



Firemen from Warrenton and Norlina battle flames which ravaged the Warrenton Depot on Friday night. The depot, which had been used as a club house by the Warrenton Woman's Club

since 1975, may be rebuilt. Police have made an arrest in a burning which fire officials report was deliberately set.

(Staff Photo)

Historic Warrenton Landmark Destroyed, Arson Charge Made

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A 38-year-old man with a previous record of arson was arrested Saturday and charged with the burning of the Warrenton Railroad Depot late Friday night,

according to Warrenton Police Chief Freddie Robinson.

Thomas Glen Tatem, a native of Norfolk, Va. staying with relatives at 529 N. Main Street in Warrenton, was arrested at the scene of

the fire and placed under a \$5,000 bond.

Chief Robinson said he did not know the motive for the starting of the fire, but said it was not related in any way to the week-long demonstrations in the county in protest of the state's dumping of PCB in the landfill in Afton.

The fire, which was started by a candle, was reported at 10:55 p. m. by Officer James McCowan of the Warrenton Police Department. Twenty-six men from Warrenton Rural Fire Department and firefighters from the Town of Warrenton Fire Department and the Norlina Fire Department fought the blaze for an hour and a half before bringing it under control, according to Walter Gardner, captain with the Warrenton Rural Fire

Department.

At 3:30 a. m. on Saturday, the fire was started again and the Warrenton Rural Fire Department worked for an hour putting it out.

The State Bureau of Investigation was called after the first blaze, and their efforts along with that of the Warrenton Police Department led to the arrest of Tatem, Gardner said.

Gardner estimated damage to the depot at \$25,000 and damage to the contents of the area occupied by the Warrenton Woman's Club at \$7,500. FCX had fertilizer valued at \$4,000 stored in the rear loading area.

The depot was built in 1907 to serve the line connecting Warrenton and Warren Plains and with the Raleigh-Gaston Railroad.

In 1975, the Town of

Warrenton leased the depot to the Warrenton Woman's Club for \$1 a year for 10 years, on the condition that they fix it up.

In 1978, the railroad was sold to W. D. Martin, a New Jersey businessman, and in 1979 to Willard Formyduval, an Aberdeen businessman.

Graelyn Formyduval, spokesman for the Warrenton Railroad, said there was no insurance on the building. He said his chief concern was to clean up the site and eliminate any hazards that now exist.

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As Dumping Continues

Mass Arrests Made By Patrol

Citizens Concerned About PCBs held a relatively quiet meeting at the Warren County Courthouse last night (Tuesday) and vowed to continue their fight against the dumping of PCB-laden soil in a landfill at Afton. "We will meet in the mornings and rally in the afternoons," said one of the principal speakers as she urged as many as possible to attend a rally to be held in Raleigh on Thursday morning.

There were no television or outside reporters at the rally here attended by some 150 persons, as leaders expressed their appreciation for the support of the Concerned Citizens, and several members volunteered for clean-up jobs. All protesters arrested at the landfill and jailed on Monday were released on bail for their appearance in court in late October.

In a week of futile resistance so far as stopping the placing of PCBs in the Afton landfill, the Concerned Citizens have lived up to their pledge of non-violence. One incident was reported on Monday when a



The Rev. Ben Chavis addresses anti-PCB forces during a rally at the Warren County Court House. At right is Ken Ferruccio, president of the Citizens Concerned About PCBs.

(Staff Photo)

member of the State Highway Patrol was struck beneath the eye with a thrown rock as protesters were being arrested. He was not seriously hurt.

In demonstrations since Wednesday of last week, when the state began picking up the PCB-laden soil, a total of 268 arrests have been made. Some people were arrested more than once and all were out on bond or personal recognizance Tuesday.

In addition to those arrested were 52 juveniles who were released into the custody of their parents.

There were no arrests made on Tuesday and no interference with the trucks which were steadily rolling this morning at press time.

The state picked up another 380 loads of PCB-contaminated dirt Tuesday from approximately 15.1 miles of roadside, according to William W. Phillips, assistant to the secretary of crime control and public safety.

As of Tuesday, 1353 loads have been picked up, covering 52.1 miles. The cleanup is ahead of schedule, Phillips said, and will probably be finished sooner than the estimated six weeks it was expected to take.

According to a News and Observer report Wednesday morning, the protests will continue today with another march on the dump at 11 a. m. and a rally in Warrenton at 7:30 p. m.

The marches have originated at Coley Springs Baptist Church about 2 miles from the landfill. The Rev. Luther Brown is pastor of the church.

A list of adults that have been arrested during the week follow:

Protestors arrested on Wednesday, Sept. 15, are listed alphabetically as follows:

Dorothy Alston, Robert Van Alston, Sr., Ella Andrews, Vincent Alston, Steven George Bender, Willie Lee Burnette, Charles Brown, Ronald Wayne Bullock, Dollie Bullock Burwell, John K. Chapman, James Bernard Clark, Laura Benjamine Davis and Fannie Armenta Eaton.

