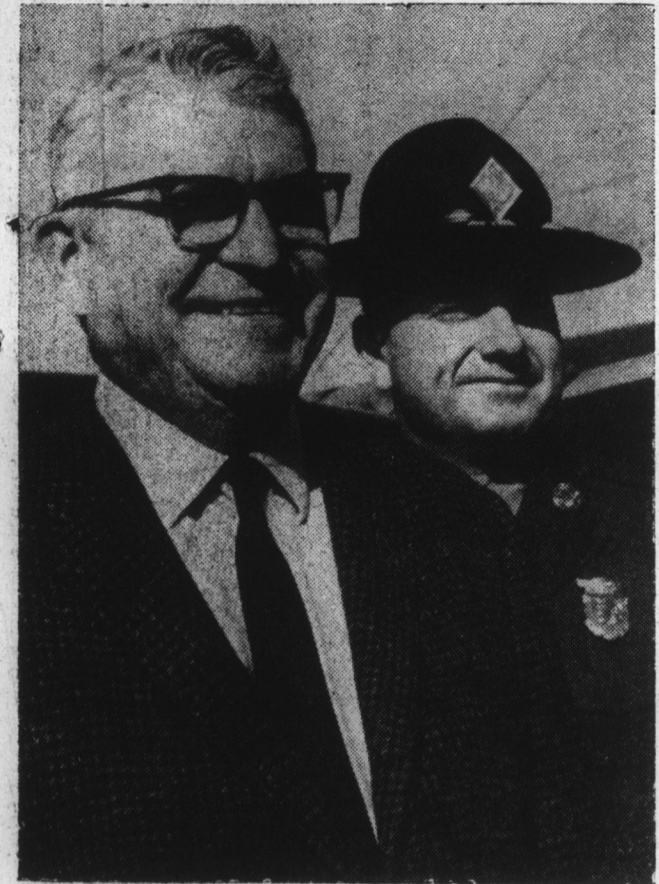




Rep. Not Up In Air Culpepper Likes Planes

Although State Motor Vehicles Commissioner A. Pils-ton Godwin, Jr., of Gates, hasn't shown his hand, there are strong overtones that he will ask the 1967 General Assembly to repeal a law which prohibits the use of



SHUNS PLANE RIDE—Rep. W. T. Culpepper, Jr., of Elizabeth City, posed with State Highway Patrol Flight Sgt. Dan Williams at Edenton Municipal Airport prior to a demonstration of the patrol's aerial capabilities at traffic safety last week. Rep. Culpepper was impressed with what he saw but not from the air. The new House member gained his experience from a State Patrol cruiser "piloted" by state Trooper Wayne Rawls.

planes to enforce traffic laws. Patrol Flight Sgt. Dan Williams was in Edenton last Thursday to give Rep. W. T. Culpepper, Jr., of Elizabeth City, a demonstration of the patrol's aerial capabilities at traffic safety.

This was part of a series of demonstrations of flights arranged by the commissioner Godwin prior to the opening of the General Assembly next month.

Rep. Culpepper tactfully shunned the invitation to take a flight in one of the two patrol aircraft. He made his manners to Sgt. Williams and climbed into a patrol cruiser "piloted" by Trooper Wayne Rawls of Edenton.

The representative said later he was extremely impressed with the demonstration. He said he instructed the trooper to drive at 59 miles per hour and when the speed check came back from the plane, flying at 1,200 feet, it was 59.1 miles per hour.

Rep. Culpepper said he saw no reason why planes would not be effective in enforcement of the traffic laws. "Goodness knows, we must have more patrolmen or use something like this," he said, pointing to the aircraft.

In the demonstration the plane flies over critical traffic areas while a patrol flight observer demonstrates to the lawmakers techniques used in traffic control and the manner in which moving traffic violations can be observed from the air.

Sgt. Williams, carrying a reporter and Trooper R. A. Allen instead of the law-maker, explained that on traffic control missions the plane flies at between 800 and 1,200 feet, weather permitting. The plane hovers over a marked area of the highway—in this case a section just north of the "Y" on highway 32. When a car crosses a certain line in the highway a trooper in the plane clocks him.

