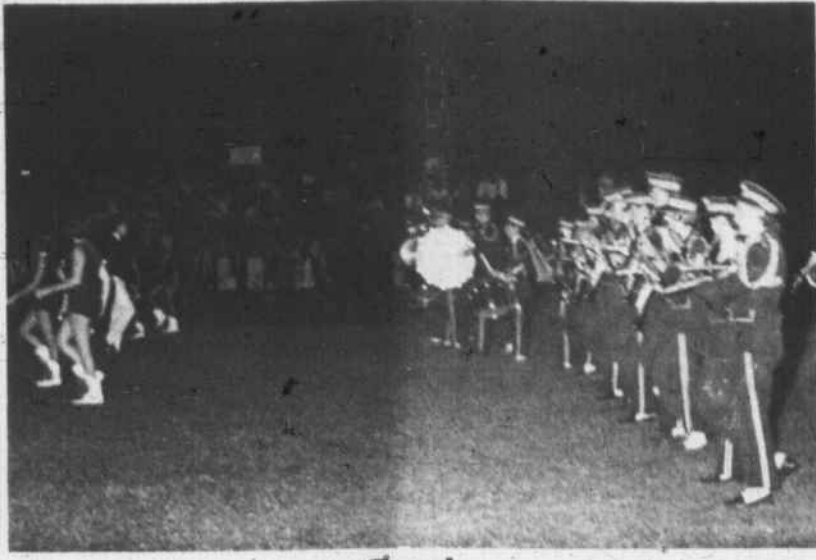




Umbrellas



Band



And Beauties

### Rain And Louisburg Spoil Franklinton Homecoming Activities

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### Weather

Considerable cloudiness, rather cool today. Wednesday cloudy with chance of rain. Low today 54; high, 71.

### Comment

Planning is what separates the best communities from the average ones.

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### R. Burt May

## Funeral Services Held For Former County Commissioner



R. Burt May

Funeral services for former County Commissioner R. Burt May, 54, were held Monday at the White Level Baptist Church, conducted by the pastor, Rev. Gilbert Barnhill, and a former pastor, Rev. Harold Steen. Burial followed in the Cedar Rock Baptist Church cemetery. May, a farmer-merchant in the White Level Community, died in a Raleigh hospital last Saturday of a heart attack following a lengthy illness. May, who entered business when he was 19 years old, was appointed to the Board of Franklin County Commissioners by John W. King, Clerk of Court, in May of 1955, to fill the unexpired term of the late N. Howard Griffin. Griffin, 56 years old at the time of his death on May 2, 1955, was Chairman of the Board. The newly appointed Commissioner from District 2 was sworn in by King at a meeting on May 16, 1955. May ran successfully against Paul Childers in the 1956 elections, polling 2,813 votes to his op-

ponent's 1,681. He served from May 1955 to December 1960. He was defeated in the 1960 elections by Childers in a four-man race which saw the vote split between May and present Commissioner E. M. Sykes. May, who received praises for his service to the county during the two terms, was best known for casting the deciding vote in the controversial location of the Louisburg School in April, 1959. On April 13, May voted with Commissioners Norwood Faulkner and George Harris to deny the selection of the Allen property by the County Board of Education. In a special called meeting on April 17, four days later, May cast his ballot with Commissioners Norris Collins and Brooks Young in favor of the present school site. Surviving are his wife, the former Edna Collins, one daughter, Reenie May, and one son, Robert Burt May, Jr., all of the home. Also surviving are three sisters, Mrs. Clara E. Kemp and Mrs. Sarah C. Daniels, both of Louisburg, and Mrs. Ruby M. Perry of Sharpsburg, N. C.

## County Man Hurt In Friday Wreck

A tractor-trailer jackknifed on Highway 561 last Friday afternoon during a down-pour of rain, injuring the driver. The Centerville Rescue Service answered the call and freed Jack Ferguson, w/m/23, of Royal, who was trapped beneath the truck. The truck, reportedly belonging to Alford Bros. Lumber Co., ran off the highway on the right side of the road, struck an embankment and turned back onto the highway, throwing the driver from the cab and trapping his ankle beneath the truck. Ferguson was taken to Franklin Memorial Hospital by the Centerville Rescue unit for treatment of the injured ankle. Rescuers reported no other injuries. The accident occurred during the height of a violent rain storm which covered the area Friday afternoon around 4 p.m.

## Time Running Out For Gas Tax Refunds

Franklin County farmers have until September 30 to apply for refunds on gasoline used for non-highway purposes over the past year, according to Franklin Farm Bureau President Bennie Ray Gupton. Farmers with adequate gas purchase records, said Gupton, will be reimbursed for gas used from July 1, 1964, through June 30, 1965. Gupton emphasized, however, that a farmer "must file for his refund in order to get it." The local farm leader said that help with gas tax refunds "is one of the many services offered to members of the Franklin County Farm Bureau."

