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Congratulations In Order

The dedication of Warren Nursing Center on Sunday afternoon means that for the first time Warren County citizens can be treated in a nursing center near their own homes, close to their families and among their friends.

The pluses are many and include a beautifully landscaped 100-bed center resting on a 10.5-acre knoll of U. S. 401-158 between Warrenton and Norlina, and built at a cost of \$1,500,000. The facility for skilled and intermediate nursing care will be managed by The Autumn Corporation, a Rocky Mount firm that owns and operates seven nursing homes in Virginia and North Carolina.

The location of this facility should strengthen the county-owned Warren General Hospital and prove an additional cause in bringing other facilities to our county. The boost to our economy should be what may be expected from the additional

employment of approximately 100 full-time and part-time staff creating a payroll of \$750,000 annually and an operating budget of \$1,250,000.

Not only was the nursing facility made possible by the dream, leadership and hard work of R. L. "Red" Williams and his wife, Hazel, and Joe Lennon, Warren County health director but by the scores of Warren County businesses and other citizens who for many months battled to obtain a permit to build a 100-bed nursing center in Warren County. Because of this county-wide effort, as well as its ability to perform a badly needed service for our people, one is justified in feeling that Warren Nursing Center will win a place in the hearts of our citizens similar to that held by the Warren General Hospital and the Warren County Memorial Library, also built on dreams and hard work and community effort.

The Green Case

The Southern Pines Pilot

When the indictments were brought against Lt. Gov. Jimmy Green and the surreptitiously obtained transcripts of tapes of conversations were published there were real doubts about the validity of these indictments.

As the trial of the Lieutenant Governor on bribery charges progressed and the tapes of conversations between Green and an undercover FBI agent were played in the courtroom, it became obvious that there was no real evidence against the defendant.

One juror said after the trial, Lt. Gov. Green may have used "bad judgment" but he was not on trial for that. The verdicts of "not guilty" on all four charges brought against Green were not unexpected.

There is a question, however, which follows the acquittal of Lt. Gov. Green and the conclusion of the

base in Wake County Superior Court, and that question is why the state accepted the weak evidence and the questionable tactics of the FBI and brought the indictments in the first place.

There have been two trials charging bribery against state officials—State Senator R. C. Soles was the other—in which questionable evidence brought forward by the FBI has been used, and both trials ended in acquittals.

This should say something to the FBI and the state authorities who accepted their story, but it doesn't say enough. It should be made clear that it is not acceptable for a federal agency to engage in entrapment, and indeed create crime itself.

Enforcement of the law should be as above-board as the law itself. That should be a basic American principle.

Ruckelshaus Makes Splash

In The News and Observer

A few rah-rahs for William D. Ruckelshaus are in order. The Environmental Protection Agency administrator has begun to reverse the proposals of his predecessor, Anne M. Gorsuch Burford, that would have weakened national water quality standards.

The decision against permitting states to set lower goals for the cleanup of stream pollution suggests that Ruckelshaus intends to bring the Reagan administration's policies more in balance with the people's environmental concerns.

Governor Hunt protested vigorously last February when Mrs. Burford floated her proposal to abandon national water-pollution standards in favor of state standards. Her thing couldn't have been worse. North Carolina's coastal waters, polluted by sewage and chemicals, had just been closed to oyster and clam fishing.

Adoption of the Burford recommendations would have made no sense under the Clean Water Act of 1972. The aim of that law is to restore the nation's water to a fishable and swimmable condition. Permitting water quality to be set on a state-by-state basis again would renew competition among states to attract industry by dropping standards.

Ruckelshaus served three years as EPA's first director. Back in his old

job, it didn't take him long to see that the revisionist Burford rules were an environmental backslide. The agency under Mrs. Burford already had softened regulations so that localities could reduce their treatment of discharged sewage. Going further, by permitting states to allow even more industrial and municipal discharges into streams, would have turned environmental progress on its face.

Of all federal agencies, EPA should lead the rousers for strictest water-pollution standards at the state level. Instead, over the past three years, the agency has spent more time in trying to gut laws and regulations than in enforcing them. That's the reason for the huzzahs for Ruckelshaus on the water-quality rules.

Be Sure To Marry

By all means marry. If you get a good wife, you will become very happy; if you get a bad one, you will become a philosopher — and that is good for any man. — Socrates.

Disuse Valuable

Influence is like a savings account. The less you use it, the more you've got. — Andrew Young.

Viewing Big-Time Football

By BIGNALL JONES

The first college football game I ever attended was in the fall of 1918 when I was a member of the Students Army Training Corps at Chapel Hill, long before the college game had become a semi-professional sport. Only a few thousand attended games at the old Emerson Field, which we also used as a drill field until the Armistice was signed on Nov. 11, 1918, and my days as a U. S. soldier ended.

For several years in the twenties, we attended games on this field, and at the same time Wake Forest College held its games on a small field in Wake Forest, in easy driving distance of Warrenton. No games were played under lights, and there was no big time football played in the state. I remember one Saturday afternoon in the early twenties when Henry House was a student at the University, Yale scheduled a game with UNC. The score was Yale 60, UNC 2, and I remember we were proud of that safety which enabled us to score on mighty Yale.

In the late twenties the Kenan family donated funds for the building of beautiful Kenan Stadium, with a seating capacity of around 35,000, I think. Through the years the seating capacity of the stadium was gradually increased, and on the past Saturday afternoon, 53,000 spectators were crowded into Kenan Stadium to watch a big-time college football game. Plans are being considered to increase the seating capacity of the stadium to around 70,000. In the race for bigness, several college stadiums have a seating capacity of around and over 100,000. Most of these have lighted fields, and several of those have enclosed fields with air conditioning. There are still no lights at Kenan Stadium, but we alumni in the twenties and thirties were not deterred by heat, cold, snow or rain.

