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... clerk of court



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Bart Burgwyn
... clerk of court



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... Recorders Court judge



Millard A. Lane
... recorders court judge



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... 1st dist. commissioner



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... 1st dist. commissioner



David E. Gay
... 4th dist. commissioner



John W. Feison
... 4th dist. commissioner



Charles DeLoatch, Jr.
... state representative



C. Melvin Creecy
... state representative

-Democratic Primary Saturday-

Moment Of Decision Is Near

By BOB FRINK

JACKSON — A moment of decisions comes Saturday for Northampton County voters as they venture to the polls to cast their ballots in the Democratic Primary with choices to make in races for seven political positions.

Northampton County Board of Elections Chairman Russell Johnson, Jr., has forecast a record turnout of voters for the primary which will be a real test of the vote strength gained by

Negroes in recent registration drives.

Johnson told "Your Home Newspaper" that he expects "an estimated 6,700 to 7,000" voters to cast their ballots Saturday.

Polls will be open from 6:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. according to Johnson.

Voters will be given two ballots. One is for United States Senator and contains the name of incumbent B. Everett Jordan and his opponent, Hubert E. Sey-

mour, Jr. A choice between the two must be made and only one square marked.

The second ballot contains the names of candidates for State Senator, Representative and county officers. Voters may vote for two of the four candidates running for State Senator from the First Senatorial District and for two of the four running for State House of Representatives from the Sixth District.

On the district level, a North-

ampton voter will cast his vote for four candidates, (two for state senators and two for representatives) with only one county resident in the races.

Northampton County has no one in the race for senator but does have C. Melvin Creecy, a Negro minister and county civil rights leader, in the race for one of two seats allotted the Sixth District in the House.

Representative J. Raynor

Woodard who represented Northampton County for nine sessions and four special terms prior to reapportionment, is not seeking re-election.

In the Senate race, Northamptonians will vote for two of four candidates. Seeking the office are incumbents J. Emmett Winslow of Hertford and J. J. (Monk) Harrington of Lewiston, C. D. (Keppe) Ferrell of Elizabeth City and Representative George M. Wood of Camden.

Two Hertford County residents and one Bertie Countian and Creecy are included in the race for the two seats in the House awarded the Sixth District composed of Northampton, Bertie and Hertford Counties.

Former State Senator Perry Martin filed for one of the House seats earlier but later dropped out. With Martin out of the race and (See DECISION, Page 12)



H. C. Guthrie
... 5th dist. commissioner

Election Results Available

RICH SQUARE—For those interested in the latest developments concerning election returns, the Rich Square office of the Northampton County Times-News will be open from 6:30 p.m. until all the precincts have reported.

For those Northamptonians who find it more convenient to journey to Conway, Russell Johnson, chairman of the Northampton County Board of Elections, says that loud speakers will be placed outside his office and results will be made available as they are reported to him.

A chart showing up-to-the-minute reports will be located in the window of the Times-News office in Rich Square and persons interested can also call LE 9-2859.



Roberts H. Jernigon
... state representative



Emmett W. Burden
... state representative



James H. Jones
... 5th dist. commissioner

Private School Charter Awarded County Group

CONWAY — A charter has been granted to Northeast Academy, A Christian School, Inc., and the group has been incorporated by the office of the Secretary of State to operate a private school in Northampton County.

Although a separate organization, the Northeast Academy is a direct result of the work of the Northampton County Independent's Club.

Russell and Bruce Johnson, Conway attorneys, drew up papers for the group and the charter was approved last week.

According to incorporation papers, the academy will come under the "Non-Profit Corporation Act."

J. R. Pruden, who is president of the Independent's Club, is agent for the corporation.

According to Russell Johnson, who as well as being attorney for the organization, is also a member of the Northeast Academy Board of Trustees, the group has obtained options on the old Lasker school building and the organization has agreed to buy the property.

Johnson also told "Your Home Newspaper" that a survey is now under way to find students interested in attending the academy.

Incorporators of the academy are Charlie W. Vann of Conway, H. R. Howell, Sr., of Seaboard and E. C. Bryant of Jackson.

According to the incorporation papers, the objects behind the development of a private school are:

(1) To conduct an institution or institutions of learning for the general education of youth in the essentials of culture and its arts and sciences, giving special emphasis to the Christian religion and the ethics revealed in the Holy scriptures.

(2) To acquire, operate and maintain schools, to employ teachers and other persons necessary for the operation thereof; to charge and collect tuition; to borrow money and to issue notes and bonds.

(3) To purchase or otherwise acquire books, supplies, equipment, fixtures or any other property or materials that the Board of Trustees of this organization deem to be needed by any school or schools operated by it.

(4) To organize, conduct and carry on various plans and undertakings for the general improvement of educational facilities and instructions in the schools operated by it.

(5) To grant scholarship aid to worthy persons as the Board of Trustees may elect.

(6) To engage generally in charitable activities for the benefit of the residents of northeastern North Carolina with emphasis on education, cultural development, Christian training, recreation and health services.

(7) To receive gifts of real or personal property in fee simple, life estate or leasehold estates, by deed, will, lease or in any other manner by which ownership of real or personal property may pass from one to another.

