

3 Charged After Still Is Raided

A raid on a liquor still in northwestern Warren County Thursday morning has resulted in the arrest of three Manson brothers.

Arrested at the site was Claiborne Henderson, 35, of Route 1 who was charged with illegal possession of non-tax-paid liquor.

Glenn Henderson, 29, and Ronald Lee Henderson, 20, were arrested Monday and charged with illegal possession of non-tax-paid liquor and manufacture of alcohol.

Each man posted a \$500 secured bond shortly after his arrest.

A warrant has also been issued charging the elder Henderson with illegal manufacture of alcohol, but had not been served as of Tuesday afternoon, according to Office Deputy Betsy Frazier with the County Sheriff's Department.

Chief Deputy B. D. Bolton reported that officers were waiting for the still operators Thursday morning when three men arrived at the site about 200 yards off County Line Park Road near the Vance County line.

Claiborne Henderson was arrested, but Bolton reported that the other two escaped.

The still and 750 gallons of mash used in the manufacture of liquor were destroyed by law enforcement officers and 30 gallons of non-tax-paid liquor was confiscated at the scene, Bolton reported.

Assisting the Warren County Sheriff's Department in the raid were ABC officers from Vance, Halifax, and Wake counties and state Alcohol Law Enforcement officers.



Members of the Warren County Eagles basketball team celebrate after winning the conference championship in Weldon on Saturday night. The Eagles entered the district playoffs in Ahsokie last night, crunching Williamston High School by a 79-47 score.

Warren County High School will play the winner of Friday's game between Weldon and Plymouth in an 8 p. m. Monday contest at Ahsokie.

(Consherto Williams Photo)

College Eyeing Warren Site

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Warren County officials, who would like to see a branch of Vance-Granville Community College located in Warren County, are looking to the General Assembly for financial assistance in purchasing a building to house the local branch.

County commissioners went on record last Wednesday at their mid-monthly meeting in support of a resolution from the County Industrial Development Commission calling for a local presence of the college.

According to Brad Carroll, commission member, the facility on East Macon Street in Warrenton that until recently housed Randy Currin Chevrolet has been targeted as a prime location.

The asking price for the facility, which went on the market last fall, is \$165,000, Carroll said.

"We have been talking about this (the need for the local branch) for a number of years," Carroll said. "There is a need for continuing education and for skills training. A majority of the county's work force is unskilled which hampers us in recruiting industry. It would help us to have a permanent facility here."

Vance-Granville President Ben Currin noted at the meeting that an increase in student enrollment follows location of a branch in counties without a

community college.

"We have found that where we put a presence up...we increase participation and enrollment of students," Currin told the board. "There seems to be a high correlation between convenience and participation."

Currently, about 116 people are enrolled in eight classes being sponsored off-campus by the college in Warren County Schools facilities, Currin said.

He expressed appreciation for the cooperation of the schools with the college, but added that it would be especially advantageous for the college to have a facility where training equipment, such as word processors and shop tools, could be set up on a more permanent basis than is possible at the schools.

Currin, who estimated that between nine and 11 percent of the student body on the main campus was from Warren County, said that the General Assembly in its last session funded community college satellites in six counties.

Under the satellite concept, Currin said, the county would provide the facility and pay for telephone service, utilities, and maintenance while the college would provide office and teaching personnel.

The college has been instrumental in the past in skills training of employees for local industries, most recently at Owens-Illinois.



If funds can be secured from the General Assembly, this facility on East Macon Street in Warrenton could soon house a branch of Vance-Granville

Community College. The building until recently was occupied by Randy Currin Chevrolet.

(Staff Photo)

Guard Spending Fills Local Coffers

Warrenton's 69 National Guardsmen are among the 13,000 statewide who report for weekend drill and annual training and who comprise a part of the North Carolina National Guard operating budget of nearly \$100 million a year. Warrenton's portion of the budget is \$295,057.00, according to Colonel Joe Parker, state public relations officer for the Guard.

Warrenton's allocation includes military pay for Guard members, operating expense for the local army, local purchases, and

pay for full-time personnel. Replacement value for the Warrenton armory facility is estimated at \$583,000.00.

In releasing the financial information, Maj. Gen. Hubert M. Leonard, North Carolina Adjutant General, pointed out, "The North Carolina National Guard is indeed big business and the financial impact on our state is substantial. The National Guard is more than a group of citizen-soldiers ready to respond to state and federal emergencies. We are a viable asset to

our state's economy." Col. Parker noted that the National Guard is best known for its assistance to state and local authorities during emergencies. In 1984

North Carolina Guard personnel put in 4,665 mandays following the March tornadoes and an estimated 3,500 mandays during and after Hurricane Diana.

Republican Meet Set

Officers for the next two years will be elected at the Republican County Convention on March 14 at 7:30 p. m. at the Warren County Courthouse.

Eleven delegates and alternates will also be chosen to attend the district and state conven-

tions. The district convention is scheduled for April and the state convention for June 20-22.

