



Construction employees are shown busily at work this week as they build a new supermarket and drug store at the Hall Springs property

owned by Byrd's Food Stores. Both buildings are expected to be completed this fall. (Staff Photo)

During Marathon Session

Appointments Made By Board

The Warren County Board of Education Monday night approved the hiring of seven persons who will be serving the school system during the 1981-82 school year.

Approval came during a marathon five-hour meeting, most of which was spent in executive sessions dealing with student transfers and personnel matters.

Approved for employment were Pamela Barrier, ESAA elementary art teacher; James H. Moss, maintenance employee; Richard A. Byrd, driver education teacher at Warren County High School; Mary Danylu Palmer, interim Title I reading teacher at South Warren; Albertha Valentine, EMS-LD teacher at Northside; Bessie Allen, Hawkins custodian; and Ardith Roddy, EMH-LD teacher at Warren County High School.

Four resignations were given approval. They were Sarah M. Baskerville, ESAA elementary guidance counselor; B. Patrick Austin, principal at John Graham Middle School; Alden Hanson, ESAA elementary art teacher; and Alex Hargrove, Hawkins custodian, who is retiring.

Also approved by the board were the following transfers of employees:

John Coleman, from health-physical education teacher at Norlina to health-physical education teacher at John Graham.

Sally Ann Collier, from librarian at Vaughan to librarian at Northside.

Mildred Diane Walker, from classroom teacher at Mariam Boyd to classroom teacher at Northside.

Jessie P. Davis, from classroom teacher at Vaughan to classroom teacher at Northside.

Barbara Alston, from primary reading aide at Vaughan to primary reading aide at Northside.

Sheneque Jackson, from Title I reading teacher at Norlina to Title

B reading teacher at Hawkins.

John Hudgins, from teacher at Warren County High School to teacher at John Graham Middle School.

Claire Cooper, from exceptional children's aide at Northside to exceptional children's aide at North Warren.

In other matters, the board voted to pave the walks and bus parking area at Warren County High School.

The board members heard a report from Superintendent Mike Williams that Warren County is one of 24 school units in North Carolina selected to participate in a pilot field-test of state developed instruments and procedures for teacher and principal performance evaluations.

The board also heard a report from the superintendent regarding a legislative act which would require local boards of education to charge tuition.

In Warrenton

Town Council Meets Monday

Mrs. Valeria Lee, WVSP Radio Station Manager, and Ms. Dottie Davis, producer, appeared before the board of town commissioners at their regular meeting here Monday night seeking permission to block off a short portion of Front Street in order to celebrate the fifth birthday of the radio station.

They asked that a portion of South Front Street from All Saints Episcopal Church at the corner of West Franklin Street to West Beauty Shop be blocked off from 9 a. m. to 8 p. m. on Saturday, Aug. 29, the date of the birthday celebration. Mrs. Lee said the celebration would include modern music, games such as volleyball and sack racing and several concessions.

Pointing out that there would be little traffic on Saturday and offering their best wishes for the success of the celebration, the commissioners readily granted the request.

All the commissioners were present for the meeting except Commissioner A. A. Wood.

The commissioners were told that there would be no increase in filing fees this year for Mayor and seven commissioners. Mayor White said that he had been notified by the local Board of Elections that filing fee had again been set by the State Board of Elections at \$15 for mayor and \$5 for commissioners. No one present at the moment knew when is the filing date.

Engineers in constructing the regional waste water system at Warrenton had obtained permission to remove some 60 feet of water pipe to simplify construction with a promise to restore such pipe. Bill Neal, water superintendent, told the commissioners that the engineers had requested permission not to restore the pipe. Neal was told to write the Engineers that they would be expected to restore the pipe.

Mayor White said that he had discussed with Jack Harris, chairman of the board of county commissioners concerning the signing of an electric contract for the waste water plant with Carolina Power and Light Company and that Harris had suggested that he, County

Manager Glenn Newsome and Town and County Attorney Charles Johnson meet with Mayor White and Town Administrator Pete Vaughan and try to work out an agreement as to the proper person to sign contract.

Mayor White suggested that Gordon Greene, Carolina Power and Light Company manager, be added to the group and the matter be discussed at a called meeting of the town board when no other matters would be discussed.

