

## Final Approval Given Bond Sale For Expansion

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A resolution giving final approval to the \$10 million bond sale for Glen Raven Mills' expansion project was among Monday's agenda items before the Warren County Board of Commissioners.

The resolution allows the sale of the industrial revenue bonds to finance the Glen Raven expansion project. That project is expected to bring an additional 65 jobs into the county through the Norlina facility, or an approximate \$24,000 in county taxes.

No sale date for the bonds has been set.

In an unrelated matter, the board approved a 30-day extension for construction bids for the Warren Medical Facility.

Gantt Huberman Architects is the firm which has received construction bids for the county for the Warren Medical Facility project. In a letter to the board in October, it was noted by Charles Snow, an architect with the firm, that all construction bids were nearly 20% over the county's budget of \$846,636. Negotiations with four of the low-bidding contractors were completed in November, and additional cost-reductions within their bids were made.

These cost reductions total \$40,470. However, \$60,317 in deferred items was noted and will be needed again at a later date. The total project deficit was determined to be \$133,104.

Commissioners decided they needed the extra time to look over the cost reductions and to possibly give the contractors a chance to review their bids.

The board also granted permission to the county Department of Social Services for a 90-day trial period for flexible work hours for its employees. The department feels the hour flexibility will allow its workers to provide better services to its clients.



MRS. HUNTER

## Mary L. Hunter Leaving System

Mrs. Mary Lang Hunter, Community Schools director for Warren County Schools, has accepted a position as Community Services director for Roanoke Rapids Graded School District, effective January 4, 1990.

Mrs. Hunter has worked for Warren County Schools for the past 9 and a half years, coming to the system after working for Vance-Granville Community College as Admissions Director for five years.

In her new position, Mrs. Hunter will direct public information and public relations for the system, as well as the Before and After School Care program, printing services, the system's volunteer program, school-business partnership program and local education fund.

Mrs. Hunter, a native of Farmville, is married to Richard E. Hunter, Jr., Warren County Clerk of Superior Court, and they have two sons, Lang and Ben.

## Collections Reported

Warren County's net collections of the local two-percent sales and use tax in October totaled \$72,327.38, a report from the N.C. Department of Revenue has shown.

Neighboring Franklin County's net collections totaled \$170,820.64, while \$447,890.31 was reported for nearby Halifax County. Northampton's October collections were \$52,595.70. Collections that month for Vance County totaled \$322,714.75.



**TAKE OATHS OF OFFICE**—Town Clerk Jean R. Frazier (foreground) administers oaths of office to members of Norlina's town board. Shown being officially installed Monday night are, from left, Mrs. Margaret Willis, James Knight, John A. Dore and James H. Hundley. Not present for the swearing in ceremony was commissioner Walter Newman. Earlier, Mrs. Frazier, acting in her capacity of notary public, administered the oath to Mayor W.K. (Bill) Delbridge. See story on page 1B.  
(Staff Photo by Howard Jones)

## Split Could Help Elect Black Congressman

# New Census Figures Are Likely To Bring Change To 2nd District

Speculation has begun already that the 1990 Census will force changes in the state's congressional districts, and many persons believe that the 2nd Congressional District—of which Warren County is now a part—will be one of those affected.

Prior to 1982, the 2nd District was comprised of 12 counties: Warren, Caswell, Edgecombe, Franklin, Granville, Halifax, Nash, Northampton, Orange, Person, Vance and Wilson.

The last redistricting, which took place in February of that year, created a 10-county district: Warren, Caswell, Durham, Edgecombe, Granville, Halifax, Nash, Person, Vance and Wilson.

Currently, the 2nd Congressional District is represented by Rep. Tim Valentine (D-Nash).

North Carolina's population growth, which has occurred in this decade, could entitle the state to a 12th seat in the U.S. House. In that event, the current 11 districts must be rearranged.

Rumors suggest that the 2nd District will be split into two parts. The speculation is that Durham, Warren and the other 2nd District counties east of Person, will comprise a new district whose residents will be predominantly black.

The possibility of sending the first black North Carolinian to Congress in modern times is believed to be a byproduct of the possible split.

North Carolina has a large number of hotly contested House districts. With the addition of a 12th seat, Democrats must decide whether to gamble on making a new district which is a sure thing for their party, or whether to concede the new district to Republicans.

