

## One Man Shot, Another Bitten At Dance Hall

One man was bitten and another shot in a series of violent incidents at a night spot near here on Saturday night that has resulted in the arrest of three Warren County men.

Ozell Towns, Parktown Negro, was felled with a blast from a double-barreled 12-gauge shotgun after he had threatened the owner of a Negro dance hall located two miles west of here on the Warrenton-Henderson Highway.

Zack Miller, proprietor of Miller's Club, told Warren County Deputies R. D. Chewning and B. G. Stevenson, and Wiley D. Vaughan, Warrenton Township constable, that he shot Towns after being threatened with a hawkbill knife shortly after 8 o'clock Saturday night.

According to Constable Vaughan, the series of incidents began when Lonnie Burnette, Warrenton Negro, appeared drunk at Miller's Club. Miller and Burnette got into a fight after Miller had ordered the inebriated man from the premises.

During the fight Miller, who told the investigating officers that Burnette had advanced on him with a knife, bit Burnette in the forehead. Shortly after the fight, officers were summoned.

After getting their report, the officers left. As they drove away, Towns, who was at the club during the episode, challenged Miller to "pick on somebody your own size."

According to evidence ob-

tained later, Towns then whipped a knife from his pocket and walked toward Miller. Miller went into his dance hall and returned with a shotgun.

Officers said that Miller apparently fired at Towns' feet in an effort to get the man to retreat, but shot hit Towns in the face and body.

He was taken to Warren General Hospital, but was later taken to Henderson's Jubilee Hospital, where his condition was described as serious.

Both Miller and Towns were charged with assault with a deadly weapon. Burnette was charged with assault with a deadly weapon and public drunkenness.

Burnette and Miller were released from jail under bond on Monday, according to Constable Vaughan.

### John G. Ellis Dies On Sunday

Funeral services for John Gary Ellis, 77, who died on Sunday were conducted on Tuesday at Wesley Memorial Methodist Church by the pastor, the Rev. Troy Barrett. Interment was in Fairview Cemetery.

Mr. Ellis, a native of Northampton County, came to Warrenton around 1914 as cashier of the Bank of Warren and served in an official capacity with this bank until his resignation in the late twenties to assume other business interests. In later years he was employed by Hunter Drug Store until ill health forced his retirement.

He was a member of Wesley Memorial Methodist Church, the Johnson Caswell Lodge No. 10, AF&AM, and a member of Sudan Temple Shrine.

Mr. Ellis is survived by his wife, the former Laura Burwell; three daughters, Mrs. A. C. Blalock, Jr., and Mrs. W. E. Spruill, both of Warrenton, and Mrs. George Todd of Los Angeles, Calif.; two sisters, Miss Lucy Ellis and Mrs. Sarah Stephenson of Garysburg; one brother, Horace Ellis of Garysburg; and ten grandchildren.

### Davis Funeral Held Saturday

Funeral services for Edward Dameron Davis, 66, were held at Wesley Memorial Methodist Church on Saturday at 2:30 p. m. by the Rev. Troy Barrett, pastor. Interment was in Fairview Cemetery.

Mr. Davis, a retired contractor, died at Warren General Hospital on Friday, following a stroke at his home on Thursday afternoon. He had served as a steward at the local Methodist Church for a number of terms. He received his education at Lees McRae College in the western part of the state.

Survivors include his wife, the former Harriet Tharrington; one daughter, Mrs. Selby Benton of Warrenton; five sons, William Edward Davis of Reidsville, Harold T. Davis of Goldsboro, the Rev. Herbert Charles Davis of High Point, Joseph Davis of Chapel Hill, Thomas Peete Davis of Apex; two sisters, Mrs. James Seward of Middleton, Va., and Mrs. C. G. Lawrence of Salmas, Calif.; two brothers, George W. Davis and Ernest Davis, both of Inez; and 13 grandchildren.

**Methodist Service**  
A sermon on Martin Luther's commentary on the 46th Psalm and on the hymn, "A Mighty Fortress is Our God," will be given during the regular 11 o'clock worship service at the Wesley Memorial Methodist Church here on Sunday.

Mrs. Woodall in Hospital  
Mrs. W. B. Woodall of Warrenton is a patient at Duke Hospital in Durham following a fall suffered at her home on Wednesday morning.



STUNG BY SLUG — Young Ronnie Tharrington, 5-year-old Warrenton County boy, was stung by a "wooly slug" near here on Tuesday afternoon. The boy suffered no bad aftereffects and was treated at Warren General Hospital here. (Staff Photo)

## Wooly Slug Stings Warren Co. Youth

A five-year-old Warren County boy was painfully stung by a "wooly slug" as he played in woods near his home between Macon and Embro on Tuesday afternoon.

Ronnie Tharrington, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. R. Tharrington of Route 2, Macon, was taken to Warren General Hospital where he was treated for the sting, the first such sting to be treated at the local hospital.

Ronnie was released from the hospital shortly after being admitted and apparently suffered no ill effects from the sting.

The "wooly slug," a strange type of caterpillar which can cause shock in adults and possible death to children, generated talk here several weeks ago when it was first discovered in the county.

