

From Ingleside

I note with pleasure that the FRANKLIN TIMES has entered another year of service with its usual optimistic views of the present and future. Seventy-one years is a long time for a newspaper to serve any community, and it shows a fine spirit of cooperation between the good people of Louisburg and Franklin County and their good newspaper.

There is probably no one factor in the life of a town and community more important in molding and directing its activities than a good weekly newspaper. Either by quiet, aggressive measures or by quiet continual suggestions the current of thought is turned to better things, and there is created a desire for advancement and progress. Often the opinions expressed do not meet with universal approbation, but at any rate a discussion is produced and thoughts diverted into channels of progress.

Louisburg it appears has been particularly fortunate all these years in having a newspaper of this type. Ever since its early beginning, or as long as many can remember, the TIMES has been a representative paper, and in countless ways has helped the town in every measure undertaken for benefits—financial and spiritual.

If one could look back through the files of your papers, I imagine a certain feeling of sadness would be produced by reading of bygone days, when those who have been dead these many years, were in the hey day of their youth and strength. Their daily lives are chronicled to some extent in the early issues of a paper, and the many trials and vicissitudes of the growth of a town are plainly expressed.

Best wishes for the TIMES and all the good people of Louisburg and Franklin County.

James Finch, young son of Mr. and Mrs. George H. Finch, of Ingleside, sustained serious burns from a pot of scalding water which he overturned from a stove on Sunday morning. The little boy was badly burned on his chest, arm and leg. He was taken immediately to a physician, and at this writing is doing as well as could be expected for injuries of that nature.

The Black Death, or bubonic plague, of the 14th century, and the influenza epidemic of 1918 are said to be the two greatest plagues ever to afflict mankind. The former killed an estimated 25,000,000 persons; the latter, 10,000,000.

Ominous shades of the "lamented" Klu Klux Klan—it appears some times arouse from its ghostly realm to put on an occasional mild demonstration of the "frey cross." It is not known whether the visits should be taken as a sort of prelude to an attempted "come back" of the disbanded organization or merely intended as a kindly and sympathetic but impressive reminder of its former mission.

In the recent honor roll listed by the Presbyterian Junior College at Maxton, appears the name of Mr. John Knox Beasley, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Young Beasley, Louisburg, Rt. 3. Knox is one of the "sterling young men" of the county.

The many friends of Mrs. Thomas Wynne will be glad to know that she is recovering from a very serious operation at Mary Elizabeth Hospital, Raleigh, which she underwent there four weeks ago. For several days Mrs. Wynne's condition was considered critical, but from last reports she is expected to be able to return to her home near here within the next few days.

The writer was shown a doll by a lady here which she had just opened. It was ordered from Charlotte during the Christmas holidays. I suggested that if she would look at the address she would probably find that it was sent to Laurinburg, and so it was. The similarity of names of Laurinburg and Louisburg has long been a source of confusion and inconvenience on the part of postal officials as well as the residents of both towns. Certainly no blame should be attached to the postal folks for the mix-up of mails. It is so difficult to distinguish them in handling it; it was ever thus and perhaps will so continue unless the name of one of these good towns should be changed, and everybody knows that Louisburg wouldn't stand for that. It is said that Littleton and Lillington also have their mails crossed in transit for the same reason.

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Scene from "Western Union" at the Louisburg Theatre Thursday and Friday, Feb. 27-28th.

ED LANCASTER

Ed Lancaster, 58, of Castalla, Route 1 died early Saturday at his home.

Funeral services were held at the graveside in the family cemetery in Franklin County at 2 p. m. Sunday.

Survivors are two brothers, O. L. and J. A. Lancaster, of Castalla.

Edward Lancaster, better known to his many friends as "Jerry" was born in the year of 1882, and was 58 years old at the time of his death on Saturday, A. M. Feb. 15, 1941. He always lived a free and congenial life and was loved by his many friends and acquaintance and people whom he came in contact with. At an early age of manhood he made profession with Christ and joined White Level Baptist Church. Some years later by revising the church roll his name was dropped, and for some reason of his own he never had his name replaced. But he loved Red Bud Baptist Church and was a constant attendant and gave liberally with his material means. During his last two years he was in ill health, which caused his death at Parkview Hospital, early Saturday A. M. Feb. 15. And with his going he leaves a tender remembrance with all who knew him. His parents preceded him to the grave a number of years ago, leaving now, two brothers, O. L. and J. A. Lancaster, of near Castalla. He's not

dead, but sleepeth, where the river of eternity roll on with a peaceful rest.

—One Who Loved Him.

CARD OF THANKS

We want to express our deepest appreciation to the many friends and neighbors who so tenderly offered their assistance during the recent illness and death of my brother, Edward "Jerry" Lancaster who was buried Sunday P. M., Feb. 16, 1941. Your sympathy will always be remembered by us.

O. L. LANCASTER and Family.

When an apology is merited, it is sometimes better expressed in actions than in words.

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HOSTESS TO BRIDGE CLUB

Mrs. Frank Parks was hostess to her bridge club on Thursday night at the home of her mother, Mrs. G. C. Harris on Noble Street. The guests were Mrs. J. E. Fulghum, Mrs. William Wilson, Mrs. Numa Freeman, Mrs. W. F. Shelton, Mrs. "Red" Tyler and Mrs. W. V. Avent. Club members present were Misses Rose Malone, Jane Fuller, Teenie Allen and Peggy Ford, Mrs. "Snooks" Collier and Mrs. Bland Pruitt.

Mrs. Parks presented Mrs. Pruitt and Mrs. Shelton with high score prizes and Mrs. Numa Freeman with the traveling prize.

The hostess assisted by Miss Fuller served a dessert course carrying out the Valentine motif.

ENTERTAINS AT BRIDGE

The Friday Contract Club met Friday afternoon with Miss Elizabeth Timberlake as hostess.

High score award was presented Mrs. J. M. Allen II.

A salad course with "Russia Tea" was served by the hostess assisted by Mrs. P. S. Allen.

Corn accounted for more than one-fourth of the total farm value of all crops produced in the United States in 1939, according to a recent estimate of the U. S. Department of Agriculture.



One of the girls in "Egyptian Follies" playing on the stage Sunday only at the Stevenson Theatre, Henderson, N. C.

RENEW YOUR SUBSCRIPTION

MRS. ANNIE C. CREEKMORE family cemetery. Survivors are four daughters, Mrs. Wheeler, Mrs. Lula Crichter, Mrs. Hunn, Mrs. Lula Crichter, of South Carolina, and Mrs. Eddie Edwards, of Spring Hope; a brother, Hensie Creekmore of near Spring Hope; 40 grandchildren, L. F. Kent. Burial was in the

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