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Harrison Named To Heart Post

Dr. Lloyd H. Harrison of Warrenton has accepted the position of Medical Representative for the Warren County Heart Association, it was announced yesterday by the Rev. Red Wilson, president of the local heart group.

We are very pleased that Dr. Harrison will represent the health and medical profession in our Heart Association leadership," Mr. Wilson said. "Since 1949 when the North Carolina Heart Association was founded by 33 physicians and six laymen at a state Medical Society meeting, physicians have worked closely with the Heart program."

In accepting his volunteer post, Dr. Harrison pointed out that through the N. C. and American Heart Associations, he can provide members of local health professions with research reports and other medical materials to assist in the diagnosis and treatment of the cardiovascular diseases. Physicians can also secure printed information to give their

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REMAINS OF HOME WHERE BODIES WERE FOUND

Sheriff's Department Is Still Investigating Origin Of Fire

The Warren County Sheriff's Department is still investigating the origin of a fire that took the lives of two young Negro children in a Saturday night blaze that destroyed a one-story frame building in the Carrolltown section of the County.

Warrenton Rural firemen responding to the call around 10 o'clock Saturday night found the charred bodies of Freddie Hicks, 7, and Patricia, 8, children of Mrs. Dorothy Hicks, in the smoldering ruins of the

home. Mrs. Hicks and her baby and two older children, Larry 11, and Carl 10, escaped from the home.

Sheriff Clarence Davis said yesterday that at the time of the fire, Mrs. Hicks was watching "Gunsmoke" on TV and had her baby with her. The four other children were locked in another room.

Discovering the fire, the children knocked on the door

and their mother opened it and two of the children came out. Mrs. Hicks, according to Sheriff Davis, said she took the baby outside and when she returned so much fire was in the room that she was unable to bring out the other children. Sheriff Davis said that Mrs. Hicks told him that the fire originated around a light in the room occupied by the children. He said that an investigation of the origin of the fire would be continued.

Drake Amendment Approved

Warren May Be Put Back In Second Cong. District

H. M. Hardy Registers Protest

Protesting the removal of Warren County from the second congressional district by a special Legislative committee and the placing of the county in the First Congressional District, H. M. Hardy Monday told the Legislature that Warren County has as much business in the First Congressional District as Elizabeth Taylor has in a YWCA.

The Warrenton business man and civic leader appeared before the Legislature at the request of Rep. W. R. Drake of Warren County, and pled with the Legislature to disregard the recommendation of the special reapportionment committee and put Warren County back into the second district. His appearance was carried on TV and his remarks drew the applause of members of the Legislature. The full text of his talk follows:

Ladies and Gentlemen of The General Assembly: My name is H. M. Hardy, and I am from Warren County. I hold no public office nor do I aspire to any. I am simply here today to protest Warren County being made an island. Maybe mine will be only a voice crying in the wilderness, but the good people of Warren County simply cannot take this lying down. Since last Wednesday

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Map of Senatorial District

Senatorial District Approved

An amendment offered by Warren Rep. W. R. Drake Thursday morning to put Warren County back into the Second Congressional District was approved by the House meeting as a committee of the whole. Drake said in a telephone conversation with a representative of this newspaper at noon Thursday that should no complications arise the amended bill is expected to pass.

He said that the Durham delegation was scheduled to offer an amendment at 2 o'clock to kill the whole bill, but that he didn't expect it to receive the approval of the Assembly. "I am very happy about our prospect," Drake said.

Under the reapportionment plan submitted by a special congressional committee, Warren County had been removed from the second district and put in the first. An amendment offered by Senators Herman Moore of Mecklenburg and Worth Gentry of Stokes, which would have put Warren back in the second district and added Durham County to the district, failed to receive approval.

Both of these plans would have scrapped the recommended plan of a special House-Senate study committee. The plans changed drastically proposed Second, Fifth, Seventh, Eighth, Ninth, and 11th districts.

Moore's proposal was put to an unofficial test during a committee - of - the - whole session Tuesday. He made a motion that the plan be adopted, but Senator Tom White of Lenoir objected because some of the lawmakers were absent. A vote on the motion failed to carry.