County Agricultural Agent F. W. Reams said that during the past week he had received numerous calls from county citizens who had discovered the "wooly slug" near their homes.

Reams said that apparently the caterpillar has begun the transformation from caterpillar to moth, for a number of specimens he had in his office have already spun cocoons.

This was the first year that the "wooly slug" has been found in Warren County, and Reams said yesterday that a great deal of uncertainty still exists as to the insect's life habits or geographical distribution.

**To Sell Pumpkins**  
The Shady Grove-Bethlehem Methodist Parsonage will sell pumpkins on Saturday afternoon, October 29, from 2 to 4 o'clock. The pumpkin sale will be held on Dan Limer's lot, across from Rose's 5-10-25c Store.

**Bake Sale**  
The Little Garden Club will have a bake sale on Tuesday, October 25, at Traylor's Appliance Store from 10 until 12 noon. Homemade cakes, pies, cookies, rolls, candies and etc. will be on display.

## Revival Will Begin Sunday At Norlina Baptist Church

Revival services will begin at the Norlina Baptist Church on Sunday, October 23, and will continue each evening through October 27 at 7:30 o'clock.

The Rev. Meredith K. Robinson, pastor of the Ridge Baptist Church in Richmond, Va., will be the guest minister.

The Rev. Malcolm Hutton, pastor of the Norlina church, said that the revival is being held in conjunction with the special attendance being conducted at the church. He said Sunday there were 214 present in Sunday School, marking the first time in recent years more than 200 have been present for two Sundays in a row. The special campaign will continue through the next two Sundays.

"The amazing response to the campaign continues," Mr. Hutton commented yesterday. "It is our hope the interest will continue through the week of the revival and will consequently mark a new interest on the part of all members of our church for years to come."

Mr. J. R. Harris of Victoria, Va., was in Warrenton on Thursday.

## Only Seven Cases Tried In Recorder's Court Last Week

Only seven cases were tried in Warren County Recorder's Court before Judge Julius E. Banzet on last Thursday and Friday. Court was held on both Thursday and Friday because court officials had to be absent most of Friday.

Those cases tried on Thursday before Judge Banzet included: George Washington Vaughan, walking on wrong side of road, one-half of costs of court; Tony Cordy Milam, Jr., speeding, costs; Zola Franklin Wright, speeding, costs.

Barbara Kraker Katsenslein, expired operator's license, \$25 (See COURT, page 13)

**Rotary Club Meets**  
The Warrenton Rotary Club held its regular dinner meeting at Hotel Warren on Tuesday night with C. P. Gaston, president, presiding. A discussion was held on the sale of calendars.

## Appeal On Closing Depot To Be Heard In Civil Court

A case to determine whether or not the court will overrule the North Carolina Utilities Commission on an order closing the Warren Plains freight depot is scheduled to be heard in Warren County Civil Term of Superior Court on Monday.

The October term of court will open on Monday morning with Judge Leo Carr of Burlington presiding.

Plaintiff in the action will be the State of N. C. Ex Rel. Util., and the defendants are C. E. Rodwell, Claude T. Bow-

ers, W. A. Miles, et als.

Several weeks ago the North Carolina Utilities Commission granted the Seaboard Airline Railway Company permission to close its freight depot at Warren Plains and combine the Warren Plains office with the Norlina freight office.

The railroad company in its petition to the Utilities Commission claimed that service to the Warrenton Railroad Company would not be adversely affected by closing the Warren Plains depot, but a number of

Warrenton businessmen took exception to this claim and opposed the closing of the depot. While the Utilities Commission granted the Seaboard the right to close its depot at Warren Plains, it denied that part of the petition which would permit the removal of the depot before a six months trial period.

The Warrenton Railroad Company connects with the Seaboard at Warren Plains and the bulk of the freight from the Warren Plains Station has been originating on the Warrenton Railroad Company lines. Local interests were still of the opinion that closing the Warren Plains depot, in spite of a six months trial period, would adversely affect the Warrenton Railroad Company and business in Warrenton, and through their attorney, John Kerr, Jr., appealed the case to the Superior Court.

Elizabeth Park; Kate W. Mayfield vs. N. C. State Highway Commission; M. P. Harton et ux vs. N. C. State Highway Commission.

Wednesday—R. W. Thornton, by Lewis C. Lawrence, trustee, vs. Ernest Brewer and A. M. Poe; Robert D. Chewning vs. William M. Goode; Nathaniel Green vs. W. Faulk Alston.

Thursday—E. Graham King, A. C. King and S. D. King, trading as King Feed Company, vs. R. L. Topping, Jr., and Richard Drewry; E. Graham King, A. C. King and B. D. King, trading as King Feed & Grocery Co., vs. R. L. Topping, Jr., and Lawrence McPhail; Holt Stallings et ux vs. Clyde Adams et ux.

Friday—H. M. Williams et ux vs. Howard Hawkins et ux. (See CLOSING, page 12)

## Effort Made To Obtain Doctor For Norlina-Wise Area

Recognizing the need for an additional practicing physician to serve the North-Western segment of Warren County, interested parties have consulted together to try to solve the problem.

