

Generally fair and somewhat warmer today. Mild with a chance of scattered showers Wednesday. High today, 85; low, 63.

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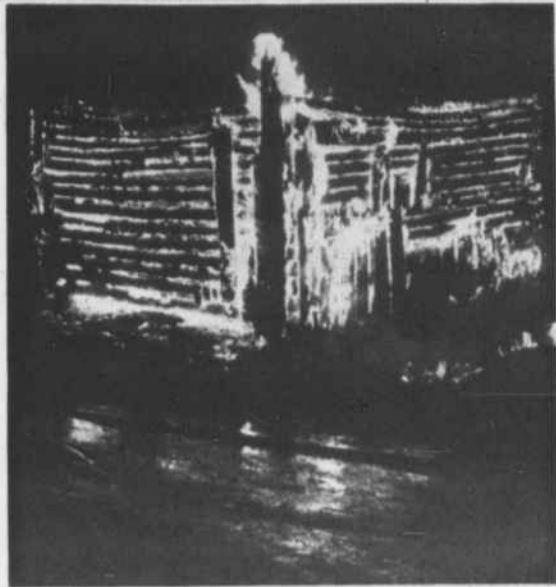
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### Barn Burns

Scene above is of barn burning on the "Doc" Cash farm a few miles east of Rdyal early Sunday night. The Bunn Fire Department answered the call in a downpour of rain, but the fire had too much of a head start and the building was a total loss. The firemen, however, remained on the scene, rainsoaked, until there was no further danger.

-Times Staff Photo.

### First Days Of August Wet

The first 17 days of August have been somewhat wetter this year than they were last year, according to G. O. Kennedy, local weather observer. Kennedy reported that Louisburg area has had two inches of rain in the past 7 days.

For the first 17 days of this month the local weather station has recorded 2.15 inches of rain as against .81 inches for the same period last year.

Sunday's rainfall was recorded at .13.

Kennedy reported the rainfall for the 48 hour period of Sunday and Monday, as .65 inches. Rainfall in August of 1962 was greater than thus far this year. It was recorded at 2.44 inches. Kennedy termed this period as normal.

The maximum temperature Sunday was 71 degrees and the minimum was 64. For Monday it was recorded as a high of 83 and a low of 58. The temperature at 9 a.m. this morning was 62 degrees. The river is 1.85 ft. and that is .05 ft. below Monday's level of 1.90. These measurements are taken daily at the Main St. bridge.

## County School Buildings Get Paint And Repairs In Annual Summer Time Maintenance Projects

Practically every school building in the Franklin County system has received some degree of repair in this summer's maintenance program, according to Superintendent Warren W. Smith.

In what may be termed the "most ambitious" program of its kind in many years, the summer maintenance program is designed to preserve the buildings and save the taxpayers money during the period when

the buildings are not in use. Heading the list, of course, are the major projects of new cafeterias at Gold Sand and Riverside Schools. This work, while not connected with the annual summer program, has

caused some of the summer work to be directed closely with these buildings. At Riverside, for instance, an entire roadside hill and a paved drive are being removed next to the new cafeteria site.

Also at Riverside, a new fire resistant ceiling has been installed throughout the basement rooms beneath the gymnasium, complete with new lighting and paint. Five other classrooms have been painted and a new storage room fixed at the Negro school.

At Gold Sand, in addition to the new cafeteria, the floors and outside doors to the elementary building have been painted, along with the outside woodwork on the boiler room. New lighting fixtures have been installed throughout the old building.

Two rooms are being prepared at Bunn school, in the old cafeteria building to accommodate two additional classrooms for special education classes. Shelves in the library have been painted and some grading work has been accomplished on the school grounds.

Edward Best High School has had its ag shop and classroom painted this summer and Edward Best Elementary School has had a room partitioned for a music and first aid room. The elementary school is being treated for termite this week.

Repairs to the gym floor is the big project at Epsom School, along with the painting of four classrooms. Epsom received a new roof last spring. Youngsville High School has been re-wired this summer. All outside woodwork and eight classrooms have been painted. Youngsville Negro school has been painted on the outside.

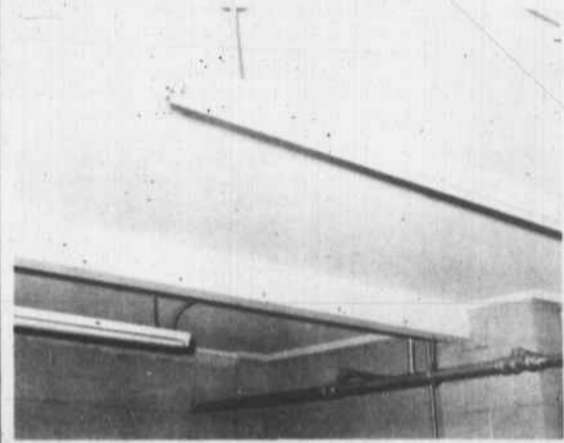
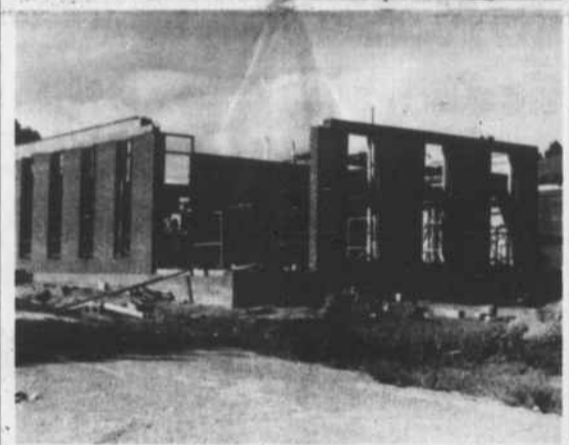
Perry's School has received a new nitrification drain field, had its old auditorium partitioned into two classrooms and received extensive painting on the outside woodwork.