The committee's proposal that Edgecombe and Pitt counties be added to Warren and Halifax as a new senatorial district has passed both houses of the Assembly. The new district would have two senators. This plan has been strongly opposed by both Warren and Pitt Counties, but Drake said Thursday that there appeared no way to change the alignment without drastically upsetting other districts.

Warren has been placed in a House district with Vance and Franklin Counties, with two representatives to be elected from the district. Drake said that the only chance that Warren

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Three Are Hurt In Wreck

Two men were seriously injured and a third painfully hurt in a head-on collision on U. S. Highway No. 1 near the Vance County line in Warren County around 6 o'clock on Saturday afternoon.

Seriously injured were Wade Lindburg Vaughan, white, driver of one car, and Frank Perry, Negro, 26, passenger in the other. Vaughan received head injuries and the loss of one eye and is recovering at Maria Parham Hospital. Perry, who suffered a broken leg, was transferred to Memorial Hospital at Chapel Hill.

Nelson Burchette, 40, Negro, driver of the other car, received bruises and abrasion but was released from Jubilee Hospital following treatment.

The wreck occurred when Vaughan, driving a 1963 Mercury Comet drove his car across a yellow line and it plunged head on into a 1955 Plymouth, headed north, and driven by Burchette, according to Highway Trooper Sam Webster, who investigated the accident.

Vaughan has been charged with driving on the wrong side of a highway.

Webster said that damage to the Plymouth has been estimated at \$250, and damage to the Mercury at \$800.

Bank Branch Approved By Fed. Dep. Ins. Corp.

Construction of a drive-in branch of the Citizens Bank will begin as soon as plans can be drawn, Pett B. Boyd, president, said yesterday.

Boyd said that approval of the bank's plan to build a drive-in branch on the Norlina Road by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation was received last Friday. Approval of the State Banking Commission was given on Nov. 24.

The proposed building will be located on the Norlina road near

the Warren General Hospital on a lot now occupied by the old E. A. Skillman home, used for some time as a Church of God Church before the congregation built a new church. The bank has also purchased an adjoining lot which will provide a total 120-foot frontage on the Norlina Road.

Boyd and Board Chairman John G. Mitchell said that while plans for the building have not been completed, that it is contemplated that the building will be a one-story structure of brick construction. Tentative plans call for one drive-in window with provisions for the addition of others should the need arise.

The bank officials said that the large lot should provide ample parking space for the bank's customers.

Tobacco Diversion Payment 12¢ Pound

Tobacco farmers who divert tobacco acreage under the 1966 Cropland Adjustment Program will receive 12¢ a pound times the farm yield, T. E. Watson, ASCS office manager, said yesterday.

The diversion payment for cotton will be 6¢ per pound times the farm yield.

Watson said the program will offer farmers an opportunity to divert cropland from the production of crops into conserving uses for periods of from five to ten years. He said the program will give farmers an opportunity to make long-term plans in their farming operation.

Diversion payments in addition to those for cotton and tobacco include: peanuts, 3 1/2 cents per pound times the farm yield; wheat, 56 cents per bushel times the farm yield; corn, 47 cents a pound times the farm yield; and barley, 36 cents per bushel times the farm yield. Non-allotment crops will go in at a rate from \$4.00 to \$5.50 per acre. The farm rates on non-allotment crops vary and will be based on the farm's

yield of feed grains or wheat.

Watson said these diversion payments will normally be made after Oct. 1 of each year for the term of the agreement. However, farmers may request a lump sum payment to be made. Lump sum payments will be reduced 5 per cent per year for each year they are paid ahead of when they would be earned.

In addition to the annual diversion payments, farmers may earn cost - sharing payment for establishing an approved cover on the designated acreage. Watson said the payments will generally be about the same as for similar practices under the counties' agricultural conservation programs.

