

## Norlina High School Plans Activities For Graduation

Norlina High School will hold its annual baccalaureate service on Sunday night, June 5, at 8 o'clock in the gymnasium. Dr. Roland Willard Perry will give the baccalaureate address.

Dr. Perry, a native of Sanford, received his undergraduate training at Shaw University and was awarded an A. B. degree. He continued his education at Shaw Divinity School and received his Bachelor of Divinity Degree there in 1964. He completed his requirements for the Doctor of Divinity Degree at Friendship College in Rock Hill, S. C. This degree was awarded in 1972.

Dr. Perry is Moderator of the Original Shiloh Baptist Association which consists of 27 churches. He is also director of Vance County Sunday School Training Institute and Pastor of Shiloh Baptist Church in Henderson. Dr. and Mrs. Perry, the former Doris Burnette, are the parents of four children, Teresa, Roland, Dexter and Gregory.

Mary Lou Traylor will give the invocation and Bill Bryant will give the benediction. The Blue Wave Chorus, under the direction of Howard Stultz, will provide the musical selections.

The annual Honors Day Program will be held on Friday, June 10, at 10 o'clock in the gymnasium. Scholarships to be awarded by local civic organizations will be presented at the program.



DR. PERRY



PRUETTE

The graduating exercises will be held on Friday night, June 10, at 8 o'clock. Mr. C. Ray Pruette will deliver the commencement address. Mr. Pruette is professor of

Chemistry and Physics at Louisburg College. Professor Pruette was educated at East Carolina University, Wake Forest University and University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

He has recently been named a fellow at American Institute of Chemists. He is a past District Governor of Lions International and is past President of North Carolina Lions Association for the blind. He is chairman of the Board of Deacons of Franklinton Baptist Church and is chairman of the Franklin County Library Board.

He is listed in: "Who's Who Among Students in American Colleges and Universities," "Outstanding Educators of 1971," "American Men of Science," and "Who's Who in South and Southwest."

Professor Pruette is married to the former Margaret Allen of Youngsville. He is widely known as an orator and is a man of rare wit.

Cindy King will give the invocation and Thomas Bullock will give the benediction. The Blue Wave Chorus will perform.

Principal Clint L. Hege, Superintendent J. R. Peeler, and Chairman of the Board of Education Ernest Turner will present diplomas and certificates to 89 seniors.

In listing the above closing exercises, Mr. Hege issued a cordial invitation to all parents and friends of Norlina High School to attend as many of the programs as possible.



Veteran Thomas Gaskill places flag on grave of soldier in Macon Cemetery following Memorial Services in Courthouse Sunday afternoon.

## Conflict Of Ideals Not In Arena, Pulpit

There is no conflict in the idealism of soldier and minister, the Rev. Dennis Levin, pastor of the Providence United Methodist Church, told an audience

gathered in the Warren County Courthouse on Sunday afternoon in observance of Memorial Day.

Commander Frank Daniel presented Mr. Levin, who is serving his first pastorate after spending several years in civil pursuits. He is minister of Providence United Methodist at Afton-Elberon.

Often other ministers express surprise when they learn that he is an intelligence officer serving with the National Guard and not a chaplain, Mr. Levin said, adding that he was not a veteran but a minister of God seeking to serve both his God and his country.

That there is no conflict here, he said, is revealed in the Biblical story of Christ and the Centurion, which he had read as his text.

The soldiers whom we are gathered here to honor on this occasion, the minister said, were dedicated men who were willing to lay down their lives in defense of their country and service to their fellowman. In the army, he continued, the soldiers were taught to give orders and to follow orders. They were soon to learn that in service to one's country there could be no difference in race or creeds but one force united in love and dedication for one's country.

There is no greater service than service to the Kingdom of God where the ability to give and to take orders must be learned and the devotion to others above self must be a guiding motive just as it is in the life of a good soldier, Mr. Levin concluded.

