

# The Warren Record

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## Seven Fail To Appear In Court

Seven defendants failed to appear in Warren County District Court last Friday to answer to charges.

Thornton Woodard failed to appear in court to answer to a charge of non-support. Capias was issued to Sheriff of Vance County and bond was set at \$500 for his appearance at the May 15 term of court. A subpoena was also issued for the prosecuting witness.

Wilbur George Farnsworth failed to appear in court to answer to a charge of non-support. A capias was issued and bond set at \$600 for his appearance at the May term of court. Nisi Sci fa ordered.

Wallace Neal failed to appear in court to answer to a charge of giving a worthless check. The case was continued until May 8.

Gene Everette King, charged with speeding 65 miles per hour in a 50 mph zone, failed to appear in court to answer to the charge. A capias was issued to the Sheriff of Durham County and bond was set at \$40 for his appearance at the May 29 term of court.

Charlie Carlton Norwood  
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## Beautification Group Organized

A Warren County Beautification Committee was formed by a group of interested citizens here last week at a meeting in the Agricultural Building. Its purpose is to stimulate a clean up, paint up and beautification effort in all sections of the county.

May 18 has been approved as Beautification Week for the County.

The meeting last week was called at the request of Mrs. R. E. Ransom, who was appointed county coordinator several weeks ago by Gov. Bob Scott. Bruce Bell, CADA representative, presided over the meeting.

Chairmen of committees were appointed by the group and have been contacted by Mrs. Ransom. These chairmen are to name their assistants who will organize the beautification program in their neighborhoods. Appointed as chairmen were:

Miss Pollie Williams, Arcola; Mrs. Eugene Wilson, Drewry; Alex Henderson, Embro; the Rev. P. G. Davis, Hecks Grove; E. A. Turner, Inez; Mrs. Dennis Rose and Walter R. Price, Littleton; Bruce Bell, Macon; Ellis Fleming, Manson; W. Leon Knight and Sterling Cheston, Norlina.

Also, Reuben Palmer, Oakville; Sam Powell, Vaughan; M. B. Massengill, A. C. Fair, G. W. Koonce, Miss Emily Ballinger, J. Howard Daniel, Frank W. Reams, Warrenton; and A. W. Ward, Wise.

## Festival Service To Be Held At Ridgeway

The Ascension Day Festival Service will be held tonight (Thursday) at St. Paul's Lutheran Church at Ridgeway, the Rev. G. T. Naumann, pastor, announced yesterday.

The theme of the message will be "Heaven on Earth," and everyone is cordially invited to attend.

## HORSE SHOW POSTPONED

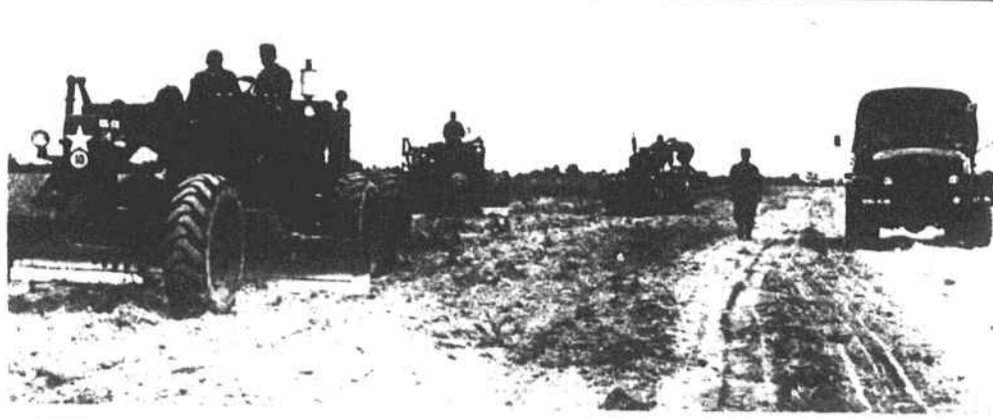
A horse show, scheduled to be held at the Warrenton Recreation Club, Inc., arena on Sunday afternoon, was postponed for two weeks due to rain.

## BAKE SALE

A bake sale will be sponsored by the Warrenton Woman's Club on Friday, May 8, at the AAA Gas Company at 10 a. m. Proceeds will go towards the scholarship fund.

## GUEST SPEAKER

The Rev. J. Stokes, evangelist, will be the guest speaker at Pleasant Hill Baptist Church at Macon on Sunday, May 10, at 11:30 a. m. The public is invited.



