

WEATHER

Mostly sunny and mild today. Wednesday, fair and warmer. Low today; 42; high, 70.

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Initiates

The ten students inducted into Gamma Upsilon Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa at Louisburg College last week, are shown above. Pictured left to right, first row, Margaret Weston, Angella Arnold, Linda Jo Ayscue and Nancy Campbell; second row, Martha Nelson, Connie Leonard, Elizabeth Karen Arnold and William Martinez; third row, Ronald Massey and Robert Schwartz. College Photo.

Ten Are Inducted Into Phi Theta Kappa

Eight of the ten initiates who were inducted into Gamma Upsilon Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa at Louisburg College Thursday evening were from Louisburg and the neighboring area. The initiation of the honor fraternity was held in the Faculty Lounge of AC building at 7 P.M. The candlelight ceremony was presided over by President Wayne Strum of Epsom, Secretary Ruth Edwards of Henderson, Matthew Brown of Louisburg who substituted for Vice president Thomas Odom of Bolton, N.C. and Wayne McLemore of Springfield, Va.

Dr. Cecil W. Robbins spoke to the group of initiates, members, sponsors and former members on "The Value of their Attainment."

Secretary Edwards presided at the punch bowl at a beautifully appointed

table laden with trays of assorted cookies and nuts. A whitethree branched candlestick held tall pink tapers to complement the decorations.

Initiated were: Louisburg--Elizabeth Karen Arnold, Connie Lynn Leonard, and William Martinez; Henderson--Martha Kaye Nelson, Linda Jo Ayscue; Franklinton--Margaret Alston Weston; Zebulon--Angella Louise Arnold; Middlesex-- Ronald Wayne Massey; Kill Devil Hill-- Nancy Joan Campbell; and Hendersonville--Robert W. Schwartz.

Others present were: members--Joseph Harry Bryan of Henderson; Donald Pergerson of Henderson; and Joseph Starling of Wilson; Sponsors, Misses Elizabeth Johnson, Rachael Modin, Zeida Coor; and former member Mrs. Wayne Burris.

Stone Rally Set Friday

A mass rally for Dr. Raymond Stone, a Franklin County native and candidate for State Superintendent of Public Instruction will be staged here Friday night. Billed as Raymond Stone Appreciation Day, supporters report ticket sales are brisk and hundreds of friends are expected to attend the barbecue supper in Ford's Warehouse beginning at 6:30 P.M.

The feature of the program will be an address by Dr. Stone, a graduate of the former Mills High School and Louisburg College here. Entertainment by a live band is also slated.

Stone, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fisher Stone of Rt. 1, Louisburg is opposed in the May 4 Democratic primary by four others seeking the state's highest education post. He has made two appearances here since starting his campaign. He opened his campaign with a kick-off at Epsom High School, where he attended as a grammar grade student and attended the Democratic Dinner here last week.

Tickets to the rally are now on sale throughout the county and will be on sale at the door, according to Clyde Perdue, Stone county manager.

Gets Medal

A Rt. 2 Louisburg soldier has been awarded the Army's Commendation Medal for service in Vietnam. Specialist Four E-4 James V. Griffin, son of Mr. and Mrs. James V. Griffin, Rt. 2, Louisburg was cited for his actions from December, 1966 to December, 1967.

The citation follows: "For meritorious service in support of United States objectives in the Republic of Vietnam during the period December 1966 to December 1967 while serving as a member of Company A, 2nd Battalion, 8th Infantry, 4th Infantry Division. His constant and diligent devotion to duty earned him the respect and confidence of all members of his unit. He performed his duties as a Rifleman in an outstanding manner and his knowledge, skill and loyalty proved to be invaluable assets. Specialist Four Griffin devoted long and arduous hours under adverse weather and combat conditions in his contribution to the success of the 4th Infantry Division mission in Vietnam. The untiring efforts, professional ability and dedication of Specialist Four Griffin are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service and reflect great credit upon himself, his unit and the United States Army."