Farmers will have a good selection of approved practices that may be used on the designated acreage. They will include permanent vegetative cover, trees, farm ponds, wildlife, and recreation practices. Most North Carolina farmers can qualify for agreements unless ownership of the land has changed in the past three years. (See FARMING, page 4)

Elberon Boy To Get God, Country Award

Wayne Short, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Snort of Elberon, will receive the Boy Scout God and Country Award on Sunday, Jan. 16, at the Sulphur Springs Baptist Church during the 11 o'clock worship service, the Rev. J. M. Long, pastor, announced yesterday.

Thurman R. Batten, scoutmaster, and several scouts plan to be present and participate in the service, Mr. Long said. He added that the public is invited to attend this important service.

Wayne has been active in Boy Scout work for several years and has attained the rank of Star Scout. He is a member of Warrenton Troop 617, sponsored by Wesley Memorial Methodist Church of Warrenton.



WAYNE SHORT

License Agency Here Issuing Many Tags

The license agency, sponsored by the Warren County Chamber of Commerce and located in the Taylor Building on Main Street in Warrenton, reported yesterday that during the first full week of sales 550 individuals purchased their 1966 license plates. Warren County has 5,253 motor vehicles registered and

in order to avoid any delays in purchasing new tags, agency officials ask that individuals purchase their new license plates as soon as possible.

The license agency is now open each day, Monday through Friday, from 9 a. m. to 4 p. m., and on Saturdays from 9 a. m. to 1 p. m.

In Viet Nam

WASHINGTON - President Johnson disclosed a new total for U. S. military manpower in his address Wednesday night - 190,000.

Delbridge To Be Cited By Postmaster General

William K. Delbridge, Norlina postmaster, is one of 14 postmasters who will receive Citations of Merit from the Postmaster General in special ceremonies in Washington on next Thursday, January 20.

The citation is being awarded in appreciation of the part the postmasters have played in the President's Natural Beauty program by improving the appearance of postoffice buildings and grounds.

In a letter received by Delbridge Wednesday, Tyler Abell, assistant Postmaster General, said that "The general response to this request has been most gratifying. In your particular case it has been superior. And I salute you for this fine accomplishment."

Tyler continued: "The Postmaster General also desires to recognize your extraordinary achievement in carrying out the President's program, about which Mrs. Johnson has been so vitally concerned. It therefore gives me great pleasure to invite you to be present in Washington on January 20, 1966, for a cere-



W.K. DELBRIDGE

mony at which you and thirteen other Postmasters will be presented Citations of Merit from Postmaster General O'Brien. The event is scheduled for 11 a. m. in the Postmaster General's reception room. Please assemble in the reception room a few minutes before the time for the ceremony to commence."

Funeral Rites For T. Page Perkinson Conducted At Wise

Funeral services for Thomas Page Perkinson, 51, of Wise were conducted Thursday at 2:30 p. m. at the Wise Baptist Church by the Rev. A. T. Ayscue, pastor. Burial was in the Wise Cemetery.

Mr. Perkinson died Tuesday in Maria Parham Hospital in Henderson. He was a member of the Wise Baptist Church, was a Mason and Shriner, and a farmer, merchant and trucker. He was a graduate of Oak Ridge Military Institute.

He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Pattie R. Hendricks Perkinson; one daughter, Mrs. J. Branch Bobbitt of Madison; one son, Thomas Page Perkinson, Jr., of the home; one brother, Clanton C. Perkinson of Wise; and one sister, Mrs. S. G. Riggs of Wise.

One Critically Hurt, Two Others Injured

One white teenager was critically injured and two others were seriously hurt in a one-car accident at Norlina around 9 p. m. Monday.

Critically injured was Edward Coley, driver of the car; who is receiving treatment at Memorial Hospital in Chapel Hill.

Seriously hurt were T. P. Ball and Tommy Wagner.

The accident occurred when the car driven by Coley went out of control on a curve on

the Warren Plains Road in the town of Norlina and struck a telephone pole.

All three of the occupants of the car were taken to Maria Parham Hospital in Henderson from where Coley was transferred to the Chapel Hill Hospital.

The 1955 Buick automobile involved in the accident was completely demolished, according to Carlton Prigden, night policeman at Norlina, who was the investigating officer.



Warrenton Police force moved into their new quarters on Market and Main Street Tuesday. The new building replaces a smaller building on the same site.