



Warren Man Shot, Charged On 7 Counts

A Warren County native shot by a state trooper here last Friday night is expected to stand trial here today on seven charges ranging from speeding to assault.

Vance Neal, wounded in the leg following a scuffle with Trooper W. E. Brown of Vaughan, is scheduled to appear before Judge Julius E. Banzet in Warren County Recorder's Court here Friday morning.

Neal, a former Warren resident who now lives in Henderson, was charged with speeding 70 miles per hour in a 35-mile-per-hour zone, assault with an automobile, failure to stop for a stop light, resisting arrest, driving under the influence, assaulting an officer, and using profanity in a public place.

He was shot through the right leg during a scuffle in the parking lot of Hick's Grill near here after being arrested by Brown.

Neal was charged with running a red light at the corner of Main and Ridgeway streets here, speeding and attempting to force Brown's patrol car off the highway on two occasions before pulling from the highway into the parking lot of Hicks' Grill.

Brown charged that Neal refused to be placed under arrest, that the two men wrestled with one another and that he (Brown) struck Neal with his blackjack. Brown said he was attempting to handcuff Neal when he was struck in the mouth and knocked to the ground.

Brown said he retreated some 20 or 25 feet, warning Neal not to come closer, before firing his .38 caliber revolver. The bullet struck Neal in the right thigh.

Brown said Warrenton Policeman Dorsey Capps arrived on the scene and with a bystander's aid, the three were able to handcuff Neal and take him to Warren General Hospital, several hundred yards from where the incident occurred.

At the hospital, Neal refused medical treatment, officers said, and was carried to the Warren County jail here. He was released the following day on \$1,000 bond.

Banks, Postoffices To Close Saturday

The Warrenton postoffice, as well as other postoffices in the county, will be closed on Saturday, February 22, George Washington's Birthday, a legal holiday. Postoffice windows will be closed and there will be no delivery on the rural routes.

The ASCS office and other government agencies will be closed today (Friday) because the holiday falls on Saturday, a day when offices are usually closed.

Also observing Saturday as a holiday will be the Citizens Bank of Warrenton and the Peoples Bank of Norlina who will take the day off with other banks of the state and nation.

Committee Is Named To Guide Fund Effort

Officials Expected Tuesday

A 25-member steering committee to guide Warren County's effort to be included among ten Tar Heel counties sharing in the North Carolina fund was named Wednesday night during a special meeting of the Warren County Board of Commissioners.

The committee was named to outline to officials of the North Carolina Fund the county's four-point proposal to attack poverty and ignorance at the county level.

Fund officials are expected to arrive in Warrenton Tuesday night for a conference with the committee. From this conference is expected to be reached a decision whether to include Warren in the ten counties sharing some \$14 million in funds earmarked to help break the "cycle of poverty."

Named to the steering committee were Howard Jones, temporary chairman; J. R. Peeler, Dr. Robert Young, James G. Elam, T. E. Watson, Nat B. White, Julian W. Farrar, P. B. Boyd, Miss Emily Ballinger, F. W. Reams, W. A. Miles, W. R. Drake, J. M. Stokes, G. P. Grissom, Mrs. W. B. Stansbury, L. C. Cooper, Mrs. Bertha Forte, Mrs. Eva Clayton, Charles Cheek, George Shearin, Richard Moss, Rev. G. E. Cheek, J. E. Byers, G. H. Washington and Julius Davis.

The committee will meet here Friday morning for a study of a 53-page comprehensive study—entitled "Operation Uplift."

If Warren County's proposal is accepted without change, the North Carolina Fund would allocate \$1,054,237 for four local projects aimed at originating and sustaining "a program of cooperative development growth, and advancement of Warren County."

Earlier this month the Warren Board of Commissioners endorsed the study, which was turned over to North Carolina Fund officials.

The meeting here Tuesday night will be a follow-up by Fund officials to determine if Warren is able to qualify for funds.

Warrenton Motorists Must Have Town Tags

Town officers will issue warrants for Warrenton residents whose cars and/or trucks do not bear a 1964 town license tag, Mayor W. A. Miles said yesterday. The crackdown will begin on next Wednesday, Feb. 26, he said.

The town extended the grace period for town auto licenses from February 15 to February 17, when the State took this action. Mayor Miles said that while town motorists are urged to buy their tags now, it has been decided to delay enforcement by law until Feb. 26.

Mayor Miles called attention to section 7 of the Budget Ordinance as adopted July 23, 1963, and to Section 12, Chapter M Code of the Town of Warrenton.

The budget ordinance reads: "There is hereby levied for the twelve months beginning July 1, 1963, a tax of one dollar (\$1.00) upon each motor vehicle resident of the Town of Warrenton, as provided by General Statutes 20-97."

