

County Growth Plan Unveiled

By L. F. Amburn, Jr.

In 1970 it was "Impact '76". Today it is "4 Sight". Both were developed as plans to help Chowan County grow.

If the accomplishments of the latter measure up to those of the former, the Chowan County Agricultural Extension Service has a crystal ball par excellence.

The new six-year work plan, put together by the county's extension advisory board, was unveiled this morning (Thursday) at a meeting attended by leaders from throughout the community.

Superior Court Opens Monday

Judge Bradford Tillery of Wilmington will preside over a criminal term of Chowan County Superior Court which convenes here Monday at 10 A. M.

Asst. Dist. Atty. J. Richard Parker of Elizabeth City will prosecute the docket.

Forty-one cases appear on the calendar recently released by Mrs. Lena M. Leary, court clerk. Included are seven drunk driving cases, two of which involve third offense.

Two defendants—Junius Alexander Cofield and Edward Earl Leary—are charged with speed competition and William Holloman, alias Wolf, faces a charge of selling and delivering marijuana, possession of the drug and receiving stolen goods.

Mrs. John P. Bass and Joe Carroll Byrum were co-chairman of the Extension Advisory Board for Chowan County. The board included a cross-section of people in the rural and urban communities. Throughout the state some 10,000 volunteers participated in the development of 100 county plans.

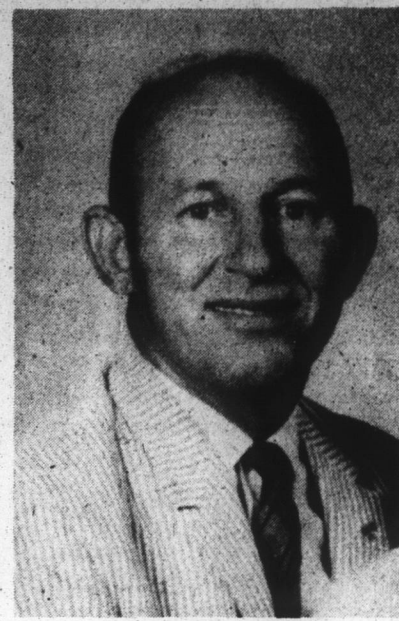
"The Chowan County Extension Advisory Board feels that the plans thus made have involved all segments of our population," it is stated in the forward. "This will result in increased agricultural, economic and industrial progress; improved environment and a better quality of life for Chowan County citizens."

Included in projections for the next six years is a 9 per cent increase in farm income. Across the state the anticipated increase ranges from 2 per cent in Davie County to 91 per cent in Bertie County, where Perdue Farms is making a significant impact.

In the "Impact '76" plan the Chowan group envisioned establishment of a county-wide water system, a solid waste disposal system, increased farm income and improved family life.

Pete Thompson, county extension chairman, said Chowan

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Lt. Col. H. E. Bass

Death Claims H. E. Bass

Lt. Col. H. E. Bass, USAF, Ret., died Thursday in Bethesda Naval Hospital. He was 56, resided on West Queen Street and was chairman of the Chowan County Republican Party.

Col. Bass was a native of Chowan County, born February 19, 1920, the son of Herbert V. Bass and the late Artie White Bass. He was married to Mrs. Lola Allan Bass.

In addition to his father and wife, surviving are three sons: William E. Bass of Redondo Beach, Calif.; James H. Bass of Richmond, Va.; and Robert L. Bass of Edenton; a brother, Leonard Bass of Edenton; a sister, Mrs. Artie Ange of Manteo; and eight grandchildren.

Herbert Edward (Ed) Bass was a member of Edenton Baptist

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Child Center Will Close February 25

The Child Development Center at Chowan High School, operated by Chowan County Department of Social Services for the past 16 months, will close permanently February 25 because of lack of participation.

Ronald M. Huffman, DSS director, said the county board had determined that enrollment does not justify the expenditure. Presently there are 13 children participating in the day care program with five staff members.

The program, which includes a transportation element, is funded at the \$62,000 level.

White Huffman pointed out there is a definite need for such a facility in Chowan County, the Title 20 guidelines limited participation by two-income families; therefore the number of children who could be certified was below the level necessary to make the project here feasible.

The peak enrollment was 26 children during the summer months.

The Child Development Center (whose location Huffman said further hampered its success) was started as a joint venture by Albemarle Human Resources Development System and Edenton-Chowan School. With the establishment of the Title 20 program the county welfare department assumed operation of the program in September, 1975.

Huffman said some of the families of children now participating in the program would be inconvenienced. He added that the program has been serving a need but the greatest need for a day care program here is one in which two-income families can participate.

The program was designed to provide quality care for pre-kindergarten children with working parents. "It has not been a baby-sitting service," he said.

At the same time, he said, the fact that the program has not been able to succeed in Chowan County "has been a great disappointment to us."

