

## Miss Rooker To Direct Seal Drive

Miss Elizabeth Rooker has been named chairman of the 1964 Easter Seal Campaign in Warren County. The drive sponsored by the Warrenton Woman's Club, will begin on March 1 and will end on Easter Sunday, March 29.

The appointment of Miss Rooker to head the drive was made yesterday by Mrs. Leonard Daniel, publicity chairman for the Warrenton Woman's Club.

In making the announcement, Mrs. Daniel pointed out that the Easter Seal Society is a voluntary agency which has worked to help the handicapped in the nation for 43 years. She said it is the earnest wish of the society to bring this good work to as many crippled children and adults as possible on the local level.

Rehabilitation work is provided to all those who need it regardless of the cause of crippling, race, religion, national background or economic status.

The Warren County Chapter is one of 1,226 Easter Seal affiliates of the National Society for Crippled Children and Adults that will conduct the annual Easter Seal campaigns to finance rehabilitation services throughout the nation, Mrs. Daniel said. The Warrenton Woman's Club has received a personal letter from Comedian Bob Hope, president of the Nations Society, who stressed the serious purpose of this work and the great need for funds throughout the country.

Mrs. Daniel said that scholarships and fellowships provided by the Easter Seal Society have added more than 500 physicians, therapists, and other professional workers to the number of skilled persons serving the physical handicapped. Researchers are at work in medical schools and hospitals to find the causes and cures of crippling and means of improving the educational, emotional and vocational adjustment of the crippled.

"When you receive your Easter Seal," Mrs. Daniel said, "give generously so that this very important work may continue and grow to help expand research and restore the physically disabled to productive living."

## Warlick Re-elected President Of Warren Educational Group

Sam A. Warlick, Jr., manager of Leggett's Department Store, was re-elected president of the Warren Educational Foundation, Inc., at the annual meeting held at Warren Plaza Inn at 7 o'clock on Saturday night.

W. Boyd Mayfield was elected vice-president, and Randolph Miles, secretary-treasurer.

Directors elected were Dr. Joseph J. Allen, P. B. Boyd, Miss Mariam Boyd, J. R. Peeler, Frank H. Daniel, J. Howard Daniel, Richard R. Davis, W. R. Drake, G. E. Harvey, R. P. Thorne, S. O. Nunn, R. Leigh Traylor, Harry W. Walker and Dr. Walter White.

The Rev. Milton Mann, pastor of the Macon Methodist Church, was speaker.

## Jury Is Unable To Reach Verdict

Two defendants faced a jury in Warren County Recorder's Court last Friday on charges of operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of whiskey.

In one case, that of Henry Alston, the jury was unable to agree and a mistrial was ordered. In the other the jury said that Albert Carl Brietzke was not guilty.

William Eugene Grisson was in court on a charge of drunk driving. The court accepted a plea of reckless driving and the defendant was ordered to pay a \$100 fine and court costs.

Russell Ray Gunter, charged with reckless driving racing, was found not guilty.

Cornelius Russell was found guilty.

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Members of Macon Boy Scout Troop No. 618 attending a Boy Scout birthday supper at Macon Methodist Church on Monday night were, left to right; first row, Louis Thompson, assistant patrol leader; Clarence Thompson, assistant patrol leader; Marshall Carroll, Jerry Bolton, Jimmy

Rivers. Second row, Clarence Young, patrol leader; Larry Rivers, assistant patrol leader; Robert Thompson, Harry St. Sing, Joel Walker, Donald Riggan, Kermit Copley. Back Row, Scout master, W. B. Thompson, Brian Rogers, assistant patrol leader; Lane Myrick and Bill Young.

## Four Persons Injured In Head-on Collision Reported Improved

Four persons hospitalized as the result of a head-on collision of two automobiles here last Saturday, were reported yesterday to be making satisfactory recovery.

Injured in the wreck which occurred near the home of Mr. and Mrs. B. G. White on Ridgeway Street at 6:30 were Deputy Sheriff and Jailer Herbert Rooker and his daughter, Paulette, 16, and Sol Fleming and son, Ralph, 25, of Norlina.

Rooker suffered a cut on his forehead and several broken ribs and is recovering at Maria Parham Hospital in Henderson. His daughter suffered cuts and bruises and is a patient in Warren General Hospital. Sol Fleming, who suffered a bad cut on his throat, was sent to Maria Parham Hospital. Ralph Fleming, who suffered a broken pelvis, was taken to Rex Hospital in Raleigh.

According to Warrenton Police Officer Macon Reavis, who with officers Peoples and Capps investigated the wreck, the accident occurred as Rooker in passing a farm tractor and trailer crashed head-on with a car driven by Sol Fleming. Rooker was en route to Warren General Hospital where his daughter was expected to undergo a tonsillectomy.

The Chevrolet car driven by Rooker was demolished, and Fleming's Oldsmobile suffered damages estimated at several hundred dollars.

