



TATTERED REMINDER — Unlike many Warren Countians, the family of N. L. Williams, Jr., of Ridgeway found the Fourth of July no special day to fly the flag. Actually the Williams family has put the flag up

every day during the past six months as a reminder of the Americans being held hostage in Iran. The flag is now beginning to show considerable wear.

(Staff Photo)

Youngster Drowns In Lake Gaston

LITTLETON — The July 4th holiday weekend saw another person dead, bringing to three the total number who died in this bi-county area.

Warren Woman Is Named To New State Council

A Warren County resident is among 24 members named to a newly created N. C. Small Business Advocacy Council by Governor Jim Hunt. The governor designated Al Lineberry, Jr., of Greensboro to serve as chairman of the council.

The local appointee to the council is Mrs. Janice Crump of Soul City, who is director of the Parks and Recreation Association. Mrs. Crump also serves as chairman of the Warren County Board of Elections.

Governor Hunt created the council by executive order in May to determine the concerns and problems of small businesses, particularly those relating to existing state law and tax structure.

The council makes recommendations to the governor and the General Assembly on any needed changes to assist small

business growth in North Carolina. The council also will plan and conduct the first governor's conference on small business. The governor said the council will work closely with the Business Assistance Division of the N. C. Department of Commerce.



MRS. CRUMP

The latest victim was a two and one-half year old girl who drowned in Gaston Lake near here Saturday, the second drowning on the lake in two days. She was identified as Jennifer Allen Melling, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roger Melling of Elkview, W. Va.

The Mellings were visiting the Rev. and Mrs. G. Clayton Melling of Sunny Acres — a development located over the Warren County line just northeast of Littleton, for the holidays.

According to reports by the Warren County Rescue Squad, the child was missed by adults for several minutes and apparently wandered into the edge of water of the lakeside home. She was found in the water about three or four feet deep several minutes later.

Rescuers arrived at the scene within a few minutes after being summoned and began administering cardiopulmonary resuscitation to the child, but to no avail. She was rushed to (Continued on page 3)

Some 7,500 Chickens Arrive In Shipment

Seventy-five hundred pullets and cockerels were placed in a laying house on the farm of Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Holtzman of Ridgeway on Wednesday night by Perdue Farms, marking the beginning of Perdue Poultry operation in the county. The pullets are expected to reach maturity in about four weeks when their eggs will be collected and taken to a

hatchery in Eastern North Carolina.

On Wednesday of last week, Donald W. Mabe, Perdue president was in Warrenton in the interest of his company. He was accompanied by Rex T. Thompson, who informed The Warren Record, that the chickens would be brought to the Holtzman farm that night and set up an appointment for representatives of the newspaper to be at the Holtzman Farm on Thursday morning.

A second laying house on the Holtzman Farm, is expected to be in operation within a few weeks, and the foundation for a third laying house has been laid on the farm of Ernest and Margie Brauer on the old Ridgeway Road near Warrenton.

Land has been graded for the first two Perdue broiler houses in Warren County on the Macon Myrick farm in the Macon - Warren Plains area.

Poultry houses in Warren County are being financed in the county by the Farmers Home Administration, of whom Tucker Nobles is local director.



Reuben Holtzman, left, and Tucker Nobles, FHA local director, pose for picture in laying house on Holtzman Farm last Thursday morning.

To Await Further Study

Housing Project For Indians Is Tabled By Warren Board

A request for the passage of a "Resolution of Cooperation" in the construction of a housing project for Indians in Warren County was tabled for further study by Warren County Commissioners at their regular July meeting here Monday.

The request was made by John Bullard of the Department of Indian Affairs of Raleigh, who appeared before the board to discuss plans for the construction of housing units by HUD in the Haliwa Indian area of Warren and Halifax Counties. He said that of the from 80 to 100 units proposed to be built in the area it is proposed that from 30 to 40 units be built in Warren County.

Under the proposal the project would be financed by HUD, would consist of single units, dual units and tri-units. Each unit would include central heat and running water and sewage, and the rent payments would be largely financed by the federal government. Bullard said the need for better housing for the Indians of that area is acute. This statement was corroborated by Kathy Wilson, Democratic Candidate for member of the Warren County Board of Education, who spoke briefly of this need.

Stumbling block may be a lack of water in Warren County. Under a regional water system being planned by Halifax County, a deep well system may be built for the Essex and Hollister area of that county. In that event, Bullard said, he believes that Halifax County would permit the running of lines across the Warren County line. Since water would be sold to occupants of the proposed units, he said, it would be to the interest of any Hollister-Essex plant to cross the county lines.

The commissioners in tabling the proposed resolution until the August meeting of the Board, agreed with Chairman Harris that members need more time to study various material submitted by Bullard.

