



**FIRST CHECK** — A check for \$100 is turned over to Mrs. S. W. Walker, secretary for the Warren County 4-H development fund, by T. P. Hicks, chairman of the fund-raising drive in the Drewry community. The first of an anticipated \$1500 from 20 Warren communities, the money will be added to a state fund which will be used to further 4-H work in the state by the establishment of scholarships and awards for club members. Warren's quota of \$1500, to be raised on a proportionate basis among the participating communities, is expected to be reached by the end of this month, according to County Chairman Paul Lancaster, shown above looking on as the first check is presented. According to Mrs. Erich Hecht, vice-chairman of the county committee, all community chairmen are reporting satisfactory progress toward their quotas.

## Board Okehs Well At Vaughan School

Steps to remedy a critical water shortage at a large Warren County Negro elementary school were taken here Monday night at the regular meeting of the county Board of Education.

The five-man board voted to sink more than \$2100 into the drilling of a new well at the Vaughan Elementary School eleven miles east of here after School Superintendent J. Roger Peeler reported that lack of water from the school's lone water supply—a deep well located on the school grounds—was causing school children undue inconvenience.

Currently the 650 students attending the school are supplied with water from a well which should produce approximately 20 gallons of water per minute to fully meet the school's needs.

"At present we are getting only about two gallons of water per minute and we are not sure how long that much will be available," Peeler said.

Members discussed the situation with Manley Martin, local well contractor before voting to hire a contractor to drill a new well. Upon Martin's recommendation, a Wake County firm was given the contract because of the time limit.

The cost of the drilling, expected to be begun today, will be seven dollars per foot. Board members said they were willing to spend funds sufficient to have a 300-foot well

drilled. The cost of a pump will be added to the drilling cost.

Whether or not water is obtained by drilling a new well is something of a hit-or-miss proposition, Martin told the board. However, indications were quite favorable that water would be found by the time the well reached the 300-foot depth.

In other business transacted by the board, it was decided that the Snow Hill building would be advertised for sale, along with the Liberia school building. Both buildings—formerly used as Negro elementary schools—are now unoccupied.

The election of Joseph Washington as a teacher at North Warren High School was approved and the board voted to confirm the sale of an old truck to J. H. Gardner for \$25.

## Bible Class Holds Ladies Night

Members of the Allen Bible Class of the Warrenton Baptist Church held their annual Ladies Night at the John Graham High School cafeteria on Wednesday night.

Some 90 persons, including members of the class, and their wives and sweethearts were present to enjoy a barbecue supper prepared and served by Forsyth's of Henderson.

The Rev. Troy J. Barrett was the guest speaker.

## Gross Retail Sales Up In Warren County

Gross retail sales in Warren County for August, 1961, showed an increase of nearly one fourth over such sales in August, 1960, according to the November issue of "The Retailer" official magazine of the North Carolina Merchants Association.

Gross sales in August of this year were \$1,109,833, compared with \$895,405, in 1961. This \$214,418, or slightly more than 23.9 per cent.

This compares with a \$9,801, represented an increase of 896 cents in the state for the same period—from \$446,531,336 to \$544,544,934, or slightly less than 22 per cent.

## Thanksgiving Service To Be Held

A union Thanksgiving service will be held at Emmanuel Episcopal Church at Warrenton on Wednesday, November 22, at 7:30 p. m.

The Rev. Troy J. Barrett, pastor of the Methodist Church, will deliver the sermon, "Thanksgiving in Three Dimensions," and ministers of other churches will participate in the service.

Members of all churches are invited to attend the service.

## PLEASE NOTE

Due to the Thanksgiving holiday next Thursday, The Warren Record next week will be printed on Wednesday instead of Thursday. For this reason the advt. deadline will be advanced to Tuesday at noon, and correspondents at Littleton, Norlina, Ridgeway and other sections of the county are requested to have their copy in by Tuesday morning instead of Wednesday morning. Early sending of all copy and advertisements will be greatly appreciated.

## Officers Capture Two Men In Raid In Roanoke Twhp

ABC and ATU officers and a Warren County Deputy Sheriff nabbed two men and destroyed a whiskey still in Roanoke Township on Saturday morning.

Arrested at the still were Robert Anthony Shearin and Henry Otis Goysey, both white. Brought to Warren County jail, each posted a \$500 bond for his appearance in Warren County Recorder's Court today (Friday).

Officers on the raid were ABC Officers Watkins and Mimms of Vance County, ATU officers Hart and Campbell, and Deputy Sheriff Loyd Newsum.

Sheriff Jim Hundley said yesterday that the still, which had been under surveillance for some time, had just started operation at the time of the raid and no whiskey was found. A third man at the still when the officers approached made his escape.

