

## THE BATTLE IS ON

### TWO FILE FOR MAYOR

Thirteen File For Commissioners For Louisburg—Election To Be Held On Tuesday of Next Week—Interest Centered Around Power Question

With quite an active interest being worked up over whether Louisburg should manufacture its electricity with its own diesel operated plant or buy electricity from the Carolina Power & Light Co., the voters will go to the polls on Tuesday of next week to select its city officials from one of the largest lists of candidates presented to them in many elections. This year the situation is different. In former years the voters have engaged in a primary to select their nominees, and the election passed off with little interest. This year there has been no primary, but the election is called upon not only to select the official but to elect him at the same time. Therefore the election next Tuesday is very important and every voter in the town should attend and take part in the election. The question involved is a big one. The two important angles are whether the town should buy current at wholesale and take the responsibility of selling its present machinery or allow it to go bad because of depreciation, or that the town spent around \$45,000.00 to \$50,000.00 in the purchase of new machinery and repairs. In neither case will the consumer benefit because of lower rates and there is always the possibility of a tax rate boost to meet the difference.

Those filing for Mayor are William C. Webb, incumbent, and Jonah C. Taylor.

The entire old Board filed seeking to succeed themselves, with the exception of Paul W. Elam. In addition to these eight others filed, seeking a place on the Board. Those filing for Commissioner were as follows: C. R. Sykes, F. H. Allen, W. B. Barrow, R. C. Beck, W. G. Lancaster, members of the old Board seeking re-election, and N. F. Freeman, W. J. Cooper, W. F. Shelton, Dr. J. B. Wheelless, L. O. Tharrington, C. C. Hudson, Wilbur A. Raynor, W. J. (Pete) Shearin.

All of these gentlemen are among Louisburg's most active and capable business men and any group selected will, no doubt, give the town a splendid administration.

The voters should go to the polls early and vote for the ones they feel will give the town the best and most economical, but progressive, administration.

### 1941 TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE GRENN HILL COUNTRY CLUB

- May 3, Wake Forest at Louisburg.
- May 7, Warrenton at Louisburg.
- May 10, Smithfield at Louisburg.
- May 14, Oxford at Louisburg.
- May 17, Louisburg at Smithfield.
- May 21, Louisburg at Oxford.
- May 28, Louisburg at Warrenton.
- May 30, Carolina Country Club at Raleigh.
- June 4, Louisburg at Roxboro.
- June 25, Sand Green Tournament at Louisburg.
- June 28, Lawyers' Tournament at Louisburg.
- July 2, Oxford at Louisburg.
- July 9, Louisburg at Warrenton.

### PROGRAM AT THE LOUISBURG THEATRE

The following is the program at the Louisburg Theatre, beginning Saturday, May 3rd:  
Saturday—Double Feature—"Bill Boyd as Hopalong Cassidy in 'Stagecoach War'" and "Frieda Inescort in a corking mystery yarn 'Shadows On The Stir'" also the last chapter of "Mysterious Dr. Satan."  
Sunday-Monday—Spencer Tracy and Mickey Rooney in "Men of Boys Town."  
Tuesday—Bob Crosby and his Orchestra and Ruth Terry in "Rookies On Parade."  
Wednesday—Penny Singleton, Arthur Lake and Larry Sims in "Blonde Goes Latin."  
Thursday-Friday—Bing Crosby, Dorothy Lamour and Bob Hope in "The Road To Zanzibar."

RENEW YOUR SUBSCRIPTION

## Wickard To Speak At Co-op Meeting



SECRETARY WICKARD

Raleigh, April 28.—Secretary of Agriculture Claude R. Wickard is scheduled to make his first public appearance in North Carolina since his elevation to cabinet status when he addresses the joint annual meeting of the North Carolina Cotton Growers Cooperative Association and the Farmers Cooperative Exchange here Tuesday, May 13.

Secretary Wickard's acceptance, announced by M. G. Mann, general manager of the two co-operatives, came through the office of Congressman Harold D. Cooley, who will accompany the secretary to Raleigh and will introduce him to an expected crowd of 5,000 farmers of the two Carolinas.

The meeting, an annual event of the two co-operatives which have a combined membership of more than 30,000, is expected to attract to capacity the Memorial Auditorium, Raleigh's largest assembly hall. Following the meeting, a barbecue dinner will be served. Association members and FICX patrons.

