

WEATHER

Mostly sunny and little warmer today. Wednesday partly cloudy and warmer. Low today, 43; high, 78.

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Eight Murder Cases Set For Trial

Eight murder cases are scheduled for trial in this week's term of Criminal Superior Court being conducted here by Judge Hamilton H. Hobgood of Louisburg. Two cases slated to start Monday were delayed as 17 other cases were disposed of and one or both are expected to begin today.

Facing murder charges are James Lee Arrington, McCoy Wiggins, Douglas M. Evans, Davie Lee Mann, William Henry Harris, Floyd Williams, Lewis Bulluck and Bennie Fogg.

Former Franklin Police Chief Frank Carter, convicted in 1954 in the slaying of his mother-in-law, withdrew a petition for a post conviction hearing here Monday. He was sentenced to life plus forty years in the case. Out on parole last summer, he was returned to prison following a parole violation.

A number of other cases are slated for trial this week, including one case of rape, and a host of motor vehicle violations and drunkenness charges.

\$15,000 Awarded In Accident Suit

A Raleigh woman, Miss Joyce Dixon, 19, was awarded \$15,000 in a damage suit here last week against John T. Holden, Franklin County Negro. Miss Dixon entered a countersuit to Holden's suit seeking damages from an accident on December 24, 1966 on US-1 six miles north of Franklin.

Miss Dixon's mother was awarded \$1,500 in damages to her car in the accident. The case was heard before Judge Hamilton H. Hobgood in Civil Superior Court last week. The verdict was handed down by the jury.

Get Promotions

Mr. Lawrence R. Bowers, President of Waccamaw Bank and Trust Co. announced last week the promotion of two Louisburg men. James Grady, local branch manager was promoted to the office of Vice President and R. S. (Dick) Lucas was named Cashier.

"We are quite pleased with the work these two men are doing in Louisburg and believe the progress our bank is making in that area is due in a large measure to their efforts", Bowers said in making the announcement.

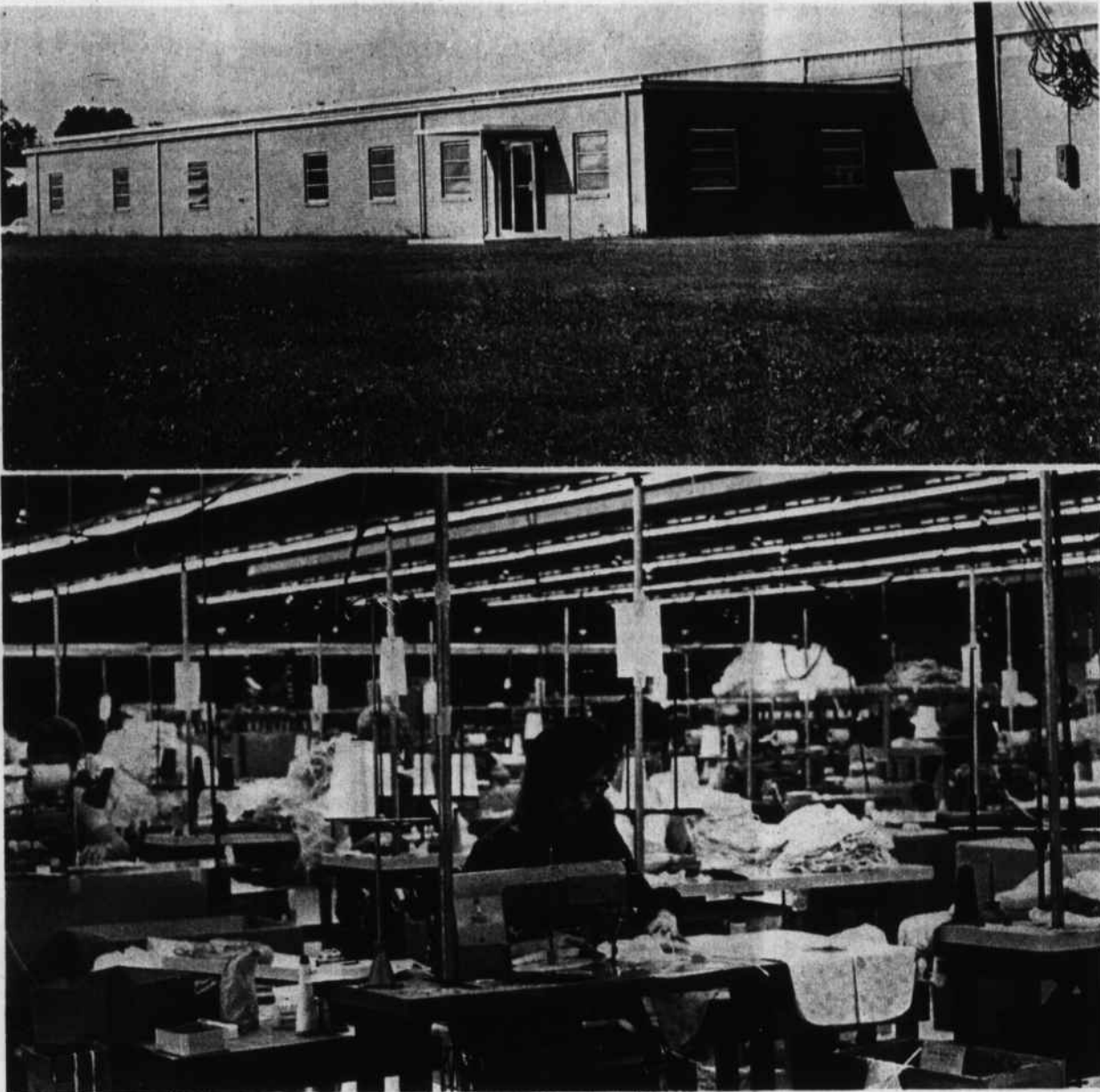
Grady had been Cashier and Lucas was Assistant Cashier before the promotions. Grady is President of the Louisburg Business Association and active in the Louisburg Jaycees.

