



Wayne Overcash, Carolina Power and Light Company representative presents Outstanding Young Farmer Plaque to John Kilian, center. Others in the picture are mem-

bers of the selection committee. They are, left to right, Lewis Mustian, Bobby Allen, chairman, and Travis Pulley.

Kilian Named 'Outstanding Young Farmer'

John Kilian of Ridgeway was selected as "Outstanding Young Farmer of 1967" by the Warren County Junior Chamber of Commerce at their annual banquet and Christmas program held at the Warrenton Country Club on last Saturday night.

Kilian was selected over a number of young farmers in the county. The selection committee consisted of Robert V. Allen, chairman; Travis

Pulley and Lewis Mustian. Roy Pat Robertson, president of the chamber, said yesterday that after much study and field work the Jaycees felt that Kilian had a splendid farm program and well kept records to back up all of his farming activities. His entire income is derived from his farm.

Kilian was presented the Outstanding Young Farmer Plaque by Wayne Overcash of

the Carolina Power and Light Company, one of the sponsors of the project. Kilian also received a \$5.00 check from the Jaycees.

He will represent the Warren County Chamber next spring in State competition, and should he win there will enter national competition for Outstanding Young Farmer of the United States.

Kilian is married to the former Miss Ann Rackley of Smithfield. They have two children, Michael 4 1/2 and Daryl, 2 1/2. Mrs. Kilian is a former assistant Home Demonstration Agent for Warren County.

Gayle Harmon, "Miss Warren County," was a guest of the Jaycees and provided entertainment.

Jury Frees Defendant On Drunk Driving Charge

In the only jury case tried in Warren County Recorder's Court last Friday, Vance Nilows Neal, charged with drunk driving, was found not guilty. All cases before Judge Julius Banzet were concerned with violations of the motor vehicle laws.

Raymond Harold Griffin, charged with drunk driving, entered a plea of reckless driving. He was ordered to pay a \$50 fine and court costs.

Robert Carlton Jones, charged with drunk driving, also entered a plea of reckless driving. The judgment of the court was that the defendant surrender his operator's license for 60 days and not operate a motor vehicle on the public highways of the State for 60 days and pay a fine of \$100 and court costs.

Tom Lewis Rooker, charged with drunk driving, entered a plea of nolo contendere. He was ordered to pay a \$100 fine and court costs. The defendant gave notice of appeal to Superior Court and appearance bond was set at \$200.

Thomas Drake Perry, charged with drunk driving, entered a plea of reckless driving. Prayer for judgment was continued to Dec. 26, 1967.

Kernel Bud Johnson pled guilty to a charge of failing to comply with restrictions noted on license. He was ordered to pay court costs.

George Washington Freeman was ordered to pay a \$100 fine and court costs when he pled guilty to a charge of drunk driving.

Herman Delane Person, charged with having no operator's license, was found not guilty.

Lewis Taylor Harris, charged with having no operator's license, was found not guilty.

Defendants in speeding cases and verdicts of the court were as follows:

Thomas Harry Wenger, costs; James Daniel Green, costs; David Thomas Hight, costs.

Gwendolyn Davis Heads 4-H County Council

Gwendolyn Davis was installed as president of the Warren County 4-H Council at the annual 4-H Achievement program held at the John Graham High School Auditorium on Thursday of last week. Other officers installed were Ray Traylor, vice president; Danny Davis, secretary-treasurer; and Arlene Bender, reporter.

Miss Emily Ballinger, Extension Home Economics agent, served as installation officer.

As an entertainment part of the program, the "Warrenettes," Mattie Tunstall, Glenda Wright and Giannelli Tunstall, sang two special numbers.

Arlene Bender, secretary-treasurer of the Warren County Council, presided over the meeting. Costel Evans, council reporter, led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance and 4-H Pledge. Gwendolyn Davis gave the devotion.

Special guests were recognized by L. B. Hardage and G. W. Koonce. A roll call by clubs showed approximate-

ly 200 persons present. County Project Awards were presented as follows:

Arlene Bender-County winner in Achievement (girls), Citizenship (girl), Recreation, Crafts, Annual Flower Growing, Canning and Fruit and Vegetable Use Demonstration. She also received medals in the following projects: Clothing, Dairy, Dress Revue, Foods and Nutrition, Food Preservation, Health, Home Economics-Consumer Education and Photography; Claiborne Holtzman, Co-County winner in Achievement (Boy), County winner in Agriculture, Horticulture, Safety, Tractor, Personal Appearance (boy), Garden, Soybeans and Corn and medals in Field Crops, Science and Home Management; Sidney Fleming, Jr., Co-County winner in Achievement (boy), county winner in Poultry - Laying Flock Management and Forage Crops Demonstration and won medals in Agricultural, Field Crops Science, Health, Poultry. Edward Tunstall was

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Norlina Leads Schools In Attendance Record

Norlina High School leads the county in daily attendance at 97.1 per cent and Mariam Boyd is second with 97 per cent. Mrs. Heath L. Beckwith, Warren County School Attendance Officer, said yesterday.

