

# The Warren Record

## At Norlina Breakfast

### Adopt A School, Leaders Urged

Some 50 representatives of businesses, industries, clubs, churches and other groups gathered at the Norlina High School Cafeteria on Tuesday morning for Warren County Community Schools first "Adopt-A-School" Breakfast. C. L. Hege, Norlina principal, presided over the meeting, welcomed the guests and made opening remarks.

W. T. Ramey, III, principal of the North Warren Middle School gave the invocation.

A continental breakfast of juice, coffee, cinnamon buns, ham biscuits and jelly was served.

Dr. Kenneth England, Superintendent of Vance County Schools, was the principal speaker. Introduction by Michael F. Williams, Superintendent of Warren County Schools, Dr. England spoke on the Adopt-A-School Concept and after his remarks conducted a question and answer session.

The Warren County School System was one of 20 systems selected by Governor Jim Hunt to participate in "Adopt-A-School," a new concept in volunteer services in education, and involving community support for schools.

The Vance School System, which Dr. England heads, was launched in September and in November became the first county system in North Carolina to have all of its schools adopted. Dr. England said that in Vance County the movement received the cooperation of school personnel, principals and community groups to the point by Nov. 14 each of Vance's 13 schools had been "adopted" by a community organization.

Commenting on local support for the undertaking, Dr. England said, "The level of interest which has been expressed by churches, civic clubs, businesses and industries in our 'Adopt-A-School' program has been most gratifying. It reflects a general community support for public education which will surely serve as additional motivation for school organization.

Newsome said that he, W. J. Harris, Chairman of the Board of Commissioners, Don Everette, of Region K, and Bill Barlow, engineer for the proposed sewage treatment plant, would leave on Wednesday morning for Washington, D. C., for consultation with other agencies and public officials.

At Washington, Newsome said, a joint meeting will be held in the Dirksen Senate building with representatives from EPA, EDA, HUD, Coastal Plains Regional Commission, and N. C. Clean Water Authority. Senators Jesse Helms, Bob Morgan, and Rep. L. H. Fountain are expected to be either present or represented at the meeting.

Newsome said that the group from Warrenton and Henderson was expected to return home last night (Wednesday).

**Boyd Selected ASCS Advisor**

Chairman J. M. Overby of the Warren County Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service Committee announced yesterday that Charlie E. Boyd has been selected as a minority group advisor for the committee.

Boyd has a farming operation in Sixpound Township. Boyd's appointment was made to increase awareness of and participation in ASCS activities by minority producers. The County ASCS Committee is responsible for decisions in connection with administration of farm programs, such as tobacco, cotton, feed grains, wheat, Agricultural Conservation Program, facility loans, etc.

As an advisor, Chairman Overby said, Boyd will attend all committee meetings, including executive sessions, take part in all deliberations, but does not have voting rights.

In addition to Chairman Overby, the other two regular members of the County Committee are G. W. King and Albert E. Perkinson.

Albert Jackson Bolton, speeding 70 in 55 mph zone, called and failed, arrest order issued and bond set at \$100.

Alejandro Torres, speeding 70 in 55 mph zone, called and failed.

Ronald S. Walters, possession of controlled substance, waived right to preliminary hearing, bound over to next criminal session of Warren County Superior Court.

William Hargrove, assault with a deadly weapon, entered plea of guilty of misdemeanor assault, ordered to jail for not less than 17 months nor more than 20 months, suspended for three years on condition he pay \$100 for use and benefit of prosecuting witness, pay the sum of \$100 to reimburse the state for attorney fees, pay a fine of \$300 and costs, and not molest or assault anybody during the period of suspension. Defendant gave notice of appeal to next criminal session of Warren County Superior Court with bond set at \$500.

Gilbert Johnson, speeding 65 in 55 mph zone, called and failed, arrest order issued and bond set at \$100.

Frank Edgar Moore, Jr., speeding 70 in 55 mph zone, entered plea of guilty of exceeding a safe speed, fined \$20 and costs.

Anthony F. Gross, speeding 70 in 55 mph zone, called and failed.

