

All Commissioners To Have Opposition In Democratic Primary

All members of the Board of Commissioners will have opposition in the Democratic Primary of May 26 and the number of candidates for the Coroner's place reached eight as the result of last-minute filing last Friday, prior to the closing of the books at noon.

Entered the commissioners race as a candidate against Alfred J. Ellington of Warrenton is Leonard Rudd, 42, operator of a furniture shop near War-

renton. He was born and reared in Warren County and attended school at Norlina and John Graham High School. He is a veteran of World War II, with five years service, and winner of the Bronze Star with Oak Leaf Cluster. He is a member and on the official board of the North Warrenton Baptist Church, and a member of the local Boy Scout Committee. Married to the former Grace Fleming, he is the father of two girls, 15 and 11.

Taylor Asks Help For Three Schools

William W. Taylor, Jr., appeared before the Warrenton Lions Club on Friday night in behalf of the Foundation for Better Education, whose objective is the improvement of educational facilities at the John Graham, Nathaniel Macon and Mariam Boyd schools. Taylor, president of the Foundation, was presented by Howard Daniel, who was in charge of the program.

M. Bullock. Nomination will be held over for election at a future meeting. Cub Scout Phil Daniel appeared before the club to sell tickets to the members for the Boy Scout Circus which was held in Raleigh on the following day. Every member bought one or more tickets.

Taylor told of the needs for these schools which are located in a county whose financial condition makes a tax subsidy impractical. Yet, he said, the needs for more funds are apparent, if our schools are to be on or near a par with the schools of such cities as Greensboro, Charlotte and Raleigh.

Present at the meeting were Lion Don Pennington, Lion Ed Scott and Lion Harold Dodge of Burlington, who brought greeting from the Burlington Club and also appeared in behalf of John D. Xanthos, their candidate for District Governor of 31-G.

Today there are 70,000 students in colleges in North Carolina and by 1970 there will be 110,000, Taylor said. In the face of this increase, colleges are raising their standards and it is becoming harder for high school graduates to enter the colleges of the state. This means, he said, that if the children of the smaller schools are to have a chance to enter the better colleges, they must be better prepared. To do this money is needed.

Also present at the meeting was Edgar (Skeeter) Neal, a guest of Lion W. L. Turner. President Duke Jones presided over the meeting at Hotel Warren where Ralph's of Roanoke Rapids served barbecued pork and chicken, and Brunswick stew.

Taylor said that he hoped the Lions and other civic clubs as well as patrons of the three schools would contribute to the Foundation for a better future for our children.

By HOWARD JONES The death of two soldiers—killed when a huge transfer truck crushed their car on Interstate 85 seven miles northwest of here Sunday night—still has investigating officers trying to determine what actually happened on the multi-lane highway minutes before the spectacular accident.

Larger Cotton Crop Expected In Warren County

Warren County's 1962 cotton crop is expected to be considerably increased as a result of released acreage by those not wishing to grow the crop.

Many of the accounts given by witnesses of the fatal crash do not correspond and authorities are certain that some of the incidents which led to the fatal crash may never be brought to light.

Thomas E. Watson, local ASCS office manager, said yesterday that a request for 1654.5 acres for additional cotton acreage had been granted Warren County farmers. Of this amount, 732.1 acres were released by Warren County farmers. The county also obtained 922.4 from the State Committee which was released to them by other counties who did not need the acreage.

The accident occurred at about 9:50 Sunday night as a flat-bed transfer truck towed a car containing two Army Reservists north on the highway. A heavily-loaded tractor-trailer failed to stop when it approached the two vehicles from behind, smashed the car and lodged atop the rear of the flat-bodied truck.

Watson said that this additional acreage is effective for only one year. In 1962 this allotment goes back to the farm from which it was released.

Wreckage was strewn 475 feet along the highway where the car was dragged beneath the body of the tractor-trailer. All three vehicles cleared the Ridgeway Road bridge, which carries traffic over the busy interstate highway, before coming to rest on the edge of the highway.

Miss Mary Brodie Jones, a student at the University of North Carolina, is spending the spring holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Signal Jones.

Killed in the accident were Dusan B. Miljkovic, 29, of Mt. Vernon, N. Y., and Norman T. Wasserman of Ft. Gordon, Ga. Both men were reservists assigned to the 302nd Civil Affairs Group at Ft. Gordon on active duty status.

Miss Nancy Rose Harris, of Peace College, Raleigh, is spending the spring holidays here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Harris.

Miljkovic, a native of Yugoslavia, was a co-owner of the Optimum Contact Lens Co., an amateur fencer, accomplished linguist and a former employee of the United Nations.

