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Peace Now Needed

Lacking one day of seven weeks when Highway Patrolmen moved a bus command post to Warrenton as the state's answer to Citizens Concerned About PCB's threat to block PCB-laden soil from being placed into a landfill at Afton, the post has been removed and the street cleared on Tuesday morning.

It has been a trying and hectic time for citizens of Warren County, for both those who marched, resisted, were arrested with few being found guilty, and for those who did not.

There is, of course, no absolute guarantee that the Afton landfill will not leak in a world of few

certainties, but we can only hope that PCB bonded to dirt will not, and if it does it will not flow through water supplies. If leakage is found we can only hope that it will be promptly corrected by the state.

Meanwhile, Concerned Citizens should have made their point, and have let a good part of the world know that Warren County did not welcome this landfill, and certainly wants no more.

Having done this, it is to be hoped that protesters will realize that what Warren County needs is peace and time to carry on other needed work.

Funds Cut Hurting

The Southern Pines Pilot

Two reports in this week's issue of The Pilot cite the reduction in federal funds as having an effect on services provided by the Department of Social Services.

One report points to the termination of Medicaid to more than 20 percent of the recipients in Moore County, and another says that volunteers are being sought to provide services to offset the cutbacks.

There are several other areas in which the cutback of federal funds will be affected in Moore County, and this can be multiplied all across the state of North Carolina.

Recently the North Carolina Center for Public Policy Research reported that this state has lost \$241 million in federal funds due to budget cuts since October 1, 1981.

The full impact of these cuts is yet to be felt, but they are tremendous.

The Center for Public Policy Research breaks down some of the cuts in that \$241 million total for North Carolina, and they include the following:

—\$41.7 million in federal aid to highways, with construction projects slowed considerably or eliminated entirely.

—\$31.3 million in employment and job training programs, with 8,079 participants lost in public service jobs.

—\$28.2 million in child nutrition,

including school lunch and breakfast, which means 102,000 fewer North Carolina children participating in the lunch program and 48,000 fewer children in the breakfast program.

—\$27.6 million (including federal share of \$16.9 million) in Medicaid funds, which limits drug prescriptions affecting 21,442 persons, and limits on visits to physicians and clinics affecting 12,161 persons.

—\$16.6 million in construction grants, with substantial reduction in completion of water and sewer facilities projects; 26 out of 70 projects will not receive federal funds.

—\$14.4 million for Social Services, reduced service in day-care, training, etc.

—\$9.1 million in Food Stamps, which means 7,111 persons lost food stamp benefits and 81,767 persons had benefits reduced.

—\$8.8 million in youth training and work experience funds, an estimated 8,651 youth lost employment and training opportunities.

—\$8 million for Employment Service program, which meant fewer persons aided in job placement.

These losses in federal funds have not been made up by the state and local governments, and it is not likely that they will be in the near future. That means that govern-

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A Remarkable Incident

By BIGNALL JONES

Many years ago, long before Littleton became a part of Halifax County, there worked out of our neighboring town a rural mail carrier whose name I still remember but will not reveal. In those days, weekly newspapers were often short on news but long on personals. The Warren Record was no exception. Often when in Warrenton this young mail carrier would drop by to tell us that ———, the polite and friendly mail carrier from Littleton was a visitor in Warrenton this week.

The peculiarities of persons are soon forgotten and it has been years since I have thought of the "polite and friendly mail carrier from Littleton." But I was reminded of it when F. P. Whitley, who might well be described as the "polite and friendly mail carrier" of Warrenton, came into our office and while here related an incident that occurred to him while he and Mrs. Whitley were visiting in Germany during September.

He said that one day he saw a couple of American soldiers and "being a former soldier," he said, "Hurrah for the Army," and engaged the young men in conversation. "Where are you boys from?" he asked. One of them replied, "From North Carolina," and when asked from where in North Carolina replied, "Arcola."

The young soldier revealed himself as Bobby Richardson, son of the late Herbert and Lucille Richardson.

Whitley said he thought it remarkable that of the more than 100,000 American soldiers stationed in Germany, of the two to whom he spoke one lived on his Rt. 3, Warrenton, where he had delivered mail to the family for many years.

It was a remarkable incident and we appreciated F. P. telling us about it.

Writing about the use of personal mentions in The Warren Record, I am reminded and will re-tell incidents connected with this practice. For many years, Miss Maggie Pierce who worked for Joblin's store, corner of Main and Macon Streets, where Harry Cohen for many years operated a store before moving to Florida, and where Mr. and Mrs. Macon Weyms now operate a flower shop, furnished us each week a rather long list of those who traveled to and from Warrenton. At the same time the mail was bringing us letters containing Afton Items, Elberon Items, Inez Items, Creek Items, Arcola Items, Marmaduke Items, Macon Items, Churchill Items, Wise Items, Ridgeway Items, and actually at times, Warren Plains Items, and many others.

