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Man Shot Over \$4

A 25-year-old Rt.3 Waite Forest Negro, charged in a July 15, 1966 slaying, was wounded in the hip as a result of an argument over the theft of \$4 early Sunday morning, according to Sheriff William T. Dement.

McCoy Wiggins was shot with a .22 caliber pistol at the home of Willie Grey Dunston near Moore's Pond here after Dunston accused Wiggins of stealing \$4 from him.

Sheriff Dement reported that he was called around 4 a. m. Sunday to go to the scene and found Dunston holding Wiggins at gunpoint with a shotgun and a pistol. Dement said he charged Dunston with assault with a deadly weapon and Wiggins with carrying a concealed weapon after finding a pistol

Wiggins was taken to Franklin Memorial Hospital for treatment and Dunston was returned home. Both are scheduled for trial on May 2 in Recorder's Court here.

Wiggins is awaiting trial in the pistol slaying of Larry Eugene Brodie on July 15, 1966 at a Negro nightspot 3 miles south of Franklinton

One Killed One Jailed

A 26-year-old Negro from Wake Forest is confined in the local jail charged with the murder of his cousin in front of a Negro nightspot here early Saturday morning.

Louisburg Police Chief Earl Tharrington reports that William Henry Harris is charged with the fatal shooting of James Dennis Harris, Jr., also of Wake Forest while the latter sat in his car in front of Maxine Moore's Place on Perry Street here around 4 a.m. Saturday.

Chief Tharrington said no apparent reason had been given for the shooting. The victim was shot with what Tharrington reported was a .12 guage sawed-off shotgun. William Harris accompanied his cousin to the local hospital after the shooting and was picked up a short time later and jailed.



The Truck



The Car

Staff Photos by Clint Fuller

hearing for Franklinton City Schools by the U. S. Office of Education is now set for Monday of next week. School officials will travel to Washington next Sunday and plan to stay in the capital until the hearings are completed.

Ten officials and a local minister will make the trip, including the Board's attorneys, W. P. Pearce of Franklinton and Irvin Tucker of Raleigh. Superintendent Fred S. Rogers and seven members of the Board are also scheduled to attend. The group will be led by acting chairman of the Board, Dr. Richard C. Whitfield with Board members C. H. Weston, Rupert Pearce, William A. Wilder, Howard Conyers, Brodie Green and Joe R. Whitaker. Rev. Arnold Pope, pastor of the Franklinton Methodist Church will also attend. Board chairman John bert are not scheduled to make the trip.

The Hyde County Schools began their hearing yesterday; Fremont Schools are scheduled for Wednesday of this week. Elm City will follow the Franklinton hearings next Wednesday.

Franklinton's troubles began last August with a visit from a team of Health, Education and Welfare Department personnel. Negotiations between the Board and the HEW officials resulted in the Board agreeing, first to transfer two seventh grade classes from B. F. Person-Albion School to the predominantly white Franklinton High School. When word of the agreement leaked to the public, Franklinton citizens called for a mass

meetings followed and on Sep tember 7, the Board did reverse its original decision. Shortly thereafter the unit was placed on the deferred list and future federal assisted projects were halted.

Officials said the cases of three other North Carolina school districts had been scheduled for hearings in the same period, but proceedings See FRANKLINTON Page 6

Man Wanted Here Sentenced In Mass.

setts man, wanted here for the fatal shooting of a carnival worker last October, has been sentenced to two concurrent long terms in Pittsfield, Mass. for assault on his wife.

Herbert Gene Earl, 37, is charged with shooting B. J. Mulkey at the Franklin County Fair grounds around 4:30 p.m. meeting on Saturday, August last October 6. Mulkey re-27, to ask the Board to remained in critical condition in Duke Hospital until his verse its decision. Other

A 37-year-old Massachu- | death on November 9. While Mulkey remained alive, Earl was tried in Franklin Recorder's Court and given 18 months on the roads for assault. He was sent to the Vance County Prison farm. He escaped while on work release a few days before Mulkey died, made his way to Massachusetts and, accord-

ing to reports, stabbed his See MAN Page 2

Franklinton School Case

The following are the dates and occurances which have resulted in the Franklinton School system being faced with a hearing Monday in Washington. The dates, in some instances, are estimated as all actions were not made public on the date they occurred.

