In Downtown Chase

# Postal Clerk Helps Stamp Out Thievery

By BIGNALL JONES

A fast moving and angry postal clerk was largely responsible for the recovery of a \$249 money order and the arrest of a robber and his accomplice here on Thursday afternoon of last week.

When Titus Thomas,

### Special Meets

### Produce Zero

Two special meetings held at the Warrenton Municipal Building on Market Street on Thursday of last week resulted in no accomplishments and quick adjournment.

The Warrenton Plan-Board scheduled to meet at 5:30 p.m. to consider a request of Mrs. Leona Cheek Henderson that a one-acre lot on State Road 1332 (Loop Road in North Warrenton) be rezoned from low residential density to high residential density.

Members of the Planning Board present were Roy Pat Robertson, chairman, Mrs. H.S. Andersen, and Mc-Carroll Alston. The meeting was adjourned with no action because the four members required to make a quorum were not

present. The second meeting was that of the Warrenton Commissioners, called in order that the public might participate in a hearing on Revenue Sharing and the town budget. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Beverly White, and after waiting for some time, was adjourned without any action because no interested citizen appeared.

The Planning Board meeting has been rescheduled for Monday night, June 13, at 7 o'clock in the Municipal Building.

The regular monthly meeting of the Town Commissioners will be held at 8 p.m. the same

A copy of the proposed budget will be on file in the Town Clerk's office after June 6, 1983, for public inspection from 8:30-5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

#### Final Maps Win

### **Board Approval**

Three final maps were approved by the Warren County Planning Board in its regular meeting last Thursday, according to Butch Meek, board chairman.

A map for Woodland Shores, owned by Pete Rudd, was approved for 34 lots. The development is in Roanoke Shores.

Four lots owned by Nathaniel Davis, Jr., located in Sandy Creek Township, were approved for individual building.

Sections one and two of Shocco Hills Subdivision, owned by B. C. & P. Investment Club, were approved for 36 lots. The subdivision is in Fork Township.

23, of Cedarhurst Street Apartments in Henderson, snatched a \$249 money order from beneath the hand of Mrs. Juanita Wood, postal clerk at the Warrenton Post Office at 4:45 p. m. last Thursday and fled, he reckoned without the speed, determination, and anger of Mrs. Wood. As a result, he is being held in the Warren County jail under \$2,500

His accomplice, Anderson Terry, also 23, of Swain Street, Henderson, was later arrested and is being held for trial under bond of \$500.

Both men were given a 96-hour hearing before Richard Hunter, clerk of Warren County Court, on Friday afternoon. He appointed Ronnie Reaves, law partner of Rep. Frank Ballance, as attorney for both Thomas and Terry.

When Thomas fled from the post office with the money order, Mrs. Wood dashed through a side door of the post office and through the front door in time to see Thomas running down Fairview Street toward Front Street. Shouting constantly to "stop that man in the black suit," Mrs. Wood followed him up Front Street and watched the man turn between Green Funeral Home and A&P Grocery

"I just remember how mad I was," Mrs. Wood said yesterday after-

Her cries attracted a number of other civilians, Lawrence Harrison, deputy sheriff, and members of the Warrenton Police force. Thomas was arrested by Sergeant Eugene Mustian of the Warrenton Police in a shed used by A&P for the storage of papers, boxes and other debris.

Mustian carried his prisoner before Magistrate Stephen Rodwell, who set bond for both Thomas and Terry, who had been arrested later.

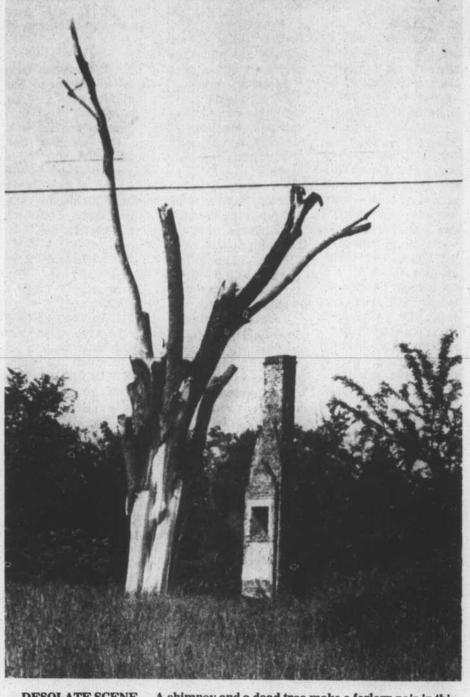
"The police were very efficient," Mrs. Wood said. So was Mrs. Wood, most persons will agree.

#### **WIC Vendors Meet**

#### Is Planned Here

The annual WIC Vendor's training session will be held June 6 at 7:30 p. m. in the lobby of the Warren County Health Department, according to Mrs. Maggie Kiah, nutritionist and WIC director with the Warren County Health Department.

We urge all vendors who now have contracts and any new vendor who might wish to start accepting WIC Food Instruments to attend this meeting," Mrs. Kiah said. Only one training session will be held this year and each vendor having a new contract must be at this training



DESOLATE SCENE - A chimney and a dead tree make a forlorn pair in this scene photographed east of Warrenton in the Red Hill neighborhood.

(Staff Photo)

# Warren's Jobless Rate Shows Decrease In April

Warren County's unemployment rate decreased in April, figures released this week by the N. C. Employment Security Commission indicate.

The jobless rate in April decreased in 94 counties, increased in four counties and remained unchanged in two counties, according to Glenn Jernigan, chairman of the ECS. Warren's rate dropped from 17.2 percent in March to 15.3 percent in April. In April, 810 of the county's 5,290 workers were jobless.