Afton-Elberon, she said, has an average daily attendance of 96 per cent and John Graham and Macon follow at 95 per cent. Other schools are Littleton 94.7 per cent; Vaughan 94 per cent; South Warren 90.4 per cent; Northside 90 per cent; Halliwa 89.7 per cent; Hawkins 88 per cent; and North Warren 86 per cent.

Mrs. Beckwith said that earlier in the year The Warren Record carried a

headline stating that school attendance was off. The statement was correct, she said, as far as it went, but without a qualifying phrase it was not entirely true. The facts are that enrollment is off and, therefore, the county has 142 less children in school than it had at this time last year. There has been an average gain among the twelve schools (See LEADS, page 3)

Hurst To Receive Eagle Scout Award

Walter Hurst, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hurst of Warrenton, will receive his Eagle Scout Award at the regular morning worship service at Wesley Memorial Methodist Church Sunday.

Walter is a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 617, of which Thurman Batten is Scoutmaster.

Lions Decoration Contest To Be Held

The annual Lions sponsored Christmas Decorations Contest will again be held in Warrenton this year, Eddie Clayton, chairman, announced yesterday.

Judging will be for outside decoration only with three prizes being offered, Clayton said. First prize will be \$10; second \$5.00 and third \$3.00.

Judging will be on Friday, Dec. 22, and winners will be honor guests at a later meeting of the Lions Club.

Santa's Schedule

A. C. Fair of the Warrenton Merchants Association yesterday announced that Santa would be in his booth on the court house square on the following days and hours: Dec. 15-4 p. m. until 6 p. m.; Dec. 16-3 p. m. until 6 p. m.; Dec. 19-3 p. m. until 6 p. m.; Dec. 21-4 p. m. until 6 p. m.; Dec. 22-4 p. m. until 6 p. m.; Dec. 23-2 p. m. until 7 p. m.

Postoffice To Be Open Saturday P.M.

The Warrenton Postoffice will remain open until 5 p. m. on the two Saturdays prior to Christmas, Dec. 16 and Dec. 23. A. C. Blalock, postmaster, announced this week.

Every piece of mail available on Saturday morning, Dec. 23, will be delivered on the three rural routes and on the two city-delivery routes, he said. There will be no deliveries on these routes on Sunday and on Christmas Day. Post Office box holders will receive their mail as usual on both these days.

Blalock said that throughout the entire year the postoffice windows are open for service all day Wednesday. They do not close on Wednesday afternoon.

Ellis Fleming, postmaster at Manson, also announced yesterday that the Manson Postoffice would be open on Saturdays, Dec. 16 and 23, until 5 p. m.

Draft Board Will Be Closed For Holiday

The Warren County Draft Board here will be closed from Dec. 18 to Dec. 27, while the clerk, Mrs. Thomas Ellington, is on leave. G. D. Horne, chairman, announced Monday.

Horne asks that boys whose birthday falls on the days when the office will be closed to report for registration on Dec. 27.

CHRISTMAS MUSIC

The Adult Choir of the Warrenton Baptist Church will present a program of Christmas music under the direction of Mrs. Glenn Weldon on Sunday, Dec. 17, at 7:30 p. m. at the church. The public is invited.

School Building Bids To Be Opened Dec. 21

Funds For Water Tank

Bond Issue Passes By Overwhelming Vote

Signing Of Agreement Postponed

The signing of an agreement with the State Highway Commission for improvement on U. S. Highway 158 Business and secondary road No. 1305, Main Street, was deferred at the regular meeting of the Town Commissioners Monday night.

Reason given for the deferment was in order to give Town Attorney Charles Johnson more time for study of the proposed agreement.

The purchase of a flame gun for use in asphalt street repairs was referred to the Street Committee.

The board authorized Christmas presents for the weekly employees of the Street and Water Department in the amount of \$50, the same as in prior years.

Other business during the short session of the board was of a routine nature.

In light balloting Tuesday, Warrenton voters gave overwhelming approval to a \$100,000 bond issue for funds to erect a water tank at a site on the Fair Grounds.

The vote was 149 for; 3 against.

In the recent town election for Mayor and Commissioners 362 votes were cast, which is about normal for the town, Town Manager J. Ed Rooker said yesterday. However, he said in the last bond issue to improve the town's water system only 180 votes were cast.

Rooker said that it is expected that bids for the erection of a water tank here would be called for the latter part of January.

Although the voters authorized the issuance of \$100,000, town officials say it is doubtful that all of this amount

will be issued. They have expressed the hope that a federal grant may be obtained to pay up to 60 per cent of the cost, although this is by no means certain.

Warrenton's 75,000-gallon water tank was destroyed in a warehouse fire here the latter part of last summer when heat caused the tank's legs to buckle and the structure to crash. The new tank, to be located at a site away from any buildings at the Fair Grounds, will be 150,000-gallon capacity.

Pressure has been maintained in the water mains since the fire by a leased emergency pressure tank of 50,000-gallon capacity.

Town officials say that no increase in the tax rate is anticipated in order to retire the bonds which are to be retired with funds received from an increase in the water and sewer rate.

