

Inaugurations Not A Big Thing Here

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When Richard M. Nixon mounts the platform Monday and takes the oath of office as the new President of the United States, it will likely raise only a "Ho hum" here. It is, perhaps, not so much that locals aren't interested in their government, but that what goes on in Washington, D. C. fails to stir action this far away.

With the advent of television, more locals will, however, have the opportunity to view the proceedings.

And while, this complacency continues, there is some signs that it might be losing its grip. In 1913, when Woodrow Wilson was inaugurated, accounts of the affair were almost non-existent here. The Times reported that the County Commissioners met, that J. M. Allen was named to replace W. H. Allen as town tax collector and Jake Spire was opening a fresh meat market.

When Wilson was sworn for his second term in 1917, there was more notice taken. This was, perhaps, due to the fact that World War I was in progress. However, the big news here even then was that the Mills School 6th grade boys would take the affirmative side and the girls would take the negative in a debate on which was more beneficial, the railroad or the steamboat. A Franklin native, Thomas W. Bickett was being sworn as Governor that year. Even that seemingly failed to make it a big thing.

When Warren Harding was inaugurated on March 4, 1921, the big news here was that Champ Davis had died after 26 years in the Congress and that there was to be a "box party" and a moving picture at Mt. Grove School. Instead of a picture of Harding, The Times' front page carried one of the late Albert J. Joyner, Chairman of the Board of County Commissioners, and

the late C. C. Hudson, a member of the Board.

Then came Calvin Coolidge, being elected in 1924 after succeeding to the Presidency following the death of Harding in 1923. The big news here was that the Louisville train had wrecked about three miles from town "in front of the Wiley Holmes place". No one was hurt. A new Trinity Church building contract was let, N. M. Perry was paid \$25 by the county for sheep killed by a dog and the local theater was showing an Andy Gump cartoon. Old Cal was lost in all that news.

By 1929, however, locals had gotten into the swing of things and an elaborate report was distributed on the inauguration of Herbert Hoover. It told of the new President standing bare-headed in the rain and with water dripping from his head leaning over to kiss the Bible after taking the oath. "The parade was the most brilliant the Capital had seen in twenty years", it said. But through it all, the headline announcing that Jack Sharkey had defeated a fellow from Georgia named Stribling was several times bolder than the one drawn by the Hoover inauguration.

But Franklin County and North Carolina had learned many things by 1933 and when Franklin D. Roosevelt rose to take the oath, his picture covered a fourth of the front page of The Times. He did, however, share the front page with other worthwhile events such as the opening of a new A & P Store and Louisville's 17-16 basketball win over Franklinton for the county championship.

Harry Truman's inauguration in 1949 "was possibly the biggest inauguration in history", according to the articles reported here but of equal

significance was the announcement that the Judge C. M. Cooke residence was being moved to make room for Franklin Memorial Hospital.

Then came the Dwight Eisenhower years and this, too, was well covered here as he pledged in 1953 "Peace with Honor". Then State Senator Hamilton Hobgood was offering a bill in the General Assembly calling for a mandatory jail sentence for drunk drivers and a group of school students were planning a "Ho-Bo" day to earn money doing odd jobs. Miss Martha Freeman was taking the calls.

John Kennedy and Lyndon Johnson were inaugurated with many locals viewing the proceedings by television. Neither received any undue coverage in the local newspaper.

And now, Richard M. Nixon. Most local citizens will view some part of the inauguration on television, hear some parts by radio and, or read some accounts of it in their newspapers. Most, however, will probably be, as were their predecessors, occupied with other nearer and more personal things. But, all will maintain some interest in what the new President does. We've come a long way since the 1913 inauguration and while, it still is not considered such a big thing here, most of us are well aware of its importance.

College

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gram, from January 28, 1963 until she resigned from this position effective March 31, 1967, to devote full time to the field of social welfare policy.

Dr. Winston had served as Commissioner of Public Welfare for the State of North Carolina for almost 18 years before coming to her federal position. She was named to that post in 1944 after four years as head of the department of sociology and economics at Meredith College, Raleigh, North Carolina.

During this period of long service to her home state, Dr. Winston worked extensively with both national and state social welfare agencies and achieved wide recognition for her contributions to the public welfare field.

'Canes Win At Chesapeake

Torrid second half shooting propelled the Louisville College Hurricanes over Chesapeake's Cougars 104-87 last night at Chesapeake. The 'Canes, down 42-43 at the half, hit on 26 of 36 second half shots in an excellent team effort that overcame the brilliant one man show put on by Chesapeake's Earl Brown who hit on 14 of 21 from the floor and 9 of 10 from the foul line for a total of 37 points for the game.

