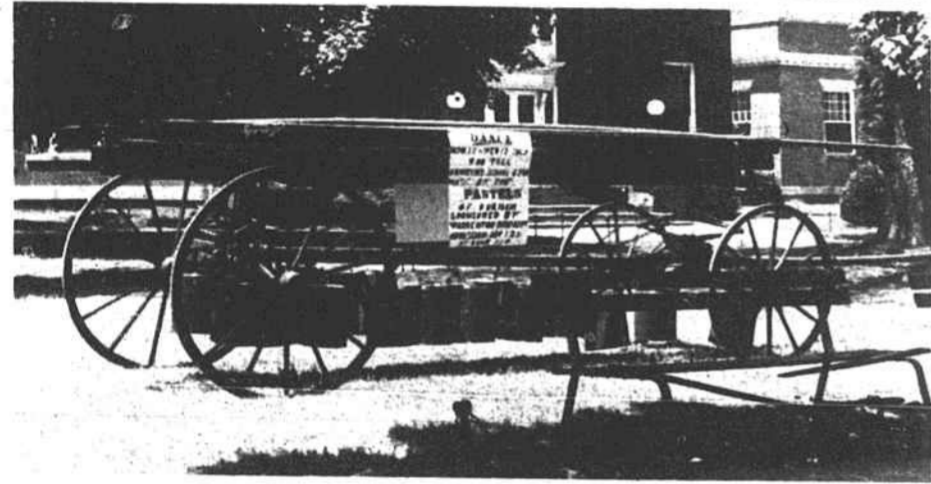




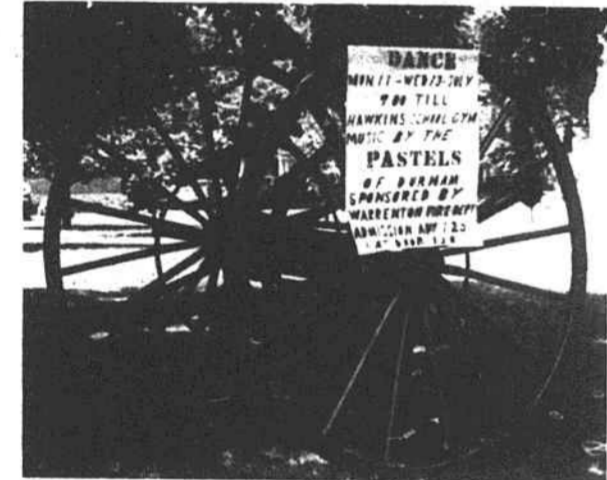
Tobacco damaged by hail on the "Doc" Thompson farm near Macon is shown above. Hail did considerable damage to the crop in the Macon-Oakville-Churchill area last Monday and Tuesday, County Extension Chairman Frank W. Reams reported yesterday. Examples of the heavy hail damage has been observed on the M. B. (Doc) Thomp-

son and William Wilson farms. Although official hail reports have not been made, casual observation indicates that some fields were damaged considerably over 50%. There were reports of scattered light hail all over the county. Reams said that it is too early to estimate the total loss in the county. (Photo by Reams)



Relics

In top picture is shown the old ladder wagon used for many years by the Warrenton Fire Company. The vehicle carried on its top, ladders, and slung beneath the body are 20 five-gallon cans to hold water obtained from cisterns. At left is the reel cart. Both of these vehicles were pulled by the firemen at a run and both were used here for many years.



Firemen From Towns To Meet Here Next Week For Convention

Firemen from ten cities will converge on Warrenton Monday when the Warrenton Fire Department will host the North Carolina Volunteer Firemen's Association in its 76th annual convention from July 11 through July 14.

Cities and town to be represented here next week are Greenville, Wake Forest, Wilson, Maple Hill, Farmville, Louisburg, Tarboro, East Nash, Ayden and East Spencer.

Activities will begin on Monday at noon with registration at the John R. Hawkins High School Gymnasium. At 4 p. m. the firemen will stage a parade from Hawkins School to John Graham School. On Monday night at 8 p. m. a public program will be held at the Hawkins Gymnasium.

The principal speaker will be Capt. Calvin Beck, area consultant Fire Service Training, Richmond Technical Institute, Rockingham. A dance will follow at 9 p. m. with music being furnished by Professor Hudson and the Pastels in the Hawkins Gymnasium.

On Tuesday the firemen will hold a business session at 9:30 a. m. at the gym. A ball game will be staged at the Warrenton Park at 3 p. m. and that night at 8 o'clock a social hour will be held in the gym for members of the Ladies Auxiliary.

On Wednesday from 8 a. m. to 5 p. m. a Fire Training Program will be held at Wilson. The firemen will return to Warrenton for a dance at the gym from 9 p. m. to 1

a. m. Music will be furnished by the Pastels.

On Thursday a business session will be held at the Hawkins gym, beginning at 9:30 a. m. At noon the Warrenton Fire Department will give a truck demonstration. Activities will be concluded Thursday at noon with a Firemen's dinner at the Hawkins High School.

