

## Perdue Purchases Additional Acres

The general warranty deed conveying 857.48 acres at Soul City to Perdue Industries was recorded at the office of the Warren County Register of Deeds on Monday.

The amount Perdue paid for the parcel was not a part of the public record.

Perdue, one of the nation's largest poultry firms, purchased 500 acres in the development in 1979.

The latest transaction brings the company's total acquisition to 1,357.48 acres.

Perdue's senior vice president and general manager of the broiler division, Tom Shelton, said in late August that there are no immediate

plans to build on the Soul City parcels. However, he further commented, "If we expand to the point of building a new plant, it will be at Soul City."

Perdue originally considered the Soul City site for a poultry complex that was expected to employ more than 1,000 people with an initial investment of \$20 million.

County Manager Glenwood Newsome said he considered the finalizing of the purchase a "step forward" for the county and expressed the wish that Perdue would build on the site, bringing more jobs into the county.

## Norlina Resident Injured By Truck

Mrs. Dolly Tucker of West Darden Street in Norlina was seriously injured Thursday when she was hit by a tractor-trailer truck while waiting to cross the street at the intersection of Hyco Street and U. S. 158 in Norlina.

According to Police Chief Roney Williams, Mrs. Tucker, 78, was hit by a truck belonging to Deitz Motor Lines and driven by Richard Dale Shook of Newton.

Shook, 31, has been charged with hit and run, leaving the scene of an accident, and driving on a street closed to trucks. However, Williams said Shook at the time he was apprehended on I-85 about six miles from the Vance County line was unaware that he had hit

a pedestrian.

Warren County Sheriff's Deputy Harold Seaman assisted Chief Williams in pursuing the truck, using a description provided by an eyewitness to the accident, Walter Sweeney, principal of Mariam Boyd Elementary School.

Mrs. Tucker was taken to Warren General Hospital and then transferred to N. C. Memorial Hospital at Chapel Hill with injuries to her right leg, arm and shoulder.

Williams said Sweeney's account indicated that as the truck made a right turn from Hyco Street onto U. S. 158, the end of the trailer whirled around and hit Mrs. Tucker, throwing her against the embankment.

## Civil Court Term Is Held This Week

Judge James A. Beaty of Winston-Salem presided over the October 4 civil session of Warren County Superior Court.

The majority of cases were continued for the term, and in other cases the following rulings were handed down:

Ernest Boyd Harris and wife, Anne T. Harris, vs. Larry Wilder and Melvin Lee Wilder, Wilder's Bros. and Richard's Spraying Service, Inc. vs. Grover Service Corp. (New York) and Chevron Chemical Company; stipulation of dismissal filed September 13.

Tony Hunt vs. Lillie Tanner, motion to dismiss for lack of jurisdiction allowed.

William E. Stack, T/A Stack Enterprises vs. William P. Bryant and wife, Doris T. Bryant; motion for summary judgment as to William P. Bryant for \$23,515.91 plus court cost plus 8 percent interest is allowed; motion for default judgment as to Doris T. Bryant for \$23,515.91 plus court cost plus 8 percent interest is allowed.

vs. Chester Randolph McCall; ready for default judgment.

Carlotta Hopkins vs. William Mason, Jr., Earl Ray Mason; voluntary dismissal filed October 4.

Tony Hunt vs. Lillie Tanner; case dismissed on motions.

## Carwash Scene Of Theft Try

Jack's Carwash on Rooker Street in Norlina was the scene of an attempted burglary Monday around 6:10 a. m., according to Norlina Police Chief Roney Williams.

Sgt. James Champion of the Norlina Police Department was on routine patrol when he spotted a subject fleeing into the wooded area near the carwash.

Sgt. Champion gave pursuit, but was unable to apprehend him.

When Sgt. Champion returned to the carwash, he found the money box lying on the ground, unopened.

Williams said the case is still under investigation, but there are no suspects.



Smokey the Bear meets with students of Mariam Boyd Elementary School on Tuesday to discuss fire safety. The well known bear was accompanied to the school by a firetruck and two Warrenton

rural firemen — Capt. Walter Gardner and John Blalock. Their appearance was sponsored by the Warrenton Junior Woman's Club to call attention to Fire Prevention Week. (Staff Photo)

## No Arrests Made Tuesday As PCB Storage Nears End

For the first time in several days, no arrests were made at the Afton landfill Tuesday. About 50 protesters gathered briefly at Coley Springs Church and marched toward the site but made no efforts to block trucks entering the landfill as they had before. However, a meeting was again held at the Warren County Courthouse by Citizens Concerned About PCBs on Tuesday night, who vow to continue the fight.

Following a number of arrests in both Vance and Warren counties last Friday, the Concerned Citizens held a gospel sing at the John Graham athletic field on Sunday afternoon in an effort to raise funds for their protests. Some 200 citizens are reported to have attended the singing. The amount of funds raised was not revealed.

