

Generally fair and cold today and tonight. Low, 24; high, 49. Increasing cloudiness and somewhat warmer Wednesday.



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For "Aunt Abby" Series:

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The annual Times Christmas Greetings issue will be published on Monday, December 23, this year. Although the issue will carry a Tuesday, December 24 dateline, the issue

will be actually printed and mailed the day before. The absolute deadline for holiday greeting and all other advertisements for this issue is 12 nooh Friday, December 20. The Thursday, December 26 issue will be suspended and the

Times office will be closed December 24, 25, 26 and 27 in

order that employees may enjoy

Army Capt. Benard S. Per-

gerson, Jr., whose wife, Jane, lives at 406 Mitchell Avenue,

Franklinton, N. C., received

the Christmas Holidays

Awarded Air

Medal In

Vietnam



**BurMil Dragon** 

The 150 foot long fire and to the delight of the many youngsmoke breathing Burlington sters in what was probably the Mills Dragon chases would-be highlight of the parade. - Times slayers down the parade route Photo.

# **Thousands See Franklinton Parade In Perfect Weather**

People, young and old, turned bands from Oxford, Henderson, expressed its appreciation to out by the thousands in crisp, Wake Forest and Knightdale as everyone, participants and but near perfect weather Thurs-day night for the Franklinton of gally decorated floats with the event such a success, and Merchants Association's an- pretty girls,

nual Christmas Parade. Estimates of the crowd on hand for the event ranged from 8 to 15,000, but it was evident that the throng enjoyed the entire procession of over half a hundred entries.

A spokesman for the Association said that they were more than pleased with the turnout. The mile long cavalcade was lead by the American Legion Color Guard and the Louisburg High School Band and was followed up by a float bearing jolly old Saint Nicholas and about 100 fancily dressed members of the Franklinton Saddle Club and their mounts. Probably the biggest hit of

parade, so far as the the spectators were concerned, was the spectacular entry of Franklinton Fabrics. This was a fire and smoke snorting dragon some 150 feet in length which chased would-be dragon slayers down the parade route. Also a bir hit with the children was WRAL-TV's Captain 5 and his Rocket Ship. There was also an attractive float from Long Meadow Dairies and

# Commissioners Name New

stated that they were looking The Merchants Association forward to next year's event

Becky Wilson

**County Elementary Contest Winners** 

The Annual Franklin County Charlie Hobgood of Louisburg, Elementary Recitation-Decla-mation Contest was held in the Pearce of Edward Best Ele-Louisburg High School Audi- mentary School and C. L. torium on December 5 at 7:00 Wrenn of Youngsville High O'Brien. p.m. with seven schools repre- School.

**Pearce Wins Top** Smithwick Award

Raleigh -- Thilbert H. Pearce

of Franklinton, special writer, photographer and columnist for Felating to local history or biothe Smithwick Cup Competition Carolina publication between The Franklin Times, has won for 1963 for the articles on Nov. 15 and Nov. 15 of each 'Aunt Abby House, Angel to year. the Confederacy."

evaluated by a committee. Con-The presentation of a replisidered in judging articles are ca of the Smithwick Cup was their appropriateness, importmade at the 22nd annual meetance, accuracy, readability, and ing of the North Carolina Soarrangement. ciety of County and Local Historians in Raleigh Saturday. Dr. Nariwell Robinson, presi-dent of the society, presented the award to pearce. petition went to Mrs. Margaret McMahan of Fayetteville for-

The Franklin County writer won second place in the competition last year. The Smithwick Award, estab-

lished by the late Dr. D. T. **Pruette Speaks** At Wake

# **Electric Dinner**

topic of the talk Mr. C. Ray Pruette, of Franklinton, pre-Wake Electric Membership Franklin County to the cause Corporation.

Mr. J. J. Hart at the meeting held in the Southeastern Cafe- Abby made the unexpected the held in the Southeastern spoke of expected. teria, Wake Forest, spoke of expected. the transformations that "She crossed enemy lines on the was a

Christmastide makes in man. deeds of mercy. She was a Generally speaking, man is a close friend of Gov. Vance and chemically put-together mass, other leaders of our state durdaily going about its business, ing that period of its history," until the Christmas geason comes along and transforms "Needless to say, Aunt Abby

man into a more spiritual being was considered a character and that is of infinite worth in the became something of a legend eyes of the Maker. Christmas in her own time. However, as lifts us out of our every day the years passed Aunt Abby was life and gives a new perspec-tive on life, Mr. Pruette con- "Mr. Pearce's articles have

cluded. Mr. J. L. Shearon, corporation of Aunt Abby's popularity and,

cation was given by Mr. H. L. said.