This is a crucial time for agriculture, Mr. Mann said, and farmers have many questions about production, prices and the part of agriculture in the national defense program. Secretary Wickard is the one man most qualified to provide these answers and we are expecting farmers from every county in North Carolina and a representative group from South Carolina to attend the meeting.

Mr. Wickard is both a farmer and a co-operative leader. He was born on a 380-acre Carroll County, Indiana, farm which he still operates. He was one of the leaders in the upbuilding of the co-operative movement in the middle West and at one time was a director of the Indiana Farm Bureau Co-operative.

The Cotton Association is the oldest and largest State-wide farm co-operative in North Carolina and is now in its 19th year of service. The Farmers Co-operative Exchange was organized six years ago and is now rendering a purchasing service to 20,000 farmers in North and South Carolina.

## Recorder's Court

Franklin Recorder's Court disposed of the following cases at its regular session on Tuesday:  
E. H. Kemp was found guilty of unlawful possession of whiskey and given 30 days on roads, suspended upon payment of \$10 fine and cost. Appeal.  
Petsy Holden was found not guilty of violating prohibition law.  
Morris Higge was found guilty assault with deadly weapon, pointing loaded gun, and given 6 months on roads.  
The following cases were continued:  
Ollie Hunt, possession of still and material.  
Roy Lee Tharrington, reckless driving.  
James Lee Miller, abandonment and non-support.  
Ernest Hayes, assault on female.  
William Crudup, assault with deadly weapon, assault on female.  
W. H. Leonard, motor vehicle violation.

## WINS MARBLE TOURNAMENT

Earle Murphy, Jr., won the Marble Tournament at Mills High School and will go to Raleigh Saturday to compete with other schools in the State.

## OLD PLANTATION PARTY

There will be an Old Plantation party held at the Bunn High School, Bunn, N. C. at 8 P. M. on May 2nd, 1941 under the auspices of the Bunn Women's Club for the building fund of the Bunn Community House. There will be comedy, drama, and song presented by the Bunn Business Men and the Bunn Players.

## Mills School Finals

The first program of the Mills School Commencement will be Sunday morning, May 4th at eleven o'clock. At that time the annual baccalaureate sermon will be delivered to the graduating class by Dr. A. C. Outler of the School of Religion of Duke University. The High School Glee Club will furnish special music for the occasion, and Prof. I. D. Moon of Louisburg College, will lead the congregational singing.

On Tuesday night, May 6th, at 8 o'clock, Mrs. O. Y. Yarborough will present her students in the annual piano recital.

The graduating exercises of the Seventh grade will take place Friday morning, May 9th, at 9:30 o'clock. A special feature of this program will be music furnished by the school band.

The Rev. F. D. Hedden, Pastor of Louisburg Methodist Church will deliver the address to the members of the graduating class at 8 o'clock, Friday evening, May 9th.

The public is extended a cordial invitation to attend all of these programs.

## G. S. Commencement Exercises

Mr. J. L. Memory, Jr., professor of Education at Wake Forest College, will deliver the commencement address at Gold Sand High School Friday evening, May 9th, beginning at 8 o'clock. Thirty-six members of the high school senior class are expected to receive diplomas on that occasion.

The baccalaureate sermon will be delivered Sunday evening at 8 o'clock by the Reverend Forrest D. Hedden, pastor of the Louisburg Methodist Church.

The entire commencement program is as follows:  
Senior play, Friday evening, May 2nd, at 8 o'clock; baccalaureate sermon, Sunday evening, May 4th, at 8 o'clock; Senior Class Day Exercises Thursday, May 8th, at 4 p. m.; elementary school opera Thursday, May 8th, at 8 p. m.; elementary school graduation Friday, May 9th, at 1 p. m., and the high school senior graduation on the evening of May 9th at 8 o'clock.

## YDC Spring Dance

The Young Democratic Club of Franklin County will sponsor its regular Spring Dance at the Louisburg Armory on Friday night, May 9th, from 10:00 to 2:00.

According to Mr. Dick Whitfield, President of the Franklin County Y. D. C., the Entertainment Committee is planning for one of the best and largest dances ever to be held in Louisburg. A large number of outsiders are expected to be present and sponsors from surrounding cities are being invited. Mr. Ralph Gardner, State Y. D. C. President, and other state officers are planning to attend.

