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Adherence To Duty

This is not the first time that we have commented on the debt of gratitude that our people owe employees of Carolina Power and Light Company for services rendered during power emergencies caused by hurricanes and the ice and sleet of winter storms. Again this adherence to duty has been shown by power company employees not only in Warren County but from over the state as linesmen have known no county lines.

While most of us were comfortable in our homes last week watching basketball games or other entertainment, power company employees were out in the bitter cold, risking their lives for hour after hour that we might stay comfortable.

Our home is electrically heated and cooled, with only gas logs still connected and not used, as our only other source of heat. We have been discussing the matter with possible future action likely. On Sunday night we awoke with no electric heat, and no real idea when power would be restored. The beds were still warm and we soon dropped off to sleep in the knowledge that the power

employees were working on it. The next morning when we awoke with power restored, we discovered that it remained off for only an hour. I believe that was the only time our power was off.

Another group which has earned the gratitude of our people is the Warren County rural volunteer firemen who have driven their trucks over icy roads in darkness and in daylight as they answered calls for help.

Monday at the close of the business day we managed to reach our homes in spite of sleet and icy rain that made walking a difficult feat. That night as we crawled in bed at 11 p. m. we heard the siren located at the rural firehouse calling volunteer firemen and in a matter of minutes we heard the fire trucks responding to the call, and we again thought of the debt of gratitude that our people owe our volunteer firemen, as well as to the Warren County Rescue Squads.

We have our troubles, it is true, but we have also many fine groups which realize they are their brothers keepers.

Should Be Rejected

The Southern Pines Pilot

Three former governors have joined a statewide committee formed to oppose a proposed constitutional amendment to increase the terms of state legislators from two years to four years.

Democratic governors Robert W. Scott and Terry Sanford and Republican Governor James E. Holshouser, Jr., in statements last week, urged defeat of the amendment in the referendum this spring.

All three feel strongly that doubling the terms of legislators would greatly disturb the balance of powers in state government.

It would surely do that and more. It would lessen the accountability of legislators to the citizens of the state and the contact of those legislators with the voters.

If approved, the amendment would take effect in 1982, an off-year election, and thus legislators would be in office and in control when a new governor takes office in 1984. Such a situation could be intolerable as a governor would be rendered powerless in seeking to carry out a program on which he had

campaigned on a statewide basis.

North Carolina has functioned well over the years with the present balance of powers, and to upset that balance could seriously affect the state as a whole.

The three former governors spoke well in voicing their concerns, and the public of the state should listen to what they have to say.

The proposed amendment is a bad idea and should be rejected.

Quotes

Goodwill is the one and only asset that competition cannot undersell nor destroy.—Marshall Field.

Falseness is never so successful as when she baits her hook with truth.—Charles C. Colton.

A man may fall many times but he won't be a failure until he says that someone pushed him.—Elmer G. Letterman.

News Of 10, 25 And 40 Years Ago

Looking Back Into The Record

January 16, 1942

Miss Emma Hall, who for the past 25 years has been an efficient bookkeeper for the Warrenton Grocery Co., tendered her resignation on January 15, and on January 18 will leave for Cedartown, Ga. to accept a position with Mr. T. C. Montgomery. Mr. and Mrs. Montgomery for a number of years were managers of Hotel Warren.

Honoring Mrs. Frank Banzet, a recent bride, Mrs. J. E. Banzet entertained at eight tables of cards on Saturday afternoon. A green and white bridal motif was used. The honoree received crystal goblets in her pattern and Miss Mariam Boyd, bride-elect, was presented a gift. Gifts were also presented to Mrs. Henry Twitty and Mrs. Charles J. Tucker, recent Warrenton brides. Miss Mary Frances Rodwell received high score prize.

NEW YORK — The torpedoing of a Panamanian

tanker by an enemy submarine almost within sight of Long Island brought the Battle of the Atlantic into the East Coast's front yard today.

January 18, 1957

W. L. Wood was elected Mayor Pro-tem of the town of Warrenton at a regular meeting of the board on Monday night. He succeeds W. A. Miles, who last week was elevated to the position of mayor to serve out the unexpired term of J. Ed Rooker.

Tar Heel farmers may receive payments totaling \$25,471,700 under the 1957 Soil Bank Acreage Reserve Program if they participate to the maximum extent of the state's allocations.

Commemorating the 150th anniversary of the birth of General Robert Edward Lee (January 19, 1807), a tribute will be paid to the South's beloved general by W. W. Taylor, Jr., prominent Warrenton attorney and former mem-

ber of the N. C. House of Representatives.