Some politicians feel that giving the new district to Republicans will protect the incumbency of Rep. Steve Neal, of Winston-Salem, and Rep. Bill Hefner, of Concord. Their strategy would be the creation of a new district from counties which currently lean toward the Republican Party. The speculation is that the new district would be located in the western Piedmont, between Charlotte and Winston-Salem.

But many persons believe that Democrats are no longer assured of firm control in the General Assembly. Traditionally, Democrats have dominated redistricting, but that may no longer be the case. Capitol Hill Democrats now fear that if House Speaker Joe Mavretic keeps control of his Democratic-Republican coalition that now controls the House, Republicans will show their strength in redistricting.

Media reports have quoted Mavretic as follows: "To quote Congressional Quarterly, 'Partisanship has been one of the driving forces behind redistricting for many years.' As a lifelong Democrat, I do not expect that to change in 1991. However, as long as I am Speaker, all 119 seated

members shall have an opportunity to fully participate in the debates and discussions, and shall have equal access to any and all information which is available to the General Assembly and its staff. (Since we do not know whether North Carolina will receive a 12th House district following the 1990 Census, it would be inappropriate to speculate on the makeup of such a district."

Yet, the speculations continue. It is thought that black politicians are certain to seek a heavily black district. Beginning in the predominantly black areas of Durham, the new district would arch through Granville and Vance counties, and pick up some of the majority- or almost-majority-black counties of Warren, Halifax, Edgecombe, Northampton, Hertford and Bertie. Currently, Northampton, Hertford and Bertie are in the 1st district.

The new primarily black district could jeopardize the reelection of Valentine, who has been challenged by black candidates before.

Valentine won the 1982 nomination after finishing second in a three-man primary contest. Rep. H.M. (Mickey) Michaux led with 44 percent of the vote at first, but lost to Val-

entine in the two-man runoff which followed.

In 1984, Valentine won the Democratic nomination with 52 percent of the vote, defeating Kenneth B. Spaulding.

Both Spaulding and Michaux are black.

Under a new state law, nominations will go to a front-runner with at  
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## Rape Charge Hearing Set For Macon Man

A Macon man—confined since last month under \$25,000 bond in the Warren County Jail—will answer today (Wednesday) to a charge of first-degree statutory rape.

Otis Bullock, 17, of Rt. 1, Macon, was arrested on Nov. 28 by Sgt. Lawrence Harrison. The warrant alleges that he did "carnally know and abuse a child under the age of 13."

The suspect was given a 96-hour hearing on Nov. 29, but bond was neither reduced nor the terms of his confinement changed.

Judge Claude Allen, of Oxford, will preside over this week's session of Warren County District Court.

## Warren Record News Editor Takes Duke Law School Post

Ms. Thurlotta M. Brown, news editor and columnist for this paper, has been named director of admissions for the Duke University Law School. She succeeds Mrs. Deborah Wingood, who has accepted a position with LRN, a company which produced videocassettes for college recruitment. Ms. Brown will begin her new job, at first on a part-time basis, on Wednesday of next week. Full-time employment will begin in early January.

In her new position, Ms. Brown will carry out admissions policies as established by the deans and faculty of the school, and serve as an ex-officio member of the Law School Admissions Committee. She will also oversee the admissions office budget, direct recruitment and processing of applicants, direct the alumni applicant program and supervise admissions staff. In addition, she will oversee revisions and updating of literature and other materials distributed by the Law School admissions office.

"The work here at The Warren Record has really prepared me for that last responsibility," Ms. Brown said this week.

Other preparation for the new position has come from her years of experience as associate director of undergraduate admissions at Duke.

Before returning home to Warrenton at the close of 1985, except for a two-year hiatus, Ms. Brown had worked since February of 1971 in undergraduate admissions. There she coordinated the operational aspects of processing over 12,000 applications for Duke's freshman class, and over 800 applications for its transfer and January freshman class.

During the two-year hiatus, Ms. Brown was assistant program director for the Admissions Testing Program (ATP) for Educational Testing Service in Princeton, N.J. "Those are the SAT people," she said. At ETS, Ms. Brown worked with publications and revamped services made available to handicapped students, including having two forms of the SAT produced in braille, large-type and cassette. "The work there was satisfying and the people were very nice, but the temperature was too cold and I needed to get back to North Carolina," she said.