Section 12 of the Code reads: "Vehicle licensees must display license tags. Every vehicle licensed shall display on such vehicle the metallic tag issued by the Town."

Town license tags are on sale at the Town Municipal Building.



FORMER A&P BUILDING UNDERGOING REMODELLING HERE FOR OFFICES

Remodelled Building To Serve Three Firms

A remodeling crew began work here this week to transform a Main Street building into a modern office building.

The building, which formerly housed the A&P grocery, will be renovated on both the exterior and interior and owners

Walter M. Gardner and W. Monroe Gardner, local insurance men, expect the building to be ready for occupancy by April 1.

Monroe Gardner, manager of Warrenton Insurance Agency, said yesterday that his firm and two other firms would occupy the building. He said he could not identify either of the other two firms at this time.

Designed by Leif Valand and Associates, Raleigh architects, the brick structure, which contains 2,700 square feet of floor space, will feature colonial architecture at the rear, which faces Front Street. The front of the building will reflect modern architectural styling, Gardner said.

The Warrenton Insurance Agency was founded here some 30 years ago. Monroe Gardner was named manager of the agency in 1953.

Heart Sunday Drive Planned In County By Volunteer Group

More than 30 Warren County residents will close ranks with Heart Fund solicitors throughout the nation this weekend in forming a Heart Sunday volunteer army to carry the fight against heart disease.

In Warren County, the 1964 Heart Fund drive will be climaxed with a door-to-door canvass, as volunteers plan to distribute information about heart disease and collect donations for the drive.

W. A. Connell, III, Warren County chairman, said yesterday that volunteer solicitors would leave an envelope at homes where door bells go unanswered in the hope that residents would mail in their contributions. Volunteers will also attempt to return to these homes, Connell said.

Heart Sunday captains in Warren County are Mrs. Carl Perkins, Wise; W. B. Thompson, Macon; James Grant, Reid Robinson and Mason Hawfield, Littleton; Leigh Tryalor, Norlina, and A. C. Fair, Warrenton.

Heading the drive in the county's rural areas will be Erich Hecht. Volunteer solicitors in various communities will be Mrs. Ellis Fleming, Manson; Mrs. Chris Holtzman, Ridgeway; Mrs. Cliff Ellis, Oakville; Mrs. C. P. Pope, Churchill; Robert King, Enterprise and Olive Grove; Mrs. Roy Pierce, Vaughan; Mrs. Willie Norwood, Arcola; Mrs. G. W. Abbott, Eiberson; Mrs. W. L. Fuller, Afton; Willie King, Wise; Mrs. Early Shearin, Warren Plains; Mrs. Clarence Evans, Embro; Mrs. Willie Martin, Oine.

Warrenton volunteers are Mrs. Charlie Ball, Mrs. Julius Banzet, Sr., Mrs. E. W. Baxter, Mrs. Leonard Daniel, Mrs. Kate Harris, Mrs. A. C. Blalock, Mrs. Joe Bobbitt, Mrs. M. P. Carroll, Mrs. Shirley Lynch, Mrs. A. A. Williams, Jr., Milton Ayscue, A. C. Fair, Ralldolph Miles, A. H. Bryson, Hy Diamond and A. A. Wood.

GUEST MINISTERS
The Rev. Earl Fisher of Tarboro will be guest speaker at All Saints Episcopal Church on Tuesday night, February 25, at 8 o'clock.

The Rev. Osborne Mark member of the Church Army, will be guest preacher at Emmanuel Episcopal Church on Wednesday night at 8 o'clock.

RIDGWAY SERVICES
Services of Evening Prayer will be held at the Church of the Good Shepherd, Ridgeway, on Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock with the Rev. James M. Stoney, rector, in charge.

Preyer Says Tobacco Case Is Incomplete

The evidence is not all in and the case against tobacco is not complete, Judge Richardson Preyer, candidate for Governor, told an audience gathered in the Warren County courthouse Tuesday afternoon.

While Judge Preyer said that he would offer no whitewash of the Surgeon General's report linking cigarette smoking with lung cancer, he said that many questions as yet remain unanswered. More research is needed, he said, and the importance of tobacco to the state's economy would justify the use of state funds for this purpose.

Judge Preyer asked why it is that the inhabitants of New Orleans have double the amount of lung cancer as do the inhabitants of Charleston where the per capita consumption of cigarettes is the same? Why is it that in England, where they smoke fewer cigarettes than they do in America, double the lung cancer is found? He said that there was no case on record where cancer was induced in an animal by cigarette smoke, and quoted a scientist as saying that most lung cancer originated in the back part of the lung, where cigarette smoke does not reach.

