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Congressman Touring County Today

Second District Congressman L. H. Fountain is touring the county today in keeping with his long-standing policy of visiting the communities in his district and talking with the people. Photo above shows the Congressman with supporters as he visited Pilot this morning from 8:30 to 9:00 A.M. Pictured, left to right are: Clinton Carlyle of Pilot, who planned the Pilot tour; Conrad Sturges, Louisburg attorney; Congressman Fountain and Louisburg attorney, Charles Davis. Sturges and Davis are accompanying the lawmaker on his countywide tour which will end in Louisburg this afternoon at 5 P.M.

College Starts 183rd Year Sunday

On August 24 freshmen will arrive to begin their orientation program as Louisburg College opens its doors for the 183rd year of operation. Total enrollment at the college for the 1969-70 academic year will be over 800. This enrollment figure is reflected in the record budget of \$1,542,305.

With the beginning of the new academic year the college has employed four new professors, one administrator, and two house counselors. The new members of the faculty are: Mrs. Marjatta Amein, Dr. Howard B. Clay, Miss Patricia Keel, Mr. James Lanier, Jr., and Miss Jean Walston.

Mrs. Amein, of Raleigh, will be an instructor of chemistry. She received her B.S. degree from Radford College and M.S. degree from Cornell University.

Dr. Clay, who has retired from East Carolina University where he has served as a member of the History Department since 1948, holds A.B. and M.A. degrees from Emory University, and the Ph.D. degree from the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill.

Miss Keel, of Robersonville, will be employed in the Foreign Language Department where she will be an instructor in French. She has an A.B. degree from the University of North Carolina, Greensboro, and M.A. degree from Appalachian State University. For the past five years she has taught at the John Graham High School, Warrenton.

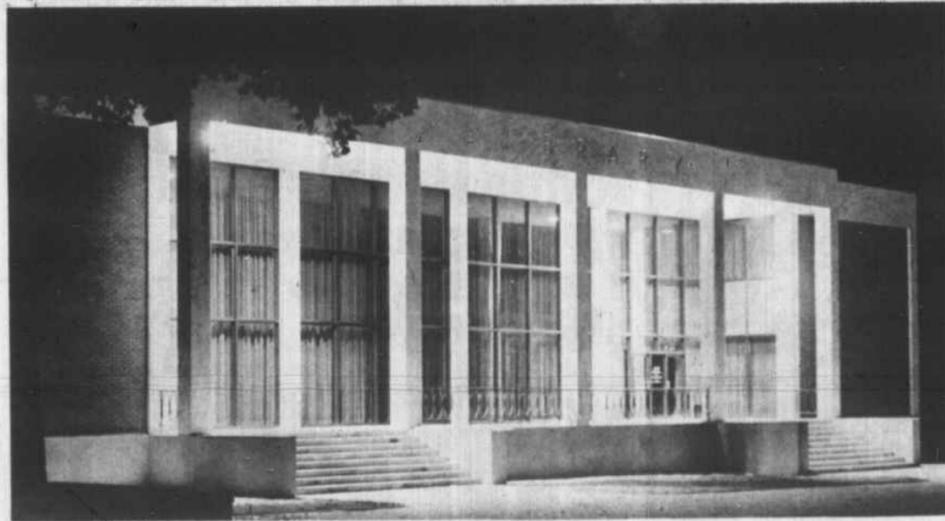
Mr. Lanier, of Elm City, will serve as instructor in recreation and physical education. Mr. Lanier is a 1967 graduate of Louisburg College. He has an A.B. degree from East Carolina University, where he is completing work for his M.Ed. degree. He and his wife, the former Ann Pearce of Franklinton, live at 108 Person Street.

A new member of the administration is Miss Jean Walston, who is the Dean of Women. Miss Walston, a graduate of Peabody Conservatory of

Music, is a native of Elizabeth City, but has lived in Chapel Hill during the past few years where she taught piano. She has master's degrees in International Relations and Political Science and in Student Personnel Ser-

VICES. Miss Walston resides at 101 Beam Circle.

New house counselors are Mrs. Pearl R. Johnson of Middlesex for Merritt Hall and Mrs. Elizabeth G. Duke of Rocky Mount for Kenan Hall.



