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Jublic Parade

Congratulations To Bill; Thanks To Jack

We want to be among the first along the Public Parade to congratulate Bill Bunch on his promotion to manager of the Mount Olive branch of First National Bank of Eastern North Carolina. There is a little humor involved which we wish to share with you.

Nat Jones is the public relations director for First National. He is more prolific with PR releases than ads, however.

So, when the announcement of Bill's promotion came postage due we couldn't help but call it to the attention of Jack Harris, local manager. The next morning we received a check from Jack for the 18 cents we paid to get Bill's picture and Nat's story.

We thought it only fair, though, that since it cost lack at least 25 cents to write the check, plus postage, he should have it back. That's how we happen to have a savings account at First National.

Re-Discovering Objectivity

Vice President Agnew, following on the heels of President Nixon, is at present more interested in coming to the aid of Republican candidates than coming to the aid of the country He will soon appear in Raleigh.

Last week we received a memo from the campaign office of our least favored candidate for Congress in the First District. He stated he had made a survey and found all newspapers in the district fair to him, save one. After prior personal attacks on this writer, we knew it was the weekly circulated along the Public Parade. The candidate said he wanted the First District press to have special treatment when the vice president came calling.

Now we find we are not the only newspaper on the candidate's black list. Our least favored morning daily of general circulation in Eastern North Carolina has joined us. (Politics do so often make such strange bedfellows!)

The candidate claims a Monday story about the Jones-Everett race was inaccurate, unfair, etc. Although it may make his wife and children cry and give him a set-back, we disagree.

It is almost uncanny the way the circumstances developed. We had just composed a letter to Roy Parker, Jr., Washington Bureau chief for the offending daily, to congratulate him on re-discovering objectivity. He has been accused of being objective from time to time but to our knowledge has never been convicted

Had the GOP candidate not been sidelined by an untimely heart attack our guess is that he would have gotten no more than 25 per cent of the vote. Now his stock may rise through sympathy votes, etc. Therefore, he could reach the 33.8 per cent garnered by Reece Gardner in his battle with Rep. Walter

Rep. Jones has represented this district well. Because of this the opposition is Continued on Page 4

Checks Keep Coming—Thomas M. Surratt, administrator of Chowan Hospital, is shown in a familiar pose—accepting money from civic organizations for equipment at the new \$2-million facility. Mrs. Lena M. Leary presents a check with Mrs. Ed Bass looking on. The Edenton BPW Club donated funds for the purchase of a special examining table for the nursery. The presentation coincided with National BPW Week.

Lunch Price Boost Voted

Difficulty in maintaining a good lunchroom program has been anticipated by the Edenton-Chowan Board of Education with a projected loss of over \$4,000 for the 1971-1972 school year.

To bring a little slack in the projection the board approved the motion that all elementary lunch prices be raised to 30 cents and all teacher lunches be raised. to 50 cents to cover the cost of a lunch at 49.2 cents per plate.

Also effective on January 1, 1971, is

Music Workshop

School teachers and supervisors in this area will go back to school Saturday in the John A. Holmes High School gymnasium. They will be attending a workshop on the N. C. Little Symphony.

The workshop will be conducted by Adeline McCall, who has headed the Children's Concert Division of the N. C. Little Symphony for 25 years.

Registration begins at 10 A. M., with the workshop scheduled for from 10:30 A. M., to 1 P. M. The director will distribute materials to aid teachers in preparing students for the December visit of the Little Symphony, directed by Dr. Benjamin Swalin.

The Little Symphony visit here is sponsored by Edenton-Chowan Schools.

Her position with the organization includes selection of music to be performed, searching out recordings of the music, conducting workshops for teachers to demonstrate how they can best prepare the children for the concerts, and writing the materials which are used by teachers for reference purposes and by the students for instruction.

"The greatest thing we can do for children is to give them a love of musicparticularly looking forward to the future - insuring them some comfort and security in these times of change," she said recently.

Graham To Speak At Area Banquet

James A. Graham, N. C. Commissioner of Agriculture, will be principal speaker at a meeting here Tuesday, November 10th.

