



# THE CHOWAN HERALD

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## Public Parade

### Legislative Summary

We know of no one more qualified to report on the 1976 session of the N. C. General Assembly than Rep. Jay Huskins (D-Iredell). In his Down In Iredell column of the Statesville Record & Landmark he wrote the following legislative summary. We share it with those who meander along the Public Parade:

After a weekend in which to tie things together, it is now possible to summarize what the legislature did during the mini-session which came to a close last Friday.

Incidentally, as the weeks wore on it became obvious to many that the term "mini" did not describe the length of the session as much as the amount of input by the average member.

It was a session tightly controlled from the top, and only those members who served on three active committees — appropriation, insurance and utilities — had much of an opportunity to influence the result. We had the good fortune of being assigned to appropriations and utilities.

All told, the legislature appropriated \$3.4-billion for the operation of the state during fiscal 1976-77, up from \$2.9-billion in fiscal 1974-75.

The operating budget was increased by almost \$110-million, while the capital budget was cut by \$7.9-million and special appropriations by \$2.144-million.

The approximately \$99-million net increase in 1976-77 general fund appropriations was made possible as a result of a \$67.5-million "windfall" in withholding taxes, \$7.7-million increase in other tax revenue, \$10-million from the sale of utilities at Chapel Hill, \$4.065-million in

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## Jobs Program Is Approved

The Comprehensive Employment and Training Act (CETA) Summer Program has been approved by the N. C. Office of Employment and Training with an allocation of \$287,312 awarded the 10-county Albemarle Area. This is a sizeable cut from the 1975 allocation.

There will be a total of 369 enrollee slots and six summer counselor slots for the area.

Job applications have been placed in the Economic Resource Centers and the schools in each of the 10 counties. The age requirement is 14-21 years and those applying for the enrollee positions have to be of the economically disadvantaged classification.

Those applying for the counselor positions must have completed at least two years of college training.

All applications must be completed and left at the Economic Resource Centers or schools by June 4. All applications completed after the date will not be processed.

For further information you may call the Manpower Office at 462-4465.



**PROMOTE SENIOR CITIZENS WEEK**—Mayor Roy L. Harrell is shown with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Loney Harrell, as he proclaims May 23-29 as Senior Citizens Week in the Town of Edenton. Local citizens are urged to participate in the observance.

## Month Honors Senior Citizens

The Month of May has been nationally designated as 'Senior Citizens' Month. The Chairman of the Chowan Commissioners, C. A. Phillips, and the Mayor of Edenton, Roy Harrell, are proclaiming the week of May 24-29, as Senior Citizens' Week in Chowan County and Edenton.

The Senior Citizens of Chowan County and Edenton are asked to participate in a "Park Out" on May 26 from 5-7 P.M. at Colonial Park at the end of Broad Street.

Those persons in need of transportation are asked to call 482-4564, the Chowan EIC Resource Center, between the hours of 8:30 A.M. and 5 P.M. This activity is open to all senior citizens ages 55 years and over.

Those who wish may bring a cover dish of food to share. Every one is asked to bring his own tableware.

## Hollowell Heads State Jaycees

Joe Hollowell was elected president of the N. C. Jaycees, Saturday, becoming the first man from Edenton and Chowan County to take that post. Hollowell's victory came during the Jaycee's convention held in Fayetteville with delegates from their 345 chapters attending.

Hollowell defeated Woody Copeland of Edenton who had been endorsed by the local Jaycees.

He attributed his successful bid to "a positive campaign and a lot of hard work by a lot of people."

Hollowell summed up the thrust of his campaign saying, "We want the North Carolina Jaycees to recognize that as young men, we can change people's lives and make this a better place in which to live."

"Our goal is to provide the motivation for these men to take a more active role in the improvement of our community."

Heading the Hollowell campaign were Wayne Ashley and Ray Ward of Perquimans County Jaycees, the sponsoring chapter of his nomination. The effort was backed with manpower from Jaycee groups in Ahoskie, Washington, Columbia, and Henderson.

He succeeds Jim Morgan of

High point, as head of the state Jaycee organization. Vice presidents serving with Hollowell are Chuck Bradley of Brevard, Lee Shillito of Hickory, and John Fletcher of Concord.

As the general theme of all Jaycee work remains the same, building better communities through building better people, Hollowell said that a successful administration depends on continuity.

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Joe Hollowell

## Death Claims Mr. Twiddy

Franklin Earl Twiddy, 123 Morris Circle, died May 13 in Chowan Hospital. He was 54.

Mr. Twiddy was retired from the Edenton Post Office and was a sign painter and photographer. He was a volunteer fireman with Edenton Fire Department for a number of years.

A native of Washington County, he was the son of the late David and Frances Sawyer Twiddy. He was married to Mrs. Leone Rose Twiddy, who survives.