Commander Daniel presided over the meeting and gave the introductory remarks. The invocation was given by Chaplain "Bill" Connell of Limer Post No. 25. Miss Sadie Limer recognized the three Gold Star mothers present for the occasion.

The UDC was represented by Mrs. Helen Rodgers Fleming, President, who spoke briefly. Commander Stephen Daniel, Andrew Hundley Post No. 260, gave a few remarks concerning the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Commander Frank Daniel expressed his regret that the Moses Davis Post of the American Legion was not represented at the Memorial Day Observance for the first time in many years. He said that it was due to some

## In Warren County Superior Court

# Davis, Hampton Facing Trial Here

Two men charged with killing a Warren County man and dumping his body into Lake Gaston earlier this year are scheduled to face trial next week during the June Criminal Term of Warren County Superior Court.

The two, Joe Edward Hampton, Jr., and McLean Davis, have been held in Warren County Jail since being charged with murder in the death of Cleveland Alonzo Wilson, 28, of Warrenton. Wilson's body was found in Lake Gaston on February 27 after a massive search by 31 rescue squads from North Carolina and southside Virginia.

Sheriff's deputies accused Davis, 19, and Hampton, 20, with beating Wilson to death with an automobile jack and robbing him before disposing of the body. The killing occurred on January 22.

Both men face charges of murder, larceny of an automobile and larceny from the person. Additionally, Davis faces a charge of issuing a forged check, larceny and two counts of breaking, entering and larceny.

A full caseload awaits Judge Harry E. Canady of Johnson County when court is convened at 10 a. m. Monday. District Attorney Charles M. White of Warrenton is expected to call 111 cases during the week. Among other cases scheduled for trial are the following:

Probation violations include Ernest Davis, larceny after breaking and entering; Will Edward Neal, assault with deadly weapon with intent to kill inflicting serious injury; John Baker, two charges of breaking and entering and larceny; Tony Washington, assault with deadly weapon inflicting serious injury and assault with deadly weapon; Lawrence Cleo Baskerville, driving under influence; Michael Aycock, breaking into vending machine, two charges; and Sandy Yancey, assault with deadly weapon with intent to kill inflicting serious injury.

Cases docketed for grand jury action include Esther P. Stutson, possession of stolen vehicle; Morocco Stutson, possession of stolen vehicle; James Alston, breaking and entering, larceny and receiving;

Conrad Solomon, breaking and entering, larceny and receiving; Jim Watson Lynch, receiving; Willie Lee Richardson, breaking and entering, larceny and receiving; William Richardson, Jr., breaking and entering, larceny and receiving and James Edward Williams, Jr., breaking and entering, larceny.

Also, Eddie Williams, receiving; Wayne Richardson, receiving; Vincent McKinley White, breaking and entering, larceny, two charges; David Watson, breaking and entering, larceny, two charges; Ronnie Edward Talley, breaking, entering, larceny, two charges; James R. Pulley, charges; James R. Pulley, charges; James R. Pulley, charges.

## Bodies Recovered

# Two Lives Lost On Lake Gaston

A four-year-old Raleigh child was drowned in the Warren County section of Gaston Lake at 2:30 p. m. Saturday.

Evans Chapman, the child, was playing at Viverette Timber Lodge when he was missed by his parents, according to Deputy Dorsey Capps, investigating officer. He reported that the boy's father, Harold Chapman, was working on a porch at their mobile home and the child's mother, Mrs. Fais Chapman, was sunbathing on the roof of a nearby boathouse while the children played. The little boy played between the water's edge and the cabin, running back and forth between the two points. After he had been playing for about an hour he was missed by his parents, the deputy said. Evans six-

year-old brother then told his parents that he had seen his brother fall in the water but had not reported it.

The Warren County Rescue Squad was summoned and found the body in about four feet of water at 3:20.

