



Shown above are gifts that Lion Monroe Gardner, district governor, received at the International Convention held in New York July 6-9. Each district throughout the world gave presents to all the district governors-elect. The district governors were installed at the close of the convention. Gardner attended a school for district

governors in New York July 3-5. Local Lions and Lionesses attending the convention in addition to District Governor Monroe Gardner were Mrs. Gardner, Mr. and Mrs. Pete Burrows and John Andrews. Viewing the exhibits with District Governor Gardner are Mrs. Gardner and two children, Walter and Jan.

Warrenton Man Kidnapped And Robbed By Two Hitchhikers

Police in two counties and the State Bureau of Investigation are still searching for two white men who kidnapped and robbed a Warrenton Negro late Sunday night.

John Lyons, an employee for many years of W. A. Miles Hardware Company, was forced by two hitchhikers to drive his car to a point near Rocky Mount where he was robbed of his pocketbook, containing eighteen dollars in cash and his driver's license, before releasing him and his car.

Lyons told a representative of The Warren Record on Tuesday morning that as he was returning from the home of a friend near Macon between 10:30 and 11 p. m. Sunday that he slowed down at the railroad crossing in Macon. Here a white man asked him for a ride to Warrenton. As he was getting in the front seat of the car a second white man came around from behind a boxcar and crawled into the back seat.

Lyons said that he could not tell the ages of the men, but judged they were somewhere around 40.

When Lyons reached the intersection at the Macon and the Warrenton roads, the man in the back seat told him they wanted to go to Rocky Mount. Lyons protested that he had to go to Warrenton, but glancing over his shoulder he saw that the man in the back had a gun leveled at his back.

Lyons said he could not describe the pistol, except that it was big and shiny. "I was pretty excited," he said.

The man in the back seat ordered Lyons to stop his car and get in the back seat with him while his companion got under the steering wheel.

The man drove the car to a point near Rocky Mount, off the highway, where they again stopped. Here Lyons was told to get out of the car. The men got out of the car with him and took his pocketbook, then told him to take his car and leave.

Lyons said that he was unfamiliar with the road to Rocky Mount and became lost. As a consequence it was nearly 8 o'clock Sunday morning before he reached his home here. He changed his clothes and reported for work at 8 o'clock before notifying Sheriff Clarence Davis of the kidnapping and robbery.

Sheriff Davis called in the SBI and on Monday afternoon they carried Lyons to a point near Rocky Mount where he

identified the spot where he was robbed.

Lyons said on Tuesday morning that he is still considerably disturbed and nervous as a result of his experience. He said that he would not have stopped at the Macon crossing had he known that there was more than one man wanting a lift.

He said that he had been to the home of Mrs. Ida Townes where he had been sitting with the body of a member of the family.

Lyons said that he suffered no physical harm from the two men except from the shock of his experience, but that his car became overheated as a result of the drive to Rocky Mount and the engine has developed a knock.

Miss Warren County Returns From Pageant

Miss Tessa Karen Fair, "Miss Warren County," returned to her home here Sunday after a week of arduous competition in the Jaycee pageant at Greensboro for the title of Miss North Carolina.

"While Kay did not become a finalist, she proved herself every inch a queen by her deportment at Greensboro during the week of competition," Bobby Blaylock, who with his wife chaperoned Miss Fair. "We are very proud of Kay," he said.

In an open letter addressed to the citizens of Warren County, Miss Fair yesterday said:

"I want to express my sincere appreciation and heart-

felt thanks for your support through letters, telegrams, and flowers while I was competing in the North Carolina State Pageant.

"An extra special thanks go to the Warren Jaycees, Bobby and Donna Blaylock, and Mr. Wright Tisdale, Sr., of Ford Motor Company."

Blaylock said that it was evident during the pageant that Miss Fair received quite a lift from the evidence of support from Warren County citizens.

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Assault Cases Tried

Two assault cases, resulting in suspended sentences, were tried in Warren County Recorder's Court last Friday. The remainder of the cases were concerned with violations of the motor vehicle laws.

Leroy Hawkins was sentenced to the roads for 60 days when he pled guilty to an assault on a female. The sentence was suspended for two years provided the defendant remains of good behavior, does not violate any criminal laws of North Carolina for two years and pays court costs.

Robert Johnson was found guilty of an assault with a deadly weapon and sentenced to the roads for 60 days. The sentence was suspended for two years provided the defendant not violate any criminal laws of the state for two years, remain of good behavior and pays court costs.

Vinson Alston, Jr., was charged with reckless driving and leaving the scene of an accident. Prayer for judgment was continued upon payment of costs.

Morris Drumgold was ordered to pay a \$200 fine and court costs when he pled guilty to a charge of operating a motor vehicle while his driver's license was suspended.

Dallas Boyd pled guilty to a charge of driving without a valid operator's license. He was ordered to pay a \$25 fine and court costs.

