



MAN'S BODY BROUGHT FROM WELL

Body Of Missing Man Found In Deep Well; Brought To Surface

The body of a 38-year-old Negro man, missing for more than 24 hours, was removed from a deep well at his home in Drewry around 4:30 p. m. Monday, by members of the Warren County Rescue Squad, Warren Rural Firemen and

members of the Sheriff's Department. Beechy Bullock was dead when his body was located by Sheriff Clarence Davis and Bonny Stevenson and removed from the bottom of an 18-inch terra cotta pipe some 70 to 80 feet deep.

Sheriff Davis said that Bullock's father reported to him around 9 a. m. Monday morning that his son was missing and had last been seen around 2 a. m. Sunday morning at his home. He and Deputy Bonny Stevenson returned with the father to the son's home where they found Bullock's wife looking down into an abandoned well. Sheriff Davis said that indications were that something had been around the well but that their flashlight was not powerful enough to reach the bottom of the well and that the sun was under a cloud and light could not be reflected down the pipe with a mirror.

The officers returned to Warrenton and obtained a more powerful flashlight and notified the Rescue Squad and the Rural Fire Department. Returning to the scene, the officers found, the sun having appeared, with the use of a mirror and flashlight, that a body was in the well.

Sheriff Davis said that the body was removed with ropes and grappling hooks in a short time. The body was taken to Warren General Hospital for examination by Dr. Charles Bunch, medical officer, and the information obtained by the officers was turned over to him and Coroner Bobby Blaylock. Sheriff Davis said they ruled the death was caused from the fall and shock and possibly suffocation and that death was suicide. Sheriff Davis said that Bullock was a former mental patient and also suffered from epilepsy.

Food Stamp Users Show A Decline

The number of Warren County citizens participating in the Food Stamp program dropped 237 from June to July, according to the Food and Nutrition Service of the U. S. Department of Agriculture. The drop from 3,237 to 3,000 was attributed to increased agricultural employment opportunities during July.

U. S. Department of Agriculture food programs aided 196,113 needy persons in North Carolina during July, 17,694 persons less than the number that received food assistance in June but 48,314 persons more than the number that took part in the programs a year ago.

USDA's Food and Nutrition Service said that 67,838 persons in 38 counties took part in its food stamp program and received \$453,066 in bonus coupons. FNS' family food distribution program aided 128,275 persons in 59 counties. The foods distributed had an estimated retail value of \$1.4 million and included dairy products, canned and dried fruits and vegetables, canned meat or poultry, grain and cereal products, as well as other items such as peanut butter and scrambled egg mix.

In North Carolina, the food distribution program is administered by the North Carolina Department of Agriculture, and the food stamp program is administered by the North Carolina Board of Public Welfare, both in cooperation with the Food and Nutrition Service.

Town Not To Pick Up County Bldgs. Trash

The Board of Town Commissioners on Monday night directed Town Manager J. Ed Rooker to write to the County Board of Commissioners informing that body that due to its failure to share in the cost of maintaining the town's trash dump that effective Oct. 1, that the town will make no pick-ups of trash from county buildings with the exception of the Warren General Hospital.

Action of the board was taken after Manager Rooker had read a letter to the town commissioners from J. H. Limer, county attorney, stating that the county rejected the town's proposal for the use of the garbage dump. During the session that lasted for more than four hours, the commissioners also ordered that a letter be written to Howard T. Pitts, manager of Carolina Telephone and

Telegraph Company, of Henderson relative to poor telephone service in town recently. Jimmy D. Roberts, Fire Chief, appeared before the board with a proposal that an addition be made to the town fire station as a memorial to former Fire Chief Walker P. Burwell. The board, with favorable comment, referred the matter to the fire committee.

The board passed a resolution for the town to join the Central Regional Planning Commission, a law enforcement unit sponsored by the Governor's Committee on Law and Order, Counties embraced in the Central Unit are Warren, Granville, Vance, Franklin, Wilson, Halifax, Nash and Edgecombe.