The persons who gathered these items were known as Country Correspondents, and were given a free subscription to The Warren Record in payment. Some of these correspondents I remember and a few will now occasionally report items from their com-

munities, but practically all of them were victims of good roads and the automobiles which made travel commonplace.

I don't remember who served as our Inez correspondent, or whether it was the Inez correspondent who enlightened her contributions with highly personal items. She would, for instance, report that "Mr. John Smith called on Miss Rosa Littleton on Sunday afternoon," and would conclude this action of romance with the sentence "Listen for the wedding bells," followed by an exclamation point.

One of our correspondents, I can't remember from which community, reported that Mrs. ——— was a visitor in Baltimore last week "where she bought herself a tombstone for her late husband."

For many years Mrs. W. A. Connell lived

about midway between Warren Plains and Warrenton, hardly more than a mile out. She was greatly interested in the religious, civic and social life of the town and frequently drove a horse hitched to a buggy to Warrenton. Sometimes we would have a space to fill and I would go down the street and try to find out who had been in town. Often I would remember that I had seen Mrs. Connell driving into town, and would return to the office and write "Mrs. W. A. Connell of Warren Plains was a visitor in Warrenton Thursday."

One day Mrs. Connell reminded me that her frequent visits to Warrenton were hardly newsworthy. That was true enough, but then as now circulation was built on names, but now more than a visit is required, particularly when space is at a premium.

from HISTORY'S SCRAPBOOK DATES AND EVENTS FROM YESTERYEARS

November 11, 1647—Massachusetts requires every town of 50 house-holders to employ a teacher, and every town of 100 families to establish a grammar school.

November 12, 1933—Nazi party received 92 percent of vote in German elections.

November 13, 1849—Proposed constitution for California, making it a "free" state, ratified by popular vote.

November 14, 1851—Harper and Brothers in New York City publish Herman Melville's novel "Moby Dick."

November 15, 1939—President Franklin D. Roosevelt lays cornerstone of Jefferson Memorial in Washington, D.C.

November 16, 1952—United States publicly announces test explosion of first hydrogen bomb, at Eniwetok Atoll in the Pacific.

November 17, 1800—Congress convenes in Washington, D.C. for the first time.



Mrs. McClintoch, left, and Mrs. Simms

Two New Staff Additions Made

Med Visit, Inc., a privately owned home health care program offering the addition of two new staff members.

Ms. Maggie McClintoch, RN, has been appointed director of Professional Services effective November 1. Ms. McClintoch is a registered nurse and currently resides in Chapel Hill. She has been involved in home health care services in Orange County as the former director of the Home Health Agency of Chapel Hill and in Detroit, Mich. as a staff nurse for the Visiting Nurse Association.

Ms. McClintoch will be responsible for developing and overseeing patient care services offered by Med Visit.

Mrs. Patsy Simms joined the Med Visit team October 6 as bookkeeper. Mrs. Simms and her husband, Billy, reside in Henderson. She is a

graduate of Dabney High School and attended Louisburg College where she received a one-year business certificate.

Mrs. Simms has worked for the Henderson law firm of Zollicoffer and Zollicoffer, and was employed for 21 years by Laurens Glass Co. She and her husband are members of Poplar Creek Baptist Church.



If a man has come to the point where he is so content that he says: "I do not want to know any more, or do any more or be any more," he is in a state in which he ought to be changed into a mummy.

-Henry Ward Beecher

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News Of 10, 25, 40 Years Ago

Looking Back Into The Record

Nov. 6, 1942

With only about one voter in five going to the polls, Warren County cast the lightest vote in the memory of county officials with the voters giving the stamp of approval to all nominees, approving the constitutional amendment for the State Board of Election, and defeating the amendment providing for solicitor districts.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Gardner observed their 67th wedding anniversary in their home on Nov. 2. Their children entertained them at a dinner party on Monday evening.

A total of \$6,500 was raised from the sale of War Bonds and Stamps at the carnival held at the Armory last Friday evening under the sponsorship of the Warren

County Service Club and under the management of Assistant County Agent R. S. Smith, Miss Eleanor Barber, home demonstration agent, and Woodrow Shearin, president of the club.

Nov. 8, 1957

Warren County commissioners are considering the idea of having Warren County property revalued for taxation purpose by an outside appraisal firm.

The Norlina Junior Woman's Club was awarded the Lilly Wood Silver Bowl at the 14th District Woman's Club meeting held recently in Warrenton.

Mrs. C. L. Hege entertained at two tables of bridge at her home on North Street on Tuesday evening. Guest player was Mrs. Leigh

Traylor.

Nov. 9, 1972

Warrenton has a new town manager — its third of the year — with the employment of Howard F. Oakley, a businessman who has lived here for the past eight years.

Roy P. Robertson, past president of the Warren County Jaycees, was presented the Blue Chip Award for the 1971-72 year at the regular meeting of the Jaycees at the Lions Den on Thursday night of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Truett Callihan and children of Winder, Ga. and Mrs. Selma Rooker were Saturday overnight guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Tingle in Richmond, Va., where a surprise birthday dinner was arranged for Mrs. Rooker.