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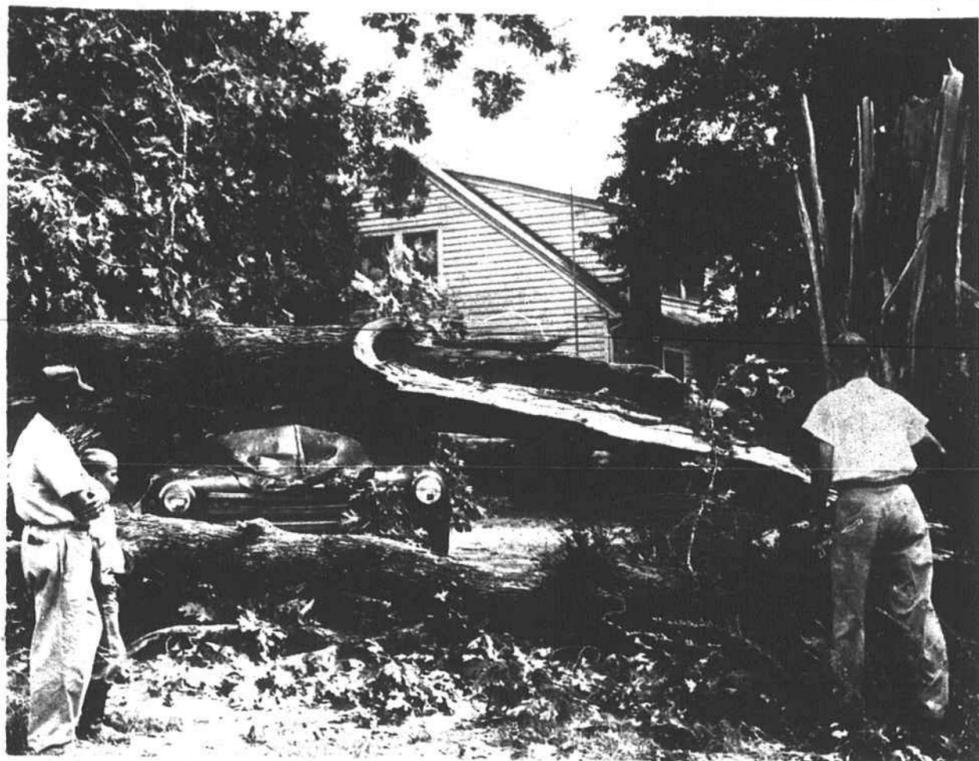
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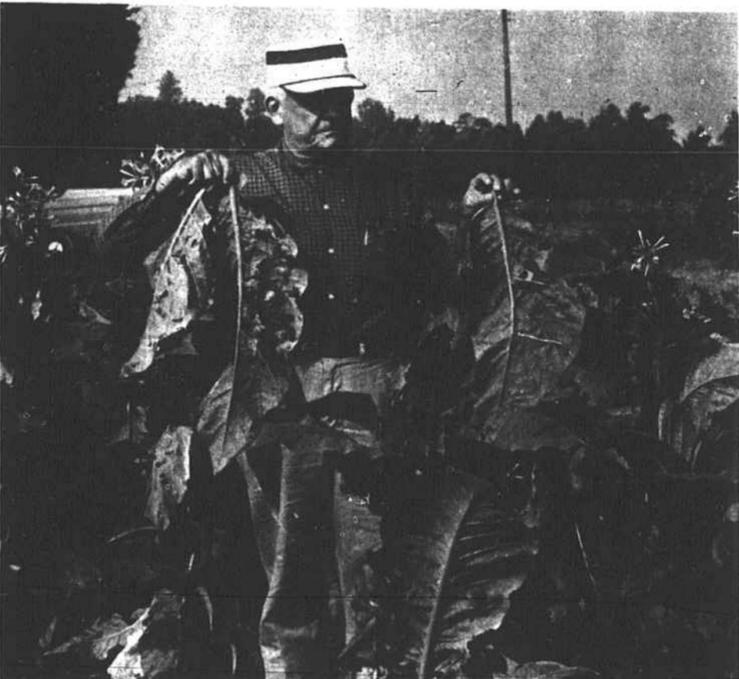
WARRENTON, COUNTY OF WARREN, N. C.

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In the upper picture James Rivers and young son, Ronald, look over the damage to truck caused by falling tree at his home, the former S. G. Wilson home place. At right is shown Will Allen Connell. The wind which toppled the tree also caused considerable damage to a nearby shed and to the Rivers' home during the late Monday afternoon wind and hail storm. At left County Commissioner Alfred J. Ellington looks over the damage to his tobacco crop. (Extension photos by F. W. Reams.)