The matter of failure of motorists to pay parking meter tickets was before the commissioners who expressed concern with the large number of motorists who have failed to pay tickets in recent weeks. The board ordered that a list of unpaid parking tickets since Aug. 1 be made and warrants issued against all persons who are in violation.

Six Persons Are Badly Hurt In Truck-Car Crash

Six persons were injured, two critically, in a truck-car collision on 401 near Sulphur Springs Baptist Church at 4:45 p. m. Saturday.

Taken to Warren General Hospital were Walter Pete Jones, driver of 1968 International Pickup truck, and a passenger, George Robinson; Craven Woodrow Hicks, driver of a 1968 Ford, and three passengers, Bennie Hicks, Barbara McMillan and Shirley Weaver, all of Garner. Robinson and Mrs. Weaver were transferred to Duke Hospital in Durham.

Jones suffered broken ribs and lacerations. Robinson suffered two broken legs, a broken arm and head injuries. Craven Woodrow Hicks suffered chest injuries and lacerations; Bennie Hicks, fractured left arm; Barbara McMillan, laceration

and Shirley Weaver, broken leg, other leg injuries and internal injuries.

Both the truck and car were completely demolished according to V. R. (Pat) Vaughan, investigating Highway Patrolman.

Evidence, Vaughan said, was that Jones attempted to make a left-hand turn into 401 and his truck was struck by the car driven by Hicks coming over a hill and travelling north. Vaughan said that a man following the car on a motorcycle testified that he did not think the Ford was travelling over 55 miles per hour.

Jones has been charged with failure to see that the movement of his truck could be made in safety.

Vaughan said that no charges have been made against the driver of the Ford.

Coach Brooks Turns Down Raleigh Offer

Coach Harvey Brooks of John Graham High School has turned down an offer made last week to join the coaching staff at Needham Broughton High School in Raleigh.

Coach Brooks said Monday that he turned down the offer on Monday because "I didn't think it fair to my boys."

He said that the players had been good to him and he didn't think it would be right to drop them in the midst of a season.

Miss Linda King left Monday to attend East Carolina University, Greenville, accompanied by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Allen King.

Registration Day Tuesday

Warren County Schools To Begin Session On Thursday

The Warren County Board of Education ordered on Monday night that Warren County Public Schools be open for the 1969-70 session on Thursday, Sept. 18 as the first regular school day. Teachers are to report for duty on Monday, Sept. 15, and students are to register on Tuesday, Sept. 16, and remain at home on Wednesday when teachers will work. Thursday students will report for classes. On Sept. 18 and 19 school

will start at 8:30 and end at 11:30. On Sept. 22 and 23 school will be in session until 2 p. m. with lunch being served for the first time on Sept. 22. Principals will decide whether there is a necessity for additional short days. Lunchroom managers will work two days prior to the opening of the lunchrooms, beginning work on the 18th. Lunchroom employees will begin work on the 19th. Principals, secretaries, janitors and maids will start to work on Monday

and Tuesday. Supt. Peeler said yesterday that the court has approved a revised plan which makes Macon, grades 1-6; Mariam Boyd, grades 1-6; and South Warren grades 1-6. Hawkins will remain 7th and 8th as on the original plan. The revised plan makes Littleton grades 7-12 and Vaughan 1-6. No changes are made in the Norlina district. Peeler said that generally, students will attend the school nearest their home in their district.

If parents have questions as to which school their children are to attend, they should contact the principal of the school nearest their home. Bus drivers may pick up the buses from the school garage on Monday. **Bus Information** Pupils riding buses to John Graham, Mariam Boyd and Hawkins are requested to board the bus that comes by their home. Bus information for Norlina,

Northside and North Warren is as follows: The following buses will pick up students in grades 4-8 attending North Warren: Numbers, 104, 111, 112, 117, 122, 126, 129, 131. Those students attending grades 1-3 at Northside and grades 9-12 Norlina will be picked up by other buses. Students will be picked up at the Norlina High School and the Norlina Super Market who are going to Northside and North Warren; those picked up last year will be picked-up at the same places.

