



One of the two Welcome Centers in North Carolina, which are scheduled to open on Aug. 1, is shown under construction in Wednesday morning. It is located on I-85 between Oline and

where I-85 is crossed by Highway No. 1, and is on the site of a former rest area.

Welcome Station To Open On August 1

North Carolina's two welcome centers, one on I-85 in Warren County and the other on I-95 in Northampton County, are expected to begin operation on Aug. 1, according to a Raleigh news story.

Among the six hostesses already employed are a Norlina woman and two women from Henderson. They are Mrs. Linda Fleming of Norlina and Mrs. Rachel Petty and Mrs. Sandra Perkinson of Henderson.

Miss Judy Mumford of Seaboard. The eighth hostess has not been hired yet.

Their salaries will range from \$4,176 to \$6,408 a year. The young women, who will officially greet tourists to North Carolina at the state's two welcome centers, began a two-week training session Monday to bone up on fact and fiction of the Old North State.

Governor Dan Moore greeted six of the seven attractive young women already employed on their first day on the job Monday. He reminded them of the important role they will play in promoting North Carolina as a "Variety Vacationland." Miss Judy Mumford was unable to be present at the governor's office.

For their call at the governor's office, the hostesses sported smart beige uniforms trimmed in dark brown. They wore matching leather gloves and stylish brown shoes.

During the coming weeks the hostesses will tour North Carolina, visiting practically every historical and recreational spot in the state.

Mrs. Sara Harrison, supervisor of the welcome centers, said the hostesses will be expected "to tell visitors about attractions in North Carolina." In addition, she said, they will plan vacations and map out routes as well as supplying information about the weather, highways and accommodations.

Mrs. Harrison said the two new welcome centers will be open 365 days a year—from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. in June, July and August, and from 8 a.m.

to 5 p.m. during the remaining months.

The centers are being built of brick in a Fleming bond pattern, using "Old Salem" architecture. Each will have a bay window and dormer window on the second level. Total costs of both centers, now nearing completion, is about \$120,000.

The C & D Board requested the 1967 General Assembly to appropriate funds to build seven welcome centers. The Advisory Budget Commission recommended only four and this number was cut to two by the Legislature's Joint Appropriation Committee.

Revival To Be Held At Browns

A series of revival services will be held at Browns Baptist Church at Axtelle from June 30 to July 5, the Rev. J. Marshall Neathery, pastor, announced yesterday. Services will be held each night, beginning at 8 o'clock.

The Rev. Gwyn P. Sullivan, pastor of the New Sandy Creek Baptist Church, will be the guest preacher. He is a native of Caldwell County and has been the pastor of New Sandy Creek Church since December, 1967. He is married and has four children.

Special music will be rendered throughout the week, Mr. Neathery said. He said the public is cordially invited to attend these services of worship.

Bad Check, Whiskey Cases Tried

A Warren County woman, found guilty on two counts of violating the whiskey laws of the state, and a defendant charged with two charges of giving a worthless check, were tried in Warren County Recorder's Court last Friday. Other cases involved speeding charges.

Daisy Bell Bullock was charged with possession of non-taxpaid whiskey for sale and in a second case was charged with possession of non-taxpaid whiskey. The defendant was sentenced to the woman's prison at Raleigh for six months on each count. The sentences were suspended for five years in each case. Provisions of the suspension in the first case was that the defendant not violate any of the prohibition laws of the state for five years and pays a fine of \$200 and court costs. The provisions in the second case were the same except that the fine was omitted.

C. B. Frazier pled guilty to giving a worthless check in two cases. Prayer for judgment was continued in each case. In one case he was required to pay into the office of the Clerk of Superior Court the sum of \$18 for the use of Rose's Store. In the second case he was required to pay into the office of the Clerk of Superior Court the sum of \$22.00 for the use of Rose's Store, and pay court costs.

Defendants in speeding cases and verdicts of the court were as follows:

Roger Butler, costs; Joseph P. Glenn, costs; Charles R. Freedman, costs; Dale Virginia Goff, \$10 and costs; Gary Carleton Cough, costs; John Brunson Hammond, Jr., costs; Oscar D. Jeter, costs; Charles Edward Lesher, costs; Jack Curtis Smith, costs; Arnold Thomas Stencil, costs; Harford Bunn, costs.

