

Partly cloudy today and Thursday. Not as warm today. Today's low, 66; high, near 80.

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Farm Income Shows Decline From 1964 Record

Tobacco Market Opens Wednesday

Louisburg's warehousemen are busy this week preparing for the opening of the local tobacco market next Wednesday. Last minute spruce-ups of the warehouses are now in progress, and already some growers are seeking floor space for next week's opening day sales.

Sales are expected to fall short of last year's record, due to the reduction in acreage and the poundage controls. Quality of the offerings is expected to rise and prices are expected to be up.

Little change in personnel has been made by the three local warehouses. Ford's Warehouses, located near Ford Village just off Bickett Blvd. here, is owned by Charles E. Ford, veteran tobacco man. Assisting in this year's operation will be Thomas Carter, Brodie Martin, Buck Sykes and Harris Turner.

The Friendly Four Warehouse, located on Main Street in downtown Louisburg, is owned by James Speed, Gus McGhee and Cleamon Pearce, all of whom will be associated with the sales this year. In addition to the owners, several experienced tobacco men will be returning. They are: Grover Harris, Sr., L. D. O'Brien, Garner Dement, Read Vick, "Red" Pinnell, Howard Conyers and Thurston Ayscue.

Big Franklin Warehouse, located on the southern end of Bickett Blvd., is owned by Sterling and Bryant Cottrell. They will be assisted by Arch Wilson, who for a number of years was associated with the operation. Other personnel for

this season were not announced. Jimmie R. Gupton will be ticket marker for the entire market. Percy Joyner of Louisburg will be auctioneer for the Friendly Four and Big Franklin houses, and Earlie (Preacher) Lightsey will auctioneer for Ford's Warehouse.

Veteran tobacco buyer Louis Wood of Louisburg is retiring and will not be on the local market this year, it was reported. Replacing him for imperial will be St. Haskins of Virginia. One other change in buyers was reported; Mac Yancey will be the new Reynolds man on the Louisburg market.

Other buyers expected to work the local market were reported as: Kenneth Isley of Louisburg, Liggett & Myers; Tom Griffin of Louisburg, American; Louis Maxton, Export; Gilbert Dickerson, Taylor; Bobby Dea, Henderson; Louis Jones, Venable; and Bill Smith, Sanford.

William Boone of Cedar Rock is returning as Sales Supervisor for the local market. Boone served his first year in the position in 1964. He has been associated with local warehouses in various capacities for a number of years.

Warehousemen announced that tobacco would be accepted beginning next Tuesday for opening day sale on Wednesday. Big Franklin and Friendly Four set 7 a.m. Tuesday as the start

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McDonald To Head Publicity

Wallace Tippet, Franklin County Red Cross Fund Campaign Chairman, announced Tuesday that Rev. Walter N. McDonald had accepted the post of Publicity Director for the campaign. At the same time he announced that the campaign would be held October 15 through November 15.

McDonald, Chairman of the Department of Religion at Louisburg College, has long been associated with Franklin County Red Cross, having served as Water Safety Instructor, chapter secretary, and as chapter chairman. He currently is chairman of the chapter Service to Military Families Committee.

In making the announcement, Tippet pointed out that this year's campaign would be a significant one for Red Cross in Franklin County because the increase in draft quotas will greatly increase the need for Red Cross services, which can be met only as the funds are available to make them possible.

Approval Letter Not Received

The letter of approval of the Franklin County Board of Education's plan of compliance to the 1964 Civil Rights Act, which was expected to arrive today, had not been received by local officials at noon today. Oral assurance that the letter approving the local plan had been signed in Washington on Monday by Dr. Frances Keppel, U. S. Commissioner of Education, was given Board Attorney E. F. Yarbrough by Washington officials by telephone Tuesday.

The status of the Franklinton City School Board's plan was not stated, but John Dudley of the Education office said last week that the Franklinton plan's approval was "just a matter of time and nothing else."