Listing Deadline

February 3 is the deadline to list your property for taxes without facing a penalty, according to Dallas Jethro, Jr., tax collector.

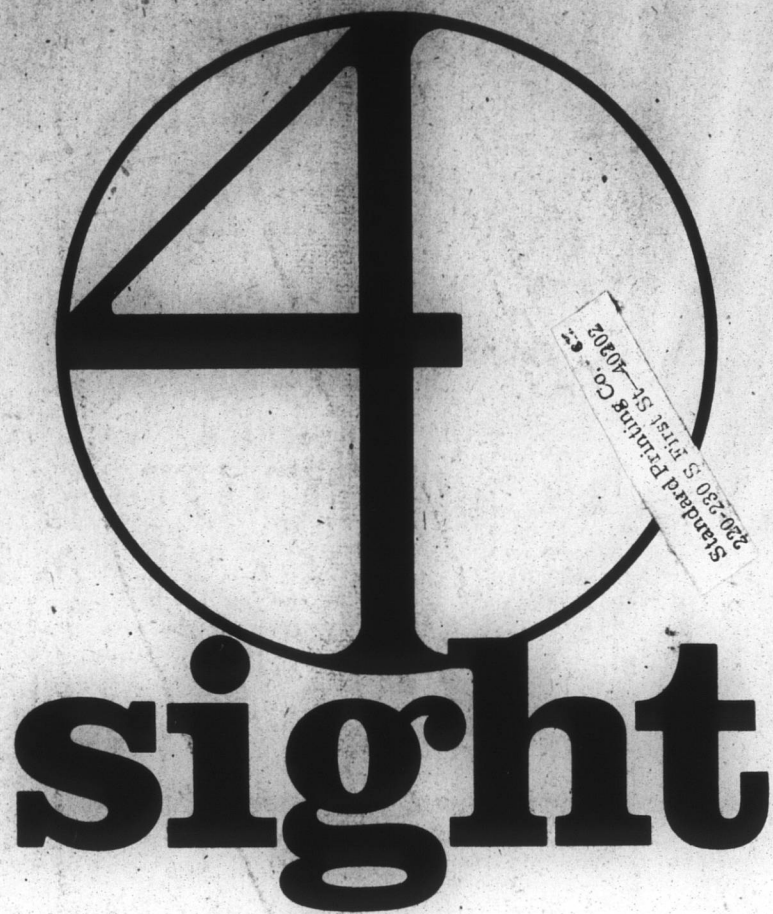
Tax listing began January 3 and after next Thursday a 10 per cent penalty will be imposed for failure to list.

Jethro said response from property owners had been exceptionally good but warned that the last minute rush produces long lines and period of waiting.

First Township listings, along with Arrowhead Beach, Chowan Beach and Cape Colony is being done in the tax office in the County Office Building. The office is open each day, Monday through Friday from 8 A.M. to 5 P.M. and on Saturday from 8 A.M. until 12 noon.

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Public Parade

New Image

Well, the grand old country has a new image in President Jimmy Carter. He has started off with a bang and those along The Public Parade who were fortunate enough to watch the entire proceedings on Thursday must have been impressed.

Our schedule didn't allow much time before the boob tube. We did get a glance of the President and his family walking down Pennsylvania Avenue from the Capitol to the White House. It gave us a particular feeling of pride.

Sure, there was risk involved. No doubt, the Secret Service would have been much happier had the Carters been encased in bullet-proof glass for a ride down the avenue. And the snobs would have been more nearly satisfied.

But Jimmy Carter, through that symbolic act, was taking the first step in trying to restore the confidence of the American people in their government, in the safety of their streets and the integrity of their leaders.

We hope he continues to defy practices that have been established in recent years. Every time he insists on carrying his own bag, that is a protest against the expensive coddling our leaders have become accustomed to. Every time he walks a short distance instead of calling for a limousine he is sending a message to the lower echelon of bureaucrats.

It is all a part of the intricate task of reviving our own self-confidence as a nation. Let the gossip columnists sneer. We applaud!

Lt. Col. H. E. Bass

Lt. Col. Herbert Edward Bass, USAF, Ret., fought his last battle Thursday. He lost. But the real loss is being felt by his family and those along the Public Parade who benefited from this humanitarian.

He died Thursday in Bethesda Naval Hospital. His comrades morn and share the loss felt by his family.

In the years we were privileged to be counted among his friends, our only disagreement was the result of his politics. But if God ever made a good Republican it had to be Ed Bass.

Most of the time the GOP conventions could be held in a closet but there is one thing for sure, Ed Bass would be there to preside. He

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Open House Set

Cape Colony Haven, Inc., will have an open house Sunday from 2 P. M. to 5 P. M. at the newly constructed intermediate care facility located off Paradise Road in Edenton.