Coke Machine At Marina Damaged

Henderson—A Coke machine at Tar Heel Marina was broken into and damaged an estimated \$200 during the weekend, the sheriff's office was advised today by Harold Watkins, of the bottling company. The money box and money were taken, said the report late Monday.

DIFFERENT RIVERS

The Robert Rivers, a recent defendant in Warren County Recorder's Court on charges of violation of motor vehicle laws, is not the Robert D. Rivers of Norlina who drives a Pepsi-Cola truck for a Henderson bottling company.

Cancellation Possible

Food Stamp Program In Warren County Delayed

Warren County 1968-69 Tax Rate Is Again Set At \$1.97

Warren County's 1968-69 tax rate will remain at \$1.97 on the \$100 valuation, according to the

tentative budget adopted by the commissioners on June 18 and released to the public this week.

The \$1.97 rate is the same that has prevailed here for the past four years.

4-H Club Members To Leave For Camp

Twenty Warren County 4-H Club members will leave on Monday, July 1, for a camp at Betsy-Jeff Penn 4-H Center near Reidsville. They will be accompanied by Miss Emily Ballinger, home economics extension agent, and a leader.

The Warren County campers will camp with 4-H Club members from Davidson County for a week of recreation, educational classes and fun.

Club members attending from Warren County will be Elaine Bender, Suzanne Bender, Donna Brauer, Katherine Brauer, Annie Craft, Edith Craft, Tommie Craft, Dawn Curtis, Alice Dryden, Susan Dryden, Paula Fleming, Kathryn King, Paulette Robertson, Daniel Bender, Samuel Bender, Tony Coley, Phillip Fleming, Anthony Garrett, Michael Garrett, and Michael West.

The budget must remain open for public inspection for 20 days prior to its formal adoption.

An allotment of \$12,000 for ambulance service and \$13,000 for the construction of an addition at the Welfare Department are new figures included in the budget, making a reduction in the rate impossible. More than a million dollars rise in valuations made it possible to hold the rate at the same figure.

The tentative budget calls for a total appropriation of \$773,901.17. Of this amount \$432,548.68 is from ad valorem taxes and \$321,352.49 is from taxes other than ad valorem. Ad valorem taxes account for 57.4 per cent of the budget and non-ad valorem taxes account for 42.6 per cent of the budget.

Schools account for around one-third of the total budget. Current expenses of the schools are \$169,198.24, and capital outlay for \$59,418.93, for a total

of \$229,617.17.

Other items going to make up the budget are: General Fund, \$193,707.06; County Accountant, \$13,103.08; Farm Agent \$17,496.52; Home Demonstration Agent, \$6,149.04; Public Health, \$25,773.80; Poor, \$1,000; O.A.A. Grants, \$26,705.00; Aid to Blind, \$8,088.00; A.F.D.C. Grants, \$37,498.00; A.P.T.D. Grants, \$19,862.00.

Welfare Department Administration, \$67,282.00; Veteran Service Officer, \$5,112.00; Ambulance Service, \$12,000; Court House, \$4,000.00; Hospital Maintenance, \$35,250.00; Revaluation, \$7,200.00; Industrial Development, \$11,800.00; Debt Service, \$33,257.50.

Injures Eye

A.D. (Bud) Endicott, who sustained an eye injury at Gaston Lake on Tuesday is at Duke Hospital in Durham where it is not yet known whether the sight of the eye can be saved. He was struck in the left eye by a flying nail as he was engaged in carpentering.



Three Warren County 4-H members who were district winners in 4-H demonstration competition at East Central 4-H Activity Day are, left to right: Linda Holtzman, Laura Bender and Arlene Bender.

Three Warren County 4-H Members Are Winners In District Contest

Three Warren County 4-H club members were District winners in 4-H demonstration competition at East Central 4-H Activity Day held at Clayton High School, Clayton, on Thursday, June 20.

