

WEATHER

Partly cloudy and slightly warmer today and Friday. Low today, 55; high, 74.

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Franklin Towns Get \$27,635.59 In Powell Bill Funds

State Street Aid allocations totaling almost 10-million dollars will go to qualifying cities and towns in the State this year under provisions of the Powell Bill, State Highway Commission Chairman J. M. Hunt, Jr. said today.

Hunt said that 424 North Carolina towns and cities will receive proportional cash allotments amounting to \$9,959,054.78. Checks will be mailed from Raleigh the latter part of September so that they will reach the municipalities by October 1.

Four of the five municipalities in Franklin County will receive a total of \$27,635.59. Centerville, the newest town in the county has not yet qualified for Powell Bill funds.

Louisburg leads with an allotment of \$13,897.20 followed by Franklinton with \$8,246.61. Youngsville is getting \$3,890.79 and Bunn is to receive \$1,800.99.

Funds equal to the amount produced by one-half cent of the regular six-cents per gallon motor fuel tax levied

by the State are returned annually to participating municipalities in proportional shares based on relative non-state system street mileage and on the relative populations of each of the municipalities.

Towns and cities qualifying for participation do so by submitting detailed information each year to the Highway Commission concerning ad valorem taxes, other sources of revenue, budget ordinances and local elections. Some

legally incorporated towns do not participate in the Powell Bill Program simply because they do not perform the necessary municipal functions required under the law.

Under this year's allocation, Bunn, with a population of 332 gets \$861.62 on population increment. Bunn has 1.77 miles of certified non-system roads and gets \$939.25 mileage increment for a total of \$1,800.99.

Franklinton, with a population of 1,

513 gets \$3,927.13 as its population increment and with 8.14 miles of non-system roads gets \$4,319.48 as mileage increment for a total of \$8,246.61.

Louisburg gets \$7,428.59 population increment on its 2,862 persons and \$6,468.61 for its 12.19 non-system miles of roads for a total of \$13,897.20.

Youngsville is to receive \$1,546.97 for a population of 596 and \$2,143.82 for its 4.04 miles of non-system high-

ways for a total of \$3,690.79.

Chairman Hunt noted that the \$9,959,054.78 being returned to the 424 participating municipalities this year is more than twice the amount returned to 386 participating towns and cities at the beginning of the program in 1951.

During the 17 year history of the Powell Bill Program, a total of \$118,260,817.55 has been returned to the municipalities for use on local streets.

Rep. Fountain Accepts U. N. Appointment

Washington, D. C. -- Congressman L. H. Fountain said today "any American should be proud to be chosen to represent his country in the world forum of nations."

He was nominated today -- on the recommendation of the Chairman of the House Foreign Affairs Committee and the Speaker of the House -- by the President to be a member of the United States Delegation to the 22nd session of the United Nations General Assembly which opens September 19. The nomination must be confirmed by the Senate.

Fountain said that, while being selected for the task is a great honor, he views the assignment "with mixed emotions."

"Let me hasten to explain myself," he said. "Frequently during my 15 years in Congress I have expressed reservations about the United Nations, just as have many persons in the Second Congressional District of North Carolina and across the country."

"I had great hopes when the U. N. was first organized. Most Americans did. We were tired of war and destruction, just as we are tired of it today. We fervently wished the U.N. could help maintain a peaceful world."

Fountain said that "unfortunately our hopes did not come true. And over the years the minuses have seemed to out-

number the pluses. Several nations, including two of the big powers, the Soviet Union and France, still refuse to pay their share of the U. N. burdens while the United States pays far more than our fair share.

"With only one vote out of 122, we are footing the bill for almost one-third of the U.N. budget, and much of that money goes into international programs over which we have no control. Many of the new nations that became independent with our support often vote against us."

Fountain said that in spite of these U. N. "minuses," he remains a "possibilist" -- neither a pessimist nor an optimist -- about the future hopes of the U.N. as an instrument of world peace.

"The U.N. is the only worldwide forum where lines of communications are kept open between most countries, including friend and foe," he said.

"As one of the United Nations' long-time critics, therefore, I look upon this assignment as an opportunity to examine at first-hand American participation in the U.N.," Fountain said.

"Especially do I welcome this chance to see U.N. operations from an inside vantage point and to judge for myself how the U.N. serves the interests of the

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Prices Drop On Local, Middle Belt Market

Prices on the Louisburg Market and the entire Middle Belt dipped Wednesday below those reported for opening day and earlier this week. Tuesday's average on the Middle Belt was \$64.60, while the average for Tuesday and Wednesday on the Louisburg Market was somewhat higher.

