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Construction Bids Opened For Norlina

Four bids for extension and replacement of water lines in Norlina in connection with a Community Development Block Grant for the town were opened last week by town officials, but the town board has not officially accepted any of the four.

According to Town Clerk Mae Gums, low bid for the work, which includes enlarging water lines to West Darden, Kearney and Washington streets, replacement of lines on Division Street and installation of 10 fire hydrants, was \$119,593, submitted by John Thomas Harris Construction Company.

Other bids were \$131,102 from Halifax Builders, \$129,844 from George W. Kane and \$178,534 from Roanoke Construction Construction Company.

Because only \$112,080 is allocated in grant funding for the project, negotiations are underway, Mrs. Gums said.

Hayes Gets Post In Moore County

Norlina native Charles A. Hayes, former Warren County manager and principal in Warrenton Insurance and Real Estate, recently began his new duties as Moore County economic developer.

Hayes, whose office is located in Southern Pines, will work in close association with the Moore County Economic Development Committee.

A veteran of the U.S. Army, Hayes holds a B.S. degree in business administration with emphasis in marketing and a master's in distributive education from East Carolina University.

He began his career as a faculty member at Isothermal Community College in Forest City, where he taught business administration.

He later joined the faculty of Wilson County Technical Institute.

Hayes, 39, returned to Warren County as county manager and industrial developer in 1974. For the past eight years, he has been associated with Warrenton Insurance and Real Estate.

Shearin Wants Shot At Seat

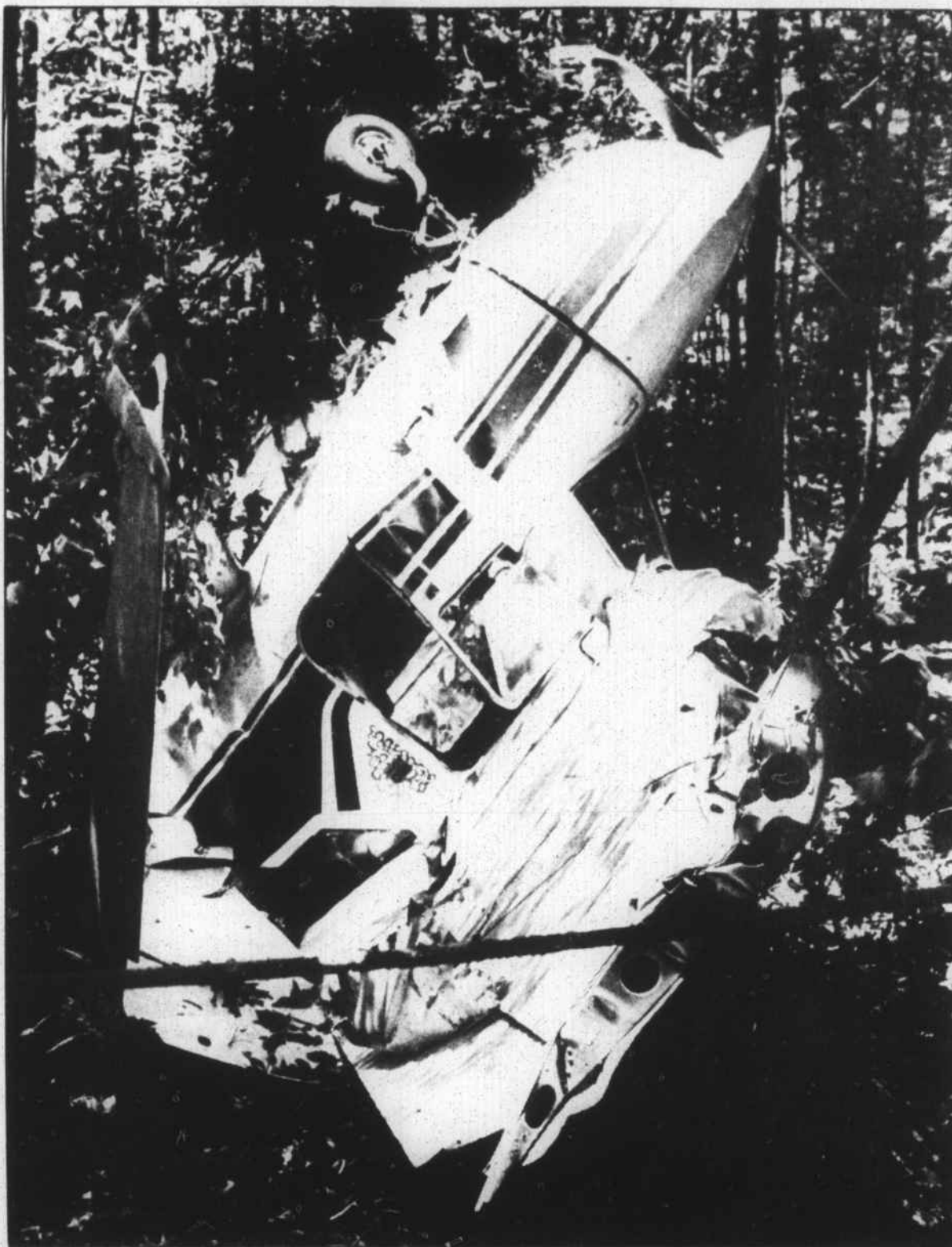
Jesse E. Shearin, Jr., a Scotland Neck attorney, has announced that he is seeking election to the North Carolina House of Representatives. Shearin has begun a drive to place his name on the ballot in the general election in November as an unaffiliated candidate from the Seventh House District.