The drowning of the Chapman child was the second such case to be reported at Gaston Lake on Saturday afternoon, the other was in Halifax County.

Randy Harris, 11, of Gaston drowned at 4:30 p. m. Saturday when he fell off a raft in the lake. Harris could not swim, according to members of a church group he was with at the time. His body was pulled from the water by the Roanoke Valley Rescue Squad, and he was pronounced dead on arrival at Halifax Memorial Hospital in Roanoke Rapids.

## Convict Takes Leave Of Local Prison Compound

Another inmate at the Warren County Department of Correction has escaped and remains at large, according to prison officials.

A unit spokesman reported that William R. Hay, an honor grade prisoner assigned to the ballfield on maintenance duty, scaled the fence surrounding the ballfield on Saturday about 1:45 p. m.

He was serving a three-year sentence for breaking and entering and a previous escape.

Officials listed Hay as a white male, 20 years old, weighing about 170 pounds, 5' 11", with brown hair. He has the letters "SC" tattooed on his left arm.

This is the sixth escape at the prison unit this year. Two in addition to Hay remain at large. The other three escapees were apprehended within a few days.

Prison sources revealed that this escape record is still lower than that of surrounding counties.

## Study Of Black 'Roots' Set Here

A black Duke University doctoral candidate will be able to complete a historical study of black families in two North Carolina counties with the aid of a \$6,500 grant awarded this week by the N. C. Department of Cultural Resources.

Marsha J. Darling will use the grant to examine what she calls the "kin network" of blacks in Warren and Halifax counties and how it affected the residents' history, civic involvement, education, migration patterns and integration.

Although she will make use of available texts and statistical information, the bulk of her work will be a series of oral interviews with residents of the two counties, where she plans to live and work in various communities to meet people of as many ages and social groups as possible.

She recently completed a similar series of interviews in Mississippi as part of her graduate work in Duke's Oral History Program. She plans to compare the kin networks in the two

states for her doctoral dissertation.

The Cultural Resources grant, however, is only for the North Carolina portion of her work, and the agreement specifies that all data she gathers in Warren and Halifax will be given to the State Archives when she completes her work.

She chose those two counties, she said, for two reasons: a high percentage of blacks in their population and a little-known but rich cultural heritage. Warren, for example, produced several black leaders during Reconstruction, and as late as 1910 the county had a black sheriff and a black register of deeds.

A graduate of Vassar College where she was president of the student government association, Miss Darling has previously received Rockefeller Foundation Fellowships and Ford Foundation Scholarships. She is a former vice-chairperson of the President's National Advisory Council on Women's Educational Programs. She lives in Durham.

## Warrenton Rural Firemen Answer Two Calls

The Warrenton Rural Volunteer Fire Department responded to two fire calls during the past week.

Last Thursday at 4:10 p. m. the local company dispatched one truck and seven men to Charlie

Hilliard's place on Route 1, Macon, where a one-half ton truck was on fire.

The truck was a total loss. No cause for the fire was reported.

A fire call turned in Saturday at 5:30 p. m. proved to have been a false alarm.

## Budget Requests To Be Considered

Warren County Manager Charles Hayes will make his budget recommendations to the Warren County Board of Commissioners at their regular meeting here next Monday morning.

Hayes said yesterday that the Warren County Planning Board would discuss zoning regulation suggestions at the Monday meeting. In addition to these items and a number of routine reports, he said a number of delegations had asked to appear before the board to discuss various road matters.



The top ten juniors at John Graham High School were chosen to serve as marshals at the commencement exercises to be held on June 10. Chosen to serve were (left to right) front row, Shirley Hudgins, Sheryl Aycock, chief marshal; and Sandra Groom. Second row, Patricia Richardson, Mary Helen Rooker and Gale Murray. Top row, Jason Young, Lisa Bobbitt, Michael Ross and Melissa Exum. [Staff Photo]



Little cross being hammered in ground on courthouse square to honor veterans.