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Warren County elections officials demonstrate the manner in which three new voting machines, newly arrived, will operate during November's General Election. Shown, left to right, are Janice

Crump, chairman of the Warren County Board of Elections; Ruby Jones, elections supervisor; and Edith Brown, board member. (Staff Photo)

## Voting Machines Arrive For General Election Use

The Warren County Board of Elections this week received delivery of three voting machines from the American Tabulating Systems Company of Irvine, Calif.

"This is a great step in the right direction for

Warren County," said Janice Crump, chairperson of the board. "The fact that we are rural doesn't mean that we have to live in the dark ages."

For the past five years the board has attempted to place voting

machines in the three largest precincts, West Warrenton, East Warrenton, and Norlina, each have required three times as many precinct workers as the smaller polling places, for each election. Even with triple the man

power, the board has often had to work up until noon of the day after the election counting returns.

"These machines will allow us to have complete election results hours earlier than we have in the past. In addition, the possibility of human error will be all but eliminated," Mrs. Crump commented. "The board would like to express appreciation to County Manager Glenwood Newsome for expediting the delivery of the machines, and we would also like to thank those progressive thinking county commissioners who voted in favor of getting them."

A training session will be held two weeks prior to the election for those precinct officials who will be operating the machines. In addition, a (Continued on page 11)

### Time To Report

Jurors for the October 4 civil term of Warren County Superior Court are to report for duty at 2:30 p. m. on Monday, October 4.

## Enforcement Program Collection Rate Is High

North Carolina's Child Support Enforcement program collected over \$21.5 million in child support payments during fiscal year 1981-82, and \$263,381 of this amount was collected in Warren County, according to Mrs. Elizabeth Harris, child support supervisor with the Warren County Department of Social Services.

Statewide, the collections represented a significant increase over the \$15.1 million collected the previous year.

Child Support Enforcement is a national program established by Congress to help recoup a portion of the money spent by federal, state and county governments to provide monthly financial payments to families with dependent children. It ensures that responsible parents support their children to the extent that they are able.

In Warren County, \$4.33 was collected for every \$1 spent by the county, and the total returned to the county was \$25,584.

"Since its beginning in August 1975, the program has made considerable progress in establishing child support payments for children receiving monthly public assistance under the Aid to Families with Dependent Children (AFDC) program, and other low-income children not receiving AFDC benefits," N. C.

Department of Human Resources secretary, Dr. Sarah Morrow, said. She said all recipients of AFDC, whose eligibility is based upon the absence from the home of at least one parent, must assign to the state all rights to child support. The state then collects the support money and retains it to offset the amount expended for AFDC as a result of parental absence. The program is also available to some low-income families not receiving AFDC payments.

In Warren County, the collections for August 1982 were \$26,038.20, the largest amount collected for the county since the program began operation, according to Mrs. Harris.

Support payments collected for AFDC children are divided by all three levels of government based on the percentage they pay for the AFDC program. During 1981-82, state and county governments in North Carolina received 16 percent of the support payments collected through the program. The federal government's share was 68 percent.

During 1981-82 fiscal year, the N. C. Child Support Enforcement program located over 22,000 absent parents through its nationwide parent-locator system and established almost 12,000 support payments.

In addition to

reducing the tax burden for welfare costs, the program has the social benefits of strengthening parent-child relationships, establishing paternity for children born out-of-wedlock, and increasing parents' sense of responsibility for their children," Dr. Morrow said.

The caseload in Warren County in the child support area is 576 AFDC absent parents, and 205 non-AFDC absent parents. By state law, there must be one worker for every 350 cases.



Carriage Fuel and Oil Co. proved last week that one person's trash is another person's treasure. One of their trucks was hired to take 38,000 pounds of potatoes from a farm in Massachusetts to a cannery in Pennsylvania. The cannery rejected the potatoes because they were too large. Meridon Cooper, the driver, was told to take them to a dump. Instead, he brought them back to Warren County where they were distributed last Friday by himself and Jerry Glasgow on a first-come, first-served basis at the County Social Services Department. The department bagged potatoes for those who couldn't pick them up, and others filled pick-up trucks and automobile trunks with the free find. The company absorbed the \$500 cost of bringing the potatoes to Warrenton. (Staff Photo)

## Protest Over PCB Continuing Here

Only one arrest was made Tuesday as Citizens Concerned About PCBs continued their protests against the state's placing PCB laden soil into a landfill in Warren County during a day marked by a march of some 75 marchers and a meeting in the courthouse last night.