Jury Commission Takes Office

The three members of the County Jury Commission were sworn in last Friday afternoon by Clerk of Court Ralph Knott before a special meeting of the Board of County Commissioners.

The ceremonies were delayed due to the absence of Chairman E. M. Sykes and Vice Chairman Richard H. Cash. Commissioners Norwood Faulkner, Brooks Young and George Harris proceeded with Harris acting as chairman. Sykes arrived about an hour late of the called 3:30 P.M. session and Cash reported in shortly after 5 P.M., according to reports.

The three members sworn were Franklin and Louisburg business-



EXTERIOR AND INTERIOR OF THE TRE' JAY PLANT
Open House Thursday

Youngsville Plant Doing Well

By Clint Fuller
Managing Editor

Aside from the pretty little blonde who greets you at the door, the first thing one notices about the new Tre' Jay Plant at Youngsville is its brightness. The reluctant air is not confined to the extremely adequate lighting system. There is a brightness about the people who are busily at work there and it is most noticeable in the plant manager.

Bob Hill greets you with a hearty handshake and broad smile. Without prompting, he begins to talk about what is obviously his favorite subject—Tre' Jay. He says, "I love it here and I love these people." The people, he hurriedly points out, are the sixty or more employees of the firm.

Tre' Jay manufactures gift packed infant wear and they're good at it. One glance at the attractive packages being readied for shipment and one can recognize that pride is being taken by these people in the product they turn out. Second best, one is likely to observe, is not going to be good enough here.

John Emery is the wheel of the parent company. He just happened to be in the Youngsville plant. "You're looking good," he said with his friendly smile. This is the first line of a super salesman. We doubted that he remembered meeting us last January

when he first came to Youngsville. He was a long way from home. He lived in Oregon where he first began his operation which is spreading fast in this section of the country.

"Things are going quite well," he said about the Youngsville operation. "I'll leave just as soon as I get a good idea to take back with me," he added, kiddingly. Hill said later, "He keeps you on your toes, but he lets you run your own operation." Hill's high regard for Emery was noted and it figures that the feeling

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Historical Society To Meet Thursday

The Franklin County Historical Society will meet Thursday night in the Meeting Room of the First-Citizens Bank and Trust Co. on Bickett Boulevard, according to an announcement made today.

All those interested in Franklin County history are invited to attend.

Pilot Injured In Plane Crash

A Chapel Hill pharmacist, R. Elliott Brummitt, 33, formerly of the Henderson area, remained a patient at Maria Parham Hospital Friday after receiving injuries Thursday night when his small personal airplane crashed into an open field near Gillburg.

Authorities termed his injuries serious but apparently not critical.

Brummitt was alone in the Cessna 150 plane when it crashed during a severe thunderstorm just after seven o'clock. The craft was demolished in the muddy field, with the engine hurled from the fuselage.

Striking a high tension power line as it crashed, the plane went down in the field about 150 yards from the airport road between N. C. Highway 39 at Gillburg and the Vance county prison camp.

The broken power line for a time endangered spectators, who flocked to the field, until power could be cut off by a line crew.

Trooper O. P. Lowman, Jr., of the State Highway Patrol, said his investigation indicated Brummitt had flown in and out of the Henderson airstrip several times during the day. Information was that the crash occurred as the pilot was attempting to return to the airstrip when the storm, accompanied by gusty winds and heavy rains, approached.

The craft, said to have been recently acquired by Brummitt, had circled the area several times prior to the crash. Trooper Lowman said the specific cause of the accident was not immediately determined.

