



The 1968 Easter Seal appeal in North Carolina opened on March 7 with a reception at the North Carolina Museum of Art hosted by Mrs. Dan Moore and the North Carolina Art Society. Guests of honor included State Easter Seal Chairman, Jim Beatty, and 10 year old State Easter Seal twins, Sammy and Kenny Query, of Charlotte. Pictured at the reception from Warrenton are: Mrs. Leonard Daniel, Mrs. W. L. Wood, Mrs. Thomas Ellington and Mrs. R. B. Butler.

Easter Seal Campaign Underway

The 1968 Easter Seal campaign to raise funds for crippled children and adults will begin this week in Warren County, Mrs. Hugh W. White, Easter Seal Society chairman, announced yesterday.

Mrs. White said the campaign which will last April 14, is to raise and continue treatment and rehabilitation services for children and adults, to help them to walk, to talk, and all the other things most of us take for granted.

The Easter Seal campaign is sponsored by the Warrenton

Woman's Club and has for its theme "People have got to help people."

The offer of help to one human being by another is one of the most ancient traditions, Mrs. White said. It is just as true today as it was in the Biblical time of the good Samaritans.

Mrs. White said that last year the Society provided rehabilitation services to almost a quarter million Americans through its nationwide network of centers. More than 20 handicapped persons received help from the Warren County Easter Seal Society, such as

wheelchairs, crutches, walkers, medicine, transportation to medical centers, and one child was privileged to spend two weeks at Camp Easter in the Pines for crippled children. But needs of the handicapped and costs of providing expert professional care are rising, and more money than ever before will be needed to serve the handicapped during 1968.

"The real credit," she said, "belongs to the many millions who contribute each year to enable the Easter Seal Society to help people. For in the world of today, it takes a lot more than one or two 'good Samaritans'."

"The people of Warren County have always responded to our needs," Mrs. White added, "and I feel certain you will make it possible to increase Easter Seal service to the crippled during the coming year. Even if you haven't given to Easter Seals in the past, please do this year. Despite the march of progress, the ranks of the handicapped are growing, and more money than ever before is needed to continue helping them."

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One Jury Case Tried In Recorder's Court

One jury case was tried in Warren County Recorder's Court last Friday when Thomas Lewis Rooker was found guilty on a charge of drunk driving.

Rooker, ordered to pay a \$100 fine and court costs, appealed his case to Superior Court and appearance bond was set at \$150.

James Alston and George Lewis Edwards, each charged with possession and receiving stolen property, were found not guilty.

Teet Carter 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 upon condition the defendant pays a fine of \$50 and court costs.

Albert Salmon was sentenced to the roads for two years when he pled guilty to a charge of theft.

Kimp Lee was ordered to pay a \$25 fine and court costs when

he pled guilty to having no operator's licenses.

William Mack Davis pled guilty to a charge of having no operator's license. He was ordered to pay a \$25 fine and court costs.

Ezra Adams was sentenced to the roads for 60 days when he pled guilty to a charge of speeding. The sentence was suspended for two years upon condition the defendant pays a \$50 fine and court costs.

Defendants in other speeding cases and verdicts of the court were as follows:

Henry Allen Pierce, \$10 and costs; Bernard P. Smiley, costs; William Edward Evans, \$10 and costs; Marvin Lee Grissom, costs; Helen Falkner West, costs; Flavious Vaughan, costs; Thomas David Frazier, Jr., costs; Ricard Albert Campbell, costs; Robert Blair Neal, Jr., costs.

Welcome Center Planned On I-85 Near State Line

RALEIGH — Contracts totaling \$146,316 have been awarded for the construction of North Carolina's first two welcome centers, which will be located on Interstate Highways 85 and 95 near the Virginia line.

According to Bill F. Hensley, director of the State Travel and Promotion Division, construction of the centers is expected to begin immediately. They are tentatively scheduled to be in operation by mid-July.

Funds for the two centers, which will be located on existing highway rest areas, were approved by the 1967 General Assembly. Hensley said a request for five additional centers will be made to the Legislature in 1969.

