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The hard work of other people often explains the success of other men.

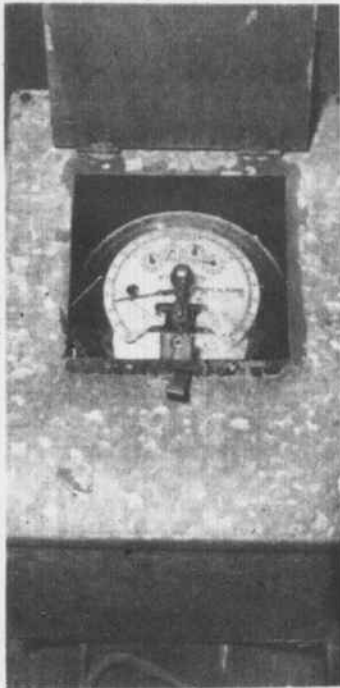
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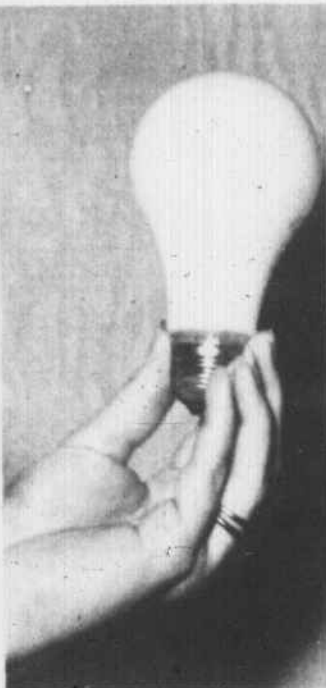
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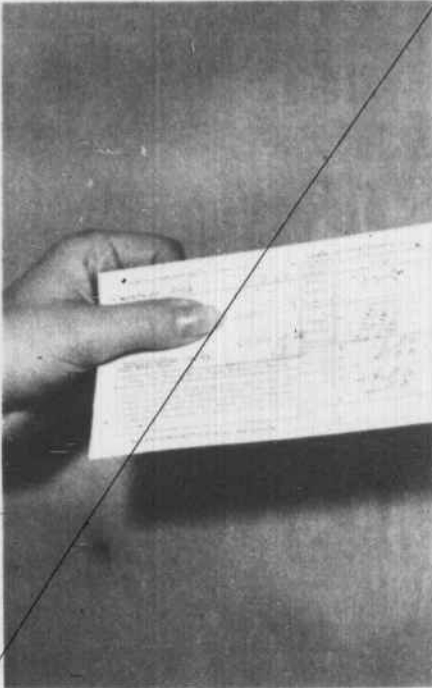
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Local Electric Rates Lower Than Most

Even though it may come as a surprise to some local users, electricity is cheaper in Louisburg than in most other communities. This report is backed

by figures supplied by Town Administrator E. S. Ford and released for publication Wednesday. Ford's information, taken

from a North Carolina League of Municipalities booklet, prepared in cooperation with the N. C. Association of Municipal Electric Systems, shows the

Louisburg rate a little above most of the others listed in the 25 KWH (Kilowatt Hours) rate, but lower than the majority listed in higher KWH use.

A COMPARISON COST OF RESIDENTIAL ELECTRIC SERVICE

AVERAGE CHARGES OF	25kwh	40kwh	100kwh	200kwh	500kwh	1000kwh	1500kwh	2000kwh
Carolina Power & Light Co.	\$1.50	\$1.56	\$3.40	\$6.75	\$10.50	\$17.63	\$24.38	\$31.13
Duke Power Co.	1.39	1.97	3.35	6.36	11.16	20.66	29.66	36.66
Virginia Electric Power Co.	1.50	1.80	4.00	7.40	11.80	19.10	26.10	33.10
Rocky Mount	1.38	2.20	4.30	7.30	10.70	19.90	29.90	39.90
Wilson	1.50	2.29	4.57	7.42	11.17	19.67	29.17	38.67
Tarboro	1.50	2.40	5.10	8.85	12.60	20.10	27.60	35.10
Wake Forest	1.50	2.39	4.50	8.10	12.10	19.60	27.10	34.60
Enfield	1.25	2.00	4.00	7.50	11.50	19.00	26.50	34.00
Louisburg (With 10% discount)	1.55	2.05	4.25	6.95	10.30	17.05	23.80	30.55
Louisburg (With Hot Water Heater)	1.55	2.05	4.25	6.95	9.40	15.80	22.55	29.30

Prepared by N. C. League of Municipalities in Cooperation with N. C. Association of Municipal Electric Systems.

