THE FRANKLIN TIMES **Bulldogs Ready For Friday Test Against Yellow Jackets**

grid team that has Louisburg the most The misery over the past eleven years comes to town Friday night and the parallel with a year ago is not missed. Last year, the Buildogs carried a three-game win streak to Warrenton and when the dust had settled the Jackets had gained demoralizing 26-6 win. Louisburg did not score again

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in three games. This is a new season. The Bulldogs again boast a threegame winning streak. Their win over Elm City (40-0) and their win over Norlina (50-0) and even the closer victory over Franklinton (20-12) are more impressive than last year's first three wins. But the similarity still glows ever

so brightly. The Yellow Jackets a year ago had lost to South Hill (26-14) and to Weldon (32-7) and had defeated W. R. Davie

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(32-7) when the Bulldogs took the field against them in the fourth game of the season. This year, Warrenton has lost to South Hill (30-18) and to Weldon (20-6) and defeat-W. R. Davie (46-12). The

similarity is frightening. The two teams did not meet in Louisburg's first year of football but have met each of the eleven years since. War-renton holds the best record of any team against the Bull-dogs. The Jackets have won 9, Louisburg has won only one (1966, 21-20) and one game ended in a 13-13 tie (1963), No other team holds such a wide edge over the Bulldogs.

Last year, the Jackets stung the locals on two TD runs by All East Benny Hilliard. Hilliard, who romped for 62 and 44 yards for his TD's, is gone. He is enrolled at a private school in Enfield.

Billy Spruill, who scored a third TD last year, is also gone. But the "Horse" is back -- All State candidate Leon Edmonds, 180 pound, 6'1" fullback is flushed with

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a five-touchdown perfor-mance against W. R. Davie week. He scored a TD and two extra points against Louisburg last year. Joining Edmonds is an outstanding sophomore linesman, Danny Bartholomew, who was se-lected Linesman of the Week by the Rocky Mount Evening Telegram last week. The 170 pounder, made 10 tackles and six assists in the game. Warrenton's rushing game

exceeds its passing yardage in games reported thus far. In the opener, the Jackets gain-ed 248 yards rushing and only 90 yards passing. In the Weldon tilt, Warrenton gained 150 yards on the ground and 16 yards passing.

In preseason forecast Warrenton was paired with Weldon as Roanoke Con-ference favorites; Louisburg was placed behind Oxford Orphanage and Wakelon in the Franklin Area ratings. Both teams are strong and Friday's clash should be a good one.

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1958	34	
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1960	13	
1961	7	
1962	29	1
1963	13	1
1964	48	2
1965	42	
1966	20	2
1967	27	
1968	26	



We Wonder

Professor: Oxygen is essential to all animal existence. There could be no life without it. Yet, strange to say, it was discovered only a little over a century ago. Student: What did they do before it was discovered?



By CLINT FULLER

If ever a team had incentive to win a football game, the ulldogs have in the upcoming Friday contest with Warrenton, re Yellow Jackets have beaten Louisburg nine of the eleven mes the teams have met; they have tied one game and Louisburg has one lone win.

Warrenton broke the Bulldog win streak at three last year and prevented that Louisburg unit from tying the local record for consecutive wins at four. This year's squad has that same chance Friday.

The only year Louisburg won top billing, Warrenton went to the District Playoffs. In a secret ballot in 1962 the Jackets were picked over Louisburg and Oxford Orphanage. That year Warrenton beat Louisburg; Louisburg beat Oxford and Oxford beat Warrenton. The Jackets downed Wakelon (28-25) in the District but lost to James Kenan in the big game. The loss to Warrenton that year by Louisburg cost the Bulldogs a trip to the Playoffs.

Louisburg with its opening Elm City win, was rated 13th in the East two weeks ago. When the Bulldogs romped over Norlina they moved to 9th and were replaced in 13th slot by Warrenton, which at the time was winless. Just how the Jackets without a win were rated the same as Louisburg at that time is still a mystery.

This week, Louisburg with three impressive wins is unrated in the Greensboro's Daily News' statewide rankings. Warrenton with a lone victory over Davie is rated 9th, a knotch above **Rams Host Littleton Blue Jays** ing win over the Gaston Re-bels (12-6) and an impressive 33-12 win over Garner B. They have lost to Oxford Owners (2007)

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Orphanage (28-0) and to Louisburg (20-12). In the opener Littleton series. The Jays downed the Rains in their initial meeting in 1966, 37-27 and again in gained 299 yards rushing and 76 yards passing. Against Murfreesboro's Red Devils, 1967, 30-13 and last year by the margin of 20-6. The Jays the Jays gained 92 yards on the ground and only 35 in the air. The Jays are weak in the did not win a game last year until they downed the Rams and the only two Littleton punting department averaging 7 yards a punt against the Red Devils and 9 yards a punt wins came at the hand of Louisburg and Franklinton against Midway. Stevie Atkins is the Jay's big man along Littleton holds an impres-sive opening win over Midway (54-14) and a respectable loss to powerful Murfreesboro with Earl Spivey and Buddy Isles. Arkins was named Offensive Blue Jay of the week for his play in the Murfrees-(3-0) two weeks ago. The Jays had an open date last boro game; Spivey and Isles were selected Defensive Jays Franklinton has an open-

Atkins gained 61 yards in 10 carries against Murfrees-boro in a game described as a defensive battle. It was settled when Murfreesboro's

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Henry Vann booted a 37-yard field goal in the third quarter.

