

Two Feared Drowned Search Efforts Continue At Lake

ROANOKE RAPIDS - Search efforts for two men feared to have drowned Friday in the choppy waters at Lake Gaston Dam while on an Easter holiday outing were continued this week.

Kenneth Harris, 48, of 615 Cleveland St. here and his nephew, G. C. Robinson, Jr., 33, of Richmond, Va., were presumed drowned after they failed to return from a fishing trip Friday afternoon.

As high winds whipped the water near the Wildlife Landing at the Thelma dam site Saturday rescue squads from the Roanoke Valley and Warren County units were forced to curtail the search, hoping for calmer water.

According to family members assembled at lakeside, the two had begun their fishing expedition between 4 and 6 p. m. Friday and when they did not return at the expected time, Robinson's father, G. C. Robinson, Sr., of Macon went to the landing. The father found the truck in the parking area but the fishermen "never came in."

The Roanoke Valley Rescue Squad was summoned shortly after midnight. The wooden Carolina fishing boat was found about 3:45 a. m. Saturday near the dam structure. It had capsized and the motor was still in gear, according to those at the scene. No life preservers or fishing equipment was found.

Safe Is Wrecked By Intruders Here

One safe was totally wrecked and another badly damaged in twin break-ins here on Saturday night.

Smith-Douglass Fertilizer plant in North Warrenton was broken into by thieves on Saturday night who forced a door on the north side of the building and walked down the building to the office where they drilled holes in the safe and removed cash and checks therein. The safe was totally wrecked in the process.

The theft was discovered about 12:30 p. m. Sunday by Thomas Gaskill, an employee of the company. He said yesterday that he was unable at this time to report the amount of funds taken.

The theft was investigated by Deputy Sheriff Lloyd Newsom, SBI Agent Jim Walker and Sheriff Clarence Davis. The investigation is continuing.

The efforts of the two thieves who entered Bowers (Continued on page 6)



CYNTHIA KING

Warren 4-H'er Is Recipient Of State Award

Cynthia King, 15, of the Wise-Paschall 4-H Club, has been judged state winner in "Exploring the World of Plants and Soils" projects.

Cynthia, a 4-H member for six years, lives on a tobacco farm in the Zion Community and is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. King, Jr.

The statewide honor won by Cynthia is one of 45 state winner announcements recently made by the State 4-H Office. Cynthia will receive an all-expense-paid week-long trip to National 4-H Congress held in November in Chicago, Ill. Donor and sponsor of Cynthia's award is the North Carolina 4-H Development Fund, Inc.

Cynthia's 4-H accomplishments include major projects and activities in flower arrangements, type soils for different plants, soil preparations, the steps of propagation, different characteristics of plants, building terrariums and growing house plants.

Previous honors and recognitions won by Cynthia include being District Demonstration Winner in "Exploring the World of Plants and Soils" in 1977 and 1978. Also, she was District Cumulative Record project winner for three consecutive years: 1978, 1979 and 1980. In 1979, she also received State and National Recognition in the National 4-H Poster Art Program with her winning poster being displayed at the 57th National 4-H Congress in Chicago.

Cynthia's 4-H leadership experiences include planning of field trips, nature trails, giving talks on different aspects of plants and (Continued on page 6)

Fayetteville Firm Has Low Equipment Bid

A contract for kitchen equipment for Warren County's new consolidated high school will be awarded to a Fayetteville firm.

That was agreed here Tuesday in a special session of the Warren County Board of Education. The board voted to award the contract to Thompson and Little of Fayetteville in the amount of \$64,991.

The amount of the awarded contract is to be based on a base bid of \$101,245 less \$36,254 for unit price items.

It was the feeling of the board that the deleted unit price items could be either purchased with food service equipment funds or moved from existing cafeterias when schools are reorganized in the fall of 1981.

Other bidders for food service equipment were Food Equipment Contract Company of Raleigh with a bid of \$114,000 and Restaurant Equipment Mfg. Co., Inc. of Douglasville, Ga., with a bid of \$126,263.

Shaw Is Named To Unexpired Term On Board

W. R. Shaw has been named to the Macon Town Board to replace Mrs. Marie G. Wilson, who resigned following her appointment as postmistress at the Wise Post Office. Mrs. Wilson had served on the board since 1977.

