

Here and There

Howard Jones

Please Don't Say 'Hello'

I am indebted to Marvin R. Tharrington, director of transportation for Warren County Schools, for sending my way a 1935 copy of the telephone directory published by Carolina Telephone and Telegraph Co. for the exchanges at Warrenton, Littleton, Macon and Norlina.

Upon seeing the directory, one is impressed by just how thin the publication is, reflecting the small number of persons and firms with telephones, and lack of any Yellow Pages advertising.

There is some advertising in the directory, and two Warrenton firms had ads on the front and back cover. Hunter Drug Company, billing itself as "prompt, reliable, and courteous," could be reached by dialing Phone No. 6. Boyce Drug Co., the Rexall Store, told readers it was "as near as your telephone" and offered "prompt and efficient service." It could be reached by calling 2, or at night, 59.

On the inside covers, ads carried the messages of W. A. Miles Hardware Company in Warrenton, and Norlina Ice Corporation, coal dealers and ice manufacturers with phones in both Norlina and Warrenton.

Among the Warrenton businesses listed in the directory were Bobbitt's Garage, Harris and Gardner Laundry, Warrenton Flower Shop (operated by E. T. Odom), Gillam Auto Co. and Burrough's Grocery Co.

L.A. Corbitt of Warrenton was listed as group manager, and down at Littleton Miss Lucille Topping was listed as operator in charge. There were four telephone customers in Littleton that year whose last name began with the letter "A."

All told, there were 157 telephone customers in Littleton, and among the business firms listed were the Robert Arrington Store at Hollister, the office of Dr. W. E. Campbell, the Currin Pressing Club, Farber and Jones Store, the J. P. T. Harris Store in Vaughan, the Orange Crush Bottling Company and the office and residence of Dr. Horace Palmer. There were no advertisements from Littleton merchants.

Over at Macon, where Mrs. Ethel Harris was operator in charge, there were 38 customers, whose names and telephone numbers occupied only a half-page in the directory. Older readers will remember the P. A. Agelasto family listed, as well as the Mack Capps Store, the W. G. Edgerton Store, Charles Harris Garage, Macon Gin Co. and the Rev. J. J. Marshall. As with Littleton, there were no commercial ads.

Norlina had 92 customers that year, and two of the telephones belonged to the Norlina Hotel, which could be reached by dialing either 2261 or 2271. All Norlina phones had four digits, whereas customers on the other three exchanges had either one, two, three or four digits.

Among the merchants listed in Norlina were the W. A. Delbridge Store, Farmer's Supply Co., Benton's Filling Station, the Metropolitan Cafe, Mrs. Irene Mumford's Store and Norlina Motor Service.

The only advertisement from a Norlina business carried on the regular pages of the directory was from the garage of W. R. Hayes, which advertised its "wrecking service."

Instructions from the telephone company indicated that there were short rings and long rings, and a combination of each. Service connection charges were priced at \$2.50. Among the recommendations from the phone company was the following:

"When answering your telephone do not say Hello. Only say, This is number 236-1 or whatever your telephone number happens to be. This will help the calling party in knowing whether or not he has dialed the right number, and will eliminate useless conversation."

Appointments To Take Bulk Of Board's Time

Appointments to county committees and commissions will claim the bulk of the time spent tonight (Wednesday) when the Warren County Board of County Commissioners convene at 7:00 in the courthouse for its regular mid-monthly meeting.

Vacancies on the following advisory groups are expected to be filled: Economic Development Commission, Parks and Recreation Commission, Nursing Home Community Advisory Council, Domiciliary Home Community

Advisory Council, ABC Board, Fire Commission, HealthCo Board and Zoning Board of Adjustment.

In other business, the board is also expected to take action on two change-order requests to the contract for the Quick City Drainage and Utility Improvements project. One change order has been requested to bring the final contract price in line with the actual costs incurred and payments made in the project. The other change order reflects costs of man holes, driveways, piers, surveying and shrubbery.

