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Little Cris Richards, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dave Richards, poses for her picture while brother Scott and Kenny Brinson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Brinson, look on in derision after refusing to pose. The picture was snapped recently while the children waited for their mothers to conclude a Junior Girl Scout and Brownie meeting at the Presbyterian Church.

Pittman Named ABC Chairman

Roy Pittman of Grove Hill was elected chairman of the Warren County ABC Board Monday afternoon by a joint meeting of the boards of commissioners, education and health. He succeeds Norman Pittard of Warrenton, who has held this post for a number of years.

County Attorney Jim Limer presided over the joint meeting of the board and announced its purpose was to elect a member of the ABC board for a three-year term, and also to appoint a chairman. He said that the chairman could not serve beyond the time of his appointment as board member. This means that Pittman was elected for a two-year term as he has already served one year as ABC board member.

At the request of Commissioner Richard Davis and Commissioner Alfred Ellington, Limer announced that the voting would be by secret ballots, and that the board member should be first elected. He called for nominations.

Commissioner Ellington nominated Norman Pittard for ABC board member for a three-year term. The second was made by Robert Gupton. Walter Bender nominated E. Clifford Robertson, which nomination was seconded by W. A. Miles. When the vote was counted Pittard received nine votes and Robertson one.

Robert Gupton nominated Pittman for ABC board chairman. Amos Capps seconded the nomination. Ellington nominated Pittard for the post and Ed Harvey seconded the nomination. Again the tally showed a nine to one vote, with Pittman being the winner.

Members of the joint boards present were: Walter Bender, Robert Gupton, J. T. Peeler, Ed Harvey, W. A. Miles, and Commissioners Alfred Ellington, John Wilson, Robert Thorne, Richard Davis and Amos Capps.

New Reg. Of Deeds; New Sheriff

Sam E. Allen Resigns As Register Of Deeds

Head Start Project Is Explained

Warren County is one of many counties throughout the nation which will participate in what has been described as the most important program in the War on Poverty—Project Head Start.

Announcement that the county would participate in the program was made last week by J. Roger Peeler, superintendent of schools.

The purpose of the program is to help underprivileged children. The reasons for its adoption, its costs and the way it is administered is told in a release from the Office of Economic Opportunity in Washington, D. C. Pertinent facts and observations from this release follow:

"For the first time in many communities—the professionals, friends, neighbors and parents are uniting to help children from poor families get ready for school this fall.

"Many of these children have never seen a book, held a crayon, or seen flowers growing in a garden. Inadequate diet saps their energy. Their poor sight or hearing goes unnoticed, their bad teeth ignored. In their homes they hear little besides curt commands, and cannot build the vocabulary they need to express themselves.

"Without help they may be defeated before they enter school, incapable of competing (See START, page 7)

Come July 6 Warren County will have a new Register of Deeds and a new Sheriff.

Sam E. Allen, Register of Deeds on Monday morning submitted his resignation, effective July 6, to the board of county commissioners, giving as his reason for retirement his advancing years. He is now 81.

The board accepted his resignation with official regrets from the board and expressions of appreciation for his fine service to the county on the part of the individual commissioners.

At their afternoon session the board appointed Sheriff Jim Hundley to fill Mr. Allen's unexpired term. Hundley, who has been sheriff for the past six and one-half years, submitted his resignation, also dated July 6.

Following the resignation of Hundley, the board appointed Clarence Davis to fill Sheriff Hundley's unexpired term. Davis, a building contractor, who served as deputy sheriff under former Sheriff Roy Shearin, was an unsuccessful candidate against Hundley in 1962 at the beginning of his second term.

During the noon lunch hour Mr. Allen was honored at a surprise testimonial dinner at Warren Plaza Inn when he received a gift from court house officials and members of the Bar, hosts for the occasion. Mrs. Thomas Pinnell and Miss Mary Frances Rodwell were in charge of the arrangements. Julius Banzet, Judge of Recorder's Court, served as master of ceremonies and paid glowing tribute to Mr. Allen's services, character and devotion to duty. Mr. Allen, apparently deeply touched, briefly responded thanking those present for their evidence of friendships.

Also offering tribute to Mr. Allen were Charles White, Jr., assistant Superior Court Solicitor and Solicitor of the Recorder's Court, who thanked Mr. Allen for the advice and help he had given him since he came here as a young lawyer; County Attorney Jim Limer, speaking on behalf of Chairman Amos Capps, who was unable to be present, praising Mr. Allen for his competence as clerk to the board; and John Kerr, Jr., long a political leader of the county.