January 20, 1972

Warren County voters in a special referendum Saturday approved action of the county commissioners in levying a local one-cent sales tax last summer when they voted by more than four to one to keep the tax.

T. F. Willard, 45, of Greensboro, who has announced as a candidate for governor of North Carolina on the Republican ticket, was a visitor in Warren County last Thursday in the interest of his candidacy, and while here paid a visit to the office of The Warren Record.

Turner N. Robertson, a native of Macon and majority chief page of the U. S. Congress, retired at the close of the 92nd Congressional session. He has served in Washington for more than 32 years; serving as chief page since June 1, 1947.

By BIGNALL JONES

As a measure of the extreme cold that prevailed over Warren County for more than a week, water pipes in the back office where there is no heat froze for the first time during the many years that we have used our present building.

In recent years we have photo method of printing our newspaper and development of films has been dependent on running water. A burst pipe caused the water to be cut off and threatened the issuing of last week's paper. It was truly an emergency. Unfortunately, it was only one of scores of emergencies as we were to discover when we called Warrenton Supply Company and another plumber on Monday morning and were placed on Warrenton Supply Company's list to wait our turn.

On Tuesday morning as I told Vernon Whitmore, manager, of our difficulties, his telephone rang and it proved to be a call from Mrs. Rue Coleman of Inez, who had earlier placed her request for aid. She had learned of the plight of The Warren Record, and called to ask Vernon to let The Record have her place, as she could make out until the rush was over.

We are deeply indebted to Mrs. Coleman for her act of kindness which allowed our newspaper to appear on time Wednesday. We feel, as scores of others must have felt in their adversities, that Warren County is filled with good and kindly people.

This snow and ice storm with its bitter cold has brought forth in other newspapers writers' recollections of bad storms of past years. Among these was Wingate Lassiter of The Smithfield Herald who recalled the 18-inch snow of 1958. Peter Hulth, a Herald reporter then and 23 years later, wrote in his story about the storm that Mrs. P. A. Berkman, distributor for The News and Observer in Smithfield then, made her deliveries on schedule the day following the storm by riding a tractor to reach subscribers of "The Old Reliable."

Reporter Hulth noted that the storm of '58 was the biggest since 18 inches of snow was dumped on Johnston in early March of 1927. Turning to the Herald's account of the storm, Editor Lassiter read that Smithfieldians hadn't seen so much since the blizzards of 1899 and 1857.

My own recollections of big storms cover an ice and snow storm in 1912, which I have good reasons to remember. To avert frostbite my mother had caused us to soak our feet in Tiz before going to bed in a back room of the house. Before we could get to sleep, Robert and Edward Davis, and possibly Haywood, came into our room with the suggestion that we go out to play in the snow. We dressed and soon joined them, when my father suddenly appeared with a paddle in his hand which he applied to my lower body. Robert and Edward Davis did not wait to see my punishment, but headed for their home at full speed. As Edward ran he slipped down on ice that had formed on the north side of a big oak tree but in an instant was up and running. The next day Robert appeared with a sly grin and references to my paddling.

Edward, with whom I shared a January 15th birthday, a few years later in World War I, was to die a heroic death from a shot from a German U-boat commanded when he swam to the submarine from his ship which was being shelled to plead for

Mostly Personal

Good And Kindly People

his companions. I also remember deep snows around 1916, and recall the snowstorm of 1927 to which The Smithfield Herald referred. About the only thing I remember is that the snow, and possibly ice, prevented mail being brought from Norlina to Warrenton. When the carrier was unable to get through, Ed Gillam rode a tractor to Norlina and returned with the mail.

We had another big snow in January 1939, somewhat similar to the present

storm. Grace and a number of teachers and other friends in their twenties went out sleigh riding on Hudgins hill and other suitable sites, while I stayed at home looking after Howard, then a baby. The girls were wearing trousers and were pretty well bundled up and seemed to have had a marvelous time. Anyway from time to time there has been reference to this snow. What I remember best about the occasion was how pretty my wife looked.

Letters To The Editor

Disturbed By Statements

To The Editor:

I was greatly disturbed by the statements concerning, as was quoted, a problem with a home to be built by J. T. Fleming on a lot purchased from Mrs. Josephine Gilliland in the Monday, January 11, Town of Warrenton Board meeting write-up in The Warren Record.

To begin with, as a contractor, I would not build a house for anyone when proper sewage drainage wasn't possible. Mr. Haithcock had absolutely no way of knowing where the floor level of this home would be. I will assure anyone that it will be of such a level to insure proper sewage drainage.

