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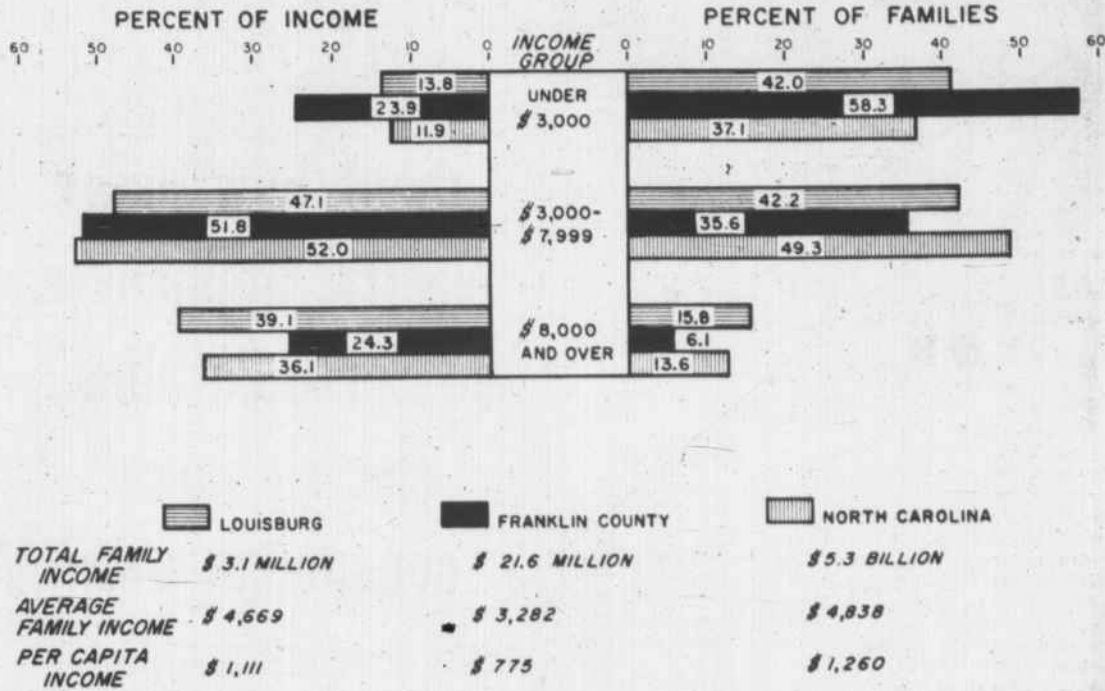
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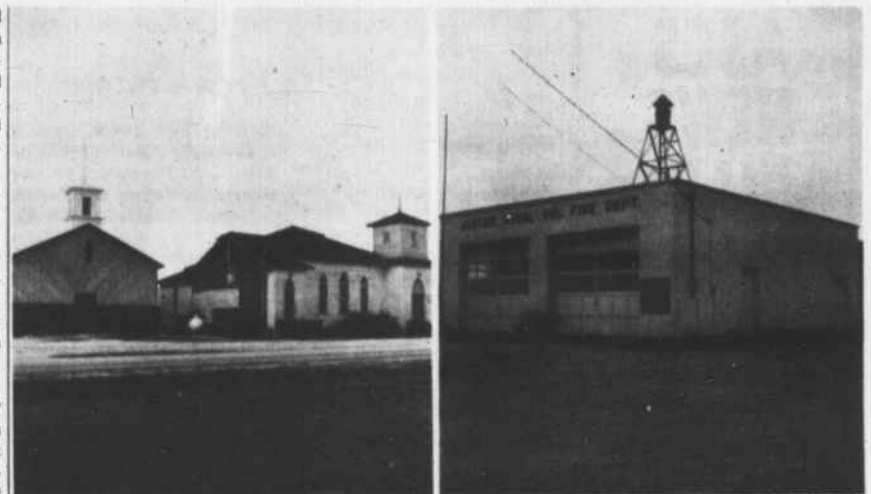
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Justice Is Top Community In County Judging

Justice Community topped competition in the Franklin County Community Development program in judging held last Thursday. Four communities in the county participated in the Capital Area Development program in 1963. As the first place winner in county competition, Justice will have the honor of representing Franklin County in the seven-county Capital Area judging on November 11th. The seven counties representing the Capital Area are Franklin, Vance, Warren, Halifax, Wake, Granville and Johnston.



Justice Community Projects

Construction of a new Duke Memorial Church (to left of old church) and the Justice Rural Fire Department are two of the many community improvements that won the coveted Community Development Award for the Justice Community last week. Photo courtesy County Agent's Dept.

