

Weather

Mild with showers and possible thunderstorms today. Low, 58; high, 66. Friday, clearing and cooler.

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Annual Democratic Dinner To Be Held Here Saturday

Rep. James D. Speed, Chairman of the Franklin County Democratic Executive Com-



Edmund Harding

mittee said he is expecting over 350 people to attend the Annual Jefferson-Jackson Dinner here Saturday night. Edmund H. Harding, the "Tar Heel Humorist" is to be the main speaker.

Harding is widely known for his humor and has spoken in all 50 states. Speed said he felt the group was fortunate in being able to obtain such an outstanding speaker for this occasion.

State Democratic Chairman, W. Lunsford Crews and his wife, from Roanoke Rapids will attend the dinner along with other party notables, including other state leaders.

The dinner will be held in the College Cafeteria Saturday, March 28, at 6:30.

Demonstration On Land Work Slated For Tues.

A land smoothing demonstration will be held on Mrs. John Wheelers farm on Tuesday, March 21, 1964. The demonstration will get started about 10:00 a.m. and continue through the afternoon.

Land smoothing is performed on land in order to get parallel terraces established. It also gives a more uniform row drainage.

Special equipment, a land plane, will be used along with farm tractor size "pans or

scoops". The pans will be used for moving soil from depressions to areas where soil is thin or eroded.

Information concerning land planes and pans pulled by farm size tractors will be available from dealer at the demonstration.

Mrs. Wheelers farm is located about 7 miles east of Louisburg on Highway 56, between Louisburg and Edward Best School.

Local Band Rated Excellent

The Louisburg High School Band received a rating of "Excellent" at the close of last week end's State-Eastern Band Contest at East Carolina College. The rating is another in a long line of recognition received by the Band. There were nine bands participating in the contest.

Three of the bands were rated "Superior"; six were given certificates designating ratings of "Excellent."

Bands rated "Superior" and their directors were: Clinton High School, Edward W. Taylor; Rocky Mount Sr. High School, Frank M. Hammond; Washington High School, James V. Larkin.

"Excellent" certificates went to these bands and directors: John A. Wilkinson High School, Belhaven, Mrs. Iris Leary; Dunn High School, Ernest G. Black; Elizabethtown High School, Ray B. Haney; Louisburg High School, Bob Watson; Hobbs High School of Newton Grove, Russell S. Hieb; Pike High School of Wilson, Andrew C. Preston.

The annual event, an all-day affair, was sponsored by the North Carolina Music Educators Association. George W. Knight of the East Carolina School of Music faculty was in charge of the day's events.

Other bands participating in the annual contest represented Benson High School, Fairmont High School and Robersonville High School.

The business man who tries something and fails and then gets busy for another trial will someday make the grade.

Easter Sales Top Last Year

Easter sales are well ahead of last year according to reports from a survey of local merchants. One local department store owner said, "Sales are not bad at all. We're

selling more shoes than before. Most of our sales are in ladies' and children's wear. We're selling a little to men."

Another dry goods manager said "We have



Makeup Looks Alright.

Dress Is Straight . . .



O. K., I'm Ready. . . .

I Like Easter.

Little girls and big girls alike must look their best at Easter-time. This has caused an increase in local sales over last year, according to a survey of

merchants. The charming little miss above is Julie Debnam, 2-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Owen C. "Joe" Debnam of Louisburg. -Times Staff Photo.

Dean Says Income Can Be Up

Franklin County farmers can increase their cotton income in 1964 says C. T. Dean, Jr., County Extension Chairman.

Dean said that 8,328 planted acres in 1963 brought in a gross income of \$1,344,972. Franklin County farmers are making plans to plant over 10,000 acres of cotton this year.

Today North Carolina cotton farmers are setting their sights on producing and selling two or more bales of high quality cotton per acre. To accomplish this goal, a complete program must be followed. The following ten point program is designed to assist you in producing and marketing the maximum in quality and yields:

- 1. Field Selection-Highest cotton yields are made on high fertility soils with a deep plow layer overlying clay subsoil. 2. Soil Preparation-Cotton responds favorably to proper soil preparation. Break land to a minimum of 8 inches about a month before planting. In event of soil "baking" or packing disk or harrow lightly before planting. 3. Seed and Planting-Good seed is the first requirement for healthy plants and a proper planting procedure is the first

requirement toward satisfactory stands. Choose a variety adaptable to the area and plant registered or certified seed. The normal seeding rate should be enough seed to insure a final stand of 4-6 strong stalks per foot of row.