Committee To Appraise Property

Bids for the construction of a 13-class room addition to the Mariam Boyd Elementary School at Warrenton will be opened in the school administration conference room at 2 p. m. on Thursday Dec. 21.

This was revealed at the regular December meeting of the Board of Education on Monday night.

In addition to the 13 classrooms, the proposed building will contain a multi-purpose room and an administrative office. Supt. J. Roger Peeler said yesterday that if the bid is accepted at the Dec. 21 meeting, that it is hoped that early construction can be started early in January.

Also to be heard at the December 21 meeting of the board will be a report of a special committee to appraise school property adjacent to the Mariam Boyd School belonging to Mr. and Mrs. Barker Williams. Mrs. Williams appeared before the Board of Education Monday night to discuss the value of her property for which she is asking \$2,205 per acre.

Following the discussion, Acting Board Chairman Dr. S. H. Massey appointed Board member Gid F. Alston to a committee to appraise the land. He is to appoint two other appraisers and make his report to the board at the Dec. 21 meeting.

In other action, the board approved provisions of a sick leave policy for employees not covered by the State Board of Education policy.

It was announced that the ESEA office had approved pay for teachers and supervisors on the 25th of each calendar month instead of at the end of each 20-day working period.

It was also announced that the State Board of Education had approved the payment of \$600 on Ernestine Alexander's hospital bill. Miss Alexander was injured in a school bus accident at Vaughan last year.

A low bid in the amount of \$3,212.92 for a panel truck from Sir Walter Chevrolet Company in Raleigh was accepted by the board. The truck was purchased under state contract.

R. A. Clark, Highway patrolman who has been transferred to Aoshkie, submitted his resignation as a member of the Norlina School Board, which was accepted with regrets.

The resignation of Alfred Oxendine, teacher at Halliwa School, effective Jan. 5, was accepted.

The board approved the selection of the following personnel: Mrs. Sue King, replacing Mrs. Emily Perkins as audio - visual aid clerk, ESEA program; Mrs. Helen Shearin, nurse, ESEA program; and Mrs. Betty W. Neville as kindergarten teacher at Halliwa School.

The board approved the sick leave extension of Mrs. Carolyn Ricks of Littleton and approved the assignment of Carlton Walthall and James Walthall to the Vaughan Elementary School.

Miss Edwina Rooker spent the weekend in New York.

Misses Sue Thompson and Cathryn Brown of Inez visited Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Thompson and family in Franklinton Wednesday.



STEPHEN R. NORVELL

Haitcock Funeral Held On Wednesday

Funeral services for Mrs. Grace N. Haitcock, 48, were conducted Wednesday at 4 p. m. at the Warrenton Baptist Church by the pastor, the Rev. John R. Link. Burial was in Fairview Cemetery.

Mrs. Haitcock died Monday at Warren General Hospital after a long illness. She was a member of the Warrenton Baptist Church.

She is survived by her husband, Gordon Haitcock; two daughters, Cynthia Elizabeth and Pamela Haitcock, both of the home; her mother, Mrs. C. E. Neal of Epsom; one brother, J. W. Neal of Goldsboro; and two sisters, Mrs. C. B. Jay of Henderson and Mrs. P. G. Boyd of Louisburg.

Certification Days Announced By Farrar

Certification Days for Surplus Commodities were announced this week by Julian W. Farrar, Warren County Welfare Director.

He said that certifications would be held in the Grand Jury Room in the Court House Monday through Friday from 8:30 a. m. to 5:15 p. m.

Needy persons must be certified by the Welfare Department before they become eligible for surplus commodities which will be distributed in the county this year.

"MESSIAH" TO BE GIVEN

The Senior-Adult Choir of the Warrenton Baptist Church will present the Christmas part of Handel's "Messiah" on Sunday morning at the worship hour. Robert Macon Davis is the director and Mrs. Monroe Gardner is the organist.

Warren Man Decorated For Courageous Action

A Warren County soldier has been presented the Air Force Medal for heroism beyond and above the call of duty, it was learned here this week.

S/Sgt. Stephen R. Norvell, presently stationed at Det. 1, 444 FIS, New Airport, Wilmington, N. C., was presented the Airman Medal by Major Gene Hayes, Commander of Det. 44FIS.

S/Sgt. Norvell, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry E. Norvell of Wise, received the Air Force Medal while on duty at Ubon Air Force Base in Thailand of heroism. His citation reads:

"Airman First Class Stephen R. Norvell distinguished himself by heroism involving voluntary risk of life at Ubon Air Force Base, Thailand, on 27 April 1967. On that date, Airman Norvell, ob-

erving an F-4C aircraft engulfed in flames on the active runway, rushed to the scene to aid the crew members in their escape. Realizing that the burning aircraft was loaded with highly explosive ordnance, Airman Norvell drove his vehicle to within 75 feet of the burning aircraft to rescue the dazed, injured, and disoriented crew members. He exited his vehicle, physically picked up the crew members, and assisted them into the truck just as the load of ordnance exploded. The crew members would never have cleared the lethal radius of the explosion without the quick thinking and courageous action of Airman Norvell. The exemplary courage and heroism displayed by Airman Norvell reflect great credit upon himself and the United States Air Force."