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Man Held As Result Accident

Joseph Towns, 40-year-old Warren County Negro who works in Baltimore, Md., is being held under \$1,000 bond for his appearance in the Sept. term of Warren County Superior Court to answer a charge of leaving the scene of a fatal accident.

Utsless Brown, 57-year-old Negro of Rt. 2, Warrenton, is dead as the result of being struck by an automobile as he was lying in the public highway at Afton around 1 a. m. Saturday.

Brown was struck by a 1960 Pontiac automobile driven by Joseph Towns and containing four additional passengers who work in Baltimore.

A coroner's jury, meeting at the court house Saturday at 7 p. m., held that Towns was not guilty of killing Brown. The jury report read: "We, the jury, don't think that Joe Towns were guilty of killing Ulyses Brown by running over him."

Members of the coroner's jury were Stover Vaughan, W. Elmer Thompson, James Burton, Rufus Burnett, Willie Ravis and Alex Brown.

Highway Trooper Wallace Brown, who investigated the accident, said that the body of Brown was the most mangled that he had ever seen. Blood, portions of the body and shreds of clothing were found under the front of the Pontiac and shreds of flesh were found near the rear of the car. The body looked "like an old cow hide," Brown said.

Brown said that the body was seen in the road by Clinton Neal, Jr., shortly after 1 o'clock Saturday morning. Neal notified Warrenton Night Officer Kenneth Short who notified Trooper Brown of the accident. Clinton Neal, Sr., and Clinton Neal, Jr., accompanied Patrolman Brown to the scene of the accident.

Trooper Brown said that he found the car driven by Brown in a driveway two-tenths of a mile beyond the scene of the accident and that four colored men were sitting in the car. He identified these as Louis Towns of Rt. 1, Warrenton, Early Richardson of Rt. 2, Warrenton, and Roy Porter of Baltimore, Md., and a fourth man unidentified. He said the

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BRANCH APPOINTED

Joseph Branch, Enfield attorney, was on Thursday appointed a Justice of the State Supreme Court by Gov. Dan K. Moore. Branch was Moore's campaign manager in Halifax County and his liaison officer with the State Legislature.

GUEST SOLOIST

Leonard Daniel will be the guest soloist at the Emmanuel Episcopal Church on Sunday July 24th at the eleven o'clock service.

In Spite Of Drought

Warrenton Has No Shortage Of Water

There is plenty of water in Warrenton for customers of the Warrenton Water Company to water their lawns, gardens, wash their car and allow their children to play in, Bill Neal, water superintendent, said Tuesday.

While many towns are having to curtail the use of water Warrenton has plenty, he said.

Neal said that while Fishing Creek, from which Warrenton obtains its water, is low, it contains many times as much water as the town is using.

Normal consumption of water for this time of year, Neal said, is about 180,000 gallons per day. The filter plant would have to run about eight hours to produce that amount.

Neal said that during the month of July the plant reached a record high of 271,000 gallons per day. The filter plant has to operate about 14 hours per day to filter this amount of water. He said even at this rate the water plant is under no strain and could produce as much as 450,000 gallons of water per day.

When the town abandoned its wells and went to Fishing Creek for its water supply, the town was using about 75,000 gallons a day, Neal said.



DONNA BRAUER

Miss Brauer To Compete For State 4-H Award

Donna Brauer, a member of the Ridgeway Community 4-H Club and winner in the East Central District 4-H Electric demonstration contest, will compete for a state award during State 4-H Club Week in Raleigh July 25-30, Miss Emily Ballinger, home economics agent, announced yesterday. Donna's demonstration will be "Electric Knives—Their Use and Care."

Other Warren County club members to attend 4-H Club Week for the week are Shirley Seaman, Ruby Kimball, Delaine Meek, Robert Bender, Robin Capps and Philip West. Other club members planning to go for special events during the week are Butch Meek and Phil Harris.

Shirley Seaman and Phil Harris, Warren County 4-H Queen and King of Health, will participate in the State Health Pageant on Tuesday night. Butch Meek and Robert Bender will receive recognition at the Leadership Award Banquet. Mrs. Wilson Fleming and Mr. Alvis Fleming, Warren County 4-H Adult Leaders and State winners in 4-H Alumni Recognition, will receive awards at a banquet on Thursday night. Miss Emily Ballinger, Home Economics Extension Agent, will accompany the club members to Raleigh.

Chandler Resigns As Asst. Supt. Of Warren Co. Schools

S. C. Chandler, assistant superintendent of Warren County Schools, in charge of the federal school program in the county, has resigned, effective Aug. 1.

Chandler, former principal of John Graham High School, who resigned the end of the past school year to accept the position as assistant superintendent of the Goldsboro City Schools.

The new position carries a considerable increase in salary.

Three Warrenton Firemen Re-elected As State Officers

Three Warrenton firemen were re-elected to State offices at the annual Colored Volunteer Firemen's Convention held here last week.

McCarroll Alston was re-elected state treasurer; Cleveland Anderson was re-elected financial secretary; and Alfred Davis was re-elected state marshal.