The statewide total unemployment rate was 8.7 percent in April,

### Jury Trial Is **Under Way Here**

The jury trial of William Bryan Slade of Norfolk, Va. on a charge of involuntary manslaughter in the death of Ronald Carlisle, 18, of Gaithersburg, Md. in a boating accident on Lake Gaston last summer began yesterday

(Tuesday) in Warren

County Superior Court. For the purpose of trial, two other charges of operating a motorboat without navigational lights and operating a motorboat in a reckless and negligent manner were joined with the manslaughter charge. However, the judge instructed the jury that verdicts would be brought in separately

for the three charges. John John C. Martin of Durham is presiding over the criminal session of court, which will continue today.

down significantly from 9.7 percent in March. The national unadjusted rate was 10.0 percent in April, down from 10.8 percent in March.

In April 1983, 49 counties recorded double digit unemployment. In the same month a year before, 39 counties had unemployment rates of ten percent or more.

Swain County registered the highest unemployment rate, 25.1 percent, in April.

Other counties with highest unemployment were Clay (21.1 percent), Graham (19.9 percent), Dare (18.6 percent), Avery (18.1 percent), and Cherokee (17.0 percent).

Counties with the lowest unemployment rates in April were Orange (3.2 percent), Durham (4.4 percent), Wake (4.4 percent), Gates (4.7 percent), Watauga (5.7 percent), and Polk (5.8 percent).

### Scholarship Recipients Named By Alumni Group

The recipients of 1983 scholarship awards by the John R. Hawkins Alumni and Friends, Inc. were announced this week by Patsy T. Hargrove of Warrenton, executive secretary for the group.

Of 23 applicants, the following six were named

Angela Fleming, niece of Mrs. Oliva C. Griffin of Norlina, received a \$300 scholarship and plans to attend Louisburg Junior College, majoring in business ministration.

David Richardson, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Richardson of Warrenton, was awarded a \$300 scholarship and plans to study computer science at N. C. State University.

A \$300 scholarship was also awarded to Kimberlin M. Moore, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph H. Harrison. Miss Moore will computer study

programming Howard University in Washington, D. C.

Tanya D. Ayscue, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard P. Ayscue, Jr. of Warrenton, received a \$300 scholarship for study at A&T State University in Greensboro where she will major in business administration.

A \$200 scholarship was awarded to Sheila Allen, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Allen of Warrenton, who plans to attend A&T State University and major in accounting.

A \$200 scholarship was also awarded to Denise I. Bullock, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William E. Bullock of Manson, who plans to major in computer science at N. C. Central University in Durham.

Two other recipients' names were released earlier in the year.

Deborah F. Cheek, daughter of Mr. and (Continued on page 9)

# **Graduation Plans** Are Listed Here

### **Educator To** Give Address

Commencement exercises at Warren County High School will be held on Friday, June 10, at 7 p. m. in the Warren County High School gymnasium. James Jordan, Jr., assistant superintendent of Warren County Schools, will deliver the commencement address.

Jordan is a native of Oxford and attended the public schools of that county. He received his undergraduate education at N. C. Central University with a degree in biology. He was a National Science Foundation fellow in chemistry at A&T State University and received a master's degree in education from East Carolina University, where he majored in educational ministration. Currently, he is completing requirements for an educational specialist degree.

Jordan's entire professional career has been with the Warren County schools, beginning in 1956 as a high school teacher of biology and chemistry at the former John R. Hawkins High School. While teaching there, he organized the first science fair held in the county schools. Other positions he has held include guidance counselor, audio visual coordinator, assistant principal and ESEA director. He is a member and officer of numerous professional, religious and civic organizations.

He is married to the (Continued on page 9)



**JORDAN** 

The driver of this pickup truck, 19-year-old John Kenneth Durham of Rt. 1, Manson, was fatally injured Saturday night when his vehicle overturned in northwestern Warren County. Four others were hurt when the truck struck a passing automobile.

## **Manson Driver** Dies In Wreck

A Manson man was killed and four members of a family from the same community were injured Saturday night in an accident about 14 miles northeast of Norlina on State road 1200 leading from Drewry crossroads to Kerr Dam, according to the State Highway Patrol.

The driver of a pickup truck, John Kenneth Durham, 19, of Rt. 1, Manson was pronounced dead at the scene of the accident in which his truck overturned in the path of a car.

The car was driven by Charles William Robinson, Jr., also of Rt. 1, Manson. Robinson, his wife, Nina, and two children were all admitted to Maria Parham Hospital in Henderson for treatment.

Nina Robinson was listed in satisfactory condition Monday after-

Robinson was released from the hospital on Sunday, and the couple's two children, 2year old Charles III and 11-month-old Kelly, were released from the hospital Saturday night. According to in-

vestigating officer B. R. Pope, the accident occurred about 8:45 p. m. when Durham ran off the road to the right, lost control of the pickup truck, and pulled the truck back onto the roadway, where it overturned in the path of the car, and the two collided.

No charges were filed. Highway Patrol records indicate the owner of the pickup truck was Eugene Durham of Rt. 1, Manson. CFR Leasing Corp. of

New Castle, Del. owned

### Town's Budget Is Announced

A proposed town budget of \$42,098 was presented to members of the Macon Board of Commissioners Monday during a called meeting.

The budget, presented by Town Clerk Audrey King, is now available for public inspection at the clerk's office.

Mrs. King said that a public hearing of proposed uses Revenus Sharing funds will be held at 12:30 p. m. on Monday, June 13 at the Town Office.



Top honor students at Warren County High School this year are, from left Allen Bailey, salutatorian; Pattie JoAnne Robertson, valedictorian; a Angela Ross, valedictorian. (Community Schools Photo)