The commissioners appeared. (Continued on page 8)

Large Trees Are Removed At No Cost To Town

Mayor White told the commissioners at their regular meeting Monday night that after consultation with Pete Vaughan, town administrator, and a few others he had approved the removal of two large trees on Main Street in front of the court house. He said the action was taken because much of both trees were rotten and a danger to both pedestrian and motor traffic.

After a local contractor had given the town a price of \$325 for the removal of both trees, the Mayor appealed to Carolina Power and Light Company but were told that their wires ran on the opposite side of the street and that the trees were endangering those of Carolina Telephone and Telegraph Company.

When Mayor White pointed this out to telephone officials they removed the two trees at no cost to the town.

Mayor White suggested that the town have the stumps cut close to the ground with a chain saw, but when it was pointed out that Carolina Power and Light Company has a machine or a process that will remove stumps, he said the power company would be contacted. He expressed the hope that the stumps could be removed and other trees re-planted. It is anticipated that the type of trees to be replanted will be determined by the beautification committee of the town.

Student Transfer Requests Heard

Requests for student transfers dominated the agenda of the Warren County Board of Education on Monday night.

Just as was the case on July 13, when the board balked at approving the majority of requests, the decisions came in executive session.

The following requests were approved by the board:

A request by Ms. Gladys Richardson that her grandchildren, Wanda and William Morris Richardson, be allowed to attend Mariam Boyd School. Mrs. Richardson

resides in the South Warren attendance area.

A request by Ms. Kathy L. Cooper that her children, Camilla, grade 2 and Johnathan, grade 5, be released to attend school in Halifax County. Ms. Cooper resides in Warren County in the Mariam Boyd-Hawkins attendance area.

A request by Mr. and Mrs. Albert Townes that their son, Derrick, grade 2, be permitted to attend Mariam Boyd. The Towneses reside in the Northside attendance area.

A request from Julian

Farrar that Joseph Jarrrells, who is in the custody of the Warren County Department of Social Services, be permitted to attend kindergarten at Mariam Boyd School. Joseph is now living with a family outside the Mariam Boyd attendance area.

A request by Mr. and Mrs. Justice West that their son, Nat, grade 7, be permitted to attend school in Warren County. The Wests reside in Halifax County.

A request by Mrs. Gloria S. Wilson that the board reconsider its July 13 decision not to release

her son, Daniel, grade 2, to attend school in Halifax County. Mrs. Wilson resides in the Mariam Boyd attendance area.

A request by Mrs. Henryetta Lynch that her children, Kristi, grade 1, and Rebecca, grade 5, be permitted to attend Mariam Boyd and Hawkins. Mrs. Lynch lives in the South Warren attendance area.

A request by Leon Hedgepeth that his children, Robbie, grade 10, and Kelly Redcross, grade 10, be accepted from Halifax County.

A request by Mrs. Cora Short that her daughter, Janet, grade 11, be accepted from Northampton County.

The following requests were denied by the board:

A request by John Andrews that his sons, Demond, in kindergarten and Corey, grade 4, be permitted to attend Northside and North Warren. Mr. Andrews lives in the Mariam Boyd-Hawkins attendance area.

A request by Mes. Lizzie B. Silver that her daughters, Sandra, grade 12, and Shelia, grade 7, be released to attend school in Halifax County. Mrs. Silver resides in Warren County.

A request by Mrs. Mary G. Talley that her son, Antonio, grade 4, be permitted to attend Hawkins. Mrs. Talley resides in the North Warren attendance area.

A request by Mrs. Naomi P. Allen that her son, Edward, grade 5, be permitted to attend North Warren. The address of Mrs. Allen's residence was not made public.

A request by Mrs. Brenda Riggan that her son, Michael, grade 1, be permitted to attend Northside. Mrs. Riggan lives in the Mariam Boyd attendance area.

A request by Mrs. Hilda Terry that the board

Highest Percentage Of Poverty Found In Warren

RALEIGH — Some 330,000 households in North Carolina with approximately 860,000 people are living in poverty, according to a report just completed by the Center for Urban Affairs and Community Development at North Carolina State University for the State Department of Human Resources.

The report says that this represents about 16 percent of the state's approximately 2 million households containing 5.8 million people.

