

Partly cloudy today and Friday with showers over 25 per cent of the area both days. Low today, 68; high, 90.

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The sweet young things are now preparing for the 'hunting' season.

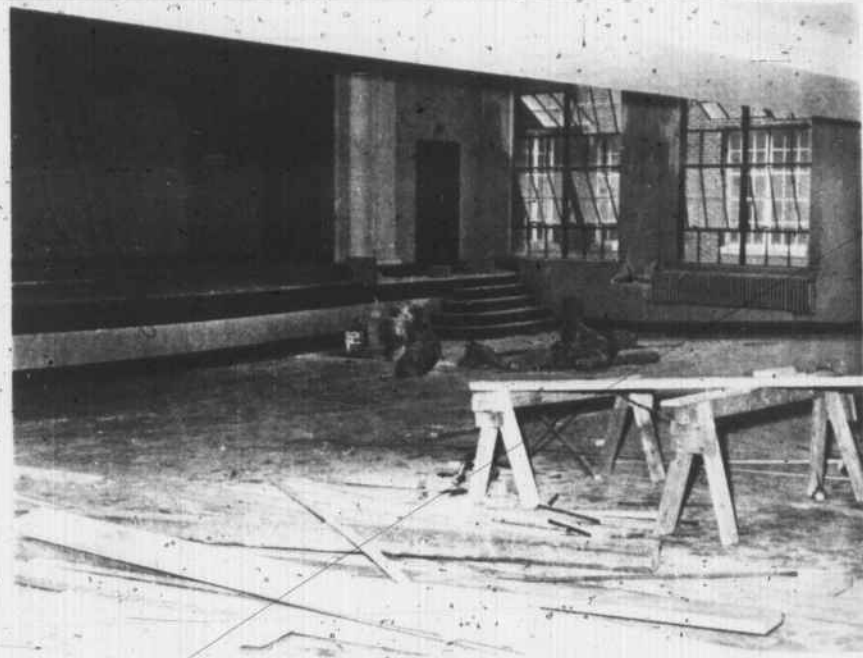
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Franklinton School Repairs

Work on the Franklinton High School Auditorium is underway this week. Crewmen are preparing to put in a new floor, give it a new paint job and other repairs. Similar work is going on in the county schools, as paint crews are busy at several schools and bids are being sought on certain construction work at others.

—Times Staff Photo.

Justice Merchant Passes

Mr. Joseph Calvin Bowden, 83, of Rt. 2, Spring Hope passed away Wednesday night at Franklin Memorial Hospital. Mr. Bowden was the owner and operator of Bowden's Grocery Store at Justice. He had operated the store for the past 65 odd years. He was a member of the Duke Memorial Baptist Church where funeral services will be held Friday at 4 p.m. with the pastor, Rev. A. A. Peverall, Jr. and a former pastor, Rev. T. H. Steen conducting services. Burial will follow in the church cemetery. Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Maybelle Carden Bowden; one sister, Mrs. R. L. Hayes of Rocky Mount; and a number of nieces and nephews.

Bill To Aid Tobacco

An appropriation of \$450,000 was approved by the North Carolina Legislature prior to adjournment Wednesday, June 16, for an intensive tobacco research program at North Carolina State University in Raleigh. The measure was introduced and piloted through the legislative mill by Senator Fred S. Royster of Henderson.

Senator Royster said today he understood the program will get underway immediately after start of the new fiscal year July 1. The act authorizes an expenditure of \$150,000 the first year of the biennium and \$300,000 the second year.

All funds made available will be used for purchase of equipment and for employment of personnel for research. It will be directed by Dr. Kenneth R. Keller, who is director of tobacco research at North Carolina State.

It is anticipated that permanent quarters for the department will be provided later, but actual research will begin immediately as soon as the program can be set up by Dr. Keller.

This activity will supplement tobacco research already in progress at State and at experiment stations elsewhere in the tobacco belt.

Hospital Bids Delayed

The advertisement for bids on the \$900,000 renovations and improvements to Franklin Memorial Hospital, originally scheduled to begin around June 15, have been slightly delayed, according to a report made public today.

The plans, which have been completed, are now in the hands of the North Carolina Medical Care Commission for study by its engineers. The backlog of work by the Commission on such projects has necessitated the delay. A hospital spokesman stated that it was hoped the delay would be no more than a few weeks.

