



## Would You Believe It Was Homecoming?

Would you believe---33-0? And would you believe it was Homecoming? Perhaps Louisburg should have suspected what was to come. There was an omen. As the football squad raced on the field-ala homecoming everywhere the plan was that the first player on the field was to break through a thin sheet of paper, held ever so securely by a couple of cute cheerleaders.

When the burly old boy hit the paper, he took everything but the two cheerleaders with him. The paper didn't tear. And therein lay the full night's story. Louisburg had made its first mistake. It showed up for the game. The crowd was large. It moved around quite a bit. Otherwise a fellow would have frozen to death. Many veteran game watchers brought the usual colorful blankets, thermos of

coffee (we suspect) and an illustrious array of hoods, boots, gloves and what-have-you.

Some brought lawn chairs. About the only use a person might have for them this time of year. Others came to aid in Lady Bird's beautification program-that is, they stood much like the trees being planted in front of highway junk yards, between the view of the fans and the unsightly slaughter

on the football field. For many of those who didn't get to see the game-it might have been a blessing.

There were Queens. While only one was actually selected Homecoming Queen, all four of the lovelies looked the part. Their drivers had their bangs cut and their hair combed. Boys look fairly nice when you see them this way. Might See HOMECOMING Page 6

### Civil Defense Meet Set Thursday

George Champion, Jr., Franklin County Director of Civil Defense, has announced a special meeting to be held in the Louisburg School Auditorium Thursday night at 7:30 p.m. Champion said Mr. Sam Hawkins of the State Public Health Service will be present and will show a film on "Package Disaster Hospitals."

Champion said the public is invited to the meeting and he is urging all units connected with first aid and civil defense to attend.

### Market Average

William Boone, Sales Supervisor of the Louisburg Tobacco market reported today that sales on the local market last Thursday, Friday and Monday totaled 645,295 pounds and brought \$47,661.71. The three-day average was set at \$64.24.

### County Native Wins Legion Of Merit

The Army Legion of Merit has been awarded to Col. Arthur T. Strickland (Retired) for his services to the National Aeronautics and Space Administration as Chief of Cartography for NASA's Lunar and Planetary Division.

The presentation was made for the Army by Dr. Homer E. Newell, NASA Associate Administrator for Space Science and Applications. Col. Strickland, who retired early this year from the Corps of Engineers, served with NASA in 1964, directing the making of Moon maps which astronauts will use in the Apollo manned lunar landing program.

Col. Strickland, born and educated in North Carolina, received the medal for "exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services."

Concerning his moon mapping work at NASA, the citation said, "His resourcefulness,

### Jaycees Start Candy Sale

The Louisburg Jaycees got their annual Halloween candy sale underway here last night. The organization canvassed the town door to door Monday night.

Bill O'Neal, President of the organization said proceeds from the sale of the candy will go to the Community Development fund, which is to be used in conjunction with other local civic groups in a beautification program here.

O'Neal also urged everyone to contact a Jaycee for their Halloween candy, in the event some were missed in last night's canvass.

skillfully organized a comprehensive program in the field of mapping and geodesy to provide the support required for the advancement of national scientific programs.

"Col. Strickland's distinguished performance of duty throughout this period represents outstanding achievement in the finest traditions of the United States Army and reflects distinct credit upon himself and the military service."

Born in Franklin County, North Carolina, where he attended Edward Best High School, Col. Strickland received his Bachelor of Civil Engineering degree from North Carolina State University at Raleigh in 1940. He also did graduate study at Purdue University in 1956.

He entered the Army in 1942, serving overseas in the Southwest Pacific during World War II, in Germany from 1949 to 1952, and with the U. S. Army

### Franklinton Hallowe'en Reminder

Franklinton Police Chief Leo Edwards requested today that children in the Franklinton area observe the traditional house-to-house Hallowe'en trick or treating on Saturday night. Edwards said the annual Hallowe'en Party is to be held Saturday night and asked the cooperation of all in making this the one night for Hallowe'en festivities.

Chief Edwards also reminded the public of the Franklinton Town ordinance against persons over 12 years old participating in trick or treat and the provision of the ordinance which prohibits the wearing of masks by persons over twelve.

Map Service in the Far East from 1956 to 1960.

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### Weekend Accidents Keep Officials On The Go

The Louisburg Rescue Service was kept busy over the weekend with five calls for aid. Bunn and Louisburg firemen tackled two automobile blazes.

