

Totals Disappointing Registration Ends Saturday

With only two more days remaining in the re-registration of Franklin voters, registrars and election officials are concerned with the size of the registration to date. Reports from nine of the eleven precincts indicate that only about 55% of those previously on the books are registered under the new registration.

Negro registration has doubled the 1,000 to 1,500 estimated on the old registration. In the nine precincts, through last Saturday it is estimated that 2,630 Negroes have registered since the books opened on March 30. There have been no reports received from Hayesville and Cypress Creek precincts.

The total registration through Saturday is estimated at 6,994, excluding the Hayesville and Cypress Creek totals. Louisburg leads all precincts with a total of 2531 with Negroes making up 45 percent of the total. The approximate breakdown is 1393 whites and 1138 Negro. The Negro voter registration drive has been more effective in the Louisburg precinct than elsewhere although several precincts report that the percentage is running near forty-five. Throughout the county, except the precincts not reporting, Negroes make up 37 percent of the registration.

The latest estimate on the population of the county gives a total of 27,136 including 15,337 whites and 11,799 Negroes.

There were 12,584 registered voters on the old books and only Louisburg precinct appears likely to reach their total in the new registration. Many precincts are far behind their original total. Franklinton had 2576, has registered 1595 or a loss of 981 voters; Louisburg is behind 405; Harris township had 1036, has registered 495 leaving 541 more unaccounted for.

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ing a physician's care and the subsequent dismissal followed.

Also involved in the suit was the National Surety Company, the firm that bonded the two Champions. No witnesses were heard Wednesday and therefore the defense did not present any arguments against the charges. The amount of the settlement was not made public, but it is reported that the defendants will pay the plaintiffs an undisclosed amount.

The two Davis men were passengers in the Champion car and it was stated in the charges that Champion was wearing a bathing suit at the time and that the car had no markings of a law enforcement officer. Mrs. Wilson, according to reports suffered a nervous condition following the incident, requiring extended medical care, according to her attorney, L. T. Valentine of Nashville. Defendants were represented by local attorneys. Wilbur Jolly represented the Davis brothers, E. C. Bulluck represented former Sheriff and John F. Matthews represented the younger Champion.

Other precincts run about the same. There has been no explanation for the lack of larger numbers re-registering. Wide publicity has been given to the new registration requirement and one election official said Wednesday, "There are going to be some disappointed people when they come in to vote."

Privately county politicians are ex-

Candidates

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bacco products and other non-essentials, if it becomes necessary to upgrade our public school opportunities for our children." Jolly said, "I would not favor taxing the chief agricultural product of the people of this area; however, if a luxury tax is needed to increase the support for education, then I would favor such a luxury tax". Rogers and Church replied with a simple "No" to the question.

James Speed, unopposed for return to the House of Representatives, also said he would not support a tax on tobacco as to steps to be taken to increase income, he replied, "It is not a matter of emergency or immediate action but gradual planning and developing new ways and a continuation of many present efforts and programs for the total development of North Carolina's economy and potential growth."

All candidates for the General Assembly support the UFE proposals, including increased teacher salaries. Rogers said he could not support the entire program without further study. He does favor increased salaries for teachers.

The five candidates for County Commissioner were asked: What did you feel is the most pressing problem facing the county in the next two years and what are your suggestions for helping to solve this problem? What do you feel can be done to raise the economy and the standard (in the county) and to decrease the welfare rolls?

Richard Cash said the problems "are too numerous to mention. Keep working" in answer to the first question. J. W. House replied improvement could be made if we would "be more progressive". Booster White stated, "The school problem is the main, our first problem and there is only one answer and that is for the people to build a school." E. S. Sykes replied Education is the problem and his answer was, "Federal aid to build more classrooms and increase teacher pay." Lemeul Ward stated, "The most pressing problem would have to be the consolidation of Franklin County schools - the solution being the School Bond Issue."

Ward said the things to be done to help the economy is "To attract and invite additional industry, and to revise and correct the welfare department." Sykes said "Increased efforts to bring in new industry to create new jobs" was the answer.

White replied to question number two, "The best answer to the economy is for folks that are able to work to get a job and get off the welfare. There

pressing concern over the lack of interest in some areas in the registration and the upcoming elections. Fearful of future block voting by Negro citizens, many are urging whites to register.

Many precincts have not made an accurate count of those registered and figures reported have been estimates by election officials. Some have reported only total registration to a particular date and many have estimated the breakdown between races.

Louisburg reported Wednesday afternoon that around 50 persons had registered. Louisburg books are open Wednesday through Saturday all day. Franklinton books are open nightly from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. and all day Saturday. Cedar Rock books will be open all day Friday and Saturday. All others will be open Saturday for the last time before the May primaries. Saturday, April 27, is Challenge Day.

Elections Board secretary George Champion reports that he has a crew ready and waiting to transfer the registration forms into the permanent loose-leaf books as soon as the registration period is over.

are folks getting money that won't work and are able. They waste what they get."

To the same question, House said, "... more industry for the county. I believe we need industry that is willing to pay its own way. ... additional jobs could help reduce the welfare rolls. I believe the welfare rolls should be revived at least once a year to make sure people on welfare need the help. I also believe that if a person is able to work and does not work when offered a job he should be removed from the welfare rolls. If a person is able to work he should not be on welfare to begin with.

