

Costs Of Going To Court Rise

A commonly pronounced judgment in our courts is the term: "Let him pay costs."

Effective this past July 1, the costs in criminal cases were raised \$4 in District Court cases and \$10 in cases in Superior Court.

The costs are determined by the N. C. General Assembly.

Court Clerk Anne F. Davis explained this week what constitutes the "costs" or charges that are incidental to each case.

Formerly the total costs for a criminal case in District Court was \$27. That was \$19 as the general court fee, \$3 for the facility fee, \$3 for the law enforcement officers benefit fund, and \$2 as the officer-service fee (not that any officer gets the money).

Effective July 1, the facility fee was raised from \$3 to \$5 and the officer-

service fee was raised from \$2 to \$4. This brings the current District Court costs to \$31.

In civil cases in District Court, the general court fee remains at \$18, but the facility charge was raised from the \$6 figure to a new one of \$9. This \$3 increase ups the basic court costs from \$24 to \$27.

In Superior Court civil cases, the general-court fee remains at \$28. But the facility fee has been raised from \$6 to \$9. This ups the total in civil actions from \$34 to \$37.

The costs in criminal cases in superior Court have been raised from \$48 to a new figure of \$58. The general court fee remains at \$28, and the law enforcement officers benefit fee is still \$3. But the facility fee was raised from \$15 to \$23 and the officer-service fee

from \$2 to \$4.

Clerk Davis noted that, if a case is bound over from District Court or goes directly to the Grand Jury, only the Superior Court costs are assessed. If a case is appealed, however, both the District Court and the Superior Court costs are assessed.

Added to the above costs also are any additional service fees, jail fees, restitution, and fines or counsel fees as directed by the presiding judge.

The money derived from fines goes into funds to help finance the operation of the schools, Mrs. Davis noted.

In small-claims cases (which are handled by magistrates, the general-court fee remains at \$5. The facility fee, however, has been raised from \$3 to \$5. This increased the total costs from \$8 to \$10. (Small claims cases are limited to

\$800.)

There have been increases in court costs for estate cases and special proceedings also.

In estate cases, the general-court fee remains at \$8; however, the facility fee has been raised from \$2 to \$3. This is an increase in the total costs from \$10 to \$11.

The general court fee in special proceedings remains at \$13. But the facility fee has been raised from \$2 to \$3. This places the total costs for special proceedings at \$16.

There has been no change in the fees involving foreclosures. That cost remains at \$15.

The service fees for officers of the Sheriff's Department in civil and criminal matters have been increased from \$2 to \$4.

Lightning Kills Florida Woman At Lake Gaston

A Florida woman was killed by lightning at Gaston Lake around 6:15 on Monday afternoon.

According to Warren County Ambulance Driver Roy Harmon, Mrs. Betty Frances Jones Allen, 40, of Sarasota, Fla., had left the lake ramp and started to a nearby cottage when lightning struck a large sweetgum tree just as she was passing by. The lightning jumped from the tree to her body causing instant death.

The body was taken by Harmon to Blaylock Funeral Home in Warrenton from where it was taken to Durham where it was cremated and the ashes shipped to Kentucky for memorial services.

Mrs. Allen, a counselor

at Booker High School in Sarasota, Fla., was born in Mount Sterling, Ky., the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Jones of Interlachen, Fla., who survive her.

Other survivors include her husband, Eugene S. Allen of Sarasota, Fla.; two sons, Gene Cooke, and Ted Cooke, both of Sarasota, Fla.; a stepdaughter, Elaine Allen of Lakeland, Fla.; and a brother, David Jones of Crescent, Fla.

Report Received

Cases Are Heard In Superior Court

The July session of the criminal term of Warren County Superior Court, which convened here on July 7 with Judge Robert H. Hargrove, Resident Judge, presiding, adjourned on Friday, July 10, around 3 p. m. Court convened on Tuesday morning because Monday was being observed as a July 4 holiday.

According to a report turned over to The Warren Record on Tuesday, July 21, three jury trials took up much of the time of the court during the nearly four days it was in session. In addition there were five cases on the motion docket, one case on the probation docket, several plea bargains, a few dismissals and a great number of cases continued.

Of the three jury trials heard by the court a not guilty verdict was entered in two cases, those of Andrew Lewis West, charged with felonious receiving of stolen goods; and Ernest Jones, charged with assault with deadly weapon with intent to kill inflicting serious injury. In the third jury case, Tony Watson, misdemeanor larceny, a mistrial was declared.