The members placing first in the district were Linda Holtzman in Dairy Foods Demonstration contest (Early Teens); Laura Bender in Egg Cookery demonstration and Arlene Bender in Girl's Electric demonstration. These club members will each receive \$20.00 scholarships to State 4-H Club Week to be held in Raleigh July 22-26. Linda's scholarship is given by the American Dairy Association of North Carolina; Laura's is given by the North Carolina Egg Marketing Association; and Arlene's is given by the Tar Heel Electric Membership Association.

Earlier this year, two Warren County leaders, Mrs. Chris Holtzman, Sr., and Mr. Sidney Fleming, had been named District winners in their 4-H leadership participation and on Thursday were presented certificates by the State 4-H Honor Club for their outstanding leadership work.

In addition to the club mem-

bers being declared top place winners in the District, there were several Warren County club members receiving blue ribbons in their areas of participation. Demonstration blue ribbon winners were Delaine Meek in Fruit and Vegetable Use demonstration and Eric Tunstall in Poultry Barbecue demonstration. Sandra Johnson placed in the blue ribbon group in Girl's Public Speaking.

The three talent numbers from Warren County were all blue ribbon winners. These numbers included William Crews, singing a solo; Mary Dowell Taylor, Paulette Robertson, Rosa Felts, Debra Smith, Linda Holtzman and Suzanne Bender, giving a tap dance routine; and Diane Hendricks, David Hendricks, Mary Gwyn Coleman and Richard Coleman singing "Aurora Lee" and "Summertime."

Red ribbon winners and their areas of competition were Dora Russell, Cotton Utilization demonstration; Arlene Bender, Dress Revue; Maryland Wilson, Entomology demonstration; Edward Tunstall, Forestry demonstration; Belinda Davis

and Patricia Williams in Rural Civil Defense demonstration; Richard Holtzman in Wildlife demonstration; and Mary Renea Reavis in Soil and Water Conservation demonstration.

Club members receiving white ribbons and their areas of competition were Kathy Perry and Roy C. Alston in Forage Crop demonstration; Gwyn Hunter, Home Improvement demonstration; Mary Gwyn Coleman, Sewing demonstration; Danny Davis, Tractor Operator contest; and Sandra Haskins and Jacqueline Haskins, The American Business System demonstration.

Nancy Mitchell was Warren County's voting delegate. Others from Warren County attending the East Central District Activity Day were: Miss Emily Ballinger, Home Economics Extension Agent, L.C. Cooper, Agricultural Extension Agent, George W. Koonce, Associate Agricultural Extension Agent, Mrs. William Bender, Mrs. Richard Holtzman, Mrs. Owen Robertson, Jr., Miss Ella Dunson, Mrs. A.M. Alston, Mrs. John Reavis, Mrs. Ernest Johnson, Fran and Keith Johnson, Sandra Paynter and Mrs. Leigh Meek.

More Than Half Of Citizens Non-Farmers

While all of Warren County, including its incorporated towns, is classified as rural, less than half of its people are classified as farmers, according to information compiled and computed by the U.S. Bureau of the Census.

A table prepared by the University of North Carolina from the census figures and released last week shows that 52.9 percent of Warren's population is classified as non-farm and 47.1 per cent is classified as farm.

Thirty-one of North Carolina's 100 counties are classified as rural, the table reveals.

Vance, Franklin, Halifax and Nash counties, all of which border on Warren, are classified as urban. The only rural county bordering on Warren is Northampton.

Warren County To Start Own Ambulance Service On July 1

Warren County will operate its own ambulance service, beginning on July 1, on a seven-day, 24-hour basis.

The service, which will begin with one ambulance, will be operated by Roy Harmon of Warrenton on a salary basis, and he will be backed up by the Warrenton Rescue Squad and the Warrenton Fire Department on an emergency basis.

Twelve thousand dollars has been placed in the budget for the purchase of an ambulance and for its operation. Harmon said yesterday that the ambulance has already been ordered and delivery has been promised within 30 days. He said that by special agreement he would be permitted to use the ambulance of the Warrenton Rural Fire Department until the county's ambulance arrives, in order that the service might start on July 1.

