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INAUGURAL ACTIVITIES — A marching unit comprised of Safety Patrol students at North Warren Elementary School is shown in top photo as it leads a parade honoring newly elected county officials through downtown Warrenton on Monday afternoon. At left is a float entered by the Kittrell Job Corps Center in Vance County. At right, Arthur E. Teele, Jr., a federal official who was the keynote

speaker at a banquet held in honor of the new office holders. Shown at the head table while Teele speaks is Warrenton Mayor B. G. White and Mrs. Patsy T. Hargrove, executive secretary of the John R. Hawkins Alumni and Friends, Inc., sponsors of Monday's events. In lower photo is a marching band from Durham High School, one of several bands taking part in the inaugural parade. (Staff Photos)

Warren County Is Praised For Electing Black Officials

Banquet, Dance Cap Day Of Celebration

The most elaborate inaugural ceremonies in county history were climaxed Monday night by a banquet and dance sponsored by alumni of the former John R. Hawkins High School to honor seven newly elected Warren officials, six of whom are black and five of whom are Hawkins graduates.

The banquet and dance, held in the cafeteria of Warren County High School, attracted a capacity crowd of 350, most of whom were relatives and friends of the honorees. The event, sponsored by John R. Hawkins Alumni and Friends, Inc., was billed as a "Salute to County Government." The gathering provid-

the gathering provided winners of the November General Election an opportunity to reflect on their success at the polls.

New Sheriff Theodore R. Williams called it "one of the proudest moments of my life" and said that "tonight we start our work for the next four years." He told the audience that he regarded his work as one of helping people as well as putting folks in jail.

Mrs. Eva M. Clayton, who earlier in the day had been made the first woman chairman of the Board of County Commissioners, said simply "How sweet it is."

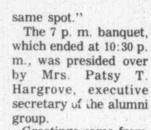
Her companion on the board, veteran commissioner George E. Shearin, Sr., said people of Warren County "feel highly honored to have this day" and he called on those present to "work with us as we work with you."

The third member of the first black-dominated board of commissioners in North Carolina since Reconstruction, Francis L. Alston, was content to say "thank you" and quote scripture. He pledged to "do justly, love mercy and walk humbly."

Yarborough Williams, Jr., a first-term member of the Warren County Board of Education, called his audience a group of "beautiful people" and he asked that they "keep the faith and help me to be the kind of person you elected me to be."

His companion on the board, Henry T. Pitchford, Jr., said he could not "forget the persons who began the struggle" and he recited a list of county black leaders, saying that "we take up their fruits."

Superior Court Clerk Richard E. Hunter, Jr., the only white newly elected county official at the banquet, said "the people I should thank most are the voters." He said he hoped "to see you again in four years at the



Greetings came from Warrenton Mayor B. G. White, Chamber of Commerce President Charles Hayes, and Benjamin Ruffin, assistant to Governor Hunt. The welcome was by WCHS Principal James T. Wilkerson and the invocation was by

the Rev. Floyd B. McKissick, Sr. After the roast beef

dinner, musical selections were performed by Mrs. Angela Harris of Raleigh and Mrs. Roberta Scott of Norlina.

Honorees wer introduced by Miss Rosiland Gilliam and special gusts were introduced by Mrs. Jennie J. Franklin and Charles J. Worth.

The benediction was given by the Rev. Norman T. Davis.

BUDDY'S WORKSHOP Siding Protects Home; Insulation Keeps It Warm

Does home siding reduce energy bills?

Siding protects the outside of your home and improves its appearance, but siding alone is not an effective energysaver. There are some small energy saving benefits when additional panels or "backer board" are used and a somewhat increased savings in energy if the siding is installed over sheets of polystyrene, polyurethane or other foamed plastic materials.

The most effective means of saving energy include caulking and weatherstripping around doors and windows to keep warm air in and cold air out; insulating the attic; and making sure the home heating system is operating at peak efficiency.

How often should a home heating system receive maintenance?

