

Weather

Generally fair and warm today and Wednesday. Low today, 58; high, around 80.

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Louisburg College Commencement Exercises

Kathryn Dodson Fort, of Henderson, leaves the stage after receiving the "Cum Laude" award from Academic Dean John B. York in commencement exercises at Louisburg College Sunday. - Photo by Fred Kissing-er.

## College Grads Advised To "Be Awake"

Dr. Wendell Patton, President of High Point College, spoke at the 176th Commencement of Louisburg College Sunday afternoon in the A-C Building.

Dr. Patton urged the graduates to be awake and to know where they were headed, keeping before them always those attributes that lead to excellence.

Dr. Cecil W. Robbins, president of Louisburg College, introduced the speaker.

Following the processions of the principals, graduates, and faculty Rev. William K. Quick gave the invocation. The Chapel Choir, under the direction of Miss Sarah Foster, sang "Give Me Your Tired, Your Poor" by Irving Berlin.

Dr. Robbins, assisted by Dean John York, presented Associate in Arts diplomas to 51, Associate in Science diplomas to 7, and one-year business certificates to 18.

Those from Louisburg graduating were William Young Harris, James Walter Phelps, George Calvin Smith, Emily Rose Wood, Howard Jackson Drewett, Jr., Howard Vance Harrrell, Jr., and Nora Elaine Bragg of Franklin.

Special honors went to Kathryn Dodson Fort of Henderson who graduates Cum Laude; to Alpha Pi Epsilon members, Alice Daeke Peedin and Elizabeth Ann Yoder; and to Phi Theta Kappa members, Betty P. Beard, Susan Alice Daniel, Bob Dominick, Kathryn Fort, Billy Joe Frazier, Dan Grinnan, Carolyn Gupton, Linda Haley, Nancy Midgett, Jackie Parrish, Walter Pulliam, Jr., and Joan Irene Parrish.

Awards as follows, were presented: Business Award, Alice Peedin; Sigma Pi Alpha, Nelson Tapson; English Award, Nelson Tapson; 1st year Chemistry Award, James O. Burke, Jr.; Chemistry Award, Sue Ledgett; Physical Chemistry Award, William Sikkelee; William Raymond Taylor Dramatic Award, Alex Speer, Jr.; L. D. Moon Awards, Sue Edge Crow and Billy Joe Frazier; Brantley Awards, Kathryn Fort and Walter M. Pulliam, Jr.; Methodist Scholarships; Betty Beard and Billy Joe Frazier.

Special recognition was given in the Business Department to Doris Cook, Alice Daeke, Barbara Wethington, Lyda Saunders and Sandra Hardison.

Marshals for the commencement events were Carolyn Wells Gupton, chief, Nancy Bird Beyer, Joan Irene Ridge, Mary Faye Rogers, and Jackie Walton Parrish.

Mrs. Cecil W. Robbins presided at the organ.

President and Mrs. Cecil W. Robbins held the President's Reception in the Main Building Social Hall immediately following the exercises.

Rev. Graham S. Eubank, Superintendent of the Raleigh District of the Methodist Church, delivered the commencement sermon Sunday morning, in the

Louisburg Methodist Church. Rev. Eubank used as his sermon topic, "The People of the New World", signifying this quickly changing world.

Following the processional, "March of the Processionals," Mendelssohn, played by Mrs. Cecil W. Robbins at the organ, and the singing of the hymn, "Now Thank We All Our God," Rev. Kelly J. Wilson, Jr. gave the invocation.

The Chapel Choir rendered as an anthem, "Praise Ye The Lord," by Cesar Franck, and as an offertory, "For My Soul Thirsteth For God" by Mendelssohn.

Dr. Robbins pronounced the benediction following which the speakers, faculty and graduates left the church as Mrs. Robbins played "Pomp and Circumstance" by Elgar.

Dr. Raymond Stone, president of the Louisburg College Alumni Association, presided at the banquet held Saturday evening in the Benjamin N. Duke College Union.

The theme of the banquet was "Learning to Learn."

Dr. D. E. Earnhardt, former Louisburg College president (1936-39), Trustee Emeritus, and Pastor at Ellis Chapel Methodist Church, Durham, spoke to the group, especially the 25th reunioning class of 1938, one of his classes.

Other reunioning classes were the Golden Agers Club, classes of 1913, 1937 and 1939.

Mr. Avery Dennis gave the welcome to which Mrs. Ruth McWhorter Pender responded.

Dean John York presented the 1962-63 graduates for membership in the Alumni Association.

Mr. C. Ray Pruette, senior sponsor, announced the following permanent class officers - Burnett Lewis, President; Betty O'Neal, Vice-President; Betty Lively, Secretary; and Skipper Holt, Treasurer.

## Passes House

# County Pay Bill Goes To Senate

Franklin County Representative James D. Speed introduced a bill into the General Assembly Monday night providing for a referendum in Franklin on the election of Mayor and Commissioners.

Full details on the bill, HB 1129, were not available at press time, however it is understood that the bill provides for the establishment of districts or so-called wards for the purpose of electing the commissioners.

