

Louisburg Boys, Epsom Girls Win First Tourney In 15 Years

The long dry spell ended for the Louisburg boys Saturday night, as they downed Conference Champion Youngsville, 60-57, to win their first Tournament Championship in 15 years, their second in 25 years.

Seven times in the past 15 years, eight in the past 25, the Bulldogs have played



Its Been A Long, Long Time

bridesmaids, but never the bride until exceptional performances Friday and Saturday nights carried them to the crown.

The Phantoms (22-1), conference champions, with a 1-1 record, led early in the game, 8-4, and it looked as though they would make it three wins in a row over the Bulldogs. A spurt in the late minutes of the first period brought the score to 10-10 at the end of the frame.

Larry Paschall, outstanding backcourt man for the Phantoms and floor leader, gained three personal fouls early in the game and was unable to play much of the time. His loss hurt the Phantoms' chances.

Wilbur Moore, Louisburg's big man, missed a foul shot just before the half that would have tied, and Youngsville went to the dressing room leading 28-27.

The Bulldogs came back after the intermission, and at the 5:36 time mark in the third period managed a 35-all tie on a field goal by Moore. A foul shot by Louisburg's Donnie Southerland and two field goals by James Stone moved Louisburg ahead, 40-35, with 3:57

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The Epsom girls, finishing the conference play in second place behind Bunn, downed the Bunn girls Friday night, 28-25, to take their first Tournament title in at least twenty years. Epsom, runnerup in three tournaments since 1947, was defeated twice by Edward Best (1963-64) and once by Mills (Louisburg-1959).

The championship game Friday night saw the Bunn girls take a 10-8 lead midway the first period after Epsom had taken an earlier two-point lead. The first half was evenly matched, with both teams staying within reach. Bunn controlled the boards much of the half and led by 18-14 when the teams headed to the dressing rooms.

The third period was more of the same, with the lead changing hands and Epsom behind much of the period. Epsom, however, managed to bring the score to 21-all as the third frame ended.

With 5:38 time left in the game, Epsom was a field goal ahead, 23-21. Thirty seconds later, Charlotte Ayscue hit for Epsom to set the lead at 25-21, and the Epsom girls were ahead to stay.

Delores Falkner of Epsom fouled Nadine Gay of Bunn with 4 minutes to go. Gay made two foul shots to make the score 25-23. Nora White missed at the free-throw line for Bunn, and Anita Strickland of Bunn fouled Falkner. She made the free throw, giving Epsom a three-point edge. Bunn took the ball inbounds and traveled

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Jubilation Breaks Loose

Weather

Decreasing cloudiness and little change in temperatures today and Wednesday. Low this morning, 45; high, 59.

Comment

Moralists, bent on saving the world, always want to tell other people what to think and what to do.

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Franklin Man Has Close Call In Spree

Ronald Davis, manager of Hill's Service Station on U. S. 1 between Youngsville and Wake Forest in Franklin County, says he considers himself lucky to be alive after a harrowing episode last Saturday afternoon.

Davis was kidnapped by two Dorothea Dix mental patients, who are charged in the murder of three men during a wild, blood-filled crime spree last Saturday reaching from the Franklin County station to Greensboro.

Joseph Eugene Spence, 26, and Glenwood O'Neal Williams, 28, both of Raleigh, walked away from the Raleigh mental institution last Saturday afternoon, stole an automobile and first showed up at Hill's Station.

Davis says the two stopped at the station around 2:45 p.m. Williams got out of the car, went inside and asked for a soft drink. As Davis was serving the man, Williams pointed a gun at the attendant and ordered him to empty the cash register. Davis says he gave the man between \$200 and \$300 and was told to "get into the car."

A shot was fired as Davis walked toward the car, the bullet hitting a gas pump cement.

Hearing Set In Preliminary Epsom Death

A preliminary hearing has been scheduled for March 15 before Recorder's Court Judge G. M. Beam, Sr., for Mrs. Minerva Overton Ayscue, Epsom housewife, charged in the shooting death last Wednesday of her husband, Robert Thomas Ayscue.