The speed is calibrated by the trooper and radioed back to another officer on the ground who stops the vehicle.

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Doctors Prepare For Area Clinic

Physicians in the Chowan-Perquimans Medical Society, cooperating with the District Health Department, are finalizing plans for the End Measles Clinics to be held in Edenton and Hertford January 29.

Dr. David O. Wright, chairman of the clinic in Chowan County, said it is estimated that between 1,200 and 1,500 in this county are eligible to receive these shots.

The local physician said children between the ages of one and six will be given the measles shots, free of charge, at the health department in Hotel Joseph Hewes in Edenton between the hours of 12 noon and 2:30 P. M., on January 29. Children who are six but have not entered the first grade can get the shots, he added.

Arrangements have been made to get a jet injector device from Atlanta, Ga., for use at this clinic. This device makes the shot virtually painless, the doctor said.

Parents of children eligible to take the shots are encouraged to bring them to the health department in an effort to halt the spread of measles this spring.

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Commissioners To Host Event Here Tuesday

Chowan County Commissioners will host a legislative conference of county officials from 14 counties on Tuesday, January 24.

W. E. Bond, chairman, will welcome commissioners, accountants, attorneys and other county officials from Bertie, Camden, Chowan, Currituck, Dare, Gates, Hertford, Hyde, Martin, Northampton, Pasquotank, Tyrrell, Perquimans and Washington.

The meeting, sixth of a series of 11 district conferences scheduled by the North Carolina Association of County Commissioners, will begin at 10 A. M. at the Chowan County Court House.

Association President Fred Hauser of Forsyth County announced today that the district conferences will be devoted to development of major legislative proposals to be presented to the 1967 General Assembly.

Discussion leaders John Morrissey, association general counsel and Paul Guthrie, Jr., assistant executive secretary, will present the topics for discussion including a local option sales tax, ambulance services, juror selection, health and welfare appropriations.

Following a scheduled luncheon, the group will discuss community action programs, schools, organization and administration of county government and various federal aid programs. Adjournment is scheduled about 3:30 P. M.

Mayor Proclaims 'Jaycee Week'

Mayor John A. Mitchener, Jr., has signed a proclamation designating this as Jaycee Week in Edenton.

He said this week has been set aside to recognize the great service Edenton Junior Chamber of Commerce is rendering to the community. He went on to point out that the organization of young men has contributed materially to the betterment of this community throughout the year.

Bob Waller is Jaycee president. Other officers in Edenton are: Wayne Rawls, first vice president; Oscar White, second vice president; Jim Jenkins, secretary; Billy Ricks, corresponding secretary; Leo LaVoie, treasurer and James (Pete) Dail, state director.

County Red Cross Chapter Is Ready To Fold

A last ditch attempt to breathe new life into the Chowan County Chapter, American Red Cross, was made Thursday in an appeal to the board of directors of Edenton Chamber of Commerce.

Murray D. Ashley, Civil Defense director and arch booster of the Red Cross program, appeared at the board meeting to seek assistance in efforts to keep the chapter alive.

He said while there is much discussion about the various services rendered by the Red Cross, it is very important that this community maintain the bloodmobile. However, unless nearly \$2,500 can be raised in the next few months, there is grave danger of this program being stopped.

Ashley said it was not a question of meeting the bloodmobile quota on four visits during the year. He pointed out that Edenton Jaycees have done an outstanding job of supporting the blood program but the Red Cross will not allow a community to take only certain programs.

The spokesman said the Red Cross Chapter has been going in the hole for five years. He said this is due to the fact that too few people are willing to give the program any time.

If the chapter cannot raise money to support various Red Cross programs then the blood program will be withdrawn and the local hospital will have to set up one of its own.

Dr. L. Polk Williams, chief of staff at Chowan Hospital and a board member, told fellow directors that the blood program in itself is sufficient ground for supporting the county chapter. He said it is a source of comfort to know that blood of all types is available at the Tidewater Blood Center at no cost to the patient.