If successful, he will face Enfield attorney Thomas C. Hardaway, a Democrat. The seat is currently held by Warrenton Attorney Frank W. Ballance, Jr., who is not running for re-election.

At least five percent of the registered voters in the district must sign Shearin's petition in order for his name to be placed on the ballot. The district includes all of Halifax County except for Roanoke Rapids and Littleton townships. It also includes several townships in Warren and Martin counties.

Shearin is a 45-year-old native of Scotland Neck. After graduating as a philosophy major from Wake Forest University in 1963, he pursued a career as a college professor. He taught philosophy at Thiel College in Greenville, Penn. for 10 years.

In 1975, Shearin entered Wake Forest University School of Law. He graduated in 1978 and has since engaged in the practice of law. In addition to his law degree, Shearin holds M.A. and Ph.D. degrees in philosophy from the



A wooded lot in Twin Oak Shores subdivision on Lake Gaston provided a cushion for this single-engine Cessna aircraft when it stalled and crashed Saturday afternoon. The pilot, J. Bruce McKeown, stationed at the Naval Air Base in Norfolk, and a

passenger walked away with only slight injuries. The tail of the plane was torn off and portions of both wings were broken off, but the cockpit remained intact.

(Staff Photo by Kay Horner)

For May Criminal Term

List Of Jurors Is Drawn For Superior Court Duty

The following list of jurors has been drawn for the May 27 criminal session of Warren County Superior Court:

James Lee Alston, Anna Lee Howard, Dorothy Ellen Wilson, Jesse Bennett Martin, Gabriel Jones, Marie Copley Harris, Ronald Ervin Davis, Roy Lee Clarke, Willie Jordan Williams, Connie Holloman King, George Linwood Alston, Lucius Junior O'Neal, William Knight Delbridge, Louise Carroll Oakley, Fannie Williams Alston, Sylvia McDowell Pitchford, Carolyn Richardson Alston, and Jacqueline Rose Norwood.

Also, Hiawatha Elders Rogers, James Austin, Linda Clark Knight, Sharon Eileen Starks, James Bullock, Jr., Charles Mayfield White, IV, Judy Delois Bullock, Leonard Terry, Joyce Sutton Meador, Nancy Copelin Boone, Blanche Snow Pullen, Ernest Allen Townes, Gid Otha Tharrington, Sr., Nancy Lee Harrison, Rosalie Rinzahn Abrams, David Lee Williams, Teretha Elizabeth Bullock, Eva Durham, Virginia Mae Hawkins, Jean Rose Lynch, Marcus Melroy Alston, Beatrice Banks, Charles Richardson, Pollie Allene Williams, Henry Harding Greene, Thelma Cleadis Arnold Elmore, Viola Lynch Newell, Hunter Richardson, and Albert Lee Faulcon.

Also, Gerald Richardson, Solomon, Alston, Jr., Mary Elizabeth Alston, Clarence Boyd, Annie Moseley Lawhorne, Rosa L. Meadows, Marilyn Jane Epps, Janet Kearney, Monroe Cabbagstalk, Mary Amanda Davis Hargrove, Kevin Williams, Patricia Fleming Powell, Margaret Seward Mialam, Juanita Gatlin Wood,

Russell Hoover Gaines, Melvin Antonia Harris, and Carolyn Poole Hagwood.