Cecil W. Robbins Library

OEO Gets \$487,262 In Federal Funds

W. Astor Kirk, director of the Mid-Atlantic region OEO, has informed officials of Franklin-Vance-Warren Opportunity, Inc., that Governor Robert Scott notified the regional office of his consent to a grant to the local agency in the amount of \$87,262. The amount \$393,246 of this grant will be used to operate centers for 360 children in the three counties.

The Head Start program will deal with a wide range of problems of area children and their families. Enrollees will receive free health and dental examinations and follow-up treatment for defects discovered. Two hot meals will be served daily without charge to children, and social and psychological services will be provided to those children with a need for them.

The program will enroll 15 children in each of 24 classes. These classes, it was said, aim to "create an atmosphere of love and concern which will make the centers a happy place for the children and their families." A variety of equipment and materials are on hand for exploration and use.

Head Start personnel hope to have the support and cooperation of the total community. The program is based on the philosophy that through cooperative efforts, a community can meet the needs of all children. The "volunteer" services of many persons are needed. Three adults are desired in each classroom daily, one of which will be a volunteer. People of all walks of life are invited to help.

Pre-school aged children will be

selected for the program on the basis of need, with children nearest to compulsory school age receiving preference. Family income will be used to determine eligibility without regard to race, creed, color, or national origin. Distribution of children in the three counties are as follows: 135 in Warren county, 120 in Vance county, and 105 in Franklin county.

The program space will not be confined to Head Start classrooms and

Strickland Is UNC Professor

Dr. Wm D. Strickland of the University of North Carolina School of Dentistry faculty has been promoted to the rank of Professor of the Department of Operative Dentistry.

Strickland joined the UNC faculty in 1956 as an instructor in the School of Dentistry.

Strickland is now responsible for the dental assistant utilization clinic and has lecture and clinical teaching in the department of operative dentistry, in the University's Division of Health Sciences.

A graduate of Wake Forest College, Strickland received the DDS degree from University of North Carolina in 1956.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Strickland of Noble St., Louisburg, N. C.

Board Acts In Executive Session

Total Integration Plan Approved, Franklinton School Opening Postponed

The Franklinton City Board of Education, meeting in executive session Tuesday night, adopted a plan previously announced for the coming school year and which has recently been approved by the Department of Health, Education and Welfare.

The executive session was held in order for the Board to discuss with State Deputy Attorney General Andrew A. Vanore, Jr. the possibility of operating the Franklinton schools

on the 1968-69 plan. The conclusion, according to a reliable source, was that such operation would be impossible.

The plan adopted by the Board and approved by HEW calls for grades one through five to be housed at Franklinton Elementary School and grades six through twelve to be housed at Franklinton High School.

The opening of schools was postponed from the original date of August 27, for pupil-teacher orientation to the new date of September 2

for this purpose. The first of the 180-day schedule is set for September 3. It was explained that the postponement is due to the labor situation in the tobacco crop harvest.

Bruce Honeycutt, a member of the Board, said of the plan Wednesday, "We decided that it would be better to go with this plan from the beginning of the year than to try to start with another plan and have to disrupt the children's education in the middle of the year." The Board is understood to have wanted to continue freedom of choice in grades one through nine as it did last year but was advised that this would be impossible. It was also found, according to reports, that it was impossible to establish a junior high school at the Elementary School site because of lack of adequate classroom space.

S. Brodie Green, Vice Chairman of the Board presided as temporary chairman Wednesday night. Rubert Pearce, Jr., Chairman of the Board resigned recently and a new chairman has not been named.

Roy L. Holland, Burlington Industries weaving supervisor was appointed to fill the unexpired term of Pearce. Holland, who has lived in Franklinton for the past four years, is married and the father of three children. He is a former school teacher and principal.

Centerville Cases To Be Aired Monday

Charges against three Centerville men brought in eleven warrants will be heard in District Court here Monday, according to reports. Tyree Lancaster, County Dog Warden, will face four charges; his son, Jerry Lancaster is charged in one warrant with simple assault, and a brother, James Lancaster will face six charges. Four of the assault charges against James Lancaster are felonies.