In other action in the General Assembly affecting Franklin County, Senate Bill 464, introduced by Senator W. M. Jolly, revising and updating the charter of the Town of Bunn, passed in the House Monday night, thereby becoming law; and HB 1129, introduced by Representative Speed on May 27 relating to the salaries of certain officials of Franklin County, passed the House on May 31 and went over to the Senate.

This bill, however, faces almost certain revision in the Senate to include Register of Deeds office personnel specifically exempt in the House version.



Gas Fired Booze Plant

Still operators, Ralph White, key distillery uncovered, near left inset, and Lewis Edward Bunn by Federal ATTD Agents Young and their all-Copper whis-Friday morning. - Times Photo.

## County Fire Ranger Dies, Rites Held

Funeral services for County Forest Ranger Joseph Adolphus Pearce, were conducted from the Louisburg Methodist Church at 2 p.m. Monday by the Rev. Kelly J. Wilson, pastor, and the Rev. George Blount, burial followed in Oakwood Cemetery.

Pearce, 57, died at his home here early Sunday morning of a .38 caliber pistol wound of the right temple. Franklin Coroner James H. Edwards ruled the shooting suicide. He had been in declining health for some time.

As a member of District 5 of the N. C. Forestry Service, Pearce served as Chief Forest Ranger for Franklin County. He was a member of the Louisburg Methodist Church, the Louisburg Volunteer Fire Department, the Louisburg Auxiliary Police Force and an auxiliary Sheriff's Department deputy. He was a member of the Louisburg Lions Club and a former maintenance engineer at Franklin Memorial Hospital.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Lila Taylor Pearce; a son, Joe Pearce, Jr., of the home; nine sisters; Mrs. Gray R. King of Nashville; Mrs. Walter Cuthrell of Louisburg; Mrs. C. J. Tawes of Roanoke; Mrs. O. S. Williams of Autryville; Mrs. Fred Hale of Anaheim, Calif.; Mrs. Kyle Lambert of Kossimsee, Fla.; Mrs. Milton Bradley of Raleigh; Mrs. Charles Duvall of Sykesville, Md.; and Mrs. Walter Futch of Wilmington; five brothers: David O. Pearce of Rowland, Hugh R. Pearce of Raleigh, Ricks T. Pearce of Albuquerque, N. M., E. Ernest Pearce of Baltimore, Md., and Henry L. Pearce of Raleigh.

Pallbearers were Thomas Lee Pearce of Rowland, Hugh Randolph Pearce, Jr., Michael John Pearce and Jimmy Pearce, all of Raleigh, William John King of Nashville and Mickel Williams of Autryville, nephews of the deceased.

## Two Arrested In Raid On "All-Copper" Boozie Plant

By T. H. Pearce  
Federal officers from the Raleigh and Henderson Posts of the ATTD, took advantage of an early Friday morning fog to raid a whiskey still three miles east of Bunn.

would produce between 15 and 20 cases of white whiskey. Young to the pre-heating system, they stated that it would take about 2 hours to run the first charge. See RAID Page 6

The raiders were evidently spotted by a dog at the swampy area surrounding the plant the dog set up a frenzied barking. One of the two men operating the still walked up the path to see what the dog was barking at and walked right into the hands of the feds. He let out a yell, but the bottled gas burner back at the still was making so much racket that his co-worker knew nothing was amiss until he was grasped firmly by the long arms of the law.



Dairy Princess

Miss Louisburg, Skyler Odum, left, places crown on head of Jane Wilson following her selection as Franklin County Dairy Princess here Friday. - Times Photo.

## County Dairy Princess Chosen

Jane Wilson, 18 year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Wilson of Louisburg, Route 4, was crowned Dairy Princess of Franklin County Friday night.

First runner up in the contest was 18 year-old Donna Blackley of Route 2, Franklinton, and second runner-up was Diana Faye Weidon, 17 of Louisburg, Route 3.



Asphalt Tank Truck Blaze

Louisburg Volunteer firemen attack blazing hot liquid asphalt spraying machine and truck at the Public Works Garage here Friday. Damage was confined to the spraying machine and truck, both of which will be put back into service following repairs.

## Fire Damages Asphalt Truck

A hot asphalt spraying machine used in street paving work overflowed and caught fire while being reloaded at the town Public Works Garage here Friday afternoon causing damages estimated at between \$500 and \$1,000.

Public Works Superintendent S. C. "Buster" Foster said that workers had just refilled the asphalt tank on the machine and were bringing it up to spraying temperature when it boiled over without warning and caught fire.

The some several hundred gallons of hot liquid asphalt sent a huge cloud of dense black smoke billowing into the sky that was visible for miles away and gave the appearance that the entire town facility was ablaze.

Local volunteer firemen, however, extinguished the fire promptly with two pre-connected inch and a half fog lines from their new \$17,000 Seagrave fire engine.

## Summer Session Begins June 10

The first session of the 1963 Summer School at Louisburg College will get underway on June 10 with registration from 8 to 10 a.m. The first session ends July 16 and the second session begins July 18 and ends August 23.

We know a man who believes in the complete economic emancipation of women; he thinks that his wife has as much right to support the family as he has.