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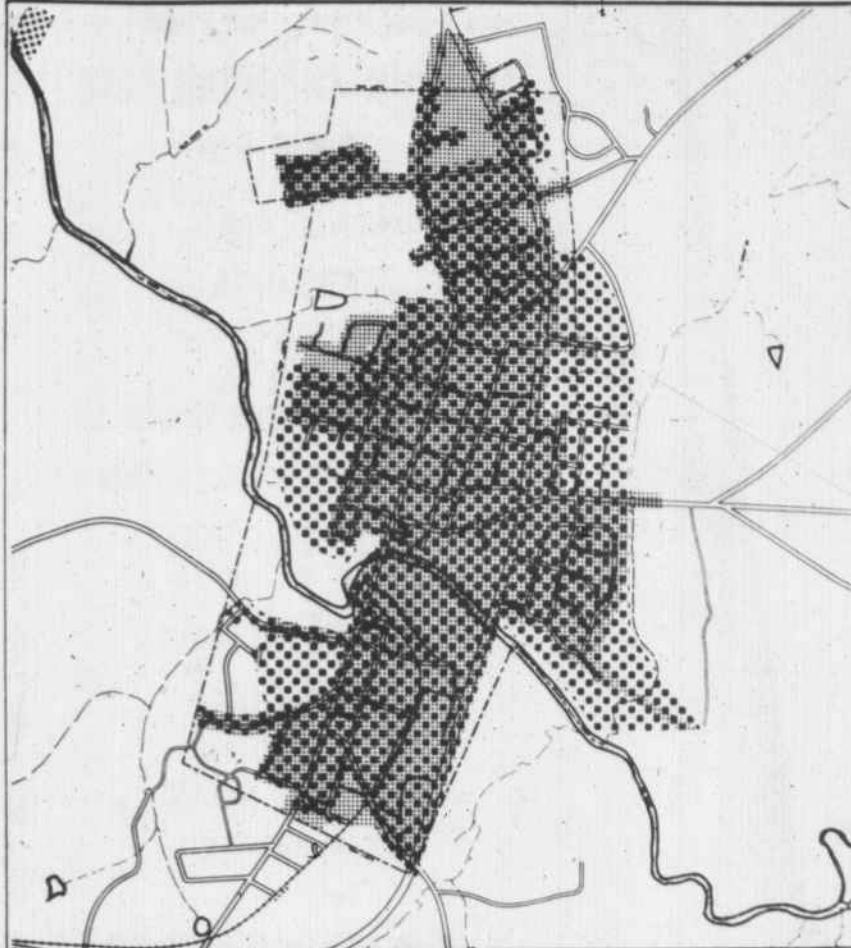
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Water And Sewer Coverage

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Louisburg Series:

Public Utilities Here Have Reached Acceptable Standard

by Tod J. Kilroy, Community Planner

After considerable construction of new sewer and water lines and the renovation of the existing water treatment plant, Louisburg's public utilities have now reached an acceptable standard.

There are three different types of utility coverage. First, there are the areas served only by water found north of the Franklin Memorial Hospital and behind Louisburg College. Secondly, the areas covered by sewer extends much further from the town limits in the east and west than do the water facilities. The last type is that of the combined coverage which is the most predominant case. Generally speaking, most of Louisburg is now served by sewer and water.

An area in which a large proportion of new construction has occurred and which is directly adjacent to the new high school is not served by public utilities. This particular area points out the fallacy of the policy which calls for the extension of utilities into an area after it has been built-up. Such installations are more costly; growth tends to be haphazard and spotty; vacant land tracts remain unproductive and create a burden on the tax base; and the Town is being guided rather than doing the guiding. This situation could have been avoided to a great extent if the Town

had encouraged development to be orderly, efficient, and economical by extending utilities into some of the larger vacant tracts of land.

Topography and the presence of rock on or beneath the surface will present additional

problems to utility extensions. But, the best solution to this utility problem would be to make test borings in prospective development areas and then determine the feasibility of extending sewer and water lines to these sections.



Flip Top Signs

Pictured above is one of the new flip top signs being experimented with by the State Highway Department in Western N. C. Top of sign folds over when it does not apply to conditions.

Old Truck Catches Fire

The gas tank of an old truck over at the Wake Forest Ready-Mix concrete plant here caught fire accidentally about noon Wednesday setting off a stubborn blaze.

Firemen said that workmen were in the process of cutting the body off the old truck when sparks from their torches set fire to the tank.

Firemen battled the flames for nearly 30 minutes with water and foam before bringing it under control.

Rescue Gift

The Louisburg Rescue Service this week acknowledged contributions of \$25 from Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Dennis and \$50 from Joyner Wholesale in Louisburg.