Mrs. Ayscue is charged with murder and is free on \$2500 bond, according to Franklin Sheriff Joseph W. Champion. Funeral services for Ayscue, 52, a native of Franklin County and a lifelong resident of the Epsom Community, were held last Friday at 2 p.m. from the New Bethel Baptist Church conducted by Rev. Otis Boites and Rev. Jesse Parker. Burial followed in the church cemetery.

In addition to his widow, he is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Ellie A. Collins of Rocky Mount; two sons, Fred Ayscue of Wytheville, Va., and Rev. Alfred T. Ayscue of Pine Level. Also surviving are: one sister, Mrs. Crowell Overton of Epsom, and one brother, John Paul Ayscue of Epsom; and five grandchildren.

foundation. Then followed a three-mile ride, with Davis not allowed to turn his head. Williams held the pistol against Davis' head, Sheriff Joseph Champion reported Davis as saying.

Davis was let out of the car and told not to look back. As he scampered into the nearby woods, two shots were fired, neither hitting the man. Davis told Sheriff Champion that he lay flat on the ground until the car moved away a few minutes later. He then hiked through the woods to a telephone, and unable to get the station owner, caught a ride back and called the Franklin County Sheriff.

Williams and Spence were arrested by an off-duty Raleigh policeman early Sunday morning at Jim Thornton's Dance Hall south of Raleigh. Both men are being held in Durham County Jail, charged with the murder of Alston Maynard, a Durham taxi driver, whose body was found in Greensboro last Saturday.

The bodies of two other men were found near Butler early this morning after a massive search by law enforcement officers and units of the N. C. National Guard. The pair have been charged with murdering Andrew (Dink) Roberts, service station owner in Durham County. See CRIME page 2

Wreck Stolen Car

Three Massachusetts youths are being detained in Vance County after having wrecked a stolen 1961 Oldsmobile Sunday, two miles north of Franklinton on U. S. Highway 1. Stephen Burrell 15, is a patient in Maria Parham Hospital suffering from severe back and head injuries.

Stephen F. Sylvia 17, of Beverly, Mass., was the driver of the vehicle when it ran off the highway and overturned around 5:30 p.m. Sunday, according to State Trooper D. C. Day. Gregory B. Kuly 16, Manchester, Mass., is charged with driving the car in Vance County, where he was stopped earlier by State B. D. Adkins.

As Kuly got out of the car, after being stopped by Trooper Adkins, Sylvia slipped under the steering wheel and escaped. Adkins chased the vehicle at speeds in excess of 100 miles per hour into Franklin County, where it was wrecked.

The car was stolen from Marlon L. Harding of Beverly, Mass., according to Trooper Day.



Howard Stallings Mrs. Wiley F. Mitchell Delores Falkner

Most Valuable Players
Wiley F. Mitchell Award

Danforth Lecturer To Speak At College

Dr. Jose Maria Chaves, a distinguished international lawyer, diplomat, educator and authority on Cervantes, will be on the campus of Louisburg College at 8:00 p.m. on March 2 and 3, 1966, as a Danforth Visiting Lecturer in the College Auditorium.

A native of Columbia, Dr. Chaves attended the Instituto de la Salle and the Superior Normal School in Bogota, where he pursued studies in anthropology. He holds the degree of Doctor of Jurisprudence from the University of Bogota and Master of Arts and Doctor of Philosophy degrees from Columbia University in New York. In this country Dr. Chaves has represented Colombia as a diplomat in Washington and at the United Nations. As an educator he helped establish the first public high school in Bogota in 1941, and the first private university in Colombia—the University of the Andes—in 1948, becoming its first dean of the faculty.

Schools in the Franklin County system will operate Saturday of this week, to make up one of the days lost due to the snow. This will be the second Saturday schools have operated this year with one more to go. The County Board of Education set the first Saturday in February, March and April as makeup days.

The other four lost days are to be made up with three days cut from the four-day Easter holidays and one added to the end of the term.