However, a witness explained that the gusty winds were blowing cross-

Market Closes Today, Meeting Set Wednesday

The Louisburg Tobacco Market closes at the end of sales today and it appears anyone's guess as to just when it will reopen. A sales holiday was announced last week for all markets following today's sales.

The holiday has been called to ease congestion at redrying plants, it was announced.

Sales Supervisor William Boone reported this morning that some warehousemen believe that the market will reopen next Monday while others think it will be at least next Wednesday before sales can resume on the local warehouse floors.

Mr. Boone said that a meeting is to be held this Wednesday night to decide when the market will resume sales.

Meanwhile, the Supervisor reports that prices remain about steady on the Louisburg Market and reports an average for the season through last Thursday's sales of \$66.37 for untied leaf and \$72.07 for tied tobacco.

The Louisburg Market has sold 3,853,499 pounds of untied leaf for a price of \$2,557,715 and the average of \$66.37. Tied tobacco accounted for 11,058 pounds sold for a price of \$7,970 and the average of \$72.07.

The Middle Belt Markets were marked for loose leaf sales for the first 95 selling hours and Mr. Boone reports that including today, the local market has forty more hours of this type sales. After that, only tied tobacco may be sold.

Averages reported for two and three-day periods by the local market have ranged from \$68.01 for the opening three days to 65.09 for the early days of last week.

Murder, Knifings, Arrests Keep Officers Busy

A blast from a U.S. government .38 caliber pistol took the life of a 31-year old Louisburg Rt. 3 Negro Sunday night shortly after 8:30 P.M. Sherman Williams was dead when members of the Louisburg Rescue Service and law enforcement officers arrived at the home of Susie Bruce between Moulton and Ingleside. The bullet entered the victim's throat.

John Cornelius Kingsberry, c/m/22 of Rt. 3, Louisburg is being held, charged with murder in the slaying. A sawed-off shotgun was reportedly lying near the body. No reason has been given for the shooting.

A Louisburg College student, identified by Louisburg Police Chief Earl Tharrington as William W. Carpenter, Jr. of Hendersonville, N. C., received painful head wounds when a truck loaded with Negro youths stopped along Wade Avenue here, near the A & P Supermarket and an argument occurred. Carpenter was accompanied by four other college students. The number of Negroes in the attack has not been revealed. At least thirty stitches were taken in Carpenter's head following the knifing. Chief Tharrington said he is being aided in his investigation by SBI agent Billy Crocker. The incident took place last Saturday night around 11 P.M.

A 21-year old Castalia, Rt. 1 Negro was given first aid at the scene and transported to Franklin Memorial Hospital Sunday night around 8 P.M. by the Louisburg Rescue Service following a stabbing incident near Sid Champion's Store in White Level.

Herbert Alston told officers that he was attacked as he walked along the highway by a man identified as Darrell Coley, c/m/18 Rt. 4, Louisburg. He said, according to reports, that Coley jumped from a car and attacked him with a pocket knife. Coley was charged with assault with a deadly weapon.

Last Friday afternoon around 4 P.M. Sheriff William T. Dement, deputy sheriffs Dave Batten, Lonnie House and Leroy Terrill, along with ATU officers raided a large liquor still in the Diking section of Franklin County, near Rocky Ford. Clarence Aycock, w/m/50 was arrested at the scene. Officers reported discovering two 800

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Power Interruption

Major expansion of facilities by Carolina Power & Light Company will require a two-hour interruption of electric service in this area on Sunday morning, October 1.

L. A. Pearce, Henderson district manager for CP&L, said the interruption will be from 6:30 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. It will affect service in Louisburg, Franklin, Stallings Crossroads and surrounding areas.

The interruption will allow CP&L linemen to complete expansion work begun on August 13. The capacity of a major transmission line serving the area is being enlarged to meet growing electrical demands.

Pearce said the early Sunday morning hours were chosen to minimize inconvenience to residents of the area.



Hold First Session

Staff Photo by Clint Fuller

The Franklin County Jury Commission is shown above following swearing in ceremonies held here last Friday afternoon. Pictured, left to right are, Clerk of Court Ralph

Knott, who performed the ceremonies; J. W. Perry, Jr. of Pearces, L. C. Hasty of Louisburg, chosen Chairman and B. N. Williamson of Franklin.



Wreckage in a field adjacent to the airport road near Gillburg, some four miles east of Henderson, marks the scene of last Thursday night's Cessna 150 plane crash which injured a Chapel Hill pharmacist, R. Elliott Brummitt, formerly of Henderson. Only the tail assembly remains relatively intact as the craft rests on its back. The engine was thrown away from the fuselage by the impact. Brummitt's condition was described as fair at Maria Parham Hospital. (Photo by Hester-McLean)