A new nitrification drain field is being built this week at Gethsemane School. This project says Supt. Smith, "is costing around \$300 and if it works, which we think it will, can save us a \$3,000 sand bed installation at Gethsemane."

New exit doors have been installed at Mapleville and Cedar Street Schools in the Louisburg District. Louisburg High School is to have the heating system repaired before the summer project comes to its conclusion.

Practically all the summer work has been accomplished with school system personnel. The maintenance department, under Marvin Edwards, has done most of the building and repairs. A crew of six, some teachers in the system, under Bunn Principal W. H. Kelly, has taken care of the painting.

According to Smith, all will be in readiness when the bells ring on Sept. 4, the day students report for registration this year.



### School Projects

Pictured above are scenes of work being done in county schools during the summer. Top left, floor of new Riverside Cafeteria; right, new nitrification drain bed being installed at Gethsemane School. Middle left, Perry's Principal, J. E. Wilson, shows new partition installed in old auditorium; right,

new ceiling at Riverside School basement classrooms. Lower left, new Gold Sand Cafeteria going up and right, Bunn Principal, W. H. Kelly, shows work being done in old cafeteria building, which is being prepared for library and special education classrooms.

-Times Staff Photos.

## C. P. & L. Employee Is Killed

A 45-year-old Carolina Power and Light Company employee, who worked the Franklin County area for his company, was killed instantly last Saturday in the Stanhope Community in Nash County.

Robert Wilber Tony was electrocuted as he prepared to climb a power pole to repair a broken wire. Ike Farr, a co-worker of Tony's in Franklin County, reported that Tony met death as he placed his climbers belt around the pole. Farr was not present at the time of the accident, and there have been conflicting reports as to exactly how it occurred. One theory has it that a guide wire was somehow charged and Tony came in contact with it as he was stringing a rope in preparation to the climb.

According to Ronald Tharrington, whose store in Hickory Rock is a collection point for C.P.&L. accounts, a close friend of Tony's, the report of one source that Tony was killed while repairing an electric hot water heater, was in error. Tharrington said that Ashley Inscow, a neighbor of Tony's in Spring Hope, told him that this version was wrong.

Tony had worked the Franklin County area for C.P.&L.

for a number of years and has a host of friends in the area.

Funeral services for Tony were held at 2 p.m. Monday in the First Baptist Church in Spring Hope with the Rev. J. A. Bracey and the Rev. James Blackmore officiating. Burial was in Oakdale Cemetery. Survivors include his wife,

Josephine; one son, Robert of the home; three daughters, Mrs. Carolyn Baker of Charleston, S. C., Mrs. Peggy Bass of Nashville and Mrs. Ann Stallings of Smithfield; two sisters, Mrs. Mavis Horton of Bunn and Mrs. Maybelle Willard of Greensboro; and five grandchildren.

## Bunn Prison Escapees Still At Large

Capt. Raymond Hayes, of the Bunn Prison Camp said this morning that he was continuing to check out all leads in an effort to recapture two convicts that escaped from the camp eight days ago.

Twinlon Thompson, 22, and Bobby G. Mullis, 29, both white, escaped from the camp around 3:30 p.m. on Sunday, August 9, when they drove a tractor to the farm end of the field at the camp, and ran.

Hayes said he was called this morning around 1 a.m. by a person who believed he had seen one of the escapees. "I went there," said Hayes, "and picked up a boy, but he was not one of the prisoners."

The escapees, both honor graders, were reported to have been seen in the Gold Valley section of Nash County, near Spring Hope, soon after their escape, but officers were unable to find them.

Mullis once lived on Route 2, Castalia. He was convicted on killing his father in Nash County court in 1961 and sentenced to 16 years in prison. Thompson, whose home is in Fayetteville,

was serving 12 to 15 years for assault with intent to commit rape in Cumberland County in 1960.

The search is being continued and has spread over a wider area, according to prison authorities.

### Allotment Loss

The General Accounting office said that bad administration of the Army's allotment system is costing the Government about \$2,000,000 a year in erroneous payments. The most common error, it reported, is the failure to make proper deductions for United States savings bonds, Government life insurance and support of dependents on allotment requests.

