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Factory At Norlina Expected To Be Announced Within Next Two Weeks



Truck with cucumber promotional material is shown here Wednesday morning as it prepares to leave for visit to cucumber stations over the county where soft drinks will be served.

Merchants Observing This Week As Cucumber Growers Week

Warren County merchants under the sponsorship of the Warrenton Chamber of Commerce are observing this week as Warren County Cucumber Growers Week in appreciation of the contribution made to the economy by cucumber growers and buying companies.

Circular and newspaper ads are being used to express the appreciation of local merchants, and the story of the industry in part is told by a pictorial page in The Warren Record. In addition a number of articles on cucumbers have been prepared for publication by L. C. Cooper, Agricultural Extension Agent, who has been active in the promotion of

cucumber growing in Warren County for the past several years.

As a feature of the week a special truck, with placards promoting the industry, will visit the 17 receiving cucumber receiving stations in the county and will serve free drinks.

By L. C. COOPER
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The 1969 cucumber crop brought in excess of \$262,500 from 1400 acres for an average \$187.50 per acre.

It is estimated that the 1970 crop is down by 200 acres but will average better than \$210.00 per acre for an estimated

gross \$250,000 from 1200 acres, reports L. B. Hardage County Extension Chairman.

Although the growing season was very unfavorable during the month of June, however, growers have been exercising better culture practices and harvesting practices according to L. C. Cooper Agricultural Extension Agent.

Also the plant breeders have better varieties. Such varieties are resistant to downy mildew and anthracnose which use to take its toll in this area. The present varieties are of a longer growing season, later maturing but gives higher yields with improve shape and keeping qualities of the fruit.

Warren County Board Signs \$85,000 Lease For Water Tank

The Warren County Board of Commissioners signed an agreement on Thursday afternoon with the Town of Warrenton and the Bute Development Corporation for a \$85,000 lease to erect a 300,000-gallon water tank in the North Warrenton Industrial Park.

The agreements, with agreements between the Town of Warrenton and Bute Development Corporation were mailed Friday to EDA where a grant to the Town of Warrenton had been held up for several weeks pending their arrival.

Bids for the erection of a water tank, sewer facilities and water lines are being advertised and will be opened on July 22, and it is hoped that work can be started immediately on construction of facilities of Cochrane Furniture Plant which have moved its target date from July 15 to Aug. 3. The delay has been caused by problems other than lack of water and sewage, Francis Ragan, manager of the local plant, said Tuesday.

Ragan said that his company had already begun the acceptance of applications from workers. He said that applications are being received at the home on the lot.

Appearing before the commissioners requesting the signing of the agreement were representatives of the Town of

Warrenton and the Bute Development Corporation, the Industrial Commission, and Frank W. Reams, industrial director, who acted as chief spokesman. In addition to Reams those present were Mayor W. A. Miles, Commissioners Major Pope Powell, Gordon Hathcock and Thomas Gaskill and Eddie Clayton, Selby Benton, president and Claude Bowers, chairman of the board of Bute Development Commission, and Jules Banzet, a member of the Warren County Industrial Commission.

With the group was Frank B. Banzet, attorney for Bute Development Commission, who discussed legal aspects with County Attorney Jim Limer. Banzet told the commissioners that he had appeared at the office of the State Attorney General with County Attorney Jim Limer and Warrenton Town Attorney Charles Johnson the previous Thursday for an opinion of the Agreement and as a result a few changes had been made in the agreement being submitted for signatures. The main changes were the insertion of a cancellation clause whereby the commissioners could cancel the agreement upon 30 days written notice and provision that the agreement is in conformity with a written opinion of the State

Attorney General Robert Morgan. Another provision that a public hearing must be held on the board's action following notice of such meeting had been advertised for two weeks in the county newspapers.

Banzet said that Morgan had been out of the state when he and the other attorneys appeared at his office but that they had spent several hours with an assistant Attorney General working out the revised agreement. Both Banzet and Limer were in agreement that the State Attorney General would probably sign a written opinion as accepted by his assistant. This written agreement is expected to be received here this week.