August 27, 1965: Franklinton High School integrated with 13 of 15 Negroes assigned reporting for opening day, without incident.

August 25, 1966: A team from Office of Education

visits Franklinton.

August 27, 1966: Public meeting held to ask Board not to go through with decision to move two seventh grades from B. F. Person to Franklinton High School as agreed upon with federal team

September 1, 1966: School opening delayed. September 7, 1966: Schools open. Talks continued.

Board reverses decision.

September 22, 1966: Congressman L. H. Fountain asks Harold Howe, II, Commissioner of Education to

October 4, 1966: Franklinton unit of NCEA backs administration in controversy.

November 17, 1966: Rep. Fountain asks Howe to explain Franklinton Case.

November 25, 1966: HEW launches enforcement proceedings against school unit.

December 1, 1966: Franklinton Board will answer

charges, seek hearing.

December 15, 1966: Charges answered, hearing re-

December 22, 1966: Unit loses National Defense Education Act funds.

January 4, 1967: Unit loses Vocational funds. January 27, 30, 1967: Board holds public meetings

to explain new plah.

January 30, 1967: Board adopts Freedom of Choice
Plan for 1967-68 school year. February 21, 1967: Hearing date announced as

February 23, 1967. April 15, 1967: Hearing date announced as April 24.

Eight Injured In Head-On Collision At Franklinton A grinding head-on crash of derwent an operation at Duke and was listed in serious con-

an automobile and a pickup truck one mile south of Franklinton Saturday night resulted in eight persons being hospitalized, some in critical condition.

An unofficial report this morning said that all the victims still in hospitals are improving. Reports Sunday indicated that at least two and possibly four were in critical condition.

The accident occurred, according to State Trooper W. S. Etheridge, on U. S. 1-A when a 1960 Chevrolet, reportedly driven by Raymond Fogg, c/m/25, a soldier stationed at Ft. Bragg, whose home was listed as Route 1, Youngsville, rounded a curve on the wrong side of the highway and plowed into a 1967 Dodge pickup being driven by Clarence Winston Mitchell, w/m/32 of Raleigh, formerly of Franklinton. Both vehicles were described as total losses

Mitchell was described as in "poor condition" Sunday by Trooper Etheridge. Fogg unHospital for possible brain damage Sunday and was reported in "fair condition" Monday.

Mrs. Jo Ann Mitchell Mc-

Lamb, w/f/25, sister to the driver of the pickup, was listed as in critical condition Sunday with massive cerebal hemorraging. Her 3-year-old daughter, Pamela, also a passenger in the truck, was released from Duke Sunday after being treated for bruises and abrasions. Bobby Council, w/m/ 28, riding in the rear of the truck, was also released. He suffered minor leg and head injuries. Mitchell and the Mc-Lambs reside at 3905 Fayetteville Road, Raleigh. Council lives at 428 Grissom St., Raleigh. Mrs. McLamb and Mitchell lived at Franklinton until about a year ago.

Passengers in the Fogg car included Edward Lee Teasley, c/m/14, and his sister, Carolyn Teasley, c/t/17. The boy suffered internal injuries and the girl, first released after examination, later went into unconciousness

Locals In Durham Livestock Show

Junior Livestock Show and Sale, involving eight counties and some 65 steers and 74 market hogs is history. According to the judges, the quality of the animals at the Show and Sale was the best ever. Of the 65 steers - 11 graded prime; 46 choice; 7 good; and 1 standard.

Franklin County 4-H'ers entered 15 steers and 15 market hogs. Of the 15 steers, 2 gra-ded prime, 12 choice, and 1 good. Eleven of the market hogs received blue ribbons. 3 red ribbons, and one was too light and was not judged.

