

## BILLY LANCASTER WINS FIRST PLACE IN TIMES POPULAR BABY CONTEST

Emily Nell Dean Gives Winner Stiff Competition During Six Week Drive To Finish In Second Place At Final Count. All Contestants Show Fine Spirit.

### REPORT OF ADVISORY BOARD

We, the undersigned, hereby declare the below mentioned babies, winners in the FRANKLIN TIMES Popular Baby Contest and authorize the FRANKLIN TIMES to pay the parents or representatives of the below mentioned babies the awards not later than Monday, March 6th.

- T. K. STOCKARD, HAMILTON HOBGOOD, T. MORTIMER HARRIS.
- Billy Lancaster, 5,456,700 votes, \$150.00 and Loving Cup.
- Emily Nell Dean, 4,502,000 votes, \$75.00.
- Frances Anne Timberlake, 4,452,700 votes, \$25.00.
- Joyce Spencer, 2,115,000 votes, \$15.00.
- Betsy Ross Bunn, 948,000 votes, \$10.00.
- Arch Perry Read, 684,700 votes, \$5.00.
- Shirley Ann Bunn, 507,000 votes, \$5.00.

Billy Lancaster wins. Emily Nell Dean was the runner up.

When the big ballot box was opened Saturday night at the contest headquarters and when all the subscriptions and merchant coupons were counted and recounted by the board of distinguished judges—Judge Hobgood, Postmaster Harris and T. K. Stockard it was found that Billy Lancaster, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Lancaster, was the winner if \$150.00 cash and the beautiful silver loving cup.

Billy when seen later, was too surprised and pleased to make any statement for publication, but he was obviously very much taken with the cup which is as big as he is. Mrs. Lancaster expressed her appreciation for the awards and stated that she felt the contest was conducted very fairly. She asked that the TIMES thank all her friends who helped Billy finish first.

However, Emily Nell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Elmo Dean lost the first award by Saturday night's count and won second position of \$75.00.

Another contestant who was near the top during the contest was Frances Ann, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Timberlake. She, too, was a close contender right up to the close and finished in third place, winning \$25.00. The fourth award of \$15.00 was won by Joyce Spencer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Spencer.

Fifth place and \$10.00 in cash was won in the final three days by Betsy Ross, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Bunn.

Sixth place was won by Arch Perry, son of Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Read; seventh place by Shirley Ann, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Bunn.

In closing our baby contest, the TIMES desires to thank the parents of all the contestants whose fine work made the contest possible, the many merchants whose co-operation permitted the campaign to be a success; L. M. Fry of M. L. Merritt and Associates who conducted the campaign; the able and distinguished judges; and last, but by no means least the babies themselves who have been fine sports throughout the contest.

It is with a great deal of pride that this paper announces the acquisition of 300 new subscribers. In adding this number to our already large circulation, we are pleased to announce that in Louisville alone, we will go into four hundred homes. This makes this paper a real value to advertisers and our merchants have no complaint to make on the circulation we can now afford them.

Going into four hundred homes of the town assures our advertisers that the people of Louisville can now be reached by this paper. It is with pleasure we welcome our new readers, many of whom have subscribed for 5 years duration. We want to assure our readers that our columns are open to them for any items that will be of interest to them. We do not pretend to print the largest or best paper in the world, as our business does not warrant a paper of this kind, but we do print a nice little home paper, covering the territory in which we circulate thoroughly.

**AN APPRECIATION**  
The response to the Tag Day was most encouraging, and the Franklin County Library Association wishes to express thanks to those contributing, and also to the Boy Scouts listed below who volunteered their services to this civic enterprise: Hubert Harris, Edgar Lee Perry, Eaton Holden, Harold Kent, and Hugh Perry. Mrs. Clifford Hall.

### FIRST PRIZE WINNER



BILL, 4 Years  
Son of Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Lancaster, Louisburg.

### OUR BABY CONTEST

A little more than six weeks ago THE TIMES announced a baby contest, with a purpose in mind of stimulating business and creating community interest and activity throughout the Louisburg trading area. Our purpose has been accomplished.

