

Irrigation systems like the one in use on this farm north of Drewry have this summer spelled the difference between success and failure for farmers

throughout North Carolina where the rains have been too little and too late.

(Staff Photo by Howard Jones)

Water Line Extension Gets Board's Approval

Warrenton commissioners gave the okay Monday night for work to proceed on an extension of the water on Eaton Avenue.

The board approved the project, which calls for 820 feet of six-inch line and one hydrant, some months ago and agreed at the regular meeting Monday at Town Hall that Water Superintendent Bill Neal and his staff could set the wheels in motion on the extension right away. Plans are to tap onto the town's water system at Eaton's intersection with Battle Avenue and to continue to the end of the street at the residence of Col. and Mrs. John Jenkins. Estimated cost of the project is \$3,000.

Mayor B. G. White announced a survey by Carolina Power and Light Company had determined it unfeasible to change utility wires along Main Street to underground. The study included a four-block area from the Warren ton Post Office to Foodville grocery store. The required electrical usage to change the lines is 2,758 kilowatts, White said, and some 881 kilowatts are consumed in that area.

An alternate consideration of three blocks from the post office to Franklin Street, where 739 kilowatts are used, failed to meet the required 1,804 kilowatts, White added. He said the project was considered unwise for the electrical company and could be accomplished only at excessive cost to the town.

Town Administrator V. R. (Pete) Vaughan reported the scheduled retirement on Aug. 28 of veteran street employee Fletcher Paschall. Vaughan said an agreement was made last year with Paschall to extend his employment until the end of August this year.

In other matters before the

-Mayor White said study is continuing on the feasibility of installing a traffic light at the intersection of Hall and Macon

—Administrator Vaughan was requested to ask for a 30-day extension on negotiations with R. D. Harmon regarding the town's agreement to finance the cleaning of his pond which for a number of years served as receptacle for sludge from the old water plant in Connell's Pasture on the southern edge of town. The delay is sought to allow time to research the availability of

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Rep. Tim Valentine Planning Appearance

Second District Rep. Tim Valentine will be in Warrenton on Friday, Aug. 21 to meet with Warren County citizens. Valentine will be in the Warren County courthouse from 2 to 3 p.m. and will be available to discuss any matter of interest to Second District residents.

"I have found no better way to stay in close touch with the people of the Second District than open, informal citizens meetings such as this," Valentine said. "Such meetings enable me to talk with individual citizens and learn their concerns, and I hope that everyone with any matter to discuss will take advantage of this opportunity."

The Warrenton meeting is part of a series of appearances that will take Valentine to every county in the Second District in August while the House is not in session. Valentine has conducted such meetings at regular intervals since his election to Congress in 1982.

Warrenton Market Begins Leaf Sales Wednesday Morning

The floor at Warrenton's High Dollar warehouse was "full and running over" on the eve of today's opening of the Warrenton Tobacco Market, Tobacco Sales Supervisor Alice Marie Robertson said yesterday afternoon.

Sales were scheduled to open at High Dollar this morning, followed by sales at Farmers Warehouse and Centre Warehouse this afternoon.

A total of 345,000 pounds had been designated at all three warehouses, Mrs. Robertson noted.

The market will open with the sale of 1986 carry-over leaf, and Mrs. Robertson said she thought sale of new tobacco would not begin until Thursday, and possibly not until next week.

Farmers went away from last year's opening day sales well pleased that their leaf had, on the average, sold \$20 higher per 100 pounds than the previous year.

But dry conditions have plagued farmers this summer and made them less optimistic.

"The tobacco from farmers who irrigated looks just fine," Mrs. Robertson said. "But the leaf from those who weren't able to irrigate is about half the size it should be."

The Middle Belt, of which Warrenton is a part, opened yesterday.

Warren Graduate

Gets Peace Grant

RALEIGH—Evelyn Hall of Warrenton has been awarded a \$1,200 Valedictorian Scholarship for the 1987-88 and 1988-89 academic years at Peace College

Miss Hall is the daughter of Bill and Lula Hall of Rt. 2, Warrenton.

