

Weather

Warmer with chance of scattered showers this afternoon and tonight. Tomorrow, mostly fair and somewhat colder.

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County Boys Basketball Champions

Members of the Epsom High School Basketball Championship team are pictured above, 1. to r., front row, Assistant Coach Murphy and Coach Matthews; 2nd row, Larry Edwards, Sonny Duke, Steve Lamm and Mic-

key Edwards; 3rd row, Tommy Howell, Sammy Perdue, Charles Galantis, Butch Overton and Daniel Ayscúe; 4th row, Linwood Patterson, Delon Clayton, Mike Smith and Wayne Renn. -Times Photo.



County Girls Basketball Champions

The Championship Edward Best High School girls shown above are, 1. to r., front row, Doris Murray, Peggy Medlin, Carol Murray, Coach Warren Smith, Judy House, Shirley Hünnicutt and Brenda Lamm; 2nd row, Di-

anne Best, Priscilla Fisher, Judy Jones and Brenda Purnell; 3rd row, Rebecca Wood, Anita Harris, Patsy Collins, Linda Nelms, Melody Harris and Ann May. -Times Photo.

First In County

Junior Beta Club Organized

Mr. R. B. Hellams, General Field Director of the National Beta Club, Spartanburg, S. C., installed the officers for the newly organized Junior Beta Club at Edward Best High School Friday afternoon. Mr. Hellams presented the charter of this first junior Beta Club in Franklin County to Principal Warren W. Smith. His talk, both humorous and impressive, was given before the student body and faculty. Students of the seventh, eighth, and ninth grades who achieve

the good conduct and high scholastic standards set up by the National Organization are invited into the junior club. Students of the tenth, eleventh, and twelfth grades comprise the senior club. Mrs. Beryl Wood, the sponsor of the junior club was pinned by Mrs. Earle Murphy spon-

sor of the senior Club.

Certificates and pins were given to the following students: Pres., Wyvette Davis; Vice-pres., Carolyn Murphy; Sec., Judith Perdue; Treas., Kitty Arnold; Karen Arnold, Roger Holmes, Connie Williams, Jo Ann Carden, and Brenda Champion.

Also, the following senior Betas were pinned and given certificates: Dianne Best, Linda Nelms, Ann May, and Reenie May. Ted Gupton, Vice-president of the senior Beta Club, presided and the devotion was led by the Rev. Kelly Wilson, pastor of the Louisburg Methodist Church.

Drive-In Damaged By Fire Here

A grease fire from a grill spread into a ventilating hood and into the attic at Dick's Drive-In here early Wednesday morning causing several thousand dollars in damages. Local volunteer firemen, hampered by sub-freezing temperatures, snow and ice, were forced to cut through the roof of the establishment to halt the spread of the flames.

Mrs. Hazel Collier, wife of owner R. C. Collier, was present along with several customers when grease on the grill caught fire. Mrs. Collier said she thought she had the fire pretty much under control when snow and grease from an overhead ventilating hood and fan dropped onto the grill and ignited sending flames to the ceiling.



Beta Club President Installed

R. B. Hellams, National Beta Club general field director, right, installs Wyvette Davis as

president of the newly organized Junior Beta Club at Edward Best School. -Times Photo.

Farm Leaders Gather Here

An overflow crowd attended the Agriculture Committee meeting of the seven-county Capital Area Development Association at the Murphy House here Monday night. Farmers and farm leaders from Granville, Vance, Warren, Franklin, Wake, Johnston, and Harnett counties were present for the meeting.

The purpose of the meeting was to develop a program to increase the agricultural income of the area over the next several years. Commodity committees representing the major commodities produced in each county were selected earlier to develop a program and this program was submitted to the entire group for their acceptance.

The agricultural income in the Capital Area at the present time is approximately 160 million dollars. The Agriculture Committee has developed and adopted a program to increase this income to approximately 200 million dollars in the next five years. The increased income will come from the following commodities: tobacco, poultry, cotton, hogs, feed grain, forestry, dairy, vegetables and fruits, soybeans, and beef cattle. A program has been developed for each of these commodities.

Franklin County men serving as Commodity Chairmen were: J. T. Griffin-Cotton, and J. A. Rogers-Tobacco.

G. L. Winchester of Wake County, Chairman of the CADA Agriculture Committee, said that the program developed was a realistic one and would be

reached. Appearing on program in addition to Commodity Chairmen were: J. E. Foll, District Agricultural Extension Agent.

