

Chowan Is Stimied By Cold Weather

Snow, sleet and freezing temperatures have held a firm grip over this area for the past week. Some break in the weather was experienced Wednesday.

Except for a few broken bones, frozen water pipes

and loss of business to local establishments, there was no major damage resulting from the weather.

The Albemarle Sound froze solid Sunday. Wednesday's higher temperatures started the thaw but it was reported

most of the sound around Edenton was still iced over at press time.

J. H. Conger, Sr., local weather observer, said to his knowledge this was the first time since 1927 that the sound was iced over completely. He said the freeze this year was not nearly as great, however, as was reported in 1917.

Snow began falling here Tuesday night and fell most of the day Wednesday. Before the streets were completely cleared, two inches of sleet fell Saturday on the snow. Conger said four to five inches of snow was recorded prior to the sleet.

Temperatures dropped to 12 degrees Saturday night, the lowest recorded here in many years. The low last winter was 13. The high on Sunday was 15 degrees above zero.

Town Administrator W. B. Gardner said street department crews worked steadily to keep the area as free and passable as possible under such adverse conditions. Snow and ice from the downtown area was dumped at the foot of Broad Street and a huge mound remained at mid-week.

Edenton and Chowan schools were closed Wednesday and Thursday of last week but re-opened Friday. The schools were ordered closed Monday and Tuesday by Supt. Hiram J. Mayo but were opened again Wednesday.

At least five persons were hospitalized at Chowan Hospital for broken bones as a result of falling on the ice or snow. There were no fatalities reported in the area.

Police Chief James Griffin and Sheriff Earl Goodwin reported no unusual activities by their respective departments. No serious accidents were investigated.

Fire Chief W. J. Yates said his department did not answer a single call during the cold days—"thank goodness," he added.

Two water mains were damaged by freezing. Richard Hines, superintendent of the electric and water department, said a main froze Sunday in Albania and the residents were out of water approximately three hours. The same was the case Monday afternoon on Johnston Street when water was off about two hours.

While one power line was down due to the weather, Hines said no major problem existed. "I am quite pleased with the way we came through this storm," he said.

Mother's March Is Successful

The Mother's March of Dimes netted \$526.80 for the campaign which has been going on in this area for the past month.

Mrs. Wayne Rawls, chairman of the event conducted by Edenton Jayettes, said the drive was very successful this year and she expressed her appreciation to those who gave of their time as well as local citizens who contributed to the drive.

The Public Parade

COLD — For those along The Public Parade under 30 years of age 1966 will be remembered as the first time they have seen the Albemarle Sound frozen solid.

It just about tells the whole story of the 10 days of extremely cold weather experienced locally.

But for us, 1966 will be remembered as the year it got so cold in our kitchen that when we opened the refrigerator it felt like a heat wave.

THE HEART FUND — In the opinion of this newspaper, the 15-year performance record of the Heart Association in the fight against heart and blood vessel disease has established it as being worthy of our community's fullest support.

This fact speaks for itself. Since the onset of massive cardiovascular research in 1950, triggered by the first Heart Fund campaign in 1949, there has been a decline of 15 per cent in the cardiovascular death rate for Americans under 65.

The improved mortality picture grows chiefly out of a dramatic reduction in the toll due to hypertension and hyperlipemic heart disease, and to stroke. It is an overall improvement. It has taken place despite a worsening of the death rate due to heart attack, the number one killer of all time.

Yet let no one assume that victory is close at hand. Heart and blood-vessel disease, at all ages, is responsible for about 54 per cent of all deaths in the United States. Those who read this paper's obituaries will note continuing references to the death toll taken by cardiovascular diseases in this community.

Your Heart Association has won the confidence, respect and gratitude not only of the medical profession but of the public at large. It has channeled more than 110 million Heart Fund dollars into research — research that is now paying off. Its work in the field of education and community service is bringing the benefits of new knowledge to every citizen.

So be generous. Give — so more will live.

RATE INCREASE — For the first time in more than five years, The Chowan Herald finds it necessary to increase local display advertising rates. Effective March 1 the lowest local rate will be 60 cents per column inch.

The cost of doing business for The Herald has edged upward at a steady pace over the past few years. These costs have been absorbed by the company while continuing efforts to improve the newspaper.

The Chowan Herald em-



UNFAMILIAR SCENE — This scene is one of the most photographed in Edenton but it carried an unfamiliar touch recently when the water in Albemarle Sound froze. This photograph was taken from Water Street, looking across the corner of the bay toward the famous Barker House at left, and the home of Mrs. Helen Pruden. It symbolizes the cold, cold weather experienced in the area during the past week.



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AT AWARDS BANQUET — Lt. Gov. Robert W. Scott of Haw River, left, spoke at the Jaycee DSA Banquet Thursday night at which time Samuel Cox, second from right, was presented the coveted award by Mayor John A. Mitchener, Jr. Shown with them is Mrs. Cox.

Sam Cox DSA Winner; James C. Dail Call To Service Issued Heads Campaign

Samuel Cox, president of Edenton Junior Chamber of Commerce, is winner of the

1965 Distinguished Service Award here. It marked the third consecutive year the DSA has gone to the Jaycee president.

Cox was signally honored for his contribution to the betterment of this community last Thursday at the annual DSA, BoSses and Ladies' Night banquet held at the Masonic Temple.