Low bids for general contract work were submitted by Central Builders, Inc., of Rocky Mount, and A. D. Haverstock, of Roanoke Rapids. Central Builders submitted a bid of \$52,779 for the center on I-85 while A. D. Haverstock's bid for the I-95 center was \$44,250. Both centers will be identical.

Of traditional design, each will contain about 2,800 square feet of floor space. Most of the space will be used by the reception area, where travel literature, weather information and scenes from various sections of the State will be displayed.

The centers will be open year-around from 8 a. m. to 5 p. m., except during the peak travel months of summer when longer hours will be required. Each will be staffed by a manager, senior receptionist, two junior receptionists and a custodian.

The plumbing contracts for both centers was awarded to Pemberton, Inc., of Rocky Mount, with a bid of \$20,525. Oxford Metal Shop, of Oxford, submitted a low bid of \$4,746 for mechanical work at the center on I-85, while J. E. Ballenger, of Wilson bid \$4,634 for mechanical work in the I-95 center. Whitley's Electric, of Wilson, submitted a combined low bid of \$15,682 for electrical work at both centers.

Special Meeting To Be Held On Housing

A special interest meeting on basic requirements of a well constructed house will be held Thursday, March 21, at 7:30 p. m. in the Warren County Court House at Warrenton, Mrs. Bertha Forte, extension home economics agent, announced yesterday.

W. C. Warrick, extension agricultural engineering specialist at North Carolina State University, Raleigh, will conduct the meeting.

Mrs. Forte said that anyone planning to build or do any repair work is invited to attend. If at all possible, she said, husbands and wives should attend this meeting together.

Door prizes, consisting of paint and items of hardware, will be given during the meeting.

Fashion Show To Be Held At Norlina Gym

The Norlina Junior Woman's Club will sponsor a Spring Fashion Show on March 29 at 7:30 p. m. at the Norlina High School Gym. The program, "Younger Than Springtime," will feature 100 models from stores in Henderson, Warrenton and Norlina.

Mrs. Stephen Daniel, in announcing the show, said that door prizes will be given and special entertainment will be an added feature this week.

Tickets are now on sale and may be purchased from any club member, or one may call 456-4831 and have them delivered. Admission will be adults \$1.00 and children 50¢.

Mrs. Robert Orvis is visiting relatives in Charlotte.

Drive For R. C. Funds To Be Held

A drive for funds to maintain a Red Cross service department in Warren County will soon be conducted here and over the county.

Plans to start the drive were started at a meeting of interested citizens with Mrs. Gray Marshall, a volunteer Red Cross worker from Enfield, at the Episcopal Parish House last Thursday afternoon.

A. C. Fair was appointed temporary drive chairman. George Kilgore, A. C. Fair, Nat Hilliard and Joe Andrews were selected as a committee to canvass the business district of Warrenton.

It was decided to have the residential sections of the towns and rural areas canvassed under the direction of one of the county's civic clubs, and Mayor W. A. Miles was asked to contact a club or clubs with this in view.

Mayor Miles said that the Warren County Jaycees would determine whether or not it would sponsor the campaign at a director's meeting the latter part of this week.

The need for funds for a service department and the importance of this phase of work of the Red Cross Chapter was emphasized, and it was determined that a minimum of \$1,000 should be raised for this purpose. Civilian contacts with service men and their families are carried on in each county by the Red Cross Service Department through a service officer. Bruce Bell, Macon postmaster, has served as service officer on a voluntary basis for the past two years.

The group at the Parish House expressed the view that with the increase of the tempo of the war in Vietnam that it is essential to raise funds for apart time worker in this field. They expressed their appreciation to Bell for the splendid service he has rendered to Warren County servicemen and their families on a voluntary basis, but held that it is unreasonable to ask that he continue Easter Seal service to the crippled during the coming year. Even if you haven't given to Easter Seals in the past, please do this year. Despite the march of progress, the ranks of the handicapped are growing, and more money than ever before is needed to continue helping them.