Food Merchants To Hear Stamp Plan Explained Tuesday

The procedure for grocer participation in the food stamp program in Franklin County will be explained to food retailers at two meetings next week, the U. S. Department of Agriculture's Consumer and Marketing Service announced today.

The new food program, which will aid low-income families in Franklin County, is scheduled to get underway in March.

According to Sam W. Pope, food stamp program official of the Consumer and Marketing Service at Rocky Mount, grocer meetings for Franklin County food merchants, have been scheduled at 2:00 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Monday, February 14, at the Franklin County Courthouse in Louisburg.

Pope said the meetings are designed to acquaint retail grocers with the new food program. Pope and other representatives of the Consumer and Marketing Service will explain how food merchants can apply for participation in the food stamp program, the retailers' responsibilities under the program, and how the program benefits grocers and the entire community.

Every retail food merchant in Franklin County is being urged to attend one of the meetings, and apply for authorization to

accept the food coupons. Pope points out that if grocers wait until after the program gets started to apply for authorization, they may lose several food sales and possible some customers.

Its Done It Again

That crack Louisburg-to-Franklin "Express" has done it again. Just as it jumped the track here last Thursday afternoon, it jumped the track again Wednesday. This time a few yards down south from last week's derailment, but with more vigor. Two engines jumped off the rails, one unloaded coal car slipped its unloosed anchor hung on by the skin of its teeth or the thread of its metal tires.

A crew of Seaboard Railway personnel worked into the night Wednesday to get old faithful back on the road. Explanation: The track spread out and dropped the wheels onto the ground; Speculation: The old Express was bawling the jack. . . It's a long haul from Louisburg to Franklin. . . and "What happens twice will happen" . . . but you know the story.

tomers permanently. Authorization of food merchants--both retail and wholesale--is handled by the Consumer and Marketing Service. Retail grocers must be authorized before they can accept coupons from participating families. Without an authorization, a grocer cannot redeem the coupons for cash.

The food stamp program is administered jointly by the Consumer and Marketing Service and the N. C. Board of Public Welfare. The Welfare Department is responsible for interviews and certification of eligible needy families, and for issuance of the coupons to the families.

The Franklin County Welfare office is now taking applications from families wishing to take part in the program. Under the food stamp program, certified families exchange the amount of money they have been spending on food each month for USDA food coupons. Depending upon the size of their family and other factors, they then receive an additional amount of coupons free of charge to help them buy more food.

The coupons--about the size of a postage stamp--are issued

Franklinton Board Sets Make-up Days

(Frk. B.W.) At the monthly meeting of the Franklinton Board of Education on Monday evening the following days were scheduled as make-up days.

On Saturday, February 5, the first day of the six missed on account of the snow was a school day.

Two days, April 7 and April 12, which were originally scheduled as part of the Easter Holidays, will be school days. School will operate on Saturday after the Easter Monday Holiday. The other two make-up days will be added to the end of the year. Instead of school closing on May 29, it will close on May 31.

Easter Friday and Monday will remain holidays unless further bad weather makes it necessary to change.

Grand Jury Reports

Jailer Hours Too Long

The Franklin County Grand Jury report released this week says that Jailer W. L. Faulkner's working hours are too long and recommends that an additional man be employed to ease the load. The report says: "We found that the jailer has to work twenty-four hours per day, seven days a week, being off only six hours during the week. We recommend that an additional man be hired, giving each man a twelve-hour day."

The report also stated that the Grand Jury found the local jail clean and that necessary plumbing repairs have been accomplished. They again complained about the condition of the roof at the Boarding Home, but noted that was being taken care of at present. The Grand Jury endorsed the September 1965 Jury's request for additional vault and office space for the Clerk of Court's Office and asked that this be done as "soon as practical." The report also praised presiding Judge E. Maurice Braswell and county officials for their cooperation with the group.

Hearing Resumes Today At Raleigh In School Suit

Franklin County Superintendent of Schools Warren W. Smith was expected to return to the stand this morning as U. S. Eastern District Court resumed hearings on a preliminary injunction brought against the Franklin County Board of Education by the U. S. Justice Department. The hearings were slated to begin at 11 a.m. before Federal Judge Algernon Butler.

Smith spent over three hours on the witness stand as the hearings opened Tuesday in Clinton (N. C.). The Justice Department is seeking to have the Court issue an injunction against the Board of Education continuing to deny requests of thirty Negro pupils to transfer to schools of their choice under lateral transfer provisions of the Compliance Plan.