Mrs. Holtzman Feted On 70th Birthday

Mrs. Eva S. Holtzman was honored on her 70th birthday on Saturday, July 9 by her four sons and their families with a birthday party and dance at the Ridgeway Community House.

For the occasion, music was furnished by Marvin Pierce of Raleigh, and over 100 guests enjoyed the cocktail hors d'oeuvres. Mrs. Holtzman received many nice and useful gifts from family members.

Attending the party were her sons, Chris F. Holtzman of Orangeburg, S. C., Reuben S. Holtzman of Ridgeway, George W. Holtzman of Hinesville, Ga. and Claiborne R. Holtzman of Rocky Mount. Also present were family members from Cary, Virginia Beach, Va., South Hill, Va., Henderson, Wise and Manson.

Special Event Set

On Sunday, July 24, a special dramatic presentation will be presented at the Norlina Baptist Church.

"James King's Translation" will be performed at the church at 7:30 p.m. The play, authored by the Rev. Elton Cooke, former pastor at Norlina Baptist, will be presented by a cast of over 25 members from Lyndale Baptist Church. The drama is about the end of time on earth, and focuses on an evening worship service at a church where the title character, James King, must deal with his readiness to face eternity. The ultimate question of the play for the audience is "Are you ready?"

The public is invited to attend this special presentation. For more information, contact the pastor, the Rev. Bob Lowman, at 456-4121.



Charles Montague (left) and Steven Lynch (right) were awarded associate of applied science degrees on June 1, following the completion of the "Furniture Production Management" course offered by Cochrane Furniture Company, Inc. to its employees. The course was taught at Catawba Valley Community College in Hickory. (Staff Photo by Howard Jones)

With Company Support, Two Men Receive Degrees

Two Warren County men have received associate of applied science degrees, thanks to their own hard work and the support of Cochrane Furniture Company, Inc., Mrs. Alice Young, Cochrane assistant personnel manager, announced this week.

Charles Montague and Steve Lynch, both long-term Cochrane employees, were awarded their degrees in graduation ceremonies held on June 1 at Lenoir-Rhyne College in Hickory. Receipt of the diplomas marked the end of a one-year-nine-month course, "Furniture Production Management," that had been offered through Catawba Valley Community College, also in Hickory.

The two men were selected for the expense-paid course following evaluation of their applications by Jerry Cochrane, vice president of Cochrane, and Bob Harold, division manager for the East (Warrenton) and Lincolnton plants.

Montague and Lynch lived in Hickory for the duration of the course, which began in September of 1986, returning home to their families only on weekends and during vacations. While in Hickory, they resided in a home that had been made available by Cochrane.

In addition to their studies—which included English, mathematics with the exception of calculus, physics, first-line management supervision, time and motion, plant layout and cost analysis—the Warren County men worked in Cochrane's Lincolnton plant.

"The experience made me a better person and I would advise

4-H Club To Meet

The Best Better 4-H Club will meet on Thursday, July 21 at 7 p.m. at Mariam Boyd Elementary School. We will leave at 5:15 p.m. on Friday, July 29 for a trip to Durham, where we will attend a Durham Bulls baseball game. The cost of transportation and admission to the game is \$9.

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Adventure And Fantasy Found On Florida Trip

By CHANDRA SLEDGE Club Reporter

A chance to mix adventure with fantasy began on Sunday, July 3, when members of the Best Better 4-H Club and area citizens left Warrenton on a fun-filled and educational tour of Florida.

Our Carolina Trailways bus arrived at Wet 'N Wild in Orlando, Fla. at 10 a.m. on Monday, and we prepared ourselves for the wettest and wildest fun-filled time of our lives. Those persons who were daring enough took a chance to enjoy the 60-foot-high Corkscrew Water Slide. The day spent at the 15-acre water park was like a day at the beach—only much, much more!

After dinner, we checked into the Howard Johnson's motel on International Drive, our home for the next two nights.