Members of the Warrenton Fire Company are Cleveland Anderson, James Arrington, Walter Barnes, Charles Brown, Leon Cheek, Robert Coleman, Haywood Evans, Clarence Green, Frank Jones, Archie King, Joe Reed, Percell Reed, Joseph Richardson, Manson Williams, Otis Williams, Herbert Davis, Hugh Plummer, Alfred Davis, and McCa. Il Alston.



Warren County commissioners who participated in a one-day program at Murdoch Center in Butler which was designed to portray the role of county commissioners in the development of community action programs

for the mentally retarded are shown at the conclusion of the Thursday meeting. They are, left to right, A. J. Ellington, Chairman Amos L. Capps and J. A. Wilson. (Staff Photo)

Co. Board Awards Oil Contract

A contract to furnish heating oil to the jail, the Health Department and the Welfare Department for the coming winter was awarded to the Warren County FCX service by the board of county commissioners in session here Tuesday.

The bid to the cooperative was made on the basis of the low bid. FCX's bid was 2.5c below the consumer tank price, plus a 17 cash discount, and was lower than the identical bids of Bullock Oil Company and Bowers and Burrows.

Little business was transacted at the board's session held on Tuesday because the July 4 holiday came on Monday, and adjournment came around 4 o'clock in the afternoon.

The State Highway Commission was also requested to grade, drain and stabilize county roads Nos. 1214 and 1215, known as the "Norlina School Building Road," a distance of one mile.

The State Highway Commission was also requested to establish a 35-mile-per-hour speed zone through Drewryon Road No. 1224.

A. P. Rodwell, tax collector, reported 1965 taxes collected during the month of June, 1966, in the amount of \$3,843.65, making a total of 1965 taxes collected to date of \$413,285.81. The percentage of 1965 taxes collected to date is 94.68.

Roy Pittman Named To ABC Board For Three-Year Term

Roy Pittman was appointed chairman of the Warren County ABC Board at a joint meeting of the Board of Education, the Board of Commissioners and the Board of Health met in the Commissioner's room Tuesday afternoon. James H. Limer, county attorney, presided over the brief session.

Pittman was appointed as chairman of the ABC Board for a one-year term several weeks ago. His appointment for three years Tuesday was made to conform with former practice of the three boards.

Present for the joint meeting were Commissioners Amos L. Capps, Alfred J. Ellington, Richard R. Davis, Robert P. Thorne, and John A. Wilson; Robert Gupton and J. R. Peeler of the Board of Health, and Dr. S. H. Massey and Mayor W. A. Miles of the Board of Health.

PURCHASES BULL

Thomas Scott Gardner of Warrenton recently purchased an Aberdeen-Angus bull from Edward Jenkins of Millwood, Va.

Traffic Violators In Court

Warren County Recorder's Court had the appearance of a traffic court last Friday as 27 of the 31 cases docketed were concerned with violations of motor vehicle laws with most of these concerned with speeding.

In cases not concerned with violation of traffic laws, the state took a nol prois with leave in the case of David Lee Woodlief, charged with non-support.

Johnnie Richardson, charged with the possession of illicit whiskey, was ordered to pay court costs. She was ordered to be held in jail until the costs are paid or she shall be discharged otherwise by the court.

In another case in which Johnnie Richardson was charged with possession of illicit whiskey for the purpose of sale, she was ordered to be held in jail until she pays court costs and a \$25 fine or shall be discharged otherwise according to law.

Junius Taylor pled guilty to an assault. Prayer for judgment was continued upon condition that the defendant keeps the peace towards all persons and pays court costs.

Phyllis Diane Etheridge pled guilty to a charge of reckless driving. Prayer for judgment was continued for one year provided the defendant does not violate any motor vehicle laws of state for one year and pays court costs.

Walter Pierce Hicks was ordered to pay a \$300 fine when he pled guilty to drunk driv-

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One Man Hurt In Single Car Wreck

C. Isaac Pringle, Jr., 29, a resident of Washington, D. C., was injured and taken to Jubilee Hospital in Henderson following a single-car accident near Warrenton on Sunday afternoon.

The wreck occurred at 1:50 on rural road No. 1116, three and a half miles west of Warrenton.

Highway Trooper Sam T. Webster reported that the 1966 model auto operated by Pringle was eastbound on the road, went out of control, ran off the road to the right and overturned. Damages were estimated at approximately \$973.

Pringle was charged with driving too fast for existing conditions.

Stoney Appointed To Welfare Board

The Rev. James M. Stoney, Jr., Episcopal minister of Warrenton, has been appointed to the Warren County Welfare Board, succeeding Charles M. White, III, Warrenton attorney, whose term has expired.

Notice of Mr. Stoney's appointment was made in a letter to the county commissioners from the State Welfare Board, and read at the Tuesday meeting of the commissioners.



This week the Tar Heel Tire and Sale Service of Warrenton presented to the Warren County Rescue Squad re-capped tires to be used on the squad's ambulance. Shown, left to right, are Eddie Clayton, manager, who made the presentation on behalf of his company, to Glenwood Rose and James Moseley, who received the donation on behalf of the Rescue Squad. The representatives ask that anyone having gifts for the Rescue Squad to contact Bill Rekl, Captain, Littleton, or any member of the squad.