W. B. Gardner, chamber president, asked individual directors to speak out in favor of the program and try to come up with a solution prior to the February board meeting.

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A WINNER!—Chowan County gained recognition last weekend when the N. C. Association of Fairs voted the 1966 county fair premium book fifth place in state competition. The bright yellow ribbon was accepted in Durham by representatives of the Chowan County Fair Association, a project of Edward G. Bond Post, American Legion. This was only the second year the local fair had published a premium book.

Chowan Fair Book Wins Ribbon

Chowan County Fair Association's 1966 premium book won fifth place in competition with 50 others from throughout North Carolina.

W. A. Perry, president of the association which puts on the Chowan County Fair, said he is extremely pleased that the group was given state recognition for their premium book.

Just back from the N. C. Fair Association convention in Durham, Perry said those connected with the fair here will be working extra hard this year to improve the premium book and garner first place in state competition. The 52-page premium book was only the second published by the Chowan County group.

The booklet was printed by The Chowan Herald.

At the state association convention, Perry said the Chowan County group made further plans toward improving the 1967 edition of the county fair, sponsored annually by Edward G. Bond Post, American Legion.

A new midway was contracted for 1967

with some 15 rides and shows. Perry said he thought the prospects were bright for an improved midway for this year. Also booked at the Durham convention was a sensational free act.

Perry said the fair group was also working to improve and expand the talent show phase of the fair.

J. Wade Hendricks of Statesville was named president of the state association at the convention. He is an official of Northwestern Bank.

Hendricks is well-known among fair officials, having been connected with the North Carolina State Fair for 25 years. He has more years of service in connection with the fair than any other man in North Carolina.

Approximately 400 people from throughout the state attended the convention, representing some 60 local fairs. Among those from Edenton attending were: Mr. and Mrs. Perry, Woodrow Slade, fair manager, Earl White, Mr. and Mrs. David White, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Mills and Mr. and Mrs. Troy Toppin.

Mothers March Is Set Friday

Members of Edenton Jaycees will conduct the Mothers March of Edenton Friday night between the hours of 5 and 7 o'clock.

Mrs. Stuart Patten, chairman of the event, said the club has organized this canvass in order to assist the Chowan County Chapter in meeting the 1967 fund's campaign goal.

Mrs. Patten said residents are asked to cooperate in this undertaking by having their donations waiting when the Jaycees knock at the door.

At the same time, Jerry Holmes, county chairman, said the Mothers March is one of the most important activities planned during this fund's campaign and said he hoped the ladies would be welcomed by local citizens Friday.

Too, a lifeline is being planned for downtown Edenton Saturday afternoon. Entertainment is planned.

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Desegregation Plan For School Year Is Sought

Chowan County Board of Education has been ordered to file with Eastern District Federal Court a desegregation plan for 1967-68. The plan must be submitted by March 1.

Judge John D. Larkins, Jr., of Trenton, asked for such a plan Tuesday during a pre-trial conference dealing with a discrimination suit filed in November by four Negro high school students. The conference was held in Elizabeth City.

In asking for the county board's plan for further integration of rural schools, Judge Larkins continued for six months the pre-trial hearing. He extended until June the time for filing depositions and discoveries.

The jurist did not hear LaVonne Chambers of Charlotte, attorney for the plaintiffs, on a motion to obtain an immediate temporary restraining order.

"The judge wants to see what the county board will do next year before compelling them to do anything," a spokesman for the board stated following the conference.

It was noted that the jurist was particularly interested in steps taken toward integration of faculty.

Judge Larkins seemed to place special emphasis on faculty integration, one source stated. It was pointed out that the judge made it known it would require Negro teachers in white schools as well as vice versa. At the present time there are no Negro teachers in Chowan High School and only one white teacher at White Oak Elementary School.

In hearing what the county board had been doing toward desegregation and con-

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Society Names B. Scot Ober

GREENVILLE — B. Scot Ober of Edenton, a junior business major at East Carolina College, is new national student representative of Pi Omega Pi national honorary business education society.