On and after July 1 persons wanting ambulance service are asked to call the following tele-

phone numbers: 257-3364 (Sheriff's office), day. 257-3123 (Warrenton-Police Dept.), night. 257-3749 (Harmon's home), at any hour.

Persons needing ambulances are asked to call Harmon first. All trips will be charged for by the rates set up by the county commissioners last week. They are: Any trip within county—\$20. Trips outside county—\$20, plus 20¢ a mile both ways from the county line. The first hour of a waiting period will be without additional charge; each additional hour \$5.00.

Harmon said that in cases of emergency he would be assisted by the Sheriff's Department where two officers and the jailer has qualified for ambulance service.

In cases of other emergencies, such as wrecks and other accidents, or in sudden illness when he was already on

call that the county's service would be backed up by ambulances of the Warrenton Rural Fire Department and the Warrenton Rescue Squad.

Harmon stressed the fact that the new ambulance service is not a private service but is county owned and county operated. He said that if it is to be successful the full cooperation of the citizens must be given.

Harmon has been the chief driver for the Warrenton Rural Fire Department's ambulance and has made many trips to local and out-of-county hospitals during the emergency caused by the withdrawal of all funeral homes from ambulance service. He said yesterday that while the county system is new here he feels that it will not only give the county good ambulance service but that it should remove a burden from both the Warren Rescue Squad and the Warrenton Rural Fire Department.

Warren County Food Stamp Program, scheduled to begin operation on July 1, will be delayed in opening and possibly cancelled, Julian W. Farrar, Welfare Director, announced Tuesday.

Farrar said he was notified of the delay and possible cancellation in a letter received from the United States Department of Agriculture Consumer and Marketing Service, Washington, D.C., last Friday.

He said that contact has been made by state officials through N.C. Senator Jordan, who is a member of the Senate Agricultural Committee, to permit the three N.C. Counties of Guilford, Rockingham, and Warren to begin their programs but no affirmative action has yet been received. Rep. L.H. Fountain has also been notified.

Farrar said that persons issued identification cards should retain them until further notice.

The Citizens Bank has already received a shipment of the coupons for use beginning July 1. These will be retained until further disposition of the program is known.

A number of Warren County merchants have qualified to handle food stamps following a meeting with Sam W. Pope, officer in charge of the Consumer Food Program field office in Rocky Mount, here on June 18. Farrar said yesterday that more than 200 families had already been certified to participate in the Stamp Program, and Federal and Food Stamp Program officials last week were urging Warren County citizens to participate in the program.

The Letter from the USDA Consumer and Marketing Service, signed by Rodney E. Leonard, Administrator, and addressed to J.W. Farrar, Director of Warren County Department of Public Welfare, reads as follows:

"This is to inform you that we have today notified the chief welfare officer of your State that the Food Stamp Program cannot open in your area in July, even though we had earlier indicated our approval of his plans.

"At this time we do not know at what level the Food Stamp Program will be funded in fiscal 1969. Until this is clear, I have no other alternative than to take the above action. We are authorizing only 38 areas in the entire country to open in July. These 38 areas are among the 1,000 lowest per capita income counties that do not now have a food assistance program for needy families. We will soon make a decision as to the status of other areas among the 1,000 lowest per capita income counties that have requested to be designated for food stamps.

"I regret having to take this action but to do otherwise could jeopardize the entire Food Stamp Program which now reaches 2.5 million people in 1,027 areas throughout the United States. I am hopeful that the funding situation will be settled shortly. In the meantime, if we can assist you in alleviating immediate food needs by the Commodity Distribution Program, we will be pleased to work with you and your State commodity distribution agency."

Interest Rate Lowered On State Deposits

RALEIGH—Gov. Dan Moore and the Council of State today lowered the interest rate banks must pay on state deposits from 6 per cent to 5 3/4 per cent.

The governor and council explained that the rate charged by the state on its deposits is governed by the rate paid on U.S. Treasury securities which has declined recently.

The last change in the rate was made in the rate from 6 per cent to 6 1/4 per cent in May 1967.