The Young Democrats have engaged Jimmy Byerly's up and coming young orchestra to play for the dance. This band has made a name for itself in Eastern North Carolina this year, and is constantly in demand. They have just recently filled successful engagements in Western North Carolina and Virginia.

Make your arrangements to attend.

## Home Guard Organized

Officially Recognized Monday By Gov. Broughton And Adjutant General Metts

The Louisburg Company of the North Carolina State Guard was organized and received State recognition on the 28th day of April, 1941, by an official order duly entered by Governor J. Melville Broughton by J. Van B. Metts, the Adjutant General.

The Louisburg Company is the thirty-fifth company to be organized and recognized in the State. The rifles ordered for the local company have already been shipped and are expected to arrive at any time. Measurements for uniforms for nearly all the men in the local unit have been sent in to the Adjutant's office, and as soon as all the State Guard units have been completed, the uniforms will be ordered and sent to the local unit.

Forty-six men and three officers constitute the present strength of the company. A few more men will be permitted to enlist to bring the company up to its legal limit.

A complete roster of the enlisted men will be published during the coming week.

Regular drills will take place at the Armory in Louisburg on Thursdays at 8 P. M.

## LOUISBURG WINS OVER ROXBORO

The Green Hill Country Club played the first of its 1941 golf tournaments with Roxboro Wednesday afternoon on the local course and won by the score of 40 to 14. Several low scores were made. William Barrow, Jr., and Buddy Beam, parred the course going out; and Joe Barrow parred it coming in. Low scores were as follows: William Barrow, Jr., 72; Joe Barrow, 74; Napier Williamson, 74; Buddy Beam, Roxboro, 75; Ed Owens, 78; John Morris, Roxboro, 80; and Tom Street, Roxboro, 80.

The Roxboro club enjoys playing on the local course, and on Wednesday brought 26 players for the tournament. But Louisburg was able to match only 18 of them.

The next tournament will be tomorrow, Saturday, May 3, with Wake Forest and the Louisburg players are requested to be on hand so that all visitors can be matched.

Warrenton plays in Louisburg on next Wednesday afternoon.

The following local players made points against Roxboro: Joe Barrow, 2; William Barrow, Jr., 3; Ed Owens, 3; Williamson, 3; Dr. Wheelless, 3; Arch Wilson, 2 1/2; John Tucker, 2 1/2; Malone, 2; Henderson, 3; Word, 3; Howell, 3; Blair Tucker, 2 1/2; Geor. Gilliam, Jr., 1; Ralph Parker, 3; William Barrow, Sr., 3; Gaither Beam, Sr., 2 1/2.

## MUSIC RECITAL

The members of Mrs. O. Y. Yarborough's music class, assisted by the Girls' Glee Club will present a musical sketch entitled "In A Spring Garden," Tuesday evening, May 6th, at Mills High School auditorium, at 8 o'clock. The public is invited.

You can't tell by the bill what the size of a ton of coal is.

## Franklinton School Closing

The following announcement of the closing exercises of the Franklinton Public Schools has been made by Supt. G. B. Harris, who extends a cordial invitation to all to attend. The program is as follows:

- Friday, May 2, 8:00 P. M.—Operetta.
- Sunday, May 4, 8:00 P. M.—Commencement Sermon, Speaker: Dr. H. E. Myers, Duke University.
- Tuesday, May 6, 4:00 P. M.—Class Day Exercises on School Lawn.
- Wednesday, May 7, 8:00 P. M.—Senior Class Play.
- Thursday, May 8, 8:00 P. M.—Recitation - Declamation Contest; Seventh Grade Graduation; Perfect Attendance Certificates.
- Friday, May 9, 8:00 P. M.—Graduation Exercises, Speaker: Dr. D. B. Bryan, Wake Forest College.

## LOUISBURG DEFEATS CAMPBELL AGAIN, 4-3

Louisburg took the rubber game out of a three game series with Campbell College in a baseball game played here on Wednesday. Campbell took the first game 6-0; Louisburg came back to win the second 4-3 and the rubber game by the same score.