Following introductions of terest in his county's history is 14."

### Award Presented

T. H. Pearce of Franklinton, left, is of duty. shown receiving the Smithwick Cup for the He is a 1950 graduate of best historical article appearing in a news- Franklinton High School and a paper during the past year from Dr. Black-well Robinson during the meeting of the His parents live in Franklin-N. C. Society of County and Local His- ton. torians in Raleigh Saturday.

(Photo by Charles Dunn)

**Bureau Prexy States** Little Federal Plan Fair For Everyone .

The president of the Franklin government payments and in-County Farm Bureau said here come from sale of farm products. Economic specialists, this week that it would be "a serious backward step for he said, report that each agri-Franklin County's economy if cultural dollar is multiplied seven times as it moves through the state is ever ruled by urban legislators." the

President Melvin Nelms sub-""This is too important a part mitted that urban rule is a of our economy to be entrusted "real and serious threat un- to people who don't understand less the reapportionment a- or care about farming." The mendment passes on January Franklin County Farm Bureau

president said. Sented. First place honors went to Jones of Edward Best High Mr. N. C. Brummitt gave the the result of his work merits called "Little Federal Plan"-- agricultural income for 1962,

NEWS RIPPS

# Approved

The Louisburg City Council Friday night voted to enter into a contract with the County of Franklin to operate the county-wide alarm radio control center for a period of ne year.

## Wanted Quiet

Rochester, N. Y .-- A city employee, inspecting a water main a 25-foot-deep manhole. man sound asleep.



#### articles appearing in the Fayetteville Observer. The third place award went to Lewis. Philip Hall of Wilmington for an article in the Raleigh News & Observer. In addition to receiving replica of the Smithwick Cup, Pearce's name will be engraved on the original Smithwick Cup

which is retained by the Society. In announcing the award to Pearce, Charles Dunn of Durham, chairman of the Smith-

given annually for the best

newspaper or magazine article

graphy appearing in a North

The articles submitted are

Second place in the 1963 com

wick, Cup Awards Committee, pointed out that almost a year had been spent in research for "Transformations" was the the story on Aunt Abby House, He added, "The subject of the story, Aunt Abby, was one of sented at the annual Christmas the more colorful and most dinner, Thursday evening, for unique contributions made by of the Confederacy a hundred

Mr. Pruette, introduced by years ago. An independent and somewhat strange woman, Aun

undoubtedly brought back some

manager, presided at the to some extent, have restored dinner, giving the welcome and her to her proper place in making announcements. Invo- Franklin County history," Dunn

"Mr. Pearce's painstaking in-











The County Commissioners Thursday filled vacancies on Agency staffs.

Harold Alton Stegall, of Warren County, was appointed to Gordon East of Franklinton and School. the post of Assistant Farm Agent at a starting salary of \$5,800 annually, and Mrs. Bernice Stone Harris was appointed Assistant Home Economics Agent at a starting salary of \$5,300 annually.

Both of the new appointees were recommended to the posts by the District Extension Service.

Board Chairman W. P. Childers appointed Commissioners Norris Collins and Claude Arnold to meet with the official boards of the towns of Franklinviding for breath tests for intoxication.

The Board also voted to extend the Christmas holiday for county employees through De- message from Santa Claus if cember 27 and set another meeting for December 18 to discuss the Surplus Food Pro-gram. 15 at 'North Pole 99701,' and use their own ZIP Codes in their return addresses," they ex-

### Contributions

cue Service this week.

both the Farm and Extension ham Lincoln's "Gettysburg Ad- Best Elementary, Gregory Col- lies and guests.

sented.

Bruce Honeycutt

Second place went to Mary Best of Edward Best High

Santa's Zip Code 99701 At Pole

The Post Office Department is the coursesy of the Postal Serv-getting together with Santa ice, will be a gaily-decorated Louisburg Police Patrolman Branch, Jackson and Lee were getting Claus this year to make sure card with an appropriate reply and Mrs. Charlie Lambert was the names of Franklin County reported much improved in Rex soldiers, whose families still North Pole get an answer from postal head noted. All that is Hospital in Raleigh today. the best-known citizen up there, required is the child's note to according to postmasters at Santa with regular 5¢ first class denly ill at her home early doubtedly created a greater fic deaths through 10:00 a.m. Louisburg and Franklinton to- postage on the envelope, to- Sunday morning and was taken family pride among some and Monday, December 9: ton and Louisburg with refer-ence to the state statute pro-day.

"Part of the Post Office ef- dress and return address,

children that they will receive a Christmas mailing early.

they write to him by December plained.