Furnaces and boilers should be cleaned at least once a year, preferably before the cold weather arrives. Twice a year is even better. Furnaces and boilers should be inspected at least once a year by a professional.

Should water pipes in an unheated basement be insulated?

In areas subject to extreme winter temperatures, it's wise to insulate all exposed pipes in unheated basements or crawl spaces. This is especially true in older homes that may be poorly insulated or drafty.

The State of North Carolina was lauded by a black federal official Monday night for having the fifth highest number of black elected officials of any state in the nation, and Warren County was congratulated for doing its part.

"We're making history here in Warren," Arthur E. Teele, Jr., a Florida lawyer who is administrator of the Urban Mass Transportation Administration, told a capacity crowd gathered in the Warren County High School cafeteria. "Something special is at work here in this section of North Carolina."

Teele, who has family connections in the Vaughan section of Warren County, was the principal speaker at a banquet staged for newly elected county officials by John R. Hawkins Alumni and Friends, Inc.

Because Congress was meeting Monday night on legislation affecting the U.S. Department of Transportation, Teele was late to arrive and early to leave. But while in Warren the 35-year-old highly decorated veteran of the Vietnam War joined in the salute to local office holders and brought congratulations "from black Americans across the nation."

Teele said the occasion was made possible Mu because Warren citilin zens had exercised their Du "most precious of all Ev rights – the right to Ro vote." He spoke of familiarity with the effort to advance black capitalism through the

creation of Soul City, which he termed "a wonderfl experiment we have tried to make a reality."

The speaker said his audience was brought together by a "sense of unity," and he called for "a deeper commitment of black and white ment of black and ment of blacks and whites to work together."

He said that black Americans "must not forfeit our rights at the economic table," and he said that training and education were the keys to building a bridge to an improved life.

Teele paid tribute to the work of the Hawkins alumni group, reminding them that "education makes it impossible to enslave."

The speaker was introduced by John J. Hawkins, leader of the Republican Party in Warren County.

Arrangements for Teele's appearance and other aspects of the banquet were handled by a planning committee comprised of Mrs. Patsy T. Hargrove,

Mrs. Eva M. Clayton, Mrs. Jennie J. Franklin, Miss Ella C. Dunson, Roosevelt Evans, Mrs. Irene S. Robinson, Mrs. Dorsie T. Green, Mrs. Ruby G.

Warren County

Jaycees announced this

week that they will

again sponsor their an-

nual "Christmas Wish"

project. The Jaycees'

main goal is to help the

"In order to make this

a success we need the

help of everyone in

Warren County" Chet

Forrester, president of

the Jaycees, said. "Its

very easy to take things

for granted. We forget

that many people in our

county would love to get

a box full of fruit, candy,

magazines and other

things showing them

that we care about

them. Our first goal, is

to find the people who

Anyone needing help

should write the Warren

County Jaycees at P.O.

Box 631, Warrenton. The

letters must include the

name and directions to

the residence as well as

the person's age, sex,

deadline, so the more in-

formation we have the

more we can help," ad-

We are on a very strict

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Ayscue, Richard P. Ayscue, Jr., Miss Rosiland Gilliam, Mrs. Mamie T. Alston, Mrs. Arnetra D. Johnson and Mrs. Gwendetta H. Tunstall.

Jaycees Sponsoring 'Christmas Wish'

ded Forrester. "All requests must be in by December 15."

Jaycees are targeting their help toward children and the elderly. Jaycee members will be contacting merchants for help. All money collected will go primarily for toys and clothing for children.

In addition Jaycee members will be going door-to-door on Monday, December 13, asking for canned goods, clothing, toys and magazines.

"If we do not contact you please call any Jaycee you know. We will be glad to pick up anything you wish to donate," Forrester said.

Jaycees are concentrating this year on clothing (please place size if not shown on clothing), toys (dominoes, cards, stuffed animals, etc.), canned goods (soup, beans, vegetables, etc.) and magazines (Readers Digest, Southern Living, National Geographic, etc.).

