



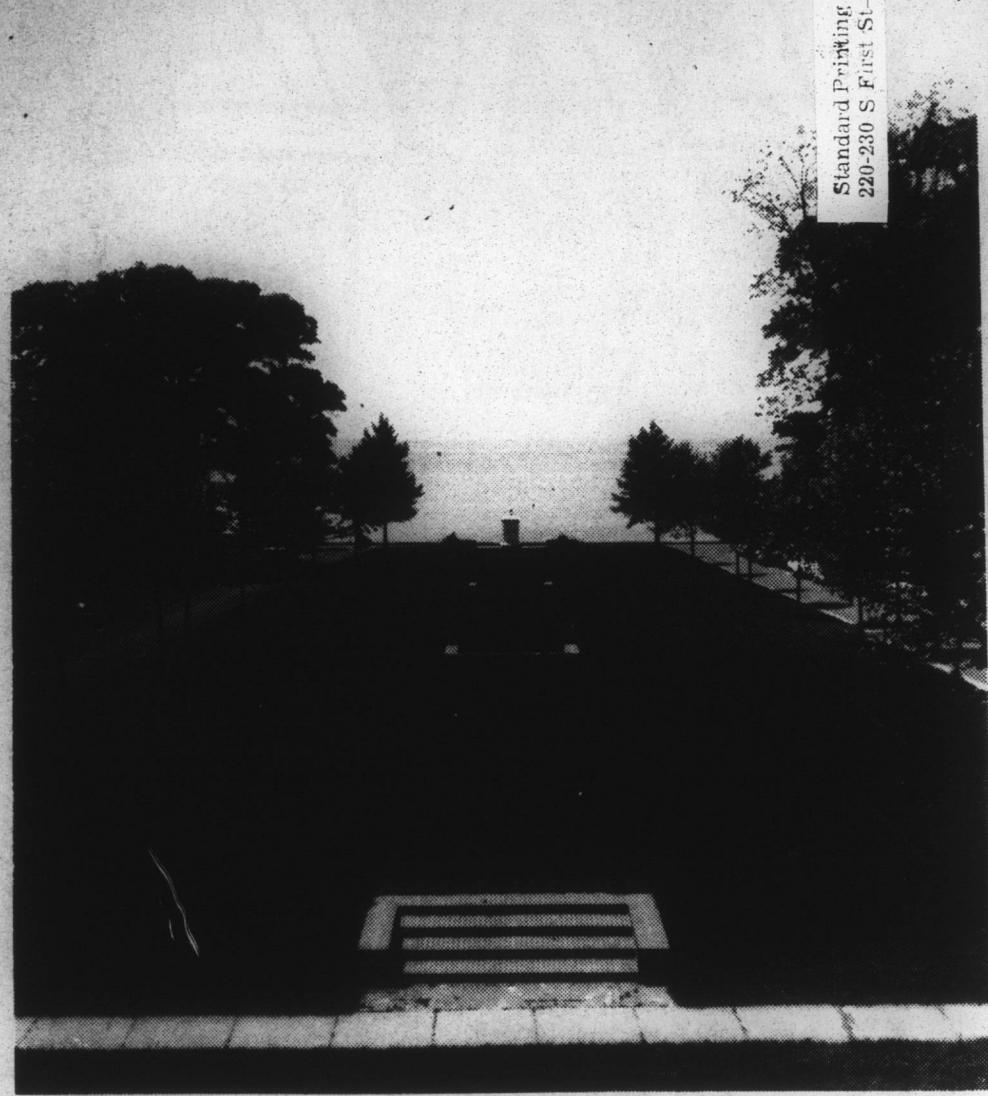
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**ONE OF MANY AREA BEAUTY SPOTS**—Historic Edenton, Inc., is attempting to formally open a Visitor Center-Museum in the Barker House here on June 2. Guide service is to be available for tours of five historic sites in the community. Visitors to the Panel Room of Chowan's historic courthouse will have this view of the Green, looking south out over Edenton Bay. This is one of the area's most beautiful sites during the summer tourist season.

## The Public Parade

### Crawling Sensibly

Chowan County ranks 82nd in North Carolina in per capita income. This means that in only 18 other counties of this state do persons take home an average annual wage less than here.