The naming of Shaw to fill her unexpired term came last week during a regular meeting of the town board. Mayor W. L. Reid presided.

Board members were told that the Beautification Committee is making plans to continue the mini park project right away. So far, members learned, a rail fence has been constructed and shrubs have been planted along the railroad.

After a lengthy discussion on new town ordinances being drawn up, the meeting was adjourned.

Agencies Join Forces To Provide Transportation

Two Warren County agencies have joined forces to help end some of the transportation problems affecting Warren citizens.

The Coordinating Council for Senior Citizens of Warren County and Frank-



MULCHI

Warren Native Receives Honor For Work In 4-H

Dr. Charles Lee Mulchi, a former Warren County resident, has been selected as one of the state's two outstanding 4-H alumni for 1980.

The announcement was made by Dr. Donald Stormer, state 4-H leader at North Carolina State University.

The other winner is Sen. Ralph Scott of Haw River.

Stormer said the selections were based on community leadership, public service, service to the 4-H program, and evidence of success in their professions.

Dr. Mulchi, who now lives in New Carrollton, Md., is an associate professor of agronomy at the University of Maryland. He was on the N. C. State University faculty as research assistant from 1964-66 and as an instructor in soil-plant relations and biochemistry from 1966-70.

Dr. Mulchi has continued his interest in and support of 4-H work by speaking to rural groups, giving tours of the University of Maryland campus to youth groups, and serving on the Maryland State Fair Exhibits Committee.

As a former Warren County 4-H member for 12 years, Dr. Mulchi completed projects in tobacco, corn, swine, poultry, tractor, soil and water conservation, and health.

He received a plaque from the N. C. State University Collegiate 4-H Club.

Dr. Mulchi is the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Mulchi of Rt. 1, Norlina.

Lake Gaston Land Use Switch Wins Board Approval

A Public Hearing was held in the Warren County Court House on Tuesday morning at 9 o'clock by the County Commissioners to determine whether an acre of land on Gaston Lake should be re-classified from Residential to Neighborhood Business, as recommended by the Warren County Planning Board.

Present at the hearing were the Commissioners, members of the Warren County Planning Board, and Mr. and Mrs. Alvis Fleming, owners of the property.

Upon recommendation of the Planning Board the Commissioners ordered that the property should be re-classified as Neighborhood Business.

County Board Meets

Road Is Renamed For Former Black Leader

Meeting here on Tuesday, due to the Easter Monday holiday, the Board of County Commissioners adopted a resolution approving the naming of SR 1628 from Highway 58 to the Turner homeplace as "The Ernest Turner Highway," in honor of the late Ernest Turner, Negro leader, businessman and Chairman of the Warren County Board of Education.

The request for the special highway was made to the board by Ms. Jennifer Nash, who eulogized the life of Turner and presented to the board a letter numbering several of his accomplishments.

Copies of this letter and the Board's Resolution will be forwarded to the State Department of Transportation requesting that the state agency take appropriate action.

Allen Hawks appeared before the commissioners, explained the work of the Council on Aging, and asked the county's support of the project. The project is sustained in part by federal and state funds, but also needs county support. Hawks said that the Council has a \$55,842 budget for the year beginning on Oct. 1, and that to meet it the Council would need a contribution of \$5,000 from the county. Without this help from the county, Hawks said he did not know how the Council could make it.

Chairman Jack Harris said that the board would consider the request when it prepared its 1980-81 budget.

Manager Newsome reported that the CETA program in Warren County would be continued through June 30 and that there are now 33 CETA workers in the county. In the discussion that followed his remarks the commissioners were in agreement that much of the program is worthwhile and saves the county money, but they were also in agreement in feeling that part of the project was just money wasted.

Newsome also announced that the one cent sales tax in Warren County during the month of February totalled \$17,105.29, and said that the semi-annual Franklin-Vance-Warren Opportunities, Inc., had been filed.

