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## Recorder's Court

The following cases were disposed of during a session of Recorder's Court on Tuesday, October 8th:

Charlie Blacknall, n/m, no operator's license; careless and reckless driving and drunk driving. \$100.00 fine and costs.

Horace Wilson Carroll, n/m/27, careless and reckless driving; carrying concealed weapon. \$75.00 fine and costs. Pistol confiscated and turned over to C.S.C.

Thomas Eugene Perry, n/m/38, speeding; no chauffeurs license. \$40.00 fine and costs.

Bunt Arnold, w/m/61, assault with deadly weapon. Nol pros on payment of costs.

Marguerite Washington, n/f/52, breaking and entering; larceny. Probable cause found; defendant bound over to Superior Court under \$200.00 appearance bond.

Marguerite Washington, n/f/52, larceny. No probable cause found.

Willie Yancey, n/m, assault with deadly weapon with intent to kill, inflicting serious injuries not resulting in death. Bound over to Superior Court under \$1,000.00 bond.

Phillip W. Fulford, w/m/16, transporting alcoholic beverage with seal broken; drinking in public. Prayer for judgment continued for 1 year upon good behavior.

Chester Carlyle, w/m/16, transporting alcoholic beverage with seal broken; drinking in public. Prayer for judgment continued for 1 year upon good behavior.

Roy Rogers Hardy, n/m/21, no operator's license. \$25.00 fine and costs.

Joseph Toney, n/m/27, no operator's license. \$25.00 fine and costs.

Cleo (NMN) Kearney, n/m/44, operating auto intoxicated; expired operator's license; possession non tax paid liquor. \$100.00 fine and costs. To turn in driver's license.

Richard Braxton Bumpers, n/m/42, allowing unlicensed person to operate motor vehicle; possession non tax paid whiskey; allowing person to operate motor vehicle under influence of intoxicating liquor. \$100.00 fine and costs.

Fred Carl Lohmueller, w/m/60, speeding. Prayer for judgment continued on payment of costs.

Richard Leon Hart, Jr., n/m/23, speeding. \$15.00 fine and costs.

Willie Horton, w/m/55, speeding. \$15.00 fine and costs.

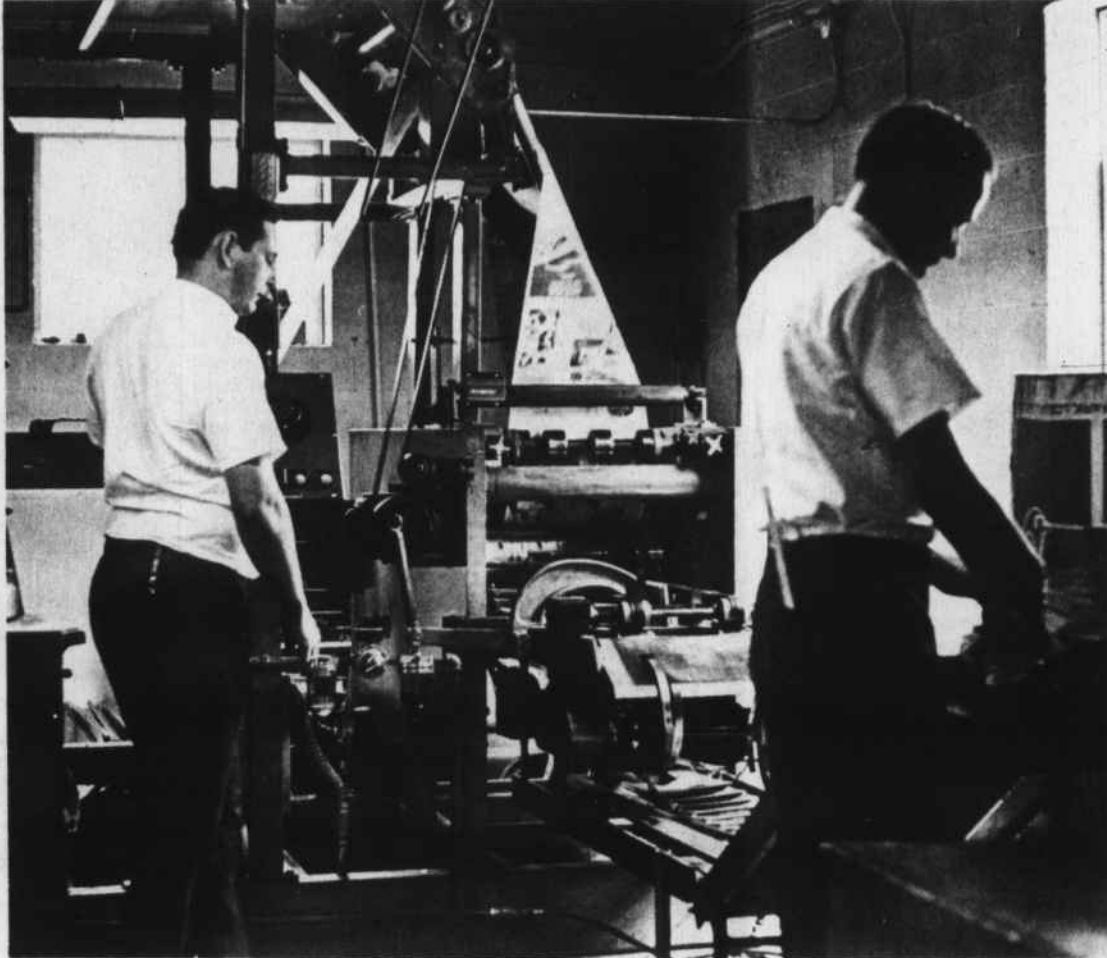
Arthur Len Egerton, n/m/36, speeding. \$15.00 fine and costs.

