

## Valentine Not Favored Here; Wins District

I. T. "Tim" Valentine, Nashville lawyer nominated by 2nd Congressional District Democratic voters Tuesday to succeed L. H. Fountain

## Warren Backs 2 Winners

Warren County Democratic voters Tuesday followed a state-wide trend and gave their endorsement to attorneys Sidney S. Eagles, Jr. of Raleigh and Eugene H. Phillips of Winston-Salem in dual contests for nomination to the N. C. Court of Appeals.

Eagles, who finished second in the June 29 first primary, defeated District Judge Paul M. Right of Goldsboro for the seat of retiring Judge Robert M. Martin. In doing so, he carried each of Warren's 14 precincts and was favored by absentee voters, 112-51. Eagles will face Republican Betty J. Pearce of Greensboro in the November general election.

Phillips, who scored a landslide victory statewide, defeated District Judge H. Horton Rountree of Greenville in the runoff for the seat being vacated by retiring Chief Judge Naomi E. Morris. He carried all Warren precincts, but finished second among absentee voters, 84-82.

Since there is no Republican opposition for the seat sought by Phillips, the Democratic nomination means election on the state's 12-member court.

## Haliwas Planning To Build Library

The Haliwa-Saponi Indian Tribe, Inc. is raising funds for a library to be built in Warren County on Highway 1636 near the old Haliwa School on a portion of 25 acres of land donated to the tribe in 1980 by Continental Forest Industries, according to Kathy H. Wilson, planner and deputy director of the tribe.

Ms. Wilson said that a recent survey conducted by the administrative staff determined that there was a vital need for a library in the community, and the Tribal Governing Council designated the library as a priority.

The total projected cost of the library is \$43,525. Construction cost is estimated at \$27,825.

To date, Z. Smith Reynolds Foundation has promised a contribution of \$14,000 and Burlington Industries has pledged \$500. Also, \$500 has been received from the General Tribal Funds.

as a member of Congress, was unable to count Warren County in his victory column.

Instead, Warren voters — turning out in record numbers — gave a majority of their votes to Durham's H. M. "Mickey" Michaux, making a bid to become North Carolina's first black congressman in 80 years.

Michaux collected 3,428 Warren votes, compared with 2,896 votes for Valentine, a 56-year-old attorney who must face Republican nominee John W. "Jack" Marin, a Durham lawyer and former professional basketball player, for the seat which Fountain held for 30 years.

Valentine was able to carry six Warren precincts, and was the choice of 131 absentee voters. He had his strongest showing in Norlina, where he led 466 to 294, as that precinct saw 77.2 percent of its eligible Democratic voters mark ballots. Michaux carried Warren's other traditional swing precinct — Nutbush — by a margin of 409 to 150.

Valentine finished second in the first primary held in June, coming in ahead of former N. C. House Speaker James Ramsey of Roxboro. In Tuesday's election, he won the endorsement of most of Ramsey's faithful.

Valentine carried Vance, Person and Granville counties, a feat which he failed to accomplish in the June 29 primary. Voting was heavy in each of the 10 counties comprising the newly aligned 2nd District.

December 31 is the deadline to raise other funds to supplement those already committed, and donations are tax-exempt.

The library will contain a ready reference of culturally related materials on the Haliwa-Saponi Tribe and other native Americans. It will also house other resource and reference materials.

The land development plan for the tribe is available for review at the tribal center in Hollister. It includes plans for the library.

### Must Report

All boys interested in playing football for Warren Academy should report to the Warrior gym Friday, July 30, at 7 p. m.

It is important that all boys attend this meeting, according to Dickie Williams, head coach.

Football practice will begin Monday, August 2, at 6 p. m.