## Lenten Speakers

The Rev. Robert Turner will be the guest speaker at All Saints Episcopal Church on Tuesday evening, March 3, at 8 o'clock, the Rev. James M. Stoney announced yesterday.

Mr. Stoney also announced that the Rev. John E. C. Harris of Rocky Mount will be the guest speaker at Emmanuel Episcopal Church on Wednesday evening, March 4, at 8 o'clock.

## To Enter Playoffs

John Graham Yellow Jackets, Halifax - Warren Conference champions, will enter district playoffs at Rocky Mount next Wednesday night.

## Oral Polio Vaccine Campaign Plans Made

Plans for a mass oral polio vaccine campaign aimed at reaching thousands of Warren County residents during the next three months were outlined here Monday night.

Members of a steering committee representing various civic clubs of the county heard officials of the Warren County Medical Society call for a county-wide effort to immunize all Warren residents six weeks of age and older.

Dr. Robert S. Cline, president of the Warren County Medical Society told members of the steering committee meeting at Warren General Hospital that the vaccine will be administered on one Sunday during each of the next three months.

Vaccine will be given the public at the Warren County Health Department here, the Aiton-Elberon Ruritan Club House in Aiton and the Norlina Woman's Club Building in Norlina. The vaccine will be given March 22, April 19, and May 17.

For a successful vaccine program, Dr. Cline recommended that between 65 per cent and 75 per cent of the county's population be immunized.

"The immunization procedure will be permanent and confer lifetime immunity on the individual receiving all three

## Special Membership Drive Planned By Farm Bureau

Warren County Farm Bureau will hold a special membership drive the first two weeks in March.

Announcement of the drive was made yesterday by Boyd Reams, president, who said that while the special winter campaigns have been conducted successfully in many other states.

The drive will be headed by Hal Paschall of Norlina, drive chairman. He will be assisted by President Reams, John Killian, Mrs. Erich Hecht, Wilson Fleming, J. W. Smithwick, J. Robert King, E. B. Rideout and Frank Perkinson.

"Farm Bureau membership doesn't cost," it pays," Reams

said. "No other organization in North Carolina or the nation offers farmers and other rural people such a high-quality, comprehensive program of legislative service as Farm Bureau. There are three times as many members in Farm Bureau as in any other general farm organization—over 1,628,000 in American Farm Bureau and more than 57,000 in North Carolina Farm Bureau."

Reams said that Warren County Farm Bureau offers the member a wide variety of services, such as farm and life insurance, aid with gas tax refunds, high-quality tires at

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## Golden Anniversary Of Boy Scouting Is Observed At Macon

Macon Boy Scout Troop 681 under the direction of W. B. Thompson, Scoutmaster, observed the 50th anniversary of Scouting in America at the Macon Methodist Church at 6:30 on Monday night.

Prior to a program consisting of a demonstration, a skit, the presentation of awards, and closing ceremonies, a delicious buffet supper, prepared by members of the Scouts' families, was served. In a darkened room, with a spotlight on the United States Flag, the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Louis Thompson, patrol leader.

The Rev. Milton Mann, Methodist minister, pronounced the blessing.

Following the supper a demonstration on the use, care and honors of the American Flag was led by Clarence Young, patrol leader.

A skit showed an operation on Scout Bill Young by Scouts Lane Myrick and Brian Rogers, with a backdrop shadow in a dark room.

Thirteen merit badges were presented by Scoutmaster Thompson. Of these Clarence Young received 4; Bill Young 1; Clarence Thompson 3; Brian Rogers 1; Larry Rivers 2; and Lane Myrick 2.

The ceremonies were closed in a dark room with an explanation of the twelve points of Scout Law led by Patrol Leader Louis Thompson over a PA system.

## Minister To Speak At Ladies Night

A former Warrenton Methodist minister will be the guest speaker at the annual Ladies Night banquet to be held here Tuesday night by the Warrenton Rotary Club.

The Rev. LaFon C. Vereen, executive director of the N. C. Conference Board of Missions and Church Extension, will address Rotarians and guests at Hotel Warren. The banquet is scheduled to begin at 7 p. m.

Rotarians wishing to bring guests to the annual event have been requested to notify Rotarian J. Shipp McCarroll by noon Monday.

# Poverty Attack Plans Amplified In Meeting

## Proposed Welfare Plan Hit

Members of the Warren County Board of Commissioners have expressed opposition to a plan to place local welfare programs directly under boards of county commissioners.

Amos Capps, Warren board chairman, said he was personally against the proposal and that he felt he could speak for other members of the county's five-man board.

"I think it is in the right hands now," Capps said following a recommendation Sunday by a consulting firm that the administrative shift be made.

The North Carolina Association of County Commissioners, which requested the consulting firm of Griffenhagen-Kroeger, Inc. to look into welfare administration, began studying the proposals this week.

Alex McMahon, association general counsel, has said that the "true effect of these recommendations would be to put administrative responsibility, now resting with local welfare boards, in the hands of the county commissioners where the financial responsibility now lies."

