

Newly elected officers of the Warrenton Lioness Club and Lions Club officials are shown above during an installation banquet held here on Monday night. Seated, from left to right, are Pett Daniel, historian; Katie Davis, secretary; Alice Marie Robertson, president; Dorothy Roberts, vice president; and Carolyn Robertson, Lioness tamer. Standing, left to right, are Owen Robertson, president of the Warrenton Lions Club; Anne Gaskill, director; Dr. Eugene V. Grace, Lions district governor; Shirley Hawks, director; and Audrey Bolton, director. Not present were Blanche Andrews, tail twister; and Mary

# Lioness Club Has Charter Night

The Warrenton Lioness Club, a female offspring of the Warrenton Lions Club, officially got into business here Monday night during a charter night banquet held at the Warrenton Lions Club.

The club - 34 members strong - is the first Lioness Club to be organized in Lion District 31-G this year. Its formation also

Warren County

Board of Commissioners

will hold a public hearing

on the county budget at the

court house at 8:30 p. m. on

next Wednesday, June 24.

Walter J. Harris, chair-

man of the Warren County

Board of Commissioners,

said in a paid advertise-

ment in this newspaper

that the public is encour-

aged to attend this hearing

and may offer written or

Harris has also advertis-

ed that the commissioners

oral comments.

gave Warrenton the distinction of having the only Lions Club with auxiliary units for both wives and children (the Warrenton Leo Club.)

Dr. Eugene V. Grace of Durham, governor of District 31-G, served as charter night speaker and handled the installation of

Newly installed officers

would hold a public

hearing on the Revenue

Sharing Budget at 8 p. m.

on the same night. The

public is encouraged to

of the Warrenton Lioness Club are Alice Marie president: Robertson, Dorothy Roberts, vice president; Katie Davis, secretary; Mary King, treasurer; Pett Daniel, historian; Blanche Andrews, tail twister; and Carolyn Robertson, Lioness tamer. Directors are Anne Gaskill, Audrey Bolton and Shirley Hawks.

Alice Marie Robertson presided over the night's festivities. The pledge of allegiance was led by Pett Daniel and the blessing was given by Dorothy Roberts. After a banquet featuring country ham, Owen Robertson, president of the Warrenton Lions Club, introduced the featured speaker.

After remarks by Dr.

Vance County tentative

Grace, Mr. and Mrs. Robertson and the speaker handed out certificates and membership kits to the new members. Lion husbands and dates were guests of the club and assisted in pinning the new label pins on the charter

Charter members of the Warrenton Lioness Club

Blanche Andrews, Lois Ayscue, Audrey Bolton, Margaret Ann Brame, Belle Bright, Lou Bryson, Betty Jean Capps, Mary Donna Clary, Mildred Cliborne, Pett Daniel, Katy Davis and Ida M. Davis.

Also, Mary Alice Fleming, Ann Gaskill, Mary Alice Groves, Shirley Hawks, Carrie Holler, Cassie Jones, Mary King, Selma Perkinson, Pat Pinnell, Dorothy Roberts, Alice Marie Robertson, and Carolyn Robertson.

Also, Peggy Shearin, Jennifer Smiley, Evelyn Thompson, Gladys Wemyss, Margaret White, Nell Whitley, Juanita Wood, Margurite Miles, Elaine Coleman and Betty Jo Daniel.

# Arrest Made In Safe Robbery, Cash Found

Warren County Deputy Sheriffs Harold Seaman and Bobby Dean Bolton on Thursday morning recovered \$3,169.92 in cash and checks from some \$5000 in cash and checks stolen from HealthCo at Soul City on Monday night.

Arrested and placed in the custody of his mother after she had posted \$1500 bond for his appearance in Warren County District Court for a hearing scheduled to be held on Wednesday morning, June 17, was Julius Kearney, 18, former employee of HealthCo. He was charged with breaking, entering and larceny.