Mayor C. P. Grissom, Dr. H. H. Foster, and other concerned citizens met recently with Julian Farrar, Superintendent of Public Welfare, and Dr. W. B. Jones, Warren County Health Director. As a result of this meeting, letters were sent to various medical schools in the hope that graduating physicians would be attracted to the area.

Letters from the heads of the schools indicated that the faculties are also interested in placing physicians in communities which need them, Farrar said yesterday.

"The Norlina-Wise area is a prosperous, friendly, and attractive community," Farrar said. "We certainly hope that a physician will want to make his home there, and that more medical services will be made available to the people of this area."

## Playful Cat Leads To Snake's Death

LITTLETON — A playful cat led to the death of a snake at a Littleton home on Friday night.

Lloyd Salmon, Jr., returned to his home around 9:30 on Friday night and upon entering the door noticed his cat playing with something under the steps. He managed to get his cat away and found a highland moccasin snake. He summoned help and the snake was killed.

His aunt had recently been bitten by the snake which was under the doorsteps. She is doing nicely after having been treated at the Roanoke Rapids Hospital.—Mrs. J. E. Stansbury.

## Dr. Jones Talks On Public Health Church Meeting

Dr. W. Burns Jones, Warren County Health Director, was guest speaker at the Couples Child Study Club of the Warrenton Baptist Church on Monday evening. He used as his topic, "Public Health Services in the Community for Children."

Dr. Jones stated that public health is community health in action and involves all interested persons and community agencies working together for the welfare of the child. Public health, he said, is concerned with the total life of a child, including mental, as well as physical. He then answered questions from the group pertaining to parents responsibility for public health.

The regular dinner meeting was held at the church with W. L. Turner, president, in charge. Plans were made for donating clothing to some needy children.

Hostesses for the occasion were Mrs. F. M. Farmer, Mrs. John R. Link and Mrs. H. E. Shaw.

## Scout Training Course Being Held At Church

The Bright Leaf Girl Scout Council is conducting a Basic Leadership Training Course in the Fireside Room of the Warrenton Methodist Church.

The course which began on Monday will be continued for the next three weeks with meetings on each Monday and Wednesday mornings from 10 to 12 o'clock.

Teachers of the course are Miss Pat Marks and Mrs. Ralph Wickersham of the Durham Office and leaders from Granville, Vance and Warren counties are enrolled. Any interested adults in Warren County desiring to take this course are asked to contact Mrs. R. B. Butler for further details.

Mrs. Wickersham said here this week that there is a great need for more adult leaders and for more adult interest in Girl Scouting. She pointed out that plans for one troop had to be abandoned for lack of an

adult leader. "Girl Scouting is more than a club, which is formed by a few girls whose interests coincide for the moment," Mrs. Wickersham said. "Girl Scouting gives girls continuity and a variety of ever-expanding activities."

Small democratic groups of girls, called troops, make their own plans and elect their own officers. Their grownup friends, the leaders, help them focus their interest long enough to carry out their plans.

The aim of the Girl Scout organization is to inspire girls "with the highest ideals of character, conduct and patriotism, and service that they may become happy and resourceful citizens." Based on a nonsectarian code of ethics, Scouting encourages girls of every faith to live up to the ideals of their own religion.

Mrs. Wickersham said that (See COURSE, page 13)



W. R. BASKERVILL

## Baskerville Rites To Be Held At Episcopal Church

Funeral services for William Rust Baskerville, 91, will be conducted from Emmanuel Episcopal Church here this afternoon (Friday) at 3 o'clock by the rector, the Rev. L. E. Baxter. Interment will be in Fairview Cemetery.

Mr. Baskerville died early Thursday morning at his home here, where he had been ill for several months.

The son of the late Dr. Robert Dortch and Betty Alexander Baskerville of Eureka, Va. Mecklenburg County, Va., Mr. Baskerville had a wide family connection in North Carolina and Virginia. He came to Warrenton with his family in 1929.

He was a former town commissioner, a Mason, and a former vestryman of St. Andrew's Episcopal Church at Baskerville, Va.

Mr. Baskerville is survived by his wife, the former Sallie Burwell of Mecklenburg County, Va.; two sons, William R. Baskerville of Eureka, Va., and Robert Dortch Baskerville of New Bern; two daughters, Mrs. John Van Pelt and Mrs. Hatcher Cranshaw, Jr., both of Richmond, Va.; a brother, Dr. George Baskerville of Greenwood, Miss.; and nine grandchildren.



HOMECOMING QUEEN—Millie Peeler, 17-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Peeler of Warrenton, was selected Homecoming Queen during activities held at the Warrenton-Littleton game here on last Friday night.

Runnerup to Miss Peeler was Ginger Tucker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Allen Tucker of Warrenton. Other finalists were Judith Adams and Peggy Norwood.

Homecoming Queen candidates also included Kay Fair, Knox Polk, Sylvia Davis, Joyce Gupton, and Sandra Liles. Miss Peeler, crowned by Warrenton co-captains Mason Beach, Bill Clark and Clinton Neal during halftime ceremonies, is a member of the John Graham Beta Club, active in student government, and has been a class officer for three years. (See account of football game on page two.)