The officers destroyed a 6-foot upright still with a 360 gallon capacity and 2640 gallons of mash. In addition they confiscated a 1958 Ford car found at the still.

## Farmers Urged To Return Cards

Although tobacco and peanut farmers are required by program regulations to return their marketing cards to the local ASCS County Office at the close of the marketing season, W. S. Smiley, Chairman of the ASC County Committee, predicts that again this year many farmers will neglect to return their marketing card and will have their 1962 allotment reduced because of their neglect.

Last year, according to Smiley, several producers in the State had their 1961 allotment reduced for failure to return marketing cards and other violations. These few farmers, compared with the 157,350 tobacco and peanut farmers in the State, represent a small percentage. However, failure to return these cards definitely hurts the farmers whose allotments are reduced and it also slows up the work in the ASCS County Office considerably.

Smiley says that regulations provide that the producer must return each tobacco or peanut marketing card issued for the farm to the county office within thirty days after the close of the markets in the general locality. Many farmers, he said, put off returning their tobacco and peanut marketing cards, until it is too late.

"If all farmers return their marketing cards as soon as they finish selling their 1961 crop," Smiley said, "they will greatly facilitate the admin."

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## One Shot, One Cut In Filling Station Fight

A cutting and shooting scrape in a Negro operated filling station at Norlina Saturday night resulted in one man being shot in the stomach and another being severely cut.

Henderson Townes, 34, was identified as the victim of the gunshot wound. After receiving emergency attention at Jubilee Hospital in Henderson Townes was taken to Duke Hospital in Durham for further treatment.

Victim of the cutting was listed as Henry Henderson, whose wounds required some 23 stitches at Jubilee Hospital.

Henderson was brought to the Warren County jail early Sunday morning, charged with assault with a deadly weapon. Tuesday morning he was released under \$500 bond.

Warren Deputy Sheriff and Jailer Herbert Rooker said yesterday that a preliminary hearing was being delayed pending the outcome of Townes' injuries. He said that he understood that Townes was getting along alright.

The fight occurred at Midway Service Station on Highway 1 at Norlina. The station is operated by Henry Thomas.

During the fight in which Townes was shot in the stomach, Henderson was severely slashed around the right jaw and neck.

Rooker said that he had been able to learn little about the cause of the fight, as the men had been taken to Henderson before Warren County authorities were notified.

## Young Pianist Wins Plaudits of Audience

A highly appreciative and enthusiastic audience listened in almost stunned silence on Tuesday night as Tasker Polk presented a brilliant piano concert of compositions by Bach, Beethoven, Chopin, Liszt and Aaron Copland. The program was sponsored by the John Graham-Mariam Boyd P. T. A.

to raise funds for the local schools and officials were very gratified by the turnout.

Giving hometown music lovers and visitors from several other counties a preview of the concert to be presented later this month in Washington, D. C., the young artist performed in masterful style and delighted the audience with his unusual keyboard technique.

Time after time Polk, of rather slight build, attacked the keyboard with real athletic vigor producing tremendous volume from the Steinway Concert Grand yet maintaining beautiful tonal quality. In sharp contrast were many moments when his audience was held spellbound in tense anticipation of the next soft touch of melodious to one expressing moods of ecstasy from souls of some of the world's greatest composers.

Polk, who is studying with Dr. Robert Carter, noted pianist and teacher at East Carolina College, recently gained National fame by winning the International Bach Festival competition and the opportunity to be presented in a paid debut in the nation's Capital before music critics from all over the world.

Other appearances by Polk are scheduled for Lumberton, Durham, and Raleigh in the near future. He will also appear throughout the State as piano soloist with the North Carolina Symphony during the 1961-62 season.

## Busted Boiler Closes School At Littleton

LITTLETON — After losing two days this week due to a faulty boiler, students at Littleton High School have been assigned to various places in town in order to resume classes.

The boiler developed a bad leak during the weekend and it is undetermined just when students will be able to resume school in the main building, according to Principal Cody Robinson. Work was begun as soon as the leak was discovered on Monday morning, but the students lost Monday and Tuesday of this week.

The elementary grades have been assigned as follows: grades one through three, Baptist Church; grades four through six, Methodist Church and grades seven and eight will have their classes at the Community Building. School buses are transporting students to and from school to these locations.

High School classes are being divided between the gymnasium, the Home Ec. building and the Agriculture building, which are heated with another unit.

Bag lunches with milk are being served with extra milk available for grades one through eight.

High school students will continue to eat in the lunch room.

All elementary grades will return to the school to leave at the customary hour of 3:21 p. m., except grades one and two, which will leave from their assigned places.

