



PARK PROJECT UNDERWAY — Waff Brothers, Inc., this week began moving equipment on the site of Queen Anne Park, another waterfront beautification project in Edenton. In the foreground are huge concrete and steel sections which will form the bulkhead around the site. The project is being developed with grant funds.

Public Parade

Now's The Time

The 1979 municipal election along the Public Parade will be held November 6. The deadline for candidates to file is 12-noon on October 5. Now's the time for citizens to demonstrate their dedication to public service.

Positions up for election are mayor, councilman-at-large, First Ward, councilman, Second Ward councilman, and treasurer. Like the old Board of Public Works, we do not see the necessity for a town treasurer, but so long as the position is in the charter it must be filled.

Up to this time no incumbent has filed. One candidate has put his money on the line to run for a ward position.

This election is especially important to the Town of Edenton because it is the return to ward voting which Mayor Roy L. Harrell staunchly advocated two years ago. The election on November 6 and the election in 1981 will pretty much prove, or disprove, the mayor's theory about ward voting.

The April "census" of population conducted to establish the boundary lines for the forthcoming election, pointed out that Negroes in Edenton are the majority race. In some wards the population is as much as 75 per cent in their favor. How many of them are registered voters, and how many who are registered will take the responsibility to go to the polls remains to be determined.

Nevertheless, the real question is who among the citizenry are willing to sacrifice a bit to become involved in local affairs? It certainly ain't easy, but after much conversation about the operation of local government in the past year or so there are those bitches who should become bitches.

Now's the time to come forth. The deadline is 12-noon on October 5.

Feeling Accepted

At the August 16 presentation to the judging committee of the Governor's Community of Excellency Award, one Norm Bullard distinguished himself as one of the greatest spoofers along the Public Parade.

He said he was reporting for the Tourist Committee of Edenton-Chowan Chamber of Commerce because he had only lived here three years, and a 10-year tenure was required to shed the tourist label.

Committee members laughed. So did the audience. But neither revealed whether they were laughing with or at Norm.

In six weeks we will celebrate our 15th year of residency along the Public Parade. We have never, until recently, felt comfortably about leaving our hanging clothes visible as we crossed the Chowan River when heading west.

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Rescue Squad Expands Services

The history of the Edenton-Chowan Rescue Squad dates back to 1965 when Unit No. 1 was founded with 14 volunteers and a rebuilt ambulance salvaged from Gates County. Since that time, rescue service in Chowan County has grown to include Unit No. 2 - established in Gliden and Unit No. 3 in Rocky Hock, with a total membership of 65.

In place of the one rebuilt ambulance, the rescue squad has grown to include four rescue vehicles, two crash trucks, a jeep and a boat.

Along with the expansion in equipment and personnel, the variety and quality of rescue and emergency medical service has also increased. In addition to emergency search and rescue services provided in the event of automotive, boating, drowning, aircraft, fire, or other accidents; all units are equipped to provide basic life support in the event of heart attack, poisoning, respiratory problems, falls, or other life threatening situations. Emergency medical support by the rescue squads also includes the transfer of patients to other medical facilities for further testing or more comprehensive care. Along the non-emergency line, the rescue squad provides stand-by medical service at sporting events, fairs, ski shows and other community gatherings as well as community and in-

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RESCUE SQUAD VOLUNTEERS — Murray Ashley, left, Chowan County Civil Preparedness director, is shown here with three volunteers of Edenton-Chowan Rescue Squad. They are: Marjorie Magilone, Gwyn VanDuyen and Jackie Jenkins. The squad over the years has become well equipped, but at present is short of manpower.

Public Hearings To Gauge Issues

RALEIGH — The State Goals and Policy Board will hold seven public hearings that will give North Carolina citizens a chance to talk about what they see as major issues before the state and what state government should do about them.

The first hearing was held Tuesday night in Raleigh. Monday night at 7:30 o'clock a hearing for Northeastern North Carolina residents will be held at Washington County Union School in Roper. Other hearings are set for Jacksonville, Charlotte, High Point, Wilkesboro and Cullowhee.

The State Goals and Policy Board, chaired by Gov. Jim Hunt, is the state's primary agent for getting citizens involved in the goals-setting process.

The board's major efforts have been the 1977 North Carolina

Tomorrow survey and a series of regional hearings, followed by a report of recommendations published in the fall of 1978. The recommendations formed the basis for numerous 1979 budget decisions and legislative actions, including the Balanced Growth Policy Act, the Raising a New Generation programs, and several programs for older adults.