Colonel Laws struck out only one man and walked two in setting the Camels down with four safeties all of which were singles. The Campbell batters were able to hit only six balls out of the infield. House pitched three hit ball in his six inning turn, while striking out three and walking five. Reardon relieved him in the seventh and allowed one hit and one run which made him the losing pitcher.

Camel opened the scoring in the second frame on a hit by Moss and a Louisburg error. They added one in the fourth when Moss walked, Irwin singled and Moss scored on an infield out. Louisburg tied the count in their half of the same frame when Woodard reached second on an error. Vaughan doubled him home, and Riggan singled Vaughan home. The Camels scored again in the fifth on a single by pitcher House and a

Louisburg error. The Trojans tallied again in the sixth after Lee walked, stole second, moved to third on an infield out and scored on another Camel error. Louisburg scored the winning run in the eighth as Williams reached second on a Camel error and Woodard singled him home.

Score: R.H.E. Campbell 010 110 000—3 4 3 Louisburg 000 201 01x—4 4 5 Batteries: Campbell—House, Reardon and Irwin; Louisburg—Laws and Riggan.

Louisburg College will play State Freshmen today (Friday) at the local park at 3:30.

## BASEBALL AT EPSOM

The Boston Hoboes Novelty baseball team will play a night game at Epsom on Sunday night, May 11th, at 8:30 o'clock against the Louisburg All Stars. A big crowd is expected.

Dewey Wallin of Marshall, Route 3, believes more clear profit can be received from beef cattle by raising and fattening steers at home, reports P. R. Elam, farm agent of Madison County.

Some people are proud of their past probably because it is past.

## DEAD



Me. Airy, April 30.—Rep. A. D. (Lon) Folger (D. N. C.) of Mount Airy, Fifth District congressman since 1938 and one of the best known men in public life in this State, succumbed at 11:10 o'clock tonight of injuries he suffered in an automobile wreck here this morning.

Congressman Folger died in the Mount Airy Hospital, where he was rushed with head and chest hurts, a broken ankle and several broken ribs. Indications were he suffered a skull fracture. He never regained consciousness and his condition was regarded as grave from the first.

## Memorial To E. L. Best

The afternoon of Franklin County Education Day, held by the colored people of Franklin County at the Franklin County Training School in Louisburg given over to a program in memory of the late Edward L. Best, a former County Superintendent in Franklin County, in which the following program was impressively and appropriately carried out:

Master of Ceremonies, Thomas M. Alston.  
Music: "My Faith Looks Up to Thee."  
Scripture: 121st Psalm.  
Prayer.  
Solo: "I've Done My Work."  
Lila Murphy.

Incidents from the Life of Mr. Edward L. Best; Geo. C. Pollard, Mr. E. L. Best and Negro Education; Mrs. Ellen S. Alston.

Solo: "My Task," Mrs. A. G. Ratley.  
Appreciations: Member of Board of Education.  
Music: "Abide With Me."

Each of the talks were highly complimentary of a life given to the work of educating the youth of the county and his interest in the welfare of the colored youth.

Mrs. E. L. Best, wife of the late Superintendent was present as was also a number of their white friends.

## TALKS TO COMMERCIAL STUDENTS

On last Friday afternoon, Mr. Joe Cheatham, Manager of the Western Union office in Franklinton, and Mr. Carl Watkins, Manager in Louisburg, talked to approximately one hundred commercial students at the college.

Mr. Cheatham told the history of both the express and telegraph business and graphically illustrated the various stages of the development. Mr. Watkins presented the various services offered by the railroads. At the close of the lecture both men illustrated how telegrams are sent and gave very helpful suggestions for the sending of telegrams to the prospective secretaries at the college.

This has become an annual feature at the college and the business department looks forward with much pleasure to this very helpful lecture.

## TAR HEELS SAIL

The first all-North Carolina troop units to sail from this country since World War days left North yesterday on the Army transport American Legion for the new military base at Trinidad.

The Tar Heels are in the second battalion of the 252nd Coast Artillery Regiment, National Guard outfit which was called to duty last September for a year. The 400 to 450 men, mostly from Greensboro, with some from Wilmington, are commanded by Lieut.-Col. Ralph L. Lewis of Greensboro. The remainder of the regiment is in training at Fort Screvens, Ga.

The 252nd, which is armed with 155 millimeter coast defense guns, has been rated as one of the best National Guard regiments in the country.

