

Fair and cool today and Wednesday with frost and freezing temperatures tonight. Low today, 39; high, 60.

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Democracy's Brightest Hour: The Presidential Elections

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Editor's Note: This is Part I of an eight-part series on the Presidential Elections. The series will cover the thirty-five men that have held the office and the current campaign, including platforms, voting procedures, the candidates, plus points of interest pertaining to Democracy's Brightest Hour: The Presidential Election.

Who was the only President to be elected unanimously? What is the Republican Platform? What is the Electoral College? Did you know that you do not vote for a President? Four weeks from today, Americans will exercise their greatest privilege as a free people. By an Act of Congress, 1845, "Presidential Elections are held on the first Tuesday following the first Monday in November." This year that will be November 3rd.

On this Tuesday, a former Texas school teacher and a former science professor will be running on the Democratic ticket against a former department store executive and his partner, a former assistant prosecutor at the Nuremberg trials heading the Republican ticket. Lyndon Baines Johnson and Hubert Horatio Humphrey, Democratic candidates for the Presidency and Vice Presidency respectively, and Barry M. Goldwater and William E. Miller, Republicans, are the major candidates.

To better understand the Presidency, let us take a trip down through the years, taking a look at the 35 men that have held the office, their wives, the men that sought the position but failed and their running mates. George Washington was, of course, the first President. He was the only man ever to be unanimously elected to the office. Washington, one of only two presidents to sign the Constitution, married a widow and was childless. He was born in Wakefield, Va., on February 22, 1732. He was elected from Virginia as a Federalist.

Washington's parents were Augustine and Mary Ball Washington. He was of English ancestry and was an Episcopalian. Washington died on December 14, 1799 at the age of 67 at Mt. Vernon, Va., where he is buried.

John Adams was Vice President under Washington. Adams was 53 and Washington was 53 and Washington was 57 when inaugurated. Washington's wife, whom he mar-

ried in 1759, was Mrs. Martha Dandridge Curtis. She died in 1802.

Washington was first of the 35 men that have served in the country's highest office. The election on November 3 could name Lyndon Johnson, already the 35th President, or the voters could choose Barry Goldwater, who would become the 36th man to hold the position.

Johnson, who took over the office upon the tragic death of President John F. Kennedy last November 22, by an assassin's bullet in Dallas, Texas, has attempted to carry out policies set by the Kennedy administration and the Democratic platform adopted in 1960. Notable among these is the controversial civil rights bill, which has supposedly lost him some support in the south. Goldwater, on the other hand, is running on a Republican platform of conservatism, designed to gain the south's support. He voted against the civil rights bill. He is a United States Senator from Arizona, and is conducting his campaign on the theme that the present Democratic administration is "soft on Communism."

There have been 14 Repu-

blis and 11 Democrats elected President. The other ten have been divided; four were Whigs, three were Democrats, two were Federalists and one, John Quincy Adams, was elected by the House of Representatives, without note of party affiliation. Abraham Lincoln was the first Republican, by name, to occupy the White House and Andrew Jackson was the first Democratic President.

Thursday: John Adams, Thomas Jefferson, James Madison and more on the current campaign.

Franklin Leads In Injuries

Franklin County led the district in highway injuries for September, with 23, according to a report from the N. C. Department of Motor Vehicles released today. Granville County had the largest number of accidents with 34 and also had the most fatalities with four of the five highway deaths for the month coming in Granville County.

The fifth fatality occurred in Franklin County, and Franklin was third in property damage with \$6,935.00. Granville led with \$16,255.00. Vance County had 21 accidents, 13 injuries, no fatalities and \$7,420.00 in property damages. Warren had only 9 accidents, 9 injuries, no fatalities and only \$2,525.00 in damages for the best record in the district.

Tobacco Market

Pounds Sold Last Week: 1,821,998; Amount Paid Last Week: \$1,067,075.78; Average per 100 Pounds: \$58.57; Pounds Sold To Date: 5,332,646; Amount Paid To Date: \$3,011,519.94.

Republican Candidate To Speak

Van S. Watson, Jr. of Whitakers, N. C., Republican candidate for the Commissioner of Agriculture, is slated to be the main speaker tonight at a meeting of Citizens for Goldwater here.