Saturday night at 6:00 o'clock this contest came to an exciting close, when the contestants dropped their last votes and TIMES receipts in the ballot box for the final count by the judges.

This popular baby contest, so successfully conducted by L. M. Fry, of M. L. Merritt and Associates of Trenton, N. J., has been fair and square in every respect. The practice of good business principles, avoidance of high-pressure salesmanship, resulted in clean transactions with all parties concerned; interesting to the public, exciting to contestants and stimulating to the business houses who participated.

Although the tiny tots, in whose interests THE FRANKLIN TIMES and local business men sponsored the campaign, may know little or nothing about their early business venture now, they will in their mature life appreciate what their parents have done in registering their names together with photos, and photo of every boy and girl entered in the contest has now become a permanent record that can never be erased from the files of history, becoming more valuable in memory as time marches on.

Because of the interest taken by citizens and businessmen alike, the TIMES, in behalf of all the contestants, wishes to thank each and every one for their kind support, effort and co-operation throughout the contest.

J. A. JOHNSON.

### LOUISBURG BAPTIST CHURCH

**Brother of Pastor To Preach**  
On Sunday, March 5, Dr. A. Paul Bagby, pastor, preached on "God's Power and Our." Five thought provoking questions were answered concerning limitations of God.

We welcome Dr. H. A. Bagby, brother of the pastor, from Pendleton, S. C., who will preach for us on Sunday at the 11:00 A. M. worship hour.  
—Morning worship at 11:00 A. M.  
—Evening worship at 7:30 P. M.  
—Sunday School at 9:45 A. M.  
—Baptist Training Union at 6:45 P. M.

### THANKS EXPRESSED

L. M. Fry, of M. L. Merritt and Associates, who so successfully managed the Baby Contest for THE TIMES during the past six weeks, asked that his appreciation be expressed through this paper. He said, "This contest was a great success because of the wonderful cooperation given by the contestants and the merchants. Every one of them seemed to have one thing in mind—to boost the paper, and that is really the secret of the success of the campaign. I want to thank all who worked in it, and I want them to know that I enjoyed working with them."

A miracle of today is to find the one radio program that satisfies every member of the family.

## TOWN COMMISSIONERS MEET

Primary Election Called for April 25th, And Election On May 2nd, 1939

The Board of Town Commissioners met in regular monthly session, March 7, 1939, with all members present.

Minutes of previous meetings were read and approved.

The monthly reports of the Chief of Police, Tax Collector and Town Clerk were read and approved.  
Mr. Coleman, Assistant Construction Engineer, with the W. P. A., presented a final revised estimate of costs of the Armory and Community Building to the Board. After carefully reviewing the estimates, the Board instructed Mr. M. S. Davis to decrease the length of the building approximately ten feet, in order to decrease the cost of the building. The Mayor and Town Clerk were instructed to sign the necessary forms for the application to the W.P.A. for the Armory and Community Building Project. The Mayor appointed the following Special Committee to purchase the necessary materials for the Armory and Community Building and to check the plans of the building with Mr. M. S. Davis: W. B. Barrow, J. S. Howell and C. R. Sykes.  
The Board instructed the Fire Committee to buy 500 feet of fire hose.

Dr. Walter Patten appeared before the Board representing Louisburg College, and presented a written request from Dr. D. E. Earnhardt to leave the matter of cancelling the Pavement Assessments owed by Louisburg College, to a vote of the citizens of Louisburg. No action was taken upon this request.

After a lengthy discussion of the Pavement Assessments, the Board passed the following motion: That judgment be taken against Louisburg College for the Pavement Assessments due on the North Main and College Streets, and that the judgment is not to be issued before December 1, 1939.

The Board ordered that a Primary Election and Election for the selection of a Mayor and six Town Commissioners be held the date of the Primary Election was set for Tuesday, April 25, 1939, and the Election was ordered held on Tuesday, May 2nd, 1939.

The Board appointed Mr. A. W. Green as Registrar for the Primary and Election, and appointed Messrs. R. C. Beck, Jr., and John W. Stovall as Judges of the Primary Election and Election.  
The Town Attorney was instructed to secure an extension of sixty days on the options on the building lots for the proposed Armory and Community Building.