Many Farmers may be passing up a refund of \$50 or more if they fail to file, Gupton reported. Last year, farm refunds in North Carolina came to almost \$2.5 million. The average refund was \$87.47. "Farmers may get a refund of six cents from the state and four cents from the federal government on each gallon of gasoline they use in tractors and other non-highway equipment," he explained. "Farm Bureau members may get forms to apply for gas tax refunds from the Franklin County Farm Bureau office on Bickett Blvd. Farmers who filed last year will automatically be mailed an application this year."

### Following Week-Long Holiday

## Markets Reopen Here Wednesday

Long lines of trucks loaded with tobacco were in evidence in Louisburg this morning, awaiting their turn to unload the leaf on the local warehouse floors for sale as the Middle Belt markets reopen Wednesday on a full schedule. Full sales at all three local warehouses are expected for the second opening day of the young season. All flue-cured markets resume sales Wednesday after a full-week market holiday, and all will operate on the original 5 1/2 hours selling day, five days a week. The

markets had first been curtailed in selling time by an hour per day and later cut to four days a week in an unsuccessful effort to ease congestion at company redrying plants. The week-long holiday was called when earlier measures failed to ease the congestion. Figures for the last day of sales on the local market last week were not disclosed, but totals for the seven-day period, excluding last Tuesday, show that 2,349,406 pounds have been sold for a total of \$1,437,862.18 for a seven-day average of \$61.37.

## Farm Bureau Prexy Opposes Minimum Wage

Franklin County Farm Bureau President Bennie Ray Gupton, in a letter to Congressmen, says that minimum wages for farm workers will cause many farmers to be forced out of agriculture, unemployment of farm labor, and increased cost of living for the nation's entire population. Farmers cannot pay higher wages for the type of labor available on the farm without a substantial increase in the prices received by the farmers. The minimum wages as proposed by the Roosevelt minimum wage bill (HR10275) would be \$1.15 per hour beginning July 1, 1966, and \$1.25 per hour beginning July 1, 1968. Piece rate workers (cotton pickers, etc.) would be paid

the minimum hourly rate regardless of production. Farm Bureau leaders on a state and national level have opposed the minimum wage amendment.

## Tickets On Sale For Players

Season tickets for the Louisburg Players' 1965-66 season of Experimental Theatre become available to the public this week, according to an announcement made by the Players' Business Manager Sally Versteeg.

Productions of each play this year will offer the theatergoer a more convenient selection of evenings for attendance. Each play will run on Monday and Tuesday evenings and Thursday through Saturday evenings, with 8:00 curtain time. The bill for the season includes COME JUDGMENT DAY (Oct. 11, 12 - 14-16), RICHARD II (Jan. 3, 4, - 6-8), ONE MOMENT (March 7, 8, 10-12) and EVERYMAN (May 9, 10 - 12-14).

## School Officials On League Program

Members of the Louisburg School Committee and the principal of the Louisburg High School served as a panel to provide the program for the first meeting of the fall of the local League of Women Voters held last Tuesday night in the Blount Fellowship-Hall of the Methodist Church. Introduced by Mrs. Harvey Bartholomew, each member of the panel presented some phase of school work. Mr. Willis Nash spoke on the responsibilities of a school committee.

Mrs. Bland Pruitt presented the strengths and weaknesses of the Louisburg School, and Mr. L. C. Hasty discussed school problems brought about by social changes. The final speaker was Mr. Al Fox, principal of the local school, who gave some administrative problems of a school principal. A general question and answer period followed the formal presentations.

### Academy, Cascine, Green Hill

## Landmarks May Someday Get National Recognition



Cascine --- Franklin County Landmark

Thirty-three sites were recently recommended for the Registry of National Historical Landmarks in the United States. The National Park Service designates certain sites and buildings that possess "exceptional value in commemorating or illustrating the history of the United States." None of the thirty-three are located in Franklin County, but some of the local landmarks might well, someday, be included. Most of those listed consist of birthplaces of outstanding Americans, locals of famous battles and some naval vessels. With the planned restoration of the old Franklin Academy Building on the Louisburg College campus, and the ultimate establishment of a Franklin County Museum there, it is likely that in the distant future this may be listed in the Registry.

