

## January Jury List Is Drawn

A list of jurors for the mixed term of Warren County Superior Court which convenes here on January 28 was released Monday by the office of the Clerk of Superior Court.

Jury excuses will be held in Warren County District Court on Friday, January 25, at 9:30 a. m. for the term of Warren County Superior Court beginning the week of January 28.

The list of jurors follows: Andrew Jackson Hundley, Frances F. Dare, Charles W. Robinson, Ruby N. Overby, Delia Peoples Stegall, Willie Bullock, Eugene S. Spragins, James Weldon Isreal, Laura Melissa Burroughs, William T. Burchette, Carl Wallace Spragins, Fleming Bobbitt Rodwell, Ester Bullock, Sarah W. Salmon, Cora Lee Neal, Mabel H. Riggan, Lue Ethel Durham, Elizabeth Moody Smiley, Pamela Quick Draffin, Mary Bender Brauer, Ann Hogg.

Also, Shirley Ann Williams, Carolyn Deloris Davis, Nell D. Stegall, James S. Wilson, Gracie Lee Munn, Carol F. Limer, Barbara A. Southerland, James Artis Richardson, George W. Koonce, Lois B. Jefferson, David Wayne Wilson, Wilbert Alston, Jr., Paula K. Shearin, Ruth A. Bugg, David J. Scott, Bonnie P. Short, Anne Henderson, Arthur L. Solomon, Willie Norman Cooper, Mrs. Bruce Wells McGowan, Lloyd C. Salmon, Susan Lee Holtzman.

Also, James Peoples, Jennie D. Coley, Bernard

## Man Is Wounded In Pistol Play

Douglas Jones, 72, of Rt. 2, Macon, was taken to Warren General Hospital Sunday afternoon from where he was taken to Duke Medical Center, suffering from a self-inflicted wound while playing with a pistol around 5 p. m. Sunday. He is reported to be recovering.

According to information obtained at the Sheriff's office on Monday, the bullet entered the skull through the right ear and came out of the top of the skull on the right hand side.

Jones is said to have been playing Russian Roulette at the time of the accident.



Board of Education Chairman Leigh Traylor presents Mrs. Jim Beckwith with an engraved plaque in recognition of her 14 years of service. Other retirees—each with 18 years of service—shown above are Clinton Neal and Marcus McGrier (right). Witnessing the presentation of plaques is Dr. L. B. Henderson, seated. (Staff Photo)

## No Successor Is Named By Board Of Education

The Warren County Board of Education Friday night failed to appoint a successor to the late Ernest Turner, delaying until next month any possible action to fill the post.

Turner, 53, was serving as board chairman at his death on January 3. Despite considerable pressure from the number of speakers who urged the board to immediately name a successor to Turner, the board was unable to agree on what action should be taken.

The name of Yarborough Williams was put into nomination by Dr. L. B. Henderson after several speakers including George Shearin, Floyd McKissick, Jr., Attorney T. T. Clayton and Henry Hayes suggested that Williams had strong support in the black community. Williams is a resident of the same Sandy Creek, Fork and Shocco district that Turner represented. Henderson's motion failed to draw a second, and action was delayed.

In a related move, the board named vice chairman Leigh Traylor to fill Turner's seat as chairman, with Dr. Henderson being named vice-chairman. Hank Bobbitt was chosen to serve as president-elect of District Six of the North Carolina School Boards Association, a post Turner had been selected to assume.

The board unanimously adopted a resolution of respect for Mr. Turner, agreeing that it should be made a part of the permanent records of the Board of Education.

Board members were told by Superintendent Mike Williams that bids for the final stage of construction of the new consolidated high

## Superior Court Term To Begin

Judge Robert L. Farmer of Raleigh will conduct a mixed term of Warren County Superior Court next week. The term will begin Monday morning and is expected to consume most of the week.

More than 100 cases are scheduled for trial, and additionally 12 estate and special proceeding cases are on the calendar for disposition at this term.