Peace is a two-year, liberal arts college for women.

350 Faculty Members Expected

Teachers Returning To Class Tomorrow

The 1987-88 school year will begin for approximately 350 Warren County teachers and staff on August 13 at 8 a.m., with employees reporting to their respective schools.

Workdays will be held August 13-21, during which time employees will prepare for the return of students, as well as participate in a variety of workshops and training opportunities.

"There will be special workshops for teachers of Exceptional children, Chapter I students, vocational students, as well as for librarians, guidance personnel, department heads, mentor teachers and food service workers," said James Jordan, assistant superintendent.

In addition, approximately 70 teachers will begin the Effective Teaching Training program, a 30-hour, State-developed training program for teachers, focused on improving schools.

On August 18, all employees in the system, except food service employees, will gather at 1:30 p.m. in the theater at Warren County High School, for the opening session for the year.

"Our guest speaker for this session is Todd Harris, Region III's 1967-38 Teacher of the Year," said Mr. Jordan. Mr. Harris, a graduate of Duke University, has served as a teacher of 10th and

Students Prepare For Opening Day

The first day of school for students in Warren County will be on Aug. 24, according to Superintendent Mike Williams.

Schools will operate for a full day the first day, opening at their regular time, approximately 8:15 a.m. "Students will be officially enrolled on this first day, and we will serve both breakfast and lunch," Williams said.

Lunchroom prices for breakfast are as follows: K-8, full price, 45 cents; K-8, reduced price, 20 cents; and adults, 65 cents. Lunch prices are: K-6, full price, 80 cents; grades seven through 12, full price, 90 cents; K-12, reduced price, 40 cents; and adults, \$1.30.

Williams noted that bus routes are basically the same as last year, but urged that parents have their children out early for the first few days of school. "Any parents having trouble with transportation at the beginning of school should contact their child's principal," Williams said.

New families in the area should report immediately to the coun-

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12th grade Biology in the Durham County school system. For the 1987-88 school year, Mr. Harris will work with the Office of Teacher Recruitment in Raleigh, serving as a public spokesman for the teaching profession.

Following Mr. Harris' presentation, staff members will receive information on 1987-88 staff development plans, plans for cooperative education projects with N.C. State University and information on teachers; roles in the county's new substitute teacher training program.

After the meeting, staff members will be entertained at a reception in the school cafeteria.

All Quiet In Warrenton

Third Candidate Joins Norlina Mayoral Race

Norlina had by the close of the filing period a second new contender for an office to be decided upon in the November election.

William S. Fuller, 43, has made known his intention to seek the office of mayor of the town. The Norlina native is a veteran teacher of 20 years. He taught for one year in Lenoir County before joining the faculty at Norlina Middle School, where he also coaches football and basketball. The educator is a member of Norlina Baptist Church, where he has served as a Sunday School teacher and a member of the deacon board. He is married to the former Brenda Jones of Mt. Olive. They have two children: Kimberly, age 16, and William, Jr., age 11.

Fuller is the son of Mrs. Nita Fuller and the late R. H. Fuller. The mayoral contender is in-

cumbent Mayor E. L. (Bill)
Perry.
Four new persons have also
filed for the post of town commis-

filed for the post of town commissioner: James L. Knight, Mrs. Patricia D. Baker, Darrell Perry and Phillip H. Perkinson. Incumbent commissioners who

are seeking to retain their position are Mrs. Eleanor Hayes, William E. Leonard, Walter



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Newman, Dwight Pearce and James Vaughan.

In Warrenton, all seven incumbents have filed: Mayor B.
G. White and commissioners Eddie Q. Clayton, Jr., A. A. Wood, W. A. Miles, L. Phillip Daniel, R. D. Edmonds and M. R. Shearin,

Likewise in Macon, only incumbents have filed: Mayor M. C. Clary and commissioners Glenn Riggan, Carroll Harris, Mrs. Katherine Hilliard and W. R. Shaw.