Mrs. Frances Duke, Treasurer of the Franklin County Citizens for Goldwater, announced the speaking engagement Monday night. Watson, who holds a B. S. degree in Agriculture from N. C. State College, will speak tonight at 8 p.m. in the Franklin County Courthouse.

School Board Adopts Consolidation Plan

The Citizens Committee for the Study of Consolidation of Franklin Schools made its final report to the County Board of Education Monday and recommended that the Board adopt the Long Range Planning of the School Survey made by the State Department of Public Instruction last December.

Mr. Frank Read, Chairman of the Committee, presented the recommendation to the Board in its regular meeting.

Read said his group had studied three possible avenues of improvements in the schools, (1) an additional teacher in each school, (2) special training for those not planning to attend college and (3) consolidation of the schools. The Committee, -reported Read, voted unanimously in favor of consolidation. He praised the committee members for their work and pointed out that questionnaires

sent to school patrons last year offered his group the greatest help in arriving at their decision. He said his group felt it was what the people wanted. The Board of Education immediately passed a resolution of appreciation to Read and his entire committee for their outstanding work.

Clint Fuller, Louisburg District member, moved that the recommendation be accepted and adopted and Mrs. T. H.

Weidon of Epsom, seconded the motion. The Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion and by this action the State Survey recommendations, with modifications and priorities yet to be decided, became the Long Range plan for Franklin County Schools.

The plan calls for five new and complete school plants, three secondary school plants (grades 7-12) with a capacity of 650-700 and two elementary school plants (grades 1-6) of approximately 12 to 15 classrooms plus a lunchroom, multi-purpose, library and administrative spaces for each.

The three high schools called for in the plans would accommodate students now attending Perry's School and part of Riverside in one plant; students now attending Gethsemane and part of Riverside in a second plant and the third plant would accommodate students now attending Bunn and Edward Best schools.

One of the new elementary school plants, under the plan, would accommodate students now attending Louisburg (W. R. Mills) Elementary School and the other would serve students now attending Mapleville, Cedar Street, Riverside and possibly Youngsville Elementary. Both would contain 15 classrooms. Under the present plan, the present Louisburg School would become a high school only, as would Riverside school.

The Board of Education will now take under study the immediate needs of the system and subject to finances available will set up a Long Range Plan that will eventually lead to total consolidation of all the schools in the county system. Franklinton City Schools are not under the jurisdiction of the County Board and are not affected by this ruling.

The Read Committee was formed in September, 1962 to make a study of the needs of the schools. The Committee consisted of outstanding citizens in each community. In the recommendation, the Committee made specific mention of certain pages in the survey and recommended that the County Board make certain modifications and to set the priority list in a manner they may "deem wiser."

In other action, the Board approved Mr. Al Fox as Principal of Louisburg School, James Elrod as Coach-Social Studies teacher at Louisburg and Nancy T. Daniel at Bunn and William Perkinson at Edward Best.

What happened is not as important as what the people believe has happened.

It is very easy for some people to believe that they are natural-born leaders.



Receiving Recommendation

Mrs. T. H. Dickens, Chairman of the Franklin County Board of Education, is shown above receiving the recommendation of the Citizens Committee for the Study of Consolidation, from Mr. Frank Read, Chairman of the

Citizens group. The Read Committee recommended that the Board adopt the plan of the State Survey team, which calls for total consolidation of the high schools.

-Times Staff Photo.

County Commissioners Urge The Approval Of School Bond Issue

The Franklin County Commissioners adopted a resolution urging the approval of the \$100 million State Bond Issue at the General Election on November 3, at their regular monthly meeting Monday.

In the resolution, the commissioners noted that adequate school buildings, as well as qualified teachers and up-to-date courses, are necessary parts of a sound public school system. And they pointed out that the construction of necessary school buildings is imposing an ever-larger burden on county property taxes and county property taxpayers.

The 1963 General Assembly authorized the issuance of \$100 million in State School Bonds, subject to the approval of the voters. The election on the question of approval has been set for the General Election on November 3.

If the State Bond Issue is approved, Franklin County will

receive \$58,049.90 for the County School System and \$131,915.82 for the Franklin County Schools, for the construction of school buildings in the two systems.

The Board appointed Chairman W. P. Childers as Chairman of the Committee on the State School Bonds.