To do this, the consulting firm suggested that county commissioners, rather than the State Board of Welfare appoint welfare directors. It also recommended abolishing local welfare boards as administrative agencies and setting them up as advisory units to the county commissioners.

The firm recommended that boards of commissioners be made "clearly and directly" responsible for all aspects of local welfare programs, subject to standards established by the State Board.

It called on the commissioners to delegate administrative responsibility to the county directors for day-to-day operation of the welfare programs.

Currently, Warren County Commissioner Alfred Ellington represents the board of a three-man county welfare board. Other members of the welfare board are Charles White of Warrenton and Joseph P. Newsom of Littleton.

"The county commissioners have all they can handle now," Capps said. He predicted that the proposed plan would cause members of the Warren Board of County Commissioners to "meet weekly rather than monthly."

The proposal is expected to be a major topic of discussion at a district meeting of boards of county commissioners to be



SYLVIA DAVIS

## Local Girl Is Finalist

A John Graham High School senior will be one of three young musicians representing District 14 of the North Carolina Federation of Women's Clubs in a state talent contest in Winston-Salem next month.

Miss Sylvia Lynn Davis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Macon Davis of Rt. 2, Warrenton, will compete with entries from 15 other districts of the NCFWC for a \$100 prize in the state contest.

Miss Davis was named one of three winners in district competition in Roanoke Rapids Saturday. Her selection as winner in piano competition followed a rendition of "Fantasy" by Mozart.

Mrs. M. C. Crane, District 14 music chairman, also named Beth Johnson of Roanoke Rapids as winner in the female vocalist competition and Michael Berry, male vocalist winner.

Sponsoring clubs of winners were the Roanoke Rapids Woman's Club, Study Club, and the Woman's Club of Warrenton. Acting as judges were Mrs. H. B. Browder Jr. of Weldon, Mrs. Marvin Newsom of Littleton, and Mrs. James T. Barnette of Roanoke Rapids.

Mrs. W. W. Wicks, District 14 junior director and the Fine Arts Department of the Roanoke Rapids Junior Woman's Club assisted Mrs. Crane in the contest.

The state contest at Salem College in Winston-Salem will be held on March 14 at 1:30 p. m.

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## Officials Pay Visit To County

Members of a Warren County committee hoping to launch an assault on poverty outlined their plan of attack here Tuesday night before a four-man delegation representing the North Carolina Fund.

Representatives of the fund, an organization attempting to break the "Cycle of Poverty" in the Tar Heel State, heard spokesmen for Warren County's four-point proposal put in a strong bid for \$1,054,237 in N. C. Fund allocations stretching over a five-year period.

W. R. Drake of Macon, chairman of a 25-man steering committee charged with guiding Warren's effort to receive Fund aid, told the delegation that 2,645 of the county's 4,112 families fall into the "poverty-stricken" category.

The Fund places any family having less than \$3,000 annual income in that category.

Thomas J. Pearsall of Rocky Mount, a director of the Fund, told Warren County commissioners and members of the local steering committee meeting in the Warren County Courthouse, that a final decision on Warren's proposal would not be made for several weeks.

"If the Fund wants something different, they've got it here," Pearsall said after hearing Warren's proposal—entitled "Operation Uplift"—outlined.

Presenting Warren's four-prong proposal were the Rev. G. E. Cheek, who called for the aid of the Fund in helping begin a major outdoor drama; J. E. Byers, who outlined a creative training program designed to "reach those persons missed by the school"; Mrs. Eva Clayton, who proposed a folk school that is designed to substantially reduce ignorance among the "poverty-stricken"; and L. C. Cooper, who amplified plans for a farm family industry project.

The N. C. Fund is in the process of selecting 10 to 12 areas for pilot projects aimed at reducing poverty. Some \$14 million earmarked for the statewide poverty program, represents grants from the Ford Foundation and private North Carolina sources.

Other members of the North Carolina Fund delegation visiting here Tuesday were Dr. Samuel Duncan, president of Livingstone College in Salisbury; Mike Brooks, Fund research director; and William A. Darity, assistant director for community development.

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## Farmers Urged To Release '64 Cotton

Pointing out that March 2 is the deadline for requesting additional cotton acreage and March 16 is the deadline for releasing cotton acreage, W. S. Smiley, chairman of the Warren County ASC Committee, requested that no farmer fail to release cotton that will not be planted in 1964.

Smiley said that any farmer who has cotton allotment that he does not intend to plant should release it to the county committee at once. In this way, he stressed, farmers protect their allotment, and at the same time the released acreages can be re-apportioned to other producers who desire more cotton for 1964.

"Committeemen, vendors, representatives of agricultural agencies and farm organizations, ginners, buyers and business men are all urged to assist in getting farmers who will not plant cotton in release it by the deadline," Smiley said.



ACTORS AND ACTRESSES TAKE CURTAIN CALL FOLLOWING WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY PLAY GIVEN BY MRS. FRED HURST'S FIFTH GRADE AT JOHN GRAHAM