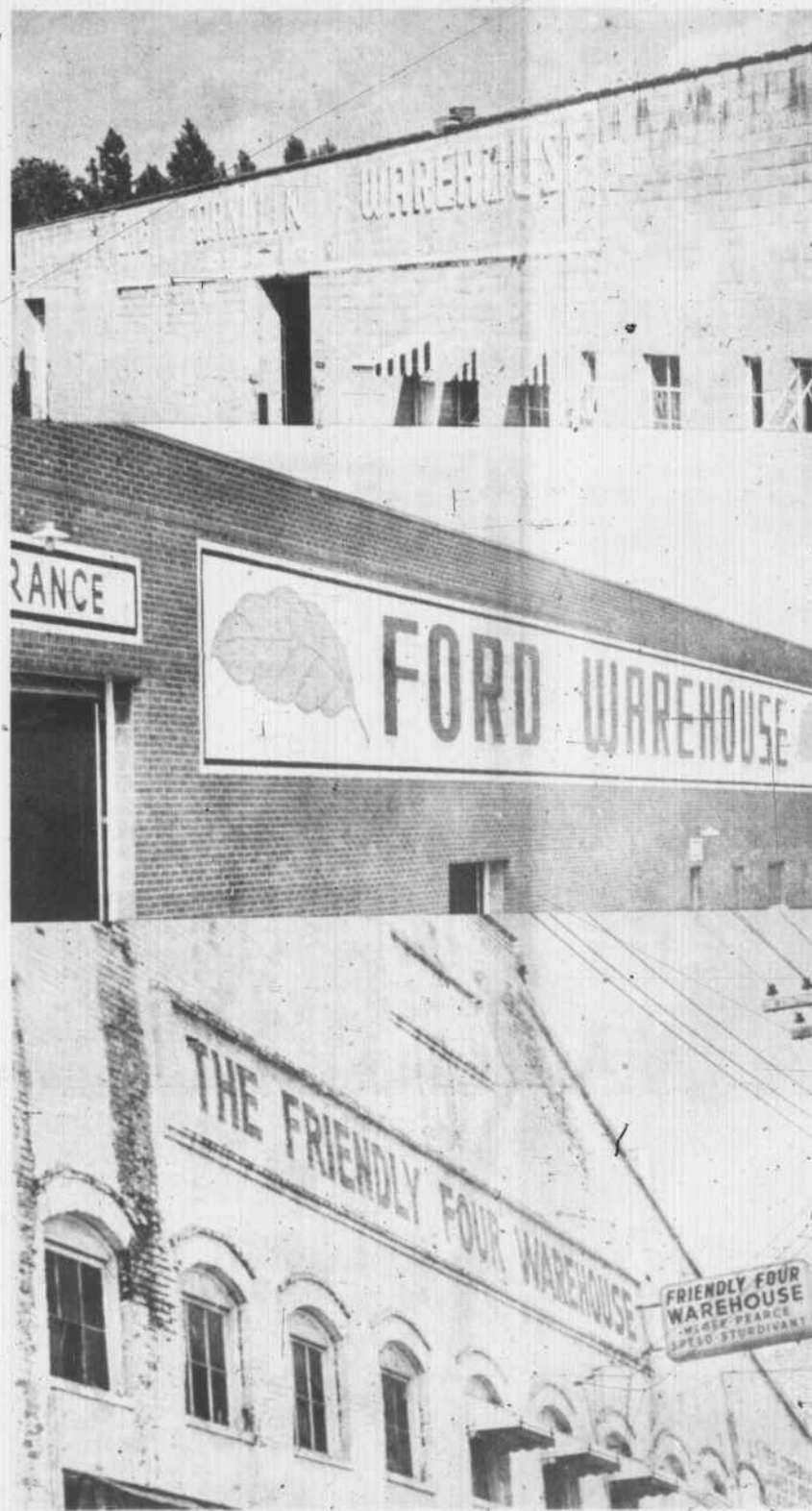
New Positions

Miss Zelda Coor, left, has been named Registrar at Louisburg College, succeeding Roland E. Horne, who during the past year has served as Registrar, in addition to his regular duties as Director of Admissions.

The position of Registrar was formerly held by Miss Rachael Modlin, who is now a member of the faculty at the college. Mrs. Betty Harris, right, of Louisburg, has succeeded Miss Coor as Secretary to President C. W. Robbins.