In his talk, Judge Banzet remarked that Mr. Allen was unbeatable and told how in one primary with eleven opponents Mr. Allen beat them all and has never been in a second primary. Mr. Allen protested that there were only four, but his protest went unheeded.

Kerr also touched on the 11 opponents, as if it didn't matter what were the odds, Mr. Allen always mowed them down. He paid tribute to Mr. Allen's character and his long years of faithful service to the people of Warren County. At the request of Judge Banzet, he told an anecdote illustrating the hold that Mr. Allen holds on the people of the county.

Kerr related that when he was campaigning for the late Melvin Broughton for Governor several years ago that he called on the Rev. Mr. Roach, pastor of the Norlina Baptist Church. "I let it slip," Kerr said, "that Broughton was also a Baptist. He said that as he told of the virtues of Broughton Mr. Roach's expression did not change. But suddenly Mr. Roach spoke. 'What of Brother Allen?' he asked. Kerr said that Mr. Allen was not even running for office, but he told Mr. Roach that he was strong for Brother Allen. After that, Kerr said, 'he had no more trouble getting Mr. Roach's support for his candidate. As a matter of fact, Kerr concluded, 'I have always been strong for Brother Allen.'"

At the beginning of the meal, Miss Mary Frances Rodwell (See ALLEN, page 2)



Register of Deeds Sam E. Allen is shown holding present presented by court house officials and members of the Bar at a dinner in his honor.

Health Committee Is Named By Co. Board

Six members of a county medical health committee were appointed by the board of county commissioners in session here Monday. The committee will work with Dr. R. R. Hundley of Chapel Hill in the establishment of an out-patient clinic at Warren General Hospital.

The members of the committee will represent several organizations working for better health facilities in Warren County. They are:

Richard R. Davis, representing the Board of County Commissioners; W. Monroe Gardner, the Citizens Hospital Committee; W. A. Miles, the Board of Health; Hal W. Connell, the Board of Trustees of the Warren General Hospital; Dr. T. J. Holt, the Warren County Medical Society; and Joe P. Newsum, the Board of Welfare.

W. Monroe Gardner was appointed temporary chairman of the committee.

The board authorized the introduction of a bill in the General Assembly by Rep. W. R. Drake to enable the commissioners to fix the salaries,

travel allowances and other compensations paid county employees.

The board approved a joint agreement between Halifax, Northampton and Northampton County creating a Lake Gaston Regional Planning Commission. The purpose of the commission is to coordinate the efforts of the three counties for a more harmonious development of the Lake Gaston area.

Beer licenses were ordered issued to Albert Britton Light, Norlina Road; Maurice Vernon Edwards, Macon and Afton Motor Service, Route 2, Warrenton.

The State Highway Commission was requested to construct a connecting road in River Township between State Road No. 1349 and No. 1351, a distance of about 0.9 of a mile.

Much of the work of the commissioners during an unusually busy day was the receiving of budget requests from various agencies of the county, a discussion of their contents, and the hearing of reports and other routine matters.

Brinson Resigns As J. Graham Principal

The resignation of Kenneth H. Brinson this week as principal of the John Graham High School was announced yesterday by the Warrenton school committee.

He has accepted a position as administrative assistant to the Superintendent of Schools in Sanford. Brinson was employed by the Sanford City Schools for three years prior to coming to Warrenton.

"I have had two wonderful years in Warrenton," Brinson commented yesterday. "My family and I have been very happy here. I greatly appreciate the interest and support that has been extended to me during my stay here. The school committee, county administration, faculty, students, parents, civic organizations, Boosters Club and others could not have been more cooperative."



Kenneth H. Brinson said the school situation here is very good and the John Graham-Marian boys' (See BRINSON, page 2)

Carter Given Life Sentence After He Confesses Murder

Robert Lee Carter, Negro man charged with the slaying of Cora Lambert here on November 7, was on Friday sentenced to life imprisonment in the State Penitentiary by Judge Clarence Hall, presiding over the May term of Superior Court.

Carter was found guilty of murder in the first degree by a jury on Thursday afternoon but a new trial was granted after defense attorneys had pointed out irregularities in the jury deliberation.

Frank Banzet and Julius Banzet, III, attorneys appointed by the court to defend Carter, moved that the verdict be set aside after the jury had returned a verdict of first degree murder, without recommendation for mercy, making the death sentence mandatory.