With the grading of the Warrenton Air Strip Saturday by Members of the local National Guard Engineering Company, business executives and other persons desiring to visit Warrenton in their own planes will no longer have to land on an air strip on Gaston Lake or at the Roanoke Rapids field. Frank Reams, director of the Warren County Industrial Commission, which is responsible for the building of the air strip here, said that the strip is 100 feet wide and some 2200 feet long and is large enough to accommodate all executive type planes. In the above picture the engineering company is shown grading the strip on the Airport Road. Reams said that the strip will be ready as soon as it dries out following the grading.

## Chamber Of Commerce Meeting

An organizational meeting of the Warrenton Chamber of Commerce will be held tonight (Thursday) at 7:00 o'clock at the Lions Den on the Warrenton Fair Grounds.

A social hour will precede the dinner at 6:30.

All business, professional men and merchants in the Greater Warrenton area of both races are urged to attend the free dinner meeting, to hear a musical program, and entertainment and a talk by Neal Chafin, executive secretary of

the Rocky Mount Chamber of Commerce.

The buffet dinner will be provided by the Citizens Bank, Leggett's Department Store, Will Fowler of Fowler-Barham Ford, B. W. Currin, Jr., of Boyd's Warehouse and Vernon Steed of Warrenton Radio Station WARR.

Bennie Powell, one of the promoters of the chamber, said yesterday that enthusiasm for the chamber here has been very encouraging and that he feels that it is most important that

all persons interested in the promotion of Greater Warrenton be present at the meeting. He said that some 100 to 120 interested persons had signified their interest in a formation of the chamber here. The election of officers here tonight will be under the direction of H. V. Massengill, local manager of Carolina Power and Light Company.

The invocation will be given by Jack Harris and guests will be welcomed by Will Fowler who will also be in charge of entertainment.

## Construction Of Soul City Not Expected To Begin Before 1971, McKissick Says

Soul City in Warren County is still in the planning stage and intensive planning will take another year, Floyd McKissick, its promoter said in a brief interview in Raleigh Monday and reported Tuesday in "Under the Dome" in the News and Observer, which said that McKissick was in Raleigh for an interview with the Governor.

The only buildings on the site, purchased more than a year ago are four trailers and a trailer business office. One of these trailers, located near the old Satterwhite home, has been used for several months by a group of planners, one of whom said several weeks ago

that it would probably be 1971 before actual construction of the city started.

The article in "Under the Dome" reads as follows:

Soul City—The possibility that the Coastal Plains Regional Commission may be asked to lend a hand to Warren County's Soul City project came to light Monday following a meeting in Gov. Bob Scott's office.

With the governor for more than an hour were black civil rights leader Floyd McKissick, two of his associates in the planning of the new town and Dr. Leigh Hammond, N. C. state director of the Coastal Plains Commission.

Met by a reporter in the Capitol corridor following the session, Hammond acknowledged that possible financial assistance for the project from the regional commission was discussed, "along with a lot of other things."

"We are looking at all the alternatives," he said.

Asked whether he was seeking assistance from the Coastal Plains Commission, McKissick said with a chuckle, "We need help from anybody we

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## Randolph Is Speaker At Jr. Club Meeting

John G. Randolph, psychologist with the State of North Carolina Department of Correction, was the guest speaker at a meeting of the Warrenton Junior Woman's Club at the Presbyterian Church last Thursday night.

Mr. Randolph, who has been psychologist for the Department of Correction since July 1968, is currently consultant with the Warrenton Unit of the Department of Correction where some 50 men are receiving treatment for alcoholism.

Presented by Mrs. Gay Lanier, Mr. Randolph talked on problems of the men in the Department of Correction and suggested ways in which the public may help them. He said the average age of the offender is 47 years.

Funds for the unit are limited, he said, and there is no money for furnishing the men personal items such as deodorants, shaving cream and other toilet items. There is also no money for new clothing when the

men are released.

Mr. Randolph said that each man when released needs a sponsor, such as a minister or some other responsible person, to find or give him a job and find a suitable place for him to stay if he does not have a home.

He also suggested that if some civic organization could provide plants and seeds the men could have a garden and help provide some of their food. Some six acres of land is available for this purpose.

Flowers was another project discussed. Mr. Randolph said that if the men had flower buds and plants it would give them something to do with their time, help them with some of their problems, and also beautify the grounds around the detention center.