L. F. Amburn, Jr., president, said the public is invited to attend. Light refreshments will be served. Speaking for the stockholders,

PTA Conference

The second of three planned Parent-Teacher Conference days during the 1976-77 school year has been scheduled for Monday. There will be no school for public school students on this date.

Parent Conference days are incorporated into the school calendar each year to give parents a special opportunity for discussing their child's educational programs with teachers and school personnel. This second Parent Conference day follows the end of the system's first semester grading period. A third conference day will be observed in March, mid-way through the second school semester.

Parents are urged to take advantage of this day and schedule appointments with teachers and school personnel, who will observe regular school hours between 8 A.M. and 3:30 P.M., with a 11:30 A.M. - 12:30 P.M. lunch break.

all local businessmen, Amburn said weather conditions have prohibited completion of the exterior of the \$1.4-million project. Exterior painting has not been completed, neither has the landscaping of the seven-acre site and paving.

"The facility will be fully licensed by the State Department of Human Resources and the interior is complete," he said. "The grounds work will be done as quickly as weather permits."

Cape Colony Haven is a 96-bed facility. It has taken more than three years to develop the project. There are two private rooms and the remainder are semi-private. The facility has treatment, isolation, and grooming rooms. Also there is a room of physical therapy.

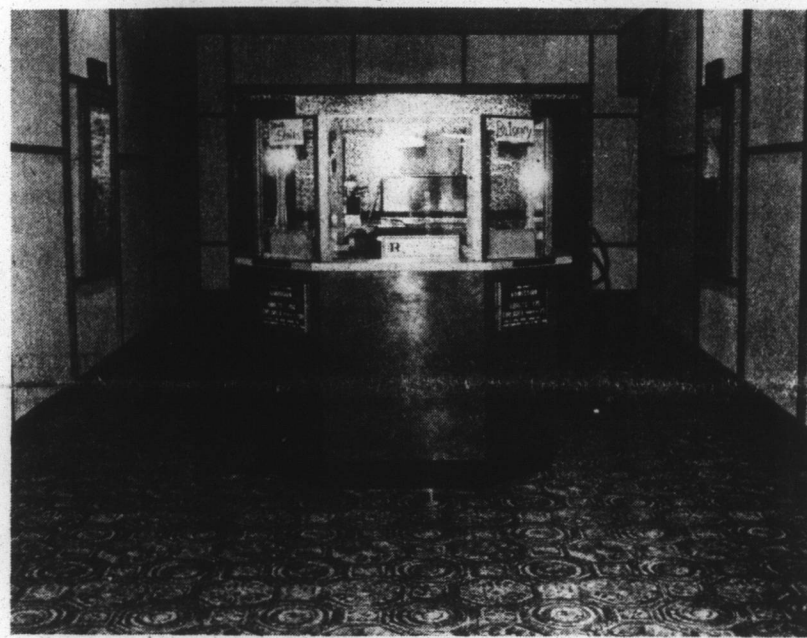
The core area has a nurses station with a nurse call system to each patient room. At the end of each of the three patient wings is a lounge.

There is a modern, well equipped kitchen which leads into a dining area which includes space for resident activity. The entrance has a cathedral ceiling and is well appointed to provide a home atmosphere.

James E. Lewis is administrator and secretary of the corporation.