4. Fertilization-Cotton has high fertility and lime requirements. Soil PH should be 5.8 to 6.3 for maximum production. For average soils use 250# 10-20-20 or 500# 5-10-10. The sidedressing recommendations would be 60# potash and 45-60 pounds of nitrogen.

5. Weed Control--Use of chemicals in combination with mechanical means provide more efficient control of weeds in cotton. Early and complete control is closely related with profitable yields.

Closings

Mrs. Juanita Pleasants, Secretary of the Louisburg Business Association, announced that many of the Association member businesses will be closed all day Monday. Mrs. Pleasants said the Association Board met Tuesday night to discuss the matter.

often cause poor germination, post-emergence dying and unthrifty plants. Select a wilt resistant variety and treat seed properly with an approved chemical.

7. Insect Control--Control of insects is a major factor in cotton production. Begin application of a recommended insecticide and continue at 5-day intervals until 4 applications are made. Resume applications of materials on or about July 24 and continue at 5-day intervals until cotton stops squaring.

8. Defoliation--Timely defoliation of cotton leaves is of economic importance to cotton production because of early harvest, dry lint and other advantages.

9. Harvesting--Harvest cotton early and keep it clean and dry.

10. Marketing--Have cotton classed by USDA Classing Office. The green card contains needed quality information.

Two field demonstrations on applying preplant chemicals for weed control in cotton will be held in Franklin County on Friday, March 27. The first will be in a field

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Moss Announces Candidacy For House Of Representatives

James T. "Joe" Moss of Youngsville has announced his candidacy for the House of Representatives from Franklin County.

A native of Franklin County, Moss is an honor graduate of North Carolina State College. Upon receiving his Master of Science Degree in 1949, he returned to Youngsville where he became associated with his father, W. T. Moss, in operating Mosswood Farms.

He is a lifelong Democrat, having served two terms as president of the Franklin County YDC. He has been a member of the Franklin County Soil Conservation Supervisors for 14 years, and is on the Franklin County Industrial Development Commission.

Currently he is serving as president of the N. C. Agricultural Foundation, vice-president of the N. C. Crop Improvement Association and vice-president of the N. C. Soil Conservation Supervisors.

Moss, a Mason, has also been active in church and civic affairs. He is a deacon and assistant Sunday School superintendent of the Youngsville Baptist Church. A former District Governor of Lions International, he served as State Promotions Chairman of the Lions International Convention in Nice, France.

In 1963, after being chosen the Outstanding Young Farmer of Franklin County and North



James T. Moss

Carolina, he was selected One of the Four Outstanding Young Farmers in the United States. He has been featured by the News and Observer as Tar Heel of the Week.

Moss is married to the former Margaret Bunn of Zebulon. They are the parents of three children; James Thomas, Jr., William Howard and David Bunn. Mrs. Moss is a member of the Wake Forest Elementary School Faculty.

Upon announcing his candidacy, Moss had this to say, "During the past few weeks I have received a tremendous amount of encouragement from all parts of Franklin County

to run for the House of Representatives. After careful and prayerful consideration I have decided to enter the Democratic primary.

I am not obligated to any individual or particular group and feel that I can fairly represent the people of Franklin County. My objective will be to serve the citizens of Franklin County to the best of my ability, and to support legislation which will make our County and State a better place in which to live."

Local Board Of Elections Appointed

The State Board of Elections appointed boards of elections in all 100 North Carolina counties last Friday. Appointed for Franklin County were: Taylor W. Boone, Rt. 4; H. T. Rogers, Rt. 1, Youngsville; both Democrats and Mrs. Wallace A. Pruitt, Rt. 2, Franklinton, Republican member.

The County Board of Elections will be in charge of the May 30th Democratic Primary as well as the general elections in November.