### List of Jurors

The following is a list of Jurors, drawn up by the County Commissioners at their meeting on Monday, for the April term of Criminal Court:

- Dunn—F. R. Mitchell, J. W. Pearce, W. M. Perry, S. G. Dodd, W. N. Mullen, W. G. Perry, Darfus Pearce, Z. B. Johnson.
- Harris—J. A. Johnson, M. H. Horton, Clee C. Pearce, W. P. Young, W. C. Privette.
- Youngsville—H. L. Keith, C. C. Winston, W. W. Weathers, H. O. Hill.
- Franklinton—John T. Sawyer, Hayesville—W. H. Wilder.
- Gold Mine—G. W. Champion, E. H. Gupton.
- Cedar Rock—P. R. Bunn.
- Louisburg—H. B. Perry, W. T. Person.

### PLANS FOR FUTURE

"I want some ready cash—15 years from now, so I am planting 1,000 pine seedlings this spring," says S. S. Farabow, of Oxford.

### SECOND PRIZE WINNER



EMILY NELL  
8 months old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Elmo Dean, Louisburg, N. C. Route 1.

### AWARDS PRIZES



MAYOR W. C. WEBB  
Who so generously awarded the prizes to the winning babies in the FRANKLIN TIMES Popular Baby Contest at the Louisburg Theatre Monday night.

### Recorder's Court

#### Frances Wilder Released of Manslaughter

The docket of Franklin County Recorder's Court was disposed of Tuesday as follows by Judge H. H. Hobgood:

Frances Wilder, plead not guilty to manslaughter. No probable cause was found and defendant ordered discharged.

Davis Perry, violating automobile law, suspended upon payment of costs.

The following cases were continued: Garland Mitchell, removing crops.

Jessie Ruffin, assault of deadly weapons.

Poster Pace, operating automobile intoxicated.

Adkins Williams, assault on female and non-support.

Waverly Lewis, assault with deadly weapons.

Ervin Lewis, assault with deadly weapon.

W. Preston Walford, unlawful possession of whiskey.

Thurston Rowe, reckless driving.

Edward Allen, reckless driving.

### LOUISBURG METHODIST CHURCH

"Moral Rearmament," will be discussed by Rev. J. G. Phillips at the morning service, next Sunday at 11:00.

Rearmament and appeasement are the big words in the world situation today, but they will have to be applied morally and spiritually before any reasonable and permanent improvement can be realized.

At the evening hour, 7:30, there will be brief addresses by Louisburg College students giving the message of the recent state-wide conference of Methodist college and university students, and also giving personal testimonies as to the spiritual blessings received at the recent college revival in Louisburg.

Sunday School is at 9:45. Added improvements are being made in the primary department this week. This department, under the guidance of Miss Virginia Pleasants, Miss Winston, Mrs. George Oliver and Mrs. Hugh H. Perry will soon be in just the most desired condition for worship, and classes and week-day sessions.

Epworth League is at 6:45.

### MILLS P. T. A.

The regular meeting of the P. T. A. of Mills High School will be held on Thursday afternoon, March 16, at 3:30 o'clock. Since there are only two more meetings scheduled for this year it is hoped that each member will make a special effort to attend.

### INCREASE

A 20 percent increase in the domestic consumption of American lumber this quarter from the first quarter of 1938 is predicted by the Commerce Department's Lumber Survey Committee.

### PROGRAM AT THE LOUISBURG THEATRE

The following is the program at the Louisburg Theatre beginning Saturday, March 11th:

Saturday—Double Feature—Jack Randall in "Gun Packer" and Ronald Reagan in "Secret Service of the Air," also Chapter No. 8 "Hawks of The Wilderness."  
Sunday—Monday—James Cagney in "The Oklahoma Kid" with Humphrey Bogart, Rosemary Lane and Donald Crisp.  
Tuesday—Richard Dix and Lucille Ball in "Twelve Crowded Hours."  
Wednesday—Michael Whalen, Mary Hart and Chick Chandler in "The Mysterious Miss X."  
Thursday—Friday—Robt. Montgomery and Ronald Russell in "Fast and Loose" with Reginald Owen and Ralph Morgan.