Pittard Rites Held On Sunday

Funeral services for George Norman Pittard, 63, Warrenton businessman, were conducted from his home here on Sunday afternoon at 3:30 by the Rev. Mr. Grant. Burial was in Sunset Cemetery in Littleton.

The son of John Bernard and Fannie Perkinson Pittard of near Littleton, Mr. Pittard was born in Judkins Township, Warren County, on August 31, 1902, and was educated at Littleton High School. He came to Warrenton in the early thirties and worked for Harold R. Skillman and his brother in the operation of a service station in North Warrenton, later going to Norlina where he operated a service station for some time.

Around 1935 he bought Boyce Service Station which was located on Main Street where the service station of E. T. Odum, Jr., is now located, changing the name of the business to Pittard's Motor Service.

Mr. Pittard operated his business at this site for around 25 years, during which time he added the Studebaker agency, the Firestone Agency, and the Ferguson Tractor agency to his business. In 1960, Mr. Pittard moved his business to enlarged quarters which he built on East Macon Street.

For a number of years, Mr. Pittard served as chairman of the Warren County ABC office. He never held public office, although he was influential in political affairs of the county. He was a member of the Warrenton Presbyterian Church.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Blanche Jenkins Pittard; three daughters, Mrs. Dan Knight of Rocky Mount, Mrs. Tommy Peete Davis of Yanceyville, and Mrs. Robert Vaughan of Suitland, Md.; two sons, George N. Pittard, IV, of Raleigh, and Robert Pittard of the home; one brother, J. Bernard Pittard of Jacksonville; six sisters, Mrs. Viola Gaskill, Mrs. E. T. Odum, Sr., and Miss Verlean Pittard, all of Warrenton; Mrs. Charlie Jenkins and Mrs. W. W. Fimple of Littleton and Mrs. T. E. Epps of Wilson; and one grandchild.

Weevils Bad

Boll weevil infestation in Warren County was described Wednesday by County Agent Frank W. Reams as being the worst he has ever seen in the county.

He said that farmers should start to spray immediately or where spraying has already started to keep on spraying.

Mrs. Allen Hilliard spent the weekend with her sister in Chapel Hill.

Head Start Centers To Hold Open House At Six Schools

Open House was held this week in two of the six Head Start centers being operated in Warren County under the direction of the Board of Education, and other such programs are to follow within the next ten days.

The first of these Open House programs was held at the Vaughan school at 7:30 o'clock on Tuesday night and a second program was held at South Warren on Thursday night at the same hour.

Mrs. Rachael Fishel, director, and Mrs. Vilet C. Henderson, assistant director of the program, said that the public is invited to attend these programs where progress of the

children will be discussed. They said that Open House programs would be held at Northside on Monday, July 26, at North Warren on Tuesday, July 27, at Hawkins on Thursday, July 29, and at Mariam Boyd on Tuesday, August 3.

Project Head Start, the directors said, is arousing nationwide interest as professionals and volunteers join forces to create a pre-school program primarily aimed at one million young children who suffer poverty and neglect and reaching, also, many young children who come from middle and upper classes.

The directors said that 305 children are enrolled in the

directed by the Board of Education. Each class is directed by a teacher, assisted by an aid and at least one volunteer. Three lunchrooms are in operation to serve the six centers. There are a total of 51 employees with payment also being made to 47 persons who bring children to the centers. One hundred seventy-five people, professionals and non-professionals, have served as volunteers in many capacities. Each child has had a pre-school medical examination, and efforts will be made to follow up the examining physician's recommendations, the directors said. A visit to the dentist is scheduled for each child at which time his teeth are examined and cleaned, cavities plotted and a fluoride treatment applied. Again, there will be follow-up treatment insofar as time permits.

Each family will be visited at least twice by the teachers and will be invited to the center for special functions.

Driving With Revoked License Proves Costly

Driving after one's license has been revoked can be expensive business, a defendant in Warren County Recorder's Court found out last Friday. Alfred Ray Hines was found guilty of driving after his license had been revoked. He was ordered to pay a \$200 fine and court costs.

Herman Williams, charged with drunk driving, pled guilty to a charge of reckless driving. He was ordered to pay a \$100 fine and court costs.

The state also accepted a plea of reckless driving from Floyd Boyd, who was charged with

drunk driving. He was ordered to pay a \$100 fine and court costs.

