

The Warren Record



Precinct officials at East Warrenton Precinct await possible arrival of Republican voter. Shown, left to right, are Mrs. Leonard Rudd and H. R. Judges of Election, and Leonard Rudd, Register.

Record Light Vote Cast In Republican Primary

All records for lightness of vote fell in Warren County Saturday when 14 precincts turned in a total of 10 votes in the Republican Primary which pitted Robert Vance Somers against J. H. (Larry) Zimmerman for the Republican nomination for United States Senate.

Zimmerman won in the county, 6 to 4 but lost in the state. Not a vote was cast in six precincts of the county during the long 12-hour vigil of election officials. The greatest number of votes were cast in the Norlina precinct which gave Somers two votes and Zimmerman 1.

River cast two votes, both for Zimmerman. Smith Creek gave Somers its single vote; Sandy Creek two for Zimmerman; Fishing Creek one for Zimmerman, and Fork one vote.

Sixpound, Hawtree, Nutbush, Shocco, Judkins, West Warrenton, Roanoke and East Warrenton precincts did not poll a single vote during the day.

According to the vote for governor in the First Primary there are more than 50 Republicans registered in Warren County, but last Saturday only a fifth of those took the trouble to vote.

The Second Primary offered a definite change in reporting their returns as contrasted with

the First Primary when votes were being counted in some precincts at 6 a. m. Sunday. Within a matter of minutes after the polls closed at 6:30 p. m. Saturday returns had been phoned in. Before 7 p. m. 10 of the 14 precinct registrars had made their reports. By 7:30 p. m. all but two precincts had reported, before 8:30 all precincts had reported and the county returns had been phoned in to the Associated Press.

In the First Primary the justified complaint of election officials was that they were overworked. The complaint Saturday may well have been that they did not have anything to do. There were few visitors to any of the precincts during the day and 12 hours of idleness can become tiring. With only three persons taking part, conversation can run out after a few hours, and then there remains hours of waiting.

West Warrenton precinct officials overcame this boredom in the afternoon when the officials obtained a portable TV set and watched a big league ball game, but even that ran out before the afternoon had passed. In the three other precincts visited by a representative of this newspaper during the day, it was a matter of waiting it out. But everything finally passes, even 12 hours of idleness.

Request Made To Fully Integrate Two Libraries

The directors of the Warren County Community Center Library have requested full integration with the Warren County Memorial Library in its operation and the reading of books.

This was revealed on Monday at the regular meeting of the board of county commissioners, when he read a letter to this effect from the Rev. J. E. McGrier, chairman of the Community Center Library. No action on the proposal was taken by the commissioners.

The letter to Chairman Capps, dated May 2, reads as follows:

"In a meeting of the Warren County Community Center Library Directors on Saturday, April 27, 1968, the action taken

by the State Library Board to discontinue the splitting of the State and Federal grants in Warren County after the current fiscal year was thoroughly discussed and the following action was recommended:

"1. Since all State and Federal Aid grants are to be made to the Warren County Memorial Library, which is the central library of the county, the Community Center Library is therefore requesting full participation in all phases of the Memorial Library operations, from the Board of Directors down through the reading of books.

"2. A library branch would be acceptable, pending satisfactory action on item one."



L. W. Kidd, Registrar, pauses for a moment's relaxation at polls in Roanoke Township.

Warren Has Low Income Per Capita

Warren County ranked 98th in the State of North Carolina in its per capita personal income in 1966, a release from the State Department of Tax Research states, with the comment that the report should be read carefully with an awareness of its limitations.

Personnel of the Employment Security Commission, the State Library, the Department of Revenue, and the Department of Administration aided in preparing the estimates. Ranking 100th in per capita income was Hyde County, and in 99th place was Gates County. Mecklenburg County ranked No. 1 in the estimates.

The average per capita personal income in North Carolina in 1966, according to the report, was \$2,277. Warren's per capita income was \$1,178; Hyde's was \$1,143; Gates' was \$1,156; and Mecklenburg's was \$3,299.

Counties with the highest per capita income were found in the Piedmont; and families with the lowest incomes were found in Eastern North Carolina and Western North Carolina.