Among the cases scheduled to be heard are the following:

Neal Leslie Jones, armed robbery; Ronald L. Smith, driving under the influence of intoxicants; Joseph Champion, four counts of breaking and entering and larceny and four counts of misdemeanor larceny; Henry C. Currin, Jr., breaking and entering and

school are expected to be completed this month. Bids will be opened on Feb. 22, it was noted.

The board approved a recommendation by Superintendent Williams that the N. C. Division of School Planning be asked to help make plans for existing buildings after the new school is occupied in the fall of 1981.

larceny and four counts of misdemeanor larceny and one case of larceny.

Also, John Hargrove, driving under the influence of intoxicants; Doris Crossin, assault with a deadly weapon with intent to kill inflicting serious injury; Garnet Rodwell Alston, driving under the influence of intoxicants and failure to drive on right half of highway; Alton Allen Burwell, third offense of driving under the influence of intoxicants; Kenneth Ray Hill, false pretense; Albert Sink, false pretense.

Also, Thomas Nelson Davis, larceny of an auto; Charles Linwood Boyd, armed robbery; Robert Lee Hardy, larceny; Freddie W. Corpening, felonious possession of amphetamines with intent to sell; James L. Kelly, felonious possession of marijuana; Eddie D. Clark, speeding 69 in 55 mph zone, resisting officer; Randy Williams, speeding 97 in 55 mph zone, careless and reckless driving; Arthur Dannie Lucas, speeding 97 in 55 mph zone, careless and reckless driving.

Also, Isaac Mayne Marks, Jr., bastardy; Plummer Reid, assault with a deadly weapon with intent to kill inflicting serious injury; Leonard Reade Powell, second offense of driving under the influence of intoxicants; Willie Branch, two counts of driving under the influence of intoxicants, improper registration, driving while license revoked; Andrew Faulkner, Jr., speeding 70 in 55 mph zone.

Also, Grace Clayton, embezzlement; Anthony Ellis Meeks, breaking and entering and larceny; Patricia Alston, breaking and entering and larceny, larceny and (Continued on page 10)

## Warren Receives Share Of State Road Bond Money

The North Carolina Board of Transportation allocated \$10 million from funds authorized by the State Highway Bond Act of 1977 for improvements to the state's large secondary road system at its January meeting.

Warren County's share of the \$10 million allocation is \$109,438, based on a formula established by the state legislature. According to the formula, each county receives a percentage of the total funds available, determined by the unpaved miles of secondary roads in the county in relationship to the total mileage of unpaved secondary roads in the state.

Warren County has 215.3 miles of unpaved roads, while the total mileage of unpaved state maintained secondary roads in North Carolina is 20,000.

Secretary of Transportation Tom Bradshaw commented, "Again, we are glad to be able to put the highway bond funds to work for the citizens of North Carolina. It was the citizens' overwhelming support of the 1977 bond issue that made these funds a reality.

"These additional bond funds for the secondary road system — our 'home-to-work' transportation network — together with our regular secondary construction and maintenance funds will allow us to make vitally needed improvement to the more than 59,000 miles which comprise the nation's largest state-maintained secondary highway system," he added.

The \$300 million highway bond act, approved in November 1977, directs that \$75 million will be used to improve the state's secondary road system, while \$175 million is for improvements to the primary system and \$50 million is for the state's urban road system.

The highway bond funds allocated for secondary roads will be used for improvements to the system such as new paving, widening existing paved roads, improving unpaved roadways to an "all weather standard," repairing and replacing substandard bridges and strengthening paved roads to relieve present weight restrictions.

"During the Hunt administration, more than \$129 million to date has been allocated by the Board of Transportation to improve North Carolina's secondary road system," according to Bradshaw.

"In order to utilize the \$10 million allocation most effectively," Secretary Bradshaw explained, "Our board members and division engineers are in the process of reviewing secondary road needs in each county. As county-by-county improvements programs are compiled, they will be presented to each respective county board of commissioners.

"Public meetings will be held in each county to give citizens an opportunity to express their views on secondary road needs. The commissioners then will review and forward recommendations to the Board of Transportation for implementation by state forces."