Rooker Named Town Manager

Clerk With Town For Five Years



J. ED ROOKER

J. Ed Rooker, town clerk and tax collector for the Town of Warrenton for the past five years, has been appointed Town Manager by the board of town commissioners.

Rooker's appointment, which carried no immediate pay increase, was made in a special ordinance passed by the commissioners on Thursday night of last week during a reorganizational meeting. His salary remains at \$425 a month.

Rooker is a native of Warrenton, the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Rooker. He attended school at Miss Lucy Hawkins, the Warrenton graded school, and the old Warrenton High School during the last two years of its operation by the late John Graham. Later in life he completed a three-years extension course with LaSalle Extension University in Higher Accounting and CPA Coaching.

At the age of 15, Rooker took a full-time job with Boyd's Warehouse, with which his father was connected, and remained with this firm for fifteen years. He left this job in the early days of the depression to accept a position as district disbursing officer for WRA, later CWA, and the Rehabilitation Corporation, with offices in Henderson.

After about a year and a half, Rooker resigned from this office to accept a position with the Peck Manufacturing Company, upon its reorganization following its bankruptcy in 1935. He remained with this company for 25 years, beginning as an accountant and becoming vice president and general manager. When the Peck Mill was bought by Philadelphia and Gaston interests, Rooker was retained with the Warrenton mill and also made vice-president of the Clayton Spinning Co.

Later Rooker resigned to accept appointment as Recorder of Sudan Shrine Temple, moving to New Bern, where he remained a year until a breakdown in his health caused him to resign and return to Warrenton.

Rooker, who is a former mayor of the town, accepted a position with the town as town clerk, tax collector, with other duties, in 1961. He will fill these positions as well as that of his new job as town manager.

Rooker is a member of the Warrenton Baptist Church, where for more than 15 years he has served as teacher of the Allen Bible Class. He is a member and past president of the Warrenton Lions Club, and a former Tar Heel of the Week. He is Past Potentate of Sudan Shrine Temple, and Post Line Officer of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina.

Married to the former Mary Crinkley of Warrenton, they have two daughters, Mrs. Robert L. Elkins of Charleston, W. Va., and Miss Edwina Rooker, chairman of the English Department of Frank W. Cox High School at Virginia Beach, Va., and two grandchildren.

GUEST SOLOIST

Miss Kay Fair will be guest soloist at Wesley Memorial Methodist Church on Sunday morning at the 11 o'clock service.

IN HOSPITAL

Ronnie King is a patient at Rex Hospital in Raleigh. He was operated on for appendicitis Wednesday night.

W. B. Neal Appointed Water Company Supt.



BILL NEAL

W.B. Neal of Warrenton was named Superintendent of the Warrenton Water Company at an organizational meeting of the town board on Thursday night of last week. He succeeds H. R. Skillman, resigned, in this position.

Neal, had been Skillman's assistant for several years and had been trained as a replacement. His salary was set at \$85 a week. Dallas Bolton was named assistant Superintendent of the Water Company at \$70 per week.

J. Ed Rooker was appointed town manager at this meeting and other officials of the town were re-elected. They included: E. D. Cheving as Chief of Police and Superintendent of Streets; and Police Officers Howard Salmon, G. Macon Reavis and Kenneth Short, and relief officer W. Lewis Peoples.

Frank Ray Vaughan was named utility engineer.

Walker P. Burwell was re-named Fire Chief, and Thomas Gaskill was named First Assistant Fire Chief.

Re-elected as trustees of the Firemen's Relief Fund were J. Howard Daniel and G. W. Poindexter.

A. C. Fair was re-elected Civil Defence Director.

Re-elected as members of the Town Planning Board were G. W. Poindexter, chairman;

Miss Marlam Boyd, Mrs. Thomas W. Hawkins, Mrs. John Kerr, Jr., James Y. Kerr, Mrs. John G. Mitchell, Mrs. C. E. Rodwell, and commissioners.

A. C. Blaylock was re-appointed as the town's director on the board of directors of the Warrenton Railroad Company.

Brickhouse To Hold W. Plains Service

The Rev. R. E. Brickhouse, retired minister, will speak Sunday, July 10, at the Warren Plains Baptist Church at the 11 o'clock worship service.

The church choir will sing the hymn, "Lord, Light My Soul With Holy Flame." The words to this hymn were written by Mr. Brickhouse, who has written many poems and hymns.

The Rev. Mr. Brickhouse is supplying the Warren Plains Baptist Church in the absence of the pastor, the Rev. R. F. Oates, who is on vacation.

RIDGEWAY SERVICES

Holy Communion will be celebrated at the Church of the Good Shepherd in Ridgeway on Sunday at 9:45 a. m., the Rev. J. M. Stoney, Jr., rector, announced yesterday.

IN HOSPITAL

Mr. J. R. James is undergoing treatment at Warren General Hospital.