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The Public Parade

More Than Looks

Elsewhere on this page is an artist's rendering of the new Chowan Hospital. Pretty isn't it?

There will be those who meander along The Public Parade who will fret because the design is traditional rather than Colonial. At the outset we would encourage these critics to be more concerned with what goes on behind the brick and mortar than the outside appearance.

The building committee, trustees, administrator and architect explored numerous possibilities before settling on this plan. It just wasn't in the cards for Chowan Hospital to be of Colonial design and be anywhere within reason of functionalism.

Colonial Williamsburg has a hospital now which will make this one look like an antique from the outside. This is sufficient evidence to convince us the planners are more concerned about the inside than the outside. And so should you.

A Chance To Feel Good

The value of Edenton Little Theater's contribution to this community has never been properly recognized. The role this volunteer theatrical group plays in the cultural scheme of things along The Public Parade is nothing to be taken lightly.

Edenton Little Theater hasn't developed over the past five years. It was born grown. From the first production skilled hands have guided every aspect of the theater, from collecting properties to directing and producing challenging works of some of the country's greatest playwrights.

"Blithe Spirit", Noel Coward's sophisticated comedy in three acts is no exception to the rule established at the outset.

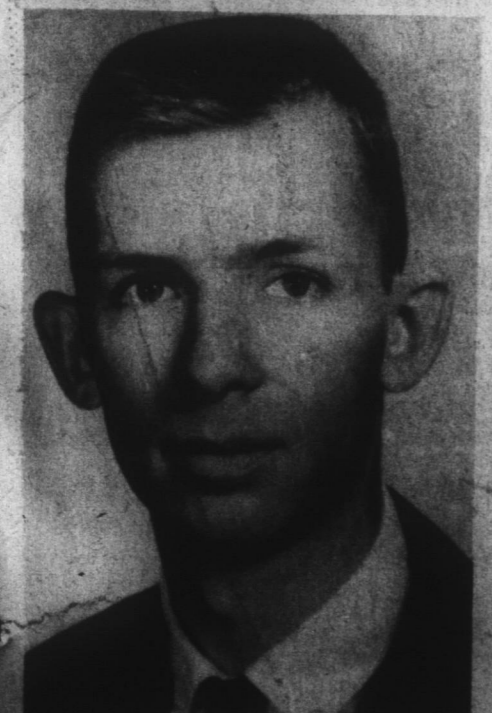
Again this year, members of the cast, technical crews, etc., have demonstrated their unselfish desire to share with as many people in the community as humanly possible a glimpse of "big time" theatrics. This is done via full-scale dress rehearsals for students in Edenton-Chowan Schools.

If not a single person shows up tonight (Thursday) and Friday for the regular performances the efforts of this group

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Jenkins Accepts State Jaycee Post

James B. (Jim) Jenkins of Edenton has accepted the position of executive vice president of North Carolina Jaycees. He will assume his new duties in Ashe-



James B. Jenkins



ON STAGE—The cast for Edenton Little Theater's presentation of Noel Coward's "Blithe Spirit" are shown here just prior to a dress rehearsal Tuesday afternoon for students at John A. Holmes High School. Seated are, left to right, Mrs. Marguerite Lassiter and Miss Mary Irving. Standing, in same order, are: Frank Palumbo, Mrs. Nelle Jones, John Becker, Mrs. Audrey Walker and Mrs. Jane Holmes. The play will be presented Thursday and Friday nights in Holmes School auditorium. Curtain time is 8 P. M.

Area Fine Arts Activities Discussed

Strengthening of the Fine Arts Committee of Albemarle Area Development Association was proposed here Tuesday during a routine swap-shop meeting held

at Edenton Restaurant.

Mrs. Thomas Cheers of Chowan Arts Council suggested that the area newsletter be revived in an effort to limit the number of conflicts.

Stamps At Branch

Participants in the food stamp program will begin purchasing their stamps at the North Edenton Branch of Peoples Bank & Trust Company next week. The stamps will not be available to the main office downtown.

George W. Lewis, executive vice president, said the switch in purchase locations is expected to assist those who participate in the program.

Food stamps will be on sale at the North Edenton Branch only from 9 A. M., to 1 P. M., and 2:30 P. M., to 4 P. M., Monday, Tuesday and Thursday; and 9 A. M., to 12 noon on Wednesday. No stamps will be sold on Friday.

Mrs. T. P. Brinn, committee chairman, agreed such a move would be desirable but said the committee's base would have to be expanded in order to make it practical. At this point it was reported that the committee actually reports to the AADA and has no authority to set up a permanent organization.

Those in attendance agreed steps should be taken to strengthen the area-wide program and build better lines of communications.

Mrs. Brinn was instructed to express the feelings of this committee at the executive level of AADA.

Many in attendance were unaware of many programs that are available through the N. C. Arts Council and other agencies. This was considered due to lack of communication and coordination of activities between counties.

Mrs. Mary Partin, coordinator of Arts and Humanities program in Edenton-Chowan Schools, sparked the lively discussion with a report on what had been accomplished here in little more than a year.

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boro on December 1.

Jenkins has been area representative for Retail Credit Company for the past five years. He was responsible for the firm's activities in Chowan, Perquimans and Gates counties.

North Carolina Jaycees have headquarters in Asheboro. A new \$100,000 building is currently under construction.

As executive vice president of the civic organization, Jenkins will be agent for Miss North Carolina and coordinate activities between local clubs and the state organization as well as state activities with national.

"I am deeply appreciative of what Edenton Jaycees have done for me and certainly hate to leave this area," he said recently. "However, the challenge of the new job is more than I can turn down."

