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## Good Leadership Available

Robert Kotal, a ham radio operator, who with his wife recently moved to Warrenton, was listening to his radio on Sunday afternoon when he picked up a message that the people of Maxton were without food as the result of being struck by a tornado on the previous Wednesday night.

He called Monroe Gardner, a town leader, told him of the plight of the people of Maxton, and asked his help in getting food to them. Gardner called on the Lions Club, largest civic club in the county, the Jaycee Club and the Warrenton Junior Woman's Club for assistance. They went to IGA Store, told the management of their problem and asked for a donation, which was freely given.

Gardner said that a number of other people learning of the plight of Maxton had donated money. They bought enough materials to make sandwiches for 1,200 persons and loaded it in Kotal's truck. Kotal drove the truck to Maxton, where he turned the food over to the Maxton town manager for distribution.

The Town of Warrenton owes a debt of gratitude to Robert Kotal for the way he responded to a call for help which reflects to the credit of our town. It would have been easy for him to say he wished he could do something about it and to have sent a small check to the people of Maxton. Fortunately, he knew the people of Maxton needed help as he listened. He called upon civic leaders of Warrenton for help and they responded. To make sure that this food reached the hungry of Maxton as quickly as possible, he had it loaded in his truck and drove to Maxton.

The people of Warrenton are generous and have a history of responding well to worthy causes when asked for help, but only when the leadership is provided. That leadership was provided on Sunday afternoon by Robert Kotal, who not only felt compassion for the hungry, but knew where to launch his appeal for help.

## Deadline Is Approaching

If citizens are to vote in the May Primary they must be registered. We call attention to the fact that Monday, April 9, is the deadline for registering for the primary.

Warren County voters, as well as others throughout North Carolina, will find they must decide on lengthy ballots in the May 8 primary. County, district, state and national offices will be at stake. All are important, as will be the General Assembly contests in the special primary of June 5.

## Teachers For Helms?

N.C.A.E. News Bulletin

A radio and television commercial which the Jesse Helms organization recently broadcast is not only misleading, it is just plain wrong.

The commercial quotes the "North Carolina Teachers Association," which ceased to exist in 1970, and claims to be paid for by "Teachers for Helms Committee," a group which, when it was first announced, included five persons, two of whom were not teachers.

Typically, the commercial hues to the negative. It attacks Jim Hunt, but it offers no solutions to the supposed ills it attempts to identify. Worse, by quoting an NCAE action, it leaves the impression with some of the uninformed that teachers in general really are supporting Helms.

Let the record show that NCAE-PACE is not supporting Senator Helms. And a better person should be able to feather the old family nest if he or she can find anyone who will bet money that NCAE-PACE will ever support Jesse Helms.

The Senator—and the Senator's organization—recognizes full well that teachers will not be in his camp. Why should they? Senator Helms has voted against federal support of public education, has supported a voucher system so parents can send their children to private schools, has opposed clamping down on tax deductions for schools which practice discrimination, and is forever creating mischief with his busing and school-prayer amendments.

The Senator didn't bother to be interviewed by NCAE or NEA on his views, noting in one letter that his agenda probably didn't fit "your left-wing" organization.

The Senator, of course, is entitled to his opinion and his agenda.

But spare us, please, from commercials that—even by implication—attempt to make Jesse Helms a friend of public schools. The record is abundant, and the record is clear. This is no friend of public education.

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## Mostly Personal

## Edward Bok's Monument

By BIGNALL JONES

Some six years ago the family left here on Christmas Day for a short visit with the Ral-fords in Rocky Mount before leaving for Florida by way of Charleston, S. C. While in Florida and visiting Disney World, I became ill and spent a night and a day in a hospital. As a result, I failed to visit the Bok Singing Tower in Florida, to the regret of my wife, who had years earlier read the autobiography of Edward Bok, which I was to read and review later in this column.

Since usually when we take a family trip I write it up in this column, our trip to Florida was no exception. But since I have written more than 300 columns since then, I was recently surprised when I fell into conversation with a young man on Main Street, who asked me if I had ever visited the Bok Tower in Florida, and spoke of other places he had visited. The young man was Tommy Burton of Oine, who said he would bring me a brochure of the Bok Tower. A few days ago he brought by our home not only descriptive literature of the Bok Tower, and a copy of Bok's autobiography, which I highly recommend, but also descriptive literature of Warm Springs in Georgia, Franklin D. Roosevelt's second home in Georgia where he spent much of his time and where he died.

We had been toying with the idea of visiting Florida for some time, but have not gotten around to it. Thanks to Tommy's thoughtfulness, when we do go, the Bok Tower will be the goal of returning to Florida, but we will also include Warm Springs on this trip. Since there is no certainty that we will be able to make the trip this year, I will sketch those two tourists attractions from the literature furnished by Tommy Burton, as follows:

The brochure of the Bok Tower given us by Tommy contains a map of the Mountain Lake Sanctuary with landscaped numbered paths and objects which furnishes a guide for the tourists. They are: 1. Entrance Plaque; 2. Lake Pierce Vista; 3. Reflection Pool (east side); 4. Japanese Lantern; 5. singing Tower; 6. Live Oak Grove and Views to Lake Wales and Mountain Lake; 7. Reflection Pool (west side); 8. Exedra and Western Overlook; 9. North Walk; 10. Pine Ridge Reserve; 11. Wildlife Pond and Window by the Pond; 12. Eastern Fern Path.

"Here all things are respected, all people are welcomed. Here is quiet awe, the day is measured by the light of early morning, noon and sunset. The hours are marked by music from the bells. Not only do the birds sing, but the fish in the moat and the dashing squirrels give a greeting. There is majesty alike in the clouds in the sky and in the lilies by the path. Both the Tower and a spider's web are masterful designs. This Sanctuary is a place. It may also be an experience to be cherished and long remembered."