The Board contends that certain criteria for transfer, the plaintiffs contend that the criteria was not contained in the Plan as approved by Washington and that they have a right to attend the school of their choice. They say that denial of their applications by the Board violates their constitutional rights.

The criteria, as explained by the Board, is the same as in past years. The only two valid reasons for granting a transfer in grades not covered by the Freedom of Choice portion of the Plan are that parents establish residence in a different attendance area or that the student is qualified for and desires to obtain a subject in another school not available in the school now attended.

The hearing now in progress, however, is on the request for immediate admission of the students named, and the issue at hand apparently is the 14th Amendment to the U. S. Constitution, dealing with the rights of the plaintiffs.

Negro attorneys made it clear in court Tuesday that they would attack the Freedom of Choice plan itself in the case-in-chief when it is heard. Government attorneys, in their charges, seek assurance that the Board will make the Freedom of Choice system work to desegregate the system.

Attending the hearings in Clinton Tuesday and also expected to be present in Raleigh today are: Mrs. T. H. Dickens, Chairman of the Franklin County Board of Education; Clint Fuller, Vice Chairman; Horace W. Baker, Lloyd West and Jones Winston, Board members; Superintendent Warren W. Smith and Board Attorneys E. F. Yarbrough of Louisburg and Irvin Tucker, Jr., of Raleigh.

Plaintiffs attending the hearings are: Rev. Luther Coppedge, his wife and son, Harold Douglas and Irene Arrington of Louisburg. The government is represented by Howard Fink,

Washington (D. C.) attorney, and the Negro group is represented by Conrad O. Pearson of Durham and J. LeVonne Chambers of Charlotte.

The government and Negro attorneys entered seven exhibits in evidence in Tuesday's hearing which included: Statement of Office of Education on Compliance guidelines, letter, containing a copy of the Franklin County file as contained in the Washington Office of Education, a copy of the letter of approval of the Plan, twenty-one sheets relating to applications; and papers pertaining to the withdrawal of two Negro students at Louisburg High School.

Mr. Fink, in his opening remarks to the Court, stated the government's position and maintained that the Board did not inform the parents of the criteria for granting a transfer. He cited the Supreme Court

ruling in a case (Bradley vs. School Board) in which admission was granted to pupils under similar circumstances in their case.

Attorneys for the local Negro group cited their position as that of the government's and added a request for geographic attendance in lieu of a Freedom of Choice plan. They claimed that the same criteria was not required of both white and Negro children in lateral transfers. There were no applications for lateral transfer made by white students for the past year.

Defense Attorney Tucker pointed out that the preliminary injunction motion should not be granted unless there is a clear case that the Board has violated the constitutional rights of these people.

Smith, through cross-examination by Board Attorney E. F. Yarbrough, told of problems

involved in mid-year transfers, citing specifically busing and obtaining like-subjects.

One basic issue, which has drawn attention to the case, is yet to be inserted into the hearings. That is, the right of a newspaper to report actions taken by this Board of Education and other public bodies. Both the government and the Negro suits seek to have the Board enjoined from releasing names of future Negro applicants and thereby closing the Board minutes and meetings to the press.

It was deemed unlikely that Judge Butler will issue a decision in the case today, if, indeed, the hearings are finished. Plaintiff attorneys indicated that they would present additional witnesses in the case, and the defense was not expected to take over until late today in presenting their witnesses and remarks.

Little Doubt But That Speed Will Follow

Singleton, Drake Announce For District House Seats

Henderson Mayor Carroll V. Singleton and Warren County Representative Wilton R. Drake have announced as candidates for seats in the N. C. House of Representatives subject to the

May 28th Democratic Primary. The newly formed 16th District is made up of Franklin, Vance and Warren counties and will be allowed two seats in the House.

Franklin Representative James D. Speed has not announced, but in a recent conversation with Times Editor Clint Fuller, Speed left little doubt but that he will be a candidate for reelection. Vance Representative A. A. Zollicoffer, Jr., announced recently that he would not be a candidate.

Singleton, now in his third term as Mayor of Henderson, is 46 years old, a graduate of Henderson High School and the University of Alabama. He is a veteran of six years' service in the U. S. Army and has held a number of high governmental and civic posts. His main interests have centered in the area of industrial development, and he was instrumental in the establishment of the Gay Products plant in Louisburg two years ago.

Drake, operator of an insurance agency in Warrenton since 1942, is a native of Macon, N. C., where he now lives. Prior to his election to the House in 1964, he was Mayor of Macon for 15 years. He is active in the Democratic Party organization in Warren County and has served as delegate to the National Party Convention.

