



Last Week

Last Night

## The "Little Acorn A-Go-Go" Goes Up In Smoke

The Little Acorn, a Negro nightspot on NC-56 about Volunteer fire department answered the call. Even then, there were two fires before the old build-

ing finally gave up the ghost. The first report came last night at 10:35 p.m. when

an unidentified Negro man reported the blaze to Louis-burg Police Officer Gerald Eury. The Justice Rural

two miles east of Louisburg, finally sucumbed early this morning after a series of blows. Fire finally accomp-lished what fights, murder and a bombing failed to do. Fire Chief William Taylor Boone reported could have started at a faulty switch near the entrance.

No sooner had the firemen retired to their homes than the second alarm sounded. This one, reportedly around late. The building was completely destroyed.

The go-go establishment had been the scene of a shot-gun slaying of Lewis Melvin Alston, 28-year-old Baltimore Negro on Sunday morning, May 14. Following the shooting around 2:30 a.m., Thomas Earl Dean, a 20-year-old Rt. 2 Louisburg Negro gave himself up to Sheriff William T. Dement in the shooting. The place was the scene of a fire-bomb attempt last

1 a.m. this moming. This time, the firemen arrived too Wednesday night. The blast, heard miles away, reportedly was set off around 10:30 p.m. Damage was confined to a front window.

This Morning

For the third time in as many weeks the nightspot has been in the news. Now, with it gone local news hounds will have to go back to work, searching out the stories. But, that's the way it is. The Little Acorn A-Go-Go is gone. It's gonna be missed.

## **311 Graduate From County System Edward Best Grad Gets** Louisburg College Commencement **Franklinton School Post** Weekend Program **Over For Hundreds Here** venue High School since 1942. The Franklinton City Board | Chapel Hill where he was Saturday, June 3, 1967 6 P.M. awarded his M. Ed. degree in Mr. Gordon will assume his of Education has elected Mr. 1954 and his Advanced Prinduties in Franklinton on July 1, R. B. Gordon to the Frank-THE FORMAL NAMING OF

linton City School Superintendency for a two year term beginning July 1, 1967. Mr. Gordon is a graduate of

Edward Best High School in Franklin County. He earned his B. S. degree at Wake Forest College in 1936. His graduate and post-graduate work was done at the University of North Carolina at served as principal of Ben-

cipal's and Advanced Superintendent's certificate in 1963. Mr. Gordon was a teacher of

Mathematics and Science at Swansboro High School in Swansboro, North Carolina before accepting a similar teaching position at the Benvenue High School in Rocky Mount, North Carolina. He has

1967, and his wife and two children are expected to move into Franklinton sometime during the summer.

Mr. Gordon succeeds Fred W. Rogers, who has been Superintendent since 1963. Rogers, who became a center of controversy during the recent school year, did not reapply for the position.

Dean Heads Wake Forest Alumni Here

School's Out For Thousands,

For 311 Franklin County School system students, Wednesday marked the end to public school education. The nine high schools in the system awarded diplomas to the 311 in commencement exer-

cises Wednesday night. For thousands of others, the day marked to end of classes and the beginning of the summer vacation. Between now and August 31, when the bell rings again for the first of another 180-day session, youngster, for the most part, will be leaving books behind with thoughts aimed at leisure and relaxation. Some, however, will be attending summer school planned to be held at Louisburg over a period of six weeks. Some seniors will take up further studies right away in summer classes at colleges of their choice. Others will begin looking either summer or permanent jobs. Riverside High School in Louisburg graduated the largest number, granting diplomas to 68 students Wednesday night. Bunn followed with 45. Perry's High School presented 40 and Louisburg High school marched 38 seniors across the stage for the final time. Gethsemane High School graduated 33 and Youngsville High School presented 25 diplomas. Edward Best has 23 graduates, Gold Sand has 21

and Epsom, with the smallest I ly available. number of seniors, presented 18 diplomas.

Figures on the Franklinton and B. F. Person schools, both in the Franklinton City School system were not readi- | the county area.

Louisburg College is expected to graduate its largest class in history here Sunday afternoon, bringing to a close commencement exercises in



Jackson Dean, local eggplant operator, was elected President of Franklin **County's Wake Forest Alumni** in a meeting held here Monday night. Dean succeeds Dr. Marvin Pleasants in the position.

Also named were G. M. Beam, Jr., Vice President; Mrs. Harold Talton, Secretary and Bill Huggins, Treasurer.

The alumni group heard a speech by Gold Sand graduate and Wake Forest Public Relations official, Donnie Griffin, on the progress the Baptist institution has made and of future plans. Griffin also briefed the group on the Deacons football prospects. He told of the naming of a new

year.'

president, Dr. James Ralph Scales, formerly of Oklahoma | "Wake Forest is the greatest

State University, who will take office on June 12. He also reminded the alumni that Wake becomes a University today. Griffin said that Wake Forest University, valued at \$10 million when moved to Winston-Salem is now worth \$90 million and told of a drive to

raise \$72 million more by 1975. Griffin introduced Jack Mc-Closkey, head basketball

coach of the Deacons, who told of several humourous experiences he had since moving to North Carolina. Coach Mc-Closkey spoke highly of the basketball squad and said, "We'll have a better team this year than we had last

The former University of Pennsyvania coach said,

Sunday, June 4, 1967 2 P.M. College Auditorium school in the county for young men and women to attend and have an opportunity to succeed." He also praised the morals of the students at Wake Forest. Following McCloskey's speech, the group voted unanimously to be placed on record as recommending the liberalization of the policy pertaining to members of the Wake Board

of Trustees. The local group favored allowing out-of-state people to serve on the Board.

