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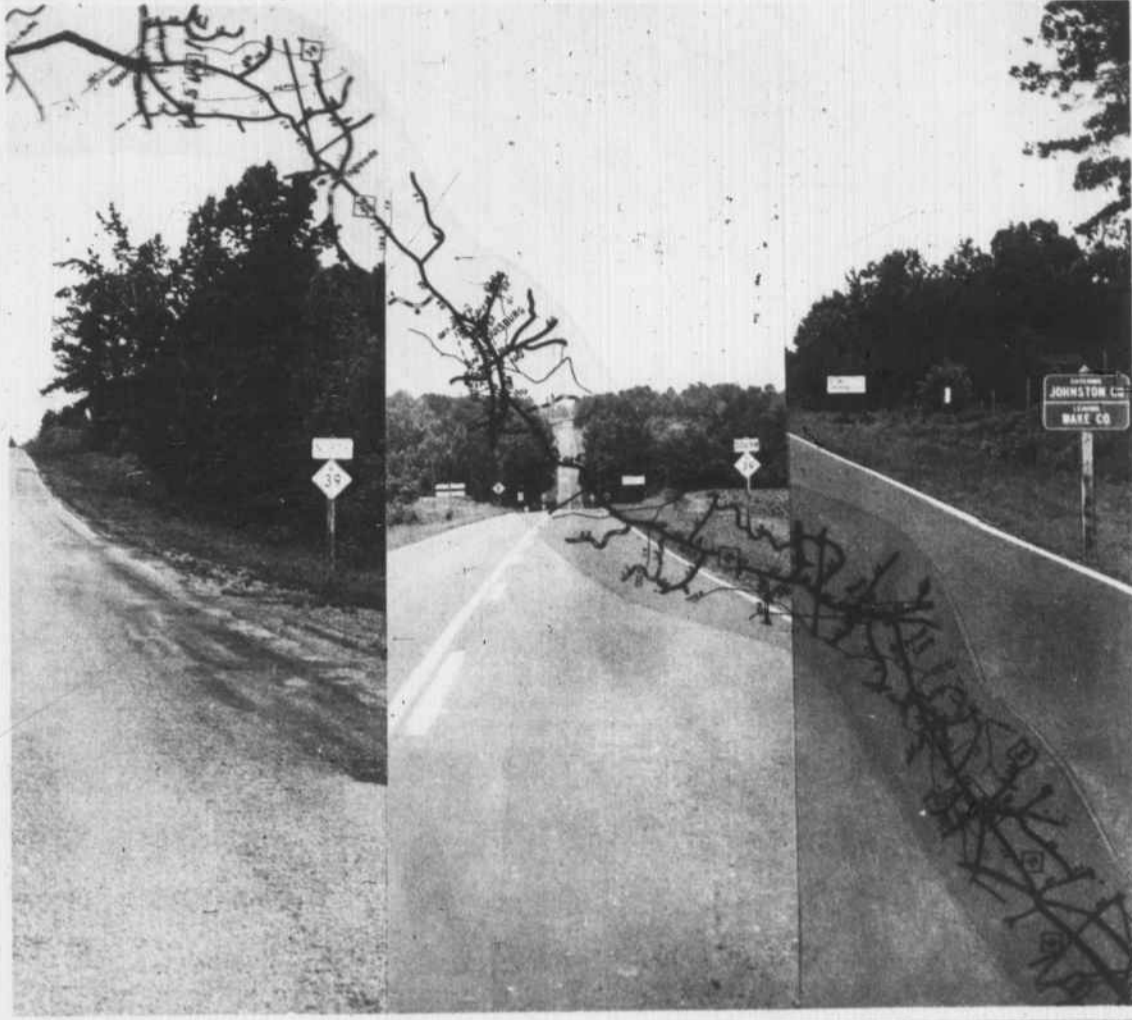
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In The Matter Of Primary Roads, Franklin Is The Have-Not County

Miguel De Cervantes (1547-1616) wrote: "Dos linages solos hay en mundo, como decia una abuelia mia, que son el tener y el no tener." There are but two families in the world, as my grandmother used to say, the Haves and the Have-nots.

In the matter of primary roads, Franklin County is very definitely a member of the "Have-not" family.

A typical example of this is N. C. 39, which enters Franklin County at Epsom in the Northwest and snakelike makes its way through the heart of the county, splitting Franklin County through the middle and finally winding its way into more fertile grounds below Pilot in the Southeast.