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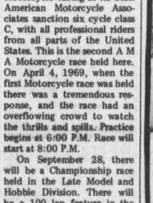


The Franklin County Shrine Club will hold its an-nual Fish Fry next Wednes-day, October 1, according to an announcement today by Club President W. B. Joyner. Shriners will serve fish to the public beginning at 11 A.M. in Ford's Warehouse here and will continue to serve meals until 8 P.M. Joyner urged the public to attend for both lunch and supper. He said all proceeds will go to aid the Shriner's Hospitals for Crippled Children.

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Thursday, September 25, 1969



be a 100 lap, feature in the Late Model Division and a 40 lap feature in the Late Model Hobbie Division. Drivers from all over the Carolinas and parts of Virginia, and South Carolina, will be present for the last Championship race for this season. Gates open at 1:00 P.M., Time trials at 2:15, and the race gets underway at 3:00 P.M.



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of the Week

The Rams have perhaps their strongest squad in years with All Conference Cliff Wil-liams, standout Bobby Kearney, quarterback Jerry Sim-

One cubic foot of uranium has the same energy content as 1.7 million tons of coal, 7.2 million barrels of oil, or 32 billion cubic feet of na-

Ayden, defending state champions.

Of the ten Class A teams in the state as rated by Greensboro. only two have better records than Louisburg. Robbinsville (1) and North Duplin (5) have 4-0 records. Oxford Orphanage (3) and Lillington (7) have the same 3-0 record as Louisburg.

Lillington's opponents are unknown but the three Oxford wins are comparable to those of the Bulldogs. Oxford best Franklinton 28-0; Louisburg downed the Rams, 20-12. Not quite as impressive as the Oxford win, but the Rams were playing game number four against Louisburg and they were tougher. Oxford beat Eastern Wayne 12-7, not an impressive victory and downed hapless Southern Nash 57-8 (wire reports erroneously listed the score as 67-8). The Red Devils beat Nash last year 53-0

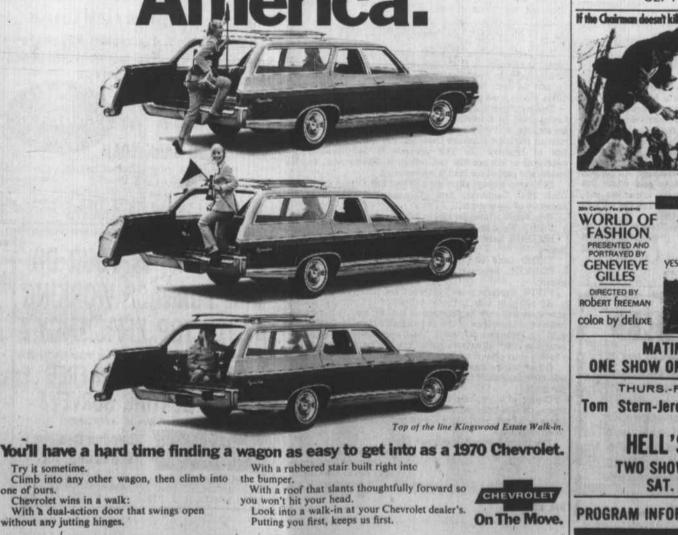
Taking nothing away from the fine Warrenton team and certainly not unestimating the powerful Red Devils, it does seem that the Bulldogs need to show the rating people that Louisburg has a football team-and a pretty good one.

Being undefeated to this point doesn't seem to be enough. Those who select the top teams seem to think that Warrenton with a 1-2 record and Oxford are much stronger. If this isn't incentive enough for the locals, maybe the fact their coach is a former Warrenton gridder will be.

The contest promises to be a real good one and weather cooperating, one of the largest crowds in Buildog history is expected to be on hand for the 8 P.M. kickoff, Friday. The Norlina gate two weeks ago was one of the biggest ever for the

The Louisburg Jayvees play Wakelon here tonight. The youngsters lost their first game to Millbrook but came back strong last week in downing the Franklinton Jeyvees, 52-0. Plummer Williams accounted for two Louisburg TD's in the first half and Eugene Thomas scored another. Scoring in the second half run-a-way was not reported.

Today's Prep Clipboard in the News and Observer has Louisburg in 7th place in the Eastern listings and Warrenton is in 10th: Both teems are moved up from last week's ninth position for Louisburg and 13th for the Yellow Jackets, Greensboro rates Warrenton better than Louisburg; Raleigh rates the Bulldogs higher. After Friday, everybody will know.



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