

When it's time for a catnap, any old dishpan will do. Just ask this Warren County feline known as

"Buddy" who recently found just the place for his afternoon snooze in the sun.

(Photo by Dianne T. Rodwell)

Warren Families Are Listed In New Confederate Roster

Histories of the 38th, 39th, 42nd, 43rd and 44th regiments of North Carolina Troops and the names and service records of the approximately 7,000 Confederate soldiers who served in those units are included in a new Civil War roster.

Volume X of "North Carolina Troops, 1861-1865: A Roster," published by the North Carolina Department of Cultural Resources' Historical Publications Section, is off the press and now available.

Individual service records contain information such as county of birth and residence, age at time of enlistment, prewar occupation, promotions, desertions, instances of injury and capture, and place, date and cause of death.

Included in the volume is a roster of a Warren County unit, the "Warren Defenders," which was known officially as Company G, 43rd Regiment N. C. Troops. Among the service records are those of a number of soldiers whose surnames—

such as Bolton, Davis, Felts, Green, Harris, King, Mustian, Powell, Shearin and many others — are still common in Warren County today.

One of the more interesting service records is that of Musician Thomas C. Dula, about whom the ballad "Hang Down Your Head Tom Dooley" was written following his execution at Statesville in 1868 for the murder of Laura Foster.

The 564-page volume includes an index, introduction and frontispiece photograph of a North Carolina soldier. Copies can be ordered for \$24.00 from the Historical Publications Section (N), Division of Archives and History, Department of Cultural Resources, 109 E. Jones Street, Raleigh, 27611.

A free list of service records of special interest in Volume X is available from the same source upon receipt of a stamped, self-addressed envelope.

New Emergency Telephone Number Goes Into Effect For Warren Co.

By KAY HORNER
News Editor

A new telephone number for emergency assistance is now in effect in Warren County and will be manned 24-hours a day by dispatchers in the Warren County Sheriff's Office.

The number, 257-3456, was formerly the number called to report fires, but can now be used to report any type of emergency, including calls for the county Ambulance Service, Sheriff's Department as well as volunteer fire departments, according to Warren County Sheriff Theodore R. Williams.

The emergency line will be answered by dispatchers who will also

operate the county's Police Information Network (PIN), formerly housed in the Warrenton Police Department.

The PIN equipment, which was recently relocated from the Warrenton Police Department and updated, puts local law enforcement officers in touch with a nationwide police information system.

Among the information accessible through PIN are Division of Motor Vehicle records, inventories of stolen property, accounts of

outstanding warrants, and criminal records.

Williams said location of the PIN system at the Sheriff's Department and hiring of additional PIN operators would increase efficient use of the system.

The state requires that a certified PIN operator be on hand whenever PIN is in operation, and Warren County's system will be manned around the clock from among five certified operators.

Sheriff Williams added that telephone numbers for the Warrenton Police

Department and Ambulance Service are still in effect, in addition to the central emergency number.

After hours, those calls will be automatically forwarded to the dispatcher in the Sheriff's Department for response.

PIN also has a new electronic monitoring system for all area banks, with a capacity for up to 24 alarms.

Seventy-five percent of the cost of PIN is paid by the county and 25 percent by the Town of Warrenton.



Warren County Sheriff Theo Williams is shown above looking on as certified Police Information Network (PIN) trainer Sophia Bolton (center) and PIN trainee Brenda M. Clarke operate the county's newly relocated PIN system at the Sheriff's Department. PIN, which will be manned 24-hours-a-day, provides local access to a nationwide law enforcement information system.

(Staff Photo by Kay Horner)

Warren Health Plan To Expand Its Hours

Business Is Routine For Board

Warren County commissioners, whose regular monthly meeting usually lasts into the afternoon, dispensed with a short agenda Monday in less than two hours.

The board again heard a request from propertyowners on U.S. 158 Bypass near Warren County High School for assistance in tapping on to the Regional Water System by a line going to the school.

Local businessman Roy Neal, accompanied to the meeting by Ben Layton of Rocky Mount who owns a mobile home sales lot on the bypass, suggested that the board meet with Warrenton Water Superintendent Bill Neal to "get the facts" on the availability of the water.

Propertyowners in the area who are interested in commercial and residential development have been unsuccessful in their efforts to get permission from the school board to tap onto the six-inch water line running from the intersection of the bypass and U.S. 158/401 Business.

The school board denied the propertyowners' request after consultation with the engineer who designed the school's water system. Possible loss of water pressure and concern over the school system's potential need for additional water at the bypass site were reasons given.

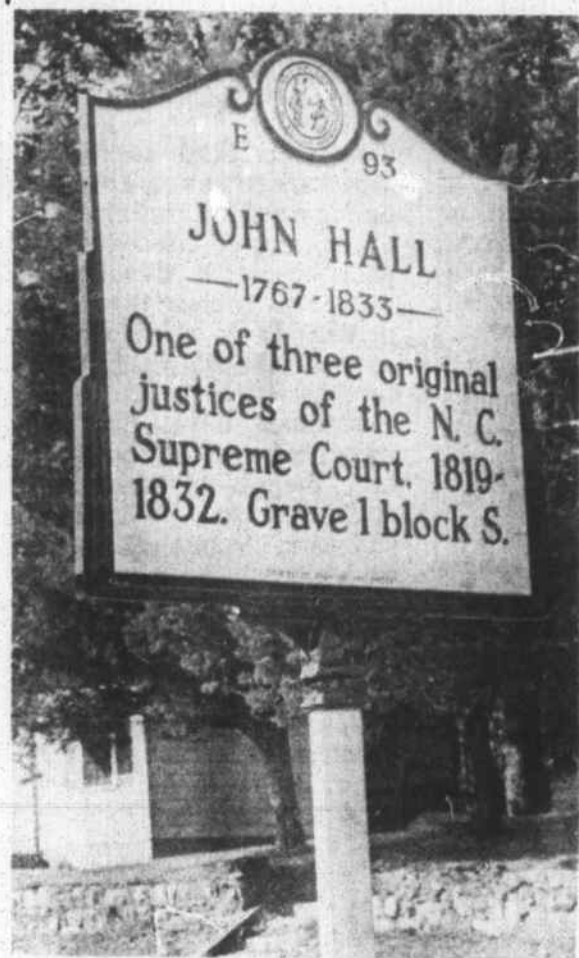
Eva M. Clayton, chairperson of the commissioners, again pledged the board's help in resolving the matter.