Billy Moss of Youngsville showed the Reserve Champ-Sale. His steer graded prime and was purchased by Hartman's Steak House of Durham for \$40.00 per hundred pounds. Two other Franklin County steers placed first in their groups. These steers were exhibited by Dexter and

Wesley Denton of Centerville. A Franklin County 4-H judging team made up of Dexter Denton, Wesley Denton, Randy Thomas and Joe Duke Radford won third place. The judging teams have 2 classes of steers and 2 classes of market hogs to judge. They have to give

Centerville **Gets Race** For Mayor

Edward Radford, Centerville businessman and tobacco warehouseman, has filed for Mayor in the May 2 elections. cumbent Mayor John Neal had earlier announced his filing and his intentions to seek reelection. Radford has made

no public announcement. Thus far, this is the only race for Mayor in the county. Only one candidate, incumbent Mayor V. A. Peoples, has filed in Louisburg and Frank Collins has filed at Franklinton with incumbent Franklinton Mayor Joe Pearce not filed as of 5 p.m. Monday. Youngsville Mayor Marvin Roberts is also thus far unopposed. At last report only three persons have filed for the three seats on the Centerville town ouncil. Incumbents Mrs. Agnes Leonard and John Pleasants and newcomer L. S. Ward. Incumbent member Buck Denton has not filed for

The filing deadline was noon

The 22nd Annual Durham | reasons for 1 class of steers and 1 class of market hogs. Jimmy Boone, Wesley Denton and Jimmy Moss received recognition for their good work in keeping records of

> Franklin County steers averaged \$32 per hundred pounds at the sale. This was made possible by the generous support of our local business firms.

their projects.

The following business firms purchased or supplemented Franklin County steers:

Joyner Wholesale Building Supply Co., Louisburg; Louisburg Tractor and Truck Co., Louisburg, First Federal Savings and Loan Association, Louisburg, McCracken Oil Co. Louisburg, Youngsville Milling Co., Youngsville, First Citizens Bank & Trust Co., Louisburg, D & J Pontiac-Oldsmobile, Inc., Louisburg, Roses' Stores, Inc., Louisburg, Hodges Insurance Co., Louisburg, Farmers Tractor and Truck Co., Louisburg, Franklin County Farm Bureau Franklin County Farm Bureau, Louisburg, Tar Heel Production Credit Association, Louisburg.

dition Sunday at Duke. James Muldrow, c/m/19, received a broken ankle and was released after treatment at Duke.

A Witness reported that Fogg was driving 110 miles per hour and ran the stop sign coming off U.S. 1 onto U.S. 1-A just before the accident. The same witness said that Fogg had been drinking and that he was driving around 70 miles per hour around the curve when the Mitchell pickup was struck.

The impact drove the pickup 54 feet backwards and carried the car 33 feet from the point of impact. Trooper Etheridge said the point of impact was

No charges have been made pending further investigation and the outcome of the injured. Seven of the injured were transported to Franklin Memorial Hospital by private ambulance and the Louisburg Rescue Service. One person was taken directly to Duke Hospital in Durham by private ambulance.

One veteran observer noted that the inside of both vehicles were more severely damaged than any he had ever seen. Another described it as a miracle, if all survive the accident, which took place around 11:15 p.m. Saturday.

Bill To Up County Salaries Revealed

A bill expected to be introduced in the House of Representatives today by Rep. James D. Speed, calling for pay increases for a number of county offices, reveals that the Register of Deeds office came in second best to others in the matter of money.

The bill will up the Clerk of Court's salary from \$6,450 annually to \$7,000, the Sheriff's salary from \$5,800 to \$6,400 and the Register of Deeds from \$5,800 to \$6,200. The Register of Deeds and the Sheriff's salaries have been the same for a number of years and no explanation has been given as to the difference in the proposed measure.