North Carolina Jaycees now have 210 clubs throughout the state with a membership totaling nearly 10,500.

Jenkins has been one of the local club's most active members. He served as secretary and second vice president before being elected area vice president, a position he presently holds.

He, his wife, Jeanette, and two children, plan to move to Asheboro in the near future.

Chowan Hospital Plans Move Ahead

Construction of the new 61-bed Chowan Hospital was virtually assured this week with announcement of federal and state grants and the authorization for Chowan County to sell hospital bonds.

The local project was granted \$600,000 from the federal government and an additional \$108,000 from state funds. This coupled with the \$1-million in bonds approved by Chowan voters is considered to be sufficient to build and equip the facility.

W. E. Bond, chairman, Chowan County Board of Commissioners, and Jesse L. Harrell, chairman, Chowan Hospital Board of Trustees have discussed with the Local Government Commission plans to proceed immediately to sell the bonds.

Some months ago the county board passed a resolution authorizing the existing hospital board to build and equip the hospital for the county. While Chowan Hospital now is a private, non-profit corporation, it will become a county facility once the new hospital is completed.

Thomas Surratt, hospital administrator, said everyone connected with the hospital is elated over the generous grants from both the federal government and state agencies. "Money now available fits within the framework of the existing budget," he announced.

Plans for the hospital, to be built on a 25-acre tract on Highway 32, just west of Chowan Medical Center, have been approved by the hospital board and are in the hands of Medical Care Commission and U. S. Public Health Service.

Courses At Lab

Mrs. Anne Britt, coordinator of services at the Learning Resources Center here, has announced new hours for the facility.

The center will be open in Swain School from 8:30 A. M., to 4 P. M., and 6:30 P. M., to 9:30 P. M., on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday; and from 8:30 A. M., to 12 noon on Friday.

Mrs. Britt said the center will be closed next Thursday and Friday for the Thanksgiving holidays.

This adult education facility is a branch of the College of the Albemarle. There are nearly 100 different courses of study local citizens can take at the center, progressing at their own speed.

Additional courses are being added to the curriculum and are of interest to adults in the community. Mrs. Britt said she will be available during the above mentioned hours to discuss these courses with any interested person.

Election Planned

An election for selecting a supervisor of the Albemarle Soil and Water Conservation District from Chowan County will be held December 6. The person elected will serve for three years, beginning January 1, 1969.

Lloyd C. Bunch, Route 1, Edenton, chairman of the district supervisors, is a candidate for re-election. The other person seeking the supervisor's position is Sanford Bass, Route 1, Edenton.

All qualified voters can cast their ballots in this election at one of the following places:

ASCS office, Edenton; Leary Bros. Storage Co., Edenton; Earl Smith's Store, Rocky Hock; Troy Toppin's Store, Cross Roads; M&R Service Center, Center Hill; and Perry Service Station, Cannon Ferry.

Atwood Skinner & Associates of Wilson, architects for the project, have informed Surratt that the current schedule calls for advertising for bids in December with the awarding of contracts by January 15, 1969. Construction would be expected to start within 30 days with completion set for 18 months later.

The project is a result of a Long Range Planning Report made in January, 1966, by the Department of Hospital Administration, School of Medicine, University of North Carolina in Chapel Hill.

The plan projected the community needs to be a 60-bed acute patient hospital expandable to 75 beds within a

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Bunch Chairman

Lloyd C. Bunch, Route 1, Edenton, Tuesday night was elected chairman, Northeastern Area, N. C. Association Soil & Water Conservation Districts. More than 400 attended the 13th annual meeting held at Jaycee Community Building on Base Road.

Bunch is immediate past president of the state association and one of the state's most widely acclaimed workers in conservation.

Curtis Martin of the Pitt District was named vice chairman and Al B. Etheridge of the Albemarle District, secretary-treasurer.

The Northeastern Area covers 19 counties in 12 districts.

State Sen. George Wood of Camden

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James E. Cozzens

James Edward Cozzens, 1008 North Broad Street, died unexpectedly at his home at 2:15 P. M., Sunday. He was 47.

Mr. Cozzens was owner of N. C. Sales Company and had resided here for the past 25 years.

A native of Chowan County, he was the son of the late William I. and Ida Cozzens. His marriage was to the former Juanita Hayman, who survives.

In addition to his wife, survivors are one son, Mark, of Edenton; two daughters: Miss Gail Cozzens of Edenton; and Mrs. Jimmie Sammons of Los Angeles, Calif.; and three sisters: Mrs. Ada Barringer of Edenton; Mrs. Leroy Jolly of Norfolk, Va.; and Miss Judy Cozzens of Los Angeles, Calif.

He was a member of Edenton Baptist Church and a veteran of World War II.

Funeral services were held at 2 P. M., Tuesday in Colonial Community Chapel with Rev. R. N. Carroll in charge. Burial was in Beaver Hill Cemetery.

Palbearers were: Bill Cozart, Clyde Hollowell, Jack Jordan, Randy Copeland, Mack Rogerson and E. L. Hollowell.

Colonial Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.



SHARE PROJECT NOTES—Principals at Tuesday's swap-shop meeting of the Fine Arts Committee of Albemarle Area Development Association are shown here looking at a poster advertising the annual concert of Albemarle Choral Society, a committee project. Left to right are: Mrs. Jean Griffin of Hatteras, Mrs. Frances Ingls of Edenton, Mrs. Mary Brinn and Mrs. Lucille Winslow, both of Hatteras. Mrs. Ingls is committee chairman while Mrs. Ingls and Mrs. Winslow are members of the R. C. Arts Council.