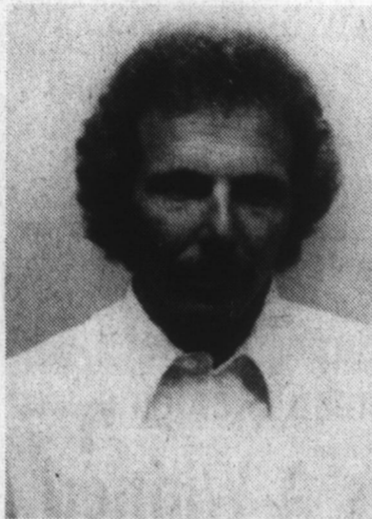
According to Gov. Hunt, this fall's hearings will be "another step in getting citizen ideas on how to make North Carolina a better place to live."

"Based on several months of study, the board will be presenting recommendations on a number of topics," said Hunt, "including the rising costs of health care, work opportunities for older adults, and management of hazardous wastes. The board will also be discussing the state's recently adopted balanced growth policy which focuses on bringing better jobs to all areas of the state."

Other issues on the agenda include the following:

- the state's welfare policy and ways to increase work opportunities for able-bodied recipients
- alternatives to imprisonment
- continued improvement of education, with special attention to equal access of educational opportunities

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Steve Hampton

Files For Office

Steve Hampton, 202 West Queen Street, has filed as a candidate for Edenton Town Council from the Second Ward. He is the first and only candidate to file thus far. The deadline to file as a candidate is noon on October 5.

Hampton, a local plumbing contractor, is seeking the seat now held by Dr. Allen L. Hornthal. The Second Ward was expanded across Broad Street when the new boundaries were drawn for the return to ward voting.

The candidate is chairman of Edenton Housing Authority. He and his wife, Faye, own and operate Little Rascals Day Care on East Queen Street.

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Unemployment Up

Mrs. Alice W. Bond, manager of the Edenton Employment Security Commission Office, announced today that the unemployment rate for July in Chowan County was 5 per cent. The 1978 annual average for the county was 4 per cent.

The increase has been constant since January with a slight rise each month. While it is true that the unemployment picture reflects seasonal trends it is also true that seasonal trends often take care of persons who normally work in seasonal jobs.

In the past, Chowan County has known an employment picture as follows: peanut processing in the fall and winter, fishing and fish processing in the spring then into farming until peanut processing time again. The seasonal picture in industrial operations is another story.

When the need diminishes so does the work. This happens in boat building, apparel and some wood working industries. This is called "change-over" season and a time when patterns are changed as well as a seasonal change from summer to winter.