Through Franklin County, N. C. 39 is a rolling gravel-based black-top road, slightly better in some places than many dirt roads. The edges are worn and motorists can hardly tell when they run off the so-called pavement. The curves are dangerous, the holes are many and the patches are beyond tabulating.

But, as N. C. 39 prods along its merry way through the home of the "Have-nots," better things lie ahead when it passes into the county of the "Haves." For some, unknown reason N. C. 39 is allowed to remain in poor condition for 2.4 miles into Wake County. But, once past that little oversight, she does quite well.

At the intersection of U. S. 264 in Wake County, N. C. 39 becomes, as do most roads in Wake, a wide, smooth, freshly improved thoroughfare. Six tenths of a mile further and N. C. 39 enters another of the "Have" counties, Johnston. The long straight stretches of smooth blacktop makes us "Have-nots" water at the mouth.

There is no excuse for this. People in Wake and Johnston pay no more and, while we're happy they have good roads, really hold no greater right to them than we here in Franklin County.

The time for action on the part of the State Highway Commission has long passed. It is obvious this august body has nothing in mind for Franklin County, save more of the same.

We may not get the road improvements due us, but the day of quietness is over. Until we do, the word is out. And it will continue to go out as long as Franklin remains a "Have-not" county.

Bunn, Franklinton, County Apply For \$1 Million In Loans

The towns of Bunn and Franklinton and the County of Franklin have applied for loans and grants through the Farm Home Administration for funds which, if approved, will amount to just under \$1 million. The funds are sought for improved water and sewerage facilities, surveys and establishment of such facilities. Franklinton has taken the first step in their application by filing a formal inquiry. Bunn

has already filed the formal inquiry and is now preparing their formal loan and grant applications. Franklin County's loan and grant application is now in the processing stages. No individual figures were available on the three separate projects. It was learned, however, that Bunn is seeking funds to establish a municipal water system and possible a sewage system. Franklinton, concerned with an inadequate municipal water system is making application for assistance in needed improvements and expansion.

Franklin County is seeking a grant to finance an Area Comprehensive Plan, which will cover the entire county. The purpose of this planning will be to collect data to enable communities and towns, plus individual associated groups when water and sewer systems are needed, to make intelligent approaches to solutions of their problems.

Mr. Tom Marshall, FHA Supervisor, explains that loans and grants, under the present program, are not only available to incorporated towns, but are also available for community associations. His office has a host of information on such projects and will be happy to assist all groups in their plans, he stated. The Bunn project, long discussed in that area, has brought out the fact that the engineering firm of Peirson and Whitman, Inc. of Raleigh has been employed to map plans. Actually, Wilson and Doby are the engineers for the Bunn area, but are reportedly associated with the older firm, which has for years acted as consulting engineers for the town of Louisburg. All three applications are in the early stages and no immediate action is anticipated on them. However, it indicates a rise in concern over water and sewer systems in the county and could lead to increased interest by other communities. Loans under the Financial

Masonic Notice

George M. West, Master, announces that there will be a Third Degree at Louisburg Lodge 413 on Tuesday evening June 28 at 7:30. Prior to the meeting, Eastern Star will serve a dutch covered dish supper beginning at 6 o'clock. Proceeds will go to help tile the basement floor. All Master Masons are fraternally invited.



Information For Directory

James Shearin, manager of Leggett's Dept. Store here, is shown above, left, Wednesday afternoon giving information to A. P. Flyler, representative of the Mullin-Kille Company. The firm is compiling a City Directory for the towns of Louisburg, Franklinton and Youngsville. Mr. Flyler is heading up the canvassing necessary in the preparation of the Directory. Others will soon be going house to house in the area seeking information to be contained in the book. --Staff photo by Clint Fuller.

Recorder's Court

The following cases were disposed of during a session of Recorder's Court on Tuesday, June 21: Ronnie Herbert Tingin, w/m, 19, no operator's license.