For the two-day period Louisburg warehouses sold 766,494 pounds for \$504,198.76 and a two-day average of \$65.78.

The local market sold 1,132,832 pounds for the first three days, according to Sales Supervisor William Boone. The average for Thursday, Friday and Monday sales was \$68.01.

Tobacco continued to pour into Louisburg this morning and warehouse floors are filled. Truck loads were parked along Main Street awaiting a chance to get into the Friendly Four Warehouse; along Bickett Boulevard in line for the Big Franklin Warehouse and at Ford Village and Industry Drive they were lined up waiting space in Ford's Warehouse.

The Federal-State market News Service reported that on the Middle Belt, most grades of leaf and smoking leaf were down \$1 to \$3 per hundred pounds,

but lugs and primings were generally firm to \$1 higher.

Middle Belt sales Tuesday totaled 5,446,380 pounds and averaged \$64.60 per hundred, down \$2.18 from Monday. About 17.2 per cent of the sales went to the Stabilization Corporation under the government price support program.

On the Eastern Belt, there were a few gains and losses in prices by grades Wednesday but no trend was established. There was little change in quality and marketings consisted principally of fair and low leaf, fair lugs and nondescript.

Average prices for a limited number of grades on the Middle Belt:

Leaf--fair lemon 68, down 1; fair 59, down 1; poor variegated 54, down 3; low variegated mixed 52, down 2.

Smoking leaf--low variegated 65, down 2; poor variegated 61, down 3.

Lugs--fair lemon 72, unchanged; fair orange 72, up 1; low orange 70, unchanged.

Primings--fair lemon 71, up 1; fair orange, 70, unchanged; low orange 68, unchanged.

Nond-script--best (Priming side) 64, down 1; poorest 55, down 3.



Long Line As Prices Drop



Confer On Program

Franklin Schools Superintendent Warren W. Smith, left is shown above with Mr. L. A. Howes, Representative of the Motor Vehicles Department's Driver Education Program as the two discussed plans for a Defensive Driving Course to be taught in the county schools. Instruction begins Monday in every school in the system for juniors and seniors. Franklin is the first in the state to participate fully in the highway safety program. Staff photo by Clint Fuller.

Students To Get Defensive Driving Course In School

Juniors and seniors in every school in the Franklin County system are slated to get an 8-hour course in Defensive Driving starting Monday. The announcement was made jointly today by Superintendent Warren W. Smith and Mr. L. A. Howes, Driver Education Representative for the State Department of Motor Vehicles. The instruction will be given by Mr. Howes and Mr. Don Craft, also a Representative from the State Department.

Superintendent Smith said here Monday that every principal in the system had agreed to the program in a meeting last month. "We are in favor of doing all we can to aid in highway safety programs," the Superintendent said.

Franklin County schools are the first in the State to receive this instruction in all schools, according to Mr. Howes. The course will deal with defensive driving techniques and will be concentrated on the six positions of other cars in relation to the one's own, toward a collision. Howes listed these as (1) the car in front; (2) the car behind; (3) the car you are meeting; (4) the car on the side; (5) the car you are passing and (6) the car passing you.

North Carolina was first in the nation last March in the number of persons

To Attend CD Event

A group of local citizens, interested in Civil Defense, will attend a special field hospital display Sunday at Wilson. The group will fly to Wilson from the Louisburg Airport, leaving at 10:30 A.M.

The local Civil Air Patrol is scheduled to fly the locals to Wilson. The event is a joint project of the CAP and Civil Defense, according to Franklin Civil Defense Director George Champion, Jr., who will lead the group from Louisburg.

In addition to Champion, others planning to make the trip include Dr. John Vassey and Dr. John Lloyd, local physicians; Robert Hicks, State Trooper W. S. Etheridge and the CAP Pilots.

The group is expected to return to Louisburg late Sunday afternoon.

participating in the program. It now is ranked third and Howes said, "With the programs we have now, we expect to regain second and perhaps first place this year."

The successful program is in its second year nationwide and in its first in North Carolina. It is expected to take one month to complete in Franklin County schools. It will consist of two hours per school per week.

Teaching aids will be used which will include ten films, flip charts, flannel boards and blackboards, Howes says.

The Franklinton School system is not included in the current program, it was explained.