At a recent meeting of the Board of Trustees of the local hospital, the Administrator was

instructed to take the necessary steps to insure compliance with Title VI of the 1964 Civil Rights Act.

Meanwhile, the hospital is continuing to operate at full capacity, with a full load of patients. This condition prompted the Trustees to request a bond issue for much needed improvements and additions last fall. The issue gained overwhelming approval of the voters and work is expected to get underway as soon as plans are approved by the Medical Care Commission, bids are advertised and let. One spokesman said, "We are hoping to have construction started not later than early fall."

County 4-H'ers In Manteo, Waynesville Camps

Through the efforts of the State 4-H Club Program, the 4-H Camps at Manteo and Waynesville have been made available for one week in June and one in July for a Special Opportunity Camp. All who attend must have a sponsor. Through the efforts of the Extension Staff and the Department of Public Welfare many organizations were contacted. Nine agreed to sponsor some child in Franklin County. The children are from ages 9-14 and cannot be a member of the 4-H organization.

These children will spend the week of June 21-26, 1965 at Camp Schaub just outside Waynesville, North Carolina. There will be classes in wildlife, swimming, crafts, and

recreation. Qualified instructors will work with the children. Periods of supervised recreation, including swimming, softball, volleyball, and folk dancing will be held each afternoon and night. Each night is completed with refreshments and vespers.

Miss Carroll Mode is with the group as counselor. She was recommended by the district agent. This has been a cooperative effort of the State 4-H Staff, the County Extension Staff, the Department of Public Welfare, and the Lions, Jaycees and Rotary Clubs of Louisburg, The Franklinton Lions, the Home Demonstration County Council, the Young People of the Episcopal Church and the Farm Bureau.

Local Citizens To Feel Effects Of Federal Excise Tax Reductions

Franklin County citizens, along with others in the country, will soon feel the impact of the cut in excise taxes. Already, automobile dealers in the area have reduced the purchase price of their cars from \$50

to over \$100 through the tax reduction. This is being done by attaching a sticker beneath the regular price lists, showing the exact amount of decrease. The tax bill, which President

Johnson signed into law Monday, calls for a reduction on automobiles from 10% excise tax to 7% tax. Depending on the price of the vehicle, the range runs upwards of a hundred dollars on some cars. The law is retroactive to May 15, and according to one local dealer, persons who purchased a car after May 15, but before the June 1st activation date, will receive a rebate of the 3% tax reduction. The manufacturer will mail an application to the new car buyer, which must be filled out and sent back. The company will then send a check for the amount of refund due.

Cars will get another 1% reduction on January 1, 1966, will move to a 4% tax in 1967, 2% in 1968 and complete repeal on January 1, 1969.

Other items affected by the new law include jewelry, toilet articles, cosmetics, luggage, leather goods and furs. The entire 10% reduction was lifted from these items last Monday midnight. Also included in this category are room air-conditioners, radios, televisions, phonographs, freezers, refrigerators, cameras; sporting goods, playing cards, fountain pens, matches and gas and electric home appliances.

All of these items are sold in local stores and are among the most frequently purchased items. The President has urged dealers to pass on the entire reduction to the consumers. However, the law does not require this, and a dealer may not reduce a given item the full amount of the tax. He may choose to up the price of his merchandise and pass only a portion of the tax reduction to the consumer.

Beginning January 1, 1966, there will be a 3% decrease in excise tax on local and long distance telephone service. On December 31, 1965 a reduction of 1¢ for each 10¢ in excess of \$1 on movie admissions will be made. This is not expected to be felt locally. Most theater admissions in the area are already less than a dollar. Trucks are not included in the

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Car Prices Lowered

Pictured above, left to right, Floyd Griffin, Roger Kornegay and Mrs. Wade Foster, of Griffin-Motor Co. here, marking down the price of new automobiles, as the Federal Excise Tax cut went into effect this week. Griffin reported the cut meant a \$60 to \$100 reduction in the price of cars. Other dealers throughout the area were busy doing the same thing.