Judge Preyer, whose talk at the court house, followed a reception at Hotel Warren, was presented by Howard Jones, Preyer campaign manager for Warren County. Seated with Jones was Mrs. Jim Beckwith, manager of the woman's division of Preyer's campaign in the county.

Judge Preyer at the beginning of his talk paid tribute to the history of Warren County and its leadership, and told of many pleasant links he has had with the county. One of these was the friendship with the late William T. Polk, for several years connected with the Greensboro Daily News, of whom he said that while his body may have resided in Greensboro his heart always remained in Warrenton. He said that he had the pleasure of serving on the same ship with W. L. Turner of Warrenton during World War II.

The only reference Judge Preyer made to his opponents was to Judge Dan K. Moore concerning his promise of a 10 per cent raise across the board to state employees. He said he wanted to know where the money for this raise estimated at \$10,000,000 was coming from. To this must be added \$27,000,000, already appropriated by the legislature. The difficulty of raising this \$67,000,000 can be realized, he said, when it is recalled that the sales tax raises only \$42,000,000. North Carolina has long been blessed with good governors and with fiscal responsibility. "I intend," he said, "to do my utmost to keep it so."

Judge Preyer said that a great need for North Carolina is more and expanding industries, with

emphasis upon those handling local products. There is need, too, he said, for the state to produce the large amount of food being imported into the state.

Judge Preyer pledged his support to a bond issue for roads. This, he said, could be retired with the present one cent a gallon tax on gasoline, without any further increase. This is possible, he added, because the bonds for which they were issued during the Scott administration will have been paid off before the new bond issue is passed.

Following his talk at the court house, Judge Preyer visited the Peck Manufacturing Company where he inspected the mill and greeted a number of the employees.

Earlier a reception was held at the hotel, attended by municipal and county officials and supporters of Judge Preyer.

Defendant Charges Changes Plea, Draws Fine In Liquor Cases

A defendant, charged with three counts of violating the whiskey laws of the state, changed his plea from not guilty to guilty in all three cases in Warren County Recorder's Court last Friday and drew a \$150.00 fine plus court costs in each case.

Cornelius Russell was taxed with costs when he pled guilty to charges of the possession of utensils designed for the manufacture of liquor, and with possession of non-taxpaid whiskey.

Clarence Winstead, found guilty of possessing whiskey for the purpose of sale, was fined \$75.00 and ordered to pay court costs.

Vance Neal, found guilty of resisting arrest, was fined \$25 and ordered to pay court costs. He was found not guilty on a charge of reckless driving.

Frank Wesley Harvey, found guilty of drunk driving, was fined \$100 and ordered to pay court costs.

Raymond Whitmore, sentenced to the roads for 30 days, noted an appeal. He was found guilty of trespass and of being drunk and disorderly. Bond for his appearance in Superior Court was set by Judge Julius Banzet at \$100.

Curley Tuck, who was charged with an assault and disorderly conduct was set free when the court ruled that the presentation was frivolous and malicious. The prosecuting witness was charged with court costs.

James Turner, charged with assault and trespass, was found guilty of trespass. Prayer for judgment was continued for one year upon condition that the defendant does not go on the premises of Forrest Harris



Education Director To Speak At Church

Miss Bernice Ballance of Dunn will lead a study on "The Changing City Challenges the Church" on Monday, Feb. 24, at 7:30 p. m. at Wesley Memorial Methodist Church.

Miss Ballance, director of christian education of Divine Street Methodist Church in Dunn, was last month commissioned a deaconess of the Methodist Church in ceremonies held at Buck Hill Falls, Pennsylvania.

Mrs. Hugh Prince, also of Dunn, secretary of Spiritual Life for the Raleigh District, will accompany Miss Ballance to Warrenton.

Woman's Society of Christian Service members of the Warren Subdistrict are invited to participate in this study.

NAMED CHAIRMAN

James H. Burton, Jr. of Warrenton has been named Warren County chairman of the North Carolina Governor's Coordinating Committee on Aging.

Burton's selection as county chairman was released this week by directors of the

and pay court costs. Frederick Buck Alston, found guilty of assault, was sentenced to the roads for 12 months.

Mervan Carnell Richardson, found guilty of operating a motor vehicle without a driver's license, was fined \$25 and taxed with court costs.

Forrest Harris, charged with driving after his license had been revoked, was found not guilty.

Annie Lois Downey, who pled guilty of operating a motor vehicle without a driver's license, was ordered to pay a \$25 fine and court costs.

Junious Terry, who pled guilty to a charge of allowing an unlicensed person to operate a motor vehicle, was ordered to pay court costs.



Thomas E. Watson, local ASCS office manager, right, presents the first feed grain check to Ben Lynch of Rt. 1, Norlina.

The feed grain signup program is now being conducted for Warren farmers.

(Photo by Frank Reams)