Part One Of A Series

Louisburg: Population And Style Of Life

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At the turn of the century, Franklin County had a population of 25,116 and Louisburg had 1,178. During the following 60 years neither the county nor the town experienced much growth. The county had only 3,639 more people in 1960 than in 1900 and the town increased by 1,684 people during the same period.

During the past decade, the number of rural farm people declined by 1/3; and in 1960 for the first time, farm people represented less than half of the total county population.

Since nonagricultural employment opportunities are not increasing at the rate which employment opportunities in agriculture are shrinking, many Louisburg and Franklin County residents are moving out of the county to seek better economic opportunities elsewhere.

Out-migration was much greater for the county than for Louisburg. More than 7,000 people left the county during the decade. Two thirds of those leaving were Negroes. Instead of having fewer people in 1960 than in 1950, Franklin County would have had almost 5,000 more people in 1960 if it were not for out-migration.

As an aid in planning for the future, it is helpful to project past trends into the future to show where they lead and what their consequences may be if continued. Using a computer to analyze population, the Division of Community Planning has produced an estimate of the 1970 and 1980 populations for the counties in North Carolina.

Rather than experiencing a loss, Louisburg is expected to have a slight gain in population over the next 2 decades. Louisburg residents are expected to number 3,100 by 1970 and 3,300 by 1980. This will amount to an increase of 20 people each year over the next 20 years. If Louisburg is to attain the small growth projected for the next 2 decades, there will have to be a gain in the number of noncollegiate residents in the town.

STYLE OF LIFE

In this section only 2 areas or measurers of the standard of living will be covered. They are education and income. Both of these measurers of the standard of living are interrelated. As a general rule, the people with more education have more income and, conversely those with little education have less income.

At first glance, Louisburg appears to rank high in educational attainment. However, when the Louisburg College students, who are also considered as residents of Louisburg, are excluded, a different picture emerges. Only one noncollegiate resident in four has a high school education and over half have less than an eighth

grade education. While two out of three Negroes have only an eighth grade education or less, two out of five White noncollegiate residents are in no better position.

The low level of educational attainment for noncollegiate Louisburg residents may be attributable to the fact that a large portion of the people are over 54 years old. Whatever the reason, the low level of educational attainment is something that must be overcome if the town is to be successful in

competing with other areas for job opportunities.

Although average family income and per capita income compare very favorably with similar averages for the State, Louisburg does have many families with small incomes. More than 1/3 of the total family income in Louisburg is earned by less than 16% of the families. Even though Negro families represent almost 1/3 of the total number of families, they earn only 14% of the total family income.

Residents of Franklin County on an average have more income than the rural residents of Louisburg Township, but not nearly as much as the urban residents.

Considering the low incomes, 42% of 659 families earn less than \$3,000 annually, received by many people from Louisburg and adjacent areas, it is not surprising that many people left during the 50's seeking better economic opportunities elsewhere.



Water Main Repair

Workers push water main repair Sunday following break that left residents of Franklinton with little or no water for a period Sunday. Tree roots were credited with causing the break in the main water supply line. - Times Photo.

New Police Cruiser Damaged In Crash

Louisburg's spanking new police cruiser got its rear end stove in late Saturday—just one day after going into service. Louisburg Chief of Police William T. Dement said that the new cruiser was being operated by Officer T. B. Bottom, when a car operated by Charlie Edward Carroll, 25 year-old Route 2, Spring Hope negro, crashed

into the rear of the car and fled. Carroll was chased down and apprehended by Officer Earl Tharrington on Market Street. He was charged with speeding, careless and reckless driving, following too closely, hit and run, operating a car without proper financial responsibility and improper registration.

Dement said the negro was running a 1959 license plate on the car at the time of the accident in the vicinity of the depot hill on South Main Street. Damages were estimated at \$200 to the police car and \$150 to Carroll's car.

High Soviet official censured for laxity.

The four Franklin County communities participating in the Community Development competition in 1963 were: Justice, Epsom, Cedar Rock, and Moulton-Ingleside. The communities were judged according to their accomplishments in four general departments: (1) Increasing income, (2) Home improvements, (3) Youth work and (4) Community projects. The people of Justice Community, under the leadership of Mrs. Nell Boone, have done an outstanding job in youth work and in creating an excellent spirit of community cooperation, the judges stated.

The residents of all four communities were commended for their good work in making their communities better places to live.

Judges for the Franklin County Development Contest this year were: A. S. Hardee, Asso. Agri. Extension Agent of Granville County, Miss Eugenia White, Home Economist for Carolina Power and Light Co., and Mr. Dave Fuller, Agricultural Engineer for Carolina Power and Light Co.