Hiway Department Erects Flip Top Sign

New signs are being installed throughout North Carolina as winter weather and icy roads continue to plague highway motorists. The diamond-shaped black on yellow signs are being posted by the North Carolina State Highway Commission in areas where freezing and dangerous conditions are cited.

Two signs have been designed which read: ICE ON ROAD and ICE ON BRIDGE. A convertible flap allows maintenance crews to display the sign when hazardous road conditions exist,

and to cover it when weather permits. Several of the specially designed warning signs have been posted in the western part of North Carolina, and will be posted throughout the state in the following months.

The design and installation of all highway traffic signs is the responsibility of the Traffic Department of the North Carolina State Highway Commission.

Good music often achieves surprising results.

To Seek Director's Post

Benton Steps Down As Commission Head

W. J. Benton tendered his resignation as Chairman of the Franklin County Industrial Development Commission to the Board of County Commissioners at a special meeting here yesterday, thus apparently paving the way for his possible selection as Executive Director of the agency.

In his letter of resignation, which was accepted by the Board, Benton said that his service had been a "rewarding experience and a pleasure". "The Commission," he said, "has an important and key role to perform in endeavoring to improve the present and future economic base in Franklin County and the members of the Commission are dedicated to the task of fulfilling this hope."

Benton, who has served as chairman of the Commission since the agency was established in July 1961, is understood to have agreed to let his name be put up for the post vacated by Gordon Zealand last month, and in so doing felt it necessary to resign from the Commission.

The Board also adopted a rather strong resolution favoring the so-called "Little Federal" plan for redistricting the N. C. General Assembly to be voted on in a statewide referendum on January 14, and renewed the lease on the Benjamin Franklin Boarding Home to Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Place.

Then they held a rather lengthy and detailed discussion with M. J. Pearce, Assistant Director N. C. D. A. Commodity Distribution Program; about the surplus food plan for needy families.

Indications are at this time that the Board is planning to join the some 47 other N. C. Counties in the free distribution of surplus foods to certified needy families just as soon as the necessary details can be worked out. Another meeting has been scheduled for December 23 to get deeper into the matter.

Department Reports On Road Work

Raleigh-- State Highway Commissioner Clifton L. Benson reports the completion of 24 road improvement projects in Durham, Granville, Person and Franklin Counties during the month of November.

In Durham County these roads were graded, drained and surfaced: 0.4 mile Mosedale Avenue; 0.46 mile Sheridan Drive and Huntington Court; 0.4 mile Cooksberry Drive; 0.7 mile Rich Road; 0.3 mile Sherbon Drive; 1.47 miles Kimberly, Nottaway, Leeds and Darwin; 0.4 mile Shaftsberry Drive, Newsome, Frazier, and 0.7 mile Country Club Drive.

These Granville County roads were graded, drained and surfaced: 1.5 miles Bennie Watkins; 0.16 mile Thorndale, south of City of Oxford; 2.4 miles Chewing Road; 0.7 mile Pope Road; 1.02 mile Reavis Road - addition; 2.65 miles Joe Curran Road; 0.42 mile Bob Daniel Extension.

In Person County these roads were graded, drained and surfaced: 0.89 mile Service Road, 3 miles south of Roxboro; 3.0 miles Willie Berry-Jim Jerce Road; 1.7 miles Flat River Church; 2.4 miles Gordonton Road; 0.08 mile School Street; 0.05 mile Walker Road; 2.2 miles Hattie Pulliam; 0.53 mile Poole Road Extension.

State Forces in Franklin County graded 0.7 mile of Jeffrey Drive near northeast city limits of Louisburg.



Winty Wash?

The backyard clothes line at Mr. and Mrs. Wilson O. Joyner's was heavy under the load of a real winty wash Tuesday as the result of a water pipe

bursting in the yard. Not too much water was lost, however, due to the extreme cold, which promptly froze the escaping water. -Times Photo

Growers Are Urged To Divert Feed-Grain Acres

The 1964 feed grain program can furnish the answer to some farm operator's questions about what to do with their land next year, according to John R. Davis, Office Manager, Franklin ASC County Committee.

If the farm has a feed grain base, the farm operator will be eligible to participate in the 1964 feed grain program, thus earning diversion payments by keeping land out of unneeded feed grain production and shifting it to conservation uses. "We're encouraging feed grain farmers to look into the advantages to be gained by taking part in the 1964 feed grain program," Davis declared.

"There are definite advantages to farm owners and operators in putting crop acres into conserving uses under the feed grain program instead of turning out crop production which only results in building up extra supplies.

"We've made good progress in the past few years in trying to cut back production of the feed grains so that our stocks will be in better balance with demand, but we're not in the clear yet. That's why Congress authorized continuation of the feed grain diversion program for 1964 and 1965.