A question and answer period  
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## Ambulance Training Course To Be Held

A course in Ambulance Training for members of the Warren County Rescue Squad will be held at the Littleton Rescue Squad building beginning on May 12 and continuing for four weeks with classes meeting each Tuesday and Thursday nights from 7 to 10 o'clock.

The course is being sponsored by the Halifax Technical Institute in cooperation with the North Carolina Board of Health, Bill Hudson, director of adult education for the Institute, said yesterday.

The main instructor will be Mrs. Maryland Williams, registered nurse with Roanoke Rapids Hospital.

## League To Be Expanded

The Warrenton Little League will be expanded, Howard Oakley, one of the men active in its promotion, said yesterday.

Oakley said that due to the increased number of boys participating in the program this year it was necessary to form two additional teams for this year in order that all the boys would get an opportunity to play. "It has been the policy of our program," he said, "to see that no boy who wants to play Little League baseball be turned away without being given a chance."

All of the teams being over strength it was necessary to conduct a draft of players for the other two teams, Oakley said. This was conducted Monday night and the two new teams will be known as the "Cougars" and the "Red Sox," and will play in the minor division, giving that division four teams. This makes twelve teams with four in each of the Senior, Regular and Minor divisions.

The boys who were drafted for the new teams will be notified at their next practice session. The Red Sox will practice on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 4 p. m. at the Fair Grounds and the Cougars will practice on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 5 p. m. at the Fair Grounds. The Cougars will be coached by Jim Elam and Al Floyd, Jr., the owner and operator of Blanks Minute Market on the Norlina Road. Blanks has not picked his assistant yet, but he has agreed to sponsor and provide the uniforms for his team. A sponsor for the Cougars is still being sought.

Oakley said the Regular and the Minor divisions expect to open their season play within the next two weeks. He asks that those interested watch the newspapers for the schedule, playing dates and time.

# All Commissioners Swept Out Of Office In Saturday's Vote



BOWERS



EDWARDS



HARRIS

Skies were blue in Warren County all day Saturday as voters went to the polls to cast their votes in the Democratic Primary but on Saturday night as the count was made the skies fell on all five county commissioners as they were swept out of office.

Actually, all five commissioners were not defeated totally for John A. Wilson was second high man in a three-man race, 160 votes behind Clyde R. Edwards, and 546 votes ahead of Henry Myrick, and had the privilege of calling for a second primary.

Wilson said Sunday that he would not call for a second primary. During his campaign he said that if he were second man he would not put the county to the expense of a second primary. Sunday, he said that his decision stood.

Swept out of office with Wilson were Board Chairman Amos L. Capps, Robert P. Thorne, Alfred J. Ellington and Richard R. Davis.

The new commissioners will be Claude T. Bowers, Peete Jones, Herbert C. Harris, Clyde R. Edwards and William T. Skinner.

Leading the county ticket was Claude Bowers, 32 votes ahead of second man William T. Skinner and presumably Bowers will be named chairman when the new board takes office on the first Monday in December. However, Bowers must face John Hawkins, Republican Candidate, in the General Election in November.

In the race for Warrenton Township Constable C. R. Loyd, Jr., defeated Elmer Wells; Loyd receiving 320 votes and Wells 212.

James D. Speed of Franklin County, candidate for re-election to the House of Representatives led the entire ticket, polling 2286 votes to 549 for his opponent, Norwood E. Faulkner, also of Franklin County.

Julian R. Allsbrook, candidate for re-election in the State Senate, was only two votes behind Speed in the unofficial count, as he defeated Jerome "Jerry" Paul 2284 to 618. In the race for the other Senate seat from the 4th Senatorial District Vernon E. White led Marvin Blount, Jr., 1872 to 875.

In the only race on the state ticket, Harry C. Martin led R. H. (Fred) Hedrick 1593 to 1431 for Judge of the Court of Appeals.

The sweep of the commissioners from office for perhaps the first time in the county's history, certainly within the memory of most old men, came as a surprise to the voters, in spite of the fact that many of them had declared that they were working for this result.

In view of the fact that in a previous race Commissioner Capps had easily defeated William T. Skinner to retain his seat, most political forecasters had predicted that Capps would be re-elected. Instead Capps was low man of all the commissioners, carrying only his precinct of Fishing Creek and Roanoke, as Skinner came in second high man only 33 votes behind Claude T. Bowers.