Miss Coor, a graduate of Louisburg College, holds an A.B. degree from Scaritt College and has been connected with the college for the past nine years. She has also served as Alumni Secretary.

Mrs. Smith, an alumnae of the college, has taught in the Franklin County Schools and for the past ten years has been associated with First Citizens Bank and Trust Company of Louisburg.



Ready For Opening

Negro Held For Superior Court In Epsom Fire Cases

Joseph Junior (Bro) Alston, 15-year-old Negro boy charged with three cases of arson in the burning of three homes in the Epsom Community, was bound over for trial in the October term of Superior Court by Recorder's Court Judge G. M. Beam, Sr., here yesterday.

Alston, who told officers he heard voices telling him to set the fires, readily admitted the crimes when apprehended last week by Deputy Sheriff Dave Batten and State Insurance Investigator A. E. Pearce.

The youth reportedly set fire to the home of John Daniel Davis, Negro father of the boy's step-father a few weeks ago. Last Wednesday, he reportedly again struck by putting ablaze the home of Davis' wife nearby and later burning his own home, where he lived with his mother and stepfather, John Edward Davis.

The defendant was placed under \$2,000.00 bond in each case and was remanded to local officers. He is lodged in the Franklin County jail.

Other cases heard in Recorder's Court Tuesday are as follows:

Steven Earl Harris, w/m/17, operating auto intoxicated, improper use of siren. Attorney for defendant makes motion requesting that license of defendant be returned. The Court orders license returned after finding that defendant has been of good character since

case was tried. Robert W. Wullenwaber, w/m/43, speeding. Pleads guilty under waiver statute. \$10.00 fine and costs.

John Reynold Baucom, Jr., w/m/22, speeding. Pleads guilty under waiver statute. \$10.00 fine and costs.

Norman Boylorn, c/m/22, non-support. 6 months in jail, as-

signed to work under supervision of State Prison Dept., suspended on payment of \$15.00 per week for support of children and costs of court, and to accept probation of two years.

Bob N. Leonard, w/m, worthless check. Defendant to pay the bad check into court for Mr. Parrish and the costs of Court.

Guidance Courses To Be Taught In Some Schools

Three teachers in Franklin County will be devoting their time to instruction in a new field as schools open. Mrs. Hamilton Hobgood at Louisburg High School, Roland Owens at Franklinton High School, and Eugene Logan at B. F. Person School in Franklinton will be teaching ninth graders "an introduction to the world of work."

The course, called Introduction to Vocations, or IV, was offered last year in about 100 schools. This fall the course is no longer experimental. It is being offered in about 260 schools—an increase of 550 percent since 1963—and is supported partially by Federal funds this year.

It is a course designed to place primary emphasis on student planning and decision making. The one-hour-a-day session is divided into five major units during the year and deals with realm of occupations.

Charles I. Jones, State Supervisor, North Carolina Department of Public Instruction, said that 187 teachers, including the ones from Franklin County, went to a two-week workshop this summer at N. C. State University. In addition, a continuing program of in-service education will be conducted.

If you don't know the answer, don't answer the question.

You may not know it but you are often wrong.

Tobacco Accounts For Most Loss, Boll Weevils Hurt Cotton Prospects

Franklin County's farm income is expected to drop an estimated \$2 million below the 1964 figure—from \$20,544,747 to \$18,500,000—Farm Agent C. T. Dean, Jr., reported this week. Tobacco, which generally determines the farm income in Franklin County, will account for most of the loss.

The picture is not as dim as it might appear, however, Dean pointed out that 1964 was a record year both for tobacco and total farm income.

With tobacco marketing time here, Franklin County's Agricultural leaders today did a bit of estimating about the 1965 crop.

Taking all things in consideration, especially the weather and a new tobacco program, County Extension Chairman C. T. Dean, Jr., and his staff say that the gross income for the county from agriculture this year will be approximately 18 1/2 million dollars.

Tobacco will account for around two-thirds of the county's total agricultural income. The agent and his assistants, Bob Shillinglaw and Jimmy Stephenson, say estimated income of \$18,500,000 will be realized from all farm enterprises this year as compared to \$20,544,747 for 1964.