The meeting Sunday preceded Monday's march billed as the greatest to date with school children, and college students from the University of North Carolina, Duke University, and East Carolina University participating.

About 330 marchers left Coley Springs Baptist Church at noon Monday, then split into five groups seeking to block trucks at various places.

Thirty-nine juveniles and 44 adults, including the Rev. Joseph Lowery, president of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, were arrested Monday while trying to block trucks carrying PCB-laced soil into the Afton landfill.

Lowery, Ken Ferruccio, leader of Warren County Citizens Concerned About PCBs, and Fred Chavis, field secretary for the SCLC, were among those charged with impeding traffic. Bonds for most of those arrested were set at \$200, but Ferruccio, arrested for the fifth time for blocking the trucks, faced a \$1500 bond, and Lowery, arrested for the second time, faced a \$500 bond. All were out on bond Tuesday.

Highway patrolmen protecting the trucks have made nearly 500 arrests in about three weeks of protests at the dump. Children

as young as four years old were arrested while lying on N.C. 1604 Monday in an effort to keep the trucks from entering the landfill. Eyewitnesses said they were directed by adults in what organizers termed a "Students March."

Juveniles arrested for the first time were released to their parents, but officials said repeaters would be charged as adults and go through the juvenile court system.

By Tuesday the state had scooped contaminated soil from most of the 210 miles of the highways were PCBs were dumped in 1978. With the Warren County landfill for PCB-laden soil nearly full, two state scientists dug six holes Tuesday for soil samples to find out how toxic the site is.

Amid the roar of bulldozers and dumptrucks, they were joined by two leaders of protests by county residents against the landfill.

The state tests were required by federal environmental regulations as a part of monitoring the landfill. Results should be available within a week, said Thomas Karniski, and engineer in the soil and hazardous waste branch of the N. C. Department of Crime Control and Public Safety.

The protest leaders were taking some of the same test borings to a chemist for private analysis to verify the state results.

With the clean-up along state highways practically complete, a private contractor is scheduled to begin moving other PCB-contaminated soil from Fort Bragg to the Warren County landfill today, said William W. Phillips, assistant to the secretary of crime control and public safety. The state contractor will be allowed 15 days to place the soil in the landfill, after which it will be capped.

The state is allowing the federal government to use 23 percent of the landfill's capacity to store 9,300 cubic yards of PCB-contaminated soil from along 11 miles of road at the base.

Under a contract signed Tuesday, the government agreed to pay the state \$129,000 to use the facility.

Phillips said the state expects to spend \$2.8 million on the clean-up.

Phillips said the Warren County landfill was designed to hold the soil from Fort Bragg as well as soil from state highways, but the state held off signing the contract to make sure the state's problem was cleared up first.

The following adults were arrested on October 4 at the PCB landfill in the Afton

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## Plat Accepted By Local Board

In its regular session last Thursday, the Warren County Planning Commission accepted the final plat for River Forest Subdivision in River Township on Lake Gaston, subject to the inspection by the zoning administration and Warren County Health Department. The final plat, presented by Bob Harris and John T. Nelson, Jr., showed 25 building lots.

John McAdams of Chapel Hill presented a preliminary map for West Eaton's Ferry Estates showing 46 lots. The map was approved and the developer was advised that the owner, Gerald R. Brock, could begin surveying and staking of lots.

Also plats for two lots owned by E. B. Matthews received tentative approval.

## In Hospital

Patients in Warren General Hospital on Tuesday afternoon were listed as follows:

Allen Liles, Jake Seward, John Rooker, Thomas Fleming, Ruth Reams, Arnie Lloyd, Oia Taylor, Pattie Hollowell, Sallie Drumgold, Sarah Mayle, Christine Watkins, Martha Bullock.

## Radio Alarm System Will Be Used Here

Oscar "Butch" Meek and Walter Gardner, representing the Warren County Rural Volunteer Firemen Association, appeared before the county commissioners Monday morning to reveal plans to switch the present telephone alarm system from telephone to radio system.

Accompanying Meek and Gardner were Frank Howard, salesman for Motorola Company from Fayetteville and Don Cahoon, of Nashville, executive with the Motorola Company. Meek acted as spokesman. He explained that the change in method would not only eliminate some \$7,500 each year in telephone bills, but would result in quicker and more efficient operation of the rural fire departments.

Under the new plan, which Meek said it is hoped would be in service by January 1, fire calls from individuals would be transmitted to the Warrenton Fire Department over a single 7-digit number, where it would automatically call the nearest firehouse, and at the same time while sounding the fire station alarm would notify all the firemen in the county equipped with "Beeps." Under the present arrangement fire calls are phoned to the Warrenton station, where they are manually transferred to fire stations.

The system, which will cost some \$83,000, will be purchased under a lease-purchase agreement by the Firemen's Association, without additional help from the county, Meek said.

The commissioners also certified that the county would provide financial assistance to the Roanoke-Wildwood Fire Department, a requirement of certification that they are prepared to cover a four-mile range of fire calls.