Schools Open Saturday

The court now concludes as a matter of law: "1. That the United States Congress, while bound by the rule of Brown v. Board of Education, 347 U.S. 483 (1954),

Judge Denies Injunction, Rules Board Acted In Good Faith In School Plan

Judge Algernon Butler of the U. S. Eastern District Court denied a motion for a preliminary injunction prohibiting the Franklin County Board of Education from denying transfer of twenty Negro children to predominantly white schools last week. The ruling has met widespread approval in Franklin County.

The action was brought by a group of Negro parents in the county and the U. S. Department of Justice.

Schools Superintendent Warren W. Smith made no public statement, but he was obviously pleased with the ruling. Members of the Board and Attorney E. F. Yarborough seemed to be well pleased with the decision also.

Rev. Luther Coppedge, Negro minister and leader of the parents seeking the injunction, said this morning that he had "No Comment" when asked about the decision. No indication has been made as to whether or not the attorneys for the Negro parents or the Justice Department will appeal Judge Butler's ruling.

The decision, made last Thursday, was the first step in what is scheduled to be a full-scale attack on the Franklin County Freedom of Choice Plan of desegregation. The Negro group is seeking to tear down the plan and have the court order geographic zoning attendance areas.

Judge Butler's ruling upheld the Franklin County plan of compliance to the 1954 Civil Rights Act in all eleven categories. The Board, through Attorneys E. F. Yarborough of Louisburg and Irving Tucker of Raleigh, successfully defended all points contended by the plaintiffs.

The text of the ruling follows: "The court now concludes as a matter of law:

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Notice

The Franklin County Historical Society will meet Thursday, March 3, at 8:00 p.m. in the Conference Room at the First Citizens Bank & Trust Co. on Bickett Blvd. The program will be on the "Early Settlement of Louisburg."

yet cognizant of problems encountered in desegregation, intended by the Civil Rights Act of 1964 in effect racial desegregation in public schools over a reasonable period of time.

"2. That Congress invested HEW with a limited discretion to implement the intent of Congress by requiring a showing of good faith efforts to desegregate in order to qualify for federal aid.

"3. That HEW, exercising its discretion, has provided for the desegregation of public schools pursuant to the congressional mandate and has specifically approved the plan adopted by defendants.

"4. That defendants' plan effects total desegregation of public schools one year earlier

than the deadline set by HEW, and will give freedom of choice in all grades beginning in September 1966.

"5. That defendants have shown their good faith by providing for total desegregation one year earlier than required by HEW.

"6. That although the court does not sanction the failure of defendants to give proper notice of the criteria for lateral transfer, the conditions adopted by defendants were cited by HEW in its statement of policies which served as the guideline for defendants' plan, and which was available to the public.

"7. That plaintiffs did not base their request for lateral transfers upon either of the grounds See PLAN page 2

Bunn Man Enters Race For County Commissioner

A 40-year-old Bunn farmer, fertilizer dealer and real estate man has thrown his hat into the ring for County Commissioner from the First District composing Harris and Dunn Townships.

H. Derrell Mitchell, a native of Dunn Township, is the first to announce in the race for three seats on the County Board. He seeks the post now occupied by Mrs. Claude A. Arnold, who was appointed to fill the unexpired term of her late husband.

Mitchell, active in the Franklin Firemen's Association and Vice President of the organization, was Chairman of the Communications Committee, which instrumented the establishment of a county-wide fire alarm system two years ago.

He served twelve years as a member of the Town Board of Bunn prior to his retirement two years ago. He did not seek reelection to the post. He has been Chief of the Bunn Rural Fire Department since it was organized in 1960 and is presently serving on the County Better Roads Committee.

Mitchell, a member of the Bunn Baptist Church, stated in his announcement, "If elected I intend to serve without partiality to any group of people." He added, "I feel my twelve years' experience on the Bunn Town Board qualifies me for



H. Derrell Mitchell

this important county position. Mitchell also stated, "With the growth of Franklin County, I feel a representative from our section of the county is needed on the Board." Mitchell, a 1943 graduate of Bunn High School, is married to the former Frances Johnson of Dunn Township. They have two children, Ann 14, a 9th grader at Bunn, and Steve, 12, a sixth grader at Bunn.

The Democratic Primary is scheduled for May 28 this year. Already three candidates have announced for the 16th District House seat, and two have announced for Sheriff of the county.