Two other cases against Andrew Lewis West, felonious larceny and felonious possession of stolen goods, were continued for the term.

Timothy Robert Harris entered a plea of guilty of three cases of breaking, entering and larceny, which were combined. Judgment was that he be confined in North Carolina Department of Correction for not more than four years as a convicted youthful offender. The sentence was suspended for five years and the defendant was placed under supervised probation for five years. Terms of probation were that he pay a \$500 fine and costs in six cases, pay restitution as follows: \$135.50 to Andrew Goode, \$100 to George Baskerville, \$150 to Sally Epps, \$100 to Mary Fields; \$50 to the Jones Estate; \$1,000 to B. G. White, guardian of Rita Loyd; remain gainfully employed, that after his 18th birthday his place of employment be with Crowder Construction Company or some other employer approved by his probation officer. That during the term of probation he be gainfully employed or a full time student. That if any time he is not gainfully employ-

ed or a full time student he shall report to his probation officer every ten days; and pay his probation officer a fee of \$10 per month.

Ted Andrew Harris was charged with four cases of breaking, entering and larceny, which were combined. He pled guilty to the charges. Judgment was that he be confined in North Carolina Department of Corrections for four years as a youthful convicted offender. The sentence was suspended for five years and the defendant placed on supervised probation under the following conditions: Pay \$500 fine and costs in five cases, pay restitution as follows: \$137.50 to Andrew Goode, \$100 to George Baskerville, \$150 to Sally Epps, \$100 to Mary Fields, \$50 to the Jones Estate; remain gainfully employed, that after his 18th birthday his place of employment be with Crowder Construction Company or some other employer approved by his probation officer. That during the term of his probation he shall be gainfully employed or a full time student. If any time he is not gainfully employed or a full time student he shall report to his probation officer every ten days, and shall pay a probation supervision fee of \$10 per month.

Raymond Jones pled guilty to a charge of breaking and entering. Seven other cases in which Jones was charged with the same offenses were combined for judgment. He was sentenced to be confined in the North Carolina Department of Correction for from two to four years. That as a condition of work release or parole, the defendant shall pay restitution to Sidney Burton in amount of \$415, and to Jasper Jones in amount of \$1,799.62, and reimburse the State of North Carolina for attorney fees in amount of \$550. The court finds as a fact that the defendant would not derive benefit sentence under convicted youthful offender statute.

The State took a voluntary dismissal in four cases against Edward Schuster in which he was charged with breaking, entering and larceny. In the fifth case he pled guilty to a charge of breaking, entering and larceny and was confined to serve not more than two years in (Continued on page 11)



GLENN HOLTZMAN

Warren Is Included In Regional Survey

Warren County is one of three counties in North Carolina selected to be represented in a comprehensive survey financed by the U. S. Department of Agriculture.

The community research project was announced this week by Randall P. White, assistant professor of agricultural economy and rural sociology at N. C. A&T University in Greensboro.

Mr. White said the survey will be conducted simultaneously in 30 counties in the southern United States. Data will be collected and analyzed at N. C. A&T. The survey will also be conducted in Bertie and Hoke counties.

Seeking to determine many answers dealing with the quality of life in

the county, the survey will be conducted by three local interviewers.

A total of 72 families are expected to be contacted in Warren County in order to complete the survey. Interviewing will begin in late July and continue until late August or early September.

Mr. White stressed the fact that no names will be used in the collection of data, and all information is confidential. All sections of Warren County are expected to be included in the completed survey.

Mr. White is being assisted by two Greensboro residents — Ms. Albertine Banks, his research associate, and Rodgely A. Mu'min, a graduate student at N. C. A&T.

Farmers Looking For High Prices Tuesday

Farmers who have designated their tobacco for sale on the Warrenton Tobacco Market are hopeful of receiving some of the same high prices for tobacco that Boarder Belt farmers got on Monday and Tuesday of this week.

The Warrenton Market will open another sales year on Tuesday, July 28. The first sale is scheduled to start at 9 a. m. at High Dollar Warehouse. Sales will follow at Currin's, Farmers, Thompson's and Centre.

George Willis Shearin, sales supervisor for the Warrenton market, said prospects look bright in Warren County and in this area.

Preliminary figures from the Federal-State Market News Service showed the average price paid Tuesday on North Carolina Border Belt markets was \$157.99 per hundred pounds on total sales of 2.5 million pounds. That figure was up almost \$4 per hundred from opening day averages.

Holtzman Named State Champion

Reuben Glenn Holtzman, Jr., 16, of Ridgeway has been named state winner in 4-H Agricultural Projects.