Michael Stuart Berkman, speeding 70 in 55 mph zone, called and failed.

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This Warren County school child is shown taking part in his school's breakfast program on Tuesday morning. March has been designated as National Nutrition Month and several articles dealing with the month's observance are contained in this week's issue. (Staff Photo)

### Student Participation Above State Average

Mrs. Kilian said participation in the breakfast program conducted by four Warren County schools found a participation rate of 77 percent, compared with only 30 percent statewide.

A breakdown of participation rates in the various county schools showed Hawkins with 97 percent in the lunch program, John Graham with 92 percent, Mariam Boyd with 97 percent, North Warren with 98 percent, Northside with 99 percent, South Warren with 99 percent, Vaughan with 97 percent and Norlina with 97 percent.

In the breakfast program Mariam Boyd had a participation percentage of 64 percent, Northside with 82 percent, South Warren with 85 percent and Vaughan with 75 percent.

Mrs. Kilian released figures for each school showing the percentage of participation as National Nutrition Month was being observed. The observance will continue through March 31.

She revealed that 97 percent of the students attending school participate in the lunch program countywide. State percentages of participation show 95 percent participation in the elementary schools and 80 percent in the high schools.

Governor Jim Hunt will be in Warren County in the interest of his candidacy on Wednesday, April 2, and will appear at a coffee hour at the Lions Den in Warrenton between the hours of 8 and 9:30 a. m., W. Monroe Gardner announced this week.

At the present time, there is no provision for a late-filed designation or lease and transfer.

Tobacco designations and redesignations can be filed during the first designation period after the market opens, but there is a ten-day waiting period before tobacco can be sold, Watson said.

With there being only 12 days remaining for operators to designate, we would like to encourage the farmers to visit the county office immediately to file their request with the deadline of April 15 so near," he said. "If farmers continue to wait, there is no way that lines can be avoided. It is anticipated that approximately 650 farms will plant tobacco in 1980. It appears now that we will need to average 45 designations each day from now until April 15 for all the farms to be designated."

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## Educators, Architect Meet

### Bids Are Opened For Consolidated School

Members of the Warren County Board of Education were scheduled to meet last night (Wednesday) at the School Administration Office here with Dan Knight of Dove-Knight and Associates, P.A. Architects for the Warren County High Schools, to consider bids for phase three of the construction of the Norlina-Warrenton Consolidated High School.

Bids were opened on Thursday last week for General Construction, plus alternates, Electrical Construction Work, Plumbing, Heating and Air Conditioning. Bids for Food Service and a minimum of three is required. These bids will have to be re-advertised, Supt. Mike Williams said Monday.

Supt. Williams also said that prior to considering and probably awarding base bids, the Board would meet to select a successor for Mrs. Nancy Harper, Director of Community School Programs, who submitted her resignation, effective at the end of school at the regular March meeting of the Board. Four persons were to be interviewed last night.

Low base bid for General Construction was submitted by J. M. Thompson Company of Raleigh in the Amount of \$1,114,200. His alternate bids were No. 1, classroom equipment, \$95,000; No. 2, Media Center equipment, \$38,000; No. 3, asphalt paving \$50,000; No. 4, gymnasium-stage equipment \$57,000; and No. 5, metal lockers, \$80,000.

Supt. Williams explained that each of the Construction Base Bidders was requested to also offer five alternate bidders, to be constructed by the successful bidder should funds become available. Williams pointed out that of the \$2,250,000 voted by the voters of Warren County only \$1,956,268.91 is available for construction of phase three. Funds already allotted include, Transclosure, \$8,896.30; Water and Sewer lines, \$177,240; Architect Fees, \$107,594.79; for a total of \$293,706.09.

The low base bids were as follows: General Construction, \$1,114,200; Plumbing Construction, \$153,653; Heat and Air Conditioning, \$308,593; Electrical Construction Work, \$275,229 - for a total of \$1,851,675. In addition bids must be advertised for Food Service Equipment.

Available funds from bond issue total \$1,956,268.91, less low base bids, without food service equipment, \$1,851,675.00 - \$104,593.91.