Alston, deputy chief of the Warrenton Company, said yesterday that the convention was a decided success and that the firemen apparently had a good time at the convention.

Alston said that on behalf of the Warrenton firemen he wished to express their sincere thanks to the commissioners, the Merchants Association and other citizens who donated for the floats or otherwise assisted in giving such a warm welcome to the visiting firemen. Much of the success of the convention, he said, was due to their assistance.

SERVICE AT RIDGEWAY

A service of Morning Prayer will be held at the Church of the Good Shepherd in Ridgeway on Sunday morning at 9:45 o'clock, the Rev. J. M. Stoney, rector, announced yesterday.

GUEST SOLOIST

Miss Janie Williams will be guest soloist at the 11 o'clock service at Wesley Memorial Methodist Church Sunday.

Negro Boy Scout Is Drowned At Kerr Lake

A 16-year-old Negro Boy Scout from Bahama in Durham County drowned at Bullocksville Park on Kerr Lake Saturday morning while on an outing with his Scout troop.

This was the second drowning reported from Kerr Lake this season. Herman Lee Bates, 15-year-old Negro youth, drowned at Kerr Lake on July 7.

Capt. Ranger Wilkerson of the Vance County Rescue Squad identified the victim as Larry Roberts. The youth was a member of a group under leadership of W. S. Evans, Scoutmaster, Wilkerson said.

This was the second drowning reported from Kerr Lake this season. Herman Lee Bates, 15-year-old Negro youth, drowned at Kerr Lake on July 7.

Witnesses said young Roberts got into difficulty and called for help while swimming in water about eight feet deep, some 15 feet from shore. Evans reportedly made a rescue effort, but was unable to support the splashing youth, and finally had to return to shore to save his own life.

Called at 10:25 a.m.; the Rescue Squad crew was joined at the Satterwhite Point boat dock by Deputy Sheriff W. W. Shearin, and Kerr Reservoir Commission Rangers Lawrence Kearson, Billy Twisdale and Wayne Parham. They recovered the body at 10:45 a.m. Kearson said a lifeguard assigned to the swimming area

at Bullocksville had not reported for duty when the drowning took place.

Members of the Rescue squad who answered the call included: Capt. Wilkerson, Ray Crews, H. A. Reams, Webb Miller, Richard Matthews, and Murat Kearney.

Fitts Funeral Is Held Here Tuesday

Funeral services for William Claiborne Fitts, 64, who died Monday, were conducted at Blaylock Funeral Home Tuesday at 2 p. m. with the Rev. Ted Wilson and the Rev. Cleveland Bradner officiating. Burial was in Fairview Cemetery.

He is survived by a sister, Mrs. Annie Fitts Lamb of Warrenton; and two brothers, the Rev. Robert Fitts of Oxford and Dr. Nathan P. Fitts of Warrenton.

IN LOST COLONY

Ellen Baxter, a former resident of Warrenton, is dancing this summer with the Lost Colony at the Roanoke Theatre in Manteo. Her mother, Mrs. Ann Baxter of Chapel Hill, and Mrs. Barker Williams plan to attend the pageant at Manteo Sunday. Miss Baxter is the granddaughter of the Rev. and Mrs. E. W. Baxter of Warrenton.

Mr. William P. Conn of New York is visiting his mother, Mrs. W. P. Conn.

Coaching Staff Changes Made At John Graham

Major changes have been made in the coaching staff of John Graham High School for the 1966-67 school year, it was learned yesterday from the office of the superintendent of schools.

Instead of one head coach, a coach has been hired for each of the three major sports at the local school.

Jimmie Webb, head coach and lone coach at John Graham last year, who resigned at the end of the school year, has been re-hired as head football coach and Math teacher. He will also serve as golf coach.

John Burwell, former coach at John Graham who has been coaching at Apex for the past

two years, has accepted a position as head basketball coach. He will also teach history and physical education. Burwell is a graduate of Guilford College. Mrs. Burwell, also a graduate of Guilford College, will teach the third grade at Marlam Boyd school.

Wayne Plaster of Columbus High School, where he coached basketball and baseball, will be head baseball coach. He is a graduate of Atlantic Christian College where he was a pitcher on the varsity team. He will teach physical education. His wife, Mrs. Sue Plaster, also a graduate of Atlantic Christian College, will teach English at John Graham High School.



Shown in the picture is Ben Carroll and three sons of the Warren Plains community happily topping large tobacco that gives one the impression of a wonderful growing season. In the background, is the irrigation system applying the second irrigation. Mr. Carroll is irrigating some 20 acres but he says you should see the four acres in contrast that is too far from a pond to

pump water. Adjoining this farm is beautiful irrigated tobacco on the Tom Frazier and Charlie Keeter farms. When you hit this area, tobacco looks wonderful and proving that irrigation does a mighty good job in dry weather. (Caption and picture by Frank W. Reams, county extension chairman.)