Kearney is alleged to have entered the building through a back window which he broke, cutting his hand in the process. Inside he loaded a small safe on a cart and hauled it to some woods behind Starlight Palace on SR 1001, where it was recovered by the

deputies. The estimated amount in the safe was \$2200.08 in cash. \$2852.02 in Medicare checks, and \$759.01 in other checks. Recovered with the safe, in addition to the \$3,169.92 in cash and checks was a bunch of keys. It was reported at the Sheriff's Office that part of the checks had been

Deputy Seaman said he was called to HealthCo around 8:30 a. m. Thursday. He was met there by Phillip Williams, director of HealthCo, who showed him where the safe had stood, and another similar safe which had not been molested. He said a trail of blood led from where the safe had been loaded on the cart to where it had been loaded into a vehicle.

Seaman said he called in the investigation.

Bolton requested a list of all employees who had recently been fired from HealthCo and the name of Julius Kearney, black male, of Rt. 2, Norlina, was found in the list.

Bolton said he later spotted Kearney and told him to come by the Sheriff's office for an interview. When Kearney appeared at the Sheriff's Office, he was wearing a bandage on one hand, which Kearney claimed he hurt in a lawnmower.

Bolton said that Kearney allegediy confessed to breaking into HealthCo and stealing the safe. Seaman said Kearney told him that he cut his hand while breaking the glass in the window, and that the safe had been taken to the

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### **New Drug Store** Coming To Town

A new drug store is scheduled to open in Norlina by July 1.

The new firm .- to be known as Village Pharmacy — will be located in a building on U.S. 158 which formerly housed Village Food Mart.

Work to revamp the building, both inside and outside, is currently under way. The pharmacy will be the third in the area to be

owned by Warrenton native C. C. (Chocky) White. White, now a resident of Henderson, owns drug stores in Henderson and Louisburg. The new drug store, the second in Norlina, will

be housed in a 2,100-square-foot building. Three full-time employees are expected to work there. The pharmacist will be Norlina native Bill

Hicks, who has been employed as a druggist in Richmond, Va., for several years.

### Preddy Is Appointed Manson Postmaster

Walter T. Preddy has been appointed postmaster at Manson. The announcement was made by Sectional Center Manager Keith R. Harvey of Raleigh.

Mr. Preddy, 48, is a native of Granville County. He has been a postal employee since 1960 and has served as a clerk in the Oxford Post Office since

He is a member of Corinth Baptist Church in Oxford, is a Mason and a member of Henry F. Grainger Lodge in Oxford. He is a Shriner, Sudan Temple, and is active with the Rural Volunteer Fire Department, having served as secretary-treasurer for the past ten

Mr. Preddy and his wife, Betty, have two children, Susan, a teacher at South Granville High School in Creedmoor, and Walter, Jr., a rising senior at the University of North Caro-

Postmaster selections for offices of this size are made on the basis of merit from a list of qualified candidates submitted to the Sectional Center manager at Raleigh. He selects and recommends to the Postmaster General the best qualified person for appointment to each vacancy.

Also beginning work at at the Manson Post Office is Bennie Hilliard of Macon, a rural carrier.

#### No Decision Made In Coffman Case

The News and Observer announced on Tuesday morning that the State Board of Medical Examiners was to decide on Tuesday afternoon whether a Warren County physician will be able to continue his practice. The article follows:

By JOHN DRESCHER

In The News and Observer The State Board of Medical Examiners was to decide Tuesday whether a Warren County doctor will be able to continue practicing medicine.

Dr. Donald Coffman of Norlina has been charged by the six-member board with a lack of competence and an inability to perform

his job. The board heard more than four hours of testimony in Raleigh Monday about cases Coffman has handled at Warren General Hospital – a 30-bed facility – and in his private practice.

If found incompetent, Coffman's license could be revoked or suspended, or he could be placed on probation.

Coffman, a 1968 graduate of the University of Illinois Medical School, has been a general practitioner in Warrenton for 12 years.

1981-82. Harris also said that questions may be asked concerning the relationship of Revenue sharing funds to the budget as a Uses of Revenue Sharing

funds were presented to

attend this hearing and may offer oral or written comments on the proposed use of Revenue Sharing funds for the fiscal year

He said in an interview

that between his private

practice, clinics and the

hospital he tends to about

250 patients a week, sub-

stantially more than the

Besides overwork, he

said he felt that many of

the complaints against him

arose because he had

access only to substandard

The hearing testimony

centered on Coffman's

medical records, diag-

noses and prescribed treat-

board presented 55 medi-

cal cases handled and

Dr. Richard L. Taylor of

transcribed by Coffman.