For the 1989 entering class, the Duke Law School received 3,501 applications for a first year class of 198. Total enrollment for the school, which ranks in the top 10 in the nation, is 608 students.

Ms. Brown, a 1971 alumna of Duke, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thurston T. Brown of Warrenton.

# Christmas Parade Is Planned Here Saturday Morning

Warren County's Christmas season will be officially under way as the 1989 Warrenton Christmas Parade begins Saturday morning at 11 a.m.

This year's parade will feature more than 60 entries, including WRAL-TV Sportscaster Tom Suiter as the grand marshal. The Hargrave Military Academy Band, as well as the Warren County High School and Vance High School bands, will be in attendance.

Floats entered into this year's parade will be divided into two categories: religious and commercial. There will be a first- and second-place prize in each category, of \$60 and \$40, respectively. The money for the float contest winners was given by the Warrenton Merchants Association.



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The parade will begin at the intersection of Wilcox and North Main streets and will continue to the intersection of South Main Street and Cousin Lucy's Lane. The route was changed from previous years to allow better traffic flow following the pa-

rade. Traffic will be blocked off at all other intersections throughout the town and will re-open once the parade ends.

For more information concerning this year's parade, call Diane Davis at 257-3341.

## Warren County High School Band Cancels Shrine Plans To Be Here

Warren County High School's Eagle Band will be marching down Warrenton's Main Street this weekend—instead of along the Charlotte parade route for the 53rd annual Shrine Bowl.

Band director James B. Powell said Tuesday morning that the Eagle band had been planning to participate in the Shrine Bowl since March. Final confirmation was received in August, and the task of learning the "Salute To The Beatles," the selection to be played by an ensemble of 31 bands during the half time pageant of the game, was begun.

The Eagle musicians had been scheduled to leave Warrenton at 3 a.m. on Saturday, en route to Charlotte. The 53rd annual Shrine Bowl, the nation's oldest prep all-star game, will kick off in Charlotte Memorial Stadium at 1:30 p.m.

But prior to game time, the more than 2,000 high school musicians were scheduled to rehearse together at 9:30 a.m. for the Shrine Bowl Parade at 11 a.m.

Warren County's Eagle Band will still march and play their instruments on Saturday at 11 a.m., but the location and selections will be different. Powell said the music for the Beatles' salute had been returned and was no longer available. The Eagle Band instead will serenade Warren's residents, who attend the town's annual Christmas Parade, with "The Brighter Side Of Christmas," a medley of traditional Christmas music.

"It would have been a truly educational experience for our students and we hope to be extended an invitation again," Powell said, "but our immediate allegiance is to all of our supporters here in Warren County."

## Warrenton Parade Line-Up

The following is a line-up for Saturday's Christmas parade, scheduled to begin at 11 a.m. Walking units should report to the parking lot behind John Graham Middle School off Wilcox Street at 10 a.m. Mobile units should report to the parking lot of Gilbert Manufacturing at 10 a.m. For further information, call Diane Davis at 257-3341.

1. Warrenton Police Car
2. Seymour-Johnson AFB Color Guard
3. Warren County High School Band
4. Grand Marshal—Tom Suiter
5. Warrenton Mayor B. G. White
6. Girl Scout Troop #115
7. Girl Scout Troop #666
8. Brownie Troop #77
9. Norlina Mayor Bill Delbridge
10. Essence Beauty Salon
11. Mace's Girls
12. Brownie Troop #538
13. Warren County High School Homecoming Court
14. Warren County High School Cheerleaders
15. Kearney's Texaco
16. Shriners
17. Lewis Rooker/Pete Vaughan-motorcycles
18. Boy Scout Troop #111
19. Robert Newell
20. Chris Newell
21. Macon Mayor M.C. Clary
22. Warren County Jaycees
23. Bertha Macon-Antique auto
24. Bertha Macon-Antique auto
25. Bertha Macon-Antique auto
26. Bertha Macon-Antique auto
27. Bertha Macon-Antique auto
28. Maxine Hutchins-clown
29. Brownie Troop #1111
30. Brownie Troop #1008
31. WPTM Radio
32. Merchants Association Grand Prize Winner
33. Smokey the Bear
34. Zion United Methodist Church
35. Stone Square Lodge #10
36. John Graham Middle School Homecoming Queen
37. Henderson Jr. High Homecoming Queen
38. Vance High School ROTC
39. Vance High School Band

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