Alex T. Wood

Wood Files For Deeds Office

Veteran Register of Deeds, Alex Wood paid his filing fee Monday and announced he is seeking sixth term, in that office. Wood has been Register of Deeds for the past 23 years. A graduate of Edward Best High School, Wood attended Wake Forest College where he was a pre-med student.

Wood is 53 years old, and is married to the former Beryl Stallings of Pilot. He is a life long resident of Franklin County. He is a Past President of the Louisburg Lions Club and is present the Tail-twister. He is a past superintendent of the Junior Department of the Louisburg Baptist Church where he has served as a Sunday School teacher and a deacon.

The candidate is First Vice-President of the State Association of Registers of Deeds. He has been a member of the Red Cross Board, an advisory member of the Draft Board and a former first aid instructor. Wood is the only candidate thus far, for the Deeds Office. The filing fee paid by Wood was \$55.53 in seeking another four year term. The Democratic Primary will be on May 30th this year.

Shearin Issues Fire Warnings

Louisburg Fire Chief W. J. Shearin issued the following message this week as the spring fire season approaches:

Do the first touches of Spring give you a restless urge to get out of your house--to share a cup of coffee with the neighbor next door, do a bit of shopping, or run a quick errand?

Do it. But don't leave your small children alone in the house while you're off somewhere, says Fire Chief W. J. Shearin. Hundreds of children are killed by fire each year because parents gambled that nothing would happen while they were away "for a few moments."

The shocking fact, established by National Fire Protection Association studies, is that one child out of every three who die in fires was alone and helpless when the fire struck.

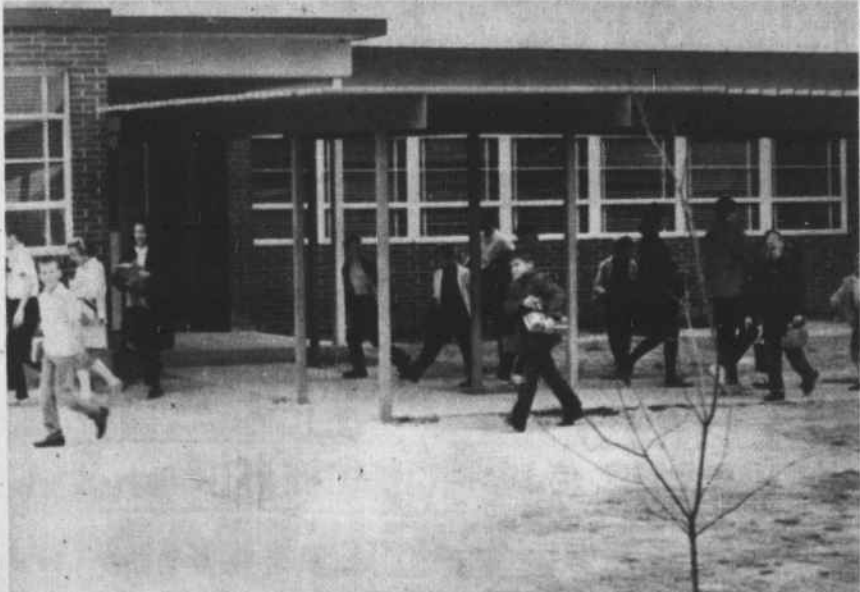
What causes fires? Sometimes it seems as if the fire was just waiting for the time when youngsters--could be trapped. More often it's the youngsters themselves who start the fires--playing with matches, turning on the kitchen stove to "cook," accidentally tipping over space heaters.

Small children are helpless in the face of such situations. Whenever you are tempted to run off for "just a few minutes" without the children, DON'T. Take them with you, or leave them home with a competent older family member or babysitter. Play it safe and you will never be sorry.

Women Voters To Hold Meet

The Louisburg League of Women Voters will hold its annual business meeting Tuesday, March 31, at 8:00 p.m. in the faculty parlor in the Main Building at Louisburg College.

The filmstrip, "A Woman's Place," will be shown prior to the business session.



Headed For Spring Holidays

Shown above, elementary school children at Louisburg's W. R. Mills Elementary Building, leaving school. Kids in the Franklin County School system

will have a long Easter Holiday, getting Friday and Monday off, making a four-day Spring Holiday.

-Times Staff Photo.