Bill Reynolds of Raleigh, President of the CADA, and John Crawford, in Charge of Community Development at N. C. State College.



Snowtime Is Funtime - For Some

While most of Franklin County was diggin' out from under Tuesday's snowfall, these Franklin-

ton youngsters' Wednesday were having the time of their lives. -Times Photo.

Dist. School Boards To Meet 7th

The annual meeting of the District 6 School Boards Association will be held at North Carolina High School on Thursday, March 7, 1963 with registration beginning at 4:00. The theme for this year's gathering of school board members, district school committees and school administrators is "Adequate Programs, Personnel and Facilities - Keys to Adequate Education."

School units included in the district are: Warren County, Vance County, Henderson City, Franklin County, Franklinton City, Wake County, Raleigh City, Durham County, Durham City.

Following registration and a brief general meeting, the afternoon program will consist of several group discussions. Those present are expected to give considerable attention to the "B" Budget legislative requests of the State Board of Education for the 1963-65 biennium. Prominent lay and professional educators from the district will lead these discussions.

Sled Hits Truck, Two Escape Hurts

Two local teen-agers escaped serious injury here last night when their sled collided with a truck on North Main Street. Louisburg Chief of Police William T. Dement said that Lee Allen and Susan Lloyd managed to escape with scratches when their sled and a skidding truck collided.

Dement identified the driver of the truck as Billy Timberlake, of Route 1, Youngsville. He termed the accident unavoidable and said no charges were filed.

ALA To Meet

The American Legion Auxiliary will hold its regular meeting on Friday night, March 1st, at the home of Mrs. F. M. Fuller, at 7 p.m. Following a short business meeting, the members will go to the Episcopal Church for the World Day of Prayer service. This service will take the place of the program for the evening. All members are urged to attend.

Forces Closing Of Schools

Snow Paralyzes County

Franklin County residents, still digging out from under the worst snow and ice seige of the winter, were faced with the possibility of more of the same by tonight.

Tuesday's storm covered the county with a blanket of snow ranging from 4 to 7 inches in depth and drifts of more than a foot.

In addition to paralyzing business and highway traffic, the

snow forced closing of all schools, however, busy highway crews aided by bright sunshine and some warming on Wednesday were able to get most of the highways clear in order that schools reopen this morning.

Even as the clean-up progressed here though, the possibility of more wet weather by late today or tonight was forecast. The Weather Bureau said that "current indications are that precipitation from another fast moving storm will reach the state by sometime on Thursday."

It said, "Since rather rapid warming is expected in advance of the beginning of the precipitation, it appears pro-

bable that most of it will be in the form of rain rather than sleet or snow. However, it may be a close thing since the warming process will be slowed down by the snowcover now present all across North Carolina."

So far there have been no serious incidents reported here resulting from the weather. There have been numerous minor mishaps, including broken limbs due to falls on the ice and two local teen-agers were shaken up Tuesday night when their sled collided with a truck on N. Main Street here.

A low temperature reading of 6 degrees was recorded here Wednesday morning. The low this morning here was 25.

Farmers Urged To Protect Cotton Acreage

Cotton farmers should release cotton acreage which they do not intend to plant, or for some reason they will be unable to plant this year, according to John R. Davis, Office Manager of the Franklin ASCS Office.

In releasing this acreage, farmers will protect their cotton history and their future cotton allotment. The release is on an annual basis and it does not affect the releasing farmer's cotton allotment except to insure that no allotment will be lost due to underplanting.

Producers are reminded by Davis that March 1, 1963 is the last day to request released cotton and March 15, 1963 is the deadline for releasing cotton acreage to the County Committee.

A farm is required to plant and or release at least 75% of the cotton allotment each year to avoid a reduction in cotton acreage allotment. For farmers who plan to plant their allotments, no action is needed.

Trust Lifting Bill Approved

A bill to release Louisburg College from provisions of a restrictive trust was approved Tuesday by a Senate committee. The measure, filed Feb. 20, was reported favorably to the full Senate by Senate Judiciary Committee No. 1.

Sen. Wilbur M. Jolly of Franklin introduced the bill, which would release Louisburg College lands from a trust, making it easier for the college to finance improvement projects.

The Town of Louisburg, under terms of 1891 trust, now has a selling fight with regard to the college property.



Winter Beauty

If you didn't have to work in it as photographer T. H. Pearce did to get this shot of his home through snow covered trees, Tuesday's snow was truly a thing of beauty. -Times Photo.