

WEATHER

Partly cloudy and continued cold today. Friday, increasing cloudiness and cold with chance of rain or snow. Low today, 16; high, mid-30's.

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Endowment Aids Local Hospital

An announcement from Duke Endowment this week discloses that the foundation has given \$1,632.00 to Franklin Memorial Hospital for aid in its operations.

The Endowment is distributing this week \$2,016,665 to Carolina hospitals and child care institutions it assists.

James R. Felts, Jr., executive director of the Hospital and Child Care sections of the Endowment, said 193 hospitals are receiving \$1,369,950 and 43 child care institutions, \$646,715. North Carolina's total is \$901,508 for hospitals and \$428,991 for child care institutions; South Carolina's \$468,442 for hospitals and \$217,724 for child care institutions.

Appropriations to hospitals include \$1,116,653 for operating expenses, on the basis of \$1 a day for each free day of care in the fiscal year which ended Sept. 30, 1967, and \$253,297 as reimbursement of the cost of participation in Hospital Administrative Services (HAS) of Chicago, Ill., and Professional Commission on Professional and Hospital Activities of Ann Arbor, Mich., in the year. These national services

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Basketball (?) Tourney Resumes Tonight

Most of the action in the county basketball tournament last week took place with the participants standing up. However, some as shown above took another course. Pictured are Cathy Tharrington of Edward Best, taking a ten-minute break on the floor; Harriet Pearce of Youngsville, in the sprint position, as if ready for the race and Phyllis Murray of Edward Best standing and looking obviously at more interesting things. Play, on the floor and standing up, resumes tonight at 7 P.M. in the Louisburg gym. Photo by Clint Fuller.

Firemen Chase Grass Fire 19 Miles

Louisburg firemen, never ones to turn down a chance to be of help, chased a grass fire all the way to Henderson Wednesday. And as usual, they succeeded in catching up with the blaze.

A mixup by a Henderson dispatcher caused the local department to answer what is normally a routine fire call. A grass fire was threatening to get out of control in the southern part of Henderson Wednesday morning and Henderson firemen decided to call the Epsom rural fire department to stand by, as a cautionary measure.

To get the Epsom department by telephone, one must call the Franklin County central alarm number located in the Louisburg fire house. When the Henderson dispatcher called, he failed to explain the nature of the request for help and having given the fireman's S.O.S., the Louisburg dispatcher sent the local firemen to the scene.

The blaze was extinguished by the time Louisburg arrived and the only glow seen was that on the faces of the dispatchers.



John Deal

New Deputy Named

Franklin Sheriff William T. Dement announced the appointment of a former prison guard as Deputy Sheriff here Monday. John David Deal, 42, of 410 Cheatham Street, Franklinton was named and began his duties Monday.

Deal is married to the former Ruth Madeline Thompson of Concord. They have one son, David, Jr., 18, an employee of the State Highway Department. He has served four years as a prison guard at the Bunn prison camp and has served the past eleven months as a guard at Central Prison in Raleigh.

Deal is a native of Cabarrus county and has lived in Franklin since 1952. He replaces Lonnie G. House who resigned last month.

Herman To Appear At College

The Inter-Club Council will sponsor Woody Herman and his orchestra for the Spring Formal Dance in Holton Gymnasium at Louisburg College on Tuesday night, March 12, from 8-12 p.m.

So hot is the band that the critics and musicians insist that it is the best band Herman has had since the so called Third Herd of 1947-48. Everywhere the band goes, it's the same old story. The crowds are huge, and when the musicians pile into the bus to move on to their next engagement, everyone

wants to know when they will be back. When he played Basin Street West in Los Angeles recently crowds were lined up around the block.

Herman has built such a following in a period that is generally considered inimical to big bands by remaining contemporary and by putting the emphasis on youth and excitement. The band is not an imitation of the past bands, though of course many of the tunes

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Down To 9 This Morning

This February is not the coldest in recent years. It just seems that way. According to Louisburg weatherman G. O. Kennedy, it fell to 9 degrees this morning at the weather station.

The coldest day thus far this year was February 12 when the thermometer hit 5 degrees here. Other cool mornings came on February 14 when we had an eight degree reading and on February 9 when it was 9 degrees.

The last time the area suffered a five degree reading was on January 18, 1965. Other nine degree readings came on February 25, 1967 and January 8, 1968. The coldest day in recent years was December 12, 1962 and February 1, 1965 when the temperature dipped to one degree.

The weatherman promises more of the same for the next few days with some chance of rain, sleet or s-n-o-w.

Dr. Vassey To Address Demo Women

The Franklin County Democratic Women's Organization will meet Monday night February 26, 1968, in the community room of First Citizens Bank Building on Bickett Boulevard at 7:30 o'clock.

