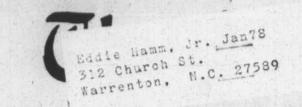
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fuel distributors. Bullock Oil

Company and Bowers and

Burrows have reported many

more calls during the cold spell

resulting from thermostats

being pushed up to help with

the cold temperatures. They

both stressed that the gas

supply is critical and they are

on allocation for oil. Both

companies noted that they have

### Warming Devices Become Hot Sales Items As Mercury Dips

#### By HELEN HOWARD

"It's Cold in Them Thar Hills" was a comical play presented by students at John Graham High School about 15 years ago, but it isn't very Jack Frost. comical that its plain cold in Warren County this week, as temperatures dropped below zero and haven't risen above the freezing mark since Sunday.

While the Arctic Freeze has

of the country, people in Warren County have pressed the panic button trying to bundle up and buckle down for One person said, "Jack Frost

came and brought his relatives for a reunion." And Monday you may have thought Jack Frost had decided to move into the area.

plagued all of the eastern part come out of the cold snap. Warrenton and Norlina merchants who sell antifreeze. batteries and "anything to cover a pipe" have been selling

Aaron Allen, manager of Warren Auto Parts, reported that he had the largest battery sales in one day than in eight years. He said that his "antifreeze and battery sales However, some good has tripled" on Monday and that his

stock of these items was almost depleted. Mr. Allen stated that he normally stocks about 50 to 70 batteries of all kinds and that "if the cold weather stays until about Thursday" he will run out of stock.

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If you call most of the businesses who normally sell propane torches they will quickly tell you they are out. Many people have hurried to town to buy a torch to thaw out

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pipes. Traylor's Hardware. and "could even sell string if it Standard Motor Parts, Warrenwould wrap a pipe." ton Supply Company and Traylor's Hardware com-Warren Auto Parts had runs on pletely depleted their stock of propane torches on Monday. heat bulbs and insulation for

And after pipes were pipes as did Warrenton Supply. thawed, people hurried to buy However, Warrenton Supply insulation for the pipes before was able to receive more stock the night cold froze everything on Tuesday. again. Most stores in the Warrenton and Norlina area reported that they sold electric

Service stations stayed busy with service calls to start cars and repair batteries. Several of tape, pipe insulation, heat bulbs the local stations said they had

to check antifreeze all day. Not unnoticed by local utility and only did people find antifreeze handy for cars but also for water closets at lakeside cottages.

Local plumbers, heating and electrical men have had long hours answering hundreds of service calls during the week. And electric heaters, wood

heaters and stove pipe are of great demand.

The frostbite hasn't gone (Continued on page 12)

# Caution Urged, **No Crisis Seen In School Heat**

Although the allocation of fuel oil to schools throughout the state has been cut 20 percent, Superintendent J. R. Peeler foresees no interruption in the operation of Warren County's schools.

Superintendent Peeler said Tuesday afternoon that he had been notified of the reduction in fuel oil supplies by the Division of Plant Operation of the State Board of Education.

The superintendent said that his reduction poses no immediate serious threat to the schools of the county and that a crisis can be avoided by careful conservation measures by the schools of the county which use fuel oil for heating purposes.

All units in Warren County are heated by oil with the exception of Mariam Boyd Elementary School and the carpentry shop at John Graham, both heated electrically. Schools were converted from coal to oil several years

ago. Peeler said he had urged principals to use all reasonable steps to conserve heating oil and for the schools to restrict the heating of buildings to the fullest extent feasible for school purposes during the fuel oil

Peeler said that during the current cold spell attendance has been off as much as 30 percent in some county schools.

Recreation **Club Is Sold** 

The Warrenton Recreation Club, located one mile east of Warrenton on the Golf Club Road, was sold under sealed bid Friday to John Thomas Harris and Sol Fleming of Warrenton.

Fleming has recently moved into the former Horne home on Front Street. John Thomas Harris is an earth-moving contractor. Harris said this week that he and his partner had not definitely decided what use they would make of the property.

The recreation club was formed by a group of Warrenton business men in 1967, and was largely financed by the Farmers Home Administration. For several years annual payments were made by the group, but for the past few years public support failed and the government foreclosed on the property. The 43.6 acre recreational facility sold for \$116,000 and contained, the following: 2750 square feet brick veneer club with full basement, Olympic swimming pool, riding ring, ball field, tennis court, basketball courts. Area surrounding swimming pool and club house is fenced.

## Four Are Killed In Train Wreck, **One-Car Crash**

Warren County fatalities in auto accidents matched last year's mark on Wednesday of last week as four persons met violent death within a threemile radius.