The attorneys moved that the court set aside the verdict on the grounds that the case was discussed by some members of the jury in the absence of other

members, and that all members of the jury were not present at all times during the jury deliberations.

"It appearing to the court, and the court finds as a fact," Judge Hall ordered, "that after the jury had retired to the jury room and during the time of the deliberations that two or more of the jurors left the jury room and remained in another part of the court house for some interval of time during the deliberation and discussion of the case by other members of the jury; that in view of these facts the Court is of the opinion that the motion should be allowed.

"It is, therefore, upon motion of the defendant and in the discretion of the court, ordered and adjudged that the verdict in this case be, and the same is hereby set aside, and the defendant is granted a new trial.

Following the granting of the motion to set aside the verdict, Carter pled guilty to a charge

of murder in the first degree and was given a life sentence.

Another case in which Carter was charged with burglary was not pressed.

The court ordered that the defense attorneys be paid the sum of \$500 for their services in defense of Carter on the murder charge, and \$200 for their defense on the burglary charge.

The criminal term of court, which convened on Monday of last week, adjourned around noon Friday after disposing of a heavy docket.

Five defendants charged with refusing to aid an officer during racial demonstrations here last summer had their cases not pressed with leave. The defendants were T. T. Clayton, Melvin Tunstall, Frances Alston, Ernest Turner and the Rev.

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John Wilson Named To Welfare Board

Commissioner John Wilson was elected a member of the Board of Welfare by the Board of County Commissioners at their meeting here Monday. He is the commissioner's representative on the welfare board.

Wilson, elected for a three-year term, succeeds Commissioner Alfred J. Ellington, who has served two three-year terms and is not eligible for re-election.

Dr. Robert S. Cline Leaves For Sanford

Dr. Robert S. Cline and family left Warrenton Friday for Sanford where Dr. Cline will continue the practice of medicine.

Dr. Cline came to Warrenton in July 1961 to engage in the practice of medicine with Dr. Joseph Allen. Dr. Allen has returned to school for further specialization. The two physicians closed their office here the end of May.

SPECIAL PROGRAM

The Junior Choir and the Girls Sextet of the Warrenton Baptist Church will sing in a special program of music at the Millbrook Baptist Church in Raleigh on Sunday evening at 7:30 o'clock. Mrs. John Link is the director and Mrs. W. A. Miles, Jr., is the accompanist.



JOYCE SEAMAN Scholarship Awards Winners Announced

Miss Joyce Seaman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Peter P. Seaman of Route 2, Norlina, was awarded the Warren Cotton and Fertilizer Company Scholarship at graduation exercises held at John Graham High School last week.

Miss Seaman, who was class salutatorian, plans to enter ECC, Greenville, this fall and major in English.

Miss Linda Silver, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Conrad Silver of Rt. 3, Warrenton, was presented the award at graduation exercises at Hawkins High School also held last week.

The scholarships, valued at \$500, are presented each year to an outstanding senior at John Graham High School and John R. Hawkins High School.

RECITAL

Mrs. Erlene F. Limer will present her piano pupils in a recital Sunday evening, June 13, at 7:30 o'clock at the Sulphur Springs Baptist Church. The public is cordially invited to attend.

Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Moore have moved back here to their home in South Warrenton after living for many years in Durham.

Asst. Home Agents Approved By Board

The appointment of two assistant Home Economic Agents for Warren County was approved by the Board of County Commissioners at their regular Monday meeting.

Named as the white assistant agent was Miss Ella Margaret Bone of Nashville. Approved as Negro assistant agent was Miss Dorothy R. Goodwyn, who election was approved by the commissioners in April and held up until the beginning of the new fiscal year due to a difference in salary asked.

Mrs. Bertha Forte appeared before the board on Monday afternoon to say that Miss Goodwyn was still available as assistant agent and to ask for her appointment.

Miss Bone appeared before the board with Miss Emily Balingier, home agent, who requested the approval of the appointment of Miss Bone made by the Extension Service.

The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth E. Bone of Nashville, Miss Bone is a graduate of Nashville High School and a 1965 graduate of Greensboro College. She was reared on a tobacco and cotton farm.

She was a 4-H Club member for eight years, and a third



ELLA M. BONE place winner in the State 4-H Dress Revue in 1960. She was a county winner in the sewing demonstration and participated in 4-H dairy foods program. At Greensboro College she was a member of the Home Economics Club, a member of the Student National Education Association, and a member of the Irving Society. Miss Bone was a trainee for six weeks in Pitts County in 1964, and is a member of the Methodist Church.