The three were charged with assaulting several young men early last Sunday morning following a fracas at Centerville reportedly brought on when about 25 youths gathered for what was described as a session of drag racing between Centerville and Wood. When attempts to contact the State Highway Patrol failed, the Lancasters reportedly took it upon themselves to break up the session.

Two youths were injured. James S. Finch, Jr. was shot in the back with a shotgun and Elmer C. Griffin, Jr. received a head wound and a broken arm when struck by a shotgun. One other youth was allegedly struck in the face and still another was reportedly nicked on the arm by a shotgun pellet while riding in one of the cars. Charges were brought by the youths in the case. Finch and Bobby Debnam, whose car was damaged by shotgun pellets, have been charged with careless and reckless driving.

Rites Held For Victim

Woman Charged With Setting Fire To Husband

Mrs. Grace Murray Garner of Creedmoor was jailed in Oxford Tuesday and charged with murder in the fire death of her husband William Howard Garner, 38, of Franklinton. Garner died Monday in Veterans' Hospital in Durham from burns received at the couple's home in Creedmoor on July 13.

According to reports at the time of the incident, Garner reportedly told officers that his wife threw alcohol on him while he was in bed and set him on fire. Mrs. Garner denied the charges, the report says, and contended that she was standing outside the house under the carport when her husband ran out of the house with his clothing on fire. Garner suffered sixty percent burns over his body and was hospitalized after Creedmoor police and firemen arrived at the home around 10 A.M.

Mrs. Garner was also admitted to Granville Hospital. Granville Sheriff J. C. Cash was called to the hospital where Garner allegedly told that his wife had poured the contents on a bottle of rubbing alcohol on him and the bed and ignited it with a match. Cash said that almost every portion of Garner's body was covered with bandages when he saw him.

The following day, reports say, that Cash said he planned to make a formal

charge against Mrs. Garner, mother of three children by a previous marriage. However, after conferring with Solicitor W. H. S. Burgwyn filing of charges was delayed. One report said that in the event that Garner did not survive his injuries, "county authorities may bring indictment based on information and belief." An Oxford source confirmed Wednesday that formal charges have been lodged against Mrs. Garner.

Garner was scheduled to appear in Granville court the day following the incident at his home to face charges of assault with a deadly weapon with intent to kill Thomas W. Dickerson. The charges grew out of a shooting incident on July 31, 1968, according to reports. Garner also had a case pending in District Court involving an alleged assault on his wife, the report says.

Funeral services for Garner were held Wednesday afternoon from Sandling Funeral Home Chapel at Franklinton conducted by Rev. Ronald F. King. Burial followed in Brassfield Baptist Church cemetery in Granville County. Surviving, in addition to his wife, are: his father, Mortimer R. Garner; three brothers, John, Robert and Roger Garner of Rt. 3, Wake Forest; two sisters, Mrs. Shirley Marshall of Louisburg and Mrs. Nora McKeighan of Greenville, S. C.

Franklinton Man Injured In Wreck

Sidney Seal, 23, of Franklinton was injured in a single car accident on US-1 near Neuse Cross Roads Sunday morning around 3:30 A.M., according to reports. His condition was listed as satisfactory Wednesday.

According to reports, Seal was driving north when his car went out of control on a curve and ran off the road, swerved back on the highway and went broadside into a traffic island, struck a couple of poles in a service station lot and demolished a telephone booth. State Trooper K. A. Cook was quoted as saying Seal was "running at least 100 miles an hour" in his opinion. Seal suffered head injuries and abrasions and lacerations. The car was a total loss and the Franklinton man has been charged with traveling too fast for conditions, according to reports.



Courthouse Open House Sunday

The County Courthouse will be open Sunday afternoon between the hours of 2 to 6 P.M. for those who have not had an opportunity to visit the renovated facility. Those who have already seen the inside of the structure are also invited to attend the open house and to take a tour of the courthouse. Tours will be conducted by personnel working in the various county agencies in the courthouse. No formal ceremonies are planned for the long-delayed event, but officials are hopeful a large number of people will take the opportunity to tour the modernized county facility.