Limer suggested that the county board sign the agreement upon approval of the State Attorney General, but due to necessity of getting agreements to EDA without further delay, agreed with Banzet's suggestion that the clause "if in conformity with the written opinion of the State Attorney General," Banzet said that if the agreement were delayed for approval of the Attorney General that it could cause considerable delay.

The motion to sign the amended agreement was made by Commissioner Richard R. Davis, seconded by Commissioner Robert Thorne and unanimously passed.

The agreement was signed in late afternoon by Board Chairman Amos L. Capps and James H. Hundley, clerk to the Board. The agreement had been previously signed by the Bute Development Company and the Town of Warrenton.

County Signs Agreement With Development Corp.

The acquisition of a \$1,700,000 factory at Norlina is expected to be announced within the next two weeks.

This was learned last Thursday when W. D. Little, chairman of the Smith Creek Development Corporation, and Raby L. Traylor, a member of the development corporation, appeared before the Board of County Commissioners to ask the county to enter into a \$85,000 lease for a water tank at Norlina.

Little said the plant is practically assured with only a few details to be worked out. The plant will work around the clock and eventually is expected to employ some 400 persons. Little said that the name of the plant owners is being withheld until final papers are signed for technical reasons.

In making the application for the lease, Little said that the name of Norlina Development Corporation had been changed to Smith Creek Development Corporation and incorporated.

Under the lease agreement submitted by Little and approved by the commissioners, the county agrees to pay to Smith Creek Development Cor-

poration the sum of \$85,000 in ten annual installments for the erection of a water tank which will become the property of the Town of Norlina when the lease payments are completed.

The agreement is similar to the one signed later in the day by the commissioners between the county and Town of Warrenton and the county and the Bute Development Corporation, in that it contains a cancellation clause, a provision that it must not be in conflict with an expected ruling of the Attorney General, and that a public hearing must be held concerning the leasing arrangement.

With practically no debate, the motion to sign the lease was made by Commissioner Alfred J. Ellington, seconded by Commissioner Robert P. Thorne and unanimously passed.

Funds for the construction of the water tank are to be provided by People's Bank and Trust Company of Norlina and repaid by the county over a ten-year period. Little said that his bank had agreed to make the loan in spite of the cancellation clause contained in the agreement.

Flue-Cured Tobacco Referendum To Be Held At 11 Polling Places

A flue-cured tobacco referendum will be conducted at 11 polling places in Warren County on Thursday, July 16, as Warren farmers join with other farmers of the Flue-Cured Belt to determine whether the acreage-pounding program and price supports shall be continued in 1971, 1972 and 1973.

The program, which has been in effect since 1965, will continue if approved by two-thirds or more of the growers voting. All farmers 18 years of age or older are eligible to vote in the referendum if they share in the 1970 flue-cured tobacco crop or its proceeds. Where no

tobacco is produced in 1970 on a tobacco allotment farm, only the owner and operator are eligible to vote.

W. S. Smiley, chairman of the Warren County Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Committee, urges growers to consider carefully the facts about the acreage-pounding program before voting.

The acreage-pounding program for flue-cured tobacco allows for carrying forward undermarketings from a short crop to the next year. Growers may also market up to 110 percent of the farm's poundage quota—without borrowing from their next year's

quota.

Price support under the acreage-pounding program is available on up to 110 percent of the farm's poundage quota if the harvested acreage is within the farm's acreage allotment. A marketing quota penalty applies to any tobacco marketed above 110 percent of the farm's poundage quota.

If growers do not approve the acreage-pounding quota program on July 16, no marketing quota, no acreage allotments and no price support will be in effect for the 1971 flue-cured tobacco crop. Another referendum would be held next year for the 1972-74 crops.

The voting in the referendum will be held at local ASCS Polling places from 7:00 a. m. until 7:00 p. m. as follows:
Fishing Creek-Davis' Store, Arcola.
Fork - W. K. Thompson's Store.

Hawtree - Glenn Perkinson's Store, Wise.
Judkins-Mrs. Blanche Stallings Store, Embro.

Nutbush-J. C. Watkins' Store, River-Stansbury's Store, Sandy Creek-Thompson Bro. Store, Vicksboro.

Sixpound - W. J. Wilson's Store, Macon.
Smith Creek - Mayor's Office, Norlina.