Singleton issued the following statement in making his announcement:

"During three terms as a municipal officer, I have become thoroughly familiar with the problems of our cities and towns. At one time, I was engaged in the farm equipment



Carroll V. Singleton



W. R. Drake

Commissioners Rehire Deputy Tax Collector

The Franklin County Commissioners renewed the contract of Deputy Tax Collector W. J. (Buddy) Debnam for another year in their regular monthly meeting held here Monday. Debnam has been in charge of collecting delinquent taxes and the present contract expires on March 31.

In addition to hearing reports from various county agencies,

the Board took no action on a Group Hospital proposal presented by Louisburg insurance man Harvey Bartholomew.

The Franklin County Firemen's Association was granted an appropriation of \$150 to supplement funds the Association has on hand to use in the purchase of an oxygen storage tank. The money is to come from appropriations already made for the Association in this year's budget.

A copy of the Grand Jury's report was presented to the Board, and Industrial Development Director W. J. Benton presented the Board with two plaques prepared from the newly published Franklin County Industrial brochure.

Fountain Opposes Lunch Fund Cutback

Rep. I. H. Fountain, of the Second District, expressed his all-out opposition to any and all proposals, be they from the President or elsewhere, which would have the effect of cutting back on the School Lunch and the Special Milk Programs.

"It may be true," Mr. Fountain said, "that other Federal monies will be available for these purposes and that the President is attempting to redirect these programs so as to make them primarily available to the underprivileged and disadvantaged children." "This is well and good," he said, "but not quite sure yet what is being proposed. However," he continued, "when we are scattering money all over national and international lots for one thing or another (some good and some not so good), and the fact that the School Lunch and Special Milk Programs reach the nutritionally deprived

children of economically sound parents as well as the economically deprived ones, should not result in a cutback in the programs."

"It is a well-known fact," he continued, "that a large percentage of our students whether from poor or financially-able families, are not provided with well-balanced meals at home. The Milk Program and the School Lunch Program are intended to improve the physical and mental standards of all of our children. The fact that the School Lunch Program provides at least one meal per day and emphasizes the necessity of proper eating is sufficient justification for the cost."

"I am not so concerned about the particular program which provides the funds for milk and food to more than 900,000 children who are involved as I

Annual Demo Dinner Set

The Franklin County Democratic Party will hold its annual fund raising dinner here on Saturday, February 19, at 7:30 p.m., according to an announcement by A. E. Pearce, Chairman of the Executive Committee.

Clifton Beckwith, Executive Secretary of the North Carolina Employee's Association, will be the featured speaker. The meeting will be held in the Louisburg College Cafeteria and tickets are available from the precinct chairman, the announcement states.

Not every technographer knows how to make a typewriter type right.

Recorder's Court Docket

The following cases were disposed of during a session of Recorder's Court on February 8th:

Robert Lee Booze, c/m, assault with deadly weapon with intent to kill. Upon recommendation of Solicitor, the State takes a nol pro with leave. Robert Lee Booze, c/m, unlawful possession of whiskey and unlawful possession of whiskey. Court orders commitment to issue for failure to comply with judgment if not paid by 5 p.m. today. Roy Thorpe, c/m, motor vehicle violation. On motion of Solicitor, Court orders commitment to issue for failure to comply with judgment of 12/7/65.

Ernest (Shorty) Ayscue, w/m, attempt to break and enter. Hearing waived. To post \$3,000.00 appearance bond. Robert Homer Parker, w/m/27, speeding. Pleads guilty under waiver statute. \$15.00 fine and costs. Billy Lee Brinkley, w/m/35, speeding. Pleads guilty under waiver statute. \$10.00 fine and costs. William Allen Newman, w/m/22, speeding. Pleads guilty under waiver statute. \$10.00 fine and costs. Clarence Demos Dement, w/m/35, speeding. Pleads guilty under waiver statute. \$15.00 fine and costs.

Sherrill Lane Harris, w/m/23, speeding. \$5.00 fine and costs. Gene Autry McKinney, w/m/30, speeding. State takes a nol pro with leave. William Edward Alston, w/m/36, speeding. Pleads guilty under waiver statute. \$10.00 fine and costs. Lois Mae Price, w/t/20, speeding. Pleads guilty under waiver statute. \$12.00 fine and costs. Dock Edgar Johnson, w/m/22, speeding. Pleads guilty under waiver statute. \$10.00 fine and costs. Grover Lee Baker, w/m/48, speeding. Pleads guilty under waiver statute. \$10.00 fine and costs. See COURT page 5