On Wednesday afternoon around 1:35 p. m. a car driven by Jacob Wallace Jiggetts of Norlina ran off the left side of the road near the Oakville community after passing another vehicle in a curve. The vehicle was travelling at a high rate of speed according to witnesses and ran off the road hitting a tree.

Willie Jiggetts, 15, a passenger in the automobile. was pronounced dead on arrival at Warren General Hospital. Jacob Jiggetts was later transferred to Duke Medical Center with extensive leg injuries.

Highway Patrolman Michael Miller reported that the motor was disengaged from the vehicle upon impact and the car was declared a total loss. He states that charges were morning. pending and investigation was continuing.

day afternoon, Mrs. Nancy on the icy road just north of the Marie Henderson and her Oine exit and overturned on an daughters, Latroya, age seven embankment. Mrs. Bourgarde months, and Laurice, age five. were killed when the 1975 Ford pulled into the path of a Seaboard Coastline freight train at the train crossing on the Churchill Road in Macon.

Keith Williams of Rt. 2, Norlina, was charged with failure to see safe movement and slick tires after he backed from the parking area of the Starlight Palace into the path of a car driven by Lemuel Eley of

Henderson on Wednesday night around 9:40 p.m. The accident occurred on the Warrenton-Henderson road west of Warrenton.

Patrolman Michael Miller reported that damages to the Eley vehicle, a 1974 Pontiac, were estimated at \$1200 with damages to the Williams car

listed at \$500. Eley and his wife, a passenger in the auto, were taken to Warren General Hospital for treatment of minor injuries.

Icy roads and rain-ice mixture which fell on Friday morning made driving difficult in some areas. Three accidents were reported within 25 minutes on U.S. I and Interstate 85 on Friday Around 8:30 a. m. a car

driven by Bessie R. Bourgarde Around 4:45 p. m. Wednes- of York, Pa., went out of control

This ill-fated car was the last of five automobiles which attempted to cross the tracks a mile cast of Macon before the arrival of a freight train. The vehicle was slammed broadside, killing the three occupants. The accident, and a one-car fatality

three miles away on Wednesday of last week, raised Warren Gounty's road death toll for the year to five. [Staff Photo by Don Stith]

## **Town Gets Grant For House**

National Parks Service Histor- stated that the town will have come to Warrenton within the obtained. The gift to the town to match the grant on a 50-50 that a

basis. However, Town Commis-

sioner Anna Butler owns the

house and lot and has agreed to

deed the property to the town

to be used as matching funds.

Hafermahl, grants administra-

Davis said that Lewis

by Mrs. Butler

funds for the grant.

The Town of Warrenton has reported that the grant had tor for the North Carolina deeds so that two separate received notice from the been sought for some time. He Historical Association, will matching grants may be

Trooper Miller stated that the vehicle was pushed down the tracks about seven-tenths \$3500. of a mile upon impact. Dr. Charles Bunch, Warren County Medical Examiner, pronounced all three occupants of the vehicle dead at the scene.

The brakesman on the train reported that the car slowed down at the crossing, came to almost a complete stop and then lunged into the path of were filed. Damages to the the train. The train was automobile were estimated at estimated to be travelling \$800. about 50 miles per hour at the time of impact.

Last year's fatalities in the one of Mrs. F. P. Hunter year's total to five.

and her husband were wearing seatbelts and shoulder harnessoperated by Mrs. Henderson es and were suspended in the car for some time. However, no injuries were reported and no charges were filed due to the weather conditions.

Damages to the 1976 Ford Granada were estimated at A few minutes later, at 8:45

a. m., Ervin Long of Wise lost control of his 1972 Chevrolet while attempting to pass another vehicle on U.S. 1 about

.8 mile south of Norlina. Trooper Miller reported that no injuries were sustained in the accident and no charges

Velma Norris of Norlina lost control of the 1964 Buick she

was driving near Soul City on Warren County were listed as U. S. 1 at 8:55 a. m., ran up an four. This week's fatalities and embankment and overturned. Icy roads were responsible earlier in the year bring this for all the accidents and Mrs. Norris was not charged.

Preservation grant-in-aid for \$10,000 has been allocated for the restoration of the Jacob Holt house. This house is on the corner of East Franklin and Bragg Streets.

Monday.

at a private drive.

Bill Davis, town manager,

Wise Resident Is Injured When Train Strikes Auto

A Wise resident, Mrs. Alva The car was knocked about Phillips, is in Warren General 30 yards down the track; however, only the front of the Hospital in satisfactory condicar was on the tracks. The tion after her car was struck by impact spun the car around a Seaboard train in the Wise about three times according to community around 9:35 a.m. on officials.