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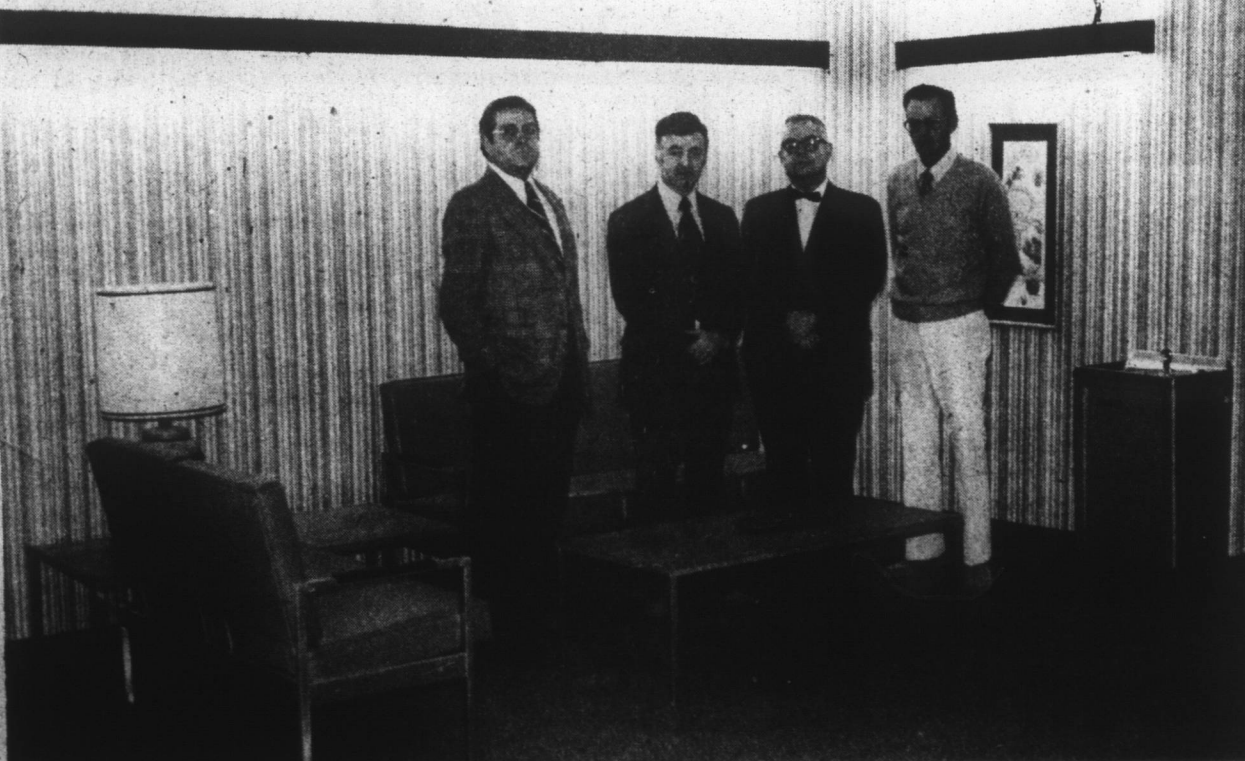
NEW LOOK — Renovations to the Taylor Theater have been completed. Among the many changes is a combination box office and concession stand in the main lobby, as well as new seats, carpeting, and wall paper throughout. An open house is scheduled next Friday, one highlights of which will be the showing of "King Kong". John Smith, manager, reported that other special activities may be planned.

Power Reduction Ended

Virginia Electric and Power Company has announced that a 5 per cent voltage reduction instituted January 17 has ended because of milder temperatures, an ease in customer demand and a return to service of major generating facilities.

Stanley Ragone, Vepco executive vice president, urged consumers to continue the conservation of energy and the elimination of non-essential uses of energy.

Ragone said, "We wish to thank all of our customers who voluntarily reduced electric usage over the past week. Vepco was able to maintain service to its customers with a minimum amount of inconvenience through their efforts."



AWAIT OPENING — The stockholders and officers of Cape Colony Haven, Inc., are pictured here in the lobby-activities area of the 96-bed intermediate care facility which opens next week off Paradise Road in Edenton. Pictured here are from left; L. F. Amburn, Jr., president; John F. Habit, vice president; John A. Mitchener, Jr., treasurer; and James E. Lewis, secretary-administrator. Open house will be observed Sunday from 2 P.M. to 5 P.M.

Scouts Award Copeland

NORFOLK, Va — Elbert H. Copeland of Edenton, N. C., was among 10 volunteer leaders of the Tidewater Council, Boy Scouts of America, who were presented the coveted Silver Beaver Awards here last week. They were honored at the council's annual recognition dinner.

The Silver Beaver Award is the highest given on the local council level.

Copeland, office manager at Chowan Veneer Company in Edenton, became chairman of Cub Pack 156 in 1958 and has been active in scouting since. He has been a scoutmaster, Explorer Post advisor and since 1969 has been assistant commissioner from the Albemarle District.

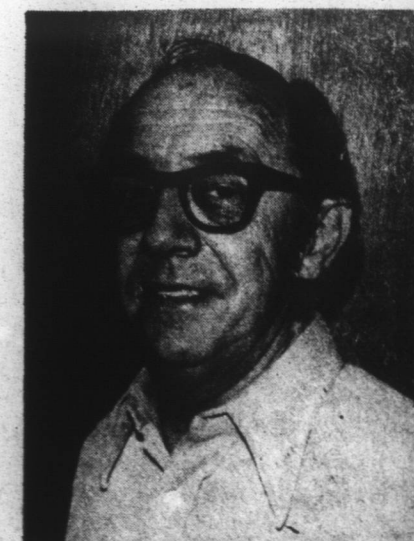
He is active in Edenton Baptist Church and is in his fifth term as a deacon. He is a charter member of Edenton Jaycees and has been adviser on scout affairs to the American Legion.

The following is taken from the banquet program:

"Elbert Copeland is an out-

standing example of service to boyhood. He gives of his time and talents freely to better the lives of the youth he continues to serve. His services to community and scouting stand high among his friends and fellow citizens."

The program was held at Scope and Dr. Daniel W. Duncan was installed as council president.



Elbert H. Copeland