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## Norlina Industries Operating

Norlina Industries is now in operation and producing more than 800 dresses a week, Bill Minette, Industrial Director, told the Board of County Commissioners Monday.

Minette, who appeared before the board to submit the budget of the Industrial Commission, brought with him several dresses that had been prepared by the Norlina firm. Some 27 persons are now in

production or completing training, Minette said, and openings are available for more workers as soon as they can be trained.

Minette said that the plant is fully integrated and that some of the best work is being performed by two Hallwa Indians. He said that the management is well pleased with the skill of the operators and with the quality of the work being produced.

In presenting the budget for the Industrial Commission, Minette said that Warren's budget is one-half of the budget provided by Halifax, Franklin and Vance Counties, and that he hoped that some funds could be secured from towns of the county.

F. L. Harris appeared before the commissioners asking that they request the State Highway Commission to close a dead-end road, No. 1358, at a point on Mr. Harris' property because there are no residences on this particular road.

The chairman of the board was authorized to sign a contract with Watts & Byrd, CPA's of Raleigh, to audit the books of the county officers for the fiscal year 1965-66 for a fee of \$1,650.

The commissioners requested the State Highway Department to blacktop the Fleming Dairy Road.

A. P. Rodwell, Jr., tax collector, reported 1965 taxes collected in the amount of \$409,442.16, representing tax collections to date of 93.80%. Of this amount \$16,064.81 was collected in May.

## Ruritans To Hold Talent Show At Wise

The Wise-Paschall Ruritan Club will sponsor a Talent Show on Friday night, June 17 at 8 o'clock, Calvin Young, President of the club, said yesterday.

The show will be held in the old Wise School auditorium with talent expected from Warren, Vance, Wake Counties in North Carolina and Mecklenburg County, Va. In addition young local talent is expected.

Six prizes for talent will be given in addition to door prizes.

Admission will be \$1.00 for adults and 50¢ for children under 12.

### IN HOSPITAL

Mr. James Polk is receiving treatment at Roanoke Rapids Hospital.

## Vicksboro Man Is Held On Murder Charge

A Vicksboro man is being held in Warren County jail without bond as the result of a fatal shooting in that community after midnight last Friday night.

June Coley, 38-year-old farmer, is charged with the fatal shooting of Arthur Faulkner, 58-year-old farmer, at Faulkner's home, according to Sheriff Clarence A. Davis. He will be given a hearing in Warren County Recorder's Court today (Friday).

Faulkner was said to have died at the scene after a slug from a .22 calibre pistol struck him in the stomach area. Both the accused and the victim were white men.

Coley was waiting at the scene when officers arrived and offered no resistance when



NAJOUR PRESENTS CERTIFICATE TO DELBRIDGE

## Norlina Postoffice Is Cited

The Postmaster General's "Citation for Excellence" was presented to Postmaster W. K. Delbridge at a ceremony Monday at the Norlina Post Office by George C. Najour, Director of Engineering and Facilities of the Post Office Department.

"The Post Office Department is striving to create and reflect the most favorable image possible of its facilities," Najour stated.

"It is our hopes and expectations that every office put out an extra effort to reflect, not only a place of

beauty but of warmth. It is obvious that the Norlina Post Office has gone beyond our expectations and requirements. For this reason we feel this office merits special recognition for maintaining its grounds and facility in a superior manner."

Najour continued, "I could not help but think of what effect this must have upon our young boys and girls and the stimulating it has upon them. I can well remember the days when in a small community you had to walk up and down the street to find the store to

buy a postage stamp or pick up your mail and wait until the clerk had sold that pound of meat. It is one of the most orderly, if not the most orderly, Post Office I have ever visited."

Postmasters from surrounding offices, Mayor and Mrs. Grissom, Mrs. Wyckoff, president of the Literature and Music Club, and Mrs. Stultz, president of the Norlina Women's Club and their members, and patrons of the office. An open house followed from 2 to 4 p. m.

## Warrenton Man Is Elected Lions District Governor This Week

W. Monroe Gardner, Warrenton Insurance Agency manager, was elected District Governor of District 31-G at the Lions Convention held in Winston-Salem on Sunday, Monday and Tuesday of this week.

Gardner was presented for nomination by Past District Governor Joe Moss of Youngsville and the nomination was seconded by Marion Huggins of the Durham Club.

District 31-G is composed of clubs in 35 towns and cities in North Carolina.

Gardner has been a member of the Warrenton Lions Club for thirteen years and has served as Secretary, Tall Twister, Lion Tamer, Vice President and President. Named Lion of the Year for the Warrenton club in 1961, Monroe has been a Key member since 1960. He has served on all major committees and has a perfect attendance record for the years he has been in Lionism.