People who don't have the proper knowledge of such matters should be more careful in stating such a problem exists when it doesn't.

I personally feel that with the number of phone calls I have had concerning this matter, that the statement is harmful to my business. I feel that a public statement is needed by any person or persons concerned to correct this matter.

JAMES T. FLEMING

Letter Of Thanks

To The Editor:

We have a lot to be thankful for. During this bad weather, I have had my lights off, and no water for five days except that which Jesse Pegram brought me in five-gallon bottles and two gallons which my little friend, Brenda Young, went to M. C. Little's house and got for me.

The doctor has me on eight glasses of water a day and I am surely thankful for the water brought me.

When my current was off, the stove was off, too. Then the telephone went off. I just did not know what would be next. I figured on what food I had close by me, as to how long that might last. My helper did not show up, but I did not blame her as she might have slipped and then she would not have been any help to herself or anyone else.

When I awoke at 4 a. m. on Friday, the furnace came on and then I heard water dripping and found that my refrigerator by my bed, which is on a swivel base, was disconnected. But the only thing I could do was to throw a newspaper under the leak to keep it from running all over the floor.

My brain has surely been busy for almost 28 years since my accident, as to how I would get along. But I know now for sure that God loves me. Not only does he love me in a general way, but in a particular way. In spite of our sin, he is looking after us. He loves us for what we are and what we do. Showing us he is concerned and cares, he died for us.

For all of those who are up and about, take time to thank God for saving us through all of this bad weather. Also ask God to bless and help people who are less fortunate than we are.

If anyone is concerned and cares to visit me, I will be glad to tell them and show them how God has guided me and provided a way for me to do my work, and care for myself. And I do want you all to know I am thankful.

GLADYS STANSBURY
Littleton

The Waste Management Act

To The Editor:

The N. C. Supreme Court has recently ruled that the part of the Waste Management Act which allows legislators to serve on the Waste Management Commission is unconstitutional because legislative power would infringe on executive power and violate the constitutional principle of separation of powers.


But what is separation of powers without the constitutional principle of checks and balances? It is tyranny. And by separating the governor from legislative and judicial restraints, the Waste Management Act authorizes a tyranny of executive power.

Under the Waste Management Act, the governor can act arbitrarily and capriciously, which is the very essence of tyranny. He can discriminate against a county by targeting it for burial of hazardous waste and thus deny the county equal protection under the law, equal protection from EPA-approved landfills which, even as these words are being read, are devastating regions of the nation. To facilitate sitings, he can arbitrarily and capriciously transfer the control of private property from the landowners to hazardous waste industries. Furthermore, he can make the siting decision prior to the public hearing of the targeted community and thus pre-empt freedom of choice. And, finally, he can pre-empt or override county ordinances written for self-preservation.


This tyranny of executive power authorized by the Waste Management Act is not to be confused with, nor justified by, the state's right of eminent domain. We are not talking about building roads, for example, and compensating people for the loss of their property. We are talking about building hazardous waste landfills. And we are talking about the fact that the waste cannot be contained within them, nor within the boundaries of the land transactions which permit them. We are therefore talking about the impossibility of compensation for those persons whose lands will be threatened by the landfill experiment, but who will be denied compensation when the experiment fails. They will be denied compensation because their lands are not within the boundaries of the hazardous waste land transactions from which they are being excluded. And, indeed, we are talking about the kind of loss for which no compensation is possible.

The Waste Management Act is therefore unconstitutional because it authorizes the governor to arbitrarily and capriciously pre-empt fundamental rights reserved to every American by the federal constitution. It thus

DID YOU KNOW? *By Jarvis*



ADM. WM. F. "BULL" HALSEY
COMMANDER THE MOST
FORMIDABLE NAVAL FORCE IN
U.S. HISTORY DURING WORLD
WAR II. HIS VERY AGGRESSIVE
TACTICS BROUGHT HOPE AND
CHEER TO AMERICANS NEEDING
A LIFT. HE MADE A FEW MIS-
TAKES, THO: TWICE HE ORDERED
SHIPS INTO TYPHOONS. ONCE
HE SENT HIS MAIN FORCE AFTER
A JAPANESE DECOY FLEET.