Workers from Pioneer Roofing Co. in Raleigh hope that good weather will enable them to finish putting a new roof on Mariam Boyd Elementary School within the next two weeks. The project, which began Monday, was needed to repair leaks and will cost approximately \$49,000. (Staff Photo)

### Election Observations

## State Tried To Save By Rationing Ballots

By HOWARD JONES

A state decision to conserve paper and hold back on the number of state ballots provided Warren County resulted

in dozens of Warren voters being unable to cast ballots in the two races for appeals court seats.

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## Rites Scheduled For Howell Steed

Funeral services for Henry Howell Steed, 73, of Afton will be conducted this afternoon, (Wednesday) at 4:00 o'clock from Providence United Methodist Church by the Rev. Ed Childress and the Rev. Julian Mills. Burial will be in the church cemetery.

Mr. Steed, the son of the late Henry and Florence Satterwhite Steed of Vance County, died at his home around 4:45 p. m. Monday following an extended illness.

He was a veteran of World War II, Past Commander of American Legion Post No. 25, active in Boy Scout work, both in Vance and Warren counties, a member of Providence United Methodist Church where he served as Sunday School Superintendent for 22 years, taught Sunday School for 40 years and was lay speaker for 16 years.

For a number of years he worked as salesman for Roth-Stewart mercantile store in Henderson, and for a short while operated a store in Warrenton. For many years he worked for the Vance County School System as Pupil Personnel Director.

He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Mildred Mabry Steed, of the home; a son, Vernon Howell Steed of Fort Pierce, Fla.; a granddaughter, Sreda Sue Steed of Henderson; two sisters, Mrs. Sue Goodrich of Henderson and Mrs. Eunice Wray of McKenny, Va.; and a brother, Clayton Steed of Lawrenceville, Va.

Active pallbearers will be Macey Paynter, Harold Harris, Wayne Adcock, James Goodrich, Leon Steed, Richard Steed, Jr., Jim Overby, and Jack Waddell.

The family requests that instead of flowers, donations be made to Providence Church Building Fund, or to Louisburg College.

### Bond Ordered

Bond of \$15,000 was ordered last week for Sam Cheek, Jr., being held in the July 18 shooting death of Mark Haislip of Norlina.

The bond was set by District Judge C. W. Wilkinson of Oxford, before whom Cheek and his lawyer, former District Attorney Charles M. White, III, appeared on Wednesday of last week.

Elections furnished Warren County with 6,000 ballots for the N. C. Court of Appeals contest, refusing to provide more because of its opinion that voter turnout here would be low.

When the ballots for the state races began to give out, Warren elections officials were able to borrow an additional 1,000 judges' ballots from neighboring Franklin County.

The extra ballots wound up not being used, however, as less than 5,000 votes were cast in the appeals court races. Nonetheless, they were given to voters until shortly after 7 p. m. when the supply gave out, leaving scores of voters with no judges' ballots to mark.

Local police officers and members of the Warren County Sheriff's Department came in for a share of praise Tuesday night for their assistance in Tuesday's Democratic primary.

Mrs. Janice Crump, chairperson of the Warren County Board of Elections since 1975, said law enforcement officers did a good job in distributing ballots to various precincts and in juggling the available ballots to meet the demand.

When poll workers at Fishing Creek Precinct phoned in partial returns at 8:10 p. m. Tuesday, they gave an (Continued on page 3)

# Williams Wins Race For Sheriff

Warren voters turned out in record number Tuesday to make Theodore R. Williams the first black sheriff in the county's history. Williams, a deputy seeking retiring Sheriff Clarence A. Davis's post, raced to victory with 58 percent of the vote, downing challenger Dorsey Capps, Warren's chief deputy.

Williams, a native of Warren County, led the ticket Tuesday as 74.3 percent of Warren's 8,554 eligible Democrats went to the polls. Since he has no Republican opposition in November's general election, Williams is assured of taking office in December.

A member of the sheriff's office for the past 12 years, Williams also owns a small charter bus company. He led the five-man contest for sheriff in the first primary, but fell short of winning the race outright.