The Phillips car was a total Mrs. Phillips was alone at the time. L. E. Alexander, engineer loss with damages to the of the train, said that he was freight train being estimated at travelling about 43 miles per \$300. Mrs. Phillips was taken to hour when he struck the Warren General Hospital for Phillips car. Mrs. Phillips

treatment but no serious pulled out in front of the train injuries were reported.

No charges have been filed and Deputy Capps stated that the investigation is continuing. This is the third train accident in Warren County within the past four months.

#### Speed Appointed

**To Assembly Posts** 

committee appointments in the North Carolina General Assembly as follows:

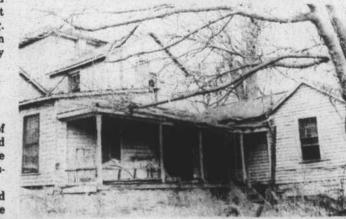
Economic Resources: Vice Chairman, Agricultural; member of Committee on Education; member of Committee On Ways and Means; Member of Conmittee on Finance; member of Committee on Crime and Law Enforcement; member of Committee on Election Laws; and member of Committee on

next few weeks to discuss requirements for the restoration. The town will have to comply with the recommendations by the administrator, he added.

Mrs. Butler said plans are architecture of Warren and under way to complete the legal neighboring counties. The requirements to deed the house house contained his workshop and lot to the town. She added and kiln as well as living that this may be done in two quarters.



### Views Of Jacob Holt House



### **Ticket Sales Reported Good**

Ticket sales were reported good this week as members of the Warren County Chamber of Commerce pushed plans for their annual installation banquet Monday right at Mariam

Boyd School. **Chamber President Randy** Garrett said only 150 tickets

were put on sale and that a survey of chamber directors Tuesday showed that sales were brisk.

Charles Dunn, former SBI director and a Raleigh television executive, will be the featured speaker. The meeting is scheduled to begin at 6:30 p.m.

the town needs for matching shortage.

"We had foreseen the possibility of a possible crisis, Before the Civil War, the and had all tanks filled at the house was occupied by Jacob beginning of the school year," Holt, a master craftsman Peeler said. Only one reserve builder who left his mark on the tank, containing 10,000 gallons, is now available. It is located at the bus garage in Warren Plains.

The Superintendent reported that the Division of Plant Operation had recently completed a random survey of schools in the state which use No. 2 fuel oil for heating purposes.

The report. according to Peeler, showed that the price of fuel oil had increased 10 percent since July 1, that consumption has increased 67.5 percent, and that there has been a 94 percent increase in purchases during the first six months of the current fiscal vear.

### Farm Opportunities Is Theme Of Meeting

New opportunities for farm income will be the topic at Warren County's Rural Development Panel meeting on Monday morning, Jan. 24, at 9 a.m. in the Grand Jury Room of the Warren County Courthouse according to L. C. Cooper, agricultural extension agent and chairman of the Rural Development Panel. Dr. W. C. Mills will discuss

broiler production, Dr. L. G. Wilson will discuss production and marketing sweet potatoes and Dr. Paul Stone will discuss innovative ideas for new farm income.

Cooper said the Rural Development Panel is compos ed of representatives from all County and Federal Agencies and Agri-business and special interest groups. Any group or organization not represented can become affiliated by attending this meeting or subsequent ones.

Extradition Is

### **Being Contested**

A former Warren County man wanted by FBI agents in California will fight extradition, according to Warren County Deputy Sheriff Dorsey Capps. Willie Campbell, 37, spotted and arrested Friday by Warren Deputies Dorsey Capps and Danny Bartholomew on a fugitive warrant, was given a hearing before Judge Ben U. Allen in Henderson Monday. Judge Allen reduced his bond to \$20,000 on drug charges. Campbell jumped a \$20,000 bond some six months ago and Magistrate J. Edward Rooker, following his arrest had increased his bond to \$25,000.

"We searched Campbell's car and found some material which has not yet been identified," Capps said. "We are awaiting word from the laboratory before we make charges," he added

Campbell has been away from Warren County for 12 years, and was living in Fayetteville prior to his arrest.

### **Dance Planned**

The Warren Academy P.T.O. will sponsor a dance on Saturday, Jan. 29, from 9 to 1 at the Warrenton Armory. Music will be provided by Peace of Mind from Henderson. Tickets may be obtained at \$10 per couple from any parent or at the school.

Senator James D. Speed of Franklin County announced

Chairman of Natural and Welfare.

Senator Speed has been assigned to Office No. 9 His telephone number is 829-5877.

A 15-year-old Warren County youth, Willie Jiggetta, was fatally injured in the wreckage of this automobile which went out of control and struck the tree in the background on Wednesday of last week. The victim was an eighth grade student at Northside School. [Staff Photo] [Staff Photo]