Authorities were unable to furnish any information on Wasserman. Miljkovic, who reportedly has no family connections in this country, was believed to have been on a two-week leave from the army and en route to New York. He had been in Charleston, S. C., during the weekend to help officiate a fencing match.

In addition to Ellington, who is opposed by Rudd, Chairman Amos Capps is opposed by William Skinner of Littleton; Commissioner Robert Thorne is opposed by Willie T. Robinson of Sixpound; Commissioner Clanton C. Perkinson is opposed by John Wilson of Manson; and Commissioner Richard R. Davis is opposed by William H. Bender of Afton.

Jimmie Burton, who makes the eighth man running for the Coroner's position, is a resident of Warrenton, a salesman, and the father of four children. Others in the race are N. I. Hathcock, incumbent of Warrenton; Thurston Brown, Negro mortician of Warrenton; R. G. Hunt, restaurant and motel operator of Norlina; A. C. Fair, Warrenton jeweler; J. A. Dowlin, Jr., and William H. King, Jr., both of Warrenton; and Luther J. Walker of Littleton.

Also filing on Friday was Lemuel R. Aycock for Shocco Township Constable. Three men are in the race for Sheriff. They are Jim H. Hundley, incumbent; Clarence Davis of Marmaduke, and Charles Wilson of Norlina.

All members of the Board of Education have filed for reelection. They are Eugene Davis of Inez, J. T. Gupton of Arcola, Ed Harvey of Littleton, Boyd Mayfield of Norlina, and Dr. Sam Massey of Warrenton.

Clerk of Court J. N. Ellis and Julius Banzet, Judge of Recorder's court, are without opposition, as is John Kerr, Jr., a candidate for the State House of Representatives.

Warehouse To Be Built Here



BULLDOZERS AT WORK

on site for new tobacco warehouse here

To Be Located On Norlina Road

Construction of a tobacco warehouse containing approximately 30,000 square feet of floor space is expected to begin on the Norlina Road in the near future.

The new structure will bring to seven the number of warehouses on the Warrenton Tobacco Market and is the first warehouse to be built outside the city limits of Warrenton.

The new building will be owned by M. P. Carroll, owner of Centre Warehouse here, and two Centre associates—Edward M. Moody of Henderson and Edward Radford of Centerfield, both of whom have been associated with Carroll in the warehouse business since shortly after the latter began management of Centre Warehouse in 1951.

The warehouse will be a cement block structure located on land adjacent to the Warren General Hospital.

Grading of land has begun and Carroll says that approximately two acres will be prepared in order to insure ample parking space for warehouse customers.

Carroll said that he will continue to operate his warehouse on East Franklin Street and that the new warehouse will be known as Centre Warehouse No. 2.

Plans are to have the warehouse ready for use by the beginning of the 1962 tobacco selling season.

"We definitely plan to complete the building by the first of August, if not before," Carroll said yesterday.

He said that the construction of the warehouse would be handled by John A. Franklin of Henderson.

Three warehouses have been built in Warrenton since the Second World War. Curran's Warehouses No. 1 and No. 2 and Thompson's Warehouse were all built within the past decade.

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Warrenton Man Is Sentenced To Road

A Warrenton white man was sentenced to the roads on three counts by Judge Julius Banzet in Recorder's Court last Friday.

Thomas Lewis Rooker was found guilty on charges of operating a motor vehicle after his driver's license had been revoked, with public drunkenness and disorderly conduct, with public drunkenness, disorderly conduct and using profane language, and with assault and disorderly conduct.

The assault and disorderly conduct was not pressed with leave. The judgment of the court on the other charges was that Rooker serve three months on roads for operating a motor vehicle after his license had been revoked; 30 days on roads for disorderly conduct and public drunkenness, and 30 days on road for disorderly conduct, public drunkenness and profane language. The two 30 days sentences will run concurrently, beginning at the end of the 3-month sentence, for a total of four months.

Alvin Wimbush was in court on a charge of trespass. Prayer for judgment was continued for two years upon condition that the defendant not go into the place of business of R. C. Mitchell for two years or upon the premises of R. C. Mitchell for two years and that he pay the court costs.

Norman Ervin Brown was fined \$25 and taxed with court costs when he was found guilty on a reckless driving charge.

Seven defendants were in court on charges of speeding. Penalties imposed by Judge Banzet were: William Cecil Walters, \$10.00 and costs; Clarence Samuel Graham, costs; Billy Eugene Henderson, \$10.00 and costs; James Hurschel, costs; Wiley Frank Armstrong, costs; William Gamble Skinner, costs; Cleveland Hayruth Outlaw, costs.

Probable cause was found in the case of James Stegall, charged with forging a check, and the defendant was bound to Superior Court under \$500 bond.

Plummer Durham was found not guilty on a larceny charge.