## Warrenton Lions Host Blind People

The Warrenton Lions Club was host to some 18 blind persons at its regular meeting at Hotel Warren on last Friday night.

A. A. Wood, chairman of Lions Blind Committee, introduced the guests and recognized Mrs. Agnes Parnell, district blind case worker. She made a few remarks and led the blind in playing a few games and singing a few songs.

The meeting was also featured by a talk on Farm-City Relations by W. H. Bender, county chairman of the Farm-City Relations Committee. He was presented by Nat White, who was in charge of the program.

Bender spoke on the relationship of farm and city people and said that farmers and townsmen through cooperation could build stronger communities, stronger towns and a stronger county.

The farmer and the merchant need each other, Bender said.

The merchant needs the farmer and the farmer needs the merchant. The relationship between town and country should be strengthened, he said, by business contacts and by personal contacts.

Bender pointed out that the problem of city-farmer relations is much simpler in a county such as Warren than it is in the more urban county.

A community of interest between citizens of small towns and farmers exists and only needs to be strengthened. He said that conditions for rural-city relationships are ideal in Warren County.

President Duke Jones presided over the meeting. The Rev. E. W. Baxter gave the invocation. Lion Monroe Gardner led the club singing with Lioness Nellie Gardner at the piano.

Mrs. V. T. Lamm visited in Durham this week.

## Date For Sub-Division Hearing To Be Dec. 4

A public hearing will be held by the County Commissioners in the Warren County courthouse on Monday, December 4, at 11 a. m. to hear the views of the public on proposed sub-division regulations for Warren County.

The meeting was called this week by the commissioners after the Warren County Planning Board had discussed proposals covered by the sub-division regulations with the commissioners and asked for a public hearing, and followed a meeting of commissioners from Warren, Halifax and Northampton Counties at Roanoke Rapids on Thursday night of last week.

The commissioners met with the planning boards of the three counties and at that time Warren decided to call for a public hearing on December 4 at 11 o'clock and Halifax decided to hold its public hearing on the same day at 3 p. m.

Northampton County did not set a date for the public hearing on the regulations which concern the area around the proposed Gaston Lake to be created upon the completion of the Virginia and Electric Power Company's Gaston Dam.

Tri-County Planning Board members at the Roanoke Rapids meeting were urged "to speed up sub-division planning," by Marvin Newsom, board chairman.

Around 18 men gathered to hear Robert D. Barbour, Director of Community Planning of the N. C. Department of Conservation and Development, explain some phases of the regulations.

Proper development of the 350 miles of shoreline around the "soon to be formed by Gaston Lake" is the major objective of the Tri-County Board which in February voted to approve bearing the costs of \$15,000 for planning and other expenses.

Counties will pay this cost on a shoreline basis with Warren County paying 40 per cent for their 58 per cent of the North Carolina shoreline and the remaining 60 per cent by Halifax and Northampton. Halifax has 19 per cent and Northampton 23 per cent of the shoreline. A substantial amount of the lake's shoreline will be in Brunswick and Mecklenburg Counties in Virginia.

These sub-division regulations will pertain to the whole county, though zoning laws can be made for the lake area alone.

The brief meeting centered mostly around the need for reshaping government planned regulations to suit "local" needs.

Harvey Woodruff, sitting in for Don Hall, member of the Halifax Planning Board, told the group Roanoke Rapids studied a set of ordinances for three months then called in members of the Roanoke Rapids Real Estate Board. They found the regulations "shot through with problems for this area," stated Woodruff.

"We are still working to revise these regulations. Don't get the idea, I'm against the sub-division regulations, but once these regulations are adopted it won't be what some one intended but what is written in these regulations that will govern problems."

Barbour answered, "The man who worked out these regulations has had considerable experience with practical phases of this, but I will agree that local level planning is a must."

Newsom added the Tri-County Board had worked with health officers, commissioners, etc. and others helping to work out these plans with most of the work, however being done by the N. C. Planning Commission.

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## Boy Freed In Fatal Shooting Of Father

A 17-year-old Negro boy, held in the fatal shooting of his father, has been released.

Judge Julius Banzet ruled at a hearing in Warren County Recorder's Court last Friday that John Earle Alston, Jr., shot in self defense in the fatal wounding of his father, John Alston, Sr., on Wednesday of last week.

The verdict of the court was that the defendant acted in self-defense and the homicide was justifiable; no probable cause of guilt of defendant, and the defendant is discharged.

The senior Alston was shot in the chest with a 22 calibre rifle at his home near Macon during a family quarrel.