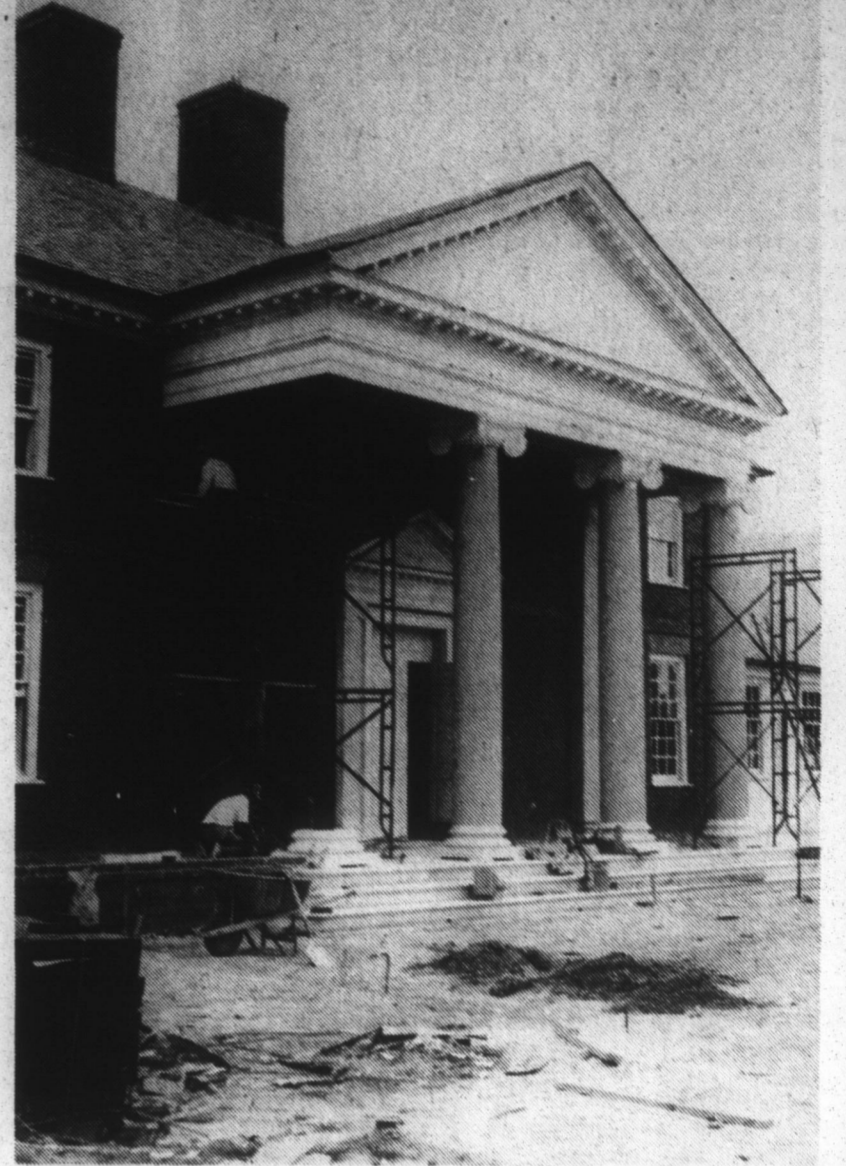
Elected To ECHSA Position

Mrs. Ila G. White of Hertford, nutrition specialist with the Agricultural Extension Service in Northeastern North Carolina, has been elected second vice chairman of Eastern Carolina Health Systems Agency. She was among new governing board officers elected in Greenville Saturday following an all-day seminar on the development of health resources in Eastern North Carolina.

Mrs. Ruth Cherry, an Edgecombe County commissioner, was elected the group's first consumer chairman.

Northeastern North Carolina representatives joining Mrs. Cherry and Mrs. White on the executive committee are: Mayor Donald W. Bryan of Nags Head, who is chairman of the 10-county Albemarle Regional Planning & Development Commission; Rev. H. L. Mitchell of Gates County; Dr. C. B. Jones of Pasquotank County; and Dr. W. K. Wassink of Camden County.

ECHSA is a private, non-profit corporation funded by the U. S.



PRETTY FACADE — Workmen this week completed the installation of four big columns at the front of the new Chowan County Courthouse on Broad Street. The columns were positioned around steel beams, like the one shown at left. Finishing touches are being made to the facility but no completion date has been set.

County Fair Opens Monday

The 1979 edition of the Chowan County Fair opens Monday with an expanded exhibit area which allows for 22 departments of competition. Mobile units have been located adjacent to the main building and renovated to provide the extra exhibit space.

The gates open at 7 P.M. Monday and there will be nightly

fireworks. There will be a 4-H Regional Talent Show, square dancing exhibitions, Senior Citizens Band, and country music.

Tuesday and Wednesday are School Days and two bicycles will be awarded each evening at 7:15 o'clock. Also on these days there will be special entertainment.

Thursday and Friday features include The Buddy Young Show, a group which will appear next month at the N. C. State Fair in Raleigh. Each night shows will be presented at 8 o'clock and 9:30 o'clock.

Fun Fair Amusements of Myrtle Beach, S. C., will be featured on the midway. In addition to concessions and shows there will be 18 thrill rides. Fair officials will be on hand from 3 P.M. to 5 P.M. Sunday and 8 A.M. to 5 P.M. on Monday to accept exhibits. The judging of these exhibits will be from 9 A.M. to 3 P.M. on Tuesday. There are to be removed during the same hours September 30 and October 1.

W. A. (Bill) Perry, chairman of the Chowan County Fair Association of Edward G. Bond Post No. 40, American Legion, and E. C. Toppin, manager, said one of the best fairs in recent years is expected. They said the extra exhibit area will add greatly to the event.

Facility Is Sold

Edenton Village Shopping Center on North Broad Street has been sold to P & G Development Company. The deed was recorded with the Chowan County Register of Deeds on September 11.

The stamps affixed to the deed indicate a sale price of \$690,000.

Earlier the property had been purchased by Durwood M. and Edward Harris of Greenville, owners of Harris Super Market. They negotiated a lease with Pizza Hunt and sold property at the corner of Coke Avenue to Tarheel Bank & Trust Company. Big Value Discount Drugs is the other tenant.

It is understood that the new owners are from Charlotte and have plans for immediate expansion.

Pirates Defeated

The Edenton Aces, 1-1 in the early stages of the season, host the Bertie Falcons at Hicks Field Friday night. This is the final non-conference tilt.

The Aces rebounded from a 9-7 loss to Elizabeth City in the opener with a 48-0 romp over Perquimans County in Hertford last Friday night. The team escaped without further injuries.

Behind Quarterback Henry Drew, the Aces racked up 329 yards rushing. Drew and David Bunch were the big gainers.

The game, however, was mired by 18 turnovers.

The Aces defense held the Pirates to just 23 yards rushing and a total of 63 yards on offense.

The scoring for Edenton went like this: Bunch, 49-yard run; Drew, 21-yard run; Drew, 14-yard run; Privott, 35-yard pass from White; Bembry, 40-yard run; Drew, 35-yard run; White, 43-yard return of intercepted pass; and Harrell, safety.



Mrs. Ila G. White