"While the signup will not be held until early next year, the

main provisions of the 1964 program have already been announced. A farm operator can participate by diverting from 20 to 50 percent of his farm's feed grain base, with higher rates of payment for diversion greater than the minimum. And, of course, eligibility for price support on corn, grain, sorghum, and barley depends on participation in the feed grain program."

Mr. Davis suggests that farmers become fully familiar with advantages of the 1964 feed grain program before completing their crop plans for next year.

Local Lions Club Holds Annual Christmas Party

The Lions Club held its annual Christmas party Tuesday night at 7:00 in the Louisburg College Cafeteria.

During the meal parts of the basketball game between the Lions Club and the Jaycees was replayed on tape. May everyone be reminded that the tape was more interesting than the game.

After the meal, the Lions presented their wives and other guests.

Gifts were then presented to various guests. Even Tall-twister Alex Wood had to get in his two-cents worth. After a short resource of thanks from the district governor, Joe Smith, the program was turned over to Robert Versteeg, a faculty member at Louisburg College who entertained the group tremendously with a very humorous news report.

After the program ended members picked up their birthday calendars and began immediate distribution. May the club extend its hearty gratitude to those people who purchased a birthday calendar and may all the citizens of Franklin County experience a joyful Christmas and be filled with the spirit of God's love throughout Christmas and the new year.

One of the mightiest spectacles in Louisburg history was witnessed last Monday night in

Louisburg College Gymnasium. A small crowd marvelled and cheered as the Jaycees nipped the Lions Club in a hotly contested basketball game, 54-35.

Both clubs wish to express appreciation to every person who helped to make this game a success. The clubs especially thank Rock King and Al Fox, who were the unfortunate referees; Thilbert Pearce and Clint Fuller who taped the game; those people who sold tickets or worked at the concession stand; those who were responsible for the presentations of gifts to lucky spectators at the intermission; and, of course, the spectators.

Announces Candidacy For Dist. 2 Seat

John W. House, 59 year-old Route 1, Franklinton farmer, poultry and cattleman, Wednesday announced his candidacy for the District 2 seat on the Board of County Commissioners in the primaries next spring.

House will run for the seat now occupied by Commissioner Norris W. Collins, of Franklinton, who announced recently that he planned to run for the House of Representatives.

A member of Popes Chapel Christian Church, House is a former ASC Community Committeeman and served on the ASC County Committee for 4 years. He is currently a member of the County Farm Bureau Board of Directors.

District 2 is composed of Youngville and Franklinton Townships.

Advertisement for Christmas seals with text: 4 SHOPPING DAYS LEFT, CHRISTMAS SEALS fight TB and other RESPIRATORY DISEASES.

Sen. Jolly Speaks To Ygsville Lions

Youngsville--Senator Wilbur Jolly was guest speaker at the monthly dinner meeting of the Youngville Lions Club on Tuesday, December 10.

Senator Jolly discussed the Constitutional Amendment to be voted on January 14, 1964.

He pointed out that twelve large counties of the state would now control the Senate. Also, he related that the Governor of North Carolina is the only governor who does not have veto power. Senator Jolly explained that it is desirable that the House of Representatives be based on geography rather than population, which would bring about a more balanced state government.

The business meeting was held prior to the Senator's talk. It was announced that the calendars had been received, and that they will be distributed by the members in the next few days. Members also voted to give the Christmas gifts for the blind in their community.

Lions Club members expressed their sincere appreciation for the valuable service that Rev. Grady Faulk had given the club during the past years. Rev. Faulk will be moving from the community in the new year.

Hunting Companion

Forestville, Wis. -- Gary Maedke, 16, takes his pet owl along when he goes crow hunting. The 2 birds are natural enemies, and the owl lures the black birds within shooting range.

Young Maedke found his owl after crows had raided a great horned owl's nest. Taking the bird home, he fed it and it has become an ideal pet.

Good Memory

Riverton, Wyo.--It had been nedy may project former President Eisenhower actively into the search for a 1964 Presidential nominee.

Although Eisenhower has disclaimed any desire to become a king-maker, the former President recognizes that the Republican situation has changed so rapidly as to invite efforts to get the kind of moderate candidate he believes can win.

Goldwater's Views

Washington, D. C.--Republican Sen. Barry Goldwater is undertaking to reassess his presidential prospects now that the whole political picture has changed.

The Arizonian, who ranked No. 1 among potential Republican nominees, in public opinion polls said: "I don't think my support has changed from what it was." But sized up his prospects in what he called "a new ball game with a new pitcher."

Chicken War Over

The year-old chicken war between the United States and the European Common Market ended when President Johnson ordered sharp tariff increases on brandy, trucks, dextrine and potato starch.

This action was to compensate the United States for \$26 million of poultry exports affected by the Common Market levies.