State takes Nol Pros with leave. Harden Jones, c/m, 43, motor vehicle violation. State takes Nol Pros with leave. Fred Marshall Daniel, w/m, 30, speeding. \$10.00 fine and costs. Jimmy Cole Morris, w/m, 22, speeding, \$15.00 fine and costs. James Edward Sanders, non support. State takes Nol Pros on payment of costs. Willie Andrew Thomas, c/m, 28, assault with deadly weapon. Court finds defendant has not complied with judgment and orders commitment to issue. Sentence suspended is paid today. Joe Duke Radford, w/m, no operator's license. Discharged on payment of costs. Johnnie Lee Noble, c/m, 30, operating auto intoxicated. State takes Nol Pros to first court; defendant pleads guilty to second count of careless and reckless driving. \$50.00 fine and costs. Henry S. Hawkins, worthless check. Discharged on payment of check and costs. Cronly E. Hunt, w/m, worthless check. State takes Nol Pros. Willie Walters, c/m, 40, speeding. \$10.00 fine and costs. John Cleveland Perry, w/m, public drunkenness, unlawful possession of whiskey. 6 months in jail, suspended on payment of \$25.00 fine and costs, within 30 days. Tommy Allen Wright, w/m, 24, speeding. \$10.00 fine

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Open Abandoned Well

Innocent looking scene at left is in reality a very dangerous pitfall for any youngster playing in the area. It is the site of an open abandoned well. Youth in center photo measures depth of hole and, at right, holding the mark shows that it is deeper than the height of him and his sister. Children this size could fall into the hole and never be discovered. The spot is located just off N. C. Highway 56 between the road and the county Welfare building. Whether it is the responsibility of the Town of Louisburg or the State Highway Commission, someone should see to it that this booby trap is filled before some youngster gets hurt. Children shown are Scott and Julie Debnam. --Staff photos by Clint Fuller.

Run-off For Harris Township Constable Only Race Saturday

Citizens of Harris Township will go to the polls Saturday in the only run-off being held in the county this year. Incumbent Joe W. Joyner, front-runner in the May 28 Democratic Primary for Constable is being opposed by Karl Strickland, who placed second in the three-man race. Elmo Cash was third man in the May 28 election and was eliminated. Joyner polled 260; Strickland landed 199, and Cash received 99 votes in the May Primary. In 1964 Joyner was also taken to a second primary, this time by Cash. Joyner won with 243 votes to Cash's 219. Harris precinct voted 543 in the May 28 Primary and voted 472 in the runoff election in 1962. A light vote is predicted for Saturday, since the Joyner-Strickland race is the only contest. In 1962 there were two state runoffs between Governor Dan K. Moore and Richardson Preyer and between Lt. Governor Bob Scott and Clifton Blue. In addition, there was a hotly contested race between Rep. James D. Speed and James T. (Joe) Moss. All these tended to bring out a large electorate in 1962.

Both Strickland and Joyner have been conducting a vigorous campaign in Harris Township since the "first" election. The County Board of Education is meeting today to open bids for two mobile kitchens and a mobile office under the ESEA program. Bids on these were to be opened this morning at the Education office. The Board is expected to also take up the new budget, which has been presented to the Board of County Commissioners for approval and to approve five new teachers in the various county schools. A letter from Mr. Harold Howe, II, U. S. Commissioner of Education, is also slated for discussion. The letter, reportedly, pertains to faculty desegregation. Other items on today's agenda include some repairs at Gold Sand, Perry's and Gethsemane

Schools and employment of carpenters for the purpose of making these repairs. A proposed salary schedule is also slated for action today. The salary schedule applies to the county garage and maintenance personnel. Some discussion may be held on long range plans in light of the continued delay in a proposed cafeteria by the Franklinton School Board, due to the two administrative units not having coordinated plans. The delay is due to the lack of state approval of the Franklinton expenditure. The County Board has earlier endorsed the Franklinton proposal as within the long range plans for the entire county.

Epsom Lions Name New Officers

New officers of the Epsom Lions club were elected and installed at the regular meeting last Thursday night. Serving in the 1966-67 year will be: E. C. Edwards, president; Osmond Garrard, first vice president; Nelson Falkner, second vice president; John Bowen, third vice president; Bobby Moss, secretary-treasurer; Julian Weidon, tall twister; B. M. Newman, assistant tall twister; Sam Beasley, lion tamer. Serving as directors for a one-year period will be Irvin In-scoe, Russell Eaves, W. J. Wrenn, and John Grissom; for two years - Sam Southerland and Fred Peoples. Kenneth Fuller, immediate past president, presided over the meeting and serving as installing officer was C. Ray Proette, member of the Franklinton Lions club. The Epsom club is now sponsoring a Lions club in Rolesville, with charter night for the new organization scheduled Friday evening in Rolesville.



Mrs. Whitfield In Boston Meeting

Mrs. Richard Whitfield of Franklinton is presiding this week at the meeting of the Ladies Auxiliary of the American Optometric Society in Boston, Mass. She is president of the Auxiliary. Dr. Whitfield is attending the meeting of the Society. They were accompanied by their daughters, Martha and Richie.