Ceremonies To Honor Retiring Sgt.

Ceremonies marking the retirement of M/Sgt. James A. Johnson will be held by the local Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, N. C. Army National Guard at the Armory here Thursday night beginning at 7:30 p.m. The public is invited to attend.

Sgt. Johnson, a U. S. Mail city carrier for Louisburg, first enlisted in the National Guard as a private in 1937, serving in old Battery B, 113th Field Artillery until 1940. During World War II he served with the U. S. Army postal service on Guam in the South Pacific and upon his discharge in 1946 rejoined the National Guard. In 1954 he was commissioned a Warrant Officer and served as unit administrator of the local Headquarters Battery until he resigned the following year and re-enlisted as a Master Sergeant, serving until his retirement from active duty in July 1963.

Variety Show

The Youngsville Fire Department will sponsor Central Prisoner's Varieties at Youngsville High School Friday night at 8 p.m.

Fire Supper

The Centerville Fire and Rescue Service will sponsor a barbecue supper at the fire station Saturday, November 9, from 2 until 8 p.m.

Bunn Voters Favor ABC Store

Citizens of the Town of Bunn voted 84 to 53 in favor of establishing an ABC outlet Saturday.

Bunn Mayor Wayne Winstead said that 137 of the town's 150 registered voters turned out for the election, authorized by the 1963 General Assembly. Town officials hope to have the store in operation before the first of

the year. Bunn thus becomes the third municipality within otherwise legally dry Franklin County to

establish liquor control stores. Both Louisburg and Franklinton have operated ABC stores for a number of years.

PCA Slates 30th Annual Meeting

When J. O. Wilson calls the meeting to order at the Franklin County Courthouse on Saturday Morning, November 9, 1963 at 10:30 a.m., he will be presiding with distinction over the Thirtieth Annual Stockholders Meeting of the Louisburg Production Credit Association.

Wilson is the sole Charter Member remaining with PCA. He owns stock certificate No. 1 for the first share of stock ever purchased by a member. In addition to this unique situation Mr. Wilson has been a Director and the President of the Association throughout its entire thirty-year life.

Wilson and only twenty-one other members remain from the 246 who were served by the Association during its first year of operation. The sum of \$92,380 was lent that first year. Last year the amount was \$1,245,262 in loans closed with a peak volume including intermediate-term loans of \$1,403,464 on August 30. This year the loans closed figure will be approximately \$1,400,000 with a peak volume of \$1,588,934 which occurred on August 30. The amount of loans from organization through October 31, 1963 was \$19,726,584.88.

Barn Burns

A tobacco barn and shelter fire on the Charlie Batton place near Bunn around 3 a.m. Saturday is being probed for evidence of arson.

Franklin Sheriff Joe W. Champion said that thus far the cause of the fire had not been established, but that it was only four miles from two definitely established arson cases on the W. P. Murray farm last week. Batton is the father of Deputy Sheriff David Batton, who had farmed the property this year, the Sheriff said.

Water Main Bursts At Franklinton

A break in the main line between the filter plant and town left residents of a large portion of Franklinton without water Sunday afternoon.

Town Maintenance Superintendent Wilson Vaughan said that the break in the almost 40 year-old line was noted shortly after 8 a.m. and that work was begun almost immediately to replace the section of 6 inch pipe which necessitated shutting down the pumps and cutting off the flow of water to the town.

Water stored in the tank just south of town proved sufficient to meet demands until about 1:30 when officials said they began receiving the first reports from residents in the higher elevations to the effect that water pressure was dropping or non-existent.

Regular town employees were assisted by a local plumbing contractor in replacing the ruptured section of pipe, a task which required some 8 hours of hard labor. The repairs were completed and normal pumping operations were resumed at 4:40 p.m.

Supt. Vaughan said the break was caused by roots from a large tree which had forced the pipe up and out of place. Town Officials, who have long been aware of the town's critical need for improved water facilities, said that it was fortunate that the break occurred on Sunday—a time when the mills, the town's largest water consumers, were idle, and that no fires occurred during the time.



J. O. Wilson

Local Leaf Market To Close 20th

The Louisburg Tobacco Board of Trade, at a meeting held today, set the closing date for the 1963 season on Wednesday, November 20, according to James D. Speed, secretary to the Board.

Speed stated that the market has already exceeded all expectations in quantity and price this season, with two weeks still left, which should carry the volume considerably in excess of the total sales of the 1962 season.

Due to adverse weather conditions, the crop was much shorter in quantity and quality than that of the previous season; however, the Louisburg Market has experienced a very successful season.