The Rescuers began their weekend around 7 a.m. Saturday with a call to aid a man identified as James Kinton. He was taken to Franklin Memorial Hospital. A short time later, the Service was called to aid another man, identified as Doc Foster near Seven Paths. He, too, was taken to the local hospital.

Around noon Saturday, a car reportedly driven by James Hodge, c/m/21, carrying four Negro passengers overturned on State Rural Road 1001 between Hall's Crossroads and Five Points. All received

injuries, according to reports but Hodge was admitted to the local hospital. In the same section of the county, later in the afternoon, a car reportedly driven by Harold Beddingfield, a Bunn plumber, ran off the road, striking a bridge abutment and overturned in a creek. The accident occurred between Bunn and Getsemane Schools.

Louisburg firemen were summoned to a local car dealer lot to extinguish a fire in the Beddingfield car, following the vehicle having been pulled to the lot for possible repairs. Bunn firemen answered a call Saturday night to the home of a man identified as Robert L. Brodie, whose car was burning while parked in his yard.

Rescuers finished off the weekend with a car Sunday morning to aid Walter Debnam at his home near Hickory Rock. Mr. Debnam was taken to Wake Memorial Hospital after first receiving first aid by the Rescuers and a local physician at his home.

In other weekend actions, Guy Dean, Jr., Rt. 2, Louisburg Negro, was wounded in the arm and chest around 11 p.m. when he was reportedly shot at Perry's Inn on N. C. 56 west of Louisburg. Johnny Stallings, Louisburg Negro, is charged with the shooting.

Sidney Coley, county Negro is charged with assault with intent to kill in the axe attack on Albert Thorne, 23- See ACCIDENTS Page 6

### Rep. Fountain A Visitor Here Friday



#### Democrats

Second District Congressman L. H. Fountain is pictured above with some of the party faithful at a brief luncheon meeting here last Friday. Pictured left to right, John York, Hill Yarborough, Rep. Fountain, Jimmy Weathers, State Rep. James D. Speed and Charles Davis. The Democratic candidate for re-election to Congress met with local supporters and spoke briefly on plans for the final weeks of the campaign. Staff Photo by Clint Fuller

Second District Congressman L. H. Fountain was a visitor in the area last Friday. The Democratic candidate met at a local restaurant with several supporters to map plans for the campaign here.

The veteran of 14 years in the House of Representatives, spoke briefly to the group pointing to his opponent's activities in the area and the similarity in the names of both Republican candidates in the Fourth and in the local district here. Jim Gardner of Rocky Mount is running against Congressman Harold Cooley, in neighboring Fourth District. Reese Gardner of Kinston is Fountain's opponent in the Second District which embodies Franklin County.

Jim Gardner ran two years ago against Cooley. Reese Gardner is a newcomer to the political scene.

Fountain briefly outlined his stands on current issues while here Friday. He said that he differed with the Johnson administration, although he was a Democrat. "I will not allow them to run me out of the party", he stated. He asked that the voter consider his record of opposition to the present Johnson administration with particular emphasis, he attacked a proposed federal

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### Reese Gardner A Visitor Here Thursday

Reese Gardner of Kinston, Republican candidate for Congress from the Second Congressional District made a brief visit to the area last Thursday night to meet with local Republican supporters and to speak to the Louisburg Rotary Club.

Gardner was accompanied to the local civic club meeting by William Wagner of Louisburg, local Republican leader and a member of the county board of Elections and Jeff Bartholomew, vice president of the Young Republican Club at Louisburg College.

Gardner, in his address to the local Rotary Club, made reference to the fact that in some quarters he was being mistaken for Jim Gardner, the Rocky Mount businessman running against Congressman Harold Cooley in the fourth Congressional District. The young man had nothing but kind remarks to say about his opposition, Congressman L.H. Fountain of Tarboro. He referred to Rep. Fountain as a very fine man. Gardner did, however, take a slap at the present Johnson administration with particular emphasis, he attacked a proposed federal

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#### Republicans

Kinston businessman and Republican candidate for Congress from the Second District, Reese Gardner is shown above, left, with Willis Dupree, local Republican candidate for County Commissioner. Gardner met here briefly last Thursday night with Dupree and other local supporters following an address to the Louisburg Rotary Club. Photo by Jeff Bartholomew.