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Food Stamp Certification To Begin In Warren On April 1



May 1 Is Date For Issuance

Certification for the Food Stamp Program in Warren County is planned to begin on April 1 with issuance of food stamp programs on May 1, Julian W. Farrar, Warren County Welfare Director, announced yesterday.

Farrar said that certification would be made from a mobile trailer to be located on the grounds of the Welfare Office near the hospital and that coupons would be issued at the Citizens Bank's branch on the Norlina road.

A representative of the USDA plans to meet with and qualify merchants around the middle of April, Farrar said. Announcement of the actual time of his announcement will be made later, he said.

The Food Stamp program will be brought to Warren County under arrangements recently made with the United States Department of Agriculture for county citizens to participate in the program.

Farrar said that the Food Stamp program is a means by which needy families and those receiving public assistance are able to buy more food in retail stores. Purchases are made with federal food coupons, which permit families to buy most of the foods carried on the grocers' shelves.

Each month eligible persons buy food coupon books at the branch bank of the Citizens bank, where they will get more money in food stamps than they pay in cash. These stamps are taken to the person's own grocery store where they may buy the foods he wants with them. Farrar said that the stamps would be used just like money for the purchase of food. He said that welfare checks would not be less because of the food stamps.

The surplus commodity program, in effect in Warren County since January 1, will be discontinued, and in the future the county will operate under the Food Stamp program.

Farrar said that food coupons are issued to households determined by public welfare departments to be in need of food assistance. Eligible households include persons receiving public assistance, such as those with dependent children, the aged, the disabled, and the blind. The unemployed, or those with limited income, may also be certified to receive food coupons. For instance, he said, a family of two persons with monthly income of \$140 or less may be eligible. Likewise, a family of five persons with monthly income of \$215 or a family of 10 persons with monthly income of \$280 or less may be eligible.

Persons receiving a public assistance check are asked to contact their caseworker for further information on the program. Needy persons not receiving a public assistance check may go to the County Welfare Department any weekday after certification starts to have their eligibility determined.



Lancaster Appointed Elections Chairman

Paul Lancaster of Norlina, insurance agent with the Warren County Farm Bureau, was on March 4 appointed chairman of the Warren County Board of Election. He succeeds Wiley G. Coleman of Warrenton who resigned after some 17 years service.

His appointment was made by the State Board of Elections. Lancaster took the oath of office on March 5 before Mrs. Lanie Hayes, Clerk of Superior Court.

Other members of the board are Clarence Britton of Warrenton and M. W. Parham of Route 2, Henderson.

Lancaster said yesterday that the filing date for county offices would expire at 12 Noon on March 22. The date for filing for state and district offices has already expired.

In Warren County Over 4400 Participate In Commodity Program

The U. S. Department of Agriculture food program aided 4421 needy persons in Warren County during January, the USDA's Consumer and Marketing Service announced this week. This would represent around one-fourth of the population of the county.

The USDA food programs aided 173,958 persons in the state during January, the release stated. This was 13,061 persons more than the number that took part in the programs during December.

USDA's Consumer and Marketing Service said that 139,344 persons in 64 counties took part in its commodity distribution program and that 34,614 persons in 21 counties took part in its food stamp program.

Officials of C&M's consumer food programs office at Atlanta attributed January's increased participation to the entrance of Anson and Warren counties into the commodity distribution program and a general decline in agricultural employment.

In North Carolina, the commodity distribution program is administered by the North Carolina Department of Agriculture, and the food stamp program is administered by the North Carolina Board of Public Welfare, both in cooperation with the Consumer and Marketing Service.

Food distributed during January to needy North Carolina families had an estimated retail value of \$1,114,752. These foods included dried beans, corn meal, flour, grits, lard, shortening, margarine, butter, cheese, chopped meat, dried milk, peanut butter, dried split peas, raisins, rice and rolled oats.

Low-income families taking part in the food stamp program traded \$259,130 of their own money during January for \$499,812 worth of USDA food stamp coupons. Then, these families received \$240,582 worth of free, bonus coupons that they could use to buy more food with local grocery stores.

