owned by M. C. Bobbitt.

## Barn Fire

A stock barn at the home of G. A. Daeke, Sr., was destroyed by fire at 1:30 a. m. Saturday, July 4. Arson is suspected.

Daeke said Wednesday that this is the third time that his stock barn at his home was destroyed by fire.

The Warrenton Rural Fire Department, the Drewry Fire Department and the Norlina Fire Department responded to the alarm and kept the flames from spreading to surrounding buildings.



The above picture, entitled "Swamp," was second place in a photo contest conducted by The Sanford News Leader of Sanford last week. It was taken at Hamme's Mill recently by William Duke Jones, Jr. of Warrenton, who is now working with the Highway Commission out of Sanford.