Nearly 200 persons braved the cold weather to attend the function.

Lt. Gov. Robert W. Scott of Haw River, addressed the group.

In his thought provoking address, Lt. Gov. Scott cited the need for more citizens to take an active part in the affairs of the community, state and nation.

"The don't care attitude disturbs me greatly," the speaker said. He said non-involvement has become an accepted way of life in this country.

However, this was not true in the case of our founding fathers. "In the early days citizens couldn't afford to be spectators," he said.

Scott said the architect of new principles of service to mankind was Jesus, while Paul gave a pattern for service. "These principles and patterns are passing away with the passage of time," he said.

The speaker said our country has too many freeloaders who want to get more than

James C. (Pete) Dail, secretary-treasurer of Edenton Savings & Loan Association, has been appointed to head Heart Fund campaign activities in Chowan County.

The appointment of Dail to head the month-long campaign for funds to support the Heart Association, was made by Tom Shepard, chapter president.

Dail has been active in various phases of activities in this area including president of Edenton Junior Chamber of Commerce. He won the Distinguished Service Award in 1964.

In announcing plans for the February campaign, Shepard said Harry Venters will be rural Heart Fund director and Mrs. Edward Bond will direct Heart Sunday activities set for February 20.

Britton Byrum heads the Business Days committee and Rudolph Dale is in charge of Balloon Days.

Jack Evans is directing the Heart-O-Rama and Ed Booth is special events chairman. Special gifts chairman is Mrs. Earl Goodwin, while Mrs. Joseph Thorud is rheumatic fever chairman. Mrs. J. Edwin Bufflap is publicity chairman.

Mrs. Helen Pruden is treasurer of the organization which has a 1965 campaign goal of \$2,200.

President William C. Friday of the Consolidated University of North Carolina is state Heart Fund chairman.

Many Political Office Holders Will Face Voters

Although it is some time until the May primary elections, political fever in Chowan County is beginning to edge upward.

With many county offices to be filled, talk of candidates for various posts is already beginning.

First political activity in Chowan County was started last week when Judge W. S. Privott of Recorder's Court announced that he would be a candidate for one of the two new district judgeships. Judge Privott has been a popular vote-getter in this county and is widely known throughout the seven-county district.

Under the new court reform law, the Clerk of Superior Court will be removed from county employment and become a state employee. The clerk will run for a four-year term and be paid a salary set by the state.

Mrs. Lena Leary, clerk in Chowan County, is up for re-election this year and all indications are that she will file for another four-year term. Mrs. Leary has been connected with the local court office for a number of years.

1966 will be the time to elect the sheriff. Sheriff Earl Goodwin is expected to seek re-election.

This will be the first year the Chowan County Board of Commissioners will run under a new law which puts the board members on staggered terms.

Rep. W. J. P. Earnhardt, Jr., introduced legislation in the 1965 General Assembly which has the top two candidates being elected for four

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Only Two Cases Heard In Court

George Oscar Cofield was convicted in Chowan Recorder's Court Tuesday of reckless driving. He was charged with driving drunk.

At the conclusion of the evidence, Judge W. S. Privott convicted the Negro motorist of the lesser offense. Judge Privott sentenced Cofield to 60 days, but suspended the sentence upon payment of \$35 fine and court costs.

Clyde Leary, Jr., was brought into court for failure to comply with a former order of the court. Judge Privott sentenced him to six months in prison.

Solicitor Thomas Cheers, Jr., prosecuted the short docket.



TO SPEAK HERE—Edenton Rotarians Thursday at noon will hear Dr. John East of Greenville, GOP candidate for the First Congressional District seat in Saturday's general election. This will be Dr. East's first public speaking appearance here during the current campaign.

Ballot Saturday In First District

Voters throughout the First Congressional District go to the polls Saturday to elect a successor to the late Rep. Herbert C. Bonner.

Polls in Chowan and other counties in this district will open at 6:30 A. M., and close at 6:30 P. M.

Candidates in the general election, one of the shortest in political annals in North Carolina, are: State Senator Walter B. Jones of Farmville, Democrat; and Dr. John P. East of Greenville, Republican.

West W. Byrum, chairman of Chowan County Board of Elections, said election machinery in this county is ready.

Balloting in Chowan will be at the following places:

East Edenton Precinct: Chowan County Court House, Mrs. J. E. Cozzens, registrar.

West Edenton Precinct: Municipal Building, Mrs. George C. Hoskins, registrar.

Rocky Hook Precinct: Rocky Hook Community Building, David Ober, registrar.

Center Hill Precinct: Ross-er Bunch Store, Ralph Goodwin, registrar.

Wardville Precinct: H. R. Peele's Store, H. R. Peele, registrar.

Yeopim Precinct: Fire Station Building at old air base, Ward Hoskins, registrar.

Jones won the Democratic nomination in a primary election held December 18. He won easily over four other candidates and received more than 80 per cent of the Chowan County vote.

Dr. East, an East Carolina College professor who has resided in North Carolina less than 18 months, was unopposed for the GOP nomination.



DETERMENT TO BUSINESS — The two inches of sleet which fell in Edenton Saturday night put a cap on four or five inches of snow that had fallen earlier in the week. Pictured here is Broad Street, looking north, Sunday morning. The only sign of activity were the two vehicles parked in front of the fire station, left.