Also surviving are two sons: William E. Twiddy of Rocky Mount; and David R. Twiddy of Edenton; a brother: Worth Twiddy of Norfolk, Va.; three sisters: Mrs. E. C. Alexander of Edenton; Mrs. W.L. Sawyer of Winfall; and Mrs. Della Coburn of Chesapeake, Va.; and three grandchildren.

Pallbearers were: Luther Parks, Charlie Swanner, W. A. Crumme, Bertram Byrum, J. C. Parks and Joe Swanner. Honorary pallbearers were firemen.

Funeral services were held at 3 P.M. Friday in Williford-Barham Funeral Chapel with Dr. Robert E. Gray officiating. Burial was in Beaver Hill Cemetery.

## Rural Electric Loan Approved

Rep. Walter B. Jones has announced the approval by the Rural Electrification Administration of a loan of \$429,000 to the Albemarle Electric Membership Corporation of Hertford.

The loan will be repaid at a rate of five per cent interest. The corporation will obtain a supplemental financing from the National Rural Utilities Cooperative Finance Corp.

The corporation serves Chowan, Camden, Currituck, Pasquotank, and Perquimans counties and will use these funds to finance services for 430 additional consumers, 21 miles of distribution line, and various systems improvements.

## Coastal Lands Designated

NEW BERN—Eight categories of coastal land have been declared "interim areas of environmental concern" by the N. C. Coastal Resources Commission.

The commission, at a meeting last week designated the areas for special surveillance and protection under the 1974 Coastal Land Management Act.

The designations by the commission culminated a two-year planning process and marked a major step in the evolution of a state-local planning and development process that is supposed to control development along the coast and protect fragile ecosystems like dunes and marshes.

The interim areas include nearly all of the Outer Banks

barrier islands and all of the land directly adjacent to sounds and estuaries along the coast.

Starting in August, anyone wishing to develop land in those areas will have to file a written notice with the commission. After a year, the commission will designate the permanent areas and a permit will be required for any development within them.

In the meantime, the commission will monitor the pace of development in the protected areas and will work to put together accurate maps of the land involved.

That category takes in almost all of the low-lying land along the state's beaches, since it generally is affected by a major storm.

**BY-PASS PICTORIAL**—At left is the nearly completed Paradise Road over-pass on which work has stopped. As workmen returned to the U. S. 17 by-pass project last week the gravel storage area became smaller with only a portion of the mound of stone remaining, as shown in the center picture. The fencing contractor was back at work near the Albemarle Street over-pass, as is evidenced by the truck in the foreground.



**BACK AT WORK**—Workmen are pictured as they work on a portion of the by-pass near Pembroke Creek. Work resumed last week.



**CROSSING PEMBROKE CREEK**—Work has begun on the bridge over Pembroke Creek which had delayed completion of the U. S. 17 by-pass. This picture was taken looking east toward the creek.

## Work Resumes On By-Pass

Work has resumed on the U.S. 17 by-pass project but while the construction contract is expected to be completed on time actual use of the road is not expected for another two years.

The paving contract is not to be let until around November 1, according to State Sen. J. J. (Monk) Harrington. It is estimated that it will take the greater part of two paving seasons to complete the job so the by-pass can be opened to traffic.

C. A. Phillips, chairman, Chowan County Commissioners, and W. B. Gardner, town administrator, have expressed concern over delays in the project. Following is a portion of a recent letter to Phillips from Sen. Harrington:

"I have contacted the Department of Transportation and have been informed by them that as of May 8 the current contract was approximately 80 per cent complete. I understand that Dickerson, Inc., has been working on the railroad bridge all winter while the subcontractor, Kitchen Construction Company, has been working on the bridge at Pembroke Creek. Work in the vicinity of Pembroke Creek was slowed down due to the time involved in getting a necessary permit from the U.S. Coast Guard; however, this matter has been straightened out. Also, the

contractor returned grading forces to the project a couple of weeks ago, and they were to be at work on May 10. Further, the subcontractors involved in the fencing and seeding operations were on the job and scheduled to start that work this past Tuesday, May 11.

"Department personnel have informed me that the contract completion date is November 1 and at this time it appears the contract will be completed ahead

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## Warning Issued

Skate boards and bicycles in the business district are drawing the eye of Edenton Police Department. Police Chief J. D. Parrish issued a warning that the department would tighten up on youths on skate boards and bicycles.

Chapter Six of the Town Code states that it is unlawful to operate bicycles on sidewalks in the business area. Chief Parrish said this code is being violated regularly by a number of riders and policemen are being advised to enforce the ordinance.

He said skate boards were becoming a hazard in the streets, especially on South Broad Street. "Someone is going to get hit by a car if this continues and we are issuing a warning at this time," he said.