While ranking 82nd in per capita income, our citizens receive the same basic services enjoyed in the other 81 counties. The business of county and municipal government is big business, even in Chowan. It is also a costly undertaking.

If we can merge our boards of education, having one superintendent where we once had two, and if one health director can work in several counties, it is not far-fetched to think the same could provoke economy in other areas.

Right now, for example, Chowan County Board of Public Welfare is taking applications for a director. One of the problems is finding a qualified person who will come to a small county for the small salary in the budget.

In the realm of county-municipal services, an experienced manager could function efficiently and save more than enough to pay his salary.

It would also be less expensive to have town and county tax bills computed on the town's new data processing equipment. It would, at the same time, be more convenient for the citizens of Edenton to pay both town and county taxes at one place, to one tax collector.

If we, as citizens, are to continue to enjoy the services we desire from our town and county at a reasonable tax rate, somewhere along the line more efficiency must prevail.

In order to walk we must first crawl. However, in many areas we started off running. While we do not advocate returning to the prone, we do believe there are many areas in which we can crawl into a more sensible manner of doing things.

### More On Politics

Politicians are criss-crossing North Carolina in an effort to get there "fustest with the mostest". Everywhere attempting to say just the right thing at the right time and the right place.

This candidate and that candidate is seeking the support of well respected and influential public figures. And sometimes campaign headquarters get carried away in drafting statements of support.

One which caught this writer's eye last week came over the name of one of Eastern North Carolina's most beloved public servants, the Honorable Lindsay Warren.

In announcing his support for Mel Broughton in the Democratic gubernatorial race, Mr. Warren gave the candidate credit for discovering four-lane roads. He also gave him credit for building more bypasses than actually exist.

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# Historic Edenton Is Pushing Plans For Boosting Tourism

Cost of restoration work at five historic sites in Edenton will reach nearly \$300,000 before planned projects are completed, according to W. B. Gardner, president, Historic Edenton, Inc.

Gardner said work is progressing at the Cupola, Barker and Iredell Houses with \$37,000 to be spent prior to opening them to the public on planned, guided tours this summer. The other two historic buildings to be on the tour are St. Paul's Episcopal Church and Chowan County Court House.

Already \$151,000 has been spent on restoration. Cost of additional work will total \$100,000.

At the same time, Gardner said Historic Edenton, Inc., has been offered a challenge grant of \$5,000 from the Richardson Foundation in Greensboro. The corporation must raise \$15,000 locally to qualify for this grant. The money would be spent on restoration work.

Plans are moving ahead to ready the five sites for formal opening on June 2.

The Barker House will house the Visitor Center-Museum that will feature artifacts portraying the history of the area from the earliest time to present. There will also be a short audio-visual program at the center.

A director of Historic Edenton will be employed as well as guides and other personnel. The operating budget will be \$25,000 per year.

Gardner said a proper advertising campaign will be launched to attract tourists to Edenton. "We believe what we will

have to offer will cause a great influx of tourists visiting Edenton," Gardner said.

"The year-round benefits of tourism will be enjoyed by the entire business community," he added.

He pointed out that Edenton Planning Board has recently completed a study of Edenton that indicates that the single largest source of untapped resources is in the realm of tourism.

The long range plans of Historic Edenton, Inc., is to provide an attraction that rivals other tourist sites on the East Coast.

Gardner said the local efforts were given a tremendous boost last year when Edenton Woman's Club turned over \$4,400 of the profits from the Pilgrimage

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## Judgment Entered Against Tee-Lok

Judge W. S. Privott has held two sessions of Chowan County District Court here this week—hearing civil cases on Monday and the criminal docket Tuesday.

Two civil matters were heard Monday. Judge Privott granted a divorce to Richard Nunn Pailin from Nellie Shannonhouse Pailin.

In a judgment dictated Tuesday, Judge Privott awarded Charles O. Tyso \$3,347.08 in his case against Tee-Lok Corporation.

The jurist took in consideration prior commissions paid Tyso by the defendant corporation.

A non-suit was granted in a case where Norfolk General Hospital was seeking to collect a debt from Peter Natuik.

During the criminal session Tuesday, Judge Privott took the following action in cases called by Solicitor Wilton Walker:

McArthur Davis, failing to stop for a stop sign, 30 days, suspended upon payment of \$15 fine and costs.

