

## Convict Is Among Suspects

William Hansford Jones, 26, who escaped from the Warren County Correction Unit on June 14, is one of several suspects in the Friday morning slaying of Fannie Holshouser, a convenience store operator in Sanford, according to the Sanford Police Department.

Jones was serving a two-year sentence for a misdemeanor and escape.

According to Sanford Police Chief R. V. Yarborough, a customer went into the Short Shop store around 11:40 a. m. and found the body of Mrs. Holshouser, 61, lying beside the open cash register.

Robbery was the apparent motive.

Mrs. Holshouser, the mother of three grown children, had worked at the Short Shop for six years.

## Loss Of Card

## Leads To Arrest

## In Bank Entry

Alvin Crossin, 18, and John Anderson, 18, both of Norlina, were placed under arrest early Tuesday afternoon in connection with a break-in at Peoples Bank, according to Norlina Police Chief Romey Williams.

Bank employees found a window broken at the bank when they arrived for work Tuesday morning at approximately 8 a. m.

The Norlina Police Department and State Bureau of Investigation were called, and according to Williams, a permanent voter registration card belonging to Crossin was found at the scene.

Fingerprints lifted at the scene by the SBI matched those belonging to Crossin on file at the Norlina Police Department, Williams said.

Williams indicated that Anderson would be charged with aiding and abetting Crossin, since there was no indication that Anderson entered the building.

## Official Placed

## Under County Plan

The Board of Commissioners on Tuesday voted to place the Supervisor of the Warren County Board of Elections, a part-time job, under the county's personnel plan, entitling her to fringe benefits and retirement compensation.

Tabled for further study by the board until the August meeting was consideration of an ordinance for solid waste management.



**OVERFLOWING** — This Warren County trash container bulges over with Fourth of July garbage on Tuesday. The desire to improve the trash collection system was

expressed by Lake Gaston residents who appeared before the Warren County Board of Commissioners Tuesday. (Staff Photo)

## Lack Of Services Criticized By Residents Of Lake Gaston

Leaders of several sections of Gaston Lake appeared before the Board of County Commissioners Tuesday morning to register complaints about the operation of solid waste system on the lake, the dumping of waste on roads leading to dumpsters, the lack of dumpster sites, the general unsanitary conditions around the dumps, in particular, lack of police protection and general neglect on the part of Warren County. Not only was county police protection sadly lacking, but seldom was a Highway Patrolman ever seen.

Pointing out that the lake is responsible for 15% of all of the taxes in Warren County, by persons who require no schools, who build their own roads, speakers asked did not the governing body of Warren County feel that they owed anything to the inhabitants who live on the lake?

Chairman Harris said that garbage collection is an increasing problem all over the county, and that efforts are being made to correct its abuses, among which are the ordering of several larger dumpsters. He also said that he and the rest of the commissioners were well aware of the contributions made to Warren County by inhabitants of its lakes.

Complicating the trouble on Gaston Lake is the removal of dumpsters from Wildwood and Shearin's. Some of the additional trouble could be lessened by fencing in a group of dumpster sites.

Commissioner Herbert Harris, who is familiar with conditions in that section, said he feels that a site for five dumpsters could probably be leased around Wildwood which might be fenced. The Gaston delegation agreed

that would be a big help.

Later in the day, Joe Lennon, Health Officer, submitted a memorandum to the commissioners concerning Abuse of the Use of Solid Waste Containers provided by Warren County, and submitted to the commissioners a motion made at its quarterly meeting on June 21, and unanimously adopted by the board, reading as follows:

"That the Warren County Board of Health express its concern regarding the unsanitary and repulsive solid waste hazard being created by our citizens in dumping solid waste outside the metal containers which are provided by the county and recommends that the County Commissioners take appropriate action to improve this situation."

Sign posted on the side of solid waste containers:

**WARREN COUNTY**  
Household  
Waste Container

1. Put Trash Inside
2. Close Lids After Use
3. Household Garbage Only
4. Do Not Dispose of Appliances, Rubber Tires, Limbs, Lumber, Bricks or Bulky Items
5. Take Bulky Items to Landfill
6. Report Violations to 257-2711

G. S. 14-399, Littering — (A) No person, firm, organization, private corporation, or governing body, agents or employees of any municipal corporation shall intentionally or recklessly throw, scatter, spill or place or intentionally or recklessly cause to be blown, scattered, spilled, thrown or placed or otherwise dispose of any litter upon any public property or private property not owned by him within this state or in the waters of this state includ-

ing, but not limited to, any public highway, public park, beach, campground, forest land, recreational area, trailer park, highway, road, street or alley except:

(1) When such property is designated by the state or political subdivision thereof for the disposal of garbage and refuse, and such person is authorized to use such property for such purpose; or

(2) Into a litter receptacle in such a manner that the litter will be prevented from being carried away or deposited by the elements upon any such private or public property or waters,

(B) When litter is so blown, scattered, spilled, thrown or placed from a vehicle or watercraft, the

operator thereof shall be presumed to have committed such offense,

(C) As used in this section, the word "Litter" shall be defined as any rubbish, waste material, cans, refuse, garbage, trash, debris, dead animals or discarded materials of every kind and description; the word vehicle shall be defined as in G. S. 20-4.01 (49); and the word "watercraft" shall be defined as any boat or vessel used for transport upon or across the water.