Michael Keith Smith, w/m/21, speeding. \$10.00 fine and costs.

Roland Jerry Strickland, w/m/20, speeding. \$10.00 fine and costs.

James Truman Cooke, n/m/20, speeding. \$10.00 fine and costs.

Robert D. Conyers, w/m/24, speeding. \$10.00 fine and costs.



## This Is National Newspaper Week Getting The Times Out

The week of October 6 through October 12 has been proclaimed National Newspaper Week in North Carolina by Governor Dan K. Moore. It is a week set aside each year to point to the importance of newspapers to their communities.

Scene above shows Elderidge Shearin, pressman, and Astor Bowden, assistant pressman, operating the modern offset press here at The Franklin Times plant. The second section of today's edition is being run in scene above. The first section usually comes off the high-speed press around 3 p.m.

The Times is published each Tuesday and Thursday with a current circulation of nearly 3800.

## Perry Named Louisburg Registrar

## Rev. Coppedge Registers Complaint On Franklin Voting Procedures

The North Carolina Voter Education Project, finance by the Southern Regional Council by private foundations, has asked the State Board of Elections to take steps to eliminate what the VEP calls "violations or acts of harassment" against Negroes in Franklin County.

The complaint, according to a by-lined article in today's News and Observer, was lodged by Rev. Luther Coppedge, a former resident of the Justice Community, who led the

school desegregation fight in Franklin County. According to the article, written by Jack Aulis, staff writer, Coppedge reported that a Negro voter who requested that a relative help him fill out his ballot was refused "because the registrar said the relative had to be a registered voter, too".

VEP Director John W. Edwards reported the Coppedge complaint along with those from five other Eastern North Carolina counties to Alex Brock, Elections Board Secre-

tary. George Champion, Franklin Elections Board Secretary, said this morning that he had heard no complaints whatsoever. He said his Board has a meeting planned for today at 3 p.m. but that it is meeting to consider other business and not in regards to the complaint.

Two unconfirmed reports were circulated during the May primaries and the re-registration in the Cedar Rock precinct, where Coppedge lived until just recently when he and his family moved, reportedly to Wake County.

One report said that Coppedge attempted to help in the registration, which was held in a small office in the Edward Best School.

He was told, according to the report, that his help was not needed by the registrars. He had brought a group of Negroes to the office to be registered and, according to the report, wanted to assist the registrars in registering them.

The second report, also unconfirmed, said that Coppedge's son, Douglas Harold wanted to accompany a Negro voter into the booth in the May Primary and was refused permission. The boy is not old enough to vote, according to the report.

Other than the two reports, no complaints have been aired in any of the eleven precincts either during the registration or the voting.

Taylor Boone, Chairman of the Board of Elections, could not be reached for comment today. In the meeting at 3 p.m. today, K. Wayne Burris, a member of the faculty at Louisburg College will be sworn in as a replacement for William Wagner of the Board of Elections. George Perry, Rt. 4, Louisburg, farmer, has been named to succeed Lee Bell as Louisburg precinct registrar and he, too, is to be sworn in today.

## Demo Women To Meet

Mrs. Agnes Merritt, President of the Franklin County Democratic Women, announced today that there is to be a business meeting of the organization Monday night at 8 p.m. The meeting will be held in the local Bob Scott-Democratic Headquarters trailer on East Nash Street, according to the announcement.

## Franklin School Case Heard In Richmond

Attorneys for the Franklin County Board of Education appeared before the Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals in Richmond, Va. Wednesday to appeal the August 5 District Court decision resulting in the total integration of Franklin Schools. E. F. Yarborough, attorney for the Board, said today that no decision was expected immediately in the case.

Yarborough reported that the only other school case scheduled for Wednesday was continued. This one involved a school district in South Carolina. In the Franklin case, he said, the hearing was routine. Some questions were asked by members of the Court of both Board attorneys and attorneys for the NAACP and U.S. Justice Department.

The Board of Education is contending that Judge Algernon Butler failed to allow adequate hearings into the feasibility of carrying out his order of August 5 and that the Clinton, N. C. jurist exceeded his authority in his order which caused a complete reorganization of Franklin Schools.

The District Court ordered six attendance zones drawn and closed Cedar Street and Youngsville Elementary Schools. It was also ordered that all children attending the same grade

in a zone must attend the same school. The order eliminated so-called neighborhood schools and in effect, caused a number of children to travel from near a school they had been attending to schools farther from their homes.

