

Weather

Partly cloudy and continued warm with widely-scattered afternoon and evening thunder-showers today and Wednesday. High today, 94; low, 70.

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Comment

The reason so many bathing suits look good is because they are so well filled.

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Firing "Honest John" Rocket

Scenes above were taken last Thursday at Fort Bragg where National Guardsmen fired the "Honest John" Rocket. Top photo shows the rocket at moment of launch traveling at estimated speed of 600 miles per hour. Lower left, Lt. Col. Colin McKinne of

Louisburg explains the firing to spectators, with a dummy rocket and launch in the background. Lower right, the "ready" rocket, with blankets in tact to hold proper temperature, receiving last minute going over by troops. More photos page 6.

-Times Staff Photos.

Local Guardmen Fire Modern Rocket As Two Week Encampment Ends

"Honest John" is a cartoon character in Lil Abner, the comic strip by Al Capp. "Honest John" is also a rocket. It is a weapon of great destruction. So destructive is it, that its devastating power is still a military secret.

It is known, however, that one "Honest John" rocket will destroy more than every other weapon combined in the 30th Division. This modern weapon is the responsibility of the 113th artillery, a military unit made up of Louisburg, Youngsville and Zebulon National Guardsmen.

As a climax to their two-week encampment at Fort Bragg, the local units fired the "Honest John" rocket last Thursday afternoon. It was a perfect firing. The actual firing was under the direction of the Zebulon unit, with Capt. Jack Tippett in command.

Youngsville personnel demonstrated how the firing was to take place for the several hundred G. I.'s and guests gathered to witness the event. Louisburg unit, this year, was taking care of the range section.

The Rocket unit is made up of a Headquarters Battery and two Rocket Sections and four launchers. The "Honest John" has a range of ten miles. The shot Thursday was approximately six miles. The three-town unit is capable of firing eight such rockets per day. Major Jack Potter of Zebulon was commanding officer for the operation under Col. Colin McKinne of Louisburg. Capt. Robert Hill was in charge of the Range Section and Capt. William Bass of Youngsville was in charge of the Demonstration unit. —Lt. Williams

of the 82 Airborne Div. was Safety Officer.

The firing was under the supervision of an advisory group from 1st Batt. 12th Arty., Fort Benning, Ga. The rocket, or "round" in army language, weighs 6000 pounds; and carries 100,000 pounds of thrust. The entire launch vehicle weighs 17 tons. Burning time of the fuel that hurls the rocket into space is 4.5 seconds. The rocket is traveling at 600

July 4th Closings

Mrs. Juanita Pleasants, Secretary to the Louisburg Business Association announces that "Many of our merchants will remain open Saturday, July 4, and will be closed Monday, July 6."

Business Permits Due

Louisburg businesses have until July 1 to buy Privilege Licenses for the coming year. Town Tax Collector R. Lee Johnson said Monday.

He reported that \$1,256.75 has been collected since the licenses went on sale May 15. His office expects to collect a total of \$3,800 from sale of the licenses by the end of the fiscal year, June 30, 1965.

Johnson estimated a total of 250 business and tradespeople doing business in the town must purchase licenses.

Businesses which do not buy a license by July 31, 1964, will be charged a monthly penalty of 5 per cent of the original cost of the license, as set up by State law.

Johnson said the cost of a license ranged from 50 cents, the rate for a shoe shine stand, and up to \$67.50 for pool rooms. The charges vary as to the type of business one may be operating.

The writer who deals in abuse always coats the method with words about reason and fair play.

Bloodshed Boxscore

Raleigh--The Motor Vehicles Department's summary of traffic deaths through 10:00 a.m.

KILLED TO DATE	655
KILLED TO DATE LAST YEAR	548

5 Applications Withdrawn:

Board Rejects Bids For Reassignments

The Franklin County Board of Education disapproved applications for reassignment of five Negro children to the all white Louisburg High School and three white children seeking reassignment from Youngsville to Bunn School, in a special meeting last Friday morning. Three of the eight original Negro applications had been withdrawn prior to the meeting.

Two more were withdrawn on Saturday, after being turned down by the Board. The father of Hunter and Charlie Mayo, named on the applications as Rodwells, withdrew the requests. The applications had been filed by Christine Rodwell, a widow, with whom the Mayo children had been living. Their father lives in Newport News, Va.

St. Clarence Arrington and his wife, Susie C., withdrew the applications for their three children to be reassigned from Riverside to the Louisburg School earlier in the week. Booster White, Youngsville tobaccoist, and his wife Ruth, filed applications for their three children to be reassigned from the Youngsville High School to the Bunn High School. The

White children are: Randolph Hewitt, 13, 7th grade; Donnie Micheal, 17, 9th grade; and Anthony Dale, 1st grade. The White's applications were also disapproved.

The Whites sought reassignment on the basis of "Better opportunities and more chance for advancement" at the Bunn school.

The requests for reassignment of the Negro children, which were denied, concerned the children of Irene and Lenwood Arrington of Louisburg Rt. 3 and Christine Rodwell of Henderson Rt. 2. The Arringtons applied for transfer of three, Lenwood, Jr.; Joe Bennie; and Norine.

St. Clarence and Susie Arrington withdrew applications for three children, Raymond Earl, Larry Donnell and Fred Truman. Arrington is reported to have said he did not understand what he was signing, and added that he thought it was something to do with the Riverside Principal, Carl Harris.

All of the requests for reassignment of the Negro children to the all white Louisburg School were notarized by John P. Mangrum, Franklinton Negro minister who recently ran third in the race for a seat on the Board of County Commissioners from the Youngsville-Franklinton District.