Vernon White Announces For N. Carolina Senate

Vernon E. White, prominent Pitt County farmer and businessman, on Wednesday announced his candidacy for State Senator of the Fourth District subject to the Democratic Primary of May 4. The fourth district embraces the counties of Pitt, Edgecombe, Halifax and Warren.

The entry in the race of the Pitt County man assures a contest in the fourth district as there are now three candidates for the two positions in the district. Julian Allsbrook of Roanoke Rapids and Vinson Bridgers of Tarboro have previously announced their candidacy.

White, a resident of Winterville, has been an active leader in the Agricultural, Civic Educational and Religious affairs of Eastern North Carolina for the past 39 years. A native Eastern North Carolina (See WHITE, page 6)



WHITE

All Commissioners To Seek Relection

All five members of the Board of County Commissioners have filed for re-election subject to the Democratic Primary of May 4.

Chairman Amos L. Capps, and Commissioners Robert P. Thorne, A. J. Ellington, John Wilson and Richard Davis filed their notice of candidacy before Paul Lancaster, chairman of the board of elections on Monday night.

Vaughan Named Town's Relief Officer

Wiley D. Vaughan, Warrenton Township Constable, was appointed a special or relief officer for the Town of Warrenton at the regular meeting of the town commissioners Monday night.

Vaughan replaces Theodore Roosevelt Vaughan as relief officer. T. R. Vaughan, the town's first Negro police officer, was recently appointed as regular officer.

Mrs. Bob Scott To Be Honored At Tea

Mrs. Bob Scott, wife of a candidate for Governor of North Carolina, will be honored at a tea at the Warren Plaza Inn on Friday afternoon when friends of Candidate Scott will have an opportunity to meet his wife.

The tea is being sponsored by a group of Warren County women interested in the candidacy of Lt. Governor Robert Scott.

Mrs. A. D. Alston is visiting her daughter, Mrs. C. S. Scott, Jr., in Raleigh.

Wine Losing Proposition

The Town of Warrenton does not receive enough tax from the sale of wine in its borders to pay the cost of picking up wine bottles.

This was the view expressed by the city fathers in their regular meeting Monday night when the question of litters was up for consideration.

Not only was the scattering of beer cans and wine bottles condemned by the board members, but also under discussion was the manner in which a number of the merchants handled their trash.

It was pointed out that the Town during the last fiscal year received only \$140 as its proportionate part of the state wine tax, which was not sufficient to pay the cost of collecting the wine bottles thrown on streets, and in alleys.

The police department was instructed to arrest all violators of the ordinance against such practice. The Chief of Police was also instructed to

seek the cooperation of all licensed beer and wine dealers in the Town as members of the board observed that the continuation of such practice of littering could result in the Town's refusal to issue wine licenses to dealers.

The Chief of Police was instructed to notify all business establishments in the Town that all waste or refuse from such firms has to be placed in garbage cans or bins constructed in the rear of buildings in order to be picked up by the Town's Sanitation Department.

The commissioners noted that some places of business are now in violation of the Town Anti-Littering ordinance by dumping refuse and garbage to the rear of their places of business without providing bins or cans.

H. H. Salmon, chief of police, was instructed to strictly enforce the ordinance against such littering after having first (See TOWN, page 6)

Four Board Members File For Re-Election

Four members of the Warren County Board of Education filed notice of their candidacy to re-election to the board at their regular meeting Monday night.

Gid F. Alston, Boyd Mayfield, Robert Gupton, and Dr. Sam R. Massey, Jr., filed before Paul Lancaster, chairman of the Warren County Board of Elections, who was present at the board meeting for the purpose of accepting the filing notices.

Chairman Eugene Davis was not present at the meeting and did not file.

DEADLINE

March 19 is the deadline for obtaining tickets for the Friends of the College Concert series for the 1968-69 season. Mrs. John R. Link, in charge of ticket sales in the county, said yesterday. She asks that anyone interested in obtaining tickets contact her. Her telephone number is 257-9913.