The commissioners adopted an ordinance for management of its solid waste system, proving penalties of a \$50 fine and/or 30 days in jail for blocking egress by dumping such solid waste in the path to and from dumpsters and for removing articles from such dumpsters.

The board tabled a proposed amendment to a zoning ordinance because of a change in the map of the zones and need for further study by the commissioners.

The commissioners decided to reject all bids for octennial revaluation and to have Mrs. Grady Haynes, tax supervisor, advertise for new bids.

The board instructed the county manager to advertise for bids for a new car to be used by the county manager. Chairman Harris explained that the county manager had been using a car provided by the industrial commission,

which would no longer be available following a proposal to split the duties of county manager and industrial director.

Bids for laboratory supplies and other equipment for the waste water sewage plant were accepted as follows:

- (1) Laboratory supplies and equipment: (a) Fisher Scientific Company, Inc., \$18,333.52, accepted; Cuiton Matheron Scientific Co., \$21,690.71.
- (2) Sludge handling

equipment skid steer loader (a) Case Power and Equipment Company, \$6,438.64; Tri-angle Equipment Company, \$5,305.97, accepted; N. C. Equipment Company, \$6,178.00.

(3) Three-fourths ton truck, Boyd Chevrolet, Henderson, \$7,969.42, accepted.

(4) Mini-dump attachment: (a) Mini-Dump Corporation, \$1,839.80, accepted.

## Lloyd Resigns

## Water Problems Aired At Session

Water problems dominated a stormy session of the Norlina Town Board Monday night, climaxed by the unexpected resignation of a veteran board member.

Commissioner Ben Lloyd waited until adjournment to announce his immediate resignation because, in part, of what he claimed was favoritism on the part of the board. He said he had not been a part of this policy in the past.

Saying that health reasons also entered into his decision to make Monday night's meeting his final one, Lloyd did not elaborate on the charge of favoritism. He had been a member of the five-man board for the past seven years.

Norlina Mayor Kenneth Davis, contacted Tuesday afternoon, said he expected no replacement for Lloyd to be chosen until after the board's November meeting.

Lloyd's resignation came after more than an hour's discussion of town business which was devoted almost exclusively to water matters.

Sinclair White appeared before the board in behalf of his son and daughter-in-law over what they claimed was excessive water bills.

He said a water line had been broken for six weeks at his son Marvin's house and that water bills had run as high as \$75 a month while the town did not make needed repairs.

"I have tried for four to five weeks to get the leak fixed," White told the board.

Commissioner Jimmy Overby said it wasn't White's fault that James Boyd of the Water Department could not find time to fix the leak, and Commissioner John Dore soon proposed that \$50 of the excessive water bill be refunded. That met with unanimous approval of the board.

The second water problem surfaced minutes later when it was noted that Lee Williams, a town resident, had not paid his water bill for two months and that his water had been cut off despite a decision of the town board in September to repair a leak on the line leading to Williams' property.

Commissioner Overby said the board had been over-ruled by the mayor and observed that "we don't cut off water if the leak was the town's fault."

Board Attorney Jules Banzet told that board that at the request of the mayor that he had done "a tremendous amount of research" in trying to determine whether the line

in question was the property of Williams or the town. He said he had found nothing indicating who put in the line, which has been run through three water meters in years past.

Banzet concluded that if the line was the town's property, and that he had found nothing to indicate that it was not, then the town had the legal responsibility to repair the leak.

Commissioner William Leonard made a motion to run a new two-inch line down Rose Street to the Williams property line provided assessments could be obtained. That motion met with unanimous agreement.

Commissioners also approved a suggestion by Mrs. Mae Gums, town clerk, that Williams' water bills for the preceding 12 months be averaged to compute the proper water bill for the months in which the leak drove up water prices. That decision, too, met with the board's unanimous approval.

Echoing the sentiments of at least one Norlina resident who complained of the condition of town streets, Commissioner Overby urged the board to fix potholes in the streets before the start of winter.

Tim Thomas of W. H. Phillips, Henderson accounting firm, appeared before the board to give highlights of the annual audit report, which showed that the town books were "in excellent shape." Thomas offered bookkeeping suggestions, and he urged that all adjustments in town bills be brought before the attention of the full board.

The board voted to give J. T. Harris a two month extension of his contract to provide work on the town's water system.

James Jones appeared before the board to complain that an access road leading past his home had not been scraped monthly as promised by the board, and he was given renewed assurances that the road repair would be done once monthly. James Boyd told commissioners he had not scraped the road in September because he did not have time, but that he scraped the road in August, a statement which was disputed by Jones.

Commissioner Leonard reported that the Police Department had made 28 arrests in September, had recovered one stolen vehicle and had solved one break-in.

Commissioner James Vaughan reported that the Norlina Fire Department responded in six alarms in September — two in town, two outside town and two mutual aid calls.