Other famous local landmarks such as Cascine, the restored early American home near Louisburg, and the Green Hill place, site of the First Methodist Conference, may also be included. At present, there is no planned exploitation of these local landmarks, and before they gain any prominence, they need to be publicized. These places and others in this area, while of importance to local residents, do not, of course, rate with such national sites as the newest thirty-three. There are 608 landmarks which are federally owned and administered, but most are state, community, or privately operated, according to the National Geographic Society. Among the latest are the birthplace of the late President Herbert Hoover in West Branch, Iowa; Pompey's Pillar, Yellowstone County, Montana, marked in 1806 as a stop in the

Lewis and Clark expedition, and the Bunker Hill Monument in Boston, Mass. Keauhou Holoa Slide, scene of Hawaii's version of the Olympic games, has been added to the Registry's list. Central Park in New York City is among the newer listings. The first telephone exchange in New Haven, Connecticut, whose switchboard began operation on January 28, 1878, and Stagg Field, University of Chicago, where, in a former squash court under the spectator stands, man produced the first self-sustaining nuclear reaction. It may well be some time before landmarks in our area gain the status of these widely-known memorials, but as the federal government moves over farther and faster into new regions in the beautification programs and with the growing interest in the preservation of our Americana, the possibilities are promising

## Mrs. E. L. Watson Heads PTA Harvest Festival

Mr. E. L. Watson has been named Chairman of the Louisburg PTA Harvest Festival to be held on Friday, October 8, 1965 at the local school, according to an announcement by the Publicity Committee. Mrs. Watson has been selected to head the mammoth project for the past several years. The Festival, an annual PTA event here, consists of the popular Country Store where anything from homemade pies to canned goods can be purchased and a variety show topped by the traditional popularity contest.

A new games event has been added for this year's program, including two famous clowns, pony rides, fortune telling and other events. The games portion of the program is scheduled outside the auditorium between 6 and 7:30 p.m. Another popular part of the

## Boy Scout Camp-o-ree

The Saponi District Fall Camp-o-ree will be held this Friday at Wendell. Over 300 Scouts are expected to attend. The Scouts will join in pan cake cooking, knot tying, first aid, canoeing, archery, mosquito and other contests. Troops from Centerville, Justice, White Level, Bunn, Louisburg, Franklinton, Youngsville, Wake Forest, Rolesville, Zebulon, and Wendell will attend. District Executive Tom Walwright urged all troops to pack up now for the biggest Camp-o-ree ever held in this area. Troops can check in at the Camp-o-ree any time Friday, October 1, from 3:30 on. The Camp-o-ree will end Saturday night at 9 p.m.; however, any troops that want to stay over until Sunday may do so.

## Local Clubs Observe National 4-H Club Week

National 4-H Club Week will be observed by some 2 1/4 million members from September 25 to October 2. There are some 94,805 clubs throughout the 50 states and Puerto Rico in both rural and urban areas. Franklin County 4-H'ers will observe the week in various ways. Various posters and window displays will be constructed around Louisburg and schools here in the county. Among aims of this year's 4-H Week observance are to encourage more young people, 9 to 19 years old, to join or form 4-H Clubs; acquaint more parents with 4-H and enlist their cooperation; urge a larger number of capable, public spirited men and women to volunteer as 4-H leaders; recognize the important part played by friends of 4-H locally and nationally, and express appreciation to them. There are some 367,000 4-H local leaders and 138,600 junior 4-H leaders aiding these young club members here and

elsewhere in their communities throughout the country. More information on 4-H is available from any County Agricultural Extension Agent, 4-H Club Agent, or Home Economics Extension Agent. Contact Polly O'Neal or James Stephenson at the County Extension Office in Louisburg.

## Betsy Green Teen Demo President

The Teen Democrats of Louisburg held their first meeting Thursday night, September 22, at Louisburg Methodist Church.

At the meeting officers for the coming year were chosen. Betsy Green was re-elected president; Jimmy Geddie was re-elected vice president; Jane McKinne, secretary; Bettie Lavender, treasurer; and Rita Patterson, reporter. They also got the different committees arranged and appointed.

This year the Teen Democrats are sponsored by Louisburg High School's principal, Al Fox. Refreshments were served by Anita Tillotson, Marilyn Stewart, Bettie Lavender, Betty Jo Tippet, and Rita Patterson to the fifteen members present. The next meeting has not been scheduled. Members will be notified.

## Democratic Women Set Convention

Franklin County Democratic Women are urged to attend the Democratic Women's State Convention September 30 - October 1, in Durham.

Convention Headquarters will be at the Jack Tar Hotel, with registration beginning at noon on Thursday. The opening session will begin at 2 p.m. A most interesting series of events is scheduled, including a bus trip to Raleigh for a tea at the Governor's Mansion. The convention will close with a banquet on Friday evening, at which time Governor Moore will speak.

Mrs. L. F. Oxnevad, president of the local group, stated today that she hopes the county organization will be well represented.

that some day we, too, might point with pride to the Conference Monument which overlooks the oldest Junior College in America and a town filled with history.