A case against McKinley Brown, charged with resisting arrest, was not pressed with leave.

Claude Jones, charged with an assault on a female, was found not guilty.

Fred Hudson Taylor was ordered to pay court costs when he was found guilty on a speeding charge.

Nelson Basket, found guilty of driving without an operator's license, was ordered to pay a \$25 fine and court costs.

In Small Area

Hail And Wind Damage To Tobacco Crop Heavy

NAACP Asks Town Officials To Circumvent Klan Activities

Designating the Ku Klux Klan as a group of race haters, the Warren County Branch of the NAACP, in a letter to Mayor W. A. Miles Wednesday said that Klan activity will definitely harm the entire county permanently. They asked that official action be taken to circumvent Klan activities in War-

renton. A copy of the letter was also sent to the board of county commissioners.

"Unless our town and county officials take the responsibility that 'now faces,' the letter said, 'the sad result is certain to be that the business community will have to look to the Klan organization for the

sale of goods and merchandise."

The letter addressed to Mayor Miles and made available to the press, was signed by Theasos T. Clayton, Hinton Jones, E. D. Crossan and Ernest Turner, Warren County Branch of the NAACP. It reads as follows:

Dear Mr. Miles:

"We are certain that you must know by now of the widespread publicity of the fact that the Ku Klux Klan is planning a parade down the streets of Warrenton on Saturday at 4:30, to be followed Saturday night with a meeting at one of our public schools (Afton-Elberon) at 8:00 in the evening. You must further be aware that at the meeting only the White public is being invited and the subject for discussion is to be White Supremacy and Race Hatred. "The purpose of such activity can only be to intimidate and humiliate the Negroes in the area and create racial strife. While the latter may seem certain to occur, it should be well proven by now that the type of activity carried on by the Klan does not frighten the Negro. "Even though the proposed activity of the group of race haters will in no way accomplish their purpose, such activity will definitely harm the entire county permanently. The entire business community has indicated a desire to improve and develop Warren County by enticing new industry to come into our area in order that good job opportunities may be made available to all our citizens. Once it is apparent to officials of industries that might otherwise locate in this area that there exists an abundance of low class activity such as is generally carried on by the Klan, no industry will locate in Warren County in years to come. This of course, will leave hopeless the desire of the Warren County Community to develop and improve its condition. "Our town and county officials have always been able to circumvent any act or acts that they have desired which

Ku Klux To Hold Walk In Saturday

Members of the Ku Klux Klan will stage a walk-in at Warrenton on Saturday afternoon at 4:30 o'clock.

The walk-in at Warrenton will be followed by a rally at Elberon on Highway 401 at 8 o'clock.

Announcement of the march here and the meeting at Elberon was made early this week in handbills being circulated over the county.

According to this source the meeting at Elberon will be held

about a mile south of the Afton-Elberon school on the old Haywood farm on Rt. 401.

Bob Jones, the Grand Dragon of North Carolina, and "other good speakers" will be present, according to the announcement. The meeting is for the white public only.

The march here and the meeting at Elberon is expected to follow the pattern of recent meetings recently held over the state as the Klan seeks to increase its membership.

Two Warren Women In Mrs. N. C. Contest

Two Warren County Club members left for Burlington Thursday where they will be contestants in the Mrs. North Carolina contest during ceremonies lasting through Saturday. The winner will represent North Carolina in the Mrs. America contest to be held in California during August.

Mrs. Alice Marie Rooker is being sponsored by the Norlina Junior Woman's Club of which she is president.

Mrs. Sue Dorsett Skinner, who enters the contest as "Mrs. Warren-Halifax Counties," is sponsored by Leggett's Department Stores of Warrenton and Roanoke Rapids.

Mrs. Robertson, who has long been active in the Norlina Junior Woman's Club, is now serving

as awards chairman for the 14 districts of Woman's Clubs. She is also active in 4-H Club work and in the Zion Methodist Church where she teaches a Sunday School class. She is the mother of three children.

Mrs. Skinner is a member of the Littleton Woman's Club. A former assistant home demonstration agent in Warren County, she has remained active in home demonstration and 4-H club work. She is a former president of the 14th district Federation of Woman's Clubs. She is an active member of the Littleton Presbyterian Church and the mother of two children.

Winners will be announced at Burlington on Saturday.

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Hail and tornadic winds in a small area of Warren County late Monday afternoon caused damage to tobacco estimated at around \$75,000.