"We want to do something and we need to find a way to do it," Mrs. Clayton said. "Part of the problem is ownership of the line, but where there is sufficient goodwill among individuals, you can find a way to do it."

County Manager Charles Worth also reported that renovations at Warren General Hospital, funded by a federal grant, were 95-97 percent complete.

The hospital has been closed to in-patient care since February, and Mrs. Clayton said the board hoped to be able to consider a proposal from the local Bute Development Corporation for lease of the facility and its operation as a privately-run hospital by the Nov. 4 meeting.

The board also approved 57 of 112 corrections in tax listings and one refund as recommended by County Tax Supervisor Janice Haynes. The remainder are expected to be approved at the Nov. 4 meeting.



This historical marker giving direction to the grave of N. C. Supreme Court Justice John Hall was erected this week on East Macon Street in Warrenton by the N.C. Department of Cultural Resources' Division of Archives and History.

(Staff Photo by Howard Jones)

For Heating Bills

Assistance Ready For Needy People

Low income households in Warren County will again be eligible for assistance with heating costs this winter, according to Julian Farrar, director of Social Services for the county.

Application for assistance must be made at the Department of Social Services on Ridgeway Street in Warrenton.

To facilitate the process and to prevent long waiting periods, applications will be received on an alphabetical basis, depending on the first letter of the last name.

The schedule is as follows:

- A, B, and C, apply Oct. 15 and 16;
- D, E, and F, apply Oct. 17 and 18;
- G and H, apply Oct. 21 and 22;
- I, J, and K, apply Oct. 23 and 24;
- L, M, and N, apply Oct. 25 and 28;
- O, P, Q and R, apply Oct. 29 and 30;

—S and T, apply Oct. 31 and Nov. 1;

—U, V, W, X, Y and Z, apply Nov. 4 and 5.

Those who are unable to apply on the above dates may apply Nov. 6-27. The office will be closed for the holidays on Nov. 28 and 29.

Matt Johnston, supervisor for the program, has stressed the agency's need for cooperation of all applicants so that application can be completed without undue hardship on anyone.

Applications will be accepted between 9 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

Payments to eligible households will be mailed from Raleigh during the month of February 1985.

To establish eligibility, the following information will be required:

—A list of all persons in the household, their birth dates, Social Security numbers and type of income.

Effective Oct. 15

The Vance-Warren Comprehensive Health Plan is expanding the hours of its Warren Health Plan, effective Oct. 15, according to Phillip Williams, executive director of the plan.

"Most of the concerns I heard expressed by citizens in attendance at public hearings on Warren General Hospital revolved around the question, who will be there to take care of me in the event I or someone in my family has a sudden illness or accident," Williams said this week. "The expansion of hours will not replace hospital services, but will enable consumers to more readily obtain medical care."

The Warren Health Plan was opened in the hospital facility earlier this year to provide immediate and urgent care after the financially ailing hospital closed for renovations and revamping of its mode of operation.

The new schedule provides 64 hours of health care coverage at Warren Health Plan from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., Monday through Thursday and from 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday.

According to Williams, statistics collected by the N.C. Office of Rural Health indicate that Warren General Hospital's emergency room, when in operation, was not utilized as often on Friday evenings.

The Saturday clinic was established for a full day, Williams said, in order that those who need to see a physician, but can't afford to take off from work, can visit Warren Health Plan.

A physician will continue to be on consultative call during the hours the Warren Health Plan, as well as HealthCo, the Soul City branch of Vance-Warren Comprehensive Health Plan, are not open, Williams said.

HealthCo will continue with its current schedule of operation from 9 a.m. until 5:30 p.m. Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday and from 11 a.m. until 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday.

Warrenton Tobacco Sales Set A New High For Year

Sales on the Warrenton Tobacco Market set a season record average high of \$188.45 per hundred pounds on Monday and Stabilization claimed only three percent of the day's offerings, Mrs. Alice R. Robertson, sales supervisor, has reported.

The 349,538 pounds which area growers sold in the local market's three warehouses on Monday also represented

the largest sale of the current season.

Monday's sales continued an upward trend in prices which have averaged in the 80's for five consecutive sale days. The average last Thursday was \$184.57 per hundred, and three percent of that day's tobacco also went into Stabilization stocks.

To date, over four million pounds of tobacco

have been auctioned on the Warrenton market and prices have averaged \$171.68 per hundred pounds for the season. Stabilization has taken an average of 16 percent, according to the supervisor's figures.

The second sale of this week was scheduled for today (Wednesday), and the one sale day next week will be Wednesday, Oct. 16.

Palmer Gets Honors In AF

SSgt. Robert C. Palmer has completed the Non-Commissioned Officer Leadership School at the Myrtle Beach Air Force Base. He received the academic award for outstanding academic achievement and the communicative skills award for outstanding speech abilities.

Palmer is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Palmer, Jr. of Warrenton.