## Franklinton Boys Negroes Ask For Gold Sand Girls Cop Title

Pearce Leads In Win Over Louisburg; Gold Sand Girls Defeat Epsom, 15-19

Franklinton boys and Gold Sand girls were victorious Wednesday night in the finals of the annual Franklin County high school basketball tournament.

The classy Franklinton quint romped to a 43-14 win over Louisburg boys. Joe Pearce, with 15 points, was the top marksman for Franklinton. Sterling Gilliam and Joe Hicks set the pace on defense. Ben Massenburg accounted for half of Louisburg's points. Best defensive performer for Louisburg was Buddy Beam.

Gold Sand defeated Epsom, 25-19, in finals of the girls' division. Leading scorers were Gold Sand's Harris, with 12 points, and Epsom's Smith, with 9.

**First Round—Boys**  
Youngsville, 29; Bunn, 19.  
Mills, 19; Gold Sand 15.  
Edward Best, 18; Epsom, 16.

**First Round—Girls**  
Mills, 19; Youngsville, 13.  
Gold Sand, 20; Edward Best, 17.  
Bunn, 24; Franklinton 20.

**Second Round—Boys**  
Franklinton, 31; Youngsville, 19.

Edward Best, 24; Mills, 29.  
Franklinton, 43; Mills, 14.

**Second Round—Girls**  
Mills, 24; Gold Sand 25.  
Epsom, 25; Bunn 5.  
Gold Sand, 25; Epsom, 19.

Officials for the tournament were Whittington, of Wake Forest, and Terrell, of Henderson.

### SPEAKS TO FARMERS

Mr. A. D. Stuart, Secretary-Treasurer of the North Carolina Crop Improvement Association spoke to the farmers of the Youngsville community on certified seed. The meeting was held in the Youngsville School last Wednesday night and there were 25 farmers present. Considerable interest has been created in the community over pure seed. There were several thousand pounds of lespedeza shipped from this county this past month. This is one of the many ways that the farmer can diversify and supplement his cotton and tobacco income.

Mr. Stuart stated that there were only 295 certified seed growers in N. C. This leaves plenty of room for development along that line. Twelve bushels of Registered seed corn was planted in the Youngsville community last year and this amount will be increased this year. The two varieties that will be planted will be Jarvis Golden Prolific and Weekly's Improved. The majority of this registered corn will be planted on the projects of the Vocational Students. Four of the students had certified seed corn projects last year. In every case the corn won the praise of both the boy and his parent.

There has been a demand for this seed corn and several bushels have been sold for seed.  
Thousands of dollars is sent out of N. C. each year for seed that can be grown in N. C. Mr. Stuart cited several instances where farmers ordered seed from out of state firms only to have the seed sent to them from farmers here in the state. The seed grown close to your farm is better adapted than those grown in other localities. There is no hybrid seed corn that has proven satisfactory for this locality at the present time. Hybrid seed corn has been tried in the Youngsville community and did not prove satisfactory.

**RENEW YOUR SUBSCRIPTION!**

**THIRD PRIZE WINNER**  
Mr. J. S. Howell announced to the TIMES reporter Wednesday that he had completed the remodeling of that part of his building next to Fuller's Service Station which was recently vacated by Bobbitt Furniture Co., and will open his barber shop on Saturday, March 11.

Mr. Howell has secured Mr. J. F. Terrell as operator of the shop, which is very modernly finished with the most up-to-date equipment.

### NEW BARBER AND BEAUTY SHOP

**"BELIEVE IT OR NOT"**  
Mr. I. C. May, who lives on Mr. C. H. Stallings' farm near Cedar Rock, reports this "Believe It Or Not." In a hollow Oak tree, on this farm, a cat found two kittens. Several days later a stray dog found eight pups in the same tree. Both families are living in the hollow tree together.

**POWER FOR ALL**  
Electric power for every rural community of Bladen County is one of the 1939 goals for that county, reports Farm Agent J. R. Powell.

**QUICKER**  
Through the use of advanced methods, the U. S. Weather Bureau will soon start a quicker forecast service for 25 to 50 principal cities.