Warrenton - Agricultural Building, Warrenton.
Shocco - Pinnell's Store, Ar-

Alleged Car Thieves Are Arrested By Warren Deputy

Three men are being held under bond for a hearing in Warren County District Court on July 17, and two other men have been turned over to Virginia authorities following investigation of car thefts in Virginia by Deputy Sheriff Dorsey Capps.

On June 21 a farmer reported to Deputy Sheriff Theo Williams that he had found an abandoned car in the woods near Paschall. Williams reported this fact to Capps who made an investigation. Going to the scene he found that the car had been stripped of motor, transmission, seats, tires, battery and radio, and that it had been stolen in Richmond, Va.

Following his trip to the car, Capps called in Roger Davis, with the Theft Division of the Department of Motor Vehicles, to aid in the investigation. Finger prints were taken and three arrests were made and a warrant has been issued for the arrest of a fourth man.

Arrested on June 27 and bound over for a hearing in District Court were Lendale Hinton, 20, of Richmond, Va., arrested while visiting here; George

Allen Judkins, 24, of Wise, who was arrested on June 28, and Milo Alexander, 50, also of Wise, who was arrested on June 29. All three were charged with receiving stolen goods.

Capps said the transmission, motor, seats, and several other parts of the stolen car were recovered in Virginia. A second car, a 1964 Chevrolet, stolen in Virginia and wrecked here, was recovered last Friday by Deputy Capps (See THIEVES, page 5)

American Legion Starts New Year

Limer Post No. 25 of the American Legion will start its new year Thursday night, July 9, at the Lions Den at the Fairgrounds in Warrenton, George Kilgore, publicity chairman, announced yesterday.

Kilgore said that all Legionnaires are urged to attend and support the new Post Commander, Bud Endercott.

Limer Post No. 25 will meet permanently every second Thursday night of each month at 7 p. m. at the Lion's Den.

Rescue Squad's Sale Of Barbecue And Stew Highly Successful

Members of the Warren County Rescue Squad this week described their Fourth of July barbecue and stew sale as being highly successful with all stew and barbecue being sold in the early afternoon. A member said that sales Saturday about equaled the combined sales of the past two years.

Sales were held at three locations, the Rescue Squad building, Salmon's Landing and Eaton Ferry Marina. Some 300 pounds of barbecue and more than 200 gallons of stew were served during the day.

Democrats To Meet In Raleigh July 14

North Carolina Democrats will convene in Raleigh on Tuesday of next week for the party's state convention, according to a reminder yesterday by Frank B. Banzet, Warren County chairman for the party.

Scheduled at Raleigh Memorial Auditorium, the July 14 session will begin at 11 o'clock.

Banzet, Warrenton Attorney, requested that delegates representing Warren County plan to attend and participate in the session.

At the County Convention held here on June 20 Banzet was elected chairman of the Warren County Democratic Executive Committee and 12 delegates and 12 alternates were also elected. He is slated to head the group going to Raleigh.

Along with the chairman and delegates, other officers of the Warren organization were designated at the June 20 session.

Students To Register

All students who plan to enter the Marian Boyd School for the term 1970-71 for the first time, are urged to register now. The school office will be open July 6 through July 30, from 8:30 a. m. to 12:00 o'clock noon, for this purpose.

Warrenton Tax Rate To Remain At \$1.50

In spite of the omission of a special school tax of 50¢, Warrenton's tax rate for the 1970-71 fiscal year will remain at \$1.50 on the \$100 valuation, according to the tentative budget adopted by the board of town commissioners at a special meeting on last Thursday afternoon.

In addition to the tax raise, Warrenton water consumers will be required to pay 15¢ more on their water bills.

The raise is due in part to an increase in the cost of operating the Water Department and Inflation, Town Manager J. Ed Rooker said yesterday.

The budget is based on a total property valuation of \$3,600,000. Levied for general fund purpose is 78¢ and for debt service 72¢.

The detailed budget estimate which must lie open for 20

days, is available for public inspection in the office of the town manager.

Of the total budget of \$149,859, \$48,600 is to be raised from tax sources. The remaining \$101,259.50 is derived from non-tax sources. These include profits from the Water Department, intangible taxes, utility franchises, ABC fund, and beer and wine taxes.