Frank Reams, county agent, who investigated the damage Wednesday morning, said the hail and winds seemed to have been confined to an area of around six square miles from Clark Town to just beyond the old Airport.

Suffering the heaviest losses were A. J. Ellington, James Rivers, E. R. Wood and T. R. Frazier, with Rivers suffering damage to property when wind blew down a tree and crushed his truck.

While the hail damage appears to have been largely confined to the crops in the vicinity of the old Airport, heavy rains and intense electrical storms have been reported in many sections of the county.

A violent electrical storm occurred in the vicinity of Kimball Point on Kerr Lake and while there was much rain there was little or no wind. The only high wind reported was on the farm of James Rivers.

The rains were welcomed in many sections where no hail occurred. Crops, which two weeks ago were described as very poor due to drought, early in the week were described as excellent. Tobacco, in bad shape, has staged a remarkable comeback following a heavy rain several days ago, described by many as a three-million dollar rain.

Reams said that crops in the county generally are in excellent conditions.

Three Drown In Kerr Lake On Sunday

HENDERSON — Two teenagers and a Creedmoor man drowned Sunday in separate areas of Kerr Lake.

The two teenagers were identified as William Roy Carpenter, 15, and Carl Ray Bissett, 14, both of Nashville.

Authorities said Carpenter was swimming in the Bullocks recreation area when Bissett, a member of the same party, went to his aid. Both drowned as Bissett's father and other members of the party watched from shore.

Hal Bullock Crews, 22, of Ft. 2, Creedmoor, drowned in the lake about 10 miles west of Henderson.

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Safety Program To Be Held At Lake

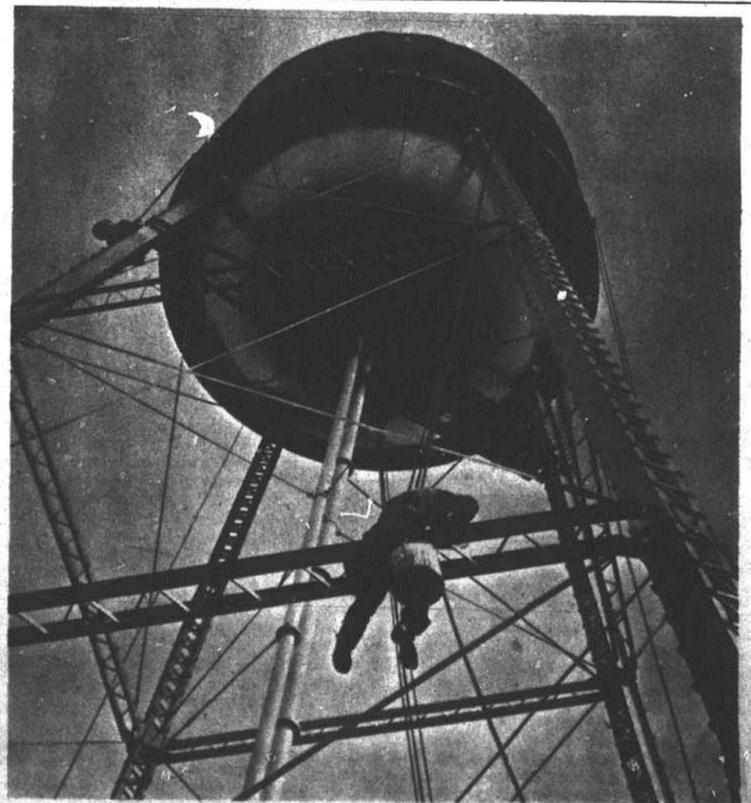
A water safety program will be given Sunday afternoon, July 25, at 2 p. m. at Salmon's Landing on Lake Gaston by the Roanoke Valley Rescue Squad from Roanoke Rapids.

The event is being sponsored by the Epworth-Enterprise Community Club in an effort to impress upon the public on the importance of safety measures to use in and around the water, in boating, skiing, and swimming.

The club also plans to cook a Brunswick stew which they will sell. Proceeds from the stew will go toward renovation of the clubhouse.

RECUPERATING
J. T. Mitchiner is recuperating at Duke Hospital in Durham after undergoing surgery there last Saturday. He is reported to be making a good recovery.

RECUPERATING
F. M. "Junior" Drake has returned from Veterans Hospital, Durham and is recuperating from a heart attack at his home here.



The Warrenton water tank is undergoing a periodic painting. The high perched painter was caught by the camera of photographer Bill Jones on Tuesday.