Graham will address the 15th annual



meeting of the Northeastern Area Soil and Water Conservation District Supervisors to be held at 6:30 P. M., at the Edenton Jaycee Building. The Northeastern Area is composed of 19 Northeastern North Carolina counties.

District Chairman Lloyd C. Bunch of Chowan County, said the public is invited to attend the meeting and hear Graham speak. Tickets for the event are available from the county supervisors; H. Fahey Byrum, Joe A. Webb and Mr. Bunch or from George Lewis and the Soil Conservation Service Office located in the basement of the U.S. Post Office. Tickets must be purchased by Monday, November 2.

The purpose of the 15th annual event is to stimulate interest and promote the Soil and Water Conservation District Program throughout our area. Bunch says: "We want everyone interested in the future of our country to attend, farmers, business people, county, town and community leaders. We are looking for a good turnout as usual to continue our reputation of putting on the best area meeting in North Carolina."

the policy to give everyone desiring free lunches, free lunches. If someone wants a free lunch and the board feels they do not qualify for one, the person can appeal the judgment. If the person still feels they desire a free lunch they are given one until the board can prove in court they do not qualify for free lunches.

Other action taken by the board of education included:

A teacher-student holiday is set for October 30 so all Edenton-Chowan teachers can attend a district teachers' meet-

A request from William Lewis to use the ballpark and Hicks Field for little league ball games was heard. The board did not take any action on this until they could talk with Cecil Fry, principal at John A. Holmes High, to see if it would interfere with the school athletic programs. Dr. J. H. Horton is also going to work with Lewis in obtaining more details on the little league program to present to the board at a later time.

Resigned from the school system is Mrs. Naomi Tillett to join her husband in Raleigh. Taking her place is Mrs. Phyllis Lane. Mrs. Tillett left Swain Elementary School.

Water, Sewer Work Under Contract

Edenton water and sewer bonds will be

opened at 11 A. M., Tuesday and the

project will officially be under contract

said Caldwell Tanks, Inc., of Louisville,

Ky., submitted the low bid of \$211,395

on the new elevated water tank to be

erected on Twiddy Avenue, near West

Albemarle Street. This was the final

Gardner said Department of Housing &

As of June 30, 1970, the town's out-

Bids on the bonds are being accepted

Course Scheduled

The Edenton Employment Security

Commission has received approval of a

training course under the Manpower De-

velopment Training Act in farm equip-

ment mechanic and operator. This course

will begin on November 2 and will run

ton at 709 North Broad Street.

for participation in this program.

The training will be offered in Eden-

There will be a training allowance paid

Training will be 40 hours a week,

Monday through Friday, and will consist

of two hours a day of basic education

and six hours a day of shop and class-

There are good possibilities for em-

ployment in this field of work, according

to Neil Thagard, ESC manager.

standing bonded indebtedness was \$340,-

000 in sanitary sewer bonds.

Urban Development had informed the town of approval of the contracts as of

bidding on the project.

W. B. Gardner, town administrator,

Friday.

Friday.

for 16 weeks.

room instruction.

Freeway Endorsed

MYRTLE BEACH, S. C.-Gov. Bob Scott told an estimated 500 persons here Monday he is convinced that a proposed coastal corridor highway linking Norfolk, Va., to Savannah, Ga., "is of critical importance to the economic development of our coastal plains and coastal area."

A similar response was heard from South Carolina Gov. Robert E. McNair during the East Coast Highway Conference in Convention Center.

Gov. Scott reviewed avenues of financing the highway, noting that the states were committed to a governmental partnership in highway construction. "The challenge at all levels of concern during the next few months must be on

Walker Is Tough **Violators** With

Fines of over \$5,800 were levied against 19 persons for violating state liquor laws in Chowan County District Court on Tuesday with Judge Wilton F. Walker presiding.

The conviction of these 19 persons was possible through the work of three undercover agents for the State ABC office. An undercover campaign was held for approximately three months and the warrants were issued on October 2 to the parties violating the law.

Each defendant was sentenced to six months in the Chowan County jail suspended for five years upon payment of the fine and costs and not to violate any ABC laws for five years.