Also, Deborah Ferruccio, Kenneth Ferruccio, Richard Arthur Ferruccio, Brenda Fitts, Carolyn Fitts, Donald Joseph Jarboe, Richard J. Jones, Victoria Lehman, Armenia Lewis, and Larry Limer.

Also, Robert Wayne Moseley, Richard Wayne Muna, Yvonne Murray, Jennifer Perry (Continued on page 8B)

Jury List Drawn For Court Term

A list of Warren County jurors selected to serve during a civil session of Warren County Superior Court scheduled to begin here October 4 was released this week by Clerk of Court Richard E. Hunter, Jr.

Among those drawn to serve are:

Nancy Von Davis Brown, Calvin C. Davis, Albert Lee Lynch, Eardius Richardson, Clinton William Edgerton, Jr., Verdia Hunt Person, Mitzi Dawn Mulchi, Lamar H. Crawford, Mary Alice Bullock, Gloria Bertita Tunstall, Woodrow Wilson Silver, Ruby G. Ayscue, Jerald T. Davis, Tishie Havana Hendricks, Alice Marie Robertson and Otis Durham.

Also, Harold Edward Bobbitt, Christine Davis Carroll, Mary Gardner St. Sing, Elba McGowan Banzet, Robert V. Allen, Euna Mae Whitford, Thomas Scott Gardner, Robert D. Edmonds, Maggie Anna Townes, Carl B. Ayscue, Ruth E. Knight, Hal Langford Paschall, Jr., Robert Walker Taylor, Lucy Boyd Palmer, Robert Irving Lancaster and Chester Allen Silver.

Also, Calvin John Seaman, Peggy Lee Francis, William P. Alston, Jr., Earlean Suitte, Mary H. Kersey,

Bessie Jones Wilson, Angie C. Bland, George Levi Perkinson, Daisy Jones Green, Theo S. A. Matuskowitz, Walter A. Carter, Stephen T. Alston, Sr., Clyde Arnold Hicks, Deannine Dawkins McMillen, Richard Earl Harris and Gillis George Alston.

Also, Debra Smith Paynter, Thomas Gregory Hundley, Larry Leon Short, Hazel F. Thompson, Charles Wesley Madden, Mary S. Alston, Jean Harris Williams, Janet D. Falcon, Myrtle Evans Shearin, Magnolia Williams, Selma E. Helms, Marilyn Ashley Nelson, Wilbert Daniels, Helen P. Alston, Lillian Dunson Howard, Henry B. Stallings and Glenn Curtis St. Sing.

Thirteen jurors deferred from a previous session of court are also scheduled to serve. They are:

James A. Alston, Dorothy Allen Bolton, Joyce Terry Carter, James Edward Davis, William Russell Gaither, Mary Louise Harriston, John H. Henderson, Margaret Gill Hunt, Catherine Louise Kearney, Norma K. DeFreese Moore, Sandra Edwards Short, William Thomas Skinner, Ella Mae Hinton Smith.



Miss Emily Ballinger, Warren Extension agent, places ribbons on prize-winning flower displays at the annual Warren County Fair. The fair, sponsored by the Warrenton Lions Club, opened for a week-long run on Monday. Fair officials said that they are looking for large crowds during the final four days of the fair.

(Staff Photo)

Stuntman Planning Daring Feat Friday

One of the highlights of this week's Warren County Fair will be stuntman Johnny Sands' escape from a fiery teepee at 10 p. m. on Friday.

Sands, often billed as "The Nashville Flame," has saved such notables as Elvis Presley, Bill Bixby, Robert Conrad, and Ronald Reagan from possible injury by working as their stunt man on television and motion picture productions.

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the State Bureau of Investigation to recover the bodies of two men who had been killed and thrown into a mine shaft in Ashe County in western North Carolina. His efforts earned him certification by N. C. Attorney General Rufus Edmisten as an "Honorary Attorney General."

Sands, who is also a country-music singer, will present a music show at the fair at 9 p. m. on Thursday. He has been writing music since childhood, and appeared 13 consecutive times on the Ted Mack Amateur Hour doing impersonations of Elvis Presley.

His latest recording, "Magic Hats and Memories," is being distributed by Foxtrot Promotions in Nashville, Tenn. and has already sold 30,000 copies.



SANDS

Law enforcement officers will chain Sands to the center pole of the teepee. He will be drenched in kerosene and the tent will be set on fire. Sands is confident that he will extricate himself and escape unharmed in fewer than 60 seconds.

Sands has performed the stunt twice on television, on "That's Incredible" and "PM Magazine."

Sands' expertise, which he now uses in charity and civic work, sometimes reaches beyond the boundaries of entertainment. Last January, he was used by