Marvarine Schofield, worthless check,

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## Board To Meet

Chowan County commissioners will meet Monday at 9:30 A. M., in the court house. Chairman W. E. Bond will preside.

At the regular February meeting, members of Edenton-Chowan Board of Education will submit plans for an administrative building. Preliminary plans for the structure to house the superintendent and other office personnel was approved recently by the board.

Cost of the 2,700-square-foot structure was estimated at more than \$50,000.

Routine reports from county agencies and other business will be transacted at the meeting.

## Deadline Nearing For Tags, Listing

Two annual winter deadlines are rapidly approaching for area citizens, and those in counties across North Carolina.

The first, a deadline for listing property for the purpose of taxes, arrives Friday in Chowan County. Property owners who do not list in their respective township face a late listing penalty.

Sherlon Layton, tax supervisor, said in the Edenton Township, listing will continue at the tax office. The office is open from 9 A. M., to 5 P. M., weekdays and 9 A. M., to 12 noon on Saturdays.

The second, a deadline for purchase of state and local license tags, arrives at midnight February 15.

Mrs. Goldie L. Niblett, contract agent for the Department of Motor Vehicles, said the sale of tags is running behind here because of the recent bad weather. This is the case throughout North Carolina.

Mrs. Niblett said the 1968 tags must be displayed by midnight February and her office closes in the afternoon. She encouraged vehicle owners to purchase their tags prior to the last week in order to avoid the rush for tags as the deadline approaches.

Town of Edenton tags are purchased at the Municipal Building, across from Mrs. Niblett's office.



**LAUNCH FUNDS CAMPAIGN**—Rudolph Dale, president of the Chowan County Heart Association, is shown with Mrs. Clarence Britton, Heart Fund Chairman, as they launch the fund's annual campaign here. Several activities are planned in the community during February, which is "Heart Health Month."

**PROMOTED AT BANK**—Two veteran employees at Peoples Bank & Trust Company here have recently been promoted. William H. Bunch has been named cashier, replacing George Hoskins, who has retired. Mrs. Evelyn B. Keeter fills Bunch's spot as assistant cashier.

## Peoples Bank Promotes Employees

William H. Bunch and Mrs. Evelyn Bunch Keeter have been given promotions at Peoples Bank & Trust Company here.

R. Graham White, executive vice president and trust officer, said Bunch has been promoted to cashier and Mrs. Keeter has been named assistant cashier.

Bunch moves into the position recently left vacant by the retirement of George Hoskins. Mrs. Keeter replaces Bunch as assistant cashier.

Bunch, an employee at the bank for more than four years, is a native of Edenton, the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Bunch, and graduated from John A. Holmes High School. He attended Chowan College and the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. He has completed four American Institute of Bank-

ing courses and two years at the Carolina School of Banking.

The new cashier is active in church, social, civic and community activities. He is a Sunday School teacher at Edenton Baptist Church and an active member of the Varsity Club, Jaycees and is a director of Edenton Chamber of Commerce.

He is an official of Chowan County Unit, American Cancer Society.

Bunch is married and the father of two boys.

Mrs. Keeter is in her 12th year with the bank. She is a native of Chowan County, being the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Bunch, Sr. She is married to Fred E. Keeter and they have six children.

The Keeters are members of Edenton Baptist Church.

## Heart Campaign Leaders Selected

The Chowan County Heart Fund campaign begins today and will continue through the month of February, according to Rudolph Dale, president.

Mrs. Clarence Britton, Heart Fund chairman, reports a number of activities scheduled during the month.

The two major events will be a variety show and the observance of Heart Sunday February 25th.

Mrs. Britton and Mrs. L. F. Amburn, Jr., are co-chairmen for the variety show. Co-chairmen for Heart Sunday are Mrs. Scott Harrell and Mrs. George A. Byrum.

Other activity chairmen announced by Mrs. Britton, are: business day solicitation, C. A. Benson; special gifts, Mrs. Earl Goodwin; poster chairman, Dale; and balloon and tag day, Mrs. Herbert Hollowell, chairman, assisted by her daughter, Fran and Martha Jo.

Rural directors are Mrs. Albert Ward and Mrs. C. B. White and for Negro communities, Mrs. Robert Bembry.

Mrs. Britton reminded that "heart diseases kill more than one million Americans yearly, being responsible for 54 per cent of all deaths. They afflict about 22 million living Americans. No individual," she said.