Griffin

County Records Second Highway Fatality Of Year

While North Carolina was recording one of its bloodiest highway weekends in history, Franklin County did not escape the slaughter. A 25-year old Rt. 3 Negro man became the county's second fatality of the year when his speeding car overturned and wrapped around a tree on State Rural paved road No. 1002, near Eden's Store, five miles east of Louisburg.

Otha Boddie died instantly around 1:30 A.M. Saturday when he was pinned between his automobile and a tree just off the rural highway. Speed and inability to maneuver a curve were believed at fault. Eula Williams, n/t/24, of Rt. 2 was thrown from the vehicle and received relatively minor injuries.

She was transported to Franklin Memorial Hospital by the Louisburg Rescue Service. It took the service and a local wrecker crew an hour and a half to free the body of Boddie from the wreckage. The 1959 Oldsmobile was demolished.

This was the second highway death of the year and the first involving strictly a road situation. The first fatality occurred on February 3, when an on-coming car knocked a deer into the windshield of a car being driven by Fred Smith of Raleigh. Smith, a former Wake County Schools Superintendent, was killed instantly near Wood, when the anglers impaled him

in the freak accident.

Franklin had recorded three fatalities by this date last year and a fourth took place on April 26. Four had died on county roads in 1966 by this date and only one had met death by this date in 1965. The county, thus, is running behind previous years in fatalities.

Last year was the fourth in highway deaths of the past twelve years only one above the six killed in 1965 and 1961. The year 1959 was the lowest in recent years with only five fatalities. The years 1958, with 15 and 1964 with 14 were the bloodiest of the twelve recorded.



Killed Instantly

League To Stage Candidates Meeting

Local candidates for office in the May primary will face the issues and the voters Tuesday night, April 23, at 8 p.m. in the Louisburg College Auditorium.

Co-sponsored by the Louisburg Junior Chamber of Commerce and the League of Women Voters, the Candidates' Meeting will be moderated by Mr. David Daniel of Louisburg College.

Fourteen of the candidates have accepted invitations to participate in the event. Three candidates replied that they would be unable to attend, and one has not responded to the invitation which was extended by mail on April 10.

Acreage To Be Reported

Franklin County farmers again this year will report to the ASCS Office the acreages of various crops planted on their farms. This is called crop acreage certification.

Franklin County was one of 35 counties selected in 1966 to obtain compliance by producer certification. It has proven to be very successful and has been extended to include all counties this year.

After completion of planting all crops the operator visits the county office and files a report of the planted acreage and land use on the farm. The deadline dates for filing an acreage report is May 31 for wheat and June 30 for all other crops. The county committee selects at random at least 10% of the tobacco farms and 25% of all other farms to visit and determine the acreage of crops actually planted on these farms.

A producer who has over-planted the allotment by more than the allowable tolerance has no opportunity to destroy the excess acreage. He can ask for a premeasurement of the initially determined acreage of crops if it appears the first measurement is in error.

Premeasurement services is now. See CROP Page 6

Chief among the interesting-rousing aspects of the evening will be the presence of the two candidates for the State Senate, Mr. Wilbur M. Jolly and Gen. Edward F. Griffin.

Candidates for the State House of Representatives who will attend include James Speed, John Church, and Bobby Rogers. Mr. Church and Mr. Rogers, both of Henderson, are in competition for Seat 2. Mr. Speed is a candidate for Seat 1.

The County Commissioner race will be represented by L.S. Ward (District 4), Richard Cash (District 2), and John W. House (2). E.M. Sykes (4) and Booster White (2) indicated that they will not be able to participate.

Alex Wood, unopposed incumbent for Register of Deeds, will be present. No answer has at this time been received from Jones Winston, unopposed for County Board of Education.

Invitations have been accepted by five candidates for District Judge of the 16th District, which is composed of Franklin, Granville, Person, Vance, and Warren Counties. The candidates are Thomas D. Hardie and Linwood

T. Peoples of Henderson, Claude W. Allen and Royall H. Royster of Oxford, and Julius Banzet of Warrenton. Wallace P. Chappell of Creedmoor will be unable to attend.