The following cases were disposed of during a session of Recorder's Court on Tuesday, May 30th: Irvin Whisnant, w/m/35, op-

**Recorder's** Court

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preventive maintenance

THE WALTER PATTEN HALL

Dr. James E. Hillman, Presiding

Saturday, June 3, 1967 7 P.M.

THE ALUMNI BANQUET College Cafeteria

Sunday, June 4, 1967 11 A.M.

COMMENCEMENT SERMON College Auditorium

Rev. W. M. Howard, Jr., Speaker

COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES

Dr. Cecil W. Robbins, Presiding

Bishop Earl G. Hunt, Speaker

Sunday, June 4, 1967 3:30 P.M.

erating auto intoxicated: leavvehicle violation. \$20.00 fine ing scene of accident. State and costs. takes nol pros with leave. Elvas G. Boyd, c/m/30. Glenn Eugene Cassidy, Jr., speeding. \$15.00 fine and w/m/18, careless and reckcosts. less driving; improper lights; Richard Robert Mann, w/m/ improper muffler. \$10.00 fine 45, speeding. \$10.00 fine and and costs. costs. Luther Dowdy Baldwin, c/

Shady Bazel Thompson, w/ m/48, speeding. \$10.00 fine and costs.

Allen Walker, c/m, assault on female. State takes nol pros on payment of costs. James Plummer Smith, c/ m, driving while licenses susded; careless and reckless driving; unlawful possession of whiskey. 90 days in jail, suspended on payment of \$200 fine and costs.

Tommy Tucker, c/m/27, assault with deadly weapon. Not guilty.

Thomas Earl Dean, c/m/20, murder. To be held for Franklin County Grand Jury. Michael Wayne Hobgood, w/

m/18, speeding. \$10.00 fine and costs.

Lawrence Augustus Denton, w/m/20, speeding. \$10.00 fine and costs. Donald Sidney Murphy, w/

m/34, speeding. \$10.00 fine and costs.

Tyree Coley, c/m/28, speeding. Speeding and motor with one man being in charge

Sets Up Summer School

The Board of Education, meeting in special session

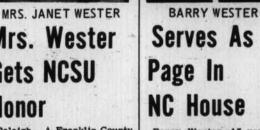
here Tuesday night set up the traditional summer school, naming Louisburg Principal Al Fox as principal of the summer session. Mrs. Joyce Griffin and Mrs. Betsy Timberlake were appointed teachers in the six-week term. The Board discussed teacher contracts at length and studied vancanies in some positions. A new position, named Superintendent of Buildings and Grounds, was established and Supt. Warren W. Smith was authorized to fill the position. The move was described as met, were made. an effort to get the county system in a position comparable with other school units

of all construction, repairs

The Board designated First-Citizens Bank and Trust Co. as the official depository for E.S.E.A. funds following disclosure of a ruling by the State Attorney General's office that the Board of Education and not the Board of County Commissioners was authorized to designate the depository for such funds.

Attendance Councelor for the 1967-68 school year and assignments of students, whose choice of schools had been made since the Board last

Building plans were also discussed but no announcements were made concerning the long-range building program.



Barry Wester, 15-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Wester, Rt. 4, Louisburg, served as a page in the N. C. House of Representatives last week. Young Wester is a 9th grader at Edward Best High School.

He was appointed by House Speaker David Britt upon recommendation of Sixteenth District Rep. James D. Speed of Franklin.

Mrs. Patricia Donohoe Beamer of Roanoke, Va., who won the B. F. Brown Award for excellence in liberal arts; and Bryan Leslie Boulier of Raleigh, who won the Ralph E. Freund Award for excellence in social studies.

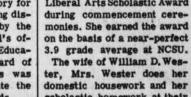
Mrs. Wester, the daug of Mr. and Mrs. William H Leonard of Route 2, Lou burg, will teach at the Edwa Best High School after h graduation. Later she will r turn to NCSU to study for h 

and renovations.

W. R. Collie was renamed

Honor Raleigh - A Franklin County woman who does double duty as a housewife and a student

has won a top award in North Carolina State University's School of Liberal Arts. Mrs. Janet Wester, an English major who received her baccalaureate degree at NCSU on May 27, was presented the Liberal Arts Scholastic Award



ter, Mrs. Wester does her domestic housework and her scholastic homework at their residence on Route 4 when

she is not attending classes in the English department at NCSU. She is one of four chosen

Mrs. Wester

**Gets NCSU** 

from the 1,379 liberal arts students for awards. Other winners are William

Roy Colquitt, Jr. of Concord and Raleigh, who won the Liberal Arts Service Award;

Wake Alumni Meet

Principals at the recent meeting of the local unit of Wake Forest Alumni are shown above. Principals at the right, Donald Griffin, county native and Public Relations official for the Pictured left to right, Donald Griffin, county native and Public Relations official for the college; Jack McCloskey, head basketball coach of the Baptist institution; Mrs. Harold Talton, recently elected Secretary of the local group; W. A. (Bill) Huggins, Treasurer, and J. Jackson Dean, President. G. M. Beam, Jr. was named vice president, but was not present when the picture was taken.



## THE FORMAL NAMING OF THE CECIL W. ROBBINS LIBRARY Dr. James E. Hillman, Presiding THE PRESIDENT'S RECEPTION