Scout Leaders Tell Needs At Meeting Here

Parents and interested friends of Girl Scouting in Warren County met at the Episcopal Parish House on Monday night to hear local Girl Scout leaders and members of the Bright Leaf Council of Durham discuss the needs for and rewards of Girl Scouting.

H. M. Hardy acted as Master of Ceremonies. He told of the needs for Girl Scouting in Warren County and the unusual facilities offered by nearby Camp Graham on Kerr Lake. It is a shame that we have not and do not take advantage of these facilities which could mean so much to the young girls of the county, he said.

"We have a beautiful lake before us in these camping facilities, but we seem unwilling to pick up the knife and cut it," he said. Hardy introduced members of the Bright Leaf Council members who stressed the need for adult leadership and the reward of working with young girls. They pointed out that adult leaders are the heart of the Girl Scout movement. Here in Warren County, they pointed out, are the girls and the camping facilities, which are wasted unless adult leaders can be obtained.

What Camp Graham can mean to young girls of the county was shown in a film picturing the activities of young girls in camp, the training and the fun available.

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Number Wrecked Stills Climb Over Hundred Mark

Warren County officers joined with an ATU officer and ABC officers from Vance County in the destruction of two stills and the arrest of one man in Perrytown near Warrenton on Monday afternoon.

Vance Perry was arrested at his home and charged with possession of whiskey for purpose of sale after the officers had found two gallons of moonshine whiskey between the floor and ceiling of his house, following the destruction of one still. After the arrest, the officers destroyed another still in the area.

Both stills were of the submarine type with one having a capacity of 200 gallons and the other 300 gallons. Also destroyed were about 200 gallons of mash.

Sheriff Jim Hundley said that the run had recently been completed at one still and the other still had been mashed up when raided by the officers.

Other Warren officers on the raid were Deputies Loyd Newsom and Bonnie Stevenson. Sheriff Hundley said the capture of the two stills Monday were the 111th and 112th still captured by him and his officers since he became sheriff.

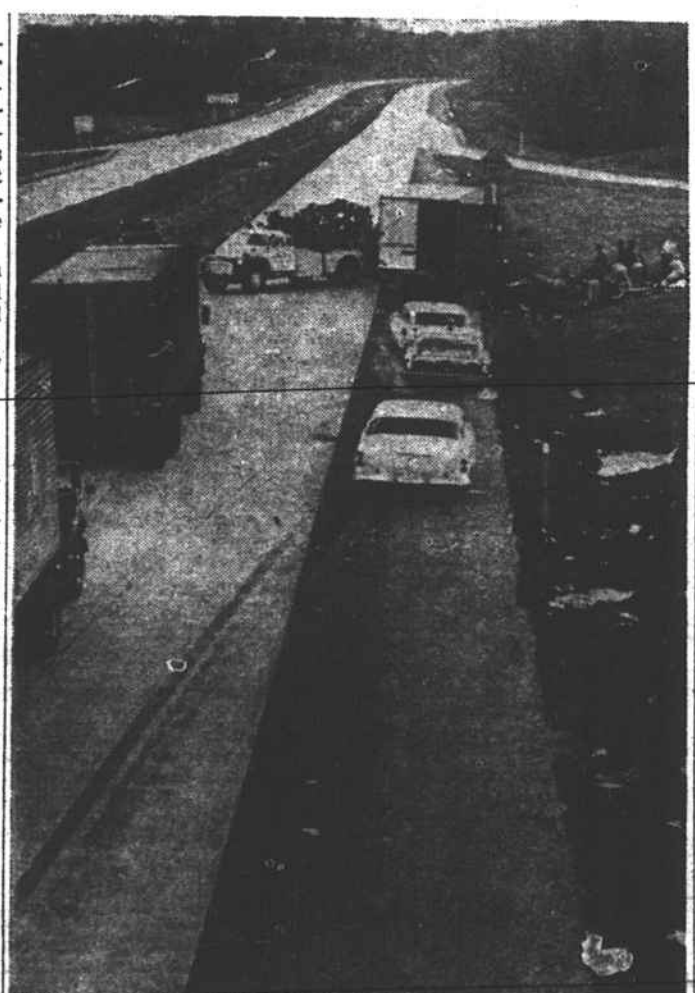
JG Seniors Are Given Scholarships To University

Richard Williams and Chocky White, seniors at John Graham High School, have been awarded 4-year tuition scholarships at the University of North Carolina by the Pleasants-Alston Scholarship Foundation of Louisiana.

This foundation, which in addition to tuition scholarships, offers a full four-year scholarship at the University, was created by Mrs. Missouri Alston Pleasants, a native of Warren County. The full scholarship last year was awarded to Pat Harp, son of Mr. and Mrs. Federal Harp of Warrenton.