Franklinton Church To Observe Centennial

Mount Olivet Baptist Church of Franklinton is 100 years old. The church will mark its 100th anniversary Sunday, June 27, in special services. Begun on April 1, 1865 as a Sabbath School, five miles northwest of Franklinton, by Rev. Marion R. Pur-

nell, Mt. Olivet was organized as a church sometime between April and September of 1865. The 185 present members will play host to a number of former pastors, members and friends in the special services starting Sunday morning. Dinner will be

served on the church grounds from 12:30 to 2 p.m., followed by a Hymn Sing. This will feature youth groups, choirs from other churches and congregational singing. A special 44-page book has been prepared on the history of the church for distribution at the Sunday services. The book contains pictures of former pastors, dating back to Rev. Burnell, who was born in 1821 and is the organizer of the church.

Dr. Sankey Lee Blanton, pastor of Mount Olivet from 1929 to 1931, and a former pastor of Louisburg and Franklinton Baptist Churches will be the featured speaker at the services Sunday. Dr. Blanton is presently Director of Public Relations at Meredith College. Rev. Byard Houck, Jr., present pastor of the church will preside over the events. Mount Olivet and its members point with pride to their increased participation in the church's cooperative programs, their Royal Ambassadors baseball program, a very active Woman's Missionary Union, and their recent Vacation Bible School, all of which have been most successful.

Rev. Houck states, "This is a time of measuring advancements while setting new goals and a time for considering outlook while establishing a more vigorous outreach." He adds, "With this in mind, and in a spirit of humility and prayer, Mount Olivet will kick off its second century with a Centennial Revival the week of June 28 to July 2." Rev. Houck will conduct the services.

Cookbooks

A new shipment of the Franklin County cookbooks arrived at the Home Agent's Office this week. These books are available from the Home Agent's Office or from Home Demonstration Club members.



Dr. Sankey Blanton

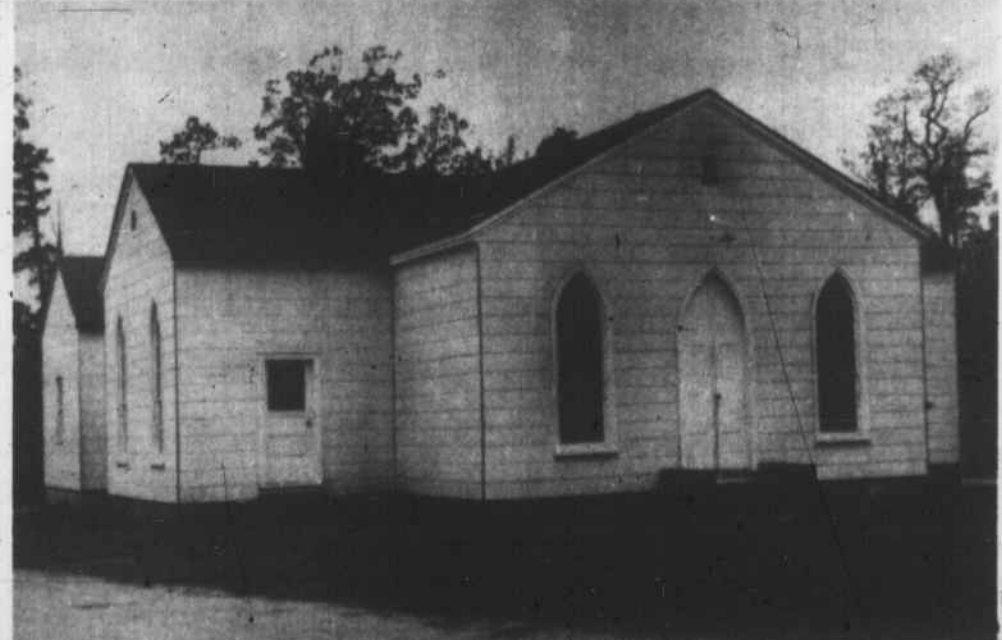
Rev. Byard Houck, Jr.

To Head New Orleans Meeting

Dr. and Mrs. Richard Whitfield and daughters of Franklinton will leave Friday by plane for New Orleans to attend the 1965 Congress of the American Optometric Auxiliary being held June 26-July 1.

Mrs. Whitfield, national president of the Auxiliary, will preside at the sessions of the Congress. At the Tuesday, June 29th, luncheon Miss Luci Baines Johnson, daughter of President L. B. Johnson, will be guest speaker.

A children's schedule of tours, teen-age hops, and visits of historical places is planned.



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