Glenn, a 4-H member for four years, lives on a poultry and general field crop farm in Ridgeway. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Reuben G. Holtzman, Sr.

This statewide honor has earned for Glenn a chance to enter his agricultural project record book in national competition. Being one of several state winners named by the State 4-H Office, Glenn will receive an all-expense-paid trip to national 4-H Congress held in November in Chicago, Ill. Sponsor of Glenn's award is International Harvester Company.

Glenn's 4-H accomplishments include major projects and activities in tractor, soybeans, tobacco, poultry, health, gardening, commercial horticulture and marketing. Glenn's many projects and activities have enabled him to become well acquainted with many activities on the farm. At an early age he learned how to operate up-

dated farm machinery and employ recommended practices and good management procedures on the farm. His roadside market of fresh fruits and vegetables has been very successful during his 4-H career.

"Agriculture plays a big part in my family's life," he said. "My father bought my grandmother's farm four years ago in order to give us a job during the summer months. We enjoyed it so much that he decided for the farm to become our means of making a living. He bought another farm in order to expand our acreage. We also rented another 100 acres of land to plant soybeans. I picked the 4-H Agricultural Project so I could help my father on the farm. I helped him with all the crops; from breaking the land to planting the winter cover crops."

"In 1977 my father wanted to give my sister and me something to do in the summer time, so he bought my grandmother's farm. He planted a large garden and a half acre of cantaloupes and two long rows of watermelons. We had a roadside stand and sold our produce, cantaloupes and watermelons. This gave us our first start. He liked it so well my father decided to quit public work and bought us another large farm with a beautiful home site and

moved to Ridgeway."

Previous honors and recognition won by Glenn include receiving a county champion certificate and trophy in agriculture in 1978, and a district championship in 1978. Glenn has also won blue ribbons in his poultry, power tool safety, gardening, and commercial horticulture projects.

Glenn's 4-H leadership experience includes membership on the 4-H County Council, junior leader in his local club, local club treasurer for two years and assisting with many other projects and activities carried out by the Ridgeway Community club with Mrs. Chris Holtzman, leader.

Glenn is a rising junior at Warren County High School this fall. After graduating he plans to pursue a career in commercial farming.

This week Glenn and other winners will be recognized at N. C. 4-H club Congress held on the campus of North Carolina (Continued on page 14)

Drug Store Coming Here

Rite Aid Corporation has signed a lease for a 6,400-square-foot discount pharmacy at the proposed Hall Springs Shopping Center on Macon Street, Warrenton, according to Martin Grass, Rite Aid's Vice President of Real Estate.

The shopping center, which will include a Byrd's Supermarket, is expected to be open before the end of this year. The developer is Byrd Food Stores, Inc., of Burlington.

The new store will employ approximately ten persons and will feature a prescription department that will offer both brand name medications and highest quality generic drugs at discount prices.

Approximately 11,000 other merchandise items will be available in the store, including the popular Rite Aid brand products. (Continued on page 14)



O'LEARY

New Controller Is Named Here

Warren General Hospital has a new director of business affairs.

He is Kevin Joseph O'Leary, 23, a native of New York State who began his duties as controller at the hospital on Monday.

O'Leary is a native of Albany, N. Y. and attended the State University of New York. He worked for two years before moving to Warrenton as an accountant for Fox Hospital in Oneonta, N. Y.

O'Leary, who is single, lives at 418 East Macon Street, Warrenton.



Alice Marie Robertson, left, president of the Warrenton Lioness Club, inducts Joyce Garrett and Kathy Scott, right, as new members of the local civic club. The club met Monday night at the Warrenton Lions Den. (Staff Photo)

New Members Are Inducted

Two new members of the Warrenton Lioness Club were initiated into the club on Monday night during ceremonies held at the Warrenton Lions Den.

Lioness President Alice Marie Robertson conducted the initiation ceremony and welcomed Kathy Scott and Joyce Garrett into the club.

The meeting, which began at 8 p. m., was called to order by Presi-

dent Robertson and singing was led by Vice President Dorothy Roberts. Lioness Secretary Katie Davis read the minutes and called the roll.

Lioness Taitwister Blanche Andrews held a bit of merriment and fined all Lionesses ten cents who could not comply with her request.

The guest speaker for

the night, Ben Terrell, was introduced by Juanita Wood. Mr. Terrell, principal of Warren County High School, explained the new class system and the new programs that will be implemented at the new consolidated school. He invited all present to visit the school.

The next regular meeting of the club will be held August 17 at 8 p. m. at the Lions Den.