He has served as Zone Chairman, Deputy District Governor, District White Cane Director, District Membership Development Chairman and Secretary of the North Carolina Association for the Blind for two terms. At present he is District Extension Chairman and is serving on the North Carolina Bureau of Employment for the Blind.

A former assistant scoutmaster, Monroe has served as chairman of the local Boy Scout drive. He is chairman of the Warren County Industrial Commission, and is now serving as Secretary-Treasurer of the Bute Development Corporation and the Warren County Development Corporation. He has been on the Industrial Committee of the Capital Area Development Association for the past seven years. He has been a member of the National Guard for 18 years and is currently First Sergeant in the Warrenton unit. A past president of the Warren County Tuberculosis Association, he has been chairman of the TB Seal sale and the Easter Seal sale. He helped organize the Warrenton Rural Fire Department in 1955 and has been a director of the department since its organization. He is an active member of the local Parent - Teachers Association.

Gardner is owner of the Warrenton Insurance Agency, a leading insurance agency in Warrenton.

He is a member of the Warrenton Baptist Church, and has served on the Board of Deacons for eight years. He was chairman of the board for two years. He taught a Sunday School class for nine years and has been a member of the church choir for thirteen years. He is a Past President of the Couples Club and the Allen Bible Class.



MONROE GARDNER

Gardner, a native of Warrenton, was born May 24, 1928. He is married to the former Nellie Bugg of Warrenton. They have a son Walter, 10 and a daughter, Jan, 7.

He attended the University of North Carolina where he was a member of Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity and the UNC marching band.

Those attending the convention in Winston-Salem were Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Gardner. (See GARDNER, page 4)

## County Commissioners Seek \$100,000 Federal Building

### Loan For Recreational Area In Amount Of \$150,000 Approved

### Needed By Government Employees

### Run-Off Is Requested By Turner

Warren County will have a Second Democratic Primary on Saturday, June 25, in order to elect a member of the Board of County Commissioners.

Wiley G. Coleman, chairman of the Warren County Board of Elections, said yesterday that Ernest A. Turner had called for a run-off election with Richard R. Davis, incumbent member of the Board of Commissioners.

Turner, president of the Warren County Chapter of the NAACP, was second high man in a district race with Commissioner Davis and Leland Gottschalk.

In the First Primary, Davis polled 1784 votes; Turner 1122 votes; and Gottschalk 822 votes.

### Telephone Company To Transfer Office Duties To Henderson

The Warrenton telephone business office will be discontinued following the close of business Friday, July 8, H. T. Pitts, local manager, announced yesterday.

Functions of the office will be transferred to Carolina Telephone and Telegraph's business office at Henderson, Pitts said.

Telephone accounts and records of subscribers here, which includes Norlina, will be moved to Henderson. "Consolidation of the Warrenton and Henderson offices will in no way curtail service," Pitts said. He reported that calls to repair service would be handled as in the past. Long distance and information service will not be affected in any way by this change.

Subscribers in Warrenton and Norlina will reach the Henderson business office by dialing 257-9111, the same number as at present.

Pitts said, "The larger Henderson office will enable the company to provide more efficient service to customers in the Warrenton area. We feel that with this new arrangement we can better serve the present and future needs of this growing area."

Carolina Telephone, which (See TELEPHONE, page 4)

Farmers Home Administration announces final approval of \$150,000 insured loan to develop a recreational area near Warrenton, according to an announcement received Tuesday from Congressman L. H. Fountain.

The loan for the Warren County project will finance the purchase of 44.4 acres of land previously in cut-over woodland and pay the cost of constructing a club house, swimming pool, ball park, picnic area, riding ring and stables and camping area.

The location of the area is on Highway No. 43, across the highway from the home of B. W. Currin, less than a mile from Warrenton.

The loan was obtained by

the Warren Recreational Club, Inc., a non-profit organization of 150 rural families. The park will serve the communities of Warrenton, Norlina, Macon, Inez and surrounding rural areas. Approximately 10,000 people live in the area to be served and some 1,000 will use the facilities each year.

Funds for the insured loan have been offered by a local bank. Under the insured loan program the FHA makes and services the loan and guarantees repayment of the money borrowed with interest.

Rep. Fountain said that announcement was made to the president of the Warren Recreational Club, W. Bernard Thompson of Macon.

## Local Jaycees To Stage Pageant Here

Warren County Junior Chamber of Commerce will stage its first beauty pageant tonight (Friday) at 8 o'clock in the John Graham High School Auditorium.

Eight lovely young ladies will vie for the title of "Miss Warren County" and the privilege of further competition that could lead to the title of "Miss North Carolina" and "Miss America."