Vance County, with a per capita income of \$1,834, ranked 50th. The ranking of other counties bordering Warren were: Franklin, \$1,479, 77; Nash, \$1,748, 54; Northampton, \$1,748, 54; Northampton, \$1,748, 54; Northampton, \$1,748, 54.

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Injured In Wreck Helicopter Transfers Marine To Hospital

Corporal Patrick Ungar, 21, of Poland, Ohio, a member of the Marine Corps, stationed at Camp Lejeune, and his 10-year-old brother, John Roy Ungar, were painfully injured in a single-car wreck on Route 58 about two miles south of Liberia at 1:30 a. m. Monday morning.

Both men were taken to Warren General Hospital, suffering with multiple abrasions. Corp. Ungar was transferred by helicopter to the Marine Hospital at Cherry Point on Monday afternoon. John Roy Ungar was still a patient in the local hospital at noon on Wednesday.

Highway Patrolman Sam Webster, who investigated the accident, said that the 1968 Volkswagen being driven by Corporal Ungar was traveling at a high rate of speed

when it went out of control on a curve and turned over several times. He estimated damage to the car at \$2,000.

Webster said that Corp. Ungar is charged with reckless driving.

Notified by Patrolman Webster that Corporal Ungar had been injured in the wreck, Marine officials contacted Lt. Col. Howard Oakley and Major Eddie Clayton of the CAP who made arrangements to have a helicopter land in a driveway at the Fair Ground and assisted in removing Ungar from an ambulance into the helicopter.

Col. Oakley said that a Little League baseball game was underway at the Fair Ground at the time and that a large crowd watched the landing and taking off of the helicopter with its passenger.

Warren County Invited To Join Regional Body

Warren County was on Monday invited to become a member of the North-East Economic Development District, composed of a number of North-eastern counties interested in development of the entire area.

Dr. James Stone, assistant field director of the Economic Development Administration, Joe Grimsley and R. E. Timberlake appeared before the county commissioners on Monday afternoon to discuss the advantages of a development district and matters pertaining to the operation and cost of becoming a member. They said that they were now doing the preliminary work of establishing the district and did not want an immediate decision by the board.

The cost to the county, the representatives said, would be around 7 to 8 per cent per capita, which would mean that Warren's annual cost would be around \$1300 to \$1500 a year. However, since it would be at least six months before the organization can be completed the first year cost would be around \$700. The county should receive many times its investment in increased economic development, the representatives said.

The Northeast Economic Development District is one of four districts being set up for the development of Eastern North Carolina. Its objective is to work for the development of the counties as a region in education, health facilities, training centers and for the pooling of resources to obtain industries beyond the capacity of a single county to obtain. It means, the representative said, the abolition of county lines in the hunt for industries, although each county would have a voice in the overall operation.

Counties proposed for the district include Vance, Franklin, Wake, Harnett, Warren, Halifax, Nash, Johnston, Wil-

Highway Officials To Hold Mass Meeting At Court House

Highway officials will hold a public meeting in the court room of the Warren County courthouse on Thursday, June 13, from 10 a. m. to 12 noon, Amos L. Capps, chairman of the board of commissioners, announced yesterday.

Capps said that J. B. Brame Division Highway Commissioner, Merle Adkins, division engineer, and Wayne Adkins, district engineer, would be present to discuss the priority system of surfacing roads, and other highway problems of the county. He said that persons desiring to discuss their highway problems are urged to attend the meeting.

The decision to have the highway officials appear at a public meeting was made at the regular meeting of the board of commissioners on Monday, after several delegations had expressed dissatisfaction with the priority given their roads.

Many Applicants Under The Food Stamp Program

Food Stamp Meeting To Be Held Here On June 18

The U. S. Department of Agriculture's Consumer and Marketing Service has scheduled an important meeting at Warrenton to explain its food stamp program to retail and wholesale grocers in Warren County.

Sam W. Pope, officer in charge of the Rocky Mount field office, said yesterday that the meeting would be held at the Warrenton Courthouse on Tuesday, June 18, at 2 p. m.

The Consumer and Marketing Service urges all grocers

serving customers in Warren County to attend the meeting and apply for authorization to take part in the program. The food stamp program is scheduled to get underway in Warren County in July.

Pope said that failure to receive authorization before the program gets underway could result in grocers losing food sales, because only retailers who have been authorized by the Consumer and Marketing Service may handle USDA food coupons.