The Candidates' Meeting will be non-partisan in nature. Candidates for policy-making positions (Senate, House, County Commissioner, School Board) will, if unopposed, have three minutes to explain their stand on important issues and then will have an opportunity to answer questions from the floor. Unopposed candidates for these positions and candidates for non-policy making positions (District Judge and Register of Deeds) will be introduced and will speak briefly.

Biographical information on those seeking elective positions has been requested and is being compiled for distribution before the April 23 meeting. Copies of the material will also be available to interested citizens at the program.

This year's Candidates' Meeting is the third such election-year event offered to Franklin County voters by the sponsors. No admission will be charged.

Franklinton Woman Is Artist Of Month

The Louisburg Woman's Club is proud to announce that Mrs. Ben Napier Williamson, Jr. of Franklinton is the artist of the month for April. A native of the northeastern part of North Carolina, she came from Weesville.

Her home is on North Main St. in Franklinton and Mr. Williamson is the owner of the Franklin Seed Company in Louisburg. They have one son, Ben Napier, III, who is in law school at the University of Tennessee.

It was her son who got Mrs. Williamson interested in painting. He was only 10 years old when he heard of Mrs. M. S. Davis' art class in Louisburg. He wanted very much to take lessons so Mrs. Williamson joined the class along with her son. Mother and son took art together for two years, until Ben's interest turned to baseball and other interests.

His mother continued to study with Mrs. Davis for two more years and later attended Peace College in Raleigh for two years of study with Miss Mabel Pugh. After these 6 years of study, Mrs. Williamson started her own class in Franklinton in 1959. She has "really come across some wonderful talent." Her class consists mostly of children who study once or twice a week after school. She does have 3 adults enrolled at this time.

What started as a hobby has become a small business. She now has 40 students. The studio started out as one room, but another room has been added to accommodate the class working in oils. She teaches "realistic drawing and painting."

Her students are not allowed to work with color until they have mastered drawing. This usually takes one and one-half years. They work in oils, pastel, pen and ink, mixed media - water colors and acrylics.

Every two years, Mrs. Williamson's students give a sidewalk art school

on the school fence. Each student stands by his work and explains it as the entire school, class by class, comes out to view the art work.

In addition to her enjoyment from teaching others, Mrs. Williamson and a group of her friends usually go out once a week and sketch on location. Their subjects are usually old houses and landscapes in Franklin and nearby counties. If time permits, they sketch an entire work on the spot, but most of the time they take color notes,

using pastels, and return home to do the finished product. "Real pleasure in painting is to go out on location and paint."

Mrs. Williamson also enjoys bridge, and working as a member in the Methodist Church.

Mrs. Williamson states that her favorite medium is water colors.

The painting Mrs. Williamson chose to display at the Franklin County Library is the homeplace of Mr. Frank Mitchell, done in pastels.



MRS. NAPIER WILLIAMSON

College Student Is Jr. Rotarian

A Louisburg College second-year student from Brodnax, Va. has been chosen Junior Rotarian of the Month by the Louisburg Rotary Club. Richmond Henre Dugger, III, one of five children of Mr. and Mrs. Dugger was selected for the honor.

A graduate of Brunswick High School in Lawrenceville, Va. Dick was a member of his school team, the Latin Club, the High Y Club, the Monogram Club and the All-State Concert Band. At Louisburg, he is chairman of the Inter-Club Council. He will graduate in May with an A.S. degree. Dick is recognized by the students



Dugger

and the faculty of the College as being one of the outstanding young men on the campus, according to the local Rotary Club release.

Under his guidance, the Inter-Club council has had what is termed a very successful year. It has brought to the campus Woody Herman, Shaw Smith, several movies and a six-week series of Coffee House programs. Dick was also instrumental in bringing State Senator Robert Morgan to the campus earlier this year. Morgan is a candidate for N.C. Attorney General.

Rotary says of Dugger, "He will long be remembered at Louisburg College for his dependability, loyalty to the school and his ability to see that in a very quiet and orderly fashion all duties and responsibilities are completed on time."

The local club chooses an outstanding youngster each month who best exemplifies the meaning of Rotary.