Cash replied, "To raise the economy! Put in vocational schools. As to welfare, well, well and well. No comment."

Replies to biographical data were received from the six candidates for district judge. Claude Allen of Oxford, Julius Banzet of Warrenton, Wallace Chappel of Creedmoor, Tom Hardie of Henderson, Royall Royster of Oxford and Linwood Peoples of Henderson are the candidates. Five of the six are expected to attend the meeting Tuesday.

Of the other candidates, including those unopposed for office, Sykes and White have indicated that they will not attend the meeting.

Derby Planned

The annual Cub Scout Pine-wood Derby race will be held Monday night, April 22, at the Louisburg Methodist Church at 7:30 P.M.

There will be nine awards given, three first places, 3 second places and 3 third places.

Masonic Notice

Louisburg Lodge 413 will hold a stated communication Tuesday evening April 23rd at 7:30 in the Masonic Temple on Jolly Street. Work will be in the Entered Apprentice degree and all Entered Apprentices, Fellowcraft and Master Masons are fraternally invited.

A dutch Ham and Fried Chicken supper will be at 6 P.M. in the dining hall. All proceeds will go to the Oxford Orphanage. Please call George Finch at 496-5405 and let him know if you will attend.

Ferrum Here Saturday

Take Conference Lead

The Louisburg College Hurricanes combined good pitching and hitting yesterday to take a pair of Cavalier-Tar Heel Congerence games from Mt. Olive by 11-4 and 6-1. John Lewis picked up the win in relief of Mike Arledge by holding the Trojans to 3 hits and striking out 8 in 5 innings.

Ronnie Massey blasted a 3 run homer in the third, and Jerry Fisher hit one in the sixth for the Canes. In the second game lefthanders Kevin Hanrahan and Bob Gunn came within 3 outs of a no

hitter. The Trojans came up with 2 hits in the final inning to ruin the bid. Hanrahan hit a 2 run homer in the 5th, and Ronnie Massey collected 3 for 3. He had 5 for 7 for the day.

Louisburg College's Hurricanes and Ferrum's Panther's will clash here Saturday in what could be a battle for the conference championship.

Louisburg jumped into the lead Wednesday with a pair of wins over Mt. Olive. They now stand 5-1 and Ferrum is 6-2.

Local Cars At Butner

At least three Louisburg cars are expected to take part in Friday night's program here, with one being favored to win the night's big race.

Monk Tate, driver of Dick Colliers fast No. 28, won last weeks 35 lap feature race for late Model cars and is currently leading in the point standings for the track championship. Tate also roared to a victory in the first heat race.

Two other local drivers gave good accounts of themselves and are expected to perform

even better in this weeks Rookie-Hobby race. Charlie Tharrington drove Allen Persons No. 7 to a fourth place finish in the wild event while Bobby Gilliam drove his own No. 90 to sixth place finish.

A fourth county car, a Pontiac driven by Wake Harris of Youngsville, was running in second place in the second late Model heat race when he was forced into a deliberate spin to keep from hitting another car broadside, putting him out of contention.



Nobe Medlin caught this 8 pound bass in a pond near Louisburg. Mr. Medlin was using a fishing pole baited with a live minnow.



Shown above is the picnic shelter and meeting rooms built by the Pilot Baptist Church Recreation department. The 90' x 24' foot structure cost around \$5,000. The organization is staging a barbecue supper Saturday night at Pilot to raise funds to build two asphalt covered tennis and basketball courts. Future plans call for lighting a little league baseball and softball field.

Miller, Lewis And Co. Beat Prep Coaches

While it was no run-away, All American Larry Miller and Mike Lewis of Duke, led their All-Star contingent to a 133-102 win over a group of area coaches here Monday night. Miller scored 27 points, but Lewis led with 38. South Carolina's Frank Standard bucketed 34 and Jim Hudock had 26.

Youngsville's Coach Larry Lindsey led the Coaches with 25 points and Warrenton's Jon Burrell had 23 for the losers. Billy Fuller of Norlina hit 14 points and Louisburg's Tommy Twitty had 13. Macy Foster, Epsom coach hit 12 and Steve Lamm former Epsom ace had 6.

The game, sponsored by the Louisburg Athletic Department, was successful according to reports.

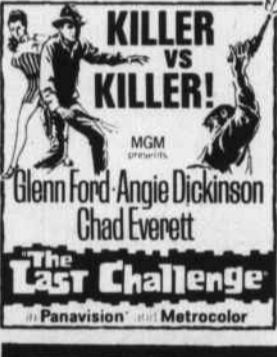
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Downs Rams

Louisburg's Keith Perry threw a five-hitter at the Franklinton Rams Monday afternoon and the Bulldogs took an 11-5 victory. The game which saw 14 errors committed, was highlighted by Perry's four for five at the plate. Archie Baker had two for four in the Bulldog cause. Jim Hefner led the Rams with two for four and Wallace Collins was the Rams losing pitcher. Louisburg made five errors and the Rams committed nine miscues.



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