In other action, the Board received the resignation of Harold A. Stegall, Assistant Agricultural Agent, who is accepting a position with Farm Bureau in Warrenton. The Board heard a request from

Bob Jones, representing First Citizens Bank and Trust Co., asking that his company be made co-paying agent with a New York bank for the Hospital Bond Funds.

Ninth Break In

Thieves entered the Village Drive In in Ford Village over the weekend, according to Louisburg Police Chief William Dement, and made off with around \$10 in cash and an assortment of cigarettes.

Entry was made through a rear door. Several vending machines were broken open, with minor damage, but the money had been taken out of the machines prior to the closing of business. This was the ninth time, the local restaurant has been broken into.

Chief Dement said his department was investigating and that he believed it to be the work of professional crooks.

Bloodshed Boxscore

Raleigh--The Motor Vehicles Department's summary of traffic deaths through 10 a.m. Monday, October 5:

KILLED TO DATE	162
KILLED TO DATE LAST YEAR	981

Louisburg Gets 3.44 Inches Rain

The Louisburg area received 3.44 inches of rainfall from Sunday through Monday night, according to G. O. Kennedy, local weatherman. The height of Tar River at 7 a.m. today was 15.60 ft., which is lower than had been expected says Kennedy.

The highest point the river has risen in recent years is 20.50 ft. on January 8, 1962. Since the first of October, Louisburg has received 5.96 inches of rainfall.

The lower temperatures Monday night and Tuesday are normal, according to Kennedy for this time of year. The low Monday night was 40 degrees and the high Monday was 52 degrees.

Speed Endorses School Bonds

The Democratic Executive Committee held a special meeting Saturday night at a Louisburg restaurant. Representative James Speed urged support of the \$100 million State School Bond issue to the Committee.

The group discussed fund raising projects, and the District Rally to be held in Henderson, October 13. The group voted to hold the Franklin County rally jointly with the District.

Members were urged to attend the meeting in Raleigh tonight to hear President and Mrs. Johnson at the Coliseum. Lawrence Perry was named to fill a vacancy on the new Peaces precinct committee.

CP & L Bills Get New Look

Local customers of Carolina Power & Light Company will receive their bills in a new form this month.

E. P. Bazemore, CP&L manager, said bills received in October and afterwards will be enclosed in envelopes--a move toward electronic computer billing with virtually dictates the use of envelopes.

Bazemore added that payment of the new envelope bills will be made at the local CP&L office or other local collection points as in the past.

Miss Judy Carol Cyrus has been employed by Carolina Power & Light Company as a billing machine operator in CP&L's billing department in Raleigh.

The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Cyrus of Louisburg, she attended Bunn High School and is an active member of the Baptist church.

The main purpose of education is to do nothing else at the same time.

Woman Hurt; Children Escape Injury In School Bus Wreck

One person was injured Monday afternoon and a number of school children were shaken up when a Franklinton School bus collided with an automobile driven by Mrs. Eloise Pendleton of Franklinton. The accident occurred at the traffic light at the intersection of U. S. 1-A and N. C. 56 in downtown Franklinton when a bus carrying a load of children from the B. F. Person-Albion School and the automobile both, reportedly ran the yellow caution light.

Mrs. Jack Pendleton, mother-in-law of the driver of the car received lacerations and was treated at Maria Parham Hospital in Henderson and later moved to Franklin Memorial Hospital in Louisburg. None of the other passengers in the car or children on the bus were injured.

The bus was driven by Cornelius Parham 17, student-bus driver. The vehicles suffered several hundred dollars in damages, and a plate glass window

in a nearby furniture store was broken when the vehicles ran into the store. Superintendent of Franklinton City Schools, Fred Rogers, said that no charges had been made, pending further investigation.

One report said the accident happened when the bus moving on a green light failed to clear the intersection before the yellow caution light came on, while the car jumped the caution light anticipating the green light.



Wrecked Bus

Franklinton Bus No. 83 is pictured above resting in the County Garage lot following a collision with a private automobile in Franklinton Monday afternoon. Mrs. Jack Pendleton of Franklinton was hospitalized with painful injuries as a result of the wreck. No school children were hurt.



Exhibits Registered

Mrs. Louise Hobbs, left, and Mrs. Robert Hicks, right, register home grown vegetables of Mr. J. L. Strickland, right, while Mr. Grady Harris awaits his turn. Scene taken in exhibit hall of Franklin County Fair. Judging of exhibits begins today at the local fair.

-Times Staff Photo.