Schedule Of Fees Instruction supply fee (elementary and high school), \$1.00. Typing fee, \$5.00. Agriculture fee, \$2.50. Home Economics fee \$2.50. Bricklaying fee, \$2.50. Cost of workbooks and Weekly Readers may be charged to students. Student accident insurance is \$2.50; 24-hour coverage is \$15.00. No book fees. Persons standing in loco parents of the students whose parents live out of the state and who have been advised by the Superintendent that they must pay a tuition of \$50 are requested to make payment to Superintendent's office or it may be paid to the principal of the school. It must be paid before a child can be enrolled.

Faculties The principal and teacher assignment of the schools are as follows: JOHN GRAHAM—F. L. Bartholomew, Principal; Melvin G. Poplin, Evelyn E. Steed, James L. Soufas, Mary W. Shields, Nancy H. Williams, Harvey P. Brooks, Louise B. Brooks, Stuart M. Thomson, Benjamin Terrell, George A. Fleming, Susan C. Terrell, Constance L. Fraser, Louise B. Bryson, Samuel N. Merritt, Arnetra D. Johnson, Cora H. Hawkins, Lillie G. Hawkins, Evelyn Henderson, Sterling McNair, Fannie Tharrington, Carlie L. Powell, Carrie G. Hendrick, James E. Howell, Phyllistine Goode, Mrs. Julia E. Townes, Mrs. Lavine E. McGrier, Walter Price, Mrs. Lois R. Williams, Arthur J. Williams, Emily B. Person, Mrs. Elba Banzet, Harold A. Stegall, Wilford E. Exum, Clifton L. Falson, Thomas Plummer.

HAWKINS SCHOOL—B. L. King, Principal; John A. Coleman, Joseph O. Richardson, Georgia J. Exum, Mary H. Powell, Lucious Hawkins, Louise M. Twitty, James A. Robinson, James L. Goolbsy, Walter R. Alston, McCarroll Alston, William J. Long, Robert Lewis, Crichton A. Davis, Ersie B. Stewart, Roger L. Williams, Lucille B. Ingram, Joel Townes.

NORLINA HIGH SCHOOL—C. L. Hago, Principal; Mrs. Bessie E. Hicks, Carole A. Jordan, Mrs. Brenda P. Travis, Mrs. Mildred C. Peeler, Robert P. Price, Edward D. Shafer, John R. Martin, Mrs. Veva Howell, Vivian M. Hinton. (See SCHOOLS, page 2)

Games Friday John Graham High School, located at Park View last Friday night, will play Weldon here Friday night.

Norlina High School, lower to Davis at Norlina last Friday night, will journey to Lenoirburg Friday night.

Bus Drivers To Report All regular bus drivers assigned to Hawkins and John Graham schools will report to meet in the John Graham Auditorium at 10 a. m. Friday, Sept. 12.

Negro Delegation Demands That Schools Open

A delegation of Warren County Negroes appeared before the Board of Education on Monday night to demand that Warren County Schools be opened immediately and operated properly or that the Board of Education resign immediately.

More than 100 Negroes filled the meeting room of the board to hear their complaints read by John Hawkins, who stated that the group were not all NAACP members, and to exchange rather tart remarks with at least one member of the board. A copy of Hawkins' remarks were distributed to the board members and the press. It was as follows:

"We the citizens of Warren County demand that our schools be opened immediately. We recognize that there may be differences of opinion as to how the schools should operate, but this is no reason whatsoever for not opening schools. The Board of Education has a duty to the citizens of the county to open schools and maintain its proper operation. The Board of Education took an oath that they would properly operate the schools of this county. If any board member or all board members feel that they cannot fulfill this duty, they should resign.

"The U. S. District Court has ordered Warren County Schools opened according to the court approved order of July 1969. Warren County Board of Education and its administrators submitted this plan to the court in December of 1968. The court approved it in July. Now we hear the administrators saying they don't know how they can make the plan work and the Board refusing to accept the court's order. It is quite apparent that the Board of Education and the Administrators did not plan and do not

plan to operate the schools as they said in their plan. Nine months is sufficient time to work out the details of this plan. All this clearly points to the fact that this Board of Education is not functioning properly and therefore should resign.