The 'Canes placed five men in double figures led by Dick Driver with 23. Driver hit on 10 of 12 shots from the floor and 3 for 3 from the line. Larry Paschall dropped in 19 points and had 12 assists as he constantly hit Driver and Terry Davis underneath the basket. Davis had 15 points and 23 rebounds in one of his best efforts this year. John Lewis hit on 9 of 13 shots from the floor for 18 points and Bob Walker added 16 points to round out the best offensive show for the 'Canes since the holiday break.

Louisburg dominated the boards at both ends of the court, pulling down 53 rebounds to 24 for the Cougars. Driver hit on seven straight shots, four in the first half

and three in the second half before he missed. His shooting plus the sparkling passing of Paschall keyed the 'Canes' second half effort that produced 72% accuracy from the floor. They shot 58% for the game.

Louisburg's record now stands at 10 wins and four losses. The next game is Monday night in Holton Gymnasium when the 'Canes host Albemarle in a conference game. Game time is 7:45.

Rams Hit Louisville

The Franklinton Rams played cat and mouse with Louisville Monday as they grabbed an easy 74-33 conference victory. Haywood Lawrence led Franklinton with 20 points and Thomas Finch paced the Bulldogs. The Rams JV's downed the Louisville juniors in the opening contest.

FRANKLINTON 74, LOUISBURG 33
Franklinton 12 22 31-74
Louisburg 9 17 12-33
Franklinton: Brodie 15, Fogg 8, Berkham 9, Lawrence 20, Eakes 6, Davis 7, W. Collins 4, M. Collins 2, Phelps 3, Watson.
Louisburg: Edgerton 5, Finch 11, Wrenn 8, McDonald 4, Woodspod 2, May 1, Dement, Parnell, Perry.

Bunn Upsets Youngsville

Youngsville - Bunn broke a 55-55 third quarter tie with defending state 1-A champs Youngsville here Tuesday night, posting a 77-71 win over the Youngsville squad.

Basketball Note

Gold Sand will be at Louisville for a doubleheader basketball game Friday night, according to an announcement today by Coach Tommy Twitty. The game was not listed on the regular schedule.

LOUISBURG

| | FG | FT-FM | TP |
|----------|----|-------|----|
| Davis | 6 | 7-3 | 15 |
| Bowden | 0 | 4-0 | 0 |
| Driver | 10 | 3-3 | 23 |
| Walker | 7 | 2-2 | 16 |
| Lewis | 9 | 0-0 | 18 |
| Lynch | 2 | 0-0 | 4 |
| Wilson | 2 | 3-2 | 6 |
| Paschall | 8 | 7-3 | 19 |
| Rawlings | 0 | 0-0 | 0 |
| Rodgers | 0 | 1-1 | 1 |
| Frazier | 0 | 0-0 | 0 |
| Ripley | 1 | 0-0 | 2 |

CHESAPEAKE

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|---------|----|------|----|
| Hopkins | 6 | 0-0 | 12 |
| Brown | 14 | 10-9 | 37 |
| Oliver | 4 | 7-3 | 11 |
| Hale | 1 | 2-2 | 4 |
| Mordica | 3 | 4-2 | 8 |
| Athur | 6 | 5-3 | 15 |

A Good Chance

Two somewhat intoxicated gentlemen were standing near the water's edge when one lost his balance and fell in. "Help! Help!" called out the unfortunate one as he floundered about. "I can't swim a stroke."

"Whash you hollerin' about?" asked the other, as he found a comfortable spot and sat down to watch. "You gotta fine chansh 'I learn, ain't you?"

Coeds Use Studies

Chicago—Two coeds attending Mundelein College protected themselves from an intruder using their major course—psychology. The armed intruder settled for a kiss from each and a three-hour interview. The police arrested a convicted rapist who had been released from prison in April.

Penny Found Twice

Hollywood, Fla.—Years ago Mrs. Mary MacMahon, a widow, found a penny and wrapped it in a note explaining where it was found. Recently it was found again in the 67-year-old widow's bedroom, after her death, stashed away with \$1.5-million fortune in cash, stocks and jewelry.

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Gold Sand Loses To Wakelon

The Wakelon Bulldogs took a 57-49 conference decision from the Gold Sand Blue Devils Tuesday night. Dewey Perry led the losers with 16 points. Wakelon was led by Tommy Massey and Jamie Pearce, each with 14 points.

WAKELON 57, GOLD SAND 49
Gold Sand 13 8 24-49
Wakelon 11 13 23-57
GOLD SAND: Perry 16, Rapland 2, Bowers 16, Austin 12, Wright 4, Wardwick 2.
WAKELON: Massey 14, Byrd 9, Pearce 14, Gillespie 8, Price 4, Privette 4, Hopkins 2, Temple 2.

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