Persons interested in changing their party registration will be welcomed at the county meeting, according to Leland Gottschalk, county chairman.

\$10,000 Is Appropriated

Ambulance Staff To Be Increased

Concern for the increased workload of the four full-time staffers of the Warren County Ambulance Service led county commissioners last Wednesday to allocate an additional \$10,000 during this fiscal year to increase staffing.

The service logged 1,547 calls for 1984, an increase of 400 over 1983.

Currently, the four staffers work three-day shifts, on call 24 hours a day, with the fourth day off.

State law requires that anytime the ambulance answers a call, two certified Emergency Medical Technicians (EMTs) must be on board.

According to Dennis Paschall, Ambulance Service director, the service needs the additional manpower for backup.

Three EMTs are on duty at one time, but if two go out on call, the one remaining must search out a volunteer with EMT certification before answering another call.

The ambulance service would like to have four additional full-time EMTs, and the board agreed to work toward addition of two full-time EMT positions in the upcoming budget.

Paschall said this week that even with additional funding, recruitment is difficult.

"The biggest thing is finding people who are willing to work the number of hours we have to work," Paschall said.

Commissioner George Shearin told fellow commissioners Wednesday that lack of adequate staffing was a liability for the county.

"The salary is not attractive, the hours are not attractive, and the situation there is providing us with a big liability," Shearin commented.

The board voted the additional funding after Chairperson Eva M. Clayton made a plea with the board to "do something...rather than continue talking about it."

The suspension of inpatient services at Warren General Hospital and the opening of the Warren Immediate Care Center was expected to increase the work load of the ambulance service.

However, Paschall said Tuesday that although several transfers from the center to area hospitals had been completed, there had been no appreciable increase in hospital-related calls.

In other business, the board:

—Supported by resolution requests from residents of Wildwood Point Subdivision on Lake Gaston that five streets in the subdivision be added to the state road system. A similar resolution was also approved for paving of Sandy Yancey Road in Manson. The requests will be forwarded to the N.C. Department of Trans-

portation for disposition.

—Indicated their intent to budget \$5,000 for continued operation of KARTS (Kerr Area Regional Transportation System) for 1985-86. KARTS is a public transportation system serving the needs of residents in Warren,

Vance, Franklin and Granville counties, especially the elderly and disadvantaged segments of the population. According to Dottie Sparrow, KARTS coordinator, a match of \$5,000 by each county will enable the system to purchase additional (Continued on page 3)

Native Of Maryland

Young Physician To Practice Here

A Baltimore, Md. native recruited by the N.C. Office of Rural Health is scheduled to open a family practice in Warrenton in August.

Dr. James Holt's practice will be the Warrenton office of the Vance Warren Comprehensive Health Plan. (The plan's other office is at HealthCo in Soul City).

Dr. Holt will treat all age groups, according to Jim Bernstein, chief of the Office of Rural Health.

"He will include a full range of services in his practice and will treat all age groups for most illnesses and will include obstetrics, orthopedics and minor surgery," Bernstein said. "He will develop a network of specialists to whom he can refer his patients when necessary."

Dr. Holt received his undergraduate degree from Princeton University and his medical degree from the University of Maryland. He is



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currently completing a three-year residency at the Medical University of Charleston, S.C.

According to Dr. Holt, whose wife, Judy, is a native of Chapel Hill, "We were searching for a small town where we could raise a large family surrounded by friendly people. After we visited Warrenton, we felt we had found our (Continued on page 3)

Meeting Is Postponed

The regular monthly meeting of the Warren County Board of Commissioners has been rescheduled from Monday, March 4, to Monday, March 11, to allow board members to attend the 1985 Legislative Conference in Washington, D.C. March 2-5.

The March 11 meeting will be held at 9:30 a.m. in the Warren County Courthouse.

Democrats To Caucus

In Warren Precincts

Democrats in Warren County will caucus at their precinct polling places on Thursday, March 7, at 8 p. m., Anna Butler, chairman of the Warren County Democratic Party announced today.

Any registered Democrat is eligible to attend.

Each precinct will elect its officers for the next two years and will choose delegates to the April 13 county convention. Precincts will also have an opportunity to pass resolutions expressing their views on political and public policy issues.

Anybody who wants more information on these precinct meetings should call their precinct chairman, or Mrs. Butler

at 257-3633.

The following is a list of precincts and polling places: Fishing Creek, Arcola Fire Department; Fork, Inez Community House; Hawtree, Wise Fire House; Judkins, Vaughan Elementary School; Norlina, Norlina Fire House; Nutbush, Drewry Fire House; River, Warren County Rescue Squad Building; Roanoke, Eaton Ferry Fire House; Sandy Creek, Afton Community Center; Shocco, South Warren School; Sixpound, Macon School; Smith Creek, Paynter's Candle Shop; East Warrenton, Fire House, Bragg Street; and West Warrenton, John Graham Gym.