Program To Begin Here July First

Applicants are plentiful and the interest is high among the low-income families of Warren County requesting food assistance through the U. S. Department of Agriculture's Food Stamp Program, Julian Farrar, Welfare director, said yesterday.

The Food Stamp Program, which is to begin in Warren County the first of July, offers food assistance to needy families so that they may buy more and better food at local retail grocery stores, Farrar said.

Farrar said that it is important to those living on a small income, such as Social Security, retirement benefits, welfare aid, and other types of monthly assistance or compensation, or low-income day laborers, to let the Welfare Department determine if they are eligible for food stamp help.

He said that Food Stamp applications by needy families should be made by going to the Warren County Welfare Department's Mobile Office near the hospital in Warrenton. The office is open daily, Monday through Friday, from 8:30 a. m. to 4 p. m.

Farrar said that regular welfare public assistance families should contact their case workers at the main Welfare building office on the hospital grounds.

Two Injured In Wreck

Two Negro men were painfully but not seriously injured in a head-on collision of two cars around 8 p. m. Sunday night and taken to Warren General Hospital.

The accident occurred on unpaved rural road No. 1223 north of Ridgeway.

Alvin Boyd, 54, of Route 2, Norlina, driver of a 1962 Pontiac, received six stitches in his forehead and was discharged from the hospital.

John Alfred Jefferson, 43, of Route 2, Norlina, received multiple cuts about the face and was confined to the hospital.

According to Patrolman Sam Webster, who investigated the accident, Boyd was traveling west and Jefferson was traveling east when the accident occurred. Both cars were in the center of the road as they crested a hill and crashed head on.

Both cars were a total loss, Webster said. He estimated the damage to the Boyd car at \$600 and to the Jefferson car at \$495.

Webster said that both drivers are subject to a charge of driving on the wrong side of the road.

Rev. Tansill To Be Ordained Sunday

The Rev. Charles A. Tansill, who served as a supply minister at St. Paul's Lutheran Church during a vacancy following the resignation of the Rev. M. E. Franke, will be ordained into the full time holy ministry in a special service at St. Paul's Church at Ridgeway on Sunday at 3 p. m.

The Rev. Edwin Fritz of Greensboro will deliver the sermon and liturgy. Pastor Walter Volz of Raleigh will ordain the Rev. Mr. Tansill. The Rev. G. T. Naumann, pastor, will give the lecture. The public is invited to this special service.

Mary and Cindy Allen of Mechanics, N. J. are guests of Miss Elizabeth Allen.

Variety Of Cases Tried In Court

Two charges of giving worthless checks, a larceny charge and an assault on a female were among cases tried in Warren County Recorder's Court in a session in which traffic cases predominated.

Bobby N. Leonard pled guilty in two cases in which he was charged with giving a worthless check. A 60 day road sentence was suspended in each case. The condition of the suspension in the first case was that he pay into the office of the Clerk of Superior Court the sum of \$25 for the use of Warren Auto Parts, and court costs. The conditions in the second case were that he pay into the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court the sum of \$25 for the use of Boyce Drug Company and pay court costs.

The state took a nol pro's with leave in the case of Ada Carter, charged with larceny.

Elijah Shearin, charged with assault on a female, was found not guilty.

Tommy Gene Jones was ordered to pay a \$25 fine and court costs when he pled guilty to (See COURT, page 2)



Miss Gayle Harmon, "Miss Warren County," who will represent the county in the State Jaycee Pageant at Charlotte next week. She is shown at the piano at her home in South Warrenton in a recent photo taken by Duke Jones, staff photographer.

Gayle Harmon To Leave For Pageant

Miss Gayle Harmon, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Harmon of Warrenton, will leave Warrenton next week for Charlotte where she will represent Warren County in the State Jaycee sponsored Pageant from June 10-15.

She was selected "Miss Warren County" at a pageant sponsored by the Warren County Junior Chamber of Commerce last summer.

Miss Harmon will be accompanied to Charlotte by last year's pageant chairman, Clinton Capps, and his wife, Betty Jean.