(D) A violation of this section is a misdemeanor punishable by a fine of fifty dollars (\$50.00) for the first offense. Any second or subsequent offense is punishable by a fine of not more than two hundred dollars.

## White Draws Two Life Sentences

Warren County Superior Court convened July 6 with Judge James H. Pou Bailey presiding.

The following cases were disposed of before court was recessed for the day at 12:35 p. m. Tuesday:

Willie White was found guilty of two counts of second degree murder in the shooting of Margaret Norris and Regina Norris. He was ordered confined to the N. C. Department of Correction for two consecutive life sentences.

John Samuel Ozlin was found guilty of driving with a blood alcohol level in excess of .10. He was ordered confined in Warren County Jail for 15 days. Charges of driving left of center and resisting an officer were dismissed.

Mattie Jones was found guilty of simple assault and ordered to Warren County Jail for 30 days. A charge of communicating threats was dismissed.

The case of Haywood Perry, charged with murder, was continued for the term at the request of defense counsel, and the speedy trial requirement was waived.

The case of Joseph "Chub" Mayfield on charges of assault with a deadly weapon with intent to inflict serious injury was continued for convenience of the defendant and the speedy trial requirement was waived.

Glenn Henderson was found guilty of probation violation and probation was revoked.

## Capps And Fleming

## Call For Runoff

Warren County Deputy Dorsey Capps, who drew 1,154 votes for Warren County sheriff in last Tuesday's primary, has filed for a runoff with Deputy T. R. Williams, who polled 2,751 votes, narrowly missing a majority, according to Mrs. Ruby Jones, county elections supervisor.

The runoff will be held on July 27.

Ellis Fleming, former Manson postmaster, who trailed Francis Alston in a bid for a seat on the Warren County Board of Commissioners by a count of 3,025 to 2,580, has also filed for a runoff, Mrs. Jones said.

## New Suit Is Filed In Try To Avoid Storage Of PCBs

Warren County citizens opposed to the dumping of PCBs in a state landfill in the county will meet tomorrow night (Thursday) at 8 o'clock at Afton Schoolhouse.

The meeting, entitled "The Choice is Yours," is open to the public and will feature four guest speakers, according to Ken Ferruccio, spokesman for Warren County Citizens Concerned About PCBs. They are: Warren County Health Director Joe Lennon, Dr. James Grabill, a physician practicing in the county, J. T. Fleming, a local realtor, and the Rev. Luther G. Brown, pastor of Coley Springs Baptist Church.

Warren County Citizens Concerned About PCBs filed a lawsuit in U. S. Eastern District Court Friday to prevent burial of the PCBs in Warren County.

According to Ferruccio, lawyers retained by 25 people and two organizations are now seeking a hearing on a motion for a preliminary injunction to stop preparation by the state of the landfill at Afton.

According to reports previously published, the Warren County Chapter of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People and Coley Springs Baptist Church are participating in the filing of the lawsuit.

Named as defendants in the lawsuit are Anne Gorsuch, head of the Environmental Protection Agency, Heman Clark, N.

C. secretary of Crime Control and Public Safety, and the state of North Carolina.

The complaint alleges that the state failed to comply with its own laws in seeking to pre-empt the county's PCB ordinance that the environmental impact statement is misleading in implying that the dump will not hurt the county's economy, and will not pose a health hazard; and that the state's decision to locate the PCB burial site in Warren County was based partly on racial considerations.

Warren County has a 64.5

percent minority population.

The PCBs, a substance used in electrical transformers and suspected of causing cancer in humans, are to be removed from roadsides in more than 12 counties and transported to the dump site this summer, according to state plans.

Ferruccio said that the Rev. Mr. Brown is expected to make a motion at the meeting tomorrow night and that the motion is expected to carry, he declined to say what the motion involved, but said that if implemented, it would have state and national significance.

## Mobile Incinerator Urged For PCB Use

Mrs. John Kerr, Jr., an active member of the Concerned Citizens of Warren County, appeared before the county commissioners to inform them that a mobile incinerator has been perfected and has been approved by EPA which is capable of destroying PCBs, bonded to the soil, without moving it from the roadside, and that the use of this process could save the federal, state and county governments millions of dollars.

She said that she had been informed that the process had been developed by Frank Freestone, Municipal and Environmental Research Laboratory, Oral

and Hazard Material Spill Branch, Edison, N. J., which name and address she turned over to the chairman of the Board of County Commissioners.