The bond fund levy is \$25,587.50 and the operational fund is \$124,272.

The biggest item in the budget is for the police department which will require \$36,500. Other totals going to make up the operational budget are: General and Administrative, \$21,675; Civil Defense, \$350; street department, \$24,225; Water Department, \$34,725; Fire Department, \$4,200; Contingency and Emergency, \$2,597.

Macon Home Included In State Historical List

RALEIGH — Buck Spring, the home of Nathaniel Macon located near Vaughan in Warren County, has been nominated by the State Department of Archives and History for inclusion on the National Register of Historic Places. The nomination was submitted to the Department of the Interior by Dr. H. G. Jones, North Carolina's Liaison Officer for Historic Preservation.

A nationally prominent politician whom Thomas Jefferson referred to as "the last of the Romans," Nathaniel Macon represented North Carolina in both the House and the Senate

and served as both speaker and president pro tempore.

The site of his plantation is now owned by Warren County, which is working with the Warren County Historical Society on plans for the restoration of Buck Spring. One benefit of being listed on the register is protection of the site from alteration or destruction by projects funded in whole or in part by federal funds. If entry on the register is approved for Buck Spring, official announcement will be made through the state's congressional delegation.

Minister To Present Musical Program

The Rev. Ted W. Fuson, pastor of the Warren Plains Baptist Church will present a program of sacred music on Sunday, July 12, at 7:30 p. m. at the church. He will be accompanied by Mrs. Glenn Weldon. The public is invited.

First Cotton Bloom

The first cotton bloom of the season was reported by The Warren Record on Wednesday afternoon, July 1, by John Russell, Jr., of Route 1, Macon, Russell, who owns his farm near Burchetts Chapel, picked the bloom from a six-acre field.

Draft Board To Be Closed July 13-17

Selective Service Local Draft Board 94 will be closed from July 13 through July 17, Mrs. Winnifred Thompson, executive secretary, announced this week. Mrs. Thompson said that boys are supposed to register within five days of their 18th birthday and asks that boys whose birthdays come during the period when the office is closed register on July 20.

SOFTBALL GAMES

The Wise Buritan Club will sponsor a softball game on the Wise school diamond between a Buritan team and Henderson on Sunday at 1:30 p. m. and with Warrenton on Monday at 8 p. m.



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District Club Women To Meet In Norlina

Club leaders from the 25 Women's Clubs of the 14th District of the North Carolina Federation of Women's Clubs of the 14th District of the North Carolina Federation of Women's Clubs will attend their annual Summer Institute on Monday, July 13, in Norlina. Mrs. R. B. Butler of Warrenton, District President, will preside at the leadership conference which will be held at the Methodist Church.

Mrs. H. W. Odenwald of Greensboro, NCFWC vice president, and Mrs. Edwin McCoy of Statesville, NCFWC second

vice president, will be the principal speakers. District department chairmen, who recently attended the State Institute in Raleigh will conduct department workshops.

Hostesses for the day will be members of the Norlina Woman's Club, the Norlina Literature and Music Club and the Norlina Junior Women's Club.

Registration will begin at 9 a. m. and luncheon will be served in the Woman's Clubhouse dining room. The institute will begin at 10 o'clock.

Tobacco Associates Vote On July 16

By L. B. HARDAGE
Co. Exten. Chairman

The Tobacco Associates, Inc., your self-help sales promotion program, will conduct a referendum in connection with the Flue-Cured Tobacco Referendum on July 16.

Tobacco Associates, Inc., has 23 years of successful service to growers. Here are some of their accomplishments:

1. By advertising programs overseas, we have contributed in large measure to this result: better than 50% of current production now goes abroad. It used to be only one-third.

(See ASSOCIATES, page 4)



Shown above are two views of the sawed-off shotgun found in the wrecked car driven by Donald Hampton Davis, 19, at Cokesbury, and believed to have been used in his murder. Pictures of the weapon, obtained from the Vance County Sheriff's Department, were submitted to The Warren Record Tuesday morning by Warren County Sheriff Clarence Davis with a request that they be published. He asks that anyone who has ever seen such a weapon notify the Warren County Sheriff's Department. The weapon is single-barreled with an overall measurement of 18 inches.