Trinidad is off the coast of Venezuela.

## EUROPEAN WAR NEWS

Washington, April 30.—President Roosevelt tonight ordered the immediate pooling of 2,000,000 tons of merchant shipping to expedite national defense and aid Great Britain in winning the Battle of the Atlantic.

The order was transmitted in a letter to Chairman Emory S. Land of the Maritime Commission. The President said the drastic step was necessitated by growing congestion of vital war materials on the docks. He called for sacrifice and cooperation by ship owners, emphasizing that "we must supply those ships at once."

Two phases of the program as outlined in the letter are: "First, to arrange for the utilization in routes to the combat zone of foreign ships or ships which are to be transferred to foreign registry.

"Secondly, to reallocate our own flag ships, including those which will be completed in the next few months, in such a way as to make every cargo directly or indirectly useful to our defense efforts and winning by the demerits of the battle now being waged in the Atlantic."

Washington, April 30.—A naval air station for non-rigid dirigibles will be established near Elizabeth City at a cost of \$5,205,000. Secretary of Navy Frank Knox announced today.

Berlin, April 30.—Authorized Nazi sources said tonight that the Germans would fire on any American warship entering the German blockade zone, whether alone or with a convoy.

The Nazi party organ Voelkischer Beobachter said the entry into the danger zone of any United States ship whatever, merchantman or man o' war, would mean "nothing more than intentionally seeking incidents."

Commenting on recent Washington announcements concerning the extension of the United States patrol zone, and particularly on President Roosevelt's remarks in that connection Tuesday, the Germans reiterated Adolf Hitler's threat that any ships coming before Nazi torpedo tubes would be torpedoed.

Washington admits that patrol ships are intended to provide the British with information," an informant said. "That is as much a part of the war as fighting in it."

"If an American military attaché should appear on a battlefield with the British or fly over a battle area in a British plane, he would run the risk of getting killed. It is the same with American warships in the battle area of the Atlantic."

## SUEZ NEXT?

London, April 30.—A grand-scale German attack upon Egypt and the Suez Canal by way of Syria and Palestine is likely within 10 days, informed military circles said tonight.

Mindful of Adolf Hitler's boast that his conquest of the Mediterranean would be complete by August, some observers believed the attack already might be under way.

These sources said a northern flank of the thrust probably would be across the Black Sea from German-controlled Rumanian bases to Batum, in the Soviet Georgia. Simultaneously, a southern assault would be launched from eastern Mediterranean islands at Syria, only 500 miles from Rhodes, an Italian base.

The Nazis would use both sea and air-borne troops, with the latter perhaps playing a major role in investing Syria, whose French colonial government is said to have broken down. Strategic centers there, it was pointed out, could be seized with little resistance since the 50,000 French troops formerly stationed there are for the most part demobilized or disaffected.

With this assault, contemplating a by-pass of Turkey, observers said the Axis would renew the offensive from the west. Once the juncture of the movements in Hitler would be in a position to Asia Minor is effected in Syria, strike simultaneously from the east and west at Port Said and Alexandria.

## HOME BURNS

The home of Lee Brodie near the Southeastern boundary of the town and occupied by he and his family, was destroyed by fire late Tuesday night. The alarm was turned in around 12:45 P. M. and the fire department answered promptly but the fire had gotten such headway the building could not be saved.

The building was estimated to be worth about \$600 and there was no insurance.

Cold weather and rains this year combined to cut down on the usual number of tobacco plants produced in Craven County, reports P. M. Cox, assistant farm agent of the N. C. State College Extension Service.

RENEW YOUR SUBSCRIPTION

## Boy Scout Troop No. 20, Louisburg, N. C.



The membership of the Louisburg Council No. 20, is composed of W. J. Shearin, Scoutmaster, James Edwards, O. B. Edwards, Carl Watkins, Bill Herman, Cheatham Alston, Clyde Collier, Jr., Nick Perry, J. H. Joyner, Tom Bass, Howard Baggett, Edgar Lee Perry, Jimmie Ragland, James Lyons, Hugh Perry, John Perry, Fenner Spivey, Elliott Matthews, Lemar Wheeler, Dow Perry. Others not on above picture are Asher Johnson, Jr., Bud Gwinger, Joe Barrow, Glean Person, Hubert Harris, Dayton Hardwick.