"Even so, this is a significant decrease from the 992,000 people or 20.2 percent of the state's population living in poverty in 1970. We in the Department of Human Resources are deeply concerned about how proposed federal funding cutbacks in human services will affect North Carolina's 'truly poor' citizens," said Secretary of Human Resources Dr.

Sarah T. Morrow. She emphasized that not only do many of these poor households have young children who need an adequate start in life, but that one-half of the households are headed by people who are 60 years of age or older.

The data in the report was collected through a Statewide Needs Assessment Project sponsored by the Department of Human Resources. The major objective of the project was to collect data to assist human services agencies in planning for the delivery of social services under the Title XX program.

The center used a stratified multi-stage sampling procedure to gather data from households. The final household selection was made using aerial photographs and road segments. Interviews were conducted by trained interviewers in the sample homes. Interviews were conducted in 4,600 house-

holds across the state between 1977 and 1981.

Other significant information contained in the report:

Whites represent the majority of households (58 percent) living in poverty.

The majority of the poor households (58 percent) were headed by females.

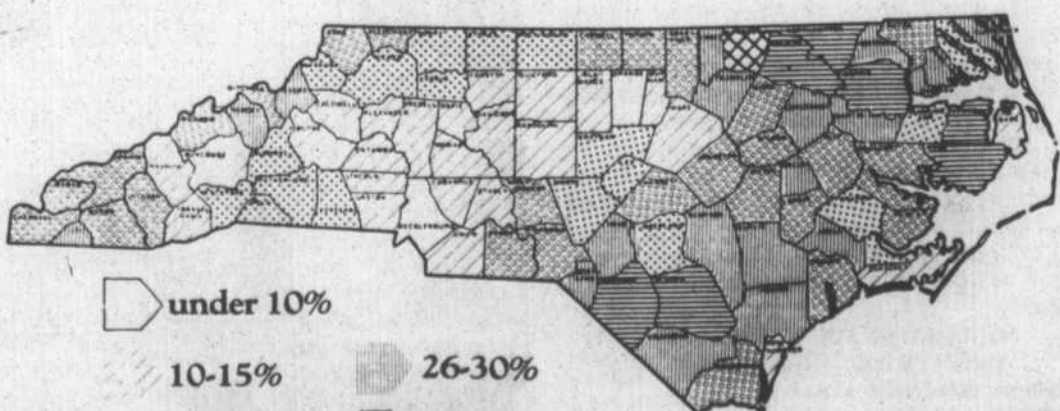
Geographically, urban households represent 53 percent of all poverty households.

Heads of households are employed in 30 percent of the poverty households.

Only 23 percent of the poverty households have heads with 12 or more years of education.

Among households below the poverty level, approximately one-third are living in substandard housing.

One-third of the poverty households have at least one member who has a serious medical problem that requires frequent medical attention.



This map shows the North Carolina counties by percent of households below the poverty level. Warren County is the only county in the state with a rating of over 35 percent.

Full Board Votes For Williams Home

The full board of directors of the Capital Health Systems Agency, Inc. has voted to endorse a proposal by N. L. Williams of Warren County that he be permitted to build a 100-bed nursing home in Warren County.

The vote came last week during a three-hour meeting held in Cary's Jordan

Lightning Blamed

For Fire In Tree

Lightning is blamed as the cause of a tree fire in Norlina which drew a response from Norlina volunteer firemen on Tuesday night.

Firemen Dennis Paschall reported that the fire department responded to a 11:28 p. m. call from the residence of Ray Hudgins on Hudgins Street where a tree was found on fire.

He said that damage was confined to the tree. A total of 10 men and one truck responded to the call.

Hall. The vote was 33 to accept a recommendation of a CHSA screening committee that the Williams proposal be given prime consideration, seven voting against and three abstaining.

The next and final step will be to present the CHSA decision to the Certificate of Need Section of the State Division of Facility Services for a final ruling. That ruling is expected later this month.

Three of the four applicants for a nursing home sought to have the home built in Warren County. A fourth—Paul Karseras—wanted the home built in Wake County. However, Karseras, who saw his proposal finish in last place in the eyes of the screening committee, failed to show up at the meeting in Cary last Wednesday.

Speaking for the Williams proposal at the Cary meeting were Dr. J. P. Green of Henderson, Jack

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