"This delay by the Board of Education has caused great harm to many children of Warren County. Parents have sent many students away to schools, wherein if the schools had opened on time and orderly these students would have remained in the county. Some have gone to another public school district; while residents of Warren County. This raises a serious legal question which will be addressed to the proper authorities. The Board of Education has a duty to the people of Warren County to operate schools and operate good schools. The majority of the citizens in Warren County have not run and will not run. It is our opinion that the delay by the board is completely without cause or reason; but solely for the purpose of defying the law and allowing time for a few citizens to organize private schools. We have no objections to private schools, whatsoever, as long as they do not interfere with the proper operation of public schools, nor financed or assisted in any manner by public funds.

"We demand that schools are opened immediately and operated properly or that the Board of Education resign immediately."

Macon Reavis and Malvern Felts, representing the Afton-Elberon Ruritan Club and other members of the community, appeared before the board to ascertain what disposition will be made of the Afton-Elberon School building, which is not to be used for school purposes this year. Supt. Peeler had previously stated to John Hawkins that the Macon school would be operated instead of the Afton-Elberon school because the latter school needed a new boiler and there was not time enough to install it before the opening of school. He said that the board had no plans to rent it for a private school. Reavis and Felts said that they had heard rumors that the school would be leased either for a private school or for a private club and that people of Elberon wanted to keep the school for their own use. They were told that the board has no present plans for the building and were promised that they would be contacted before the board made any disposition of it. The board ordered that a \$100 bonus supplement be paid teachers as soon as they go to work as possible.

Court Term Ends On Friday

The criminal term of Warren County Superior Court, which convened on Tuesday morning of last week with Judge Clarence W. Hall of Durham presiding, adjourned on Friday afternoon.

Among cases disposed of during the week were: Herman Nicholson, assault with deadly weapon, six months on roads, with option of work release.

Jimmy Rodgers Williams, larceny of automobile, not less than four nor more than five years in state prison. Three other cases charging Williams with larceny of automobile were not pressed with leave.

Phil N. Radford, second offense of public drunkenness, committed to custody of Commissioner of Corrections for not less than 30 days nor more than six months.

George Edward Newell, drunk driving, five months jail sentence suspended provided defendant remains of good behavior, not violate any penal laws of state or federal government, pays a \$125 fine and court costs. He was granted restricted right to drive truck only in Vance and Warren Counties between 4 a. m. and 6 p. m.

Robert Donald Moss, drunk driving, not pros with leave. Thomas Ralph Phillips, aiding and abetting in larceny, not pros with leave.

Martha Champion Macklin, possession of non-taxpaid whiskey, seven months in women's division of State Department of Correction.

Jerry Milam, assault with deadly weapon with intent to kill doing serious bodily injury not resulting in death, seven to nine years in state prison with recommendation that he be given psychiatric examination.

John Herbert Terry, possession of non-taxpaid liquor, seven months on roads, with recommendation for work release.

Sally Terry Goode, possession of non-taxpaid whiskey, six months in woman's department of State Department of Correction.

William Atkins Jones, drunk driving, not pros with leave. Hubert Delaney Pulley, drunk driving and improper brakes and speeding, not pros with leave. (See COURT, page 2)



CURRIN'S MINUTE MART

Currin Minute Mart To Hold Grand Opening

Currin Minute Mart, located across the highway from the Norlina Coffee Shop will hold its grand opening on Sept. 11-15, Linwood A. Ayscue, manager, announced this week.

During the opening the Mart will give away \$100 in cash prizes, free Pepsi-Colas, Tom's nabs and peanuts. Currin Minute Mart is owned by W. A. Currin and Lester Currin of Henderson. Manager

Currin is a native of Vicksburg and has been in the grocery business for several years. He was transferred to Norlina from Currin Minute Mart in Henderson.

The Mart, which will carry a full line of groceries, gas, notions and toys, is opened weekdays, Monday through Saturday, from 7 a. m. to 10 p. m. and on Sunday from 12 noon until 10 p. m.



LINWOOD AYSUCE, Store Manager