He won the office during the 20th biennial convention of the national society in Chicago, Ill.

He was elected in a five-man race that included candidates from Colorado State College, Northern Illinois University, Northern State College at Aberdeen, S. D., and Northwestern State College of Louisiana.

As the only student representative on the society's national council, Ober will attend council meetings during his two-year term. He will also publish the biennial national yearbook of the society, Pi Omega Pi, and distribute copies to the 123 U. S. chapters of Pi Omega Pi.

At East Carolina, Ober is a business education major. He is a member of ECC's Beta Kappa Chapter of Pi Omega Pi and the Young Republicans Club.

He is a 1964 graduate of Chowan High School at Tyner, where he was valedictorian. At Chowan High he was also chief marshal, newspaper editor and president of his class.

His parents are Mr. and Mrs. Paul Ober, Route 1, Edenton.



B. SCOT OBER

The Public Parade

RE-SETTLED—Well, we are settled back along The Public Parade after a 1,100-mile weekend jaunt to Kentucky for a funeral. And let me tell you, Edenton is well-known, even in that hill country.

While we went expressly for the funeral of Mrs. Am-burn's 94-year-old grandmother, we enjoyed seeing on the other side of the mountain again. As we met relatives for the first time, we found they were not strangers to our town.

They had read about the re-enactment of the Edenton Tea Party and an uncle who had been connected with the U. S. Navy asked about the airport and was interested to learn the cannon are still in place on the waterfront.

Along the route deer played in the road and traces of snow was along the highways and on the mountain tops. It rained and fog was heavy as we went up one mountain and around another.

It was good to get to Edenton late Monday afternoon, not as much because we were tired out as because it was home. We discovered that while we still have a special fondness for the mountains the odor from Plymouth is becoming sweeter and sweeter.

RED CROSS CRISIS—Over the years the American Red Cross has been one of our most controversial public agencies. The Red Cross has been extremely active in peacetime as well as during armed conflicts.

At this time the people who meander along The Public Parade are in danger of losing this agency which last year alone put more than three times as much into our community than the budget now required to keep it functioning here. This was in the value of blood used at Chowan Hospital.

Unless the citizenry becomes aroused and comes forth with money to support the Red Cross, the important blood program will be lost. This would be a disaster.

You may not like the way the "Do-Nut Dollies" acted in World War II, the Korean Conflict and now in Vietnam. If one could believe only a fraction of the strange tales brought back by GIs we could not sanction this behavior.

There are other activities of the Red Cross which this one and that one might be able to fuss about. However, the blood program is

so important that it overrides all the bad circulated about the Red Cross.

The people in this community support the blood program. Only once last year—on four visits—did the Red Cross Bloodmobile fail to meet its quota when visiting Edenton. But the blood used at Chowan Hospital was close to the amount collected locally.

In order to enjoy the benefits of Tidewater Blood Center, this community must support the entire Red Cross package. Like everything else we encounter, there are those things we like and others we just can't warm up to. Nevertheless, we cannot just pick the sweet and let the bitter be backed by others.

The Red Cross, through the package plan, has wide appeal. Therefore, it is able to raise a budget consisting of millions of dollars. It would appear that the best way for us to meet head-on this crisis in our community is to resort to the package approach.

Most every civic club in our area is top-heavy with projects. Most organizations are so busy doing good for this community they are doing harm to themselves. But, by collective efforts some of the stress and strain could be alleviated.

The need for community support of the Red Cross

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ANDREW JOINS BROWNIES — J. L. Chestnut, division commander of the American Legion in North Carolina, last week presented an American flag to the local Brownie Scout troop. Mrs. L. C. Noyes, left, leader, and her assistants, Mrs. John Ward and Mrs. David O. Wright were on hand at The Chowan Herald office for a re-enactment of the presentation. Andrew Wright came along with his mother for the ride and everyone thought he had been shooed from the scene. However, at left he joins Chestnut as representatives of the masculine gender at this occasion.