The King of Crops, "tobacco", will not yield as much as the 1964 crop, according to Dean. The crop has turned out pretty good, however, considering the excessive rainfall and most farmers ended up with about a 16 to 18 leaf crop with good quality and color, the agent states. Based on 9,607 acres planted and a poundage quota of 18,194,056 pounds and an estimated price of \$63.00 will mean a gross income of \$11,462,256 for the Franklin County tobacco farmers.

Reports from the eastern border, and Georgia-Florida markets would seem to indicate that prices should open higher on the middle belt this year than last. The total crop is much shorter than last year, opinions varying as to the percentage to be expected. Allotments were smaller, and this was further complicated by changing to the combination acreage-poundage plan this year plus the extremely wet weather conditions that have decreased the crop even more. Despite all these factors, local tobaccoists and farmers confidently look forward to a good season.

Careful grading is again emphasized by all those who have returned from other markets. This applies whether the to-

bacco is sold tied or untied. Pull out the green, black and nondescript leaves, and the price differential will be substantial, it is stated. Another important factor where tobacco is still in the field is to allow it to get well ripe before harvesting.

Reporting on other crops, Dean said cotton income would also be down as compared to last year. Cotton farmers are being hit by the worst infestation of boll weevil in many years. Most farmers planted their cotton acreage, obtained a good stand, used a little more topdressing and planned to follow a complete insect control program, but excess rains and a heavy infestation of boll weev-

ils that are hard to kill point to a reduction in cotton yields at this time.

The corn income should be up says Dean. Farmers are reporting the best corn crop ever. Each year farmers are using better seed, better cultural practices and more weed control materials, more fertilizer and top dressing, and along with this year's rainfall everything was ideal for corn.

Soybeans are a crop that many Franklin County farmers added to offset the expected reduced tobacco income. Farmers increased soybean acreage from 8,000 in 1964 to 12,000 acres this year. We feel the average yield will go up from 22 bushels to the 25-30 bushel range.

No Charges Filed In Youngsville Shooting

Lack of electricity with which to operate a tobacco-tying machine resulted in a gun battle between a white man and a Negro tenant in the Youngsville area this week, according to reports.

Sheriff Joseph W. Chamption reports that no charges have been filed in the case. He said neither man indicated his willingness to indict the other. The incident reportedly began when Milton Holmes, 77-year-old son of Haywood Holmes, both of Youngsville, Rt. 1, went to the home of James Crudup, n/m/40, Rt. 1, Youngsville, to check on why the machine had stopped operating.

Young Holmes discovered the electric plug had been pulled from the socket. He reported that as he reinserted the plug, Crudup took it out, saying that he would not allow the use of his electricity. The Holmes youth went to get his father. The elder Holmes, according to reports, came up to the porch of the Negro home and was told he could not use the electricity, and Crudup at that time pulled a rifle from behind him and began pumping it at the elder Holmes.

At this point, Holmes is al-

leged to have pulled a pistol from his pocket and shot the Negro in the hand and arm.

Crudup was living in a house on a farm rented by Holmes, according to reports, and was allowed to live there in exchange for helping Holmes with his tobacco crop. One report said the Negro had worked only two days this season for Holmes.

The incident, which occurred early Monday morning, has thus far netted no charges against either man. The rifle failed to fire, probably saving Holmes' life, and the wounds inflicted on Crudup were reported as not being too serious.

Unlucky '13'

Creeskill, N. J. — Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Chamption were proud of their thirteen children but they believed thirteen was an unlucky number. Mrs. Chamption has seven sons to number fourteen with a fringe the family circle to eleven boys and three girls.

Don't complain about the hot days; this is what you logged for back in February.



WELCOME TO LOUISBURG FIRST IN PERCENTAGE RETAIL SALES GROWTH IN NORTH CAROLINA

Road Signs Up

Newly-erected sign, shown above on South Bickett Blvd., erected by the Louisburg Business Association. Clay Mc Bride, local radio announcer, is in charge of the project. A similar sign is already in place on the Henderson Road.