Arrested Tuesday afternoon was Ken Ferruccio, president of the Citizens Concerned About PCB, was charged with impeding traffic after he stood in the middle of the road and tried to block trucks carrying PCB-tainted soil. It was the third time Ferruccio had been arrested and it brought the number of arrests to 393 since the clean-up began Sept. 15. He was released under \$1,000 bond.

In spite of protests trucks have continued to roll into the landfill with 434 loads placed in the landfill Monday, 408 on Tuesday and for a total on Tuesday night of 3284.

Wednesday morning highway patrolmen were on duty, trucks were coming into the landfill, and plans of the Concerned Citizens for the day were unknown, due to a change in strategy. Following a rally in the courthouse Tuesday night, leaders held a rally in a nearby private home to work out strategy.

At a meeting held at the John Graham Middle School on Sunday afternoon, William Sanjour, chief of the EPA's Hazardous Waste Implementation Branch, said "You are doing exactly the right thing."

Sanjour, who said he was not appearing on behalf of the EPA, told the crowd that no EPA approved landfill is safe, and that it was only a matter of time before the toxic

chemical would infiltrate ground-water...."

On Monday the protesters made their strongest effort to close down the Afton landfill. The efforts of the protesters

resulted in the arrests of 97 more adults and 17 juveniles. Included in the arrest Monday were congressional delegate Walter E. Fauntroy of the District of Columbia; Nelson Johnson, a

Communist Workers Party leader; Ann Shepherd, the only white and only woman among the Wilmington 10 imprisoned for fire-bombing a store in 1971; (Continued on page 14)



John Andrews, left, and Warren Postmaster Bruce Bell look over this year's offering of Christmas seals. The American Lung Association and the U. S. Postal Service have worked together for over 75 years in the fight against tuberculosis and other lung diseases, such as asthma, emphysema, lung cancer and chronic bronchitis.

## Christmas Seal Delivery Is Under Way In Warren

Postal employees have joined the American Lung Association to carry the message of hope to many as the traditional "Christmas Seals" are in the mail and on the way to Warren County homes. John Andrews of Warrenton, board member

of the American Lung Association's Tar River Region, this week encouraged local citizens to use these seals and tags on their Christmas mail and packages.

"Even though they will not suffice for your postage," Andrews said "they will be carrying

the message of hope for thousands of Americans who suffer from respiratory diseases."

Andrews said this year's seals are of a jolly Santa with a twinkle in his eyes.

"Just as children look for Santa with anticipation so will those with respiratory diseases as they see these seals and tags being used. For them, it is the anticipation of hope for a new breakthrough in the cause, treatment and hopefully, the cure of lung diseases."

He said "it's a matter of life and breath and we are asking that you remember your American Lung Association with a generous contribution this holiday season."

## Two Are Arrested Following Break-In

Two Halifax County men were scheduled to be given preliminary hearings in Warren County District Court today on charges stemming from the illegal entry of a Norlina convenience store last week.

Vernon Stansbury, 29, and Linwood Warrick, 21, both of Roanoke Rapids, were arrested in connection with the break-in which occurred at Bobby's Food Market in Norlina about 2:30 a. m. on September 21.

Halifax County authorities praised the alertness of two Warren County police officers in the apprehension of the two suspects.

"Officer Willie Alexander of the Norlina Police Department and Officer Lawrence Harrison of the Warrenton Police Department are to be commended for the manner in which they handled this investigation," Norlina

Police Chief Romey Williams said Tuesday in recounting events leading to the arrests.

He said Officer Alexander observed a car being driven in "a suspicious manner" on (Continued on page 14)

## Additional Cheese Available Locally

The Warren County Department of Social Services has received its fall shipment of United States Department of Agriculture surplus cheese.

"This has been high quality cheese and as in past it is sealed in plastic in loaves of five pounds each," Julian Farrar, Social Services director, said this week.

All current food stamp recipient households are eligible with no new

certification needed. Those households if interested may begin picking up their cheese immediately at the Social Services Office.

Other households may make application at the Social Services Office between 8:30 a. m. and 4:30 p. m. Certification will be made on the basis of family income up to 130 per cent of the poverty level, and liquid reserve held by the household not in excess of \$1500.