The commissioners did agree to pass a resolution stating that Warren County is interested in the proposed project.

Susan Wilson, tax collector, reported 1979 taxes collected in the month of June in the amount of \$17,794.29, bringing total 1979 taxes to date to \$1,456,008.09. This represents 96.33 percent of the 1979-80 levy.

Miss Wilson also reported other June collection as follows: delinquent taxes and penalties, \$2,722.18; partial payments, \$3,485.94; advance payments, \$676.14, for a total June collection of \$24,678.55.

Frank Twitty, Dog Warden, reported that he picked up 163 dogs during

June, killed 160, and gave away three. He reported one person bitten and one dog confined. He said that he answered 107 calls, and drove 2159.9 miles. A suggestion by Twitty that it might be well to extend the vaccination period due to alarm of

rabies spreading among wild animals, was vetoed by the commissioners.

Chet Forrester, Electrical Inspector, submitted the following written report:

Electrical inspections, 57; insulation permits, 8; zoning permits, 9; fire

inspections, 2; insulation inspections, 20; total 97.

Forrester reported he travelled approximately 1600 miles in the month of June, and that he attended a four-day school in Rocky Mount, June 16-19, in his capacity as fire inspector.

Warren County Targeted For New Health Program

By TALMADGE EDWARDS, JR.

Children and parents in Warren County continue to benefit from the happenstance of their close proximity to the medical facilities at Duke University.

The proximity factor was one consideration of Duke University Medical School's selection of Warren, Vance, Granville and Person counties as a target area for a comprehensive new program to confront the conditions contributing to a high death rate among children born in eastern North Carolina.

This program effort, which began July 1, was made possible by a \$429,000, two-year grant awarded by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation of Princeton, N. J. The grant funds will support teams composed of a physician and nurse from Duke Medical Center to work with health department personnel in each county.

Poverty, poor nutrition, limited health services and the high percentage of teenage pregnancy are the primary causes of the high death rate of infants in many eastern and western counties of N. C., according to Dr. Carlyle M. Crenshaw, Jr., co-director of the Division of Perinatal Medicine at Duke University.

In 1978, Warren County experienced 34.7 infant deaths per 1000 births; Vance, 23.7; Franklin 11.1; Granville, 7.5, and Person, 17.9. Out of every 1,000 babies born in N. C. in 1978, at least 16 died before reaching their first birthday. In 1979, 1,270 of the 83,782 babies born in N. C. died during their first year.

Duke Medical School has been rated as the third best in the nation by medical school deans surveyed. Only Johns Hopkins and Harvard medical schools were rated higher.

Former JGHS Teacher Is Given Post

HALIFAX — The Halifax County Board of Education Monday named a Roanoke Rapids man to be principal of the new Southeast High School, currently under construction. Named to the post was Ben Terrell.

Terrell, 33, has been employed with the county school system for seven years, serving all of that period as principal of Scotland Neck High School.

Before joining Halifax schools, Terrell, who grew up in Raleigh, taught at John Graham Senior High School in Warren County for four years.

He received a bachelor's degree at East Carolina University, certification at the University of Edinburgh and a master's degree at Appalachian State University — all in history.

Terrell will preside over a student body of over 1,000 students plus staff at Southeast, which is currently being built between here and Scotland Neck on N. C. 125. The school is slated to open in the fall of 1981. He will begin his new duties in 12 months, although Superintendent of Schools Luther Adams said Terrell probably will begin planning phases as early as next January.

"Elated," was how Terrell described his feelings after the appointment, which came toward the end of the board's regular meeting (Continued on page 3)



MRS. WISHON



MRS. HOLT

District Workshop Slated At Norlina

Club members of the Fourteenth District of the North Carolina Federation of Women's Clubs will attend the annual Summer District Workshop on July 15 in Norlina.

The district president, Mrs. L. O. Robertson, Jr., of Warrenton, will preside at the meeting which will be held at the Norlina Baptist Church.

Featured speakers for the day will be Mrs. Joseph H. Wishon of Hickory, first vice president of the North Carolina Federation of Women's Clubs, and Mrs. Ernest Holt of Greenville, second vice president of the North Carolina Federation of Women's Clubs.

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

Registration will begin at 9 a. m. and luncheon

will be served at the Norlina Woman's Clubhouse at 1 p. m. The day's meeting will begin at 10 a. m.

Norlina Tests To Be Performed

Norlina residents who notice light grey smoke escaping from manholes and vent stacks of roofs throughout the town have been advised not to worry, it most likely is the result of tests being performed on the town's sewer system by a Durham firm.

Members of the Norlina Board of Commissioners were advised Monday night of the upcoming tests by Mrs. Mae Gums, town clerk.

She said the testing is a part of a program to improve the town's existing wastewater (Continued on page 11)