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For the first time ever, a Warrenton Railroad locomotive rolled into Norlina on Thursday of last week. The trip was made possible because the Seaboard System Railroad abandoned its track between Warren Plains and Norlina, allowing the

Warrenton Railroad to use the route. With operator and engineer Jacob Whaley at the controls, the Warrenton locomotive picked up four boxcars of lime in Norlina for delivery in Warrenton.

(Staff Photo)

Schools Open Sept. 4 For Warren Students

3,250 Are Expected First Day

Superintendent of Warren County Schools Mike Williams has announced that some 3,250 students are expected for the first day of school on Tuesday, Sept. 4. He emphasized that the schools will operate on a full-day schedule on that day.

The county's teachers have been at work since August 23, making preparation for the opening. Superintendent Williams reported that 193 teachers are under contract for the beginning of school, and all teaching positions have been filled with the exception of one teacher of the hearing impaired.

Students and parents are advised that lunch, but not breakfast, will be available on the first day. Beginning Wednesday, Sept. 5, students may have both breakfast and lunch at school.

School bus transportation will be provided on opening day and the routes will be basically the same as during the past school year. Williams asked that students be ready early during the first days of school until bus schedules have become established.

The superintendent noted that lists of fees and other pertinent information will be distributed in the various schools on opening day.



Owens-Illinois employee Joe Civitello (left) explained his company's manufacture of corrugated boxes to Second District Congressman I. T. "Tim" Valentine last Thursday during a tour of the company's training facility on North Main Street in Warrenton. Rep. Valentine was in Warren County for a public meeting with constituents at the county courthouse and remained for a \$10-a-head reception given by supporters at the Warrenton Lion's Den.

(Staff Photo)

Teachers Are Told

Renewed Interest Seen In Education

Citing a renewed interest in education on the part of the public and legislators, Warren County Schools Superintendent Michael F. Williams last week challenged teachers and instructional support personnel in Warren County's system to "channel the renewed interest in education in such a way as to result in more effective, positive relationships between the educator and the student."

In his remarks, delivered to 250 educators at their first meeting of the school year last Thursday at Warren County High School, Williams referred to the "growing concern" on the part of the public and the General Assembly that school personnel were not doing all that could be done to educate school children in the state.

He noted several recent moves by the General Assembly and the State Board of Education aimed at improving the performance of school employees, including a Quality Assurance Program and Career Development Plans for teachers, principals, and other school administrators.

Williams urged the group to view the new developments as "opportunities" rather than "burdens."

He encouraged those present to remain abreast of efforts at the local and state level to "strengthen" the quality of educational

personnel and particularly of the county's involvement as one of 20 pilot school systems in the Quality Assurance Program.

The educators also heard opening remarks by School Board Chairman Henry Pitchford who asked personnel to "put aside all other considerations, political and otherwise, and direct all energies to providing the best possible education for the students in the school system."

Following a devotion by the Rev. Ron Nida, pastor of Enterprise Baptist Church, brief remarks were delivered by Faye Spence, president of the Warren County unit of the North Carolina Association of Educators, and by Bertadean Baker, Warren County's Teacher of the Year for 1984.

The meeting closed with a skit, presented by members of the faculty of Mariam Boyd School, that presented a humorous portrayal of the types of teachers found in every school. Those participating were Ruby Amos, Diariece Williams, Clarice Greene, Hilda Terry, Irene Robinson and Bertadean Baker.

Following the meeting, refreshments were served, provided by the school system and Warren County unit of NCAE.

During the program, musical selections were performed by Glenda Powell and Howard Stultz.

Shooting Leads

To Man's Arrest

A Manson man was listed in stable condition in Maria Parham Hospital yesterday following a shooting incident in Manson Sunday.

According to Warren County Sheriff's Department reports, George Hicks was shot in the lower stomach at Manson Grill Sunday about 5 p. m.

Another Manson man, Edison Allen, 28, has been charged with assault with a deadly weapon inflicting serious injury. Allen was released from Warren County Jail Monday on \$2,000 bond, according to Chief Deputy B. D. Bolton.

The shooting was investigated by Deputy Harold Seaman.

Seaman was not on duty yesterday, and further details of the shooting were not available.

New Store Planned

Warrenton businessman Al Fleming has begun preparation for the construction of a convenience store to be located at a site between Midway Grill and Scott's Antiques on the Warrenton - Norlina Road.

Preliminary work has included the moving of a dwelling from the site chosen for the store and grading of the property. Construction is scheduled to begin immediately upon completion of the grading.

Fleming stated that he feels the growth which is now taking place in the county justifies the opening of such facility, and he hopes to be ready for business by the end of the year.

PCB Dump Among Sites Targeted

The state's hazardous waste disposal site in the Afton community of Warren County is one of six sites targeted by the Special Project on Ac-

tion Against Toxic Pollution in Poor Communities, a project administered by the United Church of Christ's Commission for

Racial Justice (CRJ). Soil laden with toxic PCBs was transported to the Afton site two years ago from road-sides throughout several

counties in the state where the chemical had

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Non-Voters To Be Purged

Warren County voters who do not cast their ballots in the November presidential election and who did not vote in the 1980 presidential election or in any election held in the period between those two elections will no longer be registered to vote after November, according to Ruby Jones, Warren County elections supervisor.

According to N. C. General Statute, registration rolls must be purged within 30 days after each presidential

election. Before a voter's name is purged, however, he will receive a notice to show cause why his registration should not be voided. The notice will be sent to the address shown on the permanent voter registration card, as required by law.

If the person appears at the county elections office or furnishes by mail evidence to show that his qualifications to register and vote in the precinct in which he is registered remain the

same, or if he has moved within the county and transfers his registration to the precinct in which he resides, his name will not be removed.

Once a voter's name is purged, he must re-register in order to be able to vote.

Anyone with questions about the purging of registration rolls should contact Mrs. Jones at the Elections Office in the Peter Davis Store building on Front Street in Warrenton, or by calling 257-2114.

KARTS Aid Wins Board Approval

Warren County commissioners last Wednesday approved a Kerr Area Transportation System (KARTS) request for \$10,000 to help the agency out of an end-of-the-year financial crunch caused by delays in state reimbursement.

KARTS, an independent non-profit agency, provides public transportation for residents in Warren, Vance, Granville, Franklin and Person counties, and is especially designed to meet the needs of elderly and disadvantaged segments of the population.

By working under contract with county human services agencies, such as the Health Department and Department of Social Services, KARTS coordinates transportation to eliminate route duplication and relieves the agencies of the responsibility of providing client transportation.

Two other counties —

Judgeship Nominees Sought

A Judicial Nominating Committee, created by Governor Jim Hunt to provide for non-partisan selection of Superior Court judges, is seeking nominations from the public for the office of Resident Superior Court Judge in the Ninth Judicial District of which Warren County is a part.

The judgeship was created by the 1984 Legislature, and Govern-

nor Hunt will fill the vacancy from nominations submitted by the Division II Panel of the Judicial Nominating Committee.

According to a recent release from the Governor's Office, the purpose of the committee is to seek out and nominate to the governor the best qualified persons to hold judicial office.

To be a candidate, a person must be an at-

torney and a resident of Franklin, Granville, Person, Vance or Warren counties.

Citizens are invited to recommend to the committee candidates for the position by writing to the Executive Secretary, Judicial Nominating Committee, office of the Governor, Raleigh, N. C. 27611.

The committee will accept nominations through September 12.