In February 1978 the transportation board approved an initial allocation

of \$30 million from the bond issue for secondary road improvements. An additional \$15 million in bond funds was approved in January 1979 for improvements to the system.

Warren County received

\$318,077 in bond funds in 1978 and \$161,678 in 1979. Total bond funds, including today's allocation, amount to \$589,193 for the county.

In 1978 North Carolina counties received \$53 million in bond funds and

legislative appropriations. In 1979 they received more than \$39 million from both sources. The department anticipates the legislature will make an additional appropriation of \$24 million in July of 1980.



Raymond Eller, left, conducts a team of young Japanese farmers through his mums gardens at Norlina. The flower production operation was the first of three stops in Warren County for the foreign visitors.

## Japanese Delegation Visits Stops In Warren County

A Japanese farm management team made Warren County its first stop in a tour of North Carolina which got under way on Tuesday.

The team, comprised of six young Japanese farmers and an interpreter, were brought to Warren County shortly after arrival at

Raleigh-Durham Airport. They are scheduled to spend three weeks in this country.

In Warren County the group visited Eller's Mum Gardens in Norlina and then were taken on tours of beef cattle farms operated by William Brauer and Connie Powell.

County Extension Agent L. C. Cooper said the group appeared to be much interested in activities at each of their stops here.

Their visit here was a cooperative effort between the United States Department of Agriculture and private industry.

## Bender Recognized For Soybean Yield

By RUSSELL C. KING  
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William E. Bender, a Warren County native was honored in Raleigh, on Friday, Jan. 18 for his excellence in soybean production.

Bender was recognized as the top soybean producer in the Northern Piedmont area of North Carolina. This area consists of 22 counties located in the piedmont of North Carolina. Bender's yield was measured at 54.82 bushels per acre.

The purposes of the North Carolina Soybean Production contest are to emphasize those practices associated with efficient and profitable soybean production, to recognize those

## Hospital Patients

Patients in Warren General Hospital on Tuesday afternoon were listed as follows:

Malvina Brown, Eva Lanier, William Smiley, Jeanette Bullock, Mildred Mason, Lucy Handoe, Rehtea Boone, Bessie Paschall, Eva Egerton, Frank Williams, James Robinson, Mary B. Alston, Annie Short, Jennie Hundley, Atha Howell, Grady Salmon, Martha Page, Macco Harper, Warren Overby, Reatrice Richardson, Haywood Evans, Donald Pitchford, Margaret Holtzman, Annie Hardy, William Evans, Zenie Henly.

## Slate Of Officers To Be Installed

A slate of new officers for 1980 is scheduled to take office later this month as the Warren County Chamber of Commerce holds its annual business meeting.

Nominated for chamber posts are Bradley Carroll, president; Carroll Harris, first vice president; Butch Meek, second vice president; Charles Hayes, third vice president; Maybell Huber, secretary; and J. T. Fleming, treasurer and executive director. Directors expected to be installed are McCarroll Alston, Mrs. Helen Read.

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## Task Force Wants Participation

Increased public participation in a special task force organized to help prevent juvenile delinquency is being urged here.

Spokesman Dennis Retzlaff said the Warren County Task Force for the Prevention of Juvenile Delinquency is attempting to get more public input. The task force normally meets at 1:30 p. m. on the third Monday of each month in the meeting room of the public school administration building.

Retzlaff said the next meeting will be held on Monday, January 28, and interested citizens are urged to attend.

"Juvenile delinquency, like many problems, seems

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Recently elected officers of Johnston-Caswell Lodge No. 10 in Warrenton are shown during an installation ceremony. They are (left to right) front row, Pete Vaughan, senior warden; Robert Carroll, master; Theodore Smiley, junior warden; and Ervin Manning, secretary. On second row are Jack Harris, treasurer; Travis Pulley, junior deacon; Eddie Clayton, senior deacon; and Kenneth Copley, tyler. On third row are Al Fleming, steward; Anton Reid, chaplin. J. Boyd Fleming, steward, is not shown. The lodge is one of the oldest Masonic lodges in the state and nation, with records dating back slightly over 200 years.



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