One reliable report stated that the bill was subject to change, giving more to the Sheriff's Department and making the additional deputy mandatory instead of leaving it to the discretion of the

County Commissioners. A widespread feeling among county citizens that the Sheriff's salary should be raised and that more officers should be added, undoubtedly accounts for the increase proposed for this department. The Clerk of Court is expected to jump to a \$9,000 salary under the new court reform in December 1968, which perhaps accounts for this increase. The Deeds office. however, falls short of matching other departments in salaries for assistants as well. For example, the Assistant Clerk of Court position gets

a raise from \$3,750 to \$4,150 while the Senior Deputy Register of Deeds gets a jump from \$3,500 to \$3,650. The same is true for the Deputy Clerk and the Junior Register of Deeds.

The Judge of Recorder's Court is slated to get an increase from \$3,800 to \$4,000 annually and the Solicitor jumps from \$3,400 to \$3,600. The Coroner is raised from \$870 to \$950 in the proposed legislation.

The bill as now stands "authorizes, in its discretion" the County Commissioners, "to approve the appointment by the sheriff of one or more additional deputy sheriffs in addition to those listed . . and to fix compensation" at not more than \$4,000.

Deputy Sheriff No. 1 (Chief Deputy) is raised in the bill from \$4,350 to \$4,800, No. 2 Deputy gets an increase from \$4,000 to \$4,400 and No. 3 gets an increase from \$3,900 to \$4.400.

The bill also calls for the Clerk's salary to be the total compensation for all duties of the position, including judge of juvenile court.

The measure, when passed, is to become effective July 1. 1967. Rep. Speed has introduced bills previously raising the pay for members of the county Board of Education from \$10 per meeting to \$15 and members of the Industrial Development Commission from \$5 to \$10 per meeting not to exceed 12 meetings per

Six In Franklinton School Board Race

With the filing deadline set for noon today, five late filers have brought to six the total number of candidates vying for the three seats on the Franklinton City Board of Education.

Filing last week were incumbent board member Rupert Pearce and Franklinton attorney Hubert Senter. J. W. Dickerson, Jr. was the first to file. Three more candidates filed Monday. These included Byron B. Burgess, Bruce Honeycutt and Clifton Conyers.

The three seats subject to the May 2 elections are presently held by Pearce, acting chairman Richard C. Whitfield and chairman John Moore. Whitfield and Moore have said they would not seek reelection.

The race is expected to be one of the most interesting in the off-year municipal voting. Franklinton Schools are involved in a dispute with federal officials over the degree of desegration in the two schools in the township. A hearing in Washington is slated for the next Monday.
As of 5 p.m. Monday, for-

mer Mayor pro-tem Frank Collins was the only candidate for Mayor. Incumbent Mayor Joe Pearce, however, is expected to be a candidate al-though he has made no public

| Franklinton Town Council, All five incumbent members had announcement,
John Henry House and Larry
Robbins are newcomers in the race for the five seats on the light, Jr., Henry Franklin Holmes and James S. Joyner.

Former Deputy Passes

Walter Clayton Bartholomew, 67, a former deputy sheriff and law officer, died at his home on Louisburg, Route 4 Monday of what was



W. C. BARTHOLOMEW

believed to be a heart attack. Mr. Bartholomew has recently

suffered such an attack and was hospitalized for a short time to recover. He was a farmer and made annual trips to Canada to aid in the housing

> of tobacco there. Funeral services were held today at 2:30 p.m. from the White Funeral Home, conducted by Rev. Aubrey S. Tomlinson and Rev. Wade Golds-ton. Burial followed in Highland Memory Gardens with Masonic graveside rites. Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Bessie Dickens Bartholomew,

two daughters, Mrs. Earl Carter of Louisburg, and Mrs. Otto Bass of Spring Hope; four grandchildren; four sisters, Mrs. S. T. Murray, Mrs. Thurston Bottoms, Mrs. Hattie Swanson and Mrs. B Champion of Louisburg; brothers, Obie, G. C. Herman Barthdomes Louisburg.