Merchants Planning Pig Cook-Off Sept. 12

Woody King, president of the Warrenton Merchant's Association, has announced that the Association will be working in conjunction with the Warren County Firemen's Association to provide meals during the 1987 Firemen's Day activities which have been scheduled for Saturday, Sept. 12.

"In order to obtain the barbeccue needed, we will be hosting a Pig Cook-Off," King said. The Cook-Off will be held at the Warren County Fairgrounds beginning the evening of Sept. 11.

According to Walter Gardner, coordinator and liaison between the two associations, persons may enter the Pig Cook-Off with a personal or corporate sponsorship of \$100. Participants must supply their own cookers, fuel and manpower, as well as their own special sauce for the taste test. The pigs, which will be supplied by the Merchant's Association, will be cooked Friday night to be ready by 9 a.m. on Sept. 12 for a panel of judges, who will view them on the grill and taste the barbecue. "The winner will be presented a check for \$250 and a trophy," Gardner said.

King indicated that lunch, costing \$3.50 per plate, will be available at 11 a.m. for eat-in or take-out, and will continue through the dinner hour until 7:30 p.m. Proceeds from the sale of the barbecue will benefit activities of the Merchant's Association and the Warren County Firemen's Association. Tickets for the meals will be available soon from any member of the Warrenton Merchant's Association.

"We are very pleased to be working with our fine county firemen during this year's Firemen's Day," King said. "As in previous years, we expect many people to visit Warrenton that day and our merchants will be running specials in honor of Firemen's Day," he added. "As a special treat for those dining at the Lion's Den from 1-1:30 p.m., the 440th Army Band will present an outdoor concert.

Persons wishing further information about the Pig Cook-Of should contact Walter Gardner at 257-3104 (business) or 257-4307 (residence). The entry deadline is Sept. 5.

Fifth Annual Fireman's Day Plans Outlined

The Warren County Fireman's Association has announced plans for the fifth annual Fireman's Day in Warrenton on Saturday, September 12th. The day's activities will include judging of fire apparatus, a parade through downtown Warrenton, lunch on sale at the fairgrounds, a band concert, a visit from a medical helicopter which will be available for viewing, a firemen's muster, and dinner.

Invitations have been sent to all area fire departments from Warren and surrounding areas including Halifax, Wake, Durham, Granville counties in North Carolina and Mecklenburg and Brunswick counties, Virginia.

Twenty-five or more fire departments are expected for the day's activities.

Fire apparatus from Warren

Fire apparatus from Warren County will be judged prior to the parade at Mariam Boyd Elementary School beginning at 9 a.m. The parade will begin at 11:30 a.m. with a special addition of the 440th Army Band. They will perform throughout the parade route in marching formation which will proceed from Cousin Lucy's Lane on South Main Street, north to Ridgeway St. and end at the Warren County Fair Grounds.

Barbecue lunch will be available at the fairgrounds, sponsored by the Warrenton Merchant's Association. The barbecue will be prepared during a pig cook-off held earlier in the day. Barbecue will be available throughout the day. Meal tickets can be purchased from any Merchant's Association member. Proceeds from the meal will benefit activities of the Warrenton Merchant's Association and the Warren County Firemen's Association.

At 1 p.m., the 440th Army Band will give a stage performance at the Warren County Fairgrounds which will conclude with the National Anthem to kick off the Firemen's Muster.

"The firemen's muster is an opportunity for firemen to par-

ticipate in competition with other departments while running events which increase a fireman's skills," Walter Gardner, chairman of Firemen's Day said. "We wish to encourage the public to come out and spend the day in Warrenton. Many activities will be going on downtown all morning, highlighted with the 440th Army Band. Special plans are being made by the Warrenton Merchant's Association to include specials in their stores. Concessionairs will also be on the streets as well as at the fairgrounds. We look forward to a super day and hope that everyone will make plans to attend," Gardner said.