The case was started in 1965 by eleven Negro parents in the county and the U.S. Department of Justice entered the case in January of 1966. The Board of Education has sought relief through the Fourth Circuit Court on three previous occasions. All have been denied.



JIM GARDNER

## State Highway Commission To Hold Hearing

Raleigh - The State Highway Commission will hold a public hearing in the First Citizen's Bank & Trust Company Meeting Room in Louisburg Tuesday, October 15, 1968 at 11:00 A.M.

The hearing is on the proposed improvement to NC 39 from the Louisburg city limits to 1500 ft. north of SR 1249.

In charge of the hearing will be Highway Commissioner J. B. Brame of Durham and Assistant Chief Engineer R. W. McGowan of Raleigh.

A map is posted in the Franklin County Courthouse showing the location of the project.

The public is invited to attend the hearing and all interested citizens will be given an opportunity to be heard.

## Weather

Variable cloudiness and a little warmer today. Considerable cloudiness and mild with showers today and Friday.

## Gardner To Open Headquarters

Congressman Jim Gardner, Republican candidate for Governor, will be in Louisburg Wednesday, October 16, to speak at the opening of the Jim Gardner for Governor headquarters. The Rocky Mount businessman will be in the area between the hours of 12 noon to 1 p.m., according to Richard Alston, GOP County Chairman.

This will be the second visit to Louisburg for Gardner. He spoke to a rally here last June 11. Details of the headquarters opening were not learned other than that Gardner is to be the principal speaker. Archie Bunn of Pilot is the Gardner campaign manager.

## Man Goes Beserk In Hospital Emergency Room

A 40-year-old Warren County Negro went beserk in the emergency room at Franklin Memorial Hospital early Monday morning, injuring at least one person and doing considerable property damage, according to Franklin Sheriff William Dement's office.

Sam Williams of the Inez Community of Warren County was finally subdued by Deputy Sheriff Lloyd Gupton and Dr. Carey J. Perry. Williams slashed James Lancaster of Cen-

terville across the hand in the melee resulting in 17 stitches having to be taken to repair the wound.

Gupton related the story that Lancaster happened to see Williams drive away from the Lancaster home in Lancaster's pickup truck around 1 a.m. Monday. Lancaster's daughter called Gupton, who lives nearby, and reported the theft as Lancaster attempted to follow the truck. Gupton met Lancaster and picked him up and drove into Warren County in search of

Williams. After checking with the Warren Sheriff, the pair headed back into Franklin County, spotting the truck parked in the yard of what Gupton termed Williams' girl friend.

Gupton said that as he attempted to place Williams under arrest, the Negro picked up a stick and began to strike at the Deputy. Gupton was finally able to handcuff the man after striking him with a blackjack. Williams, bleeding from the head wound, was transported to the hospital by Gupton and Lancaster.

Mrs. Jane Parrish, emergency room nurse, began preparing Williams for treatment and Gupton said he and Lancaster stepped down the hall to the water fountain when an orderly joined Mrs. Parrish in the emergency room. After having his head shaven preparatory to sewing the wound, Williams slipped the blade from the razor left nearby, jumped from the table and began swinging his arms wildly, according to the Sheriff's report. Gupton and Lancaster returned and Gupton attempted to quiet the man with a tear gas gun. This, according to Gupton, had little if any effect.

Lancaster was cut while attempting to wrest a chair from the suspect and finally Gupton also attempted to battle the man with a second chair. Gupton, with the aid of Dr. Perry finally wrested the chairs away from Williams causing him to drop the razor blade and the two men managed to hold him pinned to the floor until Louisburg police officers Hubert Shearin and Robert Redmond, who had been summoned by Mrs. Parrish, arrived.

Following treatment, Williams was jailed here and later transported on Tuesday to Dorothy Dix Hospital in Raleigh for observation.

Sheriff Dement said bond is set at

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## Franklinton Rescue Service Drive Launched

Pictured above is Mr. J. R. Hefner (R), Plant Manager of Franklinton Fabrics, presenting a check for \$400 in behalf of Burlington Industries, to Mr. John Gonella (L), Secretary-Treasurer of the Franklinton Lion's Club. The Club will soon begin a fund-raising project for the Franklinton Rescue Squad, for the purpose of purchasing housing for the Squad's two ambulances and other equipment. Members of the Lion's Club will be contacting citizens in and around the Franklinton Township area this month, soliciting donations for this cause.



## Bunn Woman Wins \$10,000

Mrs. Shirley Dement of Bunn is shown above receiving ten one thousand dollar bonds as one of three national winners in the Avon Products, Inc. sales representatives' sweepstakes. Mrs. Dement, who works in Zebulon and sells the cosmetic products part time, was presented the prize recently by Jacob Brown, Divisional Sales Manager of Newark, Delaware. Mrs. Dement's husband, Clarence, is shown at right and Mrs. Louise Driver of Louisburg, Avon representative, who encouraged Mrs. Dement to join the cosmetic firm, is shown at left.