Oxford, a witness for the

prosecution, testified that

in five cases from Warren

General Hospital, "it is my

opinion that the treatment

rendered does not meet

generally recognized

standards of medical prac-

Taylor is chairman of

the capital area Physi-

cians Advisory Committee

for the Professional Stan-

dards Review Organiza-

tion, which reviews cases of patients supported by

federal money and makes recommendations on pos-sible discipline to the State

Board of Medical Examin-

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Prosecutors for the

average doctor.

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tice."

the board on June 1, as follows: Warren County Jail,

Public Hearing Set On Budget

Warren County \$64,350; Sheriff's Department, \$133,904; Warren County Landfill, \$80,746; total, \$279,000. These funds represent approximately 6 percent of the total budget of \$4,542,564.

Warren County's total tax rate under the tentative budget submitted on June 1 by the County Manager, including school and bond payment funds, calls for a tax rate of \$0.96, on the \$100 valuation, an increase of 7¢.

Gloria Edmonds was

installed as president of

the Warrenton Junior

Woman's Club during a

recent banquet held at the

Middleburg Steak House.

Other officers installed

were Betsy Gardner, first

vice president; Loree

Strickland, second vice

president; Donna Medlin,

treasurer: Ann Copley,

corresponding secretary;

and Eleanor Fuller, re-

budget, upon which no public hearing has been held, calls for a tax rate of \$0.95, the same as for 1980-81. Granville County tax rate under a tentative budget calls for a rate of \$1.06; and Franklin County tax rate under a tentative budget calls for a tax rate deferred until the October meeting of the General

Assembly. In all four counties, commissioners pled poor economic conditions, and reduced requests of practically all county divisions.

## Mrs. Edmonds Named Club President

cording secretary. Officers were installed by Katie Fleming of Norlina, District 14 junior director. She was a special guest of the club.

The meeting was opened and the welcome given to members, husbands and special guests by Vonnette Robertson. Later Mrs. Robertson, the outgoing president, thanked everyone for helping her during

the past year. She presented the club with a new U.S. flag.

Mrs. Edmonds called on the club for their support during the coming year and announced that her theme would be "Working Together For Success."

Bonnie Andrews was named Club Woman of the Year and given a silver award during an awards

ceremony presided over by Kathy Vaughan, awards

chairman. Others receiving special awards were Willoughby Harris, winner of the Carter Award; Donna Medlin, winner of the New Woman Award; Club Gloria Edmonds, winner of the Live Loving Award; and Loree Strickland, winner of the Congeniality

Among award recipients at the recent meeting of the Warrenton Junior Woman's Club were, left to right, Gloria Edmonds, winner of the Live Loving Award; Donna Medlin, recipient of the New Club Woman Award;

Loree Strickland, winner of the Congeniality Award; and unie Andrews, winner of the Club Woman of the Year Award. Awards were handed out following a banquet at the Middleburg Steak House. (Staff Photo) ddleburg Steak House.

### Renn Succeeds Peele In Norling Bank Post

Peoples Bank and Trust Company this week announced the transfer of Dennis M. Renn to the bank's Norlina office.

A native of Henderson, Renn has been associated with Peoples Bank since March, 1969. His latest position was Branch Manager and Commercial Loan Officer in the Henderson-Mall office. He is a recent graduate of the Robert Morris and Associates Commercial Lending School at East Carolina University.

Renn has also attended one year of the North Carolina School of Banking at the University of North Carolina - Chapel Hill and completed several AIB courses, including Law in **Banking and a Supervisory** 

Renn has served as vice president of the Hender-son Mall Merchants Association and is a past member of the Henderson Jaycees. He is married to the former Jane Robers of Henderson and the have two daughters. I

C. Thomas Peele, former branch executive in Norlina, has been promoted to vice president and branch executive in the bank's Scotland Neck office.

For Home Thieves The Warren County Sheriff's Department is

Lawmen Looking

continuing the search for the persons who broke into the home of Vernon Whitmore at Drewry on Monday afternoon. A member of the SBI was called into the case Tues-

Whitmore said on Wednesday morning that the SBI Agent said that three or four persons were involved in the case and within 15 minutes had ransacked three rooms, stolen several hundred dollars worth of property and departed.

Some one was at the cremises until 11:30 a.m.,