Tuesday's unofficial election returns showed that Williams was the choice of 3,580 Warren voters, while Capps was favored by 2,629 voters.

Williams won the endorsement of voters in 11 of Warren's 14 precincts. Capps carried only Hawtree, Smith Creek and Norlina precincts, in addition to the absentee vote, which he won 129 to 64.

A precinct-by-precinct tally reveals that Williams built his 951-vote lead as follows: (Figures show Williams's total first, Capps's total second.)

River, 187-113; Sixpound, 145-144; Hawtree, 224-264; Smith Creek, 97-136; Nutbush, 400-141; Sandy Creek, 302-167; Shocco, 223-89; Fishing Creek, 237-108; Judkins, 186-138; West Warrenton, 573-332;

Fork, 119-63; Roanoke, 78-35; Norlina, 315-431; and East Warrenton, 430-339.

Heaviest voting percentage in Tuesday's primary occurred in Judkins Precinct, where

77.9 percent of the eligible voters went to the polls. The lowest turnout, percentage-wise, occurred in Fork Township, where 61.4 percent of the eligible voters turned out.



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## Black's Gain Pivotal Seat

Tuesday's Democratic primary marked the end of white domination of the five-member Warren County Board of Commissioners as Francis Alston, a black Norlina businessman, defeated his white opponent, former Manson Postmaster Ellis E. Fleming, by a vote of 3,132 to 2,873.

A strong showing by Alston in predominantly black precincts resulted in his being nominated as the third black on the board. Since there is no Republican opposition in November, he will join incumbent commissioner George E. Shearin and newcomer Mrs. Eva M. Clayton, both blacks, on the Warren board next December.

Fleming, who finished second in a four-candi-

date race for the seat formerly held by Commissioner Clyde Edwards, made a strong showing despite a recent turnout which largely followed racial lines. Fleming won in River, Sixpound, Hawtree, Smith Creek, Norlina and East Warrenton precincts, as well as gaining a 132-52 margin in absentee votes.

Alston's big margins came in Nutbush, where he led 366-170, and in West Warrenton, which he took 514-361. He also carried Sandy Creek, Shocco, Fishing Creek, Judkins, Fork and Roanoke as he built his lead.

### Prayer Hour Is Scheduled

Because they believe the dumping of PCB-laden soil in a Warren County landfill is a moral issue, Warren County Citizens Concerned about PCB are inviting citizens to join them in prayer for one hour at 3 p. m. on Sunday, August 1.

There will be a central prayer meeting at Coley Springs Baptist Church in Afton. The meeting will be conducted by the Rev. Luther Brown, pastor of Coley Springs; the Rev. Edward Childress, pastor of Providence Methodist Church; and the Rev. Julian Mills, pastor of Sulphur Springs Baptist Church.

### In Hospital

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

George Davis, Douglas Duke, Frank Twitty, John Crostie, Ruth McCurry, Sallie Drumgold, and Betty Fields.

## Tobacco Mart Opens Aug. 4

The 1982 tobacco marketing season will begin in Warrenton on Wednesday, August 4.

Glenn Riggan, president of the Warrenton Tobacco Board of Trade, said sales will begin at 9 a. m. at Currin's Warehouse, to be followed by High Dollar, Center, Thompson's and Farmers'.

A full set of buyers is expected to be on hand for the opening and Riggan said he believes all houses will be blocked.

Last year the Warrenton market sold 10,413,270 pounds of tobacco for \$16,767,902 — an average of \$161.17 per hundred pounds.

Growers' expectations are being tempered by news that North Carolina's Eastern Belt, which opened Tuesday, recorded light demand and prices which were down drastically from last year's first-day sales.

At the end of the first designation period on May 3, growers within a 100-mile radius of Warrenton had designated 8,026,600 pounds to be sold with local warehouses.

Thomas Watson, ASCS director, said farmers may change their designation or designate for the first time during the period of August 2-6.