Williams, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Barker Williams, and White, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Beverly G. White, were interviewed in Lenoir on Saturday.

Two Men Die In Crushed Car In Wreck On Highway No. 85



HERE TWO DIED — Scene of a wreck on Interstate Highway No. 85 near the Ridgeway overpass where two men were killed when their car was crushed by heavy truck. Another picture on page 12. (Staff Photo)

structor in Yugoslavia and Germany and fencing gear was found among the wreckage of his car.

The car, driven by Miljkovic and owned by his firm, was pinned beneath the transfer truck for more than seven hours. The bodies were not moved until the truck's cargo of 36,000 pounds of metal screws were transferred to another van.

Among the questions which have not been answered to the satisfaction of the investigating

officers are: —where along the highway did the two soldiers, who apparently had noticed engine trouble in their car, flag down a state-owned flat-bed transfer in order to move their vehicle?

The driver of the state-owned rig, Herman Lee McDuffie, 53-year-old Raleigh Negro, told officers he had just hooked a chain to the car and begun towing when the wreck occurred. But a hitchhiker in his truck, Michael Gutt of Raleigh,

told state troopers he knew that the truck had been towing the car for at least five miles.

—Did the death car, a 1957 Chrysler, have tail lights burning at the time it was struck by the tractor-trailer?

The driver of the tractor-trailer, Charles T. Starnes, 39-year-old Charlotte resident employed by the Southern Screw Company of Statesville, says not. Yet Gutt says he remembers looking through the rear glass of the truck towing the automobile and seeing the car's tail lights reflecting on the cement highway.

—How far was the state-owned truck to have pulled the automobile?

McDuffie told highway patrolmen that he was only attempting to pull the car from the path of approaching traffic. Troopers say that the truck had gained a speed of 12 miles an hour at the time of the crash, well above the speed required to pull a vehicle to the road's shoulder.

—Why did the two truck drivers, according to Gutt's testimony following the accident, tell the youthful hitchhiker "to get lost"?

No one seems to know.

Both truck driver were later charged by the Highway Patrol Trooper V. R. Vaughan of Warrenton said that Starnes was charged with driving after his license was suspended. He had lost his license following two convictions for speeding.

McDuffie was charged with operating a vehicle with more than the legal number of combinations.

A coroner's jury, empaneled by Warren County Coroner N. I. Hathcock, met here on Monday afternoon, listened to testimony concerning the wreck, but failed to take action.

Meanwhile insurance adjusters have begun their investigation of the crash that may take weeks to complete.

Witnesses are being re-questioned, and eventually investigators hope to learn the truth about the incidents leading to the crash.

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Col. Frank Banzet Leaves N. Guard

Frank B. Banzet, Warrenton attorney who holds the rank of lieutenant colonial in the North Carolina National Guard, will end a 15-year association with the Guard on April 30 when he officially steps down as assistant chief of staff, G2, of the 30th "Old Hickory" Infantry Division.

His retirement will mark the end of a 20-year military career which began in April, 1942, when he entered the Army as a private. Seven months later, after completion of basic training at Camp Wheeler, Ga., and graduation from the infantry school at Fort Benning, Ga., Banzet received his commission as a second lieutenant.

During the war years that followed, Banzet attended the School of Military Government at the University of Virginia and the Civil Affairs School at the University of Michigan. In November, 1944 he was sent overseas as a military government officer with the rank of captain.

He participated in the New Guinea, Southern Philippines and Luzon campaigns before being sent to Japan after the Japan surrender. After a brief tour of duty there he was transferred to Korea where he was subsequently made military supervisor of all Korean Civilian camps.

Banzet returned to the States as a major in March, 1946, and was discharged from active duty, and served for a year in the Army Reserve before joining the National Guard when the 30th Infantry Division was reorganized in 1947.

For the next six years he served with the 2nd Battalion, 119th Infantry—first as executive officer and later as commanding officer. In 1949 he received his promotion to lieutenant colonel. Later he served as regimental executive officer for the 119th Infantry.

In 1954, with the reorganization of the division into an all-North Carolina Infantry division, Banzet was made Inspector General of the "Old Hickory" division. He was given his present assignment as chief of the division's intelligence branch in 1957.

Banzet was born March 4, 1907 in Ridgeway and later attended high school in Norlina. He attended law school at Northwestern University.

He is active in both civic and church work and served as mayor of Warrenton from 1947 until 1951. During 1952-53 he served as assistant U. S. district attorney.

Banzet was elected to the North Carolina General Assembly in 1960 as senator from Warren, Vance and Northampton counties.

He is married to the former Elba McGowan of Greenville and is the father of two children—Lucy White, 14, and Tom Broadhurst, 17.