The agenda showed that June Perkinson and Bill Martin were to appear before the commissioners to discuss trapping, but it was Clarence Thompson who made the presentation. He told the commissioners that the skyrocketing rise in the price of furs resulted in many outside-the-county trappers working their trade in Warren County to the detriment of deer and fox hunters. Recognizing the need for some trapping in the county, Thompson presented for the commissioners consideration two maps dividing the county. He said fox hunters wanted that part of the county divided by the railroad and extending southeast containing many trees and creeks, to be reserved for trapping, and the remaining sections of the county, containing open field, be reserved for fox and other type hunting. One of the reasons for this request, he said, is to protect valuable hunting

dogs, many of which are caught in the traps of those engaged in trapping.

Chairman Harris told Thompson that the board could not take any action until the proposal had been examined by the County Attorney to determine its legality and the steps that the county should take. The commissioners tabled action until its May meeting.

A parcel of land inherited and owned by Curtis Overby is locked in by the Warrenton Airport and Overby has requested that commissioners give him an easement across one acre on the edge of the Air Field. It was suggested that the

request might be granted provided Overby agreed to place a barrier between the proposed road and the airfield and maintain both barrier and road, but a discussion among the commissioners nullified this suggested plan. The commissioners said they did not wish to work any hardship upon Overby but thought the county would be better served if Overby could obtain a right-of-way from one of his neighbors whose property joins the airfield. They voted to table consideration of the matter until the May meeting of the Board in order that further time for study might be available.

For School Children

Beginner's Day Is Set Locally

Beginner's Day will be held next week in Warren County schools, Priscilla Johnson, director of Pupil Personnel Services, announced this week.

Ms. Johnson said that all students, both in kindergarten and first grade, will be registered next week as follows: Monday, April 14, South Warren, 9:00 a. m.-12:00 p. m.; Tuesday, April 15, Mariam Boyd, 9:30 -11:30 a. m.; Wednesday, April 16, Northside, 9:00 a. m. - 12:00 p. m. and 2:30 p. m. - 4:00 p. m.; Thursday, April 17, Vaughan 9:00 a. m. - 12:00 p. m.

It is not necessary for the parent or guardian to bring the students for the registration process. The school nurse will be on duty to check on immunizations.

Ms. Johnson asks that those registering students be sure to bring a birth certificate and records of shots, including dates. No child, she said, who is in kindergarten this year needs to be registered

again. This applies only to new kindergarten students and those entering school for the first time in the first grade.

North Carolina law requires that every child must have three doses of DTP, three doses of oral polio vaccine, red measles vaccine and rubella vaccine. Ms. Johnson said, "Children not meeting this requirement will not be permitted to enter school this fall."

The required shots can be received at the Warren County Health Department without charge on any Tuesday between 8:30 and 4:30, or from one's private doctor.

Persons, who for any reason, cannot come to the school at the scheduled time are asked to come as soon as possible.



OVERBY

Overby Is Named To Campaign Post

Governor Jim Hunt has named C. Brantley Overby of Warrenton to head his grassroots campaign effort in Warren County. Mr. Overby will be the "Friends of Jim Hunt" chairman, which is the grassroots-level organization in the campaign.

"There is room for everybody in this campaign, and I want everybody to know that we want their support," Gov. Hunt said. "Brantley knows how important this neighborhood-level support is, and that's why I'm so glad he is helping us in Warren County."



WILLIAM BOYCE

Services Are Held For William Boyce

Funeral services for William Boyce, 84, retired president of Boyd-Boyce Motor Company, who died at Warren General Hospital on Saturday were conducted at 3 p. m. Monday from Emmanuel Episcopal Church by the rector, the Rev. Phillip Craig. Burial was in Fairview Cemetery.

The son of Elizabeth Ballard Spruill and James Barrow Boyce, Mr. Boyce was born in Northampton County. He came to Warrenton in 1919. In 1921 he married the former Estelle Mitchell of Littleton. He was a member of Emmanuel Episcopal Church, a Mason,

a former town commissioner, and a charter member of the Warrenton Lions Club. He established a local reputation as a gardener, and friends will remember him for the beautiful flowers he grew and shared.

Mr. Boyce is survived by his wife, Mrs. Estelle Mitchell Boyce; a daughter, Mrs. Fred Cheek of Kinston; and two grandchildren, William Boyce Cheek and Mary Bryan Cheek.

Active pallbearers were Danford Cutchins, Wilton Browning, Dr. Dave Taylor, III, Tom Arrington, Jr., Spencer Scott, and Richard Hunter.