Convicted of possession of whiskey, possession for sale, and sale and their fines were:

Emma Chesson, \$100 fine and costs; Sarah Cooper, \$400 fine and costs for three counts; William Douglas, \$300 fine for two counts; William Henry Gordon, \$300 fine for two counts; Joe Hoggard, \$750 fine for three counts.

Annie Louise Holley, \$500 fine for two counts, she appealed; Alfred "Fats" Elliott, \$550 fine for three counts; Emma Brown, \$100 fine for one count; Arthur Gordon, \$400 fine for two counts; Evelyn Gordon, \$150 fine for one count.

Eugenia Harris, \$450 fine for three counts; Art Miller Leary, \$350 fine for three counts; Celia Rawls, \$150 fine for one count; Lillian Smith White, \$550 fine for three counts.

William Jake Stallings, \$750 fine for four counts; Maggie Stanley, \$150 fine for one count; and Louise Taylor, \$150 fine for one count.

Sealed bids on \$600,000 in Town of by the Local Government Commission in Raleigh.

Chapel Dedication Set

Bandon Chapel at Arrowhead Beach will have a service of dedication and the laying of the cornerstone at 2:30 P. M., Sunday. Rev. Thurman Allred, former pastor of Rocky Hock Baptist Church, will deliver the message.

the decision-making process in Washingtion, he said.

"The success or failure of a coastal corridor rests to a lairge extent on the continued interest and support of people such as you at this gat hering." He called on the audience, representing business and civic interests from Maryland to Georgia, to a "commitme int to follow up on this program and to et fectively represent our needs to the na tional administration and to the Cong. ress."

Those present for the con ference unanimously adopted a resolution noting the urgency of the coastal corri for highway in terms of economic development and "strongly recommending the e arliest construction" of the highway.

The resolution also petitions the governors of North Carolina, South Carolina, Delaware, Virginia, Maryland, Florida and Seorgia to accelerate planning and construction and calls on the Secre tary of Transportation to authorize the rou te and provide special funds through the C pastal Plains Regional Commission.

Several public figures from Mary, and through Georgia presented testimony in Continued on Page 4



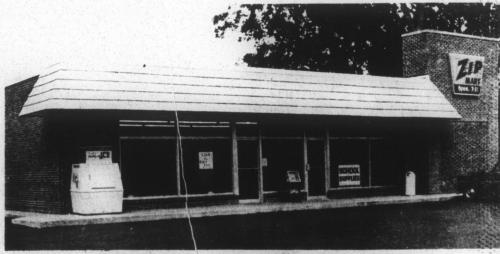
Proposed East Coast Freeway

Seminar On Drugs

The College of the Albemarle is sponsoring a public seminar on the subject of drug abuse on Tuesday at 8 P. M., at the Municipal Building.

Roy Epps of the SBI and vice-chairman of the N. C. Legislative Study Commission on the Use of Illegal and Harmful Drugs will be the speaker and answer questions. He will deal with the problem in North Carolina and more particularly as it applies to Eastern North Carolina.

This is an additional opportunity for the people of Edenton to learn of this vital problem. The seminar is being promoted through the Continuing Education Department of COA and the public is strongly urged to attend.



Convenience Grocery Having Grand Opening

Zip Mart Opens New Edenton Store

Grand Opening is being observed this week at a new Edenton business--Zip Mart on North Broad Street. This is one of 20 stores in Eastern North Carolina and Virginia.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Robbins manage the store and are assisted by Leo LaVoie.

The local store is owned by Robert Windham and Sam Lee of Rocky Mount. Lee states he has wanted a Zip Mart in Edenton for a long time since he feels this is an outstanding community. He

and Windham says they welcome the opportunity to become a part of this growing area.

Zip Mart is a convenience store. It is open from 7 A. M., to 11 P. M., seven days a week. The firm builds its business on quick sales. It's a quick in and out store, carrying over 3 000 items.

Mayo Boddie of Rocky Mount started the chain in 1967, realizing the need for this type operation which stresses, friendliness, cleanliness and freshness.