Each of the numbered plaques, vistas and ob-

jects are described, but space is not available for such descriptions.

The first paragraph of the description of the Bronze Entrance Plaque is written as follows:

"As you walk up the main path from the bulletin board you will see a Key Largo stone with a bronze plaque saying that the Mountain Lake Sanctuary is Edward Bok's gift to the American people and is under their protection.

Others are: "In 1923 Edward Bok asked a landscape architect, Frederick Law Olmsted, Jr., to transform Iron Mountain from a sandy hill covered with pines and scrub palmetos into a sanctuary that would touch the soul with its beauty and quiet. Edward Bok decided to add a carillon tower like those remembered from his early childhood in the Netherlands. In 1929 the Singing Tower and the Sanctuary were dedicated by President Calvin Coolidge.

"Beyond the bronze plaque the left fork of the walks leads to a secluded LISTENING AREA where you will have a good view of the tower as you sit and listen to the Carillon bells."

Copying the above paragraphs from the Tourist Bulletin fills me with a longing to see and hear the bells and the beauty of the Tower and its surroundings. And still to be described is Roosevelt's Little White House, Warm Springs, Georgia. Visitors are welcomed and asked to bring their cameras. It is open every day of the year, from 9 to 5; weekends, June, July and August, 9 to 6.

The attractive bulletin, illustrated with many pictures, including the famous "Un-finished Portrait" of Roosevelt, buildings and furniture, reads in part as follows:

"Franklin D. Roosevelt, four times President of the United States, lived in many sumptuous residences, including his ancestral home Hyde Park and the White House in Washington, but in building for himself the kind of house he wanted, he built a very modest place. The Little White House, located on a beautiful site on the slopes of Pine Mountain, tells much of the nature of the man who played such an important role in the history of this country and of the world. It is an impressive home, but it is small, with comfort and utility stressed. Original plans were altered by Mr. Roosevelt to remove features he considered too elaborate, and the Little White House, with three bedrooms, has only an entry, a combination living and dining room, a kitchen and a spacious sun deck.

"During his entire time in office, Mr. Roosevelt used the Little White House frequently. He had come to Warm Springs first in 1924 to test its pools as an aid to recovery from infantile paralysis which struck him in 1921. Finding exercise in the warm buoyant waters beneficial, he became interested in developing the resort for others similarly afflicted, so the Georgia

Warm Springs Foundation and subsequent development of health facilities resulted from his own efforts. The site on which the Little White House stands was personally selected by Mr. Roosevelt during his early days at Warm Springs, and even before he built his house there, he used it for pic-nics. It is in a natural setting and Mr. Roosevelt permitted only essential landscaping."

The firemen extinguished the fire, of unknown origin, with water. Damage was not given in the firemen's report.

Nine members of the Warrenton Rural Fire Department, with a crash wagon and a pumper, responded to a chimney fire at the home of Lance Dillard at 7:09 p. m. on Wednesday, March 28.

The firemen permitted the chimney to burn out, with no damage reported.

The firemen responded to a second chimney fire on Wednesday night of last week. The second fire was at the home of Bobby Edmonds on South Main Street at Warrenton and the alarm was received at 9:08 p. m.

Eight men with a

## News Of Yesteryear

## Looking Back Into The Warren Record

April 7, 1944

Willis Neal, Warrenton lumberman and service station operator, was on Monday night elected night policeman by the Board of Town Commissioners at their regular monthly meeting.

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Sgt. George W. Davis, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Davis of Arcola, is at home for the first time since entering service on a 15-day furlough. He entered the service on October 8, 1941.

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Warrenton High School defeated Macon High School 16-0 in a baseball game Friday as George Shearin hurled a perfect game for Warrenton.

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April 3, 1959

Major General Claude T. Bowers of Warrenton has ended his active duty with the Army after more than 38 years of service. General Bowers resigned as Commander of the 30th Division effective March 31. He will retain his rank in the Officer's Reserve.

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Rep. John Kerr of Warrenton introduced a bill Tuesday authorizing school boards to operate public schools on a year-round basis in order to "head off the erection of any more school buildings."

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Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Bullock have purchased the home of Dr. and Mrs. Powell Evans Adams in West Warrenton on Fairview Drive.

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April 4, 1974

The Halifax County Board of Education went on record in regular meeting Monday as being in favor of Halifax County children attending both the Littleton and Vaughan schools, but made no provision for reimbursing the Warren County school system for their cost.

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Miss Mary Craig of Enfield spent Saturday night with Miss Carolyn Coleman at Inez. On Sunday, the two left for Lynchburg, Va. where they visited at Randolph-Macon College until Tuesday.

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A new Head Start Center will open soon in Warrenton. Franklin-Vance-Warren Opportunity, Inc. Head Start has recently erected a modular building in Warrenton to house two Head Start classes.

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Kidney Failure

Patients with advanced liver disease, particularly those who have a history of heavy drinking, may be in the initial stages of a severe form of kidney failure that defies detection by standard hospital screening tests, University of California, San Francisco researchers report.


## NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNERS

Notice is hereby given that the Warren County Board of Equalization and Review will meet Wednesday, April 18, 1984, at 2 p.m. in the Office of the Tax Supervisor, 114 W. Market Street, Warrenton, N.C. 27589. In order to schedule an appointment, write Janice W. Haynes, Tax Supervisor, at the above address, or call (919) 257-4158.

In the event of an earlier or later adjournment, notice to that effect will be published in this paper.

By order of the Board of Commissioners of Warren County; this 21st day of March, 1984.

Janice W. Haynes  
Clerk to the Board  
Of Equalization and Review



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