The program will be available to citizens in the Hickory Rock and White Level areas, and others willing to travel to Hickory Rock Baptist Church, where instruction will start Wednesday, October 4.

The Hickory Rock program will be held four successive Wednesday nights from 7:30 P.M. until 9:30 P.M.

ASCS Reminds Soybean Grower

Producers who planted soybeans on diverted or conserving base land are reminded that the beans must be turned under by September 15, 1967. Failure to do so will cause the land to be ineligible resulting in loss of government payment.

Producers who feel they will be unable to turn the beans by this date should request an extension of time to be filed with the County ASCS Office not later than September 15, 1967.

All producers who have not returned their ASC Committee election ballots should do so now. The ballot must be postmarked or returned not later than September 18, 1967. The certification on the reverse side of the envelope must be signed by the voter for the ballot to be counted.

The ballots will be publicly tabulated on Friday, September 22, 1967, at the ASCS Office in Louisburg. The County Convention will be held on September 27, 1967.

No Injuries Reported

Shots Fired Into Home Of School Suit Plaintiff

A shot was fired into the home of Rev. Luther Coppedge, one of the plaintiffs in the two-year-old Franklin County school suit, last night shortly after 9 o'clock, according to Sheriff William T. Dement.

Dement said the two pellets struck a roof eave about 15 feet above ground. Deputy Sheriff Dave Batten said the pellets apparently came from a 16 gauge shotgun and referred to the pellets as "rifled slugs".

Sheriff Dement said he was called around 9:15 p.m. on the incident at the Coppedge residence in the Justice Community and as he was preparing to leave to investigate, received a second call that an outdoor light had been shot at the home of Herbert Patterson, about three miles east of Louisburg on the River Road.

Dement said this morning that he did not believe the incidents were related, stating that Patterson had no children in school. Officers said the blast at the Patterson home, reported by neighbors, was apparently buckshot and not pellets as in the case at Justice.

Dement said that Mrs. Coppedge told him Wednesday night that she had noticed a car passing along a road some distance from the house. She reportedly said the car turned and returned and shot from a distance Dement described as being about 200 feet from the house. He said he did not see Rev. Coppedge at the home Wednesday night.

Batten reported this morning that he recovered a pellet inside the home and that he talked with Rev. Coppedge. He said that the civil rights leader told him, "I think if the Sheriff will kind of speak out against this, it will put a stop to it."

In reply, Sheriff Dement issued a statement later this morning in which he said, "I don't believe in violence. We will give this case a full investigation just as we would any other case, to the best of our ability."

School Board attorney E. F. Yarbrough, when informed of the incident, issued a statement on behalf of the Board of Education saying, "I want to study the federal court order further. Whatever action by the Board of Educa-

tion is required, the Board will do." The incidents, reported about five minutes apart took place at distances of about ten miles from each other. Dement described the incident at the Patterson home as the probable work of vandals and said his investigation of the Coppedge incident is continuing.

The federal court order, issued last month by Judge Algernon Butler, Chief Judge of the U. S. Eastern District Court states:

"Within their authority school officials are responsible for the protection of persons exercising rights under or otherwise affected by this decree, or any plan approved pursuant to this decree. They shall, without delay, take appropriate steps with regard to any student, parent, teacher or staff member who interferes with the successful operation of the plan. Such interference shall include harassment, intimidation, threats, hostile words or acts, and similar behavior. The Board, including each member thereof, shall not publish or cause to be published the names or addresses of pupils assigned to any school, nor the names or addresses of their parents. If officials of the school system are not able to provide sufficient protection, they shall seek whatever assistance is necessary from the appropriate local, state or federal officials."



L. C. HASTY

Named To Commission

L.C. Hasty, local Farm Bureau manager and former assistant farm agent, was named today by Clerk of Court Ralph Knott, as a member of the Jury Commission. In making the announcement, Knott said he felt fortunate that a man of Hasty's qualifications had agreed to serve in this capacity.

Hasty, who serves on the Louisburg School Advisory Council, is the third and final member of the Commission. Earlier, Franklinton businessman Napier Williamson was named by Resident Superior Court Judge Hamilton and Pearce's store operator J.W. Perry, Jr. was appointed by the Board of County Commissioners.

The Commission, by law, must meet in October and the new jury system begins on January 1, 1968.

The law provides for the resident judge, the Commissioners and the Clerk to appoint one member each.

Hasty is a Methodist, a native of Scotland county and has resided here for a number of years. He presently serves as a member of the Board of Directors of Green Hill Country Club.

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