The speaker for the evening will be Dr. John Vassey, Radiologist of Franklin Memorial Hospital who will speak to the group on Mental Health. Mrs. Agnes Merritt, President, said, "All members are urged to be present, also any one that might be interested are invited."



Dr. Vassey



Woody Herman

Home Heart Drive Sunday

A residential canvass here, giving every family a personal opportunity to advance the fight against the heart and blood vessel diseases, will get underway Sunday in Louisburg under the leadership of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Knott. Mr. Knott is Clerk of Superior Court for Franklin County.

The residential calls will be made by a volunteer corps which will reach their high point on Heart Sunday, February 25.

The Heart volunteers will distribute literature telling parents what they can do at present to safeguard their children against heart attack later in life: 1. Get the latest heart-saving facts and share them with your children. 2. Encourage normal weight. Obesity often begins in youth. 3. Keep them physically fit through regular exercise. 4. Teach them smoking is bad for health. Don't smoke yourself. 5. Form good diet habits by serving more food low in saturated fats. 6. Make doctor check-ups a family routine.

The Heart volunteers also will receive Heart Fund contributions, and, at residences where no one is at home, will leave behind a pre-addressed mail-in envelope in which a contribution may be sent conveniently to Heart Fund headquarters during the next few days.

Franchise For Natural Gas Service Is Sought

The public Service Company of North Carolina, natural gas distributors in this area of the state are seeking a franchise to operate in both Louisburg and Franklinton. W. Hughes Boland, manager of the Raleigh District of the firm and Kent F. Burns, attorney met here Wednesday morning with town and county leaders to discuss their plans. Later, the two, accompanied by Industrial Development Director W.J. Benton visited Franklinton to talk to leaders there about plans for that area.

Boland disclosed that the Texas pipeline is being extended from Stanton, Va. to Emporia with a trunk line coming as far south as South Hill, Va. and Wise, N.C. The company already serves Oxford and Henderson with a spur at Stem, N.C.

It was not announced which of the two lines would eventually serve the Franklin County area, but Boland said in any event, service was at least two years away.

The Company has projected plans, filed with the Federal Power Commission in Washington to spend \$303,000 in this area initially. In Louisburg it is estimated that the firm will spend \$55,000 in the first year of operation and over \$20,000 the second year. No figures were given for the Franklinton area.

Among those meeting with gas company officials here Wednesday were, J. Harold Talton, Chairman of the Franklin Industrial Development Commission, Benton, Mrs. Breattie C. O'Neal, Mayor Pro-tem of Louisburg, Louisburg Town Councilmen W. J. Shearin and George T. Bunn, Town Administrator E.S. Ford, Richard H. Cash, Chairman of the Franklin County Board of Commissioners, Robert Stanley, business manager of Louisburg College and local newsmen.

The possibility of natural gas service for the area was thoroughly discussed with advantages to prospec-

ive industrial firms one of the foremost considerations.

Boland and Burns said that natural gas would pose no problem to the municipally owned electric service in Louisburg. Both men pointed to the state law which returns parts of the 6 percent franchise tax collected by the state, to the local governments. Boland said service would be extended beyond the city limits if merited. He also said that lines could be extended within a reasonable distance to any industry locating in the area.

A tentative date of April 5 was set for a meeting between company officials and the Town Board at Louisburg. The meeting is for the purpose of gaining first-reading approval of a franchise agreement. The law requires that the agreement be approved in two consecutive regular meetings of the town board. No date for a similar meeting with Franklinton officials was announced.

Tobacco Marketing Hearings Explained

The United States Department of Agriculture has issued a fact sheet on proposed hearings on the matter of establishing a marketing order for flue-cured tobacco. The hearings, scheduled within the next few weeks in the flue-cured tobacco states, will be conducted by a hearing examiner from the USDA.

Hearing scheduled nearest to Franklin area growers are, February 26, 9:30 A.M. at the Moose Lodge in Greenville, N.C.; February 28, at 9:30 A.M. in the Coliseum in Greensboro and on March 1, 9:30 A.M. in the Vaughn Armory in South Hill, Va.

The proposed marketing order would cover all six States which produce the crop: Alabama, Florida, Georgia, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Virginia. Flue-cured tobacco constitutes about 60 percent of the Nation's tobacco crop.

Tobacco growers, warehousemen, buyers, related tobacco interests, and others are invited to attend the hearing and present evidence on these proposals or any modifications they wish to suggest.

Marketing orders for various commodities, including tobacco, are authorized under the Agricultural Marketing Agreement Act of 1937. They generally are requested by farmers, designed by them with assistance from

USDA's Consumer and Marketing Service (CAMS), and administered through committees composed of farmers and/or handlers.