The wife of the dead man was quoted following the shooting as saying that her husband had been drinking and quarreling around the home for several days.

In other cases heard by Judge Banzet:

John Edward Jones, failure to comply with restriction on license, \$25.00. He was found not guilty on a charge of failure to grant right of way.

James Lee Paschall appealed to Superior Court when he was found guilty on a drunk driving charge, fined \$100 and taxed with the court costs. Appeal bond was set at \$100.

Morris James Vaughan, charged with reckless driving, was fined \$100 and costs.

Robert Edward Ransom, Sr., was fined \$5.00 and costs on a speeding count.

William Russell Gaither, charged with speeding, was taxed with the costs of court.

Julius Madison Daniels was fined \$10.00 and costs on a speeding count.

Solomon Junious Kearney was in court on charges of having no operator's license, and driving on wrong side of road. Prayer for judgement was continued for two years or for less than an hour.

## Board Members To Attend Hearing

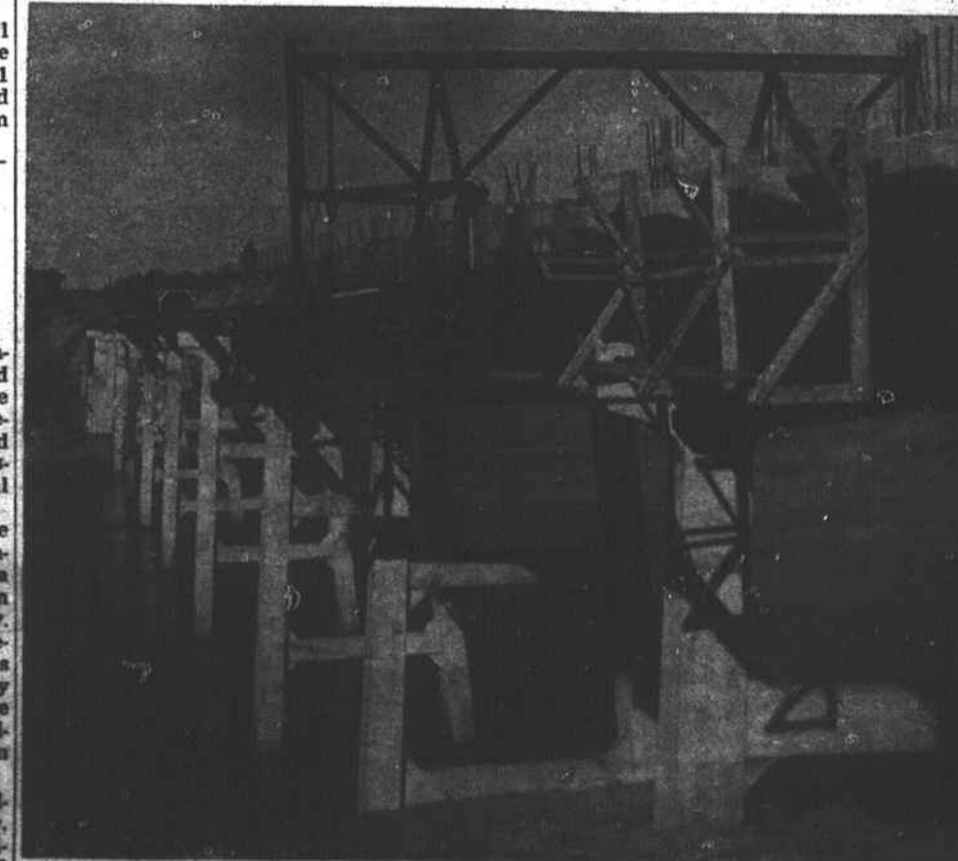
The Board of Commissioners of the Town of Warrenton will be present at a public hearing at the court house on December 4 when the adoption of sub-division regulations for Warren County will be considered.

This was decided at the regular meeting of the town board on Monday night, when Commissioner Hugh Holt pointed out the need for regulations covering sub-divisions outside town limits, during a discussion of the Gardner-Currin sub-division development.

The owners of this property, off the Golf Course Road, are attempting to work out a plan whereby water and sewage facilities of the town can be connected with the development.

The commissioners tabled any action on this development, but agreed that the importance of a county-wide sub-division plan to the town warranted their appearance at the hearing on December 4.

Hearing of reports and other routine matters occupied the attention of the commissioners during a session that lasted for less than an hour.



One of the state's few surviving ferries will be retired at Eaton's Ferry on the Roanoke River when the new bridge, shown above under construction, is completed in the near future. Steel and concrete now reach from shore to shore a few hundred yards west of the Ferry's normal run and will link Roanoke Township with the remainder of Warren County. (Staff Photo)