The enlistment of Mr. ZIP as burg High School is one of most 6,800 students for the cial aid, Santa Clabs' newest helper be- 870 outstanding students of high NCTE citation. The NC came a familiar fact to children school English in the country. In announcing the winners, ners and runners-up scrolls of of Louisburg, N. C.

The Service this week. New York, the 0. 5, Postar of English teachers from the high vious years, 99% of the Awards for the college of the college is the largest their choice. Approximately and Mrs. William C. Dent. New York, the 0. 5, Postar of teachers from the high vious years, 99% of the Awards of the college of the college of the college is the largest their choice. Approximately and Mrs. Mamile B, Clayton have applying for been Franceine's English in-

Becky Wilson of Louisburg who School, Betty Bowers of Gold president's message.

recited "A Day at the Beach," Sand, Deborah Lancaster of Present for the dinner were for 1963."

# Policeman's **Child Shows** Improvement

The child was stricken sud-

Louisburg Rescue Service.

him the Smithwick Cup Award would reduce house member-for 1963." he noted, was \$1,362,080,554. Ship from 120 to 100, giving It increased \$90,089,917, over

recited "A Day at the Beach," Said, Debot at Lancaster of and Bruce Honeycutt of Bunn, Alice Lowery of Youngs-Franklinton declaiming Abra-ham Lincoln's "Gettysburg Ad-Best Elementary, Gregory Col-lies and guests. part played by Franklin County seats being allotted on a popugress "would have been erased men after the Battle of Seven lation basis. Pines and included Gen. Jeb "This plan gives fair repre-Stuart's first ride around Mc- sentation to everybody," said legislators who had only urban Clellan.

At that time it was stated, er urban or rural control. Bas-Nelms, quoting agricultural \*Pearce's articles were unique ing one house on area and the Extension Service estimates, among those submitted for this other on population is nothing cited the following 1962 in-contest in that they associated other than a fair solution." history with people living Nelms cited the fact that today." Franklin County's estimated Franklin County's estimated duced in Franklin County: To-

"Mingled with state and Con- agricultural income for 1962 bacco --\$13,923,300; Cotton-federate leaders like Vance, was \$18,910,414. This includes \$824,024; Hogs -- \$700,000;

### Boxscore

Department's summary of traf- said, "and legislators must un-

major farm commodities pro-

Poultry and Eggs--\$938,00.  $^{\prime\prime}\, \rm Producing$  and marketing these crops is a specialized Raleigh -- The Motor Vehicles | and complex business," Nelms

> derstand our problems 11 Franklin County's farming is to stay on a firm economic

Franceine Perry

KILLED TO DATE 1250 footing."

KILLED TO DATE LAST YEAR 1237

Eat Marijuana

Los Angeles--County clerks found that mice had eaten their fill of narcotics stored as evidence when they made a routine check in the storeroom. So hyped-up were the mice that they turned on the men and growled.

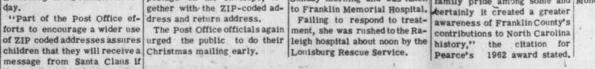
They sought advice on how to prevent the rodents from de-stroying valuable evidence, and, after several remedies they decided to call the county exterminator. Polson was applied and the problem was solved.

Church-going is one of the hallmarks of a proper community spirit, among other things.

School. Franceine's parents

Louisburg Rescue Service Day when TV network viewers ers of English has named her character in the traditional more contributions to the Res-net a namual Achievement Awards more contributions to the Res-the to the traditional to the traditional competition. In announcing the winners, ners and runners-up scrolls of the stational free contributions to the Res-the traditional council of Teachers of English, said council also sends the names to the re-the traditional council of trackers of the students for college of these students to their re-the traditional council of trackers of the students of the students of the students of the students of the sendents of the students of these students for college of these students to their re- its 80,000 members and sub-New York, the U.S. Postal of- Last spring a committee of scholarships in 1964. In pre- spective congressmen and scribers among English teach-

"The idea and the effort un-



Nelms, "and provides for neith- interests at heart."

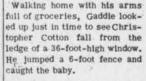
Ralph Harris, 40, climbed out

of the manhole and sat down hy a tree and proceeded to fall asleep again.

When questioned by police Harris said he had a fight with his wife and "wanted to get away from her for awhile."

### **Catches Baby**

Albany, Calif .-- It was the quick thinking of Bass Gaddie who saved a 19-month-old baby from what might have been a fatal fall.





Franceine Perry of Louis- nation's schools nominated al- scholarships received finan- structors at Louisburg High

The NCTE sends to all win- are Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Perry