Jurors deferred from the previous session are:

Charles Cooper, James Tasker Fleming, Sr., Shirley Davis Jiggetts, James Ronald King, Margaret Nelson Light, Minnie Hedgepeth Manning, Margaret Elaine Ball Mitchell, Titus Dodd Roberts, Walter Ronald Tharrington, Charles Richard Wallace, Katherine Matthews Norwood, John Everett Jones, Willie Lee Robinson.

At Lake Gaston

Two Survive Plane Crash

By KAY HORNER
News Editor

A stand of trees is credited with saving the life of a Virginia pilot and his companion when the small plane in which they were flying crashed Saturday afternoon in a residential area on the north shore of Lake Gaston.

According to the Warren County Sheriff's Department, the single-engine Cessna 150-M apparently stalled when pilot J. Bruce McKeown, 40, slowed the aircraft to wave at people on a pier.

The plane went down on a wooded lot in Twin Oak Shores Subdivision, located off S.R. 1360 near the Elams community.

According to a witness at the scene, the plane came down nose first and caught in the trees. The tail broke off and the rest of the plane came to rest with the rear portion on the ground and the nose suspended in the air.

The trees cushioned the crash and McKeown and his passenger, Mary Ellen Daffron, 40, of Alexandria, Va. walked away with only minor injuries.

Initial reports on the 12:05 p.m. crash indicated that the plane had fallen into the lake, and Warren County Rescue Squad as well as Roanoke-Wildwood and Littleton fire departments responded.

The plane, owned by a Chesapeake, Va. man, had been leased by McKeown, a Naval pilot stationed at the Naval Air Base in Norfolk, Va.

The destination of McKeown, who is also a private pilot, was unknown, a spokesman for the Sheriff's Department said this week.

Both the Federal Aviation Administration and investigators with the U.S. Navy are looking into the incident, the spokesman said.

The FAA this week released the wreckage for removal.

The plane crashed on a lot owned by Earl Englehart of Chester, Va., between two lots on which dwellings sit.

The dwellings were not damaged.

Officials at first were not sure if the crash site was in Halifax or Warren County or over the state line in Virginia, and rescue teams from all three responded.

Sgt. Lawrence Harrison with the Warren County Sheriff's Department was first on the scene and led the investigation.

Serious Accident Really Not That

What appeared to be a serious highway accident near Salmon's Landing on Lake Gaston Saturday afternoon was actually a simulated truck and car collision planned by local rescue crews and Duke University's Life Flight medical helicopter service.

The exercise, which took about 90 minutes to complete, initially involved emergency responses by Littleton, Roanoke-Wildwood and Churchill-Five Forks volunteer fire departments, the Warren County Sheriff's Department and County Rescue Squad.

The Life Flight helicopter was dispatched after emergency crews determined that one of the "injuries" was serious enough to require immediate transfer for life-saving treatment not available locally.

Life Flight, instituted last year, responds to calls within a 150-mile radius of its Durham base. Its staff had requested the local exercise.

The helicopter landed at the N.C. Wildlife Marina launch area near Salmon's Landing.

The exercise terminated with the transfer of the "patient" to the helicopter.

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\$400 Said Raised At Cancer Crusade

Although final figures have not been tallied, Connie Perkinson with the Warren County chapter of the American Cancer Society estimated this week that close to \$400 was raised for the society at last Sunday's Jamboree at the Warrenton National Guard Armory.

"We especially want to thank those who used their time and talents to make the Jamboree a complete success," Hazel Williams, chapter member, said this week. "We are also appreciative of those area businesses and individuals who gave door prizes. All those efforts take us one step closer to conquering cancer."



SHEARIN



These fifth-graders from Vaughan Elementary School won the recent Social Studies Bowl held among fifth-graders throughout the county. Vaughan students have won four out of six bowls. This year's winners, shown above with their

plaque, are (left to right) Julius McDonald, Derrick Massenburg, Elroy Flitta, and Valerie Sink. Not pictured is Kenneth Smith. The group's coach was Johnie Williams.

(Staff Photo by Kay Horner)