**MORTGAGES**  
The Farm Credit Administration estimates that 35 percent of all farms in the United States carried mortgages in 1938, the debt amounting to \$7,082,000,000.

## The Legislature

### House Votes To Exempt Tax On Bibles

The House passed the record 1939-40 tax bill on second reading Wednesday by a 92 to 14 vote.

The representatives voted to exempt Bibles from the general sales tax but refused to make any other changes in the measure adopted Tuesday night by the House as a committee-of-the-whole.

There were new efforts to insert sections prohibiting licensing of any slot machines which may be used for gambling "per se," as well as new efforts to add exemptions to the sales tax and prevent highway fund diversion but all lost on oral votes.

The measure designed to raise around \$150,000,000 for the next biennium was to come up for final passage in the House Thursday.

### About Advertising

Senators, in the meantime, passed and sent to the House a much-amended bill which as it now stands requires that legal advertisement must be given only to newspapers which have been published regularly in 25 of the 26 weeks preceding insertion of the ads.

The senators also passed and ordered ratified into law and administration bill to create a new State Bank Commission to replace the present advisory commission. The new group will have powers now vested in the bank commissioner, and the commissioners will be the executive officer for the commission.

### BUNN HI BANQUET

On Friday night, March 3, the annual Junior-Senior Banquet was held when the Juniors of Bunn High School entertained the Seniors with a Robin Hood Banquet in the reading room of the High School. Miss Mary B. Parker and O. J. Rochester were sponsors for the banquet.

Pines and running cedar had transformed the room into a veritable Sherwood Forest where, under the canopy of night, a feast was spread for the guest of Robin Hood and his merry band. A galaxy of stars hung against a background of blue light, through which filtered the rays of a new moon, created a beautiful summer night when the romantic robber and his band came through the forest to greet their guest.

The merry band conducted their guest to the long banquet table where miniature candy trees sparkled in the candle light against a setting of white linen and silver. Beside each tree was a little nosegay of yellow flowers and a place card. At intervals along the table were bowls of yellow spring flowers and groups of dolls dressed as Robin Hood, Maid Marian, and other members of the band.

After the guest were seated Sybil Horton, as the leader of the merrymen, welcomed the guest to the forest by a toast to the Seniors. Susie Strickland, President of the Senior Class, responded. To the members of the faculty, who were special guests at this feast, Roger Baker gave toast which was responded to by Miss Woolford.

While the Seniors were enjoying the good food they were entertained by various members of the band of merry makers, Annie Launa Shearon gave a musical reading, "The Three Trees." Elizabeth Harris as Maid Marian and Joan Johnson as Robin Hood, performed in a tap dance, which was followed by the song "Trees" sung by Miss Edwards. "My Hearts In The Highlands" by the Junior Sextette brought the feasting and merry making to a close.

The food for the banquet was prepared by the Home Economic classes under the direction of Miss York. The ninth grade girls, sister class of the Juniors, dressed in white dresses with green aprons and head bands served as waitresses.

### FRANKLIN COUNTY BOYS AT WAKE FOREST

Wake Forest, Feb. 10.—Eleven Franklin County men are among the 932 students enrolled at Wake Forest College this session. Five of these men are from Franklinton, three from Louisburg, two from Youngsville, and one from Castalia.

From Franklinton are James E. Best, a sophomore; Ronald E. Biddle, William R. Jenkins, and J. S. Nowell, seniors; and Max D. Sawyer, a freshman. Hollis Fuller, a sophomore; Marvin Pleasants, a freshman; and T. O. Whelless, a medical student, are all from Louisburg. Earl T. Hart, first year student, and W. Timberlake, senior, are from Youngsville, while Gilliam Gordon, a sophomore, is from Castalia.

The Franklin contingent is well represented in student activities. Biddle plays a trumpet in the college band; young Fuller is a member of the ministerial conference and secretary of the historic Euzelian literary society of Wake Forest. Hart is a member of the monogram club and an assistant in the college gymnasium.

### SLIPPING

A lowering of the general level of local market prices for farm products by 2 points has been reported by the U. S. Bureau of Agricultural Economics for the month ending February 15.

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