Big time football came to North Carolina in around 1928, I think it was, when Carolina employed Chuck Collins of Notre Dame as its head coach. That fall Chuck Collins, who had been coached as a linesman by Knute Rockne, did not show up alone, but with a team made up largely of Notre Dame football players. I remember that he had three backfields he would substitute as a unit, and that they had a familiarity with the forward pass. Never again until the days of Charley Justice and Art Weiner was Carolina to show such winning ways.

But Duke, unwilling to play second fiddle, employed Wallace Wade as coach and became a football power, one year being undefeated, untied and unscored on and going to the Rose Bowl. Soon other schools began hiring big-name coaches, increasing scholarships, and playing big-name schools from all over the country, and North Carolina college graduates in increasing number began playing for professional teams at fabulous salaries.

Football play in the high schools also

showed marked improvement, which was reflected in improvement in the caliber of college players, as well as a growing interest in the sport, with many adults attending college games on Saturday afternoon and watching professional teams on Sunday afternoons and Monday night. It is a lot of fun, but it certainly interferes with other things.

For several years Howard and I purchased season tickets, but as I grew old, my sight began to grow worse, entering and leaving the stands more difficult, and the walking from stadium to car more difficult. Also growing more oppressive was the heat of early fall. In 1982 I decided that I had better not buy season tickets in 1983, principally due to difficulty of seeing plays. Howard had begun to find the heat more oppressive, and so for the first time in perhaps 20 years we did not buy tickets in advance.

About five weeks ago, Hugh Holt decided not to go to the game because of the extreme heat and gave Howard his two tickets. The seats were on the north side, and much more accessible than our previous south side seats, and Carolina won. But the sun became so hot that we left at halftime.

The past Saturday, Hugh again decided not to attend the game and again offered his tickets to Howard, who accepted. Saturday promised no hot day, and I consented to go with anticipation. As we left for Chapel Hill at 10 a. m. Saturday with Grace and Ann, who shopped and did not attend the game, I was certain that I had on enough clothes to stay warm in the sun and to walk without feeling burdensome.

When we reached the stadium, the wind came up and the sun went under a cloud. I was seated next to a spectator from near Charleston, S. C., arrayed in Clemson colors. He sat next to a man about the same age, but wearing no colors. As the game progressed, I learned from their cheers that the second man was a Carolina fan. That greatly simplified my following of the plays, as when Clemson made a

good gain, the Clemson fan would shout, and when Carolina gained or Clemson lost, the Carolina fan would shout. Unfortunately for me, the Clemson fan did the most shouting, as Carolina lost to visiting Clemson as usual, but only worse. Usually we had lost only by a point or two, but Saturday we only scored three points, while Clemson was scoring three field goals and one touchdown, for a total of 16 points. I can not remember ever seeing a Carolina team being held without a touchdown. And that would be a sad way for me to end my visits to Kenan Stadium. But as the late Lunsford Long said in a moment of adversity, "There will always be another year." However, I reflected that basketball would be underway in a few weeks, and indications are that we have a good basketball team, but not yet rated third in the nation.

In spite of our team's loss, the journey was very pleasant. From the amount of leaves on the ground, one would be led to believe that the trees would be mostly bare. But such was not the case. The trees from here to the Vance County line still showed magnificent colors with little diminution, and were still pretty all the way to Chapel Hill and back, but on I-85, and parts of Route 15, trees were growing too close to the rights-of-way to show views of distant hills with masses of colors.

American Viewpoints



For of all sad words of tongue or pen, the saddest are these: "It might have been!"
John Greenleaf Whittier

Fast Growing

Giant kelp, found in the cool coastal waters of the Pacific, Atlantic, and Indian Oceans, may grow as tall as 20-story buildings. One of the fastest growing plants in the world, it can increase in height by up to 2 feet a day. National Geographic World reports.

Warren County Schools SURPLUS PROPERTY SALE

Saturday, November 12, 1983

10:00 A.M. - 2:00 P.M.

School Bus Garage, Warren Plains

- 1-1968 Chevrolet Pick-up Truck
- 1-1973 Dodge 4-door Sedan
- 1-Mobile Cement Mixer
- 3-21" Black and White Television Receivers
- 1-22" Dishwasher
- 1-Hardwick Gas Range
- 2-40" Electric Ranges
- 2-Upright Planos
- 1-Singer Electric Sewing Machine
- 1-Delta Sanding Machine (upright floor model)
- 1-Delta Jointer
- 5-5' Cast Iron Bath Tubs
- 1-4 1/2' Cast Iron Bath Tub
- 2-18" x 24" Wall Medicine Cabinets w/mirror
- 3-22" x 26" Porcelain Lavatories
- 7-Commodore w/ink
- 2-Utility Sinks
- 1-Through Water Fountain
- 7-Oil Heaters
- 3-250 gal. Oil Storage Drums
- 2-Drum Storage Racks
- 1-5' Side Blade Hay Mower w/attachments
- 1-54" Tractor Blade
- 1-Wilson "Bumblebee" Electric Welder

ADDITIONALLY, these new items will be sold as supply lasts (cash and carry):
2-dz-20" Hand Shovels..... \$2.00 each
2 dz-6" Stove Pipe Dampers..... \$2.00 each

All items sold "as are" to the highest bidder. Sealed bids received from 10:00 a.m. - 2 p.m. Items on display beginning at 9:00 a.m. Successful bidders will be notified by telephone on Monday, November 14, 1983. Items must be paid for and picked-up within 5 work days after bid acceptance. PLUS OTHER UNADVERTISED SPECIALS!!



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