Since her selection as "Miss Warren County," Gayle has had a busy year entertaining the Jaycees, the Lions Clubs and

various other organizations while pursuing her studies at Chowan College at Murfreesboro, where she has been active in college dramatics.

At Chowan she has played starring roles in "Showboat," a musical production, and in "Charley's Aunt," a comedy production. She is said to be "among the most talented actresses, choreographers, dancers, and singers to perform for the Chowan Players."

Gayle also starred in a Chowan Children's Theatre production which was an extensive tour of staging dramas at schools throughout Northeastern North Carolina and Southeastern Virginia. She was a member of the Delta Psi Omega

drama sorority which enabled her to be a candidate for the annual drama award. She received the Chowan College version of Hollywood's "oscar," and said, "It was just like winning the title of Miss Warren County all over again, a complete shock!"

Gayle's other achievements at Chowan were being a candidate in the Queen of Spring Festival Pageant and being chosen for the girls varsity basketball team, a position she had to refuse because of devoting her time to studies and plays.

She has been offered a position at the Arthur Murray Studio in Raleigh and if she accepts, she will start work in September.

Warren Students Receive Degrees

Nine Warren County candidates received degrees during graduating exercises at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill on Monday. They were:

Alvin C. Blalock, III, of Warrenton, B. S. in Industrial Relations.

James Hudson Burton, III, of Warrenton, Bachelor of Arts.

Elizabeth Anne Massey of Warrenton, A. B. in Education.

Charles Craig White of Warrenton, B.S. in Pharmacy.

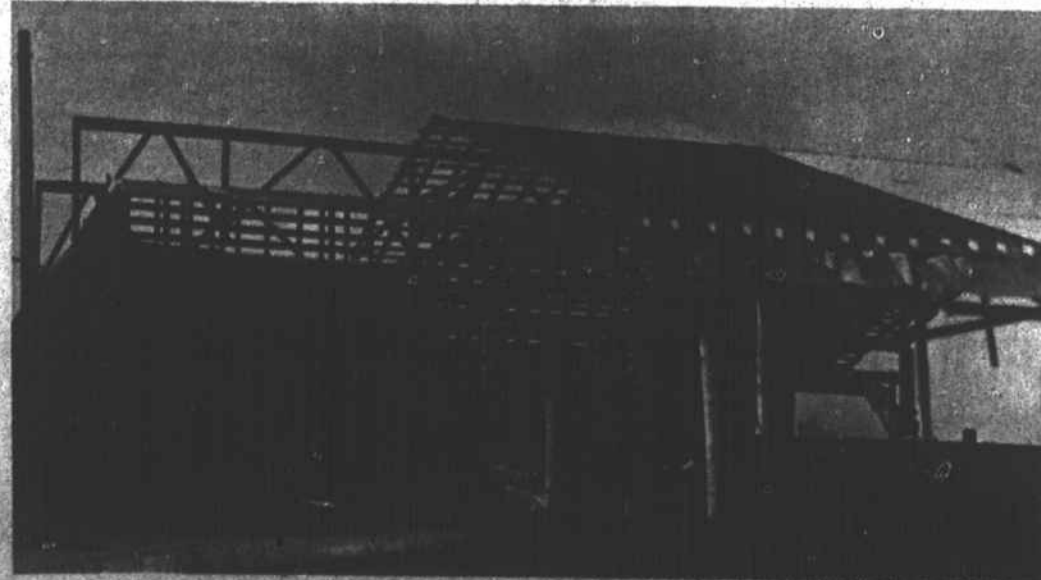
Fred Allen Hicks of Waco, Juris Doctor of Laws.

William Johnson Leach, Jr., of Litleton, Bachelor of Arts.

James Wilton Davis of Route 2, Norlina, M.A. in Teaching.

Howard Reginald Monday of Route 1, Macon, B.S. in Business Administration.

Doris Henry Ward of Warrenton, M. A. in Teaching.



The old exhibit building of the Warren County Fair is shown being torn down in preparation for a replacement by a 60 x 140 foot Butler type metal building. Work on the building is expected to be started within the next two weeks and completed in time for the Fair this fall. The new building will be used for an exhibit building and will have a dining area for club meetings with facilities for preparing meals, and it is understood may be used for other organizations if desired. The building is being erected by the Warrenton Lions Club, sponsors of the Warren County Fair.