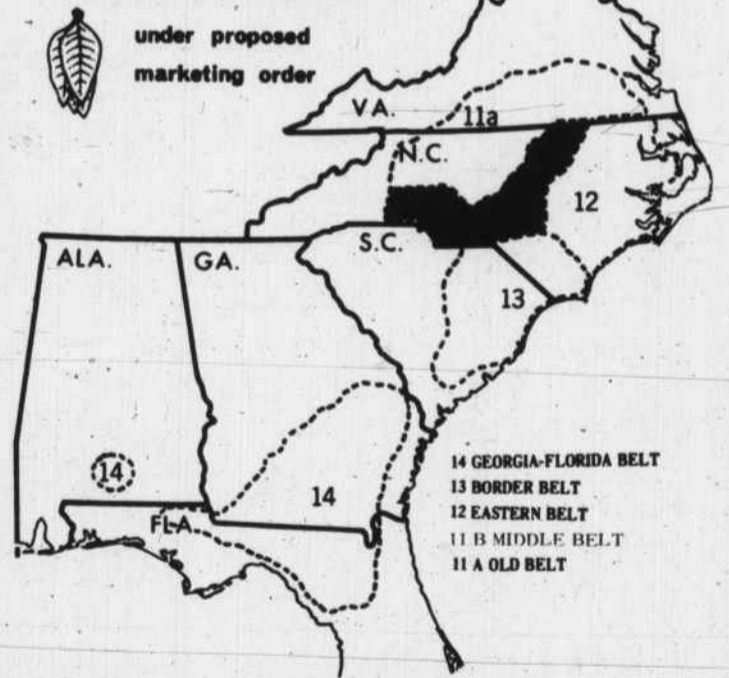
The order for flue-cured tobacco was proposed by these organizations: North Carolina State Grange, South Carolina State Grange, Virginia State Grange, and North Carolina Association of Farmer-Elected Committeemen. A Federal marketing order is currently

in effect for one type of tobacco produced in several counties of Georgia and Florida. In operation since 1962, it covers shade-grown cigar-leaf tobacco, dealing primarily with quality standards.

The proposal for establishing a marketing order for flue-cured tobacco will be considered formally at the

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FLUE-CURED TOBACCO PRORATE DISTRICTS



Vaccinations Started

Rabies vaccinations have begun in Franklin County and Tyree Lancaster, county dog warden, has issued a reminder to all dog owners to have their animals vaccinated.

Lancaster reports that there is a man in each township to visit homes and to vaccinate dogs on the premises. The vaccination programs lasts until May 30, 1968.

Rep. Fountain Files For Reelection

Washington, D.C. -- Congressman L.H. Fountain formally announced his candidacy today for reelection as Second District Representative.

He said he already had mailed his filing fee for the Democratic Primary, May 4, to the State Board of Elections in Raleigh.

Fountain, now Dean of the North Carolina Congressional Delegation, will be seeking his ninth term.

"It is well established that experience is a prime ingredient in accomplishment," he said. "I believe my 15 years in the Congress have placed me in a position to be of more service to the people of the Second District and the entire state."

Fountain said, "There is much, very much, unfinished business both abroad and at home which needs the attention, the concentration and the dedicated efforts of all of us."

"The war in Viet Nam must be prosecuted vigorously and without recriminations. Our success there could be threatened by a failure to provide

and to use all means necessary to bring the war to an honorable and successful conclusion. Such a course would also mean the needless loss of additional American lives.

"Here at home we must concentrate on crime and disorder. While the basic responsibility for law enforcement and public safety lies with officials at the state and local levels, there is room

for Federal leadership and participation in this domestic war. "I have worked for proper Federal legislation in this area and will continue to do so. "Our farmers find themselves in the impossible position of having to pay 1968 retail prices set by others for the tools essential to their production which then must be disposed of at what amounts to wholesale prices also controlled by others."

"This, of course, is intolerable and must be corrected."

Fountain said another serious issue facing the American people is sound fiscal policy which demands greater prudence and caution than ever in our overall Federal spending.

"We have quite a number of programs which are beneficial to all our people, especially the less fortunate among us, and I have voted for many of them," he said. "But we also have some programs which penalize individual initiative, self-reliance

and too often place a premium on the hand-out.

"We can and will meet the essential needs of our people. In fact, we must meet those needs. But we must also realize that the patience and the resources of the nation's tax-paying citizens are not without limit—a fact which must be considered when establishing national priorities."

Fountain concluded this statement by saying:

"I deeply appreciate the opportunity the people of the Second District have given me to serve them in the Congress of the United States. I want them to know that, if reelected, I will continue to exert every effort at my command to merit their continued confidence and support.

"To the people of Nash, Northampton and Person Counties, let me say, I know you were happy where you were before the last legislative redistricting took place; however, I want you to know how happy I will be to have the privilege of representing and serving you in Washington."



Rep. L. H. Fountain