(8) To lease, rent, purchase, own, operate, encumber and convey real or personal property for its own use or for the purposes of obtaining an income from any accumulated funds. (See AWARDED, Page 6)

County Court Convicts 17 For Speeding

JACKSON — Speed limit violators were of major concern in Northampton County Recorder's Court Wednesday with 17 persons being fined by Judge Ballard S. Gay.

There was only one non-traffic case heard by Gay during the short session of court and in that case three brothers were found not guilty in an assault on a female case.

Katis Vaughan, Magnolia N. Vaughan and Lucious Vaughan were charged by Marjorie Vaughan with assaulting her but Judge Gay found the trio not guilty as charged.

In the only other non-speeding case heard by Judge Gay Thomas E. Newsome, 47, of Jackson was convicted of driving under the influence and given a six-month suspended sentence. He was also placed on 12-months probation and made to pay \$100 and court costs.

Speeding cases heard by Judge (See COURT, Page 6)

Northampton County Schools Slate Graduation Exercises

JACKSON — The Northampton County school system will award 407 diplomas in commencement exercises scheduled for early June at five county high schools.

Class night activities have already been staged or will be conducted in the next few days at all schools.

Largest of the 1966 graduating classes is the Northampton County High School class with 129 scheduled to receive diplomas.

Gumberry will award 125, W. S. Creecy 79, Willis Hare 46 and Gaston 28.

Following is a run down of the graduation-connected events being planned at the various county schools.

W. S. Creecy — Commencement exercises will be held June 3, 1966 at 2 p.m. in the school's auditorium at the Creecy senior class.

The class motto is "Learn From the Past, Live in the Present, Prepare for the Future."

Dr. Rose Butler Browne, professor emeritus of education, N. C. College at Durham will address the Creecy graduates. Valdeictorian Ethan Lamarr Pierce and salutatorian Thoyd Melton are also scheduled to address their classmates during the graduation exercises.

Pierce will talk in reference to the "Hills of Difficulty" touching on the many obstacles still facing today's high school graduate.

Melton's talk is titled "The Lamp is Lit" and is in reference to education being the path lighter for the trip through life.

Officers of the Creecy senior class are Thoyd Melton, president; Brenda Boyce, secretary; and Carolyn Casterlow, treasurer.

Advisors for the class are Mrs. D. S. Majett and J. E. Pelam. Northampton County "Youth Surveys the Future" will be discussed by six of the 14 top seniors at the graduation exercises of the Northampton County High School Monday, June 6, at 8:00 p.m.

Rev. James F. Burks of Suffolk will deliver the baccalaureate sermon, Sunday, June 5, at 8:00 p.m. Gayle Vinson will give the invocation, Sandra Edwards will read the Scripture, Sarah Stephenson will introduce the (See EXERCISES, Page 3)

NCHS Boys Drown In Gravel Pit Sunday

MARGARETTSVILLE — Steve Joyner, senior at Northampton County High School, and Billy Hoggard, sophomore, both of Woodland, were drowned Sunday while swimming in a gravel pit near here.

Young Joyner, who was due to graduate June 6, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Joyner and was a star pitcher for his school's baseball team.

Hoggard, son of Mr. and Mrs. Morrison Hoggard, was a member of the football team.

According to investigating authorities, the two attempted to swim the 150-foot wide Bottoms Gravel Pit in 10-foot deep water.

Joyner's body was recovered by companions within minutes and Hoggard's body was brought up three hours later by the Roanoke Valley Rescue Squad of Roanoke Rapids.

Final rites for Hoggard will be conducted Tuesday at 2:30 p.m.

in the Woodland Baptist Church with the Rev. Emanuel Pegram and the Rev. Arden Bartley conducting the services.

Burial was in the Woodland Cemetery.

Survivors other than Hoggard's parents are two brothers, Jesse Denton and Cameron M.; three sisters, Shirley Anne, Ethel Mae and Julia Faye, all of the home; and maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Flanagan of Como.

Funeral services for Robert Stevens Joyner were held at 3 p.m. Wednesday at Pleasant Grove Baptist Church near Aulander. The Rev. Arden M. Bartley officiated. Burial was in Woodland Cemetery. Surviving are parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph B. Joyner; one sister, Sallie Marie Joyner, and one brother, Dennis Day Joyner, all of the home.

Independent Club Meets Friday Night

JACKSON — The Northampton County Independent's Club is scheduled to meet Friday at 8 p.m. in the Jackson Lions Club at Jackson.

Plans for aiding in the registration of students for a private school are expected to be aired at the meeting.

Although the club is not directly connected with The Northeast Academy, A Christian School, Inc., which has acquired a charter to operate a private school, the group originally created the idea and are eyed as prime backers of the corporation.



DAYDREAMING — Miss Barbara Ricks, on honor student, is among the 129 seniors scheduled to receive diplomas from Northampton County High School during commencement exercises. With graduation day drawing closer and summer coming on, it is difficult indeed for Barbara

and other seniors to keep their minds on studies. Just what the pretty young miss is daydreaming about as she pretends to study is a mystery. A good guess would be graduation, the beach, picnics, summer rides and of course entering college next fall.