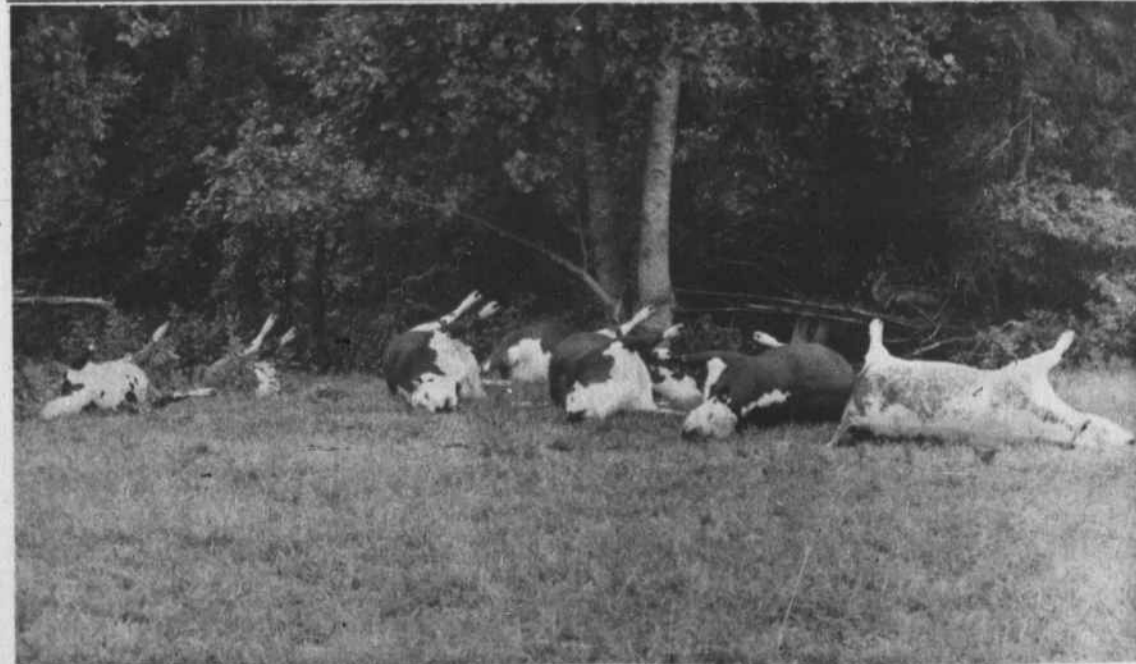
### Pastore Named

Senator John O. Pastore, (D., R. L.) has been named the keynote speaker for the Democratic National Convention to be held at Atlantic City, N. J. He is one of the Senate's most colorful and forceful orators. The 57-year-old lawyer has a reputation for both fearlessness and sweet reasonableness.

### Bloodshed Boxscore

Department--The Motor Vehicles Bureau's summary of traffic deaths through 10 a.m. Monday, August 17:

KILLED TO DATE	930
KILLED TO DATE LAST YEAR	768



### Lightning Kills Cattle

Scene above shows six purebred cows and a bull, owned by Jimmie Sandling of Franklinton, which were struck and killed by

lightning last Wednesday afternoon around 5:30 p.m. during a heavy electrical storm at Franklinton. The loss was set at \$2,450.

-Photo by T. H. Pearce.

### Survey Shows:

## County Is A Buoyant Market

New York--Franklin County's economy moved ahead on all fronts during the past year, according to a report on the nation's markets, just released.

Significant gains were chalked up in its trading area as local residents, with more money at their command, indulged in large-scale spending.

The findings are from a 640-page, copyrighted study entitled "Survey of Buying Power," issued by Sales Management. It presents data on income and spending for communities throughout the country.

Net earnings in Franklin County were high during the year, it shows. After allowance for personal taxes, local residents had a net spendable income of \$30,244,000, as against their 1962 total of \$29,226,000.

How much this figured out to, at the family level, was determined by taking the dollar amount and dividing it by the number of households. The average per household came to \$4,383, a gain over the prior year's \$4,236.

How was the money used? With less of the self-imposed restraint than had been exhibited during recent years. People reacted to the favor-

able economic conditions by gratifying their desire for some of the frills.

They went in for more expensive clothes, fancier cars, thicker rugs and better cuts of meat.

Retail business in Franklin County, as a result, was at a high level. Local stores accounted for gross sales in the year of \$21,525,000, exceeding the 1962 figure of \$19,960,000.

The rise, 7.8 percent, compares with a 4.7 percent rise in the United States and a 3.9 percent rise in the State of North Carolina.

The survey gives each community a rating, based on several factors, to show the relationship between the amount of money being spent in its retail stores and the estimated amount that might have been spent. It is called the "index of buying power."

The index for Franklin County is .0093, indicating that it could produce that percentage of the nation's retail business. Since less than that was accounted for last year, .0087 percent, it is apparent that some of the local business potential has not yet been realized.



### Receives Check

Mrs. Elsie Timberlake of Youngsville, Secretary-Treasurer of the Franklin County Unit, American Cancer Society, is shown presenting Mr. M. M. Person, Administrator of Franklin Memorial Hospital, with a check for \$200 given by the Cancer Unit for the purchase of an electric air pressure pad for cancer patients. The pad is to be used without charge to the patients. Staff Photo.