**MURPHEY'S
3rd LAW:
EVERYTHING
TAKES LONGER
THAN YOU
EXPECT.**

**A BOBCAT DIFFERS FROM
A LYNX IN THAT IT HAS
SMALLER FEET, SHORTER
EARS AND A LONG-
ER TAIL.**

**FAMOUS ITALIAN FILM DIRECTOR
FEDERICO FELLINI**
DREW CARICATURES OF CAFE PATRONS,
WAS A MAGAZINE EDITOR, AND WROTE
RADIO SCRIPTS BEFORE GOING INTO SHOW BIZ.

Two Types Of Ash Grow Well In N. C.

If you have the room for it, an ash tree could be a welcomed addition to the home landscape. Ash is an excellent shade tree, according to N. C. Agricultural Extension Service specialists.

Two types of ash are native to North Carolina and grow well throughout the state. They are green ash and white ash. They are among the best and fastest growing of all trees for shade.

The main difference between growing white ash and green ash is the soil requirement. Green ash will grow on a wide variety of soil types. White ash is very demanding in its soil requirements. It needs moist, well drained, loamy or silty soil of high fertility, if it is to grow rapidly.

Another difference is in the color of the fall foliage. Green ash provides an early burst of bright yellow color in the fall. The foliage of white ash is more bronze. A final difference between the two species of

trees is their tolerance to shade. White ash can be grown in partial shade. Green ash needs full sun for best growth.

Both species of trees can attain heights of up to 100 feet and a spread of up to 75 feet at maturity. They have attractive, dense summer foliage. Their average life expectancy is 75 years.

Both green ash and white have shallow root systems, which occasionally cause lawn problems if surface watering and fertilization are used. Deep watering and fertilization will cause the roots to form deeper.

Heavy seed crops are often a problem. However, varieties of male trees which do not produce seed are available. Three commercially available seedless varieties of green ash are Marshall's Seedless, Emerald and Summit. Two commercially available seedless varieties of white ash are Rose Hill and Autumn Purple.

from HISTORY'S SCRAPBOOK DATES AND EVENTS FROM YESTERYEARS

January 21, 1908 - New York City passes Sullivan Ordinance making smoking by women in public places illegal.

January 22, 1973 - Supreme Court hands down controversial ruling allowing abortion on demand.

January 23, 1968 - U.S.S. Pueblo attacked and captured by North Korean boats off Wonsan in Sea of Japan.

January 24, 1949 - U.S. Air Force institutes Operation Haylift to drop food to millions of snowbound cattle and sheep in the West.

January 25, 1965 - Honorary American citizen Winston Churchill dies.

January 26, 1830 - Daniel Webster, in the Webster-Hayne debate, delivers his greatest oration, "Liberty and union, now and forever, one and inseparable."

January 27, 1880 - Thomas A. Edison obtains patent for an electric incandescent lamp.

poses a direct threat to environmental and social stability.

It poses a threat to environmental stability because it authorizes the governor to force EPA-approved landfills destructive to the environment on targeted communities.

It poses a threat to social stability because by sidestepping the structure of the federal constitution and thus extinguishing fundamental rights reserved to the people, it precludes the only humane, enlightened, rational, and civilized means they have to defend themselves.

The Waste Management Act leaves the targeted communities with four choices. First, they can give up. They can accept the burial method in return for concessions from the state and thus threaten their own environmental stability. Second, they can resist, and thus threaten their own social stability. Third, they can challenge the constitutionality of the Waste Management Act's framework, and within this framework, the constitutionality of the burial method of the siting procedures and of the governor's right to have the final say.

Fourth, they can insist that the governor follow the recommendations of Bernard G. Greenberg, chairman of the Governor's Task Force on Waste Management, who said recently, "We can't bury it (hazardous waste) anymore." And while refusing to permit the burial of hazardous waste within their borders, the targeted communities can insist that the state consider safer and more cost-effective ways of managing waste, such as detoxification, incineration, recycling, and reduction of waste during production. And, finally, they can insist that the sites should be located where the waste is generated.

Informed citizens, as well as some state officials, are convinced that the burial method is scientifically, constitutionally, economically and morally wrong. This belief is so fundamental to their sense of moral and political justice that it can no longer be safely disregarded by politicians.

It is impossible to construct an argument for the burial method without justifying the self-destruction of the state itself. Therefore, politicians who continue to advocate the burial method may be risking their own political ruin.

Personally speaking, I cannot think about the burial method without being reminded of the following passage from John Keats' "Ode on A Grecian Urn":
And, little town, thy streets for everyone
Will silent be; and not a soul to tell
Why thou art desolate, can e'er return.

KEN FERRUCCIO
Committee Member
Warren County Citizens
Concerned About PCBs