Supt. Williams said that enough money is on hand to complete the basic construction without the athletic field, although some trimming will have to be done. "Nothing of the over-all quality of the building has been sacrificed; and we hope that we can obtain essential funds by the time the building is open for use. There may be no lockers for students, who then would keep their books in their desks." "It would certainly help if the proposed statewide school bond is adopted," he concluded.

Base bids of firms in addition to J. M. Thompson Company, without alternate bids were as follows: George W. Kane of Durham, \$1,240,000; James D. Little of Wilson, \$1,269,000; Security Building, Chapel Hill, \$1,188,000; Hardy-Harvey, Inc., Kinston, \$1,228,800; M. & M. Builders, High Point, \$1,220,000; L. A. Downey & Son, Durham, \$1,235,000; Trout and Riggs, Durham, \$1,888,800; C.T. Wilson Company, Durham, \$1,203,216.

Other base bids were as follows: Plumbing Construction (low bidder), Braxton-Britt, Inc., Wilson, \$153,653; W. M. Wiggins and Company, Wilson, \$183,000; Pemberton, Inc., Rocky Mount, \$365,397; Southern Piping, Wilson, \$309,750; T. R. Driscoll Sheet Metal Works, Lumberton, \$370,000; Watco Corporation, Raleigh, \$367,777.

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## Public Hearing Is Held

### Public Housing Is Subject Of Joint Meeting Monday

The Warrenton Board of Town Commissioners held a public hearing at the municipal building at 7:30 o'clock Monday night concerning a change in the classification of the Richard Davis property in North Warrenton from industrial to residential.

The property, known as the Warrenton Box and Lumber Company, had been previously rezoned by the Warrenton Planning Board and a public hearing was necessary before the change becomes effective. Final decision rests with the Town Commissioners and Mayor Beverly White, who presided over the meeting, told Ruffin Woody of Roxboro that he would be informed of the town's decision as soon as a full meeting of the Board is held. Three commissioners were absent at the public meeting.

Woody is head of the Roxboro firm of Ruffin Woody and Associates, Contractors, who are interested in building a housing project on the Davis property. Woody was accompanied from Roxboro by R. M. Phillips.

Several members of the Planning Board were present and questioned the Roxboro contractor about the kind of structure he contemplated building. The commissioners also joined in the questioning.

The project, will consist of several units which will contain not more than four apartments each, which will be furnished and equipped with electric stove and refrigerator, and electrically heated and cooled. Tenants will be restricted to families of under \$15,000, whose rent will be subsidized.

The project will be financed by the Federal Home Administration, but will be managed and maintained by private enterprise, which will be responsible for tenants selection and behavior. Woody spoke of possible expenditure of a million and a half dollars. He said that company profits under FHA regulations would be restricted to 8 percent. Those present were also shown colored photos of a similar project now being operated by the company in Roxboro.

Present with Woody and Phillips at the meeting were

Richard Davis, owner of the property and Charles Hayes, former Warren County Industrial Agent, who is Davis' agent in the sale of the property. Davis said that since he was property owner any views that he offered might be suspect, and that he would only say that he would like to sell the property.

Charles Hayes said that he did not feel that the property was needed for industrial uses, as property nearer the main line railroad and Interstate Highways were available. He said that Warren County and area citizens needed

better housing, and added that he knows of no better way to inculcate pride in many of our people than to get them out of shacks. Also the more than a million dollars to be expended here would do much to stimulate the economy, he added.

Woody said that if the property is rezoned that he would have the first apartments ready for occupancy in 1981.

There was some discussion of the responsibility for water and sewer lines for the project, but Mayor White ruled that these were not germane to the hearing.

Leaf Designation Proceeding Slowly In Warren County

Only 12 more working days remain for farmers to designate a warehouse of their choice for the sale of their 1980 tobacco, stated Thomas E. Watson, executive director of the Warren County Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service.

"During the first 20 days of designation, only 100 Warren County farm operators have indicated a warehouse at which they wish to market their 1980 crop," Watson said.

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