Mrs. Kerr said that she was also happy to learn that Dr. Charles Mulchi, Soil Scientist with the University of Maryland, had agreed to appear as a witness whenever a new trial is held, without charging as an expert witness. And she also thanked the commissioners for their efforts to block the storage of PCBs in Warren County.

The North Carolina Chapter of the NAACP is seeking to obtain an injunction from the state to stop construction of the landfill in Warren County and the storage of PCBs here on the grounds of discrimination. A number of citizens of Afton, it has been said, will join in the effort.

Mrs. Kerr said that she also wanted to inform the commissioners that a meeting of Concerned Citizens will be held at the Afton School House at 8 p. m. Thursday night. She said Dr. Grabill would be present at this meeting, and she hoped that the commissioners would attend this meeting.

No action was taken by the commissioners at their Tuesday meeting, except to thank Mrs. Kerr for her appearance, and to request of Mrs. Kerr the name and address of the developer of the mobile incineration process, which Mrs. Kerr furnished the chairman. Later in the day Joe Lennon, Health Director, appeared before the commissioners with a resolution passed by the Board of Health, concerned with the monitoring of the Landfill and a request that local monitors would accompany those from the state whenever they monitored the landfill.

## Valentine Seeks Second Primary

I. T. "Tim" Valentine, Nashville attorney, this week announced his call for a second primary for the Second Congressional District seat.

Valentine will oppose R. M. "Mickey" Michaux who lacked a clear majority of votes in the June 29 primary. Valentine polled 34 percent of the vote.

## Fund Loss, Economy Affect School Hiring

By HOWARD JONES

The number of vacancies in the Warren County public school system is down significantly this year, and school officials think the decrease is due primarily to a downswing in the economy and the loss of federal funds.

Only three teaching vacancies will be filled with new personnel this summer, Superintendent Mike Williams said in an interview.

Williams said he believes the decline results not only from the loss of federal dollars for education, but because some vacancies have been filled by people who have been displaced by the loss of other positions.

"Additionally, the state of the economy has tended to make people hang on to the jobs they have," he said.

Williams said some \$130,000 has been lost in federal programs and partially as a result the schools will operate during the 1982-83 school year with 207 certified people — a drop of six from last year — and 156 non-certified people — a decline of two from last year. He said that additionally the school system will employ 78 bus drivers, a number unchanged from the 1981-82 school

year.

The three new people which the board hopes to employ on or after July 19 will include a band director at Warren County High School, a speech and language teacher who will work with students in several schools in the county, and a reading teacher at South Warren Elementary School.

In a typical year, Williams said, approximately 20 new people are employed by the school system. Last year the schools employed eight non-certified people and filled eight certified positions. Certified positions are those which require a teaching certificate.

Williams said steps are under way to advertise for the three vacancies, and that the three new people employed will report to work on August 18.

The first full day for students is August 26, following an August 24 orientation day.

Williams said members of the Warren County Board of Education have been apprised of the allotments for next year, and that they will be given a report on vacancies at their July 12 meeting.

## No Tax Increase Wins Endorsement

Warren County commissioners have formally adopted a budget for 1982-83 which calls for a tax rate of 96 cents per hundred dollar valuation — unchanged from last year — and the expenditure of \$3.45 million in general fund items.

Meeting in special session on June 30, the Board of County Commissioners officially put its stamp of approval on the new budget.

The largest single item in raising money for the general fund is ad valorem taxes, expected to amount to \$1,855,828.

Line items in the general fund expense budget include:	
Ambulance Service.....	\$84,876
County Attorney.....	4,349
County Commissioners.....	13,715
Contingency.....	26,000
Court Facilities.....	2,285
Maintenance and Utilities.....	60,938
Dog Warden.....	12,511
Board of Elections.....	20,339
Agricultural Extension Service.....	55,792
Finance Officer/Tax Collector.....	68,064
Fire Departments/Rescue Squad.....	79,040
Forestry Service.....	30,000
Mental Health.....	18,575
Warren County Health Department.....	458,988
Inspection Department.....	20,167
Insurance, Retirement, Social Security.....	111,990
Industrial Development.....	37,000
County Manager.....	59,781
Medical Examiner.....	1,000
Miscellaneous.....	50,774
Planning Board.....	1,850
Register of Deeds.....	39,586
Revaluation.....	32,500
Sheriff's (Special).....	6,084
Warren County Schools.....	833,875
Social Services.....	873,913
Soil Conservation Service.....	9,737
Warren General Hospital.....	81,172
Tax Supervisor.....	44,898
Veterans Service Office.....	16,409
Libraries.....	11,750
Regional Water System.....	96,000
Child Support Enforcement Officer.....	4,675
Appropriation to Debt Service.....	206,120
<b>TOTAL.....</b>	<b>\$3,450,903</b>