Our tour continued on Tuesday with a visit to the Magic Kingdom of Walt Disney World. We toured Adventureland, Frontierland, Liberty Square, Fantasyland and Tomorrowland. Several members of the group had a chance to attend the 60th birthday party for Mickey Mouse and to help blow out the candles! At 9 p.m., the beautiful electrical parade began and the fantasy continued.

We toured the Dark Continent/Busch Gardens on Wednesday. One of Florida's most popular attractions, it is located in Tampa and has as its theme, Africa. We stayed overnight at an Econo Lodge to rest up for Florida's Silver Springs that we would see on Thursday.

The tour on Thursday gave us a chance to see the famous glass-bottomed boats that travel over the world's largest group of limestone springs and give their passengers a view of marine life. The park also featured a Jungle Cruise, a reptile institute, a deer park, as well as an antique car collection.

Our final night was spent in Hardeeville, S.C. On Friday, we got a chance to tour Hilton Head Island in South Carolina. The Rev. Benjamin Williams, brother of Mrs. Catherine and Mrs. Katie Williams of Warrenton, served as our tour guide. The Rev. Mr. Williams, who has lived on Hilton Head Island for several years, showed us the malls, businesses and, of course, the ocean.

After thanking our guide for his kindness, we left at 1 p.m. for our last shopping spree in Florence, S.C. at one of the largest malls of the area. We arrived safely in Warrenton at 9:15 p.m. on Friday, July 8.

The Florida travelers were: Mrs. Portia Barnes, Adrian Brown, the Rev. Alvin Sledge, Mrs. Catherine Sledge, Chandra Sledge, Marc Johnson, Keenan Johnson, Mrs. Sadie Jones, Mrs. Rebecca Solomon, Teresa Solomon, Nneka George, Ivan Wilson, Mrs. Jessie Kearney, Kimeki Kearney, Antonia Johnson, Artelia Covington, Clifton Baskett, Mrs. Goldie Baskett, Christopher Williams, Mrs. Ida Pierce, Mrs. Rebecca Russell, Eric Solomon, Cosmos George II, James Williams, Desmond Pierce, Mrs. Willie Mae Turner, Mrs. Adlena Durham, Mrs. Candis Miller, Mrs. Evelyn Davis, Freda Davis, Eric Davis, Mrs. Karen Solomon, Ernest Solomon, Mrs. James Anna Johnson, Mrs. Lucy Meadows and Mrs. Ruby Hargrove.

We extend a special "thanks" to Mrs. Portia Barnes for all her hard work in planning the trip and for helping to make it an enjoyable one for all age groups.

Items Missing, Lawmen Told

The disappearance of personal items valued at almost \$1,300 has been reported recently by area residents, a sheriff's spokesperson said.

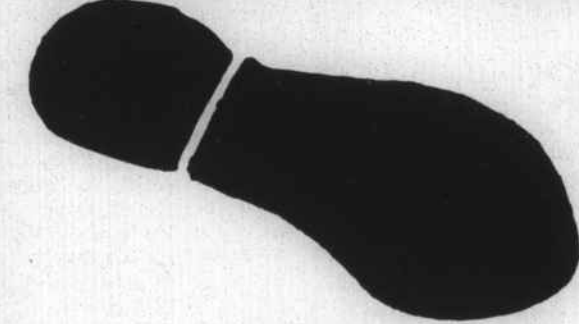
On July 12, Thelma Y. Ball of Wise reported the apparent theft from her residence of four 15-inch Ford sport tire rims. The four rims have been valued at \$800.

Two days later on July 14, Franklin Broadwell, of Mosby Avenue in Littleton, reported the disappearance of \$466 in property from his boat. The 14-foot 1984 Kayot Ltd. had been left at Panda Lawn, the spokesperson said.

Reported missing were a boat steering wheel (\$60), a fire extinguisher (\$16), a stereo system with four speakers (\$300) and an ice chest (\$70).

Deputy W. T. Winston is the investigating officer for both cases.

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