Contestants are Miss Brenda Hale, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Hale, Jr., of Littleton, a student at the University of North Carolina at Greensboro; Miss Linda Spragins, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Spragins of Littleton, a student at East Carolina College in Greenville; Miss Patricia Sadler, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Russell Sadler of Littleton, and a student at Pembroke College, Pembroke.

Miss Faye Fair of Warrenton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Fair, a student at the University of North Carolina at Greensboro; Miss Brenda Raines of Norlina, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Raines, a senior at Norlina High School; Miss Regina Smith of Warrenton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Smith, a senior at John Graham High School.

Miss Gail Harmon of Warrenton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Harmon and a senior at John Graham High School; Miss Courtney Wilson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Wilson of Warrenton, and a student at the University of North Carolina at Greensboro.

Roy Pat Robertson, Jaycee publicity chairman, said yesterday that all is in readiness for Warren County's first Jaycee Beauty Contest, with programs printed, decorations in place, and beauty contestants ready for the contest. He said that ticket sales have shown a marked increase during the past several days. Tickets may be purchased from any Jaycee member or at the door of the John Graham High School Auditorium tonight.

### Pittman Reappointed Chairman Of Warren ABC Board

Roy A. Pittman of Grove Hill was re-appointed chairman of the Warren County ABC Board for a one-year term at a joint meeting of the Board of County Commissioners, the Board of Health and the Board of Education Monday.

Prior to his re-election as chairman, Pittman was elected to the board for a three-year term.

James H. Limer, County Attorney, presided over the meeting held in the commissioner's room. Pittman's nomination for board member was made by G. E. Harvey of the Board of Education. His nomination for chairman was made by Mayor W. A. Miles, a member of the Board of Health. There were no other nominations for either position.

Serving as board members with Pittman are W. K. Lanier of Warrenton and J. Allen Kimball of Manson.

Present at the joint meeting of the three boards were Amos L. Capps, Richard R. Davis, Alfred J. Ellington, Robert P. Thorne, John A. Wilson, J. R. Peeler, Robert Gupton, G. E. Harvey, Boyd Mayfield, Mayor W. A. Miles and Dr. Frank P. Hunter.

### Harris Appointed

Walter Jack Harris, Warrenton Insurance man, was appointed a member of the board of trustees of the Warren General Hospital by the Board of County Commissioners Monday.

Harris will succeed Hugh Holt, Warrenton businessman, who resigned several weeks ago.

Holt had served on the board of trustees since the board was organized nearly twenty years ago.

The Warren County Board of Commissioners Monday requested the construction of a \$100,000 Federal building here to house all agricultural agencies which are receiving assistance from the federal government.

The request was made in a letter to Dr. W.G. Andrews, District Extension Chairman, North Carolina State University, Raleigh, following the appearance of Frank W. Reams, county extension chairman, to request more room for extension workers. Also appearing at the meeting were Walter S. Smiley, chairman of the county ASCS committee, and T.E. Watson, ASCS office manager.

Reams told the commissioners that the extension departments must be fully entered by July 1 and that he had been informed that previously all-white and all-Negro departments should be housed in the same building. This is not possible, he said, so long as federal agencies are housed in the county agricultural building.

Smiley and Watson, whose agency is housed in the basement of the agricultural building, said that while they would prefer better quarters they were making no protest against the present arrangement. They said, however, that they were interested in the construction of a proposed federal building.

Reams told the commissioners that it had been suggested that the federal government might construct a building here. He said that is estimated that it would cost around \$150,000 if all agricultural workers were housed in it, plus additional space for parking, if the building is to house only federal agencies, he estimated that the cost would not be less than \$100,000.

The commissioners said that while they realized the need for such building, that the county does not have funds necessary for its construction. They expressed the unanimous view that a bond issue to raise money for this purpose would not pass, and that to pay for its construction would require a tax raise of 50¢, which they considered prohibitive. This was set forth in the commissioners' letter to Dr. Andrews.

Monday was a day for the submission of tentative budgets, with requests for funds by the Welfare Department, Agricultural Department and a request that the Board of Education's budget be studied in a special joint meeting of the two board Thursday night. In addition, Bill Reid appeared before the commissioners to ask for a donation for the Warren County Rescue Squad. He was accompanied to the meeting by Emory Vaughan, captain of the Roanoke Rapids Rescue Squad, sponsors of the Warren County squad. Vaughan explained the purpose of Rescue Squads and the services the render to the public.

Practical all tentative budgets asked for more funds with the greatest increase asked by the Welfare Department. This agency asked for an increase of \$21,500, to increase space at the Welfare building and to care for increased costs of operating the department.

Before presenting his budget, Julian Farrar, welfare superintendent, read a statement to the commissioners explained that Medicare and other governmental programs is expected to increase the (See BUILDING, page 5)



LITTLE LEAGUE PLAYS FIRST BASEBALL GAME OF SEASON