The prognosticators had predicted a close race between incumbent Alfred J. Ellington and Claude T. Bowers, with Bowers being a slight favorite, but the predictions were not borne out by the facts. Bowers defeated Ellington almost two to one, 2065 to 1178, in the unofficial count, with Ellington carrying only Sandy Creek, Neubush and Roanoke and running second from the bottom among the commissioners.

Chairman Amos L. Capps and Commissioner John A. Wilson were elected to the board of County commissioners in 1950 and Capps has been re-elected each two years since that time. Wilson was defeated by Clinton C. Parkinson in 1958 and Parkinson served two terms when Wilson was again elected to the board.

Robert P. Thorne, elected to the board in 1954, has

## Many Dogs Have Not Been Listed

A lot of dogs in Warren County have not been listed for taxation or vaccinated, with less than 50% of the dogs having been both listed and vaccinated, C. J. Fleming, Warren County Dog Warden said this week.

Fleming said that all vaccinations have been checked against listing and all listing against vaccination.

He also pointed out that no one-year vaccination would be given in Warren County after May 1. After that time all vaccinations will be for three years and the cost will be \$4.00. He said that all dogs four months old or older must be covered by rabies vaccination.

Fleming quoted 67-11 "Purchasers to Ascertain Listing," as follows:

"Any person coming in possession of any dog or dogs after listing time shall immediately ascertain whether such dog or dogs have been listed for taxes or not, and if not listed, it is hereby made the duty of such owner or keeper of such dog or dogs to go to the sheriff or tax collector in his county and list such dog or dogs for taxes, and it is made the duty of the owner or keeper of such dog or dogs to pay the privilege of license tax as is herein provided for in other cases."



JONES



SKINNER

## Call Letters Assigned To Local Radio Station

A radio station for Warrenton, under consideration for several months, is expected to be in operation by mid summer.

The Federal Communication Commission in Washington recently announced the assignment of call letters WARR to Radio Voice of Warrenton. The station is owned by Vernon and Frances Steed of Warrenton and James H. Mayes, Jr., of Durham.

Steed said yesterday that ground was broken last week at the studio location, which is near the tower site on the Macon Road, and the building, which is being built in Henderson by Fuqua Indust-

tries, is scheduled to be delivered and set up next week.

He said the 148 foot tower will be erected as soon as permission is received from the FCC on a slight change in antenna location.

An exact on the air date can not be given at this time, Steed said, because after all equipment is installed and checked out an inspection has to be made by the FCC before permission is given by Washington to begin broadcasting. He said a realistic estimate would be approximately 45 to 60 days.

WARR will operate at 1520 on the dial with a day time power of 1000 watts.

## Official Democratic Vote

	SAY	NO	ABSTAIN	TOTAL
STATE SENATE 4TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT - SEAT #1 JULIAN R. ALLSBROOK	304	377	65	2146
JEROME "Jerry" PAUL	71	153	40	664
STATE SENATE 4TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT - SEAT #2 VERNON E. WHITE	216	335	70	1981
MARVIN BLOUNT, JR.	144	78	23	926
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, DISTRICT #1 - SEAT 1 JAMES D. SPEED	293	394	94	2391
NORWOOD E. FAULKNER	86	140	15	661
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, DISTRICT #1 - SEAT 2 JAMES C. "Jimmy" COOPER, JR.	173	171	29	1056
BOBBY V. ROGERS	197	321	62	1798
FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONERS - DISTRICT #1 ALFRED J. ELLINGTON	100	197	46	1172
CLAUDE T. BOWERS	314	371	66	2065
FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONERS - DISTRICT #2 ROBERT P. THORNE	181	274	59	1423
HERBERT C. HARRIS	190	254	54	1659
FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONERS - DISTRICT #3 JOHN A. WILSON	91	107	11	586
CLYDE R. EDWARDS	126	154	47	1178
FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONERS - DISTRICT #4 WILLIAM T. SKINNER	153	251	47	1424
V. PEETE JONES	164	239	55	1678
FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONERS - DISTRICT #5 WILLIAM T. SKINNER	223	298	53	1678
AMOS L. CAPPS	267	367	6	2053
FOR TOWNSHIP CONSTABLES C. J. FLEMING, JR.	121	176	42	1125
BLAKE KELLY	209	300		521
FOR JUDGE OF COURT OF APPEALS R. H. (FRED) HEDRICK	166	206		372
HARRY C. MARTIN	192	216	28	1431