St. Clarence Arrington is reported to have said that he signed the applications at his home and not before the Notary. The law requires that a notary public witness the signing of documents to which he sets his seal.

All of the Negro applicants gave as their reason for seeking reassignment for their children "That Louisburg High has better facilities and is nearer." No reason was made public.

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Moon Eclipse May Be Seen Here Wednesday

People in the Franklin County area will be able to witness a total eclipse of the moon next Wednesday evening. Information released by the Morehead Planetarium in Chapel Hill says the eclipse will be visible here around 8:07 p.m. Wednesday. The eclipse will be visible everywhere else in the country except the Northwest, where the moon will not have risen when the eclipse has ended.

The moon will enter the edge of the earth's shadow at 6:10 P.M. EST, and will start to enter the darkest part of the earth's shadow at 7:16 P.M. EST. Because moonrise in North Carolina is not until 7:30 P.M. EST the night of June 24, the beginning of the eclipse will not be visible here.

But the middle of the eclipse, when the moon is completely centered in the earth's shadow, will be visible at 8:07 P.M. EST. The total eclipse will end at 8:58 P.M. EST and the moon will be completely separated from the earth's shadow at 10:04 P.M. EST.

An eclipse of the moon occurs when the moon passes into the earth's shadow. The

orbit of the moon is inclined to the orbit of the earth by 5 degrees, so most of the time, as the moon circles the earth, it will pass above or below this shadow.

Because of the way the atmosphere of the earth bends, or refracts, the light from the sun, only the red part of the sunlight will fall on the moon's surface during totality and the moon will look deep red.

New Saturday Banking Hours

Harold Talton, Vice President and manager of the local First Citizens Bank and Trust Co. office, announced that the bank will begin closing on Saturdays at 1 p.m. starting this coming Saturday, June 27.

Rangoon, the capital of Burma, derives its name from Yangon, "end of strife," the National Geographic Magazine says. King Alaungpaya named the city in 1755 following his victory over the Mons, inhabitants of southern Burma.

103 Degrees Sets Record

The record breaking hot weather continues in Franklin County with little hope for relief within the next few days. Saturday's high of 103 degrees, recorded at the Louisburg Weather Station by G. O. Kennedy, official weatherman, set a new record.

The previous recorded high for the month of June was on June 23, 1960, when the temperature rose to 99 degrees. That record was broken on June 10 this year when the mercury reached the 100 degree mark.

Sunday's high was 101 degrees before a late afternoon thundershower brought some relief. The hottest temperature ever recorded in the state was on July 28, 1940, at Albemarle when the mercury climbed to 109 degrees.

Kennedy reported that the Louisburg area received .38 inches of rain Sunday afternoon. Many of the county areas reported a great deal more, with some areas being hit by hail.

Coffee was first eaten, later used as a wine and medicine (supposedly good for sore eyes, dropsy, gout, and scurvy), and not until some 700 years ago stippled as a beverage.

SAMPLE BALLOT Official Democratic Primary Ballot For County Officers

- INSTRUCTIONS
1. To vote for a candidate on the ballot make a cross (X) mark in the square at the left of his name.
 2. If you tear or deface or wrongly mark this ballot, return it to the registrar and get another.

FOR HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES: (Vote for One)

- JAMES D. SPEED
- JAMES T. "Joe" MOSS

Primary Election June 27, 1964
J. W. Boone
Chairman Board of Elections Franklin County.

Sample Democratic Second Primary Ballot for State Officers

- INSTRUCTIONS
1. To vote for a candidate on the ballot make a cross (X) mark in the square at the left of his name.
 2. If you tear or deface or wrongly mark this ballot, return it to the registrar and get another.

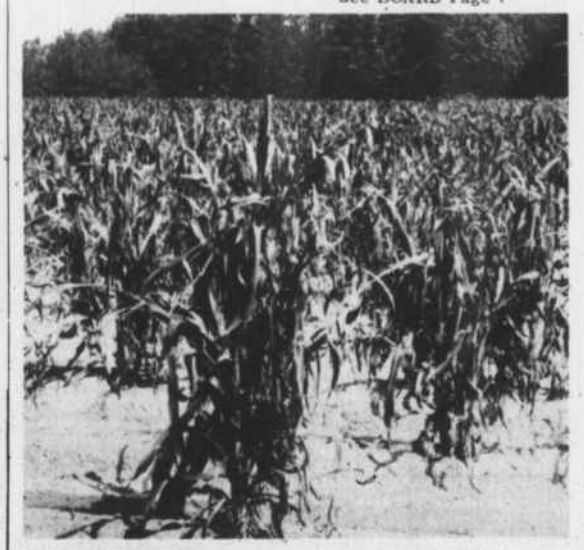
FOR GOVERNOR (Vote for One)

- DAN K. MOORE
- L. RICHARDSON PREYER

FOR LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR (Vote for One)

- ROBERT W. (BOB) SCOTT
- H. CLIFTON BLUE

Second Primary election June 27, 1964.
William Joslin
Chairman State Board of Elections.



Hail Damage

Pictures above show hail damage suffered around the county, top, last Friday on H. Perry Dement farm near Centerville tobacco, left, and corn. Dement estimated 4.3 acres of tobacco and 15 acres of cotton were damaged. Lower photo, left,

shows Asst. County Agent, Bob Shillinglaw, examining damaged tobacco on Edward Boone farm at Justice and right, G. B. Ball farm. Hail justice area was hit Sunday afternoon. Hail hit 3-mile square area Sunday. —Times Staff Photos.